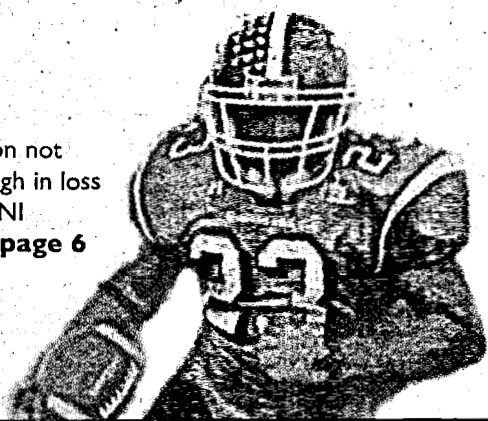


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#### "CityScenes" exhibit opens

An opening reception for the photo exhibit "CityScenes: Faces of the Community" will be held on the second floor of Tod Hall from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday. The exhibit will be displayed in the Rose Marie Smith Gallery

#### YSU program receives award

Meridian Services Inc. awarded The American Humanics Certificate Program at YSU the Excellence in Leadership Award at its second annual awards celebration.

The Humanics Program began in 2001 and was honored for contributions in educating, preparing and certifying professionals to strengthen and lead nonprofit organizations. Jane Reid, YSU professor of marketing and director for Center for Nonprofit Leadership has played a vital role for setting up the certificate program.

#### Careers in Anthropology

A career event titled "Careers in Anthropology: What Can One Do with a Degree in Anthropology and Archaeology" will be held on Thursday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Ohio Room of the Kilcawley Center.

## YOUNGSTOWN

# Subway shocker

YSU students witness armed robbery at Rayen Avenue restaurant

Brian Cetina  
DESIGN EDITOR

Youngstown State University students had a taste of something different at the Subway restaurant on 210 West Rayen Ave. Monday.

According to some eyewitnesses, at 11 a.m. Monday, a man came into Subway, ordered food, went to the checkout register, and pulled a gun and asked the cashier for money.

Subway manager Michele Vonbergen said, "He came to the counter, ordered his food and then showed the cashier his gun."

After the cashier opened the register drawer, the armed man reached over the counter to grab the money from the register. Vonbergen reached for the suspect's hand.

"I grabbed the money from the guy and when I looked at him there was a

pistol in my face," Vonbergen said.

She said he then ran from the restaurant toward campus and Lincoln Avenue.

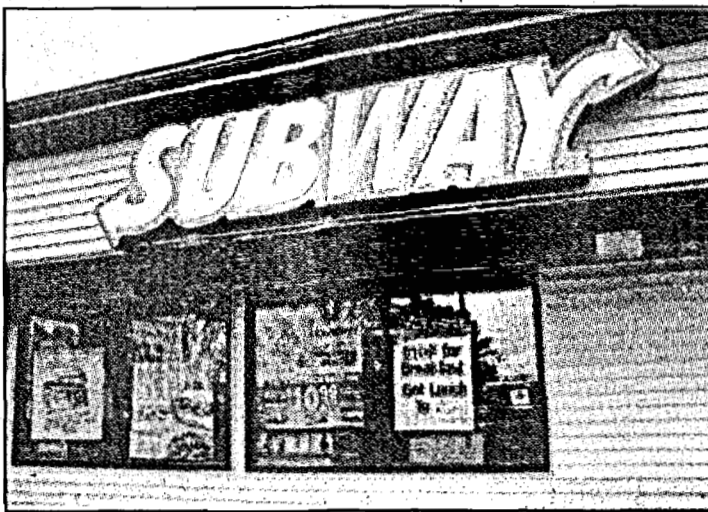
Freshman Ryan Keller described the suspect as a man dressed in all black and wearing a red cap.

"After he showed the gun to the cashier, he turned and made it clear to everyone else in the store that he had a gun, showing it off to everyone," Keller said.

Sgt. Rosemary Marsco of the Youngstown State University Police Department said that by the time YSPD arrived, the Youngstown City Police were already there. Marsco told The Jambar that the suspect was apprehended by the Youngstown Police Department.

Junior Brent Styer said that when the man revealed his gun to customers, they feared for their lives.

"Everyone got under the booths and tables when the gun was drawn," Styer said.



The Jambar/Jenny Boyce

Students were sandwiched between life and death during an attempted robbery Monday at the 210 West Rayen Ave. Subway. The restaurant closed Monday and will reopen today at 8 a.m.

"I'm a black belt and a self defense instructor, and for once in my life I felt helpless."

Other eyewitnesses who spoke to The Jambar said they were also scared, and considered the situation one they never thought they would experience.

Junior Nick Stoian was

one of Subway's Monday morning customers, a majority of which were YSU students eating between classes.

"Everybody just dropped," Stoian said. "Who robs a store at eleven in the morning?"

At press time no report was on file.

## ELECTION 2006

# Smoking issues light up Ohio ballot

Emery Boyle-Scott  
NEWS EDITOR

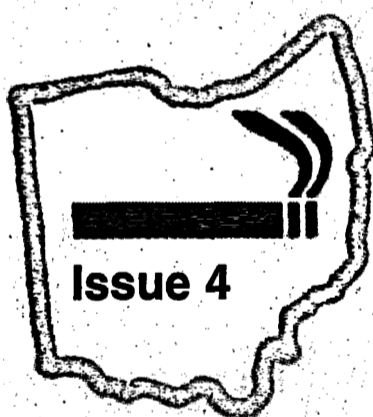
Two issues on the Nov. 7 Ohio ballot may cause confusion among smokers and non-smokers. The controversial Issues 4 and 5 are both concerned with smoking. Issue 4 is an amendment to the Ohio Constitution to protect the 'right to smoke,' and Issue 5 is a statewide ban on smoking.

Janet Boehm, director of clinical respiratory education at Youngstown State University, said, "in a public place we [non-smokers] also have a right to not breathe secondhand smoke."

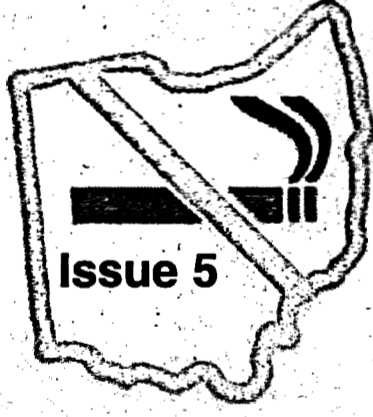
Issue 4, openly supported by tobacco companies, is being called "Smoke Less Ohio."

If passed, Issue 4 would amend the Ohio Constitution to "prohibit smoking in enclosed areas except tobacco

stores, private residences or nonpublic facilities, separate smoking areas in restaurants, most bars, bingo and bowling facilities, separated areas of hotels and nursing homes and race tracks," according



Issue 4



Issue 5

to the Ohio Issues Report published by the Secretary of State's office.

Adopting this constitutional amendment would invalidate any existing ordinance or law that bans or allows smoking. If both Issue 4 and 5 pass, Issue 4 will be the law, and Issue

5 will not be enforced.

Jacob Evans, spokesman for Smoke Less Ohio, wrote an explanation of Issue 4.

"Smoke Less protects the rights of individuals and businesses to make their own personal choices about smoking," James Sudimack, president of the Ohio State Medical Association, wrote in argument against Issue 4.

"Smoke Less Ohio would make it unconstitutional to protect more than half a million hospitality workers and their customers from exposure to secondhand smoke."

If passed, Issue 5 would "restrict smoking in places of employment and most places open to the public," according to the Ohio Issues Report published by the Secretary of State's

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## CULTURE

# Students celebrate end of Ramadan

Adrienne Sabo  
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

Turning the corner onto Harmon Avenue Monday morning, motorists had to be extra careful due to the lines of cars parked on the street.

Police were directing traffic and guiding motorists on where to park because the parking lot was filled.

Muslims from the five-county area gathered at the Islamic Society of Greater Youngstown to celebrate Eid il-Fitr.

Muslims have refrained from eating, drinking, smoking and sexual intercourse between sunrise and sunset for the holy month of Ramadan and now it is their time to celebrate and rejoice.

Sounds of children playing and women mingling could be heard from the top of steps at the entrance. Once inside, the first floor room lit up with the vibrant colors from the traditional dresses worn by the women. The bold greens, golds and purples added to

the celebratory atmosphere. Crafts made by the children hung from the ceilings, displaying the message "Happy Eid," meaning "happy holiday."

The voice of the Imam, Walid Abuasi could be heard over a loud speaker preaching tolerance and peace.

"We must treat people in the best manner we can. Try to help someone in need," he said.

Men and women performed the Eid prayer and children watched their parents praise Allah (God).

Youngstown State University Muslim students were present and celebrated with their family and friends.

YSU junior Seham Ahmed dressed in her traditional dress from Yemen and a hijab around her head, and greeted family and friends as they entered.

"It's a time where we reunite together and pray," she said.

Ahmed arrived at the mosque at 7:30 a.m.

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## YSU

Officials say investigation is almost complete

Maysoon Abdelrasul  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Complaints have been made.

The investigation is not over yet.

Ron Chordas, executive

director in Human Resources, said there were complaints made regarding



Cynthia Hirtzel

Cynthia Hirtzel, dean of the Rayen College of Engineering and Technology. He said there is an internal investigation and it is "almost done."

He said he handed the complaints over to Greg Morgione in the General Counsel.

Morgione returned The Jambar's phone call and said he does not have the complaint documents yet but is sure they are on the way.

Chordas said he wants to interview a few more people - non-faculty members - before the case is finalized.

Before handing anything over to The Jambar, Morgione said he must determine if everything is public information once he has the statements.

In a memo sent by Provost Robert Herbert, Hirtzel will no longer be dean as of Jan. 1, 2007.

Hirtzel said she has health problems and that is one of the reasons she requested reassignment.

Chordas said a new job description must be created to accompany Hirtzel's new title in the Materials Engineering Program.

Some faculty members said they did not write any statements and they do not want to be involved in the investigation.



The Jambar/Adrienne Sabo

ABOVE: Junior Seham Ahmed wishes her friend happy eid or happy holiday.

RIGHT: YSU sophomore Majd Niser dresses in his best clothes to celebrate with his family and friends.



The Jambar/Adrienne Sabo

YSU

# Pre-Med students faced with MCATs

Jenny Boyce  
NEWS REPORTER

Pre-med students will have to put away their pencils when taking their Medical College Admissions Tests starting in January 2007. Students from all over the country will be required to take their MCATs through computerized format, with several changes to the former rules. According to the American Association of Medical Colleges [AAMC], one of the major changes that will take effect will be the number of times the test is administered throughout the year, which will increase from two available dates to 22.

Another change will be the number of times a student can retake the exam.

"Students used to only be allowed to take the test three times and have to submit a petition for a fourth," said Erin Yiannaki, BS/MD coordinator at Youngstown State University. "But now students will be allowed to take the test up to three times each year."

With these new favorable changes come just as many potential pitfalls, according to Matt Fidler, MCAT program manager for Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions.

"It's going to take time to learn how to practice," Fidler said. "Studying is harder to manage this year because students will have to incorporate computer-based skills, which they were not accustomed to in previous years."

The number of questions on the exam will be reduced

by about one-third, which will shorten examination time by 30 percent. Students will now have five and a half hours to take the entire exam, according to the AAMC.

Further changes include limited seating for each test administration, which was previously not an issue when the exams were given by paper.

In a nationwide survey given to pre-med students who were told of the new MCAT exams, Kaplan found that 82 percent feared performing worse on the computerized test, most citing that they had never taken any sort of computerized academic exam.

On YSU's campus, some pre-med students are optimistic about the new regulations.

"[The changes] definitely sound like a good thing," said freshman Anthony Berdis, a newcomer to the pre-med field. "Before, there seemed to be a lot of negatives, with only being able to take it twice a year and three times in your life."

Senior Alex Heintzelman felt the new exams would reduce stress for most students, who will now have the option of retaking the test without a maximum limit.

"From personal experience, I felt completely worn out during the last portion of the [old version] MCATs, from having taken the test for the prior six hours," Heintzelman said. "I don't know that I could concentrate to my full potential during this time."

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office. Paul Sracic, YSU political science professor, said Issue 4 "would bind the hands" of local legislature, and would not allow lawmakers to reflect the changing needs of constituents.

Sracic said it "is hard to see, in many ways, [how] this belongs in a constitution." State constitutions are meant to be a broad framework, allowing for smaller areas to provide detailed laws, Sracic said.

American Cancer Society, American Heart Association and American Lung Association, along with many doctors and hospitals,

have joined with SmokeFreeOhio to support Issue 5 on Nov. 7.

SmokeFreeOhio said, in its argument and explanation in support of Issue 5, the SmokeFree Workplace Act, Issue 5, will "eliminate secondhand smoke in all public places and workplaces; offer equal protection against secondhand smoke to all workers and customers; and create one fair, level playing field for all businesses."

Evans, supporter of Issue 4, said in the argument against Issue 5, the proposal is "a near total ban on smoking across the state."

Boehm said Issue 5 is the

most important issue on the ballot for health concerns, and that the "most important thing is to defeat four and vote for five."

William Binning, chair of YSU's political science department, said citizens in Ohio can create a law or amendment and have it voted on if it has enough petition signatures. Both Issue 4 and 5 are examples of this.

Voting is Tuesday, Nov. 7 from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. I.D. is required to vote. Detailed information is available from Ohio's Secretary of State's Web site: <http://www.sos.state.oh.us>

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to begin celebrating with family and friends until 1 p.m. Then she headed to the YSU for classes. She said when she returned home she spent the rest of the evening with her family.

YSU senior Nijma Awadallah said the fast is used as a cleansing period.

"It gives me a sense of discipline and it is something that I am doing for God," she said.

YSU students in attendance realized the importance of the holiday and chose to take time away from class to celebrate.

YSU sophomore Finoon Omar said she

missed classes and postponed a test Monday to attend the celebration.

"It's a family tradition," she said.

Awadallah said, "This is more important. I explained the holiday to my professors and they understood."

The holiday creates a sense of unity and helps her remember what is good in Islam, Awadallah said.

"It helps me remember this is how we are supposed to be all the time," she said.

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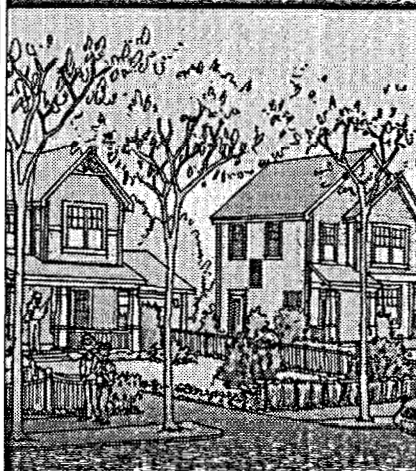
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### OUR SIDE

## Homecoming 2006

What do wax molds, airbrush tattoos, pumpkins, radio stations, music video bingo, flowers and football have in common? Homecoming Week 2006.

Despite the Penguin loss to Northern Iowa Saturday, the rest of Homecoming Week turned out well. Just because Saturday ended on a down-note doesn't make the whole Homecoming hoop-la worthless.

It certainly was quite the celebration. The festivities were so extensive that both sides of an 11x17 sheet of mint-green paper was needed to explain and promote them. It'd be difficult to find a student who wasn't touched by the events of Homecoming 2006.

The free stuff and events offered in Kilcawley Center drew the attention of many students, maybe even every student, who walked through Kilcawley during school hours between last Monday and Saturday.

A root beer keg party, three eating contests, free goodies, a radio station at the campus core every day and more livened up Youngstown State University, and provided the last outdoor hurrah before Wednesday's cold, wind-spitting snow.

Jocko the Clown's balloon animals, the wax hands and airbrush tattoos were particularly popular. Any YSU student (who waited) got to tote home at least one of these trophies.

The eating contest and green T-shirts weren't only great for the photo-op; they united students and made coming to school particularly fun.

On the serious side of Homecoming Week, we support the whole notion because festivity and cheer are important concepts for unifying a large group of people. Homecoming 2006, just like Homecoming 2005, 2004 and so on, all nurtured a sense of school pride in all of us students.

So take that wax mold of the human hand, a decorated pumpkin and sand art, and stack them up on the school pride shelf. We should all be proud to be a part of YSU.

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### COMMENTARY

## Citizenship and the AMA

Jack Labusch  
SUPPORT SERVICES

You're a farmer. You feed 80 of 100 people. That's good, right? You feed 100 of 100 people. That's bad, right?

The American Medical Association (AMA) has successfully sold this philosophy as applied to health care to political elites and the American public for 70 years.

James Madison warned in "The Federalist No. 10" of the power of faction to work against the interests of citizens and community. Citizens and solons seem to have given up their deliberative responsibilities to the AMA's secretive house of delegates. The AMA's political influence as a result is so great and so obstinate that presidents relent and whole legislatures cave to its policy demands. That's why the AMA appears to me to be an extra-Constitutional power in its own right.

For that reason, I believe universal health care will only come when political leaders seriously consider Constitutional seizure with fair compensation of private medical practices and hospitals to remedy a health care system gone very wrong.

The AMA is not a medical practice. A cruel and implacable political lobby, the AMA ruthlessly polices its practitioners' medical monopoly and defends their restraint of trade against whomever they please, such as cash patients, who have

been politically marginalized as the "medically uninsured".

The consequences of the AMA's success have been horrific. World's highest per capita health costs. Health care performance indices descending to Third World levels in some cases. Jobs hose-piped to Canada and Asia. Millionaire doctors; billionaire insurance executives. Tens of thousands annually, prematurely dead. Hundreds of thousands impoverished. Tens of millions living in chronic anxiety they'll be denied health care until it's too late.

Blame Alexander Fleming. The Scotsman's penicillin was so miraculous it obscured what Hippocrates had seen clearly 2,500 years ago among the practitioners of his day. Physicians then abused the unique intimacies of the examining room to extort gold and favors from their masters. Today, the AMA wrests political concessions from fearful legislatures, and sabotages rationalized health care distribution without the slightest public examination.

While the prospect for universal health care in Ohio or any other state seems bleak, here are suggestions that may help prepare citizens for the political challenges ahead.

(1) Mathematical tough love - We'll need a trained mathematician with an interest in actuarial statistics and a flair for a popular audience to pose many questions that need to be addressed before meaningful health care debate can begin.

Here are sample questions:

(a) What does health insurance actually insure?

(b) Your annual risk of acute appendicitis is known to the insurer to be about 1 in 4000. The insurer sets aside about \$5.50 per risk pool enrollee to cover the expected payout for emergency appendectomies. Your medically uninsured cousin drinks too much and drives a beaten-up pickup truck. What is his annual risk of acute appendicitis?

(c) What happens when you hitch a "partial universal" insurance risk pool for the elderly (such as Medicare) to thousands of employer-paid, discretionary risk pools, while leaving about 20% or more of the public as "full-risk" cash patients?

(d) You're a pathologist with a private reference lab. It's 1968. You're swamped with Medicare-related work. You purchase one of Leonard Skeggs's (YSU 1940) revolutionary continuous flow analyzers. Three years later, you're a millionaire. Why?

(e) Two 100-man companies, one American and one Canadian, both announce wage and benefits freezes. The American firm's total labor costs increase 15% the following year anyway; the Canadian's stay stable. Why? To maintain price, the American firm outsources its sales to a manufacturer's rep, defers maintenance, and scraps plans to purchase a new CNC machine. What happens to its

competitive position?

(f) Why is the wrong person always the next person in the enrollment queue for an employer-paid risk pool?

The AMA opposes single-payer health care and insists on discretionary commercial health insurance contracts, such as the odious "family" plans. We'll need a mathematician to help reveal the bloodletting done America's political economy.

(2) Monitor AMA policy positions - So-called tort reform was passed in Ohio without evidence of a single unsubstantiated medical malpractice suit ever having been brought forth. Does that tell you something?

(3) Monitor health care-related articles in foreign publications - You'll find health care controversy aplenty in Canada, the UK, and elsewhere, but not a single mention of how other industrialized countries deal with their medically uninsured citizens. Why?

(4) Encourage Valley physicians to publicly dissent from the AMA - Aloof by training and income, and fearful of retaliation by professional colleagues, medical doctors and other health professionals must be encouraged to distance themselves from the AMA. The Chicago-based Physicians for a National Health Program (www.pnhp.org) is a good place to start for physicians tired of taking direction from the AMA's commissars. JL.

## Wish it were your idea?

McClatchy  
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE  
(MCT) -

You've had get-rich-quick ideas, right? Freeze-dried beer? The diaper that changes itself? Chances are, those ideas are sitting in the sock-drawer of your brain.

So when you heard that the creators of YouTube recently sold their little video-sharing Web site to Google for \$1.65 billion, you probably did one of two things.

Marvel at American ingenuity.

Kick yourself because it wasn't your idea.

It was the idea of Chad Hurley, 29, and a couple of former University of Illinois students, Steve Chen, 28, and Jawed Karim, 27. They founded YouTube 20 months ago in a garage. They wanted to share videos over the Internet with friends. They had an inkling that others armed with video cameras and some editing software just might want to do the same thing.

Boy, were they right. Today people from all over the world watch more than 100 million video clips - on subjects from pop culture to politics - each day on YouTube.

They watched Lonelygirl15,

whose two-minute videos of Midwestern life created a mystery sensation. They watched Sen. George Allen, R-Va., embarrass himself when he singled out a student who was assigned by a political opponent to tail him. "Let's give a welcome to macaca here - welcome to America," Allen said. That turned into the video seen around the world.

"If it happens, it's on YouTube," said Josh Bernoff, a digital video analyst with Forrester Research. "The site creates an echo chamber for popular culture, whether it's with clips or parodies, and it has greatly contributed to the

change in the way we see media."

Google has some kinks to work out with YouTube - such as how to make money off its \$1.65 billion toy and how to keep the videos from running afoul of copyright laws. But here's the coolest thing about the site: Not only does its creation embody the spirit of invention, it fosters more invention. Create something, and YouTube gives you an audience for it.

But you can't create YouTube. That one's already taken.

# HOMECOMING



**ABOVE:** Sarah Gavalier and Wasilwa Mwonyonyi were crowned 2006 YSU Homecoming Queen and King.



**ABOVE:** Sports alumni inducted into the Youngstown State University Athletics Hall of Fame at halftime of Saturdays game.

**BELOW LEFT:** Penny and Pete waving at the camera

**BELOW RIGHT:** YSU cheerleaders pump up the crowd.

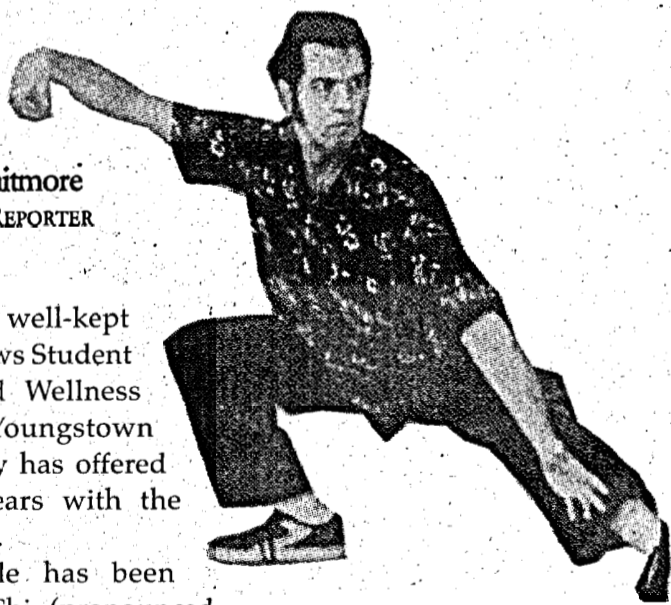


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## HEALTH

# Tai-Chi preaches whole-body awareness

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FEATURES REPORTER



Tai Chi is a well-kept secret at Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, but Youngstown State University has offered it for eight years with the same instructor.

Mark Pringle has been studying Tai Chi (pronounced ty-gee) since he was 17, and teaching it for over 35 years.

He began taking Kung Fu lessons in Akron at the only place that offered it, and learned about Chinese culture and language from his instructors as the years passed.

After bowing slightly at an incoming student, Pringle nods.

"All my instructors were from China, and I was fascinated by it all ... Chinese philosophy and the culture ... The food is excellent!"

Pringle believes that every student can do Tai Chi.

"It really is good for everyone. It brings a sense of physical awareness of your body. I've taught blind students and mentally handicapped students, and senior citizens even benefit from this training."

Pringle explains Tai Chi as a

martial arts discipline that improves balance, circulation, muscle strength and coordination.

"The whole-body awareness is an important feature. When you're walking to class you never think, 'What's my toe doing?' but in Tai Chi, you do."

Teaching his class, Pringle explains the movements are slow because it takes more coordination and balance and strength to do anything.

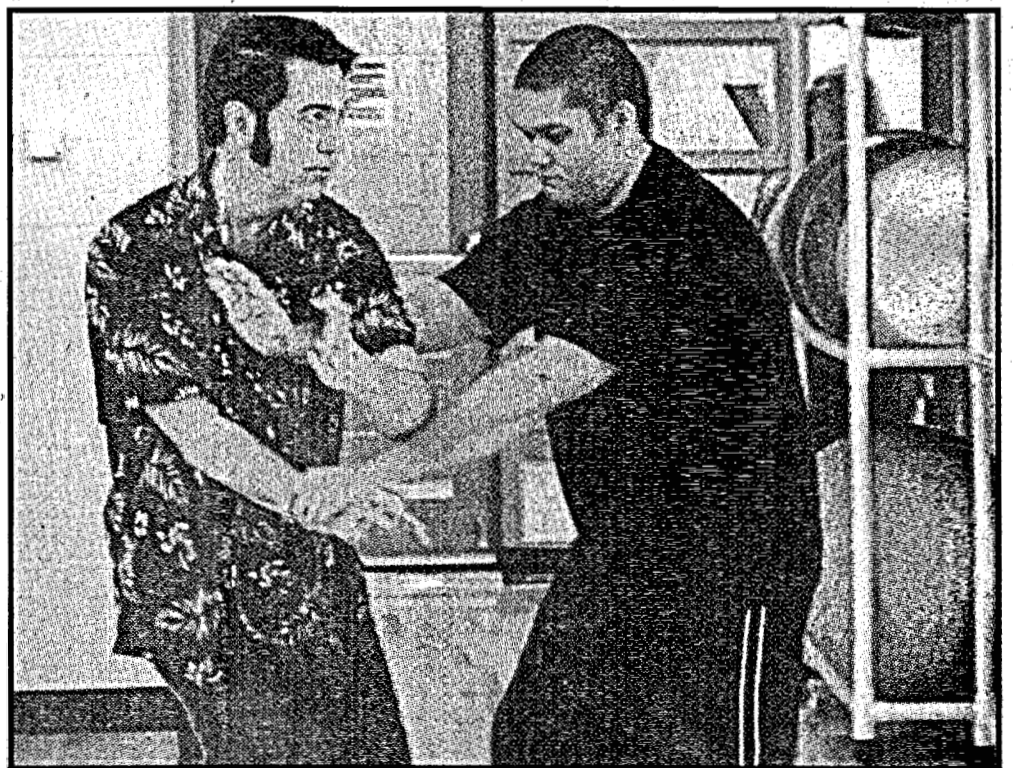
Pringle took the time to show that Tai Chi is a practice that students can grow in.

"You never have to retire from it like you do from other disciplines and sports."

Eric Wistum has been Pringle's student for five years.

"Tai Chi is a lifestyle ... It's improved my health, sense of self and control," Wistum explained.

Pringle has taught seminars for professors utilizing Tai Chi as a way to understand movement for theater students. He expounds on one of the princi-



Instructor Mark Pringle shows the different Tai-Chi move to his class.

ples, saying, "Ying and yang are important to Tai Chi. It makes you understand that there's a balance between motion and stillness. Even after we die, there's movement and change. It's part of the human process, not just in our minds, but even down to a physics level."

Wistum agrees.

"You can see the entire world when you dissect ying and yang. It changes how you think

and understand the world. When I first started this ... I thought it was so hard and intimidating ... but I kept with it, and he [Pringle] kept with me."

Tai Chi classes are Mondays between 3 and 4 p.m. in Studio A of the Wellness Center.

ACADEMICS

# Academia seeks higher GPA than employers

Ashley Tate  
REPORTER

Getting good grades can be a plus for students who have scholarships and must maintain a certain grade point average to keep them. But in the job market, sometimes employers don't stress these same academic standards.

According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers' "Job Outlook 2005" survey, 70 percent of hiring employers did admit that they screen applicants based on their GPA, but the largest group of them said their cutoff was a 3.0.

In an article by CareerBuilder.com writer Laura Morsch, she said a high GPA is important for those students who plan on attending top graduate schools such as Harvard medical school (3.8 average GPA), Yale law (3.9) or Stanford business school (3.6).

Some students have no choice but to keep their GPA up because of scholarships. Junior Christa Flora has the Dean's

Scholarship for which the minimum GPA is a 3.5. She said her scholarship is on academic probation because she got a 3.4 for the spring semester and could face the possibility of losing it if she falls below a 3.5 two semesters in a row.

Morsch said an employer is more likely to pick an applicant with exceptional grades, but that doesn't mean an applicant with mediocre grades can't "land a competitive job with a prestigious company."

Jay Gordon, English professor, said, "Employers who don't look closely at an employee's academic record may want to think about that more."

For some students, that might be a wake-up call if an applicant with so-so

grades lands the same job as them, or better.

"If someone got the same job or a better job than I did, and my grades were better, I would feel like the employer slapped me in the face. It would be as if all my hard work didn't make a difference and I could have slacked off more because it wouldn't [have] helped me," Flora said.

Junior Tonie Marie Gordon said, "I would want to know what made the applicant more desirable than me."

Some students juggle school and full-time jobs, and Morsch said that "employers understand students have different circumstances and take a university's reputation into consideration. [But] they also under-

stand working to pay your way through school and extracurricular involvement ... can lower your academic marks."

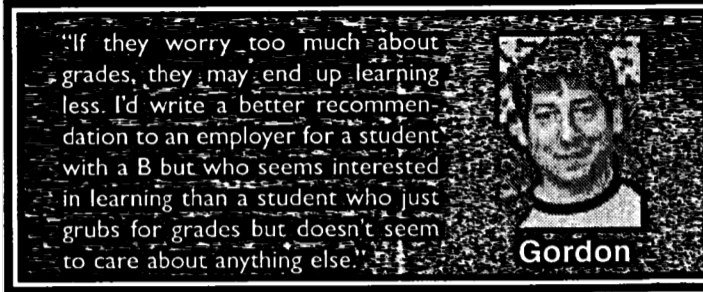
Junior Chris Haddle said, "For my company [Champs] that I work for, if you go to school you're not allowed to be a manager."

"I would settle for mediocrity knowing that I could get a position based on my personality versus my academic my skills. I'm not the brightest kind in the box," he added.

"I would probably not feel as much pressure to maintain a high GPA if I knew it wouldn't put me any [further] ahead in the game than my competitors," Flora said.

There may be other students like Haddle who have mediocre grades, but the advice that Gordon has for all students is to "focus on learning."

"If they worry too much about grades, they may end up learning less. I'd write a better recommendation to an employer for a student with a B but who seems interested in learning than a student who just grubs for grades but doesn't seem to care about anything else," Gordon said.



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STUDY

## Don't lie on your resume, experts say

Renee Hardman  
REPORTER

Think it's all right to lie on your resume? Think again.

A survey by CareerBuilder.com entitled "Resume Lies" was taken from June 6 to June 16 by 1,000 hiring managers and more than 2,200 workers.

The survey revealed that 57 percent of hiring managers have caught a lie on a resume. Out of 57 percent, 93 percent of those managers refused to hire the "liar."

Although only 5 percent of the 2,200 workers admitted to lying on their resumes, 43 percent of managers said they would fire a worker as soon as a lie surfaced.

"Catching a lie in a resume raises a red flag about a candidate's overall ethics," Rosemary Haefner, vice president of Human Resources for CareerBuilder.com, said.

According to ResumeVerify.com, a company that verifies prospective hires' resumes for employers, "statistics state that if you reviewed 100 resumes, a whopping 75 percent of them would reveal a fib, fallacy, or some outright lie."

What are the most common lies on resumes?

According to the survey, past employers, academic degrees and institutions, technical skills and certifications, accomplishments and stretched dates to cover unemployment are the "most commonly-caught resume lies."

Some employers take relief with companies like ResumeVerify.com, located in Florida with licensed investigators and certi-

fied fraud examiners, and BackTrack, located in Mentor, Ohio. BackTrack is a nationwide pre-employment screening and background checking company.

In fact, "92 percent of hiring managers say they conduct background checks on employees. That means even the smallest inconsistency or embellishment is likely to get noticed and could cost you the job," Haefner said.

BackTrack's mission statement informs future employers to use their company because

"Conducting a thorough background check not only facilitates smart hiring decisions by providing a complete picture of the applicant, but can also significantly reduce an employer's risk of negligent liability. The average negligent hiring jury award is over \$600,000."

Why do people lie if the risk is so great?

An article written by Joy Buchanan in the San Diego Union Tribune asks the same question to Ronald Simms, a professor of business ethics and leadership at the College of William and Mary's Mason School of Business.

"Over time, the lie snowballs as the person lies again to cover up the original fabrication. I've seen people who forgot what they put on their resumes; some people actually convince themselves that they earned degrees they lied about before," Simms said.

As for recent college graduates who may have lied on their resumes, "most experts say young people trying to make themselves stand out in an extremely competitive job market are most likely to lie on their resumes," Buchanan said.

**Famous people who lied on their resumes**

**George O'Leary**  
Former Notre Dame football coach

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Marcus Mason is our "Jambar Penguin Player of the Game" for his performance in YSU's 31-23 loss to the University of Northern Iowa Panthers.

This is Mason's third consecutive Jambar Player of the Game award and fourth of the season.

The senior running back recorded his third highest rushing total of the season as he went for 172 yards on 33 carries and three touchdowns - his third three-touchdown game of the year. Mason also averaged 5.2 yards per carry and was never stopped for a loss.

### FOOTBALL

# Mason is not enough in loss to UNI

## Penguins fall to No. 7 ranked Panthers 31-23

Jake Glavies  
SPORTS EDITOR

After posting the biggest game of his career in last week's 35-28 win over Western Illinois, senior running back Marcus Mason and the Youngstown State University offense looked to continue their dominance against a stout University of Northern Iowa defense.

Although Mason finished with 172 yards on 33 carries and three touchdowns, it wasn't enough as YSU fell 31-23 to UNI.

Due in part to four costly interceptions by quarterback Tom Zetts - one of which came on the Penguins' final offensive series - and a key fumble by punt returner Jason Perry, Youngstown dropped to third in the Gateway Conference with a 6-2 record.

According to Mason, YSU's five total turnovers were too much for the team to overcome.

"It [the loss] was a reality check. There's no way [the team] can win a game with [five] turnovers, it's not going to happen. We didn't execute

today," he said.

The running back's play was the lone bright spot for the offense.

Through the Penguins' first two drives of the game, the Potomac, Md. native rushed for 52 yards on just nine carries, but wasn't able to find the end zone.

Down 17-3 with 10:02 left in the second quarter, Mason put the team on his back, as he picked his way for 40 yards on five attempts before capping the 52 yard drive with a 9-yard touchdown run.

After pulling the team to within a score, the runner began the second half with a slicing 1-yard touchdown that tied the game 17-17.

YSU was forced to again play catch-up after falling behind 24-17 - the result of a 70-yard touchdown pass from Panthers quarterback Eric Sanders to wide receiver Johnny Gray.

Carrying the score's burden along with the football, the 5-foot-9-inch, 215 pound running back elevated his game with another 1-yard score, giving him three on the day and 15 for the season.

A blocked extra-point attempt left the score 24-23 with 10:58 left in

the fourth quarter.

This would be Mason's last major action of the night as the score began to dictate the selection of run and pass plays.

Down by eight points with 1:02 left to play, Tom Zetts was intercepted by UNI cornerback Dre Dokes - ending the Penguins' quest for the tying score.

His ascension to third in rush yards and second in touchdowns in all of Div. I-AA football wasn't enough for Mason, as Youngstown couldn't pull out the win.

"It [statistics] means nothing because we lost. It's what it comes down to, if you win or lose, it just means nothing," he said.

### Season Stats

**Yards:** 1071  
**Attempts:** 165  
**Touchdowns:** 15  
**Average:** 6.5  
**Long:** 95

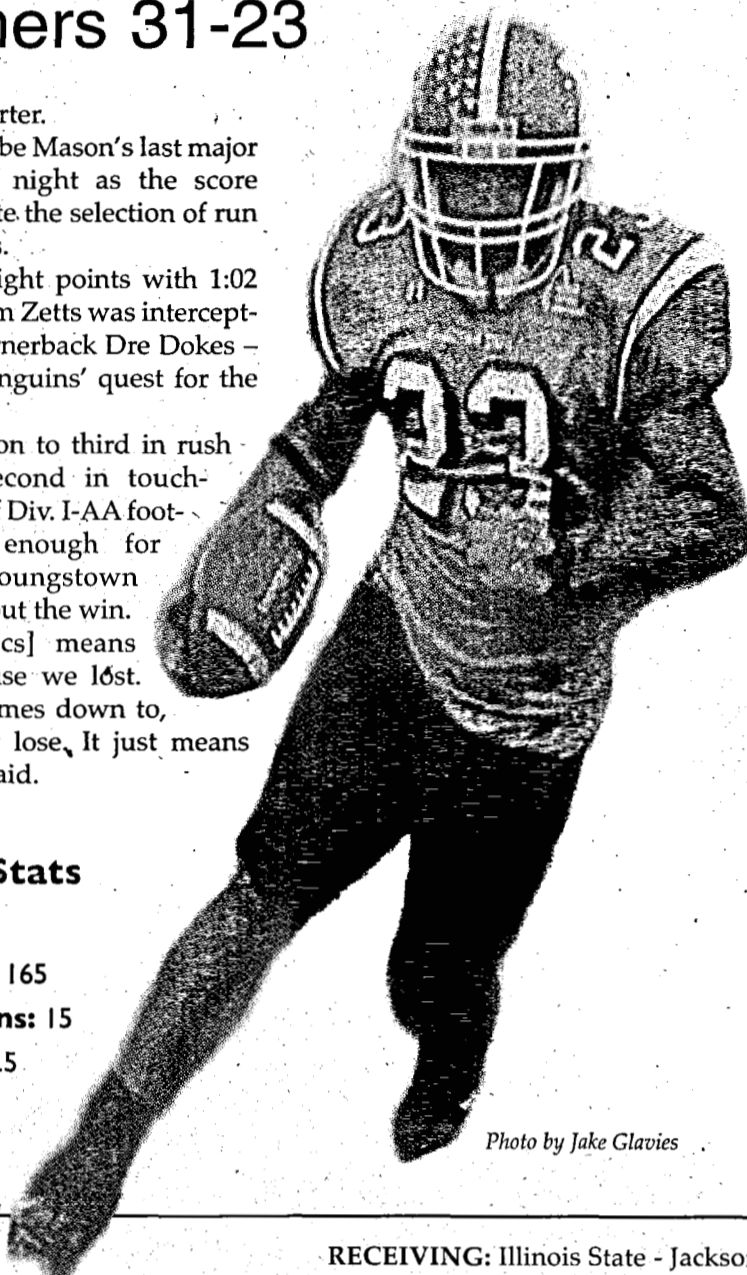


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### I-AA TOP 25

1. Appalachian State
2. Montana
3. Illinois State
4. Massachusetts
5. James Madison
6. North Dakota
7. Northern Iowa
8. Furman
9. Cal Poly
10. Youngstown
11. New Hampshire
12. Tennessee-Martin
13. Richmond
14. Eastern Illinois
15. Maine
16. UC Davis
17. Hampton
18. Princeton
19. Southern Illinois
20. San Diego
21. Portland
22. Coastal Carolina
23. Harvard
24. Montana State
25. Delaware

Teams YSU will face in blue  
Source: The Sports Network

## Scores, Stats and Standings from around the Gateway

Western Kentucky 27 (4-3)  
(19) Southern Illinois 24 (5-2)

With this loss, Southern Illinois fell to fifth place in the Gateway Conference. Western Kentucky's big victory propelled them to fourth in the conference.

**PASSING:** Western Kentucky - Haddix, Justin 19-29-0-268  
Southern Illinois - Hill, Nick 7-14-1-71.

**RECEIVING:** Western Kentucky - Gaebler, Jake 10-133; Quinn, Jessie 5-100; Tamme, Seth 2-35. Southern Illinois - Jones, Braden 2-27; Wise, J.T. 2-20; Goforth, Phil 2-19

**RUSHING:** Western Kentucky - Moore, Leiron 34-121; Smith, Brandon 4-14; Haddix, Justin 4-8; TEAM 2-minus 2. Southern Illinois - Randle, John 9-71; Whitlock, Arkee 15-66; Wise, J.T. 1-0; Hill, Nick 4-minus 8.

(3) Illinois State 27 (6-1)  
Western Illinois 14 (3-5)

Illinois State continued its dominance by defeating in-state rival Western Illinois. The win notwithstanding, Illinois State remained No. 3 in the Div. I-AA Top 25 and moved to No. 1 in the Gateway Conference.

**PASSING:** Illinois State - Drone, Luke 14-20-0-179  
Western Illinois - LaFalce, Steve 23-40-2-299.

**RECEIVING:** Illinois State - Jackson, Pierre 3-44; Western Illinois - Sims, Carl 9-153; Zwierzynski, JR 7-90; Thomas, Marco 4-45

**RUSHING:** Illinois State - Rembert, Pierre 39-230; Rice, Rafael 6-29; Western Illinois - Donaldson, Herb 11-45; Thomas, Marco 1-18; Milton, Javid 3-15

Missouri State 22 (1-7)  
Indiana State 28 (1-7)

The winless Indiana State Sycamores earned their first victory of the season as they defeated the Missouri State Bears Saturday. Although the Sycamores are only 1-7 overall, their Gateway record of 1-3 has put them ahead of Western Illinois and Missouri State in the conference standings.

**PASSING:** Missouri State - Horner, Tyler 17-33-1-233  
Indiana State - Schmidt, Ben 18-27-0-202

**RECEIVING:** Missouri State - McElvane, Tamar 5-89; Nicholson, Jeremy 4-67; Geisz, Chris 2-28; Davis, Eric 2-26  
Indiana State - Robinson, Jeremy 7-77; Logan, Sam 4-37; West, Tony 3-30; Berman, Carl 2-38

**RUSHING:** Missouri State - Davis, Gerald 11-76; Cooper, Michael 19-58; Horner, Tyler 14-32  
Indiana State - Schmidt, Ben 14-51; West, Tony 13-42; McCulley, Bryan 3-28

### COMMENTARY

## Lesson should be learned from "Quarrel in Coral" college football rumble

Andrew Berry  
JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR

The theme of the Oct. 14 college football game between the Florida International University Golden Panthers and the University of Miami Hurricanes at the Orange Bowl in Coral Gables, Fla. was evidently themed "brawl like a street gang night."

Instead of providing a quality display of athletic sportsmanship, the two teams educated the fans on how to properly throw a fit.

Following an insignificant third-quarter extra-point attempt by the Hurricanes, players from both sides became involved in a fracas. Tempers were lost and the game exploded into an all-out fight, complete with punching, stomping, helmet swinging and body slams.

Once the dust had settled and no WWE champion was declared, a total of 13 players were ejected from the game.

Miami would go on to win the game 35-0, but that was no longer the topic of discussion.

It was time to hand out punishments.

The Atlantic Coast Conference sentenced 13 Miami players to a one-game suspension. The Sun Belt conference decided that 18 players from FIU would also sit out one game.

Florida International immediately dismissed two players from the team while suspending the other 16 indefinitely. Miami responded by further suspending one player, but felt the punishment for the other 12 was good enough.

It seems only FIU understands the concept of reaping what you sow.

Hurricane senior and team captain Brandon Meriweather was clearly seen stomping on Golden Panther players during the melee, yet he and fellow Hurricane players won't be subject to further discipline by the university.

Miami president Donna Shalala

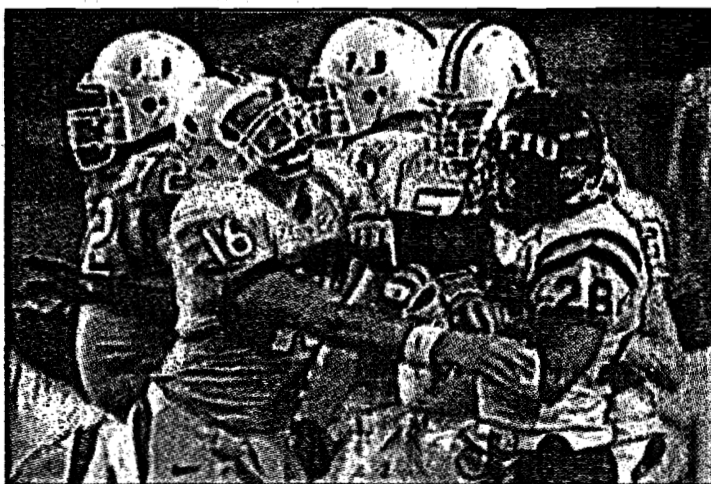


Photo by MCT Campus

The University of Miami's Benny Fernandez exchanges blows with Florida International University's Chris Smith after an extra point attempt during the teams Oct. 14 match-up. Miami would go on to win the game 35-0.

agreed with the sanctions administered by the ACC. Shalala also admitted that she has not personally reviewed any tape of the brawl, a flagrant foul for anyone in her position.

The actions of Miami's president are in no way indicative of the discipline wielded by other universities.

An altercation similar to the "Quarrel in Coral" occurred

between Gateway Conference foes Western Kentucky University and Western Illinois University following a playoff game in 2002.

WKU head coach Jack Harbaugh permanently dismissed the player most flagrantly involved in the incident before his team even left the stadium. A total of 27 players were suspended and both teams were placed on probationary status.

Gateway Conference Commissioner Patty Viverito commended the action taken in response to the Western Kentucky and Western Illinois post-game brawl.

"The follow-up by both teams and the league overall was exemplary," Viverito said.

The swift and serious action immediately taken by the Gateway and the universities far surpasses that of either Miami or

the ACC.

"This unfortunate incident is a continuing reminder to our teams, coaches and fans of the importance of sportsmanship," Viverito said.

So what made the University of Miami so stingy with its disciplinary actions?

Money, and a lot of it. By not properly removing key players from the roster, the university is protecting the chance that the Hurricanes will win more games and earn a bowl invitation at the end of the season.

With a bowl appearance, the school would receive a large payout, similar to Youngstown State University's compensation for its game against Penn State University earlier this season.

Shalala and the Miami Hurricanes should be embarrassed for tolerating punishments that lack serious impact. No one will learn a lesson from sitting out a single game.

In the end, Meriweather got a slap on the wrist, and the 700 Miami area children who attended the game got a lesson in gang warfare.