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## University of Southern Maine

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### USM Field House Gets Green Light

A proposed field house on USM's Gorham campus has been given final university approval, paving the way for selection of an architect and development of a final design.

The \$3.7 million project -- to be funded with existing USM resources and student fees -- was approved by the University of Maine System Board of Trustees at their September meeting. The field house is part of a larger, three-year program to improve recreational/athletic programs and facilities on USM's Gorham and Portland campuses.

The Gorham-based field house will include four tennis courts, a six lane, 200-meter track, weight rooms, basketball courts, racquetball courts, seating for 1,000, baseball/softball practice areas, and a study center. The actual square footage of the building will be determined during the design phase of the project.

An architect will be selected this

fall, followed by approval of the final design in the spring of 1996 and construction from July, 1996 through August, 1997. The field house is expected to open in September of 1997. Current plans call for the building to be constructed adjacent to the Hill Gym but the final decision on the site will not be made until later this fall.

In the spring of 1994, an external committee evaluated USM's recreational/athletic programs and facilities. The committee concluded that the university's "rapidly growing programs" were in need of additional support "...to ensure the quality of current activities...and to alleviate the current pressure on overextended and inadequate facilities." In recent years, student participation in intramural programs alone has nearly tripled in Gorham and more than doubled in Portland.

In response to that report, the university developed a three-year program to improve facilities and expand programs for students.

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### Investment Fund Directs Resources Creatively

New faculty positions were the greatest benefit for the campus from this year's Program Investment Fund. Eight tenure track positions, some new and some converted from fixed-length positions, were filled with allocations from the fund. These positions are in Art Education, Biology, Psychology, New England Studies/Geography, Women's Studies, Social Work, Environmental Science, and a clinical support faculty position in the School of Nursing.

"The ability to fill these positions is a good example of the flexibility the fund gives us, even when funding remains flat," Sam Andrews, vice president for administration, said. "Creating these faculty positions in high demand areas allows us to better meet student needs."

The Program Investment Fund draws half of one per cent from the budget of each department on campus. The money is pooled and then allocated where the need is greatest in the judgment of the President's Staff. The total is approximately \$200,000. Money that is spent on a one-time basis becomes free again in the following year. In this way, \$322,000 that was used in the last two years for one-time expenses, such as renovating the Luther Bonney space for the new Academic Computer Center and upgrading computer equipment, became available again this year. This roll-over fund made it possible to fill faculty positions. The fund also got a boost this year of \$64,822 from the Chancellor's Office which, because of a change in policy, has now assumed responsibility for certain fringe benefits costs. The total fund available for allocation on campus for 1995-96 was \$627,527. Requests from the campus totaled \$1.1 million for base budget allocations and \$425,000 in

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Signs of growth on the Gorham campus--the new theatre entrance for Russell Stage performances, from parking lot side of Russell Hall. Inside, an all-new theatre will open in a gala performance, Friday, November 10 with the "Marriage of Figaro." Theatre patrons can have a seat named for them by donating \$150 per seat. For more information, call 780-5480. *Barrett photo*

## Nursing Students Help Portlanders

The School of Nursing has expanded its program to bring health services to residents of Portland's Sagamore Village by creating a new on-site Women's Health Center. The center, staffed by a nurse practitioner, a primary care physician and USM nursing students, offers primary care services, among them physicals, Pap smears and referrals for mammograms. The program is made possible through the support of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Maine Medical Center/Brighton Medical Center, the Portland Division of Public Health and Portland Housing Authority, in cooperation with the USM School of Nursing.

The early response to the center has been overwhelmingly favorable, with some 20 women served, many of whom have not had regular physicals and related services for 10 or more years.

The center is but the newest component in an array of community health services offered in Sagamore, a 200-unit public housing complex for low income families. Groups of walkers, landscapers and crafts people have been organized to increase residents' participation in activities that promote a healthy lifestyle. Nursing students, under faculty guidance, provide home-based health screenings (blood pressure, cholesterol), nutrition counseling, and parenting tips. The entire program grew out of a 1991 health care assessment of Sagamore Village, conducted by USM graduate nursing students. Services, including the new women's center, have been added in response to more recent community feedback on health care needs.

The success of the Sagamore program has led to the establishment of similar programs in two other city neighborhoods. In all three neighborhoods, hundreds of residents have taken advantage of the services while USM students have received experience in meeting a range of health care needs. The delivery of these health services is part of a growing nationwide trend among schools of nursing to identify and meet the distinct health needs of communities.



USM nursing student Jane Gagnier takes a blood pressure reading for Sagamore Village resident Ann McLeod as part of SON health outreach to the community. *Barrett photo*

## USM Reaches Out to Family Businesses

The new USM Institute for Family-Owned Business was created to help businesses that are owned and run by families better understand the special dynamics that affect business decisions and development. The vast majority of all businesses in Maine and the country are family owned and operated, and these businesses create half of the jobs in the country. But fewer than 30 percent of family-owned businesses are successfully transferred to the next generation.

The USM institute will offer programs and informational services on such topics as preparing the next generation for business leadership, sibling rivalries and how they affect the family-owned business, and methods of improving communication among family members in the business.

Ralph Struzziero has been named director of the new institute. Struzziero, who holds a master's in business administration from Boston College School of Management, was most recently president of Romac and Associates, a national employee placement firm. Previously, he was president of Spruce Industries, a bottling company, and director of Roberts Office Supply in Portland.

Family businesses face unique challenges: how to establish performance standards and developmental processes for family members in the business; how to manage working

relationships among two or more generations involved in the business, and how to determine succession to top management positions when there is more than one heir. Institute programs will also discuss family values and traditions, and estate planning. Besides educational programming, the institute will offer family discussion sessions and retreats.

The USM institute was established in response to a survey of businesses in southern Maine that indicated a need for services tailored to family-owned businesses. Nationally, there are about 40 institutes dedicated to supporting this type of business.

Similar institutes have been established at Husson College and University of New Hampshire, and USM plans to work cooperatively with program development and referrals. Unlike these, however, USM's institute will focus on identifying and addressing family dynamics that may interfere with the business's continued growth and profitability. The institute, part of USM's Public Service Division, extends the division's mission to offer lifelong learning programs to the public. The new institute is initially being supported by dues from key sponsors from the business world, but will become self-supporting, as are other units in the division. In addition to these sponsors, the institute will be guided by an advisory board drawn from the corporate and university communities.

## DormNet

University Computing Technologies worked during the summer to give USM students access to the world via computer. Now residential students can plug into the Internet from their own dorm rooms.

Ethernet hubs and fiber optic communications equipment were installed in Wood, Dickey, Robie Andrews, Woodward, Anderson, Upton and Hastings to enable students with computers living in those residential halls to access World Wide Web, Email, Gopher and more, on a fee basis. Staff members in Resident Student Services have served as contact points for students wishing to get on the network, and have coordinated installations and created a support group of students already familiar with the Internet who are willing to share their expertise. The departments of Telecommunications and Facilities Management have provided support services. At present, 14 residential students have opted to route the information highway through their dorm rooms. Student Services believes that this will be a new tool in attracting and retaining students. For more information on the program, call Jim Cyr at 780-4456.

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This year, USM has improved the fitness and locker facilities in the Portland and Gorham gyms, expanded playing fields and added intramural sports. Next year, the second year of the student fee-funded program, the university will add indoor soccer, lacrosse, racquet sports and make additional improvements to playing fields and to Portland's Sullivan Gym. The field house will go on line in the third year of the program. Additions of an ice rink and swimming pool also are under preliminary discussion but construction of those facilities would depend on private, external support and users' fees.

Approved increases in the student activities fee will finance much of the field house, other improvements and program expansions. The fee, which was set at \$2 per credit hour in 1994-1995, has increased to \$4 per credit hour this academic year. It will level off at \$6 per credit hour in 1996-1997, generating some \$815,000 per year for expanded recreational programs and debt service on the field house.

President Pattenaudd said the field

house and associated improvements will "...benefit student programs, assist students in leading healthier lives and help us attract and retain students." The new facility also will support development of academic programs in sports medicine and related areas.

Pattenaudd stressed "...the importance of remaining competitive in admissions at a time when we are becoming increasingly tuition dependent." Full-time, traditional age students between 18 and 23 account for 30 percent of USM enrollments (3500 students) but generate more than 60 percent of the tuition income.

"Attention to their (traditional age students') interests is a wise investment for us," said Pattenaudd, "and, in the long run, will help ensure financial resources to support other campus activities."

## USM Partnership Unveils School Review Program

With funding from the UNUM Foundation and the Noyce Foundation, the Southern Maine Partnership, based at USM, has launched the School Quality Review Initiative (SQRI) to evaluate how well schools teach and students learn.

The centerpiece of SQRI is a self-review process by schools, combined with weeklong review visits to schools by teams of educators, parents and business people. Some 26 review team members have been selected to visit four pilot schools: the Dyer Elementary School in South Portland; Cornish Elementary School; Bowdoin Central School; and South Portland High School.

Areas to be reviewed are likely to include both general and specific topics, such as how well a core set of skills is being transmitted in a particular set of courses, or the general level of student initiative throughout classrooms. Pilot schools will work together throughout the 1995/1996 academic year, with site visits scheduled for this fall and spring.

The Southern Maine Partnership is a school/USM collaboration linking 27 school districts, three independent schools, the Maine College of Art and USM in teacher development and school renewal efforts. UNUM is supporting the current effort with a three-year, \$163,200 commitment. The Noyce Foundation, a California-based foundation that supports school improvement efforts, has donated \$122,000 to SQRI.

## Investment Fund

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one-time expenditures.

Other allocations were made in the divisions of Enrollment Management, Student Development, University Advancement, President's Office, Administration and Equal Opportunity. The total allocations for academic and non-academic departments total \$516,573 in expenses that will come under the base budget and \$110,954 in one-time expenses.

Allocations are determined by the President's staff, using the five priorities outlined in USM's five year (1992-97) strategic plan. Requests are generated by campus departments, approved by the deans and passed on to the President's staff.

The Program Investment Fund was initiated during the 1993-94 fiscal year.



Judges at the "Carnival of Calories," which opened this year's Combined Charitable Appeal Campaign at USM, selected bake-off winners at all three USM campuses. Larry Waxler (pictured above) won first place in Portland, Sherry Phillips placed first in Gorham, and Tony Bussiere won at Lewiston-Auburn College. Last year USM faculty and staff contributed more than \$37,000 through the Combined Charitable Appeal to more than 200 non-profit health and human-care agencies encompassed by six fundraising federations within the campaign: America's Charities, Combined Health Appeal of Maine, Earth Share, International Service Agencies, MaineShare and United Way. USM campaign chair Noelle Lord, director of alumni relations, and President Pattenaudd have set a goal of \$40,000 for USM in this university-community partnership. Call 780-4447 for more information.



## Losses to USM Community

The university was sad to note the death of Elizabeth (Bette) FitzGerald, longtime secretary in the Department of Geosciences. A resident of Gorham, FitzGerald died at her summer home at Popham Beach on September 23 following a brief illness. FitzGerald was born in Newton, MA and attended schools there before graduating from Katherine Gibbs School in Boston. She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Robert FitzGerald, three children, and a brother and sister. At her family's request, a "Bette FitzGerald Memorial Fund" has been established to benefit the Gorham campus, where she worked for 30 years. Donations can be made through the Geosciences Department, Gorham campus. She will be deeply missed at USM.

USM further noted the passing of Celia Russell Vaughn, formerly of School Street in Gorham and the daughter of Walter E. and Winifred Stone Russell. Walter Russell was a principal of Western Maine Normal School, now USM's Gorham campus, and Vaughn presented the Walter E. Russell Award, named for her father, to a selected USM scholar for two year periods to foster work on the philosophy of education. Vaughn was active in the town of Gorham and with the USM community.

## Louden Studies Empirical Ethics

Robert Louden, associate professor of philosophy, plans to extend the study of Immanuel Kant, one of the preeminent moral philosophers in western culture. He plans to focus more directly on the empirical underpinnings of Kant's reasoning on ethics. Louden argues that Kant has been misunderstood. "I hope to defend Kant against the criticism that he is too theoretical and non-historical by analyzing some of his less known works, especially his lectures on anthropology."

Louden has received two grants that will allow him to undertake a major study of the "impure," that is, empirical, factors in Kant's ethical theory. The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation of Germany has authorized a grant of \$30,000 to support his studies of Kant's writings in Germany, further supported by a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities for \$30,000.

Louden received an earlier Humboldt Foundation grant which enabled him to spend a year of study in Germany during 1991-92. During that time, Louden translated Kant's lectures and essays on education for "The Cambridge Edition of the Works of Immanuel Kant," to be published in 1996. When he returns to Germany, he will conduct a detailed textual analysis of relevant parts of Kant's writings which are only available in Germany.

Louden argues that Kant's "pure" or *a priori* construction of ethical theory has received most of the attention from Kant supporters and critics. "Even careful readers have seldom noted that Kant asserts in numerous places that ethical theory must also contain an impure part,"

Louden says. He cites Kant's own interest in studying man to observe morality in action.

As a Humboldt scholar four years ago, Louden lived and studied in the cities of Marburg and Gottingen, Germany. The end result of the grant-supported study will be a book, "The Missing Half: Kant's Impure Ethics." Louden is the author of an earlier book, "Morality and Moral Theory: A Reappraisal and Reaffirmation," published in 1992 by Oxford University Press.



Catherine Payne, a member of USM's Department of Music applied faculty, will give a concert of flute music from around the world, including pieces by Bach, Prokofiev, and Roussel, as the next offering in the 1995-96 Faculty Concert Series. Payne will be accompanied by pianist Deborah Emery and assisted by cellist William Rounds. The concert, sponsored by VP Film & Tape Productions, is at 8 p.m., Friday, October 27 in Corthell Concert Hall. Tickets are \$9, \$5 students, staff and seniors. Call 780-5555 for information/tickets.

## New Faculty Welcomed

Below, a list of the 28 new faculty members and their research areas.

**Nancy J. Abel**, assistant professor of social work, was a research fellow at Harvard Medical School, 1990-91 and earned her master's in social work from Simmons College in 1975. She has an extensive background in social services with an emphasis on substance abuse.

**Jeffrey S. Beaudry**, assistant professor of education, earned his Ph.D. in evaluation, research, and program design from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 1987. He recently worked as part of a team in the development of math, science, and technology standards in education in Corvallis, Oregon.

**M. Denise Bishop**, instructor of school psychology, is in the process of earning a Ph.D. in school psychology from the University of South Florida with an emphasis on linking educational assessment to intervention.

**Wendy Lynn Chapkis**, assistant professor of sociology/Women's Studies, is in the process of earning a Ph.D. in sociology from the University of California. She has written and lectured about issues ranging from diversity to prostitution. She is fluent in Dutch, French, and Spanish.

**Kimberly J. Cook**, assistant professor of criminology, earned her Ph.D. in sociology with specialization in criminology, and family and social policy from the University of New Hampshire in 1994. She is an expert in the field of abortion and capital punishment.

**Matthew H. Edney**, associate professor of cartography and geography, earned his Ph.D. in geography from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, in 1990. He is an expert in cartography with an emphasis on the British Empire.

**Marijane E. Fall**, assistant professor of human development, earned her doctorate in 1991 from the University of Maine. She has worked extensively in the field of school counseling and guidance.

**Susan Feiner**, visiting associate professor of economics and Women's Studies, earned her Ph.D. in economics from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst in 1981. She is a specialist in race and gender in the U.S. economy.

**Lynn Gitlow**, assistant professor of occupational therapy, Lewiston-Auburn College, earned her master's in education at the University of Maine in 1993. She is currently a candidate

for C.A.S. at the University of Maine and is an expert in the field of the elderly and nursing homes.

**Nancy E. Harriman**, associate professor of education and director of teacher education, earned her Ph.D. in special education from Pennsylvania State University in 1986. She is currently working on a textbook for teaching strategies for integrated and inclusionary teaching strategies. She has written and lectured on students with disabilities.

**David E. Harris**, assistant professor of natural and applied sciences, earned his Ph.D. in psychology and biophysics from the University of Vermont in 1990. He has written and lectured extensively on single smooth muscle cell mechanics.

**Elaine R. Hartwick**, assistant professor of geography/anthropology, expects to earn her Ph.D. this fall from Clark University. She is a specialist in theories of development/under development, geography of Africa, geography of women, social theory, and theories of consumption.

**Carol K. Johansen**, associate professor of management and organizational studies, Lewiston-Auburn College, earned her Ph.D. in educational policy and management from the University of Oregon in 1985. She has published articles on student internships and adult degree programs, and spent several years working for the U.S. State Department as an employment development specialist.

**Sonja Johansen**, assistant professor of mathematics and statistics, earned her Ph.D. in biostatistics from Columbia University in 1982. She is an expert in hospital reimbursement.

**Jane Kuenz**, assistant professor of English, expects to earn her Ph.D. in English from Duke University this fall. She wrote a dissertation on Harlem Renaissance literature, and lectures on popular culture.

**Marjorie Lawson**, assistant professor of nursing, earned her master's in nursing from Pennsylvania State University in 1976. She is an expert in the fields of nurse practitioner issues, communication in the provider-patient relationship, and primary/ambulatory care.

**Carlos Luck**, associate professor of electrical engineering, was expected to earn his Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of Southern California in the spring of 1995. He is an expert in robotics and redundant manipulators.

**Lois R. Lupica**, assistant professor of law, received her J.D. from Boston University School of Law in 1987. She has written about low-income housing and has represented and advised the governments of Israel and Venezuela in debt restructuring.

**Daniel Panici**, assistant professor of communication, earned his Ph.D. from the University of Missouri in 1989. He is an expert in popular culture and the analysis and production of television.

**Christopher M. Pennuto**, assistant professor of environmental science and policy, earned his Ph.D. from the University of Kansas in 1994. He is an expert in aquatic ecosystems.

**Eve A. Raimon**, assistant professor of arts and humanities, Lewiston-Auburn College, received her Ph.D. in English from Brandeis in 1994. She is an expert in 19th century American literature, African-American literature and culture, gay and lesbian studies, and contemporary critical theory.

**Bruce B. Roberts**, assistant professor of economics, earned his Ph.D. in economics from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, in 1981. He is an expert in economics as it relates to race and gender, and has written extensively on Marxism.

**Theresa A. Theodose**, assistant professor of biological sciences, earned her Ph.D. in plant community ecology from the University of Colorado in 1995. She is an expert on alpine tundra plant communities.

**H. Fred Walker**, assistant professor of technology, earned his Ph.D. in industrial education from Iowa State University in 1995. He is an expert in automated manufacturing and has done extensive work for the U.S. Navy.

**Lisa Walker**, assistant professor of English, is expected to earn her Ph.D. in English from Louisiana State University in 1995. She is a specialist in racial and sexual identities.

**Nancy Wanderer**, visiting associate professor of law, earned her J.D. from the University of Maine School of Law in 1990. She most recently worked as attorney for the executive director of the Maine Health Care Finance Commission. She also has worked in the area of employment discrimination.

**Darryn S. Willoughby**, assistant professor of recreation and leisure studies, earned his Ph.D. in kinesiology from Texas A & M University in 1993. He is a specialist in strength and endurance training, and recently worked as a coach for a semi-professional football team.

**Trudy Wilson**, assistant professor of art education, earned her Ph.D. in education from Indiana University in 1992. She is an expert in the analysis of interactions between expert instructors and middle school age learners, as well as how children learn to communicate through multimedia and the use of color in instructional materials.



The Maine Legislature has recognized the work of faculty member Michael Hamilton with a Joint Legislative Proclamation honoring Hamilton's work in Indonesia. Pictured from the left during a recent presentation ceremony are President Richard L. Pattenaude, Hamilton, and State Representative Michael F. Brennan of Portland. Hamilton, an associate professor of political science, is the principal author of an international agreement between the U.S. and Indonesia that is expected to help reduce the destruction of Indonesian rain forests and increase opportunities for trade between the two countries. Specifically, the agreement is a technical assistance agreement designed to lessen the environmental impact of Indonesia's coal mining operations and other mineral development programs. Indonesia, with immense reserves of high-quality coal, also is an environmentally rich nation, with rain forests that cover two thirds of the country, second only to Brazil in area.

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## What We're Doing

E. MICHAEL BRADY, professor of human resource development, has been elected president of the Maine Gerontological Society. His article, co-authored with ALLEIGHTON, research assistant, and ELLEN FOWLER, training specialist, both of the Muskie Institute, "Pre-Retirement Education Models and Content: A New England Study," based upon research funded by the AARP Andrus Foundation, has been accepted for publication in *Educational Gerontology*. A personal reflection titled "Black Elk Speaks, An Adult Educator Listens" appears in the summer 1995 issue of *Adult Learning*.

PEG BROWN, associate executive director of University Advancement and director of Corporate Relations, presented a workshop titled "Philanthropy in America—The Challenges and Opportunities" at the American Association of Public Administrators International Conference in San Antonio, July 22.

MATTHEW H. EDNEY, associate professor of cartography and geography, was elected in September to be the chairperson of the International Cartographic Association's Standing Commission on the History of Cartography. As chair, he plans to establish a world-wide web site to act as an information center for historians of cartography and to provide a bibliography of the current literature in the discipline.

MUHAMMAD A. EL-TAHA, associate professor of mathematics, gave a presentation on "A New Concept of Pathwise Stability for Multiserver Input-Output Processes" at the first National Institute for Operation Research and the Management Sciences national conference held in Los Angeles in May. An article he co-authored, "Sample-Path Techniques in Queries Theory" was published in the September 1995 issue in *Advances in Queries: Theory, Methods, and Open Problem*. His article, "Pathwise Rate-Stability for Input-Output Processes," was accepted for publication by *Queueing Systems: Theory and Applications* in 1996.

ROY A. GALLANT, planetarium director, recently returned from an expedition to Siberia where he became the first foreigner ever to visit the Sikhote-Alin meteorite site, created by an iron meteorite explosion in 1947. He will publish papers in three scientific publications describing his work at the site.

SAT GUPTA, director, Graduate Program in Statistics, had a paper he co-authored, "A

Time Domain Approach to Estimating Fractionally Integrated ARIMA," accepted for publication in *The Journal of Information and Optimization Sciences*.

MICHAEL S. HAMILTON, associate professor of political science, environmental science and policy, published a bibliography on "Surface Mining Regulation and Reclamation" in electronic media on Internet and floppy disc in July 1995 (<http://www.usm.maine.edu/~pos/osmdos.txt>). His article, "U.S. Environmental Expertise Finds Asian Markets" was published in *Public Administration Times*, the monthly national newsletter of the American Society for Public Administration.

H. DRAPER HUNT III, professor of history, has 18 biographical sketches included in the "Biographical Dictionary of the Union." These include sketches of Hannibal Hamlin, Joshua L. Chamberlain and James G. Blaine, as well as brief biographies of Civil War governors of, and congressmen from, Maine.

MARIUSZ JANKOWSKI, assistant professor of electrical engineering, was named the 1995 recipient of the Nelson Small Prize, an award given annually to the person who has made special contributions to USM's Electrical Engineering Program.

JOHN G. LaBRIE, acting associate director of extended academic programs will be a panelist at the North American Association of Summer Sessions' national conference in November. The panel will focus on how to develop and market weekend programs. He also has been elected to the financial committee of NAASS for a three-year appointment.

PETER M. LEHMAN, associate professor of sociology, and Kathi Shibles, an undergraduate student in sociology, presented a paper, "The Transformation of Trash: Creation of a Commodity," at the annual meetings of the Law and Society Association in June, 1995.

KATHLEEN I. MacPHERSON, professor of nursing and women's studies, has a review essay, "Going to the Source: Women Reclaim Menopause" in *Feminist Studies* (Summer, 1995). She presented a paper titled "Risk Benefit Analysis for Hormone Therapy: Pseudo Science, One Piece of the Puzzle, or the Final Answer?" at the 11th Society for Menstrual Cycle Research conference in Montreal, Quebec, June 2-4. While in Montreal, she was interviewed by Myra Luke on her radio talk show on station CJAD.

JULIEN S. MURPHY, associate professor of

philosophy, has a book, "The Constructed Body: AIDS, Reproductive Technology, and Ethics" (State University of New York) published this August. She also published a chapter, "Simone de Beauvoir and the Algerian War: Toward a Post-Colonial Ethics" in "Rereading the Canon: Feminist Interpretations of Simone de Beauvoir" published this June by Penn State Press. She has been invited to edit an anthology of feminist philosophy on the work of Jean Paul Sartre for Penn State Press. Her participation in an upcoming conference on the impact of Human Genome Initiative on society has been funded by the National Institutes of Health.

BARBARA RICH, associate professor of social welfare, recently presented a workshop, "Beyond Resistance: Group Work with Sexually Victimized Male Juvenile Offenders," at the Child Welfare League of America conference held May 22-24 in Waltham, Mass.

TED S. STURMAN, assistant professor of psychology, gave two presentations at the meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology in Washington D.C. this past July. He presented the paper titled "A Motivational Perspective on Candidate Evaluation," and was a discussant on a panel titled "Theoretical and Epistemological Aspects in Psychopolitical Analysis."

CHARLENE SUSCAVAGE, associate professor of Spanish, was awarded a summer grant by the Modern Language Association of America to do research in Great Britain on the politicizing of 17th century Spanish literary culture.

DAVID WAGNER, associate professor of social work and social work and sociology, will serve on the editorial board of a new journal titled *Journal of Poverty: Innovations on Social, Political and Economic Inequalities*. He will also serve as a consultant on non-fiction for a new national literary journal called *Flying Horse* which will publish the work of poor people, prisoners, and others excluded from dominant literary journals.

WILLIAM W. WELLS, law librarian and professor of law, was asked to serve as the consultant for the automation of the university library at the University of Asmara in Eritrea, Africa. Other international partners in the effort are universities from Australia, England, and the Netherlands.

L. KINVIN WROTH, professor of law, was elected president of the Portland Symphony Orchestra Board of Trustees at its 70th annual meeting last May.

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