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Penguins Look to Rebound

'King of the River Rats'

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Tony Avery gripped a can of Milwaukee's Best in his left hand and a once-lit cigarillo in the other. The wind sweeping in from the Mahoning River brushed up through the trees, putting out the ember as Avery spoke.

Leaves buried the train tracks behind Youngstown Pipe & Supply, leaving only the rails visible. A short distance from the Marshall Street Bridge, Avery motioned with his right arm toward a brick fixture in the woods.

Three sides of fence encompassed the brick structure. Black, charred wood, ground-work and slats were scattered across the site. Clothes, blankets, bottles and cans long ago littered showed signs of erosion.

Avery stood on the incline leading to the river, gazing at the remains.

"I didn't even get my chimney finished yet," he said.

Avery walked to the river, lighting his cigarillo.

Three years ago, Avery's home on the river burned to the ground. After \$12,000 and countless hours of work, an unclean chimney led to an unexpected fire; the makeshift home Avery built was gone.

"I put a lot of work in this place," he said.

Avery's home stood three stories tall, with a loft on the top floor that could fit four



PHOTO BY BILLY LUDT/THE JAMBAR.

Tony Avery visits what remains of his home on the Mahoning River. The cabin burned to the ground three years ago and has been reclaimed by squatters.

people. He housed other homeless people in the area, claiming to have taken care of 200 of them.

"I'm the king of the river rats," Avery exclaimed.

Avery's home became a place for festivities among family, friends and anyone

else willing to join. He recalled people riding in on off-road vehicles and joining in on the fun.

"Man, there'd be 20 people here," he said. "We'd be partying — there'd be gazebos, big circus tents."

During the winter, Avery

would string Christmas lights among the branches of overhanging trees. When the snow fell, Avery and his cabin-mates would light a fire and continue to drink.

"Nobody could believe how the f--k I was living," he said. "I said, 'What do you

mean, man? This is how you live!'"

Splitting the current in the river is an island — a formation of halted driftwood, earth and skyscraping trees.

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DIFFRACTOMETERS ARRIVE AT YSU

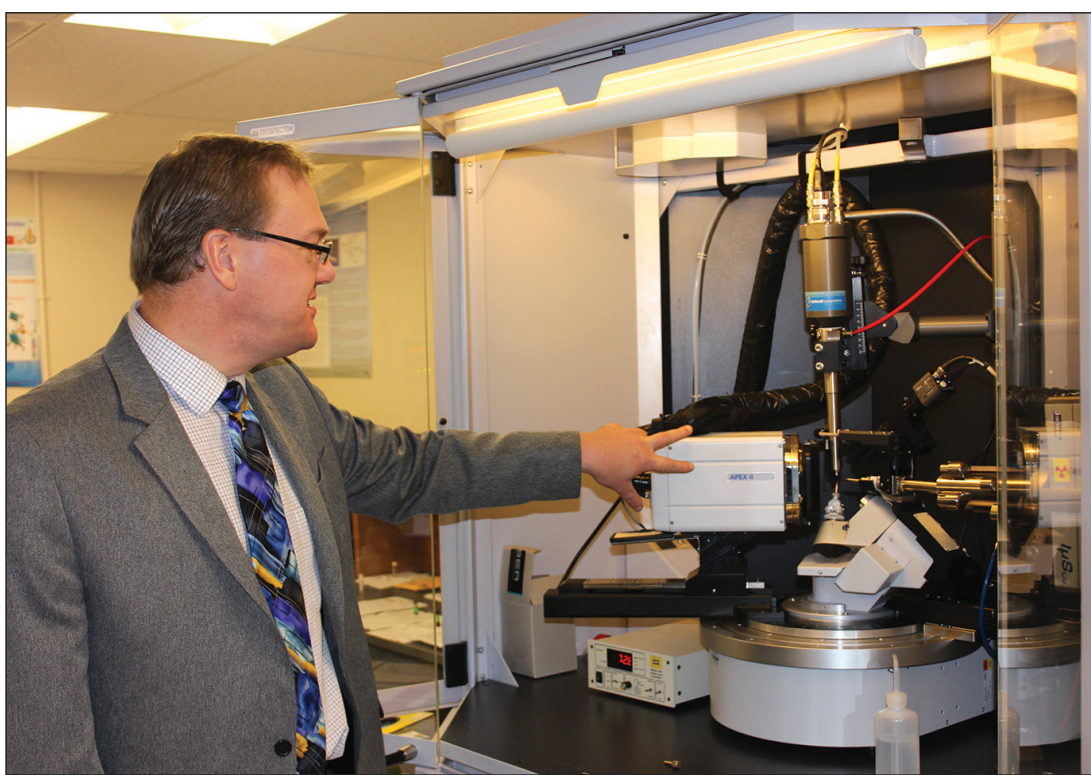


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Matthias Zeller showcases a new X-ray diffractometer in a Ward Beecher Laboratory. The equipment is expected to increase research output and provide students with hands-on research experience.

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Last fall, Youngstown State University acquired a \$470,000 grant from The National Science Foundation to purchase new equipment for Ward Beecher's X-Ray Diffraction Laboratory.

This semester, the lab's

two new diffractometers are already being put to good use — increasing the university's research productivity and providing undergraduates with hands-on research experience.

By beaming X-rays at crystalline surfaces, diffractometers allow researchers to determine the structure of certain materials and, in turn, design new materials with desired characteristics.

"How the atoms are bond-

ed together define their properties. So, if you want to make a new material, you have to know how the things are bonded together," Matthias Zeller, a research staff scientist in the department of materials science and engineering, said. "If you can't do that, you can't make new materials."

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TEDx YOUNGSTOWN SPEAKER SERIES: Anne Victory — Human Trafficking

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In January, speakers of the TEDx Youngstown event will be sharing their messages with the crowd, and among those is Anne Victory, a Sister of the Humility of Mary in Villa Marie, Pennsylvania, who will be spreading awareness about human trafficking.

Victory grew up in the Cleveland area where she attended Magnificat High School in Rocky River and later on attended St. John's College for nursing. She then got her master's in nursing from Ohio State University.

Victory is an education coordinator at the Collaborative to End Human Trafficking. She will be representing the organization and speaking about human trafficking, but focusing specifically on labor trafficking.

"Labor trafficking is actually slavery, forcing people to do work that they do not choose to do, and they are not getting paid for their work and someone is keeping them from leaving their work," Victory said.

Victory said that there are other forms of trafficking like sex and drug trafficking, but labor trafficking receives the least attention.

The Collaborative to End Human Trafficking is an organization out of Cleveland that educates and advocates for the prevention and abolition of human trafficking, while connecting services on behalf of trafficked persons. The members have been to various parts of northern Ohio and Pennsylvania to spread the message.

"When I first heard about human trafficking, I was shocked that it had happened, and especially that it had happened here because I had thought slavery ended in our country a long time ago. It's prevalent throughout the world and right here — it's like an epidemic," Victory said. "We just don't see it."

The group started in 2007 with just four members educated on human trafficking, but since her involvement in 2010, Victory said they've educated many others on the subject.

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Veterans at YSU: Travis Fiest shares his story

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With Halloween behind us, and with Thanksgiving and Christmas fast approaching, it is easy for another important holiday — that came and went on Nov. 11 — to fall between the cracks: Veterans Day.

Youngstown State University is a school rife with veterans, and Travis Fiest, a 28-year-old freshman, shared his story about transitioning from life in the military to life in college.

Fiest was a human resource specialist in the Army for nine years.

"I spent 26 months total in Iraq, between two tours and a year in Korea, so I was away from my loved ones a lot," Fiest said.

Fiest said he had to eventually leave the military because of medical issues. Because Fiest had grown accustomed to a rigid schedule while serving in the military, his transition to civilian life was not an easy one to make.

"I wanted to retire, but when I was told I had to get out because of medical issues, it devastated me. Coming back was a culture shock," Fiest said. "Now I can do what I want, when I want. And my schedule is just a lot more lax, and it takes some time to get use to that."

The YSU Office of Veterans Affairs has helped Fiest with his transition to college life by assisting him with receiving his benefits.

"The VA Office on campus helped me with my GI Bill, and just the whole process of attending classes on campus along with any emotional support if I needed it," Fiest said. "I am now on track to hope-

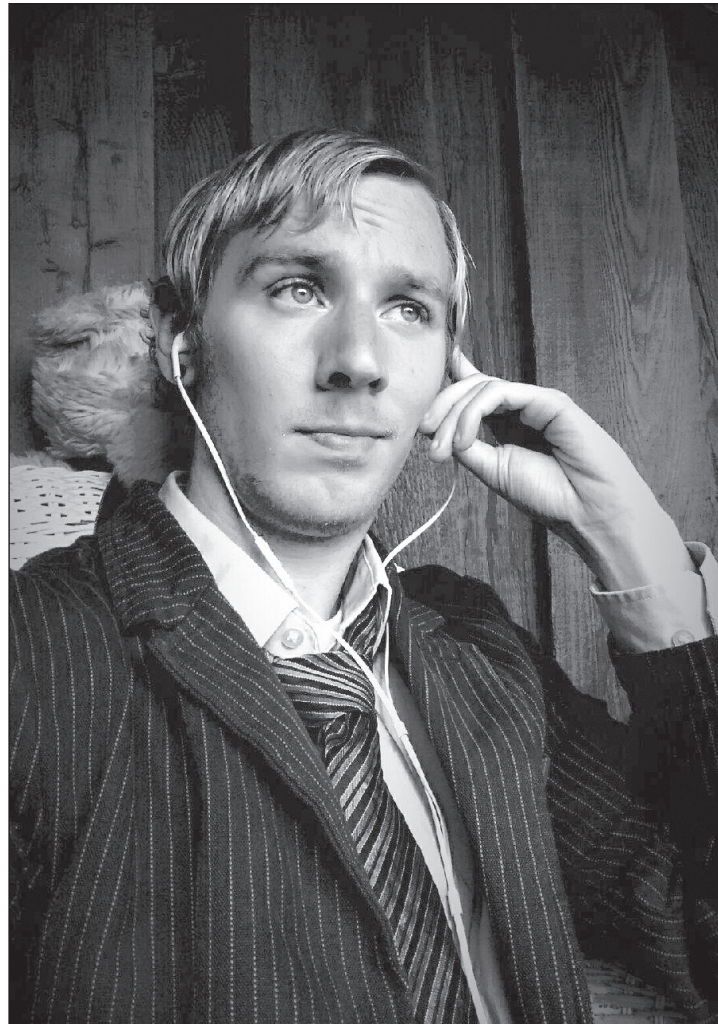


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Travis Fiest served in the U.S. Army for nine years. He spent 26 months in Iraq and a year in Korea before having to leave the military due to health issues.

fully graduate in the up-and-coming years with a degree in telecommunications, so I can pursue my dream of becoming a radio personality."

The Veterans Affairs Office is available to anyone who is currently serving or who has served in the military. They assist veterans in enrolling at YSU, applying their GI Bill to tuition and generally assisting veterans and their family members transition into the college community.

YSU also has a new Veterans Resource Center, which

just opened this past September. The center is available to assist student veterans with their various needs while also providing comfort and a sense of community — giving them access to comforts like a 55-inch TV, furniture, gaming systems and a kitchen.

"I am just so thankful for what the Veterans Affairs Office at YSU has done to help me throughout this process," Fiest said. "They have made me feel more at ease with my decision of attending the university."

Not-So-Secret Services

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Youngstown State University's Career Services, located on the first floor of Jones Hall, offers assistance with YSU students' career development at all stages of their career planning.

Career Services assists students in exploring majors and career paths, examining resumes, conducting mock interviews and locating employment opportunities and internships.

Jennifer Johnson, director of Career Services, is a career coordinator alongside Diane Ritz and Christina Hardy. They are available by appointment, walk-in hours and email.

Hardy, who guides the majority of undecided students, counseled Christine Langer, YSU freshman, with her potential career options this fall.

Langer was informed of how to schedule appointments at Career Services through an in-class presentation on Career Services by Hardy during her Introduction to Honors course.

Langer was unsure of whether her choice to switch her major from engineering to mathematics was best for her, but after speaking with Hardy during a scheduled appointment, her decision was solidi-

fied. "[Hardy] took the information I had and applied it to what's best for me," Langer said.

Career Services has four workshops each semester in Jones Hall to offer tips and advice for how to develop a resume, tips when attending job fairs, advice for choosing a major and how to achieve a successful interview.

Along with individualized counseling and workshops that develop career pathways for students, there are numerous opportunities for job search assistance at Career Services.

Penguin Link is an online resource, which connects students and alumni of YSU to part-time and full-time job opportunities and internships. To use Penguin Link, students simply need to create a profile. For alumni, they are required to register before constructing their profile.

Career Services also manages fall and spring career fairs.

During the 2014 fall career fair, 94 businesses were represented, including Vallourec Star, PLS Logistics and Ajax TOCCO Magnethermic Corporation. After this career fair, 433 students were hired.

The next career fair will be in the spring semester, on March 31.

Edward McCarty, a YSU mechanical engineering grad-

uate, learned of his current job at Ajax TOCCO Magnethermic Corporation through the 2014 spring career fair.

He said the fair is most beneficial for YSU seniors that are graduating that semester, although there are internships and networking opportunities available for other students.

McCarty also acquired a summer internship before he graduated from YSU at Vulcraft Sales Corporations in 2013 on behalf of another career fair.

"[The career coordinators and employees of Career Services] do lots of work to make everything run smoothly," McCarty said. "It's not just about the career fair. You can go there [Career Services] anytime you want and get advice about getting the right career."

In the most recent Graduate Career Outcome Survey conducted by Career Services from 2012-2013, 71 percent of YSU alumni are either full-time employed or full-time continuing their education.

Although Career Services offers the career fairs, Penguin Link and counseling, Johnson said students need to have experience before they graduate.

"Relevant experience is critical to [the students'] ability to secure a job," she said. "Career planning needs to start early with gaining skills employers want."

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YSU's diffraction lab has certainly proven its ability to understand how atoms are bonded together. According to a YSU News press release, students and faculty have collaborated on materials research projects with scientists from all across the country — an initiative that has resulted in the publication of more than 500 scholarly articles in the past 12 years.

In addition to maintaining a high level of productivity, Zeller said YSU's diffraction lab has also implemented a unique policy — one that benefits undergraduate students.

"Right from the start we have had a policy of giving students hands-on access," Zeller said. "That is one of the things that distinguishes us from 99 percent of other universities. ... We allow students to use modern equipment."

Students who work under Zeller expressed appreciation for this policy.

"The hands-on experience is basically what grad schools and PhD programs are looking for in students. They notice that you are taking time out of your busy work schedule as an undergrad to do research, get involved with these kinds of machines and this technology, learn how they work — you get an experience that very few other undergraduates like yourself get," Matthew LaLama, a third-year chemistry student, said.

Jennifer Miller, another third-year chemistry student, agreed, adding that hands-on experience can introduce students to scientific fields they would have otherwise never considered studying.

"I know I came in, and I was like 'I'm going to get my bachelor's degree in chemistry and then go to pharmacy school.' But then I started doing research, talking to professors, and it opened up a whole new world of possibilities that I never even considered," Miller said. "That's actually what made me want to get my PhD — the research experience."

Zeller concluded that his students are his priority, indicating that he wants them to graduate "with a good education and know what they're doing and can put what they learned into action in real life."

Pentagon Moves to Integrate Technology with Wearable Equipment

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The Department of Defense wants to give airmen and soldiers an advantage in combat by integrating technology with lightweight wearable equipment.

The Pentagon has invested millions of dollars to make the size, weight and power of wearable technology and equipment smaller and easier for troops to carry.

Wearable technology, like helmet mounted displays, allow combat airmen on the ground to link into what air-

borne cameras see and may give air traffic controllers a way to spot where aircraft fly, according to Gregory M. Burnett, chief engineer at the Battlefield Air Targeting Man-Aided Knowledge, or BATMAN lab, at the Air Force Research Laboratory at Wright-Patterson base in Ohio.

"We're really trying to augment the operator and aid them throughout their many duties and responsibilities that they conduct in combat and humanitarian assistance," Burnett said.

"Anything we can alleviate and reduce the cognitive and physical needs on our airmen is very much of interest to the Air Force," he said.

One defense research project, Warrior Web, is a lightweight under suit meant to make it easier for troops who carry loads of more than 100 pounds over rough terrain for miles, according to the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. The reinforced suit has a myriad of sensors to monitor and gather data on a soldier wearing it.

The U.S. Army Research Lab tested the suit to determine how well it reduces soldiers' injuries and fatigue, DARPA said.

AFRL research has explored drawing "wasted" kinetic energy, such as when someone is walking, to recharge electronic gadgets like smart phones, Burnett said.

Defense Department needs have prompted defense contractors to develop wearable technologies in the

hopes of tapping into a new market.

Raytheon, for example, recently demonstrated a configuration of a "wearable situational awareness" suit with a helmet mounted display, a laptop computer mounted on a chest vest, and 3-Dimensional audio.

The helmet mounted display lets a wearer see "augmented reality," or data such as distance, location of targets and other information displayed over the location a person is looking at while audio amplifies real world sounds much like a stereo system.

"Really, what we're trying to do is paint a picture in the battlefield," said Brian P. Murphy, a company intelligence information and services program manager.

Engineers want the suit to become part of the wearer without becoming a distraction.

"We have to make that interaction more seamless," said John Bell, a business development leader at Raytheon, a major defense contractor.

Loren B. Thompson, a Virginia-based Lexington Institute defense analyst and a consultant to the defense industry, said the military has to carefully determine how rugged and secure wearable technologies are before taking them to the battlefield.

"The military likes the versatility of portable computers but often they are just not rugged enough or secure enough to use in a combat environment," he said.

Rapid advancement of wearable commercial technology has led the Defense Department to adapt off-the-shelf technology for military needs.

"The U.S. military has figured out it can't keep buying things the traditional way because it will never keep up with the marketplace," he said. "They will have to buy more commercial, off-the-shelf technology."

But the danger is adversaries "will understand that technology very well," he said. "There are real drawbacks to using commercial technologies in a combat environment."

Homework Express Not Returning to Airwaves Soon, But There is Still Hope

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There may still be hope for Homework Express returning to the airwaves. Unfortunately, it does not look like it will be anytime soon according to executive producer Bill Brophy.

It has been one year since the educational program ceased production, and a new distribution deal with WFMJ is only one small step in a long, expensive journey.

When the news broke in January that Youngstown State University's educational program had ended, it was reported that new episodes would be produced and aired on WBCB: The Valley's CW in the fall after forming a distribution deal with WFMJ.

Fall, however, came with no mention of the show's return. Brophy said this is the result of a lack of funds that would make it possible to buy

necessary technology.

"Although we have an agreement with WFMJ to distribute the show, we are having difficulty trying to find the funding," Brophy said. "[Production] involves some new purchases, which are difficult."

As of right now, the Homework Express does not have a way of getting their signal from the live show to the WFMJ studios located downtown. Fred Owens, communications director and project director for Homework Express, said they are trying to find technology that would allow them to send the signal via the Internet.

"We are looking for new technology through the Internet to deliver the show downtown," Owens said. "We are looking for a way to send and receive content over the Internet regularly."

Brophy said that the technology to distribute the show exists, but is not monetarily attainable.

"The technology exists, if you have the money," Brophy said. "Also, today, if you're on broadcast television, you must have closed captioning. With

a scripted show, that's easy. Because we have students calling in, and we don't know what they're going to do, we need somebody in real time taking down what they hear. The system to do that and the people for that cost money. WFMJ won't take the show without that."

With no funding from the university, Homework Express is on its own to find sponsors, which is a difficult task for a show that seems to be out of sight and out of mind for most people.

Brophy and Owens said they both hope for the best for the program, as they believe it helps communication students and at-home viewers equally.

Throughout its original nine-year run, the show earned three local Emmy Award nominations. If the show returns, Kelly Stevens is expected to reprise her hosting role.

"I am not encouraged that we're going to make it back on the air," Brophy said. "I'm not optimistic, but I'm hopeful."

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Students of Beaumont High School participated in an art contest for the Collaborative to End Human Trafficking.

"We started meeting to find out 'what is this crime really about,' and 'what do we do about it?' We determined right then that one of the things we could do once we learned enough was to educate others," Victory said. "We've made some progress, and we have a long way to go."

The organization also collaborates with social service agencies and law enforcement to feed victims of human trafficking.

"This is such an important issue to make the public aware of. I really want them to understand that labor trafficking is very prevalent everywhere in the world, and that we are already relying on slave labor, so we have to change that," Victory said.

Victory is involved in the Sisters of the Humility of Mary, women who provide housing, health care and education services for children, immigrants, refugees and the elderly. She said that they have inspired her to promote social justice.

"I have a lot of people who I look up to and challenge me

to speak out on matters of injustice. I would say much of that comes from the Sisters of the Humility of Mary who have challenged us all to speak out on matters of social justice," Victory said.

Victory expressed her concern for the direction of the issue if it's not stopped.

"It's a global human rights issue and it's the second largest criminal enterprise in the world, second only to drug trafficking, and so millions and millions of people are being abused in this fashion everyday," she said. "This has to change."

She added that the TEDx event allows her to increase public understanding of labor trafficking, as well as human trafficking.

"This is my first time being connected with the TEDx event, but I think it's a good opportunity to help people become more aware of this horrible crime, and perhaps, an opportunity to do something about it," Victory said. "We can't do anything about it unless we are first aware that it's an issue."

YouTube to Launch Music Subscription Service Next Week

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YouTube, the pioneer of free online videos watched by millions of people, is rolling out a subscription music streaming service to compete with stalwarts like Spotify and others.

The Internet giant, owned by Google, will introduce early next week a new service dubbed YouTube Music Key for \$9.99 a month that will give users access to a massive music catalog that they can listen to on their smartphones or computers. YouTube's service will be on demand and allow subscribers to listen to music and watch videos without commercials.

YouTube's new service will also let subscribers listen while sending text messages and store music on their devices for offline listening.

The move by Google comes after more than a year of speculation. The paid offering could help the company increase its strength in the world of online music. It's starting off with a promotional monthly fee of \$7.99, lower than rivals such as Stockholm-based Spotify.

"We want YouTube to continue to be the best place for artists and fans to connect, so we're bringing a new music experience on YouTube to give fans more ways to enjoy music on YouTube, and give artists more ways to connect with fans and earn more revenue," said Christophe Muller, YouTube's

head of music partnerships.

YouTube has already amassed a huge audience for music through its free video site that makes money from advertising. Videos featuring the likes of Miley Cyrus ("Wrecking Ball") and Meghan Trainor ("All About That Bass") have drawn hundreds of millions of views each.

Those invited at launch will have free use for six months after it debuts early next week.

YouTube has secured the rights to a huge catalog of songs with deals with three major record labels, Universal Music Group, Sony Music Entertainment and Warner Music Group. The tech giant also has deals with hundreds of independent music companies.

Since its launch in 2005, YouTube has established itself as one of the most popular destinations for free music. The site has become a launching pad to pop chart-toppers like Korean rapper Psy, and also to countless user-generated parodies of songs like "Let It Go" from Disney's "Frozen."

YouTube says people around the world watch more than 6 billion hours of its videos a month. Spotify, the biggest subscription music service, counts more than 50 million users, about 12 million of whom pay to access its library without commercials.

Google is no stranger to the subscription music world. It already has a \$10-a-month service called Google Play Music All Access, though it has not released its number of users. People who sign up for Music Key will also get to tap into Google Play Music.

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Penguin Review Celebrates 50th Anniversary

Penguin Review, a student-run print literary magazine, will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a special issue and launch party. The launch party will be Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. in the DeBartolo Stadium Club at Stambaugh Stadium on YSU campus. It is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be available, along with a free copy of the 50th anniversary edition.

Financial Aid Office Offers Workshops

The Student Loan Repayment Workshop will be offered by the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships on Nov. 18 and 19. All students are invited to the event. The Nov. 18 workshop is at 1 p.m. in the Gallery Room in Kilcawley Center. The Nov. 19 workshop is at 10 a.m. in the Ohio Room in Kilcawley Center.

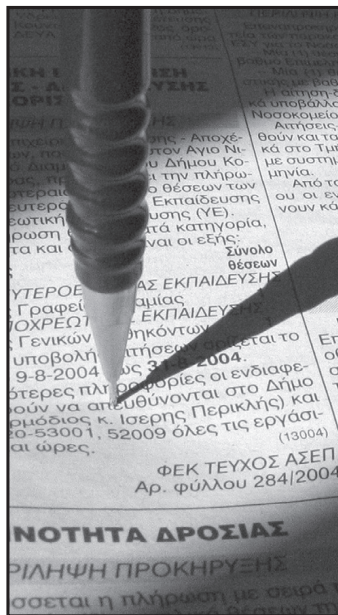
Fok Family Donates to YSU

Youngstown State University received a \$2.5 million donation from the Fok family in memory of the late Thomas Fok. Fok served as a faculty member and a trustee for YSU and the YSU Foundation. Because of this donation, Alumni House on Wick Avenue will be renamed Fok's Hall.



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A honor guard carries the remains of Army Staff Sgt. James L. Van Bendegom during graveside services on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2014, at Sunset Ridge Memorial Cemetery in Kenosha, Wis. Van Bendegom was captured in Vietnam in July 1967 when his patrol was overrun by enemy forces. His family didn't know his fate until POWs returned home at the end of the Vietnam War and reported he died of wounds from the attack while in captivity. His remains were recently identified.



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Obama's China Trip Exceeds Expectations With Wins on Climate Change, Trade

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Expectations were low when President Barack Obama started his China trip Monday, less than a week after Democrats were trounced in the midterm elections. "Lame duck swims to Asia" was the headline the Washington political news website Politico put on the story.

Yet upon his departure Wednesday from Beijing, Obama could claim some trophies from his visit: He'd landed several agreements with his hosts, including a first-ever commitment by China to control its greenhouse gas emissions.

"I would describe this as the most successful multilateral summit of his presidency," said Aaron Connelly, a research fellow in the East Asia program of Lowy Institute for International Policy in Australia. He said it was impressive that the White House had been able to nail down some deals late in Obama's visit to Beijing, as opposed to having concluded them days or weeks earlier.

Other analysts were less effusive, noting that tensions were still on display between the world's two most powerful countries, most publicly during a news conference Wednesday by Obama and President Xi Jinping. Even so, some agreed the meeting had defied expectations.

"From the standpoint of U.S.-China relations, President Obama's trip to Beijing has gone better than expected," said Don Emmerson, the head of the Southeast Asia program at Stanford University.

Emmerson called it significant that, aside from the climate pact, the two sides could reach agreement on lowering global tariffs on high-technology products, lessening the chance of escalation during encounters between their countries' militaries and lengthening visas for Americans and Chinese traveling to each other's countries.

"Declaration' is not 'implementation,' but these are encouraging signs of a welcomed willingness on both sides to work together," Emmerson said. He added that he'll be watching to see whether "this productive but fragile comity" continues as Obama attends the East Asia Summit in Myanmar on Thursday and then travels Saturday to Australia for the G-20

summit of industrial and emerging-market nations.

Obama and Xi held their sixth formal meeting of the past two years Wednesday at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing. During their talks, Obama said, he pressed Xi on human rights, allegations of cybertheft, unfair trade practices and China's exchange rates. He also commended Xi for China's help in responding to the Ebola crisis and countering terrorism, as well as recent talks to normalize relations with Japan and "ease tensions" in the region.

"If the United States is going to continue to lead the world in addressing global challenges, then we need to have the world's second largest economy, and most populous nation on Earth, as our partner," Obama said in comments to reporters after the meeting.

Xi and Obama's news conference took an unusual awkward turn when the only foreign reporter allowed to ask questions peppered Xi with a series of inquiries. Under the format, only one reporter from China was allowed to ask questions, along with one foreign reporter, who turned out to be Mark Landler from The New York Times.

In a lengthy inquiry, Landler asked Xi about recent examples of anti-American rhetoric in China, the protests in Hong Kong and China's denial of visas to New York Times reporters in apparent retaliation for investigative reports on the wealth of Chinese leaders. This created the rare situation of a Chinese leader being questioned by a foreign journalist, with his reaction streamed live on Phoenix TV, a Hong Kong media outlet usually available to Chinese netizens. The news conference wasn't broadcast on government-controlled CCTV.

Xi initially waved off the questions, allowing a reporter from China Daily to ask one about the country's approach to world affairs. Xi then appeared to recite a prepared statement, sticking to the line, also used by Obama, that the world's two greatest powers do not face an inevitable clash economically or militarily.

"Both President Obama and I believe that when China and U.S. work together, we can become an anchor of world stability, and the propeller of world peace," said Xi, speaking in Chinese with his words translated by a government interpreter.

Then Xi, the son of a Communist Party leader during the Mao era, harshened his tone as he turned

to some of Landler's questions. He called the pro-democracy occupation in Hong Kong an "illegal movement" that would be dealt with by Chinese law. "Hong Kong affairs are exclusively China's internal affairs, and foreign countries should not interfere in those affairs in any form or fashion," Xi said.

He also obliquely addressed questions about press freedoms and the visa issue, although in a way that left many confused. He used an analogy about a car broken down on the highway and the responsibility for fixing it. "In China, we have a saying: The party which has created the problem should be the one to resolve it," said Xi.

For his part, Obama tried to dodge the Hong Kong questions, acknowledging U.S. interests for a freer society in the former British territory but calling them "issues ultimately for the people of Hong Kong and the people of China to decide." He also came back to the potential for China and the U.S. to lead the world on issues it agrees on, even if it disagrees on others.

"The carbon-reduction agreement we just announced is a perfect example of why a strong U.S.-China relationship is so critical," he said.

That agreement, announced early Wednesday in Beijing, instantly became worldwide news, partly for its symbolic value. The United States and China are the world's largest producers of greenhouse gases, accounting for nearly 40 percent of the world's emissions. Their agreement to cap and cut emissions puts pressure on other countries to join in an international climate deal, the focus of a summit next year in Paris.

Under the pact, the United States has agreed to cut net emissions 26 percent to 28 percent below 2005 levels in the next 11 years. China has agreed for the first time to set limits on its own emissions, gradually reducing fossil fuels so that its emissions would peak "around 2030," possibly earlier, and then drop as the country transitions to non-coal sources of power.

Connelly, of the Lowy Institute, said the climate pact was significant, partly because it showed that Obama could make progress internationally even without the support of Congress, which will be fully controlled by Republicans during the remainder of his term.

"This suggests to me that Obama will redouble his efforts on foreign policy the next two years," said Connelly. "He can get a lot done. He is still president of the United States."

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'Designated Drivers' Encourages Art Sharing at YSU

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Artists Brett Bloom and Marc Fischer, creators of the Temporary Services art label, display their interactive art exhibit, titled "Designated Drivers," in the basement hallway of the Butler Museum of American Art.

The exhibit is a series of retractable clotheslines, each of which showcases a USB port attached to a stretchable cord. Each of the individual ports holds up to 4 gigabytes of material that is available for the public to download to their own personal devices and share. There are 20 different artists that have gathered around 20,000 files that are available to the public.

The artists that participated in the project were sought out by Bloom and Fischer for specific purposes and mediums. Many of the featured works are from international sources, such as Finland, Belgrade, the United Kingdom and some from throughout the United States.

Fischer, one half of Temporary Services, said that he compares the interactive art experience to sharing different movies or music with friends before digital sharing was available.

"This idea echoes tape trading communities, the whole experience of trading obscure movies or music with friends. It was peer to peer; it carried a sense of personal dimension," Fischer said. "These files can't be downloaded online and can only be downloaded via exhibit. Even though it's digital, it encourages people to participate."

Youngstown State University is the third school that has hosted the exhibit — allowing students to freely take video files, audio files, JPGs, PDF files and many more. Every type of sharable art form is provided, including animated GIFs.

Jonathan Dana Sperry, a digital media professor at YSU, said when he was thinking about different exhibits to place in the Butler Museum's basement, "Designated Drivers" was one of his first thoughts.

"I knew [Temporary Services'] stuff and actually participated in a few exhibits in 2000. I had followed



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their work from then," Sperry said. "I was trying to find something to fill the basement that showed digital art how it is today. It gives a notion of how art is experienced and aligned with open sources and sharing. The exhibit is something fun and different — it allows people to view art there and elsewhere, present and future."

Fischer said that in the end, the art in "Designated Drivers" was meant to be spread around.

"We just wanted something cheap, easy to carry and easy to share — and this is what we made," Fischer said.

Temporary Services also includes Half Letter Press, a publishing imprint and online store. Products, information and social media sites can be found at temporarieservices.org/served.



Drae Smith's 'Small Town Story'

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Drae Smith, owner and artist at Keep it Movin' records will release his album "Small Town Story" on Nov. 21.

Smith began making music when he was 14 years old, writing and recording his own songs. Smith is now 23 and still continues to pursue his music career.

"My whole childhood, I would recite song lyrics

and pretend to perform in front of my friends and family with a toy guitar and microphone," Smith said. "As I got into my teens that love and obsession just naturally turned into writing my own lyrics and creating my own songs."

The past eight years, Smith said he has been trying to make a name for himself. The Youngstown-born musician said that he finds that one's surroundings can push people to do things they wouldn't imagine themselves doing, even in a small town.

"Life itself is my motivation for the songs that I

write," he said. "I also get inspiration from things I see happening where I'm from, in world news events, politics, sports and society in general. A big part of what I do also comes from wanting to help young kids as they grow up and head into society."

Smith hopes to make a difference for the teens and others who want to get into the music business. When he was younger, the only ones who got the chance to listen to him were his friends at school or his family. He didn't start taking music seriously until he was almost finished with school.

"I feel like a lot of hip-hop/rap music today is guiding the youth in the complete wrong direction," Smith said.

To this day, he has written over 100 songs since starting his musical journey. He has opened shows for artists such as Wiz Kahlifa, Machine Gun Kelly, Three Days Grace and The Devil Wears Prada.

Smith said that with every song or opening act, there can, and will, be someone who doesn't like what musicians have to offer.

"I am from East Palestine — it is a very hard-working, blue-collar and somewhat rural area where hip-hop music is not looked at favorably," Smith said. "I eventually improved a tremendous amount and gained the respect of many who had doubted me before. The tough times I faced while in high school helped motivate me to work harder and is a big reason I am where I am today."

Before he became a solo artist, Smith was part of Tom from The Headlines, the rock/metal/rap hybrid group, from 2012 to 2013. As a solo artist, he has performed in Las Vegas, Myrtle Beach, Houston and Pittsburgh.

Smith plans to release his album "Small Town Story" and hopes to start another rock/metal/rap band in the future.

"I want to show [society that] you have to enjoy your life and do what you love, but also understand that becoming a responsible, educated, productive member of society is most important," Smith said.

To hear some of his music or purchase merchandise, visit www.draesmith.com. "Small Town Story" will be available on Spotify on Nov. 21.



PHOTO COURTESY OF DRAE SMITH.

"This is my island," Avery said. "Right over there."

A flag clings to an island tree, stained black, unmoving. Across the river stands a refrigerator riddled with bullet holes.

Avery hunted game as a means of survival and protection. He told tales of mountain lions and bears wandering right past his front door, or down the railroad tracks.

He powered generators with marine batteries for use

in boats, recharging them at the soup kitchen. He had all the amenities of home — television, radio, lights.

Avery kayaked and canoed up and down the Mahoning River. He fished, fed the geese and wrangled snapping turtles.

"I lived off the land all my life," Avery said.

In 2010, Politiken, the Danish news organization, sent reporters to follow Avery for three days and docu-

ment his actions.

"I can't stand that pavement," Avery said. "And where am I at now? Under that f---ing bridge."

After the fire, squatters and drifters seized the land where Avery's cabin once stood. He was forced to vacate and find another place to stay.

"Ain't that a bitch?" he said. "I'm afraid of dying."

Avery now lives with two others under the Marshall Street Bridge, in a tent.

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EDITORIAL

CAMPUS POLITICS NEED TO CONCERN STUDENTS

Strike! Unions! Budgets! Hiring freezes!

These topics aren't exactly sexy, unless you're a news junkie or a student of labor unions or accounting. For some, it's likely these words in a headline will send them running for our most recent list article or piece about quirky students. Those pieces are great, fun to write, fun to read and are meant to entertain while educating.

Be that as it may, students need to pay attention to the ugly headlines too. They've got great personalities.

For some students, hopefully the majority, this isn't an issue. There are some who remain oblivious to the workings beyond daily class to class life that keep Youngstown State University running, and this editorial is a plea to them.

Please, pay attention.

It's easy to disregard what's happening on campus behind the scenes. Obviously, access is tough. Average students don't have the chance to sit with President Tressel or the Board of Trustees or the top faculty union members and get unfettered access to what's happening, and if they do, they then have to navigate a sea of spin to figure out which assemblage of facts are closest to the truth.

Even with proper access to information, there is still the question: "Why should I care?" Most college students spend between four to six years at an institution, and with YSU being an overwhelmingly commuter school, the issue of transience of the central community plays an enormous part in why individuals don't involve themselves more.

Often time, the "shadow campus" — the areas

immediately surrounding a campus where students live in off-campus housing — are run down, primarily because no one is investing in the area. Students move in, bear the conditions for a few years, even embracing them as part of the college experience, and move out, leaving landlords little incentive to really upgrade the units.

It is the opinion of this editorial that this issue of transience is afflicting our institution as well.

College is tough for many. Even the academically gifted still have to bear the costs of living on their own, keeping a social life, balancing school, work, hobbies, organizations, internships and myriad other responsibilities. It's natural to want to duck in and attempt to plow through the college experience as quickly and painlessly as possible.

The problem with this strategy is that students, who have the power to affect enormous change due to the fact that the majority of a college's funding is directly correlative to the students attending, often times never organize to utilize this power.

The abysmal voter turnout for the Student Government Association, the body which is meant to represent student interests to the faculty and administration, is evidence enough of this disengagement in the body. In some elections, less than 1 percent of the student body turned out to vote.

When students don't get mad about how budget money is used, unnecessary positions are created, academic courses and programs — like the JSTOR database at Maag Library — are defunded and hiring freezes occur.

When students don't get mad about hiring freezes, necessary services like the Center for Student Progress become understaffed, putting the burden of helping students navigate life at college on the shoulders of already over-stretched grad students.

When students don't get mad, situations like faculty strikes become nearly inevitable, and despite what some may think about an extended break, a strike is bad for everyone on campus, from the president on down. How many students truly want to spend an extra semester on campus, putting off starting their adult lives for another year or half year? How many students truly want to lose their student loan allocations for a semester? How many students can afford a few thousand dollar hit to their budgets?

These are not hypotheticals. These situations currently exist on campus, and the group with potentially the loudest voice and strongest arm oftentimes seems to have their heads in the sand.

Every student, from those of us tasked with reporting the news to the first semester freshman, need to be aware of what's going on and be willing to organize to ensure that the education many students are going into deep debt to afford is one that is worth the cost. Read The Jambar, The Vindicator, The News Outlet and YSU News. Keep up with reports from the local stations. Follow key YSU Twitter accounts. Talk to your professors and ask them what students can be doing to help make things better on campus. Engage the SGA, who are taking steps to make receiving student feedback even easier than it already is. Get to know who represents students on campus. Know who Michael Slavens is. Know who Eric Shehadi is. Submit letters to the editor to The Jambar. Make your voice known.

Everyone is busy. Everyone has his or her own life outside of YSU campus. But everyone can spend a little time engaging one facet of campus workings. If students can organize those efforts, a united group of concerned students can change more than any editorial or SGA election ever could.

WE'RE IN A CLIMATE CHANGE HOLE; LET'S STOP DIGGING

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The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change recently released its Fifth Assessment Report, summarizing the state of climate science and solutions. The report reinforces previous findings that the earth is warming, humans are primarily responsible and rapid reductions in emissions are urgently needed. Our current emissions trend substantially increases the risk of costly, dangerous, irreversible and potentially catastrophic changes in the global life support systems we all depend upon.

We've dug ourselves into a deep climate hole. Despite ever more dire warnings, greenhouse gas emissions have grown 42 percent since the IPCC's first assessment report in 1990. Preserving a safe climate means turning global greenhouse gas emissions down this decade and reducing them rapidly in absolute terms during the next 40 years, even as GDP and population increase. It also means keeping three quarters of proven fossil fuel reserves in the ground or safely storing the emissions from burning those fuels.

The science summarized by the IPCC gives clear guidance for what we should do next:

— Stop new digging

The more high-emissions infrastructure we build now, the more we'll have to scrap in coming decades, so

let's stop building it as soon as we can. That means no new coal-fired power plants, no new shipping terminals to move coal overseas, no more pipelines or rail lines to unconventional oil supplies, and no drilling for oil in the soon-to-be ice-free Arctic. It will be difficult to stop these projects. But once built, they will be even harder to shut down. Better to not build them in the first place.

— Charge the full cost of digging

To stabilize the climate, we need policies consistent with a low emissions world (like those now in place in California), including putting a price on greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants. We also need even stricter safety and environmental regulations. That also means ditching the "all of the above" energy strategy in the U.S., where fossil fuels are supported on a coequal basis with non-fossil energy sources. Subsidies for fossil fuels need to end. Mountaintop removal coal mining and single-bid auctions of fossil fuels on public lands need to stop. And bonding requirements for U.S. natural gas drilling companies, last set in 1960 and never adjusted for inflation, need to increase substantially.

Climb out with alternatives. Existing clean energy technologies already offer many opportunities in both developed and developing economies. Costs are dropping fast. Wind generation is now competitive with conventional energy sources, even without counting the latter's pollution costs. Solar is not far behind. Deploying distributed renewable electricity in microgrids is often cheaper than extending the central electric grid in the

developing world. Energy efficiency remains the cheapest, cleanest, fastest emissions reduction resource, with innovation (especially in information technologies) delivering more and better efficiency options with each passing day. Retrofitting existing hydropower facilities is simple and cost effective. Cogeneration of heat and power remains underused. And if the nuclear industry can build plants as quickly, cheaply and safely as they say they can, nuclear power might also help.

Surviving this stage of human development means we will need to evolve as a species and learn how to face challenges like climate change, trying many things, failing fast and doing more of what works and less of what doesn't work. We will need to foster rapid innovation, fierce competition and active coordination, all at the same time. We also need to reassess our responsibilities to each other, to the earth and to future generations. And we will need to explore changes in our values, our behaviors and our institutions, which can be as powerful as new technologies in improving our future.

Today's technology allows us to move past combustion now, in most applications. But scaling up new technology to meet the demands of a modern industrial society won't be easy. Not doing so will be harder still, because of the damage runaway climate change will inflict on the earth and on human society.

The new IPCC Synthesis Report shows how to climb out of this hole. But first we need to stop digging.

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'Shake It Off'

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We've all done it — the incessant judging of Taylor Swift's sick dance moves and that risqué cat costume that Becky wore for the third year in a row at that frat party on Halloween a few weeks ago. It is human nature to have thoughts and opinions in regards to those around us, but, I mean, why exactly do we feel so compelled to, as Taylor Swift aptly stated, "hate, hate, hate"?

Slut-shaming is just one of the more rampantly popular and more reprehensible versions of this hating. When we shame others, namely women, for their personal lives and the way they dress, we are committing the crime of slut-shaming.

Taylor Porada, a fourth-year student at YSU, said she feels very strongly on the issue. It is infuriating that a woman would be judged for acting in the same manner as a guy who doesn't receive any judgment. She enforces that what a girl does with her time and her life is her own business, not something for others to comment on.

Dressing up to go out has a different standard depending on gender. Girls are faced with their clothing choices being a reflection of their characters, while the length or tightness of a guy's shorts don't equate to his promiscuity with the opposite sex. Girls' short shorts and a crop top apparently say, "Come and get me."

"[The way I dress] that's my prerogative, not your chance to touch me," Porada said. "Sometimes I like being dressed sexy."

Not only are we spreading the wrong message, that girls who dress sexy are slutty, we are creating a culture of self-conscious females constantly questioning if their favorite thigh-high boots scream, "Please cat-call at me."

In "We Need to Stop Judging Other Women for Their Halloween Costumes" from The Huffington Post, published on Oct. 30, Erin Spencer said that as we get older, we evolve into more self-doubting beings.

"Insecurities only get worse as we get older," Spencer said. "High school Regina George and the Plastics are so much meaner somehow."

It has always been said that the reason we badmouth

others is because we are unhappy with ourselves. Spencer brings up a good point: people are getting meaner with their judgments about others. It's because we are being bred to be hyperaware of our actions as women and, in turn, we are projecting it onto those around us.

Hannah Barnes, a coworker and friend of Porada, admits to being a judger herself. Looking at others she said she often thinks, "What the hell is that person wearing?" However, if that thought was being returned, she would think, "Who are you to judge me?"

"I think girls should be able to wear what they want, dance how they want, and ... [sleep with] who they want. Mind your own business," Barnes said. "Don't judge anyone. If it doesn't affect you, then it shouldn't matter to you. That's my philosophy."

Because it is a natural human element to judge other people, I'm not saying turn off being human; I am saying, though, that control can be employed. Perhaps it's time to tone down voicing such opinions. You never know how low someone else's self-esteem is, and who are we to help lower it?

Penguins Look to Rebound Against Indiana State

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Last week's loss to Illinois State University could potentially leave the Youngstown State University football team's playoff hopes in the arms of the FCS selection committee, which denied the team a season ago.

15th-ranked YSU (7-3 and 4-2) is currently tied for third place in the Missouri Valley Conference, which has six of the league's 10 teams ranked in the FCS top 25. It is believed that at least three MVC teams will make the playoffs, with a chance that four could make it in.

If the committee only chooses to take three teams from the MVC, then YSU could be on the outside looking in. As it currently stands, YSU is tied with the University of Northern Iowa for third place in the conference, but this could prove troublesome for YSU as UNI has more marquee wins, including wins against the top two teams in the MVC: Illinois State University and North Dakota State University.

"I think five wins this year will get any team in. If it doesn't, then there's a problem," Head Coach Eric Wolford said. "If you play in the Missouri Valley Conference, and you get five wins, you should be in the playoffs."

If Wolford is right that five wins will get the Penguins into the playoffs, then YSU will need to win one of its two remaining games. That will not be easy, however, as YSU faces two ranked opponents — 23rd-ranked Indiana State University this weekend at home and fourth-ranked North Dakota State University the following week in Fargo, North Dakota.

Indiana State (6-4, 3-3) will be looking to rebound from a 32-12 loss to South Dakota State University last weekend. The Sycamores were ahead 9-7 going into halftime last weekend, but allowed 25 unanswered points to SDSU.

The Sycamores are led by senior quarterback Mike Parish, who is one of the best quarterbacks in school history. Parish is second all-time in Indiana State's career passing yards list and is tied for first place in career touchdowns with 40. Parish is also first in the MVC in passing yards this season with 2,249 yards and is averaging 249.9 yards per game.

"He's pretty good. He does good job of running their offense ... running their system," Wolford said. "He's got a very accurate arm, and then schematically they stretch you as far as making you defend the whole field."

YSU defensive end Derek Rivers said the defense must play physical and get pressure on Parish for the



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Stephen Page (65) reads the defense prior to snapping the ball. Page is one of 11 seniors who will be honored on Senior Night on Saturday.

Penguins defense to be successful. YSU ranks sixth in the conference in sacks with 22, 13 of those sacks coming from Rivers. This is the third most single season sacks in school history.

"They run a pretty fast tempo offense, so if you can get him out of rhythm you got a pretty good chance of winning the game. So getting pressure on him is going to be big from our D-line this week," Rivers said.

It will be an emotional day for the Penguins, as it is the final regular season game for 11 seniors, including 9 starters. Stephen Page, senior center, says that Saturday will be a very special day for him.

"Being a hometown guy, it means a lot to me," Page said. "I really hope the fans come out and see us because it would really mean a lot to me to make a special memory — to be able to finish my regular season career at Stambaugh Stadium on high note."

Kickoff against Indiana State is set for 2 p.m. on Saturday.

FCS COLLEGE FOOTBALL RANKINGS

1. New Hampshire (8-1)	12. Montana State (7-3)
2. Coastal Carolina (10-0)	13. McNeese State (6-3)
3. Jacksonville State (8-1)	14. Richmond (7-3)
4. North Dakota State (9-1)	15. Youngstown State (7-3)
5. Eastern Washington (9-2)	16. Montana (6-4)
6. Villanova (8-2)	17. Harvard (8-0)
7. Fordham (9-1)	18. Eastern Kentucky (8-2)
8. Illinois State (8-1)	19. South Dakota (6-4)
9. Chattanooga (7-3)	20. Bethune-Cookman (8-2)
10. Southern-Louisiana (7-3)	21. Bryant (8-1)
11. Northern Iowa (6-4)	22. Northern Arizona (7-3)

Basketball Season Tips Off for Penguins



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DJ Cole prepares to attempt a 3-point shot. Cole is one of two seniors on the roster and has emerged as a leader early this season.

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Saturday will be an important day for Youngstown State University athletics as it implements its first "3-Point Play" game package. Along with the football game, the men's basketball team will tip off its season.

As the YSU men's basketball team prepares for their opening game against Kent State University, Head Coach Jerry Slocum expects senior guard DJ Cole to lead the team this season due to a lack of veteran leadership on the team.

"I don't really see it as pressure because I put a lot on myself. I know what he wants from me, and I know what I expect from myself," Cole said. "I take what he gives me and I just try to push myself to the next level."

Slocum expects junior forward Bobby Hain to become the leading scorer on the team. Hain received Second Team Preseason All-Horizon League honors last month.

"His whole game is better. He shoots the ball better, he's a little better around the basket, he's lost a little weight and he's a little lighter on his feet. He's got to get tougher," Slocum said. "You don't play that position at this level without a level of toughness and grit. I think he has that in him and I don't think we get that on a nightly or daily basis, and I think that is the next step for him."

YSU played the Golden Flashes last season and lost the game 83-79. The Penguins got off to a slow start in the first half after trailing 42-30, but were able to close the gap in the second half.

Slocum is aware that the Penguins struggled against Kent State last season. The 2014-2015 Golden Flashes are projected to be one of the best Kent State teams in recent years.

"They're very good. I believe someone told me from their MAC media day that this is one of their best teams that they've had over the last five or six years, or one of the best teams that Rob has had," Slocum said.

Slocum is concerned about the team's consistency throughout the offseason. The Penguins have several new players on the roster and have to deal with the loss of one of the top players in the Horizon League — Kendrick Perry.

"We've had two really good scrimmages. I don't know if you ever feel like you are ready for opening night, especially when you have eight new guys. This has been a process for us," Slocum said. "There have been times when we have looked very, very good and there have been times when we looked challenged, but that's to be expected when you have so many new guys."

Cole is looking forward to the game on Saturday. After his performance in the loss last season, he is excited to improve his performance against Kent State.

"Last year this was a game that I got hurt in and I didn't get to finish the last 15 minutes of the second half," Cole said. "That leaves a little chip on my shoulder because I felt like I could have been out there helping my team out. They're a great team and it's going to be a great game Saturday night."

Tipoff is set for 7 p.m. on Saturday.