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## Field House shut before VIP game

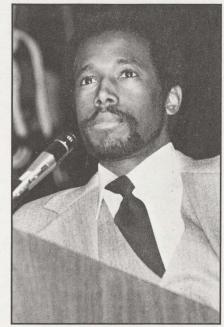
Gallaudet's Field House will be closed beginning about 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1, in preparation for the second annual Congressional Charity Basketball Tournament to be held in the building that evening.

Teams of Democratic senators and representatives, and their Republican counterparts, will square off in the competition beginning at 7 p.m.

Security personnel will be arriving about 4 p.m. to clear the Field House of all people. Employees and students are asked to stay out of the building until the game begins.

Tom McMillen (D-Md.), former Washington Bullets player, and Carl Pursell (R-Mich.), will be the coaches for the event. Team captains are Tom Downey (D-N.Y.) and Mike Oxley (R-Ohio).

Tickets for the game can be purchased through members of Central Administration, deans, and the President's Office. They will also be available at the door. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2 for children, and free to Gallaudet and MSSD students.



Dr. Benjamin Carson, director of pediatric neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, speaks to MSSD students Feb. 19 for Black History Month. Carson gained international recognition as a surgeon during the recent separation of West German Siamese twins who were joined at the head. The operation was performed at John's Hopkins.

### Ingold resigns as Gallaudet provost

Dr. Catherine Ingold has resigned from her position as provost of Gallaudet University to become the president of The American College in Paris,

Ingold announced her resignation Feb. 22. It will become effective June 1, and she will begin her new position in July.

Ingold told Faculty Senate members at their meeting Feb. 22 that she had planned to announce her plans for resignation at the meeting, but word was already out by that time. "As usual, the Gallaudet grapevine is more effective than any high tech communication device," she quipped.

Becoming president of The American College "is something that in many ways, because of my field, is a dream come true," Ingold said. "I would not leave Gallaudet to go just anywhere, but this is very special."

Ingold was offered her new position by Pierre Salinger, chairman of the Board of Trustees at The American College and chief foreign correspondent of ABC News. "The choice of Dr. Ingold came after a long search that spread over six months and originally included some 125 candidates for the post," said Salinger. "We are proud of our choice."

Ingold has held the position of provost, the chief academic officer at Gallaudet University, since March 1986. Prior to that, she was dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and chairwoman of the Department of Foreign Languages.

She began working at Gallaudet in 1973 as a faculty member in the Department of Foreign Languages, was the first director of the Honors Program at the University, and has also been chairwoman of the Collegiate Faculty. She continues to serve as chairwoman

of the Central Administration Management Team.

"Dr. Catherine Ingold is that rare individual who combines broad academic experience and administrative skills with a very deep sense of caring and personal commitment," said Jane Bassett Spilman, chairwoman of the Gallaudet University Board of Trustees. "The Board is deeply grateful for the exemplary manner in which she handled her position as provost."

Ingold received her Ph.D. in French from the University of Virginia, and her master's in romance languages from the same institution. She received her undergraduate degree from Hollins College in Virginia and also holds a diploma in French from the University of Paris.

Procedures for appointing a new provost will be determined by the Board of Trustees and Gallaudet's new president, according to Ingold.



Dr. Catherine Ingold

# Lane disputes 'psychology of deaf'

Deaf people are immature, isolated, impulsive, aggressive, and suspicious, according to many texts about the psychology of deaf people. They also have poor self-awareness, poor conceptual thinking, are irritable, paranoid, and temperamental.

Although that's what about 350 textbooks and reports say about deaf people, Dr. Harlan Lane, holder of Gallaudet's Powrie V. Doctor Chair of Deaf Studies, disagrees.

"I have been shocked and concerned with what I read," Lane told a group at a lecture on "Is There a 'Psychology of the Deaf'?" held Feb. 15 in the "Ole Jim." The lecture was the first in a series of four by Lane, sponsored by the Psychology Department and the Gallaudet Research Institute.

While reading about 350 articles and books about the psychology of deaf people, Lane said he began making a list of attributes of deaf people. The adjectives were presented as the outcome of scientific testing such as the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory (MMPI), Scholastic Aptitude Test, and Rorschach.

Lane then categorized the adjectives into four groups: social aspects, of which "immature" was the term Lane encountered most often; thought processes, which included poor conceptual thinking and poor insight; behavioral terms, which included impulsive, aggressive, immature, and rigid; and emotional terms, which included emotionally immature, paranoid, and temperamental.

"After a year I had a very discouraging list," said Lane, a psychologist and professor at Boston's Northeastern University.

The lists are inconsistent, Lane pointed out: deaf people are variably described as aggressive and submissive, naive and shrewd, detached and passionate. "I suspect we're dealing not with science but with stereotypes," he told his audience.

From his analysis of testing methods, materials, and results, Lane has concluded that "there is no psychology of the deaf. In fact, I'm not even clear that there can be one."

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He noted, "Common sense tells you that deaf kids are suffering emotionally and educationally by lack of communication. But we must have tests that are valid tests of the behavior of deaf people, and we don't have them."

Lane pointed out a number of weaknesses in tests intended to measure deaf people. Administration of the tests is frequently unclear and unreadable, he said. The language is incomprehensible. Scoring is influenced by the prejudices of the examiner. Test reliability is low, validity is generally unavailable, and test content is unrelated to deaf experience and schooling.

"Deaf children can't know what they're supposed to do if they don't understand the instructions," Lane said of test administration. One study showed that IQ scores for deaf children could be influenced by 30 points depending on how instructions were presented.

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## Senate supports budget negotiations

Gallaudet's Faculty Senate voted overwhelmingly on Feb. 22 to postpone a vote on a Committee E (Compensation) resolution for the administration and Board of Trustees to grant full parity and a 5 percent pay raise for faculty.

The senate's reasoning behind the action was that to support the motion at this time would in effect negate its position taken Feb. 3 that Committee E, the administration, and the University Council would continue negotiations to work on developing a clear and consistent set of budget figures.

One of the reasons given by the senate was that to support Committee E's facts on the budget situation could jeopardize reconciling differences between the administration and the senate.

A report on the progress of the negotiations will be made to the senate at its March 21 meeting. The faculty

agreed that at that time, Committee E's motion might be more appropriately considered, and the faculty's position may be given to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees.

The Executive Committee is scheduled to meet periodically in March, at which time faculty concerns about the administration's decision on salaries may be aired.

In another topic, Senate Chairman H. Neil Reynolds reported to the senate that a task force established by the Central Administration Management Team, representing the various constituencies of the Gallaudet community, is meeting to prepare an academic program review to present to the new University president to assist in planning.

Deans, department chairs, and program directors, as well as the faculty governance system, will be involved in the program review.

## Deaf stereotypes untrue says Lane

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Most deaf clients are not fluent in English, so they do not understand the content of the tests, he pointed out. Many experts say that an eighth or 10th grade reading level is needed to understand personality tests, and the average deaf person in the United States has a fourth grade reading level.

Tests are also biased toward hearing people, he said, such as the MMPI, which asks those being tested to choose yes or no for "I would like to be a singer" to help determine extroversion or introversion.

Raters of tests also do not agree with each other, Lane said, and parental ratings correlate poorly with other test

To have a psychology of deaf people, said Lane, valid generalizations about deaf people are needed—ones which concern thought processes or behavior, distinguish deaf people from everyone else, and are related to deafness.

"I propose that we psychologists need to involve deaf people themselves at all levels of research undertaken," said Lane. Deaf people need to be recruited and trained, he noted, and researchers should turn to the deaf community as advisers and collaborators in collecting, analyzing, interpreting, and disseminating results.

#### Theatre wins honors

"Servant of Two Masters," a recent production of Gallaudet's Theatre Arts Department, has received five Certificates of Merit from the American College Theatre Festival.

The awards went to students Cayetano Adamo for his performance as Truffaldino, Paul De Sandro for his voice rendition of Truffaldino, and Jeff Rosfelder in the role of Florindo.

Gilbert Eastman, professor in the Theatre Arts Department and director of the play, received a Certificate of Merit for his American Sign Language translation of the play-the first time that the festival has presented an award for translation.

Jeffrey Grandel, associate professor, received his ninth award from the festival, this time for his set design.



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University of Maryland student Ronald Heneghan and Gallaudet student Cheryl Lundquist rehearse a scene from "Children of a Lesser God," recently performed at Gallaudet.

# **Announcements**

Effective March 13, 1988, Gallaudet employees will be covered by Sun Life dental insurance. Sun Life will provide the same level of coverage as Hartford, the previous carrier, at a lower rate. Dental plan brochures will be distributed to employees shortly. For more information, call the Benefits Office at

The Department of Safety and Security (DOSS) will tow vehicles abandoned on campus to the Sixth Street overflow parking lot. Owners will have 30 days to remove their vehicles and are responsible for towing charges. After 30 days, DOSS will notify the D.C. Metropolitan Police Department to tow vehicles to city lots. For more information, call DOSS at x5445.

The Gallaudet University Alumni Association's (GUAA) D.C. Chapter will present the Body Language Dancers, a group of hearing dancers from Massachusetts who perform in sign language, at MSSD's auditorium on Saturday, March 5 at 8 p.m. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$6 for students and senior citizens. For tickets, contact Hilary Ainbender at 8-5823, 8-5825, or 890-3712 (TDD) eves.; Vivian Barker at x5311 or 890-4416 (TDD) eves.; Adele Shuart at 474-0012 (TDD) eves.; and Bernice Turk at x5033 or 725-4110 (TDD) eves.

The Gallaudet Community Relations Council will hold its Eighth Annual Benefit Basketball Game on Saturday, March 19, at 7 p.m. in MSSD's gymnasium. Gallaudet staff, faculty, students, and Fourth and Fifth District D.C. police officers will play WKYS radio employees. Tickets cost \$1 for students and \$2 for adults and are available from La Varne Hines, College Hall, Room 4, x5263; Al Couthen, KDES, x5167; Sharon Long, MSSD, x5333; and Leslie Proctor, PACE, x5044.

Dr. Harlan Lane, Powrie V. Doctor Chair of Deaf Studies, will speak on "Paternalism, Deaf People and the Third World" on Monday, March 7, from 2:30-4 p.m. in the upper level of "Ole Jim." For more information, call Graduate Studies and Research at x5400.

The following PACE courses will begin in early March. "Review of Braille Contractions," "Introduction to Lotus 1-2-3," "Interpreting for Deaf-Blind People," "Chair Caning," "Oriental Art of Self-defense," "Art of Photography," "VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance)," "Tai Chi Chuan," "Keeping in Shape: Exercise for Fun and Fitness," "Independent Living Skills for the Visually Impaired," "On Your Feet: The Essentials of Foot Care for Persons with Diabetes," "An Introduction to the Overlock Machine (Serger)," "Exercising Your Way to Decreasing Job Stress,' "Women in America," "Lamaze (Pre pared Childbirth)," "Exploring the Hidden Job Market," "Basket Making," "Volunteer Opportunities for Senior Citizens," and "Newborn Care." Registrations for the April 2 tour of the "Hillwood Museum" must be received by March 11.

For more information, call x5044.

Although it cannot finance participation, the International Center on Deafness announces the following conferences for those who wish to attend on a personal basis. The Third World Convention of World Organization of Jewish Deaf will be held April 24-30 and the Israel Seminar on Current Issues on Deafness will be held April 26-27, both in Tel-Aviv, Israel. The 35th World Assembly sponsored by the International Council on Education for Teaching will be held July 18-22 in Sydney, Australia. The dead-line for papers is March 1. The 16th World Congress of Rehabilitation International will be held Sept. 5-9 in Tokyo, Japan. For more information, call Eli Savanick at ICD, x5585.



People using the lower level of Merrill Learning Center can expect inconveniences until March 11 while carpeting ruined in a flood last July is being replaced.

### People recruited for visits abroad

Mobility International is currently recruiting candidates to participate in exchanges to China, the U.S.S.R., and Germany in 1988.

About 15 individuals, both disabled and non-disabled, will be recruited for each trip. The visit to China will take place in April, the visit to the Soviet Union in July, and the trip to Germany (exclusively for youth) in late July.

Participants will spend approximately 20 days in each country. In China, visitors will learn about the application and philosophy of eastern medicine and its ramifications on rehabilitation practices. Meetings in all three countries will be held in schools, factories, homes, and within the community.

Mobility International, based in Eugene, Ore., is developing information about the exchanges, including costs and departure dates.

For additional information write to Susan Sygall, Executive Director, Mobility International U.S.A., P.O. Box 3551, Eugene, OR 97403, or call (503)

#### Classified Ads

FOR SALE: Shop-Vac wet/dry vacuum, 10 gal., 1/2 yr. old, \$45; Leading Edge Model D personal computer monitor, amber, 1 yr. old, \$50. Call Jeff or leave message, 971-8810 (TDD).

FOR SALE: Teakwood trundle bed w/mattresses, \$150; teakwood dresser \$100; teakwood desk w/2 drawers, \$100. Call Jennifer, 572-7031 (V/TDD), 4-8 p.m.

FOR RENT: 1-BR condo w/den, 1/2 mi. from New Carrollton Metro, \$465 plus util. Call Frank, eves., 322-7297 (V/TDD) or 434-8566 (TDD).

**WANTED:** Nonsmoking housemate(s) to share townhouse in Seabrook, Md., 1 or 2 bedrooms w/pool, 6-mo. lease, available April 1. Call 794-5758 (TDD).

FOR RENT: 2-BR condo w/balcony in Forestville, Md., 10 mi. to Gallaudet, close to beltway, Metro, buses, walk to shopping malls, private, corner top-floor unit, w/w carpet, W/D, pool, tennis courts, play area. Lease term neg. Available now, \$600/mo. plus elec. Call 570-4079 (V/TDD).

FOR SALE: '79 Datsun 280ZX 4-seater, AC, power everything, 5 speed, exc. mechanical cond., needs minor restoration, \$1,600/BO. Call 556-6210 (V/TDD) days or 255-2762 (TDD) eves.

**WANTED:** Nonsmoking female roommate to share 2-BR apt. in Mt. Pleasant, D.C., \$320/mo. plus 1/2 util. Call Susan, 483-1140 (V) days or 232-5889 (V) eves.

## Job Openings

Some of the advertised positions may already be filled. The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD).

RESEARCH ASSISTANT: Center for Auditory and Speech Sciences

REGISTRATION ASSISTANT: Records

HOUSING OFFICE ASSISTANT: Residence

SUPERVISOR, CUSTODIAL SERVICES: Physical Plant

THIRD CLASS ENGINEER: Physical Plant

THREE TENURE-TRACK FACULTY POSI-TIONS: Department of Communication Arts

TEMPORARY INSTRUCTOR/ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH: English Department