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Better an ugly face than an ugly mind.
-James Ellis

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Tuition cap may be raised to aid state cuts

By PAUL CURL
Assistant News Editor

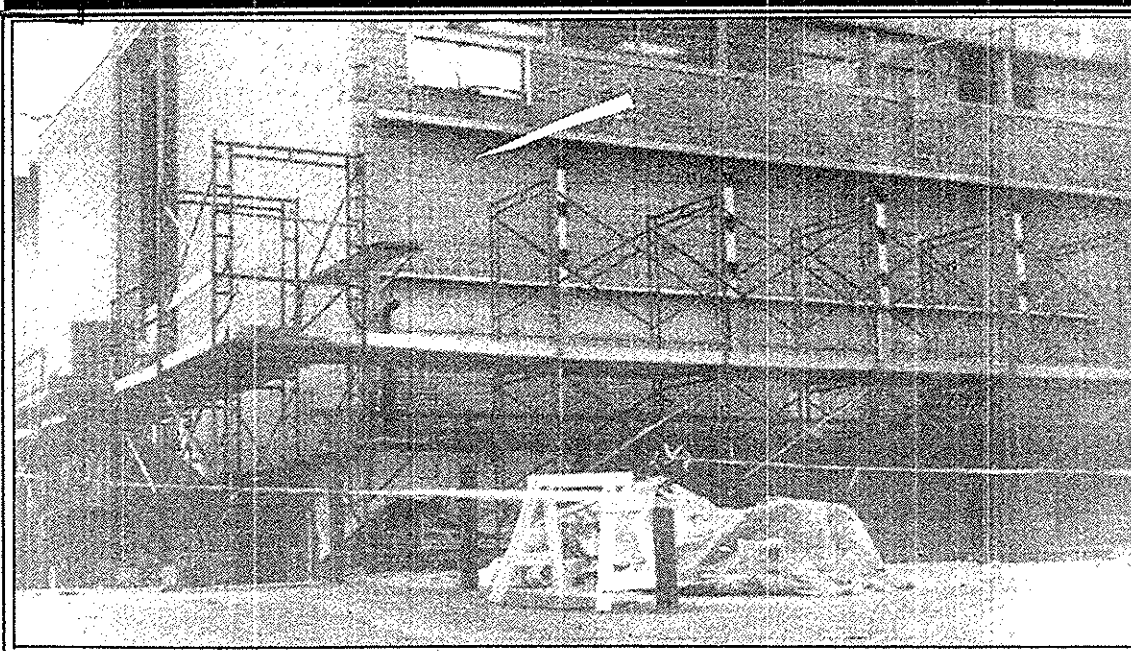
At Monday's meeting of Student Government, President Scott "Gus" Smith announced a potential increase in the tuition cap for state-funded universities.

The announcement came via a letter sent to Smith from University President Neil D. Humphrey which stated that there is a possibility for a relaxation in the limit placed on the amount that tuition can be raised.

According to the correspondence, it is not likely the caps will be completely eliminated, but may be made to be dependent upon the size of the budget cuts. The size of the cuts are still not known.

The amount the state will cut and whether or not cap limits will be suspended are dependent upon a decision by Governor George Voinovich.

"The Governor has indicated that he will now hold off announcing the first cuts until mid-May, after the state's April revenues are assessed against estimates and expenditures," said Humphrey in his letter. Cuts were originally expected to be \$270 million, but
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Getting a face-lift: Fedor Hall, located behind Beeghly Center is undergoing remodeling construction.

Campus literacy may suffer if Writing Center closes

By CAROLE KLINGLER
Staff Reporter

Who needs the Writing Center? If you are not familiar with sentence fragments, comma splices, verbal phrases, dangling modifiers and other characteristics of composition, then YOU need the Writing Center. But it may be too late, because if the coordinator's position at the Center is eliminated, the Writing Center will close on June 30.

The demise of this department limits your opportunity to im-

prove writing skills; your ability to pass written examinations; and your capability to respond to in-class essays — if you're deficient in these topics.

By the time you graduate, you should be accomplished in developing sentence strategy, proofreading and editing documents, writing research and thesis papers, and organizing job resumes.

These are just some of the Center's workshop topics that are offered to class groups or through individual tutoring, at no cost, if you are a YSU

student.

Sherri Zander, coordinator of the Writing Center and English Placement Testing, voiced concerns for the future. She said she hopes that the YSU community realizes that if her position is eliminated, the Writing Center is gone. She cannot be replaced. Just that one layoff can create a domino effect in the University that will be irreversible.

In addition to the Center's activities, Zander coordinates the Education 510A and 510B courses through the Reading Laboratory; over one-third of

the student body is placed in these classes. She also coordinates the English placement tests for all students admitted to the University. Second-quarter classes cannot be scheduled unless this test has been taken.

"The University would have to make major changes. The elimination of the Writing Center and Placement Testing would leave a big hole in the English program," Zander said.

"The students with English 520, which is a basic writing workshop, depend on the Center; if we don't exist, 520

ceases to function."

Dr. Gratia M. Murphy, English professor and 520 composition coordinator, concurred.

"The students are out of 520, but they keep coming back to the Center. The goal of the University is to graduate students who can write in any discipline, not just the major," said Murphy.

Dan Libert, a sophomore in education, agreed that the shutdown of the Center would be a great loss.

"As a student in high school, See Write, page 7

YSU ROTC program still thrives after official closing in 1991

By JOEL M. LEWIS
Staff Reporter

What once was a bustling complex of office cubicles now bears a striking resemblance to a ghost town. Empty walls and a few orphan pieces of furniture stand idle, adding to the stark feeling of emptiness. A rifle rack with nothing to hold is a lonely reminder of what this place had once been. The colors have been folded and the ROTC program at YSU has, like so many old soldiers, just faded away. Or has it?

More than 40 years after the program was first established at YSU, the Reserve Officer's Training Corp is still alive and hanging on despite being officially closed at the end of September 1991.

Although YSU is no longer home to a military science department, students can still participate in ROTC through a cross-enrollment program with Akron University.

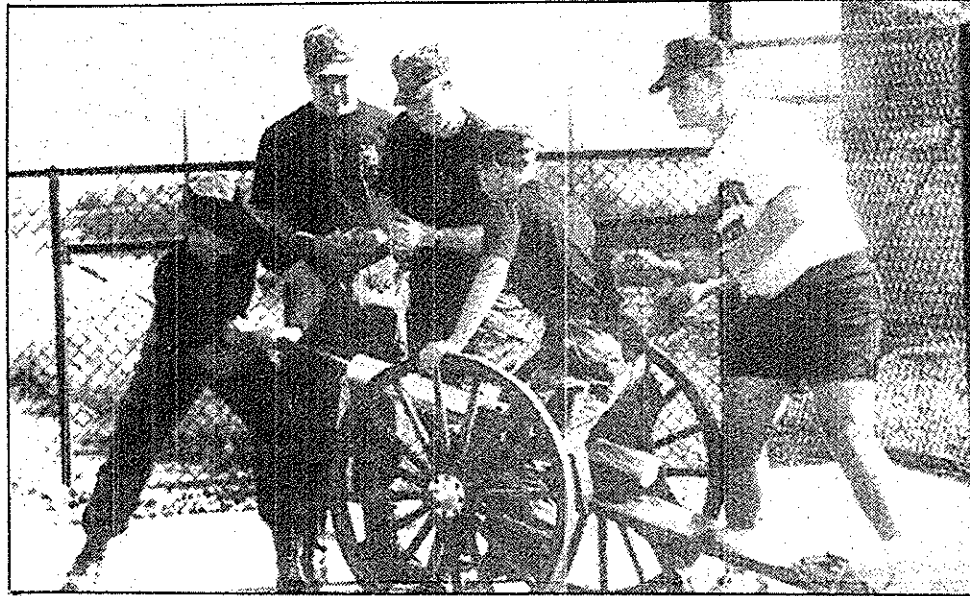
Cross-enrollment reduces the cost of maintaining a separate ROTC program at the University by cutting the number of staff needed to provide instruction and administrative support for students enrolled in military science. Class in-

struction is provided by full-time military personnel who are stationed at Akron University and travel to YSU four days a week.

"The program (at YSU) is still retain-

ing its viability," said Master Sergeant Larry Sluder, one of the instructors.

Currently, 35 YSU students are cross-enrolled in ROTC. Two will be commissioned as second lieutenants this year —



Ready...Aim...Fire...Members of YSU's ROTC perform one of their most important duties: taking care of the canon, also known as the Pengun. The Pengun would be shot off during home football games when YSU would score a touchdown.

very low numbers compared to past classes.

Recent cuts in defense spending and a few years of low enrollment have culminated in the end of YSU's 40-plus years as an ROTC host institution.

For some opponents of ROTC, the closing was merely one of the benefits of the end of the cold war. But Carl Nunziato, a ROTC alumni, and currently Executive Vice President of Dollar Bank, said he believes that closing the program deprives many students of "another dimension" of training not offered by traditional academic programs.

Nunziato said, "Students who went through ROTC are far ahead of those who come to YSU straight from high school, and complete four years of college without that type of training. The degree of maturity is much higher in students with a ROTC background."

Nunziato, a 1961 graduate and disabled Vietnam veteran, knows what he speaks. He said that Dollar Bank makes a conscious effort to hire YSU graduates; during job interviews the difference in experience is obvious.

"The experience in leadership, See ROTC, page 9

Six students form Delta Sigma fraternity on campus

By APRIL BOTT
Co-Sports Editor

There's a new frat in town boys, and the name is Delta Sigma.

Although this is not the Delta Sigma's motto, it signifies the up-and-coming new local fraternity almost to a tee.

"We make our own decisions and are extremely open-minded," said first-ever president Dennis Gartland, who looks at the fraternity as "progressive."

The official birth of Delta Sigma on campus came the week of Nov. 4 last year; however, the idea began even before that.

According to Gartland, the idea to start a new fraternity came from Allen Vanscoy who was a Delta Sigma Phi at Ohio State. He suggested that they start a chapter here.

Although the Delta Sigmas aren't national now, they are considered an interest group of the national chapter and

are considering becoming a colony.

"We talk to nationals about once every other week," said Gartland. "We are pretty familiar with them."

At the beginning, Delta Sigma was comprised of six brothers who organized the set-up of the fraternity. After one quarter on campus, they are up to nine members.

"It's on the ground floor right now," stated junior David Mahan. "We all help build the frat."

According to Gartland, YSU considers Delta Sigma both a student organization and a fraternity. They are also considered an associate member of Inter-Fraternity Council.

"We are doing well in the greek system," said Mahan. "The other frats and sororities help us out a lot."

Now, as they gear up for their first spring rush, the obvious question is what can Delta Sigma offer interested young men?

According to Gartland, the Delta Sigmas do many of the things that other fraternities do. In fact, due to the fact that they don't have a house yet, they have teamed up with other frats to hold joint parties.

"We had a New Year's Eve party with the TKEs and a party with the SAEs last quarter," said Gartland.

In addition, they are involved in in-

tramurals, hold date parties and are considering some service projects.

"We hope to have a pool tournament and a recycling project in the community," Gartland stated.

But, what do the brothers expect from prospective pledges?

"We would like to add a lot of diversity to our group," said Mahan.

Gartland said that they stress integrity, positive attitudes and academics.

"Academics are important, but so are leadership and social skills."

The Delta Sigma rush party will be held from noon to 3 p.m. this Thursday in the Buckeye Suite III in Kilcawley Center. Gartland stated that all interested males should come.

"We want to get interested people to come out and meet us and let us meet them," said Gartland.

Because, according to Mahan, in the long run, "We're going to be one of the best frats on campus."



Government

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estimates now place cuts below \$200 million.

The current tuition cap has a limit of \$175 or 7 percent of current tuition, whichever is

higher. Tuition increases cannot possibly solve our problems, but some relief with the caps will be helpful and welcome," said Humphrey.

"All those words of doom are pretty much still the same," said Smith regarding the measures

being undertaken to battle the current budgetary crisis.

"Be advised that a raise in the tuition cap would be a dramatic concern to students," said Smith.

In other Student Government business, the body decided to retain the positions of Secretary for Legislative Affairs and Secretary

of Special Events.

According to Smith, no one spoke to him to find out the specific duties those positions entail.

The decision to keep the offices came after a long discussion among the representatives.

"You guys are just cutting

positions to cut positions," said

Smith. "I don't understand."

The body agreed to keep both

positions after realizing the

voluntary nature of the non-

stipend offices, and the extra

duties which would have to be

assumed by the other members.

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Are you caught between making the decision of going to graduate school or pursuing a career? Would you like to know what employers look for when hiring and other valuable career strategies? Are you interested in keeping up with the latest hair and makeup fashions? Well, if all of this sounds like fun, plan to attend the Spring Seminar, "Having It All".

The first series will feature Lynette Howell of Career Services who will speak on possible career goals and objectives and the best careers for women and minorities.

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Author speaks about writing at annual English Festival

By MELISSA ALTMAN
Staff Reporter

"I look for people who are magicians with words," said Chris Crutcher, author of several books that appeared on this year's English Festival reading list, about his reading preferences. "Simplicity and the ability to look at something from a different perspective" are what Crutcher likes.

Crutcher spoke to several area students April 8 through 10 in Kilcawley Center's Cardinal Room. The press conference, sponsored in part by WKBN-TV, was part of the YSU English Festival Journalism Workshop. The students then competed in writing a news story about the author.

The 45-year-old author from Cascade, Idaho, is currently a psychologist in Spokane, Wash., and has taught in numerous elementary and secondary schools, including an alternative school.

Crutcher relates many of his books' characters with the students he had to educate in these schools.

Crutcher said, "The students at the alternative school were the kids who had been given up on. I felt as though we were throwing away a huge resource."

According to Crutcher, education needs to be more diverse, according more freedom to different needs. Crutcher suggests a "different perspective on success" in order to improve education.

Unlike many adolescent literature authors, Crutcher lays claim to have read only one complete novel in high school.

Crutcher said, "As a student I was abysmal. If my English teacher went into a bookstore and saw my name on a book, she'd probably slit her wrists."

The only place Crutcher did enjoy reading and writing in high school was for the school newspaper. He wrote a column entitled "Chris' Crumbs" in which he critized and praised facets of school life.

Crutcher said, "I didn't write news because they wouldn't let me. I made most of it up when I did."

However, writing has become

for Crutcher something that he thinks is vital for all our lives.

Crutcher states that at first he was embarrassed having people read his works because he feels writing shares "immensely private thoughts."

Crutcher said, "When I walk-

ed in this room, I didn't know any of you. But if you read my books, you know me."

But he did admit that he actually enjoys sharing parts of himself with total strangers.

Crutcher said that he draws on the feelings that come from

his work as a psychologist, not necessarily from events.

"I haven't come close to writing down the worst story I've heard, but the problems that I deal with daily in my work with child abuse find their

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EDITORIAL

Truth about AIDS not complete due to fear

If you believe what the government says, the normal, everyday person who doesn't share needles or have unprotected, promiscuous sex is virtually safe from contracting the AIDS virus. These and many other misconceptions would have been cleared up if Dr. Lorraine Day, a renowned speaker on the AIDS virus, had been allowed to speak at her scheduled lecture last Friday at Western Reserve Care System's (WRCS) Southside Medical Center. Dr. Day was banned from speaking because authorities at WRCS felt that her lecture would cause panic among medical workers and the public as well. Dr. Day's lecture never should have been banned. The public needs to know that there is more to this virus than what our government is telling us.

Dr. Day was an orthopedic trauma surgeon at San Francisco General Hospital and vice chairman of the Department of Orthopedic Surgery at the University of California, San Francisco. She has been a member of the AIDS Committee of San Francisco and is currently a member of the AIDS Task Force of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons. She resigned as Chief of Orthopedic Surgery to devote time to what she thought was an important cause. Dr. Day has documented material that disclaims everything the government has ever said about AIDS, and in her book *AIDS: What the Government Isn't Telling You*, she states the facts — just as she would have done Friday.

The fact is, the government says you can't get AIDS through hugging, kissing, a public restroom seat, a sneeze, a handshake, and they say that it doesn't transmit through the air. In truth, none of this is known absolutely. However, Dr. Day holds documents from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control stating that the AIDS virus can live on a dry surface at room temperature for seven days, and can live in body fluids for seven days. These two facts alone contradict some of what we've been told previously.

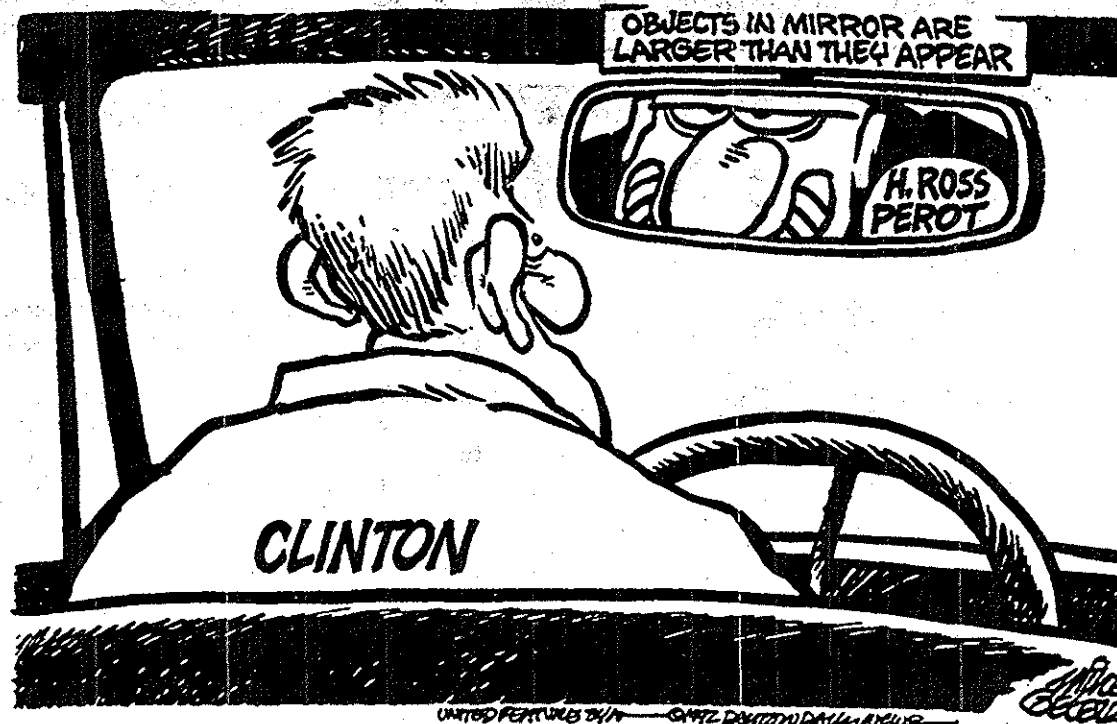
Maybe people don't want to know the truth. Maybe they're afraid of the truth. The government, just like WRCS, is afraid of causing panic. But it's better to know the whole truth and be afraid of it than to find out five years from now that you have the AIDS virus even though you have done everything you've been told to do. However, we can't find out what is and is not really true unless we hear it from the authorities. And we can't hear anything if the authorities are censored.

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Luncheon excludes possible YSU aid

I would like to comment on the invitation list for the Student Government luncheon/forum to be held April 17 to discuss budgetary dilemmas with State Representatives. Tom McCabe is presently seeking a State Representative position and he was not invited to attend the luncheon. He is an active Student Government representative, and other representatives were invited. McCabe's attendance appears to be much more pertinent to the forum than that of the other representatives going.

President of Student Government, Scott Smith, seems to have forgotten the importance of having an active YSU student running for such a prominent state government position. If McCabe is elected his affiliation with YSU could bring about some dramatic changes for the University. I am not disclaiming the people Smith has chosen as

not qualified, but I am reflecting on the reasoning he chooses with those who are presently State Representatives. Shouldn't Smith look to the future? This is an election year. The incumbents may not be re-elected. Their promises now may never get carried out. Secondly, Smith states that it is "ludicrous to invite everyone who is currently running for State Representative." But how many students at YSU are currently running for State Representative? McCabe is one, out of two, as to my knowledge. Why not invite McCabe to attend? After all, Smith is a great advocate of equality—racial and political. I should hope that he did not keep McCabe from attending due to his own political views.

Allison Ruggles
Senior, A&S

Panel needed for economic crisis

Dear Editor:

In times of crises, certain words are sometimes uttered that speak precisely and appropriately to the crisis situation. The words I have in mind, moreover, come from a caring, humane perspective rather than one of anger, scapegoating and all too often demagoguery.

I offer the larger University community these words of Dr. Peter Baldino, as quoted in the Academic Senate Minutes of April 1, 1992:

"At the Academic Senate meeting on May 30, 1991, I proposed a motion that urged the YSU Board of Trustees to establish a committee to conduct a national search for the next President of YSU and that this committee have representation from the student body, faculty, staff, administration and community. The culmination of that committee's efforts and its successor committee resulted in the selection of Dr. Eeslie Cochran as YSU's fifth President. It is now time, I believe, to propose the creation of an advisory panel to address another concern, a 'major crisis' which challenges the very existence of this University as we know it.

The recent Board action calling for the possibility of retrenchment of professional staff and the manner of which it was administered calls for a more deliberative method with which to deal with future actions of this kind. I am calling for the creation of a broadly based advisory panel to address various aspects of the economic

crisis confronting the University, with special attention to any retrenchment of staff, be they faculty or professional or classified. The panel would have representation from the major unions affected, administration/Board of Trustees, faculty, student body and community.

The purpose of this panel would be threefold. First, it would receive all relevant information affecting the financial state of the University. Second, it would consider all possible means of addressing this crisis. Finally, it would recommend possible strategies to meet this crisis.

It is now time not for edicts to be handed down, but, rather, to come together as reasonable men and women and deliberate on how best to deal with a crisis which threatens to divide us and render irreparable damage to the very essence of what we know as our University. It is time not to divide, but to come together; a time not to point fingers but to join hands. For those who would, and do say, "It is not my problem," I respond, no, it is your problem and my problem, and everybody's problem. It is our problems because if one person loses his or her position we are all diminished. To believe otherwise is to fail to understand our interrelatedness; it is to fail to understand why we are all here at this time and in this place."

Joseph Kirschner,
Professor, Education

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Any questions, call Kelly Lanterman at 742-1991.

FORUM

Word has it, layoffs write students off



April Bott
Co-Sports Editor

Since spring break, our campus has been hit with many changes that will make YSU a different place in the future. Over break, the Trustees named Dr. Leslie Cochran our new president, which will, hopefully, be a great decision and asset to YSU. But the Trustees also approved a layoff plan that placed 120 APAS members on layoff notice, which has the campus reeling.

With these recent notices, students are beginning to realize just how severe the cutbacks are, and will be, for schools of higher education in Ohio.

But do we fully realize the extent to which we will each be affected if these layoffs become reality for those 120 full-time employees?

Speaking for myself, I have used many of the services, such as the Career Services office, that will be severely altered if the layoffs are put into effect. Another office whose make-up will be completely changed if the cuts mean layoffs is the Writing Center in Fedor Hall.

From a personal standpoint, I have a great deal to say about the center and its worth to the University as I am a tutor there and can see, first hand, how much influence just one department can make on the lives of students.

The Writing Center is a hub of activity from early morning until late at night. Under the leadership of Sherri Zander, full-time coordinator, the office is responsible for tutoring, workshops, English labs, placement testing, English as a Second Language (ESL) tutoring and workshops, among a multitude of other tasks.

Zander is one of those 120 employees faced with a possible layoff. If she is let go, the center will most likely close, terminating help that many students need and rely on.

It's hard to realize just how much one office, or one person can affect the lives of so many students unless you really sit down and examine the situations.

Day by day, tutor tasks change, so we have to accept the ongoing challenge of new assignments each and every day. For instance, a typical day might include one-on-one tutoring, which is a

main facet of the center's worth. Students come into the center with questions or problems, and together with a tutor, they work on these areas.

However, contrary to popular belief, we are not a proofreading service for composition classes. In reality, our tutoring is based on learning, and if a student has a couple questions that can be worked out in one session, great. But if a student feels the need for more in-depth practice at problem areas, we can work with that individual throughout the quarter.

And the tutoring is not just for students in comp classes. Any course that involves writing papers can develop questions which the tutors can help with. For instance, I personally have tutored students in business classes, upper division English, philosophy, and speech, among others.

In addition to one-on-one tutoring, many of us also are lab assistants in English 520 classes, which require students to spend two hours in lab time a week. Our duty here is to assist the lab instructor in any way possible, including fielding student questions, preparing class material beforehand, and aiding lab grading.

We also do a myriad of other tasks including conducting workshops for classes (I am currently giving three workshops to a public relations class on topics like writing for clarity and style), assisting with English Placement Testing and helping with special needs of the students.

I have even done special tasks like reading an entire Placement Test to a vision-impaired student so he receives the same chance as everybody else.

One of my fellow tutors is also well-versed in sign language and tutors hearing-impaired students.

We didn't come by all these skills by happenstance but rather by a rigorous training period by Zander, which included not only pre-school-year training for all tutors, but also periodical evaluations which help us determine our own strengths and weaknesses.

And, in addition to knowing all of our tasks inside and out, Zander must also complete the duties of operating an office and fielding special requests.

Perhaps the saddest realization for me is seeing how much difference the center can make for people, like non-trads who just need to brush up on skills, or freshmen who have always had problem areas which haven't been addressed in high school, and knowing that there's a possibility that the center won't exist in the future.

Even sadder is the fact that this is just one of the services among many that will be directly affected by these proposed layoffs.

On election day pick none of the above



Sherri Shaulis
Asst. Copy Editor

Well, it's almost here. Election time. Well, no it's not. But the media sure wants you to think it is. (Probably a slow news season.)

And I'll be the first to admit it. I don't know much about politics. In fact, I don't know anything about politics. In fact, I hate politics.

But that won't stop me from voting. I'll look at the ballot, decide who I like best and watch him lose. (That happens to everybody I vote for.) Then I'll sit around for the next four years bashing the President and saying, "I didn't vote for him."

I know for sure I'm not voting for Bush. Sorry, but I personally think it's time for a change, so let's look at who else there is to vote for:

Jerry Brown. He seems to be the favorite of college-aged voters. His campaign is based on the premise that the current political system stinks and

he can change it. Right. And I can get a job writing commentaries like this for \$300,000 a year.

Bill Clinton. People still like him even after the Flowers fiasco. But now he's walking around admitting that he's tried pot before. Number one: a lot of people have tried it. Number two: I really don't think that stunt will make him look like a "cool guy" and get him more votes from younger voters.

Paul Tsongas. I know, I know. He's not in the race anymore. If it had come down to it, I probably would have voted for him just because of his name. Of course, I liked Dukakis too. I'm sure you know the story from there.

I know that's not everybody and I know that's not all these guys have to offer, but like I said, I'm not big on politics.

At least I have another 6½ months of campaigning, scandals and false promises to look forward to until I have to make my final decision. As it stands right now, I have two options.

1. Move to Alaska and try to help it secede from the Union, or

2. Write myself in on the ballot. Surely I can't do as bad as some of the past Presidents.

Oh, why doesn't Jim Traficant run when you need him?

Dave Barry/Miami Herald

Famous people humor fans with small talk

Today's social topic is: How To Make Small Talk With Famous People.

You never know when you're going to be on an elevator or in a public restroom and suddenly you realize that you're standing next to a famous person such as Walter Cronkite or the Pope. When this happens, the important thing is to remain calm, act normal and make an appropriate conversational remark such as: "How about those Sacramento Kings, Your Holiness?" Or: "Walter Cronkite! You're still alive?"

The problem is that you can't always, on the spur of the moment, think of remarks as appropriate as these. Sometimes you panic and find yourself emitting remarks so profoundly inane that you would be embarrassed to say them to your dog. Your dog would look at you and think to itself, "I may lick myself in public, but I'd never say anything as stupid as THAT."

I had this very problem recently when I found myself attempting to make small talk with Barbara Bush. I swear I am not making this up. It happened in New Hampshire back in February, when Mrs. Bush was doing some primary campaigning for her husband, George. He was also in New Hampshire that day, campaigning with Arnold Schwarzenegger on the inspirational theme: "Trust Us, America! We're Rich Men Who Talk Funny!"

Mrs. Bush, meanwhile, was going around in her own motorcade, and I had decided to spend the afternoon riding along in the press van. We motorcaded to receptions at three large Republican homes, one of which had a welcoming display out front consisting of two golf carts with American flags on them. It was very attractive, although it did serve as a sobering reminder that, in these troubled economic times, there are some American families in the poorer areas that are down to just one golf cart.

Inside each home was a capacity crowd of New Hampshire Republicans, engaging in typical GOP-reception activities such as slam-dancing and getting their noses pierced.

No, of course I am kidding. They were standing around wearing ties and dresses and being pillars of the community and talking about what a lovely home it was. I made a mental note never to hold a reception for the first lady at our house, because I don't think it could stand the scrutiny. We'd never get through the Secret Service's Plumbing Security Check.

"This is Blue Rover," an agent would be saying into his wrist microphone while using his other hand to draw his gun. "I have a Hostile Fungus Condition here on the main hall toilet."

But these lovely homes were all clean enough to perform surgery in, and the people were all thrilled to see Mrs. Bush, and there were little sandwiches and pastries that even the press was allowed to eat. So I was definitely enjoying myself until we got to the last house, where Mrs. Bush met briefly with the press in an upstairs study. Her official photographer lined us up for a group photograph, and I wound up standing right next to the first lady, the two of us sort of facing each other, and I was seized by the overpowering feeling that I should say something. I could feel my brain in there, flailing away, trying to think of something that Mrs. Bush and I have in common, and I heard myself saying:

"I shop in the same supermarket as your son Jeb."

"Big deal," said Mrs. Bush.

No, I'm sure she THOUGHT that, but what she said, politely, was: "Oh, do you?" A woman who can maintain her composure when her husband is barfing on a foreign lap of state is not going to be fazed by a journalist babbling about what supermarket he shops in. So she handled it very smoothly. "We saw Jeb recently," she continued. "He just turned 39." Then, clearly wishing to end this conversation, she turned back toward the camera.

Obviously this was my cue to shut up. But my brain, now completely panicked, was rummaging around in its various lobes, desperately trying to think up a response to the fact that Mrs. Bush's son had just turned 39, and it grabbed the first thing it came up with, thereby causing me to emit the following statement, and I quote:

"He's very tall."

Perhaps you could come up with a dumber remark to make to the first lady, but you would need the aid of powerful computers. Mrs. Bush turned back to look at me, and deep in her eyes I could see the look of a woman who is wondering if maybe she should signal the Secret Service to fetch the big net. She said:

"He didn't just grow this year."

And then the picture was over and Mrs. Bush was gone, which is fortunate because there was a real danger that my next statement would have involved the Sacramento Kings.

So the lesson that we learn from all this is, if you have to make small talk with a famous person, you should use your own brain, because mine is defective.

Guest columnist are welcomed to contribute to these pages.

Hispanic Awareness Week celebrates 500-year heritage

YSU — YSU will celebrate Hispanic Awareness Week beginning Monday, April 20, with a series of speakers, performers, plays and displays.

The celebration is sponsored by YSU's Multicultural Student Services Office, Cooperative Campus Ministry, Student Government, the YSU Foundation, Hispanic Students Organization and the YSU Admissions Office.

Michelle J. Murphy, coordinator of Multicultural Student Services, said the theme of this year's celebration is "500 Years of Hispanic Heritage."

Events begin with a Special Proclama-

tion Lecture by Dr. George D. Beelen, chair of YSU's history department. Beelen's speech will focus on the positive and negative aspects of Christopher Columbus's arrival to the New World. The speech is set for noon April 20, in the Kilcawley Center Ohio Room.

On Tuesday, April 21, Dr. Consuelo Mendez of Youngstown will discuss health issues of concern to the Hispanic community. The presentation will begin at noon in the Ohio Room.

Wednesday's event will run from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Kilcawley Chestnut Room. Tropicalisimo, a dance troupe

from the Ohio State University, will perform the Salsa, Plena, Merengue, Mambo and Lambada.

OSU students will perform two plays following the dance program. The first is a mini-play called *La Historia del Hombre Que se Convirtió en Perro*, by Osvaldo Dragun. The second is Nemesia R. Canales' *El Héroe Galapante*.


On Thursday, April 23, Dr. Jim Bonilla of OSU's Teaching for Excellence Program, will discuss global Hispanic issues at noon in Kilcawley Center's Buckeye Reception Room.

The annual Hispanic Awareness week

awards dinner and community dance is set for Saturday April 25, in Kilcawley Center. A reception begins at 6 p.m. in the Kilcawley Art Gallery, dinner is at 6:30 p.m. in the Gallery, and the dance, featuring Caribbean music by Sabor Latino, begins at 8 p.m. in the Chestnut Room.

This year's keynote speaker will be Victor J. Mora, director of graduate development and Hispanic affairs at Ohio State University.

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El comité está aceptando ahora miembros para ayudar a seleccionar grupos para participar en las actividades de la universidad en la primavera y el año entrante, habrá también competencias de baile con premios en efectivo (\$) y decoraciones que se necesitan planear. Además queremos buscar comediantes hispanos que asistan a la universidad. Y también incluir en los programas conferenciantes de fuera de la universidad.



Si esto te parece interesante y deseas ver más actividades para los hispanos, por favor ven y házte parte del comité El "Buen Tiempo". Puedes recoger una aplicación para este comité, en la oficina de "PAC" en el 2nd piso del Kilcawley y pregunta por Joshua Vega ó Judy Serrano.

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Athletic Facilities Coordinator talks of impending cuts

By NICOLE TAUB
Staff Reporter

As the budgetary boom is being lowered, everyone in the YSU family is wondering how they will be affected.

This curiosity is occurring because not only may jobs be lost, but part of the students' education may become limited, including the number of classes offered and the number of classes cut altogether.

One of the 120 people who were notified of a possible layoff was Richard Bevly, athletic facilities coordinator. Bevly has been with the University for 11 years.

Bevly is responsible for scheduling of

the facilities in the athletic department. Once the classes have been scheduled, Bevly coordinates a schedule for on- and off-campus organizations, such as fraternities and sororities, the World Wrestling Federation, concerts and the Youngstown Pride.

When the schedule is completed, it must then be approved by the health and physical education department in case of possible scheduling conflicts.

According to Bevly, the athletic department is subdivided into smaller departments and the offices are located in both Beeghly Center and Stambaugh Stadium. All money and the budget are

handled by the business office.

Bevly said, "Many students have misconceptions about the athletic budget. But they need to realize that the athletic department does fundraise to help support itself. We have worked hard to get to where we are."

As to where the emphasis should be placed on the cuts, Bevly commented, "I believe that all the cards should be put out on the table and everything should be judged equally."

No matter where the cuts are placed, YSU students and faculty will be affected.

"We are all just waiting to hear what

percent will be cut. Until then, not much can really be said on its effect on the University. Whatever the minimum percentage may be that the University can operate on without cutting jobs is an important factor," said Bevly.

To aid the situation and hopefully save these jobs, some simple precautions are being taken.

Bevly said, "We are all willing to do whatever is necessary to maintain the jobs, such as supply cutting and recycling."

Decisions about the layoffs will not be decided until cut percentages are presented to the Board of Trustees and the University votes on these cuts.

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I had some problems, but like everyone else, I got out; those problems are not acceptable in college," he said. He started using the Center during 520 and went on through 540, 550, and now is in 551. "I don't know how I would have made it through all those courses without the Center," Libert said.

An important APAS meeting was held Thursday, April 9; this group formally requested from administration answers to questions about the elimination of departments.

Each department will be ask-

ed to justify staff positions, but even if they are justified, the budget committee can still terminate them.

Governor Voinovich will announce the amount of the budget cuts on May 15, but the union feels that YSU must have some advance contingency plans.

"They are just not communicating with us," said Zander. She said that the members of her union need to start making personal and professional plans.

"YSU has always been fiscally conservative," said Murphy. "And the next round of budget cuts will be crucial."

Hours have already been cut, the teaching staff of three faculty members has been completely eliminated, and the number of peer tutors has decreased from 12 to seven.

Only 15 computers are available in the Center, but the number of students in the English classes has already increased from 15 to 18. In this quarter, over 130 students are registered in 520.

"Each student has individual problems and needs individual instruction," said Murphy.

The workshops are given for composition classes and for any class that needs specific topic instruction. They are tailored to meet all disciplines in the YSU community. Zander said that



Coordinator: Sherri Zander, coordinator of YSU's Writing Center, talked about the possible side effects of current budget cuts on the Writing Center.

students can arrange for individual tutoring in addition to class workshops or labs.

The students taking second language courses also rely heavily on tutoring.

"The performance of the international students depends on English proficiency," Zander said. Murphy explained that

these students speak a different first language and she feels closing the Center will be ironic,

"since YSU is encouraging a multicultural diverse population. You can't bring these students here, make cutbacks, and then expect them to survive."

The Center is also a vital part of the graduate assistant pro-

gram, which requires students to spend two quarters at the Center.

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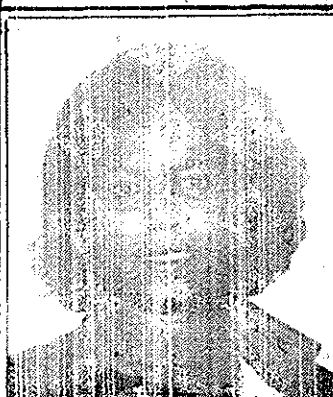
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LINDA D. ANDERSON Jr., Business



"I don't like it. If you need a class, what do you do if you can't get it? I'm a parent of three and I'm on a tight schedule. It's going to be difficult enough."

DEBBIE EHRHART Jr., Elem. Ed.



"If it gives more money to the students, I'm all for it."

MARK DESKO Jr., English



"I don't think it is very fair. I think the cutbacks should be looked into further before anyone is laid-off."

SANDY MAGLIOCCA Sr., Dietetic



"I guess I think there could be a route other than laying off people. Maybe state or Federal aid would help out."

MICHAEL ROTTMAN Soph., Biology

History 501: Origins of YSU legends, icons revealed

By CARRIE DWYER Staff Reporter

Did you ever wonder where "The Rock" on campus came from? Or how YSU ended up with a Penguin mascot named Pete? Or how some of the buildings on campus received their names? Or what about some of the history of YSU? *The Jambar* dates back far enough to provide documentation for all of that information.

It all started in 1888 when the YMCA founded the Youngstown Association School with evening classes. On August 23, 1914, the YMCA issued its first college catalogs and almost exactly two years later was given the official title the Youngstown Association School.

In the 1920s, the school was re-named the Youngstown Institute of Technology. It was authorized to grant commercial degrees. The Law School was opened the first female student, Ethel Sanders, was enrolled. Also, the YMCA took the first step in establishing the school of fine arts by leasing the Henry Wick Estate, changing its name to Youngstown College, increasing enrollment, and finally,

having four students broadcast a hit on WKBN radio.

In the 1930s *The Jambar* published its first edition and six graduates received the first four-year AB degrees. Also, in the early 30s, \$350,000 was allotted to build Jones Hall. The school, now named Youngstown College, hosted a social period at which the installation of the first National Sorority took place (Alpha Nu, chapter of Alpha Pi Sigma) and the first Junior prom was held.

In the 1940's Youngstown College was admitted to the Association of American Colleges. Youngstown College received national coverage because the college president, Howard Jones, spoke of the communists who were trying to join the faculty. Also, Dike Beede invented the throwing of a flag, indicating penalties at football games, and through this decade, the YMCA transferred all control to the members of Youngstown College and the first degrees in engineering were granted, a BA and BS degree.

It wasn't until the early 1950s that a woman, Mrs. Frank Purnell, was elected to the Board of Trustees of Youngstown College and the school changed to

Youngstown University. Later in 1967 it officially became a State University.

Throughout YSU's history, several events or trademarks have stood out with a little bit of their own history.

The Neon, as we know it today, had several names before finding its present one. In 1928, *The Technician* was the first student yearbook. In 1931 and 1932, it was called the "Wye collegian" and the "Hourglass" in 1933. In 1934, the "Beacon" and in 1935, *The Neon* was established and was published, given the name meaning "shiny mass," suggested by Mildred Bothwell. The first cover of *The Neon* was the color of steel, representing the mills in the Steel Valley that were such an important factor at this time. Every one of *The Neon* yearbooks has been a hardcover, compared to the others that were all softbound.

Another publication found on campus is *The Jambar*. As quoted from *The Jambar*, (Sept. 22, 1988) issue, the name originated from this story. "One city steelmaker was using Welsh puddle furnaces that were square instead of the traditional round English furnaces used at other mills. The steel tool that was us-

ed to clean jams from the Welsh puddle furnaces was called a jambar. Looking for a name for the school newspaper, the first editor chose the jambar because of the uniqueness of the tool and the furnace." Hence, a name was made. Even though the mills have closed, *The Jambar* has remained and has kept its original name since its birth in 1930.

Did you ever wonder what all the hype was about regarding "The Rock"? Well, it's a popular landmark on the campus of YSU. It all started in 1965 when Kilcawley Center was first being excavated. While digging, excavators discovered limestone in the ground and first placed it where the fountain now is. It was first painted, provoked possibly by a *Jambar* story that pointed out, "That Rock would have worn a thousand hues on any other campus for the day it was given a permanent place. That same evening the rock got its first coat of paint. And got a different coat every night after that for a week." (*Jambar*, 1988) After this first week, it was painted on average of two times a month. In 1968, it was estimated that there was nearly one inch

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Student Government

would like to remind everyone that the petitions regarding the educational funding cuts are due by

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in the Student Government Offices. They are requesting that the faculty members continue to pass them out in class and that staff and students circulate them throughout their neighborhoods, at work, and to local businesses in the community.

HISPANIC AWARENESS WEEK

April 20 - April 27, 1992

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Monday, April 20

12:00 noon
Salsa Reception
1:30 p.m.
Facing the future, the good and bad of Christopher Columbus's arrival
George D. Bowen, Ph.D.
Professor of history
Ohio Room
Kilcawley Center

Tuesday, April 21

12:00 noon
Registration
Health issues in the Hispanic Community
Dr. Consuelo Mendez, M.D.
Ohio Room
Kilcawley Center

Wednesday, April 22

7:30-9:00 p.m.
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Kilcawley Center

Thursday, April 23

12:00 noon
Registration
Understanding Global Hispanic Issues
Jim Spivey, Ph.D.
Teaching for Excellence
Ohio State University
Buckeye Reception
Kilcawley Center

Saturday, April 25

8:00 p.m.
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Picnic

Monday, April 27

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Monday, April 20 - Thursday, April 23

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