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Chancellor: Ph.D., Eastern Gateway help YSU reach potential

Ohio Board of Regents Chancellor Eric D. Fingerhut brought his pen to YSU last month and signed off on the university's proposed Ph.D. program in materials science and engineering.

"Ohio is deeply blessed to have a legacy of university-based research that can help our industries create the products and services that will allow them to compete in a global

economy," he said during the announcement in Tod Hall. "But we cannot leave out any corner of the state, nor *will* we leave out any corner of the state. It is critical that each of our universities carries the mantle of technology, of innovation, of research... That's why having a Ph.D. program in material sciences is so significant" at YSU.

The Higher Learning Commission must approve the Ph.D. before students can be admitted in fall 2011.

"This new Ph.D. is yet another step in YSU's evolution into a research institution that has the potential to have significant impact on the economic future of the entire region." President Cynthia E. Anderson said.

Fingerhut added: "This is the beginning of not just a graduate program, where we'll attract students. It is the beginning of building the research capacity in the material sciences, in the hard materials, here at Youngstown State."

The state is "committed to helping this institution build a Center of Excellence in the material sciences that will take the legacy and history of materials development in the Mahoning Valley and help it be globally competitive in the 21st century," the chancellor said.

He also said that, as with the approval of the proposed Ph.D. program, the creation of Eastern Gateway Community College (EGCC) is part of the plan to allow to YSU to meet its full potential.



Chancellor Fingerhut and President Anderson shake hands after the chancellor approved YSU's first Ph.D. program during a ceremony in Tod Hall.

The development of Eastern Gateway “is not only about filling the gap in what was, frankly, a geographic area in Ohio that was not served by community college education...but it was also to free up Youngstown State to position itself as the urban research university that this region so desperately needs it to become. And it’s through the partnership between Eastern Gateway and Youngstown State that we will fulfill all of the goals of higher education. “

Below is the full transcript of Fingerhut’s remarks.



*Ohio Board of Regents
Chancellor Eric D.
Fingerhut has on
campus Aug. 19 to
sign off on YSU’s new
Ph.D. in materials
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engineering. Here are
his full remarks:*

*Thank you so much,
Dr. Anderson. It’s my
first chance to be part
of a program with you*

since you’ve taken office, and I look forward to a long and terrific partnership together with the state of Ohio and Youngstown State under your leadership.

Good afternoon to all. I want to particularly acknowledge, as did Dr. Anderson, our colleague Dr. Laura Meeks, the president of Eastern Gateway Community College, as well as all of the trustees of both Youngstown State University and of Eastern Gateway. And, also, we have a trustee who serves both Eastern Gateway and the career centers, and of course Roan Craig too as well. Thank you all for being here—all the leadership of Youngstown State, deans and provosts and assistant provosts and all who are making this university grow and thrive—thank you very much for being here.

I also want to, of course, acknowledge and thank Representative Bob Hagan, the leadership of the Ohio General Assembly and particularly Representative Hagan’s leadership in keeping Youngstown State in the forefront of the higher education picture in Ohio. It’s critical to our success. Of course, Kim Carano is here representing Gov. Strickland. This has been an absolutely extraordinary effort lead by Gov. Strickland and the General Assembly to make sure that we understand that higher education is the driver of Ohio’s prosperity and this region’s prosperity in a global economy.

And then finally, you’ll be hearing from one of my bosses, Bruce Beeghly, a member of the Ohio Board of Regents. It is a great opportunity for me to say hello to Bruce and to acknowledge his contributions in what is really his home court. This is the Beeghly home court—his name is right there on the wall from having been a trustee and chairman of the board of Youngstown State. You contributed Bruce’s leadership to the Ohio Board of Regents for these past years, and he’s been a real mentor and colleague for me as we’ve been doing this work in Ohio.

I want to make sure that we all understand the importance of this announcement today, in this action that I’m going to take. I’ll let you in on a little secret—you’re not supposed to do this in

Dr. Anderson, and it would have had the same legal effect as what we're going to do here today. But that would have missed an opportunity to mark an historic moment in the history of this university and to understand why the establishment of the first Ph.D. program is, in fact, a historic moment for a university.

I need to walk back a moment or two with you into the role of higher education in the economy and the strategic plan that Dr. Anderson referred to that we have for higher education in Ohio and of course its implications for Youngstown State. Sometimes we see bits and pieces of the plan take effect, and we don't tie it all together. The future of our economy, as we understand, is to build the products and services that a growing consumer class around the world will want to consume. The steel that's made here, the products that are made here, the software that's made here are being sold to people and business in every corner of the globe. Every business here is competing with a business all over the world to see who will get to sell that product and that service. Now, we understand that in creating quality products, the workforce is a critical component, and we have always prided ourselves in the talented and committed, hardworking workforce that's available here in Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley. And this university is and will continue to train the workers who will build those quality products and provide those quality services. But it's also important to remember that the success of our businesses depends on being on the cutting edge of technology and innovation as well. I remember being at a manufacturer of aircraft engines, and they said to me, "Our future is in having materials that are lighter, that are quieter, and that are stronger each year than what we were able to sell the year before." They depend on the constant progress of innovation. The product doesn't stand still; the product has to improve all the time. And the basis for that improvement is right here at the research universities of our state.

Ohio is deeply blessed to have a legacy of university-based research that can help our industries create the products and services that will allow them to compete in a global economy. But we cannot leave out any corner of the state, nor will we leave out any corner of the state. It is critical that each of our universities carries the mantle of technology, of innovation, of research excellence into the work with its local business community, its statewide business community and into the global marketplace. That's why having a Ph.D. program in material sciences is so significant here at Youngstown State University.

What does a Ph.D. program bring? Well, of course it brings Ph.D. students who are the types of people who, when trained, become the chief scientific officers and technology officers of the companies that are competing from Youngstown in the global marketplace. But it also brings the faculty members, the researchers, who have the capacity to win research grants and to earn research investments from the businesses and industries—those folks don't come unless they can have a laboratory full of graduate students who are helping them work on their projects. So this is the beginning of not just a graduate program, where we'll attract students, it is the beginning of building the research capacity in the material sciences, in the hard materials, here at Youngstown State. That's why not too long ago, Gov. Strickland recognized material sciences here at Youngstown State as an emerging center of excellence for the state, because we are committed to helping this institution build a center of excellence in the material sciences that will take the legacy and history of materials development in the Mahoning Valley and help it be globally competitive in the 21st century.

It's also why the Strategic Plan for Higher Education recognized that higher education in Youngstown—if we wanted Youngstown State to meet its full potential—that we also had to develop in this region a community college. The development of Eastern Gateway Community College, which I've had the privilege of being in Youngstown to talk about several times, is not only about filling the gap in what was formerly a geographic area in Ohio that was NOT served

opportunity for the citizens of the Mahoning Valley, but it was also to free up Youngstown State to position itself as the urban research university that this region so desperately needs it to become. And it's through the partnership between Eastern Gateway and Youngstown State that we will fulfill all of the goals of higher education and that the citizens of this region will benefit from all of the goals of higher education.

And just so you don't think this is a random occurrence, I refer you to the strategic plan for higher education, to which Dr. Anderson referred, and particularly to page 48 where we describe the future of Youngstown State University. And this is, as Dr. Anderson mentioned now, about two and a half years old. But we said that (reading), "Youngstown State University must provide the Youngstown area with the talent and research base for the growth of new companies and industries to replace those that have been lost to a changing economy. "Now here's what to pay attention to because now you'll understand why today is so important. (Reading again) "Past practices in the state have discouraged the university from playing this vital role by restricting the growth of undergraduate and graduate programs that are an important component of a university's skill base. With the expansion of community college education in the region...Youngstown State will be better able to focus on its indispensable role in the economic rebirth of the Mahoning Valley. The state will encourage this role by authorizing," which is what we're going to do today, "and supporting undergraduate and graduate programs that focus on quality and have relevance to economic rebirth."

Ladies and gentlemen, together Eastern Gateway Community College and Youngstown State University are going to be, for this region, what the great higher education centers of the world are to their growing and thriving regions. We have every confidence that this first Ph.D. program that we are approving at Youngstown State will not be the last by far, but will simply mark the beginning of a new era for Youngstown State, in which the research and the innovation and the technology and the training of scientists takes its rightful place among the other urban research universities in our state. And collectively, all of them together, help drive Ohio's resurgence in the 21st century global economy.

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Students enter the new Williamson Hall on the first day of classes.

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New Williamson Hall opens for business; Old Williamson Hall renamed

The new Williamson Hall, home of the YSU Williamson College of Business Administration, is open for business.

University officials were joined by faculty, students, political leaders and others earlier this month to cut the ribbon on the \$34 million, 110,000-square-foot building located on Phelps Street between Rayen Avenue and Wood Street on the south side of campus.

President Cynthia E. Anderson said the three-story, state-of-the-art facility is more than just the latest building on YSU's ever-expanding campus. It's concrete evidence of the university's continued growth and dynamic evolution into a higher education institution of regional, national and even international consequence.

"This is yet another example of the university's and the community's commitment to providing our students the very best academic environment to help ensure their success," Anderson said.

The building encompasses nearly a full city block and is the largest single capital expenditure in the university's 102-year history. The facility also extends the YSU campus further southward, more closely connecting the university and the business college to the downtown district and providing a space that serves as a resource for both the community and the university.

In addition, the new Williamson Hall reflects continued support for the university from a growing

support construction of the new building. The rest of the funding came from state capital dollars. A lead gift of \$5 million, the largest in university history, was provided by the family of the late Warren P. Williamson Jr., founder of WKBN Broadcasting Corp. Tony and Mary Lariccia also gave \$4 million to the project.

In addition to upgraded classrooms, study lounges and office space, the building features a 200-seat auditorium, a four-room conference center, three computer labs, a financial services lab, a professional sales and business communication lab, a student entrepreneurship lab/incubator and an industrial history gallery, as well as a sky-lit atrium and a café with outdoor seating.

For photos and videos of the new building, visit the YSU homepage at www.ysu.edu.

Old Williamson renamed Lincoln Building

With the opening of the new Williamson Hall, the old Williamson Hall on Lincoln Avenue has been named the Lincoln Building.

This fall semester, classrooms on the first four floors of the building will be utilized for various university classes, said Rich White, YSU associate director of planning and construction. White said the Department of Mathematics and Statistics is expected to move into the top two floors of the building by the spring semester.



The old Williamson Hall has been renamed the Lincoln Building.

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President Anderson, standing in front of a photo of YSU students, presents her first State of the University in Kilcawley Center.

President Anderson: ‘Students are our lifeblood’

President Cynthia E. Anderson presented her first State of the University address in August to a crowd of more than 500 faculty, staff and students. Excerpts:

Students

“Students are our lifeblood – and they are why we come here every day and do our work. They chose to come to us. *We will not* fail them...It is my hope that in every decision we make, we will place our students at the center.”

Budget

“The Board of Trustees and I have embraced and will be promoting a more strategic culture which will guide our planning and our budgeting – how we actually link planning to budget and how we must fund new priorities without new dollars.”

Competition

“We, as an institution, cannot afford to do things the way they have always been done if we are to successfully compete with other institutions of higher learning in the 21st century. Realize that we are being invaded and attacked by for-profit institutions. They are promising an education, degrees and jobs. And they are calling upon us to justify our existence.”

Eastern Gateway Community College

“While we are still working on many of the details, please know that YSU and the Eastern Gateway have a strong working relationship...They are not our enemy – nor are they our competition.”

Community connections

“We will need to continue to be actively engaged in our community. We need to continue to partner with the community with our time, our talent, and on initiatives which are mutually beneficial to the region and the university.”

Expectations

“I will listen to you, and I want to hear your suggestions. I know that you are here for the betterment of YSU, our students, and our community. We will make our decisions together. Our budget and our processes will be transparent. I will be visible to you on campus and available to you. I will be truthful and faithful to you; and I will serve and represent this university well.”

To hear the full speech or read the full text, visit www.ysu.edu.

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Enrollment up

As promised, YSU President Cynthia E. Anderson was out of her office and on campus on the first day of fall semester classes on Aug. 23.

University officials say enrollment on the first day of fall semester was nearly 15,000. That's nearly 600 students more than last year, an increase of about 4 percent. If those numbers hold, it will be YSU's highest enrollment in nearly 20 years.



Final enrollment numbers will be reported later this month.



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Sundial ‘a fitting tribute to an amazing person’

A sundial located outside Ward Beecher Planetarium has been dedicated in the memory of the late Richard Pirko, a YSU alumnus and long-time technician and show producer at the planetarium.

“Rick’s passion for astronomy exposed thousands of people to the wonders of the universe,” said Warren Young, retired chair of the Department of Physics and Astronomy and former director of the planetarium.

“This is a fitting tribute to a very dedicated educator. He was an amazing person with a unique combination of talents. We feel his loss every day.”

Pirko worked as a member of the Department of Physics and Astronomy for more than 30 years, writing, producing and presenting planetarium shows to public school classes, college classes and the general public.

Shortly before his death in October 2008 at the age of 55, Pirko began experimenting with the idea of

constructing a “teaching sundial” to be used near the planetarium for students and the public. After Pirko’s death, family and the Department of Physics and Astronomy were determined to take over where Pirko left off, said Pat Durrell, planetarium director. “The sundial was purchased entirely with donations from Rick’s many friends and family,” Durrell said.



Friends and colleagues of the late Rick Pirko mill around a new sundial dedicated in his memory outside the YSU Ward Beecher Planetarium.

The sundial, crafted in the equatorial bow style, sits just outside the planetarium, between Ward Beecher Hall and Maag Library. The metal sundial was designed and built by Anthony Armeni from YSU's Department of Art. It can be adjusted for daylight savings time and standard time.

Last summer, an asteroid was dedicated in Pirko's honor. Between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter, Asteroid 2000 LS36 was officially renamed Asteroid Pirko by the International Astronomical Union.

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Roommate matching: Facebook and TLC

Several resident YSU students found more than just status updates and news-feed gossip on Facebook this summer—they found a roommate.

For the past three years, students have had the option of submitting applications, contracts and profiles electronically to Erin Driscoll, associate director of Residence Life, who then would match roommates by hand. For the first time this year, however, Housing and Residence Life took advantage of the popular social networking tool Facebook to get students active in roommate pairing.

“Our roommate-matching process is basically a mix of technology and TLC,” said Driscoll.

Students who applied for housing by the first deadline were given their building assignment and the option of joining the YSU Housing Roommate Finder group on Facebook. The group allows members to meet other students of the same gender and residence hall to see if they can strike up a connection. If two parties both show interest in rooming together, they’re assigned.

The group currently has 75 members—about 30 of whom ended up finding a roommate using the tool. “We’ll be tracking the success of our matches made via profiles and Facebook this year,” said Driscoll, “and we’re going to be paying close attention to the feedback so that we can better help guide students next year with the process.”



Erin Driscoll

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Faculty & Staff awards, publications, presentations

Ray Beiersdorfer, professor of Geological & Environmental Sciences, gave a talk about the Geologic and Human History of China to students and parents of The Gilmour Academy in Cedar Mills, Ohio.

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 the June 2010 issue of *International Journal of Sport Communication*.

William Greenway, professor, English, published in the summer 2010 issue of *ONEARTH* his poem, "Walking the Turtle Creek Mall." His poem, "Short-Term Memory Parking" was also published in *Karamu*, spring 2010, 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" in June 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, in July, 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."

Tammy A. King, associate dean of the Bitonte College of Health and Human Services, was recognized in June by the Mahoning County Juvenile Court, Judge Theresa Dellick presiding, for her "outstanding commitment and dedication to the students and families of the Mahoning Valley." King assists the court on two grant projects, policy development, and accreditation obtainment and retention from the American Correctional Association.

Jeffrey T. Coldren, professor, Psychology, recently 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.

Stephen E. Rodabaugh, interim associate dean of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, authored a paper entitled, "Necessity of Non-Stratified and Anti-Stratified Spaces in Lattice-Valued Topology, Fuzzy Sets and Systems," in *Fuzzy Sets and Systems*. Rodabaugh, with **Fatma Bayoumi** from the University of Benha in Egypt, will publish a second paper in the September issue of the journal entitled, "Overview and

Comparison of Localic and Fixed-Basis Topological Products.” Bayoumi did her part of the collaboration during the funded 2007–08 sabbatical year she spent at YSU with Rodabaugh and the faculty of the Institute for Applied Topology and Topological Structures in the College of STEM.

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 in July 8. 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.

Helen Guohong Han and **Tom Rakestraw**, assistant and associate professors of Management, advise the student organization YSU Chapter Society of Human Resources Management, which received the national-level Superior Merit Award in 2009-10.

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.

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Penguins begin Wolford-era with trip to Penn State

First-year head coach Eric Wolford takes his YSU Penguins into State College to face the Penn State Nittany Lions as the 2011 season kicks off noon Saturday, Sept. 4. Among the leaders of the team is senior defensive lineman Torrance Nicholson, below. The Penguins then return to Stambaugh Stadium for a three-game homestand Sept. 11 vs. Butler, Sept. 18 vs. Central Connecticut State and Sept. 25 vs. Southern Illinois. For more information, visit www.ysusports.com.



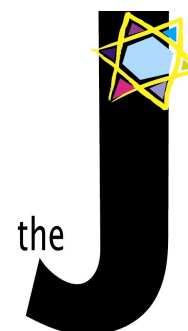


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YSU, JCC launch Jewish Community Center Cultural Arts Series

The YSU Dana School of Music Jazz Ensemble will be featured in the first performance of the new Jewish Community Center Cultural Arts Series at noon, Tuesday, Sept. 21, in the Jewish Community Center, 505 Gypsy Lane in Youngstown.

The performance kicks off a new partnership between the Jewish Community Center and YSU's College of Fine and Performing Arts.



Jewish Community Center

The Jazz Ensemble will perform big band favorites. The cost is \$7 for members of the Center and \$10 for non-members. Lunch will be provided.

For reservations, call 330-746-3251, Ext. 195.

Other performances in the Cultural Arts Series:

Tuesday, Oct. 19

YSU Dana Chorale

Lunch served

Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Location: Jewish Community Center multi-purpose room

Cost: \$7 for members and \$10 for non-members (\$12 after Oct. 14)

Tuesday, Nov. 2

YSU Jazz Combos

Special evening performance

A Taste of the Arts

Wine and cheese will be served

7:00 p.m.

Location: Jewish Community Center's multi-purpose room

Cost: \$5

YSU students and faculty may attend the concerts for free.

For more information, contact Jennifer McNeil, communications manager, Youngstown JCC at 330-746-3250 Ext. 187 or jmcneil@jccyoungstown.org.

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WATTS up!?

Workers recently began erecting the steel structure of the Watson and Tressel Training Site on the north side of campus along the Madison Avenue Expressway. The facility, known as WATTS, will be used as an indoor practice facility for various YSU intercollegiate athletic teams. It is expected to be completed early next year.

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Fund-raisers set to help YSU employee

Friends and colleagues of Marty Manning, YSU associate director of Student Life, are raising funds for a trust account for his three young children. Marty has been battling cancer for more than three years.

A benefit bike ride from YSU to Thiel College in Greenville, Pa., will be held Saturday, Sept. 4. The ride will leave the YSU campus at 9 a.m. Prior to the ride, an opening celebration and raffle will be held in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center. Guest speakers will share stories to honor Marty.

In addition, raffle items will be on display and tickets will be on sale 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 30 through Sept. 3 on the second floor of Kilcawley Center, with proceeds going to the trust fund.

Donations can be made via check or money order payable to the Dr. Martin T. Manning Cancer Fund and sent to Donna Greenaway in the Office of Student Affairs in Tod Hall. Donations can also be made at any branch of the Home Savings and Loan Co.

For more information, contact Donna Greenaway at 330-941-3533.



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Veterans Affairs sponsors 'Share the Fair'

YSU's Office of Veterans Affairs is giving some Canfield Fair goers a chance to film the fair for those serving in the military who cannot attend the annual event.

"It's called 'Share the Fair,' where people can send DVDs to loved ones who are deployed or far away and can't experience the fair for themselves," said Jim Olive, program manager of the Office of Veterans Affairs.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, and Sunday, Sept. 5, fairgoers can visit the Veterans Affairs table at the YSU tent and borrow one of several video cameras, which were donated by John Schupp, veterans affairs consultant in Ohio and the project's initiator, to film the sights and sounds of the fair. A driver's license will be required to sign out a camera.

After filming, cameras are returned to the tent along with the name and address of the recorder. Each file will later be downloaded to a laptop, burned to a DVD and sent to the mailing address provided so that families and friends can then send their DVDs to loved ones serving overseas.

This is the second year for "Share the Fair," and Olive said there is likely to be a new element added to the DVDs this year. He is hoping to record a 30- to 45-second introduction for the beginning of each video, thanking the recipients for their service and letting them know YSU is mindful of their commitment and sacrifice.

With an exceptional turnout last year for the project, Olive said he expects another successful year. "Everyone was excited and very thankful," he said. "We wanted to do it again this year because people appreciated it. We didn't do it for any recruiting, just as a nice thing to do for the families and the servicemen and women."

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Negro Spirituals concert kicks off Diversity Program Series



Sophia Brooks

Sophia Brooks, an internationally known vocalist who studied at YSU's Dana School of Music in the 1950s, will be performing on campus Sept. 2 to kick off the YSU Diversity Council's 2010-11 Community Diversity Program Series.

"An Evening of 19th Century Negro Spirituals," the first in the series, is set for 7 p.m. Sept. 2 in the Ford Theater at YSU's Bliss Hall. Event co-sponsors are YSU's Department of Theater and Dance, the Dana School of Music and the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Planning Committee.

Brooks, a Youngstown native who was educated in the Youngstown City Schools, YSU's Dana School of Music, and the Cleveland Institute of Music, said she created the musical program to showcase the rich heritage of Negro Spirituals. "I will never forget this moment," Brooks said of the opportunity to sing for the first time in YSU's Ford Theater. "This is a dream come true for me."

A soprano classical musician, Brooks has traveled throughout the United States and Europe and

was a soloist with Youngstown Symphony Choir. She also served for 14 years as community affairs director for WKBN TV-27 in Youngstown, where she hosted a regular program called "Expressions." She has performed as a soloist at several area churches and continues to serve the community as a voice instructor.

The concert will also include a historical narrative by the Rev. Dr. Lewis W. Macklin II and performances by For Grace, a Warren-based men's quartet, and by musician Wilbert Ervin. Ervin has played at the famous Apollo Theater and performed with such musical greats as the late Mahalia Jackson, the Mississippi Mass Choir, Mary Wells and Dorothy Norwood. He now plays for Great Liberty Baptist Church in Campbell.

Admission is free, but tickets are required and are available on a first-come basis, no more than four per person, beginning at 9 a.m. Aug. 30 at the information desk in YSU's Kilcawley Center. Parking will be available in the Wick Avenue Parking Deck, located across the street from the Butler Institute of American Art and Maag Library. Guests are encouraged to park on the third level. A nominal fee will be charged.

Other programs planned in September as part of the Diversity Program Series include:

- 10 a.m. Sept. 15, health care worker Carol Vitelli discusses “Health at Home,” OCCHA, 3600 Shirley Road, Youngstown.
- 6 p.m. Sept. 16, second annual Student Art Celebration, Newport Branch Library, 3730 Market Street, Youngstown. Exhibit continues through Sept. 21.
- 6 p.m. Sept. 28, Attorney Margaret W. Wong discusses her book, *The Immigrant’s Way – For All Immigrants, By an Immigrant*, at Newport Library, Youngstown.
- 6 p.m. Sept. 30, dialogue with Minnijean Brown Trickey, one of the nine African American students, known as the Little Rock Nine, who integrated an Arkansas public high school in 1957. Held at St. Columba Cathedral, Wood & Elm.

For more information, contact the YSU Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity, 330-941-3370, or visit www.ysu.edu/div_ysu for the entire program series schedule.

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Music at Noon announces September performances

YSU's Dana School of Music, in collaboration with the Butler Institute of American Art, presents Music at Noon performances this academic year.

Performances are Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. in the Butler Institute of American Art. The concerts are free and open to the public and parking is free at the Butler. Concerts conclude at the end of November and will resume again in the January.

Performances for September are:

Sept. 15 YSU Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble

Sept. 22 Jazz Combos

Sept. 29 Flute Studio Recital

For more information, call the Dana School of Music at 330-941-3636. For a complete calendar of events, visit <http://web.yzu.edu/fpa>.

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Summer Commencement 2010



Hundreds of students earned degrees at YSU's summer commencement in Beeghly Center in August. C. Reid Schmutz, right, president of the YSU Foundation, received an honorary degree and gave the commencement address.

Tiffany Talarico, above, who received a degree in communication studies, was the student speaker. And Bruce Sherman, below, a member of the board of the YSU Alumni



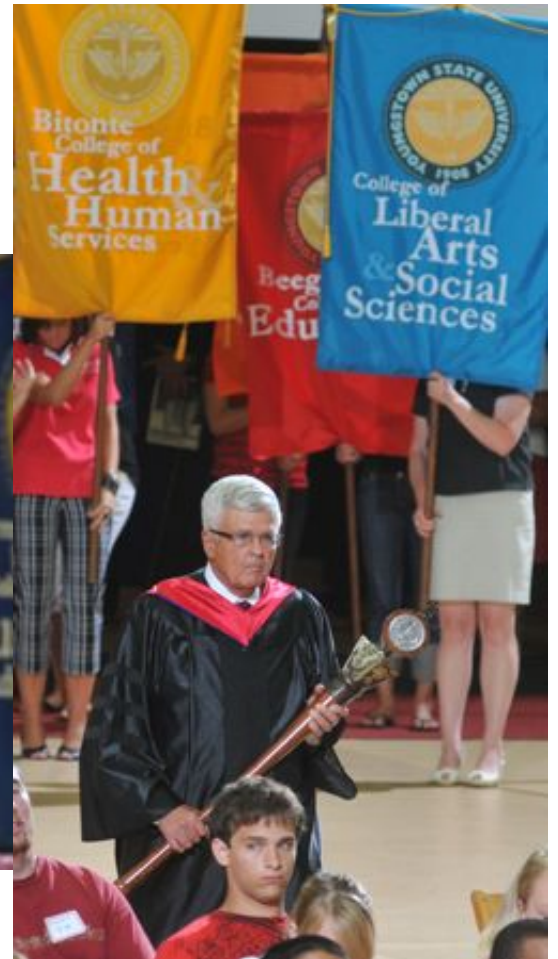
Society, presented graduates with "YSU Alumni" pins.



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Freshman Convocation 2010

YSU faculty and staff celebrated and welcomed the incoming class during Freshman Convocation last month in Beeghly Center. At right, Bill Binning, professor of political science, carries the University Mace into the ceremony. Below, Jack Fahey, interim vice president for Student Affairs, addresses the assembly.



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Society for Collegiate Journalists moves headquarters to YSU

Mary Beth Earnhardt, assistant professor of journalism, has been elected national executive director of the Society for Collegiate Journalists.



With the appointment, the national headquarters of the society has moved to the YSU campus and will officially open on Aug. 18.

“As SCJ enters its second century of service to journalists, we are deeply honored to be headquartered at Youngstown State University, where the practice of journalism enjoys a rich tradition and a bright future,” said Frank Barnas of Valdosta State University and SCJ president. “It is award-winning programs like YSU that serve as inspirations to journalists, faculty, and college students everywhere.”

Bill Ruehlmann, former SCJ president and executive director, added: “YSU is a distinguished academic institution with a vigorous free student press that it has long supported. Dr. Earnhardt is a seasoned member and officer of SCJ with an important record of scholarly acumen and professional integrity.”

SCJ was formed in 1975 as the result of the merger of two journalism honorary societies, Pi Delta Epsilon (founded in 1909) and Alpha Phi Gamma (founded in 1919). It is the nation’s oldest collegiate journalism honorary and has about 80 active chapters nationwide with 800 members.

Earnhardt, who earned a Ph.D. in communications studies from Kent State University in 2006, has served as national president of SCJ since 2006. Her term as executive director is four years.

At YSU, Earnhardt is adviser to the *Jambar*, the university’s student newspaper, as well as thejambar.com, and the *yo magazine. She is also a member of the editorial board for the *Ohio Communication Journal* and the editor of the Ohio Communication Association newsletter, *The Conversation*. She has published articles dealing with new media and teaching communication media and teaching communication.

Prior to Earnhardt’s election, former SCJ Executive Director Arthur H. Barlow visited YSU and met with Shearle Furnish, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, and Gary Salvner, chair of the English department. Furnish and Salvner agreed to host the office beginning in summer 2010.

For additional information consult the website at www.scj.us.

Sept. 3, 2010

Alumni Relations names new assistant director

Mollie (McGovern) Hartup has been named assistant director of Alumni Relations at YSU.

In the position, Hartup be making connections and planning events for YSU alumni, especially those no longer living in the Youngstown area.

Hartup earned two degrees at YSU – a bachelor’s in telecommunications and geography in 2002 and a master’s in business administration in 2004. She comes to the university from WFMJ-TV in Youngstown, where she was news assignment manager and the host/producer of a program called “Young in Youngstown.”

As an alumna, Hartup serves on the WYSU-FM Advisory Board, the YSU Magazine Advisory Board and the YSU Heritage Committee, and she helped organize the all-scholar alumni reunion in 2007. While a YSU student, Hartup served two years as a student trustee on the YSU Board of Trustees, was a University Scholar and president of the Scholars’ Board of Trustees.

Hartup expects to travel frequently in her new position. She said she’ll be organizing events in cities where there are concentrations of YSU alumni, then traveling to those cities to see the events through.

“There are concentrations of YSU alumni all over the country,” she said. “I’m excited to be back on campus, and I’m looking forward to connecting with and meeting as many alumni as possible.”

Contact Hartup at 330-941-3086 or at mahartup@ysu.edu.



Mollie (McGovern) Hartup

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YSU Board of Trustees sets September meetings

The YSU Board of Trustees has scheduled the following meetings:

Tuesday, Sept. 14 in the Ohio Room of Kilcawley Center.

- 1 p.m. Internal Affairs Committee
- 2 p.m. External Relations Committee
- 3 p.m. Academic and Student Affairs Committee
- 4 p.m. Trusteeship Committee

Tuesday, Sept. 21 in the Presidential Suites in Kilcawley Center.

- 1 p.m. Investment Subcommittee
- 2 p.m. Audit Subcommittee
- 3 p.m. Finance and Facilities Committee
- 4 p.m. Executive Committee