

University clearinghouse receives grant

Thanks to the receipt of a five-year federal contract, the University Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) Clearinghouse on Educational Management will continue operation.

The clearinghouse competed

with other institutions around the country to receive the contract from the National Institute of Education, part of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

It submitted a proposal explaining how it would carry out specific goals and how much money it would need to operate.

Although the ERIC Clearing-

house receives a small amount of money from the University, it could not have continued operation without federal support, according to Stuart Smith, assistant director and editor of the clearinghouse.

"We had high hopes we'd receive the contract," Smith says. "Three years ago we had very se-

vere competition and it wasn't easy getting the contract. We won this year because of the strength of our technical proposal which explains the scope of our work."

The ERIC Clearinghouse on Educational Management is one of 16 clearinghouses in the country funded by the federal government. Each clearinghouse collects

information on publications in one particular field of education such as curriculum or teaching methods.

The information—indexing and abstracting of articles—is sent weekly to Bethesda, Md. where it is collected and printed into two monthly catalogs. The catalogs are disseminated to educational institutions all over the nation.

The University Clearinghouse office is located in the front hall of the main library. However, the office does not serve walk-in requests but the ERIC index and abstracts are on file in microfiche readers in the Education Psychology library.

Class guide gets facelift for spring

The ASUO Course Guide is turning "professional," says director Rich Riegel, which means that they have a printing contract and a deadline to meet for course evaluations.

That deadline this term is February 17 say Riegel, but there is an advantage to the early deadline. Students will be able to get the Guide by the middle of dead week, about March 8.

"By now all professors supposedly have received Course Guide information forms," Riegel says. He says it's simple to fill out and return them and even easier this term due to a "streamlined" form that allows professors to merely add or delete information from previous evaluations.

"If there's only a change or two from last term, just anotate those changes to tell us what's occurred," says Riegel.

This term's Guide will include "almost every University program," Riegel says. For the first time they're "going to include descriptions of all the PE service classes."

Riegel extends his "thanks to all professors who contributed evaluations last term" and wants "to encourage them to respond again." He says the Guide's effectiveness is at the "mercy of the professors."

"Response has been really good" so far, he says. He continues that most professors now take the publication seriously, "it's not the high school rag it once was."

Riegel thinks the Guide now has a "more valid, more professional form," and with the early arrival date it will be something students can plan around, it will be something they can count on.

The Guide, Riegel hopes, is "becoming more of a newspaper, becoming more timely." Eventually, he hopes to encompass an ASUO calender and a list of special events.

Foreign flags fly on campus



Photo by Erich Bockelheide

The University is celebrating the New Zealand holiday of Waitangi Day by flying the New Zealand flag below the U.S. flag on the flagpole in front of the campus post office.

The flag is part of a program to honor special holidays in countries represented by students at the University, according to Pat Olsen of the EMU.

The New Zealand flag, one of 14 received by the University from consulates of the home countries of foreign students enrolled here, will be replaced by another flag later this week.

Waitangi Day marks the date in 1840 when Great Britain gained all territorial rights and sovereignty in New Zealand.

Sixty-six foreign countries are represented by students enrolled at the University this year.

Midwestern architect is guest here

A prominent architectural theorist will deliver a guest talk Wednesday at the University.

Hanno Weber, associate professor of architecture at Washington (Mo.) University and the director of the St. Louis, Mo., Community Design Center, will speak on "Community Development and User Participation" at 7:30 p.m. in Room 177, Lawrence Hall.

His talk, sponsored by the University Department of Architecture, will be open free to the public. The program is one in a series dealing with contemporary architectural practices.

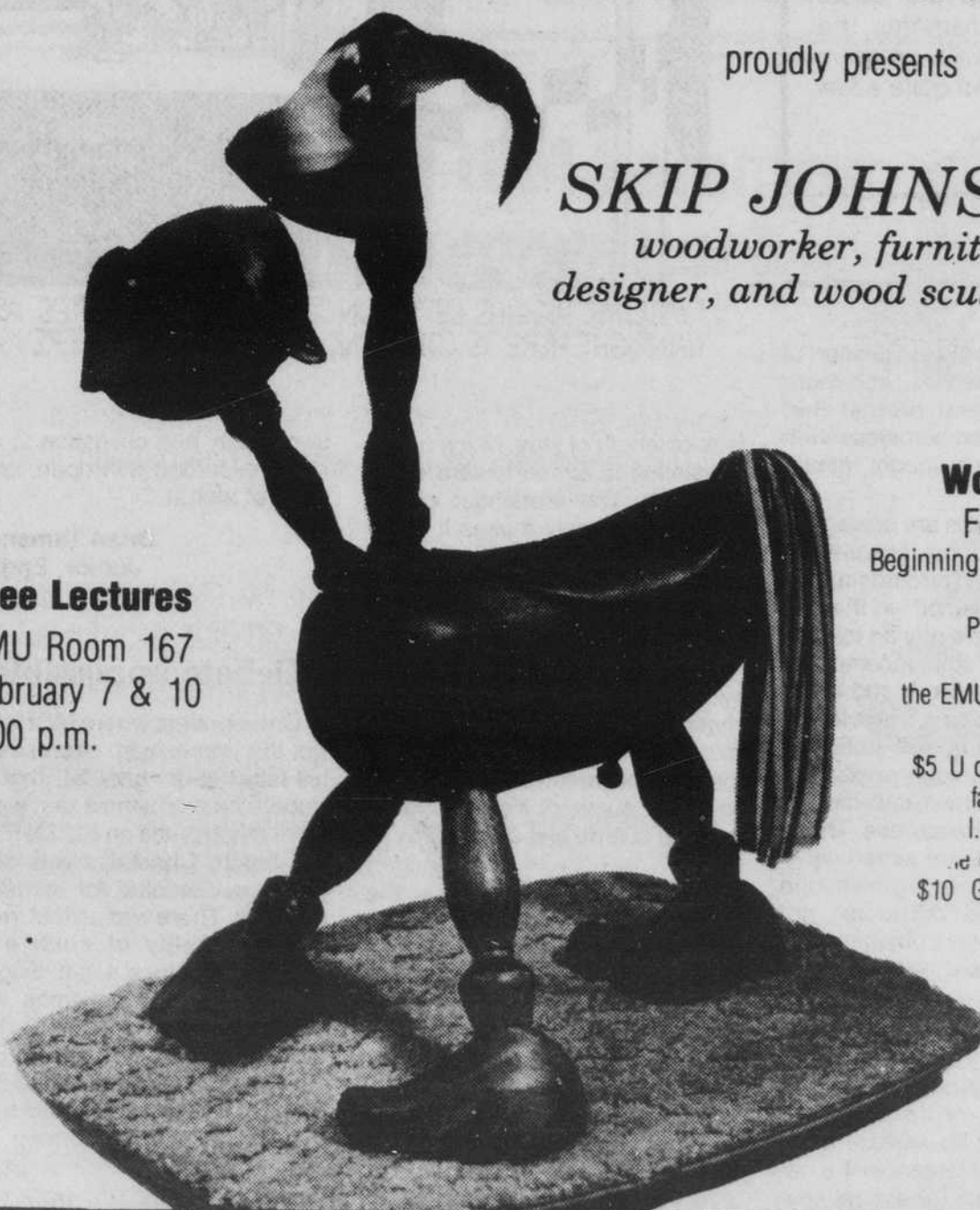
Weber is a noted design methods theoretician. Winner of the 1974 Design Methods Group Prize, he is currently writing a book on the techniques of user involvement in design.

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