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Calendar

Tuesday, Aug. 31, 8 a.m. The YSU Strategic Planning Steering Committee meets in the Board of Trustees Meeting Room in Tod Hall. The 51-member committee is developing a strategic plan to lead the university to the year 2020.

Thursday, Sept. 2, 7 p.m. "An Evening of 19th Century Negro Spirituals" in the Ford Theater in Bliss Hall. It is the kickoff of the YSU Diversity Council's 2010-11 Community Diversity Program Series. The event features vocalist Sophia Brooks, who studied at the Dana School of Music. Admission is free, but tickets are required and are available at the information desk in Kilcawley Center. Call 330-941-3370.

Friday, Sept. 3, 4 p.m. YSU soccer opens the home season against Howard University in Stambaugh Stadium. The team faces University of Missouri-Kansas City noon, Sunday, Sept. 5, also in Stambaugh.

Sept. 3 and 4. YSU volleyball hosts the YSU Invitational tournament in Beeghly Center. Participants include YSU, Howard, Niagara and Central Michigan. For more information, visit www.ysusports.com.

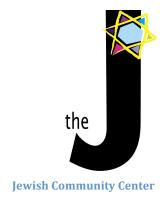
Saturday, Sept. 4, 9 a.m. Bicyclists ride from Youngstown to Greenville, Pa., to help raise funds for Marty Manning, associate director of Student Life at YSU. Manning has been battling cancer for more than three years. For more information, contact Marvin Hill at 330-646-1400, Brian Wells at bpwells@ysu.edu or Donna Greenaway at 330-941-3533.

Sept. 4, 12:05 p.m. Penguin football squad opens the 2010 season in Beaver Stadium against the Penn State.

YSU, JCC launch Jewish Community Center Cultural Arts Series

The Youngstown State University 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.



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** <u>imcneil@jccyoungstown.org</u>.

Veterans Affairs sponsors 'Share the Fair'

Youngstown State University'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."

YSU Board of Trustees sets September meetings

The Youngstown State University 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

Cellist, pianist featured in guest performance

Youngstown State University will host performances by guest artists Jeffrey Singler (cello) and Elizabeth DeMio (piano) 8 p.m., Monday, Aug. 30, in Bliss Recital Hall.

Featured will be selections by Beethoven, Claude Debussy and more.

Singler is a professional cellist and teacher who currently performs with the Walden Players, Obsidian String Quartet, Erie Philharmonic, Columbus Symphony and is also Principal Cello of the Valley Lyric Opera. Singler has also performed with other orchestras in the area, including the Canton Symphony, Warren Philharmonic and

Youngstown Symphony.

Elizabeth DeMio

DeMio is well known as a collaborative pianist, recitalist and soloist in the Cleveland area. In addition to appearing in more than 100 concerts annually with local aspiring musicians, she performs frequently with soloists and has toured and given master classes throughout the United States, Korea and Mexico. As a soloist, DeMio performs often with the Trinity Cathedral

Chamber Orchestra, a group in Cleveland that follows the tradition of daytime concerts in the great cathedrals of London.



Jeffrey Singler

For more information, contact the Dana School of Music at 330-941-3636.