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## McClain to Deliver Commencement Address



Summer commencement exercises will be held Aug. 10 in Stokes Stadium. Coinciding with commencement activities will be the rededication of the Administration/Humanities Building as McClain Hall, in honor of former University President Charles J. McClain.

The rededication ceremony will take place at 3 p.m. on the Mall directly in front of the Administration/Humanities Building. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be moved inside the building.

McClain, now commissioner of higher education for the state of Missouri, will deliver the commencement address. More than 250 graduates, their families, friends, members of Northeast's Board of Governors and faculty will attend the ceremonies at 7:30 p.m.

For more than 40 years Charles J. McClain has been involved in education as a teacher and administrator. As chief administrative officer of the coordinating Board for Higher Education, McClain assists the nine-member board in establishing and maintaining program and funding policies for the state's institutions of higher education and in supervising all institutions of higher education in Missouri.

Prior to his appointment as commissioner in 1989, McClain served as president of Northeast from 1970-89.

In 1973, McClain took the preliminary steps toward implementing today's internationally recognized Value-Added Model of Student Assessment. The comprehensive outcomes assessment program gained national attention when, in 1983, Northeast received the highest honor of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, the G. Theodore Mitau Award for Innovation and Change in Higher Education.

Before his presidency at Northeast, McClain was named the first president of Jefferson College in Hillsboro, Mo., in 1963. The college received its full accreditation within four years. Previously, he served as assistant dean of the University of Missouri's College of Education and as an assistant professor of education for two years.

He also served as superintendent of the R-VII School District in Festus, Mo., director of field relations at Southwest Missouri State University and principal of Jefferson County R-II Elementary School in Missouri.

In 1989, he was recognized by the University of Missouri-Columbia with its Alumni Award. In the same year, the American Association for Higher Education's Assessment Forum honored McClain for his service to students and efforts to improve educational quality through significant, long-term work in assessment.

He received the Public Administrator of the Year Award in 1986 from the Missouri Institute of Public Administration. In 1977, he received the Outstanding Alumnus Award from Southwest Missouri State University and the Citation of Merit for Distinguished Service Award from the College of Education at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

McClain holds a bachelor's degree from Southwest Missouri State University. He was awarded a Gregory Fellowship for graduate study and earned master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He holds an honorary Doctor of Literature degree from the Busan National University, Korea, in addition to several other honorary degrees.

McClain has two daughters, Anita Kinkeade and Melanie Brown.

This is the last summer issue of *Northeast Today*. The first issue for the fall semester will be a special freshman issue, Aug. 20. Deadline for entries for the freshman issue is 5 p.m., Aug. 10. Entries should be submitted on *Northeast Today* forms available in the Public Relations Office, A/H 202.

# Calendar

## 9 THURSDAY

- **End of second five-week program**
- 7 p.m.—**Japanese Talent Show**, SUB Activities Room

## 10 FRIDAY

- 10 a.m.—**Board of Governors meeting**
- 3 p.m.—**McClain Hall rededication**, on the Mall
- 7:30 p.m.—**Commencement**, Stokes Stadium
- 10 p.m.—**Residence hall closes**

## 19 SUNDAY

- **Freshman Week**, through Aug. 25
- 10 a.m.-6 p.m.—**Residence halls/colleges/apartments open** for freshman students
- 4:30 p.m.—**President's Welcome** to freshman students, Baldwin Auditorium
- 5-6:30 p.m.—**Freshman picnic**, Red Barn Park. In case of inclement weather, the picnic will be held in Pershing Arena.

## 21 TUESDAY

- 4-6 p.m.—**Fall Welcome Reception** for faculty and staff, on the Mall

## 25 SATURDAY

- 10 a.m.-5 p.m.—**Residence halls/colleges/apartments open** for upperclass students; also Aug. 26.

## 27 MONDAY

- 7:30 a.m.—**Classes begin**

## NOTES

- **The parking lot** between the Student Union and McClain Hall will be reserved Friday, Aug. 10, until after 3 p.m. for the rededication ceremony.
- **The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)** is offering special challenge grants to endow faculty chairs for distinguished teaching in the humanities. This new NEH competition is for faculty who teach undergraduates, particularly in general education and introductory humanities courses. The awards range from \$100,000 to \$300,000. Application deadline for the next round of awards is Dec. 1. For

more details, contact NEH, Room 429-MR, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506. Telephone: 202/786-0361.

- **A student employment board** located in Career Planning, McKinney Center, provides a current, comprehensive list of job openings on campus and within the Kirksville area, including internship and summer job opportunities.
- **Two positions**, one male and one female, are available for residential advisers during the 1990-91 academic year. Applications and additional information are available in the Residential Living Office, A/H 204, or by calling the office at 785-4227.
- **The Student Activities Board** is selling tickets to both Worlds of Fun and Oceans of Fun in Kansas City, Mo. Tickets for Worlds of Fun cost \$12.95 and the tickets for Oceans of Fun are \$8.95. Tickets may be obtained from the Student Activities Office in the Student Union Building from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Additional information can be obtained by calling 785-4222.
- **Northeast's Women's Center** is open for the summer. It is located in Ryle Hall's main foyer and will be open Sunday through Thursday from 5 to 8 p.m. The Women's Center provides a library and information about women's issues.

STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF  
ARE CORDIALLY INVITED  
TO THE REDEDICATION OF THE  
ADMINISTRATION/HUMANITIES BUILDING

AS

MCCLAIN HALL

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10, 1990

3 P.M.

THE REDEDICATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE MALL  
WITH A RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING  
IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, THE  
CEREMONY WILL MOVE INSIDE MCCLAIN HALL  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
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