

## Blending creativity and science 'Sight and Sound' to premiere

Kate Mills REPORTER

On Thursday, the Ward Beecher Planetarium will transform into a rock haven with cosmic crescendos.

Mark Hanley, an alumnus of the Youngstown State University Dana School of Music, will play guitar during the live show, "Sight and Sound."

Overall, the planetarium's calendar is a diverse one, with programming ranging from educational to musical.

For Hanley, the upcoming show has been a labor of love.

"Mark played at the Summer Festival of the Arts with another student from Sweden who played the euphonium," said Sharon Shanks, the planetarium's programming director.

From there, the idea to combine guitar playing with a visual effects planetarium show was born.

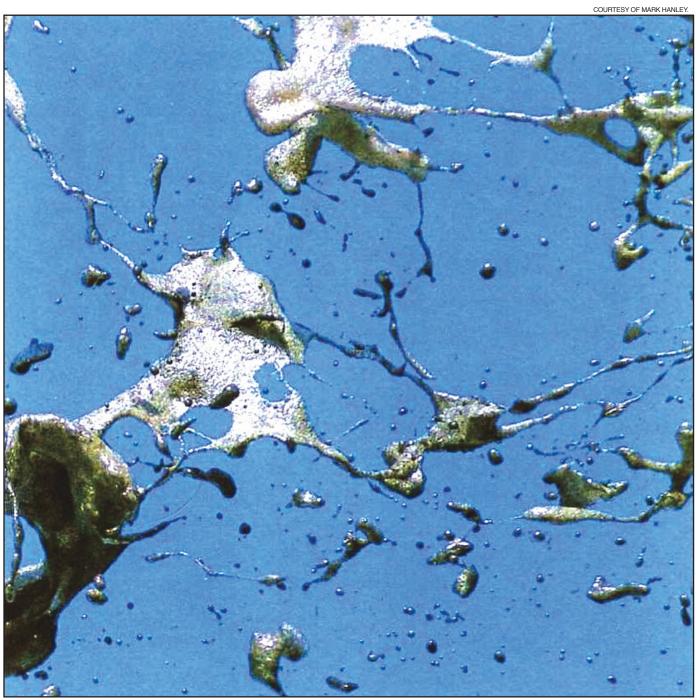
"Mark then graduated and focused on his solo performance, and now he's coming back to work with us on this show," Shanks said.

Hanley, who earned a degree in music performance, said he couldn't imagine a better spot to play his music.

"Mark and I have worked together on the effects,' Shanks said.

Shanks noted that she and Hanley have paid close attention to the different types of effects and images that they have on hand.

"We'll do the effects depending upon what seems to fit the mood of the music," Shanks said. "If there's a slow



This illustration was created by Mark Hanley, who will be performing at the Ward Beecher Planetarium on Thursday. "I like the rhythm of the picture. It's kind of free flowing," Hanley said. "It represents the way I feel about the music."

events.

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Besides Hanley's show on usic," Shanks said. "The tracting dozens of field trips, also host a showing of its latest sented at 8 p.m. Friday.

physicists John Feldmeier and "We have a history of live everyone. In addition to at- Thursday, the planetarium will Patrick Durrell; it will be pre-

part to the song, we'll make the lights slower. If there's a fast section, we might have strobe lights."

Shanks said the planetarium is no stranger to live music Boardman High School jazz band did a show here, and we did a live play called 'Star-Seeker' that was really great."

The planetarium, which hosts several programs per

the planetarium also strives to showcase the blending of two worlds: science and creativity.

"We really like to open to the dome to other types of events," Shanks said.

effort, "Cosmic Castaways," which debuted in May. The program is an original production of the Ward Beecher Planetarium, and it highlights the research of YSU astro-

planetarium pro-Most grams are free and open to the public. Hanley and Shanks' collaborative concert and light show combination will make its debut at 8 p.m. Thursday.

## **Females needed** in finance

#### *Kacy Standohar* NEWŠ EDITOR

Jill McCullough, an assistant professor of finance at Youngstown State University, was chosen as the research fellow for women and finance at the American College State Farm Center for Women and Financial Services in Bryn Mawr, Pa.

"They came to me for it," McCullough said. "Everything I write will also credit YSU, so it's good publicity for the university also."

A State Farm Insurance grant funds the Center for Women and Financial Services.

McCullough said she hopes research will provide insight for what companies need to do to better the financial experience for women, as both consumers and employees.

In her new position, Mc-Cullough said she wants to create research reports for financial academic journals.

'She obviously has done some pretty amazing things to be where she is at," said Ron Cole, director of university communications at YSU.

McCullough returned to YSU in 2007 after leaving in 1992 to pursue her own financial business. She earned a bachelor's degree at Ohio University in business administration, and she later received her Master of Business Administration from YSU. McCullough was originally hired at YSU in 1987.

She also serves as an adviser for the Williamson investment fund, which invests money given from the YSU Foundation to YSU students and the stock market.

"It all kind of fits together," McCullough said. "I teach finance, and I am a certified financial planner, so I am heavily involved.'

McCullough said it is important for college students to efficiently manage their finances. She said the university offers a personal financial planning course, which tackles topics like financial planning basics and risk management, investment selection and retirement planning.

The course used to require a corporate finance class as a pre-requisite, but it "is now



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wide open for any students to come in and learn about finance," McCullough said.

McCullough said women are important in finance because most other majors are equally represented.

'Engineering and finance are two of the few fields that are so under-represented for women," she said. "We have a lot of female accounting majors, though."

McCullough said a lot of women have found success in finance careers.

"It's a great career and a very flexible career," she said. "Women would like to have other women to work with. It brings compassion to the field."

## **Community to** gather and discuss safety

Rachel Lundberg ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Youngstown State University will host a Community Safety Summit on Nov. 10.

The summit will take place from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and it will feature panel discussions, a continental breakfast and a keynote address by FBI Special Agent Michael Cizmar.

The YSU Safety Committee, a group of administrators and faculty members devoted to promoting safety on campus, organized the event.

Tammy King, co-chair of the safety committee and associate dean of the Bitonte College of Health and Human Services, said the summit's purpose is to open community discussion about ways to improve safety in the area.

"We weren't really quite sure where to begin," King said. "So, it seemed like the best starting point was to talk with folks, see what's going on, see what needs to be done and then we can develop a more thorough action plan."

Community members may sponsor a table in the Chestnut Room, located in Kilcawley Center, during the first hour of the event. For more information, contact King at 330-941-1820 or taking@ysu.edu.

John Beshara, chief of police at YSU, also served on the committee to plan the event.

"It allows for a venue for all of the people that deal with crime and safety to get together and discuss ideas," he said.

Beshara will announce Cizmar as keynote speaker and will moderate a panel discussion on safety initiatives from law enforcement personnel.

The other three panel discussion topics are the role of faith-based organizations and community safety, best practices/initiatives on safety and taking responsibility for community safety (a youth perspective).

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## WYSU receives 115k in donations

## Sarah Thomas REPORTER

A partnership between the Youngstown State University Research Foundation, or YSURF, and Power Plaza of Seoul, South Korea, may provide future opportunities for YSU students and the Mahoning Valley.

Eric Planey, vice president of International Business Attraction for the Youngstown/ Warren Regional Chamber of Commerce, said the chamber helped establish the Memorandum of Understanding, also referred to as MOU.

"It is a handshake on paper," Planey said. "It's a formal first step in negotiating the growth of a formal agreement on items such as research collaboration."

The MOU was signed in early October. At a Seoul trade show in February, Planey met some of the company's representatives, and he invited Power Plaza and three other Asian companies to attend YSU's Sustainable Energy Forum in June.

"There, we began the more formal process of talking about a research collaboration on electric vehicle technology," Planey said.

Collaborations are tentatively set to begin in January.

**YSU to partner** 

with South Korea

"The MOU will have three positive effects," Planey said. "It will bring more engineering talent to live and work in the Valley, attract more technology research in electric cars and attract more Korean investment here."

Martin Abraham, founding dean of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, said the details of the partnership are still to be determined, but so far, they involve Power Plaza engineers establishing their presence in a research lab on campus.

"Engineers from the company will work hand-in-hand with YSU students," said Chet Cooper, president of YSURF.

Power Plaza develops industrial and telecommunication products that require high efficiency and reliability. The research conducted on campus will investigate battery management in electric cars.

"One of the challenges of electric vehicles is battery management," Abraham said. "It is necessary to control the flow of energy from the battery."

Opportunities for research will be available for both undergraduate and graduate students. *Kevin Alquist* assistant news editor

More than 1,000 listeners donated to 88.5 WYSU-FM's 72-hour fall pledge drive, raising a record \$115,759.

WYSU, Youngstown State University's public radio station, holds fund drives each fall and spring to pay for its operating budget. The money raised also goes toward programming and new equipment.

Ed Goist, the station's development officer, said the donations exceeded WYSU's goal of \$115,000.

"The [donation] number wasn't a shock," Goist said. "Of course, we're excited and happy to receive the money, but it's what we expected."

Though a vast majority of donors were from WYSU's immediate listening area, Goist said one reason for increased donations is the station's online streaming capabilities.

"Now that we have the ability to broadcast online, we are getting donations from people across the country that may have some connection to the area because they went to school here or grew up here," Goist said.



GRAPHIC BY KEELEY BLACK/THE JAMBAR.

Of the donations, 82 percent were from Ohio residents, 16 percent were from Pennsylvania residents and 2 percent were from residents of 11 other states.

Ron Cole, the director of university communications, said the donations indicate that the station's programming is attractive to listeners.

"WYSU continues to garner widespread support throughout the region, and their continued success year after year in fundraising is another indicator of that support," Cole said.

WYSU will have to raise similar figures in the spring to meet its yearly operating budget of \$230,000. Goist said he expects to reach this goal.

The fall fund drive featured a grand prize of a trip for two to Ancient Peru and Machu Picchu, which Richard Brobst of Villa Maria, Pa., won.

# More community college students commuting to multiple campuses



College student Norphesa Jones looks down the street while trying to find her bus near LA Trade Tech, during her way back to a class at Southwest College in Los Angeles on Sept. 26. Jones rides a bus, a train and a bus again to commute between two colleges, so that she can get the classes she needs. (Mark Boster/Los Angeles Times/MCT)

## Carla Rivera Los Angeles times (MCT)

LOS ANGELES — Norphesa Jones rises before dawn twice a week to take a 6 a.m. physical education class at Southwest College, just blocks from her home in South Los Angeles.

She then takes a bus to the Green Line, catches the train and another bus to Los Angeles Trade Tech downtown for an 8:30 a.m. math class. Jones then backtracks to Southwest for a personal development class that begins at 11:10 a.m.

Shuttling 20 miles between campuses isn't by choice: The math class she needed wasn't offered at Southwest.

"There have been times when I've sat in the room before class and cried, ready to quit because I don't want to do this anymore," said Jones, a 34-year-old wife and mother of three who hopes to become a nurse. "But then I think, why stop now because another way seems like it may be easier?"

She is part of a growing number of community college students across California who have been forced to travel long distances by bus, car and train to get the classes they need after budget cuts resulted in course reductions systemwide.

Over two decades, the percentage of such students has more than doubled, from about 2.2 percent in 1992 to about 5.2 percent in 2011. Last fall, about 69,665 students attended two schools, nearly 5,000 went to three schools and about 400 to four or five schools, according to data from the California Community Colleges chancellor's office. (The numbers include students who take online classes; officials are unsure how many are in that category.)

Most two-year colleges have also eliminated winter

and summer sessions, further reducing the availability of classes students need to earn a degree or transfer to a fouryear university. Some highdemand classes are offered only once during the academic year, leaving students with a stark choice: Wait and delay their education or shop around and find the course elsewhere.

Some college administrators say students taking classes at multiple campuses are displacing local students. Those officials are considering ways to curb the practice, such as giving local students priority enrollment for a period of time.

Colleges are in a tough spot, having to manage shrinking budgets while still providing the range of classes students need to obtain degrees or transfer.

"Schools want students to have sufficient courses, but ultimately students have to find their way through in one shape or form," said Patrick C. Perry, the system's vice chancellor of technology, research and information systems.

For Christina Atoyan, that means English class at Los Angeles Valley College in Valley Glen on Monday and Wednesdays. Biology at Valley on Mondays, Tuesday and Wednesdays. Statistics at Pierce College in Woodland Hills on Mondays and Wednesdays, plus an online speech class.

Later this month, she will begin a history class via video lectures offered by Mission College in Sylmar. The class includes a weekend session at one of four colleges.

The political science major wants to transfer to UCLA next fall. But she's been stymied getting into all the classes she needs at one campus.

The drive from Valley to Pierce takes about a halfhour on the 101 Freeway, and more in traffic. The commute costs her valuable study time, which she tries to cram in on the weekends. Last summer she took classes at East Los Angeles College, more than an hour's drive from her North Hollywood home.

She hears about the teacher layoffs and other effects of budget cuts in the Los Angeles Unified School District, where her mother works. But she and just about all of her friends are feeling the pressures firsthand in California's community college system, she said.

"I just want to transfer, to do what I want to do in life," said Atoyan, 20. "Go to UCLA, get a degree, become politically active and then go to law school."

Valley College geography instructor Donald J. Gauthier estimates that about half of the students in his environmental studies class are enrolled at more than one campus. They sometimes come in late or need to leave early and ask that the time isn't counted against their

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### POLICE BRIEFS

## Vending machine damaged in Bliss Hall

A YSU student called university police on Sunday after he found that a vending machine on the first floor of Bliss Hall had been damaged. The glass panel was smashed, and an undetermined amount of food had been confiscated. AVI Foodsystems was notified of the theft and sent someone to repair the machine.

## Gunshot sound heard in campus core

On Sunday, YSU Police reported to the center of campus after hearing reports of a possible gunshot. A student told police that he'd seen several men throwing objects on the ground outside of Kilcawley Center. While one officer was interviewing the student at the scene, another officer found a fresh firework in the area and determined that it was likely the cause of the gunshot-like sound.

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## NEWS BRIEFS

## U.S. Army Field Band to put on free show at Powers

On Nov. 13, the internationally acclaimed U.S. Army Field Band will perform at the Edward W. Powers Auditorium, which is part of the DeYor Performing Arts Center in downtown Youngstown. Several Dana School of Music students will also participate in both vocal and instrumental capacities, while YSU's ROTC Color Guard will present the colors before the concert. The performance is sponsored by The Vindicator and Vindy.com, the Youngstown Symphony and the YSU Dana School of Music; it will begin at 7 p.m. To obtain free tickets by mail, include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your request to the following address: U.S. Army Field Band Tickets, DeYor Performing Arts Box Office, 260 W. Federal St., Youngstown, OH 44503.

## Cornell prof will discuss myths, realities of shale gas

At 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, A.R. Ingraffea — the Dwight C. Baum Professor of Engineering in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Cornell University will present "Unconventional Gas Development from Shale Plays: Myths and Realities" in Room 1171 of Williamson Hall. He will make the presentation via live video conferencing, and a Q-and-A session will follow. The presentation is free and open to the public. Ingraffea's presentation is sponsored by the Office of the Provost; the James Dale Ethics Center; the College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics; the YSU Department of Civil/ Environmental and Chemical Engineering; and the YSU Department of Geological and Environmental Sciences.



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grade. He tries to fill the first five or 10 minutes of class with remarks before the main lecture.

But Gauthier, who is president of the Academic Senate, said there are broader issues for the nine-campus Los Angeles Community College District, which is the largest in the nation.

Colleges prepare their class schedules independently and don't know how many resources to devote to programs when students come from other campuses in the district. Gauthier said it's not fair to local students who can't commute when someone with higher-priority registration from another campus takes their place in crowded classes.

Also, research by the district has found that students who commute to multiple campuses do worse academically than their peers who attend one college.

Officials are now proposing to allow colleges to give priority to local students for the first two weeks of the

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James Martin, vice presi-

dent of United Purpose, is a

member of the panel. He said

he looks forward to the oppor-

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#### enrollment period before opening up classes to outside students.

"Students are more aware of the fact that sections are being cut and less is being offered; they are panicking and I totally understand that," Gauthier said. "As faculty, we're not here to stand in the way of students. But we are here to help our own campuses deal with the problem."

Such restrictions, though, would deal a blow to students like Jin Ong, a Valley College student who takes African-American history and biology at Valley, English at Pierce and Korean at City College in Hollywood.

Changing the rules would "definitely make it harder for me," said Ong, 23. "A lot of students would be left out."

The psychology major joined the military at 18 and serves in the Army Reserves as a nutritionist. His military status is supposed to give him some enrollment priority. He thought he would be in good shape when he tried

community involved, because

there will be information that

will be traded and there will

be a variety of perspectives,"

pose will lead the student

panel; they will discuss issues

Members of United Pur-

Martin said.

to sign up for classes earlier this year, but he still wasn't able to get all of the courses he needed on one campus.

Ong travels about 55 miles to get from his Panorama City home to Pierce and then to City. His Korean class runs until about 9:30 p.m. and it takes him about an hour to get home. The expenses of commuting affect his ability to pay bills and buy food, said Ong, who lives with his mother.

He is in his second year, but fears he may not be able to get the classes he needs to transfer next year to his dream school, Yale University.

If he could have afforded to attend a UC or Cal State campus, he might have finished his education by now.

Ong is in student government at Valley and well aware of the rippling effects of budget cuts.

"I think about the future sometimes and whether schools like this will still exist or if students will have to go through even harder things than me," he said, "and that's really devastating."

and misconceptions related to ex-offenders.

The Community Safety Summit is sponsored by the Bitonte College of Health and Human Services and is free to the public. Attendees will be charged for lot parking.



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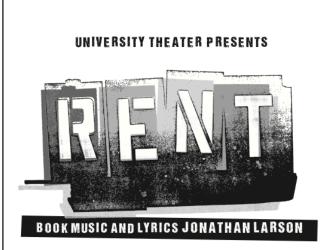
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## \*Shirley' to perform at Ytown's Stambaugh Auditorium

### Marissa McIntyre Arts & entertainment Editor

In 1985, while Dan Goggin was premiering "Nunsense," Cindy Williams was making a name for herself as an actress beyond her trademark character as Shirley Feeney of "Laverne and Shirley."

Goggin, the writer of "Nunsense," is now in the middle of the seventh musical in the series, "Nunset Boulevard."

"Nunset Boulevard" will make a stop in Youngstown on its countrywide tour, landing at Stambaugh Auditorium on Nov. 11.

Goggin based the characters in the musical off of the nuns who taught him as a child. What started out as a line of greeting cards Goggin and his friends sold in Greenwich Village, N.Y., transformed into inspiration for a comedy staring nuns. "When 'Nunsense' pre-

miered, people asked me to keep writing," Goggin said.

Goggin and Williams began working together when she stared as Mother Superior in "Nunsense."

"Cindy Williams is fabulous," Goggin said.

He said working with her has been great because of Williams' experience in comedy.

Williams, who was unable to do an interview because she's participating in the "American Graffiti" reunion, told Goggin that, if they can make each other laugh, they can make an audience laugh.

"I think that people will be amazed that she can sing. She doesn't think she can dance, but she can," Goggin said. Williams told Goggin that her goal is to perform "Nunset Boulevard" and "not miss a step."

The series follows the adventures of five "zany" nuns. Goggin said audience members don't need to be familiar with the entire series to enjoy "Nunset Boulevard."

The musical is about five nuns who perform live stand-up comedy. They've been invited to Hollywood to perform at what they think is a grand spectacle, though it ends up being a show at a bowling alley. They then notice a casting call across the street from the bowling alley to play Dolores Hart, a reallife actress who became a nun.

The tour started on Oct. 1, and Goggin said the audience has been responding enthusiastically.

"Every place they've played so far, they've gotten a standing ovation, and the crowd couldn't stop laughing," Goggin said.

The musical also incorporates audience involvement with a segment called "The Price is Righteous," where audience members can win prizes.

Worldwide, the "Nunsense" series has had 10,000 productions and is stopping at 53 cities on this tour.

Goggin, who studied music, also wrote the transcript and all the music for the series.

"It really fell into place. I just started writing and just let the characters do the talking," Goggin said. "I know these characters so well, and it's easy to write for them."

He said the series has nothing to do with religion and is fun for everyone.



Cindy Williams, or Shirley from "Laverne and Shirley," plays Mother Superior in the musical comedy "Nunset Boulevard." Photo courtesy of Dan Goggin.

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On Wednesday, we embarked on a five-day trip to Chicago.

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Historically, we've always brought home a new idea to implement into the paper or website.

Last year, we finished fifth in the nation in the Associated Collegiate Press Best of Show competition. After Tuesday's paper, we're

poised to gain even more ground.

The reputable journalists and educators who will be evaluating our work love enterprise stories. It's safe to say that exposing ineptitude in the city's health department would certainly meet the criteria.

We'll represent YSU well, as you have represented us in a myriad of academic- and athletic-related fields.

YSU is often overlooked.

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#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2012



Four years ago, the American people were swept away with the idea of hope and change as they elected Barack Obama the 44th president of the United States. Despite not earning my vote in 2008, President Obama ran a hard-fought campaign and deserved to win. He inspired millions of Americans and brought many new young voters into the voting process, which is something that I feel is extremely important, as it is a right that is often taken for granted

graduates are either unemployed or underemployed, Americans should take a long, hard look at whether our president is worthy of a second term.

I ask you the following: How can this president deserve a second term to get our economy back on track when he has failed to do it in his first term? Why has President Obama failed to hold true on his promise to cut the deficit in half by the end of his first term in office?

On Election Day, I will be cas

directly related to the Utica shale in the past two years, the Mahoning Valley will be one area of the country that will prosper with the energy agenda of Mitt Romney. Natural gas development in our area is expected to create thousands of jobs and provide a major boost to our local economy, which has been ailing since the steel mills closed in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

I fully understand that many college students still admire President Obama for becoming the first

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President Obama has been in office for more than three and half years, and his record leaves a lot to be desired. Although our president is quick to blame the previous administration for the weak economic state of our country, it was Barack Obama that said the following when speaking of fixing our economy: "If I don't have this done in three years, then there's going to be a one-term proposition.

When unemployment remains sky high at 7.8 percent, average job growth in 2012 is less than that of 2011, and half of new college

ing my vote for Mitt Romney for president of the United States. Despite an onslaught of negative advertisements attempting to define Mitt Romney as a terrible rich guy out of touch with average Americans, the American people saw in the presidential debates that those attack ads cannot be further from the truth.

The focal point of Mitt Romney's plan to get our economy back on track is to make the most of our energy resources in this country. In an area that has seen more than \$2 billion in economic development African-American president of the United States. He is an inspirational man that we should all respect as our commander in chief, but that does not mean he is worthy of a second term in office. This is a critical election for this country, and the status quo has got to go.

On Tuesday, I strongly encourage everyone to vote for Mitt Romney to become the 45th president of the United States.

Michael Metzinger Austintown

## Coming soon to a town near you

#### Craig Ziobert WEATHER TEACHING ASSISTANT, YSU DEPARTMENT **OF GEOGRAPHY**

You've heard of Hurricane Sandy, Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Andrew. But how about Blizzard Brutus? Until this year, you haven't.

That's about to change as the Weather Channel announced last week it would begin naming select winter storms this winter.

The idea comes from the naming of tropical cyclones back in 1953; the purpose of doing so was to keep track of multiple systems that were in one ocean at a time.

Unlike the naming of hurricanes, the Weather Channel won't have set criteria for the naming of severe winter storms. Not every storm will get a name, and depending on location, the severity of the storm will make a difference.

A snowfall of three inches in Youngstown won't get a name, but the same amount in a place like Atlanta might.

The Weather Channel said the combination of total snowfall, in addition to the effects of wind and temperature, are some aspects that will go into consideration.

A main reason the Weather Channel is doing this is for heightened awareness of strong winter storms.

"I think it's dumb," said Youngstown State University sophomore Katie Wilson. "It's the same thing for me whether it has a name or not."

Junior Matthew Clayton said he also thinks along those lines.

"We're used to snow," he said. "Here, I'd prepare the same. I can see why people down South might need it, but not here."

But not everyone has the same outlook.

YSU sophomore Dylan Grubbs said a storm with a name would have more of an impact on him.

"It definitely would catch your attention," he said.

Senior Lily Justice agreed.

"It might help for a more severe storm," she said. "People might stock up to prepare. The fact that it has a name makes it seem more intense."

Tom Niziol, a senior winter weather expert for the Weather Channel, said another main reason for naming winter storms is due to the coverage they receive in the age of Twitter and Facebook.

"On a national scale, the most intense winter storms acquire a name through some aspect of pop culture and now social media; for example, Snowmaggeddon and Snotober,"

Niziol said.

With an actual list of names, this won't be necessary anymore.

The Weather Channel chose mostly a Roman and Greek theme, so the names wouldn't be confused with anything on a hurricane list. The first four names on the winter storm list are Athena, Brutus, Caesar and Draco. Others include Helen, Nemo, Saturn and Zeus.

But for YSU senior R.J. Rees, snow is just snow.

"Up to this point, we haven't had names, and we survived," he said. "Twelve inches of snow is 12 inches of snow.

The National Weather Service declined to comment on the idea, and only the Weather Channel is using these names.

This fact concerned Emily Cunningham, a YSU sophomore.

If it was in the National Weather Service warnings, I might prepare differently," she said. "Just hearing the forecast snow amount will cause me to prepare."

Time will tell if Youngstown will get a named winter storm this season. Since we're used to severe winter weather, the storm will have to be quite intense for it to get a name.

Regardless, if you hear someone talking about Blizzard Brutus, you're not crazy — it is a real thing!

# **Sports**

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## 'Failing is ... not acceptable' Wolford era unsuccessful so far



Jackrabbits defenders tackle Penguins wide receiver Marcel Caver during YSU's 41-28 loss to South Dakota State University on Saturday. Photo courtesy of YSU Sports Information.

## Steve Wilaj sports editor

Sporting his Youngstown State University athletic jump suit and a black whistle at Tuesday's press conference, head football coach Eric Wolford joked that his outfit doubled as his Halloween costume.

"It's Halloween, and I'm dressed up as a coach," Wolford said. "If someone asks what I'm going as for Halloween, [it's] a ball coach."

You didn't get a chance to buy a real costume, Coach Wolford?

"I'll just take being a coach right now," he responded.

Safe to say, Wolford understands the reality of the situation: Win or face the consequences.

Now in his third season as YSU's head football coach, Wolford holds an overall record of 13-17. In terms of winning percentage, Wolford ranks last in the history of YSU's football coaches at .433, but his attitude at the conference was not one of surrender.

has been done in the Missouri Valley Football Conference. Off to a 1-4 MVFC record this season, YSU is only 6-15 (.285) in the conference under Wolford's guidance.

And while Wolford joked about the situation with Halloween, he still managed to tiptoe around his failed tenure thus far.

"I think there are two approaches you can take," he said. "You can try to go a quick-fix route and turn your eye to discipline issues ... or you can set a very high standard to doing things right. We took the no-nonsense approach."

With a 4-0 start to the 2012 season, it looked as though the Penguins had the best of both worlds — a high-class program and a winning team — until a four-game losing streak derailed that perception.

Still, Wolford isn't hiding from the consequences of cleaning up the football program.

"It maybe set some things back initially," he admitted, "but it set a tone that there's a we gotta get that corrected if we want to try to win a football game."

The Penguins will get that opportunity at Stambaugh Stadium on Saturday against the University of South Dakota. The game will begin at 2:05 p.m.

Although the Coyotes are only 1-7 — including 0-5 in their first season in the MVFC — quarterback Kurt Hess addressed the turnovers as well.

"I just have to make a conscious effort of protecting the ball," said Hess, who has thrown six interceptions in the past four games. "I have to definitely stress it during the week."

Wolford said that if the turnovers aren't reduced, there may be some changes made to the Penguins' lineup.

"We're not going to let guys continue to put us in bad situations," Wolford said. "We're at the final straw."

YSU's playoff hopes are also at the final straw. While the Penguins are technically still in the playoff picture, another loss would be devastating to their chances. "It's going to be big for our football team to go out and fight one week at a time," Hess said. "We have to go out and not try do to much this week and not even think about the playoffs."

## **SPORTS BRIEFS**

## New scholarship honors former YSU math faculty member

The YSU Department of Intercollegiate Athletics recently announced the creation of the Don DeLorenzo Scholarship, which will be part of the YSU Athletics Scholarship Endowment Fund. The Don DeLorenzo Scholarship was established over the summer by the family and friends of former YSU instructor and Boardman High School teacher Don DeLorenzo. The scholarship will be awarded each year to a junior or senior studentathlete who has a major or a minor concentration in mathematics and has a GPA of 3.0 or higher; in addition, the recipient will be a student who is committed to academics, has a strong values system and possesses a competitive spirit similar to DeLorenzo's. DeLorenzo earned his bachelor's degree, along with two master's degrees, from YSU, and he was an adjunct faculty member of the math department for nearly 30 years.

## Brown honored twice by College Sports Madness

Brandi Brown, a senior women's basketball player at YSU, has been named to two preseason lists by CollegeSportsMadness.com; she's been named as a Preseason Fourth-Team All-American on the All-High Major Teams list and was selected as a Preseason First-Team All-Horizon League player. Last season, Brown averaged 15.9 points and 9.3 rebounds for the Penguins.

## Football preps for homecoming matchup

On Saturday, the YSU Penguins will play their annual homecoming game against the University of South Dakota Coyotes. The homecoming parade will begin at noon at Wood Street, and participants will march up to Stambaugh Stadium, where the Penguins will take on the Coyotes at 2:05 p.m. The Penguins will be looking to end their four-game losing streak; they're 4-4 overall and 1-4 in the Missouri Valley Football Conference. Over 71 homecoming games, YSU's all-time record is 48-21-1, and 20-10 at Stambaugh Stadium. In addition, Saturday marks the very first meeting between the Penguins and the Coyotes.

"Failing is something that is not acceptable," he said.

Much of the damage to Wolford's record

certain way things need to be done."

What needs to be done on the field for YSU is better ball protection. In the four October losses, the Penguins have committed 11 turnovers.

"The glaring thing has been turnovers," Wolford said. "We've emphasized it, and

#### **PENGUIN SPOTLIGHT**



### Jenna Cavanaugh

Height: 6'0'' Hometown: Cold Spring, Ky. Year: Junior Position: Middle blocker

As YSU volleyball's middle blocker, Cavanaugh is tied for first in the Horizon League in blocks per set with 1.22. In addition, Cavanaugh is averaging 1.76 kills per set for the Penguins, having played in 24 of the 25 matches. A key component for the improved Penguins, Cavanaugh is a sociology major at YSU.

## **Record-setting season comes to an end**

### Cory Bartek sports reporter

Although the Youngstown State University soccer team was down after Tuesday's loss against Wright State University in the first round of the Horizon League playoffs, head soccer coach Will Lemke said he couldn't overlook the positives.

"We took a giant step forward [this season] to get in [the tournament] and host a game and be the fourth seed," he said.

The Penguins made the Horizon League tournament for the first time since 2008 by defeating Wright State in the last regular season game. However, the Raiders got the last laugh by earning a 1-0 overtime victory over YSU in the opening round of the league's tournament.

Wright State played a slightly more aggressive game, having 16 total shots and seven shots on goal compared to YSU's seven total shots and three shots on goal.

Lemke said it was a tough way to lose, but added that he knows it was a big learning experience for his young team.

One of those young players is sophomore Jade Flory.

"It was really hard to adjust," Flory said. "We went from having the overtime win to get into conference tournament and host, and they turned around on us and got the overtime



*Jade Flory (8) dribbles the ball during YSU's season-ending loss, 1-0, to Wright State University on Tuesday. The Penguins finished the season 8-9. Photo courtesy of YSU Sports Information.* 

win on us."

The team won't be taking much downtime and looks to get back to work very soon.

"We'll give them a week off, and then we're right back at it," Lemke said.

The players are hungry and ready to get back as well.

"We want to be the best now," Flory said. "We want to win conference."

Anticipation for next season is at a tremendous high.

"We're expecting to legitimately go and win the conference championship next year," Lemke said.

While a first-round exit wasn't exactly what the Penguins were looking for, they did post the most wins in school history in 2012, finishing with an overall record of 8-9.

YSU was also 3-4 in the league, with regular season wins coming against the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Valparaiso University and Wright State.

Previously, the Penguins had never recorded more than one victory in the league and never hosted a Horizon League tournament game.

Flory was also named to the All-Horizon League First-Team, while teammate Chelsey Haney was named to the All-Horizon League Second-Team.

"T'm really thankful for them to be picking me to be First-Team," Flory said.

Flory — like her teammates — said she always strives for more success.

"I would've liked to have a better year," she said.