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DELONG NAMED INTERIM VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE AND BUSINESS AT UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY

Stephen E. DeLong, Professor of Geology and Special Assistant to the President at the University at Albany, has been named Interim Vice President for Finance and Business at the University. DeLong will serve while a search is conducted for a successor to John A. Hartigan, who retired in December after holding that position for 17 years.

DeLong's appointment marks his third vice presidency at the University. He was Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs in 1981 and 1982 and Interim Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies from August of 1990 until this past September.

"We are fortunate to have a colleague of Steve DeLong's ability to ensure continuity in these core areas of the University," Albany President H. Patrick Swygert said.

The Vice President for Finance and Business oversees essential infrastructure and service activities of the University including the physical plant, contracts and purchasing, student billing, human resources management, financial planning and budgeting and safety. The vice president also plays a significant external role with the State University of New York Central Administration, the Division of Budget, and the State Legislature

DeLong joined the University at Albany in 1973 from Cal Tech. He was assistant chair of the Department of Geological Sciences from 1975 to 1979 and chair of the that department from 1983 to 1990. His area of research is the geochemistry of volcanic rocks.

DeLong was honored as a Collins Fellow at the 1991 Commencement. This is the highest honor the University at Albany bestows upon faculty members and it recognizes the winners' extraordinary devotion to the University and to the people in it over many years.

DeLong, his wife Nancy, and their family have resided in Rexford, NY, for 18 years.



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University at Albany Intersession Shutdown Saves \$235,500; 13.5 Percent More Than Last Year

ALBANY, NY, January 14, 1992 -- The University at Albany achieved an estimated total savings of \$235,500 in energy and payroll-related costs during a 16-day shutdown between semesters, University officials announced today.

This year's savings total represents a 13.5 percent increase over the \$207,000 savings achieved during a similar shutdown period during the 1990-91 academic year, even though the cost of energy and the average daily temperature were significantly lower than for the same period last year, according to J. Fredericks Volkwein, Director of Institutional Research, who coordinated both efforts.

For the period that began December 24, 1991 and ended January 9, 1992, the University at Albany saved \$144,000 in utilities costs and about \$91,500 in payroll costs, Volkwein said. Utilities savings were computed by comparing consumption during the shutdown period with the average of the three intersession periods prior to last year's closing, said Dennis Stevens, Assistant Vice President for Facilities and Director of the Physical Plant. The University used 53 percent less energy than during a "normal" holiday intersession, saving \$8,647 per day, Stevens said. Savings were achieved by reducing building temperatures to 50-55 degrees, as well as reducing lighting and other equipment use in the closed facilities.

Payroll savings of \$91,500 were computed by adding the following amounts: \$10,000 in salaries saved for temporary service employees who did not work; \$26,500 in salaries saved for full-time workers who voluntarily took leave without pay; and \$55,000 in estimated reduced accrual liability to employees who voluntarily used vacation time.

For the second year in a row, President H. Patrick Swygert had asked all of the approximately 3,000 University employees to help minimize layoffs and achieve cost savings by voluntarily taking leave time during the "intersession" period between semesters, a step which would allow the University to close most campus facilities. Of 84 facilities, 71 were included in the plan, and more than 98 percent of employees participated.

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President Swygert said he was delighted with the success of the program and grateful for the widespread support it received from the University at Albany community. "Savings of this magnitude are not achievable without cooperation and commitment," he said.

"I want to thank Dr. Volkwein for once again coordinating this effort, and all our faculty and staff for their cooperation. I especially want to thank the leadership of the unions that represent University employees. Physical Plant personnel under the leadership of Assistant Vice President Dennis Stevens worked diligently during the period to minimize utility usage while safeguarding building systems, and all employees who worked did so under less-than-ideal conditions.

"It is this kind of cooperative effort and community spirit that has positioned the University to be able to overcome the temporary fiscal obstacles in our path. With a \$2.1 million cut in our current budget and more cuts likely next year, everyone will be asked to make more of the same kinds of sacrifices."

Students and classes were not affected by the shutdown, which began Tuesday, December 24, 1991 after Fall semester examinations, and ended on Thursday, January 9. Spring semester classes resume on Thursday, January 23.

Note to media: For more detailed information on the closing and savings figures, Director of Institutional Research J. Fredericks Volkwein and Assistant Vice President Dennis Stevens will be available for comment on Tuesday and Wednesday at 518-442-5410 (Volkwein) and 518-442-3400 (Stevens).

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UNIVERSITY RESEARCHERS STUDY EXCESSIVE FORCE BY U.S. POLICE

Three faculty members from the University's Hindelang Criminal Justice Research

Center will work with a national organization of top police officials in identifying approaches

for dealing with improper use of force by police in America.

The study, supported by a \$150,000 grant from the U.S. Justice Department, will utilize the efforts of Distinguished Professor of Criminal Justice Hans Toch, whose book *Violent Men* is considered a classic in the study of police brutality; Robert Worden, an expert on field observational studies of police work; and David Bayley, widely recognized for his scholarship comparing American policing with police work in other nations.

The grant was received by the Police Executive Research Forum, an organization of police chief executives serving more than 30 percent of the country's population. It choose as its chief collaborators the team from Albany and the U.S. Treasure Department's Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, located in Glynco, Ga.

National attention on the problem of police use of excessive force has accelerated since the nationally broadcast videotaped beating of a Los Angeles man, Rodney King, by L.A. police officers in March of 1991. The National Institute of Justice (NIJ), the research arm of the Justice Department, has commissioned the study to frame the key issues facing the police profession and the nation concerning police brutality and its remedies.

"This is the first year of a three to five year commitment by NIJ to fund the study of this complex and important subject," said NIJ Director Charles DeWitt.

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Minor Fire on Downtown Albany Campus Quickly Extinguished

ALBANY -- City of Albany Fire Department personnel, working with University at Albany Security and Environmental Safety officials, quickly extinguished a minor early morning fire that is believed to have started in a mailbox at Brubacher Hall on the University's downtown campus.

The small fire immediately set off a smoke alarm, which sounded at 5:45 a.m. simultaneously at the University's Physical Plant and at Albany Fire Department headquarters, according to Donald Vonlinden of the University's Physical Plant department. Within minutes, the building -- which was only partly occupied because Spring Semester classes have not yet begun -- was evacuated, and the fire department had extinguished the fire by using approximately 40 gallons of water.

No one was injured, and damage was limited to water damage in the mailroom and approximately 12 burned mailboxes. The building was re-occupied, and a preliminary investigation by the Fire Department and University officials indicated the fire was of suspicious origin.

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BEST BUSINESS PLANS AWARDED TO STUDENTS

Three graduate students in the School of Business have been awarded a total of \$1,000 for innovative business plans in the School's third year of competitions.

The first-prize award, which was created by the Council for Business and Economic Development of the University at Albany Foundation, goes to Shelly Richer Johnson of Schenectady, who receives \$500 for her work with a local small welding business, which originally came to the School's Small Business Research Institute for assistance.

Prizes of \$250 for commendations went to Fred Doyle of Saratoga Springs, who proposed a unique kind of fabric store, and Michael Hickey of Troy, who designed an original approach to marketing furniture.

The competitive designs grew out of a University course, "Creativity and Entrepreneurship," which focuses on idea generation for business, and which requires that every student individually prepare a full business plan. A Spring semester course follows by addressing issues of running existing small businesses, and requires that each student serve as a professional consultant to a Capital Region business which would not otherwise be able to afford counselling.

Said Dean of the School of Business Richard Hughs: "This is an outstanding opportunity for business students to gain real-world experience, applying the principles they have learned from many different courses while helping business in the region."

The plans were judged by a panel of outside experts composed of Robert Schwartz, president of Robert W. Schwartz, Inc.; Robert Lazar, president and CEO of the New York State Business Development Program; and Steve Lobel, president of Impress Promotions. Financial support for the award comes from several local businesses and agencies.



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ETHNO-CULTURAL EXPERT TO SPEAK ON FORMER SOVIET UNION

Dr. Vladimir Ageyev, professor of social psychology at Moscow State University and a specialist in inter-ethnic relations and political psychology, will speak on "The Past, Present, and Future of Ethnic Relations in the former Soviet Union: The Task of Multi-Cultural Education," on Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 1:30 p.m. in Education Building Room 335.

Professor Ageyev is the author of more than 100 publications, including his book *Intergroup Interactions: Social Psychological Problems* (1990, Moscow University Press), which offers the most complete summary of his work.

He has spent over 20 years investigating inter-group relations to identify peculiarities of attitudes, systems of belief and values, and patterns of behavior within and between cultural groups. He has carried out international comparative studies on authoritarianism and egalitarianism in collaboration with American and German psychologists.

Dr. Ageyev has written widely about the practical and philosophical implications of his field, and argued for the importance of respect for ethno-cultural diversity, particularly at the end of a century marked by a cultural "centrifugal tendency," with many ethnic groups striving for decentralization and autonomy.

He is renowned for his social-psychological analysis of political events. He warned, for example, of a likely Soviet hard-line coup based on analysis of the social clash of the totalitarian personality and the emerging democratic attitudes. He is uniquely able to interpret the political through the lens of the social-psychological, as in a popular series of lectures where he analyzed the modern cultural, social and political evolution of Russia.

Dr. Ageyev's lecture and discussion are sponsored by the School of Education and the Department of Educational Theory & Practice.

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FORUM INSPECTS MEDICAID'S PAST, FUTURE

Assembly Majority Leader James R. Tallon and experts in the history and implementation of Medicaid will be on hand on Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 3-4, at the Rockefeller Institute of Government, 411 State St. in Albany, for a two-day forum commemorating 25 years in New York State for the U.S. government's medical insurance program for the poor.

"Honoring the Past, Commitments for the Future: New York State Medicaid's Silver Anniversary," will have as keynote speaker on Monday night Barbara Matula, director of the Division of Medicaid Assistance for the State of North Carolina, speaking on "Assessing the Past and Future Options."

On Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., two panels -- consisting of representatives from the State Legislature and academia, and health and social services officials from the state and county level -- will run concurrently: "Long Term Care: Priorities and Prospects," and "Prevention and Primary Care: Agenda for the 21st Century."

These will be followed by a noon luncheon and then the talk by Tallon, who was recently appointed chair of the Kaiser Foundation on Medicaid. He will speak on "The Role of Medicaid in Universal Health Coverage."

The forum, which begins with a cocktail buffet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday followed by the Matula talk, is open to the public, and interested parties can register by calling Kate Spiller at 463-1118 or Jean D'Allesandro at 442-5339.

Sponsors for the event are the School of Social Welfare of the University at Albany's Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy; Rockefeller Institute; the Federation of Child Abuse and Neglect; the New York State Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers; the Eddy Foundation; the Health Policy and Administration Consortium of the Capital Area; the New York State Association of Health Care Providers; the New York Association of Homes and Services for the Aging; the New York State Health Facilities Association; the New York State Public Health Association; and the New York State Association of Counties.

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FORMER CONGRESSMAN WILLIAM H. GRAY III TO KEYNOTE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. LUNCHEON ON FEB. 10 MARKING BLACK HISTORY MONTH AT THE UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY

William H. Gray III, president of the United Negro College Fund and the highest ranking African American in the history of the U.S. House of Representatives, will speak at the University at Albany on Monday, February 10. He is the keynote speaker for this year's Martin Luther King Jr. Black History Month Luncheon. The University's 13th annual tribute to Dr. King, his dream, and the contributions of African Americans throughout the world will begin at noon in the Campus Center Ballroom.

Sponsored by the University's Office of Multicultural Student Affairs and the Division of Student Affairs, the luncheon celebration is the premier event of Black History Month each February and one of the richest traditions at the University at Albany.

William Gray was elected to Congress in 1978 from Philadelphia. He became the first black member of Congress to hold a position in the House leadership. He served as Budget Committee Chairman, Chair of the House Democratic Caucus and Majority Whip. During the Reagan administration, Gray earned a reputation as a consensus builder and was chief pointman in budget negotiations between Congress and the Executive Branch. Gray also chaired the Democratic Platform Committee at the 1988 Democratic National Convention. He left Congress last September to become president and chief executive officer of the United Negro College Fund. At the time of his appointment Gray said: "This new challenge allows me to continue the mission of fostering positive change and growth in the area of education. There is no area more

crucial than education."

With his appearance at the University's Martin Luther King Jr. Black History Month Luncheon, Gray joins an illustrious group of keynote speakers which includes James Farmer, Julian Bond, Lerone Bennett Jr., and Parren Mitchell. The luncheon is also the occasion for the presentation of an award to a University community member who has demonstrated dedication and commitment to Dr. King's ideals through his or her performance and involvement.

Before being elected to Congress, Gray was minister at the Bright Hope Baptist Church in Philadelphia, like his father and grandfather before him. Gray, 50, graduated from Franklin and Marshall College in 1963 and from Drew Theological Seminary with a Masters of Divinity degree in 1966, and Princeton Theological Seminary with a Masters in Theology degree in 1970.

He was born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and resides in Reston, Virginia, with his wife, the former Andrea Dash, and their three children.

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PRESIDENT BUSH vs. WHOMEVER DIFFERENCES IN HEALTH CARE PROPOSALS SUBJECT OF FORUM ON FEB. 12

How the issues shape up for the 1992 Presidential Campaign will be the subject of three "Campaign Watch" public forums at the University at Albany this semester, beginning at 12:15 p.m., Wednesday, February 12, with a discussion of President Bush's health care proposals vis-a-vis those of his likely Democratic rivals.

This first "Campaign Watch" community forum, which is free and open to the public, will be held in the Campus Center Assembly Hall and will feature Lorna McBarnette, Acting New York State Commissioner of Health, and Dan E. Beauchamp, the author of UNY*Care, the health department's proposal for universal health insurance.

Future "Campaign Watch" forums are scheduled for March 18 on foreign policy issues and for April 22 when a range of domestic policy issues will be discussed. The provocative series will showcase faculty experts from the University at Albany and other area colleges as well as key state policy makers.

The health care forum, "Health Care Issues: Coverage, Cost, and Delivery," will be moderated by Dr. Karen R. Hitchcock, Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University. Arthur J. Roth, certified public accountant and chair of the Council for Business and Economic Development of the University at Albany Foundation, will kickoff the discussion with welcoming remarks. The council and the University are cosponsoring the series.

Each of four panelists will provide a brief discussion of the issues and then will comment on each others' perspectives. Questions and discussion from the audience will

be encouraged.

In addition to McBarnette and Beauchamp, the panelists are Dr. John M. Mendeloff, chair of the Department of Health Policy and Management, School of Public Health, University at Albany, and Dr. Janet D. Perloff, associate professor in the University's School of Social Welfare.

Additional biographical information on the panelists follows:

LORNA McBARNETTE

Executive Deputy Commissioner of Health of the State of New York since 1983, Lorna S. McBarnette has served as acting commissioner since February of last year. She has had extensive experience in hospital and health care administration including positions as Executive Vice President of St. Peter's Hospital in Albany, Associate Executive Director of Queens Hospital, and Associate Administrator of the Queens Affiliate of Long Island Jewish-Hillside Medical Center. McBarnette has won acclaim for her efforts at increasing access to health services.

DAN E. BEAUCHAMP

Dan E. Beauchamp just recently moved full-time to the faculty of the University's School of Public Health. Since 1988, he has headed the development of the New York State Department of Health's proposal for universal health insurance, called Universal New York Health Care or UNY*Care. Beauchamp was on the faculty at the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, for 16 years. He is codirector and principal investigator of a \$600,000 grant to demonstrate a regional approach toward reforming billing and payment for health care organizations through a claims clearinghouse and single payer organization.

JANET D. PERLOFF

Associate professor in both the University's School of Public Health and School of Social Welfare, Janet Perloff focuses her research on the access of disadvantaged populations to health care. This research centers particularly on the role of Medicaid and

other public programs in improving access to care. She has traced a range of factors influencing the access of low income women and children to health care. One of her studies investigated the use of primary, prenatal, and preventive child care by women and children residing in Chicago's inner-city. Another of her studies showed the differences of access for urban woman and children seeking obstetric and pediatric care, depending upon racial composition and income level of neighborhoods.

JOHN M. MENDELOFF

Specializing in economic analysis in health policy making, John Mendeloff has published on such issues as trauma care, organ procurement for transplants, and occupational health and safety. He earned his Ph.D. from Stanford University as a policy analyst.

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Quebec Hydro Power for New York to be Debated

New York State's prospective purchase of additional hydroelectric power from the Province of Quebec -- necessitating construction known as the Great Whale project -- will be dealt with in a round-table debate featuring environmental, economic and native peoples' viewpoints at the Rockefeller Institute, 411 State St., at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 13.

Two professors from the University at Albany's Department of Geography & Planning will represent the environmental position -- Roger Stump, on "Social and cultural dimensions of the environmental debate," and John T. Hayes on "Views of the physical environment of Northern Quebec." Joining them will be Roger Schetagne, senior biologist with Hydro-Quebec, speaking on "Reservoir Ecology: Hydro-Quebec, the Environment, and Great Whale."

The issue of how the Great Whale's proposed watershed will affect the homeland of the Cree and Inuit native peoples will be discussed by George Beauchemin, assistant deputy minister council of the Government of Quebec; Glen Cooper, member of the Grand Council of the Crees in Ottawa; and a to-be-named Inuit representative.

The economic questions regarding the supply of power needed by New York State and the purported boost to Quebec's economy will be discussed by Jacques Guevremont of the Hydro-Quebec power corporation and John Howard of the New York Power Authority.

Current debate involves the construction of Phase II, or Great Whale, of the James Bay hydroelectric project which will be required for the fulfillment of the scheduled fall 1992 contract between Hydro-Quebec and the New York State Power Authority. The contract calls for 1000 megawatts of electricity delivered per year to New York at a cost of \$19.5 million.

Environmental advocates have said that the project's watershed is a threat to the homeland of the Cree and Inuit as well as to a rich array of wildlife. According to Hydro-Quebec, prior governmental agreements provide safeguards for the needs of the hunting and trapping economies of the native communities of Northern Quebec.

Among the questions the round-table debate will deal with is, "If Quebec hydro-power is not purchased, what other energy options has New York State?"

The event is open to the public and sponsored by the University's Department of French Studies, Rockefeller Institute, and the Franco-American Federation of New York. Seating is limited; for reservations call 443-5240 or 443-5231.