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BGSU celebration of women in sport to feature Brennan, Title IX roundtable

USA Today sports columnist Christine Brennan will be among the speakers coming to the University Wednesday-Sunday (Feb. 2-6) for "Women and Sport: Before, During, and After Title IX," an interdisciplinary symposium celebrating women in athletics.

In addition to Brennan, a Toledo native whose address will open the symposium Wednesday, keynote speakers will be Dr. Bernice Sandler, on Thursday, and Mariah Burton Nelson, on Friday. Sandler played a major role in the development and passage of Title IX and other legislation prohibiting discrimination against females in education. Nelson, a former college and professional basketball player, is a writer who has authored books on how women are changing sport.

All three keynote speeches are free and open to the public, as is a Saturday morning session on Title IX, which was part of the federal Education Act Amendments of 1972.

Scheduled for 8:30 a.m. to noon in 101 Olscamp Hall, the roundtable discussion will include a comparison of experiences by six women who were athletes at BGSU from the 1940s to the '70s. Comprising the panel will be Dorothy Luedtke, a 1947 graduate who went on to coach at the University and still lives in Bowling Green; Dr. Lynne Emery, '56, of Pasadena, Calif.; Marcia Conrad Saneholtz, '64, of Pullman, Wash.; Noel Jablonski, '72, of Annandale, Va.; Mary Jo Beers-Takash, '75, of Albany, Ga., and Cathy Copeland Mock, '76, of Columbus.

The panelists are among roughly 800 women who participated in competitive athletics at Bowling Green before women's sports received varsity status on campus in 1977. Those women will be awarded varsity letters Friday at a banquet and ceremony hosted by the BGSU Athletic Department, then introduced the following day at the women's basketball game versus Ohio University in Anderson Arena.

Also speaking at the Saturday session will be Mary Jo Kane, from the University of Minnesota's Tucker Center for Research on Girls and Women in Sport, and Deborah Larkin of the National Women's Law Center. Kane will discuss "The Federal Law Known as Title IX: What's Fact vs. Fiction Got to Do with It?" Larkin's talk is titled "Title IX: Don't Let Our Daughters Grow Up Without It!"

The athletic department's decision to honor pre-Title IX pioneers at BGSU helped prompt planning for the concurrent academic symposium, said Dr. Vikki Krane, director of the Women's Studies Program, which is hosting the five-day celebration.

Further impetus has come from renewed interest in protecting Title IX, which she said is "under attack once again." Recommendations made two years ago by the Secretary of Education's Commission on Opportunity in Athletics would hurt opportunities for women in intercollegiate sports, said Krane, also human movement, sport and leisure studies.

She added that some of the symposium speakers may have updates on the status of the commission's report and recommendations.

The opening speaker, Brennan, will discuss "There's a Woman in the Locker Room: From the Field to the Press Box, Women Have Arrived" in her keynote address, set for 7 p.m. Wednesday in 101 Olscamp Hall. A reception will follow in the same room.

Also a network television analyst and an authority on women's sports, Brennan joined USA Today in 1997 after 12 years at the Washington Post. At the Post, she covered the Washington Redskins—becoming the first woman to do so—as well as the Olympics,

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Super Bowls and national-championship college football bowl games. In 1993, she was named the Capital Press Women's "Woman of Achievement."

The first woman sportswriter at the Miami Herald, where she worked from 1981-84, Brennan is the author of several books. Her 1998 book, *Edge of Glory: The Inside Story of the Quest for Figure Skating's Olympic Gold Medals*, won an Ohioana Library Association Book Award. She is also a four-time winner of the Women's Sports Foundation's journalism award and was the first president of the Association for Women in Sports Media.

Associated with Title IX perhaps longer than any other person, Sandler will tell "The Untold Story of Title IX: How We Got It When No One Was Looking" at 8 a.m. Thursday in 308 Bowen-Thompson Student Union.

Sandler filed the first charges of sex discrimination against more than 250 institutions in the 1970s, before there were specific laws prohibiting such discrimination in education. She developed the first reports on campus sexual and peer harassment, gang rape and the "chilly climate" for women, including the first report on differing treatment of men and women in the classroom.

The first person to testify before a congressional committee about discrimination against women in education, Sandler was also the first appointee to a congressional committee staff to work specifically on women's issues. A 1994 recipient of a Century of Women Special Achievement Award from Turner Broadcasting System, she is now a senior scholar at the Women's Research and Education Institute in Washington, D.C., where she consults with institutions and others about achieving equity for women.

"We Are All Athletes" will be the message of Nelson's address, at 10:30 a.m. Friday in the union's Lenhart Grand Ballroom. It is also the title of her 2002 book, subtitled *Bringing Courage, Confidence, and Peak Performance into Our Everyday Lives*.

Nelson's writing and speaking career followed her years as a basketball player, first at Stanford University and then professionally in Europe and in the Women's Professional Basketball League—the first U.S. women's pro league.

Nelson, who will also speak at the banquet honoring BGSU's female athlete pioneers, received the Capital Outstanding Speaker Award from the National Speakers Association/Washington, D.C., Area in 2003. Last year, the WNBA's Washington Mystics presented her the Pollin Award, which recognizes individuals who have made an outstanding impact in their community and are positive role models who inspire others through their work and actions.

Other speakers will come to the symposium from colleges and universities in the United States, Canada, Ireland and Sweden. Among the session topics on which they will make presentations are African-American Women and Title IX, Initiatives and Advocacy for Girls' Sport, Title IX Moms, Gender Equity, Sportswomen in the Media, Women in Sport History, Women's Experiences in Basketball, Being Women in Sport, Professional Women's Football, Femininity and Women's Sport, Sport Injury, Women's Sport Leadership, Social Justice in Sport, and Homophobia and Exploitation in Sport.

In addition, three films about females, sport and Title IX will be screened Thursday in the Gish Film Theater, beginning at 7 p.m.

For more details about symposium events, including registration information, go to the Web at www.bgsu.edu/departments/wmst/womenandsport.html.

BGSU researcher's book is first to focus on Insulin-like growth factors and nutrition

Since insulin-like growth factors (IGF) were first identified in the late 1950s, physicians and

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researchers have been avidly studying the role they play in almost every aspect of human and animal health and development.

A new book co-authored and edited by Dr. Sue Houston, Food and Nutrition Program in the School of Family and Consumer Sciences, is the first to concentrate on the interactions of the IGF system and nutrition.

IGF and Nutrition in Health and Disease, recently published by the Humana Press, brings together research from leading experts in the field to explain how specific nutrients or adverse nutritional states impact the components of the IGF system and affect human health and disease.

Chapter authors come from prestigious U.S. and European universities, the National Institutes of Health and the World Health Organization, and represent the diverse yet interrelated disciplines such as endocrinology, molecular biology, animal science, physiology, medicine and nutrition that are involved in IGF research. "They are an interesting and strong group," Houston said. "Their research really gets to the basic mechanism of how we grow and how health is maintained. The book also explores the interrelationships between nutrition and the IGF in disease states, both chronic and acute. Understanding IGFs will be increasingly important in disease prevention and development of effective therapies."

She and co-editors Dr. Jeffrey M.P. Holly of the University of Bristol, U.K., and Dr. Eva Feldman of the University of Michigan Medical Center, write in the book's preface, "The complexity and significance of the insulin-like growth factor (IGF) system is staggering. From conception through postnatal growth, development, reproduction and aging, in health and disease, the IGF axis orchestrates critical aspects of metabolism and physiology."

IGFs are found in all cells in the body, Houston said. Though actually a family of proteins and receptors, the system behaves like a hormone in its ability to influence cell activity. IGF proteins are involved in DNA and protein synthesis, cell division and death. IGFs have insulin-like activities and mediate the effects of growth hormone on bone development. Thus the IGFs participate in many aspects of metabolism and growth—both normal and abnormal. One of the most profound regulators of the IGF system is nutritional status.

"We know that with inappropriate dietary intake, growth, development and health are affected," Houston said. "So we want to look at the interface of IGF and cell nutrition, physiology and metabolism. We're looking at how nutrients and dietary components signal the body to develop and interact with IGFs."

"The flip side is that some of the IGF proteins are really good markers for malnutrition, such as protein or zinc deficiencies that might be affecting a body's ability to grow or function." Houston's chapter reviews the use of IGF proteins as sensitive markers of nutritional and metabolic status in a variety of conditions including starvation, cancer and other catabolic conditions, where the ability to maintain weight becomes a survival issue.

Houston, who specializes in nutrition science, has investigated the role of nutrients in how the IGF system responds to changes in circumstances in both animals and humans. She has been involved in projects with St. Vincent's Mercy Medical Center and the Medical College of Ohio in Toledo to learn how to better nourish trauma patients, for example.

Normally, blood tests can help determine if a person is getting appropriate nutrition. However, in critical illness where the body is experiencing stress, inflammation or infection, those markers may not be reliable. And yet these are the times when avoiding overfeeding and underfeeding becomes critical to survival, Houston said. Her research suggests that measuring IGFs in the blood can help to appropriately feed these critically ill patients.

Another part of her research, with Dr. Cynthia Smas of MCO, focuses on nutrients and phytochemicals—bioactive compounds in food such as lycopene in tomatoes and ellagic acids in blueberries—which might play a role in prevention or treatment of diseases such

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as prostate cancer.

In fact, IGFs are a "hot topic" in cancer research, Houston said. Because they can influence both cell growth and death, finding ways to "turn off" cancer cells is another way in which nutrition and the IGF axis likely interact.

Other chapters in the book highlight the involvement of IGFs in fetal development, aging, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, neurology, osteoporosis and kidney and gastrointestinal diseases, among others.

In short, a fuller understanding of the IGF system and nutritional states has tremendous potential for understanding "fundamental biological processes, disease prevention, therapy and health," the authors write.

'Chemistry at the Edge of Time' is topic of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Faculty Lecture

Dr. Michael A.J. Rodgers, Ohio Board of Regents Eminent Scholar in Photochemical Sciences, will deliver the year's second Arts and Sciences Distinguished Faculty Lecture at 4 p.m. Thursday (Feb. 3) in the Union Theater. A reception in Rodgers's honor will follow.

In his talk, "Chemistry at the Edge of Time," Rodgers will discuss the nature of rapid dynamic events within molecules that are induced by the absorption of light. Because light is a form of energy, its absorption produces changes in the electronic configuration of the molecules and therefore their chemical properties. Understanding these changes and how to manipulate them is critical to a range of important applications in areas ranging from medicine to communications technology.

Because his research is at the cutting edge of these issues, Rodgers is ideally suited to help scientists and laypersons understand them and their implications. He is an internationally known photoscience researcher who has pioneered development of instrumentation and methodologies for using fast kinetics to study photochemical processes. His work on new compounds and techniques for use in a variety of cancer therapies is highly original and has attracted widespread attention in the scientific community.

In addition to his impressive record of publications and continuous external funding for research, Rodgers has been widely recognized by his professional peers. He has served as president of the American Society for Photobiology, that society's National Lecturer (1996-97) and a member of the editorial board of Photochemistry and Photobiology. In addition, he has been the recipient of the Inter-American Photoscience Society Award (2001), the American Society for Photobiology's Research Award (1997) and BGSU's Olscamp Research Award (1997). He was a driving force in the success of the Center for Fast Kinetics at the University of Texas at Austin before joining BGSU's Department of Chemistry in 1988.

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Speaker to discuss issues surrounding food allergens

"Controlling Food Allergens: Reducing Risks and Saving Lives" will be the topic of a campus talk next week by Dr. Sue Hefle, co-director of the Food Allergy Research and Resource Institute of the University of Nebraska.

Hefle's presentation is part of a health symposium to be held at BGSU by the Food and Nutrition Program of the School of Family and Consumer Sciences and the Northwest

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Ohio Section of the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT). She will speak at 7:15 p.m. Feb. 10 in 115 Olscamp Hall.

Food allergens are responsible for approximately 29,000 emergency room visits and 150-200 deaths in the United States per year. The impact that they have had on the worldwide food industry is remarkable, with no recalls for undeclared food allergens before 1990, but 60-70 per year since 1998. Hefle will discuss the current regulatory atmosphere surrounding food allergens and describe various allergen control strategies and the new label requirements for allergens in foods.

There will be a dinner from 6:15-7 p.m. 201 Bowen-Thompson Student Union, preceding the speech. Reservations are \$20 for faculty, IFT members and non-students, and \$8 for students with ID. Send dinner reservation requests to jwillif@bgnet.bgsu.edu by 5 p.m. Monday (Feb. 7), or call 2-7833 and leave a message.

Arts and Sciences Forum explores medieval art and the Toledo art museum

The next installment of the College of Arts and Sciences Forum series will feature Richard H. Putney, University of Toledo professor of art history and consulting curator on medieval art for the Toledo Museum of Art, in a presentation of "Knights, Bishops and Kings: Re-thinking the TMA Cloister Gallery." The talk will be held from 12:30-1:15 p.m. Feb. 10 in 202B Bowen-Thompson Student Union.

Putney will discuss his current research and work with students to plan a new Cloister Gallery in the museum. The project has entailed visits to medieval sites in Europe, exploration of the art market and work with curators from other museums. Putney will also share some of the ideas, works of art and problems that have fascinated him the most.

Reservations must be made by Friday (Feb. 4) by contacting the college office at 2-2340 or by emailing mjhitt@bgnet.bgsu.edu. Reservations should include your BGSU identification number.

A Southwestern chicken Caesar salad lunch will be served at noon. Lunch is \$7.95 and is payable by cash, check or BGSU ID card. Those wishing to attend the free lecture only may come at 12:30 p.m.

Jorge Fernandes to be remembered at memorial service

A memorial service for Jorge Fernandes, visiting assistant professor of ethnic studies, will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday (Feb. 2) in Prout Chapel. Fernandes, 36, died in a car accident Dec. 19 in Pennsylvania.

BG@100 update contains training link

The February BG@100 update will be available at www.bgsu.edu/BGat100 as of Tuesday (Feb. 1). All are invited to check out the information included in the update. Current AHRS users in particular may want to take a look at this Web page for information contained in a new training link available as of Tuesday.

Ohio schools superintendent Zelman to visit campus

The College of Education and Human Development will host Dr. Susan Tave Zelman, superintendent of instruction for the Ohio Department of Education, this Friday (Feb. 4). Zelman will be on campus to meet with education and College of Arts and Sciences faculty along with superintendents and staff from northwest Ohio schools. The day will also include visits to area schools in which BGSU has educational collaborations.

Zelman will speak to the BGSU faculty in the morning on the topic of partnerships for

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educator preparation among K-12 schools, institutions of higher education and the Ohio Department of Education. Later she will address Arts and Sciences faculty on their role in the preparation of professional education personnel.

Zelman will call on Bowling Green Junior High School and East Toledo Junior High School to see BGSU's Partnerships in Context and Community project in action. Toledo Public Schools Superintendent Eugene Sanders, a former BGSU education faculty member, and college Dean JosuÉ Cruz will be part of the Toledo visit.

CALENDAR

Monday, Jan. 31

Center for Family and Demographic Research Speaker Series, "Through a Sacred Lens: Longitudinal Effects of Viewing Marriage, Pregnancy, and the Transition to Parenthood as Sacred," with Annette Mahoney, psychology, noon-1 p.m., 207 Bowen-Thompson Student Union.

Tuesday, Feb. 1

Firelands Diversity Celebration Workshop, "Notes at Noon," with Galen Abdur-Razzaq, composer and writer, noon, Central Lounge.

Faculty Senate, 2:30 p.m., McFall Assembly Room.

Black History Month Event, "Campus, Community and Nation: African-Americans and the Criminal Justice System," 6:30-8:30 p.m., 101 Olscamp Hall. Sponsored by the African-American Graduate Student Association (AAGSA).

Provost Lecture Series, "Utopia in Performance: Finding Hope at the Theatre," with Jill Dolan, department of theatre and dance faculty, University of Texas at Austin, 6:30 p.m., 228 Union. Hosted by the Institute for the Study of Culture and Society.

Trombone Choir, directed by William Mathis, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Movie, "Saw," 9:30 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by UAO.

Wednesday, Feb. 2

Brown Bag Lunch, "Title IX: The Law, The Impact, The Women," presented by Vikki Krane, women's studies, and Janet Parks, human movement, sport and leisure studies, noon-1 p.m., 107 Hanna Hall.

Black History Month Discussion, "The Performance of Whiteness in the Ivory Towers," 6-8 p.m., 314 Union. Sponsored

by AAGSA.

Women's Basketball vs. Northern Illinois, 7 p.m., Anderson Arena.

Firelands Diversity Celebration Workshop, "Between Two Worlds: Stories of Estrangement and Homecoming," with David Brenner, ethnic studies, 7 p.m., Cedar Point Center. Co-sponsored by BGSU Firelands and the Huron Public Library.

Faculty Artist Series, with faculty composers, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Thursday, Feb. 3

Arts and Sciences Distinguished Faculty Lecture, "Chemistry at the Edge of Time," with Dr. Michael A.J. Rodgers, Ohio Board of Regents Eminent Scholar in Photochemical Sciences, 4 p.m., Union Theater. A reception in Rodgers's honor will follow.

Black History Month Discussion, "Stereotypes of Homosexuality in the African-American Community," 6-8 p.m., 315 Union. Sponsored by AAGSA.

Men's Basketball vs. Akron, 7 p.m., Anderson Arena.

Black History Month Kick-off, "Celebrate Black History—Celebrate African-American Achievement," with Theodore Scott Mitchell, alumnus and director of a Columbus-area consulting firm, 7-9 p.m., 308 Union. Sponsored by the Black Student Union.

International Film Series, "Jibeuro (The Way Home)," 2002, South Korea, directed by Jeong-hyang Lee, 7:30 p.m., Gish Film Theater, first floor, Hanna Hall.

Friday, Feb. 4

Women's Research Network "Intersections of Race, Gender, and Title IX," with graduate assistants Ramona Coleman, ethnic studies; Lisa Alexander, American culture studies, and Amy Henry, human

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movement, sport and leisure studies, 1:30-3:30 p.m., 107 Hanna Hall. Sponsored by the Women's Center.

Women's Swimming vs. Buffalo, 5 p.m., Cooper Pool.

Banquet, honoring pre-Title IX female athletes at BGSU, 5:30 p.m., Lenhart Grand Ballroom, Union. (See link at bgsufalcons.com)

Women's Gymnastics vs. Kent State, 7 p.m., Eppler Center.

Movie, "Saw," 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by UAO.

Saturday, Feb. 5

Young People's Concert, "Afro-Caribbean Ensemble," directed by Steven Cornelius, musical arts, 11 a.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

Black History Month Conference, featuring keynote speaker Omarosa Manigault-Stallworth of "The Apprentice," 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 228 Union (and various rooms). Sponsored by the Center for Multicultural and Academic Initiatives. Call 2-2642 to register.

Women's Swimming vs. Akron, 1 p.m., Cooper Pool.

Women's Basketball vs. Ohio University, 2 p.m., Anderson Arena.

Sunday, Feb. 6

Movie, "Saw," 9:30 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by UAO.

Monday, Feb. 7

ART Talks Presentation, "What's New?: A Museum Director's Perspective," with Dr. Don Bacigalupi, president, director and

CEO, Toledo Museum of Art, 6 p.m., 1101 Fine Arts Center.

Men's Basketball vs. Ohio University, 8 p.m., Anderson Arena.

Ceramics Organization Lecture, by Paul Greenhalgh, president, Nova Scotia College of Art and Design University, 9 p.m., 204 Fine Arts Center.

Continuing Events

Feb. 2-6

Symposium, "Women and Sport: Before, During, and After Title IX."

Sponsored by the Women's Studies Program. Events include:

- **Feb.**—Keynote speaker Christine Brennan, sport journalist, 7-8:30 p.m., 101 Olscamp Hall.
- **Feb. 3**—Keynote speaker Dr. Bernice R. Sandler, expert on women's issues, 8-9:15 a.m., 308 Union.
- **Feb. 4**—Keynote speaker Mariah Burton Nelson, sport sociologist, 10:30-11:45 a.m., Lenhart Grand Ballroom, Union.
- **Feb. 5**—"Focus on Title IX," 8:30 a.m.-noon, 101 Olscamp Hall.

Through Feb. 16

Art Exhibition, "Student Enameling Exhibition," Little Gallery, BGSU Firelands. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Through March 4

Planetarium Show, "Skywatchers of Africa." Showings are at 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays, at 7:30 p.m. Sundays and at 2 p.m. Saturdays (Feb. 5 and March 5). \$1 donation suggested.

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Instructor/Lecturer. Call the dean's office, 2-0623.

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.

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

View job descriptions at: www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/BGSU_only/

The deadline for employees to apply is 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4.

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Cook 1 (C-004-Vf)—University Dining Services. Pay grade 3. Nine-month, full-time position.

Cook 1 (C-005-Vf)—University Dining Services. Pay grade 3. Nine-month, part-time position.

The following position is advertised on and off campus:

Custodial Worker (C-003-Rf)—Facilities Services. Pay grade 2. Part time—6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Deadline: 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11.

ADMINISTRATIVE

View job descriptions at:
www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/adm_staff/

Instructional Design and Educational Specialist (R-004)—Continuing and Extended Education. Administrative grade 13. Deadline: Feb. 4.

Instructional Design and Multimedia Specialist (R-005)—Continuing and Extended Education. Administrative grade 13. Deadline: Feb. 4.

Director, Student Technology Center (V-008)—Office of the Chief Information Officer. Administrative grade 17. Deadline: Feb. 11.

Assistant Athletic Director for Financial Affairs (R-009)—Intercollegiate Athletics. Administrative grade 16. Review of applications will begin Feb. 14 and continue until the position is filled.

Manager, Student Immigration Services (V-003)—Center for International Programs. Administrative grade 15. Deadline: Feb. 14.

Communications Manager (R-012)—Marketing and Communications. Administrative grade 16. Deadline: Feb. 18.

Coordinator of Conference Programs (R-011)—Student Affairs. Administrative grade 13. Deadline: Feb. 18.

Executive Assistant to the Dean (R-010)—College of Arts and Sciences. Administrative grade 14. Deadline: Feb. 18.

Psychologist (V-147)—Counseling Center liaison to the College of Arts and Sciences. Administrative grade 14 (unlicensed) or 17 (licensed). Review of applications will begin Feb. 18 and continue until the position is filled.

Psychologist (V-147)—Counseling Center liaison to the Office of Residence Life. Counseling Center Outreach Coordinator. Administrative grade 14 (unlicensed) or 17 (licensed). Review of applications will begin Feb. 18 and continue until the position is filled.

Assistant Director, Student Union (R-007)—University Dining Services. Administrative grade 16. Review of applications will begin Feb. 21 and continue until the position is filled.

Manager, University Dining Services (V-119)—Student Affairs (re-advertised). Review of applications began Nov. 15 and will continue until the position is filled.

Coordinator for Greek Affairs (V-145)—Student Affairs (re-advertised). Administrative grade 12. Review of applications began Aug. 6 and will continue until the position is filled.

OBITUARY

There were no obituaries this week.