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The amount of food wasted at Smith Dining Hall last week (Mar. 30 - April 6). This data is courtesy of Chartwells, OWU's dining service provider

WCSA Update

By Kelly Gardner
Transcript Reporter

After a fear of penny pinching earlier in the semester, WCSA Secretary Megan Evans said the budget is stable, and the budget committee has been having success in funding additional programs for the campus community.

The current budget stands at \$22,864.77 after this week's requests. Evans said this semester's full body presence and adherence to budgetary guidelines has helped to monitor budget allocations.

"We have had to be a bit more discerning considering the funding of programs, but that is not to say that programs were under funded universally," Evans said.

"We feel those programs which received funding were ones which the student body would deem important," she continued, adding that WCSA has also projected the budget request to the full body for input.

WCSA Vice president Kyle Herman said this semester's administrative progress could not be compared to last semester's, since WCSA was in a period of transition. He said it was necessary to allow time for the changes to sink in, the benefits of which would not be fully realized until the fall of 2009.

"Once we had a full body, we were able to fill positions on our committees to carry out the day-to-day activities of the student government, and I have been impressed by the initiative each [person] has taken," Herman said

"The full body has been great with the budget," Evans said. "The members ask great questions about why [the budget committee] made a certain recommendation and where the cuts were made, or the full body will debate the events appeal to the student body. The oversight has made a world of a difference in regulating where the money has been going."

Herman said Evans has done an excellent job.

"We did have some slight problems at the beginning of the semester, and had to take measures to be more fiscally responsible," Herman said. "But the situation was nowhere near as bad as some people made it out to be."

Evans said she is extremely pleased with the remaining budget for the last four weeks of the semester, and Herman added that not all students may immediately recognize the changes.

"Now that we have an experienced full body and active committees, I am confident in our ability to address the issues that come before us," Herman said.

TRANSCRIPT CENSORED

Roughly 275 copies removed from Ham-Will because of front page content

By Mark Dubovec
News Editor

Two weeks after the journalism department hosted a week-long celebration of First Amendment rights, this publication suffered an infringement of its own freedom of the press.

Last week, The Transcript ran stories on page one about the 50-Day Club at the Backstretch Bar and the possible installation of surveillance cameras in campus residence halls. Over the weekend, at least one junior Admissions Office staff member made a personal decision to remove roughly 275 copies of the publication from racks in the Hamilton-William Campus Center before Slice of College Life.

This was done with intentions to highlight positive aspects of the university during an admission

event and not as a conscious violation of the First Amendment, according to Assistant Vice President of Admission and Financial Aid Carol DelPropost.

"We regret if anyone was offended. We did not mean to offend anyone but simply to do our best to meet the enrollment goals of our university," DelPropost said. "We offer apologies to all of The Transcript staff."

Slice is the largest admissions event of the year. Between 220 and 230 admitted potential students and their parents visited the campus last weekend to get a feel for life at OWU.

"Our intent is to showcase our students, our faculty, our facilities and help them understand why [admitted seniors] might be best suited to attend Ohio Wesleyan," she said. "Our staff generally looks to clean up things."

DelPropost added that the tough economy exacerbates the challenge of

attracting students.

"Our work hinges on our showing people the value of an Ohio Wesleyan education," DelPropost said. "The students who we want to join Ohio Wesleyan are competed for by many, many fine institutions."

"We all respect all who work on The Transcript, and we appreciate and value that we have such a vehicle on our campus to communicate with others, and again, I regret that this has occurred and that it has offended people," DePropost said. "It won't happen again."

Concerns about alcohol consumption from parents of potential students are a common issue for the Admissions Office, said DelPropost.

"We actually get that question virtually every day," DelPropost said. "We believe that there is so much choice on our campus, so much choice for different kinds of activities, different ways to engage with each other, to have fun, and alcohol is an option. But students should not feel pressured."

DelPropost added that individual choice is important. "Even on a dry campus, you're going to have drinking," she said. "It's how we approach it and what we make available to our students that's important."

In addition, DelPropost stressed the importance of an independent college newspaper having the freedom to bring awareness and stimulate discussion on issues. "It's really a vital part of the university culture," she said.

DelPropost insists that the person or persons responsible weren't aware of any First Amendment violation. "I think that was the farthest thing from their minds," she said. "I think they had no idea that this would at all be an illegal transgression."

"It's a teaching moment. It's a learning opportunity. I think that there is not a likelihood of any loss of job," DelPropost said. "This was not a malicious act or any intentional breaking of the law. It was a mistake, an error of judgment...but if we can learn from them and move on, that helps us all."

Take Back The Night breaks silence

By Caitlin Goodman
Transcript Reporter

The tension rose and tears filled eyes in Bishop Cafe on April 2 as students found the courage to share traumatizing sexual encounters to a room of strangers. Whether rape, sexual assault or the uneasy feeling of a consented sexual experience, young men and women spoke out at this session during Take Back the Night, sponsored by the Women's House, in hopes to put their pasts behind them.

"It's a place of trust and comfort that gives people the ability to let out something so very personal, something that has affected them more than people could know," junior Katie McGarr said. "It's a place where people won't judge you and won't question what you say."

Shiloh, whose last name was disclosed from the public, led the speaking and explained the situation she was in as a teenager, and how it led to her rape. After many years of having told people this story, it still seemed to make her a little uneasy.

This allowed people to understand that while talking aloud about what happened is scary, it only leads to becoming a survivor rather than a victim.

Senior Heather Lamb felt the same uneasiness while speaking in front of the crowd, but understood, as many others did, that it would only help.

"I was extremely nervous...it's something very personal and something that ones closest friends and family may not even know," Lamb said. "It's like reliving it, but it doesn't hurt."

"I find it empowering for those who

have been victimized," Lamb continued. "Some don't often feel comfortable talking in front of a crowd, and some don't have open ears to hear their story."

The occasional silences were harnessed as a time to reflect on the previous speech, and for the next speaker to decide whether or not this was the time to speak out.

"It's really shocking, some of the things you hear, and a reality check for some of us," Lamb said. "It makes it hard to encourage people to speak."

Take Back the Night is annually headed by the Women's House in hopes to get their mission across campus.

"I think the Women's House does a good job educating everyone about women's issues," Lamb said. "It's a whole week of events, with Take Back the Night as the closing ceremony."

McGarr and Lamb both agree that speaking out during this event is only beneficial when wanting to heal.

"Share your story, and that's that; it's a healing process in that way," Lamb said.

Questions came about from students about why there are not more events like Take Back the Night to support women's issues like these.

"It's hard to say what other events would be helpful, since all the events of women's week are helpful," Lamb said. "I think that Take Back the Night is special because it is only held once a year, giving people time to think whether the next event could be the time they first let out their experience."

After the many speeches, the Women's House led everyone outside to a cool, yet



Photo by Ben Boynton
Participants in last Thursday's Take Back the Night were invited to attend a bonfire outside of the Peace and Justice house following the evening's speak out and march events.

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Former Chartwells worker assaults student at Clancey's

By Sarah Shkoukani
Transcript Reporter
and Mark Dubovec
News Editor

Junior Shahina Pohoomul, an international student from India, was physically assaulted on Saturday, March 28 by Caryn Cummins, a former employee of Chartwells, OWU's dining service, according to a Delaware police report.

Pohoomul and her friends said they had been sharing a table at Clancey's Pub with Cummins, whose coat hung on the stool and whose pitcher on the table. Pohoomul said her group was sharing the table because space was limited, and added that they were just minding their own business.

Later, Pohoomul recalled that Cummins, who she believed was intoxicated,

"It was just one little pop. It wasn't like I really wanted to hurt her. I was just irritated." -- Caryn Cummins, former Chartwells employee

said to not touch her jacket or drink her beer. Following that, Pohoomul remembers Cummins belittling her friends, telling them to "get out of my country and town."

"She then took her belongings and moved to the other side of the bar, near the pool tables," Pohoomul said. "We just laughed it off and ignored what had just happened. However, 20 minutes later, she was back in our faces accusing us of stealing her jacket."

Senior Dante Santino was one of Poohomul's friends who was with her that night. Pohoomul said Santino stepped in between them and

[OWU] Webmail to switch to Google

By Mike DiBiasio and **Julian Ginsberg**
Editor-in-chief *Transcript Reporter*

On April 20, frozen accounts and outdated technology will be a thing of the past when OWU trashes its 10-year-old, self-created Webmail interface for Google Apps.

At the request of President Rock Jones, a 20-member IT Task Force of faculty, staff and administrators began a comprehensive evaluation of the University's technological capabilities inside and outside the classroom – the first substantial IT evaluation on over 10 years, according to Director if Information Services Jason LaMar – and recognized the need for an updated email interface. Updates were proposed four years ago to install Microsoft Exchange, a similar interface, but without a cheaper alternative like Google Apps available yet, the Microsoft update wasn't considered a funding priority and was put aside.

Today, the Google Apps update isn't considered a funding priority either, mainly because it's free. The only expense will be the three-week installation period.

"The no cost option definitely didn't hurt," LaMar said. "We considered others like Microsoft Exchange again, but given the alternative, and because Google has already proven itself as a solution to other institutions it almost became a forgone conclusion."

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INCIDENT REPORT

March 29 - April 5

• On March 29, a student living in Thomson Hall reported the rear window of his car smashed with an empty beer bottle. The car was parked in the Bashford parking lot. Further investigation revealed three students living in Bashford Hall, along with a resident of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity, to be responsible for the damage to the vehicle. Further charges against these individuals include underage possession/consumption of alcohol and criminal damaging. The Delaware Police were also contacted.

• On April 1, a secondary fire alarm reported in Stuyvesant Hall was caused by fumes from a mixture of cleaning supplies. Windows were opened to “air out” the room.

• On April 2, a second fire alarm reported in Stuyvesant Hall was caused by careless cooking by a resident.

• On April 2, a Stuyvesant Hall resident reported his cell phone missing and likely stolen. The complainant reported receiving an obscene text message from an individual believed to have possession of the phone. The Delaware Police were also contacted.

• On April 2, a staff member reported finding sexually explicit graffiti drawn on a wall in the men’s restroom between Thomson and Welch Halls.

• On April 3, a staff member reported a large amount of cash taken from a desk drawer in Welch Hall. It was reported that the money was not secured.

• On April 5, the housekeeping staff advised Public Safety of a fire extinguisher found discharged outside the laundry room in Stuyvesant Hall.

--Compiled by Micah Klugman

Taking a slice

Admitted high school students took a helping of a weekend at OWU to learn more about the college experience

By Kyle Sjarif
Transcript Correspondent

Slice of College Life presented admitted high school students with the opportunity to gain valuable insight into life as a college student while current OWU freshmen expressed the importance of their experience by hosting students this year.

An event spanning two-days, Slice allowed for prospective students to attend classes and meet with various faculty members, staff, administration and athletic coaches. Most students also chose to stay overnight with a host student to experience living, sleeping and eating like college kids.

Over 300 prospective students visited campus this year before making their final decisions, and Slice of Life “alumni” have stressed the importance of the event and how it helped foster their final decision to attend the school.

Freshman Aiden Senner said the experience he gained from Slice of Life helped him decide to attend OWU.

“At first, I wasn’t too sure about the Slice of Life program,” Senner said. “But after going through the activities, I had a great time and even got to meet some of the kids I’m good friends with now.”

The Slice of Life program is offered only to admitted students, unlike other prospective student programs, and sophomore Peter Pieh said he appreciated the chance to meet other kids in his situation, which made the transition easier.

“It’s really intimidating to come to a college campus as a high school senior and going from the top of your class back to being the new kids,” Pieh



Photo by Sara Mays

Prospective students gathered with their student hosts, families and OWU faculty for lunch and an opportunity to learn more about Ohio Wesleyan during last weekend’s Slice of College Life.

said.

“But the good thing about Slice is that we get the chance to meet one another, and because all of us come at once, it’s almost guaranteed to meet somebody that you’ll have class with.”

Sophomore Jon Steward, a previous host for a student who ended up attending Ohio Wesleyan this year, said it was even more important for prospective students to meet somebody already at the school. Steward said this setup enables potential students by giving them the chance to talk to current students, allowing them to get to know them before deciding to attend the school and offering prospectives a realistic perspective of the campus.

“When my prospect asked me questions about the weekends and social scene, I think it was more insightful to him to take it from me compared to the school officers,” Steward said.

Unfortunately, not all prospective students stayed for both days or even any of the organized activities planned by the Admissions department.

Prospective student Matt Bemer said he much preferred to tour the campus and the downtown area on his own, instead of with a group of other people, because he could explore it more in-depth.

“I didn’t care for all the events and activities, since they don’t really reflect the experience I think I’ll get out of coming here,” Bemer said.

YearOne freshmen headed to Bashford, Thomson

By Mary Slebodnik
Transcript Correspondent

Upperclassmen will have to switch residence halls to make room for the 2009-2010 YearOne freshmen community, which will fill up Thomson and Bashford Halls.

Assistant Director of Residential Life Julie Blaszak said YearOne is a program that takes a large number of freshmen students and houses them together with a higher ratio of Residential Aides (RAs) in order to create a supportive living and learning community.

Blaszak said moving YearOne from Smith East to Thomson and Bashford next year will help the program achieve its goals by doubling its accommodation from about 120 to 240 students.

She said the community bathrooms in Thomson and Bashford will generate opportunities for students to leave their rooms and interact with residents on each floor.

“Some of the best

conversations happen when you go to brush your teeth,” Blaszak said.

She said she does not think many current students will object to the change.

“In past selections, we haven’t had a lot of people choose Thomson or Bashford, so I don’t think it will be much of a problem,” she said.

However, freshman Marissa Ballard, who lives in Bashford, said she does not like being told she cannot live in Bashford next year, in part because all other residence halls, except Stuyvesant Hall, place four students in each room instead of two.

“Now, we have to find two new people to live with,” Ballard said.

“And why do the freshmen get to walk to Thomson [Corner Store] in five seconds?”

Ballard added she does not think the community bathrooms in Bashford will help the freshmen bond more than they would in Smith East. She said she hardly ever

meets people in the Bashford bathrooms because there are only two stalls.

“I do have friends in the hall, but I definitely didn’t meet them in the bathroom,” she said.

Freshman Deanna Breaux also lives in Thomson, and she said she believes moving YearOne from Smith East will isolate the freshmen from experienced students.

“They’re not going to meet upperclassmen in their hall,” she said.

Another Thomson resident, sophomore Jessica Felicijan, said she participated in the 2007-2008 YearOne program. She said she likes Thomson and is disappointed she cannot live there next year.

However, she said she thinks moving the program might positively impact freshmen because Thomson has a friendlier community atmosphere than Smith.

“People will visit you more in Thomson if you leave your door open,” she said.

“It’s smaller, and there’s no

elevator, so you cross people on the stairs. And by sharing the bathroom, you definitely meet a lot more people.”

Freshman Rebecca Madison currently participates in YearOne and lives in Smith East.

She said she has enjoyed the program because it surrounds her with students who are facing similar challenges and dealing with similar issues, allowing them to interact and work together on a frequent basis.

Madison also said she thinks moving the program to Thomson and Bashford might create more community interaction because of the way the rooms are set up.

“When the door is open, you can see directly into rooms,” Madison said. “Because of this, you would know who is in their room, and you’d be more likely to go in and talk to the person. In Smith, you just see a hallway.”

Vice President for Student Affairs Craig Ullom expressed similar views to Blaszak on increasing space for YearOne.

“This will be an excellent opportunity to expand the number of spaces for YearOne participants in response to the high demand for this experience,” he said.

Ullom said the university plans to expand community floor space by changing two second and third floor student rooms in Bashford or Thomson.

After judging the impact this has on YearOne, the university will decide if the same will happen to other residence halls.


Blaszak said in addition to meeting RAs, YearOne students will receive support from upperclassmen the university will allow to live in Bashford and Thomson singles.

Blaszak said she will work with Ullom, Director of Residential Life Wendy Piper and others to brainstorm for more YearOne changes to increase support for new students, and the residence hall change is a process.

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Students to honor Darfur, Holocaust survivors

By Maggie Meloy
Transcript Reporter

On Monday, April 13, there will be a candle lighting ceremony honoring those who died in the Holocaust and Darfur, followed by first-hand accounts from Holocaust survivors.

John Koenigsberg, a child survivor of the Holocaust, will share his experience of being among the seven percent of Jewish children who survived in Nazi-occupied Europe; he was hidden by a Catholic family and arrived in the United States after the war at age 16.

The second speaker, Kasa Bayisin, is an Ethiopian Jew who fled to Israel as a refugee. She will speak about her experience as well as the role Israel is playing in the Darfur conflict, and how those who have fled have found refuge. She has worked at the Hebrew University as the Coordinator of Students Union as well as other youth leadership projects. She worked as program director at a Hebrew educational program called the "Ramah," a seminar intended for American youth traveling to Israel each summer. Her native language is Hebrew, but she is highly proficient in English.

Junior Lily Strumwasser, a history major, organized the event along with Jodi Kushins, Assistant Chaplain for Jewish Life, and sophomore Sally Goldstein-Elkin.

Strumwasser said she thinks it's important for students to know what happened during this time period.

"I hope a lot of students attend because in a decade, there will probably be no survivors left, and no one will be able to have first-hand accounts of survivors," Strumwasser said.

Goldstein-Elkin is the granddaughter of two survivors and has grown up in a strong Jewish community. She said she wanted to help organize the event because she knows many people who haven't met a Jewish person or learned about the Holocaust.

"I think it's important for people to hear the story of survivors," Elkin said. "It's one thing to read about the Holocaust, but it is extremely powerful to hear it from somebody who was actually there."

"There are people out there who actually deny that the Holocaust ever happened, so it is important for people to be informed, so we can fight the ignorance and intolerance that unfortunately still exists," Elkin said.



Photo by Ben Boynton

Students may be willing to overlook Thompson Store's high-priced groceries because it's the only eatery on campus with the most options.

High prices at Thomson Store burn holes in students' pockets

By Diane Bizzarro
Transcript Reporter

As the semester draws to a close, many students are finding their remaining food point supply puzzlingly low because of higher prices at Thomson Store.

Freshman Anne Flowers said her food points seem to have disappeared.

"I'm on the middle-sized food plan, and I go to Thomson often," she said. "I realize that the prices are higher there, but it still doesn't make sense that I only have 100 food points left."

Other students are more aware of their on-campus spending habits, as well as the dangers of buying too much at Thomson Store.

"I go there for a bottle of water and leave with crackers, gum, yogurt and who knows what else," said sophomore

Rachel Spetrino. "This would cost me maybe \$6 in the grocery store, but ends up being around 18 food points at Thomson."

The value of students' food points differ depending on their individual meal plan. According to the Ohio Wesleyan dining website, a "knight plan," which is the most expensive, also has the highest value. For \$4,460, a student will receive 3,860 food points - .87 food points for \$1. The "bishop plan" is the most popular. For \$4,030, it offers 3,300 food points - .81 food points for \$1. The "squire plan" offers the least amount of food points, offering only 2,540 for \$3,310 - .76 food points for \$1.

The price inflation at Thomson is real. A 14 oz. box of Cheerios costs \$7.99 at Thomson store, while an 18 oz. box at Kroger goes

"The elevated prices at Thomson Store are necessary to balance out the cheaper dining experiences offered by the ten other eateries on campus."

-- Cheryl Marcum,
Thomson Store manager

for \$4.19 - equaling roughly \$6.08 under the "squire plan."

Cheryl Marcum, Manager of Thomson Store, attributes the high price tags to a need to bring in revenue for Dining Services.

"The elevated prices at Thomson Store are necessary to balance out the cheaper dining experiences offered by the ten other eat-

eries on campus," she said.

Smith Dining Hall offers a cheaper price for a buffet-style experience.

"It costs Smith much more than \$6 per person to make all of the food there, but it still only costs each student six food points," Marcum said. "Someone has to be making the money, and that's me."

Even with the higher prices, students continue to frequent the store.

"I know that my food points are prematurely low because I go to Thomson too much," said freshman Tim Carney. "But a lot of time, it's the only place open on the weekends. Plus, it has food I like."

Because Thomson Store is situated in the middle of the dorms on the residential side, students don't have to walk far or bear the elements when it is cold out. Of all eating locations on campus, Thomson Store is also open longest and latest.


Thomson Store also provides more variety.

"We really try to appeal to all students," Marcum said. "UNFI Organics is one of our two main food vendors, and they help to supply us with many vegetarian, organic and gluten-free options."

"Thomson is the only place I can go on campus to get quality vegetarian and organic food," freshman Eric Guildenberg, a vegetarian, said.


A shortage of cash in student bank accounts also seems to play a major role in compliance with Thomson's inflation.

"I'm willing to pay the ridiculous prices at Thomson because they're food points, and my parents pay for them," Carney said. "I just don't have the cash to buy food off campus or from a grocery store."



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Stereotypes busted!

Women’s House challenges preconceived feminist stereotypes

By **Brittany Stojisavljevic**
Transcript Reporter

The “Who We Are” program allowed students to make signs about their identification as feminists and foster discussion about what “feminism” means.

Students gathered on the JAYWalk on April 1 as a part of the program with a variety of signs, such as “I am a feminist, and I love men,” “I’m a feminist, and I listen to rap” and “I am a feminist, and I watch *What Not To Wear*.”

Sophomore Morgan Payne, a member of the Women’s House (WoHo), put the program together. She said the signs were designed to say who feminists are. Payne said she hoped to overcome many of the stereotypes associated with being a feminist.

“I wanted to do something that would show people that women and feminists are very different people,” Payne said. “I wanted to show that a label doesn’t tell you everything about a person. Some of the things you’d find out are surprisingly familiar.”

Payne said participants also encouraged students on the JAYWalk to make signs.

Senior Katherine Atkinson said she had friends in the theater department make signs because she felt it was cool idea which helped to reconcile different parts of self.

“People have this preconception of feminists being man-hating and bra-burning,” Atkinson said. “But we want to be mothers and sell Mary-Kay too. We’re just normal human beings. Feminism is not a huge, philosophical leap.”

Senior Sara Nienaber said she became involved in the “Who We Are” program because she liked how it was an easy way of expressing self.

“It was a great way to break down stereotypes,” Nienaber said. “It helped to spread the message of telling people to live life and be open about who they are. People will be more accepting that way because they won’t just see you as an outsider but a person like them.”

Nienaber said she felt the discussion during the program was positive as a whole.

“People were getting involved without being provoked,” Nienaber said. “They were having conversations. We got some closet feminists being active, and there were some people that became aware of perhaps being a feminist, so hopefully they will



WoHo members pose as the four feminist stereotypes: junior Amber Cole as the bra-burning feminist (top left), senior Whitney Smith as the domestic housewife (top right), senior Meredith Brown as the tomboy (bottom left) and junior Joanna Van Sickle as the floozy.

become involved on campus to help continue the movement.”

Atkinson also said she felt the OWU community is more accepting of feminism as a whole. Nienaber and Atkinson both said they felt feminists are still viewed negatively by the media and society as a whole.

Payne said she felt society doesn’t know how to react to feminism anymore.

“Many people think that feminism is about women being superior to men, and they begin to look at it grudgingly,” Payne

said.

“However, more people are starting to figure out it’s about equality. So, I think many people aren’t sure what to think because they hear mixed messages.”

Payne said she would do the program again in the future.

“People had a lot of fun with it,” Payne said. “I’d like to get different people on campus to participate.”

The signs are currently hanging up in the Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.

South Korean professor to offer new perspective to OWU in fall

By **Mary Slebodnik**
Transcript Correspondent

Students may deepen their understanding of comparative politics, political economy and East Asian studies in the fall of 2009 when JiYoung Choi becomes an OWU professor.

Danielle Hamill, chairperson of the Academic Policy Committee, said the APC presented the politics and government department’s proposal to hire a new professor because it wanted to offer a broader world view of

politics and economics.

“In international studies, we had big parts of the world we weren’t able to address,” Hamill said.

APC presented the proposal to the university administration, which approved the request.

Craig Ramsay, chairperson of the politics and government department, said one of Choi’s strongest qualifications for this full-time professorship came from his ability to show students how East Asian countries influence world politics and economy.

“We wanted to hire a specialist in that area,” he said. “We were looking for someone who did something outside of North America and Europe.”

Choi’s East Asian perspective comes from his South Korean background. He received his undergraduate and masters’ degrees there and came to the United States in 2001. Ramsay said he thinks Choi will be able to make the ten percent of Ohio Wesleyan students from abroad feel more welcome by sharing their distinction as international

students.

He said Choi will help students make sense of how the world has become economically and politically interconnected.

“The world has become more globalized in terms of commerce and travel,” he said. “We want to emphasize the international aspects of our education.”

Ramsay said Choi’s graduate work at Purdue University also made him a prime candidate for the position because he gained experience teaching

undergraduate classes as a professor instead of a teaching assistant. Choi is expected to receive his PhD in comparative politics from Purdue this May.

Ramsay said Choi will also teach introductory politics and government courses when he arrives in the fall.

Sophomore Kyle Herman, a double major in international studies and politics and government, participated in the group of professors and students who reviewed the candidates competing with Choi for the job. He said some

of the candidates were focused on professional research, and he was glad the university hired Choi instead.

“He seems very committed to teaching,” Herman said.

He said he appreciates the department’s efforts to hire someone with a perspective outside of North America and Europe.

“It’s easy to get content with your own world view,” Herman said. “The Asian countries are rising powers. We’re going to have a lot more interaction.”

The Office of the President would like to announce a renewed opportunity for leadership and service on our campus President’s Club. This organization, a source of Ohio Wesleyan pride for over 20 years, is returning to campus with an increased sense of purpose.

Members of the President’s Club will serve the University at important functions and also at Pritchard House events. The benefits are many and include leadership development opportunities, occasions to network, and membership in a selective organization.

Applications may be found in the President’s Office, Mowry Alumni Center, the Hamilton-Williams Information Desk, or on the Ohio Wesleyan University web page by clicking on About OWU and then the Office of the President beginning Monday, April 6. All applications are due by Monday, April 20, and a selection announcement will be made before the end of the school year.



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SAGE lipsyncs to raise money and awareness

By Kelley King
Transcript Reporter

Students belted out their favorite lyrics last Thursday in Bishop Café for SAGE’s (student awareness group for epilepsy) first annual lip-syncing contest.

Students paid \$3 for admission to participate individually or in groups and helped raise \$80 for the Epilepsy Foundation of Central Ohio. SAGE also sold Epilepsy Foundation bracelets.

Three judges evaluated the seven performances based on costume, performance and lyrics. The three judges were freshmen Corey Turner, junior Shannon Sedgwick and senior Chris Edwards.

“I have a few friends who have epilepsy, and one of my younger cousins was prone to seizures when he was growing up,” Sedgwick said. “This group and event really touched my heart.”

The seven performances varied from the Spice Girls, Beyonce, *NSYNC and Mariah Carey.

SAGE was founded this year at Ohio Wesleyan and has been raising awareness on epilepsy for the OWU community.

Freshman Alexis Williams, president of SAGE, started the organization at OWU to help promote the rising impact of epilepsy.

“Epilepsy is a rising disorder in the United States, and I wanted to reach out to students on campus that either have epilepsy, have had seizures or have relatives that have been affected by seizures and know that they are supported.”

SAGE is comprised of ten members, four of which have epilepsy.

Freshmen Jessica Conroy also wanted to promote epilepsy awareness and help raise more money for the Epilepsy Foundation of Central Ohio.

The Epilepsy Foundation of Central Ohio guarantees that people with seizures are able to participate in any experiences.

The Epilepsy Foundation also works to prevent, control and cure epilepsy through services, education and research.



Photo by Shafalika Jackson

Senior Devon Walcott and junior Anita Marfo perform Mariah Carey’s “Whenever You Call” in SAGE’s first annual lip-syncing contest. Marfo and Walcott won third place.

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GOOGLE

Google Apps will provide students with Google Calendar, Google Docs, Google Talk and Gmail with 7,500 megabytes of storage for each account – currently the Webmail interface offers student 20MB of storage while the faculty receive 100MB.

“[Students, faculty and staff] will have to work really hard to ever fill their quota,” said LaMar, who helped create the Webmail interface, which he now regards as “junk.” The fact that so many students are already familiar with Gmail will make the transition easier, LaMar said.

“Is better than anything that we could do internally. For people who use webmail it’s a huge improvement,” he said. Like standard Gmail accounts, the University’s new interface will be available on mobile devices as well and will even have the entire OWU email directory downloaded, so users only have to type in a first name and scroll through options

to find who they’re looking for.

LaMar expects that Google Apps will enhance academic possibilities too. While it’s not a learning management system like Blackboard, applications like Google Docs could potentially act as a complementary system.

“I can envision Google Docs fundamentally changing the dynamic of group projects and collaboration. There could be a huge positive impact on collaborative class work,” LaMar said.

One hesitation some students have about Gmail is its privacy and advertising.

According to LaMar and associate professor of Chemistry Dale Brugh, member of the Task Force’s four-person Gmail sub-committee, the version of Google Apps being installed is was created for higher education institutions with those concerns in mind.

“We have a contract with Google that will ensure that [breaches of pri-

vacy and persistent advertising] won’t happen,” Brugh said.

LaMar also reassured concerned university users.

“The important distinction here is that this is not the conventional Gmail service, it is a system that they’ve set up for OWU. Part of Google knowing the higher education environment is that they took away the ad driven activity,” LaMar said.

The installation is anticipated to be quick and easy, even “seamless” as described by Lamar.

Three great things are that we’re not the first institution to do this. Google has great cookie-cutter directions on how to do this, allowing them to anticipate problems before they happen,” said LaMar, who will demo the Gmail interface and answer questions heard concerns from students tonight at 8:00 p.m. in the Benes Rooms.

ASSAULT

“don’t you go back to your own country if you’re going to lie?””

Cummins denied being drunk, claiming she hadn’t even finished a full drink. According to the police report, alcohol was involved.

With the help of a Clancey’s employee, Cummins was thrown out.

Pohoomul said she simply wanted to call it a night and called Public Safety (PS) for a ride. When PS arrived, they questioned Pohoomul, who by that time had an ice pack on her forehead, and the Delaware Police Department (DPD) was called in for backup.

“We were contacted that the victim needed a ride home,” Director of Public Safety Bob Wood said. “Once our officer became aware of [the assault], he called

the Delaware Police Department.”

Wood added that PS normally wouldn’t be involved with an off-campus incident like this, but under certain circumstances, officers will offer assistance in such cases.

“DPD questioned Caryn, who wasn’t far from Clancey’s, and I on what happened,” Pohoomul said. According to the police report, Cummins was arrested at 1:30 a.m. on Sunday, March 29 and charged with one count of assault.

Pohoomul said DPD had given her two options of either filing for an assault charge or dropping the charge and have Cummings receive a \$200 penalty.

“I decided to drop the charge,” Pohoomul said. “It was unrealistic for me, as an international student, to wait for a

court hearing that had no official date. Once school is over, I’m going back to India, so it simply wasn’t possible.”

Cummins was summoned to appear in court on Friday, April 3, and she said she plead not guilty to assault.

“It was just one little pop,” she said. “It wasn’t like I really wanted to hurt her. I was just irritated.”

Cummins was an employee of Chartwells for six years before being laid off last year. Cummins said it was for giving an OWU student a hug.

Despite several phone calls, The Transcript wasn’t able to contact Steve Ishmael, the executive chef, whom Cummins said fired her.

NIGHT

clear, night where the big group of people lit their candles and chanted against everything that had been talked about.

People who did not attend the speaking part of the night were seen watching the march to the Peace and Justice House, some admitting that they would

not have been able to emotionally handle it.

APC decision may “majorly” affect student scheduling

By Brad Russell
Transcript Reporter

The word “should” is used everyday. Students should do their homework, should go to class and should do their laundry. “Should” is an innocuous word, and even the faculty Academic Policy Committee (APC) has been thinking about ‘should’ and what it can mean to students.

At Monday’s faculty meeting, Danielle Hamill, associate professor of zoology, spoke for the APC and said the APC is proposing a change to the course catalog that would require students to declare a major by the end of their sophomore year.

Currently, the course catalog is ambiguous about the deadline for the declaration of a major. On page 43 of the 2008-09 catalog, it reads, “Students should declare their major by the end of their sophomore year,” which suggests students are only encouraged to declare their majors by their sophomore year. The APC would like to change the language so students are required to choose their major by the end of the sophomore year.

The explicit requirement was in the former language of the catalog, but it was unknown by the APC why it had changed. The hope of the committee is to add clarity to the catalog and enable students to have a more definite timeline.

The APC is not proposing there be any punitive consequences if the students don’t declare by the end of their sophomore year, but the committee hopes the change in wording will be enough to more strongly encourage major declaration.

Currently at Ohio Wesleyan, 45 seniors on track to graduate in May have not declared a major.

Some of the faculty have posed questions about the viability of implementing the changes to the course cata-

log. Some issues were raised at the March 30 meeting. To declare a major, a student has to obtain a B in one class in the department, which some students may not do until after the sophomore year. Also, some professors felt sophomore year might be too early.

Craig Ramsay, head of the politics and government department, appeared to be in favor of imposing a more definite date for majors. He said that the P&G department has had a hard time deciding what courses and how many sections to offer because there is not a definite count of politics majors.

Students are cautious of what the changes would bring.

Junior Amanda Gomez remembers her experiences as a freshman, and said she thinks that instead of changing the wording, academic advisors need to be more helpful.

“I needed more guidance,” Gomez said. “When I told my advisor what classes I wanted to take, she would say, ‘that sounds fun.’”

Kelly O’Donnell, a sophomore, thinks that requiring a declared major by the end of sophomore year is a bad idea.

“Some students may not have narrowed down what they want to do by their sophomore year, so I think it’s a bad idea to force students to declare a major,” O’Donnell said.

Gomez said she also thinks requiring a major declaration may “freak some students out.”

Sophomore Scott Bobbitt said he thinks there’d be pressure either way. Regardless of whether or not the language is changed, a student has to declare a major to graduate. Bobbitt also said he wonders how they would enforce the policy change.

The APC has currently removed the proposal from the floor and has taken the debate back into committee to discuss the issues brought up at the meeting.

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Opinion

Quote of the Week: “This was not a malicious act or any intentional breaking of the law. It was a mistake, an error of judgment...but if we can learn from them and move on, that helps us all.” – Carol DelPropost, Asst. Vice President of Admission and Financial Aid

Censorship unmerited, irresponsible

The removal of roughly 275 copies of The Transcript from the Hamilton Williams Campus Center on Sunday, April 5, by at least one junior staff member from the Office of Admissions hurts student journalists two fold.

First, because we are a staff of Ohio Wesleyan students, we value the support of university administrators, faculty and staff. The removal of The Transcript by a member of the campus community does nothing to foster a stronger university, but rather impedes our mutual progress. Second, and perhaps most importantly, newspaper theft is effective censorship in direct violation of the rights guaranteed under the First Amendment – perhaps the most important 45 words a journalist will ever read.

“50 cheers for the college years” and “Dorm surveillance in hands of administrators” were the two stories which raised concerns for some in the Admission Office, according to Assistant Vice President of Admission and Financial Aid Carol DelPropost. These stories were written and chosen for the front page because they were relevant and because they interest and directly affect some, if not all, students.

The 50 Day Club is a widely popular, *legal* activity that many students are interested in. Our intent was to initiate discussion on our opinion page about the story, not be censored because of it. As for the surveillance camera story, this proposal could become a reality for students next semester, and it is our responsibility as a newspaper to keep our readers informed so they can reach empowered decisions and opinions. Perhaps the irony didn’t strike the Admissions staff member/s that their act of censorship would become a blemish on the face of the very thing they were trying to preserve and showcase.

In their state of concern, the Admissions staff member/s overlooked the potential benefits of highlighting The Transcript to a parent if the adult raised concerns about the paper’s content or campus life. It is one of the university’s oldest traditions and a symbol of the university’s respect for the First Amendment. We hope that no parent would find that upsetting or unfitting for their child.

Furthermore, if the staff member/s was, indeed, troubled by our editorial decision they should have taken advantage of the opportunity to write to our paper, an opportunity first established by Joseph B. Battelle in 1867 and reprinted in the first editorial of this semester: “[If] we are to be rivals, let us not thrust and parry in the uncertain darkness of misrepresentation, jealousy and suspicion, but let us stand forth to the contest in the clear light of broad open day.” If those responsible for removing the papers from Ham-Will wish to write an apology, or defense, for their actions, we welcome their submission as we have for 142 years.

An additional, and often overlooked, consequence of newspaper theft is the unintentional breach of newspaper/advertiser contract, especially with free newspapers like The Transcript. Every business or organization that advertised in The Transcript last issue – which included an ad for OWU Baccalaureate 2009 – has lost money because nearly 275 of their ads never reached their intended market. We are now responsible for that difference.

Finally, it should be noted that the correspondence and conversation with the Admissions Office, particularly Carol DelPropost, on this issue has been nothing short of professional and is greatly appreciated by The Transcript staff and our advisor. We understand the importance of successful admissions events, especially under added economic stress, and truly value the work of the Admissions Office.



Mike DiBiasio
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European summit discusses global econimic policy

By Alexandra Panait
Transcript Columnist

Apart from its viability, scope and force behind the military alliance, the controversial G-20 London Summit was bold.

Once more, its Trans-Atlantic structure was embraced through its eastward expansion in the Balkans. Furthermore, the newly-returned French leadership and a vehement U.S. voice in Afghanistan seemed to announce a new stage for the alliance.

Does the formality in paper and materialization through new membership increase the voice for an alliance confronting ethnic conflicts in the Caucasian region and Moldova? What are the real reasons behind the French reinstatement of its military position and the U.S.-driven policies rather than national interests, strengthening of relative dominance and credibility of Western powers in front of intangible pressure from Russia that demands common international response?

The 2009 NATO summit came as a culmination and reiteration of a new U.S. leadership and persistence in Central Asia. Following the American supervision and emphasis, NATO is driven in providing an additional 3,000 troops for maintaining the presidential elections in Afghanistan.

Echoing what seems a narrowed U. S. interest, NATO’s Secretary General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer underlined the maintenance of the alliance objective and its further project of establishing a financial source for restructuring the Afghan army.

Under the pretext of an ambiguous terrorist threat -- a subjective concept framed easily according to the context and state’s interests -- the U.S. demanded an increased European military support for the Afghan effort, most notably from Germany’s position. Through an institutional manpower and cumulative military force, NATO’s present objective for members’ security is directly linked to the Afghan stability.

The relatively weak economic and military position of singular European states in rapport with the U.S. reinforce the structure American dominance in NATO leadership at the expense of national interests or a unitary inward looking Europe, avoiding overextension in the Middle East.

Despite the accumulating European vision on the role of the alliance in regions outside the Trans-Atlantic common interests, a vehement American position in both military and political domains force the NATO restructuring according to mainly U.S. interests, where membership real priorities are secondary. A U.S. interest in a region, from which it has much to gain, is veiled in an institution where European interests are locked.

Specific objectives were launched in Strasbourg. Based on a joint agreement of the 28 NATO members, the summit culminated with the Strasbourg/Kehl Declaration of values, tenets and the future projects of the alliance

At the center of the fundamental principles of alliance came the security indivisibility tenet, guaranteeing cohesion for all the structure’s activities. Under such principle, the security

objective for members’ borders was prioritized to any other interest of the alliance.

Further consolidation of the military alliance came through the French return to NATO, a move either forced by the circumstance of balancing the rising pressure from Russia or the state interest to strengthen its international image at both the European and Trans-Atlantic levels.

With the EU, OSCE and the European Council, NATO reinforces the common values and approach for maintaining the security and peace of the Trans-Atlantic Community.

In agreement with the human rights, sovereignty principle and territorial integrity, such principles embedded in the Strasbourg/Kehl Declaration, NATO is refurbishing its Western-oriented social and political values under which membership and the common approach to the international system are based. NATO thus engages itself to the ensuring both Afghanistan and Pakistan are not used as terrorist grounds undermining the state securities.

Controversial sections of the Strasbourg/Kehl Declaration addressed the alliance’s commitment to the Balkans.

Following a successful outcome of the KFOR mission in the region, the alliance re-stressed its commitment to security and stability of the critical region. The Balkan experience of common military and political efforts for stability, as seen by the positive outcome of the EU involvement for the Kosovan autonomy under the 1244 UN Resolution, indicates a global approach for coordinating civil and military efforts in dealing with crisis.

Continuing the 2008 Bucharest accession talks with Albania and Croatia, the summit officially extended its membership to Western Balkan country.

A historic moment for strengthening the Western structures in a volatile region such as the Balkans, the decision sparked major protests in France and Croatia.

The short-term setbacks in dual membership of NATO and EU in Central and South Eastern European countries provide a clear example for the newly entered NATO members of institutional limitation and overemphasis of countries longing for real materialization of Western structures.

The Balkan countries’ harsh realization that NATO membership does not secure a near-EU status, casting aside economic and political divisions, exacerbated anti-NATO in Strasbourg and the 300 individual gathering in Zagreb against the ant imperialistic action of the West.

While Albania is celebrating its final acceptance as a member of the Western elitist group, Croatia points towards the loss of the alliance’s overall motivation and viability on the European ground.

A rising discontent over the capitalist drive and interests exerted through institutions is gaining momentum in the context of current economic disparity. The West’s locking the weak countries on the Eastern side of former Cold War line in secondary and third status to economic and military wars benefits only a few.

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Arts & Entertainment

Seniors prepare works for annual art show

Museum assistant affirms importance of viewing young artists' work

By Jen Shepard
Transcript Correspondent

After four years, senior art majors will present their art-work at the university's eighth annual Student Fine Arts Show on April 18.

This year's exhibit will feature a variety of pieces ranging from paintings and ceramics to metal works and graphic designs.

Members of the Department of Fine Arts review a variety of work submitted by seniors to determine which pieces will be displayed at the show.

Pieces are occasionally removed, but most are accepted into the show or set aside for modifications.

First Assistant of the Ross Art Museum Tammy Wallace has been involved in coordinating the show since it first opened in 2002.

Wallace said the show is a great chance for senior fine arts majors to highlight their best work.

"The show is the equivalent of a senior thesis paper or a senior recital," Wallace said. "It should be viewed as the culmination of four years of education in the arts, and hopefully, the seniors involved present only their most accomplished pieces. It's a chance for their families and friends to gather and appreciate all of their achievements."

Senior fine arts major Chris McKendry, who will be displaying graphic designs and paintings in the show, said he is looking forward to seeing how people react to his work.

"Unlike other academic assignments, preparing for the show has been a professional application of my skills," McKendry said.

Director of the Ross Art Museum Justin Kronewetter, who served as the show's faculty advisor in previous years, retired from teaching at the end of last year and will no longer be involved in coordinating the show, but is still involved in the event in an advisory capacity.

Kronewetter has met with some students to offer his advice.

Pieces from the exhibit will also be available for purchase at the end of the show.

"I personally have tried to make a purchase each year from at least one senior," Wallace said. "I like to think it helps them a little as they prepare to graduate."

Wallace said she encourages all students to take the time to see the exhibit.

"It would be a shame for anyone to miss this chance to see young artists at the beginning of their careers," Wallace said. "You never know who is going to be the next big thing."

The event will take place at the Ross Art Museum and is open to the public.

The exhibit will remain open until May 10 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m.



Yung Joc, step show provides aid to student retention fund

By Kelly Gardner
Transcript Reporter

This past Saturday was the 11th annual Step Show. All the proceeds went to the Black Student Retention Fund, which was est. in 1990's to help minority students who needed emergency funds. The Step Show is Student Union for Black Awareness's annual fundraiser for the fund.

Terree Stevenson, Director of Multicultural Student Affairs said this show was exceptional. Everyone in SUBA worked extremely hard and that all of their hard work truly paid off.

"The whole crew that helped put the show on did an amazing job," Stevenson said. "There were around 300 people that came out to support the retention fund which was great."

Vice President of SUBA Monique Cheery said there was close to \$2,000 raised, and is attributed to the fact that this year has been pretty different than the years past.

"This year's Step Show was different from the last because, it was the first that incorporated non NPHC greek organizations," Cheery said. "It was a Step Show and Stroll Show in one. I think Step Show went very well. Way better than we expected. I enjoyed myself."

Artist Jaziel Robinson, better known as Yung Joc was the entertainment after the Step Show par-



Photos by Ben Boynton

"The stepping was awesome, they came into the audience which was great. Yung Jock was out of control. There was a great vibe coming from the audience and it couldn't have been any better," said Sophomore David Hunter III.

ticipants. He said because he lived in Atlanta, he was familiar to the culture and history of stepping, and thought this would be a great event to attend.

Joc said he wouldn't be doing all of the touring that he's been doing if he didn't have the support of his fans or friends that have been traveling with him.

"I have never taken a vacation since I started out," Joc said. "If I didn't have my friends here with me I don't know how much touring I would be doing. I've grossed more than \$10 million, and don't think I would be where I am without them."

Joc said his tours have been great learning experiences on what he kind of music people like to hear.

He is scheduled to drop his newest album some-

time this year, and is excited to give people another album.

"I have been working on this album for a little bit now," Joc said. "I have been lucky enough to call the shots in this album. It will be more like my first album that was released in 2006. It really reflects where I'm at right now."

If you think my boy FloRida can party, you haven't seen anything yet. He is actually featured on my new album.

Joc said he has played hundreds of venues but his favorite, besides OWU, was Japan, because when he was younger he always dreamed he'd perform to an audience that he couldn't see.

"When I was in Japan everything just clicked," Joc said. "I always knew if I made it big I wouldn't be able to see anyone in the crowd. When I was there, I was looking out and had an out of body experience and realized that no one spoke English but they were all singing along. I felt like I had brought people together."

Sophomore David Hunter III said he thought it was an exceptional show that was very well attended.

"It was an awesome concert," Hunter said. "The stepping was awesome, they came into the audience which was great. Yung Joc was out of control. There was a great vibe coming from the audience and it couldn't have been any better. It was a good representation of the diversity here at Ohio Wesleyan."

1. Reach the Globe!

Come and watch OWU and our sister schools show off their talent! The third annual Global Outreach Show is going to be a night of singing, dancing, rapping and anything else students can do!

The first Global Outreach Show was during my freshman year. I remember it because I was in it! A few of my friends and I put together a dance routine. It wasn't great enough to win first place (second or third either!), but we had a good time!

Tickets are \$7 if you're coming alone, or \$10 if you bring a friend! I must say, this show puts the FUN in FUNdraiser! All of the proceeds will be going toward the Ghana Student Education Fund and other non-profit organizations.

So get some friends together Saturday night at 7 p.m., and get on out to Jemison Auditorium over at Sanborn Hall. See you there!

2. Yom HaShoah

On a more serious note, Hillel, Sisters United, Black Men of the Future and Rafiki Wa Africa will be gathering for a candle lighting ceremony in honor of Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Memorial Day. The ceremony is to remember those who died in the Nazi Holocaust and in Darfur.

On a campus full of so much diversity, we never know who may have been affected by these acts of genocide. Of the things we support, this should definitely be one of them.

Following the ceremony, John Koenigsberg, a child survivor of the Holocaust, will be sharing his story.

Also speaking will be Kasa Bayisin, an Ethiopian Jew who fled to Israel as a refugee.

Come hear the powerful accounts of these individuals as they give their perspectives on the effects of genocide.

Monday, Corns 312, 7-9 p.m.

3. Poetry Break

It's poetry month! Everyday during lunch, Beehive Books will be hosting a poetry reading. Yep, you read it right -- a poetry reading! Grab your lunch and head on over to Beehive, located on Sandusky Street. You could even buy your lunch there. Check out the scheduled readings for the rest of this week and next:

Thursday, April 9	Tom Slayton Robert Burns
Friday, April 10	Jerry Kelly Robert Creely
Saturday, April 11	Vicki Lefevre E. St. Vincent Millay
Monday, April 13	Bob Flanagan Philip Larkin
Tuesday, April 14	Dan Bennington John Donne
Wednesday, April 15	Charles Wilson William Butler Yeats
Thursday, April 16	Steve Davenport
Friday, April 17	Brent Carson Carl Sandburg



SHADE'S TOP3

Never know what to do because "there's just too much going on" or "there's never anything going on"?

This weekly column will point you to the top three things to do at OWU and beyond.

If you have any suggestions for what to include in next week's Top3, shoot an email to owunews@owu.edu. w/subject: Top3

Bishops Sports

Bishops suffer defeat at hands of Big Red



Photo by Ben Boynton

Junior Craig Aronoff runs down the field against a Big Red defender in Sunday's 17-9 loss to Denison. The loss was OWU's first to Denison at Selby Field since 2000, ending a six-game home win streak. It was also Denison's largest margin of victory in the series since 1994.

By Colin Magruder
Transcript Reporter

Over 3,000 people were in attendance on Sunday to see the Bishops fall to Denison in an NCAC contest.

“I want to thank all of the fans and the OWU community for coming to the game; it was a great atmosphere to play in front of,” coach Sean Ryan said. “Unfortunately, we didn’t deliver on our end.”

The Big Red jumped to an early lead when Alex Hardt scored a minute-and-a-half into the game, giving the visitors the early lead.

A few minutes later, Denison added two more to go up 3-0. Then, sophomore defender Tony D’Abarno ran the length of the field and whipped the ball into the net to

put OWU on the board.

The Big Red then rang up seven consecutive goals to give Denison a 10-1 lead after one period.

“We were excited and prepared to play, but we did not execute and played on our heels too much,” Ryan said.

“They applied pressure, and we felt it and didn’t apply any back,” assistant coach Kyle Olson said.

The team settled down a little bit in the second period, opening up the scoring when junior Rob Young cut the lead to 10-2. Denison answered back with another and went into the half with a 13-3 advantage.

The Bishops came out of the locker room ready to play.

“We were able to regroup and talk about things that

needed to be adjusted,” Ryan said. “We were very fired up.”

Junior midfielder Craig Aronoff began the scoring for the Bishops, cutting the lead to 13-4, and after a Hardt goal, the Bishops put up four unanswered points to make the score 14-8.

But the lead was too much for the Bishops to overcome, and Denison won the game by a score of 17-9.

When asked what the team took from the game, Ryan said, “We put ourselves in a position that we have to perform at the highest level and execute. There are five games left, and anything can happen. We control our own destiny.”

“Our backs are against the wall, and we have to get back to playing OWU lacrosse,” Olson said.

Spartans caught watching feet as Heels run away with title

THOUGHTS
FROM THE
THIRD ROW
WITH DREW LENOX



When North Carolina was knocked out of the NCAA Tournament last year, it was assumed it was the end of a college run by a great group of Tar Heels.

But when just about everybody decided to come back to school, UNC became the dominant favorite to climb the ladder and cut down the nets. So, it was no surprise when Roy Williams’ squad started the season as the first unanimous preseason number one team.

They were the best team with the greatest group of talent and experience and, despite a few losses in conference play and slipping up in the ACC Tournament, many thought it was only a question of who they would beat on the road to the championship game.

North Carolina made their run to the title game look easy, with its smallest margin of victory being 12.

Any questions about their defense were erased by only allowing one team, Gonzaga, to score more than 70 points. The Bulldogs put up 77, but it was due in part to the large lead UNC had.

While North Carolina’s run was not shocking at all, the other side of the bracket was a little more up for grabs. Between teams like Connecticut, Louisville and Memphis, not too many people were picking the Michigan State Spartans to meet up with the Tar Heels 90 minutes from home.

Even though they were regular season Big 10 champs and earned a two-seed, Michigan State wasn’t garnering much respect from around the country. The truth is, the Spartans had more victories over teams in the tournament than any other.

Over the course of the season, they defeated Oklahoma State, Texas, Kansas, Purdue, Michigan and Wisconsin. They also beat Ohio State twice and put down Minnesota three times.

They also were able to defeat the only real tournament snub and eventual NIT Champion, Penn State.

The only team that has a legitimate claim to being left out is the one that is good enough to win the NIT. If a team loses in the NIT, there is at least one other team that was more deserving of a bid.

Of the 32 games Michigan State played before the Big Dance, 17 of them were against teams that made the tournament.

So, after a season of tough games and times where injuries plagued the team, Michigan State was sent

to the Midwest region. There were brackets that had the Spartans losing to the USC/Boston College winner, Kansas, West Virginia, Wake Forest and Louisville.

The path of Tom Izzo’s team was a little bit harder than North Carolina’s. After beating Robert Morris, they had to beat the Pac 10 tournament champions.

For that victory, they earned a game against the Big 12 regular season, and defending national champions, and then were privileged enough to play Big East champs, and overall number one seed, Louisville.

Michigan State played tough defense and was able to win close games in a march to Detroit to take on the Huskies of Connecticut.

In yet another underdog role, the Spartans beat another number one seed and advanced to the national championship. They had to be hoping for a third straight Big East opponent and a Tar Heel defeat.

Why those wishes? Well, if the game turned out to be UNC and MSU, it would be the tournament’s fourth rematch game from the regular season. The other three, Louisville over Morehead State, MSU over Kansas and Villanova over Pitt, all went the way of the winner of the first game.

However, the first game between Michigan State and North Carolina on Dec. 3 was one that all fans of

the Spartans had desperately tried to forget. The final score of that game was 98-63.

Most of the people on television, all just trying to get people to watch the game on CBS, said this time it would be different.

On a side note, the coverage of the tournament by CBS was not nearly as good as it has been in the past. In recent years, there have been extra CBS channels in obscure places on the channel guide, where viewers could watch any game in the first couple of rounds. This year, CBS showed one game and just ran scores of the other games across the top.

They also didn’t always properly cover the best games being played at that moment. There were times where games, like Oklahoma State vs. Pittsburgh, were under two minutes with the game close, and CBS was showing a game with eight to ten minutes left.

The people trying to hype the national championship talked about how Spartan star Goran Suton didn’t play in the first game and how MSU was a much better team than they were four months ago.

Watching the game, North Carolina jumped out to an early lead and never looked back. But as much as some analysts made out of the domination in the championship, it turned out to be very similar to the first matchup.

The highlights of this game were

the 55 points that UNC scored in the first half, and the 21 turnovers by MSU in the game. But in the first game, the Tar Heels scored 53 in the first half and turned the Spartans over 21 times.

In the first game, Hansbrough had 25 points, Lawson and Ellington had 17 and Thompson and Davis both added 10. This game, Lawson led the scoring with 21, Ellington put in 19, Hansbrough had 18 and Thompson scored 9.

A big deal was made of Ty Lawson’s record eight steals in the title game, but in December, the star point guard recorded seven steals to go along with his eight assists. Suton did score 17 points, and they did increase their shooting percentages from the field, from the line and from behind the arc.

But it wasn’t enough for the Spartans to avoid a 17 point loss. The best team was crowned champion on Monday night, and there is nobody arguing that.

It is not too often that everybody from a great team who came up short passes up professional dollars to stay in school and take another shot. However, this group of players did. They came in as the best team in the nation and finished the same.

While the fans cheer and the players rejoice on their way out of the collegiate ranks, nobody is probably more grateful than Roy Williams.

OWU Coach’s Corner

Ryan readies team for big rivalry weekend

By Colin Magruder
Transcript Reporter

Years at OWU: 10

Coaching Career:
--Assistant at Rochester Institute of Technology in 1998
--Assistant at OWU in 1999

Hometown: Manlius, NY

Graduate of: RIT in 1997

Playing Career:
-- 3-year starter at attack
-- Played in North-South All Star Game as a senior
-- Lost to OWU his sophomore year in NCAA tournament and scored a goal in that game

Favorite Class: Mass Media

Biggest Influence:
“My family - just the unconditional love and support I receive from my wife and child. I want to be the best I can be for them.”

Best Vacation: Celebrating the Millennium in Lake Placid and going skiing

Favorite part of OWU:
“The people, from the



Sean Ryan
Coach: Men’s Lacrosse

professors to the students, to the administration. It’s a family type of atmosphere, and people look out for each other.”

Goals for the rest of the year:
“To continue the foundation of building the team type of atmosphere that started in the fall and carry on in the future. We also want to win out the remainder of our games and get the program’s 500th win.”

Favorite TV Show: “Top Chef”

Favorite Movie: “The Godfather”

Favorite Book: “Friday Night Lights”

Favorite Team: Syracuse

What’s important about rivalry weekend:
“A chance to see a lot of former players back in town and being a part of such a special rivalry that has meant so much to so many.”

Serves on: All-American Committee for Division III, IMCLA Coaches Committee, works as PE teacher for badminton and racquetball, fall game manager

Favorite Lacrosse player: Tom Marechek

Coaching Awards:
-- 4-time NCAC coach of the year
-- Head coach in 2000 when team scored 314 goals (OWU all-time record)
-- Ranked in the top 10 in Division III of winningest active coaches by percentage

NCAA Tournament Appearances: 6: ‘00, ‘03, ‘05, ‘06, ‘07, ‘08

NCAC Conference Champions: 6: ‘00, ‘01, ‘03, ‘04, ‘05, ‘07

All-Americans: 21

New faces aid women’s tennis

By Clay Davis
Transcript Reporter

It usually hurts a sports team to lose four of their six starters from the previous year. But for OWU Women’s Tennis, the team seems to be thriving with the new starters and new faces.

With half the roster being freshmen, it would seem that having a winning season would be tough. But sophomore Pam Quigney has already seen great things.

“We are doing well, for as young as we are,” Quigney said. “We are doing just as good, if not better, as last year’s team. We beat Allegheny this year, and we lost to them last year.”

The pivot point this season could be traced back to the team’s spring break trip to Hilton Head, where the Bishops went undefeated in five matches.

The trip was not just great in terms of winning but also in terms of developing the chemistry among the returning players and their new teammates.

“By being with the team all the time, I got to know [the freshmen] more,” Quigney said.

Hilton Head was certainly important for Quigney. She flew out to Hilton Head soon after the season-ending loss in women’s basketball to Illinois

Wesleyan in early March.

The time spent on the tennis court in South Carolina helped Quigney regain focus.

“We got to play every day [in Hilton Head],” Quigney said.

“It helped me get back into the swing of things because I just played basketball. Hilton Head helped me get into tennis mode and get some of that rust off.”

Currently, the Bishops are above .500, and with a strong finish, the team could have its first winning season since 2007.

One factor could be how well doubles can do down the stretch, especially since there have been several new additions to the team.

“It is definitely hard to jump in and play with a new doubles partner,” freshman Mackenzie Conway said. “But I think it will improve over time.”

Like Quigney, Conway believes the season has been successful, especially in terms of developing the younger players.

“I think the season has been going really well,” Conway said.

“We have six freshmen, so it is definitely a building year. But it is fun to see that we are working well together as a team.”

The next step in the team’s development may come in the NCAC tournament, which

takes place at the end of April.

While Denison and Kenyon seem to be the clear favorites to win, the Bishops hope to take a serious step toward upsetting the two powerhouses.

“We want to be able to compete in the NCAC tournament,” Quigney said. “Hopefully, we can win our first round match. Last year, we lost and we came in fifth, so I would like us to win that first round so we can at least come in fourth.”

Quigney said she wants to play an integral part in a potential strong finish for the Bishops.

“Personally, I want to keep winning my matches, get better and improve my game,” Quigney said.

“I have won all of my matches except for two at Denison. I want to try and be the reliable one because I hate letting others down.”

Conway shared in Quigney’s sentiment that it is important for the team to end the season on a positive note, especially if the Bishops want to continue to grow like they did this year.

“As a team, we are looking forward to the NCAC tournament,” Conway said.

The Bishops have three matches remaining before the tournament. They will play at home against Earlham and Wooster and on the road against Wittenberg.