

Tears mark murder trial

By REBECCA MARQUIS
The Jambar



TREASIC

Freddie Lewis, 20, of Youngstown is charged with aggravated murder for the slaying of Justin Treasic, who was fatally shot last February.

Also charged is William Vaughn of Youngstown. Vaughn's trial is set to begin when Lewis' trial ends.

Jane Treasic, Justin's mother, wiped away tears as the jury selection process began.

"This is horribly hard to go through," Jane Treasic said as she glanced toward the opposite end of the room, where Lewis sat.

Other family members who were present — Ken Treasic, Justin's father, as well as his aunt and uncle — sat solemnly through the process, occasionally dabbing at their eyes with a tissue.

Jane Treasic bowed her

head and clasped her hands as Judge Maureen Cronin instructed the newly seated jury that Lewis "as he sits there now, is not guilty."

Lewis entered a plea of innocent to the charges, and his defense attorney, Ron Yarwood, will be arguing that Lewis was also a victim of Vaughn. In an interview with The Jambar, Yarwood said Vaughn is the one who actually pulled the trigger.

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— JANE TREASIC
Justin Treasic's mother

Lewis, he said, was afraid of Vaughn, his cousin.

Yarwood said Vaughn also held Lewis at gunpoint before the shooting.

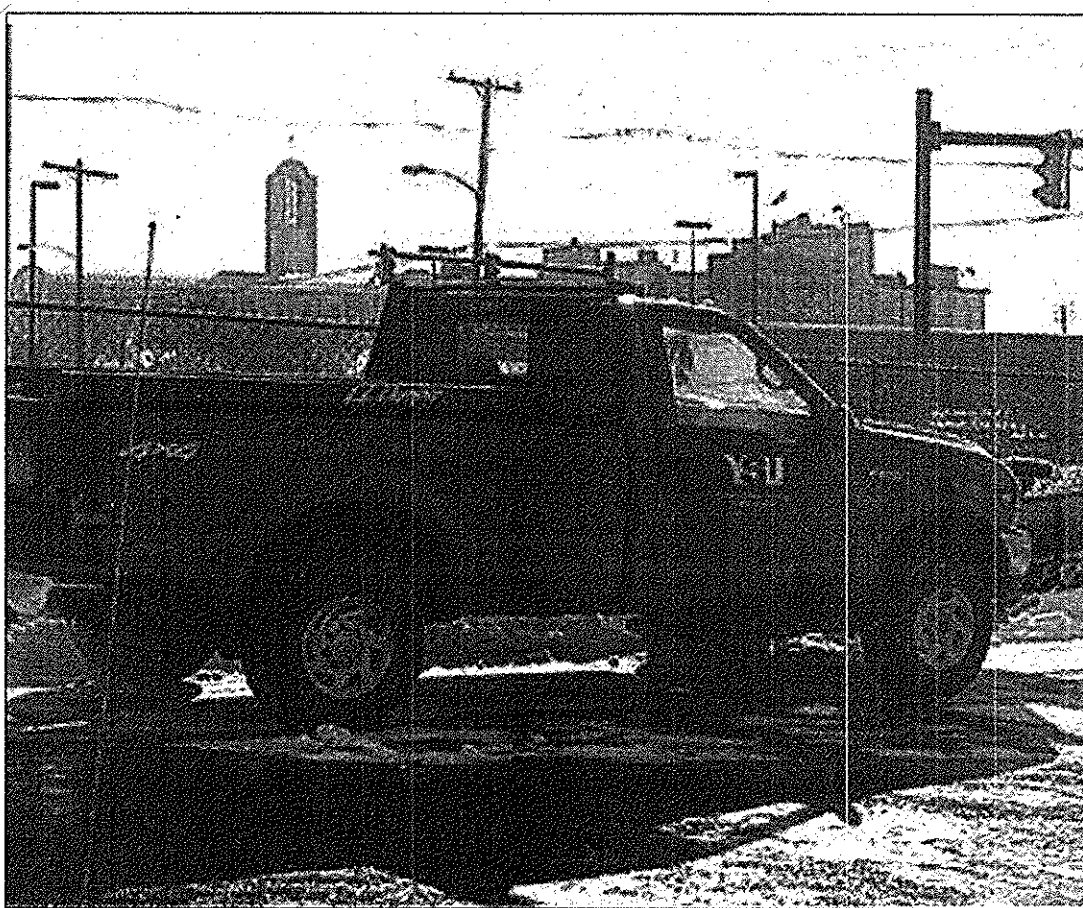
Prosecutors, however, said Lewis and Treasic were together in Lewis' car, and that he planned to buy marijuana from Treasic and rob him.

During Monday's proceedings in the ongoing case, the detective in charge of the investigation, John Kelly, said the cousins were described as "always being together" and that they were together for a short time after Treasic's shooting.

Kelly also testified that after the shooting, Lewis and

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SNOW DAZE



Henry Gomez/The Jambar

CALL MR. PLOW: Thick clouds of chimney smoke hovered over downtown Youngstown on Monday as the area tried to recover from a weekend winter storm.

Students slipped on slushy sidewalks, stranded motorists stood beside their broken-down cars, and YSU plows moved from parking lot to parking lot, leaving 4-foot snow banks in place of some parking spots.

With temperatures below 10 and wind chills close to zero, students roamed campus with oversized winter coats, scarves, stocking caps and gloves. Salt trucks could not keep up with the heavy traffic on Wick, Lincoln and Rayen avenues.



Housing leaders convene at YSU

By ALICIA HOUSTON
The Jambar

More than 450 student resident assistants from 18 northeast Ohio universities gathered at YSU Saturday for the 13th annual Northeast Ohio Housing Officers (NEOHO) RA Drive-In Conference.

NEOHO is comprised of housing professionals at public and private universities in northeast Ohio and is part of the National Association of College and University Housing Officers.

The conference, which university officials said was one of the largest gatherings of student resident assistants in the nation, gave RAs the opportunity to exchange new ideas with their peers about their roles as RAs.

"YSU put a whole lot more work into it," said Mount Union College student Thomas Jefferson. "I like the 'Where the Fun Never Ends' theme. Everyone seems to be enjoying themselves."

Jefferson said this year's conference was the third one he has attended. After three years of being an RA, he is thinking of pursuing a career in student affairs.

The conference included 48 programming sessions on topics ranging from diversity to binge drinking.

Student resident assistants from Mount Union College presented a program titled "Archie Bunker's Neighborhood," in which resident assistants and directors can use as a training activity.

In "Archie Bunker's Neighborhood," participants were divided into several groups. The goal of each group was to act as a community and build a school, church, and hospital. Each group was given the materials they needed to accomplish this goal — or so they thought.

As the program progressed, the groups realized only one group was given proper materials and resources to accomplish their goal.

"This program is supposed to simulate oppression and discrimination," said Mount Union student Jason Morris, who presented the program. "Only one of the groups can do anything they want, which represents the white, upper class population. The rest of the groups are lacking in some way."

"Sometimes they'll try to get together but we'll stop that," Morris said.

"It represents how our

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Dog Gone Champ

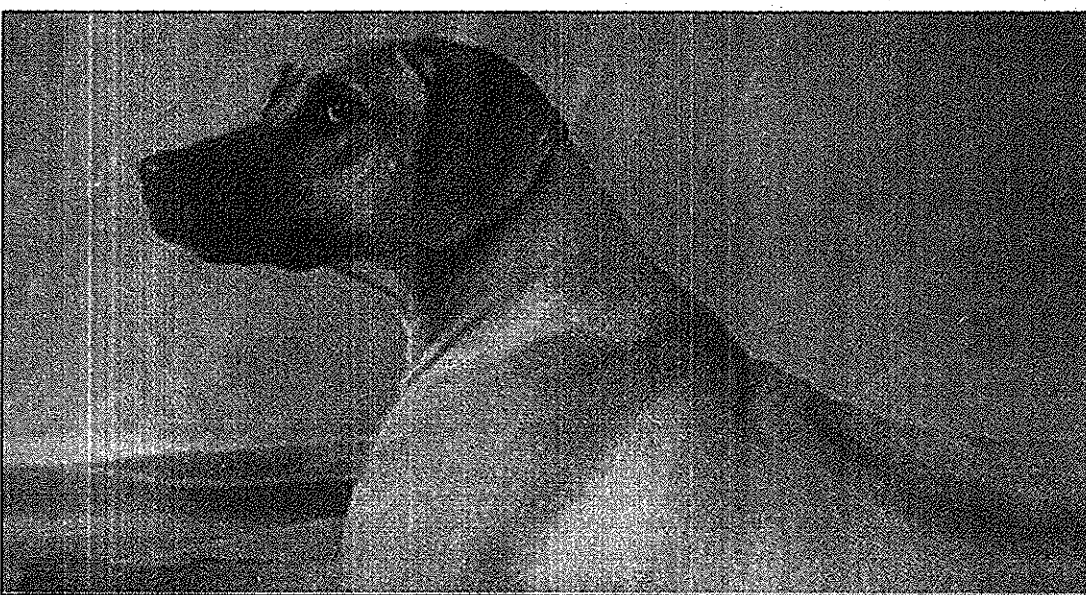


Photo courtesy of Daniel O'Neill

GRAND CHAMPION: Daniel O'Neill, professor and chair of Communications and Theater is owner of his beloved dog Tempest, an A.K.C. National Champion site hound.

By JAMI BONINSEGNA
The Jambar

YSU has more than one connection to a national championship title.

"Eat your heart out Jim Tressel, we, too, coached a national champ!" Daniel O'Neill, professor and chair of Communications and Theater, said.

O'Neill is talking about Tempest, a Rhodesian Ridgeback dog he and his wife have raised.

Tempest, whose full name is Diamonds Eye of the Storm, was the 2002 A.K.C. National Champion site hound in lure coursing, a type of A.K.C. field event where site hounds chase a simulated rabbit in a field.

These dogs are judged on speed, follow, agility and stamina, O'Neill said.

Weighing 82 pounds and running about a half-mile in 40 seconds, Tempest defeated 308 dogs in 16 competitions last year, and won 13

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Moser, Meshel labs see computer changes

To combat high printing costs only students in the college of Engineering and Technology can print in Moser Hall.

By MELISSA MOSCHELLA
The Jambar

One student said recent changes to computer labs on campus have gone too far.

"There is increased security in every lab at YSU," said senior David George. "But it's to the point where you need a password to print."

George is referring to the Maxwell password, which as of spring semester is necessary to print any material from computer labs in Moser Hall. Only students in the college of

Engineering and Technology are permitted to use the labs in Moser Hall unless they have obtained permission from the dean.

Students must submit their information on the Engineering and Technology Web site to obtain a password.

Passwords may also be requested from a lab assistant if one is available. The assistant will e-mail students their password after it is requested.

The whole process takes less than a day, Dan Suchora, professor of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, said.

"We got into problems with printing costs," Suchora said. "It was getting out of hand."

Suchora said he found people from off-campus that were coming to labs and printing as many as 50 color pages.

George said professors are partially to blame for excessive printing by students.

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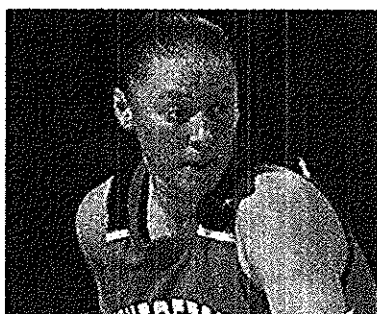
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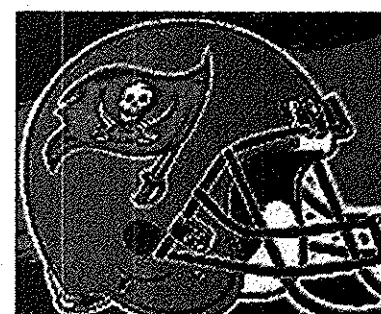
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YSPAN attends Iraq protest in D.C. University sees increase in tons of recycled trash

By DAVE DEVEREUX
The Jambar

Four student members of the Youngstown State Peace Action Network took part in an anti-war march earlier this month in Washington, D.C.

Jacob Harver, Cate O'Malley, Jesse Bartolotta and Hannah Foster attended the nationally publicized rally, which was sponsored by Act Now to Stop War and Ed Racism [ANSWER].

Harver said about 225,000 people from across the U.S. came to protest the country's impending war with Iraq.

"The diversity of ethnicity and age showed that people are united against this war for oil and their numbers are growing," he said. "Signs such as 'Money for Jobs Not for War' and 'Fighting for Peace is like Screwing for Virginity' were held high as the people chanted 'Drop Bush not Bombs!' and 'Hell no we won't go, we won't fight for Texaco!'"

In addition to YSPAN's concerns, a YSU political science professor said he is planning a forum to discuss local concerns about war.

Keith J. Lepak said the forum is set for 3 p.m. Feb. 5 in the Ohio Room of Kilcawley

Center.

Harver said he opposes a war because he feels President Bush has no evidence for a justification of an attack on Iraq.

"With Bush maintaining his war mongering despite no weapons of mass destruction and no connections to terrorism found, it is obvious this is a war for oil and further U.S. control of the middle east," he said.

Lepak was more reserved on the merits of war.

"I don't know if war is necessary," he said. "We're gonna find out [in tonight's State of the Union]."

Harver envisions a U.S. takeover of Iraq.

"The U.S. government has already made plans for a post-Saddam Hussein U.S. military occupation government and dividing up the oil wells amongst U.S. oil companies."

Lepak, however, said it is important to realize YSPAN offers only one side.

"The reasons for the prospective war are debatable," he said. "there is a lot of confusion in the country about the rationale or reasons for a prospective war with Iraq."

"Public opinion is pretty soft. YSPAN and Jacob represent public opinion - it's a voice."

Harver also responded to the comments made by ROTC student David Briceland in last week's Jambar.

In the article, Briceland, who is an Army reserve, said going to war was his main goal in joining the reserves and said if the U.S. declared war with Iraq, he would rather fight for his country than stay behind in training.

Harver said YSPAN is working to make sure Briceland doesn't have that option.

"We support troops not as their role as troops but as human beings whose lives may be lost in a rich man's war," Harver said.

"YSPAN understands that many students rely on ROTC scholarships to attend college, but in a nation of so much wealth why must someone have to be 'trained to kill' in order to receive an education?"

Harver added that ANSWER is sponsoring another national anti-war march that will take place Feb. 15 in New York City. He said YSPAN is organizing transportation for those interested in participating.

"It is up to the people to refuse and resist this imperialist war and stand in solidarity with the Iraqi people for self

determination," he said.

Harver noted that YSPAN meets every first and third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. by Bytes' and Pieces in Kilcawley Center. He said that in the months ahead, YSPAN would be organizing a teach-in on the Israeli Occupation of Palestine as well as a Campus Freedom Party.

Harver said one of YSPAN's main goals this spring will be to continue to fight for the rights of students. He said plans are underway for forming a Campus Freedom Party to obtain positions in the Student Government Association.

"We realize student government is a joke of an institution merely created by the university to give a facade of student involvement in decision making," Harver said.

"YSPAN members will use whatever positions they are elected to as a soap box to challenge the university and state power structures and rally students to demand democracy."

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University sees increase in tons of recycled trash

By HEATHER SHAW
The Jambar

With the decrease in land fill space and the continual increase of garbage each year, YSU has paved the way in the fight for the environment by recycling.

The program's coordinator said the university has increased the amount of trash recycled on campus this year from 50 tons to 230.5 tons.

"YSU is definitely one of the top five schools in Ohio that has an enormous success with recycling," Jim Petuch said. "Other schools like The University of Akron and The Ohio State University are seeking YSU's help with their own recycling programs."

In 1999, only 50 tons of trash were recycled, but that number rose in 2002 to 200 tons, and reached an all-time high in 2002 at 230.5 tons of trash that was recycled from campus, producing a 31.4 percent increase.

Petuch credits this increase to the students and the 750 recycling bins placed in all of the campus buildings, dorms and art museums.

"Slim Jims [recycling bins] allow students to help do their part and it is so easy to do," Petuch said. "These bins are easily accessible and serve a purpose in saving the environment."

Petuch said that since each student produces an average of five pounds of trash per day in one year, with use of the slim Jims, students can help to recycle a half of a ton of trash a year effortlessly.

For students who wish to participate in recycling on and off campus Petuch said it is very easy to do and can even bring their trash from home to recycle.

"Students may bring books, magazines, cans and any papers from home to campus and stick them in the slim Jims to be recycled or they can bring recyclable material to the Community Recycling Center on Campus," Petuch said.

While recycling on campus is important in saving the environment, Petuch said people must recycle at home, as well.

"There are services out there that will recycle for you," Petuch said. "A few are the Solid Waste District [Green Team] and other places like Prime Paper will come to your office and recycle all of your

office paper. There is help out there."

In his efforts to help save the environment, Petuch said that little changes in students' everyday lives can help the environment.

He cited using cloth bags at the store, reusing your plastic bags that you carry your books home from the bookstore in as trash liners, and avoiding excess packaging for small items will cut down the use of plastic materials, as ways to make changes.

Petuch also recommends buying quality products.

"Recycling paper is not the only concern in saving the environment," he said. "People need to buy quality items, like TV's computers, furniture and appliances."

"Buying high quality items don't tend to need replacing as often so it saves you money in the long run and the use of plastics, rubber etc. also decreases."

And when you feel your product has worn out or technology has surpassed it, don't throw those items away. Many local charities need old televisions, computers, sweepers and kitchen items to give to schools and underprivileged families. YSU last year gave away 17,612 pounds of computers to local charities and non-profit organizations.

With the help of Petuch and YSU environmental science major, Sarah Ellis, they developed re:CREATE. A service, which places unwanted materials, chairs, fabrics, computers and other campus materials, and places them with non-profit organizations and schools.

While Petuch is happy with his recycling success, he still has much bigger goals for the future.

"I am proud to say YSU is leading the way for the Mahoning Valley to follow in recycling, but as a university I want to meet and surpass Harvard's recycling rate, which is the best right now at 50 percent," Petuch said.

"YSU is at 20 percent." Petuch said that the main fight in saving the environment is to educate. He said he believes the power of educating each other and spreading the word about recycling will make the biggest difference in the end.

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Criminal justice professor returns to YSU

STAFF REPORT
The Jambar

After four years of serving at the Ohio Training Academy, YSU criminal justice Professor Jim Conser will return to YSU.

For the past four years, Conser served at the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy [OPOTA] at the request of former Attorney General Betty D. Montgomery.

During Conser's four-year leave, he created the curriculum for the Canine Evaluator as well as leading efforts in obtaining two grant funds to the OPOTA from the Ohio Criminal Justice Services to enhance database records and equip the Richfield facility computer lab.

Conser served as a very instrumental force in bringing new technologies to the Commission and applying them to the world of training, according to a newsletter published by the Attorney General's Office.

Conser also pushed the research and

creation of the physical fitness standards for Peace Officer Training in Ohio. He served as a key person in passing Senate Bill 119, which requires law enforcement agencies to report the employment status of commissioned peace officers.

Conser also took charge of revising the Basic Peace Officer training curriculum, Local Corrections Basic training and Basic Peace Officer refresher curriculum.

Conser's active role in OPOTA led him to help create the current final exam for Peace Officer basic training, as well as Local Corrections training and creating the position of curriculum coordinator to oversee the development and maintenance of both Commission and Academy curricula.

Conser plans on bringing his experiences and knowledge from OPOTA into the curriculum of his three classes he is teaching this semester, as well as at the YSU Police Academy.

In addition to teaching, Conser is also conducting an independent study this semester, he has recently published a text-

book and will be holding conferences on his text and changes made to OPOTA. Conser will also be serving as the temporary chair of the Criminal Justice department for a few months this semester.

Conser's fellow faculty members are pleased to have him back and many feel they are indebted to him for all of his many contributions to the betterment of OPOTA, according to the Attorney General's Office.

Tammy A. King, chair of the criminal justice department, is one of the many who welcome Conser's return, saying that Conser is such a professional instructor that has a lot to offer the university and the YSU Police Department.

In addition to all of his accomplishments and betterment to OPOTA, King adds that, "Dr. Conser is more than an accomplished individual, he is a joyful, intelligent and kind man and I and so happy to have him back at YSU."

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Vaughn stopped at a local store to buy cigars with which to smoke the marijuana they had obtained from Treasic. Then, Kelly said, they went back to Lewis' house.

When questioning Kelly, Yarwood alleged that there were inconsistencies between what Kelly said on the witness stand and what he had written.

Treasic was discovered in a North Side field last Feb. 21, shot twice - once in the head and once in his left arm. He died the next day at St. Elizabeth Health Center of his injuries.

Call Rebecca Marquis at (330) 941-3523.

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"Some professors have 50 pages of notes on their Web sites that need printed," George said.

Another change that took place in the middle of last semester was to the Meshel Hall room 303 lab. Only Computer Science and Information Systems students or students who currently have a CSIS class are permitted to use this lab.

Karen Duda, chair of CSIS, said signs were posted announcing changes to the lab last semester.

Virginia Phillips, professor of CSIS, said there were two reasons for lab use being restricted to CSIS students.

"We have software that is only available in this lab,"

Phillips said. "CSIS students could not even get this software at Bytes and Pieces last semester."

Phillips said the other reason for the lab restrictions is the lack of lab assistants.

"CSIS has to pay for their lab assistants out of CSIS funds," Phillips said. "No other university funds help to pay for assistants."

Phillips said no other changes have taken place to the lab in Meshel. Students do not need a password to print documents.

"I wish we had other changes like new carpet, computers and software, but the university does not see it fit to that."

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Today's Editorials

Lab assistants can help avoid problems

The recent reports of computer crashes at labs across campus indicate a troubling trend — one that members of Computer Services needs to address.

Some may choose to call the trend computer illiteracy, but anyone who has even casually glanced at a YSU billing statement sees that part of their hefty payments to this university goes toward computer access and lab fees.

This is why Help Desk Manager Mike Hrishenko is right on in his vow to address the reported problems at Bytes 'N' Pieces, and this is why he must not stop there.

There is no way to compensate a student who has lost an important term paper or document on a university lab computer. But there is a way to guarantee expected customer service and ensure that all users can do the basics they know how to do on their home computers.

Some have said that "multi-tasking" has caused some of the reported problems. Well, some of us here, until now, thought "multi-tasking" was a term related to on-the-job work — as in the process of doing more than one thing at a time.

This confusion would simply be avoided by a simple note advising users against using eight desktop programs at one time.

Another possibility is that some students don't know which buttons to push when they receive certain error messages. This is another problem that easily could be avoided by signage.

When you think about it, some students might not want to ask the lab assistants for help for fear of being mistaken as a computer illiterate. We're sure between lab assistants and other Computer Services employees, signage could be created to better inform confused students.

The fact is, not everyone is a computer genius. Even in this day of high technology, some students — especially in such an economically depressed town — may not have had the fortune of working on a PC since middle school.

Further, not everyone has taken a computer science class, although it would be beneficial.

We thank Mike Hrishenko and his team of technicians for their willingness to correct a problem that, however small or personal it seems, is a terrible frustration for many.

We hope they are also willing to go a little further — to take a few easy steps to make the computer and lab fees well worth it.

McFadden, Sweet deserve praise for fund raising

We have spent considerable time on this page criticizing the Sweet administration for its decisions at the expense of students in times of financial crisis.

But we also believe in giving credit where credit is due, and last week David Sweet put his money where his mouth was. Literally.

The university president announced the university had just about matched 20 percent of his goal — in about one month — of raising \$1 million in scholarship funds for next academic year.

The gifts, which total \$177,000, show that our university officials do have the power to raise significant funds to benefit students.

Also deserving of credit are Development Director Paul McFadden and his assistants. McFadden has been an enthusiastic champion of outside benevolence, and last week, after the \$177,000 in gifts was announced, McFadden vowed that he was n't done yet.

We hope not. And if McFadden and Sweet continue this pace, the \$1 million can be reached by the end of August.

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'Don't look at me, I only work here'



A ballad of student complacency

BETWEEN THE LINES

By Henry Gomez



I wasn't invited to last week's leadership retreat.

And while I was a tad disappointed not to be invited to cavort with some of this campus' finest student leaders, I can't say that I'm surprised.

In all truthfulness, a leadership retreat probably is not the appropriate forum for me. These student organization leaders make their decisions and spread their influence at meetings. I make my decisions in a newsroom, and any influence I bear (allow me a happy thought) I spread on this page.

Yet as I read Alicia Houston's story Thursday about this semester's retreat, my ego got the best of me and I wondered if my invitation had been lost in interoffice mail.

Oh well. I admit, I'm not really disappointed. After all, last August when I addressed a Chestnut Room full of student leaders, I think I more than upset them with my plea for them to take a more vocal stance on tuition and diversity.

So they obviously remembered the

angry Jambar editor who told them to stop worrying so much about themselves. But apparently they thought I was wrong and figured complacency and apathy was the best way to respond.

Honestly, have you seen any major changes in student behavior since August? I haven't.

This year's Student Government Association, after some heavy prodding in this space, and the space to its left, has undertaken some projects beneficial to students and the campus community. Its action on domestic partners was admirable. Their critical questioning of University President David Sweet during financial hardship was needed.

And the idea of student forums may actually work.

But SGA is doing what any SGA should do. Unfortunately, previous bodies did little to change student life. So, compliments to President Jeff Parks for getting SGA back on track, even if it is his job.

The only other exception is the Youngstown State Peace Action Network. The only thing disturbing about it is its size. No students other than those in YSPAN stood up for you when trustees raised your tuition, when Sweet backtracked on diversity or when the president and all his administrators received lush pay raises.

They also are raising their voice against the impending war with Iraq.

So aside from two student groups — one of which is just doing its job — very few of our many student organizations have come together for the greater good.

They shy away from these hot-button administration issues and stick to the things they know best: cancer awareness, guest speakers and socialization.

Now that is not to belittle these students for their involvement. Cancer awareness, for sure, is an important and noble thing to pursue.

But the one quote that has stuck with me all year is one from Sweet when I interviewed him in August. He said the collective voice of the students would be strong. But no group of student leaders has petitioned our legislators and the governor to do everything they can to protect higher education.

If the Greeks spent half as much time and energy lobbying for students as they do throwing keg and theme parties, Bob Taft might be pledging — to hand more money YSU's way.

But it's not just the Greeks. I pick on them because they offer the best imagery. Where are all the curricular and extra-curricular groups that could stand to lose a substantial amount of money if budget cuts snowball?

For as much time as I — and everyone else — single out Dr. Sweet for many of our problems, perhaps it's time to look at ourselves. We are students at a public university.

The trustees and president are here to serve us. Until they hear from more than just a few students, it will be business as usual.

Call Henry Gomez at (330) 941-1991.

Letters to the Editor

Editor:

I am writing in response to last Thursday's Letter to the Editor, written by Bytes 'N' Pieces supervisor, Jennifer Dy. The letter was written in response to an earlier piece written by Jambar News Reporter, Rebecca Marquis, concerning the reliability of the computers housed in Kilcawley. I have several things to say regarding this issue:

First of all, I think Ms. Dy's letter was written in very poor taste. I would even go so far as to say it was unprofessional, childish, and most importantly — it flirts dangerously with libel.

As an employee of Bytes 'N' Pieces, Jennifer Dy is a direct representative of the business which employs her. Rather than addressing the issues brought forth by the original Jambar article, Ms. Dy chose to personally attack both Marquis, who penned the article, and Christa Natoli, one of our Student Government reps, who had experienced computer problems in the Bytes lab.

As the SUPERVISOR of Bytes 'N' Pieces, one would have expected Jennifer Dy to act in accordance with the university's

high standards of helpfulness and customer satisfaction.

Instead, she blamed the unsatisfied patrons of the Bytes lab of overloading the computers by multitasking. She even went so far as to call Natoli, a student who lost a remarkable amount of work when her computer in the Bytes lab froze up, an "illiterate...idiot." She also took issue with Marquis, saying that her reporting was "tepid" and "pathetic."

She even made a few suggestions for some "real news" that the Jambar might want to report on.

I'll say this much — thank you very much, Jen, for giving the Jambar some real news to print. I am quite certain that everyone who read your letter last week and now sits to read this will be pleased to learn that the Bytes lab accepts no responsibility for its inadequacies, publicly mocks and blames its patrons, and most importantly — charges for services rendered unreliable.

Natoli did her job by bringing this issue into public light, and Marquis did her job by reporting on the assignment she had been given. I think its about time you start doing your job, or for your employers to find someone else who can.

Nicole Young
Junior, Psychology and Religious Studies

Editor:

As a student at YSU, I have come to accept that there is not adequate parking. This is a fact, and I know this.

I come to school early so I can circle the deck looking for a spot. I am not alone. Today this was made very apparent to me when I was stuck in stopped traffic in the Lincoln deck for 20 minutes.

As it turns out, the top levels had been closed, presumably because they had not been plowed. While this may only seem like a small inconvenience, the real problem is that no one closed the deck.

In the entire time that traffic stood still while I was inside the deck, no one from parking services thought to put up the "Lot

Full" sign and stop it. By the time I got out and went to Wick to find a spot, it wasn't worth going to class, and I am certain that the people who were still entering the deck when I left didn't make their either.

I've accepted the fact that I have to pay too much to park. I have also accepted the fact that it is nearly impossible to find a parking spot on most days. However, I find it hard to swallow that a lot of people were kept from classes, or made to be very late, because no one bothered stop us from getting stuck in a traffic jam in a parking deck.

This concludes my rant.

Kevin Sturdevant
Senior, English

Actress Garofalo at war with media

By HOWARD KURTZ
The Washington Post

Janeane Garofalo says she knows why Fox, CNN, MSNBC and "Good Morning America" have booked her to argue against war with Iraq.

"They have actors on so they can marginalize the movement," the stand-up comic says. "It's much easier to toss it off as some bizarre, unintelligent special-interest group. If you're an actor who is pro-war, you're a hero. If you're an actor who's against the war, you're suspect. You must have a weird angle or you just hate George Bush."

The woman who once plied her trade on "The Larry Sanders Show," "Saturday Night Live" and such movies as "Reality Bites" has been all over the tube lately, arguing that the Bush administration is stampeding the country into a misguided war. And the experience has convinced her that major news organizations are unfair to liberal activists, especially of the celebrity stripe.

"I'm being treated like a child, and that's how I think the American people are being treated by their media," Garofalo says. Entertainers must brave a certain degree of ridicule when they waltz into the public policy arena, whether it's Sean Penn going to Baghdad or Leonardo DiCaprio pitching Earth Day. They are, after all, using their fame to be heard in a way that would be impossible if they couldn't make people laugh or cry. Why, they are asked by the same programs that invited them on, should anyone care what you think?

But Garofalo, who works with the group Win Without War, says the media are not only

condescending but suggest she doesn't care about the country.

CNN's Leon Harris wondered about her reaction to critics who say that she and her fellow activists "aren't patriotic Americans."

ABC's Robin Roberts asked: "Do you feel at all a risk with your career, especially after September 11th, that anything that you do is considered unpatriotic?"

CNN's Connie Chung asked about American soldiers: "Don't you feel a bit of responsibility in the sense of being supportive of them?"

That question, says Garofalo, "was so silly that it actually made me flum-



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moxed. If you are in the antiwar movement, you obviously don't want the troops to be hurt."

How did the 38-year-old actress drift into politics? "Now that I'm sober I watch a lot of news," she says, quickly adding that critics will snort: "See, she had a drinking problem! I knew she was crazy!"

She leaves her indictment with periodic punch lines, saying reporters covering demonstrations "always interview the guy who says, 'The government has put a microchip in your dental fillings.' ... It's disgusting that we know more about Winona Ryder's trial than we do about the Iraqi people."

But Garofalo isn't kidding when it comes to her disdain for the media: "These same corporate entities have an interest in war, have an interest in profiting from war. They represent corporate America. Corporate America dictates the news we are getting."

Does she really believe that anchors and correspondents are just following company orders? Too many, she says, "are willing to be a mouthpiece for the establishment and for White House propaganda."

While Garofalo believes Saddam Hussein is a menace — but that U.N. weapons inspectors should be given more time — she also tosses around the word "imperialism" and declares that "this is a manufactured conflict for the sake of geopolitical dominance in the area."

"There is no evidence of weapons of mass destruction. You never even get that idea floated in the mainstream media. If you bring it up, they hate the messenger. You've ruined everyone's good time."

What bugs the New Yorker most of all is when interviewers question whether she's torpedoing her career.

"You can't force people to cast you or become younger or more popular. What I do have is control over my mind, my life and my participation in current events. I won't stick my head in the sand and have history roll right over me. I refuse to allow my government and the mainstream media to bully me into accepting a war that is immoral and illegal. If it means people make fun of me or think I'm a jerk, or I lose a job here and there, that means nothing to me."

Hip-huggers present new health problems

Trendy pants are becoming a health concern for women doctors say.

By CHERYL LU-LEIN
The Baltimore Sun

There is a new menace out there to women and girls, a thing of peril that can pinch nerves, cause pain and, if ignored, bring about permanent numbness. It's alarming enough that a Canadian doctor has chosen to speak out about its hazards before more women are affected.

This threat to female health? Hip-hugging pants.

Malvinder S. Parmar, medical director of the Timmins and District Hospital in Ontario, recently wrote a letter to the Canadian Medical Association Journal warning that wearing tight, low-rise pants a la pop starlets Britney Spears and Christina Aguilera can pinch the lateral femoral cutaneous nerve, located at the hip.

"I saw three patients in succession, one who thought she had multiple sclerosis because of the symptoms," Parmar said, adding that all three reported feeling numbness, burning or tingling sensations at the thighs.

After examining the patients — who were between 22 and 35 — Parmar deter-

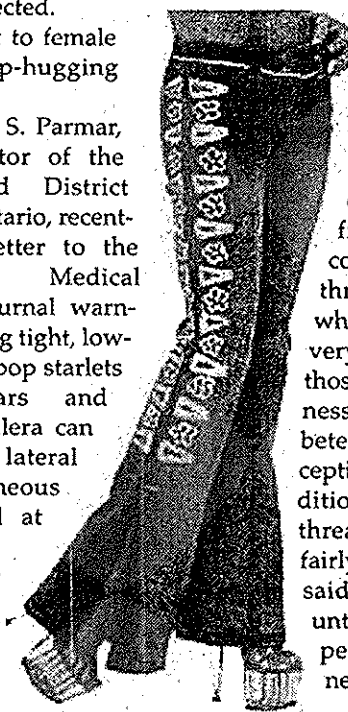
mined that they suffered from a condition known as meralgia paresthetica, which can be caused by backpacks, seatbelts, tight pants and police officers' gun belts. When Parmar discovered that his three patients, who were mildly obese, all wore tight hip-huggers, he immediately instructed them to hang up their pants and wear loose clothing until the pain subsided.

"I wrote this letter because I thought it was a good reminder for women because there may be more cases out there, especially now that hip-huggers are back in fashion," Parmar said.

Charlene E. Hafer-Macko, assistant professor of neurology at the University of Maryland School of Medicine, confirmed that the condition is a real threat for women who regularly wear very tight pants, and those with certain illnesses such as diabetes are more susceptible to it. The condition is not life-threatening and is fairly uncommon, she said. But if left untreated, she said, permanent numbness could set in.

"It goes away on its own," she said. "The best thing to treat it is to remove whatever is compressing the nerve."

And for many women, in the case of hip-huggers, that serves as good fashion advice as well.



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society is. [The participants] must work together to succeed in this game.

The keynote speaker for this year's conference was Mike Kervin, associate director of Residential Life, Facilities and Operations at South Dakota State University in Brookings, S.D.

Kervin encouraged the RAs to keep their sense of humor when dealing with issues that arise in their residence halls, but to be mindful to keep their humor tactful and respectful to everyone.

Angels for Animals was chosen as this year's philanthropy for NEOHO. It is a non-profit educational organization aimed at informing the public of the overpopulation and abuse of domestic animals.

Angels for Animals is housed in Canfield at Angel Place, a center for education pertaining to the care of domestic animals and the responsibility of pet ownership.

Participants at the conference could donate money or purchase a T-shirt to help support Angels for Animals.

Currently, YSU has five residence halls that house about 950

students with 25 resident assistants.

Sophomore Michael Taylor said he felt the conference was educational and a good way to gather new ideas from other resident assistants from other schools.

Taylor, who is a student resident assistant at Lyden House, attended the Ethnic Enclave program at the conference, which was geared toward resident assistants of color.

"YSU is adjusting to diversity, and it is starting with housing," he said. "It is good to see other minorities as resident assistants. We have to make sure that we do a good job because we do make a big difference."

Another participant of the Ethnic Enclave program, which later won an award for the best program in the fourth programming session, was Nicole Bell, a junior business marketing and management student at Baldwin Wallace College.

Bell said she became a resident assistant because they receive a stipend and free room and board and to meet new people.

This year was Bell's first time attending the conference. Despite rumors that the conference would be a boring experience, Bell said she enjoyed the programs she attended and gained new ideas from other resident assistants.

This year's conference had a Monopoly theme, which Vice President for Student Affairs Cynthia Anderson pointed out was very appropriate for the student resident assistants.

"Monopoly is a game of survival," she said. "It forces its players to make decisions and holds players accountable for those decisions."

Harry Meyer, Lyden House coordinator, said YSU had not hosted the conference in about seven years and was pleased with the attendance.

Meyer said he hoped participants left with new ways of looking at issues they face as resident assistants.

Next year's NEOHO conference will be held at the University of Akron.

Call Alicia Houston at (330) 941-1991.

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Best in Breed titles and 6 Best in Field.

The accumulation of all those wins earned two-and-a-half-year-old Tempest the national title, O'Neill explained as he pointed to the shrine of awards and pictures he had hanging on his office wall.

"She's like a kid to me," he said. "It's like the movie 'Best in Show.' I like that movie."

"I don't think she's spoiled, but she lives a good life," O'Neill added.

Although O'Neill and his wife, Wilma, a puppy trainer at Youngstown All-Breed, have had to travel all over the country to competitions, he said it's not hard to fit in with his job at YSU.

"We've been to Indiana, New York state, South Carolina and Ohio," he said. "It's a weekend thing, and it's a break from the job to go and course the dog."

He said that when a dog competes in coursing it does not require as much training as show dogs.

"It's natural for dogs to run after a moving object," he said. "They love [to run], it's not something that has to be learned."

Tempest has been competing since she was six months old, and O'Neill did say that he and his wife had to move to find land they could fence in so Tempest could run and build muscle.

"She runs everyday, and if it's cold we put a coat on her."

Tempest, who O'Neill bred, is not the only dog he has taken to competition. O'Neill also owned and competed with the dog's mother, Isis, and said he has been involved with competing for about six years.

Also, Tempest's father, Excalibur, was the No. 1 Ridgeback in 2002.

The O'Neills also own a Welsh Corgi named Daisy that does not compete but chases Tempest around all the time.

"We think of [Daisy] as a coach," O'Neill said.

Some of the other breeds of site hounds Tempest runs against in competition include Greyhounds, Afghans, Whippets, Pharaoh hounds, Irish Wolfhounds and Borzois.

O'Neill said Tempest will be competing again in the spring.

"She'll probably run until she's about 5 or 6 years old," he said. "But not at this level, she's at a very high level."

He said dogs slow down and get bored after a while, but right now Tempest "loves to course and chase the bunny."

"She had a great year last year ... they'll never be able to take [that] away."

Call Jami Boninsegna at (330) 941-1913.

2003-2004 Financial Aid Awareness Week

Stop by one of our tables for information on financial aid for the 2003-2004 academic year. The priority deadline to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Renewal FAFSA or FAFSA on the Web and the Institutional Aid Application is February 15, 2003

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Monday, January 27, 2003	10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	•Kilcawley Center - 1st floor across from bank •Bliss Hall - Lobby
Tuesday, January 28, 2003	10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	•Kilcawley Center - 1st floor across from bank •Williamson Hall - Lobby
Wednesday, January 29, 2003	10 a.m. - 3 p.m. 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	•Kilcawley Center - 1st floor across from bank •Moser Hall - Lobby •Maag Library - 1st floor Main Lobby
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Campus Calendar

Wednesday: YSU InterVarsity Christian Fellowship meets Wednesdays in Kilcawley at 12:30 pm. See the Kilcawley list for room. Contact Dr. Phil Munro for more information, 330-941-1748, PcMunro@cc.ysu.edu.

Thursday: The History Club will meet at 1 p.m. in Room 2036, Kilcawley Center. Dr. Robert McLain, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, will talk about masculinity and the British Empire. The public is invited. Please feel free to bring a lunch.

Notices:

The Greater Youngstown Area Parliamentary Law Unit will meet on Wednesday, January 29, 2003 at 365 McClurg Rd. (across from the Ice Zone) in Boardman, Ohio. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. followed by a workshop/lesson. New members are always welcome. The workshop/lesson is free and open to anyone interested in learning parliamentary procedure and effective meeting leadership. Members and guests will learn how to create a meeting agenda. The Youngstown Unit is affiliated with the National Association of Parliamentarians and the Ohio Association of Parliamentarians. For more information call 330-965-0982.

Attention Social Work Students: Tuesday, February 11, 2003 at 5 p.m. is the final day to sign up for admission to the Social Work Program. If you are a pre-social work major intending to enroll in Social Work Methods I (SCWK 3736) for Summer or Fall Semester 2003, you must complete an admissions application and sign up on the roster posted outside Cushwa Hall, Room 303A. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Sheward, Department Secretary, at (330) 941-1598.

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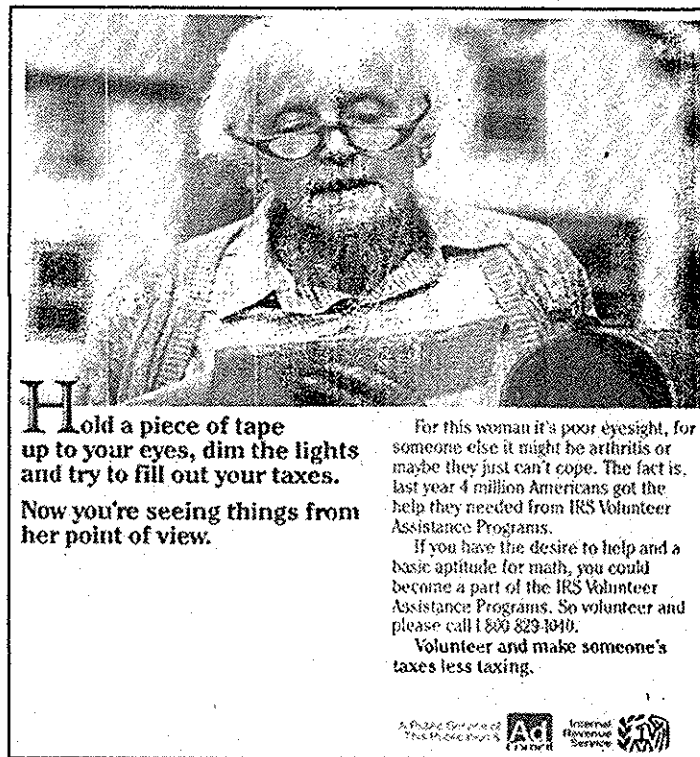
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Road trip leaves Pens battered D-termined Bucs win first Super Bowl

By JOE SIMON
The Jambar

The women's basketball team is fighting through adversity and a rigorous six-day road trip.

Despite having five different players score in double figures the team dropped a hard fought battle against Illinois-Chicago 76-60, this Saturday in the windy city.

Throughout the first half, the teams went back and forth, battling through 11 lead changes and nine ties. At the half, the team only trailed by a single basket at 40-38. Yet the Flames, currently second in the Horizon League, had too much firepower and went on a 12-0 run early in the second half to put the game out of reach.

After the game, head coach Ed DiGregorio said the team played hard but cited second chance opportunities and the Flames team speed as reasons for the loss.

"Our kids played very hard, but UIC was just too quick for us," said DiGregorio. "We did not rebound very well today and gave them too many second chance points. That was the difference in the ball game."

It was the second time this season the Penguins had five players in double figures, however, the first time produced the team's first division win of the season, a 72-62 victory over Butler.

In the first game of the road trip, the team's longest of the season, the Penguins (4-13 overall and 1-6 in the Horizon League) lost to Detroit 69-58. This was the team's first game since the unfortunate news that sophomore Barb Fabianova will miss the rest of the season after tearing the anterior cruciate and medial collateral ligaments in her right knee.

Fabianova is the third player to suffer a season ending injury or illness. Prior to the season, the team learned that junior guard Cathy Hanek would miss the entire season after being diagnosed with ankylosing spondylitis, an inflammatory arthritis.

Hanek, deemed the team's best all-around player by coach DiGregorio, is one of only two upperclassmen on the team and had appeared in 27 games last year, including 20 starts.

Freshman guard Ashlee Russo, who played in just four games before her injury, is out due to persistent soreness after preseason ankle surgery.

Before her injury, Fabianova had appeared in 13 games for the Lady Pens, a starter in five. She shot 37 percent from 3-point range, averaged six points, and just under three assists a game.

DiGregorio said Fabianova's injury was a "big loss" for the team and that they would desperately miss her talent on the floor.

With the collection of injuries hampering the team and opposing a



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HOOP IT UP: Junior Jessica Forsythe (above) passes off to a teammate, while sophomore Jessica Olmsted (left) commands the court. The Lady Penguins will host Wright State 7p.m. Saturday in Beeghly Center.

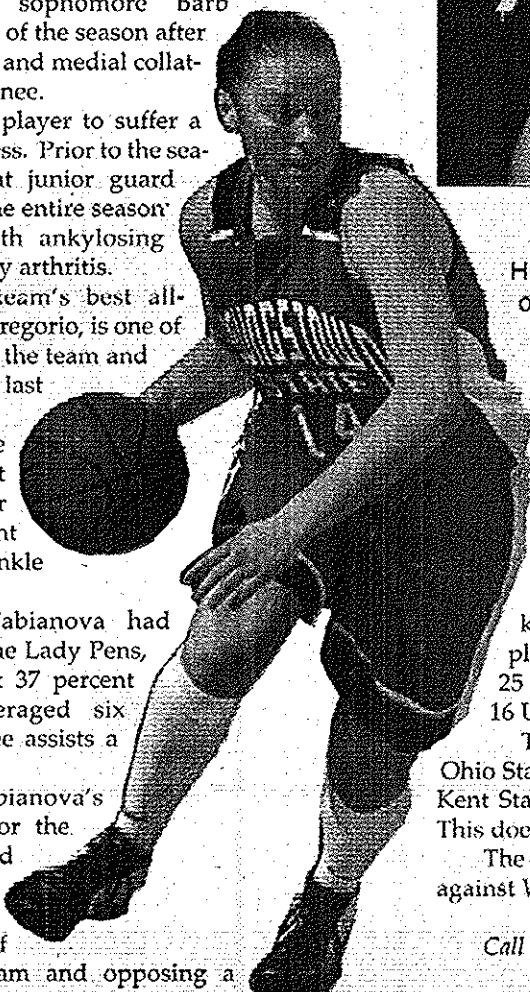
much tougher schedule than in years past, the Penguins and DiGregorio are on the brink of their third straight losing season. This is something that has never occurred in DiGregorio's 20-year reign atop Penguin basketball.

While that may sound like a tough pill to swallow, keep in mind that the women's basketball team has played four teams that, at one time, were ranked in the top 25 or received votes. Most recently, the Penguins lost to no. 16 UW-Green Bay, 95-53.

They have also faced no. 17 Vanderbilt University, The Ohio State University, which made an appearance at no. 23, and Kent State University, which received votes earlier this season. This doesn't include their arduous Horizon League schedule.

The team will host their next home game at 7 p.m. on Feb. 1 against Wright State University.

Call Joe Simon at (330) 941-3758.



Robic hopes tide changes for squad

The YSU men's basketball team lost two close contests to the Horizon League division co-leaders.

By JOE SIMON
The Jambar

Despite a valiant effort against another top-notch opponent, the YSU men's basketball team suffered a heart wrenching 78-76 loss this Saturday to the University of Illinois-Chicago Flames.

The team has played the co-leaders of the conference on consecutive Saturdays and has been able to hold its own both times.

Last weekend the up and coming Penguins endured a 64-60 loss to Butler, tied with UIC for the conference lead, and this week the Flames' Cedrick Banks had a little too much fire power for the Penguins to conquer.

With the Penguins leading by one, Banks hit the game winning 3-pointer in front of 3,079 fans at the Beeghly Center.

While YSU head coach John Robic was understandably distraught after the loss, he remains optimistic about the team's progress.

"The encouraging thing is, there's no comparison to the way that I feel this year than how I did last year," said Robic. "My kids deserve better than this and I'm going to do everything I can to help them win."

Robic and the Penguins' bench were

"My kids deserve better than this and I'm going to do everything I can to help them win."



— JOHN ROBIC
YSU men's basketball head coach

enthusiastic throughout the game, once even receiving a technical foul for an animated celebration after a 3-point.

Despite an injury to his

ankle, junior forward Tejay Anderson had a career day, leading the team with 14 rebounds and a career-high 22 points. Anderson was 6-11 from the field and 10-14 from the line, sinking his first 10 foul shots.

Anderson was in obvious pain throughout the game, many times hobbling off the floor just to come back moments later, yet he still managed to lead the team in minutes with 37.

Coach Robic noticed the gritty performance of Anderson and said he needs to continue his "above-the-rim" play.

"That's the best [Anderson's] played in three years," said Robic. "He needs to assert himself that way every game."

However, Anderson wasn't the only one with a career day.

Sophomore sensation Doug Underwood led the team with a career-high 26 points, including 6-7 from 3-point range. Underwood, the team's leading scorer, has a silky smooth touch to his jump shot and with his performance on Saturday moved into the top 10 in scoring in the Horizon League, averaging nearly 14 points a game.

Banks, the number two scorer in the Horizon League — averaging 19.7 points per game — led both teams with 29 points.

Coach Robic credited Doug's precision shooting to a good early morning shoot around, saying, "You're going to play as you prepare, and [Underwood] prepared to win today."

Underwood has drastically improved his game from last year, increasing his 3-point percentage from .276 to his current .433, good for sixth best in the league, and his field goal percentage has jumped from .364 to .429.

The men are now 6-11 overall and 2-5 in the Horizon League. Robic said the team could not afford another hangover like it experienced after the Butler loss last weekend, scoring just 49 points in their next game against Detroit.

The team finishes up its three game home stand tomorrow at 7 p.m. against University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.

Call Joe Simon at (330) 941-3758.

By JOE SIMON
The Jambar

I think we've all heard it before.

It's been said for years and by now most just think of it as another cliché that some ancient football coach came up with.

It's the old saying that "offense wins games, but defense wins championships."

While it may sound rather tedious, Sunday was another instance where the old proverb proved to be true.

It was supposed to be a classic match-up, for the first time in Super Bowl history, the no. 1 ranked offense faced the no. 1 ranked defense. Yet the highly touted Super Bowl turned into an all out white-wash.

The Buccaneers' malicious defense beleaguered NFL-MVP Rich Gannon, forcing him to throw five interceptions, three returned for touchdowns — Gannon had just 10 interceptions the entire regular season.

The Raiders, a team that seemed to be getting better with age, are filled with savvy veterans — five starters over

the age of 35 — that had all, except for Gannon, been to the big game before.

Their leadership and experience had guided the team into their first Super Bowl appearance since the early 80s, when the Raiders dominated the league — compiling three Super Bowl rings in just seven years.

Yet the age and savvy that was supposed to outwit the aggressive Buccaneers defense did nothing of the sort.

The outspoken and volatile Buccaneers over-matched the prehistoric Raiders and won their very first Super Bowl. The Bucs' defense harassed Gannon all night long, forcing him into a number of miscues.

With Gannon under constant pressure, he had to hurry his throws and make passes on the run. This caused Gannon's normally accurate passes to be off the mark, resulting in interceptions and incompletions.

Despite a late rally, the high-powered Raider's offense was stifled throughout the game by the speed and aggressiveness of the Buc's defense — only amassing 62 total yards in the first half.

The old saying was also supported last year, when it was the Patriots and their bruising defense winning the Super Bowl and not the Ram's high-octane offense. The year before it was the Baltimore Ravens' no. 1 defense that helped crush the Giants, keeping them from scoring an offensive touchdown.

While the Rams did win against the Titans a few years ago, the offense didn't boast big numbers and they also had the no. 2 defense in the league.

Also keep in mind that the game came down to a defensive stop on the goal line as time ran out.

While it may seem worn down it's the truth — defense does win championships. This year, although the Raiders offense was all that was talked about during the week, it was the defense that needed to make plays.

There were a number of instances during the game, where if the Raiders' defense was able to stop the Bucs' and force a punt, the offense may have been able to string together a drive and possibly tire the Bucs relentless defense.

Or, maybe a big play on special teams could have occurred. Yet, the Raiders were incapable of doing so and the result was a 48-21 thrashing.

Last week in the AFC Championship game the Titans Eddie George was running freely before the Titans fell behind to the point where they had to throw the ball every play. Sunday the Raiders allowed 365 total yards including 124 yards to Buc's running back, Michael Pittman, he had not broke the 100 yard barrier all year.

The Raiders also put absolutely no pressure on Buc's quarterback Brad Johnson, who has shown for years that he cannot scramble or make accurate throws under pressure. Maybe it was because they were so concerned with Pittman galloping through gaping holes.

Regardless, the bottom line is that while offense received all the publicity during the week prior to the Super Bowl, the defense of the Raiders was an obvious area of concern that many experts chose to overlook.

It's becoming more and more apparent that to win in the NFL and when I say win, I mean win it all, you must have a reliable and consistent defense — something the Raiders lacked and the Buc's owned.

Maybe if Courney Brown could ever emerge from his shell, the Browns could actually put together a strong defense and go deep into the playoffs.

Instead, they were embarrassed by a second rate quarterback, Tommy Maddox, and were sitting at home like myself watching others bask in Super Bowl glory... Oops, sorry I must have been daydreaming again.

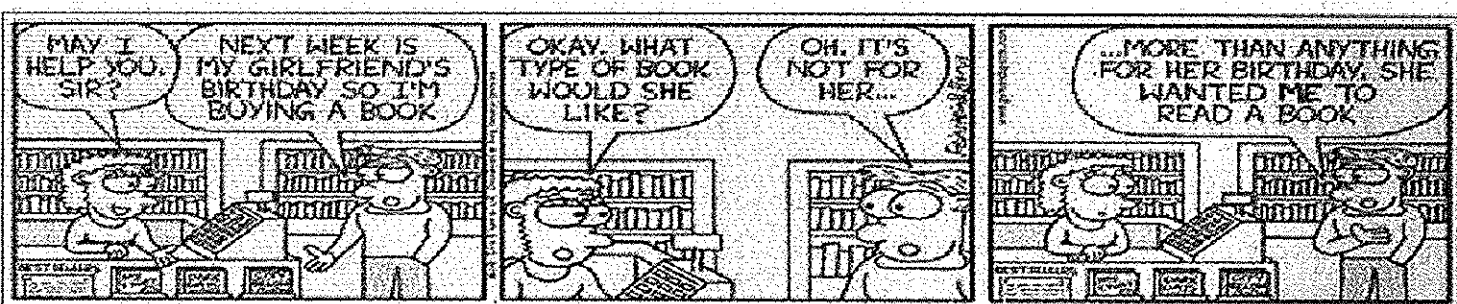
Anyway, the Raiders may have been a little too concerned with the Buc's defense, when they should have been worrying about their own. While age may be good for a fine wine, defense is what gets it done in the NFL.

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Track and Field - Kurt Michaelis earned 12 points on two third-place finishes while Emily Schnitkey placed fifth in two events to earn eight points to lead the Youngstown State men's and women's track team at the Central Collegiate Championships on Saturday and Sunday at Kent State.

Michaelis was just one second off the school record in the 800-meter run (1:51.78) to finish third and also placed third in the mile (4:11.03). Schnitkey also nearly broke a school mark with a fifth-place time of 5:05.19 in the mile and added a fifth-place finish in the 3,000 (10:25.24). source:ysu.edu/sports



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