

Young adult children of divorces being studied

By CHRISTINE MURRAY
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Young adults who were children of divorce are the subject of a study being conducted by two faculty members in the College of Human Development.

"The young adult child of divorce is a virtually unstudied group," said Michael A. Smyer, associate professor of human development.

The Penn State study was inspired by another study conducted two years ago that involved persons between the ages of 40 and 60 who had been married an average of 25 years before their divorce. Many had children

age 16 or older and reported relying on their children for emotional and economic support in day-to-day living, he said.

Smyer said during the study it became clear that the children's lives had been affected in many ways.

"We thought it would be interesting to look at the other side of the coin," Smyer said, referring to the young adults.

The study will determine how the different generations of a family rely on family support, he said. When parents with older children are divorced, three generations of that family are affected: the children, their parents and their grandparents, Smyer said.

The study will survey people between the

ages of 18 and 23 whose parents were divorced within the last three years, Smyer said.

Smyer said he urges people who are in this category to agree to an interview, stressing that the interview will be kept confidential. He also said if the individual being interviewed needs help coping with any problems, they will find help for them.

Smyer said he will be asking questions about the current situation of the family, how advice these people would give others in the same situation and how the individual views marriage or even dating after their experience.

Smyer said he hopes to identify common

elements in young peoples' experience of their parents' divorce, both positive and negative, and he also hopes to uncover facts to help people cope with their parents' divorce.

Also, Smyer said he frequently mentioned problems and factors that helped people cope with divorce will help others with similar problems.

Discussing experiences often helps the people involved, Smyer said. In their study of mid-life divorce, every respondent expressed willingness to be interviewed again, he said.

The study is expected to continue through Fall Semester, Smyer said, and he hopes to interview 50 people. Ten people have been interviewed since the study began.

An informal gathering will be planned for all participants after the study is completed, Smyer said. The survey is not receiving funding, so the participants cannot be paid, Smyer said.

Gunhild O. Hagstad, assistant professor of human development, will be processing data collected from the study. In addition, some graduate and advanced undergraduate students will also be working on the study, conducting interviews and working on advanced data.

Anyone who is interested in the study but does not want to be interviewed, can contact Smyer at 865-1447 or Terry Cooney at 863-3972, to complete a questionnaire.

Green thumbs up for PSU turf prof

By KIM BOWER
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If the grass is always greener on the other side, then Joe Duich, a University agronomy professor, or one of his turf management students, must have been working on that side.

"Duich calls his work with turf management 'urban agriculture.'"

"The only difference is this is a kind of agriculture where we're not harvesting," Duich said.

"We're involved in a specialized agricultural commodity," he said, where everything relates to turf.

More than a million acres of turf grass cover home lawns, golf courses, parks, cemeteries and athletic fields in the United States, he said. Other countries, such as the Soviet Union, do not have nearly as much, Duich said.

People want grass to be relatively green and uniform in appearance and do not like to see bleaches of any kind, Duich said.

The two-year turf management program teaches students how to deal with lawn problems and lawn maintenance. Many graduates work for lawncare at golf courses and country clubs, as well as landscaping and sod growing firms. The lawn care industry is a relatively new and fast-growing area that also employs turf managers, Duich said.

Duich is working with different methods of turf care to control the speed and "trueness" of a golf ball as it rolls across a putting green. Graining, the tendency for grass to lay in one direction, prevents consistency when putting, he said. The grass on golf courses should be kept as upright as possible to get rid of the grain, he said.

Duich is also studying the effects of mechanical

thinning and brushing of the grass, which may be cut to only three thirty-seconds of an inch in height. When brushing different types of grass, Duich said he looks for differences in disease, control of color, mowability — if the grass can be cut cleanly — and density.

"The biggest thing people object to is having to mow the lawn so much," Duich said.

One of the problems with people's lawns is that they are allowed to grow too high, and are then mowed too short, Duich said. The rotary mower allows this to happen because the grass can be chopped off in one mowing, he said.

With "real mowers," people did not dare to let the grass grow too high. If they did, it would need to be raked and then mowed again, he said.

Other problems include planting in poor soil, seeding with inappropriate grasses, weed infestation, and mowing too close to the ground.

PSU Food Science prof is No. 1 ice cream man

By MARK KIRBY
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When Phillip Keeney was growing up on a dairy farm in New Jersey, he probably never thought people would someday be referring to him as the nation's No. 1 ice cream expert.

But his notoriety and expertise in the field of ice cream have earned the University's Food Science department head this title.

From his years of experience, Keeney said he has noticed several trends in both favorites and consumption of this favorite dessert.

Commenting on one of the favorite stops for every student, parent or tourist, Keeney said the University Creamery produces about 100,000 gallons annually.

But 100,000 gallons is not a lot of ice cream compared to the millions of gallons produced by major companies each year, he said.

Of all these 100,000 gallons produced annually, Keeney said that student favorites are bittersweet mint, coconut chip, cherryquist, peanut butter ripple, vanilla and chocolate.

Consumption of these favorites, as well as all ice cream, varies with the weather, Keeney explained. He estimated that 15 percent of the Creamery's yearly output is consumed in July, as opposed to 5 percent in January.

But before the season, super-premium ice creams are the current trend, he said.

Keeney said that the "tendency of Americans is that something from Europe is better."

But foreign ice cream representatives have told Keeney that American ice cream is superior. Ice creams such as Haagen-Daz and Frusen Gladje have 60 to 100 percent more fat and less air than regular ice creams. But Keeney noted that Haagen-Daz and Frusen Gladje are not European inventions, but names made up by their companies. Haagen-Daz, for example, was invented in the Bronx, he said.

Contrary to popular belief, ice cream is not fattening — a typical cone has roughly 150 calories which is comparable to a can of beer, he said.

Regular ice cream is 60 percent water, whereas diet ice cream is 70 to 80 percent water.

The latest break-through in ice cream is the use of improved gums, the materials that keep the water mobilized in ice cream, Keeney said. The newer gums increase ice cream storage life and keep it fresher.

He has taught a 10-day ice cream course at the University for the past 28 summers. The course attracts ice cream representatives from across the country and covers topics such as formulations, ingredients, processing and food science technology.

In 1948, Keeney earned his bachelor of science degree in dairy technology from the University of Nebraska. Later, he worked for two years in a Minnesota milk drying plant as an assistant manager before going to Ohio University, where he earned his master's degree in dairy technology.

He received his doctorate in dairy science from Penn State in 1955 and began working in the University's dairy department.

Keeney has appeared on the Today show and several other talk shows and was featured in the July 4 issue of People magazine. Keeney said that his family "thought it was great" when he appeared in the national publication.

Leadership school teaches students skills

For the 35th year, the University's Conservation Leadership School this summer has helped many high school students learn and practice good conservation skills at the Stone Valley Recreation area.

Harry Weaverling, a staff member of the Continuing Education Program, sponsors of the conservation school, said he is anticipating 50 students will attend the third camp of the summer, beginning on Sunday.

The school was started in 1948 by Charlie Stoddard, then a University faculty member.

Stoddard developed the program to

introduce high school students to outdoor recreational sports, program director James Hamilton said.

The program has changed throughout the years, Hamilton said, and now emphasizes environmental and conservation issues, leadership skills, politics and public speaking.

The students, ages 15-17, stay in platform tents at the Civil Engineering Camp of Stone Valley during their two-week stay, Weaverling said.

This year, the University scheduled three two-week camps during the summer.

The program consists of formal

classroom instructions and also includes field trips and practical field work, Hamilton said.

At the first camp, the students conducted water quality assessments on two streams and worked with several energy projects, he said.

During each camp, the students participate in a mock public hearing, Hamilton said. For this activity, the students are split into two groups; each group must decide how it would rezoned a 125 acres parcel of land.

The Conservation Leadership School is the first of a three-part program. The second part, the Ad-

vanced Conservation Leadership School, emphasizes leadership responsibilities and is open to students who have a genuine interest in the conservation movement, Hamilton said.

The program is also held at the Civil Engineering Camp and is scheduled for Aug. 14 to 20.

Held in the spring, the third part — the County Conservation Camp Director's Workshop — is designed to teach the participants how to conduct a county or local conservation school, Hamilton said.

—by Jacqueline Mitchell

Jordan asks groups for nominees

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vice chairman, Grubb said. With an application and nomination deadline of Oct. 15, Grubb said the president hopes to get the committee together by late next week.

When Jordan appointed Bartoo as acting executive vice president, he said no job description for the position existed. Although the University

Board of Trustees created the position on Nov. 19, 1971, it did not specify a job description.

And until Bartoo's appointment, the post had never been filled.

Working without a job description, Bartoo has been working in the Office of the Provost, handling that office's responsibilities and other duties Jordan has assigned him.

Asbury, formerly the University's affirmative action officer and assis-

tant to the provost, indicated Wednesday that the executive vice president will assume the responsibilities of the University's chief academic officer, Grubb said.

The executive vice president's job description, which Grubb said he drafted, also states that the vice president will act for the president in his absence.

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- Interlandia will meet and dance from 7:30 to 11:30 tonight in 301 HUB. All are welcome.
- The Hill Foundation is having Traditional Services and Kiddush at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at 224 Locust Lane. Call 237-2408 for further information.
- The Krishna Yoga Society is sponsoring a Free Vegetarian Feast from 7:30 to 11:30 tonight in 301 HUB. All are welcome.
- The State College Cycling Club is sponsoring a 20-mile Bellefonte-Valley View Loop Ride beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday. Riders should meet at Central Parklet. For more information, call Stephanie Spiller at 238-7765.

police log

- The State College Police Department received a call at 6 p.m. Wednesday from an unidentified male saying a bomb was set to go off in Chambers Building. University Police Services said the building was checked but nothing was found.
- Jon Bierly, a foreman at the Maintenance Building, told University police Wednesday that three gallons of paint were missing from a construction site near the HUB. The paint is valued at \$48, police said. —by Michael J. Vand

Judges may be selected on merit

Move would require constitutional amendment by state Senate

By BEVERLY M. PAYTON
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A constitutional amendment providing for merit selection of appellate court judges, rejected in 1969, may again have its day in court if a bill before the state Senate wins judiciary committee approval.

Supporters of merit selection say it would remove judges from involvement in partisan politics. Merit selection would require a constitutional amendment or approval by a two-thirds majority in both houses of two successive sessions of the legislature. The senate is expected to vote on the bill this fall. However, final approval would be determined by the voters on a statewide referendum.

At a public hearing held on July 13 to discuss merit selection, the judiciary committee itself was divided on the issue, he said. Some agree with the merit selection plan philosophically, but fear that it would not work in practice.

Those favoring merit selection of judges compare the current partisan election selection process to a lottery.

"If asked who was running, I think most constituents would be hard pressed to provide names, much less discuss qualifications," Jubelirer stated in his petition.

Pennsylvania voters had to decide among 34 candidates seeking nine vacancies on the three courts during the May primary elections. Seven competed for one seat on the Supreme Court, 17 for five seats on the Superior Court, and 11 for three vacancies on the Commonwealth court.

The Pennsylvania Bar Association, in an attempt to assist voters in making informed choices, had its judiciary committee issue "ratings" of the candidates before the election.

Each candidate was asked to complete an 11-page questionnaire, which covered all phases of his business, professional, and personal life, and included an authorization form, allowing other institutions to release files, records and credit reports.

In addition, a two-person investigating team was assigned to each candidate to conduct interviews with persons familiar with his qualifications. The bar then issued its evaluations for each candidate based on categories of competence, temperament, integrity and a category it called "special qualifications."

'My gut reaction is that it's going to be an uphill fight.'

—David Atkinson, executive assistant to state Sen. Robert C. Jubelirer, R-Blair County

Police charge suspect in 4 indecent exposure incidents in past week

University Police Services charged a State College man yesterday in connection with four indecent exposure incidents during the past week.

Daniel C. Stull, 478 E. Beaver Ave., was arrested yesterday at about 9 p.m. after a woman complained to police that a man was exposing himself on Shortridge Road near Walnut Building.

Police said 20-year-old Stull fit the description given by the victim and she subsequently identified him. Stull is employed by the University, police said.

Stull was also charged in connection with three other incidents.

The first occurred near the Visual Arts Building on July 22.

The other two happened Tuesday outside Shields Building and on University Drive near the Forest Research Laboratory, police said.

Stull was taken before District Justice Keith Bierly and charged with four counts of indecent assault.

He was released on nominal bail, police said.

A hearing is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Central Court.

—by Michael J. Vand

Last month a joint resolution was introduced by state Sen. Robert C. Jubelirer, R-Blair County, proposing an amendment to the Pennsylvania constitution providing for merit selection of supreme, superior, and commonwealth court judges.

"Concern has been expressed about the expensive campaigning and advertising and the increasing need for judicial candidates to solicit contributions and partisan endorsements . . . and those who set their sights on a higher judicial post may feel compelled to enter controversial or issue a dramatic ruling as a means of gaining public notoriety," Jubelirer said in his petition to the senate in May.

'Too many young, inexperienced people right out of law school get voted into appellate courts.'

—Judge Joseph F. O'Klicki, Johnstown

States using merit selection establish a judicial selection committee to screen candidates and recommend a list of qualified persons to the governor. The governor then makes an appointment from one of the names on the list. At the end of a short term the appointee runs in a retention election in which the voters decide whether the judge shall remain in office. If retained, he remains in office for a longer term, usually from 10 to 12 years.

"My gut reaction is that it's going to be an uphill fight," said David Atkinson, executive assistant to Jubelirer.

Eisenstein also said that nominating committees and governors can influence the selection process by playing certain nominating games. For instance, the commission can "load" or "rig" the panel of nominees with names they know the governor will not pick because they are either political enemies or are of the opposite political party. The governor would thus be forced to pick the nominee favored by the committee.

Atkinson said the senate judiciary committee is still working out the specifics for a merit rating plan. They must still decide who would be on the nominating committee, how many choices would they present to the governor, and what criteria would be used in evaluating candidates.

"Right now we are trying to come up with a broad-based, bipartisan selection panel composed of four legislative leaders, two common pleas court judges, and two members of the bar," Atkinson said. "The governor would also pick three citizens to sit on the panel."

he concedes that Pennsylvania "needs a change." He proposes selecting judges on a regional basis, but he says would provide fewer candidates, and allow the voters to be more familiar with them.

He would also like to see certain minimum selection criteria established, specifically with regard to the amount of trial court experience a candidate for an appellate court must have before being considered.

O'Klicki also said he thinks a minimum age requirement should be established for appellate court candidates.

"Too many young, inexperienced people right out of law school get voted into appellate courts," he said.

James Eisenstein, University professor of political science, said, "You can never eliminate politics from the judicial process, the question is whose politics do you want to play?"

With merit selection, you simply change the politics, diminishing the power of the political parties and enhancing the power of the governor, Eisenstein said.

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