Barber receives Fulbright to go to Yugoslavia

If it weren’t for a trip to Tibet, Dr. Lester Barber, English, probably wouldn’t be planning to teach in Yugoslavia for a year.

Barber has been awarded a Fulbright Senior Lectureship and will teach American literature and drama this academic year at the University of Ljubljana in Ljubljana, Yugoslavia. He also expects to do some research on 20th century Yugoslav theater and drama. His wife, Susan Barber, HIPER, will be traveling with him.

In 1986, the Barbets taught a year in the University’s exchange program with the Xan Foreign Languages University in China. While there they took a trip to Tibet and met a young Yugoslavian couple.

“They told us wonderful things about Yugoslavia and in the course of our travels we became good friends,” Barber said. “The man was studying to become a doctor and the woman was a translator. Partly because of

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Mason awarded national honor for dissertation

Dr. Philip Mason, executive assistant to the president, has been awarded the Edgar L. Morphet Dissertation Award. He is one of two persons in the country to receive the honor this year.

The award is presented annually during the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration conference, which will be held at the University of Alabama in August. It recognizes scholarship in the dissertation stage of advanced academic work in the field of educational administration. Doctoral graduates are nominated by sponsoring NCPEA professors.

Dr. Martha Tack, educational administration and supervision, nominated Mason’s dissertation entitled “Desired Leadership Behaviors of University Presidents.” The paper focused on the perceptions of trustees affiliated with public research/doctoral-granting institutions across the country regarding desired presidential leadership behaviors.

Mason, who received his doctoral degree from the University in December 1988, earned his undergraduate degree at West Virginia University and his master’s degree at Western Washington University.

Before coming to Bowling Green in 1984, he was the director of development at Western Washington.

Active in the community, Mason currently serves on the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce and chairs the University Friends of the Libraries and Center for Archival Collections Board.

He also served as a member of the Bowling Green American Red Cross board of directors and Economic Development Committee as well as the Toledo United Way Subsidiary Corporation Review Task Force.

Also winning the award this year is Dr. Gloria Jean Thomas of Brigham Young University.

Campus has new vending service

If the vending food tastes different and the machines look unfamiliar, don’t think you’ve put your coins in the wrong slots. The University is being serviced by a new vending company with all new machines expected to be in place by the end of July, according to Jane Schimpf, director of Food Operations.

Automatic Vendors Inc., headquartered in Warren, will be servicing the University from its Toledo branch. It replaces Maumee Valley Vending Company which had the campus contract the past 25 years.

Schipmf said the vending change was simply a matter of a better business offer from Automatic. The new company has more hot and cold food offerings, and students and staff will have a wider variety of selections available to them.

During the next few weeks, 167 vending machines will be taken out of office and academic buildings and residence halls and new ones will be installed. However, Schimpf said none of the 14 cigarette machines on campus will be replaced. "We won’t be selling cigarettes anywhere on campus, including in the Union," she said.

An added feature of the new vending system is that all machines will have dollar bill changers. Schimpf also said an agreement has been made with the new company not to raise the prices from their current level within the first year. The vending services will be under the supervision of Food Operations.
Survey polls classified staff opinions

As the voice of classified staff at the University, the Classified Staff Council is responsible for representing the views of approximately 1,200 employees.

With that in mind, the Personnel Welfare Committee of CSC recently conducted a survey on a variety of topics ranging from salaries and pay structure to the nonsmoking policy. Judy Hagemann, Personnel Welfare chair, said the committee will use the survey results to determine which issues CSC should address.

Some of the survey results are as follows:
- On the issue of the current pay structure, 281 employees said they were not satisfied with it, while 92 said they were satisfied and 54 said they were undecided. Most employees, 299, favored an annual increase; 138 did not and 35 were undecided.
- The survey asked staff members if they would favor the adoption of a system of endless steps for all classified employees during their entire career at the University with any additional salary points above four percent being distributed among all staff. Three hundred and thirtysix said yes, 100 said no and 57 were undecided.
- If money was extremely tight for the salary pool, 261 would accept approving less than the four percent step if all other groups on campus had to share in accepting smaller increases.
- A Classification proposal was 143 employees, while 63 were undecided.
- Asked to choose the companies or agencies to which they would turn in the market survey done each fall, 240 employees favored using state-supported universities within Ohio, 138 said a mixture of state universities and private companies within 50 miles of Bowling Green, 52 said private companies within 50 miles of Bowling Green and 154 said other.
- The majority of employees, 267, said they believe their wages (not including benefits) are far based upon their view of the job market, 61 disagreed and 17 were undecided.
- On the topic of an annual early retirement program, 364 employees said they would like to be offered such a program, 68 did not and 44 were undecided. Most employees, 363, said the early retirement program did not have a major effect on their pay, but 78 said it did and 99 were undecided.
- Also, 170 employees said the administration’s offer of a three-year buyout and 100 percent replacement was fair, 76 said it was not and 118 were undecided.
- On a variety of other subjects employees said:
  - 258 would utilize fee waiver benefits for themselves after 15 years but none; 168 would not and 50 were undecided;
  - 402 would take advantage of using University facilities such as the bookstore, golf course and Student Recreation Center if additional discounts were made available, 58 would not and 14 were undecided; 400 would be in favor of an official policy that would allow more flexibility in schedules while not interfering with work areas, 46 would not and 25 were undecided.
- Question, 256 employees said they favored a nonsmoking policy for work areas with a location inside for smoking; 195 favored no smoking at all inside and 32 said other.

Workshop to start

A workshop designed to help classified employees conduct effective selection interviews will be held from 9 a.m.-noon July 26 in 104 Business Administration Building.

Do you use the selection interview to hire new employees? If so, are you aware that asking the wrong questions may lead you to hire the wrong person or result in a discrimination lawsuit? The workshop will help you avoid these problems by teaching you how to prepare for and conduct an effective interview.

Topics covered will include a discussion of University, state and federal guidelines for employee selection as well as techniques for helping to select competent, motivated and diverse new employees. The workshop, sponsored by personnel support services, will be taught by Sam Ramirez, employee selection adviser, and Dr. William Balzer, psychology, and director of the Institute for Organizational Research and Development.

Persons interested in the course should register by calling Ruth Millman, training coordinator, at 372-2236. Participants should bring to the workshop a current job description of a position within their organization. If one is not available, please contact Lois in personnel support services.

New employees hired

The following individuals recently joined the classified staff:
- Wayne Freshour, custodial services; Linda Canady, secretary 2, Faculty Senate; Pat Cowel, custodial services; and Joyce Armagan, part-time, word processing specialist, 1, chemistry.
- Also, Peg Grancz, clerk 2, admissions; Jonathon Samuels, bowling lane technician, University Union; Janine Fillmore, sales clerk 2, Bookstore; and Janet Szwartczlender, secretary 1, IPCO.

Service to be closed

UnGraphics, the University’s graphic arts service located in West Hall, will be closed Wednesday (July 5).

Submit your waivers

Faculty and staff are reminded to complete and submit employee and dependent fee waivers for fall classes to the bursar’s office.

Faculty/staff positions

The following faculty positions are available:
- Applied Sciences, Finlandia College: Instructor/assistant professor of computer science/mathematics internship. Contact John Heldt, 792-2556, deadline: June 27.
- Legal Studies: Visiting assistant professor. Contact the Personnel Committee (2-2376) or phone: July 8. Management: Assistant professor. Contact Peter A. Pinto (2-2546). Deadline: July 10.

The following administrative positions are available:
- Assistant basketball coach. Contact chair of search and screening committee (2-2401). Deadline: June 26. Also, assistant athletic trainer. Contact Bill Jones (2-2401). Deadline: July 15.
- Residential Services: Assistant director of small group housing and Greek Life. Deadline: July 15. Also, residence hall manager. Also, residence hall complex coordinator. Also, residence hall director. Deadline: Aug. 1. Faculty Positions: Contact Mildred B. Pauley (2-2458). Deadline: July 24.
- University Placement Services: Assistant director of placement. Contact Ammane Hucht (2-2558). Deadline: July 24, or until filled.


Datebook

Monday, July 3
Film Studies Program, Recent Trends in the New Cinema of Austria and West Germany, the film “Dragon Knife” will be shown at 8 p.m. in Fain Theater. Also shown same time and place July 4.

Tuesday, July 4
Independence Day Holiday. No classes.

Wednesday, July 5
Film Studies Program, Recent Trends in the New Cinema of Austria and West Germany. The film “Gilded Cafe” will be shown, 8 p.m. in Film Theater. Also shown same time and place July 6.


Thursday, July 6
Compsar Seminar, “Intro to Multilact (IMM),” 1:30-4:30 p.m., 312 Hayes Hall. To register, call 372-0123.

Faculty and Staff Night, at Quad Rock Cafe, featuring entertainment with Tom Gorman, 6-10 p.m., Fowler’s Quarters.


Friday, July 7
Ph.D. Final Exam, Oya Aremvis, mass communication, on “The Relationship Between Mass Media Exposure and National Integration in Nigeria.” 9:30 a.m. - 3:10 Wain Hall.

Sunday, July 9
New Works Writer’s Series 6, featuring Eddie Aronksen on poams, including works by Phil O’Connor and John S. Scott, P. 7:30 p.m., Bijou Theater, 209 N. Superior St., Toledo. A benefit for Talented Teens International

Barber from the front their sophistication, and based on what they told us about the country, we decided we would like to go there. Also, our experience in China gave us a taste for travel.”

Previously neither of the Barbers knew much about Yugoslavia but they have been reading about it as much as they can. Barber said the country is broken into six provinces which have very different terrains. Slovenia, the province where the university is located, is near the borders of Austria and Italy. Geographically and culturally it is very similar to Austria, he said.

The people in that area speak Slovene, while the native language of the rest of Yugoslavia is Serbo-Croatian with a multitude of dialects. The Barbers have been listening to tapes to help familiarize themselves with the language and also hope the little bit of German they know will be useful.

Although they experienced the communist form of government when living in China, Barber said it will be interesting to compare it with Yugoslavia’s.

“This is going to be a vastly different system because Yugoslavia is more open and far ahead of China,” he said. “Although the system is still in existence, Yugoslavia has always been a kind of maverick and more outward-looking to the West. Hungary and Poland are beginning show signs of that same openness.”

However, Barber said he expects the year abroad in Yugoslavia will be a more difficult experience than it was in China. Due to Bowling Green’s annual exchange program with Xi’an, the Chinese university has constructed a compound of apartments near the campus for all the American teachers. They also take great care to accommodate the Americans’ needs and concerns. The Barbers will be responsible for finding their own housing and learning their way around the city.

Barber will be teaching three classes a term.