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Rookery Radio, YSU's new student-run, Internet radio station, launches 9 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9 at www.rookeryradio.com. YSU President Cynthia E. Anderson is the first guest. Read more in this week's YSU News Briefs.

Calendar

Tuesday, Feb. 8, 7 p.m. Panel discussion at the McDonough Museum of Art featuring

artist Hilton Murray, whose work is on display in the YSU Bliss Hall Gallery through the end of February. The event is part of YSU's African American History Month Celebration.

Wednesday, Feb. 9, 12:15 p.m. The YSU Dana School of Music's Clarinet Studio performs at free Music at Noon concert in the Butler Institute of American Art.

Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2 p.m. Open house for Rookery Radio, YSU's new Internet radio station.



Brooks Toliver

Thursday, Feb. 10. About 250 students from 25 middle and junior high schools participate in the 2011 MATHCOUNTS competition in YSU's Kilcawley Center. The popular Mathbowl competition begins at **2:15 p.m.**

Thursday, Feb. 10, 6:30 p.m. Brooks Toliver, professor of music at the University of Akron, lectures in Bliss Hall, Room 3026. A leading scholar on the relationship of music to nature, Toliver will present "The Alps, the *Alpine Symphony* and Environmentalism: Searching for Connections." The talk is part of the new Dana Musicology Lecture Series.

Thursday, Feb. 10, 7:05 p.m. YSU women's basketball team plays Butler in Beeghly Center. The women also play Valparaiso, **Saturday, Feb. 12, 7 p.m.** (Note: This game was originally scheduled for 1:05 p.m.)

Friday, Feb. 11. Business Ethics Week 2011 conference hosted by the YSU Williamson College of Business Administration. 9:30 a.m., Norm Meonske, professor emeritus from Kent State University; 10:25 a.m., break out sessions with Alan Tomhave and Mark Vopat from the YSU Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies; 11:20 a.m., Gabriel Palmer-Fernandez, professor and director of the YSU James Dale Ethics Center; 11:25 a.m., lunch; 12:30 p.m., keynote speaker, Diann Catanni. For additional information or to make reservations, call the Lariccia School of Accounting and Finance at 330-941-3084.

Friday, Feb. 11. Second Annual YSU Bitonte College of Health & Human Services Alumni Recognition Dinner in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center on the YSU campus. 5 p.m. hors d'oeuvres and cash bar; 6 p.m. dinner buffet and program. The cost is \$20 per person. Reservations are required and due by today, Feb. 7. For more information, call Heather Belgin at(330-941-1591 or e-mail habelgin@ysu.edu.



Alan Tomhave

Saturday, Feb. 12, noon to 7 p.m. The third annual Artists of the Rust Belt Winter Market, featuring nearly 50 regional artists, will at the B&O Station in Youngstown. A portion of all proceeds will be donated to YSU SMARTS-Students Motivated by the Arts. Admission is free. For more information, visit www.artistsoftherustbelt.com.

Student-run "Rookery Radio" debuts this week

Guest speakers and bands, giveaways and prizes, and a Launch Party at Peaberry's Café highlight this week's launch of Rookery Radio.

Broadcasting music, news, sports and other shows, Rookery Radio is YSU's first student-run Internet radio station. Listen today, Wednesday, Feb. 9 ant 9 a.m., at www.rookeryradio.com. Events throughout this week include:

- Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2 to 5 p.m. Open House on the fourth floor of the Youngstown Business Incubator on West Federal Street in downtown Youngstown. See the studio and sign up for a show.
- Thursday, Feb. 10, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Meet Rookery Radio in Kilcawley Center for prizes and giveaways.
- Friday, Feb. 11, 7 to 9 p.m. Launch Party at Peaberry's Café featuring Who Wants to Know, Rick Peece and J.I.

For more information, e-mail Rookery Radio at rookeryradio@gmail.com, or faculty adviser Adam C. Earnheardt at acearnheardt@ysu.edu.

Nonprofit center participates in Pay It Forward

The Center for Nonprofit Leadership at Youngstown State University, housed in the Williamson College of Business Administration, has received \$15,500 in grant funding from the Ohio Campus Compact to participate in the Pay It Forward: Strengthening Communities through Student-Led Philanthropy Initiative during the spring semester.

This is the second consecutive year that YSU has participated in the initiative, designed to help students learn how to be engaged citizens and to understand the important role philanthropy plays in the health of communities.

Under the grant, YSU has added a philanthropy component to three courses this semester. Students in each of the classes have \$4,500 to award to regional nonprofit organizations. Grants will be distributed in the amounts of \$1,500 to \$4,500. All students enrolled in the courses will also perform 15 hours of community service. Programs and projects that will be funded will be in seven categories: Disability Services, Family Issues, Fine & Performing Arts, Marketing/Public Relations, Poverty, Veteran Services, and Youth Development.

Interested nonprofit organizations in Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana counties need to apply by Friday, March 18. All nonprofit organizations receiving grant funding will be invited to participate in an award ceremony on campus the week of May 9.

This initiative is made possible through the effort of Ohio Campus Compact, in partnership with Kentucky Campus Compact and Michigan Campus Compact. Funding is made possible through the Corporation for National and Community Service (Learn and Serve America Higher Education) and Ohio Campus Compact.

The project continues to engage YSU business majors and nonprofit leadership students in professional development opportunities with the nonprofit community and fulfills WCBA's mission to prepare undergraduate and graduate students for productive and fulfilling careers as leaders in business, government, nonprofit organizations and society. The YSU Center for Nonprofit Leadership offers a certificate and a minor in Nonprofit Management and Leadership, which can be combined with any major on campus.

For more information on the Pay It Forward grant funding or the YSU Center for Nonprofit Leadership,

contact Laura McCaskey at 330-941-1870 or LJMcCaskey@ysu.edu.

Mad About the Arts fundraiser set for Feb. 25

Mad About the Arts, a benefit for the McDonough Museum of Art and the SMARTS-Students Motivated by the Arts program at Youngstown State University, is Friday, Feb. 25, at the museum on Wick Avenue.

The evening begins with a Friends of the Arts Preview at 6:30 p.m., followed by the Main Celebration at 7:30 p.m. Featured performers for the Friends



Second Avenue Project performs at this year's Mad About the Arts at the McDonough Museum of Art.

Preview is the Second Avenue Jazz quartet. Performing at the Main Celebration will be the Second Avenue Project.

The cost is \$80 for both the Friends Reception and the Main Celebration combined, and \$45 for the Main Celebration alone. For more information, contact SMARTS at 330-941-2787.

The McDonough is celebrating its 20th anniversary. On display throughout the museum's galleries will be the REUNION: An Alumni Invitational, an exhibit featuring the art of distinguished alumni from YSU's Department of Art.

The event is underwritten by the W.E. Bliss Foundation. Promotional assistance and support is provided by Channel 27 WKBN and Fox Youngstown, The Metro Monthly, City Printing, WYSU 88.5 FM and Trinkle Signs. Food and beverage sponsors include Aladdin's Eatery, Cafe Cimmento Italian Food and Wines, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Cassese's MVR, Clarencedale Cake, Giannios Candy, Chalet Premier, Lemon Grove Cafe, Mocha House, Thirsty Dog Brewing Co., Markko Vineyard, Mastropietro Winery, Tropea's Fine Pastry, Struthers Beer, Wine and Spirits.

STEM Awards Dinner is Feb. 17

Youngstown State University's third annual STEM College Awards Dinner is Thursday, Feb. 17, in the DeBartolo Stadium Club at YSU's Stambaugh Stadium.

The event by the YSU College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics honors distinguished alumni, educators and community leaders.

Reception begins at 6 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner and awards program at 7 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person and includes dinner. Corporate sponsorships are available for \$250 and include a table for eight and corporate listing.

For more information, contact the STEM dean's office at stem.dean@ysu.edu.

Students compete in bridge building on Feb. 25

More than 30 teams of students from 17 area high schools in Mahoning and Trumbull counties will compete in the fourth annual Mahoning Valley Miniature Bridge Building Competition 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday,



Feb. 25, in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center at Youngstown State University.

The competition, held during National Engineers'

Week 2011, is organized and supported by the YSU Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, the Mahoning County Engineer's Office, the Trumbull County Engineer's Office and ms consultants, inc.

The event involves design, construction and testing of a balsa wood bridge. The goal of the competition is to promote civil engineering as a career choice to students, and to provide students with an educational opportunity to apply their knowledge to a real-world application.

Students will construct bridges from 8:30 to 11:45 a.m. Bridges will be inspected and tested starting at 12:45 p.m. The winning bridge will be chosen based on meeting the design criteria and the most efficient

load carrying capacity to structure weight ratio. Prizes will be awarded to the winning teams at approximately 2:15 p.m.

YSU Women's Club offers scholarships

Application deadline is Feb. 25 for the Youngstown State University Women's Club and Martha K. Shuster YSU student scholarships.

The YSU Women's Club Scholarships, funded by the YSU Foundation endowment, members' donations, and fundraising efforts, are awarded annually based primarily on academic performance and need. This year, five \$1,000 Women's Club Scholarships will be awarded. Involvement with community organizations, YSU academic activities and a personal essay are also considered.

In addition, three \$1,000 scholarships are awarded annually in honor of the wife of Dr. Raymond Shuster, Martha, a past YSU Women's Club president. Academic performance is the primary requirement used in the selection process.

Scholarship applications are available at the YSU Women's Club web page under scholarships at www.ysu.edu/womensclub/. The deadline is Feb. 25.

The YSU Women's Club, founded in 1968, promotes YSU and provides scholarships to YSU students. The club also identifies community needs and the resources to meet those needs by cultivating social relationships and the opportunity for intellectual improvement. The YSU Women's Club is open to all university-affiliated women, including current and retired female employees and the wives, widows, and female life/domestic partners of current or retired employees.

To join the YSU Women's Club, contact Melanie Loew, membership chair, at mjloew@ysu.edu or visit the YSU Women's Club web page at www.ysu.edu/womensclub/. Scheduled events for the remainder of the academic year include the spring luncheon and the Scholarship Awards Luncheon.

Ring Banquet funds athletic scholarships

The Youngstown State Penguin Club hosts the 21st annual Scholarship Ring Banquet on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at Mr. Anthony's in Boardman. The dinner begins at 6:15 p.m. followed by the program at 7:30 p.m.

At the banquet, the Penguin Club will present Penguin of the Year awards to the O'Leary Family and to Drs. Michael & Dianne Miladore.

Individual tickets are available for \$100. Full-table (\$800) and half-table (\$500) packages are also available. Individuals can also sponsor a student-athlete dinner for \$25. To purchase tickets, contact 330-941-2351 or 330-941-3720 or tmorella@ysu.edu.

Proceeds from the dinner fund YSU's athletic scholarship program and raise money to provide championship rings for student-athletes and coaches.