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# MONITOR

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## Alliance creates opportunities for health students

Thirty BGSU pre-nursing students attended an open house recently at Wood County Hospital, where they were treated to a tour and a question-and-answer session with 12 nurse managers.

Their visit was part of a newly expanded relationship between BGSU's College of Health and Human Services and the hospital that resulted last spring in the formation of the College of Health and Human Services-Wood County Hospital (CHHS/WCH) Advisory Committee.

Jeanne Wright, public and allied health, who accompanied the students, said the visit was extremely successful, based on evaluations by the participants. The nurse managers spoke about various aspects of nursing and opportunities in the profession.

"Seeing their enthusiasm about their fields made me excited about continuing with my nursing degree," one student wrote. Bowling Green partners with the Medical College of Ohio for its nursing degree, with the first two years spent at BGSU taking prerequisites followed by the two-year MCO clinical program.

"The University has had a longstanding relationship with the hospital," CHHS Dean Linda Petrosino said, "but the CHHS/WCH Advisory Committee's purpose is to look at how we can explore mutually beneficial ideas for collaboration."

The College of Health and Human Services has programs in pre-nursing, speech-language pathology, physical therapy, medical technology, social work, gerontology, applied health science, rehabilitation counseling, public health, criminal justice and environmental health. Students may do their clinical rotations at Wood County Hospital and then, when they graduate, possibly be hired by the hospital. Particularly with the shortage of nurses nationwide, this provides a valuable workforce source for the hospital, Petrosino said.

In addition, the hospital is designing volunteer opportunities for Bowling Green health-profession students that will eventually lead to paid positions, Wright said.

The alliance also provides continuing education opportunities for BGSU faculty and health



On a Nov. 21 visit to Wood County Hospital, members of the BGSU Pre-Nursing Student Organization learn about infant care and safety programs from OB-GYN nurses.

professionals who need to maintain their certifications in their respective health fields. It will enable the two institutions to share resources as well, Petrosino said, for more efficient delivery of programs.

The community also stands to benefit, Petrosino said, as the two institutions can create better ways to disseminate information

and conduct programs in public health.

"It's a really rich relationship, and we're working very well together. The energy that comes out when the two groups get together is tremendous. I see great potential for the community as well as the college and the hospital from this collaboration," she concluded.

### Student employees to pilot electronic time reporting

It's a familiar procedure in campus offices—student employees fill out paper time sheets, which are signed by the supervisor and then forwarded to the Payroll Office, being dealt with by various people along the way.

Fast forward to spring 2003, when a group of student employees will pilot an electronic method of keeping track of work hours and scheduling. Called Workforce Central, the automated system will streamline the process and be a "huge timesaver" for all who deal with the time cards, according to Rebecca Ferguson, assistant vice president for human resources. It should also help eliminate inefficiencies in the current system, she added.

The University has already purchased Workforce Central software and hard-

ware from Kronos Inc., and a company representative is assigned to the BGSU campus to help implement the system, said Chief Information Officer Bruce Petryshak. The decision to use Kronos was based on the recommendation of previous committees studying possible time-keeping systems for BGSU. The system was chosen partly because of the flexibility it offers and its ability to be adapted to the University's particular needs, Petryshak said.

A working group of University employees who deal with employee pay issues has been created to oversee the automation of the time-card process. Co-chaired by Jeff Nelson, University Bookstore director, and Jim Stainbrook, director of financial accounting, the committee will meet biweekly to get the new system up and running on the

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### Severe Weather Policy is revised

The BGSU Cabinet recently approved a revised version of the University's Severe Weather Closing Policy. Following is a synopsis of the policy. For the full document, visit Monitor online.

Severe weather may result in transportation/safety problems for employees and students. If weather warrants closing or limiting the hours of the University, the decision to close will include both classes and non-essential areas on campus. If classes are cancelled, non-essential areas will be closed as well. The only services remaining open will be operations deemed essential.

In the event of severe weather that could affect safety, health or access to the University, the president or designee will have the final authority to decide to close the University (classes and all non-essential areas on campus). If closure is determined, the University will remain closed until the beginning of the next workday. Non-essential shift employees should contact their immediate supervisors if clarification is needed.

A decision to close the Firelands campus will be made

by the Firelands dean, who will notify all appropriate individuals, media and the main campus.

Notwithstanding any announcement of closure, faculty, staff and students must assume responsibility for their own health and safety, as well as for their class or work responsibilities. If closure is not announced, employees who are concerned about their safety may choose to arrive late to work, leave early from work, or not report to work. For the time missed, employees may choose to use accrued vacation, personal leave (in one-hour increments) or comp time, or, with approval of their immediate supervisor, use leave without pay.

In the event of severe weather, the decision to close the University will be communicated by Marketing and Communications, which will notify the University Fact Line (372-2445), WBGU-FM (88.1), WFAL-AM (680), WFOB-AM (1430), WOHO-AM (750), WCVA-AM (1230), WLQR-AM (1470), WRON (AM-1400, FM-97.7), WFIN-AM (1330) and WGTE-FM (91.3). In addition,

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## job postings.....

### FACULTY

Music. Assistant professor. Call Bruce Moss, 2-2188. Deadline: Jan. 31, 2003.

Marketing. Instructor. Call Sue Petroschius, 2-2041. Deadline: April 10, 2003.

Please contact the Office of Human Resources at 419-372-8421 for information regarding classified and administrative positions. Position vacancy announcements may be viewed by visiting the HR Web site at [www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr](http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr).

Employees wishing to apply for these positions must sign a "Request for Transfer" form and attach an updated resume or data sheet. This information must be turned in to Human Resources by the job deadline.

### CLASSIFIED

The deadline for employees to apply is 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13.

Account Clerk 3 (C-100-Vc)—Bursar's Office. Pay grade 7. Full-time position.

The following position is advertised on and off campus.

Maintenance Repair Worker 2 (C-101-Vc)—Facilities Services. Pay grade 7. Full-time position. Dead-

line: 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20.

### ADMINISTRATIVE

Assistant Director of Residence Life for Educational Initiatives (S-080)—Office of Residence Life. Administrative grade 14. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

Director (S-036)—Bowen-Thompson Student Union. Administrative grade 19. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

Manager (S-049)—University Dining Services (two positions). Administrative grade 12. Review of applications will continue until the positions are filled.

Assistant Director of Alumni Affairs and Special Events (02-102)—University Advancement. Administrative grade 14. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

Academic Recruiter/Adviser (02-106)—College of Technology. Administrative grade 14. Deadline: Dec. 13.

Director of Student Financial Aid (02-103)—Student Financial Aid. Administrative grade 19. Deadline: Dec. 27.

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### Share holiday cheer at open house

President Sidney Ribeau invites the campus community to a holiday open house from 4-6 p.m. Wednesday (Dec. 11) in the McFall Center Gallery.

### Electronic time sheets

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main campus and at BGSU Firelands.

Having the BGsupernet in place has made using Workforce Central possible, Petryshak said. In addition to tracking and automatically calculating hours worked, the Web-based system will allow users to view their schedules and other work-related information online using the MyBGSU portal.

For areas that deal with large numbers of student employees, such as dining services and the bookstore, Workforce Central will help supervisors plan coverage by giving them an overall view of their employees' schedules, Nelson said.

Student employees are the focus of the program because they represent the greatest administrative challenge, Stainbrook said. They are the most mobile and the most transient, often working in more than one office a semester.

The University has discussed purchasing such a system since 1991, committee members said, but until the technology infrastructure and funding were in place it was not feasible. As the amount of data entered for student employees has continued to rise, the need to automate has become more pressing.

Another significant advantage of using Workforce Central,

said University Treasurer Gaylyn Finn, is that "for the first time, everyone will be on the same system." Standardizing procedures will make the entire payroll system function much more efficiently, he said, adding that he hopes it will also move BGSU toward greater compliance with federal and state work rules.

Establishing a standard set of University work rules will be critical to the success of the system, said Dave Crooks, operations manager in athletics. A sub-group of the working committee may be formed to study that topic.

The committee is soliciting questions from future users to determine how Workforce Central will accommodate what is done at the University.

Most departments should be able to log in and out using a standard desktop computer, but some initial card readers have been purchased for the pilot program.

The committee's first task is to identify the pilot group of student employees, then develop work rules, approval levels and security plans. In February and March, the program will be run with the pilot group, followed by an evaluation and adjustment period. Next fall, the program will be implemented for all student employees.

## campus calendar.....

### Tuesday, Dec. 10

Partnerships for Community Action Grant Proposal Deadline, 12:01 p.m., PCA office, 202A University Hall. Call PCA at 2-7316.

Board of Trustees, 1:45 p.m., 308 Union.

Lecture, "The Great Marijuana Debate," 6 p.m., Lenhart Grand Ballroom, Union. Sponsored by University Activities Organization.

### Wednesday, Dec. 11

Affirmative Directions Program, Michael Fetzer, director of Ohio's Equal Opportunity Commission, will speak on the value of diversity when dealing with challenges in the quest to remain globally competitive while maintaining security in the face of terrorism, 10 a.m., 201B Union.

Stress-Free Zone, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Union Lobby. Free massages sponsored by Union Programs.

Brown Bag Lunch, "Holiday Fun without Barbie: Strong Young Women in Children's Holiday Literature," Kim Greenfield, English, noon-1 p.m., 107 Hanna Hall.

Holiday Open House, 4-6 p.m., McFall Gallery. Hosted by President Sidney Ribeau.

Latino Cultural Arts Committee Talent Gala, 7 p.m., 101B Olscamp Hall. Celebration and showcase of Hispanic arts.

### Thursday, Dec. 12

Reading and Book Signing. BGSU alumna Philana Marie Boles, author of *Blame It on Eve*, 7:30 p.m., Prout Chapel.

### Friday, Dec. 13

Conference, "Undergraduate Conference on Media, Communication and Culture," 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., 201 Union. Sponsored by School of Communication Studies.

### Sunday, Dec. 15

Newman Club Religious Service, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Lenhart Grand Ballroom, Union.

### Continuing Events

#### Through Dec. 13

Flu shots, available to faculty and staff from 8-10 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Friday; Student Health Service. No appointment needed. Cost is \$15 with BGSU ID.

#### Dec. 13-14

Olde English Yuletide Dinner, 7 p.m., Lenhart Grand Ballroom, Union. Reservations required. Call 2-6951.

#### Through Dec. 15

Planetarium Presentation, "Secret of the Star," showings at 8 p.m. Tuesday and Friday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday. \$1 donation suggested.

#### Through Dec. 15

Art Exhibit, 53rd annual School of Art Faculty/Staff Exhibition, Dorothy Uber Bryan Gallery, Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 1-4 p.m. Sunday.

#### Through Jan. 31

Art Exhibits, "Wake Up Little Susie: Pregnancy and Power before Roe vs. Wade," and "Warnings: An Exhibit by Lisa Link," both in the Willard Wankelman Gallery, Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 1-4 p.m. Sundays. Closed Dec. 16-Jan. 15, 2003.

Monitor will be published Dec. 16, and then not again until Jan. 6.

Happy holidays!

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### Severe Weather (Continued)

WBGU-TV (Channel 27) and four Toledo television stations (Channels 11, 13, 24 and 36) will be notified. Faculty, staff and students will be sent an email announcement, and information related to the emergency will be posted on the University Web site.

Efforts will be made to notify

media, send email and post Web announcements by 6:30 a.m. on the day of closing. In the event of an evening closure, Marketing and Communications will attempt to notify the campus and the media by 4 p.m. Employees and students may also call the University answering service number (372-SNOW).