

MEDIA ADVISORY

- Event:** Dedication and unveiling of a bronze statue of Dominic Rosselli, legendary YSU head basketball and assistant football and baseball coach. The 12-foot, 1,500-pound statue is a life-size depiction of the coach standing in front of a tree trunk with a football, baseball and basketball player coming out of the trunk. The tree is meant to represent growth through athletics and learning.
- Time and Date:** 6 p.m., Friday, May 20, 2005.
- Place:** South side of Beeghly Center on the Youngstown State University campus.
- Additional Information:** In 2004, Merrill Lynch stockbroker and YSU graduate Tony Lariccia gave the university \$100,000 to commission a statue of Rosselli, head basketball and assistant football and baseball coach at YSU from 1939 to 1982. After conducting a national search for an artist, Edward Hlavka of St. George, Utah, was selected from 30 applicants.
Lariccia and Rosselli will receive honorary degrees at YSU's commencement 9:30 a.m. Saturday, May 21.
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