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Proposed University Center will benefit north coast Ohio

Firelands College is planning a major new construction project designed to meet the growing educational and training needs of the north coast Ohio community.

The proposed Firelands University Center would be the first significant addition to the Huron campus in 25 years. The estimated $4.8 million project is expected to be funded with both public and private funds and private money.

From 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Feb. 11 in McBrude Auditorium, the college will join with area chambers of commerce to host a public forum to discuss building plans. The public is invited to share opinions and ideas for the project.

Hosted by George Mayer, college development associate, the forum will feature a presentation by Dean Darby Williams, area community and student leaders and other members of the University administration who will give remarks. Invited presenters include Don Mierz, executive vice president and general manager of Cedar Point. After the presentations, audience members will have an opportunity to pose questions, ideas and areas of concern.

As proposed, the center will provide state-of-the-art instructional classrooms, conference and meeting facilities and fully integrated multimedia and distance learning capabilities. Plans also call for a central mall to connect the James H. McBrude Arboretum to the center of campus.

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The center will be designed to serve three purposes:

- Instruction: the main facility for BGSU upper-division and graduate course offerings, including state-of-the-art classrooms; (Proposals are underway to house expanded tourism-related programs at the center, taking advantage of the college’s central location in one of the nation’s most popular summer tourist destinations. This could include culinary arts, hospitality management and travel and tourism programs, said Darby Williams, dean of Firelands College.

- Technology: the center is for use of information technologies in distance education, allowing for expanded integrated multimedia and interactive video conferencing. (Stronger tele-teaching classrooms and conferencing facilities.)

- Conferences/training: the campus hub for community outreach activities, including conference and meeting facilities for area businesses/organizations and customized workforce training.

The conference center and expanded conferencing facilities enable the college to deliver additional courses, programs and services in the north coast region.

At BGSU, ninth and 10th-grade PSEOP applicants must:

- Submit a hand-written essay explaining why they want to participate
- Submit a recommendation from a teacher or guidance counselor explaining why and how the student would benefit from taking college-level classes; and
- Have at least a 3.5 grade point average. (The older students must meet the grade point average requirement only.)

Younger high-schoolers may enroll in college classes

They may be looking younger every year, but next fall, some students taking classes at BGSU may in fact be as young as 13.

Since 1991, gifted 11th and 12th graders have been earning both college and high-school credit simultaneously through the Post-secondary Enrollment Options Program (PSEOP). A recent change in state law (through Am. S.B. H.B. 215) now expands PSEOP to ninth- and 10th-graders.

All public institutions of higher education in Ohio must participate, although they are allowed to set their own standards for admission. Dione Morgan, director of academic enhancement.

"The criteria will be much more individualized for the younger students," said Morgan, noting that the decision to admit would be evaluated by the admissions office, academic enhancement and faculty. Also, all participants are considered guest students, she explained. They are not formally admitted to the University, but to the program.

The potential for more and younger students attending college presents new challenges and concerns for Ohio’s public post-secondary institutions, Morgan said. These issues were discussed during a Jan. 30 conference hosted by academic enhancement. The conference attracted 124 participants, including junior and senior high school guidance counselors and gifted program coordinators from northwest Ohio, as well as University personnel and state education representatives.

Concerns range from how the younger students will fare socially to whether the subject matter of certain classes will be appropriate for young teens. Other concerns involve inconsistencies in how the program is implemented in different institutions and the inflation of middle-school grades which, in some cases, will be used to evaluate admission.

Some stipulations do apply for all PSEOP students, Morgan noted: they can take classes on a space-available basis, they have no priority scheduling and they cannot live on campus.

The approximately 100 students now enrolled in the program tend to take the general education 100- or 200-level courses, said Morgan and most do very well.

"They’re good students," said Morgan, and “faculty interaction has been very positive—they like having these students in their class.”

However, the reaction to having high school freshmen and sophomores enroll has been mixed. Some faculty have said, “I don’t want those students in my classes.”

Some students use the program to replace the last two years of high school with college coursework, said Morgan. She could not predict how many additional students might enroll as a result of the program’s expansion, but “I tend to think it’s not going to be a lot,” she said.

The program will be monitored carefully, Morgan added. “We want what’s best for the students. We want them to have a good experience and interest them in enrolling in BGSU to complete their college education.”

State of the University

9 a.m. Refreshments 9:30 a.m. Address by President Sidney Ribeau Thursday Feb. 19 101 Olscamp Hall
Infrastructure meetings seek input

As the University begins the process of significantly upgrading its technology and telecommunication infrastructure, all members of the campus community have an opportunity to participate in discussions designed to identify areas of need.

To begin the dialogue, Charles Middleton, provost and vice president for academic affairs, has scheduled a series of meetings. All faculty, staff, and students are invited to attend an open forum from 9-10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 24 in 101 Olscamp Hall.

The forum will include a brief presentation by technology consultant, Philip Beideman, who will be assisting the University with the technology infrastructure project. Beideman, from the California-based Western Telecommunication Consulting Inc., will assist the University through the request-for-proposal process. He specializes in higher education consulting in the areas of technology and telecommunications.

Audience members will have an opportunity to ask questions and engage in dialogue regarding the University’s infrastructure needs.

Middleton and Beideman will also meet with campus constituent groups as follows:

- **Open Forum**
- **Campus Technology Infrastructure Project**

- **9-10:30 a.m.**
- **Tuesday, Feb. 24**
- **101 Olscamp Hall**
- **Staff and students are invited to attend.**

Research Award nominations sought

Nominations are now being sought for the 1998 Olscamp Research Award. This annual award, which carries a $1,500 prize, is presented to a faculty member to recognize outstanding scholarly or creative accomplishments during the previous three-year period.

For purposes of this award, accomplishments may be referred presentations of scholarly papers or publications (books, monographs, articles, etc.); musical compositions/arrangements or concerto/ritracte; or visual art/works presented at national or international meetings or exhibitions; significant patentable/licensable discoveries/creations.

Nominees will be screened by an advisory committee consisting of the associate vice president for research, who chairs the committee, and several outstanding faculty/scholars. The committee’s recommendations will be submitted to the vice president for academic affairs and University advancement, who select the award recipient. Nominations are due in the office of the vice provost for research (120 McFall Center) by March 13.

Learn to manage stress

Dealing more effectively and positively with stress might mean learning relaxation or time management techniques. The Psychological Services Center plans to offer four group programs on these and other stress management processes.

Specific topics, times and dates will be determined based on interest expressed. If interested in participating, call 2-7540 and leave your name, phone number and best time to be contacted. Center staff will get back to callers to provide more information and answer any questions.

Roomfix offers helpline service

The lecture is going fine, the discussion is lively and then ... the fluorescent light blinks annoyingly, or the room becomes uncomfortably warm or the overhead projector is nowhere to be found.

Who can you call?

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Diversity issues highlight roundtable

Leaders of four northwest Ohio colleges and universities recently joined to discuss issues and challenges of diversity. The presidential roundtable discussion, "Diversity as a Value in Higher Education," aired Feb. 2 on WBGU-TV. Here are a few comments from their dialogue:

Sidney Ribeau, BGSU: "You want diversity of all kinds: cultures, values, attitudes, experiences. We want differences that lead to intellectual variety and diversity."

* The BGSU multicultural population is not acceptable. While 12.3 percent of Americans are African-American, 4 percent of BGSU undergraduates are.

* Just as institutions work to attract and recruit a "small pool of blue chip athletes, you need to take more affirmative steps and be more aggressive" in recruiting outstanding students and faculty of color.

Frank Horton, University of Toledo:

* There is a danger that at that pool (of high-quality students of color) will become smaller. We are at a crossroads nationally (with recent reverse discrimination legal cases). I think it's going to play out in the courts, particularly with professional programs (law schools).

Frank McCullough, Medical College of Ohio:

* Medical schools are becoming less diverse. The number of applications to the Medical College of Ohio from African-Americans students declined 11 percent from last year.

* There are good reasons to provide diversity training for staff, faculty and students. Race, gender and socioeconomic background should have no bearing in caring for sick people.

Dan Brown, Owens Community College:

* For those with technical expertise, opportunities are great in business and industry, so recruiting faculty of color is a challenge.
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SPIRIT ON ICE

Ice-cold fun and winter spirit drew 300 participants to the Jan. 30 Spirit Day event in the Falcon's Nest in the Student Union. The event was co-sponsored by the Ice Arena, dining services and the Student Union. Like the skaters shown here, four winners of family passes to public skating will be able to try out their own ice antics: Frank Schemenauer, grounds; Bob Fyfe, computer services; Kelly Birr, economics and Luckie Anderson, management. In addition, Lori Schultze, chemistry; won a Falcon hockey hat and Marte Spore, admissions, won a Falcon hockey sweatshirt.

FACULTY

(Until otherwise noted, all faculty positions are for assistant professors, although candidates at other ranks who possess exceptional and unique background and skills will be considered.)


CLASSIFIED

Posting expiration date for employees to apply: noon, Friday, Feb. 13. Secretary 2 (2-13-1) - treasurer's office. Pay grade 7.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Associate director of residence life for housing and operations (V-005) - residence life. Deadline: March 2 or until filled. Assistant director of residence life for educational initiatives (V-006) - residence life. Deadline: March 2 or until filled. Assistant director of residence life for business affairs (V-007) - residence life. Deadline: March 2 or until filled. Residence hall director (V-009) - residence life. Deadline: March 2 or until filled. Director (V-009) - graduate studies in business. Deadline: March 2. Director of development (V-034) - WBGU-TV. Deadline: March 6. Assistant golf course director/head men's golf coach (M-073) - intercollegiate athletics. Deadline: Feb. 11.

Monday, February 9

"Growing Through Grief—Part 1," the first of four sessions geared to students dealing with the aftermath of a death and their support persons, with psychologists Craig Vicko and Claudia Clark, 6-7:30 p.m., Counseling Center, 320 Saddlemeire Student Services Building.

International Film Series, Gonza the Spaceman, a 1986 Japanese film, 8:15 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Free.

Tuesday, February 10

Performance Appraisal Process Training, 8 a.m.-noon, 1 College Park. Sponsor: human resources. Contact: Marcia Buckenmyer, 2-2598 or mbuckenmy@bgnet.bgsu.edu.

"Night at the Rep.," 7 p.m., Toledo Repertoire Theatre—10th Street Stage. Sponsors: Greater Toledo, Findlay and Northwest Ohio alumni chapters, BGSU Presidents Club. Information: Sally Oberski, (419) 536-2923.

Black History Month Jeopardy, 7-9 p.m., Town Room, Student Union. Sign up by contacting the Office of Multicultural Affairs at 2-2642 or University Activities Organization at 2-2343. Free.

Public forum, "Censorship and the Internet," 7 p.m., Central Lounge, Firelands College. Sponsor: Humanities Department and Student Activities. Free.

Wednesday, February 11

Focus group information session, "How Purchasing Functions," 10-11:30 a.m., TBA. Contact: Jan Ruflner, purchasing, 2-6419 or jruflnnr@bgnet.bgsu.edu.

Computer seminar, "Intro to Microsoft Word (IBM)," 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., 128 Hayes Hall. Sponsor: University Computer Services. Registration: 2-2911. Free.

Training programs, "Whites in Black History: A Choice of Legacies," examines the role of whites as participants in the historic struggles for equality and justice for African-Americans, 3-4:30 p.m., Faculty Lounge, Student Union. Sponsor: affirmative action.


Men's basketball hosts Akron, 7 p.m., Anderson Arena.

Thursday, February 12

Dance Marathon fundraiser, T-shirts, baked goods and other items will be sold to raise money for the Dance Marathon benefiting Children's Miracle Network. (The 32-hour marathon occurs March 29-30, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Education Building steps.

Student Composers Forum concert will feature works by BG SU graduate and undergraduate student composers, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

Roque: Black Anthology 1998, a performance project for the audience, 8 p.m., Eva Marie Saint Theatre. Tickets: $4 at the door.

Friday, February 13


Brown-bag lunch book discussion, a lively discussion on the works of African-American authors, 11:30 a.m., Faculty Lounge, Student Union. Free.

Economics Colloquium Series, "Do Seating Functions, a student-athlete of the month, 6:30 p.m., Stumpf Auditorium, Firelands College.

Saturday, February 14

Women's basketball hosts Kent, 1:30 p.m., Anderson Arena.

Women's gymnastics hosts Eastern Michigan, 4 p.m., Eppel Complex.

Hockey v. Miami, 7 p.m., Ice Arena.

Sunday, February 15

Bryan Chamber Series, 3 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Monday, February 16

President's Day, high school seniors and their parents will be visiting campus. Information: admissions, 2-2086. Computer seminar, "Intro to PowerPoint (Mac)," 3-5 p.m., 126 Hayes Hall. Sponsor: University Computer Services. Registration: 2-2911. Free.

International Film Series, Elfi Briest, a 1996 German film, 8:15 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Free.

Continuing Events

January 30-March 6 & March 17-April 24

Planetarium show, "Alphabet University: The Best of Space from A to Z," 8 p.m., Tuesdays & Fridays, 7:30 p.m. Sundays, 2 p.m. Saturdays, Feb. 21 & March 21. $1 donation.

February 9-13

Valentine's Day Carnation Sale, Carnations presold Monday through Thursday will be delivered on campus Friday. Flowers will also be sold cash-and-carry on Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., foyer, Student Union. Print sale, a portion of the proceeds will go to this year's Dance Marathon benefiting Children's Miracle Network, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., forum, Saddlemeire Student Services Building. Valentine's Day Candygram Sale for Mortarboard, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., foyer, Student Union. (Candy delivered Feb. 13).

Blood drive, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Amani Room, Commons (Feb. 9-10) and Lenhart Grand Ballroom, Student Union (Feb. 11-13).

February 11-14 (8 p.m.)

February 14-15 (2 p.m.)

Shorts Festival, a variety of plays, from comedy to drama, Elsewhere Theatre, 411 South Hall. Tickets: $3 at the door beginning one hour before show time. Seating limited. Information: 2-2719

Ongoing

Public skating, 8-10 p.m. Wednesdays, Saturdays, 10:30-5:30 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Sundays. Cost: $2 with student ID/$1 skate rental; not offered during varsity hockey team home games. Information/confirmation: 2-2264.

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Luncheon to honor student-athletes

The annual Student-Athlete Honors Luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. March 18 in the Lenhart Grand Ballroom of the Student Union. More than 80 student-athletes will be recognized for their academic achievements and awards will be given to individual student-athletes and teams. The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics invites all faculty and staff to attend this celebration of academic excellence. The luncheon costs $8 and may be paid the day of the event. Call 2-7066 for reservations or information.

Donate sweaters to celebrate Mr. Rogers

Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood will celebrate its 30th anniversary next month, and WBGU-TV is getting into the spirit with a sweater drive. If you have a new or gently worn sweater you'd like to donate to charity, drop-off bins will be available throughout February at the following locations: WBGU-TV Channel 27, 245 Troop St., Churchill's Super Markets, Henry Filters, Inc. First Federal, Key and Fifth Third banks, Green Manufacturing Inc. and Wood County Hospital.

Name change effective Feb. 20

The Office of Multicultural Affairs and Student Support Services has a new name: as of Feb. 20, the office will be known as the Center for Multicultural and Academic Initiatives, said Celeste Bland, director. She said the new name better reflects the mission and purpose of the programs and services offered.

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