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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - A special exhibit at Youngstown State University's Maag Library displays many objects representing aspects of the Lewis and Clark Expedition and focuses on Dr. James P. Ronda's book, Lewis and Clark among the Indians, a Pulitzer Prize nominee. The exhibit will continue through Jan. 31.

Lewis and Clark among the Indians, a study of official and personal relationships of the expedition and the various Indian tribes they encountered, was nominated for the award by the University of Nebraska Press, publishers of the new book.

Copies of original drawings of maps of the West highlight the display. One, drawn in 1797, depicts the West before Lewis and Clark. Since the original mapmaker was unaware of the Rocky Mountains' existence, they were not included. A copy of a typical Clark field map is also displayed. William Clark produced this map from personal observations, substituting fact for fiction.

Objects adding atmosphere and flavor to the exhibit are also displayed. Included are photographs of flora and fauna as seen by Lewis and Clark and various types of trinkets used for trading with the Indians.

The exhibit is open to the public and can be viewed Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 to 5, and Sunday from 1 to 9 p.m. in the lobby of the library, which is located on Wick Avenue adjacent to Butler Institute of American Art.

Dr. James P. Ronda of Boardman is a Youngstown State University history professor.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Patricia A. Tkacik of Rapp Road, New Middletown, an alumna of Youngstown State University, has been named executive director of the YSU Alumni Association.

She will begin her duties at the post Feb. 1, according to Ralph I. Dillon of Canfield, president of the Alumni Association Board of Directors. Dr. Lawrence E. Looby, University vice president-public services, has been serving as acting director since the resignation of Judith Parmenter Pielemeier.

Miss Tkacik graduated from YSU in June 1983, summa cum laude, with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree. She majored in marketing management.

Since August of 1983 she has been sales administrator/analyst for Superior Beverage Co. and M & A Distributing Co., Youngstown.

Miss Tkacik was a sales specialist and assisted in training at the J.C. Penney Co., 1977-83, and while attending YSU was also a library assistant at the University's Maag Library, 1982-83.

She won class honors all four years at YSU, received the "Distinguished Student in Business Award," was named "Marketing Student of the Year," was on the Dean's List, held a Youngstown State University Foundation Scholarship for four years, and was listed in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." She was recipient of the Wall Street Journal Award during her senior year.

She served as president of Alpha Mu Business Fraternity for two years, was president of the Williamson School of Business Honorary Society, a member of

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the Major Events Entertainment Committee, was on the Curriculum and Dean's Advisory Boards of the School of Business, and was a member of Phi Kappa Phi, national honors society for achievement. She is currently an associate member of the American Marketing Association.

Miss Tkacik is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tkacik, Rapp Road, New Middletown. She graduated from Cardinal Mooney High School, Youngstown, in 1977.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - "The Olympics as an Educational Opportunity," a special workshop featuring two Olympic Gold Medal winners, will be held Saturday, Feb. 16, at Youngstown State University.

The program, developed by the U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC) Education Council, is open to all area school administrators, curriculum directors, classroom teachers, physical education teachers and special subject teachers and parents.

The workshop staff will include: Herb Drummond and Betty Collins of the Ohio State Department of Education's Division of Elementary and Secondary Education; Harrison Dillard, educator, member of the Cleveland Board of Education, and former Olympic track star who won two Gold Medals in 1948 and two more in the 1952 Olympics; Pete Rademacher of the Kiefer McNeil Corp., Medina, who won the Olympic heavyweight boxing division in 1956 with a rare three consecutive knockouts en route to his Gold Medal; and Jack Neville, faculty member of the Health and Physical Education Department at Youngstown State University.

Richard L. Walker of Poland, instructor in YSU's Department of Health and Physical Education, is workshop coordinator. The department is part of the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

Dr. David P. Ruggles, Boardman, dean of the YSU School of Education, will welcome participants at 9:30 a.m. in the Beeghly Center gym following registration and an opening ceremony which will include a dance program directed by Ms. Karen Allgire, of the Health and Physical Education Department. The sessions will run until 4 p.m.

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The three curriculum guides developed by the USOC offer enrichment units for students in grades Kindergarten through 6, 7-9, and senior high school.

Aim of the program is to teach young people the wholesome values (called Olympism) of the modern Olympic games. Its goals are to capture students' interest in the drama and excitement of the games and the worldwide Olympic movement, and to enrich the teaching of language arts, social studies, physical education, science, foreign language study, mathematics, music, arts, and health education.

The program also seeks to educate youth in the spirit of Olympism and to provide a deeper meaning of the games and competitive sports, and to motivate students, teachers, coaches and community leaders to incorporate Olympism principals in sports and society.

For those taking the workshop, the fee for undergraduate or post baccalaureate Ohioans is \$38. For non-residents it is \$65.

In addition to this workshop, there will be a follow-up session on campus and individual conferences at participants' schools on implementing the program in classes.

For further information and registration, contact Richard L. Walker, YSU Department of Health and Physical Education, phone (216) 742-3300.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - WYSU-FM (88.5), Youngstown State University's fine arts radio station, will air "Otello," Giuseppe Verdi's greatest tragic opera, at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, live from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera.

The cast for this broadcast features Margaret Price as Otello's wife, Desdemona; Placido Domingo as the Moor, Otello; Jean Kraft as Emilia; Sherrill Milnes as the villainous Iago; William Lewis as Cassio; and Gwynn Howell as Lodovico, with James Levine conducting.

During the first intermission, George Jellinek will discuss Shakespeare, Verdi, and "Otello." The "Opera Quiz" will be featured in the second intermission, and Tatiana Troyanos, mezzo-soprano, will talk with Richard Mohr, producer of the Intermission Features for Texaco, during the final intermission.

"Otello," created from Shakespeare's play of the same title, is considered by many to be the greatest Italian opera ever written.

The announcer for this "Met" production is Peter Allen.

The Metropolitan Opera is broadcast by the Texaco/Metropolitan Opera Radio Network and National Public Radio affiliates.

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