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ALBANY PROGRAMS TREAT CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM ANXIETY

The University's Center for Stress and Anxiety Disorders has two programs which help anxiety-troubled children aged six to 16.

Both programs are headed by psychologist Wendy Silverman. One program treats sufferers of general anxieties and phobias (fear of darkness, loud noises, crowds, dogs, etc.), the other treats those who fear school.

School phobias may result from a fear of teachers, other children, tests, speaking before a class, or may be rooted in family problems. Children who have been chronically absent from school for a year or more are not eligible for treatment.

Treatments are drug-free. Psychologists work with parents as well as children to help the children cope with and gradually overcome their anxieties.

For more information, call the Center at 456-4127. Dr. Silverman can be reached at that number, or at 442-4842.

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OCTOBER 5 AND 6

According to estimates of the Carnegie Foundation, corporate America spends nearly as much (\$40 billion) each year educating its employees as the total expenditures of the country's four-year colleges and universities. Governmental agencies spend as much or more on similar training programs. As part of a year-long study of some of the most involved corporations and agencies, educators from IBM, General Electric, Motorola, UAW-Ford Employee Development and Training Program, Johnson & Johnson, and the United States Post Office will meet at Rockefeller Institute of Government, 411 State Street in Albany, on October 5 and 6 to explain how they train their own employees to enhance productivity and performance.

The Educational Enterprises Conference, organized by the Professional Development Program at Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at the University at Albany, is designed to discover implications for New York State such as innovative teaching methods used by corporations and governmental agencies to develop a worker's professional knowledge and foster organizational development. The Professional Development Program operates the Public Service Training Program which coordinates continuing education for state agencies and public employees' unions statewide.

Agenda

Monday, October 5, 1987

2:30 Opening Remarks

Warren Ilchman, Acting Executive Vice President for Academic
Affairs, the University at Albany

Thomas J. Kinney Director, Professional Development Program

Project Findings

Michael Thompson, Associate Director, Public Service Training
Program

James B. Northrop, Senior Project Associate, PDP

Organization Culture

Richard Kennedy, Director, General Electric Management
Development Institute, Croton-on-Hudson, New York

4:45 Reception and Dinner

6:30 Delivery Methods

John Robinson, Manager of External Affairs,
Motorola Training and Education Center, Schaumburg, Ill.

7:15 Union Collaboration

Kenneth K. Dickinson, Ricardo P. Martinez, Co-Executive
Directors,
UAW/Ford Employee Development and Training Center,
Dearborn, Michigan

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Agenda

Tuesday, October 6, 1987, Rockefeller Institute of Government, 411 State St.

- 8:30 Organizational Planning
James DeVito, Director, Corporate Management Training and
Development, Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick, New Jersey
- 9:15 Investments in Training and Development
John Bowsher, Director, IBM Corporate Management Development
Center, Armonk, New York
- 10:15 Collaboration in Educational Design
George Dean, Vice President of Educational Research and
Development, DeVry Institute, Evanston, Ill.
- 11:00 Innovations in Government
Don Geik, Director of Program Planning and Educational
Development, Governor's Office of Employee Relations
David Dubois, Bolger Management Academy, United States Post
Office
Peter Giovannini, Manager of Training and Research Division,
Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and Peter
Tomalonis, Assistant Manager

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**FALL NATURAL HISTORY LECTURE SERIES BEGINS AT THE
UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY**

The Natural History Lecture Series, organized each year by well-known area meteorologist Ray Falconer, will begin its 26th season on October 6. That evening, and consecutive Tuesdays through November 17 (except November 3), the University at Albany's Atmospheric Sciences Research Center and the state Department of Environmental Conservation will feature free lectures on a variety of science topics. They will begin at 8:00 p.m. in Lecture Center 7 on the uptown, University at Albany campus, just off Washington Avenue.

The first fall lecture on October 6 will feature Dr. Alan Meltzer, a professor of physics and astronomy at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Meltzer's illustrated presentation will pose the question, *E.T. -- Are You There?* It will consider the possibility of life elsewhere in the universe and will describe the current efforts in the search for that life.

Meltzer's talk will begin following a brief, illustrated discussion of the day's weather. In future weeks, other scheduled lectures will include:

October 13--*The Dawn of the Supercollider.* University at Albany professor of physics, Walter Gibson, and professor of economics, Donald Reeb, will speak about the proposed superconducting supercollider. It will be the largest particle accelerator yet.

October 20--*Origin of the Earth's Moon -- The Latest Breakthrough.* John Delano, assistant professor of geo-chemistry at the University at Albany, will present recent

evidence that the moon was blasted off from the earth during a collision some 4.5 billion years ago.

October 27--*A Naturalist Looks at Florida.* A slide presentation by Bob Budlinger, director of the Bureau of Environmental Education at the state Department of Environmental Conservation, looking at observed changes in Florida's flora and fauna in recent years.

November 10--*From the Four Corners of the Earth -- A Look at People and their Environment.* Kay Teale, professor of physical education at the College of St. Rose will present a slide show on how people across the world view their environments.

November 17--*El Nino - Its Devastating Effects Along the West Coast of South America.* Union College biology professor Carl George will talk about the El Nino phenomenon.

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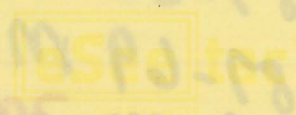
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SENIOR CITIZEN VOLUNTEERS TO BE HONORED ON OCTOBER 8

More than 600 senior citizen volunteers from Schenectady and Albany counties will gather at the Convention Center of the Empire State Plaza at noon on Thursday, October 8, for the annual recognition luncheon of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). The awards ceremony should begin at 1 p.m.

Mayors Thomas Whalen, Karen Johnson and Ronald Canestrari; Assemblymen Richard J. Connors, James Tedesco, Paul Tonko and Michael McNulty; Colonie Supervisor Fred Field, and Commissioner Richard Healy of the Albany County Office for the Aging and Handicapped will be on hand to present certificates of recognition to each senior with more than 500 hours of volunteer time. The highest award, the RSVP-University at Albany Public Service Award, will acknowledge the contribution of a very special volunteer considered to have provided exemplary service.

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program is coordinated through the University at Albany Office of Public Service and is funded by the University, the Albany County Department of Aging and Handicapped, members of the community and ACTION, a federal agency. Some 850 volunteers participate in the program, contributing 150,000 hours of service this past year.

Volunteers are assigned to serve at nonprofit agencies and perform many different jobs such as clerical duties, reading for the blind, making home visits to the elderly, giving telephone reassurance to latch-key children, gleening crops after farmers' harvests, sorting donated food at area food banks, and tutoring children.