# News-Briefs

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#### Calendar

**Monday, Sept. 5.** University closed for Labor Day.

**Monday, Sept. 5.** YSU women's golf host the YSU Invitational at Firestone Farms Golf Club in Columbiana, Ohio. The invitational

continues all day **Sept. 6**.



Sophomore quarterback Kurt Hess and junior running back Jamaine Cook lead the YSU Penguins into their home opener 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10 in Stambaugh Stadium against Valparaiso . For more information, visit www.ysusports.com.

# Tuesday, Sept. 6 through Sunday,

**Sept. 11.** YSU commemorates the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001 with a variety of events:

- **Sept. 6, noon,** A Salute to America at the 9/11 Memorial and Flag Pole on the YSU campus core; **2 p.m.**, A Salute to America at the Youngstown Historical Center of Industry and Labor.
- **Sept. 7, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.,** A Day of Reflection & Remembrance Teach In and Workshops in Rooms 2067 and 2069 in Kilcawley Center; 7 **to 9 p.m.,** Ecumenical Service and Worship, Union Baptist Church on Lincoln Avenue.
- **Sept. 8, 7 to 10 p.m.**, Open Mic Night Liberty and Lyrics, in the Ohio Room of Kilcawley Center.
- Sept. 9, 6:30 p.m., 9/11 Commemoration Dinner in the Chestnut



Room of Kilcawley Center.

• Sept. 11, 9 to 10 p.m., Candlelight Vigil on the campus core.

Thursday, Sept. 8, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Blood Drive in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center, hosted by the University Scholars. The drive will continue Friday, Sept. 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Gallery of Kilcawley.

**Thursday, Sept. 8 through Sunday, Sept. 11.** University Theater's *Reasons to be Pretty* in Bliss Hall's Spotlight Arena Theater. See News Brief below for details.

Thursday, Sept. 8. The YSU Board of Trustees meets on the following schedule in the Board Meeting Room in Tod Hall: 11:30 a.m., Luncheon (President's Conference Room, Second Floor, Tod Hall); Noon, Academic Quality and Student Success Committee; 12:30 p.m.\*, Institutional Engagement Committee; 1 p.m.\*, Intercollegiate Athletics Subcommittee; 2 p.m.\*, Collective Bargaining and Negotiation Subcommittee; 3 p.m.\*, University Affairs Committee. (\*Approximate time for start of the meeting; the meeting will start immediately following preceding committee meeting.)

**Saturday, Sept. 10, 4 p.m.** The YSU Penguins open their home football season against Valparaiso at Stambaugh Stadium.

Sunday, Sept. 11, 1 p.m. YSU women's soccer is home against Bowling Green in Stambaugh Stadium.

### Reasons to be Pretty launches theater season

University Theater's Blackbox Productions stage Neil LaBute's comedy/drama *Reasons to be Pretty* on Sept. 8 through 11 in Bliss Hall's Spotlight Arena Theater. Thursday, Friday and Saturday performances start at 7:30 p.m. The Sunday matinee performance is at 3 p.m. All seats are general admission, and patrons are encouraged to make reservations early.



Cast members pictured left to right are: Victoria Lubonovich, Daniel Temelkoff, Eric Lewis and Kaleigh Locketti Reasons to be Pretty is a love story about the impossibility of love. Greg truly adores his girlfriend, Steph, but also thinks she has a few physical imperfections. When he casually mentions them, all hell breaks loose.

The production is directed by Jessica Schmidt, a junior Theater major from Salem, Ohio. Cast members include Eric Lewis (Warren, Ohio), Kaleigh Locketti (Austintown, Ohio), Victoria Lubonovich (Youngstown, Ohio) and Daniel Temelkoff (Boardman, Ohio).

Tickets may be reserved by calling the University Theater Box Office at 330-941-3105. Ticket price for the general

public is \$5 with \$3 discount tickets available for all students (including YSU students), senior citizens and Penguin Club members. Season Ticket

coupons will be honored. Parking is available in the Wick Avenue parking deck Thursday through Saturday for a nominal fee, and on Sunday parking will be available at no charge in the parking lot next to the former Wick Pollock Inn.

#### Jewish Film Festival features five movies

The 2011 Youngstown Area Jewish Film Festival, sponsored in part by Youngstown State University's Center for Judaic and Holocaust Studies Committee, runs Thursday, Sept. 15 through Sunday, Sept. 17, along with a free bonus showing on Oct. 11.

The films will be shown at USA Cinema in the Niles Great East Plaza, the Butler Institute on Wick Avenue in Youngstown and Kilcawley Center on the YSU campus.

Myra Benedikt and Pamela Palumbo, festival co-chairs and organizers, have headed the event for several years. Along with securing a selection committee, films, venues, sponsors and publicity each year, they also have helped attract hundreds of people to the Mahoning Valley with the continuously growing event that's now a staple to the Youngstown community.

The five films featured in this year's festival include:

La Rafle (The Round Up)
Thursday, Sept. 15, 7 p.m.,
USA Cinema.

Winner of 10 Film Festival Audience Awards, *La Rafle* 

takes place in France's

Montmartre and recreates the Nazi regime's imprisonment of 13,000

Parisian Jews during 1942, as shown from the perspective of three

Jewish children and their parents.



La Rafle is one of the movies featured in this year's Jewish Film Festival.

#### A Matter of Size (Sipur Gadol)

Sunday, Sept. 18, 7 p.m., USA Cinema.

A funny and tender story that takes one 340-pound chef and his three equally plump buddies from diet drama to body bliss when they decide to become sumo wrestlers. Set in Ramle, Israel, Herzl finds a way to celebrate his life and learns, far beyond the ring, how to come into his own.

#### Le Concert (The Concert)

Wednesday, Sept. 21, 7 p.m., USA Cinema.

When one Russian conductor prodigy during the Communist regime refuses to dismiss Jewish musicians from the Bolshoi Orchestra, he gets ousted, taking on a new role as janitor for the Bolshoi instead. Thirty years later, he wants to get even. Reuniting with his rag-tag and scattered old musician friends, he pretends to be the Bolshoi and sneaks a performance at a prestigious Paris concert. *Le Concert* won Best Score at the 2010 Cesar Awards.



Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story

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Sunday, Sept. 25, 1 p.m., Butler Institute. This documentary explores the connection between baseball and Jewish Americans, along with the hardships and heroisms that come with it.

#### **Defiance**

Tuesday, Oct. 11, 5 p.m., Kilcawley Center

Free to the public, this bonus film features three brothers and their journey of resistance to the Nazis by fleeing to the Belarussian forests, building a makeshift village with 1,000 other runaways and fighting for their survival. The film will be followed by a special presentation from Zvi Bielski, son of one of the three brothers in the film.

Single tickets or festival passes can be purchased. The prices for single tickets are as follows: \$8 adult, \$7 senior, \$5 student. Festival pass prices include: \$24 adult, \$21 senior, \$15 student. Tickets can be purchased at the Jewish Community Center Bursar's Office on Gypsy Lane in Youngstown.

#### WCBA hosts executive MBA students from Brazil

Youngstown State University's Williamson College of Business Administration welcomes MBA students and faculty from the University of Sào Paulo, Brazil, for their 12th annual business-study tour, taking place Sunday, Sept. 4 through Friday, Sept. 9.

The USP MBA students, who are also retail executives, will be attending business lectures and touring local retail establishments during their stay. Participating businesses include Best Buy, Home Depot, Grove City Outlet Center, WalMart Distribution Center, Sam's Club, IKEA in Pittsburgh, and Krogers and Cabelas in W.V.

In addition, seminars on business-to-business marketing, emerging trends in marketing communication, tools for strategic decision-making, and national/international business perspectives will be presented by YSU faculty and representatives from the Regional Chamber during the Brazilian MBA students' visit.

"We are very excited about our partnership with the University of São Paulo and are looking forward to other joint ventures," said Betty Jo Licata, WCBA dean.

The initiative is part of YSU's Center of Excellence in International Business. The mission of the Center is to create a global learning environment that prepares students to be successful business leaders. It provides training, consulting and research opportunities that advance knowledge and practice in international business while also working to support the economic development of Ohio.

# **Trustees schedule September meetings**

The Youngstown State University Board of Trustees meets in September on the following schedule:

- Thursday, Sept. 8, Tod Hall, Board Meeting Room: 11:30 a.m., Luncheon (President's Conference Room, Second Floor, Tod Hall); Noon, Academic Quality and Student Success Committee; 12:30 p.m.\*, Institutional Engagement Committee; 1 p.m.\*, Intercollegiate Athletics Subcommittee; 2 p.m.\*, Collective Bargaining and Negotiation Subcommittee; 3 p.m.\*, University Affairs Committee.
- Tuesday, Sept. 13, Tod Hall, Board Meeting Room: Noon, Luncheon (President's Conference Room, Second Floor, Tod Hall); 1 p.m., Investment Subcommittee; 1:30 p.m.\*, Audit Subcommittee; 2:30 p.m.\*, Finance and Facilities Committee; 3:30 p.m., Trusteeship Committee; 4:30 p.m.\*, Executive Committee.
- Tuesday, Sept. 27, Tod Hall, Board Meeting Room: 3 p.m., regular quarterly board meeting.

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