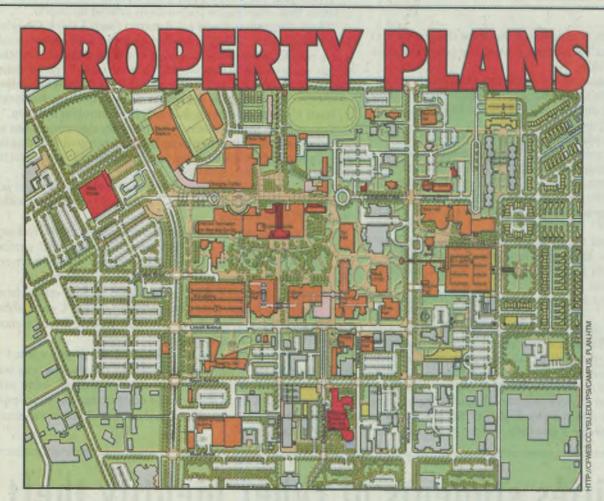
# The Jambar

## VACANT COACHING JOB NOT SHORT ON CANDIDATES



# YSU broadens its boundaries

Christine Keeling REPORTER

The recession may have hit students in their wallets, but Youngstown State University has a big purse and the university's administration is digging into it to try and fulfill its Centennial Master Plan.

YSU has amassed \$90 million through fundraising and bond purchases. Parking spots, a restaurant, athletics and field expansion and a neighborhood close to campus are reasons it has spent part of the money gobbling up more than 50 Youngstown properties in the last two years.

"There is very favorable stuff coming from the feds in terms of bond rates," said Hunter Morrison, director of Campus Planning and University Development. "We are taking every advantage we can on opportunities that exist to get more money and pay less interest."

Through fiscal year 2009 until present, YSU asked for 19 approvals from the Ohio Controlling Board to spend more than \$1.5 million for 4.6 acres of land surrounding the campus area. The board approved 17 of the requests, denied one and deferred another.

"On the west side of Fifth Avenue, you see fairly recent property acquisition activities in furtherance of recreation usage," Morrison said. "[Having all those facilities together] allows for multiple utilization and it's a much more efficient way to run.'

Morrison said that properties purchased south of Grant Street would be used for additional parking.

According to capital request forms filed with the Controlling Board, the university sought approval on two lots totaling \$13,600 in Smoky Hollow, \$203,365 for space

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#### Phases lay out construction plans for future

Andrea DeMart REPORTER

Youngstown State University has been working to purchase or acquire property to fund its Centennial Master Plan, According to the proposal, "The Centennial Campus Master Plan positions the university for a century of progress as Youngstown, the Mahoning Valley, and the State of Ohio continue the often difficult transition from the industrial to the knowledge economy." The Centennial Master Plan is also part of the Youngstown 2010 Comprehensive Plan to reinvent the city of Youngstown.

This project has been divided up into various phases. Phase one consists mainly of the new Williamson College of Business Administration construction, already nearing completion, and the renovation of the Pollock House for President-elect Cynthia Anderson.

Phase two projects include the Kilcawley Student Center, parking improvements mainly focusing on the M-2 parking deck, the Watson and Tressel Training Site and the College of Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics building project.

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# YSU, YEC continue talks for transition

Dan Pompili ASSIST. NEWS EDITOR

Today at 4 p.m., the Youngstown Early College transition committee will meet to continue

discussions regarding the program's future.

According to a March 19 Vindicator article, present consensus favors a three-year transition plan which would continue to house YEC in Fedor Hall while Eastern Gateway Community College gradually assimilates the program.

Under this plan, the YEC tuition would be reduced from \$290 per credit hour to \$96, to match EGCC's tuition. President of the Youngstown City School Board Anthony Catale said that if the tuition is reduced, the school board may fund the program entirely, alleviating YSU's financial

The Memorandum of Understanding between YSU and YEC expires officially on June 30, and the board voted in February to discontinue the program at YSU. YSU Board of Trustees Chairman Scott Schulick said "sincere concern about long-term financial viability" drove the board's decision, and that Youngstown City Schools does

not expect YSU to present a proposal.
Schulick said if there is a "compromise that seems reasonable ... I am willing as board chair to take that back to the trustees for consideration." He added that "everything's on the table in terms of options," but there's no guarantee that the YSU Board of Trustees will entertain or accept any of them.

"This is just goodwill on the part of YSU,"

While the committee has placed no specific deadline on the process or a decision, Schulick said Youngstown City Schools do have some time-sensitive concerns regarding registration and parental issues for the students.

However, if no funding compromise is reached in a timely fashion, there will be no Early College in fall semester.

Schulick said the greatest detriment to YEC was the decision by the Ohio Board of Regents to cut earmark funding for early college programs statewide, owing to economic troubles. The amount lost, Schulick estimated, was close to \$840,000, some of which YSU has had to compensate for.

Schulick said that while there is no expectation of a proposal or any actual burden on YSU to provide a viable resolution, financial or otherwise, the university is still interested in contributing amicably to a favorable outcome for all parties, especially YSU and YEC students.

YEC Dean Michelle Dotson said "the more

we talk, the better the conversation gets."
"Our mission," Dotson said "is for these students to get their associate degrees, and when they graduate high school to go on to college and finish their undergraduate degrees."

Shulick added that much of the talk includes "conversations that probably should have been occurring for a long time.'

Dotson said that she is not necessarily concerned about what institution YEC works with, as long as the program can achieve its mission.

"If the board of trustees is willing to work with us, that's fine," she said.

### Obama executive order upholds 1976 abortion amendment

Joe Giesy REPORTER

After signing the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act into law Tuesday, President Barack Obama's next step will be to issue an executive order as promised to Rep. Bart Stupak during the debate leading to the health care reform bill.

Keith Lepak of Youngstown State University's Political Science department called this executive order the "last arrow in [Obama's] quiver" to get the law through the House of Repre-The promise for the order came while many democratic rep-

resentatives were still opposed to passing the law because of concerns about how it dealt with public funding of abortion. 'The executive order ... was an interesting device used to persuade some of the pro-life democrats to vote for the ... bill,"

Lepak said. "It doesn't really establish anything new." According to the White House Web site, Obama's purpose wasn't to change abortion laws with his health care reform plan. The new law upholds the status quo set forth in 1976's

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## MANNING UP TO **RAISE MONEY** Brittany Steinbeck and Anna Magazzeni hosted 'Xi Man,' a Greek Like event sponsored by Alpha Xi Delta to raise money for the Rich Center for Autism on Wednesday. Fraternity members competed to be the sorority's man of the year. Tanya Kissel, right, was the acting disc jockey. PHOTOS BY NICK YOUNG / THE JAMBAR

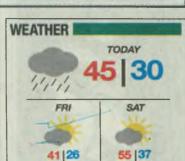




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#### **NEWS BRIEFS**

#### Rich Center plans to add research component

The Rich Center for Autism is planning on adding a research program. The focus is to link with the Beeghly College of Education regarding autism research. The Rich Center currently operates as a daycare center, but YSU is investigating the possibility of it becoming a K-12 school.

# Creative Writing students present poetry

Creative Writing students will read their poetry on Sunday at the Lemon Grove Cafe. These students are from the Northeast Ohio Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing Program at YSU. The event will take place at 5 p.m. Non-perishable food donations are welcome.

#### **POLICE BRIEFS**

#### Student struck by vehicle on Rayen Avenue

On Monday evening, a black Chevrolet hit a student crossing Rayen Avenue. Another student witnessed the event and was questioned by police. The student involved in the accident was taken to St. Elizabeth Health Center for further treatment.

#### Child pulls fire alarm in Fedor hall

Officers were dispatched to the Wee Care Day Care Center in Fedor Hall after the fire alarm was activated Monday evening. All staff and children were safely evacuated. No fire or smoke was detected, and it was discovered that a 3-yearold daycare student had pulled the alarm.

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# Global partnership announced in YSU's Kilcawley Center

Josh Stipanovich

Zethus Software, the Youngstown Business Incubator and Bruker AXS announced Tuesday they would be partnering in a global business partnership.

The deal would guarantee the implementation and circulation of Zethus Software's ongoing Zethus Cumulus CyberLab technology. The agreement was initially signed March 2, Zethus Software CEO Brad Myers said.

"We are extremely pleased in our partnership with Bruker AXS," Myers said in a press release. "It validates our innovative technology and establishes our reach on a worldwide level."

Myers said this partnership with Bruker AXS is only the beginning. He said Zethus Software is planning on partnering with other similar corporations, which would bring more jobs to downtown Youngstown.

"The Bruker deal and the offshoot to that, some other business partners that we're looking to do business with will assist us to hire probably 10 to 15 by the year's end and maybe 30 or so next year," Myers said.

By 2014, Myers said he hopes to have hired 100 total employees.

Zethus Software, which is located downtown in the Youngstown Business Incubator, is a privately developed business that works with a variety of cloud computing technologies.

Myers said cloud computing is a "buzz word" in the computing industry, which means they pull together, using "mini-computers," certain data and devices in a virtual environment. Once that data is transferred into the cloud, Zethus Software is then able "to secure it, to manage it and then to store it," Myers said.

"[Cloud computing] is not anything unique, but what you do within that cloud is a trick," Myers said."

Myers said the cloud computing Zethus Software offers is different than other major corporations around the world.

"Huge companies [such as] Amazon [and] I think Google's even doing some ... they're setting up more data center clouds where people can drop their data off of their computer into other clouds somewhere in the world," Myers said. "You're data's really not secure any longer [because] it's in somebody else's hands. Our data cloud sits behind the firewall of the organization ... [and] it's protected by them, [and] it's controlled by them."

Youngstown State University's chemistry department has invested in one of Zethus Software's cloud computing technologies, CyberLabNet. This has led to the collaboration between the university and Zethus Software.

Myers said this technology allows students, faculty and scientists to perform an experiment and then save their data within the CyberLabNet cloud.

"[The experiment] is stored in that virtualized cloud, and anybody can come in and see what experiment the YSU personnel did, you can see what the results of those experiments were, [and] how they conducted those experiments," Myers said.

Chemistry professor Allen Hunter said he and other chemistry faculty members have been working on the CyberLabNet project for 15 years, which has allowed YSU to become more involved on an "academic sense."

"A number of years ago, we realized that if we wanted to get serious about it, we needed a scale of money that was way beyond what we could cover with external grants," Allen said. "When you want to do some really complicated projects, especially the long-term ones, there's just no way to get public-sector money to do that."

# YSU notifies students of cyber identity theft

Krystle Kimes
REPORTER

Youngstown State University students and faculty received an e-mail from Information Technology Services about a cyber theft occurring in YSU students' e-mail accounts.

Jason Rakers, director of Network Telecommunications and Security, which is a component of IT that supports university voice and data communications and provides assistance in security university assets and information from cyber-related activities, said his department sends out notices to students about cyber theft.

"We sent out an e-mail about a cyber theft, which ended up being a fake message from a YSU account," Rakers said.

Rakers urges students and faculty to, not give out information that e-mail users receive from a possible unknown source.

"If you get a spam message, don't reply," Rakers said. "Most people on campus had the e-mail caught by spam."

Rakers says these things happen every day, and IT's job is to warn users.

"We send out daily announcements and take a proactive way to be up-to-date on what's going on," Rakers said. "The best solution is to counter negative effects." It's important to be cautious about what information is put into the cyber world.

Peter Trahon, section chief of the FBI's Cyber Division, said law enforcement depends heavily on "the corporate sector and citizens to report when they encounter online suspicious activity so these schemes can be investigated and criminals can be arrested."

"Computer users are encouraged to have up-to-date security protection on their devices and evaluate email solicitations they receive with a healthy skepticism. If something seems too good to be true, it likely is," Trahon said.

The U.S. Department of Justice released the results of a cybercrime survey. Approximately 67 percent of 8,000 respondents had detected at least one cyber attack in 2005. In addition, more than 90 percent of respondents that had detected an attack acknowledged financial loss as a result. About 10 percent of respondents claimed to have been victimized.

The Network Telecommunications and Security division recommends being careful when responding to request delivered through unsolicited e-mail. E-mail and attachments have been the primary source of infections for viruses and other malicious software.

Also be skeptical of individuals representing themselves as officials asking for donations through unsolicited e-mails or requesting help delivering funds to a charity or other program. Contact organizations directly; don't rely on others to make the donation on your behalf.

Another way to protect yourself is "to never give out personal information or other sensitive information like social security, bank account or credit card information through e-mail. E-mail is an unsecured communication, meaning the information is not private and can be easily intercepted, Rakers said.

Also, create strong passwords for cyber accounts. A strong password should include a combination of letters, numbers and special characters. It should be difficult for someone to guess, but easy for you to remember, Rakers said.



# What's on your mind?



"Nothing, waiting to go to class."

Ryan Lammerding, freshman



"I'd have to say the ladies."

Ben Esseniyi, junior



"I dont have anything on my mind."

Joe Carbon, junior



OUR SIDE

## Don't quit just yet

The Jambar EDITORIAL BOARD

As of today, there are 51 days until graduation and many Youngstown State University seniors may be experiencing some common symptoms that occur as we inch closer and closer to wearing caps and gowns.

Procrastination, anxiety, the frequent class skipping and a tendency to check and re-check a calendar daily are just some of the warning signs that point to a classic case of "senioritis," a virus spread among much of the soon-to-be alumni.

If you find that you are displaying one or more of these symptoms, now is the time take a nice healthy dose of reality, because if you wait any longer it will surely hit you hard as soon as you walk off the stage with a degree, but no plans, no job and the keys to a fancy new apartment in your parent's basement

What should you do to cure the freedom

Step one: Find a graduation buddy. Look for someone in the same shoes as you and help each other survive the last few months of undergraduate life. Misery loves company, right? Be that voice of encouragement for one another. Check up on each other regularly to make sure each is staying on track.

Step two: Finalize resumes and job applications. If you haven't begun this process, its imperative that you start immediately. Procrastinating may yield positive results on a small percentage of midterms and research papers but when it comes to a career the statistics are not in your favor. If you need extra help, seek out the Office of Career and Counseling Services. Your tuition dollars help pay for it, so use it.

Finally, calm down and enjoy the remainder of the semester. You've made it this far for a reason, so keep up with your classes, limit the late nights and work hard to secure that dream job. Before you know, it you'll be putting down this paper and picking up your degree in Beeghly Center, unless of course you opt to celebrate success by skipping the ceremony, just like that 8 a.m. gen. ed class.

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## Letter to the Editor

As someone who followed the Health Care Legislation debate with eyes wide open, I can't help but laugh at the one eye shut editorial "Divided We Stand." I stipulate to the facts HCL opponents have charged socialism, tyranny and called Rep. Bart Stupak a "baby killer." However, further analysis is required regarding the allegations of this past weekend that representatives were called "n---er" and "f----t." "Divided We Stand" is also kind enough to point out the rhetoric of HCL supporters - they called President Obama and Congress "spineless." The rhetoric would hardly seem comparable. However, upon closer examination there is an ugly truth about some HCL supporters. According to Rep. Alan Grayson (D-Fla.), HCL opponents "want you to die quickly." Majority Leader Sen. Harry Reid (D-Nev.) was civil enough to claim people who opposed this legislation were also in favor of slavery. And who could forget Speaker Nancy Pelosi's (D-Ca.) statement implying HCL opponents were Nazis? Of course, "Divided We Stand" is full of its own divisive rhetoric. Contrary to the claim of "near-riots," in all there were few arrest, no tear gas needed and I don't recall police offers ever having to take to the

streets in riot gear. It seems more concerned with the status of our flag and national anthem as opposed to our Constitution. I assure you my American flag flies high, along with the State of Ohio and Gadsden flags. Our national anthem, well, people often talk about changing it. Will people take to the streets "with pitchforks and torches" whenever they disagree with a piece of legislation? No. However, they may very well protest as Americans have since 1765. "Is this what our nation has become?" No. It is what it has always been: people with very different backgrounds who distrust government power. It is true to this day across the political spectrum, except to a lesser extent when their side is in power. So, yes, this is what generations past and present have fought and died for. There are no "Neanderthals," "pitchforks, "torches" or "clubs" to speak of. If you truly seek a rational discussion, perspective and having your eyes wide open is the path forward.

Eugene G. Bernat Boardman

COMMENTARY

## YSU considered one of Ohio's greener campuses

Lindsey Ramdin REPORTER

Despite receiving a D+ in sustainability efforts, Youngstown State University is still considered one of the "greener" campuses in Ohio.

Some Ohio colleges that scored below YSU include the University of Akron, Ohio Northern University and Bowling Green State University. The Green Report Card organization, an initiative of the Sustainable Endowments Institute, grades different aspects of universities "greenness," from administration to transportation, and an average of each scored area makes up the final grade.

Part of an entire era fighting climate change, YSU is among many other universities trying to reduce their carbon footprints. The work of university professors, students, and community supporters has helped reduce YSU's high carbon emission. Some changes at YSU include discounted beverages at certain spots on

campus for using a travel mug, the construction of the first LEED certified building and the development of a \$10 million energy-efficiency program.

The YSU Center for Sustainability hopes to "expand its efforts in externally funded projects."

Rodney Lamberson, vice president of Architecture and Engineering at YSU, says that by building one LEED certified building, "others will be convinced of the importance of green building."

YSU Green Group shares the same mission and recognizes the importance of sustainable living. The Green Group encourages the "greening" of YSU through policy formation, conservation, and education about sustainability.

YSU needs to continue work to make the campus

Little-by-little the environmental problem can be solved. The efforts of individuals at YSU have aggregated and, slowly but surely, will pull YSU toward a greener future. A journey of 1,000 miles begins with a single step, a carbon step in this case.

## 'No Child' law should be left behind, but Obama must ensure teachers get support

Kansas City Star

For almost 10 years, educators have railed against the No Child Left Behind law, saying it imposed unachievable testing mandates and was underfunded. They were right

The 2002 signature law of the Bush administration forced teachers to teach to standardized tests, but no national standards for academic achievement existed. No Child Left Behind resulted in labeling more than a third of the nation's public schools as failures even though states in their own patchwork way ginned up exams that actually lowered the academic bar.

Finally relief may be on the horizon. The Obama administration is proposing to dismantle the existing law and replacing it with one that helps struggling schools make

progress instead of penalizing those that don't meet benchmarks.

The push is for states to enact standards ensuring that graduating high school students are ready for college or careers by 2020, replacing No Child Left Behind's goal of grade-level proficiency by 2014.

A big plus is states would be able to use subjects other than reading and math to measure whether they are meeting the new federal goals. No Child Left Behind excluded such subjects as art, music, history and social science. Those areas were often neglected in the classroom.

classroom.

The Obama administration is pushing for the new law this year, which seems ambitious. But the nation's schools certainly could use the additional resources and flexibility the law promises for high-poverty schools. There is some pain in the proposal for the lowest performing 5 percent of schools, which could be subjected to aggressive measures such as state

takeover, replacing the principal, replacing half the teaching staff or closing the school.

The proposed change has pitfalls that should be addressed.

It puts high expectations on teachers to lift underperforming students to academic excellence. The Obama administration must ensure teachers will get the support, training and collaboration time they need to be able to do the additional work.

Also, the bill must not follow in the footsteps of No Child Left Behind and impose a host of unfunded mandates on states and school districts. And it should provide for a national exam that students in all states would have to take to prove they are proficient in core subjects.

The president and Congress must work together on a plan to transform schools so that they provide students with the skills needed to be successful.

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The university intends to finance the second phase through the use of Build America Bonds that will be retired in 20-25 years. The initial amount requested to complete the Centennial Master Plan was \$42 million, but an additional \$5 million was added to the request in January to accommodate evolving needs and priorities.

The university does not intend to levy a special student fee to defray the costs of any projects in the Centennial Master Plan, but as a contingency, can levy such a fee should the need arise.

Although no specific order for phase two projects has been determined, the following lists the main focus of each project:

Kilcawley Center Renovations: The main focus of renovating Kilcawley Center is to make the building more studentfocused. The plan outlines that the building would be made more attractive inside and out, including creating an all-weather arcade space and a main atrium as focal points for student activities and organizations. Also included are upgraded dining options to offer students a contemporary dining experience. The approximated cost for the renovations is \$10 million.

Parking Improvements: While the plan allows for campus-wide parking improvments, the focus is on the M-2 parking deck. The deck will be used throughout the remainder of 2010 and then be replaced by a surface lot. The parking deck now holds 1,200 spaces, but the replacement lot will only accommodate 300-350 spaces.

"The goal is to create one-toone replacement of about 1,200 parking spaces," said Hunter Morrison, director of Campus Planning and University Development.

The remainder of the spaces will need to be located elsewhere in additional lots, the locations of which are yet to be determined.

Morrison explained the university is currently looking for land that YSU already owns or can acquire to be converted into surface lots. Cost for this project is estimated at \$4.5 million

WATTS Center: The goal of the 120,000 square-foot facility will be to provide safe, comfortable housing for a prolonged practice season to meet the increasing competitive athletic needs the university is looking to embrace. The facility will house an indoor football field and a 300-meter track and will

be used for team practices, intramural sports, and campus-wide activities that would benefit students, faculty and the community. The cost of this facility was projected at \$10 million, including \$1 million donated by the Watson and Tressel families.

STEM Building Project: YSU holds the distinction of having Ohio's first STEM College. In order to expand programs offered, stay competitive and prepare students for the ever-changing global market-place, a new facility is essential. Construction on the building is not expected to begin until 2011 or 2012, but the programming and planning process is already underway. Possible locations for the college include the Garfield Building and Moser Hall. Another option is to replace or renovate Ward Beecher Hall adaptively reusing the AT&T Tower building adjacent and connected to the Garfield Building and developing a new STEM laboratory facility on an existing university-owned surface parking lot. The cost is \$500,000.

While construction of the new Williamson College of Business Administration is scheduled to be completed by summer 2010, the old Williamson building will be the location for office and laboratory space for the STEM College's department of Mathematics. The building will also be used for additional classroom space as needed. Basic renovation and upgrade costs are estimated at \$400,000.

Another project in the works is the development of the Smoky Hollow Neighborhood. YSU is working with the city of Youngstown and Wick Neighbors to rebuild and renovate the Smoky Hollow area into a residential community, including housing for those people who work or attend YSU and also for those people who work in the city

"It will be a combination of student housing and for-sale market rate housing," Morrison said. "It's mainly for people who want to be close to the campus."

No date for completion of this project has been set.

Morrison said the overall goal of the Master Plan is to assist as a recruiting tool for the university.

"[The plan is] designed to make these more convenient, more competitive, more attractive places to go to school and to fuel over the economic development," he said.

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dedicated to athletic and field expansions, \$485,600 for parking, \$530,000 for a campus-based restaurant at the defunct Mighty Moe's location and \$270,000 for vacant lots assembled by the city for the new Williamson College of Business Administration. The intended purpose for a \$16,000 purchase on Custer Street was not clearly defined in the campus's request. Its location suggests athletic field expansion.

"The city is aware, the area is aware where we're seeking to acquire property. If they own any property or have the ability to acquire property in that area, they will call and ask us as a good neighbor and partner," said Greg Morgione, YSU associate general counsel.

associate general counsel.

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The first step YSU takes when it wants to buy a property is to get an appraisal. If the value is less than \$100,000, one appraiser is consulted. If the value is greater, though, two appraisers must be used.

YSU used All American Real Estate Services of Canfield for all submitted property acquisition appraisals. Four purchases required two appraisals, which included J. Cappy Realty Inc. or Gary L. Tharp and Associates as secondary sources.

"Usually, whatever the appraised value is, is what YSU will offer," Morgione

On 17 occasions, YSU's offers matched the lowest appraisal. On the remaining two, the university undercut the lowest appraised amount and saved \$14,000.

Jean Cook, realtor at Howard Hanna Real Estate Services, said she believes that values on properties would improve when someone is trying to purchase a lot of property in a specific area.

Morgione didn't seem worried about the university having to pay more to achieve its goal.

"Sometimes people speculate and acquire properties around a campus, but we have a good relationship with people in those neighborhoods and they seem to

have been happy with our offers," Morgione said.

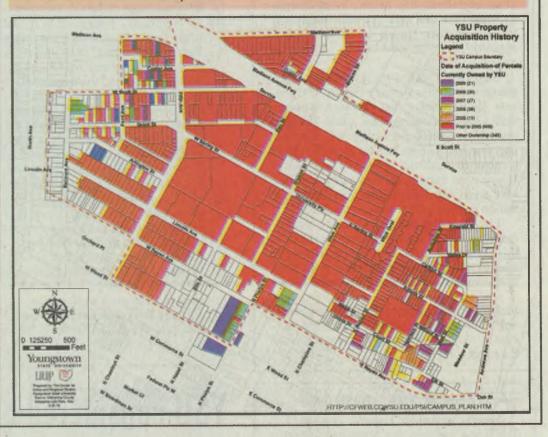
YSU offered \$10,000 less on one property that had an earlier sale in 2009 and \$6,900 less on three properties that had earlier sales in 2008. The Controlling Board denied and deferred purchase proposals totaling \$620,000 for Mighty Moe's and an adjacent property owned by Mohammad Fard. Fard purchased the

properties in the early-1990s for \$169,640.

"We are still hopeful to acquire those," Morgione said. "The state I think was questioning how did he pay so little and it appraised at such a different price. It might have been because number one, he got a great deal, and number two, after talking with him I think the seller at the time was motivated. In that case, there was a large difference between what he paid for the property and what it

appraised at."

YSU plans to supply additional information to the state so it can add those properties to its list and get one step closer to being able to build the projects outlined in its centennial plan.



# First 4G Android phone from Sprint and HTC this summer

Brier Dudley
THE SEATTLE TIMES

The 4G phone race is on. Sprint and HTC announced a 4G-3G combo phone they'll begin selling this summer.

"Not only is this feature-rich device incredible on our Sprint 3G network, but Sprint 4G speeds will take mobile multimedia, including live video streaming, gaming and picture downloads, to a whole new level," Sprint Chief Executive Dan Hesse said in the release, issued from CTIA.

Pricing of the HTC EVO 4G will be released later, but you can take a leap by pre-registering for the device today at Sprint.com.

The EVO has a 4.3-inch touchscreen 1 GHz Qualcomm Snapdragon processor, 8 megapixel autofocus camera with HD-capable video camcorder, plus a forward-facing 1.3 megapixel camera.

It also has a built-in hotspot feature that lets up to eight WiFi devices share its 4G connection. That could make it a great accessory to devices like the WiFi only version of the

iPad, or help make friends at a coffee shop or bar with a poor connection.

Spring and HTC poked at Apple in the release, men-tioning that the EVO's support of Adobe Flash "ensures that rich Internet content, such as embedded video and animation, are displayed the way they are meant to be

The EVO has the HTC Sense interface, plus features such as a "Friend Stream" that aggregates updates from social networks and a "polite" ringer that quiets a ringing phone when it's picked up, the release said.

News of the device follows Clearwire's announcement that it's bringing 4G service to more cities, including Los Angeles, and will reach 120 million people by the end of the year.

T-Mobile's also talking up improvements to its 3G network, the majority of which will be upgraded to near 4G speeds with HSPA+ technology by year-end, reaching 185 million people.

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Hyde Amendment, and the executive order will do the same, along with setting other measures to prevent circumvention of the restrictions laid out in the new law.

The executive order, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Hyde Amendment all restrict the use of public funds for abortion "except in cases of rape or incest, or when the life of the woman would be endangered."

The Hyde Amendment came in 1976 as a response to the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court case Roe v. Wade. In the historic case, the Supreme Court established a common law precedence restricting states from

taking away a woman's right to abortion in the first trimester of pregnancy. It ruled the first trimester ends when the fetus becomes viable.

Although the Patient Profection and Affordable Care Act only looks to uphold laws on public funding of abortion, it has seen much criticism from both pro-choice and prolife supporters. Some pro-choice supporters, such as Planned Parenthood, argue that the law takes away a woman's access to insurance that will provide funding needed for abortion, forcing her to pay out of pocket. Some



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pro-life supporters, like the National Right to Life, have consistently referred to the law as "pro-abortion."

Lepak said he finds the potential for Senate review of Obama issuing an executive order as they debate the reconciliation bill passed by the House Sunday interesting.

"I rather doubt that republicans would want to challenge that action, or reinterpret it in a hostile or critical way," he said.

As for the Democrats, he doubts that the majority leader Sen. Harry Reid "would let anybody rock the boat at this point."





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for the activities for our staff to accomplish next. Our second volunteer, Jared Buker, reporter, attempts to overcome his awkward dance moves in a ballroom dancing class! Read on to follow him along his adventure, and maybe you will take the challenge, too.

# Dancing with the staff



Jared Buker REPORTER

It's June. I'm in a stiff tuxedo. My feet are aching from the rental shoes, and my ears are ringing from the feedback of the speakers. The disc jockey fades out the music and announces the final song of the night. I spring from my seat, slip off my plastic dress shoes, and begin executing the perfect YMCA. The bride and groom laugh as I wear out my socks on the dance floor. I am the hit of the wedding.

I'm also 6 years old. Fourteen years later, things are different. I despise the thought of dancing in front of people unless there's a blinding strobe light distorting everyone's vision. There's something impeccably awkward about a gangly, self-conscious

kid with his hair in his eyes trying to look smooth. I have two left feet, and they're pigeon-toed.

The odds of me ever being a good dancer are about the same as the proverbial snowball in hell. So when I decided to attend a dance class taught in Beeghly Center, I really only had one thing on my mind.

Don't step on anyone's

My partner, Ty Sidney, can attest to the fact that I kept my feet to myself. Problem was, I was so focused on my shoes that I rarely looked away from

To prepare for the class, I watched the first few episodes of ABC's "Dancing with the

That didn't help.

But anyone who saw the start of the new season will understand the mantra I used to get through the class.

Be like Evan Lysacek, not Buzz Aldrin.

To clarify, that just means try and be graceful like an Olympian, not sluggish and wheezy like an aging astro-

All kidding aside, Ty and I caught on quickly, to our surprise. We learned the country two-step, which is the ideal dance for beginners because you don't actually lift your

feet off the ground. The two-step is very traditional. You put your hand basically on the shoulder of your partner. It took several strangers telling me to get my hand off their hip for that to sink in.

The class was taught by Dustin Jones, ballroom competitor and co-owner of the Fred Astaire Studio in

Youngstown. Talk about pressure.

Honestly, Jones was incredibly patient with the class, doing an excellent job of explaining the two-step in a way even the rhythmically-inclined could comprehend. After only an hour, I felt like I could almost trick someone into thinking I knew how to dance.

There was an undeniable sense of family amongst the dancers in the class. This was the nicest group of people I've ever met. It's nice to feel so welcome when entering a situation that is foreign to you, and I would absolutely be thrilled about going back to learn a new style of dance.

Dustin told me that my performance was actually quite impressive. He felt I picked up on the movements quickly, was rhythmic, and had great footwork.

Tell that to my high school tennis coach. He once told me I had the grace of a vending machine.

One thing I learned about the two-step is that, for the most part, the man is in control. This is a daunting task when you lack the necessary confidence, but by the end of the hour, I felt like that old self-consciousness had melted

Dustin said that was what the class is all about.

'When you realize how much you can learn in an hour, it gives you the confidence you need to be a good dancer," Jones said. I would be skeptical about such a concept if I hadn't faced my fears and seen it firsthand.

So with my newfound confidence, I feel like the next logical step is to join the "Dancing with the Stars" crew.

I just need to get famous.

# Meet Chatroulette: The new social media

Lamar Salter **ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR** 

As far as Internet trends go, Chatroulette, a webcam based Web site created in November, is probably the closest to breaking a person's comfort zone.

Think of it as the next generation of a standard chat room. Its premise is remarkably simple. Users log onto the Web site and, with nothing more than a webcam and a keyboard, are shuffled among thousands of other strangers. Once a connection is made, users are randomly put into contact with one another and are able to communicate via face-to-face or text chat.

What separates this new Internet trend from other social networking fads is the goal in mind. Unlike Twitter and Facebook, which heavily promotes networking among friends, family and co-workers, Chatroulette breaks down the walls of social familiarity and instead welcomes anonymity.

As the directions on the Web site explain, Chatroulette is essentially a game that challenges an average person's curiosity. Sometimes a user gets the luck of the draw with meeting new people and building relationships, but other times the Web site reveals a little more than what people would expect.

Almost as interesting as the Web site itself is its creator.

In an interview with The York Times, the Web site's mastermind revealed himself to be 17-year-old Andrey Ternovsky, a Russian boy who was looking for new ways to entertain himself.

Bored of using Skype, a voice-calling Internet service to talk to his friends, Ternovsky told the newspaper that he brushed up on his computer code and created a new way to interact with people. Eventually, others got word of Ternovsky's work; before long Chatroulette became one of the most talked-about Web

Cue the insanity.

Although there is an ability to report any explicit and/ or offensive content, the Web site is basically unsanctioned. With what you see literally in the hands of a stranger, logging on is a metaphorical roll of the dice. Reporting users does not permanently solve the problem either, as suspension of an account only bans the user from

accessing the service for about

10 minutes Chatroulette's saving grace is the "next" button, which, when clicked, immediately disconnects the users, ending the conversation. But taking a sudden exit does not completely negate the damage that has been done.

Youngstown State University Sophomore Brian Garcar sent a warning out to new users of the Web site.

"Don't go on after 10 [p.m.] or you'll see things that you don't want to see," Garcar said. Garcar is referring to the incredibly graphic scenes a typical user might run into.

Web site BuzzFeed has gathered a collection of screenshots of notable content seen on the Web site. One of the images depicted a middleaged man dressing up in a leopard costume. When asked by his stranger via text what he was, the man simply responded, "I'm a cat."

Other screenshots are of a

more offensive nature. The most commonly reported scene is the graphic depictions of users pleasuring themselves on camera, but other reports have included racially motivated scenarios as well.

Some users have reported witnessing scenes where strangers sit proudly in front of Nazi flags on camera in attempts to shock people into

"nexting" them. But controversy sells as evidenced by Chatroulette's heavy traffic, which is running at over 902 million visitors and counting since its inception, according to Alexa, a Web information company.

The Web site has even attracted the likes of celebrities too. Screenshots of Paris Hilton and the Jonas Brothers using the service have been posted on BuzzFeed.

According to Entertainemnt Weekly, singer Ben Folds performed a tribute to a musician and notable Chatroulette user, only known by his alias Merton. Merton has earned some considerable popularity for performing musical riffs on the fly while on the Web site for the strangers he encounters. Other users eventually started to suspect the user as Folds, which was eventually refuted by Folds himself.

Nevertheless, during a concert on March 20 in Charlotte, N.C., Folds setup a webcam by his piano and, dressed in the same outfit as Merton, logged on and imitated the popular

user on stage.

Despite the constant media attention by networks like NBC and Comedy Central, veteran Web site developers have not picked up on the Internet craze.

YSU Web developer Ross Morrone has admitted to checking out the Web site, even chuckling at some of the recordings he has seen, Merton included, but said he hadn't participated.

'It's kind of dumb to me," Morrone said with a laugh. "It's just another passing fad in my opinion."

But passing fads have been known to make more of an impact than originally expected. Take Facebook co-founder Mark Zuckerberg or Twitter creator Jack Dorsey for example. Both pioneers had an early start in computers and wanted to find new ways to connect using technology.

Their paths to success almost imitate Ternovsky's cur-

rent situation. But Morrone is not bitter to see the success of Chatroulette. In fact, Morrone said he saw it as a plus in his endeavors as a

"It makes me try to think outside of the box in what I am doing," Morrone said.



Matt O'Mansky takes notes during the meeting for the students who are planning on attending the trip to Israel this summer. O'Mansky, from the department of Sociology and Anthropology, is planning the trip where students will travel through the cities of Bethlehem and Tel Aviv.

# Students to take summer trip to Israel, dig into biblical history

Juliana Hull News reporter

Matt O'Mansky Youngstown State University's department of Sociology and Anthropology and Helen Sinnreich from the department of Judaic and Holocaustic Studies are planning a trip to Israel this summer from Aug. 4-29. The trip carries a total of 6 credit hours, with the department of history and 3 with the department of Archaeology; students must register in the fall for these two classes. Sinnreich said any student from any college or discipline is welcome on this trip, but they must show a genuine interest in "seeing the sights and digging up new ones.'

O'Mansky, who had gone on trips in the past to Guatemala and El Salvador, said the total cost of the trip is \$2,800, which includes air fair, accommodation, travel and most of the meals. Fall tuition is not included and there will be extra opportunities

to see Petra and Jordan, which may cost more.

Students will travel throughout Israel to visit Tel Aviv, Bethlehem and other major cities. They will also be given the opportunity to see the mountain fortress Masada and swim in the Dead Sea.

"Its four weeks and the first half of the trip is traveling Israel, seeing sights and learning about its history," O'Mansky said.

The other half of the trip is a two week archeological dig in Jerusalem wich will give students the opportunity to discover "artifacts reaching all the way back to biblical times." There will be extensive lectures on the trip along with joining the Ramat Rahel Archaeological Project.

O'Mansky encourages students to get involved with this study abroad program to make their resume stand out among others.

"Study abroad on your job application makes you stand out, I am a huge supporter of study abroad. Its such a thing that I try to get students

interested," he said.

Sinnreich hopes students will go to experience the three major religions in the world and to discover many lesser-known religions.

"Where else in the world can you go and see places from the time of Abraham and Jesus and then two minutes later be in an ultra-modern city? It's an amazing beautiful place," she said.

Senior anthropology and biology major Ryan Steeves has gone on study abroad trips before to South America and Guatemala and says O'Mansky encouraged him to go.

"I try to go anywhere I can, riding the camels is going to be pretty awesome," Steeves said.

Sophomore history major Arielle Mincher says she is a little bit nervous because it's a controversial area in the world but she still is excited to go.

"I'm going because I think it is a very important place for an archeologist to see. It's one of those things I've always wanted to do, but I never expected it to be through school," she said.

# Lemon Grove hosts student poetry readings

Gary S. Angelo FEATURES REPORTER

The Student Literary Arts Association, a cooperative group of Youngtown State University students, has been running the Youngstown Reading Series, which brings eclectic poets and authors to Youngstown.

YSU English professor and author Chris Barzak originally operated the Youngstown Reading Series, but turned over the project to YSU students to give them experience in organizing community arts activities. Barzak now serves as adviser for the SLAA.

On April 29, the Youngstown Reading Series will host an event featuring readings by YSU seniors from the SLAA at the Lemon Grove Cafe.

Through the Youngstown Reading Series, the SLAA organizes events for published authors to come to Youngstown. The Youngstown Reading Se-

ries events are held on the last Thursday of each month at the Lemon Grove Cafe. SLAA brings in authors from outside the Youngstown area, including Pittsburgh and Kent. At the end of every event, an open-mike reading is offered.

President Andrea Armeni and Vice President Chris Lettera run the SLAA. Armeni said that the Youngstown Reading Series provides advantages to students.

"The program gives students exposure to famous published authors," Armeni

Armeni said the SLAA is more than just a group on campus, but an instrument for students to become active in community arts.

"The Student Literary Arts Association is relatively new and was formed in December of 2008. We are working on building up members and raising money. We are trying to get funds together, but currently we are focusing on the Youngstown Reading Series," Armeni said.

# Relay for Life student teams raise money for research

Chris Cotelesse REPORTER

April 16 will mark the ninth Relay for Life at Youngstown State University, where teams rally together to raise money for cancer research. Some YSU student groups top the list of local fundraising organizations, one of which is a crew of Respiratory Care students who have a special interest in

Mary Y

Mary Yacovone, faculty adviser for the team, said it's close to the chest of their program.

"We are Respiratory Care, after all," she said.

Team captain Cindy Pallot, a junior in the Respiratory Care program, said they begin to work on the next year's Relay For Life the day after the event.

"We work on this all year for one night. It's well worth it. It's a fun night," she said. The team sells coffee, soda, chips, raffle tickets, baked goods and wooden roses all year long to aid, in raising funds for cancer research. Yacovone said the roses were a big hit for Valentine's Day, and the team has a bucket in the lab and lounge for donations to the cause.

Lauren Furnkase, one of the team's co-captains, said in addition to the group's fundraising efforts and donation collections from local businesses, the team has "been conceptually building our project for months and physically for weeks."

Last year the team won the coveted Spirit of Relay award, as well as Best Campsite. The team took third in numerous other categories.

"We have some big shoes to fill. We want to win it all," Yacovone said. "It's not too late for students to start or join a team. Come make us not win."

# Stand-up show in Youngstown revives local comedy

Jared Buker REPORTER

The art of stand-up comedy seems relatively foreign in Youngstown, but a group of Youngstown State University students is looking to help change that.

Jason Howell, Allison Lattanzi, Natalie Haynam and Yvonne Hajaj are four students who took a community service project and transformed it into a charitable night of comedy revival titled "Laugh to Save the Animals."

On Friday at 7 p.m., the Lemon Grove Cafe will host a comedy show featuring a dozen comics from around the area. Howell, a comic himself, will be the master of ceremonies for the night.

"The thing comedians around here need to do is reach audiences that want to hear comedy," Howell said. "In order to do that, we have to perform."

The idea for the event originated when a group project in a communications course brought the four together. Their teacher, Tricia Perry, encouraged them to be unique and offered the support of the communications department in promoting the benefit show.

A Chinese auction will also be held, with prizes donated by local businesses like Arby's in Kilcawley Center and Subway on Rayen Avenue. All proceeds will be donated to Alchemy Acres Animal Sanctuary in Salem.

"We want to benefit Alchemy Acres because it has a no-kill policy," Haynam said. The group also selected the shelter because it treats wild animals and helps release them back into the wild.

Howell said finding available comedians was not dif-

"Comedians are always looking for ways to get their names out, and it helps that I'm friends with all the performers," Howell said. "Besides, we're attention junkies, and everyone knows a junkie will do anything for their next

With many comics in the area, it seems surprising that so few venues house such entertainment. Larry Simpson, one of the 12 comedians performing at the benefit show, said it would be his first time doing his routine in Youngstown, even though he lives in War-

"I think something like this could definitely spark a sudden interest in comedy shows," Simpson said.

Howell, who has performed with all of the comedians, is excited for the event.

"We have our foot in the door, and we all know that we just have to keep doing what we do," Howell said. "I believe with all my heart that it will pay off."

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Jason Howell

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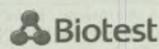
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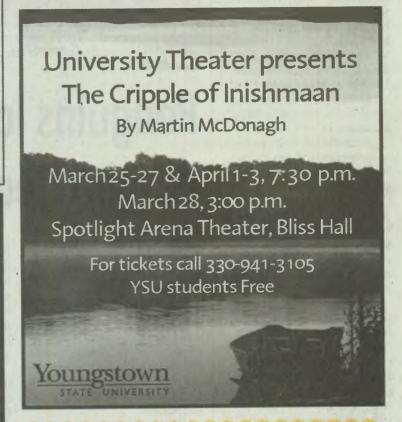
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# Youngstown joggers hit the ground running

**Tared Buker** REPORTER

The Youngstown Road Runners Club is an organization of cross-country enthusiasts that has made it their mission to promote distance running as a competitive sport.

Dan Shields, public relations officer for the YRRC, has worked hard to make the club productive.

"I have been a runner for 14 years, 11 of which were in service to the YRRC, Shields said.

When the organization began, it conducted weekly However, competitions. more organizations began putting on races, and the YRRC began just providing a timing service for those events.

Since then the group has flourished, now conducting two races a year and hosting regular runs for its members.

The YRRC held its 21st annual Mill Creek Distance Classic at Mill Creek Park on March 7. The event featured a 5K run and a halfmarathon of 13.1 miles.

Attendance had never been higher for the event, which boasted 654 participants.

Even with so many competitors, YSU students won both races. Sean Finnerty was victorious in the 5K run, and cross-country runner Jimmy Ramson won the half-marathon.

Shields said the Mill Creek Distance Classic has become one of the country's most popular races.

"That race gives you a feeling of having accomplished something good and doesn't beat you up like a full marathon does,' Shields said.

The second race held by the YRRC each year falls right before area schools begin their official seasons. It is designed to prepare young joggers for competition.

cross-country YSU coach and former YRRC member Brian Gorby appreciates the role the group has played in his success as a coach.

"Most places don't have useful things like the YRRC to get people interested," Gorby said. "So many of my runners have had success that they can partially attribute to the club.

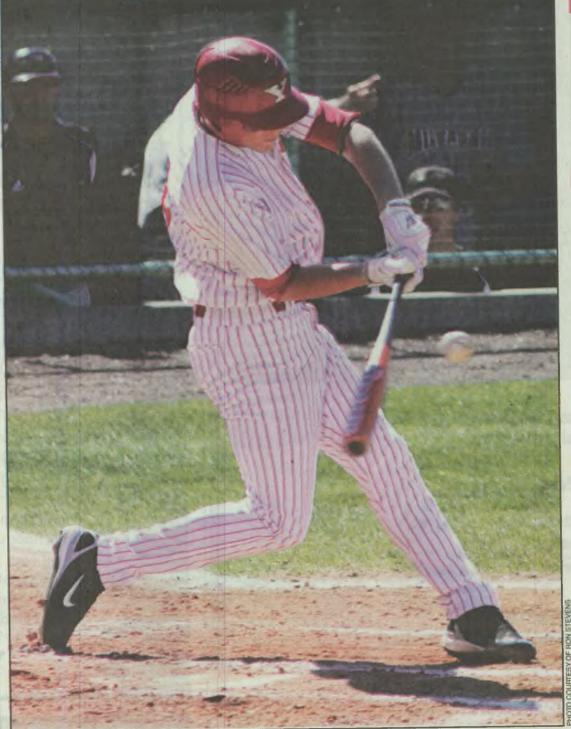
For the past eight years, the YRRC has provided a YSU scholarship for a local runner. Despite being a non-profit organization, the YRRC maintains an endowment each year to fund the scholarship.

Lauren Blase was this year's recipient. Blase said the YRRC prepared her to run at the college level.

"I was in the group be-fore I started at YSU," Blase said. "I love that people of all ages get the chance to run together and have

Blase has broken four school records in crosscountry during her career at YSU

Additionally, Shields and the YRRC helped establish a program that provides running shoes to local Suburban League high school students who cannot afford them.



Senior Jacke Healey drives into a pitch for Youngstown State University. Healey hit two homeruns against Kent Štate University on Wednesday but it was not enough as the Penguins fell 6-5 at Kent State.

# Penguins lose 6-5 to Kent State despite Healey's two homeruns

Keith Langford Jr. SPORTS EDITOR

The Youngstown State University baseball team has had a solid start to the season by way of its non-conference share of the schedule. The Penguins are 8-7 for the season with their conference schedule on the horizon.

showed Penguins some muscle on a recent road trip through Philadelphia with solid wins against the Saint Joseph University Hawks and the La Salle University Explorers this weekend.

The Penguins took advantage of the long ball to defeat the Explorers 7-5 on Friday. Three different Penguins hit home runs. Senior Jacke Healey continued to sizzle from the plate as he hit a two-run home run in the seventh inning. Junior Joe Iacobucci hit a solo home run in the eighth inning and senior Eric Marzec hit a two-run home run in the sixth inning.

The next day, the Penguins defeated SJU 9-5. The Hawks committed four errors and the Penguins took advantage. Junior pitcher Phil Klein pitched 5.2 innings, allowing one run and four hits. He was awarded the no decision after a four-run eighth inning by the Hawks. Senior Trent Wood won his second game of the season after pitching 0.2 in-

Moving forward to action Wednesday afternoon, the Penguins fell short as they let another late inning lead go by the wayside. The Penguins lost 6-5 to the Kent State University Golden Flashes after holding a 5-3 lead heading into the bottom of the ninth inning. The Penguins could only assemble five hits in the loss.

"We got to learn how to close out a game," head coach Rich Pasquale said.

Senior Jacke Healey had a monster game in defeat. Healey hit two home runs and added three RBIs for the Penguins in the loss.

The Penguins will now look to carry their early season steady start into the tough Horizon League schedule. This weekend, the Penguins will to Indianapolis to battle Horizon League foe Butler in a threegame series.

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#### BASEBALL

Mar. 27	@ Butler
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Mar. 30	@ Duquesne
Mar. 31	CANISIUS
April 2	UIC
April 3	UIC
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April 7	DUQUESNE
April 9	VALPARAIS
April 10	VALPARAIS
	MAL DADAGO

April 10 VALPARAISO April 13 @ Niagara **AKRON** April 14 **LeMOYNE** April 17

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April 23 MILWAUKEE MILWAUKEE April 23

BUTLER April 25 BUTLER April 25

#### SOFTBALL.

**CANISIUS** Mar. 30 @ Robert Morris Mar. 31 BUTLER April 3 BUTLER April 4 April 7 @ Toledo @ Loyola April 10

@ Loyola April 11 @ Detroit April 14 April 15 @ Detroit April 17 WRIGHT STATE

WRIGHT STATE April 18 **CLEVELAND STATE** April 20

**CLEVELAND STATE** April 21 UIC April 24 April 25 UIC

April 28 Niagara @ Valparaiso May 1

#### **WOMEN'S TENNIS**

April 10 BUTLER April 11

WRIGHT STATE DUQUESNE @ Detroit April 18

#### **MEN'S TENNIS**

@ Cleveland State Mar. 26 **GREEN BAY** Mar. 28 @ Valparaiso April 2

@ UIC April 3 BUTLER April 10 WRIGHT STATE April 11

April 18 @ Detroit April 22-25 Horizon League

Championships

#### Vacant women's coaching job attracts many applicants I would bring in more com-

#### Chelsea Miller SPORTS REPORTER

A dismal season for Youngstown State University women's basketball team and the resignation of head coach Cindy Martin after only two seasons did not deter the application process in the search of a new head coach. Currently, 82 hopeful applicants have applied for the position, some from Big Ten schools.

Associate director of athletics Elaine Jacobs said applications will still have to be reviewed before a candidate is picked. The process will be difficult in that many of the coaches are well qualified for the position, she said.

On the list of 82 candidates contributed by Jacobs, a few names can be easily recognized. Bernard Scott, current assistant basketball coach at YSU who has been with the team for two years, is apply-

Another hopeful is Gwen Burton, assistant coach at Chi-

cago State University. Burton is in her sixth season with the basketball staff. Prior to working at CSU, she served as assistant coach for the Grand Rapids Blizzard, a now nonexistent National Women's Basketball League team. Burton also worked as assistant coach at Martin Luther King High School in Detroit, where she led the team to consecutive semifinal appearances. As a player at Allen County Community College, she held the record for career three-pointers with 120 and averaged 16 points per game. Now Burton hopes to try her hand at head coaching a Division I school and helping turn around a failing program.

to bring the program back to where it used to be in the '80s ... is a great opportunity for me, if I can. Back then, it was exciting to watch," she said.

use her skills as recruiter to get the team back on top.

The opportunity [at YSU] Burton said if hired she will

"I'm a recruiter," Burton said. "I recruit top athletes ...

also believes he can help turn things around for the Penguins. In his third season at Bucknell, Laster has the experience turning failing programs around. While working as head coach at Defiance College, he led an eight-win turnaround for his team to improve their record

munity to be supportive of the

team. If you have a great com-

munity, you have a successful

coach at Bucknell University,

Corey Laster, assistant

to 14-11 during his second season as coach. Laster also arrived at Taylor University with a season record of 4-20 which he led to 25-3 and a fifth place showing in the National Small College Athletic Association his next year with the team.

Laster said despite a record of 3-57 the past two seasons at YSU, he sees potential in the program.

"Even though it was a very rough season ... there's a lot of potential," Laster said. "I enjoy the rebuilding aspect of the program."