

Blizzard brings rare campus snow day

By HENRY GOMEZ &
JAMI BONINSEGNA
The Jambar

It was just after 11 a.m., and Dennis Pautot was searching for an open computer lab and an open restaurant.

Dressed in layers and smoking a cigarette, Pautot had been trudging down the snow-covered streets of Youngstown for more than four hours but had yet to finish his homework and yet to eat. "I've been on campus

"I've been on campus since 7, and I've been trying to get into a computer lab to do some of my work."

— DENNIS PAUTOT
Freshman

since 7," the freshman said as he walked down the middle of a snow-packed Elm Street near Mr. Hero. "And I've been trying to get into a computer lab to do some of my work."

University President David Sweet canceled classes

Monday, and many downtown eateries were closed after a fierce blizzard ripped through the Midwest. The winter storm, which closed airports on the East Coast and buried the nation's capitol, left treacherous roadways in the

Mahoning Valley.

Campus offices and computer labs were closed until noon, and YSU Police advised students early in the day to stay indoors.

That wasn't a problem for students living in Weller House. A massive snow drift blocked the dormitory's back door, and residents tried unsuccessfully to make it outside.

A YSU Police dispatcher advised students early Monday to not venture out-

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SCRAPE: Senior Katie Fleming cleans off her friend's car Monday in a residence hall lot near Cafaro House.

Valley Rally message: Give peace a chance

By HEATHER SHAW
The Jambar

With homemade cardboard signs, American flags, flowers and anti-war banners, valley citizens braved the 20-degree weather to demonstrate their anxieties about a possible war with Iraq.



HARVER

About 300 people gathered around the Thomas D. Lambros Federal Building on Saturday morning for the Valley Rally.

Emily Schaff, event organizer, said she believes the public's opinion can help make a difference.

"I believe and hope that international and local protests such as ours may have the effect of at least slowing down the Bush administration in its determination to invade Iraq," Schaff said.

A rendition of "This Land is Our Land" followed by the pledge of allegiance warmed up the crowd and kicked off the rally. Gabriel Palmer-Fernandez, a YSU professor of philosophy and religious studies, opened the rally by involving the crowd in a chant for peace.

"What does Youngstown have in common with the rest of the world?" he asked. "We are one of 550 cities nationwide protesting a war against Iraq. We are here for peace!"

Mothers, daughters, fathers, sisters, brothers, strangers and even family pets came together to spread the same message: war is not the answer. In support of peace, many valley politicians and activists offered their thoughts on why war can wait.

State Sen. Marc Dann, D-Liberty, said it was nice to see such diversity at the rally and when dealing with war, time and patience may be the answer.

"We should give diplomacy a chance before we go to war," Dann said.

State Sen. Bob Hagan, D-Youngstown, also spoke on the importance of peace.

"Are our children any better than the children of Iraq?" Hagan asked. "Who will fight this war? Bush's daughters will not fight this war, it will be our sons and daughters who will fight this war. Innocent lives will be lost."

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PEACEFUL MELODIES:

Above, YSU senior Khaled Tabarra and friend Brendan Gauntner lead some 300 protesters Saturday at the Valley Rally against war in downtown Youngstown. The Austintown duo sang the John Lennon hits "Give Peace A Chance" and "Imagine."

At right, protesters hold signs denouncing military action against Iraq. Other signs were more vulgar.



War talk, gas prices rise with concern

By LA'EL HUGHES
The Jambar

Many customers of gasoline stations in the Mahoning Valley fear a war with Iraq would limit their mobility as gas prices continue to climb.

As U.S. troops prepare for a potential showdown with Saddam Hussein, several local residents said they are paying close attention to their local gas stations, hoping a ride to the grocery store will not become a costly expense.

Tamara Duncan, a 23-year-old Liberty mother of three, pulled up to a Belmont Avenue BP station in a 2002 plum burgundy Trailblazer, to put gas in her sports utility vehicle on the way to Giant Eagle in Boardman. She said she has been watching the news and has noticed the increase in gas prices and has already felt "a significant drain" in her wallet.

"My husband and I purchased this truck last year. I have three children and a bigger vehicle was necessary," Duncan said.

"Though I was paying \$10 to \$15 to fill up my old Malibu, I knew I wouldn't be getting as many miles to the gallon as I did before. I now pay almost twice that to fill up my truck, but this war will cause a strain. I'm already paying 30 cents more per gallon."

Duncan said she felt gas prices could easily get out of hand and hopes she doesn't find herself paying more than \$100 per week just for gas.

Terry Allen, manager of the Mahoning Avenue Sheetz in Austintown, said his gas prices are not "indicative of what is going on in the community or anywhere else." Allen said the threat of a possible war with Iraq has no effect on how high the prices at his gas station may go.

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Political science major prepares for deployment call

By HENRY GOMEZ
The Jambar

On a cold, windy Thursday night, Scott DeNicholas received the first of three calls that already have sparked a



DeNICHOLAS

flurry of emotions for him, his family and his friends.

Friday morning, DeNicholas, a YSU political science major, sat in Peaberry's Café with a friend. Dressed in fatigues, he was relaxed as he spoke of the directions he received the night before and the uncertainty that lay

ahead.

Pfc. Scott DeNicholas is one step closer to war.

"I'm scared, I'm nervous, I'm excited, I'm upset all in one," the 21-year-old Howland man said. "There's really no way to explain it."

DeNicholas is a member of the

347th Quartermaster Army Reserves based in Farrell, Pa. He began his military service almost four years ago, when he enlisted for active duty. Last summer, he entered the reserves program so he could enroll at YSU.

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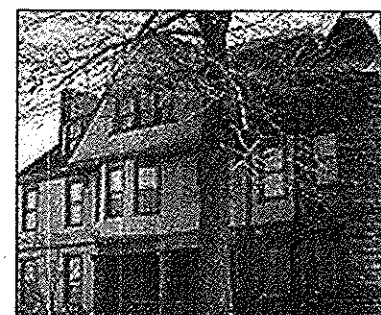


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side. That, however, did not stop senior Katie Fleming, a Cafaro House resident, and her friends from venturing out of the city.

"We're going to Subway," Fleming said as she scraped off her friend's car in a parking lot near the Madison Avenue dormitories.

By noon, however, YSU Police Sgt. Michael Cretella said students could roam campus so long as they were cautious.

"It's not that cold, just dress appropriately," Cretella said.

Initially, university officials had planned to resume classes at noon Monday, but continued snowfall and area road conditions led Sweet to issue a full cancellation. Walt

Ulbricht, executive director of Marketing and Communications, said the president consulted with other university officials and monitored weather reports.

"The president consulted with people who are a part of the Facilities department, including its director, John Hyden," Ulbricht said. "They were speaking as early as four this morning."

Ulbricht said Sweet decided at 5:45 a.m. to delay classes but gave up several hours later when road crews had failed to plow all the city streets and parking lots. Conditions in neighboring areas were also considered, Ulbricht said.

All staff was expected to report to campus at noon. YSU was not the only Ohio

college closed Monday. The storm also forced closings at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio University in Athens, University of Akron and all Kent State branches.

Elsewhere in the Mahoning Valley, dispatchers for the Ohio State Highway Patrol, Canfield post reported minor incidents, most stemming from cars slipping and sliding on roads.

"There were some slides and people getting their cars stuck," OSP dispatcher Sherry Smith said. "We've been assisting with that."

The weather also caused a six-car pileup on Interstate 680 near South Avenue in Youngstown. The crash forced Youngstown Police to close that section of 680, YPD super-

visor Brandy Vizi said.

"There have not been any fatalities reported, but a few minor injuries as a result of accidents," Vizi said. "There haven't been as many accidents as you'd think because lots of people are just staying off the road."

Back on campus, as Pautof search for a sandwich was going nowhere. Inner Circle was closed. So were MVR and Little Jimmy's. He wondered if Cedars was open.

"They never shut down school," he said. "We get a little bit of snow and this place shuts up like a bear trap."

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As the crowd began to cheer and once again chant for peace, Youngstown State Peace Action Network member Jacob Harver talked on the value of defending innocent lives, opposing a draft and fighting for democracy.

"We may have to deal with the cold, but we do not have to worry about bombs dropping here or having medicine, water and food," Harver said. "I oppose any draft and will not fight for oil. I will fight for freedom and democracy for all people of the world."

As cars drove by and drivers honked their horns to show their support, a local family set up a smaller rally one block away to protest the Valley Rally.

Dan Moadus, along with his wife and son, said they felt the rally was sending the wrong message.

"Right now young men and women are overseas serving their country and these people are sending the message they are fighting for a bad cause," Moadus said. "If there was a time for peace, that time has passed to protest and now it is time to take action."

YSPAN member Jesse

Bartolotta said many students on campus are in support of a war.

"In efforts to rally for peace, members of YSPAN built a shed on campus and several students chose to vandalize it," he said. "I think most students are against war but someone spray painted a message on the shed saying bomb Iraq."

Senior Khaled Tabbara, who performed several musical selections at the rally, felt the rally served a good purpose.

"A lot of people may not agree with this rally, but to me violence only breeds more violence," Tabbara said.

In effort to warm the crowd and bring the rally to an end, Tabarra and Brendan Gauntner verbally expressed their support by leading the crowd to sing an acoustic version of John Lennon's anti-war song, "Give Peace a Chance."

"One more time!" Tabarra shouted. The crowd promptly responded.

"All we are saying, is give peace a chance."

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Today's Editorials

Basketball changes must start at top

The view from the empty Beeghly Center bleachers has not been pretty this year as both basketball teams struggle to win games, let alone contend.

Thus has become a familiar story — in the last two years, especially — for both programs. It is clear that John Robic and Ed DiGregorio are failing to inspire the change required for the men and women to step up their game.

As sports boosters and Athletic Department employees scratch their heads and wonder what can be done to invigorate the basketball programs and put fans in the stands, they must look no further than the current men at the helm.

Robic's bio on the Athletic Department's Web site gushes with praise for the former U-Mass coach, who four years ago was supposed to lead the renaissance of the Penguins. It hasn't happened, as a 44-65 record shows.

"The 38-year old Robic, who was hired as the 11th head coach at Youngstown State in May 1999, has lived up to his reputation as being one of the best x-and-o coaches in the game today," his bio reads.

All those x's and o's have led Robic and his team to a disgusting 8-15 season that Robic has repeatedly said is going better than it seems. The problem is, Robic is too busy defending his job and his players that he has failed to realize his strategies aren't working.

Next comes DiGregorio, a legend of sorts in YSU sports history. With 20-plus years of coaching experience here, DiGregorio boasts an overall winning record. But as Father Time gets the best of the coach in a grueling two-on-two, the Lady Penguins continue to slip.

DiGregorio's bio states that the longtime coach has laid the foundation for winning seasons in the future. Perhaps by the time the team is ready to contend again Ron Strollo will be ready to bring in a more youthful coach who can better connect with the players.

This is not to discount DiGregorio's fine achievements. He, for sure, led the program to many victories. But with only 27 wins over the last three seasons, it is clear change is necessary.

DiGregorio's comments signify he is losing touch with the young ladies. It's time for the celebrated coach to move on.

Perhaps Strollo can find room for DiGregorio in the AD's office, maybe as an assistant. DiGregorio certainly doesn't deserve a firing, but rather a chance to slip away respectfully.

Robic, too, must be thanked for his strengths and his fire when dealing with the men — it just isn't working.

Unfortunately for these two nice guys who work hard, losing seasons beg the question of continued employment.

Scholars program deserves all the funding it can get

News that the University Scholars program could take a funding hit is saddening but all too indicative of the lean economic times YSU is facing.

We hope the president, provost and vice president for Financial Affairs can find a creative way to keep this beneficial program intact as it has served as a valuable link between the university, local high schools and high schools outside the Mahoning Valley.

Scholars take advantage of full tuition, room and board because of their outstanding high school achievements. Invitations are offered to valedictorians and student leaders with strong academic records. As a result, some of the best and brightest students in the Valley and across the country bring their skills to YSU.

Having these students here is a great asset. While the hardest part is encouraging them to stay after graduation, getting them here is half the battle.

And without a full-ride, that is pretty much impossible.

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Politics, arts bring out passion

BETWEEN THE

LINES

Henry
GOMEZ



Saturday was a banner day for downtown Youngstown.

A morning anti-war rally in front of a federal courthouse drew about 300 protesters, many of whom ate lunch and had beers at nearby restaurants.

An evening blues concert by legendary B.B. King brought hundreds more, many of whom stopped for a bite to eat or nightcap at nearby bars and restaurants.

Hey, if my parents go downtown on a Saturday night, you know it's a special occasion.

Are we, perhaps, seeing flickers of potential in downtown Youngstown?

Alright, alright. It may be premature to book U2 to play the new convocation center, but Saturday was a reminder of what this Valley's strengths and interests are. One, ironically, is politics. The other is the arts.

Despite decades of political infertility and embarrassment — thank you, Phil Chance, Jim Traficant and James Philomena — Youngstown always has had

a passionate pulse for politics. These are the people who, with gusto, voted nine times for Traficant.

Saturday's demonstration outside the courthouse was an example of how politics actually can energize the people here. Whether or not you agree with the anti-war move, the rally was peaceful. And all I could hear afterward was: "Hey, wanna go grab a beer at BW-3?"

I'm sure the managers at the Buffalo Wild Wings were thrilled. Saturday after-

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noon with a full bar? Maybe at the Boardman B-Dubbs, but downtown? Come on!

But, obviously, we can't have a demonstration every weekend downtown. We can, however, play off the political intrigue, especially post-Traficant. Voters are curious about their officials, whether they expressly show it at the polls or not.

Meet-and-greets could come back to downtown. This is the downtown that

once attracted JFK on a campaign stop.

I think more traditional meet-and-greets and forums would actually have drawing potential.

Imagine a Saturday forum where David Sweet picks the brains of each local legislator about higher education. Instead, we tend to confine these activities to working days.

They don't have to be.

Stick an elephant ear vendor on Federal Plaza and put the politicians at the podium. It just may work. People in Youngstown like to eat, too.

As for the arts, the city would be crazy not to work closer with officials at the College of Fine & Performing Arts. They plan a variety of interesting activities that, if promoted better by the city, could draw more downtown.

They also could work together to draw more national acts, like B.B. King to Powers and Stambaugh auditoriums, and someday maybe, the convocation center.

I suppose I am a bit utopic in my suggestions. It is quite idealistic to think a couple politicians and art shows are going to lead Youngstown's resurgence.

But as 300 bundled people gathered outside in the cold, bitter weather Saturday morning, I could not help but think maybe we are overlooking some of the more simplistic methods of battling apathy.

Call Henry Gomez at (330) 941-1991.

Letters to the Editor

Readers pick on Taft, question SGA rep Governor should be ashamed of his management

Editor:

I would just like to voice my opinion about our governor Mr. Bob Taft also known as "Bob Tax." I am so upset that he is using us students as a threat to the community. By saying that if we don't okay his tax increases he is going to take 40 million dollars away from public school funding.

If he is going to take any funding away from anyone, it should be from his own wallet. I would also like to know what he did with all the extra money we had when he started his term. Why doesn't he reduce the size of Ohio's government instead of reduc-

ing the size of our wallets? I guess someone didn't pay to much attention in Ethics class in College, because the only ethics he has are the ones that make him happy, forget any of the people who trusted he would actually do a good job for our communities. No surprise we were all wrong, he couldn't do it right the first time he had our money.

Sincerely,

Cristina Horkey,
Sophomore

Editor:

Well, the time for spring graduation is slowly rearing its ugly head to those of us who are participating in this yearly ritual. We will be faced with many decisions: where will I work, where will I live, will I be far from home, etc. But, the most important decision some of us will have to make is whether to attend an Ohio graduate school or an out-of-state.

Not everyone will be attending grad school, I am not even sure I will. I had my sights set on Akron, but after reading the article by La'el Hughes "Leaders oppose Taft plan" I'm pretty certain an out-of-state school may be the wisest choice.

I registered to vote too late in the year to show my opposition of Taft and his misguided beliefs that cutting education will reduce the state debt. Although I feel bad about waiting, I did voice my concerns about his record of cutting tuition. According to the article, Ohio is ranked 43rd in the nation in higher educa-

tion. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out if the brightest students attend an out-of-state school (undergrad or otherwise), more than likely, the student may not come back to the bleak and dismal job prospects Ohio has to offer. After all, there are 42 states ranked higher in education we can choose from.

Taft has hurt me and you. He has hurt Ohio and the future of my two-year old son. My wife attends a Pennsylvania nursing college because of the high costs of education in Ohio. He has lied to all of us and wants to raise taxes to cover up his deceit.

When I walk across that platform this spring, I won't be thinking about the future of my education in Akron. Sure, I may still go there in the fall, who knows. One thing I can say for certain, however, at least I didn't vote for Taft.

Eric R. McMillan
Senior, Geography

Calling for Michael Iannetti's resignation

Editor:

As a former Jambar news editor, former editor in chief of Ohio State's student newspaper, The Lantern, and current reporter/copy editor/paginator for a Gannett newspaper near Columbus, it is quite obvious to me that Michael Iannetti is destined to become yet another corrupt politician from Youngstown.

His proposal to "regulate" the content of The Jambar is absolutely ridiculous, not to mention illegal. Obviously he is not a supporter of the First Amendment, the very ideal this great coun-

try was founded on.

I am appalled at his proposal and think the students at YSU deserve better representation. The Jambar staff, SGA President Jeff Parks and the entire student body should call for Iannetti's immediate resignation. Otherwise, just as Parks said, Iannetti will continue to speak for himself rather than the students he represents.

Megan E. Walsh
Columbus, Ohio

Representative is wrong, but Jambar isn't right

Editor:

I believe that Representative Michael Iannetti was wrong to propose censorship for The Jambar. However, I do feel that it is about time The Jambar staff made an attempt to improve their newspaper. There have been several occasions when people were misquoted.

I believe that the biggest responsibility of a newspaper is to present information to the public accurately and without bias. I have even noticed articles in which a reporter's opinion was apparent. Opinions are meant for the editorial page so please try to keep them there.

Once, I submitted an editorial about an annual event and it was printed a year later for the same event. Who was checking the facts for that one? Sometimes, after reading The Jambar, I feel like I've read a tabloid rather than a college newspaper. I believe that it is important to have a college newspaper and that the staff should have the freedom to write about anything they deem newsworthy. Censorship should not be the issue.

Good news reporting should.

Kathryn Neff
Senior, Professional Writing and Editing

Check www.thejambar.com to see additional thoughts on the Penguins basketball program.

Rapper speaks to university regarding war, education

BY GREG BARTH
Bowling Green University

(U-WIRE) BOWLING GREEN, Ohio - Despite being 30 minutes late due to traffic, Chuck D was greeted by an anxious and enthusiastic Bowling Green State University crowd for his speech Saturday afternoon in the Lenhart Grand Ballroom.

Chuck D, noted for his work in the rap group Public Enemy, as well as his 12-year stint as a motivational speaker, came to the University as part of the Black Issues Conference, sponsored by the Office of Multicultural and Academic Initiatives.

Chuck D's speech is just one of many events planned to celebrate Black History Month on campus.



CHUCK D

In his speech, Chuck D focused on the concept of commercialization. He spoke about money, and the power that accompanies it.

"America is all about money," Chuck D said, adding that it is important to not "buy into what corporations sell you." Chuck D also discussed politics, mostly focusing on the

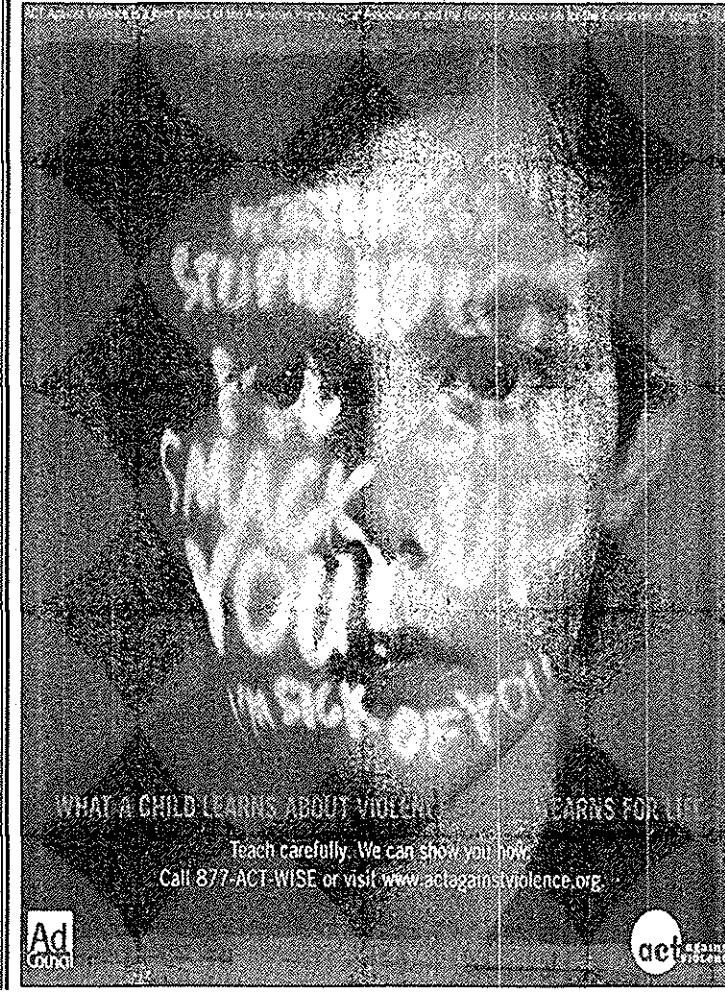
impending war.

Speaking with a very anti-war sentiment, he chastised President Bush for his pro-war stance, and referred to him mostly as "that son of a Bush."

He also emphasized the importance of higher education. "You can't take shortcuts to your future," Chuck D said. "It's important to follow your dreams, but you also need to prepare for reality."

Continuing with education, Chuck D stated that students face three choices after graduation:

"Have a business, have a job or have no job," he said. He left the audience with the thought that having a good education makes those three options much more attractive.



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"Our gas prices are like the stock market, they go up and down," he said. "I do not decide personally how high or how low the prices will be. The company sits down and decides what our prices will be and then I do what they say."

Allen said that although they have had to raise their gas prices, they have not had any customers express concern to them.

BP manager Don Black said the possibility of going to war does not effect the gas prices at his Market Street store in Youngstown.

"For me it is a competition with all the other gas stations, I am in competition with Sheetz and all the other gas stations," Black said. "Whatever they raise their prices to, then I do the same."

Black said he is an independent gas station and other BP stations may raise their prices for different reasons.

Black said he always gets customers that complain about gas prices, but "people will always need to get gas."

James Knowles, 64, of Youngstown disagreed and said he would not travel as much if gas prices continue on its current pace.

Knowles, who was getting gas from University Foods gas station on Fifth Avenue near campus said he buys gas there because its is reasonably priced.

"But if prices skyrocket like they did a year or so ago, I will just stay at home and only leave for work and food," he said. "There's not much for me to do in a situation like this but wait for the hysteria to calm down."

Sophomore Rahamel Lockett, who was also buying gas from University Foods, agreed.

"I am already a struggling student," Lockett said. "I've already had to shell out a couple hundred dollars to get my car fixed in the last few months. A gasoline war is not one I'm ready or prepared to fight."

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"Because friendship is pleasant, we partake of our friend's entertainment; not because we have not enough to eat in our own house."
The Yoruba of Nigeria

Calendar of Events for February 2003

The Underground Railroad in Ohio: A Panel Discussion
Monday, February 3
7:00 p.m. Warren Public Library

Since the designation of the University as a station for the study and documentation of The Underground Railroad by the national center in Cincinnati, a committee has been involved in plans to educate the public by organizing forums, identifying local sites and providing documentation on individuals, places and the network in northeastern Ohio, which facilitated the cause of freedom and justice during slavery. Panelists include Dr. John White, Professor and Chair, Department of Anthropology and Sociology; Dr. William Jenkins, Professor of History and Coordinator of General Education; Dr. Donna DeBlasio, Assistant Professor of History and Director, Center for Historic Preservation; Mr. Wendell Lauth, Historian; and Dr. Victor Wan-Tatah, Professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies and Director, Africana Studies Program. (In conjunction with the Ohio 2003 Bicentennial Celebration)

African Dance Event
Monday, February 10
7:00 p.m. Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center

The African Soul Dance Theater of Cleveland will present an African musical dance extravaganza that will charm and mesmerize the audience. The cast is made up of energetic and experienced women, men, and children who for many years have specialized in African drumming and songs, and a wide variety of dances from different parts of Africa. The group runs regional and national dance workshops and has performed at major national events and ceremonies. If you are ready to escape the cold for a voyage to Africa, African Soul will provide a first-class ticket.

Movie Night - A Forgotten Hero: Patrice Lumumba
By Raoul Peck
Saturday, February 22
7:00 p.m. Jones Room, Kilcawley Center

Lumumba is a stirring and powerful documentary about the legendary African political figure who led the Congo to independence from Belgium in 1960. As the first prime minister of his nation, Patrice Emery Lumumba's vision of a united Africa provoked the wrath of Belgian authorities and of the CIA, who sided with Joseph Mobutu to protect United States interests in the preservation of the natural resources of the Congo. The Congo soon became a crucial testing ground for the cold war in Africa. The highly acclaimed film by Raoul Peck portrays the costly price of liberty in the Congo.

Lecture: Black-Jewish Relations
By Rebecca Walker
Tuesday, February 25
7:30 p.m. Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center

Rebecca Walker is considered to be one of the most audible voices of the young women's movement. She was named by Time magazine as one of fifty future leaders of America. After graduation from Yale University in 1992, she founded Third Wave Direct Action Corporation, a national non-profit organization for young women. She has written for Essence and Harper's, and published an autobiography entitled *Black, White and Jewish: Autobiography of Shifting Self*. (Co-sponsored with the Schermer Scholar-in-Residence Program)

Spirituals in African American Experience
Wednesday, February 5
7:00 p.m. Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center

The Spirituals tradition in African American life is rich and diverse. It has sustained generations of African Americans in times of suffering and struggle, beginning with enslavement. As a testament of resilience and dynamic spirituality, African American Spirituals continue to influence Western sacred and secular music. Dr. Isaiah Jackson, Director of the Youngstown Symphony Orchestra and Scholar-in-Residence at Youngstown State University, will present a practical workshop for high school students.

Lecture: Traditional Values at Work
By Emmanuel Babatunde
Friday, February 14
7:50 p.m. Humphrey Room, Kilcawley Center

Dr. Emmanuel Babatunde is a professor in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology and Director of the Honors Program at Lincoln University in Pennsylvania. His topic is "Preparing African-American Adolescents for Civil Society: Traditional Values at Work." (Co-sponsored with the Center for Working Class Studies)

Comedy Performance
By Happy Cole
Thursday, February 27
Noon, Peaberry's Cafe, Kilcawley Center

Happy Cole is an outstanding comedian whose performances in comedy clubs and colleges around the country have brought crowds to their feet. He was voted comedian of the year in Central Florida and has been showcased in the National Association of Campus Activities. (Co-sponsored with the Center for Student Activities)

First Fridays
Friday, February 7
6:30 p.m. The Youngstown Club

First Fridays social gathering takes place regularly at the Youngstown Club in downtown Youngstown. The event brings together African American professionals from diverse backgrounds for an evening of music, dinner, live entertainment by prominent musicians, networking, and comradeship in a convivial atmosphere. Call 1-800-380-8110 for tickets and reservations. (Co-sponsored with Longevity Promotions, Inc.)

Lecture: African-American Relationships
By Brenda Verner
Tuesday, February 18
7:30 p.m. The Gallery, Kilcawley Center

Brenda Verner is a nationally known communications consultant in human resource development and a researcher in women's studies, media arts, and Africana studies. She is founder of the National Africana Women's Studies Association, and talk show host on the Salem Broadcasting Network. She has appeared on ABC's Morning Show, PBS's Say Brother, and BET's Our Voices, and is president of Verner Communications. Her topic is "African American Men and Women: Courtship, Marriage, and Family"

Lecture on Exhibit: Media Images of African Americans
By Charles Simmons
Lecture: Friday, February 26
7:00 p.m. The Ohio Room

Exhibit runs Feb. 24-26, The Gallery, Kilcawley Center Gallery

Professor Charles Simmons of Eastern Michigan University explores the media images and misinformation about African Americans and women. The first collection has traveled to 36 cities in the United States and Canada, and includes newspapers, advertisements, post cards, posters, documents, paintings, and prints from late 1700s through the 1960s. The second collection reflects women's struggle for civil rights, and was first displayed at the California State University in Los Angeles in 1990. Dr. Simmons is a veteran newspaper reporter and editor and has received awards from the Sierra Club and the New York Association of Black Journalists.

The African Marketplace
Saturday, February 8
Noon, Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center

A popular feature of African American History Month celebration, the Marketplace attracts a wide variety of vendors from Ohio, neighboring states, and beyond. Modeled after the traditional African market, it offers African and African American artistic creations in all forms of art, clothing, jewelry, ancient artifacts, and writings. Entertainment will be provided by the Harambee Dance Group and the Youngstown State University Gospel Choir.

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Officials hope courts will bring life back to inn

By JAMI BONINSEGNA
The Jambar

The dull paint on the historical building is chipping off and falling into the unkempt winter shrubbery. Yellowing curtains hang in the windows, as if someone turned the lights off four years ago and never turned them back on.

Stacks of dishes and baskets line the inside ledge of one of the side windows.

Although the old Wick Pollock Inn building has been abandoned for almost four and half years, university officials said they are hopeful a court decision will help YSU restore life to the building.

"The goal of the university is to reopen the inn as a viable and attractive business on Wick Avenue," said Ron Cole, manager of News & Information Services.

John Habat, vice president for Administration, agreed.

"Our aspiration all along has been to open it as an inn," he said.

But lately, the university has spent more time in court than working toward achieving that goal.

"The university is trying to solve litigation before they go forward with any plans for the [inn]," Walt Ulbricht, executive director of Marketing and Communications, said.

The Wick Pollock Inn, built in 1893 by Paul Wick, was given to YSU in the 1970s to house classes and offices.

In 1986, the university leased the building to a four-person partnership, the Pollock Inn Restoration Association, for a length of 25 years.

Upon entering the lease the partnership took out a loan from the First National Bank of

Pennsylvania in Sharon, Pa.

"With that loan, a 62-room addition was constructed and the Inn opened in 1988," Cole said.

However, in October 1998 the bank foreclosed on the partnership, and the city's only full service hotel was closed in November of that year.

"The bank became the tenant at that time," Cole said.

He explained that as the tenant, the bank was responsible for upkeep on the inn and paying rent to the university, which the university claims did not happen.

In March 2002 the case entered the Ohio Court of Claims in Columbus. The trial began Jan. 13 and lasted four days.

"The university is claiming between \$1 million and \$1.5 million in damages, including unmet maintenance, and unpaid rent and utilities," Cole said.

Although YSU owns the actual mansion and the entire property, Cole said that the bank does have "financial interest in the addition."

Cole said that post-trial arguments are scheduled to begin on March 21 and it could be three to six months before a decision is made.

"Although the university initiated the action with the bank, officials are still hopeful for a settlement," he said.

Ulbricht said that while the university has plans for the inn, it could be a long time before the community sees any changes.

"Whatever the decision is, most likely there will be an appeal which can extend the case up to a year."

Call Jami Boninsegna at (330) 941-1913.



Jami Boninsegna/The Jambar

ABANDONED: The Wick Pollock Inn, which has been abandoned for more than four years, may see business once again depending on a court decision. Ron Cole, manager of News & Information Services said, "The goal of the university is to reopen the inn as a viable and attractive business."

Blood drive falls short of goal



Henry Gomez/The Jambar

BLOODWORK: Freshman Jessica Slifka helped contribute to the 90 pints of blood collected by the American Red Cross at last week's Student Government Association blood drive.

By ROXANNE TORELLA
The Jambar

Results of last week's Student Government Association blood drive fell 16 pints short of the goal set by the American Red Cross.

Only 38 pints of blood were collected Feb. 11, the first day of the drive. On Feb. 12, the number grew to 52, for a total of 90 pints.

The late surge, however, was not enough to meet the goal of 106.

Although SGA and the

Red Cross missed the goal, officials from both said many lives will be saved because of the university's efforts.

"We saved 114 lives this blood drive," Christa Natoli, an SGA spokeswoman and coordinator of the drive, said.

Nancy Cox, recruitment coordinator for the American Red Cross Mahoning Valley Chapter, agreed.

"We didn't quite reach our goal, however, I'd much rather look at the positive side — lives were saved," Cox said.

Natoli thought the extra

activities and giveaways brought more students to participate in the blood drive.

"More students were happy to give blood and more willing to, with the drawings for roses and free massages," she said.

Cox agreed that students seemed happy with the activities and said she hopes for more students to attend the April 16 and 17 blood drive at YSU.

Call Roxanne Torella at (330) 941-1811.

Speaker captivates audience as part of Black History event

Emmanuel Babatunde spoke on "Preparing African-American Adolescents for Civil Society."

By ALICIA HOUSTON
The Jambar

Emmanuel Babatunde captivated an audience last Friday night in Kilcawley Center during the lecture, "Preparing African-American Adolescents for Civil Society: Traditional Values at Work."

Babatunde, director of the Honors Program and professor of sociology and anthropology at Lincoln University, has received numerous awards, such as the Christian R. & Mary F. Lindback Distinguished Teaching Award.

Babatunde is known as an instructor who motivates his students at Lincoln University to reach their maximum intellectual potential. Throughout his lecture, he motivated the audience to consider six important aspects of life, and to take action on improving them.

He said service, society, spirituality, sexuality, sacrifice and sensibility are key aspects of observing traditional values.

His lengthy educational background includes a master's degree and Ph.D. in social anthropology from Oxford University and a Ph.D. in comparative multicultural education

from London University.

He previously earned a bachelor of divinity honor's degree in philosophy and theology from Urbana University in Rome, Italy and a diploma in religious studies from the University of Ibadan in Nigeria.

Babatunde, originally from Nigeria, has written several books on culture, religion, the family and multicultural education, as well as articles on curricular issues, marriage, human development and the status of women.

Babatunde said during the lecture that people should be proactive in developing traditional values and the socialization of children so that they will be responsible adults.

In Nigeria, Babatunde says he is a part of a school in which children must pay money for misbehaving. At the end of the term, the student will receive money for their good conduct. If they have constantly misbehaved, they may end up owing the school money.

Although, he said, this practice might not be feasible in the United States, it gave the students encouragement to behave and instilled in them a sense of responsibility and respect.

Babatunde said that he believes that African-Americans should show allegiance to Africa by giving back to the continent. The increased interest in African culture had heightened with the observance of traditional dances, music, clothing, and holidays — citing Kwanzaa as a step toward reconnecting African-Americans with their traditional roots.

Call Alicia Houston at (330) 941-3758.

Ryan pushes grant for YSU

The money would help YSU's College of Engineering and Technology.

STAFF REPORT
The Jambar



RYAN

A \$500,000 grant sought by U.S. Rep. Tim Ryan, D-Niles, would benefit YSU's College of Engineering & Technology if President Bush signs it this week.

The grant is part of the 2003 Omnibus Appropriations Act, passed last week by the House of Representatives and Senate.

"The bill should have been

passed by Congress before I came to office — but since it wasn't, I saw an opportunity to get some federal funding for my district," Ryan said in a news release. "Bringing federal money back to the communities I represent is an important part of my job."

The funding would allow the College of Engineering and Technology to redevelop its former Materials Engineering Science program at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, with a special emphasis on steel foam materials and structures.

"The development of steel foam materials is an exciting and emerging venture in the realm of advanced materials," Ryan said. "This presents an enormous opportunity for our community to take the lead in developing the next generation of steel."

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experts believe that metallic foams will be significantly lighter, with little or no reduction in performance.

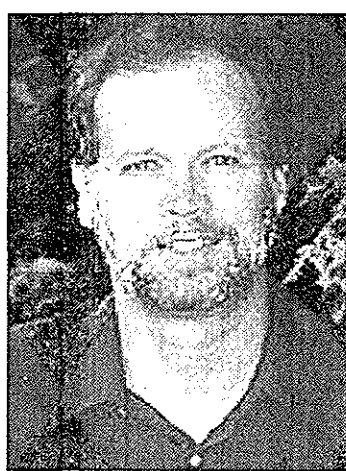
University President David Sweet expressed his thanks to the congressman in a news release through Ryan press secretary Patrick Lowry.

"I am both excited and appreciative of Congressman Ryan's efforts to successfully secure this funding for Youngstown State University," Sweet said. "It will allow us to strengthen and expand the programs in our College of Engineering and Technology in areas that directly relate to the needs of the Mahoning Valley."

Ryan is in his first term in Congress. When elected in November, he promised changes for YSU. In a January interview, he cited the importance of the College of Engineering & Technology in YSU's reemergence.

News in brief

Brown professor to speak about evolution, religion



MILLER

Kenneth R. Miller, an award-winning biology professor from Brown University, will lecture today on the controversial relationship between evolution and religion.

"Finding Darwin's God — An Answer to the Conflict Between Evolution and Religion" is part of the Albert J. Shipka Speakers Series and will take place at 12:30 p.m. in the Chestnut Room at Kilcawley Center.

The speech is free and open to the public. According to a news

release, Miller's opinions are unique in that he believes firmly in evolution but also firmly in God.

A Roman Catholic, Miller believes creationists who attack evolution misunderstand the relationship between evolution and religious moral values.

The department of Philosophy and Religious Studies is sponsoring the speech. For more information contact Joan Bevan or Thomas Shipka at (330) 941-3448.

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Now, just five months into his education, DeNicholas finds himself preparing to fight for his country. His warning call came Thursday night. His next call will be an order to report to base within 24 hours. His third call will be his deployment order.

"The warning is to put you in a higher state of readiness," he said. "They tell you to pack your bags. If the order comes down, 24 hours isn't enough time." In addition to the physical preparation, which DeNicholas said includes packing and informing credit card companies, there is a need for emotional preparation.

"I'm talking to a lot of friends," he said. "My family, they don't want me to go, but they understand. They don't like it, but they accept it."

His companion at Peaberry's, Stephanie Santha, said her friend's warning was bittersweet.

"I want him to go because I think he's protecting our country," she said. "But I'm

going to miss him."

DeNicholas understands that not everyone has been as understanding as his friends have been. The anti-war protests by the Youngstown State Peace Action Network, he admits, have bothered him.

"It upsets me a little bit," he said. "But it's their right to express it. That's their opinion." Although he is scared to go, DeNicholas said serving his country has been a lifelong goal.

"Basically it's the sense of adventure," he said. "And it's for my grandfather. He was in World War II. My dad was drafted to fight in Vietnam, but my mother was pregnant at the time so he didn't have to go."

"There was kinda something missing out of the family,"

Now, DeNicholas said, he has the chance to fight even if it means putting another one of his goals on hold.

He is enrolled in school to pursue his commission, which would allow him to become a

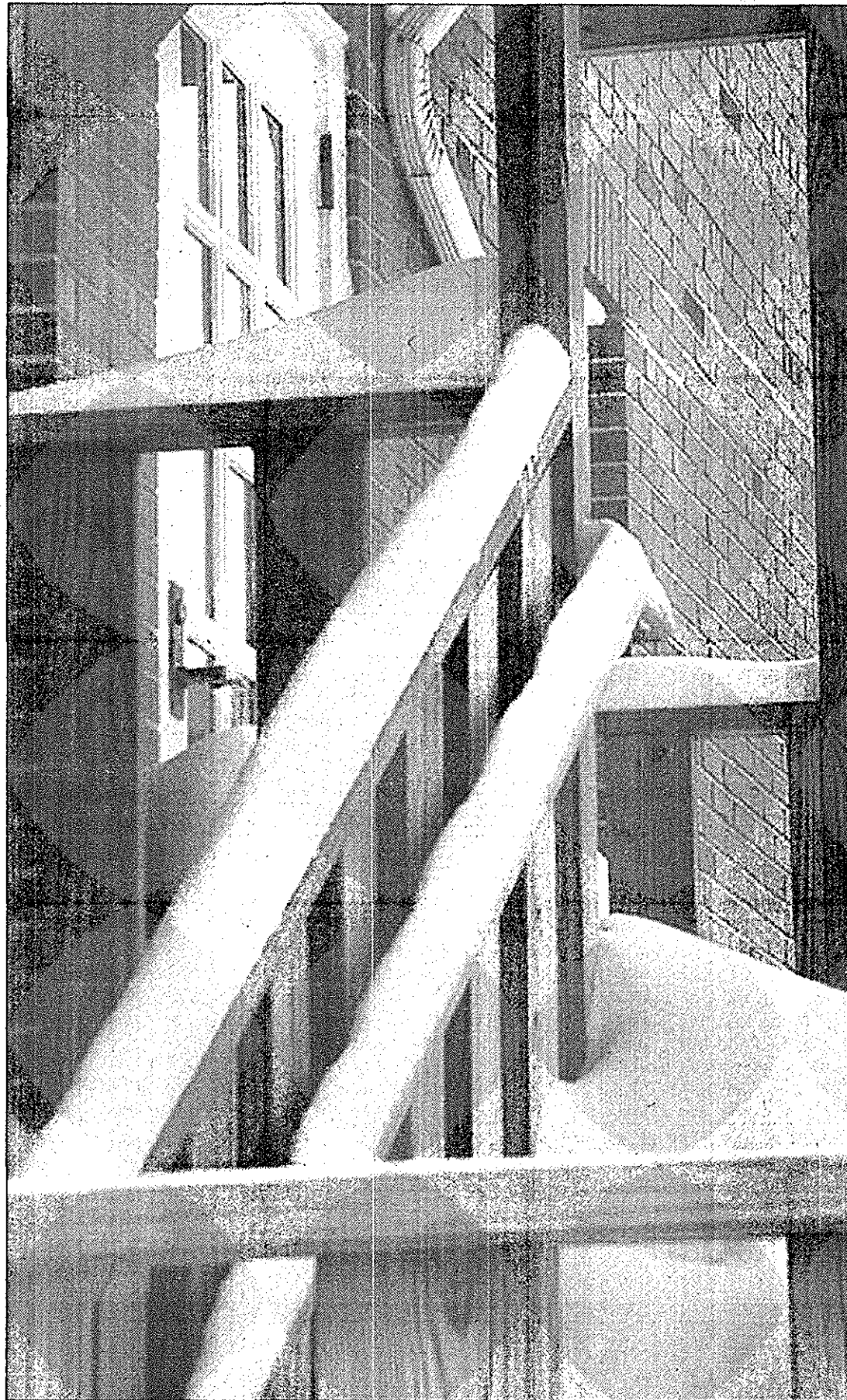
military officer. While in active duty, DeNicholas spent tours in Korea and Japan.

"Do I regret going into the military?" he asked himself. "Not one day since. It's one of the best decisions I've ever made, and I recommend it to anyone." DeNicholas was born in Warren and grew up in El Paso, Texas, before moving back to the area. He was planning on becoming a volunteer firefighter in Howland before he received his warning call.

"When I received the call, the first thing I said was, 'Here we go,'" he said. "You prepare to be ready, but when it comes down ... it's that first initial shock — it's like 'OK, what do I do?'"

But once the initial shock wears off, he said, your mind-set is focused on the task at hand. "I just try to reassure everybody that everything is going to be taken care of."

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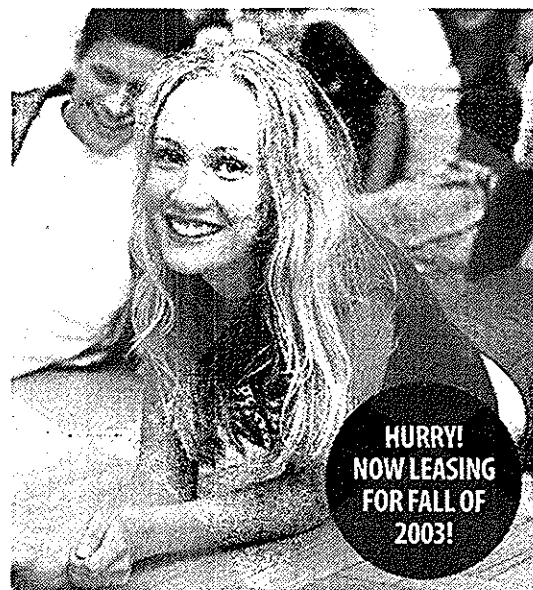


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Wednesday: The Non-Traditional Students Group will have a weekly meeting at 3:00 p.m. in The Office for Student Progress, Kilcawley Center. For more information contact Angie at 330-941-7492.

Thursday: The College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Lecture Series Presents Dr. Paul Finkelman, Chapman Distinguished Professor of Law, University of Tulsa College of Law. "Affirmative Action for the Master Class: The Creation of the Proslavery Constitution." 4 p.m., Presidential Suites, Kilcawley Center. Free and open to the public.

Notices:

Feb. 22: The Annual Black History Brunch will be held from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. The Reception will take place at 12 noon. It will be held at the Upton House, 380 Mahoning Ave., Warren, OH. Speakers: William Blake, Dir. Student Affairs, Youngstown State University, Akron, Ohio. Motivational speaker: Claude Dangerfield, Austintown, Ohio. Sponsored by Warren 9to5 National Association of Working Women. For more info call 330-395-6913 or 330-270-0483. Ask for Gale Johnson or Natalie Scott. A donation of \$5.00 is requested.

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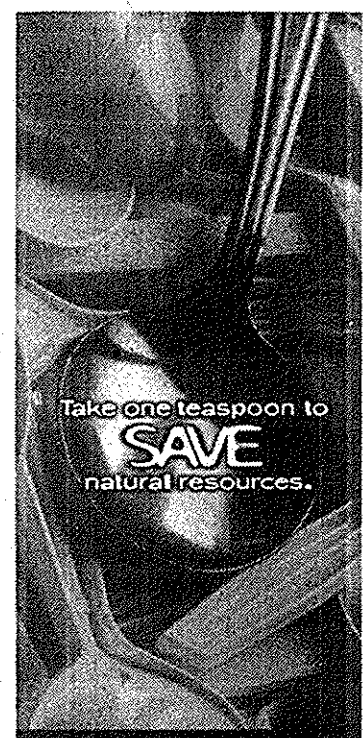
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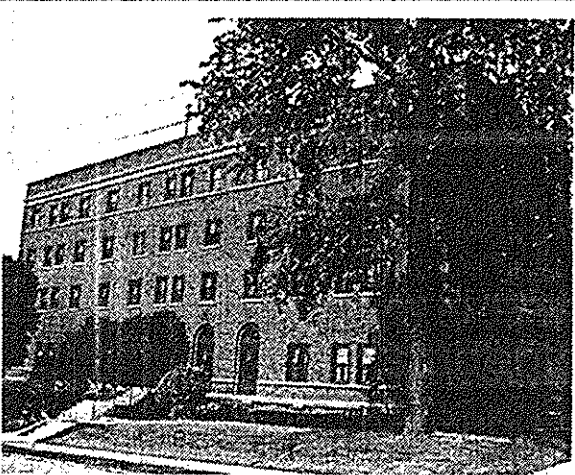
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Sports & Recreation

Havoc reigns at halftime, regulation

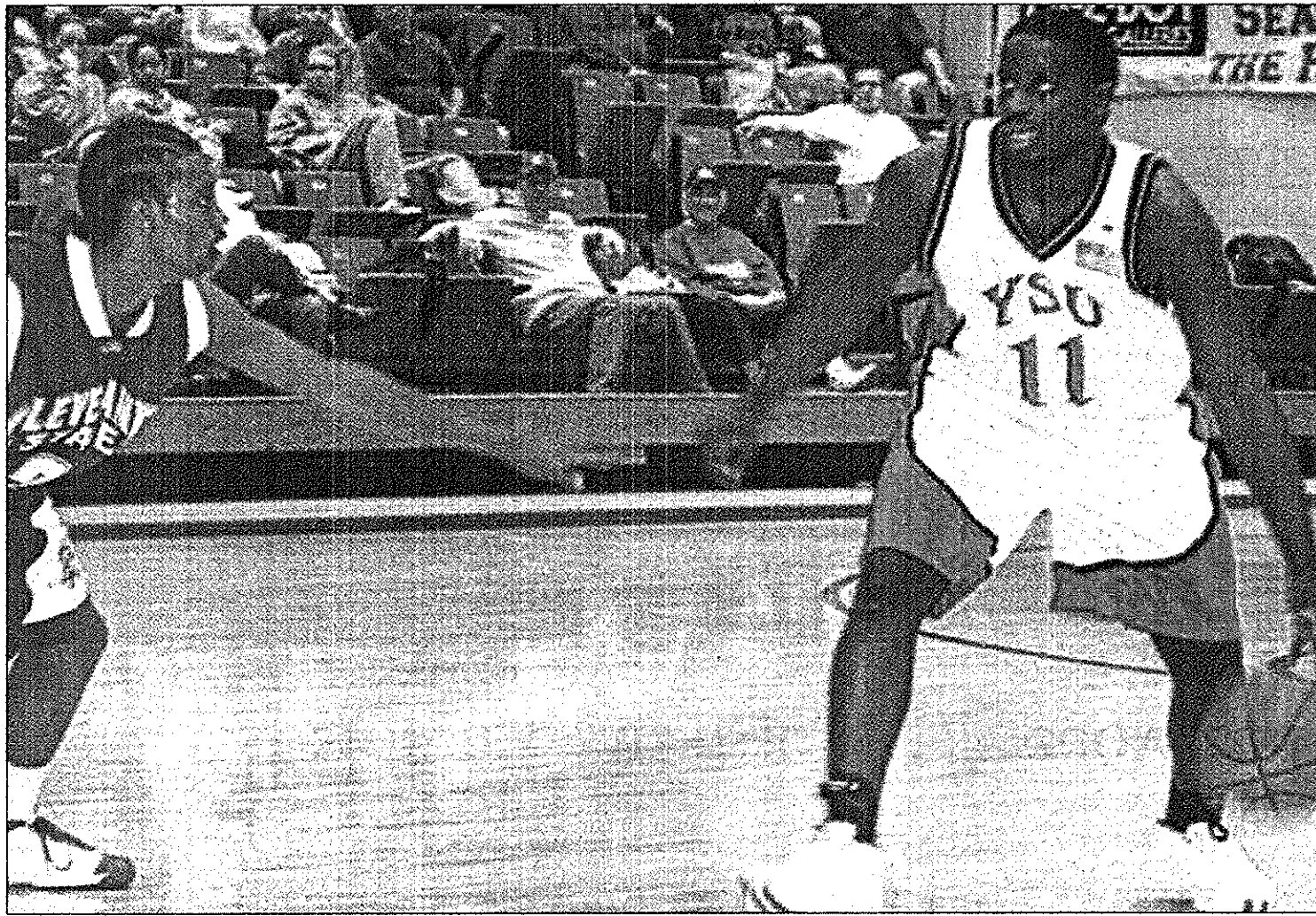


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OFFENSE: Senior guard Marlon Williamson brings the ball up court in a recent Penguins contest at Beeghly Center. The Penguins were defeated Saturday by the UW-Milwaukee Panthers 86-61. The Penguins will travel tomorrow to play Green Bay. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m.

By JOE SIMON
The Jambar

Havoc was the name of the game Saturday — both at halftime and during play at Beeghly Center — as the Horizon League's No. 1 men's team beat up on the Penguins.

The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Panthers handed the men's team its worst loss of the year with an 86-61 victory at YSU's annual Half-time Havoc game.

With YSU (8-15 overall and 4-8 in the Horizon League) trailing by just five at halftime, Milwaukee (21-5 and 12-2) quickly shut the door on any type of upset by doubling their lead in the first 15 seconds of the second half. The Panthers Dylan Page (27 points) and Clay Tucker (25) scored over half the team's points as UW-Milwaukee's inside-out attack overwhelmed the Penguins.

YSU coach John Robic was disappointed in his team's play, and said UW-Milwaukee's senior leadership makes the Panthers the best team in the Horizon League.

"(UW-Milwaukee) is defi-

"UW-Milwaukee is definitely the best team in this league, they have seven seniors that are playing like there's no tomorrow."



— JOHN ROBIC
YSU men's basketball head coach

nitely the best team in this league, they have seven seniors that are playing like there's no tomorrow," Robic said. "That's what you have to have at this time of year is seniors that are going to lay it all on the line."

Although the Penguins never led during the game, the team battled throughout the first half. Junior center Adam Baumann led the first half of play with 13 points, five rebounds and one blocked shot. But Baumann would score only four more as the Panthers defense stiffened, holding the Penguins to just 32 percent (8-25) from the field in the second half.

Robic said he was disappointed with the loss, especially because of the team's

impressive first half.

"I was disappointed in the way we played in the second half," Robic said. "I really thought we had a chance going into halftime, trailing by just five."

The Penguins quickly dug themselves a hole by getting into foul trouble early and often. The Panthers shot 17-25 from the foul line in the second half and for the game had 48 shots from the stripe.

Junior forward Tejay Anderson, second on the team in rebounds and third in scoring, fouled out with over 13 minutes left in the second half, not long after at the 9:35 mark, his replacement 6-foot-5 Khari McQueen, sophomore, fouled out as well.

To make matters worse the

team struggled mightily from the line, converting just 17 of 33 foul shots.

UW-Milwaukee also dominated inside, scoring 34 points in the paint — 24 of those coming in the second half, more than YSU's game total of 22.

Robic said foul trouble and missed free throws was not the Penguins main problem, but that a combination of poor defense and the confidence of the Panthers doomed YSU in the second half.

"They're a confident team, they have a swagger about them and I would say they're the odds on favorite to win (the Horizon League Tournament)," Robic said. "Our on-the-ball defense wasn't good, we gambled too much and we don't have the firepower to score in the 80s, we're lucky to get into the 70s."

The Penguins get another chance to snap their 28 game road-losing streak tomorrow at Green Bay. Tipoff is set for 8:05 p.m.

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Half-time Havoc celebrated its third successful year.

By DAVE DEVERUEX
The Jambar

Following Saturday's Half-time Havoc competition, members of the victorious Blue Ballers team first cited "heart" as being crucial to their success.

But they quickly regressed and acknowledged member Steve Reynolds saying it was his work in the bat spinning portion of the competition which propelled them toward the title.

"He got us way ahead," freshman Abby Ettenhoffer said.

Reynolds, a junior, said he was confident going in due to his experience.

"I'm a pro spinner," he said laughing.

Joining Ettenhoffer and Reynolds on the winning team was junior Tom Ring, senior Steve Zori and freshman Angie Pasquinelli.

The third annual Half-

said each team was required to spin around a certain numbers of times. She felt the winning team didn't follow the rules and dropped the bat well before the rest of the teams.

"We spun around actually like seven times and they were way ahead of everybody else," Speece replied.

Junior Ryan McNicholas and senior April Newman, members of a team called the Defenders, commented on other factors they felt determined the outcome.

Newman said the sacks they were supposed to put on were not "one size fits all."

"We couldn't fit into the sack, the sack was too small," Newman said. "We were handicapped by our large feet."

McNicholas said the disregard for people with large feet comes as no surprise to him.

"She has a size 11 and I have a size 14, it's hard for people with big feet to fit into a sack that size," he said. "We're the best obviously but they're always trying to hold people with big feet down. That's my motto."

McNicholas laughed and added, "If they had larger sacks for normal sized people



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HALFTIME HAVOC: Participants in the Half-time Havoc program pose for shot Saturday in Beeghly Center. "The Blue Ballers" were the victors in the program's third year.

time Havoc competition took place during halftime of Saturday's basketball game between YSU and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

The competition consisted of five teams with five members, three men and two women, competing in a relay race which featured obstacles such as bat spinning, riding tricycles, sack hopping, as well as making foul shots and lay-ups.

While the winners proclaimed victory due to heart and skill, opposing team members called them out afterwards, saying they should have been disqualified.

"I think the one team cheated," junior Mitch Dolenic said. "They were off the bat five seconds, six seconds before anyone else."

Dolenic's teammate, sophomore Angela Speece,

instead of midget size, we would've won."

He said his team also demands a "recount" because he said the rules were changed.

"We were told it was foul shots then lay-ups not lay-ups then foul shots so the rules were inappropriately swapped."

Despite the controversial finish, participants commented on the event itself.

"It was cool," McNicholas said. "It's something to break up the monotony of the normal half-time routines."

Speece, who called the competition "intense," sent a message to the winning team — "Wait 'til next year."

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\$2000 in stolen Clarett jerseys recovered

Man says he found the jerseys in a nearby alley, but was charged with breaking into bookstore.

By ERIC CHRIST
The Lantern (OSU)

(U-WIRE) COLUMBUS, Ohio - Footprints in the snow led police to a suspected burglar early Monday morning. Police arrested Trevor Christopher Harvey, 36, shortly after 5 a.m. Monday and charged him with breaking into Long's Bookstore at 1836 N. High St.

Harvey was arrested for stealing 32 Ohio State University football jerseys with tailback Maurice Claret's number 13 on the back, said Sherry Mercurio, spokeswoman for the Columbus Division of Police.

Police monitor the area for unusual activity.

"One of our officers was in

the area and there was someone who looked suspicious. He lost sight of him and saw another person walking down the street carrying brand-new jerseys, still on the hanger, which is unusual at five in the morning," Mercurio said.

An officer questioned the man, who claimed he had found the jerseys in a nearby alley. The officer checked the premise and found Long's had been broken into. He noticed fresh footprints in the snow and was able to follow them back to Harvey, Mercurio said.

Harvey allegedly entered the building through the side entrance facing the store's parking lot by breaking the glass, said Kathy Smith, general manager of Long's Bookstore.

The police secured the area and removed the suspect before Long's employees were present at the scene, Smith said.

"By the time we got here the police had taken care of everything," Smith said.

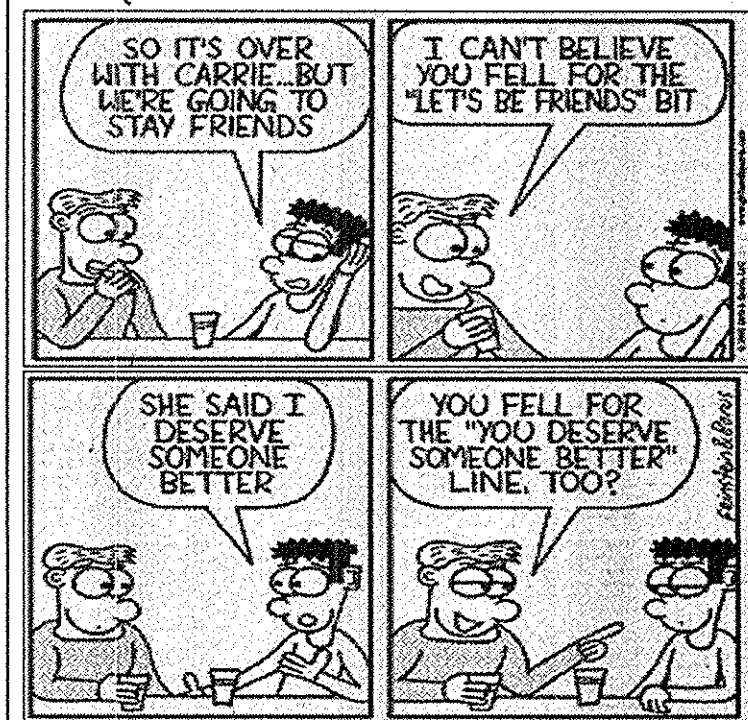
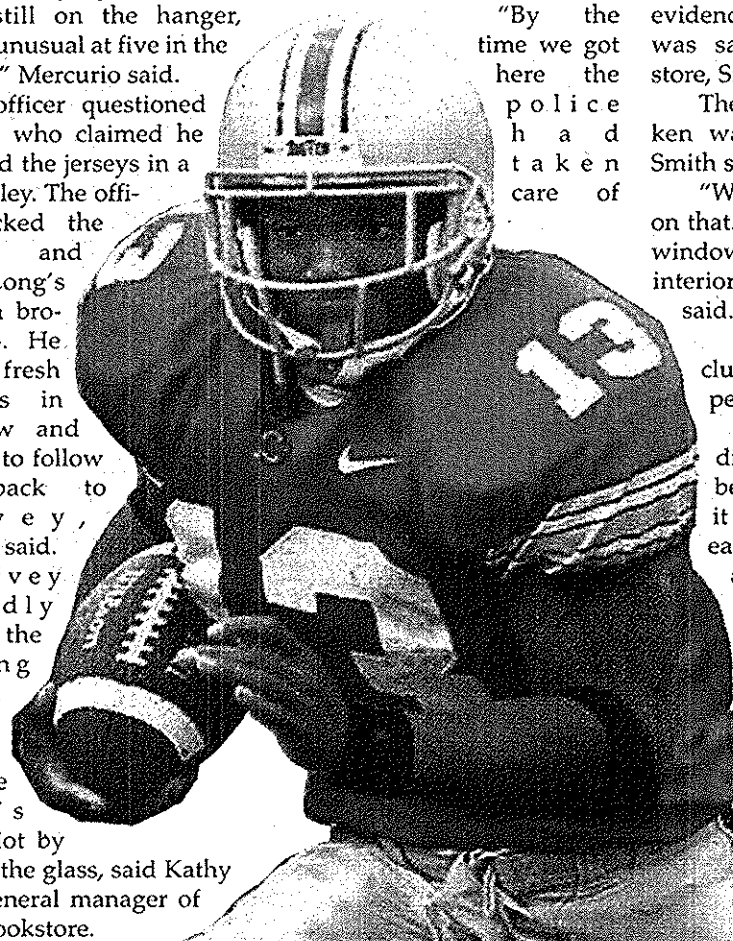
The jerseys, which were valued at \$50 to \$60 each, were recovered by police. Photographs were taken for evidence and the merchandise was safely returned to the store, Smith said.

The glass which was broken was promptly repaired, Smith said.

"We're waiting for the bill on that. We've already had the window and all the glass in the interior door replaced," Smith said.

The snow was a vital clue in arresting the suspect.

"The officer actually did a very good job. He's been on for 17 years, and it would have been very easy to take the report and not necessarily go the extra step. But he took the report, and followed the footprints. On a morning when the weather wasn't the greatest he did far more than what was probably expected of him," Mercurio said.



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