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BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

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New electronic kiosk puts information at your fingertips

One of the questions most frequently asked by prospective freshmen visiting the campus is what it is like in the residence halls. High school students and their parents taking campus tours do not see what residence hall rooms are like because University students are not too receptive to groups touring their living quarters.

However, thanks to the cooperative effort of WBGU-TV and computer services, prospective students now have at their fingertips all the information they need about residence halls. It's all there in an electronic "kiosk," installed earlier this month in the admissions office. The kiosk looks like an automated teller machine that uses touch screens and pictures. Users can specify the kind of information they want about the residence halls simply by touching the screen.

For example, the interactive video kiosk allows students to find out what the rooms look like in the nine residence halls, along with information on visiting hours, dining and security.

"I think it's a wonderful way to describe the residence hall program for new students and their parents," said Neal Allen, admissions. "It's going to answer a lot of questions. It's a good informational tool," he added.

By touching a certain residence hall depicted on a map at the beginning of the computer program, prospective students can learn where the hall is located, whether it's co-educational, single sex, and other details. Along with written text, photographs are also featured in the program so students considering attending Bowling Green know what the inside of residence hall rooms looks like as well as the amenities that come with them.

Though student rooms are not seen during the academic year, they are available for inspection over the summer because of the reduced undergraduate student population,



Using the admissions office's new electronic kiosk to give them information about residence halls are prospective students (from left) Lisa Horning, Theresa Milliron and Jo Ellen Dobbins.

Allen said.

Project coordinator Nick Gorant, WBGU-TV, said the multi-media program is another example of how the delivery of information is being shaped by computer technology.

"Computers are supposed to make life easier, information more accessible. Here we have a perfect example of how images, computers and words are combined to better serve a customer base, with the added benefits

of saving time and money for both the user and the business, which is, in this case, the University's admissions office," Gorant said.

Jan Bell, art director at WBGU-TV, coordinated the overall design of the presentation and provided image enhancement as needed. The interactive capacity of the kiosk was developed by Cheryl Joyce, assistant director of learning services at WBGU-TV.



James Hoffman (left), president of the Northwest Region of Society National Bank, presents a check for \$75,000 to President Olskamp to endow the Phillip F. Willis/Society Bank Scholarship. The first scholarship from the funds will be awarded in the fall of 1995.

Bank and benefactor establish scholarship

Thanks to a greenhouse owner who died nearly 50 years ago, students from 28 Toledo-area high schools will be eligible for a \$1,000 scholarship to be given annually at the University.

The first Phillip F. Willis/Society Bank Scholarship will be awarded in the fall of 1995, according to the Office of Financial Aid and Student Employment. The scholarship recently became endowed through \$75,000 given from the Willis trust fund, managed by Society Bank, to the University.

Willis, who died in 1946, formerly owned a greenhouse/nursery business in Toledo.

"A commitment such as this from Society Bank in the form of the Willis scholarship is a very significant commitment toward educating the leaders of the future," said Ken Frisch, director of development. "It is a nice partnership between business and education."

Craig Shopneck, vice president of foundations and endowments at Society Bank, said the Willis trust was originally established to provide money for college education. "Society saw an opportunity to help Bowling Green State University; therefore, funds from the Willis trust were contributed to Bowling Green because of its educational leadership in our area," he said.

The renewable scholarship will be awarded based on need, scholastic ability and character.

OBITUARIES

Jean Yarnell

Jean Yarnell, 51, former director of parking and traffic, died May 20 in Bowling Green Manor after an extended illness. She suffered a heart attack in May 1990.

An 18-year employee of the University, Yarnell started working on campus in the personnel office in 1972. In 1976 she transferred to a position in the Office of the Vice President for Operations. In 1980 she was promoted to director of parking and traffic where she is credited with organizing and implementing the University shuttle service.

Yarnell participated on numerous campus committees and also was a member of the American Business Women's Association.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Elizabeth Cobb

Elizabeth H. Cobb, 86, former director of the Little Shop in the University Union, died May 21 at her home in Sun City, Ariz.

She had been married to the late Col. Farrar Cobb, director of the Union, and has been buried with him in Arlington National Cemetery.

DATEBOOK

Monday, June 6

Dissertation Defense, "A Descriptive Study of TESL Master's Degree Programs," Guihua Li, HESA, 10 a.m., 444 Education Building.

Friday, June 10

Board of Trustees, 1:30 p.m., McFall Center Assembly Room. The selection of a consultant firm to assist with the presidential search will be announced.

Rohrer receives award

Dr. Thomas P. Rohrer, assistant director of bands, has received the 1993-94 Distinguished Teaching Award from the campus chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia music honor society.

The award was presented recently during the College of Musical Arts annual honors program.

Rohrer holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Cincinnati and earned his doctorate from Florida State University in 1993. He previously was interim band director at Northern Arizona University.

University Golf Outing to be held June 10

Classified Staff Council is once again sponsoring its annual University Golf Outing on June 10 at the Creason Golf Course.

Tee times begin at 11:36 a.m. and cost is \$9.50 for every participant. Proceeds from the event go toward CSC's scholarship fund.

CSC members are currently selling raffle tickets with prizes to include an All-Ohio Golf Package, golf umbrellas, towels and balls, plus hats and coolers. Dan Keller, Firelands College advisory board member, and Numismatic Investments of Ohio are helping to sponsor the event.

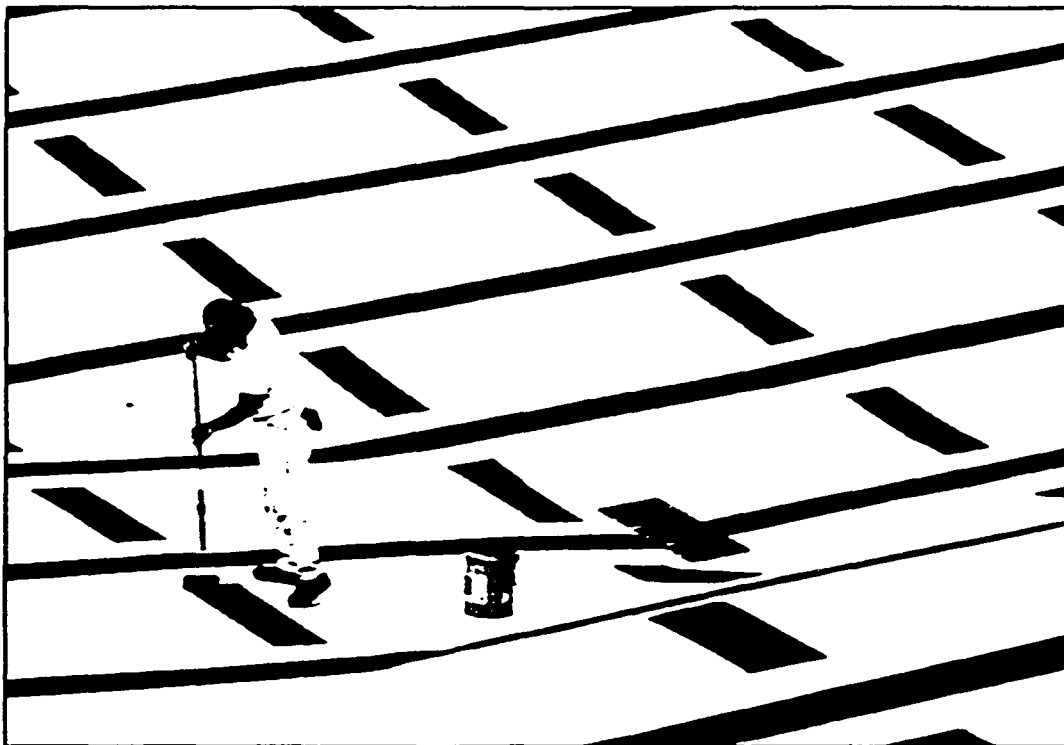
To register for the outing or to purchase raffle tickets, call Meagon Shaffer at 2-2891.

Office has summer hours

Summer hours for the Graduate Student Senate office, located in 707 Administration Building, are 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday.

FOR SALE

The Department of Applied Statistics and Operations Research has an ABDICK mimeograph machine (model 555) for sale for \$80 or the best offer. Also to be given away are some ribbons for an Epson LQ950 printer. Interested persons should contact Pat Zender at 2-2363.



A painter appears to have become a part of a large abstract painting. Actually, he is an employee of Edward L. Myers Inc., the Findlay company in charge of giving Cooper Pool in the Student Recreation Center a new coat of paint. The process took approximately six weeks in order to empty the pool and later to let the paint completely dry. The facility reopens this week.

Edwards teaches weekend class on C.S. Lewis

One of the most widely read writers of the last century has been C. S. Lewis, whose works have retained their popularity with adults and children alike, both within and outside of the Christian community. The recent movie *Shadowlands*, about Lewis's relationship with his wife, the American poet Joy Gresham, has prompted a renewal of interest in his remarkable personal life as well.

On June 10-12, Dr. Bruce L. Edwards, director of graduate studies in English, will conduct a weekend-long workshop on Lewis, his life and his writing. "I've been asked many times

to do a comprehensive overview of Lewis," said Edwards, who commented that writing students in particular will be interested to learn how Lewis was able to communicate with a very diverse audience.

Participants in the workshop will also learn more about the real Joy Gresham. Though she died not long after marrying Lewis, theirs was a romantic and dramatic relationship, Edwards said.

The workshop, which may be taken as a noncredit class or for graduate credit and is being offered to a diverse audience, is sponsored by continuing education, international and summer programs at a cost of \$150. For more information, call Edwards at 2-7451 or Judy Donald, continuing education, at 2-8181.

Added traffic in lots

Parking lots E and 4, located in front of and behind the heating plant, will be used by persons attending Pre-registration activities on campus June 6. It is expected that there will be approximately 136 people attending the program.

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

New Vacancies

Posting expiration date for employees to apply: 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 10.

6-10-1 **Fire Safety Inspector 2**

Pay Grade 29
Environmental Health & Safety

6-10-2 **Word Processing Specialist 1**

Pay Grade 25
Bursar's Office

Surplus auction set

University employees will have the opportunity to purchase surplus and obsolete, unused equipment at a public auction at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the north end of the Reed Street Warehouse between Reed Street and Frazee Avenue.

Employees may charge purchases to their bursar account if they receive pre-approval. Call inventory management at 2-2121 before Wednesday if you wish to charge at the auction.

Staff scholarship applications available

Applications for the Classified Staff Scholarship are available now. The deadline to apply is the end of July.

For additional information, call 2-0210.

FACULTY/STAFF POSITIONS

The following faculty positions are available:

Accounting/MIS: Instructor in MIS (temporary, full-time). Contact Park Leathers (2-2767). Deadline: June 15.

Marketing: Assistant professor (probationary, full-time). Also, visiting professor. Contact James S. West (2-2041). Deadlines: July 15 and July 1, respectively.

Sociology: Assistant professor (probationary, full-time). Contact the sociology department (2-2294). Deadline: July 1.

The following administrative positions are available:

Applied Human Ecology: Clinical site coordinator, foods and nutrition (part-time). Contact personnel services (2-2227). Deadline: July 1.

Continuing Education, International and Summer Programs: Associate director of international programs/study abroad. Contact personnel services (2-8426). Deadline: July 1. Also, assistant director, adult learner services (part-time). Contact personnel services (2-2227). Deadline: June 17.

Intercollegiate Athletics: Assistant men's basketball coach. Contact personnel services (2-2227). Deadline: June 24.

Public Relations: Editor, *Monitor*. Contact personnel services (2-8426). Deadline: June 10.

Theatre: Scene shop supervisor. Contact personnel services (2-2227). Deadline: June 15.

University Computer Services: Systems analyst. Contact personnel services (2-8426). Deadline: June 17.