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Campus readying for next January

Major problems not foreseen with arrival of 'Y2K'

If you're wondering if the computer at your desk will work when you turn it on next Jan. 3, the answer is something like this:

Probably, but time will tell.

Ann-Marie Lancaster, vice provost for technology and chief information officer, and Toby Singer, executive director of Information Technology Services (ITS), said they believe the University will be ready for the dreaded Year 2000 computer "bug."

Fear of the bug stems from the old programming practice of two digits representing a year, and thus, come January, computers reading "00" as 1900 and disrupting life as we know it.

With more than three years of work having gone into preventing such a disruption on campus, Lancaster and Singer don't see it happening, at least not to a great extent.

"My guess is that our problems will be minimal,"

Singer said. There will no doubt be something imbedded in the system that "we just didn't see," he said, but it should be minor and capable of being corrected quickly.

Both he and Lancaster conceded, however, that they'll be relieved when the time comes—then goes, hopefully uneventfully.

"I'll feel better this time next year," Singer acknowledged, saying he fears "a million phone calls" when faculty and staff return to campus Jan. 3, 2000.

"It will be nice when it's over," Lancaster agreed, citing the "great deal of anxiety" that dealing with the situation has caused.

But if there's some consolation, the whole world has been faced with it, helping make information readily available, Singer said. And the upgrades it has forced both to hardware and software, while costing "hundreds of thousands" of dollars, have been beneficial

beyond Y2K, Lancaster said.

"Many of the desktop systems that would have been problematic have been replaced. The remaining non-compliant systems will be upgraded or replaced this year," she said. In all, there are nearly 4,000 desktop systems on campus.

Meanwhile, conversion of all administrative software systems is expected to be complete by July, Singer said.

A hardware inventory exists, and everyone will receive instructions telling what, if anything, they will need to do, Lancaster added. The "big issue," she said, is testing in administrative offices, where a testing schedule will be developed.

The old mainframe computer didn't have sufficient capacity to handle testing along with everything else, so for this and other capacity

issues, the University cut to a new mainframe recently, Singer said. A "volume test" is probable on Thanksgiving weekend, he said, noting that "the whole world is testing it like this."

There have also been Year 2000 issues involving network equipment. In August, a new switch was installed to replace three non-compliant routers. The transfer of all University buildings to the new switch is in progress.

The Y2K issue has been on Singer's plate since he came to campus in 1995 from private business, where he was already "well into" dealing with it, Lancaster said.

He was "taken aback" that it wasn't on the agenda when he arrived here, he said, adding that if work hadn't begun then, "there would be no way we would

be ready."

Singer was asked by Richard Conrad, director of then-computer services, to form a committee, which has met monthly for the last three years to make the necessary plans. Its members have included Richard Peper, internal auditing, and representatives from ITS and IBM, which Singer said was among the first organizations to put out a planning guide on the subject.

"It's been a daunting task," said Lancaster, estimating that by the end of this year, more than \$1 million worth of staff time will have been allocated to the project. And that's time taken away from other things that have gone on the back burner as a result, she and Singer noted.

Presentations have been made to campus groups,

Singer said, and further meetings are planned with administrative staff to, among other things, advise care about how their files are backed up.

Lancaster said they also want to get more information to people on campus about their home computers.

"If somebody's got something they're concerned about, they've got to tell us," Singer said, explaining that doing so now may help cut back on problems—and phone calls—later.

Monitor schedule

Next week's *Monitor*, dated March 1, will be the last until March 15, after spring break.

Information for the March 15 issue must be submitted by 5 p.m. March 10.

President extends invitation to State of University speech

To the Campus Community:

Please join me for the State of the University Address on Tuesday, March 2:

9:30 a.m. Coffee and fellowship

10 a.m. State of the University Address

101 Olscamp Hall

This event is an opportunity for us to reflect on the progress we have made as we approach the new century and as we move forward with our goal of becoming Ohio's premier learning community. It will be an opportunity to pause in celebration of our many successes as we continue working together to realize the learning community ideal at Bowling Green State University. Please join me for this important discussion.

Through the wonders of technology, our colleagues at Firelands campus will be joining us through interactive video. The address will be broadcast live in residence halls and classrooms across campus, and closed-circuit television viewing is available in 113 Olscamp Hall. Moreover, the address will be videotaped and replayed on CCTV Channel 8 at the following times: March 2, 7 p.m.; March 3, noon and 6 p.m.; March 4, 9 a.m., noon and 8 p.m., and March 5, 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m.

I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, March 2, and encourage you to join in this gathering of the campus-wide community. If you need further information, please call my office at 2-0467.

Sincerely,
Sidney Ribeau, President

Presidents' Day produces record turnout



The fourth annual Presidents' Day program proved to be the most popular so far, with about 2,400 prospective students among the more than 6,500 visitors who came to campus. Hundreds of faculty and staff volunteers helped make the day a success. University Treasurer Gaylyn Finn (above left) talks to Michele Knapp and her mother Mary, of Doylestown, at the head of a line which stretched around the Perry Field House track. Helping Euclid High School student Holly Douglas with check-in (top right) is Lois Sonnenberg, continuing education, international & summer programs. In the Student Union (bottom right), Jim Zentmeyer, residence life, discusses housing with (left to right) Marilyn Stegeman, her daughter Karyn and Chrissie Harter. Karyn Stegeman and Harter are juniors at Seton High School in Cincinnati.

ISAC program catches eye of business

When Tim Breeding said he wanted to visit the University to recruit students for his information audit team at Southwest Airlines in Dallas, his boss had two questions: "Where is Bowling Green and why there?"

"I told him that when it comes to training information systems auditors, Bowling Green is a 'diamond in the rough,'" said Breeding, who also had never heard of BGSU until he began his effort to build an IS audit team at Southwest.

"I did all the usual things—headhunters, internal recruiters, ads in professional publications—but learned that information systems auditing is a tight field," he said. "There are very few people in the field and even fewer who are good at it."

Part of his strategy is to hire young people with IS audit skills who can "grow" into the profession. He began looking at colleges and universities across the country and became discouraged. "There are only a small number of schools training IS auditors," he said.

Then he learned about BGSU's year-old information systems auditing and control program.

"On paper it looked good and I wanted to see for myself," Breeding said. "I told my boss that if Bowling Green really had it together, we should develop some ties, because the students who will be graduating will have the exact skill sets we need."

Bowling Green was everything Breeding hoped it would be. He was particularly impressed with Alan Lord, Ernst & Young Professor of Accounting and chair of the accounting and MIS department, who, along with Mark Asman, accounting and MIS, emeritus, is the driving force behind Bowling Green's ISAC program.

"Alan Lord is one of the few academicians I know who understands the tremendous need for IS auditors, and he has the vision and enthusiasm to fill those needs," Breeding said.

Bowling Green's ISAC program is designed to meet a growing and important business need. ISAC blends accounting with management information systems and computer science to provide graduates with the knowledge and skills required to assess the control and audit requirements of complex computer-based information systems.

It's that blend that will make BGSU graduates in high demand in the job market, said John Beveridge, deputy state auditor for MIS and IT audit in Massachusetts. "There will be strong interest because of the high priority business is increasingly placing on developing and protecting data and information."

Beveridge, former international president of the Information Systems Audit and Control Association, was among the first to recognize the need for the IS audit community to articulate its needs to higher education.

Using his ISACA platform, Beveridge appointed a task force to work with higher education to develop a model curriculum. Lord was a member of that task force, which outlined the kinds of courses students could take that would make them both well prepared and highly marketable.

"Bowling Green is ahead of the pack in information systems audit and information technology governance education," Beveridge said. "Students going through the Bowling Green program are ready to be productive immediately and that is attractive to business."

An explosion of new

technologies has fueled the growing demand for auditing and control systems practitioners. "Most help to facilitate open-end computing, which is good because it makes more information available," Lord said. "At the same time, though, there is a great concern about security. If the good guys can get in, then the bad guys can get in. It's not only an auditing issue but a security and control one as well."

Southwest's Breeding agreed. "We have invested money in our system and we need to be sure we aren't making data available that should not be. That is why we are seeking people who can understand both ends (financial and technological)."

It's the technology component which makes the ISAC program different from the accounting and MIS specializations that students have taken in the past.

"We've had great cooperation from the computer science department in providing the courses our students require for the ISAC specialization," said Lord. "In fact, the cooperation from everyone—the administration, the college and the faculty—has been key to the ISAC program's creation."

Family Campaign: Q&A

Q: What is the Family Campaign?

A: The Family Campaign is for everyone who is directly or indirectly tied to Bowling Green State University. "Family" incorporates all staff from all of the colleges and University departments, from academic affairs, the president's office, financial affairs, student affairs and University advancement. It is the first internal campaign in over a decade. The campaign will run from March 22- April 30. Keep looking for announcements of upcoming kickoff events.

Q: How can I be a part of the Family Campaign?

A: There are about 35 faculty and staff members of Bowling Green's family who are serving as campaign liaisons for all the academic and administrative units on campus. Look for the liaison in your area and ask how you can volunteer, or contact Suzanne Sopa, development, at ssopa@bgsu.edu. You can identify campaign liaisons by the bright yellow sign outside their work area.

Q: If I give to the Family Campaign, where will my gift go?

A: The priority project is the "Family Room" of the soon-to-be-renovated and expanded Student Union. But your gift to the University can be given to any area that is of importance to you! There are more than 1,300 programs at BGSU to which donors can make gifts. No matter what cause or program you believe in, it is probably right here at the University. A complete booklet of all programs is available by contacting Sopa or any steering committee member.

Q: How much will I have to give to be a part of the campaign?

A: The goal of the Family Campaign is 100 percent participation! There is no specific dollar amount required for a gift. Anything that you can give back to the University (and its students) is an important contribution to the campaign.

Q: Why will my gift make a difference?

A: The Family Campaign allows all of Bowling Green's family to give to the area where they want to make an impact. The action of volunteering or providing a gift is ensuring the success and excellence of our University's future. Any investment in the University is an investment in its students, and can only make it stronger.

BGSU graduate student among six to receive national scholarship

Brenda Mayo, a second-year doctoral student in educational administration and supervision (EDAS), is among six graduate students selected nationwide to receive the Worth McClure Educational Administration Scholarship from the Ameri-

can Association of School Administrators.

Mayo, of Napoleon, received the \$2,000 award during the AASA National Conference on Education last weekend in New Orleans. The scholarship awards are designated for

graduate students who aspire to be school superintendents.

Mayo was nominated by faculty in EDAS, where she is pursuing a doctoral degree in leadership studies. According to Eugene Sanders, department chair, Mayo "has

extraordinary skills and will become an outstanding superintendent. She is highly motivated and strongly committed to the success of all students."

Mayo is a magna cum laude graduate of St. Paul's College in Lawrenceville, Va., and holds a master's degree in education from the University of Virginia.

She began her career in education as a high school social studies teacher for the Henrico County Public Schools in Richmond, Va., where she later became assistant principal of a middle school. She subsequently served as middle school principal for schools in Houston, Texas and Chesapeake, Va., and has more than 16 years of experience as a middle school administrator.

In addition to her doctoral studies, she teaches an undergraduate class in school organization at the University.

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view points.....

I was intrigued with the *Monitor's* recent article on the (Student) Recreation Center. I was there and remember well how much it was needed. Students were frustrated by the lack of facilities, and had to "make do" with two gymnasiums.

And then Dr. (Hollis) Moore, president of the University, announced that if 7,000 signatures could be procured, he would "back the project." That was all that was needed. Faculty and students came together to write petitions and procure signatures. Recreation majors walked the campus with paper and pens, gathering those needed names.

But it was "slow going" until someone thought of "hanging out" at the two gymnasiums and catching people as they came to shoot baskets. But even more successful was getting signatures of those who sat in the balconies, studying, or sleeping. I joined others who came to "get names." Many a sleeper was awakened long enough to hear our speedy message and "sign the paper." Frankly, we weren't sure how much they understood but they procured peace (and more sleep) when they signed!

It is always great to win success. We were successful in a project which is still around. Enjoy!

Agnes M. Hooley
Professor emerita, physical education and recreation
Gibsonia, Pa.

in brief

UNIV training sessions open to all

Training sessions for UNIV 100 instructors, set for Friday (Feb. 26) in the Student Union, have been opened to the campus community because of the topics' broader applicability.

The first session, from 1-2 p.m. in the Community Suite, will address the question, "Who Is the First Year Student?" Leading the discussion will be Michael Coomes, higher education and student affairs.

Three sessions will then be available in both the 2-3 p.m. and 3:20-4:20 p.m. time slots.

At 2 p.m., participants may choose either "Collaborative Teaching," with Marie Saddlemire, graduate assistant, First Year Experience Program, in the Faculty Lounge, or "Syllabus Development," with Fred Bonner, higher education and student affairs, in the Capital Room.

The choices at 3:20 p.m. are: "Diversity in the Classroom," with Lynne Holland, doctoral fellow, president's office, in the State Room; "Technology in the Classroom," with Lisa Gueldenzoph, doctoral student, higher education, in the Faculty Lounge, or "Successful Strategies in the Classroom," with former UNIV instructors, in the Capital Room.

To reserve a place in any of the sessions, call the First Year Experience Program office, 2-9646.

Professional development aid given

Administrative Staff Council's Professional Development Committee recently approved the first four recipients of funding in a new program offering professional development aid of up to \$500.

Administrative staff who received assistance totaling \$1,877 were:

- Susan Bolanis, continuing education, international and summer programs (Arts Unlimited), to attend the "Mid-Year Teaching Artist Workshop: Lincoln Center Institute's Ongoing Professional Development," Feb. 6 in New York City.

- Nancy VanderLugt, technology systems (aviation studies), to attend the "Women in Aviation" conference in Orlando, Fla., March 18-20.

- Naomi Lee, College of Technology, to attend the American College Personnel Association conference March 19-24 in Atlanta, where she will be presenting a paper.

- Lynne Fisher, residence life, also to attend the ACPA conference.

'Brunch of Champions' planned

The first "Brunch of Champions," for students of color who earned a fall-semester grade point average of 3.0 or better, will be Sunday (Feb. 28), from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the Student Union's Lenhart Grand Ballroom.

Anyone planning to attend is asked to RSVP by today (Feb. 23), either by email to Afwandi Shuman at afwandi@bgnet.bgsu.edu, or by calling the provost's office at 2-8323.

State funds to aid lab renovations

The University is getting more than \$27,000 in state funds to pay about 20 percent of the estimated cost of renovations to the life sciences microbiology laboratory.

Plans include conversion of a teaching lab to a research lab—including new office space—and design of a lab specifically for study of marine biology.

Student employment to close

The student employment office, 315 Saddlemire Student Services Building, will be closed March 2.

The office will be sponsoring its annual Summer Job and Internship Fair from noon-4 p.m. that day in the Student Union's Lenhart Grand Ballroom.

Library to dedicate Davison collection, mark pop culture library anniversary

No less than a Dixieland jazz band will be paying a musical salute to Defiance native and famed cornetist "Wild Bill" Davison March 19 at Jerome Library.

Tom Saunders of Grosse Pointe, Mich., and his jazz ensemble will provide musical entertainment reminiscent of Davison's popular style from 4-6 p.m. that Friday in the library lobby.

In addition to hearing some of the finest Dixieland music around, visitors will be able to see special displays in the main lobby and in the music library, which is located on the third floor.

The entertainment and displays are part of the activities planned to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the creation of the nationally known Popular Culture Library, and to officially dedicate the "Wild Bill" Davison Collection which is now part of the University's holdings, according to Linda Dobb, dean of Libraries and Learning Resources.

The Friends of the BGSU Libraries and Learning Resources is sponsoring the free public event.

An extensive collection of recordings and materials related to Davison's career were donated to the University by the cornetist's widow, Anne Davison of Hollywood, Calif.

"Wild Bill" Davison was born in 1906 and raised in Defiance. Not only did he have one of the longest careers in jazz history—it spanned some 70 years—but he also was considered one of jazz's most charismatic figures.

His 80th birthday was proclaimed "Wild Bill" Davison Day in Defiance. The same year, Japanese jazz lovers named him "A Living National Treasure." He made more than 800 recordings between 1924 and his death in 1989 at age 83.

The Davison collection contains some 400 records, 1,000 open-reel tapes and many cassettes, as well as

newspaper clippings, photographs and a large collection of concert programs. The collection is housed in both the music library and the Center for Archival Collections.

The Popular Culture Library was founded in 1969 to support teaching and research in cultural studies. It is the largest and most comprehensive research facility in the U.S. dedicated exclusively to the acquisition and preservation of primary research materials on 19th and 20th century American popular culture.

In addition to the more than 120,000 catalogued

popular books in the library, its major strengths are materials documenting the performing arts and the entertainment industry, including popular drama, radio, television, film and the mass communications industry.

The growth of the library has been fostered by many gifts from collectors, scholars and other private individuals, including Ray Bradbury and Steve Allen.

For more information about the dedication of the Davison collection and the Popular Culture Library anniversary celebration, call the dean's office at Jerome Library, 2-2856.

'Invest in Yourself' March 17

Administrative Staff Council (ASC) will offer the campus community an opportunity to "Invest in Yourself" with a free, half-day professional development program March 17.

Three concurrent sessions will be held from 9-10:15

a.m. and from 10:45 a.m.-noon in Olscamp Hall. A free brunch will follow the 9 a.m. sessions, which include "Dealing with an Irate Person in a University Setting"; "The Balancing Act," and "Examining the 'New Face' of the Business Writing Process." Bonnie Fink, English, will lead the business writing session.

The 10:45 a.m. sessions are "Managing a Crisis Situation in a University Setting: What to Do If Taken Hostage"; "Eye of the Tornado: Yoga in the Workplace," and "What in the #@** Are You Talking About?" Leading the latter session will be Gregg DeCrane and Amy O'Donnell, both student life.

Enrollment is limited. To register, or for more information, call the continuing education office (2-8181), which has worked on the program with ASC's Professional Development Committee.

Continuing ed classes offered

The Office of Continuing Education, International and Summer Programs is offering the following two classes this week:

- Friday-Saturday (Feb. 26-27): Adobe Photoshop for Digital Video Specialists, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. both days, 233 Technology Building, \$795 per session.

- Saturday (Feb. 27): Vegetarian Cooking Made Easy, 10 a.m.-noon, Commons Dining Center, \$30.

To register or for more information, call the continuing education office, 2-8181.

New faculty profiled in publication

Sixty-seven tenure-track faculty—all new to Bowling Green this academic year—are profiled in a new publication recently released by the provost's office.

The book is designed to introduce the new faculty to the campus community, said Mark Gromko, vice provost for academic affairs. "We

were unable to print enough of them to give to everyone on campus, but copies are available in all colleges, departments and academic offices," he added.

He said that given the large number of faculty expected to join the University in the next several years, the provost's office expects to

publish similar profiles each year.

The book was produced by the public relations office. The profiles, which include educational and teaching background, research interests and academic accomplishments, as well as photographs, were written by Gardner McLean.

Visiting violist

Nokuthula Ngwenyama demonstrates her technique on the viola as graduate student Kim Buschek looks on during a Feb. 12 master class led by the classical violist in Bryan Recital Hall. Ngwenyama also performed the Louise F. Rees Memorial Concert of the 1998-99 Festival Series and presented programs in Bowling Green public schools during a three-day residency at the University.

'Susannah'



Traci Cotterman and Jason Budd rehearse a scene from Carlisle Floyd's "Susannah," which the Bowling Green Opera Theatre will present at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday in Kobacker Hall. Tickets are \$8, \$10 and \$12, and available from noon-6 p.m. weekdays at the box office or by calling 2-8171. Student tickets are \$5 at the door.

job postings.....

Contact human resources at 372-8421 for information regarding the following:

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Deadline for employees to apply is noon Friday (Feb. 26).

Word Processing Specialist 3 (C-42-S)—College of Business Administration. Pay grade 7.

ADMINISTRATIVE Assistant Director of Recreational Sports for Special Events, Marketing and Student Employment (M-004)—Recreational Sports. Administrative grade level 14. Deadline: March 2.

Manager (V-052)—Dining Services. Search reopened; administrative grade level 12. Review of applications will begin March 5 and continue until the position is filled.

Multimedia Production Manager (M-011)—Instructional Media Services. Administrative grade level 15. Deadline: March 8.

Academic Adviser for Nursing and Health and Human Services (S-013)—College of Health and Human Services. Administrative grade level 14. Deadline: March 12.

Associate Director of Program Advisement (M-014)—College of Health and Human Services. Administrative grade level 15. Deadline: March 12.

Coordinator, Leadership Development/Community

Service (V-010)—Student Life. Administrative grade level 14. Deadline: March 12.

Area Coordinator (V-008 & 9)—Residence Life. Administrative grade level 14. Review of applications will begin March 12 and continue until the two positions are filled.

Area Coordinator (Greek Affairs) (V-007)—Residence Life. Administrative grade level 13. Review of applications will begin March 12 and continue until the position is filled.

Residence Hall Director 2 (V-006)—Residence Life. Administrative grade level 13. Review of applications will begin March 12 and continue until the position is filled.

Major Gift Officer (V-081)—Development. Search reopened; administrative grade level 16. Review of applications will begin March 12 and continue until the position is filled.

Managing Editor (M-069)—Social Philosophy and Policy Center. Administrative grade level 12. Deadline: March 15 (search extended).

In filling these positions, the University seeks to identify enthusiastic team players committed to serving the institution's faculty, staff and students in a manner consistent with the vision and core values of Bowling Green State University.

Union to host Irish dance Saturday

"To Dance Irish," a day of activities devoted to traditional folk dance, is planned Saturday (Feb. 27) in the Student Union's Community Suite.

Free activities will include a workshop for teachers, the premiere of a new video about Irish dance, a dance workshop and a concert featuring traditional Irish music and dance.

A workshop will be offered from 9:30 a.m.-noon to introduce primary and secondary school teachers to Irish dance traditions and

offer suggestions for incorporating these materials into social studies, writing, music and movement curricula.

Workshop leaders include Lucy Long, popular culture, a folklorist and ethnomusicologist; Deborah Tell, human movement, sport and leisure studies, and coordinator of the University's dance program, and Lynne Hamer, a folklorist and education faculty member at the University of Toledo.

A highlight of the day will be the premiere of a docu-

mentary video on a local Irish dancing school, which will be followed by a lecture by Mick Moloney, a Philadelphia folklorist and musician who has written extensively on Irish-American traditions.

Kitty Heinzman, who has taught ceili dance classes in Detroit for almost 30 years, and Frank Hall, an anthropologist who has studied and written about traditional Irish music and dance, will give a dance workshop from 4-6 p.m.

Capping the day will be a traditional Irish music and

dance concert at 8 p.m. featuring Moloney, fiddler Marie Reilly of New York City and pupils of Heinzman School of Irish Dance.

Advance registration is not required but notification of planned attendance is requested. Those planning to attend should contact Long at either 2-2981 or lucyl@bgnet.bgsu.edu.

The day of activities is being sponsored by the University, WBGU-TV and the Ohio Humanities Council with support from the Toledo Irish-American Club.

campus calendar.....

Tuesday, Feb. 23

Mayfield Distinguished Lecturer, Jan Tullis of Brown University, will present "Grain-scale Deformation Microstructures: What Can We Learn About Deformation Conditions and Rheology?" 9-11:30 a.m., 273 Overman Hall. The free lecture is sponsored by the geology department.

Psychology Colloquium Series, 4-5 p.m., 322 Conklin Hall. Frederic Vallee-Tourangeau of the University of Hertfordshire, England, will address "The influence of the outcome base rate on causality judgments."

"Pandora's Box," a 1931 German film, will be shown at 4 p.m. in Gish Film Theater. Free.

Presidential Lecture Series, 7:30 p.m., 101 Olscamp Hall. Edward Reiter, senior chairman of Sky Financial Group, will discuss leadership. Free.

Wednesday, Feb. 24

CTLT Workshop, "Using Templates to Create Class Web Pages in Claris Home Page," 9-10:30 a.m., 128 Hayes Hall. Please RSVP at 2-6898.

Sexual Harassment Workshop, 10:30 a.m.-noon, 1 College Park Office Building. For more information, call affirmative action, 2-8472.

Brown Bag Luncheon, noon, Women's Center, 107 Hanna Hall. JaNell Koskie, graduate student in the College of Musical Arts, will present "The Gendering of the Orchestra," discussing her research focus on how parents, teachers, peers and media can influence girls to swim against the mainstream in music and life.

Provost's Lecture Series, 3:30 p.m., Alumni Room, Student Union. Pheng Cheah of Northwestern University will address "Diaspora, Chinese Cosmopolitanism, and Postcolonial National Memory." The free lecture is presented by the Institute for the Study of Culture and Society.

Women Graduate Students Support Group, 5-6:30 p.m., Women's Center, 107 Hanna Hall.

Duo Pianists, sisters Kathleen and Jane Solose, musical arts, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

Public Skating, 8:30-10 p.m., Ice Arena. Students, \$2; others ages 13-older, \$3.

Thursday, Feb. 25

CTLT Workshop, "Using Performance-Based Assessment in Your Course," 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Alumni Room, Student Union. Please RSVP at 2-6898.

Faculty Scholar Series, 12:30 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Presenters will include Elaine Colprit, Richard Kennell and Joyce Eastlund Gromko, all musical arts. Free.

Black History Month lecture, "Michael Jordan and Oprah Winfrey as Popular Culture," by Angela Nelson, popular culture, 2:30-3:45 p.m., Pallister Conference Room, Jerome Library. Free.

International Film Series, 8:15 p.m., Gish Film Theater, "Commissar," a 1967 Russian film. Free.

Friday, Feb. 26

Public Skating, 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Ice Arena. "Cheap Skate" admission is \$2.

Men's and Women's Indoor Track and Field host Mid-American Conference Championships, noon, Perry Field House.

Lecture, by Tom Palmer, director of the Project on Civil Society at the CATO Institute, on "Cosmopolitanism and Distributive Justice," 3 p.m., 301 Shatzel Hall. The free lecture is sponsored by the Social Philosophy & Policy Center.

Public Skating, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Ice Arena. Students, \$2; others ages 13-older, \$3.

Bowling Green Opera Theatre presents "Susannah," 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Tickets are \$12, \$10 and \$8 for adults and \$5 for students at the door. To order tickets, call 2-8171.

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Bowling Green Opera Theatre presents "Susannah," 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Tickets are \$12, \$10 and \$8 for adults and \$5 for students at the door. To order tickets, call 2-8171.

Sunday, Feb. 28

Undergraduate Student Art and Design Exhibitions, opening reception, 2-4 p.m., Dorothy Uber Bryan and Willard Wankelman galleries, Fine Arts Center. Free. The exhibitions will continue through March 30 except during spring break, March 6-14. Hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sundays.

Concert, by Lance Ashmore, baritone, and Pamela Ashmore, piano, 6 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

Public Skating, 7:15-9 p.m., Ice Arena. Students, \$2; others ages 13-older, \$3.

Continuing Events

Through March 5

BGSU Planetarium, "Is This The End of the World?" Tuesdays and Fridays, 8 p.m.; Sundays, 7:30 p.m. \$1 donation.