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# The Open Air

*Houses are built for you to hold councils in. Indians hold theirs in the open air. I am a Shawnee.*

-- Tecumseh, Shawnee chief, 1819

Shawnee State University

May 7, 1990 Volume 4 Issue 24

Portsmouth, Ohio

## Senate removes member from office

### Fails to attend required meetings

By Alice Kimbler  
OA Editor

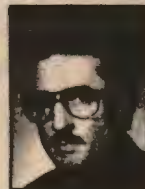
Student senate member Troy Tucker has been removed from his position on the senate for failure to attend the required number of meetings. In action at last Tuesday's senate meeting, the senate voted to dismiss Tucker for missing five meetings.

The student senate will present a "Bear Hug" award to an SSU student, faculty member or staff member who has done an outstanding job in providing service to students. Nominations should be submitted by students to Massie 214 by Friday. Dave Nelson, student senate president, announced the award.

Nelson said the student senate election will be Tuesday, May 8, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Cafe LeBears. Students must present valid ID's to vote.

Student senate candidates are Kevin Day, Crystal Holt, Jennifer Justice, Kia Lattimore, Bart Marcum, Laura Minton, Nelson, Nancy Adkins Robbins, Latricia Sessor, Merritt Sessor, Daniel Stewart and June Whitt.

The senate approved a request from Fred



Chrisman

■ **SSU clubs and organizations will have the opportunity to win cash prizes of \$100, \$75 and \$50 for bringing in the most donors in the student senate blood drive scheduled for the activities center 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 30.**

Chrisman, director of student activities, to sponsor a bean dinner the second day of Appalachian Spring: 1990, a cultural arts festival to be held on campus May 24-26.

Nelson said May 25 will be family day at the festival. "Students should bring family and friends to an open house to be held throughout SSU that day," he said.

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"Prizes will be given to individuals and food will be provided," said senate member Judy Lane, who is heading up the drive.

"Volunteers are needed to help on the day of the blood drive," Lane said.

Students may apply for a seat on the SSU board of trustees, Nelson said. "At least five

students must apply for the position," Chrisman said.

He said Gov. Celeste requires at least that many applications before a selection will be made for the one open position on the board. The deadline for application is Friday, May 11.

Hands Across Campus will be held again this year, Nelson said. Members of the SSU community are requested to gather on the campus green May 31 at 11:30 a.m. to form a circle around the green.

The event will commemorate SSU's achievements as a new university.

Hands Across Campus will continue until 2 p.m. with free punch, ice cream and entertainment. Loud and Clear, a local band, will play, Nelson said.

The senate meets Tuesday at 4 p.m. in Massie 214. The meeting is open to the public.

■ **Tell your counselor you want to register for Newspaper, a for-credit by-arrangement class for writers, photographers and artists. Call Alice Kimbler, Editor, at 355-2278 for details.**

### National Nurse's Week

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Student Nurses

For details, Sharon Scott,  
adviser, 355-2210

## Microcomputer users organize campus group



Stottlemeyer

SSU microcomputer users are organizing a campus micro user group open to students, faculty and staff.

At an organizational meeting April 26 Gary Stottlemeyer, librarian-automated services,

introduced proposed goals for the group.

Those in attendance agreed to promote personal computer information and resources among the entire SSU community.

Goals discussed included establishing a local bulletin board, creating a library of public domain and shareware software and developing an

informal network of experts who can advise on specific applications.

Gene Beckett, director of developmental education, volunteered to demonstrate the new Macintosh FX at a meeting May 31.

Contact Connie Salyers, reference librarian, at 355-2462 for details about the group.

## SSU Bear carver at forest festival

The woodcarver who fashioned Dr. Clive C. Veri's inauguration gift to SSU will be plying his craft at the Sixth Annual Shawnee Forestry Field Days Festival to be held on Odle Creek Road on May 18 through May 20.

Chuck Derby of Sandy Lake, Pa., carved a large grizzly bear mascot which not stands in the lobby of the activities center. Last November, Veri presented the bear to SSU to com-

memorate his inauguration as SSU's third president.

The festival is sponsored by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and will also feature uses of hardwood, log skidding and displays of old-time and modern forest harvesting equipment.

For further details on the festival, call Orin Campbell at 372-3194.

### CORRECTION

In two articles about SSU students visiting Medjugorje, Yugoslavia, in the April 30, 1990 issue, the speaker at SSU was Rita Frye, not Debbie Weber. Weber also visited Yugoslavia and was at the lecture.

Also, Ryan Redfern, listed as a SSU student, does not attend school here, and Ellen Pasturzak was another member of the pilgrimage.

### Student board of trustees

Applications for student board of trustees members due 5 p.m., May 11.  
Information in Massie 214.  
Interviews with candidates May 14-16.



# Student senate candidates take stand on issues

Election to be May 8

Letters and Candidates Listing provided as a service to SSU students so they may be better informed for voting in the May 8 Student Senate election.

**Candidate**  
**Merritt Sessor**  
Dear SSU Student:

I have a desire to be involved with the student government at SSU. I feel that I can make a contribution and a difference. Student senate members are faced with choices that affect each of our lives. I will listen and respond to the opinions expressed by my fellow students.

On May 8 I hope you will give me the opportunity to serve you. I believe the needs and problems of mothers who are trying to obtain an education are being overlooked

and I will remedy that. I am the mother of two little girls and I know the problems that students who are mothers face. I will actively support the possibility of on-site day care.

Another group that seems to be overlooked is the working students. I will strive to keep their needs in mind when decisions about scheduling of classes arise.

Students need to know that they can come to their senate members and be heard. This is the type of leadership I plan to offer SSU.

Thank you for your support and please vote for me on May 8.

Merritt Sessor

**Candidate**  
**Nancy Adkins Robbins**  
Dear SSU Student:

I have three years experience with student government and activities. I have served on student senate, student activities planning committee, cultural affairs, budget committee and as senate historian. I believe that student government must take an active role in student affairs and the community.

The students who represent you should always have your best interest in mind.

There are several issues that will need to be addressed in the coming year. Foremost among these is the need to search out, through surveys, polls, etc., what the students need and want. There is a need for senate members who will actively listen and then act appropriately.

The environment is another concern that the upcoming senate will need to address by helping students and the community to start acting locally and thinking globally. What we do or what we don't do in Portsmouth has an impact on the global village. We should be encouraging participation in recycling programs and other conser-

## Student Senate Candidates

Kevin Day  
Crystal Holt  
Jennifer Justice  
Kia Lattimore  
Bart Marcum  
Laura Minton  
Dave Nelson  
Nancy Adkins Robbins  
Latricia Sessor  
Merritt Sessor  
Daniel Stewart  
June Whitt

vation programs.

I sincerely ask each of you to take the time and vote. I would appreciate your vote and your support.

Nancy Adkins Robbins

### MEETING NOTICE

SSU FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE  
Board of Trustees in Boardroom  
Monday, May 14, 1990, 10:30 a.m.

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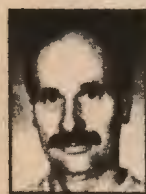


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## Science inservice held for Pike County teachers

*Teachers given science kits to take back to home schools*



Gemmer

SSU's office of continuing education recently welcomed teachers from the Pike County School District to campus for a science inservice day. The inservice offered teachers in grades three through six hands-on experimental experiences.

Conducting the sessions were Gary Gemmer, associate professor of

physics, Julia Basham, assistant professor of biological sciences, and Forest Kuhn of the Northwest School District. The topics were electricity and magnetism, and the plant-animal kingdom.

According to Lori Mitchell, coordinator of special programs, the instructors will be able to take their new experiences back to

the classroom to benefit their students. "Each teacher received a science kit filled with ready-to-use materials and experiments to take back to the classroom for future use," she said. "Also, each instructor received a video tape, made with the help of Pike County teachers, focusing on the plant-animal kingdom."



Mitchell

## RECYCLING

**PORTSMOUTH AND SCIOTO COUNTY NEED OUR HELP PUBLIC MEETING**

Monday, May 7, 7 p.m.  
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5th and Court Streets

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## SSU approved for college association

The Ohio College Association has approved SSU for membership. Dr. Clive C. Veri, SSU president, is SSU's delegate to the association.

The OCA, founded in 1867, is a consortium of more than 80 private and public two- and four-year institutions from across Ohio.

The organization's purpose is "to promote the cause of higher education within the state of Ohio and to encourage inter-institutional communication and coopera-

tive endeavors on the part of both independent and public non-profit colleges and universities."

The association is governed by an elected board of nine presidents representing public and private higher education institutions.

The executive committee includes Paige Mulhollan, president of Wright State University, president; John J. Light, president of Hocking Technical College, past president;

and DeBow Freed, president of Ohio Northern University, president-elect.

Through a diverse group of statewide higher education professional organizations, the OCA says it strives to promote institutional communication.

OCA affiliates include the Academic Library Association of Ohio, the Ohio College Association of Social Work Educators and the OCA's Purchasing Council.

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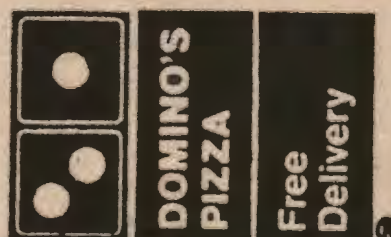
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# Appalachian Spring 1990

## Festival to celebrate area's cultural heritage

**T**radition as old as the hills and "SSU, a bright new jewel along the Ohio" will join hands in a community-wide celebration May 24 through 26 when SSU presents Appalachian Spring 1990.

From fiddlers "weaving memories" to quilters "stitching generations together," the festival will focus on the traditional arts that have made the region of Southern Ohio and Northeastern Kentucky world-renowned.

"Part of our mission is to foster a positive sense of our cultural identity," says Barbara Edwards, coordinator of Appalachian Spring.

"We have culture rich in traditional music, crafts and other lore that has been handed down orally since the earliest settlement periods, and we have a commitment to the value of this traditional culture to this part of the Appalachian region," Edwards says.

Edwards, a founder of the Mountain Heritage Folk Festival, said the festival will be a bundle of fun. "We are inviting the whole community to its newest university to celebrate the oldest traditions of Southern Ohio and Northeastern Kentucky," she said. "Of course the festival will be educational, but it's also a participation event for people to enjoy the pickers, open-kettle soup beans and the quilting competi-

tion."

Like the Ohio River, the tunes of Appalachia never stop flowing through the hills, Edwards says. At Appalachian Spring 1990 the sounds of old-timers such as Bob Prater of Mud Lick, the Bottom of the Barrel Bunch, Charley Kinney of Toller Hollow and Roy Hill of Rocky Fork, will fill the SSU campus green each day from noon until 7 p.m.

The music is a tie to the past," Edwards says, who is a well-known singer and dulcimer performer herself.

The Appalachian Spring's kitchen will feature barbecued ribs, German foods, open-kettle soup beans, cornbread and home-baked goodies, she says.

Edwards says although Appalachian Spring will be a togetherness experience, competition will be keen when some of the area's best stitchers display their works and vie for first in the quilt competition.

"The competition will award ribbons in seven categories for the finest handmade quilts," Edwards says.

Entry setup for the quilt competition will be May 23 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. An awards ceremony will be May 26 at noon.



Demonstrations of traditional crafts will be at the festival with craftspeople exhibiting carvings, weaving and pottery throwing.

The Southern Ohio Museum and Cultural Center will present "Mountain Harmonies," an exhibition of paintings and carved constructions by Charley, Noah and Hazel Kin-

ney of Lewis County, Ky., as an addition happening of Appalachian Spring.

Traditional crafts will serve as a focal point in the festival's Appalachian Film Festival.

Beginning at noon each day, films on topics ranging from quilting to old-time religion will be featured.

Among the artists featured, Gurney Norman, Appalachian writer and film producer,

will show his soon-to-be-released movie, *Fat Monro*, which stars Ned Beatty, a Kentucky native.

Norman will present "Gurney Norman: A Kentucky Author Reads from His Work," at the festival on May 26 at 11 a.m. Norman will appear at the South Shore, Ky. library on May 25.

An Appalachian Book Fair will be held in the activities center each day of the festival from noon to 5 p.m.

George Brosi of Appalachian Mountain Books will display and sell hard-to-find books focusing on the Appalachian Region.

"We're so delighted to host Appalachian Spring 1990, because it will be a great opportunity for the community, and especially our students, to relax or dance, but most of all, enjoy the culture that has made this region strong," Edwards says.

For additional information about participating in Appalachian Spring 1990

call Edwards at 355-2334; for details about the quilt competition, call Trudy Bostick at 355-2344.



■ 'We're so delighted to host Appalachian Spring 1990...'

-- Barbara Edwards

# Southern Ohio



# A Community Celebration

**Area  
musicians  
to perform  
at festival**

*Roy Hill of Rock Fork, Ohio, Barb Edwards, Appalachian Spring 1990 coordinator, and Dr. John Simon, tune up for the upcoming Appalachian Spring 1990 festival. The community-wide celebration begins on the SSU campus on May 24 and runs through May 26. The festival will celebrate the cultural heritage of Northeastern Kentucky and Southern Ohio.*

*Photo at right, left to right SSU photo*



## Northeastern Kentucky



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-- Mike Zempter

## Portsmouth area steeped in history

*Area populated thousands of years before white man came*

By Mike Zempter  
OA Staff Writer

Portsmouth is a quiet place. Too quiet, sometimes. Could it be that we sit on what amounts to the largest, most important Indian burial ground anywhere?

The Indians who were here when the white man arrived always spoke reverently of their "ancestors". Their ancestors, in this area, were the Hopewell-Adena forest people, who built the capital of their great, forgotten nation on the site we now occupy.

They left or died out about 800 AD, leaving behind a great city of lodges and mounds. Many mounds, some two miles around, recessed in the middle, with seven openings on the walls. On certain, intoxicating occasions, the Adena maidens would gather within the great rectangle and the men would begin to run, circling the enclosure, and as the ladies saw fit, they would dart out through a gap, grab a good man and draw him within the walls, to make love with him on the ground. This blessed the crops, I guess. But what about the guys no woman wanted? Did they run all night?

Other mounds were built in the shape of box canyons, and the Adena would drive large animals into the open end, then spear and stone them to death from above. In the 1920s, a geological survey team came here from the Ivy League and sank shafts in the ground at several places on the hilltop, around Kinneys Lane. The earth they drew up was out of order under the crust, indicating that the entire hilltop was an artificial structure -- the greatest mound of all.

When the European white settled in these glades, he cared nothing for the ancient history so apparent here, though these ruins would have been North America's equivalent of the Pyramid plateau at Gizah, Egypt, and finding the mounds incredibly inconvenient for farming, he went ahead and plowed them under. Goodbye to all that.

The history of Portsmouth is inextricably tied to the Indian -- and to the Ohio River -- but in the day of the Hopewell-Adena, there was no Ohio River. Then it was the River Teays that swirled through here, but one awesome day in the long ago, the Teays went underground, and now runs beneath the Ohio, diagonally to the Southwest, with three times the Ohio's volume. The A-plant uses its water, and surely

■ There once was a settlement called Alexandria that stood near the confluence of the Scioto and the Ohio rivers, and was intended to be the center of community in this area.

-- Mike Zempter

hides its radioactive residue there, too.

This might be the white man's version of a curse, though even in the time before the nuclear reactor, the Indian called this "Sick Valley," and the land across the river was "Dark and Bloody Ground." Why we joke about it, I don't know.

In reviewing Evan's *Pioneer History of Scioto County*, one continually receives telegrams from the Portsmouth past.

"Great flood in the Ohio, February, 1772... February 7, 1883, Ohio rising a foot an hour... February 6, 1884, the greatest flood in the Ohio Valley since it had been settled by white men." Alarming dispatches received from up

the river. "By evening, it was over Slabtown."

The pioneer history, published in 1903, reveals that there once was a settlement called Alexandria that stood near the confluence of the Scioto and the Ohio

rivers, and was intended to be the center of community in this area.

It was a sort of pre-Portsmouth, complete with an inn and stables, equipped to serve as a stopover for the riverboat crews at the birth of the 19th century and expected, no doubt, to prosper and grow.

"1805, flood covered Alexandria... March 1807, Alexandria experienced another flood which settled its fate... January 1809, Alexandria flooded and the hegira to Portsmouth began."

The village of Portsmouth was incorporated in 1816, and by 1832, the settlement held about 1,100 souls. Alexandria was a ghost town.

"Feb. 17, 1832, floodwaters at 61 feet, 8 inches... 1847, only December flood on record, again 61 feet."

50 years and seven major floods into her existence, Portsmouth still had no levee or river wall. The only mercy the river showed was its habit of flooding in the winter, sparing the precious planting and growing seasons.

"Aug. 5, 1875, river reaches 55 feet, 6 inches. Only summer flood in history of Portsmouth... all corn on Scioto low bottoms destroyed." The seasonal truce was breached.

The settlers must have wondered if this place was not meant to be settled. For 100 years, it was a death struggle, but then came 1884. The clouds had been saving up 50 years for this one. "Sunday, February 10... a rain sets in... by Monday morning, a stretch of Sixth Street was the only part of the city out of water except a part of the ridge which is now the site of the high school."

Tuesday morning, Feb. 12, 1884, the 19th century's greatest flood reached its height at 66 feet -- four feet and two inches higher than the 1832 deluge. The first floodwall was subsequently constructed to contain a 66-foot flood. Box cars were used for housing, and as the waters receded, "... the old stone house at Alexandria crumbled away." Thus departed the last trace of the area's original settlement. Tuesday evening, with the water holding at 66 feet, the weather turned bitter cold.

Reported losses amounted to \$527,384 uninflated dollars, but the town paper (*The Tribune*) said this was "not half." Clothing and money were sent from all parts of the country, strangely enough, with the main contributions coming from Boston, Mass.

Robert Lincoln, Secretary of War and son of the late president, sent \$2,000, even stranger, while the city of Columbus contributed \$17.50. Could this be the origin of the phrase "Go, Bucks"?

With painful slowness, the inundation seeped south, and the town began to resuscitate. At 2:45 p.m. on Sept. 19 of that year, "there was an earthquake in Portsmouth."

In the winter of 1855-56, the river froze over for 47 days. "It was as if there were no river." Sleighs and teams of horses used the river as a roadway for weeks. There were many attempts to start the ice moving. Blasting was used to no effect.

The weather observation station in Portsmouth is second oldest in the United States (established 1830), "and there are but two older stations in the world."

Further chapters on Portsmouth Area history by Zempter and other historians will follow in the Open Air as Portsmouth celebrates its earlier years with its 175th Birthday Celebration this year and the Always A River Celebration in 1991.

### Portsmouth's 175th Birthday Celebration

#### The Open Air

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### Coming Events

The Open Air staff meeting  
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Newsroom Massie 411

Imagination Celebration  
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Dance Performance  
Bon et Fiddle Studio performers  
7:30 p.m. Saturday  
3 p.m. Sunday  
Massie Theatre  
Open to public, tickets at door

International Film Series  
The Marriage of Maria Braun (German)  
6 to 10 p.m. May 16  
Massie Theatre  
Open and free to the public

La Tertulia La Fiesta  
May 17  
Free and open to the public

SSU Board of Trustees meeting  
7:30 p.m. May 21  
Massie Theatre  
Public Meeting

Lois Rase Spring Dance Recital  
7 p.m. May 30  
Activities Center  
\$6 adults, \$ students, 574-8131

#### Candidate Latricia Sessor

Dear SSU Student:

On May 8 the students of SSU will elect 10 student senate members who will represent the rest of us in the 1990-91 academic year. In previous years very few SSU students have voted, about 150 to 160 at the most. I would like to encourage all students to vote.

And when you vote please consider voting for me. There are several reasons why I believe you should consider me as your representative on the student senate.

First, the issue of day care for SSU parents. I will conduct a feasibility study and attempt to convince SSU administration and the board of trustees of the need for this service on campus.

Second, the issue of student input on major policy changes. When it became necessary for changes to be implemented in the class schedule the senate should have taken the initiative to find out what the students needs and thoughts were on the subject. The current members did not.

Third, the environmental impact SSU has on our community is very important. The student government should take an active role in seeking ways that will positively reinforce efforts towards recycling newsprint, computer paper, aluminium and glass.

And most of all I believe student senate members should be accountable to their fellow students.

Latricia Sessor

**MEETING NOTICE**  
SSU Finance and Facilities Committee  
Board of Trustees in Boardroom  
Monday, May 14, 1990, 10:30 a.m.  
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#### Candidate June Whitt

Dear SSU Student

Currently, I'm a very active member of the student senate government. As a dedicated representative of the student body, I've made a firm commitment to act as a participating voice for all students enrolled here at SSU.

In addition to my involvement with the student senate, I've been a very active member in the Education Club CORE, since its origination in the 1988-89 school year.

Presently, I'm serving on a committee designed to organize the upcoming campus blood drive. Also, I'll be assisting with the Spring graduation ceremonies, scheduled for June 15. Finally, I plan to help organize this year's Hands Across Campus project.

Recently, several fellow students came to me suggesting the cafeteria's stereo system needed updating. I brought this concern before the student senate and measures are now being taken to install a new stereo system in the cafeteria to benefit all SSU students.

I feel SSU has great potential for future growth and leadership. If elected as a member of the student senate, it will be my goal to encourage campus-wide student participa-

tion in student related clubs, organizations and activities. More importantly, I want to be a true representing voice for the student body.

June Whitt

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A pledge of \$25,000 has been made by Hayes, Tanner and Stone to SSU's "Crossing the Threshold," capital campaign.

"All our lives, we have been involved in the local community," said Earl C. Hayes, Jr., a partner in the local architectural firm. "We believe in the university and want to see it go."

Partner David F. Stone said the firm has been involved in projects at SSU and this is just another way for the firm to support the expansion.

The firm is the architect for the library now under construction. "I think one only needs to look at our beautiful campus to see the contributions Earl Hayes, Mark Tanner and David Stone have made," said Robert E. Dever, "Crossing" general chairman.

"SSU was a unique situation," Hayes said in describing the rapid growth enjoyed by Ohio's newest university. "Some people

had a strong desire to do it and put in a lot of hard work to make sure it became a university.

"And, of course, Mr. Riffe's assistance has been invaluable. He has been a very dynamic part of the whole growth at SSU."

Stone said he hopes, with the help of the capital campaign, that SSU will become an even greater force in Portsmouth's future.

"SSU will probably have its biggest impact on the young people," Stone said. "Even if the graduates of the university don't stay in the area, we hope that they will be successful and when people ask where they are from, they will say Portsmouth and SSU."

"And, when industry looks at a place to locate, one of the things they look at is access to an institution which can provide training and retraining for its employees," Hayes said. "SSU needs to offer things that are unique," Hayes concluded.



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