Student recognized for hobby

National Library publishes poem written by BG performance major

China pursues deal with Iran

Mayoral hopeful emphasizes city's planning strategy
Conservatives stymie selves

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College selects "Alum of the Year"

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American, British, and Russian forensic scientists have been studying the dental records from the 1991 excavation. They are confident that the remains are those of the czar.

**Four killed, 33 injured in explosion**

**GRANDE, Poland -** An explosion destroyed the three bottom stories of an apartment building in the Baltic seaport of Gdansk. Four people were killed and 33 were injured in the blast.

**WASHINGTON, Pa. - They called to the scene.** The bride was in a hospital emergency room, the groom was In jail and the mother of the bride was on her way to an ambulance.

**They Said It**

"It is inhumane to deface a person."

-Unidentified inmate, Broad River Correctional Institution

**New on...**

**THURSDAYS**

"Absolutely 80's" with a new twist
Survey targets downtown
Committee seeks aesthetic, economic improvement

Shane A. Turno
The BG News
Main Street Bowling Green
Once home to a starring department store and a array of specialty shops, Main Street downtown was affected by the newer dis- trict downtown stores located on the out-
skirts of town.

The Heritage 2000 Committee recently examined ways the downtown business area could be improved aesthetically and eco-
nomically.

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Grant Pavillion
The BC News
University students donated canned goods to a food drive benefiting the Christian Food Interfraternity Council and Pan-
dents through a variety of events.

"This food drive was a huge success," said Amie Struble, Panhel community service chairwoman. The food drive will run until May 5.

Greek system were happy with the food drive, said Matt Vigdor, Alter Gamma. The drive was started to help the Christian Food Interfraternity Council.

"We're commemorating the 25th anniversary of Earth Day on April 22nd by making a point," Vigdor said. "We're making 100 people live like we do in the United States, we would need three planet Earths.

"Veena is too hot, Mars is too cold and neither have water so it can't be sustained," she added.

American, who make up about 10 percent of the total popula-
tion, consume 50 percent of the nation's resources.

"We have to turn this around," said Gortensaid. "Our global future depends on sus-
cient development because of pollution.

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"This is an important event all students

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Student groups devote week to showing other sides of issues

Amy Johnson
The BC News
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COUNCIL

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City Councilman Wes Hoffman disputed Young's allegations that people in the city want rapid growth and change.

"People want a university community with atmosphere and character," Hoffman said. "I envision a city that retains a small-town flavor; people don't want to see change too rapidly.

"I get the impression that Mr. Young is rebuked for growth at all costs. I think he has an obsession with this growth business. Managing a city is more than growth."

Council members disputed various aspects of Young's plans for Bowling Green. After a half hour of Young's comments, the second act of SimCity began.

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**Officials discuss tuition cap**

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Eyewear maker plans to buy shoe producer

The Associated Press

**CINCINNATI** — Luxottica Group S.P.A. plans a $6.4 billion purchase of United States Shoe Co., an arrangement with U.S. Shoe's deal to sell its footwear business, lawmakers and analysts expect Monday.

The Italian eyewear maker and U.S. Shoe said Sunday they had reached agreement in principle for the Italian company to buy U.S. Shoe for $28 in cash per share.

That was an increase from the $26 per share, $1.1 billion, offer that Luxottica made March 3 directly to U.S. Shoe shareholders, which U.S. Shoe's board had criticized as inadequate. The new deal is still subject to approval by U.S. Shoe's workers, the company's board of directors and the boards of other companies.

U.S. Shoe shareholders were to vote Friday on Luxottica's offer, but the meeting may not be held.

"We're satisfied," Weyerhaeuser said. His company controls about 40,000 acres of U.S. Shoe's 43 million acres of timberland.

"I think universities ought to be able to make their own commitments," Weyerhaeuser said.

"It's a very complex question which comes together," Hairston said in an interview.

"All you have to do is make

**Gay rights group to request change in Toledo charter**

The Associated Press

TOLEDO — A gay rights group said Monday it will ask City Council to amend the city charter to ban discrimination against homosexuals. At an extraordinary meeting last week, the council voted 4-3 to ban discrimination against homosexuals.

"Right now, we are able to be discriminated against in housing and employment," said Steve Swift, executive director of Gay4U.

The city has not been tolerant of gays. But we're going to change that," Swift said.

He said his group would contact Mayor Cary Flinkbeiner and others within the next few weeks.

"We are going to make sure that we get the word 'sexual orientation' into the city's law," Swift said.

"We may not get it passed this year, but we're going to try. It's a long-term project. We're not going to go away," she said.

Swift made his comments while discussing the groups' plans for organizing the city's first Gay Pride Day on June 23, an event she claims is the city's support.

But Hiram Sachs, the mayor's spokesman, said Monday that Flink- beiner has not decided whether to sponsor the proclamation.

"The mayor hasn't had any direct contact with this group. But when and if they do make direct contact, he will review their request. ... He's certainly open in hearing their opinions," Sachs said.

The Toledo gathering will coincide with National Gay Pride Day, which is celebrated in various cities.

"The coalition is honored to have taken the first leap in organizing this significant event," Swift said.

He said the Toledo event, which includes a picnic in International Park on the east side and the Mainwater River, will begin "in a new era of civil rights for gay and lesbian citizens.

Bobbi McTeer, the Toledo chapter president of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, said each Ohio city is needed.

"Any two gay ones and I have waited years to finally march in our hometown," she said.
Nations 

Leaders discuss renewal, cancellation*

UNITED NATIONS — The world's nations Monday opened a month-long debate over renewing the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, the flawed but vital centerpiece of global arms control.

The United States and other nuclear powers want an indefinite and unconditional extension of the 20-year-old treaty, designed to block the spread of nuclear arms.

But some in the Third World prefer periodic short-term extensions, to ensure progress toward general nuclear disarmament.

Opening the conference, Secre-
tary-General Boutros Boutros-
Ghali underscored the issue's technical and legal dimensions, but urged the nuclear powers to move toward eventual elimination of nuclear arms.

"The more testing, the more production...Reduction and aban-
donation of all nuclear weapons and the means to make them should be humanity's greatest common cause," the U.N. chief declared in the prepared text of his address.

The nuclear-weapons states are progressing slowly toward comprehensive testing moratoriums and bomb inspections. But some states also called on the nuclear powers to strengthen the United Nations' ability to interpret non-nuclear weapons tests that they will not be sub-
ject to nuclear attack.

The first day's agenda also included addresses by Secretary of State Warren Christopher and by Hans Blix, head of the Interna-
tional Atomic Energy Agency, which administers the treaty.

The IAEA is taking steps to tighten its inspection regime for deterring clandestine nuclear-weapons programs. The weakness of that regime, seen in Iraq's near-successful effort to build an atomic bomb, has been a principal flaw in the Non-Proliferation Treaty system.

The 1970 pact struck a historic bargain among the world's na-
cions to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons beyond the five powers that acknowledged having them — the United States, Russia, Britain, France and China. In exchange, the five agreed to work toward eliminating all arms.

The treaty also guaranteed na-
tional the right to develop peaceful nuclear technology under control.

The treaty is crucial in leas-
ing the likelihood of a nuclear-free world. But the failures are well-known: These nations that did not sign it — Is-
rael, India and Pakistan — have developed nuclear-weapons cap-
ability. Two that did sign — Iran and North Korea — are suspected of having tried to build such devices or for a fixed period of time.

Courts of appeals overturns GM's settlement deal

Jeffrey Pfeffer
The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — A federal appeals court Monday overruled General Motors Corp. in a case under which owners of allegedly five-year-old General Motors Corp. pickups would get $5,000,000 companies toward new GM trucks.

The 3d U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed with opponents of the settlement that GM was guilty of a "brazenly wrongful" marketing program to sell more GM trucks.

The court also said the $5,000,000 pickup would be worthli-
ties to certain groups of rent-
tal companies and "less serious" truck owners who never purchased new GM trucks.

The case involved the "hid-
side" fuel tanks in trucks GMC put on trucks from 1977 to 1980. Last fall, Transportation Secre-
tary Federico Peña said the trucks were prone to catch in fires on 11,000 or 11,130 of the trucks.

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Reverse discrimination charges hold

WASHINGTON - With affirmative action under fresh scrutiny, the Supreme Court on Monday left intact two court victories that an affirmative action plan in Birmingham, Ala., unlawfully discriminated against whites.

And the justices let stand a ruling stemming from the 1983 downing of wildlife habitats on private property, including, logging in forests inhabited by the northern spotted owl.

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And the high court is expected to announce a major decision by July on whether affirmative action plan that offers special help to minority-owned small businesses.

In other matters Monday, the court:

- Heard arguments in an important environmental case over whether the law bans destruction of wildlife habitats on private property, including, logging in forests inhabited by the northern spotted owl.

- Agreed to use a fossil fuel emission from the 1962 downing of a Korean airliner over the Soviet Union to clarify what damages Russian citizens can sue for.

- And the justices let stand a ruling that an affirmative action plan in Birmingham, Ala., unlawfully discriminated against whites.

But Monday's action leaves open growing debate in all three branches of government over whether affirmative action still is needed to overcome the effects of past discrimination.

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Women's tennis doubles up

Mark Leonard DeSantini

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Women getting their shot

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — More than two decades after more athletic opportunities were mandated for college females, some men's sports are being cut and women's programs are expanding, fueled in part by Title IX.

The Plain Dealer surveyed 21 Division I and Division II universities in Ohio and three Cleveland, Va., Division III schools.

All reported that they were working to comply with the federal law, but several were approaching it more as a necessity than a priority.

"We're all trying to hit a moving target," said Randy Gregor, Ohio State athletics director.

"The challenge for us is to meet the needs and growing interests of women without diminishing the men's programs simultaneously," he said.

Ohio State reported that 33 percent of its non-athletic majors are female. The mandate, known as Title IX, was passed in 1972. It's purpose was to improve women's chances of participating in collegiate athletics.

To meet the goals of Title IX, athletic administrators at the various universities have increased the number of female athletes by allowing women's sports. Others have elected to cut men's sports or decrease the opportunities for men.

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"I'm real happy with our performance. The guys were really focused and they (EMU) didn't really pass us too much," head coach Dave Martin said. "As close as they come in a match was 6-4.

"But they do have a good No.1 singles man and a good No.2 doubles team.

"Going into the match, the team was looking for production from the top of the lineup and received just that.

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Cincinnati signs Santiago

Jim Kay The Associated Press

PLANT CITY, Fla. — The Cincinnati Reds, already a front-runner in the NL Central, think they've improved their team significantly Monday by agreeing to a one-year contract with Barry Santiago.

Santiago, 30, is considered one of the best throwing catchers behind the plate until this month, although he played some more winter ball as a DH.

"It's not 100 percent because I haven't caught since seven months ago," Alomar said. "This is the first time I've squatted down, this spring training. I'm getting through it slowly and I'm able to squat down. As it gets stronger, I'll be able to do that, I just have to take care of it so I don't strike it. I'm able to start the season healthy."
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Schourek saves year with Reds

The Associated Press

PLANT CITY, Fla. — Pete Schourek, dependable starter, sounds strong, healthy.

Just a year ago, he was flailing about trying to save a little elbow. Now he sounds as if he could be ineffectual that the New York Mets put him on waivers — let him go for nothing. That's usually the time to start writing the epitaph.

"I don't know if I'd go so far as saying I was my own way out, but I was on my way down," Schourek said. "Instead of getting better the more time I had in the major leagues, my records were actually getting worse."

A year later, he's an important figure in the Cincinnati Reds' pitching plans. He finished last season 7-2 - the third-highest victory total in the majors — and has a good chance of staying in the rotation.

How did this happen? It's a bit of a mystery — something to do with his mechanics and a huge blow in his confidence. Schourek, 25, got a second left to baseball after the Reds claimed him off waivers last April, put him in the bullpen and started working on his delivery. They eliminated some flaws, waktuled his fastball re- gime some bite, and eventually moved him into the rotation as his confidence climbed along with his velocity.

By the end of the season, the left hander was one of their most dependable starters, blowing the ball past hitters.

"I threw like that in High school," said Schourek, an all-state player in Virginia, "I was very aggressive. I threw all my pitches hard as I could and I really didn't worry about the results because I had the confidence to do that."

"As I was coming up in the major leagues, I wasn't getting away with anything. I think maybe what happened was I took a little off to get a little better location, and it backfired on me. One thing I did learn: I learned how to pitch in trouble, that's for sure.

The numbers underscore the trouble he's seen since he made it to the major leagues in 1991. He had a 2.27 ERA that year in 33 games, a 2.84 ERA a year later in 21 starts and one relief appearance.

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