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## Confronting Authority, Virtual Reality Subjects of Lectures at University



Derrick A. Bell

Two lectures, one by a distinguished professor of law, another by an authority on virtual reality, will take place at the University on Thursday, February 16. Both lectures are free and open to the public.

• Derrick A.
Bell, Esq., who
most recently was a
scholar-in-residence
at New York
University's Law
School, will deliver

the University's first annual Hazel I. Jackson Lecture. Sponsored by MU's Office of Social Equity and Commission on Cultural Diversity and the State System of Higher Education, the lecture is titled "The Art of Confronting Authority." It will be presented at 8 p.m. in Myers Auditorium at McComsey Hall.

The Hazel I. Jackson Lecture honors a former member of Millersville's English department faculty who retired last May after some 24 years of service.

No stranger to confrontation, Bell has earned a reputation as a fiery civil rights activist who has publicly gone to battle with institutions of higher education to protest policies that he contends are rooted in racist thinking. He is well known for his defiance of a Harvard University rule limiting leaves by tenured faculty members.

His personal protest was in support of law students'

efforts to gain more diversity on the faculty.

Bell is the author of numerous publications, including Race, Racism & American Law, Faces at the Bottom of the Well: Divining the Permanence of Racism and And We Are Not Saved: The Elusive Quest for Racial Justice.

In addition, his writings and articles have appeared



Timothy Ferris

in several legal journals and in The New York Times Sunday Magazine, The Los Angeles Times and the Christian Science Monitor.

Earlier in his career, he served as a professor of law at Harvard University and at the University of Oregon Law School, where he also was dean. He was a deputy director for the Office of Civil Rights in the

mid-1960s and a staff attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice in the 1950s.

• **Dr. Timothy Ferris**, professor of journalism at the University of California, Berkeley, will speak on "Virtual Reality: The New Computer Revolution.," His talk is set for 8 p.m. in the SMC Multipurpose Room

Ferris, who serves as an essayist for "The MacNeil-Lehrer News Hour," is a prolific author. His Coming of (continued on page 3)

#### ACE Program Enrolls 200 for First-Ever Semester

Some 200 persons have enrolled in MU's new adult and continuing education program (officially known as ACE), which began this semester.

Students registered in the program are taking courses at both on- and off-campus sites.

Although officials who oversee ACE had no particular goal to reach regarding enrollment, they are delighted with the total. "I'm very pleased with the numbers, because they are quite manageable for a first time initiative like this," said Dr. Robert Labriola, dean of graduate studies and extended programs and coordinator for ACE.

He stressed that "much credit should be given to the many people across campus who put in long hours and worked together to make this effort for our part-time students so successful. The end result is very gratifying. We are now looking toward the summer and fall and, depending on the results of this first semester, fine tuning the program for our current and future students."

ACE, which gives students an opportunity to complete a baccalaureate degree while attending evening and weekend classes, is designed for the growing number of adults who must balance the desire to further their education and the necessity to hold a job and raise a family.

### Technology & Human Evolution

—Events—

**Friday, February 3**—"Demonstrations of Virtual Reality"; 6 p.m. at the SMC.

Tuesday, February 7—"The Future of Energy, Part I: Supply and Demand, Our Environment, the Future of Nuclear Power, Nuclear Fusion," lecture by Chad P. Gaiser, coordinator of programming for Penn State's Department of Nuclear Engineering, Limerick and Peach Bottom community education programs; 8 p.m. in Myers Audtitorium at McComsey Hall.

Thursday, February 16—"Virtual Reality: The New Computer Revolution," lecture by Dr. Timothy Ferris (see story above); 8 p.m. in the SMC Multipurpose Room.

### Staff Activities

DR. MARY KLINEDINST, educational foundations, currently on leave and serving as the state director for the Governor's Schools of Excellence, recently was named PDE Employee of the Year in the supervisor/manager category. The honor resulted from a selection process that included peer nomination and review and final selection by the Secretary of Education.

DR. SUSAN LUEK, psychology, and Dr. Allen Schneider, professor of psychology at Swarthmore College, were the major reviewers of George S. Grosser and Carol S. Spafford's *Physiological Psychology Dictionary*, which was published in mid-January by McGraw-Hill.

Also, Dr. Luek discussed the human brain during a workshop for fourth and fifth grade students enrolled in Intermediate Unit 13's gifted program.

JERI ROBINSON, art, recently had her computer-generated photographs in exhibitions at the Maryland Art Place in Baltimore and at the Pennsylvania School of Art and Design in Lancaster. Her artist books also were exhibited in a four-person juried show, "Layered Voices," at the McDonogh School in Maryland.

DR. M.P.A. SHEAFFER, English, was the alto soloist for the City Bar Association performance of Handel's *Messiah*, Dec. 10. In addition, Dr. Sheaffer sang *Messiah* with the Canterbury Choral Society at the Harvard Club, and she was the alto in a solo quartet for Advent III music at Holy Family Church. All these activities were in New York City.

Also, Dr. Sheaffer sang for the Clothworkers' Carol Service at St. Olave's Church and the Blessing of the Crib Service at St. Margaret Patten's Church, both in London, last December.

DR. KENNETH SHIELDS JR., English, had his article on the origin of imperative verbs in Sanskrit accepted for publication by the *Indo-Iranian Journal*.

DR. BARBARA S. STENGEL, educational foundations, had an article, "Taking the Moral Nature of Teaching Seriously," accepted for publication in the Winter 1995 issue of *Educational Forum*.

Also, Dr. Stengel is awaiting publication of the American Association for Colleges of Teacher Education's *Knowledge Base for Teacher Education*, Pergamon Press, which will include her chapter (with Alan Tom, University of North Carolina), "Methods Instruction: Purposes and Linkages."

## Professor Emeritus, Former Custodian Die

Dr. Samuel A. Riegel of Valley View and West Chester, and June E. Myers, formerly of Lancaster, both retired MU staff members, passed away.

-Riegel, 77, a professor of education emeritus, died last September 2 at Polyclinic Medical Center in Harrisburg. He received a bachelor's degree from Millersville and taught here from 1965 to 1979.

In addition to supervising student teachers, he taught graduate courses in research, curriculum and classroom management. Earlier in his career, he was a principal at West Chester and a teacher at Millersburg.

He is survived by his wife, Martha, and three sons.

-Myers, 73, died following a lengthy illness on January 18 at Conestoga View, where she had lived since October.

Born in Lancaster, she was a member of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Post 34, Lancaster.

A custodian at MU for 15 years, she retired in 1983. The Lancaster native is survived by a daughter, three sons, four sisters and numerous grand- and great-grandchildren.

#### **MEDAL Fund Grant Awards Announced**

The Staff Development Committee of the University's MEDAL Fund recently awarded grants to 20 employees to improve or enhance their professional skills.

Persons who will be receiving the grants, a description of how their grants were or will be used and the grant amounts are as follows:

Chris Demarest, Robert Forgrave, Kyle Hockman and James Shiffer, athletics, attendance at the American Football Coaches Convention held in Dallas, Texas, \$300 each.

Larry Eshelman, physical plant, enrollment in American Management Association Supervisory courses at Harrisburg Community College in Lancaster, \$370.

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Millersville University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action institution.

Bonnie Goshen, infirmary, and Dorothy Harris, counseling center, attendance at a conference on sexual assault and harassment on campus held in Cherry Hill, N.J., \$245 each.

**Daryl J. Grove**, computing and information technologies, to attend a program in Harrisburg, \$195.

Amanda Huynh and Joyce McEwan-Whitehead, financial aid, enrollment in a grammar workshop, Lancaster, \$79 each.

**Debra M. Lawson**, University police, attendance at a training seminar, "Practical Aspects of Diversified Criminal Investigation Techniques," held in Hershey, \$190.

Joseph Majcher, printing and duplicating, enrollment in courses at Harrisburg Community College, \$370.

**Joan Smith**, payroll, attendance at the American Payroll Association conference held in Charlotte, N.C., \$350.

**Joan Tollinger**, purchasing, enrollment in a WordPerfect 5.1 computer course in Lancaster, \$40.

Diane Tothero, Alfonso Peña-Ramos, Norene Lehr, and Jim Yescalis, public relations, enrollment in desktop publishing courses in Washington, D.C., \$600 each.

**Joseph Trout**, physics, attendance at the American Association of Physics Teachers Conference held in Orlando, Fla., \$400.

**Joseph Yourgal**, food services and special events, attendance at the National Association of Campus and Users Conference in LaJolla, Ca., \$350.

## Exchange Welcomes Nine To Noninstructional Staff

The Exchange takes this opportunity to welcome nine persons who recently joined the noninstructional staff; seven are serving in full-time positions, while two are employed part-time.

The new hirees, along with their job titles,

—Full-time permanent: Maribeth Rush, clerk typist 2 for field services/certification; Lisa H. Weaver, clerk typist 2 for development; Deborah A. Huslin, clerk typist 2 for admissions; Wendy L. DelPiano, State System manager specialist 2 for accounting; and Angel L. Berrios, Earl W. Hohenwarter and David W. McIntyre, custodial workers.

—Part-time permanent: James Adams Jr. and Janice Jimenez, security officers for the University Police.

## Three Staff Retirees Had Total of 36 Years of Service

Helene M. Loechner, housekeeping, Joan D. Haigh, economics and social work, and Rosamond E. Young, music—with a total of 36 years of service to the University—retired or soon will retire.

- Loechner came aboard in June of 1978 and retired January 6.
- Haigh, who joined the staff in November of 1984, retired January 20.
- Young also came to MU in November of 1984 and will retire February 3.

#### **Spring Biology Colloquiums Continue**

The spring Wednesday biology colloquium series is underway. All ten colloquiums—free and open to the public—begin at 4 p.m. in Roddy Science Center, Room 239.

Colloquium dates, topics and speakers are as follows:

—Feb. 15, "Ecology of Legionella," Dr. Carolyn Mathur, professor of biology at York College of Pennsylvania;

—Feb. 22, "How the Brain Responds to Amputation and Other Forms of Injury," Dr. Kevin Alloway, professor of neuroscience and anatomy at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center,

—March 1, "Current and Future Applications of New Technology to Animal Breeding," Dr. John F. Hasler, CEO, EM TRAN, Inc., Elizabethtown;

—March 15, "Forensic Pathology," Dr. Wayne K. Ross, pathologist for the County of Lancaster;

—March 29, "Cellular Membrane Skeletons and the Erythrocyte's Trampoline," Dr. Carol F. Whitfield, professor of cellular

and molecular physiology at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center;

—April 5, "Modern Medicine: Miracle, Myth, or Mischief?," Dr. J. Harold Mohler, renal physician, Medical and Renal Consultants, Lancaster:

—April 12, "Neural Tube Development: Involvement of the Arachidonic Acid Cascade," Dr. Ronald Piddington, professor of anatomy and physiology at the University of Pennsylvania;

—April 19, "Homage to Santa Soricinia or Why Are There so Many Kinds of Shrews?," Dr. Gordon L. Kirkland Jr., professor of biology at Shippensburg University;

—April 26, "Heart Disease in Women: An Examination of Risk Factors," Dr. Cynthia Surmacz, professor of biological and allied health sciences, Bloomsburg University, and

—May 3, "Malaria: Gone but not Forgotten," Dr. Henry Fremount, biological sciences professor at East Stroudsburg University.

For more information, call ext. 3409.

#### World-Wide University Volunteer Network Launched

University professionals wishing to volunteer their expertise will be able to do so worldwide via INUV (the International Network for University Volunteers).

Launched in partnership between the Council on International Educational Exchange with the Division of Higher Education of UNESCO, this world-wide volunteer information network will link interested university

professionals with institutions of higher education that need their assistance.

The pilot program will develop databases—accessible to anyone connected to the Internet—of volunteer listings from North America and teaching opportunities in Southeast Asian universities.

For more information, contact Dr. Marlene Arnold, international affairs, at ext. 3884.

#### **Music Lessons Offered for Beginning Students**

Millersville's Music Preparatory Program is offering lessons to beginning students on Saturday mornings this spring.

Piano lessons will be offered to students at all age levels. Band and orchestral instruction will be offered to students in grades four through 12. And voice lessons will be provided for high school students. All lessons will be taught by MU music majors from 8 a.m. to 12 noon in Lyte Auditorium.

At the end of the spring semester, participating students will have the opportunity to perform in a public recital for relatives and friends.

Fee is \$90. There is still time to register. Call ext. 3357.

#### APSCUF-MU Scholarship Applications Due Soon

Faculty are reminded that students who wish to apply for the 1994-95 APSCUF-MU Scholarship Awards must do so by February 17, 1995.

The two \$1,000 scholarships, to be used at MU, are awarded to full or part-time undergraduates who have demonstrated academic excellence, service and financial need. To be eligible a stu-

dent must be enrolled in a degree program at MU, have completed at least 45 but not more than 75 semester hours at MU, and have a QPA of 3.7 or higher at the time of application.

Applications may be picked up at the APSCUF-MU office in Schuylkill House, or at the front desk of the SMC.

# University Cagers Connect with Kids The Millersville men's basketball play

The Millersville men's basketball players brought smiles and holiday cheer to an excited group of fourth, fifth and sixth graders at Carter and MacRae Elementary School when they held an open practice and clinic December 19.

The youngsters cheered every three-point basket, behind-the-back pass and slam dunk the Marauders executed, and they also received a very important message from the players and the coaching staff: stay in school.

"What's the message?" head coach John Kochan asked the group. "Stay in school. Make something positive happen. Do good in school and make something out of your life. You must keep trying. Don't ever give up."

The broad grins on the children's faces made it a special day for the nationally-ranked Marauder cagers.

"This was good for both the kids and us," said junior forward Kevin Rowe. "We were glad to help. We gave them something to look forward to—going to college. I hope they enjoyed it, we did."

Added senior forward Larry Bragg, "It was nice to come out and help the young kids. Hopefully we can give them some guidance to stay in school, set goals and show them how important school really is."

#### **Herman Armstrong Retires**

Capital campaign chair Herman Armstrong retired in December from Warner Lambert Co. in Lititz after 25 years with the company.

He will continue to lead the cabinet of Millersville's \$13 million capital campaign.

Armstrong began his career at Warner Lambert in 1969 as an analytical chemist. In 1984, he was appointed plant manager of the Lititz



facility. He was Herman Armstrong

vice president for operations when he retired. The campaign, announced publicly in 1993, has raised almost \$9 million to date.

#### Two Lecturers (continued from page1)

Age in the Milky Way was a Pulitzer Prize nominee in 1989, received the American Institute of Physics Prize, and was also named one of the best books of the year by The New York Times, The Boston Globe, Newsday and The Los Angeles Times. His other works include The Mind's Sky: Human Intelligence in a Cosmic Context, The Universe and Eye and Galaxies. He also has produced articles for a

variety of well-known publications, including The New Yorker, The Nation, Vanity Fair, Rolling Stone and Esquire.

Dr. Ferris's work with television and the electronic media has been widespread. He served as author, narrator and executive producer for "The Realm of the Sun" PBS television series, and was author and narrator for "The Creation of the Universe," a 90-minute

TV science special, which also aired on PBS.

Earlier in his career, he was a professor at the University of Southern California School of Journalism and at Brooklyn College, City University of New York. In addition, he was New York City bureau chief for Rolling Stone magazine, as well as a contributing editor there, and a reporter for The New York Post and United Press International.

#### Men's Cagers Earn Top-10 Ranking

Millersville's men's basketball team is considered the team to beat in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference's Eastern Division this winter, and the pollsters agree.

Coach John Kochan's cagers (14-1 through games played January 25) have been ranked as high as sixth in the nation in the NCAA Division II poll. In the East Region, the Marauders have been ranked second behind the country's number-one Division II squad, IUP, which opened its season undefeated through 16 games.

A veteran team with a balanced attack, Millersville has earned solid leadership from its starting five of point guard Blaine Claiborne, wings Kenny Treadwell and Shawn Newman, and forwards Larry Bragg and Kevin Rowe. In addition, the Marauder reserves, including forwards Damon Lisnow and Kevin Towns plus guard Matt Paul, have contributed to the team's success.

If MU can win the Eastern Division championship, then it will host the annual PSAC championship tournament March 3-4 at Pucillo Gymnasium. However, many games remain, including tough road contests at Bloomsburg, Mansfield, and West Chester.

## Art Prof's Photos Capture What Is "On the Surface"

An exhibition of large-scale black and white photographs by MU assistant professor of art Debra Dilworth, titled "On the Surface," will be shown at MU through March 3.

Displayed in Sykes Gallery at Breidenstine Hall, the exhibition is open to the public without charge.

Most of the works on display are 27 by 33 inches in size and feature images of Dilworth's three daughters, Jamarri, Nazara and Imani. Mounted with these images will be smaller still-lifes of the children in their personal abodes. This comparison is one that Dilworth faces daily—the "On the Surface" aspect of life, which gives the viewer a glimpse, and the "real deal" image that invites the viewer to experience more.

Dilworth indicates that her work centers around her environment and the people she shares that space with. "I feel children are the ones who understand and appreciate the 'poetics of space.""

Gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; and Monday, 6-9 p.m.

#### Julie Dash Lecture and Film Showing Set



Julie Dash, noted African American filmmaker, will be the speaker for the Women's Film and Lecture Series on Sunday, February 5.

Free and open to the public, the program gets under way at 7 p.m. in Myers Auditorium at McComsey Hall. Dash's talk will precede her film "Daughters of the Dust," which was nominated for Outstanding Motion Picture of 1992 by the Beverly Hills Chapter of the NAACP 25th Annual Image Awards.

Born and raised in New York City, Dash has received numerous awards since embarking on her film career in 1973, and she has toured nationally and internationally with her films.

She became the first African American woman to have a full-length general theatrical release, with the debut of "Daughters" in January 1992, which is set on the Sea Islands off the coast of Georgia and South Carolina in 1902.

The American Film Institute honored her with the 1993 Maya Deren Award, which is given annually to Independent Film and Video Artists. Her critically acclaimed short film, "Illusions" (1983), a drama set in 1942, won the 1989 Jury Prize for Best Film of the Decade, awarded by the Black Filmmakers Foundation.

A question and answer period led by Dash, also part of the program, will follow the film.

#### Medal Trippers Schedule Excursion to Greece

For the experience of a lifetime in the land of Homer, Sophocles, and Plato, join excursionists who have signed on for the MEDAL Fund trip to Greece in late spring.

An adventure to the birthplace of modern civilization, this 11-day jaunt will leave Millersville on Wednesday, May 17, and return Saturday, May 27.

Those taking the trip will travel via motorcoach to New York's Kennedy International Airport for the overnight flight to Europe.

The itinerary includes visits to Athens and Delphi as well as to other historical areas including several islands, Kusadasi (Turkey), Crete, Santorini, Rhodes, and Mykonos. Travel will be by air, motorcoach and cruise ship.

Cost of the trip-\$2,895 per person (double

occupancy) or \$3,520 (single occupancy)—includes transportation, guided sightseeing tours, ship and hotel accommodations and many other amenities. An academic credit option is also available.

For a complete brochure or to make reservations, call ext. 3352 as soon as possible.

#### **MEDAL Fund Trips**

Reservations are still being taken for the following MEDAL Fund trips:

- Philadelphia Flower Show, March 5.
- Greece, May 17-27 (tentative dates).
- Branson, Mo., June 26-July 3.
- Maine (Ogunquit, Kennebunkport, Portland, Rockport, a whale watch and more), Sept. 10-15.
- Opryland's Hotel Ultimate Country Christmas, Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 26-30.

Also coming in 1995: Beauty and the Beast, Tommy and more.

For more information and to make reservations call ext. 3352 as soon as possible.

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