

Moving Forward Together



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Students gathered outside Kilcawley Center to paint the rock with messages of support for groups who feel they may be marginalized under President-elect Donald Trump.

Following the rock painting, students gathered in the Chestnut Room to express their concerns about the election results. Faculty, staff and administration were present to provide support and gauge students' feelings.

Snjezana Balaz, professor of physics, helped organize the event and moderated the discussion. She said not feeling safe can affect a student's academic performance.

"If you are not relaxed in a classroom, you will not be able to learn because your brain is focused on your surroundings and trying to survive, and you aren't doing any type of learning," she said.

Students shared stories of mistreatment on campus since the election, primarily regarding minorities.

Catherine Cooper, member of the Latino Association, said she has seen many people upset about their treatment since the election.

"For me, I feel a loss because of what occurred in this election," she said. "I've had a lot of issues in my family regarding immigration that deeply affected me."

Mary Bell, post-baccalaureate student, said she would like to see university leaders acknowledge the hate crimes that have occurred across the country, including on campuses. The Southern Poverty Law Center has ver-

ified more than 300 hate crimes.

"I would like to see President Tressel make a statement, to be proactive and acknowledge these things are happening and will not be accepted on campus," she said. "If and when there are violations, we want to see some sort of consequences that have teeth, so they are settled immediately."

Student Conduct Director Kelly Beers assured her that the administration will take reports of any incidents very seriously.

Some students expressed their concerns about Donald Trump's past accusations of sexual assault. They shared testimonies of past assaults, and suggested the election results show that Americans are apathetic about sexual assaults.

Students who are transgender are worried about being able to change documents or obtain medical treatment and sexual reassignment surgery once Trump's presidency starts, according to Kai Parker of YSUnity.

"Some people are afraid of even trying to start transitioning. Some people are talking about self-harm because that's the way they know to handle the stress, worry and fear," he said. "It breaks my heart."

Ana Torres, interim director of Maag Library, said that many people on campus are willing to provide support for anyone feeling negative emotions after the election.

"I'm standing here as your advocate. We're here to support you," she said. "We all have a voice, and we have to unite. I don't want to see us fighting."

Some students brought up comments made by faculty and staff. Students said it's important to acknowledge

they have political differences, but shouldn't fight against each other, especially in class.

A professor expressed her concern towards the attitudes some people have about immigration. She said the system is broken, and people should try to understand that there isn't a line for immigrants who want to become citizens or obtain green cards.

One man said he's been an activist for marriage equality over the past five years. He said he believes Trump doesn't want to repeal marriage equality, but if he appoints a Supreme Court Justice that holds those beliefs, Trump can't change that.

Before the event, several counter-protestors showed up holding signs with slogans reading "real life has no safe zones" and "safety pins are for diapers." Peaceful discussions took place between them and the students gathered to oppose Trump.

Taylor Sommers, a member of Turning Point USA, said he doesn't believe campuses should have safe zones.

"In the real world, you can't run from your problems," he said. "Open discussion is key. If there's something you don't like, talk to others about it."

Math Professor Alicia Prieto-Langarica helped organize the event. She said it's good to have both supporters and protesters show up, because open discussions lead to progress.

"We want to portray a sense of unity and inclusiveness," she said. "I feel like students should have a space to communicate about how they feel about these things, and a space in which they know whatever side of the story they're on — they can be heard with respect."

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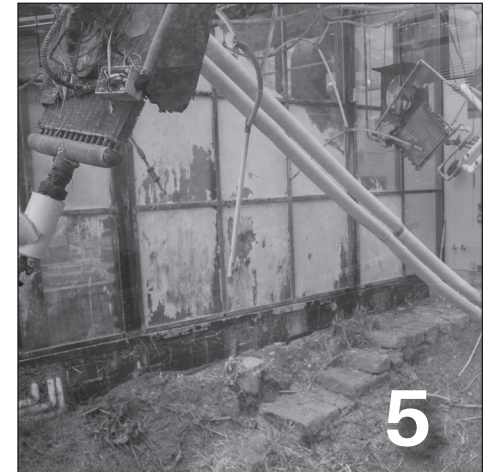
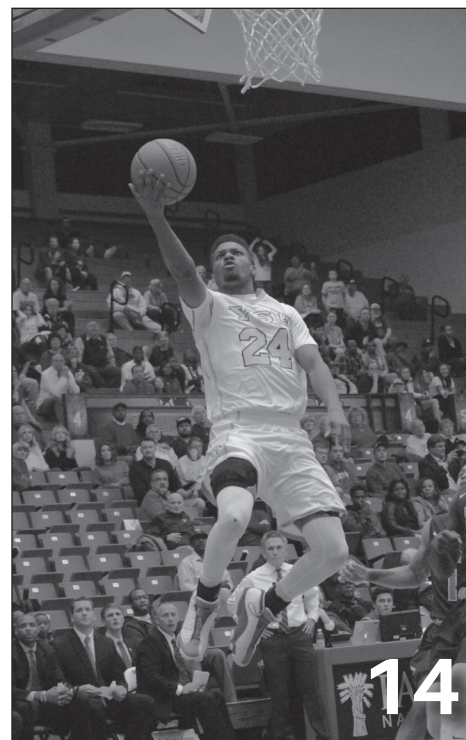
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Stay at the Stambaugh Building

BY SAMANTHA PHILLIPS

As downtown Youngstown grows and the number of visitors increases, many say a hotel is needed to accommodate people who are staying overnight.

After two years of planning, NYO Property Group is developing a 134-room hotel that will inhabit the Stambaugh Building, near the corner of Wick Avenue and Commerce Street.

Dominic Marchionda, CEO of NYO Property Group, said there is a need for a hotel in the area.

“It’s going to be full service hotel with a couple of restaurants, a rooftop bar for tenants only, exercise facility [and] conference rooms and suites,” he said.

Construction should be complete by December 2017, and they expect to begin booking rooms in early 2018.

Marchionda said the idea stemmed from the growth of downtown business. Currently, people have to drive to nearby cities such as Boardman and Liberty to find a hotel. Having a hotel in Youngstown would keep them in the city longer.

The Stambaugh Building is currently being renovated. NYO Property Group has previously restored Wick Tower and Erie Terminal Place for residential use.

Kelly Persin, NYO property manager, said the hotel will benefit a wide range of people, from fans who attend sporting events and concerts at the Covelli Centre to business professionals visiting the Youngstown Business Incubator.

People coming to Youngstown State University for football games or to deliver lectures will have a place to stay in town, and Persin said families of students will benefit as well.

According to Marchionda, they will offer discounts for parents of YSU students who visit during the week.

NYO intends on having three or four

interns at the hotel throughout the year training for roles in management and hospitality, Marchionda said. NYO hires locally and has five YSU students currently working for the company.

YSU student O’Keal Gist has been a marketing intern for two years, which is when planning for the hotel began.

“It’s really cool seeing NYO’s vision come to life,” he said. “A lot of time and energy was put into this project. It’s going to help make the city more vibrant. It’s been an honor being a part of this.”

Marchionda said it’s their goal to help student interns find a long-term job after graduation. He said he would like to see people stay in the Mahoning Valley.

“A lot of students have a great work ethic. They’re really engaged and creative and articulate,” he said. “It’s advantageous to them. We believe in our community.”

The hotel isn’t the only big change that is being implemented by NYO Property Group. A city perks program allows tenants of student housing to obtain discounts at local bars, restaurants and the potential new grocery store to give them an incentive to visit downtown businesses.

“All downtown businesses are connected. We have to work together to create a more vibrant community,” he said.

Services like grocery pick-up and delivery will be provided to help students, who may not have time to run errands, while they are balancing work and school.

With the University Edge and the upcoming Enclave creating competition in the student housing market, Marchionda said NYO will lower its prices to compete.

“We are going to be one of the most aggressively priced units,” he said. “Prices will be lower than they ever have been, because there is more competition.”



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First-Year Professors' First Impressions

BY JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR
TAYLOR DRESSEL

We reached out to some of Youngstown State University's newest professors to ask them about the university. These responses have been edited for clarity and length.

Shelley Blundell — Communication

Why did you choose to teach at YSU?

The position with YSU sounded like a great opportunity for me to return to my first professional passion — journalism — and to incorporate what I had learned since my journalism days about teaching and information seeking in a new, challenging and changing environment.

What is one of your favorite things about YSU?

Every single person I have talked to, worked with, approached for information or asked for assistance since I began my “YSU journey” has been welcoming, kind and helpful as I orient myself in this new environment. This can-do energy seems to flow through the student body too, and I find this energy very inspiring.

What was the biggest difference between your last teaching job and teaching at YSU?

My last ‘teaching’ job was in my previous librarian position, where most of my teaching was through individual class sessions on library and academic research resources with a variety of students and majors. Now, I have semester-long classes with the same students. This means I can learn more about students’ needs, challenges and strengths, and work with them to overcome their challenges and implement their strengths inside and outside the classroom.

Kristin Bruns — Counseling, Special Education and School Psychology

Why did you decide to take this job at YSU?

I wanted to be part of a talented and productive faculty, which led me to apply to the open position. The second reason is that I truly felt a connection to the faculty, students and department as a whole when I interviewed for the position.

What is one of your favorite things about YSU?

I have been inspired by the work ethic and drive demonstrated by the students in our program. Many of them are gaining valuable experience in their graduate assistantships and other positions, which creates a wealth of knowledge that we are able to draw upon in the classroom.

What was the biggest difference between your last teaching job and teaching at YSU?

I've appreciated the commitment to diversity and multicultural awareness within our program, as well as the diversity of the students in the classroom (in a multitude of ways). The students' openness to sharing their varied experiences has enriched the

Eric MacDonald — Electrical and Computer Engineering

Why did you decide to take the job?

The opportunity to forge a new manufacturing program in engineering and make a positive impact on the local and national economies, a deep appreciation for the rich manufacturing heritage of the city and longstanding and productive collaborations with several professors at YSU.

What is one of your favorite things about YSU?

Not one but several: creative students, research infrastructure including million-dollar 3-D printers, fall color (nothing like this in Texas) and Polish and Italian food. Pierogies are amazing.

What was the biggest difference between your last teaching job and teaching at YSU?

I am coming from the border of Mexico in West Texas — the landscape was dry and thorny, and the summers were brutal. I am unbearably excited about the prospects for snow in the coming months. The culture on the border was warm, inviting and appreciative of hard work — and I see a lot of similarities in the culture here.

Amy Elizabeth Williams — Counseling, Special Education and School Psychology

Why did you decide to take this job at YSU?

Having the opportunity to become a faculty member alongside people who I look up to within the profession has been an amazing opportunity. The opportunities I've been given to teach and innovate the addiction counseling courses (my specialty area) are an added bonus that I'd hoped for, but never thought I would have so early in my career.

What is one of your favorite things about YSU?

The students I work with are amazing! They are committed to their academic work and demonstrate high motivation to succeed. These students work incredibly hard both in school and outside of it. I have tremendous respect for them, and I know they will be assets to the profession.

What was the biggest difference between your last teaching job and teaching at YSU?

My job at YSU is my first full-time faculty position. The two roles are quite different, both in terms of my responsibilities and roles and in terms of my internal processing of the experience. While the transition is ongoing, I will say that being a full-time faculty member here at YSU brings both increased responsibility and greater rewards than I experienced in my previous teaching roles.



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Ward Beecher Needs Some TLC

BY ANTHONY KRIM II

Students, faculty and staff are unhappy with the current state of Ward Beecher at Youngstown State University. The building is old and outdated, and there have been some problems with things like temperature control that disrupts class.

Michael Butcher, a biology professor who teaches various classes in Ward Beecher, said he has encountered a slew of problems while working in the building. He said there have been some electrical glitches, and it's happened to him only a few weeks ago.

"There are motion sensors in one of the classrooms that I teach in, and there was some type of electrical short," he said. "The lights flickered, the projector flickered on and off, and it actually shut down my Mac. It powered down from this glitch."

Electrical problems aren't the only things going wrong in Ward Beecher, Butcher said. He said the building has some areas where there has been water damage, including next door to his

laboratory.

"Pipes have busted and leaked through ceiling tiles. We've had water lines that have burst, sinks that have cracked, sinks that don't drain," he said.

Thomas Diggins, another biology professor who teaches in Ward Beecher, frequently experiences water leaking through the ceiling and damaging his property.

"The infrastructure of the building is aging, so pipes are breaking," Diggins said. "In my office last year, soaking wet globs of ceiling tile came right down on my desk and my computer ... It is common throughout the building to see computers and pieces of equipment covered with tarp."

The chemistry department had a \$100,000 electron scanner hit with water from the leaking pipes, Diggins said.

Along with water and electrical problems, the building also suffers with climate control. Butcher said the lack of temperature control is affecting his students. He said when the weather was hot, the building was freezing, and they had to bundle up to stay warm.

"I remember wearing jackets when it

was 75 to 80 degrees outside," he said. "Now we have the heat on, and it's the opposite extreme. It gets so warm that it can almost be unbearable."

Butcher said the drastic changes in temperature aren't good for the scientific experiments he and his students conduct, because a controlled environment is needed. Diggins said the climate control has cost them valuable plant specimen.

"The greenhouse no longer has any functional climate control," Diggins said. "Two winters ago several plant specimens died in the greenhouse one night when it got cold outside."

One of the more unusual problems with Ward Beecher is a vile stench.

"On the third floor of the newer part of the building there is an almost constant stench of some sort of sewer smell," Diggins said. "Some of the bathrooms are in such lousy shape that the Health Department would close them."

Despite these problems with the building, Diggins said no blame should fall on the maintenance crew. He said they are "on top of things."

"The facilities folks are almost rising to heroic proportions," he said. They're

here very quickly when things go wrong. They're doing a good job of trying to stretch things as much as possible. They're doing the best they can do."

Diggins said the administration is somewhat at fault, because solutions haven't been provided yet for the problems.

"I believe that the administration has been slow to respond," Diggins said. "The maintenance people, the worker bees, are on top of it, but the administration has been slow to respond."

John Hyden, YSU's director of facilities, said the administration is doing the best they can.

"The unfortunate thing is, that building will never operate as a state-of-the-art lab facility, but that's the building we have, and we do the best we can," Hyden said. "There's a host of problems in that building, and we work around those problems to keep it as functional as possible."

Hyden said financing is a chief concern about renovating the building. He said there have been discussions of building a lab annex, but for now it's off the table, because it's too costly.

YSU Students React to the Election

BY RALEIGH BASINGER

The election of Donald Trump has conjured mixed reactions from Americans. The Jambar talked to students at Youngstown State University about their thoughts about the election and how they think the country will move forward.

POSITIVE

Laurencia Canzonetta, president of College Conservatives, said she is very proud to have Trump as the president-elect and thinks that he will bring energy independence, law and order, border security and jobs to the American people.

“Trump will reduce business regulations and will lower both personal and corporate income tax. He will promote our energy sector,” Canzonetta said. “Russians want to work with us to end the war. He will stop Muslim refugees programs and increase border security to stop illegal immigration.”

Tommy Maciarelo, an accounting student at YSU, said that he was very satisfied with the results of the election and is extremely optimistic about what a Trump-Pence presidency could bring.

“I believe people will be safer and our country will be much better off from an economic standpoint,” Maciarelo said.

Canzonetta said that Trump did something revolutionary when she picked a woman, KellyAnne Conway, to help run his campaign.

“It’s the first time in the history of our country a woman ran a campaign and won. She broke the glass ceiling for women,” Canzonetta said. “She was picked for her talent. She is a great role model for young girls and women.”

A lot of people who aren’t happy about the new president-elect are protesting, and Maciarelo thinks that the people doing that are fundamentally disrespecting America’s democratic process.

“I think it is disrespectful to America ... and to those who fought for their right to vote and voice an opinion. In a race there is a winner and a loser and we must live with the results,” Maciarelo said. “The election happened and Americans chose Trump fairly. People should unite and get behind him.”

Canzonetta said that those protesting need to stop what they’re doing and learn that not everybody wins all the time.

“...That’s not the real world. These student rioters are pampered by parents and brainwashed by the big liberal colleges which add fuel to the fire,” Canzonetta said. “It’s time for the nation to have national conversation about political correction and telling the truth.”

NEGATIVE

Dylan Edwards, president of College Democrats, said a Trump presidency will lead to destruction — citing Trump’s cabinet picks and his view of running the country like a business as the main reasons Trump’s America isn’t making anything “Great Again.”

“This unpredictability is dangerous to markets and it is even more dangerous to the fabric of an incredibly divided country,” Edwards said. “[He has] zero public sector experience, and the belief he can run the country like a business is arguably going to create severe funding cuts in programs Trump considers wasteful, like education.”

Christa Buckler, early childhood and special education student, said that it took her the entire week to turn her fear of a Trump presidency into hope. As an after-school teacher, she said she has seen this election adversely affect her young students already.

“I feared for our safety when it comes to national security and how this would affect our nation’s children,” Buckler said. “I’ve heard from many kids in minority groups about how terrified they are with the threat of deportation. No child should feel that they aren’t good enough to live in our country.”

Many Americans who oppose a Trump presidency have been protesting around different parts of the nation to the dismay of others.

Edwards said that protesting is a right and shouldn’t be looked past or dismissed as people not getting their way.

“I think the students in California and Nevada engaging in peaceful walkouts and protesters marching on Trump properties in New York City and Washington D.C. are showing a great deal of courage based on the threats from some Trump supporters against these groups whom are made of mostly marginalized people,” Edwards said. “However, the #notmypresident is not something I agree with because when he takes office he will be the president and his failure will result in irrevocable consequences for Millennials.”

Buckler said that in the end, it is always important for individuals to stand up for what they believe in.

“I’d much rather fight like hell for what I believe in than stand by and watch from the sidelines,” Buckler said. “I think a lot of activists feel the same way. When you see an injustice, you speak up.”

City Club Discusses Donald Trump

BY JUSTIN WIER

We are living in uncertain times, at least with regards to what will happen when President-elect Donald Trump takes office.

That was the underlying theme at the second meeting of the City Club of the Mahoning Valley. The discussion revolved around the election results and their effect on the country, the state and the Mahoning Valley.

The panel comprised journalists from the national, state and local level as well as Paul Sracic, chair of the department of politics and international relations at Youngstown State University.

Tim Francisco, professor at YSU and director of the Center for Working Class Studies, moderated the conversation. It touched on what the first 100 days of a Trump administration would look like, Supreme Court appointments, changing voting patterns in the Rust Belt and the Electoral College.

Karen Kasler, bureau chief for the Statehouse News Bureau in Columbus, said Trump has made a lot of promises to the people that backed him, and it will be difficult for him to put all of that into motion immediately.

"In 100 days, I think we're going to get a sense of what he'll do," Kasler said. "But I don't know how much will

actually be accomplished, because that's not a lot of time beyond setting a tone."

Panelists suggested we would start to see some movement on renegotiating trade, investing in infrastructure, loosening regulations and cutting taxes.

Looking at changing demographics, Marilyn Geewax, senior business editor at National Public Radio, said the aging population in the Great Lakes region makes it difficult to imagine a future in which the Rust Belt plays a significant role in elections.

"How many people are moving to Northeast Ohio?" she asked. "Is Donald Trump's argument for steel and coal going to bring young people to this region? ... That might be a tough sell."

Sracic said Ohio reflects the nation, having voted for the president in every election since 1964, but it's beginning to diverge, because the Latino population hasn't grown in Ohio at the same rate it has nationally.

He also said arguments that whoever won the popular vote would have won the popular vote without the Electoral College overlooks the fact that candidates would have campaigned differently under those rules.

"Your strategy is based on the rules of the game," he said. "And the rules of the game right now are win the majority of electoral votes, not the popular votes."

On issues of diversity, Geewax said the coarsening of

political dialogue might deter potential future female candidates from following in Hillary Clinton's footsteps and running for president.

Youngstown resident Gary Davenport asked why no people of color were present on the panel given the prominence of race in this year's election.

Doug Livingston, political reporter for the Akron Beacon Journal, responded by addressing the lack of diversity among journalists.

Francisco added that they invited Henry Gomez from Cleveland.com to participate on the panel, but he was not available. But he agreed that diversity in journalism is an issue.

"The playing field at the [major market] level is frankly unlevel," he said. "Really institutionally, mainstream journalism is not representative of the diversity of America."

Another questioner asked the panelists whether America and the rest of the world is in for a bumpy four years.

David Skolnick, politics reporter for the Vindicator, agreed with the rest of the panel that the next four years will be unpredictable.

"We've got a guy who's going to be President of the United States, who's never run for township trustee," he said. "So I'll [say that's] true."



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Martin Abraham, provost of Youngstown State University, was named one of 10 semi-finalists to fill the president position at Florida Gulf Coast University in Fort Myers, Florida. Abraham will participate in a video interview later this week, and three finalists will visit the campus in early December.

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Film Club Reels in Students

BY WILL KEFFLER

The knowledge students can gain outside of the classroom can be just as valuable as what is in the curriculum. The Youngstown State University Film Club aims to prove just that.

The film club, which began just a few years ago, aspires to not only spread the knowledge of filmmaking, but they create full-production films as well. Welcoming students of all majors, the club focuses on every facet of filmmaking from writing, producing and directing, to acting and choreographing.

This year, they are working on creating a short film, along with a web series involving scenes such as a parody skit of a traditional college tour video and their take on the television show "COPS."

Amy Crawford, an associate professor of telecommunications and adviser for the club, said that the club gives students the opportunity to network and meet other people who are interested in making films, as well as pooling their talents together to hone their passion. She also said that the club creates an outlet for creative ideas that aren't always explored in the classroom.

"If students have a pet-project or a script that doesn't fit into coursework or the traditional curriculum, they can find other people who can give them feedback, notes and serve as a crew for filmmaking," Crawford said. "It also gives students the chance to meet others who are passionate about filmmaking and create work for their resumes."

The club meets in Bliss Hall's second-floor audio lab at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Bliss Hall's room 2019 at 4:15 p.m. on Wednesdays. Quincy Carrier, the film club's vice president, said that he encourages anyone who is interested in joining to contact them even if the group's meeting times do not fit their schedule, because the club is flexible, and the experience one can gain is invaluable.

"We offer an opportunity to make film with people who love to do the same and love to be part of the process," Carrier said. "Even if students cannot make the scheduled meeting times, we always do our best to get them involved in the process, because film doesn't happen in an hour. We do a bit of film study, but it's normally about getting out there, getting active and starting to produce films."

The club is lead by Aaron Harris, whose connections through his stepfather, a film industry technician, have

created an opening for the club with the Cleveland Film Festival. With this in mind, the group aims to submit their short film to the film festival to add another highlight to their resumes.

"We come in with open, creative minds, and we work together to get the job done, because that's how it will be in the workforce," Harris said. "I've come into contact with people who not only host the Cleveland Film Festival, but they can get the group involved when we have our piece to bring to the table. It's a great opportunity."

Harris also uses the connections he's made with the Cleveland film scene to fill in the gaps of the group's learning process. The group plans on taking trips to Cleveland to learn from Harris's network of filmmakers to tailor their studies toward preparing students for jobs in the industry after graduation.

"They have knowledge that we don't know about the film field," Harris said. "That's what students can gain from this. They can get an inside look at the film industry and learn how they can get a job or learn what they have to be to get a job. It also opens doors for people who are interested in transferring to the film major. With these connections, the students who are interested in helping us can find potential internships in Cleveland."

University Theater Presents: 'A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum'

BY AMANDA LEHNERD

Youngstown State University's University Theater presents the musical, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" is about Pseudolus, who is a Roman slave owned by Hero, who seeks to win freedom by helping Hero win the heart of Philia. The cast consists of Pseudolus played by Ben Mowrer, Philia played by Gabby Martin and Hero played by Stefon Funderburke.

The cast has spent many hours in and out of rehearsal preparing for their roles. Funderburke spent his time toning his body to make sure he fit the look of Hero, where Martin spent her time preparing for the music.

"I needed to work on my breath support for the music," Martin said. "The music in this show is difficult to sing, so it took a lot of work outside of rehearsal to perfect it."

The cast had to make some lifestyle changes to be prepared for the show. Many factors play a part in the way an actor performs onstage from what food they eat to how much they use their voice.

"Preparing for the show changed my



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daily lifestyle. I have to be taking care of my voice constantly," Funderburke said. "If I eat too much dairy, it causes a build-up of phlegm, and that makes it harder to sing. I have to be careful not to overuse my voice and make sure my voice is well rested, so I can sing my best."

Along with personally preparing for

their roles onstage, rehearsal is spent mastering the challenging music composed by Stephen Sondheim.

"The music in the show is all composed by Stephen Sondheim, a very famous musical theater icon," Funderburke said. "The music is not only challenging and unusual vocally, but it is complicated and

difficult to act as well. Most music is either hard to sing or hard to act, and this music is both."

One of the hardest struggles of playing a part in a show is adapting the character. The cast has had to try to become the role they are playing even when the character doesn't directly relate to their personality.

"Philia as a character is very ditzy and not very smart. She and I are not alike in most aspects; I had to change my mindset to capture what Philia thinks," Martin said. "It is difficult to play a role that is so different from my personality, but that is what separates good actors from great ones is being able to embody a character so different from yourself. It has been a challenge for sure."

According to Mowrer, people should come ready to laugh so hard their sides will hurt. All of the cast's efforts have been in making the show as hilarious as possible, and they want to hear as much laughter as possible.

Adult tickets are \$16. Special rate tickets are \$8 for non YSU students, YSU faculty and staff with valid ID, senior citizens, Penguin Club members and groups of eight or more. YSU student tickets are free with valid ID. Tickets are available by calling 330-941-3105 or going to www.ysu.tix.com.

Get Hypnotized by Hypnotist

BY AMANDA LEHNERD

Cedars presents Figurehead, Hypnotist and Shultz & the I.C. for a Thanksgiving Eve show at 10 p.m. on Nov. 23.

Hypnotist is a local band formed in Youngstown including current Youngstown State University students Jeremy Blackson on the keyboard, Dalton Hostetter as singer and guitar and Daniel Walter as singer and bassist and YSU alumnus, Austin Hostetter on drums, with a newly added member Thomas Paprocki.

“The name Hypnotist originated from the idea that music can change you and take you into another state of being or state of mind,” Austin Hostetter said. “Much like a hypnotist takes you from reality to a dream-like state, finding the perfect song to capture whatever mood you are in at the time can take you to a whole different place.”

The band enjoys being able to create unique, memorable music for their audiences.

“Our band Hypnotist plays mostly originals, which reflect psychedelic elements and include many different aspects of other music,” Blackson said. “The songs are not for everyone, but we try and create them to be unique and memorable.”

According to Blackson, he infuses the passion he has for music into the band’s

songs and shows. The band is planning a new unique performance that will be debuting at the Cedars show.

Hypnotist has been trying to set up a show with Figurehead for a while, but due to busy schedules, it never worked until now.

“We have a good friend in Figurehead that we have been trying to set something up with, but it never really worked out schedule wise. We were finally able to get it going for what we hope to be a huge show,” Austin Hostetter said. “Our keyboard and synth player, Blackson, is in Shultz & the I.C. as well, and they have helped us out with show opportunities in the past, so we wanted to hook them up to return the favor.”

Figurehead is a quasi-progressive rock band that originated in Northeast Ohio. The band’s current lineup is Alex Hall on guitar and vocals, Dave Lynn also on guitar and vocals, Tim Wilderoder on bass and vocals and Mike Landgraff on drums.

“Our live set includes our original compositions, but with some sections extended for live improvisation,” Hall said. “Thanksgiving Eve tends to be a ruckus night in bars, so we plan to match that energy to our full potential.”

Cedars is a large supporter of local and live music and offers a professional stage setup. With the hometown vibe the bar of-



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fers, Figurehead is happy to perform.

“[Cedars] is a great supporter of local music, and live music in general, and has a professional stage setup, sound system and sound engineer on hand to deliver the best possible shows,” Hall said. “This venue has a pretty specific hometown vibe. People who come to Cedars seem to know that the best music is bound to be in performance, so you get a crowd of real listeners.”

People looking to attend the show will have a range of music to listen to from funky alternative to progressive rock.

“We feel it will be an excellent show because each band brings their own branch of sort of an alternative type sound,” Austin Hostetter said. “Shultz being a funkier side of alternative, our sound being a bit more experimental, and figurehead bringing a very nicely refined progressive alternative type sound.”



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Jenny Mag Showcases Female Writers with New Issue

BY JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR
TAYLOR DRESSEL

On Thursday, the Student Literary Arts Association at Youngstown State University will unveil the 11th issue of Jenny Magazine.

The release party will take place at the Soap Gallery downtown on Thursday at 7 p.m.

Jordan McNeil, the Jenny’s head editor, said the new edition has a twist — they only accepted work from female-identifying creators.

“This issue is exclusively filled with women,” McNeil said. “There is still a dis-

parity between male and female writers getting their work published, though it is slowly changing for the better within the publishing world.”

The premiere parties are a way to celebrate the release of a new issue and engage with the community, McNeil said.

“[They’re a way of] showing the public the kind of work and art coming out of both Youngstown and YSU,” she said. “Our premieres for the last few issues have had phenomenal attendance, which is awesome.”

Christopher Barzak, SLAA faculty adviser, said

he expects a good crowd.

“Success for a launch party is mainly a room full of people excited to read the entire issue,” he said.

Writers will read selected pieces from the magazine, Barzak said. Last year, a group of theater students performed a 10 minute play as part of the magazine’s 10 minute play contest.

“[That] was hilarious and a great new addition to the zine,” he said.

Because it’s an online magazine, the Jenny has the potential to reach an audience that extends beyond Youngstown.

“It’s always exciting to see a cultural production

like this find an audience that is both local and beyond,” he said.

Barzak said there are plenty of reasons for people to seek out Jenny Magazine.

“It’s vibrant, funny, sharp, tragic, resonant with local issues as well as those from the wider world,” Barzak said.

McNeil said the future of the magazine is looking bright.

“For Issue 12, we’re planning a contest, and who knows what will come in the future,” she said. “More awesome, cool things, I hope.”

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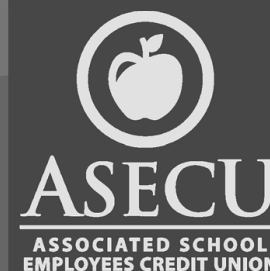
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Jambar Column: The Healing of a Nation

BY JILLIAN SMITH

The year was 1621. A group of English Separatists known as the Pilgrims had struggled through months of disease, agricultural failure and poor weather. To survive, they had raided stores of corn buried by Native American tribes. In fear, they fired upon Native American scouts. In their search parties, they disturbed Native American burial grounds. When a Native American finally did encounter the Pilgrims face to face, he did not retaliate out of a sense of revenge. Squanto, a name which meant the "Wrath of God," offered only a simple greeting, "Hello Englishmen."

Squanto's knowledge of English was developed while he was in captivity in England, having been abducted and taken there by an English trader. He was taken to England in 1605; he would not return to Massachusetts until 1619. During that time, all of Squanto's tribe, the Pawtuxet, had been decimated by a vicious plague, likely introduced by Europeans.

If anyone had a right to be angry and hurt and vengeful toward a whole group of people, it was Squanto. And yet, for some reason, miraculously, he was not. Instead, he taught the Pilgrims how to

farm properly in the New England soil by burying a fish at the root of corn so as to fertilize it. He served as a translator in a long process of diffusing the tense relations between the Native Americans and the settlers. He introduced the Englishmen to Massasoit, the most powerful chief in the region, and in so doing, started a three-day long feast of gratitude and peace-building among the two people's groups, which we will soon celebrate next Thursday, a feast known as Thanksgiving.

In his lifetime, Squanto was hailed and celebrated as a bridge builder, one who allowed two sides to see past their differences and instead see how they could work together. At a time of tremendous tension, when the natural thing to do would have been to let hatred prompt him to violence, Squanto chose to treat that colony differently than the Englishmen, who had captured him. Perhaps he understood that not all the English were the same, and, maybe, he knew that sometimes conflict could be quite easily avoided, if only an attempt is made to understand the other side.

It is quite fitting to recognize that the holiday of Thanksgiving was not officially recognized until the Civil War. In 1864, President Abraham Lincoln is-

sued a proclamation that implored unity, "... It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemn, reverently and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American People."

As our country feels its way through an uncertain postelection process, as tensions seem to be tearing us apart along ideological lines, let us remember what Thanksgiving truly is about, the healing of a nation full of people who have hurt one another. You may have every right to feel angry and spiteful. But as you sit down to feast on next Thursday, do not forget that the feast symbolizes a history of people who have overcome immense differences in attempts to mutually understand and respect one another.

William Bradford, governor of the Plymouth Colony and organizer of the first Thanksgiving, said, "Thus out of small beginnings greater things have been produced by His hand that made all things of nothing, and gives being to all things that are; and, as one small candle may light a thousand, so the light here kindled hath shone unto many."

May that first Thanksgiving, in its small beginnings, be the candle that we use to guide ourselves forward in these postelection times.

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Editorial

Our recent editorial topics have been pretty heavy. In the past couple months, we have written about the heroin epidemic, police brutality and the election. With Thanksgiving approaching, the editorial staff decided to lighten things up by writing about what we're thankful for as YSU students.

I'm thankful for all of the great friends YSU has brought me. The people the university has given me access to are some of the smartest, kindest and most giving individuals I have ever met. There isn't a day that goes by that I'm not thankful for the friendships I've made and the companionship these pals have provided. It doesn't matter if I'm on top of the world or sitting at the bottom, my friends are with me every step of the way. Enjoy your time off, take a break and knock back a few with some of your closest buds.

Gabby Fellows

I'm really thankful for Thanksgiving break, especially given that this is my final semester and it's been a bit overwhelming. I love working at The Jambar, but having a week off will hopefully allow me to catch my breath (and to get Dr. Helsel an updated draft of my Economics senior project). But just in general, I'm constantly taken aback by the generosity of the faculty at YSU. We have a lot of great professors that are willing to go above and beyond for their students (more than I can name right now). I would encourage all students to take advantage of that, and to express their thanks.

Justin Wier

I'm very thankful to be a part of The Jambar. It has helped me sharpen the skills I'll need in my future career, plus I work with creative, fun and intelligent people. Seriously, find an organization or job on campus that you enjoy, because it enriches your college experience. I'm also very thankful for my professors, who are compassionate and committed to helping their students (especially Cary Wecht, thanks for your words of encouragement and for helping me with my thesis). Finally, I am extremely thankful to have a few days off school next week, I can finally catch up on homework and spend time with my fabulous friends and family. I hope you have an enjoyable Thanksgiving break! Kick back and relax.

Samantha Phillips

I am so thankful for all of the friends I have at YSU. Everyone in the theater and English departments has been so supportive of me as I finish up my last semester at YSU. Being here and working with my peers and YSU's faculty has helped me grow so much as a person, and makes me feel prepared for whatever the future throws at me. I am especially thankful for The Jambar, who has become my second family. Even when I've had some of the hardest, most frustrating days, everyone at The Jambar has always been able to make me laugh and smile. I hope that everyone at YSU finds a second family like this while they are here. Thank you everyone so much.

Amber Palmer

I'm thankful for the journalism department and its staff. The journalism department has provided me with new experiences over the last three and a half years. Between classes and The Jambar, I've had multiple opportunities to improve as a journalist, gain experience in my field and network with professionals across the country. Journalism has forced me to become more social and make new friends that I never would have socialized with in the past. If my professors didn't force me out of my shell, I would have never experienced the best parts of being a college student. Thank you to everyone who's helped me come this far.

Dan Hiner

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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We all have loved ones that make decisions that we don't agree with. But what if your loved one was addicted to prescription opioids or heroin? Obviously if they were to overdose you would want them to get naloxone, also known as Narcan, to help them survive their overdose. Would you want them to get saved and then let back out into the world that almost killed them? I'm guessing that you would say no. So, with heroin being such a hot topic; let's discuss it. According to the Ohio Department of Health, in 2015 overdose deaths in Ohio had reached 3,050, which was an increase from 2014, which was at 2,531. This rate has been steadily increasing throughout the years. There are many people who suffer with drug addiction problems, and we are finally moving in the right direction and having Narcan more readily available for the worst case scenario. But we need to think about after the fact. It's great that we can save people from near death but what about saving them from getting into this position in the first place or helping them with life after an overdose?

I want to propose two ideas. My first idea is to focus on the problem at hand. People are doing drugs that are easily available to them. Heroin is all over this area, as well as other drugs. We need to focus on bringing down the people who are bringing this garbage into our neighborhoods and communities. We need to have a stronger drug task force across the United States or possibly stronger boarder control to prevent it from coming into our country. We need to try to catch the people who are passing these drugs out to our citizens. If we can break the chain at the top then we will have fewer drugs available for the streets.

My second idea is that if someone were to overdose, we do not let them go back to normal life right after. I believe that if we give Narcan to someone and save their life then there should be an automatic inpatient rehab sentence. There is no sense in pumping people with Narcan day in and day out without doing something to actually help stop the problem we are facing. This is something that we need, and we need more governmental help. Accord-

ing to the Ohio Department of Health, in Ohio we spent on average \$5.4 million a day on medical and work loss costs resulting from drug overdoses in 2012. So I propose that if we give Narcan, then that person goes straight to rehab to help stop their addiction. I'm sure that there will be people trying to escape from rehab. There should be a repercussion to this. Maybe a one-year jail sentence would be needed if this happened. Using unprescribed drugs is illegal, and if someone were to escape from a place that is only trying to help them then they may need to go to a place with higher security while keeping their sobriety.

This is all food for thought. We are moving in the right direction with trying to help the drug epidemic we are having but maybe we need to step back and look at the bigger picture. We may be fighting the wrong battle in a much larger war.

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A Foul Mood

Foul Trouble Plagues YSU, but Morse has Historic Night

BY DAN HINER

Jeff Covington was the last member of the Youngstown State University men's basketball team to score 40 or more points in back-to-back seasons in 1975 and 1976. That is, until Tuesday night.

YSU guard Cameron Morse scored 40 points, grabbed four rebounds, had two assists and a steal in the Penguins' 103-98 loss to the University of Toledo.

"He's pretty good," YSU head coach Jerry Slocum said. "He's just really quiet and 'to himself' kinda kid that just answers the bell. He's just a really reserved kid with a lot of confidence, who plays really well."

"I'm proud of his development from his freshman year to now. I'm proud of all our guys in terms of where they've come from last year to this year in terms of being better and being better mentally."

Morse scored a career-high 44 points last season against the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay on Jan 9. He also became the first Penguin to score 40 or more points in multiple games in a 12-month span since John McElroy in 1968.

With YSU (1-1) trailing 87-84 with 1.4 seconds left in the Penguins game against the Rockets, Morse hit a contested 3-pointer to tie the game at 87 and force overtime.

The Penguins hit three straight 3-pointers, two from Morse and one from guard Latin Davis, in the final 21.5 seconds to tie the game.

Slocum said the team is getting "indoctrinated" into how to play quality basketball. He said the team showed toughness in the second half and sees the character of the players as a positive moving forward.

"Obviously last night was a game where I thought we showed great character. I thought we played really, really hard," Slocum said. "I thought we played well enough to win the basketball game. The discrepancy from

the foul line was staggering — I think it was like 48 to 17.

"So given those kinda stats and that performance, our guys really showed a lot of character and a lot of toughness. And I thought we showed good toughness in the [University of] Akron game

YSU and the Rockets traded baskets, but YSU held the lead with 1:19 left in overtime. But a 5-1 run by Toledo in the final few possessions gave the Rockets the win."

"YSU couldn't seem to get out of its own way in the first half. The Penguins picked up eight fouls in the first 11 minutes of the game, including two fouls each for guard Cameron Morse and forward Devin Haygood.

By halftime, the Penguins complied 13 fouls and committed nine turnovers — Toledo scored 10 points off turnovers in the first half.

The Penguins never led in regulation. To make matters worse, YSU had to deal with injuries during the first half. Starting forward Rahim Williams suffered a leg injury in the first 10 minutes of the game, and Morse left the game for a few minutes after getting fouled on a drive to the basket.

Williams didn't return to the game, but Morse, who had six points in the first half, dominated the game in the second half.

With 18:53 remaining in the second half, the Penguin trailed 48-27. But Morse scored 34 points in the final 15:51 of the second half and overtime to slowly trim the lead.

In overtime, the Penguins had to deal with a short bench. After losing Williams to injury, YSU's Matt Donlan, Brett Frantz and Latin Davis all fouled in the second half or overtime.

Davis was second on the team in scoring. Davis scored a career-high 19 points, three rebounds and two assists.

Slocum said Tuesday's game was the first time the Penguins had a chance to play on the road since last season. He said the team is using the loss and its play in the first half against Toledo as



PHOTO BY DAN HINER/THE JAMBAR

Youngstown State University's Cameron Morse (24) drives to the basket during the men's basketball team's season opener against the University of Akron.

a learning experience.

"I don't think we were ready to play on the road yet. I think that first half was a wakeup call to how aggressive and how much noise is in the building — they draw [a crowd] really well," Slocum said. "There's a lot of emo-

tion in the building last night, and I think our guys weren't really ready for it. It's the first time we shot baskets in a facility other than ours, and I think it took us a little bit of time to find our way."

YSU will travel to the University of South Alabama to play

in the Red Diamond Roundball Classic. The Penguins will play three games from Friday through Sunday, and the final game of the tournament will take place against Westminster College at the Beeghly Center on Tuesday.

The Press Box Perspective:

Thanksgiving Football

BY ANDREW ZUHOSSKY

Don't panic, everybody, but it'll be Thanksgiving Day this time next week. I can't believe how quickly this year has sped by. It seems like only last week that we were all gathered around the TV watching the College Football Playoff.

Now it's almost time to gather around with the family to take stock of everything we're grateful for. But enough about that. I don't want to get mushy and sentimental, as there'll undoubtedly be another time for that.

Aside from the extended weekend during which we get to spend time with our family, we also get to eat copious amounts of food and watch copious amounts of football. It's also around this time that the games start to get really good.

Next Thursday brings us a tripleheader of NFL games. In order to get to that trio of games, we must first trudge through the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

However, if you don't like the idea of having to watch floats traverse through a parade route in New York City all capped off by someone wearing a Santa Claus outfit, NFL Network will run a Thanksgiving edition of "NFL Gameday Morning" from 9 a.m. EST through the 12:30 p.m. kickoff of the Minnesota Vikings at Detroit Lions game on CBS Sports.

That game will be followed up by the Washington Redskins at Dallas Cowboys on FOX before rounding out the day with the Pittsburgh Steelers at the Indianapolis Colts on NBC.

With it still being seven days out from kickoff of these games and with these teams still having to play this coming Sunday, it would not be right for me to make picks for next Thursday's games.

I'd have to think, though, that Minne-

sota and Dallas would likely emerge as winners of their respective contests, with Pittsburgh/Indianapolis being the most entertaining game on Thanksgiving.

There are even a few college games on Thanksgiving night, provided that you're stuffed from the pro ranks during the afternoon, all while choosing whether or not to have more pumpkin pie.

With the next day comes Black Friday.

While everyone else is awake and out before the sun rises in an attempt to find the perfect gifts, sports fans get to sleep in thanks to all the tryptophan in the turkey we ate, wake up and watch a full day of college football.

I always love to watch college football on the day after Thanksgiving. It's because there are usually so many great games on TV that day. Among the games next Friday is the "Apple Cup," the annual Pac-12 rivalry game between The University of Washington and Washington State University.

Of course, we all know around here what the Saturday after Thanksgiving means in terms of football: The Ohio State University will renew its rivalry with the University of Michigan in Columbus next weekend.

This is usually a very good contest, the records of both schools notwithstanding. It occurs to me that no matter what has transpired during both programs' seasons, the Buckeyes and "The Team from Up North" will always treat their game as if it's a bowl game.

During his tenure as Ohio State's head coach, Urban Meyer's never lost this game (4-0 since 2012.)

Naturally, next Sunday rounds out the long weekend with a full day of NFL games as well as the 104th Grey Cup Game from BMO Field in Toronto.

Happy Thanksgiving, everybody. We won't be here next week because of the holiday. Oh, if any of you need help getting rid of your leftovers, just call me.

Penguins Travel for Red Diamond Roundball Classic

BY DAN HINER

After starting the season 1-1, the Youngstown State University men's basketball team will compete in the Red Diamond Roundball Classic, a four-game tournament hosted by the University of South Alabama.

YSU will play Jacksonville University on Friday, the University of South Alabama on Saturday and Florida International University on Sunday. The final game of the tournament will be played against Westminster College at the Beeghly Center on Tuesday.

YSU head coach Jerry Slocum said he's concerned about the health of his players in the tournament. He said the team will have to play four games in five days and the schedule doesn't allow time for the players to rest.

"We got back last night around 1:30 [a.m.]. It's a concern for me going forward with our tournament," Slocum said. "We leave tomorrow at 6 a.m. That turnaround is concerning for me, that there is no hangover. I don't think there will be a hangover mentally — my concern is physically.

"[We] played a lot of minutes last night. Had a really tough, physical game against [the University of] Akron, had a couple days to prepare. It was a brutal game last night. Rahim [Williams] got hurt, [Cameron Morse] went down hard, Devin [Haygood] went down hard and even Latin [Davis] got knocked to the floor — he got his legs cut out."

In addition to the stress of playing in the tournament, YSU forward Rahim Williams suffered an apparent leg injury during the Penguins' 103-98 to the University of Toledo on Tuesday night. Slocum said he is unsure of Williams' status because he was being reevaluated on Wednesday afternoon.

Slocum said he's not a fan of the "exempt tournament" process. An exempt tournament, such as Red Diamond Roundball Classic, is a four-tournament format but only two of the games count on a team's official schedule.

According to the NCAA, a program is only allowed to schedule 29 games per season. But all teams technically participate in a 31 games per season because of the "exempt tournaments." Two games in the tournament are officially counted toward a team's schedule, while the two remaining games are vacated.

"The whole college basketball world has gone to these 'exempt tournaments.' As a coach, they're a preparation nightmare," Slocum said. "You play Friday night, you play Saturday afternoon and then you play a [noon] game on Sunday. You're not even getting 24 hours [in between games]."

Slocum said the Penguins will have to deal with the schedule, but will need to focus on all three teams this weekend.

"Jacksonville's very, very good. They had three kids hurt last year — two of them are their leading scorers right now," Slocum said. "South Alabama is big and strong. They're really different from what we [usually] see. They like to pound the ball in the post. They start three guys that are 6'8" 240 [pounds]. Then you got Florida International that's just athletic. They got a kid that's a transfer from [the University of] Alabama — a one-year guy. And they're ultra, ultra athletic."

After the three games on the road, the Penguins will come back to the Beeghly Center to play Westminster in the final game of the tournament.

Tipoff against Westminster is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday. YSU's games against South Alabama and Westminster can be seen on ESPN3.

Win and They're In YSU Has Its Eyes on the Playoffs

BY MARC WEEMS

Now that the Youngstown State University football team has beaten Southern Illinois University, the team is one win from the playoffs. But, that doesn't blind the team from the task ahead when they travel to play Missouri State University.

The Penguins look to beat MSU in order to make the playoffs for the first time since 2006, when John Heacock was the head coach and Tommy Zetts was playing quarterback.

"We are definitely ready to get after it this week. Everyone has been excited for Tuesday's preparation," defensive tackle Cody Squiric said. "We have the same mindset every week, and we always talk about it. The goal is to go 1-0 every week and that's something the coaches always preach, because anybody can beat anybody in this league [Missouri Valley Football Conference]."

Now that YSU is one win away from the playoffs, they shift their focus to the Bears, and how they will attack them.

Yet again the defense held up last week and will look to do that again. Missouri State gains 326.3 yards per game while scoring 23.7 points per game.

On the other side, the Penguins have scored 21.5 points per game while gaining 385.7 yards per game.

With YSU's offense struggling, the team seemed to correct its problems.

"Well Coach Bo [Pelini] came to all of us and said that something has got to change," wide receiver Alvin Bailey said. "Something has got to give, but we have to keep pushing. We just have to continue to work hard this week and just keep getting better by working harder each and every

day."

YSU's offense had struggled up until last week to put points on the board even when they moved the ball between the 20-yard lines.

"Well the preparation is really important, and we need to keep getting better this week." YSU head coach Bo Pelini said about the upcoming week. "It's the last regular season game of the year, and that's what is next. We have to prepare all the same."

Aside from YSU's struggling offense, the Penguins defense has lived up to everything that has been talked about.

YSU's defense has given up just 296.7 yards per game while giving up 16.2 points per game — the best in the Missouri Valley Football Conference.

Squiric said he thinks it's really cool that making the playoffs would allow the players to create their own history, and that is important to the team. He said that now is the time to just get after it and get into the real grind of the year.

Pelini said that they will not overlook Missouri State and will play with the same attitude they play each and every game with.

Missouri State (4-6, 2-5 MVFC) will be looking to ruin YSU's chance to get in, but Alvin Bailey thinks that won't happen.

"We just have to get better each and every day and with every practice," Bailey said. "Keeping the momentum up and feeding off that last game. We just need to execute and be sound in everything we do."

Pelini said that there are no alarm bells going off, because SIU was able to tie the game last week. He said the defense was sharp and will continue to stay sharp while being alert as ever.

The Penguins travel to play Missouri State on Nov. 19 at 3 p.m. at Missouri State.



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Youngstown State University linebacker Armand Dellovade (left) and defensive end Avery Moss (right) hit Southern Illinois University quarterback Sam Straub (4) after he attempted a deep pass on the final play of Saturday's game.