

# NOTABLE MISSOURIANS AND TIGERS COLLECTION

**Barbara S. Uehling**, *First Female Chancellor of the University of Missouri and First Woman in the U.S. to Lead a Land-Grant University*



This tiered silk dress was worn by the University of Missouri's first female Chancellor, Barbara S. Uehling (1978-1986), during a reception given by MU President James Olson in celebration of her marriage to Stanley R. Johnson in 1981. Chancellor Uehling also made national headlines as the first woman in the United States to lead a land-grant university.

The *Barbara S. Uehling Award for Administrative Excellence* was established at MU in 1986 to honor an administrator who has demonstrated qualities of leadership, administrative excellence, and has contributed in some way to improve working conditions and quality of life for MU staff. The first recipient was Barbara Uehling who established the Staff Advisory Council.

**ARTIFACT:** Silk Crepe Dress with Metallic Accents (1981) Gift of Gift of B. Uehling Charlton. Portrait image courtesy of University Archives Savitar, 1978.