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Electric bill shocks entire campus into action

The University's energy task force is "ramrodding" against skyrocketing utility costs.

Students, by projections that next year's electric, gas, and sewage bills could climb 12-15 percent higher than the $5 million allocated in this year's budget, the task force is laying the groundwork for all-out efforts to cut those costs in the only feasible way—conservation.

An all-campus "brown out" and a challenge to some 660 women residing at Founders Quadrangle to cut their electrical consumption have proven successful in both in conserving electricity (the largest share of the University's utility costs) and in raising the awareness among students, faculty and staff of the need to be "waste conscious".

Dr. Thomas B. Cobb, chair of the energy task force, said both projects were basically student-oriented, because students pay their own utility bills and are eager to hold them at a minimum, Cobb said.

"Students' parents pay their room and board fees or who pay themselves in one large sum just aren't as concerned.

The challenge to residents of Founders was successful in particular attempt to reverse that attitude. Between Feb. 10 and March 10 the women were asked to cut their electrical consumption by 10 percent, and they were offered an all-you-can-eat ice cream social if successful.

James Sharp, conferences and arrangements, a member of the energy task force, said the conservation effort was just short of the 10 percent goal but added the project was "highly successful," and the students will get their ice cream anyway because of the consciousness they displayed.

He praised the efforts of the custodial and food service staffs in the hall, who were also dedicated to decreasing electrical consumption.

Funders was not too much contest because it has its own electrical meter. It has been estimated by the task force that the residence hall's electric bill amounts to about $180 per day.

Sharp said a major thrust of the challenge was to make each resident $180, compared to 27,600 a week earlier, noting that if the kind of consumption pattern was continued, significant cost savings would be realized.

Of special note, he said, is the fact that electrical demand fell from 8,840 kilowatts at 9:30 a.m. to 6,570 at 12 a.m., the time when demand is usually highest for the day. On March 15, basically, 6,900 was reached at exactly 2 p.m. when "everybody was everywhere back on," Finch added.

He acknowledged that conservation could be the only route to take if utility bills are to be kept under control.

Noting that electrical rates are expected to rise 10-12 percent a year for the next several years and natural gas rates will likely increase 25 percent a year for at least the next two years, he said continued efforts to reduce consumption must be taken to keep bills at a minimum when University dollars are so scarce.

Continued conservation becomes an even greater challenge, however, because energy consumption already has been drastically reduced at Bowling Green.

This year alone, Finch said, electrical consumption is down eight percent from a year ago. More dramatically, he compared consumption of 52 million kilowatts in 1983-84 with that of 92 million kilowatts in 1972-73, when Bowling Green's total utility budget was $1.4 million, compared to $4.1 million in 1980-81.

Efforts to reduce electrical demand in three buildings on campus have been successful, said Finch, noting that since the installation of energy monitoring systems at the Student Recreation Center and Moore Musical Arts Center, those buildings have reduced electrical consumption by 16.8 and 17 percent, respectively.

Teaming of the Business Administration Building last year with funds secured from the federal government specifically for energy retrofitting has also resulted in a 43.2 percent reduction in 440-volt service (the most common) to that building.

Ax falls again

Budget problems won't be solved this year

The University is bracing itself for yet another round of budget cuts. And although the exact extent of these cuts is not yet known, Dr. Richard Eakin, executive vice provost for planning and budgeting, said their effect will be "devastating" on Bowling Green.

On Monday, March 22, Gov. Rhodes signed a new budget cut order, slashing another $18 million from state spending for the fiscal year. The new cut will trim fiscal 1982 appropriations by six percent, but since it comes so late in the fiscal year (only three months remain), the reduction will amount to 24 percent.

Howard Collier, director of the state's Office of Budget and Management, said the latest cuts will not be across the board, but at MONITOR's press time, no indication had been given as to how state agencies will be affected. Some agencies may receive more than a six percent reduction; others a less.

A detailed "cut list" is expected to be announced sometime before April 1.

Regardless of the size of this reduction, however, Bowling Green faces a problem which cannot be solved in the remaining months of this fiscal year.

Interim President Ferrari said the University must deal with the situation in a way similar to that being used by the state. "There's really little that can be done in the next three months to make up $2 million," he said. The $2 million represents a six percent reduction in the $34.4 million appropriated to Bowling Green in Amended Substitute House Bill 694 last November.

Ferrari added, "We already have cut operating budgets to the bone, we have a full hiring freeze in effect and it is too late to raise fees for spring quarter. Essentially our hands are tied. The only other step that could be taken would be to announce wide-scale personnel lay-offs, and little (money) would be saved by doing that because of all the costs associated with unemployment benefits. More importantly, the vitality and the reputation of the University would suffer irreparable harm.

"Bowling Green faces essentially a 15-month or longer financial crisis that will require the prompt attention of the incoming president (Dr. Paul Olscamp) and the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees."

Ferrari said his own role in the next few months will be to continue all current cost containment practices he has implemented in recent months and to work closely with the incoming president in outlining various options available to him.

He said he would avoid taking actions with major long-range academic or budgetary implications because he believes the new administration should have the opportunity to deal with the issues from its own perspective. Ferrari added, however, that the latest cuts in subsidies and forecasts for 1982-83 necessitate instructional fee increases much larger than those anticipated a month ago. He said fee increases that would take effect with the summer session will be recommended to the Board of Trustees and he added that Olscamp will begin to deal with the long-range planning issues during his visits to campus and consultations with the Board of Trustees this spring.

Meanwhile, the legislature continues to debate a proposed temporary sales tax increase which Rhodes says is the only way to effectively bail out the state's ailing economy.

Some legislators also have called for a boost in the state income tax, which has not been revised since it was approved in 1971.

A bill also is currently being discussed in the Senate Finance Committee which would give the state and its agencies until June 30, 1983, to bring some order to the issues. Presently, the law requires that budgets be balanced at the end of each fiscal year. The state's constitution, however, requires the budget to be balanced only at the end of each biennium.
The Faculty Senate Executive Committee has completed drafts of the financial exigency plan for the University, and Dr. Richard Ward, Senate chair, is hoping for a timely and fair representation of the entire policy before the end of the month.

Those sections already completed define exigency and set the procedures for declaring financial exigency. Still to be written are a section on provisions for declaring financial exigency (what will be done once it is declared) and a section on specific considerations, such as the circumstances under which a tenured appointment may be terminated.

The policy being drafted for Bowling Green will be similar to a model written for Ohio State University and also may borrow from the statement drafted at Miami University, Ward said.

Noting that an attempt to adopt an exigency policy in 1976 had failed, Ward said he is optimistic that this time the climate is right to approve a statement for Bowling Green. Ward noted that the completed statement ready for consideration by the full Faculty Senate in May.

In the meantime, as sections of the proposed plan are completed, the Senate (and the FSC) are being mailed to all faculty, who are being asked that they read them and comment with their administrative reaction to the plan. They will be mailed by Ward to the faculty in time.

When Faculty Senate does begin consideration of the plan, Ward believes it will be done in two meetings. At the first meeting, he said, the plan will be presented and discussed, with no action taken. At that meeting, he intends to ask Senate to approve a set of rules for deliberation, including procedures for amendments and the completion of discussion. The Senate then should be devoted to formal deliberation of the package and a Senate vote, he said, adding that the second meeting will be held two weeks after the first.

When an approval is done, the faculty at the second meeting, senators should be knowledgeable about the proposal and well-primed by their constituents. The Senate this session passed the Senate, it must then be approved by the Board of Trustees.

The proposed plan defines financial exigency as "an unusual or extraordinary situation in which the University faces a serious deterioration in its financial condition, and the plan, intended for revenue in excess of expenses, and that realization of the option will serve to reduce the quality of the institution's academic programs to an unacceptable level."

The proposed plan defines the Faculty Senate Executive Committee which would participate in the decision that financial exigency exists, and the plan recommends the appointment of an ad hoc committee (composed of five faculty: one undergraduate student; one graduate student and four administrative personnel) to participate in that decision.

If both groups are convinced that exigency is a viable alternative, the full faculty would also have input into the final decision. According to the proposal, "the key ingredients of these procedures are to list the procedures for declaring financial exigency, the Board of Trustees on the recommendation of the Faculty Senate."

A clarification that financial exigency would be made by the Board of Trustees on the recommendation of the Faculty Senate would also have the authority to declare exigency to the state of Ohio.

Laboratory construction to begin in June

Construction of a five-story Physical Sciences Laboratory Building on campus is expected to begin sometime in May, according to Rod Engler, director of technical support services and the University library.

Engler said Vesta Construction of Cleveland has awarded the bid for construction of the $7.2 million facility, which will be located between the Physical Sciences and Mathematics Building on the Overman Hall. In addition to classrooms and laboratories, the building will feature a planetarium and an observatory, which will be located on the roof.

Laboratory construction is planned in order to accommodate the increasing enrollment and the increasing use of computers. "We're adding laboratories, we're upgrading laboratories, we're adding computer capacity everywhere," Engler said.

Bowling Green rolled out the welcome mat for some 2,000 prospective freshmen and their parents at a round of receptions held in late February and early March in locations across Ohio.

The offices of Admissions and Alumni and Development combined efforts to host the receptions for high school students who have been accepted for admission to the University.

Sponsored by the Undergraduate Alumni Association with assistance from local alumni chapters, the receptions were held in Columbus, Akron, Canton, Columbus, the Dayton-Cincinnati area and northwest Ohio.

This was the third year for the Alumni/admissions receptions help keep enrollment strong

Bowling Green sets dollars aside to spend with state's minority firms

The new legislation stipulates that an additional five percent of the University's expenditures be set aside for construction contracts to minority firms, and Postich said which Bowling Green has been doing since December.

Postich said the University also has voluntarily forwarded bids for goods and services to minority vendors in the Toledo area for several years, and he said that he is confident over the new requirement to award contracts for such a significant dollar amount to minority vendors

"We were not surprised by the legislators," he said, "but we did surprise them that we were so cooperative in one only year. We would have preferred a phaseline plan."

All vendors are being certified by the Ohio Department of Administrative Services, the state's "purchasing council," and the list of approved firms is long. Many of the businesses, however, are small, and Postich is uncertain that they will be able to handle huge volume requests.

An additional of concern to the University is the possibility that some minority businesses may have the capability in bidding procedures and that goods and services purchased from them may therefore be cost a little more, but Postich said the current constraints on budgets, Bowling Green will not waste state dollars.

"We will make every good faith effort to meet the phase one requirements," he said, "but the legislation which excludes the set aside is complicated and we still need to find out precisely what was intended by it. A lot of questions remain unanswered."

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HPER institute stresses 'whole child' education

The School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation has long been recognized for its programs dedicated to the recreation and education of children, and now the school has established an institute to promote that kind of activity on a national level.

Dr. Morris, a national leader in the field of educational recreation, directs the institute for the campus. He has been associated with educational recreation for many years, and he is committed to the idea of providing opportunities for children to learn through hands-on activities.

The institute will be housed in the Education and Recreation Center. Among the programs it will offer are: a summer camp for children, a winter camp for young adults, and a family camp for children and parents. The institute will also be open to the public, and it will be staffed by trained professionals.

The institute will be located in the Berry Building, which is on the campus of Ohio University. The building was constructed in 1922 and was originally used as a dormitory. It was renamed theBerry Building in 1942 in honor of President William Berry, who served as president of the university from 1921 to 1942.

Dr. Morris is a well-respected leader in the field of educational recreation. He has served as president of the National Association for Physical Education and Recreation (NAPER) and has been a member of the American Physical Education Association (APEA) for many years. He has also served on the editorial board of the Journal of Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (JPERD), and he is a frequent contributor to the Journal of Physical Education and Recreation (JPER).

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Rec Center memberships on sale

Spring quarter memberships to the Student Recreation Center are now on sale for $31. The special limited access cost is $15, which includes a $15 annual membership fee.

Both are valid immediately and may be purchased in the Rec Center office, which is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The office is located on the first floor of the Ohio University Center for Health and Physical Education.

The special limited access cost is $15, which includes a $15 annual membership fee.

Sponsored by the Office of Continuing Education, Regional and Summer Programs, the workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Capital Room of the Union. Further information about these special limited access membership opportunities may be obtained by calling (372-0999).

The Student Recreation Center is located in the lower level of the Ohio University Center for Health and Physical Education. It is equipped with a variety of fitness equipment, including cardio machines, strength training equipment, and a weight room.

The center also offers a variety of group fitness classes, including aerobics, Pilates, yoga, and Zumba.

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Faculty & Staff

Grants

Dr. Kenneth Kline, history, $700 from the Ohio University Foundation to support the Ohio University History Society.

Dr. William F. Nolan, English, $1,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation to support the study of the historical differences between the races in North and South America.

Dr. Fred Pigg, education, $16,000 from the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation to support the Jennings Scholar Lecture Program in 1982-83.

The program is designed to honor outstanding classroom teachers from throughout Ohio, who will be invited to become "Jennings Scholars" and participate in the 1982-83 lecture series.

Dr. Carl Hult, Developmental Learning Center, author of "Vocational ReADING Guide," for the Ohio University Foundation, Division of Vocational Education.

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What does a journalism faculty member do when he gets his doctoral degree in speech? At winter quarter commencement exercises, Robert H. Byler Jr. (center) took his own photographs of the proceedings as Dr. Gary Heberlein, dean of the Graduate College, and Dr. James Wilcox (right), speech communication, gave him his doctoral hood.

News in Review

Athletic search group expanded

The scope of the advisory committee which will guide the search and screening process for a new athletic director has been expanded with the addition of two new members to that committee.

William Blair, president of the Falcon Club, and Robert Gill, health physical education and recreation committee and head coach, tennis, have been newly named to the advisory committee by Interim President Ferrar. Dr. Marvin Kumler, psychology, faculty representative to the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the Mid-American Conference, chairs the group.

Employment Opportunities

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

NEW VACANCIES

Posting Expiration Date: Monday, April 5

4-5-1 Maintenance Repair Worker 2 Pay Range 5 University Union/Buckeye Room

4-5-2 Typist 2 Pay Range 4 Graduate College

4-5-3 Lab Animal Aide and Pay Range 2 Biological Sciences

4-5-4 Temporary part-time, grant-funded (Paid from external funds) Positions

CONTINUED VACANCIES

Posting Expiration Date: Monday, March 29

3-29-1 Clerical Specialist Pay Range 25 Alumni and Development Temporary part-time

3-29-2 Stereograph Pay Range 4 Bowling Green Campus

Nine-month full-time

Other members are Myron Chenuault, associate vice president of legal, staff and contract relations; James Parker, president of the BGSU Foundation; James Gill, head coach, hockey; Carole Huston, assistant director, athletics; and undergraduate student athletes Doug Carr (football) and Sara Ringle (volleyball). Mary Grant, secretary to the president, is secretary for the committee, which will accept nominations and applications until April 12.

Library changes van pick-up site

Effective today (March 29) the Giffenburg Pharmacy van II, which transports faculty, staff, students and materials to and from the University of Toledo library, will pick up passengers in Lot 14, west of the University Library, by the RGTC sign near Anderson Arena.

The departure times will remain 8:30 a.m. and 2:45 p.m.

Good Friday is not University holiday

Friday, April 9, is Good Friday, but it is not a University holiday. All classes will be held and offices will be open.

Faculty and staff who wish to take time off to observe the day should consult their appropriate University handbook for clarification of procedures to be followed for religious observances.

Items for sale on campus only

The following are listed for sale to University departments only:

- Olympia manual typewriter, elite type, $75 or best offer.
- Royal Manual typewriter, elite type, $25 or best offer.
- Contact Mary Lou Baty, medical technology program (372-2109).

The aerospace studies department has for sale to University personnel women's navy blue all-weather coats for $12 each.

Also for sale are women's short sleeves, light blouses, priced according to condition.

If interested, inquire at 164 Memorial Hall between 12:45 and 2:45 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

French students on campus fifth consecutive spring

For the fifth consecutive year, the College of Business Administration is hosting a group of French students from the Higher School of Business and Administration in Nantes, France. The 82 students will arrive on campus Tuesday (March 30) evening and will spend the next 10 weeks familiarizing themselves with American culture, business and academics.

Housed in University residence halls with American students, they will be enrolled in a variety of business courses and elective classes while fulfilling a graduation requirement of the Nantes school to spend a portion of their third year studying in an English-speaking country.

Six French students who participated in the program two years ago are currently studying in the University's master of business administration degree program, and 20 students who came to Bowling Green last spring will become graduate business students at the University next fall, according to Dr. Charles R. Chittle, director of international programs in business.

He noted, too, that when the current group of French students leaves this country in June, they will be followed by a group of Bowling Green and area students who will spend five weeks studying at the Nantes business college.

Although students from France have studied at Bowling Green every spring since 1968, the exchange between the two institutions began two years later.

Undergraduate students participating in the program can earn 9 or 12 quarter hours or 6 semester hours of academic credit. Graduate students in the program can earn 6 quarter hours or 4 semester hours of academic credit.

Admission to the program is still open, and anyone interested in accompanying the group to France should contact 372-0080.

Datebook

Exhibits

Sculptures by T. P. Cutler of St. Louis, through April 23, McFarland Center Gallery. Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and on weekends at the appointments. Contact Mary Wolfe 372-2517.

Wednesday, March 31

Jazz Combos, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

College of Choral, directed by Ivan Trustor, 9 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Tickets, now available at the music center box office, are $2 for adults, $1 for students. Box office hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays and beginning at 6 p.m. performances night.

Thursday, April 1

Ruth Morison, internationally known physical educator, will discuss her philosophy of teaching and give a lesson demonstration with University students, 1:30 p.m., campus. Sponsored by the new National Institute of Physical Education for Children on campus.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Lab Bands, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

University Performing Dance, 8 p.m., Main Auditorium, University Hall. Students, faculty and guest artists will perform. Admission $1 for students and children, $2 adults.

Friday, April 2

Faculty Jazz Trio, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

University Performing Dance, 8 p.m., Main Auditorium, University Hall. Students, faculty and guest artists will perform. Admission $1 for students and children, $2 adults.

Saturday, April 3

High School Jazz Festival, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by University Greek organizations and the Chamber of Commerce, 1, p.m., City Park. Raindate: 2 p.m. April 4.

Akiyoshi-Tahakbin Big Band, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. For ticket information call 372-0171.

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Monday, April 5

Michael von Albrecht of Heidelberg University, West Germany, will lecture on "Latin Language and Literature in Late Antiquity" in Main Auditorium, University. Sponsored by the romance languages department.

Richard Messer, creative writing, will give a reading of his works, 7:30 p.m., Commuter Center Lounge.