

Press Day marks 65th year at YSU on April 29

Doug Clifton, editor of The Plain Dealer in Cleveland, is the keynote speaker at the 65th Press Day at Youngstown State University on April 29.

Clifton is expected to talk about freedom of information as well as careers and changes in journalism at 12:30 p.m. in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center on the YSU campus. Clifton previously was executive editor of the Miami Herald. Under his leadership, the newspaper won three Pulitzer Prizes and was a finalist for five more. He recently was named "Editor of the Year" by Editor and Publisher magazine.

Press Day, which runs from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., annually attracts dozens of high school journalists and their advisors to campus to participate in a variety of workshops where they can get nuts-and-bolts advice from established media professionals.

Students also compete in writing, layout and design, video, newspaper and yearbook contests. Editors from regional newspapers like The Vindicator and Tribune-Chronicle meet with students to evaluate the content and layout of their school newspapers.