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Olscamp sets goals to ensure quality, stability

Summarizing the current state of the University and announcing his personal goals to ensure the stability of the institution, President Olscamp set the tone of his administration during an address to faculty, staff and students Oct. 1 in the Grand Ballroom of the University Union.

Focusing primarily upon the role of the faculty in the academic life of the Institution, Olscamp highlighted some additional steps he intends to pursue to keep enrollments high and to improve the academic reputation of the University while streamlining University governance documents and increasing the level of faculty, staff and student involvement in the administration.

He painted a healthy picture of the University as it appears today, noting that total headcount enrollment, including the main campus, Firelands, study abroad programs and off-campus centers, should exceed 18,000 this fall. The number of full-time equivalent students is expected to exceed 16,300, he said.

Olscamp said residence hall occupancy is "in keeping with a slight decline in our overall enrollment" but in spite of that decline "the University housing and dining system is in sound financial condition." Noting that approximately 900 fewer students are on campus this fall than last year, Olscamp said the reasons for the enrollment decline are not fully understood and "personally, I believe this modest downturn, which is being treated as a temporary phenomenon that will not affect us in the long run."

He outlined five steps which he said the University must take to guarantee long-term enrollment stability:

- Enhancing student financial aid by raising additional money through private sources and by lobbying heavily to retain those financial aid packages the Congress currently funds;
- Focusing additional efforts upon the recruitment of minority students who now comprise less than six percent of the total student population;
- Integrating the efforts of the admissions and financial aid offices more closely;
- Creating incentives for faculty to become more personally involved in student recruitment;
- Allowing more adult learners.

"Above all, we must improve our academic reputation and performance, for in the long run the institutions which will survive and prosper have built the reputation of this area are those which are open to quality, which refuse to compromise the standards of academic excellence in the face of overwhelming pressure to enroll more students, and which take advantage of market conditions to improve both the teaching and research enterprises of the University," he said, outlining both internal and external efforts designed to enhance Bowling Green's academic reputation:

- Recruiting the best faculty available at all possible levels;
- Utilizing the alumni organization more extensively to recruit excellent students;
- Establishing additional academically-based scholarships through a more vigorous external fund-raising effort;
- Creating endowed professorships whose funds can be used by visiting scholar or to retain visitors to the University for a longer period of time;
- Utilizing some faculty positions made vacant through attrition for training purposes rather than replacing them on a permanent basis;
- Raising additional money for the Library.

-Reactivating the research effort of the University;
- Enhancing the efforts to publicize the University's areas of strength, particularly with legislators and the national media.

Dr. Paul J. Olscamp

Olscamp said a vigorous external fund-raising campaign will be initiated in conjunction with the University's 75th anniversary in 1985, noting that the most prominent consultant in this field, Ketchum, Inc. is assisting the University with a study designed to help identify a dollar target as well as strategies and programs which appeal to prospective donors.

He highlighted several internal courses of action to be pursued to upgrade Bowling Green's academic reputation:

- Rewarding superior faculty performance in both teaching and research, including allocating a greater percentage of the salary pool for merit distribution. "I believe that a minimum distribution of 60 percent across-the-board and 40 percent for merit is needed and, my personal preference would be for a still higher percentage to be devoted to rewarding superior performance," he said. Olscamp said the academic affairs office is working with deans, department chairs and school directors to ensure that each department "has a clear, concise and fair system for deciding who is deserving of reward for meritorious performance among faculty," adding that new policies should be in place during the current year.

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Stoner urges preservation of academic tradition

Wielding the metaphor of the samurai sword, Dr. Ronald Stoner, professor and dean of the Faculty Senate in 1982-83, challenged the faculty to preserve the traditions of the academic community when he spoke at the fall convocation on Oct. 1.

Noting the importance of both ritual and tradition in academia, Stoner alluded to television's "Ascent of Man" series, recalling the importance of tradition and ritual in the preservation of human culture and in the formation of the samurai sword, which he described as "a noble instrument used by professionals...The sword and ritual surrounding its manufacture were both for the purpose of preserving a culture and its values.

Stoner challenged the academic community, including "teachers, students, administrators and staff," to preserve academic traditions.

"Our academic culture is often threatened by enemies with names like alienation, financial exigency and McCarthyism...I believe we need a bunch of samurais with good sharp swords to protect ourselves from our enemies because I believe this academic culture is necessary for the survival of the large culture of which it is a part. Without the survival of our academic culture in good health may even be necessary for the survival of the human species," he said.

Stoner noted that both the Faculty Senate and President Olscamp should be samurai warriors during the current academic year. "Tenure, mutual respect, academic honesty, openness in decision-making are all swords for use in mutual protection."

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Faculty to play major role in Olscamp administration

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of the Faculty Senate, and no other group is disfranchised or diminished by them."

Noting that he does not want the charter to be quickly revised, he added, "I would not submit the suggestions for change unless I felt that the charter in its current form is inhibiting the effective governance of Bowling Green State University..." the departmental offices, and additional materials have been distributed to the faculty and staff.

Responsibility should be proportionately distributed in accordance with importance and function. (3) An administrating unit's existence is justified by how well it supports the academic enterprise of the institution."

In addition to governance document and personnel changes, Olscamp said he will work to establish some basic procedures and that "eventually, a systematic, annual, faculty dominated budgetary planning process will be instituted.

Research award deadline Nov. 1

The deadline to apply for annual awards sponsored by the Faculty Research Committee has been announced as Nov. 1, 1982.

Guidelines and application materials are available to all departments, offices, and additional copies also are available in the Graduate College office, 120 McFall Center.

The FRC sponsors two programs in its annual cycle: research associateships and research grants. Research associateships are salary awards to support faculty who pursue approved research projects and usually are tenable during the summer months.

Research Grants are awarded to cover direct expenses associated with a particular research project. The Nov. 1 deadline applies to both types of awards.

The FRC gives priority to new faculty and beginning researchers, but nearly all continuing University faculty are eligible to apply. Award announcements are expected to be made by Jan. 10 for support of projects beginning after May 7. Both the announcement of the awards and deadline to apply have been set earlier this academic year because of the change in the academic calendar.

In addition to the annual program, the FRC continues to award Small Research Grants which are available throughout the year and for which applications are accepted at any time.

For further information about either the annual program or the small grant program, contact Dr. Thomas B. Cobb, Graduate College (2-2791) or any of the following FRC members:
- Dr. Kathleen Campbell, home economics (2-2200);
- Dr. James Albert, mathematics and statistics (2-2202);
- Dr. John Bentley, music performance studies (2-2181);
- Dr. Michael Page, philosophy (2-4072);
- Dr. Ronald Harley, accounting and MIS (2-0351);
- Dr. William Rock, history (2-0163); or Dr. Jong S. Yoon, biological sciences (2-2742).

100 years. A display honoring the centennial year of President D. Roosevelt is being exhibited this month in the University Library.

Pendulum in the glass case on the first floor of the Library, south of the marble staircase, are items on loan from the Dr. Eugene Ocdul Collection, the Center for Archival Collections and the Library's Rare Books and Special Collections areas. The display will remain through Oct. 31.

Emeritus professor, former trustee to be named honorary alumni

A Bowling Green professor who spent more than 30 years teaching students about the political process and a Findlay businessman who spent more than 30 years leading one of the nation's major oil companies have been named 1982 recipients of the University's Honorary Alumni Award.

Dr. Charles Barrett, professor emeritus of political science, and J.C. Donnell II, former chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Marathon Oil, will be honored by the Alumni Association at an awards ceremony at 4 p.m. Wednesday (Oct. 13) in Bryan Recital Hall of the Moore Musical Arts Center. All faculty, staff and students are invited to the presentation.

The Honorary Alumni Award was initiated in 1973 by the Alumni Association to recognize significant contributions to Bowling Green by persons who are not graduates of the University. Barrett and Donnell are the 16th and 17th recipients of the award.

Barrett, who received his doctoral degree from Ohio State University, joined the Bowling Green faculty in 1940. He chaired the political science department from 1954 until his retirement in 1974.

In 1965, Barrett, whose academic interests were political parties and state and local government, ran for a seat on the Bowling Green City Council, and won. For the next 16 years, until this past November, Barrett served on the council.

Always active within the University and community, Barrett has been a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis, the American Association of University Professors, the Town and Gown Club, the American Political Science Association and the University Senate.

At the Wednesday ceremony, Dr. Raymond Yeager, professor emeritus of speech communication, will present Barrett for the award.

Donnell, who was born and raised in Findlay, graduated from Princeton University in 1932. Immediately upon graduation he went to work for the Marathon Oil Company.

In 1936 he was elected to the board of directors, and in 1937 he was promoted to vice president. Eleven years later he was elected president, and he became chairman of the board in 1972.

He retired in 1975 and currently is a director of the New York Life Insurance Company.

Concerned about education and young people, Donnell served four years as a member of the board of trustees for Princeton University and was a member of Bowling Green's Board of Trustees from 1946-65.

At the Wednesday ceremony Carroll Cheek, the former president of the Bowling Green Alumni Association and the president of Great Scot Inc., will present Donnell for the award.

Cleveland businessman to be honored with 1982 Alumni Service Award

William Primrose Jr., president of the Dickey-Grabler Company in Cleveland and a 1942 graduate of the University, is the 1982 recipient of the University's Alumni Service Award.

The award, which is given annually to a Bowling Green alumus who has demonstrated continued and outstanding support of the Alumni Association and the University, will be presented during halftime activities of the University's Homecoming game between the Falcons and the Northern Illinois Huskies on Saturday (Oct. 16) at Doyt L. Perry Field.

A member of the University's President's Club and the Falcon Club, Primrose has been an active supporter of the University's building program, playing an important role in the planning and construction of the Miliat Alumni Center and the Moore Musical Arts Center.

For 1968 until 1972 he served on the Alumni Development Council. Since 1972 he has been a member of the BGU Foundation Board of Directors, serving one term as vice president.

Also, he is a member of the University's College of Business Administration Alumni Advisory Board, working with students and faculty to improve the offerings of the college and help prepare students to find employment upon graduation.
Development Center begins third year

The Faculty Development Center is open for business again.

With two years of experience as the center director behind him, Dr. Benjamin Meister, assistant vice president for business operations, opened the center Oct. 1 in Rooms 402-404 of the University Union. Office hours will be Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., several afternoons, yet to be announced.

Opened as an "experiment" in the fall of 1980, the Faculty Development Center was created to promote teaching effectiveness and provide personal growth assistance to all University faculty. And, according to Rabin, "the center is just that and is improving with age.

Rabin's underlying philosophy in managing the center is that "Faculty members would be more effective if they knew how to deal with problems, financial planning, career change, classroom teaching, retirement concerns and planning."

Last year the center sponsored co-sponsored or supported conferences and workshops on topics ranging from "Teaching for More Effective Learning" to "Problem of Aging Faculty Members" and "Faculty Retirement and Social Security." 

More than 400 people attended the 70 faculty attended those gatherings.

In addition the center served 70 faculty through individual conferences and counseled 175 individuals by telephone.

Alumni fund supports undergraduate research

The University Alumni Association has made available for the first time this year a fund to support research conducted by undergraduate students.

Grants of up to $500 will be given to a limited number of undergraduate students who have completed 30 or more semester hours and who have accumulated a grade point average of 3.0 or better are eligible for the research awards.

Applications and guidelines are available in departments offices and in the Graduate College office.

Faculty and staff are urged to encourage eligible students to apply for the undergraduate research grants.

The deadline to apply for the Alumni Undergraduate Research Grants is Nov. 15, 1982. All undergraduate students who have completed 30 or more semester hours and who have accumulated a grade point average of 3.0 or better are eligible for the research awards.

Other activities included the development of a "people" resource file for the Center, development of special areas of teaching expertise and the addition to the file of materials generally involved with faculty development. Both the lists of available materials and the materials themselves can be obtained from the Development Center.

Questions about the activities of the center can be directed either to Rabin or the center's officer, Suzanne Baron, at 372-2831.

Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate requested at its Oct. 5 meeting that implementation of an optional family dental and optical insurance package be delayed until the Finance Committee can review the feasibility of providing that option.

Following a report from both Dr. Ronald Stoner, senate chair, and Paul Nusser, treasurer, regarding the survey conducted by the insurance office, the committee determined how many faculty and staff would elect the optional family coverage. The senators approved the motion to defer action by a vote of 13-1.

According to results of the survey, some 268 faculty and staff indicated interest in the program either by returning the questionnaire or by responding to a telephone survey conducted by the Faculty Senate office. The questionnaires were mailed to 617 employees.

Nusser told the senate that based upon such a low percentage of participation the monthly cost of providing the family vision and dental package would be about $39.31 per month. Those who elected the program, compared to a rate of $19.22 per month if 75 percent of the eligible participants would have indicated interest in the plan.

Nusser added that he is not certain if a group plan can legally be provided by the University if the participation rate is less than 75 percent.

Numerous questions regarding the desirability of offering the optional plan to so few participants at such a high monthly rate were raised, prompting the motion by Dr. Richard Ward, management, to defer action on the plan at this time.

In other business, the senate heard a report from George Postich, assistant president for business operations, on the area of study of insurance.

Postich, emphasizing the need for strengthening ties with the faculty "in times of shrinking resources," sought input from the senators on ways in which the operations area could become more academic.

He added that operations budgets have been cut by more than $1 million in recent years and that some essential purchases and repairs have been deferred because of budget constraints and personnel reductions.

Noting that significant steps already have taken to be taken to achieve more cost-efficient, he added the installation of several major computers, new approaches to personnel management and projects which have enabled the University to receive $1.6 million in external funding, Postich expressed the need to secure more faculty expertise in helping the support operations of the University. He cited several past projects which have been successfully completed with faculty input.

Upcoming grant deadlines

The following research grant and fellowship deadlines have been announced by the Office of Research Services. Further information about these and other opportunities for external funding are available at the office in the McGraw Hill Center, 1st Floor, 11/82.

- National Science Foundation - Research in the Behavioral and Social Sciences
- National Science Foundation - Research in the Biological Sciences
- National Science Foundation - Research in the Computer Science
- National Science Foundation - Research in the Education Sciences
- National Science Foundation - Research in the Environmental Sciences
- National Science Foundation - Research in the Geosciences
- National Science Foundation - Research in the Health Sciences
- National Science Foundation - Research in the Physical Sciences
- National Science Foundation - Research in the Social Sciences

Ronan to direct research office

Marian Ronan, who has served as acting director of the Office of Research Services since February, has been appointed director of that office, effective Oct. 1.

According to Dr. Garret Heberlein, dean of the Graduate College and vice provost for research, the appointment brings to a close a "month long search begun last June to fill this position." Heberlein noted that the research services office is the central administrative point at the University for the coordination of grants and contracts and is responsible for providing overall administrative support for research and grant-sponsored programs on campus.

Ronan, who joined the University staff in 1979 as assistant director of research services, received a bachelor's degree from Temple University and a master of science degree in education from the University of Pennsylvania. Prior to her Bowling Green appointment she was development officer and assistant administrator at Grailville, an adult education center in a rural community near Cincinnati. She also served as assistant director of private schools in New York City and Philadelphia.

The author of two books and a co-author of a third, she has published numerous articles in professional journals and regularly serves as a reviewer for "Grants Magazine" and "The Journal of the Society of Research Administrators."

Among her responsibilities as director will be the development of new services and systems to strengthen Bowling Green's research environment.

A special seminar to acquaint faculty and staff with new services offered will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Monday (Oct. 11) in the Capital Room of the University Union. New services are especially encouraged to attend.
Homecoming 1982

Events include something for everyone

"Jam packed" might be the best way to describe the 81st annual University Homecoming celebration, a weekend extravaganza which will take five days to complete.

Set for Wednesday through Sunday (Oct. 13-17), the long weekend of events will include an old-fashioned pep rally and bonfire, a snake dance, the naming of a Homecoming court, a carvass, a caravanserai tailgate party, a jazz concert, numerous dances and dinners, and — of course — a football game.

The football game will be the highlight of the weekend as the Falcons meet the Northern Illinois Huskies in a 3:30 p.m. Saturday contest at Doan-L. Furry Field. But the football game is the culmination of a "weekend" which begins on Wednesday with the presentation of two Honorary Alumni Awards. This year's recipients are Dr. Charles Balest, professor of political science, and J.C. Donnell II, the former chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Marathon Oil in Findlay.

On Wednesday, the Board of Black Cultural Activities will present a fashion show at 8 p.m. in the Commons, Northeast. Admission is 50 cents.

Employment Opportunities

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

NEW VACANCIES

Posting Expiration Date: Monday, Oct. 18, 1982

10-18-1 Laboratory Technologist
Pay Range 27
Biological sciences
Temporary part-time to March 1983

10-18-2 Typist 1
Pay Range 11
Special Education
Temporary part-time to May 1983

CONTINUED VACANCIES

Posting Expiration Date: Monday, Oct. 11, 1982

10-11-1 Clerical Specialist
Pay Range 1
Forelands Campus
Huron, Ohio

10-11-2 Data Entry Operator 1
Pay Range 6
Philosophy Documentation Center
Permanent part-time

10-11-3 Secretary 1
Pay Range 29
College of Arts & Sciences/Dean's Office

Faculty/Staff Positions

The following faculty positions have been authorized:

English: Assistant Professor. Contact Lester Barber (2-3576). Deadline: Nov. 22, 1982


The following contract positions have been approved:

Chemical Engineering, Associate professor (anticipated). Contact Carolyn Heickman, director, electron microscopy facility (2-2352). Deadline: Oct. 11, 1982


Executive Secretary: Direct 3 internal search only. Contact chair, search committee, Office of Vice President for Academic Affairs (2-2015). Deadline (extended): Oct. 18, 1982

People helping people. More than 39,000 people in Wood County were recipients of some type of service from a United Way agency last year, including nearly 9,000 youth who were part of the Red Cross Youth Program and more than 4,000 people who received assistance from the American Cancer Society.

The University's United Way campaign drive will continue through this month, with a goal of collecting $45,000.

Mail on campus. Today is Columbus Day, a holiday for federal employees. It will be business as usual, however, for the campus post office, which will both pick up and deliver mail during the day.

There will be limited delivery of incoming mail, however, since federal postal trucks will not be running.

Datebook

Sculpture by Beverly Shanfielder.
University alums, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
weekdays and 2:25 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Oct. 17-Nov. 7, Fine Arts Gallery, School of Art, Fine. A reception for the artist will be held Oct. 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the University Union Oval when students and townspeople will mass for the now-annual snake dance.

The snake dance will wind its way down the steps in the center of the stadium where a bonfire and pep rally will be held. After the pep rally, a jazz concert featuring the Marcus Belgrave Quintet will begin at 10 p.m. in the Amani Commons. Admission is $1.

Friday will have a distinctive carnival atmosphere as the Union Activities Organization sponsors a Homecoming "Farwell From 4:11 p.m. immediately west of the stadium.

The Commuter Center, a home away from home for the 30,000-plus students who have commuted to campus since the center opened in 1967, is sponsoring an Open House and Campus Day from 7 to 9 p.m. to midnight Friday in the Commuter Center, Mosley Hall.

Also on Friday, the nationally ranked Falcon hockey team will open its 1982-83 season against NCAA championship runner-up Wisconsin.

The game will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Ice Arena. The two teams will meet again on Saturday night.

At 7 p.m. on Saturday, the Alumni Association is sponsoring an open house beginning at 9 a.m. in the Miltioli Alumni Center.

At 7:30 p.m., Bryan Reclah Hall, Corporate credit is available for participation.

Wednesday, Oct. 13

Honorary alumni award presentations, 4 p.m., Bryan Reclall Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Open to all faculty and staff.

Alumna to sing for scholarship

Acclaimed coloratura soprano Cuccaro will perform in the first annual Bowling Green Oct. 13 to perform at her alma mater.

Cuccaro, a 1964 graduate of the University and one of the youngest contestants ever to win the national Metropolitan Opera auditions, will perform at 8 p.m. Wednesday in Kobacker Hall of the Moore Musical Arts Center.

The second annual "Just for Kicks: A Musical Revue," featuring local talent, presented by the Wood County Hospital Guild, will be open to all majors.

Soccer vs. Indiana, 12:30 p.m., Bryan Reclall Hall. Free. Ticket information available by calling the music center box office.

"Just for Kicks: A Musical Revue," featuring local talent, presented by the Wood County Hospital Guild. Free. Ticket information available by calling the music center box office.

Saturday, Oct. 16

Rugby, Ohio Collegiate Championships, 10 a.m., College Park Field.

Homecoming tailgate party, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., outside the stadium.

Football vs. Northern Illinois (Homecoming), 1:30 p.m., Memorial Field, Auditorium, University Hall. For ticket information call University Hall. Free.

"The Elephant Man," University Theatre production, 8 p.m., Bryan Reclall Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free. For ticket information call University Hall.

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Sunday, Oct. 17

Fiber art in France, a slide-lecture by Frances Wilson, an American-born fiber artist living in France. A slide-lecture presentation, 10 a.m., Bryan Reclass Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. For ticket information call Peggy Boren, 525-0769.

Alumni who trained at Moore Musical Arts Center.

"Dark Victory," a 90-minute private performance, 7:30 p.m., Gish Film Theater, Hanna Hall. Free.

Monday, Oct. 11

Columbus artist John Doyle will discuss his wildlife portraits, 7 p.m., Miltioli Alumni Center. Sponsored by the Alumni Association, the free program will be followed by a reception for the artist.

Open auditions for the University Theatre production of "A Friend From Aways." 7 p.m., Room 400, University Hall. Scripts are available at the theater office, 322 South Hall.

Auditions for the Tree House Troop, the University's traveling children's theater company, 7 p.m., Room 400, University Hall. Course credit is available for participation.

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