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The first day at a new job can be overwhelming, even for a university president, but Dr. Paul Olscamp is emphatic about the goals he has set for himself and the University in the coming year. He was behind the desk in official capacity for the first time July 6, a little uncomfortable in the 90 degree heat but comfortable with the position he has accepted.

Sound budget, staff are high priorities

Olscamp sets goals for 1982-83

Adopting a sound budget, reorganizing the administrative structure and setting in motion a major fund-raising campaign for the University's 75th anniversary celebration are among goals which President Olscamp has set for Bowling Green during the coming academic year.

Olscamp, who spent his first full, formal working day in the president's office last Tuesday (July 6), said he is entering the job optimistic about the University and its future.

"The institution is in better financial shape than I thought it was going to be. We have a great opportunity to put in place a stable, functional administration within a year, and I expect (within the year) to have the Faculty Senate deeply involved in the governance of the University. If we can do all those things, then...I will consider it a good year," he said.

Olscamp's first weeks in office will be devoted to bringing a number of administrative searches to an end and instituting several others. He expects to name soon a director of intercollegiate athletics, a dean of the College of Musical Arts and an interim vice president for academic affairs.

Within a month or two he will set in motion the search processes for a permanent vice president for academic affairs, a vice president for student affairs and an assistant to the president.

The Olscamp administration will consist of one person, the presidential assistant, who will report directly to the president, and four "line officers:" the vice president for university relations (Richard Edwards); the vice president for operations (George Postich); a vice president for academic affairs (to be named), and a vice president for student affairs (also to be named).

Olscamp said the student affairs position will replace the current dean of students post, noting that the present dean, Dr. Donald Ragusa, may choose to be a candidate for the new post but that he must apply "on equal footing" with any others interested in the vice presidency. The intercollegiate athletics department will be among the areas reporting to the new vice president for student affairs, Olscamp said, adding that the announcement of other areas reporting to

the respective vice presidents will be forthcoming.

Aside from the shifting of administrative responsibilities, Olscamp does not predict sweeping changes in University staffing, although he said the coming year should reflect a net loss in the number of positions, something which he thinks will be brought about entirely through attrition.

His plans are to trim overstaffed areas (if any are identified) through attrition or reassignment of personnel, and to use available resources to enhance areas where the need is great. He is particularly eager to find additional funds for the Library.

Olscamp will waste no time preparing an educational budget for the University, which has been operating with a continuation budget since July 1. At the July 23 meeting of the Board of Trustees he plans to recommend a budget, with moderate fee increases, that should enable the University to manage its fiscal affairs in 1982-83 without crisis, he said.

Noting that he believes a fee increase is necessary despite the recent passage of a new state budget bill, Olscamp said if the trustees approve a moderate hike Bowling Green should retain its current place among the least expensive state-assisted schools in Ohio.

He said the budget will include salary

recommendations for 1982-83, adding that he "wants faculty to come back in September ready to teach and write," not worrying about the status of their salaries.

Olscamp also has some assignments for the Faculty Senate when it reconvenes in September. In addition to asking for a refined financial exigency plan, he plans to request that the Senate re-write the Academic Charter, which he defined as "cumbersome and outdated." He envisions the re-written document as "a short, broad statement identifying the relationships among the working bodies of the University."

Anxious to begin meeting the state's and nation's lawmakers as president of Bowling Green, Olscamp will be in Washington, D.C., July 19-21 for sessions with Ohio's Congressional delegation. His schedule also calls for meetings with state legislators in Columbus.

Except for his travels to Washington and Columbus, and at least one long-weekend trip to Bellingham to "wrap up loose ends," Olscamp will remain on campus through mid-August, when he will leave for Hawaii and a sailing expedition across the Pacific, which had been arranged prior to his accepting the University presidency. How long he will be gone "is a matter of the winds," he said, but he expects to return to Bowling Green no later than mid-September.

Employee discounts available

All faculty and staff are eligible for discount admissions to several attractions and amusement parks throughout the country through University membership in the Toledo Industrial Recreation Employees Services Council (TIRES).

The Office of Personnel Support Services has information on the discounts, applicable to employees and their families, to the following: Cedar Point; Colonial Williamsburg, Va.; Disneyland/Disney World; Geauga Lake; Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum; King's Island; Opryland; Pro Football Hall of Fame; Canton; Sea World and Wisconsin Dells.

Questions about the discount programs should be directed to the personnel office (372-0421).

In addition, tickets to both Cedar Point and King's Island are available to faculty and staff at a discount rate at the Union Information Desk.

Cedar Point tickets may be purchased at the special price of \$9.50 (child or adult), a savings of \$2.45 on each ticket. Children 4 years of age and younger are admitted free.

King's Island tickets also are being sold for \$9.50 for adults and \$5.75 for children 4, 5 and 6 years of age. Children age 3 and younger are admitted free. The savings for University employees is \$2.45 for adults and 20 cents for children.

Only cash ticket sales are accepted at the Union desk. Employees must present their University identification card to make a purchase.

News in Review

Law change affects imminent retirees

Faculty and staff contemplating retirement with both STRS or PERS benefits and social security checks as a spouse or surviving spouse based upon a husband's or wife's social security record have been issued a caution by the University and the Social Security Administration.

A 1977 change in the social security law, called the "government pension offset" but more commonly known as a law to prevent "double dipping," has repercussions which take effect in the near future.

The law could reduce the amount of the social security check issued a spouse or surviving spouse—dollar for dollar—by the amount of the state pension.

Faculty and staff will be exempt from the pension offset if they are eligible to

receive their state retirement benefits before December 1982. This means that you must meet the age and length-of-service requirements for one of the state's retirement programs before December 1982 even though you do not apply for retirement by that time. In addition, the offset can be avoided if you meet all requirements for social security spouse's or surviving spouse's benefits which were in effect in January 1977.

Anyone eligible to purchase service credit in either the STRS or PERS system might find it profitable to do so now to meet requirements for state retirement before December and thereby avoid the pension offset law.

Questions about pension offset or retirement eligibility should be directed to the Social Security Administration or to the STRS or PERS office. Faculty are enrolled in the STRS system; classified and contract staff participate in PERS.

Employment Opportunities

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES NEW VACANCIES

Posting Expiration Date: Monday, July 19, 1982

- 7-19-1 **Baker 1**
Pay Range 4
University Food Operations
- 7-19-2 **Cashier 1**
Pay Range 3
University Food Operations
7-19-7 Six nine-month part-time positions
- 7-19-8 **Cook 1**
Pay Range 3
University Food Operations
7-19-9 Two nine-month part-time positions
- 7-19-10 **Custodial Worker**
Pay Range 2
University Union
Nine-month part-time position
- 7-19-11 **Food Service Worker**
Pay Range 1
University Food Operations
7-19-14 Four nine-month part-time positions

CONTINUED VACANCIES

Posting Expiration Date: Tuesday, July 13, 1982

- 7-13-1 **Clerk 1**
Pay Range 2
Registration & Records
- 7-13-2 **Clerical Specialist**
Pay Range 25
Residence Life
Temporary full-time
through 1/28/83
- 7-13-3 **Clerk 2**
Pay Range 3
Residence Programs
7-13-5 Nine-month part-time
Three positions
- 7-13-6 **Custodial Worker**
Pay Range 2
University Union
- 7-13-7 **Typist 1**
Pay Range 3
Computer Science
Nine-month part-time
- 7-13-8 **Typist 2**
Pay Range 4
Sociology Department

Faculty/Staff Positions, 1982-83

The following faculty positions have been authorized:

Computer Science: Assistant or associate professor. Contact Faculty Search Committee, computer science department (2-2337). Deadline: Open

Home Economics: Chair. Contact Sandra Packard (2-0151). Deadline: Aug. 23, 1982

Library: Coordinator, library user education/education librarian. Contact dean's office (2-2856).
Deadline: July 15, 1982

Medical Technology: Assistant professor. Contact John B. Kennedy (2-0109). Deadline: Sept. 1, 1982

The following contract positions have been approved:

Education: Director, instructional laboratories. Contact Sandra Packard (2-0151). Deadline: Aug. 10, 1982

Library: Coordinator, circulation services. Contact dean's office (2-2856). Deadline: July 15, 1982

Paydays to change for faculty, staff

Beginning in July, all contract staff will be issued their monthly paychecks on the 20th of each month rather than on the last day. The change is being made to save University dollars.

Faculty with 12-month contracts will continue to be paid on the 15th of the month during July, August and September.

Beginning in September, however, all faculty, on either a nine- or 12-month pay basis, will be issued their monthly check on the 20th instead of the 15th. In September only, faculty who were on a 12-pay basis during 1981-82 and who are continuing on either a nine- or 12-pay basis during 1982-83 will receive two checks, one on Sept. 15 and the other on Sept. 20.

Questions about paydays should be directed to the payroll office, 372-2201.

PSC changes July meeting date

The next meeting of the Personnel Steering Committee will be held July 28 in the Perry-Croghan Room of the University Union, not on July 14 as previously announced.

This meeting will not be open to visitors because nominations for positions on the PSC will be discussed.

Pop culture faculty books on display

Publications by faculty in the popular culture department are now on display at a special exhibit in the University Library near the first floor entrance to the Popular Culture Library.

The display, which will remain throughout the summer, includes books and articles by Drs. Ray Browne, Michael Marsden, John Nachbar, Susan Arpad, Christopher Geist, George Ward and Marilyn Motz.

Nancy Lee and Pam Porter, library, developed the exhibit.

Brown named to photographer post

William E. Brown, 24, of Canton, a 1981 graduate of the University, has been appointed University photographer in the Office of Public Relations.

Brown, who received a bachelor of science degree in visual communications technology, has interned as both photographer and darkroom technician in the University's public relations office and at Dana Corporation in Toledo and Cedar Point, Inc. In his new position he will be responsible for meeting the day-to-day photo needs of the University, including supplying photographs for the At Bowling Green alumni magazine, major catalogs, brochures, admissions materials and such publications as Monitor and Green Sheet.

While a student at the University, Brown was a photographer and photo editor of the BG News, a photographer for the Key, University yearbook, and a photographer for the University Theater.

He had served on an interim basis as photographer in the Office of Public Relations during spring quarter.

Budgets, salaries on trustee agenda

The July meeting of the Board of Trustees has been scheduled at 10 a.m. Friday, July 23, in the McFall Center Assembly Room.

A fee schedule for 1982-83 and an educational budget with salary pool are expected to be adopted at that meeting.

Art classes begin July 20

The second session of the Creative Arts Summer Art Workshop will begin July 20 and continue through Aug. 12.

Classes for children ages five to 12 are scheduled on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:30-4 p.m. in the School of Art.

For further information, contact the Creative Arts Program office at 372-0177 or 352-3361.

Datebook

Exhibits

Work by students of the fine arts, a summer exhibition, through Aug. 26, McFall Center Gallery. Gallery hours for the summer are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Closed weekends.

Tuesday, July 13

Brass Quintet, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

Wednesday, July 14

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

Thursday, July 15

Student Brass Recital, 7 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

"Wiley and the Hairy Man," University Theater production, 7:30 p.m., Joe E. Brown Theatre. Tickets for this children's play are \$1; 75 cents for groups of 10 or more.

Summer Choral/Orchestra Concert, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

Friday, July 16

Student Brass Recital, 1 p.m., courtyard, Moore Musical Arts Center.

"Wiley and the Hairy Man," University Theater production, 2 and 7:30 p.m., Joe E. Brown Theatre. Tickets for this children's play are \$1; 75 cents for groups of 10 or more.