



President’s Message

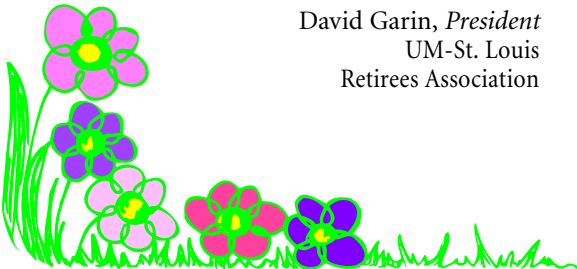
Dear Fellow Retirees,

In December, representatives from each of the four campus Retirees Associations went to a meeting in Columbia to discuss the coming academic year budget. President Floyd was not present due to an emergency, but we met with fiscal officers Mike Paden and Ken Hutchinson. After three years without a pension adjustment, we were disappointed to learn that a decision has not yet been made for this year. I can assure you that we will make a strong case directly to President Floyd to recommend retiree pension increases for this coming academic year. Our meeting with President Floyd is scheduled for March 17. On a happier note, medical insurance costs for retirees will be flat next year.

The UMSL Retirees Association spring meeting and luncheon on June 7 will be hosted by Chancellor George. Invitations will be mailed in May. I hope you will plan to attend. In addition to electing Board members and officers (secretary and treasurer), RA members will be voting on a revised constitution and by laws. The summary purpose of the revision is to make the documents more relevant for our organization and to eliminate ambiguities and terms that are no longer used. One of the new provisions is the election of a nominating committee to be chaired by the immediate past president. Please consider running for a position, either on the Board or the nominating committee or both! Regardless, please come to meet friends and enjoy lunch at UMSL.

Our webpage is up!
<http://www.umsl.edu/services/ur/spevents/retire/index.htm> - or from the UMSL home page you can find it alphabetically under R. It currently includes the list of officers, constitution, bylaws and the fall newsletter. It is still expanding and will eventually include events, meetings and, possibly, a directory of members. If you cannot download the revised C&BL and need a copy in advance of the spring meeting, please contact me.

David Garin, President
UM-St. Louis
Retirees Association



—Lunch Bunch, April 8—

Learn a little more about St. Louis area history.

Join us as we visit the 9th Street Abbey in Soulard for lunch (11 a.m.) followed by a tour of Cahokia Mounds in Collinsville, Ill.

For those who don’t want to drive it alone – we will carpool from the campus. We will meet at 10:30 a.m. at the newest parking garage- the North Garage on East Drive (near MetroLink) and park on the main level. Marilyn McGuire will have daily parking permits for anyone who needs them.

The cost for the day will be approximately \$15 per person. This will include lunch and a voluntary donation to the Mounds. Money will not be collected ahead of time.

To make a reservation, please call Marilyn Maguire at (314) 434-9591 or e-mail mhmaguire@earthlink.net

About Cahokia Mounds.....

The remains of the most sophisticated prehistoric native civilization north of Mexico are preserved at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site. Within the 2,200-acre tract, located a few miles west of Collinsville, lie the archaeological remnants of the central section of the ancient settlement that is today known as Cahokia.

According to archaeological finds, the city of Cahokia was inhabited from about A.D. 700 to 1400. At its peak, from A.D. 1100 to 1200, the city covered nearly six square miles. Houses were arranged in rows and around open plazas, and the main agricultural fields lay outside the city. The site is named for a subtribe of the Illini - the Cahokia - who occupied the area when the French arrived. Archaeological investigations and scientific tests have provided what is known of the once-thriving community.

Reminder! It’s time to pay your dues.
Lifetime dues – \$100.00 (This makes it easy!)
Annual dues – \$10.00
Checks payable to: UM-ST. LOUIS RETIREES ASSOCIATION
Send to: Dr. Sandy MacLean, 202 N. Brentwood Blvd.,
St. Louis, MO 63105-3903
Benefits include: Campus parking sticker and 10% discount at the Bookstore.

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CAMPUS CALENDAR

APRIL 7, 8 & 9 **Campus production of the musical “Pippin”** presented by the UMSL Departments of Music and Theatre, Dance & Media Studies. 7:30 p.m. Anheuser-Busch Performance Hall in the Touhill Performing Arts Center. \$12 General Public; \$8 Seniors; \$6 Students and UMSL fac/staff.

Ticket Office phone number--314-516-4949 or 866-516-4949. Tickets available online at www.touhill.org. A \$3 per ticket online convenience fee will be added to all Internet orders.)

Young prince Pippin longs to discover the secret of true happiness and fulfillment. He seeks it in the glories of the battlefield, the temptations of the flesh and the intrigues of political power (after disposing of his father, King Charlemagne). In the end, he finds it in the simple pleasures of home and family.

This hip, tongue-in-cheek, anachronistic fairy tale captivated Broadway audiences and continues to appeal to the young at heart everywhere. The energetic pop-influenced score by three-time Oscar®-winning composer/lyricist Stephen Schwartz (“Godspell,” “Children of Eden” and the animated films “Pocahontas,” “The Hunchback of Notre Dame” and “The Prince of Egypt”) bursts with one showstopping number after another, from soaring ballads to infectious dance numbers.

APRIL 8 **Lunch bunch**, see front page.

APRIL 11 **An Evening with Des Lee**, 5:30 p.m., Lee Theater, Touhill Performing Arts. His talk is entitled “*Philosophy of Entrepreneurship*.” A reception will follow at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free, but reservations are requested. Call (314) 516-5789.

MAY 5 **Spencer & Spencer Lecture** 7 p.m., Century Room, Millennium Student Center. Dr. William Dunham, Koehler Professor of Mathematics at Muhlenberg College, will give “A Tribute to Euler.” Admission is free, but reservations are requested. Call (314) 516-5789.

SPRING COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES - MAY 14 & 15
All ceremonies are open to the public. No tickets required.

14 **Commencement Ceremonies**, Mark Twain Building
10 a.m. – Bachelor of General Studies, Barnes College of Nursing and Health Studies, UMSL/WU Joint Undergraduate Engineering Program, College of Fine Arts and Communication, Master of Public Policy Administration, Master of Gerontology

2 p.m. – College of Arts & Sciences
School of Social Welfare

6 p.m. – College of Optometry
(Blanche M. Touhill Performing Arts Center)

15 **Commencement Ceremonies**, Mark Twain Building
2 p.m. – College of Education
6 p.m. – College of Business Administration

MAY 16 **Red and Gold Golf Tournament**, St. Albans Country Club. For information, contact Colleen Watermon, director of Alumni and Constituent Relations, at (314) 516-5777.

MAY 20 **29th Chancellor’s Report to the Community**, 11:15 a.m., America’s Center. Invitations will be mailed at the end of March.

JUNE 7 **Spring Luncheon and Annual Meeting**, invitations will be mailed in May.
We will elect new officers and board members. If you are interested in serving on the board, please contact one of the officers.

You asked.....

UMSL retirees may check out books and government documents from the Thomas Jefferson Library, St. Louis Mercantile Library, and the Ward E. Barnes Library on campus, as well as any of the participating libraries in the MOBIUS consortium. If you have questions, please contact Lisandra Carmichael, interim head of Access Services, at lisandra@umsl.edu, or (314) 516-7993.

Scholarship Opportunity – As tuition continues to rise, scholarships become more important than ever.

Last fall the University of Missouri System introduced an endowed scholarship matching program for one year (it expires June 30, 2005). New scholarships endowed with a minimum of \$15,000 will be matched with \$15,000 by the University of Missouri.

Please help us take advantage of this one-time offer of matching funds to increase our campus scholarships.

If everyone who receives this newsletter gave just \$30 we would have the \$15,000 necessary to receive the additional \$15,000

match for a \$30,000 scholarship – to be named the UMSL Retirees Association Scholarship. Each year (in perpetuity) a UMSL student would receive a scholarship of approximately \$1,500 as a result of our efforts. If we do not qualify for the match, all money received will still be put into a scholarship to be named in honor of the UMSL Retirees Association.

Write the check today!

And send it to: UMSL Retirees Assoc. Scholarship
308 Woods Hall
University of Missouri-St. Louis
One University Boulevard
St. Louis, MO 63121

Insurance Changes –

Effective June 1, 2005, CNA insurance companies will no longer administer our long term care program (nursing home, etc.) and MetLife will be taking over.

The following information sessions have been scheduled. Reservations are not necessary.

Monday, April 4, 2005, and Monday, May 2, 2005 -
78 J. C. Penney Building

11 a.m. Employees and retirees currently enrolled
1 p.m. Retirees not enrolled

Tuesday, April 5, 2005, and Tuesday, May 3, 2005 -
78 J. C. Penney Building

9 a.m. Retirees not enrolled
1 p.m. Employees and retirees currently enrolled

For more information on any of the events, call Cindy Vantine at 314-516-5442 or email cindy_vantine@umsl.edu