

## Lt. Gov. Roger Wilson to address graduates

More than 700 undergraduate and graduate students will receive their diplomas May 6. Missouri Lt. Gov. Roger Wilson will deliver the address at the commencement ceremony at 2 p.m. in Stokes Stadium. In case of inclement weather, the program will be held in Pershing Arena.

Wilson was elected Missouri's 44th lieutenant governor in 1992. A Missouri native, Wilson grew up in rural Boone County. He earned a bachelor's degree from Central Methodist College in Fayette and a master's degree in education from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Wilson's political career began with his election as Boone County collector in 1976, succeeding his late father Roger W. Wilson. In 1979, he was elected to the Missouri State Senate from the 19th District; he was re-elected in 1980, 1984 and 1988.

In the Missouri Senate, he chaired the Senate Appropriations and Education committees and served until his inauguration as lieutenant governor. He was widely recognized as a leader in education, an advocate for the elderly and disabled, and a supporter of small business.

In July and September of 1993, Gov. Mel Carnahan turned over the operations of state government to Wilson. While the governor was on important trade missions, Wilson signed new legislation affecting tourism, the elderly, education court reforms, the environment and services for the developmentally disabled. He played a key role in helping pass new state school reforms and directing flood emergency efforts.

Wilson sponsored the acclaimed Excellence in Education Act, the Gifted Education Bill, the Elderly Abuse



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Crime Bill, the Crime Victim's Right to Restitution Bill, the Durable Power of Attorney Law, and the Autism Services Project. Wilson strongly supported the Department of Economic Development's business innovation centers, small business incubators designed to assist in the development of technology-based companies. Wilson earned bipartisan praise for his skillful leadership of the Senate Appropriations Committee during state government's lean

## Hy-Vee Food & Drug Store pledges \$2,500 toward Gardner Track Project



Hy-Vee Food & Drug Store has pledged \$2,500 toward the construction of the Kenneth L. Gardner Track.

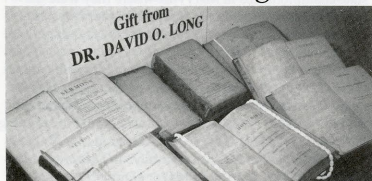
The eight-lane, all-

weather surface track has been named in honor of the late Gardner, former Northeast track coach and athletic director.

Construction of the track is scheduled to begin in spring 1996. In addition to serving the needs of intercollegiate athletics and numerous academic programs at Northeast, the new facility will provide a safe and attractive setting for recreation, walking, running and jogging for the entire University community and the citizens of Kirksville.

Pictured (l-r) are President Jack Magruder, Greg Dougherty, manager of Hy-Vee Food & Drug Store, Athletic Director Walter Ryle and Dale Schenewerk, chief advancement officer. ☺

## Dr. David O. Long collection arrives



Shown are just a few of the 6,000 books that Dr. David O. Long recently presented to the University. Long's collection, which includes sheepskin books, will be housed in the Special Collections Department of

Pickler Memorial Library. Originally from La Belle, Mo., Long attended four quarters at Northeast from 1939-42. He went on to earn his doctorate in English literature. He currently resides in Arkansas. ☺

# Northeast Notables

**James A. Harmon**, associate professor of humanities and allied arts, presented a paper titled "Brother Adrian Wewer, O.S.F.: Architect and Proponent of Medievalism in Monastic Architecture" at the 19th Annual Symposium of the Society for German-American Studies, University of Louisville, April 6-9.

**John Hart**, associate professor of communication, served as a judge for the national finals of the *We The People...* program. Hart represented the state of Missouri on the panel; the finals were held in Washington, D.C. Alternate judges were Missouri Lt. Gov. Roger Wilson and St. Louis attorney John Truman, great nephew of President Harry Truman.

**Lia Heckenlively**, senior biology major, received first place for her presentation titled "Two Anti-tumor Drugs Reduce Growth, Not Viability of PC12 Cells" at the Missouri Academy of Science on April 21. Cynthia Cooper, assistant professor of biology, is her faculty mentor.

**Paul Lawson**, visiting associate professor of justice systems, recently published an article titled "When States' Attorneys General Write Books on Native American Law: A Case Study of Spaeth's American Indian Law Deskbook" in an upcoming issue of *American Indian Quarterly*.

**Rebecca Payne McClanahan**, assistant professor of nursing, has been notified that her manuscript "Content Anal-

ysis of Alcohol and Drug Dependent Nurses' Perceptions of the Process of their Dependency and Recovery," written with Eleanor J. Sullivan of the University of Kansas, will be published in the next issue of the *Journal of Substance Abuse*.

**David McKamie**, associate professor of music, adjudicated the UMKC Concerto-Aria Competition which was held in White Recital Hall on April 19. On April 29, he judged the evaluative piano auditions for the Kansas City Music Teachers Association. On May 9, he will present a workshop for KCMTA in Grant Hall on the UMKC campus.

**Scott Olsen** and **Janice Grow**, professors of education, and **Patricia Howard**, MAE graduate student, attended the annual meetings of the American Educational Research Association and the National Council of Measurement and Evaluation in San Francisco, April 18-22. Grow and Howard presented their paper titled "Developmental Stages of Efficacy in Beginning Teachers Evidenced in Teaching Interns in a Fifth Year Program." Howard presented results of the preliminary study for this paper at the 1994 Undergraduate Research Seminar.

**Roy Tanner**, professor of Spanish, organized and presided at a conference session on 19th-century Spanish American literature for the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference on April 22. Tanner has also been invited to speak on the Peruvian author, Ricardo Palma, at the Catholic University in Lima, Peru, in May.

## Speech and Debate teams achieve top honors

Northeast's Speech and Debate teams fared well this spring winning awards at both national and state competitions. The Speech Team took fifth place overall in Division II (for small to medium size programs) at the National Forensic Association National Tournament in Ypsilanti, Mich. Tracy Christeson took home the top speaker award, placed fourth in the nation in rhetorical criticism, and was a quarter finalist in Impromptu Speaking and Prose Interpretation.

Christeson was top speaker at an event in Warrensburg where the Speech Team placed second as a team in individual events. Other individuals who excelled at that tournament were Melina Barona, Adam Swisher, Kelly Watson and Amy Woods.

The Debate Team finished in the top 20 at the Heart of America Tournament at the University of Kansas. Director of Forensics John Hart said the tournament "is



Michael Blotevogel (center) receives congratulations from Jack Hart, director of forensics, and President Jack Magruder.



Northeast placed fifth in Division II at the national competition. Pictured (l-r) are Kirsten Olesen, assistant director of forensics, Kelly Ann Watson, Adam Swisher, Amy Woods, President Jack Magruder and Tracy Christeson. Not pictured is Melina Barona.

commonly regarded as the most difficult and prestigious of the invitational tournaments." The team went on to the state championships in Maryville where they were the defending state champions. At the championships, the Debate Team placed first in varsity debate and in individual events.

Michael Blotevogel was selected to the Cross Examination Debate Association All-American Academic Debate team. The team consists of the top 20 college debaters in the nation based on debate awards and academic standing. He received the award at the Cross Examination Debate Association National Tournament in San Diego where he and partner Tara Tate qualified for elimination rounds.

## Tel-Alumni tops all expectations

Every year alumni expect to hear from a Northeast Tel-Alumni caller, but who would have guessed the response this year? The 1995 Tel-Alumni program, a major component of the University's Annual Fund and the 1995 Challenge for Excellence, reached record levels this year by raising \$290,836 in pledges compared to only \$120,078 last year. In fact, by the end of the fall calling period, student callers had already surpassed the campaign's initial \$200,000 goal and a new goal was set at \$250,000. Student callers demonstrated their determination by exceeding the new goal and encouraging more than 82 percent of alumni, parents, and friends of the University to increase their pledges over last year's gifts.

### How did they do it?

In the fall, students called alumni celebrating class reunions and those who had given a gift in a

previous year. In the spring, they called Northeast parents and alumni who had never provided a gift to the University. During the 10-week campaign, more than 17,243 contacts were made across the country. Their efforts resulted in the best Tel-Alumni campaign ever -- not to mention several hundred matching gifts from alumni employers.

Alumni and parents of Northeast have spoken by making a commitment to student learning and achievement through the NMSU Development Fund. In fact, everyone should take pride in the support and confidence displayed by alumni and parents of the University. In particular, the Tel-Alumni student callers deserve a great deal of credit for their determination and quality work. The Office of Alumni and Development, on behalf of the entire University, extends its thanks and appreciation to the fall and spring callers. ☺



Student callers enjoy a pizza party to celebrate the most successful Tel-Alumni campaign ever. A complete list of callers is listed below.

Jennifer Agans	* John Haley	Ray Mierisch
Sandra Aguillon	Kerri Hall	Patrick Morgan
Shirley Arteaga	Carrie Hamre	Chad Moore
Beth Aubrey	Sarah Haney	Jeff Novak
Sarah Baird	Aaron Hannah	Jenny Oden
LaTosha Bland	Darwin Harris	Rhea Pribla
Elesha Brennan	Joe Harszy	Robyn Schalda
Gina Brodess	* Bob Hedrick	Beth Schalk
Renee Byers	Tracie Hellmann	Christine Scheibel
Michelle Calhoun	Missy Hill	Amy Schlemper
Robin Clark	Jan Horn	Rachel Scott
Keith Clemons	Saad Hussain	* Jennifer Sharp
Mark Couillard	Stephanie Jelks	Demonn Smith
Matt Cradick	* Laurissa Jeroslow	Jaime Smith
Kerri Cruikshank	Sara Kirk	Jill Sterrett
Jennifer Curtner	Amanda Koster	Tim Stevener
Frances Davis	Andy Kramer	Kate Stoddard
Susan Dreier	Tracy LaRue	* Monique Sullivan
Angela Farlow	Michelle Lauf	Patricia Thompson
Tammy Foster	Katheryn Lenz	Greg Trachson
* Jill Gaffney	Amy Lessmann	Kimberly Urish-
* Christine Galloway	Jeremy Livingston	Runyon
Shayna Gocken	Sarah Lord	Jennifer Walker
Nicole Goss	Jenny Maples	Dana Yeary
Mark Hadley	Dean Maranan	* denotes student coordinators

## Northeast Faculty and Staff Meet Alumni Challenge

Garry Gordon, associate professor of art, and Kathy Crisp, accounts payable supervisor, served as co-chairs in the campus-wide volunteer effort of the 1994-95 Faculty and Staff Campaign. With the help of divisional and area representatives, Garry and Kathy stressed the importance of participation across campus in trying to reach an ambitious participation goal of 35 percent -- a seven percent increase over last year.

Northeast faculty and staff were quick to respond with 42 percent participating in this year's campaign -- a 14 percent increase over last year and a new record. Such outstanding results send a clear message: We care about our students and University. The Office of Alumni and Development would like to thank Garry and Kathy, as well as the follow-

ing divisional and area coordinators: Von Abbott, John Bartling, Bev Blodgett, Ken Carter, Melanee Crist, Mona Davis, Eleanor Ellebracht, Sandra Fleak, Elsie Gaber, Neil Gilchrist, David Gillette, Dan Heater, Traci Hill, Barb Holthaus, Bob Jones, Eva Jane Noe, Vonnie Nichols, Elizabeth Otten, Barry Poyner, Alanna Preussner, Tammy Roberts, Jim Shaddy, Pat Teter, Winston Vanderhoof, Ann Weidner, Melinda Wood, and Candy Young.

A complete list of members of the campus community who have participated in the 1994-95 Faculty and Staff Campaign by contributing to the NMSU Development Fund (as of April 25) is found on p. 4. Those wishing to be included in the 1995 *Honor Roll of Donors* can submit a gift by June 30. ☺



# Ranessa Cooper receives Goldwater Scholarship

When Ranessa Cooper came to Northeast two years ago from Salem, Ind., she wanted to become a high school teacher. Today, thanks in part to receiving the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship, she is determined to be a college professor.

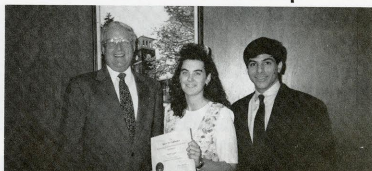
"Winning the Goldwater made me realize my long-term goals and that I can achieve more than a master's degree," Cooper said.

Cooper also credits her experiences with faculty as having an important influence on her desire to work with students.

"The education I have received [at Northeast], especially in science, has been so personal it has inspired me to learn more and work harder to go beyond the requirements," Cooper said.

The Goldwater Foundation is a federally endowed agency established in 1986. The Scholarship Program honoring Sen. Barry M. Goldwater was designed to foster and encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in the fields of mathematics, the natural sciences, and engineering. The Goldwater Scholarship is the premier undergraduate award of its type in these fields.

Cooper was selected on the basis of academic merit



Ranessa Cooper (center) holds her Goldwater Scholarship certificate as she meets with President Jack Magruder and Jeffrey Osborn, assistant professor of biology. Osborn has been Cooper's mentor for her undergraduate research on pollen morphology.

from a field of more than 1,300 mathematics, science, and engineering students. Her two-year scholarship will cover the cost of tuition, fees, books and room and board up to \$7,000 per year.

While the application process for the Goldwater was long and required a lot of extra work from Cooper, she said the things she learned and people she met as a result made it all worthwhile. She encourages other students to accept scholarship challenges. "You have nothing to lose and everything to gain," Cooper said. ☛

## Program develops academic and cultural exchange with Bulgaria

Ognjan Saparev, president of the University of Plovdiv, Bulgaria, and President Jack Magruder sign an agreement of cooperation between the universities promoting the development of academic interchange in the areas of education and research.



Standing are Patrick Lecaque, director of the Center for International Education Abroad, Lyubomir Futekov, vice president for international affairs at the University of Plovdiv, and Lanny Morley, vice president for academic affairs. ☛

## 1995-96 Student Senate Officers



**President**  
Scott Sifton  
junior political science  
major from Kansas City,  
Mo.



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Darin Henderson  
sophomore accounting  
major from Geneseo, Ill.



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freshman political science  
and English major from  
Lee's Summit, Mo.



**Treasurer**  
Eric Schmitt  
sophomore political sci-  
ence major from St. Louis



## Blodgett announces retirement

Bill Blodgett (center) is honored by Facilities Supervisor Tim Scherrer and President Jack Magruder. Blodgett recently announced his retirement from the Physical Plant after 21 years of service.

You are cordially invited to a  
retirement reception

in honor of

**Robert L. Stephens**

Director, University Career Center

May 3 ☛ University Career Center ☛ 3-5 p.m.

# This Week

## 1 Monday

7:30 a.m.--Final exams begin

3:30-5 p.m.--**Retirement reception for Edwin Carpenter**, head of the Division of Language and Literature, SUB Alumni Room

## 2 Tuesday

4:30 p.m.--**End-of-the-year B-B-Que**, Catholic Newman Center. Door prizes will be awarded. Cost is \$1.

## 3 Wednesday

### Reading Day

1 p.m.--**General Honors Program presentation**, Sunken Garden. Medals will be presented by the Phi Beta Kappa Association of Northeast Missouri.

3-5 p.m.--**Retirement reception for Robert Stephens**, director of the University Career Center, at the University Career Center

9 p.m.--**"Spiritual Discipline of Witness,"** Wesley House.

## 4 Thursday

1 p.m.--**Challenges for a New Era**, new Student Senate document press conference, SUB Tangerine Room

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## 5 Friday

4 p.m.--**University Club annual end-of-year BBQ** for faculty and staff, Clubhouse, 516 E. Patterson. Music at 4 p.m. and dinner around 5:30 p.m. Bring own table service and a covered dish (casserole, salad or dessert). A brief business meeting will follow for election of the 1995-96 director.

5:30 p.m.--**Final exams end**

7 p.m.--**Nursing Recognition Ceremony**, Baldwin Auditorium. A reception will follow in the SUB Activities Room.

## 6 Saturday

2 p.m.--**Commencement ceremony**, Stokes Stadium. In case of rain, Pershing Auditorium.

4-5 p.m.--**International Student Graduation Reception**, SUB Alumni Room

5 p.m.--**Baccalaureate Mass**, Catholic Newman Center. All are invited to attend.

6 p.m.--**Residence halls/colleges/apartments close**

# Northeast Notes

This is the last issue of *Northeast Today* for the spring semester. The next issue will be published May 30. The *Northeast Today* is published every two weeks during summer session.

The **American Diabetes Association** offers a special events assistant internship in St. Louis. Applicants must be a junior or senior majoring in marketing, public relations, communications or related field. For more information, contact Tim Bahr at (314) 968-3196.

"The Wall" graffiti board, sponsored by SAB, will be located on the Mall through finals week. Students may relieve the stress of finals by leaving their mark on the board.

The **Center for Service-Learning** has volunteer opportunities for those staying in Kirksville this summer. For more information, call 785-4265.

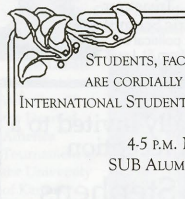
A **Bulldog Bark-B-Q** will be held in honor of **Sports Information Director Bill Cable's retirement** on May 13 at the Shrine Club. Festivities will begin at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10; a portion of the ticket revenues will be used to purchase a single memento of the occasion. To make reservations, call the Public Relations Office at 785-4016.

The **National Employee Health & Fitness Day** will be held on May 17 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Stokes Stadium. Faculty and staff can walk or jog, do step aerobics, or work out on fitness equipment. A light lunch will be available for \$1.

**One-year 1995 Mellon Fellowships** will be awarded. The Fellowships identify and encourage persons who are committed to teaching and have a broad vision of learning. The Fellowships are for the first year of graduate school only in fall 1996. The award will be \$13,500 plus tuition and mandated fees. For more information contact the University Career Center.

**Sports Information is seeking a communications intern** for 1995-96. Responsibilities include writing sports releases, keeping statistics and game management. Applicants should contact Melissa Ware at 785-4127.

The **Chicago NMSU Alumni Association** is hosting the **"University Speaker Series: An Evening with Dr. Magruder"** on May 12 at the Oak Lawn Hilton in Oak Lawn, Ill., from 6:30-9 p.m. The event is open to all alumni. Interested persons should RSVP at the Office of Alumni and Development, McClain Hall 106, 785-4133.



STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF  
ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GRADUATION RECEPTION

4-5 P.M. MAY 6  
SUB ALUMNI ROOM



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