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Sicilian Artist To Be Honored

Sicilian artist Giovanni Alessi will be honored July 19 at a reception marking the opening of a two-week exhibit of his paintings and sculptures in the UC Gallery, CTR 100. The reception is open to the public and will be at 8 p.m. in the Gallery. Alessi's works will be on display from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. July 18-22 and 25-29. The UC Program Advising Office and the Circolo Culturale Italiano are co-sponsoring the reception.

Alessi's showing includes 47 paintings and 25 sculptures. His works depict the ancient and never-solved problems of his native Sicily. He uses, particularly, the institutionalized submission of Italian women by Sicily's male-dominated, macho culture as his emblem for inequality.

Many of his paintings contain a single lonely figure outlined in black. Many describe the universal struggle for individual identity. His technique is representative of the Picasso school. His sculptures are in wood, bronze, copper and onyx. Some of his paintings are in hot greens and fiery reds and illustrate his island's history of repeated foreign invasion.

Smith Luncheon Tickets Available

Tickets for the Tampa Chamber of Commerce's Reece Smith Appreciation Day Luncheon on July 29 are now available.

The luncheon will be held at noon at the Holiday Inn Central (downtown). Cost is $5.75 per person.

Tickets may be ordered by July 27 by sending a check or money order to the Tampa Chamber of Commerce, 801 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa 33601. Be sure to include your name and address.

Howell To Be 'Sorely Missed' At USF

Dr. Joe Howell, vice president for student affairs and development, is leaving the University of South Florida on Aug. 1 to become president of Central Methodist College (CMC) in Fayette, Mo.

His appointment was announced late last Friday by James H. Denman, chairman of CMC's board of curators who said Dr. Howell was the "outstanding choice" from among 112 candidates for the position. Central Methodist is a church-related, coed, liberal arts college with an enrollment of about 800 and a faculty of 60.

In his resignation to President Reece Smith, Dr. Howell said he was "delighted and excited...to accept the presidency of an institution that believes it can make an educational difference in the lives of persons it touches."

Pres. Smith accepted the resignation with "great regret" and said Dr. Howell "has rendered dedicated, invaluable service to USF" and his "versatility will be sorely missed."

President Smith noted that Dr. Howell's decision came as no surprise. "Long before I came to the University," the president said, "I had several informal discussions with him (about) his aspiration at the appropriate time to serve as president of a liberal arts college. These discussions continued after my appointment as interim president."

President Smith said that "while we shall miss Dr. Howell, I am optimistic about the continued growth and progress of USF...It now has the strength and durability that assures its continued development despite changes in leadership that are inevitable in any organization."

He also said that about July 15, he will announce several new appointments to administrative posts "in order to assure the uninterrupted continuity of the University's mission."

Dr. Howell, who came to USF in 1971, has been responsible for student personnel service programs ranging from new student orientation and student activity and organizations to financial aid and scholarships, as well as handling development & alumni efforts. He also has served as a professor of education.

He came to USF from Southern Methodist University where he was vice president of student affairs. He previously was dean of men at two private colleges in Virginia.
Circus Supper Set July 22

A circus supper under the big top will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. July 22 on the Mall in front of the TAT. Acrobats, jugglers, magicians and actors will entertain. Clown make-up will be put on children by artists.

The supper is for all students, faculty, staff and their families, as well as the public. Tickets are $3.25 for adults and $2.25 for children under 12 and are available at the TAT Box Office or the UC Desk.

The University Center, Student Government Productions, the theatre department and Saga Food Service are sponsoring the supper in conjunction with the theatre's musical production of "Carnival," at 8 p.m. in the TAT.

Loan Workshop To Be Held At USF

About 300 bankers and university financial aid officers are expected to attend a day-long workshop July 20 at USF on the "Effects of the Education Amendments of 1976 on the Guaranteed Student Loan Programs (GSLP) and/or the Federally Insured Student Loan Program (FISL)."

A representative of the insured loan section of Region IV, Office of Education, HEW, Atlanta, will conduct the workshop from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4:30 p.m. in CTR 248.