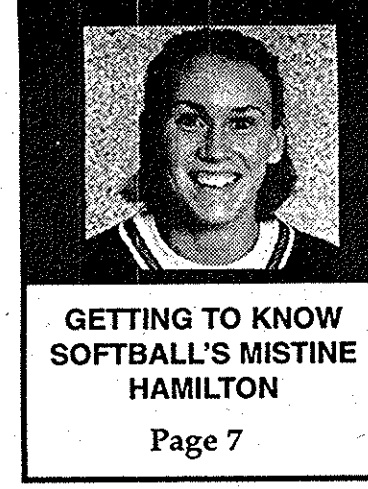


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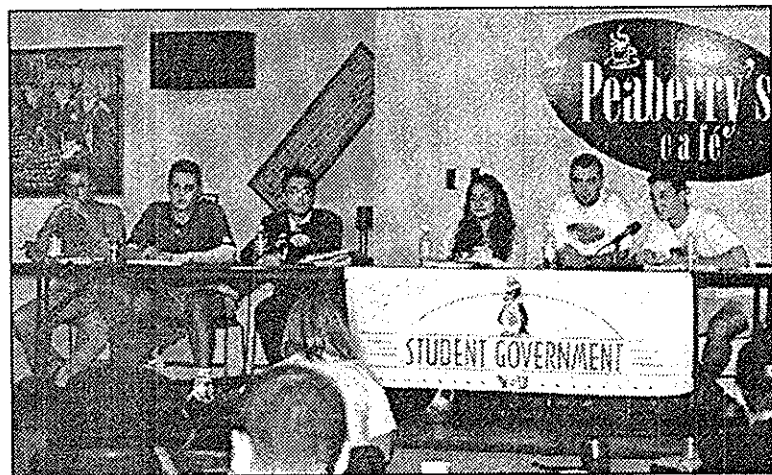
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Debate caps off campaigning

■ The debate was the second one held as a way of informing the student body of each candidate's platform.



LISA ACIERNO, THE JAMBAR

ON THE SPOT: Student Government presidential and vice presidential hopefuls answer questions regarding their ideas for Student Government and YSU, if elected.

LARISSA THEODORE
Assistant News Editor

The time before elections dwindled down Monday in Peaberry's as YSU Student Government sponsored the second and last debate with the candidates for president and vice president for next year.

Each of the candidates were given two and a half minutes to answer the contrived questions and a random drawing determined the order in which the candidates would answer the questions.

The debate was run by Student Government representative Matt Pavone, junior, education.

Pavone addressed the first question: "There is an overwhelming percent of commuter students. What special needs and concerns do these students face and how will you help to address them?"

Presidential hopeful Joe Gregory, junior, business, was the first to answer.

"The biggest problem for commuters is parking and finding a place to park when you get here. There will be no major changes until 2002, but we should make this a campus where students will want to stay. Commuters should become involved on campus a little bit more," Gregory said.

Presidential hopeful Ralph Morrone, junior, mechanical engineering, was next, and agreed with some of Gregory's points.

"I agree with Gregory that we have to make people want to stay at YSU and on campus. We could sponsor special events and make them well publicized to get people here. We do have some of the biggest parking facilities around, but we have to make students aware of it and get more actively involved in parking," he said.

George Zokle, junior, pre-law, was next to step to the podium. "Being a commuter student myself, we have to let [commuters] know they don't have to be subject to change. We will have a set-up for students, a theme each Monday and contrive suggestions from students. We're interested in getting Student Government involved in extended hours also," Zokle said.

Zach Myers, former presidential candidate, was unable to attend the debates due to schedule conflicts.

Pavone then addressed the second question to the panel: "If you had the ability to correct one major issue at YSU, what would it be and why?"

Morrone was the first to address the question.

"We have to increase publicity. We shot for 10 percent of campus votes, when it came to the rec center and other issues on the ballot. We definitely have to publicize things on campus more and use Student Government to address these problems. I would also like to see more people involved on campus," Morrone said.

Zokle answered next. "Academics are strong and consistent at YSU. As a political science major, there needs to be more open-mindedness to have the administration offer other studies and classes. There needs to be an opportunity for student enrollment retention to attract students to YSU as well," Zokle said.

Gregory was last to answer.

"I agree with Ralph about apathy. Enrollment is a problem. There's a larger drop this year. We can address it by actively going out, going to high schools. This

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Candidates removed from election ballot

■ Vice presidential candidate Anwaa Martin falsified information on his application for Student Government.

JAH M. HARVEY
Assistant News Editor

Presidential candidates Zach Myers, sophomore, education, and Anwaa Martin, sophomore, political science, were eliminated from the Student Government campaign Monday on the eve of elections because vice presidential candidate Martin falsified reports on his application for candidacy.

Matt Pavone, junior, education, and chair of the elections committee, along with a select group of Student Government officials, removed Myers and Martin from the ballot for the elections being held Tuesday and Wednesday.

Pavone said, "I basically called up Zach and said I need to talk to [him] and [his] running mate about a problem that occurred with [their] application."

Martin said, "I can't believe this. We had a strong chance to win."

Myers said they were never given the chance to argue their case.

"He was on academic warning. He messed up. People mess up. We had the constitution and were prepared to defend ourselves but they wouldn't let us," Myers said.



Myers

Martin had a 1.6 GPA at the time of the application but knowingly wrote 2.0 on the application.

According to Robert Harvey, senior, political science, and Student Government president, the decision was a cut and dry issue.

"[When discovered,] Anwaa laid it on the table from that point on and he didn't try to conceal it. His permanent record says that his

GPA is something different. It was at that point that we found out that he falsified his application. When we looked at the decision it was cut and dry. It was just a matter of checking the facts," Harvey said.

Harvey said he was not sure why Martin falsified his information.

Technically, Martin could have went through with the election as long as after this quarter he was back in good standings.

"The question was brought to us that the [vice] president shall have and maintain 2.0. We had actually decided that he would definitely be able to run because he was only a candidate," said Harvey.

Mandy Weaver, senior, marketing, and Student Government secretary of commu-

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Candidates react to removal

■ Opinions from other candidates varied regarding the removal of Zach Myers and Anwaa Martin from the campaign so close to elections.

LARISSA THEODORE
Assistant News Editor

Matt Pavone, junior, education, and chair of the Student Government elections committee, announced at the Student Government meeting Monday that presidential candidate Zach Myers, sophomore, education, and his running mate, vice presidential candidate Anwaa Martin, sophomore, political science, were disqualified from the ballot due to faulty information.

The candidates running for office opposite Myers and Martin shared mixed feelings about the removal.

Vice president hopeful Kristin Serroka, sophomore, accounting, said, "I think these people have put a lot of work into their campaign so far. As for eligibility with grades, we all have to work hard and keep our studies up while we are campaigning and also when we're in office."

Serroka's running mate and presidential hopeful, Joe Gregory,

senior, marketing, had no comment.

Zokle said the news came as a surprise to him, though he did not hear both sides of the story.

"It comes as a surprise being that it's right at the end of the campaigning time, trying to put everything together in perspective for our own team, not knowing the full story. Having to remove myself from the executive committee, I didn't get a chance to hear either of the arguments. My replacement and Ralph's replacement are on Zach and Anwaa's behalf, but that's all I can say about it," Zokle said.

Angela Barwick, junior, professional writing and editing and combined sciences, is running with Zokle for vice president. Barwick said she thought the decision was regrettable.

"On Zach and Anwaa's behalf, I know in elections it's a very expensive ordeal. I know they've done a lot of campaigning and they have a lot of support behind them. I think it is regret-

table on their behalf. I think though that the executive committee upholds the constitution, and scholarship should be first and foremost, so if it was due to academic ineligibility I think their decision is correct," Barwick said.

Vice president hopeful Ed Ross, junior, communications, said, "Unfortunately, this is the kind of situation where I wish they were able to stay on, or maybe Zach be able to find another running mate. He's a great guy. He had a lot of great ideas and hopefully he'll still stay involved in Student Government even after what happened."

Presidential hopeful Morrone said he hated to see anything like this happen the day before the elections.

"More competition tends to bring out more issues that need to be seen, and I think competition's always good no matter what's there. It gives students more of an

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NEWS Nuggets

The Butler Institute of American Art is sponsoring the New Music Festival XV at 12:15 p.m. today.

Excel 2000 Camp will take place 9 to 11 a.m. today and Wednesday in the Training Room of Kilcawley Center.

Craft-making for Mother's Day, with Kerry Treharne of Jo-Ann Fabrics, will be noon to 2 p.m., Wednesday in the Women's Center on the second floor of Kilcawley Center. Call 742-2311 to register.

Student Government elections will take place 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. today and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday in Kilcawley Center, on the Wick Avenue bridge and Christman Dining Commons.

The Student Government sponsored Red Cross blood drive will take place 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 16 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 17 in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center.

YSU staff member saves trees

■ A memo to President Leslie Cochran asked that several trees near Tod Hall not be cut down.

ANGELA GIANOGGIO
Managing Editor

After receiving a memo from Jean Engle, YSU publications editor, President Leslie Cochran met with architects to see if plans could be changed involving the removal of several mature trees on the north side of Tod Hall.

Four locust trees near the former mail room were slated to be cut down to make way for a landscaped area near to the planned Welcome Center and park area, which will be added onto Dana Hall.

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nity affairs, said, "It wasn't like we were saying it couldn't lean this way or lean that way. [With] falsification of information on an application you can automatically be eliminated. On every job application you ever turn in it says the second we find you lied we have the right to fire you, no ifs, no ands, no buts. This is the situation."

According to Harvey, there is no excuse for Martin's application. Harvey said he's spent two years following the rules found in the Student Government by-laws

A meeting was held last week to discuss the issue, Engle said.

Dr. G.L. Mears, executive vice president, said he met with the architect who was working on the plans to discuss alternatives to removing the 25-year-old trees.

"I want to hear what the possibilities are," Mears said.

Engle said in her memo, "We have always used the beauty of the YSU campus as a major selling point. Mature trees give campus a sense of stability and class, a sense that we've been here a long time and will continue to be."

Cochran's office issued a

statement saying Cochran did not want the trees cut down and had architects almost immediately look at options for building around them. In the event a tree had to be cut, Cochran said he would first discuss it with Engle.

Engle said, "I value trees, they offer a sense of permanence. You don't make a park by cutting down trees — it's just illogical."

Also spared were three Austin pines, two ashes, a sycamore and a maple tree, she added. However, a few small crab apples will be removed for building access purposes.

one because none are strong candidates."

Marty Manning, associate director of Student Life and adviser to Student Government, said the decision was tough but had to be handled.

"Obviously Student Government was confronted with making a determination. It is clear that the information on the application wasn't accurate and was not a clear reflection. They were obligated to step in and deal with it," said Manning.

"It's unfortunate that it had to come before the election. It's something that no one wants to ever see," he added.

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opportunity. I hate to see anything like this happen, especially the day before the election. At the same time, if the candidates on the ballots are lying about their qualifications, would you want those people representing the students at YSU? I don't know about that. I think it should have been overseen, but you have to abide by the constitution, you can't just not follow the rules," Morrone said.

"We decided that presidential and vice presidential candidates Myers and Martin, upon further review of their application, would be rejected as candidates due to impartial information presented. They have to be dropped from the ballot. There was a vote on it and it passed, so the ticket of Myers and Martin are dropped from the [ballot]," Pavone said at the Student Government meeting.

Under normal circumstances, the executive committee of Student Government would have consisted of Student Government President Robert Harvey, senior, political science, Vice President Marla Carano, junior, education, Second Vice President Tara Mauch senior, political science, Parliamentarian George Zokle, junior, pre-law, and Secretary Ralph Morrone, junior, mechanical engineering.

Since Zokle and Morrone are presidential candidates, they were replaced by Pavone, the elections committee chair, and Mandy Weaver, senior, marketing management, and Student Government secretary of community affairs.

"Since they are involved in the election, there is a certain process which states that they have to remove themselves from the committee," Harvey said.

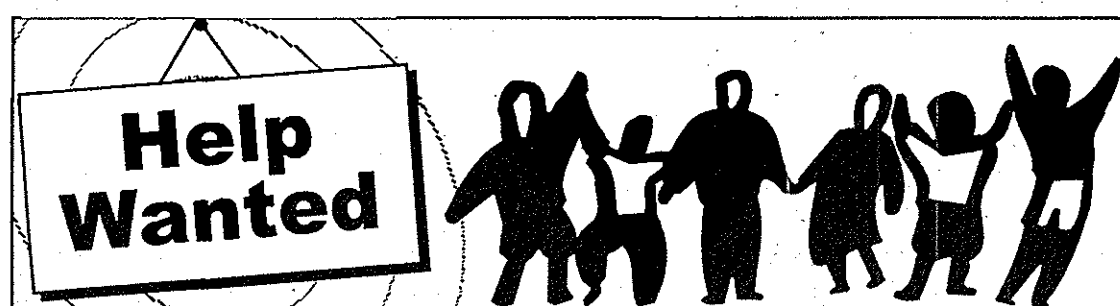


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EDITORIAL

No endorsement this year

It happened in 1994, 1996 and again in 1997. And it's happening again in 2000. It is the first YSU Student Government election of the millennium and *The Jambar* staff has decided that there will be no candidate endorsements this year.

Elections are fast approaching this year; the polls are open Tuesday and Wednesday for the student body to voice their opinions on just who should be the next president and vice president as well as the college representatives.

Since the 1993 elections, only one team endorsed by *The Jambar* has actually been placed into office. In that year, the staff endorsement went to Scott Schulick and Dave Hall, who were then voted into office by the campus community.

In 1994, there was no endorsement.

In 1995, the students voted against *The Jambar* endorsement of Mark McDonough and Amy Ranelli, voting in favor of Nizar Diab and Suzanne Christopher.

In 1996 and 1997, there were, again, no endorsements.

In 1998, Jason Katz and Brett Miller were the chosen ones for a *Jambar* endorsement. Guess what — they didn't win the votes of the students. That year, David Myhal and Carrie Wilson were placed into the sought-after positions, obtaining just 10 more votes than Katz and Miller.

That brings us to last year's elections that ended in Robert Harvey and Marla Carano becoming president and vice president for the 1999-2000 academic year. Last year's endorsement went to Kipp Boone and Angela Chasebi, who fell 16 votes behind Harvey and Carano.

So in dealing with our track record over the last few years, and some candidates asking to not be endorsed (they obviously know what our record is), *The Jambar* has decided that all candidates are qualified for the positions and that the student body needs to go out and cast their votes.

Whether the votes go to George Zokle and Angela Barwick, Ralph Morrone and Ed Ross or Joe Gregory and Kristin Serroka, the students need to be out there voting.

The future of students on this campus depends heavily on those who are in the two highest student-held offices on campus. Don't ignore the chance to go out there and voice your opinion.

Have something to say?
Write a letter to the editor less than 300 words with a phone number for verification.



A STAFF VIEW
JAH M. HARVEY
Assistant News Editor

The Game

I remember as a young teenager hearing some nameless figure say "life's like a game of chess so you gotta make the right moves." I forget where, maybe some old movie. Maybe it was some rapper without a hit song, but one good memorable line. To this day, I'm not quite sure where I heard it, but the phrase is still with me. Life. The Game.

I spoke of the idea in passing with a professor, who understood the metaphor, but didn't like it much. He thought it trivialized the notion of the seriousness of life's choices.

I understand his point, but who says games aren't played with the heart, intensity and passion we exert in life?

I'd be willing to bet that making a winning shot in the final seconds of a game is serious to the player shooting. The fate of the other nine players on the court rests in the hands of one man. Everyone on the court at that split second understands the situation. Right then it's not just a game. It's going on or going home. It's life or death.

Look at the faces of those who win the World Series, or the Superbowl. Look at the expressions left on those who lost. It was serious to those players who spent all season getting to that point, only to come up empty-handed.

What about all those professional card players, reading every physical sign on their opponents? The raised eyebrow. The nervous tapping hand. The slight grin. The bead of sweat on the forehead. Understanding *The Game* separates the truth from the bluff. Every move is serious.

The Game is a perfect metaphor for life. Every move we make, every decision can affect the outcome of the game. The training, the practice and the guidance received can all affect how life turns out.

Life is filled with coaches and veterans who are willing to show eager rookies the ropes. Those who are willing to help you sharpen your skills and perfect your form. Those professors who give you extra tips on how to ace your assignments after class. Those aunts or uncles who give you tips on how to interact with the

opposite sex. Those experiences of a mother or father who help influence decisions we make in our own lives.

We take that knowledge to the world hoping to get a better grip on *The Game*, and make the most out of it. Our goal is to make every shot count. We train and practice hard to win, and bluff our hand when the need arises. We do it all in the hopes of making goals reality. We all want the prize, whatever that may be.

Some people only see one aspect of *The Game* and lose because they can't change when the situation calls for it. Some people spend all of their time buried in books. They come out of school with A's and no people skills. There are those people who are all finesse and no knowledge. They can fake it until the time comes to put the talk into action. It's easy to shut someone's game down when they can only shoot three-pointers, or can only hit fast balls, or can only throw Hail Marys. Perfecting weaknesses opens up the game to greater victories.

There are those players who are determined to win at all costs, using any means necessary. They are ruthless in their pursuit of victory and are known for injuring other players if it will help them excel. Brown-nosing is a position some like to play, though it is heavily frowned on by the other players.

They are found in every arena one enters. These people must be watched at all times. Oftentimes they can be your most dangerous opponent.

We all play the game in one form or another regardless of what we think. What about professionals who invite the boss over for dinner in hopes of getting that promotion? What about agreeing with a superior in order to stay in their good graces? What about writing what a professor wants on the test even though you don't agree with a single word? All part of *The Game*.

People make choices with the hope that it gets them where they want to go. This is life. *The Game* metaphor isn't meant to trivialize life, it's just a way to analyze it. You've got to admit though, it's fun to play.

Brown-nosing is a position some like to play, though it is heavily frowned on by the other players.

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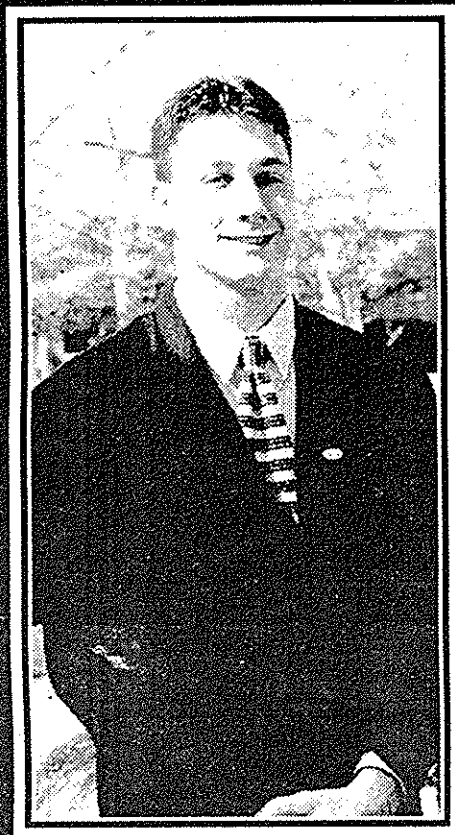
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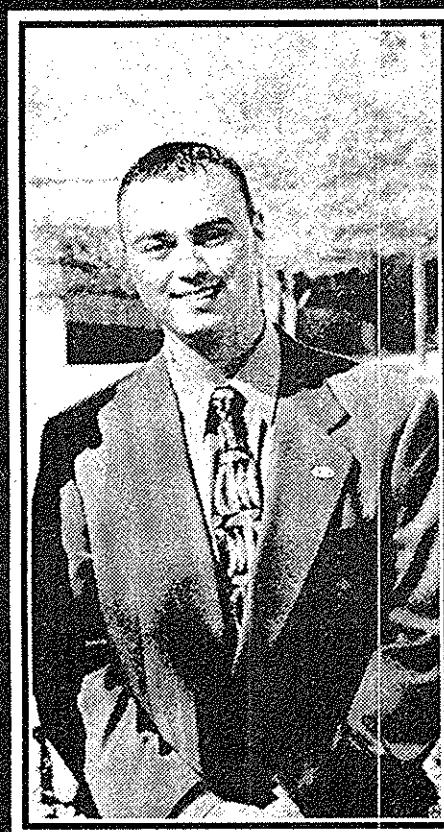
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Students learn from local media

■ Neal Rubin of the *Detroit Free Press* was the keynote speaker at the 62nd annual Press Day.

CHRISTINA PALM
Copy Editor

Journalism is better than selling shoes.

At least that's what Neal Rubin, staff writer and columnist for the *Detroit Free Press*, said in his keynote address, titled "Why Journalism is Better than Selling Shoes," Thursday during the 62nd annual YSU/Tri-County Journalism Association Press Day.

Rubin talked to more than 530 students from 30 high schools in the tri-county area who were on campus for the day.

"Press Day went extremely well this year, and all the presenters, some from as far as Akron, showed," said Dr. Bege Bowers, professor, English, who worked with Press Day registration. "Students seemed to enjoy the sessions, and most of the evaluation sheets were positive."

During the day, students participated in various workshops on topics including yearbook design,

sports reporting, newspaper photography, liveshot reporting, headline writing and editorial and column writing.

There were also sessions for the students on staff diversity, the black press, the gay press, medical reporting and anchoring, radio broadcasting, poetry and entertainment.

Local television and radio personalities were on hand to talk to students about their respective fields. They included Scott Schneider, Laurie Lehosky, Susan DeLeo and Dana Balash from WFMI, Gerry Ricciutti from WYTV and Jim Campbell from WPMY.

A.C. McCullough and Kelly Stevens from WHOT-101 also visited campus for a session on radio broadcasting.

This was the first year YSU's National Association of Black Journalists, which was organized this year, participated in Press Day, and Joyce Brewer from WFMI was on campus to talk to students.

Students could also participate in on-site critiques of their school newspapers. The newspapers had to be sent weeks in advance and were critiqued by editors and reporters from *The Vindicator*, *The Tribune Chronicle*, and *The Jambar*.

Prizes were awarded to the schools in both the morning and the afternoon for submissions of newspapers, yearbooks and literary magazines.

All aspects of the submissions were judged by people from area media and YSU faculty and administration.

Individual awards were given for news, features, editorials/opinions, art work, sports features, columns, photography, short stories, poetry, advertising, personality profile, reviews, student concerns, layout and design, editorial cartoons and literary magazines.

"The success of Press Day requires the cooperation of a wonderful advisory board who works all year," said Bowers.

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will make the university as strong as it possibly can be."

Pavone next addressed the vice presidential candidates for the first time. "If a person asks you what is the role of the YSU Student Government vice president, what would your response be?"

Angela Barwick, junior, professional writing and editing and combined sciences, is running with Zokle.

"First the Student Government vice president should be a friend to all students and a voice on campus," Barwick said. "They're responsible for calling meetings for the Academic Senate. They have attended Academic Senate meetings and received a lot of apathy from administration. The vice president needs to get students to attend meetings and bring back information for Student Government."

Kristin Serroka, sophomore, accounting, is running with Gregory.

"The role of the vice president is to be the leader of the student and a voice. The vice president runs the meeting, sits on the executive board for Academic Senate and has the tie breaking vote," Serroka said.

Ed Ross, junior, communications, is Morrone's running mate and was last to answer the question.

Ross agreed with both Barwick and Serroka's ideas.

"The Student Government vice president will be someone to trust. They should use their credibility to get things solved in a timely fashion," Ross said.

Pavone then addressed the third question to the presidential candidates. "YSU has an increasing number of non-traditional students. What benefits or problems does this create and how will you address them?"

Gregory was the first to step to the podium.

"It's true there are many non-traditional students at YSU. It's an asset. They bring their work experience and a lot of prior knowledge to YSU. They not only live the life of a student but also someone working in the real world," Gregory said.

Morrone was next to answer. "Our administration will address that. One issue is day care. Non-trads have families and need people to take care of their kids. We need to find an easier way to take care of these issues when they come about," Morrone said.

Zokle was last to respond. "Non-traditional students play

a minute role as far as student affairs go. Most non-trads here have to work during the day."

"As far as enrollment management, it's more appealing to non-trads to show what we offer. We need to focus more on evening classes for non-trads so they have the same opportunities," Zokle said.

Pavone addressed the fourth question to the presidential candidates as well. "There is a decline in enrollment. What are your thoughts on this issue and what do you feel you do as Student Government president to entice more people to come to YSU?"

Morrone was first to answer. "Recently, Student Government went forward with the initiative of a rec center. This can single-handedly be an important issue in getting more students at YSU. We should also make sure student voices are heard."

Zokle was next to address the question.

"Everything in effect right now, students keep alive. Eighty thousand students in the tri-county area have had some college but no degree. We need to try to bring them back to college and mentor them. We also need to go out to high school students to let them know about YSU and Student Government."

Gregory was last to respond.

"The biggest problems are enrollment and misconceptions on academics. I don't see this as an academic school. The business school just got accredited. Students should also sit in on Student Government meetings and find out what they're all about."

The vice presidential candidates were asked a second question.

"As vice president, you'll be the leader of the legislative body of Student Government. How will you use this position to address issues facing students today," Pavone said.

Serroka was first to respond.

"We can bring opinions and ideas to what the concerns of the students will be. We want to hear their concerns and bring them back to the university," she said.

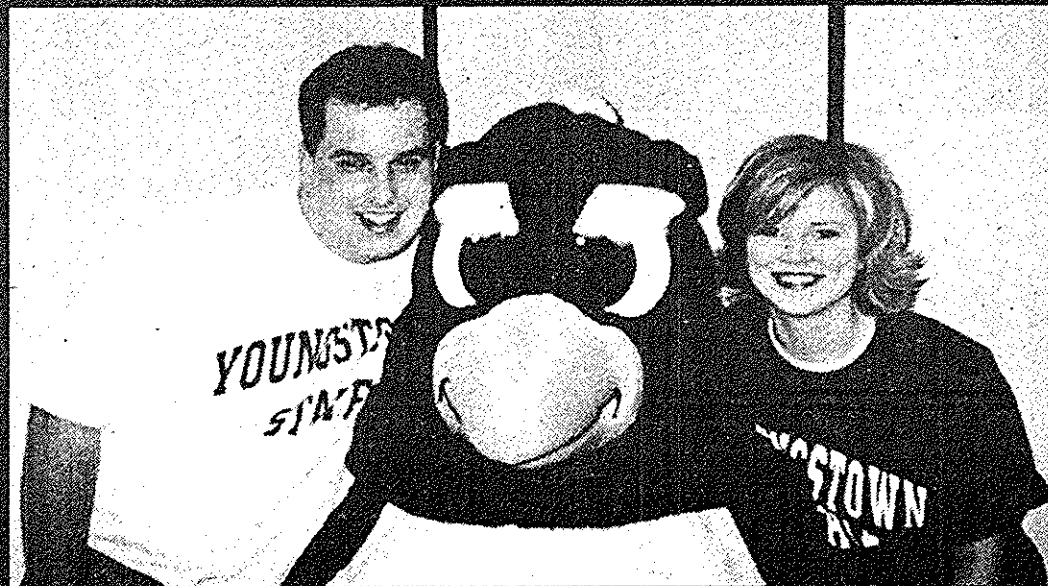
Ross was second to respond. "We need to find out what the problems are and get them solved," he said.

Barwick was last to respond.

"We are responsible for conducting business in the meeting. We bring up issues of old business that are sometimes lost in the shuffle. We need to make sure we are accomplishing our goals that we set forth throughout the spring," she said.

The candidates were then allowed to make closing com-

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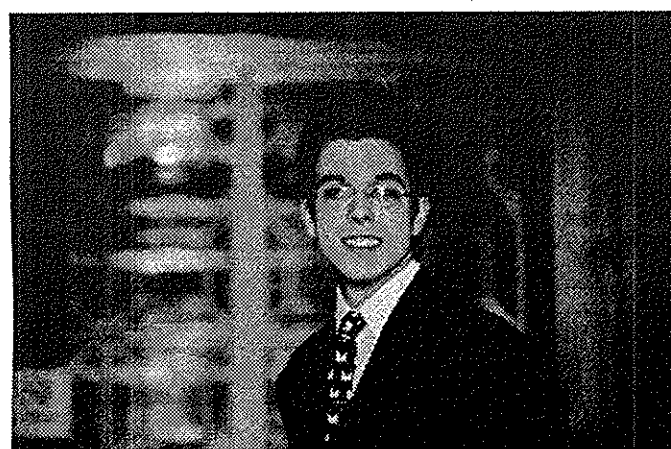
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"Youngstown State University is journeying into the next century with many events ahead of us. As candidates for the election today, we would like you to consider our hard work and dedication we have put forth in student government this past academic year when going to the polls. The unique structure of our student population here at YSU faces many challenges to find ways to attain all of their rights as students seeking higher education. With our experience, and as fellow students, we will endeavor to secure the student voice in all aspects of student life, and use our leadership to effectively communicate a successful program on semesters."

With Penguin Pride,
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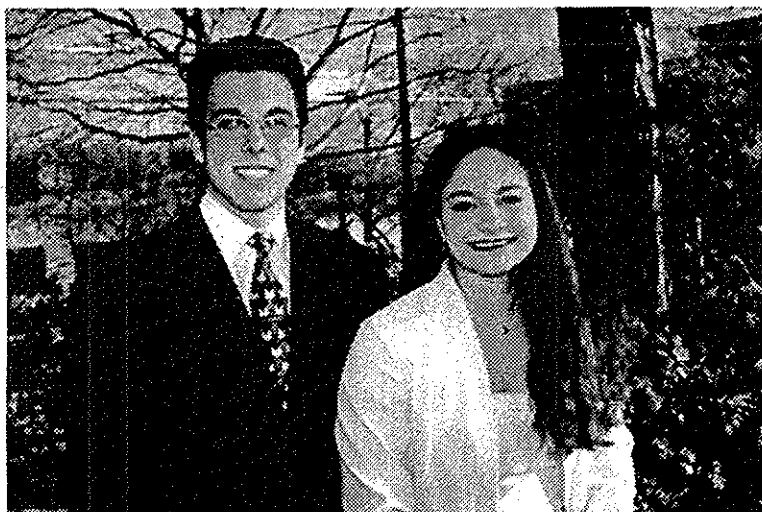


George Zokle

- Student Government Parliamentarian
- Student Government Representative at large
- Delegate to Student Government National Conference
- Junior Political Science
- 3.5 GPA
- Russian Club
- United Nations Team
- Sigma Chi
- IFC - Rho Chi Chairman
- Order of Omega
- YSU Centurian
- Finalist for Mr. NAACP
- YSU Festival of the Century Chairman

Angela Barwick

- Student Government Representative College Arts & Sciences
- Student Government Publicity Committee
- Student Government Constitutional Bylaws Committee
- YSU Festival of the Century Parade Coordinator
- Junior Professional Writing and Editing and combined sciences
- 3.86 GPA
- Executive Secretary, Student Athletic Advisory Committee
- Fellowship for Christian Athletes
- University Scholar
- Who's Who Among College Students
- Cheerleading Captain
- President Golden Key National Honor Society
- Omicron Delta Kappa



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REGISTRATION

Student Government Awareness

Penguin baseball defeated IUPUI 9-4 and 6-4 Saturday in a doubleheader at Cafaro Field.

Sports

Kofi Owusu-Ansah, senior, was named Mid-Con Co-Male Athlete of the Week.

Flag must be flogged



JESS TREMAYNE
Sports Editor

The state of South Carolina is the only state that still flies the Confederate flag atop its capitol. But the flag doesn't fly with the NCAA.

In a meeting held by the Executive Committee of the NCAA Thursday, the decision was made to cancel future association-sponsored events in South Carolina if the flag doesn't fall.

The committee passed a resolution stating that if the flag is not removed by the committee's next meeting, Aug. 11, the association will cancel future NCAA meetings and championships in the state.

The National Association of Basketball Coaches has also asked the Executive Committee to address the issue of South Carolina not recognizing Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday as a state holiday.

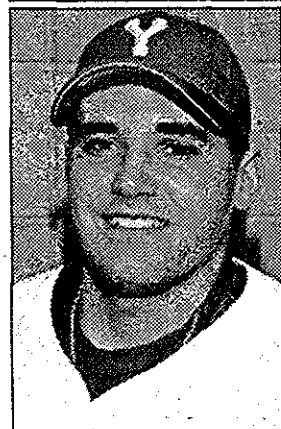
The NABC requested that the Division I Men's Basketball Championship games be moved to an alternative site.

All of the upset being caused by a flag may seem like an overreaction, however the representation the flag holds is not even appreciated by South Carolina's Governor, who is trying to have it removed.

I was under the impression chivalry was an honorable code in the south, but apparently that only applies to certain people.

Mike Abdalla

JESS TREMAYNE
Sports Editor



Hammondsville, Ohio produced a pitcher for YSU who intended to be a shortstop.

Mike Abdalla, sophomore, has been unhittable on the mound, although before his college career began, he was a shortstop.

He has given up only one earned run in 17.2 innings pitched. He has also struck out 19 batters.

Abdalla began playing baseball at the age of 5, and has been involved with the game ever since.

Abdalla transferred from Akron this fall, in part because of Head Coach Michael Florak.

"He demands the most from his players and he knows the game well," said Abdalla.

"The captains of the team are a great inspiration and give encouragement to all of the players," said Abdalla.

Another aspect Abdalla feels draws him closer to his teammates is that there are no I's, there's just a team.

The goal to succeed in the Mid-Con was clearly seen when the team defeated Kent State University, a Big MAC school.

"My favorite moment of the season was defeating Kent State. We gave it all we had and we

"The team as a whole is great, not just on the field, we're like a family."



- Mike Abdalla

came out on top. That game really built our confidence," said Abdalla.

The effect of being a baseball player at YSU will carry on after college for Abdalla.

"The experience of being an athlete will make me a better person, and give me a better knowledge of the game," said Abdalla.

Team work with a capital "T" is the major point to the success of the team.

"Coaches really care about us and want us to do good. They are very proud to be there and help us," said Abdalla.

Pulling together as a team carries over to off the field as well.

"The team as a whole is great, not just on the field. We're like a family," said Abdalla.

After his college baseball experience, Abdalla hopes to use his baseball knowledge to give an occasional tip to a child who aspires to play baseball.

Abdalla is currently out of the game with a hand injury, however he'll be back in the swing of things very soon.

Mistine Hamilton

JESS TREMAYNE
Sports Editor



There were no vacancies for Barbie dolls in the all-male neighborhood Mistine Hamilton, junior, grew up in.

Softball was accepted as politically correct, and at the age of 5 Hamilton was enrolled in a Pee Wee League.

Garrettsville, Ohio was her home and where her love for

softball developed.

Never was she pushed to compete in sports, and never did her parents think they had a softball champion in their midst.

Her father is an avid sports fan, and Hamilton adopted his interests for her own.

"My parents always showed their support but they never pushed me," said Hamilton.

When Hamilton was in high school, her team made League Championships three years in a row. When it was time for her to attend college, softball was definitely going to be included.

On a recruiting trip to the YSU campus, Hamilton said, "I felt included from day one," making her decision to attend YSU final.

Since joining the team, Hamilton has enjoyed both the coaching and her fellow teammates.

"I'm close to everyone on the field, I can read what they are going to do, and they can read me," said Hamilton.

There is a close relationship between Head Coach Chrissy Cameron and the players.

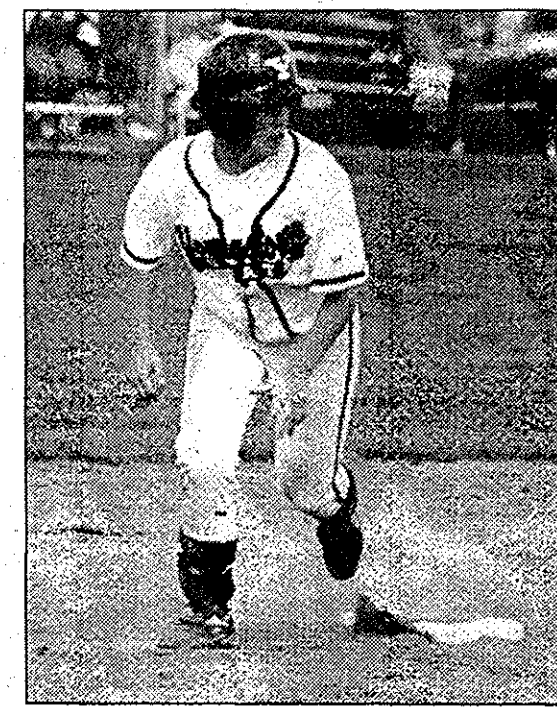
"Coach Cameron has an ability to bring out the most in her players. They are willing to give 110 percent to her. She's very intense and gets involved with us on the field," said Hamilton.

Cameron had nothing but good comments to say about Hamilton.

"Mistine is one of the key players on our team," said Cameron.

From a lifetime of playing softball, Hamilton's favorite aspect of the game is that the game is always changing.

"Every pitch, every play, is different, and you always have to be alert and running," said Hamilton.



Thinking about stealing a base: Mistine Hamilton, junior, in a game last season.

What's Happening in YSU Sports

Baseball

The Penguins lost a non-conference game to Ohio State University Wednesday, 6-3.

The Pittsburgh Panthers defeated the Penguins 9-3 Thursday in Pennsylvania.

Softball

The Penguins finished the 2000 season, winning 2 of 3 from Buffalo, losing 4-2, and winning 2-1 and 9-2, Saturday.

Rachel Zehnder, senior, went 6-for-12 for the day with two doubles.

Katie Marsh, sophomore, picked up her first win of the season, pitching a complete game five-hitter and striking out four.

Mistine Hamilton, junior, went 2-for-4 and drove in two runs in game two.

Track and Field

Kofi Owusu-Ansah, senior, recorded a time of 20.78 seconds in the 200-meter dash to qualify for the Division I National Outdoor Track and Field Championships. His time set a YSU track and field record. He is listed as the 14th fastest in the nation. Owusu-Ansah also broke the record in the 100-meter dash with a winning time of 10.40 at the Baldwin-Wallace Invitational.

Beth Hochstetler, freshman, won the shot put at the Jesse Owens Track and Field Classic at Ohio State University Sunday.

Hochstetler won the shot put with a throw of 37-1.

Jen Rizer, senior, was third in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:10.73

Jasmine Reynolds, senior, was third in the 200-meter dash with a time of 23.4 and was fifth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.4.

Jane Stephens, freshman, was fourth in the 800 with a time of 2:18.43, and fifth in the 200 with a time of 25.55.

Kofi Owusu-Ansah, senior, was third in the 200 with a time of 20.68 and was fourth in the 100 with a mark of 10.29.

Adam Belmonte, sophomore, was second in the 1,500 with a time of 4:13.12.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Today

The Pan-African Student Union is having a meeting at 1 p.m. in Room 2069 of Kilcawley Center. Meetings are held every Tuesday. For more information, contact pasu_ysu@hotmail.com, or contact Eboni Bogan at 742-3595.

"Focus," on WYSU, 88.5 FM: "Justice and the Environment," with Noelle Sturgeon, author and ecofeminist, will be at 7 p.m. with host Sherry Linkon.

Wednesday

LGBT — the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender society — is having a meeting at 4 p.m. in the Bresnahan Reception Suite in Kilcawley Center. Meetings are every Wednesday, and any supporters, gay or non-gay, are welcome. Contact Jeff Boggs at jeff_bysu@aol.com.

Chi Alpha is having a fellowship: 2 p.m. will be fellowship time, and 3 p.m. will be breakthrough prayer time. It will be held in the back room of Peaberry's in Kilcawley Center. Contact Virginia Draa at 742-2975 or at vadraa@cc.ysu.edu.

Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship is having a Bible study from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Bresnahan Suites in Kilcawley West. Everyone is welcome. Contact Dylan Potter at (742) 533-2055 for more information.

The History Club is having a forum lecture at 1 p.m. in Room 2067 in Kilcawley Center. Topic is Valentin Mikhailov, Kazan: "Tatarstan in the Russian Federation: Outburst of Nationalism or Conservation of Elite." Contact Dr. DeBlasio, adviser, at 742-3158 or 742-3457 for more information.

Thursday

Student Activities is having the comedian Brad Tassell at Peaberry's in Kilcawley Center from noon to 1 p.m. Contact Student Activities for more information.

World Cultures Q&A will be held at noon in Room 1064 C of Kilcawley Center. The topic will be "Living in Costa Rica as a Student." Contact Mark Knowles at 742-2358 for more information.

Saturday

Harvest House Ministries of Youngstown State University — Charismatic Non-denominational Church is having prophet word services from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Room 132 of DeBartolo Hall. Meetings are held every Saturday. Contact Pastor Prophet Kelly L. Clark for more information.

Monday

The Diversity Conference Planning Committee is having a meeting at 4 p.m. to plan the Diversity Conference for October 2000. The meeting will be held in the Women's Center, Room 2114 of Kilcawley Center. Contact Jill Edwards at 742-2311 for more information.



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SERVICES

Non-Traditional Student Spring Banquet, Thursday, May 18, 6 p.m. in Bresnahan I and II in Kilcawley Center. All YSU students and their families are invited. Reservations must be made by calling 743-0439 or 742-3595 (NTSO Office).

YSU Campus Ministries Information Table, Monday, May 15, 10 a.m. to 2

p.m. in Kilcawley Center, get information about Habitat for Humanity, fellowship activities, Bible studies, mission opportunities, summer job openings, and fall trip to Washington D.C.'s National Holocaust Museum.

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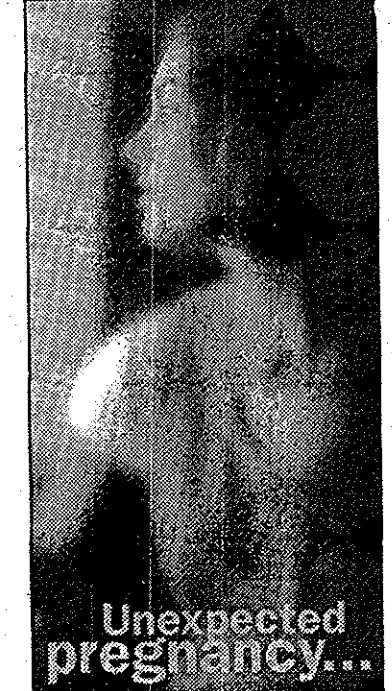
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