Anthropologists Johanson, Leakey to lecture

Two leading anthropologists with conflicting views — Mary Leakey and Donald C. Johanson — will give separate lectures at WU later this month.

Johanson’s theories about where the fossils he has unearthed belong in man’s family tree have put him in direct conflict with Leakey and her son Richard, probably the best-known anthropologists in the world today.

The views of the Leakeys, who believe that man developed much earlier than Johanson suggests, are presented in detail in Missing Links: The Hunt for Earliest Man, by John Reader, a photographer who spent considerable time at the Leakeys’ camps in Kenya and Tanzania.

Mary Leakey will deliver the seventh annual Mildred Trotter Lecture at 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 23, at Edison Theatre in Mallinckrodt Center. Her talk will be on the topic “The History and Meaning of the Discoveries at Olduvai Gorge and Laetoli.”

Johanson, author with science writer Maitland Edey of Lucy: The Beginnings of Humankind, will speak on “Current Perspectives of Mankind’s Evolutionary Past” at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 31, in Graham Chapel. His lecture also is free and open to the public.

Johanson’s book is about his discovery of a fossil skeleton of a prehuman, upright walking humanoid — nicknamed Lucy — in the northern part of the Great Rift Valley in Ethiopia in 1974. Lucy, Johanson contends, is some three-and-a-half million years old.

Johanson and the Leakeys have been accused by their critics of drawing conclusions that fit their own preconceived notions. In Lucy, Leakey admits to a number of instances in which he had to change his mind about conclusions. He explains in his book how he tried to confront some of his own biases:

“There is a strong urge to learn more about where the human line started. If you are working back at around three million, as I was, that is very seductive, because you begin to get an idea that that is where homo did start. You begin straining your eyes to find homo traits in fossils of that age.” Reader notes in Missing Links that Johanson and Leakey found evidence in each other’s fossils to support their own theories about human evolution.

With the same fossils to hand, one or [the] other of them presumably would claim his beliefs doubly affirmed, and the quantitative value of the fossils from two widely separated sites might persuade many that the evidence substantiated those beliefs.” Reader wrote.

Mortar Board symposium explores careers, workplace morals

“Escape From The Ivory Tower: Life Beyond College” is the topic of the Second Annual Mortar Board Symposium March 23-25. Five panel discussions, which are free and open to the public, will touch on such subjects as morals in the working world, dual-career relationships, unconventional career paths and campus politics.

On Tuesday, March 23, a discussion of “Trends in Campus Politics: Conservatism or Apostasy?” will begin at 4 p.m. in Elliot Hall Lounge. Panelists will include Henry W. Berger, associate professor of history; Robert H. Salisbury, professor of political science; William C. Sullivan, a law student; and Lawrence B. Jackson, assistant professor of political science, who will moderate the session.

At 7:30 p.m., three couples, including Linda B. Salamon, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and her husband George Salamon, a reporter at the St. Louis Business Journal, will speak on “Two Career Relationships” in the Ann Whitney Olin Women’s Bldg. Lounge.

On Wednesday, March 24, five WU alumnae will discuss unusual career changes in “Unconventional Career Paths: Surprise Ending” at 7:30 p.m. in the Ann Whitney Olin Women’s Bldg. Lounge. Panelists will be Yvette Kirby, Hannah Roth, Sandy Greenberg, Gail Jackson and Bonnie Miller.

On Thursday, March 25, recent WU graduates Lisa Anderson, Sheila Lewis, David Herschberger and William Black will discuss “Morals in the Work Place,” at 11 a.m. in Lambert Lounge, Mallinckrodt Center.

At 3 p.m. Chancellor William H. Danforth will be joined by Burton M. Wheeler, professor of English and religious studies, Christopher J. Loving, professor of American Government and religious studies, and Yvette Kirby to discuss College Education: Can You Take It With You? in the Gargoyles, Mallinckrodt Center.

Robert H. Salisbury

Salisbury named to Souers chair in government

Mrs. Sidney W. Souers has announced plans to establish the Sidney W. Souers Professorship of American Government at WU in honor of her late husband.

The gift will come from the Sidney W. and Sylvia N. Souers Charitable Trust, which was established at Admiral Souers’ death in 1973.

Admiral Souers was chief executive officer of the General American Life Insurance Co., St. Louis, a position he assumed in 1954 after retirement from naval service.

The Admiral’s naval assignments included assistant chief of naval intelligence in charge of plans and later, deputy chief of naval intelligence. He was named the first director of the Central Intelligence Agency and then became executive secretary of the newly created National Security Council during the Truman administration.

The Sidney W. Souers Professorship of American Government will be occupied by Robert H. Salisbury, professor of political science. Salisbury came to WU in 1955, served as department chairman, 1966 to 1971, and was director of the Center for the Study of Public Affairs, 1974-1976. A nationally recognized author and lecturer, Salisbury has been active in many political science organizations and last year served as vice president of the American Political Science Association.

Chancellor William H. Danforth said the endowed professorship will be "a most fitting and enduring tribute to Admiral Souers and his accomplishments as a leader in government and business. We are deeply grateful to Mrs. Souers for her generous support of Washington University."

"The selection of Professor Salisbury to occupy this new chair is significant because, like Admiral Souers, he also has a long-term interest in government and is a national leader among scholars and teachers in his field," Danforth noted.

This work on paper by Dennis Cope (M Arch ’75) was among the tributes set up in honor of former students of Leslie J. Lacy, professor of architecture, for the celebration March 1 of his 25th year as teacher of design at the WU School of Architecture. Cope’s piece and those of many other WU architecture alumni, were displayed at Givens Hall until recently. They will be bound and presented as a testimonial to Lacy.
Prison study shows that illness is linked to caste system

‘Life is an incurable disease,’ grumbled Abraham Cowley, the 17th-century English poet. The work of a WU sociologist suggests that sentiment is particularly relevant to life in prison.

Wornie Reed, assistant professor of sociology at WU, has been studying prison health conditions since 1973, and his results supply evidence that social factors — especially a prisoner’s standing in the ‘criminal caste system’ — can have grave consequences for personal health and well-being.

In a Journal of Prison Health article published recently, Reed linked incarceration, social standing and health care in a vicious cycle. ‘Little attention has been given to the relationship between social structural aspects of a prison and problems of health,’ he said. ‘This unnatural situation (incarceration) may affect both the occurrence of health problems and the efficacy and efficiency of available medical care.’

Reed spent nine months interviewing 517 of the approximately 700 prisoners serving time at the Massachusetts Correctional Institution at Norfolk and discovered an inordinate amount of health problems, despite the fact that ‘on the surface this prison appeared to present an ideal facility for medical care of inmates.’

Norfolk, at the time of Reed’s study, contained a hospital with working operating rooms, a physician and nurses on duty all day, back-up medical personnel on duty at night; some 16 medical specialists available for weekly visits; and a full-time resident dentist. Yet, Reed found a high underreporting of complaints about the inadequacy of the medical situation.

And they were more than just idle complaints. Reed found very real symptoms such as abdominal pains, eye and ear infections, pains in the vicinity of the heart, diarrhea, headaches and a number of ‘psychoemotional complaints’ occurring two to five times as frequently within the big house as outside.

This shower of symptoms is especially hard to understand considering that prisoners place a high premium on being tough, ‘uptight’ and close-mouthed.

They call this attitude ‘doing your own time.’ The prison’s social outcasts, I suspect, are the ones who are clogging up the medical system with complaints,’ Reed said. ‘The higher ranking prisoners almost definitely have fewer health problems.

The social structure is fascinating in itself. The highest ranking citizens are called “top killers” — those accused of killing a police officer during a bank heist. The man on top of the totem pole at Norfolk had been convicted of killing a policeman in one of Boston’s famous Brooks robberies.

On the bottom rung of the ladder are rapists and child molesters. ‘That could have been my mother or my kid’ was the reason often given to Reed by prisoners who make rapists the dregs of prison society.

The ‘working class’ of prison society is made up of those convicted of breaking and entering. An exception is made for so-called wife-killers — people who commit first-offense crimes of passion. Prison society reserves a special limbo for these amateur criminals; in effect, they become nonpersons.

The whole purpose of these inmate social codes, Reed explained, ‘is to reestablish some means of affirming self-worth, just as society at large forms its own social codes for identity. As in the society outside, where lower socioeconomic groups in general suffer the highest incidence of disease, so do the lower ranking prisoners.

Another factor that affects health care is the prison as a form of boredom-induced hypochondria, enforced by the claustrophobia of iron bars. A number of prisoners informed Reed that since he had been behind bars they had become more introspective and sensitive to their bodies. Small physical irregularities were perceived as important illnesses. Reed theorizes that prison hypochondria may also be influenced by lack of privacy and fear for one’s safety. ‘Prison generates an excessive amount of illness, and it also germinates a maladapted response to it,’ he said.

Reed will publish much of his research in a book entitled Being Sick Inside: Health Consequences of Imprisonment, due for release by Ivaning Press in March. Therein, Reed suggests several improvements in the ways the prisons now deal with health care.

One is to provide more psychological counseling for prison life as preventative medicine. He also suggests making the medical facility more credible to the prisoners by separating it physically from the prison administration. Finally, Reed would rotate prison medical staff regularly, thus preventing staff members from ‘burning out’ under these stressful situations.
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2 p.m. Foreign Language Days Panel Discussion, "Cavers and Foreign Languages," John Biggs, Asst. Prof., College of Letters and Science.

4 p.m. Department of Chemistry Seminar, "Stability of 3D Copper Complexes with Different Linkers," Galina Simonyan, associate professor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Saturday, March 20
10 a.m. Resume Writing Workshop sponsored by University College and Career Planning and Placement Services. 10 a.m. for students. 20 1st floor.

5 p.m. Department of Geography Seminar, "The Globalization of the West," with Frank Gomez, U.S. deputy assistant secretary of state for public affairs. Patrick Lecerf, moderator. Creelman Hall, room 221. Tickets are $6.50 general admission; $3.50 for WU students. 4:15 p.m.}

Al Kemp

2 p.m. Department of Chemical Engineering Seminar, "Nanocrystallites — The Formation of Nanoparticles," Josten Bass, associate professor, chemistry, Ohio State U. 511 McClennen. (3:30 p.m. coffee hour, 511 Guadernier.)

4 p.m. School of Architecture Panel Discussion, "Jenny Sterling’s Recent Work — A Critique," Steven Holl, New York architect; Robert Salisbury, WU prof. of political science; and Henry Berger, WU prof. of history. Cosponsored by the WU chapter of the American Institute of Architects and Student Union. Mudd Hall Courtroom.

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Performing Arts

Friday, March 19
8 p.m. Edson Theatre Series, "The Devil's Double," screening series. Tickets are $6.50 general admission; $4.50 for area students and WU faculty and staff; and $1 for WU students. 4:15 p.m. 8 p.m. Edson Theater. Tickets available at Edson Theatre box office, 889-6543. (Also 8 Sat., March 27, and 8 and 10 p.m. Fri., March 26.)

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8 p.m. Foreign Language Days Panel Discussion, "Le desmo de Dos Pedros, by contemporary Colombian playwright Enrique Souttoz, screening series. WU undergraduate Spanish students and directed by Phil Keefe. Cosponsored by the WU chapter of the Society for International Development and Student Union. Mudd Hall Courtroom.

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Tuesday, March 22
3:30 p.m. Men’s Tennis, WU vs. 111. Tech. 4:30 p.m. Women’s Tennis, WU vs. 111. Tech. 5:30 p.m. Men’s Tennis, WU vs. 111. Tech. 7:30 p.m. Women’s Tennis, WU vs. 111. Tech.

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Exhibitions

"Books from the Last Library." Medical Library Annex, Olin Library, S. Taylor. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays. Through April 4.

"15th-Century Books and Manuscripts." Special Collections, fifth floor, Olin Library. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays. Through May 2.

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Sports

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Calendare Deadline

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