By Craig Chamberlain
News Bureau Staff Writer

The identity of “Deep Throat” is no longer a mystery, at least not for one investigative journalism class at the UI. After four years of work, involving more than 60 students over eight semesters, UI professor Bill Gaines and his current class believe they know the identity of the anonymous source who helped two Washington Post reporters expose the Watergate scandal.

Gaines, the Knight Professor of Journalism, who won two Pulitzer prizes as an investigative reporter for the Chicago Tribune, announced their conclusions April 22 at The Watergate Hotel in Washington, D.C. Joining him, first at an afternoon news conference and then at a dinner for D.C.-area alumni, were two students from his spring 2002 class, Thomas Rybarczyk and Kelly Soderlund.

At the same time as the news conference, news releases were e-mailed and faxed about the investigation and its results, and a new Web site was posted: www.deepthroatuncovered.com.

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The man they’ve identified as “Deep Throat” is Fred Fielding, a lawyer who was first assistant to John Dean, chief counsel to President Richard Nixon, at the time of the Watergate break-in. Gaines and the students make their case with extensive documentation.

“Everything that we have, we show there’s a document,” Gaines said. Unlike many previous speculations on the source’s identity, “it’s not interpretation, it’s not guesswork,” he said.

Fielding fits all the personal characteristics of “Deep Throat,” as described by Washington Post reporters Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein, through their newspaper, stories, their book “All the President’s Men” and the movie of the same title.

But Gaines and his students also can prove that Fielding was one of a very few who knew about several “important, closely held revelations” at the time when “Deep Throat” was passing them on to Woodward, Gaines said. With other pieces of information, they cannot prove that Fielding knew, but can show he had access to the information and therefore could have known.

“There’s very little that we do not connect with him,” Gaines said, and nothing that shows Fielding couldn’t have known everything that “Deep Throat” knew.

“He was in a position to observe the cover-up without being accused of taking part in the conspiracy himself,” Gaines said. Fielding knew about important conversations, helped inventory key documents, and “probably contributed from employees’ paychecks. The transition payments, repayment notes and overdue notices will be mailed to employees’ home addresses.

The change in pay date and service date for academic employees at Urbana is a cost-containment measure the university is undertaking to reduce the number of payrolls being run for the three campuses. The change also will better align the service calendar with the instructional calendar set by the Urbana Senate.

More information about the transition payment program and payroll change is available on the provost’s Web site at www.provost.uiuc.edu/provost/announcements/ upp.html or by contacting Academic Human Resources, 333-6747.

Program to ease pay-date transition

Academic faculty and staff on the Urbana campus who anticipate cash-flow problems when their pay date changes this fall will be able to get assistance from a short-term transitional payment program offered by the university.

Beginning in September, continuing academic employees with 12-month appointments who are paid monthly will begin receiving their paychecks on the 16th instead of the 21st of the month. Employees who are paid biweekly will not be affected. Continuing academic staff with 12-month contracts will receive their final monthly checks for FY 02/03 on Aug. 21. Then they will receive a paycheck on Sept. 16 for the period Aug. 21 to Sept. 15. Employees will receive their next paycheck Oct. 16 for the period Sept. 16 to Oct. 15. Because the Sept. 16 check will be issued five days earlier than usual, it will be prorated. Employees at any salary level who need help meeting their financial obligations as the new system is implemented can elect to obtain a supplemental payment in the amount of $500, $1,000 or $1,500 on either Sept. 16 or Oct. 15.

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Fund established to support international faculty and staff members

By Shartza Forest

Assistant Editor

An International Support Fund has been created to provide emergency financial assistance to faculty and staff members who incur unforeseen expenses because of immigration and travel regulations, according to Earl Kellogg, associate provost for international affairs and chair of the International Support Task Force, a campuswide committee concerned with the needs of international students, faculty and staff members.

Currently, citizens from 25 designated foreign countries are subject to mandatory registration with the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services (BCIS), formerly the Immigration and Naturalization Service. International students, faculty and staff members must go to the Chicago BCIS facility for registration, an annual process during which people are fingerprinted, photographed and interviewed by federal officials.

“For many, the federal registration policies and travel restrictions weren’t part of the process when they came to the United States,” Kellogg said. “Therefore, these new costs were not anticipated. The fund is a way to say to our international students, staff and faculty members, you are an important part of our university.”

The fund also is intended to mitigate the financial burden some internationals are experiencing when their employment visas and schoolings are disrupted by the new regulations. People from certain countries and scholars in certain science and technology disciplines are experiencing lengthy delays in obtaining visas and security clearances to enter the United States.

A scholar in the College of Education missed a semester of teaching because his return from Lebanon was delayed 21 days, Kellogg said.

Several students also missed the spring semester of classes because they were unable to return from China after the March break, said Ivo Emmanuel, director of the Office of International Student Affairs.

“The delays with the visas is a national problem,” said Carol Buss, director of the Office of International Faculty and Staff Affairs. “Our professional organization is trying to help with getting these clearances through faster. If they have any problems at an embassy, we usually try to help with that, although if they’re still stuck for a security clearance there’s not much we can do.”

Concerns they may be unable to re-enter the United States if they want to travel to other countries are causing some international faculty and staff members to forego not only professional conferences held in other nations but visits with loved ones as well.

Presented resolutions of appreciation to Robert Fossum, outgoing chair of the Senate Executive Committee, and Charles Colbert, vice chancellor for administration and human resources, who is retiring July 1.

Helping hand

Carol Buss, director of the Office of International Faculty and Staff Affairs, says several international faculty and staff members have experienced long delays in obtaining travel visas. About 1,600 international faculty and staff members worked on the Urbana campus and more than 3,600 international students were enrolled during fall 2002.

“People not being able to travel freely so they can go home to visit family is a big issue,” said Alireza Namazifrad, a research scientist in computational science and engineering. “I have friends who think about these (regulations and restrictions) too much and it affects their work. Sometimes it causes some depression.”

Buss said she met with several people prior to their registration appointments to help them prepare and referred a few people to colleagues who already had undergone the process. Buss said she has had no reports of any faculty or staff members running into problems during their registration.

As a show of support, staff members from the Office of International Student Affairs transported and accompanied some students to the Chicago office for their appointments when the registration process began during fall 2002.

“Some of the students who are Muslims had to go during the Ramadan period, which meant they (had to) pray five times a day,” Emmanuel said. “The van left at about 4 or 5 in the morning to get there on time. The students were certainly grateful that my staff actually stopped on the highway at dawn for them to do their prayers. I think students found that particularly sensitive to their own needs.”

Other resources on campus that international faculty and staff members and students may turn to for help include the Faculty-Staff Emergency Fund, the emergency loan program through the Office of International Student Affairs, and the Faculty-Staff Assistance Program.

“We’ve recently integrated internationally these days that we simply have to be able to have world-class people involved with our academic community here, and we don’t want to see that diminished,” Kellogg said.

More than $2,000 has been collected for the International Support Fund so far, Kellogg said. Members of the Urbana campus community are encouraged to demonstrate their support for their international colleagues by donating to the fund.

More information about the International Support Fund is available on the International Programs and Studies Web site at www.ips.uiuc.edu/isf.shtml, which contains a link to the UI Foundation where donations can be made. Donations by mail should be sent to: UI Foundation, Harker Hall, 1305 W. Green St., MC-386. Make checks payable to U\BI/International Support Fund.

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Tell me about your job.
I work for a grant-funded program, Great Lakes Quality Improvement Center for Disabilities (Great Lakes QIC-D), Special Education, which provides workshops to Head Start teachers throughout Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin. We also produce various publications, and I do the layout and editing on a newsletter called Research Update, which is about people with disabilities and the people who work with them.

There are 11 people working for the grant, so I have 10 bosses. I do tons of photocopying and travel vouchers. ‘Walking the vouchers’ is my favorite part of my job because I’m a real people person. I enjoy going on errands all over campus and talking to people I know in the different offices. The grant for the program is going to end Aug. 31, and then I’ll go to another position (as a secretary III) where I will work for several people in special education and the College of Education.

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was shown specific FBI reports and helped prepare important White House staffers for FBI or grand jury testimony.

Even in one case where “Deep Throat” provided incorrect information regarding the amount of money distributed to several Watergate burglars, it helped make the case for Fielding, Gaines said.

Ironically, Dean has given Fielding a “complete pass” in his own extensive work to identify “Deep Throat,” Gaines said, because Fielding personally assured Dean he was not the source. (Woodward has said that “Deep Throat” has denied being “Deep Throat” to his colleagues, Gaines said, “so in order to be ‘Deep Throat,’ you have to deny having been ‘Deep Throat.’”)

Among his positions since Watergate, Fielding was the chief counsel to President Ronald Reagan for five years, served as a member of the George W. Bush-Dick Cheney transition team, and currently is a member of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks. He is “among the most respected minds in government,” Gaines said.

The project began in 1999 as a class-room exercise in investigative journalism, and was ideal because so much about Nixon and Watergate was documented and in the public record. Gaines said. He also thought the mystique of “Deep Throat” would motivate students and get them interested in history. “It’s exciting to do a real investigation that people really care about,” he said. Gaines and his students began with a pool of potential candidates that theoretically included everyone in Washington, D.C., during the time of Watergate, and then began a wide-ranging process of elimination.

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2003 Campuswide award-winners honored

By Greg Jaeger
News Bureau Student Intern

Fourteen UI faculty members, four academic professionals and five teaching assistants were honored for excellence in teaching and advising students April 28 at the annual Instructional Awards Banquet.

Faculty winners of the Campus Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching are Dorothy L. Espelage, educational psychology; Kimiko Gunji, art and design; Craig Koslofsky, history; Richard S. Laugesen, mathematics; and Edward McAuley, kinesiology.

Instructional staff winners of the award are Donna J. Charlevoix, atmospheric sciences; Peter S. Sheldon, advertising; and Robert C. Steltman, English.

Graduate teaching assistants who received the award are Tobias Barske, Germanic languages and literature; Trent W. Maurer, human and community development; James Nelligan, history; Srinivasan Sitaraman, political science; and Catherine M. Waitinas, English.

Jonathan Hale Foreman, professor of veterinary clinical medicine, and Laurie Reynolds, professor of law received the Campus Award for Excellence in Graduate and Professional Teaching.

The honors are the principal awards for instruction at Illinois. The award recognizes professors, instructors and graduate teaching assistants who display consistently excellent performance in the classroom, take innovative approaches to teaching, positively affect the lives of their students, and make other contributions to improved instruction, including influencing the curriculum.

Faculty members who are selected for the award receive $5,000 and a $3,000 raise; instructional staff members receive $4,000 and a $1,500 raise; graduate teaching assistants receive $3,500 and a $1,000 increase in their stipends.

Others honored at the banquet:

- Steven Helle, professor of journalism, and Arlette I. Willis, professor of curriculum and instruction, were recognized as University Distinguished Teacher/Scholars. The program promotes excellence in teaching by honoring and supporting outstanding faculty members who take an active role in enhancing teaching and learning on the UI campus. They will retain the title throughout their Illinois careers. Each received funding to support their mentoring activities.
- Christine A. Jenkins, professor of library and information science, received the Award for Excellence in Off-Campus Teaching, which provides $4,000 to the recipient.
- Yi Lu, professor of chemistry, received the Campus Award for Excellence in Guiding Undergraduate Research, a $2,000 award designed to foster and reward excellence in involving and guiding undergraduate students in scholarly research.
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UI professor to receive Global Energy Prize

By James E. Kloepel
News Bureau Staff Writer

Nick Holonyak Jr., a John Bardeen Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering and Physics at the UI, has been selected as a 2003 recipient of the Global Energy Prize from Russia. He shares the $900,000 prize with Gennady Mesiats of the Russian Academy of Sciences and Yan Douglas Smith of Titan Pulse Sciences Division.

The award recognizes Holonyak for his “contribution to the development of power silicon electronics and invention of the first semiconducting light-emitting diodes, in a visible part of the spectrum.” This work helped to create efficient, energy-saving technologies.

The son of Slavic immigrants who settled in Southern Illinois, Holonyak earned his bachelor’s degree in 1950, his master’s in 1951, and his doctorate in 1954, all in electrical engineering from Illinois. Holonyak was the first graduate student of two-time Nobel laureate John Bardeen, an Illinois professor who invented the transistor. An early researcher in semiconductor electronics, Holonyak gained eminence through his numerous inventions and contributions to advances in semiconductor materials and devices.

Before joining the Illinois faculty in 1963, Holonyak worked for Bell Telephone Labs, where he helped develop silicon-diffused transistor technology. Several years later, while at General Electric, he invented the first practical light-emitting diode and the first semiconductor laser to operate in the visible spectrum. He also developed the first electronic devices in III-V compound semiconductor alloys (III and V referring to places in the periodic table of the elements), and is the inventor of the basic silicon device used in household light-dimmer switches.

Russian President Vladimir Putin will present the awards in St. Petersburg on June 15.

Two UI professors named Guggenheim Fellows

By Greg Jaeger
News Bureau Student Intern

Two UI professors are among the 184 artists, scholars and scientists named as 2003 Guggenheim Fellows.

Sheldon H. Jacobson, a professor of industrial engineering, a Willett Faculty Scholar and the director of the Simulation Optimization Laboratory, received the award for his work with aviation security problems and solutions.

Gene E. Robinson, a professor of entomology and the director of the neuroscience program, was honored for his work with genes and social behavior.

The Guggenheim Fellows are appointed on the basis of distinguished achievement and exceptional promise. Many of the Fellows hold positions at colleges and universities, and Illinois is one of 89 institutions represented by Guggenheim Fellows this year.

The John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation awarded $675 million in fellowships this year.
Events for the calendar should be sent 15 days before the desired publication date to Inside Illinois Calendar, News Bureau, 807 S. Wright St., Suite 520 East, Champaign, IL 61820. More information is available from Marty Yeakel at 333-1085. The online UIUC Events Calendar is at www.uiuc.edu/ricker/CampusCalendar.

May 1 to 25

The Master of Fine Arts Exhibition – that annual rite of passage for art and design students about to undergo three years of intense professional artistic development – is on view through May 18 at the UI’s Krannert Art Museum. As always, museum visitors can expect the unexpected at this show, in which artists demonstrate their talent, imagination and fresh ideas in a variety of formats. The exhibition is nontraditional media. For a closer look at the artists’ work and their creative motivations, the public is invited to attend an exhibition walk-through, featuring presentations for the artists, at 2 p.m. May 3 to 5 in the museum’s East Gallery.

Kymoo Cheoa, “Boots stacked,” Porcelain with Celadon glaze.

May 1

Thursday

Globalization Initiative: Science in India: From Zero to FTI: Mohan Randeria, UI and Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, India. 4 p.m. 1401 Loomis Lab.

Friday

“Living in Southern Africa.” Kenneth Kauza, former president of Zambua. 4 p.m. 1401 Loomis Lab.

Wednesday

“Coming Attractions: Hollywood Women and the Art of Movie Advertising.” Christine Catanzarite, UI. 5:30 p.m. KAM auditorium.

“Recent Works.” Mary Miss, landscape artist, New York. 8 p.m. Illini Union Room C.

May 2

Thursday


Friday

“The Liberation of Southern Africa” Kenneth Kaunda, former president of Zambia. 7 p.m. 141 Loomis Lab, The University of Illinois at Chicago. 4 p.m. Medical Sciences auditorium.

May 3

Wednesday

“Globalization Initiative: Science in India: From Zero to FTI: Mohan Randeria, UI and Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, India.” 4 p.m. 3rd floor, Levis.

Friday

“The Impactor,” James Zagier, director, and “The Unicorn in the Garden.” Nicholas Di Vigilio, director, Ken Chu, conductor. 8 p.m. Tison Festival Theater, KCPA.

May 4

Saturday

“Superstate Concert Band Festival. Peter Griffin, coordinator. 5 p.m. Foellinger Great Hall, KCPA.

Sunday

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**Women in Engineering**

**Engineering summer camp for girls**

The UI Women in Engineering Program will host the Girls’ Adventures in Mathematics, Engineering and Science (GAMES) Camp Aug. 10-16 and 17-23. GAMES is a summer camp designed to give academically talented girls’ in engineering and computer science. For more information, contact Aimee Kandrac, 337-1500, or 614-3262.

**New home Sharon Clark (left), head librarian, and Rene Erlandson, senior cataloger for the Illinois Newspaper Project, take a break in the new Newspaper Library.**

**Library celebrates new location**

After many decades of operating out of modest quarters in a remote, cramped, low-ceilined part of a basement, one of the world’s largest libraries of its kind is moving up in the world – into a large and totally remodeled space. The grand opening of UI’s Newspaper Library was from 4 to 5 p.m. April 30 in its new location, 246 Library, 1408 W. Gregory Drive, Urbana. A bookbidding exhibit, organized in conjunction with the event, runs through May 6 in the Library’s first floor east-west corridor.

Sharon Clark, the Newspaper Library’s head librarian, said the new location will allow the staff to “provide better, more effective access to our collection and offer faculty, students and visitors a pleasant, high-tech space for their research.”

The library was in serious need of space – both for papers and patrons. Its bound volumes, microfilm reels and cards and current subscriptions to more than 400 U.S. and international newspapers total more than 150 million newspaper pages dating from 1632.

According to Clark, the collection represents “a broad spectrum of political and philosophical views,” including at least one daily paper from most major metropolitan areas of the United States, current subscription

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**Flexible spending**

The Flexible Spending Account Program can save tax dollars on out-of-pocket medical or dependent care expenses for employees and their dependents. The program allows up to $5,000 to be set aside for one or both plans for a combined maximum of $10,000. See the Benefits Handbook for more information.

To enroll or re-enroll in the Flexible Spending Account Program, employees will need to access NCESSIE. CMS will not send a reminder letter about enrolling in the program to those who currently participate, and re-enrollment is not automatic. Employees who want to participate again or enroll for the first time in a Flexible spending account will need to enroll through NCESSIE.