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"Rescind: Bird in Rubble" is the name of this work by Pittsburgh artist Susanne Slavick, whose work is featured in the exhibit "Cinder" that opens in the McDonough Museum of Art on Friday, Sept. 17. Read more about the exhibit in this edition of YSU News Briefs.

Tuesday, Sept. 14. The YSU Board of Trustees meets in the Ohio Room of Kilcawley Center on the following schedule:

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. 14, 7 p.m. YSU volleyball team plays Kent State in Beeghly Center.

Wednesday, Sept. 15, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The American Red Cross blood drive will be in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center on the YSU campus.

Wednesday, Sept. 15, 12:15 p.m. The YSU Dana School of Music's Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble is featured in a free Music at Noon concert in the Butler Institute of American Art.

Thursday, Sept. 16, 8:30 a.m. to noon. The Mahoning River Corridor Initiative is sponsoring an event for businesses, property owners and other parties interested in networking with local and state organizations and agencies about the economic development resources and opportunities available in the Mahoning River corridor. “Developing Connections” will be in the new Williamson Hall at YSU. For more information, contact Dan Mamula, MRCI manager, at dcmamula@ysu.edu or 330-941-1850.

Friday, Sept. 17, 6 to 8 p.m. The YSU McDonough Museum of Art hosts a reception for artist Susanne Slavick, whose exhibit opens at the museum. See News Brief for more information.

Saturday, Sept. 18, 6 p.m. YSU football team takes on Central Connecticut State at Stambaugh Stadium.

Sunday, Sept. 19, 4 p.m. The Dana Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of John Wilcox, presents a concert featuring works of Mozart, David Diamond, Puccini and YSU’s own Brendan Considine. The free concert is in Bliss Recital Hall on the YSU campus. For more information, call 330-941-3636.

YSU seniors named John D. Beeghly Fellows

Sarah Stafford of Boardman, Ohio, and Michael Turner of Baden, Pa., seniors in the Williamson College of Business Administration at Youngstown State University, have been selected as the John D. Beeghly Fellows for the 2010 fall semester.

The John D. Beeghly Fellows program provides students with career-related work experience with businesses in the region. Stafford and Turner will each receive a \$2,400 scholarship and will have the opportunity to work on a variety of business-related projects with clients of the Ohio Small Business Development Center at YSU. Projects may include market research, customer satisfaction surveys, export readiness studies, business plan development, market analysis, cost analysis and cash flow projections.



Sarah Stafford

The Fellows Program is made possible by an endowment established at the YSU Foundation by Mr. Beeghly’s wife and children. John David Beeghly was a lifelong resident and businessman in Youngstown, and son of area industrialist and philanthropist, Leon A. Beeghly. From 1967 until his death, Beeghly served as vice president and director of Standard Slag Co. and Stancorp, Inc., a holding company for industrial businesses.

“We are extremely grateful to the John D. Beeghly Family for making this generous investment in our business students,” said Betty Jo Licata, WCBA dean. “Providing our students with career-related experience contributes to the success of our regional businesses and the professional preparation of our students.”

Sarah Stafford of Boardman has taken an active role in her education by participating in a number of university groups while maintaining two part-time jobs and making the Dean’s List. She

works as the chief of staff for the Student Government Association and as a sales associate at Joann Etc. Her studies have included a marketing major at YSU and a Spanish language minor. She has participated in the following university groups: Student Government Association, American Marketing Association, Spanish Club, Economics Club, Youngstown Business and Professional Women's Club. In July 2009, she joined the WCBA's China Study Abroad tour. Most recently, she participated in a four-week individual study abroad session in Argentina where she enhanced her Spanish speaking skills.

Michael Turner of Baden, Pa., is an accounting major who most recently worked as the international business intern with the Regional Chamber. His university honors and participation include: WCBA Student Advisory Council, Beta Alpha Psi Honorary Society, American Marketing Association, Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society, Dean's List, YSU Scholar Athlete for golf, Horizon League Academic All-Team and Evans Scholarship Recipient. Last winter, he participated in the WCBA London/Dublin Study Abroad tour.



Michael Turner

Founder of 'Lucy' skeleton, lectures Sept. 23

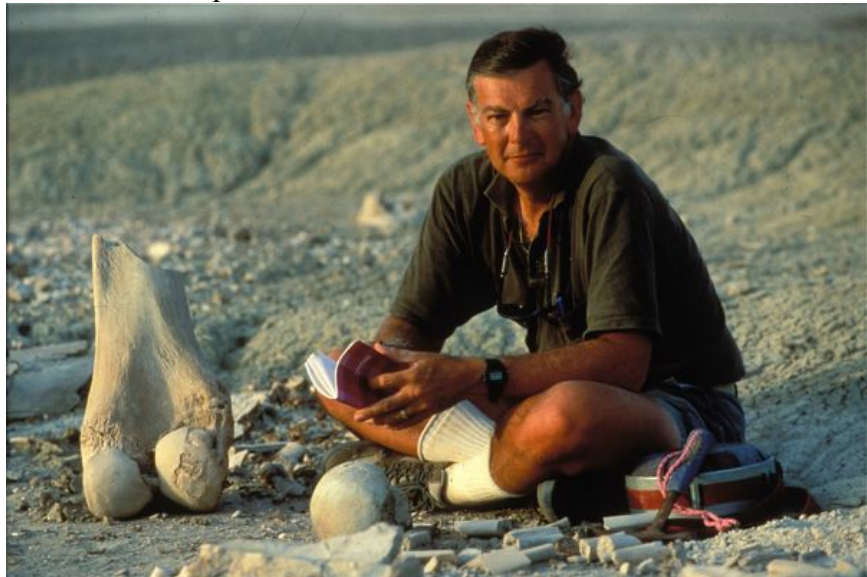
Renowned American paleoanthropologist and author Donald Johanson will present a lecture 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23 in the Ford Family Recital Hall of the DeYor Performing Arts Center in downtown Youngstown.

Question-and-answer and book-signing sessions will follow.

The talk is free and open to the public, but tickets are required. Tickets will be available at the Information Center in Kilcawley Center beginning 8 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 16. Four tickets per person maximum.

Johanson is the current and founding director of the Institute of Human Origins at Arizona State University. In his 30 years of field and lab research in paleoanthropology, he is most notably credited with the co-discovery of the female skeleton "Lucy," estimated to have lived more than 3 million years ago. The finding of this hominid led to several books

co-written by Johanson, including the widely read *Lucy: The Beginnings of Humankind*. Johanson holds a



Donald Johanson

master's degree and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago and honorary doctorates from Case Western Reserve University and Westfield State College.

The lecture is sponsored by the YSU Center for Applied History, YSU Peace and Conflict Resolution Studies, YSU Biology Department, YSU Dale Ethics Center, the YSU Colleges of CLASS and STEM, the YSU Office of the Provost, the Anthropology Colloquium, YSU Alumni and Phi Kappa Phi.

Presidential installation is Sept. 24 in Stambaugh

Cynthia E. Anderson will be officially installed as the seventh president of YSU during a ceremony 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, in Stambaugh Auditorium. A reception will follow in the Stambaugh Auditorium Ballroom.

Students, faculty, staff and the general public are invited.

The ceremony will include remarks from Anderson and from Zach Brown, former president of YSU Student Government. Board of Trustees Chairman Scott Schulick, Provost Ikram Khawaja and Chet Cooper, professor of biological sciences and chair of the YSU Academic Senate, are also scheduled to speak.

Anyone planning to attend the installation is asked to contact Heather Belgin in the Office of Alumni and Events Management at 330-941-3497 or habelgin@ysu.edu.

Anderson, formerly YSU vice president for Student Affairs, became president July 1. She is the first YSU graduate, first woman and first Mahoning Valley native to serve as the university's chief executive.

Pulitzer reporter lectures on the end of literacy

Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter and best-selling author Chris Hedges, former foreign correspondent of *The New York Times*, presents "Empire of Illusion: The End of Literacy and the Triumph of Spectacle" as part of the 2010-11 Dr. Thomas and Albert Shipka Speaker Series at Youngstown State University.



Hedges, who charts the dramatic and disturbing rise of post-literate American society that craves fantasy, ecstasy and illusion, will speak 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30 in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center on the YSU campus. The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies at 330-941-3448.

Hedges was a foreign correspondent for *The New York Times* from 1990 to 2005, covering Latin America, Africa, the Middle East and the Balkans. He writes extensively on war, religion and the conflict in the Middle East and has spent more time in the Palestinian territories than perhaps any other American reporter. His awards include the 2002

Pulitzer Prize for Explanatory Reporting for coverage of

[Chris Hedges](#)

global terrorism and the 2002 Amnesty International Global Award for Human Rights Journalism. More information about Hedges is available at www.apbspeakers.com.

In his most recent best-selling book, *Empire of Illusion*, Hedges argues that we now live in two Americas. The minority functions in a print-based, literate world that can cope with complexity and can separate illusion from truth. The growing majority, the other America, retreats from a reality-based world into one of false certainty and magic. To this majority, which crosses social class lines, presidential debate and political rhetoric is pitched at a sixth-grade reading level. In this “other America,” serious film and theatre, as well as newspapers and books, are being pushed to the margins. Hedges navigates this culture — attending WWF contests, the Adult Video News Awards in Las Vegas and Ivy League graduation ceremonies — exposing an age of terrifying decline and heightened self-delusion.

Homework Express kicks off sixth season

Youngstown State University’s Homework Express, a call-in homework help show, starts its sixth season this week on the Time Warner NEON Network and on Armstrong Cable in Youngstown.

The program begins airing new live shows on Tuesday, Sept. 14, from the television studio in Bliss Hall on the YSU campus. The program will be live on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 to 5 p.m.

The crew for the show, including the writers, line producers and directors, are students in the YSU

Telecommunications Studies program in the College of Fine and Performing Arts.

“We’re lucky to have all of our teachers returning this year and we’re thrilled to have our host Kelly Stevens from Hot 101 Radio returning as well,” said Bill Brophy, newly named executive producer.

Math teachers Tom and Amy Burd from Warren schools, Judy Moschella from Youngstown schools, and Kristy Fill, a teacher in Girard, field calls from mostly middle school students from across northeast Ohio. Additional science and math segments, taped and edited by the student crew are also featured. These include everything from flying the Goodyear Blimp to coverage of robotics competitions.

The program reaches more than a million households in the Time Warner Cleveland,



Homework Express student crew member Jason Wright mans the camera during a rehearsal for the Sept. 14 debut.

Akron/Canton, Youngstown and Ashtabula service areas. The Tuesday and Thursdays shows are rebroadcast on MY YTV on Saturday mornings at 10 a.m. and repeated Monday, Wednesday and Friday on NEON.

The program is partially funded by YSU with the remainder of funding coming from underwriting sponsorships. Fred Owens, project director, said that several sponsorship slots are available for the 2010-11 season, including participating sponsorship billboards throughout the program as well as in-kind gifts awarded to student callers. Potential sponsors can contact Owens at fowens@ysu.edu.

Music at Noon concerts resume with tubas

YSU's Dana School of Music, in collaboration with the Butler Institute of American Art, presents Music at Noon performances this academic year.

Performances are Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. in the Butler Institute of American Art. The concerts are free and open to the public and parking is free at the Butler. Concerts conclude at the end of November and will resume again in January.

Performances for September are:

Sept. 15 - YSU Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble

Sept. 22 - Jazz Combos

Sept. 29 - Flute Studio Recital

For more information, call the Dana School of Music at 330-941-3636. For a complete calendar of events, visit <http://web.ysu.edu/fpa>.



"Reveal (Yellow Crash)" is among the works on display in the McDonough exhibit that runs through Nov. 12.

McDonough exhibit features Pittsburgh artist

Youngstown State University's McDonough Museum of Art will feature an exhibit by Pittsburgh artist Susanne Slavick Sept. 17 through Nov. 12.

A reception for the exhibition will be 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 17 in the museum. Slavick will also give a lecture 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29, in the McDonough Auditorium.

The exhibition titled *Cinder*, focuses on images of the aftermath of war in countries like Afghanistan, Iraq, Lebanon, Pakistan and more. Slavick paints scenes of creation and cultivation over digitally manipulated

photos of destruction, commenting on

the remains of today after nearly a decade of war and the hope that also exists in the rubble.

Slavick has exhibited in Chicago, New York, San Francisco, Washington D.C. and other cities, including those in Europe and Asia. Having received an artist fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts and four awards from the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, Slavick was honored as the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts' 2008 Artist of the Year, premiering *R&R(...&R)*. Many works in *Cinder* are drawn from this series.

For more information, call 330-941-1400, or visit <http://mcdonoughmuseum.yzu.edu>.

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