

Sweet speech gets mixed reviews

By JAMI BONINSEGNA
The Jambar

In his annual State of the University address Monday afternoon, University President David Sweet said YSU has been successful over the past year despite economic challenges.

Sweet highlighted the progress he said the university has made in enrollment and retention, financial resources and image.

Some who attended the Beeghly Center address said Sweet delivered a promising and encouraging speech. One university employee, however, questioned Sweet's commitment to diversity.

Sweet said the university will not be a leader in diversity, a key issue in recent contract negotiations.

"Overall the speech was good and inspiring, but I'm sorry to hear that the university will not be a leader in diversity," said Jean Engle, assistant director of Marketing and Communications. "I am a lesbian and I am out on campus. I care a lot about domestic partner benefits and issues of diversity."

In his speech, Sweet said:

"YSU will continue to provide a climate of respect for all people ... but it does not necessarily mean that YSU will always be out in front on cutting-edge social issues."

Engle said YSU should strive for more.

"That statement is unnecessarily negative about prospects for equality at YSU," Engle said. "[YSU] leads in so many areas; I want YSU to be a leader in [diversity], too."

After the speech, Sweet said being a leader in diversity is not a long-term goal for the university because the university is not "with the consensus."

Sweet credited the College of Health and Human Services, which increased its fall enrollment by 14.4 percent, for contributing to the first critical issue under the Centennial Strategic Plan: enrollment. He also said that with 1,619 minority students on campus, YSU has the largest minority enrollment in the university's history.

Sweet also said that the "administration has learned valuable lessons" over the past year through successfully negotiating new three-year contracts with YSU-OEA facul-

ty union and YSU-ACE staff union this year.

"This was the most important statement Sweet made in his address," Chris Domhoff, chief negotiator for YSU-ACE, said.

Victor Wan-Tatah, professor of philosophy and religious studies, said he appreciated Sweet's "optimistic tone."

"[The address] made it clear that President Sweet has a good sense of what the university has gone through as a com-

munity and a clear sense of mission and focus,"

Wan-Tatah said.

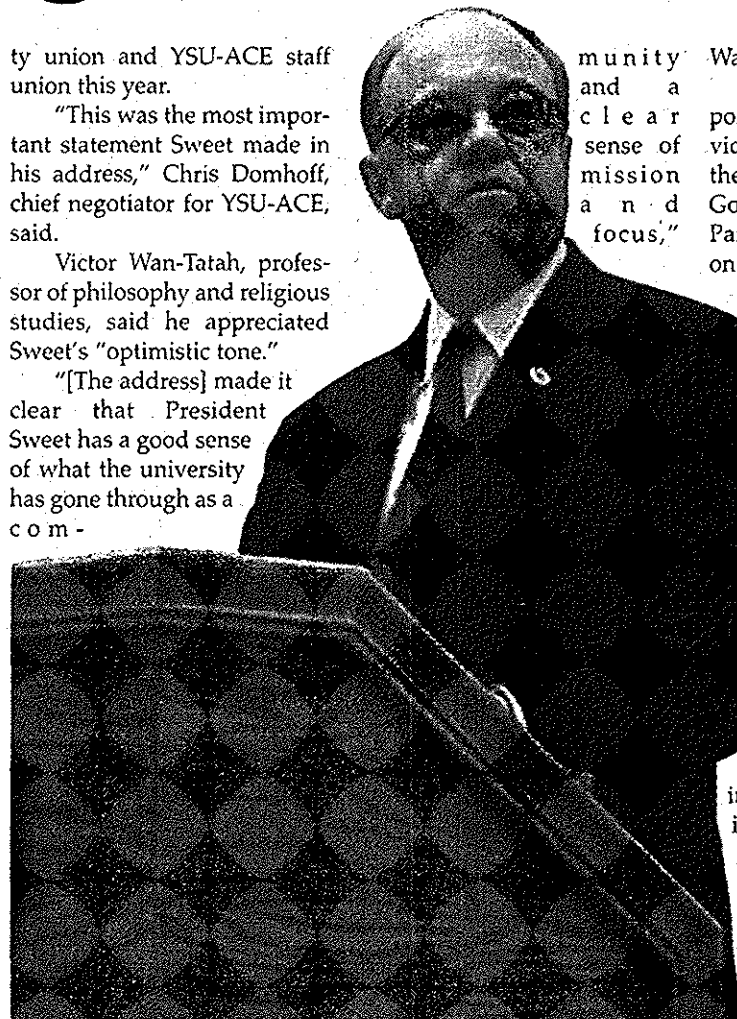
In his speech, Sweet also pointed out the success of individual YSU students including the recognition Student Government President Jeff Parks earned when featured on the cover of the national Student Leader magazine.

"Pointing out the success of students shows how students are applying what the university is teaching," Parks said.

Parks said Sweet did a good job of combining challenges the university is facing with successes.

"[Sweet] reflected a lot," Parks said. "We have a lot to learn from the past in setting goals and evaluating them, and it's good that [Sweet] is committed to them."

If he takes lessons learned from the past year's goals, we should have an even stronger year coming up."



By Lisko/The Jambar

SPEECH: University President David Sweet highlighted the progress he said the university has made in the past year in his third State of the University address Monday afternoon in Beeghly Center.

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Fry faces up to 18 months

By ANGELA OLIN
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FRY

Gary Fry, the anthropology professor arrested earlier this month on campus, could spend up to 18 months in jail and lose his job if convicted.

Fry is expected to appear at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Girard Municipal Court to enter a plea to a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle and a charge of using a weapon while intoxicated.

Since news of his arrests, Fry has continued to teach his four classes, although Sociology and Anthropology Chair John White said the professor is keeping a low profile.

Walt Ulbricht, executive director of Marketing and Communications, said Monday that the university would consider a punishment consistent with the faculty contract.

"It's a personal matter under consideration," Ulbricht said.

Fry has refused to comment to The Jambar.

The YSU-Ohio Education Association's contract justifies a felony conviction as reason to fire a faculty member.

"The appointment of a faculty member, tenured or not, may be terminated at any time for just cause," the contract states.

The unauthorized use of a vehicle charge is a fifth-degree felony carrying a maximum of one year in prison or a \$2,500 fine. The weapon charge is a misdemeanor, which could mean up to six months in jail for Fry or a \$1,000 fine.

White said it would be tough to see Fry go.

"He's a great guy to work with," White said. "He shows up on time and leaves on time."

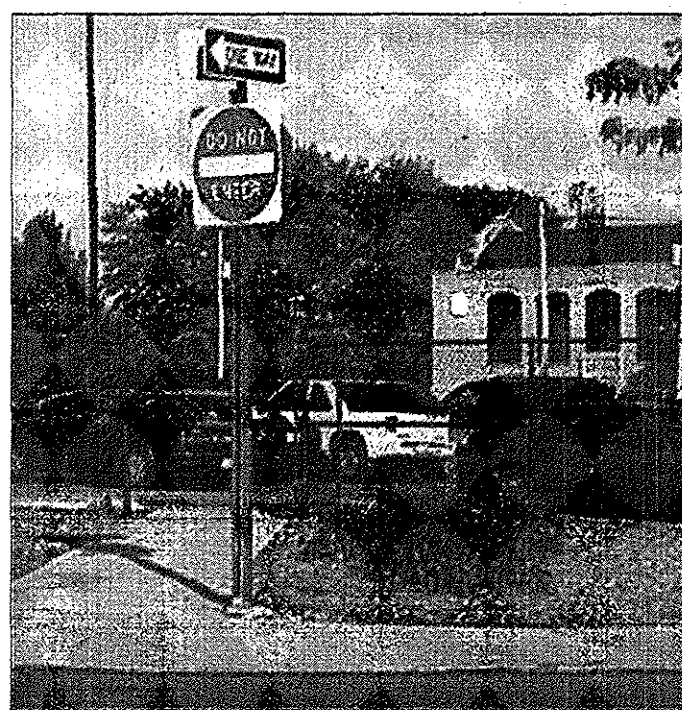
"When I walk into his classroom, the board is chalked with notes. He's a walking encyclopedia."

A look at Fry's personnel file shows an evaluation by White of the professor from 2000 for the years 1996-2000. In this evaluation, White described Fry's strengths and weaknesses.

"Dr. Fry is an invaluable part of our Anthropology program as he is our only physical anthropologist, and as such he teaches courses no one else can handle," White wrote.

White continued: "Perhaps his major contribution is to the community where he serves as a forensics expert for local law enforcement agencies."

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THEFT: The R-1 parking lot near Cafaro House was the site of the most recent automobile theft near YSU. It marked the third car theft at YSU since January.

Car security pondered

By LA'EL HUGHES
The Jambar

Campus police officials said they are not happy as they investigate what they believe to be the third car theft at YSU since January.

YSU Police Sgt. Mike Cretella said police officers need cooperation from students, faculty and staff to prevent car thieves from doing business on campus.

Last week, sophomore Marcia Hunsicker reported her car stolen from the R-1 parking lot near Cafaro House. Friday, Cretella offered advice to students on how to keep their cars safe.

"It is important that people report any suspicious characters, or sounds of breaking glass, or someone breaking

into a car," Cretella said.

Hunsicker said her car was parked near a security booth and under a light post with all the doors locked. She noticed last Wednesday that her car was missing from the R-1 parking lot.

"It was nothing but broken glass remaining in the space," she said.

Although she noticed the car missing Wednesday, police have records from a tow company that indicate the car was stolen and ditched several days earlier.

Hunsicker said because she does not drive every day, she was unaware of her missing car for almost four days.

However, it was her mother who informed her about her missing car, and prompted her to go to the parking lot.

Hunsicker's mother was contacted and told her daughter's car was being towed by St. Elizabeth Health Center security. The vehicle was found abandoned on Park Avenue and Belmont.

Cretella stressed students should not become lazy just because they are at YSU.

"Crime can happen anywhere and it is important to take the necessary steps to protect your belongings," he said. "The YSU police can not be everywhere all the time."

"Students should conceal anything that they value. That includes cell phones, CDs, coats, CD faces. These are the items that [criminals] are looking for."

Hunsicker, however, felt

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Representatives receive goals for fall semester

By MELISSA MOSCHELLA
The Jambar



PARKS

Student Government President Jeff Parks distributed this year's fall Semester Goals and Strategies to SG representatives and officers at Monday's meeting.

Goals discussed at this semester's first SG meeting in

conjunction with goals from an SG summer retreat were the foundation for the goals and strategies.

Parks said he would like to see input from the student body when establishing goals and strategies for spring semester.

The five-page list of goals outlined three main priority areas in which SG plans to:

— Restructure by reorganizing the structure and functions of SG to more efficiently and effectively handle business.

— Refocus by prioritizing SG business so that those issues more important and relevant to students receive the most attention and resources, and

— Reconnect by re-establishing a strong working relationship and open communication between the student body and SG.

Other items discussed at Monday's meeting included the first reading for a resolution to change the number of SG Cabinet members from nine to five.

"The responsibilities will not be different, they are just distributed different," Parks told representatives.

Parks also proposed changes to the SG executive board. If passed, SG officers would include a president, an executive vice president for academic affairs, a vice president for student affairs, a vice president for financial affairs, and a parliamentarian.

The board currently consists of a president, vice-president, second vice-president, executive secretary and parliamentarian.

Also Monday, five of six organizations seeking SG money were approved for funding.

The Student Nurses Association could not be approved for requested funding because they are not a recognized student organization.

Parks said SG can spend about \$30,000 a year for the 80 to 90 organizations on campus.

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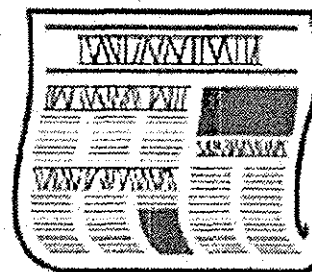
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Freshman Readers Dialogue Clue:
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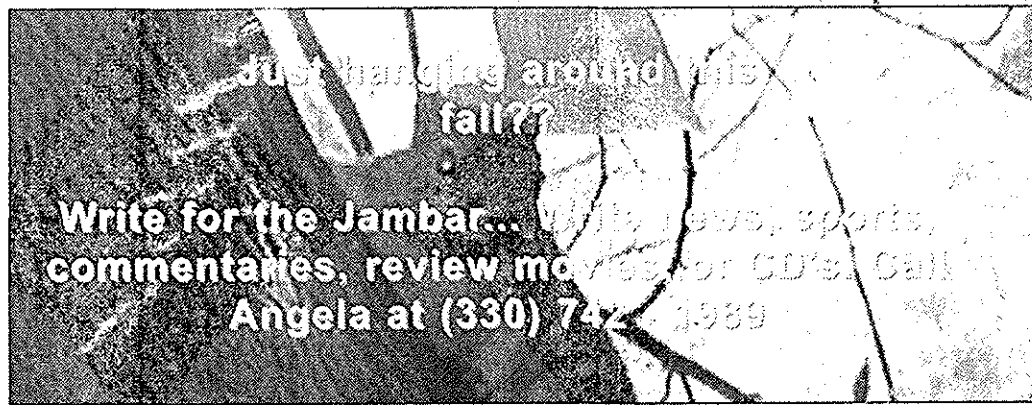
News in brief

Sigma Chi, a YSU fraternity, will hold its annual Derby Days competition this week. The activities help to raise money for Tod Children's Hospital in Youngstown.

Events began Monday evening at the fraternity's Indiana Avenue home and conclude Friday with a celebration.

Activities include a car bust 10 a.m. Thursday on the YSU tennis courts and a Derby Days queen competition at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Kilcawley Center's Chestnut Room.

All proceeds will be presented by check during a telethon for the children's hospital.



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she did take the necessary steps.

"I didn't leave anything valuable in my car," she said. "The only thing they took was my cell phone charger and my parking pass out of my window."

"I think they just wanted to steal a car. My car is 12 years old; they just stole it because they felt like stealing it."

Hunsicker said her car is being assessed for damages and hopes the damages do not total more than the worth of the car or her insurance will not pay for it.

Cretella warned students that it is common for car thieves to do a procedure called "light stripping" where the thief takes the car stereo,

tires and hubcaps.

Though the YSU police participate in various programs pressing the importance of car security, Cretella said: "Every year we have hundreds of students that do not lock their car doors and put away their belongings away."

He said students need to either hide their belongings, put them in the trunk or take them to class.

Cretella also mentioned, how students should limit the amount of valuables in their car if they can.

"Why take all your CDs to school when you probably only have time to listen to one?" he asked. "If you have a CD case, take it and put it in your book bag."

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Today's Editorial

Wanted: A quarterback

WHAT WE THINK — Penguin playoff hopes hinge on Heacock's revolving door at QB.

Talk about throwing out the depth chart. Penguins Head Coach Jon Heacock just can't seem to find a starting quarterback.

In all fairness, finding a replacement for four-year starter Jeff Ryan was not going to be easy work for the second-year coach. But with a stable of promising candidates, no one has stepped forward to carry the Penguins back to the postseason.

The Penguins cannot win this season with a quarterback-by-committee approach. They are 1-2 and have lost consecutive games for the first time since 1998.

Colby Street began the season as Heacock's No. 1, running into some jams against a surprising Clarion team. Luis Gonzalez also got some early snaps. But after a loss to longtime rival McNeese State, Heacock proclaimed the quarterback race wide open and began two weeks of musical chairs and speculation by local sports media.

Now, Heacock has dropped Street and Gonzalez down the depth chart and decided to take a look at senior Justin Green. In Saturday's 13-7 loss to conference rival Western Kentucky University, Green went 7-for-17 in passing attempts and threw an interception. Seeing limited playing time, Street completed three of five passes with one interception.

Of the faltering triumvirate of QB candidates, only Street has completed half of his passes and stands at exactly 50 percent. There also is talk of redshirt freshman Aaron Marshall entering the mix.

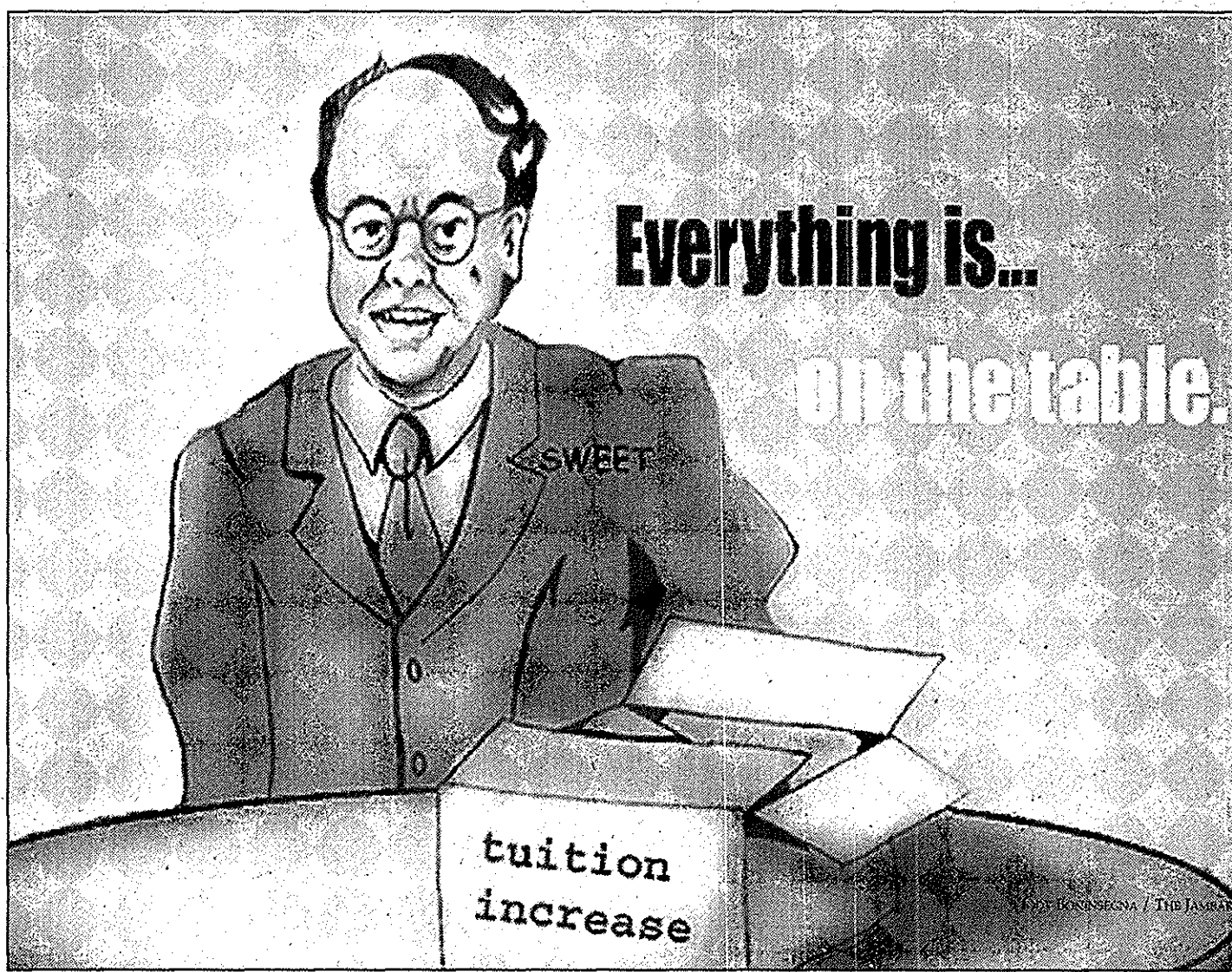
The Penguins cannot afford an extended preseason for quarterbacks to audition for the starting job. Street, a senior, has shown considerable skill despite a shaky showing against Clarion. Marshall was No. 1 on the depth chart after spring practices.

But stability is needed for this inconsistent Penguins team. Heacock must choose a starter and stick with him.

This is a talented team with much potential. P.J. Mays is a Walter Payton Award candidate. Josiah Doby is having a fantastic year.

Rushing has been a strength, but the offense needs some steady hands behind it to pass the playoff muster.

Under the Table and Dreaming



I spy a parking spot — many, actually

BETWEEN THE LINES

By Henry Gomez



Joe Scarnecchia was just like you.

As a student at YSU in the 1970s, Scarnecchia drove to school every day. He bypassed parking lots far from his classes in search of something closer to the campus core. Not always pleased with the availability, Scarnecchia said he often parked illegally and racked up countless tickets and fines.

"I can't tell you how much money I wasted," Scarnecchia said.

He did not, however, pay the fines with pennies.

Today, Joe Scarnecchia is director of Support Services, the administrative department that oversees the much criticized Parking Services: On the flip side of his college days, Scarnecchia said he was a little disturbed by a Jambor editorial encouraging students to protest limited parking by paying fines and fees with loose change.

Last Wednesday, I took a ride with Scarnecchia to observe some of the most popular and most anonymous lots on campus. During what Scarnecchia describes as peak hours for YSU commuters — between 9 and 11 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays — we toured the lots and took notice of the many empty spaces.

It was eye-opening to say the least. As a student who normally arrives on campus before 9 and sometimes sneaks into the visitors' lot outside Fedor Hall, I counted handfuls of open spaces in M-24, the paved lot between McDonald's and Taco Bell.

Still, students with YSU parking hang tags visible through their windshield had parked on the street alongside the enclosed M-24, far from the eyes of a parking attendant.

Just off the Madison Avenue Expressway, at least seven empty spots were visible in the mixed lot near Wick and

Weller, close to Kilcawley and Beeghly centers and Fedor Hall.

Across campus near Meshel Hall, clusters of empty spaces welcomed us to the upper decks of M-1 on Wick Avenue. Scarnecchia swore to me he was not trying to deliver a sales pitch as he marveled at the prolific parking possibilities.

Even in a small, relatively obscure student lot next to Melnick Hall there were open spots.

But that did not stop some from moving orange cones in the lot and invading a construction zone with their Jettas and Cavaliers.

On Rayen Avenue, across from the Beeghly College of Education, a mixed lot offered ample parking for education majors. A block away, however, three cars with YSU tags were being towed from the

"As a student who normally arrives on campus before 9 and sometimes sneaks into the visitors' lot outside Fedor Hall, I counted handfuls of open spaces in M-24, the paved lot between McDonald's and Taco Bell."

Mr. Hero parking lot.

Tows and tickets happen every day, Scarnecchia said.

Parking Services cannot control the tows at places like Mr. Hero or on streets such as Lincoln Avenue, which are patrolled by the Youngstown Police Department and scouted by local tow companies.

And ticketing, despite gripes from some students, is not a device to make money, Scarnecchia said.

The longtime Penguin pointed to nearby schools like the University of Akron, where he said parking permits will rise to more than \$100 per semester within the next few years.

YSU rates have not changed since the early 1990s, Scarnecchia said. To keep operating costs down, Scarnecchia said Support

and Parking services scout state and local agencies for used, discounted equipment and vehicles.

Regardless, Scarnecchia understands that, like him more than 20 years ago, students want close, convenient parking. But he doesn't sympathize.

When he was a student, YSU enrollment totaled more than 15,000. Today, figures are in the 12 to 13,000 range.

Plus, Scarnecchia said, there are lots more lots today. He pointed to M-24, the Rayen lot and the new residence hall lots.

The Smokey Hollow lots behind M-1 that Scarnecchia avoided at any cost — usually a fine — back in the 1970s, are now closed. Parking, he contends, is not a problem.

In addition, Scarnecchia said there are plans to expand the gravel lot between Taco Bell and his Fifth Avenue office to a paved lot reaching down to Belmont Avenue.

This lot, he said, would provide a close, convenient lot for College of Arts & Sciences students in DeBartolo Hall.

One sympathy Scarnecchia does have is for students and staff forced out of lots the first week of fall semester to accommodate tailgating Penguin fans. The football schedule, he said, is made years in advance.

When YSU switched to semesters — meaning class and football started the same week — there was no way to turn away tailgaters who also book the lots years in advance.

And while recognizing that as the one valid piece of criticism students have levied at his department, Scarnecchia said he always is open to suggestions.

Many suggestions from students, he said, often become reality. He worked with Student Government in the early 1990s when rates were increased. Before our ride together last week, SG President Jeff Parks took the same tour.

Joe Scarnecchia cares about YSU students. After all, he's been there.

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Letter to the Editor

Patriotism helps keep Penguin pride alive

Editor:

I want to add my voice to the letter written by Ricky George in the Sept. 19 Jambor.

To those who felt the 9-11 ceremony on our campus was an example of "excessive patriotism" ... who cares?

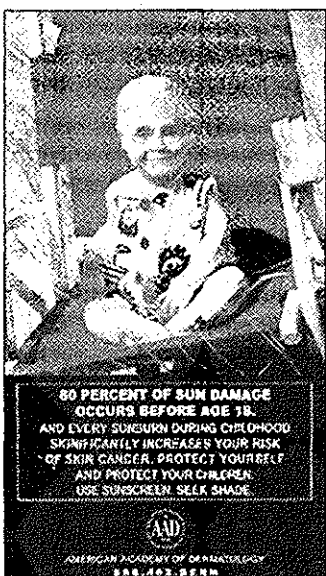
I am so proud of our student and university leaders for not being afraid to show everyone just how much we love our country. Too patriotic, indeed! The flag pole in and of itself was long overdue on this campus ... and it took the foresight of two student leaders to not only bring a flagpole, but a very fitting

memorial to YSU. I applaud them!

If any of you naysayers listened to the "Ron Verb" talk show on the radio that evening on the drive home, you would have heard how eloquently Jackie Lynch spoke about her husband Terry's love of country, the Mahoning Valley and YSU.

It's because of our very patriotism that dissenters are free to speak out. I, for one, am very proud to be an American and pretty darn proud to be a "penguin," too.

Mary Lynn Pavone
Secretary, Geological and Environmental Sciences



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White did have two suggestions for Fry in the evaluation concerning students in his classes and the university.

"Get students involved in copolite studies to expand their education as well as their research interests," White wrote.

He added: "Get more involved in university services."

White ended the evaluation by writing that Fry "continues to be an asset to the university and the anthropology program."

YSU police arrested Fry in his DeBartolo Hall lab Sept 10 on the vehicle charge.

In September 2001, Fry was arrested for marijuana drug abuse. He was found guilty and ordered to pay fines.

Fry has been teaching at YSU since 1970 and makes \$83,600 a year.

Stephanie Zaloveck contributed to this article.

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hitter. "Colleen is a tremendous player, she is definitely playing well," he said. "I saw her as a senior in high school, she played in the middle. We moved her to the outside and she has just blossomed in that position."

Conroy said he's also been impressed with the play of Batton in the middle and two freshmen, Kennedy and setter Angie Pasquinelli.

"Nicole [Kennedy] has been pretty much unstoppable as a left-handed hitter. Plus she jumps high and hits hard," Conroy said. "Angie has all the talent to become a great setter, she just now has to learn the flow of how the game goes."

"They've both been playing quite well and they'll both see more playing time," he added.

Heading into their recent weekend tournament, the Penguins record stood at 4-6.

Conroy says overall he has been pleased with the play of his team but there are some areas that must improve. Conroy points to defense and passing as specific areas.

"The strength of our team is blocking. Right now we're leading the conference in blocks but we're last in defense," he said. "Defense starts with not letting the ball hit the floor and it's hitting the floor way too many times."

Conroy added, "Defense transitions into offense and we're a little slow on that."

After losing four seniors from last year's squad Conroy says the team is talented but young and inexperienced right now. He said only two out of nine players are playing positions they've played before.

"We have the talent, we have the ability but the motivation and experience is lacking," Conroy said. "I have a lot kids who were great high school

players but now it's time to step up to the next level."

This weekend the Penguins begin Horizon League play and Conroy says the strong early season schedule gives him confidence in his team's chances.

"The toughest part of our season is over with," he said. "This is our second year now and we're picked last, no one is expecting us to do anything in the league. If we work hard [we will] — we have the talent. We just have to believe more and put it all together."

The Penguins start conference play Saturday night when they clash with Cleveland State, a team considered to be their main rival in the conference.

Royer said, "We're evenly matched and we split with each other last year. It will be a great game."

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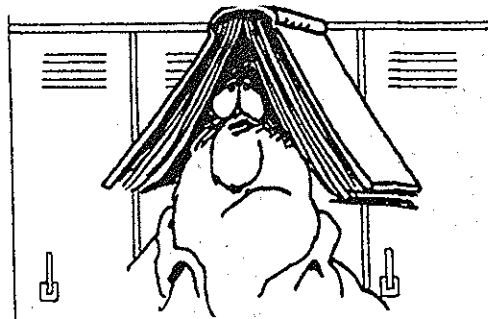
Campus Calendar

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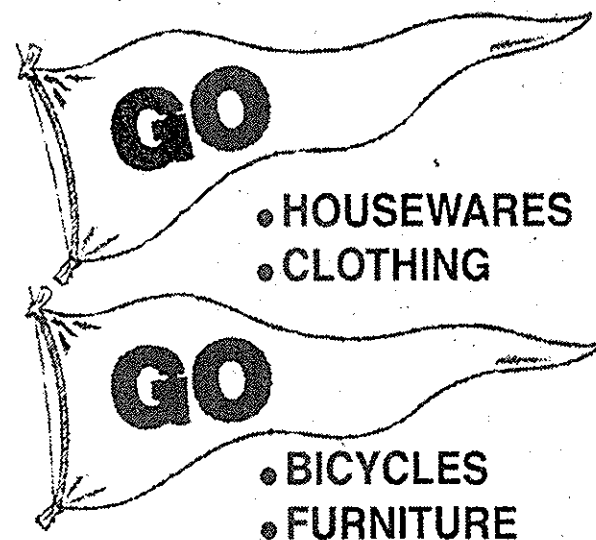


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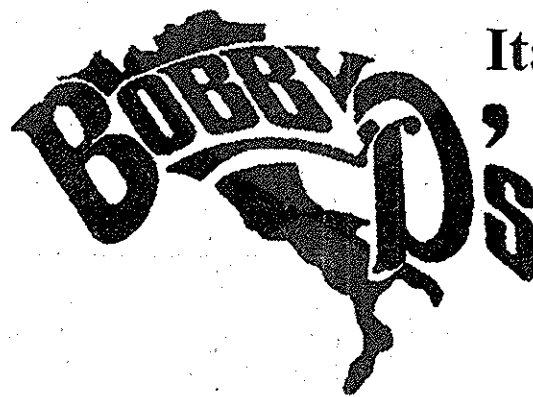
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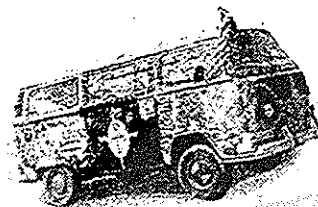
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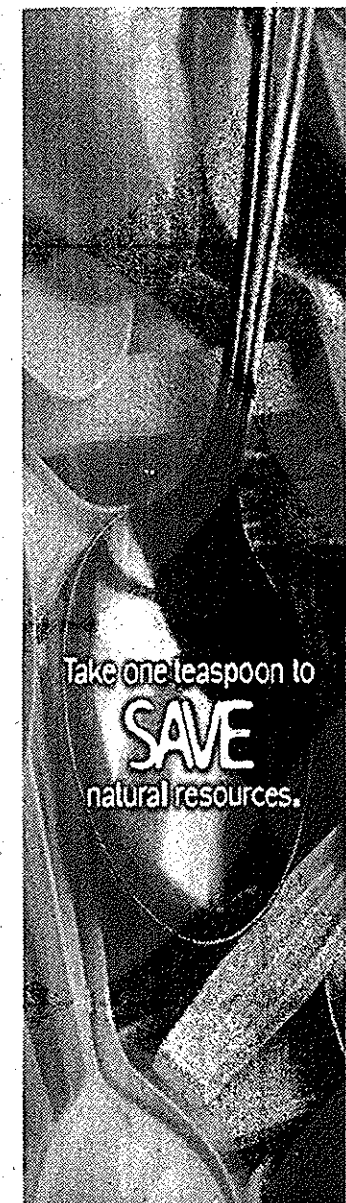
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Sports & Recreation

Volleyball team to open home season

BY DAVE DEVEREUX
The Jambar

The YSU volleyball team will host Cleveland State University Saturday at 7 p.m. in the Beeghly Center for their first home match of the season.

As their season-opening 14-match road swing winds down, Volleyball Coach Joe Conroy and his players seem to agree on one thing—they've all had their fill of road games and are ready to come home.

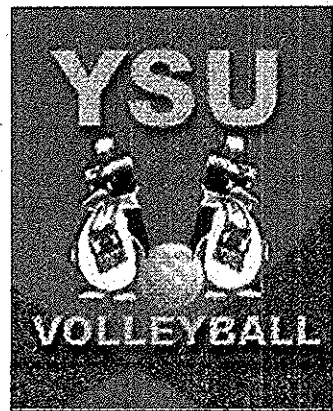
"Our shoulders are about ready to fall off," said junior Colleen Royer, as the team prepared for their recent tournament in Niagara, N.Y. "We all feel so tired and worn out right now. It'll feel great playing at home in this gym; this is the best gym to play in. And, our family and friends can watch us play."

Conroy says he believes the long road trip has benefited the team from a camaraderie standpoint, however, he too, is looking forward to this stretch coming to an end.

"Sometimes on the road it does create good team chemistry because you're spending so much time together. You're in the hotels, you're in the airports, you eat together, and when you're at home everyone kind of goes their separate ways," Conroy said. "I see the

girls enjoying it and growing in their personalities as we go."

When asked about returning home to play, Conroy responded, "It will be exciting to play at home though, it really would be. I hope we can pick it up and have that comfort ability factor of playing in our own backyard."



In the first month of the season, the Penguins schedule consisted of several road matches against formidable non-conference opponents.

At the FAU Radisson Classic in Boca Raton, Fla., the Penguins dropped matches to Florida Atlantic and Minnesota, while managing to defeat North Carolina State in five games. Leading the Penguins in victory were Royer, senior Michelle Batton, and sophomore Lori Lyman.

Royer recorded a double-double with 15 kills and 10 digs, while Batton collected 14 kills and seven blocks. Lyman added 12 kills with a .550 hitting percentage.

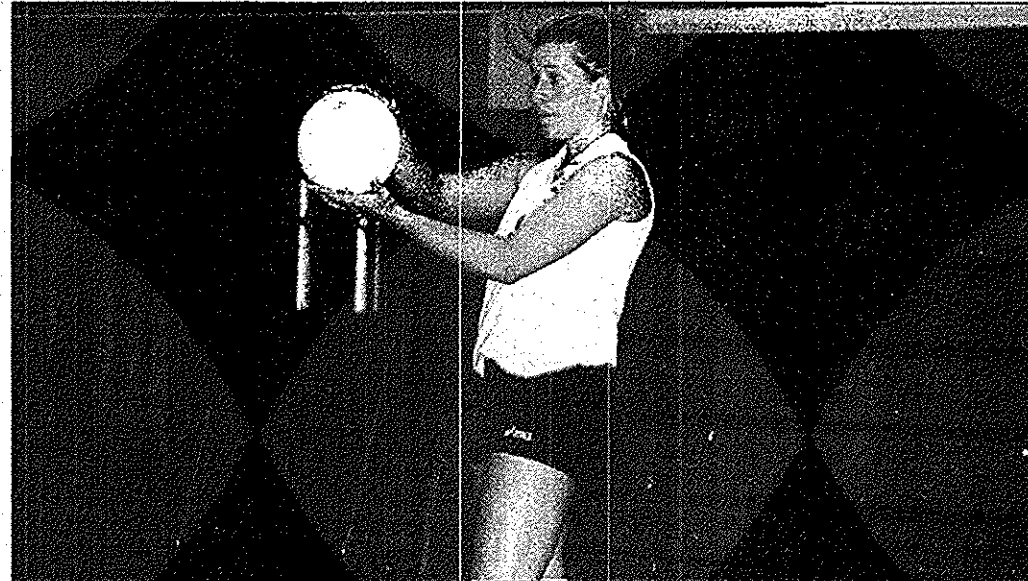
Next, the Penguins visited Toledo for the Toledo Rocket Volleyball Classic. Following a loss to Toledo, the Penguins rallied by winning matches over Jacksonville State and Chicago State. In the loss to Toledo, Royer collected her second consecutive double-double with 15 kills and 10 digs while also recording two aces and five blocks.

At the UMKC Kangaroo Classic in Kansas City, Mo., the Penguins finished with a 1-3 record after dropping matches to Winthrop, UMKC, and Iowa State. In their victory over Duquesne, four players recorded at least 10 kills a piece, including freshman Nicole Kennedy with a career-high 12, Batton with 11, while Lyman and junior Annie Buschur finished with 10.

For the second time in as many tournaments, Royer was named to the All-Tournament Team after tallying 65 kills and 62 digs over four matches.

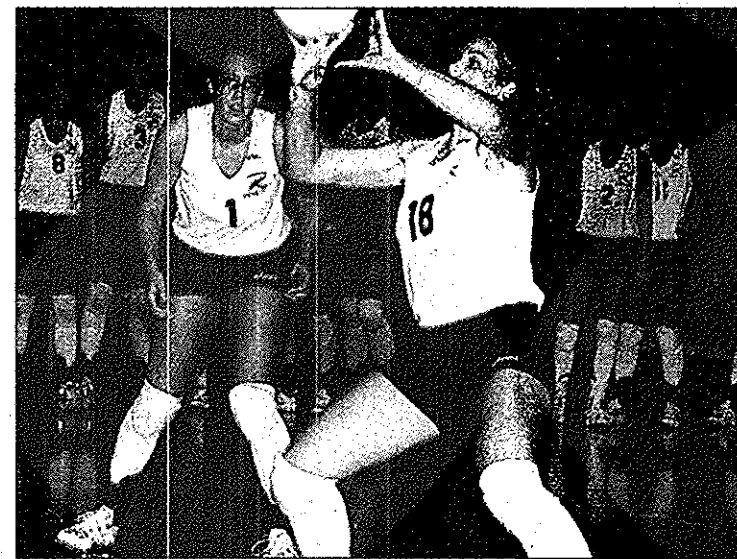
Conroy says he's been nothing but impressed with the play of his junior outside hitter.

See PENGUINS, page 4



Photos courtesy of Sports information

SERVE IT UP: Senior Cameron Drake (top) gets ready to serve, while junior Annie Buschur (right) sets up a spike. The Penguins volleyball team will host Cleveland State in their home opener Saturday at 7 p.m. in Beeghly Center.



For more sports visit www.thejambar.com Wednesday.

Penguins downed by Western Kentucky 13-7

BY JOE SIMON
The Jambar

For the first time in their six seasons in the Gateway Conference, the YSU football team lost its conference opener.

The Penguins lost to the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers 13-7 in a game Head Coach Jon Heacock called "a war."

The quarterback carousel continued as the Penguins (1-2 overall, 0-1 in the Gateway conference) opted to start senior Justin Green. Fellow senior Colby Street had started the first two games, with junior Luis Gonzalez also getting a number of snaps during those games. Saturday it was Green's

turn to take the reigns and show that he could lead the Penguins to victory.

After two sub par performances against Clarion and McNeese State the Penguins were looking to ignite the offense against a very physical and gritty Western Kentucky team. However, defense was the name of the game on Saturday as every play and every yard was critical.

Unfortunately, for the Penguins, the team came up a few yards short.

The Hilltoppers initiated the scoring and jumped out to an early first quarter lead when Peter Martinez kicked a 36-yard field goal. However, that

lead wouldn't stand for long, as YSU started the second quarter with an impressive nine-play 73-yard touchdown drive. Green connected with wide receiver Jerard Burley for a 32-yard gain that put YSU on the Hilltoppers 3-yard line.

Senior running back P.J. Mays then punched it in from two yards out to give YSU a 7-3 lead. The Penguins offense then stalled and a poor punt of only 33 yards put the Hilltoppers at the Penguins 29-yard line.

The good field position assisted the Hilltoppers in scoring and also regaining the lead 10-7.

Senior punter Kosta

Karapetsas, a Warren native, had a rough day as he averaged a meager 32 yards per punt.

With just over three minutes remaining in the first half the Penguins came roaring back, mounting a 79-yard drive down to the Hilltoppers 4-yard line.

YSU had a first and goal opportunity literally slip away when Green mishandled the snap from center Nick Thomas and Western Kentucky defensive back Antonio Thomas, who also made a big interception late in the game, recovered it on the 1-yard line.

The fumble would prove to be very costly as YSU failed

to score for the rest of the game.

Down by a touchdown in the second half, YSU attempted a late rally with a senior quarterback duo of Street and Green.

Although each quarterback looked capable of moving the team, both threw a costly fourth quarter interception that essentially finished any hopes for a win.

"You can't turn the football over," Heacock said after the game. "You're not going to win on the road, in this conference or any place else, when you turn the football over and we turned it over."

Despite the loss the coach

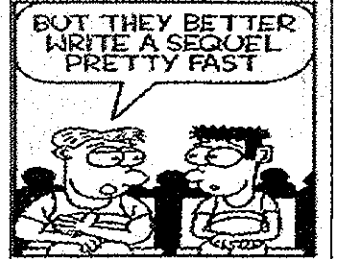
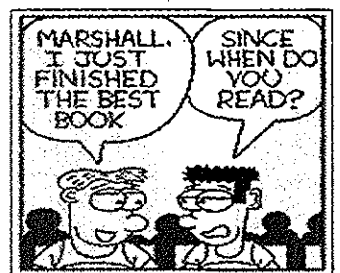
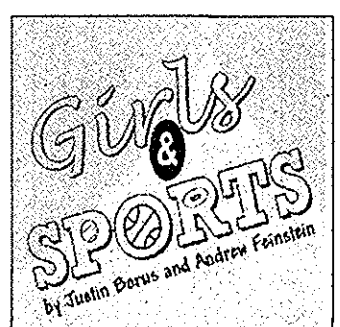
said, "I'm proud of the character of our kids, they've really stuck together through some tough times and ... they continue to work hard."

The Penguins stay on the road next week when they take on another conference rival in Southwest Missouri State.

In six games against Southwest Missouri State, the Penguins have never lost to the Bears.

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