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All Aboard

College Park Metro Station Opens to Public Dec. 11

College Park commuters soon will ride the rails of the long-awaited Metro. On Saturday, Dec. 11, a noon ceremony officially marks the grand opening of the College Park/University of Maryland station, one of five stations that distinguish the 8-mile Green Line extension from Fort Totten, in the District, to Greenbelt. Other stops in between include West Hyattsville and Prince George's Plaza. On hand to share in the Dec. 11 festivities will be President William E. Kirwan and the UMCP marching band and cheerleaders.

"This will be a tremendous asset for our campus," says Kirwan. "It offers our students, faculty and staff a new commuting option and it makes our campus more accessible to visitors as well as to the Greater Washington region." Kirwan also notes that the Metro helps tie the campus into the Washington community. "Some people still think the university is up near Baltimore. Now they'll see us on the Metro map."

Metro fans interested in taking a test run may do so on Dec. 11. Free rides will be available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. that day, from Greenbelt to anywhere in the system—provided you don't get off the train. "If you get out at a station, to sightsee for example, you do have to pay regular fare to get back on," says Gerald Gough, government relations officer for Metro. "But if you're just interested in riding the system, it's free."

According to Gough, some 13,000 new commuters will be served by the opening of the five lines. And at College Park alone, 1,300 commuters are expected to board the Metro each day.



It's official. The campus is on the Metro map with the opening of the new College Park/University of Maryland station.

When, Where and How Much?

College Park/UM station commuters will have access to 500 parking spaces, at a cost of \$1.75 per day, and trains that arrive every six minutes during peak periods (5:30 to 9:30 a.m. and 3 to 7 p.m.). At all other times, trains are scheduled every 12 minutes. Metro hours of operation are 5:30 a.m. to midnight. Metered parking is available between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. for 25 cents per hour.

All parking and bus service will be on the east side of the Metro station, closest to Kenilworth Avenue, although a small Kiss and Ride lot with short-term parking spaces is located on the west side of the tracks. Station entrances are located on both the east and west sides of the tracks and two passageways under the station facilitate pedestrian crossing from east to west.

Gough says the new Paint Branch Parkway, to be built north of Calvert Road, will provide a thoroughway that will travel underneath the rail lines to Kenilworth Avenue. Construction on that parkway is not expected to be complete until late next year.

The new \$873 million Green Line extension joins the Red Line at Fort Totten station. From Fort Totten, riders must travel to Metro Center to access other lines. To get an idea of fare costs, says Gough, peak fare from College Park to Metro Center is \$2.10. That amount drops to \$1.50 during off-peak hours.

Gough also notes that the Green

Line will interface with MARC commuter rail service at both the Greenbelt and College Park stops. "Orioles fans can take the Metro to either station and board the MARC train to Camden Yards," he says.

Shuttle Off to Campus

Faculty, staff and students who opt to commute to College Park on the Metro can get a lift to campus via the UM Shuttle. The free, express shuttle is open to the general public and does not require passengers to show their IDs. According to David Lennon, UM Shuttle Coordinator, passengers will board the shuttle on the east side of the station and ride it directly to campus stops including the Mathematics Building on Campus Drive, the Stamp Student Union, and possibly the Center for Adult Education. Lennon says riders should anticipate a 20 to 25-minute ride to campus from the station.

Every 20 minutes, between the hours of 6:45 a.m. and 7:15 p.m., says Lennon, a shuttle bus will depart from the College Park/UM station. Once the system is in place and demand for ridership is determined, says Lennon, a printed schedule will be available. For more information about the shuttle, its times and its routes, call 314-2255 or stop by the office of commuter affairs, or the information desk in the Student Union.

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Carjacking Prevention and Control Guidelines to Be Developed by Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology

Within a year, law enforcement officials and citizens will be armed with proven prevention and intervention strategies to combat carjacking—the newest crime phenomenon to hit the country.

"At this point, police are unsure how they can prevent carjacking, and unsure what motorists can do to protect themselves," says Charles Wellford, chair of the Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology, which is rated the highest-quality research program in the nation by the *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*. Wellford is the chief investigator of the one-year, \$150,000 study, which is funded by the National Institute

of Justice.

According to Wellford, the lack of information about the effectiveness of approaches to address this new crime has left law enforcement officials confused and struggling with conflicting solutions. "For instance, some law enforcement agencies recommend engine cut-off devices to prevent carjacking, while others discourage it," he notes.

"Clearly, law enforcement needs assistance to address this problem and to draw upon the range of experiences and efforts being undertaken nationwide to respond to this new threat to public safety," says Wellford.

A phone survey of the 100 largest

police departments is underway, to be followed by a two-day conference of law enforcement representatives who are trying to deal with carjacking. Data will be collected and analyzed on patterns of carjacking, profiles of known offenders, and effectiveness of various interventions tried by the police and citizens.

The result will be definitive information on the extent and nature of carjacking and a model program detailing effective prevention, intervention, and control strategies that can be used by law enforcement officials as well as citizens.

UMCP Students Net Big Gains in Stock Market Competition

The University of Maryland at College Park is ranked eighth among more than 900 colleges and universities nationwide playing the stock market in the AT&T Collegiate Investment Challenge.

The AT&T challenge is a national financial stock trading competition designed to give students the opportunity to make real Wall Street investments on the AMEX, NYSE and NASDAQ stock exchanges.

Students begin with a fictitious \$500,000 in buying power, an instructional kit, including a glossary of stock market terms, procedures and strategies. To compete, they make buy and sell transactions on an AT&T toll-free line which gives them real-time market information. Students are ranked each week according to

their account values.

Keith Jones, a junior at UMCP who hopes to major in business, is ranked tenth for week five among the 9,350 college students participating nationwide. Jones shares his secrets of successful investing.

"I like picking stocks that are five dollars or under," he says. "I research them through my broker and I read four newspapers each day. I look for stocks that have a relatively high trading volume, and sometimes I pick stocks that were once high priced but are now low. When they are ready to rebound, I buy them."

According to Jones, there is no great mystery to making money on the stock market. "What this shows is that there is money to be made," he says. "You don't have to be an expert.

You just have to do your homework."

UMCP senior finance major Alexander Tekie was ranked ninth during week three. His goals are to end the competition among the top five and to use his experience in the stock market to enter the job market. "It will definitely help me in securing a job once I graduate," he says.

The top 20 students overall win cash and the grand prize winner will receive a 1994 Pontiac Firebird and \$1,200 in long distance certificates.

The competition began Oct. 11 and runs through Dec. 10. The Challenge is in its sixth year and will be sponsoring another competition in the spring semester.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I was greatly angered by the misrepresentation of the "Maryland Association of Midshipmen" in *Outlook's* cover article about the restoration of Testudo (Oct. 25). I am the president of this group and we represent about 15 midshipmen who attend UMCP and are enrolled in the U.S. NROTC Unit at George Washington University.

This project of restoring Testudo was begun about five years ago by one of our members, Dave Oates. When the class of '33 heard of our plans, we agreed to split the cost of the restoration. We raised \$3,000 for this project over the next four years.

Our fundraisers included a 5K race around the campus golf course, cleaning up Byrd Stadium, working a concession stand for football, and many car washes.

As for the ceremony itself, your article mentions that "members of the class of '33 and President William Kirwan" were in attendance. The entire group of the Maryland Association of Midshipmen minus three members were present. We also provided a color detail to the ceremony. The commanding officer from our unit at George Washington University was also present.

Respectfully,
Tom Endrusick

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UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND AT COLLEGE PARK

COMMENTARY

Metro area universities make the grade

In a recent opinion column (Oct. 22-28, 1993), the Washington Business Journal stated that economic development in the region had been hampered by "a lack of entrepreneurial culture," "complacency" and "a lack of regional cohesion."

Guest
Opinion

WILLIAM E. KIRWAN

Moreover, the Journal asserted, "The Washington area lacks a first-rate computer sciences laboratory, and despite having a number of good universities in the area, none are in the top echelon of research and science."

While I make no claim to expertise in the measurement of complacency and cohesion, I can respond to what I regard as a faulty assessment of the quality of the Washington area's intellectual resources.

In its discussion, the Journal alluded to remarks made by a panel of local business editors and reporters during a recent Washington Board of Trade forum. On that occasion, at which I happened to be present, David Ignatius, assistant managing editor for financial news at the Washington Post, asserted that the economic development of the Baltimore-Washington region has been impeded by the "lack of a first-rate computer science program." He apparently based this view on an experience his wife had while enrolled in a computer science program at a university in the region.

A recent ranking of the nation's computer science programs tells a very different story. U.S. News & World Report just published a survey in which leaders from various fields were asked to identify the strongest programs nationally in their respective disciplines. The computer science department at the University of Maryland was ranked as the 12th best

program in the country, above those at, for example, Michigan, Yale, Columbia and Harvard. In fact, among all universities on the east coast, only the programs at MIT and Princeton were ranked above College Park. In the same survey, the university's physics department was ranked 13th best.

I hasten to add that this is hardly late-breaking news. In a study sponsored by the National Academy of Sciences more than a decade ago, College Park's computer science department was ranked 15th in the nation. A number of other programs at UMCP in the humanities, social sciences, and the professional schools were ranked among the best in the nation. Furthermore, College Park's computer science, physics and mathematics departments were ranked higher than the corresponding departments at all other universities, public or private, in the mid-Atlantic region.

More recently, three University of Maryland computer science faculty were named as National Science Foundation Young Investigators, perhaps the nation's most prestigious award given to young scientists. College Park's total was matched only by Carnegie Mellon University, the top-ranked computer science program in the nation.

I will leave it to others to decide which of these competing assessments of the quality of the area's computer science resources and scientific research prowess deserves to be given greater credence, but two more general points need to be made.

First, it is apparently still not understood by reporters in this region that the University of Maryland is, by a variety of measures, one of the nation's leading research universities and a powerful force for technological and economic development in the region. Last year, faculty at College Park were awarded more

than \$120 million in new research grants and contracts, one of the largest totals in the nation among institutions without an affiliated medical school. Maryland is also the only university in the Washington area to have been selected for membership in the prestigious American Association of Universities and to be ranked as a Carnegie Class I Research institution. These two affiliations, it is generally agreed, define the nation's top research universities.

In contrast to the assertions about the absence of an entrepreneurial spirit in the region, the university's research strength is having an impact on the region's economy. Nearly two dozen companies have "graduated" from the university's incubator facility, including Freewing, which won Discover magazine's national innovation of the year award in the field of aerospace. Further, the university's industrial outreach efforts through its Dingman Center for Entrepreneurship and its Maryland Industrial Partnership program, which draw heavily on the research expertise of faculty, are being emulated by universities around the country. And, College Park's technology Liaison office has documented close to 200 inventions and licensed almost 50 technologies since its inception in 1986.

Finally, in my view, it is a mistake to attempt to tie economic development in the region to the overall quality of area universities. These days there is hardly a university in the nation that would try to be equally excellent across all the fields of human inquiry, and the trend toward greater selectivity in resource allocation is almost certain to continue.

William E. Kirwan is president of the University of Maryland at College Park.

Senate Hearings Scheduled for New Policies Concerning Faculty Workload and Accountability

In response to a request from the College Park Senate Executive Committee, the Faculty Affairs Committee has produced draft proposals of two policies concerning faculty workload and accountability.

The first proposal, entitled "Draft Proposal on Teaching Expectations of Faculty," establishes standards for faculty responsibilities. In addition to research and service, the draft proposes a standard of teaching responsibility of five courses per academic year—a courseload that can be reduced, by criteria "customary in the faculty member's college, department, or unit," if the faculty member demonstrates substantial commitment to instructional development, advising, research or service beyond typical expectations. The draft also

proposes a minimum teaching load of one course per year for all tenured or tenure-track faculty.

The second proposal, entitled "Draft Proposal on Post-Tenure Review," establishes a formal performance review for tenured faculty in six-year intervals. The procedures include a factual report of the faculty member's accomplishments by two colleagues of equal or higher rank, and an evaluation by the faculty member's chair or dean (in non-departmentalized colleges). The faculty member may review all documents and append a response.

Robert Gaines, chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, will present a preliminary report to the full Senate on Monday, Dec. 6. The Faculty Affairs Committee will hold open hearings

on Thursday, Dec. 9, from noon to 2 p.m. and Monday, Dec. 13, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Maryland Room of Marie Mount Hall. All faculty received a letter from Hank Dobin, Senate Chair, about these proposals and the upcoming hearings.

"The draft proposals will promote the interests of College Park by demonstrating our commitment to faculty excellence and by exercising initiative and leadership on issues of current public concern," says Gaines. Dobin commended the efforts of the Faculty Affairs Committee to respond to intense public scrutiny of higher education and adds, "These policies are an attempt to describe what we do as faculty members and to develop a more formal way of accounting for what we do."

Proposals Invited for Exchange with National Chiao Tung University

The Taiwan Subcommittee invites proposals from UMCP faculty for an exchange program with National Chiao Tung University. The exchange agreement calls for an exchange of two professors, one post-doctoral student and two short-term visitors each year. Deadline for proposals is Dec. 30, 1993. Proposals should include: C.V. of the scholar proposed; a short description of the proposed research plan; source of matching funds; and evidence to indicate that the proposed exchange will be accepted and supported by the scholar's home institution. For more information, call Jackson C.S. Yang, x5-5306, or Jason Kuo, 405-1499.

Foundations Bring Controversial Developer of Ecological Economics to School of Public Affairs

Herman Daly says that current economic theory fails to consider whether the biosphere can sustain projected or even current levels of economic activity. Furthermore, argues Daly, one of the founders of ecological economics, much of current economic thinking leads to destructive consequences for the environment.

Impressed with the importance of having Herman Daly participate in the education of the next generation of environmental policy makers, a consortium of eight foundations contributed a total of \$500,000 over five years to finance his appointment at the School of Public Affairs as a senior research scholar. They are Bau-

man, Island, MacArthur, Mott, Noyes, Rockefeller Brothers, Rockefeller Financial Services and Schumann. Daly will be leaving his current position as a senior economist in the World Bank's Environment Department in January.

Perhaps best known as the author of *For the Common Good*, written with John B. Cobb Jr., Daly is a prolific researcher and writer with ten books and innumerable journal articles to his credit. He is an associate editor and co-founder of the journal published by the International Society for Ecological Economics.

Daly brings to the School of Public Affairs a strong international interest with a special focus on Latin Ameri-

ca. Within the school, Daly will work with the International Institute of Environmental Policy and Management, which is being developed.

The institute will educate students from the public, private and NGO sectors in Latin America, the newly-independent states of Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, Africa and Asia as they pursue a Master of Public Policy degree program specializing in environmental studies. In addition to the required academic background, admission to the program will be based on the potential for leadership in preserving the environment and promoting sustainable development.

Dingman Center and DEED Announce Joint Venture to Help Small Manufacturers and High Tech Businesses

A new Maryland Manufacturing and Technology Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at the University of Maryland at College Park will expand the capacity of the Maryland Small Business Development Center Network to help small manufacturers and technology firms with their management, marketing and financial needs.

Called Tech/SBDC, the joint venture between UMCP's Dingman Center for Entrepreneurship and the Maryland Department of Economic and Employment Development (DEED) was announced on Nov. 30 by Dingman Center Director Charles Heller at the School of Business and Management.

Tech/SBDC provides access for

Maryland companies to business and technical information, advice and resources, and assists SBDC centers in Maryland as they work with manufacturing and technology clients.

"Helping Maryland's manufacturing sector is a top priority of this administration, so I am very much in favor of this new center," says Governor William Donald Schaefer.

The Dingman Center has already assisted several hundred emerging growth companies and entrepreneurs in Maryland, says Heller. "Now, teamed with the state's SBDC network, we can expand the scope of these activities to reach more Maryland businesses."

William Mayer, dean of the School of Business and Management, says

marrying the university with the private sector is an advantage for UMCP's students. "They're exposed to the academic side while getting practical experience," he says. And the small businesses benefit as well. "Management skills are often the weak spot in the structure of science-oriented companies," says Mayer. "The affiliation of this new center with the School of Business and Management is an obvious advantage to SBDC clients in this category."

Audrey Theis, assistant secretary for business resources, notes that small businesses represent 98 percent of business in Maryland. And 60 percent of Maryland's employees work for small businesses.

President's Commission Helps Shape Educational Initiatives

The President's Commission on School/University Cooperation held its first meeting this fall at the College Park campus. The 27-member commission includes higher education representatives as well as school, business and government administrators. Its purpose is to serve as an advisory body to help UMCP lead in developing model school/university cooperative programs.

Commission members advise on current school/university programs and new ventures that might be undertaken. Through their organizational affiliations, members help link the university to activities that show promise for improving school/university cooperation in Maryland. The commission is working on two pro-

jects aimed at shaping educational initiatives in the 21st century: The Regina Complex and Equity 2000.

The Regina Complex, on the drawing board, is an initiative with lofty goals: to improve teaching and promote fundamental change in both schools and universities. It calls for the creation of a Professional Development Center designed to become a model for the country. The center will bring together partnerships involving the Prince George's County School System, UMCP, county government, and other corporations and businesses.

At the proposed Regina Complex site (currently home to three schools—Adelphi, Langley and Regina) children will have on-site access to full-time health services, coordinat-

ed community social services, mental health services for families and before and after school programs. In addition, the school complex will provide day care for three- and four-year-olds. Services for adults will include parenting skills workshops, nutrition education and adult education opportunities such as health and consumer education and literacy instruction.

Equity 2000 is a six-year national education reform project established by the College Board to enhance minority preparation for, and success in, college. The project (now in its second year) is located at six sites, including Prince George's County, spread across the country.

The Philadelphia Story

Decorated Vet of Newspaper War Shares Triumphs

When Gene Roberts lived in Philadelphia and took the train to work, he always got on in the back of the car and walked towards the front so that he could see what newspapers the morning commuters were reading.

As executive editor of the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and in the midst of a great newspaper war, it was important for him to know what newspaper people were reading. His job depended on it.

But Roberts won that war, retired three years ago and is now a journalism professor at the university. Today, he makes his home in Washington, D.C., and travels by taxi to College Park.

But old habits die hard and Roberts still finds himself keeping score. "Instead of seeing what people read, I check the street sale boxes and see who is sold out," he says.

Roberts, who was born in rural North Carolina and graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, has also written for the *Virginian-Pilot*, *Detroit Free Press*, and the *New York Times*. He was at the helm of the *Inquirer* for 18 years, during which time the paper was honored with 17 Pulitzer Prizes.

The National Press Club recently praised him with its 21st annual Fourth Estate Award, acknowledging lifetime achievement.

"The Fourth Estate Award comes at the end or near the end of your career," Roberts says. "And it is nice for me, personally. But since I'm no longer with a paper, it's not a building block."

The Pulitzers were building blocks for the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, Roberts says. When he arrived at the *Inquirer* in 1972 it was struggling and involved in a battle with Philadelphia's other newspaper, the *Bulletin* (which folded in 1982).

The first five or six awards were very important for turning around the self esteem of the newspaper. "It gave [the staff] a sense of worth that they could practice journalism as well as anybody in the country," Roberts says.



Building a newspaper that wins so many awards means being able to focus and stay single-minded on your goals, he says. "One day you wake up, three or four years down the road, and the whole paper is changing under your feet in ways that even [the staff] don't quite realize. The awards were important mainly because they gave people a sense of worth, that somebody out there thought they were good, and it kind of feeds on itself at that point."

In the early days of his tenure at the *Inquirer*, a reporter from *Philadelphia Magazine* wrote a piece on the war between the *Inquirer* and the *Bulletin*. The reporter said that the editor of the *Bulletin* looked like George Hamilton and the editor of the *Inquirer* looked like Congressman Frogg from the comic strip "Pogo."

Even though the *Bulletin* had a lead on the *Inquirer* at the time, the reporter said "the smart money is on the frog."



"The staff thought this was the funniest thing they had ever heard of," Roberts says. They took up a collection in the newsroom, rented a billboard that overlooked the *Bulletin* newsroom and had the staff artist draw a frog looking into the newsroom with the message: "the smart money is on the frog."

These days, Roberts says that he tries not to read the *Inquirer*. "I ration myself to two a week. I don't want to get so wrapped up in it that I'm tempted to call somebody, or get involved in any way with the editing."

Roberts believes that, in general, newspapers have started going downhill. Up until five years ago, he says, newspapers on the whole were getting better. "In a lot of small and middle-sized towns the papers are just not serving their towns well, their readers well, or anybody else well."

Roberts says some of the



In his College Park office, Eugene Roberts' amphibious collection reminds him of his early days with the *Philadelphia Inquirer* when a magazine writer compared him to Congressman Frogg of comic strip fame.

problem has to do with newspapers choosing to copy the *USA Today* format. "They are copying the weathermap, the TV listings and the shorts. But they haven't copied the sports, probably the most effective part of the whole format. I'm not asking that they go out and spend money, but I'm just asking that they basically do the job for their hometowns."

But there may be hope with journalism students today, says Roberts. Not much has changed since he was an undergraduate and today's students, if anything, are better. A major difference is the existence of graduate students, he says.

"They're older and have been around the track a little more," Roberts says. "They have a better grip on what they want to do and where they're going."

The main reason he came to teach at UMCP was Reese Cleghorn, the dean of the College of Journalism. "I've known him since my days covering civil rights in Atlanta in the '60s. He was one of the great newspaper writers in the country."

The college has been expanding, with projects like the Humphrey Fellowship, at a time when most journalism schools across the country are not, he says.

Roberts, who teaches a class on civil rights issues, has been using his experiences as a civil rights reporter for the *New York Times* in the '60s to write a book.

"What I hope is that it will be a broad sweep of the press and the civil rights story," he says.

But would he go back to a newspaper?

"I only went to Philadelphia because it was a competitive city and [the *Inquirer*] was in a desperate situation," he says.

There aren't any more cities where he could take the second paper and make it the first, he says. "If you invented me a city like that, I'd rush out and do it."

—Stephen Sobek

Two-day Priority E-mail Links Faculty to Library

The libraries are expanding reference service available by e-mail as a pilot service beginning in December through May 18, 1994. All those with UMCP Umail addresses may direct their queries to library@libr.umd.edu during this period and receive a response by Umail. Mail will be read daily on work days by a reference librarian, who will respond within two working days with either an answer or a referral to a more appropriate resource. Inquiries might concern specific information, where to get information, how best to utilize library collections and services, including electronic resources. For further information, contact Robert Merikangas at McKeldin Library, 405-9274, or send an e-mail inquiry.

Setting the Stage

Theatre Faculty Practice What They Preach in Area Productions

The intercom above David Kriebs' desk projects the cacophony from the stage, which at the moment includes carpentry bangs and thuds and tomfoolery. He seems to take no notice, except when a stage crew member bursts into his cramped office, tool-belt swinging, with yet another question. Kriebs gives him directions and the problem is solved.

Kriebs, a UMCP theatre professor, teaches courses in stagecraft, sound design and stage management. He's also the technical director, design engineer and production manager for the ten productions the theatre department is staging this semester.

Two doors down, Jim Kronzer describes his duties as the resident set designer. This fellow professor instructs students on drafting, scene painting and set design.

Dan Wagner, who teaches classes in lighting design and scenographics, in the meantime, serves as the lighting director. Resident costume

designer Helen Huang teaches classes in costume history as well.

And, as if they don't already have enough on their plates, each of these professors is involved with productions outside of the university.

Wagner is currently opening *Alice in Wonderland* at the Kennedy Center, and is working on *Christmas Revels* at the Lisner Auditorium and *Holiday Memories* at the Olney Theatre.

Kronzer opened a show in Buffalo this month, and is working on *Death and the Maiden* at Studio Theatre.

Huang, who is the resident designer for Studio Theatre and National Players, the oldest classical touring company in the United States housed here at College Park, counts *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead* and *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, which opened in Tawes Theatre in November, among her latest shows.

Kriebs, who has accustomed himself to 14-hour days, is also working on *Holiday Memories*. He is engineer-

ing *The Nutcracker* with the National Ballet of Maryland as well.

The productions, these faculty say, keep them current, bringing trends into the curriculum they teach. They participate in these shows to keep from becoming stagnant.

And, most importantly, it gives them the chance to involve their students in the world of professional theatre because they take their students to work with them on these projects.

"It gives them a chance to get their feet wet," says Kronzer, who worked with three University of Maryland students at the Olney Theatre last summer. "You learn how to swim by getting thrown into the deep end."

It also gives the students a chance to connect with professionals who are part of a tight-knit community in Washington. Huang points out that the experience the students gain helps them develop a good reputation long before they graduate.

Something to Talk About

Computerized Conversation Service Increases Campus Communication

Call it the talk of the town—or of the campus at least. It's UMTALK-L, the new electronic mail-based service designed to tap into student—and now faculty and staff—opinions and concerns. Its purpose is to increase dialogue about campus issues using contemporary computer technology.

Begun in September, the service currently has 150 subscribers who have discussed everything from the disappearance of the *Diamondback* to

concerns about health care coverage. And prior to Thanksgiving, faculty, staff and students debated whether or not the campus should be closed the Wednesday before the holiday.

"It's an open forum for people to converse," says Janet Schmidt, assistant to the vice president for student affairs. Schmidt chairs the Hearing the Students' Voices Committee which initiated UMTALK-L, one of several projects the student affairs

office began in response to President William E. Kirwan's Continuous Improvement initiative.

While the project was originally geared to students, Schmidt says, "faculty and staff have been running with this." At the end of the year, her office will analyze the program to determine its effectiveness.

But as Debra Stuart, acting director of institutional studies, says, "It seems to be working. There's enough activity that it perpetuates itself." Stuart, who serves on Schmidt's committee, says she keeps a watchful eye on the computer conversation. If a conversation is dying down, she says, committee members call Schmidt, who inserts a new question to get the discussion moving again.

Schmidt says her office has started topics, but subscribers often start them on their own. "People do answer one another," says Schmidt. "And we forward items as needed. If we think someone can answer a question or better address an issue we let [the appropriate person] know."

Anyone may read along with, or listen in on, the conversation, but to be an active participant, says Schmidt, one must subscribe. To join in the ongoing dialogue, call the SCS Consulting Lab at 405-1500.

College Park Metro Station Opens

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Metrobus schedules will be affected. According to Emmett Crockett, of the Metrobus office, the College Park/University of Maryland station will be served by buses F6 and R12. On the F6 bus, service will be rerouted to operate between Prince George's Plaza and New Carrollton stations via College Park/UM station. Extended Rt. C2 service will directly link the University of Maryland at College Park campus and Greenbelt Center (currently served by Rt. F6).

On the R12 bus, service will be rerouted between the Deanwood and New Carrollton stations to operate via College Park/UM and Greenbelt stations. The part of the route between Deanwood and Addison Road stations will be replaced by the rerouted Rt. V14.

New fliers are being issued aboard Metrobuses, but to request specific route information, or to obtain a flier, Crockett advises commuters to call Metro Information at 202-637-7000. Help is available seven days a week from 6 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Poster Competition Deadline Extended

The President's Commission on Women's Affairs poster competition to commemorate its 20th anniversary now has an extended deadline for entries of Jan. 5, 1994. Faculty, staff and students may submit entries based on the anniversary theme, "Remembering the Past, Celebrating the Present, Shaping the Future," to the Art Center, Stamp Student Union. First and second place prizes, to be awarded the second week in January, are a \$150 and \$75, respectively, University Book Center gift certificate. The winning selection will become a printed reproduction that celebrates the 20th Anniversary. For more information, call Donna McMahon, 405-3979.

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Female Faculty Bring Fresh Views to Landscape Architecture

For as long as there's been a Department of Horticulture and a program of landscape architecture, there has never been a woman on the full-time faculty. But that all changed last spring with the back-to-back hirings of Assistant Professors Margarita Hill and Mina Hilsenrath. With them, they brought a fresh perspective on the landscape architecture field.

"They've brought a tremendous amount of energy aboard," says Bob Scarfo, associate professor and program coordinator. "As professionals, they see the world differently. And as women, they see the world differently." Of the latter, he explains: "They fill in things that I'd like to think that we've dealt with all along, but perhaps only cursorily." And, he adds, "Students are turning to them in droves."

What Hill and Hilsenrath offer potential professionals, says Scarfo, are "two different role models."

Hill hails from "the research world." Armed with an abundance of international contacts, the Cuban-born Hill often favors taking a cross-cultural approach to her case studies. At the moment she's scouting various sites in and around the U Street corridor, in downtown Washington, D.C., and Ballston, in Northern Virginia—sites that have undergone tremendous growth in recent years—for a potential case study in the spring. Essentially, she'll be looking to see if these rapidly developing new communities are ultimately "sustainable,"



Margarita Hill and Mina Hilsenrath joined landscape architecture's faculty last spring.

that is, if they will be able to continue to grow without sacrificing their own resources.

Hilsenrath, who has taught at Morgan State University, brings with her a wealth of experience from public and private practice. She worked most recently for the land development and research division of the Department of Planning and Zoning in Howard County, where, among other things, she helped develop a new stream protection program.

Owing to increasing public awareness of environmental issues and vast changes in state regulation, Hilsenrath says that landscape architects in recent years are as much in demand

as they've ever been. Certainly, student enrollment is up. Hilsenrath, for her part, says she's excited to be playing a part in shaping the program.

"It's being recognized as being valuable," she says.

—Todd Kliman



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Zoologist Eugenie Clark Lends Shark Expertise to IMAX Film

UMCP's own "Shark Lady," Eugenie Clark, leads viewers on an oceanic expedition in "Search for the Great Sharks," the new IMAX film at the Maryland Science Center. Clark, professor of zoology and worldwide expert on sharks, provides the focus of the film, along with Rodney Fox, another shark expert.

"Search for the Great Sharks" takes viewers from the coastal waters of California to the coral reefs of Australia in an excursion into the worlds of the Blue Shark, the Whale Shark and the Great White Shark.

In a scene filmed at the New York Aquarium, Clark relates how she first saw sharks swimming in the very same place when she was nine. "I wanted to be in there with them," she says. She never imagined them to be dangerous.

Dramatic sequences include a swim alongside the rarely seen Whale Shark, the largest of more than

350 species of shark; the birth of a shark; the once-a-year blossoming of a coral reef; and a gripping scene which follows Fox below the surface in a clear plastic diving tube—leaving him apparently vulnerable to surrounding sharks.

Along with the filmmakers, Clark and Fox hope to convey to viewers that sharks are more intelligent, more docile and more fascinating than imagined. In the film, Clark notes that sharks have survived for more than 350 million years "and have very few enemies—until we entered their realm." Viewers will discover the enormous threat to the existence of these ancient creatures—humans are well on their way to wiping out most of the known shark species.

"Search for the Great Sharks" will be on view at the Maryland Science Center through May 26, 1994. For 24-hour information, call (410) 685-5225.

Diversity on Film

As part of the Diversity Year initiative, Hornbake Library's nonprint media services department is presenting a series of videos, from the library's collection, on subjects ranging from noted author Toni Morrison to the AIDS Memorial Quilt. The videos are available to faculty, staff and students and can be viewed on the library's fourth floor at the times noted below.

A new series of videos will be presented beginning in late January. Look for listings in future issues of *Outlook*. For more information about the videos, call 405-9263.

Dec. 5-Dec. 10: *Common Threads: Stories from the Quilt*. The story of the AIDS Memorial Quilt established by the San Francisco NAMES Project Foundation in 1987 to commemorate the lives lost to AIDS. 80 min. Plays at 9 and 10:30 a.m., noon, and 1:30, 3, 4:30, 6, 7:30 and 9 p.m.

Dec. 12-Dec. 17: *Festival of American Folklife*. Shows different events of the American Folklife Festival's 1976 bicentennial celebration in Washington, D.C. Reflects the diversity of cultures found in the U.S., as seen by the folk dances, music, arts and crafts, etc. 28 min. Plays every hour on the hour.

Dec. 19-Dec. 22: *Valuing Diversity: Diversity at Work*. Describes how management must consider race, ethnicity, disability, age, gender, sexual orientation, and culture in order to promote productive work relations and effective communication at the work place. 29 min. Plays every hour on the hour.

CALENDAR

College Park Senate Meets on Monday, Dec. 6

The next meeting of the College Park Senate convenes on Monday, Dec. 6, at 3:30 p.m., in Room 0220, Skinner Hall. President Kirwan's question-and-answer period is the special order of the day. The Senate will consider recommendations for changes in the Advanced Studies requirements of the CORE curriculum, a resolution on continuing education, a proposal to establish a Master of Engineering program, and revisions to the Senate Bylaws. Special remarks will be heard from Professor Robert Gaines, chair of the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee, on proposed policies on teaching expectations for faculty, and post-tenure review of faculty. All meetings are open to the campus community. Call 405-5805 for more information.

Arts

Guarneri String Quartet Open Rehearsal: Tue., Dec. 7, 7 p.m., Tawes Fine Arts Building. Call 5-5545.

University of Maryland Chorale Christmas Concert: Tue., Dec. 7, 8 p.m., Memorial Chapel. Call 5-5548 for info.

University Theatre: *The Beaux Stratagem*, Tue., Dec. 7, through Sat., Dec. 11 at 8 p.m., and Sat., Dec. 12, at 2 p.m., Pugliese Theatre, \$10 adults, \$7 students and seniors. Call 5-2201 for info.*

Student Chamber Music Recital: Wed., Dec. 8, Chamber Music Marathon. Tawes Fine Arts Building. Call 5-5545 for info.

University Theatre: *Romeo and Juliet*, Wed., Dec. 8 and Thu., Dec. 9, 9:45 a.m., Tawes Fine Arts Building, \$10 adults, \$7 students and seniors. Call 5-2201 for info.*

University of Maryland Percussion and Marimba Ensembles: Thu., Dec. 9, noon, 1102 Tawes Fine Arts Building. Call 5-5545 for info.

Art Center Open House: Fri., Dec. 10, 0232 Stamp Student Union. Call 4-2787 for info.

University Theatre: George Orwell's 1984, Fri., Dec. 10, 9:45 a.m., Tawes Theatre, Tawes Fine Arts Building, \$10 adults, \$7 students and seniors. Call 5-2201 for info.*

Department of Dance Informal Showing: Fri., Dec. 10, 5 p.m., Dorothy Madden Theatre, Dance Building. Call 5-3180 for info.

Maryland Gospel Choir Concert: Fri., Dec. 10, 7:30 p.m., Grand Ballroom, Stamp Student Union. Call 5-5545 for info.*

☉ **The Concert Society at Maryland WorldSong Series:** Fri., Dec. 10, "Sufi Music from Pakistan," Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan & Ensemble, 8:30 p.m., Tawes Theatre, \$50, \$35, \$25, \$15

seniors/students/groups discount. Call 3-4240 for info.*

Annual Showcase Concert: Sat., Dec. 11, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, Marching Band, 7:30 p.m., Tawes Theatre, \$7 general admission, \$5 students and seniors. Call 5-5545 for info.*

Lectures

Employee Development Training Program: Mon., Dec. 6, "Speaking Confidently II-Advanced," 9 a.m.-noon, 1101 Administrative Services. Call 5-5651 for info.

Guest Lecturer: Mon., Dec. 6, "Validity Generalization or Wishful Thinking: Some Advances, Concerns and Reflection," Jorge Mendoza, Department of Psychology, University of Oklahoma, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Faculty Lounge, 3237 Benjamin Building. A light lunch will be served.

Entomology Colloquium: Mon., Dec. 6, "Disparity, Diversity and Damage: 300 Million Years of Insects Interacting with Plants," Conrad Labandeira, National Museum of Natural History, 4 p.m., 0200 Symons. Call 5-3911 for info.

Employee Development Training Program: Tue., Dec. 7, "Effective Motivational Techniques of Supervisors," 9 a.m.-4 p.m., 1101 Administrative Services. Call 5-5651 for info.

Zoology Lecture: Tue., Dec. 7, "Comparative Investigations of the Reproductive System of Stalk-Eyed Flies (Diptera)," Marion Kotrba, noon, 1208 Zoology/Psychology. Call 5-6890 for info.

Physics Colloquium: Tue., Dec. 7, "Fun with the Superposition Principle," Daniel Greenberger, City College of New York, 4 p.m., 1410 Physics Building. Call 5-6020 for info.

Sounding the Humanities-Discussion of 'Beaux': Wed., Dec. 8, University Theatre, noon-12:50 p.m., 1102 Francis Scott Key. Call 5-2201 for info.

☉ **Middle East Roundtable Discussion:**

Wed., Dec. 8, "In the Aftermath of the Israeli-Palestinian Peace Accords: Obstacles and Opportunities for Success," Raymond Cohen, Sari Nusseibeh, William Quandt, 2-4 p.m., 1137 Stamp Student Union. Call 4-7703 for info.

Astronomy Colloquium Series: Wed., Dec. 8, "The Detection of Small Asteroids in the Final Days Before the Earth Impact," Peter Leonard, Los Alamos National Laboratory, 4 p.m., 1113 Computer and Space Sciences. Call 5-1502 for info.

Materials and Nuclear Engineering Seminar: Thu., Dec. 9, "Applications of Non-Linear Magneto-Optic Materials," C. Davis, 4 p.m., 2110 Chemical and Nuclear Engineering. Call 5-5208 for info.

Geology Seminar: Fri., Dec. 10, "Enstatite Chondrites: The Most Reduced Rocks in the Solar System," Jeffrey Grossman, U.S. Geological Survey, 11 a.m., 0103 Hornbake Library. Call 5-4089 for info.

Botany Seminar: Fri., Dec. 10, "Biogeographical & Ecological Correlates of Dioecy in the Hawaiian Flora," Ann Sakai, Program Director, Population Biology, NSF, noon, 2242 H.J. Patterson. Call 5-1597 for info.

National Reading Research Center Seminar: Fri., Dec. 10, "Running Start: Promoting Reading Engagement for First Graders Across Home and School Contexts," Linda Gambrell, 4-5 p.m., 3104 J.M. Patterson. Call 5-7437 for info.

Zoology Lecture: Tue., Dec. 14, "Mating Systems and Reproductive Success in Golden Lion Tamarins," Jim Dietz, noon, 1208 Zoology/Psychology. Call 5-6890 for info.

Meetings

Campus Senate Meeting: Mon., Dec. 6, 3:30-6:30 p.m., 0200 Skinner Building. Call 5-5805 for info.

Commission Meeting: Mon., Dec. 13,



Pakistani singer Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan and his 12-member ensemble will perform Sufi music called qawwali at Tawes Theatre on Dec. 10. Used to induce religious trances in Pakistan, qawwali has won a devoted following in the West.

William Kirwan, noon-1 p.m., Maryland Room, Marie Mount. Call 5-2840.

Miscellaneous

Returning Student Workshop: Mon., Dec. 6, "End of Semester Survival Skills," 2-3 p.m., 2201 Shoemaker. Call 4-7693 for info.

College Park Chapter of AAUP Workshop: Mon., Dec. 6, "Teaching at UMCP: Its Changing Role in Promotion," 3 p.m., Maryland Room, Marie Mount. Refreshments will be served and there will be an exhibit of materials from the Center for Teaching Excellence. Call 5-1518 for info.

Stress Management Workshop: Tue., Dec. 7, "Test Anxiety," 5:15-6:15 p.m., 2107 Health Center. Call 4-8131 for info.

Holiday Craft Fair 1993: Wed., Dec. 8-Fri., Dec. 10, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Grand Ballroom, Stamp Student Union. Call 4-9814 for info.

Returning Student Workshop: Thu., Dec. 9, "End of Semester Survival Skills," 2-3 p.m., 2201 Shoemaker. Call 4-7693 for info.

University of Maryland Mobile Robot Competition: Tue., Dec. 14, 2:30 p.m., Atrium, Stamp Student Union. Sponsored by the Department of Computer Science. Call x5-2696 for info.

Calendar Guide

Calendar phone numbers listed as 4-xxxx or 5-xxxx stand for the prefix 314- or 405- respectively. Events are free and open to the public unless noted by an asterisk (*). For more information, call 405-4628.

☉ Listings marked with this symbol have been designated as Diversity Year events by the Diversity Initiative Committee.

There's No Business Like Snow Business

When the word goes out from the Office of the Vice President of Academic Affairs that the forces of nature are going to cause a disruption in UMCP's daily routine, you can be sure that the crew from Physical Plant will be on-duty to put things back to normal as quickly as possible.

Frank Brewer, director of Physical Plant, arrives on campus about 4:30 a.m. to observe conditions of roads, parking lots, sidewalks and steps. He then calls Provost Daniel Fallon by 5:30 a.m. to review conditions and make closing recommendations. The safety of students, faculty and staff is always the primary concern.

In addition to road and walkway conditions on campus, Brewer takes into consideration the status of major arteries on the way to campus, the condition of shuttle bus feeder routes, the extent of physical plant mobiliza-

tion and the weather forecast from two sources.

Brewer says in a typical winter season, the campus is closed two days. However, in rare years, he notes, campus weather closings have run the gamut from no days to as many as six days.

Students, faculty and staff should tune into local radio and television stations (by 6 a.m.) to hear one of the following messages:

The University of Maryland at College Park campus is closed or the UMCP campus opening will be delayed for a specific number of hours, usually two or three.

Brewer notes that if no information is given on designated media, personnel should assume that the campus is open. If closed, both day and night classes are canceled.

The decision to close the campus

Snow Announcement Stations

Washington Area TV
WRC-4
WTTG-5
WJLA-7
WUSA-9
FLAGSHIP CH.
(UMCP)-8 (PGCC-TV)
CABLENEWS-21

Washington Area Radio
WMAL-AM 630

WTOP-AM 1500
WMUC-FM 88.1
WKYS-FM 93.9
WLTT-FM 94.7
WPGC-FM 95.5
WASH-FM 97.1
WMZQ-FM 98.7
WHFS-FM 99.1
WGAY-FM 99.5
WWDC-FM 101.1
WGMS-FM 103.5

Baltimore Area TV
WMAR-2
WBAL-11
WJZ-13

Baltimore Area Radio
WCAO-AM 660
WBAL-AM 1090
WLIF-FM 101.9

or delay its opening applies to everyone, excluding those individuals designated as "essential."

As soon as a snow emergency decision is determined, the Office of Public Information calls selected media (see box). Although the university tries to insure that its message is used, it cannot control announcements presented through radio or TV.

