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McHale-Goodrum win top spots in WCSA

767 students cast votes in Wednesday's election

By Michael DiBiasio
Transcript Reporter

Juniors Rory McHale and Ben Goodrum became the next president and vice president of WCSA last night, winning 51.5 percent of the vote.

McHale and Goodrum built their platform on environmental and accessibility awareness and properly representing the student body.

"Everything we promised is next," said Goodrum, vice president-elect. "We're going to begin to fulfill what we said we would do in our platform, and nothing has changed."

"We said we would be accountable, we would be dedicated and we would be genuine," said McHale, president-elect. "That's what [students] can look forward to next year; working with the environment, working on accessibility and no DPD in our dorms."

Before the results were official, presidential candidate Stan Osei-Bonsu released a statement from his campaign, saying, "If the McHale-Goodrum ticket

is what [the students] favored, then we humbly accept this decision without question."

Osei-Bonsu and his running-mate, Kristina Fitch, received 35.2 percent of the vote, while the Amanda Zecheil-Anthony Rosato ticket received 13.3 percent.

Zecheil also said she was satisfied with the future president and vice president.

"I am so proud of the student body's choice of Rory and Ben," Zecheil said. "I trust them and their platform, and I am excited for their leadership. They have been so supportive of me, and I am thankful to have gotten to know them both better through this process."

McHale and Goodrum hope their fellow candidates will consider running for a class representative position, or stay involved in WCSA in other ways.

While McHale and Goodrum received more than the required 50 percent to win the president-vice president election, the treasurer election could not be decided last night.



Photo by Greg Stull

Juniors Ben Goodrum (left) and Rory McHale triumphed in the election with 51.5 percent of the vote Wednesday.

A run-off election will be held next Wednesday between candidates Adam Koorn and Christopher Kelley, who received 34.02 percent and 37.43 percent of the vote,

respectively. (Treasurer candidates junior Jeremy Reeves and senior Matthew Greene received 15.71 and 12.84 percent of the vote, respectively.)

Shortly after he learned of

his own victory, McHale gave his endorsement to Christopher Kelly in next week's election.

The future secretary, freshman Yashika Shah, who ran unopposed, was also named last

night.

In yesterday's election, 47.5 percent of the student body voted. Not since 2005 has more than 40 percent of the student body voted in a WCSA election.



Eve 6

Photo from Eve6.com

Eve 6 to rock out Gray Chapel

By Ryan Armstrong
Transcript Reporter

Alternative rock band Eve 6 is scheduled to perform Friday, March 28, in Gray Chapel at 8 p.m. thanks to the help of OWU's radio station 98.7 FM WSLN "The Line."

Senior Rachael Roettenbacher said she emailed someone associated with the band, and he contacted Eve 6.

"I've been a fan of Eve 6 from the first time I heard them," Roettenbacher said. "When I found out they were possibly touring in the spring, I jumped on the chance to see if we could bring them to OWU."

Punk-pop trio Eve 6 formed in 1995 in California and became one of the mainstream alternative powerhouses of the late 1990s.

The band's name came from one of the early episodes of the television series X-Files called "Eves." The show featured genetically engineered characters, one of which was named Eve number six. That character made a remark about biting a guard's eyeball, and the band liked the

comment so much they named the band Eve 6.

Their predecessors stack up to what was the height of the early '90s height grunge movement. Bands such as Bush, Nirvana, Pearl Jam, Soundgarden, Stone Temple Pilots and the Smashing Pumpkins were part of this wave through the mid-90s.

Though their sound is somewhat different from these bands, they followed in their footsteps as far as being successful in the alternative genre. Clear artistic influences of Eve 6's include Everclear and the Foo Fighters.

"We get a very nostalgic feeling from this band," Roettenbacher said. "We always remember what happened while we listened to the songs."

Originally called Eleventeen, Jon Siebels and Max Collins signed a contract with RCA while still attending high school. It took them two years to get signed and find a full-time drummer.

They recruited Tony Fagenson and then released their self-titled debut in the

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What do OWU students want?

By Greg Stull
Managing Editor

A few of the most prevalent student concerns with Ohio Wesleyan are waste management, cultural sensitivity, campus up-keep and under-funding of Small Living Units (SLUs), according to a student-produced report on the wants of students.

Senior Stan Osei-Bonsu and sophomore Kristina Fitch, the runner-up candidates for WCSA president and vice president, respectively, surveyed students and student groups across campus during the last few months to determine which issues are most important to students, Fitch said. This research provided the basis of their report, titled, "What Students at OWU Want."

Other common concerns of students are the lack of a neutral social setting, the retention rate, the handicap-inaccessibility of the campus, the lack of school spirit and unfamiliarity with how WCSA operates and spends its money, according to the report.

Fitch, a Thomson representative for WCSA and a member of the Campus Relations Committee, said the concerns were generally consistent across the campus, and especially within the SLUs, which she said are facing similar issues.

"The SLUs are one of the main things drawing students to this school, and we're letting them fall apart," she said, noting that poor conditions of SLUs are generally ignored by WCSA and the university.

Fitch and Osei-Bonsu, co-founder of the Ghana Student Education Fund, said they distilled the most common student concerns into three

major goals, forming the foundation of their platform for WCSA president and vice president: to improve student life and create a more united campus, to get the student center up and running and to make Ohio Wesleyan a more "green" campus.

"A lot of these things are very doable," Fitch said of their goals. For example, she said, improving food on campus—a subset of improving student life—should be an easy goal, as Gene Castelli, senior director of Dining Services, is generally more than willing to accommodate student requests.

Osei-Bonsu said that Castelli is helping them "get around the monopoly of Chartwells" to serve more international food on campus.

Castelli said Dining Services is working with the WCSA Food Committee, of which Fitch is a member, to put together a survey that will assess what students want from Dining Services. He said international food options will be one of the topics of focus in the survey.

Castelli said efforts to provide more international food in the past generated considerable complaints.

"For instance," Castelli said, "in response to many requests for Indian cuisine, we ran one of the sections of the Food Court as an Indian menu each lunch. The other five main areas were unchanged. Yet despite the requests, we soon heard many complaints about 'not Indian food again!'"

Castelli said while Dining Services likes to provide themed menus, it tries to avoid boredom. "We constantly try to balance the double-edged sword of variety and boredom," he said.

"The best thing that has happened the last several years is the dialogue

between WCSA and Dining Services has been constant," he said. "Students are involved in material decisions, because they are educated on the realities of the program, what it can do, and more importantly, what needs to be done to effect change."

Osei-Bonsu said to improve campus connectedness, they would like to establish a policy requiring WCSA representatives to attend at least two-thirds of campus events.

"Why can you fund an event and not go to it?" Osei-Bonsu said. "What kind of example does that show?"

Osei-Bonsu said making Ohio Wesleyan a more "green" campus is also a reasonable goal, as the next National Colloquium will center on that very issue.

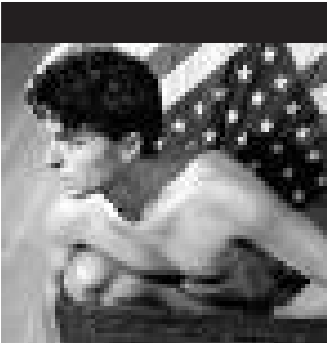
Fitch said she and Osei-Bonsu had no intention to run for WCSA when they first started talking to students about which campus issues they found most important; their initial plan was just to inform WCSA of these issues so that it could take action on them. But she said they realized the best way to address student concern would be to run for WCSA.

"I think out biggest obstacle (to addressing student concern) is getting elected," Fitch said. "The easiest way to give them what they want is if we are elected."

Fitch said if they lose the election, "they are not going to disappear"—they are just going to have to address these issues through different avenues.

"If not elected, we'll have to go through WCSA," Fitch said, as regular students have to go through WCSA before they can present to

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Involvement, transparency among issues discussed at WCSA debate

By Myra Blackburn
Transcript Reporter

WCSA candidates for president, treasurer and secretary participated in a debate Monday to discuss various issues that will generate a stronger connection between students, WCSA and the administration.

Juniors Rory Mchale and Ben Goodrum, Amanda Zechiel and Anthony Rosato, and Stan Osei-Bonsu and sophomore Kristina Fitch ran as running mates for the presidential and vice-presidential positions. Juniors Christopher Kelley, Jeremy Reeves, Matthew Green and sophomore Adam Koorn ran for the treasurer position. Freshman Yashika Shah ran unopposed for the secretary position.

McHale is currently a Small Living Unit Representative and a chairman on the WCSA's Judicial Affairs committee. Last summer he interned at the Wesleyan Washington Program in Washington, D.C., where he worked for the rights of women who are incarcerated. He was elected as the sophomore class representative for the 2006-2007 academic years.

Goodrum is the vice president for the Amnesty International Club and a vice chair student board member for the sociology-anthropology department. He served on the Executive Board for the Student Union on Black Awareness (SUBA) and was a team leader for Spring Break Mission Trip.

Goodrum said the general issue on campus is that the student government is inaccurately representing the student body, and that the faculty and staff could better accommodate students. Goodrum and McHale said one of their issues included in their platform is to make the facilities more ADA accessible for those with physical disabilities.

"We want to combat discrimination against those with physical disabilities," Goodrum said. "The school doesn't represent those with [physical disabilities] and we should take a stance against this."

Goodrum and McHale said STD testing should be free or affordable to students if the university is concerned about stu-

dents' sexual health.

"(The university should) provide free STD testing for students," Goodrum said. "The school claims they have a vested interest in (the health or well-being) of the student body. Then it should be the university's responsibility to make sure that STD testing is available and not anything that may not be (affordable)."

McHale and Goodrum are strong advocates for recycling and controlling environmental issues to decrease the crisis of global warming.

McHale said he wants Chartwells to eliminate the non-disposable plastic dish wares and utensils by replacing them with dishes that are reusable. They want to establish more recycling bins around the Delaware and OWU communities to eliminate pollution or other issues that are hazardous to our environment.

Osei-Bonsu served on WCSA as a sophomore during the fall semester of 2006-07, and was appointed to the 2006 Student Homecoming Committee (SHO). He was also the president of Rafiki Wa Afrika and the vice president of SUBA. He helped establish "Students for Barack Obama," and is currently a part of the International Student and Faculty Board.

Fitch is currently serving on WCSA as the Thomson Geographical Representative, is a member of the campus relations committee, the food committee, and is a freshmen orientation leader.

Osei-Bonsu and Fitch said their platform is about bringing a positive change to the student body as well as student activism to our student government.

"Bringing participatory government back to student government is one of the main issues. We want to get students involved in the decision making process by way of involving student leaders who already establish themselves as spiritual guides and leaders on campus," Osei-Bonsu said. "We want to be able to speak to students about issues before WCSA votes on those issues."

Fitch agrees with Osei-Bonsu.

"We want to bring leaders

from every sorority, fraternity, and the SLUs to have meetings and approach the executive committee about issues and concerns discussed in those meetings," Fitch said. "We want the entire campus making decisions [because] we want our campus to be united."

Amanda Zechiel served as the Geographical representative for Smith West Residential Hall and vice president for the Kappa Phi Christian Women Service Organization. She is currently the orientation team leader for the 2008 freshmen orientation.

Rosato is currently the junior at large Geographical representative and the Student Judicial Advisor for Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity. He was also the freshman Smith East Hall Geographical Representative and Sophomore-Fraternity Geographical Representative on WCSA.

"Our student activity fees give WCSA the money it delegates every year," Zechiel said. "Unless this amount goes up, we are limited in the money we have. However, in the past, it has proven to be plenty when delegated fairly and responsibly."

Zechiel said the issues on campus are increasing the student involvement with programming.

"Changing the way WCSA relates to the student body, the administration and itself (is important)," Zechiel said. "We must be more accountable to our constituents by communicating more clearly with them. We must create strong bonds with Rock Jones and his administration, (by) making it clear that WCSA is the voice of motivated and interested students of this school."

"(The current executive committee on WCSA) has worked so hard this year, and really plan to follow in their footsteps and go above and beyond in any ways we can," Zechiel said. "We are so thankful for the legacy we are inheriting, but are excited to create change and movement on this campus in new ways."

The election was held on Wednesday, March 26, in Hamilton Williams Campus Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Welch Dining Hall from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.



Photo courtesy of Lydia Spitalny

Senior Lydia Spitalny spends time with a Kenyan family on her semester abroad.

Bodo Initiative hopes to give kids a chance at education

By Samantha Beany
Transcript Reporter

Senior Lydia Spitalny discovered her passion. She didn't know it would take her to Bodo Village, Kenya.

Spitalny spent four months in Kenya. One month of that time was dedicated to an independent study on girls' education in Bodo Village.

"Many girls don't go to secondary school," Spitalny said. "They suffer from traditional gender roles that require them to do five hours of chores after school and leave little time for homework."

"They all knew education was important, but they all saw education as employment," Spitalny said. "And employment equals money."

Men are seen as the bread winners, so they are put through school more often than girls. But not a lot of boys make it to secondary school because their families don't have enough

money.

Spitalny returned to Ohio Wesleyan and decided to establish the Bodo Initiative. The program, through the Education for the Future Foundation (EFF), sponsors two girls and two boys.

EFF describes itself as a "non-profit organization that works closely with local schools and communities to provide capable students with access to education."

"The goal is to establish a sustainable fund so there is a pool of money available to all students," Spitalny said. It costs \$450 to send a student to one year of school.

"The organization expects an individual to sponsor a child year to year, but it's not necessarily individuals," Spitalny said. "There can be group donations."

Spitalny said the Bodo Initiative will provide sponsorships and money to improve schools with computers and supplies.

"We can't improve education without helping local schools," Spitalny said.

On Sunday, Spitalny and junior Whitney Morgan, who also spent last semester in Kenya, hosted an event called "Evening of Kenyan Culture." It was both an educational program and information session on the Bodo Initiative.

Spitalny and Morgan cooked traditional Kenyan food and demonstrated how to eat rice with one's hands, which involves balling up the rice, moistening it and then tossing it into the mouth.

"I was terrible at it," Spitalny said. "After a meal I would be surrounded by rice."

Morgan said, "You eat with your right hand because the left is used for wiping yourself."

Spitalny is an International Studies major, with a focus on Africa, and a dance minor. She said she hopes to return to Kenya after she graduates from OWU.

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they could address these issues directly and negotiate with the administration more easily.

According to the report, the investigative method for the project followed a "sample pool approach," picking "random samples" from "different SLUs and Residential Halls." Osei-Bonsu said he and Fitch talked to an estimated 400 to 500 students throughout the research process.

The report lists the specific concerns mentioned by members of the Peace and Justice House, the International House, selected Welch residents, select-

ed Stuy residents, selected Smith residents, selected members of Student Union on Black Awareness (SUBA) and selected members of different fraternities and sororities.

Both the Peace and Justice House and the International House (IH) suggested the creation of an on-campus bar or club and improvements to campus food, including more options, more international dishes and healthier food.

Selected Welch, Stuy and Smith residents all raised questions about WCSA's responsibilities, with the Stuy residents asking for more accountability of WCSA funds.

The selected members of SUBA called for greater cul-

tural understanding and greater promotion of minority events by WCSA, which aligns with IH's call for greater promotion of diversity at Ohio Wesleyan and better advertisement of cultural events on campus.

The selected members of different fraternities and sororities called for greater support from WCSA and the administration in promoting Greek life in general as well as more advertising by the university for Greek Week and other Greek-related events.

The report was made available to students via a campus-wide email sent by Osei-Bonsu as a promotion for his WCSA presidential campaign.

Casting ballots on election day



Photo by Danny Eldredge

Senior WCSA representatives Ben Owen (left) and Joey Yost hand out ballots during Wednesday's election in the Hamilton Williams Center.

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In Beeghly Library, a sculpture composed of stacked books is covered with plastic

Art covered to stir interest

By Mary Beth Scherer
Transcript Reporter

Students, faculty and staff might have wondered why the art inside and outside of Beeghly Library was covered with white plastic last week.

About six art majors joined together and covered sculptures, paintings, prints and photos in Beeghly Library in an effort to draw attention to the art present throughout the campus.

Junior Oksana Pelts, Spring Art Show coordinator, helped cover the art. She said she heard a lot of students asking why the art was covered.

“Usually people on campus are so busy they don’t notice how much art there is,” Pelts said. “Covering it up might make students appreciate the arts on campus more.”

Senior Sarah Hahn, Spring Art Show coordinator, said she enjoyed watching people look twice when they passed the covered art.

Freshman Amanda Caserta, who works at the front desk in Beeghly, said she saw the students covering the art, but wasn’t sure what was going on.

“I thought maybe they were changing [the art] or packing it up,” Caserta said.

Caserta said she heard a lot of students asking why the art was covered up, but no one was quite sure what the answer was.

Hahn said she wanted there to be this element of confusion.

“If students were told what was going on ahead of time, it would take away from them actually thinking about why it was covered up,” Hahn said.

Caserta said she thinks the project probably impacted those who take the time to look at the art. She said student’s who don’t appreciate the art might have noticed something new and, as a result, become more appreciative.

Hahn said she hopes students will take a closer look at the art now that it’s uncovered.

Pelts said students also decided to cover the art to promote the Spring Art Show, where students will win monetary awards for their work. The reception for the art show takes place on March 27.

Faculty, ASC tweak academic policies and course catalog

By Kaitlin Thomas
Transcript Reporter

At their monthly meeting on Monday, faculty members heard reports concerning the National Colloquium, changes to the course catalog and news regarding university developments.

During his report from the Academic Policy Committee, Bradley Trees, professor of physics and astronomy, announced that the National Colloquium will be changing for the 2008-2009 academic year.

Though the proposal has yet to be drawn up, Trees said the plan is to lengthen the program to a full year with more time in between speakers.

Trees also announced that next year’s Colloquium will be based on environmental, or “green,” issues, with students taking an active part in year long projects.

Also during Trees’ report, faculty members voted to make three previously temporary courses permanent courses in the university course catalog. The three courses are EMAN 103, Investment Practicum; SPAN 360, Twentieth and Twenty-First Century Mexican Literature and Popular Cultures; and UC 495, Summer Internship.

The internship credit will be repeatable.

Additionally, two temporary summer courses were proposed. Those two courses are GEOG 200.1, Geographic Analysis of Agriculture Production in Central Ohio; and JOUR 300.3, Photojournalism.

Other changes to the course catalog were proposed by the Academic Status Committee. Dale Brugh, associate professor of chemistry, said the committee has been working to revise the policies regarding probation, dismissal, appeal and rein-

statement of students.

The proposed changes will hopefully force students to take an active interest in their academic progress earlier in their careers at Ohio Wesleyan, Brugh said.

The changes will limit the amount of times a student can apply for reinstatement following a dismissal from the university. By doing this, the committee hopes students will work harder earlier and thus lead to fewer dismissals.

In his report, David O. Robbins, interim president and provost, announced that Ohio Wesleyan has already received \$3.4 million of the projected \$3.8 million goal for the 2007-2008 year.

Also, Robbin said, the Annual Fund is up eight percent, and he is optimistic Ohio Wesleyan will reach and exceed its goal.

In other business during the meeting:

- Deposits for the incoming class of 2012 are up 31.9 percent. There are 120 deposits in.
- A memorial was read by Bonnie Milne Gardner in honor of the late Robert R. Crosby. Crosby was a member of the class of 1939 and an professor of theatre from 1958 to 1983.
- Elections were held for various faculty committees. Members were elected by the faculty present.
- The Committee on the Status of Women proposed a revised University Sexual Harassment Policy. Changes included an extension of the policy to all employees, staff and faculty, whether they are on or off campus.
- Junior Ryan Jordan, president of the Student Development Council, announced an event for Tuition Free Forward. It will be held on Friday, March 28, in the Hamilton Williams Campus Center atrium beginning at 11 a.m.

OWU mission team focuses on urban poverty in Chicago

By Emily Hastings
Transcript Correspondent

During spring break, the Chicago Mission Team saw a side of Chicago that most people would choose to ignore.

There are well over 15,000 homeless people in Chicago, and roughly 10,000 of them are children, said senior Amy Tuttle, the team’s student leader.

Homelessness is defined as not having a stable residence due to income. Therefore, it includes those who are renting hotel rooms, living on the streets, or sleeping on a friend’s couch, known as “couch surfing.”

The mission team focused on urban poverty in Chicago and worked with four organizations: Inspiration Café, Uptown Christian Ministry, Daughters of Charity and Dignity Diner.

Inspiration Café serves meals to the homeless, but in a different manner than other soup kitchens. It allows the homeless to sit down, choose a meal from a menu and be waited on rather than walk through a cafeteria line with the food already chosen for them. The team members helped to prepare the food and then worked as servers.

Inspiration Café’s motto is dignity. They believe that if you take away a person’s choice, such as choosing your own food, then you are also taking away their dignity.

“There was a pig with wings painted on one of the walls because these people may come in with impossible situations, but this organization gives them wings to fly,” Tuttle said.

At Uptown Christian Ministry, the team did not interact much with the homeless but rather worked behind the scenes and saw what goes into running a non-profit organization.

They washed windows, cleaned carpets and straightened the food pantry. Tuttle said it gave her a new perspective of how understaffed the organization really is.

Daughters of Charity provides childcare for single mothers who otherwise would not be able to work. The organization also provides education for the children similar to Head Start, Tuttle said. All the teachers must have an teaching license.

Dignity Diner serves family-style vegetarian meals every week. Here, the team served the homeless, and then were able to sit down and eat with them.

One day, the team made bag lunches to handout to the home-

less. They split into four groups to cover different sections of Chicago. Tuttle said they wanted to initiate conversations with the people they met instead of merely giving them food and walking away.

“At first it was hard to talk with people,” sophomore Giang Le said. “Many were very open with us, but some were hostile.”

Tuttle said one of her highlights of the trip was being able to sit down and talk with Eric, a college graduate and homeless man originally from Colorado.

“He was very patient with us and honest with his situation, even though I’m sure we were asking some pretty ignorant questions sometimes,” Tuttle said.

One of Eric’s ideas to change his situation was that if each person that passed by him gave him a penny, he would have enough money in just a few days to rent a hotel room, buy a nice outfit, and go to a job interview.

He said the problem is finding people who trust him to spend the money wisely.

“It was an eye-opening experience that put things in perspective with our position in society,” Tuttle said. “Some of the people we talked to had college educations and came from similar backgrounds. It’s easy to think of how different we are, but in the end we’re not really that different.”

The group also met with four speakers from the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless, an organization that promotes activism and the use of economic power to make a difference.

All four speakers were once homeless and shared their stories with the team.

“They said the most important thing is for people passing by to just say ‘hi’ and not ignore them,” Le said.

Le is an international student from Vietnam. She said she saw many differences in how the two

countries cope with poverty.

“I’ve have seen poverty in my own country, and it’s a lot different than here,” Le said. “There are poorer people but they aren’t as lonely because my country is more traditional and focuses on community. But in America, there are a lot more organizations to help the homeless.”

“I’ve never before taken the time to see poverty in our own country and actually having the chance to talk to these people was such a real experience,” junior Rachel Decker said. “They all have their own stories and are struggling in their own ways. It is just hard to see all of these people living on the streets and not be able to help them as much as you want.”

Sophomore Claire Everhart, the group’s spiritual guide, made journals for each team member filled with inspirational quotes and scriptures from the Bible, Quran, and Tanakh that motivated them to think about poverty.

At the end of day, the group would meet anywhere from a half hour to three hours to discuss their day. This gave the group an opportunity to talk about the spiritual implications of what they were seeing and doing every day.

“We realized we didn’t impact the situation--the situation impacted us,” Tuttle said. “The problem is much bigger than anything we could do for it. It’s a lifelong process that takes a lot of dedication to make a difference.”

Tuttle said she thinks the group impacted people more on an individual basis, such as giving a much-needed sandwich to a man with diabetes.

“It was just the little miracle like that,” said Tuttle.

“The biggest impact was on a communal aspect; realizing humanity and the general sense of community with everyone we met.”

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T-shirts do the talking



This week, advocates for women's rights around Ohio Wesleyan gathered together for Women's Week, the Women's House's annual celebration of feminism. Clockwise from left: Sophomore Amber Cole decorates a t-shirt as a part of the Clothesline Project, a campus-wide art project that allows students to voice their emotions about violence against women. Upper right: T-shirts hang in front of Ham-Will as part of the display. Lower right: A painted sheet hangs outside the Women's House advertising Women's Week events. Lower left: Senior Kate Shannon paints a hopeful Clothesline Project t-shirt.

Photos by Danny Eldredge and Emily Rose

Cheer squad hosts clinic for kiddies

By Chelsie Pacha
Transcript Correspondent

The OWU cheerleading squad is spreading school spirit by holding a "Kiddie Clinic" Saturday, April 12, from 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. to teach young children some of their latest moves.

"Our coach, Kate Moses, came up with the idea," Sophomore Heather Harkness said. "The clinic is open to any child age 5-10 in the local area, and they do not have to have any dance experience."

Some of the cheerleaders said they want the experience to help the little girls develop a spark of interest at a young age.

"This gives girls a chance to either try cheerleading without making it a big commitment," Sophomore Eilyn Segura said. "It can spark an interest in cheerleading at a young age and can also show girls what it takes to be a cheerleader."

Harkness said the clinic will be a fun activity and a great learning experience.

"We hope to provide a sense of pride in cheering and dance," Harkness said. "We want to give a fun activity to the girls while also being role models for them and just have a fun experience."

The event will provide the girls with all of the basics of cheerleading.

"The girls will be learning jumps, motions, spirit, dance routines and more," Segura said.

Sophomore Kelly Gardner said she is excited to bond as a team while also interacting with local children.

"Most of the girls helping out with the clinic are either already on the squad, or plan to be in the squad next year," Gardner said. "It gives us a chance to get to know each other better, while also getting to know the younger children and giving them the

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Snowstorm leaves many stranded over break

By Kyle Sjarif
Transcript Reporter

As the last day before spring break arrived, a heavy blast of winter snowed many students in for as many as three more days.

A flurry of e-mails were sent around the campus web-mail accounts on Friday, March 9, as hostile weather conditions had already cancelled flights as early as 10 a.m. The first of the e-mails from Darrell Albon, director of International Student Services, warned the international students planning to drive or fly out to delay their scheduled trip until at earliest Sunday.

Many students were successful in departing from Port Columbus International Airport as they braved the heavy snowfall to catch their flights. However, a handful of students were left stranded in Delaware.

Senior Andy Hicks, who planned to drive to Chicago and Milwaukee, left school as early



Photo by Elliot Ares

Smith East

as possible to try and reach his destination. He decided to readjust his travels when he almost lost control of his car on the way.

"I think the school responded too late and they should have cancelled Friday classes by Thursday night," Hicks said.

Students traveling to more distant destinations suffered

even worse, as they were stranded at school without a definitive departure date prepared.

The decision to cancel classes and close the offices was not made until noon Friday, at which point the snow had piled up to around four to five inches. The National Weather Service issued a blizzard warning for the Delaware County area

which many students felt the school should have responded to earlier.

Junior Jonathan Forsgren was planning to drive to Oxford but was stranded for four days and was forced to organize new transportation. He echoed the opinions of Carrey and Hicks.

"Classes on Friday should have been cancelled to give students a head start home," Forsgren said.

Freshman Anh Vu, who remained on campus during Spring Break, said the emergency hours for Thomson store and Smith Dining Hall were insufficient. "The campus wide e-mail was only sent out less than an hour before the store was opened and it was not open for very long," Vu said. Furthermore he believed that the school did not sufficiently attempt to clear the roads after the storm passed which made walking through the snow highly difficult.

Let's start talking about the green grass of Spring.....

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Arts & Entertainment

'Glory Box' challenges sexual and geographic boundaries



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Performance artist Tim Miller poses in his "Glory Box."

By Mark Dubovec
Transcript Reporter

Combining rapid-fire and outrageous comedy with social criticism, performance artist Tim Miller held his act, "Glory Box," on March 19 on Chap-pear Drama Center's Main Stage. The show was sponsored by the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) Center.

"My shows are funny, over-the-top political rants and then making fun of those rants," Miller said.

The show was both hysterical and heartbreaking. He began by defining a glory box as the Australian equivalent of a hope chest. "It's about the struggle of his identity as a gay man and as an American," said senior John Betts, whose e-mail correspondence with Miller led to the performer's show at OWU. "This is the story of he and his partner's problems with immigration."

Miller and his partner of 15 years, Scottish-Australian immigrant Allister McCartney, might be forced to leave the country when McCartney's final work

visa expires on Feb. 6, 2009. While straight people are able to sponsor their spouses to become American citizens, gay couples aren't afforded that right. Miller said this situation affects 100,000 American citizens.

"Almost all the people in our situation have been forced to leave," he said. "It's something we should find troubling."

Miller added that only the United States among western nations denies this right to gay people; every other western nation and South Africa afford immigration rights to gay couples.

"This is the systematic denial of rights," he said. "It should shame us."

Miller said the General Accounting Office lists 1,049 different rights that are protected under federal law for heterosexual married couples, but are not for homosexual couples. "Things like immigration, tax benefits, health care," he said. "We pay almost twice as much every year (in taxes)."

McCartney joined Miller onstage following the show, and both answered questions from

the audience. "It kind of matters to everyone; everyone needs to take a look at it," McCartney said. "It's a human issue."

Sign up sheets were available for students to show support for gay citizenship rights.

The show garnered praise from OWU students and faculty.

"I've read his work, but I've never seen him perform live before," Betts said. "I'm thrilled to see him. It's been really amazing."

Freshman Kyle Herman said, "I loved how he took a humorous angle even though the things he talked about were tragic."

Professor Edward Kahn also attended the performance.

"He's a fabulous entertainer who also has something very personal and political to say," Kahn said. "Good theater connects to people on many levels, and that's something he does."

Miller also hosted a workshop earlier in the week for theater students.

"His workshop was really powerful; he knows how to connect to people," said sophomore Joanna VanSickle. "He's really loving. His passion shows."

Gym Class Heroes have built name on teenage attitude

By Catie Coleman
Transcript Reporter

As the first day of spring rolled in only a week ago, students were reminded of an annual Ohio Wesleyan tradition: SpringFest.

SpringFest, sponsored by Campus Programming Board, brings entertainment to the OWU students every year. This year, SpringFest will bring Gym Class Heroes to campus.

The group formed just over a decade ago and is currently comprised of vocalist Travis McCoy, drummer Matt McGinley, guitarist Disashi Lumumba-Kasongo and bassist Eric Roberts.

The name, GCH, was a result of where the friendship between McCoy and McGinley formed: high school gym class, according to allmusic.com.

The band won the favor of OWU students in a survey of possible performers compiled by the Campus Programming Board.

"Before Gym Class Heroes was selected for SpringFest this year, I hadn't heard them," junior Andrew Doll, CPB member, said. "Now that [I have], I am coming to enjoy their music. I find it new and different. They have a sound that I haven't heard before."

GCH was recognized as Best New Artist at the 2007 MTV Video Music Awards.

According to allmusic.com, the group's song, "Cupid's Chokehold", topped out at



Photo from gymclassheroes.com

Gym Class Heroes' most recent album.

number four on Billboard's Hot 100 and remained popular for several months following.

Even with all the awards, some students still aren't too pleased with the choice.

"I'll probably end up going, but I'm not that excited because it's not my favorite genre of music," junior Allie Cozzzone said. "I'm not sure how they'll be live."

The band released albums in 2002: "...For the Kids"; 2005: "The Papercut Chronicles"; and 2006: "As Cruel as School Children."

The last one earned them a spot on The Billboard 200 and the European Top 100 Albums

in 2007.

The success of the band, coupled with their fresh sound, is anticipated to draw a big crowd.

"We anticipate a great turnout," Doll said. "We always sell 2,000 to 3,000 tickets to both OWU students and non-OWU students. Last year, Ben Folds sold between 1,800 and 2,200, and we expect to sell more than that for Gym Class Heroes."

The show, sponsored by Campus Programming Board, will be in Branch Rickey Arena on April 18. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the show starts at 8 p.m.

Snoop Dogg still strong in 2008

Real Talk



Simon Brown

In hip-hop, the last quarter is always a very intense one. Lots of albums releases and stiff competition.

As a result, the first quarter is usually very slow. Rappers already released their albums, and, needless to say, the consumers are broke.

Releasing an album in January or February is very risky. Early 2007 only gave me one good album: Sean Price's "Jesus

Price Superstar."

So now that March is here, the albums are coming out. Now I refuse to punish my ears with Rocko or Shawty Lo, so this week I will review recent release, Snoop Dogg's "Ego Trippin'."

Snoop Dogg's ninth album, "Ego Trippin'," is a solid album. First off, Snoop Dogg steps out and stakes his claim as a diverse musician.

His hit single, "Sensual Seduction," has dominated the airwaves and the clubs. This is a good song mostly for its old school flavor and relaxed chill vibe.

He also uses samples such as Marvin Gaye and The Isley Brothers which solidify the old school tone.

He also uses legendary producer Teddy Riley on the songs "SD is Out" and "Gangsta Like Me." Teddy Riley is known for producing Michael Jackson's "Dangerous," and he was also a part of the group Blackstreet.

Snoop continues his old school style with the song "Cool." This song samples the song with the same title by the band The Time. This song has

an '80s Prince-like vibe.

He also has some very introspective songs such as "Neva Have 2 Worry."

Snoop proves he can do whatever he wants on a strong album. This is made certain when he does a rock song with Everlast called "My Medicine."

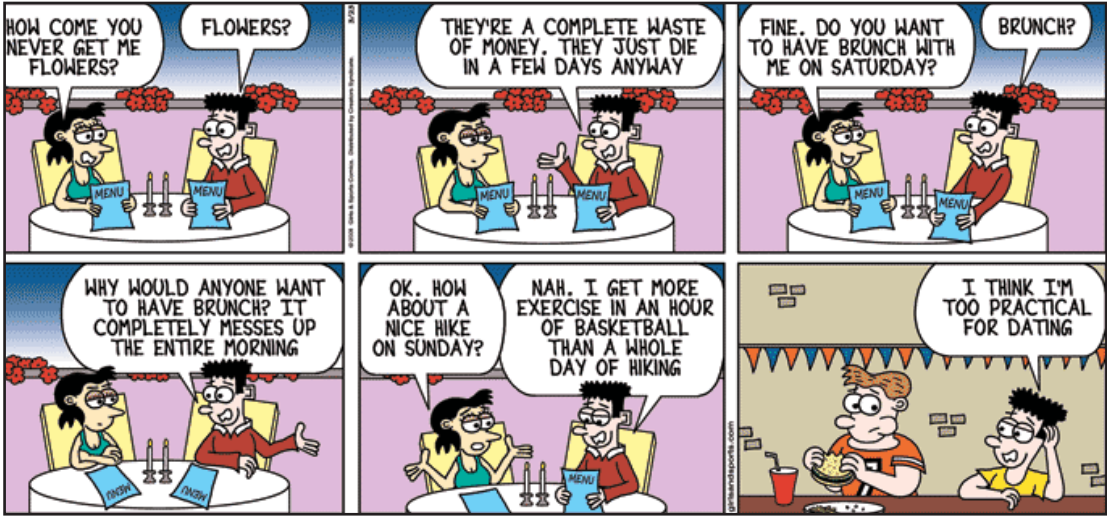
In the long run, I may not think this album is one of his best, but it certainly has some outstanding characteristics.

I respect the fact that he makes an effort to diversify his music. In hip-hop today, you find that every album has the same formula: a gangster song, a club song and a song for girls. Though his album has all of these, he incorporates different creative influences which show Snoop's experience in the music business.

In order to stand out, you need to make unique definitions. This is why Snoop Dogg is a stand-out character in hip-hop and there has never been any like him since.

This album has something for everyone, no matter what genre of music you listen to. I give this album an eight out of 10.

Girls and Sports



"Girls & Sports" is the creation of Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein, friends since high school in Denver, Colo.

'Buffy the Vampire Slayer' fan picks top episodes of departed show



That's What She Said BY Kaitlin Thomas

This past weekend at the William S. Paley Television Festival in Los Angeles, Calif., the cast of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" reunited for one night only.

I was a fan of this show from the very beginning. Even before it was a show, I was a fan of the horrible movie by the same name. So when the TV show aired as a midseason replacement in 1997, I knew before the

opening credits that this show would be amazing. (As a rule, I control the world and I can tell when things will be awesome and amazing.)

When I found out a few months ago that Sarah Michelle Gellar, who portrayed Buffy for her seven seasons on air, was going to attend Paley Fest '08 with almost the entire cast (she usually never attends these functions), I wanted desperately to get tickets to the panel.

I knew this was ridiculous; there was no way I was going to be able to afford the ticket to the panel, let alone airfare.

The tickets sold out in less than two hours.

We "Buffy" fans are insane, I

tell you. We are not a rare breed; there are many people who have followed in our footsteps, but "Buffy" paved the way for cult shows to become worldwide phenomena.

In honor of this cast reunion, the first this large since the show ended five years ago, I have created a list of my favorite episodes so you can all rush off and check out it out.

1. "Hush," season four. This episode has almost no dialogue and yet this is the only episode for which the show won an Emmy (the curse of the WB I tell you). When a group of fairytale creatures called "The Gentlemen" come to Sunnydale, they steal the voices of its residents,

for a human voice will make their head explode. They then proceed to cut out the hearts of seven people. Good times. Also, since there is no dialogue, it makes for funny and dirty hand gestures by many of the cast members.*

2. "Once More, With Feeling," season six. Yes, this is the musical episode. Before all of those other television shows attempted this feat (the "Scrubs" one was actually pretty good), Buffy did something else thought to be impossible. It created an entire musical episode complete with a dancing demon named "Sweet." This is also a fan favorite.*

3. "Tabula Rasa," season

six. In this episode, a spell is cast and everyone forgets who they are. Hilarity ensues. Quote: "Randy Giles? Why not just call me Horny Giles or Desperate-for-a-shag Giles?"

4. "Restless," season four. This is the season finale. Buffy, Willow, Xander and Giles are being hunted by the First Slayer in their dreams after killing the Big Bad. Also, The Cheese Man makes an appearance in every one of the dreams with no explanation. Plus, the line "A watcher scoffs at gravity," makes me giggle every time.

5. "Fear, Itself," season four. In this episode Buffy and Co. attend a fraternity party where, by a freak accident, a fear demon

is summoned that makes everyone's worst fears come true. The best part though? This is the only time a bunny costume is believed scary.

I'm adding a sixth because I hate odd numbers, and, according to Cappie on "Greek" on Monday, they are considered bad luck in some cultures.

So, for my sixth and final episode on this list: "Chosen," season 7. This is the series' finale. Buffy saves the world from her biggest apocalyptic threat ever. The last line? "What are we gonna do now?" End scene.

Check it out. You'll love it.

*These are actually tied. I flipped a coin for the list.

Opinion

Feminist struggle still facing a long and twisted road

By Michael Doherty
Guest Columnist



It is often argued that feminism is not really relevant to contemporary society. People often point out the Nineteenth Amendment, which gave women the right to vote, or Title IX, which ensures that women’s sports are not sidelined, and say that there is no need for feminism.

I agree that these advances were good, but I don’t think that it is appropriate to continue patting ourselves on the back because 88 years ago we finally acknowledged that women are also American citizens.

We should instead focus on what is broken now.

There are still problems feminism needs to tackle; there are still ways that women are oppressed, but they have taken on a form which is often as invisible to us now as blatant sexism was when it was still acceptable and common.

Much like racism, sexism has evolved to become more subtle, to escape the notice of the general public, but it persists none the less.

Today, sexism is not barefaced and obvious; instead it manifests itself as part of another issue.

The vaccine Gardasil has been in the news lately, so as you may be aware, it is a vaccine for the human papilloma virus (HPV), which is the leading cause of cervical cancer.

In other words, *there is a vaccine for cancer.*

Naively, I used to imagine that if a vaccine for cancer, any kind of cancer, was developed, it would be a cause for universal celebration. Instead, I live in a world where people argue against using Gardasil because it would supposedly promote promiscuity, or because some people say it would make women think that there are no consequences for sex.

Effectively, I live in a society where some people think that it would be better for women to get cancer than have sex in a way that they don’t approve of.

When it comes to birth control, the abstinence-only sex education movement purports to be the “moral” and “correct” way to teach the public about sex, but what it does is

obscure vital health information from the demographic of people who need it the most. I don’t know how it became vogue, let alone acceptable, to suppress health information and moralize about who “deserves” to get sick and who has “brought it upon themselves” because a value judgment has been placed on their sexual behavior.

What I do know is that withholding this information will hurt everyone, but especially it will hurt women. Women ultimately bear the burden of unintended pregnancy, and several sexually transmitted diseases, in particular HPV, often do not harm men or are completely asymptomatic, meaning they are likely to go undetected but can cause complications ranging from sterility to cancer in women.

When I see these things I am reminded that there is still a need for feminism, but I see a shortage of feminists. So, I ask everyone to come forward as a feminist, no matter your sex, if you believe in the simple idea that women are people.

In the end, that is what feminism boils down to, but I am surprised how often people, even women, say they believe in equal rights for women but object to identifying as a feminist.

I also urge men to be involved with feminism. There is a belief that feminism is anti-male and hostile, but as a male feminist, I can assure you that this is not the case. We may call them “women’s issues,” but these issues affect men directly, though we are often unaware of it. In any case, it is everyone’s responsibility to ensure that no one is disenfranchised.

In summary, I ask that you not allow yourselves to be lulled into complacency.

If you are vigilant you will find that there is still work to be done by feminism, and I hope that you will do it.

WCSA win recap; Nirvana club possible

Tackle Football

with
Rory
McHale



Ahhh, the champaign was flowing at McHale-Goodrum headquarters last night.

As *The Transcript* should have reported in this issue, Ben and I were successful in our attempt to win election to the WCSA top spots. (I write this article on Monday.)

Admittedly, things got a little out of control. Just before going to bed, I saw Goodrum with a lampshade on his head, dancing on a table. We all had a good laugh and a few lines.

The whole campaign team was able to let off a little steam built up over the last few years that we’ve been working together.

Scotty Johnson, our campaign manager, perhaps put it best: “Look at these luxurious prizes ... fabulous merchandise just waiting to be won today on *Wheeeeeellllll ... of ... Fortune!* A handsome 14 karat money clip and lighter! A pair of motorcycles! A handsome 18th century style secretary! Total retail value: over \$38,000!”

Yes it was quite a night.

Man, I really wonder whether or not I won. If anyone reading this paper can go back in time (I’m looking at you, McFly), please travel back four days and let me know. Also, bring lottery numbers.

But despite my newly-won governmental power, I must continue to faithfully be the best sports columnist on *The Transcript* staff. As such, here is the news:

The 4,000th American died in Iraq this week. That’s over a thousand more American’s than

on 9/11.

Thanks very much, George Bush. You’ve forever ruined 4,000 families and thousands more lives. And if there were a well-publicized count of the number of dead Iraqis from this war, the 4,000 mark would have been passed long ago. But I guess the war had to happen. Saddam would have killed us all and stolen our money and insulted our mothers.

My other big project is starting a new club on campus. A Nirvana Fan Club. A club, based on supporting and advocating for Nirvana (the band, not the state of mind; although, as a club we would not be opposed to it)..

I figure Nirvana is a popular enough band. Many fans on campus. Should be a large club.

We’ll get money from the school to buy a statue of Kurt Cobain and put it on the jaywalk. We’ll get additional fund-

ing and have the living members of the band reunite for a show during the statue unveiling.

If you’re an idiot (I know you are!), then you need to be told what’s funny about this. I think it would be cool to have an arbitrary band become the focus of one of the biggest groups on campus.

There would be several events a year centered around Nirvana. The band is defunct, yet they would be actively talked about all over OWU publications due to our work.

That’d be something.

I would like to end with my regards to a certain Distad, of the Henry variety.

After my involvement in a severe car wreck a few weeks back, young Henry heroically arrived on the scene to replace my car battery. I bought the battery (so I, myself, am a hero) but could not properly install it in my car.

Letter reveals big business in already-chewed food



Letters I found in the dumpster

by Tavish Miller

Dear Mom,

You’re right. You are my mother and I shouldn’t treat you this way. I want to buy you something nice, something you’ll like, maybe some fruit. Would you like some exotic fruit? I’ll buy it for you!

In other news, I am thinking

of becoming a business man. I had this great idea for a company that chews food for babies! I think babies would like actual food much more than they like baby food.

If they weren’t so dumb when they are born they would say, “Hey! Give me what you’re eating!” or “I’d like to wrap my gums around that turkey leg!” That’s probably why they cry so much. Don’t you think? Yeah, and I bet they wouldn’t have to wear diapers if we just made some toilets their size. Of course they poop everywhere:

they can’t reach the seat! DUH.

I think I have a pretty bright future in the business world. Maybe you could even help out; I’m gonna need people to chew all that food up. Let me know! I love you!

Zach

P.S. When did I get so fat?!

Dear “Son,”

Beware the business world! I was in the business world once meself, and now look ats me, I’m covered in socks.

That baby business a good idea thoughs. I might have to

take it meself. We could be rivals! Or maybe I’s could helps yas run it like ya says. I’ve got some good ideas meself!

For examples, why do we’s even needs babies!? We’s could run a baby exterminatings business. Or if that’s not your styles, why don’t we just make clothes outs of socks?

I’s is been gettin pretty good, and babies are just small peoples! I still needs food! Send somes! I don’t thinks eating letters is givin me’s enough proteins. But theys taste delicious!

“Moms”

Eastern Europe fearfully watches Red Dog sleep

A Global View

Alexandra Panait



There has been a long-lasting divide over the remnants of the Cold War. In the back of many politicians’ minds, there is still the West and the backwards East, and such line cannot be crossed.

“With or without us” is applicable to Russia’s current foreign policy as one can observe in the power’s political moves in the country’s backyard. Belarus, the eastern part of Ukraine, Moldova and South Ossetia and the Abkhazia regions remain witness to Russian imperialistic drives that survived the Cold War.

In Russia’s eyes, NATO will always represent the counterforce of its greatness, and such framework in the alliance system makes the state continue interfering in Eastern Europe. And what better occasion to be vitriolic against the West given the coming of NATO summit in April!

There is nothing new about Russia’s shadow on Belarus’ domestic and lack of foreign policy. A miniature of Russia,

Belarus promotes the interest of Russia.

Despite the recent increase in gas prices imposed by Russia, Belarus still forwards its anti-West status. And Belarus speaks this directly to the U.S.

Recently, the country asked the U.S. to reduce its diplomatic delegation in Minsk. Such a political movement was interpreted as unjustified from the American side, indicating the widening of the gap between Belarus and the international community.

There is little doubt of a future change in the country’s foreign policy, not to mention the prospect of engaging in the European or Transatlantic scene as other countries such as Ukraine are struggling with it. Belarus, a lost case for the West, a clear Russian game!

Nevertheless, the momentous reunion of the NATO delegation at the Bucharest Summit in April stands as an open gate to opportunities for Ukraine, a country following in Poland’s and Romania’s self-determinating steps and alignment with the Western bloc.

There has been a long history of Ukraine’s division between both Western determination and the Russified segment that hopes to dismantle a possible united voice.

The general view in Ukraine can be simplified as a lack of support of Western attitude, thus a clear stance for Russia.

Yet, the Ukrainian President Viktor Iuscenko and the Prime Minister Iulia Timosenko have been pushing for a NATO candidacy.

With less than a month before such a Western road can be opened, Ukraine vacillates on the French and German support for the MAP.

The message coming from European leaders tends to emphasize the feasibility of implementing social and political changes within Ukraine, rather than acknowledging aspirations to join NATO.

Such a practical viewpoint adopted by Europe is overestimated given Ukraine’s circumstances: the absence of a strong political campaign of informing the population about the advantages on being on the West’s side and the incontestable, more hidden Russian presence that benefits from such internal division.

A similar favorable approval of MAP membership can play out as a psychological effect, and, as a result, become the solution to the identity question that has plagued Romania and other transitional countries for a decade.

The Kosovo shadow still darkens Duma. Frightened by a possible spillover on the South Ossetia and Abkhazia, the Russian Parliament is debating a possible mission within those regions to restrain the Kosovo effect.

As it was predicted, Transnistria, Ossetia and Abkhazia demanded independence recognition after Feb. 17.

Yet, Russia is reminding Moldova and Georgia of the Russian economic support offered to those regions whose self-determination will not be official any time soon. And to curtail any further attempts, Russia is announcing a possible Moscow-Chisinau accord regarding Transnistria, requiring Moldova to not opt for NATO membership.

Again political concession is made at the expense of the Eastern Europe frailty, with huge benefits for Russia!

Is the Bucharest Summit going to stand still in front of such Russian movements?

Is it going to offer a chance to Eastern European countries?

Europe and the U.S. should realize the complications of any delays in shutting the door on countries and regions fighting for their independence.

And there is Russia, too, to consider.

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Bishops Sports

Cold weather keeps runners off the roads for now

By Clay Davis
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The blizzard of 2008 may have come and gone, but the cold weather has not. While the weather may be warming up, there may still be plenty of cold and miserable days ahead, and that is why taking care of one’s body is important to a runner.

Kris Boey, cross-country and track coach, sees the weather as a possible deterrent for those itching to run outside.

“The wind chill is the biggest thing in terms of health,” Boey said. “You might as well run on a treadmill or cross train in poor conditions.”

The cold and rain that could follow may be more of a hazard than the inches of snow that pile up on the running trails.

“Cold and rainy is much more of a concern than cold and snowy because of the saturation,” Boey said.

Matt Wackerly, an assistant cross country and track coach, sees the need for each individual to take care of his or her body not only while they are running in unpleasant conditions, but after.

“Do not sit around after you are done running,” Wackerly

said. “You do not get sick running in the rain, but after.”

The clothing that a runner wears is important to make sure that the run goes as smoothly as possible.

“Be in layers, especially if it is windy,” Wackerly said. According to Wackerly, a runner should not wear sweats when it is cold and wet out, because of the fabric, which is cotton.

Tim Hachmeister, a voluntary assistant coach for track, agrees with the Wackerly’s assessment, and sees the need of having the extra clothing to get a runner through the wicked weather.

“Have a layer that is going to stay dry,” Hachmeister said.

Despite the cold and wet weather that could be upon us, the possibility of snow is still up in the air, especially in Ohio. For Hachmeister, it is better to be safe than sorry.

“If you feel you are worried about falling because it is icy, or if you are worried you will not get back, stay close or run inside,” Hachmeister said.

Hachmeister, who competed at Illinois Wesleyan and graduated in 2005, sees the importance of being familiar with a run when the weather



is not holding up. Once when Hachmeister competed in college, he had a problem of running long distance in bad weather.

Hachmeister said when he was out on a twelve-mile run in Wisconsin, in the middle of nowhere on an icy day, he had a bit of trouble. So much so that he ended up falling and cutting his leg. That is why he advises runners to know their route when the conditions are

less than ideal.

“You do not want to be anywhere where you cannot see anyone,” Hachmeister said.

Matt Kempton (’07), who ran cross-country and track at Ohio Wesleyan for four years, understands that the path a runner takes in bad weather is critical.

“A main issue is that something may happen to you and you are stuck in the middle of nowhere and you cannot do

anything about it,” Kempton said.

Kempton currently is a personal trainer in Denver at Twenty-Four Hour Fitness. As a runner and a trainer, Kempton sees that some conditions are so bad that staying in doors, as hard as it may be, is better than the alternative.

“Obviously, you can get frostbit or stress on joints due to poor blood circulation,” Kempton said.

For a runner, it is especially important to pay attention to his or her body when running a workout. For Kempton, this means warming up longer.

“If a runner is doing any speed or interval workout, warm up longer,” Kempton said.

While many people choose to wear ear bands during runs, Kempton suggests otherwise.

“I would recommend wearing a hat instead of an ear band, since it will trap more heat in the hat,” Kempton said.

With cold weather, people may be less likely to drink cold fluids and be more likely to try and warm themselves up with a hot drink. However, according to Boey, a runner needs to still drink just as much water, if not more, when it is cold out.

“A lot of people will forget to hydrate,” Boey said.

If it turns out that the month of April will be as cold as December and January, then paying attention to the temperature will be just as important as paying attention to the level of precipitation.

Wackerly said it is optional to run outside when it is “below twenty or snowing.” A runner will feel the affects of the weather, if they choose to push it.

“Frostbite is possible, especially if you are going outside for a long period of time and your skin is exposed,” Wackerly said. “Also, breathing in cold air could be detrimental.”

Being careful on runs during bad weather is critical to anyone, and sometimes, it may mean a decrease in mileage or a slower pace.

“You will not go out as hard as you normally go,” Hachmeister said.

Even if the training is less than ideal, it is a small price to pay to stay healthy. Time, rather than distance, is key in bad weather.

“Look at the duration of the run rather than the distance,” Boey said.



David Gatz

Sophomore Gatz earns All-American in breaststroke

From OWU Online

Sophomore David Gatz (Delaware/Hayes) won honorable mention All-America laurels in the 200 breaststroke at the third day of the NCAA Division III championship meet, hosted by the College of Wooster on Saturday at Miami University’s Corwin M. Nixon Aquatic Center in Oxford.

Gatz finished 12th in the preliminaries of the 200 breaststroke. His time of 2:04.18 broke the school record of 2:05.17, which he set earlier this season.

In the consolation final,

Gatz finished fourth in a time of 2:04.53 to post a 12th-place finish in the event and receive honorable mention All-America laurels.

On Friday, Gatz achieved honorable mention All-America status with a ninth-place finish in the 100 breaststroke, becoming the first Battling Bishop men’s swimmer since 1995 to achieve that honor.

Gatz’s ninth-place finish in the 100 breaststroke and 12th-place finish in the 200 breaststroke accumulated 14 points for the Bishops, giving Ohio Wesleyan a tie for 32nd place in the final team standings.

OWU leads in NCAC All-Sports standings

From OWU Online

After the conclusion of the winter 2007-08 seasons, Ohio Wesleyan has taken the lead in the NCAC All-Sports Trophy chase.

Ohio Wesleyan compiled 44 points during the winter 2007-08 season, posting top-three finishes in four of the six winter sports, including championships in men’s and women’s indoor track & field and second-place ties in men’s and women’s basketball. The 44 points hiked Ohio Wesleyan’s total to 94 for the 2007-08 academic year, giving the Bishops a 1 1/2-point lead over Wittenberg and an 8 1/2-point lead over third-place Kenyon.

The All-Sports Trophy is given annually to the school that performs the best across the NCAC’s 22 sports. Ten points

are awarded for a first-place finish, 9 for a second, 8 for a third, and so on. Men’s and women’s performances are combined, exemplifying the NCAC’s commitment to equity and balance among programs.

Wooster won three of the first four all-sports championships, interrupted once by Denison. Ohio Wesleyan followed with a six-year run leading to titles by Wooster (two), Wittenberg (one), and Denison (nine). The Battling Bishops are the defending all-sports champions after earning their seventh trophy last spring.

Ohio Wesleyan leads the way with 108 team championships in the NCAC’s 24th playing season. Allegheny is next with 100 titles, followed by Denison (95), Kenyon (91), Wooster (64) and Wittenberg (61).

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opportunity to see what college is all about.”

Gardner said the money raised at the event will go toward next football and basketball season.

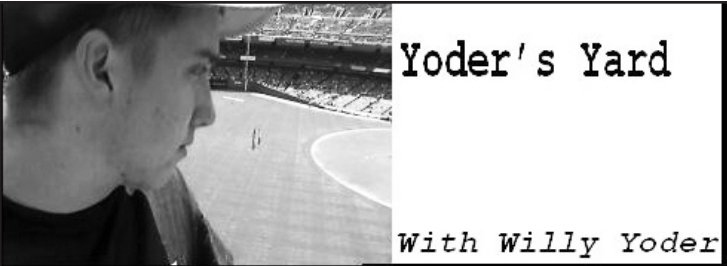
“Raising this money will help the squad financially,” Gardner said.

“The money will be used to support both football and basketball seasons.”

Segura said she is happy to do the clinic because she enjoys being surrounded by kids.

“It gives the girls a chance to get away from home for a day filled with fun, Segura said. “The girls attending are all member of 12 schools in the Delaware community. I think it going to be a lot of fun, especially because I love kids!”

Josh Hamilton shows comebacks are still possible



A year ago this month, Josh Hamilton arrived in Florida for spring training with a feeling he hadn’t experienced since he was 17; he was wanted.

Now 26, Hamilton had seen nothing but confused and disappointed stares for nearly the last decade.

He had learned over time to ignore the looks and that the only eyes he had to be able to look into were his own in the mirror. Hamilton knew where he had come from, where he had been, and what he had the power to do.

Five years earlier, Hamilton had woken up in the back of a Box Car. He had hoped he wouldn’t. He had been tripping on drugs for the last week and thought he had gone to sleep for the last time. He pulled himself off the steel floor and looked into his reflection in a broken mirror on the other side of the car.

What he saw was a once chiseled frame worn down into skin and bones. He saw one of the top baseball prospects in history turned into an anonymous drifter. He saw tattoos he couldn’t remember getting. He couldn’t look into his own eyes in the mirror. He couldn’t even see himself.

Now in Florida, he had inexplicably made it back from the darkness. He hadn’t played in a real baseball game since being suspended by the sport years before for drug abuse. He was making up for missed time now. Twenty-six is old for any prospect, much less one who hasn’t played Double or Triple A, and even older for a player who hadn’t swung a bat in five years.

The comeback started after the last person in Hamilton’s world had given up on him. Long after he had gone through

several failed rehab stints, long after his fortune was squandered, and long after his wife had left him, his grandmother took him in even though she didn’t recognize him. After a couple of weeks of convincing his grandmother he was clean when he wasn’t, he saw the familiar disappointed look in her eyes. She knew he was using. She was crushed.

Hamilton decided that the only way to get better was to get back to what he loved—baseball. He didn’t do it to make a comeback professionally, but to get his life back together.

He began working at a baseball camp, not as a counselor, but as a janitor. He cleaned the bathrooms and the cafeteria, and after his work was done he was allowed to work out with the camp’s equipment. He found God, he found reason—love and baseball.

With only limited preparation and years away from the game, no one could believe that after the third week of spring training he was leading the Reds in batting with an average well over .500.

People started to believe in the unbelievable—that the infamous Josh Hamilton, who’s only shot to play baseball again was to make the Major League club, could possibly do it.

He did it, and one year later he is now on the Texas Rangers and battling for a starting position. His smile is back, and with it his game.

His struggle personifies the never-give-up attitude of sports, which gives us sports fans the right to hope against odds. While spring is a universal symbol of rebirth, for Josh Hamilton, spring training represents the ultimate second chance story in baseball.



Bishops Sports

By Alex Humbert
Sports Editor

After a disappointing 0-3 over spring break, the men's lacrosse team knew they had to make a statement at home yesterday and they did just that, pummeling Adrian 26-10.

The Bishops and Bulldogs traded goals back and forth in the beginning of the first half making the score 3-3. That's when the wheels fell off for Adrian.

Led by sophomore Rob Young's three straight strikes in 46 seconds, the Bishops went on a monster 10-0 run in the first half to all but crush the hopes of victory for the Bulldogs. Young added two more goals during the assault along with goals from four other Bishops to bring the score to 15-5 at the half.

The Bishops then continued to poor it on, rotating in almost every player on the team and playing four different goalies en route to a 16 point blowout.

Senior defensemen Brian Test said this kind of dominating performance is exactly what the Bishops needed to boost their confidence.

"Adrian is an inferior team to us," Test said. "We knew going into this game that we needed not only to beat the team, but make a statement. Our offense certainly did that today by scoring 26 goals."

This game was the first game the Bishops played since the road trip over spring break in which they traveled to the east coast to take on some of the best programs in the country, including annual powerhouse



Senior Trevor Jones works against a Lynchburg defender in action at Selby Field earlier this season. Jones had a goal in the 26-10 shellacking of visiting Adrian College that took place yesterday. The Bishops improve to 2-4 on the season.

Photo by Cliff Williams

Salisbury. While good competition is useful for a Bishops team that started the season in the top 25 in the country, losing four in a row to elite teams is not.

Senior Trevor Jones, who had a goal in the contest, said the win really helps after a disappointing spring break road trip.

"This win was huge for our team morale especially after a tough spring break and losing 4 straight," Jones said. "We played close in all the games but to not have any wins to show for it was hard on us. We played three of the top five teams in the

country to start our season. Anytime you do that its going to be tough on the team. We are looking to use this win to bounce back and show the country we still have some fight in us."

Test said the rest of their schedule has some good opponents but after this big win the team hopes to keep the momentum going.

"We should be able to go on a roll here with the quality of opponents we are about to play," Test said. "But as in any sport you cannot take any team lightly. We still have our goal of winning out and making

the NCAA tourney. To do that we will just have to take it one game at a time."

Jones said the team hopes to keep the momentum going this weekend in a matchup against Elizabeth Town away.

Young led the Bishops in scoring with a staggering seven goals and two assists. Sophomore Gavin Cunningham added three goals while juniors Karl Zimmerman and Nick Gallagher and sophomores Craig Aronoff and Ricky Scheetz each added two goals. Senior Harrison Iuliano led the Bishops with three assists.

Rudegear tops list of postseason award winners for Bishops after great season

By Alex Humbert
Sports Editor

After a historical season for the Bishops men's basketball that ended over spring break in the "Sweet 16" against the No. 1 team in the country, Hope College, the post season awards have poured in.

Seniors Dustin Rudegear and Jesse Jean were named to the first team All-NCAC and junior Kyle Holliday was named to the second team.

Jean, who was named honorable mention All-NCAC last season, had a spectacular season for the Bishops averaging 13.5 points per game to go along with a team leading 8.2 rebounds and 1.2 blocks per contest. His rebound, field goal percentage and block averages were all good enough for top three in the conference.

Holliday, who will be the only returning starter for the Bishops in the 2008-09 season, came up big in as a first year starter finishing third on the team in scoring, averaging 11.5 per game.

Rudegear, who was a second team All-NCAC selection last season, finished first on the team in scoring (15.6/game) and second in rebounding (6.8/game), was not only named first team All-NCAC, but was also named first team All-Great Lakes Region and most recently fourth team All-American.

Rudegear said his personal preseason goal was to achieve first team all-conference and was thrilled to surpass his personal and team goals.

"It was nice to exceed my

goal by gettin All-Region and All-American honors, but I really have my team to thank for those because if we hadn't of done so well, I probably wouldn't have been considered for those other honors," Rudegear said. "Our postseason run was definitely much more important of an accomplishment than any individual award. Individual awards are nice, but team accomplishments are what it is all about."

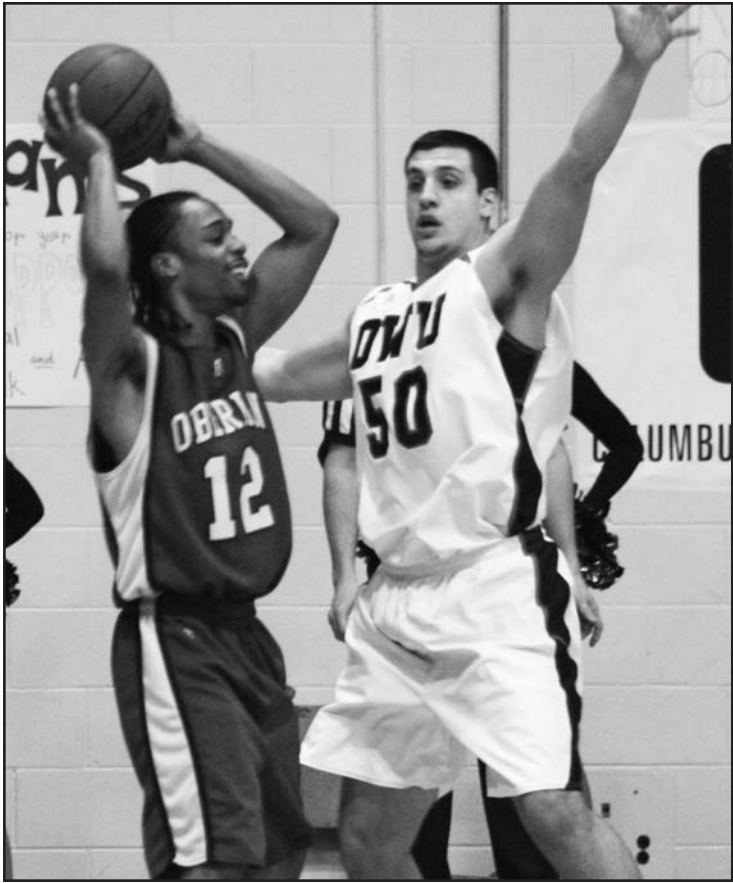
It was not just the players who received post season accolades, as head coach Mike DeWitt also got in on the action, being named the Great Lakes Region Coach of the year after going 22-8 and ending the season ranked No. 23 in the nation by d3hoops.com.

DeWitt, who has coached the Bishops for nine seasons, said he owes the credit to his team, one which he said had more than just talent.

"This was a pretty talented team, but it takes more than talent to accomplish what we did this season," DeWitt said. "It took a tremendous amount of work by the team members - usually on their own in the off-season - along with great determination and desire."

Rudegear, who was also named NCAC tournament MVP, said his personal success was due to his teammates, most importantly Jean.

"I really feel Jesse should have gotten all the same honors that I did," Rudegear said. "Everything I did this year I couldn't have done without him. He made me better playing against him in practice the



Senior Dustin Rudegear has anchored the Bishops for two seasons and reached the 1,000 career point mark earlier this season, only the 24th Bishop in history to do so.

Photo by Cliff Williams

last couple years, and he really opened things up for me on the court this season."

DeWitt said this season was about hard work and determination and hopes to continue the success in the future.

"This was a great season," DeWitt said.

"The support from the campus and local community was tremendous and we really hope to continue this success in the upcoming years from our returning guys."

Rudegear said, other than

meeting his girlfriend Kelli, the memories he made on the basketball team are at the top of his list.

"There was so much more that came along with playing basketball than just wins, losses, and accolades," Rudegear said. "I have met some of my best friends and have had some of the funnest and funniest moments of my life while playing basketball for OWU. I want to let my teammates know that I love them all and thanks for the wonderful season."

Dukies go down early . . . again



Thoughts from the Third Row

with Drew Lenox

With 5:51 remaining in a home game against North Carolina, the Duke Blue Devils had the whole world in front of them.

Up by two against the Tar Heels, they knew that if they could hold on to the lead they would be ACC Champions. This win would earn them the number one seed in the ACC Tournament and possibly a number one seed in the NCAA Tournament.

But at this point in Duke's season, everything went downhill. The Blue Devils did not score for the rest of the game and lost 76 to 68 to their biggest foe.

If the easy win over Georgia Tech is thrown out of the discussion, Duke played three more games and the lid never came off the baskets. In the three games against Clemson, Belmont and West Virginia, Duke shot 17 for 69 (24 percent) from behind the three point arc.

Combine that kind of offensive production with the fact they were out rebounded 45 to 19 against West Virginia and there is no wonder why they went home early.

Both the ACC Defensive player of the year, DeMarcus Nelson, and the ACC Freshman of the year, Kyle Singler, did not really show up in the tournament and Duke who had lived by the three all season, died by the three last Saturday.

But, this loss should not really surprise many because while Duke has been a good team for a long time, it has been a few years since they were championship material.

From the '85-'86 season to the '93-'94 season, Duke was outstanding. They went to the Final Four in seven of those

nine years, went to five national championship games and won two of them with Laettner and Hill.

After that amazing run, Duke was out of the championship picture for a few seasons before losing in the national championship with Brand, Maggette and Langdon in 1999 to Connecticut.

Two years later, the Blue Devils returned to the title game with Carlos Boozer, Jason Williams, Shane Battier and Mike Dunleavy and won it.

This gave Duke its third national championship since 1985, the year the tournament was extended to 64 teams. No other school has accomplished this feat in that time period.

Since that championship, however, Duke has had limited success in the big dance. In the seven years since, Duke has only advanced past the sweet sixteen once and has never made it to the championship game.

It is not because Duke was not expected to make a lot of noise at the dance. In the past 12 years, Duke has been a one seed eight times and a two seed twice, with only one national championship to show for it.

Duke has just been overrated and over hyped and despite having a few great players and a number of great seasons, has failed to produce when it counted.

Duke is one of the best programs in the country as they have won 20 games in 20 of the last 22 seasons but they have only won five games combined in the last four years in the NCAA Tournament.

Duke will always be a good team and they will always win 20 or more games. They will always be both admired and criticized while having little trouble making the tournament field.

But recent history shows, no matter their seeding, they will not always win the tournament and it is hard to confidently go running with the Devils in March.

Baseball team blown out at home by Heidelberg



Photo by Cliff Williams

Above: Sophomore third baseman Eric McComas stands in against Heidelberg at home on Tuesday. The Bishops got a hit on their first at bat, and it was not until the bottom of the ninth that they got their second hit on their way to a 14-3 loss. Four Heidelberg pitchers combined for a three hitter as the Student Princes racked up 17 hits. Heidelberg managed to score 14 runs while stranding 15 runners on base to OWU's seven. The Bishops record falls to 9-7 on the season and their next game is today at home against Marietta.