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BACKGROUND MATERIALS
March 4, 2020

1. Alumni and Events Calendar
2. Marketing Communications Campus News of Note
The calendar below lists all scheduled events that involve local alumni, alumni in chapters across the country, Pete’s Pride volunteers and campus and community events that are produced or assisted by the Office of Alumni and Events. For questions or more information on any of these events, please call 330-941-2136.

Sunday, March 8
Purpose: Phoenix Alumni Chapter Outing
Place: Social Gathering
Time: Barro’s Pizza/ Spring Training at Salt River Fields
11:00 am/1:00 pm
Contact: Heather Belgin – 330-941-1591 or habelgin@ysu.edu

Sunday, March 8
Purpose: Washington D.C. Alumni Chapter Dinner with ROTC
Place: Support Students Visiting the Area
Time: Texas Jack’s
6:00 pm
Contact: Heather Belgin – 330-941-1591 or habelgin@ysu.edu

Related events:
Monday, March 9
Morning Tour of Pentagon
2:45 pm Meet at Tim Ryan’s office (he may not be present)
3:30 pm Tour of Capitol

Tuesday, March 10
Morning Visit to Arlington National Cemetery

Friday, March 13
Purpose: Greenville Alumni Chapter Dinner
Place: Social Gathering
Time: Sticky Fingers
6:00 pm
Contact: Heather Belgin – 330-941-1591 or habelgin@ysu.edu

Saturday, March 14
Purpose: CSRA/Columbia Alumni Chapter Dinner
Place: Social Gathering
Time: Woodside Plantation Country Club
6:00 pm
Contact: Heather Belgin – 330-941-1591 or habelgin@ysu.edu

Wednesday, March 18
Purpose: Skeggs Lecture Series presents Bill Nye
Place: Stambaugh Auditorium
Time: 5:30 pm Private meet and greet
7:00 pm Lecture
Contact: Jackie LeViseur – 330-941-2136 or jmileviseur@ysu.edu
Tuesday, March 31
Place: 
Time: 
Place: 
Time: 

**Thomas Colloquium presents Jennifer Hyman**
WCBA Business Class
4:00 pm
DeYor Performing Arts Center
6:00 pm Private dinner; Overture restaurant
7:00 pm Lecture; Ford theater

Wednesday, April 1
Place: 
Time: 
Place: 
Time: 

**Thomas Colloquium presents Jennifer Hyman**
Business Community Breakfast; Boardman Holiday Inn
7:30 am
WCBA Business Class
10:00 am
Jackie LeViseur – 330-941-2136 or jmleviseur@ysu.edu

Saturday, March 28
Purpose: 
Place: 
Time: 
Contact: 

**Columbus Alumni Chapter Gathering**
Social Gathering; University Updates
Hollywood Casino, Columbus
6:00 pm
Heather Belgin – 330-941-1591 or habelgin@ysu.edu

Sunday, March 29
Purpose: 
Place: 
Time: 
Contact: 

**Tampa Bay Alumni Chapter Outing**
Social Gathering; Florida Orchestra Concert
Ruth Eckerd Hall
7:30 pm
Heather Belgin – 330-941-1591 or habelgin@ysu.edu

Thursday, April 16
Place: 
Time: 
Place: 
Time: 

**Thomas Colloquium presents Stephen Dubner**
WCBA Auditorium
4:00 pm Student Presentation
Stambaugh Auditorium
5:30 pm Reception
7:00 pm Lecture
Jackie LeViseur – 330-941-2136 or jmleviseur@ysu.edu

Thursday, April 23
Place: 
Time: 
Contact: 

**Faculty and Staff Showcase**
Mr. Anthony’s
6:00 pm
Jackie LeViseur – 330-941-2136 or jmleviseur@ysu.edu

Saturday, May 9
Place: 
Time: 
Contact: 

**Commencement**
Stambaugh Stadium
10:00 am
Jackie LeViseur – 330-941-2136 or jmleviseur@ysu.edu

Saturday, June 6
Purpose: 
Place: 
Time: 
Contact: 

**Washington D.C. Alumni Chapter Outing**
Social Gathering at Washington Nationals
Nationals Park
7:15 pm
Heather Belgin – 330-941-1591 or habelgin@ysu.edu
Monday, August 17
Purpose:
Place:
Time:
Contact:

CSRA/Columbia Alumni Chapter Outing
Social Gathering at Augusta Green Jackets
SRP Park
7:05 pm
Heather Belgin – 330-941-1591 or habelgin@ysu.edu

Wednesday, September 16
Place:
Time:

Contact:

Skeggs Lecture Series presents Michael Symon
Stambaugh Auditorium
5:00 pm Cooking demo and private meet and greet
7:00 pm Lecture
8:00 pm Book signing
Jackie LeViseur – 330-941-2136 or jmleviseur@ysu.edu
$100M and counting
When the YSU Foundation publicly announced a goal of $100 million for its new capital campaign, a few skeptics looked on with arched eyebrows. After all, it was a record amount, by far - nearly $60 million higher than the university’s last comprehensive fund-raising campaign a dozen years ago. In late January, a little more than two years later, the Foundation held a news conference to announce that, not only had it reached the $100 million mark, it was setting a new goal of $125 million. “The success of this campaign has been nothing short of phenomenal, a reflection of the generous support and strong reputation that YSU has throughout the region and across the country,” said Jocelyne Kollay Linsalata, a YSU Foundation trustee and campaign chair. “We look forward to keeping the momentum going and setting our sights even higher.”

Teaming with Big Blue
YSU and IBM announced the launch of the YSU IT Workforce Accelerator designed to provide students and the local workforce with skills needed for high-tech jobs in the growing digital economy. The IBM-designed initiative will provide pre-apprenticeship training and apprenticeship program enablement so that local companies can train area workers in fields ranging from software engineering and data science to analytics, cybersecurity and mainframe systems administration.

South Korean connection
Local media turned up to witness a delegation of high-ranking representatives of Changwon National University in South Korea join YSU officials to sign an agreement to expand the partnership between the two schools, right. “As an international community, we have appreciated the diversity, perspective and academic excellence that Changwon National University students have brought onto campus,” said Nate Myers, associate provost of International and Global Initiatives at YSU.

Top research
Noor Khalayleh, senior Psychology major, placed first at the National Collegiate Honors Council Conference in New Orleans. Khalayleh won the top award in the education and pedagogy category.

Moot achievement
Four members of YSU’s nationally-ranked Moot Court team competed in the national tournament in January after winning two regional competitions and qualifying for the national tournament for the 11th consecutive year. The YSU Moot Court program was recently named the fifth best undergraduate program in the nation by the American Moot Court Association.

Ethics aesthetics
YSU’s Ethics Bowl team is at it again, winning the Central States Regional Ethics Bowl competition for the fourth consecutive year and advancing to the national finals for a fifth consecutive year. “The Ethics Bowl program continues to show that the students at YSU are among the best in the country and that we can compete with anyone, anywhere,” said Alan Tomhave, associate professor and chair of the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies.

Best of the best
YSU’s academic programs in computer science, public health, criminal justice, healthcare administration and business, as well as the university’s recycling efforts, were included on several national “best of” lists as 2019 came to a close: Online Schools Report, www.computertrainingschools.com, Intelligent.com and Great Value Colleges.

Fulbright from Egypt
Dina Abdo, a citizen of Egypt, is attending YSU as a Student Fulbright Scholar, believed to be the first student ever to study at YSU under the prestigious program. “This certainly speaks volumes about the growing reputation of both our Economics program and YSU as a whole,” said Ou Hu, chair of YSU’s Department of Economics.