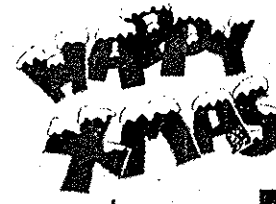


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Clinton to visit Akron Wednesday

Town hall meeting to focus on race relations.

LOU YUHASZ
 ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

President Clinton will visit Akron Wednesday to hold the first national town hall meeting dealing with the future of race relations in this country.

Clinton will attend a town hall style meeting before an invitation only crowd at the E.J. Thomas Hall at the University of Akron. Also at



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the meeting will be a pre-selected panel of three students, three authors and three Akron area community leaders. Local political leaders will also be participating on stage.

The town hall meeting will be broadcast live to the James A. Rhodes Arena, also at the University of Akron, where an estimated 2,200 people will be attending. Clinton is expected to make a brief appearance at the arena after the meeting.

YSU students who wish to attend should contact *The Jambar* to set reservations. *The Jambar* has a block of 20 seats reserved and may increase that number as long as seats are available. All seats are on a first-come, first-served basis. You must show your YSU student ID to claim your seats.

Dave Nypaver, University of Akron's University Communications, said seating was still available, but he expects reservations to fill up by Tuesday afternoon.

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Defense on the move



REACHING HIGH: YSU players Chris Glantzis and Jauron Dailey, right, stretch to block Hampton University's quarterback's view during Saturday's game.

World AIDS Day promotes global awareness, education

TRACIE KNIGHT
 EDITOR IN CHIEF

Recently, people were stunned by how many individuals a New Jersey man had infected with HIV — some even after he was aware he had acquired the virus. The world celebrated World AIDS Day Dec. 1 by demonstrating an international commitment to stop ignorance about AIDS and to foster awareness and education.

On a local level, Youngstown's Mayor Pat Ungaro presented awards to children from the Lincoln Place Education Center who created posters concerning AIDS/HIV awareness. He called AIDS education a "major issue in the world" and said he supported the event and education programs.

"I am real active, and I have supported these programs. [Presenting the awards] is my way of thanking people who are involved in education and especially with young kids," said Ungaro.

Since this year's World AIDS Day centered around a "Give Children Hope in a World of AIDS" theme, Lynn Harmicar-Duffey, an AIDS educator for the Youngstown Health Department, just as a "fluke," asked the students if they wanted to make posters. She has volunteered her time for the past six months to educate the students at Lincoln Place, who are non-local, high-risk children.

Jeff Saachetti, who works at the Lincoln Place Education Center,



Lynn Harmicar-Duffey and Mayor Pat Ungaro join forces during World AIDS Day.

said Harmicar-Duffey's influence and this poster project has taught the children many things.

"The kids learned a lot about AIDS, safe sex and STDs. Lynn has taught them the latest research and about staying safe, but they made these posters 100 percent on their own. They did the research and drawing all by themselves, and I am really proud," he said.

Harmicar-Duffey said many benefits result from a full day of dedication to AIDS awareness.

"Any time there is an opportunity to stop and think about AIDS and reflect on it, that's good. These events and activities [for World AIDS day] do just that. People may remember someone they lost to AIDS, talk to their kids about AIDS or think about who should teach AIDS education and how," said Harmicar-Duffey.

Harmicar-Duffey said it is almost impossible to keep up-to-date with AIDS education and information.

"Every day there is something in the news about HIV/AIDS. This one day brings it all into focus," she said. "Kids tell me every day that Magic Johnson is cured. Medicines are helping, but we are so far from a cure. We get lulled into a false sense of security unless we remain educated," she said.

Since this is one of his final duties as mayor, Mayor Ungaro commented on whether his involvement in supporting education and AIDS awareness would end with his term.

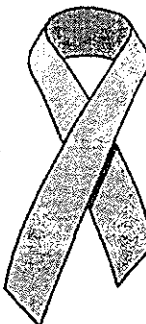
"I'll probably remain active in a lot of organizations — as a volunteer. I don't want to retire, so I'll still be out there kicking," he said.

Karen Clark-Green, director of Arch Angel Fine and Applied Arts Center in Phar Mor Plaza, downtown, donated space to display the posters and hold the press conference and reception Monday.

Dec. 1 has been set aside as World AIDS day since 1988 after a summit of world health ministers called for a greater exchange of information on HIV/AIDS to help prevent the spread of HIV and to gain awareness and education.

The United States by the American Association for World Health sponsors World AIDS day in the United States. Internationally, it is organized by the joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS, based in Geneva, Switzerland.

The following places in the Youngstown area provide HIV and AIDS information:



• The Youngstown Health Department AIDS Unit offers presentations for schools, colleges, groups and businesses on AIDS education. Literature is also available.

• The Mahoning County Area Task Force on AIDS provides patients with food, utilities, housing, referral services, "buddy" training, support groups and healing weekends.

• Call the Youngstown AIDS Hotline at (330) 747-2696 for information and referral.

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World Aids Day Factoids

TELA DURBIN
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

SAN FRANCISCO — The University of California at San Francisco has developed what it says is the largest AIDS Research Institute outside the National Institutes of Health. It will bring together 1,000 researchers under one organization and provide financial and practical support for projects such as vaccine research, development of new therapies, prevention science, AIDS policy and ethics research.

MANGSHI, China — Sick and dying AIDS patients in China are not under care from doctors, but instead are under the strict supervision of wardens in labor camps. In 2010, it is predicted China will have more than 10 million cases.

LONDON — Singer Elton John put 10,000 of his outfits on sale Friday to raise money for his AIDS Foundation. The clothes ranged from shirts priced at six pounds to suits costing up to 2,000 pounds. Organizers in the Elton John Aids Foundation hope to raise 500,000 pounds second-hand from the outfits that were priced at 2.5 million pounds new.

LOS ANGELES — Out of the Closet, the largest AIDS-related retail business in the United States, opened its eleventh store today in Pasadena, Calif. Out of the Closet is one of L.A.'s premier vintage clothing stores and raised approximately \$2.4 million last year for the AIDS Healthcare Foundation.

LONDON — Medical researchers said Friday they are "cautiously optimistic" that new drugs being developed could lead to an effective AIDS vaccine. News that said AIDS cases have soared to 30 million worldwide prompted doctors in Britain to say a small trial of a potential vaccine had proved promising.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Haiti's Ministry of Public Health said nearly seven out of every 15 children living on the streets of Port-Au-Prince is infected with the AIDS virus. In 1995, approximately 4,000 newborns were born HIV-positive, and more than 25,000 children under the age of 15 will be orphaned in the next two years in Haiti, according to a new study from the National Strategic Plan for the Prevention and Control of AIDS.

WASHINGTON — There has been sobering news here as of late. Scientists have recently admitted that the "AIDS cocktail" — a cocktail of drugs that offered a hope of a cure — cannot eradicate the virus. They have also been told it is too soon to try the AIDS vaccine considered most hopeful, and the HIV epidemic is worse than anybody thought. However, through their work, scientists are gaining a better understanding of HIV and how it operates in the human body.

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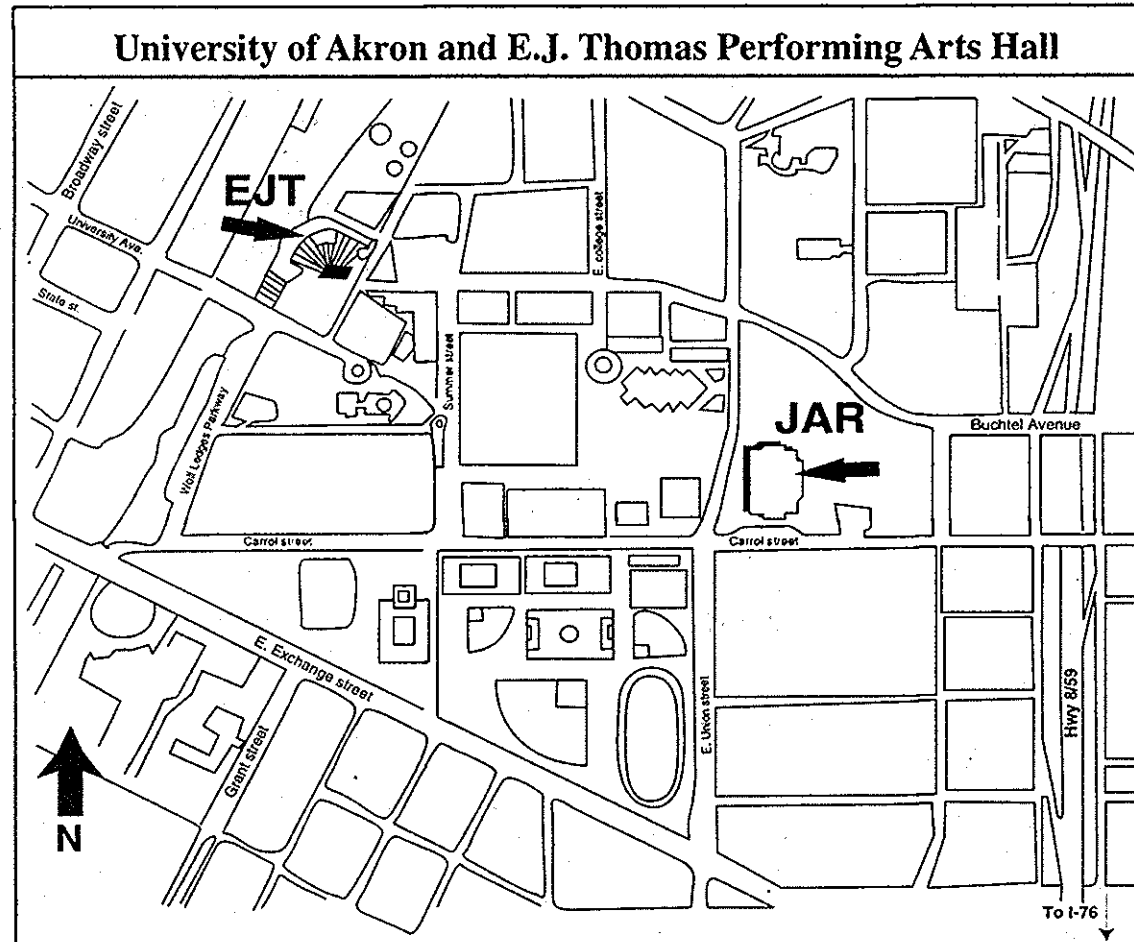
If you wish to get tickets for the arena, they will be available at four locations: City of Akron Customer service office, 166 S. High St., Joy Park Community Center, 825 Fuller St., Forest Lodge Park Community Center, 260 Greenwood Ave., and the office of U.S. Rep. Tom Sawyer, 411 Wolf Ledges Parkway, Suite 105. Those interested in tickets must present a photo ID between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesday.

The town meeting is scheduled for around 11 a.m., and Clinton is expected at the arena around 2 p.m. For security reasons neither exact times nor the names of panelists could be confirmed.

Akron was selected in part by its continuing efforts to promote racial harmony. Akron is home of the "Coming Together Project," a privately funded charity initiative.

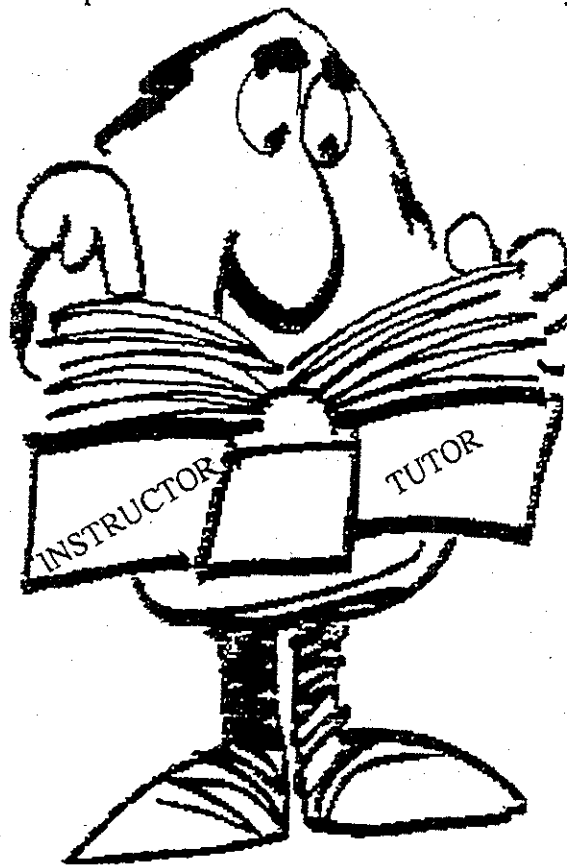
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Christmas around the world:

The first instrument on which the carol "Silent Night" was played was a guitar. Although written for the organ, the one at the church in Austria where the song was composed was rusted too badly to be played.

In Guatemala, children receive their gift Christmas Day, from the Christ child. Their parents, however, must wait until the Epiphany Jan. 6, the day the wise men supposedly visited the manger, to get their gifts.

St. Nicholas was a bishop in Turkey. It was originally the Dutch who popularized him as a Christmas gift giver.

In Italy, children also receive their gifts Jan. 6. This time the gift giver is Befana, a woman who sheltered the wise men on their journey to Bethlehem.

The carol "Jingle Bells" was originally written as a Thanksgiving Day song.

In Armenia, the traditional Christmas dinner commemorates the last meal Mary ate before giving birth. It consists of fried fish, lettuce and spinach.

In Syria, one of the wise men's camels give gifts.

In Holland, Santa Claus is accompanied by his servant, Black Peter, who bags bad children and carries them off to live in Spain.

The 12 days of Christmas are the days from Christ's birth to the Epiphany. The Christmas carol "The Twelve Days of Christmas" was written during a period of religious persecution of Catholics in England. Each "gift" represents a Catholic catechism.

In Russia, Santa Claus is known as Grandfather Frost and wears a blue outfit.

The Jambar staff wishes the entire YSU community Happy Holidays! Enjoy the break!



Organization of the Week

LGBT advocates awareness, understanding of gay lifestyle

TRACIE KNIGHT
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Imagine feeling uncomfortable in your own skin. Wondering what is wrong with you and why you feel a certain way. Imagine what you would do if there was no one to talk to about it. Many gay people live in silence, not understanding their own sexuality or receiving any understanding or help. One YSU student organization strives to stop the silence and offer support — the Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals and Transgenders organization.

Adam Trzynka, LGBT president, said the organization of more than 15 members will be taking a proactive stance this year.

"Our main goal is to get awareness and provide outreach — not just on gay issues — but on all diversity issues. And to get the issues out into the forefront to talk about them and encourage open dialogue through programming, speakers, participating in events that promote diversity and awareness and showing movies in the Pub," he said.

Ellen Degeneres' famous coming-out on her show "Ellen" coined a trademark joke concerning getting a free toaster for recruiting enough people to become gay. Trzynka said gay members of LGBT do not push their chosen lifestyle onto others, but just want people to be informed about gay issues.

"It is impossible to recruit people to be gay — they either are or aren't. We want to wake people up, make them aware and let them know [gay people] are here to stay. LGBT wants to let people know that it is safe to live open and to help individuals be comfortable with their coming out. Programming could help some people make that decision and foster their coming out," he said.

Members of the group are not required to be gay to join — they just have to have an interest in

prompting awareness in the community on gay and diversity issues.

"Students also don't have to be 'out' to be part of the group — there is no list of group member's names and numbers — and you don't have to be gay to join.

Gay members of society have become more accepted in the national limelight, yet confidentiality and trust are still important issues to the gay community — LGBT is aware of the need for privacy of its members. Trzynka said members should not fear joining may disrupt their life or force them to come out prematurely.

"If members request it, the doors to the meetings can be closed — everything that occurs in meetings is kept private and members would not be asked to take part in any programming that forced them into the forefront unless they want to be," said Trzynka.

Dr. Copeland, English, has been an adviser to student gay organizations for more than three years and in the '70s he advised a gay rights' organization also. He said he was excited about changes and increased membership.

"There is no one else to [advise this group] — I am glad to do it. [LGBT] is a good group of students. We are finding out what we're here for and finding focus and direction," said Copeland.

Student organizations form for many different reasons. LGBT formed to provide awareness and outreach, but also for social reasons.

Trzynka said the social aspects of the organization are obvious. He said, "They meet to provide a comfortable atmosphere for gay students to interact with one another."

If interested in the organization or meeting times, call 742-3497 and leave a message for Adam Trzynka. The meeting times and dates for winter quarter will be set at a meeting Thursday.



ALL STRUNG OUT: Mike Connair, employee of Davey Tree, restrings the Christmas lights on campus grounds.

Butler boasts origin of famous holiday poem

TELA DURBIN
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

An interesting piece of Christmas history resides in the Butler Institute of Art, although most people are probably quite unaware of it. The painting that is the basis of the poem "Twas the Night Before Christmas" hangs unnoticed to most in the room directly to the left of the museum.

The picture was painted in 1838 by Robert Weir, and the poem was written about 20 years later by the poet Clement Moore. The painting is one of four, which are at different museums around the globe. Retired U.S. Navy Captain Alan Stephan, a docent at the Butler, said it was not unusual for an artist to paint duplicate copies of a successful picture and change it just a little bit. He thinks the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York also owns a copy of the painting.

"The poem was written specifically from the painting," said Stephan. "Saint Nicholas has his finger at his nose, and the stockings are hung from the chimney with care. Saint Nicholas is also very elfish looking, because that is what the people of the time thought he looked like."

The painting at the Butler also features one of the stockings on the chimney filled only with straw while the other is filled with gifts.

"I guess the little boy or girl wasn't very good that year," said Stephan.

On the floor of the picture are a lemon peel and bits of a broken pipe from Saint Nicholas' hat. Stephan said citrus fruits were very valuable during that period and were often left for Saint Nick instead of the cookies and milk left today.

"People often ask, 'What are cigarettes doing on the floor?'" said Stephan, when referring to the bits of broken pipe.

"I think it's pretty cool that the Butler has a picture of that importance," said Jeff Hall, junior, professional writing and editing.

Stephan said Weir was an art instructor at the Military Academy at West Point and was part of an organization called the Knickerbockers whose members also included Washington Irving, author of the famous "Rip Van Winkle" tale. He also said Weir's son Julian became a more famous artist than his father.

Auction raises funds for Newman Center

EILEEN CATANZARO
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Traditionally, the first day of the Christmas shopping season is the day after Thanksgiving. The malls are crowded, parking spaces are limited and the holiday shoppers find themselves caught in traffic jams.

But for some savvy YSU students and staff members, Christmas shopping was made easier November 25 when the Newman Student Organization sponsored their third annual Benefit Auction in the Chestnut Room in Kilcawley Center.

Artwork, gift packages, dinner certificates and jewelry were among some of the 90 items auctioned to raise funds for the Newman Student Organization.

All the items for the auction were donated by local merchants and by different organizations and departments of YSU. Paul McPadden served as auctioneer.

Sister Pat Slater, SND, director of the Newman Center, made proxy bids for those people who were unable to stay for the entire event.

The auction will help students of the organization spread some holiday cheer to those who might not otherwise find this time of year to be quite so cheerful.

Some proceeds from the auction are used to prepare Thanksgiving baskets, said Sr. Slater. "We obtain the names of families from St. Patrick's Church on Oak Hill and from the Head Start program at Beeghly Center," she said.

Other proceeds will be used to fund a holiday party for the residents of Beatitude House, a shelter for women and children. Brenda Crouse, peer minister for the Newman Student Organization, said the woman and children receive gifts to help them celebrate the Christmas season.

Students who volunteer to buy these presents are given a list of the number of children and their ages. "Proceeds from the auction are used to by the presents and food for the party," added Sr. Slater.

For the party, students will decorate the center and the Christmas tree. Before presents are given, the story of St. Nicholas will be read. St. Nick, who late became known as Santa Claus, will be on hand to pass out the children's gifts.

Correction: In The Jambar's Nov. 25 issue, "Goals mandate change in general education" incorrectly stated that the academic senate would be reviewing a general education proposal Dec. 3. The proposal is in committee and the academic senate will not be making a judgement on it until next quarter.

Campus Calendar

Tuesday
 Nontraditional Student Organization will meet from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Kilcawley Center Arcade. The NTSO Giving Tree - Take a star give a gift.

Thursday
 LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Transgender) student organization

meeting at 12:30 in Kilcawley, Cardinal Room. Discuss meeting time for winter term. Very important to attend.

Pre-Physical Therapy Society meeting at 4 p.m. in Cushwa, room B046. All pre-physical therapy students are invited. Contact Jodi Patrick at 742-3324.

Thursday to Dec. 12

Society of Automotive Engineers, Toys for Tots Drive. Please help SAE help the less fortunate. Do-

nate a new unopened toy. Drop-off toy at the Mechanical Engineering Department Office, on the second floor of the engineering building, room 2510.

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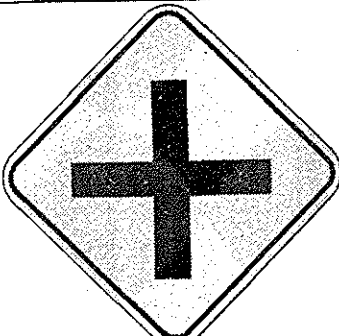
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March 25 to 29

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Join the Jambar Writer's Club Jan. 29 at 1 p.m. in the Chestnut room for the first session of the Fight to Unite series: "Let's talk about race." If you would like to recommend anyone to be on the panel, please call Tracie at 742-1991.



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Religion and Culture

The Eight Days of Hanukkah

JOE LANDSBERGER
NEWS EDITOR

Jewish individuals celebrate eight days of Hanukkah instead of one day of Christmas. Hanukkah, Dec. 25 to Jan. 1, also known as the festival of lights, is an annual celebration in the Jewish religion. Hanukkah is similar to Christmas in three ways.

First, both are based in tradition. Second, both descend from a religion-based story. Third, each are a celebration with gifts.

Often thought of as the Jew-

ish counterpart to Christmas, it actually commemorates the rededication of the Temple of Jerusalem by Judas Maccabees in 165 B.C. The word Hanukkah, translated from the Hebrew, means dedication. Each year, Jewish families gather to celebrate Jerusalem's capture from pagan hands.

The Talmud says in 168 B.C. the temple was desecrated by the Syrian army. Antiochus IV, king of Syria, dedicated the temple to the worship of Zeus on a date corresponding to Dec. 25. However, Judas Maccabees recaptured the temple in 165

B.C. and rededicated it to God. According to Jewish tradition, the rededication ritual required pure olive oil, but only a very small amount could be found. Miraculously, the tiny bit of oil burned for eight days.

Today, Jewish families commemorate the miracle by lighting the Menorah, an eight-branched candelabrum. One candle is lit the first day, two the second and three the third until all eight are lit on the final day of celebration.

The festival also includes feasts and gift-giving among loved ones.

Kwanzaa unites African-American culture

JOHN ANTHONSEN
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Habari Gani, Happy Kwanzaa. Preparations for the African-American celebration of family and community begin nationally Dec. 12, but a pre-Kwanzaa celebration sponsored by the Pan-African Student Union starts Friday 7 to 9:30 p.m. in Kilcawley's Chestnut room.

Adh-Dharr Abdul-Khaaliq, PASU president, said the pre-Kwanzaa celebration is mostly for those individuals who are not familiar with Kwanzaa. It will feature dance, music and cultural presentations from the Harambee Youth Program, poetry by Mwatabu Okantah and a libation ceremony led by Kenneth King, African historian and 102.5 JAMS radio personality.

Kwanzaa was started in 1966 by Dr. Maulana Ron Karenga as a spiritual and cultural celebration stressing unity, pride and cooperation among African-Americans.

Based on the Kawaiida Theory that African-Americans can affect change by discovering and understanding their cultural heritage, Kwanzaa is not a religious holiday and is not affiliated with any religion.

"It provides an opportunity for African-Americans to come together and focus on issues that are very central to us, issues such as family — which is very important," said Kenneth King, advisor, PASU.

Coinciding with African harvest festivals, Kwanzaa is a Kiswahili word meaning, "first fruits of the harvest."

"Kwanza is a harvest celebration that was modeled after the Af-

rican harvest celebration and takes place at the same time of year, which gives it a cultural legitimacy," said King. "It serves to reconnect African-Americans with African Heritage."

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Kwanzaa's Seven Principles

- 1) Umoja - Unity
- 2) Kujichaguli - Self-determination
- 3) Ujima - Collective work and responsibility
- 4) Ujamaa - Cooperative economics
- 5) Nia - Purpose
- 6) Kuumba - Creativity
- 7) Imani - Faith

Holiday beliefs ease stress

MATT HANTAK
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The approaching holidays signify a time of celebration and togetherness. However, many people experience stress, and petty bickering that mars their holiday. Combine the pressures of finals, increased work hours and more time spent at home, and joy easily evaporates.

"We [Christians] try to be thankful every day," said Jason Fair, sophomore, music education. "Besides, if you have something more often, it becomes common."

Fair said he is a devout Christian, and he attends the churches of different Christian denominations to worship. He recently attended the Promise Keepers convention in Washington, D.C. He is a member of a men's Bible study group — one of several such groups on campus.

Fair views the holiday season as a time of remembrance and renewal. He is optimistic about both the holidays and the spiritual health of christianity at this time in history.

"More people are being

saved," said Fair.

Some Christian religions hold that those who do good works, especially in the name of their religion, are subject to increased spiritual hardship. One campus religious community that anticipated the oncoming stress of the season is the Newman Center.

"We did have a spirituality retreat about a month ago. We don't do that during the holiday, because it is in fact too hectic," said Brenda Crouse of the Newman Center.

During Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of finals week, the Newman Center will sponsor free pancake breakfasts. The pancakes will be served from 10 p.m. to 12 a.m. on those evenings. Students must present a valid YSU I.D. at the door.

The Newman Center will hold a party for residents of Beattitude House, a transitional housing organization, Dec. 5. The party will feature gifts for Beattitude House residents and their children. People interested in helping with this event may call the Newman Center at 747-9202. Ask to speak to Sister Pat Slater, Sarah Neville or Brenda Crouse.

Islam denies Christmas celebration

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People of the Muslim faith do not celebrate Christmas due to their beliefs. They believe in Jesus' birth and that Jesus was a prophet. Even though Muslim's do not celebrate Christmas, most still wish those who do, "happy holidays."

Muslims do celebrate their own holidays. When asked if any of their holidays compared to Christmas, one student said, "Eid is nothing compared to Christmas but it is a celebration."

Eid follows Ramadan, which is a 30-day period of fasting. Fasting is practiced to encourage empathy for the poor and to develop self-control.

Similarities mark Eastern Orthodox season celebration

SHERRY CLINGERMAN
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Everyone hears about Kwanzaa, Hanukkah and Santa Claus, but few people know about the Eastern Orthodox Christmas that is held Jan. 7.

The Orthodox religion used to be fairly common on the West and South sides of Youngstown as well as in Campbell, but now it is starting to become a memory as most of the people who celebrated it have gotten older.

At one time, there was quite a large population of people in Youngstown and the surrounding areas that came from Russia, the Ukraine, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania and Poland who held Eastern Orthodox beliefs and customs.

There are Byzantine, Ukrainian, Russian, Greek and Serbia Orthodox religions to name just a few in the area that used to celebrate Christmas Jan. 7.

Now many of these churches are changing over to the more traditional Dec. 25 holiday, such as St. Michael's Carpatho-Russian

Orthodox. St.'s Peter and Paul Ukrainian church has not changed yet.

Father George Hutnyan of St. Michaels said young people no longer hold with the Orthodox holiday anymore, they do not have time or cannot take off work Jan. 6 and 7 to celebrate Christmas and Christmas Eve as the older church members used to do.

It seems the Americanization of the immigrants and their children is causing a culture to fade into oblivion. It does not seem right somehow for this to happen.

A traditional Orthodox holiday season has special meaning to those who celebrate it, just like other religions have meaning behind their holidays. There are certain foods and services that are attended.

For example, Eastern-Orthodox Christmas Eve church services include the singing of Christmas carols and prayer. It is very similar to the traditional Christmas Eve services that are held Dec. 24. Christmas Eve dinner is served at midnight.

This meal has no meats,

cheeses or dairy products because Christmas is the time to celebrate birth not death. The meal will usually consist of rice and mushrooms rolled in cabbage leaves topped with a tomato juice sauce.

After the meal, it is time to for the gift giving to begin. A traditional Ukrainian Christmas gift exchange does not consist of toys and games. It consists of digging through a pile of hay where nuts, apples, oranges and candies (usually homemade taffy or hard candy), have been hidden earlier in the day.

Many adults have been known to go diving into the hay and come up with a handful of goodies too.

Christmas morning begins with another church service, followed by preparations for guests will arrive around noon to finish helping with the holiday dinner.

Christmas day there is a flurry of cooking and visiting. It is a time for families to come together from all over. There will be piroghi, stuffed cabbage, ham, a goose, keilbasa, and best of all, kolachi — preferably apricot.

Christmas traditions stem from religious convictions

JOHN ANTHONSEN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Merry Christmas! With all the rushing around to prepare for the most widely celebrated holiday of the season, people often forget what Christmas is supposed to be about.

"We're not in the Christmas season, we're actually in the season of advent," said Rev. Cathryn Adams, Protestant Campus Minister. "We anticipate the coming of Jesus Christ and each Sunday in advent we celebrate something special about Christmas."

Adams said people have lost sight of the true meaning of Christmas and the advent season.

"It becomes a circus," said Adams. "We have to find different ways to prepare our lives, our hearts and our homes for the celebration of Christmas."

Christmas is traditionally a time for families, giving and giving thanks. Adams said rather than getting all wrapped up in presents, people should be preparing spiritually for the holiday and spend time with loved ones. Christmas traditions like decorating the Christmas tree stress family togetherness.

But still, people shouldn't forget the true meaning of Christmas. Adams' husband, Rev. Russ Adams, of the Western Reserve United Methodist Church in

Canfield said, "Christmas is annually discovering God's great gift to mankind."



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Editorial

Don't be immune to the facts on AIDS

As the days turn into weeks, weeks into months and months into years it becomes more and more apparent that AIDS is running rampant. AIDS education is becoming more prevalent in our society yet the masses are still becoming infected. Are people not listening? Is education not going to the right places? Do people just not care? Or are they careless? Whatever the reason, the disease is still here and still killing.

While the United States is heavily fighting this disease, AIDS is present in the world around. Three years ago in Haiti there were only 5000 cases of full-blown AIDS, while this year nearly 101,400 new AIDS cases were reported. In Cambodia, a country with a population of just 10.5 million people, there are 120,000 reported cases of AIDS, and the United Nations predicts up to one million people could be infected in the next 10 years. China has only reported 8,277 cases but experts estimate the figure between 150,000 and 200,000. The life expectancy of people in South Africa is expected to drop from sixty-two to forty due to AIDS.

Drugs have been developed to suppress AIDS virus, to eradicate it and to alleviate the patient's symptoms. Some drugs have worked in some of these areas, most have not worked in the important areas. There are reports of 124 new AIDS medicines in development, including antivirals and some to fight AIDS-related infections and cancers. Next year, some doctors and scientists have volunteered to infect themselves with the AIDS virus to test yet another new drug. Their dedication and support should be commended, but it is not enough. AIDS education has helped control the spread somewhat, but it too, is obviously not enough.

Every individual needs to take stock of his or her situation and protect themselves. Get an AIDS test if you feel you might be high-risk—early detection has been proven to lift survival rates. Simple tasks can make a world of difference.

Staff Commentary

Forced gift giving presents annoyance to staffer

NICOLE TANNER
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Imagine this: You're walking through the mall, doing your Christmas shopping. You've done the same routine for so many years the crowds don't even phase you anymore. You run around from store to store, picking up gifts for everyone in your family. You have, in a sense, become a robot buying gifts, not because you really want to, but because that's what you've done your whole life.

As you leave the mall, stepping out into the brisk December air, you hear the familiar chiming of a bell. You turn to see a bundled up man standing next to a red pot hanging from a stand. You watch him and people around him for awhile. Many people don't even stop or notice him. Others toss pennies into the red pot. He graciously smiles and says thank you, continuing to ring that bell.

I find this to be the main reason the holidays are disappointing. People are starving, and most of us only have the generosity to give a few pennies.

As the classic song says, " 'Tis the season to be jolly." Since you can't hear me talking, I'll note for you the tone of sarcasm in my voice.

Not that there's anything fundamentally wrong

An open letter to gay, lesbian and bisexuals at YSU, PASU president offers apology

In the past few weeks, YSU has been subjected to a heated debate on issues involving race and sexual orientation. I have thrust my person into debates and in some ways I am the progenitor of much of it. I am first and foremost an African man, secondly by nature, I am a soldier. In the heat of battle

Guest Commentary

Car crash prompts students to count blessings

JENN KLOPTA
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

February 19, 1996, my closest friends and I attended a high school basketball game. We were juniors at Chaney, and our men's team was playing Fitch on what would become a very memorable Friday night.

All week we anticipated Friday. The school held a pep assembly. We even decorated the gym and the team's lockers. Everybody was excited about the game, but some of us more so because of the plans we had afterward. It was my best friend's birthday, and we had been concocting a surprise party for weeks.

The plan was to take Tara out to dinner after the game while everybody else gathered at my house. Following dinner, we would take Tara to my house where the party would be. Every little detail was carefully prepared. The food and beverages were ready, the house was clean, my mom was beginning to relax and most importantly, Tara was clueless.

The Chaney team just barely won the game, which seemed to last an eternity. After congratulating each sweaty player with a reluctant hug, the girls and I finally piled into Julie's little car and followed Tara's car.

Traveling east on Mahoning Avenue toward 680, we noticed the Ohio Edison crew doing repair work in the right lane. We slowed down and moved to the left lane. We stopped to let some of the heavy traffic get around the work trucks. Suddenly, without warning, we were rammed from behind and sandwiched in between two cars. Shocked, we stared straight ahead trying to grasp what had happened.

We were in an accident. There's really no easy way to describe the pain we had that night. The physical pain was obvious, but the emotional trauma was evident. Broken bones, dizziness and instant headaches seemed insignificant when we focused on our helplessness, frustration and disappointment.

During the droning of the sirens, the blur of the flashing lights and the concern on our parents' faces, were the persistent tire squeals, the shattering glass and the too-familiar empty silence.

We were all zombies as we watched the culprit fail the sobriety test and get shoved into the back of a cruiser. People seemed to grow out of the pavement.

The wait at the hospital seemed never-ending. My friends and I were all separated—different floors, different rooms, different doctors. All I could do was stare into space and wonder. The helplessness I felt was overwhelming. I saw my mom once, but she was forced to wait outside. No matter who tried to comfort me, ultimately, I was alone.

When I woke up the next day, I was at home. My whole family was anticipating my awakening, and they were thrilled when I finally opened my eyes. I didn't remember much and details were hazy.

I telephoned my friends that were with me that night, having the same conversation with each of them. "Stitches... casts... neck brace... concussion..." Silence and then tears. None of us felt like talking, and we hung up the receivers.

Needless to say, there was no birthday dinner and no surprise party for Tara. Instead, there was a night filled with pain and tears as we lived out our very worst fears.

Our expectations were far from reality that night. However, it gave each of us a whole new value for life. Things can change at any moment without warning. But the important thing is we were all together. Even in the hospital when we were separated, there was a sense of closeness we all felt that is only present in the best of friends. We were lucky to have each other.

Our excitement had turned to disappointment as we watched the cause of the nightmare ride away handcuffed in a police car. We all knew there was somebody pulling for us. It sometimes takes a smack in the face to truly appreciate the things God has given us.

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Staff Commentary

This year, be sure to notice the miracles

KATHERINE HELLER
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We've all been told time and again to appreciate what we have. But have we ever really thought about what that means? I admit, I never really thought too much about it until I met a girl I will call Belle.

Belle was not born into fortunate circumstances. Her parents abused drugs and alcohol, which eventually led to their deaths, and she is left paying the price. Because of their foolish behavior, Belle, 18-years-old, has the mental capabilities of a 4 or 5-year-old. Her growth is stunted, speech slurred, and she has cerebral palsy. She only weighs about 70 pounds and recently had surgery to remove about 10 pounds of metal from her back that had been used to straighten her posture. During the surgery, her central nervous system shut down, and she almost died.

But despite all of her undeserved trials, Belle is an amazing, unselfish, happy and talkative girl, who always has a smile on her face and a warm hello for literally everyone she comes in contact with.

Belle is a miracle.

I call her a miracle because I believe God has a plan and purpose for everyone's life, and from everyone I know, Belle has fulfilled her life's purpose the most. She is innocent and pure, and joyful and loving during all her trials and tribulations.

Belle's life impacts others everyday, leaving a lasting impression to learn and grow from. Just when I think I am having a bad day, I think of Belle — with her feeding tube and cerebral palsy, and suddenly I don't feel so bad anymore.

So this Christmas, think about how much God has given you — health, potential for a long life, the ability to learn — and think about what God's plan is for *your* life. And don't forget to thank Him this Christmas season for the most important and free gift He has given to all of us — Jesus.

PASU

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I want it to be understood this humble offering is given seeking the cleansing of the name of the PASU as being anti-homosexual.

The PASU is open to all of African descent. Words written in the commentary three weeks ago were my words only, not reflective of the PASU. We will continue to fight for the freedom, justice and equality of our people. The struggle for African liberation can take many forms, perhaps somewhere in the future some coalition between the LGBT and the PASU can be found. Please accept my sincere apology to those I hurt in my will to seek African liberation. Hotep (peace).

Adh-Dharr Abdul-Khaaliq,
PASU President

Staff Commentary

Marketing madness tarnishes true meaning of Christmas

■ Christmas has become an excuse to feed compulsions.

REBECCA SLOAN
COPY EDITOR

Every year it starts a little earlier. The jack-o'-lanterns have barely just begun to grin ghoulishly from doorsteps, and already the stores have launched their annual Yuletide marketing schemes. Despite fall foliage and apple cider, plastic Santas line aislesways at K-Mart, and shopping malls deck their halls with twinkling lights and tinsel.

By the time Thanksgiving rolls around, stores lure consumers toward cash registers with promises of no payments until June 1998 and pack them in for pre-Christmas sales. Forget about eating too much turkey and stuffing, by Nov. 28, shoppers are taking

Pepto Bismal to calm stomach upset due to the rigors of holiday shopping and not Aunt Bertha's famous cranberry sauce.

It sounds trite to say so, I know, but the true meaning of Christmas fades more with each passing year as it is buried somewhere in aisle nine beneath the Beanie Babies and talking Christmas trees.

That's why this year, I'm boycotting the holiday marketing madness. I do not intend to dodge crowds of snarling shoppers at the mall or charge up outrageous debts on my credit cards. Neither do I intend to construct my own mile-long Christmas list. I already have a lot — I don't need more just because it is Dec. 25.

Instead, I'm keeping things

simple — a few Christmas cards, a few simple gifts, a little candlelight, carols played low on the stereo and a long, relaxing Christmas vacation.

Think about it. Christmas has become an excuse to feed compulsions — to spend, to party, to eat. We live in a society always hungry for more, more, more, and Christmas gives marketers the perfect opportunity to tempt our voracious appetites for material comforts all to the tune of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer."

I for one, am sick of it. Don't get me wrong, I enjoy the season. I like creating a shimmering, silver-hued Christmas tree, snuggling by a fire while the snow falls outside and all of the other

little things that make the holiday special. What I'm trying to say is that these little things shouldn't define the Christmas season. Presents, eggnog and icicle lights are nice, but we shouldn't try to fill our hearts with them.

This year, why not stop and think before being swept into the whirl of holiday marketing madness. I know it gets hard to listen to the voice of reason with the clanging of "merry" bells, the ho-ho-ho of shopping mall Santas and the din of screaming children demanding the ultimate toy, but do try anyway.

Think about the richness in the simplicity of thankfulness, peace, hope and love, and give your gifts from the heart and not just the pocketbook.

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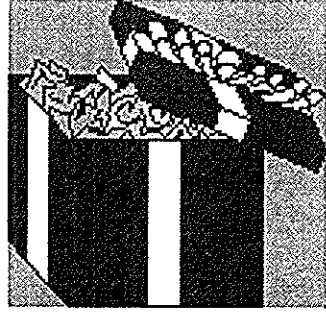
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For further details regarding this credit, including whether or not you may qualify, please consult with an income tax professional, or contact the IRS Office of Public Liaison at (202) 622-2970 or (800) 829-1040.

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Happy Holidays

Kraynak's kindles holiday spirit

MAN ON THE STREET

Holiday Wish List

We asked some folks around campus what their one holiday wish would be. Here is what they said:



Christine Novicky, sophomore, pre-dental, wished for her "own personal spot on the fourth floor of the Wick Avenue parking deck."



"The economy in the community to improve to help the efforts of students at YSU because the economy around here is dead," William Fisher, YSU Police.



"No more racism. More forgiveness, love and happiness in this crazy world," Tanisha Miller, senior, professional writing and editing.



"A nice, sweet girlfriend," Norman Brown, freshman, education.



Same as Hussain, freshman, business, does not celebrate Christmas because he is Muslim, but said if he had one wish it would be, "To get enough money to sent my parents to Mecca for Hajj."



"Immortality, because life's too short!" Ehab Ramahi, freshman, undecided.

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They say Christmas is for kids, but Kraynak's in Hermitage, Pa., is calling those of you over 18 who want to feel like 8 year olds again this holiday season. Strolling through the magical "Santa's Christmasland" at Kraynak's will kindle Yuletide delight and wonder in even the most scrooge-like of hearts.

This 300-foot avenue of animated holiday scenes and more than 60 originally decorated Christmas trees is a yearly Kraynak's tradition that began in the late 1940s.

People of all ages have one thing in common as they stroll through this dimly-lit, walkway of twinkling Christmas boughs and winter wonderland fantasy — they'll all feel just like kids on Christmas morning.

YSU student Adrienne Smith, sophomore, dental hygiene, said she and her family began visiting the Kraynak's display when she was a child.

"Even though everyone's grown up now, we still go there every year," said Smith. "We of-

ten do our Christmas shopping [nearby] at the Shenango Mall and stop to see the display. It really puts you in a Christmas mood."

Indeed it does. As visitors approach the open doorway of Christmasland, spirited carols, sparkling lights and a life-size horse and sleigh scene invite them inside.

Later on, kids will thrill at the sight of a life-size animated Santa and a stable of reindeer who playfully nod their antlers. Parents and grandparents pause to plan for possible Christmas tree purchases in front of a display depicting a Victorian Christmas morning complete with animated figures of children in period clothing opening presents. Couples cuddle together, entranced by a gathering of glowing angels who spread their golden wings, and a lively train display captures the interest of boys of all ages.

Kraynak's employees begin assembling the display in July and begin disassembling it the day after Christmas.

There's no charge to view the display, which opens the day after labor day and closes Christmas Eve, and every decorated tree in



SLEIGH RIDE: An animated horse and sleigh scene invites visitors into Santa's Christmasland.

the display is for sale.

As visitors depart Santa's Christmasland, the Kraynak's greenhouse greets them with a sea of vibrant blooms. Poinsettias and Christmas cacti, as well as a wide variety of houseplants, grace the spacious, naturally-lit room.

Joyce Marrie, Kraynak's floor supervisor, said the large selection of holiday plants draws as many shoppers as Santa's Christmasland.

"Lots of people come in a few days before Christmas to buy their plants," said Marrie. "They want

the blooms to be fresh and vibrant for Christmas day."

Of course, the wide selection of toys and Christmas decorations also draw shoppers to Kraynak's, and the lawn and garden center provides live Christmas trees and fresh pine for wreaths.

Sherry Blattner, mother of 1-year-old Mariah said she will incorporate Kraynak's into her daughter's yearly Christmas experiences.

"Kraynak's is Christmas," she said. "It sets the holiday mood, and kids love it." Kids of all ages.

All I want for Christmas

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What sort of Christmas gifts are you buying this year? Like many, you're probably in search of the most elusive of gifts.

Whatever the gift, many view the seemingly endless task of Christmas shopping as a difficulty.

We can all remember the frenzies brought on by Cabbage Patch Kids and Tickle Me Elmo. This year, people are already frantically searching for Sleep 'N Snore Ernie, Beanie Babies and the Magna Doodle Schoolbus.

Sleep 'N Snore Ernie, Beanie Babies and the Magna Doodle Schoolbus are sold out in many places. Don't worry though, plenty of shipments are expected in before Christmas.

"These Christmas gifts have people shopping earlier and probably spending more," said an employee from Toys 'R Us in Boardman.

Sleep 'N Snore Ernie is this year's Tickle Me Elmo. He's the same character from Sesame Street that we're all used to seeing, but with a twist. Ernie sounds as though he's snoring when his belly is pushed.

Beanie Babies have been around for a while, but have really come to the forefront this Christmas. Over the years, variations of the little bean-bag stuffed animals have escalated into the hundreds.

"People love them because they're cute and cheap (\$5)," said Andria Iudiciani, Hallmark Showcase employee.

By the year 2000, Beanie Babies are expected to be worth at least eight times their current value. Some of the more popular ones may be worth even more.

The Magna Doodle Schoolbus is a magnetic drawing board. It allows children to express their creativity through a hand-held wand.

Other than these gifts, people are buying more high-tech gifts.

An employee from Best Buy in Boardman said, in addition to CDs, computers and computer-related software sales are really up compared to last year. The day after Thanksgiving sales had people lined up to the back of the store and many computer package specials were sold out in the first 10 minutes of opening.

Ten cool toys to spice up your holiday season

LOU YUHASZ
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

1. Todd McFarlane Action Figures

— You've seen the Spawn action figures. Now McFarlane releases KISS action figures and Monster Playsets. The KISS figures sport real hair and missile-firing weapons just like the real band, while the monsters have two smaller figures and a play stand included in every package.

2. Riven — The sequel to Myst

traps players in the most detailed virtual world ever created. The puzzles promise to be trickier and the story more involved, with actual villains to battle. Unfortunately, you also need a state of the art machine to run it.

3. Star Trek Laser Pointer — A

hand-held pointer that looks like a prop from "The Next Generation." Kind of useless, but it's a real laser! Great for scaring the dog or temporarily blinding a passerby. Available at The Sharper Image.

4. South Park T-Shirts — Those

foul little monsters from Comedy Central are popping up all over. Choose from the kids at the bus stop, Cartman swearing or a decapitated Kenny.

5. A piece of Mars — Remember those ads that would name a star

after you? Well, a company on the Internet is doing one better and selling claims on Mars. Probably illegal, but worth a few bucks. You get a certificate showing the latitude and longitude of your claim.

6. Goody Louie — An educational

game where players pick Louie's nose and try to keep his brain from flying out of his head. Gets better after a few cold ones.

7. Full-Size Jukebox Replica —

From JCPenney's, it's the ultimate audio equipment. Who cares what it sounds like? It's a home jukebox. Earn your money back by charging your friends quarters.

8. K'Nex — Cheaper than Lego

(though not by much) and you can build some seriously large models, even if they do look like old fashioned erector sets.

9. Adult Bookstore Novelties -

The gift that keeps on giving. No, really, what can we say? Please, don't give these to your significant other, they're only for shock value.

10. Microbrew of the Month Club

— A case of beer delivered to your door every month? Really good beers from across the country? Where do I sign up?

Christmas comes to the Internet

LOU YUHASZ
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The fact even Santa Claus has a Web site shouldn't really surprise anyone. A search of Yahoo from the word "Christmas" yielded 865 sites under 29 categories. Everything Christmas, from Advent calendars to virtual greetings cards exists there. It was nearly impossible to start sorting through the sites.

Some are commercial sites, such as <http://santa.bx.com>, which was nothing more than a quick entrance to an Internet shopping mall. Others are attempts by ordinary people to share family traditions during the holidays. Nearly all are easily loaded and do not rely on the latest razzle-dazzle special effects.

A good Santa related site is <http://www.claus.com>. Like many of the other sites, this one allows viewers to fill in a form letter and get an e-mail from Santa. It also features games, trivia, recipes and Christmas traditions. On Christmas Eve this site tracks Santa's progress around the globe, and it also features a naughty-or-nice checklist. It has fun activities that appealed to my 5-year-old daughter. Although this is a commercial site, it does say that any information (such as e-mail addresses) will not be used for commercial purposes.

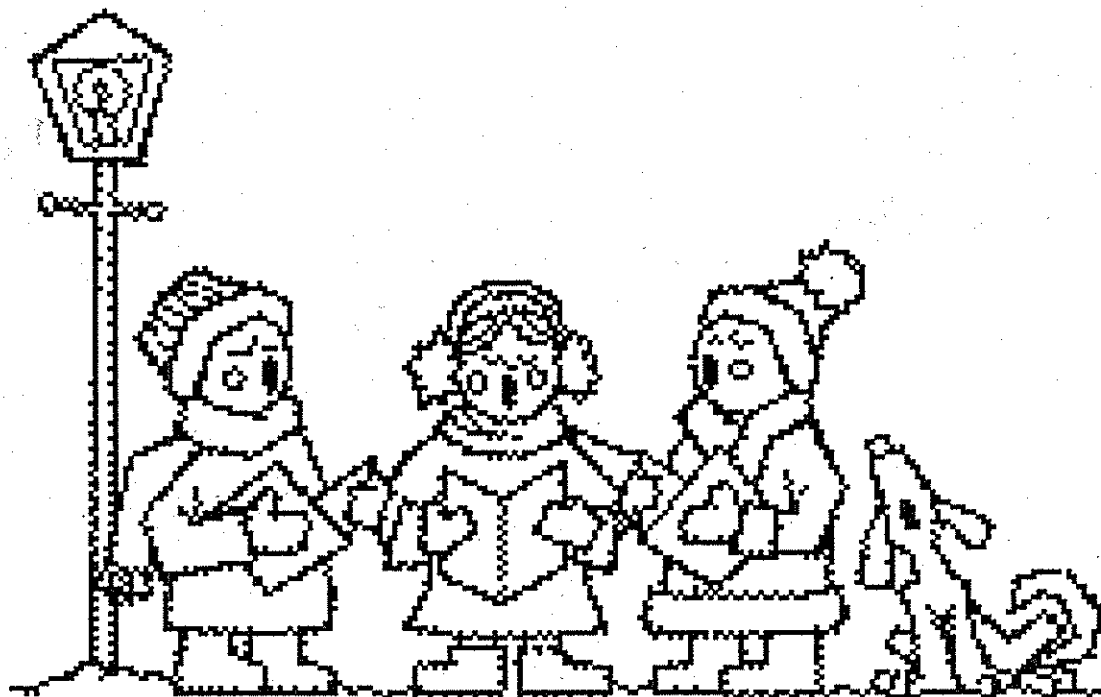
For those who get tired of Santa Claus and the commercialism he seems to represent, there are good sites for observing the religious aspects of Christmas.

"The Christ in Christmas" site at <http://members.aol.com/churchweb/christmas/index.htm> lists dozens of sites that highlight the spiritual nature of the holiday. Except for the big "No Santa" logo that scared my daughter, this site does a good job and covers most of the bases. From illustrated versions of the nativity and prayers, to more evangelical essays, this site seems to have it all. Note that it is a collection of links to other sites, some of them may be broken or missing.

Christmas also coincides with the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah. According to www.earthlink.net/holidays/hanukkah this celebration has changed throughout the many centuries it has been observed to meet the needs of the time. At this site one can learn about the Maccabees, the menorah and the dreidel. By the way, this site lists 16 variant spellings of Hanukkah, the original Hebrew word has only five letters.

For the past three decades, African-Americans have also used the holiday season to celebrate Kwanzaa, which promotes unity and spirituality. The site <http://www.earthlink.net/holidays/kwanzaa> tells the history of Kwanzaa and outlines the seven principles. It also contains links to other Kwanzaa sites, some of which contain recipes for traditional African dishes.

The ease of both publishing and accessing information on the Internet makes it almost impossible to keep up with everything on it for the holidays. Hopefully this short list will get you started to use the Internet to develop your own traditions for the holidays.



Give, but don't be taken

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When the holiday season arises, many people seek ways to help others. Some volunteer their time, others donate money or at least purchase a gift for a needy child. All may have good intentions, however, with more than 1 million nonprofit organizations to choose from, choosing the right charity to donate to becomes a true task.

GuideStar, a guide to charities located at <http://www.guidestar.org/>, offers information on programs, objectives and finances to site visitors. It is a service that allows you to search by type of organization and location. The Website proposed the

following tips for choosing a charity.

- Identify the groups or causes that you believe in.
- Always ask for written information if you're being solicited on the telephone.
- Don't stop at your mailbox.
- Give what you can.
- Check out the organization.
- Check on tax deductions for charitable donations.

According to GuideStar, the IRS states, "you can deduct your contribution of money or property that you make to, or for the use of, a QUALIFIED organization. Your deduction . . . is generally limited to 50 percent of your gross adjusted income . . ." and in some cases less.

GuideStar lists more than 600,000 organizations whose donations qualify for tax deductions.

The service said, "Fall and winter is the perfect time to give non-cash items — thrift stores need warm clothes, food banks could use canned goods and other items, all those tots need toys and our furry friends at the animal shelters could probably use some pet food."

Following is a partial listing of Web sites GuideStar recommends:

- Action Without Borders <http://www.idealists.org>
- AOL Hub Heaven
- Impact Online <http://www.impactonline.org>
- Internet Non-Profit Center <http://www.nonprofits.org>
- National Charities Information Bureau <http://www.give.org>



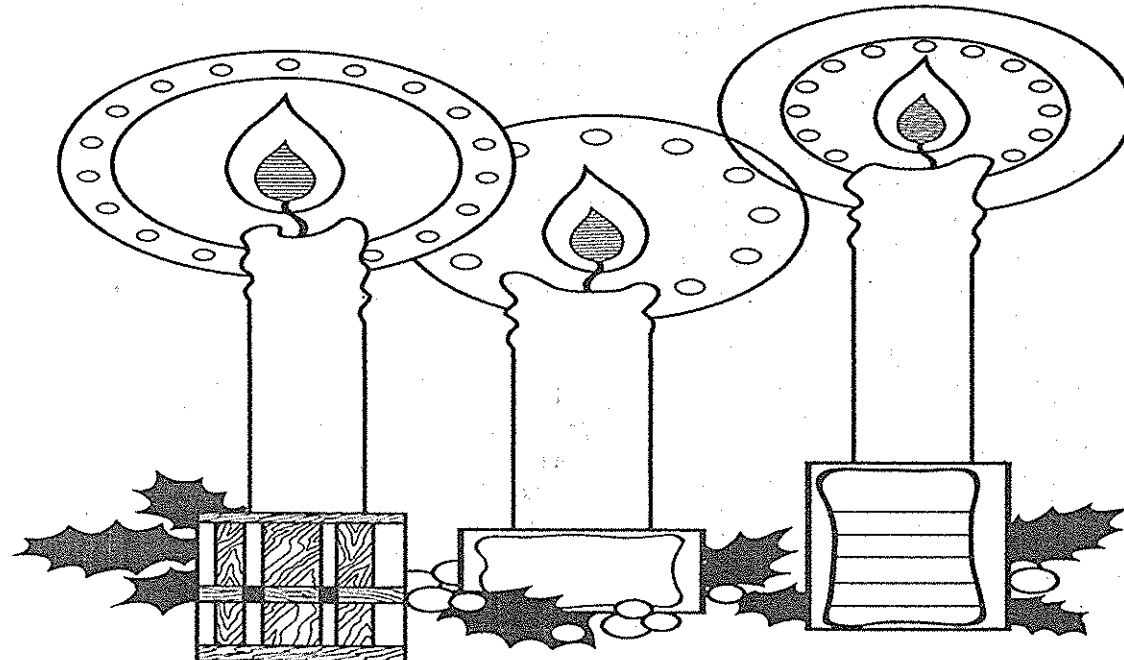
Classical CD heightens holiday magic

REBECCA SLOAN
COPY EDITOR

Classical music enhances the richness and magic of the holiday season in a way traditional carols or jolly jingles simply cannot. Classical arrangements heighten the flavor of sumptuous meals enjoyed at dinner tables dotted with glowing candles and bring fire and majesty to brighten the party atmosphere on a cold, dark Christmas Eve.

This year, why not plan to incorporate a classical touch to holiday parties and gatherings? One CD to try is *Baroque: The Greatest Hits*, a two-disc classical set in the Reference Gold Classical series. This CD offers a sprinkling of songs traditionally heard at the holidays such as "Glory To God," "Hallelujah!" and "Comfort Thee" from Handel's *Messiah* Highlights as well as Bach's "Christmas Oratoria" and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desire."

And that's not all. These two CDs step beyond the realm of holiday music by offering a satisfying sampling of some of the best songs from the Baroque era such as Pachelbel's "Canon In D" and Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons."



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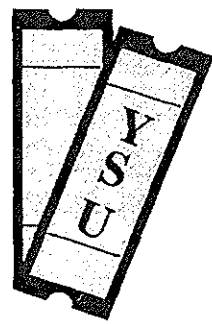
What: MOW needs volunteers for driving and delivering meals on Christmas Eve.
For More Information: Call Meals on Wheels 744-3583

Big Brothers/Big Sisters

What: Giving Trees
Who: The giving trees are for donated toys and winter garments for children age 7 to 17.
Where: The giving trees are located at Club South, YSU, Farmer's National Banks and Hair Studio 17.
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What: Grief workshop — "Getting Through the Holidays"
Where: Hospice Office, 4321 Kirk Rd.
When: Thursday Dec. 4, 6 to 8 p.m.
For More Information: Call Hospice of the Valley 788-1992



Arts & Entertainment



Blessid Union of Souls brings music to Southern Park

Lead vocalist Eliot Sloan said the band's music combines many different styles.

NICOLE TANNER
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

The name makes the band sound like a gospel group. And while Blessid Union of Souls' songs are uplifting, they're more about love than religion. The band will be bringing its brand of music to the Southern Park Mall for a free concert 6 p.m. Friday.

"Our music is a cross between Queen and Prince," said lead vocalist Eliot Sloan.

That diverse sound stems from the various backgrounds of the band members. Sloan has urban inspirations, while guitarist Jeff Pence has country inspirations and keyboardist C.P. Roth has classical inspirations. Sloan said the band's goal was never to be mainstream pop.

"You'll find our CD in the pop/

rock section at the record store, but that's because they don't know where else to put it," he said.

Blessid Union of Souls' eclectic sound has fared well for the

band. Its debut album

Home is almost platinum and has

yielded the hits, "Let Me Be the One,"

"Oh Virginia," "All Along" and "I Believe,"

the last of which reached No. 8

on the Billboard Hot 100 Singles

chart. "Light in Your Eyes,"

the latest single off the band's

self-titled sophomore release, has been receiving exten-

sive radio play across the country.

The first single appeared in the movie "Contact," starring Jodi

Foster.

"Light in Your Eyes" was co-written with Tommy Simms,

who has worked with such artists as Amy Grant and Bruce

Springsteen, and won a Grammy in 1996 for his

collaboration with Eric Clapton on the song, "Change the World."

"[Simms] is a great songwriter," Sloan said.

"He kept 'Light in Your Eyes' pretty and melodic."

The band has been together for five years and was first signed by

EMI in 1993, only four months after sending out

demo tapes. Sloan said it was meant to happen that quickly.

"I don't believe in luck," he



"When you realize people have heard your songs and are singing the words with you at a show, that's when you realize the effect your music has had on people."

Eliot Sloan

Musician



ON STAGE: Blessid Union of Souls will perform 6 p.m. Friday at Southern Park Mall.

said. "It has no basis. If there was no merit to our music, we wouldn't have had the success that we have."

Sloan said the band members have just as much merit performing live and realize the extent of their success during live performances.

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Blessid Union of Souls

6 p.m.
Friday
Southern Park Mall



Concert Review

LYNN NICKELS
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Fleetwood Mac



CLEVELAND — Clad in platform boots, a shimmering gold shawl and trademark gypsy outfit, Stevie Nicks and the members of Fleetwood Mac gave the audience what they had come for and expected last Monday at Gund Arena — an outstanding performance. The roof literally shook when the '70s mega-group appeared on stage as part of a 20-year *Rumours* anniversary reunion tour.

Along with Nicks, original members Mick Fleetwood, drums; John McVie, bass; Lindsay Buckingham, guitar and vocals and Christine McVie, keyboards and vocals were all on board for this performance. They didn't disappoint the crowd as they sang a mix of their old standbys and a catalog of their new songs during the show.

Buckingham was the catalyst for this tour, called "The Dance," when, while working on his fourth solo album he invited Fleetwood and John McVie to play backup. The rest, as they say, is history.

The three got along so well, it just seemed natural they try and kick off a reunion tour. Old feelings aside, so far so good. Maybe time does heal everything.

But whether the band members are getting along personally or not, they certainly are connecting professionally.

Nicks' deep, throaty voice had all its magical appeal as she sang hits "Rhiannon" and "Stand Back." Buckingham and Christine McVie delighted the audience with their singing as well as their musical abilities.

Buckingham is still legendary on the guitar, almost unbelievable. At 49, he could still give the 18-year-olds on MTV a run for their money.

McVie had plenty of talent to go around, too. Between singing, playing keyboards and the accordion, she could have been a one-woman show. And she looks like she's getting younger instead of older.

John McVie on bass and Fleetwood on drums are still the constants of the group. Their music was enhanced by an excellent bongo drummer and two talented female backup singers.

The only part of the show left wanting was a 15-minute interlude featuring the bongo drummer. While the rest of the band took a

rest, Fleetwood thought to entertain the crowd by strutting around the stage pounding on his body in time to the beat of the drums. Every few minutes he would inject a couple of grunts into the microphone. Meant as a comical break, it came off as ridiculous after about three minutes. I would have much rather spent those 15 minutes listening to more of the band's new music. I guess you can't have everything.

Overall, the show was a huge success.

Austintown resident, Tammy Warner attended and said, "It was great. I'm so glad I had the opportunity to come."

It really was a once-in-a-life-time experience. One not to miss. The group has 40 dates scheduled on this tour but doesn't have any concrete plans to continue as a band after the tour is over.

Hopefully for the fans, they will. The talent and musical chemistry between these group members is definitely special.

Besides a successful reunion tour and their new album *The Dance*, Fleetwood Mac has also been chosen as a 1998 inductee into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. It would be a shame and waste of talent if this group split up again.

Film Review

MIKE HURAYT
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The Jackal



Instead of getting a sly, conniving animal in "The Jackal," a remake of the 1973 film "Day of the Jackal," we get Bruce Willis, a not-too-sly, sort-of-conniving hitman.

Willis is the Jackal, an elusive hitman hired by Russian mobsters to assassinate a powerful American political figure. Some suited FBI agents get wind of this and haul out Irish terrorist Declan Mulqueen, played by Richard Gere, from prison to help them find and stop him. The film follows the Jackal as he plots out his strategy for assassination and uses various disguises

— most of which just look like a switch job on his hairpiece — and Gere's attempt to stop him.

Yawn.

The movie had some decent action scenes but was hurt by cardboard characters, and Gere's Irish accent was hilarious for all the wrong reasons. He sounded so much like a leprechaun, I kept waiting for someone to ask him where the pot of gold was. The movie had potential but fell short.

The only thing that kept me in suspense the whole time was waiting to see if Gere would slip and screw up his accent.

In a way, this was the perfect Thanksgiving movie: The flick itself was a turkey, the dialogue was corny, the plot was half-baked and by the end of two hours, you had roasted buns. Put this at the bottom of your list of films to see. You'd be better off watching a National Geographic special about a real jackal.

Michael Rosman's performance, scheduled for Noon Thursday has been cancelled.
The band Psychadelic Kitchen will perform 9 p.m. Thursday in the Kilcawley Pub.

Entertainment Buzz

YSU students disappoint me

LYNN NICKELS
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Hello! Is anybody out there? Sometimes I wonder. Sometimes YSU students totally baffle me.

I couldn't believe my eyes Nov. 20 when I went to meet the band Sho' Nuff, who played at Kilcawley's Pub. There was literally no one there except the security guard. Oh, a few people playing pool were finally convinced to come sit down and listen to the group, who, by the way, was fantastic.

Here is this really good band who came all the way from Pittsburgh, and no one shows up to enjoy it.

I realize a lot of students don't have classes Fridays, so they may have gone home for the weekend, but, come on, this was free, good entertainment provided by the university and only five or six people showed up.

I felt compelled to write this commentary because I personally felt so bad for the group. I could understand if they stunk and everyone left, but these guys were funk, heavy metal and rock all rolled into one — and they were good at it. They had just won Pittsburgh's '96 Jam Slam competition of the bands — no small accomplishment.

Mike Sellman, guitar, was unbelievable. The heavy metal funk sound combined with R & B was great. Gene Walker, lead vocals, kept singing and talking to the audience of two, just as if there were 100 people there. Cliff Foster, bass, and Jason Crew, drums, both also

displayed talent. This is a group, who I think, is going places.

They were good sports about it, too. They just kept playing to the security guard and me like we were a full audience. I guess newer bands probably get used to playing to empty venues. It was a real shame and a loss for the YSU student body who missed the performance. And, to top it all off, they said they would like to play at YSU again! I don't think I would if I were in their shoes.

Yes, they did get paid the same amount of money whether there was a full audience or not, but to them, it wasn't the same. They wanted people to hear their music in this area, and that just didn't happen.

My only suggestion to YSU students is to remember your college years are a learning experience — not just academically, but musically and artistically, too. Check out the after-hours events that are going on, whether it be music, an opening at the Butler or McDonough or a poetry reading. These areas are all vital parts of our education as well. And you just don't know what you may be missing.

I know what I didn't miss — a semi-private performance by a group who may be the next George Clinton and the P-Funk All Stars. Your loss, my gain. If I were you, I would definitely check this group out the next time they come around.

CD Reviews

GREGORY ZEHE
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Alana Davis

Blame It On Me



"I think music is our most important form of communication, it crosses all boundaries and has the power to affect people's lives — both the songwriter and the listener," said Alana Davis.

Her debut album, *Blame It On Me*, is more than ample evidence that the mercurial singer/songwriter has indeed grown up watching and listening to the world around her. Davis was born and raised in New York City's Greenwich Village. Her father was a noted jazz pianist, and her mother was a singer. They instilled in her a vocal style that resonates with rare tenderness and understanding.

The soulful melodies that flow from this young artist are soothing and full of personal flavor. You hear it on songs like the gentle but serrated world view of "Weight of the World," or the funky and playful "Love and Pride," or the weary but wise "Rest of Yesterday." The standout, however, is the fresh and delightful honesty of the LP's title track. Davis also unleashes a percussive vocal display on a brilliant reworking of an Ani Di Franco song, the scruffy "32 Flavors."

Davis' floating, signature delivery lifts the album from the sameness of the current crop of female vocalists into the more reflexive glow of her influences, who include her parents, singers Stevie Wonder, Siouxsie Sioux, and Joni Mitchell.

Anyone who is into soul, jazz or any kind of lighter pop rock should definitely give this album a listen.



REBECCA SLOAN
COPY EDITOR

Shania Twain

Come On Over



Put on your high-heeled boots, slip into a pair of tight jeans, paint your fingernails red and *Come on Over*, Shania Twain is back and her latest album is the stuff silly, sassy girl's nights out are made of.

That's the good news about *Come on Over* but unfortunately, that's the bad news too.

While Shania Twain is known for her fun, flirty, feisty blend of country and rock, *Come on Over* fails to find a winning balance between sauce and substance the way the much-acclaimed *The Woman in Me* managed to do.

The Woman in Me offered the best of both worlds by pairing cheeky numbers like "Any Man of Mine" and "No One Needs to Know" with soulful songs like "God Bless the Child" and "The Woman in Me."

While *Come on Over* is super-

charged with high energy and fun, if you're looking for substance better go knockin' on some other door 'cause you won't find it here.

Much of *Come on Over's* lyrics sound more like the gossip of gushing high school girls in hormonal over-drive than the work of one of country music's hottest leading ladies. There are some really great songs on the CD, such as "Love Gets Me Every Time" but numbers such as "Black Eyes, Blue Tears" and "Don't Be Stupid," left me wondering if I should be embarrassed to admit I own the CD and feeling like I should be wearing big, pink curlers in my hair and gossiping with my best friend Earline about her really cute brother Billy Bob.

Twain had a tough act to follow after the sky-rocketing success of *The Woman in Me*, and the critics have surely been sharpening their knives. I'm not going to totally trash this CD because I think Twain did a great job with some of the songs, but I also think she can do better. Sometimes less is more, and I think Twain had it right the first time with the tasteful balance of attitude and magnitude of *The Woman in Me*. *Come On Over* has its time and place, but that space is a little too narrow for an artist with Twain's potential.

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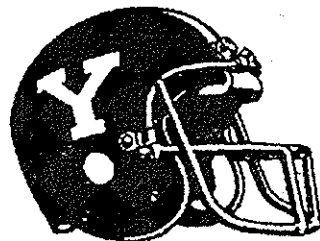
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Sports



Penguins shipwreck Pirates

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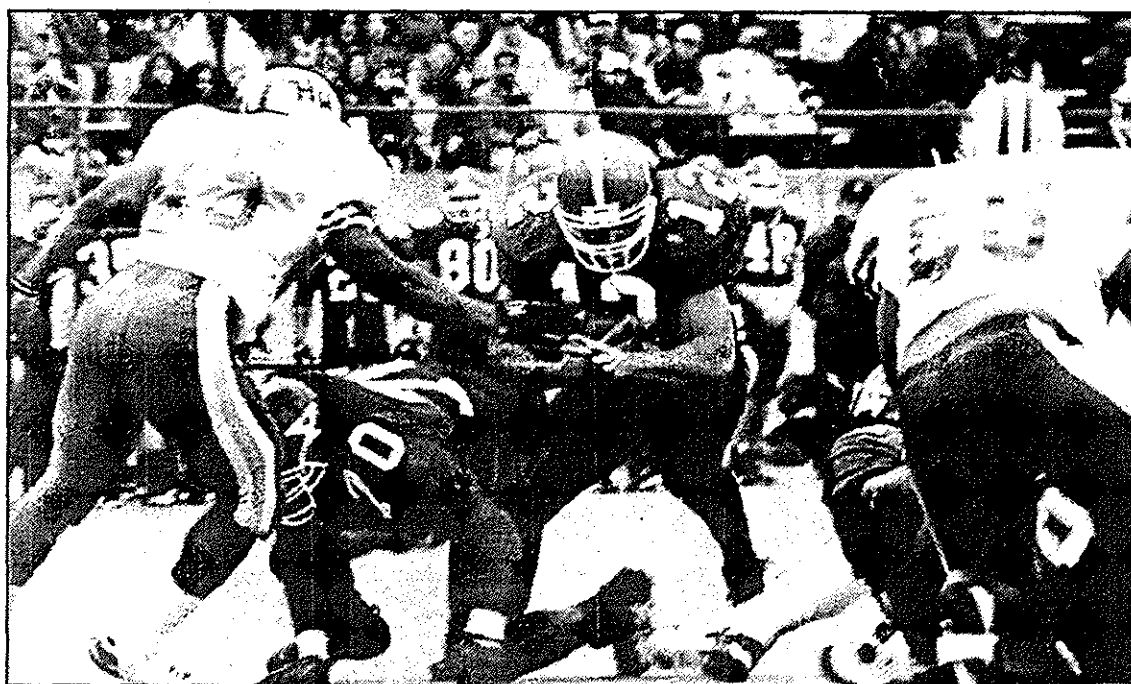
Head Coach Jim Tressel has stressed turnovers all season for the Penguin football team - having less and creating more. This philosophy was key in the Penguins' 28-13 win over Hampton University Saturday in the Ice Castle.

In first round action, YSU capitalized on two Pirate fumbles in the first half and one in the second half for three of its four touchdowns.

Sophomore Adrian Brown scored on a 16-yard pass from senior quarterback Demond Tidwell, after the Penguins regained possession on a Hampton fumble caused by junior defensive end Jarritt Goode.

Senior strong safety Eugene Lewis scooped up the fumble and ran it 55 yards to the Hampton 20 yard line. Four plays later and an extra point from sophomore kicker Mark Griffith, the Penguins had a 7-0 lead.

Junior strong safety Jake Anderson forced the second fumble, as senior linebacker Reggie Scurry ran it back for 30



DAVE LONG, THE JAMBAR

BREAK ON THROUGH: Sophomore running back Adrian Brown carries the ball in the Penguins' first round playoff win over the Hampton Pirates Saturday in the Ice Castle.

yards to the Pirates 40 yard line.

The Penguins converted on the fumble as Brown again scored on a 1-yard rush up the middle.

"We said going into this last stretch, if we can do a better job at creating turnovers and certainly not having them, that would be a great plus for us," said Tressel.

Both teams used the first quar-

ter as a feeling-out period, with YSU taking charge of the game in the second quarter scoring three of its four touchdowns.

Sophomore receiver Renauld Ray scored on a 21-yard pass from Tidwell on a drive that started at the Penguins own 46 yard line due to a catch interference penalty against the Pirates on a Matt

William's punt.

The Penguins' final score came after Hampton's Donald Turner fumbled the punt return and senior bandit Jeff Packrell recovered it at the Pirates 13 yard line.

Brown brought the Penguins to the Hampton 8 yard line and junior running back Jake Andreadis ran the ball in on an 8-yard rush.

"We had one turnover, so if we can get it down to zero and keep the take aways up, we've got a chance to continue to advance," said Tressel.

Despite YSU's success on turnovers, the Penguins trailed Hampton in first downs, rushing yards, passing yards and time of possession.

The Pirates managed to score two touchdowns before the contest ended, one on a 8-yard keeper by quarterback Roy Johnson.

"We're very pleased, we are happy that we are going to Philadelphia," said Tressel. "We understand we are going to have to play better than we did today when we face the No. 1 team in the country. We thought we played well at first, but we got a little sloppy as we went."

The win gave YSU its ninth straight playoff game and ended the Pirates' 10-game winning streak.

"We are just as happy as can be to advance to the second round, and now we'll see what we are made of in round two," said Tressel.

The Penguins will take the road to face No. 1 ranked Villanova Saturday.



DAVE LONG, THE JAMBAR

PENGUIN POWER: (Counter clockwise) Punter J.J. Stefancin punts the ball, outside linebacker Mike Stanec pressures Hampton's quarterback, Roy Johnson and Renauld Ray catches a touchdown pass in the Penguins' 28-13 win over the Pirates in the first round of NCAA Division I-AA playoffs Saturday.



DAVE LONG, THE JAMBAR



DAVE LONG, THE JAMBAR

Deligianis receives honor as Gateway Defensive Player of the Year

YSU senior defensive tackle Harry Deligianis was named the Gateway Football Conference Defensive Player of the Year and six other Penguins were named to the First-Team as the Gateway released All-Conference selections Wednesday.

Running back Jake Andreadis, offensive tackles Todd Kollar and Matt Hogg, linebacker Tom Paolucci, free safety Dwyte Smiley and Deligianis all earned first-team accolades.

Linebacker Mike Stanec, quarterback Demond Tidwell and running back Adrian Brown received Honorable Mention honors.

Deligianis, from Ashtabula, led the Gateway with 11 sacks and 40 quarterback pressures. Fourteen of his tackles were for minus yardage. While Deligianis recorded only 35 tackles, he was in-

strumental as the Penguins led the Gateway in total defense and scoring defense.

"Harry had an outstanding year for our defense," said YSU Head Coach Jim Tressel. "He required a lot of attention. Sometimes he took on two or three blockers and allowed our other defenders to make plays."

Andreadis, from Cincinnati, was fourth in the Gateway in rushing as he scampered for a career-high 805 yards and nine touchdowns. He rushed for a season-high 123 yards in the Penguins' win over Southwest Missouri State. He was second in the league with a 6.1 per carry average.

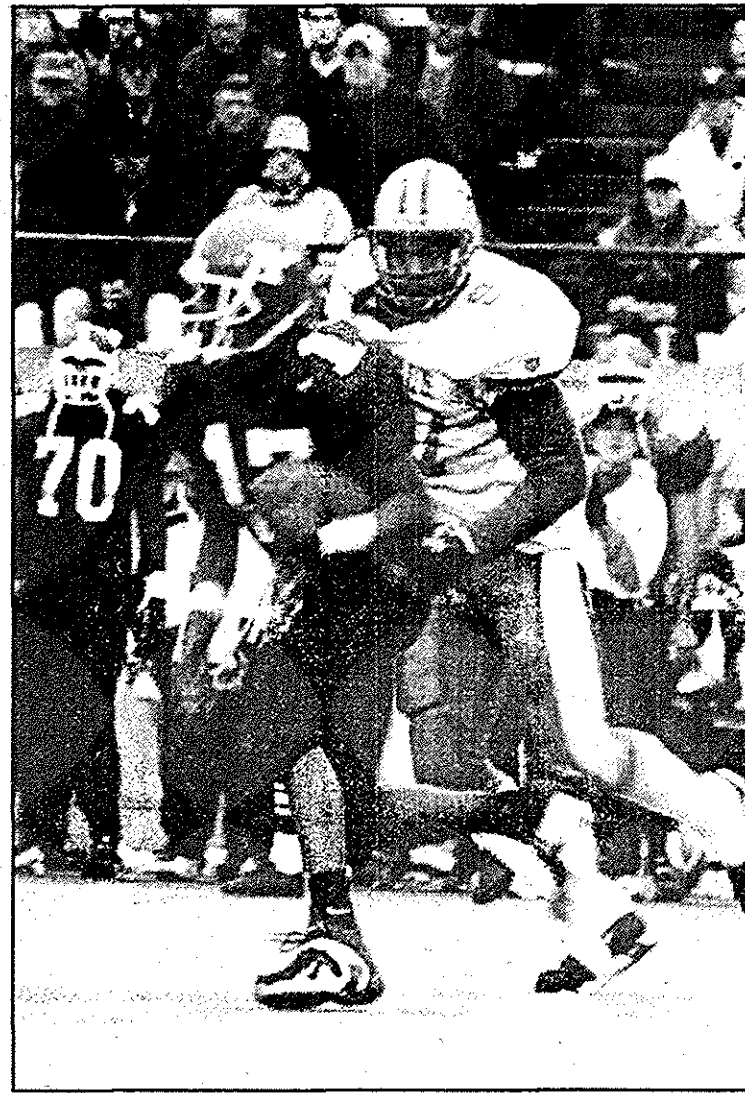
Kollar, from North Lima, and Hogg, from Slippery Rock, each played huge roles as the Penguins enjoyed one of their finest offensive seasons. The Penguins were second

in the league in rushing and scoring and third in total offense. Hogg was a preseason All-America selection and an All-Gateway Honorable Mention choice in August.

Paolucci, from Warren, was second on the team in tackles for the third straight season. The Warren JFK product was credited with 56 tackles. He had one interception and recorded four tackles for losses.

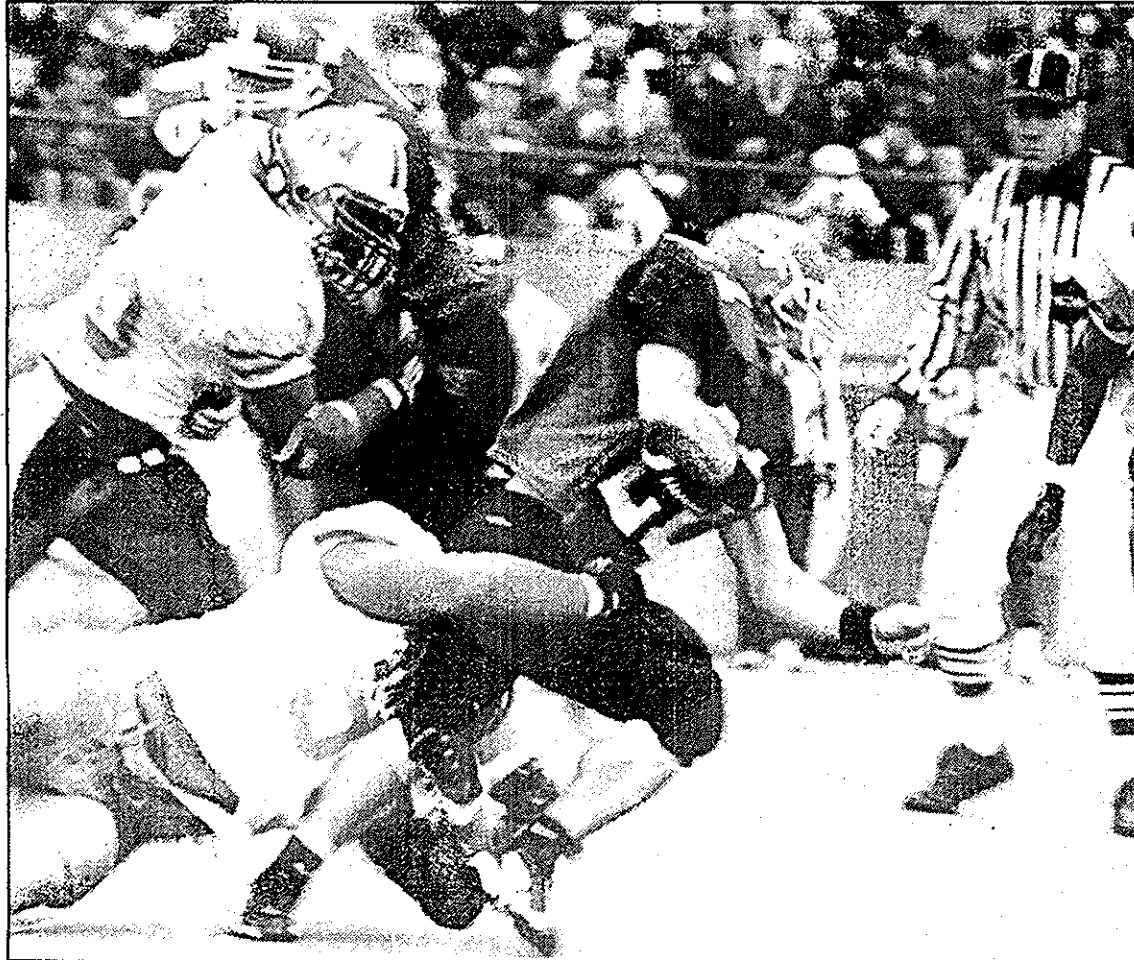
Smiley, from Kent, led the Penguins in tackles with 61 during his sophomore season. In the final regular-season game against Western Illinois, he recorded a career-high 14 tackles and was named the Rawling's Gateway Defensive Player of the Week.

The Penguins finished the regular season at 9-2 and 4-2 in their first season in the Gateway.



TERRY ESARCO THE JAMBAR

THINK FAST: Senior quarterback Demond Tidwell runs from a Hampton defender with the ball as he is pressured by a Hampton defender.



TERRY ESARCO, THE JAMBAR

MOVING RIGHT ALONG: Junior running back Jake Andreadis drags a Hampton defender along as he carries the ball up field to add to his 86-yards rushing for YSU.

Spellman leads YSU past Duquesne

PITTSBURGH - Senior forward Willie Spellman scored a season-high 24 points and hauled down eight rebounds as the YSU men's basketball team knocked off Duquesne, 76-70 Saturday.

Spellman hit 10 of 16 shots from the floor, including three three-pointers as the Penguins moved to 2-1 on the year. The Dukes fell to 1-3. It was the first win ever for the Penguins against Duquesne.

Red-shirt freshman David Brown, who scored nine points and hauled down 10 rebounds, ignited the Penguins down late in the game as he scored seven points down the stretch to seal the victory. His dunk with just 1:47 left

in the game put the Penguins up 73-67.

The Penguins had had their biggest margin of the game of seven points with 55 seconds remaining when Anthony Hunt made a driving lay-up to push the lead to 75-68.

"The shot clock was running down," said senior Anthony Hunt. "I needed to make a quick move to get a good shot off."

The Penguins had three players score in double figures with 15 points coming from Hunt, 11 points from DeVon Lewis and 10 points from Maurice Anderson.

"Once we adjusted to their half-court trap," said YSU Head Coach Dan Peters, "we were in a lot better

shape. I thought our kids played hard and we shot the ball pretty well this afternoon. When we shoot the ball well and do not make mistakes, we have the ability to be a good basketball team."

YSU hit 28 of 61 shots for a shooting percentage of 45.9 percent, including 55.6 percent in the second half. More importantly, the Penguins were 16 of 20 from the free throw line. Hunt was 7 of 7 from the line and Lewis and Anderson each hit 3 of 4.

Guard Mike James paced the Dukes with 30 points.

The Penguins will be back at home Wednesday, when they face Fairleigh Dickinson at 7 p.m. in Beeghly Center.

Beach named Mid-Con Player of the Week; out 3-4 weeks for surgery

Senior forward Shannon Beach has been named the Mid-Continent Conference Player of the Week for the week of Dec. 1.

Beach, who scored a career-high 25 points against the University of Missouri, Kansas City, noted her first double double of the season with 10 rebounds against the Kangaroos to lead YSU to a 66-58 win.

Beach also scored 14 points against Akron to aid in YSU's 73-58 victory over the Zips.

Beach will undergo arthroscopic knee surgery to repair

damaged miniscus Wednesday, announced Head Coach Ed DiGregorio Monday.

Beach, who is the team's leading scorer with 17.0 points per game, is expected to be sidelined three to four weeks and miss five games. She is expected to return against Mid-Continent foe Northeastern Illinois Jan. 3, 1998.

"The bad thing is Shannon will be out the next five games," said DiGregorio. "But the good thing is she will return when our conference schedule resumes."

Lady Penguins claim victory on the road

JAMIE LYNN REESH
SPORTS EDITOR

YSU had only a 36-35 lead going into halftime, but turned things up in the second half to take the win.

Senior Colleen Cook registered six steals for the Lady Penguins.

In action against UMKC, Beach came up big for YSU with her 25 points. She fired 9 of 18 from the floor and hit two three-pointers. Beach also collected 10 rebounds.

McCombs also hit two three-pointers and scored 12 points. She also added five steals and six rebounds.

Martin and Jones scored ten a piece. Jones grabbed nine rebounds and connected on 2 of 2 three-point attempts. Martin went 4 of 4 from the foul line and pulled down six rebounds.

YSU again went into halftime with a one-point lead and pulled ahead in the second half.

The Lady Penguins will be in action over the weekend for the UNLV Tournament.

The Lady Penguin basketball team was victorious in both of their games on the road last week, defeating the University of Akron 73-58 and the University of Missouri, Kansas City 66-58.

Senior Caroline McCombs led the charge against Akron, scoring a team high 25 points. She hit 3 of 5 from behind the arc and 9 of 18 from the floor. McCombs came up with four steals as well.

Three other Lady Penguins scored in double figures for YSU.

Seniors Shannon Beach and Teresita Jones hit 14 points a piece. Beach nailed two three-pointers and pulled down seven rebounds, while Jones snatched a team high nine rebounds.

Senior Ann Marie Martin scored 10 points and grabbed eight rebounds.

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University housing available for winter and spring quarters. Contact Housing Services at 742-3547.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Are new age teachings the same ancient wisdom that's nourished emerging consciousness for thousands of years? The Rosicrucian Order, AMORC. HTTP://WWW.ROSICRUCIAN.ORG. or Box 2433 Youngstown, Ohio 44509.

Alpha Phi Sigma is sponsoring their

second annual NTN Trivia Challenge on Wednesday, December 3, at 9:30 p.m. Open to all honor societies/organizations the event takes place at BW3's, downtown. Up to four members per team. Prizes donated by BW3's. \$10 entry fee per team. Call Laura Prizzi (330) 744-5361 ext. 341 or Rob Wardle (330) 788-8137 for more information. All proceeds donated to charity.

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Experience the beauty of St. Petersburg, Russia and help those in need on a service-learning trip March 18 to 28, 1998. Do reconstruction work in an orphanage, meet Russian faculty and students, visit historic sites. We will take sleeper train to Moscow, see Red Square and tour Kremlin. \$100 deposit needed by Dec. 15. Call 743-0439 or 742-3462. Financial assistance available to YSU students.

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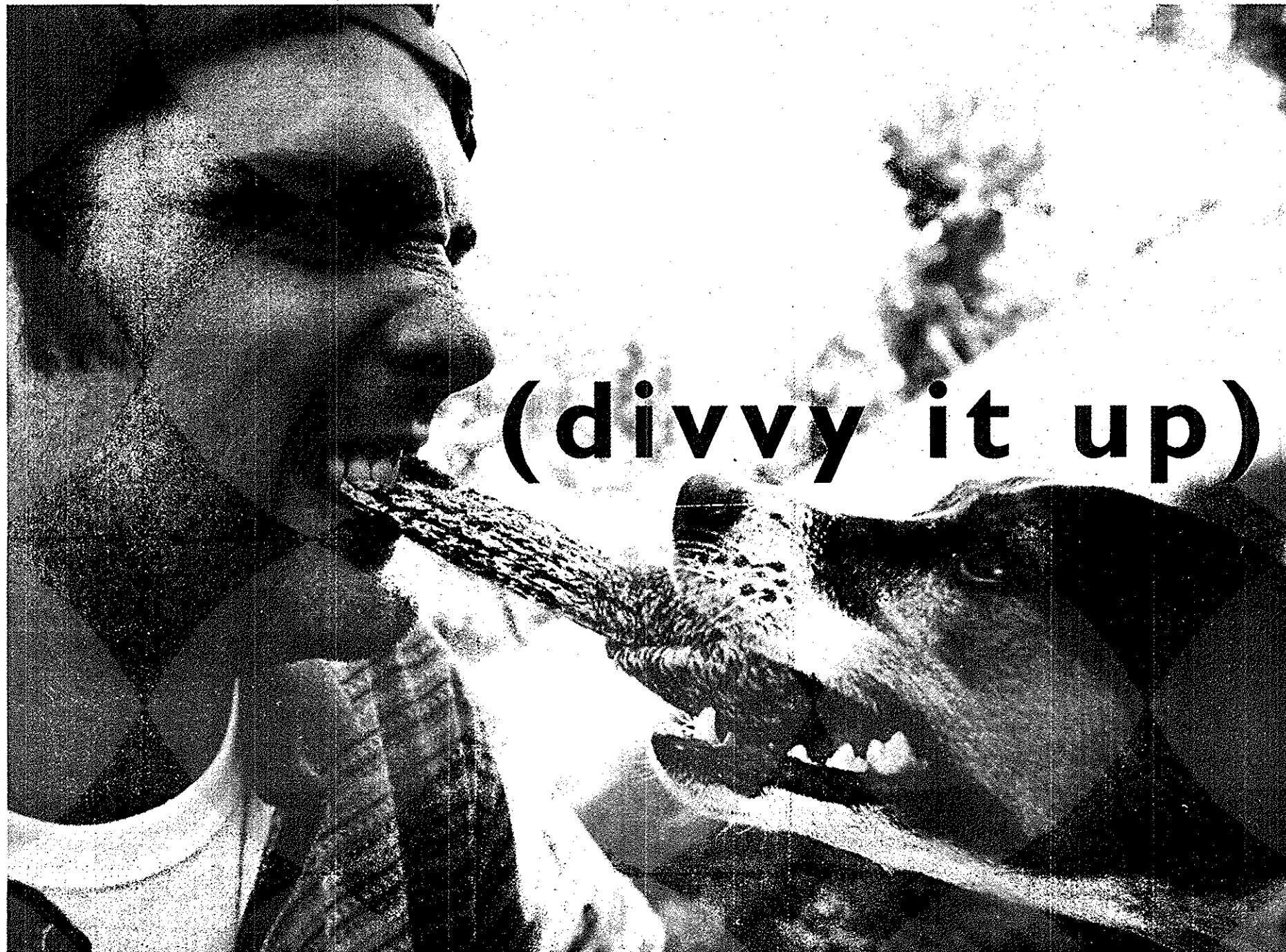
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Tuesday, January 6, 1998
12:00PM - Pub
7:00PM - Christman Dining Commons

AROMATHERAPY & GUIDED IMAGERY



Wednesday, December 3

8:00 - 10:00AM, Kilcawley Scarlet Room

12:00 - 2:00PM, Bresnahan Reception Room

Fall '97 Workshops

TEST ANXIETY & RELAXATION

12/1 Monday 3:00p.m. Kilcawley Center, Room 2069

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DR. MARTIN CALA - INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERS . . .

Currently in his eighth year of YSU, he is an Associate Professor in Industrial and Systems Engineering and is the adviser to I.I.E., the Institute of Industrial Engineers. A native of Jamestown, N.Y., he earned his undergraduate degree from Duke University in 1978, and both his MA and PhD from Binghamton University (formerly New York State University of Binghamton) in 1987 and 1991 respectively. His innovative ideas include a recently completed web site (www.eng.ysu.edu/indust), his hands-on involvement with scholarship opportunities and coordination of departmental awards for I.I.E. "Student of the Year" and "Professor of the Year." His organization is a past recipient of the Student Activities Office Constellation Award, while each spring they play host to a reception for local companies where their sophomore students are employed. Some of the local companies that they have hosted include Packard Electric, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Alltronic, Inc. and the U.S. Postal Service. This upcoming January and February, the group will be heading to both Cleveland and Toronto, and all parties interested in accompanying the organization can call Ext. 1746.



DENISE WALTERS-DOBSON-NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS ORGANIZATION . . .

The long time adviser who helped organize the Non-Traditional Student Organization, she is currently the Assistant Director of Admissions at YSU and has been employed by the University since September 1983. Born and raised in historic Alton, IL (site of the famous Lincoln/Douglas debates), she earned her BA in Psychology from Augustana College and her MS in Education in Counseling from YSU. While at Youngstown State University, she has served as Admission Graduate Assistant, Adult Student Admissions Counselor, Career Planning Counselor, Career Beginnings Program Director, Co-facilitator of the SCOPE Program, International Admissions Counselor (some admission positions were held simultaneously) and Assistant Director of Scholarships and Financial Aid. In addition to serving as NTSCO advisor, her other campus involvement includes Phi Kappa Phi, Student Affairs Assessment Committee, Metro Campus Advisory Committee, the YSU Women's Club and Scholarship Committee Chair. She calls her greatest achievement, however, building a 16' sailboat.

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MONDAY - FRIDAY

DECEMBER 15-19

DECEMBER 22 - 24

DECEMBER 29 - 31

JANUARY 2

AQUATIC CENTER	12NOON - 3PM
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WEIGHT ROOM	10AM - 2PM
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COURTS	10AM - 4PM

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