Mud Hens baseball excursion scheduled June 27; ticket buy deadline is May 11

The annual retirees trek to Fifth Third Field to watch the Mud Hens will be Monday, June 27. The Toledo team will play the Louisville Bats in a noon game.

Tickets for retirees are $7 with a deadline of May 11 for purchase with a check payable to Helen Dermer, 1210 Lyn Rd., Bowling Green.

The seats are under the stadium overhang, Dermer said. As with previous baseball excursions, a Tarta bus will leave Perrysburg (near Walt Churchill’s Market) at 11 a.m. Fare is $1 each way, she said.

Chris Gajewicz

City parks natural resources expert May 11 presenter

CHRIS Gajewicz, the national resources coordinator for the City of Bowling Green Parks and Recreation Department, will be the speaker at the May 11 luncheon of the BGSU Retirees Association. The meeting will be at Stone Ridge Golf Club, Muirfield Drive, Bowling Green. Registration and socializing begins at 11:30. Cost of the served meal is $14.

Gajewicz has worked professionally for the YMCA in Ohio, Michigan and Massachusetts, the Wood County Parks District, and since 2000, he has been the natural resources coordinator for the Bowling Green department. Gajewicz manages the Wintergarden/ St. John’s Nature Preserve and the Simpson Garden Park and performs many “other duties as assigned.”

A native of Sylvania, Gajewicz has degrees from Hocking College and BGSU, majoring in natural resources management. He has a bachelor’s in outdoor recreation and master’s in recreation administration.

Around the town

May 6, Friday, 7 p.m., and May 7, Saturday, 9:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed to assist with the final commencement at Memorial Hall, reports Bonita Bembry at 419-372-2381. To join this celebration, visit the online sign-up form to volunteer and view descriptions of positions such as ticket takers (entry doors), disabled-seating assistants, and program distributors: https://reslife.bgsu.edu/forms/volunteer-springcommencement.php

May 7, Saturday The BG Tree Commission is offering a free educational seminar, “Rain Garden Installation with Tree Selection,” to the public and professionals. From 9-11 a.m. at the Simpson Garden Park Building Conference Room.

May 28, Saturday Because of interest expressed since the first BGSURA-sponsored visit to the Chateau Tebeau Winery in Helena last October, another visit has been planned. The vineyards and winery are located just east of the village of Helena, one mile south of US 6 (the Wonderley Collision corner) on Ohio Rt. 635. Around the Chateau is a cluster of outdoor tables and chairs with colorful umbrellas, near the spot where a musician will, most probably, entertain you. Guests may look over the vineyard itself or stroll on the path through the woods.

Start with a six-wine sampler ($4 in 2010) from among the reds, whites, drys, and sweets, before choosing a favorite for a few generous glasses or a bottle to share with friends. There are also soft drinks available, and panini sandwiches, pizzas, soups, salads, cheese plates, etc. Let Wally Pretzer know by Thursday, May 26, if you plan to join us there (419-352-8057 or dpretze@bgsu.edu).

Interviewing Carol Sanner, a BGSU events organizer who is still organizing – but now downtown.

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Memo
To: Retirees
From: Jean Coffield, BG1 Card Manager

All systems that swipe BG1 Cards (Rec Center, Library, etc.) will not be able to read the current cards after May 8. While the current name of the card is a BG1 Card, this also refers to all previous versions of the BG1 Card identification cards. Essentially, anyone who currently uses the BG1 Card at these locations should get a new card.

Since many retirees did not get a retiree card printed when they left, and those that did may not even use them, we opted not to automatically print new cards for all retirees. However, all retirees are eligible to get a new BG1 Card printed. We had our re-carding event April 4-6 for students, faculty and staff.

Retirees wanting a new card should come to BG1 Card Services during our normal hours of operation. Our website lists our hours and contact information http://www.bgsu.edu/bg1card/

N e e d e d will be a form of identification such as a current BG1 Card, driver’s license, passport, state ID or military ID. It will also be helpful to have a BG1 Card number if the retiree is showing us a form of identification that is not their current BG1 ID. We will verify their status as a retiree. We will take a new photo and print the new card while they wait.

• For more information, BG1 Card Manager Jean Coffield may be reached at (419) 372-4128 or e-mail to jcoffe@bgsu.edu.
A favor returned

CAROL SANNER came to the University from Lima in 1973 as a student in the two-year secretarial program and turned that two-year stint into a 35-year career. She didn’t plan to stay in Bowling Green but that’s the way things worked out and she couldn’t have been happier.

“My first priority when I graduated was to find a secretarial job,” she said. “I had heard there were some positions available at the University so I kept checking with the Personnel Office and I had some helpful contacts from my class work.”

It didn’t take long. Within a month Sanner was offered a position by Leo Navin in the economics department as a typist. “It only paid $3.10 an hour but it was a start and it provided me the opportunity to gain some experience,” she recalled.

At the same time, she became involved in the community. “I played on a softball team sponsored by Howard’s (the downtown bar). I got to know a girl on an opposing team and she asked me to join the Jaycees.”

Joining the Jaycees proved to be beneficial. “The Jaycees were an active group in those days and it was a great way to meet people in the community but more importantly, it was in the Jaycees where I met Randy Sanner, the man who would become my husband.”

She moved on to several other positions within the College of Business Administration, including the Department of Applied Statistics and Operations Research where she worked for Bob Patton and Jim Sullivan, who both became deans of the college.

“I really enjoyed being in the College of Business Administration and have many fond memories of the people there,” she said.

In 1986, though, she had the opportunity to move to the Mileti Alumni Center as secretary to Dwight Burlingame, vice president for University Relations.

“In her new position, Sanner took on a variety of assignments, including responsibility for making arrangements for the continued on page 3

Come volunteer with us

CAROL SANNER is looking for volunteers. In her new position at Downtown Bowling Green, located in Sentinel Place on East Wooster Street, her primary responsibility is finding volunteers to assist with various Downtown BG events that bring business and activity to the downtown area. “We have a great need for people to help with these programs, which are so important to our downtown businesses,” she said.

Sanner works with • The downtown Farmers Market is organized by Downtown BG.

A civic organizations, churches, schools and University students to provide volunteers for such events as the annual Art Walk, the Vintage Car show, the Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony and concert at the Clazel as well as the Farmer’s Market, which opens May 18.

“Volunteering is a great social outlet for people and it benefits Bowling Green. Our goal is to have an active downtown where people make it a point to shop and support our merchants and the more people who volunteer the more successful these programs will be,” she said.

Her next event is Art Walk on April 30, which turns Bowing Green into a huge art gallery and attracts large crowds. “We will need volunteers to help with a variety of tasks,” Sanner said, adding that people can work either two or four hour shifts.

Persons interested in assisting the Art Walk, or any other Downtown BG event, may call Sanner at 419-354-4332 or csanner@downtownbgohio.org
University’s commencement ceremonies.

“There are many behind-the-scenes things that need to be in place for a successful ceremony that most people do not know about. With the help of many people on campus, we were able to have some very nice ceremonies for the students,” she said.

She worked closely with Mearl Guthrie, who served as commencement marshal, supervising the faculty members who directed the marching graduates to their seats. “Carol was extremely efficient. She had everything arranged and made all our jobs a lot easier. Since she was a graduate from our program (business education), I always said it was the superior training she received that enabled her to be so efficient,” smiled Guthrie, who served as marshal for 25 years.

Sanner became the go-to person for commencements at Bowling Green, and it is to her credit that the ceremonies went as smoothly as they did.

Her duties included scheduling musicians, arranging for speakers and honorary degree recipients to be met at the airport, setting up housing for guests, planning the post-commencement luncheon, assigning places for the platform participants and insuring that all academic regalia, including the mace and presidential pendant, were ready for the ceremony.

Since the spring and summer graduations were held outdoors, weather was always a concern. Sanner would call Glen Frey in the geography department for weather updates and for the most part there were few disruptions, although Sanner recalls Joe Spinelli holding an umbrella over Scott Hamilton, who gave his address during a downpour.

Sometimes the speakers and honorary degree recipients had special requests. Arrangements were made for PBS’s Fred Rogers to use the Rec Center pool for a morning swim. Baseball Hall of Famer Willie Mays arrived on campus without a suit, his suitcase having been lost at the airport.

He borrowed one from University President Paul Olscamp. “I did get an autographed baseball from Willie Mays,” Sanner recalled.

Graduation most trying

Perhaps her most trying commencement was when she was just a few days from delivering her son and had to walk the 51 stadium steps to the President’s box. “That was before the elevators were installed. I sure could have used one that day. I remember Mr. Burlingame was extremely nervous about me being at graduation but I assured him I could be there and all would be well.”

Four days later, her son Ryan was born.

Her responsibilities with commencements ended in 1998 when they were shifted to Linda Dobb in the library. Now the Office of Student Affairs handles commencements.

When she retired in June of 2010, Sanner’s title was Administrative Secretary 2, the culmination of a 35-year career that saw her progress through five different levels. One of the greatest changes in her work was the advent of technology. “When I started we were working on Selectric typewriters. Computers changed everything and there was a lot to learn, much of it picked up from co-workers and laboratories that were designed to teach employees how to use different applications, like Excel.”

She enjoyed her work in the Alumni Center because there was “always some event going on that we were all involved with in some way. Homecoming was a favorite time as well as retiree receptions, various luncheons and presentations.”

She concluded her career working for Marcia Latta in the Office of Development, which continued on page 4.
President’s Corner
By Ramona Cormier

The last word

IN THIS, my last column for the BGSURA Newsletter, I wish to wholeheartedly thank all board and committee members who have contributed to the success and vitality of BGSU’s retiree association. Also I wish to extend special recognition to a few whose service has been above and beyond the call of duty. First I wish to recognize the Gordons: Jim for his extraordinary editing of BGSURA’s Newsletter, and Joan for her service as secretary and for her revision of the Bylaws.

Then I need to cite Ted Groat for his effective management of our luncheons. Dick Edwards, Roger Anderson and Genevieve Stang need to be mentioned for their contributions to OCHER not only as members but also as officers.

Hal Lunde planned and managed our budgets, while Janet Parks, along with the nominating committee, took up the difficult task of seeking persons willing to serve as BGSURA officers.

I wish to wholeheartedly extend my last column for BGSURA. Dave Chilson becomes the new president for 2011 and beyond. He will be an excellent leader. I wish him well and extend my support and best wishes.

Sincerely,
Ramona

• Dr. Cormier, Trustee Professor Emeritus, first took the helm of the BGSURA in 1997 and served two terms, to 2001. After a break, while Roger Anderson handled the presidency from 2001 to 2007, Dr. Cormier returned to serve until her final term ends June 30. She may be reached at rcormie@dacor.net.

Computer aid offered

BGSURA’s computer expert, Charlie Applebaum, has been retained by the Chief Information Officer of BGSU as a resource person for any retired BGSU faculty or staff member within the city with a software problem. Dr. Applebaum has 49 years of experience in mainframe and personal computing. He may be reached at 419-352-0777 or send an e-mail to applebau@bgsu.edu.

Sanner continued

was an exciting time because of the highly successful Building Dreams campaign that raised about $140 million for the University. She didn’t stay idle for long. Shortly after retiring she saw an advertisement in the Sentinel-Tribune and was hired for a part-time job with Downtown Bowling Green, which is headed by Barbara Ruland.

Reservation – BGSURA Full-Service Luncheon at Stone Ridge

Reservation deadline Friday, May 6
Luncheon Wednesday, May 11
11:30-Noon: Check-in, socializing. Noon: Full-service Luncheon. $14 per person

Name(s) ________________________________

Number of reservations __________________

1. How to pay by mail:
CHECK ENCLOSED FOR $________ PAYABLE TO BGSURA.
Send Reservation Form and check to:
Harold Lunde, BGSURA Treasurer,
880 Country Club Dr., Bowling Green, OH 43402.

2. Reservations by e-mail: hlunde@bgsu.edu. Pay by cash or check at the door.
Deadline for reservations Friday, May 6
WHEN your name appears in The Blade, Toledo, and you’re the president of the University of Toledo, you are Dr. Jacobs. But if you’re the president of Bowling Green State University, you’re Ms. Cartwright (Blade, March 17, 2011). Shouldn’t both be referred to as Dr.? And when a Blade editorial March 31 welcomed BGSU’s next president, shouldn’t she have been referred to as Dr. Mazey instead of Ms. Mazey?

BGSU’s Dr. Ralph H. Wolfe, Distinguished Teaching Professor Emeritus, thinks they should be. For the full text of Dr. Wolfe’s first letter to Blade Editor David Kushma, go to www.bgsu.edu/retirement and click on Newsletter, March 2011 #3.

To read Editor Kushma’s reply, and Dr. Wolfe’s second letter to Editor Kushma, go to the BGSU retirement Web site and click on the May 2011 newsletter icon.

LETTERS

Is there a doctor in the house?

Dr. Wolfe is correct about Blade style. Further, if anyone in the story is a convicted felon, NO ONE in the story gets an honorary Mr., Mrs or Ms. I am not sure what they would do with Dr. in the felon instance.

I once asked on the Blade copy desk who had written the Blade style. Dick Tegatz quickly rattled off four names. I said I don’t recognize the names. He said “Oh, they are all dead.”

But their legacy lives on.

Raymond Laakaniemi

• Dr. Laakaniemi, retired from Journalism, worked summers as a copy editor at The Blade.

I enjoyed Ralph Wolfe’s letter, not being aware of the AP distinction between MDs and PhDs. Several years ago I was eating at the Toledo Hospital Cafeteria and was asked by the cashier if I was a doctor. “As a matter of fact, I am,” I responded and was rewarded with a discount.

Lloyd Buckwell, as I recall, always insisted on being listed as Doctor on airline tickets. I’ve always been leery of that, for fear that I’d be called to assist in a medical emergency.

Park Leathers

• Dr. Leathers is retired from Accounting and Management Information Systems.

I read Ralph’s letter with interest; thanks for including it in the newsletter. I, too, thought it sexist that The Blade did not refer to our female president by her rightful title. Kudos to Ralph for speaking up.

Rebecca McOmber

• Rebecca McComber, retired BGSU registrar, is a former BGSURA Board member. She was a 2003 co-winner of the Michael R. Ferrari Award, the highest award given to an administrative staff member.

BGSURA welcome

To: Ellen Dalton
From: Harold Lunde, BGSURA Treasurer

Thank you and congratulations for joining the BGSU Retirees Association as a Life Member. We now have a total of 104 living Life Members and 11 who are deceased.

To: Harold Lunde
From: Ellen Dalton, new Life Member

Thanks for the greetings, Hal. I think as long as the living Life Members outnumber the deceased, we’re OK. :-)

• Ellen Dalton is retired budget coordinator for the College of Musical Arts.

THE LIST OF LIFE MEMBERS IS ON THE REVERSE SIDE
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**Deceased**

- Morgan Brent
- Zola R. Buford
- William D. Hann
- James P. Hoy
- Sarah J. Lunde
- Justine Magsig
- John Merriam
- Janis L. Pallister
- Joseph B. Perry
- Deanna J. Radeloff
- Betty van der Smissen

**Passings**

- **SARA ELIZABETH “LIBBY” SCHOLLER** died March 21 in Bowling Green. She was 90. She spent 15 years at the desk of BGSU’s Kohl Hall dorm at a variety of jobs, including providing “motherly care and advice” to many freshman boys.

  Libby retired in 1979. She also was a Wood County Hospital Guild volunteer.


- **GERALD JEFFERS**, 85, died at his Bowling Green home April 1.

  He retired as a BGSU locksmith in 1987. Jeffers served four years in the U.S. Army during World War 2. He was born near McClure.
This ballot corrects the number of directors to be elected from seven to six. The print version mailed April 14 said seven.

May 1, 2011

To: Members of the Bowling Green State University Retirees Association (BGSURA)

From: BGSURA Nominating Committee

ANNUAL ELECTION

- Please mark the ballot, fold, tape and apply a 44-cent stamp.
- Ballot must be received on or before May 31, 2011.

Thank you for your support.

Ballot for the two-year term beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013

PRESIDENT

_____ David Chilson

TREASURER

_____ Gaylyn Finn

BOARD MEMBERS (SIX TO BE ELECTED)

_____ Ellen Dalton

_____ Linda Hamilton

_____ Joseph Jacoby

_____ Karel King

_____ Paul Lopez

_____ Elmer Spreitzer

About Bylaws

After review of the BGSURA Bylaws by the Board of Directors, it was determined that there were no amendments needed at this time to be presented to the membership. The review will continue through the year. Members may submit suggestions for changes at any time to Joan Gordon, chair of the Bylaws Committee, at jhgordon@dacor.net.

BGSURA Programs for next year

Wed, Sept. 7, 2011: Rodney Rogers, Dean, BGSU College of Business

Wed, Nov. 16, 2011: Nancy Orel, Associate Professor; Director, BGSU Gerontology Program

Wed, March 14, 2012: Tim Brown, Wood County Commissioner

Wed, April 11, 2012: Tim Fuerst, Professor, BGSU College of Business

Wed, May 9, 2012: Albert Colom, BGSU Vice President for Enrollment Management

Dear Members,

This is the last issue of the 2010-2011 school year for the BGSURA Newsletter. The September issue will be mailed about Sept. 1 with an application for membership if your membership needs to be renewed. Your membership status appears on your mailing label's top line. Thank you for your valuable membership.

In the meantime, stay tuned with BGSURA's digital newsletter on line as a PDF at www.bgsu.edu/retirement. An e-mail alert will be sent via ListServ when a new newsletter is posted. If you’re not now a ListServ subscriber — we have nearly 300 — and want to subscribe, please send an e-mail to retirees@bgsu.edu.

Ramona Cormier
BGSURA President