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Bruce Edwards receives Fulbright-Hays Grant for study in Tanzania

Bruce Edwards has received a \$66,000 Fulbright-Hays grant, "Facilitating Educational Cooperation with Tanzania," from the U.S. Department of Education.

The associate dean of international programs and distance learning and an English department faculty member, Edwards has previously been a Fulbright Fellow in Nairobi, Kenya, and recently participated in a U.S. State Department Citizen Exchange Grant facilitated by the Great Lakes Consortium.

In summer 2005, Edwards will serve as project director for a study trip to Tanzania that will enable a select group of northwest Ohio university faculty, graduate students involved in area studies, K-12 teachers and a skilled videographer to learn about East African history, culture and economics. They will also examine communication tools, such as the Internet, that contribute to ongoing exchanges with Tanzanian educators and citizens.

The team of educators will meet with Tanzanian teachers, public policy experts, government officials, artists and businesspeople. They plan to acquire unique resource materials such as indigenous arts and crafts and video documentation of arts and crafts production techniques, as well as video interviews with key Tanzanian officials and policymakers.

The project will consist of a five-week seminar that will help educators enhance and expand their East African curricula. The team will develop strategies for teaching Tanzanian history, art, economics and social studies, become mentors and peer resources to colleagues and create an ongoing, online resource center to facilitate a continuing dialogue.

According to Edwards, planning for the trip and preparatory training for possible participants will begin this fall.

Conference to focus on supporting and teaching autistic individuals for professionals and parents

A child, under the age of 3, has difficulty communicating, learning language and interacting with others. The child prefers to be alone and insists on following routines to precise detail. These are a few signs closely linked to autism, a neurological disorder. Coping with a disorder that affects how the brain functions and develops can be difficult. The child's parents, believing "he'll grow out of it" or "every child is different" may delay seeking help.

Parents, teachers, counselors and others who deal with autistic children or want to know more about the disorder will benefit from "What's Happening with Autism," the third annual Autism Summit of Northwest Ohio. Internationally recognized speaker and former teacher Cathy Pratt will share the latest information on caring for children and adults with autism.

The conference is scheduled from 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 12 at the Bowen-Thompson Student Union. The College of Education and Human Development and Continuing and Extended Education and the Wood County Educational Service Center are sponsoring the event.

Pratt's opening address will focus on supporting and teaching autistic individuals and highlight specific characteristics that challenge these individuals. The conference will also feature planning the next steps for autistic adolescents and adults beyond elementary school.

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Pratt has gained first-hand experience as a teacher of students with disabilities and is expert in the areas of autism spectrum disorder and functional behavior. She is the director of the Indiana Resource Center for Autism at the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community at Indiana University and is also an associate professor in Indiana's graduate school. In addition to serving on the advisory boards of the Autism Society of Indiana and Christole Group Homes, she is a member of the board of directors and chairman of the Conference Committee of the National Autism Society of America.

After Pratt's opening discussion of "Multiple Methods of Working with Persons with Autism," participants will choose one of two tracks, focusing on either early childhood or adult issues. Each track consists of three, one-hour discussions led by local autism professionals. The topics range from handling behaviors to estate planning.

The fee for the conference is \$69 with CEUs, \$49 without CEUs and \$15 for students. For more information on conference content, contact Lessie Cochran at 2-7298 or at lcochr@bgnnet.bgsu.edu. To register, contact Continuing and Extended Education at 2-8181.

Eclectic brass ensemble to give free concert

The Millennium Brass chamber ensemble will give a free concert June 7. Part of the University's Summer Music Institute's Brass Camp, the performance is open to the public.

Known for its brilliant virtuosity, dynamic programming and unmatched musical excitement, the group will offer works in a variety of musical styles during its 8 p.m. concert in Bryan Recital Hall at the Moore Musical Arts Center.

Virtuosity, versatility and variety are the hallmarks of the group, which brings together five of America's finest brass players: Vince DiMartino and Richard Illman, trumpet; Lisa O. Bontrager, horn; Scott Hartman, trombone, and Marty Erickson, tuba. Each is recognized internationally as a leading virtuoso on his or her instrument.

Comfortable in jazz and pops styles as well as the classical idiom, the members of the Millennium Brass display a rare versatility in their playing. Collectively, they have performed as solo and section members with many of America's leading orchestras and have appeared with some of the world's most famous popular stars, including Dave Brubeck, Ray Charles and Henry Mancini.

The members of the Millennium Brass are also nationally respected educators. They now hold or have held faculty appointments at some of the country's most prestigious colleges and universities, including Boston University, the Eastman School of Music and Michigan State University.

BG@100 marks progress

BG@100—the implementation of new PeopleSoft administrative systems on campus—has completed the first contracted body of work with PeopleSoft Consulting.

This effort involved comparing the business processes of the PeopleSoft software to BGSU's current business processes. An analysis of the likes and differences in these processes was documented in several reports. Known as "Fit/Gap" reports, they encompassed the functional areas of Human Resources, Benefits and Payroll. Also included in the effort was the creation of a project plan to implement PeopleSoft's HCM (Human Capital Management) software, for Human Resource, Benefits and Payroll.

Open forums were held May 18, 20 and 26, attended by 60 people from across campus. The forums provide an opportunity for University employees and students to ask questions of the project team members. More open forums will be held in July. Times and places will

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be announced on the BG@100 Web page at <http://www.bgsu.edu/bgat100>.

Another form of project communication is the email address bgat100@bgsu.edu. Use this address to ask questions of the project team. Include your name and phone number in your email so that the team can contact you for clarification, if need be.

Taft appoints Longaberger executive and graduate student to BGSU Board of Trustees

Governor Bob Taft on May 14 appointed Stephanie Magyar Imhoff, a Longaberger Co. executive, and Korine Steinke, a graduate student in higher education administration, to the BGSU Board of Trustees.

Imhoff, who will serve a nine-year term, replaces Valerie Newell of Cincinnati, whose term is expiring..

The new trustee is a 1982 cum laude graduate of BGSU, where she received a bachelor of science degree in business administration. At BGSU she was a member of Chi Omega sorority, served as a member of student government and was inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society.

As chief financial officer of Longaberger, Imhoff has been instrumental in establishing the company budget and financial plans, and she oversees the areas of treasury, finance and real estate management. She continues to build bank and corporate relationships, providing the company with alternative investment and financing opportunities. Imhoff has played a key role in the creation and implementation of the corporate strategic plan and is a member of the Longaberger Co. Board of Directors.

Prior to joining Longaberger in 1992, Imhoff, a certified public accountant, worked 10 years at the public accounting firm of Ernst & Young, specializing in auditing and consulting for privately owned emerging businesses.

Imhoff is involved in the community at many levels and has received numerous appointments and awards. She served on the board of trustees of the YWCA of Columbus from 1991-2003 and is past board chair and treasurer, and past chair of the organization's mission/money task force. Imhoff served as treasurer on the board of the Columbus chapter of the United Nations Association.

She currently is a member of the YWCA's endowment board and serves on the finance committee of the Direct Selling Association. She was recognized in Columbus as one of the 1999 *Business First* "40 Under 40," and, in 1992, was honored as the Central Ohio Girl Scouts Woman of Distinction.

A native of Shadyside, Ohio, Imhoff lives in Granville, Ohio, with her husband, Keith, and twin daughters, Grace and Sarah.

Originally from Belvidere, Ill., Steinke has lived in Ohio since 1996. After receiving her bachelor's degree in English from Monmouth College in Illinois, she completed a master's degree in college student personnel at Bluffton College in 1998 and became Bluffton's director of residence life.

While working at Bluffton, Steinke enrolled in the Ph.D. program at BGSU. She resigned from Bluffton last summer to work in the Semester-at-Sea program, and then last fall became a full-time student at BGSU and an academic adviser for the University Program for Academic Success. She is now an assistant to the director of the Higher Education and Student Affairs Program, and will continue in that role in the fall.

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Photographer snaps up ASC Spirit of BG Award

David Hampshire, the photographer for Instructional Media Services, has won the Administrative Staff Council Spirit of BG Award.

Hampshire works with faculty, staff and students to document artwork and reproduce photographic images from the latest digital techniques to historic glass plate negatives.

"What transcends Mr. Hampshire's technical expertise, however, is his genuine respect and concern for others," a nominator wrote. "Students First' is a Dave Hampshire philosophy that we can all remind ourselves of from time to time."

Concern for others shows Myers' 'Spirit of BG'

Donovan Myers, facilities services, was the April recipient of the Classified Staff Spirit of BG Award.

Myers regularly goes beyond his duties as a maintenance repairman to make the custodial staff's job easier, and is always cheerful and professional, wrote his nominators. In one instance, he stayed late one night to clean up an area in the library after he had performed a plumbing repair job, instead of leaving it for the custodial crew in the morning as he could have.

One of his nominators wrote, "In the 25 years that I've worked at BGSU, no one has more personified the 'Spirit of BG' than Donovan."

Myers received a check for \$75 as part of the award.

CALENDAR

Tuesday, June 1

Dissertation Defense, "College and University Faculty Attitudes, Incentives and Barriers toward Distance Learning," by Elizabeth Anne H.B. Christo-Baker, School of Leadership and Policy Studies, 1:30 p.m., 113 Education Building.

Thursday, June 3

Administrative Staff Council, 1:30-3 p.m., 207 Union.

Friday June 4

Classified Staff Council Golf Outing, 11:30 a.m., Forrest Creason Golf Course.

Sunday, June 6

Concert, by Krakatau, an Indonesian jazz band, 7 p.m., 101 Olscamp Hall. Free.

Monday, June 7

Dissertation Defense, "Transitioning

Pedagogies and Assessments into the Fully Online Writing Classroom: A Pilot Study," by Elizabeth Monske, English, 1:30 p.m., 206 East Hall.

Dissertation Defense, "Planning in Social Context: A Guide for Environmental Practitioners and New Environmental Pragmatism," by MaryBeth Bauer, philosophy, 1:30 p.m., 301 Shatzel Hall.

Guest Artist Concert, Millennium Brass Quintet, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Part of the Summer Music Institute's Brass Camp. Free.

Wednesday, June 9

Summer Book Club, *The Da Vinci Code*, noon-1 p.m., Dimling Lounge, third floor, Union.

Continuing Events

Through June 8

Planetarium Presentation, "Transit of

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Venus." Shows are at 8 p.m. Friday (June 4), 7:30 p.m. Sunday (June 6) and 7:30 a.m. June 8 (when Venus lines up with the sun for the first time since 1882), BGSU Planetarium. \$1 donation suggested.

Through June 11

Art Exhibit, High School Art Teachers' Exhibition, The Little Gallery, BGSU Firelands. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Through June 14

Art Exhibit, "Cream of the Crop," award-winning pieces from the spring 2004 Undergraduate Student Exhibit, Union Art Galleries, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. weekends.

June 12-20

Boys State, campuswide.

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FACULTY

Accounting and MIS. Instructor. Call Lawrence Kowalski, 2-2803. Deadline: June 14.

Biology or Chemistry. Visiting Assistant Professor/Instructor. Call Kelley Smith, 2-2015. Deadline: June 28.

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

There are no new listings this week.

ADMINISTRATIVE

View job descriptions at:

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

Assistant Director of Residence Life for Educational Initiatives (V-039)—Office of Residence Life. Administrative grade 14. Review of applications began May 14 and will continue until the position is filled.

Assistant Dean of Students (R-042)—Office of Campus Involvement. Administrative grade 17. Deadline: June 4.

Coordinator—Business and Operations (R-043)—Department of Chemistry. Administrative grade 14. Deadline: June 4.

Instructor/Supervisor Mass Spectrometry Facility (R-044)—Department of Chemistry. Administrative grade 13. Deadline: June 4.

Residence Hall Director (V-018)—Office of Residence Life (three positions). Administrative grade 13. Review of applications will continue until all positions are filled.

OBITUARY

There were no obituaries this week.

Monitor holiday June 7

Monitor will not be published the week of June 7.