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Four benefit plans receive enhancements

By ANDY CLENDENNEN

Effective July 1, the University is enhancing four benefit plans that will impact faculty and nonunion staff members.

Enhancements are being made in the areas of employee undergraduate tuition; dependent-child undergraduate tuition; long-term disability insurance; and the University health contribution.

"The enhancements are the

result of the University's periodic review of the philosophy and competitiveness of the benefit program and to respond to specific employee requests," said Tom Lauman, director of benefits in human resources. "Our benefit plans are very comprehensive. Still, we know that they will not meet the needs of all of our faculty and staff members, so it is important for us to take into consideration their requests as we

compare our benefits to other employers."

One of the enhancements will be in **employee undergraduate tuition**. Full-time faculty and staff who take undergraduate evening or day courses will be reimbursed for 100 percent of tuition charges. Currently, the reimbursement is 50 percent.

The change will be effective coincident with the first semester after July 1, and up to seven hours

per semester may be reimbursed.

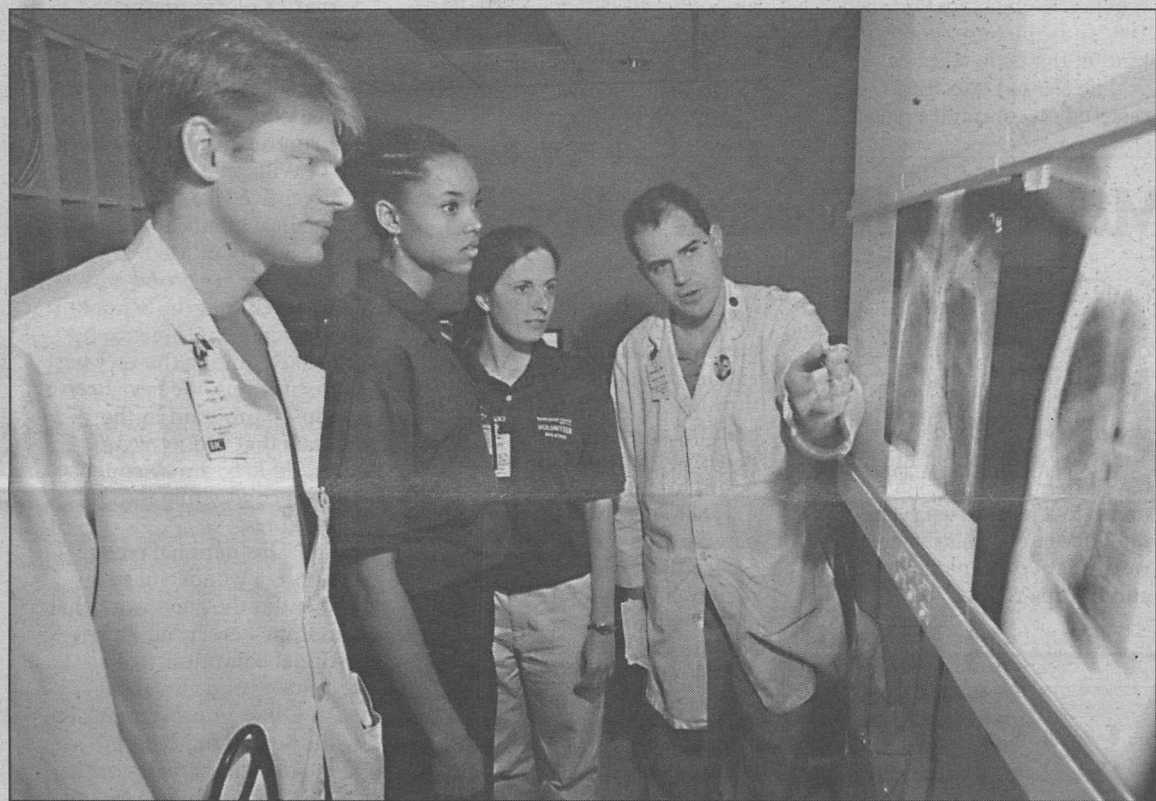
For those regular full-time faculty and staff who take graduate courses, the tuition remission benefit remains at 50 percent.

Another area getting a new look is the **dependent-child undergraduate tuition** plan. Currently just available to full-time faculty and staff members, this benefit will now be extended

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The Office of Human Resources will hold employee informational meetings during the week of April 22 to help faculty and staff better understand these important benefit-plan enhancements and the upcoming health-benefit changes. For a full schedule of meetings, see Page 6.



(From left) Steven Lorber, M.D., Reagan Robinson, Lauren Sterner and Paul Stareteig, M.D., examine chest X-rays in the Barnes-Jewish Hospital emergency room. Robinson and Sterner are in the EM-STAR program, which allows Arts & Sciences undergrads to have a first-hand look at how an emergency department works.

Experience, stat! Program gets undergrads into the ER

By ANDY CLENDENNEN

As part of an innovative partnership between the University and Barnes-Jewish Hospital, a select group of undergraduates are getting a first-hand look at life in an emergency room.

Thirty Arts & Sciences students who plan on pursuing a medical career are participating in the Emergency Medicine-

Scholastic Training and Research (EM-STAR) program. Steven Lorber, M.D., a second-year resident in emergency medicine, started the groundbreaking new program.

"As a relatively new specialty, emergency medicine offers students the opportunity to participate in research that will advance the practice in areas as yet unexplored," Lorber said. "By

allowing undergraduates interested in careers in medicine to pursue research activities within an active department, they see what patient care is all about."

Currently, students are participating in the Geriatric Abdominal Pain Project (GAPP) study, headed by Lawrence M. Lewis, M.D., associate professor of medicine in the School of Medicine and chief of the Division of Emergency Medicine at Barnes-Jewish Hospital.

"We are very excited about getting the undergraduate students involved," Lewis said. "Students have exposure to academic medicine in a very practical setting, and their contribution to our research is greatly appreciated."

As a multicenter project, the GAPP study was initiated because abdominal pain is a common, and often confusing, complaint in elderly patients reporting to the emergency department. Research for this study is organized around developing a more enlightened approach to diagnosing and treating this particular population.

Given the level of patient interaction, everyone involved in

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Third annual Harris community service award given to Libermans

Designated to benefit Forest Park Forever

By BARBARA REA

A unique tradition of community giving continued recently at the third annual presentation of the Jane and Whitney Harris Saint Louis Community Service Award.

This year's recipients of the award are Ann and Lee Liberman.

The award, administered by the University and presented by Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton in a ceremony at Harbison House, is the gift of the late Jane Freund Harris and Whitney Harris.

They established the award in 1999 to be given to a husband and wife who are dedicated to improving the St. Louis region. A \$25,000 cash prize is then designated to the nonprofit organization of the couple's choice.

The Libermans' chosen charity is Forest Park Forever, an organization devoted to the preservation and continued enhancement of the park as a historic treasure and as a recreational and cultural center.

"Like the Harrises, the Libermans are renowned throughout the St. Louis community for their remarkable generosity, compassion and dedication," Wrighton said. "They exemplify the best qualities of service to their fellow citizens."

"During their life together, Jane and Whitney were shining examples of generosity to those in

need in our community. Jane's legacy lives on in very tangible ways through this award."

Wrighton added, "I am personally grateful for the many contributions Ann and Lee Liberman have made to Washington University and to the greater St. Louis community."

The annual award program is open to all husband-and-wife couples in the metropolitan area, in accordance with Jane Harris' bequest.

William H. Danforth, chancellor emeritus, vice chairman of the Board of Trustees and outgoing chair of the selection committee, said: "Lee and Ann exemplify the very best of the best community boosters we have in St. Louis. They are revered as civic leaders and as champions of great causes."

At the ceremony, Wrighton presented the gift to Forest Park Forever on behalf of the Libermans.

On hand to help celebrate the Libermans lifelong commitment to community service were Whitney Harris and his wife, Anna, as well as his son and daughter-in-law, Eugene and Debbie Harris.

In addition to this community service award, Whitney Harris' generosity to the University spans decades and has supported a range of schools, departments, resources and scholarships, most notably for the School of Law and the libraries.

In 1981, Harris donated his collection of books and docu-

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Questions and answers Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton responds to a question at the "Chat With the Chancellor" April 2 in the Women's Building Formal Lounge. Wrighton addressed several topics raised by the University-community audience during the question-and-answer forum hosted by the Office of Human Resources.



At the recent ceremony and presentation of the Jane and Whitney Harris Saint Louis Community Service Award are (from left) Whitney and Anna Harris; Joseph C. White, vice chairman of the board of Forest Park Forever; Ann and Lee Liberman; and James F. Mann, president and executive director of Forest Park Forever.

Outstanding faculty mentors receive awards, recognition

By ANDY CLENDENNEN

There is more to teaching than just teaching.

Recognizing this, the Graduate Student Senate of the Graduate School of Arts & Sciences has awarded four Outstanding Faculty Mentor Awards for this year. Additionally, 37 other faculty mentors received certificates of recognition.

Receiving an Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award were Marcus C. Berliant, Ph.D., professor of economics; David Lawton, Ph.D., professor of English and chair of that department; Paul Michael Lützel, Ph.D., professor of Germanic languages and literatures, the Rosa May Distinguished University Professor in the Humanities and the director of the Max Kade Center for Contemporary German Literature; and Patty Jo Watson, Ph.D., professor of anthropology and of archaeology and the Edward Mallinckrodt Distinguished University Professor.

The awards are co-sponsored by the Graduate Student Senate and the Graduate School in Arts & Sciences.

Berliant is a fellow at the Washington University Center in Political Economy. His teaching

and research fields include mathematical economics, public finance, location theory/urban economics, microeconomics and econometrics. Berliant has supervised more than 20 student theses in his academic career, including five completed since he arrived at the University in 1994.

He recently was named visiting associate in economics at the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences at the California Institute of Technology. This is the second time in the three years of the faculty mentor award that Berliant has been honored.

Lawton came to the University in 1998 and became chair of the English department in January. He has published five books and many articles in English literary and cultural studies and in medieval studies. He will become executive director of the New Chaucer Society when it moves to Washington University in July.

He has served as main adviser on more than 20 doctoral dissertations and helped steer several toward publication. Some of his former students hold tenured or tenurable academic positions in Australia, Japan, Great Britain and the United States.

Lützel is the founding director of the Max Kade Center



Receiving Outstanding Faculty Mentor Awards April 5 are (from left) David Lawton, Ph.D.; Ingrid Lützel (wife of award-winner Paul Michael Lützel, Ph.D., who was out of the country; she accepted the award on his behalf); Patty Jo Watson, Ph.D.; and Marcus C. Berliant, Ph.D.

More online

Go to record.wustl.edu for a list of the 37 faculty members who received certificates of recognition.

for Contemporary German Literature at the University. The center promotes teaching and research of modern German literature and supports intellectual exchange between American scholars and students and German, Austrian and Swiss writers, critics, students and scholars in the field. Founded in 1984, it is the only center of its kind in the United States.

Lützel has directed 33 dissertation committees and has

received Fulbright, Woodrow Wilson and Guggenheim fellowships. He also has published nine books.

Watson's areas of interest include prehistoric subsistence, technology, economy, environment, and processualist archaeology, as well as the variety of postprocessualist challenges currently being voiced. Her courses range from introductory archaeology to advanced work in Near Eastern archaeology and in Eastern Woodlands and Southwestern U.S. history.

Watson is especially interested in archaeological theory and field methods. She is especially well known for her work with artifacts left by prehistoric people who explored and mined portions of the world's longest cave — Kentucky's Mammoth Cave system.

Extraterrestrial life focus of McDonnell Lecture April 19

By TONY FITZPATRICK

"Extraterrestrial Life? So What?" is the inaugural presentation of the McDonnell Lectures, a new series featuring distinguished lecturers sponsored by the University's McDonnell Center for the Space Sciences in Arts & Sciences.

Bruce Jakosky, Ph.D., professor of geological sciences and director

of the University of Colorado Center for Astrobiology, will speak at 7:30 p.m. April 19 in Brown Hall, Room 100. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Jakosky will explore the connections — scientific and human — between space exploration and our society.

"Twenty years ago, we thought that there was exactly one planet in our solar system on which life

could exist: the Earth," Jakosky said. "Since then, revolutions in our understanding of life on Earth and of the nature of the planets and satellites in our solar system have changed this view. Today, we believe that life might have originated, or might exist, on up to a half-dozen planets or satellites in our solar system, and we are actively exploring Mars and Europa to look for life."

The recent discovery of planets orbiting other stars opens up the possibility that Earth-like planets and life could be widespread throughout our galaxy. As well as being of scientific interest, the issues of life elsewhere attract great public attention.

There are strong connections between science and society, especially between exploration and society, and, said Jakosky, these are all too often ignored by the science community.

"In particular, I will discuss the philosophical significance of our searching for extraterrestrial life, and what it would mean to find it — or to search and not find it," he said.

The McDonnell Center for the Space Sciences is a consortium of Washington University faculty, research staff and students from the departments of Earth and Planetary Sciences, Physics and Chemistry, all in Arts & Sciences, and also the electrical engineering department. The center exists to encourage collaborative research efforts among scientists working on space science problems and projects that span traditional scientific disciplines through the sponsorship of cooperative research and formal activities such as the McDonnell Lectures.

For more information about the McDonnell Lectures, call 935-5332.

U.S. News

School of Medicine ranked 3rd

According to graduate and professional rankings released recently by *U.S. News and World Report* magazine, the Washington University School of Medicine now ranks 3rd in the nation, as compared with a tie for 4th in 2001.

U.S. News ranked 18 of Washington University's graduate and professional programs in the nation's top 10, according to Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton.

"We are pleased to see a steady growth in the recognition of the quality of our graduate and professional programs — which reflects the superb faculty and students who teach, learn and do research here," Wrighton said. "The fact that 18 of our graduate-level programs are now ranked in the nation's top 10 by *U.S. News* is gratifying evidence of our strengths in many academic disciplines."

William A. Peck, M.D., executive vice chancellor for medical affairs and dean of the School of Medicine, said, "We are proud and honored that the School of Medicine continues to be ranked among the very best institutions. We have been a top-10 program in the 15 years that *U.S. News and World Report* magazine has been conducting these rankings."

"This national recognition is a wonderful testament to the great work that is done here by an exceptional community of scholars and clinicians."

Other improvements in the School of Medicine include an increase for the AIDS program to a tie for 10th in the nation from a previous tie for 12th. Cell biology was ranked for the first time at number 10, as was molecular biology.

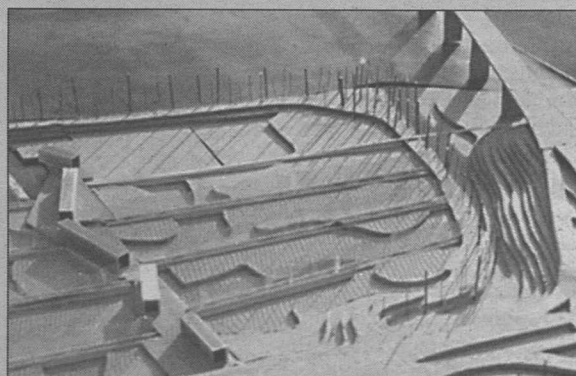
The drug and alcohol abuse program rose from a tie for 10th to 8th, and internal medicine rose from 5th to 4th. Pediatrics rose from 7th to 6th.

Another dramatic improvement includes a rise from a ranking of 14th to 6th for the clinical training program in the School of Law. Overall, the law school rose from a tie for 26th in the nation to a tie for 25th.



Steedman honors

Above, at the April 8 awards ceremony for the School of Architecture's Steedman Fellowship, are (from left) Australian architect Glen Murcutt, the Ruth and Norman Moore Visiting Professor; Bill Wischmeyer, adjunct associate professor; landscape architect Tom Oslund of Minneapolis; Finnish architect Juhani Pallasmaa, the Raymond E. Maritz Visiting Professor; and Ann Rivers Mack, project director for the Resource Center. An international jury of architects and designers awarded the 2002 Steedman Fellowship to Virginia architect Schaeffer Somers for his theoretical design of the proposed Great Rivers Resource Center, marking the confluence of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers. The biennial competition is open to young architects from around the world and carries a first-place award of \$30,000 to support study and research abroad — the largest such prize in the United States. At above right is Somers' winning design.



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School of Medicine Update

Nerbonne and Ornitz named alumni endowed professors

By GILA Z. RECKESS

Jeanne M. Nerbonne, Ph.D., and David M. Ornitz, M.D., Ph.D., each have been named an Alumni Endowed Professor of Molecular Biology and Pharmacology in the School of Medicine. Alumni professorships combine unrestricted gifts from medical alumni and former house staff with gifts from friends of the School of Medicine.

"The Washington University Medical Center Alumni Association launched these professorships in 1978 to help attract and retain renowned physicians and scientists," said William A. Peck, M.D., executive vice chancellor for medical affairs and dean of the School of Medicine. "Nerbonne and Ornitz already have made significant contributions to the field of molecular biology, and we are delighted to honor them with these positions."

Nerbonne's research focuses on defining the molecular mechanisms that control electrical activity in the heart and the changes that occur in heart disease. Most of her work centers on one class of molecules — voltage-gated potassium (K^+) selective ion channels. These channels mediate K^+ movement across the membranes of individual cardiac muscle cells, thereby maintaining the normal rhythm of the heart. Indeed, in some congenital and acquired cardiac arrhythmias, mutations in the genes that encode K^+ channel proteins produce rhythmic disturbances that can cause sudden death.

"We would like to understand how these channels function in the normal heart," Nerbonne said, "and we would like to know how to control their activity so that we might stop or prevent cardiac arrhythmias."

Nerbonne combines biochemistry, molecular genetics and electrophysiology to investigate the expression and function of these channels. Her team provided the first definitive proof that cardiac cells express multiple types of voltage-gated K^+ channels with distinct properties and functional roles. The team discovered that variations in the expression levels of these channels in different regions of the heart are critical for maintaining normal cardiac electrical activity and have demonstrated that manipulating the expression of the genes encoding these channels can have profound physiological consequences.

Nerbonne's team also has pioneered efforts aimed at defining the molecular structures of voltage-gated cardiac K^+ channels and has shown that distinct genes encode each of the various K^+ channels identified thus far.

She and her colleagues also have shown that there are marked changes in the expression and the properties of voltage-gated K^+ channels in patients with chronic heart rhythm abnormalities, as well as in a variety of other

myocardial disease states.

"These findings," Nerbonne said, "suggest that there are common pathways in a variety of cardiac diseases that lead to altered K^+ channel expression and functioning. We would now like to define the underlying molecular mechanisms involved in mediating these changes and to identify means to reverse these changes to prevent rhythm disturbances and restore normal cardiac function."

In addition to her extensive research on the heart, Nerbonne also has pioneered investigations into the molecular basis of K^+ channels in the central and peripheral nervous systems.

Nerbonne has received several honors and awards for her work, including an Established Investigator Award from the American Heart Association. She also is a Founding Fellow in Basic Cardiovascular Sciences of the American Heart Association.

While Nerbonne studies electrical communication between cells in the heart and the nervous system, Ornitz's work examines a form of chemical communication between developing cells throughout the body. He is known for his research on fibroblast growth factors (FGFs) — a family of proteins that regulate cell development — and FGF receptors — proteins on the surface of cells onto which FGFs bind.

Early in his career, Ornitz identified a molecule that could trigger FGFs to communicate with cells. He also began examining and cataloging the differences between the 22 known FGFs, a project more than half complete at present.

In exploring the unique roles of each FGF, Ornitz has identified several critical developmental functions. For example, a mutation in FGF receptor 3 appears to cause the most common form of human dwarfism, achondroplasia. This was the first growth factor mutation found to decrease growth. The receptor also seems to be involved in inner ear development.

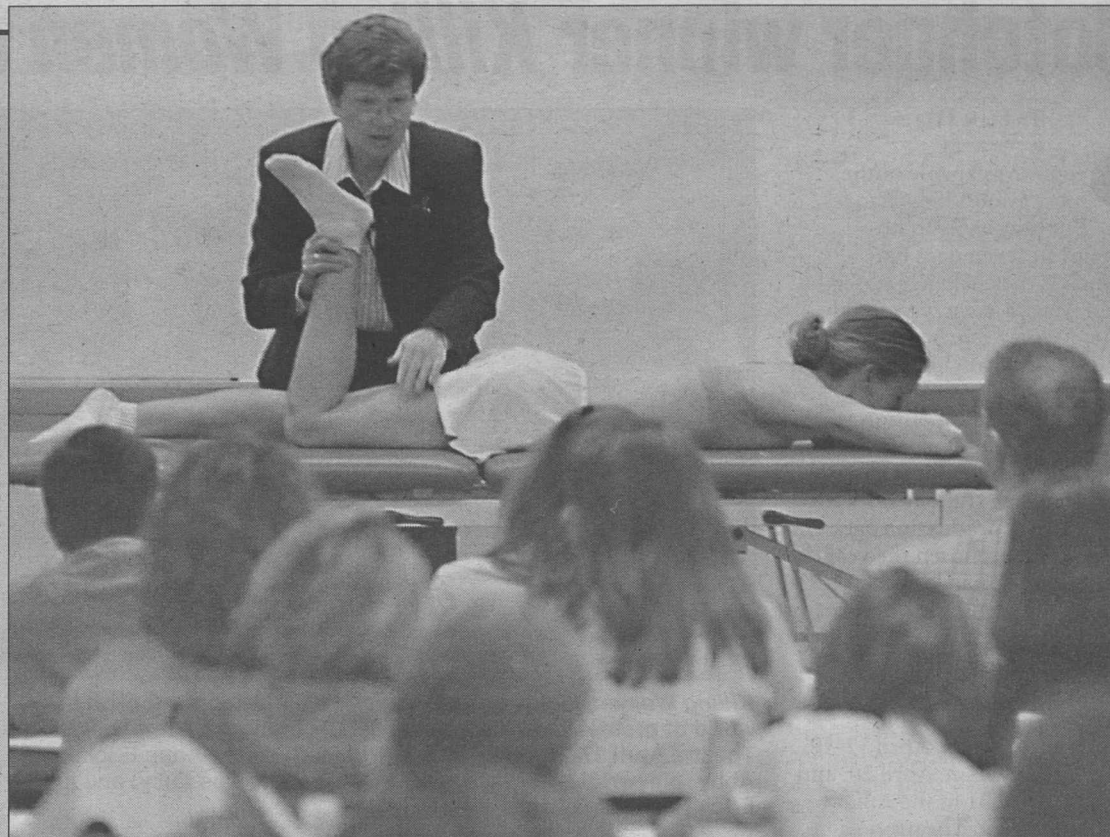
Ornitz's team also discovered that FGF9 is linked to lung development and gender differentiation. Two other growth factors, FGF17 and FGF14, appear to be involved in the development of the central nervous system. Surprisingly, mice that lack FGF14 are anatomically normal but have severe behavioral problems, particularly in the coordination and use of muscles. His most recent work identified FGF18 as a regulator of embryonic bone growth.

"I plan to continue this research into the role of FGFs in development," Ornitz said. "This research is critical for understanding the cause of a wide array of developmental disorders, including those that affect the central nervous system, the lungs, the skeleton and the cardiovascular system."

Ornitz holds four patents for research techniques and has received the American Heart Association Established Investigator Award, the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Young Investigators Award and the Lucille Markey Award for his work.

they receive a Siteman Team T-shirt, the Komen Race packet and pay a discounted registration fee of \$16. Those who register for the race as Siteman Team members also will be automatically registered in a drawing for a \$250 gift certificate at the St. Louis Galleria.

For more information, call 454-5059 or e-mail mar5929@bjc.org.



Demonstrating diagnostics At a course about pain syndromes of the low back, hip and knee, Shirley A. Sahrman, Ph.D., professor of physical therapy and of cell biology and physiology, demonstrates diagnostic techniques on Priscilla Hawley, a first-year physical therapy student. Washington University annually hosts this course for physical therapists. This year, it was held April 6-7 in the 4444 Forest Park Building.

Patient-safety effort includes School of Medicine, BJC

By DARRELL E. WARD

The School of Medicine and BJC HealthCare are participating in a national research initiative to reduce medical errors and improve patient safety.

The \$50 million initiative by the Department of Health and Human Services is funding 94 projects throughout the country. It represents the federal government's largest single investment to address patient deaths related to medical errors. Two of those grants, totaling \$3.3 million, were awarded to the University and BJC. The one-year grants were provided by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality to fund the first phase of a multi-year effort.

Victoria Fraser, M.D., associate professor of medicine at the medical school and director of Infection Control at Barnes-Jewish Hospital, received \$1.9 million to develop a system for identifying and reporting errors and communicating the problem to patients. Bradley Evanoff, M.D., the Richard and Elizabeth Henby Sutter Chair in Occupational and Environmental Medicine and assistant professor of medicine, was awarded \$1.4 million to study factors such as fatigue, stress and organizational culture that can lead to errors.

"Americans presently have one of the safest, most sophisticated health-care systems in the world," Fraser said. "We are looking for ways to make this phenomenal and complex delivery system



Fraser

Evanoff

even safer."

The 13 hospitals in BJC HealthCare, which includes Barnes-Jewish Hospital, have several programs in place to maximize patient safety. But according to W. Claiborne Dunagan, M.D., vice president for quality and director of the Center for Healthcare Quality and Effectiveness with BJC, these new studies will go beyond current knowledge and have a broader scope than most patient-safety studies.

"These grants are an incredible boost to our patient-safety efforts," said Dunagan, who is a co-principal investigator on Fraser's grant. "We will be exchanging innovative patient-safety ideas with other centers around the country, accelerating our access to new information."

The fundamental problem, according to Fraser, is that health-care delivery involves a complex interaction of many people who rely on written and verbal communication.

"There is great potential for miscommunication, misunderstanding and errors," Fraser said. "We plan to develop a system that has built-in checks and balances and incorporates technology that

reduces the risk of human error."

To achieve that, Fraser's study will probe how health-care workers communicate about errors with one another and with patients. Her team will work with the University's School of Engineering & Applied Science, the Olin School of Business and the Program in Health Administration and will seek ideas from fields such as aviation safety and automotive safety. "We hope to learn from industries with special expertise in error identification and prevention and to apply some of their methods and programs to health-care," Fraser said.

Evanoff will lead a team of researchers examining how working conditions within a system or organization increase the possibility of errors and affect quality of care. He believes factors such as inadequate staffing or working while in pain due, for example, to lifting a patient, contribute to poor-quality care.

"Rather than lay blame, we must recognize that health-care professionals are educated, highly skilled people working to provide expert, compassionate care for patients," Evanoff said. "We want to learn what it is about their working environment that increases the possibility of errors."

Dunagan, also associate professor of medicine, is a co-investigator on Evanoff's grant, and the two groups plan to work closely together. Both projects seek to develop new technology, new educational programs and new ways of providing service to make health care safer.

Scott Fraser to give Oliver Lowry lecture April 17

Scott E. Fraser, Ph.D., director of the Biological Imaging Center at the Beckman Institute of Technology, will present the 2002 Oliver Lowry Lecture in Bioorganic Chemistry at 4 p.m. April 17 in Moore Auditorium. It is located on the first floor of the North Building, 4580 Scott Ave.

Fraser also is the Anna L. Rosen Professor of Biology at Cal Tech. He is well known for developing new imaging techniques and experimental strategies that allow single-cell resolution studies of key biological

processes that occur in intact organisms early in their development. His group has refined cell micro-injection techniques to permit the rapid and reliable injection of single cells in living embryos with vital dyes or other reagents. The marked cell and its progeny then can be followed using video, laser scanning confocal, laser scanning two-photon or magnetic resonance microscopy. These powerful methods have been used to examine the role of cell interactions, intercellular signals and gene regulatory mechanisms in

model organisms from the frog to the mouse.

The Lowry lecture is held annually to honor the contributions of the late Oliver H. Lowry, M.D., Ph.D., to science, to the Department of Molecular Biology and Pharmacology and to Washington University. Lowry, a world-renowned biochemist and member of the National Academy of Sciences, was department head from 1947-1976 and from 1989-1990. He also served as dean of the School of Medicine from 1955-58.

Siteman Cancer Center co-sponsoring race

The Alvin J. Siteman Cancer Center at Barnes-Jewish Hospital and Washington University School of Medicine is co-sponsoring the June 22 Komen St. Louis Race for the Cure. If Washington University students, employees, family and friends register as members of the Siteman Race Team by May 28,

University Events

Hotchner winner *Killing Women* to be featured by PAD

By LIAM OTTEN

People are capable of the most astounding changes. But housewife to hit-woman? In seven days flat?

Such is the challenge posed by junior Marisa Wegrzyn's darkly comic *Killing Women*, winner of the 2001 A.E. Hotchner Playwriting Competition.

The annual competition is sponsored by the Performing Arts Department in Arts & Sciences and selects one student work for full theatrical production each year. (Winners chosen the year prior to performance and playwrights spend the interim refining scripts and participating in the annual A.E. Hotchner Play Development Lab each fall.)

Performances of *Killing Women* are at 8 p.m. April 17-18, at 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. April 20, and at 2 p.m. April 21 in the A.E. Hotchner Studio Theatre, Mallinckrodt Student Center, Room 208.

Killing Women centers on the character of Abby (senior Anne Erickson), a driven yet principled professional in the traditionally male-dominated world of murder-for-hire. Now gunning for promotion, Abby is dispatched to revenge a recently departed colleague but soon discovers the man's killer to be his own wife, Gwen (junior Erica Nagel), an almost terminally nice young mother left few options by her



Killing Women, junior Marisa Wegrzyn's darkly comic look at the world of professional hit-women, debuts in the A.E. Hotchner Studio Theatre April 17-21. Pictured are (from left) senior Anne Erickson as Abby; playwright Wegrzyn; senior Allison Koop as Lucy; and junior Erica Nagel as Gwen.

philandering scoundrel of a husband.

Abby, who to this point has only killed men, begins to see Gwen as a potential protégé and is granted, with sister-in-arms Lucy (senior Allison Koop), seven days to complete Gwen's transformation from civilian to assassin. Or else.

"Abby is very forceful, has a bit of a temper and likes to get stuff done," said Wegrzyn, who is majoring in drama and English, both in Arts & Sciences. "She's not

the kind of person to stop at roadblocks, though at times she's a bit clueless about other people." Gwen, meanwhile, "is mostly concerned about her 5-year-old daughter."

William J. Whitaker, senior artist-in-residence in the PAD, who directs the six-member cast, said, "This is really a nifty piece of playwriting about women in the workplace. Rather than tell a straightforward story about making compromises in the business world, Marisa has created

a kind of outrageous hyperbole that just pushes the whole question of Wall Street-style ruthlessness into the stratosphere."

Still, Whitaker explained that for all the black humor and glittering gunmetal, "the central question is, Do women in the workplace need to behave the same way men do?" Lucy, for example, prefers poison needles to macho pistols, easing her victims into an almost relaxing final sleep. And ultimately, Abby's dilemma boils down to figuring out just how far she'll go to stay "one of the boys."

Wegrzyn was previously runner-up in the 2000 Hotchner competition for her *Polar Bears on U.S. 41*, which the author describes as "the story of a young woman who conversed with alphabet soup and the man who comes into her life." In a rare honor, both *Polar Bears* and *Killing Women* were selected for further development by the prestigious WordBRIDGE Playwrights Lab at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Killing Women also stars senior Micah Bevit as Johnny Duke (among other characters), as well as junior Charlie Olson as Ramone and senior Sam O'Connell as Mike Sanders. Costumes and sets are designed by senior Kate Strembecki and junior Cassandra Beaver, respectively.

A.E. Hotchner, a 1940 graduate

Killing Women

Who: Performing Arts Department in Arts & Sciences

What: Play by Marisa Wegrzyn, winner of the 2001 A.E. Hotchner Playwriting Competition

Where: A.E. Hotchner Studio Theatre, Mallinckrodt Student Center, Room 208

When: 8 p.m. April 17-18; 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. April 20; 2 p.m. April 21

Tickets: \$8 for University faculty, staff and students and for senior citizens; \$12 for the general public. Available at the Edison Theatre Box Office, 935-6543, and all MetroTix outlets.

For more information, call 935-6543.

of the University, is the author of numerous screenplays, novels, plays and memoirs, including the 1966 volume *Papa Hemingway*, which recounts his long friendship with the famous writer. His memoir, *King of the Hill*, which recounts growing up in St. Louis, was made into a feature film in 1993.

Tickets for *Killing Women* are \$8 for University faculty, staff and students and for senior citizens; \$12 for the general public. Tickets are available at the Edison Theatre Box Office, 935-6543, and all MetroTix outlets. For more information, call 935-6543.

Wiring the Cell • The End of Cataracts • Great Choruses

"University Events" lists a portion of the activities taking place at Washington University April 12-24. Visit the Web for expanded calendars for the Hilltop Campus (www.wustl.edu/calendar) and the School of Medicine (medschool.wustl.edu/calendars.html).

Exhibitions

"Selections of Works From the Permanent Collection." Through April 12. Gallery of Art re-opens public exhibition spaces. Gallery of Art. 935-4523.

"Typoetica: Typographic Poetry Broadslides, Kinetic Books, & More." Robert C. Smith, prof. emeritus of art. Through April 26. Olin Library, Lvl. 5, Special Collections. 935-5495.

Friday, April 19

4 p.m. "Take Four" art exhibition. "Dreamy." Works of Mary Gonzalez, Grant Miller, and Jesse Thomas. Jessica Bronson, Henry L. and Natalie E. Freund Fellow, curator. Fort Gondo Compound for the Arts, 3151 Cherokee St. 772-3628.

4 p.m. Washington U. Libraries Open House. Kranzberg Studio for the Illustrated Book. West Campus Lower Lvl. 935-5495.

Film

Wednesday, April 17

6:30 p.m. International Film Series. *Why Has Bodhi-Dharma Left for the East?* Youg-kyun Bae, dir. Sponsored by Asian and Near Eastern Languages and Literatures. Ike's Place. 935-5156.

Lectures

Friday, April 12

9:15 a.m. Pediatric Grand Rounds. "Niemann-Pick C: A Disorder of Cholesterol Homeostasis." Daniel Ory, asst. prof. of medicine. Clopton Aud., 4950 Children's Place. 454-6006.

11 a.m. Assembly Series. David Sedaris, author. Graham Chapel. 935-5285.

11 a.m. Chemistry Seminar Series. Bayer Distinguished Lectureship. "The

Supramolecular Chemistry of Dendrimers." E.W. Meijer, prof. of macromolecular and organic chemistry, Eindhoven U. of Technology, the Netherlands. McMillen Lab., Rm. 311. 935-6530.

Noon. Cell Biology and Physiology Seminar Series. "Initiation of Meiotic Development in *C. elegans*." Tim Schedl, assoc. prof. of genetics. McDonnell Medical Sciences Bldg., Rm. 426. 362-6950.

4 p.m. Anatomy and Neurobiology Seminar Series. Andreas Burkhalter, assoc. prof. of anatomy and neurobiology, neurosurgery, and biomedical engineering. McDonnell Medical Sciences Bldg., Rm. 928. 362-7043.

5 p.m. East Asian Studies lecture. Annual Stanley Spector Memorial Lecture on East Asian History and Civilization. "Emperor Meiji and Foreign Visitors." Donald Keene, University Professor Emeritus and Shincho Professor Emeritus, Columbia U. (Reception follows). McDonnell Hall, Rm. 162. 935-4448.

Saturday, April 13

7:30 a.m. Internal Medicine symposium. "Update from the 9th Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections." Cost: \$55. Eric P. Newman Education Center. 362-2418.

Monday, April 15

2:30 p.m. Chemical Engineering Seminar Series. "Multiscale Modeling and Simulations of Surface-Bound Nanostructure Formation: Application to Electropolymerization." Bin Lin, graduate research asst. in chemical engineering (Refreshments, 2 p.m. Urbauer Hall, Rm. 208). Cupples II Hall, Rm. 100. 935-4988.

4 p.m. Immunology Research Seminar Series. Paul E. Lacey Lecture. "Wiring the Cell Through Modular Protein Interactions." Anthony J. Pawson, acting dir. and senior scientists, Samuel Lunenfeld Research Inst., Mount Sinai Hosp., and university prof., U. of Toronto, Canada. Eric P. Newman Education Center. 362-2763.

4 p.m. Biology seminar. "Non-canonical Photoreceptors: Tales from the Cryptochrome." Russel Van Gelder, asst. prof. of ophthalmology and visual sciences. Rebstock Hall, Rm. 322. 935-8635.

7 p.m. Architecture Monday Night Lecture Series. "The Architecture of the Forest." Juhani Pallasmaa, Raymond E. Maritz Visiting Professor of Architecture. Steinberg Hall Aud. 935-6293.

Tuesday, April 16

Noon. Molecular Microbiology and Microbial Pathogenesis Seminar Series. "Engineering Pathogen Resistance in Vector Mosquitoes." Anthony James, prof. of molecular biology and biochemistry, U. of Calif., Irvine. Cori Aud., 4565 McKinley Ave. 362-7258.

5:30 p.m. Biophysical Evenings Seminar Series. "Modeling the Growth of Branched Actin Networks." Anders Carlsson, prof. of physics. Sponsored by the dept. of biochemistry and molecular biophysics. Cori Aud., 4565 McKinley Ave. 362-0261.

Wednesday, April 17

8 a.m. Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds. "Lipid Management for Gynecologists." Anne C. Goldberg, assoc. prof. of medicine. Clopton Aud., 4950 Children's Place. 362-1016.

4 p.m. Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics seminar. "Single Molecule Enzymatic and Conformational Dynamics." Sunney X. Xie, prof. of chemistry and chemical biology, Harvard U. Cori Aud., 4565 McKinley Ave. 362-0261.

Thursday, April 18

Noon. Genetics Seminar Series. "Modeling Tuberous Sclerosis Complex." David Gutmann, prof. of neurology. Sponsored by the Div. of Human Genetics. McDonnell Medical Sciences Bldg., Rm. 823. 362-2139.

4 p.m. Chemistry Lecture Series. Peidong Yang, asst. prof. of chemistry, U. of Calif., Berkeley. McMillen Hall, Rm. 311. 935-6530.

5 p.m. Ophthalmology and Visual Science Seminar Series. "The End of Cataracts: Preventing One of the Most Common Features of Aging in Humans." David C. Beebe, Janet and Bernard Becker Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences and prof. of cell biology and physiology. Eric P. Newman Education Center. 362-1006.

Friday, April 19

9:15 a.m. Pediatric Grand Rounds. "Continuing Challenges in Neonatology." Amit Mathur, asst. prof. of pediatrics. Clopton Aud., 4950 Children's Place. 454-6006.

Monday, April 22

Noon. Lung Biology Conference. Daniel P. Schuster, prof. of medicine and radiology. Eric P. Newman Education Center. 362-8983.

Noon. Work, Families, and Public Policy Seminar Series. "Marriage and

Assortative Mating." Elaina Rose, asst. prof. of economics, U. of Wash. Sponsored by the John M. Olin School of Business, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Center for Social Development, and the Business Law, and Economics Center. Eliot Hall, Rm. 300. 935-4918.

Noon. Neurology seminar. "Mechanisms of CNS Inflammatory Demyelination." Anne Cross, assoc. prof. of neurology. Schwarz Aud., Maternity Bldg., 1st floor. 362-7316.

2:30 p.m. Chemical Engineering Seminar Series. "The St. Louis-Midwest Supersite: A Characterization of Ambient Fine Particular Matter." Jay Turner, assoc. prof. of chemical engineering (Refreshments, 2 p.m., Urbauer Hall Rm. 208). Cupples II Hall, Rm. 100. 935-4988.

4 p.m. Biochemistry and Molecular Physics lecture. Carl and Gerty Cori Lecture. "How the Ear's Works Work: Mechano-electrical Transduction and Amplification by Hair Cells." A. James Hudspeth, F.M. Kirby Professor and Head, Lab. of Sensory Neuroscience, the Rockefeller Inst., N.Y. Moore Aud. 660 S. Euclid Ave. 362-0261.

4 p.m. Biology seminar. "Connecting Developmental and Evolutionary Mechanisms: Hox Genes, Digits and Limbs." Günter P. Wagner, chair and prof. of ecology and evolutionary biology, Yale U. Rebstock Hall, Rm. 322. 362-4188.

Tuesday, April 23

8:15 a.m. CAIT Member Presentation. "Winning the War on Cyber-terrorism." Howard Schmidt, president's adviser on cyber-security. Sponsored by the Center for the Application of Information Technology. Eric P. Newman Education Center. 935-4792.

Noon. Tuesday Conference Seminar. "Comparative Studies of Brain Structure in CDR 0 and CDR 0.5 Subjects." Michael Miller, dir., Center for Imaging Science and prof. of biomedical engineering, Johns Hopkins U. Sponsored by the Alzheimer's Disease Research Center. East Pavilion Aud., Barnes-Jewish Hosp. Bldg. 286-2881.

Wednesday, April 24

8 a.m. Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds. "Genital Atrophy in Sexuality." Murray Friedman, assoc. clinical prof. of obstetrics and gynecology and physiology and endocrinology, Medical College of Ga. Clopton Aud., 4950 Children's Place. 362-1016.

Music

Sunday, April 14

3 p.m. Sing-along. "Great Choruses From Opera and Oratorio." Washington U. vocal ensembles, John Stewart, dir., William Partridge Jr., organist. Graham Chapel. 935-4841.

7 p.m. Graduate voice recital. Music of Purcell, Britten, Ravel, and Mahler. Stephanie Scherrer, mezzo soprano, and Henry Palkes, piano. Graham Chapel. 935-4841.

8 p.m. Acoustic City Concert Series. Brooks Williams. Steve Givens, asst. to the chancellor, opening act. Cost: \$12 in advance/\$15 day of show, free to Washington U. faculty, staff, and students. Umrath Hall Lounge. 935-7576.

Monday, April 15

8 p.m. Voice recital. Scott Levin, baritone, Karen Hetzler, soprano, and Henry Palkes, piano. Graham Chapel. 935-4841.

Tuesday, April 16

8 p.m. Student recital. Graham Chapel. 935-4841.

Wednesday, April 17

8 p.m. Concert. Washington U. Jazz Band, Chris Becker, dir. Ridgley Hall, Holmes Lounge. 935-4841.

Thursday, April 18

8 p.m. Student recital. Graham Chapel. 935-4841.

Saturday, April 20

8 p.m. Faculty recital. Mahler's *Kindertotenlieder*. Deborah Stinson, mezzo soprano, and Scott Schoonover, piano. Graham Chapel. 935-4841.

Monday, April 22

8 p.m. Concert. More Fools Than Wise, a madrigal ensemble. Karl Umrath Hall Lounge. 935-4841.

8 p.m. Concert. Washington U. Flute Choir, Jan Smith, dir. Graham Chapel. 935-4841.

Tuesday, April 23

8 p.m. Concert. Music of Purcell and Rutter. University Chorus, Eric Anthony, dir. Graham Chapel. 935-4841.

Wednesday, April 24

7 p.m. Concert. Washington U. Jazz



Let 'em roll Sara Soderman (right) throws the dice and hopes for a good roll at the Undergraduate Business School Council's annual Casino Night charity event April 5 in Simon Hall. Cheering on Soderman, are (from left) fellow Olin School students Dorothy Tse, Cathy Misterka and Blythe Pollack. The event, which featured raffles, a live band, refreshments and casino games, raised more than \$2,000 for Wash U Build and St. Louis Habitat for Humanity.

Sing-along — 'purely for fun' — April 14

BY LIAM OTTEN

The Department of Music in Arts & Sciences will present a sing-along of great choruses from opera and oratorio at 3 p.m. April 14 in Graham Chapel.

John Stewart, director of vocal activities, will direct the concert, which features Washington University Vocal Ensembles and organist William Partridge Jr.

The program includes the *Bridal Chorus* from Richard Wagner's *Lohengrin*; the *Anvil Chorus* from Giuseppe Verdi's *Il Trovatore*; the *Humming Chorus* from Giacomo Puccini's *Madame Butterfly*; *Dona nobis pacem* from Bach's *B-minor Mass*; and

Hallelujah from Beethoven's *Christ on the Mount of Olives*.

"This sing-along is purely for fun," Stewart said. "How often does one get to sing the *Bridal Chorus* from *Lohengrin* in English translation of the German? And I'm out searching for an anvil to use for Verdi's *Anvil Chorus*."

Those who wish to may sit in special sections arranged according to voice type (soprano, alto, tenor, baritone), though those who choose not to sing are also welcome to attend. Copies of the music will be available.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 935-4841.

Singers, Ross Bell, dir. Wohl Center, Friedman Lounge. 935-4841.

1:15 p.m. Jummuah Prayers. Prayer service. Lopata House, lower lvl. 920-1625.

On Stage

Friday, April 12

8 p.m. OVATIONS! Series. David Sedaris, author. Cost: \$25, \$20 for WU faculty, staff, \$13 for WU students. Edison Theatre. 935-6543.

Wednesday, April 17

8 p.m. OVATIONS! Series. A.E. Hotchner Award Winning Play. *Killing Women*. Written by Marisa Wegrzyn. William Whitaker, dir. (Also April 18 and 19, 8 p.m., April 20, 5 and 9 p.m., April 21, 2 p.m.). Cost: \$12, \$8 for WU faculty, staff, and students. Edison Theatre. 935-6543.

Friday, April 19

8 p.m. OVATIONS! Series. River North Chicago Dance Company. Co-presented by Dance St. Louis (Also April 20 and 21, 8 p.m.). Cost: \$25, \$20 for WU faculty, staff, and students. Edison Theatre. 935-6543.

Worship

Friday, April 12

11:15 a.m. Catholic Mass. Catholic Student Center, 6352 Forsyth Blvd. 935-9191.

1:15 p.m. Jummuah Prayers. Prayer service. Lopata House, lower lvl. 920-1625.

Friday, April 19

11:15 a.m. Catholic Mass. Catholic Student Center, 6352 Forsyth Blvd. 935-9191.

And more...

Friday, April 12

9:15 a.m. "Women and Citizenship" Conference. (Also April 13). Sponsored by the Women's Studies Program, Women's Society of Washington U., Philosophy Dept., Political Science Dept., Office of Development, Program in Social Thought and Analysis and History Dept. Women's Building Formal Lounge. 935-5102.

Tuesday, April 16

Noon. Toastmasters Event. Washington U. Toastmasters for Oratorical Readiness (WUTFOR). 4480 Clayton Ave., Rm. 1140A. 935-6001.

Thursday, April 18

8 a.m. Distance learning course. STD Clinician Course. Presented by St. Louis STD/HIV Prevention Training Ctr. (Also April 25). Cost: \$90. U. of Mo., St. Louis, Lucas Hall, Rm. 117. To register, call 747-0294.

Friday, April 19

1 p.m. American Chemical Society Award Symposium. Honoring awardee Scott Gilbertson, prof. of chemistry, Louderman Hall, Rm. 458 (Reception follows in Millstone Lounge). 935-6530.

Tuesday, April 23

4 p.m. Modern Literature Reading Series. "...Beckett." Readings from texts by Samuel Beckett. Special Collections, Olin Library, Lvl. 5. 935-5495.

Sports

Women's tennis off to school-record start

The No. 14 women's tennis team went 4-0 this past week to improve to 16-1 on the year, the best start in school history. WU did it convincingly, defeating McKendree College, 8-1, on April 3 and sweeping Nebraska-Wesleyan, Westminster (Mo.) and Principia by identical 9-0 scores, on April 5-6. Jenny Stein and Laura Greenberg were both 4-0 in singles play, with Greenberg dropping just one game the entire week. Shilpa Reddy went 5-1 on the weekend, taking three doubles wins and adding a pair of singles victories. Kacie Cooke continued her strong freshman season, picking up two wins at No. 2 singles and teaming with Reddy for the 3-1 mark at doubles.

Other updates

The **baseball** team extended its best start in school history by pushing its winning streak to seven and its overall record to 23-4 with a 4-0 mark last week. After taking a 5-0 lead early against Maryville University April 2, the Bears fell behind 6-5 before rallying for an 8-6

win. WU then swept the double-header by breezing to an 11-1 win in the nightcap. Conor Kenney surrendered just three hits and one run while striking out a career-high 12 to get the Game 2 win. The Bears rolled past MacMurray College, 13-2, April 4 as Adam Cowley ran his record to 5-0 with seven strikeouts in seven innings. WU finished off the week with an 8-4 win over Knox College.

The No. 14 **men's tennis** team extended its winning streak to five matches and improved to 9-1 with four wins last week. The Bears posted a 6-1 victory April 3 against McKendree College and then cruised past Nebraska Wesleyan University 7-0 April 5. The Bears then posted 7-0 home victories over Westminster College and Wheaton College April 6. Brian Alvo pushed his record to 16-4 in singles while David Genovese improved to 14-3.

The **softball** team evened its record at 14-14 after posting a 1-5 record last week. The Bears began the week by dropping a doubleheader at Blackburn April 2. In Game 1, the Bears held on to a 1-0 lead heading into the bottom of the seventh inning, but a key error allowed two runners to score as Blackburn won 2-1. In

Game 2, two key errors turned into a 5-3 victory for the Beavers. Washington U. hosted Westminster College April 5 and came away with a split after winning the first game 7-0 and dropping the second 10-8. Freshman Victoria Ramsey picked up her fourth shutout of the season in the opener. April 7 at Maryville, Washington U. dropped both games 1-0, but freshman Liz Swary extended her hitting streak to 26 games.

Distance runners for both the men's and women's **outdoor track and field** teams led the charge at the Washington University Invitational April 6. Sophomore Emily Lahowetz and senior Andrea Newberry ran 17:40.75 and 17:58.23, respectively, to join the NCAA list in the 5,000 meters. Lahowetz's times in the 5,000 and 10,000 both rank No. 1 in the UAA. Senior Pat MacDonald and sophomore Matt Hoelle finished 2-3 in the men's 10,000 meters with MacDonald running 31:30.18 and Hoelle 31:32.59. Both times rank as the top two times in the UAA. Freshman Hallie Hutchens, competing in her first race for the Bears, won the women's 100-meter hurdles in an NCAA-qualifying 15.15.

Final Human Genome Project colloquium April 12-13

BY JESSICA N. ROBERTS

The final Human Genome Project colloquium begins at 8:45 a.m. today in Anheuser-Busch Hall, Room 401. The colloquium will conclude with events April 13 in the Charles F. Knight Executive Education Center, Room 200.

The colloquium, titled "Commerce: Patenting Genetic Products," is one of four components of the yearlong program "Law and the Human Genome Project: Research, Medicine, and Commerce," co-sponsored by the School of Law's Center for Interdisciplinary Studies and the School of Medicine.

Led by F. Scott Kieff, associate professor of law at Washington University and the John M. Olin Senior Research Fellow in Law,

Economics, and Business at Harvard University, and by Charles R. McManis, professor of law at Washington University, this final colloquium will address the patenting of genetic products, including the research tools and processes widely used in academia and industry.

The colloquium's keynote speaker is Robin Jacob, a high court judge of England and Wales and a judge of the patents court of England and Wales. Along with Kieff and McManis, additional speakers include numerous professors, executives and judges from around the world.

The format for the colloquium will emphasize discussion among the speakers and responses to questions from the audience. The topics to be explored and colloquium events are:

Today

- 9-12:30 p.m.: The Case for Property Rights — paper presentations, commentary, discussion
- 12:30-2 p.m.: Lunch
- 2-5 p.m.: Transactions Over Genetics in Academia and in Business — paper presentations, commentary, discussion

April 13

- 9-12:30 p.m.: Comparisons With Other Technologies and Other Legal Regimes — paper presentations, commentary, discussion
- 12:30-2 p.m.: Lunch
- 2-4 p.m.: Keynote address, commentary, discussion
- 4 p.m.: Reception

For more information about the colloquium, contact Linda McClain at 935-7988 or visit law.wustl.edu/centeris/apr13agenda.html.

Architect Juhani Pallasmaa to speak April 15

BY LIAM OTTEN

Juhani Pallasmaa, one of Finland's most distinguished architects and architectural theorists, will speak on "The Architecture of the Forest" at 7 p.m. April 15 in Steinberg Auditorium in Steinberg Hall.

The talk, part of the School of Architecture's popular Monday Night Lecture Series, is free and open to the public. A reception will be held prior to the presentation at 6:30 p.m. in Givens Hall.

Pallasmaa, the Raymond E. Maritz Visiting Professor of Architecture, first came to campus in 1999 and spent much of 2001-02 leading a pair of graduate-level design studios, the first based on a new architectural information center in Helsinki, the second for a hypothetical redevelopment project in East St. Louis.

His own Helsinki-based practice has completed notable projects around the world, including the SIIDA Museum in Inari, Finland, an ethnographic museum and exhibition space for the Sami peoples of Northern Scandinavia; and renovations of the Finnish Institute in Paris and the Rovaniemi Art Museum in Finland.

Other major projects include collaborating on the design of the International Moscow Bank, which received the Russian

Federation Architecture Award in 1996, that country's most prestigious architectural honor.

"Over the last 40 years, Juhani Pallasmaa has produced a body of work and thought that has led him to occupy significant leading roles in both Finnish and international architectural culture," said Peter MacKeith, associate dean of architecture, who is currently editing Pallasmaa's forthcoming book, *Encounters: Architectural Essays 1977-2000*.

"As a teacher, as a critic and as a practitioner, he is engaged in all scales of the designed environment, and emphasizes consistently throughout those scales the importance of identity, experience and tactility. The School of Architecture is fortunate to have a person of such stature and such integrity as a mentor and a friend for its students and even for its faculty."

Pallasmaa has written extensively on such topics as the philosophy of architecture, architectural criticism and the phenomenology of art. Books include *The Architecture of Image: Existential Space in Cinema* (2001); *Alvar Aalto: Villa Mairea 1938-39* (1998); *The Eyes of the Skin* (1998); and *Animal Architecture* (1995).

With fellow visiting professor Jouni Kaipia, he recently edited

the seminar document "Primary Images," which explores such fundamental architectural concepts as floor, wall, roof and door as expressed in buildings, paintings, cinema and literature. (Essays are by Pallasmaa, Kaipia and William H. Gass, the David May Distinguished University Professor Emeritus in Humanities in Arts & Sciences.)

As professor and then dean of the Department of Architecture at the Helsinki University of Technology (1991-97), Pallasmaa helped raise that program to international stature, and he also has taught as the Eero Saarinen Visiting Professor at Yale University and as the Thomas Jefferson Professor at the University of Virginia.

He previously served as Finland's State Artist Professor (1983-88) and director of the Museum of Finnish Architecture (1978-1983).

Pallasmaa is an honorary fellow of the American Institute of Architects. He has received the Finnish State Architecture Award (1992); the Helsinki City Culture Award (1993); the Fritz Schumacher Prize (Germany, 1997) and the Jean Tschumi Prize for Architectural Criticism, International Union of Architects (1999), among other honors.

For more information on Pallasmaa's lecture, call 935-6200.

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ments on the Third Reich to Olin Library; the collection is housed in the Jane and Whitney Harris Reading Room. Last year, Whitney and Anna Harris gave \$2 million to the law school in support of the Institute for Global Legal Studies, which was recently renamed in his honor.

The Harrises are also Life Members of the William Greenleaf Eliot Society.

Undoubtedly, the Libermans must have found it difficult to choose one recipient among their many philanthropic associations. In addition to Forest Park

Forever, both are actively involved in numerous civic, cultural, educational and artistic groups, including Opera Theatre of St. Louis, the Saint Louis Zoo Foundation, the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra, the Muni Opera, Edgewood Children's Center, the Wishing Well Foundation, Kids in the Middle, the Saint Louis Art Museum, Dance St. Louis, the Missouri Historical Society, March of Dimes, Mid-America Arts Alliance and Washington University.

Ann and Lee Liberman's contributions to the University are extensive and long-standing. Ann Liberman serves on the

University's National Council for the School of Architecture. In addition, she has served on the Executive Committee for the Eliot Society.

Lee Liberman, who earned a master of liberal arts degree from Washington University and is working toward a doctorate, is past chairman and life trustee of the Board of Trustees. He has been an important force behind the success of the Campaign for Washington University and chairs the Board of Trustees' development committee.

In addition, he serves as chair of the School of Art National

Council. In 2000, he received an honorary doctor of humanities degree from the University.

After graduating from Yale University with an engi-

neering degree, Lee Liberman served in the U.S. Army Air Corps. In 1945, he began his long and distinguished career with Laclede Gas Co.

In 1974, he was named chief executive officer, and in 1976 he also was appointed chairman of the board, his title at the time of his retirement in 1994. Currently, he serves Laclede Gas as chairman emeritus.

As testament to their significant and far-reaching philanthropy, the St. Louis Chapter of the Association of Fund Raising Professionals recently honored the Libermans as Outstanding Fund Raising Volunteers for 2001.

“(The Libermans) exemplify the best qualities of service to their fellow citizens.”

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Benefits

University enhances four plans effective July 1
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to part-time faculty and staff.

To be eligible, employees must accrue current continuous years of equivalent full-time service as required by the plan. Each year of service that is not full-time requires continuous part-time work at a minimum of 50 percent of the required full-time workload for faculty members, or a minimum of 20 hours per week for staff members.

Part-time faculty and staff will also see improvements in their **long-term disability insurance**. Currently just available to full-time faculty and staff, as of July 1 part-time faculty and staff who have completed one full year of service will receive long-term disability insurance.

Part-time faculty and staff who become eligible on July 1, 2002, will be automatically added to the plan. Completion of enrollment forms is not required.

The final aspect of benefits that will be enhanced is the **University health contribution**. As of July 1, regular part-time faculty and staff will no longer have to complete one year of service to be eligible for the University health contribution.

For part-time employees currently in their one-year waiting period, the University health contribution will be made starting July 1.

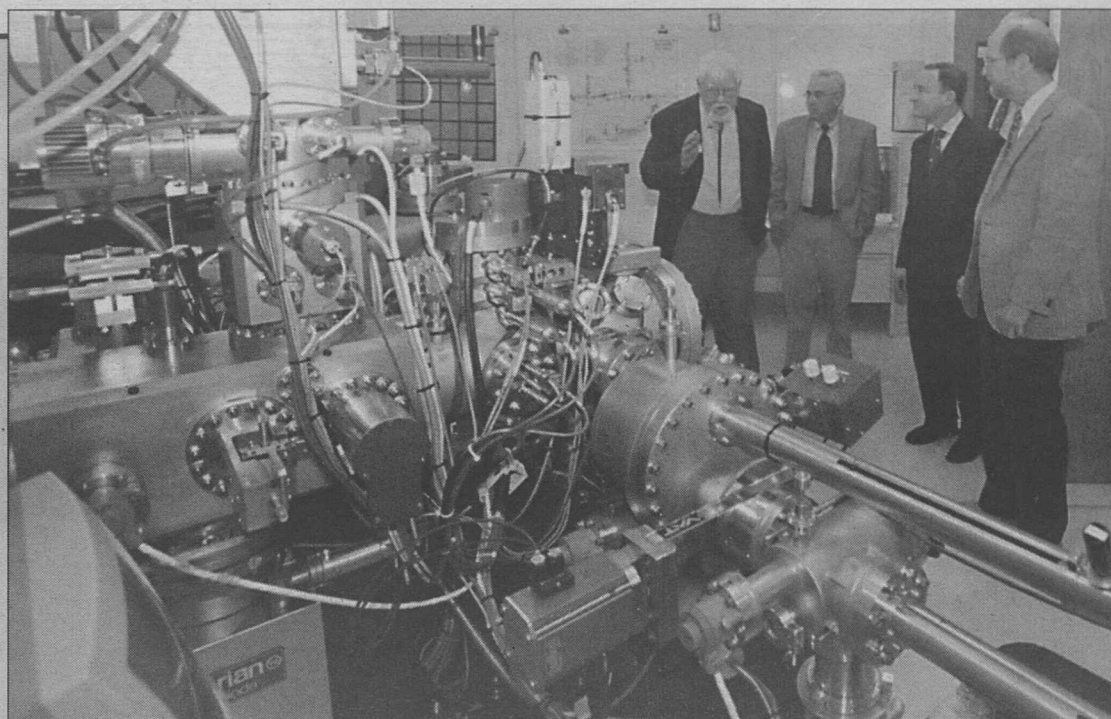
Lauman said the improvements have a multi-tiered benefit to all.

“These enhancements react to, and provide for, the changing family unit or career,” Lauman said. “More and more, we are seeing a family's decision to have one breadwinner work part-time or an individual seeking a part-time employment career. We needed to improve our benefit package to attract the best of this growing number of part-timers.”

“This more-complete benefit program, with not only a contribution for health insurance

and retirement, but long-term disability insurance and dependent-child tuition, will help the University recruit and retain quality part-time faculty and staff.”

Announcements will be sent to campus boxes during the week of April 15.



Measuring stardust (From left) Robert M. Walker, Ph.D., the McDonnell Professor of physics in Arts & Sciences and former director of the McDonnell Center for the Space Sciences, explains how the new NanoSIMS instrument (foreground) operates to Edward S. Macias, Ph.D., executive vice chancellor and dean of Arts & Sciences, Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton and John F. McDonnell, chairman of the University's Board of Trustees, during an open house April 2 for the University community. The NanoSIMS is a first-of-its-kind ion microprobe in the Laboratory for Space Sciences in Arts & Sciences and is housed on the fourth floor of Compton Hall. The \$2 million instrument is the first in the world built to analyze the isotopic and elemental composition of extremely small samples, such as interplanetary dust particles, at a sub-micrometer scale, allowing a first-time look at those particles' subcomponents.

Gilbertson to receive American Chemical Society's St. Louis Award

By TONY FITZPATRICK

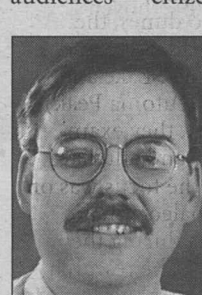
Scott R. Gilbertson, Ph.D., professor of chemistry in Arts & Sciences, will receive the St. Louis Award of the American Chemical Society (ACS) at an April 20 banquet at Kemoll's Restaurant in St. Louis. An awards symposium is scheduled for the afternoon of April 19 on the Hilltop Campus.

The St. Louis Award, sponsored by the Monsanto Co., is presented to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the profession of chemistry and demonstrated potential to further the advancement of the chemical profession. The award consists of a \$1,500 honorarium and a plaque. Gilbertson is the 11th Washington University chemist to receive the St. Louis Award since its inception in 1970.

The ACS was chartered by Congress in 1876 and is the world's largest scientific society with more than 163,000 members. The ACS advances knowledge and research through scholarly publishing, scientific

conferences, information resources for education and business, and professional-development efforts.

The ACS also plays a leadership role in educating and communicating with public audiences — citizens, students,



Gilbertson

public leaders and others — about the important role that chemistry plays in identifying new solutions, improving public health, protecting the environment and contributing to the economy.

Gilbertson's research focus is on combinatorial chemistry, a valuable tool for the discovery of new drug candidates. Gilbertson and his research group have embarked on a program that will allow the use of combinatorial technology in the development of new catalysts.

They have developed a system that allows for the synthesis and screening of libraries of phosphine transition metal complexes by combinatorial methods. Gilbertson is beginning to use this technology in the discovery of new transition metal complexes that catalyze a number of novel organic transformations.

Gilbertson earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in 1979. He earned a master's in chemistry in 1982 from the University of Michigan and a doctorate in chemistry from the University of Chicago in 1988.

He was a National Institutes of Health (NIH) Postdoctoral Fellow from 1988-90 at the University of Chicago, and came to Washington University in 1990 as assistant professor, advancing to associate professor in 1997 and professor in 2001.

Since 2000, Gilbertson has been a Faculty Fellow in Park/Mudd Residential College. He also has served as a member of the NIH, Bio-Organic and Natural Products Chemistry Study Section for the last four years.

ER

Undergrads get hands-on experience in new program
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the project felt integrating undergraduate students was a good idea.

“The GAPP study is a natural,” said Gerald A. Banet, assistant research director in the Division of Emergency Medicine. “It's an observational study, so this gives us a chance to approach the patient. It's simple — ask a couple of questions and review the chart — so it's a very good opportunity for the students to learn about clinical research.”

Lorber added, “Generating better research by developing a cooperative effort between undergraduate students and physicians is our goal. Clinical research is a drawn-out process. Developing, proving and eventually presenting an experimental idea in medicine takes a great deal of time and effort.”

Emergency medicine is unique in that students have an opportunity to interact with patients in a dynamic fashion. Students will learn how to interact with the community in a patient-care

setting, a valuable skill necessary in their future line of work.

Arts & Sciences senior Matthew Harinstein, an EM-STAR organizing committee member and participant, said, “In the medical field, trust between physician and patient is an absolute essential for providing the best medical care possible, especially with the current concerns regarding confidentiality in today's society.”

“Not only are we becoming involved with clinical research, but EM-STAR also allows us to interact with patients in a setting that is comparable to that of our future endeavors in medicine.”

Carolyn Herman, Ph.D., assistant dean of Arts & Sciences, has been an enabling force since the program's inception.

“We require a minimum 3.0 grade-point average and demonstration of academic excellence in the classroom, for inclusion,”

Herman said, “but the grades aren't the focus. We also look for what experiences and skills the individual students bring, maturity in their goals, and what they hope to gain from this program.”

Lorber added, “We want students who are interested in medicine as a career. As a second-year medical student, volunteering in the ER was a real eye-opener. It was not at all what I expected.”

“People interested in going to medical school should experience what patient care is really like. We want to give participants in the EM-STAR program an opportunity to learn first-hand what practicing medicine is all about.”

Undergraduates interested in participating in the program in the fall and those seeking more information should e-mail lifesci@artsci.wustl.edu.

Author James Carroll at Campus Bookstore

Author James Carroll, a National Book Award winner and author of the recent *New York Times* best-seller *Constantine's Sword: The Church and the Jews: A History*, will appear for a reading, discussion and book-signing at

6:30 p.m. April 16 at the University Campus Bookstore in Mallinckrodt Student Center.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit wustl.bkstr.com or call 935-5580.

Notables

NASA's Ames astrobiology academy admits sophomore

By TONY FITZPATRICK

Bethany Ehlmann, a sophomore in Arts & Sciences from Edwardsville, Ill., has been accepted into NASA's Ames Astrobiology Summer Academy camp.

Ehlmann is in the Pathfinder Program, an intensive environmental-studies curriculum directed by Raymond E. Arvidson, Ph.D., the James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor and chair of the earth and planetary sciences department in Arts & Sciences. Ehlmann is also a Compton Fellow and Fossett Fellow.

"Bethany is typical of Pathfinder students as a whole," Arvidson said. "It's tough to get into the NASA Ames Astrobiology Summer Academy, tough for anyone, but really tough for a sophomore. It's nice to work with enthusiastic, brilliant young students."

The astrobiology academy is a 10-week summer internship at NASA Ames Research Center in Mountain View, Calif. During the summer, Ehlmann will work on a research project, "The Potential for Liquid Water on Mars," studying perennial spring systems in the Canadian High Arctic with NASA scientist Chris McKay.

Each of the 12 academy attendees is assigned to a project dealing with climate research, life and geology of extreme environments (for instance, space, polar regions, deserts), or the evolution of the solar system. The goal of the academy is to encourage participants to become leaders in the space science field and also to foster a working knowledge of NASA by meeting with research scientists, mission planners and industry leaders in the aerospace field.

Ehlmann was chosen for her academic record, her interest in the research projects being offered and her interest in working at NASA on Mars research in the future, not to mention her experience working with Arvidson, who has been a NASA scientist since the 1970s.

Ehlmann has been working to develop a predictive hydrologic model of Lake Waiau, a small lake in the glacial-volcanic landscape of the summit of Mauna Kea, Hawaii. Using data from a nearby weather station, D/H (deuterium/hydrogen) and 18 oxygen/16 oxygen isotope ratio measurements, lake level measurements, and topographic information, she has constructed a computer model that gives daily predicted values for lake level and lake isotope ratios.

"I'm also interested in exploration of the surface of Mars using rover technology, especially using traverse data to better characterize the terrain," Ehlmann said. "Using position and suspension data from the Sojourner Rover on the 1997 Mars Pathfinder mission, I've been able to localize each of the six rover wheels in a 3-D lander referenced coordinate system. Potentially, such data can be used to determine the fractal dimension of the landing site's microtopography, calibrate orbital data indicating landing-site roughness, and derive the soil physical properties."

Last year over spring break, Ehlmann and her Pathfinder colleagues spent four days in the Mojave Desert area and one day in Death Valley. In the Mojave Desert, they examined Lake Manix, Afton Canyon, Devil's Playground, Kelso dunes, the Cima Volcanic Field, Soda and Silver Lakes, Cronese Lake and the Cima Dune (Teutonia Peak).

In Death Valley, they examined lake deposits and alluvial fans. In all cases, the focus was on evidence for the paleoclimatic history of the area during the past million years. The research was conducted within the context of policy issues associated with the California Desert Protection Act of 1994.

To learn more about the NASA program, go to astrobiology.arc.nasa.gov/academy. To learn more about undergraduate research in the earth and planetary sciences department, go to epsc.wustl.edu/admin/research/undergrad.



Hardly a taxing time Vinay Kumar Mamidala, a graduate student in chemistry in Arts & Sciences, gets some assistance from Traci Faschingbauer (left), project coordinator in the Career Center, and Kim Gonzalez, adviser in the Office of International Students and Scholars, during a recent session in Eads Hall to help international students file their nonresident tax returns.

Olin to present alumni awards, Dean's Medals

By ROBERT BATTERSON

The Olin School of Business will honor four alumni and two families at its 16th annual Distinguished Alumni Dinner April 16 at the Ritz-Carlton.

Dean Stuart I. Greenbaum, Ph.D., announced that the honorees are alumni Joseph Michael Blomker, Harold A. Brinner, Harvey M. Brown and Raymond W. Harmon.

Two families — the Skandalaris family and the Stern family — will receive the Dean's Medal, awarded for exceptional dedication and service to the school.

Through a generous gift, Robert and Julie Skandalaris helped establish the Skandalaris Program in Entrepreneurial Studies at the Olin School in 2001. The program offers a suite of courses in entrepreneurship and expands on the work of the business school's Center for Experiential Learning.

Robert Skandalaris is chairman and chief executive officer of Noble International Ltd., a holding company in Bloomfield Hills, Mich. He serves on the school's National Council.

The Skandalaris also are active supporters of the University as members of the William Greenleaf Eliot Society at the Danforth Circle level, the Detroit Regional Cabinet and Campaign Committee, and the Alumni and Parents Admission Program. They also serve as the 2001-02 co-chairs of the University's Parents Council.

Max S. and Deborah Stern own Moss & Associates Inc., a wholesale and retail furniture business in Dearborn, Mich., that employs 42 people. They have co-chaired the University's Parents Council and are members of the Parents Campaign Committee, the Detroit Regional Cabinet and the Alumni and Parents Admission Program. They also support Olin's Scholars in Business

Program and St. Louis Hillel.

The Stern Global Investment Fund allows Olin students to gain hands-on investment experience by managing the first nonequity fund in the business school's investment praxis course.

Joseph Michael Blomker, who earned a degree in the Olin School's executive master of business administration program in 1990, is co-founder of Maryville Technologies, a leading engineering and systems integration firm.

Founded in 1994, the company grew at an annualized 100 percent rate in its first six years of operation and has ranked third in the Deloitte & Touche Regional Fast 50 Program for the past two years. The firm now has 150 employees in nine locations.

Blomker is a member of the Olin School's National Council. He is a 1999 regional winner of the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award.

Harold A. Brinner, who served as vice chairman, chief financial and administrative officer at Mallinckrodt Inc., earned a bachelor of science in business administration from the Olin School in 1938. During his 25-year career with Mallinckrodt, he saw the company evolve into one of the country's major chemical and pharmaceutical corporations before retiring in 1980.

Brinner joined the company in 1954 as assistant controller. Three years later, he was promoted to treasurer and CFO, then to vice president in 1961, and soon was elected to Mallinckrodt's board. By 1971, Brinner was appointed vice chairman and CFO, with six vice presidents and purchasing reporting to him.

He began his professional career at Price Waterhouse and served 16 years with the firm, taking off one year to serve as an ensign in the Navy.

Harvey M. Brown, partner

and founder of Rubin Brown Gornstein & Co., earned a bachelor of science in business administration from the business school in 1948. Celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, the major certified public accounting firm started with just Brown and his two partners. It is now the fifth-largest one-office CPA firm in the United States and the largest in Missouri, employing 250 people.

Brown says the Olin School and the friendships he made there have impacted his entire life. He met one of his partners while the two were fraternity brothers at the University.

Raymond W. Harmon, co-founder and chairman of Growing Family Inc./First Foto (formerly HASCO International), earned a bachelor of science in business administration from the Olin School in 1948. His firm is the world leader in newborn infant photography.

Harmon began his career in 1955 when he bought the Identifoto franchise in Washington, D.C., promoting infant photography to area hospitals. He and his wife, Grace, soon built the business into a nationwide success.

First Foto was born in 1965, uniting the firm's eastern operations with Chicago and St. Louis franchises. In 1977, the company headquarters was moved from Virginia to St. Charles, Mo.

The business merged with California-based Photo Engineering Corp. in 1981, renaming it HASCO International. Growing Family/First Foto now has 80 percent of the U.S. market, serving more than 2,600 hospitals and employing more than 1,600 people.

For more information and reservations for the Distinguished Alumni Dinner, call 935-5872.

Pittman service April 19

A memorial service for David J. Pittman, Ph.D., professor emeritus of psychology in Arts & Sciences and an internationally renowned expert on alcoholism and drug-abuse policies, will be held at 3:30 p.m. April 19 in the café at McMillan Hall. Pittman died Jan. 29, 2002, at his home in Orlando, Fla. He was 74.

Campus Watch

The following incidents were reported to University Police April 1-8. 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 police.wustl.edu.

April 1

12:02 p.m. — A student reported that an unknown person took his bike from the north side of Anheuser-Busch Hall between 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m. March 31. Total loss is estimated at \$100.

3:37 p.m. — A student reported that between 1:55-2 p.m., an unknown person entered an unsecured project room in South Brookings Hall and took her backpack and CD player that were sitting on a table. Total loss is estimated at \$400.

April 4

10:45 a.m. — A Bell Electric employee reported that an unknown person took electrical equipment from an unsecured location at Lauderman Hall. Total loss is estimated at \$450.

April 5

9:10 p.m. — A person reported that an unknown person took the victim's bicycle from the bike rack on the north side of Beaumont Residence Hall. Total loss is

estimated at \$230.

April 6

2:48 p.m. — A staff member reported that an unknown person entered her office in Cupples I Hall through a window that would not lock between noon April 5 and 2:30 p.m. April 6. No damage was done to the room, and nothing was taken. Damage was done to the drain pipe where the subject apparently climbed to a ledge outside the staff member's window.

7:52 p.m. — A visitor to a track meet left his duffel bag unattended at Francis Field between 7:30-7:40 p.m. An unknown person took the bag, which contained a CD player, wallet and cellular phone. Total loss is estimated at \$509.

Additionally, University Police responded to six reports of larceny, three auto accidents, two reports of property damage and one report each of an alarm, burglary and trespassing.

International Festival to be held by GWB

From traditional foods to lively entertainment, international students in the George Warren Brown School of Social Work will offer a taste of their homelands at the eighth annual International Festival from 5-9 p.m. today in Brown Hall.

The event, which is free and

open to the public, will begin with an international banquet from 5-7 p.m. in Brown Lounge. This year's theme is "It's a Small World After All." The entertainment will begin at 7 p.m. in Room 100.

For more information, e-mail Yogeswari Munisamy at yoges@gwbssw.wustl.edu.

Washington People

During the 1920s, a half-million American-born white Protestant women asserted their gender rights by joining the Women's Ku Klux Klan (WKKK), hijacking the platform of a reactionary male hate group to push a progressive feminist agenda of their own, including expanded legal rights for women.

In Argentina during the late 1970s, middle-class women began marching in the streets to protest the loss of loved ones killed, tortured or "disappeared" at the hands of a brutal military regime. Their grass-roots group, "The Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo," helped end the bloody dictatorship.

And now, in Afghanistan, women locked away for years under an oppressive male-controlled religious regime are being urged to assume leadership roles in a new transitional government — an invitation spurred in part by a vocal women's rights lobby in America.

Why, when faced with such situations, do some women remain quietly in the shadows, while others step forward, join hands and commit their entire being to an issue, a cause, a movement?

It is questions such as these that motivate the work of Lisa Baldez, Ph.D., assistant professor of political science and the Earle H. and Suzanne S. Harbison Faculty Fellow in Arts & Sciences.

On faculty here since 1997, Baldez has focused both her research and teaching on exploring the cultural, religious and political motivations behind wars, rebellions and social movements, especially those involving women in Latin America.



One of Lisa Baldez's favorite parts of campus is *Thinker on Rock*, just outside the entrance of Mallinckrodt Student Center. "People have strong feelings about the bunny, but I really like it," Baldez said. "It provides a focal point for campus and it has generated a lot of discussion."

Searching for a common ground

Lisa Baldez's research suggests that women's movements throughout the world share a common motive

Her recent research has compared women's movements in Chile, Brazil, Poland and East Germany. Her courses on gender, politics and policy explore issues ranging from "gender gaps" in American presidential campaigns to the role of women in the Cuban revolution and the Islamic Jihad.

"Women's movements have diverse interests and agendas, but my research suggests that many of them share a common impetus," Baldez said. "Women tend to organize along gender lines when they feel their views are no longer getting serious consideration within traditional male-dominated political circles. Women's movements seem to gain momentum whenever the coalitions that dominate conventional politics go through periods of upheaval and realignment."

Her recently completed book manuscript, *Why Women Protest: Women's Movements in Chile*, will be published by Cambridge University Press in 2002. Based on her doctoral dissertation, the book examines two quite different women's movements in Chile:

right-wing groups that worked to overthrow the Allende government and progressive groups that opposed the subsequent Pinochet regime.

Baldez conducted interviews with women activists in both groups, documenting subtle but

important differences and commonalities in how each set out to mobilize support for their causes. Some women, she noted, brandished empty pots and pans and emphasized women's traditional roles. Others, breaking with established norms, took stands that were explicitly feminist in nature.

In both cases, however, women

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framed their actions in terms of women's status as political outsiders.

In naming Baldez as a runner-up for the American Political Science Association's dissertation of the year award, judges applauded her research for focusing solid empirical work on important issues in feminist theory. Her research, they concluded, has made a "truly important contribution to our understanding of the ways that conceptions of the 'public' and 'private' realms have shaped women's political opportunities."

In 1998, Washington University recognized Baldez's contributions by naming her as the Harbison faculty fellow, an honor that provides a talented junior faculty member in Arts & Sciences with three years of special support for teaching and research projects.

"Lisa is a first-rate scholar and an excellent teacher," said Jack Knight, Ph.D., professor and chair of political science and an occasional research associate of Baldez. "Her research on social movements in Latin America is destined to

career in higher education never crossed her mind as a kid in Bethesda, Md. Growing up inside the Beltway, however, she was immersed in politics at an early age. Her stepfather, a trade-association lawyer, let her tag along to fund-raising events and other political gatherings.

"He took me to a lot of places and showed me how things worked," Baldez recalled. "It was nearly impossible to escape politics in my neighborhood. I went to school with the kids of members of Congress and foreign diplomats."

"One of my closest friends in high school was the son of Edmundo Vargas, a prominent international human-rights lawyer who had left Chile after the military coup. I learned a lot about Latin America from him."

During high school, she also interned with U.S. Rep. Michael D. Barnes, D.-Md., an active opponent of U.S. policy in Central America. Later, at Princeton University, she parlayed an interest in Latin American politics into a

passion for Latin American literature, experiencing the revolution through tales of courage in the face of impossible oppression. In 1985, as part of a study-abroad program, she spent a summer in Buenos Aires, Argentina, oddly enough, living in the home of a family that had supported the military dictatorship while conducting research on ultra-liberal human rights organizations.

"My host family did not support my research, but to their credit, they never shied away from discussing sensitive issues," Baldez said. "It was an interesting time to be there because the new government had been in place for only a couple years and trials of officials from the previous military government were under way. Lots of information was coming out about people who had been disappeared by the military government."

Her senior thesis, based on interviews with the "Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo" was completed about the same time that *Time* magazine ran a cover story on the women's group and its role in the reform movement. Baldez's timing could not have been better, but she had no intention of continuing her research in graduate school.

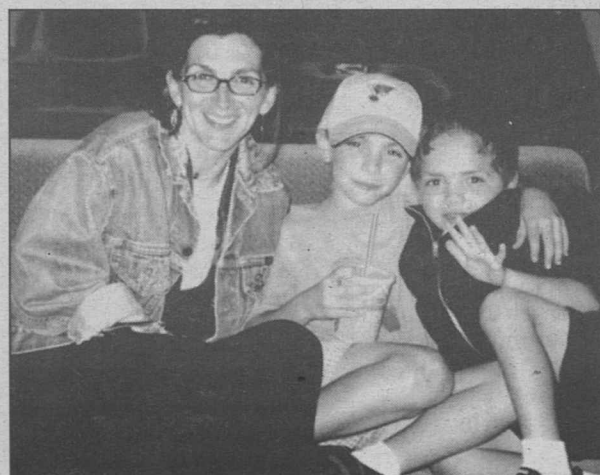
After graduating from Princeton in 1986 with a bachelor's in political science and Latin American studies, she shifted gears and took a job with a business-consulting firm in Washington, D.C. There, while doing volunteer work in a southeast city neighborhood, she met the man who would become her husband. John Carey, a 1986 graduate of Harvard University, was working on Capitol Hill as a congressional aide assigned to the Iran/Contra hearings.

Professionally, however, Baldez still wasn't sure what she was looking for. She decided to move to New York City and found a job as a policy analyst in the city comptroller's office. Still dissatisfied, she reconsidered graduate school and began applying at top political science programs, including the University of California, San Diego, where, coincidentally, John Carey had enrolled a year before.

"UC-San Diego asked John to make some recruiting calls to graduate school applicants and he recognized my name on the list," Baldez said. "I was leaning toward the University of Texas, but he talked me into coming to San Diego. We got married two years later."

Carey earned a doctorate in political science from San Diego in 1993 and took a faculty position at the University of Rochester. Baldez earned her two political science degrees from San Diego, a master's in 1993 and a doctorate in 1997, and worked briefly as a research associate at Rochester.

"After I finished my Ph.D., we decided to go on the job market at the same time and to hold out for the best possible political science program that was willing to hire both of us," Baldez said. "We were thrilled with the opportunity for both of us to join a program of Washington University's caliber. The students here are amazing and it really makes teaching fun."



Lisa Baldez enjoys the cold treats of Ted Drewes with sons Joe, 9, and Sam, 6.

Lisa Baldez, Ph.D.

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Family: Husband, John Carey, Ph.D., associate professor of political science; children, Joe, 9, Sam, 6

Favorite campus icon: *Thinker on Rock* by Barry Flanagan