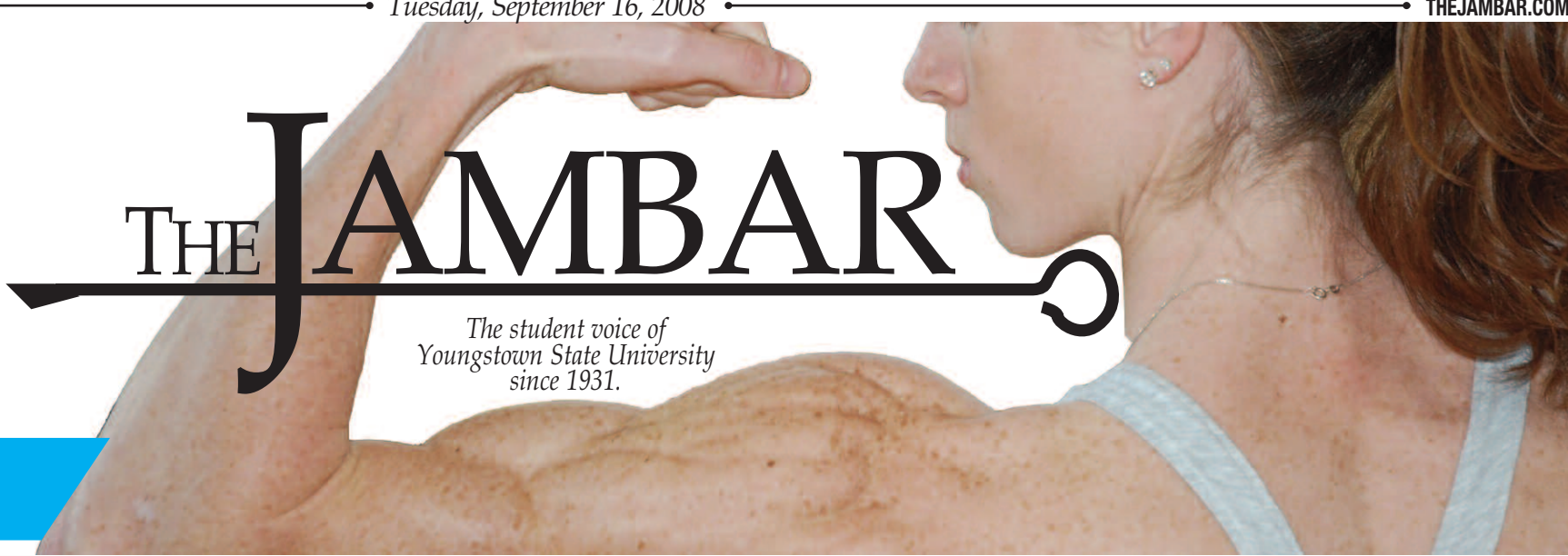


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Resident, enrollment numbers increase

J. Breen Mitchell
NEWS EDITOR

Along with an increase in overall enrollment, there are also more students living on campus than at any other time in Youngstown State University history.

There are 1,291 students living on campus, according to a news release issued on Sept. 11.

Danielle Meyer, director of uni-

versity housing, said that number is a combination of Buechner hall, University Courtyard apartments, and university housing.

"Sixty-three percent of our residents from last year are living in some type of on campus housing," Meyer said.

She said this level of retention represents one of the main reasons for the increase.

Numbers for first year residents in university campus were slightly

lower this year than last year, Meyer said.

Meyer said it isn't yet clear whether the increase in students living on campus is proportional to the overall increase in enrollment.

"We're looking into that right now," she said.

Jack Fahey, executive director of student services, said there is not typically a connection between housing and enrollment. Fahey said while this year's numbers are still

being studied, last year's enrollment was based mainly on retention. This would not affect any increase in residents, which are made up primarily of students who come from outside the Youngstown area.

Meyer said while the information on whether or not there is a correlation between the number of students enrolled and the number that live on campus is still being sorted

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STATE

Strategic plan favors certain disciplines

Other deans say STEM and Health and Human Services may get most attention

Sarah Sole

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Chancellor Eric Fingerhut's 10-year Strategic Plan for Higher Education, which asks institutions in the University System of Ohio to select centers of excellence, gives preference to scientific disciplines, said Shearle Furnish, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences.

Furnish said some CLASS faculty have expressed concern that Fingerhut's plan ignores the humanities and general education.

Despite this, most professors in the humanities know that their disciplines aren't seen as "engines of industry," Furnish said. Additionally, he said he isn't worried about a possible lack of funding should areas within CLASS not be chosen.

"All the rest of us who might not be designated as centers of excellence have nothing to fear about less support then we enjoy now," Furnish said.

Furnish said disciplines such as health and engineering have a better chance of generating businesses in the region.

Martin Abraham, dean of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics was out of his office Monday when The Jambar attempted to contact him.

Joseph Edwards, dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts, also said Fingerhut's plan involves attaching areas of study from YSU to economic development. Like Furnish, he said that certain areas in STEM and the College of Health and Human Services fall more naturally in this category.

Still, Edwards cited examples of

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PARKING

Violators to be towed from unauthorized parking areas around campus

Darlene Wagner

REPORTER

McDonald's and Taco Bell offer a variety of items on their value menus. Youngstown State University students who park their cars at these establishments when they go to class may find out that towing fees are not on them.

The Butler, Winslow's, Mighty Moe's and Inner Circle Pizza also provide parking for customers only. Signs are posted in conspicuous places at these businesses surrounding campus state there is "parking for customers only." "Violators will be towed at the owner's expense," the signs warn.

Lt. Mike Cretella, Youngstown State University Police Department, said there have been very few incidents of towing cars this semester.

"Things have been going great and we had no incidents of cars being towed on campus this week-end," he said. Cretella also said the Youngstown State University Police Department and parking services are only responsible for

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WEATHER



WICK-ED WINDS

BLOWN AWAY - A tree was uprooted in Wick Park from the gusty winds of Sunday night's storm. Many students are still without power.

Students suffer power outages from Northeast Ohio storm

Samantha Pysher
REPORTER

Hurricane Ike blew through Ohio and western Pa. Sunday night with 60 mph winds, said Mark Durbin, Ohio Edison Electric Company's spokesperson for Northeast Ohio.

The winds left one million customers without electricity between Northeast Ohio and Western Pa. said Durbin.

Durbin said there are approximately 86,000 homes in the Youngstown area that are still in the dark.

"Depending on how severe the damage is, it could be by the end of the week before power is restored," said Durbin.

"A tree hit our house," said freshman Ashley Emerson. "Our front porch is gone."

Emerson said once the tree hit

her family's home, they left for a friend's house.

"I was working on a paper when the electricity went out," said Emerson.

She said her family was left in the dark around 6:30 p.m. and they don't plan on having electricity back until Sunday.

Until electricity is restored Emerson said she plans on staying with a family friend.

"As long as they fix it by next week," said Emerson. "But we know they [the electric company] are busy," she said.

Parts of Youngstown State University, including Buechner Residence Hall were left without power.

Sophomore and Buechner resident Becky Kernick said she was watching the Pittsburgh Steelers and Cleveland Browns game when the electricity went out.

Kernick said the electricity

went out around 8:30 p.m. and came back on around 1 p.m.

"It was an inconvenience," she said. "I used my cell phone and flashlight for light."

Joshlyn Knipp, also a Buechner Hall resident was watching the Steelers and Browns game on Sunday when the residents were left in the dark.

Knipp said the first thing that came to her mind when the electricity went out was that she hoped a tornado wouldn't follow.

"I used my cell phone as an alarm clock," she said.

Junior Benito Velazquez said his electricity went out around 9:30 p.m. His electricity is still out.

Velazquez said he remained calm at first, "then I opened my door and saw that all the lights on my street were out," said Velazquez, who had also been watching the game.

"I assumed that we would be

"I was working on a paper when the electricity went out."

Ashley Emerson, freshman

without power for awhile, so I forced myself to go to bed," he said.

Velazquez said he kept thinking that he didn't get hit with the storm as hard as others.

Gov. Ted Strickland declared a state of emergency Monday to give the state flexibility to use state resources.

MONEY

New funding formula to align with state's goals

Tami Young
REPORTER

A new school funding formula is expected to be part of Gov. Strickland's next state budget in early 2009. The new formula will no longer focus on higher enrollment numbers, but on quality education.

The school funding formula is a complex blueprint that Ohio uses to determine state funding for each university. Developing the formula will be an "open consultative process with broad participation," the guidelines state.

The idea of the improved formula is to raise quality education, said Michael Chaney, chief communications officer.

The formula will be "rewarding quality, rather than just how many people they enroll," Chaney said. How well each university reaches the goals set forth in Chancellor Fingerhut's Strategic Plan for Higher Education will determine each college's funding amount.

Chancellor Fingerhut's goals for the state are: graduating more students, keeping graduates in Ohio and attracting more talent to Ohio.

As of fiscal year 2006 the total of degrees earned, including associate, bachelor's and graduate was 72,657. The goal for 2017 is 100,000. The second goal is to raise the 66.26 percent of graduates living in Ohio after three years of obtaining their degree to 70 percent.

The third goal is to increase the number of people with degrees aging from 22 to 64, from 9,120 to 10,000.

The formula will provide predictability and financial stability for institutions, ensuring state funding for Youngstown State University.

Each institute will submit what they feel their center of excellence will be. A center of excellence will allow an institute to "focus on what they are good at and not spreading themselves too thin," Chaney said.

The funding formula will also acknowledge different costs in academic programs and will adjust to meet these costs and support cost efficiency. The formula guidelines state that it will provide continuous



support and improve systematic partnership among state colleges and universities in achieving the state goals. The formula will match and incorporate state policies regarding institutional funding, student tuition, student financial aid and institutional capital funding.

Chancellor Fingerhut's office is expected to release a statement at the end of September with more specifics about the new formula.

YSU

News Briefs

Students win "outstanding" awards at MathFest

Four of the 11 Youngstown State University students that were sent to the MathFest in Madison, Wisconsin came home winners. In the past four years, YSU students have won 18 "outstanding" awards. Matt Alexander of Espyville, Pa., Ryan Livingston of Hubbard, Jared Ruiz of Girard, and Doug Wajda of Farmdale are among the winners this year.

Homework Express debuts fourth season

Homework Express debuts its fourth season on Sept. 16. It is produced and aired directly from the YSU campus by YSU students. This season will include Smart Technology, which is designed to help teachers better assist their students. Kelly Stevens of the radio station Hot 101 will return as host.

New York Times writer set to speak in Kilcawley

Steven Greenhouse of The New York Times will speak in the presidential suite in Kilcawley Center on Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. about his new book, "The Big Squeeze." The book deals with economic problems. The event is sponsored by the Center for Working Class Studies.

Police Briefs

Police respond to 911 hang up

On Sept. 10, two officers responded to a 911 hang-up call from a Kilcawley House elevator. During the call, a male voice said, "Help, we're stuck," but later replied, "It was just an accident." Even after reviewing the elevator video of the incident, officers could not determine who pushed the emergency button or spoke during the call. Since the start of fall semester, officers have responded to 17 911 hang-up calls in the Kilcawley House elevator.

Possible exposé outside Kilcawley Center

A Youngstown State University police officer was dispatched to catering services in Kilcawley Center on Sept. 8 to meet with a woman about a male subject who possibly exposed himself. The woman said she was outside near the loading dock when the male subject began approaching her. According to the woman, the male subject put his hand in his gray sweatpants and said he had to go to the restroom. The woman told him he was not going to do so there and went inside to notify the authorities. Afterward, two of the woman's co-workers went outside and saw a man fitting the description headed in the direction of the Kilcawley House breezeway.

Student reports attempted robbery in Moser Hall

A YSU student reported nearly being robbed while waiting for an elevator on the second floor of Moser Hall on Sept. 10. The woman, who had her purse over her right arm, said a male subject bumped into her and tried to open her purse. Once the woman realized what was happening, she told the male subject that he would not be able to retrieve anything because the purse was zipped. Immediately afterward, the subject apologized and exited down a stairwell.

Cell phone reported missing from Beeghly locker

On Sept. 10, a male diver reported his cell phone stolen from Beeghly Center. He said he had left the cell phone in an unlocked locker in the second floor men's room while diving for the Boardman Swim Team. Upon his return, the cell phone was missing; the male then notified the campus police.

Student study spots are as varied as subjects studied

Emmalee C. Torisk
REPORTER

It's that time of the semester when the first few leisurely weeks of classes have subsided, making room for an abundance of tests, quizzes and papers. Often, this flurried time of fear and panic has many students wondering where to escape the chaos when it's time to buckle down.

Although this problem cannot be answered as simply as those on a multiple-choice exam, students can rest assured that there is no right or wrong answer to the timeless college query of where to study. In fact, Dr. Karen Becker, coordinator of the Reading and Study Skills Center, said study spots are a very personal choice and really only depend upon the individual student.

"Some students like sound, action and the feeling of being in the middle of things, while others need quiet," Becker said.

According to student survey responses in which 38 participants were asked to write down the places they like to study, many Youngstown State University students echoed similar thoughts, and said they had different reasons for choosing a study space, including the amount of noise and distractions,

"I don't like to study at my house because there are always a million other things that I could be doing instead of studying."

— Lauren Masters, junior

tions, the atmosphere or environment and the food.

For those who tend to concentrate better in a quiet setting, Maag Library is a popular choice, mainly for its relative silence, convenience, resources and lack of interruptions. An added bonus is the snacks and drinks offered on the third floor at Jazzman's Cafe, according to student survey responses.

Nineteen students polled wrote down Maag, and two said they liked studying in the fifth floor of the library — 5A in particular.

"It's very quiet and cozy," said junior Andrea Armeni, describing 5A. "It's high up, so it's a good view if you get a window spot."

Although Maag Library and the public library are popular study spots, some students dislike the atmosphere and silence.

"My least favorite place to study on campus is the library. It's too quiet and I hate fluorescent lights,"

said sophomore Danielle McEvey. "I like to study anywhere outside. It makes it less rigid and doesn't feel as much like studying."

Three students recommended studying at places like Mill Creek Park, Boardman Park and Howland Park for a taste of the outdoors.

Sophomore Sarah Kramer also likes studying outside, especially at the fountain by Kilcawley Center.

"The fountain is a relaxing spot where I can study, yet not feel so frantic about it," Kramer said.

Coffee shops and cafes, such as The Beat, Starbucks, Winslow's and Caribou Coffee, along with bookstores like Barnes & Noble and Borders, are also common study areas both for their setting and snacks. Nine students wrote down that they liked studying at coffee shops, cafes and bookstores.

Panera Bread is a popular choice as well, Kramer said.

"Panera Bread has a very

relaxed atmosphere and plus, I can grab some good food," she said.

Senior Danielle Koche also likes studying in coffee shops and cafes.

"There are people moving about, but there is still a sense of a place to study," Koche said.

Various study lounges and lobbies, including those in DeBartolo Hall, Cushwa Hall and Kilcawley Center, are also ideal for students who like peace and quiet. Fifteen students recommended study lounges and lobbies.

Even so, many students said that these lounges are sometimes both congested and noisy.

"My least favorite place to study on campus is any lounge or lobby with a lot of activity or a large crowd," said sophomore Jarrod Carr. He said he likes to study in the Bliss Hall lobby because it is a quiet, wide open area.

According to student survey responses, there are quite a few

areas to stay away from when looking for a silent place to study. One of the worst spots is Kilcawley Center, including Arby's and Peaberry's, because it is too busy, loud and distracting. When surveyed, 14 students said Kilcawley was a bad place to study.

Because of this, 31 students wrote down that they liked to hit the books in the dorms, at home or at a friend's house because it is a familiar, calm and quiet setting.

Many students also said that they were able to focus better on their own, without the distractions of others, and that they hardly ever study on campus because they are more relaxed in their own environment. Thirteen students surveyed said studying in the dorms, at home or at a friend's house could be distracting.

"I like to study in the dorms because you can control who you're with and your surroundings," said freshman Greg Julian. "I also like studying at friends' houses because you feel comfortable there."

However, some students said that studying at home is just as distracting, if not more so, than on campus.

"I don't like to study at my house because there are always a million other things that I could be doing instead of studying," said junior Lauren Masters.

YSU's hidden health insurance

Matt Lattanzi
REPORTER

For the past two years, Youngstown State University has offered students health insurance coverage from the Canton-based provider, Aultra Administrative Group. This plan is serviced through the Victor H. Buck and Guy G. Latessa Insurance Agencies.

The existence of this plan has been fairly low-key, which could be a hindrance to students who may actually need it.

"I didn't know there was one," said junior Siera Jackson.

Jackson's response falls in line with the majority of students on campus that have never heard about YSU's health insurance plan. Out of over 13,000 students attending YSU this semester, only "150 are currently enrolled in the plan," said insurance agent Guy G. Latessa.

When asked about the apparent lack of knowledge regarding the health plan, Latessa wasn't surprised. He said YSU has not done as much as they could to get the word out to the students.

"We have attempted to contact The Jambar several times this summer about running an ad in the paper, but have not gotten a response yet," said Latessa.

Information is readily available on the YSU homepage. Yet to access it, a student must navigate to the section of student health serv-

ices, which is buried in the menu bar.

Another possible reason for the lack of knowledge about the plan could be a lack of interest from commuter students who, traditionally, do not need it. "Because a large population [of the students] live off campus, many have insurance through their parents ... or employer," said Latessa.

Even so, the tide seems to be changing slightly. In the beginning of the fall semester, YSU sent a bulk e-mail advertisement on the CUE mail system, which Latessa said resulted in an influx of new applications.

Despite the lack of fanfare, YSU has offered a health plan for several years. Originally it was offered through Bollinger Insurance until the switch was made to Aultra two years ago.

"The Aultra premium was more competitive," said Latessa. The Aultra Group was brought to their attention because of the positive feedback received from its dealings with Walsh University.

The coverage periods for the Aultra plan run from Aug. 1 through Jan. 12 for fall and Jan. 12 through July 31 for spring enrollment. The cost of fall semester coverage is \$446. The cost of the spring coverage is \$546. Latessa said winter and spring breaks are included in this coverage.

The best element to the plan, said Latessa, is that "students are covered ... through Aug. 1, even if they graduate, which gives them

plenty of time to find a job and gain coverage through them."

The details of the insurance policy are decided by Latessa in conjunction with Jack Fahey of student services and nurse supervisor, Sue Ferrier.

"The University wanted the plan to be comprehensive, but also wanted students to be able to afford it," said Latessa.

The plan is based around a Preferred Provider Organization system, which provides covered students with a list of doctors, hospitals and other services fully paid for by the agency. Latessa said the list is comprehensive, covering most doctors, hospitals and drug stores in the area.

The deductible of the plan is \$100, after which, barring exclusions, the bills will be paid for in full. The breadth of these exclusions is outlined in the brochure for the plan, but mainly deal with situations when either the medical bill is already covered through another party [work, car insurance, school] or if the ailment was incurred through illegal activity. If a student decides to go to a doctor outside of the PPO list, the deductible is \$250 and the bill is then split evenly between agency and student.

Latessa said he does not see coverage changing from year to year, though he added that premiums do change. However, he said that in the future he could not guarantee that Aultra would be the carrier.

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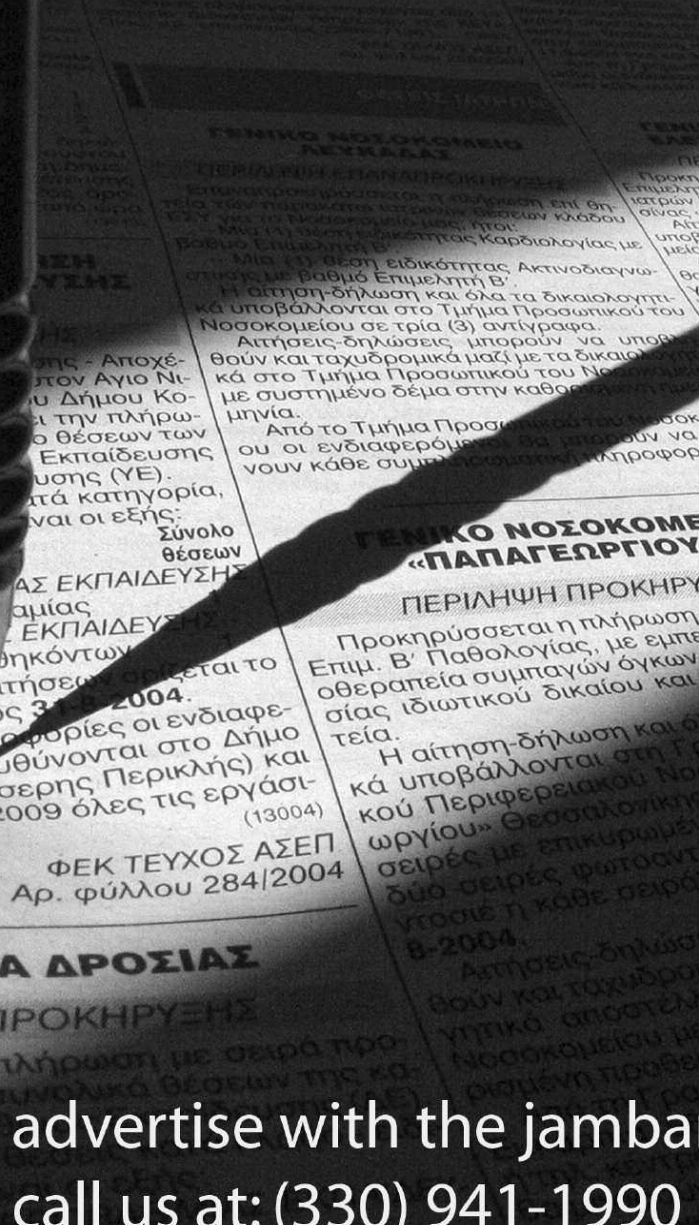
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Brad Pitt, sexiest man alive, is also one of the silliest

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Being beautiful isn't all it's cracked up to be. Sometimes you want to be respected for your brains and talent.

Just ask Brad Pitt.

This weekend audiences will find this cinema heartthrob in full silly mode in the Coen brothers' spy spoof "Burn After Reading." He's been cultivating silliness for a long time.

Almost from the weekend in 1991 when movie goers flocked to the opening of "Thelma & Louise" and laid eyes on Pitt as a young, charming, impossibly sexy cowpoke, this Springfield, Mo., native and former University of Missouri student was marked as the guy women want to look at and guys want to be.

Pitt has been smart enough to run with that, to make sure that every once in a while he shows up on screen as a sexy hunk. Roles like that are his money in the bank.

But I can't think of another movie sex symbol — male or female — who has worked as doggedly to defy that label at every opportunity.

Almost immediately after hitting it big, Pitt began toying with his image.

For his 1992 "A River Runs Through It" director Robert Redford capitalized on Pitt's charm, casting him as a self-destructive small-town rogue. But in his next film, the crime thriller "Kalifornia," Pitt hid behind a skuzzy beard and shaggy mane. And the next time we saw him, in the Quentin Tarantino-penned "True Romance," he was even hairier

in a brief performance as an emaciated drug freak. Not only was it a comic role, but the pretty dude of "Thelma & Louise" was all but unrecognizable.

In fact, Pitt has devoted much of his career to hiding behind characters that are the antithesis of the pretty boy.

He'll grow hair. He'll shave it off. He'll whip it into absurd pompadours.

He'll adopt impenetrable accents (like the Irish gypsy pugilist he played so memorably in Guy Ritchie's "Snatch").

He'll portray medium-sized roles in big ensemble productions ("Babel," the "Ocean's" series) and knows how to exert just enough star power to make his characters memorable without capsizing the boat.

He's not afraid to play neurotic or scary. If you haven't seen him as Jesse James in "The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford," go rent the DVD. Yeah, he oozes the James charisma ... but he's also certifiably mad, a paranoid around whom no one is safe.

For every good-looking leading man gig he accepts ("Mr. & Mrs. Smith"), Pitt offers two or three unusual, unexpected performances. Sometimes he even combines the two, as in "Fight Club," where he played Edward Norton's sexually charged, anti-establishment feather boa-wearing alter ego.

And in "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" (Dec. 25) we'll see him as a man who is born as an aged adult and gradually gets younger.

Most of all, he likes playing goofy. I'd put Pitt on the short list of our best comic actors. He's not afraid to look ridiculous ... in

“For every good-looking leading man gig he accepts, Pitt offers two or three unusual, unexpected performances.”

fact he courts it.

In "Burn After Reading" we get Pitt in full funnyman mode as Chad Feldheimer, a trainer at Hardbodies Gym. Chad obtains a computer disc filled with useless information and becomes convinced it's a treasure trove of spy stuff that he can sell to the highest bidder.

Chad likes to think he's sharp, but his cocky pose is as phony as the blond highlights in his hair.

He's at his most natural when doing a little funky dance of celebration to the music playing in his head (or on his iPod). He's an infant in a tight shirt, a gum-chomping boob who might be narcissistic if he had any self-awareness at all.

When he tries to be mysterious and/or menacing, he's so transparent that nobody takes him seriously.

But Brad Pitt the comic actor? We can take him very seriously.



Storm watch: When weather plays a role in movies

Connie Ogle

MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

Any Atlantic or Gulf Coast resident with a TV or a computer these past few weeks has felt that sick dread, the sort that comes from too many hours in front of The Weather Channel. We're all thinking it. Let's just say it: Enough with the storm threats already.

But this is hurricane season, and this is where we live. Obsessing over the weather is an annual ritual. And so we stock up on water and batteries, fill up the gas tank, check that flashlights are working and hit the liquor store (well, some of us, anyway). We pore over the satellite images. And we get weary, really weary, of five-day cones.

But storms can be a lot more fun when they're confined to a DVD. After all, Dorothy would never have made it to Oz if not for that tornado. Here, in no particular order, are some ways to experience extreme weather without getting wet.

"Key Largo": In the 1948 classic starring Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall, a hurricane bears down on the small hotel overrun with gangsters led by Edward G. Robinson, interfering with their escape.

"The Perfect Storm": Gloucester fishermen aboard the Andrea Gail find themselves battling the mother of all hurricanes in the North Atlantic. Based on the nonfiction book by Sebastian Junger, the movie stars George Clooney, who, predictably, looks fantastic even with a scruffy beard and an overload of flannel.

"Twister": Tornado chasers follow the funnel clouds across the plains, driving fast and yelling a lot. Such excitement rebonds estranged couple Bill Paxton and Helen Hunt. Also, a cow flies. No word on whether pigs do the same.

"Wizard of Oz": Kansas is a black-and-white world until that tornado touches down and sends Dorothy down the yellow brick road. Still, the twister isn't half as scary as those hellish flying monkeys.

"The Day After Tomorrow": You name the weather-related disaster, it shows up in this goofy but enjoyable Roland Emmerich flick: tornadoes, twisters, tidal waves, floods and, just for laughs, the beginning of a new Ice Age, which dumps a ton of snow on Manhattan.

"The Fog": A ghostly fog blows into a West Coast beach town, ushering in some vengeful zombies who start laying waste to the townspeople. Old-school horror fans will steer you to the 1980 John Carpenter/Adrienne Barbeau cheesefest over the pretty but bland 2005 Tom Welling/Selma Blair version.

"The Mist": A mysterious mist blows into a small Maine town, and with it comes a series of giant, bloodthirsty bugs. Give me Hurricane Wilma and no power for a week any day.

"The Ice Storm": Rick Moody's solemn exploration of WASPs unmoored in the 1970s culminates in a winter storm that proves disastrous for an uptight Connecticut family.

"Hard Rain": A security guard (Christian Slater) and a robber (Morgan Freeman) clash over \$3 million during a deadly flood. It would take at least that much to get me to sit through this one again.

"Hurricane": The 1979 bomb with Mia Farrow — which is about as entertaining as plucking roof tiles from your neighbor's front lawn — was a remake of a better 1937 version with John Ford and Dorothy Lamour. In both, a scary storm interrupts life on an idyllic island.

"The Shining": The Overlook Hotel (proprietor: Jack Torrance) may be lovely in the summertime, but it's the last place on Earth you want to be during a winter storm, unless you hide all the axes.

"Invasion": In the short-lived ABC series, a nasty hurricane strikes South Florida — and brings an alien invasion in its wake. See? There are worse things than waiting in hourlong lines for gas or taking cold showers after a storm.

"An Inconvenient Truth": Al Gore's PowerPoint presentation on global warming won an Oscar and will either terrify you and make you so mad you'll fill up the Hummer and drive aimlessly just to spite him.

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through, she is optimistic about the future of university housing.

"It certainly gives us hope," she said.

Fahey said he attributes the increase to students being happy with their experiences with living on campus.

"I think the most important reason is that student satisfaction, particularly with dining services, is up," said Fahey.

There are 13,712 students enrolled as of the 14th day of classes. The Ohio Board of Regents mandates that universities take an official enrollment count at that time, and state funding has been

determined according to the count.

YSU president David Sweet said the count taken at the end of the term is what counts, and the process has evolved to reflect this.

Sweet said the chancellor of the board of regents is in the process of revising the funding formula, shifting it to a more outcome-based formula. The new formula will focus on graduation rates instead of enrollment numbers.

The focus will remain on enrollment for community colleges, said Sweet.

The shift to focus on graduation will not be immediate, but rather a gradual process, Sweet said.

Following the 14th day count,

Sweet said some students withdraw from the university.

"There is a drop," he said, adding that students have all different reasons they may need to drop classes.

Sweet said enrollment was one of the key goals he wanted to address when he came to YSU in 2000. He said the university had been in decline for years at that time.

In addition to enrollment, Sweet said his focus is on student retention.

"It's not just enrollment, but it's retain the student, it's graduate the student, and place that student in a good job," he said.

PARKING page 1

parking issues on campus and the surrounding business handle their own parking situations.

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"We are not offering parking service for students," said Newton "but we do let them park here for \$5. All the money is donated to the Ronald McDonald House Charity Fund."

Richard Soles, assistant general manager at Taco Bell, said they don't have many problems with students parking at the restaurant.

"Parking is strictly for our customers," said Soles. "During lunch time, when it's really crowded, we notice cars that have been here for a long time ... so we have to get them towed. We have signs posted all around so that people know," he said. Soles said Taco Bell's main goal with parking restrictions is to make sure their patrons have somewhere to park.

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PLAN page 3

how Fine and Performing Arts is an asset to the university and community. The college is home to education majors and is also a source of public art.

"We'll certainly put something forth," Edwards said of submitting areas of study to be considered as a center of excellence.

Edwards also said he wasn't concerned about funding, adding that he has confidence in the provost's office and administration. State funding may ease funding pressures for participating programs, he said. Additionally, some science and health areas require a higher investment than areas in other colleges do.

Edwards added that the colleges aren't competing for resources.

Janice Elias, interim dean for Health and Human Services, compared state funding for centers of excellence to grant money. State funding for a center of excellence is only part of the total funds that come from the state, she said.

As far as choosing a center of excellence from Health and Human Services, Elias said the areas of study within the college are "very strong."

Certainly something would be under consideration from the college, she said, adding that many students are attracted to YSU because of the programs within Health and Human Services.

Betty Jo Licata said the Williamson College of Business

Administration has a few programs that may be considered as possible centers of excellence.

"We're certainly interested in positioning global business and possibly entrepreneurship as possible areas," Licata said. One priority is identifying areas that are relevant to the greater economy.

It is too early in the discussion, said Licata, to determine how the selection of the centers of excellence may affect funding.

Provost Ikram Khawaja said the number of centers of excellence that a college could promote would depend upon the type of institution. He would be surprised, he said, if universities only chose one center.

YSU is in the process of assessing programs to be considered as centers of excellence, Khawaja said. The chancellor will then decide which centers will receive additional state funding.

In a meeting with The Jambar Friday, Fingerhut called the centers of excellence a joint investment, with priority funding from the state and the university.

Fingerhut said his role in developing centers for excellence would be defining excellence and ensuring that the areas colleges choose compliment one another.

"We really are looking to universities to pick," Fingerhut said.

The deadline for choosing centers of excellence is June 30, 2009.

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OUR SIDE EDITORIAL

Picking favorites may have consequences

RELATED STORY

Excellence, page 1

As state universities across Ohio await the determination of their "centers of excellence," we can't help but wonder what exactly this will mean for YSU.

Chancellor Eric Fingerhut said universities will have freedom in choosing their own areas of excellence from existing educational and research programs. He also said areas that are not designated as centers of excellence would still be required to maintain similar high standards.

If all of this is true, then what is the purpose of the designation?

Is it just an opportunity to advertise? If so, why does this need to be mandated?

If all departments are held to the standard of excellence, and there is only one standard of excellence as Fingerhut said, then to paraphrase from George Orwell's "Animal Farm," are some departments simply more excellent than others?

How will regular old programs of excellence become officially recognized centers for excellence? Will that affect their share of university budgets? At this point, the details are vague.

All of the colleges at all of the universities in the state are preparing to make their case for why they should be considered what they were already supposed to be.

It is the job of a university to offer an education that can be considered excellent.

It is the job of the Board of Regents to oversee these schools and ensure they are living up to these high standards.

Requiring them to undergo lengthy self-examinations to determine which areas they specialize in without having it really mean anything seems like a waste of time and effort.

"Center of Excellence" sure seems like a fancy word for "niche." Though we realize that it is Fingerhut's job to make sure that Ohio markets itself in the most practical and cost-efficient way as possible, there is the possibility that the state government could begin to micromanage.

Would it be best for students to choose a university according to its center of excellence, or will these centers merely overshadow the other programs offered by these universities. Aren't these programs also supposed to achieve greatness? At this rate, it seems like a waste of energy to have entire universities at all.

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COMMENTARY

Grilling Palin

Chicago Tribune

If you had a high opinion of Sarah Palin before Thursday's interview with ABC News, you probably still do. If you had thought she is not qualified to be president, the sit-down probably confirmed that judgment. And if you were withholding judgment, you most likely will want to see more before making up your mind.

Whether the session was a success for her depends on how the term is defined. Her admirers can take satisfaction that she handled herself with calm aplomb, correctly pronounced the names of foreign leaders, and didn't make any obvious missteps. Her detractors can point to her fogginess on the Bush doctrine, her robotic repetitions about not "second-guessing" Israel on Iraq, and her unconvincing insistence that she is ready to be president. Our judgment is that she passed this test but didn't ace it. And it's just the first of many she should be expected to take on.

It was obvious that before being named to the Republican ticket, Palin had spent little if any time contemplating issues of national security and foreign affairs. As a mayor and governor, she had no particular reason to. (Jimmy Carter and George W. Bush didn't either.) It was also obvious that in the last two weeks, she has worked hard getting up to speed on those subjects, with some success.

From what we've seen so far, it's safe to say that Palin is a natural politician who connects well with people but has a lot to learn about many international issues. She is probably quite equipped to be vice president. Four years of attending Cabinet meetings, sitting in on national security briefings, meeting foreign diplomats and representing the president in trips abroad would no doubt make Palin more comfortable on this unfamiliar turf.

The more urgent question is whether she is prepared to be president in the near future. That she is not.

There are plenty more questions that deserve answers. And if Palin can handle them with confidence and skill, she can do herself a world of good among voters who need proof that she can grow quickly into the responsibilities she seeks. It's a challenging assignment for someone suddenly thrown on to the national political scene.

Is she prepared to be president in the near future? She is not.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Editor,

On Sept. 6, John McCain said there were "tough times all over America." Days earlier, on Aug. 20, he said, "the fundamentals of the economy are strong."

Aren't massive job losses, soaring deficits, devaluation of the dollar, rising unemployment and the mortgage meltdown basic "fundamentals" of the economy? Which is it, John? How do you have a fundamentally strong economy when the aforementioned economic indicators have all headed south?

It's a question the media should be asking you.

Paul G. Jaehnert

COMMENTARY

Broad differences on taxes and Social Security

The Philadelphia Inquirer (MCT)

Neither John McCain nor Barack Obama offers sound solutions to mammoth deficits in the federal budget and in Social Security. But their tax policies would differ dramatically.

Obama plans to increase taxes on the wealthiest citizens, and to cut taxes for everyone else. McCain would cut taxes for everyone, including corporations, regardless of income.

Under both plans, the federal government still would be awash in red ink for years to come. One impartial analysis calculates that McCain's policies would put the country \$5 trillion deeper in debt over the next decade, while Obama would add \$3.5 trillion to the national debt. Neither candidate is talking much about the tough fiscal choices this country needs to make.

When the government borrows more money, it tends to drive up interest rates. That increases the cost of big-ticket items ranging from mortgages to car loans. And when the cost of borrowing goes up for businesses, they often end up cutting jobs.

One of the most persistent deceptions in the presidential campaign is McCain's claim in TV ads that Obama proposes "painful tax increases on working American families." Obama would raise income taxes on households earning more than \$250,000 per year. The vast majority of households — 81 percent would receive a tax cut.

The nonpartisan Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center has calculated that households earning between \$37,595 and \$66,354 a year would save \$1,118 on their taxes annually under Obama's plan. McCain's proposal would save those same families, on average, \$325. Obama would provide tax credits to families earning up to \$150,000, and eliminate income taxes for seniors who earn less

than \$50,000.

McCain, who once opposed President Bush's tax cuts as tilted unfairly toward the rich, now wants to extend them for another decade and simplify tax rules. He also pledges to balance the budget by 2013, which would entail monstrous budget cuts that he hasn't detailed. McCain and running mate Sarah Palin vow to cut earmarks, but even eliminating every last pork-barrel spending project in the budget would amount to only a small fraction of the revenue lost from tax cuts.

Obama's tax plans are more realistic about raising revenue from sources that can afford the cost. He wouldn't change the corporate tax rate and would raise the capital gains tax rate from 15 percent to at least 20 percent. McCain, in addition to devoting the biggest chunk of his tax cuts to the wealthiest taxpayers, would cut the corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 25 percent. He would leave the capital gains rate unchanged.

But Obama seemed to backtrack last week when asked whether he would raise any taxes if there was a recession upon taking office.

"I think we've got to take a look and see where the economy is," he said on ABC's This Week. "I mean, the economy is weak right now."

The candidates differ greatly on their ideas for shoring up Social Security.

Today, there are 37 million people age 65 or older. By 2025, there will be about 62 million people in that age group, and relatively fewer workers to pay the Social Security taxes that support those retirees.

By 2030, the gap between promised benefits and dedicated revenue will have risen to \$250 billion, growing worse after that. Unless the government takes action, Social Security will devour an ever-increasing share of the federal budget.

In 2005, this Editorial Board laid out a five-point plan for fixing Social Security, including raising the income cap on payroll taxes from the current \$102,000 and trimming planned increases in benefits. There's political risk in any move, but the longer Washington waits to address the problem, the more drastic the eventual solution will be.

McCain, who says all options should be on the table, supports Bush's proposal to create private accounts for younger people. But he hasn't clarified whether these accounts would supplement Social Security or — as with Bush's plan — allow workers to divert some of their payroll taxes from the current system. The latter option would blow open a bigger deficit that the government would need to cover to pay current retirees.

At times, McCain has sounded as if he doesn't fully understand how Social Security works. He has decried as an "absolute disgrace" that young workers are paying for current retirees. But that's how Social Security has always worked.

Obama, who opposes private accounts, would raise payroll taxes on the 3 percent of workers who earn more than \$250,000 a year. The tax increase would not apply to incomes between \$102,000 and \$250,000. His plan leans on workers who are better able to afford it, and it would help to extend the life of the system without raising the retirement age or cutting benefits. But this proposal alone still wouldn't cover the whole projected shortfall in the retirement program.

Social Security is on track to go broke by 2041. The retirement security of tens of millions of Americans could depend on which candidate is better able to persuade the nation to enact some difficult choices. In the time left before the election, Americans must hope they hear more about this issue than pigs and lipstick.

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Employment Prospecting

America is in economic shambles. The dollar continues to grow weaker, gasoline keeps getting pricier, and jobs are being shipped out of the country faster than you can say "picket line." But for every crisis, there is an opportunity. Here are a few of my suggestions for a secure career track, regardless of your major area of study.

Security Guard

Debates over private property have been around longer than humans, but we tend to be better at it than most other species. And by "better" I mean "more violent." That's where you come in. Having a college degree already makes you more qualified than 83 percent of current security staff. Be sure to work near a coastal area, so you'll be able to rack up overtime pay during those riots that always seem to follow a flood/hurricane/Miley Cyrus book signing.

Convenience Store Clerk

These extended checkouts for gas stations are hitting hard times like countless others right now. Customers have less extra money to spend on beef jerky, alcohol, and other necessities of the open road. Masked hooligans will wave a gun in your face every other day demanding you help them pay child support. And as everyone who's seen "Clerks" knows, it's not exactly fulfilling work. So why would you enter this hostile environment? It's the most reliable source of lottery tickets in the world, a product that always happens to outsell toilet paper and corn dogs. Add in a hefty supply of laid-off workers, and you'll have enough cash left over to buy a couple bulletproof windows for the register.

Strip Club Owner

The great thing about strip clubs is their consistency. The girls are always just out of reach, the drinks are always more expensive than a private show, and the disc jockey refuses to admit that hair metal is dead. Everyone who goes there is trying to escape something, whether it's a nagging wife or a student loan. The current state of the world means that a lot of men will need the comfort of a lap dance. Why would you want to let this investment opportunity pass you by?

Cult Leader

Speaking of mindless escapism, it's never been a better time to start a religious movement. Countless people need direction in their lives and you need to tap into the world's most respected multibillion dollar industry. It's a win-win situation here, folks. All you need to get started is a self-help book, a paperback sci-fi or fantasy novel and a desire to mix the two together as much as possible. Throw in a few spooky curses for disobeying the rules you thought up in the shower that morning, and you'll be raking in donations in no time.

JAMBAR Question

What area of study do you think is YSU's area of expertise and why?



Jacob Rose, freshman

"I never heard anything, so I don't know."



Miranda Appel, junior

"Physical therapy because that's the most talked about major that I've heard of."



Cory Vesey, freshman

"I'd say engineering, because that's what I've heard. I'm also an engineering major."

STUDENT PROFILE

Female YSU body builder preps for competition

Elizabeth Boon

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Ashley Grimm has devoured a medium pizza, half an ice cream cake and entire jar of extra crunchy peanut butter in one sitting.

As a body builder in training for an upcoming competition, Grimm, senior, has to follow a strict diet and exercise regimen. Piggling out after her competition is rightfully deserved.

Grimm, an exercise science major employed at the Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center said she eats five or six times a day and fills her meals with proteins, carbohydrates and fats.

"I basically eat the same thing every day for two months," she said.

Common foods in her diet include chicken, oatmeal, tilapia, protein shakes, egg whites, puffed rice and salad. Grimm also admits to a severe addiction to peanut butter, which she allows herself to eat in an all-natural form.

When her next competition, the Cardinal Classic at Struthers Middle School, is over on Oct. 18, Grimm plans on giving in to her cravings.

"I want a Bob Evans pancake breakfast," she said. "The next day I plan on getting a couple people together and going to Red Lobster and doing some damage."

Food intake is not the only part of Grimm's life that has to be kept under control while training. She is devoted to waking up every morning at 5:30 to work out.

"There are mornings that I contemplate rolling over and hitting the snooze button," Grimm said.

Although the temptation of getting a few hours' extra sleep is in the back of her mind, Grimm said she can't start her day without working out.

To most, her version of "working out" probably sounds like a nightmare. She hits the gym six days a week and rotates between working on her legs, calves, chest, biceps, triceps, back and thighs. She also works on her abs and does a cardio workout every time she enters the gym doors.

All the hours that Grimm logs at the gym are obvious when you look at her. It's almost ironic to see her in her feminine pink T-shirt because her biceps look like they might bust out of it. There doesn't seem to be an ounce of fat on her body.

Her toned frame earned her a fourth place position in her first competition. Just like the first time she competed, the Cardinal Classic will be a long day for Grimm.

Grimm will wake up at 6:30 a.m. to begin preparing herself for the day. After completing her hair and makeup, she will get painted with four or five coats of self-tanner.

"The tanner you are the more your muscles show," she said.

Grimm said her faux tan feels similar to a greasy lube.

"I never wanted to take a shower so bad in my life," she said about wearing the bronzer.

Once the tan is applied, Grimm changes into her suit and five-inch heels. She then goes over her poses before going on

stage.

Grimm competes by performing different types of poses. She positions herself in a front, back, and two different side poses. She also must complete a group comparison with her competitors and a "pose-down."

At her side watching her every pose will be family and friends.

Although skeptical at first, her parents are now supportive of her time consuming past time.

"My parents were iffy about it at first," she said. "They didn't really get it."

While her parents may have been initially hesitant, Grimm said a good friend and co-workers from the

Recreation Center were sources of motivation.

"They taught me the basics and have helped me out the most," she said.

After all the training, dieting and competing, one might think Grimm would get burned out by body building, but it doesn't appear that she will be giving it up any time soon.

"I really do like this," she said. "It's not easy, but it's really rewarding."



"I basically eat the same thing every day for two months."

Ashley Grimm, senior

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LIFESTYLE

CRIME

Students disagree with same-sex statistics

Adam Bickel

REPORTER

Katy Perry, singer of the popular song I Kissed a Girl, sings about it. Pete Wentz, Fall Out Boy bassist, admitted to Out Magazine that he tried it. Lindsay Lohan is rumored to be living it. Oh, and who can forget seeing Madonna and Britney doing it.

It seems that the entertainment industry can't get enough of same-sex experimentation, whether it be on or off screen.

Some statistics show that in this case, art imitates life.

According to the Journal of Sex Research, the amount of people who experiment with gay sex increased 15 times from 1988 to 1998 and is expected to have increased considerably since.

In 2005 the Centers for Disease Control released a survey showing that 11.5 percent of heterosexual women, ages 18 to 44, have experimented in gay sex, and 6 percent of

heterosexual men in their late teens and early twenties admitted to having at least one same-sex encounter.

Some YSU students weighed in on what they think about same sex experimenting.

"I think that number is higher," sophomore Jordan Allen said. "I know a lot of girls, including myself, who have made out with other girls ... sometimes just for attention from guys."

While Allen admitted that her experimentation didn't go further than making out, she added that "more people are doing it and not admitting it, especially the guys."

YSU student Carissa Gilmore agreed.

"If two girls kiss, guys find it hot and girls find it funny. If two guys kiss it hurts their masculinity. There is a gender bias," she said.

Senior Joshua Mosher also said he notices a gender bias.

"I have never kissed a guy or anything, but when I am out at a bar and I put my arm around my buddy next to me to tell him something, I

have noticed some strange looks from people," Mosher said.

Mosher said his male friends have known each other since high school and are very close. When they drink they hug and touch each other more than they would when sober.

"It's in a non-sexual way," Mosher explained, "but I think most dudes are more friendly and touchy with each other when they get drunk and then get treated like they are gay when it happens. That doesn't happen when girls hold hands on the way to the bathroom."

Junior Ryan Toth added, "I know a lot of girls who have kissed or experimented with other chicks. If I ever did that with a guy no one would treat me the same."

Both men thought that more college students experiment with same-sex activities than the few that confess to it. When asked if they would think differently of a male friend if he openly owned up to experimenting with another guy, both agreed, joking that as long as the other guy wasn't them, they didn't care.

When Karen Kunkle, a professor of human sexuality at YSU, was asked if she thought these acts were just this generation's young people being more sexually ambiguous she said, "I don't think that is the right term."

"Many younger people have been raised into different gender roles and scripts and because of these less restrictive roles, I think younger people are more comfortable about being open about their choices and the modes of expressing those choices," Kunkle said.

In many cultures, experimentation is the norm until it is time to procreate, Kunkle said. Alan Guttmacher Institute and Kinsey Institute have done a lot of research on this subject because it happens so frequently.

"As a nurse and health educator, I think the most important factor is that whatever you choose, you behave responsibly, and with adequate protection every time you engage in sexual behavior, of any sort," Kunkle said.

MOVIES

Storm watch: When weather plays a role in movies

Connie Ogle

MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

Any Atlantic or Gulf Coast resident with a TV or a computer these past few weeks has felt that sick dread, the sort that comes from too many hours in front of The Weather Channel. We're all thinking it. Let's just say it: Enough with the storm threats already.

But this is hurricane season, and this is where we live. Obsessing over the weather is an annual ritual. And so we stock up on water and batteries, fill up the gas tank, check that flashlights are working and hit the liquor store (well, some of us, anyway). We pore over the satellite images. And we get weary, really weary, of five-day cones.

But storms can be a lot more fun when they're confined to a DVD. After all, Dorothy would never have made it to Oz if not for that tornado. Here, in no particular order, are some ways to experience extreme weather without getting wet.

"Key Largo": In the 1948 classic starring Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall, a hurricane bears down on the small hotel overrun with gangsters led by Edward G. Robinson, interfering with their escape.

"The Perfect Storm": Gloucester fishermen aboard the Andrea Gail find themselves battling the mother of all hurricanes in the North Atlantic. Based on the nonfiction book by Sebastian

Junger, the movie stars George Clooney, who, predictably, looks fantastic even with a scruffy beard and an overload of flannel.

"Twister": Tornado chasers follow the funnel clouds across the plains, driving fast and yelling a lot. Such excitement rebonds estranged couple Bill Paxton and Helen Hunt. Also, a cow flies. No word on whether pigs do the same.

"Wizard of Oz": Kansas is a black-and-white world until that tornado touches down and sends Dorothy down the yellow brick road. Still, the twister isn't half as scary as those hellish flying monkeys.

"The Day After Tomorrow": You name the weather-related disaster, it shows up in this goofy but enjoyable Roland Emmerich flick: tornadoes, twisters, tidal waves, floods and, just for laughs, the beginning of a new Ice Age, which dumps a ton of snow on Manhattan.

"The Fog": A ghostly fog blows into a West Coast beach town, ushering in some vengeful zombies who start laying waste to the townspeople. Old-school horror fans will steer you to the 1980 John Carpenter/Adrienne Barbeau cheesefest over the pretty but bland 2005 Tom Welling/Selma Blair version.

"The Mist": A mysterious mist blows into a small Maine town, and with it comes a series of giant, bloodthirsty bugs. Give me Hurricane Wilma and no power for a week any day.

"The Ice Storm": Rick

Moody's solemn exploration of WASPs unmoored in the 1970s culminates in a winter storm that proves disastrous for an uptight Connecticut family.

"Hard Rain": A security guard (Christian Slater) and a robber (Morgan Freeman) clash over \$3 million during a deadly flood. It would take at least that much to get me to sit through this one again.

"Hurricane": The 1979 bomb with Mia Farrow — which is about as entertaining as plucking roof tiles from your neighbor's front lawn — was a remake of a better 1937 version with John Ford and Dorothy Lamour. In both, a scary storm interrupts life on an idyllic island.

"The Shining": The Overlook Hotel (proprietor: Jack Torrance) may be lovely in the summertime, but it's the last place on Earth you want to be during a winter storm, unless you hide all the axes.

"Invasion": In the short-lived ABC series, a nasty hurricane strikes South Florida — and brings an alien invasion in its wake. See? There are worse things than waiting in hourlong lines for gas or taking cold showers after a storm.

"An Inconvenient Truth": Al Gore's PowerPoint presentation on global warming won an Oscar and will either terrify you and or make you so mad you'll fill up the Hummer and drive aimlessly just to spite him.

Student has car stolen from campus lot three times

Melissa Mary Smith

REPORTER

For Youngstown State University student Amber Patrick, having your car stolen and vandalized an astonishing three times might leave you with mixed emotions about YSU's parking safety and where you should or should not park.

During the first incident in Feb. 2007, Patrick was walking to her car in the Wick-Pollock lot with a friend when she discovered her car was nowhere to be found. Her friend asked if she was sure she had parked there, further angering Patrick. The Cutlass Ciera was later recovered on the south side of Youngstown with its steering column stripped and outer door locks popped off.

The second incident, also at Wick-Pollock, occurred last May. While her car was not stolen, her steering column was again stripped and the rear driver's side window was busted out.

The third incident, this time in Buechner Hall's parking lot R-3, happened a mere two days before the start of the fall semester and her car incurred the same damage as before.

All three times, Amber had to call her father to inform him of the damage, which she dreaded doing as she knew he would be upset.

Patrick said she was upset campus police didn't do more to assist her in the investigations.

After the first incident, Patrick asked campus police to run fingerprints left on her car, to which they responded, "You watch too much Law and Order."

After the second time, Patrick was able to convince campus police to work with Youngstown Police Department in running fingerprints on her car. By the third time, the Youngstown Police Department failed to do a follow up on the fingerprint check.

Patrick even said campus police proposed that she just have her parents buy her a new car.

"We as students don't know where it's safe to park," said Patrick.

Despite campus police and Youngstown Police Department's unhelpfulness,

Patrick has tried reaching out to student government on having video cameras installed in all parking lots.

She plans on speaking to administration as well.

Sgt. Remias, YSU's crime prevention officer, explained that it is hard to predict car theft crimes. However, when such crimes occur, the department usually steps up patrol in the area the crime occurred.

Patrick said in order to prevent crimes, such as car theft, from happening on campus, it is better to park in lots and decks with card access as well as parking areas that utilize cameras.

Remias said that he is 100 percent for cameras in parking areas and believes they are a good deterrent. They also serve as a means of identifying the vandal when investigating the whereabouts of a stolen car or personal items. Remias also said that while he does support the installation of cameras, they are a costly investment. Video camera installation is in the hands of parking services.

Patrick said she believes the car theft incidents were entirely random and has no idea who is responsible. Since these unfortunate situations, Patrick said she no longer parks in the areas that the crimes occurred and overall tries to be more cautious around campus. She is even encouraging some of her friends and classmates to take self-defense classes.

Remias said car thefts usually happen to cars that are easy to steal like Cutlass Cieras. In addition to their easy factor, cars can also be stolen because the vandal is looking for a ride and often take the car's desirable catalytic converter.

Although thefts in general are the most common crimes on campus, Remias said that repeat crimes against the same person, as in Patrick's case, are rare. Remias urged students to lock their car doors and not leave valuables in them to prevent any problems.

Patrick said her primary concern is the safety of the girls in her dorm and the campus police's apathy for cases such as these.

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FOOTBALL



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JUMPING FOR SIX — Senior running back Jabari Scott hurdles a defender on his way to a 17-yard touchdown run. Scott led the Penguins with 111 yards and two scores Saturday.

Running attack gets rolling as Scott runs wild

Andrew Berry
SPORTS EDITOR

The Penguin offense had little to no reason to celebrate early in the 2008 campaign, but senior running back Jabari Scott is giving his team a reason for optimism.

Scott took charge in the Penguins home opener against Central State University by kicking it into overdrive to give the Penguins the rushing attack they have been desperately seeking early in the season.

After starting the season 0-2 and having no fluidity on offense, Scott was glad to be back in Youngstown for a game in front of the home fans, whom were treating to a 38-0 blowout of the Central State Marauders.

"It feels good knowing the Youngstown fans have our back," Scott said. "I think it was a great

win and we established confidence in our team going into next week."

Obtaining the confidence the team had lacked in its first two games was top priority for Scott and the Penguins. The offense had looked all but dreadful in big losses against the Ohio State University and South Dakota State University, having only scored seven total points in those contests.

But Scott's senior presence was felt on the field Saturday as the senior back rushed for 111 yards on 14 carries with two touchdowns. Scott averaged 7.9 yards per carry to get the offense moving.

"I felt good," Scott said. "I felt I could have had more explosion on some of the runs at first but I got into a groove as the game went on."

Looking to put the first two weeks of offensive misery behind them, the Penguins took over on their first possession after a Central

Penguins	38
Marauders	0

State punt and ran it straight down the throat of the Marauder defense. Scott put the Penguins up 7-0 with a 17-yard touchdown run that saw the senior hurdle a defender and land in the end zone. The seven-play scoring drive saw Scott carry the rock all seven times leading the Penguins all the way.

While Scott said it was a great way to get things rolling, the humble running back gave credit to the energy of his offensive line. Scott was able to feed off the confidence of his blockers as they opened up big lanes throughout the contest.

"It boosted our line and they did a great job blocking," Scott said. "They told me that there was going

"We knew we could run the ball so we just went out there and kept dominating."

— Jabari Scott, senior running back

to be holes all day. They felt real good about it and them feeling good made me feel good because I knew it was going to be there."

Scott was the only back to have success in the win over Central State. Scott's backup, redshirt freshman Kamryn Keys, did a solid job in relief. Keys took over in the fourth quarter after the game was well in hand and finished the day with 89 yards on 15 carries.

Redshirt freshman Josh Lee and junior Dana Brown combined for 12 carries and 51 yards.

The Penguin backfield had a monster day chalking up a strong total of 265 rushing yards against the Marauder defense. As a unit, the Penguin rushers averaged 5.1 yards per carry.

"We knew we could run the ball so we just went out there and kept dominating," Scott said.

FCS Top 25

Teams YSU will face in blue

1. Appalachian State
2. Richmond
3. North Dakota State
4. Montana
5. James Madison
6. Delaware
7. McNeese State
8. Northern Iowa
9. Massachusetts
10. New Hampshire
11. Wofford
12. South Dakota State
13. Cal Poly
14. Eastern Washington
15. Southern Illinois
16. Georgia Southern
17. Elon
18. Central Arkansas
19. Villinova
20. Western Illinois
21. The Citadel
22. Eastern Illinois
23. Liberty
24. Furman
25. Tennessee State

Others receiving votes: Harvard 185, Youngstown State 170, Northern Arizona 146, Delaware State 96, Yale 87, Holy Cross 86, South Carolina State 56, Jacksonville State 49, Sam Houston State 44, Prairie View 29, Norfolk State 27, Northwestern State 26, UC Davis 23, Sacramento State 22, Hampton 21, Weber State 20, Eastern Kentucky 18, San Diego 16, Dayton 15, Albany 12, Lafayette 11, Brown 10, Montana State 9, North Dakota 5, Sacred Heart 4, Florida A&M 3, Southeastern Louisiana 2, Maine 1, Nicholls State 1, William & Mary 1.

Information from the Sports Network.

SOCCER

Penguins suffer heartbreaking loss to Zips

Keith Langford
SPORTS REPORTER

The Youngstown State University women's soccer team came up short of claiming their first victory of the season against the University of Akron.

The 3-2 loss against Akron drops YSU's record to 0-6 on the season. The Penguins have lost all but one game by one goal this season.

In the first half of Sunday's game, Akron got off to a quick one-goal lead when Jessica Fix scored in the ninth minute of the game. She scored on a free kick as a result of a YSU foul. YSU responded when senior Carrie Wack scored on a 20-yard shot from the right side of the playing field 18 minutes later.

In the second half, YSU and Akron exchanged goals within a minute of each other at the sixty-six minute mark. YSU freshman Geneva Strelka found the back of the net only to have Akron march back down the field and even the match at 2-2 with a goal by Britni Back.

YSU and Akron looked poised to continue with the match into an overtime period, but a winning goal by Akron's Jordan Baranowski with only 30 seconds left in the game ended the hope for the season's first

Zips	3
Penguins	2

Stat Leaders - Zips

Jordan Baranowski
Goal, Assist, 3 shots on goal

Britni Back
Goal, Assist, 3 shots on goal

Jessica Fix
Goal, Assist, Shot on goal

Stat Leaders - Penguins

Carrie Wack
Goal, 2 shots on goal

Geneva Strelka
Goal, 2 shots on goal

win.

Head coach Anthony James felt the last two games his team lost were two of the most painful losses in the program's history.

"It's difficult. As a program we went through our two most difficult losses," James said. "I think sometimes we have a lack of focus out there."

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— Anthony James, head soccer coach



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BRACE FOR IMPACT — Penguins' junior goalie Mariah Snyder collides with Akron's Britni Back after running up to make a save early in the second period. Both players emerged from the impact without injury.

FOOTBALL

Summers shines in first career start with Penguins

Andrew Berry
SPORTS EDITOR

There was no question the Youngstown State University football team needed a spark to ignite the offense heading into the home opener after two straight weeks of abysmal play.

With the quarterback position settled, junior Brandon Summers took charge in his first career start and engineered the Penguins to a 38-0 win over the Central State University Marauders.

Despite being faced with the tall task of leading the team to a win in front of 14,143 fans at Stambaugh Stadium, Summers appeared as if he had been the starter since his freshman year after shaking away first quarter jitters.

"At first I was pretty stiff but as the game went on I loosened up a bit," Summers said. "I felt I could have made some better throws, but overall I am satisfied."

Thanks to a highly successful rushing attack by the Penguins, Summers was able to guide the offense to execute. The junior quarterback finished the day 6-for-8 for 101 yards and two touchdowns without playing in the final quarter.

Summers showed his ability in the second quarter on a play where he bought time with his feet and threw a 64-yard touchdown strike to Ferlando Williams.

Summers also accounted for 12 yards rushing on four carries and showed his ability to scramble throughout the game. Having mobility to make something out of nothing on broken plays makes Summers a solid option for the spread offense.

"I feel I'm fit for this offense," Summers said. "The more reps I get the more comfortable I get."

Head coach Jon Heacock knows he has a perennial weapon at quarterback in Summers. The Penguin coach thought his field general performed well in his first career start and is not straining himself by taking on the entire load of leadership.

"I thought he handled the situation well," Heacock said. "He didn't put it all on his shoulders by any means."

After three games, Summers has compiled 185 yards through the air completing 18 of 29 passes for two scores and two interceptions. The scrambler also has 58 yards on the ground and is averaging 9.7 yards every time he makes a play with his legs.

Able to guide the offense down the field in a variety of ways, Summers will be a big staple of the Penguins offense for the rest of the season.

"I can throw on the run, sit back in the pocket and throw and if things break down I can use my feet," Summers said.