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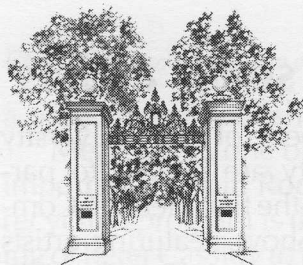
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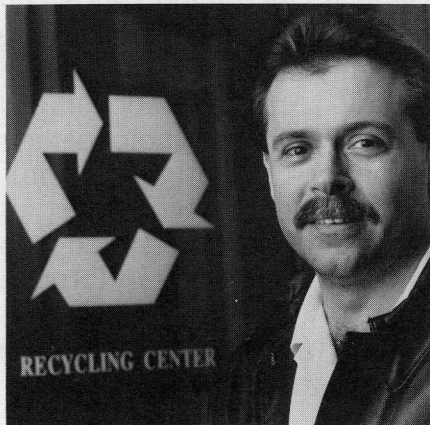
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News & Notes

Rockefeller recycling makes great leap forward



Peter Cassidy outside the new Recycling Center

Bob Reichert

each with two collection bins, one for newspapers and one for cans.

- Arrangement for pickup of these recyclables by the city every Monday.

These moves and the details were announced this week by Tom Mineo, Supervisor of Custodial Services. "This is part of our effort to improve recycling capabilities on campus," Mineo said. "We've made a real commitment to recycling, and we have also reached new agreements with the city to remove these recycled wastes from university grounds."

Although the recyclables now being collected on campus will be picked up weekly by the city, other recyclable materials, such as colored papers and periodicals, are not presently col-

lected by the city or by private carters. The university hopes to participate in the recycling of these materials if and when such

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Recycling of waste materials becomes a top priority on campus this month with these major developments:

- Establishment of a Recycling Center with a full-time staff member in charge.
- Placement of eight recycling stations around campus,

1991 Rockefeller United Way Drive was most successful ever

The pledges and donations are all tallied. The result: the 1991 United Way Drive at Rockefeller raised \$15,747—a 150% increase over last year's donations, and \$3,747 above the goal set for this year.

More than 150 donors from the university community participated in the drive, giving approximately \$11,700 throughout the year via payroll deductions. Those signing up for the payroll deduction program became contestants for a variety of prizes awarded Wednesday morning:

- Dinners for two and tickets to a university concert: Carol Calmer, Claire Mason;
- Studio portrait sittings: Richard Galbraith, Cynthia Payne
- Tower 17th floor meal-ticket books: Tamie Chilcote, Nancy Greenbaum, Martha

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Take your order?



Bob Reichert

Assistant Chef Rosalio Castro, the "Breakfast Man," is the first face many people see on campus in the mornings. Castro, who begins work at 4:00 a.m. every day, starts serving breakfast at 7:30. He joined Rockefeller in 1962, and he has been preparing breakfasts in the Tower Building since it opened in 1971. The most popular breakfast on campus? "Scrambled eggs," Castro says.

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Kellar, Geraldina Perdomo, Susan Wong;
 • Posters of the Rockefeller gate:
 Roland Franke, Maren Imhoff

• Boxes of note cards bearing the gate sketch: Robert Brown, Margaret Gabriel, Eileen Harkins, Viswanatham Katta, Mary Ann Pallo

• American Flag watches:
 Alberto Coats, Marie Delva, Kate Kadoun, Grace Silvestri, Yaw Chris Siow, John Wilson

• Color aerial photos of the campus: Susan Blum, John Hanish, Angus Nairn, Steve Oram, Marina Picciotto.

Ray Aldrete, Chairman of the university's 1991 United Way Committee, said, "It's great that so many people participated and gave so generously this year. I'm especially grateful to the lab and department representatives who contributed time as well as money to the effort. We couldn't have done it without their help."

The representatives included Adelaide Acquaviva, Steve Baeck, Zana Billue, Heath Braunstein, Roman Burzynski, Jack Contes, Helen Field, Patri-

cia Flowers, Margaret Gabriel, Louise Getting, Stuart Gezelter, Jenny Gilbert, John Hanish, Kate Kadoun, Ehud Kaplan, Marie Killory, Richard King, Amie Klemptner, Yu "Jade" Liu, Gladys McMilleon, Erika Mueller, Steve Oram, Mary Ann Pallo, Marie Phillips, Karrie Polowetzky, Ann Quatela, Daisy Rice, Martha Schiffner, Eileen Silver, Robert Spencer, Rebecca Stellato, Donna Tempel, Jonathan Williams, and Mary Jane Zimmermann

President David Baltimore also expressed thanks to all who participated. "The United Way campaign was especially important this year to many who are in need. We can be proud that we pitched in when help was needed."

Drawing winners should contact Aldrete at x8990 to collect their prizes. ➡➡



Show seeks artists

Members of the university community are invited to participate in the first Medical Complex Art Show, featuring artists from Rockefeller, Cornell Medical Center-New York Hospital and Memorial Sloan Kettering. The show, sponsored by Cornell Medical Library and Lenox Hill Artists Forum, will be held June 14-September 13 in the Cornell Library. Artists are encouraged to submit slides or photos of their paintings, sculptures, photographs, mobiles, computer art and handicrafts to Helen-Ann Brown at Cornell Library through May 10. Questions can be addressed to Charles Stepan of the Artists Forum at 472-9772. ➡➡

IBM statistical package available

Computing Services has purchased an educational site license for "A Statistical Package" (ASP), which is a menu-driven program for IBM-compatible PCs. The package performs common statistical analyses, basic matrix arithmetic and transformations.

This license entitles faculty, students and staff to use the program for any educational or research purpose on the computer of their choice. The easy-to-use program, which stores data internally as matrices, is able to read plain text files and to save computations as text files.

To get a free copy of ASP, bring a blank diskette to Computing Services. Computing Services also has a reference copy of the manual and forms for ordering it (\$24.00). ➡➡

Siekevitz, Dubos editions published

Professor Emeritus Philip Siekevitz is one of four authors of the third edition of *Cell Structure & Function: An Integrated Approach*, just published by Saunders College Publishing. Siekevitz says the book, which appeared in 1963, was the first to combine cell biology and biochemistry. The other authors are Ariel G. Loewy (Haverford College), John R. Menninger (University of Iowa) and Jonathan A. N. Gallant (University of Washington).

The World of René Dubos: A Collection from His Writings, edited by Gerard Piel and Osborn Segerberg, Jr., for the René Dubos Center, has been published by Henry Holt and Co. and is available at local bookstores for \$29.95. The book is an anthology of essays from Dubos' papers, books, speeches and articles. ➡➡

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a program is established.

Meanwhile, one of the most important steps in Rockefeller's recycling program is the assigning of Peter Cassidy to the task of handling the effort on a full-time basis. Cassidy, a porter, had formerly devoted part of his time to recycling.

The recycling stations, scheduled to be in operation by mid-April, will each consist of two blue, 25-gallon barrels bearing recycling logos. Their tentative locations are listed below.

- Tower second floor
- Bronk second floor
- Hospital A level
- Sophie Fricke alcove
- Founder's Hall first floor
- Smith B level
- Flexner B level and
- Abby Aldrich near Faculty and Students' Club.

Once a week, Cassidy will make the rounds of the recycling stations and take the contents to dumpsters on 64th Street for pickup by city crews. Cassidy asks that he be called on x8118 if barrels in any station are full so he can arrange for immediate pickup. He is also amenable to establishing more stations as needed in the future.

He cautions, though, that only appropriate materials be recycled—not the bags or boxes used to gather the materials. And Lab Safety Director Ed Gershey adds his own note of caution: "As a consequence of the Medical Waste Tracking Act and the city's implementation of it, we can't recycle glass and plastics from the laboratories. These are considered medical wastes and must be disposed of as they are now." ➔

Hironaka elected university trustee

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees has elected Dr. Heisuke Hironaka, William Elwood Byerly Professor of Mathematics at Harvard University, to serve as a university trustee, effective immediately.

Hironaka, a native of Japan, holds two Ph.D. degrees, one from Harvard University (1960) and one from Kyoto University (1963). He worked for Brandeis University (1960-62, 1963-64), the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton (1962-63), and Columbia University (1964-66) before joining Harvard as a Research Associate in the fall of 1966. Since 1967 he has been a professor at Harvard, and he served as Chairman of the Department of Mathematics there during 1978-81. Heisuke Hironaka is the fourth trustee elected since last July. ➔

Policy on sexual harassment

Rockefeller University is committed to assuring all employees a bias-free work environment. In short, according to Eileen Holleran, Assistant Director of Personnel and Affirmative Action Coordinator,

"Sexual harassment is directed by men against women, women against men, men against men, and women against women. An area of confusion often follows the line between what is flirtatious behavior and what is offensive behavior. If one's behavior toward another is not welcome, then it is offensive; if the unwelcome behavior has sexual overtones or meaning, then it is sexual harassment. Examples are off-color jokes or remarks, unwelcome deliberate touching, obscene gestures and, at the extreme, forceful demands by threat or use of



Eileen Holleran talks with a visitor to her office

sexual harassment will be neither sanctioned nor tolerated.

A copy of the university's policy in its entirety is being distributed to all members of the community.

In describing it, Holleran said:

physical force, or by threat of compromise in work conditions or promotional opportunities."

For more information, contact Holleran at x8300, or see her in the Personnel Office. ➔

Bookstore offers discount

A number of merchants in the area offer discounts to Rockefeller employees, and now Bookberries, at 983 Lexington (corner of 71st Street), can be added to the list. **Bookberries** offers a 10% discount to anyone showing a Rockefeller I.D. In addition, the store, which specializes in children's books and special orders, offers free delivery.

Other area merchants offering discounts to members of our community are listed below.

- **Avis Rent-a-car**, 304 E. 64th St. (20% discount),
- **Hertz Rent-a-car**, 327 E. 64th St. (5% discount weekends, 20% Sun.-Thurs.),
- **Hudson News Bookstore**, 265 E. 66th St. (15% discount, except newspapers and magazines),
- **I Can't Believe It's Yogurt**, 1237 First Ave. (10% discount),
- **Maurice Jaitin Opticians**, 1414 Second Ave. (5% discount),
- **Leroy Pharmacy**, 1325 First Ave. (5% discount),
- **Love Pharmacy**, 1308 First Ave. (5% discount, 10% off prescriptions),
- **Pasta Brokers Restaurant**, 1153 York Ave. (10% discount),
- **RKO Video**, 1295 Second Ave. (offers "Good Neighbor" discount; ask for details), and
- **Zucchini Restaurant**, 1336 First Ave. (10% discount).

Hui-Quan Han presents thesis

Graduate Fellow Hui-Quan Han will present his thesis at 3:45 on Thursday, April 11, in Caspary Auditorium. The title of the thesis is "Induction of Formation of Presynaptic Terminals by Synapsin IIb." A tea will precede the presentation at 3:15. ➡➡

Announcements

Tutoring volunteers needed

A Basic Educational Enrichment Program is being established at the university, and volunteers are needed to tutor in basic reading and math. Group training will be provided; no prior teaching experience is required. Those interested are encouraged to respond to Mary Ann or Brenda in the Personnel Office, x8300.

New hours for switchboard

The university's new switchboard hours—8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. weekdays—took effect Monday, April 1. In addition, beginning today, the switchboard (located in the hospital lobby) and the entrance to the hospital will be closed on weekends, from 8:00 p.m. Fridays to 8:00 a.m. Mondays. Remember to use x1111 for any on-campus emergencies weekends or after hours.

RockMUG discusses new software

The Rockefeller University Macintosh Users' Group (RockMUG) will hold its April meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 11:30-12:30, in Caspary 1B. The topic this month is "Discussion of the New Mac System Software: An Overview of Features in System 7.0"

There will be a general Mac question and answer session. Bring your lunch to the meeting; soft drinks will be provided. Questions can be addressed to Rachael Kolb at x8933 or via e-mail to *rachael*.

Space inventory requires visits

The university's Planning and Construction Office is developing a systematic management data base for the campus' physical space. Once completed, this data base will be used as a tool for operations management and planning.

Current floor plans of all buildings have already been loaded into a computer-based file. In coming weeks, this information must be verified and corrected to correspond to actual physical conditions.

Consequently, labs and departments will be contacted soon to schedule a field visit from a verification team supervised by Eleni Barzouka-Soto, a project manager in the Planning and Construction Office. Although the team will verify space and mechanical, electrical, plumbing and finish details in each area, the visits will be brief. The team appreciates the patience and assistance of the community during these visits.

Polanski film shows Sunday

The Rockefeller University Film Series will present Roman Polanski's 1962 film *Knife in the Water* on Sunday, April 7, at 7:30 in Caspary Auditorium. Admission is free.



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