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Kent State University - Stark Campus
Regional universities coming?

By Robert Bernier

Stark Branch may become part of a regional university. This is a part of a proposal that may be submitted to the Ohio Legislature in Columbus by the State Board of Regents.

The plan would strip all state universities of their branches and establish these as regional colleges governed by the regents and state college presidents in the area.

The colleges in each district would offer a two-year program in technical education and arts and sciences.

The status of remaining courses (fine-professional arts, etc.) is currently in doubt.

Advisory committees would be established to help develop technology programs in relation to the labor market demands of the area.

In addition to the plan, the regents have asked for an appropriation increase of $141 million, tuition increase to $750 per year and adding a student, professor and university presidents as non-voting members of the boards of trustees of all state universities.

Dr. John Millet, chancellor of the Regents, stated that he is displeased with the lack of progress currently being made by the branches as satellites of the main universities.

The Daily Kent Stater quoted KSU President Robert I. White's reaction to the plan who said, "We have expressed concern about the move to regionalize the branches. We feel that that would lessen their academic contact with the universities and ultimately work to their harm."

Under the new proposal, Kent State would get less money from the state per full time student, according to John W. Bunn, KSU vice-president of business and finance.

The decrease in state funds would be accompanied by an increase in student fees up to $250 per quarter.

Quarter tuition here at Stark Branch is currently $180, having been recently raised $10. Tuition on main campus is currently $190.

The plan is expected to be acted upon by the Ohio legislature in the near future.

Hamilton directs

By Mike Chanak

"All right, begin, 1-2-3," commands Choir Director William Hamilton (right) to his group of 50 students.

And the Stark Branch Choir responds with "Kyrie eleison," the opening phrase of Schubert's Mass in G Major, and continues the 25-minute oratorio sung totally in Latin.

On March 9, the Mass will be presented as a part of the choir's winter concert.

During rehearsals, Hamilton sings with the group while coaching them repetitively.

"I've tried to get as many people as possible interested in music here," he said, while adding, "Of course, not all students are capable of singing in an advanced group such as this."

A teacher at other KSU academic branches for five years who came to Stark Branch last year, Hamilton is attempting to provide an appreciation of music to his students. According to him, an understanding of musical sound, sight and background is important.

"A student should know what historical period a composer wrote in, the socio-economic level of the people of that time and how these factors influenced the music written," he said.

Stark County Branch freshman Bill Fisher is president of the choir.

Ministry class visits

A campus ministry class from the Methodist Theological School in Ohio at Delaware will spend Wednesday here as part of their course work.

The class will meet with students, faculty and administrators.

Their purpose is to study the Interfaith Campus Ministry's relation to Stark County Branch.
Branch clubs offer varied programs

By Nancy Weber

Choir: Any student who enjoys singing should join the choir, which may or may not be taken for a credit.

William Hamilton, director of Kent Stark's choral groups, encourages any interested student to come to Room 100 any Tuesday or Thursday from 4 to 4:50.

Political Science Forum: This organization is interested in providing a forum for political thought which is not party affiliated and to educate its members in political science through guest speakers and tours.

Officers include Bill Bernier, president; Bill Fisher, vice-president; Schelle Dando, secretary; and Myrtle Rothwell, treasurer.

Meetings will be held in Room 220 and the dates will be announced in "It's of Interest." Anyone interested in joining may contact Schelle Dando, 492-0542.

Student Government: This organization works on changing and improving different things around Kent Stark, such as selecting a new mascot, having 3.2 beer on campus and many others.

David Seffens is president; Bill Eaglesowksi, vice-president and chairman of the Senate; president pro-tem po re is, parliamentarian; and Flo Smiley-coff, secretary.

Anyone interested may attend Student Senate meetings which are held every other Sunday at 1 p.m. in Room 204.

Another list of clubs and organizations will appear later in Montage.

Committee checks on High Court

By Mike Ebert

The senate judiciary committee consisting of chairman Joseph Skvareninia, Robert Bernier and Rick Ferguson has been appointed to investigate the student high court.

To this date, only one case has been referred to the high court.

This was a case last March with Robert Sullivan as plaintiff to declare as unconstitutional a proposed amendment to the constitution changing the election of president and vice president from the fall to the spring quarter.

Sullivan filed a petition requesting a writ of asserori to be issued to subpoena records of a lower court to be used in the high court.

Since no lower court existed, the high court ruled the petition not applicable and refused to review the case.

The amendment was then passed and is now in effect.

The judiciary committee has been appointed to discover why the high court has done nothing other than this.

New club meeting set

The first meeting of the Single Young Adults Club will be at 7:30 p.m., February 2 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Canton.

The club is sponsored by seven area Protestant churches and is open to all Branch students.

The meetings will be held monthly.

Bookstore loses 4% on textbooks bought

The textbooks you buy at Stark Branch's bookstore are sold at a 4% loss, according to the department's director, Richard Fritsche.

He says that pricing of books is controlled by the publishers who allow bookstores a 20% discount. But along with freight costs, returning excess quantities of books and the operational costs of the bookstore, the discount is quickly absorbed with a 4% loss resulting on sales.

Textbooks comprise the largest department of the bookstore, accounting for over 60% of its sales. The bookstore sold approximately 4,696 textbooks and 1,174 paperbacks - a total of 5,870 books -- Winter Quarter.

Fritsche said national figures suggest bookstores cost about 4 to 5% of the total educational costs.

Hoover resigns office

The office of president pro tempore of the Student Senate is now vacant after the recent resignation of former President Pro Tem William Hoover.

Hoover is not attending classes this quarter at Stark Branch for personal reasons.

An election for his post will be held at Sunday's senate meeting.

Candidates for the office include Robert Bernier, Ronald Sigrist, Joseph Skvareninia and Mark Sokol.

The vacancy in the chair of chief justice of the Student High Court has been tentatively filled with the appointment of Craig Winston by David Seffens, student body president. The appointment is subject to approval by the senate screening committee.
B. G., Warren fall to Cobras cagers

By Bob George

Stark added two more to the win column by rolling over both Bowling Green Sandusky 84-53 and Kent State Warren 92-76 for the second time this season.

The Cobras, now 11-1, prevailed by controlling the boards over smaller Sandusky but failed to win as impressively as the 120-50 defeat Dec. 28. Sandusky's gun, 5'7" Chuck Dgovicak, led both teams with 31 points followed by Stark's Guy Mack with 22 and Chester Bryant with 21.

Stark shot 82 from the field, hitting 36 for 44% and, again, hit less than 50% from the foul line on 12 of 25.

The Cobras could not improve on their 81-56 trouncing last Nov. 23, but succeeded in stopping the fired-up Warren five who led by as much as eight points in the first half. Stark's offense put things together and led 48-38 at half time.

Henry McGee came off the bench for Mack, who was in foul trouble, and led the Cobras with 22 points followed by Mack and Rick Swank with 19 apiece.

Outrebounding their opponents, Stark snared 58 to Warren's 16 with Mack grabbing 22, McGee 17, and Swank and Bryant 8 each.

The Cobras hit 40 of 89 for 45% and 12 of 23 from the charity stripe.

Also scoring for Stark were Terry Byers 17, Bryant 7, and Bill Thompson and Tim Trbovich with 4 each.

Cobras smash KSU Golden Flashes

KENT--Stark Branch's Cobra basketball varsity tuned-up for the state tournament by smashing the main KSU campus varsity second string 65-50 January 16.

This was the first meeting between a Branch team and the Golden Flashes. As a result, the Kent roundball mentors have quickly called for the Cobra roster, their grades and when each Branch player plans to move on main campus.

Stark Branch, with a record of 11-1, is the champion of Division III of the state branch basketball league and will play in the tournament February 6-8.

ROTC presents programs

Men who want to decide their future will be interested in a program here Monday at 2 p.m. in Room 212, according to William Mohler, student affairs counselor.

The presentation will be an explanation of the two-year Reserve Officers Training Course (ROTC) program available to Stark Branch students.

The presentation will be made by representatives of the Army and Air Force ROTC programs on the main campus.

Each representative will talk 15 minutes followed by a question and answer period.

The meeting is offered through the student affairs office because it is interested in informing students of their military obligations, according to Mohler.

According to Rev. William Casto, director of Interfaith Campus Ministry here, those students who plan to make careers of military service and those who plan to enlist will be the most interested in the program.

Casto has attended draft seminars and is available for draft counseling in his office on the first floor.

HOME COMING JANUARY 25

See Cobra basketball at Oakwood H.S. 8 p.m.

Semi-formal dance after the game at
St. George Rumanian Church 30th St. NW

Music by the Shantells
FREE ADMISSION
Stark Branch Student Government President David Seffens comments on his administration:

"ONE YEAR IS ENOUGH"

By Mike Ebert

Montage put the following questions to David Seffens, student government president, whose term of office ends in May:

Montage - How do you assess the accomplishments of the student senate this quarter?

Seffens - The senate has come a long way since its founding a year ago. But I don't think its accomplishments are a beacon to inspire people to greater heights. It still has a long way to go.

M. - What is the status of the 3.2 beer resolution?

S. - KSU President White wrote me a letter saying he will contact me before the month is out to discuss the matter.

M. - Why do so few students participate in student government here?

S. - Because most students are basically lazy. They rarely want to do anything extra which requires effort, like registering to vote in elections.

M. - What legislation would you like to see the senate pass in the future?

S. - This school's senate should deal with timely problems and I have no idea what problems might arise next quarter or next week.

The goal of the senate should be to increase its own efficiency and better serve the student body. Right now it is wasting too much time investigating procedural matters.

M. - What progress has been made on the new building?

S. - About 840 students have signed the petition we plan to take to Gov. Rhodes in support of another building. This again points out the laziness of students because everyone is eligible to sign it.

M. - What do you feel is the major contribution of your administration?

S. - When you say "your administration" you are not just referring to myself but to all branches of my administration. On these terms, the accomplishments are unprecedented in my opinion.

This administration leads all previous ones legislatively. The Student Activities Council has done a tremendous job. If you look at their programs a year ago and now, there is no comparison.

Vice-president Eaglowski has completely reorganized the senate. He's taken a body that was little more than jelly and put backbone into it. Certainly it does have a long way to go, but I would say that it is improving.

Finally, my cabinet members are doing a fantastic job.

M. - What has been most disappointing about your administration?

S. - I've lost a few friends over being president and the period of time I've been in office has not been the kindest. When I was elected president I felt that it was my function to establish the power of the presidency as it was meant to be established.

When you set up this type of administration, you sometimes hurt people you don't intend to hurt. Some feel neglected, others pushed.

I've not had the luxury of being able to be nice to people as a president should when he is in office.

Seffens plans on going to the main campus when his term ends in May. He expresses no desire to enter into student government there, but merely wants to rest for a while.

As he says, "One year in this job is enough for anybody."