



DiFranco/Yost take 80%

By Phil Salisbury
Editor-in-Chief

Sophomore Tricia DiFranco and junior Joey Yost are the new WCSA President and Vice President, respectively.

"We're very proud that we won," Yost said. "We're looking forward to getting to work this year and next as President and Vice President."

DiFranco and Yost received 359 of the 451 votes cast, or 79.6 percent of the vote, said senior Marie Rymut, WCSA President. Their opponents, juniors Nathan Truman and Jonathan Distad, received 89 votes, or 19.7 percent.

Student turnout declined for the second year in a row, with only 25.5 percent of the student body casting ballots. Last year, 29 percent of students voted while 41 percent voted in 2005, according to Rymut.

DiFranco said one of their main goals is to unite the campus more.

"We want to foster a greater sense of community, with Homecoming, the President's Ball, and have community days that sort of thing," DiFranco said. "The new student center is a great way to do this. We want to continue to renovate the student center so it's fully functional."

DiFranco said another goal is to improve campus life.

"We want to push campus improvements like dorm renovations," she said. "That's a long term process, so we want to start talking to trustees as soon as possible."

Yost said another goal they have is to increase the visibility of WCSA.

"Hopefully through the website, more Town Hall meetings, and coverage in *The Transcript*,

we'll create a greater sense of understanding with the student body," he said.

DiFranco said she and Yost will start a transition process to replace Rymut and senior Dale Stewart, WCSA Vice President.

Rymut said there will be elections for class representatives and for Senior Class President. There will be a mandatory meeting for interested candidates tomorrow at noon in HamWill 210.

Rymut said WCSA hopes to increase voter turnout by adding a ballot question to these elections, which will take place on Wednesday, April 25.

"One ballot issue will be a vote to determine which businesses will join the off-campus food points program," Rymut said. "The Residential Life Committee is figuring out full list of candidates."

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Photo by Emily Bigelow

Ed Kahn, right, professor of theatre and dance, helps his son Sammy, 4, collect Easter Eggs during Kappa Kappa Gamma's Easter Egg Hunt.

Empowerment has a home

House of Empowerment created after Habitat House disbands

By McCarton Ackerman
Staff Reporter

Several Ohio Wesleyan students, whose backgrounds range from upper-class suburbia to the projects, will work together next year to empower local youth.

The House of Empowerment (E-House), created by sophomore Amir Paul, is the newest Small Living Unit (SLU) on campus. It will be replacing Habitat for Humanity (HFH) next year.

"HFH decided not to renew their status as a house due to a lack of interest," said Julia Brooker, the Residential Life Coordinator for Hayes Hall. "They served a great purpose for this community, but it's time to move on."

Paul said his experiences growing up in Washington, D.C. inspired him to create a house that would work with children in the community.

"As a foster child, I have seen

the ramifications of a child without direction," Paul said. "Every house member is passionate about helping children in any way possible."

The E-House is comprised of eight sophomores and two freshmen, but was originally created by six male sophomores. The remaining four members, two of whom are women, were selected through an interview process.

The house submitted their proposal to Residential Life last month. Each member wore a t-shirt with a letter that collectively spelled out E-M-P-O-W-E-R-M-E-N. The remaining "T" stood for "Time is now," a statement made by senior Marie Rymut, WCSA President, at the trustee dinner.

Brooker said she was impressed by the presentation that the E-House gave.

"It was clear they weren't just reading off a piece of paper," Brooker said. "They had great

ideas and were truly passionate about what they were speaking of."

Paul said the house already had a list of programs which they intend to pursue next year. The programs will tackle problems that many children are currently facing.

"Some members will raise money for foundations such as the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation or Leukemia Lymphoma Society," Paul said. "Other members will help children who have had academic or legal problems."

Brooker was confident the E-House would be a positive addition to the current SLU's.

"It's rare to have a chance to be involved with the youth of the Delaware community," Brooker said. "I'm sure they will benefit the University in a positive way."

Paul said the common beliefs and goals of the house members

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Scholarship to honor alumnus

By Matt Patrick
Correspondent

A new scholarship has recently been endowed to honor John N. Chase ('49), a zoology professor who passed away at age 53 while working at OWU. Chase was also vice president of academic affairs and provost at the time of his death.

Peter Chase ('74), son of John Chase, said the endowment will benefit zoology students in high academic status who demonstrate financial need.

"We're hoping this scholarship will give about \$7,000 to a student each year," Peter Chase said.

Zoology Professor Dennis Radabaugh worked with John Chase and said he was one of his important mentors when he start-

ed teaching at OWU as a rookie in 1970.

"I don't know anyone who didn't have respect and affection for John Chase," Radabaugh said. "He had all of the right people skills, he was a terrific OWU graduate and scholar."

Radabaugh said John Chase was also an outstanding artist, which was demonstrated in his biological illustrations and gifted woodcarvings of whales he completed while spending summers on Martha's Vineyard.

Radabaugh said John Chase's death sent a big jolt through the OWU community and he is not surprised at the large response his fund has received.

"He was too young when he had a heart attack," Radabaugh said. "He was an outstanding teacher

and played a major role here."

Peter Chase said that since his father passed away 30 years ago, he and his mother both thought it would be nice to do something to commemorate his life.

"My son, Andrew is graduating this year and since he will be the last Chase of the generation to go to OWU for a while, this will be a nice way to wrap things up," Peter Chase said. "All together, including my father and my mother, my Aunt and my Uncle, my Brother and his wife, myself and my wife, my brother's brother and sister-in-law, Andrew will be the 11th Chase to graduate from Ohio Wesleyan."

Peter Chase said he first contacted Mark Shipps ('70), vice

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African adventure awaits students

By Myra Blackburn
Staff Reporter

The black world studies department has created an abroad program, Ohio Wesleyan and Kenya, for students who are interested in learning about social issues and African culture. The program will start fall 2008.

"Students will appreciate a diverse culture of Eastern African and also stay with Kenyan families in Nairobi, Kenya," Randolph Quaye, black world studies professor said. "Also, they will get first hand internship. They will experience Kenya culture, and appreciate the different ethnic groups of Kenya."

He said students will take a three week traveling seminar to two Eastern African countries, Mombasa and Tanzania, Uganda where they will have the opportunity to learn the Swahili language. He said those already taking this particular language course will take Swahili 225.

Quaye said the program is open to all sophomores, juniors, and seniors. He said he plans to extend the program to GLCA colleges such as Wooster, Oberlin, Kenyon, and Denison.

The program is also a pertinent continuation of the OWU attempt to internationalize the college curriculum, Quaye said.

"This program started about two years ago when we revised our curriculum for BWS Program," Quaye said. "Last year we had two discussions with BWS committee. A formal proposal was submitted this fall to Academic Policy Com-

mittee (APC). After series of discussion, they approved it for the next fall 2008."

Quaye said the program is highly recommended for students interested in medical systems, music, art, literature, religion, environment, and social policy and economic development. It offers an unique opportunity to learn about these complex issues on an academic setting through personal, cultural, and ethnographic research experiences.

"The program is equivalent to Ohio Wesleyan tuition," Quaye said. "Students will complete an application form, and a one page essay explaining their interest in this program, special interest and have taken a black world studies course before."

"After applications are in, three members will review the application. We hope to select a maximum of 20 students from different departments such as sociology and anthropology, journalism, international studies program, women and gender studies program, and pre-med."

Other courses that are being offered for the fall semester 2008: Eastern African culture: literature, economy and political development BWS 300.3, women, development and the environment BWS 300.4, African medical systems BWS 300.5, and internship in Kenya BWS 400.2.

According to OWU's catalog course description for black world studies, the purpose of this pro-

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Owen and Redding win with 1 vote

By Phil Salisbury
Editor-in-Chief

In the other election held yesterday, juniors Ben Owen and Meagan Redding won the positions of WCSA Treasurer and WCSA Secretary respectively, each running unopposed.

Owen and Redding received one vote each, on a ballot created and cast by senior Paul Krog, WCSA representative. The WCSA had not created a separate ballot for those positions, since there was no choice in the race and eliminating those ballots would save paper, time and confusion, Rymut said.

"We wanted to be more eco-friendly," she said.

But WCSA guidelines require a

ballot cast for the winner, even if it means just one vote.

Krog said he realized the oversight yesterday morning. Krog said the election guidelines have no requirement about a minimum number of votes needed to make an election official.

He took a president-vice president ballot, crossed out the names, and wrote in Owen and Redding.

"No one was running against them," Krog said. "The [WCSA election] guidelines don't say anything specific on how to cast ballots. It was just a formality. No body else filled out the paperwork [to run]."

Senior Jason Ramsey, WCSA treasurer, said no other candidates met the election guidelines for running.

"You have to submit [signatures of] 10 percent of the OWU student body," he said. "Ben and Meagan did that. Ten percent may not seem like a lot of people, but candidates have to put forth effort this way. It's the way it's always been in WCSA. That's the way they've been written."

Ramsey said WCSA was not depriving students a choice in the election because there was only one candidate.

"Last year, I was the only one who ran for treasurer, and we got flack for making a ballot with only one candidate," Ramsey said. "We would have liked it to work out differently. We postponed the election back a week so students would have more time to register, and publicized this heavily.

No one else did it. There was no choice [for those two positions]."

Ramsey said he was glad Krog noticed the problem.

"Had Paul not noticed, we would have been without an official ballot cast," Ramsey said. "It is actually no different if one person is 100 percent or 8 million people are 100 percent of the vote."

Krog said he thought it did not matter that a ballot was not offered to everybody.

"We've deprived the rest of the student body for a choice they didn't have," he said.

"If you were at a restaurant and I offered you chocolate cake, chocolate cake, and chocolate cake, you have to have chocolate cake," he said.

News Briefs

Alumni play "alleyball"

The independent film "alleyball" will be shown tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Strand Theatre. The film was directed by Ohio Wesleyan alumni Johnny Ray Meeks and Dan Consiglio; following the screening, Meeks and Consiglio will be available for a question-and-answer session.

Speaker to focus on ethics and leadership

Tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Ham-Wil Benes Room Roy J. Lewicki, Nancy Koury King, and Michael J. Mozenter will be hosting a seminar titled "Leadership and Ethical Behavior". In 2003 Heisler Business Ethics Lecture Series hosted a panel discussion focusing on "Business Ethics After Enron."

Spring Funding meeting to be held

In order to ensure funding for the 2007-2008 academic year, student groups must turn in budget requests to the Student Activities Office by noon tomorrow.

Housing applications due tomorrow

The deadline for general housing applications is due tomorrow at 5 p.m. in the Residential Life Office. General housing selection is Wednesday, April 18 at 5 p.m. in the Benes Rooms.

Summer classes forms due

Summer Session Pre-registration deadline is Friday, April 13. Summer Session Brochures are available at Registrar's office, Library and Ham-Wil Student Information Desk.

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gram is to expose OWU students to liberal arts and to seek and develop students with the understanding of self, appreciation of others and willingness to meet with the responsibility of civilization in a free society.

Quaye said students who are interested should contact him in the black world studies department in Slocum, or email rkquaye@owu.edu or extension 3833 or Blake Michael, associate dean of Academic Affairs, at extension 3275.

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will lead to a successful opening year for the E-House.

"Our life experiences have inspired us to pursue our passion of helping children," Paul said. "Being given a SLU on campus will allow us to be successful in our goals."

More information about the House of Empowerment can be obtained by e-mailing Amir Paul at aipaul@owu.edu.

Correction: Due to an editing error it was misreported that junior Joey Yost was on the Campus Relations Committee in last week's story about WCSA candidates. Junior Nathan Truman served on the committee. The Transcript apologizes for the error.



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Clubs to grab funding pie

By Mike Browning
Correspondent

This year there were 55 requests totaling about \$450,000. The WCSA's average total budget is about \$440,000, which can be higher or lower depending on enrollment. WCSA has \$33,000 for the remainder of this year.

According to WCSA treasurer Jason Ramsey, groups ask for allocations for entire yearly events, such as concerts, comedians and trips. They cover 10 percent of their own funding, and the rest is covered by WCSA.

The WCSA Spring funding budget requests to were due Friday for all campus organizations. Clubs and organizations prepared proposals for their events in the upcoming semester.

Ramsey said he was happy to see several groups request funding this year that did not last year.

"It shows how committed students are on this campus to putting on solid events for different groups of students," Ramsey said.

According to Ramsey, there have been many large proposals, including the campus programming board, which requested an unprecedented \$91,000. This money will be used to sponsor such annual CPB events as Unity Though Music and the Coffee House.

However, many groups wanting large sums of money, which could not be identified by Ramsey,

handed them in late. WCSA will be cutting 5% off their recommendation due to the fact the proposals were not submitted on time.

According to astronomy club faculty advisor Bob Harmon, associate professor of Physics and Astronomy, the only problems with funding his club has faced has been with students making mistakes while filing for funds for trips with administration.

"WCSA has always been good with allocating funds," he said.

According to Ramsey, now that all the requests are collected, a committee will carefully read over and consider each request. A vote is taken to determine which requests will be fully met.

"Everyone looks at every request, and it takes a while because everyone tries to be very meticulous," Ramsey said.

According to investment club faculty advisor, Barbara McLeod, associate professor of economics management, this is the first year the investment club has requested money from the WCSA. It was allocated to them earlier this year so they could send eight students to a conference in Dayton.

"Before this year, our funding came from the Dean's office and the economics department, as well as donations," MacLeod said.

According to Ramsey, each semester there is a clean slate, as they do not want to carry any of this extra money over to next year.

Dinner to benefit cancer research

By Kelsey Guyselman
Correspondent

Delta Delta Delta's annual philanthropy event, Pasta for Life, will be held Monday in the Benes Room. It is a pasta dinner that raises money for St. Jude's Children's Cancer Center.

There will also be a silent auction set up at the dinner. Sophomore Jennifer Dansie, a member of the Donation Committee, said they are working to obtain interesting things to auction off.

"We are getting a copy of the original script for the first episode of 'Entourage' signed by all the cast members," Dansie said. "Hopefully we will also have an autograph from Beyonce. We're really trying to get some exciting items this year."

Catered by Chartwells, the dinner requires dressy attire. Dansie said students who would like to help can donate food points to offset costs, as well as monetary donations that go directly to the philanthropy. She said the event has always been a popular one.

"[The event's] a fun way to meet people in a slightly more formal setting," Dansie said. "Plus it's for a really good cause."

Sophomore Emily Steger, vice president of public relations for Tri-Delta, said they will be tabling soon to sell tickets. Tickets will be \$5 for students and \$7 for the general public. She said the sisters are working towards a big goal this year.

"Tri-Delta Nationals has pledged to raise \$10 million over ten years for St. Jude's," Steger said. "It's one of the biggest pledges ever, so we're really hoping for a big turnout. We want to get everyone involved."

Sophomore Jessica Kleinman said this is an opportunity to make a difference that could affect her in the future.

"[The event] really helps to raise awareness as well as money for children's cancer research," Kleinman said. "I think about how it could impact my life when I have children. What resources do I want to be available for them if they need a cure?"

Taking back the night



Photo by Emily Bigelow

Students gather in front of the Women's House to watch a bonfire during Take Back The Night, which took place Thursday, March 29. The bonfire concluded a march around campus.

Admissions uses software to help track prospectives

By Lynne Albers
Correspondent

Prospective students will be receiving personalized attention with new software in the admissions calling center. The software was installed before spring break and callers started using it last week.

Junior Emily Bigelow, a call center supervisor, said the software enables callers to reach more prospectives in less time with less busy work.

"We no longer need to choose a name off a list or manually dial their number," Bigelow said. "The software brings up a name, automatically dials their number and gives us all of their logged information so we know how far they are in the admission process, whether they've been on campus, what they're interested in and how many times we've called them."

"The whole idea is to provide more qualified and informative calls," Leann Kendzerski, associate director of Admissions and Financial Aid, said.

Kendzerski said the software, CampusCall, was purchased from RuffaloCody, a marketing company for non-profit organizations.

Junior Erik Unverdruss said the software works by accessing a database of prospective students.

"Leanne assigns portions of the database to our individual log-in," Unverdruss said. "After we enter our name and ID, names are randomly selected from our portion of the database and calls are [started] by the push of a button. Once a call is completed, a new name is automatically selected and immediately calls that person."

In addition to all the basic information, the database has an event calendar for each prospective showing what they've recently been involved in, like a play or a Concert, Kendzerski said. She said this helps the caller provide a personalized and more comfortable conversation.

Kendzerski said there is also a personalized script students can follow depending on the prospective's response to each question.

Bigelow said the training process was mostly mock calling.

"Leann was there to guide us through the program, but we used her cell phone number to practice using the software," Bigelow said. "It was a learning process based more on experimentation and

personally getting to know the software."

Bigelow said there were a few kinks to get out but eventually things ran smoothly.

"I think at first we were intimidated by new software that automatically calls people without allowing us time in-between to breathe or re-group, but we're adjusting," Bigelow said. "After [more experience] we'll learn to cope with the faster pace."

The three callers that were interviewed agreed the software is a faster pace and more efficient than the manual method.

"I do think the software is an improvement," sophomore Melissa Demarest said. "In the long run it will allow us to get in touch with more prospective students and it will help us be more helpful and informative allowing them to get a better idea of OWU."

Bigelow said the software increases productivity.

"I'm glad the Admissions department finally got software making the call center more official," Bigelow said. "With this new software we will be able to hire more callers and can expand the number of prospectives we call within a week."



Photo by Emily Bigelow

The Kappa Kappa Gamma team, front, races against the Kappa Alpha Theta team in the whale race portion of Anchor Splash on Friday hosted by Delta Gamma.

Group proceeds without SLU

By Andrew Newhouse
Correspondent

Habitat for Humanity will be without a house on campus next year, but not without a home in students' minds.

Habitat for Humanity International is a nonprofit program that seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness around the world. Students and Chaplain Jon Powers created an affiliated club to conquer this goal locally. They give up their Saturday mornings to work on projects around the community and hold meetings Thursday evenings to discuss Habitat projects and events.

In recent years, the club participation on build days has been down. Sophomore Milda Maciuleviciute, current secretary of Habitat for Humanity, said reasons for this might be because of the scheduling.

"There has been a particular

lack of interest in the attendance on build days that are always scheduled at an early time on Saturday mornings because this is the most convenient time for the workers that are necessary for supervising," Maciuleviciute said. "Thus the lack of attendance for build days is fairly understandable considering that it is a poor time for college students to have motivation in order to wake up and work voluntarily."

Sophomore Kelsey Guyselman said that if it weren't early on Saturday mornings, she would be more likely to show up.

"I love community service and habitat is a great way to give back to the community," she said. "But Saturday mornings are a hard time for me. I usually have late nights on Fridays because it is the beginning of the weekend. Maybe if it was later in the afternoon or Sunday afternoons, I would be more willing to get involved."

Senior Sarah Manor, current president of Habitat for Humanity, said that publicizing the club more would help gain support and members.

"More advertising is the key to attracting more people," Manor said. "Slice of life and freshman orientation in the summer are great ways to get some fresh blood in the program."

The Habitat house will be gone next year. Sophomore Katie Rieman, upcoming president of Habitat, said that it is a shame that there will be no house because it was nice representation of the club on campus.

"I'm sad because it was a unique SLU and had a lot to offer," Rieman said. "It is a loss because it was put in place to support the group, but I do not think it will hurt the club by not being there. As long as we still have our dedicated members we will be just fine."

Tradition to continue with senior class gifts

By Paige Burton
Correspondent

Records in the Mowry Alumni Center show the senior class gift has been a withstanding tradition at the University since 1967.

Candace Ott, Director of The Annual Fund, and senior class president Rasika Sridhar are the chief operators of the project.

Ott said as a 2003 graduate from The Ohio State University, she does not feel far removed from the gift-giving process.

"We strongly encourage giving for students, especially for seniors, because they are our in-house alumni and while being students, so many have had to depend on alumni support," Ott said. "It is for this reason, we try to instill how powerful giving can be before you even leave campus."

Ott said the senior class gift was proposed by seniors in 1967 who thought it would be something great to do for the University.

"I'm not sure who got up one morning and thought let's start asking seniors to raise money, but a group did form specifically for giving back to their alma mater," Ott said.

Within the past ten years, gifts have included the Stuyvesant Hall computer lab('97), the free-standing JAYwalk Clock ('98), an amphitheater ('99), stained glass window restoration('00), the Beeghly Library art gallery('01), a brick walkway to Slocum Hall('02), an astrolabe rotunda('03), the Beeghly Library Café('04), an endowed fund('05), and last year's gift, the India mission trip('06).

Ott said gifts used to be for specific restoration projects, but some classes didn't fulfill their monetary promises.

When this occurred, Ott said she'd have to decide whether to continue raising funds for that project, stop it all together, or determine what amount of money could be taken from the University's Annual Fund to supplement the project.

Previous donors

Ann Manby ('02) said she remembered receiving a letter about donating a certain amount to buy a brick for the walkway to Slocum Hall.

She said parents were also called to see if they were interested in buying a brick for their son or daughter.

"It was really great to come back to the University and find my brick," Manby said. "In fact one of the younger girls in my sorority family directed me to my brick

before I had even met her and the experience was all the more rewarding."

Ott said problems arose with the class of 2003.

"They are the class with the astrolabe rotunda by Alvin Sher," Ott said. "It was here on campus, then taken away and then they wanted it to come back."

Ott said the astrolabe rotunda was a \$2,500 gift and took two years to pay off using the Annual Fund Office's budget.

Following this issue, Ott said there is now an institutional rule that if students want to bring something to campus they not only have to pay for it, but they have to pay for an endowed fund for it to be maintained as well.

"It makes sense as expensive projects are difficult to process, but to implement the new rule would mean seniors would have to give \$50,000 which is just not feasible," Ott said.

Annie Baymiller ('04) said she signed an agreement to either donate money for a certain number of years or to give one flat payment.

Her class gift, the construction of the Library Café which opened March 2006, took two years to raise money for she said, but has been a great attraction to current and potential students.

Ott said the class of 2005 decided under her direction, to contribute money to a Trust Fund which would then be invested and used to build a class monument or for scholarships in memory of whomever they wished.

"When you come back for your 20th, your 50th or if you get a lot of money and come back for your 5th, these would probably be the most appropriate times for a nice project on campus," Ott said. "A lot of universities go all out on their 50th."

A couple years ago, the class of 1954 gave the University \$2 million it had raised since graduation, Ott said. The president of this class, Jack McKinney has been such a great volunteer Ott said.

"He feels like he has to give back and wants to give back because while he was here and as he is from Delaware, a couple of Delaware businessmen anonymously paid for him to come," she said. "So now he does whatever he can to help students who really want to go to OWU but just can't afford to pay their way."

What seniors think

As a way to determine what current seniors know about the

senior class gift, survey questions were asked to seniors by Journalism Professor Jim Niedbalski's advanced journalism class.

Of the 79 seniors interviewed, 53 said they were willing to donate money for a gift leaving 26 against the idea.

These seniors came up with a few gift ideas, including trees, benches, statues, fixing-up the weight room, turning Bishop Café into a bar, putting picnic tables with umbrellas on the JAYwalk, constructing an ice-skating rink, making a Rocky's Satellite Store or creating a benefit ceremony.

Senior Michael Mucher is considering donating \$20.

"I was thinking a bar might be cool for the student center," Mucher said. "That is if the school okays it."

Senior Matt Garvey said he would be interested in donating a considerable amount because it would be nice to give back to OWU.

Senior Lauren Fellure had never heard of the senior class gift at all and if she had, she said she must not have been paying any attention.

"I guess, it has to do with giving money back to the school," she said. "I wouldn't give back very much honestly, it all depends on what the gift is."

Senior Jerry Adam Burris said he also had heard nothing about the gift.

"All I know is they do it every year and say if I was interested, I would give very little," he said.

Senior Natalie Cuevas said she would donate money as long as the gift goes towards an improvement that would indeed benefit the school in some way.

To senior Chris Guglielmi, he would contribute anywhere from \$5-\$25 in order to have something happen with the Stuy Smoker.

"The gift needs to be something that adds aesthetics to the school," he said. "It would be great to turn the Smoker into a bar so people would go down and use it speak-easy like as they once had done in the 50's and 60's, but it could be neat for karaoke too."

For senior Chris Rabe, the senior class gift is a way for students to leave their mark at OWU.

"If given the option, and as the residential side of campus seems to be neglected in comparison to the academic side, I would probably opt to put something neat around the dorms," he said.

Although some students are unfamiliar with what the senior class gift is or means to the University, they were willing to give amounts ranging from \$5-\$100.



Photo by Lynne Albers

The Library Café was donated by the senior class of 2004.

Gift process begins for '07 senior class

By Paige Burton
Correspondent

Senior Class President Rasika Sridhar, sent out a letter to seniors on Monday, March 19 announcing she would like to continue the legacy of scholarships at the University.

"Many classmates would not have been able to attend OWU without financial aid," she said. "Both the University and donors provided that aid and now it is the seniors turn to give those that follow them a gift."

Sridhar said she believes people have had skewed up ideas about the senior class gift.

"Typically, the senior class president has gone back to the class for ideas and then narrowed them down depending on the feasibility of the gift and the idea per say," she said. "Unfortunately, there has not been much attention given to the senior class president in the initial stages of choosing a gift, so publicizing the gift for turn out is something I look forward to this year."

Sridhar started research in November to see what a sample size of seniors were thinking of contributing, and is currently working with a committee to brainstorm marketing ideas for the gift.

"There were a lot of ideas, but I wanted to make sure the ideas were feasible and practical," Sridhar said. "Seniors tend to have lofty ideas in terms of reconstructions around campus, but again, these are a far stretch."

Candace Ott, director of The Annual Fund said when reflecting on the University, she found that the one thing students think about when they think of OWU is scholarships. And to her, this is only the start of what students can do to give back as alumni.

With Ott, Sridhar said they

looked into what OWU's peer universities are doing.

"Every school has its own fabric and OWU, with its diverse nature has a unique one that makes each senior class president decide which area of the University the class wants to tap into depending on the current needs."

This year senior donations will be given in honor of a classmate, staff, and faculty member, or even a family member.

"It's a chance to say thank you to those who have helped make our experiences at OWU memorable and lasting," Sridhar said.

Students were given the opportunity to sign pledge cards on Wed. March 21 and Thursday March 22 at their Senior Salute. Ott said students had a range of opportunities when they signed these cards.

"By signing the card, seniors are making a commitment to make a minimum payment of \$25 by Friday, April 27," she said. "All students who give a cash gift will be listed on OWU's website and in the Ohio Wesleyan Magazine Donor Report."

This year, students will also receive a golden lapel pin to give to their chosen honoree or a check-book cover to keep from their alma mater.

Ott said her ultimate goal is teaching philanthropy.

"Only 57% of providing the cost to be here comes from tuition," she said. "If people didn't give to the University, we wouldn't be able to sustain it."

Ott said regardless of the gifts or the involvement, the sooner this concept of support sinks in with students, the better. Both Ott and Sridhar recommend students get involved and pay attention to e-mails and class gift tabling in Ham-Will. Sridhar may also be contacted at rrsridha@owu.edu.

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president for University Relations to talk about doing something.

"I told him we were thinking about something like a bench and some kind of a ceremony during commencement weekend," he said. "Mark told me he knew my father and that he thought he was worth far more than a bench."

Peter Chase said he sent out letters to everyone in his family and was surprised at what he was able

to come up with. His contribution was matched by his company and 22 people have now contributed to the fund.

He said the scholarship will be honored during a reception on Saturday, May 12 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Conrades-Wetherell Science Center where there will be a plaque with a photo of Chase beside his artwork of the dinosaur he discovered in Texas when he was fossil digging.

"He was able to bring it back and piece it together at Harvard University while he was writing his dissertation," Peter Chase said.

Shipps said he had class with John Chase when he was a student here and that there was a quick outpouring of sympathy from the people contacted to donate.

"He was one of my better professors," Shipps said. "He was beloved here."

For more information on how to make a contribution to the scholarship contact Lindsey Gale ('98), Assistant Director of Special Giving at 740-368-3308 or lagale@owu.edu.



John Chase

Making it easier for students

Endowed awards require specific criteria, but make significant impact

By Matt Patrick
Correspondent

Wouldn't it be fun if your job involved spending as much money as possible?

That's the case for Greg Matthews, assistant vice president of admission and financial aid who has the responsibility of finding recipients for over 300 different endowed scholarships that fund need based grants and merit awards annually.

Mark Shipps ('70), vice president for University Relations said the minimum amount of money needed to set up a named scholarship is \$25,000.

That money gets invested and is never touched. The interest made annually is then used to aid students.

Matthews said he tries to spend as much as possible by finding recipients for every scholarship however it can sometimes be challenging.

He said people often give money for a purpose or in recognition of something which can make it difficult to spend the money because some scholarships have specific requirements.

"Most donors have specifications," Matthews said. "I tell people exactly where their money is allocated and I make sure it goes to the right place."

He said some scholarships have to go to someone from a particular county in Ohio and if there are no eligible candidates the money will carry over to the next year.

"Some endowments are tightly specified and we look for whoever meets the requirements," Matthews said.

"For the most part we try and use as much money as we can every year."

Shipps said he gets calls from people frequently wanting to start endowed scholarships.

"It happens a lot," Shipps said. "Since I've been here in the past 6 months I've had 10 calls like this and most of them have had a large success."

"We work with the business office to set up [the fundraisers]," Shipps said.

"The hard part is reaching out to people who might want to give and getting donations from as many people as possible. We have helped fund many different scholarships including summer science research projects."

The OWU website states that the 2005-2006 average student award package was over \$18,000.

Shipps said the amount of money they typically raise depends on what they are trying to do.

"In some cases we try and raise more money and that takes more time," Shipps said.

He said it is the financial aid

department's job to determine who will actually receive each scholarship.

Cassie Screngi ('06) was a recipient of the Edward Hobbs Luckett Scholarship fund, an endowed scholarship for history majors.

She said she didn't do anything special to receive the scholarship besides meeting the specified requirements.

She said it was an honor to receive the scholarship and she attended a dinner last year held by the Friends of OWU and was able to meet Mrs. Luckett and many other alumni.

"I realized at that dinner that you may not talk to some of your OWU friends for 10-15 years, but you still share a special bond with all your classmates," Screngi said.

Senior Kevin Lehman said he receives around \$12,000 yearly from the Dean's scholarship. Lehman said he must maintain a 2.75 GPA each semester to receive the money.

"I first received the scholarship before I started at OWU as an incentive for me to come here," Lehman said.

"It provided some extra encouragement for me to choose Ohio Wesleyan."

Lehman said the scholarship has helped his family from a financial standpoint and he is grateful for the school's help.

Commencement search requires much attention

Process focuses on speakers who can relate to OWU and leave impression on graduates

By Aarti Jitender
Correspondent

Commencement speakers provide comforting and inspiring words when most graduating seniors are taking that exciting and scary step into the real world.

While some students may not remember the words of wisdom for long, having a good speaker adds a little extra excitement to an already emotional day.

The search begins

President Mark Huddleston said getting a speaker is an opportunity to expose the university, particularly the students, to someone they may not have had an opportunity to hear before.

"(We) try to find somebody who will be inspirational, maybe somebody who'll be mildly provocative, certainly somebody who'll be entertaining for a little while," he said. "That's what my criteria is."

Senior class president Rasika Sridhar said she started talking to seniors last semester to see who they would be interested in having and then she and Huddleston listed a few speakers in terms of who best fit the university and the probability of getting them.

"We wanted someone who fits the fabric of a liberal arts school and who'd be a good fit through the different disciplines," Sridhar said.

Looking to the past

In the past, Ohio Wesleyan has been able to acquire prominent speakers, such as 2008 presidential candidate John McCain in 1997 when he was an Arizona senator, William Cohen in 1998 when he was the Secretary of Defense and CBS correspondent Byron Pitts ('82) in 2006.

This year, Sridhar said they considered some prominent public figures such as presidential candidates John McCain, Hillary Rodham Clinton and Barack

Obama, political comedian Jon Stewart and retired professional cyclist and seven time Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong. However, due to scheduling conflicts Obama and McCain declined and Stewart and Armstrong both requested a fee which the university did not want to pay.

According to www.allamericanspeakers.com, Stewart charges approximately \$100,000 and Armstrong charges \$200,000. Sridhar confirmed that the prices Stewart and Armstrong requested was in that range.

The website wasn't specific about whether the rate was for commencement speeches or speeches in general. It did add that these prices were just guidelines and weren't always the definite price the speaker charged.

Prices sometimes vary depending on the speakers' schedule, supply and demand, length of presentation, and sometimes they even discount their rates.

"My personal rule is we don't pay people to be speakers," Huddleston said. "We pay expenses and so forth but...I think that (paying people to speak) is a waste of institutional funds."

Wandia Chiuri, senior class president of the class of 2005, said the idea of paying for a speaker had come up when they were searching for speakers in 2005 but they shied away from it because it's an honor to make a commencement address.

They, therefore, wanted to choose someone who'd speak from their heart and was passionate about making the speech and not just because they were being paid to do so.

Alumni make it possible

A number of past speakers have been alumni and while they don't particularly focus on alumni, Huddleston said if there's an alumnus or alumna who fits the other criteria then they would be the best option.

"Having somebody like Jo Ann

Emerson or Byron Pitts for the last couple of years was great because they were both alumni, they both had a lot to say and were really accomplished people in their own right," he said.

He also added getting alumni has an additional benefit because they usually don't charge the university a fee. According to Huddleston, there are a lot of colleges which spend large sums of money, sometimes as high as \$70,000 to bring prominent speakers.

Chiuri said having Emerson as their speaker was particularly powerful because while Emerson said she wasn't an A grade student, she was now a successful and established congresswoman.

"I wanted someone with an [Ohio] Wesleyan connection because the whole point was to show students they too could go out there and make it," Chiuri said.

This shows students that Ohio Wesleyan has produced a lot of successful people, and regardless of the grades students get they are still well positioned coming from this school.

Who gets represented

While commencement speakers over the last 20 years have come from various backgrounds and fields, a significant number have been politicians and journalists. Huddleston said representing various departments is not something they focus on when they are identifying speakers.

"I do try to think about people who would resonate particularly with Ohio Wesleyan...but I haven't, and nor would I be inclined to think about it in terms of, well this year we had a journalist, so next year we ought to have somebody from law," he said.

Commencement is nearly as memorable for the speakers themselves as it is for the graduating students. For speakers who are alums of the school it brings back memories of their own college experience and graduation.

Richard North Patterson ('68),

a best-selling novelist, was the class of 2000 speaker and was also the one who helped get McCain in 1997 and Cohen in 1998 as speakers.

Patterson said he decided to accept the invitation because he'd enjoyed his time at Ohio Wesleyan and remembered what a great day graduation was and he wanted to be part of that again.

He said he had given a couple of graduation speeches, like the one at his law school, but Ohio Wesleyan was particularly memorable because graduation from college is more of a rite of passage into

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-Wandia Chiuri, senior class president of the class of 2005

adulthood than graduate school.

In his speech, he said he wanted to show the role a great college plays to open one's mind and instill tolerance for new ideas and people who are different.

Patterson said since his graduation was many years ago he didn't remember details of the commencement speech, but overall he has pleasant memory of it.

Jo Ann Emerson, class of 2005 speaker, said she thought it was a great honor and was a little nervous when she came back to give the commencement address. Emerson said neither she nor any of her friends remember anything from the commencement speech that was made at her graduation, not even the speaker.

Because of this, Emerson said

during her speech she wanted to say something, even if it was just one sentence, that people would remember.

In her speech she said she wanted to convey to students that one never knows where life is going to lead them and one has to change with circumstances.

"I never imagined I would be giving a commencement speech and would be in Congress," she said. "Just because you are not the student class president, or an important person on campus, it doesn't mean you don't have the ability to reach great heights."

Pitts, who was last year's speaker, said speaking at commencement was a wonderful experience. He thought it was important to do it because many college students he's talked to are apprehensive and unsure of their future, and he just wanted to emphasize the importance of the quality education they received.

He said the world needs the best of the class and the best Ohio Wesleyan has to offer and having gone through college here he knows the quality of students and knows they have a lot to give.

He said the importance of the speaker to the graduation experience depends on the graduate. For him saying goodbye to the people close to him, both friends and professors, held precedence. "I remember the hugs and kisses more than the speech."

He said he was very mindful of this when he was giving his speech. "I just wanted to tell a few jokes, release some fears and honor the university and professors that meant a lot to me."

Huddleston said he didn't go to his commencement and it was something he always regretted.

"It was not cool when I was in college to go to commencement. That was the late 1960s or 1970s and people just didn't embrace ceremony in the same way they used to or that the way they do now. I think we've had a return to some ceremony, which is a good thing."



Arts & Entertainment



Famed sociologist to address cultural issues

Elijah Anderson to speak on violence in the inner city for Butler A. Jones Lectureship

By Maygen Hall
Correspondent

The department of sociology/anthropology is bringing notable professor of the social sciences Elijah Anderson, to campus Tuesday, April 10.

The event is part of the Butler A. Jones Lectureship on Race and Society. The lectureship was formed in 1995, in honor of Butler A. Jones. Jones, who was an OWU sociology/anthropology faculty member who was profoundly involved in the field of sociology through race relations and the civil rights movement.

OWU's House of Black Culture was established in his honor and in 1999, a Butler A. Jones bust was unveiled in Elliott Hall.

The lecture is set to start at 7:30 p.m. in the Benes room.

Mary T. Howard, chairperson and professor of sociology/an-

thropology department explained that Anderson is an outstanding ethnographer.

"He has incredible social skills and is great in getting the community to talk about their stories," said Howard.

According to his webpage, Anderson is a specialist on the sociology of African-American society and teaches courses such as Urban Inequality and Race Relations at the University of Pennsylvania. His lecture is titled "Violence and the Inner City Poor."

Howard said he will speak on the tendency of many inner-city black people to turn to "shadowy" economic activities in order to survive in the community because of racial discrimination.

"The problem is that this increase in violence adds to the negative stereotypes that are vastly untrue," explained Howard.

Senior Thomas Gunn, house

member of the Butler A. Jones House of Black Culture, said he is excited to hear Anderson speak.

"Being a black world studies major, I am interested in what Anderson has to say about the topic and curious to the analytical investigation he has done on the subject," said Gunn.

Gunn also explained that Anderson does a great job of eradicating stereotypes put on individuals in urban centers.

He said that Anderson thoroughly explains the difference between the street family and the decent family and explains how each individual's situation is significant, whether negative or positive.

According to Howard, funds to put on the event were provided by the Provost's office. Howard also explained that the sociology department hoped to get a trust fund started for the lectureship, for its

future events. She stated that Anderson pushed down his fee, for the lecture, because of his friendship with Jan Smith, professor of sociology-anthropology.

"We are the only lecture series on campus devoted to visiting the issues of Black society and these issues need to be visited at least once a year," said Howard.

Anderson has written numerous books on the subject of Black society including his most recent, *A Place on the Corner: A Study of Black Street Corner Men*.

According to the OWU website, past lecturers have included William Julius Wilson, past president of the American Sociological Association and professor of social policy at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and Andrew Billingsley, author of *Climbing Jacob's Ladder: The Enduring Legacy of African American Families*.

'Pride' strikes an inspirational, funny note

By Hassan Nasir
Film Columnist

Every now and then we are privileged to see movies which affect our lives, sometimes positively and sometimes not.

Sonu Goner, director of *Pride*, has tried to revitalize the ideas of hard work and determination in his movie. This is one of those inspirational sports movies, which in uncertain times like these, makes us think persistence and fortitude will guarantee us victory, whether on the field or in our hearts.

The year is 1973, and Jim Ellis (Terrence Howard), a college educated African-American can not find a job. Driven by his love for competitive swimming, Jim converts an abandoned recreational pool hall in a Philadelphia slum into a proper pool with the help of Elston (Bernie Mac), the local janitor.

But when the city officials mark the New Philadelphia Department of Recreation for demolition, Jim fights back by starting the city's first African-American swim team. Recruiting troubled

teens from the streets, Jim struggles to transform a motley team of novices into capable swimmers--all in time for the upcoming state championships.

You may find the blunt racism of the movie hard to believe: I attended a high school 12 miles from Philadelphia and I can't believe a white coach would have gotten away with refusing to swim against a black team.

Yet the heart of the movie is the maturing of the swimmers, and there the movie never falters. Howard's convincing as their mentor, showing disgust and affection and patience as needed, and the kids are all naturals. (The good young cast includes Evan Ross, Diana's son, and Kevin Phillips of Moncks Corner, S.C.).

Racism, violence and an unsympathetic city official threaten to tear the team apart. The persistence of Jim keeps the team together. He tries to convince his swimmers that victory, both in and out of the pool, is within their reach.

The writers and first-time director Sonu Goner do not try to convince us these youngsters are



Photo from <http://movies.yahoo.com>

Jim Ellis (Terrence Howard) prepares his swimming team for victory in the film *Pride*.

Olympians in the making, nor do the swimmers turn around their impoverished neighborhood and become saviors of their people. Instead, they learn to identify talents that make them unique, develop the fortitude to stick with their plans, resist local criminal elements and maximize their potential through hard work. This is what better sports movies are always about.

This movie is based on true events. Many would expect it to

be all serious and melodramatic where a continuous struggle is taking place.

However, this is a movie which is not only inspiring, but also has a good sense of humor. There are times in every person's life when he just hopes but wants give up everything and not even try.

This movie defies those ideas and urges us to go forward. It is all about the struggle at the end of the day. I would say, it is a must watch.

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Sunday: 1:45, 4:15 & 7:15
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**Ben Folds
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There are only two weeks remaining to purchase tickets to Spring Fest. Ben Folds will be the featured musical performer at the event beginning at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 14 in the Gordon Field House. Admission for students is \$10 and admission for non-students is \$20. Tickets may be purchased during lunch in the Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.

**"Nashville Star"
to perform in the
Stuy Smoker**

Today at 8 p.m. in the Stuy Smoker CPB and WCSA will present Meg Allison a finalist from the television show "Nashville Star" who will be performing her music. There will be a dessert buffet as well. All students are welcome to attend.

**Miss OWU
entries
due tomorrow**

The Annual Miss OWU competition sponsored by Sigma Phi Epsilon will be held on Friday, April 20. The event is open to all women's organizations on campus. To participate please contact Gregory Vasami at gvasami@owu.edu or Josh Dougherty at jrdough@owu.edu by tomorrow for the necessary forms.

**Alumni film
to be shown
at The Strand**

Today, the independent film "alleyball," directed by Ohio Wesleyan alumni will be shown at The Strand at 7:30 p.m. After the screening there will be a question and answer period. Admission is free and open to the public.

**Park Avenue Jazz
Ensemble
to perform
in Gray Chapel**

Tuesday, April 10 The Park Avenue Jazz Ensemble, directed by Professor of Music Larry Griffin will perform in Gray Chapel at 8 p.m.



Arts & Entertainment



The horror of the Holocaust

Kalb to reflect on genocide through visual art

By Julia Smith
A&E Editor

Marty Kalb, professor of fine arts, will draw from his culture and artistic background for his upcoming lecture. Admission is free and open to the public.

Kalb will present "Understanding the Holocaust Through Art: Reflections on a Career in Art and World Engagement."

The lecture will feature art works and a video presentation on the horror and victimization of the Holocaust.

The lecture will take place Wednesday in the Hamilton-Williams Benes Rooms at 7:30 p.m. and is sponsored by the International Studies program.

"The purpose of 'Holocaust Portraits' [the video being presented along with the lecture] is to present a dramatic powerful series of visual images that confront the Holocaust as it is revealed in the faces of its participants, all of whom were its victims," Kalb said in a statement.

Kalb said because of his Jewish faith, he has a strong sense of the historic and religious sources for his moral and ethical beliefs.

Kalb said his outrage for any past or present anti-Semitism is understandable. But he said his presentation reaches further than that.

"My goal for this presentation has a broader intent than simply to look back in time. By acknowledging the Holocaust's victimization of millions of innocent people today's viewers both Jew and non Jew can better grasp the horror of all genocide," he said.

Kalb has been working on this project for two years and said the art work is very upfront.

"This artwork does not shy away from graphic reality," he said. "My artistic decisions seek to amplify the historical content and connect historical fact with the viewer's emotions to promote new thinking about the moral and ethical issues that confront us today."

Kalb said all of the featured art work has been digitally manipulated. Some of the changes are obvious, and others may seem to be documentary photographs have been significantly changed from their original appearance through adjustments to texture, color, value, focus and composition.

Kalb said there are a number of different people represented in the presentation.

"There is a time line starting in the late 1930's and concluding in Poland in 1946," he said. All ages and genders are represented."

"Some images relate sequentially developing a mini narrative. Throughout the presentation are

portraits of ordinary men and women who were the administrators and workers at death camps.

"Also included are atypical photographs of senior Nazis officials and some of the doctors who engaged in medical experiments on humans.

"Interspersed are portraits of men, women, and children whose lives and fate were affected by these individuals. There is a short coda of 'post-war' images that show German citizens just beginning to face the reality of what was done by the Nazis to Jews and others. Lastly are faces of the families of Polish Jews who after returning 'home' in 1946 became victims of new pogroms."

Kalb said with this presentation, he wants to show people the reality of what happened during the Holocaust.

"It is my belief that all individuals have the opportunity to improve the human condition," he said.

"But we must first start with a real understanding of the social cultural and historical problems we face.

"This presentation offers viewers an opportunity to consider several important ethical moral and religious concepts. The last one reads 'It is not for you to complete the work but neither are you free to withdraw from it.'"

Easter Bunny loves little ones



Photo by Emily Bigelow

Freshman Sydney Fitzpatrick hugs Sammy, 4, dressed up as the easter bunny for the annual KKG/CX Easter Egg Hunt.



Photo courtesy of Ann Bailey

Kevin Barron ('07) as Hotspur and Eric Carpenter ('07) as Prince Hal. William Shakespeare's "Henry IV, Part 1" will begin at 8 p.m. April 13-14 and April 20-21, and at 2 p.m. April 22. The performances will take place on the main stage in Chappellear Drama Center.

Sparrow v. Rat, duel to the death



One thing is certain. We are not alone in my house, the House of Thought (HoT).

A week ago, I pulled an all-nighter. Around five in the morning I was in my bathroom abhorring the mess that had resulted from the other first floor bathroom being broken, and everyone in the house and all their guests using my bathroom every time they felt a slight bladder or bowel twinge – but I digress.

On the throne, I heard a scuttle in the ceiling ventilation shaft. It sounded as if a house sparrow had penetrated the house's steel, white outer shell. Upon advancing through the shaft, the sparrow must have awoken a large rat from its peaceful slumber.

A death match ensued and it was hard to distinguish who was winning as I sat underneath them on the toilet.

At the outset, it seemed as if the startled rat unleashed a violent flurry of hits on the aimless sparrow, whose wings repeatedly slapped against the walls of the shaft. The rat surely had jumped on the sparrow and pinned it to the floor, gnawing all the while at its vulnerable neck and chest.

Listening from below, it sounded like the death match was over before it started. The poor sparrow had picked the wrong ventilation shaft to explore. The rat was evidently hungry for bird's blood.

But, at that very moment, the sparrow's life flashed before its eyes, back to its youth in the nest, eating night crawlers as a teen, and making out with Betty Sparrow in the old oak tree.

Clearly the sparrow wasn't ready to go.

In one swift move, the sparrow thrust the rat off and hurled it down the shaft. Flustered, the rat shook its head and felt its mouth with its tiny rat foot or arm or whatever its rat limbs are called. It brought the limb to its bleeding mouth and nodded at the sparrow. Then, it motioned with its limb for the sparrow to come.

From below, it sounded as if the ceiling was going to fall down on my head. There was flapping and screeching and scratching and pecking and jack hammering, followed by a silence.

Then, a faint flapping noise slowly made its way down the shaft and away. The sparrow had killed the rat and left it to rot in the darkness. I know this because of the smell.

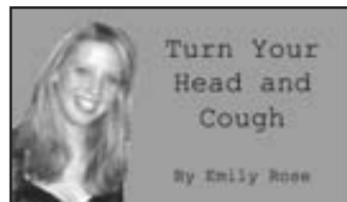
For the past week, the entire HoT has taken to the putrid smell of a dead rat.

The ventilation system has carried the pungent, rotten smell of rat carcass throughout the first floor, including my bedroom, the common room and the annex. I set books over the vent in my room, but the fetid funk only withered the pages and slowly filtered into the room.

Though the smell has considerably died down, the smell will never fully go away. It is on the walls.

It is like that of a couch that has endured too many farts and whenever someone sits down, a gentle ill wind lifts from the cushions and tickles the nose.

Harlequin novels get erotically eaten up



From their trite titles to excessive, uncomfortable adjectives, Harlequin romance novels have always fascinated me.

This weekend at the check-out counter at Kmart I spied one such bodice-ripper and wondered a multitude of questions: do the writers of these books tell their parents that they're serious novelists? Do they live alone, smell like mothballs, own an unnecessary amount of cats and write to cope with their lonely existences? Are they all just sort of perverts?

While none of those questions can be answered for certain, this week I took a stab at writing erotica. So, without further ado, I give you erotica, Ohio Wesleyan style.

"Victoria's Secret," by Emily Rose.

It wasn't long after midnight when Vickie left her dorm room, the light spring air caressing her pale, supple breasts as she slipped into the night. To her peers, Vickie was a model college student with the perfect life, from her 4.0 GPA to her tight, enviable body. But Vickie had secrets.

These secrets haunted her in bed late at night, as memories of her exploits and addictions raced through her mind.

Earlier that evening, as Vickie fastened her tight, faded jeans and pulled her glossy, thick cascade of blonde hair off her slim neck, she thought of these escapades and her deviant plans for the night. She smiled a wicked grin, lost in thought, when she heard the tinny ring of her cell phone. It was her

boyfriend again, most likely drunk and wondering where she was. Vickie ignored the call, grabbed her luxurious designer handbag, and stepped out of her room.

When Vickie arrived on the street corner where she gorged her desires, a crowd had already formed. Some of the people in this sea of bodies were recognizable in the daylight as Vickie's classmates, sleepy and bored and ordinary.

In the night, however, on this corner amid the haze of neon lights of two-drink minimums, they were buzzing, sweaty, and full of ravenousness. Vickie knew why they were there, why she was there too, as she pushed her way through the horde as if in a trance.

In front of this ravished crowd stood the one man the throng came to see. Vickie gave her wicked grin and plunged a few sweaty, crumpled bills into the man's palm.

Almost too overcome with passion to speak, she breathed, "Give me your bratwurst!" and then gave a short, high laugh, almost embarrassed by her own bluntness. The man did as he was told.

With both hands, Vickie plunged the man's sausage past her plump, wet lips into her hungry and waiting mouth.

She worked over the meat with her tongue, moaning, waves of pleasure washing over her sweating, throbbing body.

Finally, in a burst of passion, Vickie swallowed, too satiated to even notice the excess sweet, hot juices dripping down her chin.

"Thank you, that was just what I needed," she panted to the man in front of her. He gave a sly smile.

Dan's Deli never tasted so good.



Opinion



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What a crazy state



If Ohio were an illness, I would diagnose it as bipolar. According to www.bipolar.com, individuals who have been diagnosed as bipolar often exhibit extreme behaviors, the consequences of which interfere with an individual's day-to-day life and can even become dangerous. My intent here is not at all to make light of what is a serious, though treatable, illness in humans; rather, what I am attempting to do is expose our state for what it really is: crazy.

Take its weather, for example. Where else does the season of the year not necessarily have any correlation to the weather outside? Where else are one humid and rainy day followed by a crystal clear and warm sunny day the next, and a frigid, snowy day after that? Only Ohio. Where else can it be well over 100 degrees in the summer and well under 0 degrees in the winter? Only Ohio.

The cold, snowy, and icy weather both interferes with our day-to-day life and is often dangerous. The wet, rainy, and humid weather we regularly experience in Ohio is so ghastly it makes us yearn for the snow day we had just the day before. Then the scorching hot, sunny days provide us with relentless heat from which all we can do to escape is sit in front of the air conditioner.

Politically, Ohio is about as bipolar as they come. Akron, Cleveland, and Columbus are among the state's largest and most densely populated areas—also three of the most consistently Democratic regions in the state. Elsewhere in the state, including Cincinnati and most of the south and south-

east regions of Ohio, meanwhile, are very Republican in their voting trends. This preponderance of both extreme left voters and extreme right voters has made the state incredibly lucrative to both parties in presidential elections, but complicated public elections, which are frequently contested due to such competition.

Educationally, it's not so much that Ohio has two extremes as it does one: an inordinate amount of colleges and universities. Speaking strictly from the perspective of small, liberal arts schools, the list in Ohio is almost unreal. In addition to Ohio Wesleyan University, schools like Antioch, Denison, Hiram, Kenyon, Mount Union, Oberlin, Otterbein, Wittenberg, and Wooster also can add their name to the list of peer institutions. That's a lot of schools relative to a state the size of Ohio.

Additionally, when you look at the kinds of jobs and careers people in the state tend to have, it's almost as though we live in two different states. There are the farmers, who may very well have been following in the footsteps of farmer relatives who came before them for hundreds of years.

Then consider doctors, lawyers, and stockbrokers in the state. Many of these upper-class workers have come from other states, have parents who engaged in completely different jobs, most likely live in urban areas, and quite possibly inhabit a relatively small apartment or condo without any spouses or children to speak of.

The next time anyone starts giving you grief for spending four years of your life in boring, nondescript Ohio, tell them that they are misinformed. Ohio might not be the most desirable place to live, but we're more extreme than we get credit for. Wouldn't you rather live in a crazy state than a sane one?

Editorial

Spend money on speaker

Graduation is almost here and last week Ohio Wesleyan announced that Thomas R. Tritton ('69) will be the commencement speaker on Sunday, May 13.

But is coming to speak because he's not charging an appearance fee or because he's qualified?

In the article on page 5, President Mark Huddleston says he thinks spending money on a commencement speaker is a waste of money, besides covering expenses.

While we agree that the sums of money John Stewart and John McCain supposedly demanded to come speak was gratuitous, the University shouldn't be looking for the cheapest way out.

Things cost money. If you go on the internet and

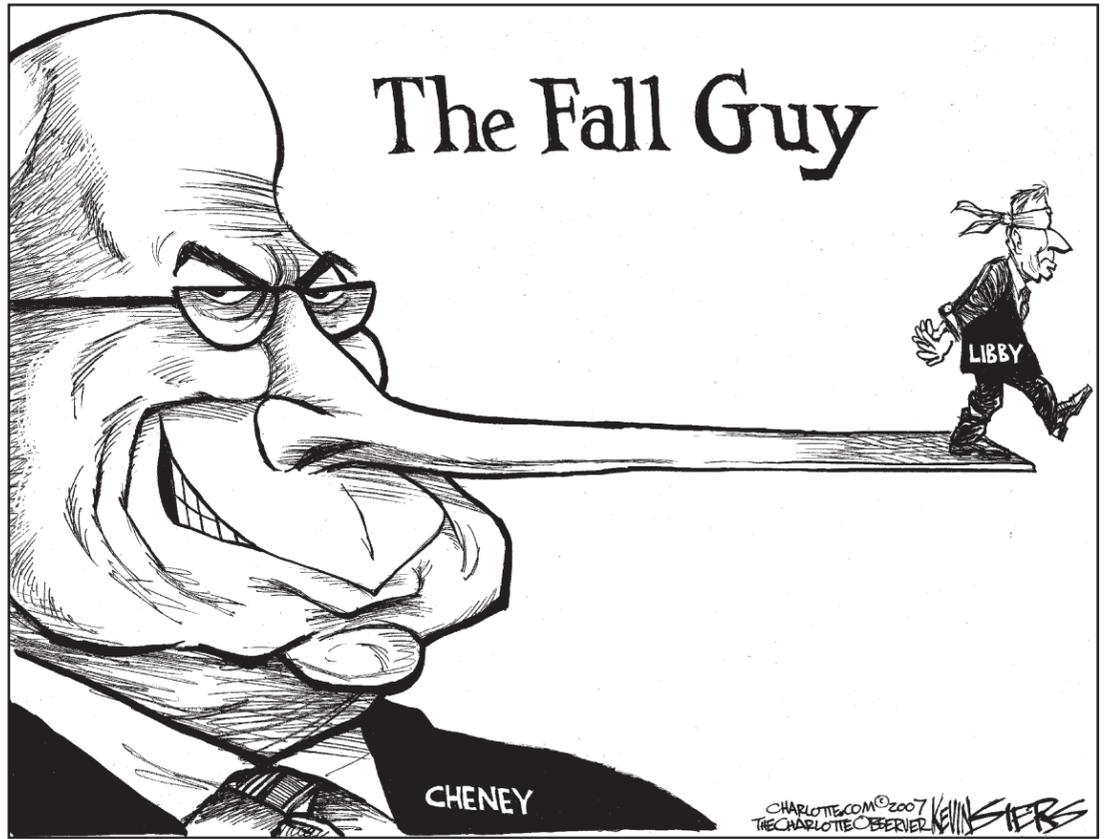
order a book, you can't just pay for the shipping and handling. You have to pay for the book and the shipping.

Having alumni come back to speak is a nice angle to take on commencement, but the article makes it seem like this angle was taken because it's cheap.

Spending upwards of six figures on a speech is not fiscally prudent, but at the same time the University could budget some money into the speaker.

The University spends money on a band for Springfest.

Commencement is the last moment the senior class has at this University while a student. Shouldn't the guest of honor be someone who deserves that title rather than the guest that came for the least money?



Letters to the Editor

'Mock campaigners' were serious

Dear Editor,

There has been considerable outrage and embarrassment associated with the WCSA presidential campaign. Outrage over the (junior Nathan) Truman and (junior Jon) Distad campaign has been embarrassingly expressed on a now defunct Facebook group. We'd now like to express outrage over this undemocratic and unprofessional backlash against two OWU students.

Regardless of the intentions behind Truman and Distad's campaign, WCSA provided them the opportunity to run for office, an opportunity they accepted. No campaign rules have been violated by any of the candidates.

There was considerable concern that Truman and Distad's

joking comments during the executive debate gave a poor impression of OWU to prospective students and their families. WCSA scheduled the debate on the same day as Slice of Life. The suggestion that students are under any obligation to project a certain image for visitors is offensive.

WCSA members who were outraged with the Truman/Distad campaign seem to have confused true seriousness with meaningless formalities. WCSA meetings are often ruled by jargon and guidelines that impede rather than facilitate democracy. Budgetary decisions this year regarding the Club Hockey and Soccer Teams, the School of the Americas Protest, and several others have been under contention. Truman and Distad's irreverent behavior can

be seen as symbolic opposition to WCSA's reverential refusal to break or set precedent.

Yes, Truman and Distad ran a humorous campaign, and their antics were at times both ridiculous and offensive. However, the concept and worth of a mock campaign should not be lost on the student body. If Truman and Distad had not run, there wouldn't have been an election at all, as all executive offices were running unopposed. These two relative WCSA outsiders ran a campaign lampooning the election, and themselves. How could the WCSA election be serious this year with no opposition?

Sincerely,
 Eric Magnus '07
 Rory McHale '09

Public Safety response lacking

Dear Editor,

I am writing to explain how upset I am with the school's Public Safety department.

This past Saturday, the men's Rugby Club had a home game against Denison (which we won by the way). During the game, one of the players from Denison injured his shoulder and needed medical attention. I called Public Safety to have them bring a car to take him over to Grady Hospital so that the player may be X-rayed and further examined. Upon arriving at the

field, the Public Safety officer did not get out of her vehicle to see what was going on, and upon two OWU players carrying the injured Denison player to the vehicle, the first thing the PS officer said was "He is not allowed in this car." Shocked, in unison "Why not?" Only to hear a reply of "He is dirty." I can't allow the seats to get ruined. If he wants to wait 5 minutes I can call a squad car to come pick him up." It was not until an OWU player's mother offered her white blanket that she was using to sit

on to put on the passenger seat of the PS vehicle, that the officer allowed the injured player into the car.

It is not fair to blame an entire department for a single officer's actions. But it does not help the rapport of Public Safety with the students, when they are not concerned with the health and safety of the Public. It truly makes them look as if the only thing they enjoy is writing underage drinking fines and parking tickets.

Sincerely,
 Keith Simon '08

Parking tickets, tire boots, write ups, oh my!

Fines for parking, overdue books and conduct geared to curb student behavior

By Andrew Chase
Correspondent

Parking, judicial and library fines generated \$117,915 in revenue for the University in the 2005-06 academic year, according to George Elsbeck, vice president of Business Affairs.

Revenue from the three fine sources totaled \$141,936 in 2004-05 and \$102,009 in 2003-04. But fines are not just a means for the University to make more money, Elsbeck said.

"Fines are not geared to generate revenue, but to influence behavior," he said.

Though various additional fees also generate revenue, such as late withdrawal from a course, the three main sources of fines are parking, judicial and library.

Parking fines

From residential students running late for class and opting to park in the academic lots, to commuter students visiting a friend in the dorms, to students who cannot afford or choose not to purchase a permit, a \$20 ticket pinned under the windshield wiper is often the result.

Revenue from parking fines alone in 2005-06 was \$82,392, down from \$92,090 in 2004-05, which was up from \$58,632 in 2003-04, Elsbeck said.

Dean of Students John Delaney said the funds from parking fines are assessed from one year to the next and are allocated to the general University fund, to be used in a variety of ways. Parking fines alone are not used for specific needs, but rather blended in with other funds to be used as needed.

"I like to think it primarily goes toward maintenance of parking lots, but it's based on needs," he said. "If the roof of Stuy collapsed, then the funds would be used toward its repair instead."

Delaney said none of the money from parking fines flows through any student life offices. They have no discretion or access to the funds.

Robert Wood, director of Public Safety, said there are no incentives or quotas for Public Safety officers to ticket students, and none of the parking funds go to the Public Safety office.

"We don't want money flowing back to us," Wood said. "There should be no appearance of a conflict of interest. Even if we didn't let it affect us, there would always be the stigma that it did."

Wood said handling parking is tricky. If enforcement is too strict, those without permits will complain, and if it's too relaxed those with permits will complain about not finding a space.

"[Parking] is an issue I hate, because people will always disagree with enforcement on one end or the other," he said.

According to Wood, improvements could be made to the current parking system. He said he is trying to put a committee together with student representatives to establish a more flexible system of parking and enforcement.

"Our goal is always to maximize the space available, which is always a challenge because it varies so often and so much," he said. "Demands vary from year-to-year, month-to-month, day-to-day and hour-to-hour."

Delaney said the price of parking decals was raised in order to

hire two part-time parking attendants for tighter and better enforcement.

"Every few years the issue is brought forward," he said. "Upperclassmen didn't want freshmen and sophomores to [park on campus], but we realized there was enough room for them, so we wanted to accomplish this in a way that made sense. It was decided, if we did a better job of managing those parking areas all students could buy passes."

The minimum parking violation on campus is \$20, compared to \$3 from the City of Delaware if paid by midnight the day of the violation. The minimum Delaware tickets go up to \$5 within 29 days, after which there is an additional \$10 charge. For campus

registered vehicles parking in the College's lots. Parking fines at the other institutions range from \$25 for minor violations to \$100 for major violations such as parking in a handicapped space.

The OWU parking permit is only \$65 for students and tickets range from \$20 for permit violations to \$40 for parking in a fire lane or handicapped space.

Senior Garrett Shipley said he has been ticketed at least a dozen times and been booted twice since his sophomore year. He said having a car on campus without a permit is a frustrating experience.

"[Not having a permit] causes a lot of anxiety," Shipley said. "I feel like I'm constantly looking over my shoulder for PS. When I

Prevention Resources), paid for with fine revenue. After the third offense, the fine goes up to \$150 and the sanction includes mandatory assessment for alcohol and/or drug problems.

"RPR does the assessment, and the University pays for it," Delaney said. "Many feel students should have to pay for this help in addition to the sanctions, but we use fine money to directly pay for those services. We're more concerned that students get the help they need without money standing in the way."

The fine money goes into the Alcohol-Free Fund and also pays for speakers on issues of mental wellness and substance abuse issues, a speaker for new student orientation, to send staff members involved with

constructing or changing judicial policies: WCSA, the Student Life staff and the faculty.

Rymut said the University sets fine amounts initially, but WCSA does have the ability to influence them. WCSA can author a resolution in support of altering a fine, and then the faculty and other appropriate offices must approve it before it is amended in the handbook.

Esler said mandatory sanctions, such as alcohol violations, fire safety violations, sexual harassment and sexual assaults are wholly or partly determined before hand by the constituencies that set the policies. For other non-mandatory sanctions, Esler and four student advisers determine the classification of sanctions when they review each case and decide whether to file judicial charges. The sanction classifications are in the General Schedule of Sanctions in the Code of Student Conduct handbook.

"For instance, not all assaults are the same," Esler said. "Some are minor, some are serious, so we decide the sanction based on severity. Here we are guided by precedents."

The General Schedule of Sanctions range monetarily from \$20-30 for a first offense Class I violation, to \$350-400 for a second Class V violation. The Schedule of Sanctions does not apply to alcohol, marijuana and sexual assault cases. Repeated offenses of the same type of violation result in an increasing fine and other sanctions such as disciplinary probation, suspension and expulsion. Organizations charged with violations pay three times the amount for each sanction, according to the 2006-07 Code of Student Conduct handbook.

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Library fines

The library generated fine revenues of \$14,128 in 2005-06, \$26,913 in 2004-05 and \$19,280 in 2003-04. These funds are credited to the library account and are used for replacement of books and materials, according to Elsbeck.

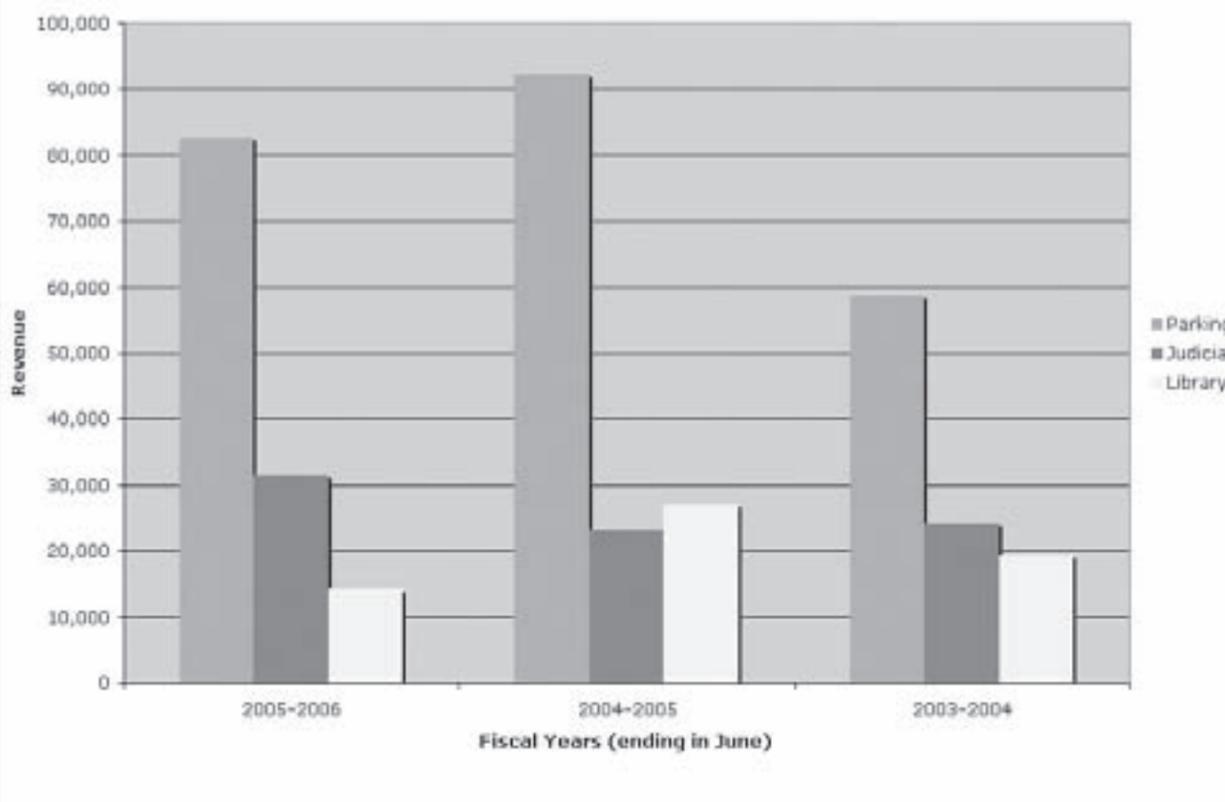
Theresa Byrd, chief information officer and director of libraries, was unreachable for comment.

According to the OWU library website, most books and government publications borrowed from OWU libraries are for a period of five weeks for students and one year for faculty and staff, after which a \$.50 fee per day is charged. Audiovisual materials are for a two-day loan period, with a late charge of \$5 per day. Reference and reserve materials must remain in the library and the loan period varies, but the late charges are at a rate of \$1 per hour. Overdue charges for CON-SORT and OhioLINK loans are \$.50 per day.

To maximize access to library materials, fines are charged for overdue, lost and damaged materials. Charges for lost or damaged materials include the actual cost or the average replacement cost for the type of item concerned, plus a \$25 processing fee, according to the OWU library website.

The library does send notices for overdue materials, but regardless of whether the notices are received, it is the responsibility of the borrower to return the materials on time or pay the fines, according to the OWU library website.

Fine Revenues by Year



tickets, the charge will not go up if unpaid, and will be added to the tuition bill at the end of the semester. Public Safety boots cars on the fifth unpaid ticket, and the cost of boot removal is \$50.

The discrepancy in price is because campus is a closed community with limited parking, while Delaware is not, Delaney said.

"If I park in Welch without a parking decal, I'm literally taking someone's space," he said. "Whereas the City of Delaware is wide open, you can park wherever, nobody has promised me a space. If you're parking on campus and have paid for a decal you are promised a space."

Delaney said around four to five years ago there were designated permits. The Greeks and each of the residential halls had their own color decals for their own lots. Students objected to this system, so the University shifted it to a general residential decal.

"I don't want us to go back [to the designated permits], because if all the spaces in your lot were taken, you have nowhere else to park," he said.

WCSA President Marie Rymut said during her four-year tenure on WCSA, the issue of parking fines has never come up, but she said she thinks the fines are fair in comparison to our other sister institutions.

The prices of full-year parking permits are \$55 at Denison University, \$75 at Oberlin College, \$150 at the College of Wooster and \$200 at Kenyon College. Kenyon's enforcement policy is the strictest, with a \$250 fine for un-

drive to class and have to park in the academic lots I try to sit near a window overlooking my car, so I can see if it's getting ticketed."

Shipley said he still does not have a permit, but no longer parks on campus.

"At the beginning of the year, I never have enough cash to shell out \$70 to the University," he said. "Once I do have the money it's so late in the semester that there's no point in buying one. I prefer to keep that money and just park on the street. It's a hassle, but I think it's worth it."

Judicial fines

Each academic year there are about 500-600 judicial complaints filed against students. In 2005-06, there were 785 complaints, more than ever before. Between 15 and 25 percent of those complaints have the charges dropped. On average, 77 percent of the complaints upheld result in findings that the student committed the violation, according to Michael Esler, professor of politics and government.

Elsbeck said revenue from judicial fines in 2005-06 was \$31,395. In 2004-05 it was \$22,933, and in 2003-04 it was \$24,097.

Delaney said a lot of that revenue is "money in, money out," meaning it is spent as soon as it comes in. Payment for the AlcoholEDU program comes from judicial fine revenue. After a second substance abuse violation, the student is required to attend a substance abuse prevention class as well as pay a \$100 fine. The classes are run by RPR (Recovery

student welfare to conferences and training seminars, and to purchase books and other materials for staff education, Delaney said.

"We try and spread [the funds] out as much as we can," Delaney said. "Adding tools, skills and resources varies from year to year."

Students who choose not to pay the judicial fine will have it placed on their student account at the end of the semester. Esler said he estimates 80 percent of students have their fines added to their account.

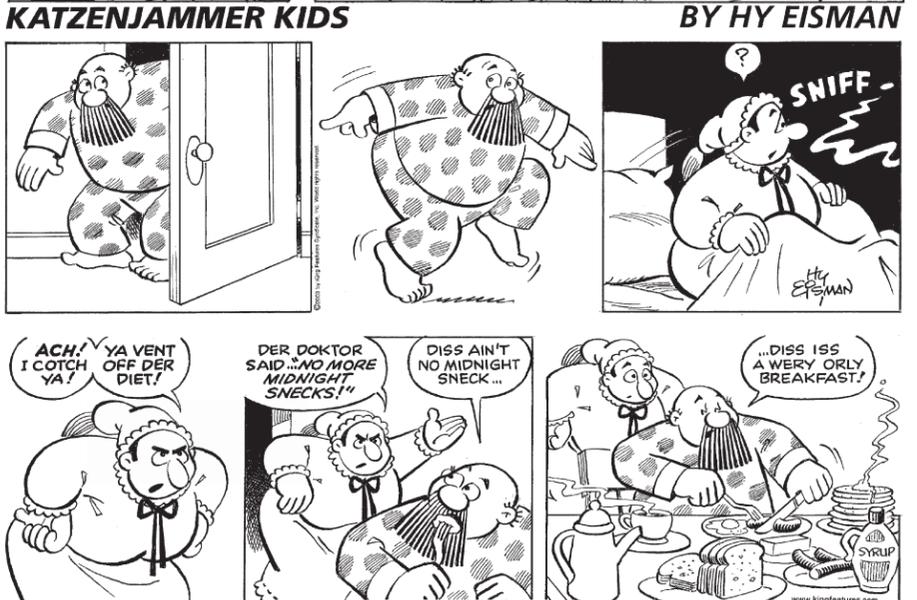
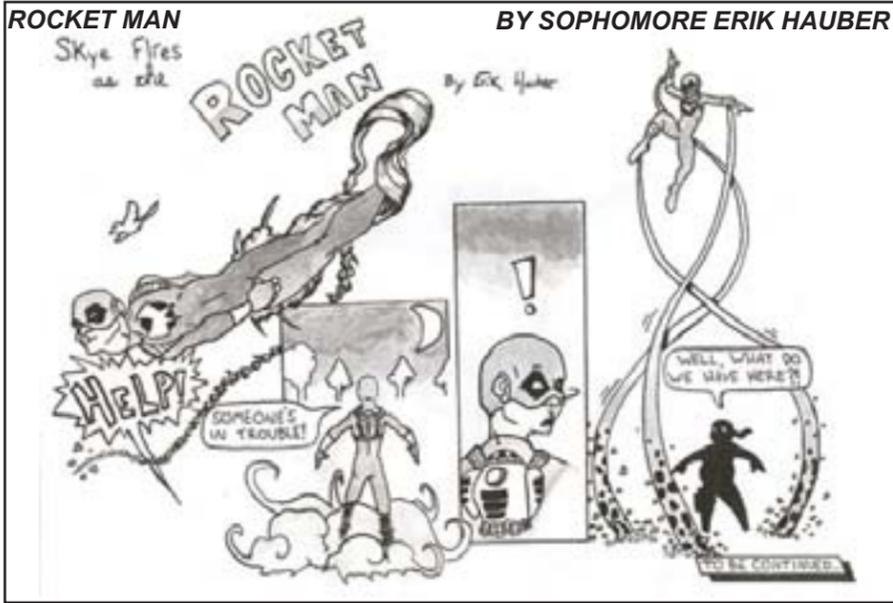
Delaney said parents sometimes call to ask about a judicial charge on the bill, but the University will not say what the incident was about or with what the student was charged.

"I tell parents students can choose to work off charges by doing community service," Delaney said. "If the student elected not to do that, the responsibility is put back on the student."

Delaney said the University does not try to generate revenue from judicial charges. "We're not interested in reaching into your pocket, if you want to work it off great," Delaney said.

According to Wendy Piper, assistant director of Residential Life, judicial fines can be worked off at a rate of \$5 per hour, and must be coordinated with Sue Pastors, director of community service learning. But Esler said he estimates no more than 10 percent of students charged work off all or part of their fines in community service.

According to Esler, all major constituencies are represented in



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- 25 Kyoto cummerbund
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- 28 Burst forth
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- 9 Free from error
- 10 Finished
- 11 Be the leader
- 16 Consumed
- 20 Piece of merchandise
- 21 "Catch a Falling Star"
- 22 Wading bird
- 23 Vanish

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GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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2. MUSIC: Who sang the theme song to movie "The Spy Who Loved Me"?
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4. INVENTIONS: Where was lacquer invented?
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1. David Janssen
 2. Carly Simon, "Nobody Does It Better"
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by Linda Thistle

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Bishops Sports

Women's Tennis

Competition ahead in final matches

By Jenna Narwicz
Correspondent

After a successful start to their season, the women's tennis team has high hopes for their remaining matches.

The team started the season off 1-1 before traveling to South Carolina for their annual spring break trip. There the bishops finished 2-1 defeating schools Virginia-Wise and Richard Stockton.

Senior Ali Long said overall the trip was a great experience.

"Not only did we get to be out in the warm southern sun, but we got to do that while playing [the sport] we love," Long said.

Long said the trip was a great opportunity to show the freshmen what the team is about, and it gave the seniors a chance to get to know the new-comers.

Freshmen Annie Worth and Mollie Campbell added depth to the team this year.

Senior Kristen Carney said the freshmen are full of energy and contribute to the team dynamic.

"They seem to be adjusting to college play really well and will definitely be a large part of this team for the years to come," Carney said.

Worth said that the biggest difference between high school and college tennis is in college two seasons are played rather than just one in high school.

Head Coach Michelle Parish said that Worth won the No. 2 doubles spot this year with Long as her partner.

"I give her plenty of props for putting up with me [this season],"

Long said. "Those who have been partners with me know that I can be quite a handful."

Parish said the toughest competition in the upcoming weeks will be the conference match against Kenyon.

"They finished second in the NCAC last year, while we finished third in season and fourth in the tournament," Parish said.

Senior Katie Figgie said as long as the team keeps playing well she is confident the team will finish in good standing in the tournament.

"I am extremely happy with my team's performance so far this year. We are all working well with one other and are really supporting each other through tough matches," Figgie said.

This weekend the bishops are playing in the GLCA tournament.

"We play Division III teams from Michigan and Ohio, so it will be an opportunity for good competition," Carney said.

"It has a history of being a very competitive tournament and I expect it to be the same this year, so hopefully we can play well and have good results," Carney said.

Long said she is happy with the team's overall performance.

"Even though tennis is considered to be more of an independent sport, we are always there, supporting each other on and off the court," Long said. "Its gotten to the point where practice and traveling to matches isn't dreaded or just another thing that needs to get done, its more like hanging out with some amazing girls while doing something that we all have a passion for."



Photo by Lynne Albers

Senior Katie Figgie follows through on her shot Saturday against Allegheny. She was a doubles and singles winner. The game was forced indoors because of rain.

Former pro speaks to team



Photo by Lynne Albers

Former Brooklyn Dodgers player George "Shotgun" Shuba spoke to players Monday at Littick Field.

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goal and 1 assist. Blake and senior Paula Breen contributed a goal apiece.

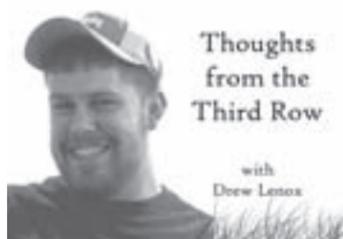
Rocheleau said the team's goal is to win every game the rest of the season. The Bishops finished second to Wooster for the NCAC regular season title last year when they lost to the Fight Scots 7-6 at Roy Rike Field.

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Rocheleau said winning out won't be easy and that the team has room to improve.

"We need to have better high pressure defense in close game situations," she said. "Offensively, we need to work the ball around better and be more patient so we can capitalize on the other team's mistakes."

Buckeyes fall short



O-H, N-O

One of my favorite moments in sports every year is sitting and watching the highlights of the college basketball season to the tune of "One Shining Moment."

This year it was a little sad for me because the Ohio State Buckeyes lost to the Florida Gators. Even though the outcome was not really what I wanted, the game did offer some moments of happiness.

I have to say that Florida was the best team this year and I think they deserved to win. They returned everybody from last year's championship team and played very well in this year's game.

The old saying says "There is no I in team" and I think Greg Oden felt that Monday night. The referees finally let Oden stay on the floor and out of foul trouble and he lived up to the hype and silenced the critics.

Florida rotated three different guys on the Buckeye big man and all three committed fouls while failing to stop Oden. He had 25 points and 12 rebounds and proved to everyone why he could be the first pick in the NBA draft.

The Buckeyes lost because the other players could not shoot the three. This was not a problem throughout the season because they shot 37% behind the arc. Last night, however, they only made 4 three pointers out of 23, and 2 of those were in desperation at the

end of the game.

Four was not enough when Florida's Lee Humphrey made four by himself and the Gators made ten altogether. This deficit made the difference and ended the young Buckeyes run.

The Buckeye fans should not consider the season a failure because they made it to the National Championship game and finished the season with the best record in college basketball at 35-4. They also won the Big Ten regular season and tournament titles.

So, with the season over the questions about the future begin. The Gators could come back and make a run because Al Horford, Taurean Green, Corey Brewer, and Joakim Noah are juniors, but the chances of that are about the same as Noah looking good with that hair of his.

On the Ohio State side, the questions will be about Greg Oden's future. Don't ask him though because he will ask you for the next question.

If Oden decides to leave, and I think he will, it will be after the best game of his college career and should be the number one pick in the NBA draft. I don't think Kevin Durant had 25 points and 12 boards in the Championship game.

If Oden stays, the Buckeyes could be the favorite to win next season. Either way with a great coach, a good core of players and a great recruiting class the Buckeyes should be good next year.

The Gators might have been the best team on Monday but they could not stop the best player, Greg Oden. Well, I am proud of the Buckeyes and even though they came in second, you will probably see me on campus this week sporting my scarlet and gray. Go Buckeyes!

Sports Briefs

Baseball

The baseball team played Saturday and Sunday at Earlham. The Bishops swept both double headers. Yesterday the team took on Otterbein at home. The Bishops fell just short of the win, 9-10. Tuesday the team plays Capital and travels Wednesday to Ohio Dominican.

Golf

The golf team traveled to the Camp Lejeune Intercollegiate Invitational in Camp Lejeune, N.C. Friday and Saturday. Senior Doug McCullough led the Bishops. McCullough finished in a tie for 12th place with a 140. The team travels to Granville Saturday and Sunday for the Denison Invitational.

Men's Tennis

The men's tennis team played Allegheny Saturday at home. Allegheny swept all 3 doubles matches and a pair of singles matches. The match was forced indoors due to rain. Freshmen Alex McDonald and Branton Luttinger extended their Gator opponents to an 8-6 decision at No. 2 doubles.

Men's Track and Field

Saturday the men's track and field team ran in the Cedarville Open. They finished second out of 13 teams. Cedarville won the meet with 216 points to 170 for the Bishops. The Bishop 1600-meter relay team of senior Steffan Horst, sophomores Preston Osborn, Nathan Osborn, and Ryan Ellis won the event in 3:23.99. The team runs at home on Friday in the Marv Frye Invitational.

Women's Track and Field

The women's track and field team traveled to Cedarville Saturday. The team placed third out of 11 teams. Cedarville won the meet with 234 points to 189 for Findlay and 179 for the Bishops. Sophomore Catie Coleman won the 3000-meter steeplechase in a time of 11:29.98. The team runs at home on Friday in the Marv Frye Invitational.



Bishops Sports



Men's Lacrosse

Two wins prove determination for post-season

By Will Bridgeo
Staff Reporter

Junior midfielder Chris Eccles scored 4 goals and dished 4 assists Tuesday to help the men's lacrosse team squeeze by visiting Whittier Poets 13-11.

Sophomore Dave Castignola put OWU on the board in the opening minute when he stuffed the ball in behind Whittier goaltender Ben Brown.

Sophomore Eric Turner put the Bishops up 2-0 at 11:03 when he ripped a shot into the goal from about 20 yards out.

Whittier maintained possession in the OWU zone for the next four minutes and scored 3 goals to go up 3-2.

Coach Sean Ryan said he knew what to expect from the feisty Poets.

"Whittier has been a thorn in my side since my time here as the head coach," he said. "Last year, we won a 10-9 game and I knew going into this game, it was going to be a dog."

The game was chippy from the get-go with the teams combining for 25 penalties, including 7 unnecessary roughness and unsportsmanlike conduct calls and the ejection of two Whittier coaches.

Ryan said he was not surprised by Whittier's play after watching them play Wooster on Sunday,

and warned the team to expect it.

"I told the team before the game that they were going to play dirty and with a chip on their shoulder," he said. "I thought we got caught up in some of the little cheap stuff they were doing at times, but overall stuck to our game."

Eccles tied the game 3-3 at 5:55 on his first goal of the game on a shot from the left side of the net. Whittier responded a minute later on Joel Kerben's rising shot from 25 yards outside to put Whittier up 4-3.

Junior Goaltender Ryan Perone was able to keep it a one-goal game with one minute remaining in the quarter by making a nice save off a bounce shot in close.

Freshman Craig Aronoff tied the game back up at 4 with less than 30 seconds into the second quarter when he fired an ankle high blast from the restraining line between Brown's legs.

Eccles then scored 2 goals 3 minutes apart to complete his hat trick and put the Bishops up 6-4. Junior Trevor Jones made it 7-4 with 7:58 left in the half.

The Poets scored twice before the half to cut the OWU lead back to 7-6.

The two teams traded goals to open up the second half before Ohio Wesleyan scored 5 straight to extend their lead to 13-7.

Whittier's 4-goal comeback



Photo By Emily Bigelow

Freshman Chaz Narwicz holds possession of the ball while looking up field in Saturday's game against Kenyon. The Bishops earned a win, 10-7.

late in the 4th quarter was not enough as the Bishops held on for the win.

The team will now look ahead to what is possibly their biggest match-up of the season, as they

host tenth-ranked Stevens Tech on Sunday.

Ryan said the team would need a solid effort out of everyone and play possession style lacrosse in order to be successful.

"Stevens is an excellent team, it should be a great test to see where we are on the national level," he said.

The game is scheduled for 2 p.m. at Selby Field.

Baseball

Jones honored for no-hitter

-OWU Online

Junior Xander Jones was named Division III Pitcher of the Week by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association, it was announced by the NCBWA.

Jones fired a no-hitter to help the Bishops complete a sweep of a NCAC West Division doubleheader on Sunday, March 25.

Jones' no-hitter was the 10th in Ohio Wesleyan history and the first since Scott Oberschlake no-hit Defiance in the opener of a doubleheader on March 23, 1994.

Jones allowed one baserunner in the game, that coming on a leadoff walk in the second inning, and retired the last 18 batters he faced. He struck out 6 and walked 1.

Looking for an ace



Photo By Lynne Albers

Freshman Alex McDonald serves to his Allegheny opponent in Saturday's match.

Softball

NCAC competition begins

By Danny Eldredge
Correspondent

This week, the softball team begins NCAC competition and for most of the team it will mark the beginning of their experience in conference play.

The team has only two returning players from last season and a first year head coach, coach Cassie Cunningham. She said she is impressed with how quickly the players have learned to play together.

"Our team has done a fantastic job of playing together as one unit," Cunningham said. "The fact that nine freshmen and a transfer have acclimated so quickly is truly amazing."

Senior Theresa Longenecker said the team should be able to improve upon its 6-6 record and compete for the conference title if their consistency improves.

"[Our lack of experience] tends to lead us toward being inconsistent because a lot of us are

still trying to find a way to make things work," Longenecker said. "We need to keep our confidence high and realize that errors happen, but we need to find a way to rebound from them."

Cunningham said she also emphasized the importance of consistency. She said the young players have done a good job of learning from their mistakes.

"There were a few innings in Florida [in which] we had compound errors that I believe were a result of inexperience," Cunningham said. "However, we used each of those instances as a learning experience and we have not repeated the same mistakes."

Junior Miranda Simmons and Longenecker both said they have important leadership roles to play on this team.

"[My experience] allows me to give the other girls insight and hopefully add some of the consistency we might otherwise lack," Simmons said.

"With mostly freshmen on the roster, I think that [leading] is the most important role I need to take on so that we continually have a positive attitude, and stay focused," Longenecker said.

The two upper classmen are certainly producing on the field, as they are leading the team in batting average. Longenecker is batting .421 on the year, and Simmons is batting .350.

Cunningham said these two players' leadership has been invaluable on and off the field.

"Both of these young ladies' experience and passion to lead this team into the post season has been and will continue to be priceless," Cunningham said. "Our youth is playing more confidently with each game under their belt and I'm looking forward to watching them continue to grow over the next 26 games."

The team travels to Oberlin Saturday for their first NCAC game of the season.

Women's Lacrosse

Steady start for women laxers

By Ryan Jones
Staff Reporter

Playing two games in as many days is somewhat rare in lacrosse, but the Bishops managed to split its pair of games over the weekend.

The Bishops drubbed NCAC rival Allegheny, 17-8 on Saturday, but were toppled by Brockport State 9-3 on Sunday.

After the weekend split, the Bishops are now 4-1 overall, with a 1-0 record in the NCAC.

Coach Kim Rocheleau said she was glad to win the league game.

"We've got off to a good start, but I'd rather us be 5-0 at this point," she said. "We scheduled two tough games in a row, and I think we became tired during the second game, which affected our

performance."

The Bishops jumped to a 6-0 advantage over Allegheny (2-4, 0-1) during the first 12 minutes of the opening half.

Five different Bishops scored during the 6-0 run, led by senior Jamie Blake, who had 2 goals and 2 assists.

The Bishops extended the lead to 11-2 at the break, and cruised to the finish.

Rocheleau said the victory helped to avenge last season's 9-7 defeat to Allegheny in the semifinal of the NCAC tournament.

"It was important for us to get in the right mindset in order to make them [Allegheny] play up to our level of play, and for us not to play down to their level," she said.

Blake led the Bishops with 3

goals and 3 assists. Sophomore Hannah Mudge netted 3 goals, junior Lura Allen had 3 goals and 1 assist and junior Alexa Deaton added 2 goals and 2 assists for the winners.

Brockport State (4-2) held a 4-0 advantage until sophomore Channing Bush found Blake, who scored the Bishops first goal with 1:34 left in the first half.

The Bishops were unable to turn Blake's goal into a source of momentum as Brockport scored a little more than 1 minute into the second half. Brockport State went on to outscore the Bishops 5-2 in the half.

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