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Classified Staff Council sets goals for new academic year

Classified Staff Council saved more than \$1,200 by distributing copies of meeting minutes via e-mail last year.

Because of the cost savings and the ease as well as speed of communicating with staff in this method, the group has made increasing access to technology by classified staff a goal for 1996-97.

Only 400 of the more than 1,000 classified staff have asked to receive minutes on e-mail. The others receive hard copies of the minutes mailed to their departments or areas.

Faith Olson, CSC vice-chair, thinks the number of classified staff online can be increased with training. She is working on a survey that will be sent to all classified staff asking if they have access to e-mail and whether they would use it more frequently if that access was improved.

"We will first see what kind of access staff have to computers and then we will be looking at what it would cost to make computers available," she said.

One option that CSC will discuss is using inexpensive, older computers that will at least have the memory to access the BGNNet gopher service.

Last year, all members of CSC attended a training session on using e-mail, during which those without e-mail service were signed up on BGNNet. Olson said that almost all of the new members of CSC for the incoming year have e-mail.

In addition to improving access to technology, the following other goals were set by CSC for the coming year during a recent meeting held at Firelands College:

- strengthen the commitment to the building community project by supporting and being actively involved with five high leverage recommendations as determined at the July 8 meeting of the Legions. These recommendations, singled out from those contained in the final report of the Building Community Task Force are: clarify institutional mission, align reward structures with institutional

goals, provide mandatory training on participatory management/leadership, establish a one-stop shopping student customer service project team and appoint an academic advising task force.

- enhance the Scholarship Fund by \$2,000 through the continued sale of coverlets and other activities through the academic year.

- review, prioritize and implement Building Community task force recommendations which specifically mention classified staff involvement.

It was announced that the University will hold one convocation for all faculty and staff on opening day, Aug. 26. A separate Classified Staff Awards Ceremony will be held from noon-1 p.m. Aug. 15 in Memorial Hall.

During the program, CSC chair Pat Kitchen will address the staff and the winner of the Outstanding Classified Staff Award will be announced.

Cookies and beverages will be provided.

New faculty member named chair of sociology department

Although the newest chair and faculty member in the Department of Sociology comes to Bowling Green from a recent position in Nevada, he should have no problems adjusting to this area's winters.

Gary Lee, who joined the University staff on July 1, has spent most of his life in Minnesota. He holds a bachelor's degree from St. Cloud State College and master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Minnesota.

Lee replaces Meredith Pugh who returned to full-time teaching after serving as chair for 11 years.

A specialist in the area of family and aging research, Lee recently held the post as director of the Sanford Center for Aging at the University of Nevada, Reno. He was also an adjunct professor in the departments of sociology and human development and family studies.

Previously, Lee taught in the sociology departments of the University of Florida, Washington State University and St. Cloud State College.

The reputation of faculty in the Bowling Green

sociology department and the strong doctoral program, particularly in the area of demography research, is what led Lee to come to Bowling Green.

Demography, the statistical study of human populations, is very important in conducting research into the behavior of certain populations, Lee said. "The fact that an enormous amount of the population is in a certain age group [known as the Baby Boomers] has radically changed the nature of the United States economy," he added.

For example, he has recently conducted research into what triggering events cause dependent children and their aging parents to live in the same house. He has found that in some cases, young people return home because they are unable to secure a large paycheck due to a glut of labor in the workplace. As the Baby Boomers begin to retire, their effect will be felt on services available to the aging.

Lee is looking forward to further building on

the department's reputation in demography as well as criminology/deviance and family/social psychology. He hopes to accomplish these goals with the hiring of additional faculty to replace some recent retirees.

Currently there are 17 faculty members teaching sociology courses full-time. Six recently retired faculty are teaching courses part-time under the supplemental retirement program.

In the midst of planning for the future of the sociology department, Lee and his wife, Naomi, have been moving into a house in the area. In addition, Naomi Lee began work July 11 as coordinator of program services for the College of Technology.



Gary Lee



Artists at work

Lou Krueger, director of the School of Art, critiques the photographs of Toledo area teens during a week-long seminar held on campus last week. The youngsters, who are participants in the Young Artists At Work program sponsored by the Arts Commission of Greater Toledo, learned photography skills during the day and participated in campus activities and sampled dorm life during the evening. To help bring the young artists to campus, the University Foundation provided a \$2,700 grant.

The Young Artists At Work program, based in Toledo, offers paid artistic experience to students, aged 14-19, from central city schools. From July 8-Aug. 16 students are taught how to create art projects which are then sold at a gallery to generate revenue for the program.

Calendar

Monday, Aug. 5

Monday Musicians and Frosty Freebies. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., behind the University Union. Sponsored by Student Activities Summer Programs.

Tuesday, Aug. 6

Lecture, "Observations from the Pacific Rim on Education in North America and the United Kingdom" by Sadato Yamazaki of Joetsu University of Education, Japan, 6:30-7:15 p.m., 220 Technology Building.

Wednesday, Aug. 7

Film, *The Breakfast Club*, 8 p.m., 111 Olscamp Hall. Free.

Saturday, Aug. 10

Commencement, 9:30 a.m., in front of University Hall. Leon Bibb, the newest member of the University's Board of Trustees and a Cleveland newscaster, will be the graduation speaker. In case of rain the ceremony will move to Anderson Arena.

Distinguished alumnus honored

An educator from Charlotte, N.C., will be the 37th recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Richard H. Hagemeyer, a 1939 graduate of Bowling Green, will receive the highest honor bestowed by the University's Alumni Association during commencement exercises Aug. 10.

The founding president of Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, Hagemeyer was named president emeritus upon his retirement in 1986. That year he also was recognized as one of the 18 most effective college and university presidents in the United States in a study funded by the Exxon Education Foundation.

During his tenure at CPCC, the college was identified in 1985 as being one of the five best community colleges in the nation for teaching excellence.

Hagemeyer has served as president of a number of professional organizations, including the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges and the League for Innovation in the Community College.



Richard Hagemeyer

Distinguished University professor researches female sleeping patterns

Pietro Badia wants his research subjects to "sleep on the job."

Badia, Distinguished University Professor of Psychology, has been conducting sleep-related research for the past 25 years and in that time has received almost \$2 million in grants.

Most recently he received a \$372,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Defense to study the relationship between menstrual and sleep patterns in women. His studies will conclude next year.

As part of Badia's research, each Thursday night three volunteers report to the Psychophysiological and Sleep Laboratory at the Psychology Building to sleep. On Friday morning they are awakened and kept up through Sunday morning. During that time they perform a variety of computer tasks that measure their reaction times, memory and mathematics abilities and how they are affected by being kept awake through what should be routine sleep cycles.

"Historically, most of the work done in sleep and biological rhythms research deals with men," Badia said. "As a result, there is a serious lack of information on how the menstrual cycle and the sleep cycle affect alertness and performance in women."

Badia said Bowling Green is one of only a few universities where sleep research involving

women is being conducted and added that the U.S. Department of Defense is interested in this kind of research because military personnel are required to travel across time zones and remain alert.

Badia, who joined the Bowling Green faculty in 1963, is also researching the possible benefits of melatonin, a naturally produced hormone that induces sleep, as a medicine to help night workers sleep during the day. Melatonin, also sold as a food supplement, is produced by the body only at night.

"There are certain times when a person is alert, like during the late morning and early evening, and times when a person isn't, like mid-afternoon and 1-6 a.m.," he said. His research focuses on providing ways to get people to sleep when they otherwise couldn't and to be alert when they otherwise wouldn't. "Most single-vehicle accidents occur in the early morning hours when people otherwise would be sleeping," he said.

Badia has applied for funds to study the effects of melatonin on the elderly. Natural melatonin levels decrease with age. He believes taking the substance as a medicine may help older people sleep better.

New Music & Art Festival to feature Pulitzer-prize winning composer

The 17th Annual New Music & Art Festival has been scheduled for Oct. 3-5.

Events will take place on the University campus as well as at the Toledo Museum of Art. Directed by Marilyn Shrupe, a professor of performance studies, the festival is hosted by the College of Musical Arts and School of Art.

In honor of his 75th birthday, Pulitzer prize-winning composer and conductor Karel Husa will serve as special guest. Sharon Isbin, considered one of the leading guitarists of her generation, will also be in residence and present the inaugural concert of the 1996-97 Festival Series season.

Throughout the three-day festival, Husa will be involved in panel discussions and host a composition seminar. Performances of his music will be featured in several concerts, including "Concerto for Percussion and Wind Ensemble" by the Fall Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Bruce Moss, at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3 in Kobacker Hall of the Moore Musical Arts Center.

The festival will close with Emily Freeman Brown conducting the Bowling Green Philharmonia in a performance of Husa's "Reflections: Symphony No. 2." The concert has been scheduled for 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 in Kobacker Hall.

Husa, who taught at Cornell University until his retirement in 1992, is internationally known for his compositions and conducting.

Isbin will present a concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4 in Kobacker Hall. She will be joined by College of Musical Arts faculty and guests in a performance of contemporary solo and chamber music. She will also conduct a guitar seminar at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3 in the Moore Musical Arts Center. Isbin's Bowling Green appearance is sponsored in part by GTE.

Isbin has been acclaimed for her extraordinary lyricism, technique and versatility. First-prize winner of the Toronto Competition, the first guitarist ever to win the Munich Competition and a winner of the Queen Sofia Competition in Madrid, she has presented sold-out performances throughout the world.

Guest composers from the United States and Sweden, as well as College of Musical Arts faculty members Burton Beerman and Wallace DePue will also attend festival performances of their works. Additional activities include art exhibitions, panel discussions, lectures and readings of scholarly papers on contemporary music.

From Oct. 4-Nov. 8, the Dorothy Uber Bryan Gallery will host "This is a Set-Up: Fab Photo/Fictions," an exhibit featuring the art of nine photographers who use fabricated imagery and constructed subjects to create their work.

Sandy Skoglund, an acclaimed photographer/artist whose work will be included in the exhibit, will present a lecture at 6:30 p.m., Oct. 4.

Photographs by Lou Krueger, new director of the School of Art, will also be on display during the festival.

Tickets for Isbin's performance may be purchased by calling the Moore Musical Arts Center box office at 2-8171. The box office is open Monday through Friday, noon to 6 p.m. Ticket prices are \$21 and \$13. Seating is limited to the main floor. All other festival events are free and open to the public. For a complete schedule, contact the MidAmerican Center for Contemporary Music at 2-2685.

Employment

Please contact the Office of Human Resources (2-8421) for information regarding the following listings:

CLASSIFIED STAFF

Custodial worker (8-9-1) — Physical plant, Pay grade 2. Posting expiration date for employees to apply: 10:30 a.m., Friday, Aug. 9.

Food service worker (8-9-2) — University Union. Pay grade 1. Academic-year, full-time position. Posting expiration date for employees to apply: 10:30 a.m., Friday, Aug. 9.

Police officer 1 (8-9-3) — Firelands College. Pay grade 8. Academic-year, part-time position. Posting expiration date for employees to apply: 10:30 a.m., Friday, Aug. 9.

Student services counselor (8-9-4) — Student Financial Aid. Pay grade 7. Part-time position. Posting expiration date for employees to apply: 10:30 a.m., Friday, Aug. 9.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Assistant athletic director for internal affairs (V-066) — intercollegiate athletics. Deadline: Aug. 7.

Assistant director (V-072) — Career services. Deadline: Sept. 9.

Director of recreational sports (M-057) — Division of Student Affairs. Deadline: Sept. 1.

Systems programmer (V-070) — University computer services. Deadline: Aug. 16.

Second BGSU officer works at Olympics

Bowling Green is now represented twice at the Olympic games in Atlanta.

Detective Chuck Lewis, who is also a member of the 180th Police Squadron of the National Guard, was called to duty July 25. He will serve at the Olympic park through Aug. 7.

Lewis joins John Shumaker, a University police officer who volunteered to serve on the security force at the Olympics.

Although Shumaker had been at Centennial Park, the site of the July 28 bombing, he left before the explosion.