

ILLUSTRATION BY KEVIN BUCK AND PARIS CHRISOPOULOS/THE JAMBAR.

## Campus organizations go mobile

Kevin Alquist  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The Youngstown State University Student Government Association and Rookery Radio are developing separate mobile apps to help students stay connected to campus this semester.

SGA recently partnered with OOHLALA Mobile to customize an app that allows student organizations to communicate more easily.

Any student or student organization can download OOHLALA for free on an iPhone or Android.

Cory Okular, SGA president, said when OOHLALA expressed its desire to expand its product into the U.S., he was anxious to get involved.

Okular described the app as a social networking device that localizes itself for the needs of a specific organization. He said he uses the app to keep up with what's happening on campus.

"The reason we got into it is because if [SGA] or any other student organization has an event, it can immediately be posted on OOHLALA, and everybody will be able to see that and organize it into their schedule," Okular said.

Okular said 25 student groups at YSU are registered with OOHLALA. He said he hopes to expand on the app by taking part in a global Halloween costume contest where individuals post a picture of their costume. Whoever receives the most "likes" will win a trip to the Caribbean.

"The costume contest is a good way to get more groups and individuals to participate in the application," Okular said.

YSU was one of the first universities in the U.S. to partner with OOHLALA. Kent State University was also part of the group of schools that initially partnered with OOHLALA in May.

Rookery Radio is developing another app that aims to connect with students.

Though Rookery Radio is available on mobile phones through SHOUTcast Radio, a mobile radio app developed by AOL, the new app will allow listeners to access the station

MOBILE PAGE 3

# Promises and problems

## Veterans still face America's challenges

James Toliver  
REPORTER

Homelessness and unemployment rates higher than the national average are among the challenges facing veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces who are transitioning back into civilian life.

On Sept. 28, the Youngstown State University Board of Trustees approved a new location for the Office of Veterans Affairs that will help veterans ease into the university setting.

The center will be built on the grounds of the demolished Peck House on Wick Avenue.

According to the initial fall 2012 full-time enrollment report by the Office of Institutional Research and

Policy Analysis, 330 veterans are enrolled at YSU.

YSU President Cynthia Anderson lent her support to the new veterans center.

"Our idea was to have a place where a veteran could go to get advised, apply, register, get their GI Bill information and maybe even be able to have some community agencies there to help them out with any other needs," Anderson said.

Anderson said the new office will be "a great addition" to the campus — and one that is "a long time coming."

James Olive, the program manager for YSU's Office of Veterans Affairs, said veterans need the center to help them succeed in their academic careers.

Olive added that the office offers

"a center for studying and networking, one-on-one time, and personal attention and availability to address any concerns that veterans may have."

"It is a debt owed by our society, in particularly all [institutes of higher learning] and of those particularly public institutions," he said.

Neil Anthonsen, a retired petty officer second class, enlisted in the U.S. Navy on Sept. 6, 2001. After being discharged in 2006, Anthonsen said he is just now getting adjusted to civilian life and to YSU.

Highlighting the lengths that YSU goes to assist veterans, Anthonsen said, "It's excellent at YSU. I transferred from Kent State, and it's so much better here."

# Dating down, hooking up

Sarah Perrine  
REPORTER

From cave paintings to the big screen, experts say sex has taken center stage in entertainment and other media, challenging traditional standards of love and intimacy.

"Sexual Hookup Culture: A Review," published in the June issue of the Review of General Psychology, examined contemporary relationship studies and views of casual sex.

Justin Garcia, who co-wrote the review and holds degrees in biomedical anthropology and biological sciences from Binghamton University, said traditional dating is becoming less common among college-aged individuals.

"We see so few first dates among college students, but there is a large desire to have those intimate relationships," he said.

Instead of getting to know someone over a cup of coffee, many young adults are likely to skip courting rituals and lead off with sex.

He also found the stereotype that men want sex more than women was greatly exaggerated.

The study showed that the sexual motive for men and

women was the same: sexual gratification.

"This defies evolutionary behaviors and challenges these notions," Garcia said.

Michael Clayton, an assistant professor of psychology at Youngstown State University, said many students struggle with the concept.

"Sometimes, our culture has a hard time seeing females being as active as males," he said. "We seem to think of females as less forward and less assertive."

He said this mindset seems to be ingrained in our culture, but research suggests it's a myth.

Clayton said that, in contemporary culture, the number of men and women seeking degrees are equal, and women are quickly creeping into fields that were mainly dominated by men.

"Females at this age are more goal-driven, generally, than males," he said. "Females are always a couple years more mature than males, and so females are actually not that different than males."

The nature of women being more goal-driven, especially in school, also relates to their participation in hook-up culture. Clayton explained that many women may hook up to



Ryan Brdek and Hope Hrabowy, juniors majoring in civil engineering, hold hands while walking through campus. The couple defy the trend, saying they began dating before being intimate. Photo by Chris Cotelesse/The Jambar.

satisfy needs while not letting a relationship get in the way of their educational goals.

"Originally, when people learned about the hook-up culture, people were afraid for females: that men would take advantage of females in college," he said. "Then, over five years, people found that females are active participants in this, and initiating this to

get needs met they have without distracting them from their goals."

Changing gender roles and attitudes toward sex are reflected in the media.

Garcia said movies like "No Strings Attached" and "Friends with Benefits," which portray casual sex, both demonstrate and promote a proclivity toward the act.

Matthew Colon Diaz — a graduate student in sociology at the University at Buffalo — said these changes are amplified on college campuses.

"There is a notion that 'everyone is doing it,' which is primarily not the case when looking at the U.S. as a whole, where a surprisingly large

SEX PAGE 3

## University preps for trauma training

Kacy Standohar  
NEWS EDITOR

About 30 staff members from various campus and off-campus departments spent the past three days preparing for the worst.

Attendees gathered this week in the Youngstown State University police station for critical response training from the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators.

Youngstown 911, the Youngstown Fire Department, the State Highway Patrol, the Mahoning County Sheriff's Department and the FBI were among those represented at the training classes.

"Just about every major organization on and off campus is here to respond to a critical incident or disaster," said Mike Cretella, deputy chief of the YSU Police Department.

The classes, funded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, took place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday. It was the first time that the class had been hosted at



On Wednesday, Steve Gahagans, chief of police for the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, demonstrates the importance of limited resources during a critical incident by using coffee cans to represent safe drinking water. Photo by Kacy Standohar/The Jambar.

YSU.

Cretella said the training helps the university develop partnerships with different agencies.

"We'll all know what each of us expects from one another," Cretella said. "It's good to see them periodically for contact information."

Eric Plummer, system chief of police at Southern Arkansas University, has

taught 14 courses at various universities across the country, and he said the group has been analyzing previous case studies.

"We see what they did, what they did right and what they could improve upon next time," Plummer said.

Plummer said it is important to use resources effectively in case of a disaster on campus.

"Universities are like cities in themselves, and, much of the time, we have to be self-sufficient," Plummer said. "What happens is that we can't rely on the city's response, because if we have a critical incident on our campus, it's typically going to affect the city in which we reside anyway. The city will have their resources tied up."

Plummer also said other university officials directly involved with the students need to be informed and aware.

"We need to work with resident assistants and directors in case we ever need to evacuate," he said. "It is important they understand what incident command system is."

Plummer said the most known incidents are earthquakes, fires, tornadoes, suicides, deaths and campus shootings. But they all carry the same weight, and they all require preparation.

"If we train, we can mitigate those and reduce the effect that they have on the institution," he said. "[This could] minimize the impact on the institution's reputation."

Addressing an incident with a faster and more efficient response could reduce the amount of days the university would need to cancel classes.

"Administrators need to know that they don't manage the incident. That's our job," Plummer said. "They manage the impact of the incident on the institution."

## ProPublica partners with The News Outlet

Rachel Lundberg  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

This semester, The News Outlet at Youngstown State University will collaborate with ProPublica, an independent newsroom that produces investigative journalism. The collaboration is the first of its kind between ProPublica and a college journalism program.

Stephen Engelberg, the managing editor of ProPublica, met with journalism students enrolled in the Advanced News Reporting course and News Outlet interns to discuss their next project, Dollars for Docs.

"One of the nice things about getting out to a journalism school is to see how much enthusiasm and energy there still is for people to go into this field," Engelberg said.

ProPublica has done prior work on Dollars for Docs. YSU students involved in the collaboration will localize the ProPublica research by investigating area doctors and health care.

Most of the collaboration has been through technological means, and Wednesday's visit was Engelberg's first time at YSU. He doesn't know if he will have another chance to come back, but said he will continue communication through Skype.

"It's an interesting experiment for us," Engelberg said.

Alyssa Lenhoff, co-director of The News Outlet and director of the journalism program at YSU, worked to set up this fall's ProPublica collaboration.



(Left to right) Tim Francisco, an assistant professor of English; Stephen Engelberg, managing editor of ProPublica; and Caitlin Cook, a journalism student, discuss the collaboration between the news website and YSU. Photo by Dustin Livesay/The Jambar.

Tim Francisco, co-director of The News Outlet and an assistant professor of English, suggested the idea to Lenhoff in the spring. After contacting Engelberg to propose the idea, Lenhoff flew to New York City, where ProPublica is located, to convince Engelberg to participate.

"I like the fact that Alyssa and Tim Francisco always come up with

ideas to keep the department fresh," said Jay Horkey, a junior journalism major.

This semester, the Advanced News Reporting course is being run through The News Outlet. Students in the class will have three projects to work on.

They are at the tail end of their first project, a look into local nurs-

ing homes. Next is Dollars for Docs, which will be the main focus of the ProPublica collaboration. Lenhoff said the last project in the class is still undetermined.

"[ProPublica has] been incredible," Lenhoff said. "We feel very fortunate and honored, and I think it's an awesome opportunity for the students and the university."

## Think Pink Treasure Hunt makes its debut

Taylor Phillips  
REPORTER

The Zeta Tau Alpha sisters held their first Think Pink Treasure Hunt in Kilcawley Center on Wednesday.

Sophomore Melissa Charles said she came up with the idea for the treasure hunt.

"It's good to raise awareness as well as get people

excited about our [Pink Ribbon] Cheer Classic on Oct. 28," she said.

Charles said the sorority will host "a little event each week leading up to" the Pink Ribbon Cheer Classic, "just to get people involved." The Classic will be held in Beeghly Center.

In order to complete the treasure hunt, participants had to give a pink ribbon to a stranger and take a

photo of it, donate money to the Hairy Mugs for Jugs program in the Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, and take a photo of the "Think Pink"-themed Rock, among other activities.

Participants were also asked three true/false questions at the end of the treasure hunt.

"The true-and-false questions are just to give a little

more insight as to facts about breast cancer," Charles said.

Other upcoming events include a campus Pink Out Day, during which the sisters will wear pink, and a bagel-eating contest, which the sorority members organized with the help of Panera Bread. In addition, this year's Pink Out Day shirts will read, "Protect your treasured chests."

Charles said it is important to raise awareness for breast cancer.

"Pretty much everyone you meet has been affected by breast cancer in one way or another," Charles said. "It's so prominent in women and even now in men. We just want to make sure everyone is aware, and [that] at a young age they start to become aware of breast cancer."

**CLASSIFIEDS**

**ART OPENING:**  
Saturday October 20th  
6:30 PM- 10 PM  
Out of the Box - "ABSTRACT INTERPRETATIONS - LOVE IN ALL ITS FORMS".  
Metamorphosis Art Cooperative  
2 State Street, Struthers, Ohio  
44471 330-787-1994  
Shared Studio/Gallery/Shop/ Workshop  
A Creative outlet, a place for buying, selling, showing, and creating art. Seeking artist/members.

**HOUSING**

**LICENSED AND INSPECTED BIG HOUSES, SMALL PRICES**  
Nice 4-bedroom homes for your group. Includes all utilities, appliances, ADT, cable & internet. From \$415.00 per person. Call Chris 330-743-7368  
.....  
Apartment for rent:  
Very clean, nice neighborhood. ☺  
\$250 plus utilities. For more information call 330-743-3887

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

Infertility is heartbreaking! We help dreams come true, and now you can be a part of that miracle! Egg donors are needed. We pay \$5,000 to women ages 21-32 who donate their eggs to help our patients become parents. Interested in being a donor? Have questions? Call us today! 330-375-3596 Women helping women. Private and Confidential.  
.....

Warren City Schools requests applications for Activity Leader for after school program at Willard and Jefferson Schools. 6th-8th grade, 3 hours a day, 4 days a week \$10.95 an hour. Please contact jill.merolla@neomin.org for information or call 330-841-2321 x7220.

**JAMBAR STAFF**

- EDITOR-IN-CHIEF:**  
Chris Cotelesse.....330-941-1991
- MANAGING EDITOR:**  
Jordan D. Uhl.....330-941-1807
- SENIOR COPY EDITOR:**  
Emmalee C. Torisk....330-941-3758
- NEWS EDITOR:**  
Kacy Standohar.....330-941-1989
- MULTIMEDIA EDITOR:**  
Joe Catullo Jr.....330-941-1913
- ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR:**  
Marissa McIntyre.....330-941-1913
- SPORTS EDITOR:**  
Steve Wilaj.....330-941-1913
- WEB MANAGER:**  
Daniel MacMurphy.....330-941-1807
- DESIGN EDITORS:**  
Kevin Buck.....330-941-1807  
Paris Chrisopoulos.....330-941-1807
- SALES MANAGER:**  
Jeff Mamounis.....330-941-1990
- COPY EDITOR:**  
Lacey Arnold.....330-941-1913
- ASSISTANT COPY EDITORS:**  
Jenna Medina.....330-941-1913  
Cassandra Twoey.....330-941-1913
- ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR:**  
Kevin Alquist.....330-941-1989  
Rachel Lundberg.....330-941-1989
- ASSISTANT MULTIMEDIA EDITORS:**  
Dustin Livesay.....330-941-1913  
Josh Medore.....330-941-1913
- ASSISTANT WEB MANAGER:**  
Cassandra Ohlin.....330-941-1913
- ASSISTANT DESIGNER:**  
Keeley Black.....330-941-1807
- AD SALES ASSISTANTS:**  
Anthony DiPiero.....330-941-1990  
Arbin Shrestha.....330-941-1990
- SPORTS REPORTER:**  
Cory Bartek.....330-941-1913
- GENERAL ASSIGNMENT REPORTERS:**  
Justin Carissimo.....330-941-1913  
James Toliver.....330-941-1913  
Taylor Phillips.....330-941-1913
- COLUMNIST:**  
David Roberts.....330-941-1913
- RECEPTIONIST:**  
Alyssa Italiano.....330-941-3095
- BUSINESS MANAGER:**  
Mary Dota.....330-941-3094
- ADVISER:**  
Mary Beth Earnhardt.330-941-3095

**CONTACT THE JAMBAR**

EMAIL..... thejambar@gmail.com  
FAX.....330-941-2322

**NEWS BRIEFS**

*YSU team takes first in national energy challenge*

A 15-member team from YSU beat out 18 other universities, including Penn State University and Purdue University, to win first prize in the national Green Energy Challenge competition, held in Las Vegas. It was the third consecutive year that YSU participated in and placed in the challenge, which is sponsored by the National Electrical Contractors Association and ELECTRI International. YSU's NECA Chapter placed third in 2010 and second in 2011. The team's award-winning energy plan was designed for the Youngstown Historical Center of Industry and Labor, located on Wood Street in Youngstown. For its first-place finish, the YSU NECA Chapter team won a \$2,000 cash prize. For more information on the Green Energy Challenge, visit <http://blog.necaconvention.org/tag/green-energy-challenge>.

*'Calculus: The Musical' marks 10th year of MathFest*

YSU's annual MathFest — which includes a variety of math-related workshops and contests — is scheduled for Oct. 18, and "Calculus: The Musical," a comic and musical review about the history and development of calculus, will be performed at 1 p.m. Approximately 400 students and teachers from area high schools will attend MathFest, which is coordinated by Angela Spalsbury, an associate professor of mathematics and statistics at YSU. MathFest is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by the YSU Student Government Association; the YSU College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics; and the YSU Department of Mathematics and Statistics.

**POLICE BRIEFS**

*Friday begins with student's arrest*

On Friday morning, YSU Police arrested a student in a Maag Library classroom for an active warrant out of Boardman. The student was searched, handcuffed and transported to the YSU police station. At the department, YSU Police photographed the student and transported him to the Mahoning County Jail.

*Student has seizure in Lincoln*

Around 1:30 p.m. on Friday, a university police officer reported to the second floor of Lincoln Hall in regards to a male student having a seizure. When he arrived on the scene, the student was on the floor and nonresponsive, despite being conscious and breathing. An ambulance transported the student to Northside Medical Center.

**SEX PAGE 1**

amount of people will report abstinence well into their 20s," Diaz said.

He said college students are almost expected to experiment.

"Sexual freedom is a part of the college experience within the life course," Diaz said.

As young people spend more time away from parental supervision, they want to explore that freedom.

"In recent decades, young adults have become accustomed to enjoying their 20s and delaying marriage until personal goals of education and financial security are met," Diaz said.

Tina Hamett, a junior at YSU, said her generation hooks up to fulfill physical needs without getting bogged down by commitment.

"I feel it takes a lot of work and well spent time that I could put towards work and school," she said. "To me, a committed relationship is too much of a hassle in college."

However, Diaz said that more sex doesn't mean the end of intimate relationships.

"Even though casual encounters may be a common occurrence, people still report expecting to be married and have a family, just at a later age than in the past," he said.

**MOBILE PAGE 1**

from its own platform.

Nancy Barker, program director for Rookery Radio, said once the station changes to SAM Broadcaster, a Special Communications product used by ESPN and CBS Radio, Rookery Radio will no longer be available through SHOUT-cast.

Adam Earnhardt, adviser for Rookery Radio, said he hopes the software change will make the app available by November.

"The version we have has its limitations with what we can program," Earnhardt said. "The new system is more robust and has more features. SAM Broadcaster is industry standard software."

The new system includes an automated player on the Rookery Radio website, which means that the listener will not have to leave the website to listen to the station — something that has caused problems in the past.

"This new system will be tailored specifically for us," Earnhardt said.

**got an opinion?**

Send letters to:  
[thejambar@gmail.com](mailto:thejambar@gmail.com)

**COATES**  
CAR CARE INC.

"For All Your Car Caring Needs"

**JIM COATES JR.**  
President

**CAR WASH LOCATIONS**

- HOWLAND** - 1210 Niles-Cortland Rd.
- AUSTINTOWN** - 5243 Mahoning Ave.
- HERMITAGE** - 379 South Hermitage Rd
- NILES** - 59 Youngstown-Warren Rd.

Main Office: 330-652-6341

**CANFIELD HAUNTED HOUSE & HAYRIDE**

at the  
**CANFIELD SCAREGROUNDS (Fairgrounds) in Canfield, Ohio**

7265 Columbiana-Canfield Rd.

Three Tremulously, Scary  
**HALLOWEEN ATTRACTIONS**

Sept. 21st thru Oct. 28th

Fri. & Sat. 7-midnight

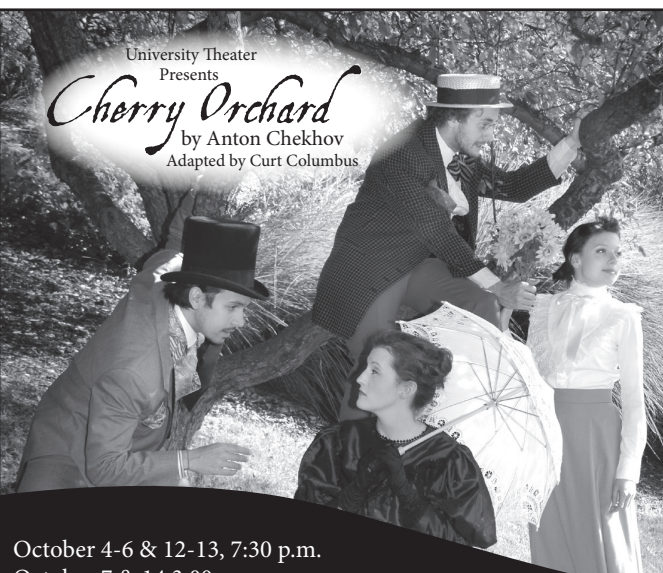
Sun. 7-10

Featuring the "MIST"

[canfieldscaregrounds.net](http://canfieldscaregrounds.net)

**\$2.00 OFF**

Present this Coupon for \$2 Off for each person in your entire group.



University Theater Presents  
*Cherry Orchard*  
by Anton Chekhov  
Adapted by Curt Columbus

October 4-6 & 12-13, 7:30 p.m.  
October 7 & 14 3:00 p.m.  
Spotlight Arena Theater, Bliss Hall  
Reservations call 330-941-3105

**Youngstown**  
STATE UNIVERSITY

**COLUMBIANA MAZE CRAZE**

Fun for the whole family

[www.ColumbianaMazeCraze.com](http://www.ColumbianaMazeCraze.com)  
Open Sept. 14 thru Nov. 4  
Wed. 5-8 (Oct. Only); Mon.-Tues.-Thurs. Closed

45107 State Route 14  
Columbiana, OH 44408  
Corner of Rts. 7 & 14  
**330.482.9904**

20 ACRES OVER 7 MILES OF MAZE

**4 Separate Mazes - 18 Checkpoints**  
**NEW - GEMSTONE MINING ATTRACTION**

- Straw Tower • Corn Box • Corn Hole
- Swingset • Hayrides
- Barrel Train Rides
- Concessions by G&G

**FEAR FOREST**  
**HAUNTED HOUSE & HAYRIDE**

**fearforest.com (330) 824-3141**

MARC'S  
Fun for your money!

LAMAR

Facebook icon

## Local beatboxer brings battle to Youngstown



Ludovic Nicolaidis, also known as LethalFX, makes his living as a beatboxer. He said he hopes to bring more attention to beatboxing as an art form through planning the first Midwest Beatbox Battle, which will be held at the Lemon Grove on Friday. Photo courtesy of Ludovic Nicolaidis.

**Marissa McIntyre**  
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT  
EDITOR

Ludovic Nicolaidis, a Youngstown native, is gathering kindred spirits for the first Midwest Beatbox Battle on Friday at the Lemon Grove.

Beatboxing is a vocal art form that started by mimicking drumbeats. As it has evolved, electronic elements and live looping have been incorporated.

Nicolaidis has been beatboxing for eight years. He derived his stage name, LethalFX, from his Xbox Live screen name.

He said the competition is a way for beatboxers to come together.

"It's going to be like a family reunion," he said.

Nicolaidis said beatboxing is important to him because it's his creative outlet and the way he makes his living.

He said he hopes people

can look beyond any misconceptions to see the art in his passion.

"A lot of people think the battle is just about talking crap, but it's not about that," Nicolaidis said. "It's about making beats and really getting all the beatboxers together."

On Thursday, the day before the battle, the Lemon Grove will feature performances from both local beatboxers and those from Chicago, Texas, Pennsylvania and other areas.

Youngstown State University student Justin Mullane is performing and competing in the battle as well.

Mullane performs under the stage name Prometheus or Pro. He said he got the idea from a character in Greek mythology who brought fire to humankind.

Nicolaidis and Mullane met through mutual friends, and they've performed together before.

"I went to him for pointers," Mullane said.

When the two beatbox together, they have individual strategies. Nicolaidis stretches his mouth and then mocks a guitar being strummed through an amplifier, while Mullane deepens his voice and mocks a bass guitar.

"Beatboxing is like a mimic," Nicolaidis said. "Just listen to songs, and try to mimic the guitar. Then, try to add the bass."

Nicolaidis got the idea for a Midwest Beatbox Battle when he attended the American Beatbox Championships in New York. He would like to have the Midwest battle become an annual event.

Terry Lewis, one of the judges who goes by the name Kid Lucky, is another Youngstown native. Other judges are Yuri Lane and JFlo.

Lewis said he is excited to return to Youngstown for the battle.

"My role is looking for creativity," Lewis said. "If you've gotten this far, we know you can beatbox, but what can you

do with it?"

He said the beatboxing scene in New York, where he lives now, is different than the scene in Youngstown.

"We have a whole lot of beatboxing in theater and performing arts," he said. "[In] Youngstown, you'll mostly see it in the clubs."

They will judge the battlers based on originality, stage presence, crowd reaction and flow.

"The battling is for fun, but the event is to unify everyone's beats," Nicolaidis said.

Mullane said he enjoys incorporating looping synthesizers and other electronic effects into his stage show.

"A lot of people ask me if I'm a robot and I of course tell them, 'Yes,'" Mullane said.

He said he's not sure that beatboxing alone will pay the bills in the future, but he said he hopes music will.

Mullane said he likes to incorporate the different effects because he has a diverse taste in music. He is also in a reg-

gae band.

Nicolaidis, though, beatboxes for a living and performs at least four times a month.

"I don't know that beatboxing can ever go mainstream, but if I can live comfortably with it, I'm OK with that," Nicolaidis said.

Mullane agrees that beatboxing is more for fun, but encourages others to give it a chance.

"If people don't like it, don't worry about it," Mullane said. "When you start, you will get to a point where people will listen."

Nicolaidis said originality is key in beatboxing.

"When people find what makes them original, then they'll be able to keep someone's attention," Nicolaidis said.

They both said they hope the word about beatboxing gets out to the public to the point that people ask them to drop a beat.

## YSU's colleges communicate through social media

**facebook** Search for people, places and things Home

**Youngstown State University**

Update Status Add Photo / Video Ask Question

What's on your mind?

**'We need to be where people are'**

**Beth Shiller**  
REPORTER

To keep in better touch with students, some of Youngstown State University's colleges are logging into Facebook.

Bryan DePoy, dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts, said it's an effective approach since most college students use Facebook daily.

"Our primary goal of using Facebook is to utilize a relevant and tested means to reach a broad audience regarding our college's activities and news," DePoy said.

Justin Edwards, an adviser who helps manage the College of Fine and Performing Arts' Facebook page, said Facebook goes beyond providing updates like a digital bulletin board.

"We feel that this outlet is important to give students an online community to feel more connected to the college," Edwards said. "We also use the Facebook page to share upcoming information about performances and connect with alumni."

Facebook has become so prominent that a department within the College of Fine and Performing Arts has even made it part of the curriculum.

"We recently added a social media campaigns minor in our communication department to help students understand how to use Facebook as a marketing and communication tool," Edwards said.

The minor teaches students how to maximize their presence on social media and strategize about how to use it effectively.

Martin Abraham, dean of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, said Facebook is an important tool the college uses to reach students.

"How else does one communicate in the modern society?" Abraham asked.

But not every YSU student wants to be so connected to the university.

Junior Tricia Day said she doesn't want to mix her "personal life with her school life," while senior John Monroe said he doesn't check Facebook "often enough for it to be reliable."

However, Cary Horvath, associate dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts, said the college will continue to communicate with the help of Facebook.

"The reason is simple: We need to be where people are," she said.

**Mutual Friends (31)**

**Sponsored** See All

Like This Page

## Just do it

### RELATED STORY SEX, PAGE 1

Between work and school, it can be hard to fit the commitment of a serious relationship into a student's schedule.

Add to that the freedom of living on one's own for the first time and a healthy dose of sexual hormones, and you get a recipe for hook ups.

According to "Sexual Hookup Culture: A Review," published in the June issue of the Review of General Psychology, our generation tends to skip the hassles of dating.

And why not? Girlfriends cost money, and boyfriends ask too many questions.

Serious relationships are treated as training for marriage, but most college students are too young, and half of all marriages end in divorce anyway.

Your college years would be better spent enjoying your independence and developing your own goals and personality rather than just being half of "that couple."

Don't let your peers or parents pressure you into dating someone because they think it's expected.

If you're like this editorial board, you've probably been involved with someone who wasn't right for you. And if you're like this editorial board, you probably stayed with him or her too long because you thought you were supposed to.

We're giving you permission to do what you think is best.

It's your life, and you get only one. So don't waste it trying to make yourself into someone else's image.

We're not endorsing promiscuity.  
Choose your partners wisely!

And we're not endorsing carelessness.

Always use protection, and always get consent!

But if you're happier being unattached, we wish you the best.



# Romney still running away from Massachusetts plan

*Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* (MCT)

Of the many political conversion experiences that former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney has undergone, none rival his evolving views on health care. While governor, Romney pushed for a plan that ended up being the model for the Affordable Care Act — Obamacare.

Now, while still bragging about what he did in Massachusetts, he promises to repeal and replace Obamacare with ... And that's the problem.

"The general approach is there," Nina Owcharenko, a policy analyst with the Heritage Foundation, a conservative policy and research organization told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel's Guy Boulton. "But the details — I guess we will just have to wait and see."

"Wait and see" may be good politics in the middle of a tight election, but it isn't good enough for voters. Romney's policies now (if he really believes them) would not expand coverage and, in fact, might lead to fewer insured people.

Romney favors a state-by-state approach, which we think inevitably leads to inequity. Even if we bought the idea that a patchwork of programs was best, the Massachusetts experience is not that instructive.

Massachusetts drew on state

money from a tax on providers, employers and insurers. The Bay State also relied on federal Medicaid money (and Romney backs a House budget that would limit future growth in Medicaid spending). And Massachusetts is a relatively affluent state with a small percentage of people without health insurance. Southern states, in particular, with their large numbers of uninsured people, would have to increase taxes, perhaps substantially, to do what Massachusetts did.

The main elements of Romney's plan:

Health insurance plans bought by individuals would be tax deductible. We favor this, but it would not expand coverage that much because lower income people generally pay very little — or no — federal income tax.

Public-private partnerships, exchanges, subsidies to help the uninsured, high-risk pools for people who suffer from chronic conditions, coverage for people with pre-existing conditions. But there are scant details on how any of this would work.

Tort reform. By all means, let's limit defensive medicine practiced simply to avoid a lawsuit. But most studies show it only accounts for a small fraction of total health care spending, about 2.4% or \$55.6 billion in 2008 dollars. "As a percent of the total, it's not going to change the system," Robert Laszewski, a consultant and former health insurance executive, told Boulton.

Selling insurance across state lines. We'd favor the idea conceptually, but there is evidence that it may not do much to lower costs. In three states that allow the practice, the laws have been unsuccessful, a recent brief by the Center on Health Insurance Reform at Georgetown University shows.

Allowing small business to form purchasing pools, such as association health plans. There is almost no value in such ideas, experts say. "We already buy insurance in bulk," Laszewski said. "It's called Blue Cross. It's called UnitedHealthcare. ... When we talk about selling insurance across state lines and association health plans as solutions, insurance executives laugh out loud," he added.

Medicaid block grants. While we favor giving states more wiggle room for experimentation in this federal-state program, there is a legitimate fear that a block grant approach means less money over time for insuring the poor, disabled and aged.

Romney had the right idea in Massachusetts, but the hard right turn taken by his party forced him to put that idea back on the shelf and pick from an old Republican wish list. What he's left with is a bag full of stale ideas.

Obamacare is far from perfect. It expanded coverage massively without fully dealing with health care's cost beyond theoretical arguments. Nonetheless, the best approach is to salvage the Affordable Care Act — not throw it out.

# America's dilemma: Not all employment is created equal

*Philadelphia Daily News* (MCT)

Last week's news that unemployment dropped to 7.8 percent prompted a form of schizophrenia among some conservatives who asserted that the numbers weren't that good, and also that they had been fabricated to help President Obama.

Former GE chairman Jack Welch claimed Obama's team had somehow cooked the books. His proof? Welch said he talks with a lot of business leaders, and they tell him they aren't hiring.

Turns out there's a reason for that. There are two surveys that contribute to a jobs report like Friday's. One includes businesses, the kind of people Welch talks with. It showed meager growth, 114,000 sector jobs, in line with an economy that's slogging along.

The other is a survey of households, the kind of people Welch does not talk with, unless they are 20-bedroom households. The good news: This one showed more people looking for work, a good sign, and more people finding work. The bad news: It was mostly

part-time work.

Conservatives are right to question the strength of the recovery in the private sector. The jobs generated are barely enough to keep the tepid recovery above water. Jobs are concentrated in low-wage areas like retail and hospitality, or the bottom rungs of health care.

This is part of a bigger, knottier picture: Many economists no longer believe our slow growth and sticky unemployment problem are part of a business cycle. They believe we have major structural problems in our economy — obstacles that will make it tougher to add jobs down the road, and that will keep the number of unemployed and underemployed at 23 million, unacceptably high.

Take start-ups, traditionally the real engine of job growth. Today's start-ups do not want or need as many new employees. In today's highly technological and cloud-based world, entrepreneurs can keep overhead extremely low. There's no brick, no mortar, and often no benefits for the people who do get hired. More employees tend to be independent contractors, and part time. The average number of workers per new business started dropping in 2001,

and during that time total start-up employment has dropped from 4.5 million per year to 2.5 million.

Our problems are new, and vexing, and our presidential candidates have offered little creative thinking here. In last week's debates, both candidates had 15 minutes to talk about jobs, and we heard no new ideas — moderator Jim Lehrer wasn't the only one asleep. Old ideas — about tax cuts, training, trade deals — don't match up with our new problems.

Speaking of new problems, there was a strange and inexplicable number in Friday's report. For the first time in recent history, September employment showed a rise for those age 20-24. Traditionally employment in this group declines as students head back to college. No one has explained this number, but one economist offered some theories — these folks are not going back to college because they can't afford to, or are working their way through school to sidestep the kind of debt that has crushed their peers and their parents.

This could be the most hopeful sign in the jobs report — that people aren't waiting for Washington to set sensible policy. They are setting their own.

TheJambar.com



# Where's the D?

## Struggling defense hinders YSU



A swarm of Penguins defenders surround the University of Northern Iowa's Sawyer Kollmorgen (17) in YSU's 42-35 victory on Sept. 22. Photo by Dustin Livesay/The Jambar.

Steve Wilaj  
SPORTS EDITOR

Back in August, before Youngstown State University began its 2012 football season, Penguins defensive captain Aronde Stanton made a bold statement about his unit.

Commenting on the critics doubting the YSU defense, Stanton said, "We'll use that [criticism] as motivation to show people that we can be a championship defense. And we will be this year."

Although the Penguins hold a 4-1 record, it's obvious that the defense is playing nowhere near a championship caliber. Just check the statistics.

Out of the 10 Missouri Valley Football Conference teams, YSU ranks sixth in total defense — allowing 343 yards per game — and seventh in points allowed — allowing 24.8 points per game. The Penguins are also last in pass defense, opponent third-down conversions and interceptions.

Furthermore, after allowing only 17 points through the first two games, YSU has given up point totals of 24, 35 and 48.

The 48-point allowance to North Dakota State University left first-year defensive

coordinator Joe Tresey pacing the Fargo, N.D., airport. He also looked the part of a man leading a struggling defense, sporting a sloppy suit, an undone necktie and messy hair.

"Frankly, they didn't run anything we didn't expect them to run," head football coach Eric Wolford said about NDSU in Tuesday's press conference.

With realizations like this, it is easy to see why Tresey is so stressed over his defense. However, Wolford has confidence that the unit will improve.

"I feel much better about where we are at corner ... and I feel good about [our linebackers]," he said. "And I think our defensive line needs to be motivated a bit. But I have all the confidence that [defensive line coach] Tom Sims has their attention right now."

Also at the forefront of YSU's attention is No. 14-ranked Illinois State University (4-1). The No. 8-ranked Penguins will play the Redbirds at 2:04 p.m. on Saturday.

Senior offensive tackle Andrew Radakovich said the team is refocused as it heads into its third straight game against a ranked opponent.

"We got a little cocky, and [NDSU] caught us slipping," he said. "I don't think that will happen to us again because of the

lesson we learned."

Like the Penguins, the Redbirds will try to bounce back following their first loss of the season to Southern Illinois University.

"Much like us, I expect them to rebound and get a great effort from their football team," Wolford said.

Led by quarterback Matt Brown and running back Darrelynn Dunn, ISU is averaging 33 points per game and 422 yards per game. On the opposite side of the ball, the Redbirds rank second in the MVFC in total defense.

"They'll give some different [defensive] looks," tight end Will Shaw said. "They do a little stand up with the ends and move some guys around."

While YSU knows that the Redbirds' defense poses a tough test, Shaw said the Penguins first have to regain their identity.

"We have to do what we do best," he said.

And what is it that the YSU offense does best?

"It's representative of where we're from," Radakovich said. "Youngstown's not a fancy place, but we're hardworking. We're going to hit you in the mouth and keep hitting you until you quit, and we can't let teams get us out of that."

### SPORTS BRIEFS

#### Perry, Eargle honored by HL

At the Horizon League's 2012-2013 media day near Chicago, junior guard Kendrick Perry was named Preseason All-Horizon League First-Team and senior forward Damian Eargle earned Preseason Second-Team honors. In addition, the YSU men's basketball team was predicted to finish fourth, behind Valparaiso University, the University of Detroit Mercy and the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. Perry led the league in scoring (16.8 points per game) and steals (2.4 steals per game) in conference play; he was also the circuit's top scorer in all games. He tied for the league lead with a 1.9 assist-to-turnover ratio. Eargle ranked third nationally with 3.7 blocks per game last season; he averaged 11.1 points per game and ranked third in the league with 7.5 rebounds per game. He also owns the HL career league-games blocks record with 122.

#### Women's golf takes third in RMU classic

The YSU women's golf team finished third out of five teams at the Robert Morris University Colonial Classic, which concluded on Tuesday. The Penguins ended with a two-round total of 656, with scores of 328 and 328. Siena College won the tournament with a score of 637, RMU took second with a 656 and Niagara University was fourth with a 666. Freshman Emily Rohanna was the top finisher for YSU, placing seventh; she ended with a 163 for the event. The Penguins will next compete in the MAC Invitational in Nashport, Ohio.

# Men's basketball endures 'boot camp'

Steve Wilaj  
SPORTS EDITOR

For Jerry Slocum, Youngstown State University's men's basketball head coach, this fall has been his "most enjoyable" as a Penguin.

However, the early fall season hasn't been as kind to the YSU players — all thanks to Slocum.

From Sept. 24 to Sept. 28, Slocum directed a "boot camp" for his team. The conditioning program included waking at 5 a.m., being on the court at 6 a.m., flipping 400-pound tires, pulling sleds and, well, you get the picture.

It's been 12 days since boot camp ended, and the Penguins are still sensitive about the subject.

"I don't want to talk about it," said senior forward Damian Eargle, laughing.

Junior forward Kamren Belin described it in one word: rough.

And senior point guard Blake Allen gave a wide smile before saying, "It's definitely a tough, mentally draining week."

Still, the players know that boot camp had its positives.

"It built character along the way," Belin said. "It definitely brought us closer together."

Allen said, "We were really able to rev up our conditioning with the workouts. After that, we're in pretty good shape."

Or, as Eargle summed it up: "It was bad. It was horrible. But it was good in its own way."

The Penguins are hopeful that boot camp goes a long

way in improving on their 16-15 record in 2011-2012.

As a result of last season, YSU was selected fourth in the preseason Horizon League polls, the highest the Penguins have ever been selected.

"I think it's a direct result of a program that has longed for some respect," Slocum said. "I think we played our way into that respect last year."

From last year's team, the Penguins lost starters Ashen Ward and DuShawn Brooks. In response, YSU has brought in four newcomers: Belin, Bobby Hain, Ronnye Beamon and Ryan Weber.

"They bring things that I think we needed desperately," Slocum said. "They bring size, with all of the guys being big for their positions. And they all shoot the ball well."

While they've gained needs, Kendrick Perry said he realizes they need to replace leadership that was lost.

"With Ashen gone, he was a huge voice for us last year, so I'm just trying to feel his shoes," he said. "This year I'm priding myself on being a leader and making sure these young guys are getting adjusted to the college game."

Perry does fit perfectly into the leader role, considering he was recently named to the Preseason All-Horizon League First-Team. Another preseason accolade for YSU, Eargle was selected to the Preseason All-Horizon League Second-Team.

"With the talent we have



On Tuesday, Kendrick Perry was selected as a Preseason All-Horizon League First-Team member. Teammate Damian Eargle also earned Preseason Second-Team honors. Photo by Dustin Livesay/The Jambar.

here — everybody that came in and the returners — and KP being all-league, we should be good," Belin said.

Still, with the season a month away, Allen knows there is work to be done.

"Coach has put a lot of emphasis on defense during the time that we've had so far," Allen said. "I think that will be something that will continue through the rest of the days leading up to the games."

### PENGUIN SPOTLIGHT



#### Jade Flory

Year: Sophomore  
Height: 5'5"  
Hometown: Chambersburg, Pa.  
Position: Forward

So far on the season for YSU, Jade Flory is tied with Chelsey Haney in leading the team with 10 points. Flory has totaled three goals and a team-high four assists. She recorded two assists in the Penguins 4-0 win against Canisius College, while racking-up three points against the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in a 2-1 victory. A business major, Flory is the recipient of the 2012-2013 Jim and Ellen Tressel Athletic Scholarship.