

Margaret Mead lectures at UM

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Springfield, Conn., and social psychologist Margaret Mead will speak at the University of Michigan Nov. 3, commencing a five-day celebration in Ann Arbor of the innovative Teaching Learning Communities (TLC).

The 8 p.m. address of Hall Auditorium is on "Arch and Arch: A Shaping of Values Through the Arts."

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the luncheon, set for noon in the Michigan League.

From 2:30 p.m. groups of "grand persons" and children will be stationed in the lobby of the Rackham Building demonstrating TLC's "passing of skills from old to young." They will be engaged in bobbin lace making, Chinese calligraphy, wood working, quilting and folk music—a sampling of the more than 300 activities that have taken place in the course of the five-year project.

From 3:30 p.m. older persons who have had professional experience in acting, dance, music and poetry reading will perform in Rackham Auditorium. The program is entitled "Seven Bends in the River of Life."

UM Chancellor Hudson Hall will give a special concert from 7:30 p.m. in honor of the occasion.

The Institute of Teaching Learning Communities is sponsoring the entire program in cooperation with the Ann Arbor public

schools, the UM Wayne State University Institute of Gerontology, the UM Values Program and the UM Extension Service. Tickets for the Mead address and the luncheon are available from the Extension Service, 412 Maynard St., Ann Arbor, Mich. 48109.

Dr. Mead, who has been frequently honored, spent almost a half-century studying Western and other cultures, focusing particularly on the people of the Pacific. She is the author of 24 books and co-author or editor of 18 others, in addition to numerous scientific papers, popular articles and film scripts. She has received some 30 educational and scientific achievement awards and holds 12 honorary degrees. In 1969 Time Magazine named her "Mother of the World."

Now 74, Dr. Mead has long fostered the concept of shared learning between the very old and the very young. From her field studies with small, homogeneous societies she has increasingly turned her attention to the broad issues of Western culture, including cross-generation relationships.



MARGARET MEAD

She has spoken and corresponded with Carol Tice, TLC founder and project director, five years ago. Mr. Tice enlisted a corps of volunteers and transported them from school to school in her own car.

Now, TLC III funds from the Michigan Department of Education have enabled the program to expand continuously, welcoming volunteers of all ethnic, occupational and social backgrounds and from about 15 to 30 years of age.

By the time an older person has put to rest a life, he has left on how to do it, writing, painting, stories and ideas to a younger person. Mr. Tice said "Children and youth achieve a sense of continuity of life from their relationships with 'grand persons'."

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