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Winners of the St. Valentine's Day Raffle: Vickie Hathaway, Diane Perhats, Stan Ryberg and Duane Sell, with Director of Development Ray Devery, who presented the prizes

Valentine's Day Raffle Winners

The first-prize winner in the annual Valentine's Day Raffle, sponsored by the Development Office for the Harper College Educational Foundation Annual Campaign Fund, was Chemistry Professor Duane Sell, who won a first-class round trip for two to Hawaii. Stan Ryberg, Vickie Hathaway, and Diane Perhats all won weekend packages at area hotels. Molly Waite received flowers. Congratulations to the winners, and thanks to all who contributed to the fund.

Wellness Week at Harper, April 19-21

Our society has become increasingly health conscious in recent years. Many of the best-selling books deal with preventing illness, but wellness means more than the absence of disease. It signifies a state of being that includes a healthy body, mind and spirit.

At the fourth annual Harper College Wellness Week, all these aspects of good health will be addressed and presented in understandable language. Seminars and workshops will explore subjects such as exercise, diet, physical handicaps and chemical dependencies. Topics related to emotional health, including sexuality, dream interpretation and laughter, will be discussed. Timely concerns such as sexually transmitted diseases, hypnosis, and midlife crisis will be among the lineup of offerings.

An important event in the Wellness Week schedule is the 15th annual Health Fair, to be held in the Student Center, Building A, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Wednesday, April 20. The fair will feature exhibits, informational materials and free health services provided by more than 50 governmental and health organizations and various departments of the College. Free services include vision screening, glaucoma and hearing testing, body fat calculation and blood pressure screening. Representatives from a number of area medical centers and clinics will be at the fair to provide information about available services. There will also be counseling and information on dental care, nutrition, fitness and crime prevention.

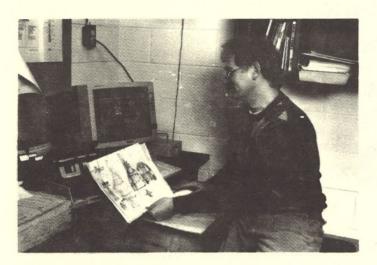
All Wellness Week activities are open to the public at no charge, except for the April 19 breakfast meeting, which costs \$3.50 and requires a reservation by April 15. For information call extension 2340 or 2268. Wellness Week is made possible by generous financial support from The Prudential Insurance Company of America.

Harper Excursions to Italy and Australia

A 15-day study tour will explore the magnificent art and architecture of Italy June 15-29. Harper Art Professor Charlotte (Rusty) Herzog will conduct tour participants through Venice, Mantua, Florence, Rome, the Vatican, Naples and Pompeii. Special emphasis will be placed on recently restored treasures such as Michelangelo's frescoes on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. The cost of approximately \$2,400 includes pretour lectures, airfare, first-class hotel accommodations, ground transportation, guided sightseeing tours, admission fees, and tour materials. Undergraduate and graduate credit may be earned through Harper College and Western Illinois University. For further information contact Rusty Herzog at extension 2365.

Harper is also sponsoring a 17-day tour of Australia and New Zealand June 16-July 2. Included in the itinerary are the Great Barrier Reef, the Snowy Mountains, Mt. Cook, Milford Sound, Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Cairns, Queenstown, and Christchurch. The cost of \$2,998 covers airfare, ground transportation, guided tours, first-class hotels, breakfast, and most dinners. The tour is open to the community, and up to three credits in Humanities 115 may be earned. For more information and brochures contact the Liberal Arts Division at extension 2285.

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Insider's View of Mike Brown

Mike Brown hails from Yorkshire, the picturesque area of England where All Creatures Great and Small was filmed. His family came to North America when he was 13, settling first in Canada and then on Long Island, New York, where Mike graduated from high school. He went right into professional theatre the summer he finished high school, designing and building sets at the rate of a play a week.

Mike earned his baccalaureate degree at the State University of New York in Buffalo and then taught for three years in the public schools in Stony Brook before going to the Rhode Island School of Design for his master's degree. In 1971, fresh out of graduate school, Mike came to Harper, where he teaches

sculpture, design, ceramics and stagecraft.

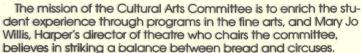
A few years ago Mike became interested in using the computer to design sets for the Harper theatre productions. He specifically wanted a setup that used existing programs rather than one that required the artist to write new ones. The Amiga, with DeluxePaint, Aegis Images and Kurta Mouse Pen, turned out to be the answer. If you saw Mike's sets for *The Miss Fire-cracker Contest*, about which Mike wrote an article for *Amiga World* (December '87), then you have an idea of his virtuosity and the possibilities opened up by the computer. If not, you'll have a chance to see his work in the upcoming production of *Gypsy*, which opens on March 18.

Mike designs two shows a year for Harper. Each one takes eight weeks, with the last three weeks monopolizing his time seven days a week. When I visited him in his workshop he had a group of students, including his daughter, hard at work building scenery. His parents were there too, having come down from their home in Michigan so that his mother could sew the banners, curtains and other fabric components of the sets.

So many students have wanted to study computer graphics with Mike that he and Ken Dahlberg have developed the Computer Graphics studio, complete with a lab featuring 16 new Amiga 2000 computers. The three-credit course, which will be offered for the first time next fall, is open to art students who have completed Drawing II and Design I.

Mike lives in Arlington Heights with his wife Lynda, daughter Tanya and son Joshua. His hobbies are gardening and sailing.

From the Chair



"Numbers are not the issue," she explains. The criterion for selecting a particular artist or event is not always how large a crowd it will draw or how much money it will make. Budgetary matters are a responsibility of the committee, and although the cultural programs are not designed to be money makers, the members try to avoid losing their maroon and gold shirts.

"This is a very rewarding committee to serve on," says Willis. There is satisfaction in participating in the cultural life of the community and in determining what kind of events will be presented at the College. Although individual members of the committee often specialize in one area, they work together to achieve a balance between dance, drama, music, art and film.

Committee members include faculty and students from the art and music departments, as well as two other faculty members, two students from the College Center Program Board, the theatre faculty advisor, and three ex officio members from the Student Activities staff: the director, the coordinator and the theatre manager.

Each semester the committee plans three or four lectures, a couple of major concerts, a film series, mini-concerts featuring faculty and local artists, art exhibits, and a major theatre production. All these events are publicized in brochures and schedules prepared by members of the committee. They are now working on the idea of a major concert series like those offered in the downtown theatres.

Among the frustrations of serving on the Cultural Arts Committee is seeing poor attendance at events of merit, and the members of the committee have discussed ways to encourage students and people from the community to attend programs and exhibitions by artists whose names may not be household words. Committee members do not shy away from an occasional controversial event because, like Willis, they believe that they have a responsibility to present provocative art. "Art should sometimes disturb," she says philosophically.

Fine Arts

Harper's distinguished faculty in the fine arts offers quality instruction in both practical skills and theoretical concepts. The art curriculum, for example, includes courses in drawing, design, printmaking, painting, stagecraft, ceramics, and sculpture, as well as art history. These college credit courses are designed for transfer students, but most of these same subjects are also offered through continuing education evening classes.

The Music Department offers classes in music theory and ear training, music appreciation, and American music. Private lessons in piano, organ, voice, guitar, and all major band and orchestral instruments are taught by professional players. Both music majors and students who simply wish to continue their involvement with music may participate in vocal and instrumental ensembles such as choir, band, orchestra, jazz band, guitar ensemble, and Camerata, a vocal chamber music group. The popular steel drum band has performed at Harper and at local events, such as the summer "Taste of Palatine." Some ensembles, such as the Community Festival Chorus and the Harper Symphony Orchestra, are open to members of the community. Continuing education courses include music classes for preschool children, preparatory piano, private lessons, and the Harper College Handbell Choir.



Music professors Cathy Albergo, Bob Tillotson, Stan Ryberg and Tom Stauch

The two departments share an office at C216, amidst exhibit areas and music practice rooms, where secretary Pat Paulford helps faculty members with projects ranging from art exhibitions to auditions. Bob Tillotson, who chairs the Music Department, teaches rudiments of music and clarinet. Stan Ryberg instructs students in music theory and ear training, and Cathy Albergo teaches piano, both privately and in classes. In addition, she has coordinated two teleconferences for area piano instructors, enabling them to participate in a nationwide discussion of studio teaching. Tom Stauch directs the Harper College Concert Choir and Camerata and teaches American music and voice. He has twice taken Harper singers on concert tours of Europe.



Chairmen John Knudsen and Bob Tillotson with department secretary Pat Paulford

The art faculty is chaired by John Knudsen, who teaches printmaking. Since he established it 12 years ago, John has been the organizer of the annual Illinois Print and Drawing Show, which is on display at Harper during the entire month of March. Mike Brown, who teaches sculpture and stagecraft, also designs the marvelous sets we applaud at Harper theatre productions. Ben Dallas teaches art history and drawing and was one of the first faculty members selected to teach in London under the International Studies Program. Jack Tippens teaches drawing, design, and painting, and Ken Dahlberg teaches design and drawing. In addition to coordinating Harper tours abroad, Rusty Herzog teaches art history and humanities, film and drawing.

The Music and Art Departments work closely with the Cultural Arts Committee to plan programs and exhibits to entertain and enlighten the College community. Some recent events include a piano recital by Ian Hobson, conductor of the English Chamber Orchestra; the Chestnut Brass performing on historical and modern wind instruments; and the sixth annual High School Art Show, an exhibit of some 600 works of art by area high school students. In addition, the Music Department sponsors a monthly mini-concert at noon on the last Thursday of the month.



Art professors John Knudsen, Mike Brown, Jack Tippens and Ken Dahlberg

Upcoming events include concerts by the Harper Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Frank Winkler; the Harper College Concert Choir, directed by Tom Stauch; the Harper Community/Festival Chorus, under the baton of Tony Mostardo; Horns 'n' More, members of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra; soprano Patricia O'Neill accompanying herself on the Irish harp; and Styne and Sondheim's musical fable *Gypsy*, presented by the Harper College Theatre Department. For dates, times and admission information, consult the activities calendar or call the box office, extension 2547.



Pat Paulford, Janice Razaq, Cathy Albergo, Ken Dahlberg, Mike Brown, Jack Tippens, Stan Ryberg, Bob Tillotson, Tom Stauch and John Knudsen

Department Developments

Director of Placement Russ Mills addressed deans of Illinois community colleges on the Harper placement system and the program model for integrating the system with the Northwest/ West Suburban Career Cooperative.... Dean of Admissions Steve Catlin gave a presentation on nontraditional students of the '80s and '90s at the Illinois ACT Council State Conference in Willowbrook March 3 and 4.... Sharon Alter, professor of political science, recently served on a panel discussing "Women's Rights Under State Constitutions" as part of a February 1988 symposium in Atlanta, Georgia. Attended by more than 1,500 people, the symposium was convened by former first ladies Rosalynn Carter, Betty Ford, Pat Nixon, and Lady Bird Johnson. The Adult Educational Development Department has been asked by Northern Illinois University to provide an internship site for graduate students in adult education, and Professor Patricia Mulcrone is serving as field supervisor for the program.... Rena Trevor, coordinator of the Women's Program, was recently featured in the Sunday Chicago Tribune in an article on the Displaced Homemakers Program at Harper College.... The College recently launched a Student Ambassador Program coordinated by Bruce Bohrer, director of admissions. Developed in a cooperative effort by the Student Outreach Office, the Center for New Students and the Admissions Office, the program will serve as liaison between new students and the campus. The goals of the program are to assist College recruitment efforts and to help acclimate students to the campus. Out of 175 students recommended for the program, about 40 have been chosen. The initial projects for the group include informational phone calls to applicants and new freshmen, campus tours, college nights and career fairs. . . . During the first week of March Diane Perhats and her colleagues from the Center for New Students made presentations to faculty and staff on the new group information sessions designed to provide accurate, useful information to prospective and new students at Harper College. . . Pat Bourke reports that the Presidential Search Committee is interviewing semifinalists for the position and will recommend three to five finalists to the Board of Trustees in mid-March.

Congratulations to Janet (Center for New Students) and Bill Callahan on the birth of a daughter, Megan Christine, who arrived on March 2 and weighed in at seven pounds two ounces.

Condolences to Mary Ann Buckner of the Registrar's Office on the death of her husband, Jerry.

Retiree's Corner

Dorothy Fagan, who still lives right here in Palatine, writes: "It was a pleasant suprise to receive a copy of the *Insider*. I look forward to reading about my friends in future issues. Thanks to all of you for the gifts and good wishes I received at my retirement. The 16 years I spent as part of the Harper family were among my most rewarding. I shall miss you all but hope to stay in touch."

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Employee groups and individual administrators, faculty and staff members are cordially invited to contribute stories and information before the first of the month for the issue published at midmonth. Please contact Larry Sisk, Institutional Communications, A302, extension 2628.

Health Service News

The Early Detection Mobile Clinic will be on campus to do mammography and osteoporosis bone density assessment for faculty, staff, students and community residents. Appointments may be scheduled for Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, March 23-25 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and on Saturday, March 26 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The mammography takes about 15 minutes and the osteoporosis bone density assessment about half an hour. The cost is \$60 for each test, or \$100 for both. A written report will be sent to your physician within two weeks of the examination. If you have questions about breast cancer detection and who is at risk for osteoporosis, contact the Health Service at extension 2268. To schedule an examination with the Mobile Clinic call Diagnostic Services Incorporated at 438-2115.

March Is National Nutrition Month

"Choose Good Nutrition for Today and Tomorrow" is the theme of this year's celebration. Food choices today influence the quality of life tomorrow, so select foods that have more fiber and less sugar, salt, fat and cholesterol. Not sure which food choices are the best? Consult a registered dietitian at Harper. We're fortunate to be able to contact Nicki Salmons in the Nutrition Resource Center or Jane Allendorph and faculty members in the Dietetic Tech Program. Look for various nutrition displays and activities featured in Building A throughout the rest of March, and during Wellness Week in April.

Opportunities for Physically Disabled Volunteers

The Volunteer Center of Northwest Suburban Chicago is launching a new program in collaboration with the Village of Arlington Heights and its Commission for Handicapped Citizens. The program is designed to involve physically disabled persons in volunteering opportunities with agencies throughout the Northwest suburbs, either at the agency or from their homes. Eligible volunteers must be residents of Arlington Heights between the ages of 13 and 54. Potential volunteers will be inteviewed by the Volunteer Center staff and matched with the appropriate agency. Assistance with transportation can be arranged. For more information call the Volunteer Center at 398-1320 between 9:00 and 4:30 weekdays.

For Your Information

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Thursday, March 24 8:00 pm, Board Room

Committee Meetings

Finance/Buildings & Grounds, March 16 & April 12 (tentative),

7:00 pm, A241

Academic and Student Affairs

Thursday, April 14, 7:00 pm, Board Room

General

Illinois Community College Board

Friday, March 18

Harry S. Truman College, Chicago

College Closed — Good Friday, April 1

High School District 214 College Night 5-9 pm, Building M, Thursday, April 7 Illinois Community College Trustees

Association

Friday & Saturday, April 8 & 9 Sheridan West Port, St. Louis