Faculty, Brookings awards to be presented at Founders Day event

BY BARBARA REA

For their outstanding commitment and dedication to the intellectual and personal development of students, Jay B. Turner, William E. Wallace, Alison J. Whelan and Peter J. Wiedenbeck will receive Distinguished Faculty Awards Sept. 20 at the Founders Day Dinner and Awards Presentation.

In addition, Robert S. Brookings Awards will be given to Sam Fox and Jack Taylor.

The annual event is sponsored by the Alumni Board of Governors and commemorates the University’s founding in 1853. This year’s ceremony will take place at America’s Center and will feature a talk by Robert J. Dobel.

Distinguished Faculty Awards:

Turner, D.Sc., is an associate professor of chemical engineering and holds a joint appointment in the Department of Civil Engineering. He also plays a valuable role in the School of Engineering & Applied Science’s environmental engineering program.

Much of Turner’s research has practical applications for the environment. His work applies chemical engineering principles to particle technology and environmental issues, including the study of novel reactor systems forming fine particles, particle contamination in semiconductor manufacturing, air pollution control equipment performance evaluations, and the development of pollution prevention strategies for charcoal manufacturing.

He is focusing on measurement techniques to develop conceptual models for air quality. Extremely active in environmental concerns, Turner has

Wallace, Ph.D., is an associate professor in the Department of Computer Science. His research interests include software engineering, especially in the area of object-oriented programming and software design.

Turner, Ph.D., is an associate professor in the Department of Geography and the Spatial Sciences. His research focuses on the spatial analysis of human population and environmental processes.

Wiedenbeck, Ph.D., is an instructor in the Department of Economics. His research interests include environmental economics, with a focus on the role of government in environmental policy.

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Tour de medical school

Lance Armstrong to visit Siteman Cancer Center during cross-country bike tour

BY NICOLE VINES

Five-time Tour de France champion and cancer survivor Lance Armstrong will make an exclusive appearance in St. Louis Oct. 15 at the Siteman Cancer Center to promote cancer research.

Armstrong is leading a team of 26 riders on a weeklong Tour of Hope bike ride across America to raise awareness of the importance of cancer clinical trials and encourage more people to participate in cancer research.

“Lance is embarking on this crucial campaign, and we are honored that he has chosen to include the Siteman Cancer Center,” said Timothy J. Sheehan, M.D., center director. “Clinical trials are critical for advancing patient care, and hopefully this event will encourage more people to participate in cancer research.”

Those attending the Forest Park event will be eligible to win prizes, including a Trek bike.

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BY ANDY CLENDENNEN

A 150th Birthday Party for Washington University's 150th Birthday

Although he wasn't wearing a double-breasted suit and tending to the day-to-day operations of a major research university, Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton looked right at home in the auditorium of the Arts & Sciences Laboratory Science Building.

Make that "Magic Mark," Wrighton looked right at home. Perhaps that's because Wrighton has spent many years in a chemistry lab.


Wrighton — in a white lab coat with "Magic Mark" stitched on the back — immediately put the overflow crowd at ease by saying, "I hope some of you in the front row will help me today. I won't make you disappear — for too long!"

He then spent about 30 minutes giving demonstrations of basic chemical reactions, using vinegar and baking soda, and those more complex, using dry ice and liquid nitrogen.

At one point, Wrighton mentioned that he was thirsty, needed a break and filled a Styrofoam cup with liquid nitrogen. After taking it to his lips and pretending to drink, he blew out some "smoke" a few times, until a youngster in the front row blurred out, "Blow it out your nose!"

After the laughter subsided, Wrighton went on with his demonstrations, including fabricating nails out of a rubber hose solidified in liquid nitrogen; using dry ice to make colored solutions bubble, freeze and transform colors; and concluding the demonstration by creating a makeshift volcano in a darkroom.

Wrighton's wizardry was one of many highlights of the day.

Popular morning activities included

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This Week in WUSTL History

Sept. 21, 1959

Students moved into the first four residence halls built on the South 40: Liggett, Koenig, Students moved into the first four residence halls built on the South 40: Liggett, Koenig, Stiegelbein and New Haven.

Sept. 22, 1987

Dean William Hammond of the Law Department wrote to Walter Moran Farmer, an African-American who graduated from Lincoln Institute in Jefferson City in 1884, saying: "I write at once to say that your letter of the 20th inst. has reached me. I am extremely active in environmental concerns, Turner has

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Jeanne.

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King installed as Myron Northrop professor

Ronald R. King, Ph.D., was installed as the Myron Northrop Professor of Accounting Sept. 9 at the Olin School of Business' Charles F. Knight Executive Education Center.

King was named to the professorship in July 2002. Northrop, a 1926 business school alumnus, established the professorship by bequest in 1989. The first recipient of the Northrop chair was Meir J. Rosenblatt, who held the professorship from 1991 until his death in 2001.

King brings a combination of expertise to Olin, including a commitment to research, a dedication to teaching, and a desire to make a difference in the world. He has spent his career investigating the role of accounting information in the lives of individuals, firms, and society.

King uses innovative research techniques to examine how legal and market institutions affect the production and use of accounting information. He has conducted influential research in the area of auditor independence, financial reporting, and the development and decay of trust and reputations.

His principal research method is experimental economics, a methodology that allows for the controlled investigation of economic behavior. Recent research conducted by King assessed the effect of the Securities and Exchange Commission’s new rule that requires firms to disclose the amount of nonaudit fees paid to auditors. The disclosure is intended to inform investors of auditors’ incentives to compromise their independence.

During the experimental method, King’s results showed that subjects are prone to “belief persistence,” where people retain erroneous beliefs even after they observe discrediting evidence. This suggests that the disclosures of nonaudit fees should be interpreted in the light of other variables related to auditor independence.

Such experimental approaches achieved status in October, when economist Vernon Smith of the University of Arizona received a Nobel Prize for establishing laboratory experiments as an essential tool in empirical economic analysis.

Smith, who served as King’s doctoral thesis adviser at the University of Arizona, visited the Olin School just days after he was notified of the award to participate in an interdisciplinary conference coordinated by King on trust and reciprocity in experimental economics.

“Professor King has opened a new paradigm that has illuminated heretofore obscure corners of the accounting universe,” Greenbaum said. “He is widely respected in the profession and has been integral to the Olin School’s reputational advances in academe.”

King joined the Olin School as assistant professor of accounting in 1986. He was promoted to associate professor in 1991 and was granted tenure in 1994. He earned a Bachelor’s degree in biology and a Master of Business Administration degree, both from the University of Wisconsin.

WUSTL is unique among American universities in that it has had two chancellors, Edward H. Artz, J.D., and William H. Danforth, honored with the Michelkohn Award from the AAPU for their defense of academic freedom.

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For more information, call 933-7413. To view the full symposium agenda, go online to gwbb.unl.edu/acg.
Postdocs receive needed resources from new office

By GIL Z. RICKEN

Postdoctoral appointees — research scientists who train in a faculty member's laboratory for several years, completing a doctoral degree — are critical "coaches" in the "next generation" of biomedical research, according to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID).

"Our main focus is to provide resources and advocacy for post-doctoral appointees," said Mary Bradley, the manager of post graduate affairs. "We look at it as a win-win situation. We're here to serve the postdoctoral appointees, and our goal has also been to make a critical contribution to the University's overall research mission.

"However, there has been no official organizations or guidelines to help arrange employment or the overall experience of postdoctoral research during these in-between years."

Now, this group has a source of support. The University is one of several institutions around the country trying to address the unique needs of this specific group.

To further this goal, the Division of Biology and Biomedical Sciences has launched the Office of Post-Graduate Affairs. The office supports postdoctoral appointees at the School of Medicine and in the Department of Biology. The University's postdoctoral appointees are welcome to attend seminars and events.

Collins speaks on Human Genome Project

By KIMBERLY LYTTON

Francis Collins, the leader of the Human Genome Project in the United States, is coming to St. Louis to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the discovery of the DNA molecule and the role the University has played in the successful sequencing of the human genome — what many consider the most significant accomplishment ever in the biological sciences.

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"The free event, which also celebrates the University's 150th anniversary, offers genetics and biotechnologies for the whole family.

"To reserve a seat for the lecture, call 289-4424.

"It is a recognition of the significant accomplishments of these institutions in the fields of clinical research — research that could play a critical role in protecting Americans against the bioterrorism threat," she said.

With grants totaling approximately $350 million, the NIAID, one of the National Institutes of Health, is funding seven other regional centers as part of its strategic plan for biodefense research.

"We see the MRCE as a tremendous opportunity for the region to take the lead in this field and hope it will serve as a model for other regions to build collaborative research in biodefense and emerging infectious diseases between academia and industry," said Samuel L. Stanley Jr., M.D., director of the MRCE and vice chancellor for academic and economic development.

"My hope is that this ride is a tribute to Lance Armstrong and the support he has received over the years," said Thompson. "It will be an unprecedented event. The team is sponsored by PharMerica, the maker of the drug that helped Armstrong beat his cancer."

"For more information about the local event, call (800) 600-3606. For more information about the Tour of Hope, visit tourofhope.org.

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photo opportunities with Armstrong and copies of his latest book, Every Second Counts. Entertainment will feature the St. Louis Squeeters, a professional bike-stunt team. Music and health information will also be part of the festivities. Participants must be registered by noon and present at the event to win.

According to the National Cancer Institute, up to 90 percent of children with cancer participate in clinical trials but fewer than 50 percent of adults. Clinical trials, in which patients volunteer to undergo medical approaches being tested, help doctors find better ways to prevent, diagnose or treat disease.

Armstrong himself did not participate in a trial when he was diagnosed with testicular cancer, but he said the ride is a tribute to the heroes before him who participated in research that led to his successful treatment.

The Siteman Cancer Center is an international leader in patient care, cancer research, prevention, education and community outreach, and a National Cancer Institute-designated cancer center. Last year, University physicians treated over 6,000 new cancer patients and provided inpatient care for more than 28,000 patients.

"The center has more than $100 million in annual cancer-related research funding. In addition, the center offers more than 350 clinical trials involving more than 1,000 clinical investigators each year."

The Tour of Hope team will relay across America around the clock, covering 3,182 miles in two months.
LEFT: Members of Ashoka, the University's Indian student group, perform cultural dances for "Diwali: Festival of Lights."

TOP LEFT: Basketball player Mike Grunat gives a boost to sports clinic participant Ke'ala O'Connell, daughter of assistant men's basketball coach Kevin O'Connell.

ABOVE: The Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra ends the day with a jam-packed concert in Brookings Quadrangle.

RIGHT: First-year medical student Sahar Masondi takes Ravi Nedella's blood pressure at the student-run mini-clinic on the Medical Campus.

FAR RIGHT: William H. Danforth (rear), chancellor emeritus and vice chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Robert L. Virgil, Ph.D., chair of the Sesquicentennial Commission and trustee, examine the exhibit Influence 150: 150 Years of Shaping a City, a Nation, the World at the Gallery of Art.

LOWER RIGHT: F. Lee Bearly argues his case in law students' presentation of The Three Bears v. Goldilocks. A jury of children found Goldilocks guilty.

BELOW: Student Christine Holladay paints the face of Liam Perry at a demonstration of makeup used for stage performances.
Above, Ted Drewes hams it up with a youngster in line for “Ses-quete,” a special flavor of concrete Drewes created for the birthday party. At left, children strain to catch one of the parachutes dropped by School of Art students atop buildings as part of “Operation Pandemic Joy.” And below, members of the Chinese Student and Scholar Association present a musical stage show of Chinese fashions in Edison Theatre.

Above, physical therapy student Audrine Yu (right) gives junior Sally Dolembo tips on how to alleviate musculoskeletal pain at the School of Medicine’s “Stand Up Straight!” event, which featured posture analysis and advice on exercise and wellness. Below, Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton assumes his “Magic Mark” alter ego and wows a full house with chemistry tricks in the Arts & Sciences Laboratory Science Building auditorium.

“The birthday party was a great success and a fitting way to kick off our Sesquicentennial year.... We have made an effort to reaffirm our partnership with the community and hope that the open house is a beginning to additional participation in University programs and events. All of the credit for the day goes to the many, many individuals who volunteered their time and talent to create and execute so many different opportunities.”

MARK S. WRIGHTON
Jazz at Holmes launches fall lineup

Since 1979, jazz at Holmes has been a rousing start to the school year, and this year is no exception. The event is scheduled to start at 7 p.m. on Sept. 24 in the Student Activities Center. The concert is free and open to the public, and a portion of the proceeds from the sale of merchandise will be donated to the Phi Beta Sigma Greek Life Foundation.

Jazz at Holmes Concert

Jazz at Holmes concerts are free and open to the public and take place from 7 to 9 p.m. in Holmes Lounge in Ridgley Hall. For more information, call 935-8441.
The following incidents were reported to University Police Sept. 17-19. Readers with information in these incidents are urged to call 955-1234. All information is provided to a public service to promote safety awareness and is available on the University Police Web site at police.wustl.edu.

Sept. 12
1:29 p.m. — Two laptop computers were reported missing from the Art & Architecture Center. The information is provided to a public service to promote safety awareness and is available on the University Police Web site at police.wustl.edu.

Sept. 15
9:41 a.m. — A vending machine in the Susie Ford Recreation Center was broken into, and about $135 in money and soda was stolen. Additionally, the vending machine was damaged, which is estimated to cost $500 worth of damage.

Additionally, University Police received a report of a theft in the Student Center. Four reports of loss and two stolen items were reported. Two reports of lost/damaged personal items are provided to a public service to promote safety awareness and is available on the University Police Web site at police.wustl.edu.

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**Physics With A Bang,** given by Thomas Bernatowicz, Ph.D., associate dean of faculty, was dedicated to the 124 years — capped the day’s activities, which included discussions and interactive displays of instruments and ingredients. From cherries — in chocolate chips. The Visions Gospel Choir, The Hilltop and West campuses.

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Dean, professor, party-planner

Robert Wiltenburg headed plans for the 150th Birthday Party while continuing to extend the reach of University College

BY ANDY CLINEHENDRICK

Robert E. Wiltenburg, Ph.D., dean of University College in Arts & Sciences and chair of the University’s 150th Birthday Party Organizing Committee, talked with Washington & Lee’s Candace O’Connor, who is pursuing a double major in physics in Arts & Sciences and mechanical engineering.

When two daughters in their 20s, Robert E. Wiltenburg is no stranger to planning birthday parties. But the most recent party he planned took a little more forethought.

“More than two years’ worth, to be exact. In 2001, Wiltenburg, Ph.D., dean of University College in Arts & Sciences, was tabbed to head the committee in charge of executing the University’s 150th birthday celebration.

“I went into a meeting and found my name written in a chair of the committee,” he says with a laugh.

Once the shock wore off, Wiltenburg and his committee set about putting a plan in place that would accomplish many things — give the public a chance to see parts of the University not often seen; find interesting facts about the University; and perhaps even use the event as a recruitment tool for interested people, young and old.

He wanted to put together a day that featured the innovative things a great modern university

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