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Calendar

Monday, Dec. 13, 7:05 p.m. Penguins' men's hoops takes on Malone in Beeghly Center.

Wednesday, Dec. 15, 3 p.m. YSU Board of Trustees meets in the Trustees Meeting Room on the first floor of Tod Hall.

Thursday, Dec. 16, 7:05 p.m. The Penguins' women's basketballers play Akron in Beeghly Center.

Friday and Saturday, Dec. 17 and 18, 8 p.m. Ward Beecher Planetarium presents "Holiday Lights." The planetarium also presents "George & Oatmeal Santa" at **1 and 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 18.** Free.

Farnell Memorial Scholarship established at YSU

The late William H. Farnell of Poland, who attended Youngstown State University and worked as a drill press operator and at the Poland Township road department, has established a scholarship fund at the YSU Foundation.

The William H. Farnell Memorial Scholarship will award up to eight \$1,000 scholarships annually to worthy and needy YSU students who are graduates of Poland Seminary High School, Struthers High School

and other Mahoning Valley high schools. Scholarship recipients will be selected by the YSU Foundation, in conjunction with the YSU Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships.

Farnell was born Feb. 15, 1951, in Youngstown and graduated from Poland High School in 1969. He had worked for the Poland Village road department and also was a press operator at area machine shops. He died Dec. 24, 2009, at the age of 58.

He was an avid golfer and sports fan, following the Cleveland Browns and Indians, Mahoning Valley Scrappers, the YSU football and basketball teams and Struthers High School teams. He was a blood donor and a volunteer at the Rescue Mission of the Mahoning Valley and Angels for Animals. He also was an active member of Mahoning United Methodist Church, where he was the video technician.

Grant helps student pursue study in Bahamas

Molly E. Toth of Struthers, a senior anthropology major at Youngstown State University, has been awarded a grant to study human remains on San Salvador Island in the Bahamas.

The \$800 grant from the Gerace Research Centre on San Salvador Island will allow Toth to conduct a detailed study of human skeletal remains located on the site of the research center. In addition to performing metric and non-metric analysis to make estimations of age, sex and ancestry, she will also be implementing a short-term conservation program to ensure proper care and storage for the remains.



Toth first travelled to the GRC in a year ago as part of a YSU archaeology class, at which time she was shown the remains and made a proposal to conduct a more in-depth study. With the grant, Toth will return to the GRC in December to continue the research under the supervision of Tom Delvaux, an adjunct YSU anthropology faculty member. The grant will be used to offset transportation costs and room-and-board expenses.

The College of the Bahamas' Gerace Research Centre (formerly the Bahamian Field Station), which occupies a former U.S. Naval Base on the island of San Salvador, has been in operation for more 30 years as an educational and research institution. The GRC provides accommodations, laboratory space, and logistical support for both teachers and researchers interested in the tropical environments available on San Salvador. For more information, visit <http://www.geraceresearchcentre.com/>.

In 1492, Christopher Columbus made his first landfall in the New World at San Salvador. The island is one of the outermost of a chain of some 700 islands sprinkled throughout more than 5,000 square miles of the waters.

Molly E. Toth

Campus announces winter break parking plans

In an effort to reduce costs, Youngstown State University will be close some parking lots during the winter break – from Monday, Dec. 13, until the start of spring semester classes on Tuesday, Jan. 18.

John Hyden, YSU executive director of Facilities, announced the actions in an e-mail memo to campus. Lots that will be closed are:

- **M-2 Lincoln Deck**
- **M-7 lot on Lincoln Avenue**
- **M-27 lot on Fifth Avenue (across from Athletic Ticket Office)**
- **Lot Behind Melnick Hall on Wick Avenue**
- **All lots in Smoky Hollow**

In the event of significant snowfall during the winter break, additional surface lots may be closed, including the M-5 lot on the Madison Avenue Expressway Service Road (next to Wick and Weller House) and the M-4 lot behind the Peck House on Wick Avenue, Hyden said. Every effort will be made to keep sidewalks and roadways as clear as possible as weather conditions arise, he added.

All parking lots will re-open and snow removal operations will return to normal at the start of the spring semester on Tuesday, Jan. 18.

For more information, contact YSU Parking Services at Ext. 3546.

To view the online campus map, visit <http://www.ysu.edu/map/main/index.html>.

YSU faculty/staff awards, presentations, publications

Adam C. Earnhardt, assistant professor of Communication, published an article of original quantitative research entitled, “Exploring Sports Television Viewers’ Judgments of Athletes’ Antisocial Behaviors” in *International Journal of Sport Communication*.

William Greenway, professor, English, published his poem, “Walking the Turtle Creek Mall.” in *ONEARTH*. His poem, “Short-Term Memory Parking” was also published in *Karamu*, while his essay, “Clarity, Obscurity, Ambiguity, and Mystery: The Poetry of the Inarticulate” appeared online in *Midway Journal*.

Fred Viehe, associate professor of History, delivered “The Underworld Never Seemed So Fair: Women as Pirates, G'hals, Bridgets, Mafiosas and Gangsteristas” at the International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities at UCLA. In addition, he attended the “Women and Social Justice” session of the Oxford Round Table at the Margaret Thatcher Center, Somerville College, where he was the Discussion Leader concerning the presentation, “Fostering: The Cyclic Model of Feminine Interaction in Social Change Efforts” and presented “Weaving Their Way Through a Host of Atavistic Masculinities: Women as Pirates, G'hals, Mafiosas, and Gangsteristas.”

Jeffrey T. Coldren, professor, Psychology, presented a paper entitled, “A Multi-Process Analysis of Cognitive Control” at the University of Amsterdam. Coldren also presented a poster entitled, “Cognitive

Control and Academic Achievement in Kindergarten Children” at the annual conference of the Association for Psychological Science in Boston.

James A. Conser, professor emeritus, Criminal Justice & Forensic Sciences, received the inaugural William Tafoya Founder’s Award from the Society of Police Futurists International at its annual meeting in Boston. The award recognizes service to PFI and to the development of “futures thinking,” a field promoting long-range planning and forecasting in policing. Conser was national secretary of PFI from 2000 to 2009.

Maria Barefoot, reference and instruction librarian for the Health Sciences, presented a poster entitled, “Online Liaison: Creating a Comprehensive Web Presence for the Health Sciences” at the Off-Campus Library Education Conference in Cleveland.

Pat Durrell, assistant professor, Physics and Astronomy, published two co-authored papers. “Deep HST/ACS Photometry of the M81 Halo” appeared in *The Astrophysical Journal*, while “Hierarchical Structure Formation and Modes of Star Formation in Kickson Compact Group 31” was published in *The Astronomical Journal*.

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