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Center gives grants to fund music-related activities

Nineteen individuals have received more than \$6,000 in grants ranging from \$100 to \$2,500 each from the MidAmerican Center for Contemporary Music at the University.

The funding is available to Bowling Green faculty, staff and students in the College of Musical Arts for research and other activities related to music composed since 1945.

Receiving grants were:

—Dr. Burton Beerman, music composition and history and director of the music technology studios, who received a travel grant to perform at the 1992 New Music Festival at Western Illinois University;

—Judith Bentley, music performance studies, who was given funding toward concert and master class expenses for guest flutist Bonita Boyd;

—Mark Bunce, recording engineer/technician for the MidAmerican Center for Contemporary Music, who was given a travel grant to participate in the 10th World Saxophone Congress next fall in Pesaro, Italy;

—Dr. Richard James, music composition and history, who received a travel grant to participate in the American Musicological Society annual meeting in Chicago;

—Dr. William E. Lake, music composi-

tion and history, who was given a travel grant to attend the 1991 National Conference on Technology in Music Instruction in Chicago;

—Dr. Barbara Lockard-Zimmerman, music performance studies, who received funding to assist with concert and master class fees for guest vocalist Janice Hasanyi;

—Dr. John Sampen, performance studies, who was awarded a travel grant to participate in the 10th World Saxophone Congress in Pesaro, Italy;

—Dr. Marilyn Shrude, music composi-

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From the BGSU help line...

This is the last in a series of Help Line questions and answers. Due to a decline in the number of questions, the series will no longer be printed. However, if employees have questions, they may still call Help Line at 2-HELP.

Questions

Q. If a person changes from a 12-month position to a nine-month position, will the benefits remain the same?

A. The major difference would be reduced retirement contributions if the employee is paid only during nine months.

Q. If someone does sacrifice by going to an academic year position or changes his or her status, will that person be guaranteed a job and ultimately not be laid off?

A. No employee is exempt from the layoff process should it occur.

Q. If there were a one percent across-the-board increase for faculty, how many dollars would that involve?

A. Approximately \$470,000.

Q. The president mentioned a savings of \$650,000 for the summer; how much of these monies reflect the 17 percent decrease in summer faculty salaries?

A. The 17 percent decrease in summer instructional salaries equals \$609,000. This is the figure the president mentioned. Total savings from conversion from 12-month to nine-month appointments, reduced hours, etc. are not yet known.

Q. Who will staff the new field house? Will people who are laid off be asked to come back for openings in this building?

A. Some existing staff in the Student Recreation Center will be moved. If additional staffing is needed, the recall list of individuals in the appropriate job series will be utilized.

COBRA ensures health care option

The Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act requires employers to offer continuation of health care coverage to "qualified beneficiaries" upon occurrence of certain events, such as death or layoffs.

A qualified beneficiary is defined as the employee and/or other covered person(s) (spouse, widow, ex-spouse, dependent children) if they were covered under the plan on the date the event occurred.

Each qualified beneficiary can elect coverage separately unless the employee chooses coverage that affects dependents or an ex-spouse chooses a plan covering the children. Each qualified beneficiary may make a separate selection among types of coverage (i.e. medical, dental, vision, etc.). For example, an employee may choose different types of coverage, such as medical and vision, and the employee's qualified beneficiaries may choose other types of coverage, such as medical and dental.

Qualifying events

The events which would qualify a person for COBRA coverage are:

- a. the employee's death;
- b. voluntary or involuntary termination

of employment (other than for gross misconduct);

—c. reduction in hours which makes employee ineligible for coverage;

—d. divorce or legal separation;

—e. dependent child ceasing to be a dependent child under eligibility provisions of plan (age, etc.);

—f. the employee's entitlement to medicare benefits; or

—g. the employer filing for a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition.

Duration of coverage

The duration of coverage is determined by the type of event that qualifies the covered person(s) to elect continuation of coverage.

If the employee is terminated or his/her hours of work are reduced, coverage may be continued for up to 18 months (29 months if the employee is disabled for Social Security purposes at time event occurs and notifies employer of such determination).

In all other cases, except for bankruptcy, coverage may be continued for up

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New monthly COBRA rates effective 9/1/91 Unclassified employees (Faculty and Administrative Staff)

| | Single | Dependents | Employee & Dependents |
|---------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Medical | \$162.45** | \$254.13 | \$416.58 |
| Dental Care | \$21.95 | N/A | \$21.95* |
| Vision Care | \$6.24 | N/A | \$6.24* |
| TOTAL PROGRAM | \$190.64 | \$254.13 | \$444.77 |

*These totals represent single coverage only.

**Ex-spouses and children being taken off the BGSU plan would be charged this rate as they are not covered by the vision and dental coverages.

Classified employees (Hourly)

| | Single | Dependents | Employee & dependents |
|---------------|----------|------------|-----------------------|
| Medical | \$213.98 | \$304.13 | \$518.11 |
| Dental Care | \$17.96 | \$32.09 | \$50.05 |
| Vision Care | \$5.81 | \$6.75 | \$12.57 |
| TOTAL PROGRAM | \$237.75 | \$342.97 | \$580.73 |

OBITUARIES

Robert W. McKay

Robert W. McKay, 84, died May 26 at Wood County Hospital. McKay retired from the University in 1973, having served as the director of student aid, administrator of G.I. Bill benefits and a teacher of physics. He had worked at the University for 30 years.

He co-founded the BGSU chapter of Alpha Phi Omega and also founded Ohio Science Day. He was also active in developing the National Association for Financial Aid Directors.

He earned his master's and bachelor's degrees at The Ohio State University.

Memorials may be made to the Shriner Burns Hospital or Wood County Historical Society.

Martha R. Ridgeway

Martha R. Ridgeway, 95, formerly of Bowling Green, died May 30 in Lafayette, La.

She had been a cook at the University and retired in 1966.

COBRA

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to 36 months.

The continuation of coverage period begins on the date original coverage is lost, not the date of the qualifying event. A qualified beneficiary may be eligible under two or more qualifying events, but in no case can the duration of coverage exceed 36 months. For example, if an employee's employment is terminated, coverage may be continued for 18 months. If the employee dies after 12 months, the spouse and any dependent children may continue coverage for an additional 24 months.

GRANTS

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tion and history, who received travel funding to participate in the 10th World Saxophone Congress in Pesaro, Italy;

—Suzanne Thierry, administrative assistant at the center, who received assistance toward participating in the National Flute Association Piccolo Master Class Competition. She also received a travel grant to attend the 20th Annual Flute Association Convention in Los Angeles;

—Venti da Camera, the faculty woodwind quintet, received travel funding to perform contemporary American music in Belgium in conjunction with American Music Week. Quintet members include Dr. John Bentley, Edward Marks, David Melle, Robert Moore and Herbert Spencer.

—Douglas Graves, a graduate student from Kansas City, Mo., who received funding to complete research on the Crow Indians of Montana;

—Krista Palmer, a junior music major from Sylvania, who received a grant to attend the 19th Annual Flute Association Convention in Washington, D.C.;

FACULTY/STAFF POSITIONS

The following administrative staff positions are available:

Admissions: admissions counselor or assistant director of admissions (search re-opened). Contact Sam Ramirez (Search M-012), 2-2228. Deadline: June 26.

Intercollegiate Athletics: assistant basketball coach (men's). Contact Sam Ramirez (Search M-029), 2-2228. Deadline: June 20.

Intercollegiate Athletics: assistant football coach (search re-opened). Contact Sam Ramirez (Search V), 2-2228. Deadline: June 16.

Recreational Sports: assistant director of intramurals and club sports. Contact Sam Ramirez (Search V-028), 2-2228. Deadline: July 10.

The following faculty position is available:

English: creative writing instructor (full-time/terminal, 1992-93 academic year only). Contact Dr. Richard Gebhardt, chair, Department of English. Deadline: June 26.

Workshop to sharpen communication skills

A continuing education workshop on "Enhancing Your Communication Skills" is being offered June 15-20.

Those who enroll will learn how to strengthen both their social and profes-

Bandy wins post in Ohio organization

Melissa Bandy, director of the hospitality management program, has been voted president-elect of the Ohio Council on Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Education.

She will serve as president-elect during the 1992-93 academic year, then assume the presidency in June 1993. She also will serve during that time on the strategic planning committee for International CHRIE.

The OCHRIE was formed to advance teaching, learning, research and practice in the field of hospitality and tourism management.

Bandy has directed Bowling Green's hospitality management program since 1989.

Summer is the time to lose extra pounds

There will be a Weight Watchers pre-registration meeting at noon Thursday (June 11) in the Personnel Conference/Training Center, College Park Office Building. The session will be at no charge.

The next 10-week Weight Watchers program will begin June 18 and continue through Aug. 20. Each session will meet at noon in the Personnel Conference/Training Center, College Park Office Building.

For further information, please call Karol Heckman, 2-2225, or Ruth Milliron, 2-2237.

—Juan A. Rodriguez, a graduate music composition student from San Antonio, Texas, who was awarded funding to perform in the world premiere of a work by Minnesota composer David Means;

—Harry-Simon Shepherd, a graduate music student from Granville, who was given a grant to cover costs for score submission to Florida State University's Festival of New Music and the North/South Consonance, a new music series; and

—Amy Slikkerveer, a senior music major from Clinton, who received funding to attend the 19th Annual Flute Association Convention in Washington, D.C.

The MidAmerican Center for Contemporary Music sponsors a variety of programs designed to assist and enrich the University community, northwest Ohio, and visiting musicians and scholars from throughout the world. In addition to providing small grants to further its goals of education and research, the center sponsors concert series and a nationally recognized New Music & Art Festival.

sional communication skills.

To accommodate individuals who work during the day, workshop sessions will meet from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 9-4 p.m. on Saturday the week of June 15-20.

The workshop will be taught by Ruth Olscamp, communication disorders.

Olscamp, a member of the faculty since 1982, is a licensed speech pathologist in the state of Ohio. She frequently has served as a consultant to persons wanting to improve their speaking skills and often gives communication workshops. In 1991 she received the Master Teacher Award presented by the Undergraduate Alumni Association in recognition of teaching excellence.

Registration for the workshop is underway. For more information, contact the Office of Continuing Education at 2-8181.

Recreation center to hold youth program

The Student Recreation Center is offering a summer fitness program for the children of members.

The Youth Fun and Fitness Program is designed to promote health and fitness for children in grades one through six and familiarize them with the University environment, according to Lauren Mangili, Student Recreation Center.

The program will be scheduled from 1-4 p.m. each afternoon. During the first hour, participants will explore the University community.

The second hour is devoted to activities which promote skill development, coordination and use of creative and imaginative expression.

The final hour is reserved for swimming, educational lessons in water safety or independent free swims.

In addition to members' children, the program will be open to the community if there is space available. The first session will be from June 15-July 3 and the second session will be from July 13-July 31. Grades 1-3 and 4-6 attend on alternating days.

For more information or to register, call Mangili at 2-7482 or 2-2711.

Brush up on CUFS

The following times have been scheduled for hands-on CUFS Requisition (RX) and Receiving Document (RC) training:

Requisition

—9-11 a.m., July 6;

—1-3 p.m., July 7;

—1-3 p.m., July 20; and

—9-11 a.m., July 21.

Receiving Document

—9-10:30 a.m., July 8;

—1-2:30 p.m., July 9;

—9-10:30 p.m., July 22; and

—1-2:30 p.m., July 23.

All sessions will be held in the training room on the sixth floor of the Administration Building. Employees who want to take both the RX and RC classes should not register for two consecutive days. Purchasing needs several days to create a purchase order from the RX, which in turn is needed to create a receiving document.

To participate in the sessions, access to CICS and CUFS is needed. Employees can receive CICS access by contacting Jim Hoy, computer services. To obtain CUFS access, contact Marcia Buckenmyer, personnel services.

To register for training sessions, contact Pat Kania, 2-2911.