

## **Ron Strollo appointed executive** director of intercollegiate athletics

His integrity accounts for high marks in the selection process.

### BY MIKE SANTILLO Jambar Reporter

President David Sweet announced yesterday that Ron Strollo has been officially named the executive director of intercollegiate athletics.

Strollo will become the 11th athletic director in YSU history.

At 31, Strollo has become the youngest Division I Athletic Director in the nation. He will take over for Pauline Saternow, who was serving as interim athletic director after Jim Tressel left for The Ohio State University.

During the press conference at the DeBartolo Stadium Club in Stambaugh Stadium, Sweet praised Strollo.

"Ron brings thorough knowledge and tremendous integrity to the program. His integrity was a key characteristic in his hir-

privileged to have an individual like him in charge."

Strollo was a captain on the Penguins 1991 National Championship Team. He also earned his bachelor's degree in accounting from YSU in 1993.

Sweet spoke highly of Strollo's role in the recent switch to the Horizon League.

According to the YSU Web page, Sweet said, "He was instrumental in helping YSU move into the Horizon League this year and has the respect of the university administration, coaches, student athletes, Penguin Club members and YSU supporters throughout the community."

After about a minute-long round of applause, Strollo took the stand and talked about what it meant to become the athletic director.

Strollo started off by cracking an icebreaker, saying " If I look nervous right



**WCBA** team is 4th in U.S.

### BY SUSAN KELLY Jambar Editor

YSU's Society for Human Resource Management team won fourth place in the nation in competitive games in June in San Francisco. Armed with a prestigious first place in the state of Ohio and first place honors in their region, members played the Jeopardy-like board game with skill and merit.

Team members Andrew Hill, Jeffrey Fortner, and Lumi Strimbu took honors in the Jeopardy-like competitive games, winning in same events by more than a 7,000point spread.

Co-advisers of SHRM include management faculty members Dr. Stanley Guzell, professor, and Dr. Anthony Kos, assistant professor. Dr. Anne McMahon, professor and Jim Daly, professor, are instructors in the human resources track. The

ing, " said Sweet.

Sweet said he was also impressed with Strollo's ties with the Youngstown area.

According to the YSU Web page, Sweet said, "Ron Strollo has dedicated almost a third of his life to the Youngstown State Athletic Department, and we are

now, it's because I am," and the audience laughed. From that point on, the serious business-like Strollo came out.

Strollo first thanked his family, the Penguin Club, Sweet, the YSU family and

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Ron Strollo spoke to students, faculty administrators and visitors in his bid for the chief athletic position. Dr. Sweet announced his selection July 17. Strollo becomes the youngest Division I Athletic Director in the nation.

NAACP Urban Slam sequel set for July 28

FROM JAMBAR STAFF REPORTS

The YSU NAACP chapter is hosting its second annual Urban Slam July 28 for poets and rap artists. Featured guest N.U.S.E., a Cleveland-based poetry group, will perform along with other jazz artists and competitors.

torically underrepresented. Registration is \$5 at the door and sign in begins at 7 p.m. No vulgarity will be permitted in the comgives acknowledgement to the conpetition. A \$100 prize will be awarded to the winners. minority population through cele-The YSU NAACP chapter was

bration, representation, motivation and dedication.

According to chapter president La'el Hughes, another important goal of the membership is to help create an atmosphere where students of color feel free to have a voice on YSU's campus, to speak out against injustices and feelings of elimination, and to reinforce ideas of self-worth and personal growth.

the chapter include: The 1999 Diversity Conference, with guest

Coretta Scott

King, March Dimes campaign Voter

Some of the events hosted by

Multicultural Faculty and Staff Banquet, of

> HUGHES Registration Empowerment campaigns,

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other track available within the management department is in information systems.

Guzell said the performance of YSU's three-member team is particularly impressive because YSU does not have a human resource major but incorporates the study into the management major.

"Other competing universities have the benefit of a full major program. Our students have managed to excel by being well prepared, and or taking full advantage of the courses we offer, such as the labor relations courses, which Dr. John Russo introduced to our students." Guzell said the human resource coursework offered at

YSU is a "no fills program." We focus on the basics, which

have served us very well," he said.

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Electronic journals: move over, books are back

By SHANNON WALLS Jambar Editor

The Internet is a growing source of research for students. Information that can be found in books can also be found on the Web.

Some say the use of Internet sources may quickly be outnumbering the use of textbooks and periodicals.

Thomas Atwood, executive director; Maag Library, said items such as e-books and digital media are used more and more every

semester at YSU. electronic journals," said Atwood.

founded in April 1998 by a group

of students who wanted to address

various issues of importance to the

vehicle for those of various ethnici-

ties on campus and in the commu-

nity. One of the chapter goals is to

represent those who have been his-

leadership, and respect. The group

tributions, past and present, of the

Another goal is to promote

The local chapter serves as a

minority population on campus.

Electronic journals can be accessed from home, are in full text and are equivalent to hard copy, according to Atwood.

He also said electronic journals are useful because they require no binding, more than one student can use them at one time, and they do not take up storage space in the library building. Although the general use of

online sources verses textbooks is high, YSU has seen a decrease in Internet use:

Among college campuses, the "I think our strength is our use of online research sources at YSU is low despite the fact that many prefer the use of the Web, said Bob Ault, microforms/assistant serials librarian.

"[The use of online sources] is definitely on the down trend," said Ault.

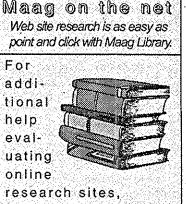
Ault said he is unsure of the reasons for the decrease. Jean Romeo, reference librari-

an, said students have access to a collection of more than 100 databases and periodical abstracts besides electronic journals. However, Romeo said it is dif-

ficult to say if more students use online sources for research rather than using books and periodicals. The availability of databases affects the number of books checked out of the library, she said.

According to Romeo, it is important for students to try as many databases and Web sites as they can and evaluate them by the references and links they give.

"Information comes from everywhere, and nothing says it is good or bad," she said. "We tend to go to computers first. The world of information is in flux, and it can be hard to sort it out."



log onto: http://www.maag.ysu. edu/help/process Source: Maag Library

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## Honors students get experience at YSU

### FROM JAMBAR STAFF REPORTS

For the 15th year in a row, YSU has been selected as one of 16 statesupported and private higher education institutions to host the 2001 Ohio Summer Honors Institute for gifted freshman and sophomore high school students.

A grant of \$62,500 from the State Department of Education in conjunction with the Ohio Legislature funds the program.

The Summer Honors Institute is comprised of three, one-week sessions on the campus of YSU. Session dates are July 9 to 13, July 16 to 20 and July 23 to 27. This program is designed to serve gifted youth from Ashtabula, Columbiana, Mahoning, Portage and Trumbull counties. But applications were accepted from Ohio students statewide.

"The Summer Honors Institute provides both exploratory and indepth specialized studies for gifted learners," said Dr. Marianne Dove, director of the program. "Taught by outstanding YSU professors, the courses are challenging and rigorous. The program also provides students with the opportunity to meet and work with their intellectual peers."

Classes meet Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and include a diverse selection with titles ranging from "American Sign Language" to "Greek Mythology" and "Multimedia Authoring" to "Theater Arts," "Hidden History: Exploring Our Past," Community's and "Physics/Holography."

"Given the facilities and resources of the university, stu-



Honors Institute students launch a missel during the summer program at YSU.

dents are able to engage in highlyinteractive experiences with stateof-the-art technologies to produce products they previously have not had an opportunity to investigate at the high school level," says Dove. For example, in "Engineering:

Computing, Testing, Analysis and Design," taught by Dr. Dan Suchora, professor, mechanical and industrial engineering, students will test a model rocket engine in the engineering laboratory to determine its impulsive force versus time characteristics.

"An actual rocket will be built and launched to see the correlation between the real world and the results of the engineering simulation," Dove explains. Students will also get a glimpse of what it's like to solve

world problems in "Resolving World Conflict: The United Nations Model." where they will

roleplay and examine how nations of the world seek to resolve their problems.

Concert review: Aerosmith rocks Blossom

is a learning opportunity of an adolescent's lifetime," said Dove. "Moreover, this experience could serve to pique students' interests in pursuing a certain discipline at YSU because they become familiar with YSU opportunities and programs.

Students selected for the Summer Honors Institute are Ohio residents who are current high school freshman and sophomores and identified as gifted as defined by Ohio Administrative Code 3301-51-15.

"Basically, these students are identified according to standardized test data - 95 percent or above on standardized achievement tests, or an IQ of 130 or above on an individual intelligence test, such the Stanford Binet or WISC-R, a group intelligence test score," says Dove.

Students must also be recommended by officials from their respective school systems.

"The Summer Honors Institute

"The athletic department is headed into a very exciting era," said Strollo. Strollo said he is looking for-

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Tressel.

said Strollo.

rom former Athletic Director Jim

ward to competing in the Horizon STROLLO, continued from League and welcomes the challenge.

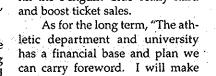
Strollo's first order of business will focus on the up-coming football season. nade it very clear he learned a lot

"I want to make Jon Heacock's first year a successful one," said "I'm very humbled I have Strollo.

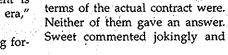
Also, Strollo said he wants to been chosen to lead this university. hit the Penguin Club really hard My initial reaction was pure exciteand boost ticket sales. nent — it was overwhelming,"

For the past four or five months, I have been thinking about this position, and one word came to mind: responsibility. We have a responsibility to continue said Strollo. the tradition of excellence," he

> led when asked about what the terms of the actual contract were. Neither of them gave an answer.



sure we give our coaches the resourses they need to compete," Both Sweet and Strollo chuck-





Members of YSU's Society for Human Resource Management team, comprised of (from left) Andrew Hill, Jeffrey Fortner and Lumi Strimbu, placed fourth in the nation in competitive human resource games this June in San Francisco.

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management, which comprise some of the categories contestants

BY DEBBIE TUECHE Jambar Editor

They have not lost anything over the past decade and a half. In fact, they rock like never before. Steven Tyler and the band known as Aerosmith hit Cleveland heavy and hard Tuesday at

Blossom Music Center. The crowd jumped to its feet when the band started the sold-out show with its new album's first track, "Beyond Beautiful."

The evening continued with old and new hits, pleasing the variety of generations attending the show.

Tyler commented that this was a show we would be talking about for a long time to come. As the show going. show progressed, he definitely

kept his word. when they played tracks such as " Songs like "Love in an Don't Want to Miss a Thing" and Elevator," "Fly Away" and "Just "Cryin'." They showed some rock Push Play" kept the concert going. Then the evening took a sur-

prising twist when Aerosmith paid homage to the fans in the cheap seats. The band created a procession from the main stage in the pavilion to the lawn seats in the back.

A miniature stage was set up to give those on the grass an upclose-and-personal view of the

band. Here they treated the audience to a few songs including the hit "Dream On" from their debut album in 1973.

roots when they broke into "Walk This Way." After playing for more than two hours, the band left the stage, only to return with the hit song "Living on the Edge." This got the

crowd going one more time, singing and dancing to the amazing music. Aerosmith has managed to do

something that few bands ever succeed at. During one concert they were able to attract the young and old into a cramped music center and pleased them all.

With its variety of music and smashing sounds, it is no wonder Afterwards they proceeded back to the main stage to keep the why this band is one of a kind.

Cigarette lighters lit the sky

are free to select," he said. Dr. Ram Kasuganti, chair,

"This makes her performance management, said, "In the fall we even more remarkable," said intend to make application to Guzell.

"All of the team members are exceptional, having knowledge in ategories such as national laws, fringe benefits, labor relations and

make available a major in management information systems, which will enhance the marketability of our students in today's economy."

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Minority Health Month Conference, Youth Empowerment programs, talent shows, YSU recruitment projects as well as student retention surveys.

There are approximately 67,000 youth involved in the NAACP across the country. The YSU NAACP chapter will continue to forge ahead by continuing its commitment to excellence, leadership, and empowerment.

The second annual Urban Slam will be held July 28, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at YSU DeBartolo Stadium Club located on Fifth Avenue. Admission for the public will be \$8. Call (330)746-1675 for more information.



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# Editorial Opinion

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## How we see it

Gas prices down... now up...then down

Well, it's about time. Gas prices have finally fallen. We should all cheer because it is now affordable to drive our cars.

There should no longer be agony in filling up the tank for the trek to campus.

Shall we join in celebration of the decline in prices? We probably shouldn't. Why?

Surely gas prices will soon soar again.

Currently, it is the hot topic on CNN. On a national average, gas prices have fallen by 13 cents. This takes the average to \$1.47 for a gallon of self-serve regular gasoline.

This may be true, but let's think about the Valley for a moment.

Have you ever glanced at the gas prices on the way to YSU? Well, don't count on them being the same for the commute home. They will either be significantly higher or lower. So, when are we supposed to fill up?

It ends up being a gamble with money. If you choose the morning, perhaps you will be lucky and beat the price increase. Or, throughout the day, the prices will fall, pinning you as the loser.

It's amazing how companies get away with constantly changing the prices of gasoline. We are not made of money. We should not have to pay for gas at one price in the morning only to drive by in the evening and discover that the number has changed.

However, our hands are tied. Sure, we could carpool to the university for a while. All YSU students and staff could tage a big boycott, during which we wouldn't buy gas for a

## Misconceptions put to rest

### BY CHARITY LYNCH Jambar Reporter

up.

our pajamas. Sororities are not about party-

parties and get drunk. All sororiing all night long, going to bars or ties on YSU's campus follow a dating fraternity guys. Of course strict alcohol policy, prohibiting there are other stereotypes people them from throwing or attending think about sororities, and believe parties that do not check IDs. Third, sorority members are me, I can prove them wrong.

not dumb girls who get by in I am in Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, and there are actually many school on just their looks. As a rules to follow if you want to be sorority woman, I must maintain a active in any sorority. I am not saycertain GPA in order to even stay in ing we are an elitist group, and no my chapter.

one is treated differently than another member. No one gets rejected because she does not fit a typical image that we have to keep

There has never been a night where we sat around our house in our undergarments, eating junk breast cancer. There are local proj- test - not hanging out at a wild food — we may have done that in ects such as cleaning up Wick Park toga party.

Second, we do not have wild the elderly. Never have I felt more a part, of an organization than I do the

sorority to which I belong. These girls are going to be the same women who will share with me my graduation day, engagement, wed-

my children.

Rather than always believing the images that others place on sororities, there are positive issues that we deal with. My sorority has a shirt that indicates I am in a service projects every month, and over the school year we raise

ding day, and one day, the birth of The friendships that I have

and making Christmas cards with

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with these 30 girls will always hold a special place in my heart for the rest of my life. So the next time I am in class

with you and you see me wearing sorority, remember I want to be there to learn, and the night before, money to further the research for I, too, was studying for the same

## **CONTRIBUTING WRITER**

### Homosexuality is a sin, but not unforgivable

I am an alumnus of YSU and occasionally get onto the Internet

When you stated that homo- released a study of his findings sexuality is something that one is that some gays do, in fact, change. to see what's going on at YSU and born with and "cannot be convert- Spitzer was also part of the group at The Jambar. I read with interest ed by therapy sessions or by that sought to have homosexuality Shannon Walls' commentary called repenting," bear in mind that a removed from the list of treatable "Homosexuality is not a prison." I number of gays have left the "gay disorders within the American thought your commentary showed lifestyle" and are even in hetero- Psychiatric Association and calls himself a "humanist" and has no religious "ax to grind."

day. But that wouldn't last for long. The gas companies know we will be back. Ultimately, they have the upper hand, which makes them the winner. They can charge whatever they want; we the consumers have no choice but to pay. So, let us join in a sigh of relief that national prices have fallen. Then gasp for air the next time they skyrocket.

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a good deal of caring for the homosexual and a desire for justice for them.

I wanted to mention a few and items to you that may be of some help as you consider this debate in the future. The "normalization" of and have led some into compliance homosexuality in our culture today is a concern to those who hold to the Bible as being God's Word. God, in His Holy Word, plainly condemns the practice of homosex-

uality as an abomination in His she was "born this way"? sight (Leviticus 18:22) and as a degrading and unnatural passion (Romans 1:26,27).

Therefore, to speak of homosexuality as an equally valid lifestyle in the eyes of God is to disregard what God has said. The way? argument is not whether or not homosexuality is a sin. The Bible

has already said it is. It is not because some Christians acting smug, self-righteous and discriminatory think so.

I am distressed that some Christians out there have not treated homosexuals with any kind of compassion. While the Bible declares homosexuality to be a sin, it is not an unforgivable sin.

sexual relationships. Organizations exist such as Harvest USA, www.harvestusa.org, Exodus International, www.exodusnorthamerica.org, which minister lovingly to the gay person

> with God's Word on this issue. Perhaps you have seen that Anne Heche, the lover of Ellen DeGeneres, left Ellen and has taken up with a man in a heterosexual relationship. How is this possible if

You may have seen on tabloid talk shows that some people move freely from gay to straight relation-

ships easily. Are bisexuals born this way, too? Are pedophiles born this We have come to the point

where we frequently will hear that our hot tempers, tendencies toward drugs and alcohol and our sexual orientation are results of the way we were born. Not everything

is in our genes. We make choices in our lives, and this appears to be one of them.

I might also draw your atten-Dale Szallai tion to a report by Dr. Robert Spitzer of Columbia University. He

God intended the gift of sex to be enjoyed between one woman and one man within the framework of marriage. Any sex outside of this is sin.

While the homosexual sins and can repent and be saved in Jesus Christ, so can the adulterer and the fornicator (who also choose their own actions).

To share what God has said in warning to the homosexual lovingly and tenderly, caring for them as people, is neither hate nor homophobia. It is an act of love.

While there are those in the homosexual lifestyle who are happy with their lives and have no desire to change, there are also those who are unfulfilled and for whom homosexuality has, indeed, become a prison. Jesus Christ offers release from this and other sins and offers healing and wholeness.

I hope this information is useful to you.

Aliquippa, PA

Have something to say? Write a letter to the editor that has fewer than 300 words. Make sure to include a name and phone number for verification.

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