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## Van Galen Named 1991 Missouri Professor of the Year



Assistant Professor of Chemistry Dean Van Galen has been named the 1991 Missouri Professor of the Year by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. Van Galen was recognized as one of "those who excel as

teachers and influence the lives and careers of their students."

In a statement released from CASE, Van Galen's contributions to the campus community and to his discipline were cited. In particular, he was praised for implementing high school seminars through which chemistry faculty "spread

the word" about science to 20 schools in two years.

Van Galen has been teaching at Northeast since 1987. He teaches several courses at the University including: Basic Chemistry, General Chemistry, Quantitative Analysis, Instrumental Analysis and Chemistry 100.

"Above all, I strive to convey the excitement that I have towards science and towards becoming an educated person," Van Galen said.

Van Galen's reputation as being both professor and friend to students was evident when he was named Educator of the Year at Northeast in 1989, the first time the award was presented.

"My greatest reward is when I can play a role in a student rediscovering the excitement of science and learning. . . ." Van Galen said. According to

Van Galen, in order to do this, "it is important for the instructor to create an enthusiastic, supportive environment for learning, both in and out of the classroom."

Van Galen is excited to receive the honor of being named the Missouri Professor of the Year. "There are so many good teachers here that I feel we should have more awards to honor them," Van Galen added.

Prior to teaching at Northeast, Van Galen served a post-doctoral fellowship *cont. pg. 2*

## Voter Registration Drive

A voter registration drive is being held on campus this fall. In order to vote on Nov. 5, one must be registered by Oct. 16. There will be tables from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Sept. 18 and 26 as well as Oct. 2, 10 and 16, in the SUB. There will also be a registration table 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m., Sept. 19, in the Missouri Hall cafeteria and

4:30-6:30 p.m., Sept. 25, in Ryle Hall. To register, one must be an American citizen at least 18 years of age and be able to present a form of identification. Registration is also available 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, at the County Clerk's Office in the County Courthouse.

## Center for Service-Learning

The Center for Service-Learning, located in Barnett Hall 120, helps place interested students in community service opportunities.

According to Robert Stephens, director of the Center for Service-Learning, the office is a "liaison between the needs of the community for service and the human resource pool at the University." Stephens said, "Our primary role is to facilitate individuals in finding placement."

Interested students can contact the Center and talk with one of their peer

counselors, students who are trained to help other students find appropriate volunteer work. The peer counselors discuss the student's interests and try to match them with what needs to be done in the community. The peer counselor then gives the student information on who to contact. It is up to the students to contact the agency which needs help.

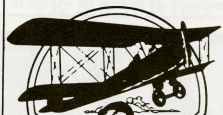
Stephens believes that between two and eight hours a week is the optimal amount of volunteer work. Any less than two hours and the student volun-

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## MISSOURI REPERTORY THEATRE

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## BILLY BISHOP GOES TO WAR

SEPT. 19, 1991 • 8 P.M.  
BALDWIN AUDITORIUM

Free tickets for students, faculty and staff will be available Sept. 16-19 in the Student Activities Board Office, SUB.

## Davis Named Swimming and Diving Coach



Tim Davis has been named the new men's and women's diving coach. He will also serve as assistant natatorium director. Chuck Arabas, who has been the University swimming and diving coach for

the past six years, will continue serving as the natatorium director.

For the past two years, Davis has been head coach of varsity men's and women's swimming and diving teams and instructor in the physical education department at Firestone High School in Akron, Ohio. In 1989, he was head men's and women's diving coach at Notre Dame University in South Bend, Ind.

"After conducting a national search for a coach, it was apparent that Tim Davis could bring the hands-on experience and one-on-one personality that could elevate our swimming and diving program to new heights," Alan Graham, athletic director, said.

Davis looks forward to an opportunity to work with an entire aquatic program.

"The NMSU swimming and diving teams have a strong returning nucleus this coming season," Davis said. "Their goals are winning the Midwest Meet and finishing in the top 10 at the NCAA Division II Championships."

Davis is a 1984 graduate of Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., where he was a member of the swim team. He competed for the swim team at Yorktown (Ind.) High School, where he was a seven-time state qualifier and was

also a member of the Muncie YMCA USS swim team, setting 21 team records and participating in the junior national championships.

## Anton Performs for Parents Day



Comedian Craig Anton will be topping off Parents Day activities on Sept. 28 at 8 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium.

Standing 6'5" Anton is described as being "a head above the rest." In his act, Anton

blends audience participation, original music parodies, comedy juggling, and impressions to create a performance with a sense of humor that appeals to all.

Anton is a veteran of more than 2,000 colleges and visits more than 200 colleges a year. He has opened up for comedians such as Jerry Seinfeld and Michael Winslow and has appeared on the MTV Half-hour Comedy Hour and Caroline's Comedy Hour on the Arts and Entertainment Channel.

Ticket prices are \$1 for everyone.

## Van Galen cont.

at the University of California-Berkeley. He holds a bachelor's in chemistry with a minor in mathematics from the University of Wisconsin-White Water. He earned his doctorate in analytical chemistry from Kansas State University.

Van Galen has received numerous honors and awards which include the American Institute of Chemists Outstanding Senior Award and the Paul E. Wenzas Scholarship in Chemistry as an undergraduate student. He was the re-

ipient of the Phi Lambda Upsilon Scholastic Achievement Award and the Phillips Petroleum Graduate Fellowship Honor while at Kansas State.

The Merck Company Foundation sponsors the Missouri Professor of the Year program and will present a \$1,000 check to Van Galen later this fall. CASE is an international education association of colleges, universities and independent elementary and secondary schools.



Six Northeast freshmen were named National Merit Scholars. The awards were based upon PSAT and SAT scores as well as a written essay. Pictured are: Amy Harbur, an undeclared major from St. Charles, Mo., David Newland, a political science major from Independence, Mo., Amanda Helm, a communication: media major from Brimfield, Ill., Bonny Vogt, an English major from Nancy City, Mo., Greg Gentry, a political science major from Olathe, Kan., Nancy Jones, a biology major from Fulton, Mo., and President Russell Warren.

## Service-Learning cont.

teer is not involved enough and more than eight hours a week cuts into study and personal time.

Service-learning, according to Stephens, is another aspect of a student's learning experience, an opportunity for the student to have experiences they cannot get in a classroom. As a student becomes involved in the community through volunteer work, they are able to relate the community's problems with what they have learned in class. Perhaps a situation in the community will remind the student of a similar situation they learned about in history class. The student will then be able to see how their classes relate to "real life."

The Center for Service-Learning keeps a record of the student's volunteer history. This record is available to the student should they need it for a graduate school or job application.

Interested students can contact the peer counselors at 785-4265 or stop by Barnett Hall 232. If no one is available, call 785-4572 or stop by Barnett Hall 120.

# Notes

**Wesley House** campus ministry will hold a Parents Day open house, 10 a.m.-noon, Sept. 28, at Wesley House.

**Applications** for a junior and a senior representative position are now available at the Student Senate Information Center and are due at the Info. Center no later than Sept. 20.

**Qualifying forms** for Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges are now available in the Dean of Students Office, McClain Hall 204. Students must meet the following qualifications: minimum cumulative 2.75 GPA, leadership qualities displayed through participation in academic and co-curricular activities, and enough hours of credit earned to allow the student to graduate by the end of the summer 1992 session. The deadline for submitting qualifying forms is Oct. 1, 1991.

**Students interested** in doing community service can contact the Center for Service Learning, Barnett Hall 120. The peer counselors can help you find a community service experience that fits your interests and abilities. For more information, call the Center for Service-Learning at 785-4265 or 785-4572.

**The Graduate Office**, McClain Hall 203, has graduate bulletins from various institutions across the nation available for students to browse through. Also available are graduate directories listing universities by degrees offered.

**Delta Sigma Pi** is sponsoring a coed sand volleyball tournament for United Cerebral Palsy on Oct. 5 at the Days Inn. Play begins at 8 a.m. Cost per team is \$25. First prize is \$50, second is \$25 and there will be consolation prizes available. To enter a team, call Jim at 627-2828. Entry deadline is Sept. 28.

**There will be a gallery exhibition** of artwork by Roy Cartwright, professor of fine arts, University of Cincinnati, sculpture; Beth Shadur, Chicago area artist, watercolor and colored pencil drawings; and Thomas Hancock, Chicago area artist, paintings, 9:30 a.m.-

4:20 p.m., through Oct. 3, in the University Art Gallery, first floor, Ophelia Parrish. The exhibition is open to the public. Admission is free.

**Beth Shadur**, Chicago area artist, will present a slide presentation of her work at 8 p.m., Oct. 3, in the SUB Alumni Room. A reception will immediately follow in the University Gallery, first floor, Ophelia Parrish.

**The Study Abroad Office** provides information on study abroad opportunities and assists students with study abroad decisions. Call (9) 785-2569 or come by Kirk Memorial 201 if studying abroad interests you.

**The Writing Center**, McClain Hall 303, is now open for walk-in tutoring from 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Mondays, 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays and 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Fridays.

**The Lutheran Student Fellowship and Church World Service** are sponsoring the Crop Walk, a walk to fight hunger locally and around the world. The Crop Walk begins at 8 a.m., Oct. 5, at the Faith Lutheran Church. For more information, contact the Lutheran Student House at 665-6488.

**First disbursements** of the Stafford Loan Program for freshmen will be available beginning Sept. 17 at the Cashier's Window, McClain Hall. Students must present a picture ID.

**National Merit Scholarship** checks are now in and can be picked up 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, at the Cashier's Window, McClain Hall. Scholarship recipients must be enrolled full-time and present a picture ID to sign for the check.

**All campus academic advisers** are invited to attend "Improving Advising at NMSU," a conference funded in part by a three-year grant from the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE), will be held 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 20-21, in the SUB. Featured speakers will be Dr. Fayc Vowell, associate vice-president for academic affairs at Emporia State University, and

Dr. Virginia Gordon, University College, Ohio State University. Both are members of the National Academic Advising Association. Northeast faculty, staff and students will also make presentations during the conference. There is no charge, but participants must register and make meal reservations as lunch will be served both days. Registration forms are available at all academic division offices and through the FIPSE Advising Project Office, McClain Hall 201, 785-4695.

**The Help Desk**, located in Baldwin Hall 100, is open to help students who are having difficulty getting problems solved. The primary purpose of the Help Desk is to cut through the "red tape" that stands between students and the resolution of their problems. The desk is staffed by volunteer NMSU faculty and staff and its hours are: 9-11 a.m. Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m. Wednesdays and 3-5 p.m. Thursdays.

## Parents Day Schedule *Sept. 28*

- ▶ 9-10 a.m.—**Coffee and information hour**, Student Union Building.
- ▶ 10-11 a.m.—**General assembly**, Baldwin Auditorium
- ▶ 11 a.m.-1 p.m.—**Tail-gate lunch**, Red Barn Park
- ▶ 1:30 p.m.—**Bulldog football** vs. Emporia State University, Stokes Stadium
- ▶ 8 p.m.—**Craig Anton**, comedian, Baldwin Auditorium. Cost is \$1 per person.

# This Week

## 16 MONDAY

- ▶ 5:30 p.m.—**Get Acquainted Picnic**, sponsored by the Elementary Education Club, Red Barn Park. Rain location is Violette Hall 119. Anyone interested in elementary education is welcome.
- ▶ 6 p.m.—**Lambda Pi Eta** honorary speech organization meeting, Ophelia Parrish 215. Meetings are open to everyone interested.
- ▶ 7 p.m.—**"Wills and Trusts,"** a talk by Penny Schoene from the accounting firm of Williams and Keepers of Jefferson City, Mo., SUB Activities Room, sponsored by Delta Sigma Pi. Everyone is welcome.
- ▶ 7:30 p.m.—**"A Few of My Favorite Things,"** Gamma Phi Sigma local sorority open rush party, SUB Conference Room.

## 17 TUESDAY

- ▶ 5-6 p.m.—**"Use of Videodiscs in Medical Training,"** presentation by Brian McGuire, associate professor of chemistry, Science Hall 274. The talk is open to all interested parties.
- "Summer's Last Rays,"** Gamma Phi Sigma local sorority open rush party. Meet at Ryle Hall lounge to carpool to the lake.
- ▶ 5:30 p.m.—**Student Missouri State Teacher's Association** meeting, Violette Hall 103. The meeting is open to everyone interested in education.
- ▶ 7 p.m.—**Midwest Model United Nations** informational meeting, McClain Hall 205
- NMSU Chess Club** open meeting, Violette Hall 254
- Society for Creative Anachronism** informational meeting, Violette Hall 140

## 18 WEDNESDAY

- ▶ 11 a.m.-2 p.m.—**Voter registration**, SUB. Students must be and American citizen, 18 years old and

have a form of identification in order to register.

- ▶ 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.—**Yogurt Social**, sponsored by the Psychology Advising Center, McClain Hall 210. All freshman psychology majors, psychology faculty members and psychology advising staff are invited. There is no charge.
- ▶ 8 p.m.—**Fantasy Club** first open meeting, Violette Hall 170.

## 19 THURSDAY

- ▶ **Sign up deadline** for intramural golf, Pershing Building 309. Play begins on Sept. 23 and 24 at the La Plata Golf Course.
- ▶ **Sign-up deadline** for intramural tug-of-war, Pershing Building 309. Tug-of-war starts Sept. 26 behind Stokes Stadium.
- ▶ **Sign-up deadline** for intramural soccer in Pershing Building 309. Play starts Sept. 23 in the field next to Campbell Apartments tennis courts.
- ▶ Noon—**"An Actor Prepares,"** a Missouri Repertory Theatre workshop, Baldwin Hall 177, Acting Studio
- ▶ 3:30 p.m.—**"Meet the Cast-A Panel Discussion with Cast and Crew,"** a Missouri Repertory Theatre workshop, Baldwin Hall 178, Little Theatre
- ▶ 4:30-6:20 p.m.—**Voter registration**, Missouri Hall cafeteria. Students must be at least 18 years old and have a form of identification in order to register.
- ▶ 7-8 p.m.—**Young Democrats** organizational meeting, SUB 6. Everyone is welcome.
- ▶ 8 p.m.—**Missouri Repertory Theatre's "Billy Bishop Goes to War,"** presented by the Lyceum Series, Baldwin Auditorium

## 20 FRIDAY

- ▶ 8 a.m.—**General Education Development test (GED)**, McClain Hall 103

- ▶ 9 a.m.-4 p.m.—**FIPSE Advising Conference**, SUB. See Notes.
- ▶ 7 and 9:30 p.m.—**"New Jack City,"** SAB movie, Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is \$2 or free with an SAB sticker.
- ▶ 7:30 p.m.—**Poetry reading by Jim Thomas**, professor of English, featuring selections from his book *Seed Time*, *Harvest Time*, at Used Books and Unicorns, 116 E. Harrison Street. Admission is free, and there will be specially priced copies of his book available.
- ▶ 9:36 p.m.—**Dance**, sponsored by the Economics Club featuring DJs Trevor and Gary and their "Wild West" music selection, Kirk Gym. Admission is 50 cents, but if you wear a plaid or polyester jumper, admission is half-price.

## 21 SATURDAY

- ▶ 9 a.m.-4 p.m.—**FIPSE Advising Conference**, SUB. See Notes.

## 23 MONDAY

- ▶ 7 p.m.—**Alpha Phi Sigma**, international academic honor fraternity, informational meeting, Science Hall 124. Open to all students with 30 credit hours and a 3.25 GPA; also, Sept. 24.
- ▶ 7:30 p.m.—**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**, a process of helping adults explore their faith and the Catholic Church, Catholic Newman Center, 709 S. Davis.
- ▶ 8 p.m.—**Solo piano recital** by William Blaine, Alvin. Owsley Artist-in-Residence, Baldwin Auditorium, featuring music by Mozart, Schubert, Faure and Debussy. Admission is free.
- ▶ 8-10 p.m.—**NMSU Live Try-Outs**, SUB Activities Room. A piano will be available. Also Sept. 26, 9-10:30 p.m.