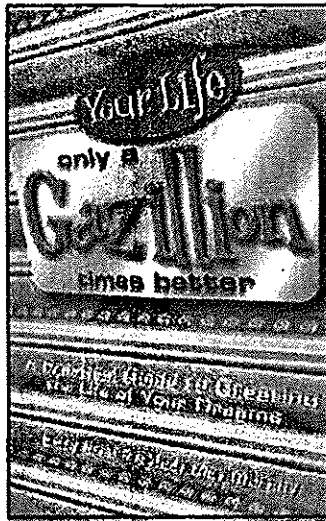


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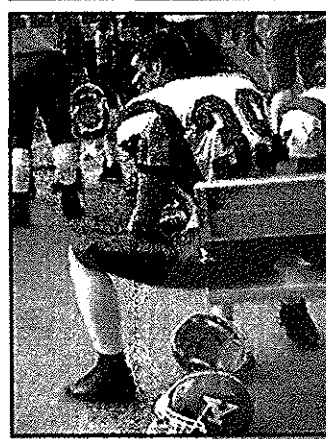
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In Brief

Copies of 2010 plan available

The Youngstown 2010 plan is finished and can be downloaded at www.youngstown2010.com. Copies also can be viewed at Youngstown's five library locations or purchased for \$25 at the Youngstown Planning Department, which is located on the sixth floor of Youngstown City Hall, 26 South Phelps St.

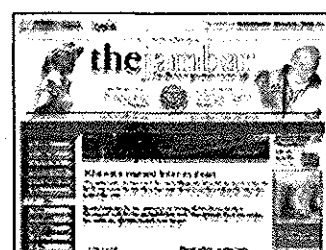
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The Dana School of Music will host the Jazz Combos performance, directed by Kent Engelhardt and Daniel Murphy 12:15 p.m. Wednesday Oct. 5 as part of the Noon Concert Series, at the Butler Institute of American Art.

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YSU REC CENTER

Andrews sees a big opening day

By: Cheryl Thompson
REPORTER

More than 1,600 students and faculty members used the Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center after its doors opened Monday morning.

Director of campus recreation, intramural sports and the rec center, Jack Rigney, said he is pleased with opening day attendance and said he expects it to increase as the year progresses.

"It will continue to grow through word-of-mouth," Rigney said. "Once students try it and like it, they will tell other students who will come and use the facility."

One minor hurdle for the rec center involved dress code. According to rec center policy, individuals are

not allowed to use the facilities if they are wearing open-toe shoes, jeans or sleeveless shirts.

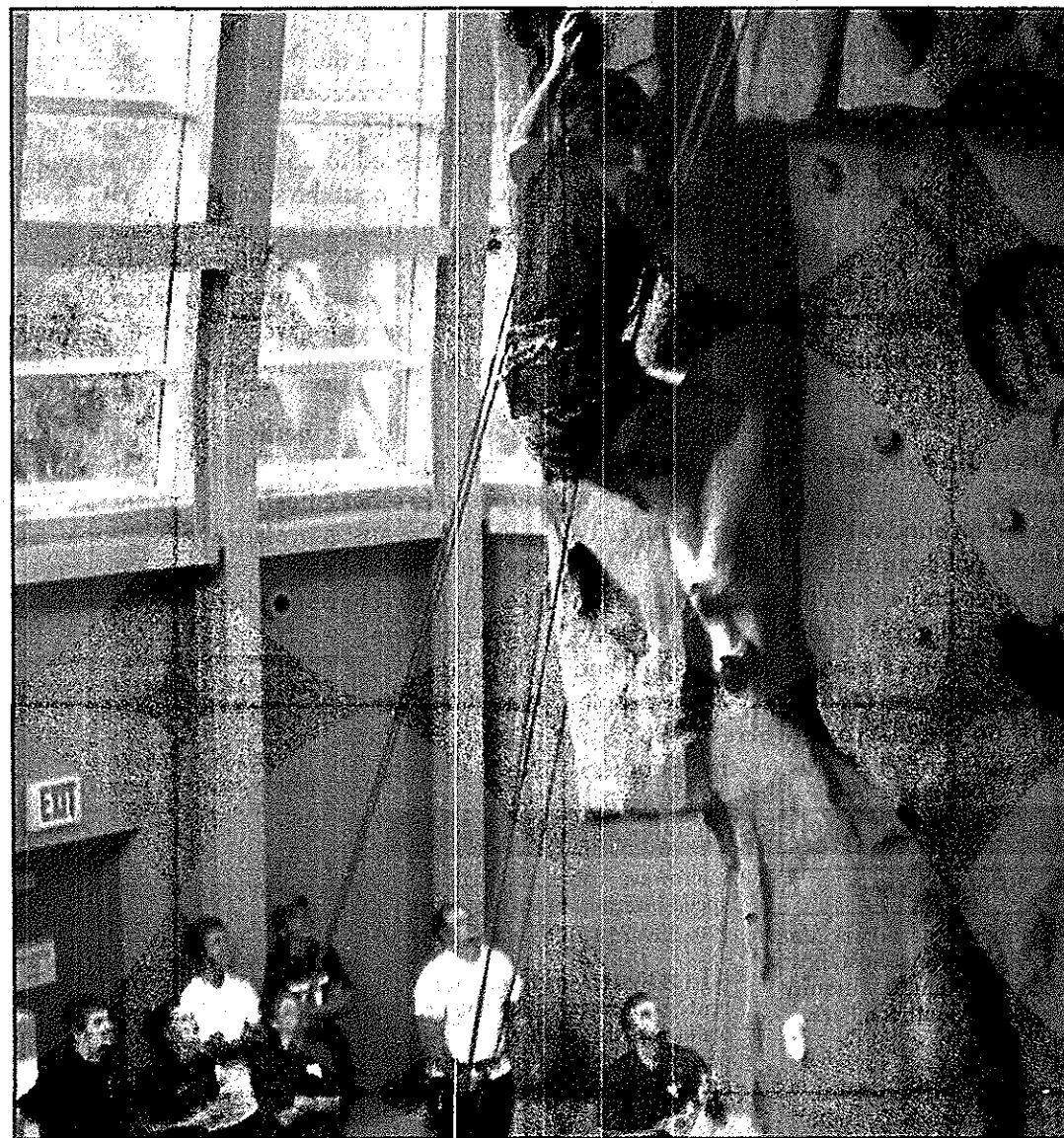
Rigney said since some students may not be aware of the rules concerning sleeveless shirts, the rec center staff loaned students shirts.

"We require this for safety and health reasons and there have been no arguments so far," said Rigney.

Before the Andrews Recreation and Wellness Center opened, students who wanted to work out had to use the same facilities as student athletes and share equipment in Beeghly Center and Stambaugh Stadium.

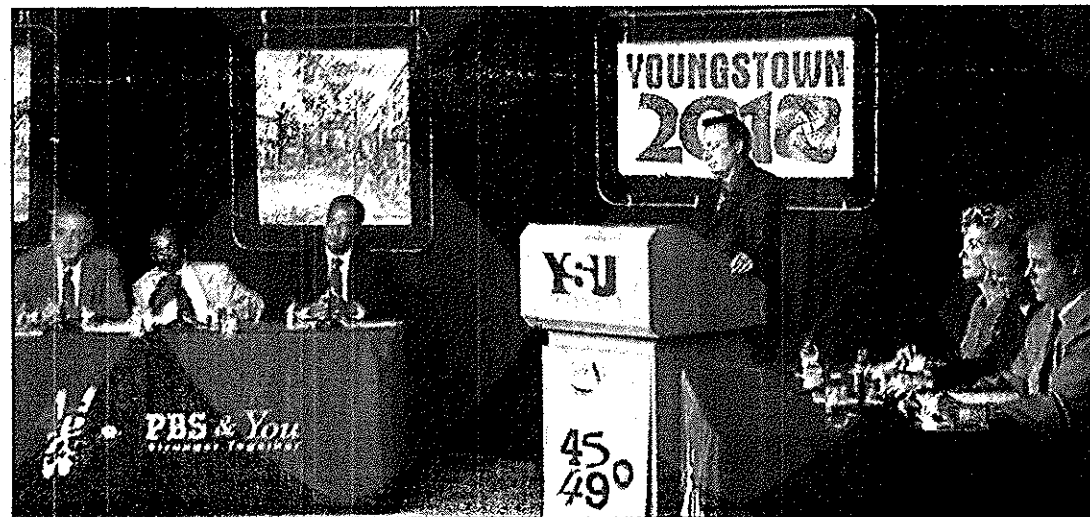
Now that the rec center is officially open, some students say they are planning

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Freshman Jason Zunk, pre-engineering, takes his shot Monday at the 53-foot tall climbing wall that is one of the staples of the new Andrews Recreation and Wellness center. More than 1,600 people utilized the facility Monday, the center's first day of operation.

YOUNGSTOWN



Candidates for this year's Youngstown mayor's race held a forum recently to discuss their platforms and the Youngstown 2010 project.

Kilcawley hosts forum of mayoral hopefuls

By: Eric Grosso
FEATURES REPORTER

Kilcawley Center was home to the latest round of mayoral debates on Thursday, as political hopefuls took part in a 90-minute forum that aired live on PBS. The program was a part in a series of broadcasts concerning the Youngstown 2010 project.

"Candidates Night" featured all six Youngstown mayoral hopefuls fielding questions from area journalists. State Sen. Bob Hagan, the Democratic nominee, Jay Williams, Joe Teague, Maggy Lorenzi,

Brendan Gilmartin, all independents, and Robert Korchnak, the Republican nominee, took part in the forum. The event was moderated by Joe Bell of WKBN/27 First News.

A panel of four journalists took turns asking the six candidates questions on various topics. The panel included Jambar Editor in Chief Leonard Crist, WKBN/Newsradio 570 personality Jim Michaels, WKBN/27 First News reporter Cynthia Barnes and WYTV/33 News reporter Gerry Ricciutti.

As the candidates fielded questions about

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Materials Engineering program restored

By: Cheryl Thompson
REPORTER

The Materials Engineering Program is being revived after 10 years of dormancy, offering students in the Department of Engineering real-life experience.

Cynthia Hirtzel, dean of the William Rayen College of Engineering, is reviving the program with help from a \$1.4 million grant received from U.S. Rep. Tim Ryan (D-Niles) earlier this month.

"Ryan does a good job of giving money back to the tax payers," Hirtzel said.

Students get to put equip-

ment such as the Scanning Electron Microscope to practical use through local partnerships.

"Some companies do have access to this kind of equipment and would generally have to travel to Cleveland to use it, but we have it here, so we sign students up as interns and they get paid to run tests for them," Hirtzel said.

The Process

Wearing a metallic apron and oversized metallic gloves for protection, graduate student Ryan Paul used tongs to carefully remove a

tube containing melted glass from the Thermolyne, a high temperature furnace set to a sweltering 3000 degrees Fahrenheit. After this, the melted glass was poured into a mold and cooled.

Getting the glass to cool is a challenging task due to the temperature changes between extreme hot and cold which cause glass molecules to rapidly expand and retract, increasing the chances of the glass cracking and containing air bubbles, rendering the product useless.

"Making glass is the easy

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ACE contracts not set just yet

By: Bill Rodgers
NEWS EDITOR

For the Association of Classified employees union at Youngstown State University, the contract negotiations of the summer aren't quite over yet. ACE and university negotiators met yesterday to discuss their tentative agreement and how it relates to — or differs from — a draft for an Early Retirement Incentive Plan a trustee committee approved on Friday.

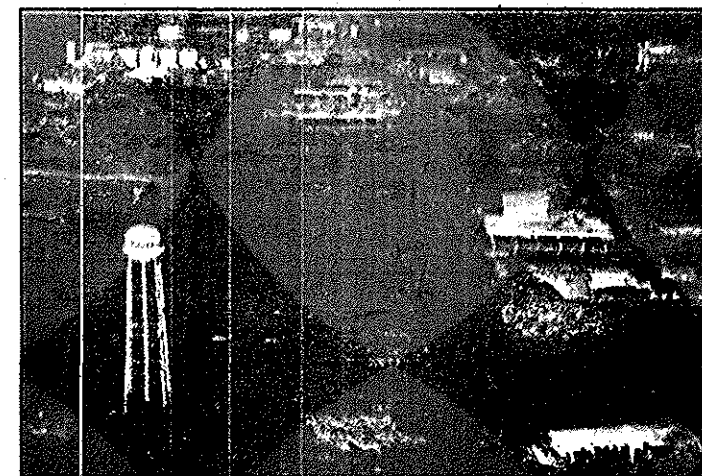
At the center of the debate is the union's claim that the

university negotiators unilaterally changed the terms of the agreement. In a joint meeting on Friday, the Internal Affairs and Finance and Facilities committees ratified an ERIP draft document which the unions say alters the original language of the tentative agreement regarding unused sick leave payout and the date an employee can set to retire.

The proposed ERIP draft states that a classified employee who is a member of the Ohio Public

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YSU / HURRICANE KATRINA



Floodwaters from Hurricane Rita cover streets Sunday in Cameron, La.

Student escapes ruin of hurricanes to Youngstown

By: Courtney DiGiorgi
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Takeysha Lowe, 26, escaped the destruction of Hurricane Katrina. While the rebuilding process begins in Louisiana, Lowe has salvaged her education by choosing to spend a semester at Youngstown State University. Jambar contributor Courtney DiGiorgi interviewed Lowe

about her move north. On Sept. 8, Youngstown State University administration announced its offer to help college students displaced by Hurricane Katrina by offering free tuition and board for the fall semester. Lowe is currently residing in Lyden House and majoring in education.

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The Jambar: Why did you choose Youngstown State University?

Takeysha Lowe: Well, my sister lives in Akron and YSU is the closest school to Akron that is accepting students.

Are you comfortable living in the residence halls? How do you feel about that?

I have my own room, and I just go to class then come back here. I don't really socialize much with the people in the dorms.

Did this affect you or your family personally?

It affected my family. One of my aunts was trapped inside her own home. She has five kids, and had to get the kids rescued by means of a float, and then get them on a rescue copter to Baton Rouge. Another aunt of mine had her windows blown out of her house, as well as another cousin of mine who evacuated to Mississippi. Then there was another cousin of mine that was lost for five or six days, and ended up being located in Texas. It took about five or six days to locate my immediate family.

Where did you first go when you left New Orleans?

We left on Sunday to go to Baton Rouge. It's usually a one hour drive, but with the traffic, my mother and I didn't get there for seven hours. I actually had to talk my mom into leaving New Orleans, she works for a hospital and they wanted her to stay and help all the people.

How do you like college here at YSU?

It's different. I went to the Southern

University of New Orleans, which is smaller. My old university is also more populated with African Americans than YSU is. It's just so much bigger here; I'm used to having twelve people per class, and knowing all my professors. I don't really feel overwhelmed; I'm just trying to play catch-up.

Was there any direct damage to your home?

My apartment is kind of on the outskirts of New Orleans, and is on a higher ground level. There were minor damages, but not as bad as most others.

Do you feel the situation of Katrina was dealt with correctly by President Bush and other officials?

They needed to do more to help everyone. They knew about the situation; so why didn't they try to correct the problem before hand? They know that New Orleans is shaped like a bowl. People were brought out after, when it was on the news for weeks that the hurricane would be devastating to New Orleans.

What was the hardest challenge about New Orleans being hit by Katrina, as opposed to other cities?

New Orleans is a place where people are low on funds and transportation. If most people left, they'd have nowhere to go—which is why some people stayed. I was lucky to get out, but in New Orleans,

where a lot of people don't have cars, where are they going to go without a car? And another thing, people always pour into New Orleans for stuff like Mardi Gras, but when we need help and places to stay, people shun us away. People had trouble finding places to go.

Do you think the media was accurate — as far as images and stories?

The news kept putting the same pictures on the news over and over again. I feel that they kind of made it racial—the only people shown were black people, when in reality, there were a lot of Mexicans and Asians that were affected in the city also.

How is the aid from The Red Cross? Is it what the people of New Orleans expected to get?

Not at all! There were people stuck on the interstate — and all they had to give them was luke-warm water. They didn't give us enough. Whenever people in New Orleans asked for something they needed, Red Cross said they didn't have it because they didn't have the money. How is that possible with all the donations?

Do you think FEMA dealt with the situation correctly?

FEMA? FEMA denied me my own money. We were stuck, and when I asked for my own money, they told me they needed to know the damage to my house before they would give me any funds. Well, I don't know, I've been stuck for seven days! How do I know the damage to my house? FEMA wants to know my damage? My damage is that I'm out of the job; I went from having two jobs to having none.

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OUR SIDE

Board should have heeded ACE warning

Couldn't they just let things be? Nearly a month after an exhausting two-week strike by the Association of Classified Employees, resolved just hours before the start of the fall semester, Youngstown State University officials apparently thought it was a grand idea to tinker with the tentative contract both sides had originally agreed to. The university unilaterally changed the number of unused sick-pay hours members could cash in upon retirement, barred early retirees from returning to YSU and mandated a mutually acceptable early retirement date.

Was ACE the victim of an attempted hoodwinking? Hard to say. But YSU's actions only lead to suspicions, valid or not, that they tried to pull a bait and switch on the union.

According to ACE President Chris Domhoff, the university altered parts of the Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP) without consulting with the union. Domhoff rightly termed the changes unacceptable.

With tensions still cooling following the hot August strike, YSU officials should treat any contract decisions with care and sensitivity. They should have been aware of the agreed upon terms. Ignorance or error is no excuse.

But in one of the more callous and irresponsible administrative decisions in recent memory, the Finance and Facilities and Internal Affairs committees of the YSU Board of Trustees voted Friday to endorse the altered version of the early retirement plan, even after hearing ACE President Christine Domhoff's contention that the document had been unacceptably changed.

If the changes were merely a mistake or a misunderstanding, the board should not have endorsed the contract until the issue was resolved.

Furthermore, Domhoff's warning that the contract had been altered should have been enough reason for trustees to pause and reassess the draft document they were endorsing.

Monday, ACE and YSU negotiators worked out the problems. But like so many scandals and crises on campus, it could have been easily averted with a small amount of effort.

Rec Center thank you's

In a January 2003 editorial, The Jambar thanked Ralph and Matt Morrone and Matt Pavone for their dedication to Youngstown State University's rec center project.

At that time, Pavone and the Morrone's said that they were sick of YSU's commuter reputation. They said they wanted to increase enrollment and boost student participation on campus; they wanted to give students a reason to stay at YSU after class.

Two and a half years later, Pavone and the Morrone's still currently serve on the rec center committee. Matt Morrone has since become the assistant director for campus recreation and intramural sports.

Their work with the Student Government Association and persistence dealing with YSU administration helped push the rec center at times when it looked like it was losing support with university officials.

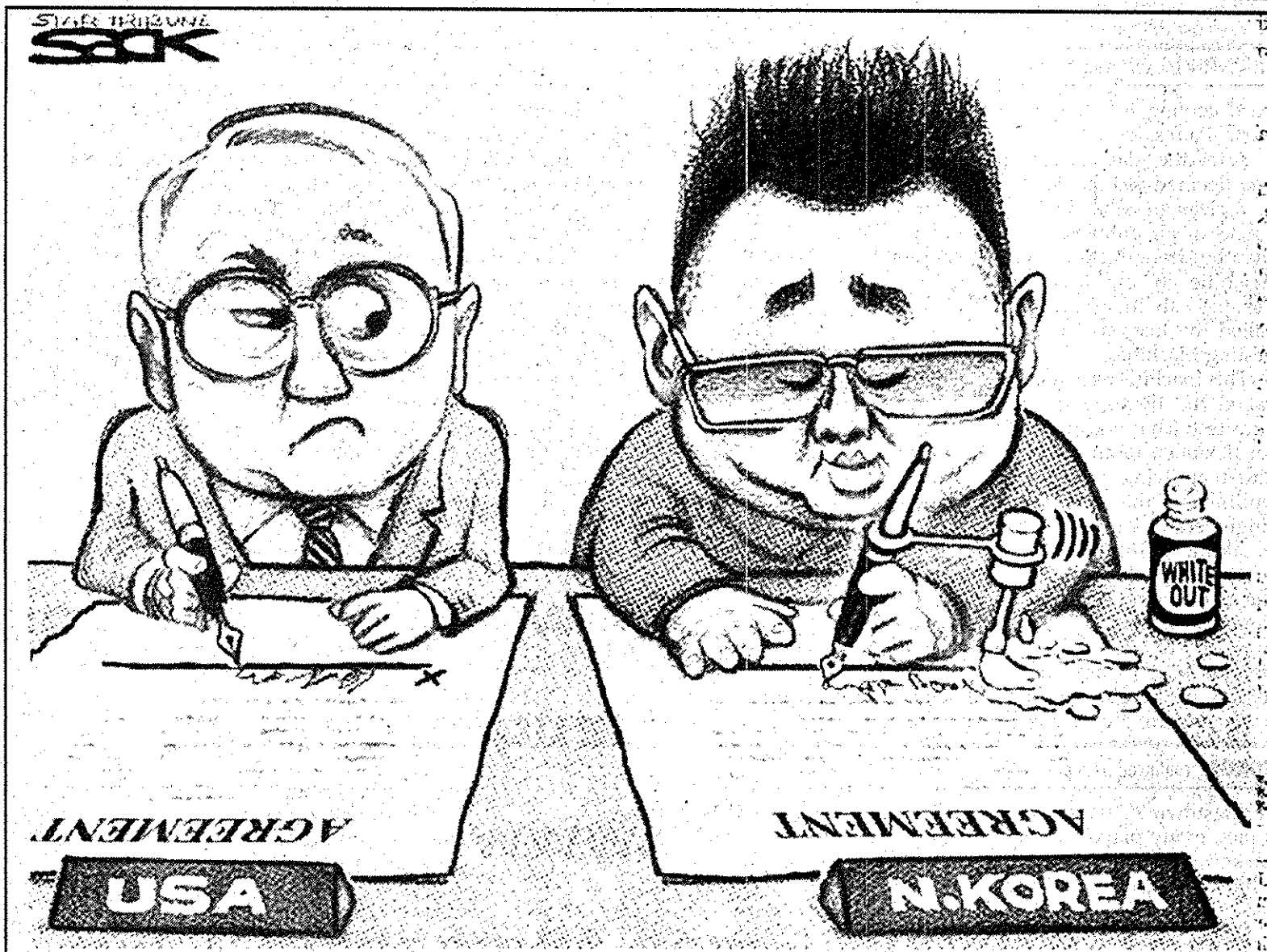
With the improved bookstore, the rec center millions of dollars spent on numerous renovations this summer, YSU students are starting to get what they deserve.

That gratitude showed by The Jambar in 2003 is still felt today.

It is also important to remember the amount of private donations that made the rec center possible.

John and Denise York and the Florence Simon Beecher both made donations of more than \$1 million dollars, YSU alumni also donated \$5.4 million to the rec center project and the Kresge Foundation gave YSU a grant for \$600,000. University employees donated more than \$70,000 and President David Sweet personally donated \$10,000.

To these donors and the more than 600 others, and to students who fought for the rec center, thank you.



GUEST COMMENTARY

'What do they got that I don't got?'

By: Nathan Pavalko
GUEST COMMENTATOR

What do they got that I don't got? Those indelible words were uttered by the Cowardly Lion in "The Wizard of Oz," but they are quite appropriate for Youngstown State University. As the centennial of the university approaches, I have begun to wonder what differentiates YSU from other universities in Ohio. YSU seems to lack a large amount of student activity on campus. It is primarily a commuter school in which students arrive for classes and then leave after they are done. Not very many students are involved on campus after classes are over and, very few, compared to the total population, live on campus. There is a lack of after-hours activity on campus, and in a broader sense a lack of respect for the school.

Could lack of respect be because of the age of YSU? Perhaps because it is one of the "younger" college in Ohio, it doesn't have the prestige of an "older" university? But YSU was founded in 1908 while Kent State University, a regional rival to YSU, was founded in 1910. This places them at roughly the same age, so that can't be the answer.

Could it be the lack of professionalism on the part of teaching staff? This can't be because Sherry Linkon was named the

Ohio Professor of the Year by Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching in 2003. In addition to Linkon, YSU has many other highly skilled professors in a multitude of fields.

Could it be the region? Does YSU offer entertainment and economic resources for students living on and off campus? Here I think we have hit the nail on the head. The main reason why YSU doesn't have more campus activity and involvement is because Youngstown is not a college town. YSU is set up, and promoted as an "urban university" meaning that it is a university in the middle of an urban setting. There is no connection between downtown Youngstown and the YSU campus.

How can we fix this? Integrate YSU into downtown. I'm not advocating anything drastic, but to integrate slowly. It would be much to the city's advantage to promote the venues and restaurants in downtown Youngstown to the YSU student body. Offer discount tickets to the symphony or 25 cents off shots at the downtown Draught House. The major opportunity for the city and the university is the new convocation center. I hope that the two institutions would be in negotiations to have student rates for tickets to the Steelhounds hockey games.

In addition to promoting existing businesses and venues to students, I think that

the city needs to offer basic services to students at YSU. Why isn't there grocery store on campus or in downtown? Why isn't there a video store on campus or in downtown? Why aren't there basic amenities that any other university in Ohio has at YSU? The city and the University not only need to offer attractive places for students to live and learn, but they need to offer the simple things. One of the major goals of the Centennial Master Plan at YSU calls for twenty percent of the student body to be living on campus. This is an admirable goal, but why would a student live on campus if she or he has to travel off campus to Boardman or Canfield to get soap or milk.

In writing this commentary I am addressing it not only to the students of Youngstown State University, urging them to ask similar questions and get more involved on campus, but I am also addressing this to YSU President David Sweet.

Dr. Sweet, I am pleased with my experience at YSU, but it could be better. If you truly want the university to expand and for it to be an active campus, focus on not only the large scale projects like the Rec Center, but also on the daily life of students.

Nathan Pavalko is a junior History major at Youngstown State University.



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Employees Retirement System can apply for early retirement. If an employee has enough years of service to the university, the university will buy two years of service from the employee and that person may retire. The university can then fill the empty position with an entry-level employee at less cost to the university.

The ERIP will be available to as many as 131 employees from March 1, 2006 to Dec. 31, 2007. John Habat, YSU's vice-president of administration, said the plan would give the university a permanent base savings of \$2.7 million by 2009.

The union said the ERIP draft left out key provisions

the union and administration had agreed upon. Under the tentative agreement, ACE members can be reimbursed for accumulated sick leave; 25 percent of the first 500 hours, 40 percent of the second 500 hours and 50 percent of the third 500 hours upon retirement.

However, under Friday's

ERIP draft, employees would only be eligible to receive compensation for unused sick leave paid at 25 percent to a maximum of 30 days.

The draft calls for a mutually agreeable date for an employee's retirement. The union pointed out that in their tentative agreement, there was no mention of the

university needing to agree with the retirement date set by an employee. The agreement says an employee must only give six months advanced notice.

Also cited by the union as deviating from the language of the original agreement was the draft's treatment of a grievance procedure and the provision that an employee who participates in ERIP would not be eligible for reemployment at the university.

ACE President Christine Domhoff said the differences between the two documents were unacceptable to her union. She stood up and objected to the draft proposal before the trustees voted on it.

"If they had tried to put those provisions in when we negotiated, we never would have agreed to the contract," Domhoff said

after the meeting. Habat said the disagreements "would not stand in the way of a mutually acceptable resolution."

Domhoff said after yesterday's meeting with Hugh Chatman, YSU's executive director of human resources, and Jim Wilkins, the attorney handling ACE negotiations for the university, that the provisions in the draft her union had objected to were removed. She said that a future meeting would focus on making the draft reflect what was agreed to in the tentative agreement.

"The meeting was a success," Domhoff said. Wilkins and Chatman could not be reached for comment at press time.

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part, cooling it is the hard part," Paul said.

After the glass is cooled and deemed acceptable, that is, a clear glass bar with no cracks or air bubbles, it can then be strength tested on a machine in the Materials Testing Lab in Moser Hall called the Instron Universal Testing Machine.

This machine uses what is called the three-point pressure test. The machine tests for flexibility of an object by either applying pressure or pulling the objects. Engineers can find the breaking points of brittle materials by clamping it on the ends while a bit bears down on the middle, exerting up to 30 thousand pounds of pressure on the middle of the object until it bows and finally breaks in

half. To test the strength of metal and plastics, the process is different while brittle material is snapped; more flexible material is pulled vertically like salt-water taffy.

"It takes a long time for metals like steel to break, but when they do, it results in a huge bang," Paul said.

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Software hooked to the machine automatically charts a graph showing how stresses and strains affect the material.

If sophomore Nick Durse had attended another university, he said he would not have the chance to operate advanced machinery like the Thermolyne, Instron or the Z Cooperation 3D printer. This machine allows the students

to create instant ceramic prototypes out of their designs.

"At other colleges, the tours of their labs are kind of misleading. They show you all of the equipment, but only grad students and professors get to operate it," Durse said.

One project that the Materials Engineering Department is working on is steel foam. This form of aerated steel is being developed for the manufacturing of planes, trains and automobiles. As a result of the holes, the steel is more lightweight and will help to make cars more fuel-efficient. Other benefits are increased safety in crashes. Hirtzel said the aerated steel helps to dissipate the pressure from the impact.

Hirtzel said she isn't certain when car manufacturers

will start producing cars made of steel foam, saying that even after the product is developed there are still legal matters such as intellectual ownership to sort out.

Paul and Durse, along with sophomore Leah Nakley, are student research assistants employed by the department to run experiments and help keep the labs up and running. There are four labs located in Moser, the Microscopy /Materials Testing Lab, the Corrosion Lab and the Scanning Electron Microscope Lab all of which are located in Moser Hall.

Students will be able to earn degrees in this field pending the approval of two courses by the Academic Senate.

Call Cheryl Thompson at (330) 941-1913.

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Youngstown 2010 and other topics, many played to their backgrounds as reasons to why the project would succeed.

Maggie Lorenzi said activity was the key to making the plan work. She said Youngstown is not caring for its youth, citing the lack of enforcement toward ordinances holding parents accountable, a factor in the city's 56 percent graduation rate. Lorenzi also said another aspect that would help the youth of Youngstown is better cooperation between Youngstown City Council and Youngstown City Schools, claiming that schools could go after money on contracts breached by city council.

According to Lorenzi, more than 90 pages of city ordinances that aren't being enforced is another contributor to the decline of the city. Lorenzi hopes that active enforcement of these ordinances would be a big contributor to the Youngstown 2010 plan.

"We need to stop looking toward the outside. Youngstown needs to start taking care of Youngstown," Lorenzi said.

Robert Korchnak talked about his background in engineering and construction, which he would use to help run the city. He noted

that he is the only candidate running with actual engineering experience.

Korchnak said to make the 2010 project a success, it would have to start at the top, putting policies in place to hold everyone accountable. If elected, he said he plans to run the city as a quality control manager, making sure projects are completed and departments do the work they are designed to. He also wants to go through each department and find out the money being spent, hoping to better spend city money, specifically citing how money is spent in the city's water department and unpaid income tax as two important financial factors.

Korchnak also noted lowering the income tax could be possible, but would not be prioritized over the safety of the city. A better evaluation of each department and the end to outsourcing projects could also save the city money.

"With the culmination of all these things, we could save enough money to roll back the income tax," Korchnak said.

Joe Teague started by expressing his displeasure with the 2010 plan.

"I have some ideas that could change Youngstown, but I don't like 2010. There's

something strange about 2010 and shadiness about the whole thing," Teague said.

He held that opinion of 2010 throughout the night.

Teague also noted the need and importance of eliminating drugs from schools, hoping to give kids a better chance.

According to Brendan Gilmartin, Youngstown's future depends on three factors; economic development, increased education and addressing crime. When it came to 2010, Gilmartin also stressed his displeasure.

"I don't think I'd have to go very far to shoot some holes in the specifics of the plan," Gilmartin said.

Even though his platform includes numerous revitalization projects, he said the 2010 plan falls short in a number of ways, most notably its funding. Gilmartin hopes that prioritizing certain aspects of the plan in conjunction to what Youngstown actually needs the most would be more beneficial than only following the plan.

State Sen. Robert F. Hagan said he wanted to make the city clean, safe and united,

noting his experience as a politician showed he can achieve his goal.

The implementation of the Youngstown 2010 plan was a high priority for Hagan, including making people aware that the plan would work.

"Cohesiveness is important. You have to get everyone, including the people involved in the project," Hagan said.

Hagan also noted talks with mayors of Akron and Gary, Ind. showed him that these types of plans can be successful if implemented, as both have plans similar to 2010.

Candidate Jay Williams saw Youngstown 2010 not as a fix-all plan, but a beginning to get the city heading in the right direction. Williams, whose platform calls for increasing jobs, safety and the quality of life, called the plan foundation or roadmap that would help Youngstown gain a better frame of mind.

Williams resigned as Youngstown's Community Development Agency director in April to run for mayor.

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to make the facility their primary workout venue.

Senior Samantha Bell used to travel to Eastwood Fitness in Niles and paid \$320 a year to workout.

"Now I can just come here and work out after school," Bell said.

Bell said that she hadn't used the workout facilities in Beeghly Center or Stambaugh because she wasn't sure where they were located.

Freshman Andron Phippen said he used to workout in Stambaugh, but because the weight room at Stambaugh closes at 2 p.m., he wouldn't always get a chance to lift.

"I'm going to be up here seven days a week," Phippen said.

Sophomore Laura Davidson, who lives in the Cafaro House, said she used machines in the basement of her dorm, but likes the rec center more because there are more machines.

"I am really impressed," Davidson said. "I am looking forward to learning how to play racquetball and climbing the rock wall."

The rock-climbing wall, one of the tallest in the state, includes 10 climbing routes

of varying degrees of difficulty. It can accommodate up to four climbers at a time.

Senior Lauren Alfreno said this was one of the more challenging rock-climbing walls she has tried.

"It's not as easy as it looks," Alfreno said.

In order to climb the rock wall, students must fill out a waiver and wear specialized shoes provided by the rec center.

Rec center coordinator, Brandy Fagnano, said the facility intends to keep up with the changing fitness needs of students by monitoring which equipment is being used the most.

"We have monitors out on the floor today that collect stats every 15 minutes to let us know how often equipment is being used," Fagnano said.


Next week the cable will be connected, allowing students to watch various television programs while working out in the rec center. Drop-in fitness classes such as cardio-kick boxing, Pilate's, yoga and spinning will also begin next week.

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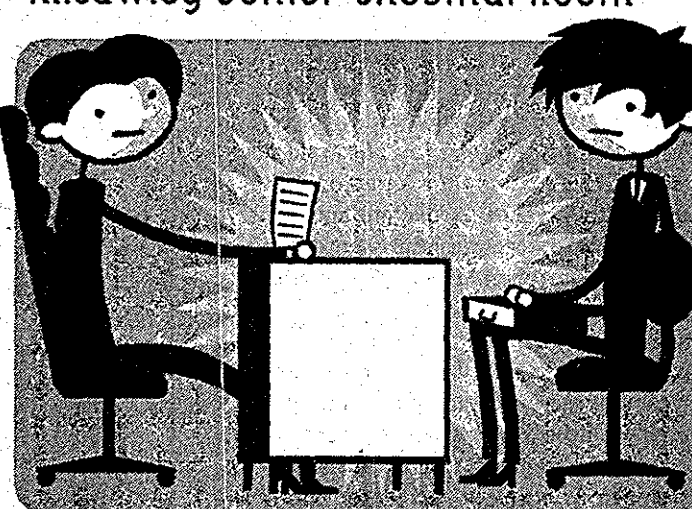
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To sleep, perchance to slack

By: Bob Mackey
 COLUMNIST

The life of a college student is swamped with responsibilities, assignments, social obligations and various other things that society would rather have you do than play video games in your underpants. And this student life, combined with an uncaring, emotionally desolate world that heedlessly snatches everyone and everything you love out of your life, leaving you a wretched shell of a person, drowsiness is inevitable. Yes, you could stay up, work hard, grow as a person, and get things done, but wouldn't it be easier to just take a rest until this whole "college" thing blows over? Mortgaging your future is as easy as lying down, curling up into the fetal position, and hopping onto the Sleepytown Express!

"But newspaper," you shout. "I'm on campus most of the day! Where could I possibly catch both capital and lowercase Z's?" YSU has answered this important question by littering campus with hundreds of couches and chairs, each one purposed for lounging. Unfortunately, sleeping on campus is not this simple; each set of couches and chairs holds respective mysteries of Rosetta Stone magnitude. With the amount of time I've spent on campus, however, I've been able to unravel the upholstered enigmas in most campus buildings, as a public service to the student body. Hopefully, this investigation should help you get enough rest for nighttime underpants-clad video gaming.

DeBartolo Hall: I'm putting this here as a precautionary measure. Do not think of sit-

ting on, or even touching the couches in DeBartolo Hall. Do not taunt them. If they offer you anything, find an adult. If you plan on crossing the DeBartolo Hall lobby, bring a friend and institute a "buddy system," or perhaps a "bait system" if you don't like the person. The furniture in DeBartolo Hall has been around so long and has absorbed so much genetic material that, at night, the couches and chairs actually become sentient monsters that wander the halls, feasting on maintenance staff and non-traditional students. Fortunately, licensed couch tamers are flown in nightly on black helicopters to sedate them, but I still have to question why YSU doesn't get rid of furniture born of the devil.

Cushwa Hall: What strikes me about the main Cushwa Hall lobby, besides the funniness of the word "Cushwa," is just how

sparsely furnished that large open area is. Two words come to mind: "blanket fort." Yes, you'll have to supply your own blankets and pull furniture down from other floors, but you'll have a veritable sleep kingdom. If you're worried about campus security getting on your case, keep this in mind: nothing can penetrate the blanket fort. Just remember this fact if any hurricane activity comes to Ohio. While everyone else is starving and killing each other in government shelters, you'll be in a warm blanket fort, eating S'mores and watching "The Tony Danza Show."

Maag Library: Maag is home to the new Jazzman's Café, and nothing says jazz like heroin, so you might want

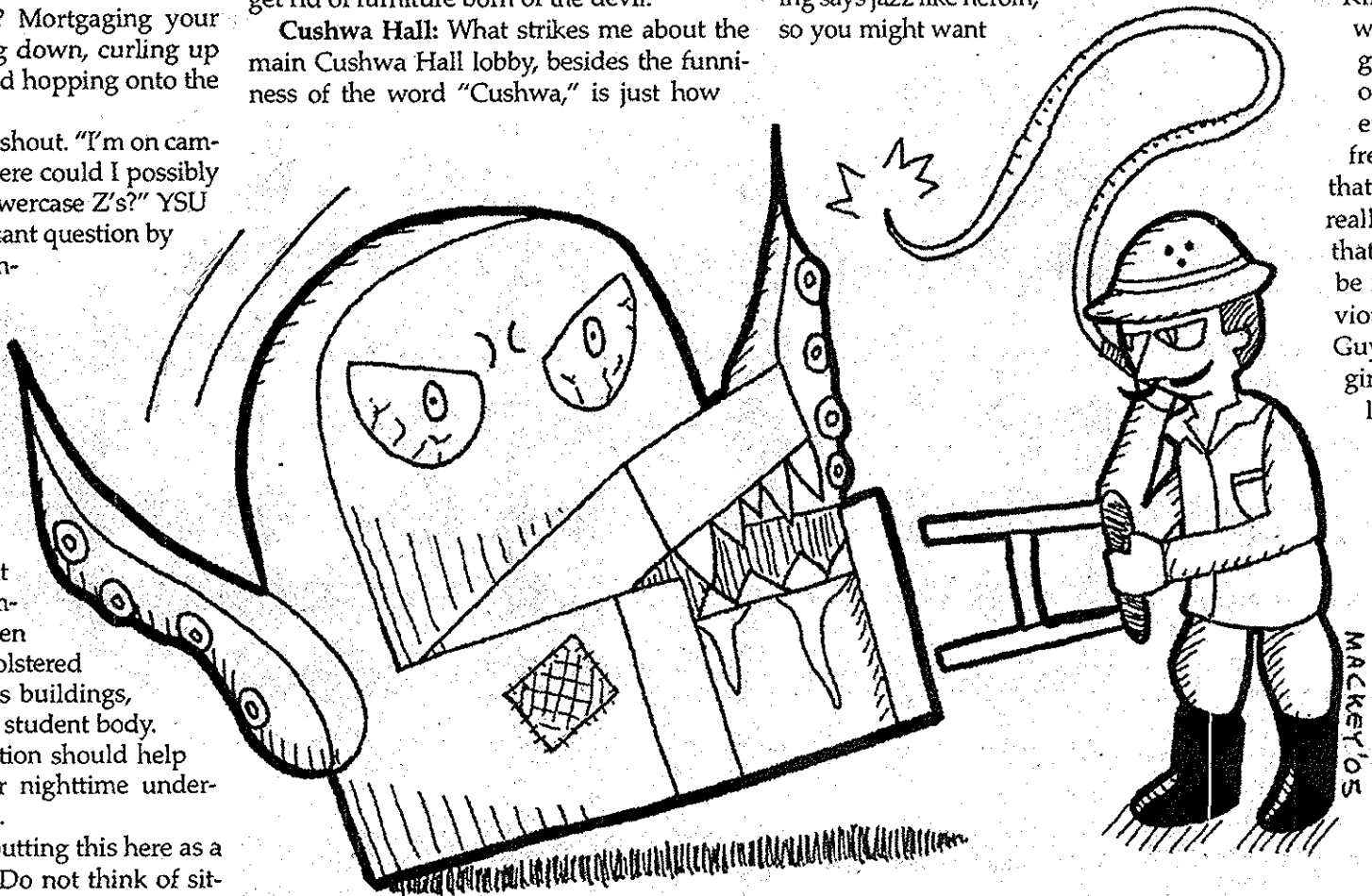
to use this as your place to "come down," as the kids like to say. If anyone has a problem with sleeping in a café without buying anything, just make a bunch of random noises and say you're a jazz musician. Most people won't know the difference.

Tod Hall: If you're upset with the amount of tuition you've been paying, keep in mind that Tod Hall is the stomping ground of most of the YSU higher-ups. So if you want to not bathe for a while and stink up their lobby, out of protest, I won't stop you. Tod Hall's secret police might stop you, though.

Kilcawley Center: The Schwebel Reception Center on the second floor of Kilcawley Center is like heaven, except without the harsh restrictions of being a good person and having concern for others. The large, leathery couches are, even big enough for the somewhat freakishly tall (me), and sweet lord, is that place ever quiet. On second thought, I really shouldn't be telling you all of this; if that lounge gets too crowded, there won't be room for me. Disregard what I've previously said about it and heed my words. Guys, if you sit on the couches there, your girlfriends will become pregnant! And, ladies, if you sit on the couches, you will become a guy with a pregnant girlfriend! I'm not even going to mention all of the Draculas flying around in there. That's some scary stuff.

As you can see, finding a place to crash on campus isn't that hard. And if you get enough practice, you'll be ready for an entire life of sleeping in public places. Should this concern you, my advice is to take a rest. When you wake up, it'll be dark, and time for more "Halo."

Call Bob Mackey at (330) 941-1913.



'Homework Express' puts something good on television

By: Eric Grosso
 FEATURES REPORTER

Youngstown State University produced the area's newest television program, "Homework Express," which was broadcast live the first time last week.

Kelly Stevens of HOT 101.1 is the show's host, while YSU students and faculty serve as crew. Five area teachers will rotate appearances, taking phone calls from middle school students who need help with math and science homework.

The program is broadcast live and encourages students to call in and have teachers walk them through math and science problems while watching from home.

"Homework Express" also aims to help students prepare for the Ohio Graduation Test. In addition to help, callers were also given prizes such as CDs and gift certificates to local retailers.

"We know that students struggle with math and science and that a helping hand can make a difference," said Fred Owens, telecommunications professor and Homework Express project director.

Students aren't confined just to math and science. If they have a question in another field, students are told where they can find the answer. Students can call (330) 941-2030 during program hours for help.

Shows also include segments filmed at various local schools.

Similar shows currently air in New York, West Virginia and Maryland. The show is funded by

Youngstown, Warren and Austintown city schools, the Wean and Seidel foundations, YSU and others. Mahoning and Trumbull County Libraries, Mahoning and Trumbull County Educational and Service Centers and Diocese of Youngstown also contributed to the program.

Judy Moschella, math teacher from Volney Rodgers Junior High and East Middle School, stressed the importance of math to middle school students during Thursday's program.

"If they realize math has a connection to everyday life, they'll realize that the things we do in the classroom really take the puzzle out of life," Moschella said. "Math surrounds us, it tells us what we're doing and where we're going."

Not only are middle-school students benefiting from the program, producers say YSU telecommunication students are also gaining valuable experience.

"Working on the show will serve as a capstone to their academic careers," said Amy Graban-Crawford, a telecommunications professor and associate producer. "It's a good addition to what we do in the telecommunications department."

The show airs every Tuesday and Thursday from 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Time Warner, Adelphia and Armstrong cable systems. The show airs on Time Warner of Youngstown on Channel 9, on Time Warner of Trumbull on channel 16, Armstrong in Mahoning County on channel 20 and on Adelphia on channel 10.

Call Eric Grosso at (330) 941-3758.

'Your Life' more workbook than book

By: Beth Ward
 KRT CAMPUS

Imagine your life a gazillion times better. Does it include a great career? Having better relationships? Being healthier? Or just having more fun?

Cathy Breslin, a counselor and hypnotherapist, and Judy May Murphy, a success coach, are the authors of "Your Life Only a Gazillion Times Better," which guides people on how to achieve their "dream life."

"Everything starts with a decision — even if it's a decision to do what we have always done,"

the authors state in Chapter 4: Great States. "We often think that we are avoiding making decisions, but in fact, that in itself is a decision not to take action."

The authors assume by picking up the book you have made the decision to take control of your life and take the steps to make your dream life possible.

Breslin and Murphy force you to actively think about your life, what you would like to change and how you are going to make it possible. A major requirement is



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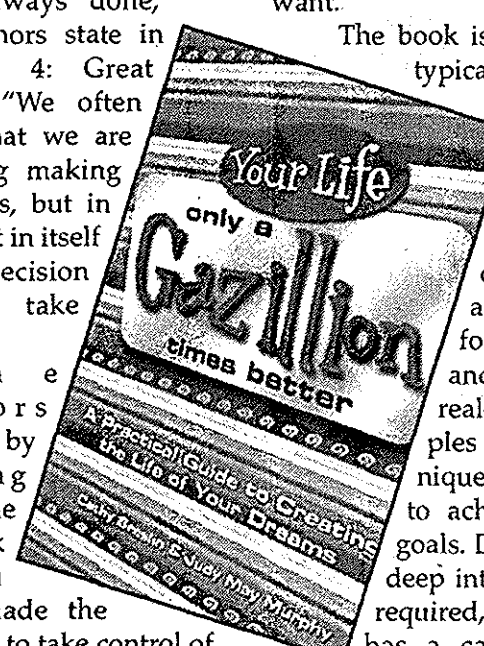
Judy May Murphy, one of the authors of the new book, "Your Life Only a Gazillion Times Better," is a fan of self-help books and thinks that people are responsible for making their lives everything they can.

that the reader takes a long, hard and honest look at their life and what they want.

The book is not your typical self-help book.

It's set up like a workbook with questions and space for answers and provides real-life examples and techniques on how to achieve your goals. Despite the deep introspection required, the book has a casual tone and fun activities, like visualizing your dream life as a movie.

"We designed this book so you even if you can only give it five minutes a day, you can dip into it, read a story, do an exercise and make your life instantly bet-



Far as we know, we only get to live once, why not make it amazing?

— Judy May Murphy

ter," Murphy said.

Murphy, herself a fan of self-help books, said the problem is many make people feel better but don't offer them way to make practical changes, which is what "Gazillion" does.

The final chapter is defined as "your life-coach-

ing Band-Aid box." It addresses procrastination, self-criticism, making excuses and lack of self-confidence — all things that could slow your progress to your indefinitely better life. "Far as we know, we only get to live once, why not make it amazing?" Murphy said.

- ▶ 9/27 — Men's golf @ John Dallio Invitational
- ▶ 9/30 — Volleyball @ Cleveland State University
- ▶ 9/30 — Soccer @ Niagara
- ▶ 9/27 — Women's tennis at Akron Zips Invitational

YSU FOOTBALL

Penguins fall to Panthers

YSU will now get set for conference play

By: Mark Stevens
DESIGN EDITOR

Nearly one week after shutting out the Liberty Flames, 42-0, the Youngstown State University Penguins were on the receiving end of a similar score this past Saturday, as they dropped their first game of the season, 41-0 at the hands of the Pitt Panthers at Heinz Field.

The Penguins, who fell to 3-1 with the loss, played catch-up nearly from the start. After forcing the Penguins into a three-and-out on their first possession, Pitt quarterback Tyler Palko threw a touchdown strike of 41 yards. The Panthers would score a field goal on their next possession, making the score 9-0 early in the first.

Palko finished the day 14-of-22 for 290 yards and three touchdowns.

The Penguins, however, bolstered by a huge Penguin fan base that dotted Heinz field in red, would limit the big play Pitt offense in the first half. Senior cornerback Jason Perry intercepted Palko as he threw a strike into the end zone, preventing a Pitt touchdown. Dorian Chenault came up with the next heroic play. Pitt tight end Eric Gill raced towards the end zone and dove to the goal line. Chenault jarred the ball loose sending it through the end zone for a Penguin touchback.

At halftime, Pitt led 16-0 despite out gaining the Penguins 234 yards to just 59.

Coach Jon Heacock said that the Penguins could not get any positive momentum going in their favor.

"We just couldn't get that extra bounce. We could not get any momentum," Heacock said after the game.

Heacock also credited his defense for playing tough in even tougher situations.

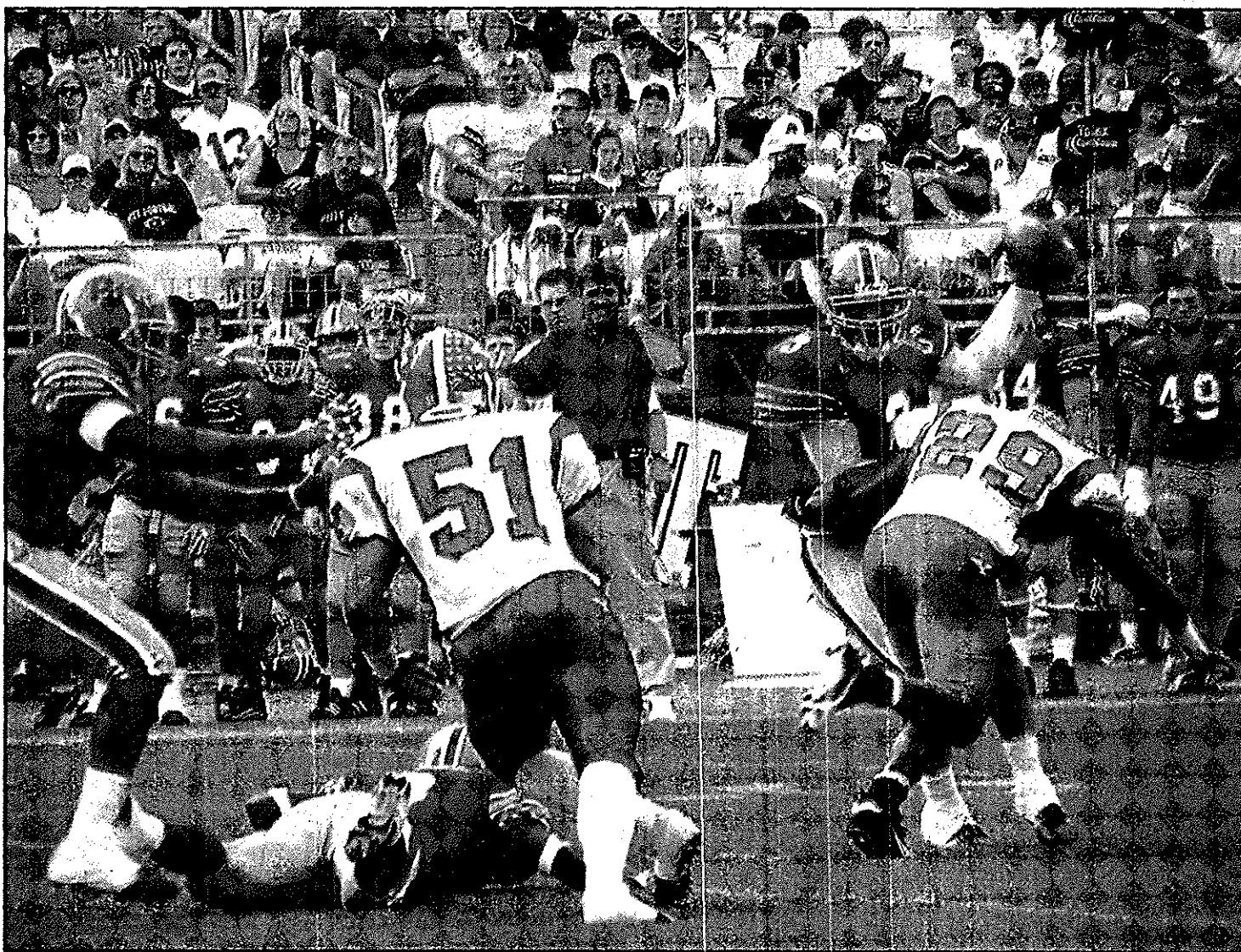
"They hung in there 16-0 at the half. We really didn't set the world on fire, but at least we were going to come out there and play."

The momentum the Penguins needed never came, as the Penguins never got over the offensive hump. The Penguins finished the day with 152 yards total offense.

The Penguins played most of the game without junior tailback Monquante Gibson, opting rather for the speedy Marcus Mason, who finished with a career-high 64 yards on 16 carries.

Heacock said that the offensive woes had more to do with the Pitt defense, than the offensive unit of the Penguins.

"We tried to get something going. Q [Monquante Gibson] was in there and didn't get anything going and we had Mason in there for a couple drives. Justin [Reams] was in there. You got to give them credit on defense," Heacock said.



ABOVE: Safety Aaron Scales (29) takes down Pitt quarterback Tyler Palko while linebacker Jeff Koval (51) pursues the play. BELOW RIGHT: Some loyal YSU fans who traveled to Heinz Field to support the Penguins. BELOW LEFT: Head coach Jon Heacock reacts to the lack of an on-field measurement during Saturday's game.

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The Panthers defense not only sullied the Penguins run game, but also forced quarterback Tom Zetts into tough situations. Zetts, who was ranked third in Division I-AA in passing percentage, completed only six passes out of 19 attempts for a season-low 29 yards, including an interception.

Zetts was behind from the start, as senior wide receiver Kyle Smith was injured

before the game, ending his streak of 25 consecutive games with a reception.

Even with a loss this week, Heacock said he is confident that the game was only beneficial to the Penguins, who begin Gateway Conference play this Saturday when they host Illinois State at Stambaugh Stadium.

When asked what the team gained from the first-

ever meeting between the Panthers and Penguins, Heacock's said YSU got a wake-up call.

"Reality. We have to get ready for the Gateway conference. This game is closer to that conference than any other game we played so far. We have to rally up and work like crazy."

Linebacker Marty Hutchinson, who tallied five solo tackles on the day, kept it

short and sweet during the post-game press conference.

"We did some good. We are going to do better next week," Hutchinson said.

The Penguins return to action Saturday when they host Illinois State. ISU is coming off of Saturday's 42-0 drubbing of Murray State. Kickoff is set for 6pm.

Call Justin Smolovich at (330) 641-3758.



YSU Sports in Brief

Courtesy of YSU Sports Information / ysusports.com

Women's tennis continues season at Bowling Green Invitational

Bowling Green — The YSU women's tennis team continued their fall campaign as they traveled to Bowling Green for a weekend invitational. The Penguins played seven rounds of singles and four rounds of doubles against universities including Bowling Green, Buffalo, Ferris State, Toledo, Wright State and Xavier.

At the No. 2 spot, YSU sophomore Emily Thayer defeated Bowling Green's Erica Wolfe 6-3, 7-5. Thayer also teamed with sophomore Michelle Fuleky at No. 2 doubles defeating Bowling Green's Andrea Meister/Andrea Volle 8-2. Whitney Thomas and Andrea Dixon competed at No. 2 doubles defeating Toledo's Sarah Thompson/Sarah Vander Molan 8-4.

The women's tennis team will travel to Hyde Park this weekend as they play in the Akron Zips Invitational.

Buzek, Cicero pace Penguins at Spiked Shoe Invitational

State College, Pa. — YSU senior Nick Buzek placed 17th to lead the men to a seventh-place finish while senior Emily Cicero was 25th for the 11th-place women's squad at the Spiked Shoe Invitational on Saturday.

Buzek covered the 5.2 mile course at Penn State in 26:26 while Cicero ran a 6K time of 22:47.

Nick Smith finished second for the men with a 25th-place time of 26:51, and Nick Kruse finished 45th in 27:31. Sophomore R.D. Goodright placed 46th in 27:44 while senior Dave Mealy finished 57th with a time of 27:49.

Gina Mavrikis was the second finisher for the women with a 55th-place time of 23:33 while Mariello Glanz placed 130th in 25:28. Freshman Amy Moore finished 151st with a time of 26:30.

The Penguins will compete at the Notre Dame Invitational on Friday at 4:15 p.m.

Soccer: YSU gets shut out by division rival Wright State

Youngstown — The Penguins could not put any points on the board in Sunday afternoon's Horizon League opening match against Wright State in the 1-0 loss.

Youngstown State (0-10 overall, 0-1 Horizon League) played strong defense against the Raiders throughout the game. Goalie Jessica Yarter stopped all of Wright State's six shots on goal in the first half.

Youngstown State's midfielder Jenna Fink took two shots as well as one shot on goal. Forward Carrie Wack also took shot on goal in the second half. The Penguins came alive with a shot by midfielder Sadie Brookman that looked like a score but was deflected off the cross bar. Yarter continued to stop the Raiders scoring attempts with seven more saves making a total of 13 saves for the game.

The Penguins next travel on Friday to New York to take on Niagara.