

YSU students to present research on Capitol Hill

BY WENDY WOLFGANG

For the first time, a team of YSU students will present research at the exclusive Council for Undergraduate Research's "Posters on the Hill" event at the U.S. Capitol on April 19.



Students Dan Bole of Poland, Ginger Cartright of Niles and Nicole Danish of New Middletown will present their findings on a project called "Scientists to the Rescue: A Solution to a Water Conservation Problem," research that focused on finding an underground source for YSU's campus sprinkler system.

"It made me feel good that a project at YSU was accepted," said Bole, a senior in geology and the project's principal author. "It's a tribute to what the geology department has been working for."

CUR, a national organization that supports and promotes undergraduate student-faculty research and scholarship, accepts 60 poster presentations out of hundreds submitted by colleges and universities

YSU students Ginger Cartright, left, and Dan Bole drill a well along Fifth Avenue as part of a research project to find an underground water source for YSU's campus sprinkler system. The project has been selected for a national symposium on undergraduate research.

nationwide. At last year's event, schools such as The Citadel, Case Western Reserve University, Texas A&M University, Cornell and California State University-Bakersfield were selected.

The purpose of "Posters on the Hill" is to raise awareness of undergraduate research among lawmakers and to garner more support and funding for research projects.

"The event provides a powerful opportunity to show off an example of the high-caliber undergraduate research activity at YSU to senators and congressional representatives," said Jeff Dick, YSU coordinator of undergraduate research and an associate professor of geology.

Dick, who also coordinates Quest, YSU's annual forum for student scholarship, is serving as faculty advisor and will accompany the team to Washington D.C. "I think the project was accepted by CUR because, quite frankly, it's master's level work being done by undergraduates," he said.

Bole, Danish, a senior geography major, and Cartright, a master's student in environmental studies, will first present the research at Quest on April 5 in Kilcawley Center.

Now in its 16th year, Quest will feature 149 research projects by 292 students, vying for various prizes and awards, including the Dean's Quest Award, Outstanding Quest Presentation scholarships and two awards from each college and the graduate school.

Winners will be recognized at YSU Honors Convocation in April. The winning projects will also be used for the Academic Alliance Regional Symposium at Slippery Rock University on April 16.

The research that will be featured on Capitol Hill began in 2002 when the YSU grounds crew asked Dick about finding a water source on campus for the sprinkler system.

The team evaluated the suitability of a shallow aquifer as an alternative to city water, the university's current and only water source. The team drilled 10 shallow wells on the corner of Lincoln and Fifth avenues, near the Beeghly College of Education.

The results showed that the aquifer pumps a sufficient amount to meet the university lawn sprinkler demand. Dick said he plans to share the findings with the YSU grounds department. ■

YSU grad at the heart of March Madness

BY RON COLE

John Clougherty knows all about March Madness.

A 1968 graduate of YSU, Clougherty's 30-year career as a college basketball referee has put him at the center of some of the most

memorable basketball games in NCAA history.

He was in Lexington, Ky., in 1985 when Rollie Massimino's Villanova Wildcats beat the Georgetown Hoyas, led by Patrick Ewing, for the NCAA basketball championship in one of the most historic upsets in college basketball history.

He was on the floor in the Seattle Kingdome in 1989 when Michigan beat Seton

Hall, the first overtime in an NCAA final game in 26 years.

And he was in Indianapolis in the 1991 NCAA semi-finals when Mike Krzyzewski's Duke Blue Devils upset the seemingly unbeatable UNLV Rebels of coach Jerry Tarkinian.

"It has been an incredible run," Clougherty, 61, said from his home in Raleigh, N.C.

In all, Clougherty has refereed in 12 Final Fours and four NCAA championship games. In 1989, he received the James A. Naismith Award as the nation's most outstanding collegiate basketball official. He was in Oklahoma City to referee games in the first round of this year's NCAA tournament, and then travelled to Albuquerque, N.M., for second round games.

And to think it all started at YSU.

A native of suburban Pittsburgh, Clougherty transferred to then Youngstown University in 1964 from Michigan State University. In a course taught by YSU Hall of Fame golf coach Bill Carson, Clougherty learned about officiating basketball and started officiating YSU intramural games for \$3 a game.

After graduating from YSU in 1968 with a bachelor's degree in health/physical education, he earned a master's degree in education from Kent State University. He then accepted a teaching job at Wake Forest University in

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YSU graduate John Clougherty, whose 30-year career as a college basketball referee has put him at the center of some of the most memorable basketball games in NCAA history, got his start officiating intramural games at YSU.

Campus plan features new business building, more labs, improved student center

BY RON COLE

YSU officials are meeting with students, faculty, staff and community members over the next several weeks to outline a new plan that calls for major changes in the physical design of the campus leading up to and beyond the university's centennial birthday in 2008.

Hunter Morrison, director of the YSU Center for Urban and Regional Studies, said the Centennial Campus Master Plan sets out a general framework for the long-term development of the campus area.

"As it celebrates its 100th year, the university needs to think about the next hundred years," Morrison said.

That means planning for the university's future academic space, campus entranceways, student life, parking and connections between the campus and the community, he said.

"This is a sweeping, well-integrated and unprecedented plan," Tom Shipka, chair of YSU's Academic Senate, said

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Master's in American Studies features community component

Editor's note: The Ohio Board of Regents recently approved three new master's degrees for YSU. This week, we feature the new program in American Studies.

BY KAREN SCHUBERT

YSU's master's degree in American Studies has the community at heart.

The new program, which begins this fall semester, includes a thesis project that will have students working on various community projects, from designing an exhibit for a local

museum to writing a grant application for a local non-profit organization.

"It will have a research, scholarly component, but it doesn't stop there," said Stephanie Tingley, English professor and director of the

new program. "We also want to connect to the campus and to the community."

YSU currently offers an undergraduate degree in American Studies, an emerging discipline which is generally defined as the exploration of the literature, art, pop culture, history and ideas about the culture and social institutions in America.

The new, 36-credit master's program includes a mix of existing classes from eight university departments, including classes in English, sociology, political science, fine arts and education. Each student chooses a focus area from one of four broad domains – cultural studies, American history, working-class studies and public history.

Tingley said she likes the interdisciplinary nature of the program. "That's what's fun for me," she said. "I like stepping out of my box, learning something new."

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Stephanie Tingley

Know when to hold'em...

Josh Susany of Boardman, a YSU freshman, shuffles the deck during a Texas Hold'em poker tournament March 2 in Peaberry's Café in Kilcawley Center. Susany, a business major, competed against 108 other YSU students and won the top prize, a \$1,000 gift certificate from Pan Atlas Travel. The tournament was co-sponsored by Campus Recreation & Intramural Sports and the Student Activities Office.



Byline

'We need help,' YSU student tells state lawmakers



*Bob McGovern
Vice President of Financial Affairs
YSU Student Government Association*

Bob McGovern of Boardman, vice president of financial affairs for the YSU Student Government Association, was part of a delegation of YSU students that spent a portion of spring break in Colum-

bus, lobbying lawmakers to support higher education. McGovern, 21, a junior political science major, testified before the House of Representative's Finance and Appropriations Committee. Here is a condensed version of that testimony:

The interests of college students are very much under-represented not only at the state-level, but at the federal level as well. Perhaps that is because you do not hear from people like me very often. I'm not here to tell you to simply give us more money, no questions asked. I'm not here to tell you that we do not care about the other items on the budget, like Medicare or K-12 education. I'm here to tell you that we, the students at Ohio's several state universities, need help.

Instead of reiterating the problem we all know exists, I would like to spend the rest of my time discussing what you as lawmakers can do about the problem. On March 7th, a resolution was approved through YSU Student Government Association, which you should also be receiving. In it, we make recommendations to the General Assembly, which I would like to explain.

A half-percent increase over fiscal 2005 in SSI, the Access Challenge, and Success Challenge would provide Youngstown State University, one of the hardest hit universities based on Governor Taft's budget, with an estimated \$400,000 more than in his proposal. It wouldn't end the tuition hikes, but it would be something.

What really needs to happen is that this legislature needs to appropriate the funding necessary for an Auditor of State's investigation into the universities' spending habits. Too often, I hear YSU officials placing the blame on the state, only to find a state that views YSU's and other universities' spending as excessive.

Students, university officials, and the state government are all responsible parties here. By having the universities open themselves up to an investigation would show that they are willing to find more responsible ways of spending money. The state would be demonstrating its commitment to higher education. And the students would see those responsible for giving them educational resources working together for a common goal.

In fact, Youngstown State University invited the Auditor of State's office to perform an audit in 2001. It culminated with over 150 recommendations, most of which were adopted. I am to understand that no other state university has followed suit. While YSU has been one of the hardest hit universities since that year, it remains the most affordable institution of its kind in the state that does not receive a line-item subsidy.

Anymore, however, "affordable" is only a relative term. We need help. This committee must not turn a blind eye to the students of the state of Ohio, or to this issue. I ask that you take us seriously. Our interest – the future of this state – depends on you, and it is in your power to make that future better. ■

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Campus News Roundup

Students vie to paint the "Last Penguin Standing"

YSU students can participate in the Penguin Parade public arts project through the "Last Penguin Standing Contest."

One of the five-foot-tall, fiberglass penguin statues used in last year's arts project remains unpainted. "It's been hiding in Kilcawley Center," joked Lynn Haug, Kilcawley's retail operations manager.

Kilcawley Center is leading a contest to find a student or a group of students to artistically transform the penguin into a work of art that will be displayed in Kilcawley Center.

The contest is open to all students enrolled at YSU in the spring semester. Application deadline is April 15. The winner will be notified the week of May 2. When the penguin is completed, the winner will receive \$1,000.

The application and further details are available at www.kc.ysu.edu or by calling Haug at 330-941-3574.

Penguin Parade was a public arts project that debuted on the YSU campus in July 2004. Thirty penguin sculptures, colorfully-decorated by local artists, were then placed at public locations throughout

Mahoning and Trumbull counties. In October the penguins were auctioned to the highest bidders for nearly \$200,000 to benefit YSU's SMARTS program, YSU McDonough Museum of Art and organizations supported by the Community Foundation of the Mahoning Valley's endowments. ■



Mind your manners... *Lama Moamar of Liberty, a YSU freshman in the pre-business management program, and Gary Soukenik, director of the Seven Seventeen Credit Union, eat during the second annual Etiquette Lunch sponsored by the YSU student chapter of the American Marketing Association. The lunch on March 9 in Kilcawley Center was attended by more than 110 students, business professionals and YSU faculty and staff.*



Spring Fling... *Sarah Wakefield of Youngstown, a YSU junior majoring in economics and sociology, models during the Spring Fling fashion show March 7 in Peaberry's Café on campus. The show was presented by students in YSU's fashion merchandising program. Students who planned and coordinated the event were junior Ashley Heck of Poland, junior Jessica Plutt of Mentor, sophomore Emily Baumgartner of Niles and sophomore Jen Griffing of Niles.*

Andrew Young lectures April 20 in Kilcawley

Andrew Young, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, speaks Wednesday, April 20 in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center.

Young, who also has served in the U.S. House of Representatives and as mayor of Atlanta, is appearing at YSU as part of the Paul J. and Marguerite K. Thomas Colloquium on Free Enterprise. The lecture is free and open to the public.

An ordained minister, Young was a top aide to Martin Luther King Jr. during the civil rights movement. He currently is chair of GoodWorks International, an Atlanta-based consulting firm that specializes in business and leadership strategies in a global economy. He also is a public affairs professor at Georgia State University's Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. ■



Andrew Young

Ext. 2222 provides info on campus operations

The YSU Office of Telephone Services has launched a new number – 330-941-2222 – for students, faculty, staff and others to obtain information on conditions that may impact campus operations, such as inclement weather.

Faculty, staff and students should call Extension 2222 to obtain information on the impact of conditions such as weather upon university operations and class schedules.

If additional information is needed, YSU's general information number at 330-941-3000 can be used.

For more information, call Debbie Lowe in the Office of Marketing and Communications at 330-941-3519. ■

Greek Sing mixes country/Disney on April 9

About 300 YSU fraternity and sorority members will flex their vocal chords in the 53rd Annual Greek Sing competition 6 p.m. Saturday, April 9 in Stambaugh Auditorium.

The event is free and open to the public. This year's

theme is "Country and Western" for the sororities and "Disney" for the fraternities, with open class competition also slated. For more information, contact the Student Activities Office at 330-941-3575. ■

Faculty/ Staff

Awards and Honors

Dan O'Connell, associate director, Athletics, served as grand marshal of the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Boardman on March 13. O'Connell is active in Irish organizations, currently serving as president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Mahoning County Division, and vice president of the Ohio AOH. He also serves on the J. Ford Crandall Memorial Foundation and the Van Sickle Memorial Foundation For-R-Kids.

"Theater," a poem by **William Greenway**, professor, English, was read by Garrison Keillor on "Writer's Almanac" during NPR's "Morning Edition." Keillor, who reads a poem every day on the national show, is also host of the weekly public radio program, "Prairie Home Companion," both broadcast by WYSU-FM. Greenway's poem, "Theater," is part of his recently published book, "Fishing at the End of the World." Keillor announced that he plans to include Greenway's poem in his new anthology, "Good Poems For Hard Times," due out in 2006. To hear Keillor read "Theater," visit <http://writersalmanac.publicradio.org/docs/2005/02/28/#wednesday>.

Gabriel Palmer Fernandez, professor, Philosophy and Religious Studies, and director, Dr. James Dale Ethics Center, was appointed a Fellow of the Committee for the Scientific Examination of Religion of the Council for Secular Humanism and was re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum.

Presentations

Amy Graban Crawford, assistant professor, Communication and Theater, presented "Buffy the Vampire Slayer as Reluctant Hero: A Symbolic Interactionist Approach to the Construction of Self" at The Society for Interdisciplinary Study of Social Imagery Conference in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Silvio dos Santos, assistant professor, Dana School of Music, presented "Androgyny and Metaphysical Redemption in Alban Berg's Lulu" as part of the University of Pittsburgh Colloquium Series. The same paper was accepted for publication by the International Congress on Music and Cultural Identity at the Institute for Musicology in Weimar, Germany.

Professional Activities

Susan Russo, professor, Art, recently served on two evaluation teams for the National Association of Schools of Art and Design, evaluating art departments at Mt. Ida College in Boston, Mass., and Appalachian State University in Boone, N.C. She also directed a workshop to train new NASAD evaluators.

Publications

John Dalbec, software specialist 2, Computer Services, published "Initial Simplicial Complexes of Prime Ideals" in the April 1, 2005 *Journal of Algebra*. The article is available online from the OhioLink Electronic Journal Center at <http://journals.ohiolink.edu:20080/cgi-bin/sciserv.pl?>

Sheen Lui, assistant professor, and **Peter Woodlock**, professor and chair, both of Accounting and Finance, co-authored "Altering the Financial Incentives to Improve Shareholder Value: The Impact of CEO Base Salaries and CEO Tenure" in the *Journal of Financial & Economic Practices*.

Jeffrey A. Smiley, associate professor, Chemistry, co-authored the paper "A Novel Enzyme Complex between Orotate Phosphoribosyltransferase and Orotidine 5' Monophosphate Decarboxylase in Human Malaria Parasite *Plasmodium falciparum*: Physical Association, Kinetics and Inhibition Characterization" in the Feb. 8 issue of *Biochemistry*. The article was co-authored by scientists from Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand, and Osaka University in Japan. Former YSU graduate student Brian DeFraino also assisted in writing the paper. ■

Prof's book focuses on New Jerusalem

BY KAREN SCHUBERT

Craig Campbell, professor and chair of geography at YSU, has turned a personal interest into a scholarly quest.

A member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints since he was 17, Campbell has just published an academic book on a particular, and not often studied, piece of Mormon geography.

The 464-page book focuses on the belief by most Mormons that Independence, Mo., is the Jerusalem of the New World and will be the site of the second coming of Jesus Christ.

The book is titled "Images of the New Jerusalem: Latter Day Saint Faction Interpretations of Independence, Missouri" and was published in September by University of Tennessee Press.

The Latter Day Saint Movement was founded by Joseph Smith in western New York in 1830. Smith, his wife and a few followers first moved to Kirtland, Ohio, just east of Cleveland, and then in 1831 moved to the area that is now Independence, Mo., a town about 15 miles east of Kansas City, Mo.

While there, Smith believed he received a revelation from God telling him that, since this pastoral spot was the center of the United States, it would be the New Jerusalem, site of Christ's second coming.

The idea of a central location was important, Campbell said. Old Jerusalem, in the Middle East, was the center of the old world, and it was felt that New Jerusalem would be at the center of the new world.

Smith led a dedication in a wooded lot in Independence that today is considered a sacred

site. It is located a short distance from President Harry Truman's boyhood home.

Eventually the Latter Day Saints were driven out of Independence because of conflicts with other Missouri residents.

"They had practices that set them apart," Campbell said. They were a utopian communal organization with intense ideals and anti-slavery beliefs, and they zealously bought and settled the land, Campbell said. They were also proselytizing and gaining converts from all over the world, he said.

"So the native Missourians got kind of scared," he added.

Smith and the Latter Day Saints left Missouri and settled in Nauvoo, Ill. In 1844, while running for president of the United States on an anti-slavery platform, Smith was killed, making him the first candidate to be assassinated during a U.S. presidential campaign.

After Smith's death, most Latter Day Saints moved to Utah, but some stayed in the Midwest. The adherents that stayed splintered into several groups. "So there is a family of churches, and all the groups have different views about the past, present and future of New Jerusalem," he said.

In the book, Campbell describes each group's perspective on New Jerusalem location and doctrine.

Today, the different factions of Latter Day Saints still hold differing views about how much land should be set aside for a second coming, when it will take place, and what role each particular church will play in the event and times to follow.



Craig Campbell



The Church of Christ Temple Lot, a small church of about 3,000 members, owns the most sacred site, where Smith's dedication took place.

"This place has developed many of the attributes of some of the sacred sites of the Eastern World – not the depth of a Jerusalem that has had hundreds of thousands of years to develop – but this site has been able to develop many of the attributes in a very short time," Campbell said.

Today, there are 12 million members worldwide in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, including 5 million in the United States, mostly in the West. The Reorganized Latter Day Saints, centered in Independence, Mo., includes about 225,000 individuals. There also are a number of other churches historically rooted in Smith's beginnings. ■



Ghosts, martians, etc.

Haunted houses, aliens and spontaneous combustion were among the topics that Joe Nickell, senior research fellow of the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal, debunked during a lecture March 10 in Kilcawley Center. The talk, part of the Shipka Lecture series, was titled "My Adventures with the Paranormal and Miracles." ■



Fire! Actress Paula Jasper portrayed a survivor of the deadly 1911 fire at the Triangle Shirt Factory in New York during a one-woman performance of "Fire" in Kilcawley Center on March 8. The fire, which killed 146 workers, had a significant impact on labor legislation conditions in the United States. The presentation was sponsored in part by the YSU Diversity Council and Williamson College of Business Administration.

The end of an era...

The academic year 2004-05 marks the end of an era for YSU: 23 full-time faculty members, with a combined 721 years of service, will retire. Of those, 17 have 30 years or more of service. YSUupdate is featuring some of the retirees.

Professor and Chair, Geology Charles Singler

Year Hired: 1969

Education: City College of New York, BS, 1963; University of Nebraska, MS, 1965 and Ph.D., 1969.

Thoughts about YSU and YSU students? What I've enjoyed the most during my years at YSU is the interchange between students and faculty. I find YSU students to be hungry for knowledge and with a strong desire for education. My experiences here have been rewarding, and I hope my contributions have found their mark.

Retirement plans? I plan on continuing to teach at YSU. I am happy about that because my first love is being in the classroom.



Professor and Chair, Psychology James C. Morrison

Year Hired: 1970

Education: University of Oregon, BA, 1961; University of Tennessee, MA, 1964, and Michigan State University, Ph.D., 1970.

Previous positions: NIH fellow at Albion College and research associate, Division of Organizational Research, Michigan State University.

YSU service: Chair of psychology department since 1976 and chair of YSU Academic Senate for seven years.

Thoughts about YSU students? I always liked former Provost Jim Scanlon's line that we didn't have "bluebloods" – our students are red blooded.

Retirement plans? If I gain extended teaching status, I will continue to teach at YSU. ■



YSU athletes score well above average on NCAA rating

BY RON COLE

YSU's student athletes score well above average in a new assessment of the academic success of the nation's college sports programs.

YSU posted a composite Academic Progress Rate of 953 in the report released this week by the National Collegiate Athletic Association, above the 938 average for public universities nationwide and above the scores of several other Ohio universities.

"We have worked hard to ensure that our athletes are successful both in the classroom and on the playing field," said Ron Strollo, YSU executive director of intercollegiate athletics.

"Our academic advisors and our coaches do a good job sending the right messages and providing the needed support that result in an overall positive and successful academic experience for our athletes."

The NCAA report ranks each university on a scale of 1 to 1,000 based on a complicated formula that measures how many athletes are staying in school and making adequate progress toward their degrees. Teams with an Academic Progress Rate of less than 925 for two years could lose scholarships and face other penalties.

Of the 328 institutions included in the

report, YSU ranks 149th, according to data in *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. Yale University received the highest rate of 999, while Texas Southern University posted the lowest score of 839.

YSU's 953 rate compared well to other public institutions in Ohio, topping Toledo (916), Cincinnati (929), Ohio State (938), Ohio University (951) and Cleveland State (952). Miami University posted the highest score in Ohio at 986.

The report also provided individual scores for each of the university's sports teams. Strollo said YSU's score for football was the highest in the eight-team Gateway Football Conference.

The rating is the latest recognition of YSU's academic success in intercollegiate athletics. In 2003 and 2004, the university received USA Today/NCAA Foundation Academic Achievement Awards for its high student-athlete graduation rate.

For more information on the report, visit <http://www2.ncaa.org/>. ■

Measuring up...

YSU posted a composite Academic Progress Rate of 953 in a new NCAA report measuring the academic success of college athletes. Here is how other Ohio universities fared. ("Rank" indicates where each school stands among the 328 institutions nationwide):

Rank	Institution	Academic Progress Rate
16	Miami Univ.	986
137	Bowling Green State	956
143	Wright State	955
149	Univ. of Akron	953
149	YSU	953
157	Cleveland State	952
163	Ohio Univ.	951
198	Kent State	941
208	Ohio State	938
247	Univ. of Cincinnati	929
283	Univ. of Toledo	916

Campus plan (Continued from page 1)

at a presentation of the plan to the Administrative Advisory Council on March 15.

The framework of the plan, approved by the Board of Trustees on March 18, includes five major projects:

- Construction of a new building for the Williamson College of Business Administration. Although a location has not been determined, planners are leaning toward a site that "bridges the gap between campus and the downtown," said David Reed, a senior urban designer with Urban Design Center of Northeast Ohio, which is helping to develop the campus plan. Williamson Hall on Lincoln Avenue, built in 1970, is the current home of the business college.
- Expanding Ward Beecher and Moser halls to include more laboratory space for sciences and engineering. The two buildings also would be connected by a bridge, creating a linked series of campus academic buildings (Ward Beecher, Moser and Cushwa) along Lincoln Avenue.
- Major renovations to Kilcawley Center, including improved entrances to the building and an atrium that will make the facility more student-friendly.
- Improving the entranceways to campus, including upgrades to University Plaza, which will become the university's primary entrance, and to the bridges over the Madison Avenue Expressway that lead into campus.
- Reconfiguring the inner core of campus, currently featuring a series of landscaped mounds, into a "great lawn" that "allows people to see across and move across the campus core," Reed said.

In addition to the five projects, the plan provides a long-term framework for future housing, student life, parking, classroom buildings, the School of Graduate Studies and Research and other development on campus, Morrison said. The plan has sparked development discussions with other institutions adjacent to campus, including St. Elizabeth Health Center, Ursuline High School, YWCA and the Catholic Diocese of Youngstown.

"It sets the stage for the future development of the entire North Side," Trustee Millicent Counts said.

Morrison also noted that the campus plan is being developed in conjunction with other planning efforts, including Youngstown 2010 and Wick Neighbors.

Trustee Donald Cagigas said the plan is "very impressive," but he questioned how much it will cost and how it will be funded.

The exact price tag of the plan is still being developed, Morrison said.

President David C. Sweet said the university will use a combination of private donations and federal and state capital funds, as well as possibly borrowing funds for the projects.

Trustee William Bresnahan noted that endorsing the framework is a vote supporting the overall concept of the plan and does not authorize any specific project. "There's much to be done on this," he said.

After meeting with campus and community groups, Morrison said he and Reed will develop a formal, written master plan, which could be presented to trustees for approval later this year. Then, YSU will move forward with specifics on each of the five major projects, including funding, property acquisition and design. ■

American Studies (Continued from page 1)

The program begins with an introductory course, and then students choose either a "teaching track" or a "public practice track."

Courses in each track encompass a wide range of subjects, including teaching, anthropology, art, film, history, working-class studies, museum curation and program planning.

The program will be crafted for each student, Tingley said. "One of the strengths is the flexibility," she added.

Although there are other master's programs in American Studies in the United States, the community experience component makes YSU's program unique in the region, Tingley said.

In collaboration with YSU faculty, the community projects will be overseen by a committee of individuals that represent organizations such as the Butler Institute of American

Art, the Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County, the YSU Center for Urban and Regional Studies, and Youngstown 2010.

Tingley said the program is currently accepting students for fall 2005. Within three years, Tingley hopes the program has eight full-time students and 15 to 20 part-time students.

The next step is to make the program known. "We're bombarding the universe with our flyer," she said.

Prospective students include area teachers working in the field of language arts or social studies, undergraduates nationwide who are planning continued study, and other working professionals who need academic credit and come with a lot of real world experience, Tingley said.

For more information, contact Tingley at 330-941-3404 or satingley@ysu.edu. ■



Tennessee rock Award-winning singer-songwriter Jennifer Daniels recently brought her Tennessee folk rock to Peaberry's in Kilcawley Center. *FMOdyssey*, a nationally-syndicated radio show, recently awarded Daniels the Album of the Year award and named her as Best New Female Artist.

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Winston Salem, N.C., where he got a license to officiate high school games.

In 1973, he moved into the college ranks, and two years later started working games in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Since then, he has officiated 70 to 80 games a year in nearly all of the nation's major college basketball conferences, including the ACC, Southeastern Conference, the Big East, Big 12, Atlantic 10 and Conference USA.

"It's a blast," said Clougherty, who also owns a Honig's store in North Carolina, which sells supplies for sports officials.

In his three decades wearing the stripes, Clougherty has shared the hardwood with some

of the game's best players, including Michael Jordan ("The best overall, all-round player I have seen."), Akeem Olajuwon ("The best big guy. He was better than Ewing and Ralph Sampson.") and Shaquille O'Neal ("A man among boys").

"It's much harder now officiating a game," he said. "At one time, it was more of an open, free-running game. Today, you have more physical, stronger kids. Every team wants to win the game in the weight room now."

Keys to being a good referee? "There's no substitute for experience, but you have to have good instincts and good reaction time," he said. "This game is too fast. If you have to think too much, the game will run right by you." ■