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Fleming's dancing brightens Chicago

Dame Libby Komaiko Fleming, director of Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theater at Northeastern was recently presented with a "Bright New City Brightener Award" by Mayor Richard M. Daley at a ceremony at NBC Tower. Sponsored by Bright New City, a coalition of business leaders, architects, historians and urban planners, the awards honor individuals and organizations that contribute to making Chicago a brighter place to live.

Fleming, assistant professor of music, is an internationally acclaimed dancer, choreographer and teacher. She founded Ensemble Español in 1976, the same year she joined the university's faculty. In addition to teaching classical ballet and Spanish dance, she has also developed the nation's first academic program in Spanish dance; she choreographed the majority of her dance company's extensive repertoire.

Fleming is the founder and director of the renowned American Spanish Dance



Dame Libby Komaiko Fleming (Photo courtesy University Relations)

Festival held at Northeastern each summer. She has performed with the dance companies of Jose Greco and Lola Montes and has appeared in guest performances with Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops. She has received many awards, civic honors, and choreography fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Illinois Arts Council.

Fleming founded the "Jr." Ensemble Español, an outreach program, in 1985. It features young people age 10-15 from Chicago's Hispanic communities. The junior troupe has performed in many Chicago communities and in several special performances with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

In 1983, King Don Juan Carlos I of Spain presented Fleming with the medal "Laza de Dama" de la Orden de Isabel la Catolica (Ribbon of the Dame) in recognition of her achievements in promoting cultural values of the Spanish tradition in the fields of music and dance throughout the United States. She is the first American artist to receive this honor.

Construction begins after 29 years

Parking lots getting facelift

Northeastern Illinois University students will be getting a break. Well, at least their cars will.

M.C.C. Contractors has begun work on Lot E (west of the H-Building) and Lot F (south of the H-Building). This work includes storm sewer and sidewalk renovation and reconstruction of all asphalt pavement. Construction is expected to take six weeks.

During the six week period, parking will not be permitted and pedestrian traffic must be minimized. Ambulance and handicap traffic will be redirected to the main campus entrance south of the Public Safety Building.

These parking lots were constructed in 1961. The project is being jointly funded from parking fees and appropriated funds.



Lot F in its better days. Repairs to the parking lot have begun after some 29 years without major repair work. (Independent file photo)

SCRATCH PAD



opinion by Mike Solarte

Compensate student leaders with new homes?

Good ole' Northeastern never ceases to amaze those who cover her (in the media, that is).

After 29 years, there finally will be parking lot renovations and at the same time the student compensation policy is all but in effect, despite not being passed by Student Senate or the Fees and Allocation Committee.

Oh, and by the way, President Lamb is moving to Northfield.

Lamb will be changing his address to a residence in Northfield at the cool pricetag of \$495,000. This home is the most expensive given to any of the Board of Governors (BOG) Presidents in the BOG system.

In a story released by the *Chicago Sun Times* on Friday July 20, a list of homes for 16 administrators throughout the higher education system were published. The only other residence with a higher pricetag than Lamb's belongs to the Chancellor of Southern Illinois University. That tag was a cool \$1 million.

So what, you say. Well, here's an interesting side note. The BOG is paying for it.

Now say 'so what.'

The home represents something of a monumental waste throughout the BOG system. Why does the President of a Chicago University need a home in Northfield? Why should the BOG system pay for this house or any other housing presently occupied by its President's? Considering the size of Lamb's salary (\$105,000), affording a home should not be a major problem.

The total cost of these houses (those being used by BOG personnel) amounts to \$972,950. That is the total dollar figure calculated by using the prices of the homes when they were purchased. This figure also does not include

the price of the home occupied by the BOG Chancellor Thomas Layzell, because he lives in private housing.

The student compensation policy that is causing student clubs so many headaches (myself included), was instituted without the approval of the Student Senate or the passing of the Fees Committee. It seems that Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Melvin Terrell acted on his own in saying that these changes were necessary or just.

What our fearless decision makers may not realize is that the student leaders on this campus are doing more than one thing on this campus. First, they are attending classes. Second, they are also running an organization or some part of it. Third, if they are not as fortunate as myself to be attending Northeastern on a talent scholarship, they are working to pay for their education.

Now, let's take away two thirds of their pay from running the on campus organization. That's like taking the Nutrasweet out of Diet Pepsi; without it, the lure of drinking it for a somewhat palatable taste would be gone and everyone on the planet would be drinking regular Pepsi.

The same applies to the compensation mess; the lure of running the on campus organization is gone, and everyone returns to what a typical Northeastern lifestyle was all about; go to class, listen, take notes, get into their car and go home.

Unfortunately, they won't have the luxury of the BOG paying for it.

Mike Solarte

Morgue for minor drunk driver offenders?

Drunk driving is a serious topic and for minors convicted of this offense, it could turn out to be a morbid one as well.

Democrat Clem Balanoff sponsored a bill in the Illinois General Assembly that would allow courts to require minors convicted of drunk driving to visit one of three facilities: 1) a treatment center for drunk driving victims, 2) a center for recuperating alcoholics, or 3) the morgue, to view victims of alcohol-related accidents. This "minor drunk driving program" is to be administered by local probation authorities.

Balanoff warned, "This type of exposure is tough, but I believe many young men and women will be shocked and saved by the experience."

The Illinois Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse would have the authority to make improvements to the program. The measure now awaits the Governor's approval.

Drunk driving is a serious problem with our young adults. The goal is to make them think before they get behind the steering wheel," Balanoff said.

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
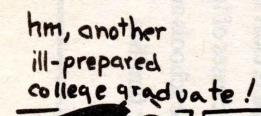
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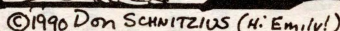
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In the last issue of the *independent*, the photo identifications of Elyse Mach and Edna Hunt were reversed. The *independent* regrets the error

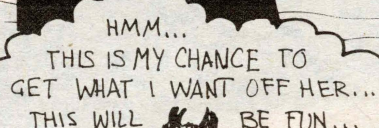
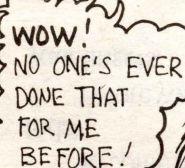
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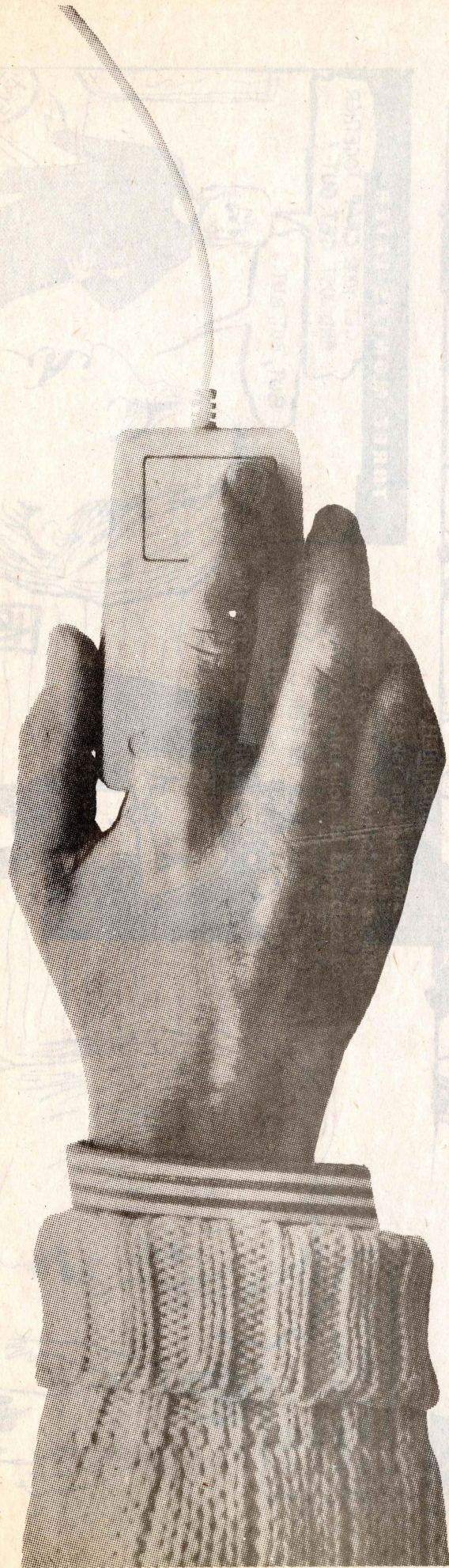


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Collegiate Happenings from around the USA

LEADERS TO ADDRESS EDUCATION'S FUTURE AT NATIONAL SEMINAR

More than 800 superintendents, school board members, principals, teachers, and political and business leaders will attend the National Public Relations Association's annual seminar July 15-19 in Washington, D.C.

The leaders will discuss issues surrounding "A Capital Investment:

Education's Future Under Construction." Virginia Gov. L. Douglas Wilder, who is leading the push for equal education spending in Virginia, will speak July 17 at the NPRA's human relations luncheon.

More than 100 speakers representing top school and public relations professionals will address crisis management, recruiting minorities, marketing schools and finance elections.

UNITED STATES LOSING IT'S SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS

A study by the Women's College Coalition states that unless undergraduates begin pursuing math and science training, the United States will experience a net shortfall of approximately 750,000 scientist and engineers by the year 2000.

It appears that women in general are aware of this crisis and are treating it as a challenge to themselves and the traditional gender roles, according to the study.

PREVENTABLE CAUSES HAMPER LEARNING ABILITIES OF U.S. CHILDREN

Approximately 12 percent of children born in this country suffer a major reduction in their ability to learn because of "fully preventable causes," according to a report released Thursday. The study, presented by the Education

Commission of the States National Forum, identifies these causes as low birth weight, prenatal alcohol, drug and tobacco exposure, lead poisoning, malnutrition, and child abuse and neglect.

"These casual factors have different effects depending on the intensity of exposure and when in the life cycle they take place. And while not every exposure results in impairment for every child, the same child may be subject to several of them, adding to the severity of learning problems," according to Lucile Newman, medical anthropologist at Brown University Medical School's Department of Community Health.

"What is clear is that by failing to address these preventable causes of learning loss, we add an enormous burden to the schools and to the lives of the effected children and their families.