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## New vaccine may thwart HIV infection

Dan Pompili  
ASSIST. NEWS EDITOR

Researchers in Bangkok, Thailand, have successfully produced a vaccine capable of preventing Human Immunodeficiency Virus infection in humans.

A combination of the AIDSVAX and ALVAC vaccines, both previously unsuccessful by themselves, the as-yet-unnamed vaccine has reduced infection by 31 percent in clinical trials.

The trial, involving more than 16,000 volunteers, was the world's largest to date.

Conducted by the Thailand Ministry of Public Health, the study was sponsored by the United States Army and the

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

Col. Jerome Kim, who helped lead the study, told the Associated Press, "It's the first evidence that we could have a safe and effective preventive vaccine."

The United Nations agency UNAIDS estimated 2 million AIDS deaths in 2007. Applying the results of the vaccine trials, 62,000 fewer people would die.

Dr. Diana Fagan, associate professor of biological sciences at Youngstown State University, said the vaccine is "a big deal."

Fagan explained that the new vaccine works somewhat like the Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Treatment (HAART) currently used in the United States, because it attacks more than one part of the virus.

Commonly called the "cocktail," HAART is an amalgamation of several antibiotic medications that attack HIV in different ways.

HIV is different from most viruses because it uses its own proteins to replicate, rather than those of its host. While human proteins lead to consistent cell replication, HIV proteins make "mistakes," causing mutations of the virus. When the virus mutates, human antibodies no longer recognize it and therefore cannot attack.

HAART is successful because it can attack different sites on the virus. Where one of its component medications fails because the virus mutates to avoid it, another component will succeed.

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The Tunnel of Oppression, located in Kilcauley Center, features posters, videos and audio that intend to invoke discussion.

## Tunnel of Oppression prompts awareness, understanding

Gary S. Angelo  
FEATURES REPORTER

Located in the Presidential Suites on the second floor of Kilcauley Center, the Tunnel of Oppression is a creative effort to bring awareness of individuals who are oppressed in society. The Tunnel of Oppression was brought to campus by the Youngstown State University Office of Housing and Residence Life. Originally established at Illinois University, the

Tunnel of Oppression is an active instrument used to bring awareness of diversity to college campuses.

This exhibit is complete with student-made posters, videos and audio clips that deal with stereotypes, slavery, racism, homelessness, religious oppression and genocide. The tunnel encourages students and others to forge together and accept each other's differences.

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## Trustees release Pres search ad

Dan Pompili  
ASSIST. NEWS EDITOR

As of Sept. 29, the Youngstown State University Board of Trustees approved a 12-page profile and position description to engage the advertising phase of the presidential search.

Drafted for use in advertisement and recruitment, the document will begin running in selected media outlets this week.

While Board of Trustees chairman and Presidential Search Committee chairman Scott Schulick could not be reached for comment in time for publication, Storbeck/Pimentel search consultant Dr. Charles Bunting did provide insight regarding the process.

"This is just a first step," Bunting said.

The ad will be published in local newspapers as well as "the types of journals people in the higher education community would read." Bunting specifically mentioned the Chronicle on Higher Education.

Those interested in the position will then submit applications directly to Storbeck/Pimentel. The firm will then research the applicants and forward their determinations to YSU's presidential search committee, who then provides a determination to the entire Board of Trustees.

The document contains a profile of YSU, including its history and an overview of academics, budget, faculty and insight into the Youngstown area.

The position criteria section includes lists of 14 professional characteristics and six personal characteristics, as determined through open forums with faculty, staff, students and community members.

The search committee intends to narrow their focus to 8-10 candidates for in-person interviews no later than mid-November. The interviews will take place in Cleveland in December.

The Board of Trustees could receive a list of three to five final candidates as early as mid-December. Those candidates will visit campus in January, and final reference checks will take place in February.

The Board intends to make a decision at its quarterly meeting in March.

## YSU Named 'Military Friendly' by GI Jobs

Julianna Hull  
REPORTER

GI Jobs magazine has recently named Youngstown State University Military Friendly for 2010. GI Jobs is a national magazine for military men and woman transferring from military to civilian life. It honors the top 15 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools who are heavily engaging to accept students who are pursuing a military

career.

According to GI Jobs magazine, "The tens of billions of dollars in tuition money, now available with the recent enactment of the Post-9/11 GI Bill, has intensified an already strong desire by colleges to court veterans into their classrooms."

Capt. Dan Mueller, who has been with the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at YSU since February of 2008 said, "Other military people will look for that (ROTC) program before picking a school.

It will benefit the university in the long run."

Mueller also said that he "knows our community is very well represented by the veterans in our area, it shows throughout the year that the campus has embraced its veterans as a community."

Maj. Patrick Williams of YSU'S ROTC Program said a lot of people look for that in schools before they choose one.

"The fact that the university was named military friendly doesn't change how

we do business at ROTC. We're hoping that the fact that YSU was named will bring more veterans to campus," Williams said.

Jim Olive, director of Veterans Affairs, said he thinks it's a great designation for YSU to be named military friendly.

"Our community in this area is always supportive of our armed forces," he said.

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## News Briefs

### Alcohol awareness advocate to visit campus

Brent Scarpo, an advocate for alcohol awareness, will be presenting his "Last Call" program on Tuesday, Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. in

Kilcawley Center's Chestnut Room. The purpose of the program is to educate students about responsible drinking behavior and the culture it creates throughout campuses.

### ESPNU to broadcast basketball games

According to a YSU press release, ESPNU will nationally broadcast two men's basketball games.

The first broadcast will be from Beeghly Center as the Penguins host Milwaukee on Jan. 22.

The following game will take place eight days later when the Penguins visit Cleveland State on

Jan. 30. This is all part of ESPNU's annual Horizon League coverage.

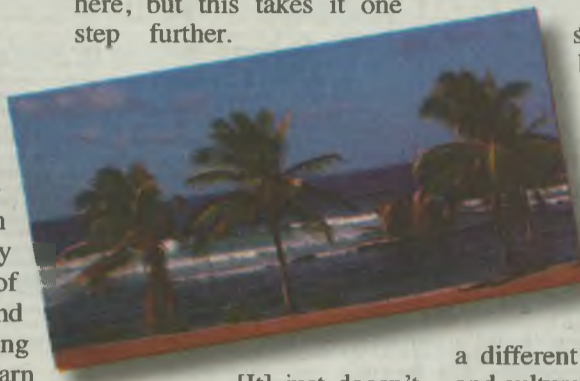
## Dr. Shaklee takes finals week to the Bahamas

Alicia Patillio  
REPORTER

On Dec. 10, the students of Dr. Ronald Shaklee's Geography to International Studies class will be en route to the Bahamas.

Shaklee, Youngstown State University geography professor and director of the University Scholars and Honors Program, said during the semester, students learn about the history, weather and environment of the Bahamas. For the course's final exam, students actually travel to the Bahamas, where they gain

hands-on experience. "You can do the same thing here, but this takes it one step further.



[It] just doesn't measure the experiential value," Shaklee said.

Shaklee said the trip offers students the opportunity to explore caves, beaches and

oceans, but also tour the island and experience the culture.

"I can show something on a blackboard, but this experience gets your hands dirty," Shaklee said. "For a number of students, this is their first time out of the country. It will introduce them to a different racial background and culture."

The duration of the trip is Dec. 10 to 19 and the cost is \$1,250.00, which includes airfare, meals, room and board and transportation.

Shaklee first journeyed to the Bahamas with a class in 1988 when he began his YSU career.

Since then, Shaklee has taken more than 500 YSU students to the Bahamas field program; Shaklee said anywhere from four to 30 students attend during the fall semester.

The program takes place on San Salvador Island and is stationed at the Gerace Research Center, which is an old Navy base, Shaklee said. Other departments, including geology and archaeology, have offered classes in the Bahamas.

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## New partnership opens doors to YSU business students

Josh Stipanovich  
NEWS EDITOR

The recent partnership between the Youngstown Business Incubator and Youngstown State University's Williamson College of Business Administration has allowed for the launch of the Entrepreneurial Internship Program, which is set to begin this fall.

According to WCBA dean Betty Jo Licata, the main objective of the program is to allow students to better understand entrepreneurship and its concepts while giving them the necessities to generate and develop the knowledge needed to work in the field.

Licata said that the in-

ternships awarded this fall are all co-funded with the Youngstown Business Incubator and its Portfolio Companies, which include BizVeo, SenSource, Syncro Medical Innovations and the Business Incubator itself.

BizVeo offers Internet-based multimedia instruction and expertise testing solutions. SenSource is a company based solely on technology, while the Portfolio Company at the Incubator is focused mainly on advocating other entrepreneurial programs with YSU.

"This was one additional step as a way to create more entrepreneurship opportunities for our students and to support our entrepreneurship program," Licata said. "It's a meaningful way in which we can connect our students with

the business community and provide our students the experience and provide that additional expertise to the companies."

Licata said YSU's role would be mainly on an academic level.

The way the internship is designed and what the expectations are include the students being able to link what they've learned in their business and entrepreneurship courses with what they're doing on the job ... None of these internships pigeonhole the students in just

one area."

Julie Michael Smith, YBI chief development officer, said in a YSU news brief that YBI is very excited and willing to

expand knowledge of entrepreneurship and business in the area.

"YBI is strongly committed to encouraging entrepreneurship in the Mahoning Valley, and we are excited to partner with YSU on this internship program," Smith said.

Student interns will be expected to work 15 hours a week for one semester; salaries will be paid by YBI and the WCBA's Monus Entrepreneurship Center.



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got an opinion?

## Vacant land to be used to drill for cash

Josh Stipanovich  
NEWS EDITOR

Youngstown State University is seeking to have a gas well drilled on a piece of vacant land, which could mean \$200,000 or more in profit over 20 years.

"It's one of those things that we became aware of the mineral rights [that] existed and because this area is rich in natural gas ... we were approached by one of the drilling companies, and [the well] could produce for 20 years. It could produce as little as a stream of \$20,000 a year or it could be several hundred thousand dollars a year ...

it could be dead," said YSU Board of Trustees chairman Scott Schulick.

Schulick said the land, which is adjacent to Liberty High School, was given to the university as a gift many years ago, but is the location of the Liberty High School football team's practice field. Schulick said he doesn't think the drilling would affect the high school because in the future, the land may be sold to them, although YSU would maintain the mineral rights. "I don't think [drilling] will at all. It was our intent to sell it to Liberty anyway, so there's probably the chance that we'll continue to explore ultimately selling the land to

Liberty down the road here," Schulick said. "The university really didn't have any use for the land."

The decision to sell the land was put on hold after finding out that they could lease the land to drill for gas.

Austintown's Ohio Valley Energy Systems Corp. was given the job to drill for the gas out of a single well for two years said Atty. Greg Morgione, YSU associate general counsel, in a Vindicator article.

Schulick said that Ohio Valley Energy Systems Corp.

and YSU would both bring in revenue, but that the drilling company would be "taking all of the risk" because they're drilling on their own.

The lease would allocate YSU to install its own pipelines, which would allow for 300,000 cubic feet of free natural gas for each year to use in buildings on campus Morgione said in a Vindicator article.

On the other hand, YSU can opt out of that by taking the money up front through cash royalties, which could mean a total of about \$240,000, Schulick said.

## What qualities do you think would make a great YSU president?



"Trustworthy, responsible, wants to know everyone's opinion."

Mandi Moran, freshman



"Someone that is gonna be open-minded about transportation... like having more snow days."

Jason Zirafi, junior



"Leadership skills, personal skills, good public speaking -has experience with YSU-knows our problems and how to fix them."

Chad Mask, sophomore

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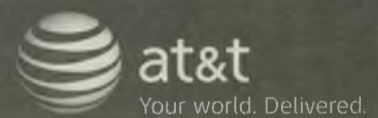
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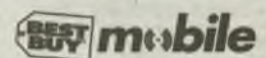
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# Google rolls out preview of Wave

San Jose Mercury News  
MCT

Google hit a key milestone Tuesday for a product that the search giant hopes will transform how people communicate and collaborate online, and perhaps hook more users on Google's menu of Web-based services.

Google Wave, which combines elements of e-mail, instant messaging and social networking to allow groups of people to collaborate on a task in real time, was previewed starting Tuesday to more than 100,000 developers and users who have signed up to try Wave and give Google feedback on how well it works.

Developed by a small engineering team led by Lars and Jens Rasmussen, the brothers who engineered Google Maps, the idea behind Wave is to move toward a kind of universal inbox — where e-mail, video, maps, photos, text messages and even voice conversations can all become data objects to be shared and manipulated in real time by a group connected to a wave.

Wave is a platform, which is a series of services, on top of which developers can create applications that supplement it. Google has been working hard to engage outside software developers to write applications that will run on Wave, creating services that will lure users and provide a potential source of revenue.

Executives pumped up expectations when Google first revealed Wave at its annual developer conference in the spring, using words like "magical" and "unbelievable" to describe the impact they said Wave could have on Internet communication.

Developers such as Ribbit, a Mountain View, Calif., startup purchased last year by BT that bills itself as "Silicon Valley's First Phone Company," already have written applications for Wave that Google featured on its official blog Tuesday.

"If you have an e-mail and an instant message and a voice call, that can all be navigated in the same wave," Ted Griggs, Ribbit's CEO, said in an interview. "It's no longer e-mail is one container — and SMS (text messaging) is one container — and all these things are silos. Wave is breaking those silos down."

Wave users running Ribbit's applications could, for example, hold a telephone conference that would connect through any kind of voice communication — a cell phone, a land line or voice-over-Internet — and then store a recording of the resulting conversation as an audio file or transcribe the conversation into a text document embedded in the Wave.

Another application Google demonstrated on its blog Tuesday included a group of friends in scattered

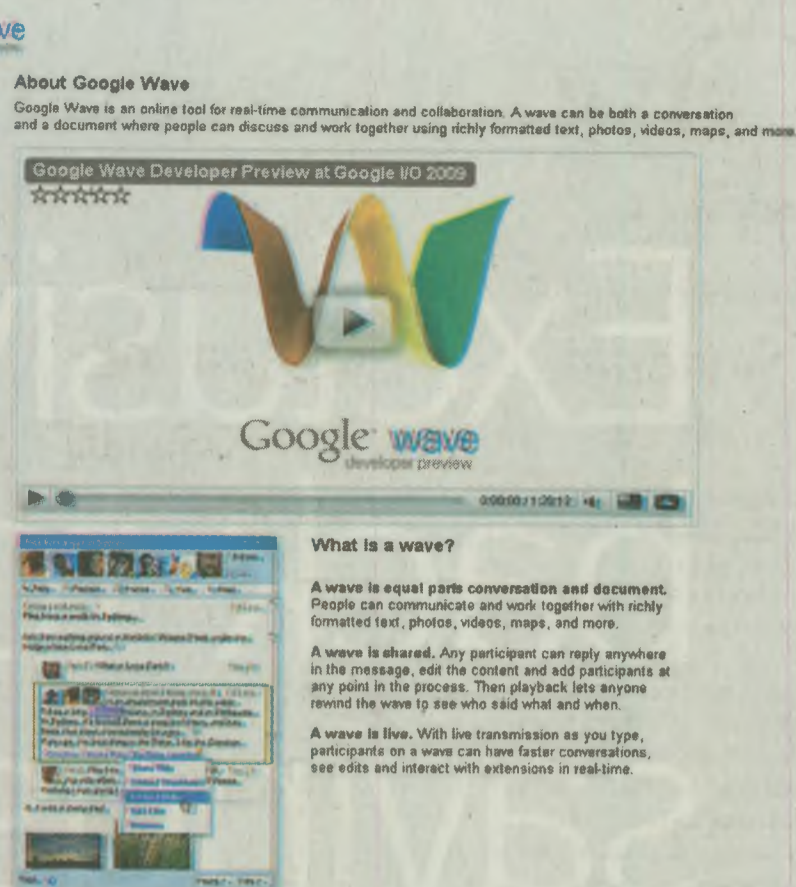
locations using the online version of the Lonely Planet guides to plan a trip to Australia through Wave, searching out attractions in Melbourne with Google maps, reading Lonely's Planet's description of those places, messaging their thoughts with the rest of the group, and collectively writing up a day-by-day itinerary, within one wave.

Real-time collaboration on the Web "is a natural evolution" for how people use the Internet, said Rony Zorom, founder and CEO of Watchitoo, a startup that allows people to view video and other Web content simultaneously with their friends, and that plans to soon offer video conferencing and real-time document editing to companies and schools.

"It started as e-mail being the major platform for communication, moved on to instant messaging, and you can see social networking taking those broad approaches as the major communication platform. I think the next trend is basically collaboration," Zorom said. "I think more and more companies see that as the next trend on the Internet."

Zorom doesn't see the more complicated Wave replacing the simplicity and clarity of e-mail, however, and for Google, there's another hitch.

Wave won't run well on Microsoft's Internet Ex-



plorer, by far the most widely used Web browser. Because Wave uses the newest HTML standard, which has not yet been incorporated into Microsoft's browser, Internet Explorer users will first have to install a "frame" — essentially a browser within a browser — from Google's Chrome browser to use Wave. Google says Wave runs just fine on Apple's Safari 4 browser, Mozilla Foundation's new Firefox 3.5 browser, and of course, on its Chrome browser. The Chrome frame, Google says, will be invisible to Internet Explorer users but will greatly improve the performance of a Microsoft browser. Microsoft, however, is warning users not to install the Chrome frame because of security concerns.

Other critics also are warning of problems.

"The overall effects of Chrome Frame are undesirable. I predict positive results will not be enduring and — to the extent it is adopted — Chrome Frame will end in growing fragmentation and loss of control for most of us, including Web developers," Mitchell Baker, chairman of the Mozilla Foundation, wrote on his blog this week.

Others have speculated that because Wave won't run on Internet Explorer, it is a kind of a Trojan horse in Google's browser war with Microsoft — a backdoor play to switch people to Chrome. (Microsoft declined to comment on that scenario, and a Google spokesman denied it.)

But Ronald Gruia, an analyst who follows emerging telecom trends for Frost & Sullivan, said Google's play is probably much broader than getting people to try its browser.

If Wave helps introduce users to other Google software that resides online — Google docs competes with Microsoft Office products like Word and Excel, while Google calendar competes with Microsoft's Outlook — Gruia said it could indirectly bolster the value of Google's advertising, the company's primary source of revenue.

"The better Google can get to know you as a person, the more targeted their advertising can become and the more they can charge for it," Gruia said. "The more Google products you use, the stickier you are for Google, and the more they will also get to know about you."

## New technology lets users set data to self-destruct

Scott Canon  
MCT

What if you could send an e-mail to a co-worker, text a friend or post something on Facebook confident that it would eventually self-destruct?

So long, immortality. Hello, peace of mind.

Consider the technology that a quartet of computer scientists at the University of Washington introduced to the world in July. It's called Vanish, and it's designed to make your electronic messages do just that.

"With self-destructing data, users can regain control over the lifetimes of their Web objects, such as private messages on Facebook, documents on Google Docs, or private photos on Flickr," the researchers wrote in the paper announcing their work.

They suggested the scenario of a fictitious Anne confiding to a friend the details of her troubled marriage. Anne might want to confide in her buddy, but as soon as the message had been read by that friend it could only pose trouble. Anne's complaints about her husband might later prove embarrassing, damaging in a divorce or an obstacle to reconciliation.

Even if she had used robust encryption, a court order might someday subpoena the key — and with it, her secrets.

But what if she sent a message encrypted by software, and the key to unlocking it

— an almost impossibly large number — would be scattered across the Internet?

Inevitably, a piece of the key would become lost over time, erasing hopes of reopening the message at a later date.

Such technology challenges the Digital Age adage that removing something from the Internet is like getting pee out of a swimming pool. In this case, however, some things could actually evaporate in cyberspace.

A trick like that would have spared then-lawmaker Mark Foley from revelation of the sexually loaded text messages he thumbed out to a congressional page. It could mean a college freshman could post drunken half-naked self-portraits without worry that the same images might foul a future job interview. It could mean a new sense of online privacy.

Yet, like almost every new information technology, it poses its share of fresh dilemmas.

Criminals with a touch of computer know-how already can encrypt messages as they plot their schemes. But they could be legally compelled to unlock their messages. With a concept like Vanish, the key to unscrambling the coding would be lost.

"Anything that impedes law enforcement's ability to track e-mails could be a problem," said former FBI agent and security consultant Jeff Lanza.

Even innocent users might need to be careful.

"You can end up with unin-

tended consequences," warned Robert Gezelter, a contributing editor to the Computer Security Handbook.

First, he said, beware of trusting the technology. Just because e-mails or text messages have a limited shelf life doesn't mean their contents will necessarily disappear. The recipients could cut and paste the missives into other files. They could take screen shots. Or they could simply print them out.

Next, he said digital documents are as likely to exonerate as to convict. They can establish alibis, state of mind, knowledge or ignorance of facts that might swing a lawsuit or turn a criminal case.

"It doesn't quite do what you think it does," Gezelter said, "and it does what you don't want it to do."

The self-destructing data remain a seductive idea for people concerned about privacy. Nearly all of us have hit the send button on something we regret — whether we regretted it immediately or years later.

No less than Google, the behemoth that charts our Internet existence, recognizes that we don't necessarily want to pass on even what we just wrote.

Its Gmail service can promise to routinely delay sending your e-mail for a few seconds while you consider what you're sending. It even offers "mail goggles" to users who don't trust themselves to always be sober enough to man a keyboard, forcing senders to answer math problems before

delivering their outgoing e-mail.

Yet firms such as Google also serve as repositories for what many people consider private, with its Web-based e-mail and its so-called cloud computing services that store untold numbers of files in its server farms around the world.

Even when a user deletes a file, it doesn't mean that the company that hosted the file kills it as well, or that it doesn't exist on a backup tape somewhere in the firm's network.

"That's why these self-deleting things could be helpful," said Robert Gellman, a privacy and information policy consultant to government agencies, trade associations and businesses. "There's the question of what happens to your data when you delete it."

Many of the oft-overlooked terms of service for Web-based computing services retain the right to use the data how and when they fit the companies' needs, he said, rather than their customers'. And because data storage is fast becoming so inexpensive, Gellman said it might be cheaper to continue saving digital files than to sort through what to delete and what to keep.

Gellman said you need not be paranoid or criminal to want to keep your secrets. He said someone running for the city council shouldn't be haunted by a text from his teens. Nor should an adult have to worry about a health insurance company sorting through messages to uncover a pre-existing

medical condition.

"We have lots of legitimate reasons to protect our privacy," he said.

Even with Vanish, however, it might not be so easy to do.

Two months after Vanish was introduced to the world, computer scientists from the University of Texas, the University of Michigan and Princeton University collaborated to create Unvanish.

Vanish's creators had never actually contended that it would be impossible to revive a self-deleted message, just impractical, and said that it would cost more than \$850,000 to comb through enough Internet databases to put the encryption key back together.

But this month the makers of Unvanish said they could make a few computers appear to look like several and gather enough data to restore the key, and the documents it could re-suscitate.

Within days, the Vanish creators said they had modified their software, again making it ever harder to crack.

In fact, such jousting matches are at the very heart of the computer security and cryptography fields. Defenses go up. Hackers outwit them. More clever defenses are put in place. And the game goes on.

"As computer scientists, we all want to use the best ideas to build the best systems," said Emmett Witchel, a University of Texas-Austin computer scientist who helped make Unvanish. "We all want to test each other."

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### OUR SIDE EDITORIAL

## Same old story

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As we stand on the platform of change in our ever-growing society, America is faced with great challenges involving the economy, health care and the environment.

But still, old wounds tend not to fade, as evidently shown in headlines and everyday occurrences. While others might argue that oppression and racism will fade in time, the scars of society's past will serve as a constant reminder that we have a long way to go.

Although it may seem repetitious, the Tunnel of Oppression serves as an abrasive reminder of the scars America carries on its back, scars which must be tended to if we ever expect them to heal completely. Viewing the pictures and the exhibits in the Tunnel is meant to create a community forum and time for reflection.

The road to social equality is not a one-way street. We must accept that people are different; be it color, appearance or manner. Every day we will face challenges that we do not agree with and people we aren't like. It's the way we deal with it that yields the results we expect from others.

Perhaps it's our differences that will tell the story and truly unite us. The Tunnel of Oppression may be ending this week, but the words and pictures in the Tunnel will carry on long after the rooms are dismantled.

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## Roman Polanski and the long arm of the law

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DALLAS MORNING NEWS

Fugitive film director Roman Polanski learned over the weekend that you can't outrun the long arm of the law. Swiss police nabbed the confessed sex criminal as he arrived in Zurich to accept a film festival award. Now Polanski, 76, faces extradition to Los Angeles County, where prosecutors have waited more than 30 years for the rapist to show up for sentencing.

Polanski, who has been galivanting around Europe scot-free since fleeing sentencing on his 1978 sex conviction, never

saw it coming, but he certainly had it coming. Anyone who feels sorry for Polanski having to live in exile all these years and now facing the prospect of extradition and a prison term in the United States should understand what Polanski did to land in this mess. He drugged, raped and sodomized a frightened 13-year-old girl.

Polanski eventually pleaded guilty to having had unlawful sex with a minor but skipped the country before his sentencing. Since then, he has lived primarily in France. Not long ago, his victim, now married with children, reached a civil settlement with Polanski and publicly forgave him.

But that doesn't settle Polanski's debt with the law. Earlier this year, ruling on a petition to dismiss the initial charges against Polanski, a Los Angeles judge said the director might have a case based on judicial misconduct but that the filmmaker first would have to return to the United States and turn himself in. Polanski refused. Now, assuming that the U.S. files a formal extradition request and that the Swiss court does the right thing and honors it, that decision may have been made for Polanski.

The cultural elite in Hollywood and in Europe are screaming bloody murder over the arrest. The Zurich Film

Festival jury even released a statement accusing the Swiss government of "philistine collusion" with American authorities. That's a stomach-turning judgment, betraying a belief that Polanski's status as an artist puts him above the law. Somehow, one doubts they would have reached this conclusion were Polanski a cleric and his victim an altar boy.

How fortunate are the people of Los Angeles County that their district attorney's office believes celebrity and artistic accomplishment doesn't give one the right to rape a child with impunity and that it has a memory as long as its reach.

## Letter to the Editor

Editor,

I am writing this letter to the editor in response to the September 29th article entitled, "Health Care Debate on Campus Heats Up." Dr. Tammy A. King, Associate Dean of the Bitonte College of Health and Human Services, spoke of the health care debate that is facing America. The Jambar wrote the following, "King said the major question was whether or not health care is a right for Americans. She said now that everyone agrees it is a right, 'the objective is to come up with a plan that will be fair and equitable.'" I

wholeheartedly disagree with Dr. King's statement that "everyone" agrees health care is a right. As citizens of the United States of America we are granted certain rights, however, nowhere in the Constitution does it state that health care is a right. We are granted the right to freedom of speech, the right to assemble, the right to bear arms, the right to freedom of religion, and the list goes on; but nowhere does it state we have the right to health care. Our Constitution also grants the Federal Government twenty-four enumerated powers, none of which

grants the Federal Government the power to regulate health care for its citizens. When the Federal Government goes against the enumerated powers granted to it, their actions can be deemed unconstitutional. The issue here has nothing to do with whether health care is a right or not, it is whether the politicians in Washington will actually act in the best interests of the American people. According to a Rasmussen Reports poll released September 28th, 41 percent of Americans are in favor of President Obama's health care plan, while 56 percent

of Americans are against his plan. Are the politicians listening? It is quite clear Americans do not want "big government" health care. If the politicians truly wanted to act in the best interest of the American people, they should forget about pushing an unconstitutional piece of legislation through Congress and worry more about getting people back to work and keeping this nation safe from terrorism.

Michael Metzinger  
Youngstown  
Co-Editor MVRed.com

## Putting the heat on U.S. Chamber

MCT

Sacramento Bee

On the issue of climate change, PG&E \_ the massive, privately owned utility that serves most of northern California \_ has been a leader, taking steps to reduce the utility's own carbon footprint.

Now PG&E has stepped forward once again, pulling its membership from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce because of the chamber's over-the-top opposition to climate

change legislation and regulation. This is a great move that other companies should follow.

PG&E's chairman and CEO, Peter Darbee, said he was withdrawing the company from the chamber because of "fundamental differences" over climate change. Darbee's discomfort has apparently been building for some time. The final straw was the chamber's call for a special trial to challenge climate change science, along the lines of the Scopes monkey trial, at which the theory of evolution was

debated in the 1920s.

"We find it dismayed that the Chamber neglects the indisputable fact that a decisive majority of experts have said the data on global warming are compelling and point to a threat that cannot be ignored," Darbee wrote in a letter to the chamber. "In our opinion, an intellectually honest argument over the best policy response to the challenges of climate change is one thing; disingenuous attempts to diminish or distort the reality of these challenges are quite another."

Darbee noted that other

business groups, including the Edison Electric Institute and the U.S. Climate Action Partnership, have sought to build consensus for constructive solutions to global warming rather than taking the combative approach pursued by the chamber.

The chamber, he said, has "forfeited an incredible chance to play a constructive role on one of the most important issues our country may ever face." It's hard to argue with that.



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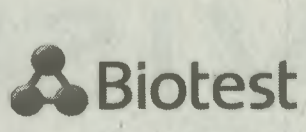
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**Aries (March 21-April 19)** - Today is a 9 - You say what you mean today. But do pay attention to the response you get. It matters.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** - Today is an 8 - Romance extends beyond personal relationships to include your work and extracurricular creativity. Enjoy!

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** - Today is a 7 - When talking about your feelings, remember those of the other person. A female may challenge your social position.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** - Today is an 8 - You warm up to the subject right after your first cup of coffee. Others chime in, and suddenly you have a plan.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** - Today is an 8 - All systems are go for fun, profit and love! Take advantage of the moment.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** - Today is an 8 - Take care of details today (as if you don't always do that). Conversations lead in positive directions. Take notes.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** - Today is a 7 - Open your mouth. Try not to insert your foot. Instead, serve yourself some sweet remarks.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** - Today is an 8 - Actually, the gods are on your side today. Use this advantage to get what you need from a female.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** - Today is an 8 - All systems are go. Record your message early, and replay it frequently. That way you believe it yourself.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** - Today is a 7 - You have a hard time balancing all of your acts today. Respond to e-mails or letters that were on the back burner.

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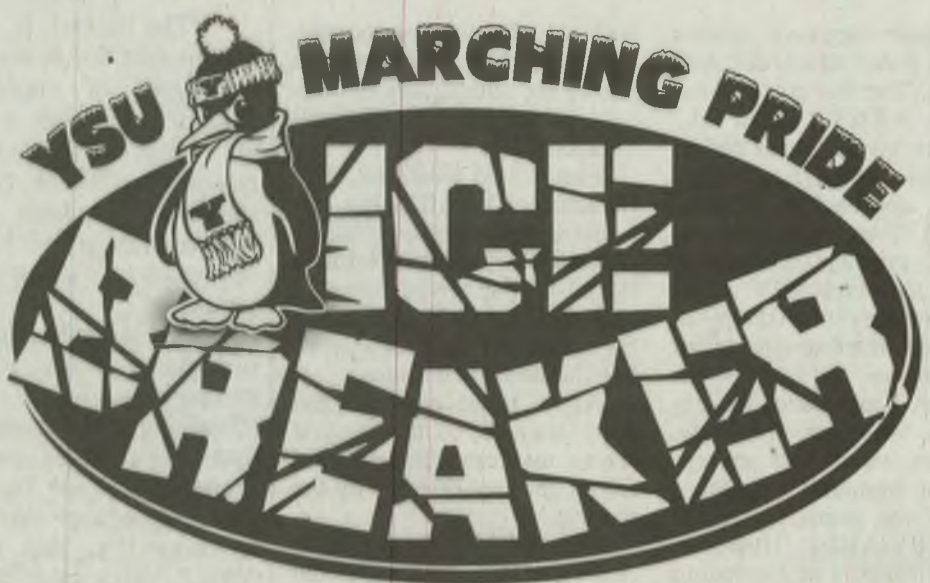
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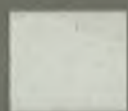
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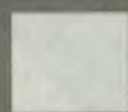
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## AIDS page 1

The new vaccine is similar because it can attack different proteins. The two parts of the vaccine, AIDSVAX and ALVAC, are given over a period of several months in a "prime-boost" approach. Subjects received four injections of ALVAC, priming the immune system to attack HIV. Then two injections of AIDSVAX are administered to strengthen the response.

ALVAC introduces the canarypox virus into the body. The virus, which does not replicate in humans, introduces three of the genes that comprise HIV/AIDS. However, it is not capable of producing the whole virus. These genes produce the proteins required for cell invasion, replication of viral proteins, and determining replication speed.

AIDSVAX introduces the GP120 protein, which is responsible for cell invasion—also present in ALVAC. The problem with this vaccine is that while it trains human antibodies to attack the virus before cellular penetration, the antibodies do nothing after the cell is infected.

AIDSVAX was the first vaccine ever to advance to "late-stage" testing, but failed two large trials in 2003.

Fagan said that a major problem encountered in HIV/AIDS treatment is the rapidity

with which mutation occurs. She suggested this mutation rate as the reason why 60 percent of trial subjects were still infected.

Fagan also said that, like influenza, HIV/AIDS has different strains. The new vaccine currently only addresses strains B and E. The strain currently affecting American victims is B, so the vaccine may work here in the United States.

Africa, however, is afflicted with strain C, so the vaccine shows no immediate promise for a continent ravaged by the disease.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration said additional testing is required before U.S. licensing could be considered. It is not known whether the vaccine will be licensed in Thailand.

Fagan said it could take five to ten years before the vaccine is approved by the FDA. She also said that the vaccine could be similar to the flu vaccine, in the need to update it annually, because of the constant rate of mutation among the varying strains.

Still, Fagan insisted the results of the trial are promising.

"Out of 100 people, 30 are going to live without HIV."

Fagan said 100 percent would have been infected had they not taken part in the trial.

## TUNNEL page 1

"The tunnel is several rooms that focus on different types of oppression," said Brandi Veigh, a graduate assistant in residential education. "These types of oppression include racism, heterosexuality, religious oppression, slavery and genocide."

Veigh said the tunnel of oppression takes place at campuses across the country. "Students at community and state colleges across the United States see Tunnels of Oppression, and we decided to bring that idea here to YSU," Veigh said. "Its purpose is to open students' eyes to what is going on and it's a very sobering experience."

Emily Wollet, a graduate assistant in residential education, said, "The more time and thought students put into walking through the tunnel, the better their eyes would be open."

The tunnel is comprised of candid photographs of homelessness in addition to society's gender stereotypes.

"The tunnel is supposed to bring awareness to these issues," Wollet said.

Wollet noted that there was a section of the Tunnel of Oppression sponsored by the Collegiate Black and Christian organization that deals with brick kiln slavery in South Asia. The Tunnel of Oppression also features

historical audio clips, such as speeches by Martin Luther King Jr.

The Tunnel of Oppression does not just educate the student body about individual suffering, but also calls for students to express their feelings and constructively talk about ways to deal with racial and religious issues, as well as stereotypes.

"At the end of the tunnel, we have Building Blocks of Hope where students can write ways that they could combat oppression," Veigh said.

The Tunnel of Oppression ends this week.

## ROTC page 1

Olive claims the war in Iraq has changed the way we look at our soldiers but "we have learned to separate the war from the warrior. We don't hold our troops responsible for the war, we just support the men and woman who fight the war."

Along with Williams and Mueller, Olive thinks the GI Bill has something to do with all the veterans at YSU.

Governor Ted Strickland created the Ohio GI Promise on July 8, 2008, and according to the Ohio Board of Regents, "The Executive Order granted authority to the Chancellor of Ohio's Board of Regents to deem qualified veterans as Ohio residents for the purpose of qualifying for in-state tuition rates."

Other benefits YSU provides for veterans are assis-

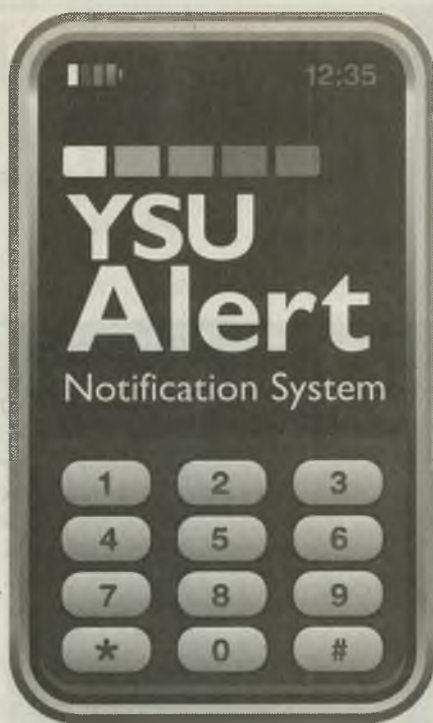
tance for students who have served or are currently serving in the army in "attaining their educational goals" and advice and support for veterans in "addressing the needs and issues of students with active duty military experience."

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## New show sheds 'Light' on Wick Avenue arts scene



Rick Pollo  
REPORTER

Downtown Youngstown's Wick Avenue happens to be a busy place, and not just in reference to traffic. The strip that cuts through the university serves as a mecca for the campus' art scene, and is home to the Butler Institute of American Art, The McDonough Museum of Art and the Youngstown State University College of Fine and Performing Arts.

Oftentimes, despite the frequent occurrence of interesting events, many tend to go unnoticed. Simple brochures and fliers don't always reach their potential audience and fall short of today's many popular multimedia outlets. That's why the department of communication has decided to shed

some light on the subject, in the form of the "Light the Wick" series.

"Light the Wick" is a weekly television broadcast filmed in Bliss Hall; it is broadcast through Blip.tv. The project is backed by the College of Fine and Performing Arts, as well as its dean, Dr. Bryan DePoy. The program's mission is to keep students and interested others in the loop about the arts. Weekly episodes can be viewed at <http://www.lighththewick.blip.tv> or <http://www.fpa.ysu.edu>.

Dr. Fred Owens, communication professor, serves as project director for "Light the Wick." His Seminar in Telecommunications class, along with Broadcast News Practices that is taught by WFMJ's Matt Stone, are the two courses involved in the project. Owens said the project was a "plan for adding productions to the telecommunications department."

Executive producer Cheri Jones said those in the telecommunications department felt it was time to begin a new project, especially in the wake of the success of "Homework Express."

"We want 'Light the Wick' to be a show featuring what's going on here at campus and the unique people that might otherwise be looked over," Jones said. "We are hoping to get our brand out there and eventually compete with other universities like Kent State and Ohio University with our broadcast."

"Light the Wick" comes at a time when YSU is experiencing a record year for enrollment. This could mean substantial increases of revenue and interest for what "Light the Wick" is featuring. Owens acknowledged that the project is a "multi-faceted asset for the university" and "a great sample of the character of the university." The crew said it is important to report local hap-

penings and get both the campus and the community involved.

"YSU students should care because we, their peers, are creating this show for them, and we want them to want to sit down and tune in every week to see what we have for them," Jones said. "We are also trying to target the community, specifically YSU alumni, because we think it is vital for the university to have the support and interest from these people."

Jones said many theater, music and art department productions pass unnoticed; "Light the Wick" seeks to highlight those three specifically, but also "hopefully gain their support in the process."

"We've worked really hard to get this show up and running, and we really hope to gain the support of YSU and the surrounding areas," Jones said.



## Super Predator lays its sonic nest at the Royal Oaks

Gary S. Angelo  
FEATURE REPORTER

Massillon, Ohio's space rock act Super Predator adds an eclectically-progressive touch to the stoner rock genre. On Friday, Super Predator will eat up the Royal Oaks stage with local favorites Album and Rocket Radio. Formed in 2006, the band includes Eric Blankenhorn, aka "Earth Tiger," on guitar and vocals, Steve Engel, aka "Black Cobra," on bass and vocals and Dan Meinhart, aka "Power Bear," on drums and vocals.

Super Predator draws from an expansive sphere of influences including the late-'60s, post-psychedelic guitar drones of Mountain, to the post-modern angular noisy feedback approaches of Sonic Youth and Six Finger Satellite. Engel was a member of the technical hardcore act Franklyn, which is where the band gets a heavy dosage of punk attitude as well as '70s grooves.

Aside from the quintessential blues-influenced tones on the tracks "Embryonic Peep Head" and "8 Million Days," the Black-Sabbath-meets-Uriaiah-Heep dark mysticism consistently looms throughout Super Predators' music. The group can easily entice fans of the popular Clutch with their infectious funk grooves layered over fuzzed-out guitar riffs. When it boils down to music, Super Predator consumes a healthy dosage of Southern stoner metal, East Coast/Midwest noise rock and '70s electric blues.

The band wants to put out a complete riff-laden, full-length CD before next year. Super Predator has six tracks on their MySpace page; these

**"We have always had a hard time adapting to the earth's atmosphere and we went through many drummers."**

-Earth Tiger

were recorded at Akron's Lightning Rock Records.

"We are playing the Ohio circuit with all Ohio rock bands as much as we can, considering our earth visas," Blankenhorn said.

Blankenhorn's real passion is playing for crowds in Youngstown.

"There is nothing better than playing in the gorgeous city of Youngstown in the fall," Blankenhorn said.

A few months ago, the band played a packed show at the Royal Oaks with Album and Akron's Kill The Hippies. Blankenhorn said he is not in a tremendous hurry to put out a Super Predator recording, but instead enjoys playing live and refining the band's sound.

"We are waiting on recording till the future has met us," Blankenhorn said.

Nothing keeps Super Predator from bringing on the non-stop rock.

"We have always had a hard time adapting to the earth's atmosphere and we went through many drummers," Blankenhorn said.

Super Predator isn't afraid to allow the punk attitude to infiltrate their music, such as with the chorus on "Blue Demon." The band will also take the stage at Pats in The Flats in Cleveland on Saturday, Oct. 3.

# Biking for benefits

Patrick Donovan  
CONTRIBUTOR

The story began nearly a year ago when Scott Finamore had the idea of traveling to California.

"I was riding my bike a lot and I figured what better way to avoid paying for gas? It really started as just another one of my crazy ideas," Finamore said.

Soon Finamore's crazy idea of pedaling across the country made it to the ears of his friend Sam Malaska, who later told Finamore he wouldn't let him travel alone.

That in November 2008, Cali-for-Kids was born with a handshake and a promise of commitment to a journey and a cause that would quickly morph into something much bigger than either of the two young men could have imagined.

"We knew we wanted to do this for charity. I can remember Sam saying we have to do it for kids. We wanted to keep the money in the [Mahoning] Valley; this place will always be home, and we just wanted to give back," Finamore said.

After some phone calls, Finamore got in touch with Joan Stock, the director of developments at Akron Children's Hospital Mahoning Valley.

"Joan was great. She really showed us the ropes and gave us all the numbers of local media to contact. She was so helpful," Finamore said.

Following a meeting with Stock, the real work of Cali-for-Kids began.

"Between studying, training, working and trying to raise money, the winter literally melted away before we knew it," Finamore said. "I swear, some nights I would wake up thinking I was pedaling my bike."

As spring approached and donations began pouring in, the two got their first big break from Ron Glove, the owner of Boardman's Cycle Sales.

"The equipment he donated and discounted for us, really made the ride possible," Malaska said.

After announcing the plans for the trip to their mothers live on the Louie Free show, Finamore and Malaska began to realize that May 9 was quickly approaching. A

benefit rock show, featuring Finamore's band and held at Chipper's Sports Bar in Youngstown, marked the last surge of donations before the boys' departure.

"The concert was great; it just capped off everything. People in this valley really have big hearts," Malaska said.

After waking up at 5 a.m. on May 9, the cyclists met a news crew from 27 WKBN and a few friends in the Cycle Sales parking lot. After a short interview, the two friends set off on their adventure.

"I remember passing Denny's, thinking we did it, this is it, we had finally put a walk to our talk," Finamore said.

Joined by a friend, the trio rode all the way to Akron before stopping for the night.

"That first day was a reminder of the reality of what we were planning on doing; the wind kicked up and we were ready to get some real sleep after about 55 miles," Finamore said.

On the road, Finamore and Malaska met many amazing people; they referred to these people as "road angels."

"There are just too many people to mention them all. Someone was always there with some money for lunch or a kind word. But I will never forget Jerry," Finamore said.

Jerry Lenhart, a man the boys met upon crossing the Illinois border, was the first to offer them a place to stay.

"He opened up his backyard for us to camp, and his wife, Shelly, made us the biggest stack of pancakes I have ever seen," Finamore said.

The trip was by no means all smiles and kindness, Finamore said. When the pair needed a break, their bodies told them.

"Flat tires in Nebraska, hiding under a bridge from a sandstorm in Utah and the plain exhaustion were just some of the problems," Finamore said. "Actually, we were lucky to avoid serious injuries."

The wear and tear on the riders' bodies was beginning to take its toll when they finally made it to Colorado. After a week-long break, the friends were more than ready to continue.

"After a week off, we were totally refueled. Our legs were strong. Denver was like passing level one," Malaska said. Despite the good feel-

ings following their respite, Finamore and Malaska were in for what would prove to be the most physically- and mentally-demanding portion of the journey.

The size of the Rockies was baffling," Finamore said. "We were resting every five miles instead of every 20, and there were some mornings we would wake up and the tent would be completely frozen."

By the time Finamore and Malaska had crossed into Nevada, they were completely drained.

"When we reached the Sierras, we were 65 percent and I knew things were not going to improve," Finamore said. "There was just no chance to rest."

When the boys started the journey in Ohio, they were at 800 feet above sea level, but from the top of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, they were at 10,000 feet above sea level.

"The ride into Lake Tahoe was amazing. The journey was almost done and it was June 27, and we were going to make our planned date, which was the 28," Finamore said. "California and the Golden Gate Bridge were the cheese at the end of the maze."

As the pair arrived at the Pacific Coast and realized their journey was finished, they were a bit sad that it was over, but glad to be done.

"It was bittersweet," Finamore said.

In order to return to Youngstown, Malaska and Finamore traveled separately.

"When me and Sam said goodbye, it was like saying goodbye to a part of myself. We were a unit," Finamore said.

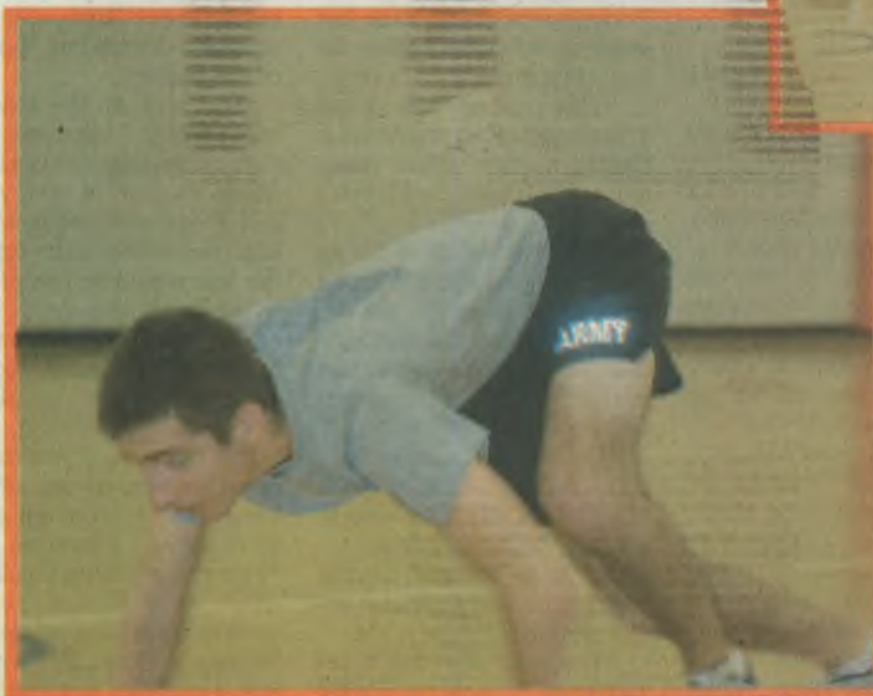
Overall, the Finamore and Malaska ended up collecting more than \$3,000. The money they collected is in an account at First Place Bank; it will be presented to the Charity Program Fund at Akron Children's Hospital.

Finamore is a junior sociology major at YSU and is an avid Frisbee player. Malaska is a Starbucks employee and a singer-songwriter with a passion for cooking.

While Finamore and Malaska don't have any concrete plans for a future ride, both expressed a desire to do more charity work.



## ROTC GETS ARMY STRONG FOR D.C. RUN



Students of the ROTC program participate in physical training at stambaugh stadium.



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## YSU students prep for famous 10-mile race

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On a cool early morning, the street lights still on in the city and the sky still as dark as night, the members of Youngstown State University's Army ROTC program are already active and ready to go. While the rest of the city sleeps, these students are at Stambaugh Stadium along with a host of sports-related groups commencing their physical training.

This serves as nothing out of the ordinary. In fact most of the students perform this duty three times a week. However, there are some students who are setting their sights a bit higher this year.

Every year, Washington D.C., becomes the site for America's largest 10-mile race, The Army Ten-Miler,

a huge event that brings together many members of the armed forces to participate in a challenging exercise.

Starting from the ground of the 2001 terrorist attack on the Pentagon, YSU's ROTC students will be racing through the city, passing around famous landmarks such as the National Mall and looping through historic monuments like the Jefferson Memorial.

In the ROTC office, students gather around to prepare for the morning. It's raining, so the students will be performing their physical training inside the stadium. Starting with general exercises and pulls, the training intensifies, demanding its participants to perform unorthodox sprinting sessions. At one point, a student falls behind the crowd and stops, almost to the point of complete exhaustion. Random chants of motivation and support echo the gymnasium

in efforts to help the student carry on.

Sgt. First Class Thomas Ericksen, who took lead in the physical training, talked about the teamwork involved.

"We worked on boosting morale with them," Ericksen said. "In our field of work, you can't work alone. We have to be a team."

Ericksen said that at the beginning most of the students work as individuals, but after molding and training, they start to work together as one. Participation in the Army Ten-Miler is voluntary. Entrants pay a general fee for submission and there are about 30,000 spots to fill.

Preston Dihle, a graduate student, ROTC member and captain of YSU's Ten-Miler team said the participants run around the city and its parks for practice. While Youngstown pales comparison to the nation's capital, the

added exercise is beneficial in preparation for the race, now in its 25th year.

Ericksen tells the students, now drenched in a sweat that has darkened their light gray Army T-shirts, to line up into two groups. The groups are then assigned to race each other one by one with the losing group forced to do an additional 50 push-ups. One by one, the students sprint as fast as they can to the other side of the gym and back, all the while continuous chants fill the room. Dihle said the winner of the race will receive a traditional military award, but emphasized that the biggest gain is more valuable than anything materialistic.

"The winners get a ribbon and probably a trophy of some sort," Dihle said. "But just being able to come out and participate is enough."

Still inside because of the weather, the students are

told to run up and down the stairs of the stadium. Already fatigued, the group slowly surrounds the staircase and begins to trot. Sounds of panting and foot stomps combine with more vocal mannerisms once again filling the walls and fading the higher they climb.

"As soon as they come back down, I'm going to make them go right back up," Ericksen said with a chuckle.

While it may just seem like tough love, Ericksen said that the constant work serves to prepare for greater challenges.

"Come test time, it'll seem like a breeze," Ericksen said.

With thousands of contestants, Washington D.C., will welcome not only YSU's participants, but countless other students who have run, pushed and crawled to achieve a different type of strength only a select few can accomplish.

# Penguins ready for return to Ice Castle

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Three straight wins for the Youngstown State University football team and a little momentum have the Penguins in good shape with a favorable October schedule.

The Penguins play three out of their next four games within the friendly confines of the Ice Castle.

The Penguins should take advantage of the schedule that includes an Oct. 17 bye week followed by the team's only road game in October the following week at Southern Illinois University.

With a win this Saturday against the Missouri State University Bears and next Saturday against the Western Illinois University Leathernecks, the Penguins could possibly sneak back into the top 25 in the Football Championship Subdivision polls. In the latest FCS poll, the Penguins received 90 points with the No. 25 ranked Colgate Raiders receiving a little more than double the Penguins point total with 192 points.

The Penguins are not worried about poll position right now as they are solely focused on the task at hand, beating a 2-2 Missouri State University team.

Head coach Jon Heacock wants his team to play hard and play every game as well as they can possibly play.

"You're going to have to go play as good as you can play every Saturday to have a chance. That's just to have a chance and then you're going to have to make some plays. They're going to have to be an interception ... a great catch ... a punt, something that changes the game to allow you to win," Heacock said in his weekly press conference.

The Bears come into the game against the Penguins losing their last game versus FCS powerhouse and Penguin nemesis Northern Iowa University, 35-7. The Bears scored a late touchdown in the fourth quarter by senior tight end Clay Harbor to avoid the shutout.

The Bears got the best out of the Penguins in their last meeting in 2008. The Penguins had won the previous three encounters before the Bears broke the trend and won last season's matchup on their home turf, 42-28.

The Bears are partaking in a road game this week. It's their first road game since an opening day loss versus the Southeastern Conference's University of Arkansas Razorbacks. The Bears had three straight home games and went 2-1 on their home stand.

Some key players to watch out for are senior tailback Miguel Warren, junior tailback Jonathan Davis, and senior tight end Clay Harbor.

Warren and Davis are the top two backs on a Bears team that does not boast one featured tailback. Warren

averages 5.1 yards a carry, while Davis has scored two touchdowns this season. Four Bears tailbacks have at least 20 carries on the season. Even the Bears starting quarterback junior Cody Kirby runs the ball with regularity. Kirby has the most carries on the team with 37 rushes for just 95 yards. Warren leads the way in yardage with 188 yards on 34 carries for the season.

A few defenders to note are senior linebacker Antoine Wilkinson and junior safety Derek Miller.

Wilkinson leads the team in tackles with 36. He also has two tackles for loss. Miller heads the secondary unit with 25 tackles and two interceptions on the season. These two Bears will need to elevate their teammates and their individual play in a hostile environment as the Penguins host their first Missouri Valley game of the 2009 season.

Good times and vibes are back to start the season for the Penguins as they are 3-1 and looking for another win against the Bears. The Penguins were 2-2 at this same juncture last season before promptly losing six straight games, dashing any hopes at the postseason. This season, the Penguins would like nothing more than to reverse that trend and build on their solid 3-1 start to the season.

A key element to the Penguins solid 3-1 start is the wide receiver position. Senior quarterback Brandon Summers undoubtedly leads the team, but his receivers make him look better. Three receivers for the Penguins have 10 receptions or more. Leading the trio is junior wide out Dominique Barnes. Barnes has 19 grabs on the season with 233 yards receiving and three touchdowns. Senior Donald Jones holds the catches lead with Barnes as he has caught 19 passes as well. Jones has 190 yards receiving on the year with two touchdowns. Last but not least out of this dynamic trio of receivers is senior Aaron Pitts. Pitts has caught 12 passes for 131 yards and one touchdown in 2009.

This trio of receivers and a balanced running attack with Summers making smart decisions should spell a strong showing for the Penguins. Include a defense fresh off a shutout on the road against Indiana State, and the Penguins should have a strong showing at home if all these components show up against the Bears.



Redshirt freshman James Cravens

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## YSU men's basketball featured twice on ESPNU this season

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REPORTER

The Youngstown State University men's basketball team will be featured on the national stage twice this season on ESPNU. It will be the first time the Penguins are featured twice on national television in the same season.

"All the teams in the Horizon League get one game televised on ESPNU, and some teams are fortunate enough to get two," Associate Commissioner for Communications and Multimedia with the Horizon League Will Roleson said.

In the first broadcast, YSU

will host the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee at Beeghly Center Jan. 22. For the second game, the Penguins take a trip north to visit Cleveland State on Jan. 30. Last year's upset win at Beeghly Center was also televised on ESPNU, and the enormous fan base that night aided YSU's chances for getting another nationally televised game.

"The student body made an impact on TV, the crowd and fans were ecstatic, and when you have that on national TV, a lot of people see it," said Jamie Hall, Assistant Sports Information Director at YSU.

Last year's upset over Cleveland State isn't the sole

reason for the second game this season, but played a key part in it according to Roleson, who is also in charge of contract negotiations with ESPN.

"We appreciate YSU's fans for packing the arena last year and hope Youngstown can have a game like last year with the same fan support," Roleson said.

The games on ESPNU, "are great for national exposure not just for athletics, but for the university as well, and it's a chance to showcase our campus on national television," Hall said. "There's a bright future for YSU basketball and being on ESPNU opens the door."



Senior quarterback Brandon Summers shown here focused as ever on his target. Summers on the season has completed 65 out of 103 passes for a completion percentage of 63.1 percent. Summers averages 174.5 yards passing per game on the season and has thrown seven touchdowns through four games this season.

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Sophomore Brittany Grove spikes the ball on her fellow teammates.

## YSU VOLLEYBALL SET FOR TOUGH ROAD TRIP AHEAD

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The Youngstown State University women's volleyball team will be on the road this weekend as they travel to play University of Wisconsin's Milwaukee and Green Bay campuses on Friday and Saturday.

The Penguins have been working hard during practice, and that hard work has finally paid off. After winning their last two games against the University of Illinois at Chicago and Loyola, YSU is now 2-2 in the Horizon League Conference and 4-10 overall.

Coach Joe Bonner said Milwaukee has always been a perennial powerhouse, but with his team's recent winning streak, YSU could do well.

Bonner said he doesn't wish to dwell on the competition, but rather to focus on the important aspects of the team.

"We're going to go about our business taking care of ourselves at practice, improving what we need to do," he said.

The Penguins will be led into the game by their middle hitters, Allison Heinz and Ruth Boscaljon. Boscaljon, a senior this year, was recently awarded the Horizon League Offensive Player of the Week and currently holds a career 1,173 kills and 428 blocks. She is cur-

rently third in both career blocks and kills on YSU's statistical charts and is on the Horizon League's Players to Watch.

Allison Heinz, also a senior this year, is eighth in the conference in hitting percentage, at .278, and also in blocks. She said of the upcoming game, "I'm really excited for this weekend. They're a tough team, but I feel confident we will beat them. We beat UIC this weekend, and we haven't been able to for a few years."

Brittany Grove, a sophomore outside hitter, believes the team will do well also, crediting their recent success to practice.

"We've been looking really strong in practice," she said. "We have a lot of energy that I think will carry into the upcoming game."

Green Bay has a record of 0-3 in the conference and 4-10 overall, and Milwaukee, 2-1 in the conference and 5-9 overall. Milwaukee could prove to be a challenging match, as senior Panther Lauren Felsing was named All-Horizon League choice and League All-Tournament honoree last year, and currently is ranked sixth in the conference in digs.

Coach Bonner is optimistic however, saying, "I think we're in for two challenging matches. We play them both on the road, but with the emotion and energy that our team has been playing with lately, I see a successful weekend ahead of us."



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*Brittany Grove, sophomore*

## Low-key legend heads championship YSU track and field program

Rob Harris  
REPORTER

Championship tradition doesn't belong solely to the wildly football program at Youngstown State University. It can be argued that the YSU track & field/cross country program has been more successful over the last 20 years, at least as in terms of conference championships. Since Brian Gorby took over as head coach in 1993, the program has won 17 championships, eight as a member of the Mid-Continent Conference and nine since joining the Horizon League during the 2001 season. In his tenure, he has also won an astounding 15 Coach of the Year Awards.

As a three-time letterman for YSU from 1987-1990, Gorby brought with him a tradition of success from Boardman High School. During his sophomore year at Boardman, the Spartans began a 10-year stretch of excellence, making it to the State Championships each year. Being a distance runner, Gorby would run 110



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miles a week, once running a marathon in 2 hours and 26 minutes. The American record is 2 hours, 5 minutes, 38 seconds. The oldest of four boys, his three younger brothers were also very talented runners. Keith Gorby, also a former Penguin, was ranked number two in the United States for runners 19 and under.

When he took the reigns at age 23, Brian Gorby became the youngest head coach in the nation. It proved difficult for him to gain the respect of the team, some of whom were

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*Brian Gorby, coach*

only three or four years his junior. He explained, "Not only were there seniors [close in age] but I also had to coach two of my brothers, those relationships were definitely challenging. It was a challenge to get their respect; I didn't have 17 championships, or All-Americans. It was a challenge trying to balance between coach and brother."

Upon his arrival, the YSU program experienced immediate success. The men's cross country team won three consecutive MCC titles from 1994-1996. The success was

due in large part to some great individual runners according to Gorby. "We brought in some great kids. Matt Folk, Mark Brady, Keith Gorby. Each one of those guys were extremely hard working and talented and a big reason why we were so successful. We had a 12-year run in cross country where we finished top three, I'm as proud of that as almost anything," he said.

In addition to the success of the men's team, the women's team won a conference championship of their own in 1997. 1997 was also a great year for the track teams. The men's indoor and outdoor teams won the MCC. The women's outdoor team also won a championship, a season after winning the indoor championship in 1996. In a four-year span the YSU program won a remarkable eight conference titles.

In recent years the women's indoor and outdoor track team has garnered most of the attention. They won the Horizon Indoor titles in 2004, 2005, and 2008, and the Horizon outdoor titles from 2004-2006 and most recently back-to-back titles in 2008-2009. That's an

incredible eight titles out of a possible twelve for the YSU Women.

With all of the recent success, Coach Goby discussed the continued desire of the Women's team. "It's a team atmosphere. We're like a family; everyone is pulling for each other. We as coaches try to bring the energy, but it's about the kids caring about each other. [Senior sprinter] Yandeh Joh competed in 17 events last season. A woman isn't going to do that if she doesn't care about the team."

The Watson and Tressel Training Site (WATTS) is set to open in August 2010. The site will house a 300-meter track, something only the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee can match in the Horizon League. As of now the team has to travel to Kent State University to use their indoor facility, another factor Gorby thinks melds the team together. "As much as the experience of traveling to Kent every day brings the team together, I think the WATTS center will give us a little bit of a competitive advantage," he said.