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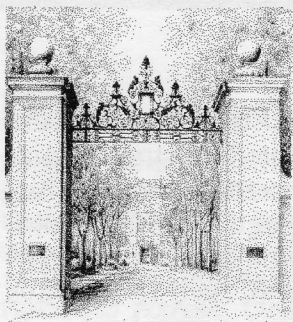
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# News & Notes

## The Children's School reopens



*Children's School Director Barbara Adams and friends*

The Rockefeller University Children's School reopened on September 12 with laughter and excitement and an assembly of smiling faces from all over the world.

Sixty-six children are enrolled in the program this year, divided into five groups by ages: Two-Threes, Threes, Three-Fours, Four-Fives (nursery), and Five-Sixes (kindergarten). Children admitted to the school are placed in the appropriate group by Educational Director Barbara Adams and her staff.

"There's a lot of hidden value in the school," said Ms. Adams. "Aside from day care and development, the program provides a safe environment for children to grow and expand their world."

From its beginning in 1966, the school has always hosted an international mix of children that reflects the ethnic mix of the campus. Barbara Adams feels the school has often been an important tool for helping the children—and their families—adapt to life in New York City.

"Some of the children come to us unable to speak English, and socializing helps them learn new language skills," Ms. Adams said. "But we even play a role for families from elsewhere in the U.S. who are trying to adjust to life in New York."

Although the school charges tuition, it is supplemented by the Rockefeller University families pay on a sliding scale according to income, and there is even a

scholarship fund for university families needing further help.

Children from outside the university community pay a flat fee and compose about one-third of total enrollment. In addition to tuition, the school earns money from bake sales (the first will be held October 19 in Tower lobby) and the Sweatshirt Shop (in the tunnel near the laundry, open Tuesdays 11:30-1:30).

Eight teachers oversee the activities of the students daily, and special instructors come in a few times a week to teach

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## Huffman named Director of Personnel

As *News and Notes* went to press Wednesday evening, it was announced that Virginia Huffman, who has served since February as Assistant Director of the Personnel Office, has been promoted to Director of Personnel effective immediately.

Ms. Huffman joined the Personnel Office in September of 1985 as a Personnel Assistant. She has been Employment Manager since February of 1987.

A profile of Virginia Huffman will appear in the next issue. ➞

## Intern becomes new archivist



Shari Diamond

Renee Mastrocco

Renee Mastrocco has found a history-lovers dream: an intern for the past year, she replaced Art Sniffin as Archivist on September 1, when he took a post with the state Archives and Record Administration.

Ms. Mastrocco works with Lee Hiltzik, the university archivist at the Rockefeller Archive Center in North Tarrytown; she spends four days a week in Nurses' Residence room 202 and one day at the upstate facility.

"I've been dealing with a lot of incoming collections for the past year," she said. "I started out working with a portion of the

Dubos collection, which is photos, manuscripts and awards from the years he was involved with environmental issues."

This work gave Mastrocco a sense of Dubos that few people have experienced. Through processing his personal papers, she says she gained "a certain familiarity, a closeness with Dubos. In addition to getting to know his work, I gained a deep respect for him as a man."

She is quick to point out that such intimacy is one of the attractions of archival work. In this case, it influenced her to write an article on Dubos for the Archives' newsletter.

However, archival work is demanding. When a lab or office closes at the Rockefeller, it usually yields between 20 and 60 cubic feet of material. The Archives must appraise and inventory this cache, then process it, which involves arranging, describing and cataloging it, all, among other things.

A common problem for the archivists is obtaining full collections from university staff.

"Some scientists think all we want is their reprints," Mastrocco said. "What's important from a historical perspective are lab books, drafts of articles, notes and correspondence. We're always willing to help people decide which materials are important."

Mastrocco has several projects underway at present, including processing two very small collections from scientists Albert Claude and Albert Sabin. A large upcoming project will be the processing of a collection of William Trager's materials.

A new intern should assume Renee Mastrocco's old duties later this year. "We have new materials coming in all the time," she said. "The recorded history of the university will be affected by how these materials are preserved." ➡➡

## Deaths

Christine O'Shea, who worked in the laundry from 1931 to 1964, died in May in Syracuse. She was 92 years old.

## Faculty restructuring update

President David Baltimore's plan to restructure the faculty, announced during last Thursday's installation, proceeded ahead this week. On Monday, the Academic Council met in special session to discuss the faculty restructuring plan, and on Tuesday the Academic Senate convened. During the Senate meeting, attended by a majority of faculty members, the

following resolution was voted unanimously:

*"Resolved, that the development of an independent junior faculty is a prime goal of the university."*

During Wednesday's Academic Council meeting, Dr. Baltimore appointed the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate to rewrite the *Rules of the Academic Senate and Policies*

*Governing Appointments and Promotions* with the goal of implementing the resolution.

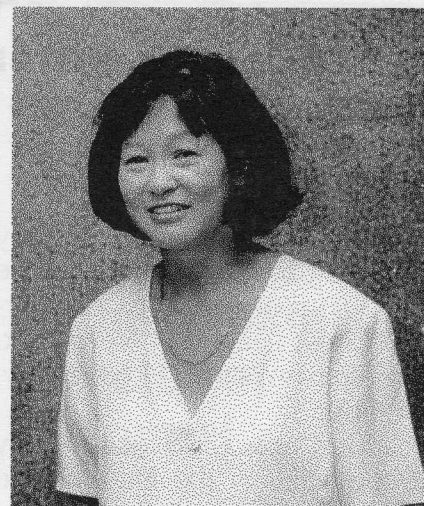
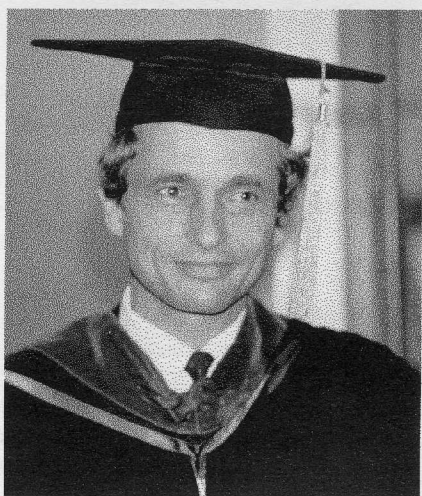
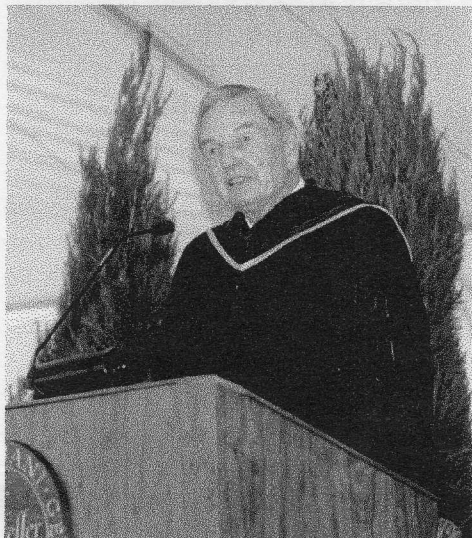
Professor Hidesaburo Hanafusa will chair the committee and Baltimore will serve on the committee *ex-officio*. Members of the committee welcome comments from the Rockefeller community and will provide formal opportunities for discussion. ➡➡



## Dawn of a new era

President David Baltimore receives the seal of office from Board of Trustees Chairman Richard M. Furlaud, at right, during Installation ceremonies September 13. Below (l to r) David Rockefeller delivers Welcoming Address; Trustee Professor Alexander G. Bearn was a Marshal in his ermine-trimmed Oxford University robes, and Professor D. Martin Carter visited with

his wife during the Installation reception. In the third row (l to r) Professor Donald Pfaff; Professor Elizabeth Luce Moore of Wellesley College chatted with Chairman Emeritus William O. Baker; Alice Huang, wife of Dr. Baltimore, greeted well-wishers at the reception; bottom, Spanky Davis and the All Stars entertained and (l to r) Susan Friedheim, Rachael Kolb, Thomas M. Donnelly and Amy Steingart enjoyed.





### Adams (continued from page 1)

Eurythmics and Dance Movement/Gym. Older children at the school have been eagerly awaiting the trip they are taking today: for some, this will be their first experience picking apples on the school's annual trip to an orchard in New Jersey. This early in the season the boughs will be heavy with apples and, consequently, low enough for the children to reach.

The Children's School also offers a Parent-Child Program twice a week in room 123 of the hospital. Geared toward children 8 to 30 months of age and their parents, the program, according to Ms. Adams, "helps

young children become a little more independent and social while still within touch of the parent."

Applications are now being accepted for admission to the

### Adams awarded

In May, Barbara Adams, Director of the Children's School, was among 90 recipients of the "New York Women's Foundation Award," given by the foundation to those making outstanding contributions to the community.

Children's School for the school year 1991-92. The school welcomes applications from all members of the university community whose children will be at least 2 years, 9 months old, but not more than 6 years, 3 months old by September 30, 1991. First priority for enrollment is given to children from The Rockefeller University community. To receive priority enrollment, applications must be submitted by January 31, 1991. Application forms may be obtained at the school, which is located on the ground floor of Sophie Fricke Hall. →→

## Announcements

### The Chess Club needs you!

The Rockefeller University Chess Club is participating in the 1990-91 season of the Commercial Chess League of New York. The season starts Wednesday, October 3.

The Chess Club meets every Wednesday at the Faculty and Students' Club at 6:30 p.m. for practice sessions. These meetings are open to beginners as well as advanced players. The next meeting is Wednesday, September 26. Anyone interested in playing on the Rockefeller Chess team should call Thomas Akompong, x8625.

### Lunchtime film offered

The Lunchtime Film Series resumes with the PBS video **Plagues** on September 27 in Caspary Auditorium. Call x8967 for details.

### Recycled paper products now available

Recycled paper products will be available in the stockroom beginning September 24. The first items available will be 8.5" x 11" ruled pads, "While You Were Out" pads, 3" x 3" Post-It pads, and 4" x 6" scratch pads. Other recycled paper products will be introduced in the future.

### Correction

In the "Summer Farewells" article in the last issue, we incorrectly labelled a photograph of Mr. Louis Perez as being Mr. Mario Perz.

## Nichols farewell



After twenty years at the university serving under two presidents, Executive Vice President Rodney W. Nichols commented that he was "leaving part of his heart, brain and soul" here during a farewell party in his honor on Tuesday. Mr. Nichols (above) will be taking a position with the Carnegie Corporation of New York.



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