Wiley Blevins continues to cheer for BGSU

From the Dean
The College of Education and Human Development's vision is to promote a dynamic community of lifelong learners and leaders who will pursue the improvement of society and the human condition across the life span. This quest revolves around the college's core values—dedication to inquiry, reflection, risk-taking, collaboration and partnership and equity.

The college pursues its mission as an academic leader for the interdisciplinary study of teaching, learning, leadership and human development. Our mission focuses on educating professionals who will positively impact the development of individuals, families, communities, schools and other institutions in society.

Since 1985, our focus has included educators beyond the scope of traditional teachers such as those in the School of Teaching and Learning (STL), including early childhood, middle childhood and adolescent young adult teachers, and the School of Intervention Services (SIS), including special education teachers. For example, the School of Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) prepares educators dedicated to communicating, advancing and applying knowledge that fosters the well-being of individuals and families. The School of Human Movement, Sport and Leisure Studies (HMSLS) is committed to the creation, enhancement and dissemination of knowledge in the fields of human movement, sport and leisure. And the School of Leadership and Policy Studies (LPS) prepares educators to assume leadership roles in formulating and implementing administrative policy and improving practice at all levels of education and in agencies outside of formal educational settings.

This movement of broadening the definition of educators is now being carried out in many other universities of our size and complexity across the country. I am proud to be a part of a college that is on the forefront with such a great vision and mission. I hope you are too!

Josué Cruz Jr.

EDHD develops child and family policy institute
The Ohio Department of Education's Center for Student's Families and Communities, has awarded the College of Education and Human Development (EDHD) a $180,000 subsidy grant to develop the BGSU Institute for Child and Family Policy (ICFP). The mission of the institute is to facilitate the development of policy and best practice models that effectively address the needs of children and families.

Development of the institute began this past spring. Staff members have started work on initial policy briefs and recruitment of faculty affiliates.

Dr. Josué Cruz Jr., dean of the college, will serve as the interim director for the institute. Drs. Randall Leite and Laura Landry-Meyer, both faculty in the human development and family studies program in EDHD's School of Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS), will serve as the associate directors.

"I am so pleased with the work of Dr. Leite and Dr. Landry-Meyer toward the creation of the institute," said Cruz. "The Institute for Child and Family Policy represents the first program in Ohio aimed at providing explicit, non-partisan child and family policy research, analysis and recommendations to legislators, legislative staff, state agency personnel and education and social service professionals throughout the state."

The institute will serve as a clearinghouse for policy research and recommendations and will maintain affiliations with researchers at BGSU as well as other institutions throughout Ohio. For more information, email the institute at icfp@bgsu.edu.
Faculty & Staff News
The College of Education and Human Development is pleased to welcome the following new faculty and staff:

**School of Leadership and Policy Studies**
- Dr. Paul Johnson, assistant professor, politics and community engagement
- institutional policy and administrative leadership

**School of Teaching and Learning**
- Joan Livingston, assistant professor, early childhood literacy and graduate reading
- Dr. Eric Worch, assistant professor, early childhood science methods

**School of Family and Consumer Sciences**
- Dr. Susan Prest, lecturer, early childhood and human development
- Dawn Murrell, lecturer, early childhood
- Dr. Ashutosh Suhoni, assistant professor, interior design

For additional information about the scholarship program, please contact Sara Zielch-Smith at szilch@bgsu.edu

Scholarships FULFILL DREAMS

EDHD stewards campaign gifts

Alumni, friends, faculty and staff of the College of Education and Human Development are truly helping the University build dreams.

As of July 31, the college has raised more than $6.4 million (of a $7 million goal) to support projects, programs and scholarships within the college. University-wide, the Building Dreams Campaign (July 2002 to December 2008) has raised more than $150 million (of a $120 million goal).

And EDHD’s retired and current faculty and staff are a big part of that success. During this year’s Family Campaign, EDHD exceeded the campaign participation rate by 22 percent, and by the end of the campaign, more than 75 percent of the college faculty and staff had supported the campaign—the highest percentage of participation of all six colleges within BGSU.

The college is using these gifts for projects and initiatives that impact EDHD students and the University community. For example, some of the funds have been designated to update the School of Family and Consumer Sciences’ child development playground at Johnston Hall, expand technology available to EDHD students and guarantee tuition for the college’s gifted institute summer camps. Because of your support, the college is making a difference in the lives of students and those they will touch in the future.

To make a donation to EDHD, please contact the BGSU development office at 1-800-236-3112 or visit http://giving.bgsu.edu/development/fundingopportunities/onlinegiving. And please remember to specify EDHD as your desired donation fund. Thank you in advance for your generosity and investment in the future.

College offers new master’s degree

As cultures merge and populations diversify, teachers in the new millennium must be prepared to teach in a world that has changed over the last century. To address that need, the Division of Educational Foundations and Inquiry in the School of Leadership and Policy Studies is offering a new master of arts degree in cross-cultural and international education.

The degree will prepare professional educators to be effective leaders in the internationalization of schools and communities and to be positive facilitators of cross-cultural understanding.

The core of the degree program is to prepare global educators who are able to:
- serve as leaders in internationalizing curriculum,
- foster international educational partnerships, and
- infuse education policy and practices with cross-cultural awareness.

For additional information, refer to www.bgsu.edu/colleges/edhd/edfi/macie.

Service Learning B!G in Interior Design

The BGSU interior design (ID) students in the School of Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) have been very busy with service-learning projects this past year.

For example, the 30 students in Debra Zappettelli’s History of Interiors class prepared plans for redesigning two rooms in the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center. The students prepared the renderings by viewing archival photos, reviewing written accounts of the rooms and traveling to Fremont to take their own photos, notes and measurements.

The Hayes Presidential Center is using the students’ work to help promote a fund-raising project to restore seven rooms to their condition when Hayes left the White House in 1881. For more information about the work on the Hayes Presidential Center, refer to www.bgsu.edu/offices/mc/monitor/01-09-06/page16779.html.

This service-learning project not only benefited the students by gaining valuable professional experience but also benefited the community by promoting the restoration of a nationally historic building.

Senior Kitchen Project EXPANDS OPPORTUNITIES

The Ohio Board of Regents recently approved a $500,000 joint use agreement between BGSU and the Wood County Committee on Aging (WCCOA) for the Wood County Senior Kitchen Project. Nancy Orel, who is president-elect of WCCOA, and H&HMSL faculty members Dr. Amy Morgan and Dr. Lynn Darby worked on the agreement. As part of the agreement, BGSU students and faculty in gerontology, nutrition, and human movement, sport and leisure studies will have increased access to WCCOA’s activities and operations for service-learning opportunities. For more information, contact Lynn Darby at 419-572-4903 or ldarby@bgsu.edu.