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Ohio Wesleyan President Rock Jones presents the first-place trophy for the Signature Series Aged Pace Final to Jeff Nisonger, the driver of the winning horse, Sheer Sahbra, last Thursday as a part of the Little Brown Jug. The race, with a purse of \$5,000, was sponsored by Ohio Wesleyan. "The opportunity to be a sponsor of one of the races offers a nice connection with the community," Jones said. See page 7 for a full story and more photos of the Jug.

Student voters face registration problems

By Shade Fakunle
Transcript Reporter

As the Oct. 6 deadline for voter registration nears, students who have registered through the College Democrats may not make it to the ballot.

Since the first week of classes, College Dems have been working to register OWU students to vote. According to sophomore Bridget Fahey, a member of College Dems, about 200 students on campus have been registered through the College Dems. However, a problem has arisen as many registration forms are not being processed by the state.

"The [Delaware County] Board of Elections is very specific about how students register to vote," said Fahey.

"If [there are] any inaccuracies [on the form], the Board of Elections will not accept [it]," she continued. "There have been a lot of students

who mess up and the only way they know is when they don't get their registration card."

According to Fahey, one common problem with the inaccuracy of the registration forms is in the address window. For students, residence and mailing address must be filled in. Those who live in a dorm must provide the actual address of that dorm as well as their HWCC Box numbers. Another problem Fahey pointed out was that many students mistake the word county for country. So instead of filling in Delaware County, they mistakenly put USA.

Fahey said there is a battle with the Board of Elections because [College Dems] wants them to be more supportive of the students. "The loss of 200 votes in Delaware County could influence who is president," she said.

Deputy Director of the

Delaware County Board of Elections Brian Mumford said that students will receive a phone call when a mistake is found on a registration form. "We have so many registrations; [there are] piles of them," he said.

"The biggest concern is that out-of-state students don't have the papers to vote in Delaware County. So they need to vote absentee," he said.

When voting absentee, just the last four digits of a

"We want to make sure that everybody and anybody who is interested can vote," Deputy Director of the Delaware County Board of Elections Brian Mumford said.

According to Mumford, the deadline gives the Board of Elections enough time to go through all of the forms it receives and check for mistakes.

Though he did not know much about the College Dems' registration of OWU students, Mumford stressed that the forms must be filled out completely.

social security number are needed.

Mumford provided a document for current students about the necessary identification needed to vote in Delaware County, as well as absentee.

According to the document, on election day, "You must show valid ID before you will be permitted to vote

at your polling location."

Acceptable forms of ID include: a current and valid Ohio Driver's license, a current and valid photo identification card issued by the State of Ohio or the United States government, or a military ID.

Students also have the option of presenting something that states their school address. This can be a current utility bill, a current bank statement, a current paycheck, a current government check or any other current government document.

The document also states that absentee voting begins Sept. 30. Applications by mail for absentee ballots must be received by the Delaware County Board of Election by noon on Nov. 1. The letter also states that absentee ballots may be voted in person at the Delaware County Board of Elections' office

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Change pervades WCSA

By Mike DiBiasio
Lead Reporter

Like the current presidential campaigns, "change" was the theme of WCSA's Town Hall Meeting held Thursday night, Sept. 18.

WCSA's Executive Board and class representatives spoke at length about upcoming organizational changes and the body's goals for the '08-'09 academic year, which differ greatly from the proposed changes and goals of WCSA in recent years.

The election process has undergone the most significant change to date. Full-body elections, which used to be held in September, will now be held in November along with elections for executive members and class representatives. Consequently, all WCSA terms will last a calendar year, not an academic year.

WCSA President Rory McHale told attendants of Thursday's meeting that these changes were implemented to increase the accountability, efficiency and transparency of their student government and eliminate "organizational hassles."

"Students elected in the spring, that may or may not be familiar with each other, waste away the summer with little or hazy communication and are forced into an orientation of sorts when the school year begins," McHale said.

"While it still may take some time for this WCSA to orient itself at the beginning of the spring semester, the time which is somewhat wasted is now less than a month – winter break – rather than three months – summer break."

Additionally, McHale noted that geographical representatives were originally included in WCSA's full-body to represent the substantive differences of students living in each dorm. However, it is now the opinion of WCSA that geographical representatives – not including fraternities, SLUs or off-campus representatives – have become arbitrary distinctions.

"These once noteworthy distinctions have become mere arbitrary lines drawn by admissions officials, and without meaning," McHale said.

In recent years, several dorms have consistently had a large number of candidates for geographical representatives while other dorms couldn't fill the quota.

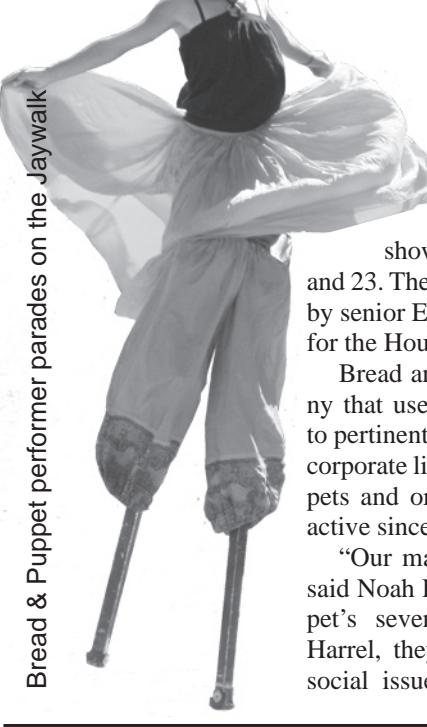
"Why should WCSA restrict enthusiastic participants through tight, competitive elections, while forcing other lethargic, unenergetic students to join merely on the basis of an arbitrary residence assignment?" questioned McHale.

"We have not made any changes yet, but tentatively I am hoping that the number of class representatives will be greatly expanded to make up for the lack of geographical representatives which have traditionally composed the majority of the WCSA full-body."

These changes and their specific details will be determined during a constitutional convention on Oct. 5, when WCSA, along with several Politics & Government professors, will formalize the decisions.

President Rock Jones has met several times with McHale and WCSA Vice-President Ben Goodrum con-

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By Jack Stenger
Lead Paginator

With a flourish of cheap art, music, humor and drama, Bread and Puppet Theater performed two shows for the campus on Sept. 22 and 23. The group was brought to campus by senior Erin Dezell as a house program for the House of Peace and Justice.

Bread and Puppet is a theater company that uses creativity to draw attention to pertinent social issues. Their shows incorporate live music, homemade art, puppets and original skits. They have been active since the 1960s.

"Our main goal is to start dialogue," said Noah Harrel, one of Bread and Puppet's seven performers. According to Harrel, they try bring up the important social issues in a completely non-con-

frontational way.

Because the theater expresses itself in diverse ways, each performer has his or her specific strengths. The final products are an amalgamation of each performer's personalities.

"It's a way to do theater while fully endorsing my beliefs and convictions," Harrel said.

Bread and Puppet Theater is currently on a three-week tour. At other schools they've visited, they were invited by the administration and students were required to attend.

"Here, it is really refreshing to be invited by students. They have taken the initiative. It's inspiring," Harrel said.

For two nights the House of Peace and Justice hosted Bread and Puppet. They provided meals, sleeping quarters and entertainment for the group.

"It's neat to meet people you admire

and see perform and interact with them on a more tangible level. They're real people like us and it makes you feel that you can do what they're doing," Dezell said. "Damn, I could be a puppeteer in a company someday."

Their performance style is reflective of their views on social change

"Things in public, things on the street do more than closed meetings," Harrel said. "Private art showings are kind of self-serving and in closed circles."

This philosophy was apparent in the mini-parade Bread and Puppet conducted on the Jaywalk to advertise for their Tuesday evening show.

This is the second time Bread and Puppet has visited OWU, the first being in the spring of 2007, under the same circumstances. "It's so great to come back and see the evidence of the last time we were here," Harrel said.



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cerning these changes and is excited about a more efficient WCSA, but believes it should be more widely discussed.

"It's interesting what they're considering. I think that is a decision that should be made by the students, and I would not want to weigh in on one side or the other. I think it's a great conversation to have, and if they decide that changing the election cycle would help, and that's the will of the students, then that would make sense, but I'd defer to the students," Jones said.

Also at the Town Hall Meeting, Goodrum outlined and fielded questions regarding WCSA's 08-09 goals, which they have presented as projects they hope to initiate in addition to the organizing and project funding that routinely characterizes WCSA.

The goals include raising the standards of accessibility around campus as much as possible, such as more automated doors, changes to restrooms and making the campus accessible to handicapped individuals other than those requiring a wheelchair.

Secondly, WCSA has encouraged a divestment program of OWU's financial associations from a list of companies published by the Sudanese Divestiture Task Force.

This list is composed of companies that warrant scrutiny by investors because of their business operations linked to Sudan. As of Monday, Eric Algoe, vice-president for finance, confirmed that OWU does not have any direct holdings with companies on the watch list.

"This goal is completely understandable when one is confronted with the horrific atrocities taking place in Sudan, and the administration appreciated the compassion and motivation behind WCSA making this a priority," Algoe said.

Running parallel with this year's colloquium is WCSA's goal for a "greener" campus.

The body hopes to convince the city of Delaware to help with recycling on campus, until 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 3.

"We want to make sure that everybody and anybody who is interested can vote," said Mumford.

Both Fahey and Mumford share this standpoint.

"If individual students have concerns [about their registration status], they can call the [Board of Elections] or come in and check if they are registered. They can also email us for more information," said Mumford. He also said that when calling, anyone who answers the phone will have the ability to tell the status of a registration

and advocate for washable or biodegradable dishware in campus cafeterias. Additional efforts are also being perused to offer free STD testing once a week in the Student Health Center.

Jones has been very pleased with these goals.

"I think it's an appropriate agenda that they have set. All of these are issues that are important to the campus, but also, they have a larger social importance and social impact," Jones said.

However, while their goals are in place and the elections are being modified, WCSA executive members are still dealing with an issue that has not changed: student apathy. Thursday's Town Hall meeting drew only a handful of non-WCSA members.

"It's a huge problem," said Adam Koorn, WCSA treasurer. "I would really like to see a higher degree of interest in student government. The issue of apathy is one that needs to be addressed."

WCSA Secretary, Yashika Shah, shared similar sentiments.

"Students should be more forthcoming, and they should tell us what they like and dislike. Also, it is their student activity fee that is being used for the various events on campus. Hence, they should be very active in the programs of WCSA," Shah said.

McHale said he agrees that attendance last Thursday was not optimal, but that he hopes the next Town Hall Meeting – held after the constitutional convention on Oct. 5 – will draw more students, as it will mainly serve as an informational meeting regarding the November elections.

"I have found students generally do not respond unless they are gaining a privilege or losing a right. Hopefully this year's WCSA can create enough privileges and opportunities for students that they will begin to pay attention to their own system of self-governance," McHale said.

"I expect students to take issue with what is happening around them."

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until 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 3.

Fayhe stressed the importance of voting in Ohio. She said that some students worry that their driver's license will be invalid if they register in Delaware County. This is not the case, she said.

The College Dems will not only help with registration, the organization also provide rides to the voting location.

To reach the Delaware County Board of Elections via email, send to boe@co.delaware.oh.us. They can also be reached at (740) 833-2080.

Dance studio suffers minor damage in fire

Photo by Kelsey Guyelman

An electrical short caused a fire above the university's dance studio around 9 a.m. on Tuesday morning. Light damage was done to the studio, according to City of Delaware Fire Chief John Donahue.

Campus not free of discrimination

Rafaya Sufi

Transcript Reporter

One would imagine on a campus like OWU, racism, sexism and discrimination against the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer (GLBTQ) would be minimum.

Not quite, according to sophomore Carlo Biagioni. Biagioni, a native of Italy, said he considers himself a "third-culture kid."

"I've lived all over the world and have traveled to many places," Biagioni said. "Never have I come across such a diverse community living so closely together. It's great, but deeply rooted within it is a fierce sense of resentment."

Biagioni, who first came to United States a few years ago, is one of the 180 international students on campus.

"There have been instances where kids have come up to me and asked, 'If you're white, how come you hang out with so many internationals?' I don't know whether it's ignorance or flat-out racism."

According to Biagioni, when the student body of a campus this diverse fails to acknowledge its diversity and internationalism, it's pretty sad.

"Isn't the point of having a diverse campus solely so local students can interact with international students to learn about cross-cultures?" Biagioni said. "I would think so, but lately quite a few of my friends have been discriminated against for the way they talk or their ability to speak in English."

Sophomore Sayan Ghosal from India, a friend of Biagioni's and a victim of racial slurs, said he was driving on campus one evening a few weeks ago when he accidentally made a wrong turn. In return, Ghosal said, he was racially abused.

"When I made the turn, I immediately realized my mistake," Ghosal said. "But

I wasn't expecting a girl to come out of her car and start shouting at me. She said something along the lines of 'Go back to your f***** country!' I'd rather not say the rest."

Ghosal said he does not blame the girl for being angry as he may have provoked it, but added that he was taken by surprise when she blamed his driving on his nationality.

Biagioni also said he acknowledges many inappropriate words being thrown around commonly for discrimination against the gay and lesbian community on campus.

"The word 'fag' is being thrown around like it's nobody's business," Biagioni said. "It's sad people say stuff like 'That's so gay!' and 'What a fag!' to describe events and other people. I'm not gay myself, but I have the utmost respect for the gay community, just as I accept straight kids, bisexuals etc. It's just sexual orientation. It's the 21st century. Everyone has a right to practice what they best feel implies to them."

Junior Evan Danckwerth from Connecticut said although he has never felt racism's presence on campus, he wishes something could be done about the discrimination against the gay and lesbian community.

"I have a friend who is scared to reveal himself as being gay just because he fears the implications would be unpleasant," Danckwerth said. "No one should have to worry about being who they are. Is our campus really that judgmental?"

Although clubs such PRIDE exist on campus, Danckwerth said many people would probably not show up because school's population is so small, allowing rumors and things alike spread like wildfire.

"Something like a brown-bag series instead, would be helpful in getting the

message across," Danckwerth said.

Terree Stevenson ('95), director of minority student affairs, said she is excited for a new series of speaker events that is entitled STRIDE, an acronym for Standing Together to Reduce Intolerance and Develop Equality.

"Although it is not a club yet, it is a series to begin and spark conversation," Stevenson said. "We will talk about topics of interest, topics of understanding and open and honest dialogue."

Through this series, Stevenson said she hopes to ignite students and faculty alike to find hope and solutions to these problems, and be able to implement solutions to make a positive impact not only on campus but within the community.

"Oppression exists everywhere in different forms," Stevenson said. "It is not just the OWU campus. No place is immune to it. To alleviate oppression, everyone has a story to tell. But these stories work to our advantage because we need them to celebrate the similarities and differences between us."

For instance, Stevenson said, the first meeting of the season will celebrate the Hispanic Heritage Month and talk about related topics and their impact on our community.

"We are talking about things that do and do not directly relate to us," Stevenson said. "In doing this, we are preparing ourselves to enter the real world. In relation to racism and discrimination against the gay and lesbian community on campus, we will create opportunities for dialogues for all to come in and join. Through that is where you learn to appreciate."

Students interested in this new program may join the STRIDE dialogue on the first Tuesday of every month at noon in HWCC Benes Room C beginning Tuesday, Oct. 7.

Corrections

In the Sept. 18 issue of The Transcript, it was reported that all buildings besides Haycock Hall had power and were open by Monday morning, following a severe wind storm over the weekend. However, Sanborn Hall was without power for all of Monday and most of Tuesday. Austin Manor also lost power for a short period of time.

In the article about Greek Life and sorority recruitment, it was reported that Kappa Alpha Theta was founded in 1870 at Monmouth College, and that Kappa Kappa Gamma was founded in 1870 at DePauw University. It is actually the other way around. Kappa Kappa Gamma was founded at Monmouth College and Kappa Alpha Theta was founded at DePauw University.

The Transcript apologizes for the errors.





SAGE heightens epilepsy awareness at OWU

By Rafaya Sufi
Transcript Reporter

Under the bright lights of Welch cafeteria, 27 or so students sit down every other Thursday with their Sharpies and blank pieces of printer paper.

"Do you guys have your facts ready?" one asks. "Yeah. Weird. Didn't know music could induce seizures," another replies.

This organization, headed by freshman Alexis Williams, is a new club on campus called SAGE, the Student Awareness Group for Epilepsy.

Epilepsy is a neurological condition that from time to time produces brief disturbances in the normal electrical functions of the brain, according to the Epilepsy Foundation.

Williams, the only epileptic student in the group, said she did not see any club for disorders on campus, which is why she decided to start one of her own.

"I was diagnosed with epilepsy when I was 13," Williams said. "I was diagnosed right at the start of my teenage years, so epilepsy has impacted my life greatly."

SAGE is not just for students to come together and talk about epilepsy, but also to learn procedures such as things to do if someone around you is experiencing a seizure, according to Williams.

"I have been a counselor at Camp Great Rock in Buckeystown, Md., for many years now," Williams said. "It is a camp for epileptic kids

to come in and live with one another. When I first joined, I immediately felt comfortable because it wasn't a sensitive topic to talk about over there."

Freshman Chris Edwards parliamentarian of the club, is an active member of SAGE.

"I came to college to get more involved and get to know more about things I didn't before," Edwards said. "I joined SAGE because I want to help educate myself to help educate others about epilepsy. Epilepsy is not exactly a subject everyone talks about openly."

Although epilepsy is a commonly known disorder, according to Edwards, people don't know much about it.

"The main aim of this club is to heighten sensitivity to the subject of epilepsy itself," Edwards said. "It isn't something to be scared of or judge. Did you know some of the greatest leaders including Julius Caesar and Joan of Arc were epileptic?"

Even though the club meets only once every two weeks, it has laid out its long term plans, goals and aims already, according to Williams.

"We plan to raise money for Camp Great Rock, which is sponsored by Children's National Medical Center, in the nearer future," Williams said. "We plan to have a bake sale at the end of October which will be our first event."

Other events in the future consist of a speaker series to spark interest around the topic of epilepsy, movie nights and "a bunch of different fun



Photo By Rafaya Sufi

Members of the Student Awareness Group for Epilepsy (SAGE) gather in the Welch Cafeteria to share information about epilepsy. SAGE was started by freshman Alexis Williams.

things."

One of the few upperclassmen part of the club, junior Pooja Goswami also diligently wrote out facts on pieces of paper.

"I'm from India, and in India, epilepsy is sort of taboo to talk about," Goswami said. "I'm not sure whether there are centers for epilepsy in India at all except for maybe

departments in hospitals, but to have this kind of exposure in college is certainly a good way to learn about it."

Williams said although she never felt students on campus judging her at all, the downside of having epilepsy is not being able to party on campus like others do.

"I take medication to help control my seizures," Williams

said. "That medication cannot be mixed with alcohol. I've had a lot of people come up to me and ask why I don't drink. I guess if I could, I would."

Williams passes out different facts that have been decorated with purple and green markers to some students in the group. Some read, "Did you know? Photosensitive epilepsy is more common in children

and adolescents than in adults? Think about it!" Others sheets list "True and False" notions concerning epilepsy.

"At camp there is a saying we live by," Williams said. "It says, 'We are not epileptic. We are just people with epilepsy.'"

SAGE meets every other Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in Welch cafeteria.

Upcoming events focus on ending poverty

The following events are being offered on the OWU campus to build awareness and educate on issues of poverty across the nation and in the world. All events are free and open to students.

12:10-12:40 p.m. Sept. 24 – Communion service focused on poverty. The service will be held in Peale Chapel in Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.

7:30 p.m. Sept. 25 – "Bridges Out of Poverty" lecture by Phil DeVol of Marengo, Ohio. DeVol has been consulting on poverty issues since 1997 and is co-author of "Bridges Out of Poverty: Strategies for Professionals and Communities." He will speak in the Benes Rooms of Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.

9 p.m. Sept. 26 – Debate Watch Party for the first presidential debate between John McCain and Barack Obama. The event will be held in the Benes Rooms of Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.

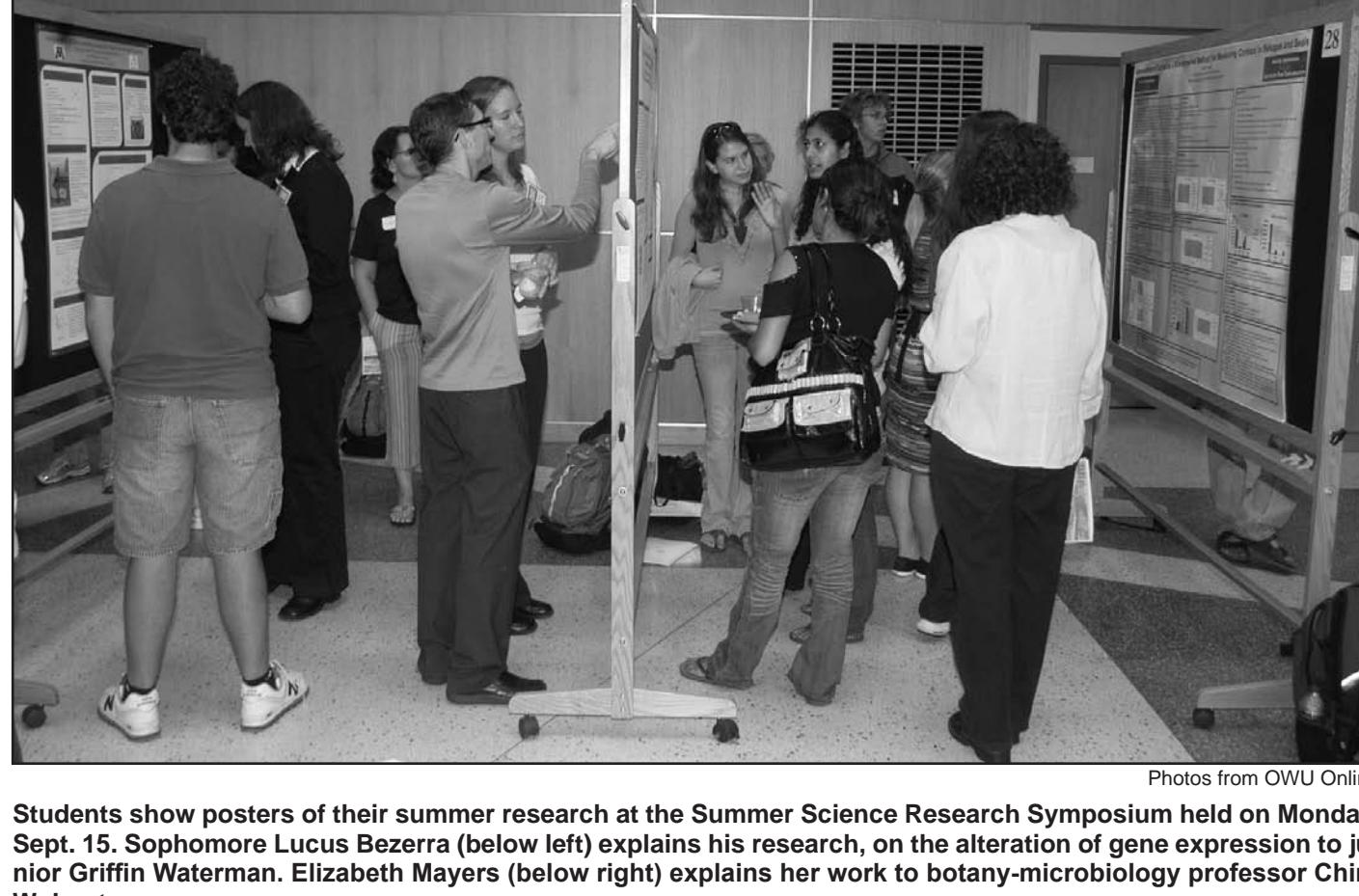
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 27 – Liberation Conference at the Methodist Theological School in Ohio, 3081 Columbus Pike (Route 23). The conference is designed to bring awareness to the realities of human trafficking and the tools and groups available to end it. Cost is \$25 per person and registration is required. For more information or to register, visit the conference website.

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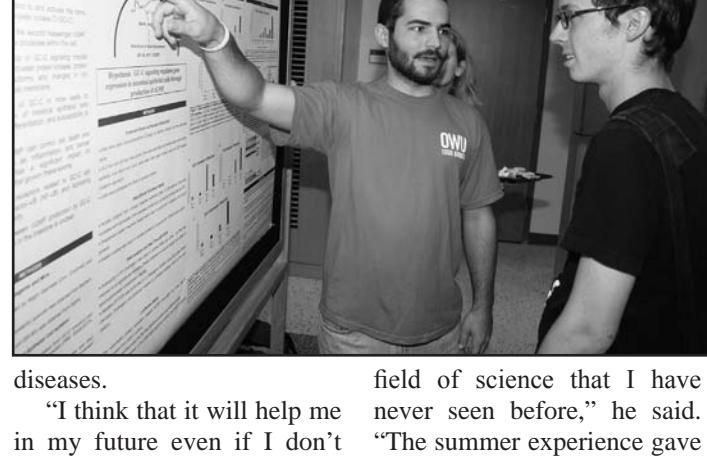
You can also snail mail it to The Transcript, c/o the journalism department, Phillips Hall.

Student research spans from birds to genetics



Photos from OWU Online

Students show posters of their summer research at the Summer Science Research Symposium held on Monday, Sept. 15. Sophomore Lucas Bezerra (below left) explains his research, on the alteration of gene expression to junior Griffin Waterman. Elizabeth Mayers (below right) explains her work to botany-microbiology professor Chirs Wolverton.



diseases.

"I think that it will help me in my future even if I don't end up doing scientific work somewhere," he said.

Junior Kofi Quaye conducted his research at Case Western Reserve University. His project was titled *cMet/Eph Phosphorylation of Small GTPases, their Role in Cancer, and Interactions with Calmodulin*.

"I was exposed to a new

field of science that I have never seen before," he said. "The summer experience gave me a glimpse of what graduate school would be like, if I chose to continue during that path. Although I still plan to go to medical school instead of graduate school, it was still well worth my while," he said.

The Ohio Wesleyan summer research program provides opportunities for students looking to gain valuable lab

experience but also ways to meet and communicate with fellow scientists in varying fields.

"I met a lot of new people who can aid me towards medical school in the future," Quaye said.

The summer research program also provides a stepping stone for several of its participants.

For example, Katie Ayers and Rachel Fleming, who

both participated in the 2007 Summer Research program, are continuing their education at graduate school.

Ayers will attend the medical school at Vanderbilt

while Fleming is beginning her graduate work in microbiology at the University of Miami.

Those interested should visit the Summer Science Research Program website at www.ssrp.owu.edu for more information.





Sorority women take a break from the U.S.



Photo by Mollie Campbell

Junior Mollie Campbell (left) of Kappa Alpha Theta and junior Maggie Meloy of Delta Delta Delta spend an afternoon on the Gold Coast in Australia

Katharine Mannix
Transcript Correspondent

A number of students are currently spending their semester abroad in Australia, France, Italy and several other countries. Many sorority women are among those who have chosen to go abroad this year.

According to academic affairs, there are currently more than 20 programs affiliated with Ohio Wesleyan and other colleges that students can apply to in order to study abroad. Students studying abroad have the opportunity to embrace a new culture -- this includes the language, the people and the surrounding area of the host city.

Trips abroad generally entail going to classes during the week in the host city, and traveling on the weekends.

Junior Mollie Campbell, a member of Kappa Alpha Theta, and junior Maggie Meloy, of Delta Delta Delta, are studying in Queensland, Australia, at Bond University. Bond University, an international school, was the first private university in Australia.

"I'm not just studying with Americans and Australians, I am pretty much connected with the entire world" Meloy said.

"I highly recommend that all students go abroad and see how the other side of the world lives," said junior Mollie Campbell.

Campbell and Meloy have student apartments that are on the university's campus.

"The campus is located just 10 minutes by bus from 'surfer's paradise', a popular beach spot with a hopping nightlife," Meloy said. "We recently traveled to Stradbroke Island, just three hours north of Queensland where we surfed, went sand boarding and sea kayaking."

Campbell described Stradbroke Island as "long white beaches and sparkling turquoise water."

Meloy and Campbell both have hopes of traveling to Fiji and New Zealand, which are

popular destinations for Australians on holiday.

They both are excited for upcoming trips within Australia, including a boating trip to the Great Barrier Reef to snorkel and explore the rainforest as well as trips to Sydney and Brisbane.

"The weather is great and will only get hotter as time goes on!" Campbell said.

Juniors Kelly Marchesi and Lily Strumwasser, both of Delta Delta Delta are spending their semester abroad in Florence, Italy where they attend classes Monday through Thursday. The girls travel to surrounding countries and other cities in Italy Friday through Sunday.

Marchesi and Strumwasser just got back from their first trip to Switzerland where they stayed in a hostel.

"We're using a program that figures out our transportation and books the hostel for us" Marchesi said. "All we have to do is pay them the fee - much easier than trying to book our own trips!"

Many other sorority girls chose to travel

Photo by Alison Hill
Delta Delta Delta sisters Kelly Marchesi (left) and Lily Strumwasser (right), enjoy Italian style ice cream in northern Italy.

abroad this semester including several Delta Gamma's who are in France and Australia.

"It was a little hard to adjust at first, and of course I always get a little homesick here and there, but all in all I love every minute of it" Marchesi said. "I think it was a great decision to come here and I encourage every student to at least give traveling abroad a thought. It is a great opportunity that you may never have again."

"I highly recommend every upcoming junior or senior to take a semester off from OWU and go abroad" Meloy said. "It is the best experience I will ever have."

Campbell added, "I highly recommend that all students go abroad and see how the other side of the world lives."

Students aid Obama campaign in Delaware

Kyle Sjarif
Transcript Reporter

It is widely speculated that Barack Obama's path to the White House will have to go through Ohio. Several students at Ohio Wesleyan say they are fully aware of this and are doing their utmost to ensure that he takes Ohio.

Located on 57 N. Sandusky St., the Barack Obama Campaign for Change Delaware Office is about a five minute walk from the Hamilton Williams Student Center or the academic side of campus.

It is targeted toward attracting and informing Delaware residents as well as attempting to secure votes from students of several of the universities located in suburban towns in Ohio.

The large number of campaign offices in Ohio—more than 70—illustrates the importance of Ohio to Obama's campaign.

During the Ohio primary for the Democratic nomination, Obama lost Ohio to Senator Hillary Clinton, which only further illustrates that, to win Ohio individually and the presidential election collectively, securing as many votes as he



Student supporters of Obama stand in front of a chalk drawn replica of Obama's logo on the Jaywalk.

can in Ohio is essential.

Several students around campus have expressed their support for Obama and their desire for change by volunteering and interning for various responsibilities at the campaign office.

Senior Micah Klugman said, "I can't just sit around and complain if McCain wins, so that's why I felt the need to make a difference. It's just like voting; unless you go out and try to make a difference there

is no use in complaining about the person elected to office."

Klugman, who is from Texas, has spent a number of his Saturday afternoons volunteering for the Obama campaign.

Though Klugman said one of his main reasons for supporting Obama is because of his liberal upbringing, ultimately he said he feels that Obama could provide the change needed to invigorate and revitalize the direction the country is taking.

Another student working to promote and spread Obama's campaign is junior Alison Kennedy.

Her support for Obama stems from her family's affinity for politics. She felt the need to continue that long tradition by attempting to make a difference.

"I want to tell my children that their mother helped and tried to make a difference during the election in 2008," Kennedy said.

There are several different activities that the interns and volunteers perform at the offices.

One of the main actives is canvassing, where representatives from the campaign go from door to door around the community and attempt to inform the residents of the area regarding Obama's standpoint on the various issues, as well as just converse with the resident to ensure that they do vote.

Other types of work include making phone calls to various people to discuss the same issues as the door-to-door issues.

"I feel that it is a more personal campaign this way," Kennedy said. "He doesn't rely on only the mass media but also the personal interaction between volunteers and campaign workers with the community."

Based on her work so far, Kennedy said the people of Delaware desire a change in the county's leadership positions and that they are frustrated.

"Our job isn't solely focused on promoting Obama's views however just ensuring that the community is properly informed regarding his politi-

cal standpoint," she said. "In the end all I want to do is try and make a change but if they vote for McCain so be it."

Sophomore Dan Purchia has shown his support for the campaign by volunteering his entire Saturday towards helping the campaign.

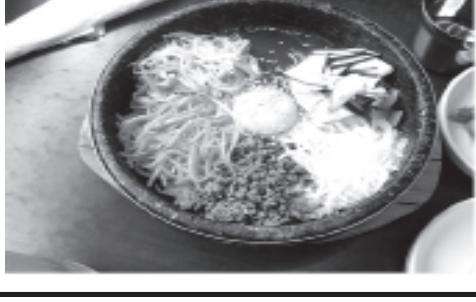
"I don't want people to lack information or select their candidate because their expected to do so by their family or community," Purchia said. "There are definitely people who strongly support either candidate; however, I'm hoping that by going door to door and making calls to various people, my efforts will at least sway the undecided votes towards Obama."

"Once you draw the people into conversation, I tend to discover that many people don't vote so much on what benefits them but rather who they're expected to vote for, so I feel that it is important to try and spread the message that I believe in," he added.

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Arts & Entertainment

Elaborate costumes contribute to high impact fashion show

By Samantha Beany
Transcript Reporter

Cravats, spats and hoop skirts may no longer be in fashion, but in the fall production of *Fashion!* the terms are common.

Fashion! is a comedy about the newly wealthy Tiffany family who try to buy their way into "ee-light" society with fashion advice from their maid.

"The play deals with the excesses of fashion, so there is a wonderful opportunity to design some really fun clothing," said Teresa Snider-Stein ('80), the costume designer for the show.

Snider-Stein worked in television for eight years and was a founding member of the Signature Theatre in New York.

"I worked directly with playwrights Romulus Linney, Edward Albee, Arthur Miller, Adrienne Kennedy and Maria Irene Forness," Snider-Stein said.

Now she is the costume design professor and runs the costume department at Brooklyn College.

"[For *Fashion!*] we are using the basic mid-

19th century silhouette with a bit of a modern twist," Snider-Stein said.

Sophomore Marisa Wintrow and senior Danielle Clare Pomorski, members of the costume crew, traded off taking notes on the alterations to the costumes. Pants needed to be let out, suspender buttons needed to be sewn on, cravats needed tied, and most pieces needed a little TLC.

"The costumes are the show," Pomorski said. "It blows the other shows I've worked on out of the water."

The five actors from the morning fitting had at least two costumes with multiple pieces and spent an average of one and a half hours being fitted by the costume crew and reviewed by director Bonnie Milne-Gardner.

"Bonnie has created a wonderful adaptation that keeps the spirit of the original," Snider-Stein said, "But she updates the language so that it is accessible and entertaining for today's audiences. I think it will be fantastic."

Fashion! premieres Friday, Oct. 3, at 8 p.m. on the main stage of the Chappaqua Drama Center.

Internet may replace television

By Kaitlin Thomas
Entertainment Columnist

According to the Encyclopedia Britannica Online, "media convergence" is the "phenomenon involving the interlocking of computing and information technology companies, telecommunications networks, and content providers from the publishing worlds of newspapers, magazines, music, radio, television, films, and entertainment software."

I never paid much attention to convergence because for most of my life I have had access to the Internet and all the goodies it provides.

But for the rest of the world—those who grew up without the Internet and 500-station TVs—convergence is a real thing.

YouTube was

founded in February

2005. Since then, bil-

lions of videos have

surfaced on the web

site and other sites

like it. How many

hours have you wasted

watching various vid-

eos on these sites? And,

no, pornography does

not count. Or maybe it

does. I don't know.

But this summer

I found something new: web shows that were produced solely for the Internet.

"Dr. Horrible's Sing-Along Blog," created by television visionary Joss Whedon of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," premiered online. Within hours the web site crashed due to high traffic volume (I may or may not have been part of this rush).

"Dr. Horrible" was a 45-minute web musical starring Neil Patrick Harris ("How I Met Your Mother"), Nathan Fillion (Whedon's short-lived "Firefly") and Felicia Day ("Buffy" and web show "The Guild").

Harris starred as the wannabe super-villain Dr. Horrible

trying to earn his place in the Evil League of Evil, Fillion as his arch-nemesis Captain Hammer and Day played the love interest of both men.

It was filmed in just seven days with no production crew and with a budget in the low six figures.

In an interview with the Hollywood Reporter shortly after the release of "Dr. Horrible" Whedon said, "We wanted it to be about the Internet as much as it was about 'Dr. Horrible.' We wanted to say there is another way, just not to the studios, but to the people doing the Internet. It's not your cat falling off a TV set or 'Ben-Hur' there is something in the middle."

And this is what led me to search for other material produced strictly for the Internet.

"It's only a matter of time before our television sets become obsolete and we consume all our entertainment from the Internet."

I didn't have to look far, because during my fanatical research about the production of "Dr. Horrible," I learned that actress Felicia Day had her own web show called "The Guild."

The show is written completely by Day herself and is about a group of people who play an online role-playing game together and how they interact in real life outside of the game. Right away you're thinking, "Wow, geek much?" But the show is goofy, and I like it.

The first season is available on DVD, and Day does all of the packaging and mailing personally. It's truly hard work for her to put this out. It made me respect the work that

some people do just to make me laugh for a few minutes.

I continued my search for online shows and found a web show from another "Buffy" alum, Tom Lenk.

Lenk stars in the show "Border Patrol" about friends who drive to the U.S./Mexico border every weekend to keep illegal immigrants from crossing. The show was created, written and produced by Josh Greenbaum and Ben McMillan.

Though I love "The Guild," this show is more entertaining. Its comedy factor is higher, it has more adult humor (a favorite of mine) and they make fun of themselves for the big laughs.

Shortly after its Internet debut, Comedy Central ordered the creators to write a

30 minute pilot script

for TV.

I also found the web show "Legend of Neil," created by one of the cast members of "The Guild," Sandeep Parikh.

The show is about a man sucked into the video game "The Legend of Zelda." This appealed to me because I knew who Parikh was and because my 23-year-old brother still reminds me of the time when I was 7 and he was 9 and I erased his progress on "Zelda." Sorry Morgan. Again.

So what does all of this mean? It means, as Bob Dylan once said, the times, they are a-changin'. Atom.com and the web site EffinFunny.com (created by Parikh) host several original web shows, and there are many sites like these out there. It's only a matter of time before our television sets become obsolete and we consume all our news and entertainment from the Internet.

Convergence is real, and if technology continues to progress at this rate, I think it's safe to say this change will be here very soon.

County fair brings fun to the community



Photo by Sara Mays

Despite a windy start to the week, the 175th Delaware County Fair was attended by an estimated 150,000 people, with 50,000 watching the harness race alone. The weather and the fact that local public schools remained closed due to power outages in the early part of the week were thought to have increased attendance.

Innovative artists turn others' trash into treasure

Booker uses recycled automobile tires and mats to create three-dimensional sculptures. Many of her designs resemble African masks.

• Lyne Kearns. The New Zealand artist uses second-hand undergarments to make crocheted handbags. "For me, the whole process of collecting, sorting, deconstruction, and recreating is the Art Work," Kearns said.

• Hayley Muse Rupersburg. From Richmond, Va., Rupersburg creates vibrant jewelry using recycled plastic and glass. "A few years ago, intrigued with the possibilities of jewelry design, my imagination caught fire," she said. "I became so overwhelmed with ideas, I couldn't crank them out fast enough."

• Aurora Robson. The Brooklyn, N.Y., artist transforms plastic bottles into bright and airy pieces of art, keeping the bottles out of landfills. "My practice is ultimately about recognizing and embracing new possibilities and encouraging others to do the same," Robson said.

• Francesca Vitali. Recently transplanted from Southern California to Rochester, N.Y., Vitali is a chemist by day and a jewelry maker by night. "I started with simple paper beads. Later I developed new geometries, combining paper elements with other materials," Vitali said. "Eventually I found my self transforming paper into [a] precious object, realizing that I've become an alchemist."

Artists participating in the "Discarded to Distinctive" exhibit are:

• Chakaia Booker. Based in New York,



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Opinion

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the newly established College Republicans organization at OWU. Our mission is to spread the values and beliefs of the Republican Party while aiding in local and national campaigns on campus and throughout the Delaware community.

Over the past couple of weeks, we have taken an active role in educating the campus on where Senator John McCain and Governor Sarah Palin stand on the issues and why we're voting for them this November. We have spent numerous hours helping to mount the McCain-Palin campaign on campus and throughout the city of Delaware.

In addition, we have offered and will continue to offer many opportunities for students to participate in this critical election year, as we provide a safe forum where their voices are counted and heard.

In addition, we have also been actively educating the campus on local elections here in Delaware County. Registering in Delaware is the first step in an important process as students prepare to vote. We acknowledge and respect all students' political beliefs, but feel that it is important that they are educated on where local politicians stand on the issues when they go to the polls. Change also comes through local officials, as well as our Congressmen who push legislation and laws in Washington, D.C.

Most importantly, we want to ensure that those students who are Republicans or support Republican candidates feel politically welcome and supported on campus. We believe that the comfort of our members and their ability to express their political beliefs safely on campus is a top priority as we move forward in this campaign season. It is our hope that our organization, and more importantly, our members, can be politically active, open and respected on a campus that prides itself on diversity.

If you are interested in joining us or would like more information, check us out at www.OWURepublicans.com, and on Facebook, "OWU College Republicans."

Thanks,
Trevor J. Hawley
Community Outreach Director
OWU College Republicans

Eco-morality a must

By Jack Stenger
Environmental Columnist

Ice caps will melt, sea levels will rise, cities will be washed out, fresh water will dwindle, disease will spread and apocalyptic chaos will ensue. That is the fate experts warn of if we continue in our same environmentally abusive ways.

We know that some of the damage we have done to our environment is irreversible -- we can't replace extinct species or ice. Meanwhile, the majority of Americans are apathetic and pay no attention whatsoever to these issues.

How can somebody who really cares about the condition of their world not fall into fits of despair and utter pessimism when they think of the average American's dedication to environmental issues? This is true even at OWU. For example, we can't even put recycling bins in Stuy because residents crap in them.

These thoughts plague me frequently, and I have gotten proficient at consoling myself, so I'll attempt to do that for others of like minds, because there are many at this school with these issues close to their hearts.

When my grandmother was born women could not vote in

the United States. That's appalling. But it's heartening that, today, nobody in the right mind would think of challenging the right for women to vote. Our society has completely absorbed this into our moral mainstream.

Where are the environmental morals of our country, and when will they catch up with the minority of progressive thinkers?

There coming, don't worry. It may be slow, but it's inevitable. This is why education is so important. It's the easiest and most effective form of environmental activism, especially on a college campus with strong environmental groups and programs.

Go to colloquium events. Attend Environment and Wildlife Club meetings. Do what ever you can to fuel the machine of our moral progression, not our hummers.

Because the quicker our society wizens up and accepts environmentally friendly morals, the sooner the quality of life for all life-forms will increase.

Where the collective human morality will lie in 100 years is uncertain, and will depend on how we, in the face of this pressing environmental crisis, choose to shape it.

Government

buys the poor

Mad Money

with Tavish Miller



reactions among those purchased.

"Ya know, I'm conflicted because this country has a proud tradition of ignoring poor people and I'm not sure if this country is ready for change," yelled Terrence Brody, who lives on 4th St. between 1st and 2nd Ave.

Margaret Mayfield had a different opinion: "This isn't going to change anything! It only makes us owe more money! Did anyone think this through before they approved this? Why aren't they putting more money into the schools or training any of the adults to have marketable skills so they can get a job?! We can't use a streetcar!"

Margaret was shot by Mayor Coleman upon completing her thought.

Bill Idiot, someone not poor, provided his opinion: "Listen here, I come from a long line of Idiots and in this family we all agree that this is stupid with a capital S! No I don't know anything about economics or 'Freakonomics' but I can tell you one thing you come on my property that's trespassing and I'm gonna shoot ya."

COLUMBUS -- In an effort to save the failing economy, the United States government announced this week that it will begin buying up all poor people around the country. The buyout is expected to cost approximately \$324 billion and be ineffective.

The Treasury issued the following statement:

"In this time of economic hardship being felt by everyone, it was necessary to do what was right to keep this country afloat."

Those bought out are expected to remain poor by not being able to pay off the steep loan interest rates set by the government.

The government is reportedly paying \$33.04 per poor person, or roughly half of their actual worth, and hopes to gain enough capital through interest to buy the middle class.

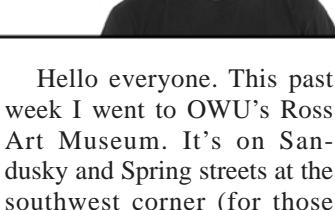
There seem to be mixed

A few columns ago I had a fictional representative from the Vatican claiming that "*during The Hundred Years War when John XXII appointed King Robert of Sicily as the Imperial vicar for Italy. Now that was controversy!*"

In the act of joking sometimes we all get a little caught up in ourselves. In no way did I wish to insinuate that the appointment or reign of King Robert of Sicily as the Imperial vicar of Italy was ineffectual or uncalled for.

King Robert served his term admirably and for this he should be commended. I thank his great-great-granddaughter (she's great) Jessie Billington (OWU Class of '87) for her passionate letter.

Ramblings on Ross Art, the economy, and "teenie" magazines



Tackle Football
with Rory McHale

Hello everyone. This past week I went to OWU's Ross Art Museum. It's on Sandusky and Spring streets at the southwest corner (for those unaware).

It has a reasonably cool exhibit on Delaware and Ohio Wesleyan's history. I suggest you make your presence known. (They do have a guest book there and any student found not to have signed their name in by the end of their

reading of this column will be melted down with a laser.) Seriously though.

Hey, let's see what's in the news these days. I notice John McCain and Barack Obama are running for president (it should be noted that Microsoft word automatically capitalized "microsoft" and does not recognize either "barack" or "obama.") When will the discrimination end!?

Hopefully the campaign stays civil and both sides agree to a noble discourse that addresses issues rather than personalities and buzz topics.

After all, both men have served this country admirably. John McCain went so far as to serve as a POW after his fighter jet was shot down in Viet-

nam. (Jerk: Gee, Rory, wasn't McCain's "fighter jet" bombing civilians in North Vietnam during his some 23 previous bombing missions? Rory: Shut up!) But enough of that.

It also appears that the U.S. federal government is nearly ready to give \$700 billion dollars to several failing financial firms.

I'm no economist (Rory McHale: M.A. Harvard Business School, 2006. Ph.D., Yale Business, 2007. Book: *My Life As an Economist: The Rory McHale Story*).

But it appears this money will trickle down to us "regulars." I have been assured that these better-offs who have failed with their businesses will create jobs for me with all

this money.

Yet there is a nagging feeling that if this \$700 billion (that's nearly a trillion dollars, incomprehensible, couldn't we invade Iran or something instead?) were injected at the bottom end instead, I wouldn't need a job.

I promise that if given an adequate share of this bailout, I will employ up to 20 executives of these banking institutions in my mail room and/or food services program, at competitive wages.

But enough about (boring) economics! Let's talk about boys!

While carousing the magazines at my local Kroger, I found something that changed my life: *Astrogirl!* Find this

magazine. It (I kid you not) is a "teenie" magazine marketed toward young girls that discusses somewhat celebrity boys and crushes through the scope of girls' Zodiac signs and horoscopes.

Not to belittle anyone (excluding the creators of this magazine) but here is my monthly 'scope: *Drama queen, it's time to put your talents to good use. Audition for your community play. You'll get a GREAT role and totally love being the center of attention.*

Additionally, my "cool kids" are the 23rd and 26th.

Finally, I have received a lot of emails about something said in a previous column and I would like to state this apology:

fight of interest, both politically, and economically. The regional embroilment complicates its efforts to detach itself from the political clout of the Caucasus and become more economically independent to meet European institutional standards.

As the recent events show, aspirations do not suffice when major interests, such as energy and security, are involved. Georgia is too feeble to stand against Russia, while Europe and NATO are reticent in expanding into the complex setting of Caucasus. Economics overrode politics, with national-self interest prioritizing any liberal values such as support for democracy and self-determination.

Georgia's biggest aspiration: integration within the Euro framework

By Alexandra Panait

Transcript Columnist

Energy, geographical position and the rise of the interest in the Black Sea define Georgia, a country seeking and modeling itself after a new Western identity.

What Georgia wants, a Euro-Atlantic integration similar to the southeastern European efforts, lies in stark contrast with the big players around it: Russia, Turkey, Iran.

Will this regional identity of a struggling Georgia provide enough argument for its membership and diplomatic exclusion from the troubled Caucasus?

Georgia bears numerous nuances of regional identi-

ties. The dissolution of the Soviet Union left Georgia in a vacuum of self-recognition. It was not the Former Soviet Union or the Newly Independent States that suited the post-Cold War Georgian interest; the South Caucasus offered an alternative of common geography, culture and Western aspirations.

Based on geographical considerations, Georgia remains part of the littoral states of the Wider Black Sea region that could fit in well with the Euro-Atlantic structures.

Georgia's strongest aspiration is the integration within the European framework, particularly through the European pre-steps membership such as the EU's European Neighbor-

hood Policy (ENP).

The NATO overall public support comes as a second choice given the Georgian fractured society. Georgia could be used as an important convergent point of the strain political and economical relations surrounding it.

What lies behind Georgia's symbolic Westernization? Open to the Black Sea's, next-to-new hydrocarbon resources, and with Europe's high demand for both gas and oil, Georgia becomes the transit state of supply routes connecting the Caspian Sea with the rest of Europe.

Georgia is particularly strong at the electricity grids, potentially making it a valuable regional hub for net-

works. Thus, a secure Georgia plays as an asset for Europe's energy.

An insight into the state's importance is found in Azerbaijani oil transiting Georgia by both rail and pipeline. Several other projects that will increase the western Black Sea distribution capacity are underway: Odessa-Brody-Gdansk, Constanta-Trieste and Burgas-Alexandroupolis. Already two newly opened pipelines transverse Georgia: Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan (BTC) and Baku-Tbilisi-Erzurum (BTM).

Despite the obvious regional role Georgia plays, the U.S. maintains interest on the stability of the region as Georgia increases piecemeal its own

capacity for infrastructure security.

To all these developments, Russia is becoming wary. Any routes bypassing Georgia are equated as threat to the Russian dominance as an energy supplier in the region. Georgia, in contrast, is seeking cooperation for natural gas with Turkey, Azerbaijan and as a distant source, Iran.

At the same time, Russia remains the main energy supplier of Armenia through Georgian pipelines, pressuring the need of monopolizing Georgia's main gas as a gateway for future cooperation with Iran.

Can Georgia resist such menace?

Georgia is entangled in a

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Bishops Sports

Bishops bow to the blue streaks in first loss

Sophomore forward Tyler Wall scored to give the Bishops a 1-0 lead, but John Carroll answered with 3 straight goals to defeat Ohio Wesleyan in non-conference action on Saturday in University Heights.

After a scoreless first half, Wall took a feed from freshman forward Matt Bonfini and scored for a 1-0 Bishop lead 6 minutes into the second half.

The Blue Streaks evened the game 5 minutes later when Joe Ciacci fielded a pass from Scott McKinney for a goal, then took the lead in the 72nd minute as McKinney set up Corey Rider for a goal.

John Carroll finished off the scoring with Jeff Kosek's goal with :22 left in the game.

Ohio Wesleyan outshot John Carroll, 13-9.

Wall led with four of the shots, with Bonfini following closely with two, both of which on shots on goal. Junior Richard Ott had 3 saves for the Bishops, while Matt DeMarchi finished with 4 saves for the Blue Streaks.



Photo by Cliff Williams

Sophomore defender Eric Laipple heads the ball into the box against Otterbein last Wednesday. The Bishops won 2-1 with late goals from freshman midfielder Tyler Wall and junior midfielder Jordan Halloran.

Upcoming Games

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Oct. 1, 7:30 p.m.
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Oct. 4, 3 p.m.
at Hiram

Oct. 8, 4:45 p.m.
at Kenyon

Oct. 10, 7:30 p.m.
DENISON

The Little Brown Jug: a big event in a small town

By Cliff Williams
Transcript Reporter

At the Delaware County Fair on Thursday, a packed crowd of 50,000-plus spectators saw three-year-old Shadow Play, driven by David Miller, come in first place at the 63rd annual running of the Little Brown Jug.

Shadow Play needed to win an elimination race along with the final race in order to achieve victory at the Little Brown Jug. He finished his first race in 1:50.00 and his final race in 1:50.20 to win.

Before the final race, David Miller had a critical decision to make; he had driven two horses at the Jug and was able to qualify both of them for the championship race.

"I came to ride Shadow Play," Miller said from the winner's circle.

As one of the largest harness races in the world, showcased here in Delaware, the Little Brown Jug brought out a variety of people.

"Very few communities the size of Delaware have an event of this magnitude, providing entertainment for the community and attracting to the community visitors from across the country and even other parts of the world," said Ohio Wesleyan President Rock Jones.

The races were not entirely a Delaware County event. Ohio Wesleyan was able to show its support by sponsoring

a race on Jug Day.

"The opportunity to be a sponsor of one of the races offers a nice connection with the community," Jones said. "Events like the Little Brown Jug strengthen the community and have auxiliary benefits that enhance the quality of life for our students as well as for the permanent residents of Delaware."

Even members of the student body attended the race. Senior Kyle Miller, who was born and raised in Delaware, has been going to the Jug with his family since he was a child.

"There is such a great atmosphere while you are there," said Miller. "It brings in a lot of people who are all about having a good time while they are here."

"It's a big deal around here," said sophomore Corstiaan Burns. "It's always a fun time of the year; plus, we always got the day off during high school for the races."

Jones, who was at the races on Jug day, has strong feelings about the event and the county fair.

"The Little Brown Jug and the various events surrounding the race and the fair reflect the visionary leadership of the people of Delaware," Jones said.

"This is one of the many reasons why Delaware is a good place to live and a good place to attend college."



Photos by Sara Mays

The development of the Little Brown Jug, a five-day-long harness race series, began in 1937 when the Delaware Council Agricultural Society moved the fairgrounds to Delaware from Powell. Two years later, a half-mile track was built for harness racing. Then, in 1944 and 1945, the Little Brown Jug was officially established, and named through a newspaper contest. The first Jug was held in 1946, with a purse of \$35,358.





Bishops Sports

Lady Bishops fall to Messiah



Photo by Cliff Williams

Megan Hoffman carries the ball upfield during the Bishops' win over Wilmington

By Josh Powers
Transcript Reporter

With the season just getting started, the OWU women's soccer team has opened up their season at 4-3-1, winning against Pitt-Bardford, St. John Fisher, Case Reserve, DePauw and Wilmington. However, their skills were tested against Messiah, who is currently ranked number two in the nation, and they lost the game 7-1.

"Our preparation is pretty much the same no matter who we play, but our level of concentration has to increase; our touch a little better, and our shots a little more accurate," said eleventh-year head coach Bob Barnes.

"Tough teams make you work harder and smarter, and

that is what we are trying to simulate in practice. We strive for and demand high standards, so it is irrelevant which team is next on our schedule. We attacked Messiah with all we had. We definitely did not fear them."

"I heard that the Messiah game is one that really challenges our team," freshman Makinzie Krebsbach said. "It is a game against a team who could be considered better than us, but a team that we could beat if we went into the game extremely prepared and focused."

"Messiah was an incredibly talented team," said senior Allie Cozzone. "The score was obviously lopsided, but I don't think it truly reflects how hard our team worked. Of course, a loss of this

magnitude is discouraging, but we realize it's important to have a short memory. Playing such a worthy opponent can only make us better as a team, and I think it was an important experience for our young team."

With such a young team, Barnes knows he must have team goals. "Currently, we are just focusing on getting better every day," he said. "With the influx of a talented freshman class and a few injuries, we are trying to find the right mix on the field."

"Our team goals of winning the conference and making a deep run in the tournament are always there," Barnes continued. "Deep down, each player strives to hoist the trophy at the end of the season, and then keep going once we get into

the NCAA's."

Though the team suffered a loss to Messiah, the game was a non-conference battle and does not affect the team's chances of winning NCAC league honors or the conference tournament. With this game behind them, the team now looks to focus on the upcoming rivalry games of Wooster and Denison.

"Our region is full of talented programs, so almost every game is important to our rankings and getting into the post-season tournament," Cozzone said. "Unlike in other sports, there are so many big in-conference games in soccer. However, Denison is by far my favorite game of the season, simply because it's always a close and physical battle."

Volleyball struggles in early season

By Steven Ruygrok
Transcript Reporter

The Lady Bishops' rocky start continued as they were swept by both Albion and Nazareth in consecutive matches at the Mid-Month Madness Tournament in Columbus Friday night.

The Bishops' last match won took place on Sept. 5, but they haven't won a single

set since. Ohio Wesleyan has started the year with a 1-11 mark.

Albion defeated OWU by scores of 25-21, 25-17 and 25-22. Sophomore Lainey Kekic led the way for the Bishops with 19 digs and 6 kills in the losing effort. The Bishops fell to Nazareth by scores of 25-11, 25-17 and 25-15.

Ohio Wesleyan is nearing

the halfway point of the season and still has to participate in conference play.

"Our defense (has) picked up; we were really scrappy, but our mental game still failed us," said Janna Dagley, who is a three-year lettering senior.

The Bishops will open up conference play at home on Wednesday night, Sept. 24 against Wittenberg University.

"We are determined to

come together as a team and solve this as a unit," Dagley said.

"To be successful the rest of the year, we need to continue to work hard and put faith in our teammates, coaches and ourselves."

The Bishops look to turn around their season starting this coming Wednesday against Wittenberg in Branch Rickey at 7 p.m.

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greats that once battled on the field in front of them.

Nobody will get to sit in the locker room and listen to a pep talk in the same place the "Win one for the Gipper" speech was given.

Players will not be able to see an empty locker that belonged to a fallen teammate and friend. No one will be able to visit a room where Lou Gehrig went to reflect.

They will not be able to run the bases that Ruth, Mantle and DiMaggio ran or walk on the mound where the only perfect game in World Series history was thrown.

The site of the football game that is called "the Greatest Game ever played" will be lost as will be the parking

lot where George Costanza dragged the world championship trophy in an attempt to upset Mr. Steinbrenner.

People will have to tell their children and grandchildren that the park they are walking through once held a great stadium and be more descriptive of their own experiences now that they cannot offer the real thing to the young.

The team and the pinstripes will move across the street. The plaques and the monuments and the fans will move with them.

But the nostalgia and the experience of Yankee Stadium will not move. It will be torn down -- and with it some of the memories might fade away as well.

Turnovers costly in NCAC opener

Senior cornerback Preston Osborn and junior safety Rylan Mitter-Burke turned in outstanding defensive efforts for Ohio Wesleyan, but Wooster defeated the Bishops 20-2 in the North Coast Athletic Conference opener for both teams on Saturday in Wooster.

Wooster drove to a first down at the Bishop 15-yard line on its first possession of the game, but senior cornerback Preston Osborn and junior safety Daniel DeLay dumped Wooster receiver Will Hansen for a 5-yard loss on first down and the Scot drive ended there.

On their next possession, though, the Scots found paydirt. Austin Holter found Jordan Ferns for 17 yards and a first down, then Holter hit Mike Redick on an 18-yard scoring play that capped a 49-yard, 5-play drive.

After the Wooster score the Bishop offense answered with a drive that stalled at the Fighting Scot 40, then seeing another possession end at the Wooster 2 when Bryan Albani intercepted a pass from sophomore quarterback Mike Fisher.

Osborn kept the game close by picking off a Holter pass in the Ohio Wesleyan end zone, ending a 92-yard drive by the Fighting Scots.

Ohio Wesleyan marched downfield toward the tying score, moving into Wooster territory on a 30-yard strike from Fisher to junior tight end Ryan Prince. Fisher picked up another first down with a 6-yard run, then found sophomore tight end Danny Flanagan for 18 yards and another

first down. A Wooster penalty gave the Bishops a first down at the 7-yard line, but on first down, sophomore running back Mickey Gies fumbled at the goal line and Wooster recovered to end the threat.

In the second half, Mitter-Burke kept the game close by picking off a Holter pass at the Ohio Wesleyan 5-yard line early in the third quarter, then intercepting another Holter pass at the Bishop 17-yard line early in the fourth quarter.

Wooster got excellent field position when Fisher was sacked and fumbled at the Bishop 19, and Brian Swan fell on the ball on the Ohio Wesleyan 22-yard line at the midway point of the fourth quarter.

The Scots took advantage of the opportunity, with Dustin Sheppard covering the 22 yards in 2 plays to increase the Wooster lead to 13-0.

On the ensuing point after kick, Mitter-Burke surged through the Wooster offensive line to block the kick, had the ball bounce back to him, and set sail for the Wooster goal line. The defensive extra point, the first in Ohio Wesleyan history, made the score 13-2 with 6:55 left in regulation time.

The Bishops moved the ball out to their own 40-yard line, but after a short completion from freshman quarterback Keegan Varner to sophomore split end Seth Phillips, Phillips fumbled and Wooster recovered at the Bishop 43, setting up an insurance score for the Fighting Scots.

The Bishops will take on Wittenberg at home this Saturday at Selby Field.

Cocumelli named NCAC Player of the Week



Photo courtesy of OWU Online
Sophomore field hockey player Christa Cocumelli was named NCAC Player of the Week after helping the Bishops defeat Denison 3-1 on Thursday. She scored two goals en route to the Bishops' victory.

Thoughts from the Third Row with Drew Lenox

When thinking of what is perhaps is the most famous sports landmark in American history, the momentous occasions and legendary events are endless.

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