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Orchestral Enjoyment



MUSIC DAY AT YSU: Trumpet, trombone, saxophone and other horn players were only a few of the members of the YSU orchestra, which performed in the Musical Showcase Sunday.

Earth Walk 2000 teaches students and helps the planet

■ The event is open to all schools and organizations willing to participate.

Nancy Duzzny Contributing Writer

If spring has students looking out the window more often than at books, they can give in to the urge to commune with nature at Earth Walk 2000.

The five-mile walk will begin noon Saturday at Springfield Intermediate School on Route 170 in New Middletown. The participants will walk around the school and finish at St. Paul The Apostle Catholic Church, also on Route 170.

The event is sponsored by the Springfield Local Schools Environmental Club. Anyone can participate by calling Patty Ivan, faculty adviser for the Environmental

Club, at 542-3624. Ivan said, "All schools, organizations and environmental clubs are invited."

According to Ivan, The Environmental Club is made up of eighth through 10th grade students. Members learn about the environment and educate others about environmental issues. They participate in recycling and activities at the Land Lab, a hands-on nature reserve located at the Springfield Intermediate School.

The idea for Earth Walk 2000 came from Robyn Kralik, an eighth grader at Springfield Intermediate School. Kralik said her goal for the event is "to open people's eyes to environmental issues" such as recycling and endangered species. Earth Walk 2000 will raise money to benefit the club and another cause, although the club has not de-

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Candle confusion ignites controversy in Wick House

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Several students were given violations for candle possession over spring break.

EMILY D. CRONK News Editor

Thile YSU students basked in the sun light and partied on the beaches in remote locations, YSU officials were busy going through the dorms around campus offenses.

The largest offense over spring break for Wick residents was having candles inside their dorm rooms. But the rules regarding candle possession are still confusing for several students on cam-

pus. Even though the candles were unburned, students were still written up for having them inside their rooms for decoration.

"I found out as soon as I walked in the door from spring break that I had been written up for violating a candle policy," said Becky Tanner, sophomore, social work. "It was a stupid thing to hear about when I got back because I didn't know the policy changed last year as far as students being able to have candles in their dorm rooms. Just as long as the wicks weren't burned we all thought it was fine. And on top of that, I was never written up over winter break, and I had candles in my dorm room then as well."

The inspections done on campus are announced through letters that are sent to every student in the dorm system at YSU.

"There are never any unannounced inspections unless a person is known to be a frequent violator," said Jack Fahey, director of Housing Services. "As far as the inspections that took and writing multiple violation slips for various place over spring break, those are nothing new.

All residents are told that their rooms will be looked into to ensure the safety of the buildings while they are away on spring break."

For any

spring break,

Becky Tanner Sophomore, Social Work long breaks in the quarters, such as

each room must have a checklist completed and signed by each of the people living there. This list contains pertinent information that states certain things have been done around the dorm rooms. Vacuuming and unplugging any refrigerators or other electrical appliances are among several items on the list.

"We've had a few fires on campus and most involved already know its a nationwide problem, and we don't want it happening again as long as it can be prevented," said Fahey. "Too

Wick

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YSU features teaching workshops

Thursday, April 15, 1999

■ Both workshops will take place April 22.

CINDY MILLER

Assistant News Editor

Some insight may be shed on serious questions educators have pondered for years. The Center for Teaching in Learning, with the support of The College of Arts and Sciences will sponsor two workshops with Louis Schmier, an author and professor who takes a unique approach to education.

Schmier, author of "Random Thoughts" and "Random Thoughts II" and professor at Valdosta University in Georgia, will instruct two workshops, both on April 22. The first session will be 9 a.m. to noon at the DeBartolo Stadium Club. The second session will be 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at The McKay Auditorium in the College of Education.

Dr. Ray Beiersdorfer, geology, said Schmier will share his unique perceptions and thoughts on teaching with the participants. The workshops would be helpful for teachers, professors, education students and students who eventually want to teach in their disciplines, he said. He said participants should attend with an open mind.

Beiersdorfer said, "[Schmier] is the kind of teacher I aspire to be. He literally loves everyone in his class, and he supports them and challenges them to be the best person they can be."

In an e-mail message, Schmier called his workshop, "The Humanity of Teaching," and said, "Good teaching does not emanate from information or from techniques. Good teaching is rooted in the heart and soul of the person. It is our human character, our values and perceptions and preconceptions and character and personality that determines our effectiveness far more than our knowledge and methods."

Schmier said the workshops will include a "series of exercises to get a glimpse of who we are and who we bring into the classroom."

Beiersdorfer has been communicating with Schmier since meeting him a few years ago. He said he has often tried to get Schmier's advice, but since he perceives teaching as a personal thing, he is reluctant to tell people what to do.

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Motivational writer to do book signing in Kilcawley

"A Season of Success" is the first work by writer Elaine Greaves.

SABRINA SCHROEDER Assistant News Editor

Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice Elaine Greaves will sign copies of her book, "A Season of Success," from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. they get one thing out of it that is book hit the shelves at the end of

Tuesday in the Kilcawley bookstore.

The book is Greaves' first published work, which is a motivational text with both biblical and spiritual perspectives.

It will be available for \$12.95 along with free refreshments.

"The book includes biblical references, and there is a workbook section after each section. These sections ask questions to stimulate where one is personally and help them move toward where they need to go," Greaves said.

Greaves used her own personal experiences as well as the life experiences of others and family when writing the book.

"The book is an overall re-

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cided which specific cause will benefit from the fund-raiser. She said the club will probably donate funds to the Ohio Division of Wildlife. Kralik also said she is really excited about [Earth Walk] and the opportunity to be in-

minder to remember that we have was something I wanted to do now more control over our thoughts after being a lawyer for 20 years than we think and that we need to and teaching for five," Greaves recognize our high and low points," Greaves said. "People will not agree with everything, but if

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talk about an issue that many

Greaves is encouraged by the

response she has received since the February.

"There has been quite a bit of interest. I have done several radio interviews, have scheduled appearances and will be in several local bookstores to do

Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice

Elaine Greaves

helpful to them, then it is a suc-

The book was published by an independent publisher — therefore it is not available nationwide. There are several cities in Ohio, Florida, New York and Washington, D.C. that will be selling the book. It is also available on the Internet at www.amazon.com.

"Writing was a great way for me to get away from legal issues and talk about an issue that many thought I wouldn't write about. It

Wildlife, said there are several local programs that need funding, should the money be donated to the Ohio Division of Wildlife.

There are hatching programs for aspreys and trumpeter swans and endangered birds in this area cies. Springfield Intermediate that can be re-introduced to the

of Wildlife, two responsibilities of vironmental Club uses the lab for Dan Kunz, Ohio Division of the Division are identifying and projects and experiments.

signings," Greaves said.

She has also been contacted by several churches that will distribute the book to other parts of the country.

"Sometimes when people are going through stressful times, they get down and aren't able to understand what is going on. They don't want to get to the point where all hope is lost, and they need to realize that you can get through it by using spiritual experience," Greaves said.

restoring endangered species in Ohio. Money donated to the Endangered Species and Wildlife Diversity Fund helps to restore land and water that will provide a home for many of the endangered spe-School has a land lab that will be part of the route for Earth Walk According to the Ohio Division 2000. According to Kralik, the En-

Workshop

Continued from page 1 He would rather have students and teachers figure things out for themselves, Beiersdorfer said.

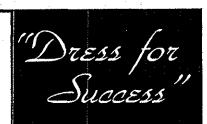
Other YSU faculty and staff are familiar with Schmier's work. The workshop was suggested by Dr. Janice Elias, assistant provost'splanning, Beiersdorfer said.

Schmier has taught in the history department at Valdosta since 1967.

His two books contain "self-reflective and self-examining" thoughts. He compiles them after taking a 6-mile race walk every other day. His random thoughts are also posted on the Web at www.halcyon.com/arborhts/ louis.html.

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casting Call for MODELS



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We are looking for a few good men and women to model clothes from the Eastwood Mall on May 5, 1999. The program is called "Dress for Success." It will be held on the YSU campus in the Chestnut Room, located in Kilcawley Center. Models need not have previous experience but must be avaliable for the

> you are interested please attend the Casting Call" in the Ohio Room located in Kilcawley Center on Tuesday, April 20, 1999, between the hours of 3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

If you have questions please contact William Blake or Greg Gulas in the Student Activities Office on the 2nd floor of Kilcawley Center, or call (330) 742-3575.

Casting Call Schedule

2:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. - Registration 3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Information Session 3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Modeling Demonstration 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Auditions

Note: A List of the selected models will be posted in the Student Activities Office, located on the 2nd floor of Kilcawley Center on Friday April 23, 1999 at 10:00 a.m.

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Reception and book signing will follow poetry reading

■ Naomi Shihab Nye and James Alan McPherson are among upcoming readers.

CINDY MILLER

Assistant News Editor

As part of its ongoing series, the Poetry Center will present a reading by internationally known poet, fiction writer and essayist, Naomi Shihab Nye, 7:30 p.m. April 21, in the DeBartolo Auditorium.

Dr. Steven Reese, English, said, "She has been published in almost every genre - fiction, poetry, essays. She's done everything. People who are just interested in writing would profit from hearing

The purpose of a poetry reading exceeds entertainment. Reese said, "We want to make students aware of what is going on in contemporary writing in the United States and create the sense that it's not just something in their textbooks. We bring the writers to the students."

The audience can interact with Nye during a reception period and book signing after the reading. Nye's newest book, "Fuel," is available at the YSU bookstore and will also be available at the read-

Writing about her inspiration, Nye said, "Whenever people have asked, 'Where do you get ideas to write about?' I wonder, 'Where do

Reese said it is difficult to pin-

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Dr. Steven Reese

work. Nye has written, "My poems and stories often begin with the voices of our neighbors, mostly Mexican Americans, always inventive and surprising. I never get tired of mixtures."

Nye has written several books, including, "Benito's Dream Bottle," "Lullaby Raft," "Sitti's Secrets" and a novel, "Habibi." She has edited two collections of poetry, "This Same Sky" and "The Tree Is Older Than You Are."

Two poetry books are now available, "Red Suitcase" and "Words Under the Words: Selected Poems," "Never in a Hurry: Essays on People and Places" will be available soon.

Her work has been published in anthologies and textbooks. Nye was awarded three Pushcart Prizes, two Texas Institute of Letters Poetry Prizes, the Charity Randall Prize for Spoken Poetry and the and time for his reading has not yet point one central theme in her I.B. Lavan Award from the Acad-

emy of American Poets.

The Poetry center sponsors three readings per quarter, but they are not limited to poetry.

Reese said they have sponsored an Irish storyteller, fiction writers and even a lecturer on women's tattooing.

Reese said the poetry readings seem to draw the most people, about 200 to 300 depending on what else is going on around campus. Although Reese chooses who will read, he receives many suggestions from his colleagues. Reese said he seeks timely work and emphasizes diversity.

African-American fiction writer, James Alan McPherson, will read sometime this quarter. Reese said. McPherson is a Pulitzer Prize winner. His latest memoir, "Crab Cakes," received terrific reviews, Reese said. A date

Book Check



INVENTORY: Shawn Blohm, junior, education, checks the book inventory in the YSU Bookstore Wednesday CHAD E. HOLDEN.

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EDITORIAL

Immigrant should not be deported

America the beautiful, land of opportunity and prosperity. From the start, America has proudly asked for the weak, hungry, poor, tired and tearning masses of the world. But what do we do when they get here? As evident by the trials of one Mexican immagrant, not everyone knocking at America's doors are welcomed with open arms. Eduardo Portiflo came to this country several years ago as a younger man in search of a better life and prosperity, like the thousands of immigrants who find their way to America each year. He ran into problems however --- committing armed robbery, and spending time in jail. After being released. Portillo found a better life and started living the American dream. He got married, had a child and holds a full-time job. He wanted more than just to live the American dream, he wanted the full package. So, 20 years after coming to the United States, he decided to apply for citizenship. This is where his problems began. It is law in the United States that anyone having committed a crime and applied for citizenship, can -and probably will --- be immediately deported. Portillo committed a crime in his younger years and served his time. He now sits in a Texas prison awaiting deportation decisions from authorities. In this country, we shoot for the rehabilitation of those who have strayed from the acceptable norms of society. We praise those who live the life of the American family. We embrace all who love America. and want to be counted as one of her own. Portillo has exibited all of these qualities. It would be contradictary and just plain wrong to deny someone citizenship for one act of indesection. so many years ago, especially since he has served the required time under law for his crime. The law is clear on requirements for citizenship and; being a nation of laws, we must adhere to the laws that govern us. But doesn't it make sense to consider these applications on a case-by-case basis - allowing room for special cases. If we truly believe in rehabilitation and a society that embraces all the people of the world, then we must look at situations such as the Portillo case as

THROUGH EBONY EYES



QUANTIA D. WATSON Staff Writer

Prison figures are astounding

I made an astounding discovery are more often tried in federal courts. while searching the Internet. I ran across a report called "Young Black Americans and the Criminal Justice System: Five Years Later." Apparently, The Sentencing Project in Washington did some research on the rise in prison population. The figures were astounding.

In a five year period, there was an elevation of more than 13,000 white men in prison. Worse, was the staggering increase of nearly 60,000 black men.

What do you suppose could cause black men to be incarcerated nearly five times more than white men? Two words — racism and prejudice.

In the April 3 issue of Pittsburgh Courier, Tony Jones wrote, "Police blame the quick-buck escape from poverty offered by the crack trade for the alarming increase, but admit that they focus on black communities despite studies that show whites use more drugs that blacks."

Jones said sentences for blacks often equaled 100 times more severe punishment for crack cocaine versus whites who handle the powder version.

Let me get this straight; A white man on his way to the drug house to turn his cocaine into "rock" form, is better than a black man leaving the drug house already "rocked up?" Obviously, the long arm of the law

tend to go to state courts while blacks. up.

The University of Georgia has proven that blacks have been sentenced to an average of six months longer for the same (non drug-related) crimes."

It is estimated that by the year 2001, 1 million blacks will be behind bars. Why? Let's dig deep into the hippocampus and recall two words: racism and prejudice.

I have received letters from readers asking, "What about racial equality?" Well, what about it? Does it sound like things are equal? If so, clean your ears. Of course, the question was in reference to last week's column, but the principle is the same. There is no racial equality.

Things have defnitely improved since my people were slaves. But just because I am out of the cotton field, doesn't mean I am out of the woods.

I have a hunch some people like to see us cuffed and chained. That's why they make sure so many of us stay in prison. Lest we not forget our "real" station in life is to be subservient and submissive. Some people still believe it's the way things ought to be.

I am not so ignorant as to assume black people should not be punished for their crimes. I am arguing when a black man and a white man with similar criminal backgrounds commit the same crime, each man should receive the same sentence.

The reason that doesn't happen is In closing, Jones added, "Whites simple. It's called oppression. Look it

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Pregnancy Resource Centers discuss all possible choices with women

opportunities to show that we really believe in all on

the letter by Jean Engle, in the informed decisions about their April 1 issue regarding pregnancies. Pregnancy Resource Centers.

is the local member of the Centers are anti-choice, when in Pregnancy Resource Centers. fact we do discuss all choices Engle is not entirely accurate in available to women.

her letter. do provide information and edu- not refer for abortion. We do not cation on all options, including abortion, to women facing unexpected pregnancies.

We will discuss adoption, foster care and single parenting options with women. We do educate women about fetal development and abortion procedures and possible risks and complications of abortion in order to

This letter is in response to empower women to make

It is interesting that Engle The Crisis Pregnancy Center claims Pregnancy Resource

Engle is correct that Pregnancy Resource Centers Pregnancy Resource Centers do need to. The abortion industry advertises its services quite extensively.

> Sadly, there are many people such as Engle who promote abortion as the only choice.

Sheila Williams Crisis Pregnancy Center Executive Director

Consider people, not their skin color

I just finished reading the commentary "Why do black men date white women?" in the April 6 issue of The Jambar, and it left a there are people out there that have very disturbing feeling in my stomach.

First of all, I take great offense to the comment that white women are given "Daddy's credit card" to pay for school. I am a full-time college student, I work two jobs and I pride myself in the fact that I

am paying for my own education. My parents do not have the money to put me through college, so I'm doing it for myself.

I work very hard for my money, and I don't spend it on a Kelly Lavezzare

pair of \$200 sneakers for my boyfriend. Many of my friends feel the same way, and even though Mommy and Daddy to pay for everything, it has nothing to do with the color of their skin.

Everyone is brought up in a different financial situation, and their race has nothing to do with the decisions they make regarding how they choose to spend it.

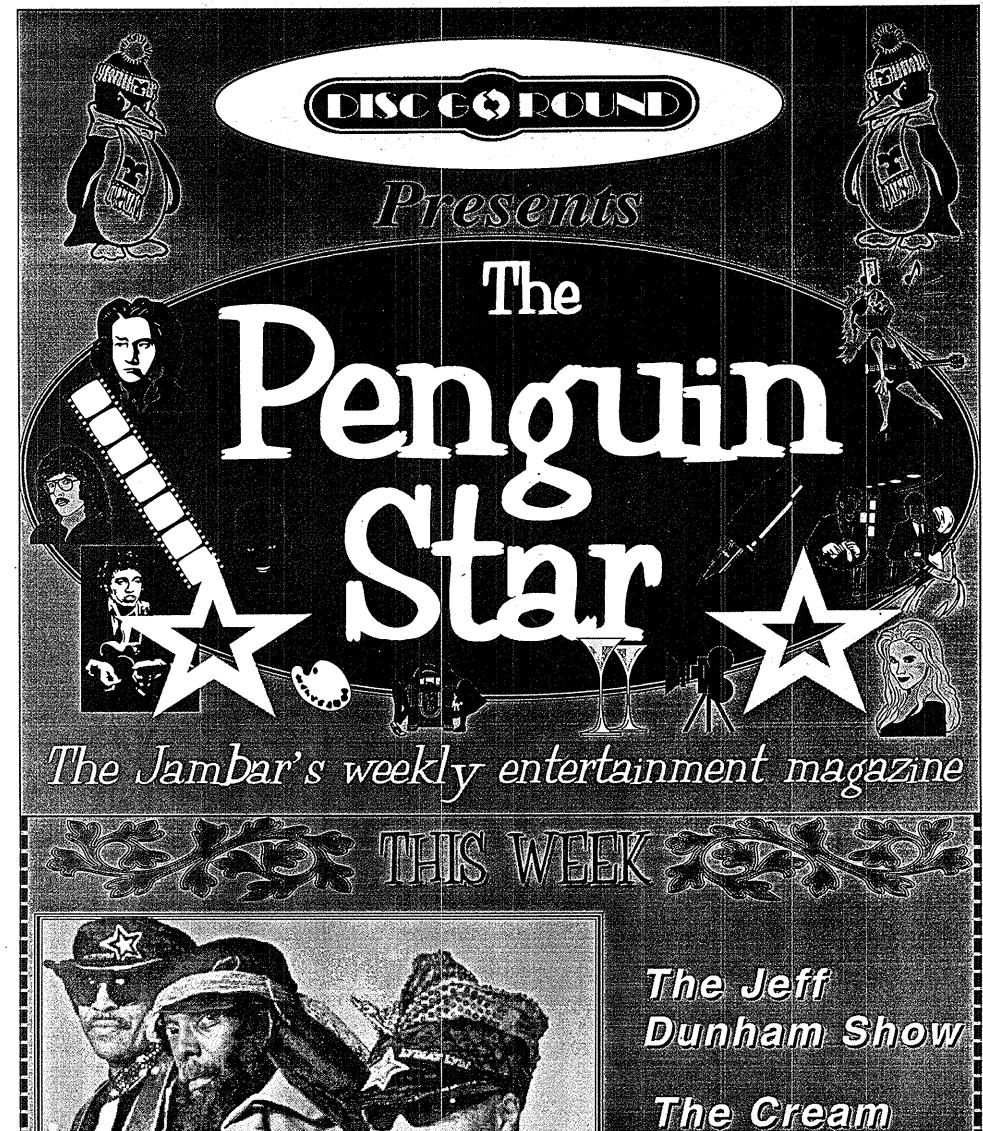
So please consider the individual, not their skin color, the next time you pass judgment on someone.

DALE HARRISON

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Funk legends continue tradition of tearing the roof down

Quantia D. Watson Sales Manager

> Audience, beware. Parliament and Funkadelic might tear the roof of Club Laga. It's not like they've never done it before.

The 14 member band is back with the same soulful sounds that always made us funkateers want to ... well, funk. The tour is titled "Funk-Illusions" and any fan of this music must be squirming with anticipation to see exactly what P-Funk has for us

With their past history of space ships landing on stage and Bootsy Collins bursting onto the scene in his glitter and star-shaped sunglasses, it is no wonder the show is advertised as "will sell out."

But it's not just what you see that keeps funkadelic fans coming back for more, it's also what you hear. With the unorthodox lyrics that generate primal passion, funk feeling, one that you

> eyes open or closed. Originally, Parliament was the hornbased soul group and Funkadelic was the guitarbased rock group. Now, we get a con-

can get with your



PLANET FUNK: The George Clinton-less Parliament-Funkadelic will take the stage 10 p.m. Saturday at Pittsburgh's Club Laga for a marathon 3-hour concert. The 1970's-born group was inducted into the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame in 1997 and will soon release a new single "What's Dat Shak'n (Behind You Like Dat)."

vergence of the two.

There is no forgetting "Free Your Mind and Your Ass Will Follow," "Electric Spanking" and "One Nation Under a Groove" at the height of Funkadelic's career.

Then Parliament answered with "Tear the Roof Off the Sucka," "Motor Booty Affair,"

"Up for the Down Stroke" and "Chocolate City." These hits are responsible, in part, for funk being thought of as the pinnacle of black music.

Recently, the two groups reunited, without George Clinton, who founded them.

Though Clinton is absent, it is

not unusual for the group to pay tribute to him by performing his hit "Atomic Dog" during their concert. In 1997, the band was inducted into the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame.

Soon, Parliament and Funkadelic will release a new single "What's Dat Shak'n (Behind Ya Like Dat)" and shortly thereafter, a

mini-CD is expected from Westbound Records.

The group will be performing a three-hour concert at 10 p.m. Saturday at Club Laga i Pittsburgh.



Comedian brings many voices and puppets to Youngstown's Funny Farm

Lynn Nickels Copy Editor

Dallas native and comedian Jeff Dunham will be throwing his voice tomorrow at Youngstown's Funny Farm Comedy Club. Recipient of the 1997 Male Stand Up Comic award, Dunham and his cast of characters plan to show the Youngstown audience a fun time.

Never formally trained in comedy, the shy young Dunham saw a

asking for it for Christmas. He began studying the art, becoming successful at his craft at an early age - so early, in fact, that the IRS audited him at age 13.

"T'd been making decent money and my dad was doing my taxes. He'd tried to take a few too many deductions. That is not a good thing," he

Dunham said he doesn't think there is such a thing as natural talent

someone successful.

"The reason someone is good is because they put their heart and soul into what they're doing. I've done it my whole life, I'd better be good at it," he said.

Dunham's trademark is his cast of puppets and the dialogue between himself, his puppets and the audience. He said his puppets are all an exten-

sion of his personality. "Either the puppet's voice or ap-

ventriloquist's dummy in a toy store, but interest and hard work that make pearance will come to me first. Usually it's a character that will be universal. One that people can identify with and that I have a decent knowledge of. I start writing jokes and trying it out on stage. If it works, I keep going with

> His oldest and crankiest character. "Walter," was born when Dunham struck up a friendship with an older man while attending Baylor University in Waco, Texas, in 1986. Walter was a veteran of the Korean War and had supported himself as a plumber and part-time welder after retiring.

> "The longer someone is alive, the funnier they are and the more experiences I have to draw on. This was one of the greatest personalities I'd ever met. To watch him carry on a conversation with one of his buddies was a crack up. I had to put this in my act," he said.

> The character, "Walter," has been married for 47 years and says there's no secret to long-lasting marriage or marital bliss.

> "There's no such thing. It's all fake. It's an illusion. I have no idea...Tupperware, yea, that's the secret. It's lightweight when she hits you with it," said "Walter."

> "Walter" also talked about the new drug, Viagra. He said he only has limited uses for the drug.

"I think it's a dangerous drug. The only thing I use it for is to keep me from rolling out of bed," he said.

And then there's "Peanut," who may be Dunham's most famous character. Native to a small, uncharted island in Micronesia, "Peanut," is a mammal covered with bright-colored fur. "Peanut" first came to the United States as a stow away on a 'cheesy' cruise ship. The two met in Texas after one of Dunham's shows and decided they needed each other.

"To be honest, I needed the money, and he needed... well, something purple in his act. We were a perfect team," said "Peanut."

"Peanut" is a fun-loving, carefree type, whose only ambition is to make easy money. College is definitely not in the works for him, he said.

"I'm not against college. I have just done very well without it. Why would I spend \$50,000 for college when I can make money telling dumb jokes. You tell me who the smart person is," he chuckled.

When his stint with Dunham ends, "Peanut" said, "he plans to be a hip hop DJ."

Dunham has already experienced the best of both worlds. He has performed live for more than 20 years and continues to perform 200 to 250 shows a year."

He has also found a measure of success through television.

"Live shows are such a great thing because you get an immediate response. But with television, millions of people can see you in 15 minutes."

Dunham is married and the fa-

ther of three daughters. He will perform two shows, one at 8 p.m. and 10:15 p.m., tomогтоw at The Funny Farm. Tickets are \$21 per person.



PUPPET FUN: Jeff Dunham and friends will be performing at 8 p.m. and 10:15 p.m. tomorrow at the Funny Farm Comedy Club. Dunham's show features 3 zany puppet

characters who bicker, argue and have fun together. Dunham won the 1997 Male Stand

Up Comic Award. Pictured(I to r) are Dunham, Jose Jalapeno, Peanut and Walter.

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ON MATERIALISE

Michael S. Burich Penguin Ster Editor

Tenacious D



"OPEN MIC NIGHT" read the sign outside.

The bar owner approaches the mic stand and announces the next act for the 20 or so in the audience.

"Attention, if you're ovulating, move away from the stage because this band is so potent just sitting near them will get you pregnant. I give you Tenacious D," reads the man.

Two chubby middle-aged losers then jump on stage with acoustic guitars and pummel the audience with a disturbing blend of gothic heavy metal licks mixed with poison-tongued lyrics.

After putting their heart and soul into just one song, the sweating

double team cream dream of HBO's new comedy series "Tenacious D" leave the stage to dead silence and proceed to (in a very Spinal Tapish way) announce a T-shirt signing at a local record shop.

Sitting in an empty record store with a cart full of T-shirts the next day, the store owner asks the D's Jack Black, vocalist and guitar, and Kyle Gass, lead guitar and backing vocals, to leave the store if they weren't buying anything.

"We're here on a rare in-store appearance," answers Black.
Disturbed, wacky and weird,

Disturbed, wacky and weird, but most of all funny, is what you get when you watch the two tubby troubadours go through their insane world of open-mic night madness.

"Tenacious D" is basic sketch comedy with a musical twist. In the new HBO comedy season, they blast through songs that don't make any real sense, but the performance factor is hilarious, especially when Black goes off into his vulgar rants set to the melody of an acoustic guitar.

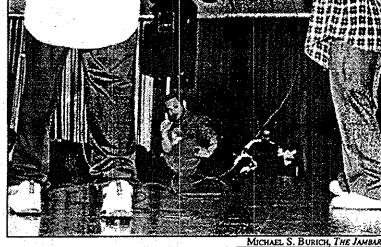
In one new episode, Kyle and

Jack confront the devil, who asks them to play the greatest song in the world if they want to live. They tell the story of that day through a song at open-mic night, which has lyrics that read, "This isn't the greatest song in the world. It's just a tribute. Couldn't remember the greatest song in the world, so this is just a tribute." As you peel away the layers of the song, you realize they were paying homage to "Stairway to Heaven," because Kyle pauses at points during the song to play parts of the Led

Zeppelin classic.

The show is like a "Spinal Tap" of the '90s as it pokes fun at pre-concert preparations, which include building a skylight for divine intervention and colon cleansing with a piece of string. Tenacious D even go as far as throwing out guitar picks to people who could care less if they were there.

"Tenacious D" is a masterpiece of comedic musicianship. To put it simply, they rock in a most deranged way.





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Better Than Ezra dive into new ideas

By Lynn Nickels Copy Editor

COLUMBIA, Mo. — The group Better Than Ezra is back with its latest album, How Does Your Garden Grow, and with two albums already under its belt, the seasoned band looks forward to displaying its newest musical endeavor Tuesday at The Odeon in Cleveland.

BTE's new album has taken off in a different direction, said bass-player Tom Drummond.

"[This album] was more about getting to record our ideas. Our first record was written in 1993, but didn't get released until 1995. So all during that time we were working on new songs, but they weren't recorded until 1996. We tried things on the spot this time. We took a different approach," he said.

A new producer was on board for this record, as well. Malcolm Burn, a keyboardist by nature, gave the album a musical edge.

"He comes from a little bit different background. He's a keyboard player. He offered a different perspective for this album — he's a musician first and foremost. We like to have a foil to bounce ideas off of," said

The group decided to add some musical texture this time. Drummond said this was done by using different instruments and is very apparent in this record.

He said, "There's a lot of stuff going on. Using things other than a distortion peddle, adding more here or there and approaching it from a different direction," were all things that added "texture."

Lead vocalist and guitarist, Kevin Griffin, writes all the band's lyrics, while Travis McNabb, drums and Drummond collaborate with Griffin on the music.

Drummond compares this album to the band's previous two.

"This is a more mature record, and it's just a level of songwriting that is superior for us on this record," he

As far as the distant future of the band, Drummond said, "All you can really hope for is that your current record is more successful than your last show. We've always gotten to headline our own shows and never had to open for anybody."

Drummond said BTE will be on tour for an unknown amount of time and has a new single coming out next month off the new album called "Like it Like That."

Opening for the band will be the group Jude, who currently has a hit with the remake of the



SPECIAL TO THE JAMEAR BETTER THAN WHO?: Taking a different approach than in the past, Better Than Ezra have released How Does Your Garden Grow, a recording that explores a broader range of instruments. Better Than Ezra play 8 p.m. Tuesday at Cleveland's Odeon Concert Club, located in the flats warehouse district.

Chris Miller Contributing Writer

Sammy Hagar Red Voodoo



Oh Sammy, Sammy! Let's reflect a little here OK people? If there is one thing you must do, give some props to Hagar because his style hasn't changed at all. When he joined Van Halen, he influenced them a lot when you would have thought it would have been the other way around.

Van Halen was good once, and since they literally threw Hagar out, look where they are at now? NO-WHERE! Anyway, Hagar left and worked on this project with a few good people he got together called the Waboritas, which include Victor Johnson on guitar, Mona on bass and Jesse Harms on keyboards.

Whether you like him or not, Hagar's style on his latest attempt Red Voodoo hasn't changed one bit (as it's labeled on the CD cover: 100 percentrock and roll). Sammy has always been known for his straightforward guitar rock and this release is no different.

Songs like "Don't Fight It, Feel It," "Right On Right" and "Shag," offer connoisseurs of rock some honest music that has been missing for years. The first single off this release, "Mas Tequila," is a rip off of that song you hear at sporting events all the freakin' time! (Sorry, can't remember the

On the other hand, the whole CD offers the same old "Hagarisk" guitar pounding, radiant sound to which we are all accustomed. Nothing has changed and he will always remain the "Red Rocker" so don't expect anything different from this album, you won't get it.







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YSU student packs punch that

lands him at the Golden Golves

■Senior Mike O'Hara has been amatuer boxing since his senior year in high school, now

The women's tennis team will compete at the Mid-Continent Confernce Championships this weekend.

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After talking and spending time with boxer Mike O'Hara

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Sports Editor

JAMIE LYNN REESH

When you think of boxing you think of Muhammad Ali, Mike Tyson, Rocky. You think of the glory and notoriety in a sport that's existed for

ages. But

nows

here's more

O'Hara, an environ-

mental affairs major at YSU, has been into boxing for the past five years, getting his start after meeting profesyear in high school. Kitna got O'Hara interested in the sport, showing him the ropes.

He trains for at least 20 hours a week, including running twice a day, training in the ring for hours and general working out. He considers boxing a hobby, but after

talking with O'Hara it seems boxing is a way of life.

"I like the conditioning, the self-discipline," said O'Hara. "It's not like you have a coach everyday telling you what to do —

you're on your own." His welter weight record lies at 14-0, mostly consisting of show fights. His fiercest competition

holding a record of 14-0 and heading to the national tournament in New York. will come this May, as O'Hara prepares for the Golden Glove Nationals May 9 to 15 in New York. He qualified for the single-elimination tournament in Syracuse,

> competition in the nation. "Right now I'm in the best shape of my life," said O'Hara. "I've been training everyday, just pushing the limits."

New York, where he'll face the top

The 23-year-old says he gets to boxer Mike box every couple months, but with O'Hara the decline in boxing interest in the Youngstown area, it's hard to set up fights.

"It's hard. There aren't any gyms around here anymore," said O'Hara. "It's hard to get matches around here. You have to do a lot of traveling if you want to fight all the time."

In fact, Southside Boxing Club, where he trains, is apparently the sional boxer Craig Kitnahis senior only existing boxing gym in toungstown.

With the controversy in boxing from Mike Tyson and Don King, to Tommy Morrison and the Holyfield/Lewis fight, boxing isn't exactly in a positive light these days.

O'Hara explains professional boxing is different from

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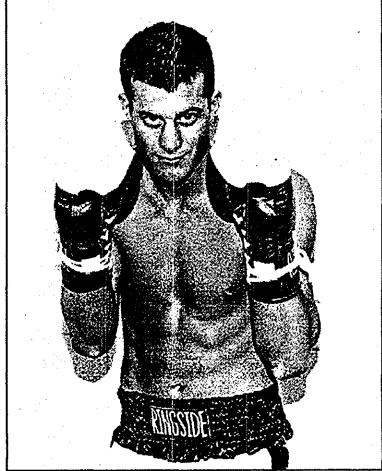
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> Mike O'Hara senior, environmental affairs

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minutes," said O'Hara. "Amateur is right at each other, throwing all three rounds none stop."



JAMIE LYNN REESH, THE JAMBAR

YO ADRIAN: Senior, Mike O'Hara has been amatuer boxing for almost five years. He's now 14-0 and has qualified for the national tournament in New York.

level as well. Amateur boxing lasts only three rounds, scoring a point for each clean punch landed, where as professionals box on the 10point must system.

"Your goal is to score as many points as you can in those three rounds," said O'Hara.

O'Hara would consider turning pro in the future, as Youngstown boxers have a good chance of promotion through former home-town hero Boom Boom Mancini.

"First thing is my education," said O'Hara. "I'm just going at this Scoring is different in each one step at a time, seeing where I

No matter where life takes him, O'Hara will be a success. His hard work and dedication seem to have taught him many of the keys to a successful life.

He doesn't plan to stay in the area when he finishes school in two more quarters. O'Hara said he sees himself moving south or out west to live out his days. And even if he takes the career route, he plans on boxing still being a big part of his life.

"I'll always follow it, I'll always love it," said O'Hara.

Softball falls to 6-27, as they drop two to Kent

JAMIE LYNN REESH Sports Editor

KENT — The women's softball team managed seven hits in two games, falling in both to backyard rival, Kent, 8-0, 12-2.

The Lady Penguins faced good pitching in Kent's Nicole Karassk, who pitched in the first game. She allowed only three YSU hits and no runs in all five innings.

"She had a lot of junk," said junior Rachel Zehnder. "All of her pitches worked really well and she had a change up that got a lot of Zehnder.

strikes."

YSU pitching came from senior Melanie Pangallo, tossing 3.2 innings Pangallo gave up nine hits, while walking five and striking out two. Freshman Be Cicero faced four hits. two batters in the fourth.

YSU's three hits came courtesy of senior Chris Maynard, junior Holly Royal and sophomore Mistine Hamilton.

"We're starting to hit the ball better than we did at the start of the season, but everything we hit seems to go right to them," said The second game also went

only five innings, with guins getting

Cicero belted a hit, driving in both Maynard and Hamilton for YSU's two runs.

Tammi Schamlenberger.

Freshman Katie Marsh started on the mound for

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YSU, allowing the Lady Pen- 66 We're starting to hit seven hits in one inning. Cicero the ball better than came in for the we did at the start of relief. The women's the season. ??

> Rachel Zehnder junior, softball

27 and 2-9 in the Mid-Conference, putting them last in the league.

Maynard and Royal again got They travel to DePaul for doublehits, along with one from senior headers both Friday and Saturday against the Mid-Con foe.



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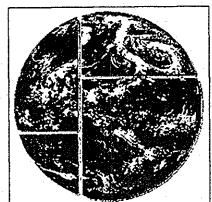
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I"M GONNA GET IT: Sophomore Preveen Perni returns a ball in Monday's men's tennis match at home. The men end the season with a record of 3-13.

YSU falls in backyard battle with Kent State

JAMIE LYNN REESH **Sports Editor**

Senior Mark Thomas continued his wrath in the Penguins 13-12 to

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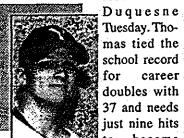
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to become YSU's alltime hit leader.

Both teams battle back and forth with YSU relinquishing a 6-4 lead in the fourth and taking it back in the fifth, 9-6. The Dukes went on to score seven runs despite a three-run-rally in the ninth by the Penguins, to bring them within

Thomas improved to sixth in the nation in batting, with a .467 batting average. He hit 3-for-5 with a run and two RBIs. Sophomore Steve Mefferd hit 3-for-5, scoring a run and driving one in, while junior Travis Easterling connected on 2-fo-5 at bats. Easterling scored two runs and drove in three runs.

Sophomore Todd Santore nailed two doubles, while hitting 3-for-5, as sophomore Jason Lowman hit 2-for-5, scoring two runs and driving one run in.

YSU clobbered 19 hits in all, while leaving 10 men on base.

Freshman Brad Hennessey got his first start and first loss of the season, pitching six innings. He walked only one Duke and sat three batters down. Freshman Kyle Sobecki pitched the last three innings, striking out two.

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many peoples lives are at stake. I don't think the students who were written up for candle violations need to be too concerned because although it does go on their permanent record, it's not like its going to follow them around for the rest of their lives."

The violations being given out to YSU students may not be entirely their fault. The rules on having unburned candles have swayed back and forth for the past couple years.

"I too was hounded as soon as I came back from break about a candle violation I had received while I was gone," said Holly Baker, freshman, undecided. "Because I'm a freshman, I went on the knowledge of my fellow dorm residents and was told we could have candles. But I think the main problem is the way the information is given out. It supposedly tells you in the handbook — if you receive one — and I did not."

Baker and Tanner said the YSU handbooks, given to freshman upon entering the dorms, were not properly handed out this year in the Wick House.

And according to Ellen DeCarlo, sophomore, art studio, resident of Cafaro House, the students there were told by the RA the candle policy had changed and they were no longer permitted in the rooms for safety reasons.

In the Housing Services handbook for residents for YSU the rule for having candles in not clearly

There is a lot of confusion as to whether the actual candles or the ignition of their flames is prohibited.

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Therese Lease, resident assistant at Wick House, was not available for comment.

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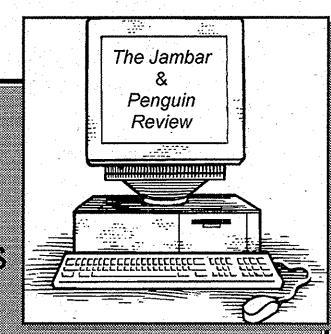
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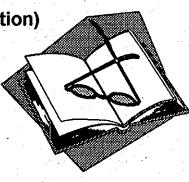


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April 19

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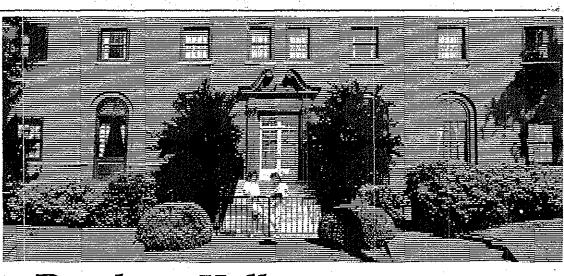
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