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Site: No consent granted

By HENRY GOMEZ
Jambar Assistant Editor

The executive director of a Las Vegas firm said her company never gave permission to the YSU Department of Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety to use an article it originally published.

On the Tri-Western Inspection Systems Web site, Paul Cothran is listed as author of an article on ground fault circuit interrupters. The same text is found — nearly verbatim — on the YSU department's Web site, with only typographical errors corrected. Nowhere on the YSU site is credit given to Paul Cothran or TWI Systems.

"I find this interesting," said Claudia Lawrence-Cothran, executive director, TWI.

"No, permission was not granted [to EOHS to use the article]."

The YSU administration has cleared the EOHS department of plagiarizing an article on ladder safety tips, but a Jambar investigation has uncovered evidence of other potential acts of plagiarism.

Additionally, the faculty member who first raised the ladder safety complaint is still unhappy with the investigation.

He said the university only has rules for employees dealing with copyright viola-

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Housing ousts players

Coach Jon Heacock said he is upset with his players about the incident.

By LA'EL HUGHES
Jambar Reporter
AND SOMOUD NISER
Jambar Editor

Two YSU football players who have been accused of putting racist symbols on a door in Kilcawley House no longer live on campus, Kilcawley residents said.

Brian Benton, freshman, education, said housing officials told two former residents, Chad Sylvester and Anthony Scalmato, that they had 48 hours to pack up and leave. He said he thinks they were gone by the night of Nov. 8.

Wayne Schneider, freshman, early childhood education, Benton and other residents have pictures of Sylvester, freshman, economics, and Scalmato, freshman, studio art, taped to their doors. They said they put up the pictures to support their friends.

"If they get kicked out [of school] we're all leaving. We're going to Muskingum to play football," Benton said.

Other residents of Kilcawley expressed anger over what has happened while Head Football Coach Jon Heacock confirmed that two of the accused students, Sylvester and Scalmato, are football players.

Heacock said he is deeply

troubled by the incident and is now trying to sort out what happened Nov. 6, when the racially offensive symbols and pictures were discovered.

Both men are accused and will face a disciplinary hearing with possible punishments ranging from a simple warning to suspension from the football team and the university.

YSU Lt. Greg Clementi said the case is still under investigation, but it is not in the hands of YSU officials.

Heacock said neither he nor the athletics department is permitted to handle discipline against players. Heacock said he has spoken with Sylvester and Scalmato and said both expressed remorse.

"They both felt awful, but they were not sure what was going to happen," said Heacock. "They said it started out as a prank, and it went too far."

Heacock said he is upset with his players.

"I can't tell you anything negative about the boys. I did address the situation with the team," he said. "We talk about all social issues. Coaches are educators just as professors are educators. I'm not going to make any judgments on them," he said.

Housing officials learned about the symbols when two female residents complained.

Ellana Swiney, freshman, political science, one of the students who reported it to housing officials, said she was offended by the pictures, which reportedly included one of a

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Racist symbols

Students say a Joke went too far

Jeanna Cunningham
Freshman, Civil Engineering

"No, [what the students did was not appropriate]. We should be past that now. It's discriminatory and childish."



Josh Sanders
Freshman, Criminal Justice

"No, it wasn't appropriate because it's wrong, and it's a way to give yourself a bad reputation."



Sam Robinson
Sophomore, Telecommunication

"Of course [what the students did was inappropriate]. I don't think racist propaganda anytime, anyplace, anywhere, should be considered a joke."



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Partly cloudy today and Friday. High in the mid-60s. Low in the mid-teens. Sunny on Saturday. High around 60. Low in the mid-teens.

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BOOKSTORE

Students say faculty and staff should not be the only ones to save money.

By ERIN MCGEE
Jambar Reporter

Faculty and staff at YSU receive a 20 percent discount when they buy books or other items at the university bookstore, and some students are questioning the fairness of this long-standing practice.

John Kerns, junior, civil engineering, said he thinks it's right in the long run for faculty to get a discount since they work at YSU.

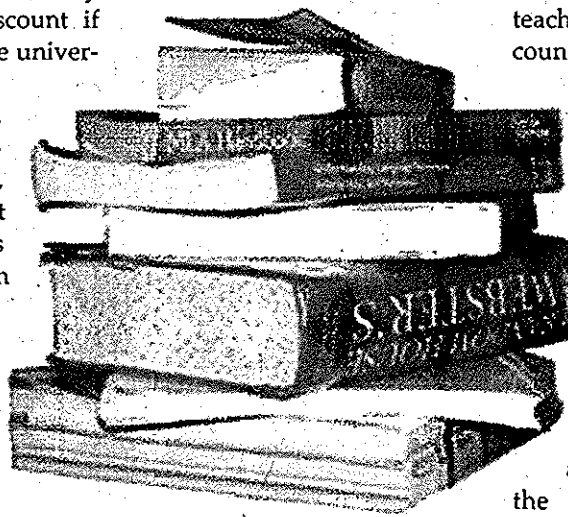
However, he said since teachers make more money than student employees, they should not get a discount if other employees of the university can't.

Chuck Sabatino, director of the university bookstore, said, "Faculty and staff get discounts because it's part of their union agreement."

Sabatino said student employees of the bookstore are not eligible for a discount because "if those students got a discount, then all student employees on campus would want one."

Michael Finney, associate professor, English, and union member at YSU, said he thinks

all students should receive a discount, employee or not.



"An on-campus bookstore should not be a profit-gaining organization," he said.

"It should be there to serve

the student."

Anthony Bonacci, junior, education, said he thinks teachers should only get discounts on teaching material.

He said, "If they want a discount on books, fine, but on a shot glass, no!"

Bonacci said he thinks if a student is an employee, he or she should get a discount, the same as any other employee at any other job.

Gary Kirkland, administrative assistant to the executive director of Student Life, said there are presently 1,100 student employees and more than 11,000 students enrolled in school.

Sabatino said students are entitled to financial aid and may sometimes receive a voucher to use in the bookstore. There is no discount added onto their voucher.

Sabatino also went on to say the bookstore sometimes has sales. These sales are available to all students.

Aprile Smith, a tutor for the Writing Center, said, "I think teachers should get a discount at the store but so should student employees. I mean, we only make minimum wage; it's the least they could do."

According to Finney, a solution would be to have the students set up a co-op and undercut the bookstore. He said it has been done successfully before at other universities.

Ernie McDoogell's to close after holiday

By VALERIE BANNER
Jambar Editor

Ernie McDoogell's, known for dollar draft nights, crowded dance floors and scantily dressed young women, will shut down after Nov. 21.

The closing of the off-campus bar comes after nine months of court battles with Youngstown City Council, Youngstown Police, the Ohio State Division of Liquor Control and Liquor Control Commission.

Ernie's liquor license was revoked in February 2001 for serving alcohol to minors. The bar had been allowed to remain open because appeals were still pending.

Attorney Bill Carnie, who worked on the city's objection to the renewal of the liquor license, said he received confirmation Tuesday that Ernie's will close, and the bar's owners have agreed not to appeal.

"Now we have some certainty," he said.

The mood Tuesday night

at Ernie's was noticeably sober. Although the pop music still pulsed from the speakers, and the colored lights still flashed around the dance floor, no one moved from his or her seat at the bar.

Not more than a dozen people were at the bar Tuesday night. One bouncer said it's the typical turnout of the past two weeks.

He said he thinks many people think the bar is already closed because of recent newspaper stories about Ernie's los-

ing its liquor license.

Bouncers working Tuesday night confirmed that Ernie's will be closing for good the day before Thanksgiving. They talked of looking for work at other places and said they weren't worried about finding another security job.

They said they'd heard rumors that the bar might reopen in another location but didn't know when, where or if it was even true. They said only Robbie Loshure, the manager, would know for sure.

The bartender said he didn't even know if the bar was closing for good.

He said he would expect Loshure to open another bar if Ernie's did close.

Carnie said city council objected to the license being renewed because of the bar's history of serving to minors.

"They encourage people who are under 21 [to come to the bar], and they end up serving them every time," said

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SG reacts to discipline

By PATRECKA ADAMS AND SOMOUD NISER
Jambar Editors

Some Student Government officials said they didn't know of the charges brought against a fellow member until they read the Nov. 8 issue of The Jambar.

They said they were surprised about the alleged wrongdoing by Matthew Vansuch, parliamentary officer of SG.

Michelle Morley, senior, professional writing and editing, is on SG's Constitution and By-laws Committee. Morley said she finds the situation "ironic."

"He's so by-the-book, [and] he says what's right and what's wrong ... what's fair and what isn't ... It's hypocritical," she said.

According to a Nov. 2 list of judicial cases supplied to The Jambar by the Office of Student Life, the only case dealing with employment was one in which a student would clock into work for scheduled hours and would then leave work.

Though the exact outcome of the hearing is unknown, Thomas Vukovich, library director, said Vansuch, senior, political science, no longer works at

Maag Library.

Morley added that her committee has yet to discuss the situation, but she said it might come up at the next committee meeting "if he's found guilty."

Morley said students in the College of Arts and Sciences approached her, wanting to know what Vansuch did.

Vansuch is the representative for that college.

"I think it looks bad for his position," said Morley. "He's been the one that's so exact in his interpretation of the rules. This is an interesting turn of events."

Jeff Parks, senior, criminal justice, is on the SG Constitution Revision Committee. Parks said he was very concerned when he heard about the situation because "he wouldn't expect that of [Vansuch]."

"I was surprised and concerned. I was concerned because this individual has been a strict advocate for following the rules. My opinion is that he has a strong understanding of the rules," he said.

Parks also said students across campus approached him, wanting to know what consequences would arise from the situation.

"If the sanctions [the disciplinary board] imposes don't address his membership in organizations such as SG," said Parks, "then I think the responsibility goes to that organization to decide if it's appropriate to allow that person to remain as a member or as a leader in that organization."

SG Vice President Michelle Hetta, senior, education, said SG won't be sanctioning Vansuch because he has successfully performed all of his parliamentary duties.

Hetta said she was not aware of the disciplinary actions taken against Vansuch until she was asked to answer questions about the incident.

SG President Joe Long also said he was not aware of the incident until he read about it in The Jambar.

"If it's not something given to us or open to us, I'm not sure if we are authorized to act on it," Long said.

Long said Vansuch's position is not paid, and "you can't really say stop your good hearted service."

Hetta added that she and Long think Vansuch is "a valuable asset" to SG's legislative body.

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tion, not plagiarism. Len Perry, director, EOHS, did not return several calls seeking comment.

By taking a section of the text from the YSU bulletin on ground fault circuit interrupters and putting it into a Google search engine, three sites show up as a match: the EOHS site, www.bob-taylor.com/gfci/htm, and the TWI Systems site.

The bob-taylor site features six paragraphs that are nearly identical to what is on the EOHS site. The bob-taylor site credits "Paul Cothran, Owner of Tri Western Inspection Systems" as the author.

Lawrence-Cothran said she is aware that TWI's articles are often reprinted.

"It's funny because every now and then, someone will call us and ask for permission to use our articles," Lawrence-Cothran said. "But no one from YSU ever did."

Lawrence-Cothran said TWI has had other articles allegedly plagiarized by other parties and acknowledged such articles are not copyrighted.

But she expressed disappointment that the TWI article was posted without attribution on the YSU EOHS page.

"Maybe they should send some money our way," Lawrence-Cothran said.

In another EOHS bulletin, this one posted in October 2000, an article on equestrian safety features a cartoon designed to promote safe

horseback riding. After typing key phrases into a search engine, several results came back referring to an "OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) Cowboy."

The Web site, www.hsegroup.com/hse/text/cowboy.htm, includes the exact cartoon and an artist credit to J.N. Devin in 1972. The title shown is "Cowboy after O.S.H.A." No mention is made of the title or Devin on the EOHS site.

Last month, Robert Hogue, chair, computer science and information systems, asked the administration to look into possible plagiarism by the EOHS department.

He said he submitted the department's October newsletter with a bulletin on ladder safety and two Web sites that he said contained similar text.

Last week, Dr. G.L. Mears, executive vice president, called Hogue's claims "unfounded" and said a disclaimer found on webworldinc.com — one of the sites Hogue asked the administration to investigate — justified the department's use of the ladder tips.

However, Hogue said Mears did not rule on the other Web site he submitted for investigation: linfield.edu/safety/Training%20Programs/training_briefings.htm.

That site is the home page for Linfield College's campus safety department. The Linfield site credits "tailgate briefings" as the source for its safety tips. The YSU bulletin does not.

Also, one line of the Linfield post contains a typographical error that is also found on the EOHS post. Both publications spell the word gripping as "gripping."

Written in the Linfield post is, "When climbing or coming down a ladder, always face the ladder, and keep both hands free for gripping the side rails."

Number 11 of the safety tips in the YSU bulletin states, "ALWAYS face the ladder and keep both hands free for gripping the side rails when climbing or coming down a ladder."

When told of The Jambar's investigation, Hogue said the administration's ruling on the ladder safety tips leaves him pessimistic that the new findings could be pursued.

"I trusted the system to work, and it failed miserably," Hogue said. "I'm not sure what can be done. Unless there's a copyright violation — and I can't find any — I can't find any rule that holds employees responsible [for plagiarism]."

Hogue said the potential plagiarism sets a bad example for students, who according to the Student Code, can be punished if found guilty of plagiarism.

"I'm just not sure now what to tell students about using information without citing it," Hogue said.

"I used to know what to tell them. But if the university does not live up to its own standards, concerns about plagiarism become empty concerns."

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a black man shining a white man's shoes and burning crosses.

She said she asked Sylvester, Scalamoto and Scalamoto's brother, Vince, how they would feel if someone said something racist about white people. She said they told her they wouldn't care.

"When I was leaving, I said, 'F** you, white motherf**ers,' and everyone got offended. And I said, 'Why are you offended? It wasn't directed towards you,'" Swiney said.

She said she is going to be punished for her remarks as well, although she doesn't

know what her punishment will be.

"I said it to prove a point," Swiney said. "I don't think I should get the same punishment as they did."

Swiney said her friend Natalie Graziani went with her to confront the students who had the pictures on the door and became angry. She said Graziani slapped Vince Scalamoto when he tried to calm her down.

Swiney said Graziani has been put on probation for the incident.

Jack Fahey, director of Housing Services, confirmed

that he and University Police have filed complaints against students.

Fahey, however, refused to confirm or deny reports that students have been asked to move out of the dormitory.

Fahey also said he could not comment on what kind of punishment any of the students face.

Dorothy Collins, adviser of the YSU chapter of the NAACP, said they discussed the incident at a meeting, and students said they were upset.

Valerie Banner, Jambar Editor, also contributed to this article.

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Carnie. Unlike the temporary suspension of January 2000, this time Ernie's will be closed for good, said Carnie.

The bar served this ten-day suspension when the Liquor Control Commission cited the bar on July 18, 1999 for selling and/or furnishing alcohol to someone under age 21.

The commission also ordered Ernie's to pay an \$800

fine or close for eight days on May 11, 1997. Ernie's owners paid the fine.

According to Patty Haskins, spokesperson for the Ohio Division of Liquor Control, Ernie's has "a number of outstanding underage cases pending."

This year's violations are:
* One on Jan. 24 for selling alcohol to someone under age 21

* Two charges on Feb. 21 for selling to minors

* One charge on May 18 for selling alcohol to a minor

* One charge on May 29 of selling to underage consumers

* One charge of underage consumption on June 21

* One charge of sale to someone under age 21 on Sept. 21

* One charge on Nov. 2 of selling alcohol to minors.

YSU sponsors recycling activities

YSU students are being given a chance to contribute to a cleaner environment, win a drawing and add to their community service hours by participating in America Recycles Day, said Sarah Ellis of Support Services.

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. today there will be numerous displays and information tables, including the

Youngstown Environmental Society and the Animal Rites Coalition, on the first floor of Kilcawley Center, said Ellis.

Sue Grant of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources will be present and will assist with questions and concerns.

From 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. students can assist with litter cleanup.

"If a student wants to participate but cannot attend Kilcawley, then they can meet the group at 127 Lincoln Ave," said Ellis.

Youngstown Litter will provide gloves and bags, and YSU will recycle the litter.

Students can call ahead to Sarah Ellis or Jim Petuch in Support Services at ext. 2294 or attend at their convenience.

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Editorial & Opinion

What We Think Students wrong for racial prank

The students who were allegedly forced to move out of Kilcawley House last week for the offensive symbols and signs they hung on their dorm room doors should have expected the disciplinary action.

We believe these students probably meant it as a joke, but they should have thought about the weight the symbols they displayed carry and the emotions they evoke.

Expelling the students from the university, a likely punishment, seems a bit harsh, but we understand that housing has an obligation to enforce its rules.

We believe the entire situation got out of hand. People getting slapped and others using offensive language to show their anger was not the answer. It's never the answer to such a situation.

Both parties should have thought before taking action.

The students who displayed the symbols should have thought about the reactions of other students in the dorms who would see the images.

The students who retaliated by using their hands and their mouths should have also thought about the repercussions.

Those who think the incident is not a big deal are wrong. Using racist symbols as a joke just isn't funny.

The signs were offensive and insulting, and even though the students may have meant no harm, the contents of the signs should not be taken lightly. The students deserve to be punished.

This may have been meant as a joke, but with racism having such deep roots within American society, those symbolic images carry a deep psychological impact.

And those who think the students who retaliated by slapping and using offensive language were justified are wrong, too.

Violence and offensive language do not solve problems or justify revenge.

It is now up to the students involved in the situation to pursue the action they feel is necessary. It is not up to every other resident of Kilcawley to take matters into their own hands.

Germs contaminate money

By PATRECKA ADAMS
Jambar Assistant Editor

Grocery store clerks, department store workers, gas station attendants and fast food employees do it all the time.

To them, it's something they don't give much thought to. To me, it's one of the nastiest habits I've ever seen.

I'm speaking of the way they lick their fingertips as they count money back.

When I stop and think about it, it seems like money is not only the root of all evil, but it's also the root of most sickness.

Most bank tellers are provided with a wet sponge to use to lubricate their fingertips, and that is perfectly fine. I don't think these other places have caught on yet.

People, money is filthy. Folks put money in their dirty socks, sweaty bras and

dingy underwear.

Then that money is passed onto the clerk, who then licks his or her fingertips, touches the money, licks the fingers again, touches more money and finally gives the money to a customer.

The chain of germs goes on and on.

Who knows where some of the currency we hold in our pockets originates? Andrew Jackson's mug may be a welcome sight in your wallet, but can you be sure that bill hasn't been between someone's funky toes or pressed firmly against someone's butt?

I don't think many people would willingly go around licking a stranger's toes, but that's precisely what they may be doing when they lick their fingertips and handle money.

These fingertip-lickers also expose the public to their own germs.

Sometimes these people have colds or the flu. They handle money and lick their fingers while doing so. Their germladen saliva transfers to the money.

In the course of a day, people may not have time or resources to wash every time they pick up money. Before long, they rub their eyes or put their hands in their mouths — the same hands that have made contact with the nasty money.

A week later, as they're recuperating with chicken soup and a fuzzy, warm blanket, they wonder how they got sick.

And so, the chain of germs goes on and on.

As we head into flu season, I think each of us has to do our part to contribute to a healthier world.

Service workers and other money-handlers: Stop using your own saliva as a lubricant. I know it's yours, and it may

taste good, but it's not sanitary. Take a tip from the people who specialize in money — use a wet sponge.

Employers: Enforce this. Stop thinking of your escalating payroll, and do your part to stop the spread of disease.

Your customers are worth it.

Consumers: Wash those hands! Invest in some antibacterial lotion, or wear disposable gloves.

Don't touch your orifices until you've sung the first verse of "Happy Birthday" while soaping up those fingers.

And if you happen to see people licking their fingertips, don't hesitate to tell them why it's a bad idea. They may get upset, but at least you'll be doing your part to stop the chain of germs.

Remember folks, KFC chicken — not money — is finger-licking good.

Letters to the Editor

Student criticizes recent Jambar article

Dear Editor,

I used to enjoy reading The Jambar when it came out on Tuesdays and Thursdays. However, after reading the Nov. 6 issue of The Jambar, I was extremely disappointed.

I was personally disgusted after seeing the two articles that related to the issues involving Len Perry and the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety.

I think a little too much attention has been promoted to this issue, especially seeing as

how Perry has already been cleared of any and all charges concerning plagiarism. Also, the way in which the article was presented clearly seemed as though The Jambar thought Perry was guilty.

The whole thing seemed to be an attack. The last time I checked, news reporting was supposed to be objective. However, this article seemed totally one-sided, and it seemed as though the writers for The Jambar had already tried and sentenced Perry in their own personal trial.

Secondly, I would like to ask you to please just take a

minute and think about all of this. I don't deny that students who commit plagiarism should be punished. However, even if Perry had been found guilty of plagiarism, do you really think that it is worth all of the time that is being spent on an investigation?

When students plagiarize, they are trying to pass off other's work as their own for personal gain. Perry was having this information published to keep our campus safe, not to personally gain from it. He wouldn't have received any recognition for it. In fact, I dare say that 95 percent of the cam-

pus wouldn't even know that the article existed if not for all this fuss put up by The Jambar and some members of the English department.

So my question that I ask you is what did Perry have to gain from all of this? He would have gained nothing but the hopes that perhaps one less person will be injured on campus. So then why does The Jambar pursue this issue any further and want to see Perry punished?

Nick Hagglund,
Junior,
Chemical Engineering

Corrections

There were two mistakes in the Nov. 8 sports section. The strength and conditioning coach pictured was identified as Brian Wright but should have been Todd Burkey. Also, Martin Stachowicz's name was misspelled.

The letter to the editor from Jennifer Dy, which was published in the Nov. 8 issue, had been changed. She did not

write that the Mariners and the Athletics won the World Series.

A front page photo in the Nov. 6 issue was of Army National Guard helicopters and pilots. Information appearing below the photo was incorrect. The YSU Army ROTC cadets went to the Ravenna Army Arsenal and Training Facility, not the Vienna Air Force Base.

YSU sets double standard, says senior

Editor:

A student plagiarizes from a book — he or she receives an F and a good possibility of being expelled from the university. A YSU employee accused of plagiarism gets cleared of all charges. Should we be surprised that another YSU employee was cleared of plagiarism?

Not at all.

It seems like the university is setting a double standard. It is under the idea that the rules don't apply to it.

Although Len Perry may be qualified for his job, I highly doubt that he has a doctorate in Ladder Safety.

Moreover, Hogue declared that "there are kinds of plagiarism."

I don't think that there are

evil forces at work here." There are not two kinds of plagiarism. Whether the student or YSU employee was plagiarizing on accident or on purpose, he or she is still committing a crime. Thus, before someone turns in a paper or document, he or she should proofread it and accurately cite the sources.

Plagiarism is a severe problem at YSU. The rules must be applied to everyone (profes-

sors, students and other YSU employees). First, Dr. Clara Jennings, former dean of education, now Len Perry — does anyone see a pattern?

The question that must be asked now is: Which "bad apple" will be plagiarizing next?

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Players, not bookies, won World Series

Editor:

Do you hear that noise? The sniffing, the small hitches in breath, the small tears falling to the ground? Can you hear it? Can you see it? It is the all too familiar sound of Mike Sanfillo crying.

Is he serious? Is he even listening to himself? His article suggesting that the World Series was fixed is just preposterous. His arguments are unfounded and biased, to say the

least.

First, Mariano Rivera is not God. He is a mere mortal just like the rest of us. He had pitched a high number of innings during the Series and was due to lose one.

Second, going to second with a bunt is not unusual. Play baseball much, Mike? You always go for the lead runner.

And as for Tony Womack getting on base, that is what he's supposed to do. He is the leadoff hitter for Arizona; the man gets on base.

Now as for Joe Torre being the greatest manager of all time. Yeah, it's really hard to win with one of the highest payrolls in baseball. The Bulls didn't win six titles because of Phil Jackson, and the Yankees aren't winning because of Joe Torre.

The Yankees lost because they were so sure they were going to win they got sloppy. Perhaps it's time for them to wise up to the fact that all the money in the world can't buy you heart.

So don't worry, Mike; you're just going through the classic stages of loss and grief. You've probably already gone through denial, and now you're in the stage where you become sullen and angry at the world. Just wait, and soon you will come to accept that the Yankees lost and that the Diamondbacks are just that good.

Andrew Bell
Freshman,
Criminal Justice

Diamondbacks championship was fair

Editor:

I would like to start off by saying congratulations to the Arizona Diamondbacks; they played a great World Series. Not to take anything away from the Yankees, but the better team won.

Now let's get down to business. Mike Santillo, you don't have to cry and wince about the Yankees losing the World Series. They were beat, and in most likely the best World Series ever. There was nothing fishy about how the Diamondbacks came back to win game seven.

If you look at that game, you can only blame the Yan-

kees for getting beat. The big thing that beat the Yankees was themselves. They had some mental errors that cost them the game, and that's it.

Rivera made a bad throw to second, and yes, maybe Brosius could have thrown to first, but he didn't. Rivera might just be one of the best relievers of all-time, but even the best get beat.

Tony Womack is a professional, and professionals do their homework. So most likely Womack was looking for the first pitch fastball, and he got it.

And as for Counsell getting hit, I think you should get the tape of the ninth inning and watch it again. Counsell clearly gets hit on the wrist.

The other mental error that the Yankees made was pulling infield in with Gonzalez at bat. If the Yankees didn't have the infield pulled in, then Jeter would have caught Gonzalez's hit.

Now for the really strange part: The Yankees being in the World Series in the first place.

Now that's where the bookies came into play. First the series with Oakland. Oakland is up 2-0 in a best of five series and loses the next three ... hummmm. They did play Seattle well, but they should have never been there to begin with.

Now for the World Series. They got their butts spanked in game one and two. Game three

they won fair and square. But let's look at games four and five. Talk about the bookies getting involved. They were down two runs in both games with a 3-2 count both times, and they GOT a two-run homer off Kim in both games.

Now I'm not an Indians fan, but they are the only ones all year to make big ninth-inning comebacks like that. So to say that the World Series was fixed so that the Diamondbacks would win is a false statement. If anything it was fixed so that the Yankees could get to a game seven.

Paul Munson,
Senior,
Telecommunication

Arts & Entertainment

Student's influences are a musical medley

BY CHRISTINA VANOVERBEKE
Jambar Reporter

Sitting on the wall that serves as his stage near the entrance of The Mocha House in Boardman, Khaled Tabbara, junior, telecommunication, has a look that matches his sound.

His navy blue stocking cap almost completely covers his newly bleached hair. His button down shirt and khakis are interrupted by his oversized belt buckle that reads "country."

He is a mix of different styles, influenced by many different sources, and his music is reflective of this.

He describes his sound as "folk-hop" and within the course of a set plays everything from a "country, mama's dying" medley to a rhythm and blues mix featuring "The Thong Song" and "El."

"We haven't found a true definition for the music yet; it's multi-layered," said Tabbara, who plays guitar, piano, bass, harmonica, congas, violin, turntables, various keyboards and organs and even "meticulously tuned water glasses," in addition to singing on his sophomore album *The Bright Blues*.

He is joined on the album by his brother Rashed, who also plays a myriad of instruments.

Although he often plays cover songs at his live gigs, his recordings are all originals.

"Lyrics and music almost always happen to me at the same time," said Tabbara.

"Without sounding too metaphysical or weird, I really feel like I am in the right place at the right time and the right state of mind when I write songs. A good song writer taps into something that everybody feels — something universal."

Tabbara said he is influenced by a lot of country and blues music, but also by the rock and alternative music he listened to growing up, including the Beatles, Flaming Lips, Beck, and the Violent Femmes.



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Tabbara has recently gained a fan base in the Youngstown area after landing a regular gig at The Mocha House in Boardman on Monday nights.

"I lived in Denver about two years ago and played some shows there. When I moved back, I didn't want to stop playing, so I called The Mocha House to see if I could play there," he said.

"At the time they didn't have live music there. They let me play on Sunday, and then again on Monday, which was their slowest night. I have been playing there for six to eight months now, and Monday sales have tripled. Now it's their busiest night."

"Even if the place is closed, we play in the parking lot, and we still get a crowd," he said.

Christen Gabriel, sophomore, undecided, has seen Tabbara play four or five times now. She said his personality is what makes the shows special.

"He has such a unique voice. And it doesn't matter if he doesn't know how something goes, he just makes it up, and it sounds great."

"I also like how he acknowledges the people in the audience," she said.

Last year, Tabbara was accepted to play at The

Nashville New Music Conference in Nashville, Tenn. Once there, he had the opportunity to play for representatives from the music industry.

"It's a showcase for A&R representatives and record producers. They have panels with people in the business who tell you what you should and shouldn't do. It's a place where independent musicians can get to know the industry."

"I would like to put together a showcase like that for artists in our area," he said.

While in Nashville, Tabbara played two shows. One was for the showcase, and one was at The Wheel, a pure country and western bar, where legends like Willie Nelson still play.

Tabbara's albums, *Songs for the Mutha F****n' Kids* and *The Bright Blues*, are available at Barnes and Noble or CD Warehouse in Boardman.

They can also be ordered online at www.cdababy.com or www.youngstownscene.com or purchased from Tabbara, who always has them in his bag or the trunk of his car.

Check out his live acoustic performances at The Mocha House in Boardman every Monday night.

E-mail him at khaledzou@aol.com to find out about further performances.



MUSIC MAN: Khaled Tabbara has put out two CDs, was part of a music conference in Nashville and regularly performs at local coffeeshouses.

Dana School adds new vocal instructor

BY KELLY WALSH
Jambar Editor

Dana School of Music's new private vocal instructor has made a full circle in her singing career.

It all began in the Youngstown area, and after studying and traveling around the United States, she has found her way back to Youngstown.

Jennifer Davis Jones is a soprano who graduated from Austintown Fitch High School. After studying at University of Cincinnati, she went on to earn her master's degree at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia.

In order to get musical experience, Jones apprenticed and toured with various opera programs, including the Western Opera Theater that was recently in Youngstown.

But she has decided to live in this area and teach at YSU because this is her hometown, which forces her to travel to New York and other places for auditions.

"They [students] know I'm 'out there' in the world of music; sometimes I sense that the most important example I can offer is one of a life-long student of music who continues to enjoy the challenging, rewarding process of learning," Jones said.



COURTESY OF DANA SCHOOL OF MUSIC

SOPRANO: Jennifer Jones, a new vocal instructor at YSU, works one-on-one with her students.

Jones works on an individual basis with her students, personally coaching them. She is also a member of the adjunct voice faculty at Ashland University.

Jones hopes to inspire her students to dig in and encourage them to learn all they can and do the best that they can.

"As a performer, I know how tough the competition is, and I want to offer them the best of everything I've learned from my experiences along the way," said Jones.

Jones is scheduled to perform in a solo recital in January at Bliss Recital Hall.

Professional drummer to perform in local bar

BY ERIN MCGEE
Jambar Reporter

Cigarette in hand, Donnie Yallech reminisces about his accomplishments as a professional drummer.

He adjusts his glasses and begins by talking about his days at YSU.

Yallech played for the Youngstown Symphony, the Youngstown Playhouse and a series of bands.

The most notorious band is the B-Minors, which Yallech describes as having been very experimental at the time.

"It was new wave, post punk," he said.

After graduating from YSU, Yallech moved to New York to work with theater. He lived and went to school in Manhattan for his master's degree.

Although away from Youngstown, Yallech continued to perform with his former B-Minors bandmate, Ben Neill. The two spent time playing festivals in Europe when Yallech got a phone call that changed everything.

"I didn't think I'd be back in a rock band," he said. "At that point, it was like changing course again."

The phone call was a re-

quest for Yallech to play drums for The Psychedelic Furs on their album, *The World Outside*. He was with them from the very beginning of the album, through their tour and until they broke up around 1993.

"It was funny I got to play with the Furs because they were very influential for me during the time I played with the B-Minors," he said.

Yallech went on to form the band Feed with former Furs member, Timmy Butler. The band performed for an anniversary party at CBGB's, a famous club in New York, and in other various cities in the United States.

Yallech quit the band after three years.

He said, "It wasn't quite moving where it should've been."

Yallech also got to work on recordings with Joey Ramone, Sara Lee of the B-52's, members of Sonic Youth, composers such as John Cage, Peter Kotic, Steve Reich and dancers such as Carole Armitage.

Yallech went on hiatus from music, accepting a job as a paralegal at Sherman and Sterling in New York. He last-

ed nine months before returning to his real passion when he got a phone call to do the Broadway show "Fame" in Germany.

The tour continued in the United States, but Yallech was "missing rock the whole time."

He said, "Now, I'm basically going through a period of re-aligning myself with doing my own music."

Yallech will have the chance to perform solo under the name d_jelic on Monday at the Cedars Lounge.

There he'll be experimenting with live drums and electronics. He describes part of his sound as a mixture of drum and bass, jazz, folk and many other musical elements.

He said, "I'm trying to make something with the tools that I have."

There will be two sets — one at 8 p.m. and another at midnight.

"I chose Nov. 19 for a specific reason. It's an American anniversary," he said with a grin.

When asked what anniversary, Yallech would only reply, "You have to go to find out. It's incorporated into my performance."

Weekend Events

Thursday

Avalon Gardens Love Cake (Jazz) 8 p.m.

Avalon Inn Jeff Wachter, piano 7-10 p.m.

Cedars Swing music night 10 p.m.

Choices Disco Explosion 9 p.m.

Club Leon's Gary Pirring 10 p.m.

Hammer Jacks TBA

Hot Rod Jimmy Thacker and the Drivers Blues

Mocha House-Boardman Michael C. Hartt

Opus 21 Joe Augustine, piano 6-10 p.m.

Friday

Avalon Gardens Frankie and the Sensations

Avalon Inn Jeff Wachter, piano 7-10 p.m.

Cedars November Loop 10 p.m.

Chrystal's Doug Smith

Club Leon's Nevermind 10 p.m.

Funny Farm Doc Dixon, Steven Scales

Hammer Jacks Binge (Dance rock)

Kuzman's Edsels (Oldies) 8:30 p.m.

Leslie's Lounge House Band 10 p.m.

Opus 21 Joe Augustine, piano 6-10 p.m.

Salty Grog's Binder 10 p.m.

Saturday

Avalon Gardens Breeze Bros.

Avalon Inn Jeff Wachter, piano 7-10 p.m.

Boomer's Mello Crush 10 p.m.

Cedars Dafoulamind 10 p.m.

Chrystal's Richards & Neely

Club Leon's Live music 10 p.m.

Funny Farm Doc Dixon, Steven Scales

Hammer Jacks Lazarus (Original '80s hits)

Hot Rod Cafe Tripside (Dance rock)

Johnny's North Coast (Electric covers)

Kuzman's Fedorchak and Sinchak

Leslie's Lounge Live music

Mocha House-Warren Blue Max Shang 8-11 p.m.

Opus 21 Joe Augustine, piano 6-10 p.m.

Salty Grog's Nevermind 10 p.m.

Sunday

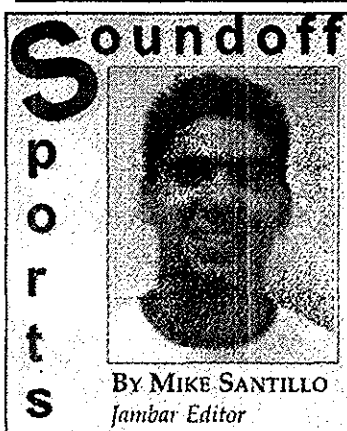
Avalon Gardens Frank Castellano (Jazz)

Mocha House-Boardman Brent

Salty Grog's Acoustic Jukebox 9:30 p.m.

Also this weekend... The Plaza Cafe will present the [youngstownscene.com](http://www.youngstownscene.com) Web site relaunching on Saturday. Five bands will perform, starting at 9 p.m. in order to support the new and improved site.

Sports & Recreation



Browns-Steelers rivalry is dead

After consecutive losses, the Cleveland Browns are looking like the Browns of old. I will admit I am not a Browns fan, but when they were sitting at 4-2, I started to believe in them.

I blame myself for that; I should've known better. I forgot the Browns would never be good.

For one they have the ugliest uniforms in the league. Nice orange helmets by the way.

Look at the way they lost their last two games; it's typical Cleveland. They were up 21-7 with 3 minutes left against the Chicago Bears and were dominating on defense all day. So what do they do? They go in prevent defense.

Good move, Butch. They gave up a quick touchdown, didn't recover the on-side kick, gave up a hail mary pass to send the game into overtime and then lost in overtime.

That's what Tim Couch gets for talking smack when the game wasn't over.

Only the Browns can do that. I love watching them play; they always cheer me up.

Now for this week's game against Pittsburgh. For the record I am glad they lost; I just wanted to throw that out there.

Anyway, the Browns lost in overtime again, 16-13. This may have been the worst offensive game I have ever seen. Both teams were horrible, but the Browns were the worst.

How many quick slants can a team possibly run? I mean honestly, all the 3-step drops Cleveland ran were ridiculous.

The Steelers safety jumped the quick slant every time, and I mean every single time. Hey Butch, call for a pump fake, and throw the up route on the sideline; it would've been six. It's not brain surgery.

Let's see third down and 25; let's run a quick slant over the middle. And you wonder why you guys lost the game. Good luck next week against Baltimore. Just keep running those quick slants over the middle, Butch.

Seriously, all they had to do was pump fake on the slant; the safety would've bitten, and that would have been it. The guy would've been so wide open. Kordell Stewart could've made the throw. All right, maybe not that wide open but pretty close to it.

The Browns-Steelers rivalry is supposed to be one of the best in the NFL.

Yeah, sure it is. I was on the edge of my seat, waiting to see who would kick the next field goal. The Steelers haven't been in the zone in two weeks.

I love how Kordell Stewart thinks he's good now because the Steelers are 6-2. The defense and Jerome Bettis run that team, not Kordell. Fumble on the one-yard line again, buddy.

This rivalry died when Art Modell moved the team. It has never been the same and will never be the same.

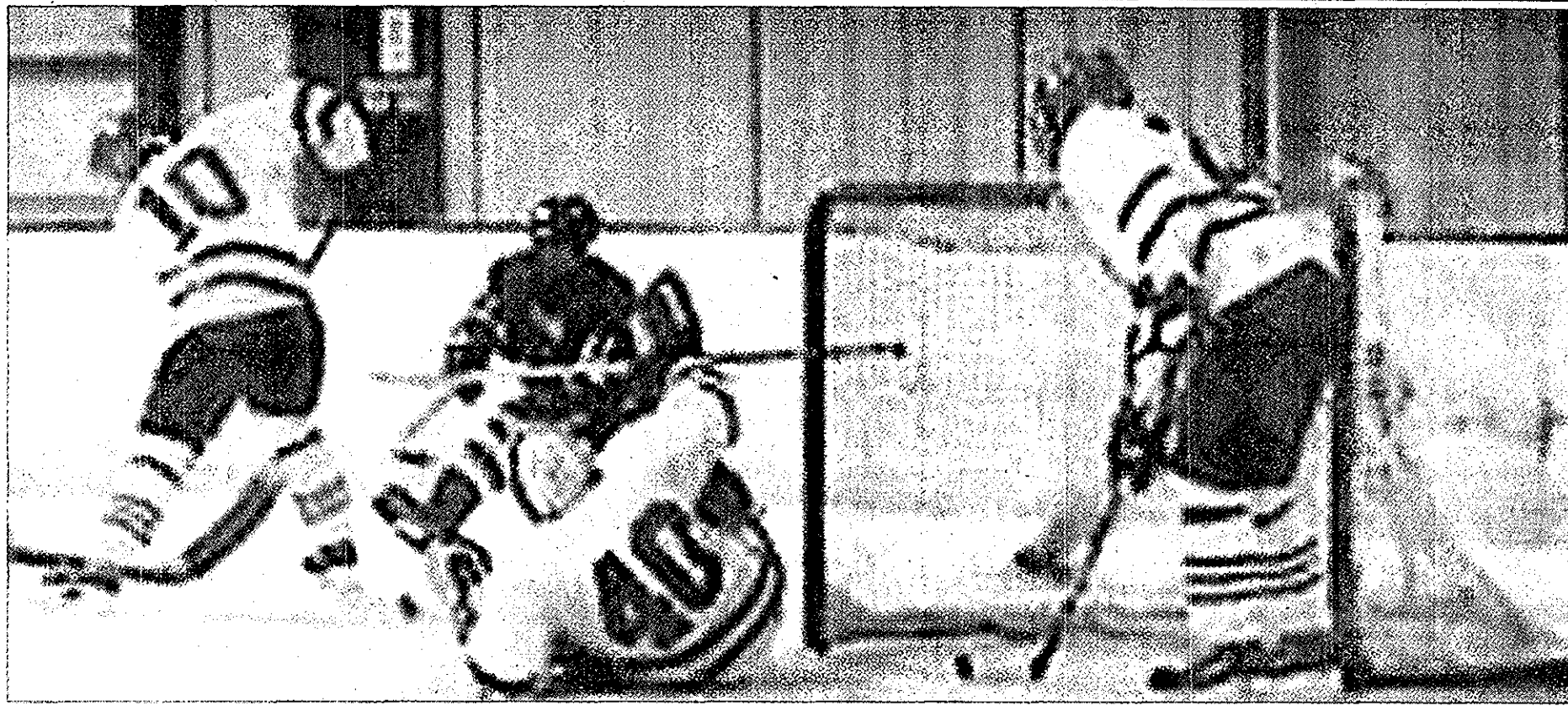


Photo courtesy of Christine Novicky

BLOCK IT: YSU goalie Andy Wilson stops a Penn State shot. Also pictured are Adam Krehnovi (10) and J.J. Silverman (25).



Photo courtesy of Christine Novicky

SHOOT IT: Kenny Mizicko wins a face-off in the second period of Sunday's game against Penn State West.

Hockey has big weekend

BY CHRISTINE NOVICKY
Jambor Reporter

The YSU hockey team defeated Pitt-Johnstown 6-3 Saturday but struggled at home Sunday evening, losing 10-4 against Penn State West.

YSU has a record of 1-2-1 and is currently in third place in the South division of the Western Pennsylvania College Hockey Association.

Saturday at Pitt-Johnstown, YSU goalie Andy Wilson made an impressive 51 saves, leading the Penguins to their first victory of the season Saturday afternoon and their first road win in three years.

Pitt-Johnstown scored early in the first period, but Kenny Mizicko, matched their goal later in the period on a pass from winger Mike Drozda.

Pitt-Johnstown took the lead once again in the start of the second, but YSU battled back to tie the game at two with a goal by Tom Skook, assisted again by Drozda.

Later in the second, Tim Novicky tapped in a rebound off of a shot by

Dan Umbs to give the Penguins a 3-2 lead. With two minutes left in the second, Adam Krehnovi scored his first goal of the year, beating three UPJ defenders and then firing a shot into the top of the net, extending the lead to two.

The Penguins never looked back, and in the third period Skook took a pass from Drozda off the boards and scored his second goal of the game shorthanded, giving the Penguins a three-goal lead.

Pitt-Johnstown followed with another goal, but YSU quickly answered when freshman Kenny Mizicko scored a second goal of his own, assisted by Dustin McMaster. The final score was YSU 6-3.

Sunday at home, two hundred hockey fans came to see Penn State West take on the Penguins at the Ice Zone in Boardman.

Just seconds in the first period, Penn State scored off of a rebound in front of the net. With 9:02 left in the period Matt Cerimele tied the game, scoring his first goal of the year from Skook.

The Penguins then took the lead on a backhanded shot off the stick of Krehnovi, assisted by Mizicko.

In the second period, Penn State came back with a goal, tying the game at two, but Mizicko took the ensuing face-off and blew past the Penn State defense with an unassisted goal to recapture the lead.

The game belonged to the Lions from then on, as they exploded for four goals before the end of the second, giving them a 7-3 lead.

Another Penn State goal seconds into the third ended any chance of a Youngstown comeback.

The Penguins were able to score a late goal credited to Dustin McMaster off of a slap shot from the point, but it was too little, too late. The final score was 10-4.

The Penguins play their next game Sunday at home at the Ice Zone in Boardman against Carnegie Mellon University.

The time of the game is 7 p.m. For detailed stats, photos and video clips, visit the Web site at <http://www.geocities.com/ysuhockey>.

Two more wins spell play-offs for Penguins

BY MIKE SANTILLO
Jambor Editor



HEACOCK

The YSU football team will play its final home game of the season Saturday against

Elon University. This game will be the traditional senior day game. This will be the first time the two teams have ever met.

Will that be a factor? Head coach Jon Heacock doesn't think so. "I think we have the advantage because it's a must-win game for us," said Heacock. "It doesn't matter who comes in here."

The Penguins have 21 seniors of this year's squad, and all of them said they hope this will not be the final home game of their careers.

Emotions will be riding high Saturday.

Marcus Green, linebacker, said, "This game will be very emotional; we cherish every moment of everyday and want to play well this week so it won't be our last home game."

Jeff Ryan, quarterback, said, "We don't want it to end. We're not ready to put away our pads."

"As seniors, we need to have our best games," said Ryan.

Head coach Jon Heacock said he has nothing but respect for his seniors and couldn't be more proud of them.

"They are what this team is about; they are a special group," said Heacock.

Sean Guerriero, wide receiver, also talked about the emotions and what he has appreciated the most throughout the past four years.

"Just running out and seeing the crowd go nuts is a great feeling," said Guerriero. "You really do appreciate seeing the community come together and support us."

The Penguins had a much needed bye-week last week.

"It felt like we needed the rest mentally and physically," said Heacock.

Eugene Mintze, wide receiver, said, "We got back to the basics — ran plays that worked for us at the beginning of the season and got some rest."

"My emotions right now are focused on beating Elon," said Mintze.

Bob Sivik, linebacker, said he does not want this to be his final home game.

"It's such a blessing to play here. Our fans are one of the best in the nation," said Sivik.

Elon enters the contest at 2-8, but that record can be very deceiving.

Elon plays the toughest schedule in the country. Its opponents have a combined record of 47-31.

Last week Elon led for

most of the contest against second ranked Georgia Southern before losing 27-21 in the final seconds.

Elon head coach Al Seagraves said, "Watching Youngstown on film, I think they will be the best team we'll face all year. They are a very physical team with great team speed."

The Penguins have not had much success on senior day. Since 1995, the Penguins have won just one senior day.

Elon will bring its wishbone offense to the Ice Castle. Elon is averaging 214 yards on the ground and a dismal 74 in the air.

The Elon passing game ranks second to last in the country.

Elon is giving up 30 points per game and 414.7 yards per game.

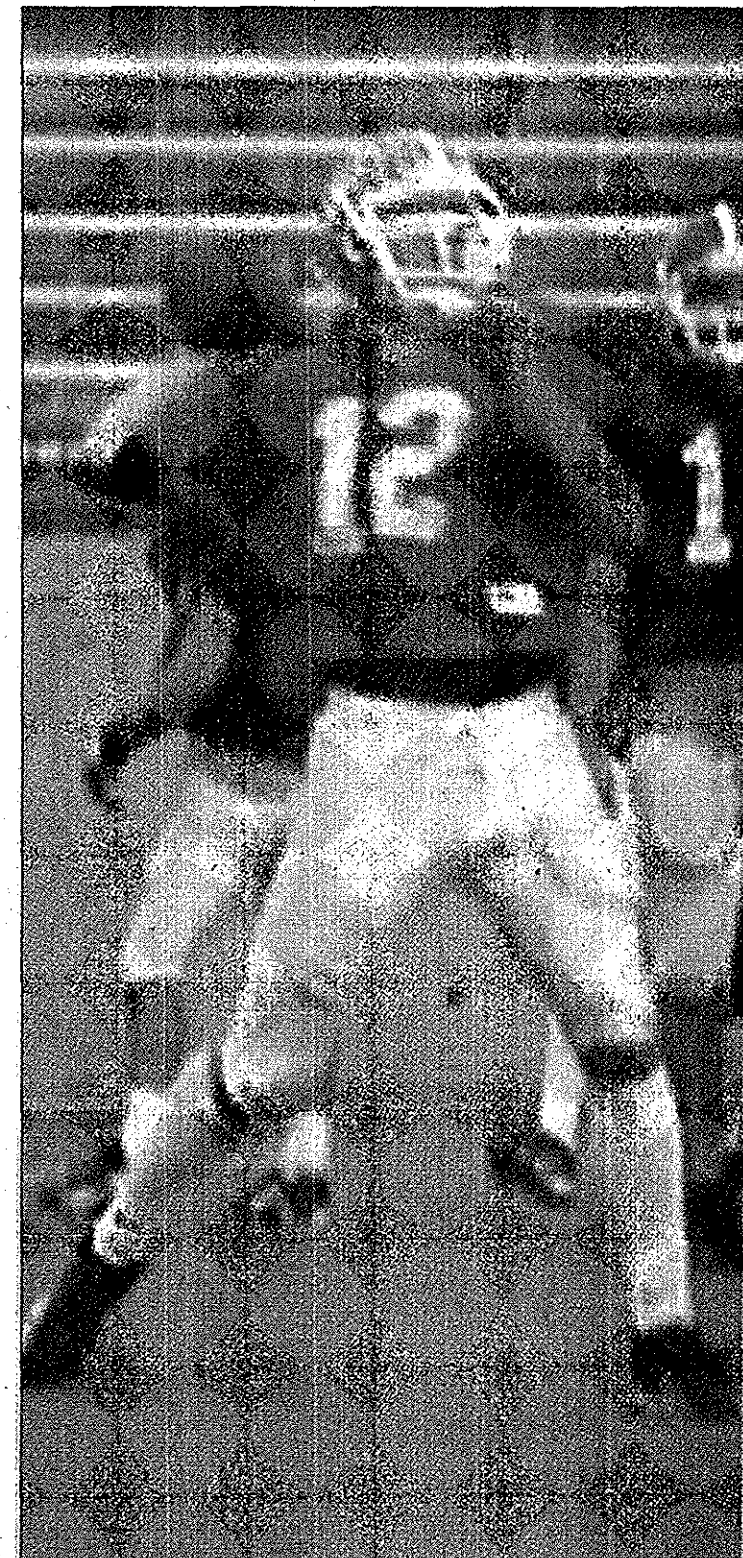
Still, the Penguins know they will have their hands full this Saturday.

"This is a very talented football team. They play a difficult schedule," said Heacock. "It will be everything we can imagine it to be here at Stambaugh Stadium."

Heacock and the gang are confident this senior day will be a successful one.

"We are going to do everything we can to make sure this is not our last home game," said Heacock. "This group is going to play as hard as they can; they are a special group, and I think we are in good hands."

Kickoff is set for 1 p.m.



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PASS IT: Freshman quarterback Ben Bair (12) practices on Wednesday with the football team. The Penguins take on Elon this Saturday at the Ice Castle.

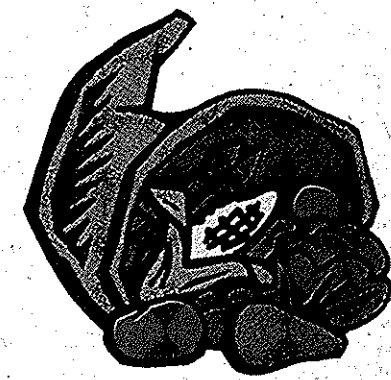
Elaine Parke signed copies of her book *Saturday* in Kilcawley Center. Page 4



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Tuition rise confirmed

By VALERIE BANNER
Jambar Editor

LAST week as YSU students completed registration for spring semester, YSU administration made the decision to raise tuition for spring semester.

Terry Ondreyka, vice president for financial affairs, said a mid-year tuition increase is one of four ways he and Dr. David Sweet, university president, plan to compensate the \$3 million budget cut from the state.

It's a decision students say should have come weeks ago.

Although Ondreyka said he

has not made a recommendation about how much to raise tuition, "It's no doubt that it's part of what we'll recommend to the president and what he'll recommend to the Board of Trustees," he said.

He said he plans to present his recommendations to Sweet next week when Sweet returns from a national presidential conference. The final decision will most likely be made at the Dec. 19 Board of Trustees meeting.

The other parts of the plan include tapping "slightly" into the reserve budget line and re-balancing the money in the gen-

eral operating fund and the auxiliary and administrative fund. The general operating fund includes academic, student affairs and athletic accounts.

Ondreyka said there is about \$5 million in the reserves, but he doesn't want to use more than 5 percent of that money.

"The reason is we don't know this is over," said Ondreyka, referring to the possibility of more budget cuts.

Mark Jacyszyn, freshman, business management, said, "As a student, I think we pay enough already. They should have made us aware of this pri-

or to when we scheduled."

Ondreyka said the university is working to assist students with finding ways to cope with the increase, including emergency loans, tuition payment plans and employment opportunities. Sweet has promised not to cut student jobs or wages.

"I strongly believe that no student will be forced to withdraw from the university as a result of any mid-year tuition adjustment," said Ondreyka.

Ondreyka said the administration didn't want to make hurried decisions and chose a more strategic and careful approach.

YSU safety office removes bulletins

By HENRY GOMEZ
Jambar Assistant Editor

Two safety bulletins are no longer available through the YSU Department of Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety Web site after a Jambar investigation uncovered evidence of possible plagiarism.

Last Wednesday, both bulletins were accessible through links on the safety department's site. On Thursday, shortly after The Jambar was dropped on campus, the links disappeared.

Safety Director Len Perry could not be reached for comment, and a department secretary said he was out of town on business.

The Columbus lawyer representing Perry said his client was innocent of plagiarism.

Suspicious of plagiarism first arose last month when Robert Hogue, associate professor, computer information systems, asked the YSU administration to investigate a ladder safety tips bulletin distributed by the safety department. A ruling by Dr. G.L. Mears, executive vice president, said Hogue's claims were "unfounded."

In the latest turn of events, the links for bulletins — listed in Thursday's Jambar as having material that could be found on other Web sites, attributed to other authors — have been removed, but the pages are still active.

Ralph S. Silvestri Jr., the attorney representing Perry, said the department is acting appropriately.

"[The bulletins were] removed as a result of what any person wrongfully accused of unethical behavior would do: Prudently review the alleged unethical actions and take precautionary steps to alleviate any

problem that might exist," Silvestri wrote in a letter faxed Monday to The Jambar. "After such removal and review, it has been determined that no problem exists here."

However, the department's bulletin on ground fault circuit interrupters is still available, although unlinked, at cc.ysu.edu/eohs/bulletins/GFCIHM.htm. The equestrian safety post is located at cc.ysu.edu/eohs/bulletins/Equis%20Safety.htm.

Only the names of YSU and the safety department appear on the YSU sites.

Paul Cothran, owner of Tri-Western Inspection Systems, is listed as author of the ground fault circuit interrupter bulletin on at least two other Web sites, including the home page for the Las Vegas-based Tri-Western.

Claudia Lawrence-Cothran, executive director, Tri-Western, said no one from YSU has asked for or been granted permission to use the text.

But the text, nearly verbatim and without Cothran's name, appeared on the safety department's Web site until last Thursday.

Also gone from the safety department's Web site is the post on equestrian safety, featuring a cartoon cited by other Internet sources as "Cowboy after O.S.H.A." by artist J.N. Devin in 1972. The safety department's site makes no mention of the title or artist.

Silvestri said no act of plagiarism has occurred and that the allegations involving Perry center around whether or not he violated any YSU guidelines.

"The use by Mr. Perry also violated no known provision of the code of conduct ... as applied to faculty, nor did it violate the entire, complete definition of plagiarism," Silvestri said.

PLAYOFF PURSUIT



Jose Gonzalez / The Jambar

STRENGTH IN NUMBERS: The YSU Penguins prepare for the kickoff against Elon University on Saturday. The Penguins defeated Elon 45-7 at Stambaugh Stadium. See story on page 4.

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Student wants readers to know what he thinks, and shares his view on The Jambar staff editorials. Page 3

Note:

Because of the upcoming holiday, The Jambar will not publish Thursday. Happy Thanksgiving, and enjoy the break.

Weather

Partly cloudy today and Wednesday. High around 40 today. Low around 30. High in the mid-40s Wednesday. Low around 30. Partly cloudy Thanksgiving. High in the mid-40s. Low around 30.

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Athletes miss home cooking

By CHRISTINA VANOVERBEKE
Jambar Reporter

In addition to the smell of turkey, the sound of family chatter and the sight of Macy's parade, YSU basketball players will experience the smell of sweat, the sound of basketballs dribbling and the sight of the court this Thanksgiving.

YSU basketball players are required to practice on Thanksgiving Day, making it difficult to go home for the holiday.

"We do a lot of things to make sure the players have somewhere to go," said John Robic, men's basketball coach.

Out-of-town players come to the coach's home for dinner, or one of the in-town players takes them to their home, he said. The holiday practice will affect eight out-of-town players.

Women's Basketball Coach Steve DiGregorio said, "The players understand they won't be able to go home for many of the holidays when we recruit them. That time of year is right in the heart of our season. Many of them are used to this kind of practice schedule from playing with their high school teams."

He said the team needs to

be prepared for Saturday's game against Kent.

"Sure, they would probably like to go home, but we're a family; that's what this team is," said DiGregorio.

Jen Horner, senior, social work, from Toledo, is one player whom this practice schedule affects.

"The first Thanksgiving I was here Coach let me go home, but not since then," said Horner, who is also one of the team's newly named captains.

"It's not a lot of fun because Thanksgiving is the biggest holiday in my family, and I have to miss it every year," she said.

"I haven't had a real Thanksgiving dinner with them in three years. Last year we were in Florida for a tournament. We had Thanksgiving dinner at some restaurant. We had little sandwiches and hors d'oeuvres," said Horner.

The team's captain, Monica Vicarel, senior, biochemistry, said Horner will be welcome in her home for the holiday.

"I haven't had anyone over my house for Thanksgiving dinner yet, but my mom usually cooks for the team a couple times a year. She loves to do that," said Vicarel.



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COLD TURKEY: Turkey has been a long-time tradition for Thanksgiving, but some prefer to have a meatless holiday.

Vegging out on turkey day

By PATRECKA ADAMS
Jambar Assistant Editor

Americans across the nation will sit down to tables loaded with turkey, ham, dressing, gravy, macaroni and cheese, mashed potatoes and desserts Thursday as they celebrate Thanksgiving Day.

However, many people will be choosing to forgo the traditional Thanksgiving Day feast for a meatless vegan or vegetarian one.

One such person is Dan Kuzma, sophomore, environmental science.

Kuzma said he purchased the "Un-Turkey," which is a wheat gluten roast that includes drumettes and gravy. The en-

tire meal is vegan.

Kuzma said people who want the look, feel and overall taste of a traditional Thanksgiving meal can still prepare regular foods, but without the animal products.

"If you want tradition you can make stuffing using no chicken or beef broth, and gravy can be substituted with vegetable stock and flour for consistency along with your favorite seasonings.

For the dark gravy color and more seasoning, you can add Kitchen Bouquet Browning and Seasoning sauce until you reach the gravy's desired look," he said.

Kuzma also added that people can substitute butter, eggs and milk in pies and cakes with

soy milk, vegan margarine and egg substitute.

The Good Food Co-op in Youngstown sells vegan and vegetarian products, such as the "Un-Turkey" and "Tofurky."

General Manager Betsy Stark said people who wish to add healthy variety can find many products at the Co-op to get them started.

"There are a lot of alternatives to doing turkey," she said. "There's a whole realm of foods that are just incredible."

Stark said the Co-op's focus is on whole foods.

She said people can try whole breads such as wheat or rye instead of white bread in stuffing.

Editorial & Opinion

What We Think

Time for action: Rally against more state cuts

Students are speaking out. In newspapers and on newscasts, YSU students are expressing their outrage over a now all-but-certain mid-year tuition hike. Some say rates are getting so high they might as well go somewhere else with comparable tuition and better education.

State budget cuts have forced several state universities to raise tuition mid-year. Terry Ondreka, vice president, financial affairs has said YSU will soon do the same. But as the complaints roll in, the people who make the decisions aren't listening.

It's time to stop talking and time to take action. We're proposing to students from all 13 state universities in Ohio that they band together and rally the state Legislature for a change.

For far too long, the students of Ohio state schools have been wronged by their state representatives.

The representatives have ignored the importance of higher education by hefting the burden of the state's financial crisis to the colleges. Although money given to universities comprises about 12 percent of the state budget, more than 50 percent of the cuts came from money allocated to universities.

Complaining about the lack of money isn't getting us anywhere. It's time to get involved. We're asking that members of student governments at every state university help organize a protest in Columbus.

The people who have forced these tuition increases upon us are the ones who need to hear us. The state lawmakers, not the presidents of our universities, are the ones who should be tapping into reserve funds.

Ondreka has suggested that more cuts are expected this year. Our lawmakers need to know that we won't stand for further cuts.

So far, the wrong people have heard our complaints. We think this protest would be a good way to let the men and women we have elected to the state Legislature know that we won't let them abuse our education anymore.

The protest should be held Dec. 17, the Monday after finals week.

Not only will this date give us time to organize it, it will also show our representatives how much we care about our education.

It's time our legislators learned we cannot be ignored. Show your care. Let your voice be heard.

Joe Long, SG president, has talked confidently and passionately in the past about serving students. Helping to organize a student rally in Columbus would be a great step.

But he can't do it alone. State budget cuts affect us all. Students must show their concern and be aggressive toward their cause.

What You Think

What is your favorite Thanksgiving tradition?



MICAH ANDERSON,
freshman,
music education

"I just enjoy that it's a time for the family to get together and have a good meal."



TOWANA STEVENS,
sophomore,
clinical lab science

"Just sitting with my family ... I don't always get to see them during the year."



CYNTHIA CARTER,
freshman,
social work

"Food, my family together, the friends and watching the game."



ROSS SAPIENZA,
freshman,
civil engineering

"Spending the whole day with my family."



GARY BOWERS,
sophomore,
criminal justice

"Playing football."



RAQUEL MCKINNEY,
freshman,
computer science

"Being with my family and hanging out with my sister when she comes home from Atlanta."

This is what he thinks

By MICHAEL PHILLIPS
Jambar Contributor

I'm tired of hearing what The Jambar thinks. Every paper, without fail, there's a section that is appositely called "What We Think."

Nobody cares what you think. I certainly don't. And yes, I do understand the hypocrisy in writing a column about the lack of importance in other people's thoughts while establishing the importance in my mind, anyway of my own thoughts. For this, I apologize. But this is the nature of the medium and not my invention.

I digress. The Nov. 15 issue featured the headline "Students wrong for racial prank." Really? I thought racial pranks were good. Huh. I'm glad you pointed that out to me because I would have gone through life not knowing that mocking other races was wrong.

Instead of calling it "What We Think," maybe a more suitable title would be "Masters of the Obvious." Every time I read it, I'm more crestfallen due to the lack of useful information. The position that The Jambar always takes is the one of least resistance.

In the piece written about the closing of the campus dungeon, Ernie McDoogell's, the staff took the rather lawful stance, i.e. advocating that Ernie's should be closed because they, good Lord, serve alcohol to minors.

I'm sure nobody from The Jambar ever tasted alcohol, except for church wine, before they were 21. I'm optimistic that nobody from YSU would partake in such a ruthlessly illegal crime as underage drinking.

Shame on Ernie's for forcing drinks down the proverbial throats of our clean, God-fearing campus.

That is the reality if you believe what is printed. It is The Jambar's job to report the news, and they do a fine job. I respect the staff, and I enjoy the writing. Unfortunately, I cannot agree with a section, albeit a small one, but a section nonetheless being dedicated to the propaganda of a few.

In my darkest days, I went to Ernie's; everybody did. By making the closing look like a crusade, The Jambar was successful only in distancing itself further from an already jaded student body.

Again, I apologize for my rant, but it had to be said. The Jambar, keep doing your job, I'll keep reading. Maybe you can find a more constructive way of filling up part of the editorial page. Maybe that's wishful thinking.

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Letters to the Editor

A double standard is a double injustice

Editor:

Here's what I see: An administrator engages in a pattern of plagiarism. Nothing is done. A dean plagiarizes. Nothing is done. A vice-president threatens physical violence against a faculty member and a lawsuit against another.

Nothing is done. An assistant provost publicly calls a faculty member unethical and unconscionable and provides no proof. Nothing is done. A dean publicly accuses most faculty members at YSU of being plagiarists and provides no proof.

Nothing is done. Another dean appears to have broken federal law by removing copies of The Jambar and expresses what can reasonably be considered intolerant remarks about gays and lesbians.

Nothing is done. Administrators may do as they wish and do so with impunity.

To paraphrase an old tune from "West Side Story," "When you're an administrator, you got brothers around, you're a family man, you're never alone, you're always protected."

But when a student plagiarizes that student likely faces a disciplinary panel. When a student privately expresses frustrations to a faculty member by exclaiming, "I could burn this place," the student is immediately, unilaterally, and without due process suspended by the president.

Whenever a student engages in academic dishonesty or breaches any provision of the Student Code of Conduct, disciplinary consequences almost always follow.

I, and many other members of the faculty, make it clear in syllabi and in class that any student who cheats or plagiarizes will receive an F for the course and face disciplinary action. Students will be held accountable.

To paraphrase another old tune, this time from The Kinks, "If you think you got it bad, you've never been so wrong until you listen to this song; your breaches will be punished and your administrators won't."

I was told that the Sweet administration would restrain itself through scruples and uphold academic standards. It appears I was misinformed.

As Bob Dylan put it, "If it ain't right, then it's wrong." It ain't right for the administration to discipline students when it refuses to do the same to itself for similar infractions.

It's wrong. Justice is fair treatment. By holding itself to one standard and students to another, the administration commits a double injustice: One to itself and another, more serious one, to students.

Dr. Gabriel Palmer-Fernandez,
Professor,
Philosophy and Religious Studies

Gripping gripes

There are not many ways to say it — climbing up and down a ladder — but it is a gripe of mine when the quoted articles talk about gripping the side rails with both hands. In other words, I am gripping about gripping the rails, not about the apparent plagiarism.

It is NOT sensible to grip the side rails of a ladder. The rungs should be gripped with one or preferably both hands. If a foot slips, a side-rail grip won't help much, but a hand or two gripping the rungs can be a life saver.

Dr. Phil Munro,
Professor,
Electrical & computer engineering

Discipline should be equal

Editor:

I find that when you are faced with a tough decision as to what to do to discipline a student, such as the discipline actions that have been and will need to be taken against the students involved in the racial graffiti, it is best to relate the incident or incidents to past and current policy.

While the university might not have a set policy for racial graffiti, you can liken it to other situations for which students have been removed from the dorms.

It seems to me that the only precedents for removal in the policy would be endangerment, reckless or otherwise, of themselves or another person, as in the case with bomb threats and the anthrax scare, pranks or destruction or theft of school or other students' property.

Yes, the students who left the racial graffiti were wrong and do deserve to get disciplined, but there is no precedent for them to even be kicked out of the dorms, let alone suspended or expelled.

Furthermore, many students, including myself, believe it would be a travesty in the face of civil rights if Ellana Swiney and Natalie Graziani aren't disciplined AT LEAST to the extent of Chad Sylvester and Anthony Scalmato. Unlike Sylvester and Scalmato, who allegedly wrote their graffiti with no malicious intent, Swiney voiced her racial slur with nothing but malicious intent, and Graziani endangered a fellow student, which is blatant grounds for removal from the dorms.

Sylvester and Scalmato were wrong. Swiney and Graziani were equally wrong.

I hope the university takes the appropriate actions when disciplining both parties and also takes measures to correct any mistakes it might have made in disciplining the students already.

Lawrence Jennings,
Sophomore,
Computer Science

Campus Calendar

Wednesday:
The International Student Association will be having a bake sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the entrance of Cushman Hall. For more information call Kinga Orban at (330) 629-9943.

November 26, 27, 28: The MGT 3735 class is doing a project on diversity from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the arcade, Kilcawley Center. A video, posters and essays created by students from Canfield, Liberty and Campbell high schools will be displayed. For more information contact Tamara Blank or Dr. Anne McMahon at (330) 544-0338.

Wednesday, Nov. 28:
The YSU Dental Hygiene Program will host an Open House from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Room 1112, Cushman Hall. Prospective students will have the opportunity to tour the Dental Hygiene Clinic and meet with faculty, academic advisers, current students and staff from Undergraduate Admissions. The two-year program in dental hygiene leads to the associate's degree in applied science. This program requires five semesters of study, including one summer semester. The program is designed to prepare dental hygienists for work in private practice, in school systems, dental health programs, health agencies, hospitals, research programs or public health settings. To RSVP, call (330) 742-1767.

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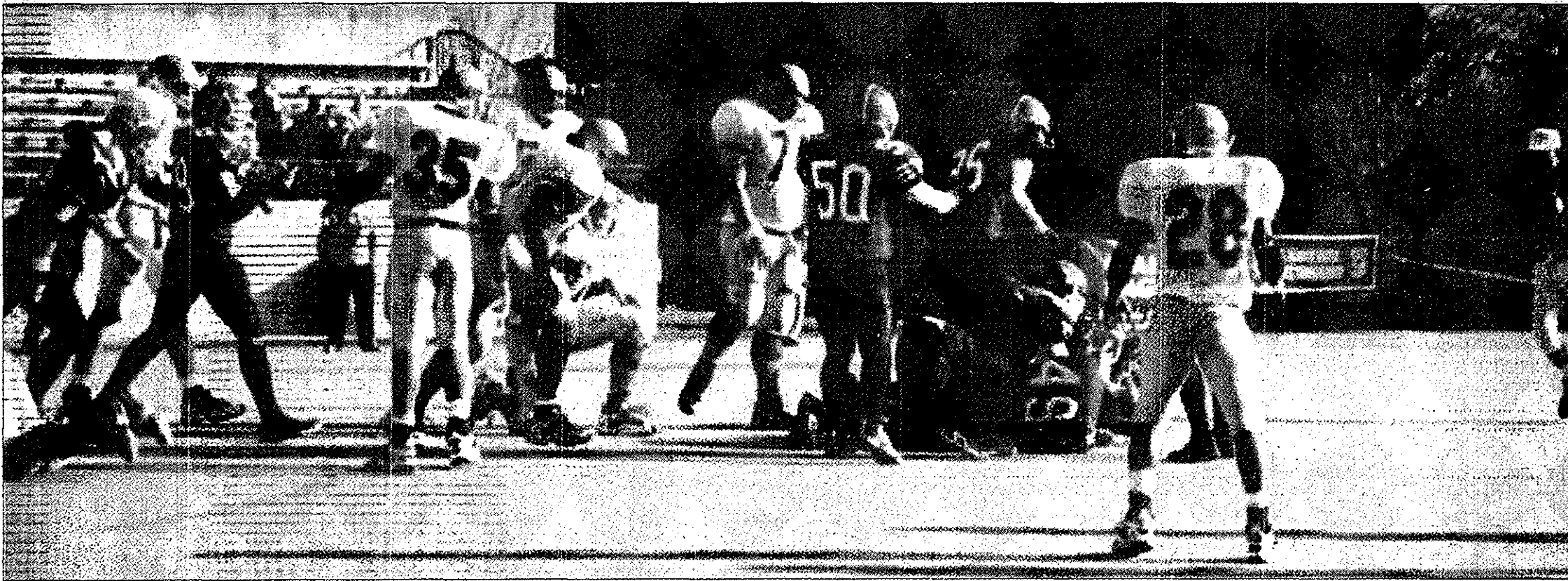
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Sports & Entertainment



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PLAY HARD: The Penguins show their defensive skills against Elon with a tackle. YSU won with a 45-7 victory. This will be the final home game unless the Penguins make the play-offs.

Win builds Penguins' playoff hopes

By DAN PALOSKI
Jambar Reporter

In what quite possibly could have been the last home football game for 21 seniors, the YSU football players made sure they went out winners, defeating Elon 45-7.

"At the start of the season we knew we had to try and win all our home games," said senior defensive back LeVar Greene.

"In the past we really didn't win any of our senior home games. All the seniors had to come out and play their best games, as well as the younger guys. It's just a great feeling to know we came away with this one," he said.

Jeff Ryan, senior quarterback, said, "Actually, this is the playoffs for us right now. That was round one. We have five more to go."

The Penguins (8-2 overall) wasted little time in setting the tone for the game, scoring on their first two possessions to open up a 14-0 lead.

YSU's first drive covered 59 yards in three plays, capped off by junior running back P.J. Mays' 23-yard touchdown run for a 7-0 advantage.

After forcing Elon to punt, the Penguins started their second drive at their own 23-yard line. Facing a third and eight at the Elon 47, Ryan hit junior tight end Dennis Dlugosz for a 44-yard gain.

Dlugosz finished the game with three receptions for 135 yards. Two plays later Mays found the end zone again, increasing the YSU lead to 14-0.

near the end of the first quarter.

The YSU offense got a little sloppy in the second quarter, turning the ball over twice, both times on fumbles by Mays.

Sandwiched in between the fumbles was Greene's seventh interception of the season.

After the Penguins got the ball back, sophomore running back Mike Burns went to work.

On this drive, Burns carried the ball three times for 66 yards, culminating on a 44-yard touchdown run.

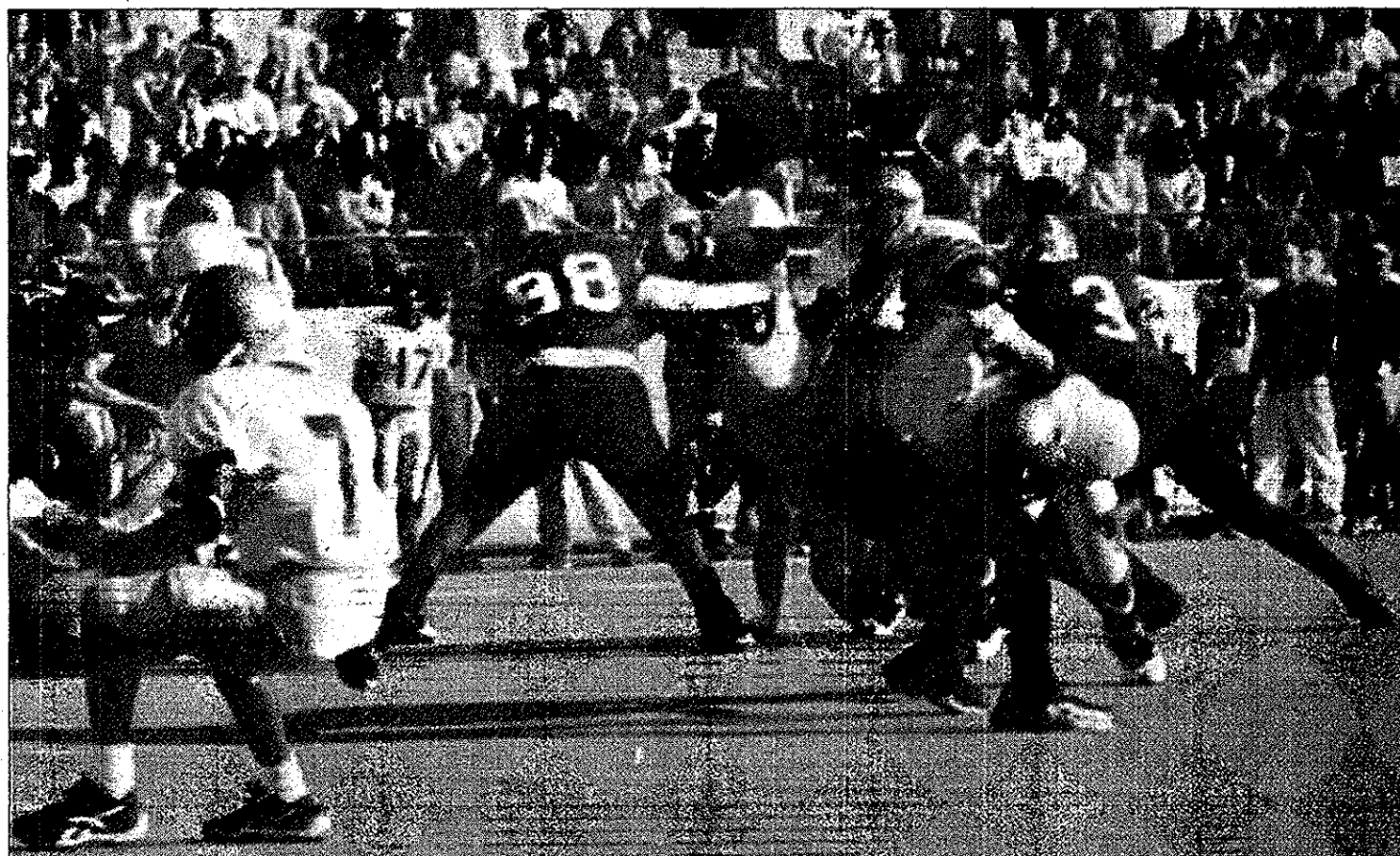
It was Burns' first career touchdown for the Penguins. Sophomore place-kicker Jake Stewart missed the extra point.

"I couldn't do it without the offensive line," said Burns. "I can't give them enough credit. Anyone could have ran the ball through those holes, as big as they were."

Near the end of the quarter, Elon finally began to put a decent drive together, getting down to the YSU 36-yard line. However, the threat was stopped when junior cornerback Anthony Barone intercepted a pass.

"[YSU is] probably better than any team we've played so far," said Al Seagraves, head coach for Elon. "There's no excuses today. Our hats are off to YSU. They were able to handle us."

The Penguin offense took over with 31 seconds in the half. Ryan connected on four straight passes with senior wide out Sean Guerriero, the last one a 13-yard strike for another touchdown, making the score 27-0 heading into the



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DEFENSE: Guy Mazard (98), Bruce Hightower (3) and Jameel Abdur-Raheem (4) stop Elon from gaining yardage.

half.

YSU took the second-half kickoff, driving 51 yards in eight plays down to Elon's 14-yard line. The drive stalled, so the Penguins had to settle for a Stewart 31-yard field goal, pushing their lead to 30-0.

On Elon's first possession of the second half, the YSU defense again came up big, forcing a fumble, which was recovered by Greene. Three plays later, Ryan connected on a 15-yard touchdown pass with senior wide out Eugene Mintz, extending YSU's lead to 36-0.

The Penguin defense again held, forcing Elon to punt out of its own end zone. Sophomore Darius Peterson blocked the punt, resulting in a YSU safety, padding the lead to 38-0.

Elon finally got on the board in the fourth quarter. The Phoenix drove 61 yards in seven plays, ending with a 35-yard touchdown run by Rashaud Palmer, making the score 38-7 in favor of YSU.

Later in the quarter, junior quarterback Colby Street scored on an 8-yard run, pro-

viding the final margin of victory.

Head coach Jon Heacock said, "With the exception of two turnovers, we played like crazy. We had some momentum in our last game. We went out and had a good victory, had a week off and still came out and played with great emotion with some momentum."

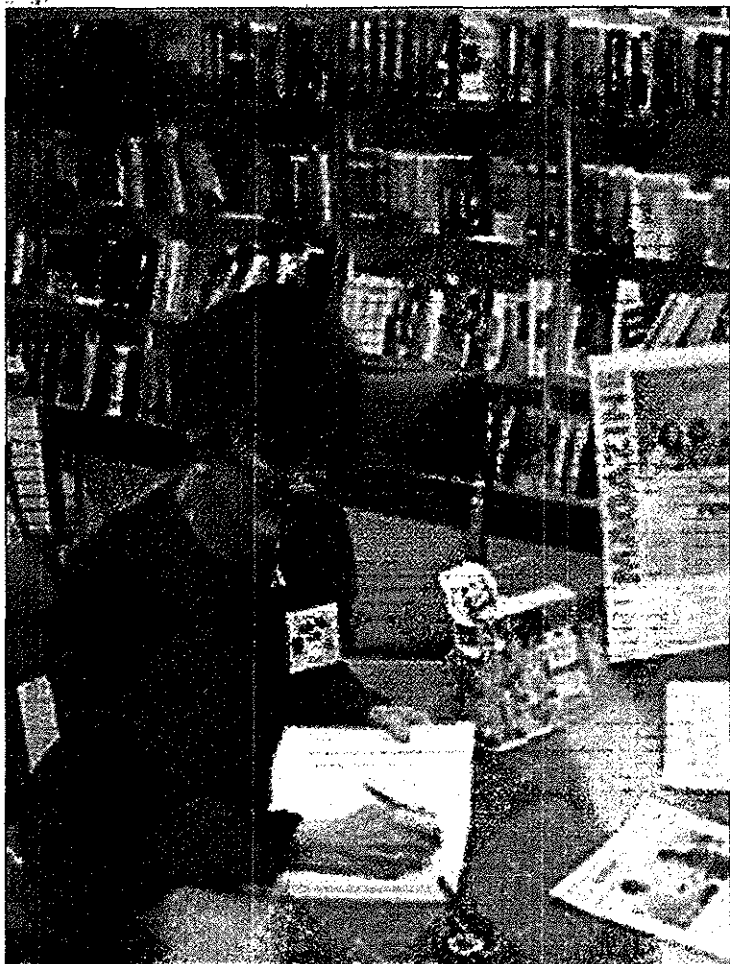
The Penguins gained 609 yards of total offense. Mays led the way with 170 yards and two touchdowns on 15 carries. Burns added 116 yards and a touchdown on 10 carries.

Ryan finished the game 8-of-13 for 164 yards and two touchdowns. The YSU defense held Elon to 223 total yards.

Sophomore Brandon Byers led the way with eight tackles while senior Mike Thomas and red shirt freshman Yancey Marcum each had six.

YSU closes out its regular season next week at I-A Marshall. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.

"The next game is round two," said Ryan. "We're just hoping for five more rounds. We want to end our season with a win."



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SIGN IN: Elaine Parke signs her book, "Join the Golden Rule Revolution." She was at the YSU bookstore Saturday.

Author signs book at YSU

Elaine Parke visits YSU to sign book and encourage positive thinking.

By YESENIA RIVERA
Jambar Reporter

"A dream to create the kind of loving, caring mutual respect between people" is how author Elaine Parke describes her new book, "Join the Golden Rule Revolution."

On Nov. 17 Parke visited the YSU bookstore to sign her most recent book, which is a collection of uplifting quotes, poems, anecdotes and action tips — all strategically matched into each monthly theme.

Parke, 58, is a native of New York City and currently resides in Pennsylvania. She integrates a collection of positive, inspirational ideas that

ask humanity to do well and do it now. She uses innovative marketing principles to attach meaning to certain symbolisms in her book.

"Color makes you think of equality," said Parke.

This ingenious concept came to Parke's attention after she noticed how media influences our society, especially our youth.

"I realized that we need to use what influences kids the most to influence them with something positive," she adds.

Now, as much as people associate an arch with McDonald's, those who have been touched by "The Golden Rule" will associate January's white color peace.

That is, in fact, Parke's ultimate goal: To surrender humanity with positive reminders rather than empty, commercialized logos.

"If we surrender kids with these reminders we can make a

difference," said Parke.

Parke not only encourages people to remember "The Golden Rule" principles, she also urges them to appreciate life.

This is why she chooses May as the month for "Be Appreciative" and November for "Show a positive attitude."

Parke's work does not end here. The "Join the Golden Rule Revolution," which is the result of 15 years of deep research and life experiences, serves as a compliment to her revolutionary school program, "The Caring Habit of the Month Adventure."

Parke said this program inspires students to develop useful social skills such as "Be Patient and Listen" and "Resolve Conflict."

The program provides students with posters with the color of the month, homework planners, bookmarks, pencils and table tents that promote

the inspirational message of the month.

This type of propaganda helps students remember and promote positive thoughts among their peers and family.

"The Caring Habit of the Month Adventure" program is currently serving thousands of students of the western Pennsylvania area.

"The 12 themes ask you to do your best," said Parke.

And that is exactly what students in this program are doing.

Devoted to improving quality of humane relations in our society, Parke continues her journey toward a better life.

"Everyone is powerful. The idea that anyone is unimportant is a dumb idea," said Parke, who invites everyone to "Join the Golden Rule Revolution" now.

The book will be available at the YSU bookstore.