

IF HANCOCK II PASSES: Northeast Missouri State University Could Face Cuts Of More Than \$9 Million

This is the first in a series of articles addressing the Hancock II issue. For more information on how you can volunteer to get the word out on Hancock II or how to register to vote in Adair County, contact Randy Hagerty, assistant professor of political science, at 785-4413.

If voters approve amendment 7, better known as the Hancock II amendment, on Nov. 8, the state of Missouri will be facing budget cuts of more than \$1 billion while Northeast Missouri State University will face cuts of more than \$9 million, nearly one-third of the University's state appropriation.

"This proposal is devastating to the state, northern Missouri, Kirksville and especially Northeast," said President Jack Magruder. "We would have to roll back services and would find it extremely difficult to maintain our current status."

"Voters need to understand what Hancock II does," Magruder said. "The proposal is 'deceptive' in that it is retroactive, and money already collected and designated for state appropriations would have to be refunded."

According to an independent report prepared by Jim Moody, former state budget director and commissioner of administration under former Gov. John Ashcroft, the passage of amendment 7 would trigger massive cuts for elementary and secondary education, highways, corrections, agriculture, mental health, social services, public safety and higher education, to name a few.

Hardest hit would be state agencies not protected by federal mandates or earmarked funding sources. Programs without constitutionally-protected funding could receive across-the-board cuts equal to 32.36 percent.

The Hancock II amendment is an extension of the original Hancock amendment which was added to the Missouri Constitution by voters in 1980. Hancock I uses a complicated formula to determine the limit on state revenues each year, or "spending lid," that the legislature cannot exceed. Any tax initiative which generates revenue above the lid must be approved by a public vote. The lid is based on total state revenue as a percentage of per capita income. Under the original amendment, the Missouri Supreme Court ruled that the revenues which were received from taxes approved by a vote of the people are not included in the calculations to determine the state's revenues, and thus not subject to the lid.

Hancock II revises the initial amendment in an attempt to place all tax increase measures, regardless of whether or they have been voted on previously by the public, into the revenue lid calculation. This means all funds generated from the Proposition C Sales Tax for Education (1982), the Parks, Soils and Waters Sales Tax (1984), the Lottery (1984), the Proposition A Gas Tax (1987) and Riverboat Gambling (1992) would be included as "total state revenue" in the new Hancock calculation. The new plan also requires that the legislature have voter approval before enacting any tax increase over \$20 million, even if that doesn't send total revenue over the spending limit. ☺

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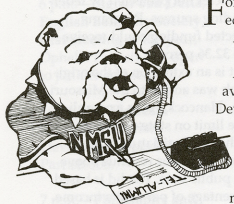
Deadline to register to vote is Oct. 12. For more information on how to register, contact the Public Relations Office at 785-4016, or the Student Senate Office at 785-4193.

Voter Registration Drive

A representative from the Adair County Clerk's Office will be on campus from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Sept. 20 through 23, SUB main floor to register voters for the upcoming Nov. 8 election.

Tel-Alumni Applications Available

Forty student callers are needed for this year's Tel-Alumni campaign. All students are welcome. Applications are available in the Alumni/Development Office in McClain Hall 106 and are due by Sept. 16. Callers will be paid minimum wage, be eligible for nightly prizes and receive extensive training. Students may trade workdays for worker flexibility.



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New Faces



Teresa Heckert, assistant professor of psychology, received her Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Lebanon Valley College in Annville, Pa. She holds a master's degree and a doctorate in industrial-organizational psychology and quantitative psychology from Bowling Green University. Heckert had been a teaching assistant for psychology classes at both Lebanon Valley College and Bowling Green University before coming to Northeast. In addition to her teaching experience, Heckert was a research assistant at Bowling Green University and had field experience in Toledo and Maumee, Ohio. Heckert has many awards to her honor ranging from dean's list to alumni scholar. Professionally, Heckert belongs to the American Psychological Association and the Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology. ☛



James Heimdal

James Heimdal, assistant professor of health and exercise science and director of the wellness program, graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in physical education from Tulane University. Heimdal went on to receive his master's degree in physical education from the University of New Orleans and his doctorate in exercise physiology from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Prior to coming to Northeast, Heimdal had extensive experience teaching and directing many health and physical education programs with children in grade levels ranging from kindergarten to senior high as well as running health programs at universities including the University of Southern Mississippi and Western Carolina University. In addition to his teaching and directing experience, Heimdal has had numerous publications printed and has given many presentations on the subject of health and physical education. ☛



Congressman Harold Volkmer visited campus Sept. 7 to speak about the 1995 Farm Bill, rural development, and other topics of interest to farmers, other agricultural professionals, and rural people. Volkmer's visit was sponsored by Northeast's Agricultural Science faculty and students.

Northeast Notables

Adam Davis, assistant professor of English, chaired the session on oral traditions at the International Congress on Medieval Studies this summer in Leeds, England.

John Ishiyama, assistant professor of political science, presented a paper with Marijke Breuning of the University of Arkansas, titled "Bringing People Together and Pulling Them Apart: Nationalism, Integration, and Disintegration in the 'New Europe'," at the American Political Science Association National Meeting in New York.

Laura Tamakoshi, assistant professor of anthropology, returned to Papua New Guinea this summer to work a PNG business woman. At the conclusion of her fieldwork, Tamakoshi gave a seminar on "Feminism and Identity Politics" at the National Research Institute in Port

Moresby. Tamakoshi's research was supported by grants from Northeast Missouri State University and the American Philosophical Society. While in PNG, Tamakoshi was affiliated with the University of Papua New Guinea and the Institute of Papua New Guinea Studies.

Thomas Trimborn, associate professor of music, had an article titled "Multicultural education-Do bands fit?" published in the *Missouri School Music Magazine*, summer, 1994. He also guest conducted the Alton, Ill. Community Band in two concerts featuring the non-march music of John Philip Sousa. His composition "Lincoln: Man of Steel and Velvet" for young band was premiered at the Grand Finale Concert of the week-long Great Lake Music Camp at Butler University (Indianapolis) where he served as conductor of the elementary band.

Northeast Notes

Alpha Phi social sorority, is sponsoring Just kick it! soccer tournament on Oct. 1 and 2. Organizations interested in participating in the tournament can contact Susan Dreier at 665-1603. Registration fee is \$35 per team with all proceeds going to benefit cardiac research. Deadline to enter the tournament is Sept. 21.

The Human Resource Office has nomination forms available for Employee of the Month. The office is located in McClain Hall 101. Nominations from students are welcomed and encouraged.

The Writing Center is now registering students for the Sophomore Writing Experience. Sophomores, juniors and seniors can sign up in the Writing Center for writing sessions or conference appointments. For further information, call the Writing Center, 785-4484, or Sue Pieper, director of writing assessment, 785-4086.

The Education Division will present information sessions for students interested in the Master in Education program and the teaching profession on: Sept. 12, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., VH 265 N for students interested in special education; Sept. 20, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., VH 265N for students interested in elementary education; Sept. 28, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., VH 265N for students interested in secondary education.

The Writing Center, McClain Hall 303, is open for walk-in consultations beginning at 9:30 a.m. For more information, contact Sue Crain at 785-4484.

The Student Health Center is accepting Lifestyle Advocacy Program Applications until Sept. 23. Applications can be picked up in the Student Health Center. Please sign up for an interview at that time. LAP is

an innovative HIV/AIDS peer education program offered through the Student Health Center.

The Center for Service-Learning is collaborating with the Adult Basic Education Program of Kirksville in hosting Laubach Literacy training sessions. Sessions will be held from 6 - 10 p.m. on Sept. 21, 28 and Oct. 5. Students must attend all three sessions to fulfill requirements. Enrollment is limited. Contact the CS-L at 785-4572 to sign up.

The NMSU Child Development Center is sponsoring a children's book fair during the week of Sept. 19. Interested members of the University community are invited to attend. The book fair will be open Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 - 9 a.m., 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. and 3:30 - 5:30 p.m., and Sept. 21 until 7:30 p.m. Proceeds from the fair will be used to add to the CDC children's book collection.

The Catholic Newman Center will hold an informational meeting for any students, faculty, or staff interested in learning more about the Catholic Church. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program is a method of helping adults explore their faith and the Catholic Church. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 12 at the Newman Center. If you would like more information contact Fr. Don Crosby at 665-4357.

Yom Kippur, the Jewish Day of Atonement, begins at sundown Sept. 14 and ends at sundown Sept. 15. There will be a discussion/service at 7-9 p.m. Sept. 14 in SUB 5 and on Sept. 15 from 8:30-10:30 a.m. and 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the SUB 5. For more information about this and the campus Hillel contact Yan Manilov at 785-4742.

This Week

12 Monday

8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.—Delta Sigma Pi, professional business fraternity, sign up for recruitment events outside Violette Hall 140, last week to sign up, call Vicki for details 627-6613.

4 p.m.—Lady Bulldog Soccer vs. Park College, Soccer Field

4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.—Delta Sigma Pi sign up SUB.

6 p.m.—Sigma Tau Delta, English honorary society, first meeting of the year, Ophelia Parrish 116; open to juniors and seniors.

6:30 p.m.—Ekklesia (Church of Christ) Devotional, Ophelia Parrish 300.

7 p.m.—Philosophy and Religion Club first meeting, Ophelia Parrish 118.

7:30 p.m.—RCIA meeting, Catholic Newman Center. See Notes.

13 Tuesday

8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.—Delta Sigma Pi sign up outside Violette Hall 140, last day to sign up.

11 a.m.-4 p.m.—Red Cross Blood Drive, SUB Activities Room, walk-ins welcome. Co-sponsored by Blue Key and Cardinal Key.

6:30 p.m.—Koinonia Corps sponsored by Wesley House. Koinonia Corps is a student-directed group which creates a unique workshop service and then shares it with area churches.

9 p.m.—Homecoming meeting, Ophelia Parrish 300. Organizations interested in sponsoring an event should send a representative.

14 Wednesday

4:30 p.m.—NEMO faculty/student soccer club's first meeting and soccer pick up games. Meet at the fields east of the tennis courts.

7 p.m.—Lady Bulldog Volleyball vs. Missouri Western State College, Pershing Arena

9 p.m.—NEMO News Channel 19.

15 Thursday

7:30 p.m.—The Harlem Spiritual Singers, a Lyceum Series presentation, Baldwin Auditorium. A reception co-sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Lyceum Series will be held immediately following the concert.

8:30 p.m.—Windfall, NMSU's literary maga-

zine, first meeting in Ophelia Parrish 300. All students are invited to attend, past copies of *Windfall* will be available to buy.

16 Friday

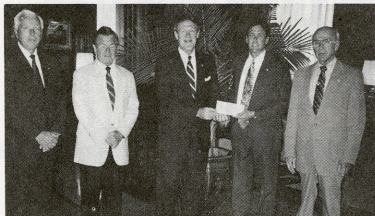
7 p.m. & 9:30 p.m.—Wolf, sponsored by University Players, Baldwin Auditorium. Cost is \$2.

17 Saturday

7 a.m.—Mega Garage Sale sponsored by O.S.C.A.R. and NEMO Greens, 1006 South Osteopathy. Fundraiser for Creative Conference on Non-Violence.

10 a.m.-3 p.m.—Women's Resource Center volunteer training session, Ryle hall conference room, call Matt 665-9303 or Anne 627-0440 for details.

Northeast Receives Grant From Missouri Athletic Club Foundation



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