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Saddlemire offices starting move to Conklin

A number of campus offices have begun a month-long move to new homes in Conklin North. Most of them are migrating from the Saddlemire Student Services Building, which will be torn down in July to make room for the future Wolfe Center for the Arts.

Moving first, last week, was the BG Experience program, from the fourth floor of Moseley Hall to the first floor of Conklin. BGX has relocated to join other student services programs in Conklin, where those that are most heavily involved with Orientation and Registration can gear up for the start of that program the week of June 18, said Robert Waddle, assistant vice president for capital planning.

The Office of Pre College Services, which administers such programs as Upward Bound and Educational Talent Search, is the first Saddlemire office to move, to the fourth floor of Conklin. That move was scheduled to wrap up today (June 4), followed closely by the relocations of the Center for Multicultural and Academic Initiatives on Tuesday—and the Office of Student Support Services, which is destined for the third floor of Conklin on Wednesday.

Occupying the second floor of Conklin will be the Office of Residence Life, whose move is set to start Thursday and Friday (June 7 and 8) and continue through next week.

Other third-floor occupants will include the Career Center, the Office of Student Employment Services and the Cooperative Education and Internship Program. They will head to Conklin the week of June 18, although the move could start the preceding Thursday or Friday if the process gets ahead of schedule. Student Employment Services will also have a service center on the first floor of Conklin.

The final week of June is scheduled to begin with the relocation of the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs to Conklin's first floor. That's planned for June 25 and 26, with the Counseling Center to follow June 27-29. Most Counseling Center space will be on the fourth floor, but one office and a testing room will be on the first floor.

A few more occupants of Saddlemire will be moving toward the end of June as well, although not to Conklin. The Student Technology Center will go to current computer lab space on the first floor of Hayes Hall—changes are now being made in Jerome Library to accommodate those labs—while the College of Technology's Architecture/Environmental Design Studies program is bound for the former state Bureau of Employment Services office building at 400 E. Poe Road. The University bought the building about a year ago and is having work done there to prepare for the architecture program's arrival for fall semester.

Waddle said a couple locations are possible, but a site has yet to be finalized, for the Center for Applied Technology and its Large Format Digital Imaging Lab.

The moving schedule was set after looking at the offices' needs and considering who should be moved before O-Reg and who could wait, Waddle explained. The offices worked out where they would take up residence in Conklin. "We wanted to minimize the amount of renovations," but at the same time, it was important for the Counseling Center, for example, to be in a relatively quiet setting, which the fourth floor should provide, he said.

Leading each move will be Information Technology Services and Telephone Services, with Materials Handling then moving all boxes and miscellaneous, nonfurniture items. American Interiors of Toledo will move office furnishings.

Construction on the Wolfe Center will probably begin in about 18 months, Waddle said, while a new student services building is still a few years away.
Young, unmarried fathers not necessarily ‘deadbeat dads’: BGSU study

Being young, poor and unmarried doesn’t automatically make a father or father-to-be a “deadbeat dad.”

“I think we still make that assumption,” that fathers in those circumstances “don’t want to step up and be a responsible man,” says Dr. Randall Leite, human development and family studies, family and consumer sciences.

“Often, that’s not the case,” adds Leite, whose study of a group of such men has been published in the current issue of the quarterly journal Family Relations.

“Many of these men do want to take responsibility for their children,” he says. “There are things preventing that from happening.”

Among those things are low-paying jobs, or unemployment; medical providers who leave the fathers feeling left out; maternal grandparents, and especially grandmothers, whose involvement may discourage theirs, and troubled relationships with the mothers of their children.

“When you look at what would help these men, programs to enhance the co-parenting relationship with the mother are probably the most important,” according to Leite, noting that mothers are often the “gate-keeper” to the children.

He also sees a need to address the role of the maternal grandmother and how she can complement the father in such situations. Many people think grandmothers are more involved because dads aren’t, but many men in Leite’s research said they weren’t involved because the grandmother was—an example of the “boundary ambiguity” discussed in his Family Relations article.

In addition, he advocates more job, fathering, and other educational and support programs, and that they be available to fathers-to-be well before their babies are born. That includes additional efforts by medical providers to educate men about the physical and medical aspects of pregnancy, and to incorporate them into prenatal care processes as well.

A number of communities offer programs on fathering to help get new dads more involved with their children, and some have positive effects, Leite points out. “There need to be more of them,” he says, however, and they need to reach men before the baby comes along because often, by that time, “the die has been cast.”

“If men are discouraged from being involved during the pregnancy, they’re less likely to be involved after the child is born,” he says.

Fran Voll named BGSU trustee

Former BGSU women's basketball coach Francis C. (Fran) Voll has been appointed to a nine-year term on the University's board of trustees, Gov. Ted Strickland announced May 31. He replaces Sharon Cook of Columbus, whose term ended this spring.

Voll, of Marion, is in his sixth year as principal of Marion Catholic High School. He is immediate past resource development chair of the BGSU Alumni Association Board of Directors, ending his term in May.

When he was named BGSU’s head women’s coach in 1984, he was the most successful girls’ high school basketball coach in the nation, coming from Delphos St. John. He led the Falcons to two undefeated Mid-American Conference seasons, three regular-season MAC championships, four MAC tournament titles and four trips to the NCAA tournament.
He was the BGSU coach from 1984-91, when he stepped down to become assistant athletic director and Falcon Club director. In 1996, he moved to Central Michigan University as women’s basketball coach.

Voll was inducted into the BGSU Athletic Hall of Fame and the Ohio High School Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame.

He received a bachelor’s degree in education from BGSU in 1968, and a master's degree, also in education, from St. Francis College in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Dobb, Bushong to give library presentation on Capitol Hill

June 26 will find Executive Vice President Linda Dobb and Sara Bushong, head of the Curriculum Resource Center, at the Rayburn Office Building in Washington, D.C., for Library Day on the Hill.

“Our goal is to interact with members of Congress to show the value of libraries and of the different types of libraries,” Bushong said. “We hope to make them better informed about what libraries have to offer.

“We’ll be representing the Association of College and Research Libraries, the largest division of the American Library Association,” she added.

Their presentation, “Academic Librarians in Action,” will showcase a summer graduate class for K-12 teachers that was created three years ago by Bushong, who is also acting chair of archival collections and branches, and Colleen Boff, first-year experience librarian and acting chair of library teaching and learning. Titled Information Literacy for Teaching and Learning, the class trains regional cohorts of teachers to use Internet research databases, create Web-Quests and teach their students to use Internet resources.

Bushong, Dobb and two other library staff members are teaching the four sections of the course this summer.

Educating teachers in Web skills is a protection against the downsizing that too frequently happens today. “When resources are tight, librarians are often the first to go,” Bushong said. “If schools don’t have a librarian, or not enough librarians to serve all their students, at least teachers will have the skills they need.”

The BGSU class has been a success, she said; the number of course sections offered has doubled from the original two sections and now enrolls upwards of 60 students a summer. “It’s been very, very popular,” Bushong said.

While learning and practicing Internet skills, class members create learning activities and WebQuests usable by others. Boff and Bushong post their students' work on the University Libraries Web site, as well as on INFOhio, an information network for schools.

“We wanted the actual library skills to be embedded in the curriculum so they would be seamlessly connected to an essential question students have to answer,” Bushong said.

In addition to their display, Dobb and Bushong will offer handouts to passing legislators. “We want to emphasize the impact of libraries on people’s lives,” she explained.
IN BRIEF

Main campus undergoes brief steam outage

Main campus buildings are cooler than usual today and till midday tomorrow due to repair work that has necessitated shutting down the steam plant. The steam will be off today (Monday, June 4) and will restart tomorrow (Tuesday, June 5). It should be fully restored by midday Tuesday.

Call 2-7616 questions.

BGSU Outdoor Programs holds summer Venture Quest camp for youths

Youths ages 9-12 can learn basic outdoor skills as well as more advanced wilderness survival and orienteering this summer at Venture Quest, a weeklong, half-day, skill-based summer camp.

Hosted by the University’s Department of Recreational Sports and Division of Student Affairs, along with the Bowling Green Parks and Recreation Department, Venture Quest runs from 1-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday the weeks of June 11-15, 18-22 and 25-29, and July 9-13, 16-20 and 23-27. The cost is $65, with a limit of 16 participants per week.

Register at the front desk of Perry Field House the Monday before the first day of camp. For more information, contact Bryan J. Cavins, director of BGSU Outdoor Programs, at 2-2790 or bcavins@bgsu.edu.

Kids have fun, learn skills at BGSU Summer Kids Camps

The University’s Summer Kids Camps begin June 11. Campers participate in arts, crafts, sports, swimming and games. The camps are structured to emphasize children’s development and education while promoting a healthy lifestyle. Each week has a different theme, and campers will swim every day in the Student Recreation Center pools.

The camps’ focuses are: June 11-15, Learn to Skate; June 18-22, Learn to Play Golf; June 25-29, Learn to Climb; July 9-13, Learn to Play Golf; July 16-20, Learn to Swim, and July 23-27.

BGSU Summer Kids Camps are open to children from kindergarten to sixth grade. Camps run from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Before and after care is also available, from 7:30-8:30 a.m. and 4:30-5:30 p.m. daily for an additional $20 per week.

The cost of camp is $129 per week for full time and $89 per week for part time, which is defined as attendance for three days of the week. A 5 percent discount is applied after the first child for multiple children attending.

Camps will be held primarily at the Student Recreation Center, but will travel to several different BGSU facilities throughout the week.

Register at the front desk of the recreation center by the Monday prior to the first day of camp.

Camps are sponsored by the BGSU Department of Recreational Sports and the Division of Student Affairs. For more information, contact Micha Seither at 2-7482 or smicha@bgsu.edu.
CALENDAR

Monday, June 4
Sundaes on Mondays, free ice cream, noon-1 p.m., Falcon's Nest, Bowen-Thompson Student Union.
W. Heinlen Hall Lecture, "Microfabricated Fluidic Devices for Acquiring Chemical and Biochemical Information," by Dr. J. Michael Ramsey, Minnie N. Goldby Distinguished Professor of Chemistry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 3:30 p.m., 123 Overman Hall. Sponsored by the chemistry department.

Tuesday, June 5
W. Heinlen Hall Lecture, "High Throughput Single Cell Protein Analysis Using Microfabricated Fluidic Devices," by Dr. J. Michael Ramsey, 3:30 p.m., 123 Overman Hall. (See above.)

Wednesday, June 6
Grilling on the Green, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Union.
W. Heinlen Hall Lecture, "Nanofluidics: Fundamentals and Potential Applications," by Dr. J. Michael Ramsey, 3:30 p.m., 123 Overman Hall. (See above.)

Thursday, June 7
BG@100 Open Forum, 1:30-2:30 p.m., 315 Union.
W. Heinlen Hall Lecture, "The Mass Spectrometer in a Shirt Pocket," by Dr. J. Michael Ramsey, 1:30 p.m., 123 Overman Hall. (See above.)

Saturday, June 9
Sixth Annual Autism Summit of Northwest Ohio, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Union. The conference fee is $69 with CEUs, or $49 without CEUs. For more information or to register, visit http://pace.bgsu.edu or call Continuing & Extended Education at 2-8181.

Monday, June 11
Eight-Week Summer Term Begins.
First BGSU Firelands Five-Week Term Begins.
Bingo, noon-1 p.m., Falcon's Nest, Union.
Dissertation Defense, "Study Behavior of Nursing Students," by Lori Doll-Speck, higher education administration, 2 p.m., 444 Education Building.

Continuing Events
Through June 8
Art Exhibition, "In Closure: An Exhibition by Graduating BGSU Students," Union Galleries. Gallery hours follow building hours; check schedule.

Through July 11
Student Printmaking Exhibition, Little Gallery, BGSU Firelands. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

JOB POSTINGS

FACULTY

Canadian Studies. Associate or Full Professor as Director. Call Connie Allison, 2-2018. Deadline: June 15.

Marketing. Assistant Professor, Call Gregory Rich, 2-2041. Deadline: June 25.

Romance Languages. Instructor/Visiting Assistant Professor, Call Deborah Schocket, 2-2667. Deadline: June 25.


Labor Postings http://international.bgsu.edu/index.php?x=facinfohires

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/www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/BGSU_only/page11151.html

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/www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/cl_staff/page11145.html

ADMINISTRATIVE
/www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/adm_staff/page11137.html

OBITUARY

William Kirby, 76, a professor emeritus of mathematics and statistics, died May 23 in Bowling Green. He taught at the University from 1961-89.

Hazel Meeker, 79, died May 27 in Bowling Green. She worked as a secretary in several departments at BGSU from 1974-93.