Sigma Xi award will go to Hafs

One of the University's highest scientific honors - the Junior Sigma Xi Award for Meritorious Research - will go to Harold Hafs, professor of dairy and of physiology.

The date for formal presentation of the award has not yet been announced.

Gordon Guyer, chairman of the Sigma Xi awards committee, said Hafs is "highly respected internationally as a basic reproductive physiologist."

Hafs' research contributions to the dairy and cattle industries include studies on how sperm is made ready for entrance into the egg for fertilization, studies on the environment of the uterus, studies of reproductive hormones and other hormones necessary for milk production, and studies on sperm freezing and artificial insemination.

His research on deep-freezing of sperm led to this country's first successful use of frozen sperm for artificial insemination of cattle.

The awards committee noted that Hafs' work on factors affecting sperm production has prompted animal breeding cooperatives to increase the sperm output of their bulls by as much as 40 per cent. Since the supply of sperm from genetically superior bulls is limited, his findings have had a big impact on cattle improvement.

CHARLES A. Lanstrei, chairman of dairy science, said that Hafs "is destined to become one of the international authorities on animal physiology."

A colleague, Louis J. Boyd, extension dairy specialist, described Hafs as "that rare combination of good researcher and teacher," whose undergraduate course in animal reproduction has had consistently high enrollments.

Hafs is also chairman of the teaching and curriculum committee in his department, a representative to the Academic Council and a member of the committee on committees.

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin, he holds M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Cornell University. He has been a member of the faculty since 1959.

PHILLIP E. MILLER

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It is expected that the ballot questions selected will be publicized at least a week prior to the voting so that individuals or groups wishing to provide information on various issues will have an opportunity to do so.

Results will be made public as soon as possible following the balloting. While the results will not be binding, Perrin said he believed they would serve, at least on local issues, as an important indication of campus attitudes and as a guide in decision-making.

PERRIN SAID the first poll was an important experiment necessary to help perfect a mechanism which would then be available for periodic campus-wide use.

"We undoubtedly will make mistakes," he said, "but we need to find out where the rough spots are so that they can be corrected in the future. There are many details involved such as the acquisition of ballot boxes and their placement, hiring poll workers, selection of topics and their publication, printing of ballots, etc. Of primary concern is protecting the integrity of the balloting process."

Members of the Opinion Poll Committee are: Gwendolyn Norell and Max Mortland, faculty representatives; Jeffrey Frankin and Thomas Beran, student representatives; James Brock, graduate student representative; Miss Elizabeth Adams, administrative-professional representative; Miss Betty Rideout, clerical-technical representative; Eugene Taylor, service employees representative; and Miss Terry Sullivan, Presidential Fellow, who is assisting Perrin.

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Robert Perrin, vice president for university relations and chairman of the committee, said plans called for the ballot boxes to be available for parts of two days to take advantage of campus traffic patterns and enable a maximum number of persons to vote.

All persons formally located at the MSU campus - students, faculty and staff - will be eligible to vote. Voting instructions will be detailed later, but it is expected that students will utilize their ID cards for identification, while special service employees - urged interested persons to submit one or more topics they would like to see used in the poll.

The committee will screen submissions and select those with the greatest currency and interest. Expert help will be utilized to make public as soon as possible following the balloting.

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Bylaws changed; next stop: Trustees

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ONLY TWO comments were made on the report as a whole. Sigmund Nosow, professor of labor and industrial relations, for the MSU chapter of the AAUP, expressed that group's approval of the document. Associate Editor, Business law and office administration, spoke against the report. She said faculty were "vowed to our ersatz frustration and boredom."

Mrs. Garrison spoke against the majority provisions. Against the "chaotic" methods by which student representatives were to be chosen; and about the difficulty in defining such matters as the "quota system."

And, she said: "We are blurring the distinction between faculty and students as entities."

The Senate also approved bylaw amendments for: Creation of a standing committee on campus planning and buildings; Appointment of a University Committee on Faculty Affairs and Faculty Compensation to be part of the trustees' February agenda.

By BEVERLY TWITCHELL

Passage came easier than some expected

Reactions to passage of the Taylor Report, from a few of the faculty members who debated it, are mixed, in the light of the graduate students' defeat of the panel which prepared the final (third) version of the report, expressed gratification. He said he thought the report "went through (the Senate) more easily than I had anticipated it would."

The objections raised were anticipated, however. He said he feels strongly that the passage of the document did not mean the end of debate. He said even the "at least as well as, or better than . . ."

He also expressed moral and legal objections to the representatives-at-large provisions.

John F. A. Taylor, professor of philosophy and chairman of the panel which prepared the final version of the student participation report, responded: "In the best possible of all worlds, I would favor the amendment. But in our world we have to accommodate some of the cruel errors of our society.

He said that while strong feelings were aroused during the debates over the document, he didn't think any student division has been created, either among faculty or between faculty and students.

"It's useful to remember," he said, "the opposition to the Academic Freedom Report from AMSUS and the State News a few years ago. Some of the same things were said then that have been said about the student participation report. But now it seems students are its strongest defenders."

WALTER F. JOHNSON, professor of administration and higher education and vice chairman of the Faculty Steering Committee, expressed surprise that the report was passed by the Senate.

"There has been a lot of acrimony and debate, but both sides were sincere, there was no deniability. On an overall basis, the vast majority of faculty are favorable to increased student participation. The question has been of extent and nature of the participation."

Johnson, who works with students in the past, said he thinks faculty "will find that students will now become responsible, reliable and intelligent in their involvement. They do their work at least as well as, or better than, faculty."

He said he had been cautiously optimistic about the Senate outcome, but he expected more debate and invective. He said he read the attitude of the students as: "This seemed to be the best we could get, for both groups, so let's get it done."

ALTHOUGH no systematic study has been made as to how MSU would rank nationally, with other institutions' opinions on the degree of student involvement in academic government, two spokesmen made estimates based on personal acquaintances at other institutions.

Killingsworth guessed that passage of the document would put MSU ahead of the majority of other universities. For example, he said, "there is nothing like this at the University of Michigan, Harvard or Yale."

McKee said that MSU would fall about in the middle — with some institutions having stronger representation, for example, students sitting on bodies which make decisions regarding faculty matters. "We seemed to be the best we could get, for both groups, so let's get it done."

By DR. JAMES MCKEE, professor of sociology and chairman of the committee whose report was rejected by the Senate.

"I am pleased faculty chose to pass what they did." He said he thought there might be more debate, but he sensed early in the meeting that "the mood was to pass the thing and get it out of the way."

Most people favored it, he said, and there was "just no desire to put on a big fight."

He said that "one remaining issue I don't think will die will, the issue that has come to be defined as the first time on campus, is the relationship of faculty to students in terms of professional responsibility. We don't know what would actually happen with the issue, he referred to a "reduction of language, both in the section on professional rights give faculty exclusive control of what they define as faculty affairs. That is an incompetence on the part of students."

CHARLES C. KILLINGSWORTH, professor of labor and industrial relations, and leading opponent of the McKee Report last spring said: "I'm glad that the long struggle is over. I thought it was very likely to pass, though I thought there might be a chance of passage for some of the amendments being offered."

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How to print (literally) a book

When mathematics professor Bonnie M. Stewart began writing his latest book, he wanted "to produce something unique."

And by the time Stewart's manuscript was completed, a representative of the Lansing firm that printed the book said he "couldn't believe it."

To Stewart, "something unique" meant his new 206-page book, "Adventures Among the Toroids," which contains not a single character of machine-set type. The illustrations, the cover—most remarkably—all the lettering for the text were done by hand by the author. Meticulously dipping pens, and lettering in a 15th century Chancery Script, Stewart spent two years— including most of a one-year sabbatical leave—completing his unusual work.

Stewart recalls that some of his friends thought he was "like some monk in his cell" producing the book.

The BOOK "runs the gamut," Stewart explains. It describes it as "a reference for the area of three-dimensional Euclidean geometry and a contribution to the literature of mathematical recreations.

Its intended audience range from high school students looking for "science fair" topics and "elevated laymen" to professional mathematicians interested in topology and group theory. Stewart says that the material is "80 percent new."

Given the book's unusual content and the author's hand lettering, commercial publishers weren't very receptive. Stewart admits, he did publish the book himself. (An earlier work, "Theory of Numbers" has been published in two editions by Macmillan.)

The press run of 2,000 copies was completed in December.

STEWART'S BOOK contains hundreds of drawings of three-dimensional shapes, and it includes instructions on how to use rubber bands and cardboard to build models of them. Stewart did the original plates in leahlc watercolors, but since the book is not in color, he advises that "the reader try his fortune with some colored pencils to pinpoint features of the drawings."

Stewart developed an interest in art and lettering in high school when he was taking a correspondence course in commercial art. He has sustained his interest by designing and lettering displays for his stack collection.

He illustrated and lettered his book on 10-inch by 26-inch paper in partner with an IBM 7040 that produced it one-by-one for printing. The result is a tall, thin publication that Stewart calls the "Number One Tall Search Book."

Jame Aranguren, sales manager for the John Henry Company (the book's printer), said that in his 18 years in graphic arts, "it was the first time I had seen a book that was hand-lettered."

Aranguren describes it as the "work of a man who immemorially enjoys not only the mental exercises of toroids (a collection of three-dimensional shapes and figures) but the labor of love of hand-lettering."

Stewart agrees that despite the long hours (and lots of ink) spent, the job never became tedious. "I was too interested in the intellectual adventure."

A potential problem in hand-lettering an entire book is the possibility of mistakes: How do you correct a typographical error in hand-lettered Chancery Script?

"You write an apology on the back page," Stewart says.

And he did, telling readers that "only in desperate moments did we destroy a page and begin again."

He adds (employing the editorial "we"), "...the arrangements and the rewards which are a normal part of producing a typewritten and type-set work, say, just never, were done for this book. Our determination to produce a strictly hand-written book was unique in form and geometry content—coupled with the long period of production and the continued discovery of new results—has trapped us into presenting the disorganized volume now in your hands."

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AAUP seeks views

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Would a coalition of organizations be the answer?

The ensuing discussion produced a variety of other questions, with the topics including: Alternatives to collective bargaining; the need for guidelines for describing the situation on other campuses where faculties have organized; the procedures in organizing and selecting representatives; the effects of bargaining on faculty bylaws.

Ivey to leave dean's post

The number of search missions for college dean has expanded to three.

John E. Ivey, Jr., dean of the College of Education since 1962, announced last week that effective Aug. 31 he will return to teaching and research. Already underway are efforts to find successors for Deans Jack M. Bain, communication arts, and Jeanette A. Lee, human ecology.

Ivey joined the University in 1960 as professor of education and consultant to President John A. Hannah. He became dean two years later.

In announcing his decision to faculty in the College of Education, Ivey said that becoming dean had meant that for all practical purposes, "I had to postpone my teaching and research interests to a future period."

"For some time I have felt that if I am ever going to get back into this area of professional activity, I must do it soon, so, after nine years of service as dean and extensive consultation with the president, the many colleagues of the College of Education, I have decided to move my activities in this direction."

A new group called the Council of College Faculty (CCF) has been created to serve as an "immediate and long - range concerns of the faculty with regard to professional negotiations and 3-D action."

The CCF is the result of action taken last week by the MSU district of the Michigan Association for Higher Education (MAHE). The agency of the Michigan Education Association.

MAHE's executive board voted to establish the CCF "to provide it with an initial life of 30 days. During that time, the council is to develop recommendations concerning the faculty's "needs and wishes" on collective bargaining, and concerning the scope, organization and membership of any formal organization."

The CCF will be "advised of MSU/MAHE membership beliefs through a steering committee to be named this week by the executive board. The new council will include representatives of "not more than two voting members from each college at MSU" and of "as many other faculty members at large" from each college "as wish to participate."

The MAHE board stipulated that persons who join the CCF will be encouraged to become members of the MSU/MAHE executive board.

The CCF chairman will be appointed by the MAHE executive board.

A spokesman for the campus MAHE district said that while several ad hoc groups here have discussed faculty collective action, the MAHE board wished to "create an organization with a limited life and obtain a clear cut stance which the entire faculty can perceive."

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NUMERO ONE TALL SEARCH BOOK

AUP seeks views

Jack Stieber, professor of labor and industrial relations, said that there is nothing short of collective bargaining other than the "entire faculty's" participation in any formal organization:

Concerning the current faculty bylaws, Stieber said that if the faculty chose collective bargaining, the university had to allow it. Similarly, he said that the collective bargaining agent.

Thomas Greer, professor of human ecology, says that he wishes to "hold a "building position" for about a year to allow for observing the situation at other universities whose faculties have organized.

But, the question was asked, isn't a move going to be made here soon?

Yes, answered a representative of the Michigan Education Association. He... and so does a new group

Friday, Jan. 29 — 7 p.m.: Astronaut James Lovell discusses the U.S. space program with "Apollo 13" author Al Chalmers. (Originally scheduled for Jan. 22.)

Saturday, Jan. 30 — 12:30 p.m.: In its first show of the season, "Squal" features Black women.

Sunday, Jan. 31 — 11:30 a.m.: The marriage of John and Sarah Churchill is featured on " program. (Churchill's program: "Thirty Minutes with..."

Monday, Jan. 25 — 1:30 p.m.: "The Great American Dream Machine.

P.M.; A two-day, nonstop encounter is "Orpheus, Then and Now" in a dual presentation of events spanning more than 300 years. 12 p.m.: "An Ideal Husband" by Oscar Wilde is "ON "Playhouse."

Tuesday, Jan. 26 — 7:55 p.m. (FM): MSU - Noel Gallagher. (Burton & Burt)


Friday, Jan. 29 — 10:30 a.m. (FM): "Torch to Overload" is the episode on "The Eliot Chronicles."

Tuesday, Jan. 26 — 2 p.m. (FM): "The Masked Bully" by Verdi is featured on the Metropolitan Opera, live from New York. 7:35 p.m. (FM): "Ohio State basketball from Columbus."

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The Council of Graduate Students (COGS) is surveying graduate departments on the status of graduate assistantships for the next academic year. A subcommittee of COGS will seek statements from graduate department chairmen on whether assistantships are being cut back because of the University's financial problems. The subcommittee plans to report to the Jazz fest set

Jazz bands from six Michigan and Ohio universities will take part in the sixth annual Intercollegiate Big Band Jazz Festival in the Erickson Kiva this Saturday.

Jazz aggregations from Michigan State, the University of Michigan, Flint U-M, Western Michigan University, Central Michigan University and Case Western Reserve University will present public performances at 1 and 7:30 p.m. A special attraction at the performances will be the appearance of the Interlochen Arts' Academy jazz ensemble.

COGS at its next meeting, Tuesday, Feb. 2, at 338 Natural Resources. Election of COGS officers will also occur at the next meeting. The slate of officers includes: For president - William Greene, Department of Secondary Education and Curriculum; vice president for university affairs - Phoebe Steele, Forestry; vice president for internal affairs - Kim Wilson, dairy; vice president for graduate student welfare - Jo Lynn Cunningham, human ecology; secretary - treasurer - Robert Mensen, biochemistry; corresponding secretary - Sandi Thompson, counseling, personnel services and educational psychology. Other COGS members may be nominated for office from the floor.

IN OTHER action last week, COGS:
- Approved a finance committee proposal to send a newsletter to all graduate students once or twice a term, and to direct COGS funds into a graduate student loan program should COGS at any time be dissolved.
- Approved the document on graduate rights and responsibilities. Two

COGS

surveying assistantship status

MSU burial plot established at East Lawn Memory Gardens

A burial plot has been established for persons who have willed their bodies to medical science at Michigan State.

The plot is located at East Lawn Memory Gardens, on Bennett Road south of Okemos. It was dedicated recently in an interfaith ceremony. Except when families prefer other sites, the plot will receive the remains of persons who will bodies to the University.

The plot was landscaped with the help of Milton Baron, director of campus park and planning. It is marked by a small granite monument with the inscription: "In memory of persons who gave their bodies to Michigan State University for the advance of medical science and the good of their fellow man."

Proovt John E. Canton reported recently to the Board of Trustees that a growing need exists for wider public participation in the program of willed bodies for medical education and research.

Bodies willed to MSU contribute to the instruction provided to medical and graduate students by the anatomy department.

Mink plus ferret = ?

Fink coat, anyone? That's right, fink. Michigan State scientists are going to try mating minks with ferrets, a weasel-like relative to the mink.

Here's why: Mink, with all their beautiful fur, are temperamental -- even vicious and, therefore, expensive to raise. Ferrets wear a homely, cheap coat that varies from yellow to black.

But they are calm and easy going.

Ideally, we'll get an offspring with the disposition of a ferret and the fur quality of the mink," says Richard Aulerich, who heads MSU mink research.

"If it works, we'll call the offspring a merrer. If it doesn't, we'll call it a fink."

AULERICH will try mating minks and ferrets this spring -- some artificially and some naturally.

"If all goes well, the mink will tear the ferret apart in the 'natural' mating process, but we're going to try it. Frankly, the combination is a little doubtful. The odds are greatly against us. I'll be surprised, but pleased, if it works."

"We might get an offspring with the fur of the mink and the disposition of the ferret -- or we might get just the opposite."

Aulerich and his colleagues are a little nervous about this mating game.

For one thing, mink ordinarily are mated in March; ferrets, normally in April. So the two might not be brought together. For another, the scientists expect to get a little kidding from other scientists and the people who read or hear about their research.

MSU scientists have been trying to calm down the mink for years. First they tried tranquilizers. These worked, and ferrets, normally in April. So the two might not be brought together, they are entitled.

Meanwhile, some administrators at the University of Michigan, Flint have had back all increases until research grants run out. Assistant Provost Herman King suggested, so that graduate assistants have equal pay. University money may not be added to the research grants, King said.

Stipend ranges listed

Listed below are the range of graduate assistant stipends, as issued through the office of the Provost. These have been some questions raised in the Council of Graduate Students about whether graduate assistants in some departments were receiving the minimum stipend to which they are entitled.

The Provost's office explained that confusion could stem from the fact that some assistants are paid through research grants, and the University stipend increases reflected in the ranges below pertain to stipends paid by the University's general fund. Some departments may have held back all increases until research grants run out, Assistant Provost Herman King suggested, so that graduate assistants have equal pay. University money may not be added to the research grants, King said.

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Richard Aulerich: Trying to match mink with ferret.

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