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Grant helps Nigerian co-op program

A recently-awarded \$11,000 grant to the College of Technology will assist in running a new teacher training program for Nigerian technical students attending the University. The grant was received by the college's John Sinn and Barry Piersol, who are the project's co-directors.

The program is part of the college's successful cooperative education program which finds work-study situations in industry for technology students, according to Piersol.

The grant will allow the college to improve its rate of Nigerian placements, which sometimes can be difficult because of language and cultural barriers.

"Bowling Green is one of many institutions in the United States that attracts Nigerian students," he said. "They come to the college because of our technology program and the industrial education degree we offer."

The Nigerian students are expected to get the training and background necessary to return to their country and teach new students.

"We place international students in area industries so they can transfer the

technology to their countries," said Dr. Sinn, assistant dean.

"The number of Nigerian students has increased and the staff has not," said Piersol, explaining the need for the grant, which was awarded by the Agency for International Development in Washington, D.C.

He said a part-time person will be hired to assist the Nigerian students with the planning of their courses and arranging their co-op program.

"This is our first award for this program," he said. "Obviously, we want to demonstrate a need and would like to get additional funds in the future."

"We expect the program to be extremely successful because of the past success of the co-op program."

Over 1,200 employers nationwide participate in Bowling Green's cooperative education program.

Piersol said that the Nigerian government supports the program because it is an opportunity for its students to view American industry and to bring techniques back to their homeland. One student was placed recently with the

City of Akron where he will be the project assistant for the installation of a sewer system.

"He was very thankful to have the opportunity to see how a major city in Ohio operates," said Piersol. "He will be the city's representative to the contractor. It's a very responsible position. He's really excited about it."

The cooperative program involves full-time work experience lasting 10 or 16 weeks during a semester. Students must work 400 or 640 hours to qualify for three or five hours of academic credit. Students get on-the-job training by doing job duties directly related to their field of study. Those fields include aerotechnology, construction management, design, electronic, industrial training, manufacturing and visual communication technology.

Eighty percent of the students are placed in Ohio industries. From summer 1985 through spring 1986, 469 technology students were placed with industries through the cooperative education program.

Roberts selected as Firelands' top teacher

Firelands College's first Distinguished Teacher Award was presented recently to Keith Roberts, natural and social sciences.



Criteria for the award include having a scholarly knowledge of subject matter, preparing and organizing courses carefully, generating enthusiasm for the field of study, stimulating the intellect of students, communicating well, and being sensitive and responsive to students, both inside and outside the classroom.

Dr. Roberts was selected by a committee that included faculty, students, administration and a member of the college's board of advisors.

There are four elements that are important to good teaching, according to Dr. Roberts.

"One must know his or her subject matter thoroughly," he said. "Nothing will turn students off more quickly than an instructor who is unsure of the theories or who makes errors and presents outdated material."

But Dr. Roberts said that while knowledge of the discipline is necessary, it is not sufficient to ensure quality instruction. "The second characteristic is presentation of the material in a carefully organized manner with genuine

enthusiasm. Students can sense it when you love what you are doing and are fascinated with the discipline."

Third, he said he is constantly critiquing his own teaching to be sure that he appeals to a variety of learning styles. "Students have a variety of ways of assimilating and storing information," he said.

"Effective teaching challenges us to do two things. First, we need to appeal to those students who learn in ways other than just through lectures by varying our teaching strategies. But we also need to help students adapt their learning styles so that even if passive auditory learning is not primary for a student, he or she strengthens that mode of learning."

Finally, Dr. Roberts stresses the importance of internal consistency in organizing a course. "It is easy to let the textbook set the agenda for the course, but that may be a mistake in many instances," he said. "I believe that it is important to determine what thinking skills are to be developed in a particular course."

He emphasized that each course may have certain content goals, but it is important also to look at the inner structures of thinking and how those thinking processes will be stimulated in the course.

"Once those abstract goals are established, the next task is to design teaching strategies and evaluation procedures which are consistent with those goals," he said.

Dr. Roberts, who came to the Firelands campus in 1976, has contributed to the quality of University instruction outside the classroom. As chair of the Firelands faculty, he established a teaching committee, which sponsors workshops on college teaching. He is also a member of the American Sociological Association's section on undergraduate education. He is also on the teaching committee of the North Central Sociological Association. He is the author of a textbook *Religion in Sociological Perspective*.



The First: Bowling Green has been awarded northwest Ohio's first Eminent Scholars Award, a matching \$500,000 grant to the chemistry department to support the Center for Photochemical Sciences. Recently, William Napier, vice chancellor for external affairs for the Ohio Board of Regents, State Rep. Randall Gardner and State Sen. Paul Gillmor (r-l) visited the campus to present the award to President Paul J. Olscamp.

3,000 new students expected at pre-registration

The 1986 Fall Pre-Registration program will bring approximately 3,000 new fall semester students as well as 4,500 parents to campus from July 7-Aug. 1.

The 16 one-and-a-half-day sessions will provide students with advising, course registration and placement testing in music, reading, writing, mathematics and foreign languages.

Parents and guests will have the opportunity to participate in discussions with faculty, staff and current University students, take campus tours, and view and discuss media presentations.

Although activities will occur throughout campus, many events will be centered on McDonald West, Offenhauer Towers and the University Union.

All interested faculty, staff and students are welcome to a dress rehearsal of the

Second session opens

The second summer session of the University intramural program is open to all faculty, staff, students and their spouses. To be offered are softball, tennis, outdoor volleyball, innertube water polo, golf and bowling.

Entry forms may be picked up in the Intramural Office, 108 Student Recreation Center. Summer office hours are 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 9-11:30 a.m. on Fridays. The office is closed Wednesdays.

Laserwriter use offered

As of July 1, Computer Services will have an Apple Laserwriter Plus connected to a Macintosh Plus available for use by faculty, staff and graduate students.

The computer and printer will be located in the faculty-staff-graduate student workroom, 102 Hayes Hall.

It may be used to print documents created by MacWrite, MacPaint, MacDraw and Microsoft Word. The use of the printer will be on a reservation basis, with a maximum use of three hours per day.

The charges for use of the printer are 7 cents per page for normal typing paper and 10 cents per page for Swan Linen paper. Computer Services will supply the paper.

All of the charges will be billed through the Bursar's Office. All charges to a department must be authorized in advance.

For Sale

The Office of Academic Enhancement has for sale to University departments and offices a one year old Panasonic 1520 copier with a 15-bin sorter. The \$1,700 price is negotiable. Call Carol Hicks at 372-2677.

Faculty/Staff Positions

The following faculty positions are available:

Art: Associate professor, graphic design. Contact Ronald Jacomini (2-7763). Deadline (extended): July 8.

Firelands: Instructor/assistant professor of political science. Contact office of the dean (433-5560). Deadline: Aug. 1.

Health, Physical Education and Recreation: Visiting assistant professor. Contact Deborah Tell (2-6918). Deadline: July 18.

Interpersonal and Public Communication: Visiting assistant professor/instructor. Contact Raymond K. Tucker (2-7168). Deadline: July 24.

Philosophy: Assistant/associate professor. Contact Jeffrey Paul (2-7219). Deadline: Nov. 22.

The following administrative staff positions are available:

Admissions: Admissions officer (part-time, nine-month position). Contact Daniel Shelley (2-2086). Deadline: July 15.

Alumni Affairs: Assistant director Contact Susan Caldwell (2-2558). Deadline: July 8.

Athletics: Assistant men's and women's swimming coach. Contact Richard Draper (2-2060). Deadline: July 17.

Athletics: Assistant track coach. Contact chair of search committee (2-2401). Deadline: July 24.

Music Library: Popular music cataloging assistant. Contact Susan Caldwell (2-2558). Deadline: July 9.

Placement Services: Assistant director. Contact Susan Caldwell (2-2558). Deadline: July 10.

Student Affairs: Director of off-campus student center. Contact Susan Caldwell (2-2558). Deadline: July 3.

University Union: Director. Contact Susan Caldwell (2-2558). Deadline: July 11.

Pre-Registration Variety Show on Sunday, July 6, at 8:30 p.m. in the Towers Inn.

Any questions about the program should be directed to David Weinandy, student activities and orientation, 405 Student Services (372-2843).

Two programs added

Two discount programs to recreational sites have been added to the 16 previously announced programs that are available to employees as a result of the University's membership in the Toledo Industrial and Recreational Employee Services (T.I.R.E.S.) organization.

Canada's Wonderland in Toronto and Wisconsin Dells in Wisconsin Dells, Wis., now provide discounts to Bowling Green employees.

For a complete list and to obtain discount cards and coupons contact the Personnel Office in Shatzel Hall.

Employees are also welcome to stop in the Personnel Office to browse through media offering various discounts distributed by area companies.

For additional information, contact Personnel Support Services (372-8421).

First Leventhal award given

Kathleen Ryan, a doctoral student in clinical psychology, is the first recipient of the Donald Becker Leventhal Award which is based on outstanding ability in both psychological research and clinical practice.

The \$500 award honors the memory of Dr. Leventhal, a faculty member of the psychology department from 1966 until his death in August 1984. He directed the clinical training program in the department's doctoral program for 17 years.

The Leventhal Award is funded by contributions from students, friends, colleagues and family of the late psychologist. Dr. Leventhal's widow, Zella, presented the award to Ryan.

Holiday changes hours

Friday, July 4, is Independence Day, a holiday for all University employees. Classes are not scheduled to meet and only those University activities deemed absolutely essential by area supervisors will operate on that day.

Due to the four-and-a-half-day summer schedule and July 4 falling on a Friday, there will be a variation in employee work hours this week, June 30-July 4 only.

In order to conform to a required 40-hour work week, employees will work the regular 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. schedule Monday through Thursday that week. This schedule will allow 32 hours of work plus eight hours of holiday pay.

Datebook

Monday, June 30

Classified Staff Council meeting, 9 a.m., 216 Mileti Alumni Center.

"A Woman In Flames," University Activities Organization, University Film Studies Program and Department of German and Russian sponsored film, with English subtitles, June 30 and July 1, 8 p.m., Gish Film Theater, Hanna Hall. Free.

Monday Musicians, University Activities Organization sponsored event, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Union Oval. Rain site: Falcon's Nest. Free.

Shopping Trip, University Activities Organization sponsored event to Franklin Park Mall, depart 4 p.m. from University Oval, return about 9:30 p.m. Cost is \$2.

Tuesday, July 1

"Godspell," presentation by Bowling Green Summer Musical Theater, July 1-3, 8 p.m., and July 4, 7 p.m., Bowling Green Junior High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 and \$7 for adults and \$3 and \$5 for students and senior citizens.

"Stripes," University Activities Organization sponsored film, 8:30 p.m. Eva Marie Saint Theater (Main Auditorium), University Hall. Cost is 50 cents.

Wednesday, July 2

Sweet Wednesday, University Activities Organization sponsored event, free popsicles, noon, Union Oval.

Biking Seminar, University Activities Organization sponsored event, noon-1 p.m., Bell Tower courtyard.

"Paris, Texas," University Activities Organization, University Film Studies Program and Department of German and Russian sponsored film, with English subtitles, July 2 and 3, 8 p.m., Gish Film Theater, Hanna Hall. Free.

Sunday, July 6

Dress Rehearsal, of Pre-Registration Variety Show, 8:30 p.m., Towers Inn.

Monday, July 7

Monday Musicians, a University Activities Organization sponsored event, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Union Oval. Rain site: Falcon's Nest. Free.

"Sugarbaby," University Activities Organization, University Film Studies Program and Department of German and Russian sponsored film, with English subtitles, July 7 and 8, 8 p.m., Gish Film Theater, Hanna Hall. Free.

1986 Fall Pre-Registration, July 7-Aug. 1.

Exhibit

Through July 3

"International Prints Today," 50 prints by international artists selected from a competition for touring show by William S. Lieberman, director of 20th century art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art; Fine Arts Gallery, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Free.

Classified Employment Opportunities

The following classified positions are available.

* Indicates that an internal candidate from the department is bidding and being considered for the position.

NEW VACANCIES

Posting Expiration Date for Employees to Apply: 4:30 p.m., Thursday, July 3, 1986

7-3-1 * Clerical Specialist
Pay Range 25
Residential Services

7-3-2 Library Media Technical
Assistant 2
Pay Range 26
Music Library
Permanent, part-time