Everyone at WYSU-FM is an integral part of our staff team, including the student employees. Each student brings valuable resources and talents as they contribute to the quality of service WYSU-FM is known for. We consider our students priceless assets, and value their hard work and commitment. Let us introduce you to our student office assistants.

“My name is Erik David Thompson. I am 21 years old, and have been a student and office assistant at YSU and WYSU for the last nearly three years. I enjoy working at WYSU because of the atmosphere. The staff are all cultured and well educated in their particular fields of expertise, which makes for a group of hard workers. I am a psychology major who recently made a switch from business administration. I enjoy and am very much involved with music (as it runs in my family), which is perfect since WYSU is a classical radio station that plays only the best of classical, jazz, and folk music. I guess it is safe to say that I fit right in. WYSU, along with the staff and all its members, are like a family, and I take pride in that.”

“Hi, my name is Marybeth Signoriello and I am a junior at YSU. My major is social work and I was just recently accepted into the social work program. Social work plays an important role in my life and I cannot wait to start my career! One of the advantages of being a social work student is that all my core classes are in Cushwa Hall and that is also where WYSU-FM is located. I guess you can say Cushwa has become a second home to me. I started working at WYSU in September of 2007. I am a student office assistant and I enjoy my job immensely. One of my favorite aspects of my job is the uniqueness of working at a radio station. I have been introduced to classical music and have found out that I enjoy it very much, along with the news programs. I am looking forward to working at WYSU up until the day I graduate! Overall, I really enjoy my job, co-workers, and the programs and music. I would suggest to anyone to tune into WYSU-FM and enjoy!”

Krystle Kimes works at WYSU-FM as a student board operator on the weekends and an office assistant during the week. She started at WYSU in August of 2008. She is a sophomore majoring in telecommunications studies with a minor in journalism and music performance at Youngstown State University. Krystle has been a member of the YSU Symphonic Band for the past two years, as well as a YSU majorette this past fall. She has also been involved in working on YSU’s student-run TV program, Homework Express. While doing extracurricular activities at YSU, Krystle has regularly been on the Dean’s List. In high school she held the principal clarinet chair, played in honors band, and received countless superior...
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American Public Media Cancels Weekend America

Several network and independent radio programs have become casualties of the economic downturn, but the only one affecting WYSU-FM at this time is Weekend America, produced and distributed by American Public Media (heard Saturdays at noon on WYSU, 88.5 FM). The program was carried on 134 stations with a weekly audience of about 657,000 listeners. Its final broadcast was January 31st.

WYSU-FM has found two exciting shows to replace Weekend America.

Airing at 1:00 pm Saturday is Hearing Voices, from NPR. This is a weekly one-hour program of contemporary and classic storytelling by established and emerging public radio producers, crafted together under a thematic umbrella for the hour—a collection of “driveway moments,” if you will. There is a different host each week.

Airing at 2:00 pm Saturday is Travel with Rick Steves, an hour-long talk show with travel experts, plus calls and questions from travelers. This weekly program provides a lively conversation between travelers and the experts as we learn to explore our world smartly, smoothly, and thoughtfully.

Only A Game moves to an earlier start time, Saturdays at noon, following Wait, Wait, Don’t Tell Me.

March 27 through April 3

We'd love to have you as a pledge drive volunteer!

WYSU 88.5 FM’s Spring Pledge Drive is just around the corner! Our pledge drive dates are Friday, March 27th through Friday, April 3rd, 2009 and we are looking for volunteers.

If you are interested in talking to our many listeners and supporters, helping process paperwork, and working alongside WYSU staff and students, please contact WYSU at 330-941-3363.

More information about volunteering is available at our website. Just go to www.wysu.org, click Support WYSU, and then Volunteer.

We promise you lots of fun and excitement, as well as delicious food and treats to eat! Help make this year's Spring Fund Drive a great success!
**THE WYSU SPRING PLEDGE DRIVE IS JUST**

**Around the Corner**

Spring is approaching...

and that means it will soon be time for the WYSU 88.5 FM SPRING PLEDGE DRIVE!

For a week in late March and early April, the studios of WYSU will be brimming with:

- Cheerful personalities discussing the value of public radio
- Dozens of wonderful volunteers pitching in to help the station
- Opportunities for listeners to win great prizes!

Most importantly, our week-long spring pledge drive is an opportunity for listeners to call in, provide valuable feedback, and pledge their financial support for their public radio station—WYSU!

Listener-supported WYSU will hold its annual spring pledge drive from **March 27th through April 3rd**. This spring’s drive’s overall fundraising goal remains at the same level of $100,000.

According to WYSU director Gary Sexton, WYSU’s biannual fund drives are critical to the station’s success. “We all know these are tough times. We hope our members agree with us about the value of our programming services in good times and bad, and can find a way to renew their membership. If you can’t renew this year at your regular level, renew at what ever amount works for you. A contribution to the station in any amount will still qualify you for full membership benefits this year,” added Sexton.

Everyone who pledges support to WYSU—either as a new member, a renewing member, or with an additional gift—between now and the end of the spring pledge drive, will be entered into a drawing to win a pair of tickets on one of Go Ahead Tours’ great travel itineraries. You can also simply call in your name to become eligible.

For more information about the grand prize for our spring drive, be sure to listen to WYSU, and to check our website www.wysu.org, between now and the drive.

Throughout the spring pledge drive, the station will also be offering daily prize packages that will again include new HD Radios.

Contributions to WYSU can be made by phone at 330-941-1481, or through a secure on-line server at www.wysu.org.

Remember, you don’t need to wait for the drive to be part of our success—**Consider pledging today!**

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**Special Discount Offer for WYSU Members**

Like you, Park Vista Retirement Community, the Mahoning Valley’s only Continuing Care Accredited organization, is a friend of WYSU and believes in supporting this wonderful asset to our community.

Because we appreciate the special relationship that we share, we are extending a special discount to WYSU members on our beautiful independent living apartments at Park Vista North. Qualified individuals will receive either a $2,500 discount when they choose the entrance fee option or $200 off their monthly rental for the first six months for the non-entrance fee option.*

For more information, fee schedules, or to schedule a tour, please contact Josie Polis or Diane Garthwaite at 330-746-2944.

*This offer is extended to individuals age 55+ who meet our residency criteria. May not be combined with any other promotional offer.
You have just found the best value in travel.

Hundredsof WYSU listeners have enjoyed seeing the world with friends, family and Go Ahead Tours. We’ve already been to Paris, Italy, Britain, Provence and the jewels of Alpine Europe. Our next trip will be a Journey through Spain. Go Ahead, be one of us!

Call Barbara Krauss at 330-941-3363 or visit www.wysu.org for more information and a free brochure.
goaheadtours.com • 800-438-7672

More Travel With WYSU!

WYSU will be hosting two overseas trips in 2009, traveling to Spain in May and China in October, and we’d love to have you along!

There are still some open spots for our 14-day tour of Spain, leaving May 14, in which we’ll spend time exploring Madrid, Valencia, Cordoba, Granada, and Barcelona—and a possible day trip to Morocco.

Then in October we head for Beijing, where you’ll visit Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City, and the great wall of China, among other attractions. A flight to Hangzhou, an evening dinner cruise on the picturesque West Lake, and several evenings in Shanghai are just some of the highlights.

The tour will be hosted by Dr. George McCloud, vice president for University Advancement at YSU, whose many trips to China over the years will certainly add another dimension of interest and information throughout. This tour is strictly limited to 30 participants, so it’s important to act quickly if you’d like to join us.

Detailed brochures are available for either Spain or China by phoning 330-941-3363 or by e-mailing Barbara Krauss, at krauss@wysu.org.

Make 2009 a year to remember with some unforgettable and exciting travel experiences, in company with your travel partners at WYSU-FM!

The NEED TO KNOW Card

Are you taking advantage of all of the benefits that come along with being a member of WYSU? With our recently updated Need To Know Card (formerly the Classic Card) you are entitled to receive discounts from a great group of area retailers.

We’re very pleased to welcome some great new local businesses, including The Butler Institute of American Art, the Youngstown Business Journal, the Flaming Ice Cube, the Oakland Center for the Arts, Opera Western Reserve, the Pittsburgh Symphomy at the Scottish Rite Cathedral in New Castle, Sue Sexton Massage Therapy, and the Youngstown Historical Center of Industry and Labor, also known as the Steel Museum.

Complete details of the discounts and programs offered by all the Need To Know Card vendors are listed on the WYSU website, www.wysu.org.
Now’s the Time
with Martin Berger
Saturday, 11:00 pm

3/7 Hank Crawford and David Newman. Recently deceased soul-jazz saxophonists.

3/14 Swing Bands. Some of the less prosperous but formidable groups, including Jay McShann and the Harlan Leonard Rockets.

3/21 Ralph Lalama. Major-league, assertive tenor saxophonist, a 1970s Dana graduate; warm-up for his Youngstown appearance on the 24th.

3/28 Fund-Raising Miscellany.

4/4 Swing to Bop. Modern jazz emerges in the ’40s.

4/11 Johnny Hodges. An alto saxophone sound of unsurpassed beauty, with Ellington and in other contexts.

4/18 Ellington. Beyond category.

4/25 Eddie Condon…and the Chicago-style hot jazz revival.

Folk Festival
with Charles Darling
Sunday, 8:00 pm

3/1 Preservers of the Folk Tradition. Folk music as collected by F. J. Child, John and Alan Lomax, Carl Sandberg, Moses Asch, and Paul Clayton.

3/8 Folk Sampler, Part C. The 100th program in the series features a wide variety of the folk juices of North America.

3/15 An Irish Celebration. Liam O’Flynn, Lunasa, County Mayo, James Keane, and more in a salute to St. Patrick’s Day.

3/22 Pre-Fund Drive Sampler. A reminder to listen next week when Charles Darling will be in the studio LIVE awaiting your call. Features Kate Wolf, Arlo Guthrie, Peggy Seeger, Bob Dylan, and Steeleye Span.

3/29 Spring Fund Drive. Charles Darling asking all Folk Festival listeners to call in while he’s in the studio—live! Phone 330-941-1481 to show your support for folk music on WYSU. Make a generous pledge and at the same time request a singer from 1920-1980.

4/5: Contemporary Folk, Part XLIV. The New Landers, Mike Stout, Acoustic Blender, Paul Zunno, and tributes to Pete Seeger at age 89.

4/12: Great Female Folk Singers. The best! Wolf, Odetta, Collins, Baez, Prior, Denny, Ritchie, Seeger, Matheson.

4/19: Railroading with Steam. Musical train trips aboard Pacifics, Mikes, Berkshires, Challengers, and 0-8-0 switchers in the age of steam.


NPR World of Opera
Monday, 8:00 pm

3/2 Bizet: The Pearl Fishers. Montreal Opera; Frederic Chaslin, conductor. No less a critic than Hector Berlioz described The Pearl Fishers, Bizet’s “other” opera, as “beautiful and expressive…filled with fire and rich coloring.”

3/9 Beethoven: Fidelio. Hungarian State Opera Orchestra and Chorus; Adam Fischer, conductor. Beethoven spent as much time on his only opera as some composers did on a whole portfolio of operas—and it shows. Fidelio is one of opera’s greatest stories of salvation, both literal and spiritual.

3/16 Wagner: Das Rheingold. Washington National Opera Orchestra and Chorus; Heinz Fricke, conductor. Das Rheingold gets Wagner’s monumental Ring cycle off to a rousing start, in a fast-paced drama set in a colorful world of vivid characters and world-shaping passions.

3/23 Cherubini: Medea. Teatro Regio, Turin; Evelino Pido, conductor. This classic from the late-18th century presents a tale that would, sadly, be right at home in one of the many modern day docudramas about grisly crimes in dysfunctional families—with a title character who is surely among the most notorious mothers of all time, real or fictional.

3/30 Verdi: Stiffelio. Vienna State Opera Orchestra and Chorus; Nicola Luisotti, conductor. A stirring drama depicting adultery among the pious, this 1850 opera got off to a rough start—in large part because 19th century censors found the story intolerable. Still, there are many who feel that Stiffelio belongs in the same league as the three Verdi operas that followed it—Rigoletto, Il trovatore and La traviata.

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Reach out to WYSU’s unique audience through program underwriting—an economical and effective way to convey your message and express your support for a first-class community resource.

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