



ONU, City of Lima Form Research Partnership

Ohio Northern University and the city of Lima have formed a partnership to build and operate a research and development center in Lima. The center will be located on a site that is being developed through a grant Lima received from the Ohio Job Ready Sites Program.

ONU President Kendall L. Baker, Ph.D., said this agreement is a great opportunity to showcase the University's regionally and nationally respected T.J. Smull College of Engineering. "The new center provides our students and faculty with an additional outlet to solidify their reputation of excellence," Baker said.

ONU's role in the agreement calls for the University to provide human resources to assist with establishing and operating the center through the contributions of teaching and research faculty as well as administrative staff.

The center will assist in retaining engineering students and graduates by identifying employment opportunities in the

geographic region. It also will provide opportunities for ONU senior capstone design projects to be directed by specific industry agreements or assignments by companies residing in the center.

"We are extremely pleased to partner with the city of Lima in this endeavor. The opportunity for collaboration among the center partners and other regional industries is very exciting for our students and faculty," said Dr. Eric T. Baumgartner, dean of the College of Engineering. Dr. Baumgartner is expected to be a member of the center's board of trustees.

The city of Lima will seek additional funds to construct the 150,000-square-foot research and development facility on the 14-acre site. Ohio Northern also will assist with identifying funding opportunities for the center.

Spring Career Kaleidoscope

On Monday, March 10, the office of career services will sponsor the annual Spring Career Kaleidoscope Job Fair at the Sports Center.

The event brings ONU arts & sciences, business administration and engineering students together with recruiters during a morning career fair with one-to-one interviews in the afternoon. Students will have the opportunity to speak with recruiters about summer internships, co-ops and full-time employment opportunities.

Students can register online. For more information, contact the Office of Career Services at ext. 2145.

'Children of the World' Exhibit on Display

"Children of the World," a multimedia exhibit by Betty LaDuke, continues through Feb. 22 at the Elzay Gallery of Art and the Stambaugh Studio Theatre Gallery.

"Children of the World" features 106 photographs of children from Asia, Latin America and Africa taken over the last 40 years. Viewers have the unique opportunity to step inside LaDuke's creative process from three perspectives: the literal, camera-captured moment; the sketches made on location emphasizing select details of people and events; and the mystical, aesthetic journey that evolves later with paint and canvas in the artist's studio.

LaDuke is one of the most dynamic and relevant artists working in North America today. Her vision encompasses both traditional and ever-changing lifestyles in many non-western countries throughout the world. Inspired by 10 years of travel in Africa, an upbeat, contemporary view of African life emerges in LaDuke's paintings, drawings and etchings.

Currently residing in Ashland, Ore., LaDuke teaches at Southern Oregon State College. In addition to her artwork, she also is the author of several books: "Africa Through the Eyes of Women Artists," "Women Artists: Multicultural Visions," "Africa: Women's Art, Women's Lives" and "Women Against Hunger: A Sketchbook Journey."

Admission to the Elzay and Stambaugh galleries is free and open to the public, daily from noon to 5 p.m. The Stambaugh Studio Theatre Gallery is open prior to events held at the Freed Center.

Tragedy at Northern Illinois University

The entire Ohio Northern University community extends its deepest sympathy and sends prayers for courage and strength to Northern Illinois University as it faces this most terrible tragedy. ONU students with special concerns or those who have been personally affected by this tragedy should contact the Office of Student Affairs if they desire counseling or other assistance.

View Total Lunar Eclipse With Astronomy Club

The Ohio Northern University Astronomy Club and physics department will host a viewing of the total lunar eclipse on Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 8:45 to 10:30 p.m. in the parking lot next to Wander Field.

Several telescopes will be set up for optimal viewing. Some of these telescopes also will be trained on Saturn, which will be less than 4 degrees away from the moon at the time.

A total lunar eclipse occurs when the moon is completely shadowed and no direct light can reach it from the Sun. During this phenomenon, the Earth's atmosphere refracts and filters light at the same time, thereby illuminating the darkened moon and producing a dramatically colorful appearance.

A total lunar eclipse can be viewed without any optical aid or protection; telescopes, however, allow spectators to observe lunar features as the shadow slowly passes. The most recent total lunar eclipse occurred on Aug. 28, 2007, when the sun, Earth and moon were in total alignment.

On Feb. 20, the dark shadow of the Earth will begin to cover the moon at approximately 8:43 p.m. and completely obscure it from 10:01 to 10:51 p.m. The eclipse will be visible in most of North America, as well as South America, Western Europe and Africa.

This event is free and open to the public. Astronomy Club members will be on hand to answer questions.

ONU Wellness Program Open to Faculty and Staff

AHPE 100, the ONU Wellness Program, will be offered from noon - 12:50 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday during spring quarter.

This program, open to all ONU faculty and staff, is an introductory course on the proper use of equipment in the fitness room, measurements of baseline fitness parameters and an individualized fitness programming. The program is offered in the fitness room at King Horn (KH 197).

Participation is limited to 15 employees each quarter, and participants need to obtain HPSS departmental permission in order to register.

In addition, the fitness room at King Horn will be open only to all faculty and staff from noon to 12:50 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Participants in the University Wellness Program will have priority use of the fitness equipment on Monday and Wednesday.

To sign up for the University Wellness Program, or for additional information, contact: Scott Swanson at s-swanson@onu.edu (ext. 3134) or Sara Terrell at s-terrell@onu.edu (ext. 3137).

Library Celebration Update

During Heterick Memorial Library's 40th birthday celebration, more than 225 items donated in the PCIs for Fines (Personal Care Items) event. Several students donated items event though they had no fines. Katie Kemper, a senior in management from Minster, Ohio, won the ONU blanket given away on Feb. 14.

Grant Awarded

Through the efforts of Catriona Macphie-Hynds, manager, director and development officer, the Freed Center has received a \$7,000 International Partnerships grant from the Ohio Arts Council to support the Sixth International Festival.

The festival will be April 2-6, and is titled, "Dissolving Borders." Two new plays commissioned by the Freed Center will explore current migration/immigration issues between the U.S. and Mexico.

The International Partnerships Program provides a limited number of small grants to assist Ohio nonprofit arts and cultural organizations and universities and colleges to develop exemplary international arts projects and innovative partnerships in countries where the Ohio Arts Council has signed agreements or established collaborative partnership projects.

Extreme Makeover: Resume Edition

The Office of Career Services is offering to help students make over their resumes between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., each Monday and Thursday in February. The resume team will meet with students in the main lounge of McIntosh Center.

Encourage students to contact the office at (419) 772-2145 for an appointment or to learn more.

TIAA-CREF Meetings Available

A representative from TIAA-CREF will be on campus Feb. 14 and March 18. All appointments have been filled for the February meetings; however, openings still exist for the March date.

To schedule an appointment call (877) 209-3138. Meetings will be held in Dicke Room 211.

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Polar Bears from Girl Scout cookie boxes? To see what Kacey Smith, a senior in civil engineering from Weston, Ohio, and Kelly Cholewa, a senior in civil engineering from Spencerport, N.Y. have cooked up for the Society of Women Engineers Cookie Box Creation event, visit the Lima Mall beginning Friday afternoon.

ONU Students to Help with Tax Preparation

Elderly and low-income tax payers in Allen and Hardin counties can find free income tax assistance from Ohio Northern University law and accounting students through Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA).

The VITA Program offers free tax help to low- to moderate-income (generally, \$40,000 and below) individuals across the country who cannot prepare tax returns on their own. As part of this program, ONU students have received training to help prepare basic tax returns and identify special credits, such as the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), Child Tax Credit and Credit for the Elderly.

ONU students will offer free electronic filing (e-filing) services at several area locations during tax season. The sites are open until April 15. The following locations will be open at the designated times and staffed with IRS-certified volunteers:

* ACCENT (Allen County Center for Employment and Training): 1501 S. Dixie Highway, Lima, Ohio. Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Phone: (419) 999-0360

* Hardin County Council of Aging: 100 Memorial Ave., Kenton, Ohio. Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Phone: (419) 673-1102

* Hardin County Public Library: 325 East Columbus Street, Kenton, Ohio. Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Phone: (419) 673-2278

* Lima Superior Federal Credit Union: 4230 Elida Road, Lima, Ohio. Appointments are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call (419) 223-9746 to make an appointment (press "0" for operator)

Taxpayers interested in these services should bring their Social Security card, driver's license or identification card, all forms sent from the IRS this year, W2 forms, any other pertinent income statements and copies of tax returns for the past two years, if available.

Additional information on VITA is available from the Internal Revenue website at www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=107626,00.html

To learn more, call (419) 772-2245.

High Schools to Participate in Engineering Competition

Twenty-three high schools from northwest Ohio will compete in the Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics and Science (TEAMS) competition to be held on Ohio Northern University's campus on Wednesday, Feb. 20.

TEAMS is a dynamic academic program and competition that introduces high school students to the world of engineering. Student teams currently are in training for the competition, applying classroom-taught math and science concepts to real-world problems. The teams must also demonstrate excellent teamwork and critical-thinking skills in solving sample test problems.

Each team will compete at the varsity or junior varsity level in one of seven school-based divisions or in the home-school division. The top-scoring teams in each division in each state will be eligible for national ranking, determined by the eligible teams' performance on the second part of the two-part test.

Locally, TEAMS is sponsored by Ohio Northern University's T.J. Smull College of Engineering and Admissions Office, the Lima Section of the Institute of Electronics and Electrical Engineers, and the Lima Chapter of the Ohio Society of Professional Engineers.

TEAMS is nationally sponsored by JETS, a national non-profit organization promoting interest in engineering, science, mathematics and technology.

Wanted: Volunteers

Faculty, staff and students 21 years old or older, or who have junior status or higher, are encouraged to volunteer as judges for District Science Day.

This year District Science Day will be Saturday, March 15.

Judges need to be on campus from approximately 9 a.m. to noon. After judging, lunch will be served in the MacIntosh Activities Room, courtesy of Admissions.

Students from 10 counties will present their projects. These students from grades 7 to 12 have obtained a superior ranking in their school science fairs and their projects range from psychology and behavioral sciences to chemistry, engineering, physics, math, and biology. If you are interested in judging, contact Nancy Woodley, ext. 2326, or leave your name with Jane in the biology department office.

This is a good opportunity to do community service and last year included members from numerous honoraries as judges.

On March 15, judges will pick up their information at the registration desk before 9 a.m. then go to Science Annex 105 for orientation.

It's Break Time!
Next issue
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will be March 5.

Northern Events - Feb. 21 - March 5

Campus Events

Feb. 21

11:30 a.m., Cultural Conversation Hour, Tupac Shakur: Martyr or Minstrel, Multicultural Center

11:30 a.m., Black History Month, Black Law Student Association, Law Lounge

Feb. 24- March 2

Undergraduate Break

March 3

Spring Quarter Begins

March 4

9:00 a.m., Deans and Staff Meeting, Heterick Room 324

4:00 p.m., Arts and Sciences Faculty Meeting, McIntosh Activities Room

5:30 p.m., University Council, Dicke Forum

March 5

8:00 a.m. Support Staff Conference, Buffton University

Arts and Lectures

Feb. 22

Society of Women Engineers
Cookie Box Creation event,
Lima Mall



March 6

7:30 p.m., Spotts Lecture for
College of Engineering, Freed
Center

For more events, go to:

www-new.onu.edu/event

Athletics

Feb. 22

3:00 p.m., Indoor Track Meet, Field House

Feb. 23

8:00 a.m., Women's Tennis in Orlando, Fla.

10:00 a.m., Wrestling OAC Championships at John Carroll

12:30 p.m., JV Men's Basketball vs. Team Lima

3:00 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. Mt. Union

3:00 p.m., Women's Basketball at Mt. Union

Feb. 24

8:00 a.m., Women's Tennis in Orlando, Fla.

Feb. 25

8:00 a.m., Women's Tennis in Orlando, Fla.

Feb. 26

8:00 a.m., Women's Tennis in Orlando, Fla.

Noon, Women's Basketball OAC Tournament

Feb. 27

8:00 a.m., Women's Tennis in Orlando, Fla.

Noon, Women's Basketball OAC Tournament

Noon, Men's Basketball OAC Tournament

Feb. 28

8:00 a.m., Women's Tennis in Orlando, Fla.

Noon, Men's Basketball OAC Tournament

Noon, Women's Basketball OAC Tournament

Feb. 29

8:00 a.m., Women's Tennis in Orlando, Fla.

Noon, Men's Basketball OAC Tournament

Noon, Women's Basketball OAC Tournament

6:00 p.m., Track and Field, Field House

March 1

Noon, Men's Basketball OAC Tournament