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University areas to be restructured

Dobb named executive V.P.

To create greater cross-divisional integration of seven related units, President Sidney A. Ribeau has announced an administrative restructuring that includes the creation of the position of executive vice president and the appointment



Linda Dobb

of Linda Dobb to serve in that capacity effective May 1.

Information Technology Services; Libraries and Learning Resources; Continuing Education, International & Summer Programs; WBGU-TV; Northwest Ohio Educational Television Foundation; Affirmative Action, and Human Resources will report to the executive vice president. Dobb will report to the president.

All of the units are involved

in the dissemination of information and the development of technological and human resources. Creation of the executive vice president position, Ribeau said, will provide these units with maximum support for the greatest effectiveness, growth and advancement.

"As dean of Libraries and Learning Resources for five years and as interim provost since last June, Dr. Dobb has a proven track record for accomplishing goals, achieving positive outcomes and seeing issues through a University-wide lens," Ribeau said. "I am confident that this organizational change will strategically position us to effectively address the educational needs of our learning community, our region, the state of Ohio and the nation."

"I'm very excited that President Ribeau is giving me this opportunity," Dobb said. "I'm hopeful that we will realize his vision for synergy and growth of this institution. It is really an exciting time to be at BGSU."

Student housing application process to go online

Registering for fall campus housing will become considerably easier when the online housing application process is in operation. Returning students will be able to choose a room and a meal plan on the Web from their own computers, using point-and-click technology.

The new system will be previewed by University staff next week at a demonstration in Hayes Hall. The "Housing DB2 Subsystem" goes "live" Feb. 16, according to University Web Project Manager Deb Weiser. The change is part of the University's ongoing move toward more Web applications.

Students wishing to keep their rooms will be the first to use the system. Next will come weeks for seniors, juniors and sophomores and for special-interest groups. After that, the system will be open to anyone who has not yet signed up for housing or who wants to change room assignments.

"What this means is that students will have more control over their housing selection. Provided they make all payments on time, they should get the rooms they request online," said Ute Lowery, assistant director for administration in residence life.

About 80 percent of returning on-campus students is expected to be served by the system. Students with handicaps or who need other special consideration will continue to process their applications through the housing office, Weiser said.

At the end of each period, housing staff may make some reassignments, Weiser said, to allow for changes necessary to conserve space or for other reasons. For that reason, the Web site contains a disclaimer warning students they are not guaranteed to get the room they have chosen.

The new method of registering for housing is expected to be both faster and more considerate

From the president...

I want to thank the entire Bowling Green State University community for all of your hard work and commitment on behalf of the 1999 United Way Campaign. Each of you again demonstrated the spirit of volunteerism by honoring human dignity and the importance of committing ourselves to social action.

I am delighted to report that BGSU raised more than \$82,000 in this year's United Way campaign, an increase over last year's campaign total of \$79,000.

This year our campaign focused on addressing the concerns of our young people. With this in mind, all donations with no specific donor designation went to support the 21 "Nurturing Children and Youth Programs" throughout northwest Ohio. Clearly, the most important investment we can make in the lives of our children and young adults is to show our concern and commitment to helping them lead fulfilling lives.

As we continue to work toward our goal of becoming the premier learning community in Ohio, I am ever mindful that higher education must give back to the society that sustains it. Our institutional support of the United Way is a testament to living by that philosophy. I thank you for your generosity and for making a difference in the lives of others.

Sincerely,
Sidney A. Ribeau
President

Firelands College celebrates diversity

Bowling Green State University trustee Leon Bibb will lead off Diversity Week at Firelands College Feb. 14 with a reading of Langston Hughes's poetry.

Bibb, a news anchor with WEWS-TV in Cleveland, is a BGSU alumnus with a degree in journalism. He began his career at WBGU-TV and has gone on to receive many recognitions, including local television Emmy awards and Cleveland's Distinguished Journalist Award in

1991. He was named a University trustee by Gov. George Voinovich in 1996.

His reading will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the North Building, Central Lounge.

Also during the week, the campus will enjoy speakers, performers, workshops, events and foods from around the globe.

For a complete listing of events, see the calendar.

of upperclassmen. Previously, students received and returned postcards stating their preferences, which made for a "first-come, first-serve" procedure.

Students will log on to the University Intranet using a password and, with the system's "real-time databasing," browse the list of rooms available at that moment. They may specify a room, floor or hall and a roommate if desired and then choose a meal plan. Another screen allows them to compare rates for graduate and undergraduate, main campus and Firelands housing and dining plans.

Students will be informed immediately of their room and meal assignments after entering their requests. They will also be notified right away if there is a problem so they can amend and resubmit their request. The

system will store lifestyle preference information about applicants, such as whether they tend to be neat, are early risers, prefer quiet, to help residence life match roommates.

Weiser has been responsible for designing the "user interface," the portion of the system that students use, making it clear and easy to understand. Sue Tomor, systems analyst in Information Technology Services, has handled the other end, writing programs that access the system's data.

They have worked closely with residence life staff members Jim Zentmeyer, associate director for housing and operations, and Harriet Sockrider, administrative assistant, to gather information and convert the components of the old system into the new, computerized method.

campus calendar.....

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Monday, Feb. 7

Partnerships for Community Action reception, 3-5 p.m., McFall Gallery.

Tuesday, Feb. 8

Black History Month event, "Are Men Really Scrubs and Women Pigeons?" A program about African American male and female relationships, 7:30 p.m., McDonald West Dining Room. Sponsored by National Pan-Hellenic Council.

Women in Faith Communities, Wiccan/Pagan Traditions, noon-1 p.m., 107 Hanna Hall.

Wednesday, Feb. 9

Faculty Artist Series: Faculty Composers' Forum including pieces by Marilyn Shrude, Jeffrey Mumford, Mikel Kuehn and Adam Zygmunt, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Brown Bag Luncheon, "Amazon NOT Com: Women's Bookstores and the Struggle to Build Community," noon-1 p.m., 107 Hanna Hall.

Thursday, Feb. 10

Dissertation defense, "College Students' Use of Computer Technology and Its Relationship to Constructivist Learning," by Lisa E. Gueldenzoph, higher education administration program, School of Leadership and Policy Studies, 10 a.m., 113 Education Building.

Teleconference, "Planning for Student Services: Best Practices for the 21st Century," 12:30-2 p.m., 113 Olscamp Hall.

Dissertation defense, "An Investigation of the Attitudes of Ohio Urban Public School Superintendents Regarding Educational Accountability as Perceived by Board of Education Members," by Deborah Kofa Nimely Washington, educational administration and supervision, 1:30-3:30 p.m., 444 Education Building.

International Film Series: "Como era gostoso meu frances (How Tasty Was My Little Frenchman)," 1971 Brazilian film by director Nelson Pereira dos Santos, 8:15 p.m., Gish Film Theater.

Recital, guest violinist Jeffrey Irvine, 8:30 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Saturday, Feb. 12

Black History Month event, Black Issues Conference, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., 101 Olscamp Hall. Opening address by President Sidney Ribeau. BGSU faculty/staff/students admitted free. Sponsored by the Center for Multicultural and Academic Initiatives.

Sunday, Feb. 13

Bryan Chamber Series,

featuring oboist John Bentley, harpsichordist Vincent Corrigan; clarinetists Kevin Schempf and Edward Marks, violist Nancy Buck, pianists Robert Satterlee and Cynthia Benson, flutist Judith Bentley, and soprano Myra Merritt; 3 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Monday, Feb. 14

Black History Month event, comedian Vince Morris, 7:30 p.m., 101 Olscamp Hall. Sponsored by the University Activities Organization.

Firelands: Diversity Week/Black History Month events: BGSU Trustee Leon Bibb presents "The Poetry of Langston Hughes," 11:30 a.m., Central Lounge, North Building.

"A Tale of 'O,'" a parable on coping with situations faced by new or different people, presented by Marshall Rose and Barbara Waddell from the Office of Affirmative Action, 12:30-1:30 p.m., 115 West Building.

Ken Waldman, Alaska's fiddling poet and storyteller, 1:30 p.m., Central Lounge, North Building.

"Tuskegee Airmen Inc.," presented by former airman Eugene Guyton, 3-4 p.m., Central Lounge, North Building.

Sandusky High School Gospel Choir, 6:30 p.m., Central Lounge, North Building.

Continuing events

Feb. 7-11

Red Cross Blood Drive, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Wednesday (Feb. 7-9), 101 Olscamp Hall, and Thursday-Friday (Feb. 10-11) Saddlemire Student Services Forum.

Feb. 9-13

University Theatre Production, "Accidental Death of an Anarchist," by Dario Fo. Shows are at 8 p.m. Feb. 9-12 and at 2 p.m. Feb. 13, Joe E. Brown Theatre. Tickets are \$4. To reserve, call 2-2719.

in memory

Judy Kessler, 49, died Jan. 21 in Bowling Green. A former employee of the Office of Registration and Records, she worked at the University from 1971-98.

Beryl Parrish, 87, died Jan. 26 in her Bowling Green home. An associate professor emerita of English, she taught at the University from 1946-76.

Joseph Buford, 79, died Jan. 30 in Hawaii. A professor emeritus of geography, he taught at Bowling Green from 1948-87.

Memorials may be made to the College of Musical Arts or the Department of Geography through the BGSU Foundation Inc.

Thomas Davenport, 77, died Jan. 27 in Wood County Hospital. An associate professor emeritus of art, he taught at the University from 1969-85.

BGSU is an AA/EEO educator and employer.

job postings.....

FACULTY

College of Technology. Dean, tenured. Call Carol Engler, 2-2915. Deadline: Feb. 23.

Firelands/Applied Sciences. Assistant professor, tenure track. Call William Balzer, 2-0623. Deadline: March 8.

Chemistry Department. Assistant professor, tenure track. Call 2-2031. Deadline: March 15.

Communication Studies. Director/Full professor, tenured. Call Melissa Spirek, 2-8641. Deadline: March 29.

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

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Deadline for employees to apply is 1 p.m., Feb. 11.

Records Management Officer (C-25-Va)—Pay grade 7.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Residence Hall Director (M-014)—Office of Residence Life. Administrative grade level 13. Review of applications will continue until position is filled.

Director (M-121)—Center for Multicultural and Academic Initiatives. Administrative grade level 18. Deadline: Feb. 7.

Assistant Director (M-122)—Center for Multicultural and Academic Initiatives and Pre-College Enrichment Program. Administrative grade level 14. Deadline: Feb. 7.

Micrographics Specialist (M-124)—Center for Archival Collections. Administrative grade level 14. Deadline: Feb. 7.

Academic Adviser (M-007)—College of Arts and Sciences. Administrative grade level 14. Deadline: Feb. 11.

Director (M-110)—Sponsored Programs and Research. Graduate College. (Change in qualifications) Review of applications will begin Feb. 11 and continue until position is filled. Manager of Employee Relations (M-103)—Office of Human Resources. Administrative grade level 16. Deadline: Feb. 18.

Head Women's Soccer Coach (M-008)—Intercollegiate Athletics. Deadline: Feb. 18.

Grants Specialist (V-098)—(Re-advertised) Division of Intervention Services. Administrative grade level 12. Review of applications will begin Feb. 18 and continue until position is filled.

Coordinator of Greek Affairs (M-003)—Office of Residence Life. Administrative grade level 13. Deadline: Feb. 21.

Instructional Designer/Coordinator for Computer Technologies (M-005)—Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology. Administrative grade level 14. Deadline: Feb. 28.

Assistant Director (M-010)—Career Services. Administrative grade level 15. Deadline: March 3.

Director of Major Gifts (M-097)—Development (re-advertised). Administrative grade level 18. Review of applications will begin March 3 and continue until position is filled.

Technical Support Coordinator (M-011)—Department of Telecommunications. Administrative grade level 14. Deadline: March 7.

Assistant director (M-012)—Social Philosophy and Policy Center. Administrative grade level 15. Deadline: March 15.

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