Employee raises are the highest since cutbacks

An increase in the state educational subsidy and anticipated savings in health care costs mean a fatter paycheck for University employees.

The Board of Trustees June 30 approved the salary raises for in-state employees in several years. The raises, effective July 1, will be distributed to faculty and administrative staff as 2.5 percent across-the-board and 2.5 percent merit. Classified staff will receive a five percent across-the-board raise.

One percent of the salary pool results from significant savings expected in the University's projected health care costs, according to the trustees. The savings are being generated by changes in the employee health care benefit plan, particularly the implementation of the Preferred Provider Option.

Employees also benefitted from a projected educational subsidy which is larger than it has been since 1990. At the time the trustees met, the Ohio House and Senate budget conference committee had just released a final report which included a 7.2 percent increase in the subsidy for higher education. The University had previously budgeted for an anticipated increase of 6.5 percent for 1995-96.

This financial boost allowed the trustees to "achieve the three highest priority goals of the budget committees for 1995-96," said President Otiscamp, speaking at the last meeting of his 13-year tenure.

Those goals are five percent pools for salary increases, including the one percent generated by health care savings; three percent operating budget increases; and a six percent increase in the allocation for library acquisitions.

Otscamp noted that while the state subsidy is back up to the level it was five years ago the University is still behind in faculty salaries.

Campus technology will also benefit from the University's $142.7 million budget for 1995-96. Funds will be set aside for updating equipment in computer labs and for additional networking of labs and academic buildings.

Beginning in the fall, Bowling Green's instructional fees will increase by $186 per year and the general fee will go up by $36. The annual undergraduate instructional fee will be $3,256 and the general fee will be $8,512.

Including standard room and minimum meal rates, approved earlier this year, the total cost for 1995-96 for an Ohio undergraduate living on campus will be $7,676, up $494 from the current year.

John Laskey, president of the board, said that almost one-third of the $494 increase was the result of the University's computerization initiative. In fact, the trustees approved an annual $100 technology fee for on-campus students to upgrade and maintain computer facilities in their residence halls. And $74 of the 1995-96 instructional and general fees paid by each student will be used to purchase slightly more than $1 million worth of new computers and to improve campus lab facilities.

"Otherwise, the total increase would have been only $230 instead of $494," Laskey said. In addition to the undergraduate fees, the graduate instructional fee was also increased, by $254 per year. Total graduate student tuition for 1995-96 will be $3,150.

The nonresident surcharge went up $176, from $4,382 to $4,558 per year. The tuition rate for out-of-state undergraduates will be $8,512 for the coming year.

Residence hall renovations are approved

Two residence halls built in the 1960s will be updated for the 1990s. University trustees voted June 30 to spend approximately $17 million to upgrade Kreischer Quadrangle and part of Harshman Quadrangle, both located on Meroy Road near the east end of campus. Each hall houses 1,300 students.

The project will be financed through the sale of general receipt bonds and paid off through residence hall and dining fees over the next 15 years.

Plans call for upgrading the plumbing and electrical systems as well as refurbishing student rooms in the units. Residence hall rooms will get new carpeting, beds, mattresses, chairs and window treatments; built-in furniture will be refinished and both the lighting and fire alarm systems will be upgraded.

Improvements also will include renovations of restrooms and shower rooms, installation of cabling for computers and remodeling to make the halls totally accessible to the disabled.

In addition, dining facilities will be enhanced with the creation of a centralized food service unit at Kreischer Quadrangle. Expanded seating will increase capacity to more than 600 students and a food court will offer a variety of dining and food service options to meet students' expressed desire for significant changes. The food court will feature stations for a fruit and vegetable bar, desserts, deli sandwiches, pizza and pasta, which will be self-serve.

Improvements in Kreischer Quadrangle should begin almost immediately and be finished in time for the start of the 1996-97 academic year. Renovation work at Harshman will be undertaken during the 1996-97 academic year.

Campus rooms to bear names of employees

Three campus rooms will have new names, reflecting the contributions of former Bowling Green State University employees.

Former University archivist Jack Raney will be remembered in naming 111 Hayes Hall, and two rooms in the renovated Egpler Center will be named for former professors of health, physical education and recreation. The first-floor learning resources room will be named after former physical education professor Dr. Mary Waltz, and the remodeled second-floor dance studio after former dance professor Mary Whitney.

Many of the buildings on campus already bear Raney's mark. During his work with a local architectural firm and as University archivist he helped design or plan for the construction of Hayes Hall, Shatziel Hall, the original Fine Arts Building, Memorial Hall and the Administration Building, among other structures.

Waltz retired in 1978 after 23 years as a faculty member in the School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. She was a leader in the field of professional preparation of physical educators, particularly at the secondary school level.

Whitney, who died in 1981, was a faculty member in the School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation from 1952 until her retirement in 1974. She was active in the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, for which she chaired the Midwest dance section in 1954 and the national dance section from 1945-47. She also played an instrumental role in forming the dance section of the Ohio Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.
Faculty commitment spanned years, academic fields

This is the second installment of short features on the 22 faculty members who are retiring in July. Dr. Phil. degrees will be com-
pleated in next week’s Monitor.

Herbert Greenberg carried the communication disorders department at the University in 1970 while he developed and maintained a research program to complement the academic and therapeutic aspects of the curriculum. He has been chief administrator of the Industrial Agriculture Commission since 1976. Greenberg was director of the Communications Research Center and has had the Federal University, college and departmental commit-
tee.

Outside the University, Greenberg has been a clinical assistant in the Department of Medicine at St. Luke’s Hospital in Maumee and clinical assistant professor in the Department of Pediatrics at Medical College of Ohio. He was chief administrator for auditory-brainstem response evaluations at MCO and served as chief administrator for speech and language therapeutic services for the Children’s Resource Center in Bowling Green from 1984-87. In 1986 he presented the Employees Association of Toledo Volunteer Service Award by the Toledo Hearing and Speech Center.

Emeritus Lam is employed in libraries and Learning Resources since 1968. He introduced the Asian-American component to ethnic studies and was the first person to present American studies in a state university. He frequently presents at conferences and events related to ethnic studies as a panelist and organizer.

In the early 1970s, Lam and Dante Thurairatnam, ourfriendship, co-founded the University’s cricket club. Lam was the chairman of the Urban Agriculture, which he co-founded in the mid-80s to introduce the politics, history and culture of the Caribbean to the campus. In this capacity, he also organized the annual Bob Marley Festival. For the past five years, he has been giving talks to students on the role of racially mixed groups in the community at large.

Gpart tunnel project restricts access to lots

Construction of the Ridge Street tunnel will limit access to lots adjacent to it for approximately two weeks, beginning today (July 10).

Access to those parking lots will only be available through Library Drive, which is located between the Library and Fine Arts Building.

The Department of Public Safety reminds drivers to use caution when entering and exiting using Parking Lot F.

Additional faculty and staff parking is available in Lots C (east of the Fine Arts Building), Lot G (north of Moore Musical Arts Center), and Lot D (east of Rodgers Quadrangle).

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Posting expiration date for employees to apply: 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 14

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Richard Lineback joined the philosophy department in 1965. In 1968 he was awarded a University Research Grant to study the applica-
ons of the computer in philosophy. Out of this grew the Philosophy Documentation Center. The primary project of the center is The Philosopher’s Guide, an international quarterly index to philosophical periodicals, founded and edited by Lineback. The center also publishes the world’s most comprehensive source on philosophy. Today, a two-volume set titled Directory of American Philosophers and International Directory of Philosophy and Philosophers.

In 1977, Lineback was selected by Alpha Lambda Delta as ounts to receive the faculty of the year award. In 1979, he was installed as president of the National Federation of Abstracting and Indexing Services. That same year, he received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to fund two conferences on the interchange of bibliographic information on magnetic tape and attended a White House conference on library and information services. Lineback was presented the Friends Award in 1994 by the Friends of the University Libraries in recognition of his support and contributions to Jerome Library’s collection of contemporary philosophy materials.

Lenita Lacey ends a 26-year career at Bowling Green. For the past 21 years she and her husband, Dr. Michael Lacey, have guided the academic program in French, which has grown into one of the most respected American programs in France today. They also headed the redesign of the University’s master’s in French program, incorporating its first year into the program in France. During Lacey’s term the program grew from just two to more than 20 master’s students in French. Lacey was coordinator of Bowling Green’s Academic Programs Abroad from 1974-77 and 1979-95. She was director of Summer Study in Tours, France, from 1990-93 and was resident director of the academic year in France in 1977-78.

Errol Meronk retired from Bowling Green. In 1967 he became a full professor in 1992 and taught all aspects of mathematics from algebra to calculus. He wrote the final version of the department graduate committee, was closely involved in who was instrumental in the design of the senior and graduate-level curriculum.

Meronk was departmental interim chair for the fall 1994 semester, which also made him chair of the departmental advisory and personnel committees. Meronk worked on the committee continuously from 1970-82. He was chair of the committee for nine of those years.

Kenneth Backler joined the physics and astronomy department in 1970. In 1976 he directed a program funded by the National Science Foundation designed to introduce gifted minority high school students to physics-related professions.

James Osters taught economics at Bowling Green for 26 years. From 1985-86 he was director of graduate studies in economics, following a year as acting director. He is co-author of the book An Analysis of Retailing Influences as Determinants of Urban Mortgage Lending Flows, published in 1980. His research interests include urban economics and credit rationing. He has written and spoken extensively on these topics. He has also served as a consultant to the city of Bowling Green.

Trevor Phillips had EDFI chair since 1988. He was active in Bowling Green in 1963 for the University of Connecticut. From 1969-75 he was director of the Office of Experimental Studies, which launched the women’s, ethnic, and jazz studies programs at the University. He was vice president and president-elect of the University Federation from 1990-92, and was a faculty senator from 1986-88.

Twice he served as president of the Bowling Green chapter of the American Association of University Professors. Since 1978 he been associated with the American Secondary Education, a quarterly journal, and was editor of New Directions in Teaching from 1969-81.

Deadline nearing for CSC scholarship

Applications for Classified Staff Council scholarships are due by July 14.

Scholarships are for classified staff, whose dependent and/or eligible spouses who will be taking classes at Bowling Green during the 1995-96 school year. Four $150 scholarships will be awarded at the fall convocation.

Applicants must be the least at the second level Department, Ph.D. personal and, as a consequence, by contacting Nancy Lee at 2-6210.

DATEBOOK

Monday, July 10

UAO activity, live music and free treats, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Union Oatl. Rainsite: the Commons.

Wednesday, July 12

Movie, "Three's Company," 8 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Free.

Thursday, July 13

UAO activity, three-point shoot-out contest, Conklin recreation area. Rainsite: Student Recreation Center. Free.

Monday, July 17

UAO activity, live music and free treats, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Union Oatl. Rainsite: the Commons.

At Firelands Classified Staff Council, 9 a.m., noon, Monday, July 11.