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YSU hosts annual Governor's Summer Institute

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pproximately 200 of Ohio's most talented high school students gathered on the YSU campus for three weeks during the annual Governor's Summer Institute for gifted and talented students, which began July 8.

In its 11th year, the program is designed to bring together students who have completed the 9th or 10th grade and who have shown outstanding talent in a particular area.

Dr. Nancy Sweeney, Special Education, and director of the program, said the Governor's Summer Institute "gives the students an opportunity to sample college and allows them to meet with other students who share similar interests." The students are eligible for the program based on their distinguished performance in four broad areas: overall intellectual abilities, achievement in specific areas, creativity and talent in the visual and performing arts. The selection process is based on a collaborative effort between the local public schools and YSU, assessing the students' interests and their profi-

tioned areas.

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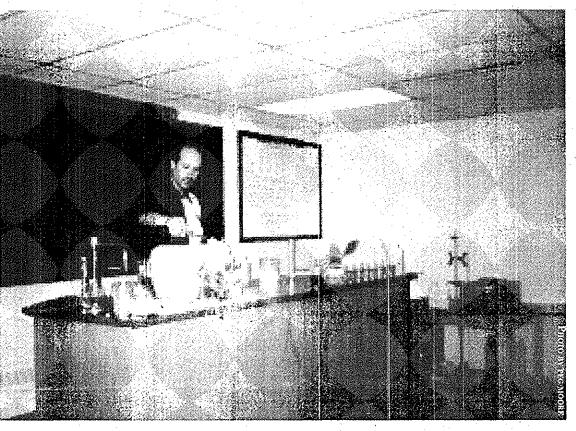
terest and also a chance to explore different areas without the pressures of being tested and graded," said Terese Kightlinger, program coordinator.

The program offers 14 different classes this year. They include archeology, physics, nature photography and African American Studies. Mathematics and astronomy are two classes recently added to the list. The classes are from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and many of the professors have been with the program for several years. "I teach in this program in order to maintain a connection with kids in high school and get a feel for what they know," said Dr.

James Mike, chemistry. In Mike's class the students learn basic chemistry, such as working with measurements and the proper use of laboratory equipment. He also provides hands-on chemistry experiments for the students, such as analysis of water samples and separation of colors. "They don't get a lot of chem-

istry knowledge," said Mike, "but hopefully they'll learn that chemistry is not to be feared; it is relevant to life."

Typically the students spend four days in class, using the last day of their week to display their achievements and share their experiences with other students.



Dr. James Mike, chemistry, conducts chemistry experiment for students attending the Governors Summer Institute for gifted and talented high school students.

Callahan, a student at Poland High are at school," said Caitlin McGrail School, "the teachers seem to of Fitch High School. know what they're doing."

"This program is usually a very Other students commented on positive experience for all students the relaxed atmosphere of the pro- involved," said Sweeney, Besides gram, which they said fosters the valuable learning experience,

over in their selection of a university in the future, she added.

A \$50,000 fund is set aside within the state budget for each college or university participating in the program.

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"It gives the students an oppor-tunity to expand their areas of in-sion of school," said Anne "You're less apprehensive than you able view of YSU that will carry

Routine maintenance closes Lincoln deck summer quarter

"Right now the deck is struc-

TAMMY WILSON "The deck was built in 1971 and **Contributing Writer** The Lincoln Avenue parking

deck is closed for surface and concrete repairs and routine maintenance this summer and is expected to re-open for fall quarter, said Joe Scarnecchia, director of Support Services.

The Lincoln Avenue parking deck is the only parking deck not available this quarter and repairs are expected to be completed by the end of August, said

Scarnecchia. "The deck is in the final stages

of its usefulness and needs repairs every year," said Scarnecchia.

from there,"said Scarnecchia. is one of the first of its kind," said Scarnecchia. "It is very good but decks are built like bridges and they need maintenance," he added. Yearly repairs will keep the deck operating for eight more

years, but then it is possible the deck will be torn down, Scarnecchia said. Other parking facilities will be provided to re-

place the parking places lost in the deck. "Options are being discussed now as to what we will do with the

deck, it depends on financing, it. would cost \$12 million to replace it but hopefully we will get eight more years out of it and can go

turally sound. Engineers would have to shut it down if it were not," Scarnecchia added. The decision to close the deck for repair was made after review-

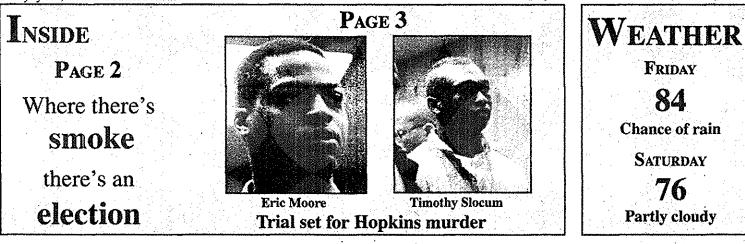
ing the contractor's report submitted to Scarnecchia's office late spring quarter listing the repairs needed.

"I am not happy about the closing at all," said Bruce Conway, junior. Conway did, however, find plenty of parking spaces available in other lots, he said.

Michael Vansack, junior, said

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VCH PARKING THIS DECK WILL BE CLOSED JUNE TO SEPT. PLEASE USE SURFACE LOTS Licoln Avenue parking deck will be closed June to September.



litaria Commentary

Editorial Where there's smoke, there's an election

giant smoke cloud is descending on the United States. It is not the product of industrial pollution, urban smog or nuclear A fallout. Much like the smoke that billowed from the mechanized wizard in the Wizard of Oz, it is the creation of master illusionists, also known as politicians. The smoke, in the form of noncommital responses and wishy-washy press statements, is the politicians key to election. By not taking a strong stand on any issue, politicians hope to appeal to every voter, regardlesss of their views. Bob Dole and Bill Clinton's treatment of the abortion issues is a fine example.

Abortion, while not a pressing national security issue, is a volatile issue. Neither candidate is willing to risk alienating the segment of the population that does not agree with their particular viewpoint. So, although Dole has demonstrated in the past that he opposes abortion, he has called on fellow Republicans to be more moderate on the issue. He more recently demonstrated his moderate stance by choosing Representative Susan Molinari, a pro-choice congressperson from New York, to deliver the keynote address at the Republican National Convention.

Clinton has stated that he supports a~woman's right to choose; however, his goal is to make abortion "safe, rare, and legal." Shortly after entering office, he lifted the gag rule that prevented state clinics from counseling women about abortion. Later, he supported medicaid funding of abortions in cases of rape and incest. More recently though, he has been conspicuously quiet on the subject.

For both candidates the name of the game is smoke-blowing-releasing noncommital puffs that waver and waft in the breezes of public opinion polls. The result is candidates struggling to be uniquely nondescript. Elections are based on a candidate's image and adaptability to public opinion. Instead of selecting officials based on their qualifications, experience and views, we have no choice but to give our votes to the person who we suspect might have values closest to our own. Yet we can never be sure because those values are only as strong as the president's last popularity rating.

Sometimes enthusiasm is contagious

By Kim Kerr MANAGING EDITOR

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I attended the GOE Pre-College Program luncheon on Saturday afternoon and had my day unexpectedly brightened. It's not that I thought the program would not be successful, but I have been to many such programs and generally don't look forward to

them. But, from the moment I walked in, I knew this one was different.

The energy, excitement and enthusiasm was obvious to anyone who entered the Scarlett Room in Kilcawley last Saturday. Students from Youngstown City Schools were on campus for a luncheon to welcome them to a new Pre-College Program offered by the College of Education.

The students will attend a week-long academic camp beginning July 21. They have all been assigned to junior and senior College of Education students who will mentor them throughout high school. The program is funded by the Powers Trust and their representative, Mr. James Mitchell, was as excited as everyone else.

The students were excited about having the opportunity to stay on campus in Cafaro house, having a college student mentor, and, surprisingly, they also look forward to the academic part of the program.

This group is not at all like the image a lot of us have of 13and 14-year-old minority students



from Youngstown City Schools. I guess I bought into the stereotype of kids from Youngstown who happen to be like me, just like a

would respond enthusiastically to educational opportunities.

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Each of the speakers who welcomed the students during the luncheon expressed genuine interest in the students and their parents and a deep concern for

increasing the number of quality teachers. Some were so involved emotionally that they took tissues with them to the podium,

including the coordinator. There were plenty of hugs,

room Saturday. The enthusiasm was so contagious that I found myself wishing I could join this group for camp, and believe me that is not the norm for me!

The key factor for the feelings generated in the room Saturday is mentoring. Mentoring is something that I never really spent any time seriously thinking about, even though my parents have been mentors for kids of all ages for as long as I can remember. Many have tried to recruit me to be a mentor on several occasions, and although I did give it some thought and consideration I decided that I really didn't have the time. Giving something back to the community is really important, especially

smiles, laughter and pride in that

Years of such smoke blowing have produced a constituency that is at best cynical, at worst, apathetic.

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The excitement was lot of other people. But people like generated not only by the College Martha King, a teacher from of Education students and the program participants, who will be entering ninth grade this fall, but also by their parents and relatives and the assistant dean of the College of Education, Ms. Eugenia Atkinson, YSU Board of Trustees, program coordinator.

Hillman who graduated last year from the College of Education, saw the potential in these students. Vivian Kerr, coordinator, also looked beyond the perception of the young people in the community and believed that, if given the chance, young people

when it involves kids.

I guess I am really maturing or something. I couldn't imagine myself thinking or responding like this at this time last year. And by the way, the coordinator of the program is my mother, and I have to say I'm really proud of her.

Letter to the Editor Letter writer questions safety of deck elevator

Editor,

Last week I had an experience that some might label as scary or disastrous. I think of it more as annoying and a major inconvenience. A friend and I parked in the Wick Deck, as I often do, and took the elevator to the bridge. The elevator decided to stop after passing what seemed like only two levels (I park on level 1). Needless to say, it scared me at first, but then I was just angry. We pressed the alarm button quite a few times, hoping that someone running late to an 8 a.m. class or work would hear us.

I noticed there was no phone in the elevator to call for help, and I'm not fortunate enough to own a cellular phone. As my anger increased, I realized our chances of being found were decreasing.

After about 15 minutes, a woman knocked and said she called for help, and someone would be there shortly. Another 10 minutes went by and still no one came. I was very irritated by then and rang the alarm button a couple hundred more times.

Finally, a man knocked and asked us on what level we were stuck. I said I didn't know because the light in the elevator that's supposed to read what floor the elevator is on is broken and has been for a very long. time

The man pried open the doors and somehow we were on level 6. The elevator doesn't even go to level 6 from level 1, and we ended up there.

The man, who is a maintenance worker, apologized for the inconvenience, which lasted 1/2 hour. I told him there is no phone in the elevator, and there should be one in every elevator on campus. I also told him there always seems to be something wrong with this elevator.

Now, I know that I could have taken the stairs or parked on the fourth level to avoid this incident, but that's not the point. There are handicapped students who depend on the elevators to get to their classes. I also understand things break, but had there been a phone, I'm sure my friend and I would have been helped much sooner.

My only question is, with the almost yearly raises in tuition, when is the University going to get smart and spend money on elevator phones and to repair things on campus that continue to break down?

Jill DeMain, Junior Health and Human Services

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News Update **Trial set for Hopkins murder**

PEGGY MOORE News Editor

rial dates have been set for the two men charged with the January 28, 1996 murder of Jermaine Hopkins. Hopkins, 21, was murdered

outside his Northside home at approximately 1:30 a.m. after leaving a party at the University. Police say he had tried to break up a fight at the party and was shot

once in the head and again in the wrist by his attackers, who had followed him home. A spokesperson with the Mahoning County Common Pleas Court said that Timothy

Slocum, 22, of Youngstown, will face charges of complicity to commit aggravated murder and attempted aggravated murder on September 11, at 1:30 A.M.

Eric Moore, 22, and the alleged triggerman, will face counts of aggravated murder and attempted aggravated murder August 28, at 1:30 P.M. Both of the accused, who have

Adler also said that they were to enter any plea negotiations."

been unable to raise the \$100,000 ment



bond and have been in jail since their arrest January 29, can face 20 year to life sentences. The life sentence is due to gun specifications, said the spokesperson. During their arraignment,

both claimed need and requested court appointed council. Slocum will be defended by James R Wise and Moore by Timothy E. Franken. Attorney Jeffrey Adler, of the

Prosecutor's office, will prosecute both cases. "It seems like it should be a

pretty open-and-shut case," said Adler. "YSU police and Youngstown police did an excellent job on this case and we have eye witnesses, so we have a pretty solid case.'

working towards "a plea, but the defense attorneys have declined Police had at one time considered filing charges against

Darnell Bracy, who had been with Moore and Slocum, but declined, said a spokesperson with the Youngstown police depart-

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he understands closing the deck for repairs, and he used the other parking facilities available. Major repairs are made dur

ing summer quarter because the weather is favorable for surface repairs. There is also less traffic to redirect, Scarnecchia said The lots also will be repaired, as gas spills and ice and snow break

Concern for vehicle damage during repairs was a factor in the decision to close the deck. 'Changing traffic patterns and work on levels above and below parked cars would be a nightmare; it was safer and less confusing to just close the deck,' said Scarnecchia.

them down.

"Fortunately we have plenty of space in surface lots, so the closing doesn't interfere too much with parking," he added.

Students looking to park on the west side of campus should use surface lot M26 on the corners of Rayen Avenue and Fifth Avenue and lot M24 on the corners of Arlington Street and Fifth Avenue where at least 800 parking spaces are available, said Scarnecchia.

Documents have been prepared to send out for bids from contractors, and the work should begin sometime in July with a completion date of September 1

Scarnecchia's office has not received any complaints about

Camp GOE takes off

PEGGY MOORE News Editor

66 By the year 2020, only 5% of teachers will be minorities, while 30% of the classroom population is minority.

Vivian Kerr

The College of Education's Generating Opportunities for Educators (GOE) Program at YSU, will hold the first academic camp for future teachers from July 21st to the 26th. The program, designed to recruit and retain minority students and provide them with professional development, was kicked off at a luncheon Saturday, July 13.

This program was developed to address the shortage of minority teachers in city schools.

"By the year 2020, only 5% of teachers will be minorities, while 30% of the classroom population is minority," said Vivian Kerr, academic advisor, College of Education, and coordinator of the program.

The pre-college component of the program is designed to work with minority students who will be entering high school in the fall and either plan to become teachers or have been identified as having the potential to teach.

The pre-college component is funded by the Powers Trust (created by the will of Alice Powers for educational activities at YSU and six other universities) and is part of a long-range plan designed to address the current and proiected shortage of minority teach

a problem, it is handled with an extreme, like being placed in special ed. Teachers don't want to deal with them or perhaps, don't know how to deal with them." Joyce Johnson, junior, second-

ary education SBH, agreed. She said that the GOE program "will not only prepare me to teach these children, but I'm sure they will also teach me a lot." Kerr stated that historically,

minority students have entered and graduated from the College of Education in disproportionately small numbers, and that the problem is not unique to YSU.

The YSU College of Education for the 1994-95 academic year had only 75 minority students out of 1,653 students enrolled in teacher education programs.

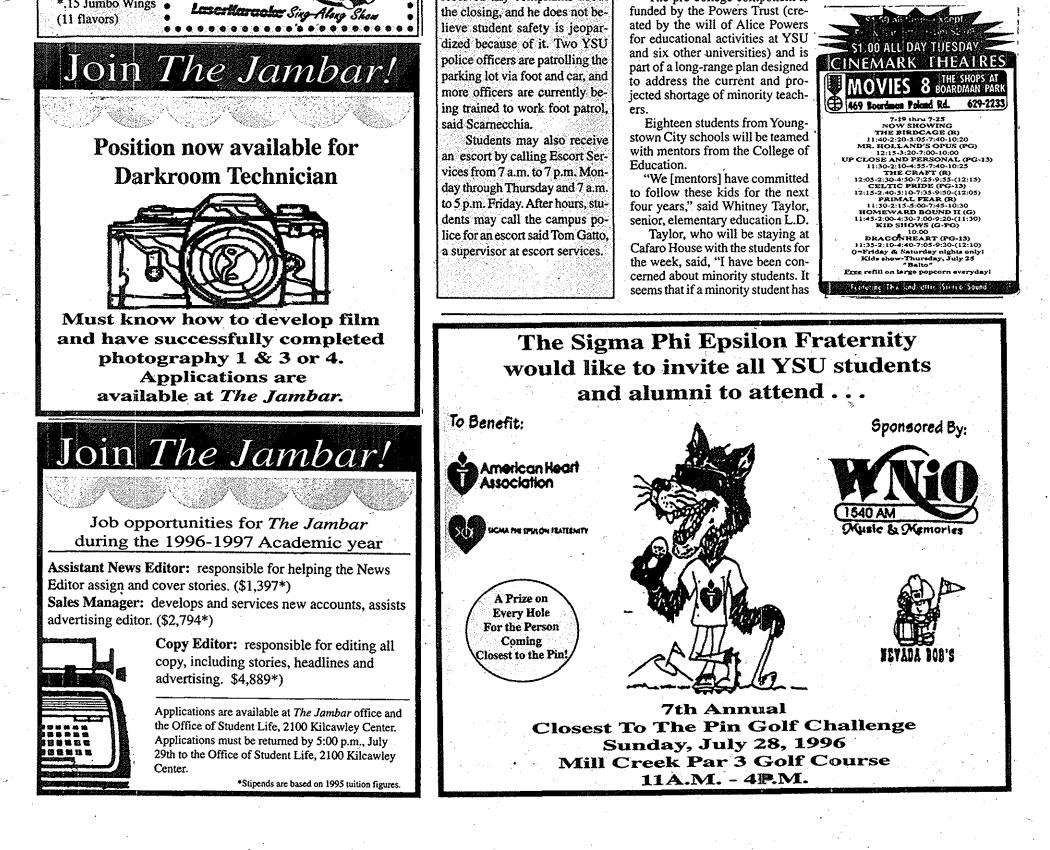
The GOE program was designed with three comprehensive components:

*A retention plan designed to help minority students enrolled in the College of Education.

* A recruitment plan designed to provide career counseling and encouragement in the formative years and to continue throughout their schooling.

* A professional development plan emphasizing career guidance with programs, seminars and workshops.

"Vivian has been working very hard on this program for the past few years," said Dr. Richard McEwing, assistant dean, College of Education, "I'm very impressed with the program and the mentors. They are very strong minority students who are giving something back to their community.



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