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YSU food services hope to unionize

By CHRISTIAN POE
The Jambar

Some Youngstown State University food service workers are trying to unionize, but others are opposed and the administration is saying that the matter must be resolved by the private company in charge

of campus food.

"We believe it is time for us to have a voice on the job to achieve higher wages, affordable health insurance, fair treatment and rights concerning our schedule and hours," the workers wrote in a January letter to YSU administrators. The food service employ-

ees are working with the Local 10 Chapter of the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union. While the letter is signed by 11 employees, another letter signed by 32 employees was sent to administrators objecting the unionization effort.

Administrators are not commenting about the effort to unionize and an official for the company with the contract said she had no knowledge of the organizing attempts.

Sodexo now has the contract to operate many campus food operations, including Christman Dining Commons,

Café Ala Carte, Marketplace and campus catering.

"We are not against unionizing," Sodexo Public Relations Manager Bonnie Goldstein said. "Sometimes when a union steps in it does not allow us to individually sit

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Grant has students looking to the stars

By COLLEEN HAVENS
The Jambar

Area middle school and high school students will have the chance to attend Space Camp for free this summer.

The Terry Lynch Foundation will be granting four Space Camp scholarships to area students who will participate in two contests for the chance to win a full scholarship to attend the U.S. Space Camp in Huntsville, Ala.

The Terry Lynch Foundation was created in memory of Terry Lynch, a YSU graduate, who was killed during the terrorist

attacks against the Pentagon on Sept. 11, 2001.

Lynch's widow Jackie is creating the scholarships because of her husband's love for the Space Camp.

Lynch said Terry helped build the Space Camp in Huntsville. She said he helped get the funding for the camp and he brought in most of the equipment.

"Terry loved the Space Camp and he loved YSU, so I thought it was fitting for me to bring the scholarships to the area," she said.

History department chair Martha Pallante said the scholarships will run in conjunction with National History Day.

Pallante said the scholarships are available to students in grades six through 12 and who live in U.S. Reps. Tim Ryan and Ted Strickland's districts. She said the students will have the chance to participate in an essay contest and a poster-designing contest.

"One middle school and one high school student will be chosen as the winners of the essay contest and the same goes for the poster contest," she said. "Those four students will attend Space Camp for a week in July."

Pallante said the students will submit a poster or an essay describing the creation of a human colony on Mars.

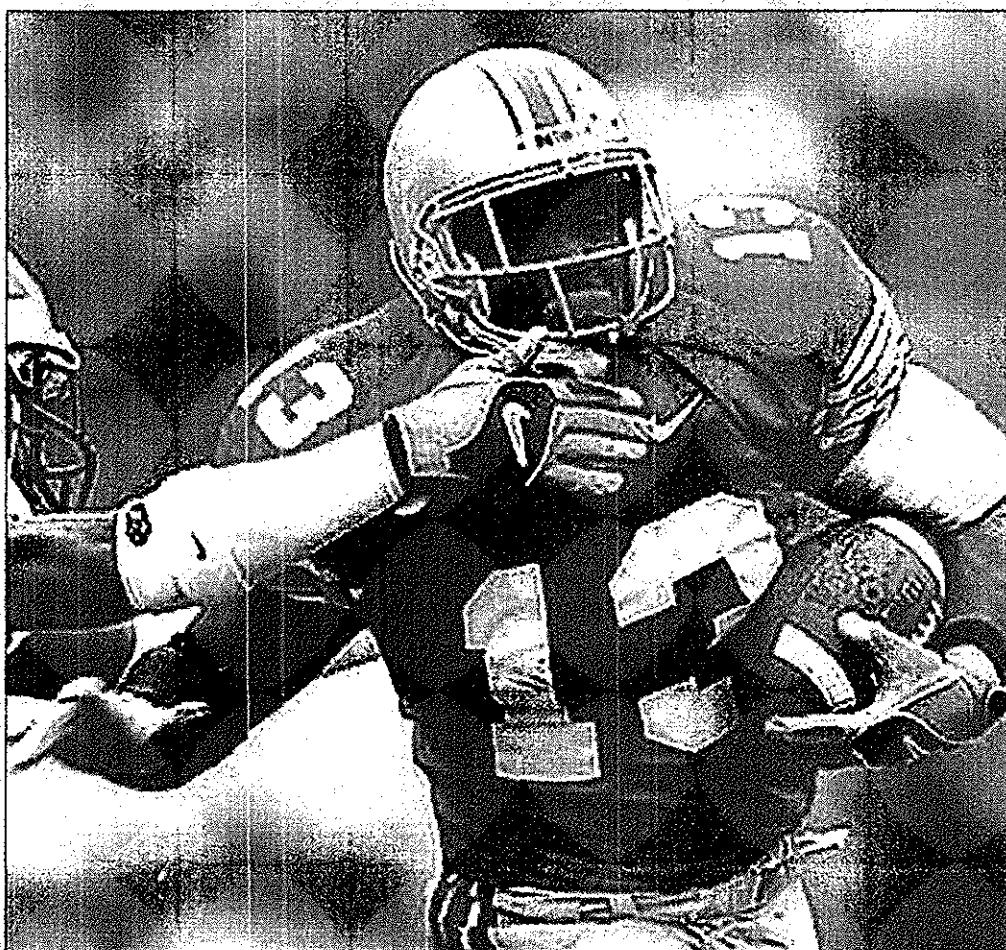
Ryan and Strickland are excited that students from their districts will have the chance for a once in a lifetime opportunity to attend Space Camp.

Strickland said this is a great opportunity for students who have the skills and the drive but lack the financial means to attend something like this.

"It is great that we can reach out to those students who would never have the chance to have this kind of

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Clarett ruling could change college system



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CHALLENGE: Maurice Clarett recently challenged the NFL rule regarding eligibility for the draft. The decision allows underclassmen to declare for the draft.

By MICHAEL J. BALALE
The Jambar

Just weeks before Maurice Clarett sent a letter of intent to the NFL, his cousin said that The Ohio State University star running back told him he might come to Youngstown State University next year.

"He wanted to go back to OSU, but they were giving him problems so he thought about coming to YSU just to piss people off," Matt Smith said.

Clarett challenged an NFL rule that does not allow a player to enter the NFL until three years has past since their graduating class has walked at commencement. A federal judge declared last week that the NFL's 14 year-old rule violated antitrust laws and ruled in favor of Clarett.

The NFL will undoubtedly appeal the U.S. District Judges decision prior to the NFL draft in April, according to an ESPN.com recent news story.

"If he played another year of college, people are going to do whatever they

could to keep him out of the NFL," Smith said.

If the judge's ruling stands, Clarett's decision to challenge the NFL could pave the way for future star athletes to leave college early in hopes of achieving the millions of dollars that await them in the NFL.

Thom McDaniels, head coach of Warren G. Harding High School, coached Clarett and said that younger players and their families tend to be bad judges of talent. McDaniels added that if Clarett does play in the NFL next year, it might threaten the college and professional games, causing a tidal wave effect, primarily with scouting and recruiting.

"It's a bad ruling, and if upheld, the talent pool will be significantly altered," McDaniels said.

Some YSU students and football players say what the star running back is doing will prove to be a grave mistake and that he isn't mature enough to handle the stardom, nor does he possess the strength to stay healthy for an

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Diversity study probes colleges

By STEPHANIE BARITZ
Cornell Daily Sun (Cornell U.)

(U-WIRE) ITHACA, N.Y.

Females and minorities represent more than half of the students in higher education across the United States, yet they continue to be a minority among the faculty members educating such students. A press conference and Congressional briefing in Washington, D.C., recently addressed a new study, which revealed that women and minority faculty members are significantly under-represented at the nation's top fifty research universities.

The study, called "A National Analysis of Diversity in Science and Engineering Faculties at Research Universities," was conducted by Dr. Donna J. Nelson and Diana C. Rogers at the University of Oklahoma. In it,

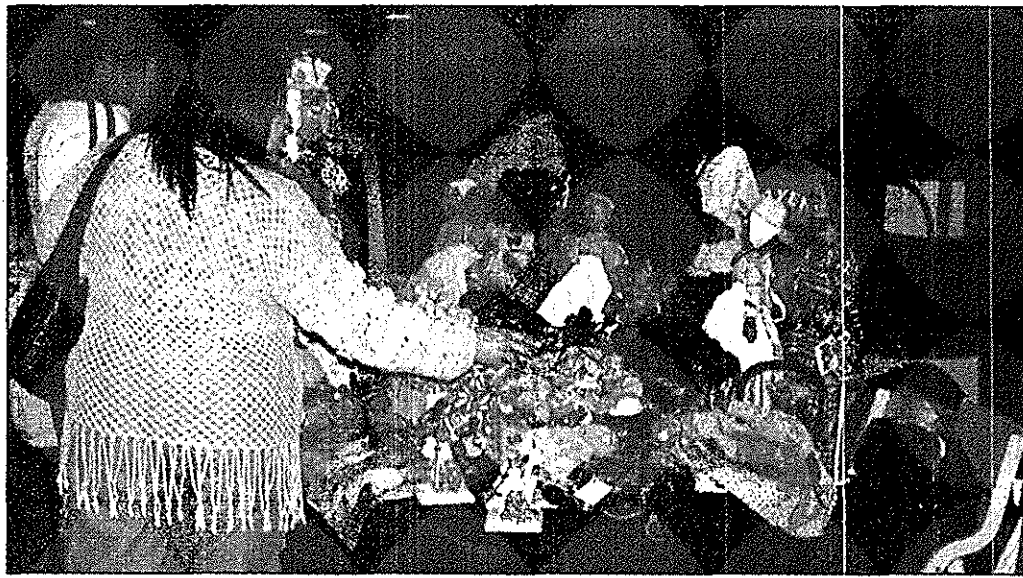
the two women found that despite an increasing number of women earning doctorates, the number of new women faculty members is not proportional.

According to the study, while in the biological sciences almost half of the doctoral students between 1993 and 2002 were women, only 30.2 percent of the assistant professors in 2002 were women. Additionally, female students make up about 58 percent of all biology students, while female faculty members represent approximately 20 percent of their departments.

The percentage of women on the faculty of math, science, and engineering departments at these universities range from 3 to 15 percent, and most of these women are white. No black, Hispanic, or American Indian women are tenured fac-

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Market celebrates black history



Elizabeth Tabak / The Jambar

MARKET: Attendees of the African Marketplace look over authentic African goods in Kilcawley Center Saturday. The event was a highlight of Black History Month.

By COLLEEN HAVENS
The Jambar

The smoky aroma of incense filled the air.

Colorful fabrics spilled from the tables as quick chatter and rhythmic drumbeats transformed Kilcawley Center's Chestnut Room into a bustling African Marketplace Saturday

afternoon.

The marketplace, one of the highlights of the Black History month celebration at Youngstown State University, featured a variety of vendors specializing in African and African-American items.

Director of Africana Studies Victor Wan-Tatah said the African Marketplace is

important for a variety of reasons. He said the marketplace gives people an authentic experience of Africa by recreating the daily or weekly central event in African societies, bringing people together from different neighborhoods and backgrounds.

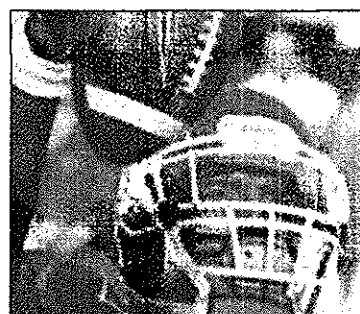
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down one-on-one with the employees."

In their letter to administrators, the workers supporting the union asked for administrators to help them ensure that Sodexho managers would not be able to retaliate against them for leading the effort to unionize.

The workers seeking a union asked for what they called a "card count neutrality agreement" where Sodexho would be barred from threatening workers and holding meetings to talk workers out of organizing. The agreement also asks that Sodexho create an atmosphere "free from pressure, intimidation and harassment."

In addition, the agreement also seeks that Sodexho recognizes the union and begins bargaining once a majority of workers have signed union cards.

The letter opposing the union, however, accuses union organizers of the same harassment charges against Sodexho.

"Union representatives have been going to employees' doors late at night or early in the morning offering rides, phone cards and other gifts," read the letter opposing the union.

The Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union is making similar charges against

Sodexho. Hotel employees' organizer Amir Deen said Sodexho officials have been lobbying employees to work against the union effort.

Deen also said he has been distributing phone cards to workers so that they do not have to call him long distance. He also acknowledged that rides are being offered to employees to attend organizational meetings.

None of those contacted who signed the petition opposing the union would comment about why they are against the organization effort.

Several who support unionization did share their ideas, saying that a union would give them a voice concerning affordable health care, higher wages and better hours.

Alberta Teague, a caterer for the past five years, said she has issues with the system for reprimanding and terminating employees.

She said the current point system used by Sodexho is unfair to workers with illness or children.

Under the system, an employee receives a point for each absence or early leave. After obtaining eight points, the person is fired. Even workers with a valid doctor's excuse are given a point, Teague said.

Teague also mentioned the high cost of health insurance,

saying many workers are not given enough hours to cover the insurance.

Junior Hannah Foster, an employee of Christman Dining Commons and Café Ala Carte, agreed, saying wages below \$6 per hour force many workers to get second and third jobs in order to support their families.

Foster said the work force is "manipulated" by the fact that YSU is one of the only locations in Youngstown for locals to get decent jobs, and added that they are "thrown peanuts" embracing the chance to earn anything at all.

"It's an uneven playing field," Foster said. "People need to be getting paid what they're worth."

Foster also said she is unhappy that she receives more pay than many workers who have been employed longer. Though grateful, she said everyone should get an equal amount of pay.

Amos Walker, a cook at Christman since 1991, said it is important for the workers to have a say in who leads them and the environment where they work.

"It's like apple pie and ice cream," Walker said. "It's the American way."

Call Christina Poe at (330) 941-3523.

News in brief**Sojourner House to sponsor event**

Sojourner House Domestic Violence Program is sponsoring an educational and fun event for women on Saturday, Feb. 21, 2004. A variety of seminars that are aimed at improving women's lives will be available. There will also be yoga, pilates and stress relieving seminars.

Breakfast and lunch will be served, with a wine tasting immediately following. There will be free health screenings, massages or hand treatments.

The registration deadline is Feb. 13 and the cost is \$65 a person. For more information, check www.sojournerhouse.com.

DiGregorio honored at YSU banquet

On Tuesday, Feb. 3, the 14th annual Penguin Club Scholarship/Ring Dinner honored former Youngstown State University women's basketball coach Ed DiGregorio and the Ray Travaglini family as the 2004 Penguins of the Year.

DiGregorio had a career record of 319-241 and guided his team to five consecutive regular season league crowns, six 20-win seasons, three conference tournament titles, three trips to the NCAA Tournament and an appearance in the second round of the "Big Dance."

Travaglini founded the Imperial Development Corporation and later the Sanray Corporation and owns 30 Perkins Restaurants in the area.

His company, known as Travaglini Express, Inc., employs more than 3,000 people.



DIGREGORIO

Pepino named league athlete of the week

PEPINO

Youngstown State men's tennis player Raul Pepino was named Horizon League Athlete of the Week for the period ending Feb. 4 for his recent performances on the court.

Pepino, a senior, helped to lift the Penguins to a 5-2 win over Cleveland State on

Saturday, Jan. 31.

He also won his No. 1 singles match against Jay Tee 5-7, 6-3, 7-5, and teamed up with Kevin Schaffert for a win in No. 1 doubles action, 8-6.

Pepino has an overall record of 1-1 at No. 1 singles this spring.

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Today's Editorial

Submit your local favorites

Do you have a favorite pizza? How about a favorite place to study? Or, even a place that you think is the best to purchase books? The Jambar wants your opinion. In today's edition of The Jambar, we have included a list of choices for the best of the community and the campus. For each category named choose your favorites, and return them to The Jambar in the basement of Fedor Hall. Or, submit them electronically at www.thejambar.com.

The categories are as follows:

- Who has the best pizza?
- Who has the best wings?
- Who has the best beer?
- Who has the best drink specials?
- Where is the best place to study?
- Who has the best prices on books?
- Where is the best place to watch a game?
- Who has the best coffee?
- Who has the best bar atmosphere?
- Where is the best place to work out?
- Who offers the best entertainment?
- What building has the best computer lab on campus?
- Where is the best place to see or rent a movie?
- Where is the best place to go on a date?

Once your votes are counted, The Jambar will print the results giving the recognition to those places that have earned it.

The Jambar is doing this to help students and the larger YSU community recognize the many wonderful aspects of our community and campus.

Whether it is your favorite bar, coffeehouse or computer lab, your opinion will have value for others.

As the student newspaper of Youngstown State University, The Jambar remains committed to giving you the information you need to be informed, entertained and enlightened.

We urge you to submit and share your favorites in our area.

Letters to the Editor

Gerish defends views

Editor:

I just wanted to say a few things before "I shake the dust from my shoes," and move on.

To George Andres I would like to say, read my article again. I am to judge the actions of a person, not the person. I don't know what is in someone's heart. That is for God to decide.

To Mr. DeSimone I would like to say, read about Thomas Jefferson. You will see that the separation of church and state is in a letter that he wrote to a Baptist Church in Danbury, Jan. 1, 1802. It is nowhere in the Constitution. In fact, that was a quote he used that had been used by Roger Williams. What you are referring to is what the founding fathers' already knew about. The basis of our government is from a Judeo-Christian belief, but you are free to practice any religion, so long as you abide by the rules the government has in place. If you don't believe that it is because you are ignorant of the facts. Simply look it up.

And to Nicole Young, the Old Testament fulfills Jesus' coming. It doesn't nullify anything. I am not forcing my belief on you; I am defending myself against the beliefs that are pushed onto me.

Lindsay Gerish
Sophomore
Spanish

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BOOBFEST



Letters to the Editor

Papers don't want to report 'good news'

Editor:

I would like to respond to the article, "SGA trades insults..." from your [Jan. 29] edition.

While it's true that many representatives disagreed with one another at the general meeting this past Monday [Jan. 26], I believe it's also true that on every other occasion we've met, there has been little time wasted on bickering amongst each other and a great deal of time spent on making some very positive things happen.

The unfortunate thing about news reporting today is that few people want to report the good news. What fun is that? There is no "gossip" or "dirt" in good news. It is just news. However, you give the people some dirt on someone else and you think that papers will move. I've got news for you. Your papers aren't moving! I read the Jambar online only to make sure none of the SGA representatives were misquoted.

As for my statement regarding the proposed "JamBetter,"

and the fact that The Jambar leaves a lot to be desired, I will say again that you do need to improve your reporting. I am not saying that I can do a better job. I'm also not in journalism. I am a reader though. Have been for at least 25 years, and I know the difference between a "good read" and a "bad read."

Lastly, I would like to state this for the record: I don't know you and you don't know me. If you are going to report on the affairs of the Student Government Association, please consider spending some time with us. We have done many wonderful things for the students of YSU and we will continue to do so. We meet every Monday at 4 o'clock and we're always in the SGA office. Look for us.

We'll be the ones making things happen.

Anthony M. Canale
Student Representative
Bitonte College of Health and Human Services

Ask God to tell you the truth, 'if you dare'

Editor:

As of late it has been very interesting to read the commentary on homosexuality and Christianity. As a Christian I apologize if at any time we are judgmental or hateful of homosexuals. Those opposed to the letters by Christians were right in the fact that many times we are hypocritical, preaching love but not showing it. However, one can love and still "speak the truth in love."

I believe homosexuality is wrong, that is a part of my truth. But to those who consider truth an idea that should be kept quiet and personal, wouldn't that destroy the entire essence of truth. How can we call every one's personal opinion truth? There is absolute truth. The belief in truth spawns all rules and regulations, Christian or not. Without absolute truth we are heading toward a dark future. If one looks at history, when morality fails so does peace and tranquility.

Christians believe in the truth of our God and his Word. To

not share this truth openly would nullify its truth. It is truth; that's why we speak it. If one does not express what they think is truth then they must question, or not know if their truth is true. Although many in philosophy and religious studies may argue the relevancy of truth I cannot, for I could no longer call truth, truth.

Also for those who are not Christians who think they know what Christianity is or is like, you could not know unless you try it. Unless one opens up to it, one will never understand. On the same note, we cannot judge the homosexuals because we do not their ways, but we can still call it wrong. As the cliché goes, "Love the sinner, but hate the sin."

I challenge non-Christians, if you dare, to ask God to reveal the truth to you, but only if you dare.

Daniel Angelis
Freshman
Engineering

Diverse Christian views are not respected

Editor:

I've been reading with great interest the discussions going on in The Jambar's editorial page, which basically come down to Christians vs. Everyone Else in regards to the issues regarding homosexuality. I've seen those who espouse Christian viewpoints support their arguments with scripture and their reasoning, and I've seen Everyone Else talk about how backward, repressive, inconsiderate, etc. all the Christians are.

I'm not taking a side in this one, but I have to ask, why is Everyone Else not standing up for the Christians' right to their viewpoint in the name of diversity? After all, when a Muslim was made to remove her headscarf for a driver's license photo, EE argued that she was just exercising her diverse religious values. When people on campus argue for same-sex partner health benefits, EE argue that that's recognizing the diversity of family values. Yet, when a member of the Board voted against those same benefits because of his religious beliefs, EE argued that he should be thrown off the Board for not celebrating diversity.

When this area is ignored by the state and federal governments because the party currently in power knows that they will never receive any support from the electorate of the Valley, EE complain that the rest of the country needs to get with the program and elect more liberal leaders.

So, I ask, why not try to respect the diverse values of these folks? Oh, that's right... diversity is for everybody but Christians and Conservatives. I've actually had friends who badge themselves as "liberal" tell me that. Could someone who's taking part in this discussion please take a few minutes and explain to me, in logical, thought-out and non-insulting or derogatory language, exactly why Conservatives and Christians are not welcome in a diverse world? Why is it that EVERY point of view is acceptable, except for those two? I'm not trying to be sarcastic here... I would really like an honest answer.

Thank you.

Don Rudolph
Alumnus

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Beyonce ties record for females

By MARK STEVENS
The Jambar

With backlash from "boogate" at the Super Bowl still going strong, the 46th annual Grammy Awards were broadcast without Janet Jackson but still provided a decent amount of controversy.

The show, which was broadcast on a five-minute tape delay, featured performances by Justin Timberlake, Beyonce Knowles and Prince. Timberlake was allowed to appear because CBS said that he agreed to apologize. Jackson, whose camp said she was uninvited to the awards show, refused to apologize, said CBS, according to an Associated Press news story.

Other controversies that the show included were 50 Cent's trip to the stage and then out of the building after not winning Best New Artist. Evanescence won the award.

There was also controversy over Luther Vandross' winning four awards — Best Song, Best R&B Album, Best Male R&B Performance and Best R&B Performance by a Duo or Group. Some felt that the attention given to Vandross was the result of his recently having suffered a stroke.

The Grammy's have suffered from lacking interest in recent years, and despite — or in some cases because of — the show's attempt to incorporate more of a hip-hop feel to the show, this year was no exception.

Many students at Youngstown State University expressed that they didn't watch the show. Many said they weren't interested.

Senior Kyle Smith spoke for the majority when he said, "I didn't even know it was on."

Other students found other programming to watch.

"I watched the Pro Bowl instead," senior Barrett Booth said. "I would have watched the Grammy's if the Bowl wasn't on though."

Beyonce, who flashed a bit of panty on stage, providing the closest thing to an encore to Jackson's halftime show, tied a record for female artists by collecting five awards, including Best R&B Song with



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RECORD SETTER: Beyonce Knowles tied a Grammy Award's show record for female artists by collecting five awards.

Jay-Z.

Outkast, as was pretty much expected, won album of the year for their double CD "Speakerboxxx/The Love Below." The duo has dominated the radio of late with their two hits "Hey Ya!" and "The Way You Move Me."

Keeping with the hip-hop theme, Pharrell Williams and Chad Hugo a.k.a. The Neptunes were also honored as producers for their work with artists ranging from Timberlake to Snoop Dogg.

When the rappers gave way on the stage, artists like Metallica, Dave

Matthews, Johnny Cash, The White Stripes, Allison Krause and Warren Zevon all walked away with hardware.

The upset of the night — if only because of the perceived theme of the show — was Coldplay walking away with Record of the Year for "Clocks," beating out four hip-hop competitors.

Gerard Grimm and Tammy Sos contributed to this story.

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utive foul shots by Javier Mendiburu.

YSU cut the deficit to three, but on a missed three-pointer by junior Brian Radakovich, the Penguins fell to their 14th loss of the season, 73-70.

Head coach John Robic admitted that his team played much better than they did at Detroit, but that they just couldn't pull out the win.

"We went into this game with a different mentality. My kids played their hearts out. It's a tough one to lose."

In the first half, senior Adam Baumann's 13 points and impressive eight rebounds gave the Penguins a slight lead, 34-32.

In the second half, the lead would change eight times before a jumper by Detroit's Tyler Koenig with six seconds remaining, sent the game into overtime.

For the game senior, Adam Baumann led the way with 23 points and 12 rebounds and

commended his team on their game play.

"It's a good sign that we are playing as hard as we can every game," Baumann said. "We just can't seem to finish them out."

While the men are having struggles of their own, the women's team is not fairsing much better.

With home losses to Horizon League opponents Cleveland State and Loyola, the women have now lost four straight games after beating IPFW on Jan. 24.

Trailing by 16 points with over four minutes remaining in the game, YSU rallied but fell just short of their third victory of the season when they hosted Cleveland State on Thursday, Feb. 5.

Cleveland State (10-10, 7-2) shot 71 percent from the charity stripe and scored 18 points off 14 Penguin turnovers in winning the game, 56-51.

With 8:44 remaining in the

second half the Penguins found themselves trailing 39-30.

Junior Cathy Hanek scored eight points in less than four minutes and junior Tara Fleming hit a jumper to cut the Penguin deficit to one, 45-44 with 4:03 remaining.

The Vikings would go up by six points late in the game and four free throws sealed the victory for Cleveland State.

Hanek and Fleming led the Penguins with 15 and nine points, respectively.

On Saturday, Feb. 7, the Penguins (2-20, 0-11) then hosted Horizon League foe Loyola at Beeghly Center.

YSU trailed 37-50 with 10:25 remaining in the game before going on a 17-5 run. The Penguin comeback fell one point short when junior Cathy Hanek missed an off-balanced three-pointer with one second left in the game.

The women's team hit an overwhelming 78.9 percent from the foul line, but could

not get it done from the floor, shooting just 34.7 percent, which helped to aid in the 55-54 Penguin loss.

Head Coach Tisha Hill praised her team for their performance on the court, but also confessed that leadership is a big problem that needs improvement.

"We need more leadership on the floor."

"We are going to take this one on the chin hard," Hill said. "This is one we definitely let slip away from us at the end."

Senior Jessica Forsythe and junior Barb Fabianova each had a team-high 10 points for the Penguins with Forsythe also adding four steals and seven rebounds.

The women will travel to Wright State on Thursday while the men host Illinois-Chicago at Beeghly Center with tip-off at 7 p.m.

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ulty members in computer science departments at any of the universities included in the study. One black professor in astronomy is the only female black or American Indian full professor in any of the physical science or engineering departments studied, although there are 10 Hispanic full professors. Even in a social science typically more popular for females, such as psychology, women make up 76.5 percent of the students but only a third of the faculty.

These low numbers suggest it is possible for women in some majors to earn a bachelor's degree without being taught by a female professor in their departments. Cornell University professors Marjolein van der Meulen, associate professor of mechanical and aerospace engineering, and Lois Pollack, assistant professor of applied and engineering physics, acknowledged this possibility. Both of them earned degrees without having female professors in their fields and acknowledged that it could happen at Cornell under certain circumstances.

In the study, Nelson and Rogers report that a cycle exists, making it more difficult for women to progress from an undergraduate education in the sciences to a professorship.

"I think it's a very individual relationship," van der Meulen said. "I think good mentoring is important, period."

Students of all genders and backgrounds could benefit from a more diverse faculty, according to the study. Engineering student Gretchen Piwinski believes that diverse mentorship is important. Her father suggested that she go into engineering, and when she mentioned it to her high school teachers, they were supportive. However, none of her teachers thought to suggest it to her first.

"We definitely don't have the role models that men do," she said. "I think we still have to wait another generation."

"It feels like it's an issue of whether there's a presence or not as opposed to whether it's equal or not," she said.

Chemistry and chemical biology professor Dotsevi Sogah believes that having a faculty that is more representative of the students "will have a positive impact on the whole educational system." He has had minority students who took an introductory course from him express their enthusiasm for having a fellow minority as a professor. However, Sogah does not believe that students without mentors of their gender or race will be discouraged from earning doctorates or becoming professors, if it is a strong enough personal interest.

Sogah added, "It is necessary to have more under-represented minorities in the departments who can serve as role models and advise the students on the point of view of career, including academic positions."

While the study presents many numbers, it does not account for the many reasons why women and minorities do not represent more of the faculty in the sciences. It also does not address an issue that many women face as they consider time-consuming professional careers.

"Faculty positions are usually pretty time-consuming between teaching, research, advising and many other responsibilities — definitely not a 9 to 5 kind of job! It's a huge challenge to think about balancing career with family," Pollack said, on possible reasons why fewer women with doctorates go on to teach. "If you want to have both, it's critical to have a spouse who's willing to be an equal partner."

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experience," he said. The students who win the scholarships will be able to experience astronaut training programs and activities. Some of the activities include simulated Space Shuttle missions, IMAX movies, rocket building and launches, scientific experiments and many other activities.

Ryan said this is a great educational opportunity for the children who win.

He said teachers normally just throw a heavy textbook at the kids and force them to learn. Instead, he said we should first engage the kids with the fun side of learning and this scholarship can help do that.

"These kids are watching movies like Apollo 13 and become so engaged in them that an opportunity like this might encourage the kids to become astronauts or at least work for a program like NASA and keep the legacy going," he said.

Ryan and Strickland are both very grateful to Jackie Lynch for giving their students such a great opportunity.

Strickland said Sept. 11, 2001 is a day etched in everyone's memories and Jackie Lynch has taken such a tragic event and is turning it into something so positive.

"Terry would be very proud of everything we are doing," Lynch said.

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Wan-Tatah said the marketplace is a beehive of activity.

"Not only does the marketplace provide an ideal setting for social interaction and for establishing social bonds, but there is a lot of business activity for buyers and vendors of a wide variety of Africana related artifacts, jewelry, writings, clothing and many other items."

Wan-Tatah said the marketplace also serves as a traditional clearinghouse for information and networking for the merchants and professionals of all backgrounds.

"In short, the marketplace is a compressed version of live African history," he said.

The marketplace also featured the traditional African dances of the

Harambe Dance Group.

Chaney High School sophomore Candis Gregory, a member of the dance group, said this was her first time performing at the marketplace. She said she enjoyed performing and had learned much about her culture.

"It's a lot of excitement, and a great way to learn about Africa," Gregory said. "I learned about our culture and saw a lot of outfits that I never thought people would wear."

Fred Smith, a vendor at the marketplace, was promoting the Civil War reenactment group of the 5th United States Colored Unit. Smith said it was his third year promoting the unit.

"I think the information being brought forth is incredibly important to

Black History month, and making known the total contributions that blacks made," Smith said. "I only wish it was celebrated more than one month a year."

Throughout the month of February, YSU is offering a variety of activities celebrating Black History Month.

Some of the activities include a musical called "Raisin," an adaptation of the classic "Raisin in the Sun." The show is a portrayal of life in the 1950s in Chicago and is playing through Feb. 14 at the Youngstown Playhouse.

The Bi-Okoto Dance Group will be offering a workshop of authentic Nigerian dances, dramas and operas on Feb. 14 from noon to 2 p.m. with a performance at 7 p.m. in the Chestnut

Room. Feb. 17, Nancee Oku Bright will present a documentary called "Liberia: America's Step Child," at 7 p.m. in the Ohio Room.

Feb. 21, there will be a poetry slam competition at 6:30 p.m. in the Ohio Room and alternative soul singer Yewande will perform at 7 p.m. in the Chestnut Room on Feb. 23.

Ron Daniels, executive director of the Center for Constitutional Rights, will focus on "The Case for Reparations: Does America Owe Africans in America?" at 7 p.m. Feb. 27, in McKay Auditorium.

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entire season.

"He needs to develop more, he doesn't have enough game experience", YSU running back Josiah Doby said. "The rule is there so players don't get hurt and he's not ready for the NFL yet."

Many of Clarett's critics question whether he has the physical toughness required in the professional level, and if he will be able to withstand the rigors that he will face in the NFL.

"He is strong, quick, tough, fast and smart, but he had one healthy season in high school out of four," McDaniels recalled.

As a freshman, Clarett ran for 1,237 yards, a school record, despite only playing in eight games, missing significant action due to shoulder and knee injuries.

YSU head football coach John Heacock said that

Clarett's health is a factor, and although he did not rule out the OSU star being an impact player on the professional level, he is concerned that young star players are more concerned with dollar signs than getting an education.

"It's a different sport than any other, its fast and physical, and I don't know if he can hold up in a 16 game season," Heacock said.

Since going to OSU in 2002, Clarett has been the center of attention on and off the field. Clarett missed all of last season when the team suspended him for accepting improper benefits from a family friend and lying to investigators about it.

In the latest controversy surrounding Clarett, he will have his relationship with an admitted gambler examined by the NFL league office as part of their routine pre-draft

background check.

Officials have said that while the situation is being investigated, there is no evidence to suggest that Clarett shaved points.

Cellular phone records from Robert Dellimuti, a Warren caterer, show numerous phone calls to Maurice Clarett on some Saturday mornings prior to Buckeye games, followed by calls to a gambling service.

According to the ESPN.com story, Dellimuti made 27 calls to a Costa Rica-based gambling service, and three of the calls came on days of OSU games.


Dellimuti told ESPN reporters, "If (players) can't talk to anyone who has ever bet, who is going to be left to talk to?" Dellimuti said.

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SPORTS & RECREATION

Heacock hopes recruits address problems

By WILLIAM LEHN
The Jambar

If the 2004 signings for the Youngstown State University football team showed one thing, they indicated that the coaching staff is determined to beef up the team's front lines and make sure that the problems of last year are not repeated.

Injuries to the players in the trenches hampered the Penguins' ability to run the ball and to stop the run.

In a press conference at Beeghly Center on Wednesday, head coach John Heacock announced the YSU Penguin National Signing Day Class of 2004. Four offensive linemen, three defensive linemen, a tight end, a running back, a kicker and a quarterback/defensive back, including two Division I-A transfers and a junior college transfer, all signed letters of intent to join the YSU football team.

Six of the players hail within a 100-mile radius of campus. Four are from the Mahoning Valley including offensive tackle Justin Decker from Struthers, place kicker Brian Palmer from Mineral Ridge and two players from Howland High School, defensive lineman Brad Samsa and tight end Chris Kenney.



GLIATTA

Rounding out the Ohio-bred players are offensive lineman Tyler Booth from New Philadelphia and two-way player Vince Gliatta from Canton Central Catholic, who transferred from Penn State.

Another transfer, tailback Monquantae "Mo" Gibson, a Louisville, Kentucky native played for the University of Kentucky.

Out-of-state recruits include two players from Florida, defensive end Jose Galloza from Hollywood and offensive guard Josh Tanner from Orlando. Also signed were defensive tackle Ben Suran from Mequon, Wisconsin, and offensive guard Ricky Valenzuela, a native of Los Angeles, who is transferring from Glendale Community College.



VALENZUELA

Heacock said he was concerned about the depth of the Penguins in 2003 and that led to the way they went about recruiting.

"We signed a lot of trench guys this year," he said. "Our biggest departures in future are on both lines; add that to the injuries we sustained last year, I think we took care of our needs."

Valenzuela is the son of 1981 National League Cy Young Award winner Fernando Valenzuela. In a phone interview Friday, Valenzuela said YSU was the right place for him to go.

"I like the [YSU] program and the coach's philosophy," Valenzuela said.

Heacock said normally a player of Valenzuela's size would not be available, but because he is a junior college transfer, "big schools won't take a shot at him because he won't be available until June."

When he was on campus making his visit, Valenzuela spoke with offensive line coach John Klacik.

"I drew a few plays and my favorite was the same one YSU uses. So I'll fit in right away because I know the plays," Valenzuela said.

John Cicuto, Valenzuela's head coach at Glendale Community College, said that Valenzuela is not even close to reaching his

potential. Cicuto emphasized that Valenzuela "has great feet, and that's important for an offensive line."

Gliatta joins an already crowded spot under center for the Penguins. He joins three players who saw significant field time at the quarterback spot last year in the starter at the beginning of the season: Aaron Marshall, Matt Rycraft and Tom Zetts, whose season ended prematurely with an injury.

Gliatta has four years of eligibility left and is the second cousin of former YSU quarterback Nick Cochran. He left Penn State because he wanted to see playing time on the offensive side of the ball. Heacock said Gliatta would help them no matter what side of the ball he will play on.

Gibson transferred for 2,700 yards as a senior at Moore High in Louisville, including a Kentucky state record 574 yards in one game against Shawnee H.S. As a red-shirt freshman last year, he carried the ball just six times for 12 yards.

"We are blessed that we got Mo Gibson to transfer to YSU; he's a running back and he wants to carry the ball," Heacock said of the tailback who has three years of eligibility remaining. "Kentucky is not a big running team but he will have the opportunity to earn a job here."

Heacock said he doesn't expect them to all contribute immediately, but he was excited about the class, and that "these guys are our future at critical positions."

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WILDCAT TURNED PENGUIN: Former Kentucky Wildcat tailback Monquantae "Mo" Gibson is among 11 Penguin signees.

2004 Youngstown State Football Signees

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	High School (Previous School)
Tyler Booth	OL	6-6	285	New Philadelphia, Ohio	Tuscarawas Valley
Justin Decker	OT	6-4	285	Struthers, Ohio	Struthers High School
Jose Galloza	DE	6-2	245	Hollywood, Florida	Hollywood Christian
Vince Gliatta*	QB	6-1	205	Canton, Ohio	Central Catholic H.S. (Penn State)
Monquantae Gibson*	TB	6-1	195	Louisville, Kentucky	Moore H.S. (Kentucky)
Chris Kenney	TE	6-3	250	Warren, Ohio	Howland High School
Brian Palmer	PK	5-11	170	Mineral Ridge, Ohio	Mineral Ridge High
Brad Samsa	DL	6-3	260	Warren, Ohio	Howland High School
Ben Suran	DT	6-2	276	Mequon, Wisconsin	Homestead High High
Josh Tanner	OG	6-2	290	Orlando, Florida	Edgewater High
#Ricky Valenzuela	OL	6-3	320	Los Angeles, California	St. Francis H.S. (Glendale Community)

*Will begin 2004 season as a sophomore; *currently enrolled at YSU; #will begin 2004 season as a junior

Courtesy of the YSU Athletic Department

Penguin struggles continue



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DRIVE: Freshman guard Kristy Gaudiose keeps the ball away from a Loyola defender during the women's contest at Beeghly Center Saturday. Loyola won the game, 55-54.

By JOSHUA BOGGS
The Jambar

After winning three straight games against Cleveland State, Loyola-Chicago and IPFW, the Youngstown State University men's basketball team unraveled this past week, dropping games to Detroit and UW-Green Bay.

On Thursday, Feb. 5, YSU traveled to Calihan Hall to face the Detroit Titans in their tenth Horizon League match-up of the season.

Only shooting 31.3 percent from the field, the Penguins

could not match Detroit's Jimmy Ivyman, who scored a career-high 24 points in the game.

Of those 24 points, 19 came in the first half with the Penguins trailing 36-25 heading into the locker rooms.

In the second half, the Penguins could not pull it together and shot a staggering 25 percent (6-for-24) from the floor.

Junior Khari McQueen led the Penguins with a team-high 11 points, nine of which came in the first half.

The Penguins (7-14, 3-9) then returned home on

Saturday, Feb. 7 to face the UW-Green Bay Phoenix (14-7, 8-3). The match-up began a three-game home stand for YSU against three of the top four teams in the Horizon League.

In a game where the Penguins led by as much as nine points with 4:13 remaining in regulation, the Phoenix would go on a feverish 12-4 run to tie the game and send it to overtime.

In overtime, the Phoenix went ahead by seven points with 1:27 remaining on consec-

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Miscellaneous ramblings

Fat Head Says

By MARK STEVENS
The Jambar



Morally Unimportant Question of the Week: If two major sports leagues have their "all-star" games on the same day and no one hears about it, do they make a sound?

That's right. The NFL and NHL both had "all-star" games on Sunday.

I'm assuming you don't care. Why? No one cares.

Is it just me or are "all-star" type festivities fading fast? The NBA's used to be great, then they screwed up the slam-dunk contest and threw in some "celebrity" things and now it's blah.

The only Grammy's I want is some Teddy Grammys: Fat Head despises award shows. Usually it's just a showcase for people you don't like in the first place to have their egos fed by the adoring, leashed masses.

Seriously, any group of people that throws 1.7 tons of hardware into Beyonce's lap in one night is not a group of people that I find to be of the "evolved." The true winners never win anyways.

Sean Paul won Best Reggae Album. OK, you're telling me that's not because he went mainstream? I have sincere doubts that his album would even be considered reggae if he wasn't from the

Caribbean. How come Shaggy wasn't up for this award?

And if it's OK to give out awards for someone who goes mainstream and sells the most copies, why didn't 50 Cent win best new artist? Trust me, the album sales weren't even close between him and his competitors.

Bill Clinton, Sophia Loren and Mikhail Gorbachev collaborated on the Grammy-winning "Prokofiev: Peter and the Wolf/Beintus: Wolf Tracks."

I wonder how long it was into the taping that Clinton leaned over to Loren and said, "You know, I saw you in 'Grumpier Old Men,' and let me say, you are aging beautifully. Wanna get naked and roll around in some Alfredo sauce?"

Somehow Metallica won Best Metal Album with their worst album ever, "St. Anger," yet their best album ever, "And Justice For All," lost to Jethro Tull back in the day. Seems like a makeup award.

The truth is, none of the mainstream awards are for the "best" anything. It's all politics. And people still care.

I love this place: Several NFL fans have signed a class-action lawsuit against the NFL for "injuries" resulting from the halftime show.

Can I sign this please? I mean honestly, I haven't been able to stop thinking about that thing on Janet's nipple.

I just want to be a part of this.

Ok, so I've been avoiding this: Maurice Claret, welcome to the NFL.

And I find myself torn as to how I feel about this whole

court decision. Earlier this year I wrote that the NFL needed to keep this situation from turning out this way. I used the demise of the NBA as my foundation.

But do high school kids really want to play in the NFL? I remember playing high school football, and I don't remember many of my teammates or opponents being so full of themselves that they thought they were ready to bang heads in the NFL.

Maybe some tailbacks and receivers would benefit from this, though. The average career for running backs in the NFL is like four years or thereabouts. The pounding is too much for many of them.

So maybe the really talented ones will benefit. Mostly though, quarterbacks and linemen will want to grow and develop in college before even considering the NFL. Most scouts look at quarterbacks' ability to handle complex schemes and reading defenses. High school QB's just wouldn't be ready.

And linemen will look forward to filling out their still-growing bodies. Most linemen gain significant size and strength in college, as well as developing sound techniques.

Maybe this isn't a box of Pandora's variety. Hopefully.

Of course, if we've learned anything from LeBron James' success this year, there is no rule without exception.

High school kids jumping to the NBA were expected to sit for two or three years and learn before contributing. Kevin Garnett, Kobe Bryant

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