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THIRD FRONTIER VITAL TO YSU

Josh Stipanovich
NEWS EDITOR

If renewed on the May 4 ballot, the Ohio Third Frontier would enhance students' chances of jobs after graduation, and it would help improve upon and identify how an urban research university should function.

"[The Third Frontier] is so important to our university communities because one of the major purposes of the Third Frontier is to take university-generated research and help bring that research to a place of commercialization, which will lead to economic development and job creation," said Gov. Ted Strickland during a conference call.

Since Youngstown State University has been designated an urban research university by Ohio Board of Regents Chancellor Eric Fingerhut and the Ohio Strategic Plan, defining what that means has been a long, difficult process, but Fingerhut said the Ohio Third Frontier's renewal would play a vital role in better understanding what this means.

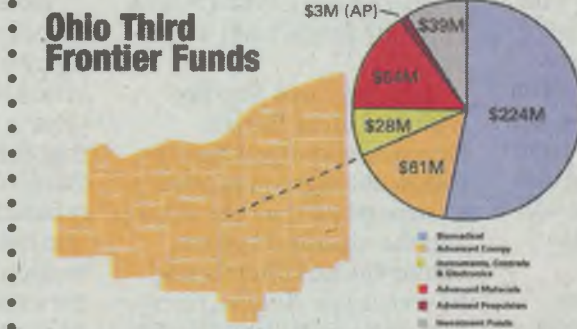
"[The Third Frontier renewal] is incredibly important to Youngstown State," Fingerhut said. "We are aggressively working with President Sweet and the leadership at Youngstown State and the board of trustees to identify those areas in which YSU can be a significant player in the development of new businesses and innovations in the Youngstown area and the Mahoning Valley."

Fingerhut added that a renewal would "be a major source of funding in those efforts."



Gov. Ted Strickland views a small cooling component during a tour of the Catacel Corporation - Garrettsville, Ohio.

Ohio Third Frontier Funds



The Ohio Third Frontier, which began in 2003 under former Gov. Bob Taft, is divided into six sectors across the state, and its mission is to develop and advance Ohio's technology by assembling research programs, cultivating starter businesses and advocating technology development.

In 2009, the sector including Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana counties, received \$61 million in advanced energy, \$224 million in biomedical imaging, \$28 million in instruments, controls

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University announces featured speakers for spring commencement

Juliana Hull
NEWS REPORTER

Featured speakers for Youngstown State University's spring commencement are U.S. Rep. Tim Ryan; Connie Schultz, columnist for Cleveland's Plain Dealer; and YSU student Jenifer Edwards from the Bitonte College of Health and Human Services. The speakers were chosen by YSU Provost Ikram Khawaja and approved by the YSU Board of Trustees.

Ryan is serving his fourth term in the U.S. House of Representatives. According to his official Web site, Ryan's "primary focus is on the economy and quality of life of his Northeast Ohio congressional district." Before being elected to Congress, Ryan served as a state senator and president of the Trumbull County Young Democrats. He resides in Niles.

Schultz is a syndicated columnist and is married to U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown. In 2005, Schultz won a Pulitzer Prize for commentary, beating out reporter Nicholas Kristof from The New York Times. On July 13, she made an appearance on the CBS Late Show with Craig Ferguson. Schultz has written a memoir about her experiences with her husband on the campaign trail titled "His Lovely Wife: A Memoir of the Woman Beside the Man," which was released in 2007.

Edwards is a nontraditional student who is completing her bachelor's degree in Social Work in less than three and a half years. She has maintained a 4.0 GPA. Edwards is a cancer survivor, which ties into her speech theme of *carpe diem*, or "seize the day."

Edwards is the president and co-founder of YSU's chapter of the National Alliance for Mental Illness. She is on the YSU Student Conduct Board and Student Government Elections Board. From 2007 to 2008, she was part of the YSU Emerging Leadership Program, and has volunteered with Ohio Rehabilitation Services and the Church Youth Group of New Middletown, among other organizations.

"I think they chose me because I got a lot of awards for my work with diversity," Edwards said.

YSU alumnus donates funds to new Williamson construction

Krystle Kimes
REPORTER

The Williamson College of Business Administration's state-of-the-art facility has received a \$200,000 gift for construction made by Don Constantini, chief executive officer and founder of Falcon Transport and Comprehensive Logistics. Constantini was a 1966 Business Administration graduate of Youngstown State University and said the building has a lot to offer, according to the Office of Marketing and Communications' news release.

"First, it benefits the university, making YSU more competitive among peer institutions. Second, the building provides students a state of the art academic environment. Third, the new building will help support our local business community through increased

partnerships and opportunities," Constantini said.

The gift to the business school is part of the Kresge Challenge. The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Mich., committed a \$1.2 million change grant in December 2008. This made YSU raise \$2.4 million to meet the challenge and it has received \$2.1 million. Constantini's gift leaves \$299,000 remaining to meet the challenge of the campaign.

Other gifts of leadership Constantini has given to YSU have been a \$150,000 endowment to the YSU Foundation for an athletic scholarship and \$150,000 toward the construction of the Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center. The Williamson College of Business Administration awarded him the "Outstanding Business Alumnus" in 2005.

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Anderson chosen as first Last Lecture series speaker

Andrea DeMart
REPORTER

The Youngstown State University Student Government Association has decided to try something new this year. The Academic Affairs Committee is bringing the Last Lecture series to YSU.

Made famous by the speech given by Randy Pausch, professor at Carnegie Mellon University, the "last lecture" is centered around the idea of what information one would leave behind to students if you had only one lecture left to give.

The lecture given by Pausch is what inspired Joni Koneval, chairwoman for the SGA Academic Affairs Committee, to propose the idea to other committee members in hopes that YSU can become a part of what so many other universities have been doing for years.

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Dining Services seeking more late-night options

Krystle Kimes
REPORTER

Of the 13,837 students registered for spring classes at Youngstown State University, 7,864 are taking at least one class that begins at 4 p.m. Starting at 4 p.m., though, a majority of on-campus food services close for the evening.

Dining Services, managed by Sodexo Campus Services, decides how long campus eateries should be open. Tom Totterdale, general manager of Dining Services, explains how the time frames of food services are managed.

"A lot of the places starting out have an extended period of time and then depending on how the sales go is how we decide the hours," Totterdale said. "We have different locations open different times depending on foot traffic."

There aren't enough students buying food at night to keep sales up and businesses open, such as Cafe a la Cart, Jazzman's Cafe or the Bagel Stop.

"We would try to have a night shift from 4 o'clock until 8 o'clock. The problem is that we see a lot of what we sell in those locations is the same you can get at the vending machine," Totterdale said.

Totterdale said Christman Dining Commons is open until midnight and the Kilcawley Center Food Court is open until 7 p.m., except on Wednesdays when Pete's Place is open later to give students and faculty another dining option. Christman serves about 400 people for dinner, while another 300 come through later in the evening for a meal. Another 100 dine later in the night.

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"The only problem is we would stay open until five ... but we can't pay labor if there aren't sales."

-Antone's owner, Ross Shauna

Young Americans for Liberty co-host Tea Party in Warren

Joe Giesy
REPORTER

The Young Americans for Liberty of Youngstown State University co-hosted a Tea Party event with the Trumbull County Campaign for Life at Courthouse Square in Warren on Saturday.

The event provided a forum for many different people to speak out on their grievances with the government. Speakers at the event ranged from those campaigning for political office to citizens voicing their personal opinions.

Past Tea Party events across the nation have protested against taxes, stimulus packages, bailouts,

TEA PARTY PAGE 4



ABOVE: Several residents showed up to Courthouse Square in Warren to participate in a Tea Party.



LEFT: President of the Young Americans for Liberty of YSU Varg Freeborn protested issues facing the nation.

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Peace Corps information session

The Peace Corps is hosting an information session on Wednesday at 6 p.m. in room 2068 in Kilcawley Center. For more information, call Christina Hardy, coordinator, at 330-941-3514.

Radio station offers chance to see Elton John

Rookery Radio, YSU's student Internet radio station, will be selling raffle tickets for a chance to win Elton John tickets for his concert at the Covelli Center. The station will have a table set up in Kilcawley Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5.

Pittsburgh professor to lecture on mental health

The Psychology department at YSU will host Dr. Mary Phillips of the University of Pittsburgh on April 19 at 2 p.m. in the Ohio Room. Phillips will be lecturing on the role of brain imaging in the diagnosis and treatment of depression and bipolar disorders. The forum is open to the public.

POLICE BRIEFS

Student passes out after passing note

On Thursday, after passing a note to a friend, a student passed out during class in Beeghly Hall. She had two short seizures, but refused medical treatment. Her mother arrived and said she didn't want her daughter taken to the hospital.

Students quarrel over borrowed clothes

On Thursday, two officers responded to an altercation at Kilcawley House. In all, a flat iron, shoes, cell phone and a couple fists were thrown at a student over a matter involving the victim's claims that another student borrowed some of her clothes.

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Acting leader of Nigeria tries to reassure skeptics

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WASHINGTON The acting president of Nigeria pledged Monday that his fractious, oil-rich nation will hold clean elections next year as he sought to ease concerns about a leadership crisis in his African nation.

The Nigerian leader, Goodluck Jonathan, also told an audience at the Council on Foreign Relations that a program to rehabilitate militants whose attacks have crippled oil production in the Niger Delta region was making progress, despite many skeptics.

"The issue of young men who have taken arms to fight the system ... it's not something you can say you can even complete in the four years of this administration," Jonathan said. "But I can assure you that we will set up a solid base and have a clear focus and a program with timelines that you will see that we are progressing."

Jonathan, who was in Washington for an international summit on nuclear security, is running Nigeria while the health of President Umaru Yar'Adua remains a closely kept secret. Yar'Adua, who hasn't made a public appearance in several months, reportedly is stricken by a debilitating heart condition that's required multiple hospitalizations.

Yar'Adua's extended

absence had raised fears of a constitutional crisis in Africa's most populous nation and the United States' fifth-largest supplier of crude oil. Since Jonathan, the vice president, took the reins in February, however, he's made a series of bold moves that suggest he won't be simply a caretaker, including appointing a new Cabinet.

Despite its staggering oil wealth, Nigeria, the bulwark of West Africa, is beset by an array of problems. Epidemic corruption, frequent outbreaks of Christian-Muslim tensions and a particularly messy 2007 election have badly eroded confidence in the government, domestically and internationally. Nuhu Ribadu, a former anti-corruption czar, has estimated that Nigerian officials stole or wasted some \$440 billion in public funds from 1960 to 1999.

Jonathan met Sunday with President Barack Obama, who urged him to follow through on promises to strengthen the rule of law and the electoral system, White House officials said. In a visit last August, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton chided Nigerian officials for leadership failures.

"In every society it is difficult to say you can eradicate corruption," Jonathan said. "But we will set up the machinery to make sure we continue to reduce it."

Yet it isn't clear that Jonathan, a former environmental official who holds a doctorate in zoology, has enough time or

political support to make real reforms. Nigeria is due to hold elections next year, and under the ruling party's unofficial rotation system the post is supposed to go to a candidate from the country's predominantly Muslim north. (Jonathan is a Christian from the south.) Jonathan expressed confidence that Nigerian election officials can conduct a clean and transparent election despite allegations of widespread fraud and ballot-rigging in the 2007 vote, which brought Yar'Adua to office.

The government has been more interested in promoting its amnesty plan for militants in the Niger Delta, where analysts say oil production has climbed back to about 2 million barrels per day after having fallen to a 20-year low last year.

However, bomb blasts last month in the southern oil city of Warri, which killed at least one person, were a sign that some think that the government hasn't fulfilled its pledges to rehabilitate former militants and help them find jobs. The tensions could escalate as the country moves toward primary elections later this year, experts said.

"Because the primaries are coming up, this tends to create instability and insecurity," said Elizabeth Donnelly, Africa program manager at Chatham House, a British research center. "The bombings in Warri ... that was the militants saying, 'We're still here; we still have the capacity to cause trouble.'"

SGA votes to support state Issue 1

Andrea DeMart
REPORTER

The Youngstown State University Student Government Association held its legislative assembly on Monday.

All committees recapped projects that they are working on. The University Affairs Committee emphasized the need for volunteers at the Wick Pollock cleanup. The event will be held on April 25, and food and beverages will be supplied.

The Student Life Committee plans to host a table at the May Day event and hold events students can participate in. Also, students can meet some SGA representatives.

SGA voted to support State Issue 1, which helps preserve jobs and the quality of life for Ohio residents. Also approved was the monetary gift to Rookery Radio, the new Internet radio station on campus. The money will help the station afford initial start-up costs.

Raffle tickets will be sold through Thursday to benefit the American Red Cross and the Functional Literacy Ministry of Haiti. The banquet was canceled due to administrative complications. SGA encourages students to help with this relief effort.



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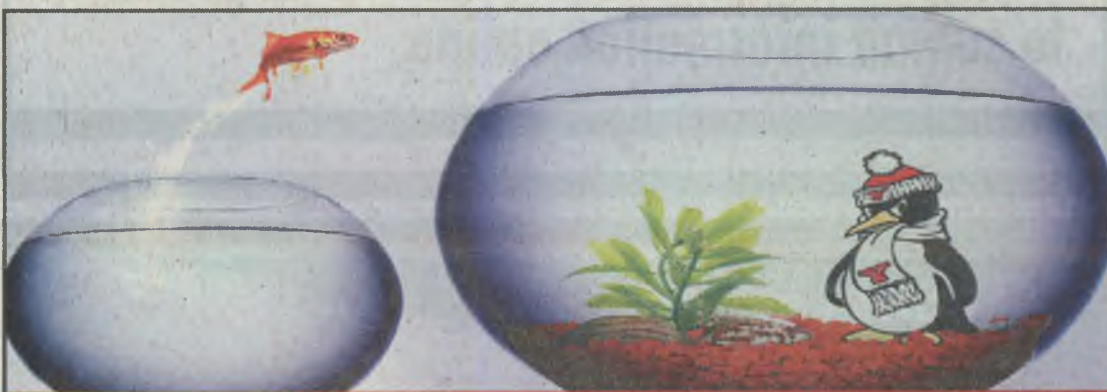
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FRONTIER PAGE 1

and electronics, \$64 million in advanced materials, \$3 million in advanced propulsion and \$39 million in investment funds totaling \$419 million.

Since the Third Frontier's induction, more than \$500 million has been invested in higher education, and 55,000 jobs and 637 companies were created. In 2004, it had a venture capital investment of \$243 million, and in 2008, it saw an increase of \$203 million and a total state investment of \$681 million, according to the Third Frontier 2009 Annual Report.

Strickland said one program of the Third Frontier that would relate to students is its internship program. According to the Third Frontier 2009 Annual Report, 3,000 Ohio students were bestowed with internships with approximately 700 companies in 88 percent of its counties.

"I believe this program is a vital program in helping us try to achieve that goal of retrieving students and the brainpower that the student population represents," Strickland said.

But one issue Strickland and the Ohio Department of Development have had to deal with is finding a way to increase Ohio's total employment rate since the economy of the sectors within the

Third Frontier has been growing at a faster rate than Ohio's economy as a whole.

According to the Third Frontier 2009 Annual Report, Ohio's total employment growth from 2004-2008 was minus 0.75 percent, and the employment growth within the Third Frontier sectors has surpassed that amount on an average of 41 percent.

"While these are still a relevantly small percentage of the overall employment in Ohio, these are the fastest growing sectors of Ohio's economy, so we're investing in the fastest growing sectors, which are becoming a larger and larger percentage and will eventually become a larger part of Ohio's economy," Fingerhut said.

Director of the Ohio Department of Development Lisa Pat-McDaniel said one sector that is seeing a large increase in economic development is biomedical imaging, which has grown 86.7 percent.

"Overall, will the growth be a one-to-one replacement? Not in the immediate future, but certainly in the long-term future, these jobs are going to become a bigger and bigger part of Ohio's economy," McDaniel said.

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Dining Services seeks to extend meal plans for students to use at outside vendors like Taco Bell or McDonald's, and is also looking into putting some type of food service in DeBartolo Hall.

Another option for evening dinners would be Winslow's Cafe by Antone's. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are sold in the Italian-based restaurant. Antone's owner Ross Shauna said the restaurant doesn't stay open past 4 p.m. because business declines after 2 p.m.

"The only problem is we would stay open until five and try to stay open in the evening, but we can't pay labor if there aren't sales," Shauna said.

Still, Shauna anticipated that the facility would do well in the Butler Institute of

American Art.

"We decided to go there because it's a beautiful facility with the Butler and captures three audiences, downtown, on campus and others," Shauna said. "If we had a lot of people request to stay open, we would try it."

Winslow's Cafe by Antone's manager Jeff Miller said that "around lunch, people come flocking in, [but] after two or three, it dies off."

The Beat Coffeehouse on Lincoln Avenue deals with this same problem. The coffeehouse used to be open until 9 p.m. and later until 6 p.m. However, in 2006, the owners cut the hours to 2 and 3 p.m.

One owner, Karen Bosworth, said the coffeehouse experiences a dead period that closes a lot of places so early.

WILLIAMSON PAGE 1

Constantini began his career with General Motors Corporation and joined the Mc-Nicholas Transportation Co. in 1969, where he was then promoted to president in 1974. Constantini founded Compass Transportation and purchased a trucking company in Akron, which today is known as Falcon Transport.

He founded another company, Comprehensive Logistics, which he made the sister company.

Comprehensive Logistics is a third-party supplier to the GM Lordstown Complex. Falcon Comprehensive Logistics earned five GM Supplier of the Year Awards, four Chrysler Gold Pentastar Awards, and the Ford Motor Company Service Award. Falcon and Comprehensive Logistics employ 2,000 people, 650 of those

employees locally.

Constantini was recognized as "Fraternity Man of the Year" his senior year for keeping the highest GPA among undergraduates who were in a fraternity. He has been a great supporter of YSU athletics for more than 20 years by holding a loge in Stambaugh Stadium.

The new Williamson College of Business Administration between Rayen Avenue and Wood Street, is a \$34.3 million, 106,000 square-foot facility that will feature a 200 seat auditorium, four-room conference center, a cafe, classrooms, computer labs, a financial services lab, a professional sales/communications lab and more. The building is twice the size of the Lincoln Avenue building and is scheduled to open in the fall.

LECTURE PAGE 1

"[The series] is something we could do that would be fun and easily accomplished," explained Koneval. "It's powerful, academically related. You get more than just an algebraic equation. You learn life lessons."

Choosing the candidate to speak at the inaugural lecture was not easy, Koneval said. The committee had compiled a list of possible candidates, but none as compelling as President-elect Cynthia Anderson.

"We did not choose her because she is going to be next president," Koneval said. "She is a fabulous professor and advocate for students on campus."

No committee member knows the actual lecture that will be given, but Koneval hopes that students learn from the speech.

"We hope that students walk away with an understanding of Anderson's field of interest in academics and walk away with life lessons they otherwise may not have

known," Koneval said. "Essentially, they are supposed to be answering 'What life lessons would you impart?' I hope people come away with at least something they didn't think about before on how to live their lives."

The series, officially titled "Words to Live By: A Last Lecture Series," is slated to be held once per semester. Although the Academic Affairs Committee does have a list of people they are considering for the next series, they are open to requests from those interested in presenting.

"[The series is] open to faculty members and administrators. Anyone from professors in Theater to professors in Political Science," Koneval said. "Any main figure on campus. Doesn't need to be someone in the classroom."

The first "Words to Live By: A Last Lecture Series" featuring Anderson will be held April 13 at 3 p.m. in the Ohio Room of Kilcawley Center. The lecture is free and open to the public.

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the growing deficit and health care reform. Saturday's crowd kept this going with myriad speeches and by passing out tea bags, distributing fliers and holding up signs with phrases like "End the Fed" and "Born Free, Taxed to Death."

"We have a situation for my generation and younger," said Varg Freeborn, president of the YSU Young Americans for Liberty, during his turn to speak. "We are inheriting a country that is broke, that is corrupt, that is enslaved. And we are not happy about this."

Some of the speakers were Judge Colleen Mary O'Toole; Sandra O'Brien who is campaigning for Ohio secretary of state; Jim Graham, who is hoping to run against Rep. Tim Ryan for the U.S. House of Representatives in the 17th District; and ex-U.S. Rep. Jim Traficant.

Traficant began his speech by saying, "You're looking at the man who will abolish the 16th Amendment."

The 16th Amendment gives the Congress power to "lay and collect taxes on incomes ... without apportionment among the several states, and without regard to any census or enumeration."

Traficant talked on various topics including what he referred to as the "Traficant

plan," a strategy to abolish various taxes including inheritance and death taxes, corporate taxes and investment taxes.

"Everybody's views may be a bit different, but we have to band together," said YSU political science major Anthony Latour.

Latour said he has been a major advocate for the First Amendment and constitutional rights ever since he was expelled from school at 14 years old for songs he posted to the Internet. He helped Freeborn bring the Young Americans for Liberty to YSU and is the group's vice president.

John Metzinger said he plans to join YSU's Young Americans for Liberty next year.

"We need to get the word out," he said. "Get people in who are for the people."

Danilo Comichista said he joined the Young Americans for Liberty because he wants to defend liberty in the United States.

These young men were not alone in their views on Saturday. No matter what topics were spoken about during this Tea Party event, each speech had the same underlying theme: liberty and returning power back to the American people.



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See? We're right.

OK, so that is obviously not the entire editorial. But how much can really be said beyond that? The Jambar should not have to argue too assertively that this program should be renewed, must be renewed and, assuming the bulk of voters have brains floating in their heads possessing even a modicum of common sense, the program will be renewed.

\$419 million in investments for one year is nothing to sneeze at, especially here in the Mahoning Valley. Nobody has taken notice of this region of the state, country, globe or galaxy in many years, except to focus on crime and corruption — and the occasional football hero.

Finally, even if it's only within the state lines for now, people are paying attention to our little nook. Assuming that so many of these programs coming through the Third Frontier are successful in the foreseeable future, students at Youngstown State University have a reason to think about Youngstown as more than just the site of their wild college days.

There may be reasons to think of this place as so many citizens have thought of it throughout the years: a home. Where there is industry, there is an economy. Where there is an economy, there is a society. Where there is a society, there is culture. Where there is culture there is a reason for people to come or to remain.

Maybe it's only for the tech-y types right now. But the economics and arts are not far behind that technology. No, we're not Paris, London, Rome or even New York. But one day, maybe they'll recognize that they are not Youngstown, Ohio, and actually be a little bit jealous.

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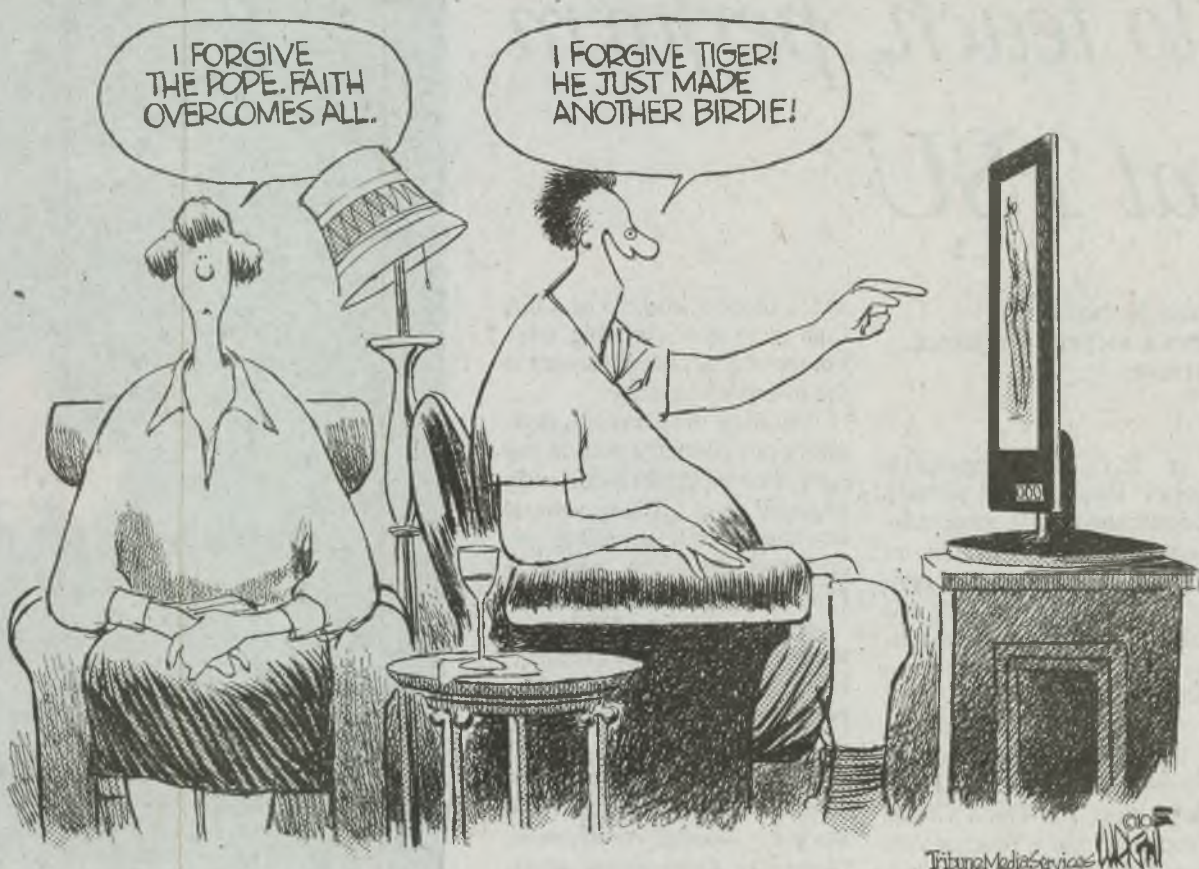
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Congress told us that the new health care reform would give coverage to millions of people currently uninsured, increase the efficiency of our health care system, bring costs down and save us money. Exactly where does this story become believable?

I am amazed at the amount of misplaced trust given to Congress concerning budgetary projections and program promises. The financial geniuses in Washington seem to have an impenetrable aura of goodness around them, and no matter how wrong they repeatedly are, folks will continue to believe them.

This health care reform will be yet another example of this in years to come. Congress has completely discredited itself in terms of budgetary projections and controlling costs. No one seemed to think that it was worth mentioning that Congress projected the cost of Medicare to be at \$12 billion by

1990, only to see the actual cost climb above \$98 billion by the projected year. In 2005, the Congressional Budget Office told us that Medicare will cost \$1.5 trillion in 2050. Two years later, in 2007, that same CBO tells us that Medicare will reach \$2.8 trillion in 2050. And in 2009, it projected the cost would be at \$3 trillion instead. Let's not forget that this is the same Congress that told us the Iraq War would cost \$50 to \$60 billion, yet the real cost has climbed to \$700 billion and counting. I guess a \$650 billion cost overrun isn't that big of a deal. Washington is going to tell us that this major health care overhaul is going to cost \$1 trillion over a decade and save us money, yet they cannot even accurately project the cost of building a parking lot.

The Kennedy Center parking lot was begun in 1998 with Congress' projected budget of \$28 million. By 2003, the parking lot had reached a cost of \$88 million,

according to government sources. There is even irony in timing of the health care reform; this is the very same year that Social Security will, for the first time, take in less money than it pays out. The deficit rings in at the tune of \$29 billion.

This is an example of government accounting at work, efficiently running social programs into the ground. The list of Congress' cost overruns and inefficiencies goes on and on. Why anyone would rationally believe a word coming from our Congress concerning projected costs and promises of efficiency is beyond me. Perhaps health care just appealed to the emotional desires of Americans, and to their compassionate nature inclined to not let others suffer. Whatever the case, if we weren't officially bankrupt as a nation before, we certainly will be now.

Varg Freeborn
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What baseball team are you rooting for this season?



"I guess the Indians. Might go to a couple games."

Alex Baker, freshman



"Root for the Pirates, I'm from Pittsburgh."

Christa Peifer, senior

FCC must quickly reclaim authority over broadband

McClatchy-Tribune
MCT

The Federal Communications Commission must move swiftly to reclaim its authority after Tuesday's court ruling that it doesn't have the power to punish Comcast — or any other carrier — for limiting access to the Internet.

This may not be as difficult as some suggest. The District of Columbia Circuit Court of Appeals ruling said the FCC did not have jurisdiction over broadband services, which it had claimed under Title I of the Communications Act. But the agency could reclassify broadband under a different section of the law, Title II, which is used to regulate telephone companies. That would probably be challenged as well, but experts say it's more likely to hold up in court.

Commissioner Michael Copps is advocating this approach: The FCC should "rely on the statute Congress gave us to stand on solid legal ground in safeguarding the benefits of the Internet for American consumers. We should straighten this broadband classification mess out before the first day of summer."

The sooner the better. Tuesday's ruling shot holes through net neutrality — the premise that all sites and content should be equally available to consumers regardless of who provides their Internet service. Without these rules, a provider like Comcast, which is acquiring NBC, could block or charge more to get content from ABC or CBS, for example. It could cut off sites that host ads for competitors. It could bar TiVo devices from connecting to its network.

Wired magazine's tech blog

points to a particularly disturbing scenario: "A broadband company could, for instance, ink a deal with Microsoft to transfer all attempts to reach Google.com to Bing.com." The user would have almost no recourse.

Fear of public outrage might prevent a carrier from doing these kinds of things — or not. Even with regulations in place, carriers were taking small steps to limit access. The case decided this week, after all, stemmed from Comcast's decision to shut down access to a peer-to-peer file-sharing site.

Net neutrality isn't important just to consumers. Businesses big and small, in Silicon Valley and around the nation, need unrestricted access to the Internet. Without it, technological innovation and business growth will be stifled.

The San Jose Mercury News' Chris O'Brien captured this risk perfectly in a column Wednesday about the Sunnyvale firm 8x8, which provides telecommunications services over the Internet. "If AT&T or Comcast decided to block us, we would cease to exist," CEO Bryan Martin told O'Brien.

The ruling also jeopardizes parts of the FCC's National Broadband Policy, including proposals to significantly expand broadband access. Ironically, the new policy would benefit many of the companies that oppose net neutrality regulation, saying they should be allowed to control the traffic on their networks.

Congress could address this gaping hole in the nation's regulatory structure, but its glacial pace makes that untenable. The FCC will have to do it. And given the signal importance of net neutrality and the broadband plan to consumers and businesses, it must act now.

Young Virtuoso to teach, perform at YSU

Lamar Salter
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT
EDITOR

At 22, classical guitarist Gabriel Bianco has already accomplished what some musicians still dream of. At an age where an average person is writing notes, practicing and taking tests, Bianco is teaching, touring and performing among the masses.

Now, as the 2008 winner of the Guitar Federation of America's international guitar competition, the Dana Guitar Association at Youngstown State University is continuing its tradition of inviting the winners as guests to offer advice and perform by hosting the virtuoso guitarist today.

Born in France, Bianco's musical growth began early at the age of 5.

In a brief conversation via e-mail, Bianco, who was preparing to teach a class before flying out to YSU, talked about his youthful inspiration.

"I was born in a family of musicians, my father is [a] classical guitarist and my mother is [a] violinist," he said.

Bianco started his studies in Paris in 1997 and quickly became a noticeable talent. Winning the GFA competition was just one of the many accomplishments Bianco has achieved. But the young virtuoso said his biggest achievement was just doing what he loves.

"I think I am very lucky to have found something that I could really do professionally and that I loved at a young

age," Bianco said. "The GFA first prize is a very big step, but the real accomplishment is the everyday practice."

Winning the GFA has definitely put Bianco's foot in the door. The guitarist is currently engaged in a GFA-sponsored worldwide tour traveling everywhere from his home in France to the U.S.

Bianco will spend today listening, advising and even eating lunch with students before performing in the evening.

Guitar professor Francois Fowler said the inclusive exposure would provide students needed motivation. "Learning from guest artists gets students really pumped," Fowler said. "[Bianco] is a fantastic teacher with tremendous talent."

While preparing for his lesson, freshman and guitarist Chris Vorbach talked about his anticipation for Bianco.

"I'll probably have my mind blown," Vorbach said with a laugh.

When asked if Bianco's age, about a year older than he is, would intimidate him, Vorbach quickly refuted.

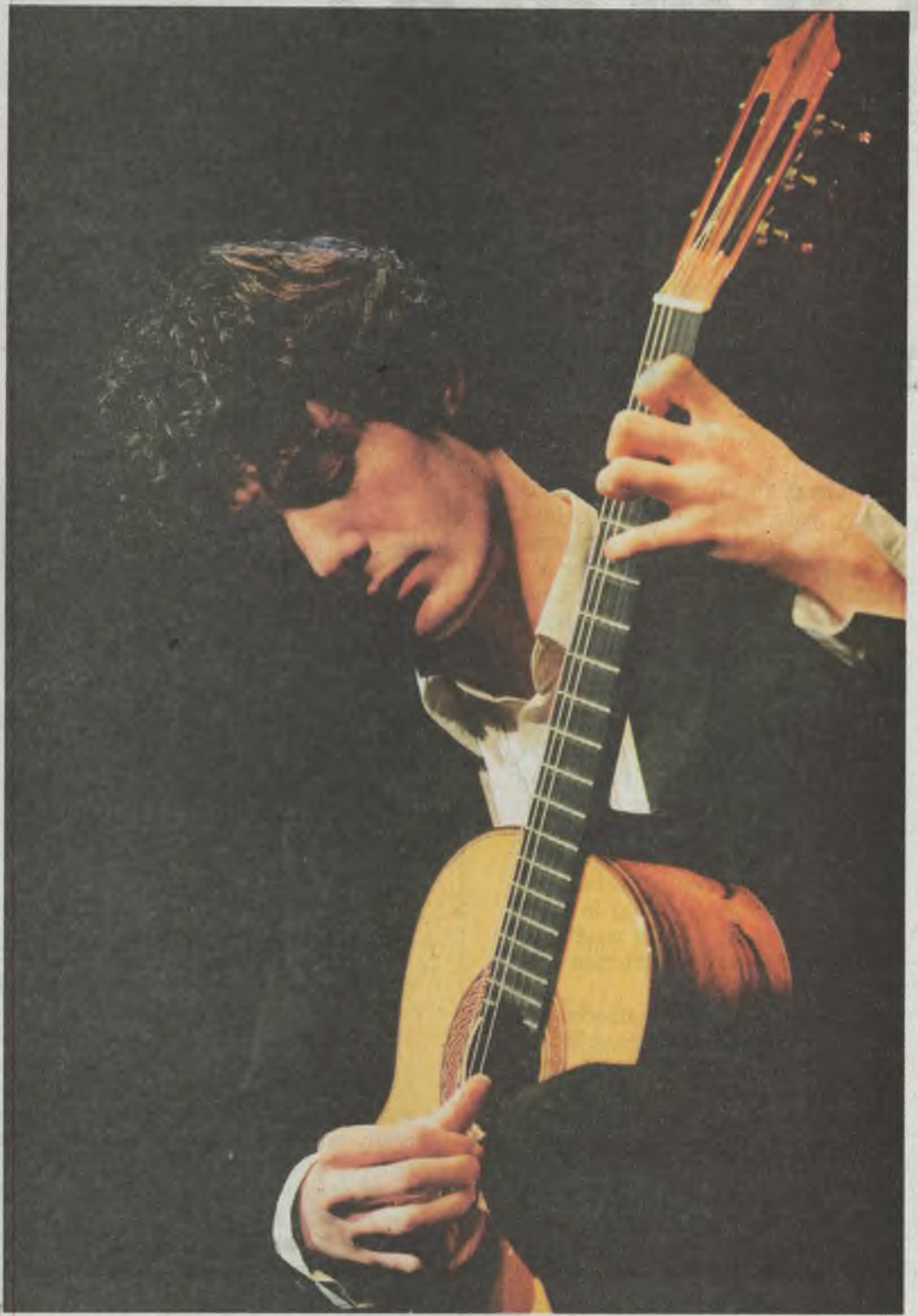
"I mean, he's a virtuoso," Vorbach said. "Age does not really have anything to do with it."

Bianco said teaching was something he truly enjoys.

"It's an honor. I really try to do my best to help the student," Bianco said. I have proved by my background that despite my age I have opinions that I want to express."

As for his future plans, Bianco was incredibly simple and straightforward.

"Play, play and play."



Gabriel Bianco is set to perform tonight at 8 pm in the bliss recital hall. Image courtesy of The Guitar Federation of America

"I think I am very lucky to have found something that I could really do professionally and that I loved at a young age,"

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Art forum encourages Youngstown to lighten up

Gary S. Angelo
FEATURES EDITOR

Michael Noll, founder of the satirical group Offend Youngstown, is creating a battle cry against the city's corruption and crime, along with a following that pokes fun of Youngstown's seriousness. Offend Youngstown is an opposing spin-off of another group, Defend Youngtown.

"Youngstown has offended all of us many times with its corruption, out-of-control crime and horrible economy. It's time to offend back," Noll said.

On March 22, Offend Youngstown hosted its first forum discussion at the Lemon Grove Cafe in downtown

Youngstown.

"We had very clever and funny political campaign-styled signs at our Offend Youngstown meeting at the popular Lemon Grove," Noll said.

To Noll, Youngstown needs to let go of the past and must learn to admit its problems in order to prepare for a better future.

"This town needs a good enema. You can't solve problems until you admit you have them," he said.

Offend Youngstown has 543 members who are eager and creative activists. Noll said the group is comprised of talented and devoted people with hilarious Photoshopped images and a lot of free time.

"What better way to focus on the problems that need to be solved than to Photoshop

penises onto the Youngstown skyline?" Noll asked.

Noll sees Offend Youngstown as becoming pivotal to the community. It's an excellent outlet for locals to pitch their gripes, have fun and just let off some excessive steam.

"Our mission is to offend Youngstown. It's just a bit of fun, so people really shouldn't complain about it," he said.

Jacob Harver, owner of the Lemon Grove Cafe, said Offend Youngstown plays an interesting role in the community.

"Offend Youngstown represents the idea of 'Let's not take ourselves too seriously,'" Harver said. "Offend Youngstown is a satirical group as well as a performance piece. I believe in what [Noll] is doing."



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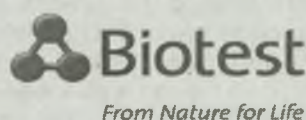
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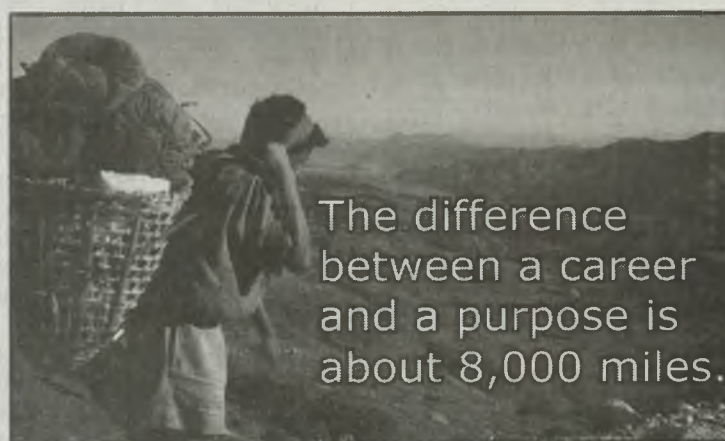
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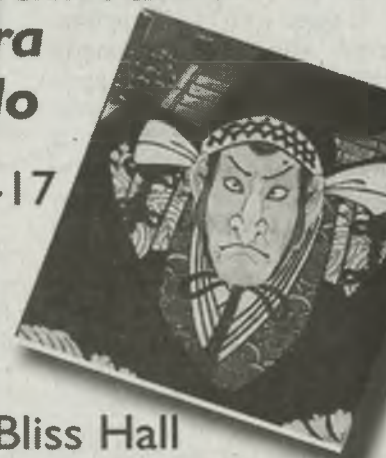
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COMMENTARY

New Tiger shouldn't kick old golf habits

Keith Langford Jr.
SPORTS EDITOR

The hype surrounding Tiger Woods' return to golf has ended as he finished 11 under par and tied for fourth place in the 2010 Masters.

He finished five strokes behind winner Phil Mickelson, who won his third green jacket amidst his wife and mother regressing from cancer.

In defeat, Tiger was not shy about assessing his return. He was not pleased with his effort, even though he finished tied for fourth place. He added even after the long layoff he doesn't see a fourth place finish as fulfilling. He wanted to win the tournament. This man has lofty expectations.

You could see the smoke coming from his ears during his post-match interview with Peter Kostis of CBS Sports. Some say Tiger was a spoiled brat in the way he handled losing. If you expected a promotion from your job and didn't get it, would you be pleased? Tiger was honest with his assessment of his performance, what's so wrong about that? He wanted to win and he didn't. Point blank.

Tiger vowed to the media he would tone down his cursing on the course. Through two rounds, he did so. Then came Saturday's third round.

Tiger dropped a couple expletives during his third round on Saturday on the sixth hole. Anyone who has ever played golf has hit a bad shot. Some people curse after a bad shot, some don't. The only difference between the weekend hacker and when Tiger does it is millions of people hear it. Tiger may have vowed he was going to curb his negative emotions, but he broke his promise. Is that the worst thing in the world? I think not.

In Tiger's final round on Sunday, he showed signs of a man who was rusty. He ducked his first drive of the day into another fairway and promptly made bogey. He didn't have his A or B game at all on Sunday but still shot 69. He had five bogeys on his card but still managed to make two eagles and four birdies in the round.

Try and play your local municipal course and bring your "C" game. Most of us wouldn't break 100. Tiger brought his "C" game to Augusta National, arguably one of the most challenging courses, and finished every round under par on the week.

I agree with his disappointment with his four rounds. He's Tiger Woods. He expects himself to win every tournament he plays in regardless if he's out of the game for five months. This is the same guy who won the British Open in 2006 after his dad died a couple of months before and won the 2008 United States Open on a Nabisco Shredded Wheat knee. Who was to think he couldn't win the Masters?

I am tired of everyone's expectations of the "new" Tiger. Tone down your negative emotions, act humble in defeat ... who are we to tell him what he should do? Sure, his personal life is in disarray, but what was so wrong about the old Tiger in golf terms? You know, the guy that has absolutely dominated the sport of golf since his 1997 Masters win. The guy who has won 14 majors and 71 PGA tournaments.

I can't wait for that guy to resurface, whenever he decides to tee it up again.

GOLF

No sophomore slump for Formeck

Chelsea Miller
SPORTS REPORTER

"Look like a pro, act like a pro, play like a pro" are the words sophomore Samantha Formeck said she follows to a tee. Formeck, a golfer at Youngstown State University, is taking her positive attitude and hard-working nature to the golf course, and the strides she has been making are paying off.

Formeck was recently named Horizon League Player of the Week for the third time this season during the week of March 24-30. Formeck received the honor after placing third out of 33 golfers in the Marshall Spring Invitational in Hurricane, W.Va.

Formeck also leads the conference in stroke average this spring, and missed medalist honors by just four strokes during YSU's last match up. She said that receiving the honor of Horizon League Player of the Week was an accomplishment for her.

"It was definitely an honor. Just to do it once was an honor, but to do it three out of four times is more of an honor," Formeck said. "But I couldn't do it without the rest of the team."

Formeck said she first became interested in golf when following her father and brother around on the golf course. Both are avid golfers, and Formeck eventually picked up on the game from them.

Formeck credits her mother and father to being her role models and said without their support, none of her goals would have been accomplished.

Coach Roseann Schwartz said she is pleased with Formeck's performance this season and that her focus is what helped her to become successful in her golf career. "Samantha's average overall is the best we've had ... in 15 years. She has good scores," Schwartz said. "She's very focused and she doesn't pay attention to anything except her golfing."

Formeck's accomplishments are nothing new, however. As a freshman, Formeck played in all 20 rounds and nine events. She was named Horizon League



Sophomore Samantha Formeck tries to knock home a putt. Three times this spring, Formeck has been named Horizon League Golfer of the Week.

Player of the Year and Horizon League Newcomer of the Year and was also selected for All-Tournament Team and the All-Horizon League Team.

Formeck's future goals include attending pharmacy school after graduation, but

for now, she is just focusing on her golf.

"I'd like to win conference as a team this year so we can go on to Regionals. Other than that, for the next two years I'm going to keep doing what I'm doing," she said.

YSU track and field impressive at Sea Ray Relays

Keith Langford Jr.
SPORTS EDITOR

The Youngstown State University men's and women's track and field teams claimed 10 spots in top-10 finishes at the Sea Ray Relays in Knoxville, Tenn.

"All of those athletes made it a historical weekend. I'm extremely proud how everyone stepped up for YSU this weekend," Gorby said.

Even though no Penguin won an event, the Penguins had several athletes finish in second place.

Sophomore Kiplangat Tisia finished second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 9:17.05. Senior Lauren Blase also finished second in a distance event for the Penguins with a second place showing in the 3,000 meters. She ran a personal-best time of 10:02.80 in the event.

The most impressive performance for the Penguins came from senior Alisha Anthony.

Anthony finished in the top five in two different events: the long jump and triple jump. She broke her previous long jump mark of 5.85 meters that she set earlier this season at the Raleigh Relays by 0.17 meters with a new school record jump of 6.02 meters. She finished third in the long jump and fourth in the triple jump with a jump of 12.10 meters.

"In the past 20 years, we haven't done anything like we did this past weekend. You know your program's going in the right direction when you have depth and quality like that," Gorby said.

Other Penguins who had top ten results at the Sea Ray Relays were senior Aaron Merrill, junior Bryin Ehrhardt, freshman Katherine Digby, freshman Samantha Hamilton and junior Kayla Whitmer.

Merrill finished third in the shot put with a throw of 17.57m. Merrill's performance places him in the top 25 of all shot put throwers in the country. His fellow field teammate Ehrhardt finished with a personal-best time of 2.05m in the high jump, which was good enough for fourth place.

Digby and Hamilton both competed in the 3,000m steeplechase. Hamilton finished seventh with a time of 11:40.88 while Digby finished right behind her in eighth, with a time of 12:03.79. Hamilton also finished in the top ten in the 1,500m steeplechase with a seventh place finish and a time of 4:44.94. Whitmer finished ninth in the 10,000m with a time of 38:23.09.

"We are always looking at getting better and using this as confidence ... we are looking for this to catapult us for the next three weeks," Gorby said.

The Horizon League Outdoor Championships are less than three weeks away.

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