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LIBRARY RESEARCH—A pair of pre-med students are aided in their latest anatomy class by YSU's resident female flasher. The students, who were holding study sessions in the campus library, were confronted with an unknown situation which they were able to solve after a closer examination of the subject. (Photo by Allen Funt)

Tod Hall to hear pitter-patter of little feet

Cough-up finally gives day care center his blessing

by Capt. Kangaroo

After more than five years of negotiating with the State Board of Regents, President John Cough-up announced today that the YSU Day Care Center will make its home in the Board of Trustees room located in Tod Hall.

The decision was made when an investigation by the Ohio Board of Regents discovered that YSU was the only university in the country without a day care

center. The investigation committee's first site for the center was Cough-up's office, but later agreed with Cough-up that the second largest room on campus would suffice for housing the center.

Cough-up said the day care center would open immediately, saying that the children can play with the phones and staplers until their toys arrive.

"Like I always said, there is no

generation gap at this University. We do not want to discriminate any age group from this campus," said Cough-up.

The day care center will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday except the one Saturday each quarter when the trustees meet.

Cough-up does not think the day care equipment will affect the proceedings at a trustees meeting saying, "Most of us (trustees) like

to sit on bouncing balls and play with Barbie dolls." However, he did suggest each trustee member bring a change of pants in case the cleaning lady misses a spot.

Cough-up said only one adult will be hired for watching the children. The babysitter will work from 5-9 p.m. evenings and Saturday.

Since the board room is sur-

rounded by sound-proof glass, Cough-up explained that the receptionist will watch the children from 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. and still perform her other duties.

Cough-up said during the warm months the children could play in the construction area of the sports complex. He said the crew at the complex does not work during the day anyway so they can help watch the children.

Dean announces plans; music to liven decks

by Scoop Baxter

Edmund Slaughtered, dean of buildings, announced today at an early morning press conference that he has come up with a master construction plan designed to upgrade the YSU image and "put this damn school on the map."

Slaughtered's announcement came as a complete surprise to everyone in attendance at the conference, including the Board of Trustees, the YSU president and probably Slaughtered himself.

He called the early morning conference after having seen "a vision in a dream last night" and said that his master plan may be put into action as early as this May.

Slaughtered said that the project will include completely enclosing both parking decks and adding heating and air conditioning as well as a stereo system that will "blow your minds."

Other improvements in the works, according to Slaughtered, will include connecting all buildings on campus with an intricate

bridge system.

He said the bridges will also be temperature controlled and possibly carpeted.

Slaughtered's project will also include a gesture to "humble us folks over here in Tod Hall." He said that Tod Hall will serve as classroom space for those classes normally held in Lincoln Project and the administration will take over the rooms there for office space.

When one reporter questioned Slaughtered about where the money would come from to finance the renovations, Slaughtered simply smiled and brushed a speck of dust from his suit coat saying "Nice suit, huh? I felt so good when I got up I just had to run out and buy a new suit." He later added that bidding for the renovations will begin next week.

When reminded of the difficulty the University has experienced with the currently unfinished stadium, Slaughtered once again

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Cheerleaders try-out for Cowboys' squad

by Lois Lane

As many college football players are getting ready for the professional draft, the NFL cheerleading draft has already begun and YSU may finally have someone in the pro ranks.

Yes, the YSU cheerleaders have been asked to audition for the 1980 squad of the Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders.

According to an undisclosed

source, the cheerleaders received a call from Dallas Cowboy owner Tex. Slick reportedly after he heard that the eight rah-rahs were not cheering for the YSU Penguins.

During a recent telephone conversation with Slick, the *Slumbar* discovered that the eight Penguin cheerleaders were invited to come to Dallas for spring training.

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Editorial

Where credit is due

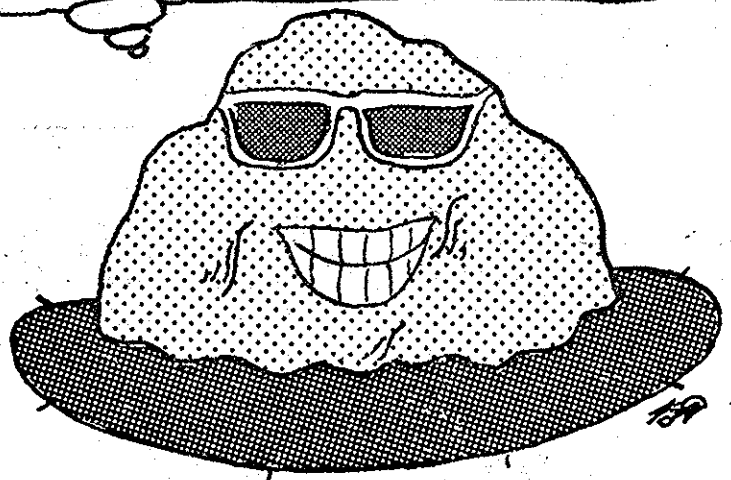
It has been brought to the attention of *the Slumbar* staff by a few concerned individuals (at least two or three) that our paper has been too critical of the actions (or lack thereof) taken by Student Government/Council and has not given proper credit to their untiring efforts to aid the students of this fine University.

We would therefore like to take the following opportunity to list for you all of the ways in which your Student Government/Council benefits your stay on the YSU campus and enhances your academic and cultural needs.

We only hope that this will further serve to give a better understanding of the situation as students decide whether or not to vote in this quarter's election.

The Boulder

WELL WHAT DID YOU EXPECT
AFTER SPRING BREAK...
I JUST GOT BACK FROM PEBBLE BEACH!

**CAMPUS SNORTS****Name Change Dedication**

Edmund Slaughtered, dean of buildings, invites all YSU students to attend the dedication and rechanging of the name of Cushwa Hall back to Technical and Community (T&CC). Slaughtered said the name will be changed immediately because of the increasing number of students not knowing where the presently Cushwa Hall, formerly CAST and T&CC, is located.

The dedication is at noon today in the School of Business Administration, formerly Lincoln Project.

Draft Dodgers

The Human Sexuality Club is offering a weekend for two in the No-Tell-Motel for any women eligible for the draft. For \$40 the club will schedule a room at the inn with one of their young, handsome, virile men.

If the treatment does not take place in the first visit the club will reimburse the woman \$35 and the second visit will be absolutely free.

This cost includes one bottle of Mad Dog, two Big Macs and a free pregnancy test. Only students with a current validation sticker are eligible.

Attention Students

The *Slumbar* has recently discovered a few administrators selling phony parking stickers and cards to new spring quarter freshman. These cards are red and read "YSU Parking Control Card." The valid cards are "YSU Parking *Kontrol Kard*." President Koffelt urges any student to report the violating administrators to Kampus Sekuriti immediately.

The truth is out**'Slumbar' uncovers releases**

by Birdie Bear

The White House press officials have released an abundance of press releases so far for 1980 and many of them went right past the American public by cover-up efforts of many sources.

Well, *the Slumbar* has taken it upon itself to make the public aware of these announcements and here you have it folks, press releases that are unabridged and unedited:

Amy Carter finally reached puberty and is thus considered a woman and now eligible for the draft. Miss Carter was not available for comment; sources said she was packing for a lengthy vacation in Canada.

Speculation has abounded concerning Rosalyn Carter's part in her husband's campaign for reelection. However, top-notch officials close to the First Lady claim she is staying out of her husband's bid and concentrating on her own chances for the Presidency.

Hamilton Jordan denies reports that he was involved in any cocaine dealings at Studio 54. The staff official claims it was not cocaine at all, but rather heroin, thus disproving any proposed eye-witness accounts.

President Carter is considering

chucking Camp David for Camp Fitch. Sources claim proposed tentmates for Carter are Begin and Sadat since they're all the best of friends now.

In response to President Carter's invitation to the Olympic Hockey team "to come on down to the White House for a couple of cases of coke," secret service agents reported that Hamilton Jordan was *not* put in charge of supplying the refreshments.

When asked to comment on Senator Kennedy's challenge for the Democratic nomination, (cont. on page 7)

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All the comforts of home

First co-ed dorm to open this fall

by Jean Zentko

The old Arts and Science Building located on Wick Avenue will be converted into a co-ed dorm, opening for occupancy Fall quarter, 1981. Dr. John Cough-up, YSU president, announced yesterday that the W. E. Bildem construction company will begin remodeling the former motel on April 7. Since the building is already built with basic individual rooms, renovation will be minimal. However, several modern conveniences and luxuries will be built to provide resident students with the utmost in comfort. Each individual room will come complete with television, AM/FM radio receiver, and telephone with students only being charged for out-of-state calls.

In lieu of individual bathrooms, community bathrooms will be located on each floor. However, to make up for this inconvenience, a heated swimming pool and covered sundeck will be built on the roof of the complex. In addition, a tanning parlor will be constructed for those who like to appear as if they spend every weekend basking in the Florida sun. Four racquetball courts are planned for the basement of the structure along with a weight lifting/exercise room and a communal hot-tub. To carry the students from the dorm to their classes, heated/air-conditioned covered bridges will be built giving access to every building on campus. Determining residency in the

complex has been a concern of the Board of Trustees who have concluded that the following restrictions be considered before students may apply for residency. First, all students must maintain a 3.2 acum, throughout their stay. Preference also will be given to second quarter freshman, then sophomores, juniors, seniors, and finally married couples. The Board of Trustees concluded that following this system will encourage students to remain in school. Further restrictions on married couples included no cooking in the rooms and no pets or children. Finally, scholarship money can not be applied to residency fees which, as of yet, have not been determined.

Cheerful Cheerleaders

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It was also learned that the cheerleaders were offered a lucrative contract for an undisclosed amount. YSU cheerleader advisor, Polly Maybe would not comment about the audition. Slick said he had two reasons for calling the cheerleaders. "We want some new faces and other things, to help boost up the moral on my team," said Slick. "We also hate to see any cheerleaders just sitting out on the job. We heard these girls were peppy,

pretty and willing to really support their team," stated Slick. When asked how it would feel to be a Dallas Cowboy Cheerleader, one YSU cheerleader happily exclaimed, "I always loved Dallas quarterback Dan Pastorini!" Another cheerleader commented, "Well, at least I'll get to cheer in a real stadium."

Campus improvements

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smiled and said "I forgot." Further revelations about the new image project revealed that the library and Bliss Hall will both be torn down in order to provide more parking. Slaughtered said that the new lots would be paved. He also said that Kilcawley Center will be expanded but would not elaborate on the plans for the Center. He would only say that it was likely that

Kilcawley West would be torn down, possibly while all offices were occupied. Slaughtered concluded the stunning announcement by saying that Youngstown's residents would be in for a big surprise by YSU and that "this school is really going someplace." The University president was heard to say that Slaughtered was going someplace.

Releases

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President Carter responded, "Well, we'll just cross that bridge when we come to it!" Political figures have issued their Christmas lists early this year and the following is a rundown on proposed gifts for your favorite: Reagan - a case of Grecian Formula; Baker - to be back in the running; Anderson - popularity; Hamilton Jordan - anonymity; Cyrun Vance - effectiveness; Kennedy - a bill to pass through legislation banning all bridges; Nixon - another chance; Carter - another foreign crisis; Rosalyn - to be President; Governor Jerry Brown - a drought; Amy Carter - combat boots (preferably red one).

Spokespersons from the White House are furtively trying to disquiet rumors that Johnny Carson is going to challenge Carter for the Democratic nomination. Carson's proposed running mate is of course, Ed McMahon. Among the latest rumors emerging from the Washington arena, is a rumor concerning President Carter's rather malicious manner towards Senator Kennedy. At a recent press conference, Carter allegedly asked reporters who they would vote for if former President Nixon and Senator Kennedy were the candidates. After much chatter and many puzzling looks, a young reporter answered "Kennedy." "At least Nixon got a man on the moon, Kennedy couldn't even get a woman across a bridge!" quipped Carter.



OOOOOPS!—R.O.T.C. Capt. Marvel falls to his death while teaching rappelling to the freshman R.O.T.C. class. (Photo by Shluck Chinker)

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Stadium gets the shaft

Complex construction halted by disappearances

by Jock S. Trapp

The YSU Athletic Department received more discouraging news regarding the progress (or lack thereof) being made on the construction of the University's multi-million dollar sports complex.

Construction had been moving along as planned, with pilings being brought in and electrical

work getting started, when the construction forepersons reported that significant numbers of their workers were disappearing on the job.

After an extensive five-minute investigation by YSU security force, during which five members of their own ranks disappeared right before their own eyes, it was concluded that the entire founda-

tion of the stadium facility, as well as the remaining sports complex property are honeycombed with a series of previously undetected mine shafts.

Security put out an immediate call for YSU's resident expert in mine shafts, Dr. Ground Hogg. Hogg, who received a degree in shafting from the Downtown Business College, has been sticking his head into various Youngstown area holes in the ground for the last dozen or so years.

Hogg immediately ordered a halt to all construction on the facility, citing safety factors as his reason. The halt proved to be unnecessary since the workers were on one of their customary four month coffee breaks anyway.

When asked if he knew how deep and extensive the shafts went, Hogg replied, "There's a whole lot of them down there, and there's as many different branches to them as there are lines at the Hardees' food counter."

Athletic Department reaction to this discovery has been varied since most officials regard the many project delays as routine.

Pucks take flight amid parked cars in Wick Ave. deck

by Jock S. Trapp

In a major move to "upgrade the image" and "broaden the base" of YSU varsity athletics, Athletic Director Saul Amoney announced that YSU will be fielding its first ice hockey team during the winter of 1980-81.

The team will be competing in the Major College Hockey League, which includes the likes of Bowling Green and Minnesota, both of which sent players to the U. S. Olympic Team.

"We see this as a positive step in our program," said Amoney. "It proves to our fans how far we will go to get our program in the limelight."

Amoney also announced the hiring of "Dentures" Johnson as the head coach of the squad. Johnson got his nickname in the National Hockey League when he played goalie before the adoption of protective mask regulations.

"I am very happy to be at YSU, and I will work hard to bring a winner to the fans," said Johnson. "The only minor problem that I see is the lack of a facility to play in, but Amoney has promised to flood-over and freeze the lower level of the Wick deck if necessary."

"I am sure that they will be able to correct whatever is wrong with the construction project and get back on schedule," stated Athletic Director Saul Amoney.

"We don't see any problems in getting into the new facilities by our projected date," concluded Amoney.

"What our fearless leader means," explained YSU head football coach Will Bruzzer, "is that we have just signed a 15-year extension on our contract with Fitch High, and he's hoping that by some minor miracle we won't have to add on another five or ten years."

"If you ask me," continued Bruzzer, "by the time we get into that stadium we will have left the Ohio Valley Conference, played five years in the Mid-American Conference and will be ready to petition for membership in the Big Ten."

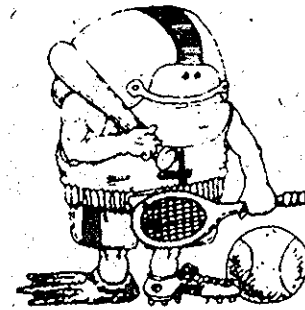
University officials have stated that Hogg will be afforded the necessary time for a complete

and thorough study of the shaft problem, and presentation of possible solutions to the dilemma. Star Wars suite sources report that the officials feel one or two days will be sufficient.

It has also been learned that the University will "spare no expense," to begin a massive land-fill operation so that work on the project may resume as quickly as possible.

In order to finance the land-fill, the University Board of Trustees has approved a 50 per cent increase in the student General Fee under the line item of "Campus Beautification."

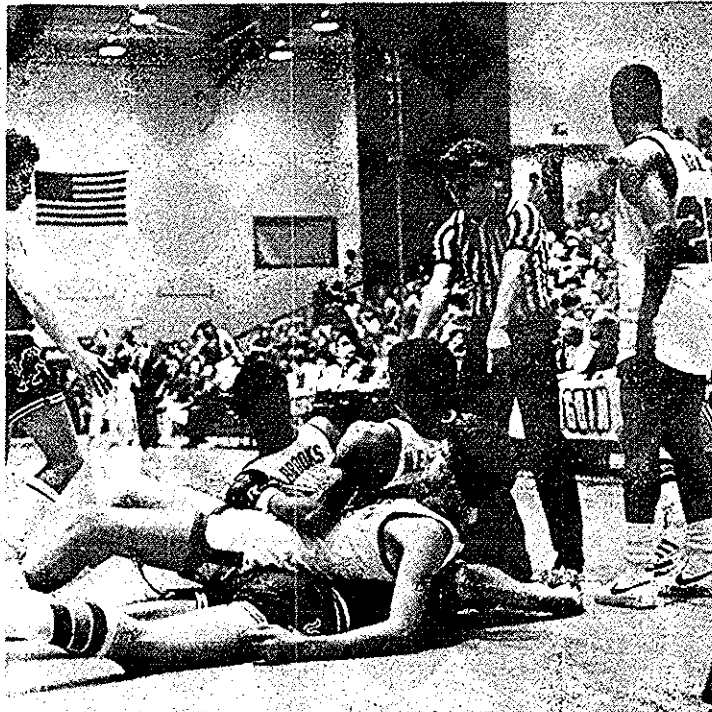
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NEW TEAM SPORT — A capacity crowd jammed into Beeghly Center last night as YSU's varsity squash team began its initial season. The home team (shown in white) demonstrates a superior edge over visitors as they get a 3-1 advantage. (Photo by Pole R. Oid)

CLASSIFIEDS

DEAR CINDY, Thanks for the wonderful time in Ft. Lauderdale during spring break. I never knew it was that easy. I figured once I got my foot out of the way it would be smooth sailing. Again, thanks! Love Lou
P.S. By the way, I still have the bottoms of your polka dotted bathing suit. If you want them back come to the Rock tonight around midnight. I'll bring the wine. (1A1PH)

LOST - One polka dotted bathing suit. Lost somewhere between here and Ft. Lauderdale. If found please return to Cindy at 69 Easy Street. Reward included (1A1PH)

LOST - One bag of good Columbian. Owner needs it to get through spring quarter. If found will share. Contact L.M. High in the staircase near the campus bookstore. (1A1PH)

Film course lab fees suggested due to increasing rental charges

by Karen Kastner Guy

"Films that you see in film courses seem to me like the books you read in literature courses. We (the University) don't supply books. . . but we're expected for some reason to supply students with films."

So states Dr. Richard Shale, English, who proposes that lab fees be applied to film courses in order to assure the frequency with which they are offered as well as the quality of the films and their availability.

Shale has suggested a nominal fee of \$5 or \$10 per student—about \$1 per film. He points out that no film course is mandatory for any students in any one program, but that they can be used to fill certain graduation requirements.

Shale explains that because of

a lack of funding, YSU offers few film classes compared to other universities and colleges. He points out it is common at other schools to charge lab fees for such courses.

Shale, who teaches Introduction to Literature, Film and Drama Comedy in Film (offered for the first time winter quarter 1980), will also instruct Black Images in Film this spring. He pointed out that the History of Film is frequently offered by the speech department.

Film rental funds for these classes is provided by the Media Center, whose function is to answer requests of all instructors for films—within economic limits. As Floyd Jackson, center director, pointed out, although film rental costs are "sky-rocketing," the 79-80 budget of \$69,000 (not includ-

ing personnel costs) remained constant with 78-79 appropriations.

The approximate media center budgets for the above classes are as follows: Introduction, \$200; History, \$180; and Comedy, \$300 (plus a contribution from the English department.)

Dave Johnson, Kilcawley Program Coordinator, concurs with Jackson that "films are incredibly expensive." According to Johnson, the Kilcawley Thursday Film Series appropriation for the 79-80 fiscal year was \$12,000; weekly Pub film series, \$1500; and the Video Arts Committee tape rental fees, \$1500.

All of these film rental budgets are extracted from General Fee monies. Johnson said the Kilcawley Thursday series has, to date, recouped \$9500 of the \$12,000 via admission fees.

Superman was the most expensive film rented by the Kilcawley Board this academic year at \$639.75. *Heaven Can Wait* followed at approximately \$600; *Midnight Express*, \$550; and *Foul Play*, \$500. Other films were also in this \$500 to \$600 price range.

Said Shale, "I've found it interesting that Kilcawley is able to spend double (and in some cases, triple) on a single film than what I have to spend for a whole film class."

Newman Center schedules services for Holy Week

The Newman Center will offer Holy Week services beginning Tuesday, April 1 and concluding Easter Sunday, April 6 according to Father Raymond Thomas, director of the Newman Center Community.

A Passover Meal at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 1 will begin Holy Week services. Also known as the Seder (meal commemorating the Israelites' exodus from Egypt), the Passover celebration will include the Festival of Lights, blessing of the cup and a meal highlighting various foods which symbolize the oppression of the Hebrew people in ancient Egypt.

The Newman Center choir will provide music before and after the service. A slide and music presentation also will be included during the ritual and the meal, featuring traditional Jewish music as well

as music used in the ceremony.

The last Lenten vesper service will conclude at 7:45 p.m., Wednesday, April 2. The Lucernarium (light service), singing of psalms, a Scripture reading, incensing of the congregation and the Benediction will be featured.

The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at 7:45 p.m., Thursday, April 3.

Celebration of Good Friday will begin at 1 p.m., April 4 with the Stations of the Cross. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death will begin at 7:45 p.m.

The Blessing of New Fire and Paschal Candle will begin the Easter Vigil Mass at 7:45 p.m., Saturday, April 5.

The 10 a.m. Easter Mass on Sunday, April 6 will celebrate the Lord's resurrection.

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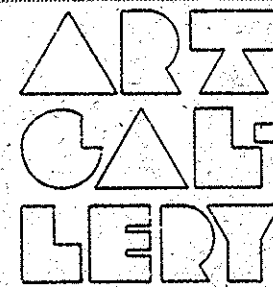
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Spring brings baseball season

Penguins dust off bats and gloves for opener

by Ron Anderson

It's that time of year for all sports enthusiasts to put aside all thoughts of winter sports and look ahead to the sport known as the national pastime, baseball.

On the YSU campus, baseball fans have always had more than their share of excitement as Penguin squads have posted 20-win seasons in 10 of the last 11 years, including a 21-5 mark last

season. The YSU nine is coached by Dom Rosselli, who will be entering his twenty-sixth season this year. Rosselli's record is an outstanding 394-193 over that period, and yes, this is the same man who has been directing the YSU basketball program for the past 36 seasons.

Pitching will be the key to this coming season as Rosselli sees it.

"We do have some pitching that could be our strongest point," related Rosselli, "however, we received a severe blow when we lost our top prospect, Joe Sekora, who is going to be academically ineligible" this year.

The loss of a pitcher of Sekora's caliber has to have an effect on the team, considering that in five appearances, including four starts, he posted a 2-1 win-loss record and logged a fine 2.61 ERA (earned run average).

The Penguins will however be bolstered by the return of some very capable pitchers in the persons of Dave Baker (3-0, 0.44 ERA), Lee Rudibaugh (1-1, 3.00), Glen Head (2-1, 0.81), Mark Schlarb (1-0, 1.86), Bob Mollerno (1-0, 3.37), Rick Coles (1-0, 1.68), Bob Haseley (2-0, 4.28) and Joe Scovelli.

Add to that two top freshmen prospects in George Vuckovich (New Castle) and Randy Cameron (Mineral Ridge) and you

should have another formidable YSU staff.

In the catching department YSU returns three seasoned veterans in Mike Nittoli (.333, 10 RBI), John Hogan (.250) and Mike Popio, along with freshmen Dean Bratz and Mike Moorhead.

"Mike Nittoli will probably get the edge because of his speed, strong arm and he is a long-ball hitter," stated Rosselli.

In the infield there will be a few changes, but not necessarily different people.

"In our infield we'll have not necessarily new people," explained Rosselli, "but the same people at new positions."

Firstbase, which was Dave Zeigler's domain last year, promises to be a battle between Don Hawkins (.391) and Don Gallagher, returning from last year, and freshman Jim Palante (Canfield.)

Secondbase will find John McAber as the only returner, challenged by a pair of freshmen in Mark Billy (Chaney) and Paul Danes (Niles) in an attempt to find a replacement for Andy Saxon, who graduated last year.

At shortstop Dave Zeigler will be moving over from firstbase, and will be backed-up by freshman George Lopuchovsky (Hubbard) and Dave Baker, when he's not on the mound. Zeigler, who led the team with five homers and 18 RBI last year, has always played the shortstop position prior to coming to YSU.

Of course, this it the same Dave Zeigler who, for two seasons, has been the scoring leader for the YSU men's basketball squad.

Thirdbase will feature the only incumbent as Scott Bass (.307, 13 RBI) returns to the Penguin line-up. Bass will be supported by freshman Bob Gardner, Jeff Weiling and pitcher George Vuckovich.

The outfield should present less of a problem. "All three are back, and it looks like all three will start," Rosselli said.

Leftfielder John Luklan, centerfielder Joe Iacobucci (.333, 10 RBI) and rightfielder Bill Hardy (.250, 10 stolen bases) will lead a plethora of outfielders, including returnee Doug Hunley (.384) and freshman Bob Gardner, Jerry Williams, Tony DeFelice, George Boone, Chris Cole, Kurt Clark and Mike Joslin.

Defensively, Rosselli expects a pretty good season. "The outfield will always be adequate, but there are some question marks in the infield after moving everybody around," the coach explained.

"We do have about five or six kids that can play different positions, and that's important when you are out of town and don't take as many kids with you," noted the YSU mentor.

With a 46-game schedule this season, the largest ever for YSU, Rosselli will be depending upon a great deal of cooperation from the weatherman.

"We are just looking forward to getting the baseball in the air, and hope the weather gives us a break so we can get going and get some games in," pondered Rosselli.

The season is scheduled to get underway this afternoon with YSU hosting Thiel College in a 1 p.m. single game.

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Softball season opens Wednesday

Defending state champs switch to fast-pitch

by Ron Anderson

When the YSU women's softball team takes the field for the first time this season, they will be bringing with them two straight Ohio state women's slow-pitch titles and nine out of last year's ten starters.

However two major problems face the team this season. First, head coach Pauline Noe, who led the squad to the two consecutive titles, will be sidelined the entire season because of illness. Noe's replacement has already been named in the person of Bill Wolf.

Wolf, a YSU graduate, is employed by the Canfield School system and will continue his duties there while working with the Penguin squad. Wolf played varsity basketball for YSU from 1959-63.

The problem which will have to resolve itself on the field this season is the women's transition to fast-pitch softball which is a world apart from slow-pitch.

Unlike slow-pitch, the fast-pitch ball is delivered at high speeds, batters are allowed to bunt, runners are permitted to steal bases and there are nine players to a side (as in baseball) as opposed to the ten-player slow-pitch teams.

"The team is a little apprehensive about the new style of game, which many of them have never played," related Noe.

In regards to a starting line-up

the Penguins will find fewer problems in fielding a strong, competitive team since 40 women tried out for the squad which has since been pared to 19 players.

Vicki Lawrence, who started at second base last season, has emerged as the best of the pitchers so far. "Vicki pitched in high school and seems to like this kind of game," said Noe. Sokora will be aided by freshman Debbie Garvin.

Linda Sokora returns to handle the catching duties and seems to be making the necessary adaptations to this new position. "She's made the statement to me that she really seems to like this kind of a game," said Noe. Sokora will be aided by freshman Debbie Garvin.

Firstbase will be a battle between returner Ronnie Prince and freshman Barb Nick.

With Lawrence moving to the mound, the secondbase position will be a contest between returning veterans Jill Harmon and Deniese Schwab and freshman Janet Shiley.

Kathy McIntyre, a transfer for Kent-Ashtabula, and freshman Patty Hahn will vie for the starting shortstop position left open by graduation.

At thirdbase, Lorrie Ceremuga returns for another season.

In the outfield all three of the starters are from last year's state champs in the persons of Linda Papagna, Shirley Barnett and

Donna Tinkey.

"We have a right to believe that our defense will be as strong as it has been in the past," stated Noe after reviewing the returners. YSU fans will agree since last year's team held their opponents to an average of about two runs per game, which is almost unheard of in slow-pitch.

Noe is also quick to point out that the squad will be facing opposition that is not only as tough as before, but mostly the same teams as before.

"Most of the teams we were

playing as slow-pitch teams are making the transition to fast-pitch," explained Noe.

Noe extends her gratitude to other members of the athletic staff, especially coach Joyce Ramsey, for their help during her illness.

"I have to give Miss Ramsey a lot of thanks and plaudits for taking over the team for the eight days I thought I would be off," explained Noe. "During that time she worked extensively with the bunt both offensively and defensively.

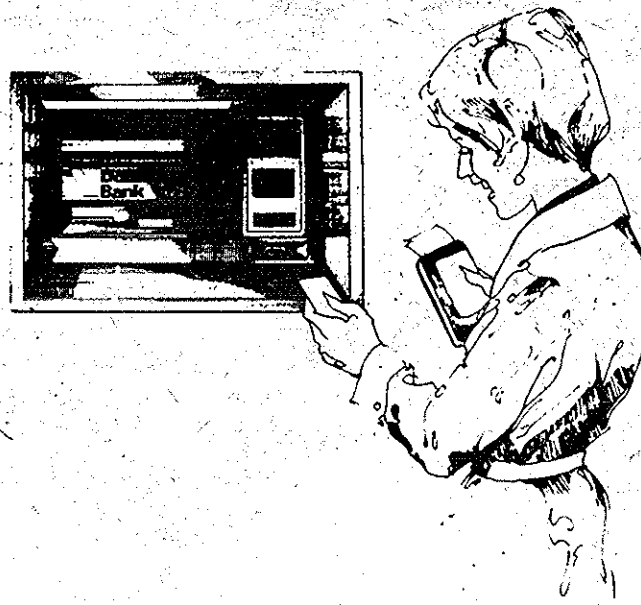
Noe says she hopes for continued support from the YSU students and fans.

"We certainly look forward to any of the support we can get from the student body," Noe said. "We hope to represent Youngstown State with as much sportsmanship, good will and ability as we have in the past."

What type of year does Noe see for her former squad?

"I strongly believe that this team has a great deal of talent, and while it might be a new type of game, the same old softball is still there," stated the successful coach.

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