

to the faculty and staff of Mississippi State University

Library card good at state institutions

A new agreement among a number of Mississippi's universities will allow library patrons to borrow materials from other state institutions.

The reciprocal borrowing arrangement will let patrons in good standing obtain a Mississippi Universities Library card that may be used to check out materials from Alcorn State, Delta State, Mississippi State, Mississippi University for Women, the University of Mississippi, and the University of Southern Mississippi.

Library patrons without overdue materials or outstanding fines may apply for the Mississippi Universities Library borrowing card at the circulation desks of Mitchell Memorial, School of Architecture or College of Veterinary Medicine libraries.

Courtesy card holders are not eligible. For more information, contact Michael Donahoo at 325-7664 or <mdonahoo@library.msstate.edu>.

In other library news:

The Instructional Materials Center has added a number of resources to serve faculty, students and staff. The center provides a selection of video cassettes, audio cassettes, compact discs, computer software and other educational resources, as well as materials placed on reserve by university faculty members. At the IMC, patrons have access to a computer with a flatbed scanner; two typewriters; five TV/VCR stations, and seven CD player/cassette player stations, two of which also have record players. The center soon will house two music composition stations.

The library auditorium now is equipped with a full sound system, including a CD player, VCR, audio cassette player, and a projection unit that can be used with the computer or VCR. For more information

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Robert Rogers heads national organization

Dr. Robert W. Rogers recently became president of the American College of Animal Food Science, the top credentialing organization in his area of expertise.

Rogers is a professor of animal and dairy sciences and food science and technology.

The organization is operated by the American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists, of which Rogers is a member. He serves on the registry's governing council and is chairman of the examining board for all areas of registry certification.

Rogers assumed the presidency in January and will serve for two years.



Rogers



Suzanne Mord, circulation assistant, demonstrates the library's new teletypewriter.

Eight honored as College and School Alumni of the Year

Eight Mississippi State alumni were honored as the College and School Alumni of the Year at the annual Alumni Awards Banquet in January.

The 1998 College and School Alumni of the Year include:

Fred W. Bailey of Shreveport, La., College of Engineering. Bailey, who received his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in 1948, is chief executive officer of Bailsco Blades and Casting Inc., and also president and owner of Sound Fighter Systems Inc.

Jim Brown of Washington, D.C., School of Architecture. Brown, who received his bachelor's degree in architecture in 1981, is an associate with RTKL Associates Inc.

Dr. William H. Coltharp of Nashville, Tenn., College of Arts and Sciences. Coltharp, who received his bachelor's degree in general science in 1977, is clinical professor of cardiac and thoracic surgery at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and a member of the Division of Thoracic and Cardiac Surgery at St. Thomas Hospital.

Dr. F. Keith Davis of Hattiesburg, College of Veterinary Medicine. Davis, who received his doctor of veterinary medicine degree in 1983, owns Davis Veterinary Hospital.

Dr. Quincy C. Hilliard of Lafayette, La., College of Education. Hilliard, who received his bachelor's degree in music education in 1974, is the Heymann Endowed Professor of Music Theory and Composition at the University of Southwestern Louisiana.

W.G. "Mickey" Holliman Jr. of Belden, College of Business and Industry. Holliman, who received his bachelor's degree in industrial management in 1960, is president and CEO of Furniture Brands

International Inc., a parent company of Action Industries in Tupelo.

Bobby P. Martin of Ripley, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Martin, who received his bachelor's degree in agronomy from Mississippi State in 1956, is chairman of the board and president of The Peoples Bank.

Kenneth C. Stewart Jr. of Marietta, Ga., College of Forest Resources. Stewart, who received his bachelor's degree in general business and forestry from Mississippi State in 1972, is executive assistant to the president and CEO of Georgia-Pacific Corp.



Alumni of the Year are (seated, l-r) W.G. "Mickey" Holliman Jr., Bobby P. Martin, Fred W. Bailey, and Dr. William H. Coltharp; (standing, l-r) Kenneth C. Stewart Jr., Dr. F. Keith Davis and Jim Brown. (Not pictured is Quincy C. Hilliard).

Wright focus of literary journal issue

An African-American novelist born in Mississippi in 1908 is the focus of the current issue of *The Mississippi Quarterly*.

Richard Wright, born near Natchez as the son of a sharecropper, became one of the 20th century's most influential writers, said Dr. Robert L. Phillips, editor of the literary journal published at Mississippi State.

"He greatly influenced such literary giants as James Baldwin and Ralph Ellison," the English professor said.

Wright published "Native Son" in 1940. The book about black life in Mississippi brought him international

recognition. "Black Boy," published in 1945, also became a best-seller.

International scholars, including those from the Ukraine, France, and Japan, contributed essays to the Wright issue.

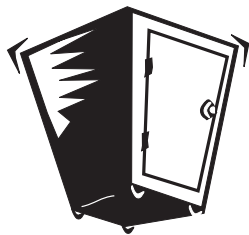
The issue is jointly edited by Jack B. Moore of the Institute on Black Life at the University of South Florida and Michael Fabre of the Universite de la Sorbonne Nouvelle.

For more information about *The Mississippi Quarterly*, visit the journal's Internet site at <www.msstate.edu/Archives/MQ/mq.html>.



Kudos

The Mississippi State Small Business Development Center was recently certified by the National Association of Small Business Development Centers. Sonny Fisher directs the MSU center.



Funding Opportunities

Below are funding opportunities received from various sources such as the Office of Federal Programs. Sponsored Programs Administration (SPA), 325-7404, will assist you in obtaining information and applications necessary for submission to governmental or private sources. For complete listings and other opportunities, see the Sponsored Programs World Wide Web page on the MSU server: <http://www.msstate.edu/Dept/SPA/spa.html>.

Arts/Humanities/International

Program: Education and Access
Agency: National Endowment for the Arts
Next Deadline: APR 03, 1998
Supports projects that broaden and deepen educational experiences for people of all ages, or that reach audiences that have not been reached before. Priority will be given to projects that are of national, regional, or field-wide significance, including unique local projects that are likely to serve as models for a field. Grants range from \$5,000 to \$200,000 and require a match of at least one to one. Above date reflects postmark deadline. See <http://arts.endow.gov/Guide/Orgs99/EA.html>.

Program: Education Development and Demonstration: Humanities Focus Grants
Agency: National Endowment for the Humanities
Next Deadline: APR 17, 1998
Enables groups of educators at the same or related institutions to explore humanities topics. These small, "next semester" awards range from \$10,000 to \$25,000 and support varied types of collegial humanities study, institutional planning, and curricular design. They may also support Teaching with Technology projects. Focus grant applications are due by April 17. All other Development and Demonstration grants are due by Oct 1.

Education/Human and Community Development

Program: Grant Programs
Agency: National Foundation for the Improvement of Education
Next Deadline: APR 15, 1998
Leadership Grants underwrite professional development opportunities for teachers, education support personnel, and higher education faculty and staff to prepare them for collegial leadership in teaching and learning. NFIE awards grants of up to \$1,000 to individuals to engage in professional development activities that address the needs of students they serve. NFIE will award up to fifty grants per year. Grants will fund activities for twelve months from the date of the award. See <http://www.nfie.org>.

Program: Grants Program
Agency: Sister Fund
Next Deadline: APR 01, 1998
Supports advocacy, public education, and media strategies that heighten public consciousness around issues affecting women and girls and emphasize women's leadership. Projects may focus on women's economic development, violence against women and girls, and women's reproductive rights. Grants range from \$5,000 to \$30,000.

Health/Mental Health

Program: Conference Grants on Health Effects of Toxic Substances
Agency: Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry
Next Deadline: APR 06, 1998
Program provides partial support for non-federal conferences on disease prevention, health promotion and information/education projects in the following areas: health effects of hazardous substances; disease and exposure registries; hazardous substance removal and remediation; emergency response to toxic disasters; risk communication; disease surveillance; and investigation and research. ATSDR will make six awards of about \$8,000 in FY 98. Deadline refers to required letter of interest. Refer to announcement No. 803. See <http://www.cdc.gov/funding/htm>.

Program: Grants Program
Agency: Brush Foundation
Next Deadline: MAR 16, 1998
Target Date - proposals may be submitted at any time.

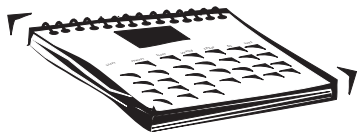
Supports programs of research, teaching, and service to meet the problems of increasing population in the United States and the world. Areas of interest include international family planning; teenage sexuality education and services; freedom of choice; public advocacy; and domestic family planning. The Board of Managers meets twice a year to review applications, usually in the first weeks of April and November. All final requests must be submitted at least four weeks prior to the next scheduled meeting.

Science/Engineering

Program: Teacher Enhancement Program
Agency: National Science Foundation
Next Deadline: APR 01, 1998
Target Date - proposals may be submitted at any time.

Supports efforts to enrich and enhance the teaching experience of teachers of science, math and technology. Funds are provided for such activities as seminars, conferences, and research participation opportunities for teachers who can take a leadership role in peer teaching and for teachers in need of continuing education. New Leadership Institutes will build coalitions of educators and educate a cadre of "master" teachers to educate peers. Required pre-proposals are due April 1; full proposals are due August 25.

Program: Environmental Management Science Program
Agency: U.S. Department of Energy
Next Deadline: MAR 17, 1998
Supports management and disposal of DOE's radioactive, hazardous chemical, and mixed wastes; stabilization of nuclear materials; remediation of contaminated sites; and decontamination and decommissioning of facilities. Basic research should help decrease risk for the public and workers, and address problems that are considered intractable without new knowledge. See <http://www.em.doe.gov/science>.



Calendar of Events

Send your calendar items to Calendar, 102 George Hall; Campus Mail Stop 9512; FAX 325-7455; e-mail jonesk@ur.msstate.edu. Please notify Calendar of Events at least **TWO WEEKS** in advance. For updates, check: http://msuinfo.ur.msstate.edu/hot_news/events.htm

Ongoing Events

“Interpretations,” photography exhibition by Dr. William McClung of English, through April 14, Pegasus Gallery of Wise Center. 325-2947.

“Human Resource Management Prep Course,” offered by Continuing Education through interactive video networks, Mondays, Feb. 16-April 27. 325-8877.

Communication Department presents “Talley’s Folly,” McComas Hall lab theater, Feb. 18-21, 8 p.m. 325-7952.

February

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MSU vs. Tennessee, men’s basketball, Humphrey Coliseum, 8:30 p.m.

“Gentlemen Jugglers,” Lee Hall auditorium, 7 p.m. 325-2930.

MSU vs. South Alabama, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 3 p.m.

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MSU vs. Belmont, women’s basketball, Humphrey Coliseum, 7 p.m.

MSU vs. South Alabama, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 3 p.m.

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Spring “Discovery: MSU,” Enrollment Services. 325-3076.

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International Student Extended Orientation: “Computer Resources: How to Use Them,” Renu Thamma, Colvard Union small auditorium, 3-5 p.m. 325-8929.

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MSU vs. Mississippi, men’s basketball, Humphrey Coliseum, 2 p.m.

MSU vs. Louisiana Tech, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 1 p.m.

Bulldog Classic softball tournament: Jacksonville State, 9:30 a.m.; Missouri, 11:30 a.m., Tennessee-Chattanooga, 4:30 p.m.

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MSU vs. Louisiana Tech, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 1 p.m.

Bulldog Classic softball tournament: No. 1 vs. No. 4 and No. 2 vs. No. 3, 11 a.m. Championship game, 1:30 p.m.

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Keith Reeves of Architects Design Group Inc. of Winter Park, Fla., architecture lecture series, Giles Hall, 4 p.m.

MSU vs. Mississippi Valley State, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 3 p.m.

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“St. Louis Brass,” Lyceum Series, Lee Hall auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$6 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens, \$3 for children. Students admitted free with I.D. 325-4201.

MSU vs. Alcorn State, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 3 p.m.

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MSU vs. Alabama, men’s basketball, Humphrey Coliseum, 7 p.m.

MSU vs. Jackson State, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 3 p.m.

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International Student Extended Orientation: “Career Services,” Dr. Bob Wolverton, Colvard Union small auditorium, 3-5 p.m. 325-8929.

March

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MSU vs. Memphis, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 3 p.m.

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MSU vs. Memphis, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 3 p.m.

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MSU vs. Tennessee, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 6:30 p.m.

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about reserving the auditorium, contact Cathy Hollingshed at 325-7669.

A graduate/faculty study area now is open on the library’s fourth floor. Those who wish to use the area may register at the circulation desk, where they will present university identification and have their hand prints scanned. The handprint will allow future access to the study area.

New copiers have been installed throughout the library. The Printing Department also has installed four copiers in the copy center located on the first floor.

The library has worked with Student Support Services and MSU Telecommunications to establish a teletypewriter (TTY) in the library’s circulation department.

The TTY allows the hearing-or speech-impaired to communicate by placing the handset of the phone on the TTY and “talking” by typing messages on the keyboard. (See a staff member at circulation for more information. The TTY phone number is 325-8183.)

Computers in the reference room also are equipped with ZoomText, which allows students with visual impairments to enlarge the text on the computer screen.

Steele to be honored by state Legislature

W. Glenn Steele of mechanical engineering and Student Association President Michael E. Richardson are among 76 outstanding students and faculty members who will receive special recognition from the Legislature on Tuesday, Feb. 17.

The honor is part of the 11th annual HEADWAE program sponsored by the Legislature and supported by the state’s corporate community, along with the Mississippi Humanities Council.

HEADWAE—Higher Education Appreciation Day/Working for Academic Excellence—was established by the Legislature in 1988 to honor individual academic achievement and the overall contribution of the state’s public and private institutions of higher learning.