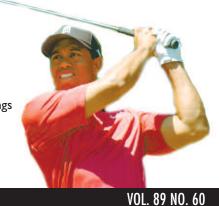
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Trustee meeting

The YSU Board of Trustees will meet at 8 a.m. Tuesday, June 19 in Room 2068 of Kilcawley Center, Thursday, June 21 in the Board Meeting Room of Tod Hall, and at 3 p.m. Friday, June 29 in the Board Meeting Room of Tod Hall.

Alumni night

YSU Alumni Night with The Mahoning Valley Scrappers will be June 25 at Eastwood Field in Niles.

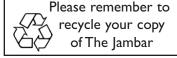
There is a picnic that starts at 5:30 p.m. and the game starts at 7.

Cost of the box seat tickets are \$8, and reservations are required.

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SOCIETY

Divided on drinking

Reactions to lowering the legal drinking age

Sarah Sole News Editor

Students and others are divided about whether a proposed law to lower the drinking age to 18 would positively affect alcohol abuse.

Founder and director of www.chooseresponsibility.org, a website promoting the proposed law, John McCardell Jr. said the current drinking age of 21 creates the least safest environment.

"They're drinking abusively because they can't drink out in the open," McCardell said, of underage youth.

People can either enforce the law or ignore it, McCardell said. "The law really poses two impossible choices." Enforcing the drinking age often forces underage drinkers to go underground, McCardell said, adding that the environment is an invitation to binge drinking. "All you're really doing is transplanting the problem."

As brand new legal adults, 18-yearolds find that one of the few rights they lack is buying beer. "This is the exception," said McCardell.

College students are not the only ones affected. Other individuals such as young people in the military or those supporting families are also adults.



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Freshman, Rachel Boris

"I think it's important to educate people no matter what."

Junior, Dave Passarelli

Education would be an important component of lowering the drinking

Alcohol education could begin at age 14, continue at ages 16 and 18, and be part of the curriculum for senior year of high school, McCardell said. Additionally, there could be graduation course options.

After high school, students would complete a course that would involve victims of alcohol abuse. "It would be

a very serious and thorough education program," he said.

The current law does not allow legal guardians to play their parental roles, McCardell said, but new policy could change that.

Before 18-year-olds graduate from high school, they would only be allowed to drink at their homes in the presence of parents, McCardell said,

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YSU

Lab fees leave students feeling spent

Mike Minotti JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR

"I wish it was just part of the tuition," said senior Christy Blazek about lab fees. "What I can't see won't hurt me."

Chemistry chair Daryl Mincey wants to assure students that funds collected from lab fess are well spent. "We're conscious of the students' concern of where their lab fees are going," said Mincey.

Mincey agreed it would be beneficial for fees to be combined with tuition, but he said the state prohibits it. "The State of Ohio has killed us with normal budgets," he said. "We need lab fees to survive."

Besides standard tuition, students have to worry about paying for parking, books, and possibly room and board. Then there are lab fees, which students pay to spend time in labs that house computers or science equipment.

According to Mincey, the money from lab fees is primarily used to update and maintain labs. The labs in the chemistry department are expensive to update and maintain. Centrifuges can cost up to \$15,000 each.

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YSU

Strickland appoints former Senator Meshel to Board of Trustees

Adrienne Sabo EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Youngstown State University Board of Trustees will resume meetings Tuesday with the first scheduled meeting of the month and a new addition to the board.

Ohio Governor Strickland appointed former Ohio State Senator Harry Meshel to the YSU Board of Trustees, replacing William Bresnahan.

"I will give it my best for the community, the students and the school," Meshel said.

As a trustee he wants to see an increase in students from the area attending YSU. "We are producing bright kids," he said and the university should be providing incentives to those potential students.

Meshel also said he hopes to fulfill the mission of YSU and work to create a wholesome environment for students willing to learn.

John Pogue, chairperson of the Board of Trustees said Meshel has a significant background with the university. While Pogue has yet to meet Meshel, he said the new trustee "will be a great addition to the board."

Meshel is a Youngstown College graduate and also taught business administration and social sciences at YSU.

"Youngstown created a great foundation for a lot of people," Meshel said.

Meshel described his years as a student at Youngstown College as "a lot of fun" and while he worked full-time throughout school he still served as president of the Student Council for two terms and vice president of the sen-

YSU President David Sweet said he is "pleased to have to opportunity to work with Meshel" again. Sweet worked with Meshel as state development director in the 1970s.

Meshel said he is happy to work with Sweet again and with colleagues on the board.

"He'll get right into the business of the board," Sweet said, and that Meshel will bring additional depth to the

Sweet said Meshel has a longstanding commitment to the university and has contributed in many ways.

To recognize Meshel's efforts in securing funds for the construction of a technology center at YSU, the university named the building Meshel

The Youngstown native also helped to establish the Northeast Ohio Universities College of Medicine in Rootstown, Ohio and the Youngstown Historical Center of Industry and Labor.

Meshel served as chairperson of the Ohio Democratic Party and served 23 years in the Ohio Senate.

Sweet and Pogue said the university's budget is a board priority, but both acknowledged that nothing can be decided until the state completes its budget.

Sweet said the board will be discussing enrollment, the community college issue, storm damage from June 8 and reports on fundraising for the Centennial Capital Campaign.

YSU



Photos courtesy of Matt Zeller

Branches from a tree on campus fell onto a light post, damaging it during a storm on Friday June, 9.

Trees, Maag's roof damaged during storm

Sarah Sole News Editor

Youngstown State University campus community is dealing with the damage caused to campus grounds after a storm

came through the area Friday. About 20 whole trees came down in the storm, with 37 more removed later because of damage. "That's very significant," said Vince Sacco, director of facilities.

The fenced area near the tennis court was also damaged by the storm, Sacco said.

Flooding in buildings was limited, Sacco said, although a third of a carpet had water damage in room 105 in Beeghly Center. "It really wasn't that bad."

The storm blew off a 40-by-60 foot section of Maag Library's penthouse roof, Sacco said. Currently, there is temporary roofing over the section and the university is waiting on the insurance company to evaluate pricing. "We're secure right now," Sacco said.

The roof over Maag was above the elevators, Sacco said, and after the storm, the middle elevator car was not operating and will need a card replaced in order to work properly. The card probably blew a circuit because of dampness, he said.

"This was probably the worst, groundswise," Sacco said, of the storm.

Paul Kobulnicky, executive director of Maag Library, said the library lost approxi-



Many trees on Lincoln Avenue were damaged by

mately 12 books to water damage and that people in the building were led to the basement for safety.

John Young, associate director for Kilcawley Center, said although the storm was terrible, it could not have happened at a better time.

Since it was late in the afternoon, not too many people were around. A conference that 300 people attended had just finished about a half hour before the

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YSU

Penguin athletes successful on and off the field

Lou Gattozzi JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR

Youngstown State University athletes scored on and off the field spring semester, achieving one of the highest graduation rates among college athletes at 93 percent.

Thirty-six student athletes earned a 4.0 grade-point average, including junior volleyball player Jessica Fraley.

"It's a great honor to be recognized for receiving a 4.0," Fraley said. "Not many people understand the demand student athletes

Dedicating time to practice and competition is one of the requirements. "Many times I do not get to bed until well after midnight and have to wake up at 6 a.m. for practice," she said.

The demand for scholar athletes to perform

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Senior, Jessica Fraley



in the classroom is very high. Help from peers and the advisors of the Jermaine Hopkins Center for Academics make it possible to meet the demands.

Athletic Academic Advisor Terry Samuels offers guidance to athletes. "We help keep the student athletes on track, but they have to do the work themselves."

"The days are over when student athletes could take any course and be eligible,"

Samuels said. "Now they have to make sure to choose a major, and have a certain percentage complete towards their degree in order to be eligible."

Out of 331 athletes at YSU, 166 earned a GPA of 3.0 or better in the spring semester.

The cumulative GPA across 16 teams was 2.91, with the women's tennis team earning the highest GPA of 3.58, and the women's golf team earning a 3.39 grade-point average.

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Each computer costs \$1,000. Computer maintenance is a hot topic for junior Kelly Bobo. "I get upset at the math lab fees,"

she said. "Half of the computers

don't even work in those labs." Roy John, instructor of computer science and information systems, said that while the university attends to broken computers, budget restraints affect the time it takes to fix or replace broken equipment.

Between 40 and 50 people were in

the basement for about 40 to 45 min-

utes, Young said, "Everybody was

assistant to the executive director of

student life, said after the sirens went

off, YSU Police Lieutenant Mark

Adovasio went to all the offices and

Kirkland said he took a quick look

outside and saw the wind blowing

leaves everywhere. "The rain was

outside KC Food Court, he said. He

could hear hail plummeting on the dome over the food court. As the

storm wore on, he began to hear

world was being blown apart,"

Kirkland said, adding that since he

could not see anything outside, he

was simply left to imagine the

destruction the storm caused.

"It just sounded like the whole

other debris on the dome as well.

just being driven down in sheets." Everyone was standing in the hall

told people to go downstairs.

Gary Kirkland, administrative

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storm hit, he said.

very calm."

Smaller items also add up. The beakers and containers used in everyday lab work must be replaced when they break.

Other fees are less obvious. "We have to pay for the recycling of our own used chemicals," Mincey said.

Certain equipment is especially expensive. A nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer housed in Ward Beecher Hall costs around half a million dollars.

Mincey argues that students are getting a lot out of these labs. "For a \$50 lab fee, a student has access to around \$20,000 of equipment," Mincey said.

lab equipment for research that will get them published in a scientific journal.

Freshman YSU students used

Not all labs have highly advanced nuclear equipment many simply house computer workstations and a printer, but even those need maintenance. Printer paper can cost up to \$6,000 a year.

The Computer Science and Information Systems lab computers are scheduled for updates every three years that add new software and potentially new hardware. John said lab fees are used to update hardware and software in the labs, with the software being especially expensive.

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like the behind-the-wheel training of drivers' education.

The new privileges would not come without penalties

Individuals that violate drinking laws in their youth forfeit eligibility for the educational program, McCardell said. If they drink illegally during the program, they could flunk out.

"You can't guarantee that every student in such a situation will take it seriously," he said.

Although the proposed program aims to control binge drinking among youth, some worry that it would intensify the problem.

Juanita Richardson, adolescent therapist at Neil Kennedy Recovery Clinic, believes that lowering the legal limit would simply foster drinking at a younger age.

To give permission for an unhealthy behavior is never smart, Richardson said. "I think that we're

Psychologists still view 21-year-olds as adolescents, Richardson said. "The key is to educate the parents." Communication between parents and children is necessary, she said. "At least they are able to come to us to talk about it."

Others were wary about the proposal.

YSU Junior Dalene Scott thought the idea was ridiculous.

Scott also is critical of the alcohol education courses. People offer courses for drunk driving and those are not effective, she said.

"If they have a strong enough will they're gonna do what they want to do," Scott said of youth, adding that peer pressure also plays a role.

Freshman Rachel Boris was also skeptical, adding that alcohol readiness depends on each person, and that the law does little to change that. "They're gonna do what they want no matter what," she said.

Students pay attention to graphic images in the classroom, Boris said, and they could also benefit from reading accounts from underage students punished for drinking illegally.

Junior Dave Passarelli said 18-year-olds fool around with alcohol and get accustomed to it, while 21-year-olds know their limits.

"I think it's important to educate people no matter what," he said.

Lauren Tanner, a freshman, said human-interest stories along with graphic images often catch students' attention. "Everything is violence, guts and blood," she said, but the education does not work. She compared it to drivers' education: people do not listen, and making the training mandatory turns people against what they might learn.

Punishment is not severe enough for underage drinking, she said.

Tanner also agreed with Boris about alcohol readiness.

"It's a maturity level per person," she said, although judging maturity is hard to do.

Some students thought Americans would need a chance to get used to the new law.

Senior James McCormick said that it would be a rough transition, and it might take a decade for problems associated with the change to subside. The people of countries with lower drinking limits are used to the law, he said, so they do not have such

Adam Gray, a senior, agreed.

"Initially it would cause a lot of problems," Gray said, adding that countries in Europe have a lower

"I don't think it's an education issue," Gray said, adding that kids often need to see dramatic images, such as the mock up accidents the EMS and police show students.

"I think there'd still be a lot of drunk driving," Gray said.

Other students suggested ways to improve the proposed law.

Senior J.D. Sheppard said the proposed law would probably make things worse, because the 18year-olds could begin purchasing alcohol for 15year-olds. One way around that issue would be to allow 18-year-olds to drink without allowing them to legally purchase alcohol.

And the underage are not the only ones to abuse alcohol, Sheppard said. "You can be 30 years old and still binge drink."

T.J. Christie, a freshman, said the legal drinking age could be lowered to 19, as in Canada. "It's not that big of a deal over there."

"I don't know if there is a solution," Christie said, of binge drinking.

McCardell said his proposal is receiving more support than people might assume.

Currently, any state that makes the drinking age lower than 21 years of age loses 10% of federal highway money, McCardell said. The current Congress is unlikely to change this de facto drinking age, McCardell thinks change could come with a new

"It may take longer than that," McCardell said, "but we're patient."

"Our strategy right now is simply to place the information to the public," he said, adding that alcohol abuse will always be a problem for some. "We don't claim that our proposal will end that."

"We are not advocates of drinking," McCardell said. "You choose."

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OUR SIDE

Drinker's ed

Trashed.

Wasted.

Plastered. Smashed.

Tanked.

The more synonyms, the greater the cultural meaning — if this is true, then surely our culture glamorizes alcohol use. It should come as no surprise that young Americans are stuck on binge drinking. Would lowering the legal limit help?

John McCardell Jr.'s plan to lower the legal limit to 18 and require alcohol education similar to driver's ed would allow people to drink younger, and hopefully, smarter.

Will teens drink regardless of the legal age? Probably. Will education on the risks of binge drinking help adventurous souls make sound decisions for themselves? Perhaps.

The part of McCardell's plan involving family communication deserves attention, too.

While some parents might not feel comfortable letting their 18-year-olds drink in their presence, ignoring the issue creates larger problems. Whether or not to drink is a complex issue that needs more than a simple "yes" or "no" from parents.

There must be a middle ground. Rather than agonizing over the appropriate legal drinking age, we need to realize that maturity is not uniform. Some college students are not sufficiently educated on alcohol use and abuse. Others know their limits.

The legal process of lowering the age limit could take years, but implementing a new education program that starts in high school could happen faster with greater benefits.

Successful education would need to be graphic enough to catch young people's attention — textbook material or lectures would not work. The program needs to appeal to future, over-stimulated generations, to reach them in a medium they understand.

Choices are sometimes only as good as the learning that informs them. The drinking habits of young adults will vary, but the education they receive should not.

Tipsy.

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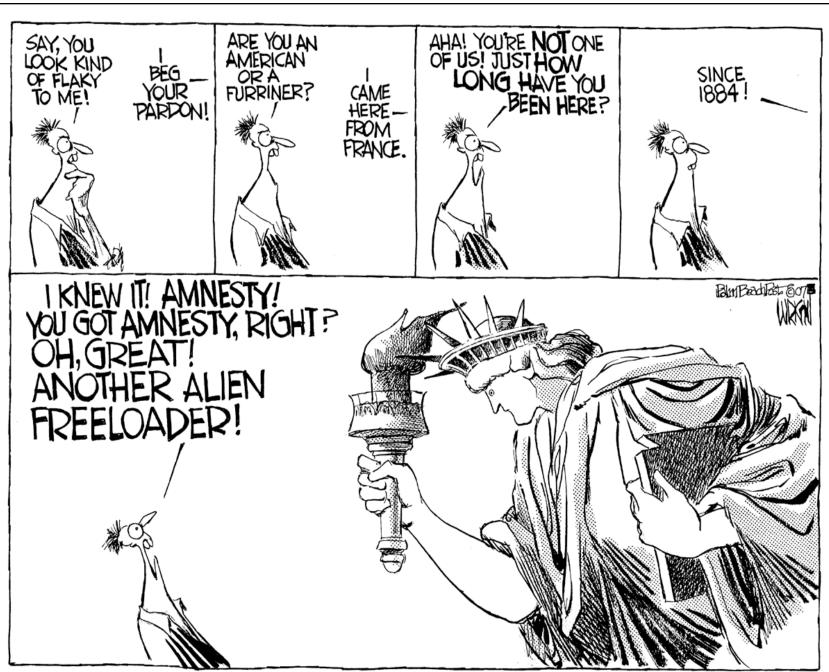
Alcohol is too big of an issue to ignore.

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COMMENTARY

Keeping the music alive

McClatchy MCT

Every time a song is played on the radio - whether it's Internet, satellite or old-fashioned terrestrial (AM/FM) radio - the broadcast- drive many of them immediately er is required to pay a royalty fee out of business. for use of that music. Fair so far. How the fees are assessed, however, is not so fair.

Terrestrial radio only pays royalties to composers. Performers are not compensated, because radio stations argue that drawing listeners to their music is essentially free advertising.

But Internet and satellite radio broadcasters have to pay both the composers and the performers. Satellite radio does this by paying a flat fee of 7.5 percent of revenue. Until now, small Internet radio broadcasters, too, have been able to pay royalties as a percentage of revenue.

In March, however, the Copyright Royalty Board scrapped that model, instituting a per-song, per-listener basis for

royalties, set to take effect July 15. It would be retroactive to January 2006. The net effect? Royalty rates will rise between 300 and 1,200 percent for Internet broadcasters, which will most likely

A bipartisan effort to keep that from happening is being led by Rep. Donald Manzullo, R-Ill., and Rep. Jay Inslee, D-Wash., and Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., and Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan. Their legislation would set Internet radio royalty rates at 7.5 percent of revenue, the same as those of satellite radio.

John Simson, executive director of SoundExchange, the royaltycollecting arm of the Recording Industry Association of America, argues against that legislation, saying that the CRB's rules protect artists. Not all artists, though, want to be protected that way. According to a letter that 18 jazz luminaries sent to Congress, 37 percent of the music played on Internet radio comes from inde-

pendent artists and labels. On traditional broadcast radio, that falls to 5 percent. So fledgling musicians, who often find it nearly impossible to gain airtime on backing of a major record comparadio to help cultivate a wider audience.

Streaming audio of religious services, which intersperse sermons with gospel music, could also be silenced. National Public Radio might do away with Webcasting its jazz programming. Soldiers, many of whom use Web simulcasts of hometown radio stations to keep up with the goings-on while they're posted abroad, would lose out as well if the number of Internet radio out-

The jazz musicians, in their letter to Congress, said: "Please think how our uniquely American music would be different today if those rural and poor radio stations that lost money playing (Louis) Armstrong and Leadbelly

were taxed so exorbitantly that they were forced NOT to play their music. That is exactly what we are facing today."

In a letter to Simson, Rep. commercial radio without the Howard Berman, D-Calif., and Rep. Howard Coble, R-N.C., the ny, increasingly rely on Internet chair and the ranking minority member of the Judiciary Committee's subcommittee dealing with this issue, mince few words in urging SoundExchange "to immediately initiate goodfaith private negotiations with small commercial and noncommercial Webcasters with the shared goal of ensuring their continued operations and viability."

> They add that Congress will exercise its authority and ability "to impose a resolution if the parties prove unable or unwilling to voluntarily address our concerns."If SoundExchange doesn't move expeditiously, Congress will need to act _ and fast. Otherwise, July 15, in the words of Don McLean, will indeed be the day the music died.

COMMENTARY

Sex, violence, cigarettes

McClatchy MCT

Public health-wise, you have to applaud the movie ratings people's decision to stick "Pervasive Smoking" labels on films aimed at young people that graphically depict the practice of using tobacco.

This is not censorship and this is not even the slippery slope toward censorship. Studies do indeed show that young people are sometimes moved to light up once they see an actor do so in a pervasive-smoking picture.

The point is that smoking is empirically b-a-d, and it will not

appreciably compromise an auteur's artistic vision if the leading man and leading lady do without cigarettes.

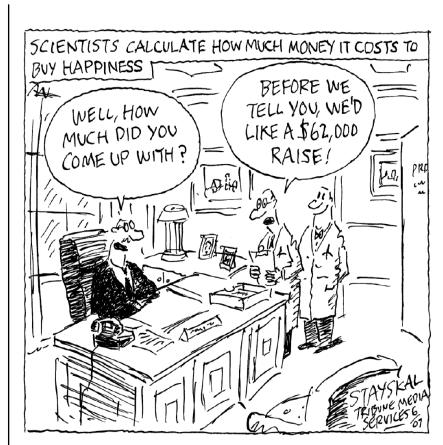
And while we're on the subject, the movie ratings people could patrol content more conscientiously in other ways and apply appropriate warning labels. "Improbable Premise."

"Excessive Chain-Sawing of Human Limbs."

"Overreliance Upon Flatulence as an Alleged Comedic Device."

Or, in the case of Michael Moore films, "Gratuitous Half-Truth and Innuendo." Young people would well benefit from such guidelines.

Old people, too, for that matter.





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SPORTS

U.S. Open Championship swings into Pittsburgh

Warren native Jason Kokrac among the competitors

OAKMONT COUNTR

Jen Brown
Jambar Contributor

Hosting the PGA U.S. Open Championship is nothing new for the popular Oakmont Country Club. This is the Pittsburgh-area club's eighth U.S. Open, and this year a player from the Mahoning Valley is competing.

107th

U.S. Open

"I will be watching to see how well Jason Kokrac plays," said YSU men's golf coach Tony Joy.

Kokrac is an amateur golfer from Warren, Ohio and a recent graduate of Xavier University, where he was a four-year letter-winner on Xavier's men's golf team.

Kokrac played well at the June 4 qualifying game in Cincinnati, shooting rounds of 69 and

68 to tie for the best 36-hole score of the day.

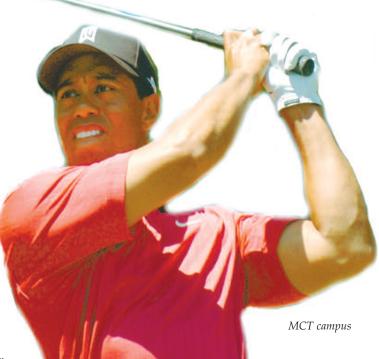
The qualifiers are only the beginning. The U.S. Open was last held at the Oakmont in 1994, and this year the course will be even more difficult.

Oakmont may be the most difficult course in North America, with its hard and slick greens, tight fairways, and the famous Church Pew bunker: a 100-yard golf hazard of grassy trenches.

These obstacles earned Oakmont fifth ranking in Golf Digest's "America's Top 100 Courses."

"It should be a great tournament considering how difficult the course is playing," Joy said.

"I'm still trying to get tickets," Joy said of the sold-out championship. The U.S. Open will broadcast through June 18 on NBC and ESPN.



Tiger Woods watches his drive from the fifth tee box during the final round of the Wachovia Championship at Quail Hollow Club in Charlotte, North Carolina, Sunday, May 6, 2007.

REVIEW

Longest par 3 (288 yards) in U.S. Open history

What happens in Vegas should stay in Vegas

Robert Beohm

JAMBAR CONTRIBUTOR

This third and hopefully final heist in the "Ocean's Eleven" series is a self-pitying parody of honoramong-thieves.

While the Ocean's crew is out for revenge, Danny Ocean (George Clooney) and his gang seem completely uninterested in personally profiting from the diamonds they have a chance to steal.

Ocean and his rat-pack of altruistic cons seem uninterested in swag, except when it comes to the spending for the heist. The gang decides to use one of the drills used in France on the Chunnel — and they pay \$36 million to replace the equipment when it goes kaput.

After all the cash outlays, the final heist seems unlikely to cover expenses. But not to worry, this is a story about friendship, and old fashioned loyalty done Frank Sinatra style — not good accounting.

Each character in "Ocean's

Thirteen" seems bred for just one specific task in the heist. Not only does this fail to explore human emotion, but the characters are unable to avoid predictability.

There are a few comic scenes, but they feel too rushed, forced, and disjointed to be funny. Matt Damon's staid acting style and lack of good



MCT campus

Matt Damon, George Clooney and Brad Pitt star in "Ocean's Thirteen."

comedic timing botches a potentially funny scene about a prosthetic nose coming off.

Abigail Sponder (Ellen Barkin) is uncompromising in her performance as both stickler assistant to the villain and love-crazed seducer of Matt Damon. Barkin shines like the sparkling Tiffany necklaces in the diamond room in her boss's casinos.

Saul Bloom's much-too-brief comic appearance says it all: like the movie, his character is a predictable and tedious attempt to recapture the glitz of a Vegas that once was.

At \$37 million, the first-weekend gross reflects the drawing power of the all-star cast. Do yourself a favor and go to the beach instead.



Recent graduate Brandon Masterman practices fencing in Beeghly Center's Upper Deck with Katherine Durrell, fencing instructor and faculty advisor to the YSU fencing club. Masterman said he can see progress after taking private lessons. "Mrs. Durrell is a really great instructor and coach," he said. "She knows how to address my individual problems as a fencer and discuss them in an understandable way."



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5:30 PM
Washington, PA
Consol Energy Park

High School Musical June 15 and 16 Pittsburgh, PA Benedum Center

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Sun. June 17
7:30 PM
Cleveland, Ohio Plain
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