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UM-ST. LOUIS HOLDS ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON STATE OF THE WORLD

On Wednesday, May 12 the Center for International Studies will inaugurate a major, new international affairs program for the St. Louis community — the Annual State of the World Conference. International studies scholars will speak on the theme, The State of the World, 1993 — New World Order? New World Disorder? Open to the public, the program will be held on the UM-St. Louis campus, 8:30 am - 1:00 pm in room 126 of the J.C. Penney Building. The registration fee of $35 ($15 for students) includes continental breakfast, lunch, and parking.

Dr. Angelika Volle, senior research fellow and managing editor of the German Society for Foreign Affairs, Bonn, will deliver the keynote address. Volle is a political scientist and expert on the international relations of Europe. She will speak on The Challenges of Transforming Europe: Is European Integration an Answer to the Problems of Disintegration in Eastern Europe?

New World Disorder: The View from the Balkans, is the title of the program's second major address, to be given by Dr. Dennison Rusinow, professor of history at the Center for Russian and East European Studies at the University of Pittsburgh. An expert on Yugoslavia, Rusinow's work focuses on questions of nationalism and the nation-state in general.

UM-St. Louis international studies faculty will speak in concurrent, small-group sessions designed to facilitate audience participation. Faculty speakers are Dr. Fanny Bryan (Was the Breakup of the Soviet Union Inevitable?), Dr. Sheilah Clarke-Ekong (Ethnic Fragmentation and Nation Building in Africa: An Anthropological Perspective), Dr. Winston Hsieh (Beyond the Economic Miracle: Political and High Tech Challenges in the Asia Pacific Rim), Dr. Cynthia Radding (NAFTA and the Unification of the North American Economy: Mexican Perspectives), Dr. J. Martin Rochester (The UN and the New World Order) and Dr. John Works (The Islamic World's View of Fundamentalism).

The conference sponsors are the UM-St. Louis Center for International Studies, Alumni Association and Friends of UM-St. Louis and the World Affairs Council of St. Louis. Volle's appearance is made possible by the Goethe Institute of St. Louis, the German Federal Press Agency, Bonn, and the German Information Center, New York.

For registration information, contact Connie Jeffries (314) 553-5972. For program information, call Kathy Cochrane, (314) 553-5801.

VIDEO TELECONFERENCE LINKS GOVERNOR CARNAHAN AND UM-ST. LOUIS SEMINAR TO JAPAN

Missouri Governor Mel Carnahan says that modern, interactive video technology will be "one of the major efforts we'll use to increase trade." On December 8 Carnahan joined an audience of over 120 business people on the UM-St. Louis campus in a live interactive teleconference that linked the four UM campuses, 12 other sites in the midwest, and Sophia University in Tokyo. From Tokyo, professor Hideo Kimura, an internationally acclaimed expert on US-Japan trade, discussed the challenges and opportunities the Japanese market presents to Missouri exporters. The teleconference was the highlight of a two day seminar "Doing Business with Japan, '92," sponsored by the UM-St. Louis Center for International Studies, Continuing Education-Extension and the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO).

The second in a continuing seminar series, the program and videoconference were conceived by UM Curator James L. McHugh. McHugh was joined at the video conference by Governor Carnahan, Lt. Governor Roger Wilson, Secretary of State Judy Moriarty, UM-St. Louis Chancellor Blanche Touhill, JETRO-Chicago chief executive director Kunimitsu Yamazaki, and other state and community leaders.

McHugh said that the University's Board of Curators has placed a high priority on realizing the video network's potential for educational and economic development throughout Missouri. The University of Missouri video network links the four campuses and county extension sites using fiber optics (conventional phone circuitry) and satellite down links to allow video and audio interaction.
POLITICAL SCIENTIST STUDIES DEFORESTATION

By Harry Murray

"In each of the capital cities of Latin America there are enormous pollution problems. Uncontrolled urban growth, polluted water, polluted air, open sewers, garbage disposal problems, runoff problems from agricultural pesticides and insufficient safeguards for workers are among the very serious problems." At the urban level these problems are beginning to be documented. People are becoming conscious of the problem. "People don't want to live in filthy cities, in places that are health hazards. From the outside, people are hearing that they don't have to live like that, that things can actually be done, and that there is a relationship between development and the environment" says Eduardo Silva.

An assistant professor of political science, Silva joined the University of Missouri-St. Louis faculty in fall 1991. He is also a Fellow in the Center for International Studies, where he is conducting research on two tracks. One is the role of elites and how they function in macroeconomic policy. The other track focuses more on broad issues of social equity.

Silva says, "My way of combining all of this is through the issue of native forests or rainforests in South America. It is a way of looking at what kinds of development we can have in these areas that won't destroy the natural resources nor blame the people who are there for destroying them."

Research in native forest policies, Silva says, is allowing him to do comparative work within the region. He will use a grant from Miami University's North-South Center to conduct a research project on The Politics of Conservation and Sustainable Development: Native Forestry Policy in Chile and Venezuela. "The end result, I hope, will be a book within the next two years that will be a comparative study of native rainforest policy in Chile, Venezuela, Mexico and Costa Rica."

According to Silva, over-population is not the factor depleting rain forests in Latin America. The main pressure on rainforests stems from the economic uses of the forest by investors from urban areas. The timber industry, mining and raising beef for export have resulted in deforestation in Brazil, Chile and Central America. Silva cites a sort of frontier mentality in Brazil. An enormous amount of violence occurs when cattle ranchers try to drive out squatters and family-type settlers. He compares it to the range wars of the 1800s in the United States.

Silva's work on social equity issues focuses on Chile. He cites institutional mechanisms in Chile that prevent the passage of measures to increase levels of social service, or to modify inequitable labor laws. The mechanisms include a virtually autonomous army, still headed by Pinochet, and the constitution of 1980, which was designed by the authoritarian government.

Positive accomplishments of the current government include relative political stability, few demonstrations and strikes, and little threat of guerilla activity. All of the general macroeconomic indicators are good.

Silva has published articles on Chilean politics and is coeditor with Paul Drake of the book Elections and Democratization in Latin America, 1980-1985. He is currently teaching two political science courses: The Political Systems of Mexico, Central America, and the Caribbean and Democratization in Comparative Perspective: Latin America and East Central Europe.

He received a B.F.A. degree from the University of Texas at Austin, M.A. degree from New York University, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, and his Ph.D. in political science from the University of California, San Diego.
KOREAN LANGUAGE TRAVELS ON VIDEO NETWORK

By Harry Murray

Dr. Sookhee Choe (choo-way) says she became interested in teaching Korean while she was a teacher's assistant at the University of Illinois, where she met many Korean Americans who wanted to learn the Korean language. She says, "Teaching language is exciting, and I enjoy teaching cultural concepts as a background for learning language."

"Why not!" Choe responded when asked if she was interested in a position in a Korean teaching program. Less than a year later Choe is in charge of the Korean language program at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, the only school in the state of Missouri to offer Korean.

Choe's venture from Korea to the United States was stimulated by her interest in linguistics. After receiving her bachelor's degree in Seoul, Choe became interested in English linguistics. Her advisor in South Korea had graduated from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana and recommended that she study there.

Choe's Korean language course is carried on the University's interactive video network to the Columbia campus. Students at UM-St. Louis and Washington University attend classes at the UM-St. Louis campus.

Choe says, "At first I thought it would be impossible. I thought that to teach a foreign language we had to interact face to face. I now think that the video method is as effective as traditional classroom teaching of the Korean language." The video technology allows interaction between students and teacher, and also interaction between students at the different campuses, according to Choe. "I am amazed at the technology and how the students can communicate with each other," Choe says.

Choe observed that her only difficulty was the need to re-size some of her teaching materials to accommodate the video system's requirements.

Her class last fall enrolled students from UM-St. Louis, UM-Columbia and Washington University and included eight Korean American students.

Choe says that many American students studying the Korean language have a personal motivation. "An example would be an American having a Korean wife," she said. Other motivational factors of students include interest in Korean and other Asian cultures, and Korean students who wish to take their knowledge back to Korea. Choe says that her program has not yet attracted business students, but thinks the growing economy and importance of trade with South Korea to both the US and the state of Missouri will draw these students in the future.

Choe's major field of study was linguistics. She explained that there are three major parts of linguistics: study of sound, study of structure, and study of meaning. Her specialty is the study of sound.

Choe explained how she uses computers in analyzing sounds and adding to the inventory of sounds. She explained that theoretically, there is a so-called universal grammar, and that her study of sound is a substantial aid in teaching languages.

Choe's Korean language course was made possible by the Joint Center for East Asian Studies, which was developed by UM-St. Louis and Washington University to address the growing need to improve understanding of East Asia. The Center is using a grant from the US Department of Education to operate the program.

Choe received her B.A. degree in English Language and Literature from Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea. She received her M.A. degree in English Linguistics, and her Ph.D. from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana.
HIGH-TECH FOREIGN LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION

By Linda Weber

At UM-St. Louis meeting the challenges of the 21st century means more than just “going global,” it means “going high-tech.” When the department of Instructional Computing invited departments on campus that did not use computer aided instruction in their curricula to use the facilities in the new Computer Center, Professor Albert Camigliano, then Chair of Foreign Languages and Literatures, wrote a proposal. And, as of January 11, 1993, the department is teaching French, Spanish and German by computer.

Professor Camigliano says that the changes in technology over the years have changed the methodologies in education. The foreign language student of yesterday had almost no opportunity for “one on one” contact with the “target language” outside of class. During class, the student had to literally hang on the teacher’s every word to catch the mistakes that he may have made, while guessing when he was right and when he was wrong.

The learning process was slow, lengthy and unpredictable, particularly in writing. For example, on a Monday, the student would struggle to eke out a short essay and hand it in at the end of the hour. On Wednesday, the student would come to class, the essay in his head fuzzy, and nothing. The teacher had given an exam in another class and had not had a chance to look at the papers. On Friday, five days later, the student comes to class, scarcely able to remember the topic of the paper, and finally, the teacher returns the paper with marks on it. The student says “OK, I see that I made a mistake there, but why did I write that in the first place?”

Today, Camigliano’s students compose their papers on computers. They can even work in groups to write letters to President Clinton, as they did recently. While they write, Camigliano can join the various student groups at random to check on their progress. If he sees a mistake, he can use his computer to send a message to that particular group, the message appearing in a separate window on their computer screen called the “chat box.” The message is silent. It does not interrupt the student’s train of thought or disturb other students. Also, the computer saves a protocol of the class, which the students can print out and take with them. Thanks to software like Dasher, students will be able to learn to speak, write and read French, German and Spanish better in less time.

Aspects, the teacher-student learning process is now interactive and occurs “during the process rather than after the fact.”

Outside of class, students can access the network from almost any computer lab on campus. They can use Tense Tutor, a drill and practice exercise that even has a voice feature attached, to sharpen grammar skills at any level. Dasher allows teachers to create grammar exercises tailored to the student’s needs. A Detective game called Herr Kommissar challenges students to solve a murder mystery in Germany. The student takes on the persona of an American detective who solves the case by questioning the suspects that the computer presents. The students actually carry on a conversation with the computer! Going high-tech to teach modern foreign languages and using computers more closely simulates the natural communication process than does the old teaching methodology. The result, says Camigliano, is that UM-St. Louis students will be able to learn to speak, write and read French, German and Spanish better in less time.

Linda Weber is the study abroad coordinator at UM-St. Louis, where she is a graduate student in history and completing a Graduate Certificate in International Studies.

STUDY ABROAD – GOING GLOBAL

By Linda Weber

1992 was a good year for study abroad at UM-St. Louis. Currently, the University has seventeen students abroad. Two are in Lyon, the second city of France. One is in Galway amidst the “terrible beauty” of Ireland where the hills, somber and rain-soaked, still speak to the young of the tradition of the Celts. In London, the modern hub of the United Kingdom, eight students are in the Missouri London program while five others learn the ways of British business in the London Internship program. The interns work 20+ hours per week for organizations like Citibank, the London Chamber of Commerce, and Swiss Bank in addition to their studies.

In the fall, UM-St. Louis will offer students three new programs. An exchange program with Autonomous University of Madrid will give students the opportunity to improve their knowledge of Spain and Spanish through a blended mix of classroom learning and practical experience as they explore life in Madrid.

The University will also offer two new programs in business that are designed to help students prepare for the challenges of the global market place. An exchange program with Hogeschool Holland Business School, Amsterdam, will allow students to experience the life of the continent and progress toward a degree in business while studying in English. Students who are proficient in French can participate in an exchange program with École Supérieure de Commerce de Saint Etienne (ESC), a business school in the south of France near Lyon. At ESC, the intern will study French business methods and learn firsthand about the ideas, attitudes and goals of their future international business colleagues.

UM-St. Louis has established a faculty exchange with Flinders University in Adelaide, Australia. Faculty members from business, the humanities and the sciences have applied to spend a year “down under.” This program will likely pave the way for a student exchange in the coming years.

Students can obtain information on opportunities abroad from the Study Abroad Office, room 304A, SSB, Monday - Friday 9 am - noon or call 553-6497.

Linda Weber is the study abroad coordinator at UM-St. Louis, where she is a graduate student in history and completing a Graduate Certificate in International Studies.
GEOGRAPHY CONFERENCE CELEBRATES FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

On Wednesday, April 28, geography teachers will convene the Fifth Annual Geographic Education Conference for Elementary and Secondary Educators. Geography across the Social Studies Curriculum: New Perspectives on the Changing World will be held 4:00 - 7:30 p.m. in the J.C. Penney Building on the UM-St. Louis campus. The conference registration fee of $30 ($20 for undergraduate students) includes a packet of materials and dinner.

The keynote address, Geography: A Framework for Teaching About the Changing World, will be given by Dr. Gail Ludwig, associate professor of geography at UM-Columbia and the coordinator of the Missouri Geographic Alliance (MGA). The MGA is one of 52 state-level organizations conducting geography education programs under the auspices of the National Geographic Society (NGS). Ludwig served for two years as the NGS Geographer in Residence.

In 1989 Teacher Consultants trained by the MGA joined Continuing Education-Extension, the Center for International Studies and the School of Education at UM-St. Louis to form GEOPAC, Geography Program Advisory Council. GEOPAC created the annual geographic education conference as a forum for Teacher Consultants to share new geography teaching methods and materials with other educators.

On April 28, Consultants will present lessons on map skills, children's literature, geography across the curriculum, contemporary China and Puerto Rico. A special exhibit will acquaint participants with new materials for teaching about China available on a free loan basis from the Center's Missouri International Studies Resource Collection.

For more information call Connie Jeffries at 553-5972.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATORS

TEACHER'S INSTITUTE IN ASIAN STUDIES
June 21 - 25
Ann Arbor, MI
- K-12 educators
- application required
  (first apply, first accepted)
  deadline: May 1
  cost: $10/day or $40 for 5 days

This annual program features morning lectures by faculty from the University of Michigan's centers for Chinese, Japanese, South and Southeast Asian studies and afternoon workshops by experienced Asia teachers. Subjects are China (21st), India (22nd), Southeast Asia (23rd), Japan (24th) and comparative topics (25th). Application requires a letter and resume. For information: (313) 764-6308.

CHINA: ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL REFORM
June 7 - 26
People's Republic of China
- educators, students, public
- application required
  (first apply, first accepted)
  deadline: April 30
  cost: $5,385 includes 3 hrs. undergrad/grad credit from UM-Kansas City

This study trip examines the major economic and social reforms that have taken center stage in China since the late 1970s. Participants will observe how these changes have affected Beijing and Shanghai and the surrounding rural countryside. Led by UM-Kansas City sociology professor Phillip Olson and conducted through People-To-People. For information: (816) 531-4701.

RUSSIA IN EUROPE AND THE WORLD
July 5 - 16
New Haven, CT
- K-12 educators
- competitive application
- cost: $200
- deadline: April 1
- credit: 6 CEUs

An intensive ten days of seminars and workshops will examine the political, economic and cultural impact Russia has had on the world, and the world on the Russians, throughout its history and the present day. Held at Yale, Hopkins and Choate. Dormitory housing and meal plan available. For information: (203) 432-3424.

NATIONAL, RELIGIOUS AND ETHNIC IDENTITY IN THE WORLD OF 1993
July 12 - 16
- St. Louis, MO
- K-12 educators
- pre-registration required
- cost: $150 includes refreshments and materials

The goal of this program is to "help teachers help students meet Clinton's inaugural challenge: "Each generation must define what it means to be an American." Sponsored by the International Education Consortium. For information: (314) 721-3255.

RUSSIA — THE LAND OF TCHAIKOVSKY, LENIN AND YELTSIN
June 24 - 25
Urbana-Champaign, IL
- educators and public
- pre-registration required
- costs: $45 adults; $40 seniors; $20 students

The summer teachers' workshop of the University of Chicago's South Asia Language and Area Center's Outreach Program is an intensive program on the South Asian diaspora in America and elsewhere. Topics include the history of South Asian immigration, cultural assimilation and preservation; religious practices; and racism toward South Asians. For information: (312) 702-8635.

THE SOUTH ASIAN IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE
July 9 - 10
Chicago, IL
- secondary and junior college teachers
- pre-registration required
- cost: $20

The summer teachers' workshop of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Topics include the history of South Asian immigration, cultural assimilation and preservation; religious practices; and racism toward South Asians. For information: (217) 333-1465.
WHAT IS A GLOBAL CITIZEN?

UM-St. Louis faculty are pondering this question as they consider nominations for the University's first, annual Global Citizen Award. The award carries with it a cash prize of $1,000 and the Global Citizen Medal. Chancellor Blanche Touhill will present the award for the first time in fall, 1993. College and university art students throughout Missouri are submitting designs for the medal in a contest that will grant the winner a $500 prize, with three finalists receiving certificates of recognition. The winning design will be announced at the Chancellor's Report to the Community on May 6, 1993.

The Global Citizen Award is a project of the International Affairs Committee of the UM-St. Louis Chancellor's Council. The project was conceived by John Dill, the Committee's chairperson, and is funded by Mosby, a leading health science publishing company that Dill heads. The International Affairs Committee is a group of community leaders appointed by the Chancellor to advise and support the University's Center for International Studies.

According to Dill, the Award is intended to spotlight the pioneering work of UM-St. Louis Chancellor Blanche Touhill, who has made internationalizing the University a top priority. Under Touhill's leadership, the University has accepted the challenge of providing students the knowledge they will need in a world where the responsibilities of citizenship are now global.

The award is designed to make that ideal of global citizenship a reality by honoring an individual who is an inspirational model of what it means to be a "global citizen." The person honored will be one who educates Americans about the growing interdependence of the world, demonstrates a vision of the world as it should be, promotes peace and the understanding of other cultures or works for the solution of global problems.

CALENDAR

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The Missouri Botanical Garden and the Organization of Chinese Americans-St. Louis hold a Chinese Celebration from 11 am - 5 pm. The day's events include dancing, calligraphy, cultural displays, food, painting and a fashion show of traditional Chinese costumes. No fee other than Garden admission of $2 for adults. For information: 577-9400.

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Dr. Richard Falk, the Albert G. Milbank Professor of International Law and Practice, Princeton University, speaks on International Law in the New World Order at a seminar held at UM-St. Louis, room 331 Social Science and Business Bldg., 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. Falk's work focuses on problems of wars and intervention, human rights, environmental protection, and how to develop an equitable and sustainable world order. The free program is sponsored by the Center for International Studies at UM-St. Louis. For information: (314) 553-5753.

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The UM-St. Louis Monday Noon Series features Joyce Mushaben, associate professor of political science and women's studies and fellow in the Center for International Studies, discussing Compromises or Concession? The Politics of Abortion in United Germany. Held in room 229 J.C. Penney Building, UM-St. Louis. Free of charge. For information: 553-5961.

April 13 - June 6

The St. Louis Art Museum exhibits a selection of scrolls and an album by Lo Ch'ing, a internationally recognized poet, calligrapher, painter, cultural critic, and scholar from Taiwan. Lo is a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at Washington University. For exhibit information: 721-0072. For information about other events, contact Dr. Joseph Allen at 935-4448.

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The World Affairs Council sponsors a 6:00 pm program at the World Trade Center on Immigration Reform. Speaker Dan Stein is executive director of the Federation for American Immigration Reform, a group that works to end illegal and restrict legal immigration. Free to members and $10 to non-members. For information: 631-7333.

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The Joint Center for East Asian Studies of UM-St. Louis and Washington University present Bruce Cumings, professor of history at the University of Chicago and a leading American authority on East Asia, speaking on East Asia and Industrialization 4:00 - 5:30 pm in room 331 of the SSB Building on the UM-St. Louis campus. Free of charge. For information: 553-5753.

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The Great Decisions Lecture/Discussion series sponsored by the World Community Center continues with a 12:30 pm talk by Dr. Roger Peterson on Russia and the Central Asian Republics: After Independence, New Directions? Peterson is an assistant professor of Soviet and East European politics at Washington University. The lecture is free of charge and is held at the Salad Bowl restaurant. Great Decisions briefing books are $11. Series continues on April 29 and May 13. Call 862-5735.

April 15 - May 31

UM-St. Louis marks Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with displays of pictures, artifacts and books about Asian Americans and their root cultures. Displays are located in the Thomas Jefferson Library and Ward E. Barnes Education Library. For information: 553-5820.

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The UM-St. Louis Center for International Studies continues its Columbian Quincentenary Lecture Series with a talk by Dr. Fred Fausz on The Later Columbian Exchanges: European Indian Relations of the 17th and 18th Centuries. Fausz is dean of the UM-St. Louis Honors
College, which is cosponsoring the lecture. The program is held at 12:30 pm in room 78 of the J.C. Penney Building, UM-St. Louis. Free of charge. For information: 553-5753.

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The International Education Consortium invites teachers to a free workshop, *Introduction to Sub-Saharan Literatures*, to be held 8 am - 3 pm at Fontbonne College. For information: 721-3255.

April 23 - 29

The Second Annual St. Louis Film Festival brings to St. Louis a series of twenty-six foreign films to be screened at the AMC Esquire Theatres. The Asian Art Society sponsors a discussion program led by Dr. Robert Hegel, professor of Chinese language and literature at Washington University, following the Hong Kong production, *Ruan Ling Yu* (*Actress*). Films begin at 5 pm weekdays and 1 pm on the weekend. For information: 726-6779.

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The World Affairs Council of St. Louis's Great Decisions lecture series features a 5:30 pm talk at the Marriott Pavilion hotel on United Nations: What Role in the World? Speakers are Dr. Jean-Robert Leguey-Feilleux, chairperson of the political science department at St. Louis University and Dr. Victor LeVine, professor of political science at Washington University. Series continues on May 25 and June 22. For information: 361-7333.

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Geography across the Social Studies Curriculum: New Perspectives on the Changing World is the theme of the Fifth Annual Geographic Education Conference for elementary and secondary teachers held 4 - 7:30 pm in the J.C. Penney Building on the UM-St. Louis campus. Keynote speaker is Dr. Gail Ludwig, associate professor of geography at UM-Columbia and coordinator of the Missouri Geographic Alliance. Workshops led by local teachers present new materials and teaching strategies. Registration fee of $30 includes dinner and materials packet. (See newsletter article.) Sponsored by UM-St. Louis GEOPAC (Geography Program Advisory Council), Continuing Education-Extension, Center for International Studies and the Missouri Geographic Alliance. For information: 553-5972.

April 30 - May 1

The Missouri Council for the Social Studies Spring Conference focuses on Geography and the Social Studies. The program includes a keynote by UM-Columbia geography professor Dr. Kit Salter and workshops by Missouri Geographic Alliance Teacher Consultants on China and Puerto Rico. Held at the Days Inn in Columbia, MO. Registration fee of $50 includes one-year membership in MCSS. For information: (816) 235-2460.

May 8-9

Earthways and River Faces sponsor the 1993 Earth Day Community Festival in Forest Park. This year, the festival features a Global Village that will celebrate cultural diversity and educate festival goers about global environmental problems. For information: 968-2255.

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The State of the World, 1993: New World Order? New World Disorder? is the theme of a public program to be held 8:30 am - 1:00 pm in the J.C. Penney Building on the UM-St. Louis campus. Keynote speaker is Dr. Angelika Volle, managing editor, German Society for Foreign Affairs. Dennison Rusinow, professor of history in the Center for Russian and East European Studies at the University of Pittsburgh, discusses New World Disorder: The View from the Balkans. UM-St. Louis faculty give briefings on Africa, the Islamic world, Mexico, the Pacific Rim, the former Soviet Union and the UN. Registration fee of $35 ($15 for students) includes lunch. Sponsored by the UM-St. Louis Center for International Studies, Alumni Association and Friends of UM-St. Louis and the World Affairs Council. (See newsletter article.) For registration information: 553-5972.

15-16

The Asian American Coalition invites the public to an Asian Pacific Festival held at Faust Park, 10 am - 5 pm. Features ethnic foods and the traditional performing arts of Asia. Cultures represented include Japanese, Chinese, Taiwanese, Korean, Filipino and Thai American. The Coalition has fourteen local member organizations. No admission fee. For information: 569-9988.

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Dr. Priscilla Dowden, assistant professor of history at UM-St. Louis and Missouri Historical Society archivist, discusses *Researching African American History in Archives: Getting Started*. The workshop is held at 2:00 pm at the MHS. For information: 361-9265.

JUNE 19

Secondary teachers, college faculty and the general public are invited to the day-long program From Socialism to Capitalism in the Former Communist Bloc: The View So Far to be held at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and sponsored by the University's Center for Russian and East European Studies. Enrollment deadline is May 28. Free of charge with box lunches provided for pre-registered teachers. For information: (217) 333-6022.

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Dr. Joel Glassman, director of the Center for International Studies and associate professor of political science at UM-St. Louis, and Hank Wang, attorney, Armstrong Teasdale, speak on China: New Reforms, Old Politics? in the World Affairs Council's Great Decisions series. The program is held at 5:30 pm at the Marriott Pavilion Hotel. For information: 361-7333.
Established in 1968, the Center for International Studies at the University of Missouri-St. Louis supports teaching, research and community service in international studies. For more information, contact the Center, 366 Social Science and Business Building, University of Missouri-St. Louis, 8001 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis, Missouri 63121-4499, telephone: (314) 553-5753.

The outreach program of the Center for International Studies maintains a library of books, audiovisual materials, exhibits, cultural artifact kits, and other classroom teaching aids which are available on loan to schools and other institutions. For more information, contact Kathy Cochrane, Special Assistant to the Vice Chancellor for International Affairs.

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