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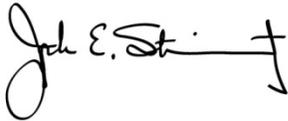
Dear Arts and Sciences Faculty and Staff:

As members of The Ohio State University family, we take pride in our jobs and in the institution we serve. Over the next several weeks, we will have the opportunity to reach beyond the work place and demonstrate our commitment to the communities in which we live. The annual **Bucks for Charity Drive** began October 4 and runs through December 10, 2010. Last year Ohio State faculty, staff, and retirees raised more than \$1.2 million.

Bucks for Charity benefits many organizations throughout Central Ohio. These organizations focus on issues such as health, environment, education, hunger, neighborhoods, social services, and much more. In the next week you will be receiving campaign materials, which I encourage you to review. There also will be an educational group meeting about the campaign.

Please join me in supporting the Bucks for Charity Drive. Together we can make a difference in our community.

Sincerely,



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GENERAL UPDATES

In Memoriam: Colin Bull (1928-2010) Emeritus Professor; past Chair, School of Earth Sciences (formerly, Department of Geology); past Director, Institute of Polar Science; and past Dean, Mathematical and Physical Sciences. Bull came to Ohio State in 1961 and assisted in founding the Institute of Polar Studies.

Updating your voice mail and e-mail:

If you have not already done so, please remember to update your e-mail address signatures and your voice-mail messages. As we transition from five individual colleges to one unified College of Arts and Sciences, we need your help to communicate consistent messages. Therefore, please delete from your voice mail messages and email address signatures references to prior colleges. Communication Services will be providing departments, centers, and units with guidance in identity and communications in the coming weeks.

News from the Business Services Center (BSC)

Beginning in late October and continuing through the remainder of the calendar year, the Arts and Sciences BSC will be rolling out phase 2. BSC phase 2 includes e-Time and Leave, e-Request, processing of release-time appointments, additional pay, and hiring all employees except for graduate assistants. More information about

phase 2 is provided below. The college administrative services team will plan to meet with departmental BSC contacts prior to the phase 2 roll out.

e-Time and Leave

The e-Time and Leave Project will provide a university-wide solution for the collection of time worked or leave taken by university employees. This will replace the current practice of using paper timesheets and leave forms with a unit's HR staff entering and approving the time. The solution will be implemented through a web-based custom front end, utilizing a workflow engine to route time and leave request for approval. Approved time will load into the Human Resources Information System.

The Departments of Mathematics, Economics, Chemistry and Arts and Sciences Administration will be participating in pilot testing, which will begin in mid-November. A phased roll out to other departments will begin soon thereafter. Contact Amanda Pruett (pruett.25@osu.edu or 292-5756) for more information.

e-Request

The e-Request Project will provide a university-wide solution for electronic purchasing requests. This will replace the current paper requisition forms as well as 100Ws. The solution will be implemented through a web-based custom front end, utilizing a workflow engine to route requests for approval, and on to the BSC for entry and approval in PeopleSoft. The Department of Astronomy and ASC Administration are currently piloting the e-Request tool. A phased roll out to other departments will begin in mid-November with the goal of having all ASC departments using e-Request by the end of the calendar year. Contact Kelley Maynard (maynard.52@osu.edu or 247-7168) for more information.

Release Time

Beginning October 1, 2010, release time appointments will be entered into the HR system by the BSC. Departments should continue to fill out the release time forms, have the PI and chair sign and then upload the forms to ASCdocs. Andrea Ward-Ross will approve release time appointments on behalf of the college and forward to the BSC for entry. Please direct all questions regarding release time to Andrea Ward Ross (ward-ross.1@osu.edu or 688-4216).

Hiring ASC Employees

Once phase 2 BSC employees are on board, the BSC will expand hiring to include all employees with the exception of graduate assistants. A calendar with go-live dates for each department will be provided during the month of October.

Additional Pay/Quarter Off-Duty/Supplemental Compensation

After phase 2 BSC employees are on board, the BSC will begin processing additional pay for ASC employees. The workflows for these processes are being finalized and will be shared with departments as soon as possible. A calendar with go-live dates for each department will be provided during the month of October. For more information, contact Brad Harris (harris.54@osu.edu or 292-6186) or Kelley Maynard (maynard.52@osu.edu or 247-7168).

NEWS

• Award-winning Faculty

Morris Beja, professor emeritus, English, was presented the Lifetime Service Award by the International James Joyce Symposium. Beja is author of *James Joyce: A Literary Life*; *Virginia Woolf: to the Lighthouse*; *Epiphany in the Modern Novel*; *Film and Literature*; and *Joyce, the Artist Manqué, and Indeterminacy*. Beja received the Guggenheim and Fulbright fellowships and The Ohio State University Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching. He chaired the Department of English from 1983 to 1994.

Bill Dancy, professor emeritus, Anthropology, has been selected for the Distinguished Career Award by Midwest Archaeological Conference, Inc. Dancy is the author of two books, *Archaeological field methods: An introduction* and *The First Discovery of America: Archaeological Evidence of The Early Inhabitants of The Ohio Area*.

Chris Hammel, professor of Physics and Ohio Eminent Scholar, and other Ohio State scientists were awarded a \$504,129 NSF grant for the "Acquisition of a High Field Physical Properties Measurement System with Cryogenic AFM/MFM." Ohio State will be providing a cost share of \$216,055 through cash contributions from the Office of

Research, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Engineering, Departments of Chemistry, Chemistry & Biomolecular Engineering, Materials Science & Engineering, and Physics.

Hannibal Hamlin, guest curator of the exhibition *Manifold Greatness: The Creation and Afterlife of the King James Bible*, received an NEH Chairman's Special Award of \$626,964. The award will help support the exhibition, a joint production of the Bodleian Library (Oxford) and the Folger Shakespeare Library (Washington DC).

• Opportunities

Job Openings with BSC. ASC staff were recently invited to apply for eight job openings in support of phase 2 of the BSC. As a result of our success in filling six of eight phase 1 positions with ASC staff, our goal is to fill all eight phase 2 openings with ASC staff. The deadline for submitting resumes and cover letters was October 1. However, if you or someone you know is interested and missed the deadline, please contact Chitra Iyer at iyer.33@osu.edu or 292-3374 by Friday, October 8, 2010.

Stay connected with Yammer and Facebook. The [Arts and Sciences Facebook](#) page provides latest information about majors, minors, courses, scholarships, internships, lectures, events, and programs within the College of Arts and Sciences. You can also connect with other university employees by joining discussions on [Yammer](#). Yammer is used for private communication within organizations or between organizational members.

Evening Classes Available at Ohio State's Office Continuing Education. Boost your skills with evening classes in computer software, business, communications, and language through the Office of Continuing Education. For more information, please call 292-8860 or visit [online](#).

Year of eLearning. The Digital Union launched its Year of eLearning this past spring to strengthen interest, community, and expertise in teaching and learning with technology. A wide range of university groups will offer a full slate of events through Summer 2011. For information about upcoming events, visit: elearning.osu.edu.

• Upcoming Events

Thursday, Oct. 7: Study Abroad Expo Learn more about expanding your educational opportunities at the Study Abroad Expo, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the Ohio Union Great Hall Meeting Room. For more information about the expo, visit www.oia.osu.edu.

Thursday, Oct. 7: OSU Creative Writing Program Visiting Writer Reading Series presents Sonya Huber, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the Denney Hall Commons Room (311 DE). Huber is the author of *Cover Me: A Health Insurance Memoir (Class in America)*.

Friday, Oct. 8: Center for Urban and Regional Analysis (CURA) lecture "Columbus 2020: Positioning Columbus for Growth and Prosperity," featuring Kenny McDonald, senior vice president and chief economic officer, Columbus Partnership, 12:00 -1:30 p.m. in 1039 Derby. Pizza and refreshments will be served before the lecture. Registration required to Colin Kelsey at Kelsey.26@osu.edu.

Tuesday, Oct. 12: MBI Public Lecture, "The Mathematics of Getting in Sync," featuring professor Steven Strogatz, Theoretical and Applied Mathematics, Cornell University, 7:00 p.m., COSI Columbus. Strogatz will lead the audience along the tidal rivers of Malaysia, where every night thousands of male fireflies congregate in the mangrove trees and flash on and off in silent, hypnotic unison.

Wednesday, Oct 13: The Department of Dance presents [Dance for Camera](#) , a collection of award-winning video shorts showcasing diverse styles of dance and choreography, at 7:00 p.m., Sullivant Hall.

Wednesday, Oct. 20: bell hooks, internationally recognized feminist scholar, bell hooks, will deliver a public lecture, [Keeping It Real: The Practice of Diversity](#), at 4:30 p.m. in 131 Hitchcock Hall. Dr. hooks will be in residence at Ohio State this year as Visiting Distinguished Professor of Women's Studies.

Friday, Oct 29: DISCO Symposium, [Beyond the Arizona Immigration Law: Policing Borders, Bodies, and Belonging](#) at the Multicultural Center in the Ohio Union, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The symposium aims to expand the conversation beyond the particularities of the Arizona bill and discuss how these dynamics have appeared

historically across various academic areas and activist arenas. This event is free and open to the public.

Tuesday, Nov. 2: Justin Spring, writer and curator specializing in 20th century American art and culture will discuss his new biography of Ohio State alum Samuel Steward, *Secret Historian: The Life and Times of Samuel Steward, Professor, Tattoo Artist, and Sexual Renegade*, 4:00 p.m., Wexner Center for the Arts Film/Video Theater.

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