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President's Lecture Series

Power of the pen changes teens', teacher's lives

The pen may be mightier than the sword, but is it mightier than the gun? Erin Gruwell is convinced the answer is yes, and with good reason.

The English teacher saw it happen in her Long Beach, Calif., high school classroom, where educational castoffs from often-violent backgrounds were transformed through the power of the written word.

They tell much of the story in their own words in the book, *Freedom Writers' Diary—How a Teacher and 150 Teens Used Writing to Change Themselves and the World Around Them*. Gruwell related it March 23 to a President's Lecture Series audience in Olscamp Hall.

Now a two-time California Teacher of the Year, she wasn't even considering a career in education as a student at the University of California-Irvine. Planning to go to law school instead, she was "changed forever," she said, when the verdict in the Rodney King case was announced and riots erupted in Los Angeles.

Gruwell was particularly struck by the image of a father, with a young son at his side, picking up a Molotov cocktail and throwing it through the window of a Circuit City store. They then looted the store, emerging with televisions and other items.

"Education starts at home," said Gruwell, who knew then that she wanted to work with children like the young boy—disenfranchised and on the margins of society.

All she had to do, Gruwell thought, was get students excited about learning. But after earning her teaching credential, she soon learned what she called the "big disconnect between theory and practice."

Reality check

Walking down the hall on her first day at Woodrow Wilson High School in 1994, she was stopped by a security officer asking what she was doing there. The 4,500-student school is "an unbelievable mix of economics, race and academic levels," explained Gruwell, who soon realized that as the new teacher, she had inherited the 150 freshmen that no one else wanted.

They were, in many cases, just out of juvenile hall or drug rehabilitation, or from non-English-speaking backgrounds. Looking at their records, and lacking books and technology in her classroom, she wondered how she would teach them.

Shaking, Gruwell passed out the syllabus, which listed epics by Homer and Shakespearean sonnets that she had planned to use to generate the desired excitement. When a copy reached Darius Garrett in the back of the room, however, it soon returned to her—followed by others—as a paper airplane.

What really got her attention, though, was something the 250-pound freshman said: "Why do we have to keep reading books by dead white guys in tights?"

Gruwell left that day discouraged, not getting the solace, either, that she had sought in the teachers' lounge. There, one teacher called her students a waste, too stupid to read books anyway and not supposed to graduate.

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Breakthrough

Searching for an answer, she concluded that since overcoming adversity is among the universal truths found in Homer's writing, maybe she should listen to the "epic journeys" of her street-savvy students first.

Asking about those journeys the next day, Gruwell gained more insight from Garrett. "I feel like I live in an undeclared war," he said. In a classroom 30 minutes from Disneyland, she wondered how that could be, but he began telling stories that made his point only too clearly.

His best friend's mother had given her son \$25 to buy things for school. Not caring about school, though, the boy bought a used handgun instead. He took Garrett with him to a park and, playing Russian roulette, "blew his brains out all over Darius," Gruwell said.

Even scrubbing in the shower couldn't erase the feeling of his friend on him, added Garrett, who also had about two dozen other friends who had been killed and a father who had died of AIDS.

"The only person who was horrified was me," Gruwell remembered. A girl in the class, Maria Reyes, chimed in that she had been to more funerals than birthday parties. By the time Maria was 5, Gruwell said, she had seen her 18-year-old cousin shot in the back five times and killed by police.

Wondering further how she was going to reach them, Gruwell started talking to her students about books written by teenagers, such as Anne Frank, who had been in real wars but picked up a pen, rather than a gun, to express themselves.

She was rebuffed again in the teacher's lounge when she asked about books, but got a Christmas money "advance" from her father—who didn't know her plans—and bought 150 books, including copies of Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl.

Her next hurdle was figuring out how to get the students excited about owning a book. Thinking in terms of rites of passage, she hit upon the idea of a toast, in this case a toast simply to change.

Gruwell had thought they might read a book for the first time "if they can find themselves in the pages," but when Maria raised her plastic champagne glass with the sparkling apple cider, what she said had nothing to do with books.

"I don't want to be pregnant by the time I'm 15, like my mother, and I don't want to be in jail, like my father, and I don't want to be six feet under, like my cousin," she said. The pronouncement opened "a floodgate of tears" among a group of teenagers previously conditioned not to let their guard down, Gruwell recalled.

The spirit of Anne Frank

They subsequently found they could also relate to the words of Anne Frank, including her acknowledgement that "I sometimes feel like a bird in a cage and just want to fly away."

Christening themselves the Freedom Writers, after the civil rights-activist Freedom Riders, they wanted to find someone who had known Anne. Doing "a little research," Darius Garrett learned that Miep Gies, who had hidden the Franks, was still alive in Amsterdam.

The students thought they would simply write letters to her, and she would come to Long Beach to meet them. When Garrett asked what would happen if she didn't, Gruwell suggested that the money they had raised could be used for more books or a field trip. She added, however, that if the 87-year-old Gies did come, "your lives will never be the same."

And she did, prompting a welcome that might have been reserved for a celebrity. "When she walked in, it was like Michael Jordan, P.Diddy or Jennifer Lopez came to see us," said Gruwell.



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As Gies told her story of sacrifice for Anne Frank, Garrett began to cry uncontrollably. Her account of the day the Franks were captured by the Nazis reminded him of his friend in the park. And she said she continued to think of Anne every day, just as Garrett did his friend.

But when he told Gies, "I've never had a hero, but you're my hero," she reacted angrily, Gruwell said. Pounding her fist, Gies denied she was a hero. "I simply did what I had to do because it was the right thing to do," she said, exhorting her young listeners not to let Anne die in vain.

At that point, Gruwell said, the students realized that in times of trial, they had to pick up a pen and paper instead of a fist, or a gun.

Success stories

The students' work was published in 1999 as Freedom Writers' Diary, which Universal is turning into a motion picture. They toured America and went to Europe to visit Anne Frank's Amsterdam apartment, as well as the Auschwitz concentration camp and war-torn Sarajevo, where another teenager, Zlata Filipovic, had kept a published diary that also inspired them. A feature-length documentary about that journey is in the works.

More importantly, all 150 of the Freedom Writers graduated from high school and went on to college.

Gruwell, who founded the nonprofit Tolerance Education Foundation in part to fund scholarships for underprivileged students, is now Distinguished Teacher in Residence in the colleges of liberal arts and education at California State University-Long Beach.

But her hope remains that anyone in a position to make a difference in the lives of young people who feel like they don't belong, like Darrius Garrett and his classmates, will look past the baggage to the potential, and the ability to dream.

BGSU becomes first university in U.S. EPA partnership

Once again, BGSU has been recognized for its Elemental Mercury Collection and Reclamation Program, becoming the first university partner in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's National Waste Minimization Partnership Program.

The EPA's goal is to improve environmental results through waste minimization of persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic chemicals. Thirty of these chemicals, including mercury, are identified in the program. Where source reduction is not economically practical, these hazardous substances can be reduced through environmentally sound recycling.

That is where BGSU comes in. Elemental mercury, a potent neurotoxin that poses a significant health risk when inhaled, is present in all sorts of everyday items, from thermometers to pressure gauges. Bowling Green's environmental health and safety department has removed more than 8,000 pounds of elemental mercury from the region since the reclamation project began in January 1998, said David Heinlen, BGSU safety and health coordinator.

The University partners with the five Ohio EPA district offices, Rader Environmental Services of Findlay and the Ohio Spill Planning, Prevention and Emergency Response Association. Together, they locate, pick up and recycle mercury found in homes, schools, hospitals and businesses. Toledo Environmental Services also assists the program by removing elemental mercury from Toledo. Overall, the program has removed sources of elemental mercury from numerous counties around the state plus eastern Indiana, southern Michigan and western Pennsylvania.



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"Dave Heinlen has provided great leadership for this program, and both he and the University should be proud of the well-deserved recognition that it is receiving," said Christopher Dalton, senior vice president for finance and administration.

BGSU is in good company on the partnership list and is the only organization named under the "state and local government facilities" category. Private partners include E.I. du Pont de Nemours, Hewlett Packard, Toyota Motor Manufacturing and U.S. Steel. The federal partners include three army and navy bases.

"EPA is thrilled to have Bowling Green" as the first university among the 28 partners, said Janet Haft, waste minimization coordinator for U.S. EPA Region 5, based in Chicago. "This was a perfect opportunity for us to bring schools, chemical reduction and community partnerships together."

The University's mercury reclamation program was honored last July with an Award of Recognition in the Unique or Innovative Category from the Campus Safety, Health and Environmental Management Association, a division of the National Safety Council.

24 accomplished graduates honored

Twenty-four University graduates from around the nation returned to campus March 28 to receive 2004 Best of BGSU Accomplished Graduate Awards.

The BGSU Alumni Association recognized the graduates for their professional success and contributions to their communities.

"We feel this group of accomplished graduates exemplifies the diverse successes of our alumni," said Mariann Reinke, associate vice president for University advancement and director of alumni affairs. "Each recipient is making a difference in their profession, their community and the nation."

Nine award recipients are from Ohio:

U.S. Rep. Tim Ryan of Niles earned his bachelor's degree in political science in 1995. A Democrat who represents Ohio's 17th District, he is co-chair and founding member of the House Manufacturing Caucus. Ryan is the youngest member of the 108th Congress.

Leif Ericsson of Norwalk is a 1996 graduate of BGSU Firelands, where he earned an associate degree in liberal arts. He is the acting owner of Viking Technology Inc., a business he created to provide on-site and in-house computer consulting, repair, upgrades, Web design, networking and service to business and residential clientele. His clients include Time Warner and USNET.

David Norwine of Port Clinton is president and CEO of Magruder Hospital and a part-time instructor of health care administration at Bowling Green. Also a former pastor, he earned his bachelor's degree in education in 1968.

Adam Eibling of Port Clinton is director of business development for Midwest Covenant Care Inc., which is based in Aliso Viejo, Calif. As a consultant for 10 Midwest facilities in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, he develops and implements new programs for each facility. Eibling received his bachelor's degree in social work in 1996.

State Rep. Chris Redfern of Catawba Township is the Democratic leader in the Ohio House of Representatives. Redfern earned his bachelor's degree in political science in 1988 and a master's degree in state and local government in 1991, also from BGSU.

Dean L. Olivieri of North Canton is president of Fred Olivieri Construction Co. In 1987, Olivieri created the company's retail division to accompany existing commercial and industrial divisions. He earned his bachelor's degree in construction technology in 1979.



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Ronald Abrams of Mansfield is president of North Central State College. Abrams received his bachelor's degree in industrial technology education in 1973 and a master's degree in career technology in education in 1975.

David Coleman of Loveland is known as the "Dating Doctor." He has spoken to more than five million people in the United States and Canada about prescriptions that lead to healthier, more satisfying relationships with spouses, families, co-workers and neighbors. Coleman graduated in 1983 with a bachelor's degree in speech pathology and audiology and in 1985 with a master's degree in college student personnel.

Christine Potokar Fischer of Richmond Heights is an assistant professor in the division of geriatric medicine and staff physician at University Hospitals in Cleveland. Since 1999 she has been a staff physician at the Hanna House Skilled Nursing Facility and Judson Park Retirement Community. Fischer earned her bachelor's degree in 1989.

Also honored were 15 alumni from other states:

Jeffrey Shore of Los Angeles is senior vice president of production for E! Networks. He has produced television series pilots including "Star Dates," "The Anna Nicole Show," "It's Good To Be" and "Style Court." He was executive producer and creator of the "E! True Hollywood Story," the highest-rated series in E! history. He graduated in 1975 with a bachelor's degree in English and journalism.

Brenda J. Hollis of Denver is a consultant for international criminal law, investigation and prosecution. She has trained international peacekeepers for the Pearson Peacekeeping Center in Canada and worked with the Institute for International Criminal Investigation, the Coalition for International Justice and the Open Society Justice Initiative. Hollis earned her bachelor's degree in political science in 1968.

Frank Murru Jr. of Orlando is vice president and general manager of Discovery Cove, an exclusive interactive marine life park. He oversees all aspects of park operation and serves as a member of Sea World's senior management team. Murru graduated in 1974 with a bachelor's degree in biology.

Ronald Whitehouse of Nokomis, Fla., was a founding partner and former chairman of the board of HQ Network Systems Inc., an international franchiser. He also served as chairman, CEO and majority stockholder of HQ Chicago Inc. & Affiliates. Whitehouse graduated in 1967 with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

Tenor Hugh Kash Smith of Sarasota, Fla., made his operatic debut in "Madama Butterfly" in Naples, Italy, after winning the Pavarotti Competition in 1995. Carnegie Hall, the Metropolitan Opera and the Opera of Paris are among the venues where he has performed. Smith earned his bachelor's degree in 1991 and master's degree in 1994, both in music.

Uzee Brown, of Mableton, Ga., earned his master's degree in music theory and composition from BGSU in 1974. Chair of the Department of Music at Morehouse College in Atlanta, he is also choir director at Ebenezer Baptist Church. He is a published composer and arranger who wrote the musical prologue for Spike Lee's "School Daze."

Kenneth Yontz, from Elm Grove, Wis., is chair of Apogent Technologies Inc. and Sybron Dental Specialties. He also serves on the board of Rockwell Automation and is founder of the Karen Yontz Women's Cardiac Awareness Center in Milwaukee. The Sandusky native graduated in 1971 with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

John J. Deal of Greensboro, N.C., is a professor of music education and dean of the School of Music at the University of North Carolina-Greensboro. Deal received his bachelor's degree in music education in 1971 and master's degree in instrumental conducting in 1975 from BGSU.

J. Michael McGuire, who lives in Charlotte, N.C., helped rescue the accounting practice of Arthur Andersen in the Carolinas after the Enron scandal. He managed the sale of four Carolina offices to Grant Thornton LLP, which saved 250 jobs. McGuire graduated in 1982 with a bachelor's degree in accounting and management information systems.

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For the last 20 years, Betty Landman of Glenside, Pa., has been president of Arcadia University, one of the first campuses to open its doors for mature men and women to pursue degree study part time and offer on-campus childcare for students and employees. Winner of the 2003 Women of Distinction Award from Philadelphia Business Journal, she graduated summa cum laude in 1959 with a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

Andrew Fichthorn of San Antonio is executive vice president and general manager of Sea World San Antonio. He formerly was senior vice president of planning and development for Busch Entertainment Corp., where he led the development team for Discovery Cove, a marine mammal interactive day resort in Orlando, Fla. He graduated cum laude in 1982 with a bachelor's degree in accounting and finance.

Adena Loston is the senior official for agency-wide educational endeavors for NASA in Washington, D.C. She is responsible for guiding the space agency's efforts to organize and enhance its educational programs. Prior to joining NASA, Loston was president of San Jacinto College South in Houston. She earned a master's degree in business education in 1974 and a doctorate in education in 1979 from BGSU.

Bruce Misamore, who divides his time between Houston and Moscow, is chief financial officer at YUKOS Oil Co., Russia's largest oil company. He previously served as senior vice president of finance and treasurer of PennzEnergy Co. and as vice president and treasurer of Pennzoil Co. Recognized as one of Toledo's 10 Outstanding Young Men in 1975 and listed in the 1978 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America, the former Findlay resident earned a bachelor's degree in finance in 1972 and a MBA in 1973 from Bowling Green.

Julie Shaffer-Callens, a United Airlines pilot based at Washington Dulles International Airport, flies scheduled passenger operations in Boeing 727, 737, 757 and 767 aircrafts. She participates in Pilots for Kids, a national organization of airline pilots who donate their time visiting sick children in hospitals around the country, and the United Airlines Fantasy Flight, in which the company organizes fantasy flights to the North Pole for terminally ill children each holiday season. A resident of South Riding, Va., Shaffer-Callens graduated in 1989 with a bachelor's degree in aerotechnology.

Marie May Watson is an associate professor of communication disorders at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. She formerly taught at Central Michigan University and was a speech pathologist at Kobacker Psychoeducational Center at the Medical College of Ohio in Toledo and the Grafton State School in North Carolina. In 1999 she co-authored *More Than Playing Around*, with accompanying software by the same title, as well as the software "Phonological Practice: An Electronic Workbook." Watson earned her doctorate in communication disorders at BGSU in 1986.

Each honoree received a pewter star statue and, from the college in which they studied, a certificate of recognition as a 2004 BGSU Accomplished Graduate Award winner.

International Careers Fair to feature veteran diplomat

Ronald Godard, former U.S. Ambassador to Guyana, will be on campus Wednesday (March 31) to participate in BGSU's first International Careers Information Fair and related events.

Joining Godard will be James Callahan, director of recruitment for the U.S. State Department.

Part of the University's International Week activities, the fair will be held from 5:30-7 p.m. in the Lenhart Grand Ballroom of the Bowen-Thompson Student Union. It is not a job fair, but rather an information-sharing forum where representatives of government agencies, non-profit organizations and corporations with international operations can showcase themselves and their missions. It is also a response to growing demand from students and faculty for information about career possibilities in the international arena.



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Participating organizations include the Peace Corps, Sister Cities International of Toledo, Convergys Inc., Case Western Reserve University's Mandel Center for Nonprofit Organizations, and the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action. Sponsors are the Center for International Programs, the International Studies Program, the Career Center and the Office of the Executive Vice President.

The fair is open to the public, as are events immediately preceding and following it in the ballroom. A panel discussion on international careers is set from 4-5:30 p.m., and from 7-8 p.m., international and American students will lead another discussion, "Cross-cultural Communications: Building Bridges, Breaking Down Barriers."

The day's other public events are a meeting of students with Godard and Callahan from 10-11:30 a.m. in 1103 Offenbauer West (the International Programs conference room), and a reception for Godard from 2:30-4 p.m. in 314 Union.

Now Diplomat-in-Residence at the University of Illinois-Chicago, Godard has more than 30 years of experience as a foreign-service officer in Latin America. Before joining the State Department, the University of Texas graduate was a Peace Corps volunteer in Ecuador.

Distinguished alumnus to speak on leadership for the 21st century

Banking executive James Bailey, a BGSU graduate, will deliver the first College of Arts & Sciences Distinguished Alumni Lecture on Thursday (April 1).

Bailey will present "A Call for 21st Century Leadership" at 4 p.m. in 308 Bowen-Thompson Student Union. Drawing on his wide reading in U.S. history and his experiences as a leader of complex business organizations, Bailey will discuss the qualities possessed by the greatest leaders of history and suggest how they provide valuable lessons for leaders in the 21st century.

"Given widespread concern about leadership in contemporary business, government and the professions, and higher education's responsibility to educate tomorrow's leaders, Mr. Bailey's topic is a timely one," notes Don Nieman, dean of arts and sciences.

Bailey received his bachelor's degree in mathematics from BGSU in 1967 and his master's degree in mathematics from New York University in 1970. He enjoyed a 28-year career at Citibank, where he managed its North American Consumer Bank and Credit Card business. During his distinguished career with Citibank, he led organizations of as many as 25,000 individuals with offices in 100 countries.

Shortly after retiring as Citibank's executive vice president in 2000, he joined U.S. Trust's Product Management Group as executive vice president. He is also active in service to his profession and the community, having served on the VISA Board of Directors (1990-94) and the board of directors of the Depository Trust Corp. (1995-97).

Currently, he is a member of the board of the Visiting Nurse Service of New York, the advisory board of the College of Arts & Sciences at New York University, the board of visitors of the Georgetown University School of Medicine, and the Bowling Green State University Foundation Board. The lecture and a reception that follows are free and open to the public.

Lang Lang to conclude Festival Series

Chinese pianist Lang Lang will close the 2003-04 Festival Series at 8 p.m. Friday (April 2) in Kobacker Hall of the Moore Musical Arts Center.

At only 21 years of age, Lang Lang is taking classical music to the forefront of popular culture, being coined by some as the "Tiger Woods of classical music."



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After a last-minute substitution at the Ravinia Festival in 1999 to perform Tchaikovsky's first Piano Concerto with the Chicago Symphony, he began engagements with major orchestras around the world.

Lang Lang has appeared on national television and radio programs, and was featured in "The Wall Street Journal" and in the "Teen People" issue highlighting the "Top Twenty Teens Who Will Change the World."

Born in Shen Yang, China, Lang Lang began studying piano at the age of three, and recently graduated from the prestigious Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia.

He has released two recordings for Telarc Records, both hitting the "Billboard" classical charts.

His Festival Series program will include "Variations on the name 'Abegg' for Piano in F Major, Op.1" by Schumann, "Piano Sonata in C Major" by Haydn, "Fantasy in C Major" by Schubert, "Eight Memories in Watercolor, Op.1" by Tan Dun, "Etude in C-Sharp minor, Op.2, No.1" by Alexander Scriabin and "Andante Spianato et Grande polonaise brillante in E-flat, Op.22" by Chopin.

Tickets, priced at \$34, \$26 and \$18, are on sale at the center box office. For tickets, call 2-8171 or 1-800-589-2224.

State of Region conference to examine economic development

Farmland preservation. Business closings—and how affected communities have adjusted to them. Capital investment and new construction.

All are part of the economic development equation, and all will be addressed in the context of northwest Ohio at a conference Friday (April 2) at Great Bear Lodge in Sandusky.

Presented by BGSU's Center for Policy Analysis and Public Service, the third annual State of the Region conference will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Providing an overview will be the keynote speaker, Dr. Mark Drabenstott, vice president and director of the Center for the Study of Rural America within the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas. In his speech, beginning at 11:15 a.m., Drabenstott will address economic development in rural America and the concept of "thinking regionally, acting locally."

After lunch, at 1:15 p.m., representatives of business and government in northwest Ohio will lead a panel discussion about the state of economic development in northwest Ohio from their professional perspectives.

Panelists will include:

Judith Cowan, the governor's regional representative for the Ohio Department of Development in an eight-county area of west central Ohio; Dale Fallat, vice president of corporate services for The Andersons, Inc., based in Maumee; Michael Jay, economic development director for the city of Fremont, and Larry Stelzer, director of the Mercer County Community Development Department.

World Bank scientist to discuss global environmental change

Robert T. Watson, chief scientist and senior adviser for environmentally and socially sustainable development at the World Bank, will give the 2004 Edward Lamb Peace Lecture April 7 in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union.

Watson will speak on "Global Environmental Change: The Threat to Peace and Development" at 7 p.m. in the Union Theater. The lecture is free and open to the public.

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A United Nations agency based in Washington, D.C., the World Bank is charged to fight poverty and improve the living standards of people in the developing world.

Watson, who earned his doctorate in chemistry at London University in England, currently co-chairs the board of directors of the International Millennium Ecosystem Assessment and the International Scientific Assessment of Stratospheric Ozone. From 1997-2002, he was chair of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

He has also served in the Office of Science and Technology Policy at the White House, and has worked at NASA. In addition, he has led the Convention on Biodiversity roster of experts on climate change and biodiversity, among other special projects.

Widely recognized for his work, Watson has received a number of awards, including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Climate Protection Award, the American Association for the Advancement of Science Award for Scientific Freedom and Responsibility, and the American Meteorological Society Special Award for his efforts in organizing and conducting international assessments of ozone depletion and global change.

The annual Lamb Peace Lecture brings internationally recognized experts to Bowling Green each year to address the connection between environmental issues and world security. The series began in 1986 in honor of the late Edward Lamb, a prominent Toledo lawyer devoted to social justice, civil rights and world peace.

IN BRIEF

Wooster Street update for projected work starting March 30

The project contractor is scheduled to perform trenching activities on Thurstin Avenue between East Wooster Street and Court Street starting Tuesday, March 30, and continuing until Friday, April 2. The trenching activity is to remove rock so sewer lines can be installed at a future date.

Thurstin Avenue will be closed from East Wooster Street to Court Street from approximately 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. on these days. Lot 11, the metered parking lot on the west side of Founders Quad, will be closed Monday evening, March 29, and reopen when the contractor has completed all work in the Thurstin Avenue area.

Individuals who usually come to campus using this section of Thurstin Avenue should allow for additional travel time while using alternate routes to reach their destinations.

The city and University police as well as the city fire department are aware of the closings and have formulated plans to maintain services to the community during these daytime closures.

Thurstin Avenue will be open each evening after the contractor has completed work.

This schedule is subject to change due to weather and other construction issues that may arise. As the contractor provides updated information, it will be sent to the University community by broadcast email. You may check the Web site established to keep the University community advised on the status of the project at www.bgsu.edu/offices/pr/wooster/, or in Monitor at www.bgsu.edu/offices/pr/monitor.

During construction, please be alert to increased pedestrian traffic and to the movement of construction vehicles. The speed limit on University drives and in all campus parking lots is 15 mph.



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A&S Forum to revisit Salem witchcraft crisis

Mary Beth Norton, Mary Donlon Alger Professor of History at Cornell University, will address "New Questions and New Answers about the Salem Witchcraft Crisis" in the College of Arts and Sciences Forum from noon-1:15 p.m. Friday (April 2) in 228 Bowen-Thompson Student Union.

Almost all books about Salem have focused on the same set of questions, primarily about the accused women and why they were targeted. Norton, a Pulitzer Prize finalist in 1997, realized that another series of questions had remained unasked, most notably about the accused men and the accusers. She will discuss how answering those questions led her to a new and widely acclaimed interpretation of the iconic event.

A lunch of grilled chicken oriental salad will be available at noon for \$7.95 plus tax. Those with an active food account may use debit cards. Individuals who wish to come at 12:30 p.m. for the lecture only are also welcome.

Reservations should be made by today (March 29) by contacting the college office at 2-2017 or ajoyce@bgnnet.bgsu.edu. Reservations should include BGSU identification number. Any missed or canceled reservations will be billed to the individual's bursar account.

Former state school chief to discuss leadership

"Emerging Leadership" will be Frank Walter's topic Thursday (April 1) when the former State Superintendent of Public Instruction delivers the fourth annual J. Roderick Rice Lecture in Educational Administration and Supervision at 5:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 1506 E. Wooster St.

BGSU's Division of Educational Administration and Leadership Studies will host the free event. For planning purposes, anyone who will be attending is asked to contact Judy Alston, chair of EALS, at 2-7313.

Walter, whose career in education began in 1951, is now Flesher Professor of Educational Administration and Superintendent in Residence in the Ohio State University College of Education. A former visiting professor at BGSU, he has held several positions at Ohio State—where he earned a Ph.D. in educational administration—since leaving the state superintendent's post.

Walter has received several honorary doctorates and was the first recipient of the Ohio Pioneer in Education Award from the Ohio Department of Education. His honors also include the James R. Kirkpatrick Legislative Service Award and the Distinguished Service Award, both from the American Association of School Administrators.

Higher education expert to speak Friday

Madeleine Green, vice president and director of the American Council on Education's Center for Institutional and International Initiatives, will address major issues in higher education at 1 p.m. Friday (April 2) in 101B Otscamp Hall.

Faculty, staff and students are invited to attend Green's talk, which will be followed by discussion. Sponsors are the President's Advisory Council and the provost's office.

To learn more about Green, visit www.acenet.edu/about/whotoask/searchn.cfm?ID=16.

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Microsoft Access training with a twist

The Computer Training Center, along with Information Technology Services, is offering Microsoft Access training with a twist.

The four-session training, which begins Friday (April 2), will allow students to apply what they learn to a project they are working on or trying to start in Access. Due to the program's complexity, and the design of a database being unique to every office situation, students will have an opportunity to work on their projects with a qualified instructor to ensure their databases will run efficiently.

Enrollment is limited, and enrollees must attend all four sessions, set for 9 a.m.-noon April 2, 9, 16 and 23. More than one person can attend for the same project. To sign up, call 2-8181; for more information, call Susan Huffine at 2-4910.

CALENDAR

Monday, March 29

Music at the Forefront, by Alcides Lanza, composer, and Meg Sheppard, voice and drama, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Tuesday, March 30

Movie, "Cat in the Hat," 9:30 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by the University Activities Organization.

Wednesday, March 31

Brown Bag Lunch, "Bring Your Favorite Professor to Lunch," noon-1 p.m., Women's Center, 107 Hanna Hall.
Softball doubleheader vs. Marshall, 2 p.m., softball complex.
Women's History Month Presentation by keynote speaker Emily Lyons, abortion clinic bombing survivor and reproductive rights activist, 7 p.m., 101 Olscamp Hall.
Bryan Chamber Series, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Thursday, April 1

Dissertation Defense, "Hypercyclic and Supercyclic Operators in the Weak Topology of Banach Spaces," by Rebecca Sanders, mathematics and statistics, 9:30 a.m., 459 Mathematical Sciences Building.
Men's Issues Brown Bag Series, "But I'm a Nice Guy," noon-1 p.m., 320 Saddlemere Student Services Building.
Administrative Staff Council, 1:30-3 p.m., 316 Union.
The Holocaust and the Moving Image Film Series, "Schindler's List," a 1993 film directed by Steven Spielberg, 7:30 p.m., Gish Film Theater, Hanna Hall.
Trumpet Ensemble, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Friday, April 2

Women's Tennis vs. Western Michigan, 1 p.m., Keefe Courts.
Mathematics and Statistics Colloquium, "Streakiness in Team Performance," by Jim Albert, mathematics and statistics, 3:45 p.m., 459 Mathematical Sciences Building.
Movie, "Shrek," 7:30 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by UAO.
Festival Series concert by pianist Lang Lang, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Call the box office at 2-8171 for ticket information.
Movie, "Cat in the Hat," 11 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by UAO.

Saturday, April 3

Women's Tennis vs. Northern Illinois, 1 p.m., Keefe Courts.
Movie, "Cat in the Hat," 7:30 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by UAO.
Movie, "Shrek," 9:30 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by UAO.

Sunday, April 4

Creative Arts Program Recital, 2, 4 and 6 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.
Planet Patrol (Kid Show), 2-3 p.m., Planetarium. \$1 donation suggested.
Sunday Matinees, "Mr. Hulot's Holiday," a 1953 French film directed by Jacques Tati, 3 p.m., Gish Film Theater, Hanna Hall.
Movie, "Cat in the Hat," 9:30 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by UAO.

Monday, April 5

Jazz Guitar Ensemble and Vocal Jazz Ensemble, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.



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Through April 7

Art Exhibits, sculptures by Erica Neitz and graphite drawings by David Sapp, Little Gallery, BGSU Firelands. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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Art Exhibit, BFA Senior Thesis Exhibition, Dorothy Uber Bryan, Willard Wankelman and Union galleries. Call 2-8525 for gallery hours.

April 1-3

Treehouse Troupe Theatre Production, "Ashipettle and the Giant Sea Serpent," adapted by BGSU faculty member F. Scott Regan, and "Urashima Taro: The Island Son," 7:30 p.m. each evening, Joe E. Brown Theatre, University Hall. Admission is \$5. Call 2-2719 for more information.

JOB POSTINGS

FACULTY

English. Instructor/visiting assistant professor. Call Simon Morgan-Russell, 2-7543. Deadline: April 26.

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.

CLASSIFIED

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.

The following position is advertised on and off campus:

Sales Clerk 2 (C-14-Re)—University Bookstore. Pay grade 4. Part-time position, 20-30 hours per week. Deadline to apply is 1 p.m. Friday, April 2.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Director and Physician in Chief (04-017NF)—Student Health Services. Salary is commensurate with education and experience. Review of applications will begin March 31.

Assistant Director of Residence Life for Housing Administration (R-014)—Office of Residence Life. Administrative grade 15. Deadline: April 2.

Associate Director of Residence Life and University Dining Services for Marketing and Conference Programs (R-023)—Resi-

dence Life and University Dining Services. Administrative grade 16. Deadline: April 2.

Project Manager (R-024)—Design and Construction. Administrative grade 15. Deadline: April 2.

Senior Project Manager (R-025)—Design and Construction. Administrative grade 16. Deadline: April 2.

Web Application Developer (R-029)—Information Technology Services. Administrative grade 14. Deadline: April 9.

Assistant Director of Graduate Studies in Business—College of Business Administration. Administrative grade 15. Deadline: April 16.

Residence Hall Director (V-018)—Office of Residence Life (three positions). Administrative grade 13. Review of applications will continue until all positions are filled.

Director of Gift Planning (V-046)—Office of Development, University Advancement (Re-advertised). Administrative grade 18. Review of applications began Feb. 20. All applicants will receive full and fair consideration until the position is filled.

Staff Internal Auditor (R-077)—Internal Auditing and Advisory Services. Administrative grade 15. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

University General Counsel (04-004NF)—General Counsel/Office of the President. Salary will be competitive and commensurate with experience. Review of applications and nominations began March 1. All applicants will receive full and fair consideration until the position is filled.

