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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - The Planetarium at Youngstown State University has had to cancel its public programs for the remainder of the year due to renovations in Ward Beecher Science Hall.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Youngstown State University's Dr. Juanita Roderick of Boardman and Mrs. Patricia Jackson, graduate assistant, will present their

research findings on television habits and opinions of 90 Mahoning County gifted

Middle School children at the annual conference of the Ohio Association for

Gifted Children.

The program, designed for parents of gifted children, educators, administrators and other advocates for the education of gifted children, will be held April 12 and 13 at Stouffer's Inn on the Square in Cleveland.

Dr. Roderick, professor in the School of Education's Department of Elementary Education and Reading, is OAGC president-elect.

She will also speak on "Parenting the Young Gifted Child, 3 to 5 Years," at the annual conference of the National Council for Exceptional Children April 25 in Anaheim. Calif.

She is coordinator of the YSU Gifted/Talented Education Specialist Program and "Saturday Treasures on Campus" for area gifted children. Dr. Roderick serves on the Ohio Inter-University Council which is lobbying for teacher certification and increased funding for academically gifted children in Ohio.

Dr. Roderick joined the YSU faculty in September 1965. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Education degree from YSU, a Master of Science degree in Education from Westminister College, New Wilmington, Pa., and a doctorate from the University of Akron.

Additional information on the Cleveland conference of the Ohio Association for Gifted Children may be obtained by contacting Dr. Roderick at YSU at 742-3251.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Youngstown State University's Office of Continuing

Education will offer a course for homeowners who are considering remodeling

projects. "Home Remodeling," will be held on the YSU campus beginning April 4.

Topics to be covered include: steps in the planning process; plan preparation; zoning and building code considerations; contractor selection and control. There will also be instruction on how a homeowner can save money by personally performing some, or all, of the work.

The instructor for the course will be Herbert D. Moore of Poland, who is a designer with the University Facilities Office at YSU. The classes will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Thursday evenings, April 4 through May 2.

The fee for the course is \$55.

For further information, or to register, call the YSU Office of Continuing Education, B087, Cushwa Hall, at (216) 742-3358 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - "The Olympics as an Educational Opportunity," a special workshop at Youngstown State University featuring two Olympic Gold Medal winners, has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 30.

The workshop had originally been scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 16, but was cancelled due to bad weather.

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

Workshop staff members 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 the Gold Medal; and Jack Neville, faculty member of the Health and Physical Education Department at Youngstown State University.

The workshop is being coordinated by Richard L. Walker of Poland, an instructor in the Health and Physical Education Department in YSU's College of Arts and Sciences.

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

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