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LATEST SOVIET DEVELOPMENTS TO BE DISCUSSED AT **FORUM** ON SEPT. 11

The drastic changes in the Soviet Union---an unsuccessful coup, the abandonment of the Communist Party, the emergence of the republics, and the uncertain future of the central government---will be discussed by faculty experts at the University at Albany at a public forum entitled "The Power of Glasnost," which will be held at 12:15 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11, in the Campus Center Ballroom.

Jointly sponsored by the University's Divisions of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs and the Student Association, the Campus Forum will feature a panel of scholars who will discuss the most recent developments in the Soviet Union and respond to questions and comments from the audience. The event is free and open to the public.

The panel includes Dr. Joseph Zacek, Professor of History and Director of the Russian and East European Studies Program. He is a Fellow of the Russian Research Center at Harvard University.

Forum panelist Dr. Helen Desfosses, Associate Professor of Public Administration and Policy, is completing a book on Gorbachev's foreign policy. The National Academy of Sciences, the Ford Foundation and the Hoover Institute at Stanford University have supported her research on the USSR.

A specialist on the culture, literature and history of the Soviet Union, Dr. Henryk Baran,

Chair of the Slavic Department, will also be on the panel. He travelled to the Soviet Union this summer, continuing some 20 years of research there.

Panelist Dr. Walter Goldstein, Professor of Public Policy and International Relations at the University's Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, was interviewed recently on British television, discussing the London Economic Summit with President Gorbachev's spokesman. Dr. Jeanne Gullahorn, Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies, will serve as moderator.

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SWYGERT PRESS AVAILABILITY TO DISCUSS MONEY RATINGS

ALBANY, Sept. 4, 1991 -- University at Albany President H. Patrick Swygert will be available on Thursday morning, Sept. 5 to discuss with the media the recent "MONEY Guide to the Best College Buys in America," and its significance to higher education in New York State.

President Swygert will be available to discuss the Money ratings on Thursday morning, Sept. 5 between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m., and between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. To arrange an interview, contact the Office of University Relations, at 518-442-3071.

The Money Guide rated two SUNY institutions, including the University at Albany, among its 20 "Best Buys" in public and private higher education in the United States, and six SUNY institutions among the top 50. They were: SUNY-Binghamton (7th), University at Albany (11th), SUNY-Buffalo (26th), SUNY-Geneseo (28th), SUNY-Stony Brook (32nd) and SUNY-Potsdam (46th).

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ACHIEVING SUPERFUND CLEANUPS

Mid-Atlantic, Great Lakes and Southeastern states--to study the various approaches.

In the report released today, titled "What Works? Alternative Strategies for Superfund Cleanups," the team concludes that "each strategy could deliver on some of Superfund's most important goals." However, none was capable of doing everything at the same time. "While we may all want a fast process, with a minimum of legalistic dispute, producing cleanup levels satisfactory to all parties, for which the taxpayers pay nothing, that combination of goals was not achieved in practice," they said.

The researchers summarized their findings and recommendations as follows: first, strategies varied in their applicability to particular sites. Thus the question of which strategy the government should use is less a matter of "what works" than it is "what works best under which circumstances." The research team recommended that the EPA adopt a more explicit strategy of fitting its settlement approach to the situation facing it at a given site. Second, for a large class of sites, the problems of gaining settlement are not particularly difficult. The common view that the program overall faces intractable settlement problems is overstated and based on overgeneralizing from "horror stories."

Lastly, the researchers advised the government to pull back from its insistence on achieving settlements without making concessions. In practice, they concluded, the government nearly always winds up settling for less, but such concessions have less to do with strategies for achieving settlement with private parties than they do with the internal demands of inter- and intragovernmental politics.

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University at Albany Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

Dr. Ricardo Fernandez, who will be inaugurated in October as the first Latino president of Lehman College, City University of New York will give a lecture about "Latinos and Cultural Diversity on Campus" at the University at Albany on Monday, Sept. 30, at 6 p.m. in the Campus Center Assembly Hall. This public lecture is part of Hispanic Heritage Month activities to be held at the University from Sept. 15 through Oct. 15.

Other activities planned for the month-long celebration include a Latino Heritage Dinner, also on Monday, at 7 p.m. in the Patroon Room. There also will be an open student forum on "Latinos and Sex Roles," held on Tuesday, Oct. 1, in the Campus Center Assembly Hall. Elia Hidalgo Christensen, director of affirmative action for the New York State Department of Civil Service, will serve as moderator for the discussion.

Hispanic Heritage Month is a period set aside to commemorate the contributions made by Hispanics throughout our nation's history. This celebration began on Sept. 17, 1968, when President Lyndon B. Johnson signed a proclamation designating that week as Hispanic Heritage Week. In 1988 a bill was passed extending it to a month. The month not only commemorates the independence of several Latin American countries, including Mexico on Sept. 16, but also Dia de la Raza on Oct. 12, which recognizes Columbus'

first voyage to the New World. The month is also an opportunity to focus national attention on the present-day concerns of the Latino community.

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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY SCHOLARS REPORT ON "WHAT WORKS" FOR
ACHIEVING SUPERFUND CLEANUPS

ALBANY, N.Y.--Superfund can work, according to political scientists from the University at Albany, State University of New York.

Superfund, a federal program for cleaning up the nation's hazardous waste sites, has been characterized as a failure. Critics charge that the program, which uses a combination of approaches, including liability provisions that make private party operators, generators and transporters responsible for cleaning up sites, takes too long, spends too much on lawyers, and produces too little for the sums expended.

However, professors **Thomas W. Church** and **Robert T. Nakamura** of the University's Rockefeller College of Public Affairs say that it's premature to sound a death knell for Superfund. Church and Nakamura released the findings of their 18-month study into what strategies work for Superfund at a press conference today at Clean Sites Inc. in Alexandria, Va.

Clean Sites, a private not-for-profit environmental group, commissioned a team of researchers from Rockefeller College to investigate what works in advancing environmental cleanup, and how the process of environmental settlement might be improved. In addition to Church and Nakamura, the research team included Phillip J. Cooper, a former faculty member now on faculty at the University of Kansas.

The researchers examined three broad alternative approaches to achieving settlement: prosecution, accommodation and public works. Prosecution uses Superfund's powerful liability doctrines to force parties to settle using court action. Accommodation stresses the common interests of government and private parties, and builds upon these to form a working partnership. The public works strategy has the government use its powers to handle the cleanup itself and then worry about recovering its costs. The researchers employed six case studies set in three Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regions--the

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PAPA GINO'S/UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY TEAM UP FOR PIZZA/SCHOLARSHIPS

Providing extra value for what has become a staple of the college student diet, Papa Gino's has entered an agreement with the University at Albany Fund to remit a quarter or \$.50 to a scholarship fund for each pizza delivered on campus.

Jake Beauvais, director of annual giving for the university, said that thousands of pizzas are consumed each week by the 7,000 students who live on campus and that they might opt for Papa Gino's if they know that some of the purchase price will go to scholarship recipients.

"The University is not trying to take sides in the local pizza wars," Beauvais said. "But if our students choose Papa Gino's, over time their peers will benefit."

The agreement, the first between a SUNY campus and the company, specifies that Papa Gino's Restaurant in Albany will provide \$.50 to the scholarship fund each month for every large pizza delivered on campus and \$.25 each for smaller sizes.

Papa Gino's of America, Inc. was founded in 1961 by the Valerio family of Framingham, Mass. The privately-owned chain now includes 219 fast service, family style restarants located throughout New England, New York and Florida. Papa Gino's restaurants specialize in pizza, pasta, and sandwiches, available for eat-in, take-out or home delivery.

For more information in Papa Gino's Scholarship Program and other charitable programs,
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**University at Albany Enacting New Security Measures
In Response to Misplaced Residence Hall Keys**

ALBANY, Sept. 11 -- The University at Albany is enacting new security measures in response to master keys misplaced by an Indian Quadrangle residence director.

Dennis Stevens, Assistant Vice President for Facilities and Physical Plant Director, said, "We are in the process of changing the external door locks on all nine Indian Quadrangle buildings. We are also in the process of reclaiming all master keys other than those issued to Campus Security and Physical Plant personnel."

Stevens and President H. Patrick Swygert waited to see if the keys were relocated before deciding to implement these measures. Other extra security measures which were enacted after the keys were reported missing on Monday evening, such as extra patrols by campus police, will continue "until this temporary security issue has been resolved," Stevens said.

He noted that there "is no evidence that the keys were stolen," nor any evidence of an increase in residence hall incidents.

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**Residence Hall Master Keys Found;
New Security Measures Remain in Effect**

ALBANY, Sept. 16 -- The University at Albany announced today that the Indian Quadrangle residence hall director who earlier reported that the residence hall master keys were misplaced has found them.

At the same time, said Dennis Stevens, Assistant Vice President for Facilities, new security measures enacted by the University after the keys were reported missing on September 9 will remain in effect.

"We are delighted to inform our students and the public that this temporary security issue has been resolved," said Stevens, "and we appreciate the mature, responsible way in which our students responded to the news and the new policies. We believed all along that the keys were misplaced rather than missing, and we reacted with appropriate deliberate caution."

Late last week, the University changed the external door locks on all nine buildings at the Indian Quadrangle.



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Panic Disorder Treatment Developed at the University at Albany to Get NIH Airing

ALBANY--A non-drug treatment for panic disorder developed by researchers at the University at Albany, State University of New York, will undergo peer review by a panel of the nation's leading psychiatrists and psychologists next week at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Md.

Dr. David H. Barlow, co-director of the University's Center for Stress and Anxiety Disorders and an internationally regarded expert in the field of anxiety disorders, will present details of the treatment pioneered at Albany at an NIH Consensus Development Conference from Sept. 25-27. Conference participants will evaluate the scientific soundness of the treatment, which utilizes educational and breathing techniques and heightened self-consciousness to aid sufferers. Positive endorsement from the panel would move the treatment from the research clinic into standard, acceptable clinical practice. The panel will also evaluate the effectiveness of medication approaches.

"Essentially they decide if the scientific evidence is sufficient for the government to say that we have an effective treatment," Barlow says, likening presenting the University's research findings with going before an impartial jury. Government backing will have "great impact on the delivery of service here and around the world," he adds.

Panic disorder is one of a variety of anxiety disorders afflicting nearly 3 percent of the U.S. population. "At the core of panic disorder is an experience of an unexpected panic attack -- the sudden rush of a feeling of fear with marked physical symptoms and a feeling of impending doom," Barlow explains. "People usually feel as if they must be dying or totally losing control."

Barlow, who holds the rank of distinguished professor at Albany, terms panic disorder a psychobiological disorder, having both physiological and psychological components. There are two primary methods of treatment: medication, which provides short-term relief, and the brief psychological intervention approach developed at the University. With the University's approach, patients undergo approximately 10 weeks of

non-drug treatment. Barlow says the treatment has "proven highly successful," and the results are still evident at a two-year follow-up.

In addition to Barlow, former Albany researchers Michelle Craske and Ron Rappe also participated in the treatment's development.

The Center for Stress and Anxiety Disorders, regarded as the largest clinical research program of its kind in the country dedicated to investigating the causes and new treatments for anxiety and stress, has a five-year, \$5-million grant from the NIH to study the separate and combined affects of both medication and the non-drug treatment, and to determine if there are any advantages to combining them. The departments of psychiatry at Yale, Cornell and Columbia universities are also participating in this multisite study.

Following the scheduled day and a half of expert presentations, a consensus panel will issue a consensus statement containing its recommendations on drug treatment as well as the new Albany treatment. The report is distributed widely to the health-care community and the public.



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University at Albany to Host Sino-U.S. Workshop on Global Change and the Greenhouse Effect

ALBANY, N.Y.--Changes in the global environment resulting from an increase in so-called "greenhouse gases" will be the topic when prominent scientists and researchers from the United States and the People's Republic of China convene at the University at Albany, State University of New York, next week for a three-day workshop on global change.

The scientists are participants in a bilateral agreement between the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the People's Republic of China's Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) to jointly study the climatic effect of increasing atmospheric greenhouse gases. The project, which gives scientists the opportunity to share information leading to a better understanding of the earth's environment and to improve climate predictions, includes global climate model development and application, climate data preparation and analysis, and trace gas measurements.

The U.S. venture with China is an example of international collaboration to study changes in the earth's environment, according to **Wei-Chyung Wang**, professor and head of the University's Atmospheric Sciences Research Center's (ASRC) Climate System Sciences Section. The ASRC, one of the U.S. institutions participating in the joint study, is hosting the upcoming workshop. It will take place from Sept. 30-Oct. 2 on the University's main campus, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany.

"China," Wang says, "has vast coal reserves, which, when used for energy, will be a future source of carbon dioxide emissions. Carbon dioxide and trace gases methane, nitrous oxide, and chlorofluorocarbons in the atmosphere are expected to enhance the greenhouse effect." (The gases absorb heat radiated from the earth, but are transparent to solar

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radiation. Since they act much like glass over a greenhouse, they are commonly referred to as greenhouse gases.) Additionally, Wang says China has climate data dating back hundreds of years that can be used to study past climate changes and to validate global climate models.

The workshop will bring together nearly 50 scientists, including a delegation of 20 from China, who will discuss the joint project's progress. The Chinese delegation, headed by Zhao Jianping, deputy director of the CAS' Bureau of Resources and Environment, will include representatives from the CAS' Institute of Atmospheric Physics and Institute of Geography. Michael Riches, of the DOE's Environmental Science Division, is the joint program manager. The opening-day session will also feature Ari Patrinos, acting director of the Environmental Science Division. (EDITORS: The meeting agenda accompanies this release.)

Wang, the U.S. principal scientist for the research effort and the workshop chair, says it will be "the most elaborate" gathering of the science team since the bilateral agreement was formally established in August 1987. "We're reaching the end of the first five-year phase. We will be meeting to discuss the scientific achievement to date, and also what are the scientific issues we need to address further to better understand the role of the greenhouse effect in affecting the global environment."

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University at Albany to Coordinate New Regional Project

The New York State Education Department has approved a \$234,000 proposal to develop "2+2 Tech-Prep" programs for secondary and postsecondary students in the Capital District. Ten area schools will participate in the grant through a regional consortium, which will be coordinated by the Two-Year College Development Center, a part of the University at Albany's **School of Education**.

The programs, in which students spend two years at secondary schools and two years at a two-year college, are designed to ease the way for students to successfully prepare for a variety of technical careers. They are aimed at students who did not think they wanted to attend college. The ten schools participating in the grant are the Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady Vo-Tec Centers, Schenectady County Community College, Hamilton-Fulton-Montgomery Vo-Tec Centers, Fulton-Montgomery Community College, Saratoga-Warren Vo-Tec Center, Warren Washington Vo-Tec Center, Adirondack Community College, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Vo-Tec Centers, Columbia-Greene Community College, and SUNY College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill.

The grant will result in a new "seamless" four-year curricula, beginning in the high school years and culminating in an associate degree. The funds are provided through

the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act, which is administered by the Education Department's Bureau of Postsecondary Grants Administration.

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John D. Roberts, A National Figure in Organic Chemistry, to Speak at University at Albany Oct. 8

One of the nation's leading organic chemists, John D. Roberts of the California Institute of Technology, will deliver the third annual Henry G. Kuivila Lecture at the University at Albany on Tuesday, Oct. 8. The program, which is sponsored by the Department of Chemistry, is free and open to the public.

Roberts, an internationally recognized expert on nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR), will discuss "Applications of NMR Spectroscopy to Medicine and Biochemistry." His talk will be at 5 p.m. in Assembly Hall of the Campus Center on the University's uptown campus at 1400 Washington Ave. A reception and banquet will follow.

Roberts recognized the importance of nuclear magnetic resonance for applications in organic chemistry. He wrote the first definitive elementary textbook about it over 20 years ago. He identified molecular orbital theory - and its importance in understanding interactions - decades before other chemists, according to Shelton Bank of the Department of Chemistry, who is co-chair of the lecture series.

Roberts has won virtually every major award a chemist can win in the U.S., including the prestigious Priestley Medal, the American Chemical Society's highest honor, in 1987, and the Pure Chemical Award, recognizing younger scholars, in 1954.

The lecture honors Henry G. Kuivila, who became an emeritus professor in 1988 after 24 years with the department. It was established with funds from Kuivila's friends, colleagues and former students.

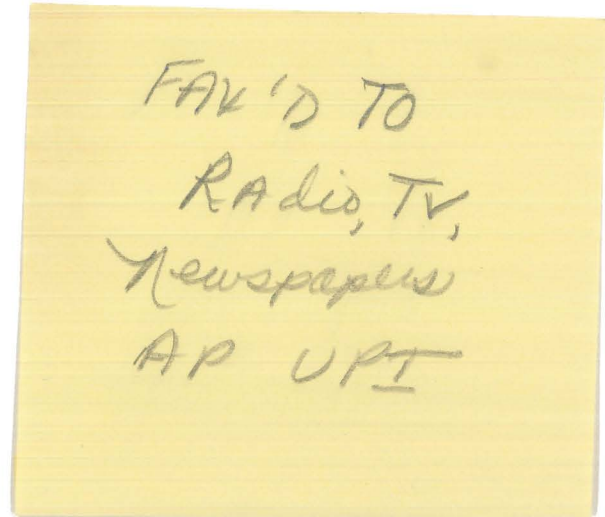


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**University at Albany To Honor
150 Faculty Authors & Editors**



ALBANY, NY -- One hundred fifty University at Albany faculty authors and editors, from Vincent J. Aceto to Joseph F. Zimmerman, will be in the spotlight on Wednesday, October 9, when the University honors those members of its faculty who published books and/or edited scholarly journals from 1990 through August 1991.

President H. Patrick Swygert will host the first University at Albany Authors & Editors reception on Wednesday, October 9, from 4 - 6 p.m. at the University Art Gallery. President Swygert and Tom Smith, associate director of the New York State Writers Institute, will address the honored authors and editors and invited guests.

The reception will also feature an art exhibit by University at Albany Fine Arts faculty; a display of the honored authors' and editors' work, mounted by the University Libraries; and a brochure that features the titles published, listed alphabetically by faculty member.

President Swygert noted that while 150 specific faculty members were being honored on October 9, the Authors & Editors Reception "is a celebration of the scholarship of the entire University at Albany faculty. We plan to make it one of a series of annual events recognizing our faculty achievements."

Karen R. Hitchcock, Vice President for Academic Affairs, said, "The books and journals produced by our faculty represent an extraordinary range of diverse scholarship and intellectual vitality. These scholars exemplify the University's commitment to the complementary missions of research and teaching."



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NYS AUTHOR AND POET TO BE ANNOUNCED

The New York State author and poet for 1991-93 will be announced at a press conference this Wednesday, Oct. 2, at 1:30 p.m. in the University Council Room of the University at Albany.

Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist and New York State Writers Institute Director William Kennedy, University President H. Patrick Swygert, and Tom Smith, Institute associate director and host of the nationally syndicated public radio talk program "Book Show," will be present in Administration Building Room 253 to make the announcement on the successors to novelist E.L. Doctorow and poet Robert Creeley for these state-wide honors.

The official New York State author and poet was first designated in 1985 through an act of the State Legislature, and is administered by the **Writers Institute**, which is based at the University. The initial state author -- officially the recipient of the Edith Wharton Citation of Merit for Fiction Writers -- was Grace Paley, in 1986. The Walt Whitman Citation of Merit for Poets was given to Stanley Kunitz a year later. Paley and Kunitz were succeeded in 1989 by Doctorow and Creeley.

Recommendations for the two designations come from four-person advisory panels. The author panel this year consisted of novelists Doctorow, Russell Banks, Bharati Mukherjee and Kennedy. The poet's panel was made up of Creeley, Molly Peacock, Charles Simic, and Smith.

Ceremonies honoring the state's latest literary torchbearers will be held on November 13 in the Legislative Office Building.

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