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## Avesta to close

**By Miranda Simmons**  
*Editor-in-Chief*

It's official; Avesta Eclectic Cuisine is closing Oct. 21.

The restaurant's closure wasn't because it was unsuccessful, but rather because of an ordeal that started some time ago between restaurant owner, Avesta Saaty, and her landlord Michelle Platt.

According to Saaty, her lease was up Aug. 31, and she wanted to try to buy the building from Platt. Platt, however, was not willing to negotiate a selling price of between \$65,000 and \$70,000, more than Platt bought the building for a year and a half ago, Saaty said, and Saaty could not finance the building.

Saaty said she then tried to negotiate her rental lease and received a 10-day eviction notice between Sept. 6 and Sept. 9. A couple days later, Saaty was contacted by Platt's lawyer, who said his client wanted to negotiate; so Saaty said she thought the eviction notice was voided.

She said her lawyer and Platt's lawyer got together to try to negotiate, but there were some structural and mechanical problems with the building Saaty thought should be Platt's responsibility.

"The H-vac (heating and cooling system) was inadequate; the hot water tank is a residential two-person hot water tank that I have to share with her apartment upstairs; the water line – I have to pay for the utilities upstairs even though it's not in my lease that I'm not supposed to -- and she wanted me to separate that out," Saaty said. "That should be her responsibility. She's getting rent from upstairs equipment."

Saaty said one of the structural issues involves the back walls separating from the building, a problem, Saaty said, Platt knew about when she bought the building.

"And despite not wanting to do all that, she wanted to raise my rent by 50 percent," Saaty said.

Then, on Sept. 17, Saaty said she got an e-mail from Platt's lawyer saying she had to be out of the building by Sept. 19 because she had already gotten a 10-day notice.

"I frantically had to call and tell my workers," Saaty said. "Everyone was crying. I had to scramble to figure out how am I going to get this stuff out of here, where am I going to go? I have no income. I'm self-employed. I took everything – all of my money

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## Jumping into Jell-O



Photo by Miranda Simmons

Sophomore Adam Dworetzky, a Chi Phi, slurps down his second Jell-O pie in the Greek Week Jell-O eating contest Wednesday. 'The Jello was excellent,' Dworetzky said. 'The flavors were good. Lots of variety.' Chi Phi is paired with Kappa Alpha Theta (Theta) and Alpha Phi Alpha to make Team Epsilon for this week's competition. Chi Phi and Theta won the competition by putting away 7 1/2 pies in three rounds. For more Greek Week photos, see pages six and seven.

## Domestic violence becomes issue during October

**By Mary Beth Scherer**  
*Transcript Reporter*

Every 15 seconds a woman is battered in the United States. During October, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, people are called to remember the victims and survivors of domestic violence, as well as come up with ways to put an end to these statistics.

Colleen Cook, counseling services director, said domestic violence can take several different forms.

"Domestic violence typically occurs when a spouse, intimate partner or family member attempts to physically or psychologically dominate an individual," Cook said. "It can include physical, sexual or emotional abuse, or a combination of all of them."

Cook said she believes domestic violence is a big problem worldwide.

"As far as I am concerned, even one case of domestic violence is unacceptable, but

current statistics show that up to twenty percent of all violence against women is actually enacted by the woman's intimate partner," said Cook. "That is a frightening statistic, which reflects a strong need for our culture to do more to educate men and women about the dangers of domestic violence and to work to develop stronger prevention strategies."

According to its website, Turning Point is an agency that "has the social responsibility to respond to the needs of victims of domestic violence by providing shelter, counseling, advocacy and general support services and to identify and confront the causes of domestic violence."

Turning Point covers not only Delaware, but Crawford, Marion, Morrow, Union and Wyandot counties, which makes Turning Point the largest service area of any domestic violence program in the state, according to a Turning Point brochure.

Angelo Boccia, a program aide at Turning Point, said Domestic

Violence Awareness Month is important because domestic violence is not an issue people think about all the time.

"It's comforting for victims and survivors to know that there are people out there concerned with and willing to listen to their issues," said Boccia.

Boccia said Domestic Violence Awareness Month reminds people why domestic violence is an important issue and what they can do about it.

Cook said Domestic Violence Awareness Month is an opportunity to educate people about domestic violence.

"Unfortunately, I think most people have an extremely narrow definition of domestic violence, often making it difficult for them to recognize when they, or someone else they know, becomes involved in a violent relationship," said Cook.

Boccia said domestic violence is an issue that should concern college students.

"A lot of younger people

may rush into relationships that might not be good for them," said Boccia. "There is often not enough action taken right away to end these relationships."

According to the Turning Point website, there are some red flags people, including college students, should be aware of when they are involved in a relationship. The following are a list of questions to ask:

Does your partner refuse to let you spend time alone? Is your partner displeased by your accomplishments and ambitions? When angry does your partner break or throw things? Does your partner blame you for everything that goes wrong? Is your partner unable to express affection aside from the times he/she is sorry for abusing you and when your partner wants, or you are having sex?

A complete list of red flags can be found at [www.turningpoint6.com](http://www.turningpoint6.com).

Cook said it is important for men and women to understand the

difference between a healthy and an unhealthy relationship. She said that red flags can indicate whether or not a person's partner is an abuser.

"If we can make students more aware of the danger signals to look out for, hopefully students will be able to avoid these types of damaging relationships," said Cook.

Boccia said one of the misconceptions is that only women are in unhealthy relationships. Boccia said it is not always women who are being abused, and abuse can happen in both heterosexual and homosexual relationships.

Students looking for help or more information concerning domestic violence can contact Counseling Services at (740) 368-3145, or visit the office in H.W.C.C. 324 to speak with a trained professional.

Students can also contact Turning Point at (740) 382-8988, or the Turning Point crisis line at (800) 232-6505.

## Econ department gathers to grill

By Megan Quinn  
Correspondent

Students, professors and a whole lot of hamburgers and hot dogs; this was the scene at the Sept. 19 Economics Department picnic, hosted by the econ student board and held on the lawn between Beeghly library and the R.W. Corns building.

"I really enjoyed the picnic the department put on," said senior Lindsey Macklin, an accounting major. "I think it's a great way to meet other students in my major, and this way we have a chance to just hang out and have a good time."

In fact, bringing students together is just one of the goals of the department when hosting these kinds of events, said department chair Barbara MacLeod.

"The Economics Department wants to provide opportunities for students to get to know each

other outside the classroom, and also for them to interact with the faculty on a more informal basis," MacLeod said.

Senior Elliot Kaple, a member of the student board, said the board plays a major role in helping the department plan events.

"Our primary focus is planning the picnics, which we host every fall and spring," Kaple said. "We also help with any other events the department wants to plan, such as speakers or other lectures. We are always open to new thoughts and ideas."

MacLeod said the department and student board have always worked together.

"Last year, the student board put together a trivia quiz about the faculty, and one year, we had a pumpkin carving contest," MacLeod said. "The department also hosts career events, where we invite alum to campus to talk about career options or graduate

school. We are considering other ideas, but we also depend upon the student board as well."

Kaple said he thinks the student board is a very positive part of the department and focuses on the department's goals of connecting the students and faculty.

"The student board is a great way for students and faculty to keep in touch," Kaple said. "Any issues that arise can be resolved more effectively because of the open relationship that has already been established between the students and faculty through the use of the student board."

MacLeod says the Economics Department has many more plans in store for the upcoming year, including the spring picnic and speakers.

"I think the best part about the events we plan is that students and faculty meet in a social setting and are able to interact just as regular people," MacLeod said.

## Cities going global

By Emily Steger  
Transcript Reporter

The Benes Room was filled with students and faculty when "a leading theorist on globalization and its impact on cities," Saskia Sassen, spoke about "The Global City: Where Rich and Poor Meet" as part of the 2007 Sagan National Colloquium.

According to the Sagan National Colloquium pamphlet, Sassen coined the term "Global Cities," referring to powerful urban places like New York, London, Mumbai, Beijing, and Tokyo. Sassen, who appeared on campus Sept. 20, said cities are strategic places.

"History, finance, poverty, bankruptcy, departures and losses are all conditions that help emerge this strategic place," Sassen said.

Junior Allie Cozzone attended the National Colloquium for her Black World Studies class.

"It was very interesting to see Sassen put together her theory of the city," Cozzone said. "In particular, I enjoyed listening to her argument about the rich and poor."

Sassen said the argument of socio-economic status has been changing within cities for the past 20 to 30 years.

"In a larger context, the rich play out today (in the space of a city) in a very distinct way," Sassen said. "Unlike years in the past, the rich need the city. There is less care for the poor and powerless, and the rich are now coming together in this city space, creating a frontier zone."

Sassen said when zooming in and looking at the cities of today, there is an emphasis on industrialism playing a critical role.

Senior Lindsey Hoffer said she

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— and put it into this building. ... I work every day. I don't have a savings; this is my savings right here."

After receiving the e-mail, Saaty said her lawyer tried to contact Platt and her attorney but got no response. She said some people who work for the city of Delaware, including Gus Comstock, director of Economic Development, came in and got her lease extended until Sept. 29.

Communications director for the city of Delaware, Lee Yoakum, said people saw signs on Avesta's windows announcing the impending closing and felt someone should get involved.

"I wanted to make sure all sides understood the issue," Yoakum said. "The sides were at least able to understand each other's position. ... Ultimately, this is a situation between a property owner and a business owner."

Saaty said, "I feel that is the reason why it (the lease) got extended until the end of the month. Because the city got involved in helping me."

Saaty said Platt called her wanting to negotiate again on Sept. 21. Platt told Saaty she had until Sept. 24 to sign the lease. When that day rolled around, Saaty said she didn't hear anything from Platt or her attorney.

"At that point, I was frantic and I said, 'I cannot shut down. I'm going to lose too much. My workers will lose their jobs. I'm going to be financially devastated. I didn't have a choice and she knows it,'" Saaty said. "And then



Photo by Miranda Simmons

### Avesta Eclectic Cuisine

we didn't hear anything. Didn't hear anything Tuesday. Finally my lawyer called and said, 'What's going on? Avesta needs to know what's going on.'"

Saaty said that although the happenings of those few days are a bit blurry, Platt sold the building between Sept.

21 and Sept. 24. She also said an Italian restaurant will be taking her place in the Avesta location.

"It's kind of like a slap in the face where I've worked this hard, and they're going to reap the benefits of me establishing a nice restaurant. And whether they change the décor or whatever, it doesn't matter. The fact of the matter is people know this spot as a good restaurant."

Saaty said she has received phone calls from Delaware locals telling her they're going to boycott whatever restaurant takes her place.

She also said she has looked at about six different spots to relocate and has been contacted by several different landlords.

"The problem is I spent all my money in this place, and it costs a lot to move a restaurant, and unless an investor or someone who is financially going to help me. ... It's very hard for me to do that," she said.

Platt refused comment.

Yoakum said, "It's our belief it's always good to keep existing businesses in Delaware, and we are willing to work to facilitate that."

This means the city will work to keep Saaty apprised of what properties are open and let owners know she's looking to rent.

"I'm really hoping it works out where I can just open back up right away," Saaty said.

## New RLC values positive change

By Ryan Armstrong  
Transcript Reporter

Ohio Wesleyan welcomed new Residential Life Coordinator Brandon Moss this semester.

Moss said he is excited to be working at Ohio Wesleyan as a RLC because he feels welcomed by both the students and staff.

"I feel right at home here," Moss said. "I greatly enjoy working with the students at OWU because there is such respect for diversity and open-mindedness here."

An RLC supervises a residential hall, including the actual building, residents, a staff of RAs

and tasks that go with the building.

Moss said he oversees the Bashford, Thompson and Welch halls.

"I supervise for approximately 430 residents and a staff of 13 RAs," said Moss. "I also process work requests for the building, handle incidences that occur within the building and advise the RAs in establishing a community among the residents."

Moss said he wants to help the university be the safest and the most enjoyable experience for the campus community.

"I am always working hard to make positive changes in the

world around me," said Moss. "This is particularly true in attention to respect and understanding between people and their differences, diversity and open-mindedness."

Moss went to Otterbein College where he was an RA and a student hall director. Moss also was a public school teacher for the last two years.

"I don't live by a certain quote or anything, but my favorite is 'God bless the whole world with no exceptions,'" Moss said.

"If only everyone in the world could adopt that thought as their own, most of our big problems would clear up."

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# Campus News

## Greeks gets first advisor in three years

By Michael DiBiasio  
Transcript Reporter

Allison Bressler, Ohio Wesleyan's new Greek advisor, began work in the Student Involvement Office on Sept. 5, making it the first time in three years the university has had a full-time, live-in Greek advisor.

Bressler said she is still adjusting to the university and its chapters, but is excited about the upcoming year nonetheless.

"I love Greek life," Bressler said. "You have to love it to do it. I still am getting used to everything. I think Greek life provides many new challenges and new adventures every day. I am definitely getting a whole new experience here ... than I did at my previous job ...."

Before coming to OWU, Bressler was the assistant director of Student Programs and Leadership Development at Lycoming College in Williamsport, Penn., a position which encompassed many of the same responsibilities she has now as Greek advisor. Bressler will oversee National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) and National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) groups on campus. Bressler will also serve as the advisor to Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic



Bressler

"My main goal is to be a

resource for the students and to help them get the most out of their Greek experience," Bressler said. "I wouldn't be anywhere if I hadn't joined a Greek organization, so I want our Greek members to experience every opportunity they can.

"Also, I want IFC and Panhellenic to expand on what they are doing currently. I think we have some great leadership with the two councils, and we can only go forward from here."

Debbie Lamp, director of Student Involvement, served as the interim Greek advisor for the past three years, struggling to find a full-time, live-in advisor.

"Allison is a neat person," Lamp said. "[She] is very knowledgeable about Greek life and has two years of experience

doing a very similar job."

Lamp said she expects Bressler will build good rapport with the chapters and their constituents, get to know the campus and look for ways she can better serve the Greek community.

Bressler has already gotten involved.

"I have done a lot of observing, speaking with alumni, speaking with students, speaking with people in my office," Bressler said. "I think the Greek system, from what I have observed and interacted with, is a great system. They have a lot going for them and can only go forward."

Overall, Bressler said she was pleased with the university's Greek community upon arrival.

"I am also impressed about the amount of students that can see

the bigger picture of Greek life and work to have the system here be all inclusive," Bressler said. "The community is further along than other Greek systems I have worked with. They really should be commended."

Lamp said she would agree, but with three years of experience she has become more aware of the Greek community's blemishes.

"Overall, the OWU Greek community is a collective of amazing people," Lamp said. "The thing that upsets me is that if each person in the system worked for two hours a week on the system, it would definitely be the strongest system in the nation."

Both Bressler and Lamp can be reached in the Student Involvement Office on the first floor of Ham-Will for questions.

## Parking system not what students hoped it would be

By Sarah Shkoukani  
Transcript Correspondent

Ohio Wesleyan has upgraded its parking permit system, only allowing cars with specific parking stickers to park in designated areas. The upgrade has caused students with cars difficulty and concerns.

Last year, the parking system had students purchase one parking sticker, which allowed them to park in non-academic and residential parking lots.

Now, a new parking permit system has been put in place, giving students the ability to park around campus but only in certain parking lots labeled with certain letters.

Parking stickers labeled A are given to faculty and administrative members. Parking stickers labeled B are given to commuters. Stickers labeled C are given to upper classmen, allowing them to park in non-academic and residential parking lots.

Stickers labeled D are given to

sophomores parking at fraternity and Roy Rike parking lots. Stickers labeled E are given to freshmen. Each parking stickers cost \$60. Around campus, each parking lot has a sign stating which letter parking sticker can park there.

Sophomore Lori Durham said she brought her car because she had won the campus parking lottery. However, winning the lottery didn't give Durham the privilege she expected.

"When my name was pulled, I assumed it was a good thing, but it turns out the lottery doesn't help," Durham said.

"They gave me a parking sticker labeled D, so I have to park at Phi Psi's lot when there are available spots in my (Bashford) residential lot."

Durham said she doesn't think it's an outrageous request to park in Bashford lot as it is empty a majority of the time.

As for her roommate, sophomore Jessica Copeland, she said she didn't bring her car

because Durham brought hers.

"There are times where our schedules are different and I need to get somewhere, that's when I wish I had my car here," Copeland said. "However, my biggest concern when I bring my car next semester is parking since people are already having trouble."

Some students are willing to pay the \$60 to park and avoid parking tickets. However, there are students who find the parking pass too expensive.

Sophomore Lauren Culp said she decided to bring her car for the same reasons as everyone else but decided not to spend money on the parking sticker.

"There are so many other places to park where it's free so I didn't see the point in buying one," Culp said.

Culp said the street in front of Bashford always has spots to park, and it's a short walk to her car and back.

"I think if you pay for a parking pass, you should be able to park anywhere on campus and not just

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# Arts & Entertainment

## OWU presents *Madwoman*



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OWU theater students, from left, freshman Kate Alexander and seniors Brandon McMickens, Bryn Trogdon and Phillip Rademeyer and freshman Joanna VanSickle portray characters in Jean Giraudoux's *The Madwoman of Chaillot*.

Ohio Wesleyan University's Department of Theatre and Dance will stage the Jean Giraudoux comedy *The Madwoman of Chaillot* Oct. 26 to 27 and Nov. 2 to 4 on the main stage inside Chappellear Drama Center, 45 Rowland Ave.

Show times are at 8 p.m. on Oct. 26 and Nov. 2; 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 27 and Nov. 3; and 2 p.m. on Nov. 4.

Set across from the Eiffel Tower, this visionary play reveals a heightened world of reality where truth and honor are pitted against avarice and greed.

The play takes a surreal look at exploitation in Paris as an eccentric woman and her eclectic band of friends battle corruption with startling results. The play will be presented as part of Ohio Wesleyan's 2007 Sagan National Colloquium theme, "Cities and Suburbs: Life in a Metropolitan World."

The cast and crew comprise more than 50 Ohio Wesleyan students, including Katie Ferguson '09 (Silver Spring, Md.) as stage manager, Barbara

Eldredge '08 (Spokane, Wash.) as lighting designer, and Jessica Ferguson '09 (Lawrenceville, Ga.) as sound designer.

Student actors starring in the piece include Allison Draper '08 (Dublin), Kate Alexander '10 (Cincinnati), Bryn Trogdon '08 (Powell, Ohio), Joanna VanSickle '10 (Delaware), Brandon McMickens '08 (Washington, D.C.), and Philip Rademeyer '08 (Paarl, South Africa).

The play is directed by Elane Denny, professor of theatre, and the set is designed by D. Glen Vanderbilt Jr., professor of theatre. Jacqueline Shelley designed the costumes.

To reserve tickets, call the Ohio Wesleyan Theatre Department office from 9 a.m. to noon or 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at (740) 368-3845. After Oct. 15, the Theatre Box Office will be open at (740) 368-3855.

General admission is \$7, with discounts for students, senior citizens, and groups of 10 or more.

## Ice hockey future still up for grabs

By Matt Rissell  
Transcript Reporter

On Sept. 26, club ice hockey met with the WCSA's Budget Committee for re-approval of funding, and will meet with the WCSA full-body counsel for further conversation.

Sophomore Jerry Maust said the team's future seems uncertain; some of the players have assembled but there have been no formal practices.

"We hope to schedule practices this year earlier at 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays," Maust said. "Practices have traditionally been much later in the evening."

Senior William Bridgeo, former president of club hockey, said the team has had to face problems every year, explicitly with WCSA.

"WCSA denied us our entire funding for this year because we missed an informational meeting. We understand that this looks bad; however, WCSA should support clubs that support the diverse activities available at OWU," Bridgeo

said. "The club hockey program has potential; there are a lot of skilled players on the team and many interested students."

The club has home games at the Chiller Arena near Columbus; they have traveled as far as Kentucky and Indiana for away games. Last season's record was 4-13. Maust said there have been a promising number of freshmen interested.

Freshman Rob Wososki said he was excited to play.

"My expectations are to come home with a championship ring and to beat Denison," Wososki said.

"There are a lot of other freshmen interested, and some of them have taken post graduate years and have a lot of experience on the ice."

Senior Joey Yost, vice-president of WCSA, said that funding has specific rules outlined. Problems that have occurred with the hockey team were related to them asking for funding for an event after it has taken place.

Bridgeo said the current status of club hockey is generally unknown but underway.

## Talbott to lecture Oct. 9

Strobe Talbott is the current president of the Washington, D.C.-based Brookings Institution, a former U.S. deputy secretary of state, and a former chief correspondent for *Time* magazine.

"Strobe Talbott is one of the most prominent figures in the last several decades of American foreign policy and one of the most important contributors to our on-

going effort to understanding the global dynamics of the 21st century," said Professor Sean Kay, chair of OWU's International Studies Program.

Talbott will deliver Ohio Wesleyan's 19th annual John Kennard Eddy Memorial Lecture on World Politics at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 9 in the Benes Rooms at Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.

## Jay Z Claims title 'GOAT'; LL Cool J expresses displeasure

By Simon Brown  
Transcript Reporter

Since Jay-Z became the president of Def Jam in 2006, he has been under scrutiny by fellow Def Jam rappers: Method Man, Cam'Ron and DMX who have all expressed displeasure for the president's lack of enthusiasm and promotion of their latest albums.

Added to this list of critics is fellow Def Jam veteran, LL Cool J.

LL Cool J had previously stated his displeasure with Jay-Z's lack of promotion about his album, *Todd Smith*. He has recently repeated his displeasure by saying, "Jay-Z does a great job ... promoting Jay-Z"



LL Cool J has previously titled himself "The G.O.A.T." (the greatest of all time) because of his longevity in hip-hop, even using this as a title for an album.

His first album *Radio* was released 22 years ago. LL Cool J apparently got upset at Jay-Z's verse, "I Get Money (Remix)" by 50 Cent, where Jay-Z says, "Still hustling, baby! Hurry up, kill me/ I'm already the goat next stop is the billy."

LL apparently took offense with Jay-Z calling himself "the goat," and argued, "Instead of doing that verse, you should've been doing your job."

LL Cool J has one album left on his contract, which he has titled *Exit 13*, symbolizing his thirteenth album and plans to leave Def Jam after finishing it. He is also working very closely with 50 Cent, and there are rumors he might sign with G-Unit after his Def Jam contract expires.

Jay-Z does promote himself a lot, but LL is just in denial. He really should stick to bodybuilding and movies, because his albums are weak. Out of his past four albums, he had only three big singles, most of which are love songs, and his

writing credibility has fallen.

The song entitled "Proof of this" is on his last album, which contained 13 tracks, and only one song did not have a featured artist.

I can understand Jay-Z not promoting the album as he would be promoting a washed up rapper singing love ballads. I think LL is trying to do some self-promotion by attacking Jay-Z. After teaming with 50, it's obvious he's trying to stay current by jumping on the bandwagon. I also think that Jay-Z's line is not a direct shot at the veteran; rather, he is just claiming his crown, which I honestly think he deserves more than LL.

Even though Kingdom Come

was not Jay-Z's best work, it is better than LL Cool J's last five albums. So instead of complaining, LL should take a page out of Jay-Z's book.

I will say that as president of Def Jam, Jay-Z needs to do a much better job promoting his artists and stop focusing only on himself and Rihanna.

The evidence is in the mass departure of rappers (especially veterans) from the label. On the other hand, LL Cool J needs to get over his ego and realize he is not the Hip-Hop powerhouse he used to be.

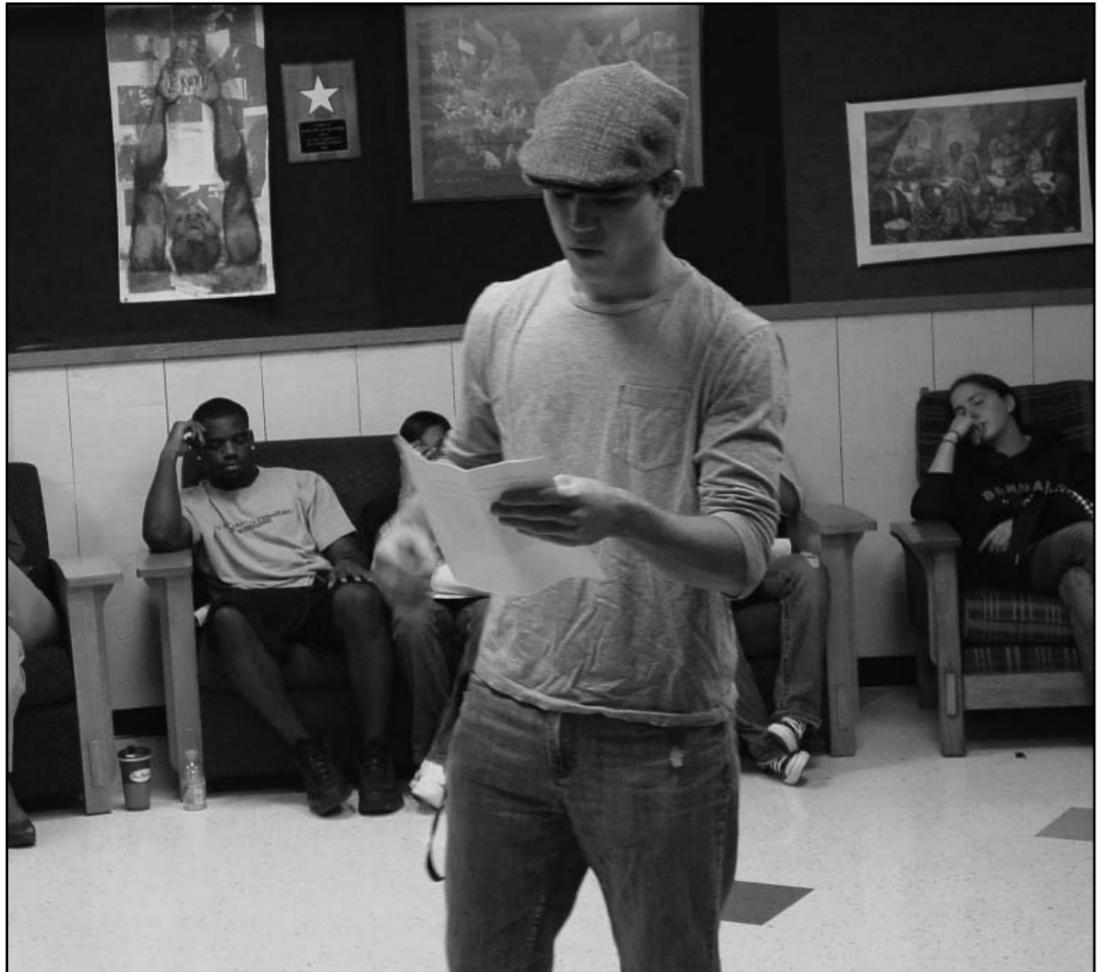
He should stop licking his lips and start writing good music, and maybe he will make a good album worthy of proper promotion.

# Arts & Entertainment

## Grand slam poetry jam!

As part of the Office of Minority Affairs Week activities, freshman Frank Weschler, right, and senior Maygen Hall, below, recite original poems at the Sister's United open mic poetry reading on Thursday, Sept. 27. The performance took place in the Willa B. Player Center (The Cave). Other events that week included Tea and Song, Wing Night at Brown Jug, a spades tournament at the House of Black Culture and a shopping trip into the city. The entire campus was invited to participate in the celebration.

Photos by Rob Misener



## Campus hosts comedian **CITIES** from Page 1

Comedian Demetri Martin, best known for his appearances on "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart" and "Late Night with Conan O'Brien," will perform at Ohio Wesleyan University at 8 p.m., Nov. 7, in University Hall's Gray Chapel.

A graduate of Yale University, Martin dropped out of New York University School of Law to pursue his standup career at the Boston Comedy Club in New York City. He has since appeared

on numerous television shows and was nominated in 2004 for an Emmy Award for his comedic writing on NBC's "Late Night with Conan O'Brien." In 2005, he won a Writers Guild of America Award for the same show.

Martin's appearance is sponsored by Ohio Wesleyan's Campus Programming Board. Tickets will be available starting Oct. 15 at the university's Information Desk in Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.

found it interesting when Sassen brought up the two different political actors within a city.

"Sassen mentioned Global Capital and the disadvantaged working class, two political actors within a city, each needing one another to survive," Hoffer said. "This point helped me understand a bit more of where she was coming from."

Sassen said within Global Capitalism, the political actor's role becomes increasingly elusive and privatized. Global Capital then becomes visible and concrete to men and women who translate its outcome into a transformed urban space.

"After this point is reached within the Global Capital, politics can begin to happen," Sassen said.

Sassen said the disadvantaged working class, consisting of migrants and women, is equally as important. "Although these workers are disadvantaged, they are equally as important of a political actor within the city," Sassen said. "They are long term, undocumented residents within the city but their daily routines allow them to become part of the community. This formal social contract is not fully authorized but recognized."

Sassen said even if these people are powerless, they could still make history within the cities. Politics can make a change; it will just be done in different ways. "The city will allow these powerless people to make politics," Sassen said.

## OWU Greek life looks for unique individuals as members

**Rafaya Sufi**  
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Everyone thinks rushing is like walking into a room full of people with five people sizing you up, but that's really not the case, according to sophomore Pab Somboon.

Somboon, affiliated with fraternity Sigma Chi, said he wants unaffiliated men and perspective brothers to realize that rushing fraternities is not as scary as people think it is.

"We're not after your looks for heaven's sake," Somboon said. "We have no criteria. If the brothers like you, you're in. We don't look at what brands you're wearing, what your hair looks like."

Somboon said that when it comes time to rush, people just want to look good.

"There's a certain extent to looking good," Somboon said. "Fine, you should be presentable. But you have to take that out of

your mind. We're not stereotyping anybody here, you know?"

Senior Aashrai Sarin of fraternity Delta Tau Delta (Delt) said he agrees with Somboon when it comes to rushing fraternities.

"I know it can be nerve-wrecking to want to go Greek," Sarin said. "It's hard enough pitching yourself to one prospective fraternity or sorority, but before you rush into things, try looking into one or two, or heaven-forbid, three more. Just make the most of Greek-life before you decide on one."

Sarin said by taking your time with rushing, the opportunity to blunder grows exponentially, but so does your chance to make a good impression on all decision-makers.

"Delt for instance, like many other Greek organizations, does not go for one kind of person," Sarin said. "We have music majors to rugby players, science majors to art ones. We want someone with

good qualities, someone who can be a benefit to the house, whether it's academically or athletically. That's not asking for much."

Sophomore Taylor McCleneghan of sorority Delta Gamma said sororities in general look for that simple character that can mesh with the rest of the house.

"We look for good representatives that we'd like to represent our house," McCleneghan said. "It doesn't get easier than that. Unaffiliated girls should come up to us and show interest if they think they're interested."

Senior Carly Eades on the other hand, said her sorority Kappa Alpha Theta (Theta) reaches out to unaffiliated women.

"We love meeting unaffiliated girls who make a genuine effort to get to know us rather than us pursuing them," Eades said. "As much as criteria goes, we tell the girls what we value and what we believe in, and rather than us

interviewing them, we want the girls to show interest in us."

Eades said that as long as the unaffiliated women are comfortable with ones already affiliated, they're a top choice.

"It's not whether we go an extra step to make them feel comfortable," Eades said. "I feel like that the opposite works much better and tells us how they are as women — pursuable or not."

Sarin said fraternities have many opportunities for unaffiliated men to get to know the brothers.

"Delt for instance has rush events where we invite prospective kids and maybe go get some wings, play boom ball and laser tag," Sarin said. "Sometimes it's as easy as joining us for some television in the evenings and playing cards."

Somboon said he has seen a great turnout for Sigma Chi's rush events this year.

"We have great barbecues," Somboon said. "Unaffiliated men

and their friends turn up, we eat and get to know each other. It's a great, easy, fun way to invite guys over to brief them about what the house is really about."

Somboon said unlike many fraternities on campus, Sigma Chi's doors are always open.

"Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays especially," Somboon said. "We're a bunch of guys who like going to watch the Columbus Crew game, going to the arcade at Easton or paint-balling on some weekends. People are most welcome to come and join us."

The turnout is always positive for Theta, according to Eades.

"We put on great rush events that cater to the masses," Eades said. "Last Thursday (9/27) we had a Grey's Anatomy event at the house where unaffiliated women were invited to join the sisters to catch-up and get to know one another. We have events like these all year-round. It's really not that scary to go Greek after all is it?"

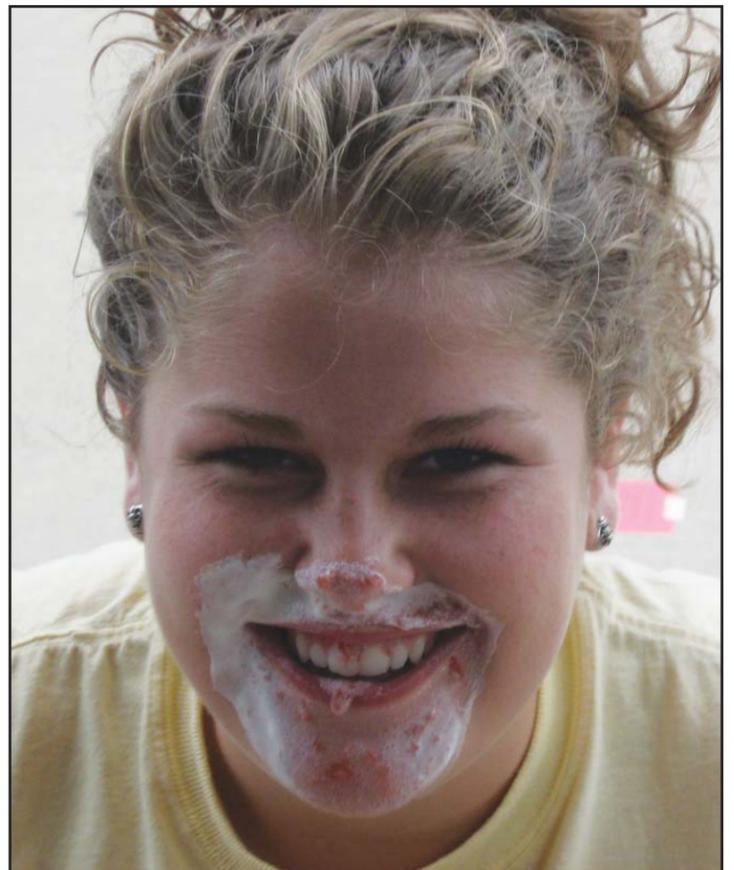

  
**GREEK WEEK 2007:**
  


*Pie eating contest*



Photos by Miranda Simmons

Junior Maureen Cearfoss of Delta Delta Delta (Tri-Delt) competed twice in the Jello-O eating contest Wednesday to keep her Greek Week team in the running. Tri-Delt is paired with Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta and Alpha Kappa Alpha for this week's competition. 'It was an honor to represent my team,' said Cearfoss, who cut her lip, nose and chin on the pie plate foil. 'I walked away a trooper,' she said.



Sophomores Leanna Buccerri (left) and Trevor Hawley (below) took it to the face as they slurped Jell-O for their respective teams. Buccerri is a Delta Gamma, and Hawley represented Chi Phi.



# GODS & GODESSES

## Greek Week dominates noontime JayWalk



Photo by Miranda Simmons

WCSA president, junior Tricia DiFranco, shows her Greek pride as she represents Delta Gamma in the Jell-O eating contest. 'It's fun representing the Greek community by shoving my face in Jell-O,' she said.

Ohio Wesleyan Greek Week is in full swing. "The theme this year is Greek gods and goddesses, and the activities involve all our Pan-Hellenic, IFC and NPHC groups," said Allison Bressler, assistant director of student involvement for Greek Life. Emily Teach '09, a member of Delta Gamma; and Bryce Larson '08, of Phi Delta Theta are this year's co-chairs, and "they've done a great job of getting everything organized," Bressler said.

"There are five different teams," she continued, "and there are quick, fun activities every day on the JAYwalk at noon and more elaborate activities in the early evening on Williams Drive." Points are awarded for each event, and totals will be updated each day on a tote board visible to the entire campus.

Team 1 includes Chi Phi, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Alpha Phi Alpha. Team 2 members are Delta Gamma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Phi Delta Theta. Team 3 consists of Tri Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Chi, and Delta Sigma Theta. Team 4 is Delta Zeta, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and Alpha Kappa Alpha. Team 5 includes Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Sigma Phi and Phi Gamma Delta.

All the activities involve "healthy competition that brings groups together," Bressler said. From water balloon tosses to olive oil relays to a Jell-O eating contest to a dance-off, the week's events promised to be entertaining for everyone. The festivities will culminate on Friday with the announcement of the winners.

"Penny Wars" jugs will be set up in Ham-Wil; the team who collects the most pennies will win them all, and the money will be donated to the philanthropy of the winning team's choice.

Philanthropy is a major—and often overlooked—aspect of Greek life. Most local chapters sponsor at least one activity per year to support a national philanthropic group; fraternities and sororities also are involved in a wide variety of local charitable initiatives. In addition, many Greeks participate in mission trips and other on- and off-campus service projects.

"Greek Week is a way to for fraternities and sororities to have fun and raise the visibility of OWU's Greek groups," Bressler said.

— Gretchen Hirsch, *OWU Connect2*

## Jell-O Tug-of-War



Submitted photos



(Above) Sophomore Theta Annie Edwards takes a spill in the Jell-O pit during Delta Zeta's (DZ) annual Jell-O Tug-of-War. The event supports DZ's philanthropic goals of working with the hearing impaired. (Right) Sophomore DZ Shannon Sedgwick pours Jell-O on Public Safety Officer John Ciochetty.

# Opinion

## Impromptu visit gives confidence in usual OWU shenanigans

Dear OWU,

A few weeks ago, I had so many questions for you. Having been separated from you since May, I was dying to get the scoop on what in the world Fall '07 is all about. I was ready to beg for details: Who are the hot freshmen? Has the new Smith dining hall turned gross yet, or is this whole "good food" thing legit? How is ANYONE surviving without Dan's Deli? Have we finally stifled all rumors that Clancey's is closing? Is the chai tea in the library café still far superior to the chai tea at the bakery? The list of important questions just goes on and on.



But just when I was resigned to the reality that I wouldn't get to see you again until January, and that such questions would have to remain unanswered until then, circumstances unexpectedly allowed for an impromptu 1.5 hour visit last Monday while I was in Ohio. I pulled into the HamWil parking lot and it was as if I had never ever left. I walked into HamWil, crept out Kristina Fitch in Bishop Café, threw a love tantrum with Meg Abram and Katie Donnan by the mail room, surprised Joey Yost at the science center, had multiple JayWalk reunions that involved screaming and excessive photo-taking, and then did the only thing that it makes sense to do when in Delaware on a Monday afternoon: high-tailed it to Old Bag for happy hour. Once there, ridiculousness with Meredith Brown and Meg Flood ensued, followed by a less than impressive series of deadpan photographs (with no help from Andrew Au). Delicious mini-Gaylord burgers were ordered, Long-Islands were consumed and, of course, the ultimate in awkward situations came to pass, which is nothing short of ideal.

Here's the point: I no longer need to ask you my list of unnecessarily specific and trivial questions. I'm looking forward to meeting freshmen for myself, being a fat kid at Smith without shame, attempting to recreate Dan's Deli hot dogs in the Alpha Sig kitchen (and failing, no doubt), confirming the glory of Clancey's ASAP in January and doing chai tea taste tests. But in the meantime, I'm not worried. An hour on campus and one thing is clear — all is how it should be. And maybe O-Chem is still stressing everyone out, the football team still isn't winning games, our dorms are still out-of-date and Public Safety is still busting parties. But you're still having fun, OWU. You're making me proud. And at the end of a whirlwind, emotional trip, there's nothing that could have reassured me or revived me more than a little taste of why I call you home.

Can't wait until next time.

Love,  
Amanda

## Off-campus food points could help local restaurants survive

Avesta's restaurant is slowly but surely coming to an end. Although the owner of the same name has managed to get two separate extensions on the closing date, it's only a matter of time before our days of enjoying the restaurant's macaroni and cheese and harissa chicken come are finished.



There have been rumors swirling about the reason behind Avesta's closing. The place was always doing good business and the news of its closing came as a shock. It's been widely speculated that the reason had to do with Avesta's landlord, who suddenly doubled the rent in an attempt to drive Avesta out. An Italian restaurant also appears to be the replacement for this establishment.

Regardless of the reason, the Ohio Wesleyan community can be assured that Avesta will continue to do just fine. A good businesswoman will always be successful, regardless of the circumstances. She is considering buying out Amato's restaurant or looking to move Avesta's to a different location in Delaware.

When I came here as a freshman, the only three restaurants in downtown Delaware were Avesta's, The Brown Jug and Buns. In the four years since then, a wealth of restaurants and shops opened including Hot Potato, Amato's and Nova.

The circumstances behind Avesta's closing not only represent an unfortunate trend for businesses in this area, but also for Ohio Wesleyan students. None of them can seem to stay open. In a stretch of 12 months, both Rudy Z's and Gaylord's closed. Nova seems to be dying a slow and

painful death as the place always looks empty whenever I walk by it.

Most students also remember the bizarre circumstances behind the closing of Hot Potato: the owner literally vanished in the middle of the night (without paying her workers for the week) and fled to Hawaii. Dan's Deli was ordered to take its business elsewhere this summer, and there are rumors that Clancey's is nearing the end of its run.

One of the big factors that could reverse this trend is the use of off-campus food points. The 100 off-campus food points (roughly \$75) that we can use is simply not enough. Like many college towns, restaurants in this area are largely dependent on student business. Most of us can't afford to go out to eat regularly and we're not a big enough campus where a small percentage of student patronage is all restaurants need to stay afloat.

I strongly urge WCSA to consider at least doubling the amount of off-campus food points that we currently have. Doing so would be a win-win situation. It would not only satisfy current students, but also immensely help out local businesses through our patronage, ultimately benefiting the Delaware community as a whole.

### Girls and Sports



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## Girls Fight Back looks to go global

By Samantha Beany  
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As I prepared to conduct the Girls Fight Back interview with organization founder Erin Weed, I only had one worry, time zones. After two days of playing phone tag, I finally had a day and a time, but on Thursday morning, as 11 a.m. approached, I had a sudden revelation. Denver, Colo., and Columbus are not in the same time zone. In fact, there is a three-hour difference. I didn't panic -- you don't have time to panic in three minutes -- and decided that if the time was wrong, she just wouldn't pick up. Or maybe 8 a.m. was a better time than 11. At 11, I made the call.

Weed chuckled when I told her my story and asked if the time was O.K. She said that she shared my time zone. Crisis averted, I started the interview.

In 2001 the death of Shannon McNamara inspired friend Erin Weed to start the Girls Fight Back program. McNamara was murdered in her Illinois apartment, and because she fought against her killer, physical evidence allowed police to find and convict him. He currently awaits execution. Girls Fight Back was Weed's way to cope with the loss of her friend, and now it is her passion.

Girls Fight Back is "an empowering and motivational personal safety program for women of all ages." It consists of "simple techniques instead of complicated moves" most of which Weed learned after her friend's death.

When McNamara died, Weed was living in New York and succeeding at her life-long dream of being a television producer. "After Shannon's death I saw my friends, strong women, afraid of taking showers in their apartments alone," said Weed. To battle her own fears she decided to learn self defense and attended a series of seminars and training camps. "It was my way to cope," she said.

Put in that context, being afraid to take showers alone struck a chord with me. A shower is such an everyday activity. You get up, you take a shower, and the day goes forward. Most people don't even consider the shower. I sat at my desk, typing the words, and it was only when I read them again that the magnitude of this action hit me. Weed was miles away, and she was afraid. The police caught the man, and McNamara's friends were still afraid.

McNamara's death and the certifications Weed received in self-defense led her to the conclusion that all women needed to share her knowledge.

Today, six years later, the Girls Fight Back organization is based in Denver, Colo., and reaches the 48 contiguous. The program's next goal is to go international. Weed has never traveled outside of the United States; "the times just haven't been right," she said, but Girls Fight Back is the "largest resource for women's education and safety on the internet."

Weed said, "You don't have to go to other counties to reach other counties." Another goal for the future of Girls Fight Back is to localize it. Weed plans to hire more people so the program can exist where she isn't. This phase starts with a volunteer "Street Team" whose goal is to organize and publicize public seminars.

Weed said the website often gets e-mails from girls in war zones asking how they can protect themselves. I was amazed. It was probably reflected in my voice, because I know I stuttered in my next question about how she handled an e-mail like that. Weed tells them "that everyone is concerned about their safety." She said, "Whatever your resource you need to find a way to defend yourself."

It is true. Whether in a war zone or not, you are the best resource for your safety and you need to find a way to defend yourself.

Starting in November, Weed is hosting a radio talk show named "Women on Top," a name of which she is proud. It is regional from Denver and streams online at AM760.net from 4 to 5 p.m. Eastern time.

Weed is also producing a series of DVDs with her husband (also her business partner), so people can check out the program when she is not in their area.

She said, "Things have come full circle" because she started out as a producer and now she is back to it, just with a different focus. In a sense, she is living two dreams.

Weed said to get involved "join the street team or attended the program." Information on both can be found at the Girls Fight Back website [www.girlsfightback.org](http://www.girlsfightback.org).

Weed spoke at OWU on Aug. 30 to about 200 attendees and plans to return to the Columbus area in the spring.

I laid my phone aside. The conversation only took 15 minutes, but during that time I learned the six-year history of a program dedicated to letting women (and men because the program welcomes men, too) live without fear. Weed said she believes self defense "can free us from making choices out of fear," and she stimulates that with Girls Fight Back.



## Gypsy minority ostracized in supposedly liberal Europe

They come from the destitute corners of Eastern Europe. They risk everything when there is nothing to lose. They share a spirit of unity and uniformity. They speak a different language and are connected by traditions that seem remote through European eyes.

And yet, they are part of the old continent, a vivid fraction of its diversity spread around Western life. Despite a strong sense of culture, they are mute in front of the European community with low prospective of having their voices heard. Along with the definition of being a transnational minority, often sharp adjectives such as "thieves" or "beggars" are used to describe them.

Gluing together all the scattered pieces, an indubitable community perfectly matches the puzzle: the Romas.

Yes, it is the gypsy minority that bears the heavy label of "unwanted community," and it is severely put under the spotlight by the fiercely nationalistic states of Europe.

Why so much hatred and discrimination converging towards a long-standing minority? The reasons open a new chapter on an intransigent and closed Europe that rejects the bare ideas of change, acceptance and assistance.

As Europe's cringes from its responsibility, Romania and Bulgaria represent the point of departures for most Romas in their search for better standards of living.

A more prosperous horizon doesn't stand as the only driver for their decision to step on Western grounds. Internally, they are ostracized given the



high crime rate attributed to them and the threat they transmit to bystanders. Discarding the misdeeds present in any community, the Romas confront a daily repulsion from ordinary citizens as a result of uncouthly appearance and the deformed image ingrained in society's mentality. H

owever, once they exit the borders of Eastern Europe the passports possessed do not erase their distinct features associated with a low ranking in Western eyes.

A similar treatment applied from the more conservative East is transferred to the supposedly liberal West, whose arms are tightly closed to the new comers. Indeed, the longed for "abroad" deserves an ovation for increased diversity, higher quality of life and equality among its members. When applied to topic of this particular minority, it becomes, however, a naive illusion.

On one side, the West embarked on a drastic process of expelling an increasing number of Romas, a stance recently adopted by the Irish authority, while on the other side the Eastern European countries complement this attitude by isolating and blaming the minority for the pernicious image they convey outside their territory.

With the doors slammed in the face from all fronts, the sole solution is survival whether that translates in positive or negative

terms. Who is to blame? What can be done to lift the status?

For once the attitude of the two distinct European blocs, the East and the West, met at the common denominator: their arrogance towards the treatment of the Roma minority.

The image prevalent in Romania paralleled the one built in the UK or Italy. And it did not leave any minuscule room for other pictures beyond those of beggars in front of the European cathedrals, pick-pockets in the Western capitals or children asking for change or cleaning car windows at the bus stops. However, no one dared to stop judging and hear the desperate voice hiding behind such extreme acts.

It was a recent event in Italy that ended with the killing of Romachildren as a violent protest against the growing community outside Milan to finally draw the attention towards the conditions of Roma lives.

But this is just a start that needs to develop wings. A simple EU requirement for social integration in education and programs has no weight when the numbers involved are insignificant.

Similar is the approval of housing provided to the low income families that belong to this minority. It is more about integrating and accepting different people, a hard lesson Europe seems unwilling to consider.

Nothing will change until Europe stops differentiating among individuals. To the patient reader, I leave an open question: When will Europe become a true continental home for all its citizens?

# House of Hope aspires to gain SLU status

By Trent VanHaitsma  
Transcript Correspondent

The House of Hope, while not a Small Living Unit yet, is in the process of becoming a SLU.

Last semester the House of Empowerment fell through, leaving the residence on 81 Oak Hill vacant. With a hole to fill, Residential Life asked junior Melanie Brenneman, house moderator and resident assistant in Hayes, to find a group of young women to fill the house.

"ResLife needed to fill the house because they can not have an empty house on campus, so I asked around Hayes and found 10 girls," Brenneman said. "We are not technically a SLU because we were unable to go through the application process, because of the late notice we received when the previous house fell through; however, we are making a proposal to become a SLU."

There is no charter and no mission for the house. The house members agree it is more like a fourth floor to Hayes, since they all lived there last year.

"We all wanted to live near or with each other since we are all friends, but the room selection

would have separated us," sophomore Helen Gerseny said. "So when Melanie asked us, we saw it as a way to stay together."

The house is even participating in some events in which SLUs traditionally partake, even though participation is not required.

"We are going to do Trick-or-Treat Street, and give out candy to little kids on Halloween, as will the other SLU's," said sophomore Kate Kriegel.

Brenneman said some of the girls are writing up a proposal that they will show to ResLife in December in hopes of becoming a SLU.

If this SLU is approved by ResLife, the house will begin its search for new members in the spring before dormitory selection and off-campus housing begins.

"New members will be allowed to move in next fall, but if for some reason someone decides to move out of the house this year, they will be allowed to move in this spring," said Brenneman.

"As of now the house doesn't have a name, but it still shares some of the same characteristics of other SLU's, such as the sense of community," sophomore Kayla Mravec said.

## Global Village hot for salsa

Global Village Collection, 37 N. Sandusky St., will commemorate its 15th anniversary with a community celebration and fundraiser from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Oct. 20 at Ohio Wesleyan University's Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.

Tickets are now available at the store for \$10 per person, or \$12 at the door. Global Village Collection is a volunteer-run store that sells hand-crafted items made by artisans in developing countries. As a member of the Fair Trade Federation, Global Village Collection helps to ensure the low-income artisans and farmers receive fair wages for their products. The store is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

A highlight of Global Village Connection's anniversary celebration will be authentic salsa music provided by Son del Caribe. The 11-member band is directed by Puerto Rican native Jaime Morales-Matos. Morales also serves as music director of the Central Ohio Symphony.

"We want to bring the community together to celebrate 15 years of Global Village Collection," said Patricio Plazolles, president of the store's board of directors and program officer for Ohio Wesleyan's Woltemade Center for Economics, Business, and Entrepreneurship. "I hope everybody comes. The music will be fabulous. The celebration is scheduled to end at 11, but if things are bubbling, we may go till

midnight."

Although the event is a celebration, it will have a serious side, too, Plazolles said. The event will serve as a fundraiser to aid victims of the Aug. 15 Peru earthquake.

Plazolles, who grew up just hours from the hardest-hit communities, said the 8.0 magnitude temblor was devastating to the South American country.

Published reports state that more than 540 people were killed and more than 1,800 injured. Families were left without food, shelter, and drinkable water, Plazolles said.

"I can't imagine their struggle," he said. "I can't imagine a more difficult situation."

Portions of the sales of Global Village Collection merchandise and proceeds from a silent auction held during the Oct. 20 event will benefit the earthquake victims. Included in the auction will be special gift baskets created with the many coffees, teas, chutneys, jellies, and other organic, fair trade consumables sold at the store.

In addition, Plazolles and Global Village Collection have established a Peru Earthquake Relief Fund. Contributions may be made during the community event or dropped off at the store. Checks should be made out to Global Village Collection with "Peru Earthquake Relief" written in the memo line. All contributors will receive letters verifying their gifts, which are tax-deductible, Plazolles said.

## Walking for a cure



Photo by Emily Rose

Saturday several OWU students drove to Ohio State to participate in Light the Night 2007, a mile walk and rally to benefit The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Junior Alex Custer worked with the society and has been organizing the trip since last spring. "My uncle died from non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and this is my way of honoring his life. I hope to stay involved with the society for a long time," Custer said. The rally included a memorial service, recognition of survivors, donation drives and a mile-long walk as a show of solidarity for those who have been affected by these devastating diseases. Since its inception in 1949, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society has raised over half a billion dollars for research specifically targeting liquid cancers, education and patient services. For more information, visit [www.leukemia-lymphoma.org](http://www.leukemia-lymphoma.org).

## Going back in time

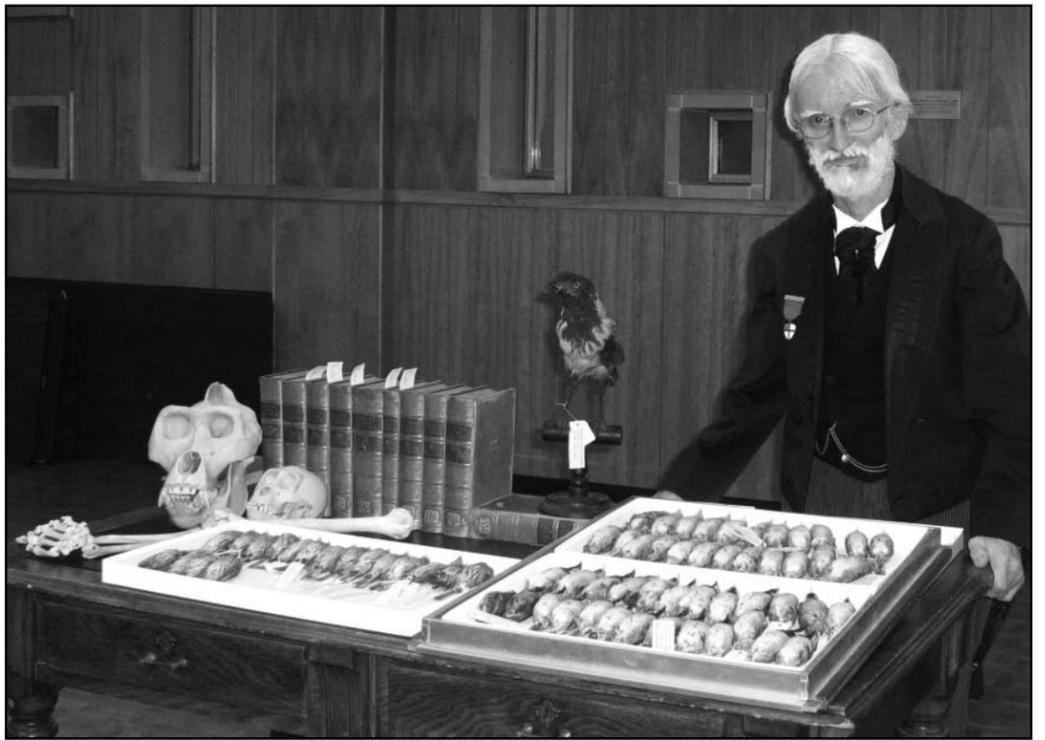


Photo by Miranda Simmons

Professor of Ornathology Jed Burt dresses up as Sir Charles Lyell Thursday for his Genes, Evolution and Society (Zoo 102) class. The presentation was designed to give students a look into the proceedings of the Linnaean Society of London where Lyell presented the works of Charles Darwin and Alfred Russell Wallace. Burt said he got his costume from the theatre department and the props from the special collections of Beeghly Library and the university zoology museum.



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# Bishops Sports

## Jean leads men's basketball with size, skill

By Alex Humbert  
Correspondent

The Bishops men's basketball team has a lot to look forward to this season, returning 12 players, including six seniors, one of which is senior Jesse Jean.

Jean, who was named honorable mention all-conference last season, averaging 10 points and 5.5 rebounds, said he originally came here to play both football and basketball but said that basketball has always been his best sport.

"For basketball, in high school I excelled because our team was able to win big games, and I was a big part of our success," Jean said.

"With our football team we

were so bad because we did not have scholarship players like the other schools we played. Our basketball team was very good, and we received a lot of national recognition."

Jean, who lives in Washington D.C., attended the Hyde School in Woodstock, Conn., and said he found OWU through his college counselor his senior year, but originally did not like it.

"After my first visit, I did not want to come here so I came back for a second visit and found it to be O.K.," Jean said. "I like OWU now, and for the most part I like the size of it and the diversity on campus. Sometimes the thing I dislike the most about OWU is the high school drama that will engulf you if you allow it to."

Senior Brian Cafarella, another returning senior on the basketball team, said Jean's large size (Jean is 6'5" and 230 pounds) along with his joking and friendly personality makes him sort of the "Big Man on Campus."

"Everyone seems to know him not only because he is such a good basketball player, but also because he is real nice guy and fun to be around," Cafarella said. "He's always joking with me, telling me to stay out of the paint because he's in there, so there is



Jean

no way I will score, and I usually don't."

Jean may be the big man on this campus, but he said back home he is the youngest of six siblings.

"I come from a big family, I have three brothers and two sisters; I'm the youngest of the bunch," Jean said. "All of my siblings are off doing their own things in life."

On the court, Cafarella said Jean's biggest strengths go beyond just his athletic ability.

"Jesse is viewed as a leader and an important player because of everything he can do for the team," Cafarella said.

"He has the ability to take over a game with his size, skill and athletic ability. He can score with

his back to the basket or facing up and he is a great rebounder with a good touch around the rim. Jesse also controls the paint with his shot blocking ability on defense."

Jean said he is looking forward to the upcoming season and being a senior leader.

"Being a senior leader on the team is a great thing, and being a senior in college is also a great thing, but with it comes the responsibility of knowing what's expected of you," Jean said.

"On the court, the team goes as far as the seniors take it, and with our great depth this year along with some good incoming freshmen, we can wear teams down. As long as we stay hungry and healthy, this will be a great season."

## Bishops fall to Lords' wild fury, putting end to undefeated streak

By Greg Stull  
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Breaking Ohio Wesleyan's 28-game undefeated streak in the NCAC, Kenyon beat the Bishops on a goal from Miguel Barrera after 73 minutes of scoreless, back-and-forth momentum at Roy Rike Field on Tuesday night.

The loss puts Ohio Wesleyan at 2-1 in the NCAC. Kenyon, the NCAC's highest-scoring team this season, is 3-0 in the conference.

The first half started with early attacks from the Lords. In the first minute Barrera hit a low shot from the left side, but senior keeper Jamison Dague made the save.

Then in the 2nd minute, Nate Pritchard, in the middle of the box, collected a cross from the left side and, after fumbling with the ball, slid a shot wide right.

The Lords kept pressure on the Bishop's defense by spreading the field, attacking the flanks and sending dangerous crosses in front of the Bishop's net. But the Lords were unable to convert on any of their attempts.

A scoring opportunity for the Bishops came in the 38th minute when junior defender T.J. Trigg hit a hard shot toward the right side of the net off a 35-yard direct kick, but the Lords' keeper Jamie White made the save with a smothering catch.

The Lords dominated the first half, outshooting the Bishops 7-4, but the Bishops turned around the momentum in the second, outshooting the Lords 6-2.

"We had the better of the game in the second half," coach Jay Martin said.

But despite control by the Bishops in the second half, the Lords managed to capitalize on one of their few chances and take the lead in the 74th minute. Barrera, in middle, received a pass from Pritchard on the right side, took a touch toward goal and then placed a hard shot out of Dague's reach in the upper right corner of the net.

The Bishops almost countered less than a minute later, when freshman defender Eric Laipple connected with a curling cross lofted from the right side, but

White tapped Laipple's header over the crossbar.

Following several failed opportunities, the Bishop's last chance for an equalizer came in the final minute, when senior midfielder Nick Skoczen collected a long ball on the right side of the box, cut back on a defender and hit a left-footed shot.

The ball sailed wide of the far post and the Bishops remained scoreless.

"I knew we'd struggle—we started five freshmen," Martin said. "It was a psyche thing," Martin said, commenting on Kenyon's style of play. "They were chippy, they were dirty and we didn't get the refs' help."

After difficulty in the first half, Martin said the game turned around in the second.

At halftime, "I literally just said, 'We need to find ten guys who want to play.' And I think we played a lot better in the second half."

The Bishops outshot the Lords overall 10-9. Dague made 2 saves for the Bishops and White made 5 saves for the Lords.



Photo by Greg Stull

Freshman Tyler Bryant, Chillicothe/Unioto, looks to beat a Kenyon defender during Tuesday night's game.

## Women's lacrosse captain plays despite fractured bone

By Brian Test  
Correspondent

Senior Lura Allen is a two-time captain for the women's lacrosse team and has been playing with a fractured bone in her left foot since sophomore year.

Senior Julia Fouts said, "Allen knows what it means being a team player and what playing hurt is all about."

Allen has been playing lacrosse since the sixth grade in her hometown of Hingham, Mass. She was a four-year varsity

midfielder at Thayer Academy before transferring to Hingham High School her junior year.

Allen said she is a hard worker and a smart player.

"I try my hardest to be a playmaker," said Allen. "I take pride in having solid fundamentals, but I like to be flashy offensively."

In 2005, as a freshman, Allen switched to defense, helping OWU make the NCAA tournament for the first time ever.

"I am a very tenacious player and love the competitiveness of

lacrosse," Allen said. "Being a two-year captain has made me appreciate playing a lot more and makes me want to work harder than everyone else to show I deserve it."

In her three years of play Allen has been a two-time team MVP, two-time All-NCAC Tournament team, three-time All-NCAC player, and three-time All-Region player.

Senior Polly Burke said Allen has been a big contributor to the team. "We have had a lot of issues that came up, and she has stepped

up drastically," Burke said. "She's put the team as her top priority because she knows how much talent we have."

Fouts said since Allen became captain, training and workouts have gotten tougher and better for competition.

"The commitment and talent she brings is amazing and helps motivate us," Fouts said.

Allen said she wants to be remembered as a leader and hard worker. "I hope the players on the team follow my dedication and motivation to become better all-

around players after I graduate."

"Allen wants every drill in practice to be like a game situation," Burke said. "She puts all her effort and energy into every game, playing her heart out to get our team to the next level."

Fouts said Allen is very determined and goal oriented, making her the best leader on the team on and off the field.

"She has held off on foot surgery until after college so she can finish playing her career with the seniors, and it means a lot," Fouts said.



# Bishops Sports

## Not the Lords' day in Gambier

By **Danny Eldredge**  
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The Bishops rushed for 401 yards in a 35-27 win over Kenyon in Gambier on Saturday.

Junior running back Kyle Adams led the team with 137 yards and two touchdowns, and sophomore running back Stephen Brown also eclipsed the century mark, rushing for 102 yards and two touchdowns. Freshman quarterback Mike Fisher ran for 91 yards, and freshman slot back Greg Orr added 57 yards and a touchdown.

Head Coach Mike Hollway said he was very pleased with the performance of his backs. "The backs ran extremely hard," Hollway said. "We did some good things schematically, but they all played strong, broke tackles and created plays for themselves."

Adams said the offense performed well together, and that he was able to take advantage of the opportunities given to him.

"The offensive line blocked great, and the backs blocked great for each other," Adams said. "It was a complete team effort."

The offense dramatically improved its performance in the red zone this week, scoring on five out of six chances.

"In practice we made a conscious effort to improve our red zone offense," Fisher said. "When we got down to the goal line, we stuck to what got us down there and gave our athletes a chance to make plays."

The Lords struck first on their opening possession, going up 7-0 after a one-yard touchdown run by running back Javier Arbolaez. The Bishops tied it up on the ensuing drive, with Orr finishing off the 63 yard drive with an 11-yard dash into the end zone.

The Bishops defense did not

allow the Lords to get past the Ohio Wesleyan 40 yard line for the rest of the half, with one exception in the closing seconds. The score remained 7-7 going into half time.

Hollway said his defense played patiently. "Kenyon has led the league in all kinds of offensive categories, and has big-gain potential," Hollway said.

The Bishops took the lead 14-7 on the first possession of the third quarter, with a 16-yard touchdown run by Adams. After the Bishops stopped Kenyon's offense, Adams scored another touchdown to make it 21-7.

Kenyon scored on their next drive to come within 7 points, but Brown answered with a four-yard touchdown after a 60-yard run by Adams put the Bishops inside the 5 yard line. The score remained 27-14 after the failed extra point.

Kenyon had the last score of the third quarter to make it 27-21 going into the fourth.

The Bishops scored on the first drive of the fourth quarter, with Brown scampering into the end zone from 11 yards out. Kenyon was called for unsportsmanlike conduct after the touchdown, so the Bishops went for the two-point conversion, and converted to make it 35-21.

The Bishops stopped the Kenyon offense on their next two possessions, but Kenyon scored with 50 seconds left to make it 35-27, which was the final score.

Hollway said this win was important for the team. "We had some concerns about execution, and I feel like we remedied them," Hollway said.

Brown said they can continue their success if they keep playing hard. "We can keep doing what we are doing. [If we] play hard for 60 minutes, we will come out on top. Nobody can handle us if we play hard for 60 minutes," Brown said.

## Looking to pass



Photos by Danny Eldredge

ABOVE: Freshman Melissa Martin looks to advance the ball up the field at Selby on Saturday. Kenyon's Joy Leamon scored with 6:18 to go in the game to give the Lords a 1-0 win. The Bishops Ladies also lost 1-0 to Oberlin on Tuesday. BELOW: Freshman Lilly Jianas and senior Jenna Narwicz pursue a Kenyon player.

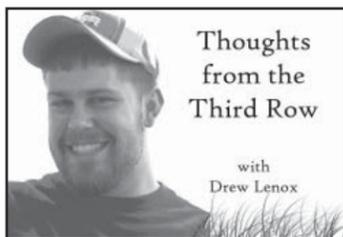


## Columnist provides insight into divisional round games

After the monumental collapse of the New York Mets and the Colorado Rockies beat the San Diego Padres in the 13<sup>th</sup> inning of the 163<sup>rd</sup> game of the season, the playoff field is set.

My job as your favorite *Transcript* sports columnist is to try and provide some insight as to what we might see from the games in the divisional round.

In one match up, we will see the Boston Red Sox vs. the Los Angeles Angels. Could the Angels win the pennant? Hey, it could happen. But in facing the Boston's tough starting pitchers in Beckett, Matsuzaka and Schilling, the Angels will need a little more than Christopher Lloyd and Danny Glover. They



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hit the ball well, but I don't think they can keep up with the Red Sox sluggers like Manny Ramirez and David Ortiz.

Also, given that Los Angeles has struggled in Fenway Park, the Red Sox will win this series.

In another series the team with the best record in the National League, the Arizona Diamondbacks will host the team that won the worst division in

baseball, the Chicago Cubs.

A few weeks ago we looked at the destiny factor for the Cubs, but it is safe to say if there is any destiny out there, Colorado has taken that spot.

The D-Backs are young, and it has been shown through their 106 errors this season. I'm not too sure how tough the Cubs are, but they have more hits, runs and RBIs than Arizona.

They also have a better batting average, 54 more doubles and Alfonso Soriano has been on fire lately. The Cubs will pull the upset.

Next comes the battle between two teams who nobody thought would even make the playoffs two weeks ago. It is the Philadelphia

Phillies taking on the Colorado Rockies.

Philadelphia has won seven of its last 10 but that is nothing compared to the 14 out of fifteen Colorado has won. This includes the tiebreaker game Monday.

The pitching is a toss up, but I know any pitchers could struggle against NL MVP candidates Jimmy Rollins and Matt Holliday. The Phillies lead the NL playoff teams in home runs, triples and RBIs. The Rockies lead the NL playoff teams in hits, batting average and fewest errors.

In addition, Colorado is 21-17 against all playoff teams, while Philly is 9-14. With all of this and the momentum factor, I don't know if anyone will be betting

against the Rockies. I know Trevor Hoffman won't be.

In the last match up it saddens me to say I think the New York Yankees will beat the Cleveland Indians. In the six games they have played this year, New York has won all of them. The Yankees lead the majors in runs, hits, home runs, RBIs and batting average. The Indians, on the other hand, get to play three games in Cleveland.

New York has the best record against playoff teams (22-17) and Cleveland has the worst (9-17).

So, I will pick the Yankees but I truly hope the stud pitching of C.C. Sabathia and Fausto Carmona will lead my beloved Indians to victory. Go Tribe!