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Crime statistics show changes in reporting

By Jacqueline Coffey Staff Reporter

Director of Public Safety (PS) Robert Wood released the 2005 Campus Crime Statistics in October for students, faculty and staff. The campus community is encouraged to familiarize themselves with the data in order to maintain a safe and crime-free campus.

There were 10 reports of forced sexual offenses in 2005 where there were none in the last two years.

Wood said this is because public safety did a better job in uncovering the number of sexual offenses reported to PS, Delaware Police, the Health Center, Grady Memorial Hospital, and Counseling Services.

"After public safety puts together our annual reports, we compare them with other departments to come to a total," he said. "It's important to note that when dealing with sexual offenses, the information is strictly confidential. We do not see names and the report details filed, all we see are the raw numbers."

Delaney added to Wood's explanation and said that "the interest in having any incident of this nature clearly documented and investigated, particularly related to any allegations or reports of sexual assault" can led to higher numbers as well.

Wood said there have been increases and decreases in the crime statistics this year because of how many incidents were actually reported.

"There are two types of crime," he said, "reported crime and actual crime. The University could potentially maintain the same level

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WCSA to debate smoking policy in dormitories

By Myra Blackburn Guest Reporter

WSCA will hold a Town Hall Meeting to debate making all dormitories smoke free on Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 7 p.m. in the Benes Rooms.

The issue on making all dorms smoke free has been researched for many years. WCSA has looked at others schools regarding this policy and noticed OWU is behind in making residential halls smoke free.

Senior Dana Owen, WSCA Small Living Unit representitve and co-chair of the meeting, said students' involvement will help decide if the University should continue the tradition of making another residential hall smoke free. She said the residential committee has given students multiple opportunities to voice their opinions. First a vote was held, then smoke free surveys distributed to every dorm and now this meeting is the last chance for student input. "[The meeting] has the potential to have a substantial influence on the smoke free policy, but the only way it will [happen] is if we have a lot of students participate," Owen said. "We have invited Bob Wood, director of Public Safety (PS), Wendy Piper, assistant director of Residential Life (Res Life), Marsha Tilden, director of the Wellness Center, and Dean of Students John Delaney to present their respective views on the issue and to answer any questions students may have."

Owen said the Res Life Committee will review the results from voting and smoking surveys as well as responses during the town hall meeting. She said the Res Life Committee will present the data to the WCSA body so that representatives can vote based on the desires of their constituents.

Sophomore Delmar Flournoy, WSCA class representative, said if students do not attend the meeting they will miss the opportunity to voice their opinion, and they will not understand this issue has been considered in the past. He said each year the University makes one dorm smoke free; currently, Hayes and Stuyvesant are the only two dorms where smoking is allowed.

Delaney said some students will have already gathered information about the issue, while others may have a strong opinion based on their personal experiences. He said if the discussion and exchange shifts anyone's perspective or view on the matter a positive outcome will come from this meeting and it will have served its purpose. "I expect that folks who oppose any additional restrictions on the smoking free policy will articulate their concerns very clearly and passionately," Delaney said. "And those who do not want smoking in the halls will be equally as passionate about their position.' Delaney said if students do not attend meetings they can seek alternative ways to express their Board created to govern and improve fraternity life

play Case Western Saturday in Cleveland. For the full story, see page 12.

Senior Jeff Sullivan takes a shot on goal against Hope College Friday in the first round of the NCAA Division III tournament. The game was a 1-1 draw, but the Bishops advanced in 5-3 in penalty kicks. On Saturday, the Bishops defeated Ohio Northern 1-0 to advance and

By Raza Naqvi Staff Reporter

The newly formed IFC Judicial Board met Thursday to begin discussions on a body that will oversee judicial affairs in the fraternal community.

Speaking at the meeting, junior Mathew Greene, IFC vice president for judicial affairs and member of Delta Tau Delta (Delt), said one of the committee's objectives will be to eliminate apathy in the IFC.

"Fraternity life is being reduced to guys sitting around playing video games with a case of [Natural Light]," he said. "The [fraternal] community needs to stop being apathetic. We will establish an assessment points system which will include criteria such as GPA and community service. "Chapters will be rewarded for helping the community. Houses below the points system will get special help from the IFC. This will provide motivation for houses to get involved." Greene said the committee will also provide a forum for judicial cases involving fraternity members.

be a jury of fellow Greek brothers as we have different sets of problems and should be held to higher standards.

"We also need to promote harmony within community. A common complaint is that there is no speed in regular judicial process. With our system, complaints can be filed fast. Fairness and due process will be accorded."

Judicial Affairs Advisor Michael Esler, professor of politics and government, said he has talked with Greene. He said he supports the initiative, but doesn't know enough about it to comAt this stage, it is still early for the body to develop into a fully functional judicial committee, he stated.

"It's still really, really rough in terms of a real constitution," he said. "I can't really say at this point that 'this' is how it's going to be. Maybe we'll have a mixed Greek men and women board. We're not sure yet."

Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji) representative junior Isaac Boltansky said he is hopeful that the board will be an effective institution on campus.

"I think given the right people



Photo by Phil Salisbury

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"The model will be a parallel system with WCSA" he said. "Eventually we will prove that we can be more autonomous. It will ment further.

Chi Phi representative junior Francis Smith, said at the meeting that the board should be more sympathetic in the judicial process towards fraternity members.

"Greeks are often treated harder in the WCSA judicial boards because we're frat boys," Smith said. "Our board can be more understanding, have more sensitivity towards the needs and constraints of fraternity members. There're only a few greeks on judicial."

The final verdicts, according to Greene, would still be in the hands of student judicial, and issues such as hazing will be dealt with more directly by them too, he said. and the right circumstance, this can certainly be something that all the houses can work towards in bettering themselves," he said.

"We should get it off its feet by the beginning of next semester, and hopefully, in the long run, develop greater legitimacy on campus," he said.

Greene wants to make the Judiciary Board the galvanizing force for the IFC as a body.

"The IFC used to have some teeth on this campus," he said. "We now have very limited scope and power. We fine houses for this and that and have the power of the nuclear option (kicking a house off). There's not much in between. This will give IFC some legitimacy."

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Crime

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Report

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and considered to be arson."

Dean of Students John Delaney said one of the factors that have led to the increased reporting of crime statistics is the training and education of front-line staff mem-

bers and how 2005 low statistics in previous years. "We had very low numbers in past years for some incidents like arson," he "So any said. increase will look large compared with past numbers. It is not unusual for any one area to increase in numbers for a period or two. We will be very interested in Not give looking at these numbers over future years to see if these concerns continue to grow."

Wood said there was not so

campus was arson, which was reported 11 times in campus residences in 2005 versus 3 in 2004. Wood said this is due to a

change in the way PS reported it. "In the past, if a student lit a bulletin board on fire in one of the residence halls, it always had to be determined whether it was arson or criminal damage," he said. "Now, there's no question between the two: it's a serious crime

much a change in campus crime in 2005 as there was a change in how many crimes were reported. Since 2003, there has been an increase in forced sexual offenses, burglaries, and arson on campus.

Under the 1990 Clery Act, all colleges and universities are required by law to provide students, faculty and staff with the annual crime report statistics. The current data is from January 1, 2005 to December 30, 2005; however the "Staying Safe on Campus" packet includes reports from 2003 and 2004 as well.

There were 13 reports of burglary on campus residences in 2005, an increase of 10 from the previous two years.

Wood said that this is the result of the University complying with how the Clery Act categorizes thefts.

"According to Clery," he said, "if a person other than a resident breaks into a particular location, it's considered burglary. If a student reports that there laptop was stole by a roommate, its considered larceny. We're counting the most serious crime when recording crime statistics."

PS made the administrative decision in 2005 to differentiate these two forms of theft when reporting crime criteria.

On a lighter note, there has been a decline in both drug and liquor violations on campus from 522 in 2003, to 415 in 2004, to 384 in 2005. Drug violations decreased as well from 73 in 2003, to 65 in 2004, to 51 in 2005.

Wood attributes this decline to one simple explanation: geography.

"According to the Clery Act it's about where the incident took place," he said. "In the past, Delaware police would provide us with statistics on how many students were arrested for alcohol violations off campus. Now, it doesn't matter if you are an OWU student off campus, we are only recording it if the incident was reported on

Tomorrow- noon and 4 p.m.

Vans will leave from Smith

Tuesday

Saturday- 9 a.m., noon, and 4 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 25- noon, 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. **Sunday, Nov. 26**- noon, 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Spring Break Shuttle Information

Going Home- Reservations due today by noon

After Thanksgiving- Reservations due by noon on

If a flight is delayed, it is the students's responsibility to find

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campus."

Delaney attributes the decline in drug and alcohol violations to students making better and safer choices.

'We will continue to use our resources to address and educate these high risk areas through the use of Alcohol EDU and the CORE survey as well," he said. "We hope to be able to identify the points where our intervention and investment of resources will have the biggest impact on student behavior and choices around alcohol and other substances."

Delaney said Wood and the PS department did a very good job getting clarification directly from the Department of Education on the proper and most accurate labeling of incidents and categories.

"As you can well imagine," he said, "it is a challenge to have over 4,000 schools compile this data in a meaningful way. The guidelines are revised annually to make this an easier and more useful report for all.'

Wood said that Ohio Wesleyan prides itself on its honesty with students and never attempts to minimize crime on campus.

"Our administration finds it almost a necessity that the campus community be aware of all unlawful activity on campus for their individual safety," he said. "We are extremely forthright about campus crime and never attempt to cover up or withhold information from out students because we believe that being educated on your surroundings will enable students to be as safe as possible."



Departmental Honors deadline approaches

The deadline for submission of Departmental Honors (Junior Cycle) and University Honors applications is Friday. Please submit them to the Office of Academic Affairs, UNIV. 107.

Program offers opportunities to study in Germany

The German Academic Exchange Service is now taking applications for their summer programs. Scholarships are awarded to American undergraduates in the fields of biology, chemistry, physics, earth sciences, and engineering. Visit WWW. daad.de/rise to apply.

Meeting to be held about studying abroad

If you plan to study offcampus for the Fall 2007 or Spring 2008 you must come to one of the following offcampus meetings for a list of times and dates, go to http://bulletin.owu.edu.

Initiative to collect old clothes

Old clothes will be colected from 9 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 5. The clothes will be donated to the Common Ground Free Store for families in need this winter.

Group to hold sessions about treking the wild

The Spring Break Wilderness teams are holding two informational sessions today at noon and at 6 p.m in the Ham-Will atrium

<u>Thu</u> Nov 16	T-Showers	54°/ 37°	60%
<u>Fri</u> Nov 17	AM Rain / Snow Showers	41° /31°	40%
<u>Sat</u> Nov 18	Mostly Cloudy	48 °/28°	10%



The Goddard School of Lewis Center is looking for an energetic assistant teacher to work in the older toddler room: we would like to fill this position soon. Qualified teachers should enjoy working with children ages 18 to 30 months while remaining in strict compliance with Goddard Quality Assurance and State Licensing Regulations. Assistant teachers follow the lead teacher's lesson plans as well as assist in completing other duties like daily attendance, parent conferences and progress reports.

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a ride back to campus.

Smoking

(from page 1) opinions on the policy. He said students can contact their geographical representatives before or after the meeting, send letters to the newspaper, or choose to not get engaged in this discussion

and assume others will speak on their behalf. He said WCSA will continue to review any opinions and information that is brought forward, and will draft and vote on a proposal to present to the administration that will take effect for the 2007 and 2008 school year.

We are also accepting applications for substitutes. Qualified teachers should enjoy working with all ages between 6 weeks and 6 years while remaining in compliance with all regulations. There are times when a sub is able to work 40 hrs a week with teachers taking scheduled time off and sick days that need to be covered. We are willing to work around school schedules as well as other job schedules. If interested, along with your resume, please send your availability including days and times.

We like to promote from within and if a qualified teacher is working as an assistant or a substitute, he or she will be the first person we consider to take over a teaching position!

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Resumes and salary requirements may be emailed to tgsresume@aol.com or faxed to 740-549-4574 Attn: Melanie O'Neil. Please indicate your preferred position.

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Correction: In last week's edition of the Transcript, the radio frequency for WSLN was incorrectly reported as 89.7 FM. It is actually 98.7 FM.

The Transcript staff hopes all students, faculty, and staff have a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving break. See you in a week!





Photo by Ryan Kim

Freshman Erica Gibson enjoys the First Year Festival with Chaplain Jon Powers Monday evening in the Benes Rooms.

Schedule changes not meant to confuse

By Matt Patrick Staff Reporter

Late class changes are common every semester and may cause some students to experience difficulties with their schedules this spring, according to Registrar Sally Sikorski.

Sikorski said each department submits course offerings separately and can make changes to those courses at any time.

'As long as the change is submitted by the department chair, I process it," Sikorski said. "Most of the time the chair will tell me why the change is being made, and the reasons are usually good."

Senior Kevin Lehman said his auditing class, which he needs for his accounting major, was moved to an hour earlier than originally scheduled.

They sent out an e-mail to investigate if it would cause any problems in students' schedules," Lehman said. "I was fortunate enough to not have it conflict with any other classes I need to graduate."

Sikorski said she doesn't think the situation is worse this year than in the past.

We used to use the Daily Bulletin to inform the community of any changes and I think a lot of people were unaware of them unless they were personally affected," Sikorski said. "Now we send the changes out using e-mail and more people are aware of them.'

Sikorski said an error in computer entry in the Registrar's Office must have caused the wrong time for BOMI 233.

"Our paper records indicate we made the change, but it wasn't changed in the

computer," Sikorski said. "I am guessing someone didn't hit the final keystroke to make the change or there was a computer glitch.

Senior Andrew Chase said his journalism senior seminar class was moved from 10 a.m. on Tuesday/Thursday to 8:30 a.m.

"It was upsetting to find out I would have to wake up much earlier for class twice a week," Chase said. "I'm lucky it doesn't conflict with any other classes I need, but it could have caused a major problem if it did."

Sikorski said the botany/microbiology department added an additional lab section of BOMI 110 after juniors and seniors had been registered because it looked like there would be a demand for it. She said the chemistry department changed the time of a course to accommodate students who wanted it at a different time and the music department added a course when they realized it had not been submitted.

Sikorski said the department works with students who need to make changes and the Registrar will assist anyone who has any registration problems, including time changes.

"The vast majority of the schedule adjustments we do on make-up days are because students were closed out of a particular course or section they requested or because students requested courses for which they don't have the prerequisites," Sikorski said. "We will keep trying to avoid errors, and I am sure the departments would rather not have to make changes, but I don't think we will ever be able to eliminate them entirely.

Attempted assault puts students on edge

By Willy Yoder Guest Reporter

University offices are striving to make students feel safer on campus after a late night incident involving a stranger on Oct. 20 at about 3:45 a.m.

According to a campus-wide email from Public Safety, an Ohio Wesleyan student was approached by a stranger who tried to grab her as she left Edgar Hall. The student was able to break away and get to her vehicle before any major injuries occurred.

The aftermath of the incident has left some students shaken and concerned for their safety.

"(The incident) makes me feel insecure now," sophomore Valerie Slaboda said. "I make sure I'm always walking with someone no matter what I have to do."

"I think it's pretty scary because I usually consider Ohio Wesleyan a really safe place so I don't even think about the posibility of something like that happening," sophomore Amanda Zeichiel said

Other students, who say they are not scared after the incident, agree that it has made them more cautious at night.

"I feel more concerned about my surroundings then before, but I am not totally

scared to walk around campus at night," junior Andrew Au said. "I feel, however, if there was more lighting, or at least lights in specific locations, incidents like these could be prevented."

Director of Public Safety Robert Wood said the Public Safety office (PS) and the Delaware Police Department (DPD) are working together to make sure this incident gets resolved and students stay safe. Wood said that he and the police department agree that stranger assaults, while rare, have a high threat potential and are always taken seriously.

DPD issued a police report on the assault and investigated it. Despite the help of the department, there are no leads on who it might have been, Wood said.

"Maybe (it could have been) one of our local town people or it even could have been someone going through the dumpsters," Wood said. "We searched a vacant house near that location at the suggestion of the detective working the case with negative results, no indication of anyone staying or living there."

Wood and other campus leaders have offered advice of how to stay safe to those

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Houma nation still feeling Katrina's wrath

By Mike Alcock **Guest Reporter**

Though only a year has passed since the initial reports about Hurricane Katrina, many domestic media outlets have turned their attention elsewhere.

However, countless people in Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas and Florida are still homeless because of the catastrophic storm and have yet to receive aid from the federal government.

On Tuesday, Nov. 8, Micheal Dardar, vice chief of the United Houma Nation, spoke in the Corns Building about his people's suffering.

"Most people don't realize the extent of the aftermath," said Dardar. "It's not on T.V. or in the newspapers anymore so a lot of people don't know it's still a big problem." Dardar said early in his speech that living conditions in Louisiana "haven't improved much in a year."

The Houma Tribe is a Native American community that inhabits various parts of several parishes in Southern Louisiana near the Mississippi River. The tribe was devastated by Katrina, which killed or displaced thousands of Houma families.

"The process for applying for federal aid, even from the Red Cross, was very dif-

ficult," Dardar said. "It literally took days to reach [the Red Cross] by phone - if you reached them at all. And once you were able to talk to someone in person, you had to go through a long, detailed application process to even become eligible for aid."

Dardar said, like many from the regions affected by the disaster, the Houma people received little or no aid from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). He said almost all of the external assistance came from other Native American reservations and volunteers from various churches, schools and non-profit organizations.

We are very appreciative of the volunteer effort, it's the only way we can feasibly sustain our community," Dardar said, directing special thanks to last semester's spring break mission team which aided the Houma community in the rebuilding process

Dardar said FEMA was generally ineffective in reacting to Katrina, but even less receptive to providing aid to his people. He added that this is partially because the tribe has no federal recognition, a status which would afford the tribe government funding in the event of a hurricane.

'We've been seeking federal recognition for over 20 years," Dardar said, emphasizing

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Hookah debate shrouded in flavored haze

By Nelson Mandrell and

erators over breaks. "We are trying to clarify many of the issues that students have questions about as well as bring attention to the rights that students are not aware of," Marie Rysponsored by various cultural, ra- committee addressing the two is-

Leah Johnson **Guest Reporters**

In response to the increasing popularity of hookahs, the WCSA is working to develop a policy regarding this method of smoking flavored tobacco.

The WCSA received a presentation regarding hookah use from junior Dan Strumlok during its formal full body meeting on Thursday, Nov. 9. After extended discussion, the issue was tabled for the following meeting.

The possibility of using hookahs to smoke marijuana sparked much debate.

"While that is definitely possible, hookahs are more about socializing with friends and having something to do," Strumlok said. To the best of his knowledge few people use the pipes for this purpose, he said.

He felt hookahs should not conflict with OWU's policy preventing a student from possessing paraphernalia that suggests illegal

According to Strumlok, the history and culture that surrounds the hookah is a fascinating subject. He also explained that the tobacco used with a hookah contains fewer addictive chemicals and produces a more pleasant smell than a cigarette.

drug use.

According to sophomore class representative Rory McHale, confiscations of hookahs by Public Safety (PS) and ResLife have been the source of confusion and demonstrate the emerging need for a policy clarification. McHale is heading the group responsible for writing the resolution.

Under the current draft, students would be allowed to use hookahs in designated smoking areas after registering them with ResLife

Discussion of current progress towards the development of a Student Bill of Rights followed.

The current draft touches on everything from the grounds of room searches to the Residential Life requirement to unplug refrigmut, WCSA president, said. After recommendations by senior Dale Stewart, WCSA vice president, and senior Jason Ramsey, WCSA treasurer, to expand point 12 regarding alcohol policy, and general concerns regarding the clarity of the document, the bill was tabled for further editing and discussion at the following meeting.

In other business, junior class representative Ben Owen, discussed his proposal for a Committee on Cultural Sensitivity and Diversity.

If established under the current draft, a student-faculty body responsible for assessing diversity at OWU would be created. Its duties would include facilitating classroom faculty evaluations as well as increasing campus awareness of events and programs cial and ethnic groups.

"If anyone has a concern, if they feel that they are having problems with diversity on campus, there should be a discreet way to bring attention to that issue," Owen said.

The debate ensued after a recommendation by Stewart to change the proposal to merge the existing Committee on the Status of Women with the proposed Committee on Cultural Sensitivity and Diversity.

However, senior Paul Krog, member at large, disagreed with the recommendation.

"These groups are inherently different, and though equally important, would not be fully served in a joint committee. A person's sex is very different from their cultural identity," Krog said.

Stewart defended his recommendations on the grounds that because there are already nine faculty committees, it might not be possible to form two separate bodies. He proposed that one

sues would a better option than one of the issues being left behind.

The WCSA will also be rolling back \$1400 from the women's rugby team, \$375 from the Outdoor Club and \$200 from the Council on Creative Non-Violence, for expenses from last year that were not documented with receipts.

The WCSA is withholding these amounts from each organizations current budget until proper documentation is provided, at which point the withheld funds will be reimbursed.

In other business, the WCSA:

-announced a town hall meeting regarding smoking concerns on Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 7 p.m. in Benes rooms A and B;

-allocated \$300 to the Badminton Club for the purchase of equipment and supplies;

-discussed the need to amend the WCSA constitution in order to remove grammatical errors and general ambiguity.

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What's News-In Business and Finance

What Democrats Mean for Business

The Democrats' election victory ended a six-year partnership between a business-friendly White House and Congress. Party leaders now are talking about quickly boosting the minimum wage, seeking to curb executive pay and pushing for higher taxes on business, particularly oil companies.

Many political observers doubt the party can gain traction on more than a few of these issues, tempered by a Republican president, a closely divided Senate, business groups and their political allies keen to avoid losing ground on trade and taxes.

But raising the minimum wage is one fight the Democrats are expected to win. That would be a victory for organized labor, but a defeat for the restaurant and retail industries and small-business owners, who argue it would hurt the economy by forcing them to hire fewer workers.

Democrats are seeking to raise the federal minimum wage to \$7.25 from \$5.15.

Networks Wallow In Game-Show Glut

The big broadcast networks are hoping one of TV's oldest and most unstable genres—game shows can help cure an array of ailments, from a ratings slump for new reality shows to the increasing use of digital video recorders to skip ads.

Despite the implosion of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" five years ago-showing how susceptible game shows are to oversaturation-the major networks think they have winners again. ABC just rolled out "Show Me the Money," in which contestants win cash by answering trivia questions and then choosing among 13 female dancers, who carry scrolls containing secret dollar amounts. NBC features "Deal or No Deal" and "1 vs. 100," and CBS is working to remake "Name That Tune," a program that first aired in 1953.

TV executives say viewers tend to watch game shows as they air because each episode is built to feel like a fingernail-biting live event.

Microsoft's Zune To Challenge iPod Microsoft, in its most serious challenge to Apple Computer's iPod and iTunes, introduced its

Blast from the Past

A sampling of game shows that aired

on 0.5. network television in prime time							
TITLE	NETWORK	DATES AIRED					
What's My Line?	CBS	1950-1967					
Twenty One	NBC	1956-1958					
The Newlywed Game	ABC	1967-1971					
Let's Make a Deal	ABC	1968-1971					
Who Wants to be a Millionaire	ABC	1999-2002					
The Weakest Link	NBC	2001-2002					
Source: WSJ research							

own portable music player and online music store, the Zune player and Zune Marketplace. The software giant plans to put plenty of marketing muscle behind the products, and promises to expand and refine them.

This isn't Microsoft's first effort to stop the iPod, but it's the first for which the software giant is adopting Apple's own business and design model—where one company makes and controls the hardware, software and online component, and tightly integrates them.

Apple, meanwhile, announced it has struck deals with six airlines to integrate its iPod portable music and video players into in-flight entertainment systems.

For a review of Zune by Wall Street Journal Personal Technology columnist Walt Mossberg, go to http://ptech.wsj.com/.

Delta Cuts Fares, US Airways Bids

US Airways made a surprise \$8 billion offer to buy Delta Air Lines, a troubled carrier that just launched a pre-holidays fare sale.

Delta cut prices on some seats on more than 10,000 domestic routes, a move quickly matched by rival airlines. The price cuts apply to coachclass seats purchased at least seven days in advance by Dec. 5 for travel completed by Dec. 12. The cuts exclude flights on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving and the following Saturday and Sunday.

The offer by US Airways to buy the larger carrier when it exits bankruptcy-court protection does raise antitrust concerns. US Airways Chief Executive Doug Parker, however, suggested that either of US Airways' and Delta's competing Northeastern U.S. shuttles could be put up for sale in order to satisfy

The 9/11 Oscar Race Begins

Two Films Compete In an Odd Dance; Grim Plot Problem

By Merissa Marr

ast month, Paramount Pictures held a cocktail party at the tony Hollywood restaurant Mortons to honor director Oliver Stone. Studio chief Brad Grey took the stage to praise the director for his work on "World Trade Center," which Paramount distributed. The movie's composer tapped out a few tunes from the film's original score, while star Nicolas Cage mingled with the assembled executives and movie-industry media.

Held under the guise of celebrating Mr. Stone's award for director of the year from the Hollywood Film Festival, the event was widely seen as the starting gun for Paramount's campaign for an Oscar nomination for "World Trade Center." After a few barren seasons at the Academy Awards, Paramount's top brass are determined to win recognition at next February's Oscar ceremony.

Paramount's attempt to tackle the 9/11 attacks might seem like an Oscar natural except for one problem: rival 9/11 movie "United 93" from Universal Pictures. While the two films tiptoed around each other at the box office this year as audiences questioned whether it was too soon for Hollywood to take on



While 'United 93' (above) stars unknowns, 'World Trade Center' has Nicolas Cage.

the subject, they are going head-tohead for an Oscar nomination.

Mindful that the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is unlikely to nominate both 9/11 movies for one of the five contender slots set aside for the Best Picture award, Paramount and Universal are preparing sharp-elbowed campaigns to reel in Oscar voters. In stark contrast to the lowkey marketing they used when the two movies hit theaters, the studios are spending many millions of dollars to blitz Academy members with big-bang advertising and glitzy events.

Each fall, studios lavish much time and money on campaigns to win an Oscar nod for their movies. The aggressive lobbying by filmmakers such as Harvey Weinstein for "Shakespeare in Love," "Chicago" and other movies proved that such promotion can pay off.

This year's Oscar playing field is wide open. Possible early contenders include Martin Scorsese's mob thriller "The Departed," the quirky, low-budget comedy "Little Miss Sunshine," the musical "Dreamgirls" (which opens next month) and Clint Eastwood's war epic "Flags of Our Fathers." But no title has yet emerged as a slamdunk for a Best Picture nomination.

Both Universal and Paramount have strong motivation to get their 9/11 movies nominated. Universal has been an aggressive presence in the pre-Oscar race in recent *Please Turn to Next Page*

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Mermaids Needn't Dominate

BY JANET ADAMY t a coffee shop in Chicago's Beverly neighborhood, Bridget Barnes snuggled into a navy chair beneath a row of vintage windows. The dark wood, living-room-style rug and fireplace mantel made her feel like she was in "an old Beverly home," the preschool teacher said.

But Ms. Barnes was at a Starbucks. The new design approach which includes preserving antique touches when the chain opens in old buildings—is part of a push to make Starbucks stores more locally relevant as the chain sets out to have 40,000 stores across the world, more than triple its current total.

A small number of cities have blocked Starbucks openings out of concern the chain will erode the local character. Arroyo Grande, Calif., last year restricted Starbucks and other so-called formula businesses from opening in its historic downtown. In one Denver neighborhood, a landlord asked Starbucks to replace its standard green-andwhite mermaid logo sign with something more original.

Executives at Starbucks say that the new design methods aren't a response to a backlash, and that the company has always strived to personalize its cafes. Yet as the chain grows, Starbucks is sharpening its rebuttal to the complaint that its stores homogenize towns. In its 2005 social-responsibility report, it devoted a section to debunking a complaint it says it often hears, "Everywhere I go, I see Starbucks. Pretty soon every place will look the same." In the report, Starbucks says it doesn't rely on a one-size-fits-all mold for its stores and is respectful of a neighborhood's desire to preserve its look and feel.

About two years ago, the chain began placing designers in regional offices in part to help them better reflect the community in new stores, a spokeswoman says. Now it has at least a dozen development teams in Dallas, Orlando, Fla., Los Angeles and other cities. Then last year, Starbucks started using three decorative platforms with a broader array of colors, tile, furniture and art. Now most new stores use one of three palettes: Classico, a European decor with rich woods; di Moda, a sleek, urban platform with sharp-edged elements; and Origins, a brightly colored scheme with bamboo touches.

What's News-

In Business and Finance

Continued from Previous Page TiVo Lets Users Share on Web

Watching television and watching Web video have been separate activities, usually occurring on different devices. Now the two are starting to blur together in ways that may ultimately make it hard to distinguish between them.

Tivo, the company that pioneered the digital video recorder, unveiled several new features designed to enhance the array of content available to TiVo users to download from the Internet for playback on television sets. The new options include a home movie service, through which users can create an Internet "channel" that automatically broadcasts clips of kids' birthday parties and other movies over the Internet to family and friends with TiVo recorder boxes.

In a similar move, Comcast recently launched a Web site where it solicits homemade videos, with the aim of putting the most popular on its cable video-on-demand service for television subscribers. Apple Computer next year plans to begin selling a product that plays movies, TV shows and other content downloaded from the Internet on television sets in living rooms.

GM Tries to Close The Hybrid Gap

General Motors hopes to use some of the money it will save from closing plants and cutting jobs this year to accelerate development of hybrids, hydrogen fuel cells and other technologies in hopes of jumping ahead of Toyota. The Toyota Prius is the top-selling hybrid vehicle.

Among the innovations GM is planning to tout is a hybrid with a powerful battery owners can recharge by plugging in the vehicle to an ordinary wall socket. Such "plug in" hybrids operate much longer on their batteries alone, cutting gasoline consumption even further than current hybrids.

Odds & Ends

PlayStation 3 consoles don't properly play some games designed for earlier PlayStation consoles, Sony said. The PS3 goes on sale in the U.S. on Nov. 17. A Sony spokesman declined to give a number for the games that weren't functioning.... Bootmaker Timberland, whose products became icons to a generation of hip-hop music fans and dayhikers alike, is exploring a plan to sell itself, people familiar with the matter said. Problems facing the company include a shift in fashion toward more formal attire.

By Jay Hershey

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The 9/11 Oscar Race Begins

Continued from Previous Page years but has few other candidates to push this year. At Paramount, Mr. Grey is eager for some Oscar glitter after turning around the Viacom-owned studio.

Both campaigns share an obvious challenge: their subject matter. "United 93" is a documentarystyle, real-time account of United Airlines Flight 93, the hijacked jet that crashed in Pennsylvania. "World Trade Center" is a drama about police officers buried in the rubble of the towers. While "United 93" ends with a plane crash, "World Trade Center" concludes with an uplifting rescue.

"It's going to be tough getting the voters to watch these movies," said Sasha Stone, editor Oscarwatch.com, a Web site dedicated to tracking the awards. "Who wants to devote their time to feeling awful for two hours?"

Academy members sometimes have trouble embracing difficult material based on real-life events. "Hotel Rwanda," a gritty drama about the civil war in that African nation, was snubbed in 2005 for a Best Picture nomination after winning nominations and awards in other competitions.

"World Trade Center" has had more success at finding an audience than "United 93." Pitching itself as a more elaborate Hollywood production about courage and survival, Paramount's movie sold about \$152 million worth of tickets world-wide, while "United 93" brought in about half that, despite having an edge with the critics. The Academy is set to announce its nominations on Jan. 23. (The Oscars awards ceremony is Feb. 25.) That gives the studios just six weeks to work on voters before the ballots are sent out.

The fact that "World Trade Center" is the product of a popular if polemic director and features a well-known cast may give the movie a leg up. The big question is whether Paramount will wheel out survivors of the actual disaster to support its campaign.

Ms. Stone says a big risk for the studios is that the nominating audience for the two 9/11 movies may be divided and thus diluted, with members favoring one film or the other. "The two films might cancel each other out," she says. "There's a good chance that will happen."

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Group to hold weekly movie nights

By Lainey Cullen Staff Reporter

In an effort to raise money and awareness, the Ohio Wesleyan Athletic Committee (OWAC) hosted its first ever Night at the Strand event on Thursday, Nov. 2.

Laura Finkes, assistant coach of men's and women's track and an OWAC council adviser, said the event was free and open to all members of the campus community. Finkes said OWAC collected a "very modest but much appreciated \$27" in donations.

Sophomore Catie Coleman, vice president of OWAC, said OWAC plans on hosting more Thursday night events.

This will be a consistent event because it's something most people can enjoy and the management of The Strand has been kind enough to offer us use of their theatre for our fundraising events," Coleman said. "We will always be thinking up new ways of fundraising. We will be hosting the season finale of Grey's Anatomy on the big screen. Hopefully, this will be a huge success. We really appreciate donations of \$1 to \$2.

OWAC is represented under the Student Athlete Advisory Council and provides student athletes with a voice in the NCAA legislation process, Finkes said.

Finkes said she operates as one of the two faculty advisors for OWAC and helps the students clarify their ideas and put them into action.

"The main mission of the group is to be a voice and advocate for student athletes at the campus level," Finkes said. "The organization strives to represent each athletic team and give student athletes a voice in the NCAA legislative process. We also aim to serve the campus community by promoting athlete and facilities welfare and also fostering positive inter-campus and inter-community relationships between student athletes and others on campus and around Delaware."

Finkes said two student athletes from each sport on campus are nominated by their respective coaches to serve as OWAC representatives

"As members of the council, the members represent their team's point of view on legislation issues and OWAC initiatives," Finkes said.

Finkes said OWAC serves student athletes in a number of ways.

"Primarily, we are the voice of student athletes in the NCAA legislative process. When new rules are proposed at the NCAA level, we are notified and the students have an opportunity to discuss them with their teams. Then, we discuss the issues as a group and form a student athlete opinion which is then communicated to the athletic director. The athletic director reports to the president of the University and the president makes the decision on the University's position.

The NCAA follows a 'One school, One vote' policy so it is important that the athletes communicate their feelings on legislative issues so that our president has an opportunity to consider the athletes point of view," Finkes said.

"The second major way that OWAC helps student athletes is by providing services for student athletes. These services take on a variety of forms such as providing motivational speakers and drug and alcohol education to providing opportunities for students to experience professional development opportunities."

Finkes said OWAC is busy planning for many other fun events.

On Thursday, Nov. 30 at 9 p.m., the group will host an entertainment night at the Strand, and have events planed for Community Day in January 2007.

Finkes said the group is planning a way to increase school spirit where people get prizes for attending athletic events.

"We hope to get the whole campus community involved and are hoping to foster strong positive relationships between the student athletes and others on campus," Finkes said.

Arts Briefs

Mission programs to hold Bazaar

The Mission Program will hold their Annual Holiday Bazaar fundraiser on Sunday, Dec. from 11:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. in Slocum Reading Room.

Club invites pawns, bishops, and kings of chess

The Bishops Chess Club meets every Sunday afternoon from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Boards and clocks are provided. All levels are welcome, and chess instruction is available upon request.

High Five! Borat's deception is comic gold

"Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan" is the funniest movie of the year. It is also one of the most offensive,

Critic's Corner by DNA Smith

vulgar, politically incorrect films I've seen in ages.

What sets "Borat" apart from such films as "Jackass" is that it is a scathing satire on American ignorance. We've all heard of Ugly Americans. What Borat (Sacha Baron Cohen) does is expose them warts, prejudices and all.

The plot is pretty simple: Borat is a journalist from Kazakhstan on assignment to film a documentary about America. While in New York, Borat sees a rerun of "Baywatch," falls in love with Pamela Anderson and decides to head cross-country to California in order to make her his wife. Along the way, he meets Real Americans, some of whom have opinions and views that some of us thought we'd abandoned in the previous century.

The movie is shot on video in documentary style. In fact, most of the film is a series of pranks pulled on real people. When Borat visits a gun store in the South and asks the owner which gun is best to shoot Jews, the owner (the real owner, not an actor) happily suggests a gold-plated .45.

The film is rife with seemingly good, decent people openly exposing their racism, anti-semitism and ignorance. You almost have to wonder, "Why on Earth are these people saying this stuff on camera?" Then you realize Cohen's brilliance. By crafting a bumbling, loveable, thick-accented foreigner who comes across as more ignorant and prejudiced than his interview subjects, Cohen is able to lull them into a false sense of security, which leads them to blurt out some of the most outrageouslv hateful statements vou'll ever hear on film, after which Borat offers them a high-five.

Obviously, "Borat" isn't a mov-

ie for everyone, but if you're a person who enjoyed the surreal comic stylings of Andy Kaufman, you definitely need to see this film.

Photo from http://movies.yahoo.com Sacha Baron Cohan plays the title character Borat, the faux-journalist with many outrageous beliefs.



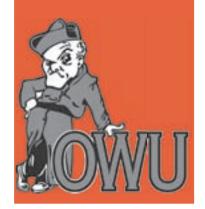
Women's center to hold open house

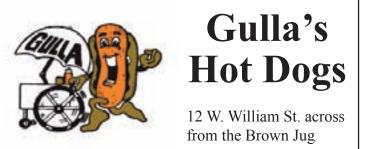
The Women's resource center is holding an open house today from noon to 2 p.m.

Group to watch the symphony

The Honors Board is offering a trip to see the Columbus Sy Columbus Symphony Orchestra's Holiday concert program on December 1st.

Vans will be leaving from Smith at 6:15pm on Friday, December 1. Cost is \$5.





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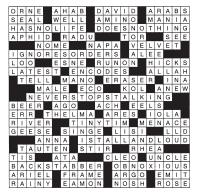
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Students entertain at orchestra concert

By Julia Smith Guest Reporter

On Sunday, the Ohio Wesleyan Chamber Orchestra performed their annual graded performance concert in Gray Chapel. The two invited solo performers were senior vocalist Qiana McNary and senior Nicole Piunno on piccolo trumpet.

McNary sang Wolfgang Mo-"Porgi Amor." Piunno zart's performed Giuseppe Schubert's 'Symphony No. 8 in B minor" and "The Unfinished". Kenichiro Matsuda, director of the Chamber Orchestra, directed the entire performance.

According to the program, Mc-Nary plans to pursue a master's degree or artist diploma in vocal performance, and Piunno plans to pursue a master's degree in trumpet performance. Both students are members of the music fraternity Mu Phi Epsilon, and both have performed in other musical outlets on campus including the Park Avenue Jazz Band and Choral Art Society.

Piunno and McNary have been performing since they were young and are grateful for people and experiences that encouraged them to pursue music.

'I always liked to sing as a young child, but I realized that I could sing when I was 10 years old and I entered the 5th Grade Talent Show," McNary said. "I sang my favorite and signature piece, "Over the Rainbow," and it was a hit.

" I had a wonderful high school director who always set high expectations and encouraged me to further my education in music," Piunno said. "He has been a constant source of inspiration and support."

McNary said she and her voice teacher chose a piece that was flattering to both her voice as well as the orchestra. McNary said she enjoys performing with the orchestra.

"Singing with the orchestra makes the song really come to ' McNary said. "I've always life," listened to various opera recording artists and it sounds amazing when they sing with an orchestra, and I was really excited to share in the same experience. The orchestra [is] great and performing with them is well worth it."

Piunno said preparing for a performance is very personal and involves mental preparation and practice. She said she felt her performance went well, but there is always room for improvement. Like McNary, Piunno said she thinks the feeling the audience gets from the performance is most important.

The performance went well," Piunno said. "There are always little details that one wishes would have been closer to the level of perfection for which one strives. As long as the meaning and character of the piece comes across to the audience, I am pleased."

Piunno said she feels that her connection with the audience is her biggest concern and her favorite part of performing.

"I try to offer my own interpre-

tation of the piece while keeping the composers intent in mind, Piunno said. "I don't want to be perceived by the audience, but rather be the person that transmits the composer's music directly to the audience.'

Freshman Jonathan Wright

also performed a clarinet piece and said it was a great experience.

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"I had to transpose the first song, learn some aspects of performing with a vocalist and learn several aspects of classical orchestra repertoire," Wright said.



Senior Nicole Piunno performs her senior recital Tuesday, Nov. 7 in Jemison Auditorium

Artists take their crack at animated soundtrack

The way re-releases go, sometimes it's not a good thing. But then there are always exceptions. One exception was the re-release of Tim Burton's The Nightmare

Off-Beat by Meghan Hensley

Before Christmas in Disney 3-D[®]. With the re-release of the movie, Disney also released a two disc edition of the movie soundtrack that included covers by current artists of Danny Elfman's originals.

The movie itself is a classic. Most people who saw it when it

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was first released in 1993 saw it again when it was re-released around Halloween.

I saw it again Sunday and was amazed at the animation. It was good the first time around, but in 3-D it was amazing. This isn't a column about the movie; instead I want to focus on the soundtrack.

Movie soundtracks can make or break a movie. They have to fit amazingly well with the action on screen.

In The Nightmare Before Christmas, Elfman worked closely with the animation itself, to the point that he performed many of the tracks himself, singing more than one characters' parts.

On the bonus tracks included with the re-release of the soundtrack are the original demos that Elfman put together for Bur-"Oogie Boogie's Song" has ton. a completely different feel to it when Elman performs it, as opposed to the eerie dark feeling that Ken Page brings to Oogie Boogie.

The first five tracks on the bonus disc include performances by Marilyn Manson, Fiona Apple, Fall Out Boy, She Wants Revenge, and Panic! at the Disco.

Each was given the opportunity to pick which song they covered, according to Fall Out Boy bassist Peter Wentz in a Q&A on their website.

Manson and Panic! covered "This is Halloween." Manson's version relies heavily on synthesizers, giving it an eerie feel not felt in the original. Panic!'s version stays closer to the original, but has a similar feel to their hit "I Write Sins not Tragedies."

Apple covered "Sally's Song," lending a huskier voice to Sally. I'm not sure which I prefer more, Apple's version or the original performed by Catherine O'Hara. I do know that Apple's voice is more of what I would expect for a character like Sally.

Fall Out Boy's cover of "What's This?" is a quicker version, but Patrick Stump's voice lends itself to the song beautifully. I do prefer it over Elfman's version (he was the voice of Jack). Stump gives Jack a more surprised sound to his voice than the almost operatic voice that Elfman gives Jack. Ei-

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ther way, it is my favorite song on the entire soundtrack.

"Kidnap the Sandy Claws," the cover by She Wants Revenge is completely different from the original. It's a slower, very heavy bass reliant song. I have found that I do like what they did to it, but the urgency and shear fun of the original is lacking in the cover.

Overall, I loved the idea of having these covers included on the soundtrack, but I would have liked to have heard them in the movie. It would have given the re-release something special that the original didn't have. Oh well, I still have my glasses and am waiting for the 3-D version to come out on DVD.

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Editorial Stick to the schedule

Schedule changes are unavoidable. When the schedule needs to be changed, students need to be informed as soon as possible. The number of changes seem to be about the same as in previous years, it's the timing that's the most concerning thing. Some of this year's schedule

changes occurred after class registration sheets were due for particular classes

The student body received emails from the Registrar's Office on Monday, Oct. 30 and Thursday, Nov. 2. Those emails were sent after juniors and seniors had already turned in their forms, and after the seniors' make up date.

Also, since some classes aren't even offered every year, never mind every semester, students already must schedule carefully and plan ahead. What good is that planning when the schedule changes after juniors and seniors have already turned in their schedule forms for next semester? What good is even releasing the schedule if it is going to be changed that much?

Another concerning thing was how many upper level courses were changed. One of the sections of ECON499- Senior Seminar was canceled. For what reason, we don't know, but people only get one or two shots at taking a senior seminar, depending on the size of the major.

For students with multiple majors, required classes often conflict, so moving classes and labs around has the potential of hindering these students' from graduating on time.

Lower level classes changing are disappointing too. Who knows how many freshmen and sophomores won't take a class they were set to enjoy because of the new schedule conflicts? Lab changes on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays effectively knock out a wide array of classes, either in the morning or the afternoon.

There should be a cut-off date as to the latest time a schedule change can be made. Students are forced to live by rigid dates that end when they can do things like add, drop, or withdraw from classes. Why can't faculty live by a deadline?

Another solution that would help avoid future problems would be to abandon the paper listings and use only the online class schedule feature on everybody's J/CX. That way, students must use the most accurate information

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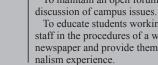


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Mission Statement

To serve as a check on WCSA, the administration, and the Board of Trustees. To maintain an open forum for the

To educate students working on the staff in the procedures of a working newspaper and provide them with jour-





Requirements to write a column

There is no good reason why I should be doing this. I mean, I had no experience writing columns when I was brought aboard for this gig.

There was no interview or audition; all I did was raise my hand when my then-Editor asked who was interested in writing a column-and boom; I had the job (a job, mind you, I have had since this year's freshman class was in diapers). Years later, I have written nearly fifty columns of almost every topic imaginable. And as the final semester of my college career is quickly approaching, my mortality as a college newspaper columnist is becoming increasso I can feel important.

You must have both an intelligent mind and a caring heart; no one wants to read about things of such bad taste like the killing of kittens or puppies.

Your readers are not just students; your readers include professors, janitorial staff, food service employees and administrators.

You must, must, must be creative; I consider myself a relatively creative person, and even I am at a loss some weeks when the time comes to write ANOTHER *#!@%\$ COLUMN.

If what you desire is to tug at people's heartstrings, it is best done accidentally. Whenever you try to pack an emotional punch, you will fail; and, conversely, readers will be deeply touched by what you write when you least expect it. Keep in mind that OWU's student body is generally complacent and disinterested. Don't even be surprised when your own friends don't read your column-just because you fill up space in a newspaper every week does not mean you are a big deal.



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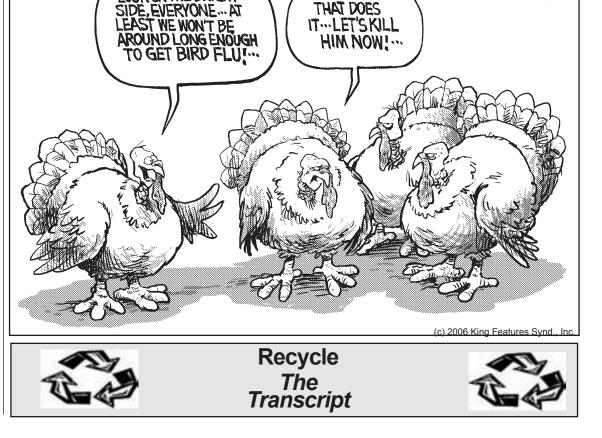
So, naturally, it is my desire with this column to begin cultivating future generations of Transcript columnists. What does it take, you ask? What must you know before diving head-first into a job such as this? Well I'm glad you asked, because here are your answers:

No matter what you choose to write on, if there is one person (just one) on this campus who you don't want reading your column a particular week, you can be sure that person will most certainly be reading your column. It's the Murphy's Law of column-writing.

If you write something inflammatory or incriminating, you had either have the goods to back it up or a one-way ticket to Tijuana. In case you hadn't noticed, we go to a very, very small school. People have a way of finding you. I know this; I have been stalked by fanatical readers. And by fanatical readers I mean imaginary friends of mine I hire to stalk me

Practice makes perfect; well, not perfect, but tolerable. When I go back and read some of my earliest columns, I cringe. Don't despair just because the kinds of columns you start out writing aren't masterpieces; give yourself time.

And finally, your voice mat-ters; big or small, loud or quiet: it is yours. Whether or not you are ever published does not matter; what *does* matter is your ability to be heard and your refusal to be silenced. May you never be silenced and may you always be heard.



The Transcript

Wanted: One Good Columnist

So the other night I was watching TV and learned of the Britney/K-Fed divorce and I immediately flipped to CNN, hoping for further info on the debacle. I

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Jerome in your home by Jerome Stenger

give an accurate, nonpartisan view of the

unique sexual attraction with his

slicked back, shiny gray mane,

like that of a wise lion beast. Also,

and most importantly, his name is

Wolf Blitzer. Just think about it.

news, but he gives off a

As I watched Wolf Blitzer feed

shouldn't have been sipping hot coffee at the time because upon the channel change, a close-up of Donald Rumsfeld's face poisoned my eyes and caused me to scream and spill the hot liquid all over my hairy belly; I was shirtless at the time.

This wasn't the first time a close-up shot of Rumsfeld's face startled me. It has happened roughly 482 times since he was sworn in as the 21st Secretary of Defense (SecDef) on Jan. 20, 2001.

Rumsfeld has taken most of the heat, insults, middle-fingers and back seat moonings from school buses for the decisions, or lack there of, regarding Iraq. Now I don't like Rummy, but not because of Iraq. I don't like him because he is terrifyingly ugly and is the reason for about 90 percent of American coffee burns.

Unofrtunately, looks play an important role in politics. Bush wouldn't have been reelected if he weren't so damn cute. Most people dislike Cheney. After all, he looks like The Penguin, the most villainous of Batman's foes. Some would argue that John Kerry lost the election because his face looks like a scrambled egg struggling with gravity.

Colin Powell sneaked away, but was only able to do so because he has no look. Everyone loves Condi; but why not? Condi is a supermodel compared to her co-workers.

When they showed a picture of Robert Gates, Rumsfeld's replacement, I was excited. For a 63 year-old, Gates cooled down the sizzling coffee on my belly with a calm look from his brown eyes. How kick-ass would that sound. Secretary of Defense Wolf Blitzer. Would you want to piss off a country whose SecDef not only had the first name of Wolf, but the last name Blitzer. I don't think so. **Evil Jerome:** Hey, tonight

we are going to attack Rumsfeld and the U.S., okay?

Evil Friend: No way man, Rumsfeld resigned. Wolf Blitzer is in charge now. I'm getting the hell out of here.

Evil Jerome: Oh man. I didn't know that. He will hunt us down like wolves and then blitz us. Let's beat it.

Without hesitation, the next man in line would be Anderson Cooper. While people who take last names and make them first names generally turn me off, Cooper would surely find a way to succeed. He has gray hair, blue eyes and tickles the erogenous zones of all women when he talks.

Evil Jerome: Hey, tonight we are going to attack Cooper and the U.S., okay?

Evil Friend: Can we make out with him instead?

Evil Jerome: Yes.

Last but not least, my final choice for SecDef would be Kevin Federline. Because what else does he have going on now?



Finding a way around NYC

Directing the tourists and locals to even the obsure locations



I am able to give people di-

People approach me on the

rections now, from landmarks to

street and ask me things, and to

my surprise, I am able to tell them

accurately where they need to go.

story downtown the other day and

asked how to get to Ground Zero.

then take a left. It's that way,

you'll hit it eventually," I told

them. I was slightly surprised

fore had stopped me and asked how to get to 340 W. $28^{\rm th}$ St.

Another lady a day or two be-

that I knew.

An older Indian couple stopped me on my way to cover a

'Walk down this street and

concert halls and in between.

"Well, the 300's are between 8th and 9th Aves., but that's an apartment complex so you'll probably have to go in and ask which address is 340 W. 28th St," I answered swiftly.

Graphic by Meghan Hensley Graphic Law Meghan Hensley

knew that before I lived there. Mainly, I know the area I cover because I am finding places and listing addresses in articles.

"We're playing at the Knitting Factory," one band member stated outside a club.

"Where is that?" another band mate questioned.

"74 Leonard St.," I responded as I waited to get into the club. "You should take the one to Franklin."

Music venues are my specialty...and not because I cover them all that much, I just happen to frequent them a lot.

"I want pleather pants and a skirt to wear to Albion," my friend Lydia said the other day while we were out shopping. (As a word of explanation Albion is the Goth club.)

"There's a store by Webster Hall on 4th Ave between 11th and 12th Sreets," I said. "I saw it when I was waiting for the My Chem concert."

I even got called a "real New Yorker" by someone the other day after a snide remark to their panhandling; surprisingly they laughed when they said it.

Physically, I fit in. I am probably approached for directions because I am a well-dressed young woman who does not appear threatening and mostly appear like I am going to work – which mostly I am. It just shocks me that I can actually give people directions with 100 percent certainty now that I'm not pointing them to their doom but rather their destination.

"Which way is Greene St.?"

"It's that way," I point then think to myself, "It's a couple blocks past West Broadway, I was just there last night. I wonder which number he wants, I could tell him which way to go once he hits it too."

It's a satisfying feeling.

Letter to the Editor

Rankings book plays big role in quality of a college

Dear Editor,

In response to the article that appeared in the issue of *The Transcript* regarding Ohio Wesleyan's ranking in the U.S. News and World Report "America's Best Colleges 2007", I would like to comment on a few things mentioned by our Vice President of Admission.

Drugovich keeps repeating in the beginning of every academic year, almost as an excuse of the performance of the Admissions Office, that "she thinks rankings help students thin their pool of schools, but don't necessarily heavily weigh on their final decision." Statements that are empirically unsound.

In another one of my *Transcript* articles published a year and a half of ago, I already commented on why it is imperative for OWU to make downward changes in its admission rate, how these changes are linked to our overall US News ranking and other important outcomes such as retention, faculty recruitment, media attention and relative standing to our peer institutions such as Denison, Kenyon and Oberlin.

The admission office touted in a September 16 article that the number of applications increased by 23% for the 2005-2006 class but the office failed to mention how that increase translated into the admission rate.

Had the admission office been a little more transparent about the admission rate from the admission cycle (which it hasn't), we might be able to draw some conclusions.

Prime among those are not how the average statistics (SAT scores, % in top 10% of their class, high school GPA), changed from the previous year, but how they changed relative to those of our peer institutions.

Due to a change of that relative position to other schools, I think

we are no longer in the same peer group with Denison. One can compare Denison's admission rate, average statistics against OWU's for this year and judge for himself.

In the October article, Drugovich continues, "I believe that outcomes based measurement – measurement that focuses on what the student actually learns and how she benefits from the educational experience - is a much more desirable approach to evaluating college educational experiences."

Researchers on economics of higher education issues have actually done a bit more than "believing" on the issue.

In a study titled "The Influence of U.S, News and World Report Collegiate Rankings on the Matriculation Decisions of High-Ability Students: 1995-2004, Amanda Griffith (a former peer) and Kevin Rask show that it is rational for college administrators to pay attention to their USNWR rank because it is an important influence in yielding accepted students.

In yet another study, James Monk and Ronald Ehrenberg focus on top national liberal arts colleges.

They found, with other factors held constant, that when an institution improves in the rankings the next year it receives more applicants, can accept fewer of them, a greater proportion of its accepted applicants enroll at the institution.

As a result, its enrolled admitted applicants average SAT scores improve and it can reduce the amount of institutional grant aid that it needs to spend to attract its class.

In contrast, when its rankings worsen just the opposite occurs; other factors held constant the next year the institution receives a smaller number of applicants, must admit a greater fraction of them, a smaller fraction of its admitted applicants enroll, the average test score of its enrolled admitted applicants falls, and it must increase the amount of institutional grant aid that it needs to spend to attract its class.

In short, changes in an institution's USNWR rankings affect both measures of its academic quality and its financial aid bill. A change in an institution's ranking greatly complicates the life of its administrators in charge of enrollment management.

The big question, left unaswered, is when the Admission Office will make changes to perhaps one of the most important factors that our ranking is sensitive to – the school's admission rate. Even current OWU students cite the "ridiculously high acceptance rate" among the worst things about OWU in the Ohio Wesleyan University guide book published by College Prowler this year.

> Sincerely, Plamen Nikolov ('00)

Smallpox and anthrax ideal biological weapons

By Greg Stull Guest Reporter

Richard Preston, writer of The Hot Zone, The Cobra Event and The Demon in the Freezer, told an Ohio Wesleyan audience on Tuesday, Nov. 7 that he does research for his books through saturation reporting.

"You live the life of the people you are writing about," said Presto.

Preston's presentation, given in Gray Chapel as a part of the Sagan National Colloquium series, was titled "The Demon in the Freezer: The True Story of the War Against Bioterrorism.'

He said in doing research for his book The Hot Zone, he learned what it felt like to be in a hot zone, a bio-safety level four region contaminated by the Ebola virus. Without this experience, he said, he would not have been able to write the book, about an Ebola outbreak in 1989 outside of Washington D.C. and the increased threat of tropical diseases. 'The other thing you have to do is absolutely experience the world

you are writing about," he said. For his book about redwood forests, to be released this spring, he said he climbed the redwoods of Northern California.

The redwood forests are magnificently beautiful and are only recently being explored," he said. These trees are old and vast, and they are filled with life."

Redwood trees house many unknown species that are now being discovered, including small pink worms and crustaceans, he said.

To get the necessary first-hand experience to write his book The Hot Zone, he said he visited Kitum Cave in Kenya, where some believe the Ebola virus originated.

"I went to the cave so I could describe it experientially for the reader," he said.

Kitum Cave, covered wall to wall in animal dung, is the kind of environment where a virus could easily be transmitted from one

animal species to another, like from a bat to a human, he said. After viruses perform such transspecies jumps, if they mutate, they may then be able to spread from one human to another, leading to an epidemic.

He said viruses like Ebola, which is "exquisitely infectious" when in direct contact with the blood stream, can be transmitted with great ease.

He said a photographer-who inadvertently brought back fleas from Kitum Cave to New York City-could have caused an epidemic. If the fleas were carrying Ebola and happened to bite a few rats, he said, the disease could have then been spread through the city's entire rat population. The rats could have then spread the disease to humans, causing an Ebola epidemic in New York City.

'The moral is, we simply cannot predict the ways and means, the portals of entry, these viruses can have," he said.

He said large, densely popu-

lated cities in tropical regions, in particular, face the treat of outbreaks. And because of globalization outbreaks of disease in once isolated regions can now be spread worldwide in 24 hours.

In addition to accidental epidemics, he said, terrorists using deadly viruses pose another possible threat.

Though smallpox was eradicated in 1979 in what he called "the single most successful campaign in medical history," resulting in 65 million saved lives; he said there are still strains in existence.

"It is now known that the Soviet Union had a stockpile of smallpox," he said. "Today we really don't know

where smallpox is in the world."

He said smallpox, which has a 33 percent fatality rate, is an ideal biological weapon because it spreads easily through the air and can be passed from one person to another by simple means such as talking. He also said anthrax could be used in a similar way.

He demonstrated the ease with which anthrax can spread through the air with baby powder, which he said is physically similar to anthrax. Against a black backdrop, he blew about two grams of baby-powder in the air, where it hovered like smoked and slowly dissipated throughout the room.

"The lung is the primary target of the biological weapon," he said.

Preston said biological weapons such as smallpox and anthrax should be combated with greater surveillance of infectious diseases by state and local governments. He said biological warfare poses less of a threat than biological terrorism, so we must "track the diseases in our community to better prevent bioterrorism."

Freshman Ed Shorrock said while he wished Preston would have talked more about the eradication of smallpox, on which The Demon and the Freezer is largely based, he still enjoyed the presentation.

Cottey explores humanitarian intervention

By Miranda Simmons Staff Reporter

Is the post-9/11 era the end of humanitarian intervention? That is the question Andrew Cottey, Senior Lecturer and Jean Monnet Chair in European Political Integration in the Department of Government at University College Cork, set out to answer Tuesday night.

Cottey started by explaining the positives and negatives of using military intervention in humanitarian projects after 9/11. On one hand, he said, is Darfur, which illustrates that the use of military force in humanitarian intervention is sometimes necessary. On the flip side, said Cottey, was America's attack on Falluga in 2005. He said it was, "a reminder that unpopular occupations will always degenerate into desperation and atrocity.

Cottey said today's practices of humanitarian intervention are defined by infringement of state sovereignty and forceful military intervention in contrast to traditional, non-forceful United Nations peacekeeping and significant humanitarian motivations. He also said there are three major trends currently occurring in humanitarian aid. The first is a shift back to UN power and operations; the second is a shift toward the regionalization of peacekeeping; the third

is new forms of western support for humanitarian intervention. The return to the U.N. is illustrated by

a new generation of peacekeeping operations. Cottev listed several examples ranging from Liberia in 2003 to the Ivory Coast in 2004 and Sudan, though not specifically Darfur, in 2005. He said these operations are defined by Chapter VII authorization, which is the part of the U.N. constitution that deals specifically with the use of military force, the relatively large size of the U.N. military and its growing, yet ever cautious, willingness to use force.

Indeed, at the Sept.

2005 World Summit, the Andrew Cottey of University U.N. made the statement, College Cork in Ireland speaks "We are prepared to take Tuesday night about the future of collective action, in a timely humanitarian intervention in the manner...should peaceful post-9/11 world. means be inadequate and

national authorities mani-

festly fail to protect their populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity.'

As with the U.N., Cottey said regional organizations are stepping up to the challenge of providing humanitarian interven-

tion. He gave examples of NATO in Bosnia from to 2004 1995 and Afghanistan starting in 2003; European the Union was active in the Democratic Republic of Congo in 2003 and Bosnia in 2004; and the African Union was active in Burundi from 2003 to 2004 and Sudan starting in

Cottey also said there have changes been in western support for regional peacekeeping. Instead of going

in themselves, the western powers-specifically the United States, United Kingdom and Australia-have provided operational support for the development of peacekeeping and intervention capabilities. They have supported NATO's Partnership for Peace as well as the G-8 action plan on expanding global capability for peace support operations.

In addition to speaking Tuesday night, Cottey spoke to a couple of Sean Kay's (professor of international studies and politics and government) classes Monday.

Senior Sarah Kovit, who heard Cottey speak in her American foreign policy class and also at the lecture, said she felt Cottey exemplified the problems between the world's countries.

"I thought he would be more up front and confrontational as far as Europe's opinion (of American foreign policy). I felt he was too reserved," she said. "He's from one of our allies (Ireland) and he wouldn't talk clearly about the problem."

Kovit said she felt Cottey was more open to being controversial in the classroom setting and that he was always guarded to student questions and comments at the lec-

Senior Jason Ramsey said he felt Cottey's lecture performance resembled more of a classroom lecture than a prepared speech.

"It would have been better if he didn't read directly from the slides," he said.

Houma

the bureaucracy involved in the application process. "The U.S. bought our land from the French in 1803 in the Louisiana Purchase. After that, we [the Houma people] were always suppressed simply because we were Indians. Now, one of the seven steps in gaining recognition is, essentially, 'proving that you're Indian,' which involves historical and cultural components. For some reason, we've been rejected for not meeting this requirement."

The discussion was hosted by senior Kara Manns, an off-campus member of the Peace and Justice House (P & J), for her fall semester house project. Manns collaborated with Daniel Montoly, a custodial worker in the HamWill, to

bring Dardar to OWU.

"I've always had an appreciation for issues concerning Native American sovereignty," Manns said. "Someone from my house put me in touch with Daniel, who, having visited the Houma Nation. knew Michael. The struggle he related sounded very much like the struggle any indigenous culture experiences in such a scenario.

He [Daniel] suggested I invite [Dardar] to speak and I'm very glad it was able to happen."

Montoly was a member of the spring 2006 faculty-staff mission team, the first of its kind, which connected him with Dardar. According to Montoly, the trip was "an incredible experience."

"The people were all impoverished and had many problems

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with hunger, electricity and sanitation," he said. "But there was an amazing sense of community and organization in the rebuilding process. They were so grateful and really reached out to us because they didn't have any federal support. We all worked together. people to people, human being to human being.

Photo by Ryan Kim 2004.

Night

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who may be disturbed by the him anytime an incident involving recent incident.

Walking with someone at night is probably the best advice, Wood said. Self defense classes and even mace if properly trained can be helpful, he said.

Dean of Students John Delaney said he encourages students to take all basic precautions when out at night, regardless of whether they are on or off campus, walking back to their rooms.

Try not to walk alone, call PS (x2222) for an escort through the Safe Walk program, walk in well lit areas and remain observant about their surroundings," Delaney said. "A student should not hesitate to use the emergency phone or a cell phone to call PS or DPD if he or she feels any concern about personal safety anywhere on or off campus."

Delaney said that it concerns

one or many students occurs, and he asks students to help keep the community safe by reporting any incident or suspicious activity on campus to PS.

'The higher investment a student can make in preventing and avoiding becoming a victim the safer we will be as individuals and as a community," Delaney said. "Our campus remains active for many hours during the day, and if students take some of the basic steps to protect their personal safety and their property, and help us by reporting anything out of the ordinary, we will continue to have a safe and welcoming campus.'

Delaney and Wood said Buildings and Grounds helped out immediately by trimming trees and bushes to make things more visible at night.

President's Ball Saturday, December 2nd 9:00 P.M. - 2:00 A.M. Conrades-Wetherall Science Center Atrium Tickets: Singles - \$7 Couples- \$10 **Shuttles will be leaving from Smith and Welch every 15 minutes**

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Bishops Sports

Men's Soccer

Neal leads on and off field

By Will Bridgeo Staff Reporter

The men's soccer team will play in theSectional Championship of the NCAA Div III tournament against Case Reserve University on Saturday.

Anyone affiliated with the team would surely agree that they would not be where they are without the play of senior midfielder Craig Neal.

Neal, a team captain, was the Bishops top

scoring threat this season, leading the NCAC in scoring with 14 points (10 goals, 4 assists).

Coach Jay Martin said Neal holds the ball better than anyone on the team and noted his ability as a playmaker.

"Although he has scored the most goals on the team, he is a better playmaker," Martin said.

Junior Nick Skoczen agreed that whenever Neal has the

ball at his feet Senior Craig Neal is currently leading the there is a good possibility NCAC with 14 points on the year and has he will make helped to lead the Bihops to the third round something of the NCAA Div III Tournament happen.

'He has the ability to create big plays and cause problems for the other team," Skoczen said. "Being our leading goal scorer, he obviously has no problem putting the ball into the back of the net, and at the same time he could be the one to make the perfect pass to set up a teammate for an easy goal."

Skoczen also pointed out the energy that Neal brings day in and day out.

"It's hard to explain," Skoczen said, "but playing with him and seeing him working hard makes you want to work just as hard to help the team.'

Neal's relentless work ethic has paid off for

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timate goal is to win the NCAC conference and qualify for the NCAA tournament.

"With our predicted finish in the conference and the recognition we received in the first national poll, we know we are a big game on other teams' schedules, but we are ready for that challenge as we try to achieve these goals," he said.

him this year.

After being sidelined for the second half of the season last year due to a series of abdominal injuries. Neal said he had to work twice as hard to get back to full strength this season.

"A lot of the time I was working out twice, sometimes three times a day," he said.

Coaches and teammates also agree that Neal's value is not limited to his play on the field. Martin said Neal is the best player on the field and a leader in the locker room.

"Craig leads by example. He has a burning

desire to be the best. He is not vocal but shows his teammates how to play and act," Martin said. Neal also serves a

positive role model for younger players on the team. Sophomore Andy Hoffman said he has learned a lot from watching Neal play the past couple seasons and has admired the way he carries himself on and off the field.

"Craig is someone you can easily talk to," he said. "If you have any problems with anything, Craig is there to help you out. I think that's important to have in a teammate.

Looking back on his career, Neal said he Photo by Ryan Kim doesn't regret anything about playing his collegiate soccer at OWU.

He said his career was highlighted when the team traveled to play in Germany last summer.

"It was such a good experience for us as a team," he said. "I think that's why we had such a good season last year."

Neal said his worst experience came when OWU suffered a demoralizing upset loss in the second round of the NCAA tournament to Calvin College last year.

Neal's soccer career at Ohio Wesleyan might not be coming to an end just yet. He has applied for a medical red shirt through the NCAA because of last year's injury and if it is approved he will return for one more season at OWU.

Neal said he plans to continue playing soccer after college.

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improve to compete at our highest level." The Lady Bishops will open their season at the Washington and Jefferson Tip-Off Tournament against Washington and Jefferson Friday at 6 p.m.

They start NCAC action on Dec. 2 against Hiram.

NCAA sectional matchups

On Saturday and Sunday, the men's soccer team will compete in the sectional finals of the NCAA Div. III championships.

This year, the tournament was expanded to allow 64 teams to compete, which means the Bishops must first win four regional games in order to advance to the national tournament.

The three other teams competing in the tournament this weekend are Case Reserve. who OWU will play Saturday, and Dominican and Montclair State.

Case Reserve won the University Athletic Association championships to claim an automatic berth to the playoffs and a first round bye. They defeated Denison 2-0 in the second round of play. This is the first ever NCAA appearance for the Spartans.

Dominican is making their fifth consecutive NCAA appearance after winning the Northern Athletic Conference (NAC) tournament. The Stars received a pool B bid and defeated Aurora 6-0 in the first round and then beat St. Norbert 2-0 to advance to the sectionals.

Montclair State won the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) championship and also won the NJAC tournament title, the first title for the Red Hawks in 17 years. The Red Hawks received a first game bye and then defeated Wesleyan (Conn.) 1-0. This is Montclair's first NCAA appearance since 1998 and its seventh overall.

The Winners of the OWU/Case Reserve game will play the winner of the Dominican/ Montclair State game on Sunday at Case Reserve. The winner of that game will advance to the national semifinals and championship which will be held at the Disney Wide World of Sports Complex near Orlando, Fla on Nov. 24-25.

Sherman and **Dennis named All-District**

Senior Kyle Sherman and junior Zach Dennis were recently named to the ESPN The Magazine All-District IV football team.

Both were first-team all-district selections and will advance to the national ballot for consideration for the magazines Academic All-America teams.

Sherman was a starting safety for the football team and is Ohio Wesleyan's all time leader in interceptions with 20. He also shared a team high 68 tackles this year. Sherman is a double major in history and education and has a cumulative GPA of 3.63.

Dennis was a starting wide receiver and led the Bishops with 32 catches for 540 yards and 5 touchdowns. He is a sports management major with a cumulative GPA of 3.62.

The Bishops finished their season 3-7 and 3-4 in the NCAC.

Sports Briefs

Women's Swimming

The women's swim team **Baldwin-Wallace** defeated Senior Whitney 135-104. Snow won the 500 and 1000 yard freestyle, while freshman Kendra Klossner won 200 yard freestyle and backstoke.

Senior Christina Schilling took the 50 and 100 yard freestyle events. Junior Katherine Donnan won both 1-meter diving events.

Schilling, Klossner, and Snow also joined with junior Kara Roby to win the 400 yard freestyle relay.

Men's Swimming

The men's swim team lost to Balwin-Wallace 94-126. Freshman Kevin Fahey won the 200 yard individual medley and the 500 yard freestyle event.

Also, freshman Brad Russell won both 2-meter diving events and freshman David Gatz won the 200 yard breaststroke.

Fahey and Gatz combined with freshmen Andrew Sisson and Usman Javaid to finish second in the 400 yard freestyle relay.

Women's Cross Country

Sophomore Catie Coleman was selected to compete in the NCAA Div. III championship meet.

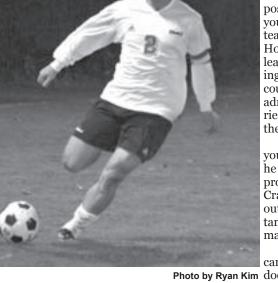
Coleman finished 17th among individuals at the NCAA regional championships and led OWU to a fifth place finish.

Calendar

Friday:

Men's basketball at Penn tate-Behrend tournament Friday and Saturday.

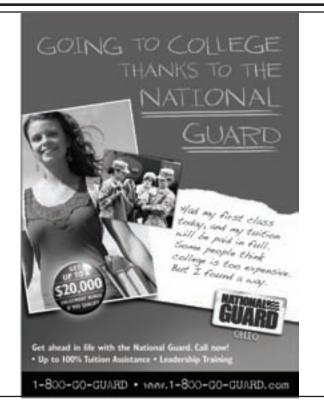
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Saturday:

The swim team's will travel to St. Louis to compete in the Washington Invitational on Saturday and Sunday.

Men's soccer vs. Case Re-serve at 11 a.m. in the third round of the NCAA tournament

Sunday:

If the soccer team defeats Case Reserve they will play the winner of Dominican/ Montclair at 1 p.m. at Case Reserve's field.

Tuesday:

Men's basketball vs. Washington and Jefferon at 8 p.m. at Branch Rickey Arena.

Women's basketball vs. Franklin at 6 p.m. at Branch Rickey Arena.



Bishops Sports

Bishops advance to tournament sectionals

By Ted Thode Staff Reporter

The men's soccer team has advanced to the sectionals of the NCAA Division III tournament, winning two nail-biters on Friday and Saturday against Hope College (2-1) and Ohio Northern (1-0).

On Friday night, in the first round game against Hope, OWU was first to get on the scoreboard. After eight minutes, senior Craig Neal stole the ball from a Hope defender near the box. Neal then played the ball into the box where junior Nick Skoczen redirected the ball into the net.

13 minutes in, freshmen Kevin McGowan fouled Hope's leading scorer, junior Dan Tresslar, close to the top of the box. Tresslar was awarded with a direct kick, which he drove past junior goalie Jamison Dague's reach. The game remained tied at 1 and it was left to penalty kicks to decide the winner

OWU's first two penalty kicks were drained by seniors Josh Warren and Nick Markovich. But Hope's Tresslar and sophomore Jack Abe also scored, tying the score at 2.

Neal put his kick into the top left corner of the net and then Dague made an amazing diving save on senior Craig Root's shot.

Next, senior Erik Ciccarelli buried his shot, which meant that another Hope miss and the game would be over. Dague guessed wrong and junior Patrick McMahon sent the ball into the left corner of the net.

When Skoczen went up to take what could be the last kick, the crowd was on its feet knowing a goal would advance the team. Skoczen put the ball straight into the net. OWU won the shootout in five straight shots and advanced to play in the second round.

According to OWU online, it

was the first time since 1983 that the Bishops advanced on penalty kicks

Coach Jay Martin said after losing to Allegheny in penalty kicks the team practiced

them every day. 'Good teams take every game and turn it into

a positive." Martin said. Prior to the game against Hope, Ohio Northern beat Transylvania by a score of 2-0, sending Ohio Northern on to meet OWU on Saturday in the second round.

The only goal of the game against Ohio Northern came after 17 minutes. After an Ohio Northern foul, junior Ben Brewer sent the ball into the box. Hope sophomore Aaron Collins attempted to grab the ball but couldn't hold on. Skoczen recovered it and sent the ball into the back of the net.

Ohio Northern's best scoring chance came after 54 minutes. On a corner kick, Ohio Northern played the ball into the box. Neither team could gain control of it, then the ball bounced to Ohio Northern freshman Cody Jones, who took a powerful shot that hit the side of the net.

OWU had chances to add insurance goals but did not connect. The game ended with a 1-0 OWU victory.

Martin said defense was the key to beating the team needs to attack

ment.

OWU will play Case Reserve in the sectional semifinal at 11 a.m. on Saturday.

The sectional semifinal will be Dominican (Ill.) against Montclair State (N.J.) at approximately 1:30 p.m.

The winners of Saturday's games will play in the sectional final at 1 p.m. on Sunday. All of the games will be played at Case Reserve at Case Field.

For information on how to get to Case Reserve, please visit www. case.edu.



Photo by Phil Salisbury

Ohio Northern and that the team needs to attack Senior Josh Warren challenges a Hope College defender as teammate Junior Ben Brewer looks on better for the next round in the first round of the NCAA Division III Tournament. The game ended in a tie but the Bishops of the NCAA tourna- advanced in penalty kicks 5-3. The team also defeated Ohio Northern on Saturday 1-0 to advance to the sectional championships which will be played at Case Reserve starting Saturday.

Strong junior and senior leadership key to success

High hopes for Bishops basketball this season Women's Basketball

ByDrew Lenox

Guest Reporter

Men's Basketball Team hopes to keep last years success going with teamwork

By Will Bridgeo Staff Reporter

The men's basketball team will try and build on last season's third place finish in the NCAC, under Coach Mike DeWitt. The Bishops went 18-9 last season helping DeWitt win his first NCAC Coach of the Year award.

The team was not hit that hard by graduation and DeWitt said they are not necessarily looking for one or two players to replace what they lost. We are hoping that the team as a whole can replace the scoring we

strong and experienced junior and senior class, she expects the women's Basketball team to do well this season. The Bishops, who went 14-12, 10-6 in the

NCAC last season, return 7 players that played an average of 15 minutes a game or more and return 11 letter winners

Coach Nan Carney-DeBord said with a

and played summer league this past summer. Then, when we came back to school, we continued working out with our conditioning and lifting, along with open gyms. I think that we are in the best basketball shape we have ever been in."

The team returns junior Kelli Lester who led the team in rebounds last season and junior Kathleen Cooper who led the team in assists.

The team will also return juniors Steffi Graf and Summer Queensberry along with sophomores McKenzie Robinson, Laurel Lawson and Stacey Aaron. Carney-DeBord said along with her returnees, freshman point guard Erica Gibson will contribute right away for the Bishops. "Gibson has a great understanding of the college game, great speed and great court vision," she said. Carney-DeBord said coaching additions will also help the team this season. She said assistant coach Jessica Viertlboeck, an alumnus of OWU, is a major addition. Carney-DeBord said assistant coach Stacy Reed, who left Delaware Hayes High School after coaching for 13 seasons to become an OWU assistant, also helps to strengthen the staff.

lost," he said.

DeWitt said he will look to the three seniors on the team (Ben Chojnacki, Ted Uritus and Matt Shirer) for leadership and court production.

He also said the team will probably not need to rely on newcomers to step up right away but said sophomore Kyle Miller, a transfer from Mt. Union, freshman Robby Gardiner and Brent Pleiman, a 6'8" center, may be ready to contribute.

Junior Jesse Jean said the team's key to success will be an up-tempo style of play.

"We'll be looking to push the ball up the court at a very fast tempo," he said. "We are looking to get more points out of transition this year."

DeWitt said the team will also rely on its depth.

"We will be using 10-12 guys on a regular basis," he said.

The highlight of the season last year came when OWU knocked off the top ranked team in the nation and conference rival, the College of Wooster.

Wooster and Wittenberg are ranked in the top 10 nationally for the preseason. DeWitt said the Bishops will also face tough road games at conference opponents Wabash, Earlham and Allegheny.

OWU will also play Illinois Wesleyan, who placed third in the nation last year, early on at the DePauw Mike Rokicki Community Versus Cancer Challenge.

Jean said the team has high hopes for the upcoming season.

We have a real good chance to be a great team this year, and we'll be helped with the support of our fans," he said.

DeWitt agreed that the expectations would be high. He said their ul

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The team was ranked fifth in the preseason media and coaches polls for the NCAC and Carney-DeBord said they are angry about the low ranking and that it doesn't reflect the teams real talent.

"I don't put a lot of merit in preseason polls," she said. "The team is angry because it shows some disrespect after going 10-6 in the conference. I think it will translate into the team's play because they want to suggest it was wrong. Fifth is middle of the pack, which is C, which is average and we're not average."

Junior Lindsey Macklin, who led the team in blocks last season, said she was also upset at the rankings.

"I don't think this [the ranking] reflects us at all," Macklin said. "I think we will compete with the top teams in our conference this year. The ranking just makes us want to show everyone how good we can be."

The Bishops will be led this season by seniors Rachel Messaros and Emily Lloyd. Lloyd was an honorable mention NCAC selection last year after leading OWU in scoring and steals.

Junior Malley Adamsky said the offseason has helped make the team better.

"The team has worked their butts off this offseason," she said. "We all ran, lifted, shot

Junior Steffi Graf said she is looking forward to getting the season underway.

"I think we are improving and connecting as a team each day," Graf said. "Of course a positive record and winning the conference is a measure of doing well but also the goal of having a high team GPA, reaching our full potential and playing like we know we can are goals."

Carney-DeBord said, "I think we have the potential to do whatever we want. We want to compete on the national level. We are performance and process oriented and not results oriented. We are focused on the areas where we need to

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