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Siteman Cancer Center earns NCI designation

The Alvin J. Siteman Cancer Center at Washington University School of Medicine and Barnes-Jewish Hospital (BJH) has received national recognition by becoming a National Cancer Institute-designated Cancer Center.

The Siteman Cancer Center is the only institution to receive National Cancer Institute (NCI) designation in Missouri and within a 240-mile radius of St. Louis. The milestone recognizes the breadth, depth and balance of activities by researchers, clinicians and staff seeking to advance cancer knowledge, increase cancer screenings and ultimately to improve cancer care.

Siteman Cancer Center comprises the combined cancer-related programs of BJH and the medical school and is named in

recognition of benefactors Alvin J. and Ruth Siteman. The NCI designation comes in the form of a special federal Cancer Center grant given to the medical school for basic and clinical cancer research and cancer-prevention programs.

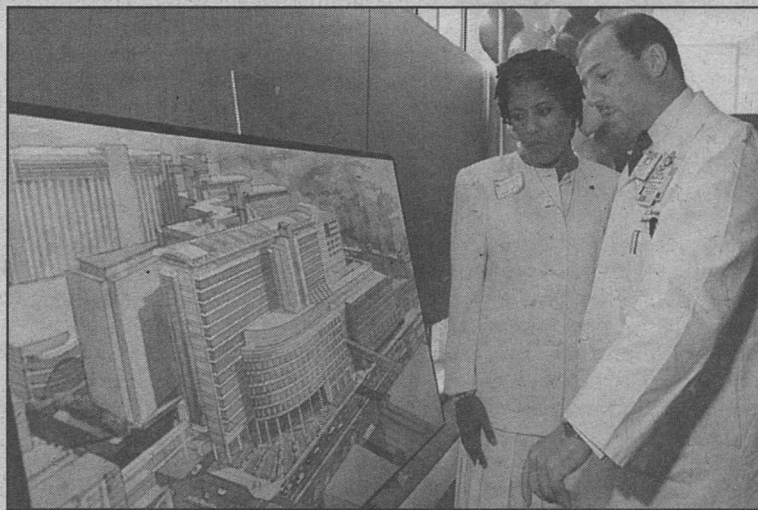
"We are deeply honored to achieve this distinction for the extraordinary work of the researchers, clinicians and staff affiliated with Siteman Cancer Center," said Timothy J. Eberlein, M.D., director of Siteman Cancer Center. "Receiving NCI designation is a tremendous acknowledgement of our ability to make a difference in the fight against cancer in the St. Louis community and beyond."

As part of the NCI designation announced last week, Siteman Cancer Center will be the

beneficiary of a new \$4 million federal grant to the School of Medicine. The grant will facilitate further multidisciplinary research, including clinical research and clinical trials that often occur within BJH or Siteman Cancer Center clinical spaces. This new NCI grant is in addition to the more than \$80 million in cancer research and related training grants currently held by the school's more than 240 researchers and physician-scientists affiliated with the Siteman Cancer Center.

NCI designation is based on the center's ability to address complicated questions related to the cause and progression of cancer through the school's excellent programs in basic and clinical research. New informa-

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Timothy J. Eberlein, M.D., director of the Siteman Cancer Center at the School of Medicine and Barnes-Jewish Hospital, and cancer survivor Gwendolyn Randall look at an artist's rendering of the Siteman Cancer Center at the announcement of its becoming a National Cancer Institute-designated Cancer Center.

University Council Lokken, Thach are appointed by Wrighton

By KEVIN M. KILEY

Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton has appointed Pamela S. Lokken and Robert E. Thach, Ph.D., to University Council, the University's senior leadership group advising the chancellor.

Lokken is director of governmental and community relations;



Lokken

Thach serves as dean of the graduate school and professor of biology in Arts & Sciences and of biochemistry and molecular biophysics in the School of Medicine.



Thach

The council now includes 23 academic leaders and managers of the administrative and support areas vital to education, research and service missions of the University. The council provides a mechanism for communication and informed decision-making by the individuals responsible for the University's key academic and administrative units.

Wrighton said Lokken is an important addition to the council because of the University-wide effort to enhance its community involvement.

"Federal, state and local government and community relations are vital interests of the University," Wrighton said. "When our community is thriving, we

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Sophomore biology major Stacy Hood (right) moves into Small Group Housing Aug. 16 with help from friend Rachel Narvaez. Small Group Housing, a new concept on campus this year, is designed to blur the lines between academic and residential life. Below, students move in last week at the South 40.

Students roll back onto campus

As campus and the South 40 fills with students, there will be new faces in the crowd, the accomplished Class of 2005.

The first-year students — who hail from all over the world and represent 23 countries, 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico — arrived Aug. 16 and have been busy unpacking, learning their way around campus and gearing up for the fall semester. Their classes began Wednesday.

Many in the select group of 1,280 were academic leaders, officers in student government and participants in extracurricular activities and athletics in high school. Collectively, the incoming class has received almost 1,974 special awards and recognitions.

In addition:

• Approximately 881 students



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Bad weather forces Fossett to end quest

By DONNA KETTENBACH

Steve Fossett safely landed his Solo Spirit balloon in southern Brazil Aug. 17 after thunderstorms forced him to end his fifth attempt at the First Solo Balloon Flight Round The World (RTW).

Fossett is a University trustee and 1967 graduate of the Olin School of Business' MBA program.

After 10 hours of flying through thunderstorms, turbulence, lightning, snow and ice, Fossett's team at Mission Control in North Brookings Hall decided it was best to bring the balloon down.

"It made for a very stressful day for the pilot," Chief Meteorologist Bob Rice said.

Fossett also was headed into a stormy weather system that blocked safe entry into the South Atlantic Ocean, Rice said.

At a news conference the morning of the landing, Mission Control Director and longtime Fossett friend Joe Ritchie said, "There comes a point, when, even by round the world balloonists' standards, the risk is too high. To attempt the Atlantic, Steve is faced with three solid days flying over a front, and the icing risks, especially over the ocean, is not something we want to play around with. So he is going to go ahead and land."

Chancellor Mark Wrighton, part of the news conference, echoed Ritchie's sentiments.

"We're grateful for learning of Steve's safety, but we're disappointed that he didn't make it," Wrighton said. "Washington University students, faculty and staff were very much involved in the mission, and we appreciate the opportunity to be part of it."

Solo Spirit landed south of Bage, Brazil, close to the Uruguay border, about 7 a.m. CDT. Fossett phoned Project Director Tim Cole at Mission Control from the

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American Indian child welfare to be assisted via GWB study

By ANN NICHOLSON

A study conducted by the George Warren Brown School of Social Work's (GWB) Kathryn M. Buder Center for American Indian Studies will assist American Indian communities in better accessing much needed federal funding for adoption and foster care services.

The "Tribal-State Title IV-E Intergovernmental Agreements: Facilitating Tribal Access to Federal Resources" study — which is part of a major national project on American Indian child welfare — also has contributed to proposed new federal legislation.

"The study is the first to document current tribal-state agreements and overall barriers in tribal access to one of the largest federal sources of funding for child welfare," said Eddie Brown, D.S.W., associate dean for community affairs and director of the Buder Center. "Our research found that although Congress intended that IV-E funding serve all eligible children, American Indian children under tribal court jurisdiction are denied equal access to this crucial funding."

"The lack of a uniform standard for tribal-state agreements and the inability of tribes to enter into IV-E agreements directly with the federal government also affect the delivery of appropriate and effective services to the thousands of eligible children in Indian country each year."

The study supports a proposed bipartisan amendment to Title IV-E of the Social Security Act, which would allow direct funding from the federal government to tribal communities. U.S. Sen. Thomas A. Daschle (D-S.D.) is sponsoring the Senate version (S. 550) and U.S. Rep. David Camp (R-Mich.) is sponsoring the House version (H.R. 2335).

"The amendment acknowledges the goals of tribal sovereignty and self-determination, recognizing the preference of tribes to work directly with the federal government," said Gordon E. Limb, Ph.D., lecturer and assistant director of the Buder Center. "The legislation opens up access to those tribal communities that currently don't have state agreements. But it also allows the 75 American Indian tribal governments with IV-E agreements in 14 states the choice of continuing agreements with those state governments."

In addition to Brown and Limb, other researchers for the

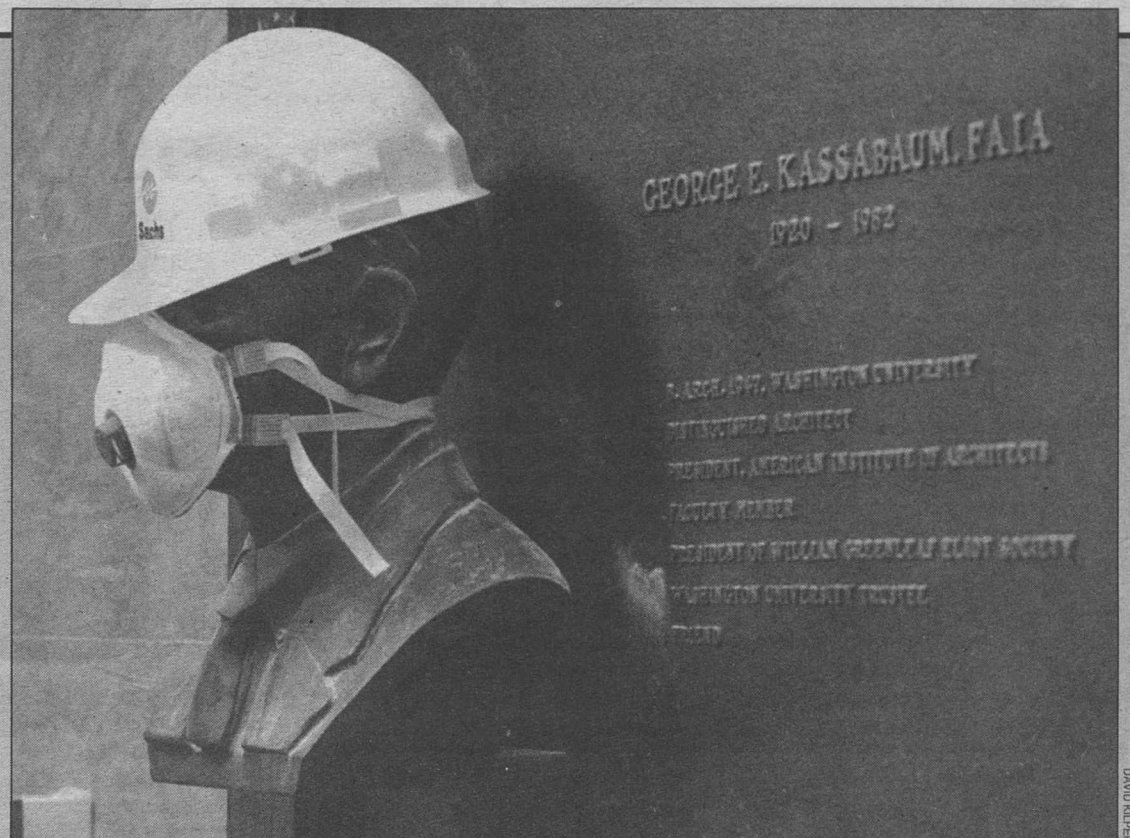
Buder study were Leslie Scheuler Whitaker, MSW '89, a senior evaluator for Philliber Research Associates and doctoral student at GWB, and Buder scholars Chey A. Clifford, MSW '00, and second-year student Ric Munoz.

The IV-E study documents the history of child-welfare legislation for American Indians, gives an overview of funding sources, discusses current governmental relationships and notes that state governments are assuming primary responsibility for IV-E eligibility determination and foster care maintenance. The project included not only the monumental task of gathering and examining the numerous tribal-state agreements, but also involved focus groups and telephone surveys with tribal and state officials.

The study recommends means of strengthening provisions of IV-E agreements, including allowing tribal communities better access to funding for training and administrative costs. Since direct federal funding is uncertain, the study also calls for the development of a model IV-E funding agreement for consideration by tribes and states.

The National Indian Children's Alliance (NICA) sponsored the study, which is the first of several to be conducted by the Buder Center. The Casey Family Programs, the National Indian Child Welfare Association, Brown and four other nationally renowned American Indian social work experts formed the alliance last year. The goal is to improve child welfare services for American Indians, conduct national research and influence policy. In September, the Buder Center will host an authors' forum of the NICA research groups to evaluate and discuss projects.

"Child welfare policymakers and practitioners often lack accurate and up-to-date information about the child welfare needs of American Indian children when they develop new programming, laws and funding proposals," Brown said. "The result is that improvements in child welfare services often do not reach American Indian children. The studies conducted by the Buder Center and the other NICA research groups will provide accurate and reliable data for NICA to advocate for the needs of American Indian children and become an important voice in the public policy dialogue on child welfare."



Pardon our dust During this summer's renovating of Givens Hall, home of the School of Architecture, workmen took a humerous extra step to protect a bust of the late George E. Kassabaum, a distinguished architecture school alumnus and former William Greenleaf Eliot Society president and Board of Trustees member, from dust and debris caused by the construction.

Aged rats show biological clock problems

By TONY FITZPATRICK

One of the problems of the aged is getting a good night's sleep. Often, the elderly sleep fitfully through the night only to be overcome by drowsiness during the day and nodding off then. A general feeling of tiredness and irritability goes hand-in-hand with this condition.

Now, Erik Herzog, Ph.D., assistant professor of biology in Arts & Sciences, and colleagues from France and the University of Virginia have found this problem may be traced to a faulty biological clock — at least in aged rats.

Herzog examined cells involved in the generation of circadian rhythms — the 24-hour cycles in things like alertness and hormone levels. In collaboration with Fabienne Aujard, Ph.D., of France's Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, and Gene Block, Ph.D., professor of biology at the University of Virginia, Herzog found that the electrical activity of the clock cells in aged rats was not regular compared with that of young and middle-aged rats.

"In the case of the aged rats, many of them showed fragmented behavioral rhythms," Herzog said. "They were still rhythmic, but showed bouts of activity when the rats normally would have rested

and inactivity when the young animals were active.

"So, the rats, like elderly humans, took naps when they would have normally been active. Remarkably, the cells in their biological clock reflected this behavior."

The research is supported by the National Institutes of Health and will be published in the forthcoming issue of the journal *Neuroscience*.

Herzog cannot surmise exactly what role aging is playing in this irregularity, but he doesn't think it's a result of the circadian rhythm network breaking down.

"The deterioration of rhythmicity would appear to be a single cell property," he said. "The individual pacemaker cells appear to be losing their ability to mark time. We could argue that this is evidence of aging acting at the level of single cells."

The hub of circadian rhythm in rats, humans and other mammals is found in the suprachiasmatic nucleus (SCN), a part of the hypothalamus that can be found on the bottom of the brain just above the roof of your mouth where your optic nerves cross. There are roughly 10,000 cells in this nucleus. The timekeeping mechanism in these cells depends on daily cycles in gene activity. The first of these genes identified in mammals was called *CLOCK*, for

"circadian locomotor output cycles kaput."

The first thing that Herzog and his collaborators have established in studying this region is that SCN neurons can act as autonomous pacemakers, keeping time without input from other cells. While the SCN is required for circadian rhythmicity, there are other circadian oscillators in the body and in different parts of the brain. However, without the SCN, other circadian rhythms disappear.

Herzog and his colleagues study rat SCN cells in vitro — outside the body — and hope to gain knowledge of how these cells normally work and what happens in cases of jet lag, shift work, blindness, fever, aging and other conditions that appear to alter our daily schedules.

"We think that there is a master clock in the SCN, and many 'slave' clocks in the brain and body," Herzog said. "The 'slave' clocks may receive daily synchronizing signals from the master, but when they get out of phase, it takes several days to catch up. That very well may be happening with jet lag. It's not the SCN that gets out of whack in a different environment — for instance, after flying to Paris — but other structures inside and outside of the brain."

Fossett

Solo Spirit touches down safely in Bage, Brazil

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landing site, saying he was in good condition except for minor bruises and scrapes, after the

capsule had dragged for about a mile after touching down.

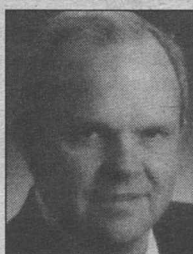
The balloon's envelope caught on a row of trees in a farming field. Cole flew to South America to meet with Fossett, recover the balloon and capsule and ship them back to the United States.

"We had a really bad day yesterday," Fossett said via phone

at another news conference later that morning. "I knew I was going to go through isolated thunderstorms, but it turned out to be a minefield of thunderstorms."

Before Aug. 16-17, Fossett encountered good weather during his 12-day flight. Other aspects of his journey were not optimal, though. After the launch was delayed six or seven hours due to ground winds, he missed a favorable trajectory, setting him on a course of slow winds. Fossett traveled between 19-70 mph, compared to a rate of up to 125 mph during his fourth RTW attempt, in July 1998.

A question of whether Fossett had enough oxygen for his RTW trip came up early in the flight. He had used five liters per minute instead of the expected two liters per minute because a pre-launch cold had slowed his acclimatization process. With the help of Marcus E. Raichle, M.D., at the School of Medicine and Robert B. Schoene, M.D., at University of Washington, Fossett cut his oxygen to the original dosage.



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STEVE FOSSETT (LEFT)

His altitude averaged about 22,000 feet, although he ascended to 27,000 feet to cross the Andes Mountains.

Fossett set three records on this flight. He now holds the duration record for the longest solo balloon flight: 12 days, 12 hours, 57 minutes; and is the first solo balloonist to cross South America by balloon and to cross five oceans.

For nearly two weeks, Mission Control was staffed around the clock with students, faculty, staff and members of Fossett's operations team. At times, it was a hub of activity; at others, it mirrored the winds — quiet and slow. The media center hosted four news conferences, received thousands of calls from local,

national and international media and used translators to work with the South American press and aviation authorities.

Millions of people worldwide followed the flight on the Web site (solospirit.wustl.edu), which featured live Web cams of the launch site and of Mission Control, a listserv, frequent updates on Fossett's progress, twice-daily flight summaries and an array of photos.

The site had about 12.2 million hits; additionally, a special radio hotline with recorded interviews for the media had nearly 800 calls.

Fossett is making his way back to the United States, and he says he is not sure if he'll attempt another RTW flight.

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Medical School Update

Lenke named Jerome J. Gilden Professor

By ANNE ENRIGHT SHEPHERD

Spinal surgeon Lawrence G. Lenke, M.D., has been named the first Jerome J. Gilden M.D. Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at the School of Medicine. The professorship is supported by a donation from the late Mildred B. Simon, who named the position in honor of Gilden, her longtime physician.

Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton made the announcement along with William A. Peck, M.D., executive vice chancellor for medical affairs and dean of the School of Medicine.

"This generous gift to Washington University leaves quite a legacy," Wrighton said. "Through this and her other kind support, Mrs. Mildred Simon is ensuring the university's ability to undertake groundbreaking research, offer exceptional medical education and provide top-notch patient care."

"Jerry Gilden is an outstanding physician and scientist who has

made significant contributions to the School of Medicine," Peck said. "This professorship is fitting testament to his decades of dedication to orthopaedic surgery. Larry Lenke is an excellent choice as the first holder of this position, and I am confident that he will live up to the standard Jerry has set."

Simon, who died in 1998 at the age of 105, was a longtime St. Louis resident. She was very active throughout her life in Temple Israel and was a patient of Gilden's for nearly 40 years.

In his research, Lenke studies innovative techniques of spinal surgery, pediatric and adult scoliosis and low-back

pain. As part of a major, multicenter study of three common problems of the lower spine, Lenke compares surgical and non-surgical treatments to learn which of the therapies more effectively reduces pain. He is co-principal investigator at the Washington University/Barnes-

Jewish Hospital site of this five-year national effort known as the Spine Patient Outcomes Research Trial, or SPORT.

Lenke graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in 1986 after earning a bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame. He then completed his medical training at Washington University School of Medicine where he did an internship and residency followed by a fellowship in pediatric and adult spinal surgery. He has been on the university's faculty since 1991 when he joined as an instructor of orthopaedic surgery. He is an orthopaedic surgeon at Barnes-Jewish Hospital and St. Louis Children's Hospital and chief of spinal surgery at the St. Louis Shriners Hospital for Children. Lenke directs the orthopaedic surgery residency program at the medical school.

Richard H. Gelberman, M.D., the Fred C. Reynolds Professor and chairman of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, said, "Larry Lenke is a nationally and internationally recognized contributor in the field of spinal surgery and an outstanding choice for this honored position. Mrs. Mildred Simon's legacy strengthens our excellence in musculoskeletal care, physician education and scientific advances in the Midwest and beyond. We could not be more grateful for her support."

The professorship honors Gilden, assistant professor emeritus of orthopaedic surgery at the medical school. He headed the Division of Orthopaedic Surgery at the former Jewish Hospital from 1988-96. An avid hockey fan, Gilden was team physician to the St. Louis Blues for 27 years, serving as chief of the team's panel of doctors for more than two decades and attending every home game. In addition to his academic, administrative and hockey-related responsibilities, Gilden saw patients in his private practice for more than 40 years before retiring in 1999.

Gilden earned an undergraduate degree from the University in 1948 and a medical degree in 1952 from the university's School of Medicine. Gilden was the first orthopaedic surgeon in the St. Louis metropolitan area and the Midwest to perform knee replacements and was among the region's leaders in doing total hip replacements. His later work focused on knee and hip reconstructions and replacements, fracture trauma and medical back care.



Lenke: Professor of orthopaedic surgery

Diet, exercise dramatically lower type 2 diabetes risk

People at high risk for type 2 diabetes can sharply lower their chances of getting the disease with diet and exercise according to a national study involving researchers at the School of Medicine. Treatment with the oral drug metformin also reduced the risk in this population.

The study, called Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP), was the largest study to date to evaluate whether lifestyle changes or medication can prevent or delay type 2 diabetes. The results were presented Aug. 8 at a press conference at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md.

"In view of the rapidly rising rates of obesity and diabetes in America, this good news couldn't have come at a better time," said Tommy G. Thompson, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. "So many of our health problems can be avoided through diet, exercise and making sure we take care of ourselves. By promoting healthy lifestyles, we can improve the quality of life for all Americans and reduce health care costs dramatically."

Neil H. White, M.D., professor

of pediatrics and medicine, was the principal investigator of the medical school's study site. The St. Louis site included 179 of the study's 3,234 people with impaired glucose tolerance, a condition that often precedes diabetes. On the advice of the DPP's external data monitoring board, the trial ended a year early because the data had clearly answered the main research questions.

Participants randomly assigned to intensive lifestyle intervention reduced their risk of getting type 2 diabetes by 58 percent. On average, this group maintained their physical activity at 30 minutes per day, usually with walking or other moderate intensity exercise, and lost 5-7 percent of their body weight. Participants randomized to treatment with metformin reduced their risk of getting type 2 diabetes by 31 percent.

Diabetes afflicts more than 16 million people in the United States. It is the main cause of kidney failure, limb amputations and new onset blindness in adults and a major cause of heart disease and stroke. Type 2 diabetes accounts for up to 95 percent of all diabetes cases.

Exercise offers emotional benefits for the frail elderly

A new assessment of several clinical trials indicates exercise may raise the spirits of the frail elderly without causing more pain.

"Exercise can improve quality of life in at least one important domain, emotional health, without causing an increase in pain," said lead author Kenneth B. Schechtman, Ph.D., associate professor of biostatistics at the School of Medicine.

Schechtman and his team assessed the effects of exercise interventions on the quality of life of 1,733 subjects at four sites across the United States. The mean age of subjects was 73 years. Fifty-five percent were female.

The exercise studies included in this trial were noteworthy for their large sample size and concentration on older persons

at risk for fall-related injury.

The study results appeared in the August issue of *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*.

Training of participants included four types of exercise — resistance, endurance, flexibility and balance — at low, medium and high intensity. Researchers assessed how exercise intervention affected four quality-of-life components: general health, emotional health, pain and social well being.

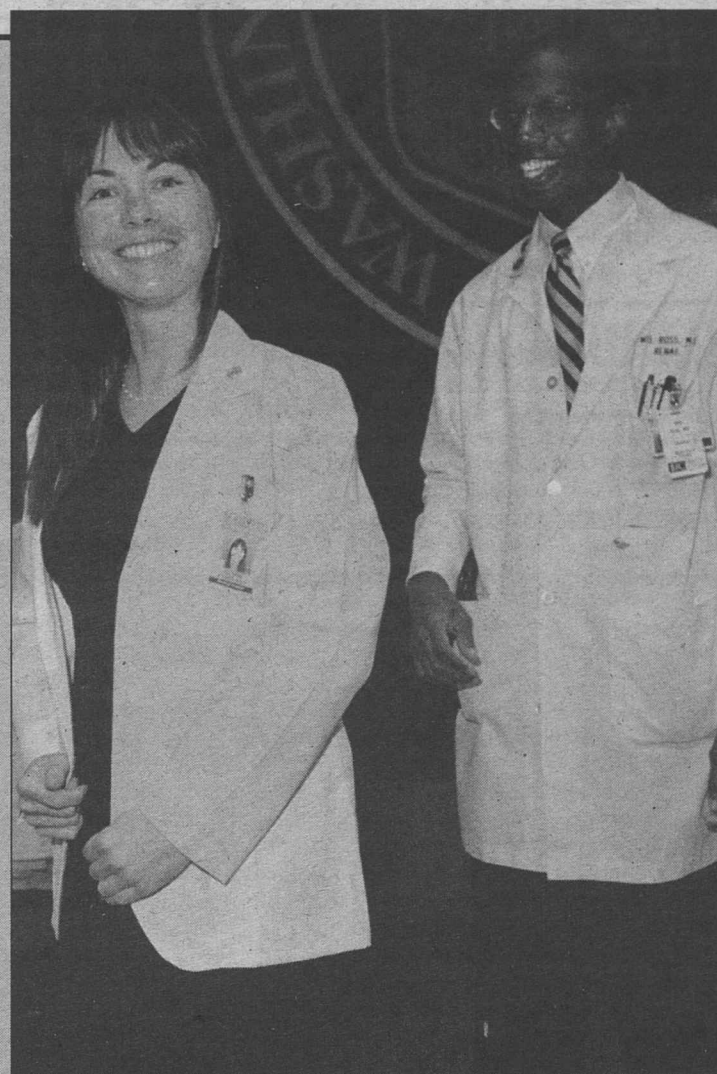
Overall, "the quality of life benefits of these exercise interventions in frail elderly adults are modest in size," they found.

The researchers found that exercise produced a small but significant improvement in the emotional health of the frail elderly. Those who exercised scored higher on the emotional health scale than control groups.

These "interventions may have increased self-efficacy and the sense of mastery, which help to provide focus and meaning to one's life," Schechtman said.

The researchers found that improvements in emotional health could not be explained by measurable physical improvements in parameters such as gait speed. They also report that exercise intervention had little effect on subjects' scores on the general health perception scale, the social scale and on the pain scale.

However, investigators anticipated that vigorous, frequent exercise might cause the fragile oldsters to report more pain in their muscles and joints, which didn't happen. "The absence of such an increase is an important positive finding," Schechtman said.



The journey begins First-year medical student Genoa Ferguson beams after donning her new duds with the help of Will R. Ross, M.D., associate dean and director of diversity programs, at the White Coat Ceremony Aug. 17. Just before receiving their symbolic white coats, the 120 members of the incoming class took an oath of professionalism, which they had written as a group exercise during orientation.

Picus named director of diagnostic radiology

By DARRELL E. WARD

Daniel Picus, M.D., professor of radiology and of surgery, has been named director of the Division of Diagnostic Radiology at the School of Medicine's Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology (MIR).

"I am very pleased that Dan Picus has accepted this new assignment," said Gilbert Jost, M.D., Elizabeth Mallinckrodt Professor and head of Radiology and director of Mallinckrodt Institute. "He is a talented radiologist with outstanding management skills. We are fortunate to have his leadership for the diagnostic radiology division."

Picus has been chief of vascular and interventional radiology since 1987.

Interventional radiology encompasses a variety of minimally invasive procedures done with imaging guidance, such as dilating an artery with the help of a balloon catheter. He has published more than 135 scientific articles and is a popular lecturer on vascular and nonvascular diagnosis and intervention.

Picus is a member of numer-

ous medical societies, including the Radiological Society of North America, the Association of University Radiologists, and the International Society of Biliary Radiology. He is a fellow of the American College of Radiology, the Society of Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology, and the American Heart Association Council on Cardiovascular Radiology.

Picus earned an undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois and a medical degree from the University of Chicago, where he was a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha honorary medical society. He completed a diagnostic radiology residency, serving as chief resident from 1984-85, and a fellowship in abdominal radiology, with special emphasis on interventional procedures, at Mallinckrodt Institute. He joined the MIR faculty in 1986 as assistant professor of radiology.

Mallinckrodt Institute serves as the Department of Radiology for the medical school. Established in 1930, MIR is one of the largest and most scientifically sophisticated radiological centers worldwide.

Apply for cancer research grants by Sept. 14

Applications now are being accepted for awards from the University's American Cancer Society Institutional Research Grant Committee. Applications are due by 4 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 14, for the program, which provides seed money for new projects initiated by junior faculty members.

Only instructors and assistant professors are eligible. Individuals who have previously received these awards or major grants from the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation, the American Cancer Society or Veterans Affairs are not eligible. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or have proof of

permanent residency at the time of application.

Each application should include a letter from the department chair vouching for the independence of the investigator. All new cancer-related research that will involve human subjects must first be reviewed and approved by the Siteman Cancer Center Protocol Review and Monitoring Committee.

For more information, call Committee Chair David B. Wilson, M.D., Ph.D., at 286-2834, or e-mail Sharon E. Heath at sharon@ccadmin.wustl.edu to get an application.

University Events

Biodiversity • Elegiac and Iambic Poetry • Chamber Orchestra

"University Events" lists a portion of the activities taking place at Washington University Aug. 24-Sept. 5. Visit the Web for expanded calendars for the School of Medicine (medschool.wustl.edu/events/) and the Hilltop Campus (cf6000.wustl.edu/calendar/events/).

Exhibitions

"Muses and the Healing Art." Through Aug. 31. Glaser Gallery, The Bernard Becker Medical Library, 660 S. Euclid Ave. 362-4235.

Lectures

Friday, Aug. 24

9:15 a.m. Pediatric Grand Rounds. "Thirty Years of Polycystic Kidney Disease." Barbara R. Cole, assoc. prof. of pediatrics, nephrology div. Clopton Aud., 4950 Children's Place. 454-6006.

Monday, Aug. 27

4 p.m. Biology seminar. "Biodiversity and the Amuesha of the Upper Peruvian Amazon." Jan Salick, Missouri Botanical

Garden. Room 322 Rebstock Hall. 935-6850.

Thursday, Aug. 30

4 p.m. Chemistry seminar. "Synthesis of Glycopeptides and the Natural Product Phomactin." Randall Halcomb, prof., chemistry dept., Colo. U., Boulder. Room 311 McMillen Lab (coffee, 3:40 p.m.). 935-6530.

Friday, Aug. 31

4 p.m. Classics lecture. "Ancestors of Historiography in Early Greek Elegiac and Iambic Poetry?" Ewen L. Bowie, Corpus Christi College, Oxford, UK. Room 204 Eads Hall. 935-5123.

Wednesday, Sept. 5

11 a.m. Assembly Series. William Webster, former dir. of FBI and CIA. Graham Chapel. 935-5285.

Music

Monday, Aug. 27

8 p.m. Music Dept. concert. WU Chamber Orchestra. Elizabeth Macdonald, dir. Holmes Lounge, Ridgley Hall. 935-4841.

Sports

Wednesday, Sept. 5

7 p.m. Women's soccer vs. Principia College, Elsah, Ill. Francis Field. 935-5220.



Thomas B. Allen illustrated this album cover, "The Jazz Odyssey of James Rushing," in 1957.

Illustrator Allen honored in retrospective at Des Lee Gallery

BY LIAM OTTEN

In the late 1950s and early '60s, Nashville native Thomas B. Allen emerged as one of the busiest illustrators in America.

His portraits, reportage pieces and story illustrations regularly appeared in Esquire, Fortune, Life, Look, The New Yorker, People and Sports Illustrated, to name only a few. Today, Allen's work can still be seen on dozens of album covers for musicians ranging from big-band leader Benny Goodman and blues singer Jimmy Rushing to gospel legend Mahalia Jackson and the influential bluegrass duo Lester Flatt and Earl Scruggs.

"I firmly believe that Tom Allen should be knighted as American music's patron saint to the arts," said Nashville-based recording artist Marty Stuart, a longtime admirer of Allen's evocative style. "His work is as timeless as the music itself. He is a master who can bring art to life in its most complex form, yet his genius is knowing how to present it in a way that even an 8-year-old child in a dime store can understand."

Earlier this year, Stuart helped organize an exhibition of Allen's work for Nashville's famed Ryman Auditorium, former home of the Grand Ole Opry. A version of that exhibition — "Thomas B. Allen, Innovator of American Illustration: A Retrospective" — has come to the University through Sept. 16 in the School of Art's Des Lee Gallery.

A reception for Allen — and special guest Stuart — will be from 6-8 p.m. Aug. 31 and will

Exhibition

WHO: Illustrator Thomas B. Allen

WHAT: Exhibition, "Thomas B. Allen, Innovator of American Illustration: A Retrospective"

WHERE: The University School of Art's Des Lee Gallery, University Lofts building, 1627 Washington Ave.

WHEN: Through Sept. 16; Reception 6-8 p.m. Aug. 31

COST: Free and open to the public

HOURS: 4-7 p.m. Fridays, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays, 1-4 p.m. Sundays, and by appointment

SPONSOR: School of Art

MORE INFO: Call 621-8735

feature a performance by St. Louis guitarist Tom Hall.

Art school Dean Jeff Pike, who curated the Des Lee exhibition, said of Allen, "It's difficult to communicate the breadth of Tom's work. He is truly one of the great innovators of 20th-century American illustration, perhaps in part because he never really thought of himself as an illustrator, but as an artist seeking new venues for his work."

"Tom is a wonderful draftsman," Pike continued. "His work is very beautiful, very poetic and economical. Without any extraneous information, he can evoke a very specific place and time. When Tom draws a couple working in an overgrown field during a southern summer, one can almost feel the

heat and the sun and the weight of the atmosphere upon them."

Pike added that Allen was particularly known for his reportage work — that is, for documenting a particular event or activity through a series of illustrations. Major projects along these lines included "Country Music Goes to Town" (Esquire, 1959), about the state of country music; "The Misfits" (Esquire, 1960), an on-location report about the making of the Marilyn Monroe/Clark Gable film; and "CBS Diary Notebook," a series of on-the-set drawings commissioned by the network.

In recent years, Allen has turned his talents to children's literature, illustrating Judith Hendershot's "In Coal Country" (Knopf, 1987) and George Shannon's "Climbing Kansas Mountain" (Atheneum, 1993) as well as his own "On Granddaddy's Farm" (Knopf, 1989).

A former chair of the illustration department at the Ringling School of Art and Design in Sarasota, Fla., Allen previously held teaching positions at Syracuse University and the School of Visual Arts, both in New York, and at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, where he held the distinguished Hallmark Chair.

The Des Lee Gallery is downtown in the University Lofts building, 1627 Washington Ave. Gallery hours are 4-7 p.m. Fridays, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays, 1-4 p.m. Sundays and by appointment. For more information, call 621-8735.

BY BARBARA REA

If you have wondered what it would be like to see Poland, or Burma, or Borneo, but didn't have the where-withal to get there yourself, the University's Travel Lecture Series can offer the next best thing.

On the first Friday of each month during the academic year, armchair travelers are invited to Graham Chapel to see some of the best travel films available, presented and narrated by their creators.

Films are shown at 6 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m., beginning Oct. 5 and concluding May 3. Admission is \$5 per person. Subscriptions can be purchased for \$26 per person or \$43 for a double enrollment.

The series is sponsored by the Washington University

Association, which was established in 1898 to extend the University's educational mission to the St. Louis community. In its original incarnation, the association

planned a series of lectures each year designed to educate the public on a variety of issues. Some of the lectures addressed local politics and University issues, while others presented travel-ogues or topical explorations in areas such as science, art and sociology.

By the early 1950s, the chief focus of the association became devoted to travelogues,

although it was not until 1983 that it became formally known as the Travel Lecture Series.

For more information about the Travel Lecture Series or individual travel-ogues, call 935-5212.

Travel Lecture Series

Oct. 5 — "The People of Poland," by Charles Hartman

Nov. 2 — "Indonesia, Borneo and the Falklands," by Rich Kern

Dec. 7 — "Great Trans-American Train Ride," by Doug Jones

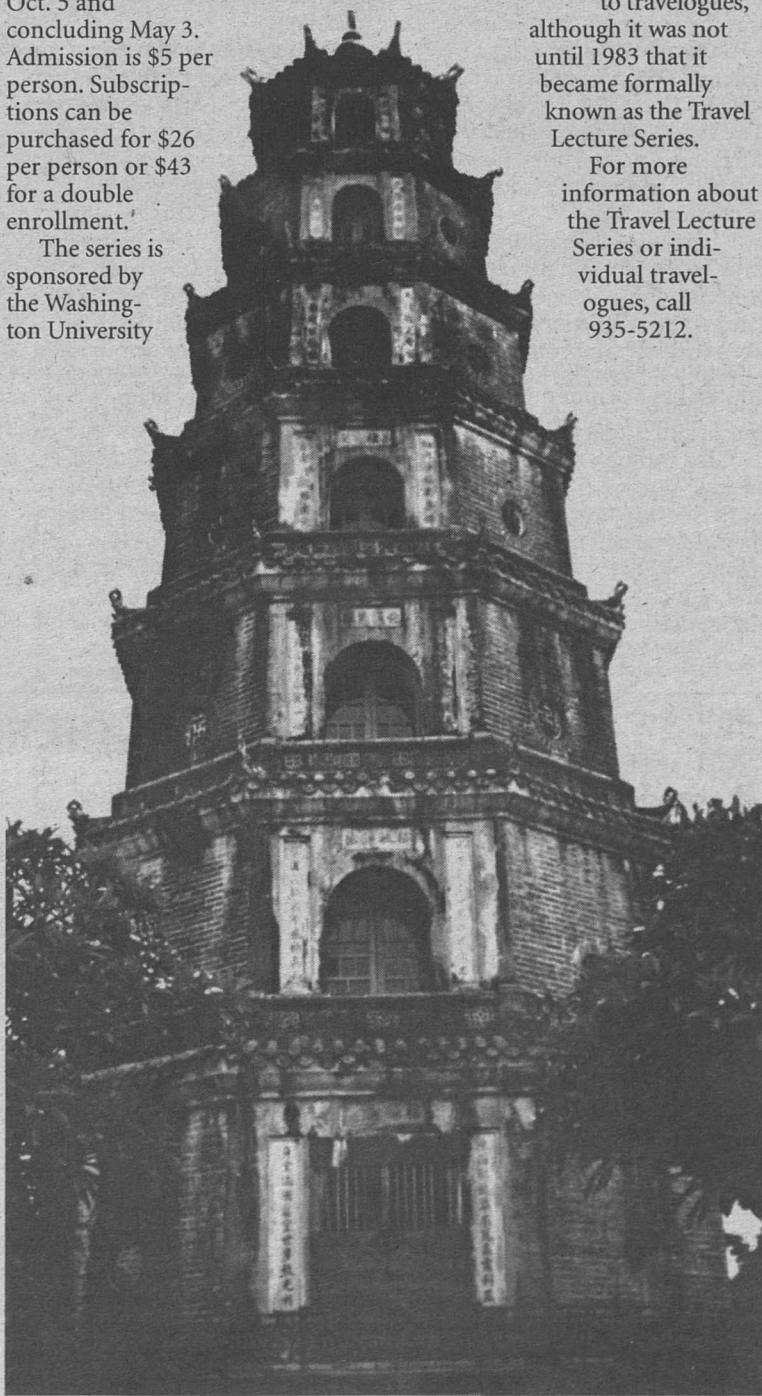
Jan. 4 — "India," by Willis Moore

Feb. 1 — "High Country Adventure (Yukon & Canadian Rockies)," by John Wilson

March 1 — "The Real World of Western Europe," by Rick Howard

April 5 — "San Francisco," by Rick and Jane Rosefield

May 3 — "Vietnam and Burma," by Rick Ray



The Perfume Pagoda in Vietnam is part of Rick Ray's "Vietnam and Burma," a film to be featured in the University's Travel Lecture Series.

Luchini's 'Isabel House' opens at The Principia

By LIAM OTTEN

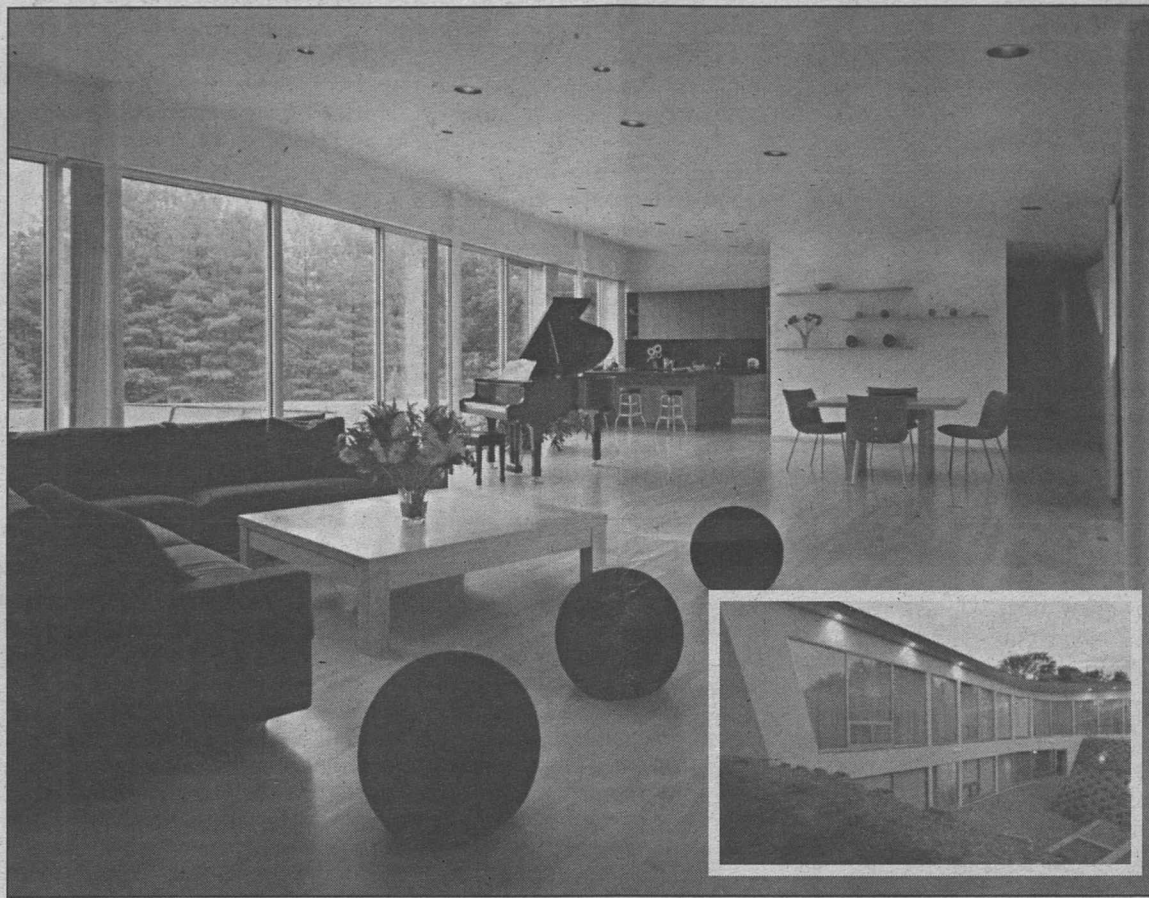
For the architect, private residences often occupy a professional space akin to a painter's drawings or a novelist's short stories, offering the benefits of smaller scale, greater immediacy and a chance to focus on exquisite detail rather than breathtaking scope.

That said, Adrian Luchini's 6,400-square-foot "Isabel House" is no ordinary residence. (The house is named for the foundation that funded it.) Luchini, associate professor in the School of Architecture, developed the project with the St. Louis firm Metropolitan Design & Building.

Nestled into a low hillside on the 360-acre St. Louis campus of The Principia, 13201 Clayton Road, the building, which was completed earlier this year, pulls double duty as both the headmaster's home and as a host facility for small receptions, welcome ceremonies and other semi-public events.

"There is a definite entertainment aspect to the house," Luchini said. "Principia is a boarding school with students coming from all over the United States. The headmaster and his wife become like surrogate parents in a way, hosting all kinds of activities for the kids, from concerts and dinners to just watching television."

"It's a very unusual amalgam of public and private space," concurred Principia Headmaster



Adrian Luchini, associate professor in the School of Architecture, designed the headmaster's home, the 6,400-square-foot "Isabel House," at The Principia in St. Louis.

Robert Clark, who now lives in the house with his wife and family. "Adrian has done a wonderful job of creating a building that allows us to feel that we have private family areas, yet that also opens up very naturally to accommodate larger groups."

Luchini noted that a certain negotiation between public and private was inherent to the building site: The southern border runs along a well-trafficked pedestrian walkway connecting the boys' and girls' dormitories, while the northern border faces a

rolling field and is screened by an cluster of mature trees. Luchini's mission, then, was to weave the diverse threads of program and location into coherent architectural cloth while also honoring the modernist vocabulary of the school's 1950s-era campus.

"The campus is relatively new and has a number of very nice buildings done in the International Style" Luchini said. "At the same time, both the client and I were interested in creating a contemporary structure that would have a presence and shape of its own."

Luchini's solution was to conceive Isabel House as a subtle, boomerang-like arc, with front and back approaches developed as distinctly different tableaux. The convex side, which points toward campus, reiterates the strong lines and flat planes of neighboring structures with an undulating (and load-bearing) wall faced in red brick. In contrast, the light, almost levitating walls of the concave side — done in white stucco — form a de facto courtyard that provides the family with a measure of privacy. Unifying the two views is an elegantly tilted copper roof, the profile of which almost subliminally suggests a bird ready to take flight.

"A traditional two-story home really wouldn't have fit the campus," Clark said. "And while Adrian's design definitely looks newer and more modern than the existing buildings, what I really like is that the concept behind it is so expansive. It challenges your ideas about 'home,' with interesting results."

"That's what education is all about — expanding one's horizons."

Sports

Fall season previews

Football

The Bears return six defensive starters to a unit that finished third in the nation in total defense in 2000. Key personnel include strong safety Kyle Runnalls, cornerback Quincy Davis, middle linebacker Brandon Roberts and linemen James Molnar and Craig Brockington. On offense, the Bears will need to cut down on last year's 24 turnovers, including 17 in their own end of the field. Senior quarterback Brian Tatom returns for his second season at the helm and will have solid support in tailback John DeLeon, tight end Gus Haug and wideout Jim Donley. On the offensive line, left tackle Tim Gronewold is the only returning player with any significant playing time.

Volleyball

Seniors Julie Suellentrop and Mia Viola bring experience and enthusiasm to the young Bear squad, while junior setter Rebecca Rotello could be the team's cornerstone. The sophomore class is loaded with talent. Last year, middle blocker Amy Brand stepped into a starting role almost immediately and had an outstanding season; she and a host of other sophomores will be keys to the team's success. A strong freshman class will be looked to for depth and enthusiasm. Numerous top schools line the schedule. National powers will come to the University as the Bears will host four tournaments, including the National Invitational Tournament Sept. 14-15 and the University Athletic Association (UAA) Round Robin Sept. 22-23.

Men's soccer

The Bears will look for a big year out of senior Casey Lien, who is coming off of an injury-plagued 2000 season. Key attackers joining Lien up front will be quick junior Mark Gister, the team's leading scorer from last year. Senior Matt Katke and sophomores Steve Bujarski and James Ward will plug the middle, and seniors Sarat Ganga and Derek Tracy will anchor the defense, which allowed only 17 goals last year. Junior Giles Bissonnette is the only returning goalkeeper for the Bears; he started 11 games a season ago and posting a 0.94 goals-against average in 1,057 minutes.

Women's soccer

Forward Jessica Glick will be the crucial player up front; the three-year starter has scored 31 career goals. Midfielder play will be critical, as another three-year starter, senior Stacey Trent, returns in the middle for her final season. Sophomores Brenda Harpole and Lauren Bennett will add depth. Senior Lauren Hyer and sophomore Christine Vavra will anchor the defense, and sophomores Lindsay Farrer and Tana Mitby will contribute. Freshman Kara Karnes also could see some time in the backfield. Returning for her final season in the nets is Stephanie Peters, who made 13 starts last year, posting 0.61 goals-against average and a 9-2 record.

On the Internet

For more sports information, go to bearsports.wustl.edu.

GWB's McMillen to study youths leaving foster care

By ANN NICHOLSON

Curtis McMillen, Ph.D., associate professor at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work (GWB), has received a four-year, \$1.3 million grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to document potentially dramatic changes in mental-health services for 380 Missouri youths leaving foster care over the next several years.

"The study will examine what happens to adolescents who are heavy mental-health service users once they leave foster care and are no longer eligible for child service systems," McMillen said. "The mental-health service system changes considerably as youths move from adolescence to adulthood. There are fewer service options for adults, eligibility

narrows and affordability changes.

"These service system changes occur at a time of considerable stress as young people — particularly those in foster care — often change residences, seek new employment and learn to live more independently," he added.

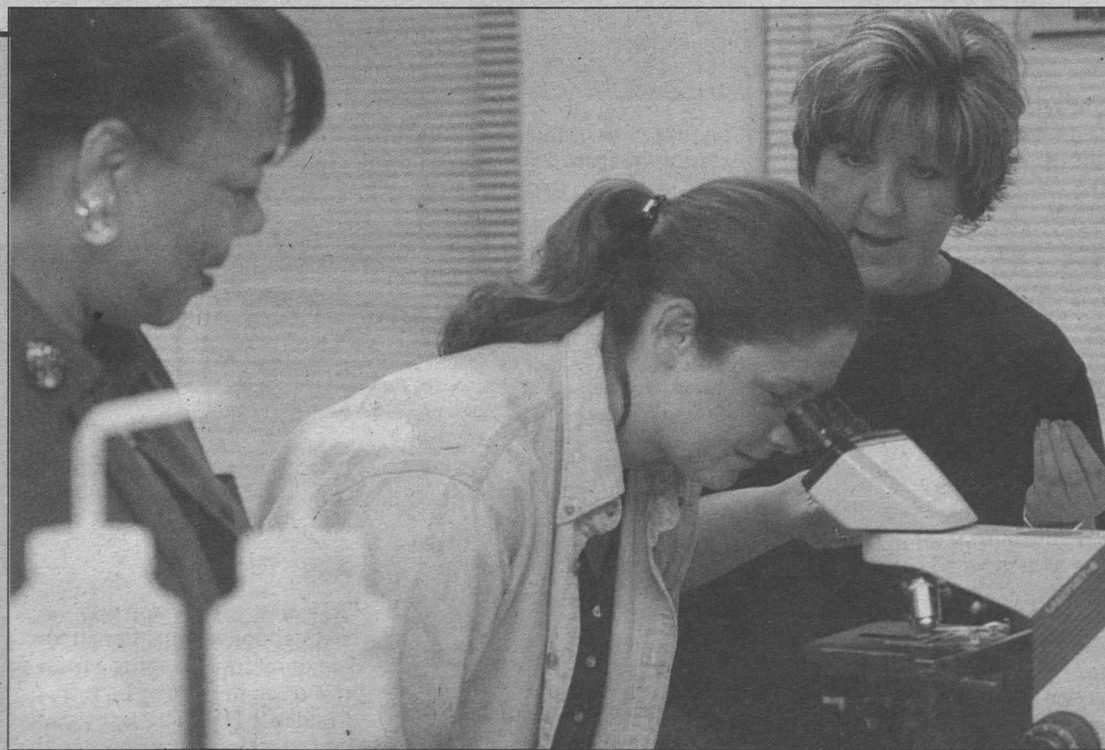
The study will involve personal interviews with the adolescents in foster care just prior to their 17th birthday, tracking them quarterly through phone interviews and then re-interviewing them in person two years later.

In addition to documenting changes in and access to mental-health services, the study will examine correlations between continued or discontinued service use and various outcomes. These outcomes include positive occurrences such as high school graduation or college acceptance,

and negative situations such as homelessness, unemployment, incarceration, unplanned parenthood, substance abuse and psychiatric hospitalizations.

The Missouri Division of Family Services is a partner in the research, which is being conducted through GWB's Center for Mental Health Services Research. Wendy Auslander, Ph.D., associate professor of social work, and Wilson Compton III, M.D., associate professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the School of Medicine, are serving as investigators on the project.

"By identifying resources, barriers and characteristics related to the change in mental-health service use for youths leaving the foster care system, we hope our study will lead to better outcomes for these young adults," McMillen said.



Teachers teaching teachers (Left to right) Marsha Blaine of Sumner High School in the St. Louis Public Schools, Deann Meyers from Hazelwood East High School, and Stacey Schoeffel of Roosevelt High of the St. Louis Public Schools participate in a laboratory experiment as part of the Science Outreach Office's genetics curriculum course in July. Fifteen biology teachers partook in "The Gene Revolution: Modern Genetics for All Students." Gary Corbin, outreach program coordinator, was the course instructor and was assisted by numerous University faculty. The genetics curriculum developed at the University, University City High School and other partner schools throughout the 1990s now is being taught to 18,225 students in 22 area high schools.

Siteman

NCI-designated Cancer Center; Missouri's only
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tion gained through the endeavors of Siteman Cancer Center-affiliated faculty and staff will help reduce the burden of cancer locally and nationally by leading to improved strategies for cancer prevention, detection and treatment. This process is enhanced by scientists' and physicians' access to the most advanced research tools and techniques, a close association between state-of-the-art research and clinical care, and the ability to address regional and national cancer concerns.

"NCI designation recognizes the outstanding medical research and patient care by Washington University faculty affiliated with Siteman Cancer Center as well as the success of the longstanding partnership between Barnes-Jewish Hospital and Washington University School of Medicine," said William A. Peck, M.D., executive vice chancellor for medical affairs and dean of the medical school. "We now have the opportunity to bring cancer research from the laboratory to the bedside even quicker, thereby continuing to serve the best interests of our patients and the public. Designation as an NCI center will make Siteman Cancer Center an even greater resource for the St. Louis community and for cancer care worldwide."

The services at Siteman Cancer Center soon will expand as part of new facilities expected to open in fall 2001 in the Center for Advanced Medicine, being built at the corner of Forest Park and Euclid avenues. The substantial majority of the nearly 5,000 newly diagnosed cancer patients treated annually by University physicians and BJH will receive their outpatient care within the new Siteman Cancer Center facility.

"Cancer patients at the Siteman Cancer Center can be assured of the latest treatments and care including all the clinical and psychological components in a patient-friendly environment," says Ronald G. Evens, M.D., president of Barnes-Jewish Hospital.

The effort to gain federal NCI designation accelerated in 1995, when the School of Medicine obtained an NCI Cancer Center Planning Grant — a first step toward NCI designation.

An additional critical step in the growth of cancer programs at the University and Barnes-Jewish Hospital occurred in 1996, when the board of Barnard Free Skin and Cancer Hospital decided to have the University coordinate Barnard's outstanding indigent cancer care, cancer research and community education programs, thus bringing more resources to bear in the effort to create a broad-based and cohesive cancer program for St. Louis. Subsequently, Barnes-Jewish Hospital joined the University in running these important programs.

Eberlein, the Spencer T. and

Ann W. Olin Distinguished Professor at the University and Surgeon-in-Chief at BJH, became director of the growing cancer center in November 1999. That same month, St. Louisans Alvin J. and Ruth Siteman committed \$35 million to Barnes-Jewish Hospital and the University to support cancer-related efforts, thus expanding and providing a cohesive identity for the medical school and hospital's combined cancer programs.

The Siteman-Cancer Center now has eight multidisciplinary research programs and 11 centralized resource facilities, or core facilities, which help spur progress in these cancer programs. It also has efforts aimed at improving cancer prevention, detection and treatment.

Educational and cancer screening efforts at Siteman Cancer Center for breast, skin, colorectal and other cancers reach thousands of St. Louis-area residents. For example, the Barnes-Jewish Hospital mammography van, in association with the Siteman Cancer Center and the University's Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, provided more than 7,000 screening mammograms last year throughout the metropolitan area.

The Prevention and Control Program at the Siteman Cancer Center also is actively involved in community outreach. For example, program staff members are providing smoking cessation counseling at various Grace Hill Settlement Center locations and training residents to help colleagues quit smoking.

Council

Lokken, Thach appointed by Chancellor Wrighton
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have a stronger environment for our students, faculty and staff. It is important for the University to have a member of its leadership team fully engaged with the issues involving government and community relations."

Lokken has served the University in government and community relations since 1991, taking director's responsibilities in 1993. She previously had worked for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Close Up Foundation, both in the Washington, D.C., area.

Thach directed the medical school's Center for Basic Cancer Research (1972-77) and served as director of the graduate program in molecular biology in the division of biology and biomedical sciences (1974-77). He was chair of the Department of Biology in Arts & Sciences (1977-81) and coordinator of the program for the special major in

biochemistry and molecular biology (1983-93) before assuming the graduate deanship in 1993.

"The University is fortunate to have Bob Thach serving in the key leadership position of Dean of the Graduate School of Arts & Sciences," Wrighton said.

"Inasmuch as approximately half of our students are graduate and professional students, Dean Thach will play an important role on the University Council as we strive to make more progress in our advanced educational programs."

Thach was recently appointed to head the Deans' Task Force of the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation's new Responsive Ph.D. initiative. He also chairs the Graduate Record Examination Board for the Educational Testing Service and serves on the Emory University Graduate Advisory Council.

Thach has served on the board of the Council of Graduate Schools and the Executive Committee of the Association of Graduate Schools.

Thach earned a doctorate in biochemistry from Harvard University in 1964.

Volunteers sought for Service First

Labor Day weekend will be taken quite literally by a substantial number of the University's new freshmen class. On Sept. 1, more than 800 students will participate in the third annual Service First, an initiative that introduces first-year college students to community service.

Faculty and staff also are encouraged to volunteer for the event.

This year, students will be helping clean, update and renovate eight St. Louis Public Schools to help ready them for the upcoming school year. Projects range from painting murals, inspirational messages and playgrounds, to decorating bulletin boards, to gardening and landscaping.

Volunteers are needed to supervise and help with projects.

Stephanie Kurtzman, coordinator for women's programs and community service, coordinates Service First for the University.

"Service First is a great way for us to welcome students to Washington University and introduce them to the St. Louis community," Kurtzman said. "We hope the students become engaged in a life of community service during their college years and that they remain responsible citizens wherever they go next. We are grateful to the St. Louis Public Schools for opening their doors for another year, allowing our students to leave an impression on the lives of St. Louis youth."

For more information or to volunteer for all or part of the day, contact Kurtzman at 935-5994.

Students

Outstanding Class of 2005 arrives on campus
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are National Honor Society members;

- Approximately 159 were senior class officers, and 325 were officers in service organizations;
- Many served as editors — 94 of yearbooks and 116 of newspapers;

- Musically, 315 were members of their school bands or orchestras and 217 were members of a choir or chorus;

- 343 were involved in the performing arts; and

- In athletics, 423 were team captains.

"Washington University is thrilled to have such an extraordinary freshman class," said Nanette H. Tarbouni, director of admissions. "It is a compliment to the Washington University community that these young people have chosen to join us here."

The talented freshmen were chosen from a record number of applicants — nearly 21,000.



The first step of the move-in process: Students unload their belongings from vehicles last week at the South 40.

Campus Watch

The following incidents were reported to University Police **Aug. 8-18**. Readers with information that could assist in investigating these incidents are urged to call 935-5555. This information is provided as a public service to promote safety awareness and is available on the University Police Web site at rescomp.wustl.edu/~wupd.

Aug. 8

1:28 p.m. — A video projector was stolen from the construction area in Small Group Housing, Building 1, lower level, Room 10. The door was not secure due to not having a lock. Total loss is valued at \$7,000.

Aug. 13

3:17 p.m. — The shop manager for the School of Art reported that an unknown person stole a black and gray Rubbermaid toolbox containing miscellaneous tools from the lower

level of Givens Hall. A search of the area for the toolbox, witnesses or suspects was unsuccessful. Total loss is valued at \$1,000.

Aug. 15

3:09 a.m. — An unknown person damaged or destroyed several door signs on the fourth floor of Elizabeth Gray Danforth House. The unknown person also took a black marker and wrote graffiti on room and storage doors as well as the walls along the steps.

8:49 a.m. — An unknown

person stole a laptop computer from West Campus. Total loss is valued at \$1,800.

Aug. 18

2:31 p.m. — A person was arrested for assault after attempting to remove his vehicle from a tow truck in front of Liggett Residence Hall. The suspect was taken by University Police to the St. Louis County Jail.

Additionally, University Police responded to five reports of theft, two reports of vandalism and one report of false alarm.

Employment

Use the World Wide Web to obtain complete job descriptions. Go to <https://hr.wustl.edu/> (Hilltop) or <http://medicine.wustl.edu/wumshr> (Medical).

Hilltop Campus

Information regarding positions may be obtained in the Office of Human Resources, Room 130, West Campus. If you are not a WU staff member, call 935-9836. Staff members call 935-5906.

Research Technician 0100256

Research Assistant 010023

Administrative Secretary 010032

Senior Medical Sciences Writer 010108

Senior Prospect Researcher 010236

Reference/Subject Librarian (Psychology) 010241

Reference/Subject Librarian (German) 010242

Research Technician 010250

Deputized Police Officer 010273

Director III 010276

Site Operator/Technician 010279

Catalog Librarian 010290

Regional Director of Development 010314

Department Secretary (part time) 010317

Administrative Assistant I 010333

Custodian and Maintenance Assistant (part time) 010349

Administrative Assistant (part time) 010358

Administrative Assistant (part time) 010366

Office Assistant 010367

Associate Director, BSBA Advising and Student Services 010375

BSBA Registrar 010376

Administrative Assistant of International Writers Center 010379

Assistant Director, International Writers Center 010380

Research Assistant 010383

Associate Director of Capital Projects 010385

Reference/Subject Librarian 010387

Assistant Technical Director 010391

Assistant Director Corporate/Foundation Prospect Management Systems 010398

Event Coordinator 010399

Office Assistant 010400

Unix Systems Manager 010409

Financial Analyst — Undergraduate Admissions 010410

Electronic News Editor 010411

Serials Librarian 010415

Accountant 010416

Director of External Programs 020001

Department Secretary 020003

Regional Director of Development 020005

Library Services Assistant 020006

Admissions Counselor (part time) 020007

Director of Corporate Outreach/Executive Programs 020008

Administrative Receptionist 020009

Application Processor II 020016

Switchboard Operator/Evenings (part time) 020019

Government Grants Specialist II 020020

Department Secretary 020021

Editor's Assistant (part time) 020022

Lab Technician 020023

Receptionist/Secretary 020025

Administrative Assistant 020026

Administrative Assistant 020027

Technical Director 020028

Library Technical Assistant (Support Services) 020032

Grants Coordinator 020033

Accounting Assistant 020035

Assistant Graphic Designer 020036

Career Center Project Leader 020039

Director of Career Center Planning and Placement 020041

Associate Coordinator of Gift Acknowledgements 020042

Receptionist 020043

Administrative Assistant 020044

Departmental Secretary 020045

Regional Director of Development 020046

Accounts Receivable Service Representative 020047

Secretary 020049

Administrative Assistant 020050

Service Representative 020051

Lab Technician 020052

Media/Editorial Advisor 020053

Research Technician 020054

Director of Executive MBA Student Services 020055

Library Tech Assistant 020056

Department Secretary 020058

Medical Campus

This is a partial list of positions at the School of Medicine. Employees: Contact the medical school's Office of Human Resources at 362-7196. External candidates: Submit resumes to the Office of Human Resources, 4480 Clayton Ave., Campus Box 8002, St. Louis, MO 63110, or call 362-7196.

Research Patient Coordinator 010883

Medical Secretary II (part time) 011275

Systems Manager 011753

Medical Secretary II 011767

Library Assistant 011824

Research Patient Assistant 011885

Secretary (part time) 011887

Facilities Technician I 011917

Notables

Of note

Enola Proctor, Ph.D., the Frank J. Bruno Professor of Social Work Research and director of the Center for Mental Health Services Research at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, was named editor in chief of the premier social work journal, *Social Work Research*. ...

David E. Pollio, Ph.D., associate professor at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, received the Mortimer Goodman Award from the St. Louis chapter of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill for outstanding contributions to mental-health services. ...

Diane Elze, Ph.D., assistant professor at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, was appointed to the Council for Social Work Education's Commission on Sexual Orientation and Gender Expression. She also presented "Risk and Protective Factors Associated with Substance Use Among Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Adolescents" at the 128th annual meeting of the American Public Health Association in Boston and "Risk and Protective Factors Associated with Internalizing and Externalizing Problems Among Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Adolescents" at the fifth annual conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in Atlanta. ...

Angela Miller, Ph.D., associate professor of art history and archeology in Arts & Sciences, is leading a team of three researchers collaborating on a survey of the visual arts in America, titled "American Encounters: The Arts and Cultural Identity, From the Beginning to the Present." The team has received a grant from the Mellon Foundation to assist in the formulation of ARTSTOR, a comprehensive new Web site devoted to visual culture across history. As consultants, Miller and her co-authors will help shape a resource of great value to various disciplines working with American visual culture. ...

Ron Cytron, Ph.D., associate

professor of computer science, has been named editor in chief of *Transactions on Programming Languages and Systems*, a peer-reviewed journal published six times a year by the Association of Computing Machinery. ...

To press

Wendy Auslander, Ph.D., associate professor at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, published an article on "The Short-Term Impact of a Health Promotion Program for Low-Income African-American Women" with **James Herbert Williams**, Ph.D., assistant dean for academic affairs and associate professor, and **Hope M. Krebill**, project coordinator, in the journal *Research on Social Work Practice*. ...

Nancy Morrow-Howell, Ph.D., associate professor at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, and **Enola Proctor**, Ph.D., the Frank J. Bruno Professor of Social Work Research and director of the Center for Mental Health Services Research, published an article on "Service Needs of Depressed Older Adults Following Acute Psychiatric Care" in the journal *Aging and Mental Health*, and presented "Post-acute Service Use and Disposition of Older Adults Hospitalized for Depression" at the Gerontological Society of America conference in Washington, D.C. ...

Martha N. Ozawa, Ph.D., the Bettie Bofinger Brown Professor of Social Policy at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, published articles on "Marital Status and Change in Income Status 10 Years After Retirement" and "Differences in Net Worth Between Black Elderly Persons and White Elderly Persons" in the journal *Aging and Social Work: The Changing Landscapes*. She also published "Increasing Income Inequality Among Children" in the *Journal of Poverty: Innovations on Social, Political and Economic Inequalities*; "The Economic Impact of Widowhood, Divorce, and Separation on Non-aged Women"

in the *Journal of Social Policy and Social Work*; and "How Can You Improve Social Work Education in Japan? Start with the Development of Faculty," in *Aging Population 21st Century: Japan and the United States*. ...

Speaking of

Sally Haywood, administrator for the Center for Mental Health Services Research at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, presented "Social Work Research Development Center: Research Findings," at the National Association of Social Workers conference in Baltimore. ...

Michael Polgar, Ph.D.,

research associate at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, presented "What Impedes Youth Mental Health Service Use?" with **Arlene R. Stiffman**, Ph.D., the Barbara A. Bailey Professor and director of the Comorbidity and Addictions Center, at a session on "A System of Care for Children's Mental Health" at the Florida Mental Health Institute's 13th Annual Research Conference in Tampa, Fla. He published "New Patterns of Community Care: Coordinated Services for Dually Diagnosed Adults in North Carolina" in the *Journal of Health and Human Services Administration*. He also presented "Family Burden and Support Associated with

Homeless Populations" with **David E. Pollio**, Ph.D., associate professor of social work, and **Carol North**, M.D., associate professor of psychiatry at the School of Medicine, at an American Public Health Association conference in Boston. ...

Letha Ann Chadiha, Ph.D., associate professor at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work and the Hartford Geriatric Social Work Faculty Scholar, presented "Beyond Coping: An Empowerment Intervention with African-American Women Caregivers of Dependent Low Income Elders," at the Gerontological Society of America's 53rd Annual Scientific Meeting, in Washington, D.C.



"It's time to make some choices" Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton asks students if they'd prefer vegetarian or meat-lover's pizza during a humorous moment in this year's Choices 101 on Saturday in Edison Theatre. The program was billed as an introduction to the first-year college experience. It included a series of thought-provoking and entertaining skits about the freshman year, presented by upperclass students.

International programs seek volunteers

Interested in other cultures? Can you make a small commitment of time once a week or once a month?

The University's Office for International Students and Scholars is currently seeking volunteers to help with the Speak English With Us and the Host Family programs.

The Host Family program is designed to promote cultural exchange between international students and local volunteers. As part of the program, volunteers

invite students to share in family celebrations, as well as sports or cultural events, at least once a month.

Volunteers may be from single or multigenerational households. Host Families do not provide living accommodations for the students.

The Speak English With Us program matches community volunteers with international students, faculty and researchers from both the Hilltop and Medical campuses who want to

improve their understanding of English culture. Volunteers meet with participants once a week at a mutually convenient location. Volunteers are not required to be trained teachers or have any special language skills.

For more information, call the Office for International Students and Scholars at 935-5910 or e-mail stix@aismail.wustl.edu.

Orientation for volunteers will be from 10-11:30 a.m. Sept. 22 at the Alumni House.

Campus Authors

Rebecca Dresser, J.D., professor of law and ethics in medicine

When Science Offers Salvation: Patient Advocacy and Research Ethics

(Oxford University Press, 2001)

Biomedical research today has a high public profile, largely because of patient advocacy. Following in the footsteps of

HIV/AIDS activists, advocates representing an array of patient groups are now vocal partners in the research enterprise. Advocates want research practices and policies to be more responsive to the people who must live with the burdens of illness. This book shows how advocates have transformed health research, often — but not always — for the better.

Dresser is the first to examine patient advocacy through the lens of research ethics. She reveals the many ways in which a quest for cures and improved therapies shapes advocacy work.

She exposes the bright and dark sides of patients' expanded opportunities to enroll in clinical trials and join research-

ers in planning and evaluating studies. She considers the virtues and drawbacks of giving patients more influence over how the government invests its research dollars. She argues that advocates should do more to promote ethical human studies

and responsible media reporting about research.

Patient advocates can help make research more ethical, but advocacy raises ethical issues of its own. This book clearly and vividly recounts the advocacy contribution to research and explores the thorny ethical issues facing research advocates.



Task force creates information policy for University

The Information Security Task Force, made up of members from throughout the University Community and chaired by Shirley Baker, vice chancellor for information technology and dean of University Libraries, has crafted an information security policy to help maintain the security of University information. The policy has been approved by the Faculty Senate Council and the University Council.

The University's policy identifies key concerns and issues faced by the University community. It strives for a balance between the University's desire to promote and enhance the free exchange of ideas and its need for security of critical information and systems.

The information security

policy explains the needs for information technology security, specifies the categories of such security, indicates the information technology security responsibilities and roles, and identifies appropriate levels of security through standards and guidelines. The policy establishes an overarching security policy and direction for the University. Individual schools and departments are expected to establish standards, guidelines and operating procedures that adhere to and reference this policy while addressing their specific and individual needs.

For more information, visit www.wustl.edu/policies/infosecurity.html.

Along with Baker, task force members included: Jan M. Weller, assistant vice chancellor,

network and library technology; Denise R. Hirschbeck, director of computing and information systems; Paul Schoening, interim director and associate dean of the School of Medicine library; Lori E. Fox, associate general counsel; Barbara A. Feiner, vice chancellor for finance and chief financial officer; Richard A. Chole, the Lindburg Professor of Otolaryngology and professor of molecular biology and pharmacology; Dennis J. Martin, associate vice chancellor and associate dean in Arts & Sciences; Ann B. Prenatt, executive director of human resources; Gracia-Catalin Roman, professor of computer science; and Cynthia S. White, director of sponsored research services.

Washington People

Besides being associate professor of English and director of African and Afro-American studies (AFAS), both in Arts & Sciences, Rafia Zafar, Ph.D., has committed her spare time to taking care of Al Gore.

Al Gore not being the former vice president, but rather the family's pet lizard, a 14-inch Australian bearded dragon.

"We named him Al Gore because my son, who is 9, is very much into presidents," Zafar said. "A lot of people make cracks about him being named Al Gore, but I guess taking care of Al Gore would be one of my hobbies."

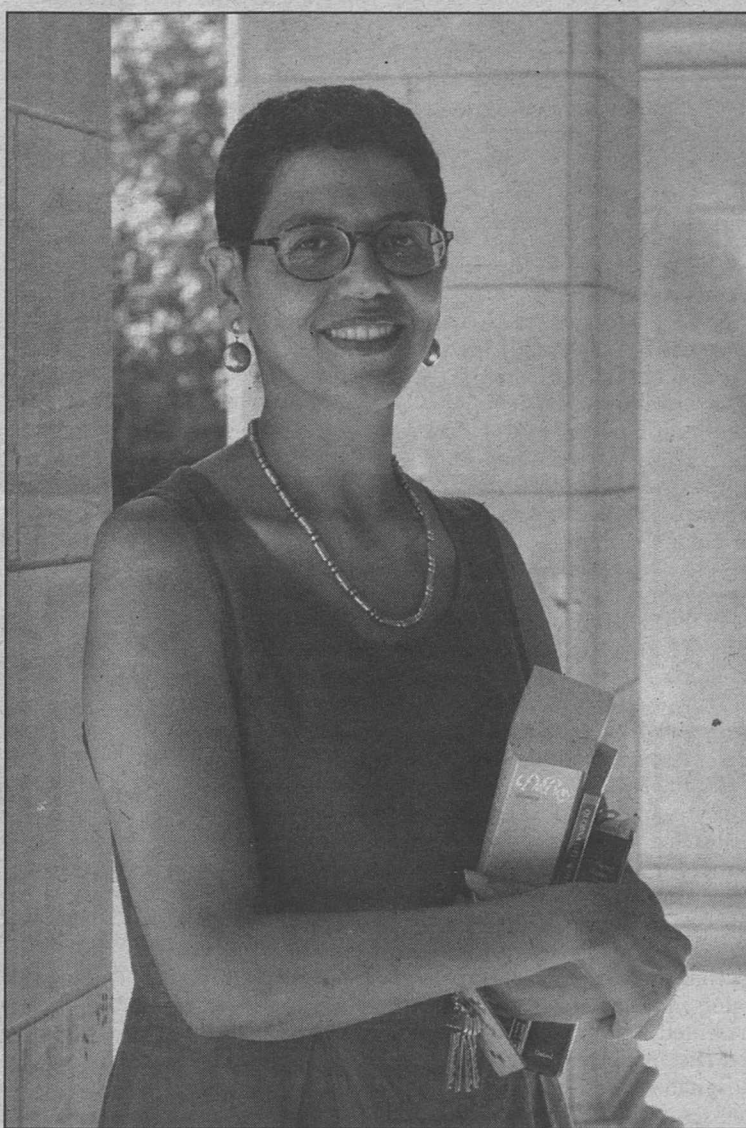
But while feeding interesting pets may take up some of her time away from the University, Zafar's commitment here is to students and their education.

"I really love teaching," she said. "I enjoy interacting with students and getting to know them on an academic and personal level."

Zafar earned a doctorate in the history of American civilization from Harvard University and a master's in English and comparative literature from Columbia University. Her undergraduate degree is from City College in New York.

Program growth

Zafar came to Washington University in June 1998 after spending eight years teaching English, African-American



Rafia Zafar, Ph.D., director of African and Afro-American studies and associate professor of English, both in Arts & Sciences, enjoys writing, research and the interaction with students her position provides.

Solidifying African-American studies

As director, Rafia Zafar, Ph.D., has reshaped and revitalized the program

By NEIL SCHOENHERR

studies and American studies at University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Zafar was hired here to assume the role of director of AFAS, a position she said she has enjoyed.

"One of the big goals I had when I took over the African and Afro-American studies program here was to add more tenure and tenure-track faculty to the program and to expand the curriculum," Zafar said. "We now have 10 core faculty, in addition to some wonderful part-time faculty. AFAS was also

one of the first units to offer a senior capstone seminar to majors. I thought that was wonderful when I learned that AFAS had been a trendsetter. We also have a wide variety of class offerings in African studies and African-American studies."

Zafar's colleagues are taking notice of her efforts to expand the program.

"Rafia Zafar has, with bulldog tenacity, greatly reshaped and revitalized African and Afro-American studies at Washington University," said Gerald L. Early, the Merle Kling Professor of Modern Letters in English and AFAS, both in Arts & Sciences. "She deserves a great deal of credit for much of what the program has achieved in the last several years."

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According to Zafar, AFAS is an academic discipline born out of struggle and agitation.

"Afro and African-American studies is important because for many years the impact of African-American people or people of

African descent just was not recognized or taught," Zafar said. "In an ideal world, African and African-American topics would be part of the regular history classes. If you took American politics, it would be woven in. If you took U.S. history, you could count on it being woven in. The contributions of women, immigrants and labor would be woven in as well."

"Maybe in the future there won't be African-American studies, there won't be women's

differently from public schools," she said. "One big difference I've noticed is the amount of rules and bureaucracy at a state school. Here, things can be accomplished much more quickly. Working here, you have the advantage of a college but the energy and research capacity of a university. That really encourages faculty in research and writing."

Writing, editing

Although she lists the impulse to garden and being a parent as hobbies, Zafar said her writing and research has in many ways taken the place of a hobby. She has written one book and co-edited two others; a fourth is under contract to Oxford University Press. Among other projects Zafar has completed is

a literary history.

"I have almost finished part of Volume 6 of the Cambridge History of American Literature," she said. "It's in the editing stage

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studies, but I think that's a long, long way away. People have always been interested in concentrating in specific areas, and I think that will continue."

WU advantages

Zafar is married to William Paul, Ph.D., director of film and media studies in Arts & Sciences.

"We met at University of Michigan," she said. "Although we both had been living in Cambridge, we had to move to Ann Arbor to meet."

Zafar really enjoys having her husband on the same campus.

"It's great — it's a lot of fun to be working together, and we get to see each other during the day sometimes," she said. "The only downside is we talk a lot of shop!"

So far, Zafar said, she enjoys working at the University but is still learning about it.

"Private schools operate very

now. My contribution is a narrative of Harlem Renaissance novelists."

Zafar's first book was on African-American writers before 1870 called "We Wear the Mask," named for the Paul Laurence Dunbar poem.

The first book she co-edited was the memoirs of her great-great-grandfather, "God Made Man, Man Made the Slave: The Autobiography of George Teamoh," published in 1992.

"He was a runaway slave and went back to the South after the Civil War and found his wife and one of his children," Zafar said.

"He became one of the first elected black officials in Virginia during reconstruction, helping to rewrite the state Constitution, and serving as state senator from Portsmouth."

She also co-edited a collection of essays by Harriet Jacobs, another 19th-century autobiographer and activist.

Zafar's main area of interest is 19th-century American literary history.

"My new book, which might be done by 2003, is a study of food and American literary identity," she said. "I'm interested in how food helps people to construct an image of themselves."

Zafar said she would also like to revisit an essay on Spencer Williams, who was best known as Andy in the hit television series Amos and Andy.

"People know him as this caricature, this stereotype, but one of the fascinating things about Williams is that before Amos and Andy he was an independent black filmmaker, which a lot of people don't know," Zafar said. "The essay I'm writing is about one of the films he produced and directed called 'Blood of Jesus' from 1941, which is a weirdly beautiful, very expressionistic film about the African-American community."

Zafar is also interested in material culture, which she says comes out of her American studies background.

"I'm interested in objects, the physical nature of American identity, how people can be identified and reconstructed by examining gardens, baskets or the way people eat, worship or even build buildings," she said.

Although Zafar gets satisfaction from her research and her role as director of African and Afro-American studies, she is ready to start teaching more courses and interact more with students. This fall she is teaching a course on African-American literature before the Harlem Renaissance.

"I haven't been teaching as much as I'd like because I'm directing the program," she said. "That takes a lot of my time, so I usually only teach one course per semester. I'd like to have more interaction with the undergraduates. If I were teaching more classes I would get the chance to know them better. And I did become an academic because I enjoy teaching."

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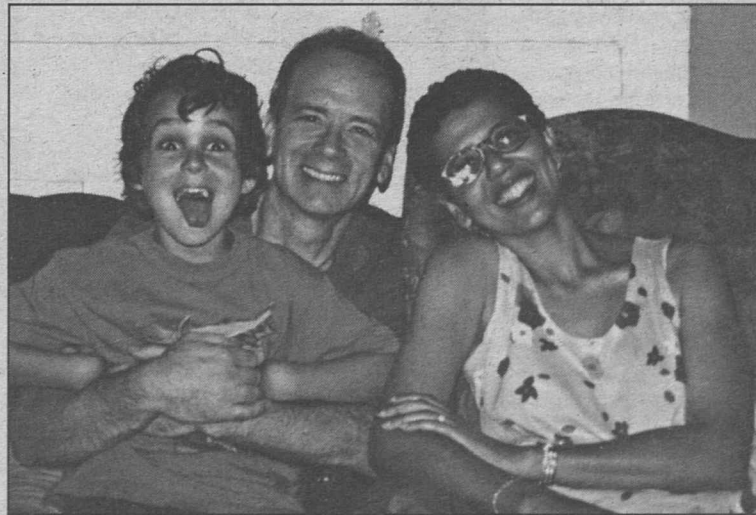
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Rafia Zafar relaxes at home with her husband William Paul, director of film and media studies in Arts & Sciences, and their son, Nathan, 9.