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## Making Connections: Welcome Week 1999

The office of Student Life is welcoming new students with a week of activities designed to get students familiar with campus services and facilities.

### Wednesday

- 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. — Mr. Peanut's Hot Rod Tour, University Plaza
- 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. — Center for Student Progress Open House in Kilcawley West
- 10 a.m. - noon — Campus Resource Fair, Upper Arcade in Kilcawley Center
- 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. — "The Reactor" motion simulator ride on University Plaza
- 7 p.m. — Night recreation water games, basketball, volleyball in Beeghly Center

### Thursday

- 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. — Penguin Involvement Fair, Upper Arcade in Kilcawley Center

### Friday

- 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. — Party on the Plaza at BW-3's, Federal Plaza

SOURCE: STUDENT ACTIVITIES OFFICE

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## Alumni Association opposes new position

■ The media broke the news to the Association about the position.

**SABRINA SCHROEDER**  
Editor in Chief

Amid numerous protests from YSU's alumni association, the board of trustees is creating a new administrative position, director of Alumni Relations, which will expand the functions of the Alumni Association.

Lori Factor, executive director of the Alumni Association, said, "It would be counterproductive for alumni to not know who the governing body is."

"We are concerned because we think it will be confusing to alumni and could impact the presidential search. Who would want to come into a 'bear's den,' so to speak, with an organized group against something like this? It would be difficult to work in such circumstances," she added.

The Association is not sure what the creation of this position will mean for the future.

YSU President Dr. Leslie Cochran said, "The whole description of the position is to enhance, complement and expand upon the Alumni Association."

One of the functions listed for the director of Alumni Relations is to "serve as the primary liaison between the university and the YSU Alumni

Association."

Cochran says that some people have "perceived this as an attempt by the university to take over the Alumni Association."

"I first heard about the position through the media. Ron Cole called me from *The Vindicator*," Factor said.

Michael Iberis, a past president of the Alumni Association, said, "We're disappointed that Dr. Cochran was not more open with the process and with the manner about the way he has gone about this."

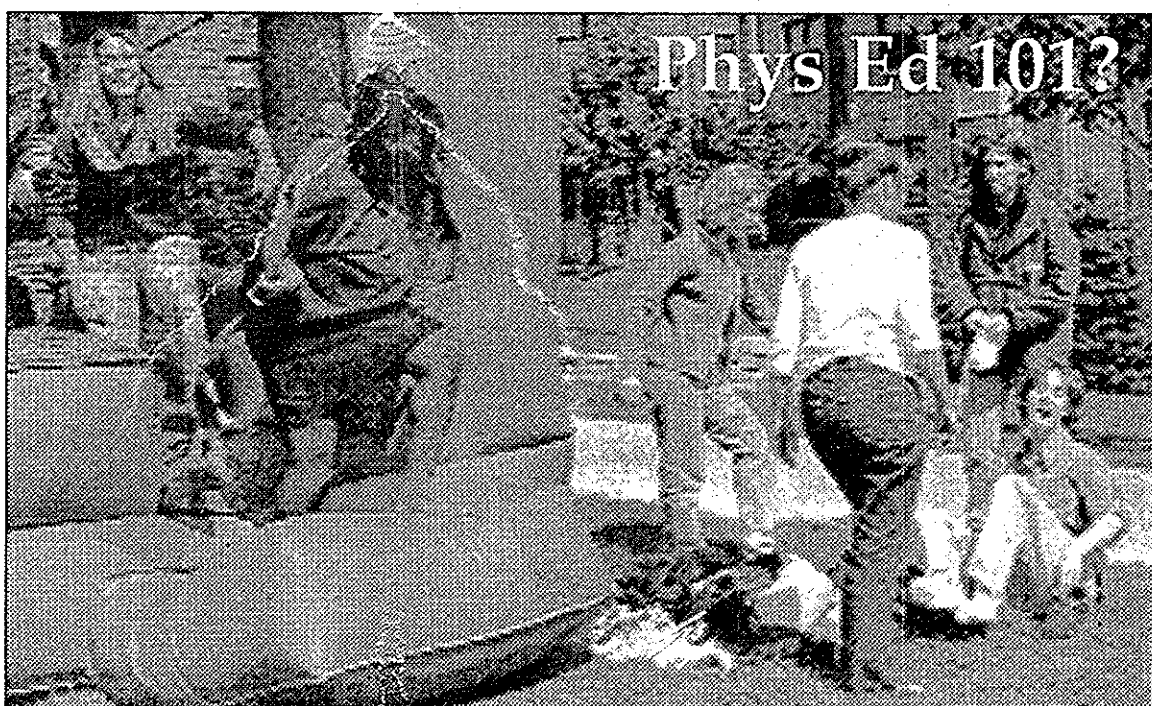
According to Cochran, scheduling conflicts caused the miscommunication. Members of the board of trustees' Development Board were to meet with members of the Alumni Association, but due to vacations and other things, it took three or four weeks for the two groups to meet.

By that time, news of the position was released in *The Vindicator*.

"No one knows how the communication problem happened. The process was regular university procedure," Cochran said.

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Phys Ed 101?

**A NEW HOME:** As part of Welcome Week festivities, dorm residents enjoy the mini fair Tuesday on Christmas Campus Green. Welcome Week is sponsored by Student Activities.

## Contract approved by union

■ Agreement over contract keeps a strike out of the picture.

**MEGAN E. WALSH**  
News Editor

The YSU Association of Classified Employees (YSU-ACE) concluded nine months of contract negotiations with the university that almost ended in a strike.

The contract is set for three years and was ratified on Sept. 9. YSU's board of trustees then approved it on Sept. 10.

A tentative agreement was first reached on Aug. 31, the same day the union was preparing to take a strike vote, according to Brian Brennan, union spokesperson and former union president.

According to Brennan, the contract narrowly passed with a majority vote.

"Enough people voted against it to show dissatisfaction with the contract," he said.

The main problem was that the new contract fails to discuss the use of student labor in classified positions. The union is now addressing that with the state by filing "unfair labor practices" against YSU.

According to Phil Hirsch, the university's chief negotiator, stu-

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## Campus Gateways Project running behind schedule

■ Dates were set, but gaining the property took longer than expected, said Dr. Harold Yianakki, executive director of Campus 2000.

**ANGELA GIANOGGIO**  
Managing Editor

The first phase of the Campus Gateways project will not be done by the start of fall quarter as was reported by the facilities office in January, said Phil Hirsch, executive director of administrative services.

The facilities office said in January they expected to close a portion of Lincoln Avenue, demolish Lincoln Place and develop McKay Court by the end of summer. So far McKay Court is the only aspect of the project underway.

Mike Skurich, YSU staff architect, said his office is only responsible for the execution of the plans and until they get permission from the administration, there is nothing they can do.

Hirsch said the closing of Lincoln Avenue is "on hold" for the time being.

Youngstown Mayor George McKelvey said the university has to apply for a vacation of the street, a process he said was recently begun.

A public hearing must be held

to gain the opinion of all the property owners on the street. If the university's request is met with approval, the proper legislation will be processed through city council, McKelvey said.

A public hearing has not been held and the legislative process cannot start until that happens.

Issues that McKelvey said must be looked at include access for emergency vehicles, traffic rerouting and safety concerns.

Hirsch said Lincoln Place, the U-shaped building next to the Beeghly College of Education, should be torn down by the end of the quarter. The university expects to gain possession of it by the end of October, he said.

However, no date has been set for the evacuation of the current occupants who are supposed to move to the former Woodside Receiving Hospital on Youngstown's southside.

"Someone can give us the go ahead, but if that property is not ours, there is nothing we can do about it," Skurich said. "My job is

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# NEWS Nuggets

Support, parking and janitorial services have moved their offices to the second floor of the Public Service Institute, 318 Fifth Ave. Telephone Services is still located in Tod Hall.

For more information, call 742-3549 for support; 742-3546 for parking; and 742-3237 for janitorial services.

YSU President Dr. Leslie Cochran delivered the State of the University Address Sept. 15 in Kilcawley's Chestnut Room. This is his eighth and final address noting the special efforts made by both faculty and staff for the betterment of the university.

The YSU Foundation Board of Trustees elected Dr. A. Gary Bitonte of Canfield to the board. Thirteen other board members were re-elected for three-year terms that expire in 2002.

## Merging prepares university for future

■ New center expands on previous services.

MEGAN E. WALSH  
News Editor

Media Services has completed its transformation into a new structure.

In the Aug. 12 issue of *The Jambar*, it was reported that Media Services was being split up between Academic Computing and Technology and University Relations. At that time no one would comment how or why.

According to Dr. James Scanlon, YSU provost, Media Services is now called the Center for Media and Academic Computing and remains in Cushman Hall. Media Services and Academic Computing and Technology have been combined to prepare for the future.

The future is a new fiber optic network YSU is installing to expand media and modes of media.

"We are trying to build on services that support the students and faculty, and prepare ourselves for the new fiber optic network," Scanlon said.

According to Mike Graham, director of the Center for Media and Academic Computing, the fiber optic network has been set up for the distance learning program.

"Merging the two made it easier to provide additional services and resources for the electronic campus," Graham said.

YSU geared up its first distance learning class for a master's in public health Saturday. YSU is connected with sites at Cleveland

State, University of Akron, and Kent State University, according to Graham.

Students can use the distance learning classroom in the William Rayen Engineering and Technology building, room 2400. Several other rooms will be added in the Beeghly College of Education building and room 3082 in Cushman Hall, according to Graham.

The new center will provide all of the same services of Academic Computing and Technology and Media Services, but will further expand on them.

Graham, who has replaced Floyd Jackson, will direct the center.

As reported in the Aug. 12 issue of *The Jambar*, Jackson will work under Dr. G.L. Mears, executive vice president.

Printing services has been separated from the new center and is now under the direction of University Relations.

All charges for equipment and services go through University Relations instead of Media Services, according to Linda Lewis, director of University Relations.

"I hope the productivity level will go up with the new equipment making printing services more efficient," she said.

According to Lewis, all day-to-day activities will remain the same and the only major difference is authority.

"I'm now signature authority instead of Floyd Jackson," she

## Safety Tips

The YSU Police Department offers tips on how to protect valuables while on campus.

- Avoid having expensive jewelry on campus.
- Engrave appropriate valuables and make an inventory list. Send one copy home and put a copy in a sealed envelope, which housing services will store until needed or the student moves out of the residence hall.
- Engrave items before bringing them to campus. Mark textbooks in several places.
- Come to campus early in order to get a parking space fairly close to class.



- Use proper entrances and exits to residence halls.
- Don't prop open any outside doors to prevent the wrong people from entering the building.
- Those who have purses are encouraged to put them on the floor of the car.
- If the vehicle doesn't have a trunk, get some material similar in color to

the upholstery of the vehicle and use it to cover belongings.

- Bring only items needed for the day.
- Look into renting a locker on campus. When traveling around the campus, go in groups or use the Escort Service. When walking alone, walk in a confident, heads-up manner. Daydreamers become targets.
- Lock CDs, tapes, radar detector, and other valuables in the glove box or put them under the car seat.
- A device similar to "The Club" should be used, as well as auto alarms or a cut-off switch. Lock cars when leaving them.
- Anyone who observes a person looking into cars should notify the YSU Police Department promptly.
- Students or faculty who find their cars damaged or broken into should not move them. Contact the YSU Police Department to file a report.

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# New Metro College opens in the area

■ Location on Federal Plaza is accessible to working people.

**CHRISTINA PALM**  
Copy Editor

Going to college became easier for business people in the Youngstown area. The fourth service center site for the Metro Colleges has opened on Federal Plaza in downtown Youngstown at the Youngstown Business Incubator.

The center is set up to make continuing education more accessible to people who would otherwise not go to school.

"We wanted to be more accessible to those who don't know if they want to go back to school. This location is convenient for those who live or work in the area. There is a brand new government building down town with many workers," said Dr. Sandra Stephan, executive director of the Metro College.

The director of the Youngstown Business Incubator, Jim Cossler, said, "We are very excited about the opening of this Metro College. It opens up YSU's impressive range of services and the companies we work with."

All of the Metro Colleges offer both credit and noncredit classes in topics such as computers and real estate. Business people can upgrade their skills or finish degrees.

"This is a very significant contribution to the renovation of downtown Youngstown," said Cossler.

The classes at the Metro Colleges are compressed, and classes starting now would be over by Thanksgiving. This makes classes appealing to adults coming back to school after having a family or changing jobs because classes are over before the holidays,

said Cossler. The latest Metro College opened in Niles at the Eastwood Mall. The facility is new and has a large computer lab, classroom, and seminar room.

There also is an outside entrance to the college located next to Sears. Classes will be held in these facilities a week or two after classes actually start. Southwoods Commons also has 11 new classrooms.

Offices for the Metro Colleges are located at the Southern Park Mall. They can receive help in choosing classes, advisement, and filling out applications.

A new brochure is available listing the programs at the Metro Colleges. There are 50 new course offerings listed along with revised and updated courses.

Courses offered include martial arts, massage, and cooking. Online classes are also offered for no credit.

**“It opens up YSU's impressive range of services.”**

**Jim Cossler**  
Director of YBI

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"In the amount of time it took to set up the meeting, the information got to the paper," Cochran said.

Members of the Alumni Association's board of directors met with members of the board of trustee's Development Committee regarding the new position on Sept. 2.

According to Factor, they were allowed only to make statements and not ask any questions during that meeting.

"We came away from the meeting with the feeling they were going to encourage Dr. Cochran to do what he needed to do to run the university effectively," Factor added.

Iberis said a committee chosen by the Alumni Association has been in talks with Cochran since March of 1999 discussing issues of mutual benefit to the alumni and university. The issue of this position never came up.

"Dr. Cochran suggested during these talks that the university would like to consider contracting with the alumni association for things he would like to see done between the alumni and the university," he added.

Factor says that the position was discussed at a president's cabinet meeting in June and that there

was a two-month window before they were informed of the decision.

In her conversation with Cole, Factor was told there were a series of memos from former Vice President for Development and Community Affairs Vern Snyder to Cochran that criticized the association.

Cochran said he asked Snyder to capture his views on the association and give a history or timeline of events of things that have happened with the Alumni Association, both good and bad.

"There have been some events off campus that could have been better and somebody needs to be in charge of those events," Cochran said.

He added that the person hired into this position also would be working on fund raising so that more events off campus can be planned and executed.

According to a Sept. 10 article in *The Vindicator*, Snyder listed "events planned by the alumni association, especially those at away football games, that he said were inadequate and did not feature the university in the best light."

The memos were written two days before Snyder's departure from YSU July 1 to take a similar position at Eastern Kentucky University.

The association has requested

copies of the memos and any other correspondence sent or received by Cochran regarding their organization.

"I think it is fair to say that there are differences in understanding of the circumstances," Cochran said.

"If we partner together, everybody wins. If we can work in a partnership, membership in the Alumni Association will grow.

"Once people understand we all have the same goal, everything will go well," he added.

Cochran also said he hopes talks between the two groups would allow for a compromise on a modification of the functions of the new position.

The 22-year-old, nonprofit organization operates with its own board of directors and a \$324,000 annual budget, which is raised through membership fees, the annual distinguished citizens award banquet, and income from affinity programs such as the personalized Visa credit card program.

No fees are received from the university to operate, but the university receives \$7,000 to \$8,000 in rent per year from the association, according to Factor.

"Our board has determined that we will stay self-governing after many years of attempts to have us included into the development office," Factor said.

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to tear the building down. We don't deal with the sale or acquisition."

Skurich said because Lincoln Place is owned by the state, the purchasing procedure has to go

through the state legislature.

Dr. Harold Yianakki, executive director of Campus 2000, said House Bill 48, the legislation that will pass ownership of Lincoln Place from its current owner, Carl Vaccar, to YSU and the former Woodside Receiving Hospital from YSU to Vaccar, has already

been signed by the governor.

The deeds will become effective Oct. 20, Yianakki said.

"It's taken three years to get here," he said. "It's nice to know it is almost over."

Hirsch said McKay Court should be done by the middle of fall quarter.

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## EDITORIAL

### New year, old and new perks in college life

Parking problems, finding classes, buying books. The start of each new quarter of classes brings the little perks of college life.

The beginning of the 1999-2000 academic year starts a year of new office space, the coming of the year 2000, preparation for the transition from quarters to semesters and a university community wondering who will fill President Cochran's position after his retirement.

This is the beginning of a year of firsts for *The Jambar*. A new office, a new staff and a new adviser are in place to serve the university community with campus news.

On Sept. 8, movers went to Kilcawley Center West to move *The Jambar* office to its new space in the basement of Fedor Hall. After computer hookups, new phone lines and many maintenance calls for last minute things, this edition of *The Jambar* is the first to be published from the new space.

The coming of the year 2000 brings many worries about the great "millennium bug" and what to do to avoid problems. Many steps are being taken across the country and campus to ensure that we all are ready for the big day.

The quarters to semesters conversion is a process that some will not have to worry about when their classes are finished and they graduate next year. For the transitional students, steps are being taken to ensure that they are on the right track with what they need to do to prepare.

Those who will not be affected by the transition to semesters are students who will graduate this year and who will be starting their college careers with fall semester 2000. Students who are in the middle of their academic careers will go through the change, and likely will be confused. After being on quarters for part of their academic careers, certainly the change will be an odd one to deal with.

Finally, there is the question of when we will know who will become the sixth president of YSU. The university's search committee has been assisted by a consultant group based in Washington D.C. since Cochran's announcement last year.

The upcoming year is sure to be an interesting one with all the changes occurring. It will be hard, but we as a university community will be able to handle everything that is thrown our way.

### Quote of the Day

*"Freedom of speech is not about good speech versus bad; it's about who holds the power to decide which is which."*

Robyn E. Blumner  
Editorial writer/columnist,  
*St. Petersburg Times*  
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A STAFF VIEW  
ANGIE GIANOGLIO  
Managing Editor

### Learn, don't hate

Why do so many people waste time on hate? Is it possible to change a negative opinion and to alter the narrow-minded perspective of someone else? These are questions that plague me as I begin the school year.

As someone who tries to be open-minded and accepting of other people and ideas, I get frustrated when so many others are determined to shun something unconventional and different.

If I were to join the NAACP, people would ask, "Why? You're not black." True, but maybe I just want to learn about the culture and issues facing African-Americans. Or if I wanted to attend a Hindu religious ceremony, it would be, "But you're Catholic." So what? Does that mean I can't understand another religion?

Then there are those people who are bound and determined to fight against anything but what they believe in and practice.

And that is not limited to someone who shoots preschoolers at a Jewish Community Center or designs a white supremacy Web site.

It is the father who swears he would disown his son if the son was gay, or the girl who will only go out with guys who can afford Tommy Hilfiger or Ralph Lauren clothes. It is the Mexican immigrant who refuses to say the Pledge of Allegiance, the anti-feminists who think women belong in the kitchen, and the Christian who condemns all "unsaved" souls to hell regardless of that soul's per-

sonal belief or disbelief in hell.

Who has the right to fight to prevent people from enjoying their rights? If you don't think gays and lesbians should marry, congratulations, but don't infringe on their right to want to do so.

Granted, everyone is entitled to their opinions under the first amendment, but what point does it serve to limit your own experiences and relationships based on face-value prejudice? Who does the negativity benefit? Certainly not those to whom it is directed.

All this brings me to my original point: Why waste your time on hate? What is so hard about living and let live? Or better yet, learning before judging, understanding before condemning, listening before blaspheming?

What satisfaction does it bring to suppress someone else when what they are doing doesn't affect you in the least?

As you begin a new school year (for some it will be your first time in college) look for ways to learn about something you profess to hate. Don't hide behind uneducated ignorance and refuse to listen to reason. God forbid you should attempt understanding.

At best, you may decide to reevaluate the way you look at things, or you may find a legitimate reason to oppose something rather than just relying on stereotypes.

Either way you will be better off than you are now with just a little more knowledge to show for it.

### A CONTRIBUTING WRITER'S VIEW MELISSA NEHL

### Computer fees not feasible

How many of you have ever been sitting in a YSU computer lab, either for class or just to use a computer, when the screen froze or your disk was ejected or eaten?

After asking many students this same question, the response was overwhelming. Everyone said that something along the same lines has happened to them, not once, but several times.

Nearly every department uses a computer lab now for much of their classes. This means that almost every student who attends YSU will end up paying hundreds of extra dollars in lab fees by the time they graduate.

If you crunch the numbers, a class with 20 students, each one paying \$35 per class, generates \$700 for YSU. Multiply that amount by the number of classes held in that same room each quarter year after year and what do you get? A lot of money!

Considering the amounts of money the computer fees bring in, you would think the computers would at least be in working order, but of course they're not.

During winter quarter '99, I had to buy a \$2,000 computer for my home because of the fear I had of sticking my disks in the YSU computers. Therefore, I

do all of my work at home, not at school. So where is my \$35 per class going? Not to repair bills.

As a college student, I am not in the financial situation to make \$2,000 purchases very often. It would be nice to be able to rely on the computer labs at school that we pay for each quarter rather than taking on the financial burden of owning our own computers.

Along with wasting our money on broken down computers, there also is a loss in class time in the majority of computer-oriented classes. Out of a two-hour class, the instructor spends at least 30-40 minutes fixing computer problems rather than teaching the class. This means less time that students get in using the computer labs.

If paying a \$35 lab fee were a preference given to the students, my concern would not be so great. But when forced to pay for computers that I do not use, the concern grows.

College students have enough to worry about without added problems such as this one.

Perhaps in the future YSU administrators will take this problem into consideration and come to a solution.

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**AN ADMINISTRATIVE VIEW**

LESLIE H. COCHRAN, President



Welcome. YSU the safest and most beautiful campus in the state. Clearly, we have accomplished this goal.

I am pleased to once again welcome everyone back to campus. This truly will be an eventful year. Before you know it, we will enter a new millennium!

Several major academic changes will be finalized this year. New associate degree programs and options in telecommunication technology, computer engineering technology, and instrumentation and process control, will be implemented. Everyone will be affected by the faculty's efforts to totally upgrade the general education requirements (GER). Increasingly, you will hear more about this as the year progresses. Likewise, the final stages of conversion from quarters to semesters (Q2S) will be forthcoming. These changes will impact all aspects of the campus. I encourage everyone to do his or her best to make it a success. Like the many other challenges we have faced, I am confident these changes will be made in a most effective manner.

As you move around campus, you will find numerous changes. We are, indeed, fortunate to have millions of state dollars to improve our campus. The remodeling in Bliss Hall has dramatically changed the interior and exterior of that building. There are several totally new classrooms and studios. At the Butler Institute of American Art, we are in the final stages of completing a new high-tech facility that will place YSU on the international cutting-edge of computer-generated art. And, by fall's end, there will be a new plaza connecting Tod Hall and the Butler.

Over the next year and a half, you will witness significant changes in the overall character of the campus. For the last decade, we have worked hard to make

But, like everything, there is always more to be done. As part of a \$3.4 million state-funded Campus Gateways Project, YSU will be able to culminate this long-term effort. McKay Court, including an outdoor amphitheater, will be constructed just north of the new Beeghly Hall. The Sweeney Welcome Center will replace Dana Hall next spring. And by the end of next summer, a new Stadium Drive will be open just east of Stambaugh Stadium and the new pedestrian walkway will be under construction. This project will replace Elm Street with a new connector between Kilcawley Center and the Service Drive. Also, we soon will add two more marquees to display information on the four major entrance corners of the campus. These marquees were made possible through a gift from Coca-Cola.

There also will be countless additions to our programs and services in student life. I encourage you to take advantage of the numerous opportunities available on campus. Go to one of the on-campus events planned by the Office of Student Life, see an athletic event, view artwork or a play at Bliss Hall, listen to a concert performed at Bliss Hall, or attend one of the shows in the McDonough Museum. Take advantage of the wonderful educational opportunities on campus. We have many outstanding faculty members who have dedicated their lives to higher education. They are here for you.

Our staff, too, are ready to help. Ask them, I am sure you will find a helping hand. Most importantly, remember why you are here. You have an opportunity to shape the rest of the your life. Take advantage of everything at YSU and do your best. It's your future!

Whatever your interest, catch the excitement and make a difference in your life and that of your university.

Sincerely,  
Leslie H. Cochran  
President

**AN ACTIVITIES VIEW**

GREG GULAS  
assistant director, student activities

**Student Activities office plans busy fall schedule**

When students arrive on campus today for the beginning of the fall quarter, they will be treated to the Mr. Peanut Hot Rod Tour, the first of 36 scheduled programs and events that will be staged before the start of the new millennium.

"This is the most aggressive quarter in terms of programming," William J. Blake, director of student activities, noted.

"We were able to add some new programs, expand the old, then add to other areas as we continue to strive to give our students the best in programming that is available to us," he added.

The annual fall leadership summit this past Friday kicked off the quarter in terms of programming while the Surge Sampling Campus Tour will make the first of three appearances this fall tomorrow.

The tour returns to the YSU campus on Monday, Oct. 11 as a part of the week's Homecoming festivities. Then on Nov. 9, the tour makes its final appearance as a part of the Greek Campus Life "Greek Week" festivities.

"We are fortunate that we were able to

acomodate their open dates," Blake stated. "As a Coca-Cola campus, we are committed to the many programs that they make available to us throughout the year. Students seem to enjoy the interaction with the hosts, as well as the prizes and giveaways that are distributed," he added.

In addition to the Surge and Mr. Peanut Hot Rod Tour, the popular jazz band Horns and Things returns for a pre-Homecoming jam on Thursday, Oct. 14.

Six comedians will once again appear in Peaberry's Cafe with an end of the Millennium Festival that will take you down memory lane slated for Dec. 1.

The End of the Millennium Festival will feature a "YSU Talk Show" in Peaberry's cafe where Dr. Hugh Earnhart, Dr. Morris Slaven, Ken Brayer, Student Government President Robert Harvey, Student Government Vice President Marla Carano

and Mary B. Smith will be ready to talk of their experiences at YSU and field questions from a participating audience.

Most eras since YSU was founded in 1908 will have representation.

Further information on all of this fall's activities can be obtained by calling the Student Activities Office at x3575 or by stopping in at the offices which are located in Kilcawley Center, Room 2100.

**"This is the most aggressive quarter in terms of programming. We were able to add some new programs, expand the old, then add to other areas as we continue to strive to give our students the best in programming that is available to us."**

**WILLIAM J. BLAKE**  
director, student activities

**Scrappers manager responds to summer commentary**

I had the displeasure of reading Megan Walsh's commentary in *The Jambar* dated August 12, 1999. Though I was not in attendance that evening, I did take the opportunity to follow-up with Mr. Grindell and our manager, Mr. Ted Kubiak. It seems as though the unknown and unnamed players in the commentary were actually members of the other team.

Palisades Baseball has spent the last 18 months developing and marketing the Mahoning Valley Scrappers franchise and I was extremely disappointed to read the commentary. Also, I do not think it is fair to insinuate that these problems exist with "men in uniform" exclusively, nor were the comments consistent with the feedback that I have gotten from the rest of the community on our players or staff.

The Scrappers players, coaching staff, mascot and diamond girls have made more than 100 appearances in the community on behalf of charitable organizations over the last year. It is disappointing to see that Megan would prefer to take the approach that she did, rather than focus on the positives or the fact that Youngstown State University Men's Baseball Team would be utilizing Cafaro Field this spring.

Best regards,  
**ANDY MILOVICH**  
General Manager

**Professor voices opinion regarding Youngstown prisons**

Dear Editor:

In her Aug. 19 letter to *The Jambar*, Tammy King, chair, criminal justice department, asks, "Why shouldn't Youngstown take advantage of the possibility of bringing more prisons to Youngstown ..."

Here's why:

1. Prison jobs are nonunion jobs. Community Corrections of America, the private operator of Northeast Ohio Correctional Center (NOCC) in Youngstown, has opposed the unionization of its employees.

2. NOCC employees must pay part of their own health insurance costs.

3. Studies show that prison jobs are high stress, high turnover positions.

4. Prisons represent a danger to public health and safety. On July 25, 1998 six violent prisoners escaped from NOCC in broad daylight. Studies have also found incidence of tuberculosis and other infectious diseases among the prison populations in Youngstown.\* These diseases negatively impact both inmates and prison employees.

5. There are no conclusive studies demonstrating the economic benefits of

prison construction to areas in which they are constructed.

Here is other food for thought.

\*Youngstown's prison construction boom coincided with the closing of its steel mills. Prisons are a symbol and a symptom not of economic health, but economic collapse.

\*U.S. prisons incarcerate the poor, working-class and African-American in percentages that far exceed their representation in the general population. In other words, prisons demonstrate racism and class bias in providing career opportunities for others.

For more information about prisons in the Mahoning Valley, I urge *Jambar* readers to contact the Youngstown Prison Forum at 742-1648.

Sincerely,

**BILL MULLEN**  
associate professor of English  
Black Studies Advisory Committee  
Source: *Impact*

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

# campus Activities

Student organizations wishing to have their activities covered should call 742-1991 at least 7 days in advance.

## Greeks prepare for fall recruitment

■ Recruitment involves getting to know fraternities and sororities.

CHRISTINA PALM  
Copy Editor

If you've ever wondered what the Greek system at YSU is all about, October is the month to find out. All your questions can be answered at Fall Formal Recruitment and Interfraternity Council Rush.

The theme for this year's sorority recruitment, which is Oct. 7 to 11, is "Be All You Can Be." IFC rush is Sept. 27 through Oct. 8.

At YSU there are three national sororities, five national fraternities, and one local sorority. The local chapter recruitment starts October 12.

The Panhellenic Council also has informative sessions during the first and second weeks of school to give freshmen an insight to sorority life.

During Fall Formal Recruitment, sororities set up information tables outside Kilcawley Center with pictures, letters and chapter members to answer questions.

Panhellenic Council member Lori Kolenich, senior, hospitality management, said Fall Formal Recruitment "gives freshmen an idea of what a sorority is. We let them know that there is no hazing during recruitment. It is a chance to have a lot of fun and meet a lot of people."

Along with the information tables, recruitment week involves parties on Thursday and Friday nights, skits, and philanthropy nights.

Panhellenic Council President Megan Thomas, senior, English, said, "Girls attend events all recruitment week for each national sorority and learn about

the chapters. They find out about the history of the sororities and what they do with things like community service. Through these events, the girls figure out where they are most comfortable in Greek life.

"Enrollment in sororities is down across the country. We want to try to build up our sororities and increase enrollment at YSU. We have a very unique Greek system here," said Thomas.

Each fraternity will hold one rush activity during the two weeks of IFC Rush. Also, each Thursday, all fraternities will be involved in taking interested freshmen from house to house by bus.

IFC President Robert Pernesky, junior, political science, said, "If freshmen decide to ride the buses between the fraternity houses, they have to leave when the bus leaves. We would like to make sure everyone interested in rushing sees every house.

"We are very excited about rush this year and all the possibilities it brings. We are expanding quite a bit and are excited about the changes. This will be a very productive rush," said Pernesky.

For women interested in participating in Fall Formal Recruitment, there will be informational meetings Sept. 22, 27, and 28 at 7 p.m. in Cafaro House. Parents also are welcome.

"In these meetings we will explain what a positive experience Greek life is. We assure students and parents alike that recruitment is not a degrading experience and that we do not support or condone degrading treatment," said Thomas.

Rush booklets will be available to promote Greek life. All fraternities and sororities are included in this book along with their history.

## Students greeted by Welcome Week activities

■ Activities will conclude with Party on the Plaza and Saturday's football game.

NANCY DUZZNY  
Staff Writer

A 24-foot peanut-shaped car will greet students returning to campus this week, but this is not the future of the auto industry, it is Welcome Week.

The Office of Student Life is welcoming new and returning students with activities and events across campus.

Martin Manning, associate director of Student Life, said Welcome Week is primarily targeted at new students because they need more help becoming familiar with campus, but the events are open to all students. He said, "It is important that new students establish a sense of community."

The festivities began Sunday with check in to residence halls, followed by the New Student Convocation featuring guest speaker Nancy Hunter Denney. After the convocation, each college held a reception for students and their families to meet and talk with faculty members. The Chestnut Room in Kilcawley Center was the setting for the Sunday evening entertainment, illusionist Craig Karges.

Monday and Tuesday there were presentations, campus tours, and recreational activities designed to help students get to

know the campus and one another.

Students on campus Wednesday can look for The Reactor motion simulator ride behind Kilcawley Center on University Plaza. Students interested in getting involved can meet representatives from student organizations at the Penguin Involvement Fair in the Upper Arcade of Kilcawley Center starting at 10 a.m.

Party on the Plaza, sponsored by BW-3's, begins at 9 p.m. Friday. According to manager Alan Drennen, food and beverages will be available, and local band The Rage will perform. Party on the Plaza is open to all ages, said Drennen, but patrons 21 and over must show ID to receive a wristband that will allow them to buy alcohol.

Student Government is sponsoring a Welcome Back Tailgate Party on Veteran's Plaza in front of Beeghly Center at 4:30 p.m. According to Student Government President Bob Harvey, members of student government will staff the cookout. He said YSU students with ID are welcome to stop by for some food and to get to know their representatives to Student Government.

Welcome Week concludes with the YSU football game against Western Illinois at 7 p.m. in Stambaugh Stadium.

## Homecoming strikes up activities on campus

■ Events for the week include photos, interactive video and contests.

SABRINA SCHROEDER  
Editor in Chief

YSU's 1999 Homecoming Week, "Ice Wars, The Penguin Strikes Out," begins Sunday, Oct. 10 with a pool party at 5:30 p.m. in the Beeghly Natatorium.

The party kicks off a week filled with 15 other activities leading to the 4 p.m., Oct. 16 game against Cal-Poly, when YSU's king and queen will be crowned during halftime.

Voting for the homecoming court will take place Sept. 28 and 29 on the second floor of Kilcawley Center.

Greg Gulas, assistant director of student activities and homecoming advisor, said, "Our committee has put together an aggressive week of festivities, and they are to be complimented for the hard work they have done throughout the summer months. This is shaping up as a fun week, and we hope that all of the students would take part in the many events that will be offered."

A 35-member committee helped plan the week with committee chair, Ed Ross, junior, speech communication.

"I have no complaints; everything went smoothly," Ross said.

"June was our big planning time and everything fell into place mid-July," he added.

Monday, Oct. 11 brings "Funny Fotos" to the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"These were very successful last year, which is why we decided to bring them back," Ross said.

Also on Monday, a Surge sampling tour present-

ed by Student Advantage will be in the campus core from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with a food contest sponsored by Peaberry's taking place from noon to 1 p.m.

Hot FM 101 will be at Arby's from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 12 for Arby's roast beef eating contest at 11:15 a.m. The "Dash for Dollars" game show is scheduled from noon to 1:30 p.m. in Kilcawley's Chestnut Room.

On Wednesday, Oct. 13, "Starflix," a totally interactive video, is scheduled to be in Kilcawley's Chestnut Room from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"We are the first school to have Starflix on our campus. It is computer generated karaoke where you make a music video as you sing," Ross said.

Papa John's is sponsoring a pizza-eating contest from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Kilcawley Center arcade.

The Newman Center is sponsoring a "Cook Out and Ice Cream" party from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. with a DJ on hand for swing dance lessons.

"Zap Attack Laser Tag" will come to the campus core from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14 with Y-103 FM broadcasting a live remote. YSU's own version of "The Dating Game" will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Peaberry's.

Red and White Spirit Day will take place Friday, Oct. 15. Judging of participating offices will be completed by 1 p.m. BW-3's will sponsor a wing-ding-eating contest at 11:30 a.m., which will take place either in the Kilcawley Center Arcade or Peaberry's.

Party on the Plaza with The Rage and DJ Simply Ed will begin at 4 p.m. Friday.

The annual homecoming parade starts at 2 p.m., Oct. 16, followed by the 4 p.m. kickoff of the football game.

## Homecoming Nominees

### King Candidates

Darren Carducci	Justin Parrock
Santana Crespo Jr.	Robert Pavalko
Brian Laraway	Mike Ray
Don Mitchell	Stan Sarna
Ralph Morrone	

### Queen Candidates

Kendra Bailey	Christine Novicky
Angela Barwick	Elizabeth Pash
Tricia Beaudis	Kerri Peachock
Jaime Cech	Susan Reese
Angela Coutris	Sarah Root
Bethany Flores	Joelle Sayhoun
Lori Kolenich	Megan Thomas
Tara Mauch	

**Vote all day Monday  
and Tuesday in  
Kilcawley Center**



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(Division of Student Life)

FALL 1999



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742-3488

Satellite Office  
Beeghly, Rm. 210  
742-3656

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### INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Men's, Women's, and Co-Rec



#### TEAM SPORTS



Sport	Registration Deadline	Captain's Meeting	Play Begins
Flag Football	Oct 5	Oct 7	Oct 9
Floor Hockey	Oct 12	Oct 14	Oct 18
Water Polo	Oct 12	Oct 14	Oct 19
Volleyball Tourn.	Oct 19	Oct 21	Oct 22
Basketball Tourn.	Nov 23	Dec 2	Dec 3, 10

NOTE: Captains Meetings are held at 6:00pm in Beeghly Room 104A



#### INDIVIDUAL AND DUAL



Sport	Registration Deadline	Pick Up Schedule	Play Begins
Tennis Singles	Sept 30	Oct 1	Oct 2 & 3
Racquetball Singles	Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 25 & 27
Table Tennis	Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 26 & 28

Registration in Beeghly Room 103, 742-3488

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Mon - Fri	11am - 2pm 5 pm - 9pm
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OPEN RECREATION SWIM  
(Open to immediate family)

(Note: All children must be accompanied & supervised by an adult.)

Sat & Sun	12 Noon - 3:45pm
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### Aerobics/Fitness

#### DROP-IN SESSIONS

OCTOBER 5 - DECEMBER 4

(NO FEE FOR Y.S.U. STUDENTS, FACULTY, & STAFF)

DAYS	TIME	PROGRAM	RM
MON	2 PM-3 PM	STEP-HI/LO	100
	4:05-5:05PM	SCULPT	119
	7:45-8:45PM	STEP	325/329
	TBA	TAI CHI	TBA
TUES	2PM - 3PM	KICKBOXING	100
	3PM - 3:50PM	YOGA	119
	7:45PM - 8:45PM	KICKBOXING	119
WED	2 PM - 3 PM	STEP-HI/LO	100
	4PM - 5PM	SCULPT	119
	6PM - 7PM	STEP	119
	TBA	TAI CHI	TBA
THURS	2PM - 3PM	KICKBOXING	100
	3PM - 3:50PM	YOGA	119
	7:45PM - 8:45PM	KICKBOXING	119
FRI	12NOON - 1PM	KICKBOXING	100

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## Q2S looms over YSU

■ Students need to prepare for the transition.

EILEEN CATANZARO  
Assistant Copy Editor

The clock is ticking and time is running out. Less than a year remains before the implementation of the semester system at YSU, which begins Aug. 28, 2000.

Dr. Nancy White, psychology, chairwoman of the Q2S committee, advises students who will be caught in the transition to begin preparing now.

"Students need to begin talking to their advisers. If they have sequence courses to take, they need to complete them now, or not begin them until the semester system starts," she said.

To help students determine what they need to make a smooth transition from quarters to semesters, "Q2S Student Information Guides" were printed and placed around campus during the last academic year.

An updated guide is in the

printing process and will be ready for distribution during fall quarter, according to White.

White said this student guide contains a list of courses that have been deleted from the curriculum under the semester system.

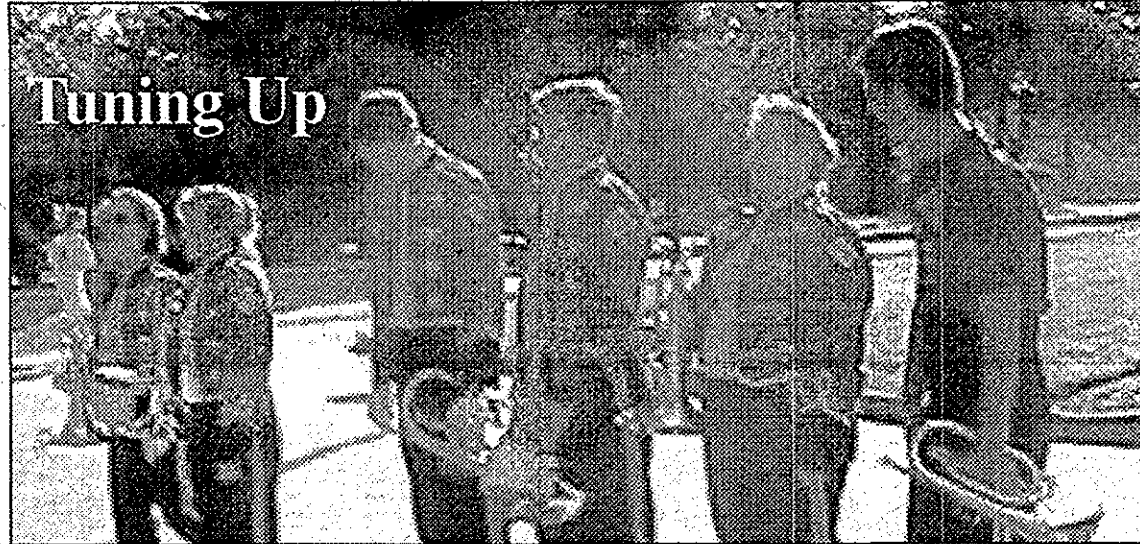
Although the list will be updated as each department adjusts its curriculum and changes are made, White stated more than 500 courses have been deleted.

"Everything is not approved, but the guide is a useful tool for students," White said.

"The students really need to contact their departments," he said.

While the committee, faculty and staff have been preparing for semesters, White advises students to become involved in the preparations.

In addition to the student guides, information about the transition is also available on YSU's Web site.



**PERFORMANCE PREPARATION:** Members of YSU's band prepare for "Band Night" Tuesday at Stambaugh Stadium. Area high school bands participated in the event sponsored by the Warren Junior Military Band.

Chris E. Housler, The Jambar

## Presidential search continues

■ Search should be completed by January 2000.

MEGAN E. WALSH  
News Editor

YSU, with assistance from a nonprofit consultation service, is searching for a sixth president to lead the university through the new millennium.

The Academic Search Consultation Service (ACSC) is an organization based in Washington D.C. that assists colleges and universities nationwide in searches for presidents, chancellors, and senior academic officers.

According to Allan Ostar, senior consultant assisting YSU, people who have devoted their professional time to higher education founded ACSC in 1976.

"We are not headhunters. We help universities conduct their searches, so the campus committees are very important," he said.

ACSC does over 400 searches per year and has maintained an exemplary record, according to Ostar.

He added that within those 400 searches, no consultant may work on more than three searches at a time to ensure a high quality, personal consultation.

"Ninety-eight percent of the individuals placed with our service in the past six years have remained in the position, and 80 percent in the past 10 years," Ostar said.

According to Karen Martin-Shramm, executive secretary of the search committee for Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, the presidential search completed at

her college in 1999 was very successful.

"We had an emergency situation because our president died of cancer during his term. It only took five months to appoint a new president with the help of Academic Search. We couldn't have done it without them," she said.

Ostar also said that ACSC was very successful in attracting a diverse group of candidates, such as women, people of color, and nontraditional candidates.

According to Michael Adams, chair of the presidential search committee for Simpson University in Indianola, Iowa, ACSC worked efficiently for the university's 1999 search.

"It went exceedingly well. Our consultant was very familiar with our school, and the process went like clockwork. It was a good experience and we selected the best candidate we could," Adams said.

ACSC's search services include a pre-search study, which is a set of interviews done at the college or university to determine the most critical needs of the institution. This study was completed at YSU in May, according to a letter to *The Jambar* dated Sept. 16 from Y.T. Chiu, chairperson of YSU's Presidential Search Advisory Committee.

Then each search committee receives the study and creates a list of qualities to look for in candidates that address the needs of the

university. This was completed by YSU's committee on July 7 and approved by the board of trustees on July 26.

According to Ostar, the next step is advertising for the position, a process already started by YSU's committee. A letter to community members and organizations interested in nominating someone for the position was sent, and included the list of qualities and a brochure describing YSU. The advertisement has also appeared in the *Chronicle for Higher Education* and several other diverse magazines. Ostar and his colleagues will also nominate four or five other possible candidates for the job.

The search continues with a review of the candidates' credentials and reference checking of 12 to 15 candidates. Of the candidates chosen from this process, six to 10 of them will go through a neutral-site interview. The search is then broken down to four to six candidates who will visit the campus to interact with the university community. Then YSU's board of trustees chooses one of the candidates to fill the position, according to Ostar.

The timeline for YSU's search shows that the committee will meet sometime this week to train and practice screening candidates' credentials.

YSU's search for its sixth president should be completed by early January, according to the timeline.

### Q2S QUIZ

*Students who can answer these questions are on their way to a smooth transition. All answers can be found in the Q2S Student Information Guide and will be revealed in Tuesday's issue of The Jambar.*

1. What is an Academic Program Completion Course?
2. What is an APCOG? (Here's a hint: Academic Program Completion Guideline)
3. Where do students get them and what is their use?
4. What is a completion formula?
5. What is a credit conversion?
6. What is an Individual Completion Plan?
7. What is Option Q? Option S? What is the relationship between Semester courses and Quarter courses?
8. When does the first fall semester start?
9. How will the transition from quarters to semesters affect a student's grade point average?
10. Will students be affected negatively by the transition?


SOURCE: Q2S STUDENT INFORMATION GUIDE

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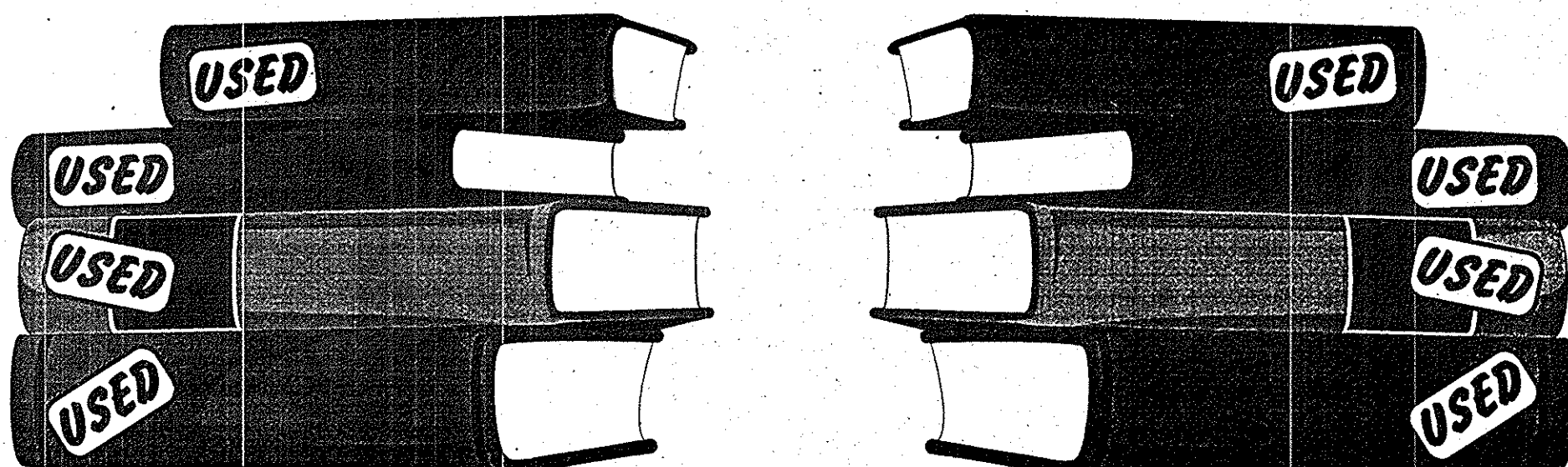
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# YSU Web site addresses Y2K

■ University is preparing for the turn of the century.

**NANCY DUZZNY**  
Staff Writer

Computer users who want to exterminate the millennium bug can address Y2K concerns at the YSU Year 2000 Task Force Web site.

The Task Force Web site is linked to the YSU home page. In addition to complete information about the progress of the Task Force, there are lists of software products and peripheral equipment with links to manufacturer sites. Users can check their own software, printers, scanners, and other equipment for year 2000 compliance by linking to those sites.

Donna Esterly, executive director of computing and information systems, said, "We wanted to have information available that could help individuals not only on campus but in their lives."

According to Esterly, addressing the Y2K problem has had some benefits.

"It has been an opportunity to explain some of the semi-technical information the user should take

responsibility for, such as backing up files," she said.

Esterly said computers are common and easy to use, but Y2K enabled her to show users some of the things they can do more easily.

The mainframe computers have already been tested, and will continue to be monitored until the end of February when the leap year occurs, according to the Task Force Web site. According to a report Esterly presented to the YSU board of trustees, over 2,200 decentralized computers on campus have been tested, including computers in staff and faculty offices and in student labs. More than 98 percent are compliant or have been made compliant by installing a software patch.

Michael Orto, manager of facilities maintenance, said, "Everything that manages heating, lighting, and air control has been updated."

A central computer controls the heating and cooling systems on campus. The task force successfully tested these systems for compliance, and there is a manual backup

for the HVAC system. Orto said his department does not foresee any problems, but staff does monitor these systems 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The Task Force also investigated systems on campus that could be affected by microprocessors, such as alarm systems, fire alarms and sprinklers. The Task Force Web site indicates the millennium bug will not affect the fire sprinkler system because it does not rely on microprocessors. Simplex, the manufacturer of the fire alarm system, has issued a disclosure statement that the alarms are year 2000 compliant.

The cost to YSU for year 2000 compliance cannot be assessed completely because of the labor hours involved since preparations began early in 1997. Two temporary programmer/analysts were hired to assist with year 2000 compliance, and many other employees have contributed hours of work on the Y2K problem. However, the software and hardware patches installed on non-compliant computers were downloaded at no cost.

## Contract

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dents are being used as they always have been.

According to Brennan, other problems with the new contracts are that it fails to address concerns with the declining number of classified employees at YSU and the university should promote from within ACE rather than from outside of YSU.

The most significant terms of the new agreement include a section on vacancies, transfers and promotions. If three qualified ACE employees apply for a vacant classified position the university is obligated to grant them an interview. However, if fewer than three

ACE employees apply then their applications are considered in the same way as all other applicants, according to Brennan.

"We were hoping to free up internal promotion, but we were not as successful as we'd like to be," he said.

Another significant term is a nine percent wage increase over three years. According to Hirsch, it is broken down to two percent the first year and three and a half percent both the second and third years.

"I am pleased that the university was able to offer salary increases that will allow YSU to maintain equity with classified staff throughout Ohio," Hirsch said.

Layoff and recall was another main term of the new contract. The university now gives the union 60 calendar days rather than 45 in the event of a layoff. This is extended from 48 to 63 if notice is mailed. The university can no longer use retention points from job evaluations for the classified employees, according to Brennan.

"That was a major bone of contention. We were so happy to get that changed," he said.

Contracting outside of YSU will be consulted with the union if bargaining unit member jobs are threatened. The union has an opportunity to make a proposal, but the university makes the final decision. This may eliminate positions but not people, Hirsch said.


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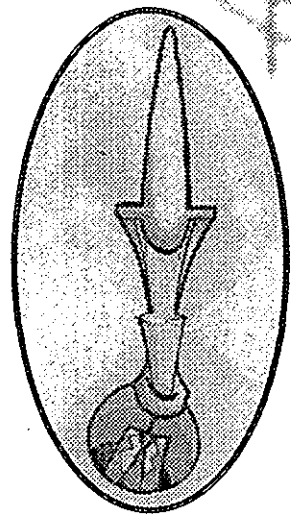
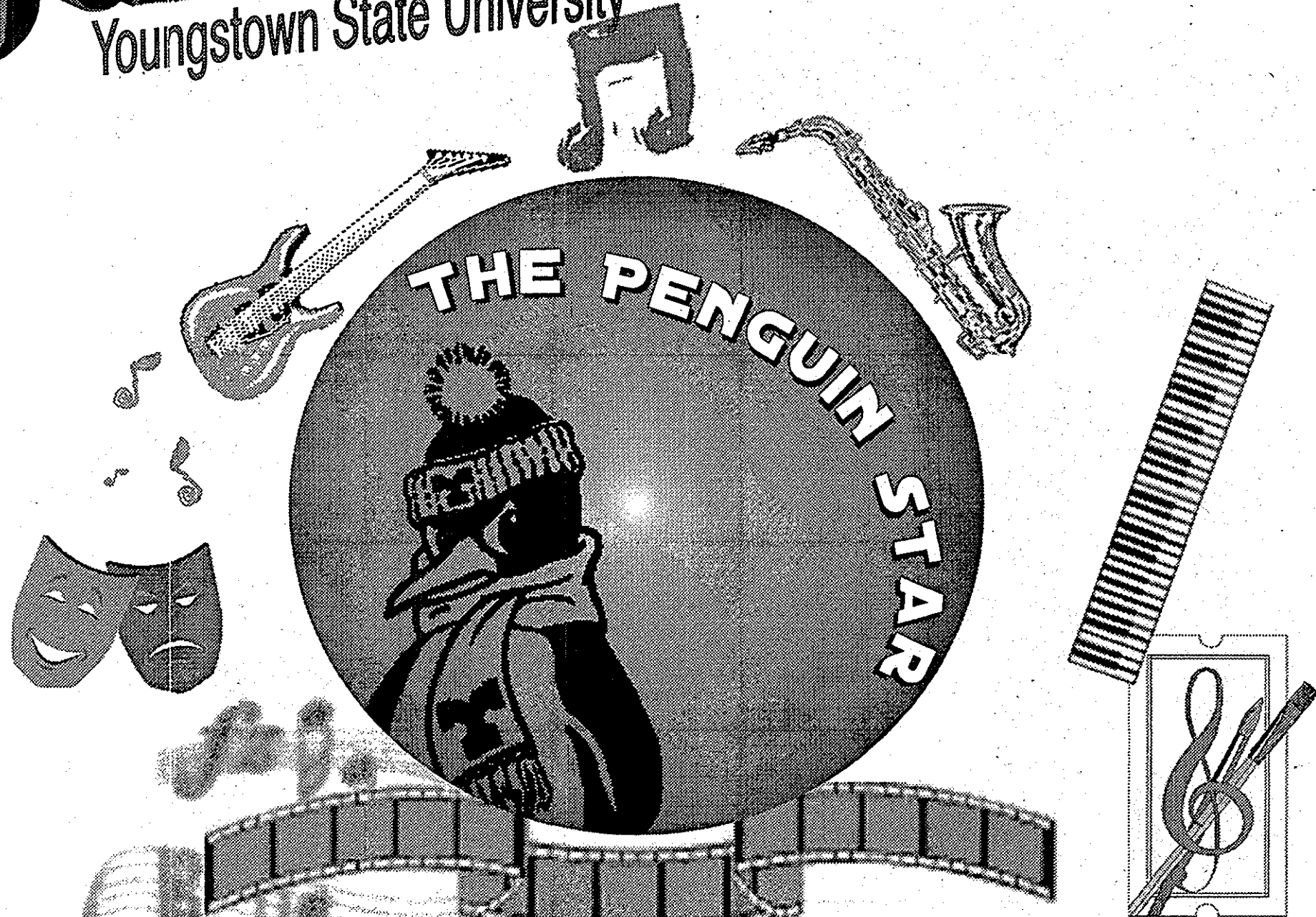


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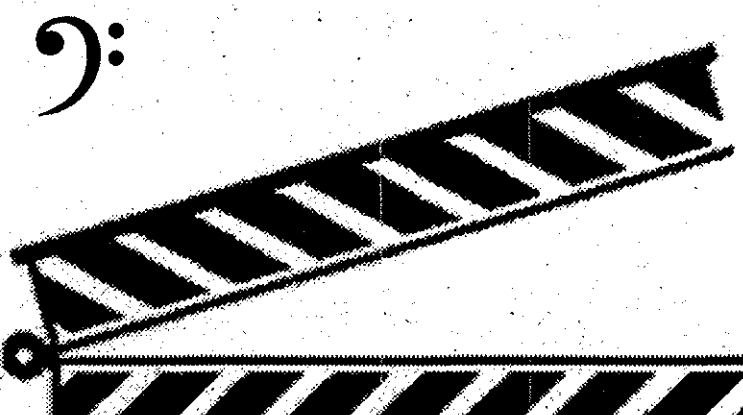


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## Album brings positive message to the dark side

By Amanda Smith

Entertainment Editor

It's nasty and it grows on its listeners like fungus on dead wood.

No, it's not some bizarre viral infection transmitted by sound waves. It's Coal Chamber's new release, *Chamber Music*.

Oozing with evil and dripping with darkness, the album throws a surprising curveball at its fans.

It has a positive message.

In "Tyler's Song," a tune written for the lead singer's son, Dez Fafara shores up family values: "Respect you mother/Always think of her first."

A positive message is consistent throughout the entire album, and applies to everyone. It urges individuality. "Don't compromise your own ideas for anyone else" is heard clearly. "What's in Your Mind" also seems to push listeners toward freethinking.

Yeah, they're angry. Yeah, they're scary. But they're angry and scary and heavy and dark with a very positive message.

The band's sophomore effort blends the heavy, dark guitar sounds from the first album and adds an eerie, unsettling keyboard element. This new sound is personified in "Burgundy." Added to their special blend from the first album on "Burgundy" is a lilting female voice that follows a separate melody line behind Fafara's low, almost monotone lyrics.

"What have you done for me lately?" he questions, and the female voice drops out, as if she never existed.

"Tell me," he demands. The effect is unearthly at best, downright ominous at



Despite numerous setbacks and delays in production, Coal Chamber brought forth *Chamber Music*, the band's sophomore effort.

worst.

The album keeps getting better. Starting out with an incorporeal chamber music style arrangement for strings, a spooky, accusing mood is set for the entire CD.

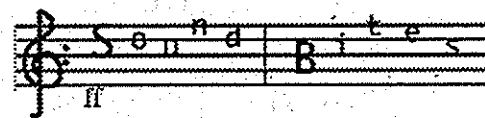
Momentum builds and the listener starts to get the idea that they are the cause of all society's ills.

When "My Mercy" comes around, the momentum of well-placed guilt and blame has reached such a heightened peak that a

little bit of relief and mercy is much appreciated.

By the time "Anything But You" comes belting out, Fafara has sufficiently unsettled the listener and left a lasting impression that follows the listener around. The pounding bass line and haunting lyrics become lodged in the skull and refuse to be shaken out.

And that positive message of respect and free will still comes shining through the darkness, like the sun on a cloudy day.



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## Despite a few smiley-face bubble gum moments, Vitamin C is good for you

By Amanda Smith

Entertainment Editor

She calls her attitude, "The girl-next-door-you-think-you-know." She has orange hair. She is Vitamin C.

The new CD released from Elektra is pop at its purest, counting Madonna and the Clash among its roots.

The self-titled debut album begins with sweet innocence in "Smile," a playful bubble gum style tune, featuring reggae's Lady Saw. The album takes a turn towards the depressing in sad-girl sob story "Unhappy Anniversary," a tune chronicling a messy breakup. "It's hard to go on like everything's ok now/When inside I still cry for yesterday."

This depressing mood doesn't last for long; Vitamin C bounces back with slightly defensive, more than slightly nasty "Not That Kind of Girl," when she switches from defining who she is ("Me Myself, and I") and sings about who she isn't ("I'm not the kind of girl/Thinks you can rule my world/With just a simple wave of your hand").

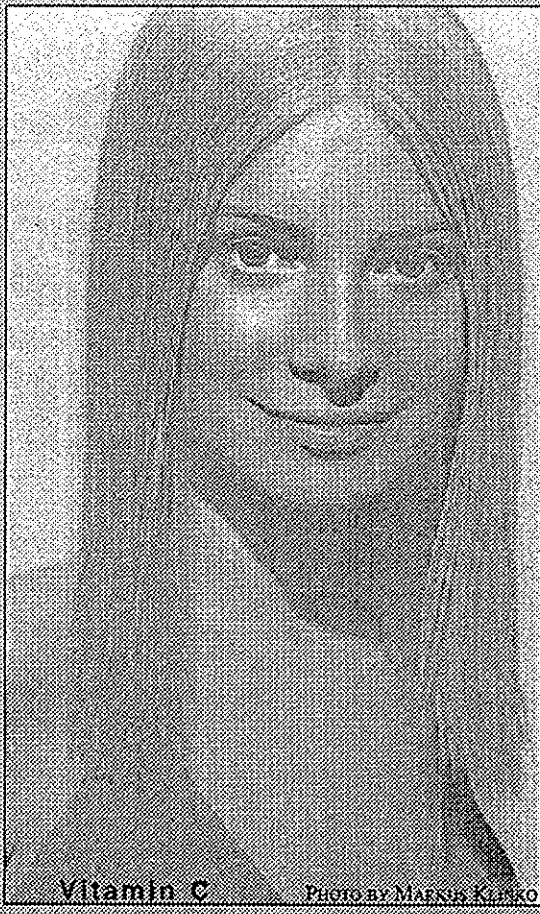
The overall happy-go-lucky mood of the album returns in "About Last Night" and "Graduation." Then VC takes a dip into the dark side of the boy-girl relationship theme in "I Got You," a sinister, discordant piece about a possessive, abusive relationship.

Although the album tends to rely heavily on relationships of the bad sort, VC belts out the ups ("Smile") and downs ("Fear of Flying") in a variety of musical styles. The album is like a child going through her mother's wardrobe: a new style is tried on for size and then discarded every five minutes.

VC's music is just like a new relationship she sings so much about: sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't. Her take on "A Material Girl" is found in "Money." While equally materialistic, "I wish it was love/But it's not, it's... money" just can't compete with the original material girl in a material world.

VC has her shining moments in "About Last Night" and the dripping with nastiness ego trip in "Fear of Flying." The lyrics "Me, me, me, that's the way it's gotta be," and "I will drive into your brain" show the male figure in her life she is in control, regardless of what he may think.

The album chronicles the journey of a young artist's attempt to rise to the top. At times whimsical, at times struggling, and at others questioning her own motives, Vitamin C's debut album is a well-rounded attempt to break into the industry.



Vitamin C PHOTO BY MAENUS KLIPKO



Type O Negative's new CD, *World Coming Down*, was released Sept. 21. The band is scheduled to perform at the Odeon in Cleveland Sept. 29.

## Type O Negative doesn't quite live up to expectations in new album, 'World Coming Down'

By Amanda Smith

Entertainment Editor

Despite a musical preoccupation with the human body ("Sinus," "Liver," and "Lung"), Type O Negative's new release, *World Coming Down*, darkly depicts the angst-ridden glimpse of a gothic life.

The first cut, "Sinus," is nothing more than a very lifelike sound bite of a pair of tortured nasal cavities. It leads into "White Slavery," a drawn-out ditty depicting cocaine use: "Let me say Pepsi generation/A few lines of misinformation/Watch your money flow away oh so quick/To kill yourself properly coke is it."

In an album painted with death, epitomized in "Everything Dies" as well as several reminder lyrics throughout the album, Type O Negative throws in a resurrection of sorts for a change of pace in "Creepy Green Light." Drunken and depressed on his love's grave, the narrator of this gothic ballad either commits suicide and joins his beloved ("I find myself drawn to her shadow domain") or she rises from the grave to meet

him ("she wakes/The soil splits").

The second body part to sit in the spot light is the liver, the archaic seat of human courage. The sounds emanating from this liver, however, are anything but courageous; this particular liver is running and hiding. It leads into a song about cowardice.

A set of screaming, then dying "Lungs" on a hospital bed leads into "Pyretta Blaze," a bitter song about a woman that will consume and burn the singer... but he enjoys it: "I'm her slave/Living for her to ignite."

Despite some shining moments in "Pyretta Blaze" and in "Day Tripper," a medley originating in the Beatles' repertoire, the CD is dark and dangerous and easily accessible to those who can't quite keep up with the Goth culture of today.

Death is the ebony thread woven throughout *World Coming Down*. Like a medieval tapestry, the album displays a lifetime of human misery and shortcomings that all culminate in man's inevitable end.

Just don't listen to it alone on a dark and rainy night.



# "For Love of the Game" bats a homerun

By Amanda Smith  
Entertainment Editor

Step onto the mound and into the mind of the game's greatest pitcher in Universal Studio's new release, "For Love of the Game."

Kevin Costner stars as Billy Chapel, heart and soul of the Detroit Tigers. In a day quickly going from bad to worse, Chapel must make an unscheduled start (despite an aching arm), learns his team was sold, and is traded by the new owners after a twenty-year career with the Tigers.

Then his girlfriend leaves him. Jane Aubery, played by Kelly Preston, receives a job offer she can't refuse in London. Her flight leaves on game day, and she tells Chapel that morning. She doesn't think it will have too much of an affect on his game. After all, Chapel can win or lose the game on his own. "You and the ball and the diamond," she says, "you're perfect."

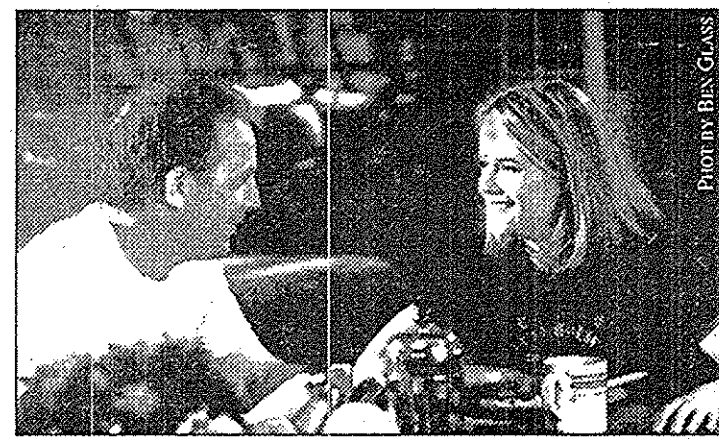
The final game of the season takes on a monumental aspect. Chapel stands at the crossroads of his career as he climbs the mound: he can play the next season in a new uniform, or call it quits and retire with team owner Gary Wheeler (Brian Cox), his long-time friend.

"For Love of the Game" offers a viewer an anatomy of a pitcher's brain. His body a sophisticated machine, Chapel unwittingly chases after the pitchers' dream, the elusive perfect game, while his mind wanders back over the past few years of his life and career. All he can think about is Jane.

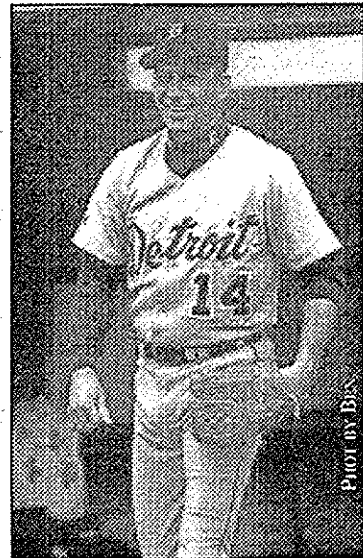
As he enters the final game of the season and possibly his career, all Chapel can see is himself, catcher Gus Sinski (John C. Reilly), the baseball in his hands, and his memories. Chapel knows the end of the ninth will bring far more than victory or defeat; he faces a decision affecting the rest of his life.

Costner ("The Postman," "Waterworld") and Preston ("Frost," "Jerry Maguire") toss up what is sure to be an award winning performance in "For Love of the Game." Director Sam Raimi ("A Simple Plan") and producer Armyan Bernstein deliver a powerful movie adaptation of Michael Shaara's book. Dana Steven's screenplay not only offers a bittersweet romance between an unlikely pair to captivate the audience, but the baseball action leaves the sports fans begging for more as Chapel makes decisions that will shape his life as an athlete and a man.

The movie does not flounder in obscure baseball lingo; it makes the national past time accessible even to moviegoers who don't know the difference between a 1-3 out and a pop fly.



Kevin Costner and Kelly Preston star in Universal's newest release, "For Love of the Game."



Costner

A stellar soundtrack from MCA records, featuring Semisonic, Joan Osborne, Lyle Lovett, and Johnny Lang, compliments the onscreen heroics of Costner and Preston.

Whether the viewer is a baseball enthusiast or just barely aware of the sport, "For Love of the Game" is sure to hit a grand slam into the hearts of the American public.

## UP AND COMING

### Frank Sinatra Jr. to play at Stambaugh Auditorium

By Amanda Smith  
Entertainment Editor

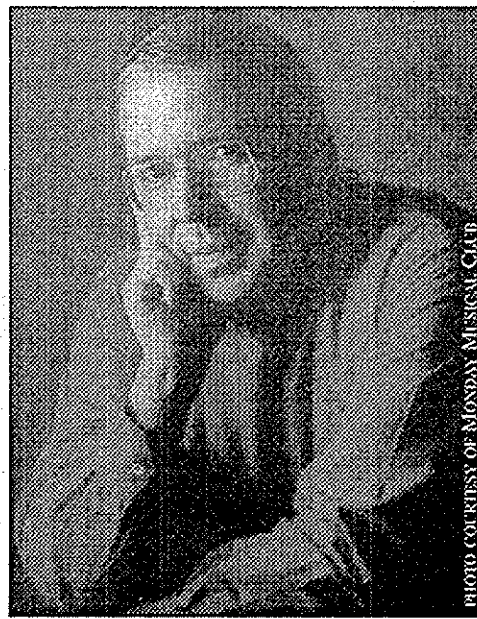
It's been a quarter of a century since his last visit, but Ol' Blue Eyes Jr. is coming back to Youngstown.

Frank Sinatra Jr. will be appearing at Stambaugh Auditorium Friday, through the courtesy of the Monday Musical Club. He is stopping in Ohio for one show only after completing filming in New York. Sinatra will move on to Michigan and finally Atlantic City after his appearance here.

Sinatra is bringing his 21-piece band along for the show. In the age of the great swing revival, his band has been doing it all along.

"Fifty years ago, there were two orchestras, Ed Sauter and Bill Finigan, of the Sauter-Finigan Orchestra," he said. "They took a big band sound and added French horn and percussion. They added timpani, vibraphone, and all the toys, producing quite a unique sound. That is the sound I've always wanted."

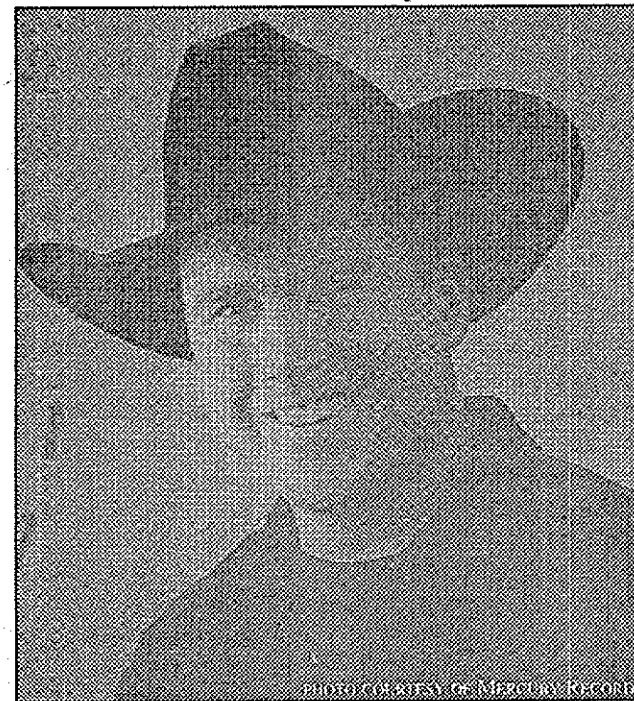
Sinatra began his career in 1963, appearing in Manhattan with the Tommy Dorsey Band. He went on to produce several albums and later worked as his father's musical director and concert conductor. According to Sinatra, this was a learning experience, but a very challenging one all



the same. "We used to have a joke on stage," he said, "that he never did anything the same way once. There was nothing you could depend on being the same from show to show."

Sinatra said his show is relatively consistent. "You can depend on my show," he said. He promises a good show for the Youngstown jazz community.

"If they like jazz, they'll like this show," he said. "It's a fun show."



Rodney Carrington

## Comedian to perform at Holiday Inn

By Amanda Smith  
Entertainment Editor

The writer of "A Letter to My Penis" is coming to Youngstown Thursday. Comedian Rod Carrington is performing a one-night only show at the Holiday Inn Metroplex.

CD-106 is responsible for bringing the famous comedian to Youngstown. Program director Chris Patrick said she's looking forward to the event. "He's one of our most requested comedians," she said. "I'm looking forward just to seeing him."

Wolf Packers know Carrington by his songs played on WNCD, such as "Letter to My Penis" and "The Snowman Song." His standup act, as released on Rodney Carrington Live includes skits on potentially touchy subjects such as marital infidelity, topless bars, and being hung over at a religious revival.

He's crude, bawdy, and raunchy. He reels off tales of going to heaven and to religious revivals drunk. In the next breath, he spins off an anecdote lamenting bad credit, a woman with a wooden leg, and garage sale

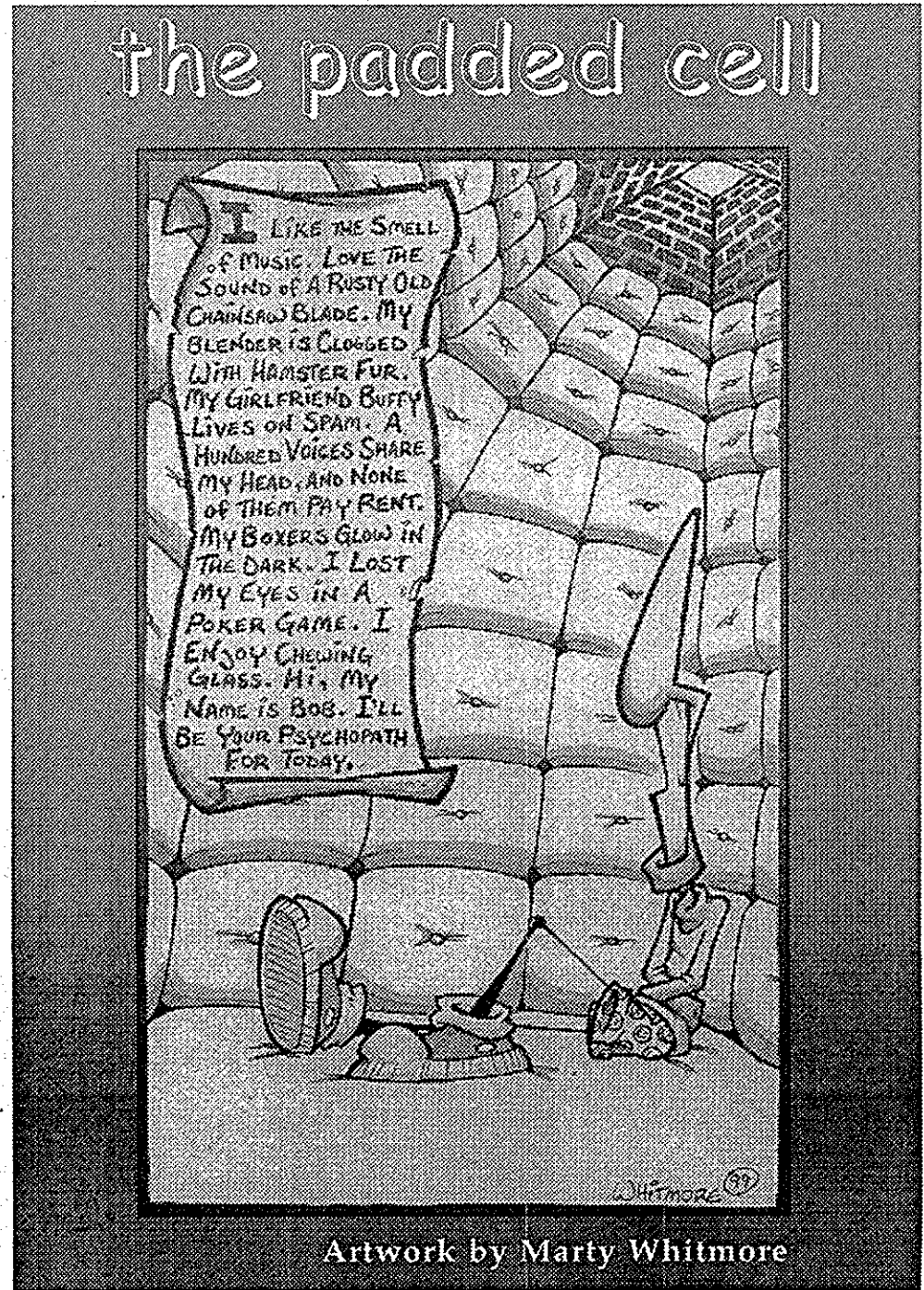
shopping with his wife.

Carrington spins his stories and tells his tales in a Texas drawl and wears a cowboy hat. He occasionally spoofs names like Garth Brooks and Hank Williams, Jr. Some of his listeners classify him as country, but the topics he covers have an appeal for listeners of all musical tastes.

The comedian recently cut an album with Mercury Records. He currently has two albums under his belt: Hangin' with Rodney and the prequel album, Live. Live is available from Platinum Nashville.

Carrington originally aspired to an acting career. He discovered his comic talent when his audience laughed as he ad-libbed his lines in junior college.

He's come a long way since those ad-libbing days. He's a regular on nationally syndicated radio shows like the "Bob and Tom Show" and "John Boy and Billy." He tends to appear in areas where there is a "Bob and Tom" market. Patrick said tickets for the show are selling well, and she is looking forward to the show herself. "I think we'll laugh a lot," she said.



Artwork by Marty Whitmore



# YSU heats up to 98 degrees WELCOME WEEK '99

**By Lynn Nickels**  
*Contributing Writer*

Student Government pulled off the long-awaited concert at YSU — a feat tried in the past but without total success.

The group 98° performed to a near sell-out crowd, more than 5,500 screaming fans, at Beeghly Center Aug. 25.

Student Government President Robert Harvey said a combination of factors contributed to the success of the project.

"It's not easy to host a concert. There are a lot of costs. In this case, the promoter, John Roth, contacted Greg Gulas in student activities and expressed an interest in holding a concert here. The group had dates to fill up and they fell during that time. 98° agreed to make a profit only from ticket sales and we provided security, which made it a very attractive deal."

Harvey said normally bands want a guaranteed amount of money, whether 5,000 or just 100 people show up. He said YSU just doesn't have those kinds of resources. This group, on the other hand, agreed to take whatever was made in ticket sales.

But being who they are — one of the top boy bands of the decade — 98° had to know they would make money, and they did.

Opening their show with each member inside a Star Trek transporter-like contrap-

tion filled with smoke, dressed in white, donning soccer masks, these four guys were not just singers but overall entertainers.

Singing many of the hits they're known for, the group also delighted the older crowd in the audience by singing their renditions of songs by artists of another time. The Temptations and Prince songs were excellent, showing off the group's vocal talents. And of course, there's the dancing. How these guys can jump around and sing at the same time is purely a mystery.

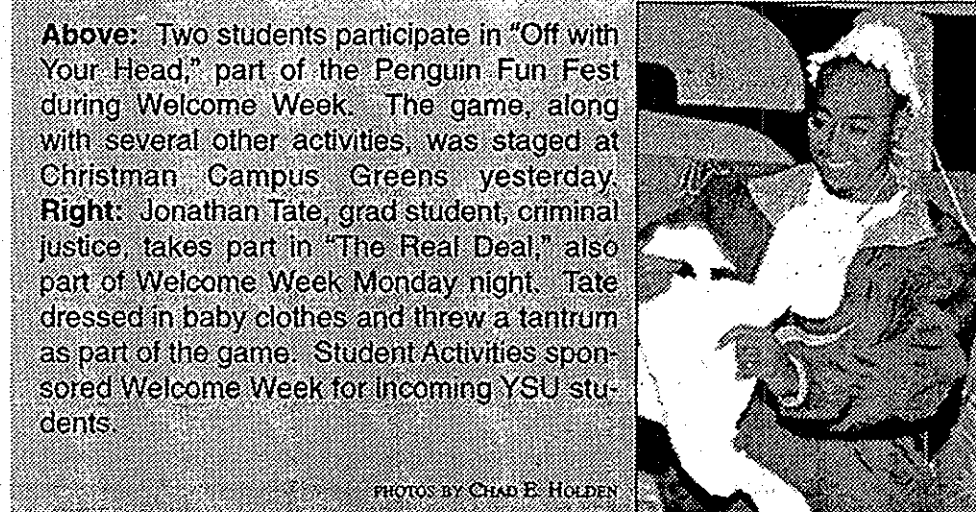
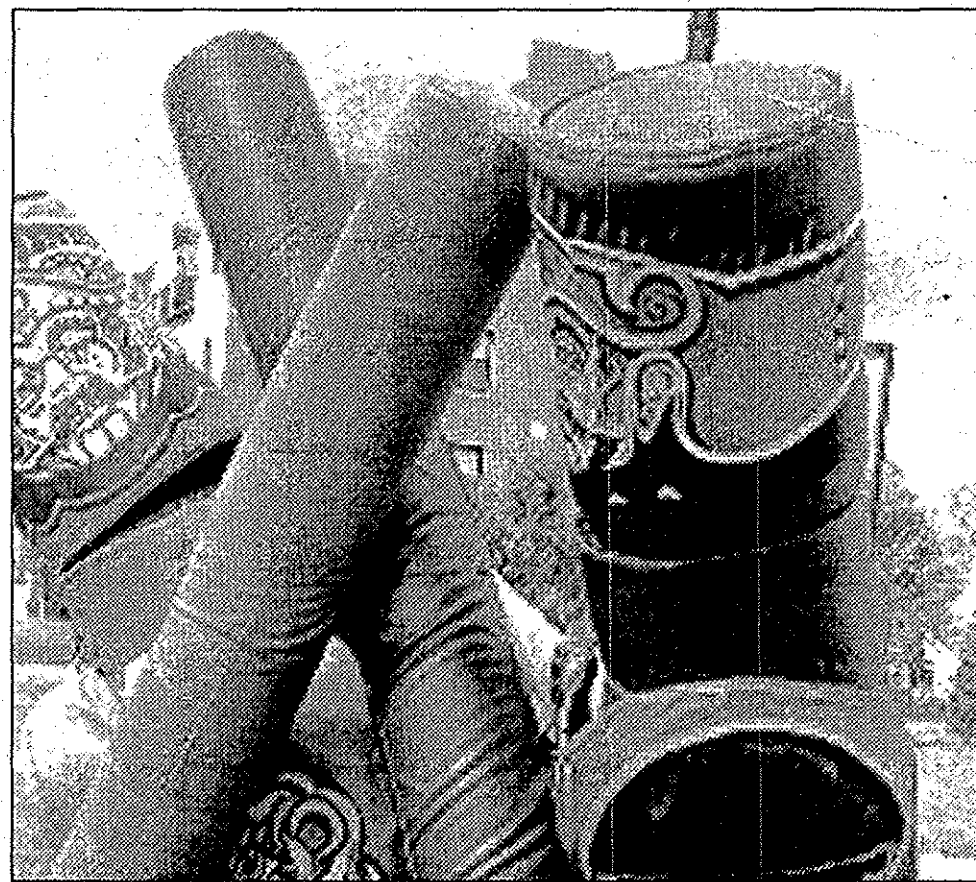
Justin, Jeff, Nick and Drew were definitely a hit in Youngstown. And probably the best part about it was that it was real family entertainment.

The group Duo opened for the band, singing just a few of their songs. Also very good dancers, these two guys were a little racier in their dance moves, although the crowd didn't seem to mind.

Harvey said due to the success of the show, Roth would like to bring other bands to Beeghly in the future, perhaps as soon as winter quarter.

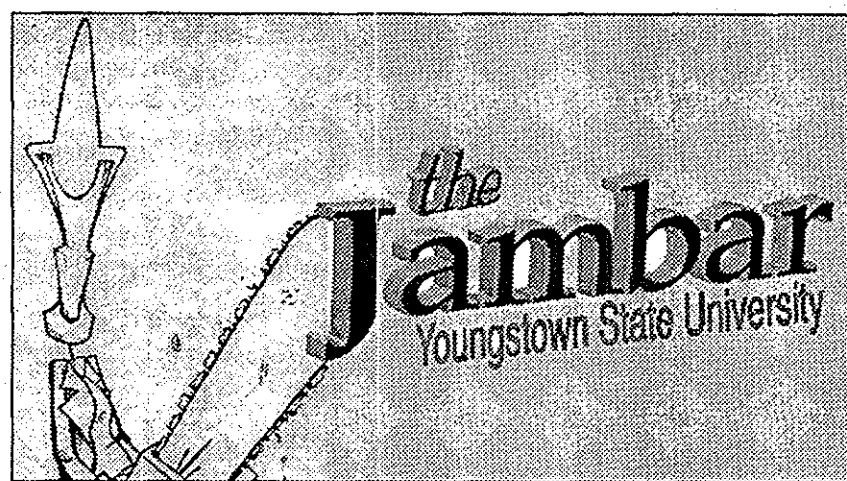
If the bands are current and have a following, the next project should be a success as well.

It's unfortunate that past bands brought to Beeghly were at the height of their careers over two decades ago, which was definitely a factor in the unsuccessfulness of those shows.



**Above:** Two students participate in "Off with Your Head," part of the Penguin Fun Fest during Welcome Week. The game, along with several other activities, was staged at Christmas Campus Greens yesterday. **Right:** Jonathan Tate, grad student, criminal justice, takes part in "The Real Deal," also part of Welcome Week Monday night. Tate dressed in baby clothes and threw a tantrum as part of the game. Student Activities sponsored Welcome Week for incoming YSU students.

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Senior volleyball player Vickie Robinson has been named Mid-Con Player of the Week.

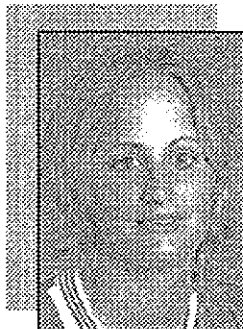
# Sports

The Penguin football team sits at No. 18 on the TSN I-AA College Football Poll.

## Success helps lady netters to look on to conference foe

JAMIE LYNN REESH  
Sports Editor

Despite the success the women's volleyball team has had this season, the team is focused on getting to the next level, which means knocking down Mid-Continent Conference front runner, Oral Roberts.



**Robinson**  
Coach Joe Conroy... "The team to beat is Oral Roberts."

The women head out on the road Friday to play the University of Missouri-Kansas City and hit Oral Roberts Saturday.

The women are coming off a win at the Drexel Tournament, defeating Rider 15-7, 15-11, 15-0. They fell to Princeton, 16-18, 15-10, 11-15, 12-15 in the earlier contest. They also fell to St. Peter's in a five game set of 15-8, 13-15, 11-15, 15-6, 10-15.

Senior Vickie Robinson was named to the All-Tournament team at the event.

The Lady Penguins took first-place honors at the Bucknell Tournament, defeating Bucknell and Iona, both in straight set matches. Robinson and sophomore setter Melissa Lyczkowski were both selected to the All-Tournament team.

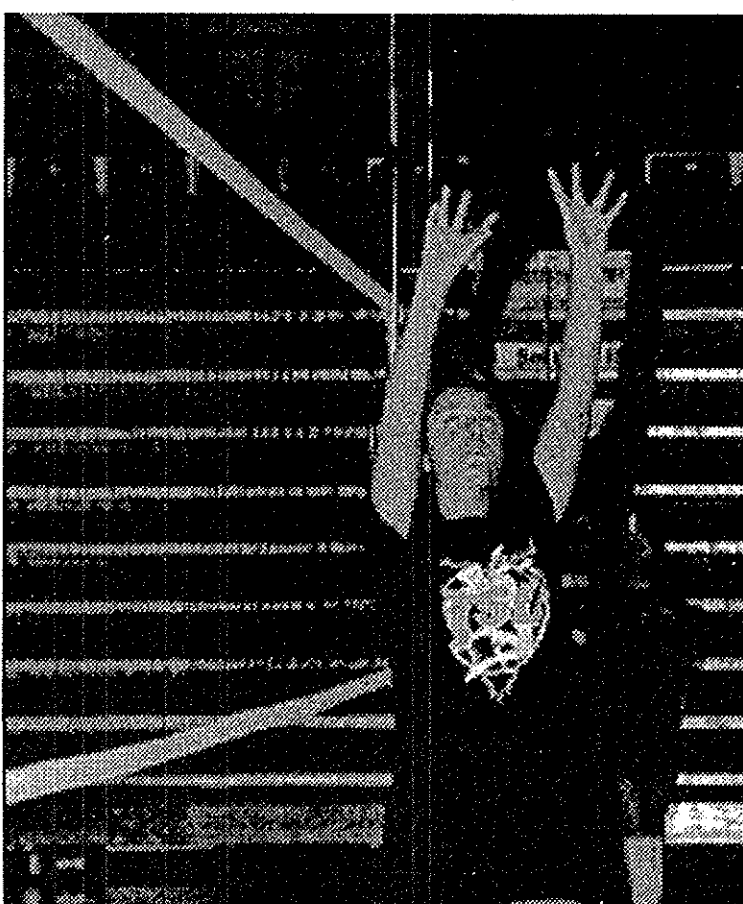
Earlier in September, YSU beat Niagara 15-8, 15-12, 15-7, while coming up short against Buffalo, 13-15, 15-13, 15-13, 10-15, 11-15. The netters won their first two games of the season, taking Navy 15-12, 15-1, 15-4 and Canisius, 15-6, 15-3, 15-13, in the opener.

"Starting the conference this weekend will be the toughest leg of our road trips," said Conroy. "Oral hasn't lost a Mid-Con game — they have a very good program."



Dave Long, *The Jambar*

**KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE BALL:** Senior Vickie Robinson bumps the ball during practice Tuesday.



Dave Long, *The Jambar*

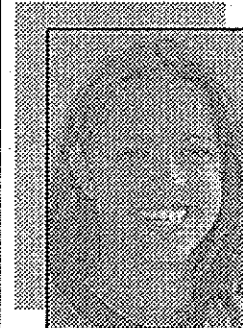
**REACH FOR THE SKY:** Sophomore setter Melissa Lyczkowski tosses one up in the air during practice.

## Lady Penguin Soccer

### New coach, new start for women's soccer

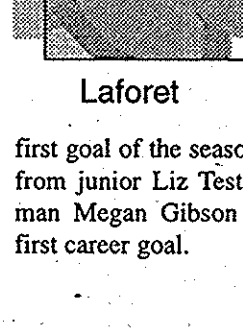
JAMIE LYNN REESH  
Sports Editor

With 10 returning starters and a new head coach,



**Handt**  
Under the guidance of Head Coach Liz Bartley, the Lady Penguins hold a record of 3-4.

YSU took an overtime win against Westminster in the season opener, with the help of an overtime goal by senior Missy Laforet.



**Laforet**  
Laforet scored the women's first goal of the season on a pass from junior Liz Testa, as freshman Megan Gibson scored her first career goal.

The women took an impressive 4-1 win over Morehead, for their second win of the season. Junior Michelle Kaydo, Gibson, Laforet and senior Jen Argiro each put one in for the Red and White.

The Lady Penguins recorded their first shutout of the season in a 1-0 victory against Ball State. An assist by Argiro led to Gibson's goal. Sophomore goalie Christine Handt was credited with her first shutout as well.

Handt continued to prove herself, as she saved the final penalty kick in a double-overtime shootout against Marshall, to make the Lady Penguins 3-2 winners of the Penguin Cup. She ended the tournament with 15 saves, allowing not a single goal.

Handt, Laforet, Chris Engelis and Gibson were named to the All-Tournament Team.

YSU tied Marshall earlier in the tournament to meet up with them again for the final.

The women then fell three straight, losing a tough 3-2 match to St. Francis, 3-0 to Eastern Michigan and 8-2 against Miami of Ohio.

The Lady Penguins came back from a 2-0 deficit to tie St. Francis 2-2 on assists by Laforet to Gibson and Kaydo, who both scored. St. Francis went on in overtime to defeat YSU.

Saturday, the women travel to face IUPUI.

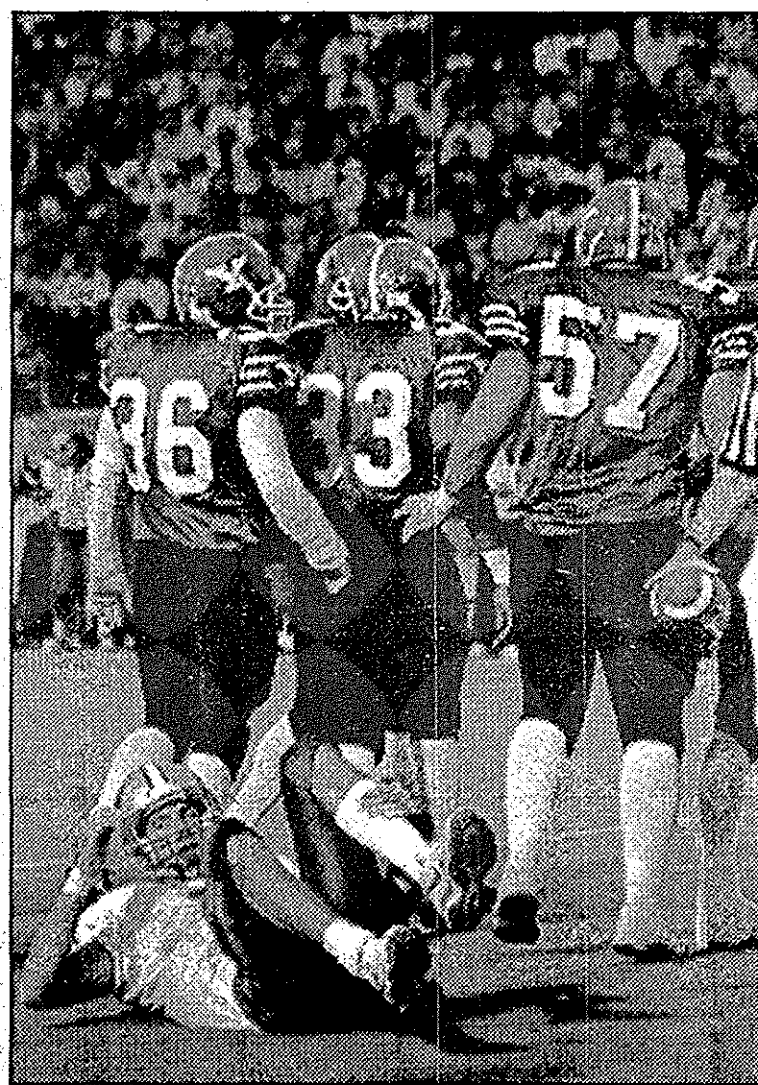
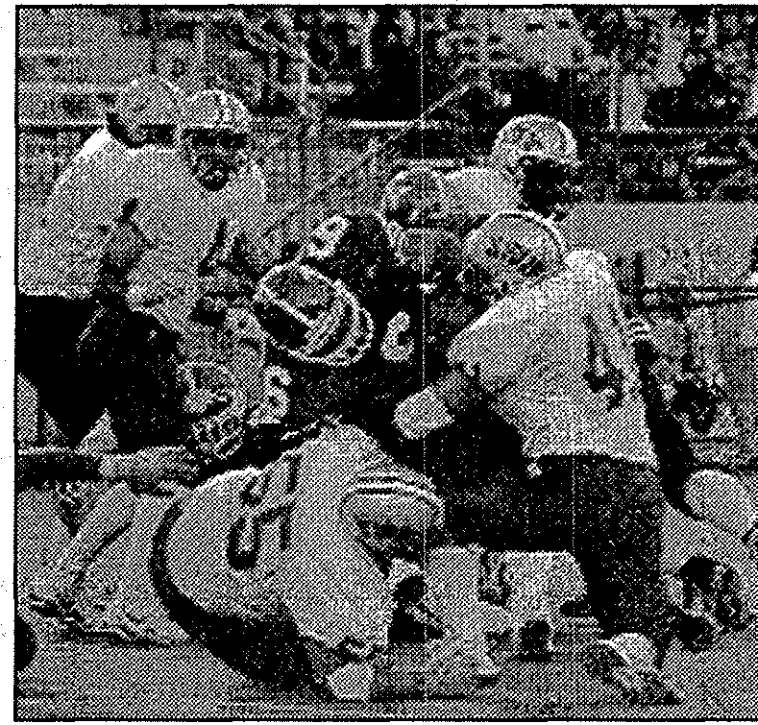


Chad E. Holden, *The Jambar*

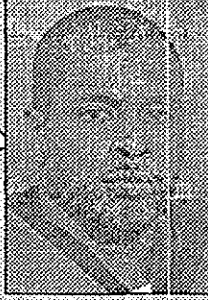
**PRACICING OUR FOOTWORK:** Head Coach Liz Bartley and Asstant Coach Brian Stock watch on as junior Liz Test (white shorts) and sophomore Christine Handte (black shorts) practice in Stambaugh Stadium Tuesday.

The Penguins of the gridiron are off and running with a 2-1 mark on the season. In the season opener, YSU rolled over Slippery Rock 44-14 at home, while week two brought the challenge of division I's Western Michigan in a 46-28 loss. Last week it got chilly in the Ice Castle, as the Penguin defense held on to pull out a 13-7 win over Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

# Penguin

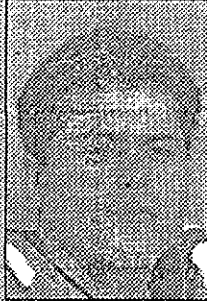


## SENIOR




Senior running back Adrian Brown moves to fifth place on YSU's All-Time Rushing chart with 2,587 total career yards.

## STANDOUTS



Senior Ian Dominelli is second on the team in tackles with 37, as he nabbed his first career interception against Indiana Saturday.

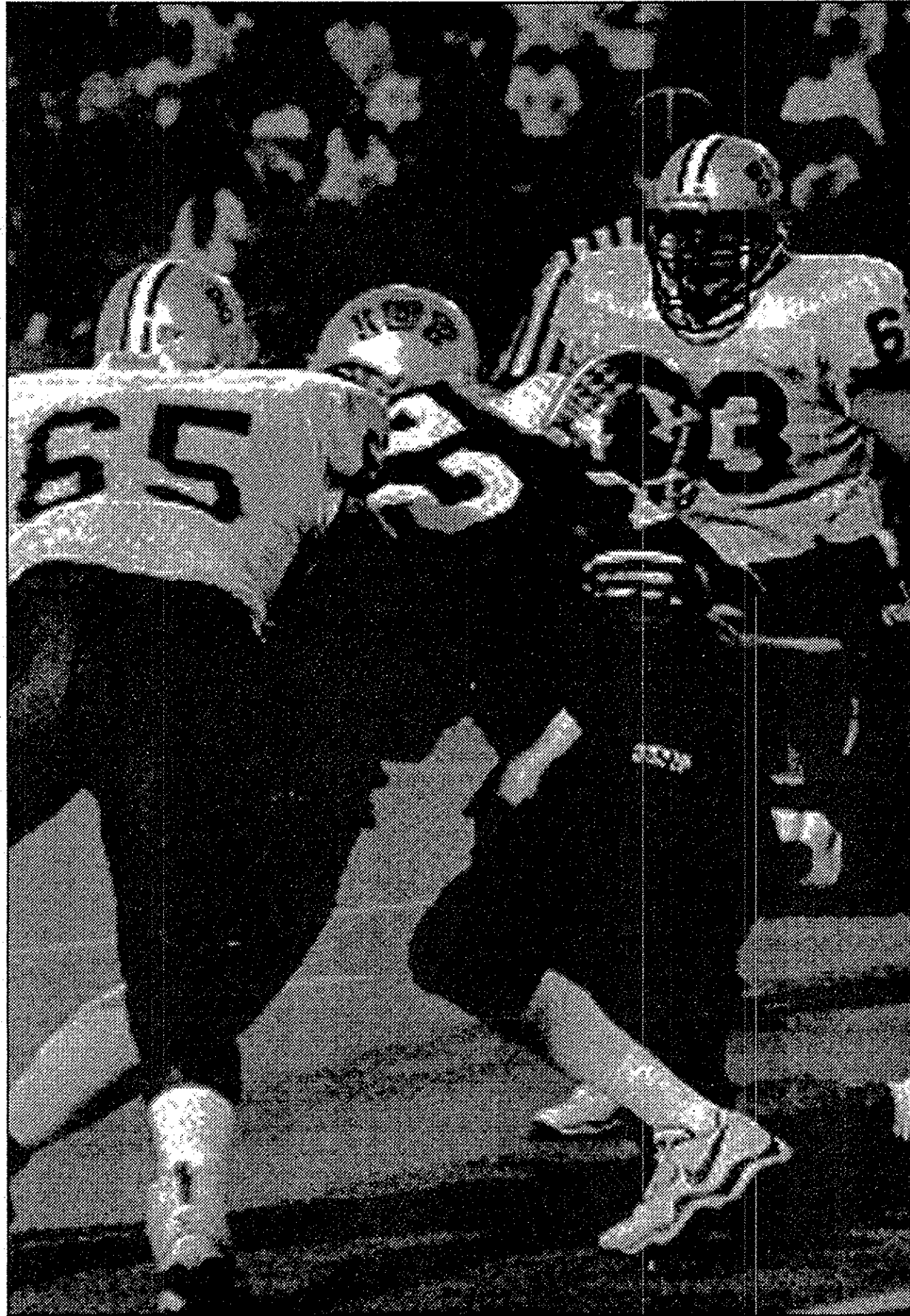


Senior receiver Elliott Giles caught his longest career reception on a 56-yard-touchdown pass from quarterback Jared Zwick against Slippery Rock.

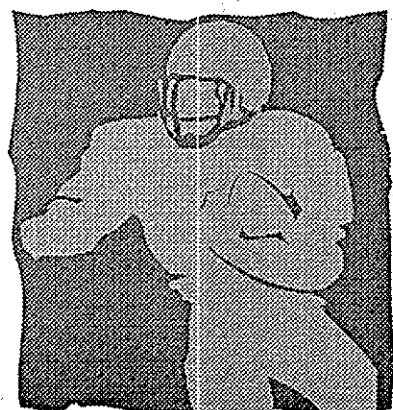


# Pigskin

**TOP LEFT - BREAK ON THROUGH:** Senior running back Adrian Brown (#6) beaks through the Indiana defense to score a touchdown for the Penguins. **MIDDLE LEFT - GET 'EM:** YSU's special teams (#89 Sean Guerriero) makes an attempt on blocking the kick during the Penguins 13-7 win over Indiana University of Pennsylvania. **BOTTOM LEFT - DEFENSE:** The Red and White defense (#36, Ian Dominelli, #33 Russell Stuvaints, #57 Frank Kaydo) walk back to the huddle after a play that injurs IUP quarterback Denny Randolph. Randolph sprained his ankle on the play and did not return to the game. **TOP RIGHT - GO GET 'EM TIGER:** Freshman Matt Mechling (#72) takes down IUP's running back amongst the IUP offensive line. Mechling ended the game with eight total tackles, with four for a loss of 12 yards and two sacks for eight yards. **BOTTOM - HIGH FLYING:** A sky diver drops down into the Ice Castle in YSU's second home game of the season to deliver the game ball.



All photos by Dave Long, The Jambar



## Red and White looks ahead to conference foe Western Illinois

JESSICA TREMAYNE  
Contributing Writer

As YSU enters its third year as a member of the Gateway Conference, the Penguins have yet to defeat Western Illinois. The Penguins will get their chance Saturday when they host the Leathernecks at Stambaugh Stadium.

This game will mark the third conference meeting between the two schools, which left the Red and White defeated both at home and away.

In 1997, the Leathernecks' victory was narrowly awarded 24-21. Last season's meeting played in Macomb, Ill., bruised the Penguins 14-0.

"Last year we left Macomb with a bitter taste in our mouth,"

said senior linebacker Ian Dominelli. "By them coming to our home, and them being defending champs, we're excited to play them."

While Head Coach Jim Tressel enters his fourteenth season coaching the Penguins, the Leathernecks are playing with a new head coach. Head Coach Don Patterson of Western Illinois previously served for twenty years under Hayden Fry at Iowa, including the last seven years as offensive coordinator. In 1997, Iowa's rushing offense was ranked eighth and their scoring offense finished ninth in the nation.

Entering the stadium Saturday, the Leathernecks will hold a 3-0 record under their belt, while the Red and White will enter with a 2-1 mark, and intensity to perform like the champions they want to prove

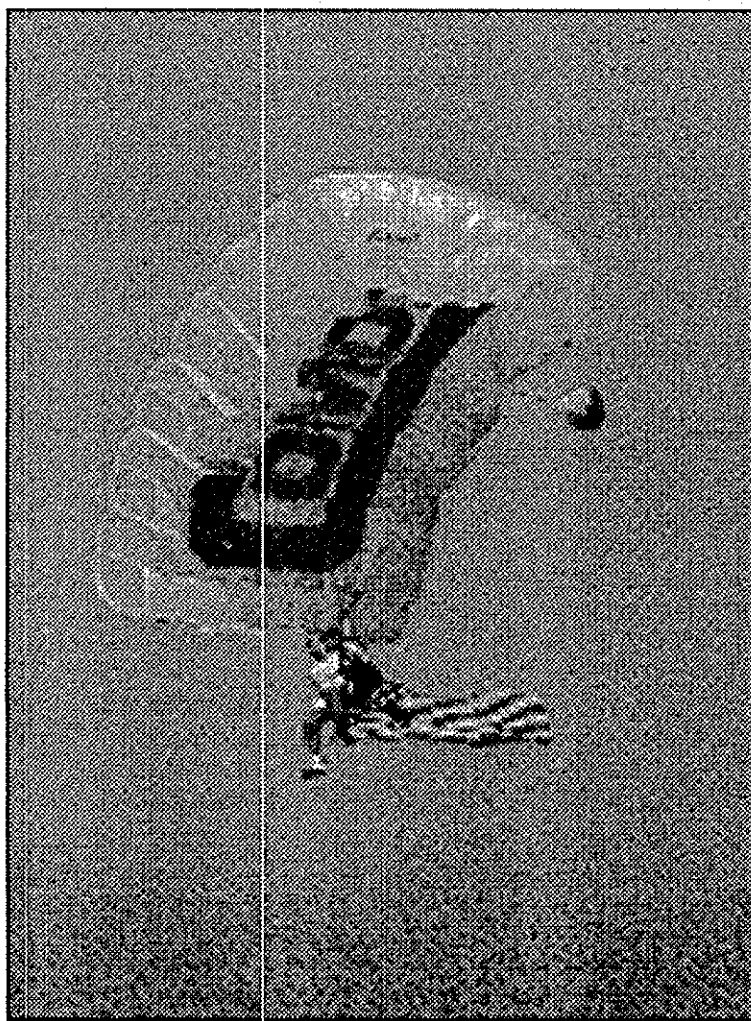
that they are.

"This is a conference game — we want to get a win," said Senior linebacker Kawonza Swan. "We want to get out in the conference as quick as we can. We need to get out to a good start, attack our conference foes, and we have a good chance to be conference champs."

"Lack of execution is an issue that needs to be worked on. It's going to be a tremendous challenge for our group to line up with the Leathernecks," said Tressel.

"Our focus this week is to stop the run," said Swan. "People say our offense is good, but we can be great."

After conquering their mistakes, and understanding where to focus on game day, the Red and White hope to brand the Leathernecks in a first time conference game win.



### Golfers nail team high at Falcon Invite

BOWLING GREEN — The women's golf team finished fifth at the Bowling Green Falcon Invitational Monday, with this finish being the program's highest in this type of tournament.

YSU ended with 650 strokes, which was its lowest score for a two-day event.

Sophomore Stephanie Matasek and Elizabeth Sabatino fired a pair of 159s to finish 12th overall. Freshman Jennifer Grossi was tied for 20th with a 163.

Sara Pickin and Maria Saltsman both tied for 41st by shooting a 170, while Nicole Hamstreet rounded out the top six with a 58th-place finish.

The women tied for 11th place at the Illinois State Redbird Classic Sept. 14. Matasek tied for sixth overall, shooting a 79.

Matasek fired a 41 and 38 to lead the women. Grossi made her YSU debut with a 60th-place finish, which tied her with teammate Katie Sabel. Meredith Konya was tied for 70th overall, while Nicole Hamstreet was tied for 78th overall.

The women won a tri-match with St. Francis and Mount St. Mary's, shooting 341 as a team. Matasek tied for first with a 43 on the front nine and a 41 on the back.

Pickin was fourth with an 85, while Sabel and Saltsman tied for fifth with 86. Grossi shot an 88.

**Penguin Athletics**

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Football - Western Illinois at 7 p.m.

Soccer at IUPUI

Volleyball at Oral Roberts

**Monday**  
Golf at Butler Invite

### Men take fourth at Detroit Invite

DETROIT — Sophomore Matt Kempe finished fourth as the men's golf team opened the fall season with a fourth-place finish at the Detroit Invitational Sept. 14.



Kempe

Kempe fired rounds of 73, 71 and 79 for a 223 to lead the Penguins.

Freshman Ryan Harmon tied 11th overall with a 225. Sophomore Zack Krichbaum was 19th with a 228, while Jesse Wilkin tied for 35th with a 234.

The Penguins will be back in action over the weekend at the Eastern Kentucky Invitational.

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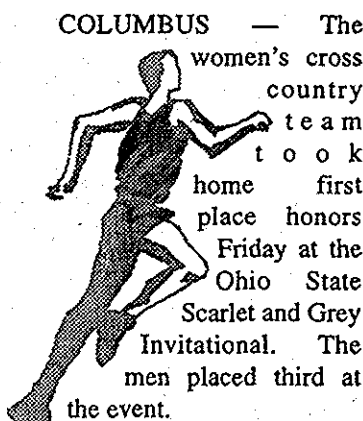
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### Cross country teams give good showing in early meets



COLUMBUS — The women's cross country team took home first place honors Friday at the Ohio State Scarlet and Grey Invitational. The men placed third at the event.

Senior Andrea Cohol led the team taking third place with a season best time of 18:49, while senior Beckie Riggie came in a close fifth with a time of 19:16. Sophomore Laura Ruggles and junior Annabelle Hunt ran neck-and-neck with Ruggles taking eighth in 19:48, and Hunt finishing ninth in 19:51.

Sophomore Will Edwards, in his first race of the season, ran an impressive time of 25:32 to take third. Transfer Tim Tatarka ran a time of 26:30 to take 12th place, while freshman Kurt Michaelis finished 16th with a

time of 26:56. The YSU men's cross country team kicked off their season with a second place finish at the Tommy Evans Invitational in Akron, while the women's team placed fourth.

The men's team was led to a second place finish by two newcomers as transfer Tim Tatarka ran a time of 27:48 to place fourth and freshman Kurt Michealis finished sixth with a time of 28:03. Senior Brian Laraway came in ninth at 28:18, and freshman Tony Orcena placed 10th in 28:35.

Leading YSU on the women's side, was senior Andrea Cohol, who placed eight with a time of 19:33. Senior Beckie Rggie finished 13th in 20:30 and sophomore Laura Ruggles crossed the line right behind, placing 14th with a time 20:31. Freshman Jenny LaPlante, in her first college race, ran a time of 20:56 to finish 17th.

The men's and women's teams will travel to Orlando, Fla. to compete in the Walt Disney World Classic Oct. 2.

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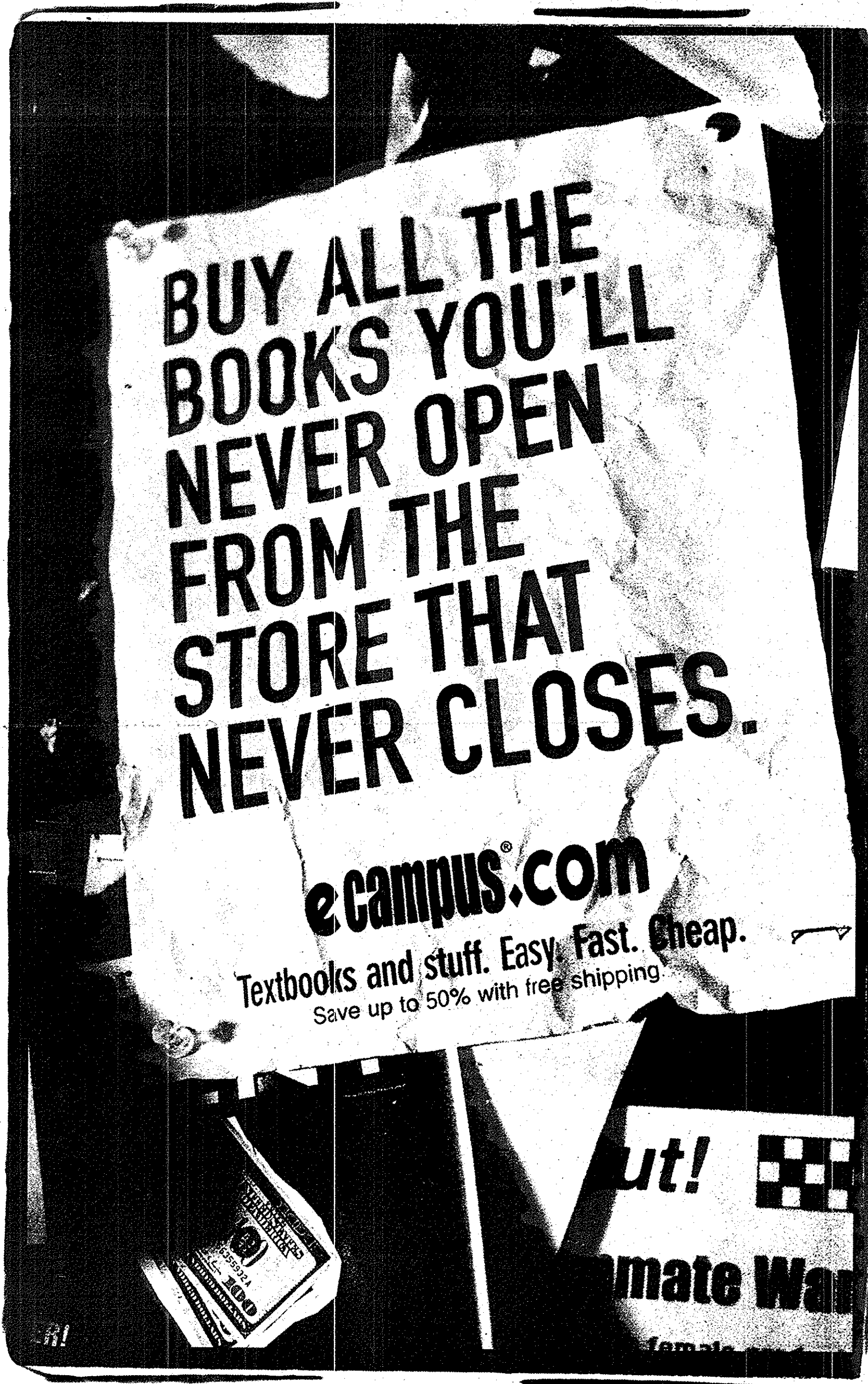
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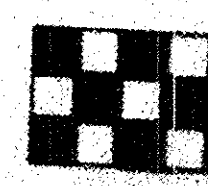




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# Summer Flashbacks

For those who spent summer break off campus, here's a look at what's been going on since June.

## YSU Task Force tackles issues on campus diversity

■ The forty member committee hopes to tie campus and community closer together.

SABRINA SCHROEDER  
Editor in Chief

Members of the Diversity Task Force Committee issued a report Aug. 17 that focused their attention on the structure and systematic change for diversity over the long term within the walls of the university.

YSU President Dr. Leslie Cochran said diversity has been one of the main issue the university has been asked about by national accreditation services.

"I wanted to take full advantage of the diversity in the valley and encourage all people to come and feel welcome here. Some segments of the university don't feel welcome here," he said.

The diversity issue is not just a university challenge, but a community challenge as well, he said.

"Because of the heritage of our community, I felt that it was important that I, as president, be involved in this process. I've known that this was going to be an important agenda for a long time, but it is also going to take a lot of my time and energy," he added.

"It is not just our university, it is the people in the university, too. It belongs to everybody."

Barb Orton

Director of Equal Opportunity and Disability Services,  
Co-chair of the Task Force Committee

The board of trustees will endorse the plan of action in September that was approved over the last year. As recommendations were proposed, they were sent to the appropriate bodies and voted on, so the report contains no recommendations that need to be voted on.

Copies of the report will be printed in a booklet in the fall and will be available to all faculty and staff members so that diversity can be implemented into the daily activities of the university.

The executive vice president and the provost of the university were asked to compile a list of people they would recommend as a good representation of the campus community to serve on the Task Force committee.

Barb Orton, director of the

Equal Opportunity and Disability Services office and co-chair of the committee with Cochran, said she was very tentative at the first meeting.

"We had to gain everyone's trust initially, but those who saw it through to the end were very committed. It is not just our university, it is the people in the community, too. It belongs to everybody," she said.

Implementation of six distinct diversity components stems from the committee's report. Those components focus on administrative commitment and support; community-based interaction; university academic program enhancements; university employment practices; university program improvements; and university student recruitment and retention.

## Tuition late fees pique student's ire

■ Because of new staff in the financial aid department, processing of applications is not as efficient as in past years.

MEGAN E. WALSH  
News Editor

Computer fees, lab fees, service fees, late fees. Wait. Late fees? Where did those come from?

YSU's Bursar's office has students wondering how late fees can get tacked onto their bills.

Many YSU students are totally dependent on financial aid to fund their college experience. Students try to get their applications in early as did Dawn Nguyen, junior, geology.

However, the process took longer than she expected and a \$25 late fee was tacked onto Nguyen's bill.

"My loan was filled out before it was even approved," Nguyen said.

According to Eileen Greafe, director of financial aid and scholarships, financial aid services must review the satisfactory academic progress guidelines before any financial aid is processed for summer or the academic year.

"We prioritize summer students, but the process cannot even

begin until the end of spring quarter," she said.

Financial aid services wants to change the satisfactory academic progress review to the end of winter quarter instead of spring next year, according to Greafe.

"We try to expedite the process, but this has not been one of our better years for processing. We have a new staff and we're not quite as up to speed as last year," she said.

According to Nyugen, the Bursar's office set her due date on June 4, but her financial aid was not processed until June 22.

"Anyone completely financial aid dependent has to pay a late fee every summer. It seems that the Bursar's office is flipping off the system," she said.

After appealing to the Fees and Charges Appeals Board, Nyugen received a letter stating that the bill must be paid in full by the due date.

It also stated that a refund check for classes and class fees would be issued to her once her financial aid was processed.

"How strange this would be, me with \$1800 in my pocket and still waiting in the financial aid line," Nyugen said.

The letter, sent by Jeanne Herman, chair of the Fees and Charges Appeals Board, states that the late payment was correctly accessed to Nyugen's account and no financial adjustment would be made for late fees.

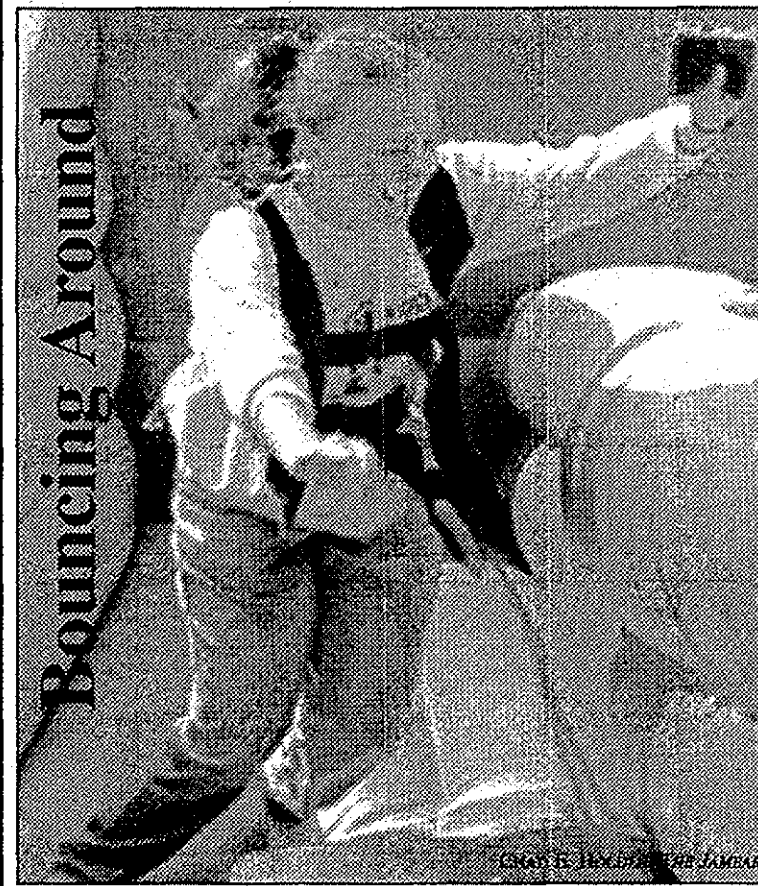
"No matter how soon you fill out your FAFSA and no matter if your loan is pending, they still charge a \$25 late fee," Nyugen said.

"I went to another school for two years and if your loan was pending they didn't make you pay a late fee," she added.

According to Greafe, in order to alleviate the financial load, financial aid tried to award late Perkins awards to those attending the 1998-99 school year.

She also said that students should notify the financial aid office if they are waiting on loans.

"If the aid isn't here, [students] need to keep calling and checking on it," she said.



THE ARRIVAL: A new class of freshmen have arrived on campus and were welcomed by Student Activities with entertainment throughout the week. Sarah Grove, freshman, secondary education and math, participates in the "Bungee Run" Tuesday on Christman Campus Green.

## Web site gets new look

■ The new look provides Web site visitors with expanded sections covering nearly every aspect of the university.

MATTHEW LEICHT  
Contributing Writer

In response to longstanding cries for an update, the university's Web site has been overhauled during the summer to provide computer users with a more convenient and informative view of YSU.

"We wanted a more informational site for people that doesn't necessarily depend on a bunch of fancy do-dads," says Linda Lewis, director of public relations and marketing. "As I looked at the old first page, it just seemed so inefficient."

The new page includes expanded sections covering nearly every aspect of the university and also updated information within each subheading.

A virtual campus tour, an institutional profile and a direct link to Dr. Leslie Cochran, YSU president, are all accessible under the "About YSU" section. Information about campus safety and university housing can be found in "Student Life."

One section vastly expanded is the academics section, linking the user to individual colleges and schools, information about the Metro College, honors program, and general education requirements, and an extensive look and guide to the upcoming Q2S con-

version. Also included are links to Maag Library, information about how the university is dealing with the potential Y2K problem, and financial aid guidelines.

One of the changes with the new page is the accessibility each link gives.

"With the old site, it seemed like you had to be constantly backing up to get around," says former student Paula McCallister. "The new links make it so easy to get from one section to the next without having to return to the home page."

Lewis added "We felt like there was a lot more that could be done with the page in terms of links. The page is always evolving and changing."

Lewis and the office of University Relations designed the page with a hired student Web team headed by Matt Gaia and Bill Buckley.

"Some of the departments already have their own sections up and running. It runs on a first come, first served basis at the present time, unless there's a priority situation," Lewis said.

"We hope that the new site provides people with a better idea of what Youngstown State University is really about, and help answer any questions they might have," she added.



# Singers soar on cloud of success

■ Dana Chorale brings YSU to the world during European Tour June 25 through July 5.

EILEEN CATANZARO  
Assistant Copy Editor

Thunderous applause, shouts of bravo and standing ovations concluded the singers' performances. Every time. Every where they went. By every audience in Italy and Austria.

The 28-member Dana Chorale, under the direction of Dr. Wade Raridon, performed impromptu concerts, planned concerts and Masses as it toured Italy and Austria, June 23 to July 5, singing in some of the oldest churches and cathedrals in Europe.

Raridon, professor at Dana School of Music, brainstormed the entire trip, helping students raise funds for the trip through concerts. He retired after the chorale's homecoming concert last Monday.

"I have been on three previous tours. This was the best," said Raridon.

Raridon's enthusiasm, passion and love of music became palpable as he recounted the triumphs of the Chorale's successful tour.

Beginning its tour in Italy, the chorale sang in the churches and cathedrals of Milan, Florence and Venice, performing American spirituals, secular and sacred music, as well as classical music and operas in Italian.

"The tour guide told me not to perform any Italian operas in Italy.

But we did and were greatly moved by the tears and cheers of the Italian people," said Raridon.

The Chorale performed "Va Pensiero" from Verdi's opera, "Nabucco," a much beloved piece in Italy.

"As the choir sang, so did the audience," said Raridon. "I have never experienced such an explosion of applause as we got when we finished this piece."

"When we announced we were singing this piece, we heard gasps, oohs and ahs from the audience. They sang with us, then exploded into applause when we finished," said Mike Match, junior, voice performance.

The most emotional part of the tour, according to Raridon, was the performance at the Cathedral Santa Maria del Fiore in Florence.

"The Mass was at noon and the seats were filled with an estimated 500 people in attendance.

"Afterward, a professor from the University of Detroit said 'his life would never be the same as a result of the Chorale,'" said Raridon.

The accolades continued throughout the rest of the tour in Austria. The Chorale performed a joint concert with an Austrian choir in Salzburg.

"The Mass was interrupted with applause for the Chorale. This was a first time experience.



**EUROPEAN EXPERIENCE:** The Dana Chorale, under the direction of Dr. Wade C. Raridon, at the Piazza di Michaelangelo during their European Tour June 23 through July 5. Those who took the trip were: front row (left to right) — Mrs. Rosemary Raridon, Renee Tinker, Kathleen Virostek, Heather Krygowski, Zenaida Santiago, Katie Paugh, Darren Jacobs, Beth Malys, David Ross, Lesely Gent, Charmaine Siagian; second row — Dr. Wade Raridon, Amanda Barbour, Kathleen Sanfrey, Jennifer Tulodziecki, Sean Teets, Joel Stigliano, Lisa Dampf, Michael Match, Christina Hancher, Keri Ott, Tifton Graves; back row - Kevin Miller, Rob Wagner, Jason Fair, Carrie Roddewig, Craig Raymaley and Matt White.

The Austrians are a conservative audience," said Raridon.

The students who were on the tour have not been left untouched by the experience.

"We did difficult music. We wanted to sing, wanted to sing more, and wanted to sing better," said Match. "This was a hundred times better than I expected. I am honored to have been a part of it."

"Everything I learned in music history class came to life," said Renee Tinker, senior, music education, of the Dana Chorale's European tour. "When I teach a class, I can teach about Italy and Austria with more passion. I've seen it."

"We won't ever be able to sing with a group of this caliber again. By the end of the tour, our emo-

tions were much stronger, our voices were blending," Tinker said.

Raridon stated the students grew as a result of this tour.

"They have grown in self-confidence and satisfaction. They have worked hard for something bordering on perfection. I couldn't be prouder or more grateful for a group of students," he said.

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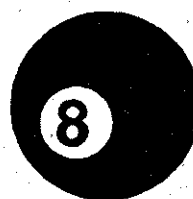
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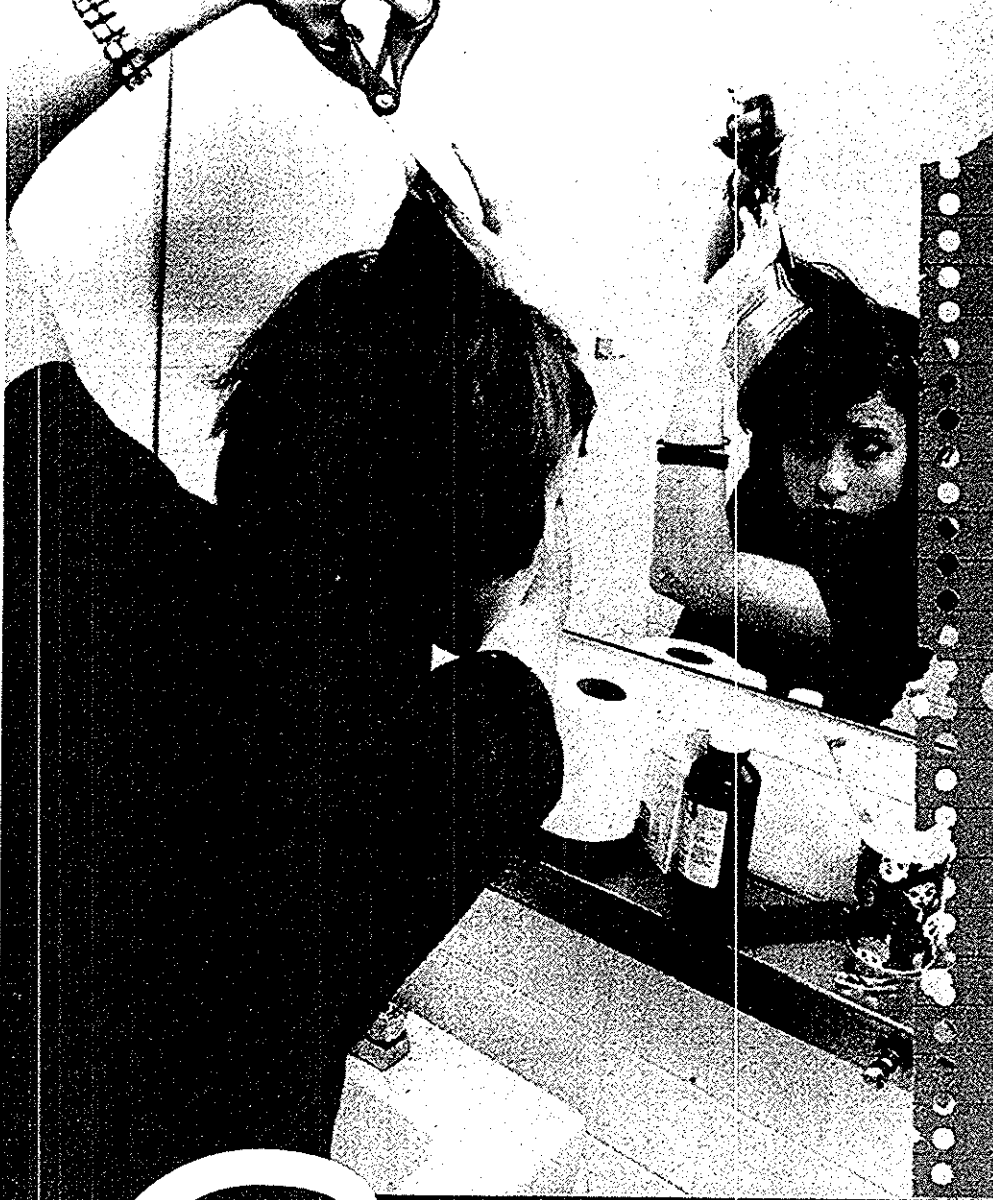
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# YSU police officer gives tips for campus safety

■ Commuters and residents of YSU need to keep an eye out for unsafe situations.

**GEORGE HAMMAR**  
YSU Safety Officer

YSU's campus is aesthetic to incoming freshmen and visitors. But thefts happen here just as they do at home and on other campuses throughout the United States.

Freshmen are the highest ranked victims with seniors and graduate assistants ranked second. Freshmen are in the lead because this is the first time they are away from home in a university setting.

They fall prey to thieves because they are not aware of their surroundings. They do not have these types of problems at home and let down their guard.

Seniors and graduate assistants have been at the university for a few years and if no one has stolen anything from them, they also tend to let down their guard.

YSU is a public institution, and as such is open to the public. Unfortunately, some of these visitors are not legitimate but come to campus to see if they can steal from the campus community or to beg money.

Almost all of the parking lots and both parking decks have emergency telephones that directly connect to the police dispatcher. They also are at several outdoor locations on campus.

Personnel from parking services, maintenance and grounds, and escort services are in radio contact with the police dispatcher. They can contact the police to help anyone needing assistance.

Other leading areas of theft are the library and the various study lounges located on campus. Students may take a break from their books to take a nap, resulting

in vanishing textbooks, bookbags, purses, wallets, or other valuables.

In classrooms, people set their belongings down before class starts and step out into the hall.

The YSU Police Department has engravers that can be borrowed at no cost. In addition, each residence hall, except for Weller House, has an engraver assigned to the residence hall coordinator.

Students living in the residence halls must remember to lock their doors anytime they leave their rooms, even if they are only gone for a minute. Don't leave valuables sitting out.

Anyone who becomes a victim of crime should contact the YSU Police Department without delay and file a report as soon as possible.

By reporting promptly, there is a good possibility the person

who did damage or stole property will be caught.

Anyone who feels suspicious of someone or something on campus should report it to the YSU police.

The police can determine if the individual belongs on campus or if the situation is safe.

The Escort Service works for the YSU Police Department. Escorts are available from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday.

Students and faculty may call the YSU Police Department to request a police escort after hours. It may take a few minutes, but an officer will come to assist the caller.

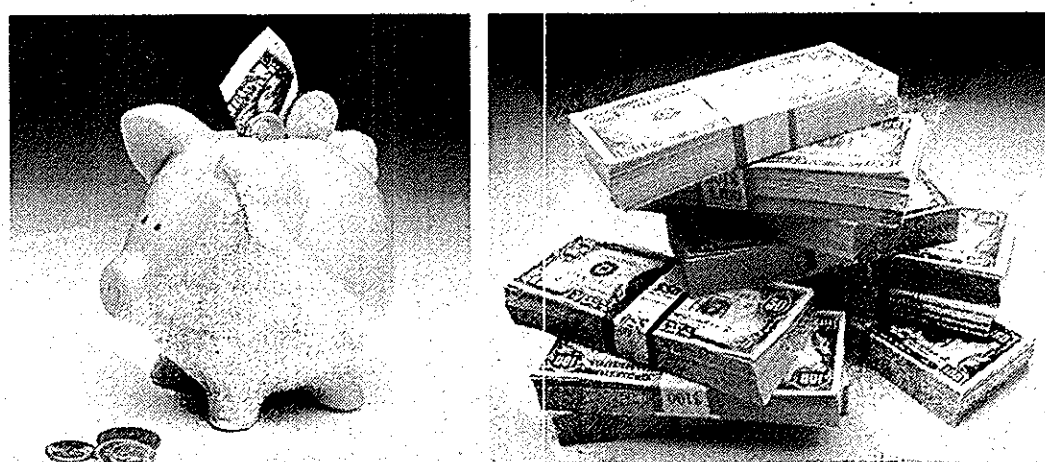
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ble to have standing reservations.

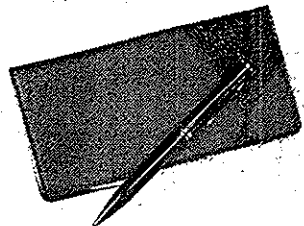
The number for Escort Services is 742-1515 and the YSU Police Department telephone number is 742-3527. If calling from an on-campus phone, simply dial the last four digits. The campus emergency telephone number is 911.

The YSU Police Department Crime Prevention Resource Center holds several crime prevention programs throughout the school year. They are normally scheduled at different times to accommodate most of the people on campus. The programs are advertised in *The Jambar* and on flyers throughout the campus.

Crime prevention information is in bulletin board brochure racks located throughout campus. Contact the university crime prevention officer at 742-7220 for any additional information.



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