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## Summer Commencement Details

Summer Commencement at Northeast is right around the corner, and final preparations are now under way. The ceremony is scheduled for 7 p.m. (not 7:30 p.m. as had been listed in the General Bulletin) Aug. 9 on the campus quadrangle. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in Baldwin Auditorium.

Sen. James L. Mathewson, President Pro Tem of the Missouri Senate, will give

the commencement address. (See related article.) More than 200 bachelor's, master's and education specialist degree candidates will graduate during the ceremony.

This summer the University has made a change in the distribution of diplomas. Both graduate and undergraduate students will be individually announced and receive their diplomas as they cross the stage.

A reception will be held on the Circle

Drive immediately following the ceremony. In case of rain, the reception will be moved to the Quiet Lounge and Activities Room in the Student Union Building.

Vice President Jack Magruder said that everything is moving along smoothly and the ceremony promises to be a positive and memorable experience for families and graduates alike.

## Mathewson to Deliver Commencement Address



Senator James L. Mathewson, President Pro Tem of the Missouri Senate, will deliver the address at summer commencement exercises, at 7 p.m., Aug. 9, on the quad. Mathewson

sponsored Senate Bill 353, which will appear on the November ballot as Proposition B. If passed by the voters in the November general election, Proposition B will provide an estimated \$385 million for the support of higher, secondary and elementary education, and job development.

"Sen. Mathewson has displayed unending support for higher education. He not only sponsored Proposition B, but he also saw his time and efforts nearly consumed by ensuring its successful passage. I have served in higher education in three states and I believe Sen. Mathewson's work is the finest piece of visionary legislation I have seen. It demonstrates his commitment to education in Missouri."

President Warren said.

Mathewson was first elected to serve in the Missouri House of Representatives in 1974 and was reelected twice.

In 1980, he was elected to the Missouri Senate. He is presently serving his third term as senator of the 21st District that includes Benton, Cooper, Hickory, Lafayette, Morgan, Pettis, Saline and St. Clair counties.

In November 1984 and 1986, Mathewson was elected Majority Floor Leader of the Senate. He was unanimously elected by his peers to serve as President Pro Tem of the Missouri Senate in January 1989 and reelected in January 1991.

Mathewson has served as chairman of various Senate committees and is presently serving as chairman of the Administration Committee and of the gubernatorial Appointments Committee; Vice Chairman of the State Budget Control Committee; Vice Chairman of the Rules, Joint Rules and Resolutions Committee; Vice Chairman of Elections and

General Laws Committee; and Vice Chairman of Apportionment Committee.

Mathewson has been recognized as one of the five most effective members of the Missouri Senate in 1983 by the *Missouri Times*. He received the Meritorious Public Service Award in 1984 by the *St. Louis Globe Democrat*. The News Tribune Co. named Mathewson Statesman of the Month in February 1990 and Statesman of the Year for 1990. He received the James C. Kirkpatrick Excellence in Governance Award in 1991.

Originally from Warsaw, Mo., Mathewson attended Redding College and California State University at Chico, Calif. He holds an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from Missouri Valley College.

He has long been established in Sedalia, Mo. He is presently owner and manager of National Valuation Services, Inc. in Sedalia and Springfield, Mo., and Mathewson Broadcasting KDRO. He is active in community and area activities and is an avid sportsman.

## Ewell to Participate In Planning Document Workshop

Peter Ewell, a senior associate at the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS), will address Northeast faculty and staff who are participating in the planning docu-

ment workshop Aug. 1 and 2. NCHEMS is a research and development center founded to improve the management effectiveness of colleges and universities.

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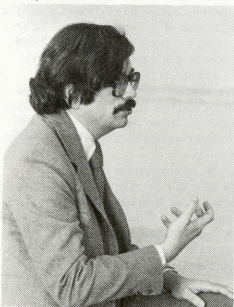
## Ewell cont.

The workshop will focus on future planning and ways to improve the "total" learning environment. Ewell is widely sought after to speak on assessment and has written five books and numerous articles on improving undergraduate instruction through assessment of student outcomes. He will provide insight and input to the group on Northeast's assessment program.

Ewell first visited Northeast in 1983 as an NCHEMS consultant to evaluate the University's assessment program. Since that time he has assisted with Northeast's mission change plan and editing the *Five-Year Planning Document*.

A member of NCHEMS since 1981, Ewell's work focuses on assessing institutional effectiveness and outcomes of college. He conducts research and consults with institutions and state systems on collecting and using assessment information in planning, evaluating and budgeting. He has consulted with more than 100 colleges and universities and 15 state systems of higher education on topics including assessment, program review, enrollment management and student retention.

Prior to joining NCHEMS, Ewell was coordinator for long-range planning at Governors State University. A graduate of Haverford College, he received his doctorate in political science from Yale University in 1976.



Peter Ewell

## University Players Present *The Nerd*



The University Players, under the direction of Dr. Lee Orchard, director of the Theatre Department, will present the comedy *The Nerd* at 8 p.m., Aug. 1, 2 and 3 in Baldwin Hall Little Theatre. *The Nerd* is a side-splitting, two-act comedy written by Larry Shue, author of *The Foreigner*, and is the second pro-

duction of the Theatre Department's summer season. The show is free and open to the public.

Pictured are cast members (seated) Jay Markham, junior communication/media major from Holts Summit, Mo.; (l-r) Doug Erwin, senior communication/speech major from Sylacauga, Ala.; Jennie Forrest, sophomore communication/theatre major from St. Louis; Audrey Crabtree, senior communication/theatre major from Raytown, Mo.; Scott Wyatt, sophomore English major from Oskaloosa, Iowa; and (top) Dirk Pointer, a freshman from St. Peters, Mo.

Orchard, formerly chair of the Humanities Division and Director of Theatre at Christ College Irvine in Orange County, Calif., recently joined the Fine Arts Division. Orchard holds a master's from Northwestern University and received his doctorate from the University of Oregon. Throughout the past 14 years, he has directed more than 30 college mainstage productions. Most recently, his 1990 production of *The Foreigner* was recognized by the American College Theatre Festival with an award for Meritorious Achievement.

## Ford Selected as Part of Kellogg National Fellowship Program

Duane Ford, assistant professor of agronomy, is one of 45 Americans selected by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation for Group XII of its Kellogg National Fellowship Program (KNFP). The 1991 KNFP members were chosen from a field of 842 people who submitted comprehensive applications in which they detailed past professional and personal accomplishments and stated future goals, including their self-designed plans to expand their knowledge.

The program began in 1980 to help the nation expand its pool of capable leaders. It is structured to increase individuals' skills and insights into areas outside their chosen disciplines so they can deal more creatively and effectively with society's complex problems.

Each Fellow receives a three-year grant of \$35,000 to fund his or her own self-designed plan of study. During the next three years, Ford will participate in educational seminars structured to strengthen his leadership skills.

"To be an effective leader today requires more than expertise in a single area," said Norman A. Brown, the Foundation's president and chief programming officer. "Those aspiring to leadership roles will need to be adept at solving complex problems in the world community."

Ford is a member of the Missouri Catholic Conference Family Farm Network; the Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society; the American Society of Plant Physiologists; and the American Society of Agronomy.

As a volunteer, he works to promote public understanding of agriculture and general community development. He is an advocate of farm diversification, recycling, and career opportunities in agriculture.

Ford earned his bachelor's degree in agronomy at the University of Illinois, Urbana. He earned both his master's and doctoral degrees in crop production and physiology at Iowa State University—Ames.