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New BGSURA Board faces

MEMBERS of the BGSU Retirees Association elected two new officers, chose three new Board members, and returned four board members in an annual election in May.

Elected BGSURA Vice President for a two-year term (until 2014) was Patrick "Fitz" Fitzgerald, retired general manager of WBGU-TV.



• *Fitzgerald*

Elected Secretary for two years was Carol Sanner, Alumni and Development.



• *Sanner*

New Board members include Charlie Applebaum, Math and Statistics; Pat Koehler, WBGU-TV; and Jan Peterson, Continuing and Extended Education. Re-elected Board members are Jim Corbitt, Joan Gordon and Sue Hager. Names of all Board members are in the Masthead, page 3.



• *Applebaum*

The bylaws changes on the ballot were approved (see May Newsletter for details).



• *Koehler*

The BGSURA Board will meet Tuesday, July 10, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 2, College Park Bldg. □



• *Peterson*



• *DR. BRUCE MOSS*

He's leader of the Zoo band Sunday

THE Director of Band Activities at Bowling Green State University, Dr. Bruce Moss, who also is Professor of Music Education, will conduct the Toledo Concert Band Sunday, July 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the first of a series of free public concerts this summer in the Zoo Amphitheatre. The theme of the July 8 concert is "Old, New, Borrowed, and Red, White, Blue!" Highlights include marches by Sousa, a guest appearance by Sam Szor (former long-time Music Under the Stars conductor) and arrangements new to Music Under the Stars audiences. The July 8 concert sponsor is Taylor Cadillac.

Headline sponsor is Mercy health-care system. Others include The Andersons, Toledo Community Foundation, Huntington Bank, and the Toledo Zoo. The Toledo Symphony manages this series.

Conductor for the final concert Aug. 12 will be BGSU's Kenneth Thompson, Associate Professor of Music Education. Other conductors will be from the University of Toledo, University of Michigan and Michigan State.

TARTA will run shuttles for the concert series for \$1 per person each way. Shuttle locations include: Perrysburg - River Place Shopping Center at the stop sign near Churchill's Market; Sylvania - Centennial Terrace main parking lot; Maumee - St. Luke's Hospital at 5901 Monclova Road; and Waterville - Kroger located at 8730 Waterville-Swanton Rd. Departure time at each stop is 6:30 p.m. Return is 20 minutes after the concert.



PRIOR to his appointment at BGSU in 1994, Prof. Moss held similar positions at Eastern Illinois University and St. Cloud State University. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from University of Illinois and his Ph.D. from Ohio State University.

In the summer months, Prof. Moss has served for 33 years as music director of the Wheaton Municipal Band in Illinois, a professional ensemble regarded as one of the finest of its kind. Under the guidance of Dr. Moss, the Wheaton Band was selected to be featured with Charles Kuralt (*CBS Sunday Morning*) and the United States Marine Band in the PBS documentary, *If You Knew Sousa*. It was produced by WGBH-TV Boston as part of the American Experience series. □

PASSINGS

■ DENNIS M. BROWN, 52, of Bowling Green, formerly of Defiance, died suddenly June 15. He had worked as a food service receiver at BGSU. He was a past commander of Bowling Green AMVETS Post 711.

■ AMELIA B. "PEG" COLLINS, of Rudolph, died May 17. She was 82. She retired from BGSU March 1, 1973, after 25 years of service. Previously she worked for D.S. Brown Co., North Baltimore, and Urschel Engineering, Bowling Green.

■ MARIAN "JEAN" FLOWERS, 85, of Findlay, died June 12 at Fairhaven Nursing Home, Sidney. At one time she worked for the BGSU Biology Dept. She was president of the Bowling Green Women's Club from 1978-1980.



■ JOSEPHINE HIBBELN, 77, formerly of Bowling Green, who was a certified nurse practitioner, died June 19 of pancreatic cancer in her Ogden, Utah, home. An associate professor of nursing science at the University of Toledo until she retired five years ago, she also had taught at the Wood County School of Practical Nursing and at Owens Community College.



Her husband, H. Kenneth Hibbeln, was an associate professor emeritus of political science at BGSU, teaching for 20 years before retiring in 1998. During the Vietnam War, Prof. Hebbeln was a navigator in the Navy, often aboard C-130 cargo planes transporting supplies from the United States to Saigon.

Afterward, he worked for United Airlines for more than three years, but the firm developed a navigational system aboard planes, which put human navigators out of work. He returned to school and earned a master's degree and the Ph.D. from the University of California at Santa Barbara. He died in 2007 at Ohio Veterans Home, Sandusky, from complications from Parkinson's disease.

■ GERALD L. HISER, 78, died June 14 at his Pemberville home. He was a mechanic at BGSU for more than 20 years, retiring in 1993.



■ KURT HOFMEISTER, 50, died June 23, at Mercy St. Vincent Medical Center in Toledo. *The BG News* said cause of death was a heart attack. Since 2006, Hofmeister taught construction technology full time at BGSU and was recently promoted to the rank of lecturer. He was the construction faculty member incoming freshmen got to know first. He was best known for his service learning projects, in which students learned technical skills while giving back to the community by building such Bowling Green projects as a boardwalk in Wintergarden Park, a gazebo in Simpson Park and Habitat for Humanity projects at numerous locations.



■ VIOLA KONZEN, of Pemberville, died April 12 at Stein Hospice, Sandusky. She was 102. For 15 years, she was a dormitory housekeeper at BGSU. As a teenager living on Pelee Island, she played the piano for silent movies.

■ ESTHER D. KRABILL, 97, of Bowling Green, died May 14 in Toledo. She was a retired math teacher for Bowling Green City Schools and for Bowling Green State University. She had lived in Swan Creek Retirement Village with her husband, Dr. David M. Krabill, BGSU Professor Emeritus of Mathematics and Statistics and Computer Science. Both Dr. and Mrs. Krabill were members of Phi Beta Kappa.



Dr. Krabill, commissioned an officer in the U.S. Naval Reserve, was a mathematics faculty member at the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, 1945-1946, and then joined the mathematics faculty at BGSU. He retired in 1980 and moved to Swan Creek Retirement Village in 1992. He died in 2003. Dr. and Mrs.

Krabill were active members of First United Methodist Church in Bowling Green. Dr. Krabill was chairman of the Building Committee for construction of the new church sanctuary. Mrs. Krabill also was active in Wood County Hospital Wheeled Meals and the Hospital Guild.

■ EDELBERT "BERT" KEUBECK, a Bowling Green physician described by *The Blade* as "a city fixture for 30 years," died May 10 in Wood County Hospital of pancreatic cancer. He was 61. Dr. Kuebeck was born in Germany and came with his parents to the United States when he was 6 to settle in Wauseon. Dr. Kuebeck, arrived in Bowling Green in 1982 to join the practice of the late Dr. Donald Gamble. First aspiring to be a priest, he was a 1979 graduate of Ohio State University's medical school. Dr. Kuebeck was the son-in-law of former U.S. Rep. Delbert Latta (R. Bowling Green) and married Rose Ellen Latta in 1980. Dr. Kuebeck was a longtime trustee of Wood County Hospital and had been board chairman.

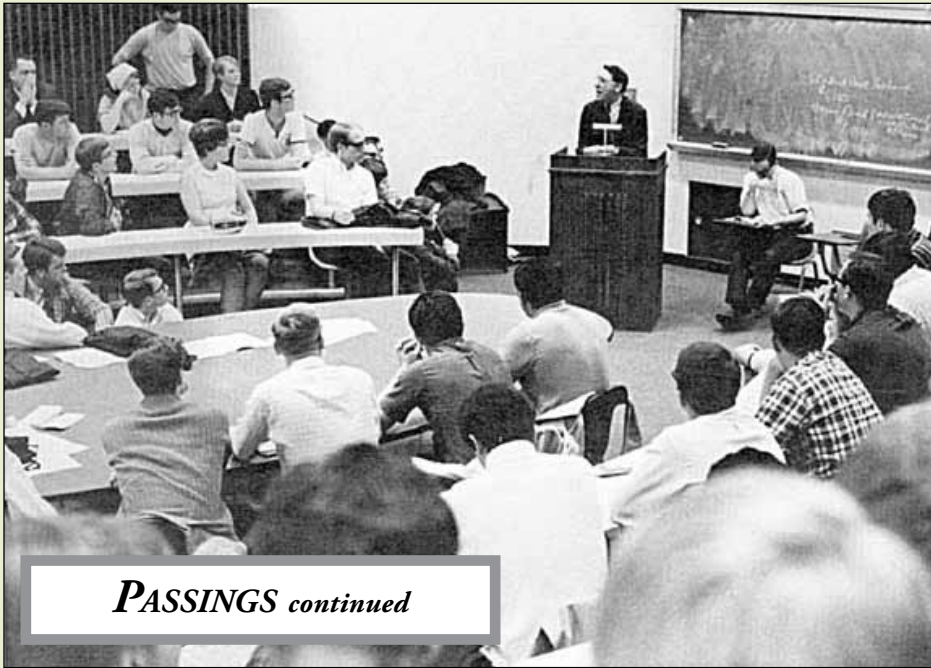


■ LUKE STANTON NACHBAR, 46, a graduate of Bowling Green High School and BGSU (1984), died of cancer May 3 in Carmel, Calif. Luke grew up in Portage, Ohio, the son of Jack and Lynn Nachbar. Dr. Jack Nachbar, a BGSU professor emeritus of popular culture, retired in 1997.

■ ELLEN OBEE, of Bowling Green, died June 3. She was 95. Growing up near Blissfield, Mich., she majored in French and English at Adrian College, where she met her husband-to-be, Harold Obee. Dr. Obee was professor of speech at Bowling Green State University from 1949 until his retirement in 1978. He died in 1989. He served as play director, theater technical director, and business manager of the BGSU theater program. Dr. Obee also directed productions at the Huron Playhouse for the University's summer theater program.



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THE KEY, 1968

• **BGSU, APRIL 1968** – Dr. William O. Reichert at a discussion during Vietnam Week, a program of debates, movies and speeches co-sponsored by Students for a Democratic Society and the Student Body Organization.

■ **DORIS BOWLES REICHERT**, of Hanover, N.H., died April 16 at the age of 86. She was married to William Reichert, professor emeritus of political science, who died in 2002 at age 83 in Hanover, N.H. Dr. Reichert taught at BGSU from 1968-84 and retired as department chair.



Mrs. Reichert's obituary noted that she provided "editorial aid and support for her husband's political writing career" and also was a "successful jingle

writing contest winner."

Prof. Reichert wrote *Partisans of Freedom: A Study In American Anarchism* and a number of scholarly articles on various aspects of anarchist thought. A native of Brooklyn, N.H., Prof. Reichert served as an officer in the First Armored Division in North Adrica and Italy in World War II.

As a result of that experience, an obituary stated, he became a pacifist for the remainder of his life. He was also a civil rights activist during the early days of desegregation of lunch counters in Lexington, Ky., while he taught at the University of Kentucky.

■ **JUNE RECKER**, 94, formerly of Woodville, died June 1 in Roswell, Ga. She was 94. She worked at BGSU, Rossford Ordnance Depot and Toledo Airporst (FAA).



■ **LLOYD L. SHELTON**, 92, died June 26 in Bowling Green. A Bowling Green High School and BGSU graduate, Shelton's obituary described him as "farmer, pilot, Air Force officer, handball player, bicycle rider and staunch Republican.



Lloyd was a character." Born in Scotch Ridge, Shelton received his private pilot's license in 1939.

During World War II, he flew C-46 transports over "the Hump" between Burma and China. In the 1960s, what is now the Wood County Airport was known as Shelton Airport.

A member of Bowling Green City Council from 1968-1971, Shelton was a founding member of the New Year's Day Bean Ride to Tontogany.

■ *Compiled from obituaries in the Bowling Green Sentinel-Tribune, The Blade, The BG News, obit.csnh.com, and The Crescent-News, Defiance.*

2 retiree-grads honor professor by initiating endowment

\$1 million is goal for William Schmeltz Teaching Professorship

TWO BGSU retirees who are former students of Dr. William Schmeltz, Trustee Professor Emeritus of Accounting and Management Information Systems, have begun



efforts to raise \$1 million for an endowment to honor their former teacher and his leadership as dean of the College of Business Administration.

As dean in the 1960s, Dr. Schmeltz helped to expand international opportunities for students, shared his practical accounting experience in the classroom, and earned the

highest level of accreditation for the College.

• **William Schmeltz, from the 1967 KEY.**

The William Schmeltz Teaching Professorship will support a BGSU faculty member in accounting who demonstrates Dr. Schmeltz's level of commitment to teaching and mentoring students.

Now, a group of his former students and family members are creating a professorship to honor his leadership.

A former student, Tim L. Ross '60, '62, of Chapel Hill, N.C., and a former colleague, Mark F. Asman '65, '66, of Bowling Green, both of whom retired

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Luncheon programs for a new year!

BGSU

Retirees Association

July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013



• **Katerina Ray and Ron Shields present the Wolfe Center for the Performing Arts.** Sept. 12.



• **Monica Moll, director of Campus Safety,** Nov. 14.



• **Stan Korducki, president of Wood County Hospital,** March 13, 2013.



• **Nicholas Hennessy, sustainability coordinator, Office of Campus Sustainability,** May 8, 2013.

• **Joint meeting with University of Toledo Retirees Association,** April 10, 2013, in Toledo.



Dr. Schmeltz (continued)

as faculty in the College of Business Administration, initiated the efforts to recognize Dr. Schmeltz through a professorship.

Created with a \$250,000 group commitment the professorship must reach an endowment level of \$1 million through the BGSU Foundation before the position may support another innovative educator such as Dr. Schmeltz.

Dr. Schmeltz, who lives in Bowling Green, was interested in a career in accounting early. He tagged along as a youngster while his father, also a certi-

fied public accountant, visited his clients in northwest Ohio and across the state.

As a young professional, Dr. Schmeltz owned and operated a machine shop and practiced accounting. It was his practical experiences related to small business management that proved most memorable to students, because he enjoyed offering case studies based on his personal experience. □

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