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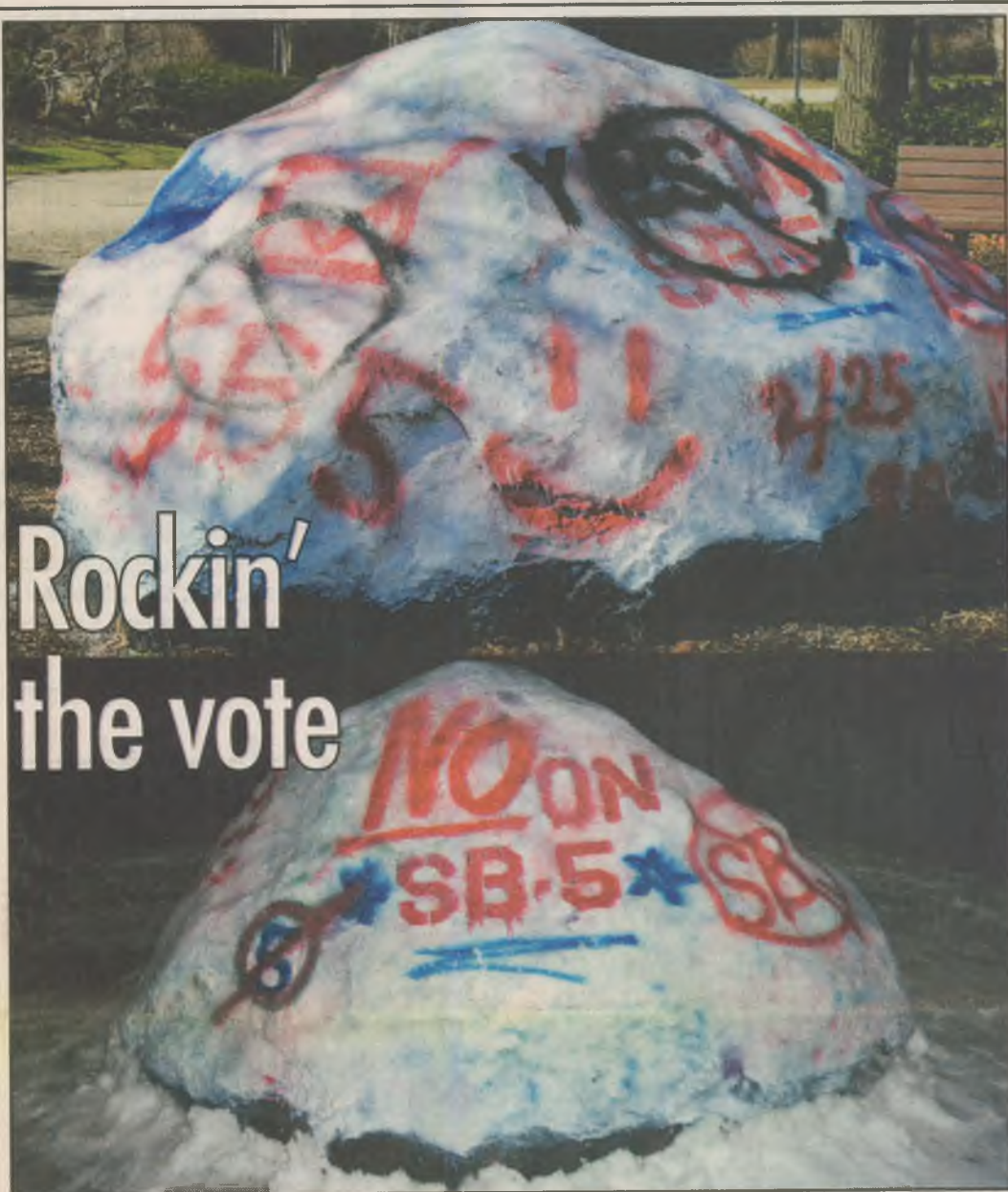
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## Rockin' the vote

Last week, a member of the Student Government Association painted pro-Gov. John Kasich and pro-Senate Bill 5 sentiments on the YSU rock, as shown above. Less than a day later, other SGA members added opposing comments. (TOP) Photo by Marissa McIntyre/The Jambar. (BOTTOM) Photo courtesy of SGA.

Marissa McIntyre  
REPORTER

Three days after hundreds of protestors flooded Kilcawley Center in protest of Senate Bill 5, Youngstown State University's campus rock became a center for the political battle, perpetuated by students.

Labeled by Democrats as a union buster and by Republicans as a fiscal necessity, the collective bargaining issue dripped paint from both sides, splitting YSU's famous rock along a political fissure.

On Feb. 24, a member of the Student Government Association painted pro-Gov. John Kasich and pro-SB 5 statements on the campus-core rock. About 22 hours later, oth-

er SGA members rebutted, adding the phrase "no on" before the existing SB 5 comments.

"Just so we're clear, yes, I painted the rock," Evan Beil said in an e-mail.

Beil, a member of SGA, was responsible for the remarks in favor of SB 5, which passed in the Ohio Senate on Wednesday afternoon by a narrow 17-16 vote.

A YSU tradition, the campus rock has been painted over for a variety of promotional campaigns with student organizations.

"The rock symbolizes decades of students promoting their ideas, messages and organization. I find it a very effective tool. As this story shows, people notice," Beil said.

Though SGA was torn on SB 5, Beil and the members in opposition agreed on one

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## Academic Senate passes resolution opposing SB 5

Andrea DeMart  
NEWS EDITOR

The Youngstown State University Academic Senate met Wednesday afternoon under a tense atmosphere due to Senate Bill 5.

The committee opened the discussion on a resolution opposing SB 5.

According to the resolution, the Academic Senate "strongly opposes Ohio Senate Bill 5 and strongly affirms the right of collective bargaining for faculty and staff and urges the governor and legislature to work with, not against, the faculty and staff of Ohio's universities."

An amendment added to SB 5 early Wednesday states:

"Any faculty who, individually or through a faculty senate or like organization, participate in the governance of the institution, are involved in personnel decisions, selection or review of administrators, planning and use of physical resources, budget preparation and determination of educational policies related to admissions, curriculum, subject matter and methods of instruction and research are management level employees."

This amendment essentially takes away the collective bargaining rights of those who hold positions in organizations such as Academic Senate.

"In essence, if you have a faculty senate, that may mean there won't be any bargain-

ing," said John Russo, coordinator of the labor studies program and co-director of the Center for Working-Class Studies. "Now that can be contested that they really have what's called functional authority to make decisions."

He said you can't eliminate the Senate because it is covered under board [of trustee] policy, but there can be massive resignations of the senators in order to preserve their rights to bargain.

Chet Cooper, chairman for Academic Senate, said he is not sure if there would be mass resignations at YSU, but the language of the amendment is broad, not specifying the exact organizations that would be affected.

"Therefore it's basically, in my opinion, an attack not only upon the union, but it's also essentially an attack upon the tradition of tenure," Cooper said.

He said he interprets the amendment to include all faculty, no matter their positions.

Shortly after the Senate meeting adjourned, SB 5 passed in the Ohio Senate with a 17-16 vote.

"The faculty's angry," Russo said. "They feel it's a real betrayal especially by the Inter-University Council which is headed by the president of [the University of] Toledo, who was the person that testified in favor of this resolution."

He said YSU could be at a large disadvantage from the passage of SB 5.

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## Board approves architecture firm for new fields

Joe Giesy  
NEWS EDITOR

New athletic fields will greet students coming to Youngstown State University from U.S. Route 422 or Fifth Avenue within a few years.

The YSU athletics department wants to put a soccer field, softball field and tennis courts in the empty lots off Fifth Avenue, behind McDonald's. There are also talks of a new track and pits for field events.

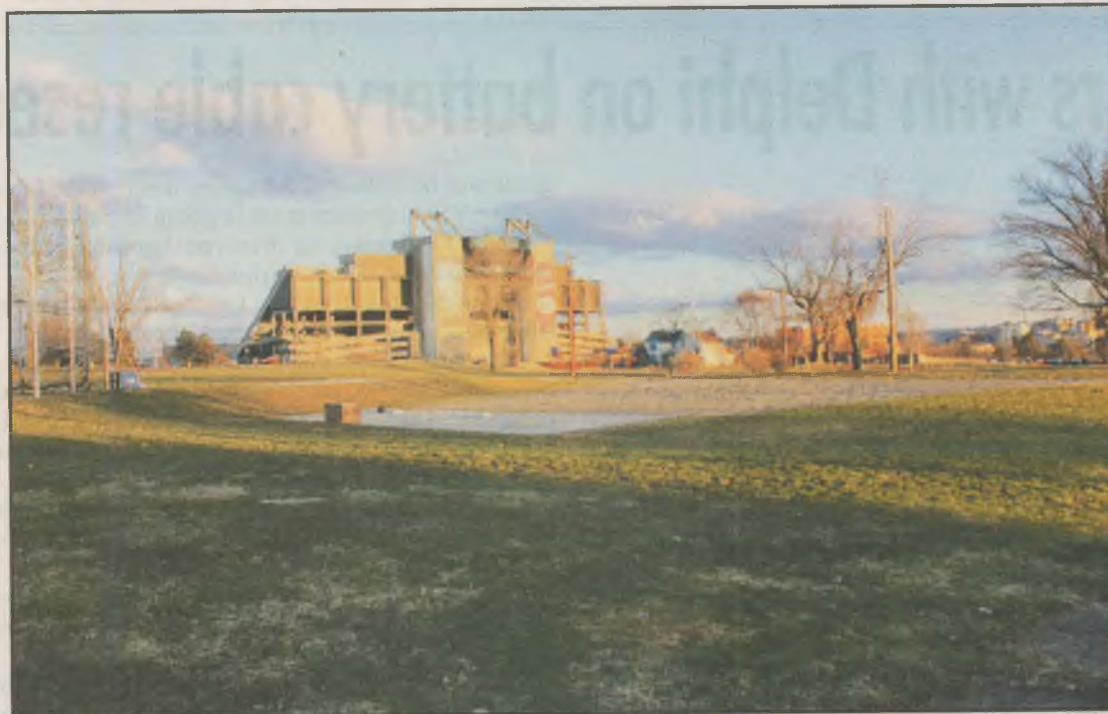
Relocating the soccer and softball fields are the top priorities of the project because of a crown on the football field — where the soccer team plays — that is not ideal for soccer and the softball field's off-campus location in Canfield, said Matt Morrone, YSU athletics business manager.

Morrone said a baseball field would not be possible in the project area because of space constraints. The baseball team plays at Eastwood

Field in Niles and Bob Cene Park in Struthers.

Morrone said they also hope to get some intramural fields in the location.

More information about the field design and location will be available after the lead architecture firm, GPD Group, and YSU negotiate a contract



The vacant field off Fifth Avenue will potentially house soccer and softball fields in a few years. The board of trustees hopes these fields will be an attractive gateway to campus. Photo by Joe Giesy/The Jambar.

that lists what services will be expected of GPD.

The board of trustees voted to hire GPD to design and oversee construction of the new fields after a presentation by three architecture firms at Tuesday's finance and facilities subcommittee meeting.

Before construction can begin, the next step is GPD's scope proposal submission that would say what they could do with the budget and area provided by YSU.

"The latest we would get a start is next summer," said Rich White, associate director of planning and construction at YSU.

Morrone and White were on a committee comprised of six people from the facilities and athletics departments that fielded about a dozen submissions for the project, interviewed six of the applicants, then proposed three to the board for presentations.

Denny Stoiber, GPD's principal of the YSU athletic fields project, said a contract should be laid out within

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## Campus organizations use Facebook to keep connected

James Ciccolelli  
REPORTER

Students at Youngstown State University are finding new ways to keep in touch with each other and the university without running up their phone bills.

"Facebook works out well," said Joy Polkabra-Byers, assistant director of programs and special events. "We use it in regards to marketing with our programs. Usually, we try to follow trends of the site's users."

Penguin Productions has recently been using Facebook to post about on-campus contests and events.

"If not too many people have been checking out our page, we might post something like a new fun event or a random contest," Polkabra-Byers said. "If students are liking the page, we'll use it to post pictures of our events."

She said during the fall semester, Penguin Productions held a contest to get as many people as possible to "like" the organization's Facebook page.

"We picked a number, for instance 92, and the 92nd person to like our page won a free Nintendo Wii," Polkabra said.



Mark Zuckerberg, founder of Facebook, speaks on the opening day of the Web 2.0 Conference at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, California, in October 2007. Zuckerberg, now 26, is growing into his CEO role. (David M. Barreda/San Jose Mercury News/MCT)

"Students enjoy that kind of thing."

Sophomore Chelsea Marrie said Facebook is simple to use and easy to figure out.

"I mostly use Facebook just to see what my friends are up to," she said. "It's pretty effective because it's so simple to use. It makes it a lot easier to talk to people. However, I

don't like that there are constant changes to the site because they become hard to keep up with."

Carrie Anderson, coordinator of programs and marketing for Campus Recreation and Student Programming, said using Facebook gives organizations a better opportunity to get their information out there.

"It works well to reach people who don't always check their YSU portal or other e-mails," she said. "Fraternalties and sororities are using them to post their various events and to let students know what's going on."

Kasanya Smith, president of Zeta Phi Beta sorority, said

Facebook is the most prominent way to communicate nowadays.

"Facebook is how we get things around. Everybody uses Facebook," she said. "People just throw fliers away, and they don't really work as a constant reminder like a Facebook status."

Michael Koziorynsky, treasurer for Greek Life and vice president of the Alpha Phi Delta fraternity, said Facebook is a great tool to use to keep connected.

"These days, a lot of people have smart phones that they can receive all sorts of Facebook notifications on, so it's nice to be able to send out important dates and information, knowing that your recipient is going to get it," he said. "When we post about a get-together for the evening, people come."

James Mszanski, president of the Sigma Chi fraternity, said he uses Facebook to post events.

"We'll also use Facebook to communicate with the other fraternities and sororities," he said. "A lot more people actually respond, and it's better as opposed to waiting for a text or phone call."

## Local counselor shares tips for dealing with shooting

Kacy Standohar  
REPORTER

Three weeks after the off-campus shooting that took the life of senior Jamail Johnson and injured 11 others, campus life has slowly revived itself.

However, Catherine Grizinski, associate director and chief clinical officer of the Help Hotline Crisis Center on Fifth Avenue, said the center received quite a few calls from students but also from "others in the community who were concerned, shocked and saddened," Grizinski said.

Grizinski has been working in the counseling profession for 40 years, and she has worked in Youngstown for 35 of them. She said the Help Hotline Crisis Center is an anonymous and confidential business.

Grizinski said the shooting's timing was horrible.

"It was around the time of the Super Bowl and then shortly after was Valentine's Day. While Valentine's Day is a happy and love-filled holiday, some students may not have felt that happiness or that love," Grizinski said.

She said shock usually wears off after a couple of weeks.

"Many students and staff members addressed the tragedy early on and discussed it that entire week."

-Catherine Grizinski

"There is usually a two-week period, and then acute depression sets in. At first, some people remain on autopilot. Later, look for signs of sleep deprivation, unfocused mind, missing class or work, calling off sick, and/or not coming out on the weekends," Grizinski said.

Grizinski said even those who weren't personally attached to the tragedy could be affected.

"Even people not directly involved in the shooting may experience grief because of a recent loss or tragedy within their own family or friends. Incidents like these may pull one back into that grief they experienced before," Grizinski said.

Grizinski said she believes grief should be handled in the classroom and on campus in a certain way.

"Many students and staff members addressed the tragedy early on and discussed it that entire week. Classes that don't pertain to arts, painting

## Campus Connection

How were you affected by the recent off-campus shooting?



"I planned on joining a fraternity, but after the shooting I became more reluctant."

NacDaniel Flanigan, freshman



"A couple days after the shooting, I was more afraid but not anymore."

Tim Hess, freshman



"I think personally for me, since I knew people, it's kind of a sketchy subject. You have to keep pushing forward and moving positive and hope it doesn't happen again."

Taylor Mahone, sophomore

or writing (to honor Jamail in some form of art) should probably start moving on," she said.

She added that a combination of signs shows grief, and that teachers should look for their students often missing classes and not turning in assignments.

"These are usually students that usually never miss

class and are always prompt with their school work. Teachers should look for a gradual change," Grizinski said.

Students shared their thoughts of how the shooting has affected their focus in the classroom.

"It was very sad for everyone involved in Greek Life and everyone on campus in general, but life is returning back to

normal now," said Chris Day, a freshman and member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity.

"Our professors are discussing the tragedy less and less in my classes," said student Bre Machingo. "Life is so beautiful and great, but terrible things do happen. It is important to eventually get back on track in this world."

## STEM partners with Delphi on battery cable research project

Marissa McIntyre  
REPORTER

The Youngstown State University College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics is joining forces with Delphi on an aluminum battery cable research project.

Michael Hripko, director of STEM, has been working with Delphi to develop this project. Hripko, a Delphi retiree, said Delphi has worked with YSU before on smaller projects and internships for students.

The interest in the aluminum battery cable project started in October 2009 when representatives from Delphi toured STEM and were interested in some of the materials that were available to YSU.

"We met with them and looked for opportunities where we could help," Hripko said. "We understand each other's abilities, so we prepared to send a proposal. So, in fall 2010, a proposal was sent to the Ohio Department of Development for funding."

The Ohio Third Frontier grant was awarded for the amount of \$1 million to the project. Delphi and the university will be splitting the money to cover costs. The

grant will be issued in the spring through the Ohio Department of Development.

The YSU research team is going to consist of faculty and graduate students.

"The faculty will be involved, but most of the research is going to be done by the graduate students," Hripko said.

He added that they are looking for students to help out and will likely have them chosen by the end of the semester.

The project will consist of research to use an aluminum battery cable, as opposed to a copper battery cable. Normally aluminum faced with copper causes corrosion. Corrosion is a chemical reaction that can happen when two metals go together and create interferences, causing a disturbance in the flow of electricity. The end result is the car not starting.

The reason for the research is because copper is heavier than aluminum. If aluminum could be used in place of, or in harmony with copper, it would be a lower cost option for vehicles.

Hripko said the idea of an aluminum battery cable has been around for approximately 30 years. Further research on the idea would rely on the appropriate funding being available.

"It's an old concept, but it is relevant now," Hripko said.

Hripko said when the weight of a car improves, the car also gets better gas mileage. The project will mainly focus on electric and hybrid cars because these models use a number of wiring systems.

Representatives from Delphi were unavailable for comment at the moment.

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**NEWS BRIEFS**

**Diversity celebration recognizes honorees**

On March 31, Dr. Earnest Perry will be honored at the fourth annual Diversity Leadership Recognition Celebration. The late surgeon and community leader will be remembered for his contributions to the Youngstown community. The event, which will be held at 6 p.m. at Mr. Anthony's in Boardman, will also recognize other honorees. YSU President Cynthia Anderson will be the keynote speaker, and tickets are on sale for \$35 per person, or \$280 for a table of eight. Event and reservation information is available at the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity at 330-941-3370.

**Scholarship honors late professor**

The Youngstown Zionist District of the Zionist Organization of America recently created an endowment at YSU in honor of retired YSU professor of history Saul Friedman. The scholarship, the Dr. Saul Friedman Scholarship in Jewish Studies, will go to YSU students engaged in studies focusing on Israel, the Holocaust and Jewish History. Friedman founded the Judaic and Holocaust Studies program at YSU.

**POLICE BRIEFS**

**Student reports missing wallet**

On Monday, a male student reported his wallet missing to YSU Police. He noticed it missing over the weekend and made an attempt to locate it. He called to cancel his debit card, but the wallet also contained cash, a YSU ID and an Ohio driver's license.

**Argument at Christman ends safely**

A group of males engaged in a verbal altercation in Christman Dining Commons on Monday night. The argument started when the separate groups entered the restroom. When YSU Police questioned those involved, no one said what caused the altercation. All involved said no violence occurred and that no threats were made. They were told to avoid one another in the future.

**Police investigate carriage house break-in**

On Monday, YSU Police received a report of a possible break-in at the Wick Pollock carriage house. When officers arrived at the scene, they found the south double doors taken off their hinges and placed to the side, as well as the west side door unlocked. No unknown persons were found inside the building. Neither the reporting officers or a YSU facilities worker could determine if anything had been taken, and the building was resecured.

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the next three weeks to let them know exactly what YSU wants. He said this list of services would determine the construction schedule.

"We're real eager at this point to get underway," Stoiber said.

In Tuesday's meeting, various board members expressed one attractive feature of GPD: their local office.

"Just being close is certainly an advantage," White said.

GPD is based out of Akron with an office in downtown Youngstown.

The board also expressed a desire for the new fields to act as a gateway to the community for anyone coming off U.S. Route 422 or Fifth Avenue.

"It's definitely a gateway," Morrone said. "It's going to clean [the area] up too."

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"If you combine this with the 'charter universities' that's going to privilege universities like Ohio State [University] and [the University of] Cincinnati and to a lesser extent Toledo but it's going to disadvantage Wright State [University], Cleveland State [University], Youngstown State, Shawnee State [University] because they just don't have the types of resources [those colleges possess]," Russo said.

He said students would be affected by state budget cuts and SB 5 passage.

"You're going to have to make up for the budget cuts, and there's going to be a dramatic increase in tuition," Russo said. "The university becomes like the turnpike: user fees. So if you use it, you pay for it."

Ikram Khawaja, provost and vice president for Student Affairs, spoke during the discussion on the Academic Senate resolution, on behalf of himself and President Cynthia Anderson stating that the administration should "remain neutral."

He said the administration is still committed to "maintaining a productive and respectful working environment."

The resolution was passed by the committee and will be forwarded to the board of trustees, Ohio Board of Regents, Chancellor James Petro and Gov. John Kasich. Khawaja, along with a few others, abstained from the vote on the resolution.

The next step for SB 5 is to be voted on in the Ohio House of Representatives.

"My sense of it is that it will pass the House rather easily," Russo said.

Kasich applauded the passage of SB 5 in a press release.

"This is a major step forward in correcting the imbalance between taxpayers and the government unions that work for them," the release stated. "Senate Bill 5 is just one piece of a larger plan to create a job-friendly climate in Ohio that is

essential to returning prosperity to our state."

After passage in the House, the governor will have to sign the bill into law, which Russo expects to be done by the end of the week because, as he said, Kasich would like to have that in place before he releases the budget.

"Opponents to the bill are not talking about a ballot initiative to Senate Bill 5, should it pass, and that's already underway," Russo said.

This would provide Ohioans the opportunity to vote on the bill in November elections.

Other matters of business for Academic Senate included motions from the Academic Standards Committee.

The first motion was passed which changes the admissions criteria for the College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Those applying for admission into STEM majors would be required to place into Eng-

lish 1550. Other requirements are established based on the major the student chooses. Those students not meeting the entry criteria would be placed into a pre-STEM program.

The second motion, which listed a new calculation for grade point average, was withdrawn, as more questions are to be answered before the Academic Senate could pass the motion.

The third motion specifies the qualifications for awarding dean's list to part-time students. The motion was passed.

The General Education Committee presented information on revising the general education program. The information proposes that the structure and focus of the current general education requirements meet other state university standards.

The committee is planning on meeting with individual colleges throughout the month and presenting the final recommendations to the Senate on April 6.

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thing: voicing your opinion.  
 "If students should abstain from sharing their views, then why did [SGA President Nick] Meditz, [Gary] Davenport and SGA push a resolution through condemning Governor Kasich's agenda?" Beil said.

Davenport, who is vice president of University Affairs, said not every member of SGA was required to support that bill.

"At least a majority [of SGA members] were for it, but that doesn't mean that individual members can't express opinions contrary to that bill," Davenport said in an e-mail.

Davenport helped paint the anti-SB 5 version of the rock.

At first, when Beil was asked if he was culpable, he held up his paint-covered hands and said facetiously, "Of course not. I would never do such a thing."

The finger was initially pointed at the YSU College Republicans, but chairman Josh Prest said the organization had nothing to do with it.

"It's like if the rock had first been painted against Senate Bill 5, people would have assumed to point the finger at the College Democrats," Prest said.

Beil, who has been involved with the YSU College Republicans, did not act as part of a group but as an individual who wanted to get his word out. This wasn't the first time he expressed his views.

Beil counter-protested before attending an event at the airport for Kasich, and sent letters to the editors of the War-

ren Tribune-Chronicle and The Vindicator in Youngstown. He said in the beginning, he wasn't the most vocal supporter of SB 5 because he didn't want his teachers to be mad at him.

"To the majority of the student populace, I did not advertise my actions for fear of any backlash that may have resulted. Now don't get me wrong, I am not one to back down from a fight, I just figured it would be better to keep the anti-Kasich people squirming," Beil said.

SB 5 would allow public employees in unions to negotiate wages, hours and safety conditions. However, they would not be able to negotiate pension and health care, while teachers would not be able to negotiate classroom size and where they teach.

"It's possible that Senate Bill 5 would either cause current faculty to leave or reduce the diversity of applicants in the future," Davenport said. "Such a situation would threaten to impoverish our brain share on campus."

"I think it's great that opposing viewpoints are being expressed. Definitely shows courage," Prest said.

Beil said many of his Democratic friends have been saying the bill is not about Ohio's budget or current deficit.

"As much as I hate to admit a Democrat is right, SB 5 isn't about this budget; this is about every future budget for the state of Ohio," Beil said.

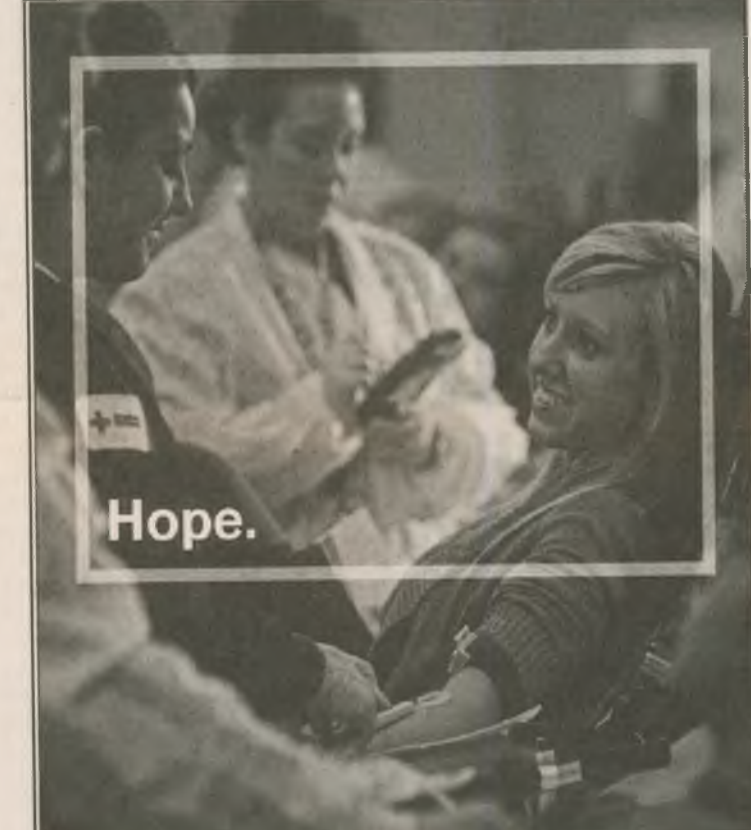
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Politically charged debate has fallen on Youngstown State University like a rock. Actually, it fell all over the rock.

We applaud all parties involved in this laudable expression because, after the layers upon layers of polarized paint dry, the last phrase we'll remember is "free speech."

We are not afraid of what professors may think of students' beliefs. Yes, SB 5 may have crystallized the Ohio Education Association, but reasons for supporting or condemning the bill should not impede our first amendment rights of free speech.

Likewise, organizations like the Student Government Association and even our campus administrators cannot impede freedom of speech. And we don't believe they have.

SB 5 has merited the attention it has received. We live in a rusted union town with a long history of Democratic allegiance. The bill speaks to the heart of our former workforce, but what happened to the rock on Feb. 24 speaks to the future of our Valley.

We should take note of what our fellow students have done. There is much hope for constructive political discourse as expressed in their actions. And we are the future, not the professors, not the unions, not the politicians and especially not tentative legislation.

SGA members Evan Beil and Gary Davenport may have stoked a political fire with a heated public exchange, but what is most notable is that they have carried on the torch of human rights passed along for generations and, faithfully, for generations to come.

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## Letters to the Editor

This letter is in response to the articles covering the protests by the Ohio Civil Service Employees Association (OCSEA)/American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) against the attempt by Gov. John Kasich and the legislature to eliminate collective bargaining.

Public employee collective bargaining is defined as a good-faith process between management (Kasich) and a public employee union (OCSEA/AFSCME) representing its employees.

The two parties negotiate wages, working hours, working conditions, etcetera. It benefits both parties because the governor is able to negotiate with one set of people and it gives the state employees union bargaining-power. Collective bargaining is the quintessential idea upon which the state union system is based.

The key word here is "good-faith," and it appears to have been breached.

Evidently it wasn't good enough for the union to agree to so many concessions that already affect the quality of life for thousands of employees and their families.

Now the governor and legislature want to take things a step further. Kasich was quoted as saying, "If lawmakers don't dismantle public employees collective bargaining, then I will." Is this really the only solution? Has the governor/legislature considered all the ways and means of reducing government waste before destroying the very critical role collective bargaining has played for so many years? How about increasing the payroll tax on certain Ohio professional sports teams? After all, they sure put out a great product or service that benefits us all.

It's easy to make decisions affecting other peoples lives when those decisions do not affect your livelihood, something that is shared by the private sector as well. Why must the employee continue to be punished for the mistakes of government/corporate leadership (or lack thereof)? When will these "leaders" finally own up to their mistakes and share in the pain as well? Kasich, show some compassion. There are better ways to deal with the budget shortfall. OCSEA/AFSCME, continue to protest and know that all unions across the land are coming to support you.

Joe Bialek  
Cleveland

I would like to extend my thanks to the following participants and sponsors who made last Saturday's Wick Park Cleanup not only possible but wildly successful.

Nearly 60 individuals, members of Alpha Kappa Mu, Alpha Omega Pi, the Campus Crusade for Christ, the Coalition for Christian Outreach, the Emerging Leaders Program, the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Youngstown, IEEE, Iota Phi Theta, Model UN, Roots & Shoots, Sigma Chi, Sigma Tau Gamma, the Student Government Association, Tau Kappa Epsilon, the Wick Park Neighborhood Association, YSU administration and faculty, and Zeta Tau Delta, participated.

These volunteers cleared snow from the sidewalks on Elm St between Broadway and Park avenues from 10 a.m. to noon on the 26th of February.

Sponsoring the event with important necessities were the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Youngstown, which gave its spacious Channing Hall for use as headquarters; the Lemon Grove Cafe, which donated several pots of hot, strong coffee; Wal-Mart, which gave a \$50 gift card; White House Fruit Farm, which donated five dozen tasty doughnuts; and the city of Youngstown's Litter Control & Recycling, which donated useful supplies; and YSU's Grounds Department, which lent 20 snow shovels to us.

Thanks to these individuals and organizations, Elm Street churchgoers on the following Sunday were safe from the snow that has long plagued sidewalks in this city.

Furthermore, these volunteers, who mixed their labor with the neighborhood and joined together indiscriminately of affiliation, showed the community that we're here and we care. Curious students with questions about living on the

North Side now have a direct route to the relevant answers: active engagement.

The importance of last weekend's event cannot be overestimated, nor can the gratitude to those who participated in it. We have laid important groundwork for future endeavors.

Gary Davenport  
Youngstown

## Democracy by Internet

L.A. Times  
MCT

After the revolution in Egypt, it has become a truism that the Internet can foster dissent and political freedom. But in a thoughtful speech this week, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton put that observation in perspective and committed the United States anew to promoting the online exchange of ideas in other countries.

Clinton's speech was vague in places, and there is a tension between her emphasis on the importance of protecting the privacy of everything from business documents to journalists' notes and efforts by the U.S. government to combat online security threats. Overall, however, it was an impressive attempt to advance an international conversation about how best to bring a commitment to democracy worldwide into an age in which the Internet is "town square, classroom, marketplace, coffeehouse and nightclub."

Clinton called for an uncensored Internet, and she criticized countries including Egypt during the events of the last few weeks that suppress online communication. But rather than grounding her case for an uncensored Internet only in traditional notions of free expression, Clinton also argued that Web freedom would encourage economic growth. "Freedom of thought and the level playing field made possible by the rule of law are part of what fuels innovation economies," she said.

In case authoritarian regimes are unpersuaded, Clinton noted that the United States has launched Twitter feeds in Arabic and Farsi and "continues to help people in oppressive Internet environments get around filters, stay one step ahead of the censors, the hackers and the thugs who beat them up or imprison them for what they say online." (Those efforts are worthy, but the Twitter feeds are likely to be viewed in many countries as an exercise in propaganda rather than an attempt to promote Internet freedom.)

In her address, Clinton celebrated the idea of confidentiality, saying it was necessary for the conduct of business and journalism as well as diplomatic communications. But she made it clear that in some instances confidentiality must yield to other values. Indeed, the administration in which she serves has placed law enforcement above protecting the privacy of some online communications.

That contradiction makes it easy for other nations to accuse the United States of hypocrisy. But it doesn't undermine Clinton's primary point that the Internet shouldn't be censored. It's an important message. Clinton said the costs of blocking the Internet are "unsustainable in the long run." But in the short run, even after the revolution in Egypt, plenty of autocrats will turn the "off" switch.



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## 'We've never had food companies this powerful ...'

### Journalist speaks out against dangers of corporate farming

**Chelsea Miller**  
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT  
EDITOR

Carole Morison throws the bodies of dead chickens in the back of a truck. After antibiotic treatments, their bones and internal organs grew so fast they could no longer keep up with their enlarged bodies.

"That's normal," said Morison, a Maryland chicken farmer, of the chickens produced for Americans' consumption.

Morison was part of the film "Food, Inc.," shown to Youngstown State University students Wednesday afternoon. The film showcased Morison, who lost her contract with the Perdue corporation after refusing to enclose her chicken houses, a practice other farmers were forced to follow.

Other interviews in the film included Barbara Kowalcyk whose 2-year-old son, Kevin, died after an E. coli outbreak from eating contaminated hamburger. Kowalcyk now fights to shut down plants that repeatedly produce contaminated meat.

In the film, Eric Schlosser, author, journalist and co-producer of the film, said his curiosity of where the food he eats comes from was a driving factor in pursuing his career as an investigative journalist. Schlosser said a danger most people aren't aware of is the power food corporations have on the U.S.

"We've never had food companies this powerful in our history," Schlosser said.

These corporations are so powerful, in fact, that Schlosser and filmmaker Robert Kenner had to be careful in pursuing the story.

"The only real pressure we felt was not to be sued and lose our homes ... nothing was done on film without consulting our lawyer," he said, adding that legal fees for "Food, Inc." were higher than any of Kenner's other films.

The film showed other farmers forced into following the protocol of major food corporations just to stay in business, as well as one family's struggle to find healthy food that is cheaper than a double cheeseburger at local fast food restaurants.

The lecture hit home for YSU students who attended, but some said the likelihood of completely changing their diets was improbable.

"We'd have to empty our fridges, our cupboards and everything. I'd have to throw away \$300 this month just so I can start eating organically," said student Craig Latchaw.

However, senior Amanda Miller said students could change their diets by implementing small changes.

"I think we need to start off slow, maybe make like one change. Instead of buying regular yogurt, buy organic yogurt. Something that won't break the bank," Miller said. "I personally [want to] be more aware. That's why I came to this."

Both students said they eat fast food as many as three to four times a week. They blamed YSU for not offering healthier food options on campus and suggested possible solutions.

"YSU, I think, needs to change what they offer," Miller said. "They could offer like a salad bar, like something with more choices than just Arby's, and instead of bringing in KFC, why couldn't they bring in somebody with more options?"

Senior Anthony Johnston



Eric Schlosser, journalist and food advocate, visited YSU on Wednesday to talk about the importance of buying organic food. Schlosser showed his film, "Food, Inc.," which highlights the negative aspects of corporate farming. Photo by Chelsea Miller/The Jambar.

agreed.

"There's a Taco Bell across the street, Arby's on campus," he said, adding that he would like more organic options on campus.

Julieann Cheng, part-time instructor for human ecology, said healthy options are available on campus, though.

"Of course we have our fast food places, but in Cushman there's a cafe, and we have healthy options that are available," Cheng said.

Cheng said the most important thing to consider is the amount a person eats, and if one has to consume fast food, to make healthy choices.

"Even if something is healthy, you still have to consider the portion sizes,"

Cheng said. "Of course, the less processed items and organic things may have other health benefits to them, but you certainly have to look at the whole picture. Just because someone is eating everything organic doesn't mean that everything they're consuming might be healthy."

Cheng said she has noticed a push toward organic food and more grocery stores and restaurants offering the food items now.

Although "Food, Inc." touches on problems of obesity and diabetes in the U.S., Schlosser said he still eats what he wants. His favorite foods are hamburgers and French fries. The importance, he said, is where the food comes from.

"I pretty much eat the same foods," he said. "I've always eaten the same foods, but I'm just aware of where they come from."

Schlosser said despite how grim "Food, Inc." is, he is optimistic about the future of U.S. food production. Several stores and restaurants are pushing toward buying organic, he said, including fast food chains like Chipotle and Panera Bread. Schlosser said if YSU were to implement a change, it should focus on purchasing organic and locally grown food.

"The purchasing power of the university is a lot greater than the purchasing power of one student," he said. "It's better for the students and better for the community."

## Students, staff respond to Ohio eating habits study

**Jared Buker**  
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT  
REPORTER

For some students at Youngstown State University, the hustle and bustle of college life can leave little time for nutritious meals.

A study conducted by 24/7 Wall St., a website that provides commentary for U.S. and global equity investors, revealed that Ohio has the eighth worst eating habits in the entire country. The study also showed that Ohio has the 11th highest consumption of soft drinks and is in the top 10 in its consumption of sweet snacks and solid fats.

Because of the poor diets of Ohioans, Ohio has the 11th worst rate of adult diabetes, which affects more than 10 percent of the population. Ohio is third worst in grocery store availability across all income levels, at 0.18 locations per 1,000 people, compared to 0.6 in first place North Dakota.

Clint Kifolo, who has been a chef for more than 20 years and has worked as YSU's executive chef for four, said the problem is complex.

"Ohio is one of the top offenders, but the nation as a whole has created this," Kifolo said, adding that a weak state economy makes cheap fast food more tempting. "Our

*"People here are set in their ways. They like the food Mom and Dad used to make."*

*-Amber Powell*

economic drivers create a nutritional deficit, and people buy products on the market that are most convenient."

Insidermonkey.com, a site that traditionally works to exploit insider-trading transactions, offers data disagreeing with Kifolo's hypothesis that economy dictates eating habits. After examining states that had the highest food stamp participation rates, only one state, Alabama, was on both lists, suggesting that state economics may not be a deciding factor in eating habits.

Kifolo said the blame should also be put on the individual's lack of nutritional education, not on YSU Dining Services.

"It is important for students and staff to know what items are available and how to eat properly," he said.

The normal college student needs around 1,800 to 2,000 calories each day, though various factors, like weight and physical activity, play a role in

determining this caloric intake number. YSU offers healthy alternatives almost everywhere food is sold, and it is a matter of students being aware of it, Kifolo said.

Christman Dining Commons offers low-calorie meals for every meal of the day, and the YSU Dining Services website allows students to locate nutritional facts for these meals with just the click of a mouse.

Kifolo controls the menus for Christman, Pete's Place, Jazzman's Cafe in Maag Library and all grab and go locations in Kilcawley Center and other buildings on campus.

"Because of the diversity of the campus, we have to provide a large base," Kifolo said.

He said there are vegan and vegetarian options nearly everywhere on campus. Breakfast in Christman is made with low-fat eggs. Pete's Place also uses an organic egg product for breakfast, as well as whole-wheat pizza crust. In addition, Pete's Place offers a turkey sausage that can replace traditional pork sausage.

Amber Powell, who handles retail operations for YSU Dining Services, said Ohio ranks high in bad eating habits because people aren't willing to change their diets.

"People here are set in their ways," she said. "They like the food Mom and Dad used to make."

Powell also said the grab and go salad stations in buildings on campus are the best

places to stop for a healthy snack.

Sophomore Kyle Long thinks the problem can be traced back to Ohio itself.

"It could be the weather," he said. "When it's cold out, a lot of people choose to stay in and eat."

Ohio's obesity rate, as of June, was at 29 percent, or 17th highest in the nation.

Sophomore Miranda Cala said YSU deserves more blame.

"The problem could be food plans in schools or fast food," she said. "YSU doesn't really have any organic restaurants or health food restaurants. It's kind of your typical American food."

Located in one of the most trafficked areas in Kilcawley, the Candy Counter sells various candies and soft drinks, but few healthy snacks. Sophomore Mallorie Miller has worked at the Candy Counter for a year and a half, and she said the store gets busy around noon every day.

"Some people come over after workouts for vitamin water, and we have Powerade, trail mix bars, Fiber One bars, but that's about it," Miller said.

Christman provides late night dining from 9 p.m. to noon for students from Sunday through Thursday. Kifolo said Dining Services is working on providing more healthy alternatives during late night hours.

"We have to compete with McDonald's at night, and we compete with CVS [pharmacy] for junk food," Kifolo said.

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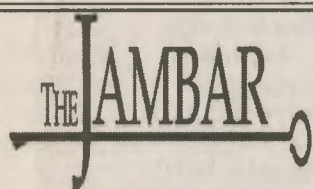
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# I AM IRONMAN



Caitlin Glenn, an accomplished triathlete, poses with her collection of medals and trophies she's accumulated throughout the past few years. Photo by Jordan D. Uhl/The Jambar.

**Jordan D. Uhl**  
SPORTS EDITOR

"Caitlin, you are an Ironman," is what senior exercise science major Caitlin Glenn is anxiously waiting to hear when she crosses the finish line on Aug. 28 in Louisville, Ky.

As is the event's tradition, as the triathletes finish the event, announcer Mike Reilly endows each one with the illustrious title.

While this is Glenn's first Ironman, she's no stranger to triathlons. First competing in the summer of 2009, she already has several under her belt.

"Ever since I heard about

triathlon, every triathlete [thinks], 'Someday I want to do the Ironman,'" she said.

It's a lifestyle for her, consuming her every waking moment.

"It's in six months, as of [Monday], and I'm obsessed with it," she said. "You live it and you breathe it."

Glenn, athletic by nature, played basketball in high school but wanted more upon entering college. Being enshrouded in a fitness-oriented field of study, coupled with her competitive spirit, she "needed something to work for."

The goal she set for herself would intimidate even the most hardcore gym rats: a 2.4-mile swim, immediately followed by a 112-mile bike

ride, culminating in a 26.2-mile run.

"Everybody looks at those numbers and thinks, 'That's crazy,'" she said. "Well, yeah, it's crazy, but passion trumps logic."

For a precursor, she will compete in an Ironman, 70.3, or half-Ironman, on June 12. This is still no easy feat, as participants embark on a 1.2-mile swim, a 56-mile bike ride and a 13.1-mile run.

Her training is rigorous. She spends numerous hours on a bike trainer, in a pool and on a track each week. This consumes a lot of time but also leaves her physically and mentally depleted.

"[Afterward,] I just want to sit down, or go to sleep," Glenn said. "[Mentally,] you're blank for an hour and a half. You just feel like nothing's there. You need to connect with reality again."

But with hard work comes results. Improvements in her times keep her going.

On the day of the race, she will have 17 hours to finish, yet she's unsure of a specific finishing time goal she wants to set.

"I can't really go and say, 'I just want to finish' because that's kind of lame. I'd say anything under 15 hours," she said.

Ironman events are held in warmer areas, typically during the spring and summer months, so some competitors migrate to those regions for pleasurable training. Her senior standing at YSU and responsibilities as an intern at the Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center confine her to Ohio during the winter.

"I have a friend, and she trains in Arizona. It makes me so upset when I read her Facebook status: 'Great 65-mile bike ride outside.' She has the outside support because it's popular there. You're going with the group," she said. "Where [here], it's 'OK, I'm going to ride 65 miles in front of nothing but my laptop and

go nowhere.' I think that as much as it's a disadvantage, it definitely makes you mentally stronger," she said.

To Glenn, there's one trait that every triathlete must possess to achieve greatness.

"Discipline," she said. "You don't have to get on your bike for a few hours, you don't have to run 10 miles, you don't have to go to the pool, but you do."

"You know at least five or six days a week you're going to be working out, minimum of two hours a day. You just have to turn everything off in your brain, and you just have to go," Glenn said.

On top of the temptation to take it easy, Glenn struggles with lingering knee problems.

"I've been going to therapy since I've been in sixth grade," she said.

But she didn't let this suppress her, and she put her experience to good use.

"That's why I'm going to be a physical therapist, [I] kind of figured out my career path," she said.

In the upcoming events, Glenn plans on competing on behalf of an underrepresented demographic.

"The population of the triathlon is definitely older. I'm young to be doing this sport," she said.

With the event's entry fee around \$600 and a suitable bike costing more than \$1,000, Glenn mentioned how difficult it is for a college student to participate.

Aside from that, she's a young woman in an event called the Ironman. To some, this can seem sexist.

"I like it," she said with a laugh. "It's kind of badass. The percentage of women that compete, it's significantly less."

Remaining persistent through setbacks out of her control and injuries, one thing remains her biggest motivating factor.

"Just seeing the finish line, even though it's so far away," Glenn said.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Down and out

A 24-6 run late in the second half of Tuesday night's Horizon League Tournament opener wasn't enough for the YSU men's basketball team as Valparaiso University was able to hang on for an 80-71 win.

The loss ended YSU's season and other Penguins' college careers. Senior Vyatas Sulskis scored 11 points in a game that he wanted.

"It's not win or go home for me ... it's win, or my career at YSU is over," Sulskis tweeted Tuesday.

Sulskis leaves YSU basketball as the 16th all-time scorer with 1,311 points.

Sophomore Damian Eargle scored a game-high of 21 points and snatched nine rebounds, one shy of a double-double.

Freshman Kendrick Perry added 16 points and seven rebounds in the loss that dropped YSU's overall record to 9-21.

Perry brought the Penguins to within one, 71-70, with 2:47 to play after scoring five straight points for YSU.

Valpo was clutch, late in the game, as they built a four-point lead that the Penguins couldn't come catch. Valpo secured the win after making five of six free throws.

### Men's tennis dominates Niagara, loses to Buffalo

The YSU men's tennis team faced Niagara University on Saturday night. YSU won its second straight dual defeating Niagara 7-0. The Penguins swept through matchup Nos. 2 through 6. At the No. 1 singles, junior Tariq Ismail, who trailed the first set 3-6, came back to win 6-3, 6-2. YSU went on to lose the next morning to the University at Buffalo, 1-6. The only winner in the singles match was Felipe Rosa, who went 5-7, 3-4 ret. The Penguins will resume play Saturday against Cleveland State University at the Boardman Tennis Center.

### Women's basketball loses another close one

The YSU women's basketball team lost in a nail biter to Cleveland State University on Saturday night, 76-71. Brandi Brown led the Penguins with 28 points, and Tiara Jones had a double-double with 14 points and 13 rebounds. Shawnita Garland scored 25 points for the Vikings. The loss drops YSU to 4-23, 2-14 in the Horizon League. The Penguins' next game is at home Thursday at 7:05 p.m. against the University of Illinois at Chicago.

### YSU baseball team drops weekend series

The College of Charleston swept the YSU baseball team this weekend. On Friday, YSU was held to just one run and was trounced, losing 14-1. The lone run was an RBI single by Jonathan Crist. On Saturday, the Cougars shut the Penguins out 15-0. On Sunday, YSU put up a better fight against No. 19 College of Charleston, losing 6-2. The next series for the Penguins will begin Friday at 4 p.m. at the University of Cincinnati.

# Game, set, match: Penguins open league play

**Jordan D. Uhl**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Youngstown State University men's tennis team will kick off Horizon League play on Saturday against Cleveland State University.

This will be a telling match, as CSU is the three-time defending league champion.

"It's definitely set a tone for the season," head coach Mark Klysner said. "[Cleveland State is] not as strong as they have been in the past. This year, the conference is a little more open. It definitely will test the guys right off the bat. We'll see where we're at and what we need to work on going the rest of the way."

The Penguins have already faced some formidable opponents this season such as Michigan State University, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne and most recently the University at Buffalo, where the men lost 6-1.

To Klysner, these matches, although defeats, may have adequately prepared the Penguins for the Vikings.

"Those teams are potentially better than Cleveland State, and the guys, they've played fairly well. They believe they can beat anyone in the confer-



Focusing on the oncoming serve, senior Rob Emig prepares to volley the ball. Photo courtesy of Sports Information.

ence," Klysner said.

One team weakness that has been subject to much scrutiny is its doubles game, but

Klysner senses improvement.

"The guys have been getting a little more confident," Klysner said. "I emphasize the

doubles point as probably the most important part, and the guys are definitely getting better and have a better feel for each other."

While the Vikings' top two players pose a challenge, the bottom half of the lineup is where Klysner thinks the Penguins will excel.

"Their four, five and six are definitely beatable," Klysner said. "My four, five and six, I've been telling them, just focus on their games. Just play tennis the way they know how to play, not the fact that Cleveland State's the favorite to win the whole conference."

CSU's projected achievement could cultivate unwanted pressures in some teams, but Klysner brushes it off.

"My guys are familiar with what college tennis looks like. They've played in the fall. It's just a matter of everybody showing up the same day and playing up to their level, which is usually the toughest part," he said.

## SCHEDULES

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**  
March 3- UIC  
March 5- LOYOLA

**MEN'S TENNIS**  
March 5- CLEVELAND STATE  
March 14- @ Bethune-Cookman  
March 15- @ Northern Illinois (in FLA)  
March 15- @ Western Illinois (in FLA)

**WOMEN'S TENNIS**  
March 6- @ Akron  
March 16- @ Pittsburgh  
March 19- BOWLING GREEN  
March 26- @ Milwaukee

**MEN'S BASEBALL**  
March 4- @ Cincinnati  
March 5- @ Cincinnati  
March 6- @ Cincinnati  
March 11- @ Tenn. Tech