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# Newsletter



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## AWord From Our Chair

Fall is upon us and a new season begins for the Arts & Science Staff Network. Busy with plans of fun activities and charity drives, the group is off to a great start. Check out the ASSN web page (http://web. missouri.edu/~assn/), see who your representatives are and review some of the activities held last year. The School Supply Drive was a great success, and I want to thank everyone for participating. A special thank you to the department contacts for going the extra mile in setting up boxes and collecting materials. The supplies were divided and given to two schools, Bush Middle School in Fulton and Hallsville School.

### **ASSN Progress Report**

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- Congratulations to • Louis Ross in Geological Sciences, the recipient of the **ASSN Enrichment** Award. He is using this award to attend Microscopy and Microanalysis 2001, the annual joint meeting of the Microscopy Society of America and the Microbeam Analysis Society.
- Keep an eye out for

our new **ASSN T-Shirts**. They will be on sale during November. The School Sup-



plies Drive was a success. We had 12 departments participate. Some It's a pleasure to work with such a great bunch of people. If you see something on the web page that you would like to get involved in just e-mail any of the members, and they will gladly fill you in on the excitement of being on the Arts & Staff Network.

Patty Eggleston Chair, ASSN



items donated were Kleenex, crayons, ruled notebook paper, washable markers, pencils, a variety of folders and binders.



#### Meet Our Department American Archaeology by Melody Galen

On the east side of Francis Quadrangle, nestled between Jesse Hall and the Chancellor's Residence, resides Swallow Hall, one of the university's hidden je wels-especially hidden now under all the renovation. Swallow is home to the D epartment of Anthropology, which had its humble beginnings in 1966 when it separated from the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. In the beginning, the department had nine faculty on campus and one at Van Meter Park in Saline County. There were 20 graduate students in residence then. Today, there are 14 faculty and over 60 graduate students

The American Archaeology Division is a branch of the Anthropology Department. Housed in the Museum Support Center on Rock Quarry Road, it acts as the collection curation/research arm of the Museum of Anthropology. In the unique position of being the sole federally approved archaeological curation facility in Missouri, the Museum Support Center is a major center for research in the study of American archaeology. Further, the Support Center serves as the state's repository for the majority of all archaeological, research and educational material produced in conjunction with federally mandated cultural resource management projects. In addition, collections of ethnographic, historical, library and archival materials are made available to researchers at the Museum Support Center's facilities.

If you want to explore your cultural roots, swing by one of the more visible aspects of the department, the Museum of Anthropology, founded in 1939. Interestingly, it is the only anthropology museum in Missouri and one of only a

few in the Midwest. The museum, 1ocated on the first floor of Swallow Hall, has a diverse international collection that includes one of the most comprehensive archery collections in the world: the Grayson Archery Collection. Visiting is easy because not only are arranged tours given throughout the year but the museum is free and open to the public during regular hours (9-4 M-F). The Museum's ethnographic and historical collections, library and archival materials and the Grayson Archery Collection are also housed and made available to researchers at the Museum Support Center's facilities. If you want to find out more, visit the museum's web site for a

preview of what you will find: http://coas. missouri.edu/ anthromuseum.

The Missouri Archaeological Society, founded in 1934 as a nonprofit organization dedicated exclusively to educational and charitable purposes, also comes under the auspices of the American Archaeology Division. As a membership

organization, the society publishes books on Missouri archaeology and other anthropology related topics and it also sponsors Missouri Archaeology Month every September. Visit the Missouri Archaeological Society's web site at http://coas.missouri. edu/mas.

The Archaeological Survey of Missouri is a joint venture of the American Archaeology Division and the Missouri Archaeological Society. The Survey acts as the repository for information on all prehistoric and historical-period sites reported in Missouri. Since its establishment it has provided access to key information in performing research and cultural resource management. The files are available on a controlled basis for persons, organizations or companies involved in research and cultural resource management.



Swallow Hall

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We will feature a different A&S department in each newsletter. We may call you to find out more about your department.

## Coring Events

#### Events in Arts & Science

Several events are tentatively scheduled for the coming months. Note that these dates/times are subject to change. Expect more detailed information about each activity as the time draws near.

• Holiday Potluck Luncheon— Tues., December 18, 2001, 11:30 a.m.

• Remember to bring old Christmas cards with you if you would like to make a Christmas ornament. • A&S Bowling Tournament (during A&S Week)—Fri., February 15, 2002

- Gather up some friends from A&S (faculty, staff and students are welcome to participate) and form a team to compete in this competition. *Really* bad bowlers are esp ecially welcome!
- Food Drive (during A&S Week)—February
  2002

• Preschool Supplies Drive — Spring 2002

• ASSN Luncheon—April/ May 2002

If you have an idea for an event you'd like to see take place, please contact someone on the Network. It's possible that we could enlist the aid of other groups/ committees on campus to make it happen.

A&S Week-February, 11-15, 2002

The Connections Committee has been very busy designing a new handbook to be included in the Welcome Packet. Plans are to include sections on what the Arts and Science Staff Network is, the committee members with a short biography, the Staff Enrichment Award, Staff Helping Staff, Staff Appreciation Award, a list of the Arts & Science departments with contact information, the dean's staff with contacts, other contact phone num-

bers, outside contact phone numbers, web sites and a calendar of events. The handbook is

ASSN Hardrock



A Reference For the Arts & Science Staff Network planned to be finished by October 3rd. The Connections Committee would like to thank everyone who has contributed suggestions and information to make this ASSN handbook a useful tool for new members of the Arts & Science College.

Connections Committee: Ann Fitzpatrick, Robin Brueckner, Glenna Burkett, Phyllis Dussel and Patty Eggleston.

#### 2000-2001 Staff Network Members

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#### Ex-officio - Jill Housh

#### Calendar of Events

Nov. 22 – Thanksgiving, Univ. Closed Nov. 23 – Thanksgiving, Univ. Closed

Dec. 8 – Stop Day Dec. 18 – Holiday Luncheon Dec. 25 – Christmas, Univ. Closed

November - T-shirt sales

Jan. 1 – New Year's, Univ. Closed Jan. 21 – Martin Luther King Day, Univ. Closed Jan. 22 – WS02 Begins

Feb. 11-15 – A&S Week (food drive) Feb. 15 – Bowling Tournament, Oakland Plaza Lanes

Mar. 25-29 – Spring Break

Apr. 12 – Spring Banquet April/May - Preschool Supply Drive

May 11 - Stop Day