Switzler and Tate Halls are undergoing Renovations

Many of you may already know but Switzler and Tate Halls are undergoing extensive renovations. All the faculty, staff and associated items have been moved to other locations. What a job to accomplish all of that! The English Department has been moved to McReynolds Hall and the Communication Department and Special Degree Programs have moved to the Heinkel Building. Good Luck to all and the end result will be worth the effort!

Save the Date!

WINTERFEST “Holiday Potluck Luncheon”

Don’t forget to plan on attending on Tuesday, December 1, 2009 in the Walt Disney Room (N206) in the Memorial Union. Many thanks to our Community Partners, The Butterfly Tattoo gift shop, http://www.thebutterflytattoo.com/, and our local Hy-Vee Grocery at 3100 West Broadway, http://www.hy-vee.com/stores/detail.aspx?s=220. We couldn't do it without them!

From the Chair…

The Granny’s House Drive will end today, so make sure you turn in all your items. We will be picking up donations on Monday afternoon, so any last minute items can still be brought in on Monday morning. A big thank you needs to go out also to all of the department contacts who are helping out with this drive.

Nominate a fellow co-worker or yourself for the following awards: MU Service Champion Award (through the Staff Advisory Council), The Staff Appreciation Award, which will be available this year so keep an eye on the ASSN website to find out when you can apply. http://assn.missouri.edu/staff-awards.html

Patty Eggleston, Chair

Happy Thanksgiving from all your ASSN Board Members
If you missed the article in a recent Mizzou Weekly, Patty Eggleston has been going green for some time. Here is the article:

Patty Eggleston (MU sustainability champion and Senior Secretary, History Department).

Passionate about recycling at MU for nearly two decades, Eggleston has encouraged faculty, staff and students to "get on board" in her department. She makes sure a recycling tub is provided at each desk and in all break rooms, and she has implemented a "save a box" program in the building. Thanks to Patty, recycling is second nature to Read Hall.

Congratulations to Patty and to the History Department for all their efforts.

April is a new employee in the Sociology Department. The ASSN Board members wish you the best in your new position and look forward to meeting you in the future.

Absolutely Useless Trivia Questions!

1. A spooked turkey can run...
   A. 50 miles an hour   B. 5 miles an hour   C. 20 miles an hour   D. 60 miles an hour
2. According to popular legend, where did the male “tom” turkey get its name?
   A. The popular Tom and Jerry Show.
   B. Benjamin Franklin named it after Thomas Jefferson when he would not allow it to be the national bird.
   C. A tom cat. Wild turkeys were just like wild cats back then. They roam around and get into fights all the time.
3. What Indian tribe was invited to spend thanksgiving with the pilgrims?
   A. Sioux   B. Wampanoag   C. Red Sox   D. Comanche
4. How many degrees can a turkey see with its eyes?
   A. 360 degrees   B. 100 degrees   C. 270 degrees   D. 90 degrees
5. Who was the first president to pardon a turkey from thanksgiving dinner?
   A. Truman   B. Jefferson   C. Clinton   D. Lincoln
6. Do turkeys have heart attacks?
   A. Yes   B. No
7. How high must a cranberry bounce before it is harvested?
   A. 12 inches   B. 8 inches   C. 36 inches   D. 4 inches
8. The original thanksgiving lasted how long?
   A. 2 months   B. 14 days   C. 7 days   D. 3 days
9. Plymouth Rock is how big today?
   A. The size of Manhattan
   B. The size of a car engine
   C. The size of Carnegie Hall
   D. The size of a peanut
   E. The size of a New York block