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YSU UNVEILS CAMPUS HEALTH, WELLNESS MAP

Student-athletes set school GPA record

Jordan Uhl
REPORTER

Student-athletes at Youngstown State University have collectively amassed a 3.05 cumulative grade point average, setting a university record.

In the spring, 23 student-athletes earned a 4.0 GPA, while 176 achieved at least a 3.0.

The seven athletes who maintained a cumulative 4.0 GPA through the spring semester are senior Stephen Blose, football; senior Jodi Bowlen, soccer; freshman Craig Goubeaux, baseball; sophomore Kelsey Kempton, soccer; freshman Kaitlyn Rohrs, basketball; sophomore Vicky Rumph, softball; and sophomore Michael Turner, golf.

Staying focused on classes while keeping up with the rigors of collegiate athletics can be stressful, but this group uses a busy schedule to their advantage.

"[Athletics] really pushes

me to do well in school because it gives me a specific time that I can set away for homework," Rumph said. "If I didn't have sports pressing me for time, I might keep pushing studying time back. It's just a matter of me knowing my timetable and working efficiently."

Bowlen, a criminal justice major, admits she occasionally struggles.

"There are times on bus rides to and from games when all I want to do is sleep, but I have to remind myself of all the work I have already done and how it would be a shame to let my grades slip now," Bowlen said. "I just constantly had to remind myself of how great it would feel in the end to graduate with a good grade point average, and to be able to say I did it while also competing in a college sport makes it even better."

Coaches also make sure their players perform well both on and off the field.

Men's baseball head coach Rich Pasquale credits the Academic Center, which is re-

sponsible for assisting student-athletes.

Rohrs, who is majoring in marketing, said the previous women's basketball coaching staff would do grade checks, and even went so far as to check with professors on student-athletes' class attendance.

"We also have study tables for those that need it and all freshmen to keep our grades up," said Turner, an accounting major.

Study tables are common throughout the athletic programs, but their use varies.

"My coach, this year, kept us focused by enforcing mandatory study table hours to all players regardless of grade and grade point average," Bowlen said.

Professors also understand the unique situations student-athletes deal with.

Goubeaux, an industrial engineering major, regularly visits his professor during office hours, and said he believes

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ROHRS



TURNER



KEMPTON



GOUBEAUX



RUMPH

Seven student-athletes have maintained a cumulative 4.0 GPA, which has contributed to the school GPA record of 3.05.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION



Alexis Begezda, a sophomore at Youngstown State University, sits on a bed in one of the Flats. Begezda is due to move in when the housing project is complete in early July.

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Flats at Wick on schedule, set to open this fall

Robert Merz
REPORTER

Youngstown State University's latest student housing project, the Flats at Wick, is due to open this fall, right on schedule.

The project, headed by Dominic Marchionda of US Campus Communities, will offer students a 113-bed, state-of-the-art facility.

The Flats at Wick is the first privately owned project of its kind on the YSU campus.

Property manager Jessica Vivo said that the Flats are much needed. More than 15,000 students are anticipated to enroll at YSU this fall. Nearly 1,500 of those students will be housed in the University Courtyard Apartments and on campus in the university's five residence halls.

"It's pretty much just cosmetic now. Move-in date is July 1," Vivo said. "We are looking to do an open house probably some time in August."

The complex, about 350 yards from campus, offers one-, two-, three- and four-bedroom suites. Each suite is fully furnished and complete with its own attached bath. All utilities are included in the

monthly rental rates.

The list of amenities includes study rooms, a computer room, a conference room, a fitness center, a recreation center with pool tables, on-site laundry, cable TV, wireless Internet and modern security surveillance.

"The whole building is completely secure from the outside," Vivo said. "No one is able to enter unless they have the actual keycard to get in."

Additional security will include a closed-circuit monitoring system for each floor, "panic buttons" in each individual bedroom and fire systems, which are linked to the local fire department.

The main office is anticipated to be open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday. In addition, two resident assistants will be on site.

Marchionda could not be reached for comment, but it is likely the Flats will not be the last project of its kind on campus.

"We are planning to expand. We are planning to do more units in the future," Vivo said.

Interested students may contact Vivo directly or view information online at <http://www.flatsatwick.com>. The website includes floor plans and an online application. Units are being leased on a first-come, first-served basis.

Presidential shift spurs administrative changes

Kaely Hawkins
REPORTER

As Cynthia Anderson prepares to move into the president's office at Youngstown State University, several changes will take place in the administration offices.

Tom Maraffa, special assistant to the president, and George McCloud, vice president for university advancement, will transition from university administration to the classroom. Shannon Tirone, director of alumni relations, will become the assistant to Anderson.

Maraffa will return to the geography department, which he said he "never really left." He tried to stay involved with the department as much as possible while serving alongside the president, even teaching a class each term.

McCloud will also return to teaching in the communication department.

"I'm looking forward to it," McCloud said, adding that his goal in the transition is "to be the best professor to my students and the best colleague I can be for my fellow faculty members."

McCloud spoke optimistically about the change.

"I believe I can make the transition," he said, mentioning that the professionalism of Cary Horvath, communication department chairwoman, and Bryan DePoy, dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts, has made the adjustment easier.

Maraffa and McCloud had positive things to say about their time in office with Sweet.

"I was honored and proud to be a part of the successes that occurred under Dr. Sweet's time in office," Maraffa said.

McCloud added that he had "rarely worked with someone who has such a strategic way of thinking."

"His thinking has served the university very well," McCloud said, adding that he wishes Anderson and her administration "every possible success."

"Their success is our success," he said.

Tirone has been with the university for almost her entire career.

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CLARIFICATION

A mistake in the publication process resulted in punctuation errors on page four of the June 10 edition. For the correct stories with proper punctuation, refer to <http://www.the-jambar.com>.

Dan Pompili
NEWS EDITOR

Former Youngstown State University football player Joe Marshall was sentenced on June 4 after previously being found guilty of misdemeanor assault

and unlawful restraint.

Marshall was fined \$100 per charge plus \$70 in court fees. In the end, he paid \$340.

On May 11, Judge Elizabeth Kobly of Mahoning County Municipal Court found Marshall guilty after he pleaded no contest to both charges.

Marshall was charged after

YSU police officers responded to a May 1 call at Lyden House, where several students witnessed Marshall assaulting a female resident.

He was released from the YSU football team shortly thereafter and withdrew from classes at YSU. Marshall is a resident of Clearwater, Fla.

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McDonough exhibit features women artists

On Saturday, "YWCA of Youngstown 28th Women Artists: A Celebration!" opens at the McDonough Museum of Art, located on the campus of YSU. The exhibit affords the opportunity for local and national female artists to gain recognition for their work and offers support and encouragement to artists in the community. Works in various mediums will be showcased, including painting, drawing, photography, sculpture and metalwork. A preview party is scheduled for 7-9 p.m. on Saturday; the event will include live music, wine, punch and hors d'oeuvres. The exhibit runs through July 23. The museum is open to the public, and admission is free.

Freshman Outdoor Recreation Experience set for summer

New students entering YSU will have the opportunity to participate in the Freshman Outdoor Recreation Experience this summer. FORE is designed to assist new YSU students with the transition to college life. This year, the program is offering a campus one-day experience on July 13 (\$25), a campus lock-in on July 30 and 31 (\$50) and a camping trip on Aug. 13 and 14 (\$65). For more information, contact Michael Bowman at 330-941-1964 or Joy Polkabra Byers at 330-941-2242. View the FORE brochure at <http://www.ysu.edu/reccenter>.

POLICE BRIEFS

Officers discover man with existing warrants, pistol

On June 10, YSU police officers responded to a call in reference to loud music coming from an apartment on Ohio Avenue. After entering the apartment, the officers found a man sitting on his bed. The officers discovered that the man had existing warrants for drug trafficking and domestic abuse. When the officers searched the apartment, they found an unloaded semi-automatic pistol under the mattress.

Moser maintenance reports missing tools

On Monday, the YSU Police Department received a report of missing tools from the maintenance office of Moser Hall. According to the report, the tools had been used and returned on June 7; they were discovered missing the next day. No sign of forced entry was seen on site.

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these visits help him maintain his grades.

"I don't feel like I get any real benefit or extra help because I'm a student-athlete, and that's not the way it should be," Goubeaux said. "All it takes is a little communication with your professors a few days in advance of when you will be missing class and what they want you to do with assignments that need to be turned in or exams that need to be taken."

Kempton, who is majoring in exercise science, agreed with Goubeaux's assessment.

"Most professors are very understanding and are usually willing to work with you when you are having trouble in class but usually expect you to still get all your work done on time, which is fair," Kempton said.

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"I fought tooth and nail to get back on this campus," Tirone said.

Tirone works with alumni, faculty, staff and the community; this aspect of her job will not change when she transitions into a member of the president's administration.

"A little bit of the focus will change," Tirone said.

Tirone said she is looking forward to working with Anderson, primarily because of her student-centered goals.

"Dr. Anderson is wearing many hats right now," Tirone said. "She walks into it knowing she's going to be putting in a lot of long hours. There's a lot of challenges ahead."

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Jambar has been unable to reach Anderson for comment after numerous attempts.

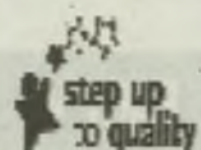


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It takes many positives to offset one negative.

This week, we lauded several student-athletes who have done it all right ... perfect, in some cases. We ran last week with two Penguin baseball players drafted to the major leagues, and the week before that, a Penguin who won conference player of the year honors.

We also ran an update of one athlete who got it wrong. There's your negative.

While the athletic department has suffered some turmoil in the past year, the news seems to be offsetting that bad karma.

Somewhere in the past, Youngstown State University athletics engaged in the equivalent of helping a little old lady across the street. Apparently, the good vibes are coming back around.

The more Penguin student-athletes who set the standard, the more difficult it becomes for others to violate that standard.

Making a bad decision will not only bring athletes criticism for the act itself, but they will look worse in comparison to their compatriots who make the right decisions.

Peer pressure works both ways, and it doesn't always work directly.

You don't need your peers telling you what to do and telling you it's right because everyone else is doing it. You only need to look at what others are doing and decide for yourself.

The other good news is that the peer pressure works in favor of the numerous success stories. When one athlete does the wrong thing, it helps the group when its success far outweighs the bad press.

The more Penguin student-athletes keep getting it right, the less we have to worry about those who don't. Those who have been a part of something bigger than them know that pride and discipline come with the territory.

Athletes who wear the red and white with distinction do an excellent job of icing the occasional black eye.



The views of this syndicated artist do not necessarily agree with those of The Jambar.

The right DNA for Berkeley?

McClatchey-Tribune
MCT

Today we know more about ourselves and one another than we'd imagined or even wanted to just 15 years ago. DNA tests can divulge which diseases we might be prone to and which famous figures we really aren't related to, except maybe Adam and Eve. Facebook reveals the rest.

Teenagers and young adults accept this probed and public life with more equanimity than their elders. So although some ethicists are shuddering at a plan by UC Berkeley to encourage its freshmen to bond via DNA analysis, the incoming students are probably thanking the academic gods for this break from the traditional togetherness exercise — reading a common book.

Berkeley's plan is to mail DNA testing kits this summer to its incoming students, who, if they choose to participate, would swab the insides of their cheeks and send the

kits back to be tested. The samples would then be analyzed for gene variations that affect reactions to alcohol, lactose and folic acid. Students could obtain their individual results on a website; group results would form part of the school's orientation program, revolving around the subject of personal health and medicine — information that teenagers who are newly out from under from their parents' watchful eyes could certainly use.

Despite the objections of bioethics experts, we doubt Berkeley students will feel coerced into giving up their cheek cells, just as many of last year's freshmen surely never felt compelled to peruse "The Omnivore's Dilemma," the chosen reading selection. Critics also point out that Walgreens recently decided not to sell genetic kits over concerns that customers might receive troubling results they wouldn't know how to interpret — but the retailer had been looking to market kits that tested for genes linked to serious medical ailments. It's obvious that teenagers shouldn't be confronted

with potentially shocking information, such as a genetic propensity to Alzheimer's disease or a distant kinship to Attila the Hun.

Berkeley has taken extraordinary precautions. It chose useful but relatively innocuous genes to test for. It has reassured students that opting out is as valid a decision as sending in a swab, and has gone to great lengths to make sure that results are anonymous; students gain access to their results via unique bar codes, not through their student IDs, and there is no possibility that professors will know who participated. The samples will be destroyed after testing.

Nor does the ethicists' slippery-slope argument hold up. Like it or not, people must cope with the era of sometimes uncomfortable information. That includes learning to put reasonable safeguards in place and learning which information is worthwhile in context, the limits of genetic testing and how to respond to new data. Not all the lessons of college take place in the classroom.

A perilous path for tea party and GOP?

The Philadelphia Inquirer
MCT

As summer kicks campaign season into high gear, tea party victories in key Republican primaries are bringing new focus on the candidates' shared fury at the federal government and outlandish stances in areas including Social Security, the federal income tax, and the Americans With Disabilities Act.

But these views may be the tip of the iceberg, as some House and Senate candidates in Idaho, Ohio, and Utah are openly calling for the repeal of the nearly 100-year-old 17th Amendment, which guarantees the direct election of U.S. senators. The argument is that senators have become too beholden to special interests, necessitating the need for state legislatures to again choose senators as they did before the amendment was ratified in 1913.

On its face, the suggestion seems absurd, both because of the immense difficulty of amending the Constitution and because depriving Americans of the ability to elect their congressional representation would cut back at the very individual freedoms the tea party purportedly exists to support. More broadly, this push illustrates a lack of political pragmatism and a fundamental misunderstanding of national institutions within the tea party that hinder the GOP's greater electoral ambitions.

Change via constitutional amendment is not practical. Since the Bill of Rights was ratified in 1791, the cumbersome process of passing an amendment with two-thirds of both the House and Senate and then obtaining the support of three-fourths of the states has been achieved only 17 times, 15 if

one doesn't count the passage and repeal of Prohibition — ironically the only time in history that a constitutional amendment has been explicitly repealed.

Yet, even if there were an energetic national drive to return the selection of senators back to the states, passage would be impossible for reasons of pure state political self-interest. The Senate guards the prerogatives of the states that have less representation in the House, ensuring that senators from smaller states have good reason to protect the status quo. Under the Constitution, a well-populated state like Florida has 25 House members, while a sparsely populated one like Vermont has only one; but in the Senate, all states are equal with two members each.

Over the last 100 years — and even before that — senators from small states have been able to wield influence disproportionate to the size of their constituency by exploiting Congress' seniority system. For example, since 2000, senators from Alaska, Hawaii, Mississippi, Montana, New Mexico, and Utah have chaired the most powerful committees, thus controlling the disbursement of billions to their states and dictating the national agenda.

This matters in any discussion about the 17th Amendment because many of the smallest states also happen to be staunchly Republican. Were the amendment to be repealed and the Senate to be reselected from scratch, the seniority of the small-state delegations have carefully built up would be erased, hurting the clout of the Midwestern, Southern, and Western states where the tea party movements are strongest. This would be particularly damaging given the inherent advantages Democrats have with the proportional representation

structure in the House, where solid blue states like California, Illinois, and New York hold sway.

Of course, many conservatives would contend that the congressional spoils system should be abolished, but the dispersal of power via seniority is itself rigidly ingrained and perhaps even harder to topple.

Furthermore, there's good reason to believe that repeal would actually backfire on Republicans, as state legislatures have long been predominantly Democratic. Were state governments to begin picking senators again, Democrats would likely enjoy a perpetual majority in Washington. Indeed, currently, with Republicans unilaterally holding just eight state legislatures, a U.S. Senate appointed under pre-1913 law would be made up of well over 60 Democrats — a wider disparity than that in the current Congress.

Ultimately, a system where senators were elevated by a few dozen lawmakers instead of by millions of voters would do more to make federal leaders beholden to special interests and not less.

In November, Democrats are expected to endure deep losses as unease with the economy remains pointed. But Republicans, too, will face a major test of strength, as scores of nominees endorsed by the tea party will be on ballots across the nation. Even though most are not campaigning on opposition to the 17th Amendment, they are running on many ideas that sit outside the mainstream of public acceptance.

The Republican Party cannot sustain itself by allying with wacky policy proposals, especially ones that would, if implemented, actively undermine the GOP. That is a recipe for long-term political disaster.

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Get down with the Deutschmarks



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D.C. band to rock out debut downtown

Alicia Patillo
REPORTER

Making their Youngstown debut, Washington D.C.-based band Deutschmarks will play downtown at the Lemon Grove Cafe on Friday.

The three-man band consisting of lead singer and guitarist Chris Dewitt, drummer Dan Newhouser and bassist Tim George make up the upbeat, energetic tunes of Deutschmarks.

Although many in the area may be unfamiliar with the

band's music, Dewitt said he and the other two members of the group are excited about the show.

"The folks over at the Lemon Grove have been very nice to us, and we're excited to play for some fresh ears," Dewitt said.

In five months, Deutschmarks has played in several hot spots throughout the Midwest. Dewitt said the band members are a "pretty collaborative group."

"Economically it's just the three of us, and we do a lot of work," Dewitt said.

First-grade teacher Dewitt

finds time to write the majority of the group's songs inside the classroom.

"Most of the songs I wrote when the kids [went] out for recess. I play a lot of my music for the kids," Dewitt said.

Dewitt credited his musical inspirations to the sounds of public radio, bands like LCD Soundsystem and his musical family tree.

"I began taking piano lessons from an early age," Dewitt said.

Just as the band is excited to play at the Lemon Grove, Lemon Grove owner Jacob Harver and booking promoter

D.J. Pokrivnak seem to agree the feeling is mutual.

"It's important to have bands from out of state make contacts and connections with other bands," Pokrivnak said. "It keeps the scene fresh, and everyone benefits from it."

While Harver hopes to bring a "larger vision" by supporting other bands, he said it's "about creating a local sustainable culture and economy."

With the support of Harver and Pokrivnak, locals are willing to hear new tunes in Youngstown.

Matt Fion, a regular at the

Lemon Grove, enjoys most acts that bring unknown music to the area.

"I love music, and I like different types of music, so it's exciting for me every time. I'm eager to see what they have," Fion said.

FeFe Clarkson is open to any and every genre of music.

"Music is emotions, expressions and spirits. Everyone is different, and I think that's why music is so innovative and different, and I love it. I love diversity and I'm open to anything," Clarkson said.

YSU unveils campus health, wellness map

Alaina Cardon
REPORTER

Youngstown State University recently instituted the new YSU Health and Wellness Map, which includes walking trails and 10 designated health and wellness locations, designed to educate students and staff about campus services.

The services provided at these locations include counseling assistance in the Beeghly College of Education, free health care for YSU students in Kilcawley House, full dental scans at the Dental Hygiene Clinic in the Bitonte College of Health and Human Services and a variety of other free or low-cost services.

YSU student and music

major Carrie Davis said she had not been aware of these free services available on campus.

"Now that I know that my tuition money is being used in ways that will help me out, I'm actually happier to pay that bill. I'm glad the university is stepping up in ways that benefit their students, and I definitely plan on utilizing these great options," Davis said.

Some students said they're excited about the opportunity to get some exercise on campus outside of the Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center.

"It's summer time. There is no reason to be indoors when cardio can be done outside right here on campus,"

said Jon DiBiasse, a business administration major. "I like the fact that the three trails are pre-measured, so I know how much exercise I'm getting without tracking the routes myself."

Mandi Campana, coordinator of fitness and wellness programs at the Rec Center, said this is not the only program available to the student body.

"In the department of campus recreation and student programming, we try to offer a variety of programs each year," Campana said.

These services include group exercise classes, educational health table talks, fitness clinics, free fitness assessments and free nutrition counseling.

Summer in the city

Simuben Wantatah
REPORTER

Once finals week has passed, the campus of Youngstown State University looks like a ghost town. When the normal academic year has ended, the vast majority of students also leave campus. Signs are everywhere, including nearly vacant parking lots, dorms and classrooms. Even those attending summer classes notice the lack of people on campus. What is worse is the insufficient amount of social events.

Max Davis, a graduate student at The Ohio State University, is taking a summer class at YSU. Like many summer students, Davis does not feel the need to hang out on campus after class. He also contends that students leave campus because they want to go back to the familiarity of home.

"I would say campus is dead because most students go home during the summer and hang out in their hometowns [like Canfield and Liberty]," Davis said.

Like Davis, Cynthia Ackpadock, a student double-majoring in psychology and sociology, is also taking summer classes. She believes that YSU should "have live music concerts on campus to attract more people in the summer."

The Summer Festival of the Arts is a friendly multicultural event that takes place July 10

and 11. The festival hosts local and regional arts in the Youngstown area. It promotes ethnic and cultural diversity with different types of art for sale at the festival. The festival's website, <http://www.yzu.edu/sfa>, states that the festival "makes available opportunities for positive interaction between patrons and the community."

The Festival of Nations, a section of the festival, focuses more closely on celebrating the variety of ethnicities in the Mahoning Valley. Located between Maag Library, Ward Beecher Hall and the Butler Institute of American Art, each participating organization presents its heritage to the public through different types of foods, performances and memorabilia.

Students who cannot stand to stay on campus and feel the need to cool off from the summer's heat, head to the local YMCA.

The Youngstown Central chapter of the YMCA, located on 17 N. Champion St., offers a public pool facility. Children from infants to the age of 14 pay \$5, while those 14 and older pay \$8. The YMCA hosts a wide array of swimming classes for both adults and youths.

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