

## Officer predicts success

By DAVE DEVEREUX  
The Jambar

Although he thinks war with Iraq will be harder than some thought, the director of YSU's ROTC program said he was confident the U.S. led mission will be successful.

Lt. Col. Roderick Hosler, assistant professor of military science, said Wednesday that he wished the air raids would have lasted longer but added that the early strikes appeared to be successful.

"It's not going to be the cakewalk

"I wish there was a little more shock and awe, but I think it's a good approach."

— COL. RODERICK HOSLER  
Assistant professor, military science

everybody thought," Hosler said. "War brings a lot of unknowns. It might not always go according to schedule although it may be going according to plan. So far things seem to be working well."

Hosler said he expected more

from the U.S.'s initial air strikes on Baghdad, however, he realizes what they're trying to accomplish.

"I wish there was a little more 'shock and awe,'" Hosler said. "But I think it's a good approach. What you want to do is devastate and dumbfound your enemy and reduce their capabilities of alternative action."

"What I've seen is basically what CNN has been showing and from what I've seen we're hitting all of the

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LINE UP: Soldiers wait in line for Smallpox and Anthrax shots outside the Morale Welfare and Recreation tent at Camp. Virginia, Kuwait.

## Anti-war emotions voiced in poetry

By ALICIA HOUSTON  
The Jambar

Monday evening's Open Mic Poetry Reading at Peaberry's Café brought professors, students and community members together to express their frustrations about the war.

Philip Brady, who organized the reading, said he wanted to create a forum that provided a deepened context of discussion about the war.

"Most of our information about the war comes from an immediate focus," said Brady, a professor of English. "Poetry is the intense speech that reminds us that others have gone through these crises and we can benefit from them."

The Rev. Werner Lange received cheers as he read his poem.

"War is hell, God is love," Lange read. "In war, truth is the first casualty. Those who live by the sword die by the sword. Bombs that drop in Baghdad today will drop in Cleveland tomorrow...let the children live and let war die forever."

Freshman Liz Dewar said she opposes the war because "it just doesn't feel right."

"After we level Iraq, we'll move to North Korea ... by the time we get focused, too many children will have died," Dewar read in her poem.

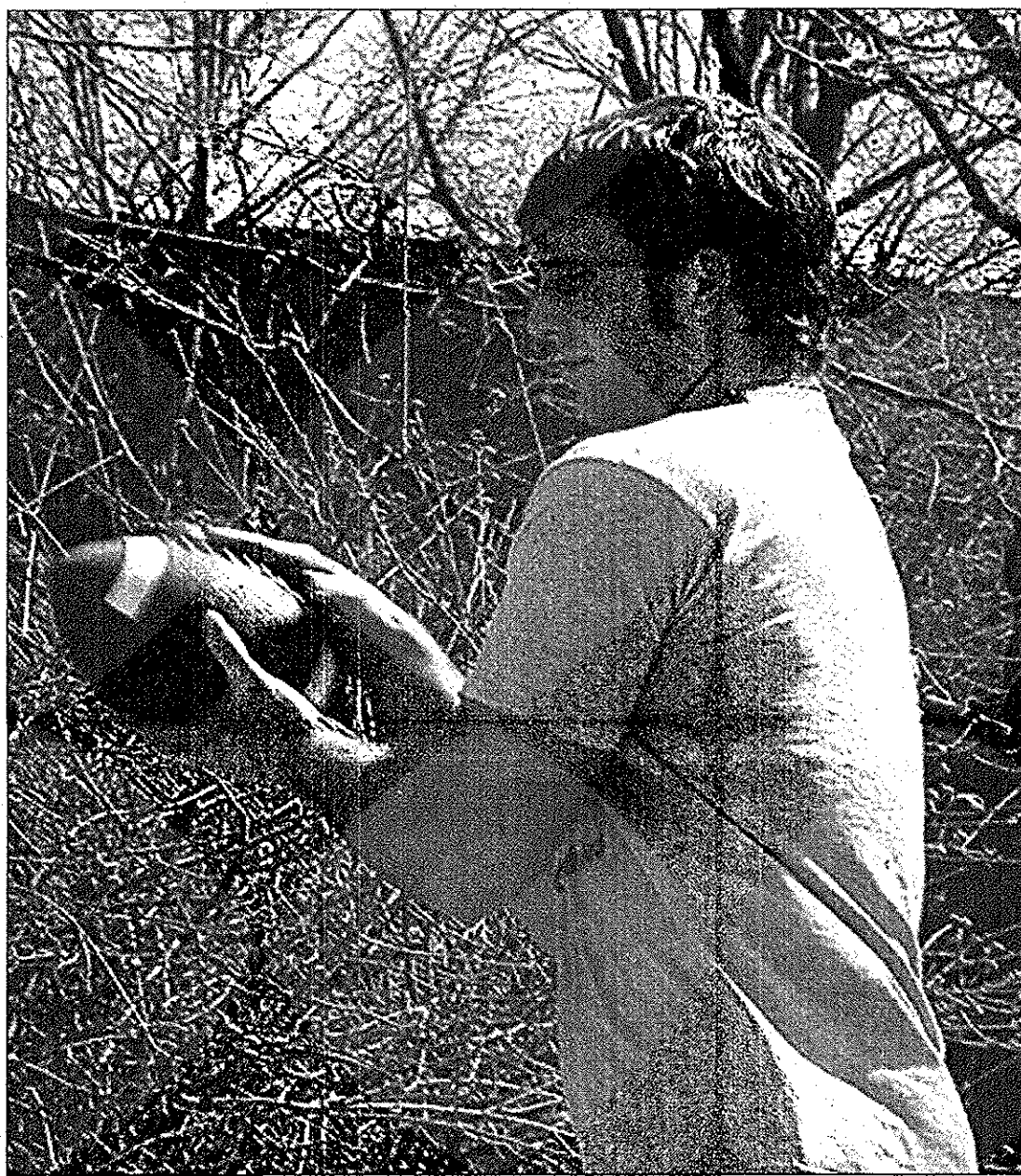
Phil LaMonica said he has always been a war protester and believes the war is "unrighteous."

"It's stealing the freedom of the people in this nation," LaMonica said. "It's all about oil."

"What is the difference between the Enron executives and the Bush administration? Nothing," read LaMonica in his poem. "What is the difference between the tears of an Iraqi mother and the tears of an American mother?"

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## NICE CATCH



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SPRING IS HERE: Sophomore Rick Walker plays catch outside of Kilcawley Center Wednesday. Nice weather will continue into today, with temperatures rising into the 60s.

## Parks, Pastier join Sweet in effort to lobby more funds

By ROXANNE TORELLA  
The Jambar

Two Student Government Association members traveled to Columbus last week to

plead with state legislators for more higher education funding. Student and administrative representatives from four Ohio universities, including YSU, attended the conference.

SGA President Jeff Parks and Vice President for Finance Matt Pastier joined University President David Sweet on the trip to represent Youngstown.

Parks said the university presidents and students discussed the impact of higher education funding.

"Our testimony was received well," Parks said. "The students added an extra level of importance to the issue."

Parks said he discussed

how funding is important to YSU and its students and discussed ways students are dealing with the current higher education cutbacks, as well as the latest tuition increase.

"Some students are not buying textbooks and are working more hours for extra money and spending less hours in the classroom," Parks said.

Pastier said it was a great opportunity to attend the conference and to hear different universities speak on new ways of gaining higher education funding.

"I had a chance to make a difference," Pastier said. "I think higher education funds are important to students."

Pastier said he had a chance to talk to Ohio State University representatives and other SGA presidents. He said

fewer thefts.

C. Allen Pierce, a criminal justice professor, said that despite the "runs" of specific crimes, like car theft, the YSU campus is and has been very safe.

"YSU's had a very low crime rate since I've been here," Pierce said, adding that he has been at the university for 25 years.

YSU Police Chief John Gocala, said there are many variables that change constantly.

"One of the columns

are less people on campus in the summer, there are usually

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## Statistics reveal constant drop in campus crime

By REBECCA MARQUIS  
The Jambar

It's 9 p.m., and you've just stumbled wearily out of your last class of the day. Being on campus at night is nerve-racking, but unfortunately for you, you must take a night class.

So you brave the darkness, barely comforted by the fact that the YSU police department is less than a block away.

Statistically, however, your chances of being a victim of crime on campus are low.

In fact, according to campus crime statistics taken from

the Student's Right to Know, crime rates on campus have been dropping slowly over the past decade.

In 1990, YSU saw one robbery, an aggravated assault, four burglaries and six motor vehicle thefts. In 2001, the latest year for which data is available, no robberies, vehicle thefts or aggravated assaults were reported and six burglaries were reported.

The 2001 report

listed 147 incidents of larceny or theft, however the 1990 report does not list the category.

Gregory Clementi of the YSU

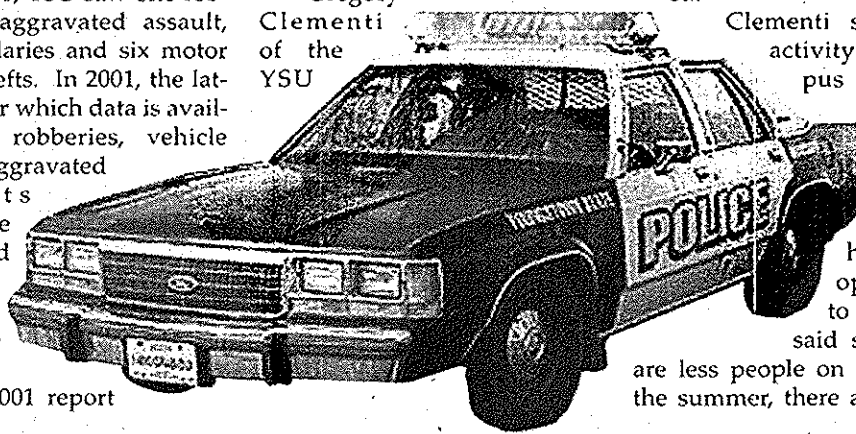
police department said many of the reported thefts happened when students or others left their belongings unattended.

Clementi said more activity on campus means a better likelihood that a thief will have an opportunity to strike. He said since there

are less people on campus in the summer, there are usually

fewer thefts.

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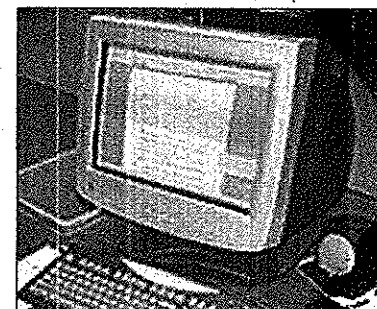


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# Local airmen prepared for sandstorms, battle

By LA'EL HUGHES  
The Jambar

With U.S. and coalition forces inching closer to Baghdad, officers at a local base said they are ready if called to combat.

Master Sgt. Brian Ripple of the 910th Airforce Base in Vienna said the 250 airmen of the 910th currently are deployed in Germany, but once their term has expired, being sent to Iraq "is definitely a possibility."

Talk of sandstorms, prisoners of war and weapons of mass destruction has dominated in recent days, but Ripple said his airmen are prepared to face all of it. A variety of training has left them ready to fight through adverse conditions.

"These airmen know what

they are going up against before they are sent over," Ripple said.

With the U.S. already losing several troops to Iraq's Republican Guard, Ripple said learning escape and evasion tactics are a normal part of training procedures. He said the 910th airmen are told how to hide themselves from possible captures and live off the land if stranded or are away from their camps.

The threat of chemical and biological warfare looming over the heads of the service men and women stationed in the Middle East also is a concern, Ripple said. The airmen have been trained on the dangers of biological weapons such as VX and mustard gas.

"Our airmen are shown videos and clips on the after

effects of these gases and they aren't pretty either," Ripple said. "But the airmen trust and rely on the training they receive to get them through these type of situations."

Ripple said many members in the unit fall back on their faith in God.

Having a military chaplain stationed on missions is quite common, Ripple said. Many of the servicemen and women have chances to participate in prayer study as a way to help keep them going.

Ripple said if they were called to help during the rebuilding phase in Iraq that the U.S. wants to implement, their duties would be no different than what they are doing in Germany.

He said the 910th airlift wing fly C-130 airplanes.

Ripple said they are responsible for transporting water, personnel and artillery. In Iraq, where most of the geography includes desert lands, 910th would play an important role.

The desire to play an important role has led to higher recruitment numbers at local Army offices. Captain Mike Simpson from the Army of One office located in the Southern Park Mall said the war with Iraq has not deterred local residents from enlisting.

"We have seen an estimated increase of 5 to 10 percent," Simpson said.

Simpson said he has received several phone calls where the voice on the other end says: "I want to defend my country. I want to serve my nation."

Concerned parents, how-

ever, have called the recruitment office asking questions about their children who are enlisted. Simpson said he had three parents call asking details on how and who would be notified in case their daughter or son is hurt during training exercises or combat.

Simpson and Ripple said they do their best to comfort and offer support to the parents of people enlisted. Ripple said the Vienna base will have a support group today at the American Red Cross in Salem. This will allow the family members to meet and socialize.

Ripple said companions of the airmen can ask for financial help for bills or any other household services.

Call La'el Hughes at (330) 941-3523.

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this meeting was more of a "lobbying effort" by everyone representing their school.

Pastier said YSU now has several constraints, such as hiring freezes and different budget cuts to keep higher education funding in place.

Parks said it is too early to say what the outcome of the meeting is, however, he said this was an opportunity to put YSU students' faces on a problem that originated in Columbus.

He said he was happy with the "different approach" that the meeting carried.

Representatives from Wright State University, OSU and Ohio University - schools with officers on the Intra-University Council - all attended the hearings.

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right targets such as military targets, governmental targets, command and control, and radars."

With reports stating that U.S. troops are within 30 miles of Baghdad, Hosler said that ground forces are using proven strategies.

"We refer to this as 'haul ass and bypass,'" Hosler said. "This means we move quickly to the objective and those things that are not of immediate strategic value we let our following troops take care of. We want to get to the objective as quickly as possible."

Hosler said U.S. forces

have encountered some resistance primarily from irregular Iraqi armies. He said he believes the Republican Guard Units, Saddam Hussein's elite troops, have pulled back to Baghdad.

"We're encountering the irregular Iraqi troops," Hosler said. "There are guys who have been infiltrating in civilian clothes. They intimidate the Iraqi civilians and intimidate the normal Iraqi army. They're the ones that are claiming surrender then shooting up Americans."

Hosler said the U.S. will engage in its stiffest combat

once they reach Baghdad but he said he's confident in the advanced training of the U.S. troops.

"We certainly have the technological and equipment superiority and our military leadership is a lot better," he said.

Hosler, who has served in places such as Atlanta, Alaska and Korea, said he has never been called into duty during wartime.

"Always ready to go but never went," he said.

Hypothetically speaking, Hosler said he would like to be in Iraq.

"Yeah, I would like to be over there now," Hosler said. "I think it's exciting and certainly it's a challenge but that's what soldiers do."

Although Hosler and the majority of ROTC members are under contract and currently cannot be deployed, Hosler said the effects of war have been felt close to home.

He said five YSU students, who were not yet contracted cadets in ROTC, are currently preparing for departure to Iraq.

"I have lost five students that were also members of the National Guard. When their

units called them up they had to leave school and go with their units," Hosler said. "They probably are deploying as we speak."

Hosler added that the YSU ROTC is a sub-program of Kent State's ROTC and one of their instructors has been deployed.

"He generally comes here to help us out," Hosler said. "I would suspect he will soon be in Iraq."

Hosler said the troops that are currently serving in Iraq are likely experiencing a mixture of emotions.

"I think they're certainly

going through a lot of anxiety and excitement, as well as fear," he said.

"Most soldiers over there appear to be pumped up but it's the fear of the unknown that gives you a sense of concern."

But because of the good training they receive, most [U.S.] soldiers are very successful."

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## TODAY'S EDITORIAL

### YSU finds a niche; Ryan must take note

So many chemistry graduates, so few opportunities. According to a recent publication in Chemical and Engineering News — a leading national journal — YSU awards more chemistry degrees than any other Ohio school. Overall, YSU ranks 14th in the nation.

Not bad at all, especially considering that this survey placed YSU in the company of major chemistry programs, such as those on the West Coast.

Let this be a message to YSU, our local politicians and the Chamber of Commerce: Youngstown State can produce the chemists. Now it's time to produce the local job market. Wouldn't it be nice to keep these graduates in the Mahoning Valley?

After his swearing-in earlier this year, U.S. Rep. Tim Ryan, D-Niles, said he would do his best to bring beneficial projects, jobs and development money to Downtown Youngstown.

Now is the time. A survey as stellar as that in Chemical and Engineering News cannot be written off as a fluke. Daryl Mincey, chair of the Chemistry department, said the major averages a 5 percent increase in students each year.

It is clear that this burgeoning Chemistry department represents a strong potential link between YSU and the economic renaissance of Youngstown.

Chemical research labs, especially government and military facilities, would make great fits for the endangered Vienna Air Base. Ryan has said the maintenance of the air base is one of his top priorities and has promised to pursue its continued service.

But the air base needs outfits. With President Bush's foreign policy signaling an increased commitment to military build-up, there is some clear potential for YSU to team with the air base.

Congressman Ryan, Youngstown Mayor George McKelvey and President Sweet would be foolish not to pursue several firms to relocate here. New firms would give graduates the option of staying at home rather than going to research elsewhere.

At a time like this, what good would it be to have such a prolific program if it won't contribute to the community?

Congratulations to the Chemistry department. Here's hoping we can find a way for you to stay local when you graduate.

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## SAYING GOODBYE

### 'Coach D' will be missed

Editor:

"Coach D" — thank you for everything — caring and loving your players before and after graduation, keeping your word to your players, teaching "your girls" basketball and life, your players' phenomenal graduation rate, standing up and defeating those who attempted to submarine your incredibly successful program, eating your "cookies" every year in spite of Pauline (inside joke), bringing excellence to Beeghly and so much more! Congratulations — your achievements on and off the court are manifested in the successful lives and positive contributions to society of all your former and current players.

Good luck and god bless you and your family! You will be missed!

With profound respect and gratitude,

Rick Berger  
Boardman

## READERS' LETTERS

### America, Iraq and YSU

\* Is an anti-war protest unpatriotic? Does participating in one show a sign of disrespect for troops? Students and faculty have mixed views on this divisive subject.

Editor:

I am writing as one who "supports the troops yet opposes the war in Iraq". I sympathize with the concern of Jambar staff writer, Jami Boninsegna, as well as with many others who maintain that protesting the war in Iraq only creates divisions at a time of great stress and anxiety in our nation. Unfortunately, war produces divisions within any society that is at war. In the current situation, different people have greatly differing perceptions as to the extent to which the current Iraqi regime actually poses a direct threat to the American people. Given this state of affairs, how could the war not be divisive?

I do support our armed forces engaged in combat. I want this conflict to end quickly, and I pray that the Iraqi leadership realizes the futility of further resistance against our vast military superiority. Our soldiers are obliged to carry out their orders, and I hope that as few as possible die or are injured performing their duties.

In my mind, this war has raised many questions. Before this conflict ends, it seems to me that the total body count could very easily run into the tens of

thousands of U.S. and Iraqi soldiers and Iraqi citizens. The greatly restricted nature of war reporting adopted in the



Saddam Hussein

first Persian Gulf conflict prevented the average American from glimpsing the scope of human carnage that resulted from that war. Mass graves were bulldozed over well before journalists, news reporters, and camera people were allowed on to the battlefields.

The loss of civilian lives and U.S. lives is likely to be far greater in the cur-

rent conflict, which very likely will entail urban warfare.

I disagree with the president's decision to preemptively invade Iraq and topple its regime. It is not that I am a fan of a fascist dictator, but I do not believe that either the war on terrorism (which is currently being waged in ways that I do support) or the perceived threat to our safety from chemical/biological weapons is a sufficient cause to justify the enormous loss of life, the massive amount of destruction, and the horrible amount of human suffering that a war on this scale will surely bring.

I would like to believe as many do that this war will result in few lives lost, very little suffering, a new democratic regime in Iraq, and the respect and gratitude of the Iraqi people and their neighbors in the middle east. Sadly, this is only a dream. I do not expect the reality of the situation to be even close to this dream. I hope that I am mistaken.

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### "... How is exercising our constitutionally provided rights 'tearing it apart?'"

Editor:

I am growing increasingly tired of the assumptions being made of the current anti-war movement, which is outlined in Jami Boninsegna's March 25 Jambar article in one of the most closed-minded versions I have had the displeasure of reading.

First of all, there were no riots! Less than 100 people were arrested nationwide during any single day of protesting since the war began, and the vast majority was charged with nothing more than civil disobedience. The violence that we saw was the result of a biased news organization slanting the story to show only its most abrasive aspects.

Secondly, how is exercising our constitutionally provided rights "tearing it apart?" I, along with many more, see the anti-war movement as infinitely more patriotic than supporting a madman's decision to sacrifice 250,000 American lives in the name of imperialism.

To answer the question posed in the editorial: absolutely not. In times such as these, when our unelected president ignores a billion people (almost five times the U.S. population)

and dismisses them as "irrelevant" and "of no consequence," it could never be time to set differences aside. And why would we, so we too can be complicit in the biggest mistake in 55 years? We have been against this action ever since its first proposal less than a month ago into our current illegitimate presidency.

It may seem easy to quietly disagree with the cause while it preempted the action, and resort to character attacks and stereotypes when it is ignored and appears to be lost, but that ease only comes with a closed mind, misunderstanding and vast disrespect.

If you were really worried about a dichotomy emerging, then why are you fanning its flames? Referring to protesters as "so-called Americans" is about as confrontational a statement as I have ever heard, and is similar to telling Babe Ruth that he is a disgrace to the game of baseball.

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### "Under the guise of 'liberators,' an American and British coalition moves forward while goose-stepping for democracy ..."

Editor:

With Gulf War II well underway, many of you have been searching for answers that justify all of the grim images we are seeing. Some of us have already justified President Bush's position as a charismatic leader in search of bringing down a tyrant.

Other trappings of justifications have included United Nations resolutions violations, state-sponsored terrorism via 9/11 and of course weapons of mass destruction.

When the Bush administration was pressed for specifics regarding these accusations, we were all given a "just trust me on this" sort of response. Therefore, many have agreed to stand by their president while waving yellow ribbons and chanting "U.S.A." repeatedly on street corners

across America. One must wonder if these seemingly well-intended Americans understand the implications of a victory and the costly imperial duties that would follow.

It's these factors that must be regarded with extreme caution and understanding.

The U.S. role in the Persian Gulf since the first Gulf War is best described as that of dual containment of Iraq and Iran (or better known as Mr. Bush's ill-advised expression of the "Axis of Evil"). Without the constant and extremely expensive military presence of thousands in and around the Gulf, Kuwait cannot survive without a protector.

Furthermore, the Bush administration's global glut for oil can no longer be covered up as the oil rich fields of Iraq are seen as a tasty morsel for future corporate

barons. Under the guise of "liberators," an American and British coalition moves forward while goose-stepping for democracy from Basra to Mosul and Baghdad. Such an occurrence is seen as progress by many and a natural progression for the next war that could be launched at Iran from a favorable puppet regime of the United States and its cohorts.

However, such a proposition at this time seems a grand illusion similar to that of Iraqis embracing their invaders and a quick finish to the war. Much more blood will be necessary in fulfilling what the first President Bush referred to as an approaching New World Order.

Matt Boggs  
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### "This is not the time to roll over and embrace the president just so that people won't think we don't support the troops."

Editorial:

When someone protests the administration's policies, it is an entirely separate issue from that of supporting our troops.

I grew up with a father spending 10 years on battlefields off the coast of Vietnam. I finally saw him come home when I turned 17. I also was against the war, and I made my viewpoint known.

I now have three close friends with 4 kids in the military, and I love those kids and want them to stay home. I protest the war because the policy is BAD. Note, there is nothing in my wording that references non-support of the troops. Let's keep these kids here unless there is absolutely no other alternative.

This country is polarized, much as it was when I grew up, because too many people make the assumption that supporting the pres. equals supporting the troops. But nonsupport of the president is not equal to nonsupport of the troops. Same holds

for Saddam. I don't support him either.

This is not the time to stop protesting policy. This is not the time to roll over and embrace the president just so that people won't think we don't support the troops.

It might be time for those that support the pres. to look into how we treat our troops when we aren't at "war."

Supporting our troops means voting for people that actually support our troops by not cutting funding to the military members to keep them off welfare, to keep them covered by medical insurance, to see to it they can afford to have decent housing. Take a look at the new budget, and tell me how well we support the troops in this country. The best way we can support them is to vote for people that WILL support our troops.

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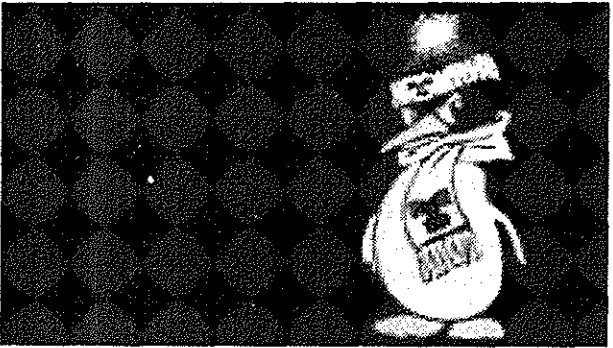
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## Professor returns, discusses new book

By ALICIA HOUSTON  
The Jambar

Former English Professor Bonnie James Shaker visited campus Tuesday to discuss her new book, "Coloring Locals: Racial Formation in Kate Chopin's Youth Companion Stories," published by the University of Iowa Press.

The book, released in January, focuses on the literary works of Chopin, author of "Young Dr. Gosse," "At Fault" and the more popular, "The Awakening."

Shaker said she has spent about a decade researching Chopin, including four years researching specifically for her book and two years in production.

"What Kate Chopin accomplished was a small miracle because she was a female writer in a time when there weren't many women writers," Shaker said.

In graduate school, Shaker said that she and other students asked her professors, "Where are the women writers?"

The answer that Shaker said she received was that there weren't any women writers, or at least any worth studying. This launched what Shaker calls an "archeological movement" to find female writers in history.

Shaker said that she is from a generation which found new ways to talk about women writers.

The book examines Chopin's children's stories in the 19th Century periodical the "Youth's Companion," and dispels the misconceptions that have previously been written about Chopin.

Shaker said that she is the first to take a sustained look at Chopin's stories in the "Youth's Companion." Her goal was to find out if Chopin's stories were different than the ones in her books.

Shaker said she found that Chopin's stories in the "Youth's Companion" embraced orthodox notions of femininity and masculinity. She also said she discovered that Chopin depicted people of color in an unsympathetic fashion.

At a conference in Louisiana that focused on Kate Chopin, Shaker attended a lecture given by Sandra Gunning, who is now a professor at the University of Michigan. Shaker said this encounter launched her into the field of race studies. She began to critique cultural influences.

Gunning's research highlighted the fact that Chopin depicted women of color as willing servants or freed slaves who preferred subservience to freedom.

Shaker said that her new book covers the spectrums of cultural criticism, race studies and women's studies. Her primary audience for the book was undergraduate students.

In the future, Shaker said that she would like to write essays about parenting and has no immediate plans to teach.

Shaker will be holding another discussion of her book at Barnes and Nobles in Boardman at 7 p.m. Friday.

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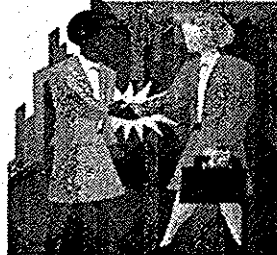
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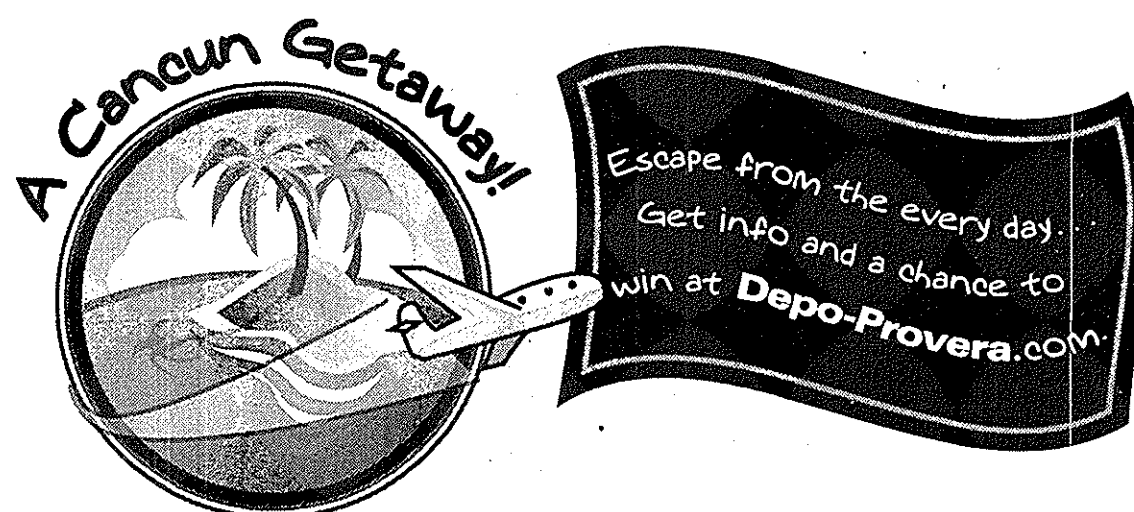
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# American Cancer Society plans scholarship

By Sara Tkac  
The Jambor

The Ohio division of the American Cancer Society has initiated a scholarship program for students who have survived cancer as children or young adults.

Al Stabalito, director of Communications and Advocacy for the Eastern Region ACS, said 103 people were awarded \$1,000 scholarships in the last fiscal year.

Seven of those scholarships were awarded locally in Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana counties.

He said the scholarship program began in 2000 and is open to all college-bound cancer survivors who are Ohio residents.

Applicants must also have been diagnosed with cancer

before the age of 21 and must be younger than 25 at the time of application.

An independent volunteer committee reviews all applications and awards the scholarships based on scholastic achievement, leadership, and community service. The deadline to apply for a scholarship has passed for this fiscal year, and the awardees will be notified by the end of spring.

"Not all applicants can be awarded scholarships," Stabalito said.

He said the agency is a volunteer-based organization that raised \$22 million nationwide in the 2001-02 fiscal year. Locally \$1.8 million was raised in the tri-county area, with \$1.3 million of that raised by their yearly event, the ACS Relay for Life.

"Relay for Life is the signature event of our organiza-

tion," Stabalito said. "It raises the majority of our funds. More importantly, it is focused on cancer survivors."

The first ACS Relay for Life this year will be held at YSU on Saturday, April 25 at 6 p.m. Beeghly Center will host the event, which ends at 6 p.m. Sunday, April 26.

The money raised from the Relay for Life not only funds the scholarships, but it also goes to fund free camps.

"The camps are for children 7-15 years old who have cancer, or are in remission," said Stabalito. Last year, he said, 25,000-30,000 people took part in the event in the tri-county area.

The Relay for Life lasts for a 24-hour period, during which time there are several events and festivities, including a lap taken around the

track by all attending cancer survivors.

Each community has its own Relay for Life, and it is open to anyone who wishes to participate. There are 192 Relay for Life events in the state of Ohio, including five in Trumbull and Mahoning counties, and two in Columbiana County.

Stabalito said the relay event consists of teams of 10-15 people. Each person is expected to raise \$100. One person from each team walks around the track for the actual "relay" part.

"The event is fun and non-competitive," said Stabalito. He said that ACS also uses the event as an educational tool. There are lectures on cancer prevention and information is distributed to participants.

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Nothing. "What is the difference between the Bush administration and those guilty of treason?" Nothing. What is the difference between September 11 and the bombing of Baghdad? Nothing.

T.J. Williams sang an original song he wrote, "In Between," about what is in between life and death, and war and peace. "Too many folks have died because of the war," Williams said.

Brady expressed his own feelings about the war. "The consequences of the war will be increased terrorism," he said. "Saddam Hussein was not our first goal.

There are many other countries that are more of a dire threat to us but Saddam Hussein is a symbolic target.

"This war is being fought for political reasons." — PHILLIP BRADY  
English Professor

The poetry night ended with an announcement of Saturday's anti-war rally, scheduled for noon at the Federal Courthouse in Downtown Youngstown.

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might go up," he said, but added that this isn't indicative of a rise in the overall crime rate.

For example, there was a rise in motor vehicle thefts from 1990 to 1991. In 1990, 33 vehicles were stolen, and in 1991 over twice that amount, 14 vehicles in all were stolen and reported to the YSU police.

However, since that time and until 2001, the number of stolen cars decreased. In 2001, it was zero.

Gocala added that though the area surrounding YSU is in the mutual aid area - the area of the city in which the YSU and the YPD work together - the campus crime statistics do not reflect incidents within those blocks.

"That's the city," he said. As reported in The Jambor,

in 2002 several cars at YSU were reported stolen or broken into, however police discovered the crimes to be the work of one group of juveniles.

Since being arrested for the car break-ins at YSU, Gocala said the group has been arrested again by the Youngstown City Police.

Motor vehicle theft is not the only crime that has seen a significant decline on the YSU campus over the past thirteen years.

Burglary, which was reported eight times in 1991, came down to six reports in 2001. In fact, in 1998 and 1999, only one burglary was reported to have happened on the YSU campus each year.

Violent crimes, as well, are rare on campus, and have been for a few years.

In both 1990 and in 2001, no homicides or sex offenses, such as rape or sexual assault, were reported.

"I don't think we've ever had a murder on campus," Pierce said. "That's saying something when it's an inner-city campus."

In fact, during the decade of 1990-2001, only three such offenses were reported. One sexual battery happened in 1993, an acquaintance rape was reported in 1994 and a rape in 2000.

Pierce said he attributes the low crime rate to people being more aware of risks.

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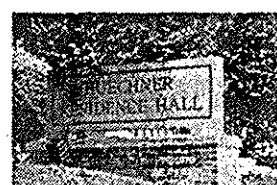
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**How effective is DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**

The effectiveness of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection depends on following the recommended dosage schedule exactly. (See "How often do I get my shot of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?" to make sure you are not pregnant when you first get DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection.) Your first injection must be given ONLY during the first 5 days of a normal menstrual period. ONLY after 12 months of not using any other form of birth control. ONLY if you are sure you are not pregnant. ONLY if you are not breastfeeding. ONLY if you are not taking any other drugs that may interact with DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection. ONLY if you are not taking any other drugs that may interact with DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection.

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**What are the risks of using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**

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**Should any precautions be followed during use of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**

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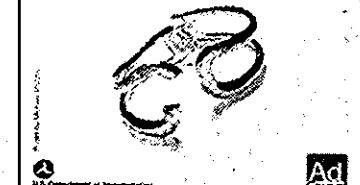
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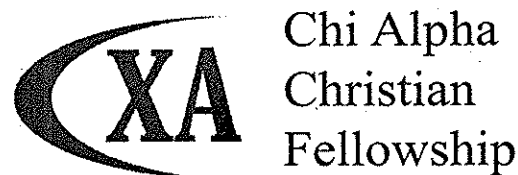
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# Entertainment



## New play is a kissin' good time

BY TRINA QUARLES  
The Jambar

Many people have experienced a kiss so powerful that it seems to stop time, but few have experienced a kiss so powerful that it literally stops time.

YSU Theater's latest presentation, "Stop Kiss," is the story of the relationship of two women.

A rabbi, a priest, other community members and those attending performances of "Stop Kiss" will have an opportunity to share their thoughts about gay rights issues, society and their own values after the play.

After each performance, audience members are invited to join some community leaders in a discussion of the issues raised in the play.

Among those taking part in the symposium are Barbara Orton, director of Equal Opportunity and Diversity at YSU; Rabbi Franklin Muller of congregation Rodef Shalom; Sister Regina Rogers of the Ursuline Sisters; and Terry Esarco, from the Pride Center of Greater Youngstown. Other community and religious leaders and YSU faculty will also take part in the discussion.

The play focuses on the life of a young married woman who relocates from St. Louis to New York because she is feeling useless and needs a change.

Once in New York, she befriends another young woman and the relationship becomes more than friendly. When the couple is seen kissing openly, they are attacked and the young married woman goes into a coma.

Her family from St. Louis arrives to bring her back home and look after her. She is then faced with the dilemma of old life versus new life.

The play addresses several issues facing society today and may cause a controversial stir.

The director of the production isn't worried about that possibility.

"I really don't have any concerns about doing the play here," director Dennis Henneman said. "I have done more controversial plays at schools that were more conservative than YSU and it has never been a problem."

"I don't have any preconceived notions as to what reaction the audience will have," Henneman, a professor of Communication and Theater, said. "I just want them to walk away understanding themselves better."

The play opens at 8 p.m. tonight at Bliss Hall. After that, it can be seen at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m. April 4-5 and at 3 p.m. on March 30 and April 6.

Elizabeth Tabak contributed to this article.

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## THE FACE OF PUNK ROCK



By Lisa/The Jambar

**HEY HO, LETS GO:** Local punk rockers Johnie 3 played The Nyabinghi Sunday night. The band played in preparation for their mini-tour this week. The band played Pittsburgh yesterday, and will play two nights in Philadelphia, tonight and Saturday. Visit [www.thelowbudgets.com/bungalowcam](http://www.thelowbudgets.com/bungalowcam) to see a live web feed of their show Saturday night.



## Linkin Park flops with latest release

BY RYAN MCCABE  
The Jambar

When your debut album sells more than 5 million copies and becomes the top seller of 2001, what do you do for an encore?

If you're Linkin Park, you shrug off the astronomical expectations for your follow up album and hope to avoid the second album jinx that has doomed once promising bands in the past such as Silverchair, Seven Mary 3 and most recently, 3 Doors Down.

Sadly, on their new album "Metora," Linkin Park succumbs to the curse.

The new album is a step up from last summer's dismal and ill-conceived remix album, "Reanimation," but it's also a far cry from their in-your-face debut, "Hybrid Theory."

Not a single song on "Metora" even comes close to matching the pulse-pounding guitar riffs or catchy choruses that infused so much life and energy into "Hybrid Theory."

The first single, "Somewhere I Belong," is tolerable, but treads familiar ground the band covered with "Hybrid Theory's" chart topping smash "In the End." For all intents and purposes, "Easier to Run" essentially is "In the End," but without the catchy piano accompaniment.

The band should be applauded for their efforts to be more artistically creative, but it just feels like they're trying too hard. The tracks are over-produced and the music doesn't mesh well with the lyrics.

In their efforts to be creative, the boys



Photo courtesy of linkinpark.com

**NICE HAIR:** Heavy metal boy-band Linkin Park's latest release "Metora" is a far cry from their debut "Hybrid Theory." The band will tour this summer with Metallica and Limp Bizkit as part of The Summer Sanitarium Tour.

have also gone soft. Almost half of the tracks are sappy ballads and upbeat little ditties that recall the glory days of the 1980s.

Want proof? Just listen to "Breaking the Habit," an upbeat folk-fest that will make you want to grab your girl and do the polka.

Perhaps the most annoying song is "Nobody's Listening," which incorporates an Indian-theme musical track with lead singer Chester Bennington's vocals and emcee Mike Shinoda's rapping. The end result is like alley cats screeching along while a toddler bangs pots and pans

together.

In all, "Metora" boasts 12 new tracks (the first track "Foreword," is merely a 10-second clip of raindrops and glass breaking) that clock in at just over 36 minutes.

Honestly, is it really that hard to come up with 50 or 60 minutes worth of material? (And the record companies wonder why people get so upset with the astronomical price of CD's)

At least most retailers have been advertising "Metora" at the "bargain" rate of \$9.99, but trust me — it's not worth it.



## Lazy love courtesy of your home PC

Has the Internet taken over our lives — even our love lives?

Think about it. We get information and research online. We book our plane tickets, find hotels, buy our clothes, sell our old stuff, get directions, send cards, listen to music, read the newspaper, and even pay our bills on line.

But that is just the beginning. We've now begun to let the Internet play with our emotions. These days we have turned to our PCs and laptops for all of our relationship needs.

The computer has become everything from a relationship therapist to the dating game. For many of us, meeting a significant other is not easy. Everything from lack of meeting decent people to lack of decent places to go has made us feel as if "single" could be a word we might have to live with forever.

So what did we do? Went online. Thousands of Web sites and chat rooms have been devoted to meeting someone with hopes of a relationship, whether you are male or female, gay or straight, too skinny or too fat, and even married or single.

Millions of people are turning to these sites whether it's just to chat with someone, or with real hopes of actually meeting them one day.

And when our relationships don't work out, whether they are "real life" or online, we are turning to the Internet to solve our problems. The

computer has made it easier, and more confidential, to seek advice on your love life — whether it's intimate or emotional. Maybe it's chatting with someone else to get advice, or buying a book online that you wouldn't want to be seen buying in the store.

As if dating was not hard enough before, we have succeeded at complicating it even more.

We have also made a connection — not a love connection — but one between our real life relationships and the computer.

What happened to the good old days of "Can I get your phone number?" In 2003, Dating 101 has taught us that you are supposed to say, "Can I get your screen name?"

Real vocal conversation no longer exists, these days it's all about instant messaging. If it's been more than two days and someone hasn't e-mailed you, that's a bad sign.

Maybe it's easier that way. You have to say a lot less to someone than if you were on the phone, because it takes more time to type.

People break up, make up, and even cheat through e-mail. We have let go of talking, making eye contact and body language, opting for a less intimate way of life.

I'm not one to say if this whole new outlook on love is a good thing or a bad thing, but it does say something about the people we have become. We have let real social interaction become a thing of the past.

"We have also made a connection — not a love connection — but one between our real life relationships and the computer."

## Weekend Calendar

**Nyabinghi, Friday** - Clock Eating Planet. **Saturday** - One Ton Drunk, Mississippi Gun Club. **Sunday** - ALL AGES 6 p.m., Spathole Relevant, Painslaved, Kaligo.

**Cedars, Friday** - Junkyard Puppies. **Saturday** - The Conceited, Isabella the Brave, My Sister the Sun.

**The Cellar, Friday** - Disco Away. **Saturday** - Manifold Stud, Waiting Could Crush.

**Plaza Cafe, Friday** - Livid, Favorite Action Hero, Isabella the Brave. **Saturday** - Reclining Nude.

**The Splash, Friday** - **Sunday** - Shockwave Metal Fest. 3 days of heavy metal, featuring over two dozen metal bands.