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YSU NEWS

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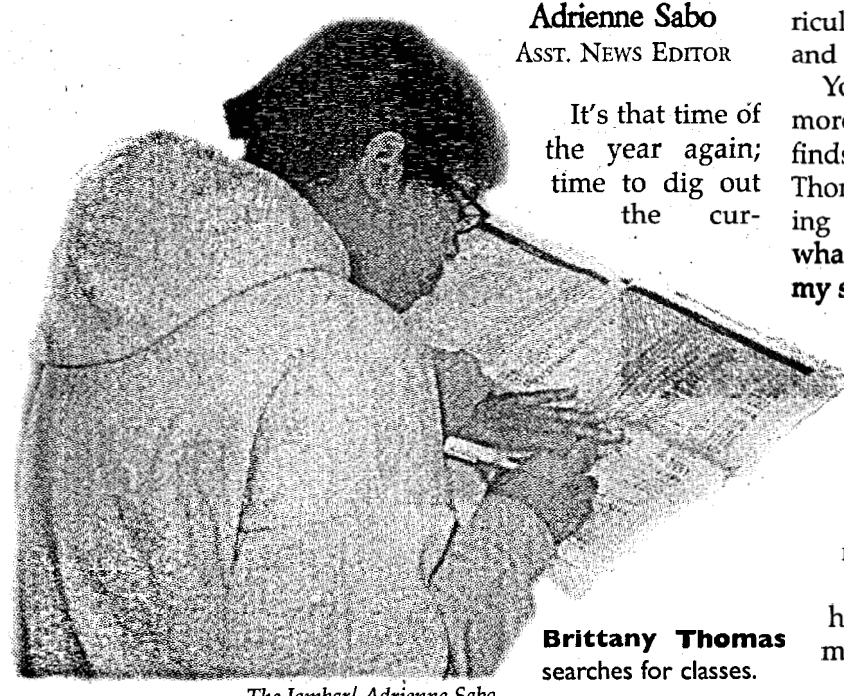
Eta Sigma Gamma would like you to give them some food. The YSU health honors society is looking for students to offer canned and boxed goods, as well as cash donations, as they will be holding a food drive on Monday and Tuesday. A drop-off box for all contributions will be left in Kilcawley Center for the two days, next to the Candy Counter. All items and money collected will be given to the Second Harvest Food Bank, giving them some much-needed support before the holiday season. "Anything that's packaged and non-perishable will be fine," said Margaret Beniston, one of the volunteers for this event. "Although with Thanksgiving coming up, holiday themed items like mashed potatoes, stuffing mix, and cranberry sauce would be appreciated." This is the first time the sorority has organized a food drive.

Free health fair at the Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center

Tests for bone density, body fat, blood sugar and fitness are among the activities at a health fair, today, in the Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center located on the YSU campus. The event will run from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. and will also feature booths providing information on various health topics. The free tests are available to YSU students, faculty and staff.

Students struggle with scheduling

Advisers encourage students to seek help before registering



The Jambor/ Adrienne Sabo

Adrienne Sabo
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

It's that time of the year again; time to dig out the cur-

riculum sheet, find a schedule of classes and register for spring semester.

Youngstown State University sophomore, Brittany Thomas said that she finds the scheduling process frustrating. Thomas said, "The hardest part is looking through the bulletin and deciding what to take and see if it will work with my schedule."

Visiting an adviser on campus can help ease the pain of scheduling for some.

Thomas visits her advisor every semester for help. She said, "She is really helpful with letting me know what I need to do now and what I need to do next semester."

Other students said professors help them decide what classes to take more than advisors, but many advi-

sors are professors.

YSU senior Heather Novak said she finds that talking to professors is beneficial when deciding which classes to take. She said, "Advisors are useful if you don't understand something on your curriculum sheet. Otherwise I find it more helpful to talk to professors about issues such as class content and when the classes are generally offered, especially if they are only offered once every other semester."

Novak, who visited an advisor this semester because of her upcoming graduation, said that the most frustrating part of scheduling is finding out what semester classes are offered in order to graduate on time.

Mary Lou Weingart, senior academic

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Internships should relate to students' majors

Cristina Cala
COPY EDITOR

When seeking the perfect internship, students may have some homework to do.

Whether the Disney Theme Park & Resorts college Program at the Walt Disney World Resort a worthwhile internship or college students can spend on their field.

Representatives from Disney's College Program visited Youngstown State

University this week. While Alana R. Partridge, regional recruiter for the program, calls the Disney College Program a possible career door opener and a valuable way to network and build transferable skills, some YSU faculty say an ideal internship should relate to students' majors.

Jane Reid of YSU's Marketing Department sees it both ways. She offers eight non-profit, grant-funded internships a semester in Trumbull and

Mahoning Counties. While students would not get credit for the Disney College Program because it is not a non-profit organization, internships needn't always directly relate to students' majors, she said. Reid said her department's certificate is good for any student pursuing a four-year degree.

"They're non-profit so basically they can fit into any field ... It goes beyond just marketing," she said.

There is room for varied

majors in these non-profit internships, as long as the internships do tie to students' majors.

"The purpose of the internship is to get a feel for what their type of work experience is going to be like," Reid said.

If an internship must be "something they can use" in a career, students might wonder how lucrative selling hot dogs in Disney is.

In a Jambor article last week, YSU students who

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Peer assistants ease transition into college

Jessica Petrinjak
JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR

Students looking for a resourceful shoulder to lean on have somewhere to turn at Youngstown State University.

Peer assistants in the center for Student Progress are trained mentors, and college students themselves, helping first-year students with the transition into college life.

"Students usually come to us when they are panicked," peer assistant Cat Hindman said.

Fresh out of high school, students are set up with a peer assistant at orientation, according to Tysa Egleton, coordinator of Center for Student Progress Orientation Services. According to Egleton, students who do not attend orientation are contacted via telephone or



The Jambor/ Ashley Tate

Peer assistant Pam Abby meets with student James Rogers. P.A.s have access to midterm grades and help students schedule.

mail. "When students come to us they understand we are informed resources,"

Hindman said.

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Election 2006

Student Reactions



Melissa Frederick
Junior

On smoking ban:

"It takes away their [smokers'] rights. We should've preserved both rights [to smoke and not to smoke] by setting up businesses that let businesses and people decide whether they want to smoke or not. It is different than California that has a smoking ban. It is typically warm enough there for people to go outside and smoke. We can't always do that there."



Ruth Miller
Sophomore

On smoking ban:

"I think you should be able to go into a bar and have a cigarette."

On the minimum wage increase:

"These people make less than that. They deserve to make a decent wage."



Robert McElroy
Freshman

On smoking ban:

"I think you should be able to smoke anywhere you want because you should be able to do what you want."

On the minimum wage increase:

"We needed to increase it [the minimum wage] because there are a lot of single mothers out there that only make \$5.15 [an hour] and that's not enough for them to live off of."



Sara Kutsko
Sophomore

On smoking ban:

"I think it will be good for people because it will probably get them to stop smoking. However, it will probably take some business away from bars because people are used to smoking there."

On the minimum wage increase:

"It will increase my wage and it will increase the cost of goods because people are going to make more money. I think it will hurt some of them [businesses]."

Compiled by Jason Kelly

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YOUNGSTOWN

Walnut Street to undergo makeover

Renee Hardman
REPORTER

In downtown Youngstown, between Wood and Commerce Streets, lies Walnut Street, one that will soon receive a complete urban makeover.

Wick Neighbors, Inc. is composed of a group of representatives from surrounding local organizations and is trying to develop, revitalize and enhance the greater Youngstown area.

Wick Neighbors, Inc. formed a coalition with representatives from Youngstown CityScape, Cassese's MVR, Youngstown State University, Mahoning County Juvenile Court, Ohio Edison, Choffin Career Center, First Presbyterian Church of Youngstown, the Better Business Bureau, Downtown YMCA, Butler Presbyterian Church, Iron and String Life Enhancement Inc. and Smoky Hollow residents.

The coalition will focus on the Smoky Hollow District, an area that borders Wick Avenue. The group is calling the Walnut Street renovation project "The Walnut Street Gateway Enhancement Coalition of Wick Neighbors, Inc."

Wednesday, city workers, along with the Coalition, removed concrete barriers on Walnut Street that blocked passage from Commerce Street to Wood Street.

The barriers were replaced with evergreen planters from Youngstown CityScape, who will maintain the planters.

Co-Chairwoman of the Walnut Street Gateway Enhancement Coalition and YSU graduate, Donna

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YSU

Dental hygienic program preps potential admissions

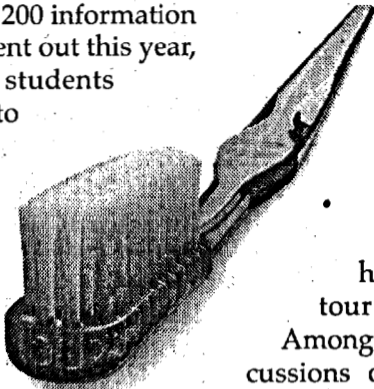
Jenny Boyce
NEWS REPORTER

Prospective students and their parents were welcomed to an open house by Youngstown State University's Dental Hygiene Program Tuesday, in the Ohio Room of Kilcawley Center.

Of the estimated 200 information packets that were sent out this year, only 25 selected students will be accepted into the program.

"It's very competitive," said second-year dental hygienic student John Murray. "Every year, there are about 150 people who apply, but there are only 25 spots available in the clinic."

Faculty members in dental hygiene gave short lectures on the ins and outs of a two-year program,



including the second-year licensure examinations that will determine the students' outcome.

"Sometimes we have one or two students who don't pass the exams," said Madeleine Haggerty, director of the Dental Hygienic Program. "But those who don't pass it the first time do pass the second time."

The open house also offered a question/answer session by the student panel, made up of second-year dental hygienic students, and a tour of Cushwa's clinic.

Among the more popular discussions of the night were the requirements upon entering the program.

"A very limited number of students come into the program out of high school," said Associate Professor Debbie Juruaz. "Most students entering are already current students, with a background in



The Jambar/Jenny Boyce

A student panel of dental hygienic students (from left: Sarah Peterson, President John Murray, Treasurer Angela Scenna and Tara Bartisavitch) answered questions from high school students, their parents and current students interested in the program.

general courses like chemistry and algebra."

The rarity of high school students that are accepted into the program discouraged some of the younger visitors in particular.

"I like how they have a 1:6 ratio, so that the professors are working with a smaller number of students firsthand," said high school senior Erica Davidson, from Boardman. "But the chances don't seem too good that I'll get in my first year."

YSU's dental hygienic faculty encourage students who are accept-

ed to not only take on courses prior to entering, but also to take further courses if they desire a bachelor's degree.

"This two-year program does not offer a bachelor's degree," said Senior Academic Advisor Harry "Jody" Patrick, who assured that passing the licensure exam was the major requirement of potential dental hygienists. "But those who wish to can work towards a bachelor's degree in the health field while completing this program."

YSU

YSU professor to attend conference in China

Samuel Robinson
JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR

Youngstown State University History Professor Fred Viehe has been selected as a delegate to attend the 2006 U.S.-China Joint Education Conference, taking place Nov. 10-17 in Beijing.

The weeklong conference, organized by the People to People Ambassador Program and the China Education Association for International Exchange (CEAIE), will explore the Chinese basic education system.

For many years the educational system in China was without structure. Only in the last few

years has China made progress in their basic education program, which is important considering that in 2002, there were 456,900 primary schools with an enrollment of 20, 360,200 children. The main focus of the conference is to establish modern ideas within the Chinese educational system.

"The purpose of the conference is to upgrade China's educational system," Viehe said.

Topics will include reading and literacy, mathematics and early childhood education.

"I am attending basically to help teach American history," Viehe said.

As part of the history

delegation, Viehe will teach different approaches in the effective teaching and applying of history with film and literature.

The conference will also hold a Cultural Day on Nov. 16-17, where the delegates will visit the Forbidden City, which was home to the emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasty and the Great Wall of China, one of the structural wonders of the world.

Viehe already senses an impact from his upcoming trip.

"I am honored by this opportunity to share my knowledge and I will be enlightened by the experience," Viehe said.



Viehe

CULTURE

YSU set to celebrate Native American Heritage Month

Ashley Tate
REPORTER

November is Native American Heritage Month and Youngstown State University has set aside a day to celebrate. There will be festivities in the Gallery in Kilcawley Center Tuesday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.: Tuesday's festivities are sponsored by the Red Hawk Society, an intertribal cultural organization, and YSU's Office of Student Diversity Programs.

Darlene Bosela, president of the Red Hawk Society, said this is the second time the Red Hawk Society has performed in the community.

Vice President of the Red Hawk Society, Randee Pipe, said there is a lot of misunderstanding about Native Americans and the society just wants to give more accurate information. Pipe, a Lakota Sioux

Indian by blood, said William Blake, director of the Office of Student Diversity Programs, wants the Native Americans to be recognized and let people know there are still Native Americans in the Valley.

"We [Pipe and her husband] moved out here and realized that our children weren't being recognized for their heritage as they were back home in Montana. There's a lot of misinformation about it, a lot of hokey, and that's kind of an insult," said Pipe.

There is a traditional November celebration of Native American Heritage Month, Blake said, "For the 11 years that I have been here, traditionally there has always been a celebration for Native American Heritage Month and usually it's been done in November. So we're continuing a legacy here at Youngstown State University."

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November 14: 11 am - Noon
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YSU

Hypnotist to put Peaberry's under his spell

Britta Snowberger
JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR

What do exotic dancing, real estate and hypnosis have in common? They are all chosen career paths of today's Peaberry's Café entertainer, Joe DeVito.

DeVito, a stage hypnotist from Boston, will attempt to captivate a Peaberry's audience beginning at 11 a.m. in Kilcawley Center. The Student Activities Office is sponsoring the performance.

A professional hypnotist since 1990, DeVito has not always mesmerized audiences using only the sound of his voice. While attending Boston University for physical therapy, DeVito decided to leave the university to become a male dancer.

"When I was in college, I went to this place called the Crazy Horse Saloon and watched women put dollar bills in men's G-strings, and I thought to myself, 'I can do that,'" DeVito said.

That he did. Although the Boston native was "very successful" in the exotic dancing busi-

ness, he began to dabble in real estate and eventually lost "a lot of money." It was then that DeVito's wife demanded he choose a different career path.

"When I was a male dancer, I saw a hypnotist who was an intermission act at the strip club. I remembered that when I was young, my father brought home a book from the dollar store about hypnosis. I got the book and read it," DeVito said, "Then, I started practicing on my friends."

The performer later attended several classes from a national organization, but he insists that formal training is not necessary to become a successful hypnotist.

"Almost anybody can hypnotize people," he said, "The trick is, once they're hypnotized, what do you do with them? You have to be creative. You have to be original."

DeVito will demonstrate his

interpretation of "original" at today's Peaberry's showcase. Wielding an arsenal of material ranging from G to R-rated, the hypnotist hopes to give students a few laughs without offending

their parents.

"The show will probably be in the middle, as far as content is concerned," he said, "I can't exactly do what I do in a comedy club, because I don't want to make any dads angry. I just ask that students come open-minded and ready to have a good time."

The performance will begin with a five-minute induction process, in which volunteers will be lulled into a "deep state of relaxation" by the sound of DeVito's voice.

Then the hypnotist will employ the power of suggestion to animate his subjects.

"I've seen a hypnosis show before, and I thought it was very interesting," said junior Jared Sziber, "I'm not so sure if it is actually real or not, but I would definitely be willing to participate."

Although also skeptical, junior Mark Darby said might volunteer to be hypnotized.

"If it is the case that this man is genuine, then I would participate," he said, "But I would be angry if he made a fool out of me."

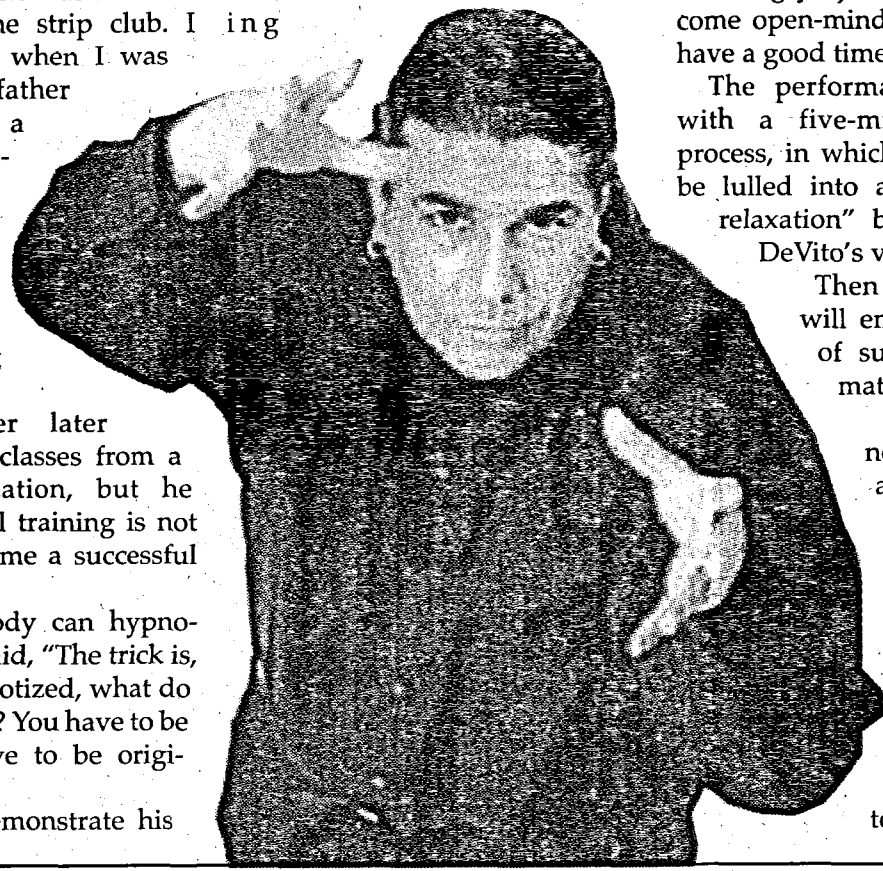
DeVito insists that hypnotized persons are aware and in control.

"I can't make somebody do something they wouldn't normally do, or something that is against their morals," he said, "The volunteers are truly the show; I'm just the leader of the band."

No risks are involved to participate, and volunteers will "wake up for good" from their relaxed states in a matter of seconds. DeVito encourages students to experience hypnosis for themselves.

"Students have an opportunity to not only see the show, but to be the show," he said, "Either way, it's an experience they won't forget."

DeVito will perform at the Funny Farm Comedy Club tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.



YSU

Students sing the end of semester blues

Krystle Hively
JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR

With four weeks of school left at Youngstown State University, students are ready for the semester to be over. They are feeling anxious, yet overwhelmed with looming projects, papers and exams.

Junior Michele Fuleky said, "Actually, right now I am very stressed because everything is due around this time and with the holidays coming up, I can't focus on studying, but it is taking over my life."

The ten students interviewed on campus reached a consensus: they're sick of classes.

"Once midterms hit, I am done with my classes. They all seem to come at once which makes me feel even more burnt out and sick of them," junior Laura Musilli, special education major,

said.

English professor Scott Leonard said, "Students may feel this way because all of the major graded work is geared towards the end of the semester."

Leonard admits to also feeling overwhelmed and stressed. He said oftentimes, he also is feeling what the students are feeling. One reason is because he needs to grade all collected assignments in a reasonable amount of time.

Psychology professor Steve Ellyson said he believes the midterm slump narrows down to procrastination.

"It's mainly the idea of procrastination. It's human nature to put off things for the last minute," Ellyson said.



Freshman Jason Mogg sleeps in Peaberry's after a long day of studying.

He said wouldn't call what students are going through "being burnt out." This could lean toward "senioritis," which could be a universal study because it does happen to enough of them, he added.

Ellyson said that deep down, we know we should be doing these things, even if they are months away, but we choose not to.

Unfortunately, there isn't any way to prevent school-related anxiety, other than avoiding procrastination. Many students feel that toward the end of the semester, it is hard to balance work, a social life and school.

Senior Gina Peretti, political science major, balances

her schedule with time management.

"I spend every week day doing as much homework as I can, so on the weekends I can go out with my friends."

Freshman Ann Ciavarella said, "I'm not overwhelmed at all because as soon as I get homework I do it."

If students think teachers crack down on homework and projects toward the end of the semester, it could be that students' attendance has worsened, Leonard said. Leonard sympathizes, however, that it's hard to manage all of your time and put energy everything you do.

BLISS HALL

YSU Theater Presents "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying"

Faculty members and students in the Theater Department at YSU plan to provide a little laughter to audiences attending the upcoming musical "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" based on the book by Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert with music and lyrics by Frank Loesser.

The story is a tale of window washer J. Pierpont Finch who comes across a book titled "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." Looking for an easy way to climb the ladder to success, Finch uses the book to his advantage and gets a job at World Wide Wickets, where moves up to the top with the help of his book. Richard Bell, a senior Musical Theater major, plays the character of Finch.

Other key characters in the story include Finch's old window-washing buddy, Bud Frump, who tries to sabotage Finch's career.

One of many animated characters in the play is Jasper B. 'J.B.' Biggley, president of World Wide Wickets. Anthony Scarsella, a senior Fine and Performing Arts major takes on the role of Biggley, a somewhat complex character. "He's just a very bossy, grouchy, old man. Sort of a mix between Jackie Gleason's character in 'The Honeymooners' and a drill sergeant. He's smart, but not intelligent and is easily duped by Finch, which is where the comedy comes in. My character likes to think he's a step ahead, but he's usually a step behind," Scarsella said.

On top of being a grouch, Biggley has an affair with Hedy LaRue, played by Kari Kleemook. "Hedy was

a New York floozy who worked in a jazz club, but she wants to be a secretary. She's having an affair to get the job. She's a big, blonde ditz," Kleemook admits with a laugh.

Kleemook, who dyed her hair to play the part, is serious about acting. "It fits the character perfectly. I don't mind doing it. It's only hair," she said. Once the Musical Theater major graduates in the spring, she plans to get her master's degree before moving to the Pittsburgh or Cleveland areas. "I want to eventually get my master's so if I don't end up performing I can always teach," said Kleemook. "The dancing is amazing, the sounds are upbeat and lively. There really isn't a moral message, but it's just an overall good time. A lot of the business world we deal with in the show is in reality. It does represent business in its true form," adds

"The play makes good comedy about the ethically-challenged business world."

Dr. Frank Castranova, Director

REC CENTER

First Rectacular Spectacular at YSU

Laura Neely
REPORTER

Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center will be a "spectacular" place to be on Monday.

The Department of Campus Recreation will be holding its first Rectacular Spectacular Olympics throughout the day at the Rec Center and throughout certain areas on campus.

The event will consist of fraternities, sororities and various groups and

organizations competing in physical as well as intellectual challenges through out the day to win prizes. Greek organizations are participating in this event as a way to kick off Greek Week, which starts Monday.

Senior Amanda Diodati is a part of Alpha Xi Delta and co-chair of Greek Life on campus, as well as a participant in the Olympics.

"Everyone is looking forward to this because it is a new event on campus and it gives

everyone a chance to interact with each other," Diodati said.

"We want people who are involved with the event to get a chance to be socialable on campus as well as enjoy what campus life has to offer," said Joy Polkabra-Byers, assistant director of Programs and special events at the Rec Center.

Awards will be given at the end of the event. Students are encouraged to come and show support for the 15 teams involved in the event.

Rectacular Spectacular Events

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Out of the red-zone Ohio goes blue

Good news: Ohio has changed colors and gone blue.

We aren't the only state who supported President George Bush in the 2004 election that has switched which party it supports. Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa and Missouri also voted for Bush in 2004 and now show an increase in support for the Democratic Party. All four states elected Democratic governors Tuesday: Ohio and Missouri both elected Democratic senators, and Iowa, Colorado and Ohio went blue in previously red districts.

Ohio's state elections were important to national politics this season. Ohioans elected a senator, many representatives and a governor - positions that are always important in the realm of national politics.

The Tuesday elections created a buzz, both before and after, in the Youngstown State University political science courses. Before the elections came predictions, estimations and guesses. Now the topic of conversation has been theories about the important players of the U.S. politics scene and upcoming activity.

The apparent nationwide trend for blue-tinted voting has created a virtual tie in the Senate and a Democratic House under a Republican president. So, with the new Democratic senator and representative-elects comes a policy gridlock.

In the Senate, the key swing-voter is Sen. Joe Lieberman (I-Conn.) who ran for a fourth term as an Independent after he lost the Connecticut Democratic primary election earlier this year. Lieberman won on a platform of bipartisanship. Because of his unique position, both Republicans and Democrats will court him for his important, possibly tie-breaking, vote. Lieberman will certainly be able to bring home the goodies to his constituents.

Swing-voters, key states and key races make it easier for locals to get what they want and need for their communities. It is probable that both Democrats and Republicans will pay close attention to Ohio as the 2008 presidential election approaches. Both parties will be interested in securing the 20 electoral votes from Ohio. This dual party interest in Ohio will create an opening for elected officials and citizens to vie for what communities want and need from the national government.

The increase of Democrats in the House presents a particular problem on many levels. Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.), poised to take over as Speaker of the House, faces a difficult task of leadership: uniting a diverse group of Democrats. The Democrats elected in place of Republicans are moderate to conservative, as opposed to liberal, in most instances. The moderate to conservative Democrats may be more willing to work compromises with the Republican minority and President Bush, which is the only way anything will get done in the House.

It will be an interesting two years before November 2008. Watch it, it'll be fun.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The first black president (and a promise of heaven on earth)

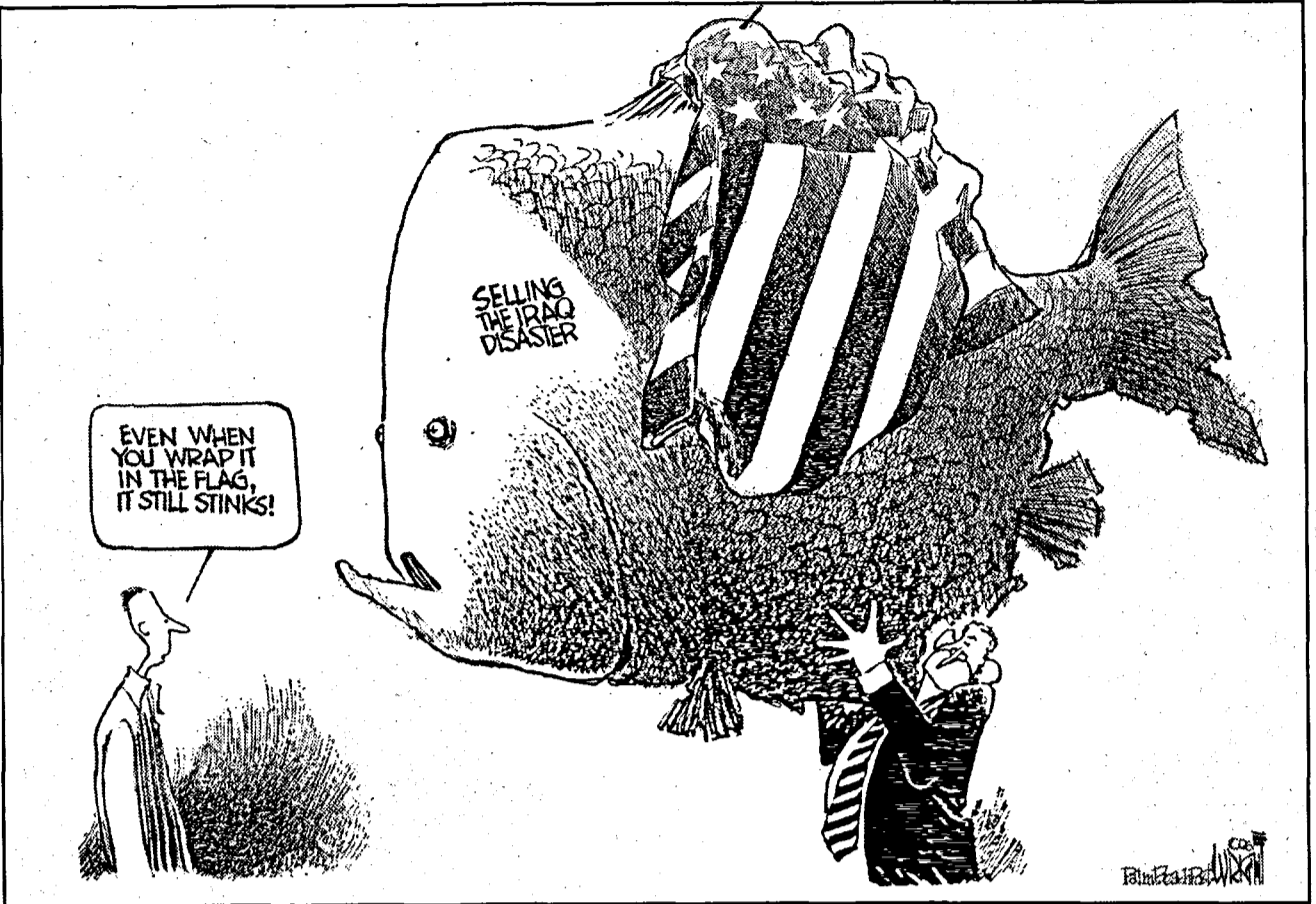
With the mid-term elections behind us, America once again is democratic, and I enter the 2008 presidential race as a write-in candidate.

Although, still democrat, I'm introducing a fourth party concept: I'll be running as candidate of the "F-U Party" on the following platform:

I'll round up all Republicans, herd them to Texas, and build seven mile-high electric fences around the state; ship NRA supporters to Wyoming to quail hunt with Cheney (only he'll have a loaded gun) and have the same electric fences erected.

Blacks who continue to disgrace King and the efforts of the 60s with insane killings will be shipped to Antarctica and provided an ample supply of bullets, but no guns; and Arabs will be housed in Alaska (same fence-rule applied) and will be given their own airlines to fly anywhere outside the US, but never over it.

Hispanic, black and white Christian nuts, too,



will be fenced deep within Death Valley until they accept Science over fiction (biblical).

Native American-Indians, who still legally own the country, will be given California, Oregon and Washington to be renamed: "No More Popcorn & Turkey, Bitch!"

They'll also be given tons of missiles and whiskey, should Cheney and his minions make a great escape and attack their sovereign nation, again.

Finally, child molesters, serial killers and

arsonists will be put adrift in the vastest part of the Pacific Ocean, each supported by 1,000 Styrofoam cups held together with cheap thread.

Bush, Rumsfeld and the generals of Iraq will be thrown in that Arizona crater created 49,000 years ago by a meteorite; around the top, all the military persons accused of crimes in Iraq will be pardoned, but only if they "stay the course" using their baseball bats on attempted escapees from the crater.

I'll serve my presidency from Japan because it is truly the only greatest country in the world. Twenty years there, not once did I hear of a child being raped and killed.

Secondly, the greatest country should have the highest literacy rate; Japan has had it for the last 100 years, while America has never even placed third.

Moreover, Japanese kids from kindergarten through twelfth grade never curse teachers, bring guns to school, or disrespect elders.

Alas, to raise America's IQ, along with the abolishment of the Second Amendment, NASCAR, hockey, American Idol, daytime soaps and all reality shows are banned from TV.

Hispanics and blacks under 35 aren't allowed in any theaters across America; and all white females who even utter sexual harassment must traverse the Serengeti in high heels.

Ted Williams

Was Issue 5 about health?

Issue 5 was passed on Tuesday, effectively criminalizing tobacco smoking in most public places.

Was Issue 5 about health? Yes. Was Issue 5 also about the ability of political elites to mold public behavior and public opinion as they wish? You betcha.

Informed speculation has it that Issue 5 was promoted as

part of what was to have been a massive concerted effort by Ohio's medical and insurance lobbies to kill the proposed Health Care for All Ohioans Act, a founding universal health care initiative that never made it to the ballot. Television commercials to plumb voters' opinions had already been run by insurer United Healthcare and the American Medical Association late last year and early this year. Issue 5 was to have been used in a game of

"good health care initiative-bad health care initiative" to deflect the voters' attention from the enormous defects of the current health care system, which would have been spotlighted had there been actual debate on universal health.

Candidates Blackwell and Strickland were mum on health care throughout the campaign, so the speculation goes, because OSMA and OAHP, Ohio's medical and insurance lobbies, had promised the even-

tual winner trivial but showy health care legislation drafted by themselves that would present the new governor as "doing something" on health care when the next General Assembly convenes.

Democracy in action. The smoking lamp is lit for one cigarette. Light 'em if you got 'em.

Mazel tov!

Jack Labusch
Support Services

COMMENTARY

Return of the Rise of the Last Crusade King with a Vengeance



Bob Mackey

In the past two weeks, we've seen the release of the final chapters (hopefully) of two different movie trilogies: "Saw" and "The Santa Clause." No one asked for them, but these titles have appeared in movie theaters and people actually seem to be watching - or maybe they're just buying theater tickets for the privilege of ordering a 20 gallon tub ("small") of popcorn. Take that impoverished, starving countries; the amount of money the average American spends on food in a single movie theater visit is greater than your combined GDPs!

But our tendency to over consume may be the source of these unwanted movies. It's not enough to have a small sampling of Matrix; we want an entire Matrix banquet that will eventual spoil to sub-hobo levels before the release of the second film. And movie studios are more than willing to oblige. After all, a mediocre idea that's made a few bucks is much better than a brilliant, untested idea. This is the reason "Van Wilder 2" will be coming out next month, or possibly it's because there's so much more

to the character that needs to be explored.

In the spirit of this madness, I now offer the following predictions of future Hollywood sequels. Please bury this article in your nearest time capsule, and in 50 years you will see that I was right about at least one thing during my entire Jambar legacy.

Pluto Nash 2: Nash Harder

Never heard of the original "Pluto Nash?" This Eddie Murphy space comedy lost astronomical amounts of money (nearly 100 million dollars) and remains one of the biggest failures in box office history. So why would another "Nash" film ever be made? Thanks to a special "guilt clause" - much like in the Versailles treaty - in Eddie Murphy's "Pluto Nash" contract, Eddie Murphy will be found completely responsible for the bombing of the 2002 "comedy." The funnyman famous for playing multiple movie roles will face a new challenge in the "Nash" sequel: playing every single character in the cast. And in a further attempt to save money, he'll also have to perform the tasks of every crew member. You may not like Eddie Murphy, but I can guarantee that he's hilarious when suffering from dehydration and exhaustion-based delirium. I sure hope the DVD release contains the outtakes where he prays for death!

The Lord of the Rings IV: Tolkien time - Peter Jackson was able to take the meticulous and detail-heavy work of J.R.R. Tolkien and compact it into three movies that are each merely six hours long. And even though the LotR trilogy is responsible for a recent epidemic of movie theater bladder explosions, Jackson did cut out some of the literary fat. Trust me, if Tom Bombadil appeared in "Fellowship" and sang fruity forest songs for thirty minutes, "The Twin Towers" would not have been released and Peter Jackson would still be exiled to the horrible land of New Zealand. "Rings IV" seeks to change this by being centered entirely on the boring details Jackson cut from Tolkien's original works. Based entirely on "The Simarillion" (AKA "British Valium"), this movie caters to nerds desperate for interminable details about their favorite fake continent's fake history. And with a running time of nine hours, it's a good thing none of them will be bringing dates.

Schindler's List 2000

With the war over, the man once famous for his fabulous lists now finds himself out of work and his humanitarian efforts forgotten. Can he make another list to capture the hearts and Oscars of the world? Follow Oskar Schindler as he creates compelling, grocery lists, laundry lists, and eventu-

ally comedy lists, as he embraces his dark side and becomes the closest thing to a Nazi: a comedy writer. Only time will tell if the moviegoing public will find the Foxworthy-esque tie-in book "You Might Be a Nazi War Profiteer If" to be in poor taste.

Bonus preview: "If you find yourself making enamelware for the Nazis... then you just might be a Nazi war profiteer."

Back to the Future IV: Liberal Media Deathtrap

Michael J. Fox returns as Marty McFly in his first major film role since developing Parkinson's disease. Doc Brown beckons once again when he learns that the evil Democrats will be rigging the Presidential election in the far-off year of 2008. Can McFly inform voters that stem cell research is nothing more than snake oil and false hope, or will evil liberal candidate Biff Tannen win the Presidency and enforce his "mandatory abortions" policy on America? You won't be able to sit still in your seat, much like Michael J. Fox when he's playing up his debilitating disease for voter sympathy! "Back to the Future IV" is Rush Limbaugh's first screenplay.

Bob Mackey reminds you to please discard your baby before you enter any movie theater. You can visit his blog at <http://www.bob-servo.com>.

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Borat not execute: Niice!

Mock documentary grosses \$26 million in box office, offensive Borat gains viewers' affection

Brian Cetina & Cristina Cala

"Jagshemash! My name Borat. I like you. I like sex. Is nice!"

This shocking greeting isn't standard in America, but in Borat's movie, nothing he does is sedate. In the opening weekend of "Borat: Cultural Learnings of America For Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan," the off-color gamble paid off. The film's U.S. debut weekend grossed \$26 million — surprisingly high for a low taste film.

Not for the faint of heart, this comedy brings to the big screen Borat Sagdiyev, an outrageous, gray-suited, bushy-mustached journalist from the country of Kazakhstan. Created and played by British comedian Sacha Baron Cohen for his HBO television series "Da Ali G Show,"

Borat's character cheerfully and quite inadvertently portrays his country as a backward, anti-Semitic tribal society that parodies our own ignorance and prejudices.

Director Larry Charles structures the picture as a mock documentary that chronicles Borat's encounters with typical Americans from New York to California and back home to Kazakhstan.

In the film, Borat sets out on a road trip through the heartland of America to explore its culture and produce a documentary of his findings, meanwhile developing a fetish for Pamela Anderson

Along the way, he presents a variety of offensive encounters with feminists, Jews, blacks, gays, rednecks, frat boys and Pentecostal Christians speaking in tongues.

Even to some of the most uptight advocates of human rights, women's rights, and even animal rights, the unethical, uncouth humor, blatant racism and sexism that ooze from bigoted Borat paradoxically become lovable. Watching him alienate complete strangers with open arms and kisses for each cheek, his ever-faithful thumbs-up, zealous kindergarten-picture-day smile and running man dance moves gain viewers' affection.

Behind Borat's disturbing lesson in restroom etiquette (a literal load of crap ... in a bag), his naive friendship with a call girl (they aren't pretty in real life; kudos to screenwriter Cohen for realism), and ingrained xenophobia toward Jew "claws" and "horns," viewers will make a place in their hearts for Borat's crude acculturation. It sounds unlikely, but it's almost guaranteed. Audiences will succumb to Borat's appeal, at least in portions.

If you can't laugh at his racism, you will at least submit to his skill in making literally any situation awkward. With lanky limbs like steamed asparagus, Cohen's physical comedy is deliciously awkward and hilariously suited for embarrassing the public. Even a Civil War antique shop owner let Borat go for less than \$200 (but not the pawned bales of pubic hair Borat offered) after shattering \$500-worth of merchandise. And when Borat finds himself abandoned, broke, sans passport and wearing footed pajamas in the back of a fecal-smearing ice cream truck (complements of a captive bear), even a seven-year-old (shame



At Borat's first driving lesson, he pulls out a bottle of liquor and offers some to his instructor. When told to keep both hands on the wheel, Borat fears it will look like a Gypsy is eating his "teste-satchel."

on the parent who brought this kid to a movie with ghastly full-frontal male nudity) can understand the Kazakh's genuine quest to assimilate into the "U. S. and A."

As a Kazakhstani character, Cohen invades every cultural boundary he can, and by parodying Americans, who are the real butt of the joke, the film is a worthy social commentary on ugly ethnocentrism. Conservatives laugh with Borat as he takes advice from a Virginian who lists the banishment of gays as a national priority, liberals laugh at Borat's pep-talk to a cheering rodeo audience, "May George Bush drink the blood of every single man, woman and child of Iraq!" but feminists, who are advised to stay home in lieu of enduring this flick, will try not to laugh at all.

Stomping all over American norms and culture, Borat is a cultural grenade stuck on customs and attitudes, genuinely without realizing that he's insulting everyone in sight.

As the film is really just a collection of can-you-top-this, increasingly outrageous stunts that point out American stupidity and ethnocentrism, it would be unfair to

reveal what happens when Borat goes to the rodeo, or finds Jesus at a Pentecostal church. You'll also marvel at the seamless editing that blends staged footage with improvisation and hilarious, honest human reactions.

But what's perhaps most astonishing is Cohen's total concentration and dedication to his character. Whether getting drunk with America's idiot fraternity guys in an RV, watching Baywatch all night or taking part in a nude wrestling match, (a scene that's unofficially a top contender for Best Vulgarity in a film), Cohen has an absolute commitment to the moment and character. As an actor and writer, Cohen's scripted improv is impressive.

"Borat" is a fall-on-your-face, pee-your-pants riot of wild racism, leering sexism and all-around grotesque intolerance. The movie has a little something to offend everybody. Believe it or not, it's an equal opportunity offender that doesn't insult your intelligence or humor.

Borat is begging you: "Please see my movie. If it is not success, I will be execute." "Chenquieh!"



Racism		Vulgarity	
Sexism		Comedy	
Nudity		• All ratings are based on a scale of 1 to 5.	

photos courtesy of boratthemovie.com

Upcoming events

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>Buffalo Wild Wings, 50 Federal Plaza Youngstown celebrity boxer Kelly Pavlik will bartend from 5 to 7 p.m. All tips Pavlik makes will be donated to needy local families for Thanksgiving expenses. (330) 744-2999</p> <p>Youngstown State University, Bliss Hall, 1 University Plaza "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" tickets are \$5 and free for students. Show starts at 8 p.m. Call the Box Office at (330) 941-3105.</p> <p>Youngstown State University, Bliss Hall, 1 University Plaza Youngstown Robert Fitzer Clarinet Studio Recital 8 p.m.</p> <p>Outback Steakhouse, 7000 Tiffany Blvd. Youngstown Aussie Luncheon with Hot 101 will benefit Hospice of the Valley. Call Hospice to reserve a time for 11 a.m., noon, or 1 p.m. Hospice (330) 788-1992, Outback Steakhouse (330) 629-2775</p>	<p>The Ice Zone, 360 McClurg Road, Boardman Phantoms vs. Marquette Rangers, 7 p.m. Tickets: \$8 bleachers (330) 965-1423</p> <p>Dusty Armadillo, 3147 State Route 44 Rootstown Bands at 9 p.m. (330) 325-0047</p> <p>Quaker Steak and Lube, 101 Chestnut Street, Sharon Simply Ed Karaoke. 9:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. (724) 981-3123</p>	<p>The Cellar, 162 S. Bridge Street, Struthers Third Aim Productions presents bands H... and Crimson Dawn. Doors open at 8 p.m. and the show starts at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 the day of the show. (330) 750-0199</p> <p>The Butler Institute of Art, 524 Wick Avenue, Youngstown Abbey Road: Beatles Tribute Band (Beecher Court) The event is sponsored by Y-103 FM, United Community Financial Corp./Butler, Wick & Co., AM Party Rentals, Taylor-Winfield Foundation, Tauro Brothers Trucking, WFMJ-TV 21, the Vindicator, DiRusso's Sausage, Belleria Pizza (W... Cafe at the Butler and Allegiant Air. Call (330) 49-107 ext. 122 or download an invitation from www.y-103.com.</p>	<p>Chevrolet Centre, 229 East Front Street, Youngstown Kidskate 2-4 p.m. Coaching Staff will be on hand for free mini group lessons for beginners, music and games. Admission is \$5 per person and rental skates are \$2 per pair. (330) 746-5600</p> <p>The Ice Zone, 360 McClurg Road, Boardman Phantoms vs. Marquette Rangers, 1 p.m. Tickets: \$8 bleachers \$9 club (330) 965-1423</p> <p>The Ice Zone, 360 McClurg Road, Boardman Open House 2-4 p.m. Certified instructors will be giving free skating lessons every half hour. (330) 965-1423</p> <p>Youngstown State University, Bliss Hall, 1 University Plaza "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" tickets are \$5 and free for students. Show starts at 3 p.m. Call the Box Office at (330) 941-3105. Youngstown State University, Bliss Hall Room 2222, 1 University Plaza Youngstown Dana Concerto Competition, 1- 5 p.m. For more information contact the Dana School of Music at (330) 941-3636.</p>

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adviser in the College of Fine and Performing Arts said that the most common problem she sees amongst students is a lack of preparation.

"Students don't come prepared. They either don't have bulletins or they don't read them," said Weingart.

Weingart recommends that students keep an updated curriculum sheet to refer to throughout their academic career. She said, "It's a visual tool to help you double-check your courses."

Weingart also advises that students log on to Student Information Display and access their records.

Bringing all of these materials and an idea of what courses the student is interested in taking will help quicken the scheduling and advising process.

Denise Walters Dobson, academic administrator in the College of Arts and Sciences, said that even after students reach sophomore level it is still important to meet with an advisor.

Dobson said, "We want to establish a relationship with the students where they can feel comfortable coming to us for help." Walters Dobson also sees the same problems in students as Weingart.

Both advisors found that

students are not doing their end of the work.

Dobson said, "They haven't done the homework on what classes they want to take and what classes they need to take. Students need to be informed."

While changes are being made in the College of Arts and Sciences to simplify the curriculum sheets, both agree that coming in to meet with an advisor is a worth while idea.

Walters Dobson recommends that students come see an advisor early.

Most advisement offices offer walk-in appointments, but Dobson suggests calling ahead to check.

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participated in Disney's College Program reached a positive consensus on their experiences. Their internship duties consisted of dressing in character costumes and concessions, and they did not know what their duties would be until the day they were assigned, according to the article.

"I was trained in merchandising food and beverage and custodial," Ashley Neumeister said of her internship at Disney.

At the National College Media Convention in St. Louis Oct. 26, students had the chance to ask experts in the media field career-related questions. One student asked Benjy Hamm, who recruits and hires for Landmark Communications, how employers regarded the Disney College Program.

"It's what you did at an internship, not so much the name - thought it is good to catch someone's eye," Hamm said.

Political science professor William Binning is the coordinator of his department's Urban Intern Seminar, which offers varied internships like political campaigns governmental agencies and planning agencies.

"Those are all worthy experiences for which we award some amount of credit," he said, explaining that merchandising and custodial work at the Disney College Program is not something the Urban Intern Seminar would give a student credit for.

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The peer assistants are aware of all the resources available on campus in order to guide students in the right direction, Egleton said.

"We don't chuck them over the fence, we lift them over one leg at a time," Hindman said.

Saif Abdelrazeq, a freshman engineering student, said he has met with his peer assistant and found the experience helpful.

"If I need help I know I can go to them," Abdelrazeq said.

Many freshmen choose to never meet with their peer assistants, even though they are aware of the help offered. Some say they do not need the assistance.

"I go with the flow and take care of my own classes," said Lacey Collins, freshman English major.

Other students said they need to meet

Like Reid, Binning said students in his department don't necessarily need an internship that directly relates to their major.

"Let's say they were part of the lobbying / public relations for Disney, [or] government relations. That would work out for us; we would look at that," he said.

Within the Disney College Program, it is possible to move up from custodial and merchandising work to advanced internships for "pretty much any major," according to junior Rob Bole.

Bole completed an initial level of Disney's College Program and plans to return to Disney for an advanced internship in sports marketing. He said he learned transferable skills even though he worked in merchandise.

"You make it relate to your major. I did merchandise because they didn't have marketing," he said.

As a YSU Campus Representative for the Disney College Program, Bole said he has a good chance of advancing to the sports marketing internship, which is more related to his major - marketing management.

"Marketing today has so much to do with customer relationships, and Disney is probably number one with that," Bole said of his internship experience.

Bole received three credit hours for the Disney internship as a lower level business elective.

with their peer assistants but never found the time.

"I need to go, but never got around to it and it's the end now. I wish I would have gone," said Andrew Monk, freshman criminal justice major.

Peer assistant Wilson Okello said that pride and fear are usually what keep students from reaching out for help.

"We develop relationships with them and gain their trust. They know they can count on us," Hindman said.

Freshman business marketing major Ralph Rich said he met with his peer assistant twice so far this semester.

"It makes me get down to business," Rich said.

Hindman said peer assistants' biggest advice for new students is to go to class.

ELECTION 2006

Democrats steal spotlight

Jason Kelly

JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR

Ted Strickland, a Democrat from Lisbon, received 60 percent of Tuesday's votes for Ohio governor, defeating Republican candidate Ken Blackwell. Strickland campaigned on a seven goal platform: Provide high quality education to all children, create schools that work, expand access to higher education, build regional economies within the state, ensure all Ohioans have the skills to succeed in the workplace, increase the number of Ohioans who have access to healthcare and grow and maintain the state's workforce.

Governor-elect Strickland will become the first Democratic governor since 1991.

Another local politician will take over an important Ohio office. Wednesday's unofficial results gave Democratic State Senator Marc Dann a four-point lead over Ohio State Auditor Betty Montgomery.

Another Democrat, Congressman Sherrod Brown, will become Ohio's new senator. Brown unseated Republican incumbent Senator Mike DeWine. DeWine is on record as a supporter of the war in Iraq. Senator-elect Brown made a bold prediction for 2008 Tuesday evening, "because of progressive principles and mainstream progressive values - as Ohio goes in 2006, so goes the nation in 2008."

A little bit further east, Democratic Pennsylvania



Strickland Governor



Fisher Lt. Governor



Dann Attorney General



Brown Senator

Governor Ed Rendell will spend more time in Harrisburg. Republican challenger, and former Pittsburgh Steeler Lynn Swann failed to score enough votes to defeat the former Philadelphia mayor. Also in Pennsylvania, Democrat Bob Casey defeated Republican incumbent Senator Rick Santorum.

Nationally, Democrats took control of the House of Representatives. According to Wednesday's results the Senate was still had two seats up for grabs, Montana and Virginia with the Democrats holding 50 seats, Republicans held 49.


Ohio voters also decided five statewide issues. Issue One was invalidated from the ballot: A court ruled that circulators did not garnish enough signatures to get Issue One on the ballot. Votes on Issue One were not counted.

Ohioans who rely on the state's minimum wage will receive a pay raise January. The state's minimum wage will increase from \$5.15 to \$6.85.

Voters said no to Issue 3, the proposal to legalize slot machines gaming at various locations in Ohio.

However, voters did approve Issue Five, while rejecting Issue Four. Issue Five includes stricter smoking regulations than Issue Four. Issue Five prohibits smoking in most public places and places of employment - including restaurants and bars. Smokers who violate the new law will face civil fines. The ban will take effect in January.

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WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY

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Buzulencia, said the new Walnut Street walkway will be a "gateway to Youngstown."

Students who live at on YSU's campus will be able to use the walkway to get to places faster, instead of having to walk all the way around the city.

"A lot of students don't have cars; this is a university [where] most students walk," Buzulencia said. "The dorms are a straight shot continuing all the way down to the Chevy Centre."

"This is one of the last areas of blight transformation in the downtown area," YSU Development Officer Joe Cassese said.


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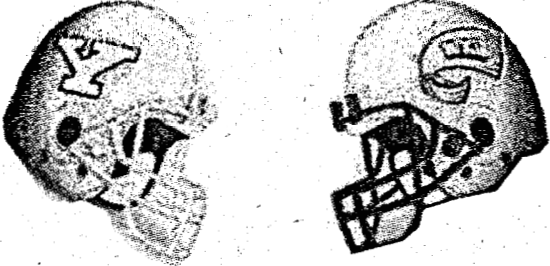


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FOOTBALL

Key match-ups 2 watch



Chenault #6



Goffer #2

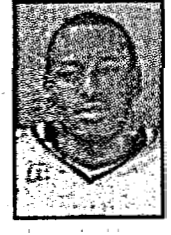
VS.



Hamilton #15



Perry #2



Jackson #3

With the 54th-rated pass defense in the country, the Youngstown State University secondary has been easy prey for opposing offenses. Waiting to pounce on the group this week is Western Kentucky University wide receiver Curtis Hamilton. The junior, who stands 6 feet and weighs in at 195 pounds, has the size and speed to stalk and destroy the YSU coverage unit. It will be up to cornerbacks Codera Jackson and Jason Perry to keep Hamilton in check on deep routes, while safeties Chris Goffer and Dorian Chenault will be responsible for covering short passes in the middle of the field. The Penguin secondary has played solidly the majority of the season, but has a habit of giving up big plays. If Hamilton can be limited to short gains through the air, the coverage unit should be able to take WKU's aerial attack out of the game.

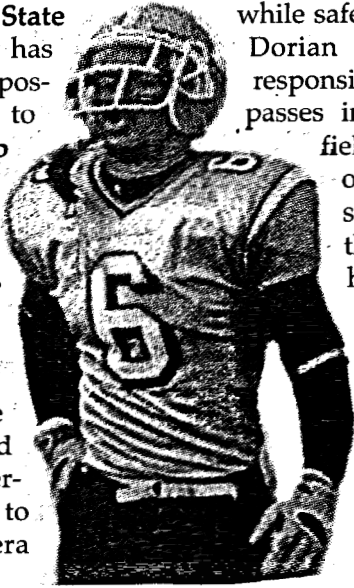


Photo by Jake Glavies



Koval #51



Cotton #39

VS.



Terry #56



Hutchinson #38

The three-headed monster fielded at running back by Western Kentucky will be a major concern for the Penguin linebacker core. The trio from Bowling Green, Ky. have combined for 1,433 yards and 15 touchdowns this year. To keep the game comfortable for Youngstown, senior James Terry and company must focus on shutting down statistical leader Lerron Moore. The running back leads the Hilltoppers with 793 yards and nine touchdowns. In what will be their final game in the Gateway Conference and Div. I-AA ranks, WKU may look to pull out all the stops against the Penguins and let their tailbacks run wild. Watch for Marty Hutchinson to add to his team high 72 tackles while playing sideline-to-sideline against this potent ground attack.



Moore #25

Photo by Ron Stevens

Penguin vs Hilltopper All-Time

YSU is 2-4 in their last six meetings against Western Kentucky:

11/05 - W, 42-10	9/02 - L, 7-13
10/04 - L, 19-44	10/01 - L, 14-24
11/15 - L, 13-37	10-90 - W, 17-14

*The Penguins are 5-10 overall against WKU.

YSU SPORTS IN BRIEF



Volleyball impressive in Wright State win

Youngstown State University took a two-game lead and held on in game five by scoring five of the final six points to knock-off Wright at the Beeghly Center.

The Penguins, 10-20 on the season, — with a Horizon League record of 1-12 — got 18 kills from freshman middle hitter Ruth Boscaljon and 16 apiece from sophomore Ebony Barbosa and freshman Kaitlin O'Hara. Defensive specialist Amanda Cindric added 30 digs in the final home match of her career.

The Penguins trailed by as many as six in game one before rallying to win 30-27, and they opened up an eight-point advantage in game two in a 30-23 win.

Wright State took games three and four (30-20, 30-26) and led 8-6 in game five, but YSU rallied to win 15-11. Five different Penguins registered kills, including two by O'Hara, to set up a block by Allison Heinz and O'Hara at match point.

YSU will travel to take on 17-8 Cleveland State Friday for its last regular season match before the Horizon League Tournament Nov. 16.

Hockey team upsets No. 20 Golden Flashes

Goalie Matt Jacob made 49 saves and stopped all four attempts in an overtime shootout that lead the Youngstown State University Men's Hockey Club to a 3-2 win over 20th ranked Kent State University.

Offensively the Penguins were able to win the shootout 2-0 thanks to goals by Matt Fedra and Mike Poljak.

The Penguins are currently in third place in the Collegiate Hockey Mid-America Conference behind Indiana University of Pennsylvania and Washington and Jefferson College.

YSU will take on the 2-2 Syracuse University Orange Friday and the 1-5 University of Rochester Yellowjackets.

Poljak and Fedra currently lead the team with seven goals a piece. Poljak also leads the team in points with 18 followed closely by Fedra with 13.

Youngstown State vs Western Kentucky



3 keys 2 the game

With a number of underclassmen taking the field for the Hilltoppers, YSU must try to shake the youngsters out of their game by the first half. Early in the game, WKU's leading receivers, if the defense can show the newcomers what college football is all about, they may think twice before catching a pass Saturday's contest. On the offensive side of the ball, YSU must look to capitalize on the inexperience of starting outside linebacker Blake Boyd. The freshman is the team's third leading tackler and will be vital to their run stopping ability.

The YSU passing attack will have to take advantage of Western Kentucky's butterfingers secondary. However, if only three passers are available, the offense will still have to earn its way through the air as WKU has allowed the fewest passing yards per game in the Gateway Conference. Although throwing the ball is safer this week than in recent matchups, watch for Zetts to continue his contributions to the run game, as he's racked up 22 yards in the last three games.

Averaging a Gateway worst 6.9 yards per punt return, Western Kentucky's special teams unit may be the only crack in an otherwise solid foundation. Penguin punter Joe Bishop — the Gateway Conference Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance against Southern Illinois — will look to exploit this deficiency with every chance he gets. The YSU season must carry over his form from last week's victory when he pinned the Sabers in the end zone twice. If he can keep that momentum up, he should have no problem outperforming the opposing offense.

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Penguins take to winning like a fish to water

Swimming and diving coaches attribute fast start to hard work

Dan Pompili
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With an expanded roster boasting more experience and six talented freshmen, the Youngstown State University swimming and diving coaches are expecting a strong year for the squad.

"We're training harder than we ever have," said head coach Matt Anderson.

This training is clearly paying dividends.

While facing-off against Marshall University earlier this season, freshman Megan Rupe, swept the freestyle event while sophomore Kelly Reese was named Horizon League Diver of the Week for her performance.

The squad's performance in the Oct. 28 match-up is evidence of their vast improvement over last year.

After falling to the Thundering Herd 86.5-128.5 last year, the team, despite dropping their second straight meet to the mean green, improved their score

by 75.5 points this season.

Still shaking-off the loss, the Penguins made a splash as they were victorious against the Butler University Bulldogs Nov. 3.

Against their Horizon League foe, YSU saw six squad members took first place in a 138-112 victory.

In only their eighth week of training, Anderson and diving coach Nick Gavolas agree that the team's success isn't from what they're



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The team will head into Saturday's Horizon road competition against Cleveland State and Wright State sporting a 1-1 record.

Following this meet, the Penguins will participate in the swimming only Radford Invitational Nov. 17 in Radford, Va.

Not to be outdone, the diving team will show off their stuff at Notre Dame University Dec. 1 at a diving-only meet.

To gear-up for the second half of the season the team will fly south for a training camp in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

After returning from their training session, six of the squad's eight

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