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Capital campaign exceeds goal

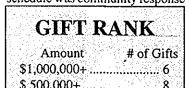
Five-year fundraiser ends after raising \$23.6 million in three years.

LOU YUHASZ ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Although scheduled for five year completion, YSU's capital campaign wraps up after only three contribution. years, riasing \$1.6 million more

than its goal of \$22 million. "A campaign like this serves to validate the worthiness of this institution," said Vernon Snyder, director of university development. "It's an indication of how proud the university."

Snyder said one reason the campaign was completed ahead of schedule was community response

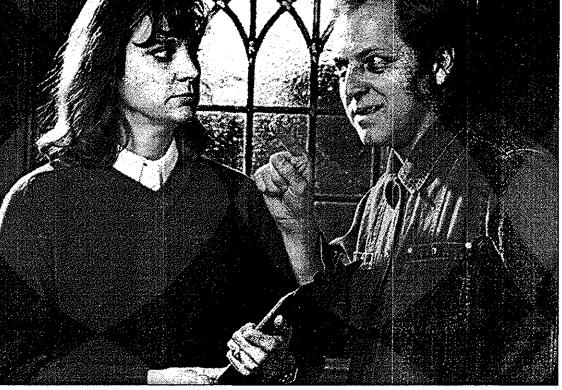


was better than expected. For example, the university was expecting 1 or 2 million-plus dollar contributions, but it ended up with 6, the highest being a \$4.5 million

"The contributions we asked for came in at the level we asked for," Snyder said. "We knew in September we would make the goal. Then, in mid-November, we knew it was going over."

During the capital people in the community are of this ' campaign, YSU President Leslie Cochran participated in more than 300 "asks" - face-to-face meetings with individual donors. Bricks for YSU's Walk of Pride were also sold, raising \$500,000. Faculty and staff donated \$208,000 and trustees donated

\$638,000. "We probably won't do another



COUPLE OF CUCKOOS: Rev. Kathryn Adams, director of Protestant campus ministry (left) and Rodd Coonce, from Girard, star in the Oakland Center for the Arts' "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." See page 4 for details.

Staffer uses Net to snag date

Student investigates peaks and pitfalls of love on the Internet

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> strict the way their donations ent. der said, the Stadium addi-The new College of Educand Veterans' Plaza were d by the capital campaign. projects include the Elec-Campus, Sweeney Welcome addition at Dana Hall and echer Center for Technology e Arts, now under construcext to Maag Library.

College of business offers free tax service Students will volunteer to help prepare taxes.

EILEEN CATANZARO CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It's that dreaded time of the year again. Just thinking about it causes a cold sweat, a pounding headache, heart palpitations and a quickening pulse. Time's running out. The pressure is on. No, it's not finals week. It's income tax season. However, free tax assistance is currently as close as Williamson College of Business Administration.

Tax assistance will be available every Saturday from Feb. 7 through April 11 at Williamson Hall.

As April 15 looms in the not so distant future, it is time to start gathering the W-2 forms from the

employer, interest statements from the banks (1099 forms), income tax returns from last year, Social Security numbers and anything else you think might help you get the refund you know you deserve from the Internal Revenue Service. . Even if you aren't sure you'll be getting a refund form the IRS,

you can get a break on the cost of having your income tax forms completed if you take advantage of the free tax assistance offered by the students at the WCBA. "Students who volunteer their

services are trained through he Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program sponsored by the IRS," said

Tax Continued on page 2 **REBECCA SLOAN** know I live a few hundred miles

> away). Wow, that was fast.

My handle is Rosebud, and I'm "So how many dates do you "a cute blonde with a creamy comhave?" snickers Jambar coplexion, curvaceous figure and worker, Nicole Tanner, junior, pouty mouth who's looking for a journalism. man to make this Valentine's Day I don't have any, but Rosebud has several.

In the name of investigative The 1990s have given the dating game a whole new dimension journalism, I'm online to determine how easy it is to make a love thanks to the amazing, entangling connection via the Internet. Being threads of the World Wide Web. Some people praise this modern a bit of a technological novice, this is my first chat room experience, means to passion and romance. but it doesn't take me long to diswhile others call it a curse, claimcover making romance online isn't ing it leads to lemons instead of love, if not downright danger.

As a school of fish take my bait We've all heard the stories of — a little flirting, a little friendlithose creeps and psychos who use ness and a lot of boldness — and cyberspace as a net to snag the in no time at all, I've got a handful ' naive or desperate who are lookof prospective suitors. In less than ing for love in all the wrong places. 30 minutes, a respiratory therapist And we've also heard the testimofrom Minneapolis - or so he nies of those gushing, goggle-eyed claims — propositions me for a couples who swear they found the Valentine's dinner date (he doesn't love of their life online. (I discov-

ered there's even a web site dedicated to celebrating these happilyever-after cyberspace unions.) As Valentine's Day draws near, and Cupid draws back his bow,

many question the safety and practicality of online love connections. Is this modern means to romance a blessing from Venus or the curse of a cranky, mischievous cherub?

"Use the Internet to find love?" scoffed Megan Villani, sophomore, photography. "No thanks, I don't wanna get killed."

"Only people looking for kiddie porn use the web [to make love connections]," added Dave Pusnik, senior, photography.

"I like to deal with the real world and real people," sophomore and professional writing and editing major Lynn Nickels said sagely.

Sherry Davis*, (an alias) YSU

Net Love

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National Freedom to Marry Day prompts discussion concerning same sex marriages

TRACIE KNIGHT EDITOR IN CHIEF

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truly decadent."

much of a challenge.

Should the government concern itself with love and marriage? With the same-sex marriage controversy thrown onto the doorstep of state governments in America, National Freedom to Marry Day seeks to gain attention and support for le-

galizing same-sex marriages. Lamdba Legal Defense and Education Fund, a national orga-

nization that supports civil rights of gays, lesbians and people with HIV/AIDS, chose today as National Freedom to Marry Day for two reasons: It is Lincoln's Birthday, who was a champion of equality for all Americans and because of its close proximity to Valentines Day

According to Lamdba, the day is designed to focus efforts, build non-gay allies, instigate an ongoing campaign of public education

and attract media attention to same-sex marriages. Dr. L. J. Tessier, philosophy and

religious studies, said there were two main points to remember on National Freedom to Marry Day. "First, it's a shame we have to

set aside a day to say two consenting adults who love one another

and have a relationship with one

Marriage

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Poetry Center sponsors reading

audience to share in his imagina-

tion and creativity as he led them

Patten read several poems from

"It is an honor for me to bring

"Bob's [Taylor] fiction is poetic

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through a portion of the lives of his Friday night was a night filled characters. with romance, love, music and pohis books "The Impossible etry.

The listener only had to close Reaches" and "Touch." He introduced his poems with glimpses of their eyes to be transported to another time and place, become voywhy he wrote some of the poetry, eurs into the lives of unsuspectwhat fascinated him about the subject or why he felt a need to write ing characters — the inobtrusive intruders of people they have as he did. never met before.

This was the mood set by prizethese fine authors to YSU," said winning fiction writer, Robert Dr. Steven Reese, director of the Poetry Center. "It is a special Taylor, Jr., and poet, Karl Patten, Friday evening in the Pugsley honor for me because they were Room in Kilcawley Center. Both both former teachers of mine," said men presented readings of their Reese. works as part of the Poetry

Center's presentations. with a musical sense of language. Taylor read part of his current Karl's [Patten] work is not off-putwork-in-progress, allowing the

Marriage

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another can confirm and establish a faithful, lasting marriage. It's a shame we have to have a day designed to say we have a right to have that. Second, this day demonstrates there is an enormous coalition of people who believe

marriage is not a special right but a fundamental human right." Adam Trzynka, president of

both one hour away. This is one the gay lifestyle as a more acceptof legal and economic benefits and must look at how that, in and of itreason why I started the organiza-744-5115, ext. 107. protections. Tessier said marriage self, contributes to the instability able occurrence," said Trzynka. provides social emotional signifi- and stereotypes." LGBT meets Tuesdays at noon Tax cance as well. Some argue if the rights and in Kilcawley's Carnation Room. "This country gives special benefits available to married Continued from page Also, The Jambar Writer's Club will sanctions through marriage yet couples become available to the gay sponsor a forum to discuss issues Dr. Raymond Shaffer, profesrectly. " denies that privilege [to gays]. To community as well, it will have a such as same-sex marriage titled sor of accounting and VITA call a community promiscuous negative economic effect on the "Fight to Unite: Let's talk about volunteer sight coordinator. country. Dr. Tod Stuart Porter, ecothat doesn't have the right to marsexuality," 1 p.m. March 5 in "These students must atriage [is unfair]," she said. nomics, said that isn't the case. Kilcawley's Chestnut Room. tend three self-help work sessions to learn to prepare taxes Net Love they're really a stranger." shared his opinions on why love and are then tested. Their on the Internet is so popular. But when does a stranger stop scores are sent to the IRS who Continued from page 1 done," he added. "Courtship is difficult face to being a stranger? will issue certificates to those alumnus, docsn't share these opin-Christina Brooks*, (an alias) an face, but online you can just say qualified students," Shaffer whatever," he said. "People get ions. Four months pregnant and Ohio native and graduate of said. tax forms will apply. Cornell University, relayed her beaming, Davis recounted the close really quick, assumptions are Bob Christofil, senior, acstory of how she met her husband made and gaps are filled to limit Internet love horror story. counting, and student treaonline. "I used the Internet to meet the bad and the ugly about people." surer of Alpha Tau Gamma "He lived in California, but afmen, and I had a hellish experi-Friends of Ellyson at DePaul (the honors accounting student ter we had talked many times. ence," said Brooks. "I got involved University in Chicago have been organization that supplies online and on the telephone, he with someone who turned out to conducting a study on people who some of the volunteers) said, flew out here to meet me in perbe married and a recovering drug met online and eventually married. "The program is set up to assaid. son. I know it sounds crazy, but we addict. Since he was a high risk Although the study hasn't been sist people with low incomes, just clicked," she said. published yet, Ellyson said the precandidate for AIDS, I had to be the elderly and people with Jim Stidham, senior, photogratested for sexually transmitted disliminary findings indicate after two disabilities. We're also able to phy, also praised the possibilities eases, not to mention I felt really years together 85 percent of the assist students, including or her tax returns." of making a match online. After hurt and betrayed. couples eventually split up. those from out of state and injokingly referring to himself as the "I met my wife the old-fash-"I was involved with this man ternational students." "Internet Stud," Stidham said, "I ioned way some 20 years ago," and I thought I knew him, but I "We want to have two stumet a girl named Jen online, and said Ellyson. "I'm a cyberspace really didn't know him," she dents per client completing the we talked for about a month on and added. virgin when it comes to meeting forms, after which the forms off. Then one night she called me Brooks said she was attracted people online, and that's fine will be reviewed by Dr. on the phone, and we talked for 12 to meeting men online because she with me. It's a very high-risk Shaffer and Dr. Law, our fac- 14 due to finals week. hours." tends to be shy, and it was easy for area. You hear the horror stories Stidham said after that converher to lose her inhibitions when of women who are romanced and sation, they decided to meet in pertalking on the computer. then something very terrible hapson "You just feel like you can say pens to them - like they wind up dead."

ting. He sometimes has surreal, James Esperon, Counseling Center, said making gay marriages illegal builds frustration in the gay

community. "They find themselves deprived of rights and passages that everyone else is entitled --- they begin to feel like second-class citizens," said Esperon. He warned against generalizing

and buying into negative stereotypes about gay relationships. "Everyone deserves the right to

a member with the organization for LGBT, said the inability of gays marry as an option, and most accept gay members. two years. to marry "keeps them in the closet. people prefer a healthy, married, "Marriage would validate and le-Brewer explained, "I wanted to All people want validation formonogamous life," said Esperon. gitimize a gay relationship. It would stay active with the organization, make it easier to bring someone their relationship. Marriage is a "The stereotype that gay relationbut the closest chapters are located States. basic human right." home to a traditional Thanksgiving ships are unstable is untrue. Within Cleveland and Pittsburgh ---out the ability to get married, we dinner and have family members see With marriage comes hundreds.

imagistic poetry," said Reese. Patty Hamilton, who is working toward her master's degree in English, said she especially enjoyed Patten's poetry.

"I'm really glad he read 'Thinking about Fresh Water.' That's one of my favorite poems," she said. "It's really cool to hear an au-

thor read his work," said Laura Catanzaro, senior, psychology. "The author adds inflections and feelings the reader might otherwise miss," she said.

Taylor and Patten, co-founders of West Branch: A Twice-Yearly Magazine of Poetry and Fiction, "run one of the most well known poetry centers in the country at Bucknell University," said Reese. "A chance to share their voices is a great joy."

"I'm not convinced [same-sex marriages] would create a very large change from an economic viewpoint," said Porter. "However, companies might find themselves paying coverage on more dependents. If that is the case - and this is purely speculative --- there may be an increase in insurance costs.' Trzynka stressed legalizing same-sex marriages would encourage acceptance of the gay lifestyle and make it easier for families to

The YWABJ promotes equality, professionalism. SHARLIE STUBBS tion in Youngstown." CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Black journalists form local chapter

Black journalists have written new chapter in the Youngstown-Warren area - a local chapter of the Association of Black Journalists. The YWABJ is an organization of media professionals such as individuals in radio, television and print who recently established a local chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists.

journalists in the greater Youngstown area who strive to strengthen ties between black media professionals, help educate the black community on the media's role in the community, expand the media's coverage of the black community and promote balance coverage of that community.

They also expand job opportunities for black journalists, work with local schools to encourage black students to pursue careers in journalism and the media, award scholarships to minority high school and college students and honor excellence and outstanding achievements of black journalists. The new YWABJ president is loyce Brewer. Brewer is a native of Long Island, N.Y. She has been

The organization is designed to promote equality and professionalism and to educate black students in the fields of journalism and telecommunications. The organization is a source to keep journalists and students abreast of upcoming events and workshops available to them all over the United States.

Tiffany Patterson, WFMJ producer, said she is glad the YWABJ formed a chapter in the Greater Youngstown Area.

"This gives me the opportunity to meet and communicate with people in my profession. YWABJ is a splendid organization to be a member of. It is a good organization for students majoring in telecommunications or journalism," Patterson said.

Being surrounded with media professionals will give students interested in telecommunications or journalism the opportunity to experience what the business is like from individuals who are working actively in the field.

Questions students may have can be addressed to YWABJ professional staff.

The National Chapter is at the University of Maryland in College Park Maryland. NABJ is the largest media organization for people of color. The organization has 70 professional chapters and 30 student chapters, which are on campuses throughout the United

For further information contact YWABJ, Youngstown, Ohio (330)

ulty advisors," said Christofil. "This will ensure the forms are filled out cor-"The goal of the VITA volunteers is to service over 100 clients this year." said Christofil. "Clients do not have to make appointments with us to have the taxes Shaffer said some restrictions to having the income "If the tax forms are too complicated to be completed by the students, we will inform the client to see a professional tax preparer or their accountant," Shaffer He also pointed out the client, as the taxpayer, "is ultimately responsible for his Services will be available in room 206 Feb. 7. All other sessions will be held in room 103 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. There will be no tax assistance available on March

YWABJ is a union of black

Since Jen lives in Massachusetts, Stidham flew east to meet

her. Did he have reservations about their first face to face encounter? "I wasn't worried about what

she looked like," he said casually. "I felt pretty comfortable. If you talk to a person a lot before you actually meet them, it's not like

anything, and so you do," Brooks said. "It was exciting for me to talk to men online and arrange dates. I hadn't had many relationships

prior to college. It was an easy way for me to meet someone and get a date without feeling self conscious." Dr. Steve Ellyson, professor of

Ellyson continued, "But then I also have a friend who met a guy online and rearranged her life to go be with him. I haven't talked to her in a while, but the last report was that things were going great, so don't I know. One thing is certain, meeting people psychology and human sexuality, on the Internet is here to stay."

We Are Moving!

The Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships will move to Meshel Hall across from the Bursar's Office. We will be closed from Friday, Feb. 13 through Monday, Feb. 16. We will reopen Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 8 a.m.

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Editorial

Stoned snowboarder should not get snowed

Marijuana, despite what the Olympic committee may think, does not normally enhance athletic ability. It won't make you stronger. It won't make you smarter. It won't make you more aware of what's going on around you. In fact, all marijuana really does is get you stoned.

So, when the Olympic committee stripped Canadian snowboarder Ross Rebagliati of his gold medal, they were punishing someone for committing an action that has no bearing whatsoever on his ability to snowboard. Sure, marijuana has a stigma the Olympic committee doesn't want to embrace. Sure, snowboarding, being a new sport, is only now becoming legitimized, and any connection to illicit chemicals won't help its cause.

But, let's face it, what Rebagliati does in his spare time has no effect (or, in this case, probably a negative effect) on his ability to compete, and if that action doesn't involve a White House intern, why make a big fuss? The committee might as well have punished him for skipping church, or peeking in the girls' restroom when he was 7 years old. Those would probably be considered immoral, socially unacceptable acts too, but I doubt the Olympic committee would not strip someone's medal for it.

Come on, this is sports. This is the world meeting peacefully in one place to determine who can kick who's butt in which events. This a happy occasion. This is definitely not a Nancy Reagan youth meeting. Sure, drugs are bad, but



CONTRIBUTING WRITER

What do you know, what does love sow? Normandy V-Day is approaching. And people a couple?" at The Crossroads are getting a little antsy. Hearts are aching, knees are quaking, and heads horses? are shaking. Old Sam is taking it all in. He looks at me, paus-

ing. A proclamation is in the works. "You know, Valentine's Day wasn't always a romantic holiday."

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Guest Commentary)

Are we talking about the good old days? "The old days, young man. Not the good old horses? days."

I could just nod my head. But Old Sam is itchin' for some discussion, and I'll not be one to disap- of yours?" point him.

Tell me, Sam, what is that thing they call love? The twitching of his eye and the tilting of his horses of his own. chin take on a more methodic appearance as he

shapes his answer. "Love is a big pain in the rump ..."

Come again?

other?"

Old Sam waves me off. He doesn't like when I respond with those catch phrases of youth. "... And love is deciding not to have it removed."

Cynical, eh? "Listen to you! Have you ever seen two people Just look it up in World Book. " who loved absolutely everything about each

Hmm. Sowing hempseed ... and obviously, wild No, I never did believe the Kathie Lee/Frank oats too. I guess reining in runaway horses doesn't Gifford fairy tale either, even before Frank struck hold true.

Sam presses on. "Have you ever seen two people who didn't have to adapt their individual lives to continue as You don't mean the reining in of runaway "Yes I do, if you must be poetic about it." Wouldn't it be better for two people to share runaway horses? Old Sam wasn't expecting that, which means

I'll have to goad him a little more. Or at least ride together on separate runaway

Sam's getting a little cranky. "Are you ever going to get off that poetic trail

Maybe in my 30s. Maybe never. Old Sam gives in and talks about runaway

"A few centuries ago, in old England, young women would ride around a church at midnight Valentine's Day, hoping for their true loves to appear. They would sing verses such as: I sow hempseed. Hempseed I sow. He that loves me best, Come after me now.

I raise a skeptical eye.

"I know what your thinking and yes, it's true." You guessed it. It's in there.

let the punishment fit the crime. Give the poor man his medal back.

(Staff Commentary) Prof praises preservation Every day should be Valentine's Day of YSU Women's Center

TELA DURBIN ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Chocolates, cards, cuddles, dinners, diamonds Fourth of July and Labor Day hardly count as holiand sex — these are a few of our favorite things, days where gifts are exchanged. but do we have to wait until one particular day a year to get them all at once? It seems like it.

Valentine's Day is hyped up way more than it should be. One day a year is designated to shower your loved one with gifts, love and attention. (If a holiday for 'you don't count Sweetest Day, and we people to don't because Sweetest Day is a totally and completely commercial, fic- appreciate the

tional holiday). Gifts and attention ones they love. should happen every day, or almost . every day when you're in a relationship. It shouldn't do forget Valentine's or stupid Sweetest Day. take a holiday for people to appreciate the ones they love.

If two people are a couple throughout the year, wherever you can. and one of the participants in the couple only waits Editor's note: Jamie Lynn Reesh and Rebecca until holidays or birthdays to observe the gift-giv- Sloan contributed to this commentary.

(Letters to the Editor)

Tuition, semester complaints prompt response

In response to the article "Student airs com- The article asks why weren't the students given plaints to Cochran," I agree with the fact tuition is more say so. rising, but we are still the lowest around here. If students could have expressed their feelings at meetpeople don't like the price of tuition, then choose ings to the administrators. another school.

You'll guickly find out YSU's tuition isn't as bad as it is made out to seem. I agree paying the administrators than students present at the meetings. tuition sometimes causes a strain, but if I went to So, if certain students wanted more input, they another school I'd be paying a lot more than I am should have gone to the meetings to say what they now - and that's true for everyone.

wanted. Also, I'd like to comment about the semesters.

ing ritual, where does that leave you? We'd be rather perturbed --- especially if you go out with someone during the summer months when Memorial Day,

We usually like the color red - two of us are redheads - but during the early days of February

red and its counterpart, pink, make us want to puke. Do girls or guys like It shouldn't take having to buy presents one day a year and then being ostracized if they forget? You, male or female, can solve this problem by just buying gifts whenever you want. Your mate will swoon with appreciation, and you can bring the occasion up if or when you

If you have gotten this far, the moral of this story is - love your mate with all your might whenever,

Erin Shields, freshman

If I remember correctly there were plenty of times

I wish to offer appreciation to the many members of the YSU community who moved quickly into action when they came to realize there was a possibility the Women's Resource Center might be closed. To any who may have described the YSU academic community as apathetic, this effort certainly offers some strong counter evidence.

It seems especially appropriate to thank Cynthia Anderson, vice president of Student Affairs and Judy Gaines, director of Student Life, for listening to the concerns of those supporting the Women's Center and for responding quickly to guarantee this important campus resource be preserved and bolstered. Many voices were heard in the coalitions formed to establish the importance of having a Women's Resource Center. Some of us learned in this process a similar safe cultural space for people of color appears to already have been lost at YSU. We need therefore to continue our coalitions to seek a space for people who have been, and continue to be, harmed by racism.

Poverty, gender, race, physical ability, physical appearance, sexual orientation, religion and some ethnicities carry with them an "otherness" created by the "critical gaze" of those people who themselves and through their ancestry have had greater privilege and the power to institutionalize the devaluing of "other" groups. It is often difficult to get established organizations and university administrators to understand the need for spaces where stigmatized groups can retreat and meet "out from un-And I also remember reading there were more der the gaze" of those who consider them as "other."

It is in those "safe spaces" that mutual support can happen, special encouragement can take place and special cultural features can flourish.

George Tablack, Mahoning County Auditor Glorianne M. Leck, Professor of Education

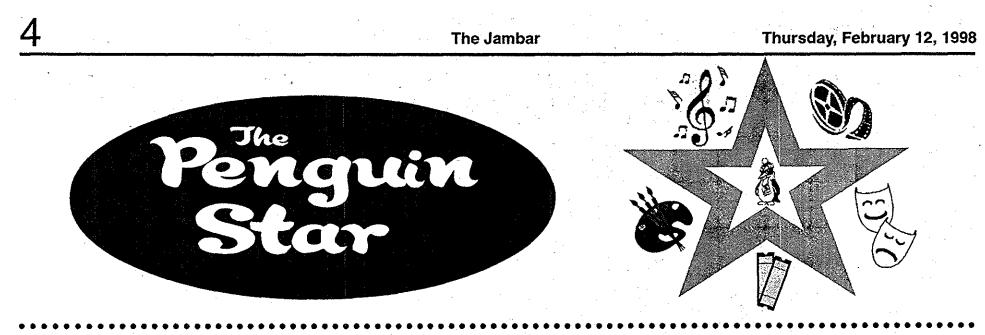
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on WYSU 88.5 at 7 p.m. tonight features



"What Are Tuesdays Like?"

Nicole Tanner Penguin Star Editor

AIDS. The word usually incites fear and sadness whenever it's mentioned. It's a dreaded disease that has stricken the world and made people re-evaluate their views on sex and life.

In a time when people would rather not talk about it, BlackBox Productions is addressing AIDS with its latest production, "What Are Tuesdays Like?" This is the first play dealing with the AIDS topic to be performed at YSU.

"With BlackBox, we can do plays that wouldn't get done otherwise," said Director Angelo Filaccio, senior, theater. "Our plays are more diverse in viewpoint."

The play marks the directorial debut for Filaccio, and he said the experience has been great.

"After you've directed once, you become a better actor," Filaccio said. "You learn to let go of your own preconceived ideas and let the talent take over and bring other. ideas into the production."



Cast member Michael DiPrizio, senior, theater, agreed Filaccio's first time directing has been successful, saying Filaccio "has been a peach to work with."

The plot of "What Are Tuesdays Like?" focuses on the lives of six AIDS patients receiving outpatient treatment. They meet in the hospital waiting room every Tuesday and through their interaction, we experience first-hand the struggles they encounter living with the disease.

The production has earned the support of several local AIDS organizations. There will be a symposium covering the disease following each performance and the Mahoning Valley AIDS Quilt will be on display in the lobby every evening. Filaccio said the outpouring of support was somewhat unexpected.

"I'm pleasantly surprised at the amount of support we've received, " he said. "When you do something like this, you

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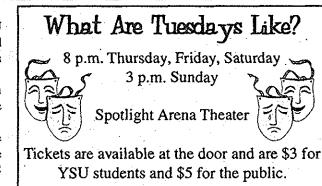
ON STAGE: (from left to right) John LaGuardia, Terri Jennings, Travis Ealy, Ian Bugno, Michael DiPrizio and (center) Brian Douglas star in "What Are Tuesdays Like?" The play, which deals with the lives of AIDS patients, runs this weekend in Spotlight Arena Theater.

really don't know what to expect."

Filaccio also said this is the perfect opportunity for YSU students to be educated about the disease. DiPrizio expressed his happiness that BlackBox has continued to present plays concerned with social change.

"It's important that we deal with controversial issues in contrast to the light-heartedness of most of the mainstage productions," DiPrizio said.

And BlackBox is definitely doing its part to help change society's views of the disease - the Sunday performance will serve as a fund-raiser for the Mahoning Valley AIDS Task Force.





Tracie Knight Editor in Chief

Although you may feel like you're going insane with midterms in high gear, don't sell yourself short as the one who flew over the cuckoo's nest. The Oakland Center for head nurse Ratched, played by YSU Protestant Minister Rev. the Arts has chosen to produce

the play that coined the phrase "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." The show, by Dale Wasserman as adapted from the 66 This show is different from others novel by Ken Kesey, opens Friday at the Museum of Industry and Labor (the Steel Museum). With five versions of this pro-

duction - a book, a movie, two plays and a book on tape - most people are familar with the plot of the show. But actor Rodd Coonce says this production will stand out from others.

"This show is different from others because we are bringing our own personalities to it," said Coonce. "And having

it at the Steel Museum adds an almost institutional feel to it - an ominous feel. The location will enhance the atmosphere."

Coonce portrays McMurphy, the main character, who concocts a scheme to complete the end of his prison term in relaxation and comfort — in a mental institution. The

> Kathym Adams, seeks to keep him in his place and prove to him how wrong he was if he thought this was going to be a vacation.

Meanwhile, McMurphy succeeds in breathing life into other because we are bringing our own patients that were thought to be beyond help. He makes a presumed deaf mute talk (played by Nick Cordova of Austintown) and encourages others to join him in a revolt that replaces straight jackets with straight liquor and women.

Managing Director Geri DeWitt-Tichnor said this performance is special because of the cast and Director Alexandra Vansuch's strong personal passions for this show.

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Rodd Coonce

Actor

Vansuch said she has reviewed all the versions of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" and completed research that led her to a fresh approach to the show.

"We didn't pay a whole lot of attention to what has already been done. I approach all shows the same way -starting new and trying not to pay attention to what others have done. The movie is different from book, the book is different from the book on tape - all are different - and ours is too. Rodd Coonce is not doing Jack Nicholson. We have a wonder ensemble of people and the Steel Museum provides an interesting collaboration."

Other cast members include: Ryan Davis of Cortland; Mike Fortine of Canfield; Michael Morley, AI Franklin, Jim Petuch, Jeff Beshara and James Thomas of Youngstown; Samuel Joseph Perry of Hermitage, Pa.; Kasimira Vogel and Debbie Stevens of Boardman; Dan Cristlieb of Bristolville; Khaled Tabarra of Austintown; and Dennis Audino of North Jackson.

The campus community should call 746-0404 to make reservations. Tickets are \$10 for general admisssion and \$8 for students and seniors. The show runs Friday, Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 for this weekend and next. The Steel Museum, at 151 W. Wood Street, is within walking distance of YSU.

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The Jambar

The film alternative in Youngstown

Adam Kadar Contributing Writer

re you sick of seeing the ordinary Hollywood film? Do you crave dialogue and a storyline to stimulate your senses, instead of the predictable special effects and explosions that occupy most theaters? If so, the Flick Clique is for you, offering the alternative of seeing art house and independent films. It is dedicated to bringing stylish, critically acclaimed films to this area that would not otherwise be available.

This type of film variety compliments the local creative scene. The Flick Clique has become a beacon for film buffs to not only stop scouring video stores for hardto-find films, but to see these films on the big screen. This is important since there is a definite significance between home-viewing and cinema-viewing. Watching movies in a cinema magnifies the experience, allowing the audience



COMING UP: (from left to right) Tori Spelling, Parker Posey, Josh Hamilton and Freddie Prinze Jr. star in "The House of Yes," which the Flick Clique will be showing Sunday at the Austintown Cinema.

to transcend into the moment a convenient, accessible place to and situations.

Jack Brizzi, a retired theater professor who has been a committee member of the Flick Clique since its infancy, said, "There is an art movie following in this area." There are more than 200 mem-

bers of the Flick Clique, which is attributed to the growing interest in art house and independent films. Some of these members are YSU students and professors. Brizzi said the Flick Clique gives its members

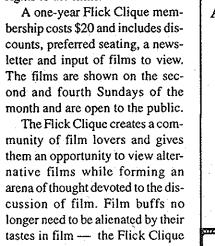
view these kind of films - the Austintown Cinema.

around here."

"Traveling to Cleveland to see art house films isn't always convenient or affordable," said Brizzi. Joe DiMatteo, a YSU art student, said he's considering becoming a member of the Flick Clique. "It would be interesting to" watch films that aren't so mainstream," said DiMatteo. "The club

would be something different to do delivers the avant garde Young-

Brizzi also explained films are considered and chosen by a coordinating committee that meets once a week. Most of these people are involved with the arts and have a perceptive knowledge of film. Brizzi said members often travel to Cleveland to get exposed to art house films and then try to bring them here. After the committee chooses films, it begins the timeconsuming task of speaking to distributors and negotiating for the rights to the films.



stown has been searching for.

The House of Yes

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4 and 7 p.m. Sunday **Austintown Cinema**



Admission is \$5. **Discounts** are available for members.



Deep Rising

Great Expectations



"Great Expectations" is like a dish of food that has no sugar, salt, pepper, texture or flavor. It's edible, sure, but without any spice or pizzazz whatsoever. Basically, watching this movie is like sucking on awet paper towel.

It's a romance/heartbreak flick taken from a Charles Dickens

story of the same name. I have never read the book, but I get the feeling Dickens would be as heartbroken as the characters get in some scenes if he saw what they did to his work. Finn (Ethan Hawke) is a

poor orphan who loves to draw. He meets Estella (Gwyneth Paltrow, who could make a sewing needle look fat), a snobby and mysterious, but beautiful girl. With the help of her aunt (Anne Bancroft, whose face looks like an old shoe with enough makeup to make a clown look conservative) they become close, intimate friends and danc-

ing partners. Then they grow up. Estella repeatedly lures Finn close, then leaves him in the cold. Their paths cross numerous times,

ways breaking his heart in new and inventive ways. Just when you think they'll get together, she pulls away and leaves. In the same way, the movie itself gets close to you, snuggles up,

then backs away. There were, scenes that lured me in, but the connection was quickly severed. For a romance movie to work out well, the romance needs to be successful. Strong characters are also needed - ones that you start to feel like you know and care about.

This movie has neither. The on/off passion between Paltrow and Hawke just didn't have enough fire in it, and aside from one part where Hawke wants nothing to do with the

> man who raised him. everything else was bland.

If anything, this movie might illicit what should be called "anti-love." Paltrow dogs Hawke in such cold, heartless ways I actually started rooting for Hawke to take a stand

and not fall for her come-ons. And try describing a few parts from this movie to a friend — a kid with no parents likes to draw, there are scenes with a boat, a girl poses nude to be drawn, the girl has money and the kid is poor. Your friend might think you're describing a certain James Cameron movie.

This isn't a complete stinker, but what it tried to accomplish most — romance — it succeeded at the least.

Every few years in Hollywood there is a trend to make a series of movies, all released relatively the same time, about the same basic thing.

Awhile back the rage was underwater monster movies ----"Deepstar Six," "The Abyss," "Lords of the Deep" — a trend started by James Cameron that was a waste of diving suits. Just recently it was volcano movies ----

"Dante's Peak," "Volcano" --- and now it's back to those water movies again, with "Titanic," "Hard Rain," "Deep Rising" and the yetto-be-released "Sphere."

If any plot sounds like a good idea, you can be sure it will be copied numerous times. After all, how many low-budget slasher movies did "Halloween" and "Friday the 13th" inspire - literally hundreds. "Deep Rising" stars Treat Williams as a good guy captain-forhire lugging a bunch of heavilyarmed goons to a cruise ship to take it over. Unbeknownst to Williams, it's all a big insurance fraud, and the plan is to sink it with torpedoes.

When they get to the ship, though, they find it's already empty except for a big mess of red

find out what happened, courtesy of a bunch of slimy underwater. snakes with an appetite for human fluids. Screaming people are eaten like candy by the monsters while everyone else tries to get through the mazelike ship intact.

The monsters slither around, bullets are spent like Rambo was leading the

charge, and there's even mild romance between Williams and an on-ship thief during the action.

The first 40 minutes were about as action-packed as a toothpaste. commercial. But once the creatures start showing up and gobbling people, the action kicks in. The monsters weren't as cheap

were still neat enough to enjoy. The movie itself wasn't very scary, but it was surprisingly graphic. Scenes of a half-digested man, point-blank axing and numerous corpses are definitely not

> for the squeamish. Parts of this movie were better than I expected, but I wasn't ex-

pecting much more than to stay awake. It moved along nicely in some scenes while others just didn't make much sense. And I would have really liked the ending if it had been a little more clear - the credits partially cut off the last sentence in the film. This

wasn't a very good movie, but for low-budget schlock, Tenjoyed it.



The YSU History Club is sponsoring a trip to the Cleveland Art Museum, Saturday, Feb. 21, 1998. The trip is FREE to all YSU students. The sign-up sheet is on Dr. Satre's office door in the History Office or call him at extension 1608.

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Pearl Jam

Yield



It's hard to believe that it's already been six years since the heyday of grunge. Even harder to believe that it's been four years since it went out of style. With this in mind, we have the return of the ever-reclusive Pearl Jam with their new album, Yield, which supposedly marks the beginning of the famed Seattle fivesome's comeback.

Comeback? Expectations are thing. high when selling a mere 2 million records is a disappointment, and over the course of the last couple of albums. Pearl Jam has

not been living up to expectations. Once poised to rule the world ---the sophomore effort Vs. sold something like a billion copies an hour - Pearl Jam slipped into

(relative) obscurity by shunning all forms of promotion, fighting TicketMaster and recording with Neil Young, Yield should put the band back on top of the music world, with one local record store clerk saying, "We expect this to be one of the biggest spring sellers." Yield marks a return to Pearl

Jam's often-imitated style of heavy guitars and little sense of humor. The album kicks off with the forced-sounding rave-up "Brain of J.," and slips into the punchless "Faithful!." It's clear right off the bat they're not screwing around -- this is the Pearl Jam of old. Sure lead singer/self-help guru Eddie Vedder isn't whining about the suffocating grip of success, but dammit, he's upset about some-

The third track, "No Way," is a slight piece of rhythm driven by ex-Red Hot Chili Pepper Jack

Irons' plodding drums and Jeff Ament's stiff bass. In short, pure filler. So the first three songs whiz by unexceptionally, but the album soon picks up the pace.

"Given to Fly," the album's first single, is what really gets Yield moving. I find myself powerless in succumbing to the cascading, majestic guitars - supplied by Stone Gossard and Mike McCready which crawl and soar with driving force as Eddie wails about flying (or something.) This song is actually OK, able to break even the most cynical listener.

On the powerful wave of "Given to Fly" comes "Wishlist," which I legitimately like. Talk about extreme. From no control to a frightening amount of tastefulness, "Wishlist" takes me back to the days of R.E.M. - before they became unlistenable (sometime around 1987).

Unfortunately Pearl Jam slips back into mediocrity with the standard "Pilate" and far too seems if it's not completely also a hidden bonus track after "All

over-the-top or completely restrained, the Pearl Jam sound wanes. The songs that fall somewhere in between tend to lack personality, although sections of these songs - typically the quieter sections --- are fairly likable and natu-

ral sounding. If you also enjoy the quieter moments (in relation to the other cliched parts), the second half of Yield should raise your spirits considerably. "Low Light" evokes the timeless Seals and Crofts, for better or worse, and "In Hiding" is a nice California-style rock song. Nothing spectacular, but still listenable.

I wish I could say the same for the grating "Push Me, Pull Me." which I suppose could be considered as Pearl Jam's attempt at mixing it up. Unfortunately, it ends up being a soulless, jumbled mess. The last (credited) song, "All Those Yesterdays," a Beatlesesque - I'll come to regret that - slice of unassuming pop that is sure to Nirvana-ish "Do the Evolution." It illicit very little reaction. There's ter.

Those Yesterdays," a nice little z instrumental that is one of this slim album's highlights.

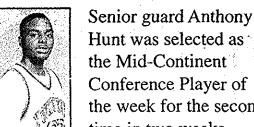
Believe it or not, I've actually come to respect Pearl Jam (like my friend Tracy said, "It's easy to like a band when they're not crammed down your throat with overexposure.") Not necessarily because of Yield, but because they really do stand apart from the majority of lame, highly offensive, generic guitar-bands such as Matchbox 20. Third Eye Blind and The Verve Pipe that have given rock 'n' roll a severe black eye. Oddly enough, these bands will be forgotten in five years just as Pearl Jam releases another "comeback" record.

I really think if you ever liked Pearl Jam you'll appreciate Yield, although it is underwhelming and uneven. It's an earnest attempt by a band that is obviously looking to regain some of the spark that they lost in the past few years. I remain unimpressed - tough luck for me.

This CD is currently on sale at Disc Go Round in Kilcawley Cen-



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I have talked about the world

of sports and other related sports

topics, but this week I am going

to discuss something that hits a

YSU Men's Head Basketball

Coach Dan Peters' five year con-

tract expires this season. The

team has four regular season

games left to play, and mum is

It has been in all of the papers

and on television that Coach Pe-

ters has not been resigned. But for

those of you living under a rock I

will tell you a little about Coach

Peters' success with the basket-

In Peters' first season at YSU

the team went a mere 5-21 but

came back the next season with

an 18-10 record. The last two sea-

sons have not been great with

records of 12-15 and 9-18, but

ball program.

the word on a new contract.

little closer to home.

Hunt was selected as the Mid-Continent Conference Player of the week for the second time in two weeks.

JOHN GOODWIN

MELISSA HALL

CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

team was bolstered by many tal-

ented senior walk-ons. Walk-ons

are members of the team who

come to play without originally

receiving scholarship money. Their

contributions helped lead the Pen-

guins to a National Championship.

walk-ons included: Mark Cox;

Peter Davila; Harry Deligianis;

Mike Gilligan; Willis Marshall;

Eugene Lewis; Tim Tyrell; and

Randy Coates. Each made tremen-

dous contributions to the team this

For example, Tyrell, tight end,

made 25 catches this season, four

of which were in the National

Despite being offered scholar-

ships to play for Division II and

Division III schools, Tyrell decided

to play for the Penguins because

Championship game.

from Cuyahoga

Falls, Ohio, and

Melissa

Lyczkowski

from Bedford,

season

This season's seniors who were

This season, the YSU football

he wanted to play at a "more competitive" He knew he would get that at YSU. "Many players won't play for a eam if they do not receive a scho

Valk-ons welcome

Cox

Coates

Deligianis

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Gilligan

Davila



sacks, with 16.

Senior linebacker Mike Gilligan

"As a walk-on, a player has

prove himself, but their is no

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scholarship players."

Deligianis said he chose to come to YSU as a walk-on because, "YSU has a great program, coaches and a family atmosphere, and the fans are great. There is something special here." He said his greatest accomplishment was helping the team get to the National Championship. He said, "There were no real stars - every-

Most walk-ons view their overall experience as beneficial. Gilligan said he chose YSU because of the location as well as the coaching staff.

work a little harder to prove himself, but there is not preferential treatment for scholarship players," said Gilligan.

"It was too country for me-I'm a city boy, " said Davila.

Davila and Gilligan both offered advice to aspiring walk-ons. Gilligan said, "Work hard, don't

one did so much."

"As a walk-on, a player has to

Jermaine Hopkins, a former Penguin football player who was murdered in 1996, told Davila to come to YSU and walk-on. Davila realized he did not like the Division II school he was attending.

this year's record of 17-5, and 10-2 in the Mid-Continent Conference is the Penguins' best start

since the 1979-80 season. Peters, who is 61-69 in his YSU career, and his Penguins sit atop the Mid-Con all alone with

four Mid-Con games left to play. The last three of the four games will be played at home. This is where I am going to throw my point at you. Coach Peters is doing an excellent job and should be resigned, but his mind is where it should be right now - winning the Mid-Continent Championships, which includes an automatic bid to the NCAA Field of 64. Coach Peters is not concerned with his contract right now, so why is everyone else? A wise man told me the minute you take

your focus off of what you are Mich., have doing, or others take the focus off signed of what you are doing, that little nationaldistraction may be all it takes to letters-of-intent cross the line between winning to attend YSU next year. and losing. Meech, a 6-2 middle hitter, has

Peters has shown YSU he is a a 4.1 GPA at Cuyahoga Falls High good coach, and he can get the School. She is a three-year varsity job done. The media needs to starter and two-time, first-team leave him alone and let the man All-Western Reserve Conference do his job. performer. In 1997, she was

YSU is all for success - in athselected to play in the District 3 letics, academics, student enroll-Senior All-Star Volleyball Game ment or anything that has to do and was a two-year member of the with the university. The people in Tree City Volleyball Club. She also charge only want what is best for competed on one of four teams the YSU basketball program and from Ohio to play in the 1997 USA will straighten out the situation Junior National Volleyball when the appropriate time ar-Championships in Denver, Colo. rives. And as Coach Tressel always says, "You get as your National Honor Society at Bedford works deserve." So just back off. High School, is also an outstanding

Lewis arship," said Tyrell. "As a walkon, you have to work harder, but it is more gratifying."

Cox, a wide receiver, had a big catch in the National Champion-. ship game before the winning

Marshall Tyrell

drive. Tyrell said, "He is the best blocker and wide receiver we have." Deligianis, defensive end, was

the season MVP and Defensive

ticle will fill you in.

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Player of the Year in the Gateway Conference. He also broke the YSU single-season record for

mess up, and the time will come when coaches will notice you."

"If a player is good his talent will show, but he has to enjoy what his is doing," added Davila. "Come out and have fun."

SAAC links students, coaches **Volleyball players** DAVID WEISS sign letters-of-intent STUDENT GOVERNMENT

times and the

Academic All-

Star Award in

YSU Head Women's Volleyball student, holding a 4.16 GPA who Coach Joe Conroy announced won the school's Scholar Athlete Kristen Meech Award three

Meech

Lyczkowski, a member of

1997. On the floor, Lyczkowski guided Lyczkowski Bedford, who is

ranked No. 1 in the state, to a 63-3 mark this season. She led her team to the championships of the School Craft Invitational, where she garnered MVP honors. As the starting setter on the junior varsity team, she guided her team to an outstanding 138-0 record. "Both student athletes will

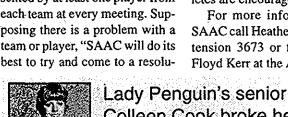
contribute size and skill to the year's recruiting class, " said Conroy. "With the addition of these two ladies and with the existing team, we are looking for a lot of good things for next season. This adds two quality student-athletes to our program."

tion," said McAtee: She said the committee is here for players who find it hard to confront their The Student Athletic Advisory coaches about the problems they Committee - many students at may be having.

YSU do not know who we are or why we are here, therefore this ar-People often get the feeling that being an athlete at YSU is a barrel of jollies, but there is more to it than fun and games. "Problems often occur be-

tween players and coaches, or even between players. We are an organization that was created three years ago to be a liaison between the athletes and the athletic in NCAA competitions. administration," said SAAC

President Heather McAtee. Each athletic team is represented by at least one player from each team at every meeting. Supposing there is a problem with a team or player, "SAAC will do its



Colleen Cook broke her own single-season record for steals, with 105 in Saturday's 72-50 victory over Oral Roberts.

McAtee also points out the group deals with NCAA policies, "We are currently involved in the NCAA certification process. YSU will be reviewed in the spring by the NCAA. They will be covering Equity (gender and minority), Fis-

cal Integrity, Academic Integrity and Compliance with Rules and Regulation." The committee will be deciding if YSU meets all of the rules and regulations to compete SAAC meets every third Sun-

day at 4 p.m. The next meeting will be Feb. 15 and coaches and athletes are encouraged to attend.

For more information about SAAC call Heather McAtee at extension 3673 or faculty advisor Floyd Kerr at the Athletic offices.

Lady Penguin's senior guard

