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This is only the beginning of a regular SPACS newsletter, which will be printed twice monthly. Regular publication will begin September 1. Anyone is invited to make contributions, but there should be one person from each department responsible for gathering information and sending it, in at least legible form, to Jan Beezley, Annex 24, UNO. Items should be submitted by the 1st and 15th of each month, beginning August 15th.

SPACS directory. Attached is a listing of SPACS faculty and staff indicating office locations and telephone numbers. This listing will be updated again in August. Any changes effective for the fall semester should be sent to Jan Beezley.

Staff retreat. Although 14 hours is a long drive, faculty, staff, and guests attending the SPACS retreat in Crested Butte, Colorado found it both informative and enjoyable. Participants discussed philosophy and objectives of SPACS, common base of knowledge and skills in public service professions, core curriculum, interdisciplinary linkages in SPACS, field experience/practicum/internships and community relationships, community development, library resources, democracy in organizations, administrative structure and participation, staff roles... Everyone took advantage of the beautiful mountain setting as well -- hiking, fishing, river rafting -- and enjoyed just getting acquainted with one another.

A retreat report, under the direction of Marvin McNeff, will be prepared and distributed in the near future to inform those unable to attend -- and remind those who attended -- of the issues discussed.

It was decided by those in attendance that shorter, more frequent, and not-so-far-away staff retreats would be beneficial. Felix Fabian, Criminal Justice, Lincoln; Calvin Humphrey, Training and Community Service, Omaha, and Jan Beezley, Dean's Office will be responsible for the organization of the next retreat.

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU to John Else who did such a great job of coordinating and providing the leadership for this retreat!

A proposal for a Master of Science degree with a major in Urban Studies has been submitted to the Graduate College of the University. If approved, it will represent the third graduate degree offered by the School of Public Affairs and Community Service.

The European Studies Program anticipates expansion this fall to four additional overseas Air Force bases in England and Germany. In cooperation with the College of Continuing Studies, the Bachelor of General Studies degree will be offered to military personnel and their dependents on active duty assignments in Europe. UNO faculty presently scheduled to teach in Europe during the 1973-74 academic year include:
Dr. John V. Blackwell, Professor of Art History and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. George Barger, Professor and Chairman of Sociology

Dr. Norman Hamm, Professor of Psychology

Dr. Clemm Kessler III, Associate Professor of Psychology

Dr. Robert McCune, Assistant Professor and Chairman of Urban Studies

Dr. James Riley, Assistant Professor of Political Science

Faculty/Staff additions & changes

ADDITIONS

Dr. Harvey Martens, formerly on the faculty of the Maxwell School at Syracuse University, will join SPACS July 1 as Director of Research and Planning and Professor of Public Administration.

Dr. Peter Suzuki, previously Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Maryland, will become Assistant Professor of Urban Studies in SPACS July 1.

Dr. Peter Pflaum has joined the staff of the Center for Applied Urban Research as Senior Research Fellow. Dr. Pflaum was a research and demonstration specialist with HEW in Chicago prior to joining the Center staff.

Dr. Paul Lee will join the staff of CAUR on July 1 as Research Associate. He was formerly a post doctoral research associate at Washington State University.

Mr. Kwame Annor, formerly Assistant Professor of Political Science at Grambling College, Grambling Louisiana, will become Research Associate at CAUR on July 1.

CHANGES

Dr. Robert McCune: from Acting Director of Research and Planning to Chairman, Department of Urban Studies, effective July 1.

Ms. Jan Beezley: from Editor/Writer, Center for Applied Urban Research to Assistant to the Dean, effective July 1.

P.S. If anyone can dream up a more imaginative name for this newsletter than "SPACS Newsletter", we welcome suggestions!

How about "SPACS SPACE"? or "SPACS FACTS"? Bob 'May