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Wal-Mart exec visits today

Tuesday, April 26, David Ferguson, retired president/chief executive of Wal-Mart Europe, will visit YSU today at 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. as part of Williamson Symposium Speaker Series at Butler Institute of American Art on Wick Avenue in Youngstown.

Junior wins scholarship

Lori MacDonald of Harmony, Pa., a junior biology major at Youngstown State University, has won a prestigious Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship for the 2005-06 academic year. The award, given to 320 college sophomores and juniors nationwide, covers the cost of tuition, fees, books, room and board up to a maximum of \$7,500 a year. McDonald, a graduate of Seneca Valley Senior High School and a University Scholar at YSU, is one of 21 Pennsylvania residents to win the award. After graduating from YSU, she plans to pursue a doctorate in microbiology, conduct research and teach at a small college.

disAbility Awareness workshops

Jane Jarrow, president of Disability Access Information and Support, conducts workshops at YSU as part of "disAbility Awareness Month" in the Ohio Room of Kilcawley Center on Thursday at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

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Last question: Did you take John Turk's rock 'n' roll history class? 29% Yes, 71% No

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RIAA files new lawsuits

YSU not in the clear of copyright infringement lawsuits from Recording Industry

By Christina Poe
The Jambar

Though the concern is not fresh, the Recording Industry Association of America filed new copyright infringement lawsuits against individual college students last week.

According to the RIAA, these 405 students from 18 different universities have illegally downloaded and shared music files using the Internet2 system.

Under United States copyright law, direct copyright infringement carries a minimum of \$750 per work.

Internet2 was adopted by about 200 colleges as a way to expand the power for research and education.

Many college students have found it also allows users to download media quicker than the current Internet — songs can be taken from a Web site to an individual's computer in a matter of 20 seconds.

Youngstown State University uses the Internet2 system, but none of its students have been targeted by the RIAA in the nationwide lawsuit.

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Copyright lawsuits

The Recording Industry Association of America is cracking down on illegal downloading of music files, and has its eye on schools using the Internet2 web system — including YSU. (KRT Campus)

YOUNGSTOWN

Wick Pollock Inn closer to opening

Sweet says no tuition money would be spent on development study for Inn

By Leonard Crist
The Jambar

The Wick Pollock Inn may soon be one step closer to reopening.

Youngstown State University is expected to sign an agreement with Cleveland developer Paran Management that would commission a pre-development study for the inn, John Habat, YSU's vice president for administration, reported Wednesday to the YSU Board of Trustees' Finance and Facilities committee.

The study would conduct a market analysis and determine the historic designation implications of the inn, which closed in 1998, Habat said. The study would also develop design concepts, a capital plan, a fundraising plan and a business operations plan.

The cost to conduct the

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HABAT

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Davidson wins Phi Kappa Phi award

Former cheerleader, mechanical engineer earns honor

By Maysoun Abdelrasul
The Jambar

Jennifer Davidson has been known as many things through her career at Youngstown State University: a cheerleader, a dancer and mechanical engineer.

Now, she is also being recognized for winning the national Phi Kappa Phi Award of Excellence for her commitment to education and research.



DAVIDSON

The Poland Seminary High School graduate said she wanted to get involved in the Phi Kappa Phi honors soci-

ety because she thought it would be the best way to become involved in other programs and possibilities at YSU. She also identified with the society's mission: "to recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community scholars in service to others."

Davidson said during college, she has experienced life in many ways.

While a freshman, she was

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Spring drills

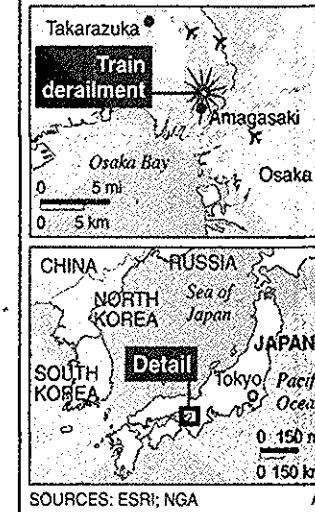
Football practice intensifies as spring training leads up to Friday's Red and White Spring Game. Monquante Gibson (center) bursts through blockers Tony Norman (left) and Brandon Nicholson. Senior players will choose sides for the game at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday at the Spring Game Draft/Bob Dove Luncheon in Stambaugh Stadium. (Jambar photo by Chuck Rogers)

AMAGASAKI, Japan

Train derails on curve, kills 67, injures 442

Train derails in western Japan

A commuter train carrying 580 passengers derailed in western Japan Monday, killing at least 67 people and injuring 442



By Mari Yamaguchi
Associated Press

AMAGASAKI, Japan — Investigators focused on excessive speed and a 23-year-old train driver's lack of experience after a crowded commuter train jumped the rails on a curve Monday and plowed into an apartment building, causing Japan's deadliest rail accident in four decades.

Rescuers worked through the night trying to free survivors from twisted rail carriages left when the train hit the nine-story building's parking garage, killing at least 67 people and injuring 442.

It was not clear if any bystanders or apartment residents were among the victims, but the number of dead increased overnight by 10 — from 57 to 67 — when more bodies were found early Tuesday.

Rescuers working under floodlights pulled out a conscious but seriously injured 46-year-old woman and took her to a hospital, and worked to dig out another man, police said.

Two men were trapped in the same car. They were conscious and receiving emergency medical care but rescuers were hampered by worries about leaked fuel, said Shohei Matsuda, an Amagasaki fire department official. Others also were caught in the wreckage and feared dead.

Distraught people rushed to hospitals looking for relatives who might have been injured or killed.

Takamichi Hayashi said his elder brother, 19-year-old Hiroki, might be among those still in the wreck. He said Hiroki had called his mother twice on a mobile phone from inside one of the train cars hours after the crash but remained unaccounted for.

"He told my mother: 'I'm in pain. I'm not going to make it,'" Hayashi said.

Jammed with 580 passengers, the seven-car train derailed at 9:18 a.m. on a curve near Amagasaki, about 250 miles west of Tokyo, then plowed through an automobile

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a YSU cheerleader, something she said was difficult to manage while also studying mechanical engineering, not only was time a factor, but so were stereotypes about cheerleaders and the preconceived notion that only men are mechanical engineers.

However, she said she was inspired by and will never forget a line that she read in a magazine article: "I am living proof that a cheerleader can be an engineer."

Davidson continued on in her career as an engineer, and holds fast to staying involved at the university.

"I find when I am busy it helps me keep on top of everything," she said.

She also spent 10 weeks at the University of Minnesota as part of a research experience sponsored by the National Science Foundation. She and other students from universities nationwide worked together on

a research project on developing an artificially engineered equivalent for the cornea.

The trip was not all work though. She had the chance to meet new people and experience life.

"We did everything in the city from camping to beach volleyball," Davidson said. "I loved Minneapolis."

After graduating, she plans on continuing her education at The Ohio State University and

will pursue a career in the biomedical field or tissue engineering. However, after all of those experiences, she said living in Cafaro House and being away from home has had the biggest impact on her life.

"Living on my own has helped me grow the most and become the person I am," Davidson said.


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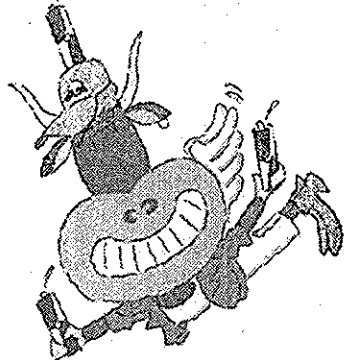
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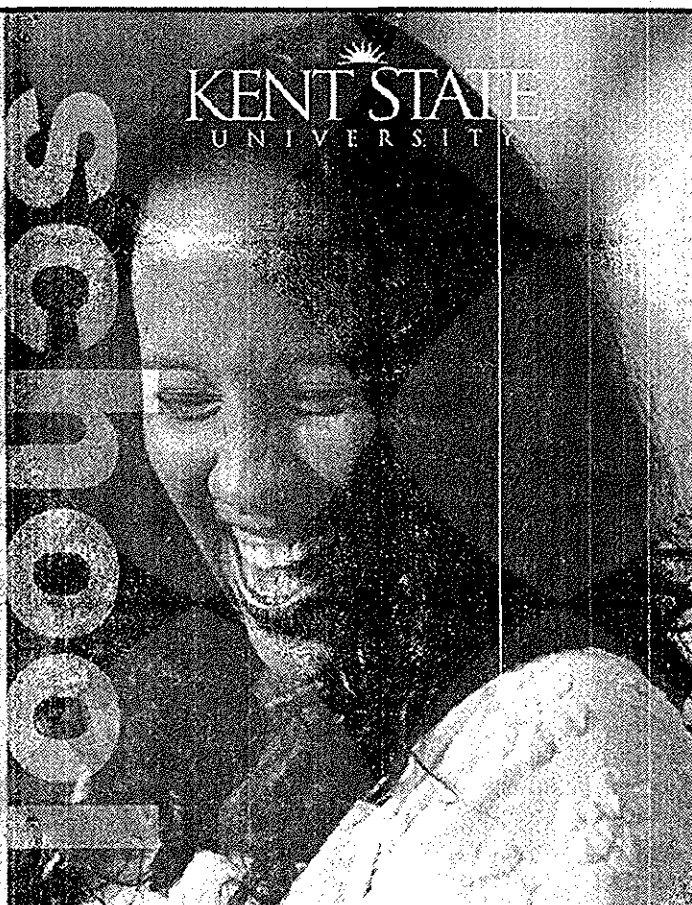
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OUR SIDE

Officials need to prepare for worst

At the beginning of this semester, the campus was wrapped up in yet another struggle for higher education funding. As we returned from winter break, we braced ourselves for the inevitable: the eighth consecutive tuition hike in as many years.

Ohio Gov. Bob Taft sent a letter to all presidents of Ohio state universities and colleges just months earlier, warning them of the possible danger of imposing yet another tuition hike. In turn, we also warned the trustees and administrators of the possible problems and dangers of raising tuition after receiving such a letter.

Despite, those words, or perhaps in spite of them, the Youngstown State University Board of Trustees, with the exception of two members, approved a 9 percent tuition hike for the upcoming academic year, just barely sliding in under the 9.9 percent tuition cap that was set by the state a few years ago.

Now there is news that the newly proposed state budget is cutting the caps placed on tuition by 3 percent. The new caps only allow for tuition raises, but not for special allowances such as technology and financial aid.

Though sophomoric and juvenile at best, it almost seems as if an "I told you so" is in order.

Admittedly, the letter from the governor was cryptic. No one knew whether ignoring it or abiding by it would bring good fortune to the university. Officials still took that chance. The new caps, if approved in the final state budget package in June, will leave a \$2.1 million gap in YSU's 2006 budget alone.

Where is YSU to come up with the money for the huge gap?

Officials said at the meeting that there are investments that should bring in approximately \$300,000 to the university. Also, the new state budget, if it stays at the status quo, should give the university \$750,000 to \$800,000 more than Taft's original budget.

This is all well and good, but that still leaves an approximately \$1 million gap. Vice President for Administration John Habat said at the meeting that other programs could bring in the additional revenue.

Are we willing to rely on the "coulds" and not the absolutes?

The financial ground the university is sitting on is becoming shakier as time goes on. While YSU is hardly to blame for the state's apparent lack of interest in higher education, it's hardly a new trend. YSU officials need to start preparing for the worst and stop hoping for the best.

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STAR TRIBUNE
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Leonard Crist...



declares total thermo-nuclear war...

I was sitting in the Jambar office one day a couple of weeks ago when Beth, my editor, started laughing.

She was checking out the Facebook, a wacky new Web site that is just like My Space or Live Journal, only less functional, but with way more personal info about people you might bump into on campus.

"Lenny, you have a fan club on Facebook," she said.

I hopped online, signed up and did a search for my name.

And sure enough, there it was - The Lenny Crist Fan Club - a sarcastically created Facebook

This week: On Leonard Crist

group dedicated to me, ultra-sarcastic writer.

"Have you ever laid awake at night afraid that Lenny (st would declare total thermo-nuclear war on you?" the group description queried. "Join his fan club maybe he'll show you mercy."

Jenimah Robbs, thead of Youngstown State

University's College

Republicans, started the group in friendly jest.

Little would she know the full impact it would have on me.

I wondered. Did pees really live in fear that I might staphorically drop a nuclear wean on them? Was I universally sliiked by all but the most radicelleft wing activists? I hoped r.

Because of my liberrantings in this column, a certainment of the population (the seent that

olive branch toward my more conservative peers, I started adding people to my Facebook friend's list who I might not normally talk to.

People who actually think George Bush is a good president.

George Brown, whose Facebook profile has a picture of him shaking hands with George W. Bush, seemed a logical extension

of my new politically open-minded friend-making mission.

I requested to add him as a friend. He declined and sent me a message that read:

"I am not friends with hippie trash. No liberals allowed."

That Mr. Brown would think of me as a hippie hurt my feelings. I may often sport shaggy hair and a beard, but I always wear deodorant, I loathe Phish and I wouldn't be caught dead playing hacky sack.

I am a sensitive human being with a fragile ego. If you cut me, do I not bleed? If you call me a "know-nothing snaildart," as one reader recently did in a letter to the editor, do I not cry?

So this week, I'm declaring total thermo-nuclear war on myself. If everybody hates me, I may as well jump on the bandwagon. After all, 50 million Elvis fans can't be wrong.

Call Leonard Crist at (330) 941-1989

"I my often sport shaggy hair and a beard, but I always wear deodorant, I loathe Phish, and I wouldn't be caught dead playing hacky sack."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Opinion pieces lack facts

I suppose you could forgive the ignorance of Bob Mackey, but it seems to be an epidemic at the Jambar to print the opinions of local simps. As May states, he "excommunicated himself from the church", giving him no authority comment on church procedure. If he were not a man blinded by ignorance, he'd realize that service in the Hitler Youth was compulsory for all young men in Germ. The Holy Father had no choice in this decision; he later deserted the German army to rejoin the seminary. If the Anti-Defamation League finds no problem in the Fe's past, why does Mackey make it sound like he was goose-stepping around flin? I'm sorry that a "man" who resorts to making fun on the physical appearance of a holy person, is one of the voices of our school paper. His piece, like most "Ed articles in the Jambar, was based on feelings and not fact. He should also understand that the church would never change its stance on gay marriage, abort, or any other "liberal" issue, no matter who is Pope. If he'd like to see such things happen in a church, I'm sure the Episcopalians would love to have him.

Michael V. Jones
Geography

'Bias' showing in letter

This letter is in response to the author of "If there was a god, there wouldn't be a Republican Party." Though I cannot personally speak for God, my response is needed to this editorial regardless.

Let me first say that I am not Catholic, but I can see the importance of the former Pope, John Paul II. It is hard to deny the fact that this man was one of the single greatest influences in world religion, but seeing as how past wars have covered this extensively, I am not going to go into this further.

Alex Mangie

Of the points regarding pedophilia in the church, this cannot be debated. This type of behavior is heard of in all sects of Christianity, and hence cannot be argued. We of the Christian faith know, like with other religions, that there are sickos and perverts running around in the Church. I am not proud of how John Paul handled this issue (with Bernard Law particularly). After doing a little checking into Vatican Law, there was no reason why he shouldn't have been removed from the College of Cardinals. Pedophilia aside, I still think John Paul did a decent job as Pope. At least the Catholic Church hasn't resorted to cutting off heads or gunning people down for not being of the same faith (like some Islamic sects have done). This does not excuse the "pedophiliacs" in the Church, but since this author has made it a point to criticize religion, a comparison shows that the Christians are not the only "bad guys" out there (as many have tried to make us out to be).

Regarding Nelson Mandela, this comment is completely out of line. For the information of those reading, Nelson Mandela was put in jail 16 years prior to John Paul's inauguration. Where was John Paul in 1962? I'm not exactly certain, but I can safely tell you that the name John Paul II was not yet coined at that time. A fascist South Africa, long before John Paul II, enacted the Apartheid Laws in 1948. Seeing as how states are sovereign, are you naive enough to believe that John Paul, even if in 1948, could have forced South Africa into repealing the Apartheid Laws? The Pope can speak out all he wants, but there is no guarantee a country such as South Africa would listen.

As far as the "If there was a god, there wouldn't be a Republican Party" comment, I won't even dignify that with a response. That is so far off the wall, I'm at a loss for words. When you thought you heard everything, someone comes up with a remark like that. Though I sit here laughing as I look at this statement, I can't help but wonder how this comment popped up in an article about the Pope. I think someone's bias is showing.

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However, YSU students are not in the clear — the RIAA has let the university know they are aware of illegal activity on campus.

Mark Welton, YSU Network Security Analyst, said the university has been utilizing Internet2 for a little more than two years.

Welton said YSU's last notification from the RIAA arrived in September 2004.

Welton said PacketShaper, a box designed to detect and eliminate "peer to peer" applications from any system, has kept the amount of illegal activity in the residence halls — as well as RIAA complaints — to a minimum.

When YSU does receive a complaint from the RIAA or any other licensing company concerning illegal activity in a residence hall, the internet port of that particular room is turned off, Welton said.

Welton said Network Services then contact Housing Services, who then notify the individual or individuals about the complaint.

Welton said because the RIAA is targeting individuals with a higher volume of downloads, it is unlikely that YSU will come under fire for copyright infringement.

"Because of the small amount they're able to see due to what Packeteer does, I doubt we'll see a lawsuit against a student here," Welton said.

Although he does not foresee it, Welton admitted that there is always the possibility that any student at any university could be sued by the RIAA in the future.

Welton added YSU will always receive letters from the RIAA because of the gap that exists between the time that a new file sharing application is created and PacketShaper is updated to detect it.

Amanda Hunter, Deputy Director of Communications of the RIAA, said there is no estimate on the percentage of file sharing that occurs on college campuses.

However, Hunter said in some cases more than 75 percent of a university's Internet traffic is students engaging in this illegal activity.

Hunter said because there are so many factors, the

RIAA has not attempted to calculate the actual monetary losses.

"We've seen estimates from third parties ranging from \$700 million to several billion per year in the US alone," Hunter said.

Hunter said people should not hold on to the misconception that all artists are "uniformly rich" — and the only ones losing money and opportunity.

Hunter said results the RIAA has seen from file sharing also include thousands of lay-offs and music store closings, artists being dropped from their labels and songwriters not getting half of the royalties they used to.

RIAA President Cary Sherman, in an i2hub Announcement Conference Call April 12, said the combined amount downloaded by those being sued contains 930,000 songs.

Sherman said this is equal to more than 70,000 compact discs and added that no musician, songwriter or record company received any money.

Sherman added that the RIAA would not end with these litigations and said the association already has evidence of illegal file sharing at 140 other institutions.

"With this action, we are putting students and users everywhere on notice that there are consequences to illegal uses if this special network," Sherman said.

Harry Meyer, Lyden House housing coordinator, said he has not been aware of any serious trouble concerning file sharing within the residence halls for about two years.

Meyer said this fact does not indicate that illegal peer to peer activity is not going on around the YSU campus.

He said when an on-campus resident is file sharing, Network Services can narrow down their identity using each room's individual port numbers.

However, Meyer said Network Services can only identify times, not identities, when illegal Internet activity occurs at any of the computer labs across campus.

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YSU

Former U.N. Ambassador speaks in Kilcawley

By Bill Rodgers
The mbar

Former U.N. Ambassador, civil rights leader, and presidential medal of freedom winner Andrew J. Young gave a lecture in YSU's Chestnut Roa Wednesday. The lecture is part of the Paul J. Andarguerite K. Thomas Colloquium On Free Enterprise.

Young learned about his life, experiences with free enterprise and capitalism. He talked about his neighborhood while growing up his role as a negotiator, his experiences as the mayor of Atlanta and anecdotes about free enterprise.

"When people reach out with their own ideas, they create a market," Young said before mentioning entrepreneurs like Madam C.J. Walker and the Coca-Cola company. "No economist today would recommend that you give money to a middle-aged black woman to make her grease or

talents as a negotiator from an early age.

Young also talked about Rwanda's involvement and economic success with the coffee industry as an example of good capitalism at work.

"If it's possible to generate wealth in Rwanda, that shows that it simply takes brain power, sensitivity and an entrepreneurial spirit to be successful," Young said.

Young also talked about his own involvement with free enterprise during his terms as the mayor of Atlanta. He was on the board that helped bring the summer Olympic games to Atlanta in 1996.

Young also talked about a plan he had to run the city of Atlanta from money generated by selling the airport to private investors. He said the plan didn't work due to lack of support.

Young was born in 1932. He grew up in New Orleans, and attended a segregated black school. He said he honed his

talents as a negotiator from an early age.

"I was a good negotiator. Getting to school in the morning meant that I either had to be a smooth talker or a fast runner," Young said.

As a minister and leader of the civil rights movement in America, Young urged African Americans to register to vote in Alabama, despite threats of violence. Young helped draft the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. He worked with Martin Luther King during the civil rights movement and was with King in Memphis in 1968 when King was shot.

Young served three terms as a congressman for Georgia.

In 1976, President Jimmy Carter appointed Young as the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations. In 1979, Young was forced to resign his office when he met with a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization, which went against the policies of the

Carter administration.

Young served as mayor of Atlanta in 1981 and re-elected in 1985. In 1981, Young was awarded the presidential Medal of Freedom by Carter.

Today, Young is a public affairs professor at Georgia State University. He is also the co-chair of Good Works International, a consulting firm in Atlanta that specializes in business and leadership strategies in a global economy.

YSU President David Sweet said he found Young's lecture "fascinating."

"His lecture was essentially his life story, but he was effective in weaving in how his life tied into free enterprise," Sweet said.

Sweet said he thought that Young's lecture was informative and timely. He said he felt that the audience and students in attendance were able to learn a lesson from Young.

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studies will like approach, but not exceed \$100,000, Habat said.

No tuition may be spent on the study, YSU President David Sweet said.

"We have non-general fund pool, fun that have been sequestered for this purpose," Sweet said.

Because negotiations are ongoing, more details were unavailable, however, Habat said he met with Paran for "two very long meetings" as well as holding many telephone conversations with the company. Once negotiations are complete, three development phases should take 90 to 120 days to complete, Habat said.

Smoky Hollow revitalization

Habat also scussed the status of the Sky Hollow revitalization plan.

The university will focus its land acquisition efforts to facilitate the Wick District/Smoky Hollow plan unveiled late last month by Wick Neighbor, Inc., Habat said.

The university has divided Smoky Hollow into three pri-

ority areas. In the highest priority section, which will be the site of a new park called Harrison Commons, there are only nine properties that are not university controlled, Habat said.

Jerome Williams, a private speculator, owns one of the parcels of land in that section.

Sweet said of Williams, "If we cannot come to some kind of agreement, I will come to the board and recommend that we proceed with eminent domain," the government right to acquire publicly needed private property without the owner's consent.

In the second section, there are 40 remaining parcels not held by the university, however eight are owned by city land bank and eight more are being appraised, Habat said. This area is of moderate priority to the university, Habat said.

In the third section, there are 60 parcels remaining, 20 of which are either in the city land bank or in various stages of acquisition by YSU, Habat said. The university will take advantage of opportunities as they present themselves in this

section, Habat said.

Also at the meeting:

The Finance and Facilities committee entered executive session to discuss the recently closed First Christian Church. Executive session is not open to the public, however, before the meeting, Habat said the university probably wasn't buying the property.

Habat briefed the trustees on the status of the state budget, as passed by the State House of Representatives earlier this month. The new budget, which caps tuition increases at 6 percent, means YSU has \$2 million less to work with than previously estimated, Habat said. He doesn't foresee the State Senate changing the higher education budget much, he said. The final budget will likely be very similar to what the House passed, he said. "While it's not encouraging, I am not so discouraged that I think we need to start having a garage sale to raise extra money," Habat said.

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and slammed into the wall of the building's parking garage. Two of the five derailed train cars were flattened and one was bent around a corner of the building.

Officials said no cause had been ruled out but added that investigators suspected speed and the driver's less than a year on the job.

The driver — identified as Ryujiro Takami, 23 — was unaccounted for.

He got his train operator's license last May. A month later, he overshot a station and was issued a warning, railway officials and police said. Passengers said he also stopped too far past a station platform Monday just before the crash.

Tsunemi Murakami, safety director for train operator West Japan Railway Co., said it had not been determined how fast the train was traveling.

A surviving crew member told police he "felt the train was going faster than usual," public broadcaster NHK said.

That echoed comments from passengers who speculated the driver might have been speeding to make up for time lost when he overshot the previous station by 25 feet and had to back up. The train was nearly two minutes behind schedule, media reports said.

The crash occurred on a curve with a speed limit of 43 mph. Murakami estimated the train would have had to be traveling at 82 mph to have jumped the track purely because of excessive speed.

Some stretches of track in Japan have safety systems designed to stop trains at any sign of trouble without requiring drivers to take emergency action. But transport ministry officials said the automatic braking system along the stretch of track where the train crashed is among the oldest in Japan and can't halt trains traveling at high speeds.

Outside experts predicted investigators would find a combination of factors to blame.

"There are very few train accidents in Japan in which a train has flipped just because it was going too fast. There might have been several conditions at work — speed, winds, poor train maintenance or aging rails," Kazuhiko Nagase, a train expert who is a professor at the Kanazawa Institute of Technology, told NHK.

"For the train to flip, it had to be traveling at an extremely high speed," Nagase said.

Murakami said investigators also found evidence of rocks on the tracks, but hadn't determined whether that contributed to the crash. Transport Minister Kazuo Kitagawa told reporters he would order all of Japan's railway operators to conduct safety inspections in the coming days.

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attribute Cleveland coach Romeo Crennel will be looking for more of as he switches the Browns' base defense to a 3-4.

Virginia nose tackle Andrew Hoffman was taken with the pick the Browns got from the Buccaneers for McCown. Jonathan Dunn, a 6-foot-7, 328-pound offensive tackle was taken in the seventh round.

Savage has completed two stages of his rebuilding project with the Browns. Through free agency and the draft, he has plugged some holes. It's an unfinished product, but Savage is confident Cleveland will be better next season.

"We're going to do our best to be competitive," he said.

"We'll play hard, work hard and do what the coaches say. As a team, we want to make people beat us. We don't want to give anything away."

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in her ninth season leading the Penguins, said she was excited about the squad's performance in the league championships and believes that the momentum will carry over.

"I am really excited," Grim said.

"This performance will definitely help, we have already started talking about next year; it was definitely something that made us look forward to playing again next year."

The Penguins defeated Butler by a score of 4-2 to advance to the championship round and finished the season with a record of 14-10 overall. The 14 wins are the most by a Penguins' team since the 1998-99 season when they finished with 16 wins.

While the Penguins lost in the final match, Grim said she had never seen her team as focused as they were on Sunday.

"Everyone played well, I have never seen my team so prepared as they were Sunday," Grim said.

This year's squad only boasted two seniors in Najbert and Heather Hagood, which left Grim feeling optimistic about their chances next year to finally dethrone UIC as the leaders of the Horizon League.

"I think we can get back here," Grim said.

"I have two new recruits coming in and a possible third, and with the girls coming back, I think can do this again and again."

In singles action, Whitney Thomas fell 6-2, 6-1.

At the number three spot, Hagood lost by a score of 6-2, 6-1. Gina Peretti dropped the number four spot by a tally of 6-3, 6-1.

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to it, it's mostly about the availability of opportunities.

"I chose to go here because in Canada they do not give athletic scholarships," Patteson said. "I wanted to get my education while still playing softball."

YSU sophomore softball player Karlie Burnell said she relocated to the U.S. because she was able to receive money for schooling and continue her academic career in exercise science.

"There are only two people in my high school that have attended college in the states on an athletic scholarship," Burnell adds. "There are little opportunities because we don't have good high school athletic programs along with travel programs."

Although it may seem like the athletes are abandoning their native country, Patteson says she believes many of her fellow Canadians view these athletes as role models since many of them would like to play athletics in the U.S. as well.

Burnell has also noticed how girls look up to her, too; however, she said her family has noticed a slight change in her and gives her a hard time for becoming Americanized.

"Since I am staying in the U.S. for work, I do get some

slack that I am becoming an American. My family and friends also believe that I am beginning to act like one, too."

Even though these athletes spend most of their academic year living away from home, many try to visit their family a few times a year. Some even have parents who are able to make it to most of their athletic events.

"I live about four and a half hours away and only go home three times a school year," commented Patteson. "I am fortunate that my family members are almost always at our weekend games but they can't make the games during the week."

Burnell also lives four and a half hours away and feels blessed that her parents can see most of her games.

"My parents love the game and love watching me if I'm playing or not."

Even though their parents are at most of their games, there is one thing that is still missing at every athletic event — the Canadian national anthem. "It's not that big of a deal that our anthem isn't played at our games," Patteson states. "Everyone knows where I'm from and I know where I am from. It would be nice though if it was played but I don't think I should get spe-

cial treatment just because I'm from another country."

Burnell remembers one time when her national anthem was played during at YSU softball game at Niagara University.

"It was a very proud moment for me and the other Canadian on my team," Burnell said. "I do get chills from the American anthem because it's so great but I do wish that they would play the Canadian anthem since there are now three on the team."

These young Canadians say they are proud of their country, but becoming an American citizen is a goal for them.

"I plan to become an American citizen because there are more job opportunities in the U.S. for me," says Patteson. Burnell said she feels the same way and has intentions of staying in the U.S. for the rest of her life.

On the other hand, Berry is not sure about her plans after college. "After I get my degree, I think I'm going to go back to Canada. I want to go back because of the health care but I'm not definite about what I'm going to do."

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reached for every joke he had stored in his mental arsenal but to no avail. Berman's best attempt at humor the entire day stemmed from dubbing "Pac-man" Jones from West Virginia "Shake," Carlos Rogers of Auburn "Rattle" and Antrel Rolle, well you guessed it, "Roll". Laughter did not ensue.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Youngstown State University police department was called to the Christman Dining Commons on April 20 in reference to a subject attempting to steal items from the store racks. The assistant manager of Christman told police he saw the subject place candy bars in his front jacket pocket. The officer asked the subject for his ID, and he said he left it at home. The officers checked the subject and found nothing. After being searched the subject told police he returned the candy. No charges were pressed and the student was to be cited into the Student Disciplinary Board.

YSUPD was called to the Christman Dining Commons on April 20 in reference to an employee being intoxicated and yelling. Henry Loyce, the suspect, told police that he had one drink before coming to work. He was escorted off the property and issued a minor misdemeanor for disorderly conduct, according to the police report.

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HEADLINES

◀ **Vijay vs. JD**
Vijay Singh defeated John Daly in a one-hole playoff to win the Houston Open Sunday.
▶ **2005 No. 1**
Alex Smith was the number one overall pick in the 2005 NFL Draft. Smith joins the 49ers.



BEREA, Ohio

GM Savage likes his fit in Cleveland

Browns dealt Luke McCown to Tampa Bay for draft pick

By Tom Withers
Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — His first NFL draft as Cleveland's general manager finally

behind him, Phil Savage examined the sleeves of his new dress shirt. He liked the fit.

"I feel like a Brown," said Savage, who came back to fix the Browns after nearly a decade with the Baltimore Ravens. "I even wore an orange shirt today."

Like Savage, after a two-day shopping binge for college football players, the Browns are better dressed now, too.

With eight new players, Cleveland added quality, depth and speed to a team in need of that and more. They brought in game-breaking wide receiver Braylon Edwards and quarterback Charlie Frye, a local feel-good story.

Although he was unable to trade down for more draft picks or move back into the first round to get Georgia linebacker David Pollack on Saturday, Savage did swing a deal on Sunday, getting a sixth-round selection from Tampa Bay for quarterback Luke McCown.

Savage was pleased with the results.

"Overall, we're satisfied," he said. "You want to fill all the holes but you can't do everything."

On Sunday, the Browns selected defensive back/punt returner Antonio Perkins from Oklahoma in the fourth round, giving them their second member of the Sooners' secondary. Safety Brodney Pool was picked in the second round.

Savage has spent considerable time scouting at Oklahoma in the past few years and he was told to "keep an eye on 28 (Perkins' number)" by former Sooner coach Barry Switzer.

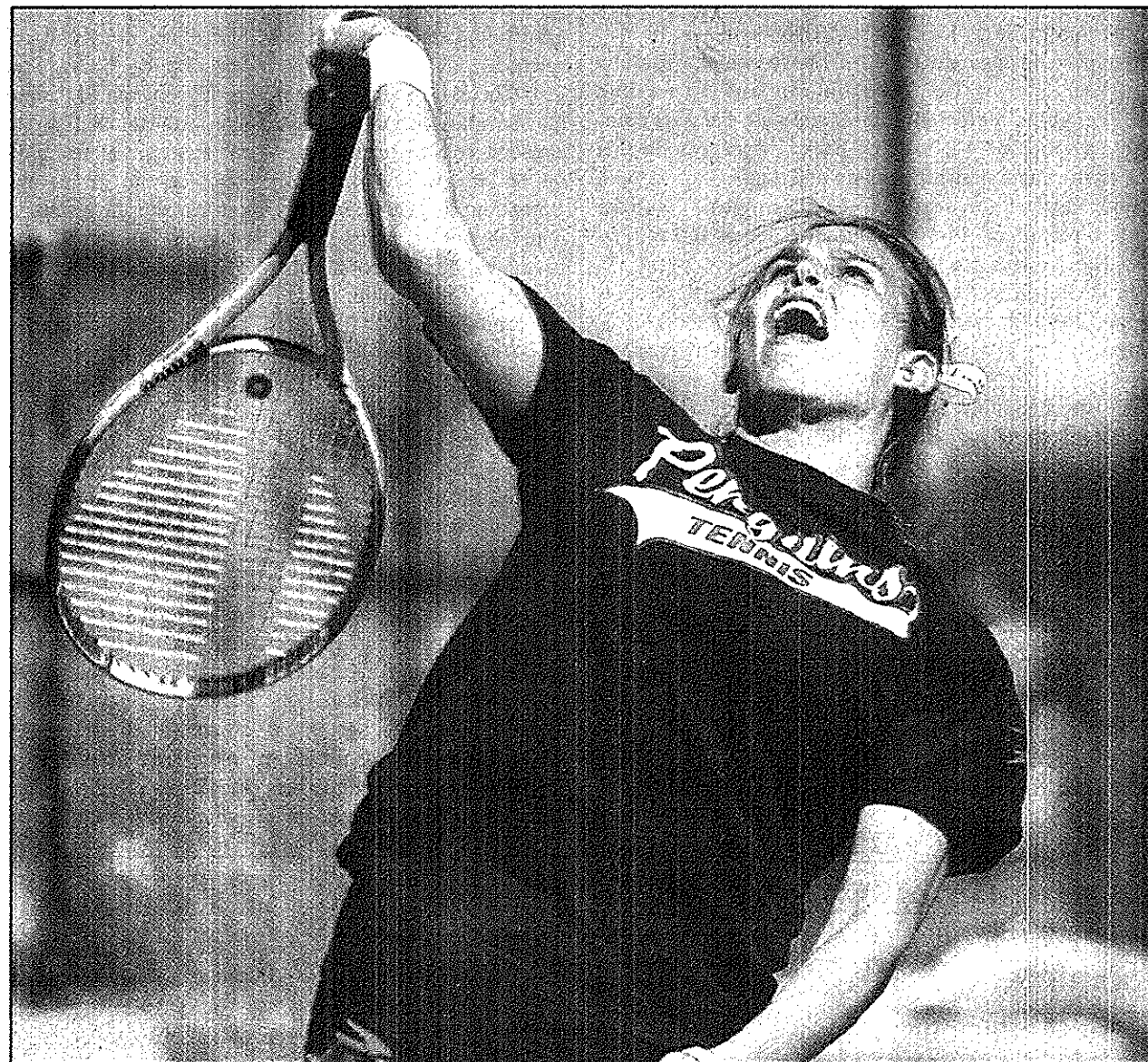
"I think Barry Switzer knows an athlete when he sees one," Savage said.

Perkins set school, Big 12 and NCAA records for punt returns and could challenge Dennis Northcutt for those duties in Cleveland. He'll also have a chance to compete for the club's No. 3 cornerback spot in nickel and dime packages.

The club took Kansas defensive end David McMillan in the fifth round and New Mexico linebacker Nick Speegle in the sixth. Both players are versatile, an

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PENGUINS FALL IN CHAMPIONSHIP



YSU tennis player Whitney Thomas serves during a recent match at the YSU tennis courts. The Penguins lost to the University of Illinois-Chicago, 4-0 Sunday, in the Horizon League Championship match. (Jambar photos by Chuck Rogers)

One match short

Tennis squad loses league championship contest

By Justin Smolkovich
The Jambar

The Youngstown State University Penguins women's tennis team experienced a first this Sunday as they reached its first ever Horizon League Championship match before losing to the University of Illinois Chicago, 4-0. The Penguins, who faced the Flames in the tournament championship, were the first team other than Butler or UIC to reach the final game in four years.

The Penguins were never able to grab a foothold against the Flames, who have won the conference title the last

nine years and have earned a NCAA playoff birth the past seven.

The closest match of the day for the Penguins came in doubles action when the tandem of Karen Najbert and Gina Peretti lost 9-7.

Despite the loss, the achievements this year's squad has earned will act as a guidepost for future Penguin teams, said head coach Michele Grim.

Grim, who is

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2005 WOMEN'S TENNIS RESULTS

Jan. 22	Toledo	L, 3-4
Jan. 23	Bowling Green	L, 3-4
Jan. 29	Ohio State	L, 0-7
Feb. 26	vs. So. Illinois	L, 2-5
Feb. 27	at Ball State	L, 1-6
March 2	Robert Morris	W, 7-0
March 6	CSU	W, 5-2
March 23	Pitt	L, 2-5
March 29	Pitt	L, 2-5
April 2	UWM	W, 6-1
April 3	UWGB	W, 5-1
April 8	DETROIT	W, 7-0
April 15	DAYTON	W, 4-3
April 16	UIC	L, 3-4
April 17	BUTLER	W, 4-3
April 19	Xavier (Ohio)	L, 0-7
April 23	vs. UWGB	W, 4-0
April 24	at Butler	W, 4-2
April 24	vs. UIC	L, 0-4
▶ Overall Record: 14-10		

COMMENTARY

Descent into NFL Draft madness

By Justin Smolkovich
The Jambar

After 48 hours of suspense, intrigue and booing fans, sports lovers can resume their normal routine.

This past weekend the 2005 NFL draft took place in New York City where many young hopefuls sat waiting for their names to be announced by NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue before several thousand rabid fans chomping at the bit to heckle or cheer every selection.

After nearly two days straight of lying on the couch with eyes transfixed on the ESPN Draft Ticker, I began to compile this list of the most memorable moments and bizarre oddities of the most recent draft.

Mr. Who?

Every year the last selection in the draft, which is the 255th during the seventh round, is declared "Mr. Irrelevant." This year the title went to Andy Stokes who was selected by New England. As if an ego crushing moniker were not enough, "Mr. Irrelevant" is also given a parade in New Port Beach, Calif. Stokes will also receive the "Lowsman Trophy."

Don't Trust Gurus

ESPN relies heavily on the expertise of their many on-air personalities for draft projections and none more so than the self-proclaimed "Guru" Mel Kiper Jr. I am not quite sure if my distrust of Kiper stems from the smug "I told you so" look when his picks are right, or the fact that his hair has not moved in roughly a decade.

Paul Taglia-BOO

For some reason people hate the commissioner of the NFL. One would assume he has been spitting on babies and pushing old people to the ground with the reactions he received when he approached the podium to announce each first round pick and without fail he was assaulted with a myriad of boos to which he only smiled.

Slip-N-Slide

Aaron Rodgers, the quarterback from California who was projected by some analysts to go at the number one spot, fell all the way to the 24th spot, and we were there to witness every close-up of his grief-riddled face as he plummeted down the draft board. Thank goodness ESPN had their "Anguishcam" focused on the face of Rodgers for hours or we would have missed him blinking or drinking water.

Descent into Madness

It became apparent at roughly the six-hour mark on day one that the host of ESPN's draft special, Chris "Boomer" Berman was losing his mind. During the nearly 12-hour-long draft day, Berman, who is famous for creating catchy nicknames such as Brady "Bunch" Anderson, slowly but surely lost his grip on reality as he

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YSU

Oh Canada, oh Canada...

Canadian student athletes leave their native land, and find new home at YSU

By Laura Amero
The Jambar

For some students, leaving home to attend college in a different state can be a major adjustment in their life. Imagine, though, having to attend college in a different country.

One glance at the Youngstown State University athletic rosters makes it apparent there is no shortage of Canadian student athletes who have made the sacrifice of leaving their native land in order to pursue an education and an athletic career in the United States.

Among these transplants are nine Canadian-born athletes whose athletic involvement at YSU can be found on



SARAH BERRY



TIFFANY PATTESON

the softball, tennis, track, soccer, swimming and basketball teams.

The YSU softball team has recruited the most Canadians. Junior softball player, Tiffany Patteson, has witnessed the Canadian

Freshman teammate Sarah Berry, originally from Canada, confirms that some of her teammates who have remained in Canada seem curious about American athletics.

"When I go home and play on my summer team, many of the girls ask me what it's like to play in the U.S.," Berry said. "If I say it's a great experience it makes them want to play in the U.S. If I say it's a bad one, then they aren't too interested in the U.S."

People may wonder why these young athletes choose to travel so far to continue their athletic and academic careers. When it comes down

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