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Founders Week Events



Join the campus in these Founders Week events:

Monday, October 12

Staff luncheon, hosted by President and Mrs. Ramsay
11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., atrium, National Museum of Dentistry
open to all University staff

Tuesday, October 13

Student breakfast, hosted by President and Mrs. Ramsay
7-9:30 a.m., atrium, National Museum of Dentistry
open to all University students

Wednesday, October 14

President's State of the Campus address
noon, Medical School Teaching Facility auditorium
open to all University community members

Research Lecture of the Year: "Translational Research in the Era of Managed Care: Challenges & Opportunities"

Lewis J. Rubin, MD
professor of medicine and physiology, School of Medicine

4 p.m., Davidge Hall

tickets required

Reception to follow at 5 p.m.

atrium, National Museum of Dentistry

Thursday, October 15

Founders Day Gala
6:30 p.m., Baltimore Hilton
tickets required

For more information contact Erin Mulgrew in the Office of Special Events, 6-8035.



"Children of the World" Photo Exhibit Comes to University Library



Patricia Krongard

A photo documentary, "Children of the World/The Worlds of Children," by Patricia Lion Krongard, will go on display in the library Oct. 6 and remain through the end of the year. The exhibit inaugurates the University's Art Associates Program. Krongard is a noted Baltimore photographer and member of the University's Board of Visitors. See page 2 for more about this exhibit.



Anne Gummerson

The new Health Sciences and Human Services Library has 900 seats and 282 windows.

Library to be Dedicated With Humor and Art

Chris Hart and Nancy Volkers

The Health Sciences and Human Services Library is "a physical symbol for the University of Maryland's dedication to the search for knowledge," says Frieda Weise, MLS, its director. The \$32 million facility, which opened for business April 3, was eight years in planning and building and funded entirely by the citizens of Maryland.

On Sept. 17, a formal dedication ceremony will officially welcome the library's new building at 601 W. Lombard St. The day will include a presentation by John Morreall, PhD, on "Humor for the Health of It." Morreall is an internationally recognized expert on humor in the workplace.

Says University President David J. Ramsay, "The library is one of the first places you look in order to measure the quality of an institution of higher education. Those who see our new library, from the outside and the inside, will have no doubt as to the seriousness of our academic mission. This wonderful building puts us in a leadership position on an international scale."

The library's 1,500 computer data connections are the greatest number of any medical library in the country. But accessing the facility off-site doesn't allow the user to walk the 104-step staircase that spans an entire block along Greene Street. It's one of the longest stairways in Baltimore.

The second largest medical library building on the East Coast was "a dream project" for architect Edward C. Kohls, AIA, principal in the joint venture team of the Design Collective in Baltimore and Perry, Dean, Rogers and Partners in Boston.

"We were charged with a major task — one that will be faced by other large institutions," Kohls explains. "How do we preserve the traditional role of the book as a primary research tool while promoting the technology that is more important every day?"

The library is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.

The library dedication — Sept. 17 at 1:30 p.m. — is open to the campus community and will include tours and a reception.

Food (and Drink) for Thought

The biggest choices in a library are usually where to sit, which computer to use, and how many books to check out. The new Health Sciences and Human Services Library adds another: would you like latte or herbal tea with your pastry?

In August, the library opened the Tower Cafe on the first floor. The cafe serves coffee and coffee drinks, tea (hot and cold), chai, and fancy pastries. Current hours are 8 a.m.-3 p.m., but manager Andrew Kyriacos may

change these times based on demand. In the rest of the library, drinks are allowed as long as they're in a special library mug (\$5, at the circulation desk).



Library Houses "Children of the World" Photo Exhibit



Patricia Krongard

Jo R. Martin

"I suggest we move church to Mondays so our weekends can be free," the little boy earnestly told Patricia Lion Krongard when she photographed him in Ireland. Not one to diminish the thoughts of a child, she recorded his comments and added them to her collection of children's images and ideas.

The little boy thus joined a group of 50 subjects collected by Krongard in a photo project called "Children of the World/The Worlds of Children," on display in the new Health Sciences and Human Services Library beginning Oct. 6. The exhibit inaugurates the University's Art Associates program, which was conceived by Krongard.

"When Pat Krongard joined our Board of Visitors this year, I knew we would see new levels of creativity on our campus," says President David J. Ramsay.

"Her photo project is exactly the kind of statement the University wants to make to the community: That we're a center of professional higher education with an appreciation for the thoughts and feelings and connections that the arts represent."

Krongard completed the project during a journey including Ireland, England, Australia, India, Vietnam, Thailand, Brazil, and Iceland. She photographed each child looking directly into the lens and asked them five questions about how they see the world.

She reflects on the experience:

"It always came back to their eyes," she says. "Those children's eyes expressed the truth and gave me a sense of awe in their level of understanding of the world. In the end, this exhibit is about two people of different ages and worlds who unconsciously connected through their eyes."

The exhibit, which runs from Oct. 6 through the end of the year, is free; its hours coincide with library hours: Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sat. 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m.-8 p.m.



Patricia Krongard

Nursing Building Cornerstone Set



photo courtesy of the School of Nursing

School of Nursing Dean Barbara R. Heller and University President David J. Ramsay get a hand from a feathered friend, the Oriole Bird, as they help place the cornerstone during the ceremony and picnic celebrating the near-completion of the School's building.

Elizabeth Cavanaugh

On June 22, The School of Nursing celebrated the setting of its new building's cornerstone. Public officials, School of Nursing supporters, campus leaders, faculty members, staff members and students gathered on the construction site to commemorate the near-completion of the \$38 million research and teaching facility.

Many who helped to make the dream of "Building the Future" a reality were on hand to sign the back of the stone and present Dean Barbara R. Heller with items for the School's time capsule, which will be buried in November. Speakers at the ceremony included President David J. Ramsay; Patricia S. Florestano, Maryland Secretary of Higher Education; Richard N. Dixon, Maryland State Treasurer; Maggie K. Whall, president of the School's alumni association and a member of the Board of Visitors; Maria E. Watkins,

president of the Student Government Association, and Ruth M. Harris, acting chair of the School's Adult Health Nursing Department, representing the faculty.

The cornerstone, which is engraved with the year of the building's establishment, was set into place with help from Dean Heller, President Ramsay and the Oriole Bird, who was the special guest at this "Day at the Ballpark" themed event. The 1,400-lb. stone rests in the southwest corner of the building.

The names of Board of Public Works members (Parris N. Glendening, governor; the late Louis L. Goldstein, former state comptroller; Mr. Dixon), President Ramsay and Dean Heller are engraved on the stone to recognize their support and contributions to the building. After the ceremony, guests were treated to a ballpark picnic, including hot dogs, popcorn and ice cream. The 150,000-square-foot building will open officially November 14 with a gala.

RESEARCH NEWS

University Scientists in *Pfiesteria* Spotlight

Jennifer Donovan

University researchers have received a multimillion-dollar grant to study *Pfiesteria* and have also published data documenting for the first time serious but reversible neuropsychological effects of exposure to *Pfiesteria*-infested water.

The National Institutes of Health's National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences has awarded a five-year, \$6.3 million *Pfiesteria* research grant to the School of Medicine, the University of Maryland Biotechnology Institute's Center of Marine Biotechnology (COMB) and the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine for one of the most extensive research projects ever undertaken on the toxic, whip-tailed micro-organisms. The grant will fund four interconnected research projects and two supporting core facilities.

In addition, Lynn Grattan, PhD, J. Glenn Morris Jr., MD, MPH, and others published a paper in the Aug. 15 *Lancet*

describing "a new clinical syndrome with a distinctive neuropsychological profile," according to Grattan. A neuropsychologist and associate professor of neurology at the School of Medicine, Grattan performed neuropsychological evaluations of 24 people exposed to *Pfiesteria* toxins in Maryland waterways last summer.

"We have moved from public controversy to hard scientific data," says Morris, a professor of medicine, epidemiology and preventive medicine at the School of Medicine. "This puts the spotlight on the human health issues, where it belongs."

Morris headed the state-appointed medical team that examined people who complained of symptoms after exposure to *Pfiesteria*-infested waters.

Pfiesteria piscidida is the scientific name of a species of dinoflagellates, a class of microbes. Some species of dinoflagellates are responsible for "red tides," which occur when the organisms reproduce in large numbers.

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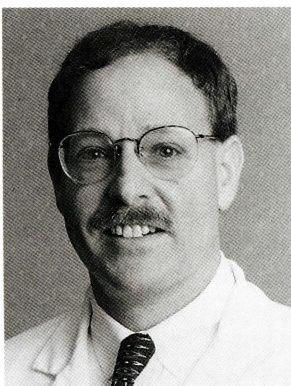
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Coed, 3-year-olds thru Grade 5

Barbara R. Heller, EdD, RN, FAAN, dean of the School of Nursing, was named one of 15 fellows of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The prestigious new leadership program provides three-year fellowships for nurses in executive roles in health services, public health and nursing education.

"One of the most important contributions nursing leaders can make today is to articulate a coherent vision of the future of both the profession and the health care delivery system," says Marilyn Chow, DNSc, RN, FAAN, program director. "This program will give nurse executives the tools and competencies to build that strategic vision."



Robert A. Barish, MD, MBA, was recently named associate dean for Clinical Affairs at the School of Medicine. In this newly

created position, Barish will lead the patient-care activities of the school's physician faculty practice and ensure that clinical services are of excellent quality, are cost effective, and are delivered with compassion. Barish joined the University's Department of Surgery in 1985 as director of Emergency Medicine, a post he held for 11 years.

Frederick A. DiBlasi, PhD, was selected as the 1998 Social Worker of the Year. DiBlasi is a professor in the School of Social Work and a nationally recognized authority on forgiveness. The award was given by the National Association of Social Workers - Maryland Chapter and the Maryland Society for Clinical Social Workers.

Peter Hu, director of Information Systems in the Department of Anesthesiology, has been elected president of the Network Professional Association of Maryland for a two-year term. The organization has more than 10,000 members worldwide.

David Karaolis, PhD, instructor of medicine in the School of Medicine, won a \$500,000 Burroughs Wellcome Fund Career Award in the Biomedical Sciences. Karaolis was chosen for his research on the role of pathogenicity islands (clusters of virulence genes) in the emergence, pathogenesis and spread of epidemic and pandemic cholera. The prize is part of \$12.5 million awarded this year to promising young biomedical scientists in the United States and Canada by the British-based Burroughs Wellcome Fund. Career awards are designed to bridge the gap between advanced postdoctoral education and the first three years as a faculty member.

Myron M. Levine, MD, professor and director of the Center for Vaccine Development in the School of Medicine, has been honored with this year's Albert B. Sabin Gold Medal. The award is given by the Albert B. Sabin Vaccine Institute in recognition of Levine's achievements in the field of vaccinology. He was chosen for his distinguished work in basic, clinical and epidemiologic field research, his dedication to teaching and his contributions to his local and global community.

Janice M. Phillips, PhD, RN, has been selected to serve as one of eight trustees assigned to head the Howard County Community Health Foundation. Phillips is an assistant professor in the Department of Adult Health Nursing and an American Cancer Society Professor at the School of Nursing. Phillips will be a part of the team that will oversee this new \$40 million foundation, established as a result of the recent merger between the Johns Hopkins Health System and Howard County General Hospital. The board will begin work next year and will fund a range of health services, including dental, drug abuse prevention and disease prevention programs.



Mary M. Rodgers, PhD, has been appointed chair of the Department of Physical Therapy in the School of Medicine. Rodgers has

been on the medical school faculty since 1994; previously she held appointments at West Virginia University and Wright State University (Mich.).

Martha Scholz, assistant vice president for development, Office of External Affairs, and campus development officers received the 1998 Circle of Excellence in Education Fund-raising Award from the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). The recognition honors outstanding fund-raising programs across the country.

Phyllis W. Sharps, PhD, RN, has been awarded a \$20,000 grant by the National Black Nurses Association to study attitudes, knowledge, and perceptions of African American women about menopausal health. Sharps is an assistant professor in the School of Nursing and will be joined on the project by **Janice M. Phillips, PhD, RN**, assistant professor of adult health nursing and an American Cancer Society Professor at the School.

U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna E. Shalala has invited **Ellen K. Silbergeld, PhD**, to serve on the Advisory Committee to the Director of the National Center for Environmental Health, Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Her appointment runs until April 30, 2000. Silbergeld is professor of epidemiology and preventive medicine and director of the School of Medicine's Program in Human Health and the Environment.

Baltimore City Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke appointed **Ronald S. Wade** to the Baltimore-Luxor-Alexandria Sister City committee for a one-year term. Since 1972, the Sister City Program has provided Baltimore citizens with an opportunity to interact with citizens around the world. Wade is director of the Anatomical Services Division in the School of Medicine. Baltimore's sister cities of Luxor and Alexandria are in Egypt.

YouthWorks Program a Success

The University's 1998 summer youth employment program, YouthWorks, involved students from Douglas and Western Senior High Schools mentored by University staff members. Each student had a summer job at the University and was matched with two members of the University community, who volunteered their time to provide support and assist the students in exploring career options. The program also included weekly activities, ranging from tours of campus sights to resume writing and interviewing skills workshops.

Student Sherria Owens said that having mentors "was the absolute zenith of the program. My mentors were nurturing, caring and supportive."

The Office of Human Resource Services, which coordinates YouthWorks, thanks the Mentoring Committee and the mentors for their participation. For more information about the program, or to participate next summer, call 6-7302.

University Honors Employees of the Month

June

Joseph B. Van Sant

Anatomical Services Specialist, Anatomical Services Division, School of Medicine

Years of University Service: 10

Nominator's comments: Mr. Van Sant coordinates and schedules the use of anatomical material in conjunction with the Anatomy-Surgical Training Laboratory that allows surgeons, medical and dental residents, and other allied health students to effectively use these resources . . . In addition, with his many years of service as a funeral director, he counsels potential anatomical donors and families with regard to program policies, legal requirements, and other matters relating to the needs of the bereaved. Mr. Van Sant . . . is always pleasant and helpful; he never shrugs additional duties, increased workload or additional time needed to complete tasks. He is a valued and valuable employee.

July

James A. Wright

Laboratory Animal Technician, Veterinary Resources, School of Medicine

Years of University Service: 21

Nominator's comments: Caring for a complicated system like a mammal . . . is not just making sure the animal has food, water, and a clean cage to live in, but is also understanding how to reduce the number of variables for the scientist . . . The most important aspect of his job is to understand what the faculty member is trying to accomplish so he can provide a variable-free environment for the animal. Without the efforts of people like James, it would be entirely possible that animal life could be lost at a great expense to the scientific community at this university . . . James is an important member of the University community and deserves recognition.

IN MEMORIAM

Ralph F. Shangraw, PhD

Ralph F. Shangraw, PhD, professor emeritus and former chair of the department of pharmaceuticals, School of Pharmacy, died July 10 of pulmonary problems. He was 68.

Shangraw joined the School of Pharmacy in 1958 and remained until his retirement in 1995. He directed research, served as a mentor to more than 50 doctoral and master's degree students, and published more than 100 articles in scientific and professional journals. As part of his research, Shangraw discovered that nitroglycerin tablets could lose a significant part of their potency depending on their storage container. This led the Food and Drug Administration to change requirements for nitroglycerin's packaging and labeling. Shangraw was also instrumental in discovering that many calcium supplements were not sufficiently absorbed by women's bodies, which resulted in new performance and quality standards for the supplements.

A native of Rutland, Vt., Shangraw became interested in the pharmacy profession while working at his father's drugstore. He graduated from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, where he also received a master's degree, and obtained a doctorate in pharmaceutical chemistry from the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy in 1958.

Shangraw's awards include the Research Achievement Award from the Academy of Pharmaceutical Scientists in 1989 and the Distinguished Educator of the Year of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy in 1991. Upon his retirement, the University established the Ralph F. Shangraw Endowment Fund, which supports a professorship in the School of Pharmacy.

Shangraw is survived by his wife of 43 years, Marilyn; two sons, Ralph and Randall; a daughter, Sharilyn Kaplan, and four grandchildren.

Sheila Lambert

Sheila Lambert, business manager in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, School of Pharmacy, died Aug. 7 from complications of leukemia. She was 32.

Lambert was diagnosed last September with acute lymphocytic leukemia. Though a bone-marrow match was found through the National Marrow Donor Program, Lambert's condition precluded a transplant.

A trust fund has been established for Lambert's sons, Donnie, 10, and James, 4. Donations can be directed to the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy; Pharmaceutical Sciences Dept., Room 536; 20 N. Pine St.; Baltimore, MD 21201; Attn: Lin Geelhaar. In addition to her sons, Lambert is survived by her foster mother, Yvonne Frenz, and her father.

FYI contains information on University events, organizations, and groups, as well as public service announcements from the community.

Grollman Lectures



The Grollman Lecture for the 1997-98 academic year held in May featured Yale University biochemist Paul B. Sigler, MD, PhD, speaking about his research in chaperonin-assisted protein folding. Pictured from the left are Sigler, Mrs. Maurice Grollman Glick and Evelyn Grollman-Wolff (representing the Grollman family) and Richard Thompson, PhD, assistant professor of biochemistry and molecular biology.

Upcoming Lecture

The Grollman Lecture for the 1998-99 academic year will be held Sept. 22 at 2 p.m. in the Dennis Auditorium at the Baltimore VA Medical Center. The Dr. Aaron I. Grollman Visiting Professorship was established and endowed in 1981 by Ellis Grollman, PhG, School of Pharmacy class of 1926, in honor of his brother, Aaron Grollman, a 1928 graduate of the School of Medicine.

Carla J. Shatz, PhD, a professor of neurobiology at the University of California, Berkeley and an investigator in the Howard Hughes Medical Institute there will speak on "Form from Function in Brain Wiring." Shatz's research focuses on the ways in which the brain's neural circuitry is wired during prenatal and neonatal development, particularly in the visual system. Shatz also will give a research lecture on Sept. 23, titled "Subplate Neurons, Neurotrophins and Ocular Dominance Columns." The lecture will also be held at 2 p.m. in the Dennis Auditorium.

Responsibility for the lecture series rotates among the School of Medicine's basic science departments. The May lecture was sponsored by the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. The September lectures are sponsored by the Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology.

Volunteers Wanted

Voices for Children, a non-profit organization in Howard County, is looking for volunteer advocates and mentors for abused, neglected and at-risk children. Volunteers work with the children, their families, agency professionals and the courts to ensure that children have safe permanent homes and adequate treatment and rehabilitation. There is a mandatory 30-hour training program and volunteers must be cleared by the FBI and the state's Department of Social Services. They must be 21 and are expected to make a year-long commitment. Supervision and support are provided by Voices for Children staff. The next training session begins September 28. For more information or an application call (410) 740-0933.

AA Meetings

Meetings are every Monday at 12:15 p.m. in the Student Union's second-floor Alumni Lounge. Bring your lunch. For more information call 8-5860.

Eating Disorders Group

The Psychiatry Clinic, School of Medicine, has started an eating disorders therapy group. The group meets Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m. at 701 W. Pratt St., second floor. Therapists Patricia Nnadi and Alla Taller will run the group. The clinic accepts many types of insurance and also has a sliding scale. Call 8-6018 for more information or to register for the group.

Work-Study Web Page

The Federal Work-Study web page is up and running; <www.umaryland.edu/fin/workstud> provides:

- student request forms
- job opportunities
- the work-study handbook
- e-mail access to the work-study coordinator

Contact Gillian Wilkins at 6-7347 or <gwilkins@gssfa.umaryland.edu> with questions.

Campus Hosts Estrogen Researchers

The Fifth Annual Interdisciplinary Women's Health Research Symposium, "Estrogen: Celebrating 75 Years of Discovery," will be Nov. 6-7 in the Medical School Teaching Facility. Some of the world's research experts will share information and set the agenda in estrogen research. The Women's Health Research Group, the Center of Excellence in Women's Health and the Center for Studies in Reproduction host the symposium.

Registration is \$75 before Oct. 15 and \$90 after that date. The student rate is \$50, with photocopy of student ID. Student scholarships are available to full-time University System of Maryland graduate students on a first-come, first-serve basis. For registration information, call 6-1737, e-mail whrg@epi.umaryland.edu, or stop by Howard Hall 132C.

Research Study: Type II Diabetes

The Joslin Center for Diabetes at University of Maryland Medicine is currently looking for Type II (adult-onset) diabetics who are not successfully treated with diet and exercise, may be taking oral anti-diabetic medication, and are age 21-80. Those who meet qualifications are eligible to participate in a seven-month research study and receive free medical care, study medication, and a home glucose monitor with strips. For more information contact 6-1632.

Smoking Cessation

The next smoking cessation program in the Adult Outpatient Psychiatry Clinic will begin Sept. 15, with a goal of quitting smoking by Oct. 26. The program offers education, a support group, the nicotine patch, hypnotherapy, free memberships to the Athletic Center, and other benefits. University Network insurance covers the program; those insured by other programs should check with their insurers. The fee is \$200 for uninsured participants or those whose insurance will not cover the program. For more information or to register, call Dee Sewell at 8-1815.

Evening MBA Program

The Robert H. Smith School of Business at the University of Maryland, College Park, will offer an evening MBA program on campus beginning Jan. 4. An information session will be held Sept. 15 at 7 p.m. at the Baltimore Center, 10 Hopkins Plaza. For classes beginning in January, the application deadline is Oct. 1. For more information or to request an application, call (301) 405-2559 or e-mail <mbsa_info@rhsmith.umd.edu>. Information is also available at <www.rhsmith.umd.edu>.

Fire Prevention Week

The Great Escape

No, this isn't the 1963 film starring Steve McQueen and James Garner; the University fire marshal has been working on The Great Escape — the first-ever North American "en masse" fire drill, to be held Oct. 7 at 6 p.m. — with the non-profit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and fire departments throughout the United States and Canada. Held during Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 4-10), The Great Escape is a concerted effort to get citizens involved in fire safety. The fire marshal encourages all students and employees to develop home escape plans and practice them at 6 p.m. Oct. 7.

"If a fire breaks out in your home," explains University Fire Marshal Robert Burke, "you and your family only have a few minutes to escape safely. Home fire escape planning and practice ensure that everyone in the household will know how to use that small window of opportunity effectively to get out alive."

In addition to the fire drill on Oct. 7, Burke invites University employees and students to participate in the North American prize contest. Everyone who develops a home fire escape plan may submit it to their local fire department for

review. (If your fire department is not participating, bring your plan to Burke at 714 W. Lombard St., Room 203.) In November, NFPA will randomly choose one grand prize winner, who will receive a trip for four to Walt Disney World. The vacation is sponsored by KIDDE Safety, a manufacturer of home safety products.

Work-Study Workshop

The Office of Student Financial Aid will hold the Second Annual Work-Study Supervisor Workshop Sept. 10 at 3:30 p.m. in the Baltimore Student Union's Terrace Lounge. The workshop is designed to give all supervisors an overview of work-study and an update on changes. It will also provide supervisors the opportunity to meet one another and the work-study coordinator. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by as soon as possible to Gillian Wilkins at 6-7347 or <gwilkins@gssfa.umaryland.edu>.

Calling Center Thanks Sponsors

On behalf of the Student Caller Program, the University of Maryland Calling Center staff would like to extend its appreciation and gratitude for the generosity of:

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- Walters Art Gallery, Baltimore
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The OM View: Maintenance

What follows is a new regular feature from Operations and Maintenance (OM) Director Pat Tate.

Operations and Maintenance is here to stay, albeit unnoticed most of the time. And that's the way it should be. But I'd like to acquaint everyone with the University infrastructure and all the utilities and services we often take for granted.

OM generally deals with two types of maintenance: corrective and preventive. Both are recorded on a work order; work orders are either self-generated or accepted from any and all sources. To address a maintenance need, call 6-7570 and the Work Control Center will create a work order to address the issue.

OM processes about 30,000 work orders a year, split almost evenly between corrective and preventive maintenance. The corrective maintenance work orders are prioritized as emergency, urgent and routine. That means "now" (within one hour), "today" (within 24 hours) or "soon" (you'll be contacted within three days about the work). A person trapped in an elevator and a major water leak are examples of emergencies. Roof leaks, elevator adjustments and HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) adjustments are often in the urgent category. Replacing lights, replacing ceiling tiles, patching and painting are usually in the routine category. Most of OM's work orders are reported by maintenance or housekeeping staff, but the office appreciates getting the word from whomever notices the problem. We even appreciate notice of a potential maintenance problem.

"If it ain't broke, don't fix it!" The office has heard that many times and often repeats it as a mantra. Most of the time it's true. But because OM has thousands of customers, millions of dollars in research and a general population counting on our ability to provide service, we have to be proactive. It doesn't make sense to let something break before we fix it; we need to prevent the disruption of service. That's what preventive maintenance (PM) is all about.

We schedule PM on systems, air handlers, motors, switches, pumps, etc. We adjust our schedules as needed. If we do it right, we avoid the broken part and save everyone considerable inconvenience. We try to accomplish as much of the PM as we can after hours and minimize the disruption to service associated with making adjustments, changing belts and replacing parts. And we're always ready and willing to listen to new ideas on how we can "do it better."

OM staff members wear uniforms and have ID badges. We enjoy the challenge of keeping this campus humming and ensuring that everyone can do their job better, easier, more effectively and more efficiently because we've taken care of the infrastructure. We're the University team members wearing the brown uniforms.

Grant Application Forms on the Web

The Office of Research and Development receives many inquiries regarding download sites for grant application forms. The sites listed below are useful in obtaining a variety of both Foundation and Federal forms.

PSC Forms Download Site: <forms.psc.dhhs.gov> The Program Support Center (PSC) offers print-ready forms from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Government Printing Office, Department of Health & Human Services (including the Public Health Service and the National Institutes of Health) and other government agencies. You can request a form by form number and agency or scroll down each agency's list.

Texas Research Administrators Group (TRAM) at Rice University: <www.crpc.rice.edu/TRAM> TRAM's extensive site includes forms in both Mac and PC versions from organizations including the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, the federal departments of Energy and Housing and Urban Development, and the National Institutes of Health. Private foundations such as the American Heart Association, American Cancer Society and Welch Foundation are also listed.

Both TRAM and PSC also provide direct links to the various agencies. **National Institutes of Health (NIH)** forms are also available directly from its site at <www.nih.gov/grants/forms.htm>

The Office of Research and Development, on the fifth floor of the Lombard Building (515 W. Lombard St.), can also copy to your disk NIH's form 2590 in either Word for Mac or for PC. Form 398 is only available in Mac Word/Excel. We always have hard copies of the forms as well as NIH 398, 416-1, and 2490, and the NSF Forms Proposal Guide and Kit. To retrieve forms, you may have to download Adobe Acrobat Reader software first. It is available free either at the NIH site or directly from Adobe at: <www.adobe.com/supportservice/custsupport/download.html> or <www.adobe.com/prodindex/acrobat/readstep.html>. Please contact Alicia Walters at 6-6631 or 6-6723 with questions or for further information.

Security Issues

Chief John J. Collins, director of public safety, reminds the campus community to take the elevators rather than the stairs on campus. According to Collins, most violent crimes occur in stairwells.

Watch this space every month for security tips. For a weekly update on crime occurrences and personal safety, call 6-2677 (6-COPS). The recording is updated each Monday morning. The non-emergency number for the University's police department is 6-6882. Remember: DIAL 711 IN AN EMERGENCY.

Staff Senate

The Staff Senate held its final 1997-98 academic year open forum in June. I would like to extend a note of thanks to all of our guest speakers and to you, the staff, for your support of the Staff Senate. Our first 1998-99 open forum will be in October.

Congratulations to all new staff senators, and to those senators who have been reelected. We thank everyone who ran for a seat in this year's election. Although all seats have been filled, I would like to encourage other to consider volunteering on a committee and/or participating in one of our many outreach activities.

The Executive Committee of the Staff Senate has continued to meet on a regular basis with President Ramsay. Staff issues discussed included the merit pay system, attendance policy, Transit Plus program, Employee of the Month program, promotional opportunities on campus, early retirement, support for employees to attend Staff Senate functions, staff development, etc. President Ramsay is supportive and has referred a number of our suggestions to appropriate campus departments for review and consideration.

The Staff Senate is active on your behalf. In addition to attending monthly meetings, Senate members attend and make specific recommendations at Council of University System Staff (CUSS) meetings, participate in outreach activities, serve on multiple committees, welcome new employees at orientations, and represent your interests to President Ramsay and the deans. I would like to personally thank each senator for his/her commitment to the University.

Nancy C. Malson
Chair



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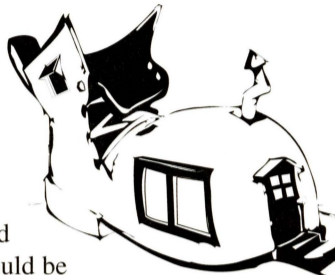
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Calendar submissions are accepted by the editor. The deadline for the October issue is Sept. 14. Submissions will be edited; late submissions may not be accepted. E-mail information to <nvolkers@oemail.umaryland.edu> or fax to 6-0651. E-mail is preferred.

September: This month is "Super Senior September" at the National Museum of Dentistry, with a special admission rate of \$1.50 for seniors.

Sept. 10: The University's annual orientation festival, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Baltimore Student Union; 6-7117.

Sept. 13: Grandparents' Day at the National Museum of Dentistry, 1-3 p.m. Grandparents receive complimentary admission when they visit the museum with their grandchildren. Kids and grandparents can become super sleuths with Totally Teeth, an interactive gallery guide, or participate in many hands-on activities. Toothpaste, toothbrushes and other prizes will be awarded throughout the day. 6-0810.

Sept. 14: First of six-week Rape Aggression Defense System course offered by University Police. Meets Mondays and Wednesdays, either 12-12:50 p.m. or 5:15-6:15 p.m.; \$12; 6-3902.

Sept. 16, 18, 22, 24, 28: CPR Renewal Classes. Each meets 8-10 a.m., GP-3 Clinic, Dental School. Pre-registration and payment of \$30 required; 6-3622.

Sept. 16: "Self-Health: A Woman's Guide to Wellness" lecture series begins with "Breast Self-Exam" by Rose Wolfe, RN, 12-1 p.m. in the University Medical Center, Room N6W104. Sponsored by the University's Center of Excellence in Women's Health, the series is free but registration is limited. The first 20 women to register for each session receive a free lunch. 6-2447.

Sept. 17-18: "HIV Care: Science, Practice, Art," will be held at the Baltimore Convention Center. This conference features new information on HIV care for medical professionals. National, regional, and local faculty members will discuss combination therapy, adherence to medication regimens and practical strategies for working with challenging patients. 8-8674.

Sept. 22: Aaron I. Grollman Lecture, 2 p.m., Dennis Auditorium, Baltimore VA Medical Center. "Form from Function in Brain Wiring" by Carla J. Shatz, PhD, University of California, Berkeley.

Sept. 23: Research seminar, 2 p.m., Dennis Auditorium, Baltimore VA Medical Center. "Subplate Neurons, Neurotrophins and Ocular Dominance Columns" by Carla J. Shatz, PhD, University of California, Berkeley.

Sept. 23: Self-Health lecture series continues with "Natural Estrogen and Progesterone" by Frank Blatt, PharmD; 12-1 p.m., University Medical Center, Room N6W104. 6-2447 to register. See Sept. 16 for more information.

Sept. 27: Juvenile Diabetes Walk-a-Thon at the Baltimore Zoo, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; (410) 356-4555.

Oct. 2: Nursing and health policy forum at the University of Maryland Shady Grove Center, Rockville, Md. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The program features Virginia Trotter Betts, senior advisor on Nursing & Policy to the secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, as well as other distinguished speakers. 6-3767 or <erickson@nurse-1.umaryland.edu>.

Oct. 7: Self-Health lecture series continues with "Breast Cancer: What is My Genetic Risk?" by Lisa Steinberg, MS, CGC; 12-1 p.m., University Medical Center, Room N6W104. 6-2447 to register. See Sept. 16 for more information.

Oct. 12-15: Founders Week at the University of Maryland. Featured are President Ramsay's "State of the Campus" lecture; a student breakfast and staff luncheon; a talk by the Research Lecturer of the Year, and a gala celebration at the Baltimore Hilton and Towers. For more information see page 1 or call 6-8035.

Oct. 12: "Palliative Medicine: Promoting Quality of Life in Chronic and Terminal Illness," a twelve-lecture series in palliative care, begins today and runs through Nov. 19. The series is jointly sponsored by the University of Maryland Medical System and the Johns Hopkins Hospital. The lectures are free.

Today's lecture is "Delirium" by William Breitbart, MD, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, N.Y. 5:30 p.m. in the Preclinical Teaching Building Lecture Hall at Johns Hopkins.

Oct. 14: Self-Health lecture series continues with "Massage" (speaker to be announced); 12-1 p.m., University Medical Center, Room N6W104. 6-2447 to register. See Sept. 16 for more information.

Oct. 15: Palliative Medicine lecture series continues with "Barriers to Pain Management" by Mitchell Cohen, MD, Jefferson Medical College (Pa.); 5:30 p.m. in the Shock Trauma Center Auditorium. 8-5725. See Oct. 12 for more information.

Oct. 19: Palliative Medicine lecture series continues with "What the American Public Wants re: End of Life Care" by Beverly A. Tyler, American Health Decisions; 5:30 p.m. in Johns Hopkins' Hurd Hall. 8-5725. See Oct. 12 for more information.

Oct. 22: Palliative Medicine lecture series continues with "Regulatory Issues and Their Impact on End of Life Care" by Jack Schwartz, Office of the Attorney General for the State of Maryland; 5:30 p.m. in the Shock Trauma Center Auditorium. 8-5725. See Oct. 12 for more information.

Oct. 23-25: The First Congress on Kangaroo Care at the Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor. Kangaroo care involves close contact between parents and premature infants, promoting development. 6-3767 or <erickson@nurse-1.umaryland.edu>.

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