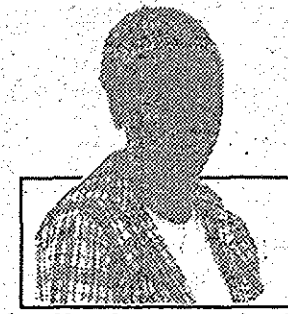




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## Demonstrators call for peace at rally

■A group of people gathered Friday to call for peace in the Middle East.

By JACKIE SPENCE  
Jambar Assistant Editor  
By ANGELA GINOGLIO  
Jambar Editor

The Middle East seems a long way away from Youngstown in terms of both distance, culture and issues.

However, for several YSU students and Valley residents, the conflict taking place in Israel and Palestine are very much a part of everyday life.

In response to hostile and fatal altercations over possession of a 35-acre complex in Jerusalem, a demonstration was held Friday in front of the Youngstown Courthouse to show support for Palestinian victims.

Called Peace in the Middle East, the demonstration focused on the conflict between the Palestinians and the Israelis in the Middle East and the fight for all Christians, Muslims and Arabs alike.

Husam Rafeedie, an organizer for Peace in the Middle East, said there was a big turnout for the demonstration.

"There were about 250 to 300 people there. Nationalities like Palestinians, Indians, Pakistanis

and Americans were all there to support peace in the Middle East," he said.

Rafeedie also said the demonstrators went to the office of Congressman Jim Traficant (D-17) to talk to him, but he wasn't there.

Rafeedie said he hopes this demonstration will help fix the core problem in the Middle East, which is the military occupation in Palestine.

"I hope the military occupation by the Israelis can be removed from Palestine because that is the problem in the Middle East. With all of this controversy, I hope peace negotiations come from this," he said.

The demonstration was a show of support for the Palestinians who are constantly being portrayed as the aggressors, organizers said.

The Oct. 16 issue of Time magazine helped sway sympathy for Palestinians with its publication of a series of photos chronicling the death of a 12-year-old Palestinian named Mohammed al-Durra.

Al-Durra is pictured cowering with his father behind a barrel in a series of photos leading up to the young boy being shot.

## Student overcomes gambling addiction and gives credit to God

By KATIE BALESTRA  
Jambar Assistant Editor

Rob Walgate, junior, secondary education, has a tattoo of praying hands on his left bicep with a scripture from the Bible, Mark 10:27, written underneath.

"Jesus looked at them intently and said, humanly speaking it is impossible, but not with God. Everything is possible with God." These are not just any words printed on Walgate's skin. These are the words that saved his life.

Last March, Walgate was admitted to the Compulsive Gambling Center in Baltimore, Md.

Four days before he was admitted, he had lost \$23,000 in five days while betting on professional basketball games.

Walgate claimed the total amount of money he lost over a period of five years was about \$50,000.

"Gambling consumed my life. I lied to everyone and even stole from my parents, so I could keep gambling," he said. "I had to with-

draw from [Grove City College] because my grades were so low from gambling all of the time."

One would have thought Walgate had the perfect life when he went off to college in 1995. He had a scholarship to play basketball at Grove City, a girlfriend and a loving family at home in East Liverpool.

But after betting small-time in high school playing poker and blackjack with friends and gambling with fake money on "Casino Night" at his high school, Mountaineer RaceTrack beckoned him further.

"I thrived on the excitement. I never did it for the money," Walgate said. "I would go up to [Mountaineer] with my friends, and I would be the center of everything. I would buy everyone drinks and blow all of my money."

"Once I won \$12,000 in two days, but I was mad because I didn't win \$24,000. I even scheduled my college classes around gambling."

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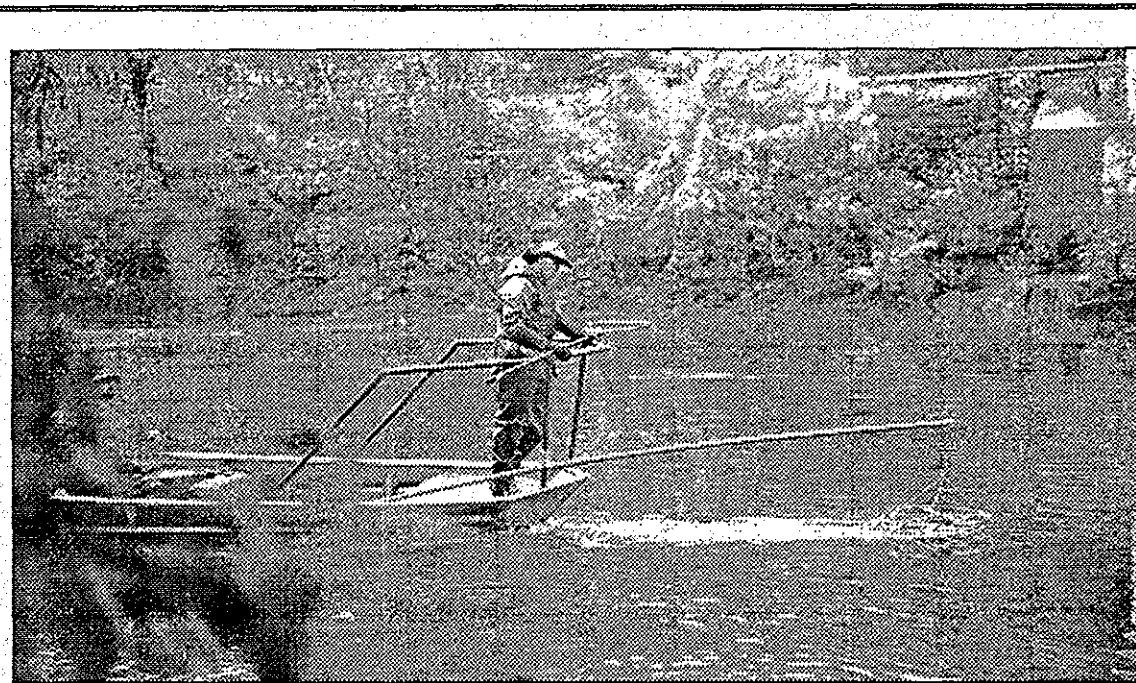


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## There's something fishy in the Mahoning River

By VALERIE BANNER, Jambar Editor

It's barely two miles from campus, but it's like being in another world. To get there, take Phelps Street and follow it around until it almost doesn't look like a street anymore. It will abruptly end, under the Market Street Bridge, where cars pass overhead not knowing of the activity below.

Cross the railroad tracks, carefully, because trains still rumble by. Hidden behind the trees and down a steep slope, where dry dust billows around every footstep, is the Mahoning River.

In this nearly secluded spot in Youngstown, Dr. Nick Mandrak, assistant professor, biology, and his students are fishing.

They aren't fishing for recreation — few people do in this part of the river. Nor are they fishing for food — although they have seen a few homeless people who do.

They are checking the health of the fish and the environment.

On the shore are Liz Testa and Sheri Klingensmith, both seniors majoring in biology. Testa and Klingensmith are sitting on upside-down buckets, surrounded by notebooks, little manila envelopes and a large board used to measure fish.

They are in charge of recording the size of each fish caught, taking a scale and clipping part of the spine from the pectoral fin of each. Removing the scale and spine clippings isn't painful, since the fish don't have nerve endings at those spots, according to Mandrak. The manila envelopes are used to store

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## Escorts offer help to YSU students and staff

By SUSAN KELLY  
Jambar Reporter

For students or teachers who like the security of having someone walk them to their cars after class or for students with disabilities, the YSU Escort Service is an important part of every day.

According to the office of Equal Opportunity and Disability Services, students with disabilities include the categories of hearing, visual, mobility, psychiatric, learning and miscellaneous areas such as those with epilepsy, chemical imbalances or allergies.

Josh Winebold, senior, art, has worked for the escort service for five years and is the unit's supervisor.

"Most of our service is to the physically handicapped in the form of help in and out of class-

rooms and in and out of vehicles," he said.

"People call ahead and are put on a regular schedule. That way, they don't have to be concerned with transport issues," he said.

Third year Employee with Escort Services, Sonny Holcomb, senior, environmental studies, said, "We try to be helpful and offer assistance anyway we can. I like the flexibility and the hours are good," he said, "and if you like helping people, this is a great job."

The YSU Police Department oversees the Escort Service.

Chief John J. Gocala said, "[The Escort Service] is our eyes and ears. If they see people on campus who appear intoxicated or are involved in inappropriate

behavior, they call us right away. It's a good team," he said.

There are currently 20 male employees, although, "We've had female escorts before," Gocala said. "Amy Ralston, who is now a YSU Police Officer, served as a YSU escort for a few years, and Susan Wolfe, 1999 YSU graduate, was also an employee."


Crime Prevention Officer George Hammar said the Escort Service operates at all university events at Stambaugh Stadium.

"Primary responsibility at the events is to run the elevators," he said.

The Escort Service can be reached at (330) 742-1515 and is open from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Fridays and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

## NEWS BRIEFS

A memorial gathering for Thomas Gay will be held 1 p.m. Oct. 20 in the Trustees' Room, Tod Hall. Gay was a faculty member in the English department and a founder of the YSU English Festival. Everyone is welcome.



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Walgate said he lost five years of his life from gambling.

"I missed my brother's last basketball game because I was in rehab. There are things that were more important than the excitement of gambling that I missed out on," he said.

Walgate said his "wake-up call" came when he lost the \$23,000 betting on basketball games.

"I'll never forget it. It was the Lakers vs. the Kings, and Shaq made a free throw that ended the game. It had been five days of betting on the games, and that free throw ended it all.

"What scared me was that after losing, I wanted to keep gambling. I was actually thinking about betting on Phoenix greyhounds that day."

Dr. Valerie Lorenz, executive director, compulsive gambling center in Baltimore, Md., said gambling is a frequent problem in young people.

"First of all, there is such an increase in legalized gambling.

Also, there is cash/credit access for everyone. There is a lack of education and awareness, and the government has not made much effort to combat this problem," she said. "This is also the first time in the history of our country that a generation has grown up with the government message saying gambling is family oriented."

Walgate said after he was admitted to the gambling center in Baltimore, his life began to change drastically. He said without the help of his family and, most importantly, God, he would have never been able to recover.

"God is the sole reason for my recovery. After I heard Cameron Mills, [member of the University of Kentucky's men's basketball team], speak in my church, it clicked in my heart," he said. "He talked about examining the soul and searching for the truth in life."

"I realized I was living my life for all the wrong reasons. I wanted financial prosperity, to be the center of attention and to have instant

gratification. I was selfish and greedy," he said.

Sandi Walgate, Walgate's mother, said it was her faith in God that got her through the entire ordeal.

"I didn't know how [the situation] would turn out, but it was God, without a doubt, that got my family through this," she said.

Right now, Walgate is speaking out in churches about how God has changed his life. He has also had the opportunity to be on the "Early Morning Show" with Bryant Gumbel and has spoken on local radio stations.

"I am thankful I can talk about all of the great things God has done in my life. It has been a pretty awesome experience," he said. "I know [speaking out] is what God wants, and I'm going to continue to do it."

"I know this sounds like a cliché, but if I can help one person or can prevent one person from destroying [his or her] life, it is worth it for me."

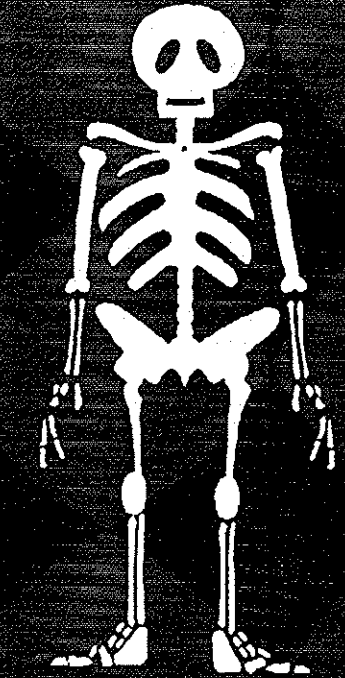
- ? a) Depression is a bunch of symptoms exhibited by weak people.
- b) Depression is an unbearable suppression of brain activity that can strike anyone.

Straightening out all the misconceptions, the correct answer is 'b'. It's a concept we should all understand and remember, and here's why. Depression strikes millions of young adults, but only 1 out of 5 ever seeks treatment for it. Too many just drag themselves along or eventually seek relief through suicide. Why not treatment? Partly lack of awareness. Partly the unwarranted negative stigma. This is what needs fixing. This is where we need you to change your attitudes. It's an illness, not a weakness. And it's readily treatable. Spreading the word and making this common knowledge is everybody's assignment.

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- 10-17-2000**  
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Rita L. Chiodo, M.Ed., CRC ~ "Disability and Technology"  
Comic PREVIEW for YSU Students ~ Christman Commons  
Kenny Johnson from Las Vegas, NV  
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7:00 - 8:30 PM \*\*ACLD Director, Erica Brown ~ Jones Room  
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o Commemoration of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ADA  
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o 50/50 Raffle and Raffle of Artwork by Marcus Allen
- 10-19-2000**  
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Ms Wheelchair Ohio ~ Kara Vargo  
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## Editorial

### It's easier to judge than understand

Sitting in front of the television, U.S. citizens pick apart the stories on the evening news about the violent situation taking place half way around the world.

People say it's the Palestinians' fault for instigating riots. Some say it's the Israelis' fault for intruding where they don't belong.

Half the population thinks the United States should help, although no one is sure what side needs the most help. The other half says the United States should mind its own business.

It's easy for Americans to so easily offer their two cents worth — the violence is half way around the world. At that distance it might as well be taking place on Mars, which is about how the situation is treated.

It took the plastering of a murdered 12-year-old Palestinian boy in Time magazine to get Americans to realize people are actually dying.

Another wire-service photo that ran in newspapers across the country depicted a dead Israeli police officer falling out of a window. What is often viewed as irrational rioting "somewhere over there" is costing lives on a daily basis — and not just these two.

In fact, a good chunk of the population was completely in the dark until U.S. lives were lost. Twelve hours later, the very people who couldn't name the involved countries the day before were suddenly experts on the subject. And with that new-found expertise, they acted accordingly by declaring who was to blame and what measures should be taken.

American ethnocentrism peaks during times when other nations are in violent states because suddenly the United States can once again step in and make the uneducated savages aware of the right road to take.

Such arrogance results in a complete disregard for the issues people of other countries hold dear.

This is not a situation where blame can be placed or where one side is bad and the other is good. There is a piece of land that means a lot to a lot of people, and no one wants to sacrifice their religious holding on this land for people who attach different significance.

No one wants to give up thousands of years of history attached to this land, and no one wants to see this land's religious significance lost to another belief.

Sympathy should be offered to all who have lost loved ones, and strides should be taken to resolve the conflict — but not from an American point of view.

Few in this country have the ability to see the situation from the viewpoint of an Israeli or Palestinian, and it is from their viewpoint that the solution will be found. These people are not barbaric savages. They love their families, are loyal to their homeland and honor their religion. Sounds very familiar.

But attaching American perspectives to the solution is not going to work. Picking apart the rights and wrongs and blaming one side or the other is equally ineffective.

Before Americans can help, first they have to understand.



By KATIE BALESTRA  
Jambar Assistant Editor

### Romanian gymnast deserved Olympic medal

When Andrea Raducan, winner of the all-around Olympic gold medal in gymnastics, had to hand over her well-deserved medal, a grave injustice was done.

Raducan, a 16-year-old gymnast from Romania, charmed the world with her dynamic style, grace and charisma. She tumbled, danced, jumped, swung and twisted her way to the top of the scoreboard, showing her country and the world she was the best.

However, after earning her gold medal and after standing tall on the first-place podium while her country's national anthem played loud and strong, she was stripped of her medal for testing positive for pseudoephedrine, a substance contained in Nurofen, which was prescribed by her team's doctor.

Even after it was proved that the drug had no effect on her performance in the Olympic games, the Court of Arbitration for Sports upheld the decision.

Raducan would have actually been banned from the sport of gymnastics for life if Ion Tiriac, chairman of the Romanian Olympic Committee, had not resigned because of the matter.

Tiriac said he resigned because he could not bring himself to ban the young gymnast forever, which is what Romanian rules require.

As committee members defend their positions and analyze the rules, a young Romanian gymnast goes home to her country without her medal and her title.

The Association of Romanian Jewelers is going to present Raducan with an 18-carat gold medal with the words "Andrea is the everlasting Olympic champion in our hearts" engraved in the center.

But no matter what her country, or anyone else for that matter, decides to give her to make up for her loss, nothing will ever compare to the "real" medal she should have won and the title that was taken away from her.

There are rules in every sport and in every competition, but should we hold an Olympian responsible for something that is out of his or her control?

Andrea Raducan should have her medal today, but due to the mishaps of others, she will be left out of the history books as the all-around Olympic champion in women's gymnastics forever.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Denim Day did not make a statement

Dear Editor,

I would like to express my views concerning a certain recent event on the YSU campus. When the rights of thousands of college students have been infringed upon, I refuse to sit idly by and say nothing. I am referring to the denim rights.

It came to my attention that I was not supposed to wear jeans Oct. 11 because it was "officially" declared homosexuals-wear-jeans-day. My congratulations to the local homosexual community for the largest "coming-out" gathering in northeast Ohio.

On this frosty October morning, two-thirds of the YSU student body did the exact same thing they do every other morning: slip on their favorite jeans and a sweat-shirt. Except Wednesday, their Hilfigers and Levi's had another label attached — they had gay tags. My message to the gay and lesbian groups on campus is "shame on you."

The group I'd believed to be most sensitive to the rights of others has just taken my rights in the name of making a statement. Did you want to stand up and be noticed?

You are just as invisible now as before. There are so many people in jeans that no one knows the difference. And instead of gaining support, you gained the irritation of several hundred college students who have accidentally assumed a lifestyle they are against. Lastly, you have lost my respect.

If you want to make a statement of who you are, fine. But do something that shows a little backbone. If you want to profess your gay pride wear a T-shirt that declares, "I'M GAY." Better yet, make the next Oct. 11 "Gays Shave Their Heads Day." No one will miss that, and few people will do it by accident.

But don't think that because a few thousand college students are wearing jeans that you made a statement. You didn't. You made a mistake.

Meredith C. Clark  
freshman, chemistry

### YSU staff member votes for Mongo

Dear Mongo Gunderson,

I don't know how else to reach you, and I have something to tell you.

I saw your ad for YSU homecoming king, and I wanted you to know you have my vote, Mongo.

You show yourself to be a man of wisdom and compassion: You are photographed holding a cat — the sweetest, smartest, swiftest creature on earth.

You advocate the abolition of tests. So do I. I've always found the labels others gave me a poor substitute for my own learning, which is lifelong.

You also remind me of the best teacher I've ever had, my brother, Mart-Face.

How many people do you know who've inspired a song, a book, or a film? Mart-Face inspired all three.

I'd like to direct you to his Web site, [Mart-Face.com](http://Mart-Face.com). Download the song, download the clip, read the text and sign The Dream Book. Marty would love that. So would I.

I wish I could arrange a meeting between Mart-Face and you, Mongo, but I can't. Mart-Face was too good for this world. So God called him home. He returned to heaven and got his angel wings early in the morning of Sept. 17, 1999.

I realize more every day how unworthy I was to have been his only sister and how blessed I was that Mart-Face was, is and always will be my only brother.

So, if you make homecoming king, Mongo, and I hope you do, I'd be honored to be queen.

Leslie Chain,  
survey coordinator, Center for Urban Studies  
Marty's sister

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Have something to say?  
Write a letter to the editor that has fewer than 350 words. Make sure to include a name and phone number for verification.



BY LARISSA THEODORE  
Jambar Editor

## Candidates are lacking

I was gung-ho about getting to the polls this year and placing my electoral vote. As a black woman, I feel I have double the responsibility to do so whether I feel like it or not. However, the candidates I'm being forced to choose between I wouldn't elect to run my church bake sale, so why should I pick them to run my country?

Republican presidential nominee Gov. George W. Bush has been the butt of more than his share of jokes lately. This is because of his out-of-place antics.

Having Bush, however, be the target of so many jokes and constantly being scrutinized could backfire if people start to feel sorry for him. Really, it could happen. We have all at some time or another stumbled over our words or mangled our sentences. A few slipups from any candidate can be taken and distorted to make it seem as if it happens all the time.

And we have to remember that Bush and other candidates are being watched almost every minute of the day while they're in

public. For Bush, this fusillade of ridicule could be helpful if it keeps up. One of his great strengths, after all, is connecting with people. And sometimes people can only sit by and watch a dolt getting picked on so much before they start to feel sorry for them. But he's not my cup of tea. He's too killer happy and when he gets mad, "people DIE!"

Frankly, he's a dorky robot of his father. He's probably only into politics because his goals of being a ballet dancer wouldn't fly with Bush senior. I want the real deal, not a generic re-make. We don't need another "mini-me," so would the real Slim Shady please stand up?

And Democratic presidential nominee Vice President Al Gore had my vote, but now it seems he has to have a need for constant exaggeration. I don't like a liar. Just when the jokes have begun to die down about his inventing the Internet and his romancing of Tipper on public G-rated TV as being the basis for a "Love Story" novel, Gore comes up with another tale.

The latest claim was that the medicine his dog takes costs less than the medicine his mother-in-law uses. It turned out he was

wrong. For that, he deserves every bit of the criticism that he has been receiving.

Why do these candidates feel the need to exaggerate? And why am I being forced to choose between dumb and dumber? I just plain don't like Bush, and Gore is all political vomit.

My guess is that Americans are a little indifferent to voting because they're being forced to choose between a meal from the garbage and leftovers.

French voters were asked a few weeks ago to decide whether the term of their nation's president should be cut to five years from seven.

The measure was approved 73 percent to 27 percent, but only about 30 percent of those who were eligible to vote bothered to do so. I guess low voter turnout isn't only an occurrence in the American elections.

If I voted for Bush, a Gore supporter would just cancel out my one vote and vice versa. If I choose to not vote, I won't be betraying my Gentile conscience and regretfully doing something I'll have to live with for the rest of my life. And right now, that \$10 minimum wage raise is looking mighty good. Nader anyone?

## Democrats had their chance

KEVIN PAVLIK  
Sophomore, Music Education

For the last eight years, the Clinton Administration has done nearly everything in its power to violate the sense of trust that exists between the people of the United States and the Oval

office. In addition to the moral undoing of the presidency during the present administration, we've seen taxes increase, the size of government expand, the number of government programs increase and the population's dependency on the government grow. All this being true, why on earth does Al Gore have anywhere near the poll numbers he has?

What is so attractive to the American population about the expansive, intrusive government that Democrats promote? Big taxes and limitless government certainly are not principles which this country was founded on.

In fact, the revolution responsible for the existence of the United States was fought because the high taxes and invasive government of the British Empire were perceived to be tyrannical.

When will we realize the American Revolution was a conservative one?

In 1787, the founders gathered in Philadelphia for the Constitutional Convention. The fruit of their labors, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, the foundation that has allowed this country to become the most powerful nation in the history of the world, was composed with the exact purpose of placing limits on the power of government. The style of government native to the

United States is limited government, not the limitless bureaucratic rut that we're stuck in now.

There seems to be a notion floating around nowadays that we will look back into history someday and see Bill Clinton as one of the great presidents in our history. This notion is absurd. How can one of the only presidents in 224 years to undergo impeachment processes be put in the same category as George Washington and Abraham Lincoln? If Gore is elected, you can expect four more years of the same.

This man is a liar and a hypocrite. In the first debate, Gore told the story of a crowded decrepit school in Florida where a girl had to stand in class because there wasn't a desk for her.

We found out later that the reason for the over-crowding in her classroom was because there was \$100,000 of new lab equipment that was being moved in. And Gore insists that a Bush administration would cut Medicare benefits for seniors when in fact, on Aug. 6, the liberal New York Times reported that the Clinton/Gore administration would be slashing benefits for Medicare recipients in need of cancer-fighting chemotherapy.

Most experts will tell you the 2000 election will be the closest in 40 years. Why? If you're voting for Gore because you think he's pro-working class and pro-union, you're wrong.

Gore, who plans on phasing out the internal combustion engine, is a direct threat to the livelihood of this community, the GM plant and the local UAW. Wake up people! It's time to see things for the way they really are. Vote Bush/Cheney in 2000.

Student Commentary

The two foes of human happiness are pain and boredom.  
—Arthur Schopenhauer

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—Jacob Braude

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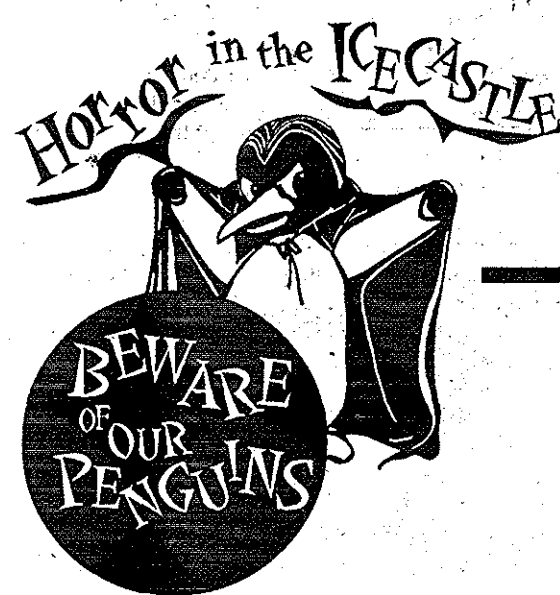
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# Y-SU Homecoming 2000

Sunday, October 22 through Saturday, October 28 ■ Youngstown State University

## Tuesday, October 10 & Wednesday, October 11

**Voting for King & Queen**  
8:00 AM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday and  
8:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Wednesday.  
Kilcawley Center/1<sup>st</sup> Floor Arcade.

## Sunday, October 22

**"Bowling" at A Plus Family Bowl**  
8:30 PM to Midnight. 2617  
Mahoning Ave., Youngstown, Ohio. Free Admission and  
bowling. Includes ball and shoe rental.

## Monday, October 23

**"Velcro Obstacle Course"**  
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.—Campus Core  
(Rain: Chestnut Room)

Join host "Mr. Sports" as he climbs the wall and encourages YSU students to do so as well!

## "HOT-FM 101"

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
YSU Arby's/ Arcade/ Campus Core

One of the area's hottest stations visits YSU to help make the Homecoming festivities just right. Give-aways, games and plenty of fun for everyone usually follows the HOT-FM 101 crew wherever they go. Free prizes and give-aways to be won.

## BW-3 "Wing Ding Eating Contest"

12:00 noon — Kilcawley Center. First Floor Arcade (stationary table). (12 contestants/ first to eat 25 wing dings is the winner.) Top prize: \$50 gift certificate from the YSU Bookstore

## Tuesday, October 24

### "Funny Fotos"

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Kilcawley Center/Chestnut Room Ext.



**K-105 FM**  
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Visit with members of the area's top country and western station. Free prizes & giveaways.

### "Pizza Eating Contest"

12:00 noon — Kilcawley Center/ First Floor Arcade (stationary table). Sponsored by Papa John's. 10 students (five men and five women) will vie for the top prize, a \$50 gift certificate from the YSU Bookstore.



### "Parade of Penguins for Hunger"

7:00 PM at the Beeghly Center.

Sponsored by the YSU Athletics Department. Come join the YSU band and our athletic teams as they help those in need. Admission: (1) non-perishable item or canned good.

## Wednesday, October 25

### "The Real Deal Crazy Game Show"

12:00 noon to 2:00 PM. Kilcawley Center/ Peaberry's Cafe

### "HOT-FM 101"

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.— Arby's/ Arcade/ Campus Core.

### "Cook-out/Ice Cream Party"

4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Newman Center. Join Father Brian Mulcahy and his Newman Center staff for a fun afternoon of food, refreshments, and activities.

## Thursday, October 26

### "Sumo Wrestling"

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Kilcawley Center/ Chestnut Room or Campus Core. Put on the equipment and go at it for fun while experiencing the joy of competition at its best!



**WBBW-AM 1240**  
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Join sports director John Caparanis as he emcee's the festivities and wrestles as well! Campus Core (Rain: Chestnut Room)



### Arby's Roast Beef Eating Contest

11:15 AM — Arby's. Visit Arby's in Kilcawley Center as 10 students vie for top prize of \$50 gift certificate from the YSU Bookstore.

### "HOT-FM 101"

8:00 PM to 11:30 PM. Kilcawley Center/ Chestnut Room. Join host Tom Pappas as we hear one of the top campus bands around.

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Kilcawley Center/ Chestnut Room—

8:00PM to 11:30PM

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## Friday, October 27

### "Velcro Wall"

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Kilcawley Center/ Chestnut Room Ext. or Campus Core.

### K-105 FM

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Visit the members of the area's top country and western station. Free prizes and giveaways.

### "Red-White Spirit Day"

(Judging completed by 1:00 PM)

The popular clash between offices as they fight for a wing-ding or pizza party that goes to the top two finishers in the annual competition.

### 2000 Half Century Club

12:00 noon - Ohio Room in Kilcawley Center. Alumni celebrating 50 or more years as graduates are invited to join us as we reminisce about YoCo and listen to YSU President, Dr. David C. Sweet, our featured speaker. In addition, Dr. Rick Shale will regale us with stories from his book about Idora Park in our pre-session.

### Williamson College of Business Administration Alumni Awards Banquet

6:00 PM. Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center  
"Celebrate College of Business Pride Week" by attending the annual Awards Banquet where three alumni awards will be presented. For more details and reservation information, please call Chris Shelton at (330) 742-3068.

### College of Fine & Performing Arts

#### "Celebrating Women in Jazz"

8:00 PM Stambaugh Auditorium - Fifth Avenue  
Guests artists Maria Schneider and Joanne Brackeen will perform with YSU Jazz Ensemble 1. Both are internationally known and recognized in the field of jazz. Tony Leonardi says this is one concert jazz fans won't want to miss. Call YSU Theater Box Office at (330) 742-3105 or stop by Bytes 'n Pieces for tickets. Student tickets are \$10.

### BW-3 "Band Party" with The Rage

On the square in downtown Youngstown, sponsored by BW-3 for the third straight year. Scheduled to perform is the local band "The Rage." Give-aways and prizes will be the order of the night throughout the show.

## Saturday, October 28

### Homecoming Parade

2:00 PM — Parade  
4:00 PM — Kick-off: vs. Gateway Conference foe Indiana State University - King/Queen crowning at Halftime.

### New! - Joint Athletic Hall of Fame/ Alumni Brunch

10:30 AM in the Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center.

We've combined functions to bring alumni together for the annual alumni brunch and the YSU Athletic Hall of Fame festivities. In past years these two functions have been held on different dates but Homecoming works best for all involved. A special performance by the Alumni Band will top off the day, early enough for you to take in other celebrations elsewhere on campus.

### Biggest Tailgate Party Ever

12:00 noon - The Tailgate Lot.  
No homecoming celebration would be complete without YSU tailgating. Join us at the Alumni Tent, sponsored by Alltel, where we will be offering a variety of refreshments.

### Alumni Terrace Lunch

2:30 PM at the Stadium Terrace.

### Greek Alumni and Alumnae - This message is for you!

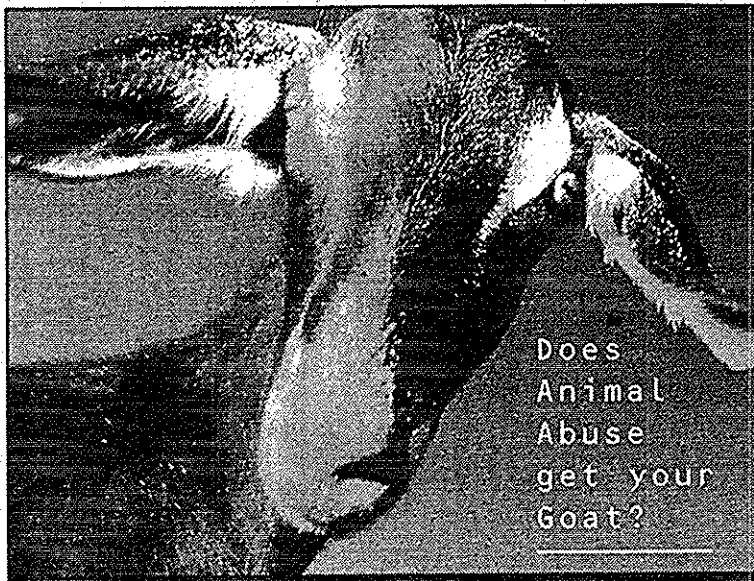
An all-Greek tailgate tent is reserved for a homecoming bash. Located on Veteran's Plaza in front of Beeghly Center, the planning group will be grilling hamburgers and hotdogs and supplying other football fare. The cost is \$15 per person. Reservations should be made by calling Lori Peters at (daytime) 1-800-995-5222 ext. 7403 or (evening) 330-227-5265. The festivities will begin at noon and last until game time. All Greek alums are welcome to stop by even if you are tailgating elsewhere.

### Black Alumni Chapter

Last year's tailgate party at Homecoming was such a success that the planning group made it an annual function. The tent will be located in front of Beeghly Center where they'll be cooking up great tailgate food. Alumni, friends, students, and prospective students are welcome to attend. There is no charge but please call Arlene Floyd at (330) 742-2333 so the committee may plan accordingly.

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If you need a copy of this survey, please contact Clarice Perry at (330) 742-3370.  
Thank you in advance.

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# Sports & Recreation

## YSU wins against Northern Iowa — 28-24



**THE MIGHTY, MIGHTY PENGUINS:** Quarterback Jeff Ryan throws a 26-yard touchdown pass to Dennis Dlugosz with 1:17 left to move the undefeated Penguins back from a 24-21 deficit and give YSU a four point lead. Ryan then moved YSU down the field on an eight-play, 66-yard drive that resulted in the game winner. Like what you see? For more Penguin action, see page 8.

## Women's golf places sixth

The YSU women's golf team finished sixth at the Eastern Kentucky Fall Invitational held Friday and Saturday at Arlington Golf Course in Richmond, Ky.

The Penguins finished with a two-round score of 670 (339-331), while Eastern Kentucky won the invite with a total of 610.

Stephanie Matasek, junior, (82-78) was YSU's top finisher placing 18th with a two-round total of 160.

Sharon O'Neill, junior, won the event with a low score of 144 for two rounds.

Lori Hatcher, freshman, finished with a 168 (83-85) for the two rounds to place 34th.

Jennifer Fleiner, freshman, carded a 169 (86-83) to finish in a tie for 36th place.

Jennifer Grossi, sophomore, shot a 174 (88-86) and tied with teammate Nichole Hamstreet, freshman, (89-85:174) for 42nd place.

Mary Kay Woodworth, freshman, finished 52nd with a 181 (88-93) for the Penguins.

## She is the Atlas of YSU soccer

By TIFFANY BOGDA,  
Jambar Reporter

Imagine yourself getting ready for practice. You pull your hair back into a ponytail, put on your shin guards and cleats and stretch.

Everything seems to be normal, except one thing.

You are a girl and your practicing with the boys! Growing up in a small town in West Virginia, Dana Walker, senior, physical therapy, went to Brooke High School. Surprisingly, with graduating classes of 400 or so, there was no girls soccer team.

She said, "I played on the boy's varsity team my freshman year because we didn't have a team yet."

During her sophomore year, the first girl's soccer team at Brooke High School was offered to Walker and many other girls.

She started for the girl's soccer team for the remaining three years of her varsity eligibility. Walker's years at Brooke High School proved to be outstanding as she lead her team to state championship her senior year.

She was first approached after that championship game by the YSU soccer coach and was offered a scholarship.

Walker said, "It's funny because I never wanted to go to YSU because my dad went there. He played football and, well, nothing against him; I just wanted to go somewhere different."

She weighed the facts that YSU had a physical therapy program and that it was the perfect distance away from home; all of which landed her talents, both athletically and academically, at YSU.

In her final season with the Penguins, Walker has very high expectations.

"I hope to win the conference," Walker said. "I know it sounds unrealistic, but we have only played in two games with a full team. Can you imagine playing football without two receivers?"

Two of Walker's teammates, Jessica Tait, sophomore, criminal justice, and April Pankewicz, sophomore, education, both hold the utmost respect for their captain.

Tait said, "She always has a positive attitude." Indeed, a positive attitude is exactly what this year's team needs," said Pankewicz.

She admitted, "We haven't had the best season, but Dana has made sure everyone never gives up and our heads are on straight."

Liz Bartley, women's soccer coach, also has high regards for Walker.

"Dana is kind yet aggressive. She is the kind of person who wouldn't hurt a fly but wouldn't care who you were on the soccer field," Bartley said.

Walker will be graduating in the spring with a 3.7 GPA. She will be the first athlete to graduate from the physical therapy program.

"It takes a lot of time," Walker said. "I really don't have time to mess around."

Bartley said, "When I came here two years ago, one of my goals for Dana was to finish the physical therapy program."

You could almost call her Atlas.

She not only is one of the tri-captains, leading her team; she is planning her future.

She is virtually carrying the world on her shoulders.

## YSU Volleyball: They won a game, they lost a game

By YSU MEDIA RELATIONS

The YSU team improved to 11-8 overall and 3-3 in the Mid-Continent Conference after defeating UMKC (5-14, 2-4), 15-7, 15-13, 20-18, Friday, in Beeghly Center.

Rebecca Sylak, junior, recorded a double-double with 20 kills and 16 digs while hitting at a .341 clip.

Amber Nagy, senior, also collected a double-double with 15 kills and 13 digs.

Kristen Meech, junior, drilled 11 kills with seven blocks while Annie Buschur, freshman, was credited with nine kills.

Nicole Scott, sophomore, collected 12 digs.

Julie Mohrfeld, who slammed 20 kills and 16 digs, and Erica Austin, who pounded 20 kills and 12 digs, paced the Kangaroos.

Katie Keating also recorded a

double-double with 15 kills and a match-high 20 digs.

On Saturday, the Oral Roberts team (9-10, 6-1) used 15 service aces and a .279 team hitting percentage to defeat YSU (11-9, 3-4), 15-12, 15-6, 12-15, 15-3.

Patricia Domingues slammed 20 kills with six blocks while Patricia Menezes pounded 18 kills to lead the Oral Roberts team.

Anna Moreno dished out 56 assists and laced three service aces. Kristen Meyerson was credited with five aces.

Skylak paced the team with 15 kills, and Meech collected 13 kills with a .647 hitting percentage and six blocks.

Cameron Drake, sophomore, pounded 10 kills with a .643 hitting percentage.

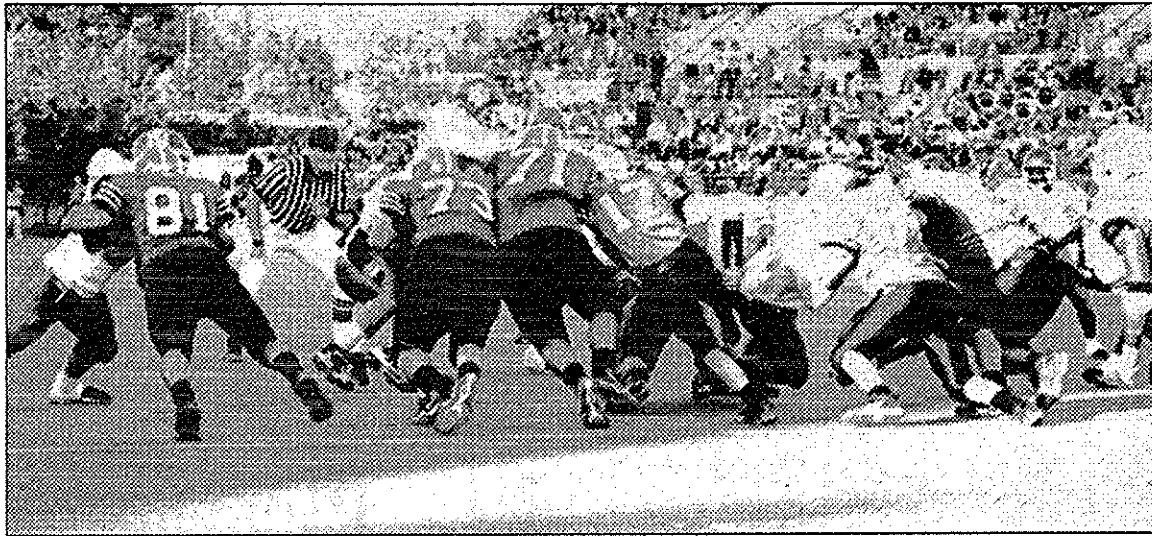
Setter Melissa Lyczkowski, junior, collected 47 assists.

YSU travels to Valparaiso University for their next game at 8 p.m. Friday.

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**YSU Men's Basketball Tryouts**  
5:30 Thursday  
Beeghly Gymnasium





## Chillin' in the Ice Castle

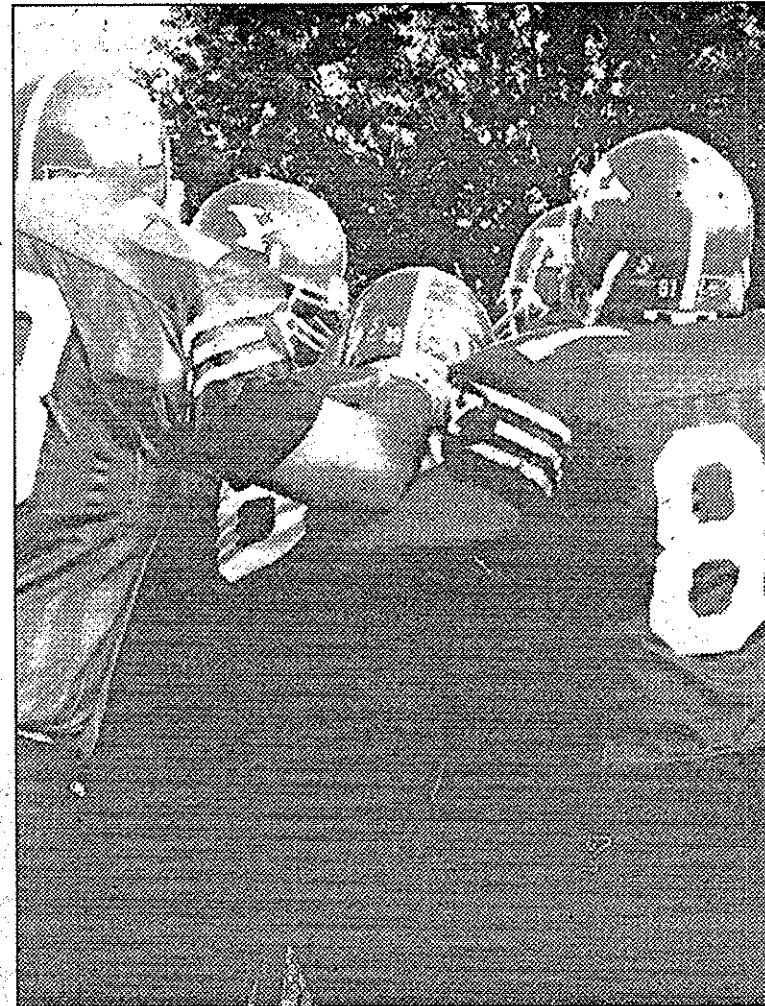


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**UPPER LEFT:** a defensive play from Saturday's game.

**UPPER RIGHT:** a huddle of Penguins.

**LOWER RIGHT:** the fearsome mascots of YSU, Pete and Penny Penguin, entertain the crowds.



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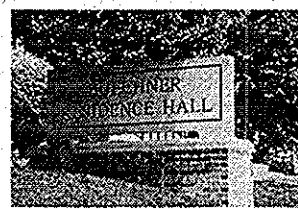
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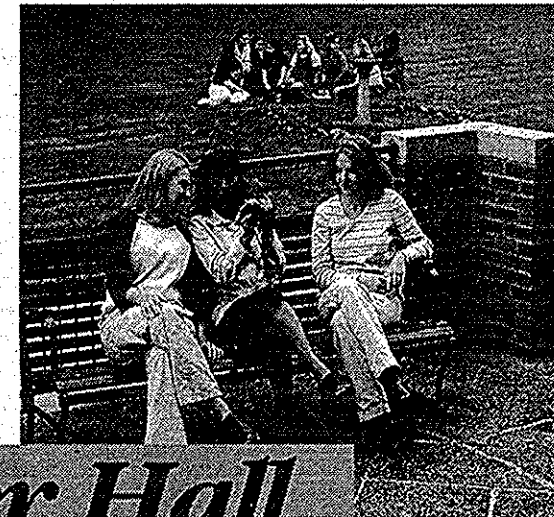
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## Napster users have alternatives for acquiring new MP3s

By WIL KIRWAN  
The Tiger (Clemson University)

(U-WIRE) CLEMSON, S.C. — Napster, the point-and-click MP3 downloading program, is in court, and the Recording Industry Association of America, or RIAA, has won the initial rounds of court decisions over copyright infringement.

On its Web site, the RIAA gives as its reasoning for suing Napster: "RIAA, on behalf of its members, sued Napster because it launched a service that enables and facilitates piracy of music on an unprecedented scale."

While nothing drastic has yet happened to the ability to access Napster as a result of the law suit, many students are already thinking ahead to the possibility of life

without Napster and are considering the alternatives to Napster.

These alternatives are peer-to-peer networking programs such as Gnutella and Scour, programs similar to Napster but without the central server connection used by Napster.

According to the RIAA, "Napster has built a system that allows users who log on to Napster's servers to obtain infringing MP3 music files that are stored on the computers of other users who are connected to the Napster system at the same time."

"Napster provides advanced search capabilities, as well as direct hyperlinks to the MP3 files housed on its users' computers."

With programs such as Scour and Gnutella, the servers like those

used by Napster are eliminated, and instead, file sharing occurs directly between machines, instead of using a server to find files.

According to Walter Jones, Clemson junior, computer science, "The way Gnutella works is by checking the first 10 computers on my share list for the file I requested."

"Each of those 10 computers then searches their 10 closest computers for the file I requested," he said.

"This branch continues until the file I requested is found and sent back to me. At any given moment, there are hundreds of terabytes of information available on Gnutella."

Brandon Moebes, a freshman engineering major at CU, said

thinks the loss of Napster will lead to students downloading more than just MP3s.

"Scour, Gnutella, there are hundreds of other programs that will easily do what Napster was capable of [doing]. Napster being gone won't stop me [from downloading MP3s] one bit."

"These other programs will work just as well once everyone starts looking for a Napster substitute."

"The record industry has no right to accuse us of copyright infringement, they have been fixing the prices of CDs for years and ripping off their customers," said Moebes.

Andrew Clark, a senior at CU in biosystems engineering, said he feels differently. "A world without

Napster is a world I don't want to live in," Clark said. The differences of opinions are widespread throughout the CU campus. Jones agrees with Moebes.

"I'm going to run with Gnutella, a peer to peer file sharing program with no central server."

"It is an open source program, making it a technology and not a company that can be shut down. If I want it to do something more, I can re-program it. Also, it does more than just MP3s," said Jones.

Once the court rulings come back from Napster's appeal, students will find out if their preparation and fear was worth the while.

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#### Correction:

Dr. Victor Wan-Tatah, associate professor, philosophy and religious studies, was not identified as the director of Africana Studies in the article, "YSU panel presents dialogue on diversity" in Thursday's paper. Also, Wan-Tatah arrived in the United States in 1977, not 1987, which was the year he began teaching at YSU.

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## Cancer survivors recognized for courage

■ Thursday, survivors will meet at Federal Plaza to form the shape of a ribbon, the National Breast Cancer awareness symbol.

By CAROL WILSON  
Jambar Reporter

A frightening yet true statistic is that one in eight or nine American women will develop breast cancer at some point in life. The American Cancer Society has designated October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and wants to remind women that activities and awareness programs are happening in Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana counties.

Thursday, Ohio Mammography Day, breast cancer survivors from the area will meet at 11:45 a.m. in the concourse of the Phar-Mor Building and by noon will line up along Federal Plaza West to form the shape of a pink ribbon, the National Breast Cancer Awareness

symbol.

"We're expecting more than 200 cancer survivors to participate," said Al Stabilito, communications director, American Cancer Society, of Ohio Mammography Day.

Youngstown Mayor George Mckelvey will make a proclamation to survivors in recognition of their courageous efforts for having overcome this debilitating disease.

In addition to local celebratory efforts throughout the month, the ACS is reminding women early breast cancer detection through mammography is available for all women who qualify.

"The Breast, Education, Screenings and Treatment Program is to help financially eligible women between the ages of 35 and

49 who are either underinsured or have no insurance get a mammogram," said Stabilito.

Eligibility is determined by income. For instance, a single woman earning \$20,600 per year is eligible under this program. Or if a woman lives in a household of four and the total income is \$41,750 per year or less she is also eligible.

Women can call the AMC to find out, according to the size of their household, the maximum earned net income rendering availability for free mammogram screening.

"The income levels are not so small. We're hoping, because the figures aren't so low, a lot of women will take advantage of this program, but if they don't call, how are we going to help them?"

said Stabilito.

Women wishing to have a mammogram and fall within the range of eligibility can call the ACS to receive the necessary form. Once eligibility is established, a voucher will be mailed to recipients listing providers whom they can call to make an appointment.

"We have almost \$6,000 left in the budget that has been allocated by the ACS for the BEST program that we have to use between now and the end of the calendar year," said Stabilito.

For women between 40 and 64, another mammography program offered through Planned Parenthood called Women's Health Advantage is also available.

Mona Bixler, Columbiana coordinator of Reach to Recovery

and a two-and-a-half year breast cancer survivor, has devoted the last couple of years to volunteer work. Bixler's support group visits newly-diagnosed patients to offer support and guidance.

"When they tell you that you have cancer, your whole life changes. I would never have stood in front of a group of people and talked, but it's so important for me now to share my experience and say, 'Hey, look, I'm still here,'" said Bixler.

For additional information, such as a list of upcoming activities or eligibility requirements for mammography, call the Mahoning Valley American Cancer Society in Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana counties at (330) 533-0546 or toll free at (888) 227-6446.

## Chemistry department formulates technique for getting along

By SUSAN KELLY  
Jambar Reporter

It seems obvious that members of the chemistry department would be good at scientific formulas. What doesn't seem obvious is they are also very good at formulas for getting along with each other.

Dr. Peter Kasvinsky, dean, graduate studies, acknowledges the teamwork shown by the department in the process of writing research proposals for outside funding.

"They really are a model of cooperation," he said. "They've been awarded research dollars because they support one another in their efforts to excel in areas where they are most gifted," said Kasvinsky.

He pointed to the department's teamwork as the reason for its success in obtaining outside

funding for research.

"Some faculty members agree to take on more teaching time so that others in the department are free to pursue research proposals," he said.

Dr. Daryl Mincey, chair, chemistry, agreed.

"The department is a lot like a family. We all have certain likes and dislikes, but what works for us is that we share the work and the responsibilities. Interestingly, a lot of our problem is we can do lots of research," he said.

Mincey pointed out that Dr. Fred Koknat, professor, chemistry, has a gift for teaching and loves it.

"He was willing to teach more, so other faculty could pursue research," Mincey said. "That's the kind of teamwork we believe in."

Within the last year, the department was awarded a

\$250,000 grant, part of which was used to purchase a liquid chromatograph/mass spectrometer, a highly technical instrument.

"One of our recent graduates was hired specifically because of her work with this instrument. That's really the capstone of our efforts," Mincey said.

As for the grant writing process itself, Mincey said, "We've learned over time the best approach to research lies in partnering. We don't have 40 professors on staff, but we have strengths in other areas. So we work jointly with The Ohio State University or other universities and use each other's strengths. By virtue of frequency, we increase our possibilities."

Dr. Timothy Wagner, associate professor, chemistry, was recently awarded a grant from The

Research Corporation. The grant was written on synthesis and structure characterizations of nitride-fluoride analogs of oxides. He works closely with a research team in the department and has specific goals for the future in mind.

"We are working on an exploratory project trying to make new compounds, which have never been made before," he said. "One of our recent graduates, Rhea Nicklow, recently prepared and characterized single crystalline Ca<sub>2</sub>NF<sub>2</sub>, which was the first single crystalline study completed on an inorganic nitride-fluoride compound."

Wagner said he spends hours mentoring the students on his team and shares in their successes.

"Our ultimate goal is to prepare an analog of the 1-2-3 high temperature super conducting

oxide of the future," he said.

He chose his particular focus because, he said, "There is currently no well-accepted theory explaining why these materials are superconductors at relatively high temperatures. If a nitride-fluoride analog is successfully prepared, studies of its properties will help us better understand the properties of the oxide compound."

Wagner said The Research Corporation grant paid for a \$13,000 furnace for use in the experiments he conducts. Graduate and undergraduate students in his group now have equipment to use to fulfill the proposed research.

"Regarding The Research Corporation, only 33 percent of the research submitted is accepted. So, when you are approved, this is a very good thing for all of us," he said.

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and organize the clippings. Testa and Klingensmith are also marking down all the deformities, erosions (separation of the fin), tumors (lumps) and lesions (open or scarred wounds) on the fish. The DELTs, as Testa calls them, are signs of wear and tear on the fish from a polluted environment.

Recording the DELTs on the fish this year and comparing them with a very similar study done by Dr. Lauren Schroeder in 1988 and 1991 shows an improvement in the cleanliness of the river.

"We're looking at fish and coding them for deformities," Mandrak says. "There's a direct correlation between deformities, lesions, tumors and the health of the environment."

Since there have been less DELTs on the fish so far, they assume the water is cleaner.

Mandrak attributes this to less industrial pollution. When the steel mills were active, he says, 26,000 pounds of petroleum were dumped in to the river every day.

Now, the main problem is the sediments at the bottom of the river, where Mandrak speculates the pollution may have been buried.

Mandrak and Josh Noble, graduate student, biology, head back out on the electro-fishing boat. The \$10,000 boat sends electrical currents out into the water,

stunning the fish, thus making them easier to catch.

The boat, which was purchased by YSU for the biology department, has made the task much simpler. The old method of catching the fish in giant nets, although cheaper, was time-consuming and labor-intensive, says Mandrak.

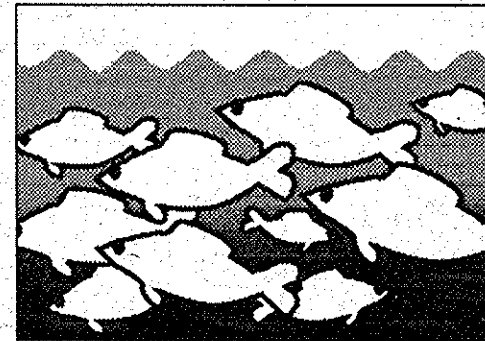
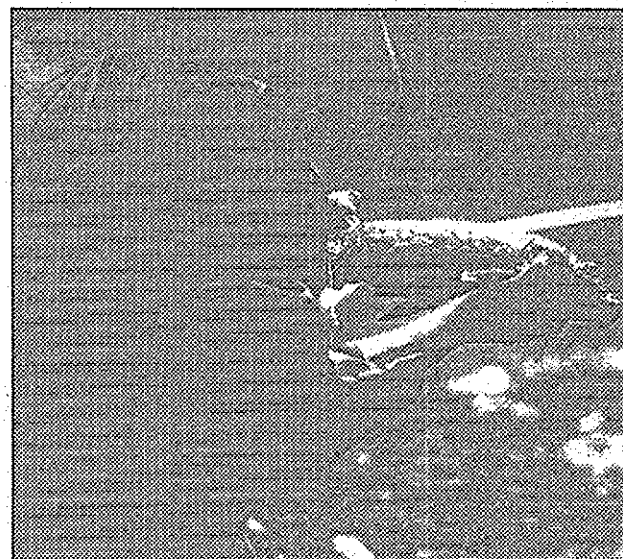
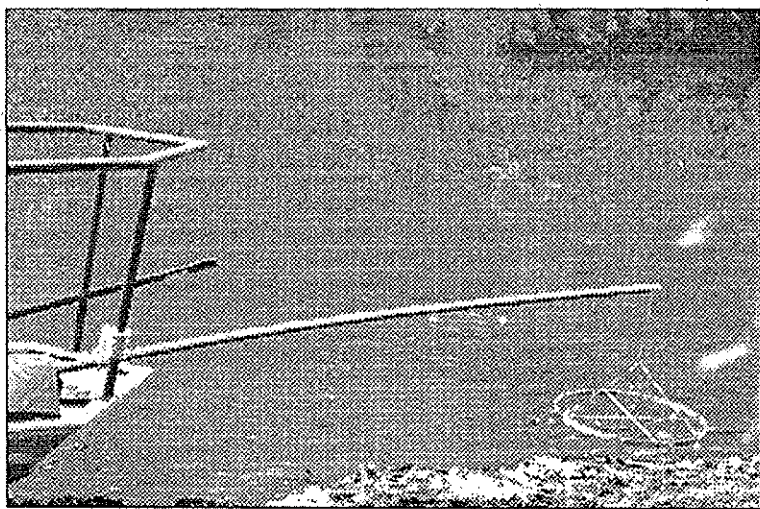
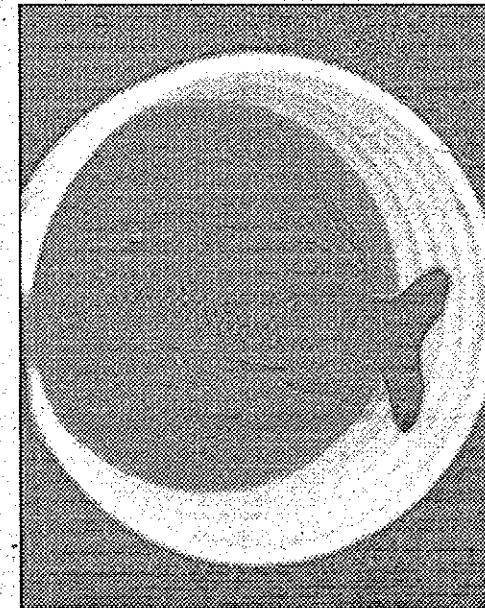
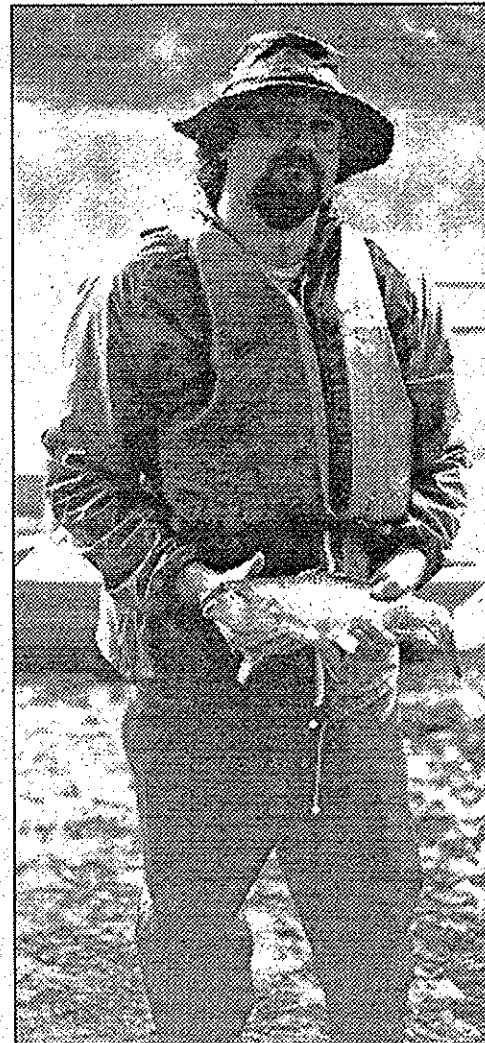
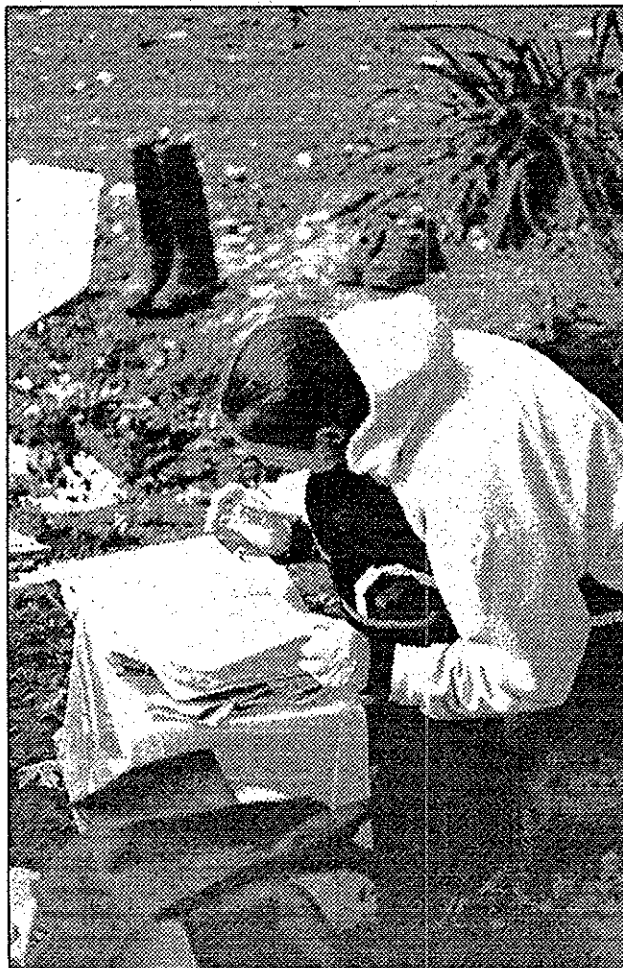
When Mandrak and Noble come back on shore a short while later, they are carrying a plastic tub full of fish: large-mouth bass, wall-eye, sunfish, catfish, carp and goldfish.

Both Testa and Mandrak say they are glad to see these kinds of fish. The abundance of bass, wall-eye and sunfish are good, Mandrak says, because they like clean water.

Schroeder's experiment found many brown and black bullhead catfish, says Testa. These fish are signs of a polluted river since they can withstand that type of environment, she explains.

This year, however, she says they are finding channel catfish, which is a sign of clean environment. The channel catfish eat other fish and are only found where there is an abundance of food for them, she continues.

All their findings, which Testa will present to the Ohio Fish and Wildlife Conference in February, are pointing to a cleaner environment.



**WHAT A FISH STORY:** Top left, Liz Testa, senior, biology, records data from a specimen. Top right, Dr. Nick Mandrak, assistant professor, biology, holds a stunned fish used in the research. Middle left, Josh Noble, graduate student, biology, measures a fish taken from the Mahoning River. Middle right, a stunned fish rests in a bucket before being returned to the river. Bottom left, a researcher examines a fish. Above, the electrocurrent rod suspended from a boat to stun fish.

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**Pan African Student Union** is having its first meeting from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 2069, Kilcawley Center. Contact Towana Stevens at (330) 742-3591 for more information.

### Wednesday

**YSU Dance Club** is having professional ballroom dance lessons with Jim Ferris at 5:30 p.m. in Room 100, Beechly Center. For more information, contact Amanda at dancer5524@aol.com.

**The History Club** is having Dr. Bonnie Shaker, assistant professor, English, and advisor to The Jambar, discuss the historical development and limitations of "objectivity" as a journalistic principle through the case study of Ida B. Wells, the late 19th century black female journalist who wrote "The Red Record," which demonstrated that more than 700 innocent black men had been lynched on false accusations of rape against white women. The meeting will take place at noon in Room 2069, Kilcawley Center. Contact Lowell J. Satre at (330) 742-1608 for more information.

**Alpha Lamda Delta** is having a meeting from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Bresnahan Suite, Kilcawley Center. For more information, contact Cindy at (330) 480-6240.

**Golden Key National Honor Society** is having a general chapter meeting at 5 p.m. in Room 2068, Kilcawley Center. They will be accepting a donation of canned goods.

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**LGBT** is having a meeting at 4 p.m. in Kilcawley Center. Check the schedule of rooms in Kilcawley Center lobby. Non-gay allies are welcome too. For more information, contact Jeff Boggs at jeffbysu@aol.com or (330) 782-6919.

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