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Campus marks $1 million savings through recycling

In a year of important dates—BGSU's centennial, the 40th anniversary of Earth Day—the University is also celebrating another milestone: It has saved more than $1 million over the past 15 years of its recycling program.

The savings are the sum of “cost avoidance,” or the money not spent on dumping material into the landfill, and the money earned by selling recycled commodities. “Over 15 years, we’ve earned more than $532,000,” said Duane Hamilton, director of campus services in facilities services.

Without recycling, BGSU would have had to pay to dump 13,500 tons of otherwise reusable materials. Plastic alone accounts for a large part of the overall volume—735 tons of it that have been kept out of area landfills. “When you think of how light plastic bottles are, that’s a lot,” Hamilton said.

“I just want to say a huge ‘thank you’ to those who recycle,” he said appreciatively. “Every time you do, you are actually helping the University.”

Campus Sustainability Coordinator Nicholas Hennessy agreed. Good campus sustainability practices also help make BGSU more appealing, he said. “A 2009 Princeton report showed that 66-70 percent of incoming students say green efforts are important in recruitment.”

Pointing out that the recycling program was begun by students and was one of the first university recycling projects in Ohio, Hennessy said, “Fifteen years is a pretty good stretch. Students saw a need and had the desire and the passion to make it happen.”

Today, the recycling program has become “operationalized,” Hamilton said, and though students still participate in the collection, “facilities staff do a huge amount of work.” Some have taken it to heart, and will remove recyclable paper from wastebaskets and deposit it in the recycling bins instead, he noted.

Over the last 15 years, the recycling picture has changed quite a bit. “The streams have gotten a lot wider,” Hamilton said. BGSU is now able to recycle aluminum, cardboard, office paper and other types of paper, posters, phone books, insulation, fiberboard, ceiling tiles, pasteboard such as cereal boxes and more. He encourages everyone to read the labels on campus recycling bins for guidance.

This spring, some of the University’s mowers will be running on used cooking oil from the dining halls. Putting materials to new uses is a hallmark of the “Reduce, reuse, recycle” mantra and fits in perfectly with BGSU’s sustainability goals, Hennessy said.

BGSU was one of the first campuses to participate in RecycleMania, a national competition among students for the highest poundage of recycling from residence halls. From about nine original competitors, it has grown to dozens across the country, and Bowling Green continues to do well. In the seventh week of this year’s competition, BGSU was second in the state to Ohio University in the bottles and cans in residence halls category, and in the top 10 nationally, Hennessy said.

Nevertheless, Hamilton and Hennessy see great room for improvement. They estimate that about 20 to 30 percent more could be recycled on campus. “Participation is everything,” Hamilton said. “Every can counts.”
Omicron Delta Kappa welcomes new members

Ned E. Baker, a 1950 BGSU graduate, nationally recognized health expert and Bowling Green resident, was among 30 University faculty, administrators and students inducted into BGSU's Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK) April 16.

The initiation ceremony for one of the nation's oldest and most prestigious leadership honor societies was held in Prout Chapel.

Also inducted were Dr. Robert McKay, the Ryan Professor of biological sciences; Dolores Black, an associate professor emeritus in the School of Human Movement, Sport and Leisure Studies; Catherine Cardwell, interim vice provost for academic programs; Kimberly McBroom, chief communications officer, and Dr. Mary Ann Begley, interim associate dean of students.

In addition, two dozen students were inducted. All are juniors, seniors or graduate students. They were selected for membership based on academic achievement and demonstrated excellence and leadership in one or more of five categories: athletics; campus and community service, social and religious activities and campus government; journalism, speech and mass media; creative and performing arts, and scholarship.

While serving as program director of the Area Health Education Center at the Medical College of Ohio in Toledo, Baker was instrumental in the founding of the National Association of Local Boards of Health and served as that organization's first president and first executive director from 1993 until his retirement in 1998. He is now an adjunct professor in the College of Health and Human Services. Recognized as a national expert on public and environmental health, Baker was awarded an honorary doctor of science degree from Bowling Green in 2009.

McKay joined the Bowling Green faculty in 1997 and was awarded a prestigious Outstanding Young Scholar Award by the University in 2001. The recipient of more than two dozen state and national research grants, his research interests center on the ecology and environmental health of Lake Erie. He is the author or co-author of more than 55 journal articles and has made more than 50 presentations at state, national and international academic conferences and seminars.

After earning a master's degree from BGSU, Black taught physical education, English and art for seven years in several Wood County schools before returning to the University in 1963 as an associate professor. During her tenure here, she was honored by the College of Education with its Outstanding Alumna Award, Research Award and Professional Service Award. She retired in 1993. In addition to her teaching duties, Black became involved in a number of community activities, including spearheading the development and growth of the area Special Olympics program. Among other recognitions of her efforts, the gymnasium in the city's Community Center was named the Dolores A. Black Special Olympics Gymnasium.

Cardwell joined the University staff in 1998. She served as an associate professor and chair of the Library Teaching and Learning Program before accepting her current position in January 2009. She is a member of the editorial boards of both the International Journal of eLiteracy and the Library Review.

McBroom, who is also director of marketing and communications, directs a staff of 17 and is responsible for all of the marketing, media relations, communications, photography and graphic design produced by the University. Before coming to the University in 1999, she was the external relations manager for Sunoco MidAmerica in Toledo.

Begley, who is completing her doctoral degree at BGSU, served as an associate director of residence life before accepting her current position this January. She is responsible for the coordination and management of all student activities and programs within the Office of Campus Activities. She is past president of the Ohio Association of Student Personnel Administrators.

ODK was founded in 1914 at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va. It was the first
Business students among best in U.S. and the world

Students in the College of Business continue to excel both nationally and internationally.

The student chapter of the American Marketing Association recently took home national awards from a convention in New Orleans, putting the chapter among the top 4 percent in the world. This improves on last year's ranking, which placed it among the top 8 percent of chapters globally.

In other news from the college, for the third year in a row, a BGSU student has been selected for the prestigious R. Gene Richter Scholarship, which honors the nation’s top supply-chain-management students. Kandice Saum, a senior from Russia, Ohio, is currently an intern at Honda.

'Spoon River Anthology' onstage at BGSU Firelands

"Spoon River Anthology," one of America's most beloved literary works, will come to life on the BGSU Firelands stage this week.

Adapted for the stage by Charles Aidman from poet Edgar Lee Masters' masterpiece, it comes vigorously alive with song and dance as it tells the poignant and lusty stories of 66 former inhabitants of Spoon River, a mythical community in central Illinois in the latter 19th century. Dr. Frank Glann, director of the BGSU Firelands theatre program, will direct the production.

Performances will be at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday (April 22, 23 and 24) and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday (April 25) in McBride Auditorium at BGSU Firelands.

The box office opens at 1 p.m. today (April 19) and will be open daily from 1-7 p.m. Regular admission is $9 for adults, $7 for senior citizens, $5 for children and students, and $4 for BGSU Firelands students. The group rate for 15 or more is $7 per person. Call 2-0747 to reserve tickets.

Gouttierre to discuss Pakistan’s role in Afghanistan war

Afghanistan expert and BGSU alumnus Thomas Gouttierre will speak on “The Role of Pakistan in the War on Afghanistan” at 7 p.m. Thursday (April 22) in 114 Business Administration Building. His talk is hosted by International Studies.

Before becoming dean of International Studies and Programs at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, Gouttierre lived and worked for almost 10 years in Afghanistan. While there, he served as a Peace Corps Volunteer, a Fulbright Fellow and executive director of the Fulbright Foundation. He also coached the Afghan National Basketball Team.

The U.S. Department of State then tapped him to serve as senior political affairs officer on the United Nations Peacekeeping Mission to Afghanistan in 1996 and 1997. He has served on several international committees related to Afghanistan refugees and related issues.

He has testified on Afghanistan-related topics and human rights before many different bodies, including the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, committees of the British
Parliament and French National Assembly, and the U.N. Select Committee on Human Rights. He has also conducted orientation programs for U.S. military forces assigned to Afghanistan, and is regularly called upon for his expertise. In the first 10 months after 9/11, he did more than 2,000 presentations and interviews. He has also been instrumental in garnering humanitarian and educational aid to post-war Afghanistan.

Gouttierre speaks, reads and writes Afghan Persian (Dari), Iranian Persian (Farsi) and Tajikistani Persian. His publications include numerous articles about Afghanistan society, culture and politics. He was the project director for the development of the 23,000-word Dari-English Dictionary.

In 2001 he was awarded an honorary doctorate of international relations from BGSU, and in 2005 was named a Distinguished Alumnus. Also added to Gouttierre's list of accomplishments is master baker. As a student attending BGSU, he worked full time at his family's bakery in downtown Maumee.

IN BRIEF

NPR plays rare piece from Sound Recordings Archives

BGSU's Music Library and Sound Recordings Archives was credited on the National Public Radio morning broadcast April 11 in an interview with singer and conductor Bobby McFerrin. His father, operatic baritone Robert McFerrin, was the first African-American soloist with the Metropolitan Opera. He also made a recording called "Deep River." The BGSU Music Library and Sound Recordings Archives has a copy of this extremely rare recording.

To listen, visit http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=125725036

File software requests now

Through 5 p.m. April 28, faculty, including chairs and directors, may submit software requests online to the Academic Software Advisory Committee (ASAC).

The ASAC Web page is at www.bgsu.edu/offices/cio/software_request/index.html

On it, you will find details regarding the project timeline, application process, application form, review criteria and a listing of ASAC committee members.

The ASAC application process may be used to request new software or additional licenses for existing software. Any requests for upgrades to existing applications previously installed on campus computers may be processed using the Instructional Software Request Form available at www.bgsu.edu/its/tsc/page9484.html.

Contact the Technology Support Center at 2-0999, tsc@bgsu.edu with questions.

Discount tickets offered to Toledo Opera

The Toledo Opera is offering faculty and staff a 30 percent discount on tickets to Donizetti's "The Love Potion (L'elisir d'amore)," the final performance of this season. The cast includes stars from the Metropolitan Opera, New York City Opera and Chicago Lyric Opera.

Tickets are available for May 1, 7 or 9. Call Toledo Opera at 419-255-7464, ext. 1, by April 23 and ask for Sue Dessner, box office manager, to reserve your ticket(s).

Toledo Opera productions are performed with English translations projected above the stage.
CALENDAR

Monday, April 19


Concert, Steel Drum Ensemble, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Center for Teaching and Learning Workshops, "Best Practices for Students with Disabilities," 2:30-3:30 p.m., 201 University Hall, register online at www.bgsu.edu/ctl/page10718.html.

Visiting Artist Talk, Edra Soto discusses her installation piece, "The Chacon Soto Show," about the flamboyant Puerto Rican entertainer Iris Chacon, 5 p.m., 1101 Fine Arts Center.

Annual Buchanan Lecture, "Biofuels and Bioenergy: Burning Questions," with Dr. Robert Tabita, Ohio Eminent Scholar and professor of microbiology at Ohio State University, 7-8:30 p.m., 206 Bowen-Thompson Student Union. Hosted by the biological sciences department.

Tuesday, April 20

Center for Teaching and Learning Workshops, "Using CPR for Writing Assignments in Large Classes," 10-11 a.m., "Pragmatic Practices for Teaching Assistants," 1-2 p.m., 201 University Hall, register online at www.bgsu.edu/ctl/page10718.html.

Biology Seminar, "One Enzyme; Three Distinct Metabolisms," with Dr. Robert Tabita, Ohio Eminent Scholar and professor of microbiology at Ohio State University, 2:30 p.m., 112 Life Science Building.

Baseball vs. University of Dayton, 3 p.m., Stellar Field.

Jazz Concert, Jazz Lab Band II, directed by Jeff Halsey, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Wednesday, April 21

Classified Staff Council, 10 a.m. to noon, 136 Perry Field House.

Brown Bag Series, "Obesity in Women: Genetics or Diet?" presented by Dr. Sonia Najjar, Center for Diabetes and Endocrine Research, University of Toledo, noon-1 p.m., Women's Center, 107 Hanna Hall.

Center for Teaching and Learning Workshop, "The Socratic Method in the Classroom," 1:30-2:30 p.m., 201 University Hall, register online at www.bgsu.edu/ctl/page10718.html.

Baseball vs. Western Michigan University, 3 p.m., Stellar Field.


Center for Photochemical Sciences Lecture Series, "Chemistry 100: A Centennial History of Chemistry at Bowling Green State University," with Professor Emeritus George Clemens, 3:30-5 p.m., 123 Overman Hall.

Concert, Percussion Ensemble, directed by Roger Schupp, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Thursday, April 22

Center for Teaching and Learning Workshop, "Principles for Good Practice," 9-10 a.m., 201 University Hall, register online at www.bgsu.edu/ctl/page10718.html.

Classified Staff Council Spring Reception, 9:30 a.m., 101 Olscamp Hall. Presentation of Outstanding Service and Team awards.

Earth Day Eco-Fair, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Union Oval. Displays and presentations on green and environmental issues, community bike share.

BGSU Firelands Earth Day Celebration, 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., the Pit, sponsored by Erie County Solid Waste, Science and Environment Club and Student Government.

Earth Day Presentation, "The Greening of BGSU," with representatives from BGSU, the city of Bowling Green and local business, 7 p.m., Union Theater.

Alumnus Talk, "The Role of Pakistan on the War in Afghanistan," by Dr. Thomas Goutiere, dean of International Studies and Programs, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 7 p.m., 114 Business Administration Building. Hosted by International Studies.

BFA Reading, featuring work by Jason Carnahan, Elizabeth Stempak, and Heidi Stewart, 7:30 p.m., Prout Chapel.

World Percussion Night Concert, Taiko, Gamelan and Afro-Caribbean ensembles, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Friday, April 23

Sebo Series in Entrepreneurship, "Trends: Capitalizing on the Next Big Thing," 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Lenhart Grand Ballroom, Union. Call 2-8181 to register.
Center for Teaching and Learning Workshop, "Active Learning and Problem-based Learning Strategies," 10-11 a.m., 201 University Hall, register online at www.bgsu.edu/ctl/page10718.html.

Women's Tennis vs. Akron, 1 p.m., Keefe Courts.

Master Class, with tenor Jon Fredric West, BGSU alumnus, 2:30 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

MFA Thesis Exhibition II Opening, reception from 7-9 p.m., Dorothy Uber Bryan and William Wankelman galleries, Fine Arts Center.

Choral Concert, A Cappella Choir and Collegiate Choir, directed by Timothy Cloter and Sandra Frey Stegman, respectively, works by Byrd, Stanford, Bach and Barber, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Saturday, April 24

Renaissance Festival, Collegiate Chorale, conducted by Sandra Frey Stegman, 11 a.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center, $2 suggested donation.

Women's Tennis vs. Buffalo, 1 p.m., Keefe Courts.

Guest Artists, dal niente ensemble, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Sunday, April 25

Sunday Matinees, "Comedy Classics and Musical Moments," presented by Dr. Ben Urish, School of Broadcast and Cinematic Arts, Central Michigan University, and graduate of BGSU's American Culture Studies program, 3 p.m., Gish Film Theater, Hanna Hall.

Concert, Bowling Green Philharmonia, conducted by Emily Freeman Brown, includes Claude Debussy's "La Mer" and Igor Stravinsky's "The Rite of Spring," 3 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Tickets are $7 for students and $10 for other adults, $10 and $13, respectively, on day of concert. Call 2-8171 to purchase.

Planetarium Show, "I Paint the Sky," 7:30 p.m., BGSU Planetarium. $1 donation is suggested.

Monday, April 26


Center for Teaching and Learning Workshop, "Learning 2.0 with 2.0 Web Tools," 3-4 p.m., 201 University Hall, register online at www.bgsu.edu/ctl/page10718.html.

Continuing Events

Through April 20

MFA Thesis Exhibition I, featuring prints by Molly Allen, digital art by Andreas Baumgartner and Kuang Chen Hsu, paintings by Austin Cartwright and sculpture by Julia Rogers, Dorothy Uber Bryan and William Wankelman galleries, Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 6-9 p.m. Thursdays, and 1-4 p.m. Sundays.

April 20 and 23

Planetarium Show, "Navigating with Lewis and Clark," 8 p.m., BGSU Planetarium. $1 donation is suggested.

April 22-25

BGSU Firelands Theatre Production, "Spoon River Anthology." Performances at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday (April 22-24) and 2:30 p.m. Sunday (April 25), McBride Auditorium, BGSU Firelands. Tickets are $4 for BGSU students, faculty and staff; $9 for other adults; $5 for schoolchildren, and $7 for senior citizens and groups of 15 or more. For reservations, call 2-0747.

Through April 23

Annual Student Exhibitions, Little Gallery, BGSU Firelands. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

April 25 and 25

Planetarium Show, "The Little Star That Could," kids show, 2 p.m., BGSU Planetarium. $1 donation suggested.

Through May 1

Art Exhibit, "BGSU Centennial," Union Art Gallery. Gallery hours are 8 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sundays.

Through May 4

MFA Thesis Exhibition II, Dorothy Uber Bryan and William Wankelman galleries, Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 6-9 p.m. Thursdays, and 1-4 p.m. Sundays.
JOB POSTINGS

FACULTY

Communication. Instructor (two positions). Call the department, 2-8725. Deadline: April 30 and May 7, respectively.


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

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 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

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

Off-campus classified:
http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/cl_staff/page11145.html

ADMINISTRATIVE

http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/adm_staff/page11137.html

OBITUARY

There were no obituaries this week.