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## **Enrollment hits 20-year high**

The last time YSU's enrollment was this high, the first George Bush was president, the San Francisco 49ers were winning Super Bowls and *Seinfeld* was making its debut on TV.

According to preliminary 14<sup>th</sup>-day counts, enrollment is 15,194 this fall semester, an increase of 512 students over last year. That represents a 3.5 percent jump.

It is the highest enrollment since 1990, when the number of students on campus was 15,454. In the past decade, YSU's enrollment has climbed by 3,407 students or nearly 30 percent.

"Our continued enrollment growth is a testament to the quality of our academic programs, the dedication of our faculty and staff and the hard work of everyone on campus to carry YSU's message across the region," President Cynthia E. Anderson said.

"But getting students on campus is just the first step. The job now is to help every single one of our students do well in their classes, to graduate and to pursue their personal and professional goals. These students have chosen YSU; we are committed to their success."

### **Fall semester enrollment**

2010	15,194
2009	14,682
2008	13,712
2007	13,497
2006	13,183
2005	12,812
2004	13,101
2003	12,858
2002	12,698
2001	12,250
2000	11,787

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## Governor: Hub will bring 'best and brightest' back to Valley

Gov. Ted Strickland, joined YSU President Cynthia E. Anderson and other local political leaders, came to YSU this month to designate YSU and Youngstown an Ohio Hub of Innovation and Opportunity.

The designation, which aims to develop, manufacture, market and apply next-generation materials and to build upon the Youngstown region's emerging strengths in advanced materials commercialization, came two weeks after the chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents was on campus to approve YSU's first Ph.D. program – in advanced materials.

"With the new PH.D. program being launched next year, YSU will become a major destination for students looking to advance their skills in the STEM disciplines," Strickland said. "As part of the Hub, it will help bring some of the best and brightest minds back to the Valley."

The designation as a Hub is a partnership between YSU, the cities of Youngstown and Warren and the Youngstown Business Incubator, among others. With the help of a \$250,000 state grant, the Hub designation is expected to help attract future investment and spur new research in advanced materials in the Youngstown region. It also is an important validation by the state of Ohio that the Mahoning Valley has the talent and resources to support leading edge research.

"The history of this region is well known to all of us," the governor said "A century after the massive furnaces and foundries first brought prosperity to this city, the Steel Valley



President Cynthia E. Anderson and Gov. Ted Strickland enter Tod Hall for a press conference designating YSU and Youngstown an Ohio Hub.

suffered. We suffered from the decline of America's most iconic industry. But in recent years, this Valley has become a symbol of rebirth, with Youngstown serving as a national model of how cities can be reborn by investing in innovation and opportunity. The city's downtown economy is growing, and businesses of all sizes are investing in the Mahoning Valley once again."

YSU President Cynthia Anderson said the designation as a Hub "will not only allow YSU to reach its potential, but will also allow the city of Youngstown and the entire MV to move forward in its quest for economic revitalization."

Youngstown is the sixth region of the state to be designated an Ohio Hub. The Hub program is designed to allow university and local business and political leaders to leverage the resources and the skills of people living and working in the area to create new jobs and opportunities.

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## Students win Green Energy contest; advance to nationals

A team of six YSU engineering students will compete as a national finalist for the 2010 Green Energy Challenge in Boston on Oct 2.

The team qualified for the finals this spring by winning the Challenge's first-round competition against 12 universities. In the finals, YSU will compete against the Milwaukee School of Engineering and last year's winner, the University of Washington, for an \$8,000 award.

"We are thrilled to be selected as a finalist," said YSU team captain Brittany Stillwagon, who graduated this spring with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. "When you consider that we were chosen over such schools as Purdue and Penn State, it reinforces the quality of our education here at YSU."



Brittany Stillwagon

This is the first year YSU entered the Challenge, sponsored by ELECTRI International and the National Electrical Contractors Association.



Three members of the YSU Green Energy Challenge team stand with Mike Garvey, president of M-7 Technologies, inside M-7's manufacturing facility in Youngstown. From the left are Juren Raske, Chris Barcey, Garvey and Justin Hosseininejad.

Other team members include: Chris Barcey, Justin Hosseininejad and Juren Raske (electrical engineering); David Wright (electrical engineering technology) and Josh Mashburn (civil engineering).

The Challenge requires teams to run an energy-use audit on a local business and create an in-depth proposal for alternative energy options. The YSU team chose M-7 Technologies in Youngstown. With only two months to perform the analysis, formulate a plan and prepare a 50-page submission, the team produced a winning final report that M-7 Technologies President Mike Garvey called

“exciting, informative and extremely well presented.”

With significant energy demands for manufacturing and repairing large scale industrial products, M-7 was utilizing no forms of alternative energy before the team presented a number of green solutions. The students proposed implementing solar panels, wind turbines and hydroelectric generators on the M-7 site to minimize energy consumption and employ renewable, natural energy sources like the Mahoning River. Cost estimates, tax-credit solutions and a return-on-investment analysis were also included in the team’s project. Garvey said the proposal is doable and financially feasible. “It’s more than just about the finances,” he said. “It’s about the responsibility we have to the environment to find new solutions.”

The team is still in coordination with M-7 Technologies, which Stillwagon described as “an extremely green company of forward-thinkers” and “a huge help in our success.” The company is already in the process of implementing some of the strategies the students detailed.

Competing in the finals on Oct. 2, the YSU team hopes to turn green into gold. “The accomplishment these students have already achieved is extraordinary,” said Thomas Travers, executive director of Mahoning Valley NECA. “With the expertise, energy and focus they have demonstrated, we are confident that their success will continue when the final champion is announced in October.”

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## **YSU awarded \$1.66 million Wright Center grant**

The Wright Center for Sensor Systems Engineering has awarded \$1.66 million to Youngstown State University to work with the Youngstown Business Incubator and M-7 Technologies to create sensor systems for next generation manufacturing and inspection systems.

The award, announced this month (September), was one of six competitive grants totaling more than \$17 million to Ohio universities and organizations that will facilitate the development and commercialization of sensors and sensor technologies. The funding is through the Ohio Third Frontier program.

Martin Abraham, dean of the YSU College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, said: “We’ve put a lot of effort into this proposal and are very pleased to have received this level of funding through a competitive program. And that’s a particularly important point – this was competitively selected from the best ideas submitted throughout the State of Ohio.”

He said the project also ties in well with STEM’s increasing research efforts in materials science and energy. Eric Fingerhut, chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents, announced last month (August) that he was approving a new Ph.D. at YSU in materials science engineering. Gov. Ted Strickland visited campus Sept. 1 to designate YSU and Youngstown as an Ohio Hub of Innovation and Opportunity in advanced materials and software development. And the governor this summer designated YSU an Emerging Center of Excellence in Materials Science and Engineering.

Darrell Wallace, assistant professor of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering and the principal investigator on the grant, said the bulk of the funding – \$1.25 million – will be allocated for major equipment purchases, including a 3D laser scanning system and a CT scanner.

Wallace said the project will contribute to the development and commercialization of a new inspection and scanning system known as RISE™ – Rapid Integrated Sensing and Evaluation. RISE represents a major innovation in advanced manufacturing, allowing manufactured components to be inspected directly within the manufacturing process, simultaneously improving part quality and reducing manufacturing costs, Wallace said.

RISE is being developed by M-7 Technologies Inc. and will initially be marketed to manufacturers of high value-added, mission-critical components such as those found in military, aerospace, medical, and advanced energy applications, Wallace said.

The grant proposal was developed by a team that includes Wallace, and co-principal investigators Yong Zhang of the YSU Department of Computer Science and Information Systems, Jim Osterloh of M-7 and Julie Michael Smith of YBI. Trevor Jones, WCSSE board chair, said initiatives funded through the Wright Center are intended to create high-level technology jobs in Ohio.

“An important consideration in selecting these allocations was their ability to create high-paying jobs and



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## **YSU named Military Friendly School**

For the second consecutive year, YSU has been named a Military Friendly School by *G.I. Jobs* magazine, a publication designed for military members transitioning back to civilian life.

The honor ranks YSU in the top 15 percent of all colleges, universities and trade schools nationwide for its efforts in welcoming and accommodating post-military students.

“It’s difficult to come out of a highly structured environment into one that’s not,” Jim Olive, program manager of YSU’s Office of Veterans Affairs, said about the transition into university life. “That’s our basis. We set up the Office for guidance and referral as a single point of contact for student veterans. It helps them feel more comfortable knowing we’re here to try to answer their questions.”

Launched in May 2009, the YSU Office of Veterans Affairs helps military veterans adjust to college life by assisting with admissions, financial aid, registration and advising, offering classes exclusive to veterans and generally “building an environment that’s familiar and recognizable” for those still adapting to the change, Olive said.

Among the information provided in a survey for *G.I. Jobs*, Olive included a feature at YSU he felt was unique—an advisory council made up of students, faculty and community representatives that advises the Office and university on veterans affairs issues.

More initiatives are underway for the new academic year, including a proposal for the university to award undergraduate credit for military service, a “Share the Fair” project at the Canfield Fair, and a plan to achieve campus counseling services targeted to the needs of veterans.

But the biggest factor Olive recognizes for YSU’s continued success as a Military Friendly School is the faculty and staff. “The support has been tremendous,” he said. “The university is knowledgeable and empathetic to the experiences and sacrifices our military students have made. And it makes all the difference.”

To see the full list of 2011 Military Friendly Schools, visit [www.militaryfriendlyschools.com/mfspr](http://www.militaryfriendlyschools.com/mfspr).



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## **Strategic Planning initiative moves forward on campus**

Focus group forums are underway and input is coming in from across the campus as the YSU Strategic Planning initiative continues to move forward.

President Cynthia E. Anderson said the participation of everyone on campus – students, faculty, staff, administrators, trustees, alumni and community members – is critical to the success of the plan.

“While I recognize that this is an extremely busy time for all of us, I strongly urge all of you to take a few minutes and participate in this process that will guide the university into the next decade,” she said.



Gary Salvner, chair of the Department of English, speaks at a Strategic Planning forum in Kilcawley Center. Forums are scheduled throughout this month to get input on the planning process.

Provost Ikram Khawaja and Gene Grilli, vice president for administration and finance, the co-chairs of the Strategic Planning Committee, said in a memo to campus that “it is imperative we receive campus-wide participation in the process in order to develop a plan that reflects the input of a broad spectrum of campus stakeholders.”

The Strategic Planning Committee has developed several ways to participate, including an online questionnaire, Facebook and Twitter accounts and focus group forums, which began Sept. 8. To participate, visit the Strategic Planning website at <http://web.yсу.edu/2020strategicplan>.

The Strategic Planning Committee, consisting of more than 50 members, was formed over the summer to develop a strategic plan for the university leading to the year 2020. The plan will provide YSU with the opportunity to develop goals and priorities and set a course for the university over the next decade. The planning process is focusing on four topic areas or Cornerstones – Student Success, Urban Research, Regional Impact and Accountability/Sustainability.

Anderson said the university plans to have a draft of the new Strategic Plan to the Board of Trustees by Dec. 15.

“It is an ambitious goal, but a goal that I am certain we can meet,” she said. “I want to thank members of the committee for their hard work thus far, and I want to again encourage everyone to participate.”

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## Faculty/staff awards, publications, presentations

**Frank Akpadock**, senior research associate and regional scientist in the YSU Center for Urban and Regional Studies, testified before the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, U.S. House Committee on Financial Services. The hearing in July was titled, “After the Financial Crises: Ongoing Challenges Facing Delphi Retirees” and was held in connection with a study he conducted for 1,056 Delphi Packard Electric retirees. That study was titled “Measuring the Economic Impact of Pension Reductions and Health Care Cuts on the Salaried Retirees of Delphi Packard Electric Systems Resident in the Mahoning Valley, Ohio.”

**Pat Durrell**, assistant professor, Physics and Astronomy, recently published two co-authored papers. “Deep HST/ACS Photometry of the M81 Halo” appeared in the August 2010 issue of *The Astrophysical Journal*, while “Hierarchical Structure Formation and Modes of Star Formation in Kickson Compact Group 31” was published in *The Astronomical Journal*, February 2010.

**William Greenway**, professor in English, published the poem, “Second Mortgage” in *Passager*. **Helen Guohong Han**, assistant professor of Management, co-authored a paper titled, “Bracketing Team Boundary Spanning: An Examination of Task-based, Team-level, and Contextual Antecedents,” which has been nominated for the Best Paper award in the *Journal of Organizational Behavior*. In addition, her co-authored project proposal “Secure Attachment and Leader Effectiveness: A Process Model” has been awarded \$3,500 by the University Research Council. Han has also published “The Mediating Role of Job Satisfaction Between Leader-Member Exchange and Turnover Intentions,” co-authored with [Marc Jekel, University of Bonn, Germany](#), in *Journal of Nursing Management*. She has also published “Trust and Career Satisfaction: The Mediating Role of LMX” in *Career Development International*.

**Christine Adams**, assistant reference librarian, business and economics, presented a poster at the Special Libraries Association 2010 Annual Conference & INFO-EXPO in New Orleans titled, “Off to a Good Start! Librarian and Faculty Collaboration on Financial Literacy.”

**Jim Kapoun**, associate director and head of Information Services, published an article titled, “Library Instruction, Intervention, and Immersion: A 5-year Study of Religion and the Arts” in *Journal of Religious and Theological Information*.

**Shelly Xiaoli Zhu**, electronic services librarian, presented “Is Content Management System Right for You?” at the Library Technology Conference at Macalester College. She also presented “Redefining the Resource Page: Replacing Static Subject Guides with Dynamic Blogs” at the Academic Library Association of Ohio Conference in Wilmington.

**Rebecca Roberts**, manager of Information Literacy and Assessment Planning, presented “Redefining the Resource Page: Replacing Static Subject Guides with Dynamic Blogs” at the Academic Library Association of Ohio Conference in Wilmington. In addition, she presented “One Shot Wonder: Using Web 2.0 and TurningPoint to Engage Students in One-Shot Library Sessions”



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## **Presidential installation is Sept. 24 in Stambaugh Auditorium**



**President Cynthia E. Anderson**

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.

Those planning to attend the installation are asked to contact Heather Belgin in the Office of Alumni and Events Management at 330-941-3497 or [habelgin@ysu.edu](mailto: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.

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## **Hotel dismantled...**

Work crews continue the deconstruction of the back portion of the former Wick Pollock Inn, the first step in restoring the historic Pollock House mansion on Wick Avenue as YSU's new presidential residence. Demolition should be finished by the end of October, with renovations to the house scheduled to begin in November. The project is to be completed by July 2011.

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## Discoverer 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 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.



Donald Johanson

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## 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 YSU.



Chris Hedges

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



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## Off to the races...

Senior wide receiver Dominique Barnes, above, at the encouragement of first-year head coach Eric Wolford, sprints to the end zone in the first quarter of the Penguins' game against Penn State in front of more than 100,000 fans in Beaver Stadium on Sept. 4. YSU held a lead late into the first half before the Nittany Lions went on to victory. At left, Wolford chats with legendary Penn State head coach Joe Paterno prior to the game. The Penguins opened their home schedule Sept. 11 with a 31-7 win over Butler in Stambaugh Stadium that featured Barnes' 86-yard punt return for a touchdown. Barnes was named Missouri Valley Football Conference Special Teams Player of the Week. The Penguins now take on Central Connecticut State 6 p.m. Sept. 18 and Southern Illinois 4 p.m. Sept. 25. For more information, visit [www.ysusports.com](http://www.ysusports.com).



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## **Jewish Community Center Cultural Arts Series launched**

The YSU 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 concert only for free.**

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## **YSU hosts Hispanic Heritage Celebration on Sept. 24**

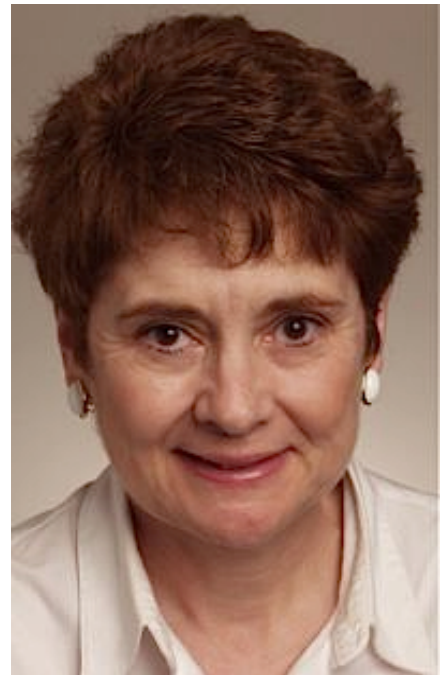
Ivania del Pozo, professor in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures at Youngstown State University, will give the keynote address at the YSU Hispanic Heritage Celebration on Friday, Sept. 24.

The event, which also includes food, informational booths, dance and musical entertainment, begins at 5:30 p.m. in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center on the YSU campus. It is free and open to the public.

del Pozo earned a doctoral degree at the Graduate School and University Center of New York. She wrote her doctoral thesis under the direction of the famous Spanish writer Francisco Ayala. She has published articles about modernism literature in Puerto Rico and Cuban poetry both in Cuba and the United States. She joined the YSU faculty in 1978. del Pozo has organized various events and community projects involving Hispanic students and the university.

The event also features Hispanic foods, informational booths hosted by area businesses and organizations, a flag ceremony featuring flags from 22 Hispanic countries, folkloric dance performances, musical entertainment, a student recognition ceremony, art exhibits and more.

The theme of the event is “Listen to our Hispanic Voices” or “Escucha Nuestras Voces Hispanas.” It is coordinated by the Hispanic Heritage Planning Committee through YSU’s Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity with support from campus organizations and local sponsors. It is being held in conjunction with the national observance of Hispanic Heritage Month, which is traditionally observed Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.



**Ivania del Pozo**

“YSU has a history of hosting events during Hispanic Heritage Month. This is a great event to bring the community together,” said Yulanda McCarty-Harris, YSU director of Equal Opportunity and Diversity. “The Hispanic Community’s rapid growth has positioned itself to make significant contributions on many levels, and education will play a part in those contributions.”

Sponsors for the YSU Hispanic Heritage Celebration include Home Savings, the YSU Center for International Studies and Programs, Partners for Workplace Diversity and the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity.

Other local events planned for the observance of Hispanic Heritage Month include:

**Hispanic Heritage Student Art Exhibition Celebration, Thursday, Sept. 16, 6 p.m., Newport Branch Library** (3730 Market Street, Youngstown)

The event features 11 art entries and will showcase the top three winners of this year's contest. Exhibit will continue until Sept. 21. For more information, contact the YSU Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity at 330-941-3370 or Deborah Liptak, Youngstown Library Development Director, at 330-744-8638, Ext. 118.

**Hispanic Heritage Celebration, Friday, Sept. 24, 5:30 p.m., YSU Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room**  
See information above.

Student honorees are: Dustin Corso (YSU student), Tanisha Lopez (East High School), Karen Labra (Austintown Middle School) and Christina Perez (MLK Elementary).

For more information, contact the YSU Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity at 330-941-3370.

**Food Drive by YSU Latino Student Organization, Sept. 24, 5:30 p.m. and Sept. 27 to Oct. 1, 1 to 3 p.m., YSU Kilcawley Center**

The YSU Latino Organization will be coordinating its first food drive. The community is invited to bring cans of food to the Hispanic Heritage Celebration in YSU's Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room. The food drive will continue through Oct. 1. Food will be distributed to the Beatitude House and OCHHA. Contact Bryan Chaidez at 330-261-4997 or bpchaidez@student.yzu.edu.

**The Immigrant's Way, Tuesday, Sept. 28, 6 p.m., Newport Branch Public Library**

Author Margaret W. Wong will discuss her book "*The Immigrant's Way –For All Immigrants by an Immigrant.*" For more information, contact the YSU Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity at 330-941-3370 or Deborah Liptak, Youngstown Library Development Director, at 330-744-8638, Ext. 118.

**ECHHO College Fair, Thursday, Sept. 30, 9 to 11 a.m., OCCHA**

The 2010 Annual Educators and Community Helping Hispanics Onward, Inc. College Fair will be held at OCCHA (3660 Shirley Road, Youngstown). This is a college access program geared to target Hispanic/Latino high school students from the ninth through twelfth grade levels and their parents. For more information, contact Maggie McClendon, ECHHO president, at 330-941-3243 or 330-519-3314. Co-sponsored by YSU's Department of Undergraduate Admissions, OCCHA and ECHHO.

**Irony of the Enlightenment: the Castas Paintings of Colonial Mexico, Wednesday, Oct. 6, 5:30 p.m., YSU Kilcawley Center, Bresnahan I & II**

Patricia Sarro, YSU art history professor, gives a presentation on the Castas paintings which portray the various ethnic mixings or *Castas* that took place in 18<sup>th</sup> century colonial Mexico. Free and open to the public. For more information, contact Ana Bobby at 330-941-1717 or ambobby@ysu.edu.

**Latin Wine Tasting, Saturday, Oct. 9, 5 to 7 p.m., Five Points Wine & Bar**

Travel through the Latin world, savor and learn about its enticing wines. Also, delight in Latin Jazz and hors d'oeuvres. Five Points Wine & Bar is located at 9065 Springfield Road in Poland. Cost is \$15 per person. For information, call 330-549-2932.

**Immigration & Labor through the Lens of History, Thursday, Oct. 14, 5:00 p.m., Youngstown Historical Center of Industry and Labor**

Commemorating Columbus Day or *Dia de la Raza*, a documentary film will be presented which demonstrates the hardships faced by immigrants traveling to the United States, the families they often leave behind and their struggle to survive. The film will be followed by a panel discussion on immigration issues which date back to before the 20th century involving different cultures and ethnicities. The event is co-sponsored by the YSU Center for Applied Histories, YSU Center for Women's Studies and the Youngstown Historical Center of Industry and Labor. Free. For more information, contact Ana Bobby at 330-941-1717 or ambobby@ysu.edu.

**OCCHA's 38th Annual Fundraiser Gala, *Friday, Oct. 29, 5:30 p.m., Embassy***

OCCHA, a social service agency serving the Hispanic community, is celebrating 38 years of service to the community with a fundraiser dinner at the Embassy (5030 Youngstown-Poland Road, Struthers). Cocktail hour begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Donation for tickets: \$50 per person. For more information, contact OCCHA at 330-781-1808.

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## McDonough exhibit features Pittsburgh artist

YSU'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.



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

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.ysu.edu>.

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## **FERPA experts speaks on campus**

LeRoy Rooker, the nation's leading expert on the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, will present an informational and Q & A session on student and faculty rights under FERPA on Thursday, Sept. 23, at YSU.

There will be two sessions: 9 a.m. to noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Both presentations will be in the Presidents' Suite in Kilcawley Center.

All YSU faculty and staff members who deal with student records are invited and encouraged to attend.

The event is co-sponsored by the Provost's Office and the Office of the Vice President of Student Affairs. Questions about FERPA, how it affects individuals in their university responsibilities, educational records and access to them will be addressed.

Rooker is a senior fellow with the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers and has dealt with issues on FERPA, a comprehensive federal law that provides privacy protections for student education records, for over 20 years. Having served as director of the Family Policy Compliance Office at the U.S. Department of Education, Rooker administered laws and policies designed to help protect the rights of America's 58 million students, completed a major revision to FERPA regulations, published comprehensive guidance on the application of FERPA and HIPAA to student health records and traveled extensively to provide FERPA compliance training at conferences and schools.

Registration is required. To register, contact Marsha Cozzo at 330-941-1589 or [mscozzo@ysu.edu](mailto:mscozzo@ysu.edu).



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## **YSU Women's Club announces opening event**

The Youngstown State University Women's Club announces its kick-off event The Annual Wine & Cheese Fall Reception on Wednesday, Sept. 29 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the McDonough Museum of Art on the YSU campus.

All YSU affiliated women, including current and retired female employees, wives/widows/female partners of all current or retired employees, female members and the wives/female partners of current and past Board of Trustees members are invited to the event and eligible for membership. This year, the Women's Club extends honorary membership to YSU's first female president, Cynthia E. Anderson.

The opening event is an opportunity to renew old friendships, make new acquaintances, enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres, win door prizes and view the new museum exhibit "CINDER Works" by Susanne Slavick. The cost is \$5 per person. To RSVP and for further details, contact Melanie Loew at 330-941-1646 or [mjloew@my.yzu.edu](mailto:mjloew@my.yzu.edu).

The YSU Women's Club, founded in 1968, supports the tradition of education and advocacy to enhance the lives of women at YSU. The organization also identifies YSU community needs and the resources to meet those needs, supports scholarships for YSU students, and promotes the university. For more information, visit <http://www.yzu.edu/womensclub/>.

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## **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 YSU, 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.

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**

**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

**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.

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## Homework Express kicks off sixth season

YSU's Homework Express, a call-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 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.

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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](mailto:fowens@ysu.edu).

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## Urban Sociology class tours downtown



Students enrolled in an Urban Sociology course this fall enjoyed a tour of downtown Youngstown recently led by Mark Peyko, editor and publisher of *Metro Monthly*. The tour was arranged by Anthony Kobak, adjunct professor in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. "This opportunity allows our students to get out of the classroom and experience urban sociology firsthand" Kobak said. "The students benefit from YSU being in an urban setting." For more information, contact Kobak at [askobak@ysu.edu](mailto:askobak@ysu.edu) or 330-881-4950.