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## Seniors show art at McDonough

■ Winter Exhibit displayed through Jan. 24. There are 11 students participating.

BETTY CLARK  
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The 1998 Graduating Seniors Winter Exhibition gives YSU students an opportunity to see what's happening on the other side of Wick Avenue. The exhibition runs through Jan. 2 to 4 at the McDonough Museum.

Displaying their work in a senior show is a requirement for all art graduates. This year's 11 graduating seniors' work represents many artistic disciplines including photography, graphics, water color and oil painting and computer graphics.

January fine arts graduate Liz Fisher said she is excited about showing her work. "It's such a rewarding experience to be able to display what you've learned," said Fisher.

Susan Russo, chair, art department, said this show is a capstone experience for the senior artists.

"As professionals, they'll need to know how to enter shows and how to display their work," said Russo. "They have to learn to take criticism along with praise."

Sandy Kreisman, McDonough

Museum director, said art students start thinking about their senior shows as freshmen.

"They are really able to see the changes in their work and how professional their projects have become," said Kreisman.

Kreisman said McDonough Museum does two senior shows each year, usually showcasing the work of 20 or more students.

"We have a lot of incredibly talented students," said Kreisman. "But there are only 11 graduating seniors in the arts program this winter, so we have that much more room for display."

Kreisman said the seniors are also required to include an artist's statement with their exhibits to help the public interpret their work.

Becky Pekar, sophomore, business management, said a friend suggested she stop at McDonough Museum to see the senior show.

"I was just in awe," said Pekar. "The work on display was wonderful. Reading the artists' statements really helped me understand what they were trying to say with their

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EYE CATCHING: Arissa Psinka, senior, art, created this stunning portrait, now on display at the McDonough.

## Phonathon gains friends; raises funds

■ Program started five years ago.

JOE LANDSBERGER  
NEWS EDITOR

"Friend-raising and fund-raising" is the two-fold purpose of YSU's annual fund program, and they'll be doing both over the next seven weeks as YSU begins its annual Phonathon.

"The phonathon is the most personalized project we do for the annual fund," said Cheryl Staib, director of the annual fund. "It's a way to strengthen communication with alumni as well raise funds."

The Phonathon, now in its fifth year at YSU, is designed to help raise money for scholarships. Student groups and volunteers meet on the first floor of Tod hall and, after a brief training session, are given a list of alumni to call.

The students solicit donations, most of which goes to the general scholarship fund.

Staib said 74 percent of YSU's students are in need of financial aid. About 90 percent of the money raised by the Phonathon is distributed by the financial aid and scholarship department to help those students.

"It's important that people understand that their donation's are tax-deductible and how important they are to the university," said Staib.

Staib said the Phonathon also helps YSU keep in touch with its alumni.

If alumni have questions or need information about YSU and its programs, the phonathon provides an opportunity for them to get it.

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### Phonathon Schedule

Here's the first two weeks phonathon schedule. Subsequent weeks' information will be posted later.

- Jan. 19 — ROTC
- Jan. 20 — University Scholars
- Jan. 21 — University Scholars
- Jan. 22 — University Scholars
- Jan. 26 — Open
- Jan. 27 — Open
- Jan. 28 — Open
- Jan. 29 — Open

Source: Cheryl Staib

## Year 2000 Bug to bite computers to bits

■ Systems could crash, causing chaos in the millennium.

LOU YUHASZ  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

In the science fiction film 2001, a computer glitch causes HAL 9000 to kill the crew of an interplanetary space mission after the turn of the century.

In a case of life imitating art, computer systems might crash and cause chaos around the world Jan. 1, 2000 as the well publicized Year 2000 bug kicks in.

Donna Esterly, director of the office of computing and information systems, said although YSU is well-positioned to avoid the chaos, "The potential for damage, not just for the institution, but for all users, is there."

To save on limited computer resources, memory was allotted for only the last two digits of the year, with the "19" assumed.

New software was added to existing systems as technology improved, but the way computers calculated dates was never changed, said Esterly.

"A lot of the software that people are using is not 2000 compliant," she said.

When the date changes to the year 2000, many systems will assume it is the year 1900, throwing calculations off.

For example, a student born in



MAINFRAME: Will the 2000 Bug hit YSU's mainframe? YSU prepares backups daily to protect against loss of data due to system failure.

CHAD HOLDEN, THE JAMBAR

1980 attending YSU in 2000 would be 20 years old (2000-1980). However, a computer with the Year 2000 bug would calculate the age as 00-80, or negative 80.

YSU has already begun the task of debugging their systems and getting ready for the year 2000, said Esterly.

She said YSU has a new main-

frame computer that is about two years old that has full four digit year compatibility.

"We have 700,000 lines of code that were developed internally that have to be checked for compliance," she said. "We have a lot of

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### MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.'S BIRTHDAY

A short schedule of events celebrating Martin Luther King Day.

**Friday:**

Pan-African Student Union sponsors a showing of a Martin Luther King Jr. film followed by discussion. Continental breakfast will be served. 9 a.m. to noon in Kilcawley's Ohio room.

**Sunday:**

Tabernacle Baptist Church, 707 Arlington Street (corner of Arlington and Covington). A short memorial procession will begin at 3 p.m. beginning and ending at the church. It will be followed by the Annual Interfaith Worship Service at 3:30 p.m. involving local musicians, choirs, community leaders, students and clergy.

**Monday:**

First Presbyterian Church, 201 Wick Ave. (corner of Wick and Wood) 9 a.m. to noon. "Bringing Life to the Valley of the Dry Bones: empowering participation in our community."

Note: Don't forget YSU will be closed Monday in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

## YSU, city to share recycling drop-off location

**TELA DURBIN**  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

YSU and the city of Youngstown will share the city's first recycling drop-off location in Mahoning County starting Saturday. Various other cities in the Mahoning Valley area currently have drop-off boxes, but this will be Youngstown's first.

The drop-off box will have an opening celebration this Saturday at 8 a.m. in the D-3 parking lot at the corner of Bryson Street and Madison Avenue. YSU's faculty, staff and students are invited.

"It's reassuring to see the university is finally taking steps toward progress," said Jennifer Cole, project coordinator. "There

are so many programs out there that deserve recognition — I am glad that recycling is becoming one of them."

Janitorial Services has been working on increasing its budget in the recycling area and have submitted a proposal to YSU to do so. If the new budget passes, Janitorial Services will have various programs to increase recycling on the YSU campus. One of the programs being considered is the tailgate recycling piloted by YSU Center for Engineering Research earlier last fall at some of the home football games.

"The community is enthusiastic about recycling and that has been obvious from the start," said Coles. "We got such a positive response with the tailgate recycling

that a drop-off locations just seemed like the next logical step."

The recycling drop-off will be open Wednesdays from 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m. to noon. People are encouraged to drop-off recyclables at these times only. Items accepted are newspaper, rinsed glass bottles and beverage cans and flattened cardboard and paperboard. The items should be clean and separated in brown paper bags.

The recycling drop-off location is funded by YSU's Janitorial Services, Waste Management and the Mahoning County Solid Waste Management District.

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Staib said students sometimes come in to the phonathon with apprehension about asking people for money, but very few of the alumni are angered by the students' calls.

She said the phonathon is different from a credit card company or other salesperson calling.

"Students and alumni have a relationship," Staib said. "There's a tie there. There's a connection — that's the difference. They went here — this is their school too."

Last year, the Phonathon raised \$45,000 in pledges. Staib said the goal for this year is \$50,000, but she hopes to get more than \$100,000 in donations.

Staib said students who need it can get community service from the project. She said several local stores have donated pizza, cookies and prizes for the students who attend.

"It's a win-win situation because the student groups get community service, pizza, prizes," Staib said. "We try to make it fun."

The phonathon will start Monday and run for the next seven weeks. It begins at 6 p.m. Monday thru Thursday and 20 spots are available for each session. Sign-ups are held on a first come first served basis.

Any student who is interested in attending the phonathon or would like more information can call 742-2329 or 742-3119.

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art."

Fisher said it is exciting when students from other disciplines take an interest in art.

She said, "It doesn't matter what field you're in, there's always room for art in your life."

If you want to make room for art in your life, the show is free and open to the public. Museum hours are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Wednesday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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deadlines to meet in terms of computer services."

Computer services is also installing new budgeting software so that it can be testing and running before the year 2000.

"We can't wait until Jan. 1," Esterly said. "Think about registration — students will be registering before 2000 for that year."

"We haven't encountered to date any major problems or setbacks," she said, adding YSU is in a better condition than most institutions to deal with this problem.

"The Electronic Campus program has brought in a lot of new equipment over the past few years," she said, most of it compliant with the new dating system.

Besides the new mainframe, the center has a new robotic tape drive, a new controller and a new power supply that makes it more reliable and less susceptible to power glitches.

## CAMPUS CALENDAR

Friday	LGBT student organization meeting at 12:30 in Kilcawley Center, room 2036.
Jan. 19	Pan-African Student Union presents a program on Martin Luther King Jr. from 9 a.m. to noon in Kilcawley Center's Ohio Room. A continental breakfast will be served.
Jan. 20	YSU is closed for Martin Luther King Day.
Jan. 21	Pan-African Student Union meeting, every Wednesday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in Kilcawley Center, room 2068.
Jan. 22	Environmental Awareness Council Meeting Thursday from 12 to 1 p.m. in Kilcawley Bresnahan III.

In observance of  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day there  
will be no Tuesday *Jambar*.

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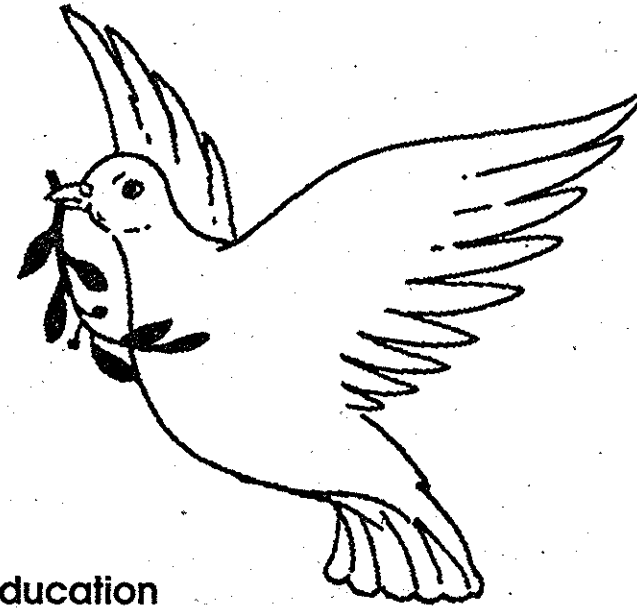
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# campus Opinions

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## Editorial

### A bad dream: King's name brings division, not unity

Martin Luther King Jr. had a dream, yet his name has created a nightmare in Riverside, Calif. and in other places across the nation. Apparently some members of society feel his name sparks the very racial tension he fought to dissolve. This sheds light on an odd paradox that the name of a man who promoted peace and togetherness could be so instrumental in pulling a community apart.

In Riverside, Calif., school board members of a new high school voted unanimously Jan. 8 to name their school King High School — although some community members vented grave opposition. The main argument from opponents declared using the name of the deceased civil rights leader would hinder their children's chances to get into a good college.

The new school, which will open in Sept. 1999, would be two-thirds white students. According to an *Associated Press* article, parent Chris Blasnek proclaimed, "It's a very difficult situation, because we're all going to come across as a bunch of racists, which is really not true."

What is true, however, is that society has bought into racism and stereotypes so much they don't even notice them anymore. No matter how good our intentions are, we have to acknowledge there are thoughts, beliefs and assumptions based in bias that hinder our ability to understand one another. Honestly, if a school named after King would make people think it was an all-black school then it would be fair to assume a school named after John F. Kennedy would make people think it was a Catholic school.

Eboni Bogan, Pan-African Student Union president said, "It's amazing that something like this can happen and nobody seems to believe there is a place for affirmative action. I feel sorry for the opposition not being able to see what an honor that name is — they should beg to have that name for their school. They should realize he was one of the greatest men with incredible strength of character."

A similar controversy occurred locally when a portion of Federal Street was renamed Martin Luther King Boulevard. Businesses threatened to move out saying they would not conduct business on a street with that name. Why does this continue across the nation?

King has been described as a very dynamic, peaceful, loving, nonviolent man. Bogan has even went so far as to say, "He was a revolutionary." With that in mind, Martin Luther King Jr. should symbolize more than just another day off work or a name of a street or a school. He was a Civil Rights Leader and the word leader should not be forgotten.

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 racism."** If you would like to recommend anyone to be on the panel, please call Tracie at 742-1991.

## Staff Commentary

### Teach your children well and build a better world

JEFF MILLER  
MANAGING EDITOR

The hardest concept for most people to endure is change. To change anything takes effort and time. And most of us usually don't have the time or desire to put in the effort to make lasting change in our lives — let alone a change for the world. To make a global change would seem from the onset an impossible task, yet I believe it could happen with enough effort. However, I don't think I would actually see the change during my lifetime because of the shape of the world today.

Why can't our world pull itself together? Why is crime always on the rise? How can we stop world hunger? Is there a way to put an end to terrorism? Can the human race ever become united no matter where we live. I like to believe that there is a way for all of this to happen.

The youngest children and their children's children are our only hope to turn this world around for the better. And to give them the tools to make this change, we need to completely change how we teach our kids. Today our school curriculum is a fact-based system. From day one, kids learn nothing but dates, facts and statistics.

What if we have our children study and gain an understanding of the core concepts and the theoretical structures around which their value system may be constructed. In other words, why not have our children study values? The never-ending facts schools push so hard on kids will always be there. Our facts don't change. Our dates don't change. Our statistics don't change. This is how we get the saying "history always repeats itself."

Take a look back in time and you will realize we don't want to repeat our past, yet this is all we teach our kids to do. Our technology has changed, but because we essentially teach the same thing over and over to each generation year after year with only more dates, more facts, more stats to memorize (at YSU that means we have to buy a new, more expensive book, and they won't accept the old edition back of course), how can our kids not repeat our past? This is what they have been taught to do, so this is all they can produce. Our way of teaching year after year is the sole reason our world is in the shape it is today. And it is going to get worse if we don't make a major change.

To make a simple example of this, our society has taught our kids to do their ABC's without a mistake by the time they finish preschool, yet have done nothing to teach the students that biting their brother or sister to get a toy from them or to try to solve a conflict is unacceptable behavior. So my question is, if a child can learn their ABC's, can't they also learn values?

A school's intention should be to encourage children from the earliest age all the way through college to explore their values and learn how to use them, apply them and even to question them.

What if there were subjects for our kids to take — such as fairness, celebrating self, valuing others, tolerance, understanding power, diversity and similarities, honesty and responsibility, peaceful conflict resolution and joyous sexual expression, to name a few. What could a child's mind do with true understanding of these subjects? How would they solve a conflict between each other, between each state and between each nation? Image the entire world teaching these subjects to its children. What would happen to the world?

If you have kids or plan to have them someday, what will you be teaching them? If you are like the mass majority of us, you will be passing down exactly what was taught to you.

Any values you were taught were probably taught to you in a college course you had to take as one of those goofy humanities requirements. Going into it, you feel it is going to be a blow-off class or an easy A. So why don't most of us take these kind of classes seriously? Mainly because you already have a value system you live by. It was taught to you by your parents as you grew up. And where did your parents learn their value system? History repeats itself.

To teach values in school is a big headache today. Most people believe values should be taught at home. So I ask you, should they be taught at home if we want to change our history?

There will always be our facts, dates and statistics to learn — they do not go away! We all have learned them to one degree or another — by knowing these facts we still have terrorism — Oklahoma City; hunger — Ethiopia; disease — AIDS; crime — Youngstown; murder — Youngstown; and rape — Youngstown. It is time for the world to make a better home for its children and their children, don't you think?

### Puzzling parking swipes wipe out student

TELA DURBIN  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

What is up with those swipey parking pass things? I have yet to slide the little card through the slot and get the gate open on my first try. I know I am not the only dyslexic parking card user at YSU, though. I have been caught behind other people trying with all their might to rise the almighty parking gate more than one time. Is this some evil game parking services play on us?

I try to slide the card forward, once, twice. Then I try to slide it backward. The gate still will not open. I stare at the gate and try to give it messages to "please rise, please rise." I look backward toward the person who sits in the little heated parking booth with desperation. They ignore me. The line behind me grows. I start to panic. "Please, gate, please, please open," I pray silently. I am already five minutes late for class. In

desperation, I pull my fall 1997 card from the depths of my car. I slide it through and it magically opens the gate. I speed through before the gate can close and proclaim victory.

What is wrong with these things? Can't we get a better system? I've gotten tickets in lots for parking on the yellow lines before, so it is obvious that people patrol the lots. Do we really need the gates?

Some people I have encountered really don't know how to use the slidey things. They try to insert the card into the swiper. I am not one of those people.

Maybe I move it too fast, maybe too slow — I have no clue what the problem is.

I am just want to tell you people out there if you get stuck behind me some day, I am sincerely trying my best to get through the gate, and until we get a better system you are just going to have to deal with me.

*I know I am not the only dyslexic parking card user at YSU.*

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## Cowpunkabilly comes to Cedars

NICOLE TANNER  
PENGUIN STAR EDITOR

**T**wisted roots rock, country punk and cowpunkabilly are all terms used to describe the unique sound of the Cleveland-based Cowslingers. And they will bring this sound to Cedars Saturday.

"We took all the stuff we like from different kinds of music and left all the stuff we didn't like," said lead vocalist Greg Miller. That paired with lyrics about life experiences and crazy situations, including being at the dog track while gambling and drinking beer, complete the band's zany style.

"We have a foothold in traditional American music," said Miller. "But we put the fun back in rock. Rock is just supposed to be three chords playing really loud and, it should be stupid."

Miller said this is one of the worst periods in pop music because most artists seem to be obsessed with nothingness and shock value. He said people "forgot how to write good songs" that are just simple and fun.

The Cowslingers' latest release, *West Virginia Dog Track Boogie*, is definitely the furthest thing from modern rock trends. The album contains some songs that have become hits with audiences, such as an interesting version of Aerosmith's "Sweet Emotion," as well some new



**DOING THINGS DIFFERENTLY:** The Cleveland-based band, the Cowslingers, will bring their unique style of music, referred to as cowpunkabilly, to Cedars Saturday.

original music.

"This is the best album we've ever done," said Miller. "We put a lot of time into it."

But Miller also said live performances form the best time for the band members.

"There's nothing better than jumping around like a jack-ass in a cowboy shirt," he said. He also promises the show at Cedars will be highly entertaining for YSU students, al-

though there won't be "any makeup or leather bondage gear."

"We might be annoying, but we'll be entertaining," Miller said.

The show at Cedars will begin at 10 p.m. and will also feature garage rock band The Mount McKinley's. Both bands will also play 10 p.m. Friday at the 31st Street Pub in Pittsburgh. Tickets are available at the door.



## On Stage



NICOLE TANNER  
PENGUIN STAR EDITOR

### YSU Theater *Moon Over Buffalo*



Laughter, laughter, laughter. That was the overwhelming response to YSU Theater's production of "Moon Over Buffalo," a comedy by Ken Ludwig. Many of the actors gave some of their best performances in this backstage farce directed by Dr. Dennis Henneman, theater.

The play centers around an acting couple, George and Charlotte Hay (Todd Krispinsky, senior, theater, and Rebecca McConnell, senior, theater), bitter about not being given the starring roles in a new epic directed by the prestigious Frank Capra. However, luck is on their side when the leading man breaks his legs and the leading woman



CHAD HOLDEN, THE JAMBAR

**BACKSTAGE:** Todd Krispinsky (left) helps John LaGuardia (right) with his makeup before the performance. "Moon Over Buffalo" runs 8 p.m. tonight through Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday in Spotlight Arena Theater.

walks out, sending Capra to watch the Hays in a production. But everything is not fine and dandy — other circumstances, such as mistaken identities and George's unfaith-

fulness, lead to a huge mess backstage before the performance.

"Moon Over Buffalo" was beautifully acted by every cast member. Krispinsky was awesome in his drunken state, where he actually falls down a flight of stairs with a coffee pot and cup and doesn't spill a drop. McConnell's Charlotte was perfect, enough to rival Carol Burnett's performance on Broadway.

Heather Fenstermaker, senior, theater/English, and Andrew Pavelek, senior, theater, almost stole the show as Charlotte's mostly deaf parents with their witty comments and highly believable statures. John LaGuardia, sophomore, theater, Michael DiPrizio, senior, theater, and Tracy Schuler, senior, theater, also gave outstanding performances.

The most impressive aspect of the production was the skill with which all the actors performed the physical scenes, including sword fighting and brawls.

"Moon Over Buffalo" was excellent and an outstanding way to cheer up the winter blahs. It's a must-see. The play runs 8 p.m. tonight through Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday in Spotlight Arena Theater in Bliss Hall. Tickets are \$6 for the public and free for YSU students. Reservations are necessary.



**On Video**

MIKE HURAYT  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

**The Game**



Before you watch this, either trim your fingernails low enough so you don't gnaw them down to nothing or wear a thick pair of gloves. But whatever you do, rent "The Game." It's one of the most thrilling movies to come out in a long time.

Michael Douglas is Nicholas Van Orton, a billionaire investment banker who has become cold and detached from society. He receives a mysterious birthday gift from younger brother Conrad (Sean Penn) that's only referred to as a "game," and once he starts to play, the world comes down on him. He becomes trapped in a puzzle of bullets, scandals and high speed chases, leading to the question: Where does the game end and reality begin? Would someone want his money badly enough to kill him?

Made by David Fincher, who also made the dark thriller "Seven," this movie was simply terrific. There are so many plot turns, I felt like I was on a roller coaster — except for the throwing up afterward part. The movie leaves you guessing to the point you'll start pulling your hair out, and Douglas makes investment bankers look as tough and gritty as SWAT teamers. It starts slow, but this is one of the few movies that pleased me all the way through. "The Game" is definitely a must-see.

**At the Movies**

MIKE HURAYT  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

**Wag the Dog**



Forget the dopey title. "Wag the Dog" has nothing to do with dogs, tails or any animals, save a scene with a kitten and a few mutts. The closest important thing to an animal we get is a bearded, scuzzy-looking Robert DeNiro with his most facial hair of the year. This was a good, political and media satire about how the public will believe anything it sees on TV, and how a politician is capable of escaping vicious slander as long as they have the right people working for them.

DeNiro is Conrad Breen, a political spin doctor — a person who "spins" events or misfortunes around so they either don't seem so bad or so important to the public. He is called into action when the president is accused of sexual misconduct with a young girl only days before the November election.

Drastic measures have to be

taken, so Breen calls Stanley Motss (Dustin Hoffman), a bespectacled Hollywood film producer to create a fake "war" with Albania. It's an altercation that will only exist on television, as far as the public knows. They successfully take the focus off the girl's claim with phony footage, patriotic songs and fake news coverage, effectively pulling the wool over the public eye. When a problem arises, like CIA interference or a rival candidate (Craig T. Nelson) calling their bluff, they make up more and more and carry the farce further.

This isn't a date movie or a feel-good movie, but it has its own charm. The critics have been raving about this piece, but that could be because it's a joke on Hollywood and news — one that can entertain them more than us. It has dry humor, stimulating twists and is very interesting. The acting is probably the strongest point to the movie, with Hoffman and Woody Harrelson giving hilarious performances.

I give "Wag the Dog" credit mostly because it had one of the most surprising endings of the year. For all the mimicking of Hollywood the characters did in the movie, it has the most un-Hollywood ending I've seen in awhile. Overall it was pretty good, but not too funny or too dramatic to rave about it.

MIKE HURAYT  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

**Firestorm**



It certainly doesn't take acting school to become an action star, and it surely doesn't take skill or luck. All it really takes is a crew cut and a physique made of big, rubbery muscles to pound the bad guys. Howie Long, former NFL lineman fits the bill. He's the latest in a long line to try his hand at movies in "Firestorm," a movie about forest fires, convicts and smash-mouth action. Sounds fun, right? Not really. This movie was watchable but didn't have the smash-mouth appeal I was hoping for.

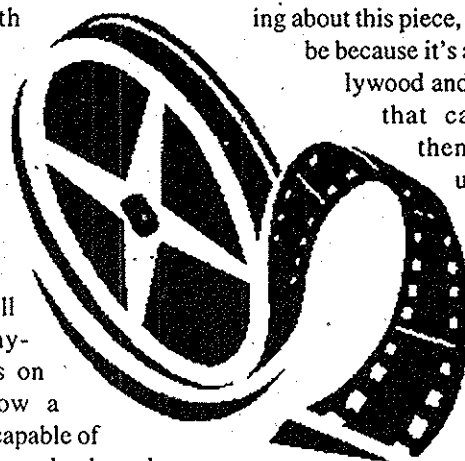
Long plays Jesse, a smokejumper. Smokejumpers are the elite firefighters who parachute into forest fires that are too wild to penetrate from the ground. After a kind of neat opening that shows the smokejumpers in action,

we get down to business, when some convicts escape by posing as Canadian firefighters.

It's up to Jesse to help quell the fire, save a birdwatcher and knock off the bad guys. It seems the toughest job Jesse has is cracking a good joke — killing most of the criminals is their own leader, who bumps them off so he'll have more money to himself.

From the surface, this movie looked like it should have been good. Long is likable enough, burning trees are a sure-fire way to spark interest, and the commercials made the action look like it was enough to jump off the screen and slap you around.

Some of the action scenes were good, but the good guys weren't developed enough and the bad guys looked like they were hardly capable of stealing a candy bar from under the nose of a blind security guard, much less getting out of a burning forest. The ending was abrupt and quick, with no build up whatsoever. Still, the movie had its strong points — awesome fires, decent action — but it should have been much better. I expected a bonfire but got just a smoldering twig instead.



	<b>Excellent</b>
	<b>Good</b>
	<b>Fair</b>
	<b>Poor</b>

The Flick Clique will show "The Myth of Fingerprints," starring Noah Wyle, Julianne Moore, Roy Schneider, Blythe Danner, James LeGross and Hope Davis, at 4 and 7 p.m. Sunday at the Austintown Cinema. Admission is \$5 for nonmembers and \$3 for members who show their cards at the box office.

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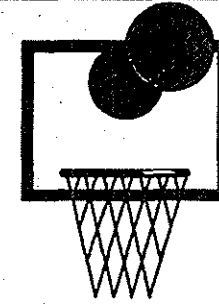
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Lady Penguin's senior center Ann Marie Martin has been honored as the Mid-Continent Conference Co-Player of the Week.

## Sports



# Four football players earn national honors

JAMIE LYNN REESH  
SPORTS EDITOR

Four players of the National Champion Penguin football team were awarded national accolades.

Senior defensive end Harry "The Bear" Deligianis and senior right tackle Matt Hogg were named to the Associated Press Division I-AA All-American first-team.

Deligianis a graduate of Ashtabula High School was a major obstacle for opposing offenses facing the best defense in the Gateway Conference.

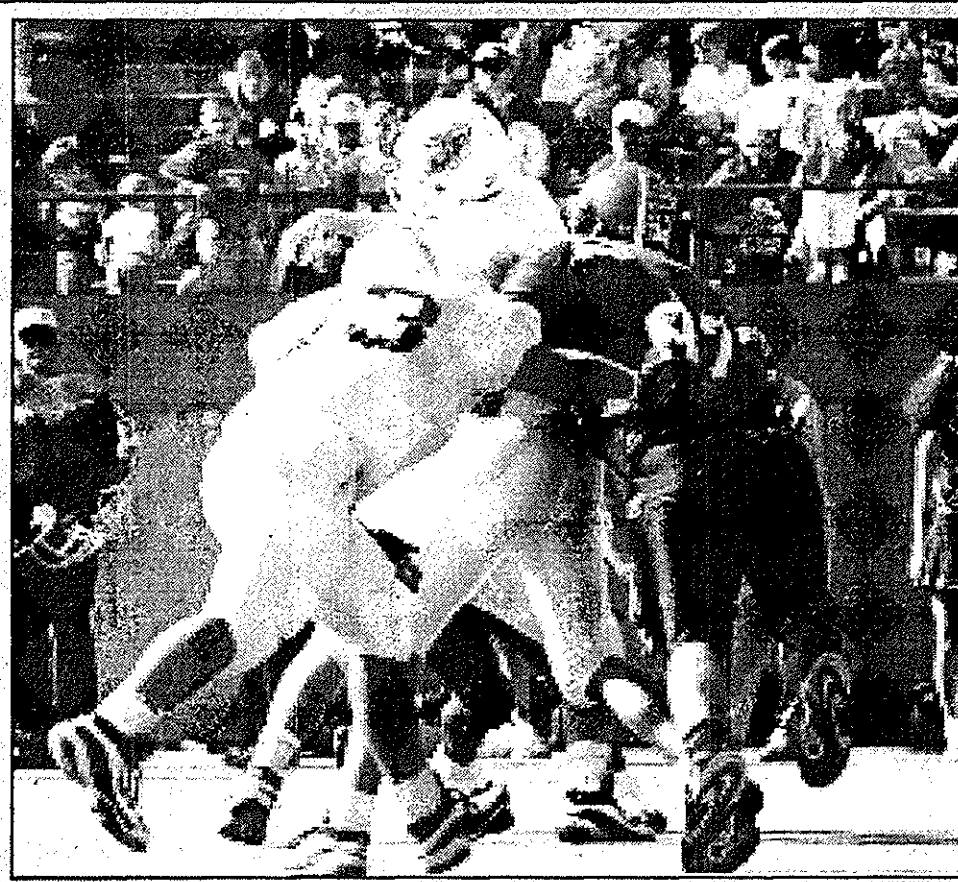
He led the Gateway and tied the school record with 15 sacks and had 51 quarterback pressures. The 6-foot-4-inch tackle had a total of 40 tackles this season, including 18 tackles for a loss of 111 yards.

The Bear played for the triumphant East team in the East-West Shrine game in Palo Alto, Calif. Deligianis, who started the contest, sacked the

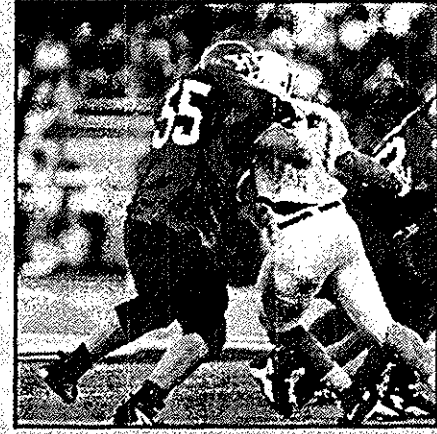
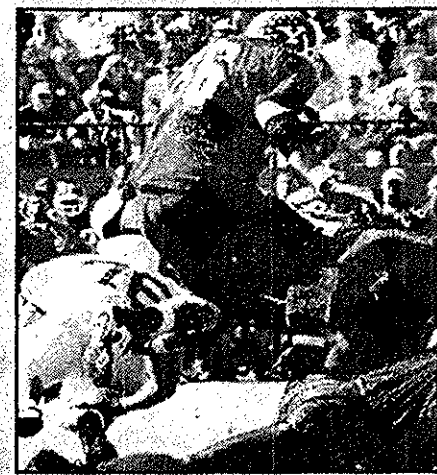


West's quarterback on the East's first defensive play of the game.

Hogg, who has played an important role on the Penguin offense the last three seasons, was also named to the First-team All-Gate-



**THE BEAR:** Harry "The Bear" Deligianis sacks Buffalo's quarterback. **Top right:** Matt Hogg in action. **Bottom right:** Todd Kollar handles a Slippery Rock Rocket.



way in December. The graduate of Slippery Rock High School was instrumental in the offenses average of 32.7 points and 371.4 yards per game.

AP All-American second-team honors were given to senior left

tackle Todd Kollar and sophomore Dwyte Smiley.

Kollar of North Lima and a graduate of South Range High School has started in 24 games since moving from the defensive side of the ball in 1995.

Smiley of Kent High School leads the Penguin defense in tackles with 92 and interceptions with three.

These honors give Coach Tressel his 20th All-American players in his tenure at YSU.

Deligianis and Hogg were also selected to the American Football Coaches Association Division I-AA America first-team.

Hogg and Kollar were selected to the Walter Camp Division I-AA All-America first-team.

## Spellman, McCombs snag Mid-Con player honors

JAMIE LYNN REESH  
SPORTS EDITOR

Penguins senior standout Willie Spellman was named Mid-Continent Conference male Athlete of the Month, while Lady Penguin's assist leader Caroline McCombs was tabbed Co-Female Athlete, both for the month of December.

Spellman, one of YSU's starting forwards, averaged 13.5 points and 5.7 rebounds a game for the month. The native of Staten Island, New York is tied for leading scorer on the team and contributed heavily to the Penguin's six-game winning streak last month.

Spellman posted a career-high

28 points in YSU's win over Niagara and tossed in 26 points against Fairleigh Dickenson. He recorded a double-double against Troy State with 11 points and 10 rebounds.

McCombs contributed heavily to the Lady Penguins success and 5-0 mark in December, averaging 16.2 points and 4.8 assists a game.

The senior guard from Medina was given Mid-Con Co-Player of the Week honors Dec. 8 and walked away with MVP honors at the University of Las Vegas Nevada Club Shootout Tournament, in which the Red and White took first place.

She averaged 23 points a game during the tournament and moved herself into sixth place on YSU's all-time leading scoring list.



Spellman



McCombs

## Softball coach to hold clinics

Jan. 24 and 25, Lady Penguins Head Softball Coach Julie Croft will hold one-day instructional clinics.

The all-inclusive clinic will provide players instruction in fielding, hitting, bunting, throwing and sliding.

Croft will conduct a pitching clinic the 25th, giving players an opportunity to learn the finer points of pitching.

The skills clinic will cost \$30 per player and \$15 per coach or parent. The cost of the pitching clinic will be \$20 per pitcher, and each pitcher is to provide their own catcher.

Registration will take place a half hour prior to each clinic in the front lobby of Beeghly Center. Both clinics are open to ages 6-18. Players should bring bats, gloves and batting gloves.

For more information or any questions call the YSU softball office at (330) 742-1924 or clinic director Jamie Hall at (330) 742-1581.

## YSU rides the bull for 15th victory

TELA DURBIN  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The Lady Penguins beat long-time rival Buffalo Lady Bulls in a hard-fought defensive game Monday evening. Prior to the game, both teams were unbeaten in Mid-Continent Conference play.

YSU outscored Buffalo 41-26 in the first half and kept control through the second half, winning the game with a final score of 83-57.

Leading scorer was senior center Ann Marie Martin with 16 points. Other players who scored in double figures were sophomore forward Missy Young with 11 and senior forward Shannon Beach with 10.

Coach Ed DiGregorio said, "The defense was just fantastic. We were right in their face the whole game."

Colleen Cook led the defensive attack with four steals.

"You gotta have the attitude from the beginning to take the game over, and that's what we tried to do," said Cook. "Defen-

sively our whole team picks it up, and I try to start it. If they can't get their offense started, and they can't score, and there is no way they're gonna win."

This is YSU's second longest winning streak in school history with 15 wins. The Red and White's next game will be on the road against Western Illinois Monday.

Cook appreciates the home town support the team receives from YSU fans. "We always have a good home crowd. It's like no other place. No other place on the road has the [home] support like we do."

Foul shots played another important role in winning the game for YSU. In the first half, YSU went 11 for 11 from the line and 23 for 28 in the second for an overall mark of 87 percent. In comparison, the Bulls went to the line a total of just 31 times connecting on 17 free throws for a mark of 54 percent.

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Who do you think will win the Super Bowl? Bring your predictions in to *The Jambar* and give them to Jamie.

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The Newman Center, Catholic campus ministry serving YSU, is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Other hours can be arranged by appointment. Drop in and see what campus ministry has to offer. We welcome all members of the YSU community. Call 747-9202 for more information.

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