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SUMMER 1999

Discover Northeastern: Celebration of the Arts

The long-awaited Fine Arts Center will officially be opened on Thursday, September 16, 1999, with a ribbon cutting ceremony and the Open Doors Arts Festival. This event will kick-off nine months of recitals, exhibits, performances, and other activities. Serving as honorary co-chairs for the celebration are Illinois Governor George H. Ryan, Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley, NEIU Board of Trustees Chair Daniel L. Goodwin, and NEIU President Salme H. Steinberg. This celebration is intended not only for the entire university community, but also for the city of Chicago and all supporters and friends of fine arts.

The ribbon cutting ceremony will take place at noon on September 16, and will be followed by the Open Doors Arts Festival. From 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. and again from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., alumni, visitors, students, faculty and staff will have the opportunity to discover (or rediscover) Northeastern and, in particu-

lar, the new facility that is worthy of the quality of NEIU's fine arts program. They will tour the region's most advanced



facilities for the teaching of the arts. Visitors will see the technologically enhanced classrooms, music practice rooms, and studios for such programs as dance, ceramics, and jewelry making. And they will also view the beautiful new 175-seat Recital Hall.

From September through May, many exciting activities are taking place in celebration of the arts. In partnership with 98.7 WFMT, the university will broadcast live and taped concerts from the Recital Hall with such talents as the soprano Sumi Jo, the Vermeer Quartet, and NEIU faculty. Exhibits in the Main Art Gallery include paintings from artist Gustavo Monroy, a kimono exhibition from the May Weber Foundation, and works from past and present art faculty. Additionally, Jamaica Kincaid, author of the acclaimed books *At the Bottom of the River* and *The Autobiography of My Mother*, and Parker Palmer, author of *The Courage to Teach*, will give public lectures to the university and community.

For complete information on our 1999-2000 season, visit us at www.neiu.edu or call (773) 794-ARTS.

Distinguished Alumni Recognized

This spring, President Salme H. Steinberg presented five special graduates with the Distinguished Alumni Award at the Alumni Day Celebration (see related article on page 7). This award is presented to alumni who excel in the areas of Professional Achievement, Community Service or Service to Alma Mater.

At the awards luncheon, Geraldine Lawhorn (pictured right) served as keynote speaker and was recognized for Professional Achievement. She captivated the audience of over 90 alumni, faculty and staff while sharing her experience as the first African-American blind-deaf person to graduate with a college degree. She and the other honorees had many positive words to share about their experiences at NEIU.

Geraldine Lawhorn (B.A. '83 UWW)

Deaf Education Specialist, Hadley School for the Blind, Winnetka, Illinois

"I was very happy that the University Without Walls program accepted all of the credits I had earned (at the American Conservatory of Music). I studied (at NEIU) for three years and earned my degree in 1983. I was very grateful for this opportunity."

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NEIU News in Brief

October 1998

President Salme H. Steinberg was appointed to a three year term as the Illinois representative to the American Association of State Colleges and Universities' Council of State Representatives. Effective August 1999, she is also the convener of all public university presidents in the state of Illinois.

The keynote speaker at the "Equity in Action Program" was NEIU alumna and *Chicago Tribune* columnist **Achy Obejas**. She spoke on the role of the press and media in affirmative action issues.

December 1998

College of Lake County **President Gretchen Naff** and **President Steinberg** signed an agreement that allows for concurrent admission to both institutions beginning January 1999. Students who wish to participate must meet the admission requirements of both institutions as well as admission requirements of the NEIU program in which they desire to major or minor.

February 1999

William J. Pizzi, professor of Psychology, was named president-elect of Faculty for Undergraduate Neuroscience of the Society for Neuroscience.



March 1999

Phil Zipp, (right) vice president of IBM Corporation's Global Network Operations, presented a grant to President Steinberg and Richard Rutschman (left), Chicago Teachers' Center program development coordinator, to help fund the Play for Peace program.

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Northeastern Illinois University subscribes to the principles of equal opportunity and affirmative action and does not discriminate against any individual on the basis of age, color, disability, gender, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

Grants Update

Project Title: Network of Experiential Adventure Learning (NEAL)
Funding Agency: Chicago Annenberg Challenge
Project Director: Richard Rutschman, Chicago Teachers' Center
Grant Award: \$325,000

This project leads school improvement and restructuring activities using two models of experiential education proven successful in improving student academic achievement. The NEAL network includes the Chicago Prep Charter School and three schools within the Youth Connection Charter School: C.C.A. Academy, and Latino Youth Alternative and Prologue high schools.

Project Title: Bilingual Education: Training for All Teachers
Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Education
Project Director: Maria Korkatsch-Groszko, Teacher Education
Grant Award: \$146,156

This collaborative program with the Chicago Public Schools will work with 25 bilingual/bicultural K-8 teachers. Participating teachers in this three-year program will earn a Type 29 certificate in Transitional Bilingual Education and a Master of Arts degree in Teaching: Bilingual/Bicultural Education.

Project Title: Citizenship Empowerment Project
Funding Agencies: The Fund for Immigrants & Refugees and Illinois Department of Human Services
Project Director: Margaret Boyter-Escalona, Chicago Teachers' Center
Grant Award: \$87,500

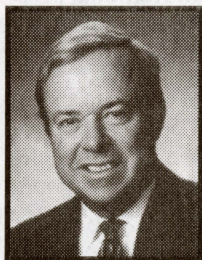
The Worker Education Program of the Chicago Teachers' Center, in collaboration with the Union of Needletrades, Industrial and Textile Employees (UNITE), will continue to provide immigrant union members with citizenship and English as a Second Language education. With funding from both agencies, 200 UNITE member immigrants will receive assistance as part of their naturalization process.

Project Title: Bilingual Education Collaborative
Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Education
Project Director: Joan Macala, Chicago Teachers' Center
Grant Award: \$48,000

This program will increase the number of bilingual students and paraprofessionals teaching in Illinois by developing Bilingual Teacher programs at area schools, and recruiting, enrolling and training bilingual students to become pre K-12 teachers. Partners in this program include Roosevelt University and the City Colleges of Chicago.

Alumni In the Spotlight

NEIU alumni are serving in elected offices throughout Illinois. Please let us hear about others in your state.



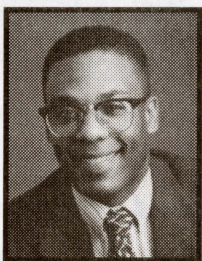
Robert Biggins
(B.A. '69 Sec. Ed. - History)
Illinois State Representative
for the 78th Legislative District



William Delgado
(B.A. '82 Criminal Justice)
Illinois State Representative
for the 3rd Legislative District



Billy Ocasio
(B.A. '92 BOG)
26th Ward Alderman
Chicago



Walter Burnett
(B.A. '98 UWW)
27th Ward Alderman
Chicago



Walter Dudycz
(B.A. '93 UWW)
Illinois State Senator for the 7th
Legislative District



Coy Pugh
(B.A. '92 BOG)
Illinois State Representative for the
10th Legislative District



Vilma Colom
(B.A. '77 History)
35th Ward Alderman
Chicago



Sara Feigenholtz
(B.A. '79 Speech - Performing Arts)
Illinois State Representative
for the 12th Legislative District



Miguel del Valle
(B.A. '74 Sec. Ed. - Spanish, M.A. '77
Counselor Ed.)
Illinois State Senator
for the 2nd Legislative District



Luis Gutierrez
(B.A. '76 English)
U.S. Congressman
in the 4th Legislative District, Illinois

Also, not pictured are:

Brian G. Doherty
(B.A. '84 Business - Management)
41st Ward Alderman, Chicago

Calvin Giles
(B.S. '94 Management)
Illinois State Representative
for the 8th Legislative District

Sally Johnson-Bledsoe
(B.A. '85 Public Admin.)
City Clerk, Chicago

Margaret Laurino
(B.A. '74, M.A. '93 History)
39th Ward Alderman (NEIU's Ward),
Chicago

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45th Ward Alderman, Chicago

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(B.A. '83 Inner City Studies)
Illinois State Representative
for the 30th Legislative District

Sonia Silva
(B.A. '79 UWW)
Illinois State Representative
1st Legislative District

Ed H. Smith
(M.A. '71 Inner City Studies)
28th Ward Alderman, Chicago

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Melvin C. Terrell, Ph.D., vice president for Student Affairs/Public Affairs, became president-elect of the National Association of Student Affairs Professionals. Terrell is also president of the Illinois Committee on Black Concerns in Higher Education, which holds its annual conference at NEIU October 17-19, 1999. For further information, call A. Alyce Claerbaut at (773) 794-2866.

Linda Yu, ABC Channel 7 news anchor and reporter, delivered the keynote address at the Asian American Heritage Program on campus. The theme was "Building Unity with Diversity."



Bertice Berry, award winning lecturer, author, stand-up comedian, and host of "USA Live," appeared as part of the Presidential Lecture Series. Berry revealed how inspiration can lead to personal fulfillment, utilizing her unique humor to captivate students and the university community.

William Rainey Harper College President **Robert Breuder** and **President Steinberg** signed an agreement that allows for concurrent admission to both institutions beginning in fall, 1999. This facilitates the transfer process, giving Harper students access to quality baccalaureate programs offered at NEIU.

April 1999

The GTE Foundation awarded a \$30,000 GTE FOCUS grant to NEIU to fund N-Connects, a program to promote the recruitment and retention of qualified minority students who pursue undergraduate degrees in mathematics and science.

The Board of Trustees re-elected its officers for another one-year term. **Daniel L. Goodwin**, chairman and CEO of Inland Group, Inc. was re-elected chair; **Willie J. Taylor**, vice president of Sonicraft Inc., vice chair, and **Nancy J. Masterson**, chair and CEO of Moose Lodge, Ltd., secretary.

Gloria Ladson-Billings, award-winning educator and author, participated in a dialogue about "Creating High-Performance Classrooms of Diverse Learners" at NEIU's Chicago Teachers' Center. She described ways in which educators can engage students in activities and learning experiences which connect the classroom with the community.

NEIU hosted a meeting in cooperation with the Chicago Education Alliance to discuss the Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR-UP) and Teacher Quality Initiatives, both federal programs in the Higher Education Amendments.

African American/Caribbean Heritage Program activities celebrated the diversity of the NEIU community and fostered new understanding and appreciation of its diverse members.

May 1999

The College of Education was awarded accreditation from the Unit Accreditation Board of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) at the initial teachers' preparation and advanced levels. NCATE-accredited schools must meet rigorous standards set by the profession and members of the public.

June Sochen, Ph.D., Professor of History and Women's Studies, had her most recent book, *From Mae to Madonna: Women Entertainers in Twentieth Century America*, published by The University Press of Kentucky.

June 1999

Oakton Community College President **Margaret B. Lee** and **President Steinberg** signed an agreement that allows for concurrent admission to both institutions.

Michael T. Kelly was appointed Dean of Students. He comes from the University of Illinois at Chicago where he had served as Director of Judicial Affairs and Assistant Dean of Student Affairs since 1990.

Joyce A. Hieshima, Ph.D., (M.A. '80 and M.A. '83) was appointed Associate Provost. She also holds the rank of Associate Professor in the College of Education.

Hoda Mahmoudi, Ph.D., was appointed Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Her scholarly activities include both national and international presentations as well as publications that span a variety of disciplines.

NEIU's Board of Trustees approved two measures to benefit students, including the expansion of the health insurance program for students with no additional cost to students. The Board also presented and approved a resolution commending NEIU **President Steinberg's** outstanding leadership.

NEIU is extending the office hours of several of its student support areas. This will be especially convenient for the large population of part-time, evening students who need increased accessibility to student services.

Announced at Press Time

NEIU IS LEAD INSTITUTION IN GEAR UP GRANT

Award announced by the U.S. Secretary of Education

NEIU will play a lead role as fiscal agent in a five-year, \$31 million GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs) grant that will provide comprehensive services to disadvantaged middle and secondary school students to prepare them for high school, ultimate success in college, and toward becoming life long learners. U.S. Secretary of Education, Richard W. Riley, came to Chicago on August 11 to announce the awarding of the grant which amounts to more than \$3.8 million in the first year. The grant was awarded to the Chicago Education Alliance (CEA), a partnership consisting of five of the university and college partners, including NEIU, of the CEA; the City Colleges of Chicago; and a number of private foundations and corporations. President Steinberg is a member of the Steering Committee of the CEA. The CEA grant is the largest GEAR UP grant awarded in the country. GEAR Up will serve about 12,000 students in 34 selected Chicago Public schools. Wendy Stack, a program associate at the Chicago Teachers' Center, a facility of NEIU's College of Education, is the partnership director.

Professor Emerita Margaret Lindman Donates Instructional Puppet Collection



Margaret Lindman, Ph.D., professor emerita, Teacher Education, and her husband, Richard, recently donated 19 puppets and marionettes to the NEIU Foundation. The puppets will be used by the Teacher Education Program of the College of Education. The Lindman's plan to augment the collection and have created the Lindman Puppetry Fund to care for it. Dr. Lindman is well known for her presentations to children and use of puppets in teacher training.

The NEIU Foundation accepts charitable donations to help the university meet and augment its educational goals and student needs. In addition to seeking support from the private sector, the Founda-

tion also manages annual donations made by alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends of the university. If you are interested in making a gift or need additional information, please call the director of development at (773) 794-2555.

Chapter Events

Black Alumni Chapter

The chapter will hold its second annual picnic on Saturday, September 18 outside of the P.E. Complex. The day will include food, music, and recreational activities, as well as a bid tournament. Alumni are also needed to help shape the future of the chapter and to plan a spring 2000 event. To get involved, call the alumni office.

Latino Alumni Chapter

This newly formed chapter will have its first gathering in the fall. Alumni interested in serving on the planning committee are encouraged to call the alumni office.

Polish-American Heritage Month Celebration

The Council of Educators in Polonia is once again sponsoring a fall celebration on October 22 in Alumni Hall. The event features dance and musical performances to celebrate the many contributions of Polish-Americans. Please contact the alumni office for details.

Milwaukee and S.E. Wisconsin Alumni Event

The Office of Alumni Affairs is planning a gathering of alumni living in Milwaukee and southeast Wisconsin. All alumni living in the area are encouraged to participate.

If you are interested in any of the above chapter activities, please contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at (773) 794-2892. We can also be reached by e-mail at alumni@neiu.edu

Events Calendar

September 16

Discover Northeastern: Celebration of the Arts, Fine Arts Center Ribbon Cutting, Noon

Open Doors Arts Festival

12:30 - 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Fine Arts Center

September 18

Black Alumni Chapter Picnic

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. outside of Physical Education Complex

September 26

A Global Vision

The NEIU Foundation's 12th Annual Scholarship Banquet, Student Union Special Performance by *Rachel Barton*, Recital Hall

September 29

Presidential Lecture Series presents *Jamaica Kincaid*, author

October 11 - 18

Abraham Lincoln Brigade

Americans in Spain
Call (773) 794-2677 for information

October 12

Foreign Language Career Forum

1:40 - 4:00 p.m.
Student Union, Room 214

October 22

Polish-American Heritage Month Celebration, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Alumni Hall

October 27-29

Illinois Committee on Black Concerns in Higher Education Annual Conference, NEIU campus.

Call (773) 794-2866

November 30

Presidential Lecture Series presents *Parker Palmer*, educator and author

April 8, 2000

Alumni Day, Student Union

For more information (unless otherwise noted), contact Alumni Affairs at (773) 794-2892. For Discover Northeastern Inaugural Concert Series dates, see center section.

NEIU Leads With International Initiative

Northeastern Illinois University has long been recognized for its diversity, with more than 55 languages being spoken in students' homes. Through the leadership of President Salme H. Steinberg, the realization of Northeastern's mission has become more global, preparing students for the 21st Century. Here are a few examples of how students, faculty, and the university community contribute to and benefit from a global vision.

NEIU Students Study Around the Globe

Over the last ten months, 60 Northeastern students have studied abroad, experiencing India, Israel, Belize, Korea, Spain, Italy, Ireland, England, and South Africa. These students return to NEIU with a new perspective and share their experiences with the university community through scholarly presentations and workshops.

NEIU Helps Strengthen International Education in Illinois

The Presidential Summit on International Education took place at Motorola University in January. Presidents from 45 Illinois public and private universities and colleges, the Executive Director of the IBHE, the Deputy Governor for Education of the state of Illinois, legislators, and many business leaders attended. Several strategic initiatives will unfold from this summit, which served as a forum for strengthening international education in Illinois. President Steinberg addressed the opening dinner and was a panelist for a session on faculty development for international education. She also was a member of the summit's steering committee for presidents.

Korean Delegation Visits NEIU

President Steinberg recently hosted a delegation from Korea. President Jin Lee of the Kongju Communications Arts College and his colleagues came to NEIU, accompanied by Korean Consul General Jong Kyou Byun. President Steinberg signed a letter of agreement for student and faculty exchanges between the institutions.

NEIU Hosts Korean Cultural Performances

NEIU was one of three sites in the United States selected for the 1999 Korean Cul-

tural Program. "It was an honor for NEIU to host the program," said President Steinberg, "and we are pleased to continue our important relationship with the Korean community."

NEIU Collaborates With Beijing University

Beijing Foreign Studies University President Chen Nai-Fang and his delegation met on campus with President Steinberg, Joyce A. Hieshima (M.A.'80 and M.A.'83), Associate Provost, and Mohan K. Sood, Dean of the Graduate College and Director of International Programs. President Chen is interested in having NEIU faculty members teach or conduct research at Beijing Foreign Studies University, the principal source of China's diplomatic corps worldwide.

President Meets Japan's Prime Minister

At the invitation of Japanese Consul General Mitoji Yabunaka, President Steinberg attended a dinner and reception hosted by Mayor Richard M. Daley of Chicago for the Prime Minister of Japan when he was in Chicago recently. It was a memorable occasion.

First American to Receive Chinese Research Fellowship

NEIU Associate Professor of History Andrew Eisenberg, Ph.D. is the first American to receive a Chinese Culture Research Fellowship from the China Scholarship Council of the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China. Dr. Eisenberg is researching Wu Zetain, China's only female emperor, and the politics surrounding the imperial succession during the early Tang period. The China Culture Research Fellowship invites history and social science scholars to conduct research in China, creating a broader international understanding of Chinese culture.

Two NEIU Professors Awarded Fulbright Scholarship

NEIU Associate Professor of History Patrick B. Miller, Ph.D. was awarded a J. William Fulbright Lecturing and Research Award. Dr. Miller taught a course entitled, "African American Memoir and Autobiography" and another on the Civil Rights Movement at Westfälische Wilhelms Universität in Münster, Germany. Additionally, Miller was invited to present lectures and guide academic workshops in other European countries, as well as to assist in the organization of a conference for the Collegium on African American Research.

NEIU Associate Professor of Finance Rasoul Rezvanian, Ph.D. was funded by the Fulbright Program as a Fulbright Scholar to participate in educational and research activities in Baku, Azerbaijan. Subsequent to this award, Dr. Rezvanian served as visiting lecturer at the Nanyang University in Singapore to teach and do research in financial institutions and markets. He is currently a faculty intern at the Department of Labor in Washington, D.C. and will return to NEIU this fall to share this vast experience in international business.

"Americans in Spain" The International Brigade. Multi-Disciplinary Program Offered October 11-18, 1999

NEIU has planned an inspiring week of classes, seminars, and cultural activities that revisit and celebrate the political idealism and commitment to international democracy of the over 2,800 American volunteers who went to Spain, calling themselves the Abraham Lincoln Brigade. This multi-disciplinary program includes over 25 presenters on topics ranging from "The Lincoln Brigade - Allies and Enemies" to "Picasso, Guernica, and the War Years." For information, call (773) 794-2677, or visit our website at www.neiu.edu/~comaffpb/brigade.htm

These are only a few recent examples of how Northeastern Illinois University expands its boundaries beyond Chicago and the United States. Alumni and friends are welcome to share in the experience by joining students on some of these trips.

For a travel opportunity to Europe, see the article on page 16.

Alumni Day A Hit!

NEIU alumni found many more reasons to be proud of their alma mater at the annual Alumni Day celebration in April. Attendance for the full day of activities increased 25 percent over last year. Graduates from three decades joined faculty, staff and friends on campus. One alumnus came all the way from California (see top photo).

The day began with a reception and a preview tour of the impressive new Fine Arts Center (FAC), Recital Hall, and Art Gallery, which were under construction at the time. (See articles about the FAC on page one and in the center section.) Faculty members and alumni presented seminars on topics such as modernizing your job search; teaching as affected by technology; investing in today's market; diversifying your workforce; and understanding the changing political and economic realities of the European Continent.

At the Alumni Awards Luncheon, five outstanding graduates were honored for Community Service, Professional Achievement and Service to Alma Mater (see related article on page one). President Steinberg addressed the guests and emphasized the importance of alumni support and involvement in the life of the campus. "Great universities," she said, "draw voluntary support from alumni in many ways to enhance student learning."

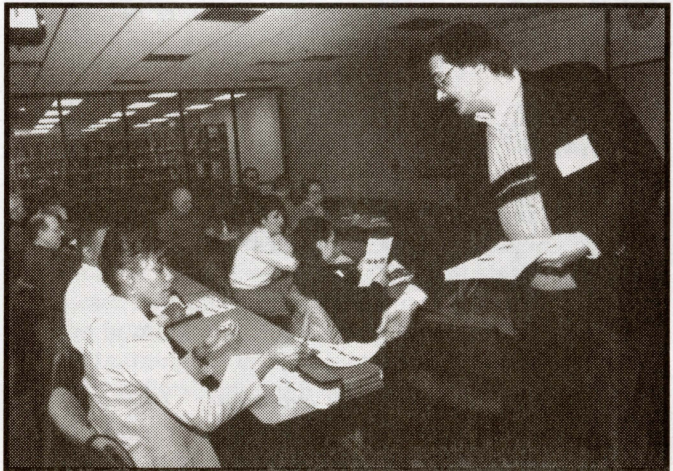
Many alumni were attracted to constituent group gatherings in the afternoon. Chemistry graduates, M.B.A. alumni and students, and members of the Black Alumni Chapter each had receptions to meet and greet classmates. Art alumni also met and many exhibited their favorite works, which were enjoyed by other alumni and guests as well, during a pre-lunch open house hosted by the Colleges and the alumni office.

In the evening, alumni and their friends enjoyed a wine and cheese reception and a "curtain chat" previewing the production with Kevin Long, director of *Bus Stop*, before the superb sold-out performance at Stage Center.

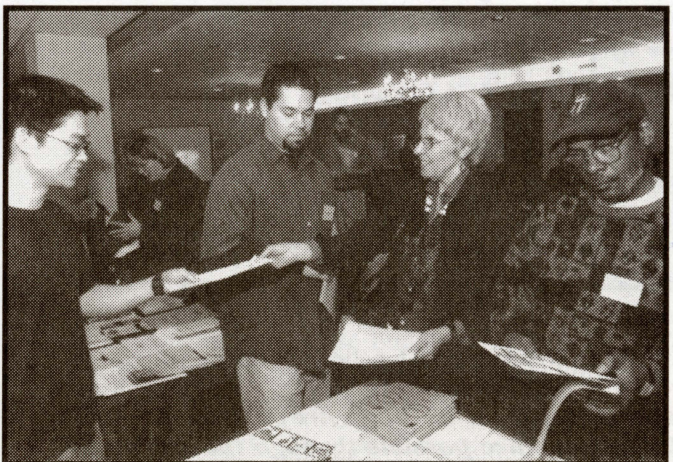
Don't miss next year's celebration on Saturday, April 8, 2000. To volunteer for next year's event, or to nominate alumni to be honored at future events, please call the Alumni Office at (773) 794-2892.



Recognized for attending Alumni Day from the furthest distance was George Kinoshita (B.A. '84 B.O.G.) from Ojai, CA. Also pictured are Wilma Sutton, Executive Assistant to the President (left), Lisa Cooper, Director of Alumni Affairs (right), and her son, Donte.



George Bagel, Assistant Director of Placement, gives tips on the 21st Century job search.



Art alumni share conversation and their works of art.

Distinguished Alumni, cont'd from page 1

Also receiving awards for Professional Achievement were:



James Cunneen
(B.A. '72 Sec. Ed.-Mathematics)
Superintendent of the Morton High School District, Chicago

"We really have to center on urban institutions like NEIU which can perpetuate, through their teaching and instruction, an acceptance for special education students, for people of different colors, and for people of different abilities. That's where NEIU takes a leadership role."



Lula Ford
(M.A. '74 Inner City Studies)
Assistant Superintendent of the Department of Funded Programs, Chicago Public Schools

"NEIU is such a diverse university. That is, in itself, a testimony to the great leadership of President Steinberg. I know that my going through NEIU has certainly helped prepare me for what I am doing today."

Receiving an award for Dedicated Community Service was:



Karen A. Yarbrough
(M.A. '96 Inner City Studies)
President and CEO,
Hathaway Insurance Agency
Vice President, Proviso Area United Way in Illinois

"I had a wonderful experience. I have a world view as a result of my education at NEIU. My education at the Center for Inner City Studies opened up the world to me."

The awardee for Service to Alma Mater, Department of Chemistry, Earth Science, and Physics was



Jerome M. Wysocki
(M.A.T. '75 Chemistry)
Senior Research Investigator
G.D. Searle & Co., Chicago

"The education I received here at NEIU, in my opinion, was the best I could have obtained anywhere. It has opened my eyes and changed me quite a bit as a person."

Geraldine Lawhorn concluded the luncheon by offering this piece of advice: *"We should always remember, no matter how difficult things may seem, all things are possible through the mind, all things are possible through the spirit...all things are possible."*



Discover Northeastern Inaugural Concert Series

Performances begin at 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall of the Fine Arts Center. Selected performances will be broadcast on 98.7 WFMT.

September 17, 1999 **The Avalon String Quartet**
In partnership with
Mostly Music, Inc.

October 15 **The Vermeer Quartet** with
faculty guest artist
Charles Pikler, violist
In partnership with
Mostly Music, Inc.

**Spectacular Scholarship
Banquet Features
Violinist Rachel Barton
and Science Alumnus
Robert Moyzis**



Celebrate Northeastern Illinois University and *A Global Vision* in the soaring spaces of the completely renovated NEIU Student Union on Sunday, September 26, 1999. Guests will tour the new NEIU Fine Arts Center and witness a virtuoso performance as it is taped for later radio broadcast.

The 12th annual NEIU Foundation scholarship fund raiser will honor NEIU's own alumnus, **Robert K. Moyzis, Ph.D.** (B.S. '71, biology and chemistry). Moyzis, who has been a leader in Human Genome Project research and direction, will

be honored for Outstanding Achievement and Contributions to Learning. NEIU President Salme H. Steinberg, and NEIU Foundation President Ted Biedron, publisher of *North Shore Magazine*, will present the award.

The appearance of Rachel Barton, the renowned violinist, in the new Recital Hall, is underwritten by The Inland Real Estate Group, Inc. The broadcast next March is part of 98.7 WFMT's monthly Friday broadcasts of the NEIU Inaugural Concert Series.

The evening will celebrate the diversity that abounds at NEIU. A reception with passed hors d'oeuvres and open bar begins at 4:30 p.m. The cuisine of five continents represents the many cultures of students and faculty of the university. Specialty ethnic catering will be provided by Julie Mai's Le Bistro for Vietnamese fare and by Kasha's for Polish delights.

For personal and gift shopping, *A Global Vision* features a silent auction with art, travel, dining and more. Fur coats from Mysels Furs and watercolor prints by Tom Lynch will also be available for sale at discounts.

Adding to the international excitement is dancing by the Northwest Center for Polish Dancing and the Truc-Lam Lion Dance Troupe of the Vietnamese Buddhist Family Temple. The gala will conclude at 8:30 p.m. Parking is free in university lots accessible from Foster and Bryn Mawr Avenues.

Tickets are only \$150 per person, with \$75 being a tax deductible contribution. Your enjoyable evening will benefit many students. For more information, call Len Iaquina, director of Development and Alumni Affairs at (773) 794-3071.

- November 19 **NEIU Faculty Concert**
Michael Duggan, cello, with
Allen Anderson, piano
- December 17 **NEIU Faculty Concert -**
Classical Indian concert.
Lyon Leifer, flute and guest artists
Steven Bero, tambora
Yatindra Vaid, tabla
- January 21, 2000 **Sumi Jo**, soprano
- February 18 **Avalon Brass of Chicago**
Judith Saxton and Patrick Hung,
trumpets
Kathy McGowan, trombone
Christine Worthing-Petersen, horn
Alan Harvey, tuba
- March 17 **The Orion Ensemble**
In partnership with
Mostly Music, Inc.
- April 14 **NEIU Faculty Concert**
(tentative)
William Schutt, piano and
Charles Pikler, violin
- May 19 **NEIU Faculty Trio**
Allen Anderson, piano
Sylvia Myintoo, violin
Michael Duggan, cello

Philanthropic Naming Opportunities

Northeastern Illinois University's Fine Arts Complex gives arts enthusiasts many high profile opportunities for a naming gift which advances excellence, dissemination, audience development, innovation and teaching in the fine and performing arts.

The Fine Arts Complex consists of the new Fine Arts Center with its Recital Hall and Main Art Gallery, the Auditorium, and Stage Center. The Fine Arts Center building, the Recital Hall and the Auditorium are the most visible of the many facility naming opportunities.

The Fine Arts Center is gaining attention for its visually and acoustically attractive Recital Hall and its excellent facilities for art, dance, and music. The \$15 million project was designed by a team led by VOA Associates, Inc., and the general contractor was George Sollitt Construction Co.

NEIU's Fine Arts Complex presents individuals seeking opportunities for honoring or memorializing a loved one, mentor or colleague with many fine choices. Likewise, companies or foundations seeking association with excellence in the fine and performing arts may take advantage of naming and program underwriting opportunities.

The new Recital Hall presents an especially attractive possibility because of the attention it will receive through its performance schedule. For example, 98.7 WFMT will broadcast the monthly NEIU Inaugural Concert Series during the 1999-2000 academic year. The NEIU Foundation annual scholarship banquet, **A Global Vision**, on Sunday, September 26, 1999 will feature performances by acclaimed violinist Rachel Barton, which will be part of the broadcast series.

The nearby Auditorium will be remodeled over the coming year into a 500-seat performance hall, also with a direct connection to 98.7 WFMT.

Other features of the Fine Arts Center, all possibilities for naming, include:

- a double height central "street" which replaces the traditional hallway, provides a focus for the activities of the Center, and brings natural light into the core
- a two-story lobby that connects the new Main Art Gallery, Recital Hall and Auditorium
- 16 Wenger sound-isolated music practice rooms
- 10 general purpose classrooms
- two Technology Enhanced Classrooms, a music education lab, and a keyboard instruments lab
- studios for ceramics, computer graphics, dance, drawing, electronic music, figure modeling, instrumental music, jewelry, painting, photography, print making, sculpture, voice, and welding
- instrumental music rehearsal room and a music room
- faculty offices for art, dance, music, and speech

To explore naming possibilities that fit your interests and objectives, call Len Iaquinta, Office of Development, (773) 794-2555.

Alumni in the Spotlight, cont'd from page 3

An NEIU alumna recently received the coveted GOLDEN APPLE AWARD for excellence in teaching:

Dorothy Clarice Franklin
(B.A. '90 BOG)

Ms. Franklin is an English and Language Arts teacher for the seventh and eighth grades at Clinton Elementary School in Chicago and will soon complete her M.A. in Reading.

Four NEIU alumni in Chicago recently received the 1999 Outstanding Public School Administrator Award:

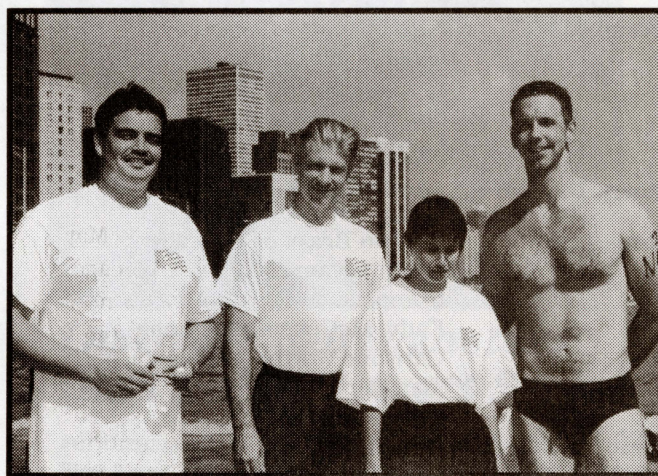
Lula Ford
(M.A. '74 Inner City Studies)
Chicago Public Schools'
Office of Leadership Development

John Jursa
(M.S. '71 Mathematics)
Prosser Career Academy

John Mazurek
(M.A. '77 Guidance and Counseling)
Casals Elementary School

JoAnn Percel
(M.A. '81 Learning Disabilities)
Courtenay Language Arts Center

An NEIU alumna was recently featured in a YMCA national advertising campaign:



Heidi Musser (B.A. '95, BOG)

Heidi was the first blind person ever to complete Chicago's two-mile swim competition. Heidi, who also competes in triathalons, uses her talents to promote the limitless opportunities that exist for blind people.

If you or someone you know belongs in our "Alumni in the Spotlight," please contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at (773) 794-2892 or by e-mail at alumni@neiu.edu

May Commencement



Tammy Beison (left) and her mother Judith Beison receive congratulations from President Salme H. Steinberg (center).

It's almost impossible to get a front row seat at your child's graduation ceremony. But not if you're also a graduate!

Judith Beison earned her bachelor's degree from the University Without Walls program, while her daughter Tammy earned her bachelor's in Sociology at the May 16 ceremony.

Both mother and daughter were featured in a May 26 article in the *Lerner Newspaper* in Chicago. The mother-daughter team plan to start a non-profit business providing low income housing.

Judith currently directs the Housing Development Training Institute of the Chicago Rehab Network. Her daughter, Tammy, is an accountant for a real estate agency.

When asked what it was like to attend classes and graduate with her mom, Tammy replied, "I think she added (to my college life), because I had a study partner when we took classes together."

Congratulations 1998-1999 Class Gift Participants!

The following alumni who graduated in August and December 1998, and May 1999, made gifts and pledges totaling over \$12,000 to establish a scholarship and book waiver fund. In only three years, the program has amassed over \$40,000 in pledges and gifts. We salute these new donors for their loyalty and vision. Their generosity will assure a better future for generations of students.

If you are a 1996-1999 graduate who has not participated, it's not too late to make your contribution. Please contact Lisa Cooper in the Office of Alumni Affairs at (773) 794-6568 or by e-mail at LD-Cooper@neiu.edu.

Bertha Adams-Lee
Shanele Andrews
Kathleen Ansenberger
Barbara Appell
Letisia Avila
E.H. Behr
Sherilyn Bell
William Bennett
Danica Benson
Bill Bertucci
Jane Bickel
Darrell Bogan
Melissa Braun
Angela Brown
Dwayne Brown
Dimitra Bullens
Linda Brusky
Charlotte Cager
Linda Capasso
Danielle Carnahan
Vicente Castro
Tambra Chadwell
MiWha Choo
Lisa Cooper
Johnnie Cravens, Jr.
Dalia Cruz-Prusca
Symantha Culbertson
Paul Curtin
Mike Daniels
Veronica Davis
Angela Demma
Nancy Demuro
Victoria Dickens
Kimberly Dixon
Christina Emmerich
Heather Farquharson
Olga Florian-Mest
Beryl Foster
Helen Franz
Halina Fujja
Marian Genovese
Teresa Grosso
Alana Halsne
Elie Hanna
Chris Hanson
Jeffery Hart
Lesley Heidrich
Marcia Hood
Michele Jamerson
Lillian Johnson
Dana Kantor
Janine Katonah
Chunghee Kim
Geraldyn Kipta
Myrna Kirshenbaum
Laura Koutavas
Kimberly Kuhns
Georgia Lambropoulos
Laura Levert

William Levitt
Valerie Lewis
Jordan Light
Lillian Longoria
James Mager
Nghia Mai
Jennifer Malarski
Dawn Malatia
Israr Malik
Francisco Marchan
Alma Martinez
Jalal Masiti
Sonya McBride
Roosevelt McCloud
Phyllis Meutink
Hemali Modi
Marie Montecinos-Vargas
Raymond Montes
Mariel Morales
Edward Mould
Kyung Mukoyama
Jerome Neja
Sandra Nordquist
Donna Oberhardt
Bill Panousis
Jiju Peter
Natalie Piekos
Adeline Pierre
Dalia Prusa
Lydia Quiles
Jamil Qureshi
Dawna Ratti
Jeffrey Reiss
Rebecca D. Reitz
Mark Repplinger
Alicia Respeto
Kimberly Reuter
Kurt Ritner
Marlene Rivera
Marlen Ruiz
Betty Sarata
Linda Sayers
Carmela Scavone
Melissa Schwartz
Lorena Silva-Bahena
Alan Singer
Clara Solano
Susan Solak
Francine Taylor
Jon Teuber
Ty Tim
Laura Tye
Kim Victorine
Yolani Villanueva
Kimberly Williams
Jesse Wilson
Audrey Woodard
Corey Yasutake
Conrad Zaguirre

Class Notes

1966

Jerome Yanoff (B.A. Gen. Ed., M.A. '77 Behavior Disorders) is adjunct professor of special education at National Louis University and has a new book, *The Classroom Teacher's Trouble-Shooting Handbook*, published by A. Coyle Press.

1968

Eileen Brusso (B.A. Art) is an occupational therapist certified in hand therapy at Swedish Covenant Hospital in Chicago.

1969

Nicholas Cannella (B.A. Sec. Ed., Geography) is a business representative for the Chicago Teachers Union after having taught at John Hamlin Elementary School in Chicago for over 20 years.

1970

Bruce Brown, Ph.D. (B.A. Psychology, M.A. '76 and '85) is the principal of Lincoln Hall Middle School in Lincolnwood. He was awarded his doctorate in Educational Administration from Northern Illinois University in August 1998. The title of the dissertation was "An Analysis of the Perceived Effectiveness of a School Based Management Model by Key School and Community Stakeholders."

Julio Cruz (B.A. Sec. Ed., Spanish) is principal of Lowell Elementary School in Chicago.

Harriet Rubinstein (M.A. Mental Handicaps) is the chairperson of the Joint Commission on Aging for the Village of Buffalo Grove and the Park District of Buffalo Grove.

1971

Robert Gorg (B.A. Speech) is a speech communications instructor at Spoon River College and received the 1998 prestigious Distinguished Faculty Award.

Donna (Barnes) Prepejchal (B.A. Art Ed.) is secretary of the board of the 99 Plus Foundation, Downers Grove, District 99.

1972

Christopher Banakis (B.A. Speech) is vice president and director of Mobile Data Business Management at Motorola, Inc.

David Helfand (B.A. Mathematics) has had the second edition of his book, *Career Change: Everything You Need to Know to Meet New Challenges and Take Control of Your Career*, published by VGM Career Horizons, a division of NTC/Contemporary Publishing Group. David is a counselor in NEIU's Counseling Office.

Jerry F. Miceli (B.A. Economics) was appointed president of Western Springs National Bank and Trust Company.

1973

William Chambers (B.A. Art) works through an agent to accept portrait commissions. Former Illinois Governor James Thompson's official portrait by William hangs in the State Capitol in Springfield. William's portrait of former Governor Jim Edgar will soon join it.

Dale Crawford (M.A. English Literature) is interim superintendent of Proviso Township High Schools District 209.

Katherine Frontier (B.A. Early Childhood Ed., M.A. '78 Guidance and Counseling) is a preschool teacher at Grand Avenue Preschool in Western Springs and was named a finalist for the 1999 Legacy Award.

Thomas K. Mirabile, Ph.D. (M.A. Inner City Studies) was recently featured as a speaker with Zhang Haoruo, minister of the state reform commission of the Peoples Republic of China at the Western Pacific Institute. Tom serves on the faculty of the University of St. Francis and currently is a visiting faculty member at DePaul University.

Kimberly Siprut (B.A. English Literature, M.A. '77 Reading) is a teacher at St. Emily Catholic School in Mount Prospect. She received the 1998 Distinguished Teacher Award from the National Catholic Educational Association.

1974

Marlene (Molay) Brown (B.A. English Literature) is a yoga instructor, a sales associate at Murphy's Health Foods in Libertyville, a free-lance writer, a Reiki therapist and is in a doctoral program to be a holistic practitioner.

Pamela McDonough (B.A. French) is president of McDonough Consulting in Chicago and Springfield. She also chairs the Illinois Women's Business Ownership Council.

Richard Lindberg (B.A. History, M.A. '87 History) has published nine books dealing with aspects of Chicago history, politics, criminal justice, sports and ethnicity. His most recent book, *Return to the Scene of the Crime: A Guide to Infamous Places in Chicago* was published last spring. In recognition of his work, he was named to *Who's Who in America* for 2000. Richard was also an honoree at the 1997 NEIU Foundation

Scholarship Banquet. Currently he is president of The Society of Midland Authors.

John Miaso (B.A. Political Science) is president of Alpha Appraisal Services, Inc. and was presented with The Appraisal Institute of Chicago's Herman O. Walther Award for outstanding service provided to both the Chicago chapter and the appraisal profession. John is a minister of hospitality and a third degree member of the Knights of Columbus at Resurrection Catholic Church.

William Miceli (M.A. History) was selected and honored as a winner of the 1999 Kathy Osterman Award for outstanding metropolitan area government employees for diligence, superior performance and achievements in service to the public. William is a programmer and teacher at Jones Academic Magnet High School.

1975

Barbara Gordon (B.A. UWW) was named Most Influential African American of Lake County for 1999 by the People's Resource Council, a not-for-profit arm of the *People's Voice Newsletter*. She heads the largest independent social service agency in Lake County, the Community Action Project.

Miriam Rivera (B.A. Spanish, M.A. '92 Community College Adm.) was elected president of the Illinois Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers at their recent annual conference. Miriam is the director of Admissions and Records at NEIU.

1976

A. Alyce Claerbaut (M.A. Reading) is assistant to the vice president for Student Affairs/Public Affairs at NEIU and had been coordinator of Student Outreach and External Affairs in the Dean of Students Office.

Gregg Ostro (B.A. Sec. Ed., Speech) is president, executive producer and founder of tugo Media Companies in Arizona.

1977

Martin Bussert (B.A. Speech) is vice president of Finance and Administration at the Heidenhain Corporation and recently directed a production of *Princess Ida* for the Park Ridge Gilbert & Sullivan Society.

Terese Kozlowski (B.A. Speech) is partner at Computer Sciences Corporation Consulting in Oak Brook.

1978

Henry Cardenas (B.A. Social Work, M.B.A.'80) is president of Cardenas Fernandez & Associates of Chicago, one of the nation's largest Hispanic special events organizers, promoting festivals, sports events and concert tours.

Judy Macior (B.A. Psychology) is compliance manager at Experian AIS (a division of TRW) in Schaumburg.

Chester Sutton (B.A. Computer Science) works for Commonwealth Edison's Personnel Office and assists our Placement Office in finding jobs for students and alumni.

1979

Dolora (Jung) Batchelor (B.S. Earth Science) is a nature photographer and works at Miami MetroZoo in the African section.

Susan Doyle (M.A. Linguistics) is director of Institutional Studies and Planning at NEIU and had been coordinator of the Assessment and Testing Center since 1996.

1980

Sunny Abello (B.A. Special Ed., Learning Disabilities) is the executive director of Institutional Advancement at Waubesa Community College in Illinois.

Robert Reckers (B.S. Computer Science, Art) operates Salt Creek Pottery in Elmhurst and exhibited his ceramic pottery at Elmhurst's Fine Art Fair in Wilder Park. His work is represented in several galleries in the Chicago area. He also teaches pottery classes.

1981

Armando Marquez (B.S. Biology) is assistant professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Joan Wren (M.A. Behavior Disorders) is the vice president of Administration of Hudson Screw Machine Products Company in Broadview, and recently joined the board of the Tooling and Manufacturing Association.

Bernard Zeller (B.S. Computer Science) tutors new students in Hebrew Studies in Chicago.

1982

Gardenia Hung (B.A. Sec. Ed., French and Spanish) is a communications consultant at Communications, Languages & Culture, Inc. Her firm translates English, Spanish, French and Portuguese into English.

Sharon Regan (B.A. UWW) graduated from The Divinity School of Harvard University with a Master of Theological Studies in June, 1998.

1983

Brigitte Bosacki (B.A. Criminal Justice, Bus. and Mgmt.) is an independent Longabenger consultant, a crafter at My Mom and Co. in Libertyville, and helps out at Fairhaven Pharmacy, a family-owned business. She has been a Girl Scout Leader for four years.

Naomi Mostyn (B.A. Computer Science) is a vice president in the Trust Applications Division in the Systems Group of The Northern Trust Company of Chicago.

Lisa Ann Schreier (B.A. Bus. and Mgmt.) heads her own freelance advertising company in addition to being advertising manager at Summer Bay Resort.

1984

A. Bastani, M.D. (B.S. Biology) recently purchased his medical practice, located in East Edgewater, from Saint Joseph Hospital in Chicago. Dr. Bastani specializes in family medicine. He is a founding board member of Health for Humanity, which provides health care and socioeconomic development consultation to developing countries and inner city communities.

Darlene Blackburn (B.A. Sec. Ed., Physical Ed.) was awarded the 1999 Phenomenal Woman Award for Dance at Today's Black Woman Gala in March, 1999. Darlene was an honoree at the 1998 NEIU Foundation Scholarship Banquet.

1985

Constance Colin (B.A. UWW) was appointed director of the Family Support Services Division of the Chicago Department of Human Services.

Lillian De Gand (B.A. Elem. Ed., Early Childhood Ed.) was named the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Volunteer of the Month for February.

Ronald Kapustka (B.S. General Bus. Admin.) has been named a partner at Kovitz, Shifrin & Waitzman of Buffalo Grove. Ron's practice covers the areas of civil litigation, corporate law, real estate tax reduction and homeowners' law.

Fabio Naranjo (B.A. Political Science) was named program officer in the Program on Human and Community Development of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation.

1986

Frank Davis (B.A. Psychology, Business) is director of the Lindenhurst Early Childhood Center. His community volunteer leadership benefits the Winchester House in Libertyville, the Muscular Dystrophy Association, and the Save the Children Foundation, among others.

1987

Sandra Beierwaltes (B.A. Elem. Ed., Teacher Ed., Early Childhood Ed.) is in her 12th year of teaching at St. John Brebeuf School in Niles.

Donna Joy (M.A. Admin. and Supervision, General Adm. Certificate) is the Bensenville District 2 Board of Education Superintendent of Schools.

Frederick Kronk (M.S. Exercise Science and Cardiac Rehab.) works at the Gold Coast Multiplex and won the 1998 IHSA/Cybex Fitness Director of the Year Award.

Nancy Kuglin (B.A. Early Childhood, Special Ed.) works for the South Holland based organization Exceptional Children Have Opportunities (ECHO). She works with infants and toddlers with hearing problems and also is a storyteller on several of Metra's special Santa Claus trains on the Rock Island District commuter line.

Lee Ann Wach (B.A. Social Work) teaches at the Ready Teddy Preschool for the Community Park District of LaGrange Park and was named a finalist for the 1999 Legacy Awards.

1988

Dr. Kelly Baird, Ph.D. (M.A. Ed. Admin. and Supervision) is principal of Wauconda Middle School.

Frances Metzger (B.A., M.A.'96 Geography and Environmental Studies) is an environmental inspector for the Lake County Department of Planning and Development.

1989

Bernadette Casey (B.S. Marketing) is a quality assurance engineer for Cellular One in Schaumburg.

Mark Glochowski (B.A. Accounting, M.B.A.'96) is accounting manager at Gerber Plumbing Fixtures Corporation in Chicago.

1990

Lisa D. Cooper (B.S. Marketing, M.B.A.'99) is director of Alumni Affairs at NEIU. Lisa recently completed the Certificate of Excellence in Nonprofit Leadership and Management sponsored by United Way and the Learning Institute for Nonprofit Organizations.

Karen Ijams (M.A. Speech) is assistant professor of Speech and Performing Arts at NEIU.

Kenneth Poulos (B.A. Marketing) is working for Groigor Mechanical in Yorkville and pursuing his M.B.A. at Purdue University.

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Jeffery Siddall (M.A. Reading) is assistant professor, Teacher Education at NEIU and has been adjunct instructor at National Louis University and a reading specialist in Downers Grove School District 58.

1991

Jon Feller (B.A. Music) teaches violin and viola to beginning and advanced students at The Music School of the Illinois Valley Youth Symphony.

Gabriella Filippi (M.S. Exercise Science & Cardiac Rehab.) is the owner of Exercise Prescription and is a personal trainer in St. Charles.

Marilyn Glazer (B.A. BOG) was named 1999 Realtor of the Year by the Illinois Association of Realtors. She is also adjunct faculty in real estate at Oakton Community College, and, in that capacity, was named 1998 Educator of the Year by the Association of Illinois Real Estate Educators.

Mary Sommers (B.A. UWW) is co-director of Nurse-Midwifery Services at Alivio Medical Center in Chicago.

Holly Sorensen (B.A. BOG) has joined the Des Plaines Public Library as head of the Adult Services Department.

Dolly Tong (B.A. Environmental Studies) is an environmental health scientist with the Environmental Protection Agency.

1992

Lori Blohm (B.A. Management) is corporate benefits assistant at Sonnenschein, Nath and Rosenthal, a law firm located in Chicago's Sears Tower.

Esme Raji Codell (B.A. Teacher Ed.) is the author of *Educating Esme, Diary of a Teacher's First Year*. This account of a young teacher's experiences in a Chicago public school was published by Algonquin Books and featured in the *Chicago Tribune's* book review column in June 1999. She also has a web site with information for teachers and children's stories.

Michael Garelli (B.S. Accounting) is position director for Account Temps in Hoffman Estates.

Steven Horton (M.A. Political Science, Public Admin.) is the director of Public Safety at Northeastern Illinois University.

Colleen White (B.A. Elem. Ed., Teacher Ed.) is principal of Washington Elementary School in Elgin.

1993

Karen Brenner (B.A. BOG, M.A. '96 English) is the director of the Alexander Graham Bell Montessori School in Mount Prospect.

Marcus Casady (B.S. Finance) is a loan representative in business banking in the Skokie office of LaSalle Bank.

Irene Flebbe (B.A. Environmental Studies) is a naturalist for the Cook County Forest Preserve District and has spoken before the Worth Township Senior Citizens Organization.

John Hunter Giles (M.A. Geography and Environmental Studies) was chosen to receive the Distinguished Teaching Achievement Award from the National Council for Geographic Studies. Jack is a teacher at Carl Schurz High School in Chicago.

Javier Medina (B.A. Criminal Justice) is a pilot for American Eagle Airlines based at Chicago's O'Hare Airport.

1994

Aiman Beg (B.S. Accounting) is a systems officer in the Corporate Technology, Planning and Governance Department at BancOne in Chicago.

Joan Bozeman (B.A. UWW, M.A. '99) is personnel manager at the University of Chicago.

Michael Robert Ellek (B.S. Management) uses fiberoptic topology at MFS Telecom in Northbrook as a Node Technician.

Mark Henschel (M.S. Mathematics) is associate professor of Math and Engineering at Harold Washington College in Chicago.

John Jacob (B.A. Criminal Justice) is a Coast Guard Petty Officer 2nd Class and participated in a multinational exercise named Operation Foal Eagle, the largest joint military exercise conducted in the Republic of Korea, while assigned to the U.S. Coast Guard Port Security Unit 309 at Port Clinton, Ohio.

David Jordan (B.S. Accounting) is working at Ernst & Young LLP in Chicago.

Robert Jordan (M.A. Speech) received a doctorate in education with a minor in ethics from Loyola University. Bob is an anchor and reporter at WGN-TV Channel 9 in Chicago. He recently narrated a student recruitment video for NEIU.

Melissa Strauss (B.A. English, M.A. '96 English) is "close to completing" her doctorate at Marquette University. She credits her success to NEIU Department of English

professors, Dr. Timothy H. Scherman, Dr. Donald L. Hoffman and Dr. C. Jeriel Howard, as well as Dr. Vicki Byard, Associate Professor, English and Women's Studies.

1995

David Haugh (B.S. Finance) is process manager and finance officer in the Strategic Sourcing Group at BankOne in Chicago.

Robert Irons (M.B.A.) is financial advisor with Loyola University at the Medical Center campus in Maywood.

Katrine Poe (M.A. English) is a doctoral student in English Literature at Loyola University. Her essay was published in the anthology, *Nancy Drew and Company: Culture, Gender, and Girls' Series*, edited by Sherrie A. Inness. She is working on aspects of feminism in girls' series fiction. She credits her success to NEIU Department of English professors, Dr. Timothy H. Scherman, Dr. Donald L. Hoffman, and Dr. C. Jeriel Howard, as well as Dr. Vicki Byard, Associate Professor, English and Women's Studies.

David Rubins (B.S. Computer Science) is a product manager for a hi-tech company in Jerusalem, Israel.

Peter Schaak (B.A. Finance) is a mortgage broker with American Mortgage and Financial Services, Inc. in Park Ridge.

Alexander Shestakov (M.E.D.) recently concluded a multi-million dollar sale of meat processing equipment to Russia on behalf of his employer, Cozzini, Inc.

Barbara Stelman (B.A. BOG) was inducted into two honor societies: Omicron Delta Epsilon (for economics) and Beta Gamma Sigma (for business). She also won a competitive scholarship from the Texas Business Hall of Fame to help with continuing studies.

1996

Jeannie Jia Cai (M.B.A.) is the assistant to the vice president for New Business at Success National Bank in Lincolnwood.

Kevin Glogovsky (B.S. General Bus. Admin.) was chosen Agent of the Month, January 1999, for the North Lake Agency of Country Companies.

Marlene Grossman (M.S. Physical Ed. and Cardiac Rehabilitation) is an exercise physiologist at Highland Park Hospital Health and Fitness Center.

Celeste Hall (B.A. Special Ed., Learning Disabilities and Mental Handicaps) is head of the Modified Instructional Program at Ben Franklin Elementary School

in Glen Ellyn.

Diane Mosley (B.A. BOG, HR Development, M.A. '98 HR) is a travel consultant in the Outside Sales Department of The Travel Store, Inc. in Chicago.

David Shaol (B.A. Special Ed., Learning and Behavior Disorders) teaches freshman and sophomore English for students with learning disabilities in the Special Education Department of Wauconda High School.

Craig Thompson (B.A. Bus. Admin.) is senior consultant at David Gomez & Associates in Chicago, an executive search firm for the information technology arena.

Melanie White (B.S. Marketing) is an account representative at DonTech-Ameritech in Chicago.

Kenneth Zingrebe (B.A. Special Ed., Learning and Behavior Disorders) teaches world and U.S. history and biology in the Special Education Department of Wauconda High School.

1997

Dawn Haesler (B.A. Early Childhood Ed.) is a third grade teacher at St. Mary Catholic School in Yorkville.

Kwang Kye (B.S. Computer Science) was awarded a \$7,500 Illinois State Library Training Grant for graduate studies in library science by former Secretary of State and State Librarian, now Governor, George H. Ryan. He is enrolled in the Master of Library Science degree program at the University of Illinois.

Hal Lunsford (B.A. Secondary Ed., Physical Ed.) is full-time substitute teacher, head wrestling coach and assistant track and field coach at Zion-Benton High School.

Frances Mitilineos (M.A. History) received both a tuition scholarship and graduate assistantship in the graduate program of History at Loyola University Chicago.

Bobbie Roubos (B.S. Accounting) works as an accounting specialist at GE Capital in Barrington.

Diane Scoma (M.A. Community College Admin.) is coordinator of Information Services and Internships in NEIU's Placement Office.

1998

Noelle Brush (B.A. Elem. Ed.) is an Early Learning Teacher and Stage 2 Science Teacher at the Science and Arts Academy of Des Plaines a school for gifted children.

Joseph Conway (BA Sec. Ed., Physical

Ed.) is the Physical Welfare/Co-Curriculars Instructor in the physical education department at Lyons Township High School.

Stephen Katz (M.A. Learning Disabilities) is assistant professor in NEIU's Ronald Williams Library and has been Curriculum Coordinator of Esperanza Community Services of Chicago.

Kelly Lublow (B.S. Management) is in the marketing department of FirstCard, a subsidiary of BankOne in Chicago.

Christine Lyman (B.A. Teacher Ed.) is employed by School District 87 in Northlake.

Jack Mayer (B.S. Management) is a sales representative at Molex near Lisle.

Domarina Oshana (B.A. Psychology) received the Lincoln Academy Student Laureate Award at a special ceremony held at the Illinois House of Representatives in Springfield.

David Pawlaski (B.S. Management) is a sales representative for Fradimar, a family-owned business.

Cesar Rivera (B.S. Management) is a student at Chicago Kent College of Law.

Jason Stobbe (B.A. Sec. Ed., Physical Ed.) is teaching physical education at Wauconda grade and high schools. He is also endorsed to teach social service, language arts, psychology, sociology and speech and he coaches freshman volleyball.

Ann Tenschert (B.S. Finance) is assistant portfolio manager for the Illinois Housing Development Authority.

In Memoriam

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families and friends of the following members of the NEIU community. Deaths are published as soon as possible after the Alumni Office is notified.

1989

Harold Mance
(M.A. '69 ICS, M.A. '72 Pol. Sci.)

1990

Ronald Talbert
(B.A. '85 UWW)

1992

J. R. Heinz
(B.A. '79 Music)

James H. Hobson, Jr.
(B.A. '88 BOG)

1994

Ray Austin
(B.A. '75 Speech)

1996

Raymond A. Calvey
(M.A. '85 History)

James M. Kehl
(B.S. '84 Marketing)

1997

Ann Cahn
(B.A. '89 Reading)

Janice M. Washington
(M.A. '79 Guidance and Counseling)

1998

Sherry L. Ballinder
(M.E.D. '73 Mathematics)

Thomas Brinati
(B.A. '74 Political Science)

Sandra Marie Dymitrowicz
(B.A. '98 Social Work)

John R. Nelson
(B.A. '83 Sec. Ed., History)

Steve Hammond
(M.A. '85 Behavior Dis.)

Allan Ogdon
(M.A. '69 Mathematics)

Alexander Rinaldi
(B.A. '74 Special Education)

Pamela Stocking
(M.A. '84 Learning Dis.)

Beverly E. Tierney
(B.A. '83 English)

Anthony Trofimuk
(M.A. '94 Behavior Dis.)

Belkys Victores
(B.A. '90 Bilingual/Bicultural, Spanish)

Professor Emerita **Marcella Krueger** died at age 90. She earned an M.A. from Columbia University. Mrs. Krueger earned her M.A. in elementary education from the Chicago Teacher's College. She taught library science, educational methods and supervised practice teachers at Chicago Teachers College, Illinois Teachers College and Northeastern Illinois State College from 1955-1975. She was chair of various departments, active in various clubs and committees, and active in education associations at the local, state, and international levels.

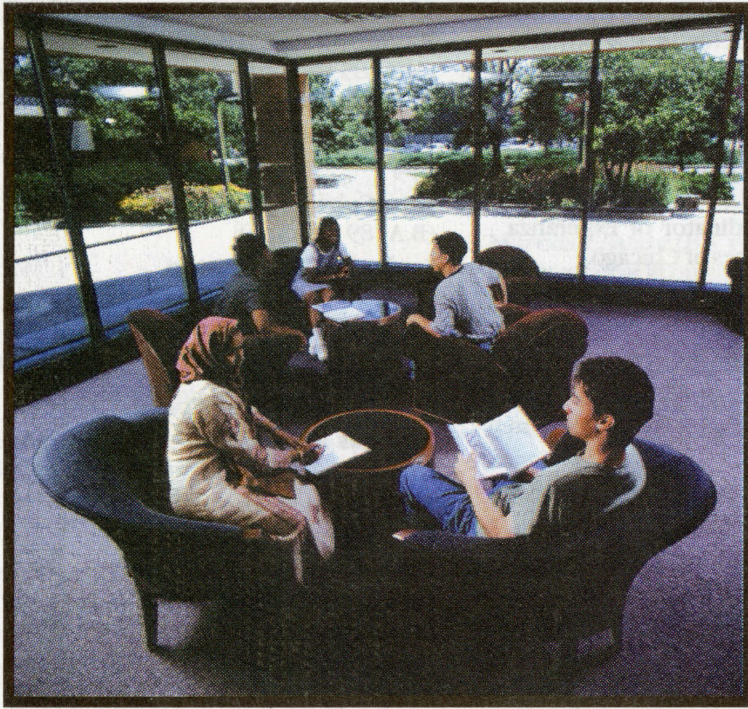
1999

Benjamin Daniel
(M.A. '73 English)

Judith N. Robinson
(B.A. '69 Linguistics)

Ruth W. Scott
(BED '63, MA '69 Guidance)

Professor Emerita **Elizabeth M. Langley**, Ph.D., earned her doctorate in guidance and counseling at Loyola University, Chicago in 1965. She retired in 1987 from NEIU as associate dean of the Graduate College after 16 years of service.



Student Facility Renovated

The newly renovated Student Union, formerly known as the Commuter Center, opened in August. The Union features a Reading Lounge (pictured left), two new conference rooms in addition to the previous five, and an enhanced cafeteria. Improved lighting and a modern design create an open, warm ambiance. Many events of special interest to NEIU alumni and friends will be in the Student Union during 1999-2000, including **A Global Vision**, the NEIU Foundation Scholarship Banquet, on Sunday, September 26, 1999, and the Alumni Day Celebration on Saturday, April 8, 2000. (See center section for more information.)

Join Study Tour to Europe The Divine and Demonic in Central Europe

- Trip Dates:** Departs March 18 and returns April 1, 2000
- Cities Included:** Munich, Salzburg, Weimar, Dresden, Leipzig, Prague, Krakow, Warsaw and Berlin.
- Tour Guides:** Don Bulucos, Professor of Art; Charles Barber, Professor of History
Lidia Filus, Acting Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
- Estimated Cost:** \$3,000 per person for alumni and friends of Northeastern

Celebrate spring with a trip to Europe! Reservations are now being accepted for students, alumni and friends of Northeastern to join this special educational tour. Cost includes airfare, lodging, two meals a day, group transportation and applicable admission fees.

NEIU professors will guide the group through historical sites of the divine, such as Mozart's Salzburg, Chopin's Warsaw, Wagner's Bayreuth, and of the demonic, such as Hitler's Dachau and Auschwitz. Travelers will have opportunities to attend world class symphonies, operas, cabarets and concerts.

In the spring 2000 semester, several courses will be offered in association with this tour. Tour participants are welcome to take these courses for credit or to sit in as community listeners.

The application deadline is October 15, 1999. For an application or other information, please contact Rubee Fuller, Office of International Programs, NEIU, 5500 N. St. Louis Avenue, Chicago, IL 60625. Telephone (773) 794-6651. e-mail: R-Fuller@neiu.edu

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