

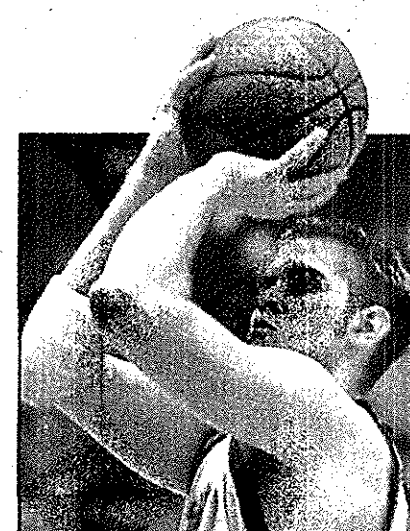
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Parks poetry reading

"Rosa Parks: Then and Now," a poetry reading celebrating the 50th anniversary of her historic protest, will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11 at the YSU SMARTS Center, 258 Federal Plaza West, in Youngstown.

Tax help

The YSU accounting department will be available from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12 in Williamson Hall, to assist students with their tax returns. The help is offered as part of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program. For more information call 330-941-3084.

Atomic Clocks lecture set for Wednesday

"Why Bother Improving Atomic Clocks," a lecture concerning the limits and usefulness of Atomic Clocks, will take place as part of the Sigma Xi's brown bag luncheon at noon Wednesday, in Bresnahan I and II of Kilcawley Center.

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Bush sends Congress \$2.5 trillion plan

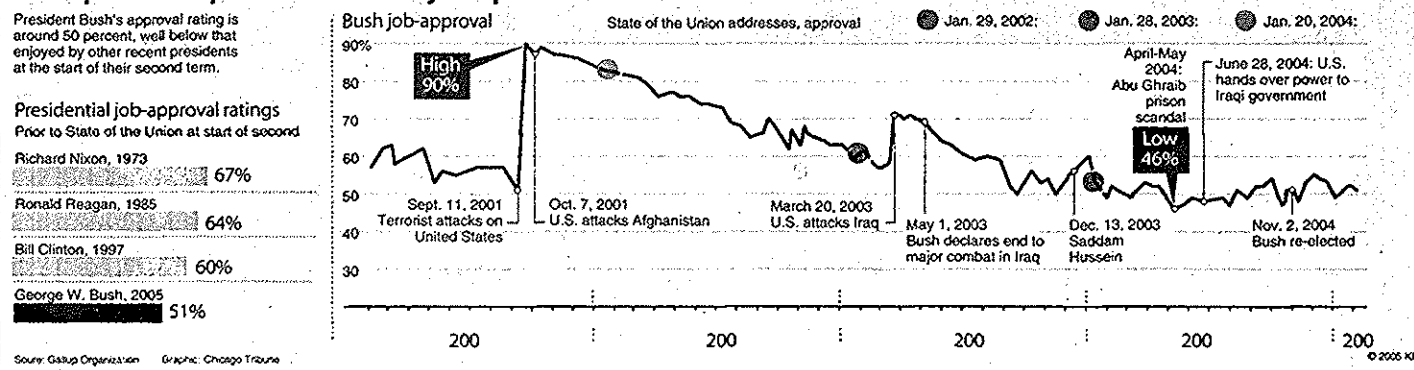
The proposed budget would eliminate or vastly scale back 150 various government programs

By Martin Crutsinger
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush sent Congress a \$2.57 trillion budget plan Monday that would boost spending on the military and homeland security but seeks spending cuts across a wide swath of other government programs. Bush's budget would reduce subsidies paid to farmers, cut health programs for poor people and veterans and trim spending on the environment and education.

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U.S. public split on Bush's job performance



Performance rating

Approval ratings for President Bush have fallen since its high at 90 percent after Sept. 11 attacks. Just prior to his State of the Union Address his approval rating stood at 51 percent. (KRT Campus)

Cancer Society gearing up for Relay for Life

Event set for April at Beeghly Center

By Laura Cagley
 The Jambar

The American Cancer Society is gearing up for another Relay for Life to be held at Beeghly Center in April to raise money and cancer awareness in the community.

The Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's signature event and is used to spotlight cancer survivors and the need for a cure. The event lasts 24-hours and participants can walk, jog, or run around the track.

The Relay for Life held in Beeghly Center is the only indoor relay in tri-county area. The region is host to about 15 relays every year.

"Everyone has been touched by cancer," Al Stabilito, Eastern Director of

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YSU employee wins battle with cancer

Mary Lynn Savage said being 'proactive' helped her beat the disease

By Christina Poe
 The Jambar

Behind Mary Lynn Savage's warm smile and blond hair lies a strong-willed survivor.

Savage, a secretary in the Geological and Environmental Studies department at Youngstown State University, went head to head with breast cancer in 2002. However, the Youngstown native said being informed, proactive and involved in American Cancer Society events helped her beat the disease.

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Cultural Celebration

The African Marketplace celebrates African culture and heritage

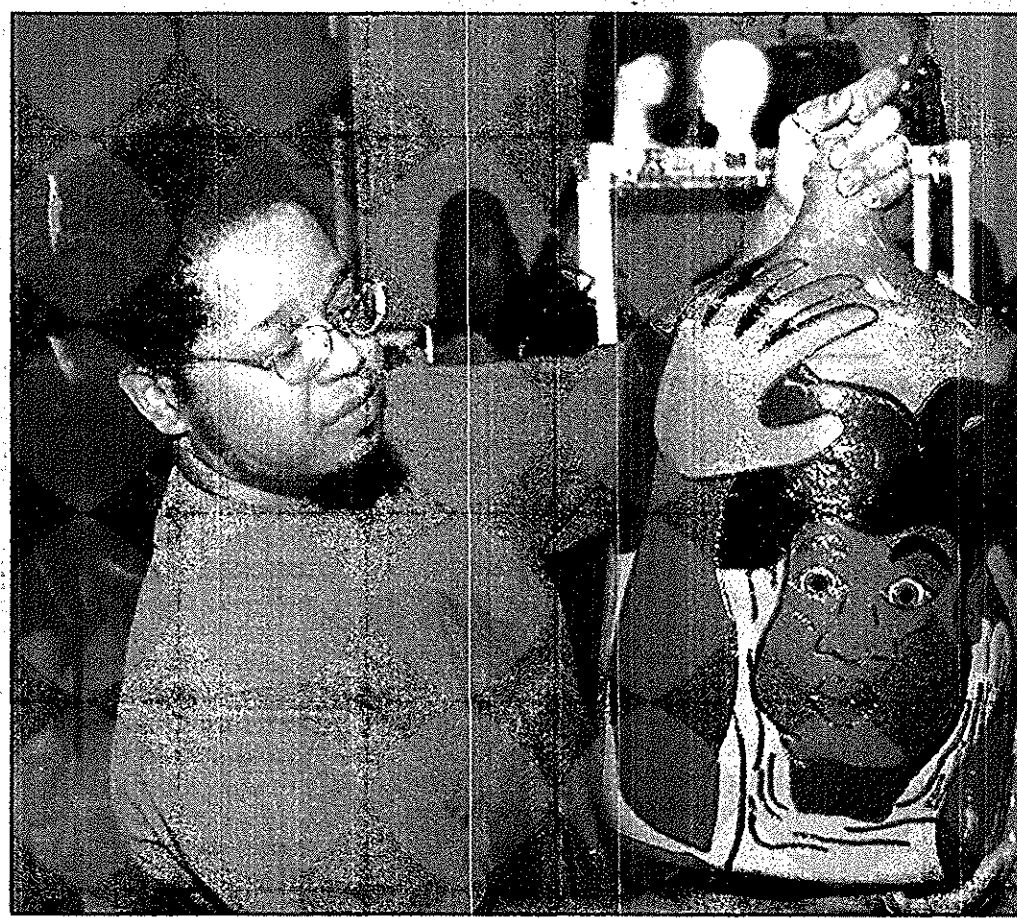
By Maysoon Abdelrasul
 The Jambar

Gloria Pallante brought her adopted son Anthony to Youngstown State University Saturday afternoon to learn about his culture.

Anthony is biracial and Pallante takes Anthony to many African events to expose him to his African-American roots because she said she does not want him to lose that part of his culture.

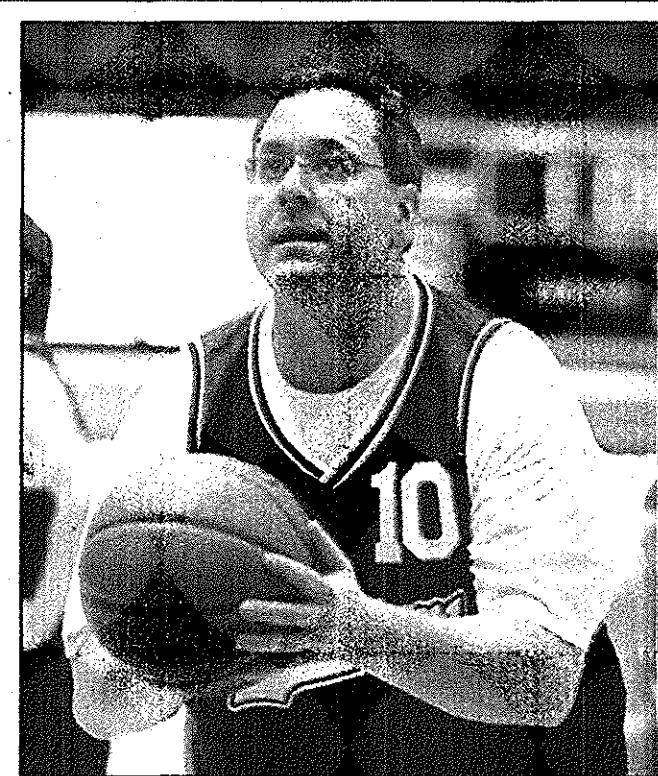
The two were among the several others that attended the African Marketplace in the Chestnut room of Kilcawley Center. The room was filled with clothes, artifacts, books and many more items that represent the African culture.

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African Marketplace

Art imitates life...sort of: Errick Freeman pictured himself inside a bottle for this glass sculpture. His works were displayed at the African Marketplace Saturday in the Kilcawley Center's Chestnut Room. (Jambar photo by Chuck Rogers)



Game of Hope

State Sen. Marc Dann gets ready to shoot a basket in Saturday's Game of Hope played at Beeghly Center. Local celebrities were pitted against members of the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity in the charity basketball game, which was held to benefit chronically and terminally ill children and the Children's Museum of the Valley. The fraternity won 50-42. (Jambar photo by Chuck Rogers)

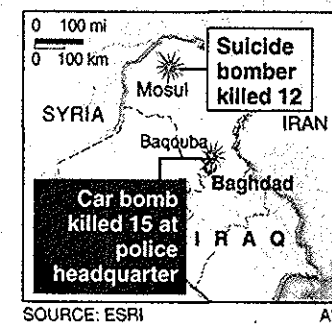
BAGHDAD, Iraq Insurgent attacks on Iraqi police stations, hospital kill at least 30

By Mariam Fam
 Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Insurgents struck at Iraqi police with a suicide bomb, a car bomb and mortars in the cities of Mosul and Baqouba on Monday, killing at least 30 people as they pressed their campaign to undermine the fledgling security forces.

The deadliest attack came in Baqouba, where a car bomb exploded outside the gates of a provincial police headquarters, killing 15 people and wounding 17, police Col. Mudhahar al-Jubouri said. Many victims were there to seek jobs as policemen, al-Jubouri said.

In the northern city of Mosul, a suicide bomber blew himself up inside the compound of Jumhuri Teaching Hospital,



SOURCE: ESRI AP

killing 12 policemen guarding the site and injuring four others, hospital officials said.

The bomb went off outside the hospital building, hospital Director Tahseen Ali Mahmoud al-Obeidi said. Witnesses said the bomber called the police officers over to him and then blew up among the crowd.

"I heard an explosion. When I went to check, I saw

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"It is a budget that sets priorities," Bush said after a meeting with his Cabinet. "It's a budget that reduces and eliminates redundancy. It's a budget that's a lean budget."

Bush acknowledged that it would be difficult to eliminate popular programs but he said programs must prove their worth. "I look forward to explaining to the American people why we made some of the requests that we made in

our budget," the president told reporters.

Joshua Bolten, Bush's budget director, said, "Are we going to get everything we asked for? No." But he predicted Congress would likely accept the administration's broad priorities. He said he entered the upcoming congressional budget battle with a "happy spirit."

Democrats immediately branded the budget a "hoax" because it left out the huge

future costs for the war in Iraq and Afghanistan and did not include the billions of dollars that will be needed for Bush's No. 1 domestic priority, overhauling Social Security.

Bolten said the administration would soon be coming forward with a supplemental request for an additional \$81 billion for operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. He said that request was reflected in the overall spending projections

in Bush's budget for the current year and into 2006.

He said including further additional spending for Iraq and Afghanistan "wouldn't be responsible" because it would represent guesses on what will be needed. Bolten also said that even if transition costs for Social Security had been included, the president would still be able to meet his goal of cutting the deficit in half by 2009 as a percentage of the total economy.

The budget would eliminate or vastly scale back 150 government programs. It will spark months of contentious debate in Congress, where lawmakers will fight to protect their favored programs.

House Democratic Leader Rep. Nancy Pelosi of California called Bush's budget "a hoax on the American people. The two issues that dominated the president's State of the Union address — Iraq and Social Security — are nowhere to be found in this budget."

The spending document projects that the deficit will hit a record \$427 billion this year, the third straight year that the red ink in dollar terms has set a record.

Bush projects that the deficit will fall to \$390 billion in 2006 and gradually decline to \$233 billion in 2009 and \$207 billion in 2010.

Bush's 2006 spending plan, for the budget year that begins next Oct. 1, counts on a healthy economy to boost revenues by 6.1 percent to \$2.18 trillion. Spending, meanwhile, would grow by 3.5 percent to \$2.57 trillion.

Outside defense, homeland security and the government's huge mandatory programs such as Social Security, Bush proposes cutting spending by 0.5 percent, the first such proposed cut since the Reagan administration battled with its own soaring deficits.

Of 23 major government agencies, 12 would see their budget authority reduced next year, including cuts of 9.6 percent at Agriculture, 5.6 percent at the Environmental Protection Agency, 6.7 percent at Transportation and 11.5 percent at Housing and Urban Development.

In his budget message to Congress, Bush said, "In order to sustain our economic expansion, we must continue pro-growth policies and enforce even greater spending restraint across the federal government."

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About one-third of the programs being targeted for elimination are in the Education Department, including federal grant programs for local schools in such areas as vocational education, anti-drug efforts and Even Start, a \$225 million literacy program.

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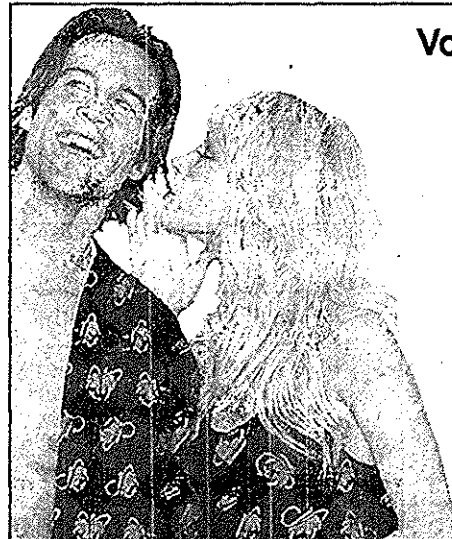
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Dr. Paul Finkleman
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Roland Barksdale-Hall
7:30 p.m., Ohio Room, Kilcawley Center

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Play—"The Color of Love"
7:00 p.m., Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center

Saturday, February 19
Panel—"Myths and Realities on Health Issues in the African American Community"
7:00 p.m., Ohio Room, Kilcawley Center

Tuesday, February 22
Panel Discussion—"Black Artistic Creations at Youngstown State University"
7:00 p.m., SMARTS Center

Friday, February 25
Film—"The Ghosts of Rwanda"
7:00 p.m., Ohio Room, Kilcawley Center

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Lecture—"The African American Male and the HIV/AIDS Crisis in the Black Community"
J.L. King
7:30 p.m., Ohio Room, Kilcawley Center

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Panel discussion
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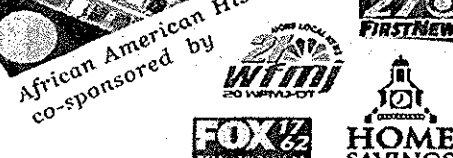
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"When a cock is drunk, it forgets about the hawk."
—An African Proverb

For further information, call the African Studies Program at (330) 941-3097.

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OUR SIDE

Mumper gives conflicting views

Each year, millions of Ohioans attend colleges and universities in search of higher education.

These individuals receive a rich education through reading over volumes of lecture notes, poring over thick textbooks and organizing a plethora of handouts. These tools are the obvious fundamentals of learning and each contribute vastly to the process of higher education.

Yet, these are not the only usable tools. The daily interaction between student, professor and other students can promote an exchange of ideas that opens each to other views, ideas and ways of learning. It is these class discussions and conversations that open each student to a diverse understanding of the world at hand. It forms our perceptions and reactions to life in general and everyday news.

Last week came the news that one Ohio legislator wants to severely limit and possibly end the freedom of exchange in the classroom between professor and student.

Ohio Sen. Larry Mumper (R-26) has introduced Senate Bill 24, a bill dubbed by proponents as "the academic bill of rights for higher education."

Mumper supports the bill by claiming it will further an exchange of ideas. It will bring more diverse viewpoints to the classroom and allow students to hear something other than what the professor believes.

But Mumpers' earlier quotes, even the bill's language, tell a different story.

He has been quoted as saying "80 percent or so of them (professors) are Democrats, liberals or Socialists or card-carrying Communists."

The bill outlines what the author considers "rights" being granted to the students. It states university faculty and instructors would be prohibited from "persistently introducing controversial matter into the classroom." Professors would also be required to introduce "scholarly" material from others that would provide viewpoints other than their own.

From where we stand, the bill does not seem to lend rights to the students, nor to the professors. It restricts exchange between professor and student. It limits the professor's right to freely express their own point of view.

Though Mumper claims this is an effort to protect values or speech, it seems to more directly be a blatant attack on viewpoints and ideologies with which he does not agree.

We ask professors to take a stand on this issue. Do not let your rights to free express your ideas be violated. We ask lawmakers to vote against it in order to allow those in the realm of higher education to freely vocalize their ideas.

The beauty of free speech is that each person in this society is entitled to it. If there are students in a classroom that do not agree with another student's or a professor's opinion, those students have the right to vocalize it. Speak up. This is how the free exchange of ideas will be protected.

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COMMENTARY

Leonard Crist...



declares total thermo-nuclear war...

I may be a part of the liberal media, but I owe everything I am today to George W. Bush.

The first time I attended Youngstown State University, way back in the amber sunset of the Clinton administration, I screwed around, rarely went to class and ultimately dropped out, having failed most of my courses. Basically I spent my "lost" year at YSU much the same way GWB spent his years at Yale.

Bush, incidentally, was elected president between when I started going to YSU in fall 2000 and when I dropped out after spring 2001.

Having given college the old college try, I packed it in and got a job at a factory — and then got laid off. But soon they rehired me, and life was OK again.

This week: On Bush's economy

Not long after that, I found a better paying job, printing serial numbers on those little pull-tab gambling raffle ticket things they sell at VFWs and Croatian Homes.

But the market wasn't faring so well under the staggering economic stewardship of Captain Bush.

The Chinese had entered the pull-tab raffle ticket market, making a cheaper version, as Chinese factories tend to do.

It is at this point in the column when I could cite statistics about how Bush screwed up the economy like I screwed up my GPA, naming, specifically, the ever-growing trade deficit with China, and the fact that four years later, the country still hasn't gained a single net job.

But I've developed a certain liberal indifference since Bush was re-elected. Facts and figures don't sway the American people.

For every number spun by the Democrats, there is a different number spun by the Republicans. It's hard to tell who is telling the truth. So who cares?

Anyway, the company I worked for downsized and I was one of the casualties. Only this

time I became eligible for unemployment benefits, which, let me tell you, is a sweet effing deal.

But even unemployment benefits run dry after a short period of time. With Bush's tanking economy, the real possibility of being drafted and few prospects for the future, I decided the only thing left to do was to go back to school.

You see, I have this theory that Bush believes the key to a strong economy is a better-educated work force.

But the only way he knows of to get the masses into the classes is to scare the crap out of them, what I like to call a vast right wing conspiracy of motivation.

It's kind of like on the Maury Povich talk show, when Maury brings out a drill sergeant to yell and scream at the outrageously bad teenagers who like to hit their moms, shoot heroin and have pre-marital sex.

"Just look at you!" the drill sergeant shouts to the defiant 14 year-old. "You are pathetic! You are going to amount to nothing! Do you have any idea what you are putting your mother through? Look at me, scum bag! You are going to die unless you make a

change!"

The 14 year-old's eyes well up with tears, and as the cameraman follows her backstage, she embraces her mother, effusively apologizing and promising to never be bad again.

It's tough love, and I think it's what Bush is doing to motivate Americans.

Make them face a stark and dismal economic future and they'll line up to go to places like YSU. That the university has increased enrollment substantially since Bush took office only strengthens my theory.

So Bush is intentionally screwing up the economy — for now — because he knows we'll all get scared and have to go back to school and then we'll get good jobs and the economy will prosper long into the future.

And for that, I say, "Thank you, President Bush, for getting me to go back to school, which enabled me to excel at journalism, allowing me to write this back-handed compliment in the form of a sarcastic column."

"May you live long and prosper. Just don't touch social security. Please?"

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader glad to see column

Dear Editor,
I was happy to see that you continued to run your "Through the Looking Glass" column despite the complaint published in Tuesday's "Letters to the Editor" column.

That response was an example of someone "not getting it." As a humor researcher, I can vouch for the difficulty on the part of some people to distinguish between irony, which can possibly but not necessarily incite laughter, and jokes, which are meant to. The ironies of life, whether from the hand of human or nature, always bemuse us and may amuse us; and yes, we may not think that some of them are very "funny," but we are always amazed when we learn of them. Keep up your combination of "Darwin Awards" and "The Wild Kingdom Gone Amok" for our further reading "pleasure."

Lorene M. Birden
English Department

Bill would impose serious restrictions

Dear Editor,

Senate Bill 24 is not a bill of academic rights but a bill of statutory requirements that if passed will have wide and adverse effects upon the academic profession and upon all public and private colleges and universities in the State — statutory requirements that have no rational basis.

For example, neither the bill nor its sponsors have provided any demonstration of fact that students are being indoctrinated; faculty are not being hired, tenured or promoted on account of their beliefs; faculty are using the classroom to push certain ideological views; or that students' rights have been or are being violated.

This bill will impose at least the following statutory requirements: grading shall have one single sole basis, namely "reasoned answers" and not attendance, participation, originality, creativity, group projects, among other reasonable bases for grading; curricula and reading lists shall include "all human knowledge...with dissenting sources and viewpoints," such that a course on the history of modern Germany must, by law, present the false view that the holocaust never occurred, or a course on evolutionary biology, biochemistry, astrophysics, or biological

anthropology must, by law, present the religious view known as Creationism or its quasi-secular equivalent, Intelligent Design (cf. William Paley, Natural Theology, 1802), on par with widely accepted scientific theories of evolution; or a course on the history of Judaism must, by law, present the anti-Semitic view known as Anglo-Israelism — a precursor to the Aryan Nation, KKK and a number of neo-Nazi groups in this country — which holds that the British are the lineal descendants of the 10 lost tribes of Israel and were chosen by God to realize the divine plan in human history as possessed of the same dignity as well established historical knowledge of the origins and development of Judaism; private, religious institutions, such as Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati, University of Dayton, or John Carroll University must, by law, hire, promote, and tenure faculty who actively oppose the religious identity and teachings of such institutions.

Furthermore, the statutory requirements in this bill are so vague that it is difficult, if not impossible, to know when one has committed a violation. It does not specify, for example, what is a "controversial matter," how many times a "controversial matter" must be introduced in the class-

room to offend the statute; nor how must I hold myself so as to stand in a "posture of neutrality."

Finally, the bill is unnecessary because it is redundant.

The rights of students specified under Section (D) are already well established in our constitutional tradition, both federal and state, particularly the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Any student who believes her or his constitutional rights have been violated can bring legal action against the institution or individual member of the faculty for relief.

The same set of rights under Section (D) of the bill are, moreover, already guaranteed by a number of University policies and the YSU Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct. These documents specify important grievance procedures for students and student organizations.

Nothing is broken which SB 24 repairs. It is bad for you, bad for me, bad for all of us. Write your State Senator and Representative. Tell them to vote against S.B. 24.

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HEADLINES

► *No hitches at halftime*
Paul McCartney's halftime performance was a world of difference from the Janet Jackson, Justin Timberlake spectacle from a year ago. The former Beatle's show was quite wholesome to say the least.

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MOVIE REVIEW

'Wedding Date' a trite affair

By Lauren Thompson
Daily Texan (U. Texas)

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN, Texas — Forget "Million Dollar Baby" and "Hotel Rwanda," I have my No. 1 movie for 2005 already: "The Wedding Date." Actually, I'm lying.

"The Wedding Date" is a film about Kat, Debra Messing, a single woman who hires Dermot Mulroney, who she found in a magazine, as a date for her sister's wedding, so she will look good in front of her ex-fiancee who dumped her, and her monstrous family (who actually don't show any signs of being as horrible as Messing makes them out to be).

I won't tell you how it ends, but I will say that it is anything but unpredictable. In fact, the word "cliche" came to mind more than six times throughout the progression of this film, "cliche" and "predictable," "contrived" and "really?" Yes, I found myself asking "really" a lot. When watching Dermot Mulroney, I have found it best to cover my ears and just look at him. His ruggedly handsome good looks almost make up for his atrocious acting skills — almost. And what is it about him and wedding movies? "My Best Friend's Wedding," "The Wedding Date" — when can we expect some

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funeral or bar mitzvah work Mulroney? Birthday parties? No?

I want to know where — at exactly what point — in this movie the characters actually fall in love. There was no development — it was like, they meet, they fight a little, they have sex, and then they are suddenly in love. It's just really inconceivable that they would fall in love so quickly.

Don't get me wrong: I'm not one to discount love at first sight, but where was the turning point, because it was not obvious here.

And what is the popular fascination with beautiful escorts saving the day and falling in love? "The Wedding Date" is clearly putting a gender spin on a hackneyed tale; this film rips off "Pretty Woman," which ripped off all the "hooker with a heart of gold" stories that came before it (check out Barbra Streisand's "The Owl and the Pussycat," for example). I mean, all of the elements are there. You have the beautiful redhead and the handsome, well-dressed man, and

although their roles are reversed (the woman hiring the man), the concept is the same. Richard Gere needs Julia Roberts to accompany him to social events so that he will look good in front of his business colleagues, just as Debra Messing needs Dermot Mulroney to be her hunky accessory at the wedding so the ex-beau will swoon and want her back. When her dad asks where she found the gorgeous man, she "jokes" with a line about the yellow pages, just as in "Pretty Woman" when Gere "jokes" that he found Roberts at 976-BABE. There are also striking similarities to "Picture Perfect," the 1997 Jennifer Aniston flick in which Aniston lies about having a boyfriend so her boss will notice her. All of these movies hinge on deception that turns into love. The hookers and their clients, or the false boyfriend and the desperate single woman, run off into the sunset of a world where everything works out, and it is socially acceptable to you lie to everyone you know to avoid minor social embarrass-

ment. It is one thing to take ideas from other movies, and then improve the concept, but this film has failed to do even that.

"The Wedding Date" is one of those movies that tells you what to expect going in, but you still hope for something beyond the simple equation the trailer sets up — something to woo you, if you will, and change your feelings about love at first sexual encounter. Even the title is obvious and bland; the working title of "The Wedding Date" was "Something Borrowed," which was probably the screenwriters' explanation of the storyline.

I will admit my girly admiration for romantic comedies, some of which I would not be eager to mention to a group of film critics and movie buffs, but I am not a romantic comedy slut. I expect some substance and wit, beyond the Grace-like persona of Debra Messing (borrowing from her television show) and the funny one-liners from her cousin T.J. played by Sarah Parish.

"The Wedding Date" — more appropriately titled, "Grace goes to London" — could have been an OK movie in a genre with the same caliber, but instead it was a less than mediocre remake of a movie we've seen 10 times before.

YOUNGSTOWN

'Kilroy Was Here' gives glimpse into U.S. past

By Bill Rodgers
The Jambor

Depression, war, the birth of television, paranoia of communism and a cartoon character named Kilroy are all a part of a traveling interactive exhibit at the Youngstown Historical Center for Industry and Labor.

The exhibit, titled "Kilroy Was Here!," traveled to Youngstown from the Ohio Historical Center in Columbus, where it enjoyed a popular run in 2004. "Kilroy" is a one-room display that takes a close look at the decade of the 1940s from the end of the depression to World War II and the changing lifestyles in the United States.

The exhibit also features pop-culture information from the 40s as well as Ohio's involvement in the decade that changed America.

The displays are arranged in a time-line fashion. It begins with a very life-like living room setting typical to 1940 and ends in another living room from 1949. The living rooms look true-to-life, right down to the smiling mannequin family gathered around an authentic 1949 television set.

In between living rooms, guests are treated to a torrent of information about every year in 1940. The time-line includes major headlines of the day, movie posters, sports trivia and the best-selling novels.

Also on exhibit was a collection of artifacts from every aspect of life in the 40s. Visitors can see one of the first home video cameras, magazines and clothing from the era. From the war, people can see K-rations, gas masks and Nazi flags.

The exhibit also has a small collection of letters that were sent to and from soldiers and their families. You can see what eager GIs waited for every mail call as well as a type of communication called "V-mail," censored letters from soldiers that were sent in rolls of microfilm.

The letters display was one of the more powerful parts in the exhibit. One letter was written from a soldier

to his friend in the states, asking him if he would buy a birthday present for his wife.

Another one was sent from Lathan Pfeiffer to his family. Pfeiffer was a soldier who was killed in battle just hours after writing the words you hold in your hands at the exhibit.

"I am writing this in the hopes that it will never be mailed, as it will be mailed only if something happens to me," the letter reads. "If I don't come out of this thing, I just want you to know that I am thinking of you all the time and that I miss you all the time."

Another great part of the exhibit is the oral histories display. They are videotaped interviews with Ohioans who talk about their experiences with the depression and the war. The oral histories are chocked-full of fascinating stories. Visitors can hear stories from a soldier who was rescued from a Japanese prison camp, a nurse who helped in 100 operations every single day and a sailor who talked about the night sky lighting up with signal flares to celebrate the end of the war.

There's also a set of interviews about the post-war. One woman talks about living in fear of communists. She relates her experience of seeing a video in church of a map of Russia that slowly turns the entire world a dark, red color.

The exhibit on the whole seems a little small, fitting only in one room. But there is a wealth of interesting information and artifacts you can spend hours looking at. Visitors will come away with a lot more interesting trivia than they knew previously. For example, in addition to making bombs and parachutes for the war effort, The US Playing Card Company in Cincinnati also made packs of playing cards with hidden maps of Germany they sent to Allied soldiers in prison camps. The Youngstown Historical Center for Industry and Labor is on West Wood Street in Youngstown. Its hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$3 for students.

NEW YORK

Wacky ads carry the day in Super Bowl, off color humor played down

In light of last year's Super Bowl halftime show, ads, most sponsors weren't taking any chances this year

By Seth Sutel
Associated Press

Sure, Super Bowl ads have been wacky before. Gladys Knight scoring in a rugby game? MC Hammer and a '72 Impala getting hurled over a backyard fence to plug potato chips?

There were plenty of curiosities in this year's crop of ads tailored for the game, the place where the advertising industry goes all-out to show off its most daring, creative work and make the most of the biggest television audience of the year.

What we didn't see was a repeat of last year's rampage of off-color humor.

And no wardrobe malfunctions — unless you count a cheeky spot

from newcomer GoDaddy.com, a vendor of Web site names, that poked fun at the hubbub over the halftime incident from last year with a fake hearing into broadcast decency. An elderly politician clutches for an oxygen mask after a buxom woman's top nearly falls down from a broken shoulder strap.

Some marketing pundits still say that \$2.4 million is too much to pay for a 30-second advertising spot. With so few truly mass audiences left, the networks don't seem to have any problem selling out the full inventory of ads and charging ever-higher prices for them.

This year saw a slew of newcomers, including Volvo, with a clever spot featuring Richard Branson going into space in a rocket. A sticker on the

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side boasts that his other vehicle is a Volvo. This ad even comes with its own promotion, giving viewers a chance to sign up to win a trip into space on commercial space flights Branson is planning.

Ford Motor Co. ran a funny ad toward the start of the Super Bowl in which a tough group of bikers is scared away from a roadside diner after seeing a line of trucks parked in front.

The gang of Hell's Angels look-alikes is spared embarrassment when one of them sheepishly suggests that the salad bar up the road is better anyway.

Several of this year's ads were definitely puzzlers.

Knight appears as a rugby player in a pitch for the credit card issuer MBNA Corp., and both MC Hammer and a '72 Impala come flying over a backyard fence in a spot for Lay's potato chips.

While some of this year's ads may have been somewhat off, they were a far cry from last year's selection that offered crude jokes, including an accidental bikini wax for Cedric the Entertainer, and a guy who squeals in delight when a blast of cold air blows up his kilt, Marilyn

Monroe-style.

Pepsi, a perennial Super Bowl advertiser, referred to one of its own classic ads by showing Cindy Crawford ogling a plain-dressed but hunky guy walking along and sipping on a can of Diet Pepsi as the theme from "Saturday Night Fever" plays in the background.

Crawford herself was the star of a 1992 Pepsi ad where two young boys ogled her as she pulled into a dusty gas station and quaffed a Pepsi in slow motion.

This being 2005, after Crawford and numerous other women are stopped in their tracks by the hunkalicious Diet Pepsi drinker, there's one more pair of eyes caught by the passing stud: those of "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy" host Carson Kressley.

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Vendors from across the country were invited to participate in the African Marketplace, which was sponsored by YSU's Africana Studies department. Entertainment at the marketplace included the Harambee Dance group and the YSU Gospel Choir.

Victor Wan-Tatah, director of Africana Studies, said the African Marketplace is an important highlight of Black History Month. Not only are vendors selling products, but they are also interacting with each other and exchanging notes.

"It is an ideal sample to appreciate African life," he said. The program is in its fifth year and each year it is more exciting, he said.

Vendor Carol Barnes came from upstate New York and

goes as far as Atlantic City to sell imported clothing from India and Africa.

Barnes imports dresses, skirts, pants and shirts from African countries and she attends ethnic festivals to sell different types and colors of clothing.

Little Anthony, however, was more interested in the books and the different artifacts, such as Djembe drums from the African nation of Senegal, he found at the marketplace.

Richard Baker from Cleveland set a table with many objects from numerous African countries.

From ebony wood bowls from East Africa to mahogany Masai warriors from Mozambique, Baker carried a variety of items for attendees to peruse.

LaRyssa Martin, a senior at YSU, said she loved the event.

"I wish they had it more than one time a year," she said.

Martin said she was interested to see what black vendors made with their own hands, and purchased a homemade shea butter moisturizer she said she could not live without. Erick Freeman came from Canton with his own hand made inventions and carvings. One of his inventions was a container made for burning incense without letting ashes go everywhere.

Freeman said he learned how to blow glass at Kent State University and he said he taught himself how to carve the glass.

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bodies everywhere," al-Obeidi said.

The ground was soaked with blood. Nurses collected body parts, putting them in bags.

In a posting on a Web site, the al-Qaida in Iraq group, led by Jordanian militant Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, said "a lion from the Martyrs Brigade" wearing an explosives belt managed to get inside a police post at the Mosul hospital. The claim could not be verified.

There was no claim for the Baqouba attack.

Also Monday, insurgents shelled a police station in Mosul with more than a dozen mortar rounds, killing three civilians, a police official said.

The violence and kidnappings raise new concerns about security following a brief downturn in violence after the Jan. 30 elections, when Iraqis chose a new National Assembly in the first nationwide balloting since the fall of Saddam Hussein in April 2003.

A final tally was expected by Thursday, but initial returns point to a landslide by Shiite Muslim candidates endorsed by their clerics. Shiites are believed to comprise about 60 percent of Iraq's 26 million people.

Many Sunni Arabs are believed to have stayed home, either out of fear of rebel reprisal or because of a boycott call by Sunni clerics.

In the Mosul area, 15,188 were unable to vote because of irregularities, Iraqi election commission officials said Monday. Gunmen looted some polling places, stealing ballot papers, commission official Izzeddine al-Mahmoudi said.

Officials also said first returns showed that Sunnis stayed away from the polls in Salaheddin province, a mostly Sunni area north of Baghdad

that contains Saddam Hussein's hometown of Tikrit.

With results in from 80 percent of the province's polling stations, the largely Shiite United Iraqi Alliance had the most votes with 27,645.

The Kurdish Alliance was next with 18,791 votes.

A party headed by Iraq's Sunni president, Ghazi al-Yawer, received only 15,832 votes.

The faction led by pro-U.S. Prime Minister Ayad Allawi had just over 13,000 votes.

In Sweden, the Foreign Ministry said Monday that it was investigating reports that a Swedish citizen of Iraqi origin was kidnapped last month.

Foreign ministry spokeswoman Aasa Arvidson confirmed that a Swedish citizen in his 60s had been reported missing in Iraq and that Sweden's embassy in Amman, Jordan, was investigating the case.

"He is a Swedish citizen and has been living in Iraq for a couple of years," Arvidson said.

The missing man was identified by newspapers as Minas Ibrahim al-Yousifi, the purported leader of the Christian Democratic Party in Iraq. The Foreign Ministry refused to identify the missing man.

On Sunday, four Egyptian technicians were seized near the Mansour district of western Baghdad, Egyptian and Iraqi officials said. They worked for Iraqna, a subsidiary of the Egyptian firm Orascom Telecommunications, which operates the mobile phone network in Baghdad and central Iraq.

Six other Egyptians working for Iraqna were kidnapped in two separate incidents in

September.

All were ultimately freed although Orascom said at the time that it was committed to continuing its work in Iraq. No group claimed responsibility for the latest abduction.

On Friday, Italian journalist Giuliana Sgrena was kidnapped by gunmen who blocked her car outside Baghdad University. Sgrena, 56, is a veteran reporter for the communist daily Il Manifesto.

A group calling itself the Islamic Jihad Organization claimed Friday to have kidnapped the woman and gave Italy 72 hours to withdraw its troops from Iraq. But it made no threats to kill her or say what would happen if its demands were not met.

The purported kidnappers said in a statement on the Internet that they still were interrogating Sgrena and had given Rome a final warning to withdraw its troops from the country.

On Sunday, the U.S. command denied a report by an Iraqi police captain that 22 Iraqi security troops and 14 insurgents were killed Sunday night when rebels tried to storm a police station in a village south of Baghdad.

In a telephone interview with The Associated Press on Sunday, Capt. Muthana Khalid Ali of the Babil provincial police command had said the attack in Al-Bu Mustafa village, in the Mahawil district, about 50 miles south of Baghdad. He said the fighting raged for about an hour and five Iraqi national guardsmen and 17 police were killed, as well as 14 insurgents.

U.S. command spokeswoman Capt. Patricia Brewer said no attack occurred, citing provincial authorities. Capt. Ali later said he had misread the initial report.

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In 2002, Savage said she felt a lump in her breast and got a mammogram that revealed no traces of abnormality.

"Scared" by the thought of cancer, especially since its appearance coincided with her divorce from the father of her two sons, she contacted a radiologist to absolutely rule out cancer. After undergoing an ultra sound, the doctor said the best method would be to observe the lump for a year, but she still was not satisfied.

The mother of two said she knew she could not wait that long and went to her family physician, who agreed with Savage and sent her to a surgeon.

"The surgeon told me 'God didn't put it there, so let's get it out,'" Savage said.

She had a lumpectomy in 2003. The surgery revealed two types of cancer in the beginning stages — In Situ and invasive.

Savage said In Situ is a form of cancer that attacks only one area, while invasive cancer spreads to other body tissue.

Savage said she was relieved when her lymph nodes showed no sign of cancer and was glad she had not waited to check it out.

"I knew it was there, I could feel it," Savage said. "I'm very fortunate I was so proactive."

After the outpatient surgery, Savage said she underwent seven and a half weeks of radiation and began taking the drug Tamoxifen, which she will continue until 2007.

During what she described as "very painful" doses of radiation, the secretary said she stayed busy by becoming informed about her illness. Though at first scared by the diagnosis, she said once the shock wore off she felt knowledge would prepare her for the days ahead.

Savage said she searched the Internet for information and wrote notes and poems in a journal, the latter of which calmed her during rough periods.

She added that working took her mind off of the cancer. Throughout her illness, she only missed one week of work and found comfort and friendship with her YSU colleagues.

"You don't realize how many people have this or other kinds of cancer," Savage said. "It was nice to have a network of people."

Savage said she goes for a check up every two or three months and besides one "false alarm," feels lucky to be well.

Savage said she became involved in the Relay For Life following her mother's death from lung cancer and now also participates in the Race For A Cure in Cleveland, an event that raises money for breast cancer research. "Be organized, be informed and be proactive," Savage said.

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Communications for the American Cancer Society said.

"The money raised goes toward free programs available to the public by calling the American Cancer Society, scholarships, support groups and it helps patients locally," he said.

Before the relay, teams of 10 to 15 people are assembled and have a goal of raising \$100 per member. During the relay, at least one team member goes around the track.

Marilyn Ward is co-chair of the Relay for Life committee, which began meeting to plan the event in August. Ward said there is much more student involvement in this year's relay. She stressed, however, "anyone can form a team."

Beth MacDonald, income development specialist for the American Cancer Society, said there are currently 28 teams signed up of their 40-team goal and hope to raise at least \$48,000.

The Relay for Life at YSU will begin at 6 p.m. Friday, April 15, with cancer survivors from all over the community taking a ceremonial first lap around the track.

The luminary ceremony will be held at 9:30 p.m. to honor cancer survivors and remember those who lost their lives to the disease. Ward said a luminary can be purchased beginning Feb. 14 for \$5.

In addition to traveling around the track, MacDonald said, there would be entertainment, giveaways and refreshments for participants at the relay.

The oldies-style band First Degree will be performing Friday night and WHOT DJs will make an appearance.

MacDonald said there would also be a Texas Hold 'Em poker tournament and the Miss Relay pageant, where men dress up as beauty contestants to win prizes.

Stabilito also said Wood Dining Service will hold a special dinner for cancer survivors in Beeghly Center during the relay.

Ward said the committee decided upon the relay's theme, "A Countdown to a Cure," because it was "a cool idea that came up in conversation" due to the relay's end at noon Saturday, April 16.


"The relay is a lot of fun and a great experience," Ward said.

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BRIEF

Odo lecture set for Feb. 19
National Security and Racial Profiling after Pearl Harbor: World War II and the Japanese Internment," a lecture by Franklin Odo, director of the Asian Pacific American Program at the Smithsonian Institute, will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb 19, in the Ohio Room of Kilcawley Center.

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he's got so much on his plate already. But after a while, he called me up to his room and wanted to start breaking stuff down.

"He does that so much," said Weis, who is leaving the Patriots staff to take over the head coaching job at Notre Dame, "that he can really be a pain in the butt sometimes."

All the work, though, paid few dividends in the opening 15 minutes. Brady would recall afterward, mistakenly, that the Patriots failed to get so much as a single first down in the quarter. But that was understandable. The all-angles blitzes devised by Eagles defensive coordinator Jim Johnson took away his passing lanes, and the New England running game was still stuck in gear.

To make matters worse, the first real drive Brady cobbled together to start the second quarter ended when he coughed up the ball up at the Eagles 10. First, Brady bounced the ball off his own running back's hip pulling back from center, then he spent the next few seconds clumsily rolling along the ground looking for the handle. No sooner had a few Eagle defenders joined him than tackle Darwin Walker emerged from the pile holding up the ball.

It's never easy to get a read on guys who have been kissed by fortune as often as Brady has.

Despite a stellar career at Michigan, he was a sixth-round draft pick, 199th overall, and his opportunity came along only after the Patriots' front-line quarterback — and \$100 million investment, Drew Bledsoe — went down with an injury. From that day forward, everything about Brady's career seemed permanently charmed.

There was the infamous "Tuck Rule" playoff game against the Raiders and the late drives he led in the Patriots' first two Super Bowl wins that put matching MVP trophies on his mantle. There were dates with starlets, wins piling up in impressive numbers and, through it all, an almost-supernatural cool in the way he handled fame and fortune.

But all of a sudden, Brady

was trailing 7-0 in a game he was supposed to win. The Patriots had gone the entire postseason to that point without a single turnover, only to have their leader turn over a big gift at a very inopportune moment. Instead of panicking, Brady simply reminded himself that's what teammates are for.

"In four seasons," he said, "I've never had a receiver complain about not getting the ball. I've never had a running back complain about not getting enough carries, an offensive line that busts their backs every day."

And then came his turn to pay them back.

The New England defense forced a punt on Philly's next series and gave Brady the ball at his own 37. He spread the ball around to three different receivers, then handed off to Corey Dillon to get to the Eagles 4-yard line. When he dropped back on the seventh play of the drive, Brady's two primary receivers were blanketed and the Eagles defenders were collapsing the pocket on every side of him.

But Brady stood there, surveying the possibilities. Then, at the last possible second, he swung around to his right, where he hadn't so much as turned his helmet even once, and fired a laser to David Givens standing at the far edge of the end zone.

"That was about his third read," Patriots coach Bill Belichick marveled afterward — and this from a coach who rarely marvels about anything.

"That was an outstanding play, because he had to read his progression all the way out. That was a great read and throw."

It wasn't the last one Brady made Sunday night, but it was the one that restored the confidence of a quarterback, a coach and a team that more was on the way.

"They look to me for a lot, and I look to them for a lot," Brady said. "We really stepped up when we needed to."

As usual.

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YSU, Delphi Packard to team up

By Christina Poe
The Jambar

Youngstown State University and Delphi Packard will soon be working together to help students get ahead in the job market.

The two entered into an agreement last week that will give Delphi access to all YSU departments for research.

Wendy Wolfgang, of the university's Marketing and Communications department, said this is the first official partnership between the two.

Yet Wolfgang said it is not the first time they have worked together — Delphi has worked with and donated equipment to the Rayon College of Engineering.

Wolfgang added this partnership would benefit students by providing them with the opportunities to increase their field skills and

attain internships at Delphi.

"Students will get this on their resume and get practical experience," Wolfgang said. "Those will make it easier to get jobs."

Peter Kasvinsky, dean of Graduate Studies and Research, agreed and said such unions provide good opportunities for both faculty and students.

Kasvinsky said getting involved in Delphi research projects would enhance the education process by allowing students and professors to relate the experience to lessons in the classroom. Subjects along the lines of the inner workings of a car's ignition system would most likely be the basis of future projects.

"These are operations behind the scenes," Kasvinsky said. "These are the kinds of things students and faculty can be involved with."

When Delphi wants to engage a certain

department, Kasvinsky said they will put in a purchase order to the university.

Kasvinsky said the "umbrella agreement" will relieve tensions that come with patent and intellectual property negotiations. According to the contract, Delphi will furnish researchers with all supplies, materials, equipment and other items costing more than \$500. The contract also states those same researchers will be able to publish their findings if Delphi approves.

Should Delphi not approve, the publication could be delayed up to 60 days or rejected entirely.

Kasvinsky added that the agreement with Delphi could also lead to opportunities with other businesses in the region.

The agreement is set to expire on Dec. 31, 2006.

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Bonner named YSU Volleyball head coach

Youngstown — Joe Bonner, an assistant coach at the University of Dayton for the last two seasons, has been named Head Coach of the Youngstown State University volleyball program, Executive Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Ron Strollo announced on Friday. Bonner replaces Joe Conroy, who accepted a position at YSU's Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center.

"Coach Bonner has a tremendous amount of energy and enthusiasm for the game of volleyball and we are pleased to welcome him to the YSU family," Strollo said.

Seniors highlight Youngstown State's win over Cal (Pa.)

Youngstown — Seniors Jordan Dunn and Erin Carter picked up two victories apiece to pace Youngstown State University to a 110-80 victory over California University of Pennsylvania on Saturday afternoon at the Beeghly Natatorium.

Senior Kalya Leveto also won twice in exhibition diving events as YSU's 10 seniors competed in their final home meet.

YSU triumphed in seven of the meet's 11 swimming events, including claiming the top spot in the first six events.

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Bowl rings. The Browns aren't just getting a coach. They're buying into a program. They are getting 25 years of experience and knowledge."

Crennel's move to Cleveland is no surprise. It had been expected for weeks, and was only delayed because the Browns weren't allowed to have contact with the 24-year NFL coaching veteran while the Patriots were still playing.

The Browns are hoping Crennel can bring them back to glory, but there's much work to be done.

Crennel, who began his pro coaching career on Ray Perkins' staff with the New York Giants in 1981, will be

Cleveland's third coach since 1999, when the Browns returned to the league as an expansion team.

Since then, the club has gone just 30-67 and lost their only playoff game in 2002. Last year, Cleveland went 4-12. The lone bit of decent news to come out of that woeful season: The Browns will have the third pick in April's draft.

This will be Crennel's second stint with the Browns. He served as the club's defensive coordinator in 2000 under Chris Palmer, who was fired after going just 5-27 in two years. In Crennel's one season in charge of Cleveland's defense, the Browns recorded 42 sacks — a 17-sack

improvement over the previous year.

Before hiring Butch Davis in 2001, the Browns interviewed Crennel, who was a candidate for other openings the past few years but was passed over despite his success and a handful of Super Bowl rings.

But he emerged as the Browns' No. 1 choice during a Jan. 7 interview in Boston with Browns owner Randy Lerner, Collins and general manager Phil Savage, who had been hired that day.

"I put my best foot forward," Crennel said last week. "If their impression was that I floored them, then that's great."

Fittingly, New England's win over Philadelphia was sealed with a defensive stop as safety Rodney Harrison intercepted Donovan McNabb in the closing seconds. As clock wound down, Crennel embraced New England coach Bill Belichick and offensive coordinator Charlie Weis, who is leaving for Notre Dame.

"Bill, Charlie and I got together right as the game was ending and that kind of let you know that it was over, that it potentially was the last time we'll coach together," Crennel said. "But if you have to go out, to go out a winner of the Super Bowl, that's really a special feeling."

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and toughness. The Penguins landed a steal in Steubenville high school standout Antonio Magnone.

Magnone who played quarterback for the Big Red fits the mold of YSU's latest multi-faceted player Matt Rycraft.

"He is more of a line-backer-Rycraft," Heacock said of Magnone.

"Antonio could come here and play fullback. He could play linebacker. He is a tough kid."

Heacock said he believes the Penguin family signed these recruits for all the right reasons.

"We've got guys coming here for the right reasons. I guess that is ultimate thing for me. They like this place."

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The amount of shots taken from 3-point range was not what head coach John Robic wanted.

"I think we took too many three point shots in the first half," Robic said. "Ten in the first half is too many."

In the second half, the Penguins only climbed within 6 points before the Phoenix turned on a fast paced, relentless transition game.

Robic said Saturday's per-

formance by the Phoenix was quite similar to the Penguin's first meeting this season, which saw the Penguins fall 78-55.

"Transition. It was the same thing at Green-Bay," Robic said.

The transition game of the Phoenix provided them points early and often as Green-Bay posted 21 fast-break points to just two from YSU.

Senior Brian Radakovich,

who scored 14 points and led the Penguins in scoring, agreed with Robic. He added Green-Bay's fast paced style was "excellent" on Saturday.

Radakovich provided the offensive spark in the first half by keeping the score close and pounding the ball in the paint scoring 10 points in the first half via physical post play.

"They are physical, the refs let them play and that's the kind of game I like,"

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Antonio Magnone
Quarterback
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Steubenville High School

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Quarterback

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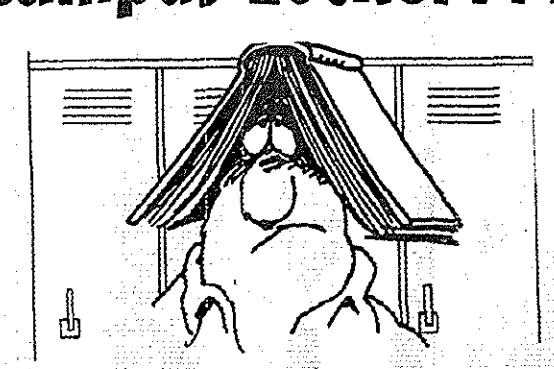
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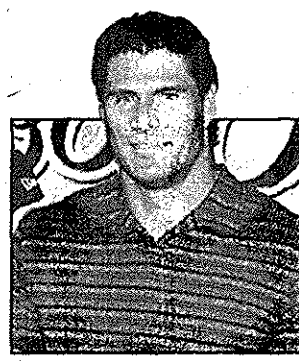
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Where to pick up an application:
Applications are available from Lynn Haug in the Kilcawley Staff Office located on the upper level of Kilcawley Center. One application applies for all three publications—simply check the position(s) you are most interested in.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
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Interviews will be scheduled late March through mid-April. Editor-in-chief interviews will be held the week of March 7, 2005.



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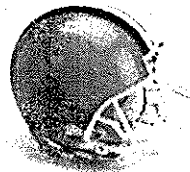
Crennel's new challenge: The Browns

Crennel's agent headed to Cleveland Monday to work out details of a contract

By Tom Withers
Associated Press

From dynasty to disaster. Romeo Crennel is going from one NFL extreme to the other.

Shortly after helping New England win its third NFL title in four years, the Patriots' defensive coordinator accepted an offer to coach the Cleveland Browns, a chance to advance that he once worried would



never come.

"I've been in this business for a little while," Crennel said after the Patriots beat Philadelphia 24-21 to seal their place among the league's best teams ever. "I've always been told if you work hard and you're good at what you do, you'll get an opportunity to move up."

Crennel's agent, Joe Linta, said Browns president John Collins called



CRENNEL

him "about two minutes" after the Patriots' win to offer the 57-year-old Crennel, a five-time Super Bowl winner, his first head coaching job.

"He has accepted, pending us working out a contract," Linta said from Jacksonville, Fla. "Hopefully, we can get it done quickly and he can begin putting together a staff."

Linta was scheduled to arrive in Cleveland on Monday for contract talks at the team's headquarters in suburban

Berea.

As long as things go well, the Browns will introduce Crennel as their 11th full-time coach — and first black coach — in team history on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Linta said he will seek a five- or six-year deal.

"He's not like most first-time coaches," Linta said. "He's a guy with more credentials. Although he hasn't been a head coach, he has five Super

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YSU

Penguin football inks 12 players

By Justin Smolkovich
The Jambar

The Youngstown State University Penguins football team inked 12 new players this past Wednesday who will join three other players currently enrolled at YSU.



The new Penguins signed on to play Wednesday when players were allowed to sign their national letters of intent giving YSU their commitment to join the fall line-up. This year's recruiting class, which contains players from Ohio, Florida, New York, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Illinois, is a group the athletic department hopes will make Penguin fans proud.

"I like the kids we got, they all wanted to be here," head coach John Heacock commented. "I'm excited about them, we even got an eagle scout in there. We got a lot."

This year, the Penguins nabbed three local stars, including a transfer from Michigan State.

Todd Rowan, a 6 foot 3 inch quarterback, Ben Lane, a 5 foot 10 inch, 250 pound full-back and Maurice Smith-Davis, a Michigan state transfer have all joined the roster and add local talent.

"We always feel like giving these guys from home a chance."

Heacock, however, knew the challenge in recruiting a quarterback who may have to wait his turn to grab the reigns, but Rowan, he said, has a lot of upside.

"It's a little bit difficult to recruit a quarterback when you have a redshirt freshman starting," Heacock said. "He is a young guy yet. His future is way ahead of him," Heacock said of Rowan, who was second team all state and threw for 2,604 yards and 22 touchdowns.

Along with adding local talent, Heacock and the Penguins said they needed to shore up the defensive side of the ball. They got what they needed on the defensive line adding bulk upfront, signing three players who average nearly 300 pounds apiece.

Securing the defensive secondary was also a key point for the Penguins. Heacock signed three cornerbacks, including junior college All-American honorable mention Codera Jackson, who will be a junior this upcoming fall.

The Penguins helped fill their needs on special teams by signing kicker and punter Halley Ferrell of DeLand, Fla.

Despite being new to the program, the young players will have every opportunity to prove themselves. The freshmen need to be prepared to contribute.

"All those kids down the page are going to get a chance to play," Heacock said.

Heacock said he and his coaches also looked for moxie

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YOUNGSTOWN

Phoenix torches Penguins

Poor shooting doomed YSU

By Justin Smolkovich
The Jambar

There are some days when it seems that a team can't buy a basket. This was the case for the Penguin men who, despite a strong start, fell 78-49 to the Phoenix of UW - Green-Bay on Saturday.

The Penguins opened the game going on a seven-point run. The Phoenix, however, kept the score close through most of the first half, until at the 7:38 mark the Phoenix took the lead 16-15, never looking back.

The Penguins trailed by nine points going into the half. The Phoenix used transition basketball to make the Penguins pay in a hurry.

Offensively the Penguins could not find the net in the first half, shooting 9 of 33 and only 1 of 10 from behind the arc.

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Shooting struggles

Quinn Humphrey scored 13 points against the UW-Green Bay Phoenix in Saturday's match at Beeghly Center. The Penguins fell to the Phoenix 78-49. (Jambar photo by Chuck Rogers)

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.

Brady cool and collected in Super Bowl win

By Jim Litke
Associated Press

Tom Brady was far from flawless. Except when it mattered most.

A tough week ended sweetly for the NFL's latest matinee idol when the New England Patriots finally wriggled free of the Philadelphia Eagles, 24-21, to claim their third Super Bowl in the last four years. His numbers weren't eye-popping — they never are — but they were good enough, as usual.

The win made Brady 9-0 in the postseason, a record that puts him level with former Green Bay great Bart Starr. It may not be much longer before we stop comparing Brady to Joe Montana and start comparing Montana to him.

Montana is one of only two quarterbacks with more Super Bowl wins, but it took him nine years to collect his four. The other four-time winner, former Steelers great Terry Bradshaw, gathered his in just six years.

That may explain why, just before handing over the Lombardi Trophy to Brady on the field, Bradshaw leaned in and said, "This is not that easy, you do

know that?"

"Oh, believe me," Brady smiled back. "I do know that."

Everybody talks all the time about what Brady has — good looks, money, an icy-cool demeanor, the best team the league has seen in some time — and yet he spent more than a few hours the past few days thinking about what he had lost.

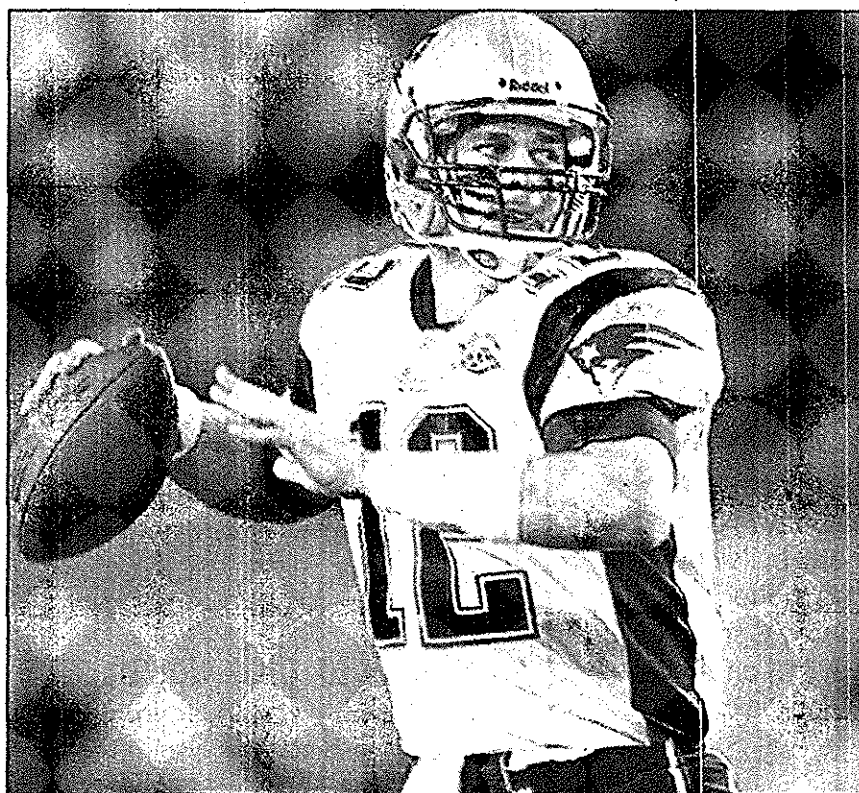
His grandmother, Margaret Brady, died Wednesday night in the San Francisco area at age 94. His thoughts much of the next morning went not to football, but to visits to her backyard swimming pool when he was young, to the Super Bowl parties she hosted in a nursing home the last few years, always calling him afterward.

"I'm sure she'll be looking down on us Sunday," Brady said. "That's one more person up there who will be cheering for us."

Later that evening, though, the grandson was focusing on the job at hand and looking at film.

"It had to be tough," offensive coordinator Charlie Weiss said. "The rest of the family is all back home and

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Playoff perfection

New England quarterback Tom Brady looks to pass against Philadelphia in a Patriot's victory in Super Bowl XXXIX on Sunday.