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ATTENTION: NEWS DIRECTORS/EDITORS

There will be a press conference at 12 noon on Tuesday, March 12, in the Buckeye Reception Room of Kilcawley Center with Dale Maharidge and Michael Williamson, The Sacramento (Calif.) Bee news team who authored the book, "Journey to Nowhere: The Saga of the New Underclass," which chronicled the lives of industrial migrant workers in their search for employment.

They spent six weeks in the Youngstown area right after the first major steel mill closings at Sheet & Tube, completing part of their research for the book, and the first quarter of the book has the Youngstown area as its setting.

A later investigative reporting work by Maharidge and Williamson was published as a five-part series in The Bee and is under consideration for a Pulitzer Prize in journalism. It detailed the migration of Salvadorians to the U.S.

The journalists will discuss their work here on "Journey to Nowhere" and the Salvadorian migration.

The press conference was set up by Dr. John B. Russo, associate professor, YSU Business Education and Technology, and director of the Labor Studies program.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Peter Jenkins, best-selling author of "A Walk Across America" and "The Walk West," will be a Special Lecturer at Youngstown State University April 2.

Jenkins' presentation will include a slide program along with a lecture detailing his adventures during his trek across the U.S. which lasted five years and covered over 4,700 miles. The presentation will be at 8 p.m. in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center.

The YSU Special Lecture Series is free and open to the public. Admission is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Jenkins was born in Greenwich, Conn. in 1951. He graduated from Alfred (N.Y.) University in 1973. Frustrated by his comfortable upbringing and concerned about his country's future, he set out walking across the U.S. to discover himself and his fellow Americans.

He started from his home in Alfred in 1973. The first leg of his journey took him south, where he found a beauty in both the land and the people that inspired him to write "A Walk Across America." When he stopped for a working layover in New Orleans in 1976, he met his future wife, Barbara, who joined him for the second part of the adventure and helped him write "The Walk West," which chronicles their trip from Louisiana to the Oregon coast.

Jenkins and his wife currently live in New Orleans with their two children. He and his wife are working on two more books, several magazine articles and a documentary movie.

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The YSU Special Lecture Series is funded by student general fees.

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EDITORS/NEWS DIRECTOR: There will be a news conference with Peter Jenkins before his lecture at 7:45 p.m., April 2, in the Buckeye Reception Area of YSU's Kilcawley Center.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - WYSU-FM (88.5), Youngstown State University's Fine Arts Radio station, will present Richard Wagner's "Die Meistersinger von Nuernberg" live from the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City beginning at 12:30 p.m. (one and one-half hours earlier than usual) Saturday, March 16.

This comic opera will be the Met broadcast debut for the conductor, Christof Perick; soprano Mari Anne Haeggander as Eva; and tenor Heribert Steinback as Walther von Stolzing. The cast also includes David Rendall as David; Dieter Weller as Beckmesser; Franz-Ferdinand Nentwig as Hans Sachs; and Gwynne Howell as Pogner. Peter Allen will announce this Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network broadcast.

The conclusion of a two-part discussion of Wagner and "Die Meistersinger" by M. Owen Lee, professor of Greek and Latin classical literature at the University of Toronto, will be the first intermission feature.

The "Texaco Opera Quiz" will be heard during the second intermission with guest panelists M. Owen Lee; George Jellinek, and playwright Terrence McNally. The quizmaster will be Edward Downes.

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