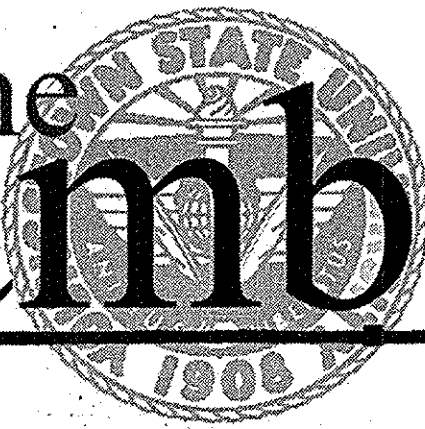
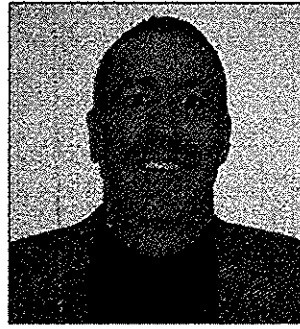


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Union files unfair labor charge

Carpenters' Union says workers laying turf are not legal US Citizens.

By JAMI BONINSEGNA
Editor in Chief

Thursday morning, protestors and members of the Carpenters' Union, accompanied by a giant inflated rat, walked the sidewalks of Fifth Avenue in front of Stambaugh Stadium, after filing an unfair labor practice charge with the National Labor Relations Board.

One member of the Carpenters' Union, Frank Buccu, said, "The rat represents freedom of speech and symbolizes scab work."

According to Buccu, they were protesting Sprint Turf, a contractor hired by YSU to lay the new turf on the football field. When YSU signed a contract with Sprint, Buccu said they began looking into the job site to make sure area standing wages are being paid.

"Obviously we would have liked to do the job. They act like this is a specialty job, but any contractor can do it.

But if we don't, we'd like to make sure that who is doing the job isn't having their rights being violated."

"We've had conversations with the workers at the job site and they told us they weren't U.S. citizens and they weren't receiving prevailing wage."

Prevailing wage is the amount paid in base pay and benefits in any geographic area that construction workers must be paid.

John Hyden, director of Facilities, said that union scale becomes the prevailing wage in Mahoning County because most of the work in this area is done by union workers.

Hyden said, "The union is just upset because the work is not going to local union members. There is no stipulation in The Ohio Revised Code that we have to hire union workers, just that we have to make sure prevailing wage is being paid."

We did not select a contractor because we were selecting a vendor. We needed to find a company that would design the field, produce the field, and install it. Sprint will also warrant the field for eight

years." Hyden's response to accusations by the union that the Sprint workers were illegal aliens was, "Shame on them."

"To make such strong accusations on the basis of one's skin color is shameful. The union is making accusations without knowing anything."

Hyden said he has personally spoken to the owner of Sprint Turf and he knows for a fact that every worker is either a citizen or legally working in the United States.

Roy Houser, another member of the Carpenters' Union, said Sprint Turf is in their sixth week of work on the field and YSU should have had proof of wage by the second week of work.

Buccu said, "Although the union has had conversations with YSU to make sure prevailing wage is being used, no one from Sprint Turf has submitted forms to prove they are."

According to Hyden, proof of prevailing wage is required two weeks after the

end of the first pay period.

He said that day has not come yet, but when it does, if proof of prevailing wage is not submitted, YSU will not make payment to the contractor.

Houser and Buccu both said that they understand YSU did tell Sprint they had to pay their workers prevailing wage but now they'd like to meet with YSU officials to make sure they look into the situation, and do something about it.

Houser said since the union has looked into the situation, they have had the police called on them, been thrown off the job site, and have been told they could only monitor the job from outside the fence.

Hyden maintains that YSU has a very strong relationship with the union and this is not a problem, "just a little bump."

"I've met with the union president and we will not let this get in the way of the relationship we have."

"The union is just upset because the work is not going to local union members."

— JOHN HYDEN
Director of Facilities



Jami Boninsegna
The Jambar

RATS: Members of the Carpenters union used a giant inflatable rat to symbolize what they claim is "scab work," on YSU's football field. They say workers laying turf are not US Citizens and are not receiving prevailing wages.

YSU holds first annual Relay for Life

By LARISA PIWTORAK
Jambar Reporter

YSU students and faculty along with members of the community walked laps around the running track to raise money in the fight against cancer. Saturday marked the first annual Relay For Life held at YSU.

Twenty-four teams participated in this year's event. First place all around team was awarded to YSU Pete Team 3, second was the YSU Bookstore, and third was YSU Alumni Relations. A total of \$23,000 was collected from the relay.

Nadine Kastner, senior, who formed team Rubicon was setting up Friday afternoon as rain fell. Kastner's mother and cancer survivor, Susan Kastner, also participated in the event.

Every year Relay for Life is held around the country. People from the community form

teams and gather donations. Each team member is asked to raise \$100.

Patrons sponsor team members. They give a certain dollar amount for every lap walked by a particular team member. All donations raised go to the American Cancer Society to help find a cure for cancer.

The event lasts 24 hours. During this time one member from each team is asked to walk on the track at all times.

Food and entertainment were provided for participants.

Al Stabilito, communications and advocacy director for the Mahoning Valley American Cancer Society, said the YSU relay is the seventh out of ten in the tri-county area. Boardman, Warren, Austintown, Cortland, Niles, Columbiana, Liberty, East Liverpool, and Lisbon also hold relays.

Relay For Life is not only about raising money, it's also about cancer survival, noted Stabilito. He said that survivors take the first walk around the track.

According to Stabilito, some teams hold raffles or spaghetti dinners to raise funds for the relay.

The YSU Bookstore sold stars to raise money for the event. Linda Hunt, American Cancer Society income development associate and coordinator for the YSU Relay For Life, said the bookstore sold 16,333 stars.

Youngstown did not have a Relay For Life so the American Cancer Society contacted YSU, according to Shannon Tirone, director of Alumni.

"We're very grateful to them to let us hold this here," said Hunt. She added with a smile, "They all volunteer their time to do this." Hunt said that a Miss Relay competition

where men dressed in drag walked around the track collecting donations was held on Saturday.

In addition to Miss Relay, there was also a midnight cook off, talent show, and children's activities.

Tirone described the event as "almost like a mini tailgate."

Dylan Breese, relay participant, said Hunt encouraged him to form a team.

"She dared him to do it," said Lorraine Kerchum, relay participant and student at Hiram College. Both team members agreed that it was worth the initial intimidation of raising the \$100.

The event was scheduled from 6:00 p.m. Friday to 6:00 p.m. Saturday, however the activities ended three hours early due to rain.

An awards ceremony closed the relay. Awards were passed out for various activities such as the scavenger hunt and swing dance.

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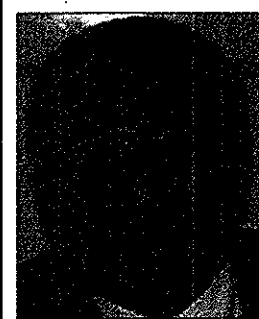
Weather

Scattered Thunderstorms today. High around 80. Low in the mid 50s. Isolated Thunderstorms on Friday. High near 80. Low near 50.

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Stennis named new diversity coordinator



STENNIS

By MELISSA MOSCHELLA
Jambar Reporter

Leon Stennis, former YSU news editor, marketing and communications, has been named coordinator of diversity initiatives in the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity by University President Dr. David

Sweet. Stennis said he asked to be transferred to the position because, "I served nine and a half years and felt I needed a change."

"Sometimes in writing, you feel you're not growing, said Stennis. "To be honest, there were some philosophical differences with the new executive director."

Wait Ulbricht is the new executive director of marketing and communications.

Ulbricht said he had no comment on the differences between him and Stennis.

He said, "The transfer was completely voluntary. I think Leon's skills as a professional communicator and his new position are a good match."

John Habat, special assistant to the president, maintains that although he had a con-

frontation with Stennis in December, the issue was resolved and had no direct relationship to Stennis asking to be transferred.

Stennis said he will help Sweet implement changes in terms of recruitment of minority faculty and staff, as well as minority and diverse students. He said Sweet has made diversity one of his top three priorities at the university.

Stennis said, "There are definite areas of diversity that we can improve upon, racially and religiously. I think we are doing excellent in the area of women, but are lacking in the area of minorities."

Some of the plans Stennis said he has to improve the university's program of multiculturalism include diversity-training courses for faculty and staff.

"More can be done in sensitizing the staff through courses," said Stennis.

Stennis said the greatest thing he brings to the job is communication. He said, "A lot of people don't see the need for diversity. Communication will be as vital as to why it is an important issue at the university. I think I can be very useful."

Stennis will be working under Barbara Orton, director, Equal Opportunity and Diversity. Orton said there were 75 applicants for the position. Two of the applicants were part-time YSU employees.

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Army instructor discharged for harassment

By ANGELA OLIN
Jambar Editor

A military science instructor has recently been discharged from his position at YSU for sexual harassment, said Col. Oluic, professor, military science.

Allegations against Winston Redman, an army instructor at YSU, were brought to the ROTC's attention over a month ago by both male and female cadets, said Oluic.

Oluic said the allegations were not just for sexual harassment, Redman had been disobeying orders completely. He said for one example, Redman had been using a government vehicle for his own unauthorized personal business.

Oluic said that there were four female cadets verbally sexually harassed by Redman. "It was what he said and how

he behaved," he said.

Oluic said when he learned of the allegations, he immediately transferred Redman out of YSU to the Ravenna Arsenal, where Redman worked for the National Guard in the maintenance facilities.

After Oluic headed an investigation, which included numerous interviews with cadets, Oluic and another commander at Fort Knox, Kentucky decided that the allegations were true and brought upon a punishment for Redman, said Oluic.

"The army deals with this very harshly," said Oluic. "He established a poor atmosphere for female cadets."

Oluic said Redman received a non-traditional punishment. He said he was relieved of his duties at YSU as

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Banners flying high

By LA'EL HUGHES
Jambar Reporter

Big new, bright red and white banners greeted over 1,000 graduates at YSU's Spring graduation ceremony. YSU President Dr. David Sweet said the banners "are celebrating YSU's success theme."

Sweet said he wanted something more dramatic to welcome the parents and graduates. He and other YSU officials believe that the large banners displaying YSU's Success Story theme and the new changes to the commencement program will help foster a positive attitude about YSU. He said the changes will also serve as one of the many elements being used to increase enrollment.

Sweet, with a smile, said the graduation ceremony "was a packed house." He said this was a prime opportunity to show with the banners and other signs displayed through out the school that YSU is a quality institution.

Rick Bevil, events preparation, chimed in by saying, "This was the largest graduation I have prepared for since 1988." Bevil said he prepared for 1,078 students. He also said that this was the largest spectator crowd for a YSU graduation since 1988.

Walt Ulbricht, director marketing, said, "We hope to make graduation a more festive occasion." Ulbricht said that this year YSU's institutional message was put on the inside of the program, which has never been done. He said he wanted to advance the idea that YSU is an outstanding school.

Jean Engle, assistant director marketing, agreed with Ulbricht. She said, "We wanted to inject more ceremony and make it more special with the new displays and program changes."

Some YSU graduates agree that the new banner displays made a positive impact. Thomas Weidele, associate applied science, said he liked the banners. Weidele said "looking at the banners it really hit me...I graduated." He said YSU helped him find a job at Exterra, a credit collection agency, and he would be returning for a Bachelors degree in the fall.

Sweet said he deliberately displayed the reconstruction plans for YSU throughout the campus before the spring graduation ceremony so families and graduates would see what YSU is planning and currently working on. He said he knows such acts alone will not increase enrollment but it will help in attaining the goal.

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Renee Johnson, YSU Metro College, and Donna Sloan, philosophy and religious studies, also applied for the position.

Dr. Anne McMahon, professor, management, headed the search committee.

Stennis said he earned his bachelor's degree in business administration in 1973, as well as his master's in English last year.

He has been employed at the university for nine years.

Prior to his position at YSU, Stennis served as a reporter at The Vindicator for 21 years, two as a general assignment reporter and 19 as the religion editor.

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an instructor, he received a letter of reprimand, was transferred to Fort Knox, Kentucky where he received a staff position with the ROTC and also a suspended fine of \$3,000.

"His career is over based on this one incident," Oluic said. "I doubt if he will ever be instructing again."

Dr. John Yemma, dean of the Bitonte College of Health and Human Services, said the ROTC handled the matter efficiently.

"They handled it better than we would have," said Yemma. "We won't see him again."

Redman only arrived at YSU as a military instructor this past September and left Tuesday for his new position at Fort Knox, said Oluic.

Police Report Student arrested for stealing flower

By HEATHER SHAW
Jambar Reporter

Robert Basic, freshman, was arrested last Thursday after stealing a white azalea plant from Inner Circle Pizza, according to a YSU police report.

The report states Basic was spotted by police walking on Elm Street heading east bound carrying a fully bloomed azalea plant with a dirt ball hanging from the roots.

YSU police Officer Kristina Russel stopped to question Basic about the plant. Basic stated he

had received the plant as a gift and he did not pull up the plant or steal it. However, the report states Basic was unable to remember the person's name who gave him the gift.

According to the police report, Russel then ran a dispatch on Basic's status and found he had a warrant for his arrest due to his failure to abide with a court probation order. The report states, that the warrant was verified by the Youngstown Police Department and Basic was taken into custody.

The owner of Inner Circle said no charges will be filed and the report states the plant was returned.

Cleaning man swipes refrigerator

By HEATHER SHAW
Jambar Reporter

A Cafaro House cleaning man, Michael Crockett, was arrested last Monday for stealing a dorm size refrigerator from a student's dorm room in Cafaro House, stated a YSU police report.

According to the police report, Crockett, stole the refrigerator from room 1051 and proceeded to load it into a Rubbermaid bin and transferred it into his car.

Tatrita Johnson, Cafaro House resident advisor, saw Crockett as he was loading the refrigerator into his car. Johnson told police she

could not identify the car but could identify the driver as being Crockett, stated the report.

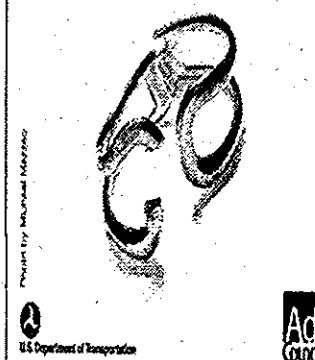
After calling police, Johnson viewed the videotape from the Cafaro loading deck security camera, which showed Crockett exiting the building with the bin, running past the dumpster, leaving the camera area and then returning to the loading docks with the empty bin, according to the report.

YSU police Lt. Mark Adovasio said Crockett was charged with theft and a misdemeanor charge.

"The refrigerator was also recovered by myself and Officer Pusateri," said Adovasio. "We went to his home and retrieved the stolen property."

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Editorial & Opinion

What We Think

YSU shouldn't overlook smaller sports programs

It is clear that YSU has its priorities straight. However, the problem is YSU tends to forget about those that are not at the top of its list, mainly the little people.

At the present time, YSU is laying new turf on the football field. However, at the same time, the YSU throw team is losing its practice field to a different kind of turf, cement.

The throw team, a part of track and field, consisting mostly of shot put, discus, and hammer throws was practicing off of Bryson Street behind Ursuline High School.

However, the team is currently looking for a new place to practice because the practice field the throw team previously used is now being turned into a parking lot — probably a parking lot that will fill up with football fans come fall.

The university does need more parking lots, however, it should not be at the expense of its athletes, no matter how small its ticket sales.

It seems as if bringing home multiple championships and gaining national recognition gets you all of the perks, even if it means taking away from the little guys.

Although we understand the football team brings money and popularity to YSU, the throw team should not suffer for the loss of the same national recognition as the football team.

It doesn't seem fair that because the throw team has only eight members and doesn't draw thousands of fans and ticket sales, that it should be stripped of its practice field — a field that may be its only supporter.

In addition, this is not the first time the throw team has had problems with finding a place to practice. Already, the throw team has previously had to relocate its practice field once.

In fact, according to Ed Wilson, throw coach, he has been looking for a permanent practice field for the team since he started coaching at YSU five years ago.

In five years, YSU should have made some attempt to find a permanent field for the throw team, however, instead they decided to ignore its needs.

Wilson said that in those five years, he proposed at least two fields as potential practice fields for the team. However, his requests were shot down with lame excuses.

As a part of YSU athletics, the throw team deserves the same respect and conveniences as any other team at YSU.

It's time to show the throw team that YSU cares about their needs and wants. We need to find the team a practice field, not a field it can practice on for one year, but one it can have for good.

What You Think

Have you ever experienced sexual harassment on campus?



Tiffany Woods
junior early childhood

"No, I have not."



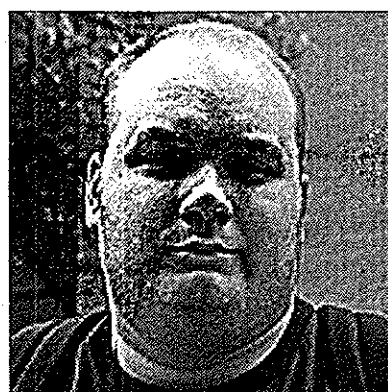
Jared Bullen
freshmen, pre-med.

"No, I don't think guys get sexually harassed as much as women."



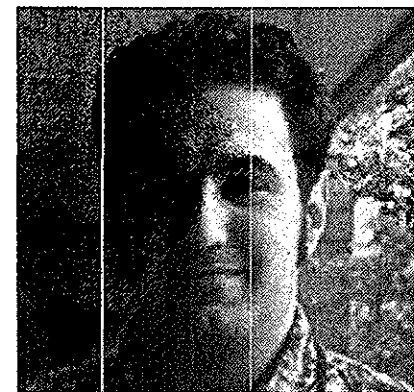
Rochelle McCarthy
freshmen dietetics

"No, not so far. Everyone treats each other as equals and no one looks at you as a sexual object."



Justin Whitehouse,
senior business admi.

"No, I'm sure it is a problem, but I have never experienced sexual harassment"



Josh Nething
sophomore, BS/MD

"No, I have never seen anything like that on campus."

Sports Commentary

Selig not fooling baseball fans

By DAVE DEVEREUX
Jambar Reporter

Ironically, Major League Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig has become America's enemy in his attempt to save our pastime.

The current state of the game is a disaster.

Selig didn't create the problems; money and greed unfortunately sowed the seeds of this game and after growing for more than a century, the current problems are simply too much for Selig to handle. I agree with those who contend that a change is needed at the top.

However, I don't understand why Selig has become the bad guy in the eyes of the media and most fans for this whole process regarding a new collective bargaining agreement and a potential players strike.

Selig is seeking an increase in local revenue sharing from 20 percent to 50 percent; he's also proposing a luxury tax that would require a 50 percent tax on all payrolls above \$98 million.

These proposals are similar to a salary cap but they're not only in the best interest of Selig's team, the Milwaukee Brewers (currently being run by his daughter) but also they're in the best interest of the Indians, Pirates, Reds and all teams trying to stay afloat in a sinking economic structure.

Selig wants his product, Major League Baseball, to have the same parity

as the NFL, but that will never happen unless there are some enormous changes. Although he may fail horribly in his leadership abilities, his intent is what we should all want with baseball — an equal playing field for every team.

Selig isn't looking for an agreement just to save this season and to keep baseball functioning, he wants an agreement that will improve a game that needs major improvements and frankly I want that too.

The players are seeking one thing: a new agreement that is similar to the old one so they can continue on with their lives playing baseball for the same outrageous contracts.

Fans shouldn't view the potential lockout, being discussed by the players and union leader Donald Fehr, as they would like us to view it.

The media in many ways has taken the side of the union and in most articles you read they hammer home the point that "the fans won't come back if there is another stoppage." This, however, is an attempt to brainwash fans and use them to strike fear into Selig's heart.

The players knew that threatening to strike would cause fans to respond in confused anger towards the entire fabric of baseball. Fans have already begun to rebel against the strike by signing petitions to boycott attending games.

Fans are emotional, that part I understand but fans must also take into account the bigger picture.

Despite what you may have read, Selig is not the evil villain and the players aren't superheroes looking out for the fans.

Most of the fans who root for teams like the Pirates, Royals, Brewers, and other small market teams are still trying to come back after the strike that wiped out the '94 season.

What's keeping them from coming all the way back is the fact that they can't keep their players and therefore they can barely field competitive teams.

Why would those fans all of a sudden be better fans and more loyal if there wasn't a strike?

Sure their teams would continue to play this season but at the cost of still having the same salary incapacities and limited resources.

Selig understands this concept, because he's been involved with baseball and the small-market Milwaukee franchise since the 60's. He's looking for a solution that will allow the game to prosper in every market for much longer than the rest of 2002 season.

I welcome a strike and so should anyone else who still wants to follow baseball in the future. In fact, they should lockout and stay out until they can come up with a reasonable agreement that is in the best interest of all parties — the players, the owners, and especially the fans.

The game simply can't continue the way it is now.

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Letter to the Editor

Editor:

Hispaniola they called it, and shortly after setting foot upon it, Columbus's men saw fit to date the local Arawak girls. She lured with aromatic tobacco; he with intoxicating rum. He'd passed her smallpox; she gave him venereal syphilis.

Wouldn't have happened had Conquistador Vasquez and his paramour Ouragan had their ardor deferred by Sigma Alpha Epsilon's estimable Sexual Awareness Week. Challenged by Sig Ep's ringing the changes on sexual themes with sixteen hours of presentations, Mariner Vasquez and his girlfriend Ouragan might imagine themselves variously as: medical patients, counselor's clients, plaintiffs, defendants, bruised victims, crime-scene witnesses, civil case respondents, battery suspects, epidemiological vagrants. Health Educator Erin Boyle and Outreach Coordinator Beth Haddle of the much-valued Youngstown Community Health Center (YCHC) participated.

The Genoan offered no health insurance, and the ship's sawbones was limited to lancing boils and offering emetics. Drawn by YCHC's manifesto promising medical attention, the Spaniard would have been jolted with penicillin, the Arawak her more refractory pustules tended to by a Humility of Mary or Forum Health resident physician.

What Don Vasquez and Señorita Ouragan faced in fact was a medical nullity. Smallpox ravaged the natives; alcoholism made

them a laughingstock. Tobacco flourished; so, too, venereal chancres. Englishman Edward Jenner's vaccination for smallpox was three centuries distant; German Paul Ehrlich's Salvarsan for syphilis four centuries. Alcohol and nicotine's links to cirrhosis and cancer likewise awaited a remote future. We must think then of the soon elderly Vasquezes cursing their scars and parietic dementia, and, controverting the scientific plenum with which medicine had yet to be filled, dosing themselves therapeutically and liberally with drink and smoke.

Like the 15th century Vasquezes, 21st century uninsured Americans are segregated from the proper medical benefits of the scientific laboratory. Their "presenting" with a bumpstiously self-administered pharmacopoeia of over-the-counter, gray-market, and illegal drugs, their naive fatalism, and howling at God are sniffed at by physicians. Why? That third-party payers sense hubris sustained by an insurer's nickel seems not to have occurred to them.

For physicians: accept new, uninsured, cash patients in a deliberate, measured way. That will tip the balance towards a more equitable allotment of medical science and away from the insurers and government against which doctors protest so artlessly.

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Sports

Robic announces hiring of new assistant

By DAVE DEVEREUX
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When YSU Head Coach John Robic concluded casting out roles for the 2002-03 men's basketball team he needed only one source, Yavapai Junior College, of course.

Robic announced on May 16th that Dolph Carrol, former head coach at Yavapai, a successful junior college program in Prescott Ariz., has joined the Penguins as an assistant coach.

The hiring of Carrol comes two weeks after Robic signed Yavapai Juco standout Adam Baumann, a 6'8" 235-pound forward, who solidifies a Penguins roster that hopes to rebound from last year's 5-23

record.

Carol, a former NBA player with the Phoenix Suns, joins Robic and assistant Eric Skeeters on the Penguins staff after guiding the Yavapai Roughriders for the past 12 seasons.

"I am very happy to be here," said Carrol in a recent press release, who earned co-conference Coach-of-the-Year Honors for his team's effort last season. "This is a great opportunity to work with John and be a part of the Youngstown State basketball program and the Horizon League."

Robic, who enters his 4th season at the helm, said in the release that he and Carrol have

had a long-time coaching relationship and knows that Carrol will add a lot to the YSU program.

"I have had a professional relationship with him for almost 18 years and I have had the chance to get to know him very well during that period of time," said Robic.

"He brings a lot of game experience to our bench. He will work hard in developing a relationship with our players and help in the recruiting process."

Baumann was a first-team all-region, first-team all-conference and honorable mention Junior

College All-American last year after averaging 18.8 points per game and 11.3 rebounds per game for Yavapai.

He signed with YSU after drawing interest from several schools including Wright State, Pacific, and Eastern Washington.

Robic said Baumann is a key addition to the Penguin's front line.

"Adam brings us a true low-post player who has the ability to score inside and be strong around the basket," Robic said.

"It is refreshing that he sees himself as a true low-post player and he will take advantage of the opportunity to play next year."

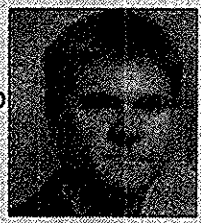
Robic said Baumann, who will have two years of eligibility remaining, comes to YSU for more than just basketball.

"He is also a solid student who is interested in attaining a business degree at YSU," said Robic.

Baumann, a native of Scottsdale, Ariz., joins Jamel Porter (a 6'7" forward from Casper College); Jonathan Mends (a 5'11" guard from Carol City High School in Miami, Fla.) and Derrick Harris (a 6'2" guard from Proctor Academy in Andover, Mass.) as members of the 2001-02 signing class.

"Adam rounds out our class and I look forward to coaching the incoming players and am looking forward to getting things started for next year," said Robic.

"He brings a lot of game experience to our bench."



— JOHN ROBIC
YSU head basketball coach talking about new assistant Dolph Carrol.

Throw team searching for practice spot

By ELIZABETH INGRAO
Jambar Reporter

With the month drawing to a close, no one knows for sure where the throw team will practice. This is not the first time the team has been forced to move its practice field.

The throw team, a part of track and field consisting of shot put, discus, and hammer throwers, practices off Bryson Street behind Ursuline High School during its season. This practice field will be turned into a parking lot this summer for students who live in Lyden and Cafaro houses, according to Ron Strollo, associate director of athletics.

There is another parking lot located beside the throw teams practice field on the corner of Madison Avenue and Bryson Street. Ed Wilson, throw coach, said he has never seen this parking lot full, and doesn't understand the need for more parking in that particular location. The practice field is located one block from the dorms.

According to Strollo, the practice field on Bryson was never meant to be permanent. He said when the pads for the field were constructed they were meant to be moved. Wilson said he doesn't understand how they will move concrete pads.

Wilson said he has been looking for a permanent place to practice since he started coaching here five years ago. He said he looked at property the university owns by Liberty High School, but was told he could not use that property for security reasons.

He also said he looked at a place behind the Wick Avenue parking deck, but was told it would infringe upon the softball field.

Wilson said, "It's not only a few athletes it affects, it's a ripple effect. It affects the students, which affects the population, which affects the faculty, which affects the university."

Title IX, a federal law that requires schools to give men and women equal athletic opportunities, may apply to this situation. If the team has nowhere to practice in the fall, the university may violate this federal law. If the university violates Title IX, all federal funding to the university would stop immediately.

According to Strollo, finding a place for the throw team to practice is a common problem among universities located within cities. He said it would take three to four years before a permanent practice field is found.

Dan O'Connell, associate director of athletics, said that he has found a place for the team to practice in the fall but was unable to disclose the location. He said he is trying to find a place that the team can practice for more than just a few years.

Wilson said that the athletic department has not considered ordering any of the equipment necessary to move the practice field. He said that this would affect his recruitment for next year because there is no place to practice. "I can't lie to people I recruit," he said.

Lauren Girdler, sophomore, said that the situation is frustrating. "I just want somewhere to practice," she said.

Christina Campana, junior, said that putting a parking lot where the throw team practice field is, is like making a parking lot out of the football field. She said the university needs more parking lots, but not at the cost of an athletic facility.

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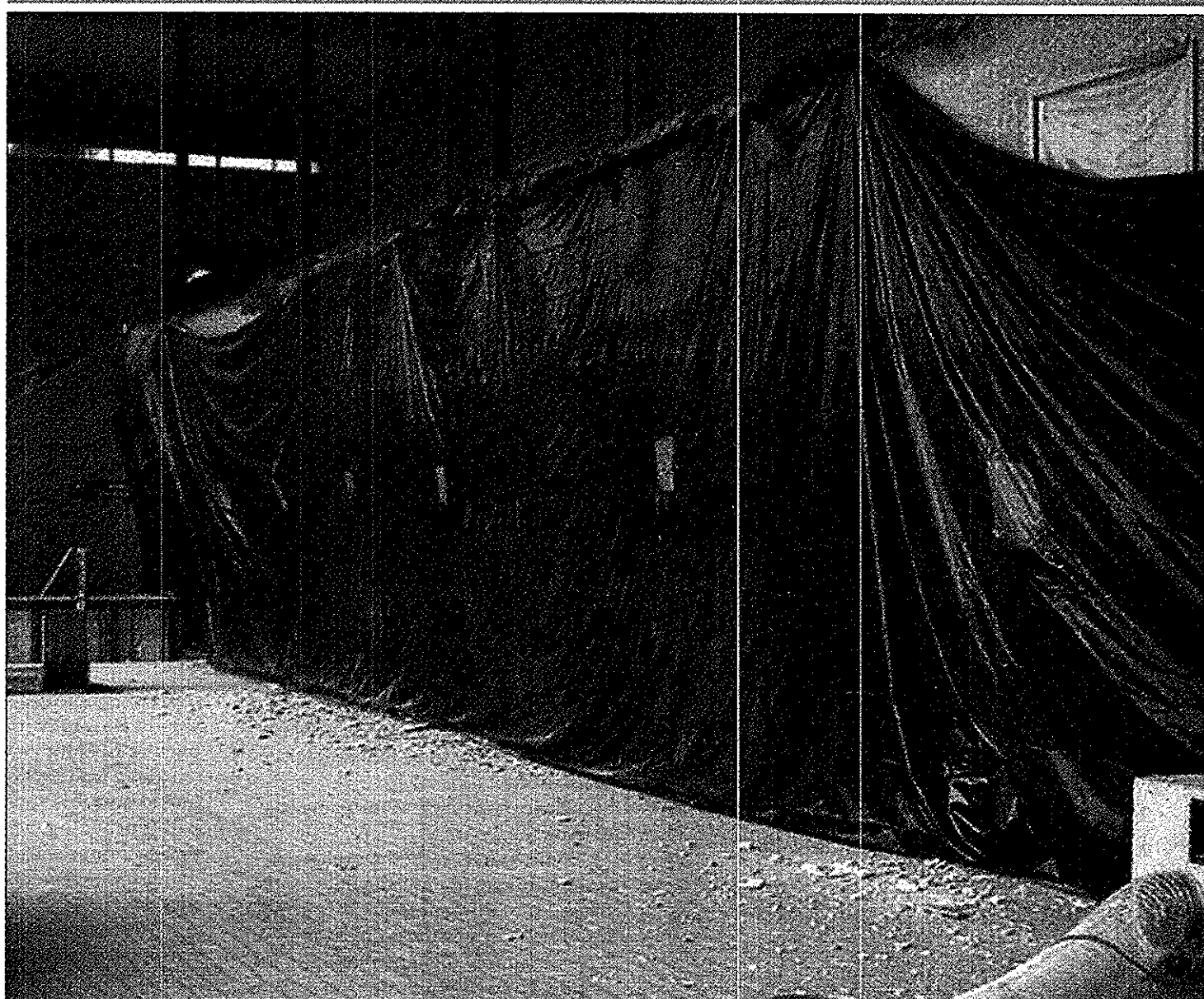
— YSU sophomore outfielder Kendall Schlach was named to the Horizon League first team last week and freshman outfielder Jim Phillips was named to the Horizon League's All-Newcomer team.

Schlach and Phillips finished the year leading the Penguins with .384, and .324 batting averages.

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— YSU Associate Athletic Director Elaine Jacobs announced Twenty one YSU student-athletes completed the spring semester with a 4.0 grade point average.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION



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REMODELING: The lobby of Beeghly Center is currently undergoing renovations, as plastic covers the entrance while construction workers remodel all areas of public access. The project will be completed by fall of this year.

Entertainment

Prada stock going public

By HEATHER PINTEA
Jambar Reporter

This month Prada announced its stock shares are going public on the Milan Exchange. A YSU professor commented on the example Coach has set for other high-end fashion designers.

Prada, an elite fashion company and producer of clothing and handbags, is most well known for women's shoes. Models and celebrities around the world wear Prada's shoes.

The majority of fashion stocks are said to have underperformed in the past, including Donna Karen, Guess, and Mossimo, but Coach stock has seemed to survive, said a Newsweek article.

It said unlike most fashion stocks, Coach has been public for about a year and a half and is selling at almost three times its offering price.

Dr. Ronald Volpe, professor, accounting and finance, said the reason why Coach is so successful may be because Coach produces a high quality product. Coach is known for

their women's handbags made of top quality Italian leather.

He said other fashion stocks that have not been so successful may be depending on the whims of the consumer, resulting in a fickle stock, but with a high quality product a company is not effected by fads.

Comparing Coach to Mercedes, Volpe said Mercedes does not make significant changes to the style of their product, yet people continue to keep buying them because they are delivering a high quality product.

Nicki Berasi, junior, fashion merchandising, said stocking up on Prada may be a good investment.

"I would probably buy Prada's stock because I think that their quality of product is equal to Coach. Prada seems to have been successful with their fulfilling the needs of their target market well."

Volpe said that if Prada does a good solid following of Coach, there is reason to believe that Prada will be successful.

Rock band's follow up disappointing

By BJ LISKO
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"Total 13," the previous album from the Backyard Babies is arguably the best rock 'n' roll record put out in the last two years. The four-piece band coined the term "Swedish Rock," combining catchy punk elements with fast straight up rock 'n' roll. The buzz around the Backyard Babies has been overwhelming, and many fans and critics hail them as the definitive leaders in the rock 'n' roll revolution.

It's no wonder their new record "Makin' Enemies Is Good," was so highly anticipated. Somewhere along the lines, though, in the recording of this album, the raw power of "Total 13" was lost, and ultimately their new disc is a disappointment.

The album gets off to a fantastic start with tracks like "I love to roll," "Payback" and "Brand new hate." Upon first listen you'd think the Backyard Babies were picking up right where they left off. However from this point on, the record drops off fast.

"Colours" is just wrong.

It's like getting kicked in the groin. The keyboards on this track take a nice buzz and instantly turn it into a hangover.

"The kids are right," and "Too tough to make some friends," are just weak, as it sounds like the Babies are more concerned with writing sing along anthems than actually writing good songs.

There are a few bright spots towards the middle and end of the record in tracks like, "My demonic side," "The clash," and bonus track, "P.O.P." Still this album falls way short of the mark. If it had come out before "Total 13," it certainly wouldn't be this big of a disappointment. It feels like the anticipation and excitement preceding this record is still just sitting there, as the Backyard Babies really failed to follow up.

For more info visit www.backyardbabies.com.

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