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Changes in provost staff likely

Assistant Provost Janice Elias will return to her faculty position, YSU president says.

By JAMI BONINSEGNA
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Jambar Reporters

One assistant provost is returning to a faculty position while the university provost confirms that there will be other changes in the administrative staff in coming weeks.

University Provost Dr. Tony Atwater said, "It is my understanding that [Dr. Janice Elias, assistant provost] has chosen to return to the faculty after an administrative leave."

Atwater said, "There will be a formal announcement about the changes in my staff within the next few weeks."

At Jambar deadline neither Atwater nor other administrators would confirm how these changes would affect Dr. Gordon Mapley, the only other assistant provost.

When asked if Mapley would be leaving the university, Atwater said, "There is a transition I am considering, and it is my prerogative as a new provost to bring in a staff that shares my visions. I do, however, appreciate and value the contributions of my current staff."

University President Dr. David

Sweet said Wednesday that although there had been conversations about changes in the provost office staff, he was not aware that Mapley may be leaving the university.

Sweet said Elias will most likely return to her position as a faculty member in Human Ecology during the fall 2002 semester. She did not return a message left at her office Wednesday afternoon.

Sweet said, "The issue was just like my own case [regarding administrative hiring]. There were changes made, some resulting in faculty continuing in their role and

others not. It's all the assembling of a team. It's part of a senior development."

Mapley is expected to be out of the office until Friday, and he did not respond to phone and e-mail messages left by Jambar staff members Wednesday afternoon at his home.

Both Mapley and Elias joined the administrative staff in July 1999 with three-year contracts and received high marks on past evaluations.

"It is my prerogative as a new provost to bring in a staff that shares my visions."

— DR. TONY ATWATER
University Provost



HITTING THE SAC



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FANCY FOOTWORK

Cory Blankenship, sophomore, computer information systems, plays Hackey-sac with friends Wednesday afternoon outside Kilcawley Center. At right, Blankenship prepares to pass the sac to a friend.



Woman to head college

By JAMI BONINSEGNA
Jambar Reporter

YSU announced this week that Dr. Cynthia Hirtzel has been named the new dean of the William Rayen College of Engineering and Technology. Hirtzel is the first woman to serve as top administrator of the College of Engineering.

University President Dr. David Sweet said he foresees her "playing a leading role in demonstrating careers for women in engineering and attracting women to the engineering program."

Hirtzel said, "I hope to not only attract women to the program, but promote diversity altogether. There are very few minority groups in the program, and I hope to let these underrepresented groups know that engineering is an option."

Hirtzel comes to YSU from State University of New York at Plattsburgh, where she was a former provost and vice-president for Academic Affairs and is a physics professor.

Previous to serving at SUNY, Hirtzel was the dean of the College of Engineering and professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Temple University in Philadelphia from 1995 to 1998.

Dr. Charles A. Stevens, who is retiring, has served as dean since 1995.

Jambar series on segregation

Figures suggest lack of diversity

By PATRECKA ADAMS
Jambar Assistant Editor

Each year between 1991 and 2000, YSU employed approximately 920 white employees and 70 black employees as faculty, staff and clerical workers.

A Jambar analysis of the Ohio Civil Rights Commission's Affirmative Action and Progress Reports revealed these numbers.

According to statistics provided by the Office of Equal Opportunity, 5 percent of YSU full- and part-time faculty members are minorities.

Of those who are minorities, 8 percent are black, 1 percent is Hispanic and 1 percent is Native American.

Despite recent initiatives by the administration to increase campus diversity, the most recent figures from 2001 show the white employment has actually risen 1 percent while black employment has remained at 7 percent since 1991. Administrators and professors offered their thoughts and suggestions for improvements on the diversity of YSU employees.

According to the quarterly report from YSU's Office of Affirmative Action, 1,341 whites made up YSU's faculty, administration, classified and part-time faculty employment from Nov. 16, 2001 to Dec. 31, 2001.

The number of blacks making up those same ranks during that time was 97.

Dr. Victor Wan-Tatah, professor, philosophy and religious studies, and director of the Africana Studies Program, said these numbers show there's still a lot of

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There will be showers today. High in the upper 60s. Low in the upper 30s. Cloudy on Friday. High in the mid-50s. Low in the upper 30s.

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Looking back: a year in review

By HENRY GOMEZ
Jambar Assistant Editor

An academic year marked by terrorism, higher alert, higher enrollment and higher tuition ends next week, also leaving memories of murder and corruption.

Investigations into different departments on campus turned up questions of plagiarism and incompetence.

Unions fought administrators. Resident students looked for new places to live. State liquor agents cracked down on two popular off-campus bars.

In a survey of The Jambar newsroom staff, reporters and editors were asked to vote on what they thought were the stories that would have the largest impact from the 2001-02 academic year. The results:

1. STUNNED, OUTRAGED, HEARTBROKEN

Students huddled around television sets late in the morning of Sept. 11, watching in disbelief as the twin World Trade Center towers in New York City crumbled.

University President Dr. David Sweet closed the campus at noon on the Tuesday terrorists crashed jetliners into the twin towers, the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., and a field in Somerset, Pa.

The aftermath of the attacks left the university following the suit of many other businesses across the nation. Campus mail policies were changed. An anthrax scare at Lyden



SWEET

House brought the fear of chemical warfare close to home.

YSU students were called to duty for the subsequent war in Afghanistan to fight members of the Taliban and al-Qaida, the groups suspected of spearheading the Sept. 11 attacks. As of today, Osama bin Laden, suspected mastermind of the attacks, has not been found.

2. ENROLLMENT, TUITION INCREASE

A much-anticipated increase in enrollment could not stave off an increase in tuition.

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Long remembers, Parks forsees

By KELLY GEISEL
Jambar Reporter

After a rocky start one year ago, Joe Long said he is closing out his term as Student Government president, confident that he and SG have made positive changes.

"We've had our ups and downs," Long said, adding that he feels that this year's SG "set a new standard" for future bodies to follow.

Long's comments come at the end of a tumultuous year that began with SG being criticized for anything from its

seating arrangement debates to its election process.

Last April, Long and Vice President Michelle Hettinga received fewer votes than their challengers, Rajah James and Nazim Wahab. SG, however, ruled that James and Wahab violated campaign by-laws and disqualified the team from eligibility. James and Wahab supporters criticized SG for ignoring the votes of



LONG

the students, and the disqualified candidates designed a Web site dubbing themselves the real president and vice president of SG.

Additionally, Parliamentarian Matt Vansuch — who had worked closely with Long on revising the SG constitution — resigned in November without giving a reason.



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Citing state budget cuts to higher education, the Board of Trustees approved two tuition increases.

A 5.5 percent tuition raise for spring was approved just days before the end of 2001 fall semester. In March, trustees OK'd Sweet's proposed 8.9 percent-increase for the 2002 fall semester.

Additionally, as part of Sweet's financial plan to offset budget cuts, trustees voted to reduce the bulk rate of classes for full-time students from 12 to 18 hours to 12 to 16.

Terry Ondreyka, vice president for Financial Affairs, says the increase will generate \$4.4 million in new revenue for the university.

3. OFF CAMPUS VIOLENCE
From Smokey Joe's, a popular nightclub on Youngstown's South Side, to locations within a mile of YSU, violence and murder affected the campus community this year.

In February, friends and family of student Justin Treasac mourned the death of the freshman, who was found in a North Side field with gun-

shot wounds to the head and left arm. A week later, a woman who had worked at YSU for a temporary staffing company was killed in a van shooting and found dead in a van near Belmont Avenue and Gypsy Lane.

4. HOUSING WOES
Overcrowded dorms and a delay in construction of a new apartment-style complex on the Wick Oval forced Housing Services to look for additional beds for next fall.

After looking at a range of housing plans that included students living in the old Youngstown Osteopathic Hospital and Southside Medial Center, housing officials settled on Woods of Liberty, a Liberty Township apartment complex run by Monticello Apartments.

5. GUILTY
A sitting congressman's 10-week trial on bribery and racketeering charges drew interest from students and professors.

A jury last month convicted U.S. Rep. James Traficant Jr. on all 10

counts he faced, several of which dealt with a \$13,000 bribe local businessman John "J.J." Cafaro testified he made to Traficant while driving near YSU.

Political science professors Dr. William Binning and Dr. Paul Sracic provided commentary on local television stations.

6. LABOR STRIFE
From September on, union members criticized administrations past and present.

In September, members of the YSU-Ohio Education Association faculty union complained about the leadership of former President Dr. Leslie Cochran. In March, members of four unions voiced displeasure with the administration, saying it had backed out of a Relationships by Objective process.

7. RACIAL TENSION



TRAFICANT

Two football players were banned from Kilcawley House and temporarily suspended from YSU following complaints that pictures and symbols on a dormitory door were racist and offensive.

Students living in Kilcawley House had raised concerns over the symbols and pictures, including one that showed a black man shining a white man's shoes and burning crosses.

Players Chad Sylvester and Anthony Scalmato were punished for the incident.

8. CENTER SPARKS COMPLAINTS

The Center for International Studies and Programs drew criticism for a dysfunctional approach and disorganized paperwork. In April, several months after complaints are first detailed in The Jambar, a professor said no progress had been made.

9. HELLO, HEACOCK
In his first year at the helm of the YSU Penguin football team, Jon Heacock led the team to an 8-3 record.

Despite being left out of the NCAA tournament - a decision criticized by Athletic Director Ron Strollo - Heacock praised his players.

Heacock replaced Jim Tressel, a longtime Penguins coach who, in his first year at The Ohio State University, led the Buckeyes to the Outback Bowl.

10. BAR NONE
Liquor violations forced the popular Ernie McDoogell's to close in November after the Elm Street bar lost its liquor license.

In April, following a series of investigations and complaints, Pogos, on Rayen Avenue, was forced to close for 30 days because of liquor violations.

The bar reopened April 25, but a state investigator said there are other investigations pending against Pogos.



TRESSEL

U.S. schooling carries costs

Foreign students are not eligible for federal or state money.

By LE'EL HUGHES
Jambar Reporter

Though international students cannot depend on state or federal money to pay for American schooling, some in the YSU program say they believe it is the value of an American education that makes it worth their while.

Dr. Sylvia Hyre, director of the Center for International Studies and Programs, said YSU currently hosts 232 international students.

Ozgur Baykal, English Language Institute program, is from Turkey. Baykal is currently a part of a program that is helping him to become more proficient in the English language.

"My parents are using their life savings to send me here," he said.

Baykal is the son of two retired mathematics professors in Turkey, who he explained are using their social security

money to send him to YSU.

International students must provide documentation, such as bank statements, tax forms, check stubs and other documentation, to prove they can support themselves for the next two to four years while they are attending YSU, said Diane Scacchetti, director of International Admissions and Recruitment.

Students in the Center for International Studies Program said they have had to provide more financial documentation since Sept. 11.

Elaine Ruse, director, Financial Aid and Scholarships, said, "A student on a student visa who is not a permanent resident does not qualify for federal or state money."

Federal or state money includes Pell grants, student loans or any other monies supplied by taxpayers. Currently, out-of-state fees, which are the same for international students, are \$18,865 per academic year.

The fees include tuition and room and board for a full-time student.

International students are expected to pay their tuition up front and in full before

attending YSU.

In addition, some foreign students who attend YSU have families and wish to bring them to the United States.

Hyre said, "It is very common for our graduate students to bring their families with them. We currently have students who have their families here."

International students must show they have the finances to support their family's living expenses while they attend YSU.

YSU's estimated living expenses for a family are an additional \$3,000 for a student's spouse and each child 12 years of age and older and \$2,500 for each child under 12 years of age for each year the student and his or her family stays in the United States.

It is also strongly recommended that the foreign student pays for health insurance for his or her family while attending YSU, which is another \$920 for spouse/child per person.

So with a family of four with a spouse, one child under 12 years old, another child 12 years of age and older, the estimated cost for an international student for one academic year

is \$30,125.

Page 12 of the International Undergraduate application explained that U.S. laws state that international students cannot expect to work in order to pay university costs.

The application states that work opportunities for students are "strictly limited."

However, international students are permitted to work on campus, said Scacchetti.

She said, "Many international students are also sponsored by their embassies."

Susan Khawaja, assistant director of International Student and Scholar Programs, said there is also one scholarship available to international students called the Scholarship for International Students.

The scholarship was established in 2000 and will award students up to \$1,000 for one year and is renewable.

Though Khawaja said, "There were a few cases where students have received other types of scholarships, but there were no official forms that they filled out."

She said it was unclear to her and the students on how they received the scholarships.

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But, Long and other representative said, SG survived.

SG wrote and accepted a new constitution that many members said they feel was the most important thing that SG accomplished all year. Long said the new constitution will help future bodies have more clarity and less internal struggle.

College of Arts & Sciences Representative Mike Phillips said SG "worked efficiently" to pass legislation that made suggestions for the improvement of advisement on campus. Some suggestions included re-establishing the student survival handbook and requiring advisers to attend training seminars.

SG president-elect Jeff Parks said he is looking forward to making more changes for next year. SG members said there are many things they are proud of about their work this year, but they also feel there is a lot more to be done next year.

Some SG members said they feel like they could have done more.

"It's not like we have a shortage of problems," said Phillips.

Long said he has a few regrets from the beginning of his administration. He said he should not have tried to please everyone. He also said that he wishes he handled his budget appropriations differently and not been too timid to say no.

Phillips said he wished SG had spent more time with dis-

ability services and international studies. He said the views and opinions about international studies are conflicting.

"One side says it's good, and the other side says it's bad. It's one mess of miscommunication," he said.

Parks said this year was a good learning experience for him, and he has three main goals for SG next year.

First, he said he wants to restructure and reorganize the way SG handles business. Secondly, he said he wants to refocus SG by spending more time on student issues.

Third, he said he wants SG to reconnect with the student body. "There's a lot of work to be done in that area," he said.

Parks said he would like to work more closely with the student organization programming board and with student organizations for help with funding and advice.

He said the administration has been receptive and supportive of his new ideas for SG. Parks said he wants SG to "be more of a direct link from the students to the administration."

Phillips said he hopes next year includes more upfront discussions at meetings and getting the previous problems fixed. He also said he would like to see the administration present at more SG meetings.

Parks and vice president-elect Emily Eckman will officially take office at 12:01 a.m. May 20.

The Jambar staff would like to thank Alyssa Lenhoff, Jambar adviser and journalism instructor, for her hard work and dedication this year.



We would like to thank her for her being such a "good soul" — taking on Press Day and advising responsibilities. You are the reason we survived this year and the reason we are going on to bigger and better things.

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Editorial & Opinion

What We Think

Jambar staffers bid farewell and give their thanks

The academic year is coming to an end, and this year's Jambar staff would like to say a final goodbye.

This issue of The Jambar is the final issue for the academic year. Many of the staff members are graduating soon while other staff members will be returning to The Jambar in the summer and fall semesters.

We hope you've enjoyed reading the paper this year, and we hope we have fulfilled expectations of what a college newspaper should be.

We made some major changes to the paper this year, and we would like to thank all of those people who recognized our hard work and dedication.

For 30 weeks, our readers have had the opportunity to read news, feature, sports and entertainment stories. We also shared our points of view, with which many people chose to agree or disagree.

We received tremendous feedback from students, faculty and staff, and we hope everyone continues to share his or her views with future Jambar staffers.

We wish the new staff members the best of luck, and we hope they learn as much, if not more, than we learned this year.

And to the faculty members who helped us survive this academic year: To Alyssa Lenhoff, journalism instructor and Jambar adviser — we don't know what we would have done without you. Thanks for always pushing us to our highest potential.

To Rick Logan, journalism instructor — thanks for checking up on us and being there to critique our work.

To journalism instructors Guy Coviello, Jeff Schoch and Chalet Seidel — for their dedication to recruiting Jambar reporters.

And last but certainly not least, to Dr. Dale Harrison, former journalism director, who encouraged us to be the best journalists we could be.

CLARIFICATION

The Fine and Performing Arts calendar incorrectly states the date of its concert as today. The concert, titled "Symphonies for Brass," will take place Friday.

Phi Epsilon Kappa has 14 returning members, and four of those members are black, said Anthony Kandel, president and founder. "At least in my department, we are trying to promote a positive sense of diversity," he said. Tuesday's issue of The Jambar stated that the fraternity had no black members.

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What You Think

What are your plans after graduation?



PATRECKA ADAMS
assistant news editor, senior

"Hopefully, going to Chicago for an alternative journalism program."



KATIE BALESTRA
managing editor, senior

"I plan to go to Washington, D.C., and work as an editor for the Department of the Interior."



SOMOUD NISER
news editor, senior

"I'm working at WKBN on the newsroom assignment desk."



DEBBIE TUECHE
assistant copy editor, senior

"I have a few interviews lined up. So hopefully moving down south."



SHANNON WALLS
copy editor, senior

"I'm coming back to YSU as a graduate assistant in the Department of English."



KELLY WALSH
entertainment editor, senior

"To finish school and go to graduate school, or tour in a band forever."

Letters to the Editor

SG president discusses housing issues

Editor:

I am disappointed that attention has been focused on the alcohol portion of Student Government's housing requests. Visitation policy is a larger and clearer issue.

We have had no media or administrative comment on loosening visitation policies. Visitation should be open on a 24-hour basis for all residents without a 24-hour notification policy. Obviously, there must be certain limitations, including number, age and frequency of visitation.

What does it harm if a freshman resident receives a phone call at 8 p.m. Tuesday from a friend wishing to stay the night? Nothing! It is making people feel unwelcome and angering our residents.

Some have said we live in an

urban area and cannot allow anyone to walk in at anytime. That's why we think sign-in policies are necessary.

But, is it safer to allow upperclassmen to sign people in than for underclassmen? Is it safer to allow visitation Thursday through Saturday but not Sunday through Wednesday?

In regard to the alcohol debate there are costs and benefits to permitting alcohol in dormitories. I understand the demand to lessen alcohol consumption on campuses.

Unfortunately, critics of SG won't even admit there are both benefits and costs. Instead, they argue fallaciously to deny any benefits. It has been said there are only 30 students over the age of 21 in dorms.

Of course there aren't students over the age of 21 in the

dorms! They've left to find less restrictive life-styles. It's been suggested that students are not displeased with residence life because our dorms are filled. Filling our limited space doesn't mean we are maximizing our potential. Students have testified to leaving because of restrictive policies.

The higher the demand for housing, the more welcoming the atmosphere, the more residents on campus, the sooner we will drop our reputation as the place one goes when not ready for "real college."

Much of the decision to select a college depends on its reputation for fun. To deny this is to be far out of touch with reality. Administrators convinced that students are happy with the policies are likewise out of touch with students.

I have received numerous calls and comments supporting the policy changes. Again, though, I realize we cannot go to any extremes to maximize demands for housing. One suggestion may be to open one dorm, such as The Woods of Liberty, to these policies. I am eagerly waiting to meet with a housing official to discuss this kind of compromise.

My final requests are simple: Stay in touch with students, don't use poor arguments to distort the costs and benefits of policy change and keep our entire idea of a more attractive residence life in mind without limiting our position to merely "boozing in the dorms."

Joe Long
President,
Student Government

Reader says party did not warrant police

Editor:

As a student and a resident of Pennsylvania Avenue, I thought the article about the party on my street was a waste of space. The party was a success, and everyone there seemed to have a good time.

I don't understand what the problem was and why the YSU police are making a stink

about it. The administration and the faculty always say this is a "real school" or they would like it to be a real school. Well, for all those who don't know, real schools do this all the time, even on Tuesdays, and don't get any problems from anyone.

The permit was obtained legally. If the city doesn't know its own laws that's not our fault. I saw people being card-

ed. The people who were busted for underage drinking were from the dorms, and they got caught with bottles, not cups of beer.

YSU police do nothing but sit in the parking lot across the street from the dorms on Elm Street. I know YSU police have jurisdiction on Pennsylvania Avenue, but isn't it YSU property? So lighten up.

Consenting adults having one party a year for other consenting adults is not illegal. I just wish YSU Police Chief John Gocala and the YSU police had something more constructive to do than harass students and sit in parking lots.

Dave Beard
Junior,
Marketing

Manual clock system would serve campus

Editor:

The matter at hand could not have come in a more timely manner. In a short time from now the students will be facing the crunch of finals set by the university at very specific times. Apparently, Facilities could care less about that.

It is a shame that Facilities cannot synchronize something

as simple as a clock. I'm also disappointed in the Student Government's handling of the situation by simple talking about a centralized computer system to ease the synchronizing, according to the article.

What SG should have done was offer two suggestions: First, have all of the Facilities employees set their watches to one centralized clock. Second: Walk to

every class on campus and adjust the clocks MANUALLY.

I'm pretty sure the Facilities employees know what time it is when they report to work, and I bet they all clock out for the day on time.

Try telling students why some clocks, adjusted for daylight-saving time, are STILL an hour off.

I have five instructors who

sympathize with their students who walk in class late. I wonder what the Facilities boss would say if his subordinates were absent for work because their alarm clocks went off late?

I guess the answer is in the article: "Deal with" it.

Eric McMillan
Senior,
Geography

Student suggests solution for clock problems

Editor:

I read with interest the article regarding the erroneous clocks on campus in the April 23 issue of The Jambar. The problem is an irritation to the students and faculty and is a distraction to the education process.

The problem-solving approach regarding the clock problem was of interest to me. The suggestion of a central-

ized computer system would indeed be costly. The design, installation and maintenance of the wiring and electronic controls would be expensive.

May I suggest a solution based on wireless technology? Clocks that automatically get updated by receiving a 60 kHz longwave radio signal from a station WWVB are available.

These clocks are controlled by radio signals broadcasting the time according to

the U.S. government atomic clock, located in Boulder, Colo. Clocks based on this technology are now in mass production and can be obtained from retailers such as Wal-Mart.

The Web site http://www.boulder.nist.gov/time_freq/general/receiverlist.htm will provide a list of manufacturers of these devices.

Additional information about the technology can be

found at http://www.boulder.nist.gov/time_freq/stations/radioclocks.htm.

Additionally, an excellent reference source relating to problem solving is the book "Systematic Innovation: An Introduction to TRIZ," which can be found in the Maag Library (HD 30.29.T47).

George Shay, PE
Adjunct Faculty
School of Technology

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work that needs to be done to increase the numbers of black and minority employees on campus.

"I don't think we've made significant progress, but we are still at the take-off stage. The burden of responsibility is on people to deliver what we say we are up to. Where there's a will, there's a way," he said.

Dr. Sherri Lovelace-Cameron, assistant professor, chemistry, is one of the 23 minority professors employed in the College of Arts and Sciences. She said that when she came to YSU she thought there would be more blacks in her department.

"The sciences have a difficult time recruiting faculty of color," she said.

Delores Gaines, junior, special education, said she has had one minority instructor in three years.

"The university talks about diversity," she said. "They're all talk

[but] no action."

Anne McMahon, professor, business, is the president of the Partners for Workplace Diversity Program.

McMahon said it's difficult to increase minority employment on campus because some jobs are "stratified," or divided into levels and comprised of people of the same racial, gender or sexual status.

"Eighty percent of people work in some kind of stratified job, whether stratified by gender or race or something else," she said. "Places that have been successful in getting rid of the stratification have done so by expanding the number of jobs they have. If you are not expanding, it's hard to change those numbers."

McMahon added that YSU has actually had a reduction in the number of jobs available.

A closer look at the Campus Police department further illustrates

the employment disparities.

The police department has 23 full-time employees and of those, two officers, one sergeant and one dispatcher, are black.

However, Steve Lucivjansky, coordinator of Equal Opportunities/Affirmative Action for YSU, said only Asians are considered to be underrepresented in the police department.

"How we determine if we have under utilization of a particular group is by looking at the number of individuals in our area who would be available to fill the position based on census data," he said.

Lucivjansky went on to say the hiring determinations are based on two very distinct criteria.

"We determine who is available based on two factors: the number of individuals who are currently in that line of work and the statistics from

the unemployment office, showing who is applying for these jobs," he added.

Lack of faculty diversity could continue to affect students even after graduation, said Dr. Rick Fry, professor, psychology.

"A lack of minority faculty might affect students in relating to minorities in authority positions later in life," he said.

University President Dr. David Sweet said he met with all deans last week to go over the pool of candidates for vacancies and the diversity in those pools.

"We are taking every possible action to increase the diversity of our faculty," he said. "We need to make more progress in [diversity]."

While the numbers continue to remain the same across ranks, Wan-Tatah added that he is hopeful the university will continue to diversify.

"What President

Sweet has started needs to be continued," he said. "Diversity is essential because it helps us deal with enrollment and financing issues and helps make our classes more dynamic."

Sweet said YSU administrators have been discussing plans to

increase diversity, which include linking with historically black colleges and universities to recruit candidates of color.

Administrators in the College of Education have suggested recruiting Youngstown-area minorities who have their master's degrees and would earn their doctorate degrees at YSU and then teach here, said Sweet.

Kent State University has similar diversity issues and initiatives. In 1993, KSU's president, Dr. Carol Cartwright, formed a special committee to flesh out diversity problems and update the university's 1993 University Diversity Plan.

KSU's Diversity Implementation Plan 2001-2005 is the result of that committee's recommendations.

The report found that of 817 full-time faculty members, 36 are black. The report also states that blacks in the faculty dropped from 44 in 1997 to 36 in 2000.

Dr. Noah Midamba, coordinator of KSU's Office of Institutional Diversity, was put in charge of framing the plan. He said his office is working with other departments to continue to work toward achieving greater campus diversity.

"Kent State is on the right track. Our diversity is very focused, and we have a very active faculty and staff," he said via a telephone interview.

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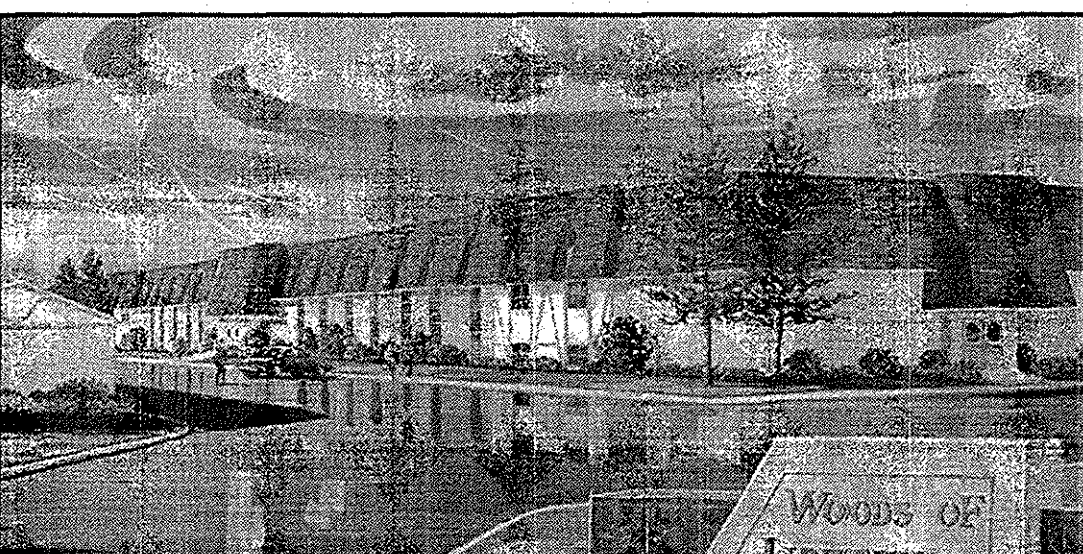



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Arts & Entertainment



KELLY WALSH/ THE JAMBAR

Sequins and Sass

By MELANIE HEYMAN
Jambar Reporter

With faces full of make-up, high-heeled shoes, flashy costumes and walks that a woman practices all her life, men — drag queens to be exact — participated in YSU's annual drag show.

The members of the organization Tongzhi held a drag show Tuesday in Kilcawley Center.

The proceeds from the show benefit the Ursuline Sisters Aids Ministry to assist those who are living with AIDS and HIV. The money was raised from the entertainers' tips.

The show had many twists and turns, such as wigs unexpectedly falling off and breasts being exposed. These divas, as they call themselves, turned the Chestnut Room into a tribute to Diana Ross.

Each act was original. Alyssa Day, who performed to a Jennifer Lopez song, had a costume that consisted of Bullwinkle slippers for breasts, a curly wig and a dress with a 1920s theme.

Princess Delicious of Cleveland wore a dress she designed and made herself. She also wore a metallic dress with hot pink feathers and a multi-colored wig for her first performance.

Performing for the first time was Michael King, freshman, music education. His stage name is Princess Marcella Whine.

"Don't forget the Princess," he said. "I do hold the crown."

He performed Blu Cantrell's single, "Hit 'Em Up Style (Oops!)." In his second performance, he did a flip, which caused his wig to come off, and he exposed his real breasts, but he kept on going.

At the end of his performance, he added, "I'm still beautiful."

Ms. Diva Newcomer Youngstown, Ms. Maxine Factor, performed "Part of Your World" from the soundtrack of "The Little Mermaid" while wearing a mermaid costume.

The audience was captivated by the performances, and many looked on in amazement.

Lindsey Cascrucci, sophomore, early childhood education, said, "I think that this is good to have things like this on campus."

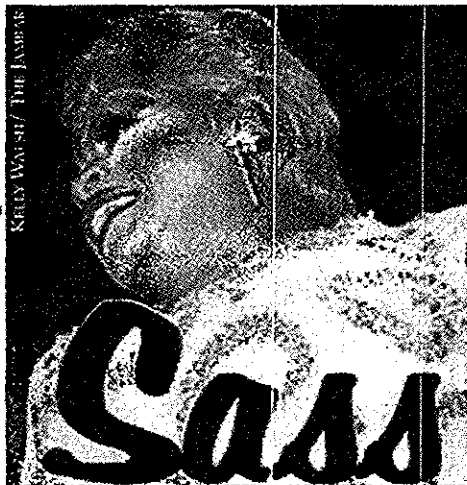
The drag queens have a practice of starting families of their own. King said Samantha Styles was his Drag Mother and best friend. His sisters are Ms. Monica Masters and Ms. Serena Hunter.

Stone Masters, president of Tongzhi, has a family of his own, which includes a man he considers his husband. Even though these aren't biological families, they give each other the support they need.

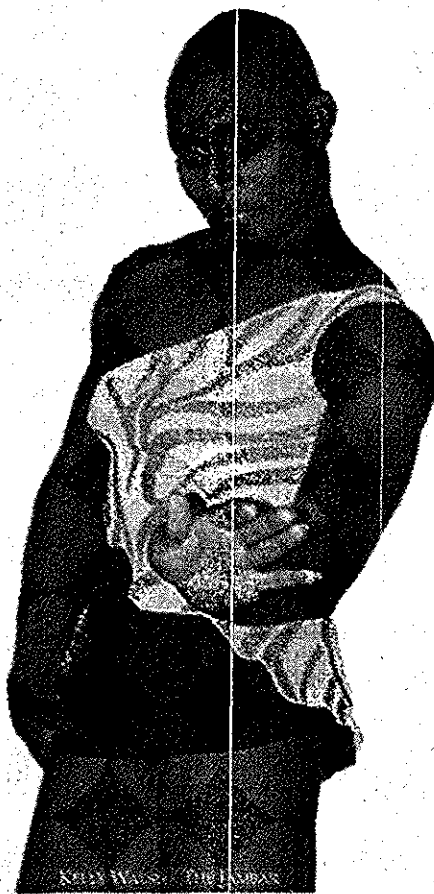
Masters gave his husband a tribute and had roses and two candles delivered to his front row table.

Although Day's biological family did not attend, a friend of hers came to give her support.

Day said, "My mom almost came. I don't get any support from my family."



QUEENS OF STAGE: Hostess Sammantha Styles, above, entertained the audience between acts. Below, Marsell Whine, struts her stuff on the stage, and left, Princess Delicious collects her tips for her performance



Oakland play gets laughs

By KELLY WALSH
Jambar Editor

The small, but cozy, (no thanks to its comfy chairs) Oakland Center for the Arts theater reached close to maximum capacity Saturday night for the comedy "Picasso at the Lapin Agile."

Written by Steve Martin and directed by Anthony Ruggiero, the play takes on a few funny twists. The setting is based in 1904 in a small cafe/bar in France where fate brings together a group of people with different views on life.

Albert Einstein, played by Nick DePinto, is a patron at the Lapin Agile. Einstein is working on his book, the "Special Theory of Relativity," and the play takes place just one year before it was published.

He is waiting to meet a woman with red hair but did not make plans with her to get together. She is supposed to be at another establishment, but he believes that if they are to be together fate will do the work.

Enter Suzanne, played by Brooke Slanina, the vibrant red-haired beauty who Einstein may be waiting for. However, Suzanne is at the Lapin Agile, hoping to meet up with the man who stole her heart, Pablo Picasso. She tells the others in the bar about the artist, and they anticipate his arrival as well.

The audience gets to peer into the lives of others at the Lapin Agile. Two employees at the cafe, Freddy, played by B.J. Wilkes, and Germaine, played by Elizabeth Rubino, have been romantically involved.

Gaston, played by Mark DeVicchio, adds a comic element to an already funny play. As a dirty old man he is loud and obnoxious and talks about his lack of sex but flirts with Suzanne and frequently has to run to the restroom.

When Picasso finally arrives at the Lapin Agile he overpowers the room with his vivacious personality. He criticizes the artwork on the wall, slightly butts heads with Einstein and makes it known that he thinks he is God's gift to art and women. But the question becomes: "Will he win Suzanne over?"

Local TV news reporter Glenn Stevens makes an appearance in the play as Sagot, an art dealer who regards Picasso's work very highly.

Sagot bargains a bit with the artist to get him to sign one of his small drawings. Sagot helps Picasso's growing ego to inflate even further.

While all workers and patrons are at the Lapin Agile, they speculate that a third genius of the century will grace their presence. Charles Dabernow Schmendiman enters the scene, believing he is perhaps the greatest inventor of the 20th century.

He tries to get attention with his obnoxious personality but does not have much more to offer. The inventions he brags about are faulty and completely useless, and the other players disregard his confidence.

Soon everyone comes to know who the third genius is. A visitor, played by Jason Vantell, adds a futuristic, wacky twist that tops off all the fun of the play.

Steve Martin's "Picasso at the Lapin Agile" is light-hearted and filled with laughs. It adds just enough suspense to keep the audience on the edge of its seat, and the actors draw the audience in with their believable portrayals of the characters.

The play will continue to run 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday Oakland Center for the Arts. Tickets are \$7 for students, \$12 for senior citizens and \$15 for adults.



By B.J. LISKO
Jambar Editor

Heavy metal. What does the phrase even mean anymore? At one time, it meant rebellion. It meant heavy ass guitars, fists in the air. An all out assault on all that was good and decent.

Somewhere in the last decade, however, metal lost its fire. Pioneers of the genre like Slayer, Metallica and Megadeth got caught up in big money, and music television lost sight of that original vision.

Now no more than watered down radio rock, or rap and industrial tinged D-chords, metal is in desperate need of a "second sight."

Coincidentally, that is the title of the forthcoming album from Lubbock, Texas, own Speeddealer as they look to reclaim all that is lost in the world of heavy music.

"It's pure adrenaline," Speeddealer six-stringer Eric Schmidt said. "We sort of see it as our duty to let everyone know there's still good music going on."

With more than 300 shows in each of the last three years, the members of Speeddealer take their jobs very seriously. Having opened for musicians from the likes of Gwar to Motorhead, Speeddealer nails its music into anyone and everyone associated with the world of hard rock 'n' roll.

While other bands would have surely collapsed from the exhaustion of such a rigorous touring schedule,

for Speeddealer the open road seems to be a way of life.

"We've gotten to the point where we believe so much in what we're doing, we know how to pace ourselves on the road," Schmidt said. "It's tough, but you've got to take a night off from partying every so often, or at least slow down a bit."

With its new release, Speeddealer delve into a variety of genres. Opening tracks "Leave me Alone" and "Second Sight" are metal, while tracks such as

"Kill Myself Tonight" and "All the Things You'll Never Be," are straight up rock.

"The doors are pretty much open," Schmidt said in regards to the genres Speeddealer draws influences from. "Every so often we have to step back and make sure things don't get too far off the beaten path, and make sure everything will still be in the realm of what we've already done."

Speeddealer's recording resume also includes its last release "Here Comes Death" and self titled debut "REO Speeddealer."

A threat of legal action from 70s has-beens REO Speedwagon, forced the band to drop its initial moniker for its friendlier title.

Getting back to the heavier side, headbangers will recognize first-time producing credits to ex-Metallica bassist Jason Newsted.

Newsted's departure from the now commercial-friendly Metallica was well chronicled and his production appearance here seems fitting.

Unleash the Metal



IN YOUR FACE: Eric Schmidt, a guitarist for Speeddealer who occasionally plays bass, stays true to his heavy metal roots.

"Jason just tried to capture us the most live, high energy way that he could," Schmidt said. "He made a couple suggestions to song structure, and we were pretty much on the same page."

The addition of Newsted, combined with added growth in the band, has sparked some different sounds for Speeddealer on its new record.

"Fractured" opens slow and eerie

before turning into a thrash gem. "Infinitesimal" may be the most complex Speeddealer song ever recorded as the six minute, instrumental tune shows Speeddealer have progressed from the straight ahead brutality of their first record, to show restraint and maturity in their songwriting.

Speeddealer will open for Motorhead at 8 p.m. Friday at the Agora in Cleveland.

'Silver Lining' album rates as success

By PATRECKA ADAMS
Jambar Assistant Editor

It seems her cloud has a silver lining, and that is music to her fans' ears.

"Silver Lining," the aptly titled album by singer Bonnie Raitt, was released April 9.

The 12-track disc showcases the stellar ballads and guitar-drenched cuts that Raitt's fans have come to expect and love.

Raitt's latest collection

does not disappoint. From the funky "Fool's Game" to the bluesy "Gnawin' on It," Raitt utilizes her time-tested formula not to mention her trademark electric and slide guitars to deliver on every track.

The 52-year-old's powerful and melodic vocals flow smoothly and effortlessly over the percussion-heavy beat on the disc's title track, producing a deliciously country-esque remake of songwriter David Gray's hit tune.

Raitt and her band skill-

fully fuse blues, funk and pop for a harmonious blend of passionate odes to love, sex and just having a good of time.

Raitt serves as co-producer on the album.

Full of finger-snapping up-tempo selections and slow, sultry numbers, many of Raitt's fans may say that this is her best album ever.

The nine-time Grammy award winner blesses her audience with soul-stirring performances on "I Can't

Help You Now," "Hear Me Lord" and "Valley of Pain."

But "Wounded Heart" and "Wherever You May Be" are arguably the most transcendent of "Silver's" offerings.

The former is beautifully reminiscent of the 1980 classic "Magic" by Olivia Newton-John.

With its haunting background vocals and subtle piano keystrokes, "Wherever" is fraught with emotion and longing—a truly splendorous

piece.

With "Silver," Raitt has proved that she has found the key to longevity in the music business. She has shown that she knows how to keep loyal fans devoted and entice new listeners.

The album is like a music smorgasbord; there's a unique and delectable variety of choices for every taste. And everyone is guaranteed to walk away from Raitt's latest offering feeling full and content.