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Students take Sach's challenge

By Aarti Jitender
Guest Reporter

We've all heard the numbers; \$10 to save a child from dying of malaria, \$50 to alleviate a family out of poverty, but few of us actually take that step.

Some Ohio Wesleyan students, however, are doing just that. Student Initiative for International Development (SIID), headed by senior Taapsi Ramchandani, plans to focus its developmental efforts in underdeveloped countries. The group, which is still in its initial stages of conception, plans to focus its first project on raising \$5000 to establish a microfinance bank in an underdeveloped country. The options, so far, are Malawi, Haiti, Uzbekistan or Tajikistan.

According to Ramchandani, the money will be used to set up a bank in a village of about 30 to 40

families, essentially giving them access to loans to help them start or expand their business and alleviate their poverty.

Ramchandani said she decided to start the group after her interest in microfinancing was aroused by Professor Saif Rahman's economic development class and the Burton Morgan competition, which she won for her proposal on student involvement in microfinancing. Her internship with FINCA International (FINCA), a microfinance organization, this summer also reinforced her decision, she said.

Ramchandani said the group, which is still in its planning stage, has to elect its board members, establish a constitution and register with the Student Involvement Office (previously known as Student Activities Office).

While microfinance is the first
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Photo by Jeremy Franz

Sophomore Nathan Osborn tries to run around a Hiram defender Saturday in the Bishop's 58-0 victory. For the full story, see page 12.

Superheroes scale Gray Chapel

Sigma Chi rep wins Mr. Super OWU

By Lainey Cullen
Staff Reporter

The crowd went wild last night as sophomore Alex Miller of Sigma Chi was crowned Mr. "Super" OWU 2006.

Kappa Alpha Theta's (Theta) annual Mr. OWU competition had fraternity members, dressed in bathing suits, strutting their stuff around stage to raise money for Theta's philanthropy, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA).

In all, the event raised about \$1700 for Delaware chapter of CASA --down from last years \$2500.

Senior Jordan Swisher, service chair of Theta said this year's theme was Superheroes because CASA's are the everyday superhero.

CASA is a nationwide organization dedicated to helping foster children communicate more easily with family court judges.

Swisher said all proceeds from the event will be donated to the Delaware chapter of CASA.

Theta began hosting Mr. OWU in fall of 2000 and has continued to raise over \$2,000 from each Mr. OWU event.

Beachwear was the first event of the night and all nine contestants posed for the audience in bathing suits.

After the bathing suit contest, a speaker from CASA presented the audience with information regarding the organization's mis-



Photo by Adam Guy

Sophomore Alex Miller of Sigma Chi reveals his superhuman strength as he rips his shirt in the beach wear segment of Kappa Alpha Theta's Mr. OWU.

sion.

Sophomore Barclay Richey, Alpha Sigma Phi (Alpha Sig) member, started off the talent show with a stand-up comedy act.

Junior Brian Marion of Chi Phi completed a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle dance with three other Chi Phis in full turtle gear and one as their arch-nemesis Shredder.

Sophomore Keith Simon,

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Long-time employee says goodbye

By Jacqueline Coffey
Staff Reporter

Louise Musser, associate dean of Academic Affairs, is retiring from Ohio Wesleyan after 28 years. She and her husband, English professor Joseph Musser, have taught at the University together since 1978.

Louise Musser started her career in teaching at the University of Kentucky in the Department of Educational Psychology and Counseling before coming to Ohio Wesleyan.

"Though I enjoyed working with graduate students at Kentucky, I have found it particularly rewarding to work with college-age students," Louise said.

Louise came to Ohio Wesleyan in 1978 and started teaching in the education department. She became associate dean of Academic Affairs in 1992.

Louise said she has enjoyed her work at OWU the most.

"This is an incredibly important time for students' learning and development," she said, "and

it is so amazing to see the growth and changes that take place during the four years that students are here."

Louise said her fondest memories at Ohio Wesleyan are primarily the little things, in addition to some of the bigger events.

"[These memories are:] The student who makes real progress in writing, understanding a concept, or teaching an effective lesson," she said. "The colleague who receives well-deserved recognition; a particularly inspiring concert, play, or National Colloquium lecture; the opportunity to work with colleagues I like and respect; convocation at the beginning of the year and graduation at the end of the year, and so on."

Louise said that liberal arts colleges offer students unparalleled opportunities for learning and development and hopes that the University continues to strive for the best.

"I hope Ohio Wesleyan will continue to enhance its tradition of being a strong liberal arts college," she said. "My husband

wrote about the college's need for resources. I agree entirely with his statement."

Joseph Musser began his career at OWU as an English professor in 1977.

He said that working with his wife Louise was always helpful because they each could have perspectives on University issues from someone whose judgment they trust. It also helped with home life too.

"Being on the same academic schedule has made it easier in some ways for us to coordinate our efforts in rearing two daughters, or at least understand why some things were just impossible to do," he said. "Working at the same institution also means that we share colleagues and friends. My wife's insights about faculty, students and issues have always been invaluable to me."

Joe agrees with his wife on the direction he would like to see the University thrive towards.

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Freshmen to celebrate finding new home

By Andrea Minich
Guest Reporter

Freshmen are invited to spend an evening together at their new home before they return to their old home for Thanksgiving break.

The First Year Festival, sponsored by Joan McLean, dean of first year students, is Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Benes Rooms.

"Freshmen begin to feel like a part of OWU after midterm grades," McLean said. "This festival is to celebrate that."

This is the festival's second year and McLean said she hopes

the turnout is as good as last year.

"It was a smashing success [last year]," she said. "There was standing room only."

The festival will include free t-shirts for the first 75 freshmen who arrive, and appetizers like chicken fingers, cheese and chocolate fondue.

Orientation Leaders and faculty will also be at the festival.

"It's an opportunity to get to know each other, to mingle with faculty and to reconnect with their Orientation Leader to see how the semester has been going since they first met," said senior

Ben Walkuski, a student involved with the Office of New Student Programs. Nancy Bihl-Rutkowski from the Student Involvement Office also helped with the festival's planning.

Students and faculty will have the opportunity to play the Famous Alumni Matching game. An alumnus has been selected from each decade since the 1890's and his or her picture has been printed onto a large piece of paper. It is the students' and faculty's job to

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Development

project it is focusing on, Ramchandani said SIID will focus on a wider range of development topics. According to her other members have brought up ideas like environment-friendly development and agriculture-based programs, which the group may focus their subsequent projects on.

According to Ramchandani, SIID will work with FINCA to set up the bank. Once the \$5000 is raised, the group will give it to FINCA and will pick, from the four country list provided by FINCA, the region it wants to establish the bank in.

Ramchandani said FINCA will then take responsibility for setting up the bank and will keep the group informed about how and where the money is being used, with a progress report a year later.

Saif Rahman, professor of economics and advisor to the group, said instead of focusing on the worst and most downtrodden areas, to be most effective SIID should focus in areas where basic infrastructure is already available.

Ramchandani said she agreed with this logic and it would definitely play a role when the group

is deciding which country to invest its funds in.

According to Ramchandani, the group, which is being supported by the Chaplain's Office, Woltemade Center and the Community Service Learning Center, has already raised \$2000 of the \$5000. To raise the rest of the funds, Ramchandani said it could go to churches, local businesses and other organizations. She is also in touch with an alumnus who is willing to contribute funds once the group is official. After the group is registered as a campus organization, she said it could ask for WCSA funding.

Chaplain Jon Powers said he and Assistant Chaplain Lisa Ho have personally contributed money towards the program. Besides that, he said the Chaplain's Office has asked some members of the Delaware community if they would be interested in being silent partners and playing an advisory role.

John Boos, professor of economics and director of the Woltemade Center, said he is a behind-the-scenes supporter of the initiative. He said he is encouraging Ramchandani to pursue this because it is consis-

tent with some of the things the Woltemade Center wants to foster like entrepreneurial activities.

"It's more interesting [than other groups], in my stand point, in that you see people being able to change their social structure by entrepreneurial activities with as little as \$25 or \$50 in some cases," he said.

According to Powers, the concept of microfinancing is an excellent expression of the phrase, "Think globally, act locally."

"We can all think of global problems but unless we are willing to solve them on a day to day basis at a local level it's not going to change anything," he said.

Boos said the program would benefit students because it would give them the opportunity to combine theory and practice and apply what they are learning in class to the real world.

Senior Allison Kesling, a member of the group, said she is interested in international development as a career path so joining the group will help her decide whether this is what she wants to do.

Ramchandani said the program would help people learn about different ways to help the

poor besides the regular funding sources like foreign aid. She says it's also personally fulfilling to know you've done your part to help the poor.

Freshman Jacob Barnett and junior Allison Ebersole said they were both motivated after the Jeffrey Sachs lecture to actually take an initiative and do something to make a difference.

Powers said microfinance's extending global power was highlighted when the Nobel Peace Prize of 2006 was awarded to Muhammad Yunus, one of the chief advocates of microfinance.

According to the Nobel Peace Prize website, Yunus and Grameen Bank, the microfinance institution he started, were awarded the prize on Friday, October 13 for their efforts to create economic and social development because peace can't be achieved unless large sections of society are able to rise out of poverty.

Rahman cautioned the group against moving too fast. "We need to set our goals carefully and in concrete ways so we know what we are trying to achieve and we know how we will achieve it," he said. "The problem with going too fast is that we lose site of that."

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News Briefs

Indian festival and dinner Saturday

Diwali, the Indian Festival of Lights will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11 in the Stuy Smoker at 6 p.m. Afterwards, there will be a dinner at the I-House.

Native American to speak on campus

In honor of Native American Heritage month, Michael Dardar, vice chief of the United Houma Nation will speak in Corns 312, on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Faculty to be next colloquium speaker

Leslie Mass present her lecture "In Beauty May She Walk," in Philips Hall Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, as part of the Sagan National Colloquium.

Speaker to examine world policies after 9/11

The International Studies Program hosts Andrew Cottey's lecture, "The End of Humanitarian Intervention? Norms and International Politics After 9/11," in Benes Room A at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday.

Lecture to interpret election results

The Inaugural Barger Family Lecture Series will host the lecture "The 2006 U.S. Elections: What Happened? Why? What is Next?" on Wednesday at noon in the Benes Rooms. The event is co-sponsored by the Department of Politics and Government and The Arneson Institute.

Badgerow to talk about experiences

As part of the ISP Brown Bag Lunch Series, Sarah Badgerow will give her lecture titled, "Building Careers: My African Experience," today at noon in Ham-Will room 304.



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"A liberal arts education prepares students to think creatively and imaginatively," he said. "That's what our society needs, and that's what's most useful to individuals who are likely to change jobs and even careers four or five times in their lifetimes at least."

Joe said OWU needs the resources to enable the institution to thrive.

"[We need] resources that would allow us to hire and retain top-notch faculty," he said. "Offer a wide range of courses and independent studies, sustain and improve our library collection, attract and support the best students, maintain and improve our facilities, and provide effective technological support to faculty, students, and staff."

Joe said he does not expect to retire soon.

Louise said she hopes to take more time for herself after retirement, however, she plans on remaining very active in the campus community.

"I am going to do all of things I haven't had time to do," she said. "I would like to pursue my interests in music, the fabric arts, and gardening and our house needs extensive cleaning and redecorating. Also, I will take greater advantage of all the exciting events the campus has to offer."

Joe said that liberal arts institutions need more faculty and staff like Louise.

"We need administrators like my wife," he said, "Administrators of integrity, imagination, and meticulous accuracy who focus their attention on solving problems within the constraints of established procedures to the benefit of faculty and students."

First-Year

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match descriptions with the pictures, Walkuski said.

McLean said the game provides an equal playing field for both students and faculty because not many people know all of these alumni.

The t-shirts have a list of these famous alums on the back along with a special entry "Class of 2010, Me."

"Everyone has the opportunity to become the next famous alum," Walkuski said.

Entertainment will be provided by Pitch Black, the OWTsiders, freshman pianist Chris Williams and senior vocal major Qiana McNary.

Walkuski said the festival is a great way to have fun and unite the freshman class.

"There's no reason to sit around at a stuffy dinner when you could hang out at a party," he said.

Mr. OWU

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a Delta Tau Delta (Delt) brother, played an acoustic rendition of R. Kelly's "Remix to Ignition."

Senior Jordan Darr of Fiji hopped around stage in a pink bunny suit for 30 seconds, looked out into the audience and said "kisses all over" before exiting.

Senior Doug Sampson of Phi Delta Theta (Phi Delt) dedicated his performance to "Fran in Smith" before he sang Adam Sandler's "Lunch Lady Land" on the guitar. He was accompanied by a hotdog, McDonald's French fries, a ketchup bottle, and a sloppy Joe sandwich.

Sophomore Aaron Lechak of Phi Kappa Psi (Phi Psi) wore black shorts and red suspenders while he played the guitar, singing Outcast's "Hey Ya."

Sophomore Steve Menzies of Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) dressed in a spiffy navy-blue blazer and played the piano while singing the Jerry Lee Lewis classic "Great Balls of Fire."

Miller wore a cowboy hat with patriotic boxers. He played an eclectic mix of songs that was topped off by his rendition of Neil Diamond's "Sweet Caroline."

Sophomore Greg Vasami of Sigma Phi Epsilon ended the talent portion of the show with a dance to "Pump It Up" by Joe Budden.

After the talent show, each of the nine contestants were escorted to the stage by a member of a sorority. The event was called "super" wear. Contestants dressed in super hero costumes and all the girls wore formal dresses.

The question and answer section was the next event and tested the personality of each Mr. OWU contestant.

Before the three finalists were announced, the Owtiders performed four songs including Bee Lover, Days of Phoenix, Like a Prayer and Come Sail Away.

Miller of Sigma Chi was the winner of Mr. OWU.

"I was really shocked. I didn't think I was going to win at all," Miller said. "I looked over at my friends right before they [Theta] announced the winner and they [my friends] put their hands up wondering how they thought I did. I shook my head saying no. I was completely surprised."

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The Goddard School of Lewis Center is looking for an energetic assistant teacher to work in the older toddler room; we would like to fill this position soon. Qualified teachers should enjoy working with children ages 18 to 30 months while remaining in strict compliance with Goddard Quality Assurance and State Licensing Regulations. Assistant teachers follow the lead teacher's lesson plans as well as assist in completing other duties like daily attendance, parent conferences and progress reports.

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Senior gets WSLN back on the airwaves

By Matt Patrick
Staff Reporter

WSLN (89.7 FM) is broadcasting again from 10 a.m. to midnight, opening more timeslots for student DJ's.

Senior Rachael Roettenbacher, general manager of WSLN said she wanted to get the station running again because it's an important part of OWU and an often neglected great resource.

"I want to make WSLN a unit," Roettenbacher said. "I want to try to get WSLN, as a group, involved in setting up events for the campus, and become a bigger part of campus life."

Roettenbacher said the majority of the radio shows are music based and DJ's can play and discuss whatever they want, but there are also people interested in doing sports, news, politics and other forms of talk shows during their broadcasts.

"All of the shows are about the DJs getting across whatever points

they like, be it a genre of music or a topic of debate," Roettenbacher said.

Roettenbacher said the station's webcast can be heard online at wsln.owu.edu. She said when there are no DJs in the booth, an automated playlist repeats over and over.

"I lengthened the broadcast day to cut down the amount of time the automated playlist is on because it generally turns people off to listening," Roettenbacher said. "Now that the station is in operation again, I make a point to update the playlist weekly."

Roettenbacher said restarting the station has been a huge investment of time for her.

"As an astrophysics major, I have little time for anything aside from my work," Roettenbacher said. "The hardest part is getting possible DJ's interested, and keeping them long enough to try it out. The next step is getting people to listen."

Roettenbacher said the big-

gest change she plans to make is to be certain the OWU community knows about WSLN. She said anyone can become a DJ by sending her an email and coming in to the station to learn the controls.

"I opened up more hours for DJs although morning DJs are not as plentiful as evening DJs," Roettenbacher said. "If someone wanted to broadcast in other hours, they could; there are no restrictions on the hours of broadcast."

Senior Jameson Pyle said he had a radio show with senior John Hollis last year and had a great experience learning to use the equipment.

"We had a lot of fun going to the station once a week just messing around playing songs, taking calls from students and talking about whatever we wanted," Pyle said.

Sophomore Mark McCrane said he enjoys listening to the station in his car on his way to class.

"The station is always there in

a pinch," said McCrane. "I can count on it to be playing a good song and not a commercial at any

point during the day and put a pep in my step."



Photo by Phil Salisbury

Freshmen Zach Barbara, left, and Tyler Laws, on their Tuesday evening radio show.

Strickland, Brown win; Wages up, smokes out

Gambling initiative doesn't appeal to voters

By Leah Johnson
Guest Reporter

Results from Tuesday's election proved to help Ohio minimum-wage employees, but not prospective college students.

Issue 2, a minimum wage increase from \$5.15 to \$6.85 and restaurant server wage increase from \$2.12 to \$3.43, passed with 52 percent in hopes to provide Ohio workers a livable wage.

"With every state minimum wage ballot issue passing, it seems voters send a clear message to policy makers that the minimum wage is not a living wage," said senior Callie Seltzer, a politics and government major.

Issue 3, which would have allowed the use of slot machines in nine specific Ohio locations, failed. Thirty percent of the revenue was promised to scholarships and grant programs.

"[Ohio has] never been keen on gambling," said Craig Ramsay, professor of politics and government.

Ohio has seven racetracks where slots would have been allowed, and two casinos would have been allowed in the Cleveland area.

Issues 4 and 5 worked to the advantage of non-smokers. Issue 4, a constitutional amendment that would have allowed smoking in designated public areas, failed, while Issue 5, a law banning smoking in all public

buildings and workplaces, passed.

"The public figured it out," Ramsay said in reference to tricky wording. "They got what they wanted."

National trends swept through Ohio, making it an above average day for Democrats in Ohio. Ted Strickland will be the first Democratic governor in 16 years, winning the election with 60 percent.

Republican Kenneth Blackwell, who would have been Ohio's first black governor, received only 37 percent of the votes.

"Strickland had been ahead for a long time," Ramsay said. "There was no surprise on the margin."

With a very tight national Senate race, Democrat Sherrod Brown pulled ahead of Republican incumbent Mike DeWine with 56 percent of the votes. Delaware County voted for DeWine, with 58 percent. The voter turnout in Delaware County was 60 percent.

"Brown's win over DeWine wasn't a huge surprise based on recent projections," Seltzer said. "However, many consider DeWine to be a rather moderate Republican, which proves the political climate is particularly hostile towards Republicans right now."

Another race with a considerable gap was for 12th district House Representative. Republican incumbent Pat Tiberi beat Democrat Bob Shamansky with 61 percent. Tiberi will serve his fourth term.

Democrats win House; Senate still pending

By Leah Johnson
Guest Reporter

Voters held their breath in anticipation Tuesday night until they turned blue.

Congress is now more blue than red, as Democrats won the majority of the House of Representatives in the 2006 mid-term elections. Election followers waited late into Wednesday for results from the Virginia race to determine the Senate majority. Although still being processed, experts from CNN.com are favoring Democrat James Webb for the final Senate seat. Webb's victory would give the Democrats a 51-49 majority in the Senate. Around 10 p.m. last night, the Associated Press declared Webb the winner, although it isn't official.

"This election was a classic example of the six-year itch," said Craig Ramsay, professor of politics and government. "The president's party usually loses seats in the second mid-term election."

House Democrats gained 28 seats, claiming a total of 228, while Republicans lost 27, leaving 196 for the next two years in the House. In the Senate, Democrats gained five seats, and Webb's would be six.

Issues on Tuesday's national ballot were wide ranged. Missouri was the second state, following California in 2004, to protect embryonic stem cell research, passing with 51 percent.

Missouri was also one of six states (Ohio, Montana, Arizona, Colorado and Minnesota) that passed raising the minimum wage.

"This was a very symbolic issue," Ramsay said. "It was a way for the public to indicate unfairness."

Colorado, Idaho, Michigan, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee and Virginia continued the national trend of denying recognition of same-sex marriages, some more vehemently than others.

Tennessee voted yes to the ban with 81 percent and South Carolina followed with 78 percent, while South Dakota only voted 52 percent in support of the ban.

A proposed amendment to legalize the possession of one ounce or less of marijuana on any person 21 years or older failed in Colorado and Nevada, while the use of medicinal marijuana failed in South Dakota.

Eyes were on South Dakota for another reason, as voters opposed a measure to ban all abortions.

Senior politics and government major Jason Ramsey said South Dakota is a very conservative state, and because abortions weren't banned there, it's not likely a ban would be passed anywhere.

"Most want restrictions on abortion, but not a complete ban," Ramsey said.

A proposed alternative energy funding policy in California failed, only receiving 45 percent of the vote.

Arizona denied a proposed voter reward system, in which \$1 million would have gone to two randomly selected voters every two years, in an attempt to achieve a higher voter turnout.

That shows people are "still voting for the right reasons," Ramsay said.

Students to be relocated during winter break

By Lainey Cullen
Staff Reporter

Students will get to take a vacation from spending every night in their dorm room during the winter break- even if it's still on campus.

The University has made a final decision to consolidate all students remaining on campus during winter break into one residential building.

Dean of Students John Delaney said the final location where students will reside over winter break will depend on the number of students the University needs to accommodate.

"The options to house five students over the break are very different from the options to house 25 students, so we most likely will not make that decision until we have this final head count," Delaney said.

Delaney said the decision to place students in one location on campus will allow the University "to cut back the heat and hot water

in the buildings that are closed," providing "a savings in the University operating budget that can be used for other services or improvement to help students."

Debbie Lamp, director of Student Activities, along with Wendy Piper, assistant director of Residential Life, and Residential Life Coordinator Julie Blaszk met with Buildings and Grounds Friday to discuss the process.

Piper said the meeting was called to discuss the proper dates in which the University would begin to cut back heat and hot water in vacant campus buildings.

Lamp said she will be working with all of the fraternity house corporations to discuss whether houses will remain open for winter break. If fraternity houses close, members remaining on campus must reside in the designated residential building.

In order to assess the situation, the University will need to determine the number of men planning to stay in certain fraternities, Lamp said.

Lamp said every fraternity house operates differently - some houses automatically close for winter break and some houses don't. The decision is mandated by the fraternity's house corporation and every house corporation operates differently.

Lamp said she strongly suggests all fraternity houses close and that she believes it would be smarter for fraternity men to move into a residence hall for safety reasons.

Lamp said the University had some issues over the summer where certain fraternity houses failed to inform the University of members living in the house over the course of them summer session. She said the University knew only two fraternity houses were registered to remain open for summer session.

"The one thing that we do want to make sure is that students are safe," Lamp said. "We had issues over the summer because men were in houses that we didn't know about. The electricity went out because of a storm and the

poles needed further repairs that were ongoing. I found out at that point that there were men in houses which the University was unaware. Of this is a huge issue especially if we have an ice storm and loose electricity."

Delaney said from a safety perspective it is very helpful to have the students in one location so Public Safety can closely monitor the campus over the break.

"If we also know that all other residential facilities are shut down, we can better monitor activities in these facilities to ensure that no intruder enters any residential facility over the break while the buildings are closed," Delaney said. "We will also request the help of DPD [Delaware Police Department] in watching our residential facilities, particularly in the evenings as they have done in the past. If the DPD officers know that students are all housed in one location they can easily detect the presence of others in a hall, SLU, or fraternity house during evening hours and

this helps to prevent any break ins or thefts on campus over the holidays."

Financially, there is little incentive for the University to shut the frats down because the University does not save anything. Even so, Lamp said the University has offered to close fraternity buildings.

"We're not forcing fraternities to close their houses because they pay their own bills, so it is just a piece of mind savings for everybody, and liability" Lamp said. "The safety and the piece of mind are so much more important than any money the house may save."

Delaney said the University appreciates that students would much rather spend winter break away from campus.

"In emergency situations or in instances where a student does not have the option to travel elsewhere for the break we will certainly provide a space on campus over the break and do the best we can to support the student during the month-long period between classes," he said.

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What's News—

In Business and Finance

Verizon, YouTube Close to Big Deal

Verizon is in advanced talks with YouTube to bring the popular Web site's videos to cellphones and television sets, in what would be a landmark link-up between telecom and Internet video.

An agreement would allow Verizon's customers to view some of the most avidly watched entertainment on the Internet. That could advance the long-expected convergence of video and cellphones. It could also, at least temporarily, give Verizon a marketing edge over its rivals in the wireless and cable industries, furthering the company's efforts to expand into Internet and entertainment services.

Under the terms being discussed, customers of Verizon Wireless would be able to view some YouTube videos on their cellphones. Verizon also would offer YouTube videos as an on-demand feature of a TV service it is launching throughout the nation. The company paved the way for the launch with a massive upgrade of its network that is expected to cost \$18 billion through 2010.

YouTube, which has agreed to be acquired by Internet giant Google for \$1.65 billion, is expected to seek similar deals with other big cellular operators—such as Sprint Nextel and Cingular Wireless—to get the widest possible distribution for its content.

Retail Forecasts

Pose Sharp Contrast

Forecasts for the holiday retail season are more divided than usual this year, with predicted gains for overall sales ranging from a modest 2.5% to a robust 7.5%.

Holiday spending is an important indicator of the strength of the \$12 trillion U.S. economy. Retailers count on holiday sales for as much as 40% of their annual sales and half their annual profits.

This year's mixed signals result partly from contradictory economic indicators: Gas prices have been falling, stock prices rising and housing losing steam.

If holiday sales get off to a slow start, one consequence would be heaps of slow-selling merchandise and bargains aplenty. Wal-Mart, whose October sales in stores open at least a year saw the weakest gain in nearly six years, has dropped prices by 15% to 30% on certain cameras, phones and TVs that are likely holiday purchases.

Bridge Builder

Some highlights of Verizon's efforts to become a multimedia company:

- **May 2004:** Announces broadband network to offer Internet connections and TV service.
- **February 2005:** Launches V Cast subscription service, offering news, sports and entertainment videos.
- **September 2005:** Launches TV service in Keller, Texas; later launches it in other markets across the country.
- **January 2006:** Launches V Cast Music, which offers over-the-air downloads of songs by popular artists on major labels.
- **October 2006:** Reports 68 million downloads of games and other mobile content in third quarter, but bulk of data revenue still comes from text-messaging.

E-Sabotage Hits Mobile Phones

Wireless carriers and traditional security companies are stepping up efforts to fortify what they say are hackers' next big targets—cellphones and smartphones.

Mobile spam—an annoying interruption or, more seriously, a new tool for identity thieves—is growing more prevalent. In recent scams sometimes called "SMishing," spammers use text messages to trick users into disclosing personal information. Mobile spyware, too, has arrived that once downloaded to a phone can listen in to conversations.

While such threats are rare, security companies are offering new products for added protection. Symantec, for one, has launched a new version of its mobile antivirus software for devices running the Windows Mobile system. McAfee has expanded to a broader range of devices its mobile security suite, which blocks text messages it believes to be malicious and can detect and clean any potentially infected files before they are run.

Xbox 360 to Offer Movie Rentals, TV

Microsoft plans to begin offering movies and television shows later this month that users can download onto the Xbox 360, the company's most serious effort yet to expand the entertainment options available for the console beyond videogames.

As it gears up for what is expected to be an intense, competitive holiday season in the games

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PCs Get Cheaper, for Now

Makers Try to Unload Perishable Models Before 'Vista' Hits

By Christopher Lawton and Robert A. Guth

For personal-computer makers, the new year can't come soon enough. Until then, the normally healthy holiday season might look like a going-out-of-business sale.

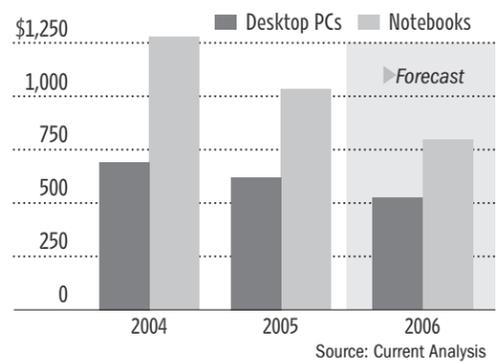
That unpleasant prospect stems from Microsoft's decision earlier this year to delay the broad introduction of its Windows Vista operating system until next January. The news struck a blow to Hewlett-Packard, Dell, Gateway and the rest of the \$200 billion U.S. industry, which for decades had enjoyed the tailwind of a new release of Microsoft software—particularly when it coincided with the holiday selling season.

Now PC makers are scrambling to entice consumers to open their wallets and not wait until the end of January, when Vista is expected to be available to consumers. Some of the planned incentives are typical—larger screens, bigger hard drives and new hardware colors—but many industry observers say the most powerful sales tool will also be the most painful: rock-bottom prices.

Current Analysis, a research firm that tracks weekly PC sales, estimates that, thanks in part to Vis-

Price Drop

Estimated average computer sales prices in the fourth quarter of each year



ta's delay, 70% of notebook PCs sold this holiday season will be priced at less than \$1,000. That compares with just 38% of notebook PCs at less than \$1,000 in 2004. "It's going to be a blowout sale," says Samir Bhavnani, research director at Current Analysis.

At electronics retailer Circuit City, the price of 17-inch-wide notebooks is falling to less than \$1,000 from about \$1,300 a year ago, says Elliot Becker, vice president and merchandising manager of technology. In September, Sony started offering its N-series notebook at less than \$1,000 for the first time.

"We expect to see the apex of price degradation to occur this holiday," says Mike Abary, vice president of marketing for Sony's Vaio PC brand.

The price slashing underlines

how the PC industry continues to be dependent on new Microsoft software. Vista is the biggest overhaul of Microsoft's operating system in 10 years, when the software maker cemented its PC-software monopoly with the hugely successful Windows 95. Its new operating system includes features such as better ways to search for information on a PC and what Microsoft says is vastly improved security. It

will be available to big businesses at the end of this month and more broadly in late January.

PC makers originally expected Vista in time for this year's holiday selling season, one of the two times a year they can count on consumers to stock up on new PCs and related gear (the other is back-to-school season). And the delay is coming at a particularly bad time for the PC industry. In the U.S., unit shipments of PCs declined by 2% in the third quarter, according to Gartner Inc. Market researcher IDC expects the U.S. growth rate for PCs in the second half of this year to be just 6.3%, versus 9.5% for the second half of 2005.

The rock-bottom prices could pressure the already razor-thin margins in the PC industry—bad

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Real Guitar Heroes Play It, Too

OBY ETHAN SMITH
n tour with his multi-platinum hard-rock band Korn last summer, Jonathan Davis regularly whipped crowds into a frenzy with classic-rock staples such as "Iron Man," "Smoke on the Water" and "More Than a Feeling." And that was before he even got off the tour bus.

Mr. Davis, Korn's lead singer, is part of an unlikely but growing fraternity: Rock stars who are also avid players of Guitar Hero, an electronic game that lets gamers pretend to be, well, rock stars.

From superstars like Korn to up-and-comers, Guitar Hero has quickly become a fixture on tour buses and in recording studios. Intended for air guitarists who might

not be able to play the real thing, the \$70 PlayStation title has also won a following in the music world. Its devotees range from alternative-rocker Trent Reznor of Nine Inch Nails to country stars Rascal Flatts.

The game involves using a miniature plastic guitar to "play" along with mostly re-recorded songs associated with the likes of Jimi Hendrix, Boston and the Ramones. Instead of strumming strings, players press color-coded buttons to match "notes" that scroll across the TV screen. Players "pluck" a little toggle, earning points each time they hit a note successfully, which is then played through the speakers. A virtual crowd cheers harder the more skillfully a song is played.

Many professional rockers say

the game lets them act out a fantasy that their real lives don't quite match. Bob Bryar, drummer for My Chemical Romance, tends to be fairly retiring. But playing Guitar Hero in his apartment, Mr. Bryar says he feels free to act like a flashy frontman: "I got huge complaints at my apartment building, because I put it through my Bose and shred Guitar Hero all night."

Members of Three Days Grace frequently sneaked off to play the game while recording their second album. "I'd be in the vocal booth singing, and the rest of the guys would be downstairs rocking out on the game," says frontman Adam Gontier. The band learned about the game from Tool, a superstar act recording at the same studio. "We'd hear them screaming and freaking out," Mr. Gontier recalls.

PCs Get Cheaper, for the Moment

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news for companies such as Dell, which has been struggling to turn its U.S. consumer business around amid stiff competition, and H-P, which has been trying to boost the profitability of its PC business under Chief Executive Mark Hurd.

Todd Bartee, director of sales for Dell, says, "Being direct to the customer gives us the opportunity to provide more value to the customer and continue to be price-competitive." An H-P spokeswoman says the company plans to stay price-competitive during the holiday season, while at the same time continuing its strategy for profitable growth.

Now the key issue for PC makers is clearing out products that run Microsoft's current operating

system, Windows XP, with the expectation that few consumers will want those machines once Vista ships. Most of those PCs will be able to run Vista later, and Microsoft and major PC makers in late October kicked off a campaign that provides any new Windows XP buyer a free or cheap version of Vista once it is available.

Microsoft acknowledges the PC industry's concerns over Vista's timing.

"Yes, there's concerns from partners, concerns from us, concerns from everybody that we could be slowing down PC demand for the holiday season," says Microsoft General Manager Brad Brooks. But Mr. Brooks says the Vista upgrade program will help drive sales and buoy prices for the

holidays.

Microsoft estimates that 85% of the PCs sold this season will have the processing power and other attributes to run Vista if consumers install it later.

Some PC makers are trying more colorful pre-Vista marketing campaigns and gee-whiz products to get consumers interested. Sony plans to join its Hollywood counterpart, Sony Pictures, in releasing 1,000 limited-edition James Bond-themed Vaio PCs—with a specially engraved "007" logo and digital camera—tied to the release of "Casino Royale." Many vendors are also pushing new colors and designs, including a pink notebook for college-age women from Sony's C-series notebooks and a wave design on H-P's dv2000 notebook.

What's News—

In Business and Finance

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business, Microsoft said it will sell episodes of television shows including the likes of "CSI" and "Star Trek" and rent movies such as "Mission Impossible III" and "Superman Returns" for users of Xbox 360 to download and watch on their television sets. The service will launch Nov. 22.

The coming years will test how big gamers' appetites are for other forms of entertainment on systems that traditionally play games. Sony plans to introduce the PlayStation 3, later this month, a key feature of which is Blu-ray, a new optical-disc technology that Sony is seeking to establish as a standard for high-definition movie playback.

Newspapers to Sell Ads Through Google

In one of the more dramatic efforts by newspapers to reach new advertisers, more than 50 daily newspapers are set to begin selling ads through Google as part of a three-month test. The hope is that small advertisers will find the automated process of buying newspaper ads more convenient than dealing with individual newspapers' sales representatives.

Google has amassed hundreds of thousands of advertisers, roughly 100 of which have signed up to test the program. Netflix, for one, says it has signed on despite not having done much newspaper advertising beyond fliers in Sunday papers.

"In local markets, newspapers are leaving a lot of money on the table," says Mike Smith, executive

director of Northwestern University's Media Management Center. He says small advertisers are put off by high prices, extensive paperwork, the difficulty of finding a sales representative to focus on their needs and passing muster with a newspaper's credit department.

Odds & Ends

The world oil industry has barely increased its investment in oil and natural-gas production during the past five years after accounting for inflation, a new study by the International Energy Agency finds, suggesting global energy prices are likely to face upward pressure in the years ahead. ... **Outback Steakhouse** may have a new owner, as a group of investors agreed to buy the chain's parent, OSI Restaurant Partners, for about \$3 billion. Outback and other midprice restaurants have suffered as high gas prices and other spending pressures have prompted consumers to eat out less frequently. OSI executives have said they plan to open new restaurants more slowly and cut costs.

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Forum examines ideology in film

By Mike Alcock
Guest Reporter

The Philosophy Department is implementing a monthly philosophy film forum examining various aspects of popular culture and media.

The forum, which will be held at the Strand, will focus on a different movie each month, holding screenings followed by analytical discussions.

Admission is free and is open to faculty, staff, students and members of the Delaware community.

The group met for the first time on Oct. 17 to watch and review *Blade Runner* (1982), and will assemble again Tuesday at 7 p.m. to see and discuss *High Plains Drifter* (1973).

According to professor Scott Calef, chair of the philosophy department, who facilitated discussion for the group's first movie, the forum will focus on investigating philosophical concepts and themes for each film. He said he hopes this program will initiate further out-of-class interaction to compliment the department's other monthly discussion group, Socrates Café.

"I was pleased with the first

meeting," he said. "There were about 35 people in attendance and most stayed afterward for discussion. It was intelligent and insightful, elucidating many unseen components of the film."

Calef said the *Blade Runner* discussion raised many specific philosophical questions and issues.

"One of the central points of dialogue revolved around the question 'what does it mean to be human?'" Calef said. "We also spoke at length about the role of both emotions and memory for humanity, the meaning of soul and whether or not people can acquire or lose [a soul], and the nature of 'I' and the ego."

Sophomore Mark Miller said he was much more enlightened about the movie after the discussion and was ready to watch it again.

"Generally, I'm not incredibly into movies," he said. "But the film industry offers an interesting alternative perspective on aspects of our lives. Unlike literature or music. Movies can provide a visual manifestation of philosophical expression and controversy directly to the audience. It's like the famous Socrates quote, 'the

unexamined life is not worth living.' Well, the unexamined movie is not worth watching."

Philosophy Professor Erin Flynn will be leading the discussion of Clint Eastwood's *High Plains Drifter* and plans to focus on issues of moral and legal authority, justice and retribution. He said the forum allows for both general conversation on movies as entertainment and critical analysis and intellectual reflection on film as an art form.

"The beautiful thing about movies is that they can be both a thrilling roller coaster ride and an intensely thought provoking experience," he said. Film is the major mode of art for our culture and it attracts innovative artistic thinkers. [The forum] can introduce students to this philosophical vehicle." Kara McVay, the operations coordinator for the Strand, said she's excited about hosting the forum because it brings a unique perspective on film.

"Usually we host the Community Film Series with Helmut Kremling and Lynette Carpenter," she said, referring to the OWU modern foreign language and English professors, respectively. "Their focus is more about the technical

aspects of movie-making. [The philosophy film forum] focuses on the substance of the film and the various types of interpretation. For me, if a film evokes emotion, positively or negatively, it's done its job. I'd love to participate in one of the discussions sometime."

Junior Erik Unverdruss attended the *Blade Runner* discussion and said that although he enjoyed the content, the focus wasn't necessarily about the points and questions raised by the film, but were targeted at analyzing the film's point.

Flynn said he and Calef have been working on a list of candidate movies and are still perfecting a method of selection, but said they are hopeful students will become involved in this process as well.

"I'd like to see students begin to take some ownership [of the forum]," Flynn said. "The first few movies are of particular interest to both Scott and me, but we don't have anything finite for the rest of the year, so it's certainly open for suggestions."

Calef said students should contact him by email with questions, comments, ideas or any interest in attending the forum at swcalef@owu.edu.

Saw III unsuccessfully uses past in new plot

"Saw III" is the latest -- but unfortunately not the last -- in this series of torture movies. And for people who haven't seen the first two installments, it can be the most frustrating to follow.

Director Darren Lynn Bousman attempts to tie together all three films using flashbacks and new footage in order to answer whatever unanswered questions fans may have had about the first

In this installment, the maniacal Jigsaw (Tobin Bell) is on his deathbed, suffering from an inoperable brain tumor that is quickly bringing about his demise. So, in order for Jigsaw to continue his gruesome games of revenge, he enlists the help of Amanda (Shawnee Smith) to abduct victims and set up their individual ordeals.

Amanda also kidnaps Dr. Lynn Denlon (Bahar Soomekh) to operate on Jigsaw. She must keep him alive long enough for a guy named Jeff (Angus Macfayden) to pass a series of sickening tests in order to he learn to forgive the people responsible for the death of his young son.

If Dr. Denlon can't keep Jigsaw alive -- or she tries to escape -- a nasty-looking collar around her neck armed with explosive charges will blow her head clean off.

And while watching this movie, I couldn't help but wish that I had

that collar around my neck, just so I wouldn't have to sit through another sequel.

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Amanda (Shawnee Smith) and Jigsaw (Tobin Bell) bring back more torture devices in Saw III.

Critic's Corner

by DNA Smith

two movies, while at the same time deliver a new slew of grisly torture sequences to keep, well, SOMEBODY, interested. Frankly, I didn't care about the plot holes from the other films being explained.

Arts Briefs

Musical to start its run tonight

The Cole Porter's musical comedy extravaganza "Out of this World" presented by the Departments of Theatre and Dance and Music, will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Chappelear Drama Center. Call x3855 to reserve tickets.

WCSA to seek original ornaments

The Tree Ornament Contest kicked off and submissions will be accepted through Nov. 30. The winner will be announced on Dec. 1 and will receive two free tickets to the President's Ball.

Quartet to perform Tuesday

The Carpe Diem String Quartet will play in Jemison Auditorium (in Sanborn Hall) at 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

Group to hold dancing lessons

ViVa will host salsa lessons tomorrow in the Cave at 8 p.m. Admission is free.

Senior recitals to be held Sunday

The Music Department presents the OWU Chamber Orchestra in concert Sunday 8 p.m. in Gray Chapel. Seniors Qiana McNary and Nicole Piuanno are the featured performers. The concert is free and the public is invited.



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Out of This World, the musical co-produced by the music and theatre departments, will be performed tonight, tomorrow, and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Chappelle Drama Center. Cast members in the play clockwise from top left, juniors John Betts and Allison Draper, seniors Eric Magnus, Kevin Barron, Eric Carpenter, and junior Chelsea Kilburn.

Art lovers to visit Chicago museums

By Julia Smith
Guest Reporter

Tomorrow, the Art Guild is going to explore Chicago and visit art exhibits at three different locations.

The group will see the annual presentation of Sculptural Objects and Functional Art (SOFA) at Navy Pier in Chicago, the Museum of Contemporary Art, and The Art Institute of Chicago.

Secretary of the Art Guild and coordinator of the Chicago trip, junior Sarah Hahn said the ultimate goal is to give participants a chance to experience art first hand and see Chicago after studying it.

"Experiencing art first hand as well as the environment that it is displayed in is very different from seeing it in pictures and lectures," Hahn said. "Also, the exhibit shows work that is very current and thus not studied in the classroom. We have studied some of the architecture in the city so it will be more enriching to be able to physically see the buildings."

Junior Emily Bigelow, president of the Art Guild, said the Art Guild is open to any student with an interest in art. Bigelow said she likes the idea of being able to take the participants out of Delaware and see different artists' work.

"Our mission is to provide access to the arts in the surrounding Columbus area for those who are interested in the arts," Bigelow said. "It can be hard to get out of Delaware and actually have a chance to see new galleries, museums, and exhibitions in Columbus and we'd like to make that more possible."

"We also attempt to make it to other larger cities in order to not limit our art experience to just central Ohio. We'll be heading out to Chicago this Friday and hope to make it to New York City in the spring."

Senior Kelley McDonald, a Fine Art Major, has participated in the Art Guild on and off since her freshman year. McDonald said she participates in the Art

Guild because of the ability to travel and its welcoming attitude.

"Art Guild provides a great opportunity to see art first hand," McDonald said. "Through fund raising and the support of the Fine Arts Department and WCSA, the Art Guild is able to make these trips affordable for students who would otherwise never be able to go on these trips."

McDonald said she is looking forward to seeing the SOFA exhibit and meeting the artists in Chicago.

"I am extremely excited about the trip to Chicago," McDonald said. "The SOFA exhibition gives you the opportunity to see the work of today's leading contemporary artists and even a chance to meet them and talk to them about their work."

"It is a fantastic opportunity to expose yourself to new concepts and types of art. These types of exhibitions always get you excited about your own work, which you can then return to with new ideas and a refreshed viewpoint."

According to an 2004 edition of *The Transcript*, former president Mark Fujishige ('05) said that the group traveled to Chicago and a number of other cities.

"In the past we have taken trips to Philadelphia, Washington D.C., Chicago, and finally, this semester New York over mid-semester break," Fujishige said.

Hahn said the group will take more trips during the year to the Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus's Short North neighborhood hosted gallery hop events, and most likely New York next semester.

"Trips are open to members first and if there are spots left then non-members could come, Hahn said. "Anyone going on the trips, however, has to participate in any fundraising that is done for that trip."

Hahn said all of the trips are supported by fundraising. Last year fundraising came from the sale of student art. This year, Hahn said, the Art Guild is interesting in doing any fundraising that has a creative twist, including selling Christmas ornaments.

TRIVIA TEST

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. LANGUAGE: What is something that is "pro bono publico"?

2. MEASUREMENTS: How many tablespoons are in a cup?

3. MEDICINE: If someone is suffering from "cavities," what is his or her condition?

4. ARCHITECTURE: Who designed the original Whitehall Palace in London?

5. ANIMALS: What is an insectivore?

6. ASTRONOMY: Who is credited with discovering Uranus?

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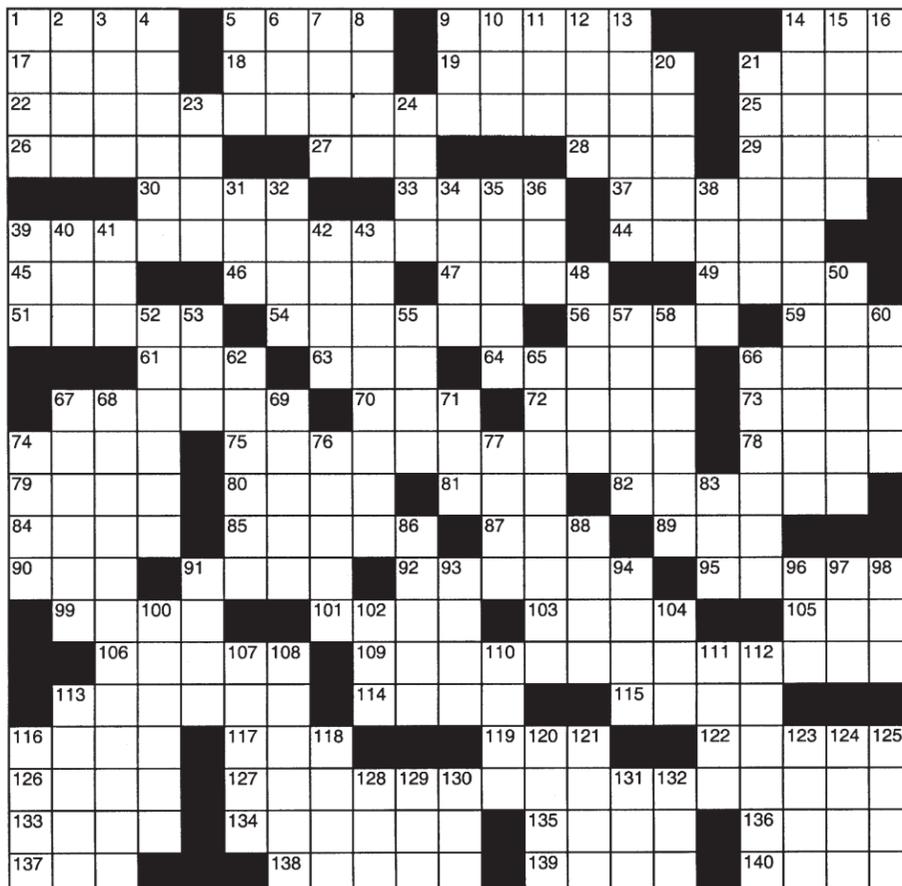
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- 2. 16
- 3. Gray- or white-haired bodybuilder
- 4. Famous
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Oh, Christmas Tree



Jerome in your home
 by Jerome Stenger

I would like to take this time out to personally thank our student body government, WCSA, for ruining Christmas.

Recently, a Christmas tree was erected in the atrium of our student campus. A campus-wide e-mail from WCSA on Tuesday explained the reason behind the erection—a tree ornament contest. Apparently, ornaments are due by Dec. 1, the winner receiving two free tickets to the President's Ball on Dec. 2—clearly not enough time for a girl to buy a dress.

I don't have a problem with the tree ornament contest. In fact, I have fond memories of making Christmas gingerbread ornaments from my childhood. My mom would mix ingredients together and then my brother and I would eat most of the dough. What made it to the oven eventually baked into an ornament, and then my cats would finish them off. Ornament making, I learned, was therapeutic, much like carving a pumpkin or creating a hate-list in calligraphy.

The real problem here is the date with which WCSA's Christmas tree erection took place. Nov. 6. About two weeks before Thanksgiving. Hurry up everyone. Let's make ornaments...in November. Christmas is only 50 days away. If we start now, we can wear out the holiday season before it officially begins.

Every neighborhood has that one family who puts their Christmas lights up the day after Halloween—that family with the big plastic yard decorations, which during the day looks more like a globally-warmed North Pole wasteland. These families admit that they just can't wait for the

yuletide season. But really, they just think they're better than everyone else. All the children in the neighborhood love this family—"Yeeeah, lookie, lookie, it's Santa and Rudolph," they scream giddily. All the adults secretly want this family arrested—arrested for ruining Christmas.

To be honest, I always admired those families that went all out with their Christmas décor. My family had our own tradition, aptly titled "Stenger style," in which a couple strands of white lights were hung across the front porch in a zigzag pattern. Quite a stunning visual, I must say.

Growing older though, I realized nothing wrong with a minimalist approach and I became proud of my families humble holiday displays, and even more so with the timing of the set up; the first day of December. I realized that the families with the crazy lawn and roof ornaments always set their decorations up weeks before everyone else; show offs. So for the last two weeks in November, cruising the dark streets, you probably saw a plastic Christmas nightmare orgy or nothing.

How you have grossly offended the Thanksgiving holiday by overlooking its beauty, WCSA. A Christmas tree? Why not a large cardboard turkey cutout instead. Students could play "decorate the turkey" or something for the chance to win a 'buy one cheeseburger, get one free' coupon from Burger King. It wouldn't have been difficult.

In turn, I propose a federal law that bans fake Christmas trees and extensive outdoor Christmas decoration in November. On Dec. 1, let the games begin. This way, the Christmas spirit can simultaneously ignite all those who celebrate the holiday.

As for takedown, the law would allow for you to leave the décor up as long as you want, seeing it's down by the beginning of the following November.

Editorial

Another day, another chance to get it right

Congratulations Democrats. Though you may be divided on a number of other issues, you agree on one thing—you don't like George W. Bush. And that agreement was enough to win back Congress and hopefully reinstate the checks and balances system written into our Constitution.

It seems checks and balances has been lacking lately as the formerly Republican Congress didn't exercise its constitutional duty to oversee the president's behavior and reprimand him if necessary. According to several newspaper articles, the president lied to the media and possibly some of his cohorts about Secretary of State Donald Rumsfeld's resignation; he said everything was peachy. Apparently not as they'd been planning the resignation for a while. That's just politics, though. Oversight has been neglected in every area of U.S. policy—from the war in Iraq to Bush's suppression of basic civil rights and liberties.

Remember his attempt to make a constitutional amendment stating gay marriage was a union solely between a man and a woman? Congress barely showed up on that one. Thank God it wasn't a security issue.

But now it's a different situation and the Democrats have a chance to make some changes. In all likelihood, U.S. policy toward Iraq won't change much—at least not right away. Bush is still in power and as Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. military, he can do pretty much whatever he wants through executive agreements. Congress doesn't count in that regard. Hopefully, though, it will do its job and limit the chances of another Abu Ghraib prison scandal. Maybe they'll even look at the military having its own court system outside code law and decide it's unconstitutional, because hey—it is. Where the Democratic

Congress will be able to wield its power most effectively is in domestic policy, specifically the appointment process. The Senate has the power of "advise and consent" in the appointment process as an appointment requires a two-thirds senatorial vote to put a nominee in office.

So, hypothetically, let's say one of our aging Supreme Court justices croaks in the next two years. At best, Bush will be able to nominate a Republican of moderate ideology and have a chance at sneaking under liberal radar. A nominee like ultra-conservative Samuel Alito won't stand a chance. On the other hand, a moderate appeals to both sides of the road and provides a vote that sways the Court and takes it back to the days Sandra Day O'Connor and the swing vote. Though, a swing vote isn't really desirable for either side as it's not a guaranteed outcome; however, it's the best conservatives can really hope for.

Lastly, a divided government can make or break the next presidential election. If the Democrats do well i.e. figuring out some way to withdraw from Iraq, they might have a shot. However, Iraq is a conundrum without a good solution—any way we look at it people will die and we've taken on the responsibility of deciding who they are; Iraq leaves the possibility for huge mistakes that could not only guarantee the Republicans yet another presidential win, but the Congress as well. In that respect, it's all up to the president. Could Bush go back to being a uniter and not divider or will he stay the course?

In the end, though, predictions mean nothing. We're only two days into the new House and the Senate hasn't even been officially recognized yet. Voters did their jobs. Now all we can do is wait and see.

Letter to the Editor

WCSA should take some stands

Dear Editor,

WCSA claims that it does not support organizations for off-campus funding of political causes in order to maintain an impartial position on such matters.

As a political body however, WCSA cannot afford a neutral position in the realm of human rights. To do so does not accurately reflect the values and demands of its constituency and it publicly depreciates efforts on campus and off to address human rights meaningfully.

In fact, WCSA's attempt to

maintain an impartial position makes it appear to have a position of disinterest.

When concerning issues of human dignity and all other instances where social and environmental injustice is present, impartiality is equivalent to tolerance of injustice.

The upcoming School of the Americas Vigil trip is an example of an activity toward which impartiality is not an option. Instead it is an occasion to find a common ground and fully show our schools' united stance on social justice. We do encourage the voice

ing of the grievances of those who have been silenced.

We value the inestimable price of human life. The responsibility that we all shoulder is to ensure the regard of every human being on this planet. Now is a time for the Wesleyan Council on Student Affairs to lead by example. Courage, not impartiality, is what we need.

Sincerely,
 Benjamin Goodrum ('09)
 Co-Organizer of the SOA Vigil
 Tree House Member

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Opinion



Line 'em up

by Ben Walkuski

Ignorant Bush's 2009 departure to be a bright day

"This election is indeed about George W. Bush — and the Congressional majority's insistence on protecting him from the consequences of his mistakes and misdeeds. Mr. Bush lost the popular vote in 2000 and proceeded to govern as if he had an enormous mandate. After he actually beat his opponent in 2004, he announced he now had real political capital and intended to spend it. We have seen the results. It is frightening to contemplate the new excesses he could concoct if he woke up next Wednesday and found that his party had maintained its hold on the House and Senate."

-Editorial, "The Difference Two Years Made," *The New York Times*, November 5, 2006

Though this column will go to press after Election Day 2006, I sit here writing this the day before the big day. And, regardless of what results that Nov. 7 will bring, frightening is right. George W. Bush is the most dangerous man in America. In more than five agonizingly long years, he has simultaneously made the United States among the most feared and least respected countries in the world.

He has wreaked havoc on our country's lower and middle classes, fighting only for his own class: the upper class. His arrogance in leadership is only surpassed by his ignorance: he is out-of-touch with ordinary Americans; he is far removed from the kinds of things we struggle with and hope for; and he is desperately uninformed as to the true state of the union.

What hurts and angers me more than any of this, though, is Bush's hatred, which is a product of his fear, of people who are different than him. Be them people

of color, people without money, people of ethnic diversity, Democrats, women, the nonreligious, liberals, or homosexuals, Bush is about as narrow-minded as they come. He is an idiot for thinking that his way is the best way just by virtue of the fact that it is his.

I have never been afraid to take sides, and I proudly stand on the side of progress. I stand on the side of intelligence. I stand on the side of real compassion—not the rhetorical kind of compassion that you talk about just to get you elected. I also stand on the side of love, which apparently Bush knows nothing about.

I doubt he has spent any meaningful time with homosexuals, for example, probably due to the fact that he's afraid of getting the gay disease. Or maybe he is afraid that one of us will hit on him; please, George, don't flatter yourself. Anyone with a heart open enough for love and a mind open enough for intelligence will tell you that homosexuals deserve the very same rights, privileges and protections as heterosexuals.

Had this been the 1970s, Bush would have been just as against women's rights as he is against gay rights today. Had this been the 1950s, Bush would have been just as against civil rights as he is against gay rights today. In a sense, Bush is very lucky; somehow he has managed to land himself the presidency in an era in which the minority group attempting to gain freedom is small enough not to matter as a percentage of the total electorate.

I have always, always believed that our best and brightest days—as individuals, families, communities, and as a country—are ahead of us. And let me tell you this: no matter the results of Election Day 2006, the day that George W. Bush is no longer President—Jan. 20, 2009—will be a very bright day.



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Living in New York City creates an angry attitude



Graphic by Meghan Hensley

When New York bites, you better bite back.

For anyone who has ever been to NYC you know the truth in that statement. You better be on your toes and ready to fight at all times, sometimes that's the only way to get anything done.

I just had to go through a whole rigmarole to cash a check! This ended in me laying down the law in no uncertain terms to a customer service representative and FINALLY being able to cash it an hour or two after I entered the bank. But it's not just the horrible bureaucracy of banks; it's everything. Walking across the

street can evoke shaking of fists and shouted obscenities.

Eating can sometimes be a tedious and unwelcome hassle. I had to go four different places the other day when my friend was sick to try and find chicken noodle soup and then I almost went back to throw a fit because there was no chicken in it. I didn't, I was too

tired. Ohio Wesleyan, and if anyone is reading this who can change it, try to do so—doesn't give us near enough of a stipend to live! If I didn't have the RA position, I would have died of starvation by now, because my father certainly doesn't have enough money to give me. It costs approximately \$100-\$200 to live for a week, and that's with NO extras, that doesn't even include trips to plays, art galleries and clubs/bars which every college student in their right mind is going to enjoy to the full extent while in New York.

The whole issue at the bank though was the last straw and I

had to open up a Chase checking account because I couldn't handle not being able to cash a check without a service fee!

I never really felt like this at home. Where I grew up and at OWU people are nice...yeah, you meet the occasional idiot in your travels that you have to push in the correct direction with a little friendly persuasion. However, the worst screaming fight you might ever have in Ohio is a mere daily occurrence in the city.

I'm generally a nice person. Even if I am so mad at you that I'm seeing red I still am unlikely to yell at you or tell you what I'm really thinking.

Not in New York. In the city I will yell at people in cars and people on the street and people in banks. Everyone gets to know exactly what I'm thinking, whether they're my friends or not.

I'm okay with that. In a way this open expression of emotion is kind of refreshing. I don't know why exactly, but it is. Ultimately when I'm acting like a bitch in Ohio just accept that it's the New York City in me and I have to stay on my toes if I move back here in June.

Cheers and Jeers

Cheers

People who voted:

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

Windows Vista:

While the update for the operating system is needed, only time will tell if Microsoft has fixed the security holes hackers have been able to exploit in XP.

Men's Soccer:

Congratulations on making the NCAA tournament.

Mr. OWU participants and attendees:

Thank you for giving your time and money for a worthy charity

Jeers

Texas' 24th execution in 2006:

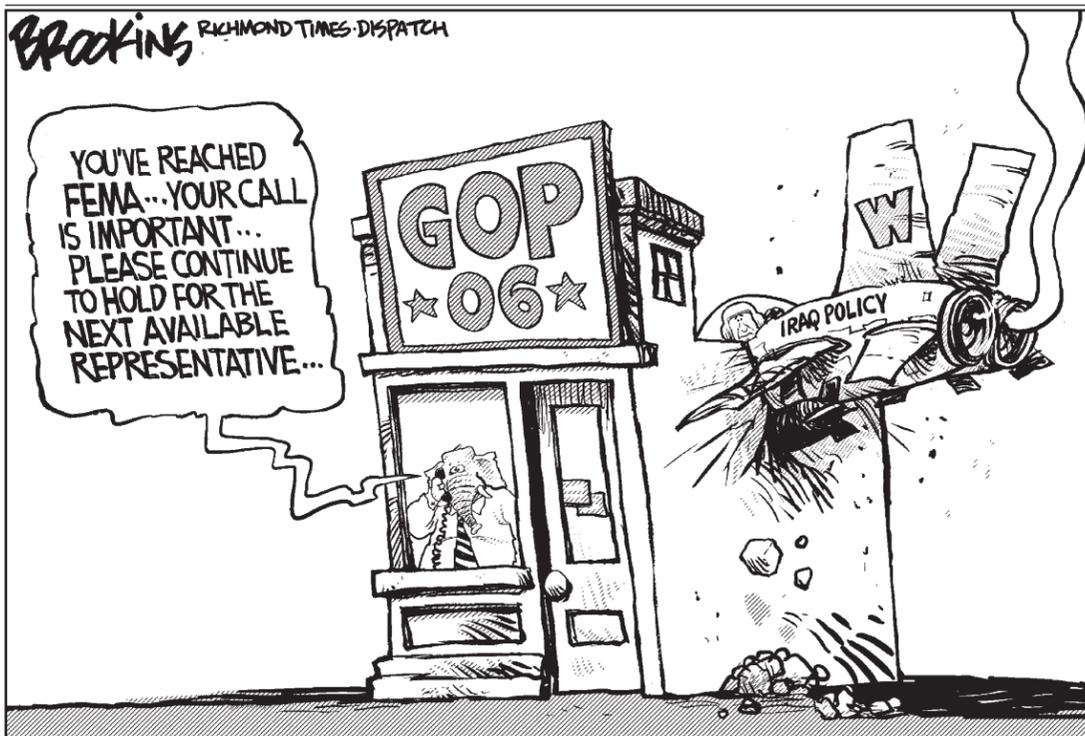
Is there some sort of wholesale rate for the chemicals?

Timing of Rumsfeld's resignation:

Since Bush has admitted they have been working on a replacement plan for weeks, this was clearly a move to steal thunder away from election results.

Arizona's voting award issue:

The measure would have established a raffle of \$1 million to a voter every two years. Voting should be its own reward.



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Recycle The Transcript





Photos by Adam Guy

Above: Mr. OWU sophomore Alex Miller of Sigma Chi woos the crowd and the judges with a medley of songs during the talent portion of the competition.

Top left: Senior Doug Sampson serenades sophomores Cliff Williams and Erik Hauber with a rendition of Adam Sandler's Lunch Lady Land.

Right: Chi Phi's contestant junior Brian Marion (third from the left) was joined by his fellow Ninja Turtles to battle Shredder in a battle to the death. Also on stage (from left to right) are junior Francis Smith, junior Justin Mundhenk and senior Tom Brown.

Phonathon helps Annual Fund

By Perry Booth
Guest Reporter

The annual phonathon, which raises money from alumni, friends and parents, is currently underway. The phonathon's goal is to not only increase Annual Fund donations but to continue its ties with alumni who can't travel to Ohio Wesleyan to make personal donations.

The phonathon employs over 50 students each semester who can work three hours a day, from Sunday to Monday. The phonathon will contact over 5,000 parents, alumni and friends of the University.

The phonathon raised just over \$1 million last year, and this year the goal is set at \$1.039 million.

Phonathon director Candace Ott said "The money is used for scholarships, equipment, student programs, improvements in technology, general maintenance and faculty enhancement. However, the majority of the money raised by the Annual Fund is used to financially benefit the students."

This year the Annual Fund is set at \$3.8 million. The trustees have set a goal of \$900,000 that they will donate themselves and have already accumulated \$500,000.

Ott said, "The students are the voice to alumni on why the need is so important, and the alumni teach the students about philanthropy and giving back."

Elizabeth Doyle, a first time employee of the phonathon, said "I think it is beneficial to phonathon to have student callers. Sometimes the students are the only contact the alumni have with the school all year."

Martim Tomaz, a first time phonathon worker, said, "I do enjoy working there. It gives you a chance to hear a lot of interesting stories about the University's past. Also, it's a great chance to develop your communication skills, something that is very important."

The alumni are called in order of their previous donations. The more they donated puts them higher up on the call list.



Stem cell research breeds ideological squabbling

By Greg Stull
Guest Reporter

There is much dispute between different groups over embryonic stem cell policy, according to an advocate of stem cell research.

Carrie Wolinetz, director of communications for the Office of Public Affairs at the Federation of American Sciences for Experimental Biology, spoke in Phillips Hall Auditorium to a crowd that filled the seats and spilled into the aisles. Her presentation, entitled "Stem Cells and Public Policy," was a segment of the Sagan National Colloquium series, "The Citizen Scientist."

Wolinetz said groups like scientists, ethicists, the pro-life community and patient advocates have different opinions of embryonic stem cell research and what kinds of policies should accompany it.

She said scientists see embryonic stem cell research as an amazing tool with great therapeutic potential, and they don't think policy should restrict it.

Many scientists are bothered by the current policy because they see it "as a prohibition on scientific freedom" and "a policy based on morals and politics and not science," she said.

Wolinetz said patient advocates, like scientists, are interested in stem cell policy because "they believe very strongly in the therapeutic value of stem cell research."

Ethicists are involved in the debate of embryonic stem cell research because it raises the question of where life begins, she said. They worry that allowing embryonic stem cell research may lead to other questionable practices, like reproductive cloning.

She said the pro-life community is concerned about the research

because it strongly opposes the destruction of embryos, which it sees as human beings.

Wolinetz said when the science of stem cell research was first introduced in 1998, it was immediately tied to cloning, which the public was still trying to wrap its mind around.

Though stem cell research is a continuation of many scientific discoveries, it was seen as a major breakthrough when initially introduced. She said it excited the scientific community because of the many treatments it could possibly produce for diseases such as Parkinson's disease and diabetes.

But the introduction of stem cell research to the public was met with much debate regarding its ethicality and the policies that should accompany it, she said. Much of the debate, was spill-over from that of in-vitro fertilization, a technique that preceded stem cell research. In-vitro fertilization involves the fertilization of an egg outside of the body and implanting it into a patient's uterus for development.

Wolinetz said though the policy for in-vitro fertilization prohibits federal funding for research, embryonic stem cell research was not included under the 1999 ban because stem cells were interpreted by the Health and Human Services department to be derivatives of embryos, not embryos themselves.

But President Bush changed this policy in 2001 to allow state-funded embryonic stem cell research but deny it federal funding except when certain criteria were met. This policy is currently in effect.

She said though there were 78 eligible embryonic stem cell lines—populations of cells that

can replicate themselves for long periods of time outside the body—eligible for research under Bush's new policy, far fewer were actually available.

Not only are new embryonic stem cell lines better than the old ones, which are the only kind currently federally funded, but it is hard to represent the world's diversity with a limited number of lines, she said. This limited availability has slowed research and thus the development of treatments.

She said the lack of federal funding for embryonic stem cell research has led states to invest "an enormous amount of money."

"The states have filled the gap in this area of research, in part to be seen as biotech friendly," she said. "We are starting to see more and more states start stem cell institutions, filling the role of the government."

She said while funding for embryonic stem cell research in the United States is restricted, countries like the United Kingdom, Canada and Singapore are funding research generously within their respective countries.

She said the federal policy on funding embryonic stem cell research in the United States was almost expanded under the Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act of 2005.

It passed both the House and the Senate, because many moderate republicans who previously opposed embryonic stem cell research began to support it, in an attempt to better represent many of their constituents who favored it. But President Bush blocked the bill with the first veto of his administration.

"It was a crazy day," Wolinetz said of the day the bill was vetoed.



Bishops Sports



Reflection

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freshman year, I was definitely more quiet, but always excited," she said. "Now, I am far more vocal than I ever was and I look forward to games and am enthusiastic."

Jones said Taylor's leadership helped the team this year, and she will be a hard player to replace next season.

"It will be hard to find someone with the same amount of determination and commitment day in and day out and someone who worked as hard at getting better as Steph did," she said.

Higgins said she learned discipline from working with Coach Marge Redmond and playing at Ohio Wesleyan.

"Sometimes you don't want to get up in the morning," Higgins said. "You don't want to run the extra mile, but in order to become better you need to have discipline in your life with all things."

Even though these three seniors will move onto new things, they said they realize the impact field hockey has had on their lives. Kelley said she wants to one day coach at the collegiate level and Taylor said she hopes to play on a club team.

Higgins said she doesn't think she will continue to play, but said field hockey will always be a part of her life.

"I'm sure one day, when I have to wake up with my newborn baby, look outside and see the morning sunrise, I will think of Marge [Redmond] and field hockey," she said. "It'll always be the small things that remind me of the big things in my heart."



Photo by Jeremy Franz

Freshman Nathaniel Cook swims against Oberlin Saturday. The Bishops defeated the Yeomen 128-75 for their first win of the season are now 1-2 in the NCAC

Volleyball

Graf, Scharf selected to All-NCAC team

Junior outside hitter Steffi Graf and junior libero Jaime Scharf were named to the All-NCAC volleyball team.

Graf was selected to the first team while Scharf was an honorable mention pick.

Graf ranked fifth in the NCAC in digs with 6.66 per game and led the Bishops in kills with 348 and an average of 3.11 kills per game.

Scharf ranked third in the NCAC in digs with 7.05 per game. This is her second consecutive year as an honorable mention selection.

The Bishops lost their final game of the year Friday, losing to Wittenberg in the NCAC tournament semifinal in straight sets. The team finished fourth in their conference as well.

Dague and Warren named All-District

Junior Jamison Dague and senior Josh Warren were named to the ESPN the Magazine All-District IV soccer team. Both were selected to all-district first team and will advance to the national ballot for consideration to the magazine's All-America teams.

Dague, the starting goalkeeper for the Bishops, and Warren, a defender for the Bishops, have been the anchors of a defense that have accumulated 12 shutouts and allowed only 5 goals the whole season.

To be considered for the All-District team, players must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.20 or better and be a starter or important reserve. Dague is a politics and government major and Warren is a zoology major. Both men have a 4.0 cumulative GPA.

The Bishops are currently ranked fifth in the nation and will host Hope College in the first round of NCAA tournament play at 7:15 p.m. Friday at Roy Rike Field.

Senior Tom Thome high steps towards the endzone after an interception against Hiram Saturday. The Bishops defeated the Terriers 58-0 in their last game of the year. The team finished with a record of 3-7 and were 3-4 in the NCAC. See full story on page 12.



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Bishops Sports



Men's Soccer

Bishops squeak into tournament

By Ted Thode
and Matt Patrick
Staff Reporters

Wednesday, Nov. 1, the men's soccer team thought their season was over, losing in a shootout to Allegheny in the NCAC tournament semifinal match.

Not advancing to the NCAC tournament final game diminished their chances of getting a bid to the NCAA championships.

But the soccer gods were on their side, as they received an at-large bid and will host Hope College tomorrow night at 7:15 at Roy Rike Field.

According to OWU online, this will be the team's 29th appearance in the NCAA tournament, which senior Kevin Lehman said is more than any other NCAA soccer team.

"It's a pretty big deal considering we weren't automatic qualifiers," Lehman said. "Even though we didn't win our conference tournament, our undefeated record made it possible to get an at-large bid."

Coach Jay Martin said he was

not surprised the team received an at-large bid, despite saying after the Allegheny game that he did not think OWU would make the tournament.

"I was under the impression there were only 10 at-large bids," Martin said. "I later realized there are 17 bids so I figured we would get one."

Hope (14-4-1) got into the NCAA tournament by winning the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Championship.

Martin said he does not know much about Hope, but he does know their losses came early in the year and that right now they are on a 13 game winning streak.

"A strong team on a roll could be a problem," Martin said.

The Bishops will have their hands full against Hope junior Dan Tresslar, who leads the team with 29 points.

Senior captain Craig Neal said the NCAA tournament is a whole new season for everyone. Neal said every game is a battle for the National Championship and against Hope it will be no differ-

ent.

"It's going to be a 90 minute battle," Neal said.

Martin said the Bishops' defense doesn't give up too many goals and the key to victory will be getting on the scoreboard first, early in the game.

"The year we won the national championship [1998] we scored a goal in the first 10 minutes of every game in the tournament," Martin said.

Sophomore Dan Bryant said key players like junior Ben Brewer and senior Josh Warren are returning from injuries which will give them a boost going into the tournament.

Lehman said leadership from veteran players will be crucial to success in the tournament.

"[Senior] Brandon Bianco has been playing incredibly well and the team will be looking to him for moments of brilliance during the tournament," Lehman said.

"Jay Martin has also been very successful [in the tournament]. His leadership and experience in the tournament will help us out a lot."

Junior Nick Skoczen said even though it's an NCAA tournament game, the team needs to mentally prepare like it's any other game. Also Skoczen said home field advantage will be crucial to victory.

"It can be intimidating for the other team if there are a lot of fans there," Skoczen said.

According to Hope's website, it will be the fourth time that Hope and OWU will meet in the post-season. OWU has a winning record of 2-1 against the Flying Dutchmen and won the last meeting 2-0. Hope coach Steve Smith was not available for comment.

Neal said he thinks the team has everything it needs to make a deep run into the tournament.

"Defense wins championships and we have one of the best defenses in the nation," Neal said.

Also, tomorrow at 5 p.m., another first round NCAA tournament game will be played at Roy Rike Field when Ohio Northern (15-2-5) will face Transylvania (14-2-1). The winners of both games will square off Saturday at 6 p.m. at Roy Rike Field.



Photo by Jeremy Franz

Junior Patrick Trenor forces the ball out of Hiram quarterback Matt Pratt at Saturday's game. The Bishops capped off their season with a 58-0 win over the Terriers.

Football

Team ends year on high note

By Tim Rosendaul
Guest Reporter

Senior day at Selby Field was capped off by a 58-0 thrashing of the Hiram Terriers—the first shutout for the football team since Sept. 15, 2001.

The Bishops finished 3-7 this year while going 3-4 in the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC). The Terriers' final record was 0-10.

The Bishops got off to a great start when they took the opening kickoff and went 69 yards in six plays.

Junior quarterback Steve Hymes moved the Bishops into scoring position with a 42-yard pass to junior split end Zach Dennis.

Three plays later, senior halfback Nick Rice scored the first of his three touchdowns with a 2-yard run.

After the touchdown, Rice received an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty for excessive celebrating. Rice pretended that the ball was stuck to his hand and used his foot to kick the ball off.

"I did it because it was my last game, but in the end it was all in fun and meant no disrespect to the opposing team," Rice said.

Hiram's first possession ended quickly when senior defensive

back Kyle Sherman made a diving interception at the Bishops' 27-yard line.

The Bishops then moved 73 yards in seven plays to go up 14-0, with Hymes finding Dennis for an 8-yard touchdown pass.

Things didn't get any better for the Terriers; on the ensuing kickoff the Bishops recovered a fumble on the Terriers' 25-yard line.

A few plays later Hymes connected with sophomore tight end Terrance Raeford for a 5-yard touchdown pass, making the score 21-0 with 6:40 left in the first quarter.

The Bishops dominated the first two quarters, and went into halftime with a comfortable 45-0 lead. Their defense forced five turnovers, which all led to scores.

In the third quarter, the Bishops' coaches pulled some of the starters to give the younger players playing time.

Coach Pat Delaney said getting every player on the field for the game was important.

"It's a goal for us for every game to get everyone on the field and also to let the younger players gain experience for next season," Delaney said.

The Bishops drove into the end-zone two more times in the

second half, as Rice had a 25-yard rushing touchdown — his third of the day.

The second score came on a 2-yard rushing touchdown in the fourth quarter by sophomore halfback Zach Rojeck.

Hymes accumulated 92 yards on seven carries, one rushing touchdown, and completed 7 of 12 for 131 yards and two touchdown passes.

Rice finished the day with 78 yards on 12 carries.

Top leaders defensively were senior cornerback Tom Thome, junior cornerback Matt Weisman, and senior defensive end Owen Case.

Thome tallied two interceptions, returning one 75 yards for a touchdown.

Weisman led the team in tackles with seven, and Case had three tackles, 1 1/2 for a loss, and recovered a fumble.

Going 3-1 in their last four games, it was a moral victory for the seniors and the team.

Case said it was important to his senior class and the team that they win the last game of the year.

"It means a lot to the team because of all the close losses this year, but also to us seniors being able to win our last home game and going out on top," Case said.

Field Hockey

Seniors reflect on career at OWU

By Drew Lenox
Staff Reporter

Seniors Julie Higgins, Abbey Kelley and Stephanie Taylor have all enjoyed their careers in field hockey at Ohio Wesleyan and have great memories.

The team finished 4-10 this year and finished 17-45 throughout the seniors' tenure, but Kelley said she has no regrets.

"I loved every experience that I had with this team and being in this program," she said. "I have become friends with some of the most amazing people and I know that I will always have them in my life."

Taylor said she considers herself lucky to have had the experience.

"I will always remember that I was able to play four years of varsity level collegiate athletics, and that is something not everyone has the opportunity to be a part of," Taylor said.

Junior Katie Jones said her senior teammates each brought something important to the team.

"Julie Higgins is probably one of the funniest girls I have ever met," Jones said. "Her biggest role on our team was just her being herself and making sure everyone had a smile on their face, even if it was at her expense."

Jones said Kelley's importance to the team came through her physical ability and her work and leadership in the off-season.

"Abbey [Kelley] is probably one of the fastest girls in the league, and this year she really used her speed to blow by defenses," Jones said. "She put in so much time in the off-season, creating our off-season workout and organizing everything so we could be as successful as possible this year."

Taylor said she grew as a player and as a leader throughout her four years.

"When I first joined the team

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Sports Briefs

Volleyball

The volleyball team lost to Wittenberg in the NCAC semifinal match Friday in three straight sets, 17-30, 14-30, 22-30.

The Bishops finished their season with a 22-9 record and were 9-7 in the NCAC.

Men's Swimming

The men's swim team defeated Oberlin 128-175 Saturday for their first win of the season.

Freshman David Getz won the 200 and 500 meter freestyle events with times of 1:52.16 and 5:10.39 respectively.

Getz also combined with freshmen Kevin Fahey and Andrew Sisson, and sophomore Brian Fahey to win the 400 medley relay in 3:55.44. Sisson also won the 100 meter freestyle in :54.20.

Freshman Jaimito Fuentes won the 200 breaststroke in 2:26.34.

Freshman Brad Russell won the 1-meter diving event.

Women's Swimming

The women's swim team also had their first win of the season, beating Oberlin 134-103.

Senior Whitney Snow won the 500 and 1000 freestyle events with times of 5:24.69 and 11:04.14 respectively. Junior Katherine Donnan won both 1-meter diving events.

Freshman Kendra Klossner won the 50 meter freestyle in :26.08 while senior Christina Schilling won the 100 meter freestyle in :56.68. Sophomore Jessica Egnatuk won the 200 meter breaststroke in 2:42.42.

Calendar

Friday:

Men's soccer NCAA first round game against Hope College at 7 p.m. at Roy Rike Field. Admission is \$3 for students.

Saturday:

If the men's soccer team defeats Hope College Friday they will play the winner of the Ohio Northern-Transylvania game at 6 p.m. at Roy Rike Field.

Men and women's swimming hosts Baldwin Wallace at 1 p.m. at the Pfeiffer Natatorium.

Men and women's cross country travel to Hanover for the NCAA Great Lakes Regional Championship.