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Junior Nick Skoczen takes a shot last night against Allegheny. Senior Craig Neal looks on. OWU took its first loss of the season to the Gators in penalty shots 4-3. For the full story see page 12.

Cooperation key to Rymut's WCSA leadership style

By Aarti Jitender
Guest Reporter

Cheerful, friendly, bright, hardworking and competitive are just a few words being used to describe senior Marie Rymut, president of WCSA and recently crowned Homecoming Queen.

Since the beginning of the year, some are seeing the obvious change in WCSA and attributing a part of it to Rymut's cooperative leadership style.

According to senior Jason Ramsey, treasurer of WCSA, this year's WCSA is completely different and has a new outlook to everything it does. While former WCSA presidents have been more focused on the big picture and ignored small details, Rymut is able to take the big picture and apply it to the smaller things that WCSA needs to function as a body.

Ramsey said she is well organized and manages to build good relationships with people, including trustees and the administration.

Gene Castelli, director of Dining Services, said while in the past he has had confrontations with WCSA, like when Dining Services planned to decrease hours in a few facilities due to off-campus food points, this year WCSA is more willing to work together to solve potential conflicts.

Rymut said she has made an effort to foster good relations not only between students on WCSA but also with faculty and the administration, and has worked to create an atmosphere of unity and organization.

"We don't need to fight [the

administration]," she said. "Obviously they're on our side; this isn't like politics. We have our administration, faculty, trustees and students and we all want just a good Ohio Wesleyan. We all want to improve on what we have."

Dean of Students John Delaney said this is the strongest WCSA he's seen and gives a lot of credit to Rymut and the people around.

"She is just the epitome of the servant leader," Delaney said. "She works harder than anybody else and spends more time than anybody else. She cares, that's truly it."

According to Delaney, as Homecoming came closer and the level of commitment needed increased, very few people were able to put in all that was needed to make it happen. He said Rymut was one of the few that stuck to it and fulfilled the commitment she had made.

Rymut's organizational skills and love for organizing things are reflected both in WCSA and her personal life.

Rymut said she is obsessed with color coordinating items, especially her folders. She has a different color for each class, and sometimes even tries to match her pen color with the folder color.

Senior Beth Schopis, Rymut's freshman roommate, said, "Every little detail matters to her, even when you're living with her. My stuff was everywhere and she just felt the need to organize it."

Schopis said she remembers coming back to the room after going out of town one weekend to find Rymut had cleaned the entire room and disinfected it.

According to Rymut, her ju-

nior fall semester in Washington D.C. working with Congressman Tim Ryan convinced her to run for WCSA president and made her realize the potential of WCSA and the extent of its power if the students take the initiative.

Rymut said she was surprised and flattered when she won Homecoming Queen. "It was weird. I was definitely not outgoing, Homecoming [Queen] material in high school. It was flattering, I guess is the best way to put it, that my peers know me," she said.

Ramsey said he remembers Rymut not wanting to run for the position, but when she got nominated she didn't want to pull out because of her competitive nature.

"If she does something she plays to win," Ramsey said.

He said he remembers competing with her in an introductory politics class to see who'd get a higher grade. He beat her by half a point but said it was the only time he'd ever beaten Marie at anything.

Besides being the WCSA president, Rymut is also a Presidential Scholar with a triple major in politics and government, genetics and microbiology. She is a member of the Honors Student Programming Board, was on the track team and played the cello for a while.

Rymut said she is currently applying to medical and law schools since she isn't sure which field she wants to go into. She said she'd eventually like to practice medicine and then look into medical policy on a national level. She said running for political office is not out of the question.

You have been disconnected

By Raza Naqvi
Staff Reporter

The internet network has been experiencing sporadic disturbances without definite cause, said Jason LaMar, director of Information Systems.

"We've had firsthand and secondhand reports from a small percentage of students living on campus that they're experiencing random, intermittent disconnections from the campus network and the Internet," LaMar said. "Unfortunately, up to this point, we haven't been able to establish any obvious patterns or common causes."

LaMar said steps taken to rectify the problem have had mixed success.

"In the past few weeks, we initially tried modifying our network switches, then modifying our bandwidth management system between the OWU campus and the rest of the Internet," he said. "Then we tried modifying the interaction between the Impulse Point system and our network-

ing equipment. In each case, we seemed to have only sporadic success."

In a campus wide e-mail Friday, LaMar asked students to inform InfoSys about network problems they have faced. Failures were observed in programs "from AOL Instant Messenger to *World of War Craft* to common internet browsing."

He said the wide range of failures made it difficult to distill a common failure and InfoSys was dealing with student complaints on an individual basis.

Junior Isaac Boltansky said the periodic disruptions are inconvenient, but tolerable.

"They're irritating, yes, but it's not the end of the world," Boltansky said. "I end up doing most of my work in the library anyway, so it doesn't disrupt my routine. The cut offs usually aren't that long anyway. I have to say though that once in a while, when writing a paper in dead of night, when you get the 'page cannot be displayed,' you just sigh."

According to Lamar, InfoSys supports about 1500 network

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HoT holds forum on social learning

By Mike Alcock
Guest Reporter

Senior Eric Magnus hosted "The Meeting of the Minds", an intellectual discussion forum, Thursday, Oct. 28 in Beeghly Library. The event was open to faculty, staff and students and centered around the idea of social learning on a residential campus.

Magnus, moderator of the House of Thought (HoT), originally conceived of and facilitated the event as a sophomore, focusing on the question: "What is a liberal arts education?"

He said his intent this year was to investigate an important campus issue through a student initiated forum.

"It was interesting to hear different perspectives about out-of-class learning ideologies," he said. "I expected there to be more about psychological development issues, but most of the discussion centered on intellectual engagement through campus programming, which was fine."

The forum was composed of 17 students, three staff members from the Residential Life office and two faculty members. Magnus said he anticipated a low turnout, but would have liked more faculty and staff perspectives.

Those in attendance introduced numerous issues surrounding social learning at OWU, including the benefits of living on a residential campus, the distinctions between the various options for residential living, the limita-

tions of accessing resources for programming, and the quality and perceived over-prevalence of campus programming.

Economics professor Saif Rahman said the forum generated important dialogue that addressed challenging questions for the OWU community. He said although the conversation would have profited from a larger cross-section of the residential community as well as more faculty representation, it was successful in elucidating issues surrounding the quality and presence of social learning on campus.

"Intellectual engagement outside of the classroom gives students avenues to push their frontiers further than required," Rahman said. "This engagement creates feedback that can energize the broader community. It can occur through various different channels that compliment one another. Experiential learning shouldn't require students to be intellectually gifted - it should provide common experiences."

"Beyond the institution, this creates a larger group of people who are socially and intellectually conscious and capable of leading our society," Rahman said.

During the discussion, Wendy Piper, director of Residential Life, said she doesn't think over-programming on campus is a problem.

"I think the dilemma of having too many options and not enough time to fit them all into your schedule is better than having too

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ports in residence halls and fraternities, including the entire network infrastructure and University computers.

"We also support a dozen servers that control OWU's e-mail, Web, Jenzabar CX and many other management and security processes," he said. "And then there's the campus Internet connection, which has to funnel all data traffic between OWU and the rest of the world. It's an incredibly complex system involving thousands of devices that everybody expects it to just work (and work perfectly) all the time."

The InfoSys staff is often overwhelmed, he said.

"In terms of both staffing and funding, resource limitations are something we have to grapple with every day in Information Services," he said. "Ideally, we wish we were able to devote more resour-

es to focus on the OWU residential network - but that remains a wish for now."

However, Junior Anusha Lalwani said her complaints have been dealt with efficiently.

"They've been pretty good about getting things fixed," Lalwani said. "The internet dies once in a while, but its back up quickly enough. It's something you would expect since they manage just about everything having to do with computers on campus."

LaMar said his team is responsible for the upkeep of the internet, the most useful resource for students today.

"Essentially, for better or worse, computer networking technology has become a utility - just like electricity and phone service," he said. "People rarely think about how crucial it is until something breaks."

Forum

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many channels [on television] to choose from and nothing on," she said.

Junior Jon Distad, a first-year member of HOT, said the discussion was successful.

"I think the fact that not many people attended exemplified one of the things he [Magnus] was trying to prove," Distad said. "I didn't add much, but I thought other people brought up important points."

Senior Jerome Stenger, a third-year HOT member who attended the "Meeting of the Minds" in the spring of 2005, said Thursday night's discussion had a stronger focus than the original.

"Eric's approach this year was more specific," Stenger said. "He determined distinct areas that needed examination, producing more productive discussion," Stenger said. "People argued over semantics [at the previous discussion], leaving little time for relevant debate. Most of the talk

[Thursday night] centered around relevant issues, dilemmas, and even some solutions for promoting more effective social learning on campus."

Senior Laura Sinclair, moderator of the Women's House, said although student representation was one-sided in favor of the small living unit community, she enjoyed the faculty presence.

"It was unique aspect, you don't see that at most house projects," she said.

Magnus said his forum is only one approach to stimulating campus-wide intellectual engagement and is hopeful for further development.

"The discussion was definitely successful in re-framing conceptions about learning on this campus [for those that attended]," he said. "I'll probably do [the project] again in the spring, but I'm also interested in doing something action-oriented."

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News Briefs

Donations from workshop to benefit student group

The House of Peace and Justice is bringing the Non-violent Communication Workshop to Benes Room A Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. It will consist of hands-on activities, role playing and small group discussions. NVC is a life-changing way of interacting. It facilitates the flow of communication needed to exchange information and resolve differences peacefully. There is a suggested donation price of \$2 or \$3. Half of the donations collected will benefit the student group going to Georgia to learn more about the School of the Americas.

Formal recruitment sign up all week

Sign ups for Sorority Formal Recruitment will be available all week during the lunch hours in the Hamilton Williams Campus Center. Contact either Emily Dow at eadow@owu.edu or Amy Gearica at apegearic@owu.edu for more information.

Career Fair on Wednesday

The OWU Career Fair and Graduate/Professional School Expo will be Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Hamilton Williams Campus Center Benes Rooms. For more information go to <http://owu.edu>.

Finance-focused internship meeting Tuesday

The Northwestern Mutual Financial Network will be hosting an internship information session Tuesday from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Hamilton Williams Campus Center room 326. You must attend in order to be considered for the 2006-2007 internship program. Dress is business casual or class attire. Pizza will be provided. E-mail leena.das@nmfn.com if you have any questions or visit Career Services for more details.

Kraus fellowship applications due soon

The Natural Preserves Committee is currently accepting applications for the Spring 2007 Kraus Research Fellowships. The fellowships provide a \$500 student stipend in addition to a supply budget for research that incorporates the Kraus Nature Preserve. Applications are due Friday, November 17. Contact Dr. Amy Downing at aldownin@owu.edu.

Arts & Entertainment

Chi Phi, Trick or Treat Street part of Delaware Halloween traditions

By Paige Burton
Guest Reporter

Halloween is not just for children. Ohio Wesleyan and the Delaware community celebrated the holiday with tradition, custom and entertainment.

Chi Phi kicked off the festivities Thursday from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. with their annual haunted house located on 216 N. Franklin St.

Junior Daniel Meisterman, Chi Phi philanthropy chair, said the house consisted of four themed floors. All of the brothers and 45 volunteers dressed-up to scare guests at 10-minute intervals.

Senior Tom Brown, Chi Phi president, participated in the haunting as a supervisor and basement floor leader.

"I love getting our house involved with the community," he said. "Since we live off campus, it makes everyone feel like our neighbors."

The house was open Friday and Saturday from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. and included zombies, psychiatric patients and cannibals. Brown said the cost of admission was \$6 for adults and \$3 for children, two canned goods, or five food points.

Junior Francis Smith helped design, plan and construct the first floor.

"The weeks of preparation suddenly felt worth it as we scared people coming through the house," he said. "It also feels good to know we did it for a good cause."

Proceeds and canned good donations from the event will go to

a local food bank on Sandusky Street, People In Need, along with the Delaware Big Brother Big Sister Program.

On Saturday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Downtown Delaware hosted its annual Halloween party at Mingo Park. The party celebrated with: grilled hot dogs, cookies, cider, a small bonfire, pumpkin picking, costumes and hayrides.

Theresa Webb, Delaware Recreation administrative assistant, said volunteers from the grounds crew, city staff and advisory board members helped plan the evening.

"We were excited to have a live demonstration of pumpkin carving," she said. "We found a man who carves as a hobby and it was great for the community to see his handy-work."

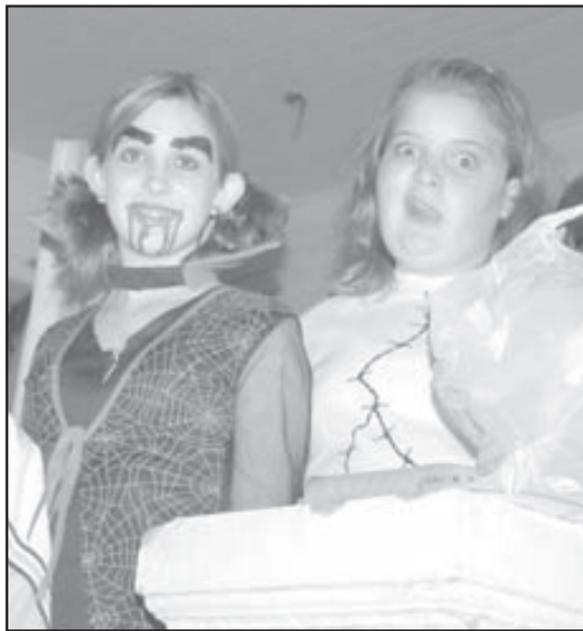


Photo by Ryan Kim

Autumn Hayes and Casey Brown, both 11, scare away OWU's ghosts as they collect candy at Trick or Treat Street on Tuesday.

Also on Saturday, Sociology Professor Mary Howard held a Harvest Festival/Shindig at her home in Highbanks of Mill Creek. Howard said the Sociology and Anthropology Board met and convinced her to promote good fellowship.

"In the past we've had a picnic but I am fortunate to have a great setting in the country," she said. "It's a broad invitation so everyone is welcome to walk down to the farm, get away from school and feed the horses."

"The Grudge 2," story line slightly confusing

There's nothing really scary about "The Grudge" movies. They're not particularly great films, either -- and yet, I do enjoy them somewhat. I think the reason is that I'm always wondering when and where that Creepy Kid With the Big Eyes Who Makes the Kitty-Cat Sounds will pop up next. I really really really like the Creepy Kid.

The film stars Amber Tamblyn as Aubrey, the sister of Sarah Michelle Gellar's character (the lead in the first film, and who makes

a cameo in this sequel). Aubrey is sent to Japan to find out what

Critic's Corner

by DNA Smith

happened to her sister. It seems that after the events of the first film, Sarah Michelle Gellar's character was placed in the looney bin of a Tokyo hospital.

Aubrey also meets a Japanese

journalist investigating the mysterious events surrounding the house where Gellar lived. It has been at the center of several grisly murders -- and, of course, audience knows the house is haunted by Creepy Kid and his Croaking Mom.

What may confuse the audience is that "The Grudge 2" weaves three different story lines -- and three different time frames. Events are shown out of sequence, so it's tough to know what's going on until you've seen the whole

On Tuesday, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Welch and the Small Living Units (SLUs) organized Trick or Treat Street for kids.

Senior Stephanie Bologeorges said each house had a \$100 budget to create scary settings, which included Harry Potter, a haunted circus and PAC MAN.

Senior Andrea Minich, a member of the House of Thought (HoT), said each house had a rating scale of one to five so kids could be forewarned of how scary each would be. The Peace and Justice House (P&J) and the House of Black Culture (HBC) were rated the highest on the scary scale.

"In our house we have someone being PAC MAN and the rest of us are being ghosts," Minich said. "We made the first floor into a maze and then played warped PAC MAN music."

For further entertainment on campus, Public Safety Officer John Ciochetty told ghost stories in the Stuyvesant Hall lounge. Ciochetty, author *The Ghosts of Stuyvesant Hall and Beyond*, said he's been telling stories since 1999.

"The stories I tell have nothing to do with the book, but the book proceeds will be used as a gift for the University and whatever the students need," he said.

With the Halloween festivities at a close, Meisterman said he is exhausted.

"The brothers of Chi Phi have been living and breathing haunted house for the last month," he said. "It was a huge amount of effort, but it was so much fun."

Arts Briefs

Free Concert Sunday

The Music Department will present its Symphonic Wind Ensemble Concert on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 3:15 p.m. in Gray Chapel. Dr. Larry Griffin will be conducting. The concert is free and open to the public. Formal recruitment sign up all week

Calling all freshmen

Class of 2010, join your fellow first year students for food, entertainment, and prizes on Monday, November 13 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Hamilton Williams Campus Center Benes Rooms. Contact Ben Walkuski bmwalkus@owu.edu for more information.

Open mic night Wednesday

The Writer's Club is going to the Columbus Music Hall Wednesday for the Writers Block's open mic/slam night. Those interested in performing, or just wanting to figure out what slam is, are all welcome to attend. Admission is provided by the club. Contact writers@owu.edu for more information.

Musical to be "Out of This World"

The Departments of Theatre, Dance, and Music are collaborating to present the comic Cole Porter musical, "Out of This World" from November 9 to November 12. Call now to reserve your tickets at x3855.

Director of New York Arts program to give sculpture workshop

Alvin Sher, Director of the New York Arts Program, will be on campus from Monday afternoon to Thursday to meet with students. He will give a sculpture workshop, in the Sculpture Studio of Haycock Hall, before he leaves campus at 2 p.m. Contact Cindy Cetlin, Campus Representative of the New York Program, or, when Alvin is here, call Jon Quick x3067 for additional information.

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Arts & Entertainment

Students to perform in peer-written works

By Julia Smith
Guest Reporter

Last week students from THEA 380: Directing for the Stage auditioned actors and more for the annual One-Act Plays Festival, consisting of 13 plays written by students and Theatre and Dance Professor Bonnie Gardner. The plays will be performed on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 8 and 9 at 8 p.m.

Senior Emily Foster is directing "The Fourteenth Hour," a play written by junior Dan Whalen. Foster said everyone on campus was welcome to audition.

"Anyone and everyone was invited to [the] auditions," she said. "All of the 13 plays that are

being directed have two characters (some two girls, or two boys or one girl one guy)."

Junior Kit McCann participated in the auditions last week and will be performing in the play "Forever Fraternal" written by Gardner.

McCann, a double major in Fine Arts and psychology, has participated in a number of theater productions including past productions of One-Act Plays.

"I have been involved in the theatre for fun since freshman year," McCann said. "I was in the one-act [plays] both freshman year and sophomore year so I figured I should do it again. It's really fun."

McCann said at the audition,

all of the participants auditioned in a general manner, not for specific parts.

"Basically, you go in and audition for 15 people at once, all the people in the directing class," McCann said. "It's mildly intimidating but not a lot, because they're all peers. Then there were two days of callbacks, where directors picked out specific people they wanted to see more in depth. It's basically a second round of auditions, but only for one director at a time."

Edward Kahn, assistant professor of Theater and Dance, said One-Act Plays has been an annual tradition since before he arrived at Ohio Wesleyan in 2004. Kahn said the playwrights and

directors are not only students from the theater department.

"The directors are all enrolled in THEA380, Directing for the Stage," Kahn said. "Many are theatre majors, but not all; 11 of the 13 plays are written by students who are taking, or who have taken in the past, THEA369/ENG318."

Kahn said the one-act plays are focused on the students applying their skills and working together; playwrights, directors, actors, stage managers, designers and technicians and the crew.

"The one-acts are short; they're meant to be part of an evening of theatre, not an entire evening by themselves," Kahn said. "The plays this year will take about ten minutes each to perform, so an

evening of six or seven should last about an hour to an hour and a half.

"Working on the one-acts is a wonderful way for the directing students to apply what they've been learning and to share that with an audience. Also, it's great for the play writing students to see their work produced."

Kahn said the main goal of the plays is to watch the students bring them to life.

"The ultimate goal for all the participants is to use their knowledge, skills, and talent to bring these plays to life in an entertaining, thoughtful, and/or moving way for an audience," Kahn said.

Kroger Radio: worse than top 40, but not muzak

Working at Kroger gives me time to do a lot of thinking about everything from how I haven't taken Kill Hannah's latest out of my car CD player to the fact that I've heard the same 50 songs each day I've worked for the last six weeks.

All the Krogers are connected to the same radio station (I use the term loosely). The station broadcasts the same 23 commercials which are specific to products carried by the company (i.e. pears, Disney foods, and Hallmark greeting cards). According to a co-worker, some time ago, the store manager got to choose the kind(s) of music that would be

played, but there was an executive decision that all Krogers would play the same "easy listening" hits.

"Kroger Radio" (as I'm going to call it) is worse than a top 40 station. Yes, stations like WNCI 97.9 FM play the same 40 songs all day, but as the top 40 changes daily, the playlist changes with it. On Kroger Radio however, I have never heard it change. If I hear Lesley Gore sing about her boy Johnny leaving with Judy again, I will stab a cupcake in the eye (if only they had eyes...).

The music isn't bad, actually

far from it. Kroger Radio plays some classics like the Beach Boys'

Off-Beat

by Meghan Hensley

"Surfin' U S A" to some more recent hits like Celine Dion's "My Heart Will Go On." I think I heard "I Will Always Love You" by Whitney Houston the other day, but I can't be sure. There's one song that I don't know the name of, but it got on my nerves the first day I worked. It needs to stop.

The 23 commercials that are played on Kroger Radio change

with the season. For example, during the whole month of October two commercials about breast cancer ran, since it was Breast Cancer Awareness month. Another seasonal commercial was the one for a little bear that you got "free with the purchase of three Gold Crown Hallmark greeting cards." The woman who does the bulk of the commercials, pretended to be the bear talking about how it was just chilling with the greeting cards. That one got annoying real quick.

What's sad is the fact that I can almost quote all 23 commercials line for line. When it's a slow night in the deli/bakery (where I work),

I absent mindedly start memorizing the commercials. Occasionally, I even say the lines before the people on the radio do.

Another sad thing is that I have the order memorized. I know when each commercial is going to play. For example, the pear commercial comes before the general Hallmark commercial, but comes after the Snuggle Exhilarations fabric softener commercial (which smell amazing).

For all its faults, mainly playing the same music and ads over and over, Kroger Radio isn't bad for a grocery store. Thank God it's not muzak.

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DeWine seeks third term

By Keller Sehringer
Guest Reporter

Two years before the next presidential election, 2006's candidacy for Senator of Ohio is a key player in determining which party will control the Senate and will be an indication of the direction Ohio is heading, Republican, or Democrat.

Mike DeWine, Republican candidate running for a third Senate term, is running against Democrat Sherrod Brown on Nov. 7. The candidates hold opposing views on important issues.

With Republicans such as George Bush and Gov. Taft losing popularity in Ohio, DeWine has a tough race ahead of him. Carl F. Pinkeley, politics and government professor, said, "The Iraq war will be the backbreaker for Republicans this year—much if not more than it was an asset for Bush in 2004. DeWine's particular policies are negligible. Most attention will be paid to his attachment to Bush and the Iraq war."

A major factor hurting DeWine's chances for reelection is the wave of anti-Republican senti-



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Sen. Mike DeWine (R)

ment in Ohio and across the nation. Sophomore Maxwell Penning said, "It happens to be unfortunate for DeWine that many people will put their vote towards Brown not based on issues, but the fact that the Democrats want control of the Senate."

DeWine earned a bachelor's degree in 1969 at Miami University of Ohio and received his law degree in 1972 from Ohio Northern University. He lives in Cedarville and has been a member of the U.S. Senate since 1994. DeWine is married and has eight children.

DeWine's stances on main issues clash with Brown's views. In 2003, DeWine supported the authorization to use force against

Saddam Hussein and now he is against setting a deadline to remove American forces from Iraq. DeWine supports Bush's tax cuts. He also supports increases in national security and supports the Patriot Act, including Bush's decision to eavesdrop without warrants on communications from suspected terrorists abroad. DeWine also supports current free-trade pacts to help Ohio's exporting industry and the new Medicare drug benefit, each of which Brown opposes. The past months polls have indicated a widening lead for Brown. A CNN poll in early September found that 55 percent of Americans are more likely to vote for the challenger in any election this fall. DeWine's attachment to Bush's legislation has been hindering his goals to be bipartisan. Both candidates have been attacking the other's reputation. DeWine has brought up allegations of Brown's failing to pay unemployment taxes in 1992 until the government took action. He also has claimed that in 14 years, Brown has passed only four bills.

Editor's Note: We're running these pages as a guide about the ballot issues and the candidates in Tuesday's election. Issue 1, which would have affected workers' compensation, has been removed from the ballot because its legality was challenged. No votes cast for Issue 1 will count. For details on where you can vote, look at the graphic on the opposite page. We never intended to support specific candidates, so don't interpret these as endorsements. The races for the congressional seats will play a vital role in determining if the Republicans keep control of the House and Senate.

Brown hopes to unseat incumbent

By Tim Rosendaul
Guest Reporter

The Ohio Senate Race will likely be the most highly-watched race around the country.

Mike DeWine, Republican Senator running for his third term, and Sherrod Brown, a Democrat and a U.S. Representative since 1992, have completely opposite views in key issues.

These key issues concern the war in Iraq, the new Medicare program, tax cuts and international trade treaties. Brown, who voted against going to war with Iraq, wants a plan to withdraw troops in two years. DeWine voted for the war and thinks it would be wrong to set a deadline to withdraw troops from Iraq.

Although Brown opposes the war in Iraq, according to Craig Ramsay, professor of Politics and Government, it won't favor him in the 2006 election.

"It won't favor Brown in the election, but DeWine's stance behind President Bush's to keep troops in Iraq will only hurt him," Ramsay said.

Sophomore Benedict Connelly is also opposed to the Iraq war and hopes that withdrawal of troops will happen soon.

"I hope we can sufficiently come up with a plan in the future to start slowly removing troops from Iraq and giving more military control to the new Iraq government," Connelly said.

Brown, 53, of Avon, received a bachelor's degree from Yale University and a master's degree in education and public administrations from The Ohio State Univer-

sity. Brown served in the Ohio House from 1975 to 1983, Ohio Secretary of state 1983 to 1991, and U.S. House of Representatives 1992 to present.

On the other key issues, Brown voted against the 2003 Medicare program. He hopes to change it by letting the government bargain for cheaper prices on pharmaceutical drugs and allowing senior citizens the opportunity to go elsewhere for pharmaceuticals. On another issue, Brown opposes the international trade treaties, saying they need tougher labor laws and that they cost thousands of manufacturing jobs in Ohio.

The race for the Senate election in Ohio is attracting much national media coverage. Democrats are hoping to gain a majority in Congress and this election will play an important role in a potential shift in political power. DeWine has spent \$14.5 million on his campaign, and Brown has spent \$9.6 million, according to *The Columbus Dispatch*.



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Sherrod Brown (D), hopes to unseat incumbent Sen. Mike DeWine.

Blackwell looks to snatch contested gubernatorial race

By Rick Durham
Guest Reporter

J. Kenneth Blackwell is the Republican candidate in the heated race for governor.

For a Republican candidate in Ohio, Blackwell's chances of winning are looking slimmer and slimmer.

"Polling data has consistently shown Blackwell running more than 10 percentage points behind Strickland. Therefore, I would say his chances are poor," explained Craig Ramsay, professor of politics and government.

Blackwell's image may be sullied as a result of Bob Taft's conviction on ethics charges, and many people are saying it is time for a change in Ohio's government.

"I think any GOP backlash nationwide will hurt most Republican candidates on ballots this year. But I think Blackwell's problem is that the Taft Administration has had so many scandals

that any Republican candidate for governor in Ohio this year would be in trouble," Ramsay said.

As far as the 'hot button' issues are concerned, Blackwell opposes abortion, opposes gay civil unions, and opposes embryonic stem cell research.

According to his website, Blackwell plans on "kick starting" Ohio's economy by cutting taxes and controlling government spending. More jobs and focusing on businesses is Blackwell's plan to get Ohio on the "right" path.

Blackwell's first priority is to cut taxes in order to create more jobs in Ohio. He also plans to limit spending so more taxes can be cut.

Blackwell was formerly the mayor of Cincinnati, as well as the first African American to serve in a statewide executive office when he became secretary of state, which he currently holds.

Blackwell received his master's degree from Xavier University in Cincinnati, and has instructed

there for many years, starting when he was in his 20s.

If elected, Blackwell will be the first African American Republican governor ever, as well as the second African American governor ever.



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Ken Blackwell looks to become the first African-American Republican governor

Strickland promises to fix economy and education

By Uzma Shafique
Guest Reporter

Ted Strickland, Democratic nominee for governor of Ohio, has a big lead over his Republican opponent, Kenneth Blackwell, according to polls.

Recent corruption scandals revolving around Republicans in general and specifically around

Republican governor Bob Taft have created a political climate leaning in favor of Democrats.

Though the Iraq war and Bush's declining approval ratings aren't actual issues of concern to a governor's position, this has also helped in creating an advantageous atmosphere for the Democrats.

"It could affect turnout," said Sean Kay, professor of Politics and Government. "Disheartened Republicans for example may decide not to vote."

As for his own plans, Strickland's top priorities deal with education and economy.

Ohio is historically a manufacturing state and is losing jobs rapidly. According to the *Columbus Dispatch*, it ranks 47th in the U.S. for job creation and has lost 72,300 jobs over the past five years.

Strickland's "Turnaround Ohio" plan emphasizes education from early childhood to worker training, so that people do not have to depend on the declining manufacturing industry, and in-

stead can climb up towards new jobs in other fields.

Strickland, 65, serves the U.S. House of Representatives for the 6th Congressional District. On controversial matters, Strickland generally supports abortion though he opposes partial birth abortions. He supports stem cell research with existing embryonic stem cells but he opposes creating embryos for experimentation.

He's one of the nine kids in his family, and is married to an educational psychologist, Frances. He has a doctorate in psychology, has worked as a consulting psychologist and assistant professor, and has taken various positions in children's services and public health psychology.

According to the *Columbus Dispatch* and the Ohio Department of Education, both Strickland and his opponent have not been clear with their position on state funding for education.

In several issues, Strickland comes off as being unclear and

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Don't ignore the third party candidates

Race more than Blackwell v. Strickland

By Andy Hoffman
Guest Reporter

As it usually is, 2006's election for governor of Ohio is dominated by the two major parties, leaving the non-partisan candidates essentially running for third place.

Bill Peirce and running mate Mark Noble and Robert Fitrakis and running mate Anita Rios are on the ballot, as well as write-in candidates Larry Bays and James Lundeen.

With third parties receiving less than three percent of the vote in past elections, it is a wonder why these candidates even run knowing they have no shot of winning, Craig Ramsay, professor of Politics and Government, said.

"Usually people want to run as independents or third party candidates because they want to have their ideas get some attention," he said.

Neither candidate has advertised in local or state media, and they receive little to no news coverage, although the *Columbus Dispatch* did cover them in the Oct. 28 edition.

Most of their advertising is done through word of mouth.

Candidates such as these count on Internet blogs and their websites to spread the word of their

candidacy and platforms.

Junior Matt Murphy said he didn't recognize the names of Peirce and Fitrakis.

"I was unaware that anyone else was even running besides the Democratic candidate Strickland and the Republican candidate Blackwell," he said.

"It is a difficult situation because if someone doesn't agree with either Democratic or Republican views, there is no real alternative."

Freshman Jonathon Hood added, "If you do not vote for one of the main parties, you feel like your vote does not count because these third party candidates have no chance of winning."

Ramsay agreed, stating he doubts that they are a realistic option in the sense they have no chance to win or be influential, but added it was not for him to say.

Libertarian Peirce graduated with a master's degree from Harvard in 1960, and a doctorate from Princeton in 1966.

Peirce is a professor at Case Western Reserve, where he has been since 2002. Peirce has no political experience.

Fitrakis received his master's degree in 1982 and doctorate in

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Ted Strickland, who is running against Ken Blackwell in Tuesday's election.

Impact of minimum raise hike debated

By Eric Stizlein
Guest Reporter

Raising the state minimum wage from \$5.15 to \$6.85, if Issue 2 is approved, is a hotly debated issue of ethics and economics.

Minimum wage is at a 51-year low related to buying power; the minimum wage boost would be a 33 percent increase. The benefits of raising minimum wage are obvious; those people who keep their jobs will have more money. However, the issue is not that simple, according to Economics Professor Robert Gitter.

"Some people would wind up losing their jobs. A firm would just higher fewer workers to do the job," Gitter said.

The amendment would be beneficial to people who have been working minimum wage jobs and

barely getting by. There have been many examples of drawbacks that could occur, but many people feel that other factors such as standard of living and morals need to be weighed when considering this issue.

There are many people in the United States that live below the poverty level and some say not everything that could be done to help these people is being done. Raising the minimum wage could increase the price of consumer goods, but that money would go to workers who would be more capable of supporting themselves and their family.

"I don't have a problem dropping a dime out of my pocket so some kid can eat," junior Jerrell Johnson said.

One viewpoint on the issue is that raising minimum wage would

distribute more money to the lower class and increase the well-being of many people as well as the economy.

"Minimum wage should be raised because that would encourage people to get more jobs, but you shouldn't be making \$7 to flip burgers if I make \$10 to work on a roof," junior Caleb Douce said.

The pay raise may not be going to people who are in poverty. Students make up a large part of the minimum wage work force.

"Eighty percent of those people working minimum wage jobs are not poor," Gitter said. Many minimum wage workers are children of middle or upper class parents, he added. "Why should I pay more money for my ice cream because a doctor's son is making more money?" Gitter asked.

Issue 2 is a proposed consti-

tutional amendment. A majority yes vote would raise the state minimum wage to \$6.85 while a majority no vote would keep the minimum wage at \$5.15 an hour. The proposal would also increase restaurant server's pay from \$2.12 to \$3.43 an hour plus tips.

"Increasing minimum wage would probably have very little impact. If you look at central Ohio, there are not many people working at minimum wage," Gitter said. "It could have a negative impact because it may be unaffordable for businesses to hire and keep less skilled people."

"I am not opposed to giving people more money, but I question whether or not it is a solution to bringing people out of poverty," senior Jon Hollis said.

The amendment would also require employers to keep pay re-

ords for up to three years, which is being debated as an invasion of privacy. People opposed to the issue say that the part of the amendment will cause an uncontrolled release of payroll records.

Constitutional lawyers from Case Western Reserve University and New York University said in *The Columbus Dispatch* that Ohio's amendment contains no requirements different than federal or state laws. Supporters say that the invasion of privacy topic is an effort to draw the attention away from the real issue.

Minimum wage has not been raised in over a decade but the cost of living has increased dramatically.

"It is a political football," Gitter said. "The problem is that people appear to be cruel if they do not approve minimum wage."

Issue 3 is a big gamble

By Sarah Hailey
Guest Reporter

Issue 3 would legalize 31,500 slot machines at two Cleveland casinos and seven horse-racing tracks.

Supporters of this constitutional amendment claim the Greater Cleveland area would gain 10,427 construction jobs and 17,521 permanent jobs, with 30 percent of the revenue going towards Ohio students' college scholarships. Those opposed warn that 109,000 residents would eventually become addicted to gambling.

Learn and Earn is a committee that backs Issue 3. The group says the legalization of these slots would eventually generate an annual \$853 million for college scholarships. Furthermore, they predict that by 2018 every Ohio college-bound student will be covered by scholarships stemming from slot revenue.

Opponents of the amendment said gambling proponents exaggerated how much money will actually go towards college scholarships. The state Office of Budget and Management predicted the slot machines would provide about \$324 million a year for students, less than half of what Learn and Earn projects.

David P. Zanotti, co-Chair of

the *No On Casinos* campaign, said, in the Oct. 24 *Columbus Dispatch*, "The fact is, Issue 3 proponents are asking you to doom your neighbors, fellow Ohioans, to a lifetime of addiction."

Emily Herrold, a sophomore from Upper Arlington, Ohio, says that she plans on voting no for Issue 3.

"Why would I want to help other students get into college?," she asked. "So many more students are going to college now than when my parents were my age, and that only means it is going to be harder for me to get a job. I would rather not assist in allowing another person to take a job I could have had."

Sophomore Andrew Newhouse just returned from a gambling trip in Las Vegas.

"Although I won't get the chance to vote on this issue because I'm not an Ohio resident, I think it would be great for the state's economy. It allows so many jobs that wouldn't be available otherwise, and would add a lot to the tourism factor. I guess that it would create a lot of scholarship money as well, and you can't argue with that."

In the *Ohio Learn and Earn Factbook*, it is stated that 30 percent of the slot revenue will go toward college tuition grant

funds. One percent will go towards gambling addiction services, which is a big concern for those who oppose the passing of Issue 3. The rest of the revenue would go to the slot machine operators.

It is predicted that the Learn and Earn casinos will create at least 109,000 new gambling addicts. Opponents also warn that a Yes vote on Issue 3 would put Ohio into a Class III gambling state, which makes it easier for Indian casinos to open in the state.

Michael B. Coleman, the mayor of Columbus, said in the Oct. 19 *Columbus Dispatch*, "I don't call it the Learn and Earn. I call it 'Greed and Burn.' Who's getting burned? The taxpayer." Sixty-one percent of the slot profits would end up in the hands of the owners of the gambling sites. Coleman points out that initially only 5 percent of profits would be going to the top 5 percent of students, and not the students who really need the financial help. He says, "Of the top 5 percent of students, how many of them get scholarships anyways?" Coleman also points out that primary and secondary education won't see a penny.

Proponents of Issue 3 have spent \$19.5 million on the campaign, and opponents have spent \$701,000, according to *The Columbus Dispatch*.

Voting Information

All precincts are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday. If you are in line when the precinct closes, then you are allowed to vote. All voters must bring a photo identification or a document verifying their address. If you live off campus or are unsure about anything, call the Delaware County Board of Elections at (740) 833-2080.

Precinct 2E votes at William Street United Methodist Church 28 W. William St.

School Residences in Precinct 2E:
All Fraternities except Chi Phi
SLUs not on Rowland Ave.

Hayes
Smith
Stuy
Thompson
Welch

Austin Manner is in Precinct 2D and votes at Valley View Friends Church 868 W. William St.

Chi Phi is in Precinct 4C and votes at Mingo Park, 500 E. Lincoln Ave.

Precinct 2F votes at the Zion A.M.E. Church, 140 S. Washington St..

School Residences in Precinct 2F:
The House of Thought
Creative Arts Houses
Modern Foreign Language House
Women's House

Smoke Less Ohio to reduce indoor smoking

By Trent VanHaitsma
Guest Reporter

Issue 4 is a proposed constitutional amendment that would allow certain public places, bowling alleys, bars and restaurants to allow their customers/employees the right to smoke tobacco.

This amendment would override any current laws that prohibit smoking in those certain places and would prevent the adoption of future laws that would restrict smoking in these places.

This proposal would ban smok-

ing in 90 percent of businesses in Ohio and businesses that qualify for smoking can still choose to be smoke-free.

Issue 4 is a start for banning smoking in public places; the places listed by the amendment are children-free too. Smoke Less Ohio, a group that supports Issue 4, says it insures people's freedom of choice in the future and lets them decide whether or not they want to smoke.

With the help of Issue 4, businesses that allow smoking will not be affected from future bans

such as Issue 5, which aims to ban smoking in all public places.

"Business will remain the same. We have both smoking and non-smoking areas for customers," said Brown Jug owner Ed Wolf.

However, the passing of Issue 4 could create uneven playing fields for restaurants. Food sales may not exceed 60 percent of total revenue. Restaurants that serve food only, such as the Hamburger Inn in downtown Delaware, will have to prohibit smoking. This could drive customers

to other restaurants that have smoking facilities and would diminish business.

According to the American Cancer Society, 53,000 Americans die yearly from cancer or other diseases caused by secondhand smoke.

The constitutional amendment will wipe away any smoke free legislation throughout the state and means that 21 communities in Ohio will lose their smoke free laws that are already in place.

"I think everyone has the right

to breathe clean air in public places and at work," said Marsha Tilden, director of student health services at OWU.

If Issue 4 were passed, then Issue 5 would be thrown out. The only way to change the ruling of Issue 4 would be to propose another amendment, which could be very difficult.

Proponents of Issue 4 have spent \$9.7 million on its campaign, including \$5.4 million from the R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., according to *The Columbus Dispatch*.

Smoke Free Ohio to ban smoking inside buildings

By Dante Santino
Guest Reporter

Issue 5, the proposed law on Tuesday's ballot that would prohibit smoking in most public places, as well as places of employment, will have a dramatic impact on the state of Ohio.

Smoke Free Ohio is a campaign by the American Cancer Society (ACS) in alliance with the American Heart Association, the American Lung Association and many other major health organizations.

Issue 5 is both similar and different from Issue 4, a constitu-

tional amendment which would provide fewer smoking restrictions.

Issue 4, also known as Smoke Less Ohio, would allow smoking in restaurants and other public places, such as bars and bowling alleys.

If both pass, then Issue 4 would prevail because of its amendment status. This would mean that it would take a future constitutional amendment to enact public smoking restrictions.

Sheri Richardson, the central Ohio public relations director for the ACS, feels that Smoke Less

Ohio is trying to confuse voters. "RJ Reynolds has tried to create confusion with Issue 4, because they sound so similar. We are trying to educate people on the importance of voting yes on Issue 5 and no on Issue 4," Richardson said.

Smoke Free Ohio's main objective is to protect the public's health. "Our main objective is to protect the health of children, seniors, people with health problems and all people in general. Smoking is extremely dangerous because it causes lung cancer. The Smoke Free Ohio campaign protects the

right to breathe clean air," Richardson said.

Marsha Tilden, director of student health services, feels that Smoke Free Ohio is the proper health initiative.

"The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has found that even short-term exposure to secondhand smoke can increase the risk of cancer, heart disease and lung disease. According to the ACS, 53,000 Americans die yearly from cancer, or other diseases caused by secondhand smoke," Tilden said.

"I think everyone has the right

to breathe clean air in public places and at work. The CDC has reported that non-smokers who work in smoky places are 34 percent more likely to get lung cancer than those who work in non-smoking environments," Tilden said.

About \$1.8 million has been spent on the campaign by proponents of Issue 5, according to *The Columbus Dispatch*.

The differences between Issues 4 and 5 cause concern among supporters of Issue V.

"One of the big differences is

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Shamanski attempts to win his seat back

By Nelson Mandrell
Guest Reporter

After being the only Democrat to beat a Republican incumbent during the 1980 Congressional election, Bob Shamanski is once again running for the a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives.

In the 12th district of central Ohio, which is considered moderately conservative Republican, according to Professor Craig Ramsay, chair of the politics and government department, a second Shamanski victory may seem unlikely this November. Pat Tiberi, the three-term Republican incumbent, has been voted into office with comfortable majorities of 64 and 62 percent during the last two elections in 2002 and 2004 respectively.

The prospect of running against the odds is not something new for Shamanski. When elected in 1980 he was the first Democrat to serve

Ohio's 12th district since 1937.

"Shamanski won back in the 80's in a district that used to be even more Republican than the current 12th district," Ramsay said. "On top of that he has more name recognition and more campaign funding than Tiberi's previous candidates."

While Tiberi has been enjoying comfortable margins of victory, the actual party breakdown of the 12th district may be much more even. During the 2004 election President Bush won with a slim majority of 51 to 49 percent.

Shamanski is running a campaign that may lead to one of the closest races seen in the 12th district during the past decade. According to his website, Shamanski is challenging Tiberi with a platform focused on ending the war in Iraq and eliminating the special interests of big business that have prevented real health-care, prescription drug and con-

gressional ethics reform.

"Tiberi's rubber stamping of the Bush administration's policies has really hurt him. People are getting fed up with the government looking out for the special interests of big business," said Matt Greene, president of the College Democrats.

Shamanski's platform also calls for increased fiscal responsibility within Congress. According to his website, Shamanski will call for an end to the growing debt resulting from the war in Iraq as well as tax cuts for the higher income brackets. He claims that this and a lack of education, science and research funding threaten America's economic future and the country's ability to compete in the global economy.

Greene, a sophomore politics and government major, feels that while Shamanski's opponent has attempted to make his age, 79, an issue, it will not be much of a fac-

tor in the election.

"Shamanski is a vigorous guy. The only problem with his age is in the sense that he ran so long ago and people will not remember him as well," Ramsay said. "The main concern of the people is that the war in Iraq isn't going well. We are losing good people and money."

Ramsay said the growing negative sentiment for the war in Iraq, scandals involving prominent Republican Congressmen such as Mark Foley and Bob Ney, as well as the fact that the President's party typically loses seats in a mid-term election, have all made it a good year to be a Democrat.

"Tiberi has never been tested in this way. It's a midterm election with a president who has created an issue he can't do much about," Ramsay said. "There is disagreement between professionals on how close this race is but personally, my gut feeling is that Sha-

manski will do much better than Tiberi's previous opponents."

"A lot of people have been trying to write off Shamanski but I definitely think he has a chance. You can't rule out anything in politics," said Greene.



www.shamanski4congress.com

Bob Shamanski is running against Pat Tiberi for the 12th Congressional District.

Conservative Tiberi fights to remain in his seat

By Leah Johnson
Guest Reporter

Republican Pat Tiberi, incumbent 12th district congressman representing Delaware, is running to earn his fourth term in Tuesday's election.

Although he has served three terms, the race is not sealed for Tiberi. In 2004 Tiberi beat Democrat Ed Brown 62 percent to 38 percent. Historically, the current president's party loses some seats during the mid-term election.

Tiberi is classified as a libertarian conservative, according to On the Issues, a website devoted to providing voters with non-partisan information about elec-



Photo from tiberi.house.gov

Pat Tiberi (R) hopes to keep his seat in the House of Representatives.

tions.

A libertarian represents a candidate who "believes in personal responsibility for financial matters, and that free-market competition is better for people than central planning by the government." A conservative candidate is defined as someone who "believes that standards of morality and safety should be enforced by government."

Hot topics for this year's election are wide ranged, but many voters are concerned about their candidate's view on Iraq, said Craig Ramsay, professor of politics and government.

Tiberi voted yes to authorizing military force in Iraq, as well

as declaring Iraq part of the War on Terror with no exit date.

"Iraq is hurting Tiberi more than any other issue," Ramsay said. "Tiberi won't likely be hurt by recent GOP scandals because he is not in a leadership position for his party."

Tiberi voted to make the Patriot Act permanent, and voted yes on a Constitutional Amendment banning same-sex marriage.

Tiberi voted to pass the Bush Administration's national energy policy, voted yes on expediting the approval of forest thinning projects, and voted yes on de-authorizing "critical habitat" for endangered species.

On health and abortion issues,

Tiberi has consistently voted to ban partial-birth abortion except to save the mother's life, voted to forbid human cloning for reproduction and medical research, and against allowing stem cell research.

Tiberi's race could be a close, Ramsay said, as Delaware County's presidential party division in 2004 was split 51 percent George W. Bush, 49 percent John Kerry.

Senior Jason Ramsey, a politics and government major, feels that this election will probably go to Tiberi.

"[Bob] Shamanski doesn't have a bad campaign, but Delaware is a very conservative area," he said.

Issue 5

that Smoke Free Ohio is a proposed law and Smoke Less Ohio is a proposed constitutional amendment. A law can be changed at a later point, where a constitutional amendment can be very difficult to change. If passed the constitutional amendment will wipe away any smoke-free legislation throughout the state, meaning 21 communities in Ohio will lose their smoke free laws that are already in place," Tilden said.

Not everyone is in favor of the potential anti-smoking laws. Ed Paxton, owner of Woodland Cigar Co. does not support Issue 5. "I think Issue 4 is a common sense approach to it. Allow adults to make adult decisions. They should allow people to smoke in bars, and they should let small business owners make their own decisions," Paxton said.

Opponents of Issue 5 feel that Smoke Free Ohio would be taking away an individual's rights and freedoms.

"I personally don't like cigarette smoke in my face, but I don't think it's right that people are imposing their moral judgment on everybody else. Issue 5 is big

brother telling you what to do. Next thing you know there will be an Issue 6 restricting fast food," Paxton said.

Ed Wolf, owner of The Brown Jug Restaurant, feels that Issue 5 could affect his business. "I personally feel that businesses should be able to make their own decisions. However, as long as we all have to do it, it will keep a level playing field, and we'll adjust," Wolf said.

Wolf also noted that Issue 5 has both pros and cons for businesses.

"Right now we have smoking and non-smoking sections. The smoking section is often under-utilized, so in that aspect Issue 5 would be a positive. However, we have a bar, and smoking goes with drinking. That means every time someone wants a cigarette, they will have to go out of their way to find a place to smoke, and that negatively affects my customers. I remember when I was young, people smoked everywhere. The world is changing. Fifteen years ago no one would have ever imagined this," Wolf said.

Strickland

vague on how he wants to go about doing things. For example, he supports reducing reliance on local property taxes but he doesn't actually tell us how he plans to do that, whereas Blackwell does. This can be seen as a weakness, but with enough support already, it can also work as a strength as a moderate.

"Strickland's greatest strength is that he's considered to be more

a moderate, and I think there's a sense that he could be a uniter as opposed to a divider and could work well with both parties," said Michael Esler, professor of Politics and Government. This could possibly be a part of his campaign strategy, as he has a lead and not taking a strong stance can save him attacks from Republicans.

As for Strickland's opponent, Esler says, "Blackwell is viewed as

an extremist and ideological even for Republicans," so that adds on yet another advantage.

Esler also thinks Strickland's pro-gun position, though rare for a Democrat, is attractive for Republicans. Furthermore, as Republicans tend to be comparatively more on the religious side, Strickland's associate minister position at the Trinity Methodist Church should also help him.

Third Party



Photo from www.bobforohio.com

Robert Fitrakis, the Green Party's candidate.

1990 from Wayne State University. Fitrakis received a law degree from The Ohio State University in 2002.

Fitrakis has been a professor at Columbus State Community College since 1987 and was also an instructor at Wayne State University from 1979-1986.

Unlike Peirce, Fitrakis does have political experience.

Fitrakis was on the Democratic Party Platform Committee in 1992. Fitrakis is a member of the Near East Area Commission, advising Columbus City Council since 2003.

As for as their platforms, Peirce advocates a three-step plan for a better Ohio.

Step one involves lifting the roadblocks to growth. Peirce wants to eliminate all tax increases and limit growth of state spending to no more than the change in population plus inflation.

In his second step, Peirce wants to protect private property.

Peirce aims to protect homes, businesses and farms from eminent domain. He wants to forbid the government from taking land to build shopping malls and parking lots.

Thirdly, Peirce aims to improve education by allowing parental and school choice in education by providing a \$3,000 state grant to any school chosen by parents to instruct their child.

Fitrakis' platforms centers on cleaning up the alleged corruption that surrounds the two major parties.

Fitrakis has been endorsed by the Green Party.

On his website, Fitrakis said "The goal of my campaign will be to win the Governors mansion back from the people of Ohio."

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Bill Pierce, a member of the Libertarian Party, is running for governor



VOTE!

The Transcript staff encourages everyone to vote on Tuesday, November 7.



Opinion



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To maintain an open forum for the discussion of campus issues.

To educate students working on the staff in the procedures of a working newspaper and provide them with journalism experience.



Line 'em up

by Ben Walkuski

How old would you be if you didn't know how old you were?

-Satchel Paige

Call the nursing home; tell them to make room for one more. There'd better be a seat for me at the 4:30 dinner, too; I want my pureed peas, beef broth, and decaf coffee. Oh, and heads will roll if there isn't a recliner with my name on it when *Wheel of Fortune* and *Jeopardy* come on.

Why all the old man talk, you ask? You see, I turn 22 next week. And, according to American culture, that makes me one old man.

At first I brushed all of this off; after all, twenty-two didn't seem that old to me. But after some careful reflection, I've realized that I actually sort of am an old man.

Here is my life...proof that I am, indeed, like, 90 years old:

I am grumpy when I don't get my sleep; I also nap.

I have 17 pairs of glasses yet I can't see a thing.

It takes me *for-e-ver* to get ready in the morning, partially due to the fact that I often fall asleep in my shower chair.

I drive awkwardly slow, which can be explained by the fact that I rarely know where I'm going, can't see much at night, and am paranoia-central about getting pulled over by the cops; it also takes me four to seven tries to park adequately into a normal (non-parallel) parking space.

I am cheap yet ridiculously extravagant; I will reuse a plastic spoon three or four times to eat my applesauce (yes, check my

fridge, the only thing in there is applesauce) but I will also pay to have my car washed every week and go to a salon just to get a buzz cut.

My language is inappropriate for most situations; I don't know how to speak quietly and I swear in front of small children and clergy people regularly.

The earlier I can be in bed, the better.

I prefer to be highly medicated than to tolerate real people and real life.

I am grumpy when I do get my sleep.

I must be tan at all times, whether this involves going to Florida, taking a cruise, or laying in a tanning bed.

My disrespect for my lungs is only surpassed by my disrespect for my liver.

I go to dinner theatre. And I enjoy it.

I weigh myself on the scale that is under my bed peculiarly often.

I carry my medication with me wherever I go.

I read the newspaper, do the crossword puzzle, cut out the crossword puzzle, and save it so I can compare it with the solution in tomorrow's paper.

I have "my programs" on TV and don't want anything else because the rest of it is all crap.

My teeth are real but I suspect they won't be for long.

Come Nov. 5, I'll be the hunched-over gentleman wearing the Velcro shoes and carrying a cane—with which you will probably see me hitting kittens and puppies. Wish me a happy birthday, why don't you; it might be my last.

Editorials

Voting is more important than marking boxes

Only 50 percent of people get out and vote. That's pretty ridiculous considering voting is the main way we, the lowly, unheard and thus cynical, stimulate change in our government.

We can't really complain about the state of our country—we made it that way. Our votes, or lack thereof, put the characters in office who have molded this country's policy for the last two years. If you don't like what they're doing, change it. Vote. Vote the incumbent out of office who takes his position for granted and has stopped listening to his constituents. Vote for who or what you want—if you like the incumbent, keep him in office. It's your choice and your move.

And don't say it's inconvenient. The polls open at 6:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m. That's 13 hours to do something that will take probably an hour, max. It's cheesy, but voting is our civic duty. Where have our priorities gone if we automatically take an hour out of our Thursday to watch *Grey's Anatomy*, but can't spare the same amount of time to help determine the next two years for not only our country, but all those that hang on the whims of our foreign policy?

Once we've voted, the rest is left to chance—we can't determine who's going to vote and how they vote. But we have to trust our system. And no, it hasn't failed us in the past; we've failed ourselves by not exercising both our right and duty to get to the polls. So just do it. Get out and vote.

Disconcerting disconnections

The network is beginning to become annoying again.

For those who don't experience the network disruptions, consider yourself lucky. The interruptions are truly random, from when they happen to their severity.

There are many steps in the process from getting data from the Internet to our specific computers. We believe InfoSys is trying to find the problem in the maze of switches and routers.

Homework assignments that are supposed to take 20 minutes end up taking twice as long. AIM loses its appeal of being able to instantly respond to your friends or family.

If InfoSys has done something in the past few weeks, they've only worsened the problem, not helped it. If they haven't, then it could get a whole lot worse.

Everyone can agree that the network has progressed by leaps and bounds in the past four years. The network would sometimes shut down on Friday or Saturday and not be restored until sometime Monday, leaving students to scramble to access some resources. However, that doesn't make up for these problems.

Jason LaMar, director of Information Services, summed it up perfectly when he said the Internet is now a utility.

We hope that InfoSys figures out the solution to this problem soon.

Letters to the Editor

Social change comes from rallies

Dear Editor,

In last week's *Transcript* article "WCSA rejects plea for SLU protest trip," Robert Haddad is quoted as saying, "Mission trips do a service, (whereas) a protest isn't a service to society." This statement came as a shock because, as a student of history and a member of today's society with an, at least, basic knowledge of our country's social past, I know that protests and demonstrations have played a huge role in the development of our so-called equal society.

I'd like to draw Mr. Haddad's attention, and that of any others who may share his viewpoint, to a number of important historical

and contemporary social movements whose products we now take for granted, but for which thousands of people demonstrated and agitated to realize.

The most prominent campaigns (which *immediately* come to mind) include the Women's Liberation Movement, the Civil Rights movement, efforts for farm workers and immigrant rights, the formation of labor unions, mobilization for disabled rights, and AIDS activism and awareness.

I challenge anyone to argue that unified and persistent actions by normal people did not play an essential role in each of these courageous efforts.

I encourage Mr. Haddad, and everyone, to revisit our country's past and appreciate the power of grassroots undertakings, as it has been evidenced again and again, and the voice that such efforts have given to concerns and people not heard loudly or immediately enough in 'the system' of politics. The use of large group mobilization on important issues has been used effectively all over the world, and is a powerful alternative to violence... and indifference.

Sincerely,
 Amanda Masters ('08),
 House of Peace & Justice,
 Moderator

Students spend money wisely

Dear Editor,

In the article found in last week's *Transcript*, "WCLA rejects plea for SLU protest trip," Robert Haddad justified providing money for mission trips and not for protest rallies by stating that, "mission trips make Ohio Wesleyan look good."

I am personally offended that money is being selected or denied for student projects primarily based on a public relations perspective. Furthermore, if good press is what OWU is so concerned about, the protest and social justice workshop that money was requested for would have created great PR. By demonstrating our commitment to action, awareness, and involvement on human rights issues, we would be further

demonstrating the cultural sensitivity and awareness that makes us one of the most multi-cultural and diverse liberal arts colleges in the country.

I also think that WCSA and all members of the Ohio Wesleyan community should be more sensitive to misconceptions about what a protest rally actually consists of. Many people outside of our University have the very same misconceptions about our mission trips which money is allocated for. "Mission trips" are generally associated with extreme religious overtones and forcing religion on those who are less unfortunate in exchange for essential supplies which they need to live. Our trips are far from that and actually provide wonderful services for

communities across the globe. In the same context, a protest rally doesn't consist of defying the law and creating chaos in the hopes of spreading a message. Almost all of these rallies are peaceful, productive, and create a strong message which political leaders take notice of.

I urge WCSA to not only reconsider their stance of providing money based on what generates good press, but to do research on this protest rally so they can realize how much good it would create on a national and global level.

Sincerely,
 McCarton Ackerman ('08)
 International House Member

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Opinion



A time to cry, a time to smile

Agencies bring sorrow and joy



Graphic by Meghan Hensley

I am working on two stories and both have made me cry.

One is dealing with an accident that took the life of a 24-year-old man, who by all accounts had the world in front of him and an amazing support group of friends and family behind him. That support network is searching for answers in his hit-and-run accident. The police are doing nothing to help them. It makes me want to cry from sadness.

The other is dealing with an agency called New York Foundling, which takes in abused children and works with families to prevent child abuse as well. I visited there today and the kids are so amazing, cute and wonderful and their stories are so sad, but the agency is so amazing that it makes me want to cry tears of joy.

I hope with all my heart that the power of my pen can help one family find closure or another to

find help for their children.

Journalists have such power, especially in a place like New York. We control what information the public gets or doesn't get. We can keep a dying issue alive, or we can kill a career.

So while weeks dwindle by and the novelty of New York wears off, I still find that I'm enthralled by my job.

My mind is getting used to being in twelve places at once, and my body has become accustomed to the constant bombardment of advertisements. I'm doing well on money, and I'm slowly overcoming my fear of birds. Life is good in New York.

Although, I'm pretty sure I'm going to walk out in front of cars in Ohio and die when I get back. Meghan said I'll have to walk with her everywhere, but I vaguely recall me stopping her from walking into oncoming traffic before, too.

I can't wait to come back. I have never felt so at home and safe in any other place in the world — which is strange, considering that people are shot, stabbed, and robbed everyday and planes crash into buildings and cause panic throughout the city.



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My extraordinary resume

My first job came at age 15 working at Shroyer's Plant Nursery next door to my house. I was paid \$4.25 an hour, in cash, with no taxes since it was of agricultural purpose. Most of it consisted of watering every plant in the facility—13 greenhouses and the open-air section out front.

When I wasn't watering, I was walking around the open-air section tending to plants and customers in any way I could. I would field questions like, "How much sun does this one take?" or "How often should I water this?"

Knowing that all plants probably needed at least an average amount of sun and water, I would usually answer, "A good amount."

People were generally receptive to this response. I was not asked back the following summer.

My second job came at age 16 with LaRosa's, a popular pizza chain in Cincinnati. My official position was cook, but *sauce bitch* would have worked as well.

I was the guy in the chain who grabbed the pre-made crust from the fridge and spread the sauce around with it, then sent it on down the line.

On one particular exciting night, completely zombied-out from a day of sauce spreading, I allowed a small amount of slobber to fall from my mouth onto the dough. No one had noticed so I swiftly spread the sauce over the slobber and continued on.

At the end of the night, I was the one to mop the floor. I remember my Mom waiting by the counter for me to finish and my boss saying to her, "He's a really good mopper." I was fired from LaRosa's af-

ter three months.

At the age of 17, my buddy and I decided to apply at Pier One Imports, with the idea that we would meet a lot of girls, because we knew girls liked to shop, and there were things at Pier One to buy.

Soon after employment, we realized that unless we were turned on by materialistic, condescending, forty-something housewives with nothing better to do than find matching wine rings for their Thanksgiving dinner table runner, we were in the wrong place.

The mental scars I suffered during this period still show to this day. I still breakdown and cry when I see an ottoman. My buddy and I would pass the times planning the perfect robbery of Pier One and playing hide and seek after closing time when the manager was in the back going through the transaction papers. Once, I hid in an entertainment center. The store eventually went through a managerial change and we needed a scenery change. Goodbye Pier One.

My fourth job, which I worked every summer in college, was at Glenview Golf Course in the maintenance and grounds department. Highlights from this job include turning water sprinklers on fellow workers and golfers, riding around dirt paths in club cars all day, getting hit in the back with a golf ball on my last day of work and saving the life of an ignorant rookie worker named Chaz by helping to push a large piece of machinery off him after he had flipped it over.

And now, I await graduation, unsure of my future in the work force, but at the same time, not too worried.



Jerome in your home

by Jerome Stenger



Cheers

Elections:

It's the one time when individuals have the biggest impact on politics

St. Louis Cardinals:

Congratulations on your first World Series win since 1982, and proving that the NL is not an inferior league.

The Internet:

A recent report found that there are now 100 million web-sites.

Jeers

Ann Coulter:

You are a political analyst, you should know where you're supposed to vote.

Network Interruptions:

While often not a huge problem, they can be very irritating.

People who don't vote:

Probably the same people who complain at McDonalds when their burger isn't medium rare.

Letter to the Editor

Jerome was onto something

Editor's Note: The following letter is a humorous response, written by Marie Rymut, to last week's Jerome in Your Home column in which Jerome Stenger humorously charged her with rigging the Homecoming Queen election.

Dear Editor,

I am writing in regards to last week's column by my beloved and valued constituent Jerome "in your home" Stenger.

Sir, I am most offended by your recent allegations regarding the most successful Homecoming celebration that dear sweet Ohio Wesleyan has ever known, naturally thanks to me. As the most exalted and glorious Homecoming Queen, that's me, as well as the leading student representative

of my campus, I felt that I needed to respond to your inappropriate mud raking and propaganda campaign which I refuse to allow to continue.

Though, Mr. Stenger, you do speak the truth and I have finally gotten what I wanted. Since freshmen year, I have been plotting of ways to finally get that sliver tiara. Naturally, I felt that by dedicating my life to student government I would be able to shake hands and kiss babies up to the top.

I was then able to successfully disband President's Club and create my own Selfish Homecoming Organization to nominate and elect myself Homecoming Queen.

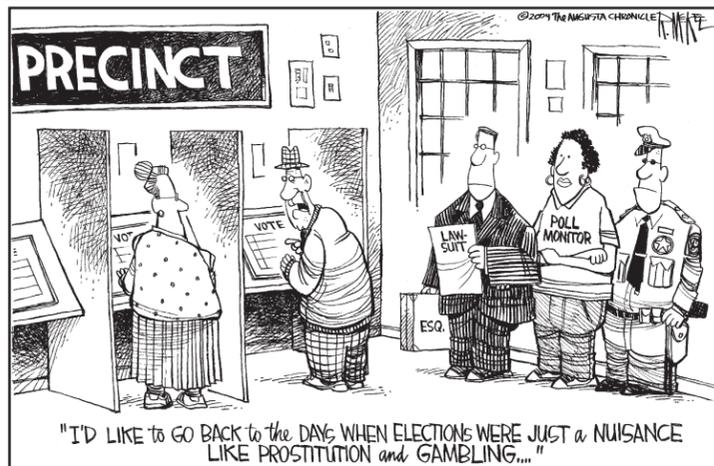
After my life goal had been accomplished, I was going to drop out of WCSA and school altogether, however, you, Mr. Stenger, have waged a battle.

As the Queen of Ohio Wesleyan University it is both my duty and prerogative to censure you officially. As this is a private institution, "free speech," as you and your people refer to it as, is not a right.

I am Ohio Wesleyan and Mr. Stenger, you are under my jurisdiction. If you continue this foolish smear campaign you will find official sanctions placed upon you and your column, if that rag can even be labeled as such.

I would think carefully before you embark on your next unholy quest, as I forbid it as you better and superior. As for your band, do not expect a check in the mail. Good day sir.

Sincerely,
Marie Rymut ('07)



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Entrepreneurs join OWU club community

By Jacqueline Coffey
Staff Reporter

There has been a recent addition to Ohio Wesleyan's student clubs and organizations this semester: The Entrepreneurship Club.

Senior Chad Pouliot, economics major and president of the entrepreneurship club, said he wanted to start a club that would give students the opportunity to develop the necessary tools needed to build a solid foundation and understanding of how to create and run a business successfully.

"Our mission as an organization is to create an energetic and vibrant group of future entrepreneurs that will work together to formulate business ideas, and learn more about what it takes to start your own business," Pouliot said. "We will not only discuss our ideas and aspirations, but rather put them into motion by acquiring the necessary resources and tools."

Senior Farrukh Mushtaq is the club's vice president and John D.

Boos, professor of management and director of the Woltemede Center, is its advisor.

The club, which met Tuesday, already has over 20 members and organizers hope to double that number by the next meeting.

Pouliot said it's important to emphasize that the entrepreneurship club is not just for economics majors.

"This club is open to any student from any major on campus," he said, "In particular those students who share similar entrepreneurial mind sets can collaborate and come up with creative business ventures and learn how to put their ideas into motion."

Pouliot said the entrepreneurship club will provide OWU students both with the information and contacts necessary to make their entrepreneurial visions a reality.

"We hope to organize visits to trade shows and expos in the upcoming months," Pouliot said. "We also will organize training courses, workshops, and business proposal competitions; acknowledging entrepreneurs who show

significant potential."

The entrepreneurship club has set these goals:

- Build an entrepreneurial support network among OWU students by developing a resource for business connections, creative ideas, real-world knowledge and networking experience;

- Foster leadership and practical business skills among OWU students;

- Organize talks and lectures with some of the most successful business leaders, through collaboration with the Woltemede Center, the Alumni Board, and corporate participants;
- Promote networking between individual members who can collaborate and exchange ideas.

"One of the most rewarding things in life is to successfully create and run your own business," Pouliot said. "We will give you the necessary foundation to live up to those aspirations."

For anyone interested in joining the club or learning more about it, there will be another meeting noon on Tuesday, Nov. 14 in Corns 202.

Ski club returns in time for winter

By Matt Patrick
Staff Reporter

The ski club returns to OWU this winter and plans to provide transportation and financial aid for students at Mad River Mountain.

Freshman Jeffrey Thongsawath, ski club president, funding will cover some or even all of the season pass/rental equipment costs.

"We are hoping WCSA will approve our budget and help with the rental price of equipment and lessons," Thongsawath said.

Thongsawath said OWU vans will not be used for transportation.

"Driving conditions in snowy weather aren't very safe," said Thongsawath. "We want to charter buses each week, however, we are not sure if funding will allow it."

The Ski Club's home resort is Mad River Mountain. Thongsawath said he is in the early stages of planning a bigger trip out of state, or to Canada.

"Our best choice is Mad River Mountain," said Thongsawath. "We definitely don't have mountains like Colorado, Utah, or any place in Europe but Mad River is only 40 miles away."

Sophomore Stephen Menzies said the snow at Mad River is pretty good.

"It's a small mountain but they have good snow, bundles of snow bunnies, and I love to go out on a Sunday and hit some rails," said Menzies. "They also have a bar."

Thongsawath said he thinks everyone should have the chance to experience skiing and snow-

boarding.

"I love to ski and I thought it was a shame our school didn't have a ski club," said Thongsawath. "We just selected our officers and are currently working out plans for the ski season."

Thongsawath said there has been a great response for the club so far.

"We have 34 people interested in our club," said Thongsawath. "I wasn't expecting that much, because the advisor from a couple years ago said the OWU student body didn't have much interest in skiing."

For students wanting to participate, a season pass will cost \$249.00, ski rental with a pass will cost \$338.00. Students wanting equipment and lessons it will cost \$388.00. Thongsawath said these prices are expected to decrease.

Senior Garret Shipley said he to Mad River frequently.

"I used to go snowboarding about every three days last year," said Shipley. "The park is a lot better than the actual mountain though. If you haven't skied before and want to learn it's a good place."

Shipley said they always have snow but it's pretty cold in the winter.

"They make snow the whole time," said Shipley. "They also have a half pipe, however it wasn't open last year."

Shipley said the mountain is usually empty during the day and busiest at night because they have night skiing.

For more information on the Ski Club e-mail Jeffrey Thongsawath at jjthongs@owu.edu.

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Bishops Sports



Photo by Ryan Kim

Senior Brandon Bianco blows past an Allegheny defender. The Bishops suffered their first loss of the season to the Tigers last night losing in penalty kicks 4-3. The loss severely hurt the Bishops' chances of making the NCAA tournament. See story page 12.

Volleyball advances to NCAC playoffs

The volleyball team clinched a spot in the NCAC tournament when they defeated Oberlin Saturday in four sets, losing the first set but then rallying to easily win the last three, according to OWU online. The scores were 25-30, 30-17, 30-13, and 30-17.

The win put the Bishops in fourth place, which qualifies them for the NCAC tournament.

The team will travel to Wittenberg Friday to play the number one seeded Tigers in the semifinal match.

The winner of that game will play the winner of the Hiram-Denison match for the NCAC title and a bid to the NCAA championship.

The Bishops played Case Reserve after their Oberlin game and capped off their regular season play by winning in three straight sets, 30-25, 30-20, 30-26.

Against Oberlin, sophomore Shea Pence and junior Stefanie McCoy had 13 kills and junior Steffi Graf had 12. Pence also had 28 assists 4 blocks and 21 digs.

Against Case Reserve, Graf had 14 kills and a team high 25 digs. Senior Carly Palmer tallied 11 kills for the Bishops.

Senior Brittany McDaniel had 41 assists and senior Megan Margala had a team high 6 blocks.



Club Hockey

Team has trouble adapting to new hockey league

By Matt Patrick
Staff Reporter

The Hockey Club is 0-3 this year after joining the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA), a league with over 150 teams in three divisions.

Senior Chris Guglielmi said they are playing a lot better teams than in years past.

"This has been a big step for our team," said Guglielmi. "We are slowly being recognized as a legitimate, organized team."

Among sports groups receiving funding from WCSA, club ice hockey received the most money this year at \$10,000. The closest behind them is women's rugby at \$6,664.

Guglielmi said they have had a couple losses because they are in a new league, and he expects this to change.

"We need to develop the team a little more," said Guglielmi. "We're still a young squad coming together and we have enough skill and enthusiasm to be a good

team."

Guglielmi said they will be facing much better teams this year than in the past.

"The ACHA brings together most major club hockey teams from across the country in three divisions," said Guglielmi.

"This includes Ohio University which is in D-1. We're in D-3 right now."

Sophomore Alexander Schmidt said coaching has been a problem for the team over the years.

"We've had a different coach for every year," said Schmidt. "We need someone to step up and take an extended interest in the team."

Schmidt said the practice hours are also at difficult times.

"We practice twice a week very late at night," said Schmidt. "We have trouble getting kids to practice because the only ice time we can afford is around 11 p.m."

Club hockey alumnus Jay Lammers ('05) said he is glad to hear where the program is headed.

"It seems to be good for the program's name and marketability for the school to have joined this league," Lammers said.

Lammers currently lives in Cleveland and occasionally plays games with the team.

"[When playing] I liked how at the drop of a hat, we could get 10-12 guys to jump in a couple of cars with their gear, drive three hours to Kentucky and play a hockey game," said Lammers.

"Regardless of the outcome I'd have an absolute blast."

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Bishops Sports



Men's Soccer

Fourth ranked Bishops fall to Gators

By Ted Thode
Staff Reporter

For the second time in two years, the Bishops have gone into playoff competition and lost in the first round.

Last night, the fourth ranked Bishops lost to unranked Allegheny in penalty kicks 4-3 in the NCAC semifinal playoff game at Roy Rike Field.

As soon as the game started it was clear it would be a tough defensive battle. Early in the first half neither team could gain an advantage.

At the 10 minute mark, senior Craig Neal had an open shot at the top of the box but his shot sailed wide.

A minute later, Allegheny tried to clear the ball, but it was recovered by junior Nick Skoczen who took an open shot but the ball went straight to the Allegheny goalie.

At the 32 minute mark, the Gators had their chance to score when junior Andrew Stutzman was fouled and they were awarded an indirect kick within striking distance of OWU's net. But the kick went into the OWU wall.

In the second half, neither team was able to create solid scoring chances, with both sides playing solid defense.

In the last minute of the half, the Bishops were able to create the only real scoring chance of the half when senior Tim Kelly crossed a ball to sophomore Dan Bryan whose shot was blocked by the Gator defense.

In overtime neither team was



Photo by Ryan Kim

Senior Craig Neal heads the ball at the Allegheny goal as teammates Jeff Sullivan and Tim Kelly look on. Allegheny handed the Bishops their first loss of the season last night at the NCAC semifinal game, losing in penalty kicks 4-3.

able to score, so penalty kicks were needed to decide the game.

Allegheny was first to shoot. Junior Jeremy Garbutt shot the ball into the left corner of the net, just out of the reach of Dague.

Senior Nick Markovich hammered his shot straight into the net for the Bishops.

In the second round, Allegheny junior Eric Sloan had his shot denied by Dague. The Bishop celebration was brief as senior Brandon Bianco's shot was stopped by Allegheny keeper Ryan Larkin.

The next two rounds Gator junior Bob Del Gresco and senior

Chris Fedele both made their shots as did Neal and Skoczen for OWU.

In the final round, Stutzman fired his shots into the right corner of the net, giving Allegheny the lead. Kelly was the fifth and final shooter for the Bishops. He fired a shot into the corner but Larkin was able to make a diving save to secure the win for the Gators.

Coach Jay Martin said he thought the team played well but could not find a way to score, something they have struggled with all season.

"You aren't going to lose any games if you don't give up any goals, but you aren't going to win any games either [if you don't score]." Martin said.

Martin said he does not think the team will receive a NCAA tournament at large bid because of the loss last night.

While Martin does not think the team will make the NCAA tournament, Neal is confident that the Bishops will get an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament.

The team will find out if they received a bid when the teams are announced Sunday

Women's Soccer

Season ends with bittersweet victory

By Adam Guy
Staff Reporter

The women's soccer team was back on track. Their defense was stingy and their offense was finally clicking. But then Kenyon beat Earlham 1-0, and their season was over.

That was the story for the Bishops this season, a season that as senior Maggie Ellis puts it, "Could have gone either way."

In the beginning of the season, the team looked strong, winning four of their first five games and scoring a staggering 14 goals.

But then the middle of the season found the Bishops struggling to find the back of the net. They scored only 7 goals in the next 10

games, with a record of 3-3-4.

Big losses to Wooster and Denison had the team on its heels, but the Bishops rebounded, winning 3 of their last 4 and scoring 9 goals.

But the 3-1 loss to Wittenberg on Oct. 24 hurt the Bishops in the conference standings.

They were put into a situation last weekend where they had to beat Oberlin and Kenyon would have to lose to Earlham.

The Bishops did their part, beating Oberlin 1-0, but Kenyon was able to edge past Earlham.

Kenyon's victory pushed the Bishops to fifth place in the NCAC, eliminating the Bishops from NCAC tournament contention.

Ellis said one of the biggest problems of the season was incon-

sistent play.

"We struggled in the middle part of the season, we just couldn't score goals for while."

Ellis also said it was a strange year for women's soccer in the NCAC, with sleeper teams upsetting some traditional conference powers.

"Kenyon won the conference, but we beat Kenyon, and the loss to Wittenberg dropped us from fifth to first [because of the outcomes of other conference games]," she said.

"There were a lot of upsets this year too. There were some teams winning games that they usually don't, so the season really could have gone either way," Ellis added.

Junior Megan Smith said that Coach Bob Barnes was still pleased with how the team played strong at the end of the season even though they didn't advance.

"Bob [Barnes] told us he was proud that we came out on top at the end of the season and was happy that we never gave up the whole year."

Ellis said the highlight of the year for her was when they defeated Allegheny 5-0 on Oct. 24.

"That was probably the best part of the season, because we were all on the same page and finally scoring goals and we just crushed Allegheny."

The Bishops finished the season with a 9-5-4 record and were 5-3-0 in conference play.

Football

Captains reflect on last game

By Rachel Jolly
Staff Reporter

It's the last time they will enter Selby Stadium in a Bishops uniform, and the senior captains of the football team shared mixed emotions.

"Probably the second the clock hits 0 it'll be pretty sad," said senior Nick Rice.

Their final game is Saturday against Hiram, and Rice said the squad planned a special goodbye for the seniors.

"If we're winning, on the last play the quarterback is going to take a knee and all 11 seniors are going to take the field," Rice said.

Senior Dominic Schwed said the idea of his senior season being over is "crazy", but he also said there are some things he won't miss about football.

"[Summer] Camp is horrible," Schwed said. "And everyone

thinks camp is horrible."

Senior Kyle Sherman said the one thing he won't miss is the losses.

"I think we underachieved this year," Sherman said.

Although this season wasn't an ideal year to exit on in terms of wins, the captains said the times the team had together were great.

"As bad as it was, I still had a blast," Rice said.

Senior Owen Case said the reason behind the half-full outlook on the season has a lot to do with the teams' work ethic.

"It would've been easy to give up halfway through the season," Case said. "Especially for underclassmen because they have many more seasons; but everybody kept working really hard."

Schwed said another highlight of the year was the friendships he made with all of his teammates.

"There's really nobody I dislike on the team," Schwed said. "There are around 100 guys on the team. Think about the chances of that, it's not likely."

All four captains said the friends they made on the team were one of the best parts about playing at Ohio Wesleyan.

"Some of the guys I've met through the team I'm going to be friends with for life" Case said.

Schwed said the coaches he had at OWU will be a favorite memory of his and that the coaching he got here has influenced him on how he would like to coach one day.

"I'm going to be a better coach, like how I was coached here, because of what my coaches taught me," Schwed said.

Sherman said his experiences with OWU football have changed his life.

"Football has made me a stronger person," Sherman said.

"W" athletes of the week

Sophomore Laura Binkley and junior Pete Macleod were named "W" Association Athletes of the Week for their performances on the cross country teams.

At the NCAC championship meet Saturday, Binkley earned All-NCAC honorable mention for her individual time of 26:03 for the 6000 meter course.

Binkley placed 16th among individuals and helped the women's cross country team to a third place finish overall, the best showing for the women since 1990.

On the men's side, Macleod also received honorable mention All-NCAC for his performance at the championship. He finished 17th among individuals with a time of 28:16 on the 8000 meter course.

The men's team finished second overall, their best showing in 23 years of NCAC competition.

Sports Briefs

Cross Country

The men's cross country team finished second overall at the NCAC championship meet Saturday.

Senior Matt Kempton finished 12th among individuals with a time of 27:59 on an 8000 meter course.

Kempton along with senior Will Crabtree, junior Pete Macleod, and sophomore David Stefanik received All-NCAC honors as well.

On the women's side, the Bishops finished 3 of 9 at the NCAC Championship.

Sophomore Catie Coleman had the fourth best individual time with 25:02 on the 6000 meter course.

Coleman, sophomores Leah Schmelzer and Laura Binkley, and freshman Sarah Shinn received All-NCAC honors

Football

After winning their last two games, the football team lost to Allegheny Saturday 30-15.

The Bishops last game of the season is this Saturday against Hiram at 1 p.m. at Selby Field

Swimming

The men's swim team lost to Denison 80-142. Sophomore Brian Fahey, and freshmen Kevin Fahey and David Gatz all won individual events for the Bishops

The women's swim team lost to Denison 91-128. Junior Katherine Donnan won the 1 and 3 meter diving events.

Field Hockey

The field hockey team lost its last game of the season to Denison 2-0.

The Bishops finished 4-10 on the season and were 3-9 in conference play.

Calendar

Friday:

Volleyball NCAC semifinal at Wittenberg at 5:30 p.m.

Men and Women's swimming at Wittenberg at 6 p.m.

Saturday:

Football vs. Hiram at 1 p.m. at Selby Field

Men and women's swimming vs. Oberlin at 1 p.m. at the Pfeiffer Natatorium