



All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Calendar of Events

10/24		Last Day to Withdraw From a Course
	4 p.m.	Young Men's Choral Festival, Steadman
	7 p.m.	Penn State Glee Club, Steadman
10/25	11 a.m.	Pamela Wells, Viola Recital, Steadman
	noon	Field Hockey vs. IUP, Spaulding
	1 p.m.	Steven Dixon, Senior Piano Recital, Steadman
	1:30 p.m.	Women's Soccer vs. Dominican, Soccer Field
	3 p.m.	John Mada & Alison Yuravich, Senior Voice Recital, Steadman
	7:30 p.m.	Choral Collage, Steadman
10/26	2 p.m.	Catherine Bollinger, Senior Clarinet Recital, Steadman
	4 p.m.	Chris Scheetz, Senior Trombone Recital, Steadman
	6 p.m.	Stephanie Swart, Senior Violin Recital, Steadman
	7:30 p.m.	Ben Mortiz, Faculty Piano Recital, Steadman
	8 p.m.	Departments of Theatre & Music "Off-Beat Productions" present <i>Urinetown, The Musical</i> , Straughn
10/27		Registration for Spring Semester Begins
	4 p.m.	MLP Assertive Communication Workshop, Alumni, Room 312
		Workshop: Whole Body Wellness and Leadership, Alumni, Room 314
	8 p.m.	"A Celebration of Diversity: All the World's a Stage: From Exclusion to Inclusion," B.D. Wong, Straughn
	8:15 p.m.	OctubaFest, Steadman
10/28	1 p.m.	MLP Leadership Self Assessment Workshop, Alumni, room 312
		Workshop: Your Major is Not Your Career, Alumni, Room 314
10/29	3 p.m.	Women's Soccer vs. Kutztown, Steadman
	4 p.m.	Workshop: How to Run a Meeting Effectively, Alumni, Room 314
		MLP Values/Mission/Vision Workshop. Alumni, Room 312
10/30	1 p.m.	Featured Presentation: Striving for Financial Success, Alumni, Room 301
		Workshop: Leadership Relations of Boomers, X, Y and Millennials, Alumni, Room 314
	7:30 p.m.	String Chamber Orchestra, Gmeiner Art & Cultural Center, Wellsboro

President Loeschke Receives Contract Extension

The Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education's (PASSHE) Board of Governors has extended the contract of Mansfield University President Maravene Loeschke and 12 other PASSHE University presidents through June 30, 2011.

The action came at the Board of Governors quarterly meeting on Thursday, October 23 in Harrisburg.

The Board of Governors is responsible for the employment of the 14 PASSHE University presidents. The decision whether to renew a president's contract is made annually, based on the recommendations of each University's Council of Trustees and PASSHE Chancellor John C. Cavanaugh.

The Mansfield Council of Trustees unanimously recommended she receive a contract extension at a special meeting on August 27. Loeschke assumed the MU presidency on July 1, 2006.

Music Ensembles Perform for PASSHE Board

The accolades and honors continue for the Mansfield University Concert Choir and the Mansfieldians.

The ensembles, which won gold medals at the World Choir Games in Graz, Austria last July, performed for the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) Board of Governors at their quarterly meeting in Harrisburg on Thursday, October 23.

After their performance the entire audience, which included the Governors, university presidents, Chancellor John C. Cavanaugh and PASSHE staff, gave the groups a standing ovation.

PASSHE Board Chair Kenneth M. Jarin praised the students and their directors, Peggy Dettwiler and Sheryl Monkeliën, for representing themselves, Mansfield and PASSHE with distinction.

The Concert Choir, under the direction of Dettwiler, took the top prize in the spiritual and gospel open category at the World Choir Games.

The Mansfieldians, a select 12-member ensemble of Concert Choir members directed by Monkeliën, won the first place in the jazz vocal ensemble a cappella category.

Both ensembles will be among the groups performing in the annual Choral Collage on Saturday, October 25, at 7:30 p.m. in Steadman Theatre. The concert is free and open to the public.

Softball Team Earns Academic Honors

The Mansfield University women's softball team is one of 57 NCAA Division II squads to earn National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) All-Academic Team recognition for the 2008 season.

Five Mountaineer players: Shana Markwis, Melissa Baer, Michelle Forsburg, Janelle Antes and Amanda Lewis were named NFCA Scholar-Athletes.

The 2008 Mountaineers compiled a 3.26 cumulative grade-point average and were ranked 25th among the 264 Division II NCAA Softball programs.

The All-Academic Team listings are based on cumulative team grade-point averages submitted by NFCA member head coaches for the 2007-08 academic year.

"As a college head coach, you strive for the true balance – success on the playing field and in the classroom," Head Coach Edith Gallagher said. "Our team achieved this feat and they are true examples of a 'student-athlete.' As in winning games, this academic award is truly a team effort."

To be eligible for the team, players must have compiled a 3.5 grade point average (or higher) for the past (2007-08) academic year. Markwis and Forsburg are two-time honorees, while Baer, Antes and Lewis are first time honorees.

Over the past four years, the MU softball program has garnered 16 NFCA Scholar-Athlete awards

Actor B.D. Wong to Speak on Monday

Actor B.D. Wong, known to TV fans as forensic psychiatrist Dr. George Huang on NBC's *Law and Order: Special Victims Unit*, will speak at Mansfield University on Monday, October 27, 8 p.m. in Straughn Hall.

Wong's talk is entitled "A Celebration of Diversity: All the World's a Stage: From Exclusion to Inclusion." It is free and open to the public.

Before *Law and Order*, Wong gained critical acclaim for his portrayal of Father Ray Mukada on the controversial HBO series *Oz*. He made his Broadway debut in *M. Butterfly* in 1988. His performance earned him a Tony Award, Outer Critics Circle Award, Theatre World Award, Drama Desk Award and Clarence Derwent Award. No other Broadway actor has won all five of these awards for a single role in one play.

Among his other starring roles, Wong played Linus in the Broadway revival of *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown*. Currently, he is performing in *Herringbone*, a one-man vaudeville about the anguish that a child experiences when trying to find himself amidst the personalities that others would impose upon him.

In films, Wong has had prominent roles in *Jurassic Park*, *Executive Decision*, *Father of the Bride I and II* and *Seven Years in Tibet*. He was also the voice of Captain Li Shang in Disney's animated features, *Mulan I and II*.

In 2003, Wong released his book, *Following Foo: The Electronic Adventures of the Chestnut Man*, a memoir about the personal journey for him and his partner on their path to parenthood, which involved a

surrogate, an egg from his partner's sister and identical twins born 13 weeks prematurely, one who died shortly after birth and the other needing months of intensive care. Wong's email updates to close friends during this time provided the foundation for the memoir.

Wong's appearance is sponsored by the Offices of Student Affairs and Residence Life and the Human Resources & Multicultural Affairs Department.

MU Young Men's Choral Festival to Feature Penn State Glee Club

The Mansfield University student chapter of the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) will host its ninth annual Young Men's Choral Festival (YMCF) on Friday, October 24.

More than 150 young men in grades seven, eight and nine, from schools across Pennsylvania and New York will take part. This year's guest conductor is Paul Rardin, associate director of Choirs at the University of Michigan.

The students will spend their day in rehearsals, workshops, and in a master class given by the Penn State Glee Club, under the direction of Christopher Kiver.

A free public performance featuring the Young Men's Festival Choir, conducted by Rardin, will be given at 4 p.m. in Steadman Theatre. The Mansfield University Men's Chorus, under the direction of Peggy Dettwiler, the Round Four barbershop quartet, which is made of singers from MU, will also perform. The YMCF chorus and the MU Men's Chorus will join forces for the finale,

The concert will culminate YMCF Chorus and the MU Men's Chorus combining forces to perform *Praise His Holy Name* by Keith Hampton.

At 7 p.m. in Steadman Theatre, the Penn State Glee Club will make its Mansfield debut.

Founded in 1888, the Glee Club is Penn State's oldest student organization. Since its first spring tour in March of 1889, the Glee Club has toured throughout the U.S. and abroad, with recent tours to Wales, Trinidad and Tobago and France.

The Glee Club has also sung at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City, and Notre-Dame de Paris. They were invited to perform at the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association State Conference in April 2007, and in 2008 performed at the National Seminar of the Intercollegiate Men's Choruses Inc. in Virginia. Next March, the Penn State Glee Club will perform at the Music Educators National Conference Eastern Division Convention in Providence, RI.

The final two selections of the concert will feature the Glee Club and the MU Men's Chorus singing the Biebl *Ave Maria* and Grieg's *Brothers Sing On!*

The concert is free and open to the public.

Alumnus to Give Presentation on Bank Security Issues

Mansfield University alumnus Guy Wentsler, an officer with First National Bank of Fredericksburg, PA, will return to campus on Tuesday, November 11, to give a talk about security issues facing the banking industry.

The talk will be held on Alumni Hall, Room 307 at 6:30 p.m. Wentsler will be introduced by his son Daniel, a Criminal Justice major at MU who is scheduled to graduate this spring.

Guy Wentsler's presentation will cover a wide variety of topics including money laundering, bank fraud and identity theft.

A 1980 Mansfield graduate, Wentsler has been an officer with First National for 11 years. He credits the debate emphasis in Professor Edward Ryan's for preparing him to teach, conduct financial clinics, make presentations at board meetings, and engage in question and answer sessions in stressful situations.

The presentation is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by the MU Criminal Justice Club.

SCHOLARS SPOTLIGHT

Jeffrey Bosworth, History & Political Science, served as moderator for the debate of candidates running for the Fifth Congressional District seat, held October 20 in Straughn Hall.

Holly Pieper, Communication & Theatre, has been invited by the Universal Accreditation Board in Public Relations to write examination questions for the Accreditation in Public Relations Examination. The

questions are based on ethical behavior and integrity in the public relations field. The examination program is administered by Public Relations Society of America (PRSA). The examination measures a candidate's knowledge of public relations practice, communications theory, management science, ethics and general understanding of the profession. Approximately 6,000 public relations professionals are accredited.

STUDENT SCENE

Mary Nance, MU's Outstanding English Major, accompanied by **John Ulrich** and **Jimmy Guignard**, English & Modern Languages, attended the annual conference of the English Association of the Pennsylvania State Universities, held at Kutztown University on October 17-18. Nance was recognized at the conference luncheon along with the Outstanding English Majors from other Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) institutions. She also presented her paper, "Contained by the Military in Mind and Body: A Black Regiment," An Analysis of the Experience of Former Slaves as Represented in Thomas Wentworth Higginson's *Army Life in a Black Regiment* (1869). Ulrich and Guignard both participated in a roundtable discussion called "Shared Concerns: First-Year Writing Assessment within PASSHE."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Music Department will present the annual Fall Choral Collage on Saturday, October 25, at 7:30 p.m. in Steadman Theatre. The concert is free and open to the public. More than 200 singers under the direction of Peggy Dettwiler and Sheryl Monkeliën, as well as graduate student conductors John Hunter II and Masashi Kishimoto, will perform. The program, featuring the Men's and Women's Choirs, Festival Chorus, Mansfieldians and the Concert Choir, will present works from the Renaissance period through Gospel and Jazz styles.
- The MU String Chamber Orchestra will make its concert debut on Thursday, October 30, 7:30 p.m. at the Gmeiner Art & Cultural Center, 134 Main Street in Wellsboro. The concert is free and open to the public. The String Chamber Orchestra is a new ensemble at the university, founded and conducted by Kenneth Sarch. The ensemble is comprised of 12 string players from the MU Music Department.
- The Departments of Theatre and Music "Off-Beat Productions" will present *Urinetown, The Musical* on Sunday, October 26 at 8 p.m. in Straughn Hall. The MU production is directed by Michael Crum, professor of Theatre. Tickets \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and are available at the door. *Urinetown, The Musical* is a presentation of the MU Late Night Event-Weekend Series. The series is sponsored by the Office of Student Activities.
- The MU baseball team will hold "Kids Night Out" on November 8 and December 6 at Decker Gymnasium from 6-9:30 p.m. "Kids Night Out" is an evening of games and activities for children ages 5-18 supervised by the MU baseball team. Cost is \$7 per child, with a family rate of \$1 off for each additional child. For more information call (570)662-4457.
- The Mansfield Association of Educational Office Professionals (MAEOP) will hold its third annual auction on Friday, November 7, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. in Alumni Hall, Room 307. More than 120 items from local merchants, crafters, professionals and private donations will be available. There will also be a 50/50 giveaway and refreshments for sale. Auction tickets are \$5 for first sheet of 25 and \$1 for each additional sheet. They will be available on the day of the auction or in advance from any MAEOP member. Tickets will be draw on November 7 at 4 p.m. Winners need not be present to win. For a complete list of prizes, check online at www.mansfield.edu/~stuactiv/MAEOPmainpage.htm. For more information, or to make a donation, contact Lindy Hampsher at bhampshe@mansfield.edu or x4876. All proceeds to be used for scholarships and educational development.
- MAEOP is sponsoring a bus excursion to the Crossings Premium Outlets and American Candle Co. on Saturday, November 22. The Crossings Premium Outlets features more than 100 outlet stores. At the American Candle Co. participants can see a candle carving demonstration. The cost is \$35 for coach bus transportation. Reservation and non-refundable payment are due by October 24. For more information or to make a reservation, contact Lindy Hampsher at bhampshe@mansfield.edu or x4876.

SPORTS UPDATE

The sprint football team returns to action weekend, travelling to Princeton for a game Friday night. The game will be broadcast live on WNTE 89.5 FM and be streamed on the internet at <http://gomounties.com>.

Director of Athletic Operations and Information Steve McCloskey will provided the play-by-play starting with a pregame show at 6:45 p.m.

To listen to the game on the internet go to <http://gomounties.com> and click just below the football helmet on the upper left side of the page. That link will take you to the WNTE 89.5 FM webpage. On the left side of the screen be a listen live box. Go to the off campus section and click on 24k for dial-up and 64k for a broadband connection next to windows media player.

The field hockey team will be home on Saturday to take on IUP at noon at Spaulding Field. The Mountaineers then close out their regular season at Kutztown on Tuesday.

MU is 7-11, 3-4 in the PSAC West, after losses at Millersville last Saturday and to Bloomsburg on Wednesday.

The women's soccer squad host Dominican on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and will also be home to face Kutztown on Wednesday at 3 p.m.

The Mountaineers are 4-10-1, 1-8-1 in the PSAC East, after losses at West Chester last Saturday and Shippensburg on Tuesday.

The MU cross country teams will compete in the PSAC Championships at Lock haven next Saturday, November 1.

Last Saturday at the CTC Championship, Clarissa Correll took second and Brenae Edwards third in the women's race. Joe Stanek finished second in the men's event and the MU men finished second in the team standings. The women came in third.

The women's swim team travels to Bloomsburg for a dual meet Saturday.

The Mountaineers lost their season opening meet at Penn State-Altoona last Saturday.

For all the latest Mountaineer information and scores, check online at <http://gomounties.com>

THE BOTTOM LINE

“The good life is inspired by love and guided by knowledge.”

--Bertrand Russell