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WCSA seeks to close loop



Di Franco



Yost



Owen



Redding

By Andrew Newhouse
Transcript Reporter

It's a new year, which means that WCSA has a new staff, full of fresh ideas.

The new executive officers consist of President Tricia DiFranco, Vice-President Joey Yost, Secretary Meagan Redding and Treasurer Ben Owen.

DiFranco said one of the main goals of her term in office is to spread WCSA awareness and visibility throughout campus.

"We hope to be in better communication with students," said DiFranco. "We want to be approachable and available to hear students concerns and needs. In order to do that, we need to be more visible."

Junior Sarah Hailey agreed

with DiFranco that WCSA needed to make more of an effort in keeping the campus abreast of student government issues.

"In the past two years I've been here, I have felt far out of the loop when it comes to student government," said Hailey. "I hardly know what it is that they do, let alone the officers of the committee. I wish they were more interactive with the student body."

The WCSA intends to fix this ongoing problem by providing more outlets for student concerns. One way they will do this is by the campus relations committee. This committee will be set up to provide students with a more direct link to the executive WCSA committee by representatives.

Another way the student

government officers intend on addressing problems and suggestions are through town hall meetings.

"Town hall meetings were designed to create a place for students to come and discuss issues that they are concerned with," DiFranco said. "We hope to have town hall meetings concerning all aspects of student life this year including issues relating to academics, residential life, and the student code of conduct."

Other goals which WCSA intends to accomplish this year are to help establish a more cohesive campus community, celebrate and embrace diversity, increase participation and support for campus events and raise awareness of student needs.

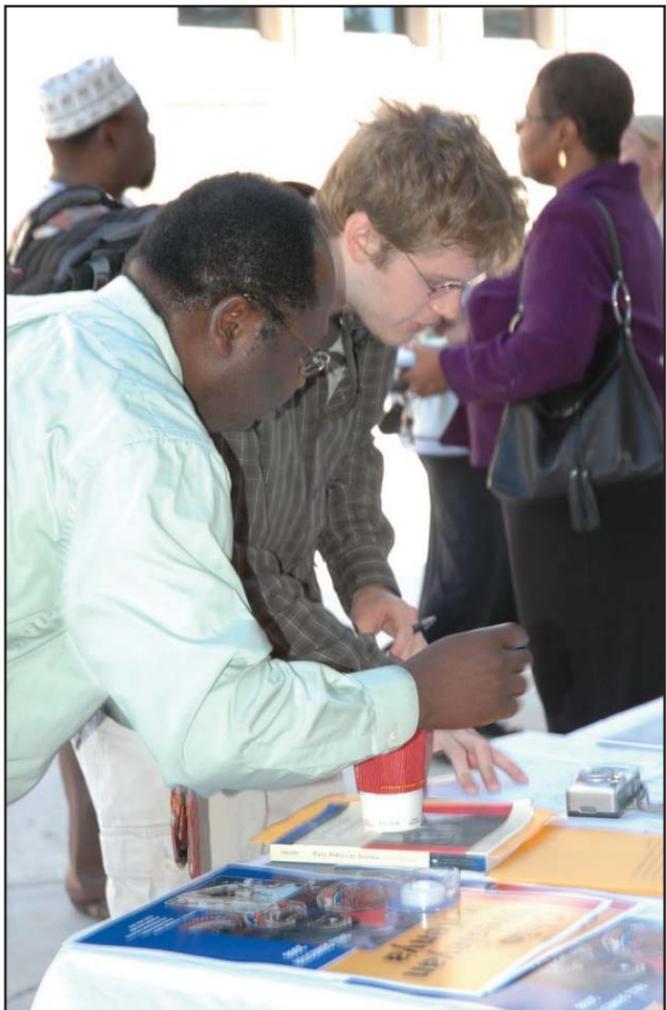


Photo by Matt Rissel

The Black World Studies Department held an open house Wednesday, Sept. 12, on the north side of Slocum Hall. Visitors were invited to learn about new programs and special courses, visit with faculty and enjoy a sandwich.

Judicial board offers courtroom experience

Michael DiBiasio
Transcript Reporter

Recently the University Judicial System completed its training of 17 student justices and four student advisors to serve on the Judicial Court for the '07-'08 academic year.

The justices and advisors were selected by the coordinator of Judicial Affairs and the Judicial Affairs Committee of Wesleyan Council on Student Affairs last spring.

In two days the justices and advisors were trained on the disposition of cases, jurisdiction of Judicial Affairs, procedural rights in a campus judicial hearing and the judicial hearing procedure. In addition to their informational training, justices reviewed a sample case, according to a sophomore justice.

Dr. Michael Esler, coordinator of Judicial Affairs, was pleased with the two days of training and is confident in the students' ability

to grow as justices and advisors over the course of the year.

"I believe that training went well enough, understanding that student justices will be learning how better to do their jobs throughout the year," Esler said.

Ben Owen, a senior justice entering his second term on the Judicial Court, was also pleased with training, especially the energy of the newest justices.

"It was exciting to see the new justices and see how enthusiastic they were about the program. It was also an excellent brush up on rules and procedures for those of us who were returning," Owen said.

"My expectation this year is that the Student Judicial Boards will continue to be as fair and impartial as they have been in the past. I plan to uphold the Code of Student Conduct in my decisions as much as possible. That is the job that we are given as justices

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By Sarah Shkoukani
Transcript Reporter

On Sept. 5 at 10:21 p.m. three Delaware residents verbally assaulted two female students outside of Thomson. Two



Wood

of the Delaware residents were arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and theft.

Sophomores Kaitlyn Overbeeke and Lauren Culp entered Thomson store where three men who, they said, obviously didn't go to OWU were walking around in the store and standing out front. The two girls said they didn't think much of the men and minded their own business. It was when Overbeeke and Culp left the store that they realized that the men were following them. The students were stopped as they walked out of Thomson Hall.

"They asked us what we were planning to do for the rest of night, and if we wanted to 'play' with them, sexually," Culp said. "Kaitlyn and I were both very

terrified and knew that the best thing to do was to ignore them and walk as fast as we could back to Bashford (where we live)."

However, the taunting didn't stop as the girls walked away. The men started yelling crude comments, Overbeeke said. After Culp and Overbeeke reached their room, they immediately called Public Safety, and within minutes, PS was at Thomson.

According to the PS report and Robert Wood, director of Public Safety, there were several calls reporting verbal harassment, Overbeeke's being one. The suspects did not know it was a problem to be on campus and thought that PS had stopped them for being too loud.

The PS officers confronted the men, asking for a form of identification, which only one of the suspects had on him. The primary suspect, Garrett (the name given to the officers), was on probation and repeatedly asked PS to not call the Delaware Police Department for fear he would face jail time.

The second suspect, Johnson, was found with a bag of chips and a jar of dip with Thomson

price tags on them. A witness reported seeing the suspect stealing the chips and dip from Thomson. Johnson denied theft and said that he had bought the food from Speedway gas station but changed his story stating he found them outside of Thomson. Johnson was taken to the Delaware Police Department station where he faced theft charges.

The third suspect was cooperative, not involved in the incident, was released by PS and left immediately.

Delaware police were then called in by PS for assistance. Garrett provoked both DPD and PS with confrontational words, stating that he should just be shot with whatever the officers had in their gun. DPD officers arrested Garret for disorderly conduct.

"This is an uncommon incident where suspects enter school property buildings," Wood said.

"We have a legal right to confront them, call DPD and charge them since its private property. The best thing you can do if you get into this situation is to call PS or DPD."

OWU becomes part of NCAA drug testing pilot program

Megan Quinn
Correspondant

Senior Andy Coutts sits at his desk in his fraternity bedroom, tossing a ball into the air and catching it. The walls are lined with sports posters, the floors covered with an assortment of books and lacrosse memorabilia. In short, the Phi Delta Theta's room resembles that of the typical college student: always on the go. And as a member of the men's lacrosse team, Coutts has his hands full. While he likes to keep busy, Coutts says he knows what is expected of him.

"As student-athletes, it is our job to know and understand the rules and regulations in the student handbook, keeping up grades, following the drug and alcohol policy, things of that nature," Coutts said. "It is the administration's job to keep us up to speed on changes or additions to these regulations, so that we can be the best we can be every day."

Athletic Director Roger Ingles said Ohio Wesleyan will be one of 100 schools to participate in an NCAA-sponsored drug-testing pilot program designed to help the NCAA collect a random survey over the course of the year, says Athletic Director Roger Ingles. Under this program, 20 student-athletes from Ohio Wesleyan will be drug-tested, either once or more than once. The results will be part of a group analysis sent to the NCAA for review.

"The NCAA is teaming up with Division III athletics on the program front," Ingles said.

"Over the years, the NCAA has noticed a higher participation in gambling for Division III athletes," Ingles said. "The division would like to see if other results, such as drug use, are going up as well. The program will also help educate students about the problems with drugs."

Ingles said student-athletes will not be permitted to participate in their sport without first signing a form agreeing to the possibility of a random drug test through the program.

"While the school's drug and alcohol policy remains the same, the new program adds a definite twist to the mix," Coutts

said.

"I have no problem with the new program," added the long-time lacrosse player. "And I understand the school policy. I just think that students were thoroughly uninformed on the matter of the pilot study. Most people are confused on what it means for OWU athletes. Is it part of the school's policy, or is it a separate program? I feel that we were just given the paperwork and told to 'sign here.'"

Ingles says the athletic department is working hard to create awareness and support for the student-athlete population.

"Our plan is to educate our student-athletes about the dangers of drug use," Ingles said. "We want to provide guidance and support so they can make the best possible choices for them and their teams."

Senior Jessie Seaver, president of the Ohio Wesleyan Athletic Council, said the council stands behind the athletic department's goals.

"We support the department and the plans they have put into action," Seaver said. "I do think most athletes are confused and don't understand the new program. As a member of OWAC, our primary concern will be to inform student-athletes of the new study and how it affects them."

Information obtained from the random drug tests will be kept confidential within the NCAA, and will not be seen by OWU officials. Since only the group results will be analyzed, student athletes cannot be punished for their individual results.

While students should understand this part of the program, this does not change the school's drug and alcohol policy, Ingles said.

"Our policy is the same as it always has been," Ingles said. "While the school will not see individual results within this program, it is important to remember that the NCAA can still conduct random drug tests throughout the season, especially once teams enter the NCAA tournament. These results will be given to school officials, and the matter will be handled as it is stated in the OWU Handbook."

Ingles says he thinks most of the school's coaches support the program.

"Our coaches feel a program like this

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Ingles

Flower power



Photo by Matt Rissell

On Friday, the Ohio Wesleyan community had the opportunity to purchase a variety of plants during BOMI's semesterly sale.

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by the university, and that's the job I plan to do."

Esler and the Judicial Affairs Committee of WCSA hold student justices to very high standards.

"They must be fair and objective, follow procedures, keep judicial matters confidential, act professionally and be prepared for their hearings," Esler said. "I have always been impressed with the general professionalism of the student justices. They tend to appreciate the importance of their work and take what they are doing seriously. I think that most decisions are responsible. My experience with our peer review system has made me a believer in student participation in enforcing university rules."

Mackenzie Kugler, a senior justice entering her first term on the Judicial Court, agrees that the university's peer review system is extremely valuable in trying alleged violators.

"Some sort of Judicial Board is needed

to judge whether students have violated university policies, and I think having a Judicial Board made up of their peers allows them to be more comfortable with the process," Kugler said. "I think students feel they will be tried more fairly by their peers than by faculty members or administrators."

Owen said the practice of peer review is a historic and important one.

"The idea of a trial by one's peers is so deeply rooted in our traditions as a nation that it has become an essential part of what we understand as liberty," Owen said. "Thus, I feel that the university has made its judicial system fall into line with that to what extent that it is able."

Esler encourages students to appreciate their freedom and observe university policy concurrently in order to avoid dealings with Judicial Affairs. However if students do find themselves charged with a violation, "they should feel secure that they will be treated fairly," according to Esler.

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- Wednesday, Oct. 3 @ 1 p.m.: Cracker eating contest at Smith. Sign up. First 12, \$25 prize
- Friday, Oct. 5 @ dinner: Premium Night @ Pulse on Dining (Smith). Steak and Shrimp for an extra swipe!
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Campus News

CLEAR gives non-alcoholic social options

By **Catie Coleman**
Transcript Reporter

Choosing Environments and Alcohol Respect (CLEAR) is a student group devoted to giving students healthier alternatives to a common college extracurricular activity: alcohol consumption.

While weekends, and the occasional Wednesday night with a light work load, provide an opportune time to throw back a few Natty Lights and however many Jager bombs it takes to impress peers, they also provide a potentially risky environment for those who choose to engage in these behaviors.

CLEAR recognizes this risk and attempts to counteract it by planning and providing free or discounted non-alcoholic events for students.

CLEAR is currently a 15-member organization, but it continues to grow each week.

Junior Yasar Helal, chief financial officer of CLEAR, said they always welcome new

members. "We appreciate anyone who would like to give input on planning events, and any help otherwise," Helal said.

While the typical weekend on a college campus may result in temporary amnesia, bad headaches and rug burn in questionable areas, CLEAR's events provide a safe and entertaining way to spend the weekend.

Recently, CLEAR traveled to Magic Mountain, where students could participate in activities such as laser tag, mini golf and Go-Kart racing.

"My favorite event is paintball," Junior Nick Baker said.

This Sunday CLEAR will be traveling to Cleveland to see the Indians battle the Oakland A's at Jacob's Field.

Upcoming events include FearFest at Kings Island, a bowling trip in early October and broomball in November.

CLEAR meets every Monday at noon in the Crider Lounge in the Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.



Submitted photo

Beer Pong is a drinking game involving 10 plastic cups, a ping-pong ball and cheap beer.

Underage drinking turning into visible safety issue

By **Catie Coleman**
Transcript Reporter

Something that kills 1,700 college students a year and injures 599,000 more, according to a 2005 study, has its place on the OWU campus: alcohol.

Rumors of underage girls, particularly freshmen, suffering severe complications due to high levels of alcohol consumption have been spreading throughout the campus community.

One scenario is predominantly put forth: a freshman girl makes her way to The Hill on a Friday or Saturday evening to enjoy a night of dancing, mingling or whatever else a fraternity's social event may provide. Flashing forward an hour or two, the girl is belligerently drunk and unable to make coherent decisions, and her final stop of the night is the emergency room.

Just how real this scenario is on the OWU

campus remains a mystery to anyone but those most intimately involved.

Kim Thompson is the nurse manager in the Emergency Department at Grady Memorial Hospital.

"This year is no different than any other year with alcohol related problems in both male and female Ohio Wesleyan University students, particularly as the new school year begins," Thompson said.

Debbie Lamp, director of student involvement, refused to comment specifically on the issue, but she did offer a piece of advice on the subject.

"People need to be really smart about their decisions," Lamp said.

Public Safety was not able to comment on the issue at the time this article was written.

"We have some limitations because of HIPPA and FERPA restrictions," Robert Wood, director of Public Safety, said.

Dorm thefts happening more often

Several students recently reported items being stolen from their residence hall rooms. In all cases, doors to the rooms (or adjoining bathrooms) were open or unlocked.

According to Ohio Wesleyan Public Safety officials, students should lock their doors even if they plan to be gone for only a minute and especially at night while they are sleeping.

In one instance, two suspects were seen leaving the area. Neither was believed to be an Ohio Wesleyan student. The first person was described as a white male, 5'11, with brownish-blond hair, unshaven, wearing a white sweatshirt with designs and a front zipper. He was wearing baggy pants

and carrying a blue backpack, where stolen items may have been concealed. Few details were available about the second suspect, but he was described as Hispanic.

Perpetrators sometimes knock softly to see if anyone answers the door, but sometimes just walk in. If students are in their rooms and this happens or they see someone in the hall trying to open doors, they should contact Public Safety at (740) 368-2222 or the Delaware police at 911.

If they do not immediately reach Public Safety, they should not wait, but call 911. The sooner someone makes the call, the more likely it is that a suspect can be found and questioned.

Seconds count, officials said.

In addition to locking their rooms at all times, students should not prop open exterior doors or let unauthorized persons into secured buildings. If strangers seek to enter a building with a student, they should be told they either must swipe a valid ID card or be accompanied by a student or staff member in order to enter.

If the strangers continue to enter, or if the student is not comfortable confronting them, the student should contact Public Safety or the Delaware police. Students should try to obtain a description and a location to which the strangers are heading. It is important not to argue or get into an altercation.

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Arts & Entertainment

Students take a swing a Renaissance warfare



For MARRCA members, weaponry ranges from duct-taped issues of the student newspaper to wooden broadswords. The organization has three scheduled practices each week, and members often suit up in protective clothing.

Photos by Matt Rissell

MARRCA evolving, has WCSA funding

By Matt Rissell
Correspondent

The Transcript is being put to use by Ohio Wesleyan's Medieval and Renaissance Recreational Combat Association (MARRCA).

Tightly wound duct-taped issues of *The Transcript* are wielded as daggers (roundels) for sparring, games and warm-up exercises. Practices are held 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the park directly behind Wilbur Bill's Fire Station.

"We practice and have fun — and it's a great outlet for stress," said sophomore Ross Brubaker, president of MARRCA. "Practices focus on the fundamentals. We start with mixed martial arts: guards and attacks, and the 10 most common swords cuts. We also play many games where these techniques are stressed," said Brubaker.

Brubaker said attendance and practices are usually relaxed; however, combat simulations and safety are taken seriously. While sparring, members suit up in lacrosse shoulder pads, helmet and other protective padding.

"There are some hotshots that come out swinging," said junior Alana Finnegan. She added that there have been some injuries outside of practice but no notable ones during practice.

MARRCA has not always been a stand-alone club; it is a surviving segment of an older, now nonexistent club called Gateway. Gateway included other subdivisions like science fiction, role-playing and anime.

MARRCA has been constantly evolving and researching styles of combat. Last year MARRCA was recognized and approved for funding from WCSA. Brubaker said the club has had anywhere from six to 30 students attend practice.

Sophomore Michele Marks, officer of public relations, said the club is always looking for and welcoming new members.

"Everyone in the club is really nice in an environment where everyone can be themselves," said Marks.

Senior Sam Beard makes and sells some of the wooden swords that are used in practice. Members can buy these broadswords for personal use for \$80 to \$100. However, it is not necessary to buy a sword. They can be provided at practice.

Every year MARRCA takes a break from practice to attend the Ohio Renaissance Festival for free. Although the club does not participate in any of the festivals, many members show their colors and come dressed in theme.

At the conclusion of each year, the club has a scavenger hunt for a mock holy grail.



Arts & Entertainment

Head softball coach takes on new challenge

Mary Beth Scherer
Transcript Reporter

Head softball coach at Ohio Wesleyan, Cassie Cunningham, has been selected by Roger Ingles, director of athletics, to be the intramural sports director.

"In an effort to improve the program and give students a much better organized and directed program, we asked Cassie... to assume the duties of overseeing the intramural department," Ingles said.

Ingles said Cunningham was chosen for the position because she has strong organizational and supervisory skills, as well as a good background in student services. Ingles said Cunningham is interested in making sure students have a good experience at OWU.

Cunningham said she is excited about taking on the new challenge.

"I think I could really improve where we are with intramurals," said Cunningham. "I really want to meet the needs of the students."

She said she hopes to create a clearly outlined and organized program. She said if the program is more organized, students will know what their options are and when important meetings and deadlines are.

Assistant Lacrosse Coach Kyle Olson, Assistant Men's Soccer Coach Michael Lentz and Assistant Women's Basketball Coach Jessica Viertlboeck will



work under Cunningham as seasonal directors of the intramural department, Ingles said.

Ingles said he expects Cunningham to direct these three assistant directors and provide guidelines for them and the intramural department.

Ingles also expects Cunningham to offer programs students want and make sure the programs are both organized and supervised.

"I want someday to say that 100% of our students participate in intramural activities because we have something for everyone," Ingles said.

Ingles said intramural activities are essential to having a healthy social environment for students.

"Our students need opportunities to blow off steam by participating in team and individual competitions," Ingles said.

Cunningham said intramural sports offer students another option besides going out at night.

"I think there are a lot of students on our campus that aren't varsity athletes, but still really enjoy sports," Cunningham said. "Being a varsity athlete is a lot of commitment, and a lot of students need to focus on academics while they are in college. We need to offer alternatives to varsity sports and going out. There has to be a happy medium somewhere."

Ingles said he hopes increased funding will allow intramurals to grow into a strong and quality department. He said new facilities built through the Remembering Mr. Rickey Campaign will provide more and better facilities for students.

Cunningham stressed the importance of student feedback.

She sent out a campus-wide survey in an effort to find out how many students actually knew about the intramural program, to gauge student interest in the program and to find out what students want.

"The more student feedback I get, the more I can gear a program around what they want," Cunningham said.

In the past, the intramural sports OWU offered were flag football, soccer, basketball and dodgeball. After receiving some feedback from students, Cunningham said she would also like to add volleyball and tennis to the list of offerings.

Cunningham said she encourages students who have questions, comments or concerns about intramural sports to contact her at cccunnin@owu.edu or (740) 368-3737.

Flamm's new book illustrates diverse politics of 1960s

By Samantha Beany
Correspondent

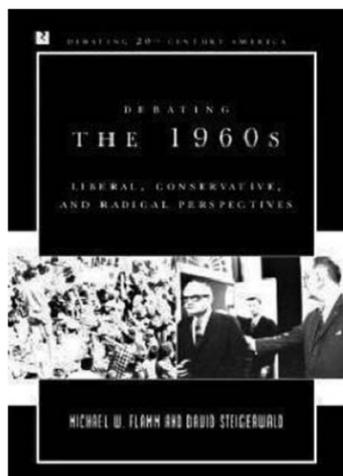
An Ohio Wesleyan professor of history, Michael W. Flamm, recently published a book co-authored with David Steigerwald, titled *Debating the 1960s: Liberal, Conservative, and Radical Perspectives*.

Flamm describes the book as a way to "explore the political debates that took place in the 1960s between liberals, radicals, and conservatives" and also examine how those debates have influenced politics today.

The book is 192 pages long and focuses on four main areas: social welfare, civil rights, foreign relations and social order. Reviews described it as a book designed for the classroom. One said, "It should be required reading in classrooms around the nation."

According to Flamm, one goal in writing the book was to "make it clear to readers how politically polarized the 1960s were and how the debates weren't only between liberals and radicals but conservatives as well."

"The conservative movement



format and style that would appeal to undergrads."

Flamm plans to use this book in his spring History 160 course, "America in the Sixties."

The book allowed him and his co-author to theorize on their topics supported by the actual voices of those participating in the debate. Some examples of participants include Martin Luther King, Jr., and Ronald Reagan. The result: students have a broader view of the political era.

Flamm said, "Students at OWU should realize that professors do more than teach. A good deal of time is spent on projects that may be invisible to them."

"OWU professors are expected to be teacher-scholars," Flamm said. "There is a firm commitment to the idea that research and writing outside the classroom enriches and supplements the teaching that goes on inside the classroom."

Flamm's book, *Debating the 1960s: Liberal, Conservative, and Radical Perspectives* was published in August and is available in the OWU Bookstore.

was the most powerful and unexpected of 1960s because of the louder voices of the liberals and the radicals," Flamm said.

Flamm observed that his students didn't necessarily recognize the 1960s as a decade involving the conservatives, but from a historical perspective it is important to realize conservatives emerged from the 1960s with a strong presence.

Flamm chose a book as his medium because no one had focused on the multiple perspectives of the 1960s before. He believes it was the best way to "present [the] debates in a

50 Cent vs. Kanye West: The Gorilla vs. The Teddy Bear

For this week's column of "Real Talk," I have decided to review and compare the latest releases from rap superstars Kanye West and 50 Cent.

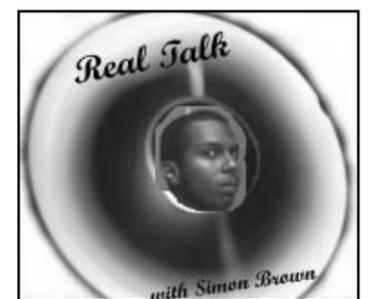
The release of these two albums has been an intense battle. The drama started when Kanye moved his album release date to the same day as 50 Cent's. Since then, it has been a huge ego fest between both rappers.

50 Cent even claimed he would retire if Kanye outsold him in weekly sales. According to www.hiphogalaxy.com, 50 Cent compared himself to Kanye as "a gorilla versus a teddy bear." With that said, I will go straight into the albums, starting with the G-Unit representative, 50 Cent.

50 Cent blew up on the Hip-Hop scene in 2003 with his album, *Get Rich or Die Tryin*. He then released a mediocre, yet successful, sophomore album titled *The Massacre*. His third effort, *Curtis*, can be considered bland and uninspired. Though he has decent production on the album, he doesn't do much with it.

His songs are predictable and show '50s lack of creativity musically. His album is separated into two dimensions, the first being about guns and money, the second dedicated to women. His strongest songs are his two singles, "Ayo Technology" and "I Get Money."

Songs such as the corny "Amusement Park" or the ridiculous laughter-filled "Straight to the Bank" are just a few of the songs that are easily skipped over. Out of 17 tracks, only five are worthy of a replay. For an album



50 Cent had so much confidence in, it comes off pretty, well, how can I say this -- wack!

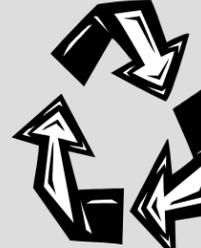
Now onto the new Kanye West album, *Graduation*. This is what I call good music. It has great production, lyrical creativity and is one of my favorite albums for 2007 (alongside Common's "Finding Forever"). Though *Graduation* is not better than "The College Dropout" and equals "Late Registration," it is still good music. Songs such as "Champion," "Flashing Lights" and "Everything I Am" show music can still entertain while educate in a very commercial generation.

Kanye has two very strong singles with "Stronger" and "The Good Life." His other single, "Can't Tell Me Nothing," is also a good song as he explains and apologizes for his past actions and behaviors. On the entire album, there is only one song I can say I don't like, and that is the droning "Drunk and Hot Girls," which feels misplaced on this album.

In conclusion I can comfortably say Kanye's *Graduation* is better than 50 Cent's *Curtis*. It defeats it lyrically and musically, and *Graduation* has a lot more substance and quality track for track.



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DELAWARE



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The Delaware County Fair is celebrating its 174th year. The fair began Sunday and runs through Saturday. Still coming up this week are the Brown Jug today, Rolling Acres Country Craft Show from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. tomorrow and a flower sale on Saturday. Also Saturday is beef and dairy feeder tagging from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.



COUNTY FAIR



Opinion

Letter from the editor

Dear OWU Community,

It is my honor and privilege to serve as editor-and-chief of *The Transcript* this semester. As you no doubt have noticed, several changes have appeared in our publication, and I would like to take time to explain them.

Let's start on the front page and work our way back. In keeping with the trend set by most major publications, the mast on the front page has doubled in size, increasing white space and opening up the top. We have also chosen to put refers (page references) above the mast. This gives us more options graphically, makes the top of the page visually stimulating and keeps the rest of the page uncluttered.

Perusing down the page, we took out many of the hairlines between articles and made the text a font point larger so the articles would be easier to read and less crunched together (or "gray," as the professionals say).

Moving to the inside pages, there are new page headings for Campus News, Arts & Entertainment, Opinion and Sports. Like the mast on page one, these are incorporated to open the page so it is more visually appealing.

Last week we failed to use an editorial box on the Opinion page. This was out of sheer technical mishap, and if you'll look at the bottom of this page, you'll see it's there. The box is not vertical, as it's been in the past, simply because it's easier to lay out a page on a horizontal plane than having to cram boxes around it. Also, if you'll notice, the mission statement has been edited slightly, so it's more concise, but still saying basically the same thing. Our morals haven't changed.

I am hoping, though, that our writing style changes for the better. One of the purposes of this paper is to give journalism majors (and anyone else who wishes to try) the opportunity to work on a realistic publication and amass a body of work. Naturally, style during the first couple of weeks will probably be a little rough, but we will work to hone our skills. Unlike any other major on campus (with the exception of maybe theater) no other students subject their work to public scrutiny on a regular basis; often, none ever do. Although it may be viewed as part of the journalistic job description, it takes bravery and a thick skin to write for a publication that goes directly to one's peers. I challenge any English major to do our job.

Lastly, we love reader feedback of any type. Criticism is welcome because we can use it to make *The Transcript* better. So I encourage letters to the editors, or e-mails to me or the new *Transcript* adviser, Melinda Rhodes (who, by the way, is pretty freaking sweet). Although we will strive to perpetually improve our paper, deadline often gets in the way of the bigger picture and it takes some outside sources to help us find our direction. Currently, I believe my staff has a good idea of where we want to take *The Transcript*, and I hope you can see the changes we make to get there.

Again, if you have any questions or comments, I urge you to contact us. Until the next issue...

Best regards,
Miranda Simmons

'Home' gets a new definition

"'Home' has become such a scattered, damaged, various concept in our present travails. There is so much to yearn for." Salman Rushdie, East, West

In the period of a few hours the other day, I talked to two friends in Ireland on the phone, e-mailed my mom in Atlanta, saw my roommate's family in Cyprus on her webcam, text messaged a friend in California, IM'd a friend in London and visited my sister who lives a few blocks from me here in Philly.

Thinking about it, I can't decide if this means it's really a small world after all or if it's more of a reminder that the world is actually very, very big. What I do know for sure is that it explains my excessively high phone bill and current state of crisis over the fact that my computer is broken.

Anyway, I continue to be amazed by the way that my life, which used to be contained in a small Midwest town, has expanded across miles and oceans and countries over the



past few years.

"Home" used to be a simple concept marked by the place where I lived, where my family and friends were. Now my family lives in Georgia, I live in Philly, two of my very best friends live in Ireland and I'm writing this column for my school in Ohio.

So what can "home" possibly mean these days? The world just feels too big for that concept to be concrete, or to make any traditional sense to me.

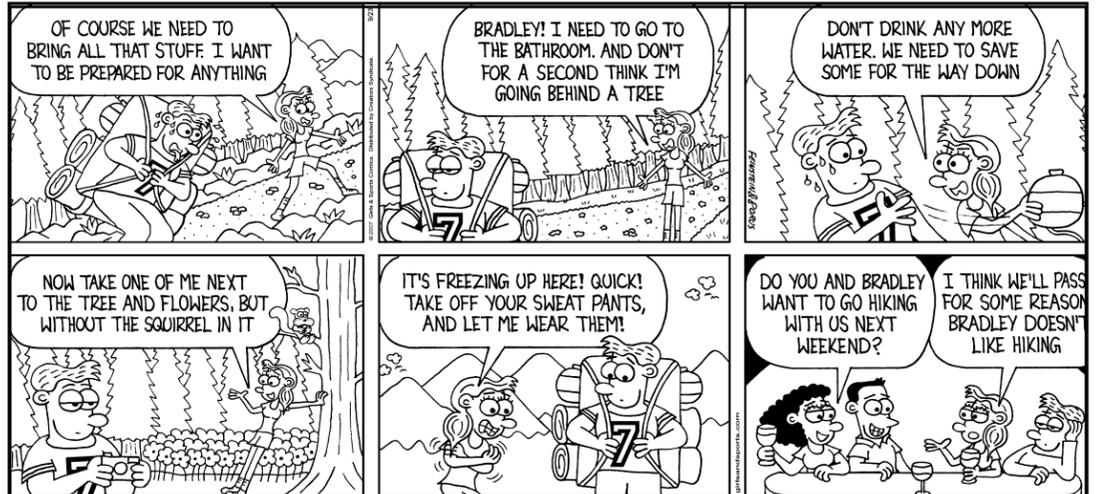
Realizing that my world will never be so easily contained again, I start to think that the best thing I can do is be thankful for the opportunity to see the world in bigger ways, geographically

and beyond. Still, there is the need to make sense of where we are, what is most important, and what we are grounded in amidst so many faces and places. Somewhere, there has to be a way to feel at home.

So this is the best I can do: to me, home is talking to Kim every Sunday morning, it's a drunk dial from Ben, it's Italian ice on Spruce Street that reminds me of Rocky's, it's finding a bar that plays the OSU games, it's white zin with good friends, it's the bike path along the river that remind me of Georgia, and hearing about the ridiculousness you are all keeping up back at the 'WU and creating my fair share here.

It's not really where I am, and not even who I'm with. It's what I filter from the craziness of the city and miles between the pieces of my life, the little moments when I treasure the ways that the world is so small and so big all at once. And, really, I wouldn't have it any other way.

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With or without us?

How do you perceive America? Do they like us? These are perplexing questions that confuse the foreigner's mind after a transatlantic shift of time and place.

Nevertheless, from an American perspective, the answer constitutes the missing piece of the "American Dream" puzzle that is globally shattering. Well, at least in most corners of the world, given the global opposition to the war in Iraq.

However, it would be inappropriate to generalize the outside image of the U.S. in just political or economical terms; the social ingredient plays a pivotal role as the missing link that brings the U.S. closer to the world.

Disarmed by the audacity of my interlocutor's question and stripping myself away from the simplistic black and white view that the society is feeding vulnerable minds, I answered contrary to the anticipated response: yes, the Balkans ranks currently as one of the regions with the highest pro-Americanism among its population.

A happy bewilderment crossed



my American friend's face. Yet again, I was exposing facts and not a personal or fake image for the sake of sympathy or friendship.

A question echoed while I was trying to grope for the reason behind her questions: Why does the answer weigh so much in American eyes?

There is no doubt the world is more global than ever. The speed of cultures intertwining has reached levels beyond imagination. It is a time when others matter, and a self-oriented perspective becomes labeled as narrow-minded and ancient.

Embracing the world and identifying oneself with the rest of the world has become the new policy towards which each state is converging.

This is exactly the attitude the U.S. is trying to grasp. The stress is on trying due to setbacks

such as current foreign political choice or misperceptions on the American view.

However, the battle of pros and cons will always make its presence known. While the U.S. will be deemed as a savior in most Eastern European countries, as witnessed by the ecstatic welcoming that Albania offered to G.W. Bush during this year's G-8 summit, Western countries such as Spain maintain a vivid view of their involvement on the American side in the Afghan and Iraq wars.

This is exactly the point where a line should be drawn separating the external and political view from the social and individualistic rapport between Americans and foreigners.

Detached from such considerations, the individual's or outsider's view on the U.S. will be proportionate to the opportunities and openness the country shares with the rest. Just by including such descriptions, the forgotten American dream becomes transparent. not only for the foreigners, but also to the American listener.

Facebook fanaticism could hurt future

While working at ABC News this summer, several producers were crowded around a computer one Friday morning. One of them said, "McCarton Ackerman. Hometown: Stamford, CT." I took little notice, assuming they were all reading my resume.

"Political views, liberal." This was starting to get weird. How did they know that?

"Looking for whatever I can get?! Hey, Christine, what does that mean?!" I nearly fell out of my chair. They were looking at my Facebook profile.

We are the first generation that has been exposed to the mini-celebrity lifestyle that Facebook provides. Your peers are the paparazzi and, in much the same way, it seems as though they seek the least flattering shot of you possible. Being photographed is inevitable whether or not you want to be.

We've all had the experience of waking up after a weekend party, going to our e-mail account and being told we've been tagged in 12 new Facebook photos. Almost all the photos consist of you with a cup in your hand, a primal expression on your face and attire that would make you a likely candidate for an episode of "What Not To Wear."

A quick look at my Facebook profile shows a variety of comical, yet often highly disturbing, photos. Over the course of four years, I've had photos documented of me dressing as Marilyn Manson, Courtney Love and Paris Hilton. There are photos of me appearing as a stripper for a housemate's birthday party,



engaging in triple kisses and flirting with questionable former lovers.

The coup de gras of this collection is a photo featuring a digitally altered Christmas box covering all the essentials when I appeared naked at a party in Columbus.

In short, approximately 31 photos will keep me from obtaining work after graduation. While detagging the photos is a simple enough procedure, it feels as though there's something more meaningful to it. I'm erasing a huge chunk of my college life not because I'm embarrassed, but because I seek employment.

Prospective employers will see my new Facebook profile and think my college years were more Partridge Family than Family Guy. It's no longer enough to look presentable at a job interview. We have to somehow make our life appear professional, even though they were likely moments when it was far from that.

I didn't rob a bank or do porn. I enjoyed my time in college in the same way that the person reading my application probably did, yet I'm being held more accountable for my actions. Unfortunately, this is the trend that will likely continue in the information age. For our generation, part of growing up might involve detagging the past.

Internships offer real world experience

By Jessica Kleinman
Guest Columnist

If someone had told me three months ago that by the start of my junior year I would know what I wanted to do after college, I would've laughed in their face. However, that someone would've been right.

Like so many college students finishing their sophomore year, I had just declared my major, figured out my schedule for the next fall and was getting ready to endure a summer internship at a small, but nonetheless impressive, public relations firm in New York City. Going into my internship, I had no idea what I was doing, or what they would make me do, but I knew that I wanted to narrow down my future career choices by experiencing them firsthand and then eliminating all the ones I didn't like.

Being an economics major, I didn't really take the idea of public relations too seriously, but I had taken some marketing classes, and for some reason my mom always thought I would do well in the field.

Many people think of internships as the job where all you do is get coffee for your boss and run mindless errands. I thought the same thing going into my job but soon found out I couldn't be more wrong.

Working at Goodman Media this summer was like nothing I had ever done before (my previous jobs consisted of catering and working in the alumni relations office at OWU); the work was engaging, the vibe of the office was always positive and the employees were friendly and willing to give me

something to do whenever I had downtime.

When my eight weeks were up, I found myself not wanting to leave and wishing I could graduate sooner so that I could come back and work again.

Internships offer students a wonderful opportunity to experience a glimpse of what it is like to work in a job of their choosing. One of the best and most convenient ways to find an internship is to look at the people surrounding you. Ask your friends, parent's friends or your friend's parents if they would be willing to help you secure that perfect internship over the summer.

Quite frankly, the best resources for landing an internship are your parents; they work for companies you may be interested in, or they know people in companies you are interested in. Whatever the case, your parents are the ones who can help you get your foot in the door best.

This doesn't mean that you are cheating the system by asking your parents for help, or that you are getting an unfair advantage. It is not how you land your internship that counts. It is what you do when you are there that matters in the long run.

When people asked me what I got out of my internship the most, I have a hard time explaining exactly everything I have learned. It's not because I hardly learned anything, but because what I have learned from my internship are things that can't be found in the classrooms at OWU.

I've learned how to compose proper e-mails to adults, and how to think creatively. But the most important thing I gained from my internship was confidence: confidence in myself, my future and my ability to succeed.

"Truth is stranger than fiction, but it is because fiction is obliged to stick to possibilities; truth isn't."
-- Mark Twain

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Novelist Groh discusses his path to first publication

By Emily Steger
Transcript Reporter

The 2007 Poets and Writers Series welcomed fiction writer Brian Groh to campus Friday.

Groh a graduate from Kenyon wrote his first novel, *Summer People* over a time span of 4 years. He told the audience about the process with the novel including writing, rewriting, finding an agent and publishing.

Groh said he would write during the day and do free lance work at night.

"In the beginning I would write 5-6 hours a day," Groh said. "At the end of the day I realized I had only been reworking one paragraph and I needed a different strategy. I set a word count goal for each day in order to get any real progress."

There were 3 drafts before sending it out to different agents Groh said.

"I really pushed through to finish the first draft, which I found useful laying it all out," Groh said. "I set aside the first draft for a month and then typed it all into a computer. I again set aside the second draft for a month and reworked it once again after that."

A senior English major said he was fascinated with the writing process.

"I think it was very cool how Groh went from teaching to free lance writing and then to working at the *New Republic* magazine," said the senior. "He realized what he really wanted to do was write a novel so he left his job to pursue this dream."

Groh said the publishing process was an anxious period.

"I sent out *Summer People* to about 10 different agents," Groh said. "I fully expected half to be beating down my door. ... This however was not the case."

Junior Ryan Nelson said he came to see the writer's series to hear from the writer himself.

"I didn't come because I was forced to by a professor, but really wanted to see what Groh had to say about his writing experience," Nelson said.

Groh said all he needed was one agent and sent out his novel to a second batch of agents.

"The experience has been an emotionally challenging process," Groh said. "Especially after finding an agent things move so quickly. I sold my novel within one week after hiring my agent."

Groh said overall he was very satisfied with his first novel.

"I started working on this novel with an amount of conviction that *Summer People* was worth publishing and am fulfilled with the end result."

Sophomore's new laundry service a refreshing addition

By Maygen Hall
Correspondent

Beginning this year, students can have their laundry personally cleaned by The Busy Bishop Laundry Service, a company started by sophomore Farooq Busari.

According to the motto, The Busy Bishop is, "a first class laundry service that is convenient and college priced." Busari explained that the idea for starting the business sprang from discussions with friends.

"I wanted to start the business because I felt there was a demand here for a laundry service," said Busari. "The closest laundry service in Delaware is a bit far, and I thought it was time for students to have the convenience of getting their laundry done on campus."

Senior Andrew Johnson, who recently used the service, said he was happy with the work done with his clothes.

"At first I was skeptical about the service, mostly because of the fact that you are giving your clothes to strangers," said Johnson. "However, Farooq explained the routine my laundry would undergo, and I was happy with the results."

Busari said The Busy Bishop

is on Facebook.com. According to the website, there are specific pick up and delivery days for each dorm.

Busari said the laundry is picked up from a student's door and returned to the student the next day. He also said that the service cost is \$13.95 per bag.

"You do not just get a wash and dry when using our service," said Busari. "Your clothes are washed, dried, ironed, and folded. They are then promptly returned to you the next day."

Junior Marialicia Solomon said she was excited about the new laundry service.

"I am personally excited about having the laundry service available on campus, even though I was unsure initially," said Solomon. "I did my research and am now more comfortable with becoming a customer."

Busari said he was happy to address questions for those who may be skeptical about the service.

"I take my customers wants and needs with a great amount of seriousness, and I am always open to questions," Busari said.

Busari explained that anyone interested in using his service can contact the Busy Bishop Laundry Service at customer@busybishop.com.



Photo by Rob Misener

Residents of the Creative Arts Houses enjoy Wednesday evening outdoors.

Relationships at the art SLUs not as shabby as surroundings

Forrest Old
Correspondent

As students walk from the Jay walk towards the dorms, they are almost certain to pass them.

The Creative Art Houses, or CAH, have been a part of the Small Living Units, or SLUs, for years now. Junior Andrew Stewart, a first-semester member of CAH, remembers his first impression of the house when he visited.

"I remember thinking, 'These people are nuts,'" Stewart said. "I like it."

After being in CAH for a month, Stewart said he is glad to be living there. He prefers SLU life to living in the dormitories.

"It's a lot more homey and intimate," Stewart said.

CAH comprises 15 students, most of which are fine arts majors. However, a fine arts major is not a requirement.

The house moderator, senior Marie Jaquish, is majoring in the classics. What is more important is that people in the house all get along, creating a strong sense of community.

Over the years, both houses have deteriorated and multiple problems have arisen. Junior Jean-Marc Duplessis, a member of CAH since his sophomore year, voiced a variety of issues he had with the house.

"It would be nice if the windows and doors could be replaced or have new locks put on them," Duplessis said. "Our washer and dryer are half the size of the dorms, but we still have to pay the same amount. The house is also sinking into the ground since it's so old."

The biggest issue is the plumbing, which still gets backed up despite attempts to improve it.

"Last year there was a time when I was taking a shower and [feces] came out of the shower drain," Duplessis said. "It was disgusting."

Jaquish acknowledged that there were still issues with the houses, but that work was being done. Last year, WCSA put aside funding for the SLUs in a system where each SLU moderator could file a repair form with their RLC, Julia Brooker.

Brooker then takes each

form and brings it to the proper department. This led to CAH getting the old carpeting in the main living room of the brick house replaced with a new linoleum floor. The brick house also received new "used" furniture.

"I don't have too much of a problem with what else needs to be done with the house," Jaquish said. A request for two air filters has been approved, and a request for a new washer and dryer has been accepted.

She added, "There's not too much they can do with the plumbing since it's so old. But it's not about the house. It's the people that matter here."

While Jaquish pointed out the fact that the houses will eventually be torn down, she is confident that CAH will still be around afterward due to its fixture in the community. And while there will continue to be problems with the houses, all three said they wouldn't want to live anywhere else.

"I would rather live here than the dorms even if there were rats," Duplessis said.

SLUs provide alternative living option

By Trent VanHaitsma
Correspondent

Sick of living in the dormitories and want to live somewhere else? Ohio Wesleyan offers a wide variety of Small Living Units that are available to all students.

A SLU is a house of 10 to 15 students who linked together by a single interest and with the goal of building relationships with one another, the university and the community, while striving to accomplish a common house goal.

Goals vary from house to house, and each goal brings a sense of unity to the houses.

Senior Jennifer Kirsop, Women's House member, described SLUs as a "unique

living environment on our campus that combines the social aspects of college life with community service and campus programming."

OWU currently has eight active SLUs on campus: the Creative Arts House, House of Black Culture, House of Thought, International House, Modern Foreign Languages House, Peace and Justice House, Tree House and Women's House.

The process of joining a SLU is two-part, involving a written questionnaire and a personal interview with the members of the house. Students should pick up an application from the house they are interested in for more information.

The cost of living in a SLU is

the same as living in a dorm room. Students still get a meal plan and still have to do laundry. They are, however, responsible for their own bathroom cleaning.

"I am passionate about issues of women's health, safety, and equality on this campus, in our country and around the world, so the Women's House is a perfect fit for me," Kirsop said.

Don't know which SLU is for you? Throughout the year each SLU will be hosting special events and attending these events can give a student a feel for what the house stands for.

"Just stop by a house, hang out with the people who live there, discover what its like for yourself," Junior Erin Dezell said.



Bishops Sports

Injury to Hymes sets back Bishops

By Alex Humbert
Correspondent

Late in the fourth quarter of the first football game of the season, the Bishops suffered a devastating loss. Senior Steve Hymes, second-year starter at QB, broke his fibula on the last offensive play of the game and will be lost until at least week five of the season.

Hymes, who accounted for over 330 yards of total offense in the game, said the play he was injured on was a routine play and that he was just unlucky.

"I was running to the left and planted my right leg and everything felt normal when I got hit," Hymes said. "The thing is that I kept driving my legs to try to get into the end zone and fight for extra yards and I just felt it snap."

Hymes said the injury is not as bad as it sounds and his return, depending on how it heals, could be sooner than expected, and he could possibly return in their week five match up with Kenyon.

"You know, usually you wouldn't think there was anything good about an injury but there are some positives about the break being in my fibula," Hymes said. "The fibula is on the outside of my leg and it's not really a weight bearing bone, only 10%, so it may be a little painful to apply pressure but it's not that bad."

What made Hymes' injury so devastating for the Bishops is that they had no other quarterbacks on the active roster. A week before the first game the backup left the team, leaving the team with no signal caller after Hymes' injury.

The Bishops were forced to improvise, calling back junior Andrew Boff from retirement and moving freshman Mike Fisher over from the defense.

Fisher, who came to school as both a quarterback and a defensive back, started the first game at both free safety and returner.



Submitted photo

Quarterback Steve Hymes broke his fibula well after this play in the season's first game.

"When I first got here I only practiced a few times a week during camp at quarterback," Fisher said. "It's been kind of tough picking up the offense because it's unlike any offense I have ever run before and it's very complex. But every day in practice I'm becoming better and better."

Fisher said he's not worried about where he ends up when Hymes returns.

"I started defense week one when Hymes wasn't hurt but the team needed me to move so I did," Fisher said. "Both Rylan Mitter-Burke and Dan Delay, the guys playing in the secondary now, are playing really well."

Boff, who already had two years of learning the Bishops offense under his belt, said that his transition into coming back to the team was a fairly easy one.

"When I decided not to play this season it was a personal decision that really only affected

me, but when I found out that Hymes had gone down I realized that not being on the team was affecting the entire team," Boff said. "I wanted to help out the team and I knew that my strength would be that I already had two years of experience and I could jump right in there."

Boff said that it is sometimes tough getting into a rhythm because he is splitting every other series with Fisher.

"The hardest part is just getting into the flow of a game when you're splitting time," Boff said. "It probably takes us a little longer to get going but you just have to work with it and once you get in there you have to focus."

Both Fisher and Boff said that they each have their strengths that make them different.

Fisher said that as he and Boff get more comfortable with the offense they can start running different plays and using their abilities more.

"Right now everything is real vanilla and we are easing into it," Fisher said. "I'm a little more mobile than Boff and I'd say that he is a more capable and comfortable passer than I am, plus he has more experience with the offense."

Senior Dean Boylan, captain and three-year starter on the offensive line, said the loss of Hymes as a leader in the huddle is just as devastating as the loss of his abilities on the field.

"Hymes, he's been there before with us and he has the ability to take over a game and, yeah, we'll miss that," Boylan said.

"But that's not to say that we don't have the utmost confidence in both Boff and Fisher because both those guys are doing a great job and we just have to keep playing on. You have to be tough to play football because this is a tough sport, people get hurt, and that's just the nature of the game."

Runners complete several successful meets

By Catie Coleman
Transcript Reporter

On Saturday morning while most Ohio Wesleyan University students were sound asleep, 32 made their way across campus to load a crowded bus. This is the world of a cross country runner: early to bed, early to rise.

They are all too familiar with the long cramped rides to golf courses, parks, makeshift trails with manmade hills (with the sole purpose is to make their journey more difficult).

On Sept. 15, the runners made their way to Bowling Green State University for the Mel Brodt Invitational, and at the end of the day, most would agree the trip

had been worth it.

The women's team placed 10th out of 14 teams and was the only Division III team in the race.

Junior Leah Schmelzer led the team and covered the five-kilometer course in a time of 19 minutes and 22 seconds. Closely following her were freshmen Kat Zimmerly and Jesi Dackin, sophomore Claire Everhart and junior Laura Binkley.

"As a team we all ran well," sophomore Caitlin Chesnut said. "We were more intelligent and worked together in packs better."

Pack running is generally a strategy in cross country racing, but only with a group of runners with about the same ability. Fortunately, OWU has just that.

This was the third meet this season for the team. They previously raced in the Dayton Meijer Flyer 5k where they placed first of four teams and the GLCA Championship meet where they placed second of eight.

The men's team started off the season with a second place showing in the field of four at the Flyer 5k, fifth of nine at the GLCA meet and eighth of 12 at the Mel Brodt Invitational on Saturday.

Junior David Stefanik and sophomore Christian Schlabach, both of Wooster, Ohio, have been the two front-runners so far this season. Stefanik was first for the team at the Mel Brodt Invitational, finishing the 8,000-meter course in 26 minutes and 29 seconds.

Only seconds behind him was junior Clay Davis, followed by Schlabach, senior Pete MacLeod and junior Gary Brenneman.

"I feel like the team really focused this past week and did a good job working together," MacLeod said. "We're getting used to the 8k now."

The Mel Brodt was the second 8k of the season. Their first race was a 5k. MacLeod added that the team goals are to improve from the past years in order to establish themselves in both the conference and the nation. "I think this year we set goals the entire team believes in," MacLeod said.

The men's and women's teams will be competing this Saturday at the Otterbein Invitational.

Smith 'all go and no quit'

By Brian Test
Correspondent

All go and no quit is the best way to describe senior soccer player Meg Smith. She plays outside midfielder for Coach Bob Barnes and the OWU women's soccer team. Smith has played soccer since she was four in her hometown of Portage, Michigan.

She was a key player for Portage Northern High School, being named the MVP of the team her junior and senior years. Smith also played for the Michigan Hawks club team.

"I am not really a flashy player. I try to be a better all around player by working hard in the off-season, staying in shape, and using my experience to outsmart the competition," Smith said.

Smith has been fortunate to have not suffered any serious injuries to keep her out of games at OWU.

Smith has been a consistent player and leader throughout her career, earning Third Team All North Coast Athletic Conference honors in 2006.

This year, the team decided to go in a different direction and not name captains. Instead, all the seniors are able to be a captain for each game.

Smith said, "Since we do not have specific captains for the year, I try to be the best leader I can be during practice leading up to each game. I think it is important to have good senior leadership for this year and for the future teams. The seniors push each other to work harder and play better because we each want to be the captain for the upcoming game. It's a good way to help us stay competitive during the season."

Barnes said Smith has been fun to coach because of her great character and personality.

Barnes said, "Watching Smith's progression since freshman year has been a real pleasure because she is such a hard worker and extremely motivated. She brings good leadership and knowledge of the game by coming from a strong high school program."

Barnes said that it was tough for the coaching staff to play her more because she came in as a freshman and was behind very talented players at her position. Smith kept working hard and it paid off for her and the team.

Junior midfielder Emily Steger said Smith has been a fantastic leader for the team.

"Smith's attitude day in and day out is always positive, and it makes playing soccer more fun because she is around," Steger said. "When Smith graduates it will be a tough loss to the OWU women's team,"



Bishops Sports

Late goal finalizes men's soccer win

By Greg Stull
Transcript Reporter

A late goal from senior midfielder Nick Skoczen gave Ohio Wesleyan the win against Wabash in the first conference match played by both sides on Sunday in Crawfordsville, Ind.

Skoczen's goal in the 84th minute, off an assist from sophomore midfielder Will Murawski, broke a 1-1 tie between the Bishops and the Little Giants. The Bishops had struck first with a goal in the 34th minute by freshman forward Tyler Wall, assisted by sophomore midfielder Jordan Halloran.

The Little Giants had responded in the 59th minute with a goal from Andrew Kapsalis, assisted by Mark Babcock and Gary Simkus, but Skoczen scored his 4th goal of the season to give Ohio Wesleyan the victory.

The Bishops outshot Wabash 22-9. Senior goalkeeper Jamison Dague made 2 saves for the Bishops; John Miller made 3 saves for Wabash.

Dague said the Bishops played well but had trouble finishing Wabash off early.

"We let them stay in the game and gave them a few free kicks where they could use their tall players. They capitalized," he said. "The late winner by Nick was a great goal, but I think everyone would agree we should have finished a few more."

Ohio Wesleyan's win against Wabash followed a 3-0 against 21st-ranked DePauw on Friday night at Roy Rike Field.

The Bishops attacked early with a through ball to freshman forward Tyler Bryant in the 1st minute that was broken up by DePauw's defense and then again in the 3rd minute when Bryant broke into the box and took a shot

that was deflected out by Wabash keeper John Fenley.

The Tigers responded in the 5th minute when Mike Harris took a shot from the right top-corner of the box that was saved by Dague, who made 5 saves during the game.

The Bishops then pulled ahead in the 11th minute with a goal by freshman defender Eric Laipple on a direct kick. Placed left center about 20 yards out, Laipple sent a low, bending ball through the dense mix of players in the box into the far corner.

Laipple almost converted again in the 40th minute on a free kick from the right side, with a curling shot that arched over the wall and down, just wide of the near post.

After a long scoreless stretch, Wall increased the Bishop's lead to 2 in the 59th minute, when he took the ball up the left side, cut to the middle, and sent hard shot from the top of the box into the net. Then in the 65th the Bishops sealed the win when Halloran, after receiving a pass from Wall on the left side, finished a shot from the top of the box.

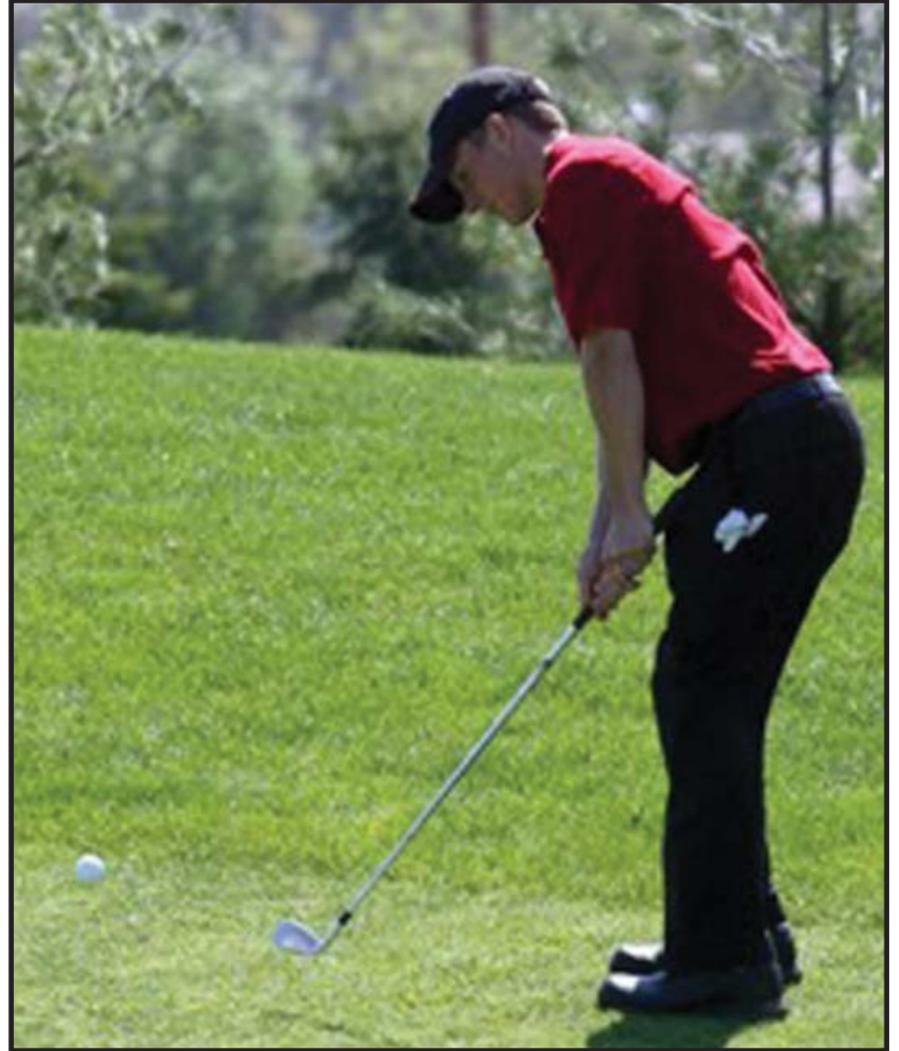
Despite the appearance of a strong win by the Bishops, Coach Jay Martin wasn't please with his team's performance against DePauw—"Not at all," he said.

"We didn't put three passes together," he said. "What we have here is a bunch of good players—but we're not playing together, we're not looking to combine."

Dague also said the team had trouble combining. "Individual efforts certainly made the difference, especially Tyler Wall's goal in the second half," he said.

Martin said the team has incredible potential. "But if we don't start playing together, we won't be any better than a mediocre team."

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Junior Jeff Nieman won medalist honors at the Kenyon College Invitational held Saturday and Sunday. Ohio Wesleyan won the 36-hole tournament with a 592, overcoming a 4 stroke deficit after the first round.

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might help them get their players to make strong choices," Ingles said. "The survey will allow our administrative staff in athletics to get a clearer understanding of the use of drugs or performance enhancers by our athletes. It will help us with educational programming for our athletes and will allow our staff to better understand the issues involved in student-athletes' lives today."

Kris Boey, coach of men's and women's track and field and cross country, supports the ideas of the new program but said the onset won't change anything in terms

of team conduct or expectations.

"Just because there is new testing now doesn't change how we conduct ourselves," Boey said. "Being a school within the NCAA guidelines, we abide by the rules as we always have."

Ingles said that while putting an end to drug use in NCAA athletics is a step in the right direction, he knows that there will still be those against the program.

"The students entering Ohio Wesleyan have been involved in most cases with drug-testing at the high school level, but student-athletes will still be split. Some

will feel a need for their own privacy. Some will want this type of program. But the most important part is the NCAA will not allow an athlete to compete unless they agree to this program."

Coutts said, "In terms of this program, I'm not worried about myself, my teammates, or any of my classmates, for that matter. We all know what decisions we should be making. I'm just glad to finally see a program like this in Division III athletics. This shows just how much effort everyone is putting in, and ... it will definitely have a positive ef-

Columnist doesn't believe in curses, but Cub fans do

In sports there is always talk of a specific city or a specific team being cursed because they might not be as successful as fans might like.

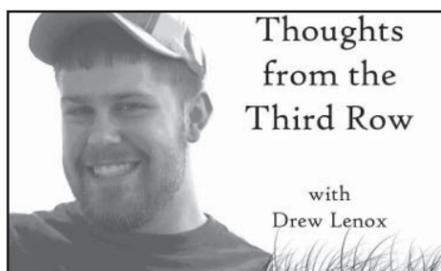
I'm not sure I believe in any of it, but if I did, I'd say the Chicago Cubs might be the most cursed of all.

At the time I am writing this, the Cubs are 78-72. With 12 games to go, they lead the Milwaukee Brewers for the division title by one game.

If the Cubs can hold on, they would make the playoffs and have a chance to win the World Series and end all talks of the curse of the Chicago Cubs.

They are thought to be cursed because they have not won a World Series since 1908. This 98-year drought has caused many to feel they are cursed.

To put it in perspective, there are seven teams who have five or more World Series championships, with the Yankees



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winning 26, since the Cubs have raised the Commissioner's Trophy.

Eight teams have never won a World Series, but none of their histories extends past 1961.

At the end of this season, the owners of the franchise will look to sell the team to someone like Mark Cuban. Could Cuban help break the curse?

I don't think so. Cuban would make the Cubbies the best team in baseball, and they would be highly favored to win the championship. Then, they would lose in

the first round. Wait a second. That's Mark Cuban's other team.

If you are still reading this believing there is no such thing as a curse on the Chicago Cubs, let's look at the last three World Series championship teams and try to imagine if Cub fans could have gone through more misery.

In 2004, the Boston Red Sox were able to get past the Yankees and then win the championship. The Red Sox, who had always shared some of the stigma of a cursed team, had now broken their so-called curse.

Immediately following that, the White Sox won in 2005. How bad was it for the Cub fans to see their rivals from the south side of Chicago get what they wanted most?

If that wasn't bad enough, the Cubs had to watch their big divisional rival, the St. Louis Cardinals, win last year. Three years

in a row, Cubs fans have been hit even harder with the curse.

So, maybe because those things are out of the way it means the Cubs are the team of destiny for 2007.

I think the Cubs are like a kid in gym class waiting to be picked to play kickball. They have just have seen the other kid who gets made fun of picked for a team, then their arch-nemesis and then their little brother. The Cubs could be picked next but the kids decide otherwise.

They let Johnny be the all-time pitcher, and the Cubs are left out to keep score once again.

Because I am not a Cubs fan, I don't understand the curse nor do I really believe in it. But fans on the north side of Chicago do, and I guarantee if the Cubs make the playoffs, every single one of them will be watching to make sure Steve Bartman gets nowhere close to Wrigley Field.