Public forums scheduled for VPAA finalists

Ten months ago the University community was enlisted in the interview process for a new president. Now faculty, staff and students are being encouraged to take part in the search for a new vice president for academic affairs.

Four finalists have been chosen for the position, and by the time Christmas arrives, each will have spent two days at the University in interviews and meetings.

A public forum will be held for each candidate to answer questions regarding their qualifications. In the initial part of the forums, candidates will be asked to address the question, "What do you see as the academic directions which universities like BGSU should pursue in the years ahead and what are some of the critical challenges which such universities now face?"

Other private meetings have been arranged with deans, directors, vice presidents, classified staff council, administrative staff council, student government groups and Firelands College.

The first candidate, Dr. Richard J. Collings, provost and vice president for academic affairs at Kutztown University in Kutztown, Pa., was on campus last week. He spoke at a public forum on Thursday (Dec. 7).

Other candidates and their visit dates include: Dr. Lawrence D. Bryan, president and professor of religion at Kalamazoo College in Kalamazoo, Mich. (Dec. 11-12), with a public presentation at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday (Dec. 12) in 1007 Business Administration Building; Dr. Jane L. Winer, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and professor of psychology at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas (Dec. 12-14), with a public presentation at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday (Dec. 13) in 115 Education Bldg.; and Dr. Charles R. Middleton, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and professor of history at the University of Colorado in Boulder, Colo. (Dec. 18-19), with a public presentation at 1:30 p.m. Dec. 18 in 1007 Business Administration Bldg.

Complete resumes of the candidates are available in the offices of the vice presidents, the dean's offices, the Jerome Library Reserve Room, the Faculty Senate Office and the Firelands College Library.

A Search and Screening Committee, looking for a successor to Dr. Eloise Clark, who announced in August her intention to step down from the position she has held since 1983, has been advertising for and reviewing candidates for the past several months.

Doctoral program is not history despite OBOR cuts

Although the Ohio Board of Regents voted to withdraw funding from Bowling Green's doctoral program in history, those who fought for its survival have not given up hope yet.

"I hope that we can find a way to continue the program," said Dr. Eloise Clark, vice president for academic affairs. "We have to take a very careful look at it and make an evaluation relative to our total budget."

At least Bowling Green may have had some impact on the way OBOR will conduct reviews of other doctoral programs planned for the future.

According to spokesperson Linda Ogden, the regents are looking into postponing action on the next round of doctoral reviews, which had been tentatively scheduled for February, to give all universities involved a chance to look at and speak on the recommendations regarding the reviewed programs.

This action comes in response to concerns from universities, including Bowling Green, that there was little time given to respond to the recommendations from the Committee on State Investment regarding the history cuts.

Playing Santa
Roberta Kane, payroll, admires the holiday items that were sold in a silent auction hosted by her department last week.

Twenty-three donated prizes, including tickets to Graceland and boxed seats to the Toledo Mudhens, were sold to raise money to purchase Christmas presents for 14 needy children in Wood County. Other departments on campus involved in similar holiday projects will be profiled in next week's Monitor.
Technology to help senators visit Firelands

Faculty Senate will hold one meeting a year at Firelands College but technology will be used to ensure a good attendance.

Senate voted last week to teleconference next year's meeting to the main campus.

Not enough of the 70 or so voting members had made the trip to Huron to create a quorum when the senate met at Firelands last October. Many senators explained that because classes they taught were so close to the meeting time there was no room left for travel, according to Fiona MacKinnon-Slaney, senate chair.

Firelands faculty would still like to continue the annual tradition, which was started three years ago during the 25th anniversary of the founding of the college. "We take a bit of a gamble that one time a year [main campus faculty] can not traverse the 65 miles" to Firelands when Firelands faculty come to main campus on a regular basis, said Dr. Robert DeBard, Firelands.

Harold Lunde, vice chair of senate, urged senators "to do the best job you can" to make the trip to Firelands next year.

In other business, Faculty Senate heard from Dr. Eloise Clark, vice president for academic affairs, regarding the low number of undergraduate applications coming in this year compared to the same time in previous years.

"It's too early to panic but not too early to get engaged," she said, noting that faculty will be enlisted in making follow-up calls to prospective students. "This is not just a job of admissions but something all of us need to be concerned about."

In answer to a question from a senate member on another matter, Clark said a senior faculty member is being recruited to serve as a resource for the issues of teaching, learning and technology on campus. But she noted that there are no plans to re-open a faculty development center at this time.

BGSU student is a star in ads

When Jennifer Nelson's boyfriend told her he heard "the most beautiful voice" on his radio she assumed he meant a recording star. But he was referring to Nelson.

The 20-year-old sophomore from Bloomdale has become a local star of sorts. Her friendly face greets travelers from a billboard along S.R. 25, she has been seen on television as much as one season of Seinfeld and her voice can be heard on radio stations including the one tuned in by her boyfriend.

All of these appearances were for a recent advertising campaign conducted by St. Vincent Medical Center in Toledo. In the video, Nelson, who is wearing a BGSU sweatshirt, describes the care she was given at the hospital after a car accident on Valentine's Day 1992.

A junior at Elmhurst High at the time, she was driving to school when she hit a patch of ice on Jerry City Rd. and skidded into a pole. She broke her femur, jaw, sacrum and pelvis and had other internal injuries. Her younger brother, who was riding with her, was not hurt.

After being transported to St. Vincent's by Lifeflight medical helicoptor and given care in the trauma unit, she spent a month in the hospital and the rest of the school year recuperating at home under the constant nursing of her grandmother, a visiting nurse and a therapist. Nelson was able to walk four months after the accident and graduated on time with her classmates the next year.

The few reminders of the accident are some nerve damage in her left leg and, of course, the advertising.

As she testified in the commercial, she feels that the hospital staff treated her very well during her stay. However, the soft-spoken sophomore was surprised and a bit embarrassed at the amount of coverage her story was given.

Nelson said she had consented to do the interview for the commercial, for which she was given $50 in gift certificates to the Olive Garden restaurant, but didn't expect to see and hear herself all over northwest Ohio as a result.

The wide exposure hasn't turned her head, though. Nelson can still be found working part-time at Reprographics in the Administration Building on campus and has no plans to stop pursuing a dual degree in sociology and women's studies in favor of a modeling career.

Room and board increase will help support renovations to halls

Room and board rates will go up by $292 a year beginning next fall.

The increase was approved by the Board of Trustees Dec. 1, who noted that Bowling Green's current room and board fees are the lowest of any public university in Ohio and are expected to remain among the lowest next year.

Almost half of the increase will be used to help pay the costs of major renovations in Kreischer and Harshman Quadrangles, two of the largest residence halls on campus. In addition to upgrading the rooms and dining areas, the previously refurbished halls will have additional safety features, including more night clerks.

"We're really at a difficult place because of the great number of buildings put up in the 1960s that now need to be renovated," said trustee Valene Newell.

The annual standard room and board rates next year for an on-campus undergraduate will be $3,914, up from the current charges of $3,622.

Kreischer Quadrangle is being remodeled this year and is expected to be reopened in the fall, when half of Harshman will be closed. Each residence hall has a capacity of 1,300 students. In all, about 7,000 students will be living on campus next year.

In other action, the trustees approved a "conservative" personnel budget for next year that calls for the addition of two police officers, two faculty members and a technician.

Also, they approved expenditures of nearly $2 million for campus improvement projects, mostly in residence and dining halls. The funds come from reserves set aside for repairs and renovations.

Holiday hours

All University operations will be closed Dec. 25, 26 and Jan. 1. However, some offices will also have limited hours or will be closed on the other days between Christmas and New Year's. Here is a list of hours of operation for some University services during the holidays:

COMPUTER SERVICES:
Test scanning hours for final exams will be extended to include Saturday morning, Dec. 23, from 8 a.m.-noon, 301 Hayes Hall.

INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA SERVICES:
Audiovisual services, 102 Education Building and 116 Otscamp, will be closed from Dec. 23-Jan. 8; materials production laboratory, 206 Education Building, will be closed Dec. 25-29. To obtain audiovisual equipment before final examination week make arrangements with James Shorter at 2-2882 or Julie Baker at 2-6993.

INVENTORY MANAGEMENT/ CENTRAL STORE/ OFFICE SUPPLIES:
Office open from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 27-Dec. 29. There will be no morning services or deliveries of freight and/or office supplies during that time, but walk-in customers are welcome.

POSTAL SERVICES
Open regular hours, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

PURCHASING
Closed Dec. 27-29

REPROGRAPHIC SERVICES
Open regular hours, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE
Open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 27-29

UNIVERSITY UNION

FOOD OPERATIONS:
Drive underway to bring AIDS quilt here

Assistance from the University community is needed to help bring the AIDS memorial quilt and the mother of one of the more well-known victims of the disease to campus.

A display featuring 550 panels of the Names Project Memorial Quilt is scheduled to be on campus Feb. 27-Feb. 29. This will be the largest display of the quilt in northwest Ohio since 1993 appearance at BGSU which attracted more than 7,000 visitors. Jean White, mother of young AIDS activist Ryan White has been invited to speak during the display, the theme of which will be "United in Hope." Ryan White fought for education and research into the disease until he died from it.

Because admission to the events will be free and open to the north-west Ohio community, help is needed in financing the project. A fundraising campaign is underway and donations are being accepted through Dec. 22. Those wishing to donate may make their checks payable to "AIDS Quilt" and send them to Pat Green, photography sciences or Amy O'Donnell, student life.

Volunteer assistance is also needed to help in a variety of ways during the display. Those interested in volunteering should contact Tyrone Nichols, chair of the volunteer team, at twicho@bgnet or at 2-2730.

Those who would like to request a specific panel be included in the campus display should contact L.B. Berger at jberger@bgnet or at 2-2081.

Fair to offer tips on improving work areas

Faculty and staff can learn more about how to prevent work-related injuries at the first-ever ergonomics fair to be held on campus Jan. 10. The theme of the fair, "Ergonomics: An ounce of prevention," will focus on potential injuries and what University employees can do to prevent them.

The fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in 101 Otoscop Hall and will offer speakers, presentations and displays on office, non-office and trades-related environments.

Some of the topics to be addressed include repetitive motion injuries and how to prevent them and managing stress and arthritis pain.

Displays will include vendors of equipment related to ergonomics in the work place, medical benefits information, health and wellness programs in Wood County and more.

Limited spots available for baseball camp

A limited number of openings remain for youths aged 8-18 wishing to attend the Bowling Green State University baseball program's third annual Winter Camp.

For more information, contact coach Danny Czand and his staff will conduct the clinic Dec. 27-Dec. 29 at the University Field House. Players from BGSUs 1995 Mid-American Conference championship team will help in the instruction.

Fundamentals camp, for youths aged 8-13, will run from 9 a.m. - noon each day.

Specialty camps will be held for youths aged 14-18. They include teams for each day.

Players will have use of the 90-yard indoor turf field, four full-length batting cages, new pitching machines, portable mounds and more.

The cost for the fundamentals camp is $70. The specialty camp is $75. To register call the baseball office at 2-7065 by Dec. 20.
DATEBOOK

Monday, Dec. 11
Dissertation defense, "Religiosity, Experience With Death and Death Alienation: A Study of College Students" by Therese Hoffman, sociology, 1 p.m., 307 Williams Hall.
Film, The Oak, 8 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Romanian film with English subtitles. Free.

Tuesday, Dec. 12
Craft sale, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Education Building. Sponsored by EESLAB through Dec. 14.
Holiday card sale, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Union Foyer. Sponsored by the Student Art Therapy Association through Dec. 14.

Wednesday, Dec. 13
Dissertation defense, "Photoinduced Electron and Energy Transfer Processes in Colloidal Composite Suspensions" by Petr Sergueevski, photochemical sciences, 3:30 p.m., 123 Overman Hall.

Thursday, Dec. 14
UAO Film, Whatever Happened to Baby Jane? (1962), 9 p.m., Gish Film Theater, Hanna Hall. Free.
Soup to be served to buy gifts for kids
Homemade soup will be served from noon-1 p.m. Tuesday (Dec. 12) on the sixth floor of the Administration Building.
Those wishing to purchase a bowl of soup are asked to bring their own containers and spoons with them if possible, as the supply of donated bowls often runs low.
The annual holiday soup lunch is a combined effort of staff in the bursar and registrar offices and other areas in the building. Money raised from the sale of the soup will go towards the purchase of gifts for needy children through the Sentinel-Tribune Christmas Wish program.

OBITUARY
Patricia Welt
Patricia Welt, 64, of Bowling Green, died Dec. 4.
She worked at the University from 1969-86 as a part-time health and physical education instructor.
Memorials may be made to the Bridge Hospice.

Emerson C. Shuck
Shuck joined the University as a professor of English in 1943. He served as department chair from 1952-55, dean of the graduate school from 1949-55 and dean of the former College of Liberal Arts from 1956-63.
His later career included positions at Ohio Wesleyan University and Eastern Washington University where he was president from 1967-76. He was a professor of English at Eastern Washington until his retirement in 1981.

FACULTY/STAFF POSITIONS
Administrative staff positions:

Institutional research: Director. Contact personnel services (2-8426). Deadline: Jan. 15.

Faculty positions:
Technology/Aerotechnology: Director of aviation studies, chief flight instructor and associate or assistant professor of technology/aerotechnology (one position). Contact College of Technology (2-2439). Revised deadline: Jan. 8.
Library: Director, Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology (tenurable, full-time). Contact Beverly Steans, Jerome Library dean's office (2-2856). Revised deadline: Jan. 15.
Interpersonal communication: Anticipated position for assistant professor (tenure-track). Contact interpersonal communication department (2-2823). Deadline: Jan. 15 or until filled.

Sociology: Assistant professor specializing in criminology/deviance (tenure-track, full-time). Contact search committee (2-2294). Deadline: Jan. 15.

Library: Four positions — science librarian, reference librarian (two positions) and library user education coordinator. Contact Dr. Dennis East, chair, screening committee, 204 Jerome Library (2-2866). Deadline: Jan. 15.

EDCI: Assistant professor (probationary, full-time). Contact Dr. Leigh Champlin, chair (2-7582). Deadline: Feb. 1 or until filled.

EDSE: Assistant professor in special education/hearing impairments (tenure-track, full-time). Contact Dr. Rich Wilson, chair, Department of Special Education (2-7503). Deadline: Feb. 1 or until filled.

School of HPER: Assistant professor of travel and tourism (tenure-track, full-time). Contact Recreation and Tourism Division Search Committee (2-6913). Deadline: Feb. 1 or until filled.

Sociology: Professor and chair (tenure-track, full-time). Contact search committee (2-2294). Deadline: Feb. 1.

Family and Consumer Sciences: Two positions — assistant professor in food service management, assistant professor in nutrition and dietetics (both full-time, probationary track). Contact Department of Family and Consumer Sciences (2-7823). Deadline: Feb. 15 or until filled.

EDFI: Assistant professor of education (tenure-track, full-time). Contact Dr. Robert Yonker, EDFI (2-7322). Deadline: Feb. 15 or until filled.

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT
Posting expiration date for employees to apply: Noon, Friday, Dec. 15
12-15-1 Clerical specialist pay grade 5 Student Health Service academic year, part-time
12-15-2 Clerical specialist pay grade 5 Student Health Service academic year, part-time
12-15-3 Clerical specialist pay grade 5 Student Housing and Residence Programs academic year, part-time

FOR SALE
The purchasing department has for sale a seven-year-old Fujitsu DEX 2500 thermal fax machine for $275. The original vendor will install at no charge. Those interested in purchasing this item for department use should contact George Kraus at 2-8417.