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FALL CONVOCATION OF THE COLLEGE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

John Kerrigan, new CPACS dean, opened the convocation noting that he thought that the College had come a long way in a short period of time. Dean Kerrigan expressed his excitement about the College saying that it was the excitement of being part of a growing and developing area and of the opportunity to make learning directly applicable to society.

With a mixture of regret and pleasure, he announced that Bob McCune has been selected as dean of the College of Continuing Studies at UNO. CPACS, he said, will miss Bob greatly, but speaking for the faculty and staff, wished Bob well in his new assignment. He then asked Bob to give a report on the College.

Beginning with COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS, Bob noted that the strength of good working committees was obvious this past year. CPACS forwarded the names of eight people for university merit, and eight people received merit. Within the next two weeks the standing committees of the College will meet to elect chairpersons. The Executive Committee is still "on hold" and will be evaluated by the new dean.

With respect to BUDGET, Bob said that computer allocations are now hard dollars out of the College budget. For this year the specific allocations are as follows: Dean's Office, $1950; Gerontology, $1000; CAUR, $8000; Urban Studies, $750; Public Administration, $300. From now on, when heavy computer usage will be required on grant projects, it will be well to write into the grant proposal money for computer time.

In the area of equipment requests, $2800 has been allocated to CPACS. Dean Kerrigan will be meeting with department heads to work out allocation to departments.

There was no improvement of instruction money in this year's budget, and consequently very few new positions. CPACS, however, acquired two new positions, one in Criminal Justice and one in Social Work.

The 1977-78 budget request has now been submitted.

CPACS CHANGES IN PERSONNEL AND ALLOCATION OF SPACE were mentioned. Social Work has completed the move to the former Lewis property (Annex 23). The Division of Training and Community Service is currently staffed (and well staffed we might add!) by Ethel Hill Williams. The office has moved to Annex 27 and future direction of the Division is under discussion. Cal Humphrey has returned to Cleveland. John Zipay has accepted a position with MAPA and Nancy Schrepl is now secretary in the Goodrich Program.

With those changes, affecting Annex 20, plans are to move the Department of Criminal Justice to Annex 20 and--AT LAST--have all of the College of Public Affairs and Community Service in one area of the campus.
During the summer the College contributed to the production of nine TV CLASSROOM segments. Two mini-series were produced. "The Human Services: Education and Practice", a four-part series, was an effort of Gerontology, Alcohol Studies, Social Work and Urban Studies and from all reports was well received. The second series, in five parts, was "Omaha Desegregation: A Rational Response." It was done in cooperation with the College of Education as an informational series on the desegregation effort in Omaha.

An update on the DOWNTOWN EDUCATION CENTER was given. Still, no final decisions have been made about which units will move. There will be a series of meetings upcoming to determine the roles of various units in a downtown education center.

Dean Kerrigan invited DEPARTMENT HEADS to report on their departments. He introduced Dr. Hobart Burch, new director of the Graduate School of Social Work and announced that Dr. Peter Suzuki has been named Acting Chairman of the department of Urban Studies, and Dr. Harry Reynolds is now Chairman of Public Administration.

Wilda Stephenson, Goodrich, said that the program has just completed orientation for 50 new Goodrich students. The program is beginning its 5th year. Eighteen students in the program graduated during the year—two magna cum laude and two cum laude. At present 206 students are enrolled in the program.

Reporting on Criminal Justice, Vince Webb announced that two department members completed work on doctorates this summer—Bill Wakefield and Fred Holbert.

Dave Peterson, Gerontology, announced the hiring of Donna Eden who will be doing instructional evaluation and research. He also noted that off-campus instruction has been expanded this fall to include courses at Kearney and Norfolk and that the staff will be developing more instructional models.

Reporting for Public Administration, Dave Paulsen said that this fall the department will begin offering graduate courses at Lincoln and that the full graduate program is to be available there by the spring semester.

Bill Rogers, speaking for CAUR, announced a new research associate, Dr. Ginger Burch. He also mentioned the establishment of the Division of Housing Research and Services.

In closing, Dean Kerrigan spoke of several goals he would like the College to work toward:

* the goal of learning the talents and strengths of people in each of the CPACS departments
* the goal of the discovery and awareness of the common ground of the various units
* the goal of bridge-building to other UNO units, benefiting student learning and expanding our horizons
* the goal of more cooperative efforts in proposal-writing within the College.

He stressed the importance of experimentation and innovation, even with the inherent risk of failure and noted as well the importance of strong relationships with the community.
ACTING ASSISTANT DEAN APPOINTED  Dr. David Hinton has been named Acting Assistant Dean of CPACS beginning September 1st. Basically, he will perform the functions previously handled by Bob McCune. The appointment is for one year. A search will be conducted to fill the position on a more permanent basis.

STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS  There will be a meeting of the CPACS Curriculum Committee on Friday, September 10, at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of Annex 24.

The Committee on Faculty Appointments, Promotion and Tenure will meet Thursday, September 9 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of Annex 24.

CAUR STUDY COMPLETED  The Center for Applied Urban Research has completed a study entitled Omaha's Traditional Business Districts: Their Impact and Proposals for Revitalization under contract with the City of Omaha Department of Housing and Community Development. The study provides an analysis of the economic impacts of five traditional Omaha business districts (Central Business District, Benson, Florence, Near North Side and South Omaha) separately and in the aggregate on the Omaha metropolitan area. Results included incentives that could be used to encourage investment into these areas.

GRANT TO GERONTOLOGY  An Administration on Aging grant has been awarded the Gerontology Program to develop a Gerontology Educational Data System. The system will be national in scope and will collect descriptive data pertaining to programs offering credit courses in Gerontology, according to Christopher Bolton, administrator of the grant. The grant totals $33,493.00

STAFF NOTES
Dr. PAUL S. T. LEE was principal investigator for Land Use Development in Gretna, Nebraska—a Cost Analysis, a study recently completed by the Center for Applied Urban Research under contract with the University of Nebraska College of Agriculture. The study assessed the economic impact of different patterns of residential development in Gretna and provides a model applicable to many rapidly expanding rural Nebraska towns.

Dr. LEE co-authored a report entitled "Safety Packaging — What Does The Public Think?" with Dr. Matilda S. McIntire, M.D., Professor of Pediatrics at Creighton University. The report presents findings from CAUR interviews regarding attitudes toward safety packaging of poisonous substances.

Dr. DONNA EDEN, Ed.D. will be joining the Gerontology Program as Program Associate. Dr. Eden was formerly with the UNO College of Business Administration.

BILL BELL, Gerontology, will deliver two papers for the American Sociological Association convention in New York this month (August 30 through September 3). His papers are entitled "Death Attitudes of Older Adults: A Path/Analytical Exploration" and "The Impact of Housing Relocation on the Elderly: An Alternative Methodological Approach."

Contemporary Social Gerontology: Significant Developments in the Field of Aging, edited by Dr. BELL, was released this month by Charles C. Thomas, publisher.

SHIRLEY WASKEL presented a one day workshop at the Kansas City, Kansas Office on Aging August 24, on Pre-Retirement Education.
Dr. CHRISTOPHER BOLTON will be a forum member for the Education on Aging section of the Adult Education Association/USA convening in New York City November 19.

"Older People in Adolescent Literature" is the title of the paper DAVID PETERSON will deliver to the American Psychological Association September 6 in Washington, D.C.

BRUCE HORACEK has been named member of two regional councils. He is a charter member of the Eastern Nebraska Office of Aging's Advisory Council for the Foster Grandparents Program and a member of the MAPA Regional Council on Social Services and Transportation.

BILL WAKEFIELD, Criminal Justice, was awarded the Ph.D. degree on July 30th.

CPACS DIRECTORY

Attached to "happenings" this time is a directory, by department, of full time faculty & staff of the College. It is designed to fold & fit into the front of your UNO directory, and includes new information on faculty & staff.
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