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This Week

Monday, Feb. 13, 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Free income tax preparation assistance through the VITA program at Williamson Hall. Another session is planned for **Saturday, Feb. 19, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** For more information, call, 330-941-3084.

Monday, Feb. 13, 7:30 p.m. Heidi Darrow, the New York Times best-selling author of "The Girl Who Fell From the Sky," speaks in the Jones Room of Kilcawley Center as part of YSU's African American History Month celebration. The address is titled "The Biracial Mixed Experience." Free.

Thursday, Feb. 16, 7:05 p.m. Women's basketball team takes on Milwaukee in Beeghly Center.

Thursday, Feb. 16, 7:30 p.m. Ray Charles Robinson Jr., the oldest son of music icon Ray Charles, speaks in Kilcawley Center on campus as part of the Skeggs Lecture Series. The topic of the lecture is "Character, Education, Self-Reliance and Intellectual Independence." Free. In addition, Robinson will attend a screening of the movie about his father, "Ray," at **2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16** in the auditorium of Williamson Hall at YSU. The screening and question-and-answer session are free and open to the public.

Saturday, Feb 18, 7:30 p.m. Prospect Theatrics presents "The Faces of Black History" in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center, as part of YSU's African American History Month celebration. The New Jersey dance troupe has performed all over the nation highlighting the major contributions of African Americans to American history and culture. This year's production includes a tribute to Michael Jackson and a salute to the Tuskegee Airmen.

Saturday, Feb. 18. The Biennial Faculty Exhibit opens at the McDonough Museum of Art. See News Brief below.

Sunday, Feb. 19. The YSU Penguin Club honors Dennis and Janet Haines as Penguins of the Year at the 22nd Annual Scholarship Ring Banquet at Mr. Anthony's in Boardman. See News Brief below.



"ferris wheel" by YSU art faculty member Charmaine Banach is part of the Biennial Faculty Exhibit at the McDonough Museum of Art. The exhibit opens Feb. 18 and runs through March 16. Read more in this edition of the YSU News Briefs.

Faculty exhibit opens at McDonough on Saturday

The works of three new members of the art faculty at Youngstown State University will be featured in the Biennial Faculty Exhibit at the McDonough Museum of Art starting Saturday, Feb. 18.

The exhibition, which runs through March 16, will display selected works in various media by Charmaine Banach, Stephen Chalmers and Richard Helfrich. The museum is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays. Admission is free.

Banach earned a master's in fine arts in Design from the University of Iowa. She also attended the Savannah College of Art and Design with an Artist Scholarship and earned a master's in Interactive Media Design. Before coming to YSU, Banach was an Instructor at the University of Iowa and taught web and graphic design classes. In February and March of 2010, one of her interface designs for an iPhone App called Memorize Words was ranked in the top four selling applications.

Chalmers earned a master's in fine arts in Cinema and Photography from Southern Illinois University. He was the Northwest Regional Chair for the Society for Photographic Education for two terms and was professor of Photography and Digital Media in the state of Washington for eight years before joining YSU as a professor of Photography. His work is in several collections including the Museum of Contemporary Photography, Light Work, Polaroid, and the Getty Research Institute. Chalmers has also been a contributor to five books, and has been in group and solo exhibitions throughout the United States, Australia, Ireland, British Columbia, Thailand, England, South Africa and China.



"JC-Multi-V1" by YSU art faculty member Stephen Chalmers is part of the Biennial Faculty Exhibit in the McDonough Museum of Art.

A practicing graphic designer, Richard Helfrich graduated with a master's in fine art and master of arts in Graphic Design from Savannah College of Art and Design. Prior to joining the YSU faculty, Helfrich was an assistant professor in the Department of Graphic & Communication Design at La Roche College, where he served as department chair. He currently operates a branding and web design company in conjunction with Echo Strategies and Zola Design in Pittsburgh. He is also a member of AIGA, the professional association for design, and served as a board member for the Pittsburgh chapter from 2009 to 2011.

Lucky Penguin to win Chevy Cruze

A Youngstown State University employee will go home Monday, Feb. 13, with a two-year lease on a Chevy Cruze courtesy of Sweeney Chevrolet Buick GMC.

The United Way of Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley will hold a press conference to announce the winner at 10 a.m. in the Presidential Suite of Kilcawley Center on the YSU campus. YSU raised \$40,310 for the United Way in this year's campaign.

Representatives from the United Way's staff and executive committee, as well as 2011 Campaign Chair, YSU President Cynthia E. Anderson, will attend to announce the results of the 2011 campaign.

In addition to the Cruze lease, the United Way will announce winners of two Air Tran airline tickets courtesy of Traveline Travel Services and a 42" Plasma HDTV donated by Semach's Northside TV.



For more information, contact Tara Mady, director of Marketing and Communications, United Way of Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley, 330-746-8494 or 330.770.3540) Fax: 330.746.4525 or tmady@ymvunitedway.org.

YSU's HR program gets national nod

The Society for Human Resource Management has confirmed that Youngstown State University's bachelor's degree in Human Resource Management fully aligns with SHRM's curriculum requirements as outlined in *HR Curriculum Guidebook and Templates*.

The Williamson College of Business Administration Department of Management, which houses the HR program, redesigned the curriculum as part of an overall, college-wide effort to refine formal educational components to match professional requirements. SHRM publishes curriculum guidelines to provide colleges and universities with a resource for tracking HR curricula against a common skill set needed by employers who seek to fill HR professional positions.



SHRM's recognition of the HR major comes on the heels of the college's reaffirmation of accreditation by the Association for the Advancement of Collegiate Schools of Business. The HR program at YSU joins only 52 schools in the nation and six in Ohio in holding both SHRM recognition and the AACSB accreditation.

"This recognition further highlights the rigor and quality of our program," said Jacob Breland, assistant professor of Management. "Considered in the broader context of our dedicated faculty, supportive professional community, enthusiastic students, and award-winning student chapter of SHRM, this provides further evidence of the professional competencies and knowledge

our students bring to their employers."

The redesigned WCBA HR curriculum included revamping existing coursework and creating new ones to better meet the needs of both employers and students. As a result, students majoring in HR can expect to be introduced to the major via a survey course designed to create a broad awareness to HR processes, followed by specialization courses in labor law and negotiations, compensation and performance appraisal, and selection and training. Two new courses have been created to serve as capstone experience for HR majors: Strategic HR Management and Projects in HR. Through the emphasis of a hands-on approach, students completing the requirements of the HR major will have a portfolio of experiences from which they can showcase their competencies to potential employers.

The mission of the Williamson College of Business Administration is to prepare undergraduate and MBA students for productive and fulfilling careers as leaders in business, government, nonprofit organizations, and society. The college houses 1,800 undergraduate students, 100 MBA students and 45 full-time faculty.

The Society for Human Resource Management is the world's largest association devoted to human resource management, representing more than 250,000 members in more than 140 countries. Throughout the world, 252 programs in 202 educational institutions have been acknowledged by SHRM as meeting its curriculum standards at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

YSU Board of Trustees sets meetings

The Youngstown State University Board of Trustees meets on the following schedule (all meetings are in the Trustees Meeting Room on the first floor of Tod Hall unless otherwise noted):

Thursday, Feb. 23: Noon, Board Luncheon, President's Conference Room, Second floor, Tod Hall; 1 p.m., Collective Bargaining and Negotiations Subcommittee, 2 p.m., Intercollegiate Athletics Subcommittee, 2:30 p.m., University Affairs Committee; 3:30 p.m., Institutional Engagement Committee; 4 p.m., Trusteeship Committee.

Tuesday, Feb. 28: Noon, Board Luncheon, President's Conference Room, second floor, Tod Hall; 1 p.m., Academic Quality and Student Success Committee; 2 p.m., Investment Subcommittee; 3 p.m., Audit Subcommittee; 4 p.m., Finance and Facilities Committee; 5 p.m., Executive Committee.

Wednesday, March 14: 3 p.m. Regular quarterly meeting of the board.



Business college hosts MBA session Feb. 20

Youngstown State University's Williamson College of Business Administration hosts a Master of Business Administration Information Session at 5:45 p.m., Monday, Feb. 20, in Roon 3418 of Williamson Hall.

YSU's Flexible MBA allows students to pursue their degree either part-time or full-time. Classes are offered one night a week. Some MBA courses are offered in eight-week blocks. Students may start any term – fall, spring or summer. The MBA program is accredited by AACSB International, which represents the highest standard of achievement for business schools worldwide.

For application information, contact Monique Bradford at 330-941-3069 or email mrbradford@ysu.edu.

Penguin Club honors Haines

The Youngstown State University Penguin Club honors Dennis and Janet Haines as Penguins of the Year at the 22nd Annual Scholarship Ring Banquet Feb. 19 at Mr. Anthony's in Boardman.

Doors for the event open at 6 p.m., the buffet will start at 6:15 p.m. and the program is set to begin at 7:30 p.m.

For tickets contact Tom Morella at 330-941-2351 or Jim Morrison at 330-941-3270. Full tables of eight are \$800. A scholarship dinner package of four tickets, a student-athlete sponsored dinner and an autograph ball is \$500. Individual tickets are \$100, and a student-athlete sponsored dinner is \$25. Program advertising is also available by calling 330-941-7227.

All funds go directly to YSU athletics.

Dennis Haines is the managing partner of the law firm Green Haines Sgambati in Youngstown. He is a 1959 graduate of Ohio University and a 1962 graduate of George Washington University Law School. He saw his first YSU football game in the early 1950s at Rayen Stadium and has been a YSU sports fan for nearly 60 years. Together, the Haines' have witnessed many milestones in YSU athletics history. They were in Statesboro, Ga., in 1991 when the Penguins defeated Marshall to win their first-ever FCS National Championship. They made the trip to Penn State to see the women's basketball team play their first NCAA Tournament game in 1996. They also were on hand to celebrate at Eastwood Field when the baseball program won the Horizon League Championship in 2004. Among the first sporting events their grandchildren attended were YSU football, basketball and baseball games. They sponsor the Haines Family Player of the Game as selected by the YSU radio broadcasters and have an endowed the Atty. Dennis and Janet Haines Scholarship.



Dennis and Janet Haines