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Dems vie for top spot in election

By BONNIE BODNAR
The Jambar

William Binning said he was not surprised that Sen. John Kerry finished first in Tuesday's New Hampshire primaries, and the political science chair predicts that college students will favor a democrat over a republican in the upcoming election.

Kerry (D-Mass.) won the contest with 38 percent of the vote, according to an Associated Press poll. Binning said the double-digit percentage win Kerry had over former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean was a significant victory. Dean came in second with 26 percent.

The results showed the battle for third place was closer than the battle for the top two spots. Retired Army Gen. Wesley Clark received 12 percent. Sen. John Edwards (D-N.C.) also received 12 percent and Sen. Joe Lieberman (D-Conn.) placed fifth with 9 percent.

Tuesday's primary prompted discussion among some students across campus about who is best fit to occupy the White House.

Freshman Chris Russo said that he did not watch the New Hampshire contest, but plans on voting and thinks everyone is important to the election process.

Binning said that while Kerry may be unbeatable, according to the polls, Dean definitely has the support of young voters.

While voters in New Hampshire chose Kerry, there are still many other states up for grabs. This mix includes Ohio, which holds its primary on March 2, Super Tuesday. Binning said, as the primary season goes on, "press attention to the contest diminishes." But if the contest is not over by March 2, he said, there will be significant attention in Ohio.

"It is a fact Dean is doing well with young voters," Binning said.

He also said that young voters may not necessarily be the best group of voters to propel a candidate to victory, but they can be very energizing.

Junior Kelli Vogt who said she actively follows politics, agrees with Binning. She thinks that most of Dean's support is from unreliable young

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CANDIDATE: JOHN KERRY

BACKGROUND: Kerry is a Vietnam veteran, and has been serving the U.S. Senate since 1984. He represents Massachusetts. To find out more visit www.johnkerry.com



CANDIDATE: HOWARD DEAN

BACKGROUND: Dean is the former governor of Vermont, and served in the Vermont house from 1982-1986. He has also held the post of lieutenant governor in Vermont. To find out more visit www.deanforamerica.com



CANDIDATE: JOHN EDWARDS

BACKGROUND: Edwards is a first term U.S. Senator, and has been serving the state of North Carolina since 1998. To find out more visit www.JohnEdwards2004.com



CANDIDATE: WESLEY CLARK

BACKGROUND: Clark is a retired U.S. Army general. He began his distinguished career with the military in 1966. To find out more visit www.clark04.com



CANDIDATE: JOSEPH LIEBERMAN

BACKGROUND: Lieberman is a U.S. Senator from Connecticut, and has been serving his state since 1990. He also ran for Vice President in 2000. To find out more visit www.joe2004.com

Student worker salaries max out

By CHRISTINA POE
The Jambar

When Darla Jones went to check the status of her Federal Work Study allocation, she discovered her job at the Department of Education was in jeopardy.

Jones said the Financial Aid Office informed her that they would not be able to cover any extension after her money ran out.

Jones is not alone, as work study students across campus are using up their allocations faster. Now more than ever, responsibility is being put on individual university departments to decide whether or not they will transfer these students over to their payroll.

Elaine Ruse, director of Financial Aid and Scholarships, said until this year, the work study program was not using the full allocations the federal government had given the university.

Along with University President David Sweet, Ruse said she and her department worked to outline a process to use the funds to their fullest extent.

This year, instead of exclusively awarding allocations to applicants, Ruse said funds were also offered to eligible students vying for regular on-campus employment.

Sweet said part of attaining more federal funds is to demonstrate to the government that federal funds are adequately being used.

He added offering work study money to all students is way the university can help them in light of tuition increases.

"The administration sought to assure students that they would have access to all types of financial aid on campus, including work study, due to increasing college costs," Sweet said.

Jones said she and other work study students received pay raises, but she was caught off guard by the possibility of losing her job at the end of February when her funds ran out.

"At first it was 'Great, we're getting a raise,' Jones said. 'Then it was 'Great, we're losing our jobs.'"

Jones said the department of education decided to keep her on and pay her with department dollars.

Sweet said he has not yet received reports of job loss with students in connection with the new system.

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Weather causes student headaches

By WILLIAM LEHN
The Jambar

The recent onslaught of inclement weather is leaving some YSU students scrambling to find childcare so they can attend classes.

Junior Teerae Fields, a single parent with two children ages seven and one, admits school cancellations have left her "in a bind." Cancelled classes at her children's school and daycare have left her scrambling to find a sitter — a problem, the nursing student said, that has led to increased stress.

"You can't concentrate on your schoolwork," Fields said. "You get here late and miss half the lecture. It makes it hard for (non-traditional students). YSU should accommodate our needs and give us a little slack."

Vice President of Administration John Habat said it is a "tough situation" for students when schools close and YSU stays open, adding that it is unusual for YSU to remain

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Dean says problems will be addressed

By MICHAEL J. BALALE
The Jambar

One week after the state reported that Youngstown State University students had performed poorly on an examination, the dean of education said he has a plan to address the problems.

Before stepping to the front of the classroom, all education majors must pass one of three Praxis exams. In its statewide performance report, the Ohio Board of Regents reported that only 80 percent of YSU students who took the

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— PHILLIP GINETTI
Dean of Education

examination in 2002 passed — placing YSU 12 out of 13 institutions.

Dean of Education Phillip Ginnetti said he has talked with University of Akron officials and others and now has a

plan to help YSU students be better prepared.

"Test anxiety and lack of preparation were two of the biggest reasons for the low scores from last year," Ginnetti said.

He said the college is trying to help by incorporating the Praxis examination into classrooms and raising the criteria for admittance in the College of Education.

In previous years, juniors were admitted with a 2.5 grade point average, however, the new standard requires a 3.0 GPA, or a 2.67 with exceptional scores on the Praxis I basic skills test.

Ginnetti said that the results received last week were from 2002, and do not give an

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SGA trades insults in heated discussion

By TRINA QUARLES
The Jambar

Representatives attending Monday's Student Government Association meeting spent little time addressing issues and more time exchanging heated words with each other.

Aside from brief discussion about a policy for snow days and how to launch a student radio station, representatives traded insults and failed to reach consensus on any issue.

Representative of Fine and Performing Arts Bob McGovern requested a resolution to request that the univer-

sity review its policy regarding snow days.

"Students should not be risking their lives to keep their grades from dropping," McGovern said.

Chair of Academic Affairs Dominic Buzzacco, however, voiced opposition to such a resolution.

"We're college students," Buzzacco said. "Go to class."

Buzzacco said if students do not want to come out in bad weather, they should use unexcused absences that are usually allotted for in a professor's syllabus.

"Most professors have an

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Honesty: A virtue still present at YSU

The most important thing junior Michelle Ripley learned Wednesday was that there are nice, honest people on campus and in the community.

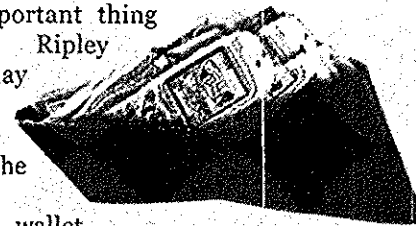
Ripley, whose wallet was missing for a day, said she did not even know she had lost it.

The morning after she lost her wallet, she said the unbelievable happened. Someone called her and told her they had found her wallet in a restroom.

"This girl named Sarah found my phone number on my checks and called me long distance," Ripley said. "She took time out of her day to wait while I drove half an hour to pick up my wallet."

Nothing was missing from Ripley's wallet, which she said she is extremely thankful for.

"I just want to let everyone know there are nice, honest people on campus and in Youngstown."



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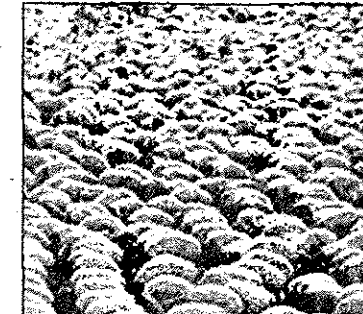
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Maag plugs into wireless tech.

By CHRISTINA POE
The Jambar

A wireless internet pilot project could pave the way for future technology advancements at Youngstown State University.

Although YSU administrators and students said the flexibility of wireless service could benefit their learning experience, they also agreed there were certain disadvantages of this system.

The pilot project began this semester with Maag library as its chosen site.

Maag Library director Paul Kobulnicky said the library was selected for the pilot due to its construction.

Concrete and other materials that could affect the success of wireless signals made the building the optimum place to start the test, Kobulnicky said.

Tom Doctor, director of Network Services, said wireless usage has been low, but that it was too early in the semester to judge the success of the pilot.

Kobulnicky said students

and faculty must have a CUE-mail account with the university and present their YSU ID with their library bar code in order to borrow one of the 20 available laptops. Each laptop has a three hour limit.

One of the main concerns with the wireless network, Doctor said, is security.

Doctor said that because the laptops are not plugged into an individual modem, many users have the same signal, increasing the risk of hacking information others may want kept private.

He added that the need for the wireless system was not urgent, but the university wanted to be prepared for the future.

"We wanted to get the heads up before the demand rose," Doctor said. "The pilot will be able to test what level of service it could afford users."

Another concern with going wireless is that it only has 1/10 of the speed of plug-in, Doctor said.

Junior Daniyal Mir said he would rather use stationary plug-in internet access than wait for a slower system.

"If the wireless internet is slower than the desktop, than I wouldn't mind being bogged down with one of those huge desktops," Mir said.

Junior Hanan Al-Nizami said that although he is unfamiliar with wireless, its reputation for low bandwidth would sway him to continue using a "normal computer" to access the web.

Though some students said the flexibility of a wireless internet would make up for what it lacks in speed.

Freshman Marissa Pecchia said she would use wireless because it would better suit her educational needs.

"Despite it being slow, it has more advantages, like being more mobile," Pecchia said. "It would make things easier."

Junior Naser Alwanni agreed, citing the versatility of wireless as a helpful asset around campus.

However, Alwanni said if he was in a rush, he would opt for a plug-in internet instead.

Call Christina Poe at (330) 941-3523.

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voters, and most of Kerry's support comes from older voters.

Their skepticism of young voters is found in students such as sophomore Anthony Chimento, who said he does not vote nor is he even registered. Freshman Alisha Gallagher said she does not follow politics and only knew who won the New Hampshire primary because of watching T.V. to see if school was closed.

However, there are college students that are concerned with this election, and the issues are important to them.

Junior Rondalynn Solomon said that she wants to vote for a democrat to help the economy. In addition, she feels that the president can deter-

mine important issues such as higher education funding.

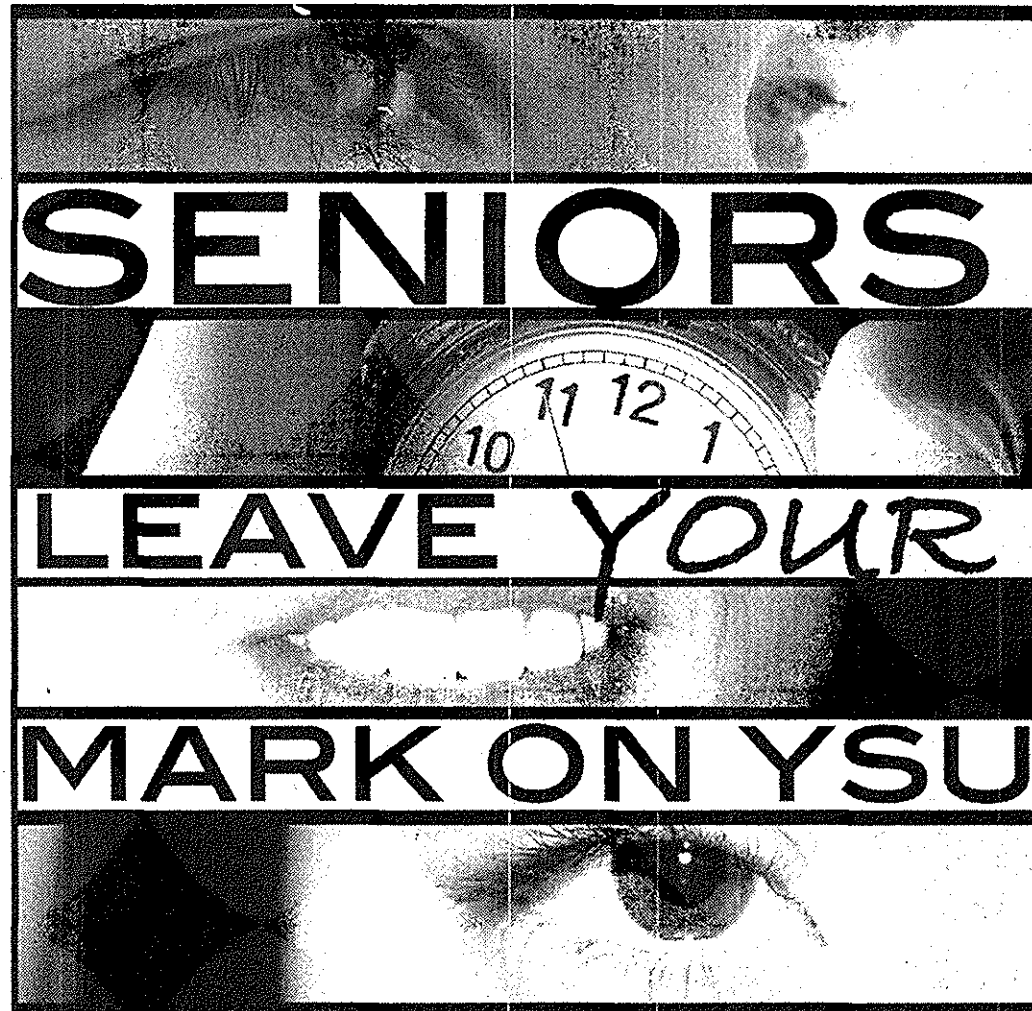
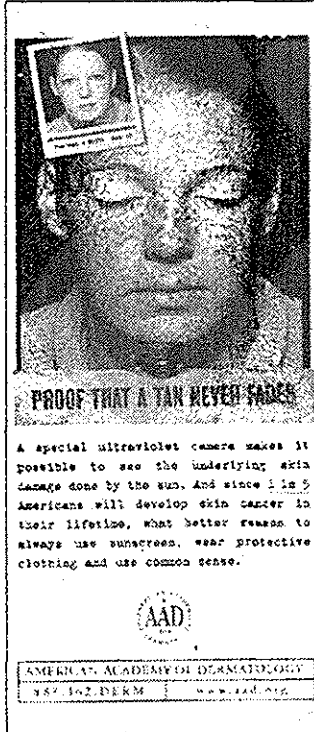
Senior Tom Demetri said that many YSU students may be interested if funding of public institutions was an issue.

Vogt agreed, saying the economy was "especially important for college students that are graduating and looking for jobs."

Solomon said that college voters should be focused on the elections because "we are the future of our country."

For students that are interested in voting in Ohio's primary, it will be held on March 2. The deadline to register to vote is February 2.

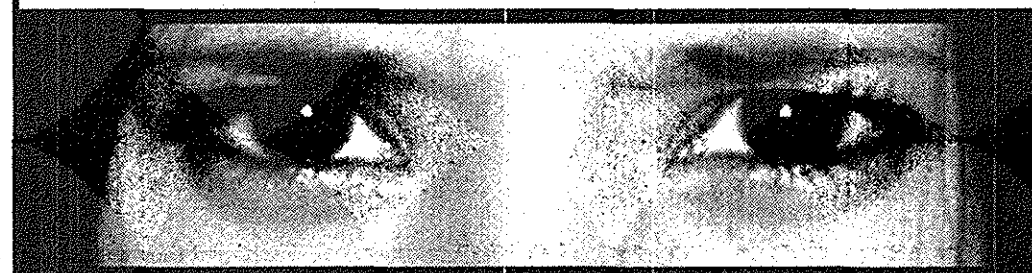
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If you're graduating this academic year and would like to be profiled in the Neon, contact us by phone at **330-941-1908** or by e-mail at crogers@zoominternet.net to set up your appointment.

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The following is a list of places, dates and times when staff from the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships will be available to distribute forms and answer questions:

Monday, January 26	10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	•Kilcawley Center - 1st Floor across from bank •Bliss Hall Lobby
Tuesday, January 27	10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	•Kilcawley Center - 1st Floor across from bank •Williamson Hall - Lobby
Wednesday, January 28	10 a.m. - 3 p.m. 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	•Kilcawley Center - 1st Floor across from bank •Moser Hall - Lobby •Maag Library - 1st floor Main Lobby
Thursday, January 29	10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	•Kilcawley Center - 1st Floor across from bank •DeBartolo Hall - Lobby

The City of Youngstown Community Development Agency

Announces that applications for 30th Year Community Development Funds will be available at the upcoming orientation session. To help facilitate proper completion of the application, CDA will host this orientation session to familiarize potential applicants with the process. Application will first be made available at the orientation session. **Attendance is strongly encouraged.**

The orientation session will be held **Monday, February 2, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.** at
Oakhill Renaissance Place
345 Oakhill Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44502

Funding priorities will include: Neighborhood revitalization; Safety services; Youth programming; Economic and Downtown development; and Demolition. Only proposals, which address these issues as consistent with the **Youngstown 2010 Vision**, will be given consideration during the evaluation process. Strict performance outcome/measuring processes will be applied to all proposals.

After the orientation, application packages will be available at the CDA office address below or also by mail. Potential applicants should carefully review all of the application material to ensure eligibility of projects and proper completion and submission of material. **Completed applications must be received in the CDA office no later than Friday, March 5th, 2004, at 4:00 p.m. Late applications will not be accepted.**

Questions regarding the application process should be directed to:
Community Development Agency - Sherry Moore
City Hall Annex Building
9 West Front St., Suite 205
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Today's Editorial

Late student is example for all

Students and faculty whined across campus Tuesday, complaining of the weather and cursing administrators for not canceling classes.

We moaned throughout the week, some for good reasons, but others just for the pure fun of complaining. While none of us are completely innocent, we should all be ashamed.

Tuesday's edition of The Jambar featured a story about a young woman and her ending battle with cancer. This story, we believe, should set an example for all of us.

Kimberly DeOnofrio, a social work major who lost her battle with ovarian cancer last March, was remembered by her mother and friends as a young woman "who loved her education and loved YSU."

Her mother, Mary DeOnofrio, and a friend recalled that DeOnofrio never missed a class — attending class up until one week before her death.

She never complained about her three and a half year fight with cancer, not even when she was bound to a wheelchair. But instead, DeOnofrio kept going, "determined to beat it."

We should all be so lucky that our biggest complaint is attending classes during a snowstorm.

While we were forced to trudge through snow and sleet, our adversity cannot compare with DeOnofrio's.

Described as having an "infectious enthusiasm for life," DeOnofrio should be remembered.

Through a \$10,000 scholarship fund in honor of DeOnofrio, \$500 a year will be awarded to one social work student with a 3.0 or higher grade point average. So far \$5,300 has been raised. The remaining \$4,700 will hopefully come through ticket sales for a Valentine's Day dinner held on Feb. 14. Tickets are \$25 per person and can be purchased through Vicky Pantoja by telephone at (440) 992-2356 or (330) 941-2020.

We encourage students, faculty, staff and administrators to donate to this scholarship.

Whether or not you ever met DeOnofrio, we should all be inspired by her strength.

Letter to the Editor

CSIS pays for own labs

Editor:

Michelle Fullerman's assertion that the CSIS labs in Meshel Hall are open only to CSIS majors and minors and students taking CSIS courses is accurate. What her letter does not state is that the CSIS Department is responsible for purchasing the paper and toner used in the labs from the department supplies budget and for paying the lab assistants who staff the labs from the CSIS student wages budget. The CSIS Department also has to find funds to update hardware and software used in the labs.

The department records show that the amount of money spent on paper and toner for the labs has decreased by 50% since fall 2002 when the lab was closed to students not enrolled in CSIS classes. There is likewise a decrease of more than 75% in printed pornography found in the printers and there has been

no reported illegal use of the CSIS lab computers since spring and summer 2003. Former problems involving excessive noise and game playing are also significantly reduced since implementing the present lab usage policy.

In addition, the CSIS faculty is responsible for hiring, training, and supervising the lab assistants. If equipment is stolen (which it has been), it is CSIS funds that must pay for replacement. No money is provided from general university funds to help support the operation of the labs.

Rather than pointing the finger at reasonable department policies designed to protect department resources, Ms. Fullerman should be advocating for open labs that are funded and staffed with funds provided by a centralized university funding source.

Virginia Phillips
CSIS Lab Coordinator

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Letters to the Editor

It's snowy out, but YSU is worth the drive

Editor:

The issue of classes being canceled has been going on and complained about forever. At times, I agree that the commute to school or work at YSU is dangerous and somewhat time consuming. As a college student, you have made the decision to create a career by educating yourself via going to college. College is your JOB. If you think that once you leave the university that the business that you work for will close every time the weather becomes inclement, think again.

As a non-traditional student here at YSU, I never even dreamed that because of snow that I wasn't going to have classes. Maybe this is the result of having to go to work for all those years regardless of weather conditions. I had jobs working outside, in garages and driving, even during bad weather. Your education is your job. Rain, shine, or snow it's time to go to work. You're not in high school anymore. I agree YSU is somewhat different

from other universities. Students work besides going to school, most commute and it is dangerous getting here during bad weather. I get amazed at the complaints to drive to get an education, yet can hear students talking about going to the mall or out to a club or bar during bad weather. The issue is the value of their education.

Students sometimes miss the priority of higher education. Universities and colleges don't traditionally close because of snow any more than the mills did. Students need to see that their education is the foundation of their career. You are starting at the ground level of that career and your education is what will take you where you want to be in the future. Not going because of snow at any business isn't usually an option.

I don't like driving in the bad weather either, but I come to work here at YSU regardless of weather. I drive from Trumbull County and make that commute also. I leave early and drive slower. I did

it as a student and I now do it as an employee. It isn't that the administration doesn't care for your safety; it's that you are now seen as an adult.

Get used to the idea. From this point in your life you will have to drive in bad weather to go to work. There are very few exceptions. Only school education employees get snow days. Even the support staff at the schools go to work in bad weather. Janitors, principals, and administrators have to go to work on snow days. Just because the students and teachers have the day off doesn't mean nobody is at the school.

So the next time it snows you can bet you'll have class. Get up, get ready, and take the drive to school. When you get that job that allows you to work indoors and out of the cold you will be very glad you did. Even in the snow.

Bill Border
Coordinator
Academic Achievers

When other universities close, so should YSU

Editor:

It is Tuesday and we have been pounded with freezing rain, sleet and snow for the last 48 hours. All the schools in the area are cancelled, including several colleges today ... Akron, Kent, Slippery Rock ... but not YSU. There's snow everywhere, ice everywhere; the national weather service tells people to not drive unless they absolutely have to ... but since hell has not yet frozen over, school MUST go on!

It really, really annoys me how they expect people to drive from 45 minutes away in a winter storm to get to class. They say they'll close school if they feel there is a need to do so ... let me ask you, what criteria is it that they follow? Do a certain amount

of students need to be hurt or killed in crashes getting here?

I, myself, am a resident (Buechner Hall) and when I get to class sore from falling and it's taking me nearly three times as long, I cannot even begin to imagine what it is like having to drive to class! It's ridiculous and the administration really needs to start caring about the students' wellbeing. When you see Akron and Kent cancelled, or when you look out the window and can't see in front of you because the snow is falling so hard, then that should tell you something.

Melissa Laufman
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'The Bible is truth, will never be outdated'

Editor:

A recent [letter to the editor] was published entitled "Same-sex unions won't affect Ms. Gerish" (The Jambar, Jan. 15). The issue that I am concerned with is the way the writer views Christian truths as "nonsense." It breaks my heart that so many people are missing the point of life. The Bible is truth, not nonsense, and it will never be "outdated." Romans 15:4 states, "For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scripture we might have hope."

The writer also stated that "logic will eventually prevail" and "people who think like Ms. Gerish will be called 'bigots' and 'segregationists'." As for the idea of logic, our understanding will never compare to God's. "For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength" (1 Corinthians 1:25). It is my prayer that more people will come to know God and find eternal joy, not grow farther from the truth.

It is not about what offends Christians; it's about God. It's about eternity. It's about salvation. Life is such a precious gift. God allows us to make our

own decisions, but he makes the final judgment. It is hard to conceive this life as temporary. In reality, life is but a breath compared to eternity. One day you will stand before God. In Revelation 22:12, Jesus gives us fair warning, saying, "Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done."

Do you feel prepared?
Julie Cole
Junior
Middle Childhood Education

Departments need to recognize student needs

Editor:

I am writing in response to the letter from a student in the Social Research 4851 class concerning the use of computer labs in Meshel Hall.

Students majoring in one of the three degree programs offered by CSIS have to pay hefty lab fees for almost all of the courses in their major. Those funds are used to maintain the Meshel Hall labs, to upgrade machines and software, to purchase projection systems, and to pay for student lab assistants. That takes a lot of money, and without the lab fees paid by CSIS students, little if any of this would be possible.

I absolutely agree with the author of the letter that students

should not be charged a lab fee when they don't have access to a lab. But having CSIS students bear the financial burden of general-access labs is just as unfair as charging a lab fee when there is no lab.

All departments need to recognize the special needs that some of their courses have for computer labs, and to plan and budget for those labs from their own resources. That is already done for chemistry labs, art studios, and other resources. It needs to be done for computer labs as well.

Bob Hogue
Associate Professor
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Christians shouldn't have to 'tolerate' gays

Editor:

I think the supporters of same-sex marriages are missing the point once again. According to Kevin Sturdevant's letter to the editor, "In no way are you now, nor will you ever be, hurt by a gay marriage." True. He was right in stating this, however, he was also blatantly ignoring the point Ms. Gerish made in her letter.

Mr. Sturdevant was correct in saying that it is not the role of the government to

enforce one particular belief.

Unfortunately for his argument, I don't exactly recall Ms. Gerish approving the enforcing of a said religion on anyone. She is a Christian. I am a Christian. We believe in the good Lord above, as do many people.

Would someone please tell me why Christians are told EVERYDAY to disobey our Father and tolerate homosexuals, when we live in a society that won't even try to tolerate us.

The only thing I know is this: Non-

Christians can call us whatever they want to. Bigots, segregationists, what have you. However, I find my peace knowing that on judgement day, I will have no worries of this excess sin on my heart.

"I can do all things through Christ" Philippians 4:13

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SPORTS & RECREATION

Golden Flash faces assault, drug charges

By MARK STEVENS
The Jambar

Last season against Ohio State, Kent State University quarterback Joshua Cribbs had his national college football coming out party.



CRIBBS

He was a one-on-eleven, whirling dervish of elusive lightning at quarterback. Despite his team being in over its collective head, Cribbs, now a junior and team captain, proved that he belonged on the field with the eventual national champs.

He's fast, agile and blessed with a natural ability for matriculating the football up the field. But none of the defenses he has faced were as tough as the steel bars that might become an intimate part of his future.

After a season where he continued to break records at KSU, Joshua Cribbs now finds himself in trouble with the law after a domestic dispute that led to other charges.

Cribbs was arrested

Saturday, Jan. 17 at his home on charges of domestic violence and trafficking marijuana. The domestic violence charge is a misdemeanor, while the trafficking charge is a felony.

According to ESPN.com, KSU Athletic Director Laing Kennedy has said that while Cribbs will not immediately lose his scholarship, he is suspended on the team and the suspension will continue until the situation is resolved.

On the athletic field, Cribbs has made his living setting records and guiding the Golden Flashes' offense. He led the Golden Flashes in both passing and rushing this year, combining for over 3,000 yards of total offense and nearly 30 touchdowns.

Despite his electric play and statistics, some members of the Youngstown State University football team feel as though his actions off the field should have a consequence of his removal from the team.

Senior Scott Thiessen said that he thinks Cribbs should face punishment for the black eye that his actions give the KSU program.

"I think he should be punished," Thiessen said. "If I was

a coach in Kent, I wouldn't want him back on my team. If one of my teammates did this, I would be embarrassed."

Senior Nick Terracina agreed with Thiessen.

"I think he should get kicked off the team and not be allowed to play again."

Junior Mike Bracken said that while he understood that Cribbs had made some wrong decisions, he disagreed with Thiessen and Terracina in how the team should treat the incident.

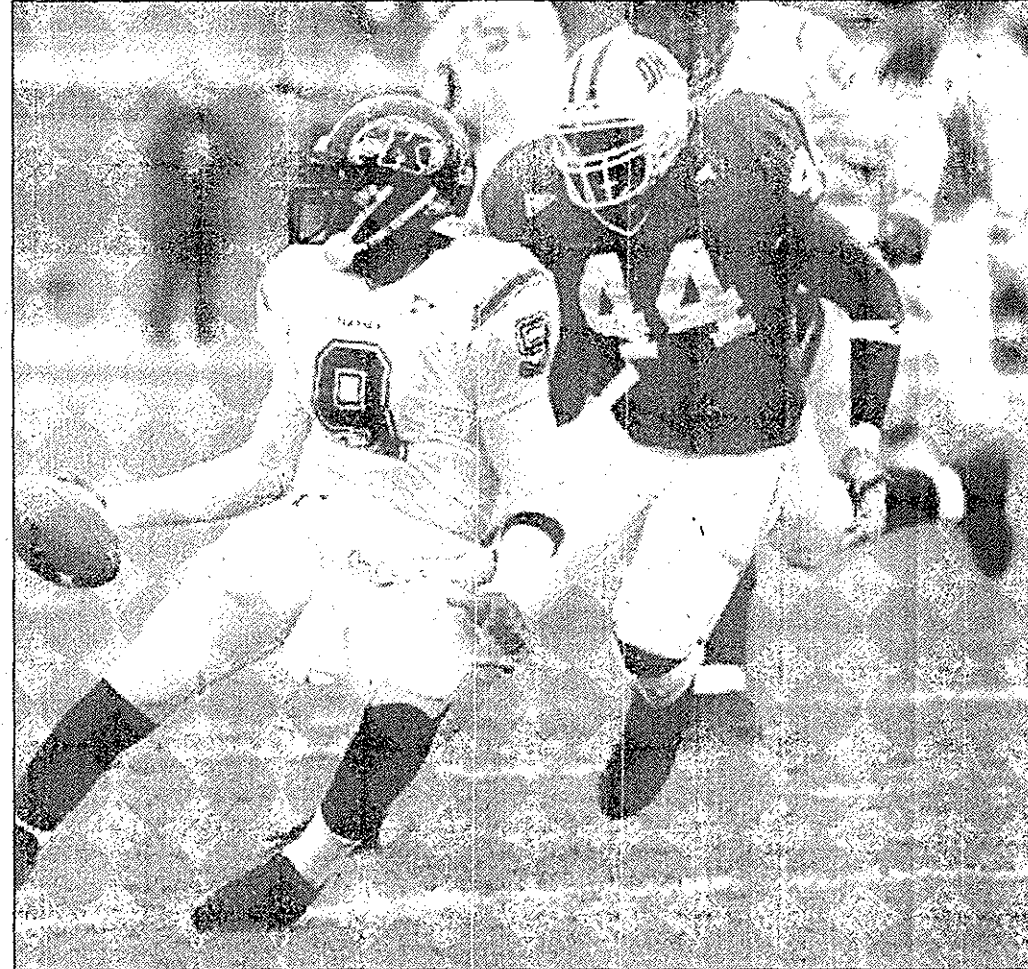
"He messed up. It happens, some people do it and get away with it, others don't. He obviously has a problem, but I wouldn't turn my back on him, I'd support him and help him."

If the outcome of Cribbs' legal battles is in his favor, he will have to deal with restoring his reputation with his teammates and regaining their trust.

If not, Cribbs faces an even more uphill battle. You can't outrun or juke prison bars.

Tammy Sos contributed to this article.

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QUARTERBACK UNDER FIRE: Kent State quarterback Joshua Cribbs tries avoiding a tackler in a contest earlier this season. Cribbs was arrested on January 17 for a domestic dispute and for a drug trafficking charge.

Track squads riding high after Michigan meet

By JOSHUA BOGGS
The Jambar

Head track and field coach Brian Gorby took his indoor track teams to Ypsilanti, Mich. with one goal in mind: to climb the ladder of higher competition standards and compete.



GORBY

Not only did they compete, but the women's team totaled 98.5 points for a second place overall Central Collegiate Championship finish. This year's finish was 77.5 points higher than last year's tenth place finish of 21 points.

"It was a phenomenal, awesome and impressive performance," Gorby said. "These folks believe in themselves and there are no limits."

Four members of the Youngstown State University women's team were also named Central Collegiate Champions by winning their individual events.

Freshman Lisa Davies won the 5,000-meter run in a personal-best time of 17:44.63.

"The race went very well because I

ran very even splits," Davies said. "I stayed right behind the girl that was leading the race. Once there was one lap left, the fun started. You just have to give what you have left."

Fellow distance runner junior Emily Schnitkey won the 3,000-meter run in a time of 10:24.27 and was seventh in the mile (5:13.60). Schnitkey had been sidelined for 10 months with a leg injury prior to the race.

"When I first came back [to running], I was surprised that I came back as well as I did," Schnitkey said. "I have a really strong faith in God and it [the time off] made me thankful for the ability that I have. I had confidence when coming back."

Freshman sprinter Danielle Bolt lived up to her last name as she bolted to a first place school record time of 7.62 seconds in the 60-meter dash. Bolt was also second in the 200-meter dash.

On Wednesday, Bolt was named women's track and field Horizon League Athlete of the Week because of her outstanding performance.

Junior Jeanna Cunningham edged out Bolt in the 200-meter dash by less than a quarter of a second to win the event with a time of 25.23 seconds. Cunningham (7:75) finished second to

Bolt in the 60.

Cunningham admits that she was impressed with herself, but that she and Bolt work together in many of their races together.

"We play around and it's like I told my mom that although Danielle got me in the 60, I got her back in the 200," Cunningham said. "It's a good healthy competition."

Gorby was pleased with his individuals, but ultimately with his team. "To win an individual championship is awesome," Gorby said. "To take second as a team and beat Detroit by 30 points is nothing short of impressive."

Also for the women's team, senior Leslie Johnson was fifth in the 400-meter dash (59.15), and eighth in the 200. Sophomore Alex Casi also performed well, adding an eighth place finish in the 400.

Freshman Marielle Glanz and sophomore Gina Mavrikis, were fifth and eighth in the half-mile with times of 2:28.72 and 2:32.1, respectively.

Placing eighth for the women's distance team were junior Lindsay Wojciak (5:27.81) in the mile and freshman Jenn Wenhold (10:55.75) in the 3,000.

In the jumping events, senior Laura

Schatz was fourth the high jump, clearing 5-3, and Casi and freshman Nikki Hooper were fourth and fifth in the long jump.

Freshman sisters Amy and Lindsey Hill were also eighth and ninth in the shot put with sophomore thrower Katy Williams placing tenth in the weight throw.

In men's action, junior Jarrod Davis' third-place toss of 52-8 feet in the weight throw earned him a school record and led his team to a sixth place, 15-point overall finish. Davis also finished fifth in the shot put (49-1).

Placing on the men's side for the sprinters were junior Papis Joh, who was eighth in the 400 (49.68) and tenth in the 200 (22.26). Senior sprinters Sherod Holmes and Darius Peterson also placed 11th and 14th in the 60 with times of 7.07 seconds and 7.29 seconds, respectively.

Also scoring for the men's team were sophomore Joe Bruderly and Drew Weizer adding ninth and tenth place finishes in the shot and junior distance runners Nick Buzek, sixth in the 5,000 (15:02.82) and Jeremy Riehm, 10th in the 3,000 (8:53.55).

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He added that he plans to meet with financial aid officials to discuss budget constraints of the work study program.

Ruse said she has only heard of one situation in which a work study employee in an educational department had to be terminated because there was not enough funds to keep the person employed as a regular employee.

Ruse also said complaints may be connected to when work study students began their employment.

She said many students began working in the summer this year, which caused their money to be expended faster.

"In the past, if a student's money was exhausted and they still had more financial need, we increased their allocation," Ruse said.

However, the financial aid office, she said, no longer has enough funds to provide this service to those special cases.

Ruse said a few departments expressed some dissatisfaction, but many have said they would keep their work study students on as department employees.

Janice Schnall, associate director for administration and operations at Maag Library, said the library staff has not yet received notification of exhausted work study funds.

However, Schnall said if the situation arose, the library would offer the student a regular job as long as the money was available.

"We have wonderful students and would make every effort to keep them employed," Schnall said.

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open when other schools have closed. However, Habat said he hopes the faculty is sensitive to students in that situation.

"Students should do what's best for their family," Habat said. "Weather causes inconveniences and we don't want them to take a safety risk to get to class."

English professor Kevin Ball said he tries to "structure his course policy on attendance allowing for certain contingencies." He said usually parents contact him via e-mail and turn in their assignments.

"You do the best you can with the situation," Ball said. Cancelled classes for children of students can also cause a financial inconvenience.

Sophomore Toni Vasquez was forced to bring her 10-year-old twin sons with her to classes Tuesday when Niles City Schools were closed. After going to Arby's and the candy

store, the history major said it cost her \$30 to feed them.

While YSU does have on-site daycare available with age appropriate activities for children age six weeks to 12 years, facility administrators said it is not a drop off service.

Located in Fedor Hall, Wee Care Daycare Assistant Administrator Diann Mosora said they do have clients on snow days but they have to call first and be registered with the center.

Their fee for what they consider an "Emergency Service" starts at \$32.40 and includes a meal and two snacks for six to nine hours of care.

"Parents should plan ahead and pre-enroll," Mosora said. "So when inclement weather hits, they have a place for their children."

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accurate read about how much progress has been made since last fall.

"I just became dean last July so many of the changes we've instituted we won't have the results for," Ginnetti said. "I won't be satisfied until we have a 100 percent passing-rate in the department."

After hearing about YSU's poor performance, several education majors said they are not convinced that the Praxis exams give an accurate reading of how they

would perform as teachers.

"I don't think its purpose is valid because it doesn't give an accurate assessment on what kind of teacher you'll be," senior Allicyn Romeo said.

Romeo said she has more of an incentive this year because her graduation depends on passing the test. She said her professors have been giving more quizzes with questions drawn from the Praxis II.

Tom O'Brien, coordi-

nator of the Praxis Center, said some YSU professors offer tutorials and seminars based on the Praxis II. Although he has not seen the results of the test, O'Brien attributes the success of other universities to their higher costs of tuition.

"Most students from this area who go away to school have pressure from their parents to succeed faster due to higher prices of tuition," O'Brien said.

According to the Praxis II test results, the

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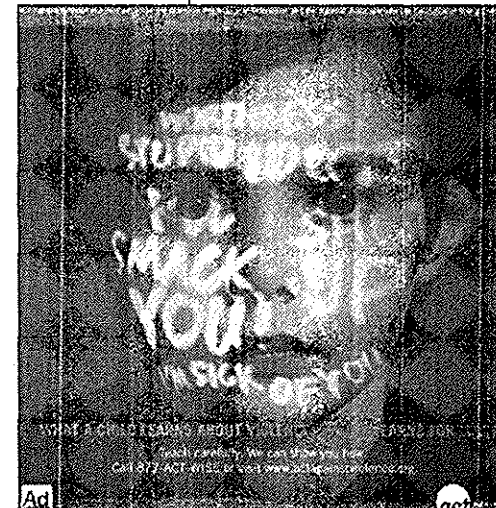
not going to give me any reason to do so? I find one characteristic of the film especially confusing: Evan travels back to the past several times and drastically changes the course of events for him and his friends, but what about everyone else? Are these kids the only ones affected by the time travel?

I am reminded of the "Back to the Future" trilogy, which handled this subject so much more delicately, like when Biff, back in the '50s, got his hands on the sports almanac and eventually changed the fate of all of Hidden Valley. In "The Butterfly Effect," the surroundings all remain the same, and the characters and situations do not improve one iota.

Maybe it is Kutcher's devious hidden cam-


era show "Punk'd" that has us waiting for his next move on the Hollywood scene. Maybe this movie is part of the show. Did I get "punk'd"? Is that why this movie is so bad? Hey, where are the cameras? No? Oh, well. At least this guy still has Demi... until she sees the flick, that is.

One bright spot in the film happens to be the appearance of actress Melora Walters, who was also featured in the thunderous emotional epic "Magnolia," which also tells stories of coincidence and cause-and-effect. Indeed, it was nice to see her in "The Butterfly Effect," but even nicer in "Magnolia." Yes, much nicer, so you should probably see that instead.



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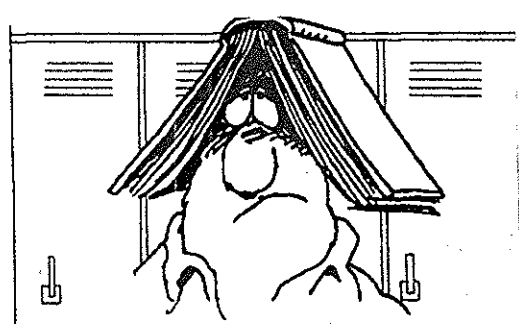
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

No oils or clay, this art show in the nude

By SARA TKAC
The Jambar

Last Friday, I fought the elements and traveled across the frozen tundra of I-80 to get to the opening of Spencer Tunick's "Manmade and Natural" exhibit at the Cleveland Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA). The place was packed, and it took me a few minutes to find the actual exhibit through the sea of wineglasses and people.

This particular show was focused mainly on large groups of nudes, rather than the one or two subject installations that Tunick has done in the past. The images were large, varying in size from 37" x 30" to 71" x 89" and mounted in plexiglass. The installations were shot all over the world from Brazil to Lisbon to Australia.

For the readers who don't know Tunick, here is little history on the artist. Tunick is the guy who gets hundreds and thousands of people to take off their clothes for him for a short period of time to pose in a public space, for temporary site related installations to be photographed as a record of the event. He has been photographing nudes since 1992.

According to Tunick's website, www.spencertunick.com, he takes the groups of people and arranges them in such a way that they become an abstract shape, or texture, rather than simply nudes.

The stark contrast of the organic human form against manmade buildings and landscapes is an intense artistic statement and creates beautiful pieces of art. Tunick combines sculpture, performance and land art to create his mystifying and complex pieces.

I had two favorite pieces of the evening, the first being "Eduardo VII (Lisbon) 2000," consisting of 14 nudes arranged in a line down the center of the image, juxtaposing the manmade landscape of line and the suggestion of boxes within a well maintained garden. The image was simple in color scheme consisting of flesh, vary-

ing hues of green and grayish-blue atmosphere and sky.

Another noteworthy piece was "Brazil 5 (XXV São Paulo Bienal) 2002" in which the nudes are packed into an indoor space in the lower half of the image with window panes occupying the upper half creating an excellent variation of shape and form. Again, the color scheme was very simple, consisting of flesh, shades of blue, and black line.

This is not to say that the rest of the exhibition was not good; it was an excellent showing overall. I was just more attracted to these two works.

These pieces are important to the art world, very important. Not only did Tunick get arrested 5 times for his installations in New York City, but he "fought" [former New York mayor Rudolph] Giuliani and won." He sued the city for violating his First Amendment rights and the court found in his favor, making him able to produce temporary site related installations all over New York City whenever he so desires.

I had the pleasure of speaking with Tunick in-depth about his work. In regards to his installations, he said, "It [his art] is remaining constant, it is not about creating a new idea, it is about exploring this idea fully. In 2001, I started working with bigger groups of people. It is a whole new ballgame." It has taken him 3 years to plan, organize and execute enough installations to have enough work for a successful show, besides the video that usually accompanies the gallery installations.

Each piece has to be printed by a professional lab, under his scrutinizing supervision.

Tunick stated, "Most contemporary artists today don't print their own work. They supervise instead. I approve all steps of the tedious, long process. I wish I didn't have to do it this way, but my work requires a professional printer, if only because of the

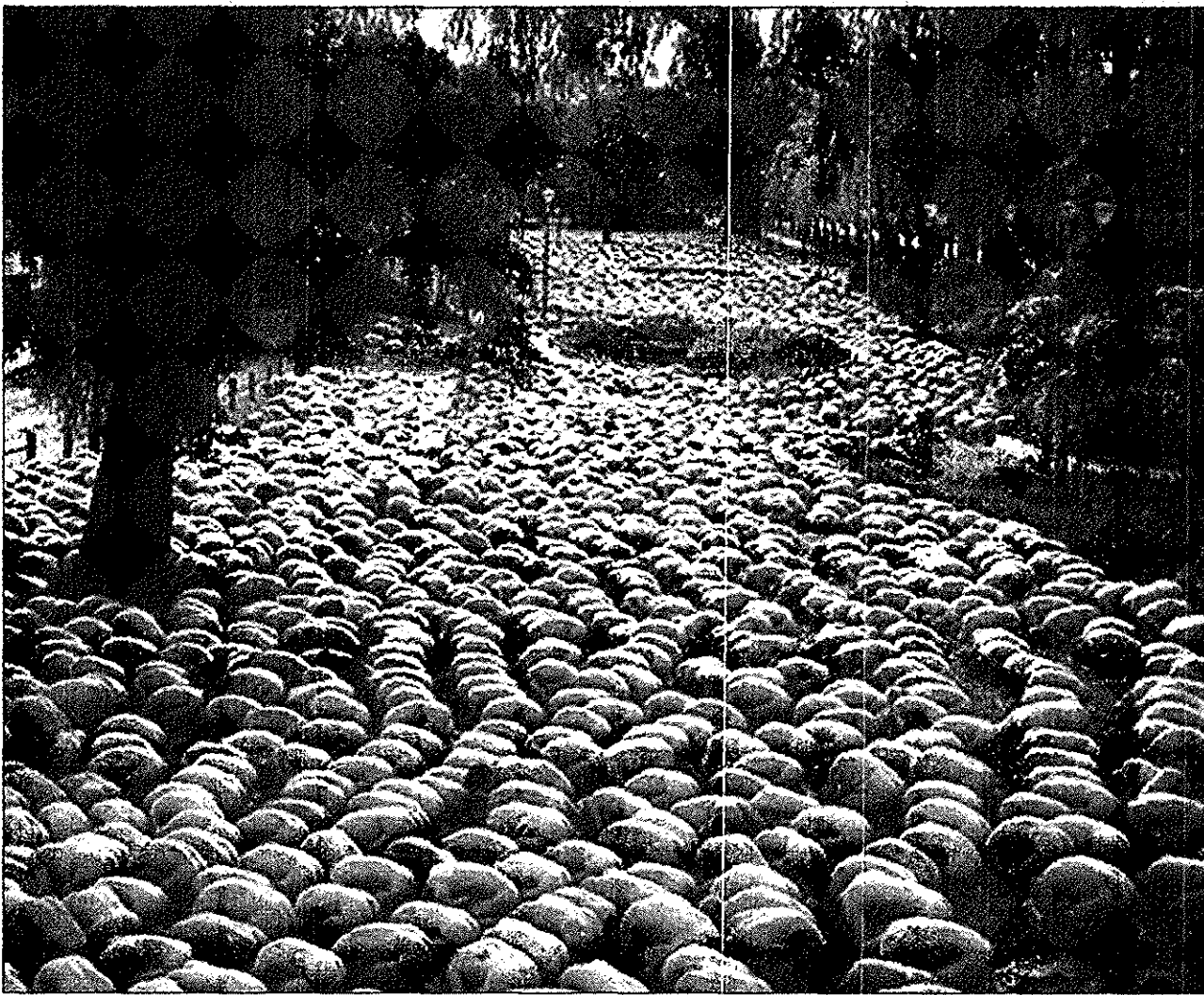


Photo courtesy of Spencer Tunick

MOON OVER MELBOURNE: Contemporary artist Spencer Tunick often uses the nude human form in his pieces. He will be doing an upcoming production in the Cleveland area where he expects 3,000 people.

size."

"I look at my work the way that a painter who uses repetitive shapes might view their work; for instance, I am more like Ellsworth Kelly than Matthew Barney, whose work is constantly changing."

Kelly Bird of the MOCA said, "We are dedicated to thought-provoking exhibitions that are cutting edge. Tunick is one of the leading artists of our generation. He explores sexuality in the public sector and what it is to be nude and free and correlates it to con-

temporary culture"

Tunick is planning his next installation right here in Ohio. He is currently working with the MOCA, searching out a location for his next scheduled event, which will be taking place in Cleveland in the end of June. Bird said the group is expecting upwards of 3,000 people in attendance. Anyone is welcome to participate in the performance. The site has not yet been identified, but anyone interested can sign up by going to www.MOCAcleveland.org/tunick.htm.

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About the upcoming Cleveland project, Tunick said, "I have never worked with more than 1200 people." This next installation will surely be revolutionary and being that Cleveland is just a short drive from YSU, hopefully some Youngstown natives will be a part of the historic event.

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Don't gouge out our eyes, it's OK to look Critics 'punk' Ashton

His side:

Reader, let's you and I do each other a big favor and play pretend and imagine that the last two weeks of "Student Bodies" never happened. We tried something new. Flat out, it didn't work.

But life is about trial and error. If it weren't for some brave souls trying new things, we might not have great breakthroughs like Gatorade X-Factor, "My Big Fat, Obnoxious Fiancé," ranch-flavored sunflower seeds, internet gambling, "Punk'd," draught beer, festival-style gyros, spellchecker, the miniskirt, baby back ribs or CD burners — not to mention all of the "real men of genius" from the beer commercials.

So we'll both just chalk it up as a well-intended mistake and move on.

Let's this week ponder something together. Does committing yourself to being with someone mean that you must forgo the pleasures of noticing attractive members of whichever sex you find appealing?

See, puritans and fundamentalists of various natures — combined with controlling, insecure people — will tell you that looking constitutes cheating. But is that really the way it has to be?

I'm talking about regular, beautiful women that I see on campus, at the store or anywhere else. Is there something wrong with noticing that a woman's outfit compliments her better attributes? Am I to bear a scarlet A for noticing that a female spends time taking care of her appearance?

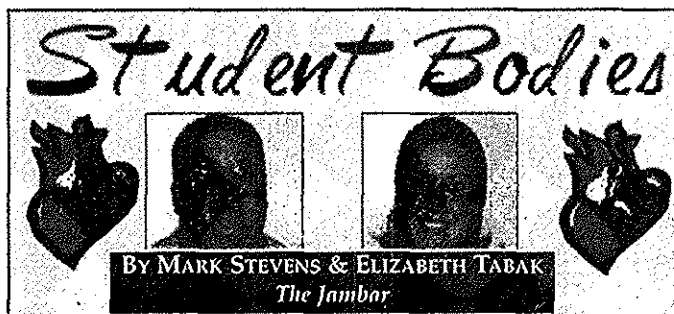
I think not. As my cousin — or brother, whichever you prefer — Tom so elegantly puts it: "I feel like I should be able to window shop as long as I don't try on the merchandise."

And it works both ways. Guys don't expect their girlfriends to forget what they find attractive in a man. After all, if they were to so quickly lose sight of those things, they might just as quickly forget what attracted them to their boyfriends in the first place.

And just as a note to clarify, by "noticing" and "looking" I'm not talking about the guys that seem to forget that women have eyes about a foot and a half above their breasts. I'm not talking about the guy who sits in the back of the class because he thinks he might get to check out what color underwear the girl who sits in front of him has on.

And I'm certainly not talking about the starers. You know these guys. They're the ones who seem to stop having cognitive thoughts every time an attractive woman walks past them as they scoop their eyes off of the girl's ass and shove them back into their heads.

I'm just talking about seeing, noticing and appreciating their chosen deity's beautiful, wondrous creation: the female form.



"As my cousin — or brother, whichever you prefer — Tom so elegantly puts it: 'I feel like I should be able to window shop as long as I don't try on the merchandise.'"

In all shapes, sizes, heights and weights, the curves and smooth lines of the female form combine to create a work of art of the highest degree. Form and function alike, the features of a woman and her body are to be held in admiration.

Her Side:

In reference to my counterpart's comment about the "starers," well it happens sometimes in the most innocently of ways. Sometimes (definitely not often) a mere glance of recognition is not enough to fully appreciate the "chosen deity." Sometimes (notice again the sometimes) the person is so jaw-droppingly gorgeous that one can't help but stare.

Take, for example, a certain god my friend and I refer to as "the sun." Why such an obnoxious moniker for such a deserving creation? It is because he is so blindingly beautiful that we can't help but stare at him. However, prolonged exposure to such a sight could be dangerous, and possibly raise our expectations to a level of superiority that is not usually found in the greater Youngstown area.

That said, my friend admitted that she is starting to feel guilty for noticing "the sun." She said she thinks it is not fair to her boyfriend of a few months. I, on the other hand, must agree with Mark.

Noticing an attractive person does not constitute cheating. It constitutes having a pulse, and at least one good eye, even if it is wander-

ing. I have never ever understood why men and women alike get so bent out of shape that their girlfriend or boyfriend or husband or wife has good taste in human form. The bottom line is that if they are with you, who cares if they happen to have a wandering eye? As long as they don't follow it then why worry?

On the same note, not to sound condescending or well, female dog-ish, if you do happen to be so self-conscious that you freak out every time your "sweetheart" notices someone looks good, then maybe you should work on your own appearance so the attention is always on you. It's just a suggestion.

Otherwise, if you are not willing to look at the situation in that light, then chill out and shut up.

There is nothing wrong with noticing an exceptional example of your gender of interest, and sometimes a generous amount of attention has to be granted to those who deserve it.

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BAD REVIEWS: Ashton Kutcher and Amy Smart star in "The Butterfly Effect."

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TUSCALOOSA, Ala. - What exactly did Ashton Kutcher do?

This guy has become a huge star for no good reason (that I know of), except for the fact that he is dating the voluptuous vixen Demi Moore. A fine choice and achievement, indeed, Mr. Kutcher, but is that what skyrocketed him to fame in Tinseltown? Perhaps it is his acting skills or his years of professional experience in front of the camera that have labeled this kid as a giant among giants in the industry.

No, it's not. At least not from his latest attempt at making a feature film, or what some people might call a headache. This headache, called The Butterfly Effect, tries to twist, turn and bend our minds until the picture finally fades out in the end, but it fails by attacking us with a jumbled plot, sloppy visuals and predictable results.

Chicago Sun Times film critic Roger Ebert said it best in his review, when he wrote, "There's so much flashing

forward and backward, so many spins of fate. ... After a while I felt that I, as well as time, was being jerked around."

Ebert's "forward and backward" claim refers to the film's plot, which involves Kutcher's character, Evan, who is able to travel through time by reading his journal, where he attempts to change the fate of himself and his friends, who have been dramatically affected by events involving fireworks accidents, child molestation, the kidnapping and murdering of a pet dog and several other occurrences that have left these people emotionally scarred.

Evan, who suffers from frequent blackouts, feels an obligation to set things right by time-traveling, but it seems that whenever he tries to change something for the better, something else is harmed by his actions.

Not since Big Fish have I felt so bemused as to why I should care about all of these stories and events taking place before my eyes. Why should I feel anything for these characters if they are

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