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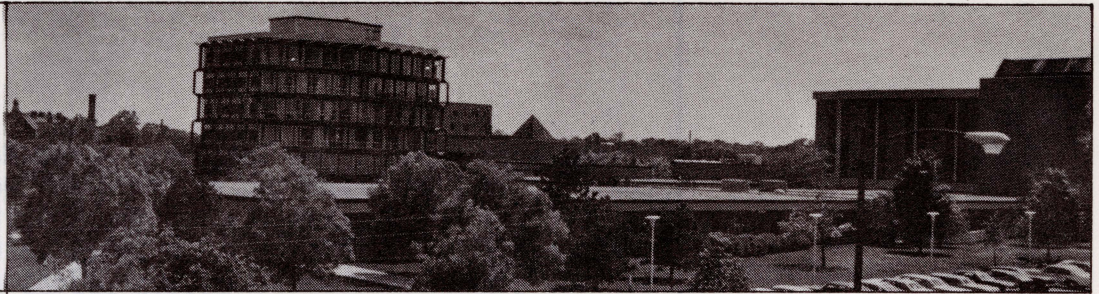
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FYI has a new look and will be published on a more timely basis. Beginning with this issue, FYI will now be distributed twice monthly. If you have news items for possible inclusion in FYI, please send them to Terry Katz, FYI editor, University Relations, C-437.

DISTINGUISHED  
LECTURESHIP  
SERIES

For the second year, the City Club of Chicago and Northeastern are joining forces to coordinate a Distinguished Lectureship Series. This year's series, entitled "Chicago, Toward the 21st Century," will bring local policy makers to the campus to discuss the future trends, challenges, and opportunities for the Metropolitan Chicago area. Underwritten by a grant from Inland Real Estate Corporation, the series is designed for the leaders in business and industry, community organizations, government and education, and for the citizens of Chicago and the surrounding suburban communities. Inland Real Estate Corporation, a \$600 million diversified real estate company, ranks as one of the largest private syndicators in the United States and the largest property manager in the Midwest. The \$10,000 contribution by Inland will enable the university to continue to provide forums where corporate and civic leaders can share their concerns for the future of the city of Chicago.

Philip J. Rock (D-8), Illinois Senate President and Majority Leader, will discuss "Increased Needs, Limited Resources - The Challenges Facing Illinois" on Monday, October 24, at 11:00 a.m. in the auditorium. During Senator Rock's 12-year legislative career, he has sponsored Illinois' landmark Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act, a major reform of Illinois' Foster Care and Adoption Law, and legislation to protect families through the Domestic Violence Act. He has been a leader in providing adequate education funding for Illinois. He has also devoted much of his time to maintaining quality services for the handicapped and mentally ill.

Dick Katschke, director of university relations and coordinator of the lectureship series, said other lecturers scheduled for this year's series will include: State Representative Michael Madigan, speaker of the Illinois House; State Representative Lee Daniels, minority leader of the Illinois House; Ambassador Louis Lerner, publisher of Lerner Newspapers, Jim Ruddle, news anchor and commentator for WMAQ-TV; and Richard Wagner, executive director of the Illinois Board of Higher Education. A brochure detailing programs in this year's lectureship series will be distributed soon to the university's faculty and staff.

BLACK WOMANHOOD  
CONFERENCE

"Black Womanhood: A New Ideology, A New Mandate" is a national conference to be presented by the Black Women's Caucus of Northeastern Illinois University, on Thursday through Saturday, October 27-29, at McCormick Inn Hotel in Chicago. "There is a serious gap between societal perceptions of black womanhood and the reality of black women's lives," according to Barbara Scott, co-coordinator of Northeastern's Black Women's Caucus. "It is vital that black women come together to define and articulate critical issues related to our lives. Another important item on our conference agenda will be to develop a national support network of black women." The registration fee for the conference is \$100; students, \$70; senior citizens, \$60. Some scholarships are available. To receive additional information or to register, contact Safiya Karimah at Northeastern's Center for Inner City Studies at 268-7500.

NEMANIC TO HOST SHOW  
ON WBEZ

Gerald Nemanic, professor of English, is co-hosting a new show entitled "Writing/Chicago" on WBEZ-FM (91.5), on Saturday mornings at 10:30 a.m. He and Babette Inglehart, professor of English at Chicago State University, will produce and host the show on different Saturdays. The show will focus on writers, books, and the literary life of Chicago.

Following are the programs scheduled for the fall season:

- October 8 - Interview with Joan Chase, author of During the Reign of the Queen of Persia
- October 15 - Interview with Robert Bray, author of Rediscoveries: Literature and Place in Illinois - Gerald Nemanic, host
- October 22 - Interview with Harry Mark Petrakis, author of Days of Vengeance
- October 29 - Interview with Christian Messenger, author of Sport and the Spirit of Play in American Fiction - Gerald Nemanic, host
- November 5 - Interview with Reginald Gibbons, poet and editor of Tri-Quarterly - Gerald Nemanic, host
- November 12 - Interview with Bette Howland, author of Things to Come and Go
- November 19 - "Remembering James T. Farrell"
- November 26 - Interview with Alfred Kazin, well-known critic of American literature - Gerald Nemanic, host

## HONORS AND ACTIVITIES

BOSHRA ABO-SAIIF, graphic designer in university relations, was named a consultant in design science units of the Arabic Language Bilingual Material Development Center of the University of Michigan. It is the only Arabic national development center in the nation.

BARBARA BEHRENDT, director of the university counseling center, was recently re-elected to the board of directors of the Mediation Council of Illinois. She was elected to a two-year term.

DUKE FREDERICK, professor of history, participated in a panel discussion on "Civil Rights and the Civil War" at the First Annual Nevins-Freeman Assembly on Saturday, June 11, at the Chicago Historical Society.

MAURICE GUYSENIR, professor of secondary education, will present a slide/tape program on "China" at the Illinois Council for the Social Studies on Friday, October 7, at the Northeast Regional Conference of the National Council for the Social Studies in Hartford, Connecticut, on Saturday, October 29, and the Educators Lodge of B'nai B'rith on Monday, November 7.

TOM KERSJES, tennis coach in the physical education department, was named the National Athletic Intercollegiate Association's (NAIA) District 20 Coach of the Year. Under Kersjes' guidance, Northeastern's team improved from a 0-18 record last year to the championships in the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference (CCAC) and the NAIA in 1983.

ELY LIEBOW, associate professor of English, will be the guest speaker at a luncheon meeting of the Friends of Literature, on Saturday, October 8, at 1:00 p.m., in the Wedgwood Room of Marshall Field and Company, at State and Randolph Streets. Liebow will discuss, through lecture and slides, the background of Dr. Joseph Bell, distinguished Edinburgh physician whose powers of observation and deduction helped form Arthur Conan Doyle's fictional character of Sherlock Holmes.

SHEILA ROTMAN, assistant director of university relations, has been re-elected vice-president of the North River Commission. She is also vice-president of the Bryn Mawr Businessmens Association, a member of the board of directors of the Lawrence Avenue Development Corporation and Hollywood-North Park Improvement Association, and a member of the advisory council of North Park Village and the Northwest Multipurpose Center Auxiliary, which is affiliated with the Office for Senior Citizens and Handicapped.

RONALD WILLIAMS, president of the university, was appointed to the Chicago City Colleges Board Citizens Nominating Committee by Mayor Harold Washington.

## IN THE MEDIA

The most popular courses of study today paint a picture of what students hope to gain from college, claims the Sun-Times, Sunday, August 7. "Students are thinking very pragmatically about what kinds of careers they are going to follow and how they are going to make money," said FRANK DOBBS, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "Many see a degree in business as making their shot at it. However, communication and writing are very important too." OLGA ENGELHARDT, dean of the College of Business and Management, said, "The College of Business and Management was created because of the growth of student demand. Accounting is important because students can see the potential for getting a job."

J. FRED MAC DONALD, professor of history, was a guest on the nationally televised "CBS Morning News" on WBBM-TV (Channel 2), Thursday, August 18. MacDonald discussed his recently published book, Blacks and White TV.

He also testified before the House Energy and Commerce Telecommunications Subcommittee, the Washington Post noted on Tuesday, September 20. The hearings were organized to discuss the subject of minorities in the media.

Every year, thousands of infants in the country are born addicted to heroin or to methadone, a narcotic substitute given to pregnant addicts to help them kick their habits, stated the Life newspaper, Thursday, August 25. Most of these children survive immediately after birth, but are left mentally retarded with birth defects or serious learning disorders. The article noted that WILLIAM PIZZI, professor of psychology, is conducting a study to determine if any other non-narcotic agents can help users overcome their addictions.

MARY ANN SCHWARTZ, professor of sociology, and RICHARD BREWER, professor of educational foundations, indicated that the current recession and decreasing support for higher education make collective bargaining the only effective recourse that college professors have to improve their own salaries and the quality of higher education. They were quoted in an article in the Detroit News, Thursday, September 1, at the 78th annual meeting of the American Sociology Association.

In an article, Thursday, September 1, the Sun-Times noted how programs such as Northeastern's UNIVERSITY WITHOUT WALLS have flourished because of the return to college of older students. These programs have been designed, evaluated, and redesigned to ease the mature person's move into the classroom.

ARTURO VAZQUEZ, director of Community Services, has been appointed by Mayor Harold Washington to be part of a 45-member Private Industry Council whose task will be to develop plans for the city's \$40 million job training program, stated the Defender, Wednesday, July 20.