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A celebration of MU loyalty

Retirees annual luncheon renews campus bonds

here were plenty of familiar faces and even more hugs and handshakes when MU retirees gathered April 28 in the Hearnes Center for the annual retirees luncheon. Some of the same greetings were heard over and over again: "Haven't seen you in a long time." "What have you been doing for excitement lately?"

Colleagues and former coworkers caught up on what has been happening in their lives over the past year, and they reminisced about the old days.

CONTINUING CONTRIBUTIONS

Chancellor Brady Deaton congratulated James E. Creed, left, professor emeritus of veterinary medicine, and Ernest Hilderbrand, right, a retired staff member from the Department of Computing Services, with annual Retiree of the Year awards at an April 28 luncheon at the Rob Hill photo

If you added up all the years of service to MU from the more than 250 in attendance, it almost surely represented several millennia of campus expertise.

Chancellor Brady Deaton congratulated the retirees on their continuing contributions to MU and to the Columbia community. He pointed out that faculty and staff retirees still stay involved in the classroom at Mizzou and continue teaching and research.

"I look around this university and see many retirees so involved in leadership roles," Deaton said. He urged retirees to "stay aware of what's happening in the civic affairs of this state and make sure your voice is heard." The chancellor described the annual luncheon as "a celebration of loyalty."

Kee Groshong, vice chancellor

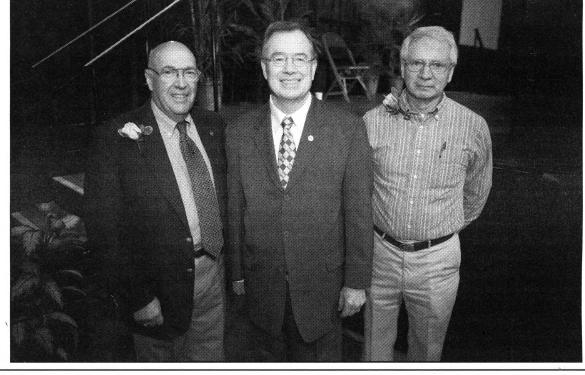
emeritus for administrative services and president of the MU Retirees Association, pointed out some other contributions by retirees. For instance, retirees always make a strong showing in the annual United Way campaign, and provide generous donations to the university.

When the For All We Call Mizzou campaign closed in late 2008, retirees had donated \$29.7 million to the campaign. Groshong said that represented 78 percent of all the money contributed to the campaign by faculty, staff and retirees.

Groshong urged retirees who are not members of the retiree association to consider joining. One primary mission of the association is to support the university. Another mission is to keep track of what's happening to university retirement benefits. "Not much today is happening to them," he said, "and that's good news, given what is happening in many segments of the economy."

The retirees luncheon is always a time to renew old acquaintances, but it's also a time to recognize MU retirees

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MU health officials are monitoring and planning for swine flu outbreak

TAKING ACTION

Stockpiles of antiviral drugs are sufficient

ears of a possible swine I flu pandemic have been grabbing headlines around the world and raising concerns in mid-Missouri. So far, the number of confirmed cases in the United States has been low — 64 laboratory-confirmed cases by April 28 according to the national Centers for Disease Control (CDC) - with no cases found yet in Missouri. The vast majority of those, 45 confirmed cases, are in New York, and two have been found in Kansas.

In an April 27 message to the university community, Chancellor Brady Deaton assured the campus that health officials and emergency planners are monitoring this public health issue, and planning for any necessary action is under way. MU Health Care also has a

pandemic influenza plan in place.

"There have not been any influenza-like illnesses in students or community members for nearly three weeks, so any new illnesses of this nature should be readily recognized and managed according to new health advisories," Deaton's message said.

Additional information about the swine flu outbreak and the latest local updates are being posted as they occur on Mizzou's emergency Web site, MU Alert, at MUAlert.missouri.edu.

Susan Even, director of MU's Student Health Clinic, says the flu outbreak has prompted an increase in phone calls from students, and that clinic nurses are fielding those calls. She says doctors and nurses at the clinic have been asking concerned students about any connection they might have had to Mexico, where public health experts believe the outbreak originated.

Here at MU, "a lot of our

work is monitoring what is happening and being prepared to mobilize a response if that might be required," Even says. She adds that the campus is keeping in close touch with the local health department and with state health officials.

Dr. Michael Cooperstock, professor of child health and an expert on infectious diseases, says this particular virus is thought to spread in the same way that seasonal flu spreads. "Flu viruses are spread from person to person through coughing or sneezing of people with influenza," he says. "Sometimes people may become infected by touching something with flu viruses on it and then touching their mouths or noses."

Cooperstock says that there are two anti-viral medications available to treat swine flu infections in humans: oseltamivir, which is known as Tamiflu, and zanamivir, which is known as Relenza.

"MU Health Care facilities

have supplies of these medicines," Cooperstock says. "The strategic national stockpile has many more doses along with the state stockpile. Both of these sources are expected to be available should we need them."

On Monday, Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon announced that state health officials and the medical community are on high alert, and that the state has enough antiviral drugs in its stockpile to treat 600,000 people. More of the drugs and protective equipment are being released by the federal government.

Cooperstock provides more information about swine flu online at the MU Alert Web site through a link at askdrc.missouri. edu/swine-flu-q-and-a.php.

According to the CDC, people who have been vaccinated for influenza this flu season do not have protection against this strain of swine flu. The center advises people to take several commonsense

precautions to stay healthy:

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or alcoholbased cleaners, especially after you cough or sneeze.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people. Influenza is thought to spread mainly person-to-person.
- If you get sick, stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them.

Even says that faculty, staff and students can stay abreast of any developments by monitoring the MU Alert Web site for updates. The current flu scare might also serve an educational purpose, she says. "We can use this as an opportunity to highlight the precautions people can take any time of the year to minimize respiratory illnesses."

Wipe out e-waste

The electronic revolution has changed the workplace. but the products that make that revolution possible can also end up polluting our environment. Mizzou will be doing its part to help prevent that. MU's Office of Sustainability will join with the Mid-Missouri Solid-Waste Management District to sponsor an E-Waste Collection from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 2 at parking lot RP4 just south of the MU Research Reactor.

At the event, everything from no-longer- used handheld calculators to microwaves, television sets and copy machines may be recycled. The event provides a onestop way to conveniently, safely and sustainably dispose of all electronic materials, such as cell phones, digital cameras, desktop and laptop computers, VCRs and other electronic equipment.

None of the equipment will be exported overseas, and all items will be recycled by Mid-Mo Recycling. There is a \$5 fee for desk-top computers, microwaves, copy machines and television sets. All other electronic items may be donated for free. To reach the collection site, turn west off Providence Road at the Mick Deaver Drive Extension, the first stop light south of Stadium Boulevard. Follow the signs to Research Park Drive and then left into the RP4 lot. With questions, call the Sustainability Office at 573-882-7287 or email burdics@missouri.edu.

Treasures for Tigers

At the end of each school year, as students decamp from MU for the summer, they leave behind tons of perfectly good stuff. Until recently, all those discarded items — from ratty tennis shoes to mini-fridges and electronic gear — went into campus dumpsters and ultimately to the Columbia landfill.

Not any more. For the third year in a row, Mizzou will hold its annual Tiger Treasures Rummage Sale. All those once-discarded items are now collected, sorted and priced, and are sold to public at a rummage sale on the east

side of Memorial Stadium. Last year, the event kept 17 tons of items out of the landfill and raised \$14,000 that was donated to participating United Way agencies.

This year's sale will be held from 7 a.m. to noon, Saturday, May 30. Early birds pay \$5 to get in at 6 a.m. and get first crack at the best bargains. For more information or to volunteer to sort, price and sell items, see www. cf.missouri.edu/tigertreasures.

Mizzou campus will be ready for storm season, weather or not

WEATHER WARRIORS

Student group works to make MU 'storm ready'

n the night of June 11, 2008, an EF4 tornado tore through the Kansas State University campus, uprooting large elm trees, shooting cars across parking lots and causing more than \$20 million in damage to buildings. Thanks to prompt emergency response, no one attending or teaching the 30 summer-school classes there was seriously injured.

As this springtime storm season approaches, a group of MU students in the College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources is helping Mizzou become more storm-ready.

Students in the Department of Soil, Environmental and Atmospheric Sciences are working to make MU the first university in mid-Missouri to become certified as "storm ready" by the National Weather Service.

"Thousands of people are affected every single year by severe weather. Several of these cases could be avoided easily if individuals were better informed and prepared for hazardous situations," says Brittany Perrin, senior atmospheric science major and creator of the Campus Weather Service student organization.

"The University of Missouri is located right in the middle of the country, where the most severe storms are recorded each year.

As a certified storm-ready institution, MU will be able to assist in county, statewide and regional community outreach, including educational weather seminars and alert systems. Fellow atmospheric-science majors and Campus Weather Service members Justin Titus and Ben Herzog assisted Perrin with MU's certification.

The purpose of the Campus Weather Service, a branch of the MU Meteorology Club, is to introduce an interactive experience to students through the production of two daily campus weather forecasts, which are posted on the organization's Web site, as well as audio forecasts for local radio stations.

Alumna's \$1 million gift will enhance HES programs

SOCIETY'S NEEDS

Donor is financial services industry leader

recent gift to MU's

College of Human Environmental
Sciences will fund the Department of Textile and Apparel Management, the Office for Financial Success and the college's Dean's Fund for Excellence. Chancellor Brady Deaton announced April 22 that Catherine Allen, an MU alumna and financial services industry leader, has committed \$1 million of her estate to the college.

"Catherine Allen cares deeply about MU and the College of Human Environmental Sciences," says Stephen Jorgensen, college's dean. "She recognizes that society has great need for the teaching, research and service of this college. Allen is a committed, visionary alumna. Throughout the years, she has provided a wealth of leadership and wisdom to MU."

The Office of Financial Success is part of the college's Personal Financial Planning Department, one of the premier personal financial planning programs in the nation. The department contributes to the financial well-being of families across the state and the nation. The Department of Textile and Apparel Management also is nationally recognized. Its graduates prepare for leadership in the soft-goods industry and the international marketplace, and the department's faculty members advise policymakers on global textile and apparel issues.

"This generous gift will provide resources for the college to meet its greatest needs and seize opportunities to serve," says Chancellor Brady Deaton. "As a whole, HES touches every aspect of our lives. Its six units cover the basic human needs of food, clothing, shelter, finances, family and community."

A native Missourian, Allen graduated from MU in 1968 with a degree in home economics. She was founding chief executive of the financial services industry consortium BITS.

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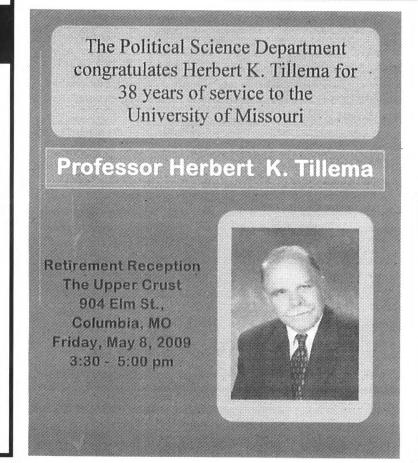
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Concerts & Plays

Thursday, April 30

STUDENT ENSEMBLE **RECITAL:** Hitt Street Harmony will perform at p.m. in Whitmore Recital Hall. Suggested donation: \$5.

THEATER SERIES: William Shakespeare's comedy, Twelfth Night, will be presented at 8 p.m. today to May 2 and at 2 p.m. May 3 in the Rhynsburger Theatre. For ticket information call 882-7529.

Friday, May 1

STUDENT ENSEMBLE

RECITAL: The Odyssey Chamber Series will present its season finale at 7 p.m. at Columbia's First Baptist Church, 1112 E. Broadway. Suggested donation: \$5.

Saturday, May 2

STUDENT ENSEMBLES:

• The Women's Chorale will perform at 1:30 p.m. at Columbia's First Baptist Church.

• The Concert Chorale will perform at 4 p.m. at Columbia's First Baptist Church. Suggested donation: \$5.
UNIVERSITY CONCERT

SERIES: Jungle Fantasy will be presented at 7 p.m. in

Jesse Auditorium. For ticket information, call 882-3781.

Sunday, May 3

UNIVERSITY CONCERT

SERIES: The Russian National Ballet Theatre performs Sleeping Beauty at 7 p.m. in Jesse Auditorium. For ticket information, call 882-3781.

Tuesday, May 5

UNIVERSITY CONCERT SERIES: Rock and Roll Hall of Fame member Bonnie Raitt will perform at 7 p.m. in

Jesse Auditorium. For ticket information, call 882-3781. Saturday, May 9

UNIVERSITY CONCERT

SERIES: Missoula Children's Theatre presents The Little Mermaid at 2 and 7 p.m. in Jesse Auditorium. For ticket information, call 882-3781.

Exhibits ANTHROPOLOGY MUSEUM:

The museum, located in Swallow Hall, is open from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays with extended hours until 6 p.m. Wednesdays featuring free walk-in tours on the half hour from 4-5:30 p.m.

MUSEUM OF ART & ARCHAEOLOGY

The Fine Art of Living: Luxury Objects From the East and West"

Narrative of Process and Time in the Prints of Jörg Schmeisser," considers Schmeisser's exploration of time and process in individual prints and in the context of series will run through May 31.

• "Pre-Columbian Textile Art: Design that Speaks Today" showcases masterpieces of Peruvian weaving and is on display from May 9-Aug. 2.

The museum, located in Pickard Hall, is open from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and from noon-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. **STATE HISTORICAL**

SOCIETY

The St. Louis Gemini Story" details contributions by workers at McDonnell Aircraft Corp. in St. Louis to NASA's moon project.

 "Keith Crown: A Retrospective" celebrates the nationally known watercolor artist's 90th birthday in an exhibit that runs through June 5.

Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday to Friday and a.m.-3:15 p.m. Saturday.

BINGHAM GALLERY

'Graduating Senior Art Exhibition" will be on display through April 30. A reception will be held from 5-7 p.m. April 24.

The gallery, located in the Fine Arts Building, is open from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. weekdays.

ELLIS LIBRARY: Paintings by Camdenton, Mo., artist Gary St. Ivany is on display through May 15 in Ellis Library's Bookmark Café.

THESIS EXHIBIT: "The New Face of China," featuring recent paintings by graduate student Ming Zhou, will be on display through May 15 at the Orr Street Studio Gallery. The gallery, located at 106 Órr St. in Columbia, is open from noon-3 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.

Lectures & Seminars

Saturday, May 2

SATURDAY MORNING

SCIENCE: Sybill Amelon, a post-doctoral associate in forestry, will present "Got Insects? Environmentally Helpful Night Patrollers' from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the Life Sciences Center's Monsanto Auditorium.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

ROUNDTABLE: Friends, family members and colleagues of watercolorist Keith Crown will present "Travels with Keith Crown: A Roundtable Discussion of the Life and Art of an Extraordinary Painter" at 2 p.m. in the State Historical Society's main gallery on the east side of Ellis Library.

Tuesday, May 5

FOOD FOR 21ST **CENTURY SEMINAR:**

Steven Segal, professor of medical pharmacology and physiology, will

present "Electrical and Calcium Signaling Along Microvascular Endothelium: Integral Roles in Blood Flow Control" at 4 p.m. in 105 Agricultural Engineering.

Wednesday, May 6

PHYSICS & ASTRONOMY

LECTURE: The "Cosmic Conversations" lecture series presents "Our Sun" at p.m. in 120 Physics Building followed by a telescope viewing, weather permitting, from Laws Observatory.

Thursday, May 7

NUTRITION & FITNESS

SEMINAR: Daniel Lane will present "Hypothalamic Regulation of Food Intake and Energy Expenditure" at 4 p.m. in Acuff Auditorium, MA217 Medical Sciences Building

Films

Friday, May 1

MUSEUM FILM: The 1948 classic Anna Karenina will be shown at 7 p.m. in 106 Pickard Hall.

MSA/GPC FILM: The Curious Case of Benjamin Button will be shown at 7 and 9:30 p.m. today and tomorrow at Memorial Union's Wrench Auditorium. Admission: \$1.

Wednesday, May 6

MSA/GPC FILM: Defiance will be shown at 8 p.m. at Memorial Union's Wrench Auditorium, Admission: \$1.

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for the contributions they continue to make in their community. The Retiree of the Year Award is presented each year to a retired faculty and staff member. The award honors their continuing contributions made since retirement.

The faculty award winner this year is James Creed, professor emeritus of veterinary medicine. The staff retiree award winner for 2009 is Ernest Hilderbrand, who retired from the Department of Computing Services.

Creed, who retired in 1992, continues to stay involved in veterinary medical organizations. For the last several years, Creed has headed a committee for the Western States Veterinary Conference which organizes speakers, seminars and continuing education presentations. He has done similar work for the American Veterinary Medical Association's conference.

Although Creed likes to stay in the background, he is active in the local Optimist Club, where he has held every office, and he sits on the High Council of the Mormon Church. Other behindthe-scenes good deeds include his work with the Boy Scouts, in which he helps young men with Eagle Scout projects, and he often speaks to youth groups about pet care and health.

Hilderbrand retired as associate director of Computing Services in 2000. Since then, he has put his expertise to good use, helping the retirees association develop and maintain a database that enhances the group's outreach and efficiency. His work

with the Kiwanis Club, Habitat for Humanity and Cleanup Columbia is well known.

A special project of Hilderbrand's in recent years has been his work with the Midwest Wood Workers Association, where he is chair of the Toy Project. This past year, he and fellow members built and assembled 2,500 toys that were given to day care centers, the Ronald McDonald House and other local children's service agencies.

Ballot buy-in

ELECTION REFORM

Study finds voter support for some changes in election procedures

any state governments are considering adopting election reforms to increase voter turnout and reduce fraud, but election officials are concerned about potential negative effects. A recent survey conducted by an MU professor reveals that the U.S. public supports several voting reforms, including early voting and photo identification requirements. "As more states consider adopting election reforms, it's important to evaluate the public's opinion," says David Konisky, policy research scholar at the MU Institute of Public Policy. "People want to see more voter participation, but not at the expense of the integrity of the election process. This is challenging, because many reforms that are thought to make voting easier also are perceived to increase the risk of voter fraud." Konisky, assistant professor in MU's Harry S Truman School of Public Affairs, surveyed Americans about their opinion of four voter reforms: early voting, photo ID requirements, vote by mail and election day registration. Americans expressed strong approval for early voting and photo identification requirements, but less approval for mail voting and election-day registration. Almost half of the people surveyed believe that those reforms will increase fraud. People gave the highest approval rating for photo ID requirements, which currently are used only in a few states.

"We found an important commonality in opinions of all four reforms — a majority of the public does not believe that any of them will advantage one party more than the others," Konisky says. "This is interesting because the debates about election reforms are incredibly politicized. Election officials and political party members, not surprisingly, worry about the partisan effects of voting reforms, but the public doesn't seem to be as concerned." The survey was completed as part of the 2008 Cooperative Congressional Election Survey, a national survey of 32,800 respondents conducted through the collaboration of several universities. The survey was administered in the fall of 2008.

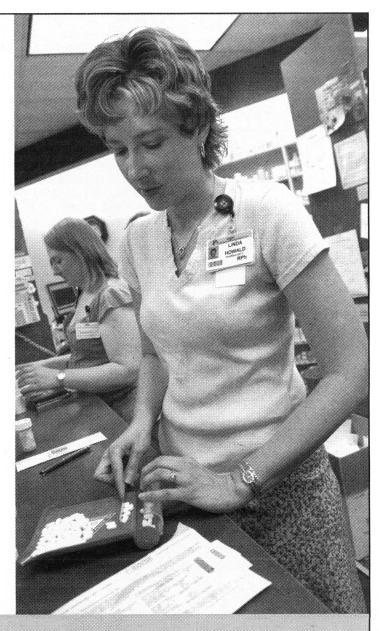
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