



OU NEWS

SHES Expands Childhood Center

Two senior professors in the School of Human and Educational Services have been named to lead the new Early Childhood Research, Training and Education Center established by SHES.

Gerald Freeman is the faculty director of the new center and Edward Bantel is chairperson of the early childhood graduate and undergraduate programs.

The announcements by SHES Dean Gerald J. Pine follow a study of the Lowry Early Childhood Center that recommends reorganization of that unit into a unified facility dedicated to interdisciplinary early childhood research, professional preparation, and a continuing model service program.

Pine said the new center will combine SHES programs in early childhood education, counseling, reading, special education, and teacher education with other disciplines in the university including psychology, sociology, linguistics, pediatric nursing, anthropology, and biology.

The center will address issues of national concern, Pine said, including the qualities of early education and child care, family life, and the qualitative development of the intellect.

A major focus will be professional development programs for teachers, pediatricians and health and child care providers. The center will offer interdisciplinary studies in cognitive, language, emotional, social and psychomotor development of children from infancy through the primary grade years. There will be applied research in the areas of parenting, family development, handicapped children, child abuse, and early childhood education.

Pine said achievement of the center mission and objectives should provide improved practices in preschool, day care, and child care centers; an expanded body of knowledge and information in disciplinary areas of child growth and development; comprehensive educational services

for young children and their parents; multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary modeling for student-in-training programs; and continued assessment of the impact of early education on minority group and handicapped children.

Engineering Grads Honored

Four graduates will be honored June 4 in graduation ceremonies of the School of Engineering and Computer Science.

Each award will consist of a certificate of recognition and a check for \$100. The recipients will have their names engraved on a plaque hanging in Dodge Hall.

Joyce A. Burkland (nee Taylor), **Academic Achievement Award:** This award is presented annually to the graduating senior who has demonstrated an outstanding level of academic performance. Joyce, a graduate in computer science, is employed as a software designer by United Technologies in Sarasota, Fla.

Mark R. Shermetaro, **Service Award:** This award for service is to be awarded annually to the graduating senior who has rendered the greatest service to the school. Mark, a graduate in both systems and mechanical engineering, is employed as an associate engineer in the Electromechanical group of Fisher Body at the General Motors Tech Center.

Brian E. Lee, **Professional Development Award:** This award is given annually to the graduating senior who has demonstrated the

greatest technical development in his/her studies and has shown an outstanding measure of individual initiative in connection with a project. Brian, a graduate in mechanical engineering, has accepted a position with the engineering staff of Pratt and Whitney in Hartford, Connecticut.

Eugene C. Warman, **Exceptional Achievement Award:** This award is presented annually to the graduating senior who has achieved the highest level of scholastic excellence. Eugene, a graduate in mechanical engineering, will be attending graduate school at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

Students Chosen

Chrysler has confirmed that Oakland University engineering students (junior year) Donald Hillebrand, William Mattingly, and Matt Witte were offered, and have accepted, positions in this year's Summer Program.

There are only 15 openings in this "elite" program and 7 other schools (Lehigh, L.I.T., Illinois, M.S.U., Purdue, U. of D., and U. of M) were invited to refer candidates also.

Faculty, Staff Contributions Noted

Ron Kevern, assistant vice president, student affairs, has been elected to the Central Michigan University Alumni Board of Directors for a term to expire June of 1987.

Maurice F. Brown, Department of English, chaired the Contemporary Literature Section of the Michigan College English Association spring meeting held at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn on March 25. He delivered a paper, "From Modernist to Contemporary Style in Hellman's Autobiographical Writing."

Several members of the English Department participated in the recent meeting of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters—Jane Donahue Eberwein was vice chairperson of the Language, Literature Section; Robert T. Eberwein chaired the Cinema Studies Section; and Peter G. Evarts was vice chairperson of the Medieval Studies Section.

Howard H. Splete, School of Human and Educational Services and coordinator of the Oakland University Adult Career Counseling Center, discussed the services of the center, including the use of the DISCOVER II computerized guidance system at the Michigan College and University Placement Association's Conference in Dearborn on April 15th.

Lawrence Orton, history, is the author of "Why Solidarity? Why Walesa?" The review article appeared in the Spring 1983 issue of **Polish Heritage**.

Three Oakland students—Robert A. Knight, Barbara L. Beebe, Shaun Healy—have been selected for Research Trainee Awards by Henry Ford Hospital's Institutional Review Board. The students will work at the hospital for ten weeks during the summer of 1983.

Sheldon Appleton, political science, presented a paper entitled "Public Perceptions of Harry Truman" at an international conference on "Harry S. Truman, 1889-1972: The Man From Independence" at Hofstra University in New York. Among those attending the conference were Margaret Truman Daniel and Clark Clifford.

Boaz Kahana, psychology, presented two papers at the recent Orthopsychiatric Association meetings in Boston. They are "Perspectives on Psychotherapy and Understanding of Holocaust Survivors and Their Families" and "Innovative Approaches to Therapy With the Aged."

Augustin Fosu, economics and management, presented a paper entitled "Education, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Behavior of the Black/White Earnings Ratio" at the Allied Social Science Association meeting in New York.

Lizabeth A. Barclay, economics and management, spoke to Citizens for Better Schools in Ferndale on February 13. The topic was "QWL Programs and Processes."

Karl Gregory, economics and management, attended the Allied Social Science Association convention held in New York in December, where he chaired a session at which scholars presented papers on "Collective Action, Self-Help and Black Community Development." Appointed recently to its board of directors, Gregory also serves as secretary of the Metropolitan Detroit Small Business Investment Corporation (organized by the Metropolitan Detroit Chamber of Commerce). Gregory was also appointed vice president of the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan and is chairperson of its committee on social responsibility in investments.

Teri Spinelli, economics and management, spoke to the Data Entry Management Association on February 24 on the topic "Improving Marketing Efficiency Through Effective Time Management Techniques."

Alan Reinstein, economics and management, had two articles published recently. "Should All Auditors Submit Audits?" was published in the Winter 1983 issue of **Real Estate Review** and "Career Opportunities for Accountants" was published by A Better Way, Detroit, Michigan, as part of the Second Annual Career Convention for Women.

John Dovaras, music, received an honorary Doctor of Letters degree from Alma College on Saturday, April 16 at Alma, Michigan. Dovaras, director of the OU Chorus and University Community Chorus, received the honor at commencement from Alma President Oscar E. Remick and Trustee Harold G. Warner "in recognition of his outstanding musical achievements through directing choral ensembles as well as the excellence of his university teaching."

Luellen Ramey, human resources development, presented two programs at the American Personnel and Guidance Association conference in Washington, D.C., March 20-23. The programs were "A Life Skills Program for Incarcerated Offenders" and "Assessment Procedures for Students Entering Community Colleges."

Mary Ann Gee has been selected and promoted to the position of Oakland Center scheduler. She will work with Mona Wallace in the Scheduling and Conference activities of the Oakland Center. Her office phone number is 7-3230/31.

E.J. Heubel and William A. Macauley, political science, presented a computerized slide show at the annual conference of the Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning (MACUL) March 14 and 15 in Dearborn. The presentation illustrated the variety of administrative, teaching, and research applications that are being utilized by our department in its political science and public administration programs.

Sharon Tunstall, political science, chaired a panel entitled "Minority Group Attitudes and Behavior" at the Southwestern Social Science Association meeting, March 20-23 in Houston, Texas. She will also be conducting research on government regulation in Washington, D.C., May-August. The research is being funded by a faculty fellowship grant from the Oakland University Research Committee.

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Prof Gets It Done in French

When Chrysler and American Motors were gearing up to do business in France they came to an OU professor for help.

And help is just what Don Iodice offered by developing a crash course in French that has helped hundreds of American executives over the years as they adapted to life and work in a foreign country.

Iodice, modern languages and literatures, says, "There is more of an awareness now about the things that have to be done on both sides—business and education—to help American businesses prosper overseas."

When a Chrysler executive first came to Iodice in 1975, the professor was asked to develop a crash course (60 clock hours) that might help Chrysler executives communicate with their French colleagues and to survive outside the office in everyday situations.

"It was an enormous task," Iodice says, "because of the time limitations and because normal French grammars are not equipped to do things that needed to be done for these executives."

The answer was to create a new text with corresponding tapes **Getting It Done in French** authored with David Jaymes of the OU Department of Modern Languages and Literatures and Pam Carie, a 1971 OU graduate.

Forensic Team

The Oakland University Forensic Team took 17th place at the National Forensic Competition at Illinois State University. Some 126 universities and colleges from all over the United States, including Alaska, competed. Last year the OU team finished in the top 30, this year in the top 20. In addition, two students placed high within individual competition. Bob McClory placed 13th in Impromptu Speaking and John Rhadigan placed 20th in Extemporaneous Speaking.

This 17th place finish capped a successful year which saw the team take first place in the state and place very high in six regional tournaments. The team is coached by Karen Seelhoff, head coach, Dan Birnard, Marion Czarnik and Kathy Kent, assistant coaches.

"The book is limited to the highest frequency situations a professional will face," Iodice says. The approach could be likened to taking an executive step by step through a first trip to France, from the flight to dealing with customs officials, cab drivers, hotel reservations, that first French meal, and the first rapid-fire exchange with a French telephone operator.

There is also a great emphasis on dealing with everyday numbers that we all use so frequently, Iodice says, but the course does not deal with technical materials.

The work was so successful that before the initial 15 weeks of teaching were over, the authors were asked to prepare another 15 weeks of instruction. The result was a second book, **Getting More of It Done in French**. The books concentrate on handling actual situations but there is an emphasis on grammar too, Iodice says. The grammar was chosen on the basis of a study done by the French government itself to prepare

guidelines for the teaching of French. From these guidelines the authors took the recommended grammar and vocabulary and added it to their texts as necessary.

Iodice estimates that before the sessions were finished at Chrysler, more than 100 executives took the course over several years.

The demand for the book increased again in 1978 when American Motors began to concentrate on French operations, and is continuing. "I have lost track of the number of people trained," Iodice says.

There is now a Spanish spin-off, Iodice reports, as Firestone requested a **Getting It Done in Spanish** that has been written by Anna Barnes, a part-time OU professor and wife of Carl F. Barnes, Jr., art and art history.

Iodice has been asked to comment on his work at numerous regional and national French and foreign language teachers' meetings and his books are used in a number of colleges and in continuing education programs as well.

Patio Series

The Campus Information and Programs Office has set the 1983 Patio Series.

- May 25 Egbert Henry on piano
- June 1 "Young Oldtimers" banjo ensemble featuring Frank Clark
- June 8 "Brindisi String Duo"
- June 15 Magic with Bill Schuler
- June 29 "Tripoli Steel Drums"
- July 6 Classical Guitar featuring Craig Chabala/Helena Rottenberg
- July 13 Roving Violin (tentative)
- July 20 Belly Dancing (tentative)
- July 27 The Ron DeRoo Trio
- Aug. 10 TBA

All performances will take place on the Oakland Center Patio between noon and 1 p.m. In case of inclement weather they will take place in the Fireside Lounge.

In addition to the above Wednesday concerts, there will be a special noon preview of Student Enterprise Theatre's production of "The Robber Bridegroom" on Monday, June 6.

Hetenyi Fete

Keith R. Kleckner, senior vice president for university affairs and provost, announces that on June 30, Laszlo Hetenyi will retire after 23 years of service to Oakland University, first as dean of the School of Human and Educational Services and more recently as dean of the School of Performing Arts. "You are cordially invited to attend a reception in honor of Dean Hetenyi to be held in the Oakland Room of the Oakland Center between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m. on Friday, May 27. Please help us wish Les well and also thank him for his many contributions to building Oakland University into the institution we know today," Kleckner said.

The vice president said that many people have asked how they might contribute to some sort of retirement memento for Les. Marge Hampton will be coordinating this project, and those who wish to do so are invited to forward contributions to her at 207 Varner Hall (ext. 3016).

"We look forward to seeing you on the afternoon of the 27th," Kleckner said.

DIVERSIONS

5/1/83

RELE Tests
118 & 159 NFH
7:30 a.m.

Workshop
Alternative Career Options for Teachers
Ramada Inn
9:30 a.m.

Workshop
Managing Stress Positively
207 ODH
9:30 a.m.

Coffeehouse VII
Barn Theatre Bull Pen
8:00 p.m.

5/22/83

Meadow Brook Hall Public Tours
1:00-5:00 p.m.

5/25/83

Patio Series
Dr. Henry on piano
OC Patio
Noon

5/29/83

Meadow Brook Hall Public Tours
1:00-5:00 p.m.

6/1/83

Blood Drive
171 NFH
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Faculty Notes

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Jean S. Braun, psychology, will deliver two papers at the convention of the International Council of Psychologists in San Francisco, August 24-25, 1983 entitled "An investigation of the relationship between frustration, imagined aggression and types of music" (with Harriet Gerlach) and "Differential child-rearing attitudes of feminist mothers toward sons and daughters" (with Judith Peltier).

Robert B. Stewart, Jr., psychology, has published the following article: "Sibling attachment relationships: Child-infant interactions in the strange situation," in **Developmental Psychology**, 1983, 19 (2), 192-199.

Judith Brown, sociology and anthropology, was interviewed April 18 by Don Lessernau of WAAM-AM, Ann Arbor, on the subject of middle-aged women.

James Ozinga, political science, presented a paper on brain chemistry and human behavior entitled "In Quest of Self," to an international conference on general systems held in Amsterdam, Holland, April 4-7. He also attended a Chautangua Field Conference on "Genetics and Society: A Dynamic Interaction," held at Dayton, Ohio, March 23-25 and lectured on Marx and Lenin to the Seaholm High School Flex Program on March 22.

Computer Graphics

A limited number of openings are available in the computer graphics course to be conducted by the Division of Continuing Education from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on four Saturdays, May 21 through June 11.

The course will be instructed on Apple II computers by OU graduate Alan Foxx, who is director of computer graphics for the Center for Creative Studies. The course will cover 3-D transformation, shading vector graphics, high and low resolution graphics, and programming techniques and applications for computer graphics.

For registration information, call the Continuing Education office, 377-3120.

Symposium Studies Viol

Musicians, musicologists and instrument makers are using modern science to help solve a musical mystery—how to reconstruct Renaissance viols that will produce the sounds composers of the era intended.

Foremost experts on the Renaissance viol and violin from three countries will gather with scientists at OU May 31-June 2 for a Meadow Brook Hall Symposium. The result of their deliberations could produce more playable Renaissance era instruments.

Lyle Nordstrom, director of the early music program, organized the conference. He explains that while early music (before 1750) is enjoying much popularity, the factor of sound has been ignored in many modern performances of that music.

Enthusiasm for any instrument not modern has led people to assume that any early instrument is automatically preferable in all situations, Nordstrom says. The result is that the performance of early music, particularly music of the Renaissance, has encountered some strange sounds, sounds that would never have been heard in the composers' own times.

Nordstrom says the OU conference could produce great benefits for early music if the many experts can pool their talents to produce numbers of playable Renaissance instruments. Working together they could solve construction problems and other mysteries that would take years to

resolve if they worked on their own, he explains.

Among the participants will be Martin Edwards of London, England, who has received a grant from the British Council to measure and make drawings of many Renaissance viols; Ian Harwood, Ely, England, the first instrument maker to build Renaissance viols; and Dr. William Fry, University of Wisconsin researcher, who has done considerable work in the acoustics of the violin and whose research has been published in **Scientific American** and viewed on the television show "Nova."

"We used to think a recorder (wind instrument) was a recorder and that a viol (a stringed instrument of the 15th-17th centuries) was a viol," Nordstrom says. But research has shown differently. Much is known about the differences in the Baroque (1600-1750) and Renaissance (1400-1600) recorders and the Baroque viol is readily available. However, Renaissance viols have been constructed recently and only on an experimental basis by makers who have had a chance to measure some of the few remaining instruments, Nordstrom says.

So while Renaissance viols make different sounds than the Baroque instruments, the more available Baroque viols are used for the most part in performances of Renaissance music.