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Retention low at OWU

By Michelle Rotuno-Johnson
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Though more students are applying to Ohio Wesleyan, fewer are staying through their freshman year. At the faculty meeting last Monday, Dale Swartzentruber, associate dean for institutional research, said midyear freshman retention is “not as good” as it was in 2010 in his executive report. Currently, there are 1,717 students living on-campus. Swartzentruber said this number is 50 students short of the number projected this semester. There is less money coming from tuition than expected. Bill Preble, vice president for university enrollment and strategic communication, said more students have applied to Ohio Wesleyan this year than last year, but the number of admitted students remains the same.

The incoming class has an average GPA of 3.6 and an average SAT score of 1210. There were 209 students who were reported to attend the Schubert Scholars competition last weekend. Preble said the new “Wednesdays at OWU” program is designed to show off more of the campus. The day is designed around a two-hour presentation and tour of campus for parents and students. Preble said the number of visits to campus is about equal to the number this time last year.

Charlie Powell, vice president for university relations, said the Ohio Wesleyan Fund is on track to meet a goal of \$3.8 million. However, the fund could benefit from more faculty donations. Becky Leach, assistant director of the OWU fund, said 17 percent of faculty have given money. She said she hopes to get to 35 percent. According to the OWU Fund website, the Fund supports scholarships, faculty development, campus events and areas of greatest need. Forty percent of the cost of an OWU education comes from endowment funds and unrestricted gifts.

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Campus activities frozen by ice storm

By Rachel Ramey
Editor-in-Chief

Ohio Wesleyan University was closed on Wednesday due to power outages, downed power lines, unsafe road conditions and fallen tree branches in the area. President Rock Jones said the decision to close was made after an evaluation of weather forecasts, sidewalk conditions and the status of the electric on campus. “Electrical power was out in all of the academic buildings except Sanborn Hall,” Jones said. “Additionally, the strong winds, the layer of ice on the sidewalks and the fallen limbs across the campus contributed to the decision.” Chris Setzer, director of physical plant for Buildings and Grounds, said the power outage on academic side of campus was one of the main reasons for the closure. “With the extent of the power outage throughout central Ohio, it was difficult to get an estimated time to restore power,” Setzer said. “The ice storm caused



Photo by Brittany Vickers

Debris littered Ohio Wesleyan’s campus following the ice storm on Wednesday.

a number of power lines to go down. Some lines failed due to the weight of the ice on the lines and some lines failed because tree branches broke under the weight of the ice on the branches.” Bob Wood, director of Public Safety, said Delaware’s emergency operations center reported 11,999 customers

without power in the area as of 4 p.m. Wednesday. “Their projection was that 90% of the power would be restored by midnight on Friday,” Wood said. Wood also said there were some concerns throughout the process, but that everything is now up and running again. He said the best way to handle

emergency situations is to get everyone together and work cooperatively to solve the issues. “One saving grace that made a huge difference is that we maintained power on our West campus,” Wood said. “Had we lost that, it would have been a much more critical situation.”

Jones said temporary housing was found for students in SLUs and Chi Phi who were without electricity. Carrie Miller, Residential Life Coordinator for the SLUs, said most of the SLU residents stayed on Oak Hill SLUs or with friends in residence halls. “As RLCs, we work to ensure our residents have a safe environment, so in this particular case that meant that I worked with SLU residents to ensure they had places to sleep,” Miller said. Jones also said the university worked with Chartwells to concentrate dining services in Smith and Welch during the closure. “Both departments [B&G and Dining Services] were phenomenal in their response,” Jones said. “There was tremendous energy in Smith dining room at noon.” Gene Castelli, senior director of Dining Services, said their primary concern during the closure was to make sure students were fed. See CLOSURE on Page 5

Coach Rickey comes home

Actor Chuck Chalberg portrays famous alum for Rickey-Robinson Week

By Margaret Bagnell
Transcript Correspondent
and Solomon Ryan
Transcript Reporter

Chuck Chalberg presented “Mr. Rickey Remembers” in the Chappellear Drama Center on Jan. 15 during Ohio Wesleyan’s weeklong commemoration of Branch Rickey and Jackie Robinson. The Chappellear Drama Center was buzzing with the stories of Branch Rickey shared through Chalberg’s accurate on-stage impersonation. Cigar in hand, the one and only “Branch Rickey” kept the audience laughing while informing them about the man’s life. Sophomore Mackenzie Brown said she was impressed by how entertaining and educational Chalberg managed to make his message to the audience.

“I didn’t know much about Branch Rickey until Chalberg’s impersonation tonight,” Brown said. “I was really surprised with how funny Branch Rickey was portrayed to be, and how many athletes came to see the performance.” The performance was attended by many athletic teams, alumni, a few of Delaware’s locals and students taking the freshmen writing seminar. Freshman Rebecca Overbeeke said that while she was required to attend the performance for her writing class, she enjoyed the performance. “It was pretty entertaining because I got to hear about Rickey’s coaching days for OWU, and the color significance in baseball,” Overbeeke said. Chalberg brought Rickey’s personality to life as he shared numerous stories with the audience regarding his time as an OWU student and his involvement in the trade of baseball. One story regarding OWU baseball catcher, Charles

Thomas, emphasized the purpose of Branch Rickey-Jackie Robinson by depicting the issues of segregation occurring at the time. During the performance, Chalberg set the scene as 75-year-old Rickey packs up his office in Pittsburgh for his future retirement. Entertaining the audience by referencing Rickey’s love for Christianity, Chalberg portrayed Rickey as many of those remember him and his virtues. Chalberg portrayed Rickey’s love for money and business. “I like ball players and I like money,” Chalberg said. “I just don’t want them to get together.” Chalberg also stressed Rickey’s belief in the importance of family. Each time Rickey encountered a pitcher, he usually said, “Do you have a girlfriend? If you do, marry her before it’s too late.” Chalberg said Rickey compared marriage to baseball. He said in marriage you have to love your wife unconditionally and never cheat on her and, in baseball, you never turn on your teammates and are always loyal. Audience members said they felt Chalberg’s performance was valuable and realistic. “I went to the performance for extra credit in a class, and I knew a little about Branch Rickey,” said sophomore Tilghman Strudwick. “I think Chalberg did an accurate performance of what Mr. Rickey was like.” Chalberg said he never thought acting was in his cards, but through hard work and determination, he was able to build a career that involves touring all over the country doing dramatizations of historical figures. “In high school and college I tried out for school plays,



Photo courtesy of Ohio Wesleyan University

Chuck Chalberg brought Branch Rickey to life during his presentation of “Mr. Rickey Remembers.” Chalberg came to campus to help celebrate Branch Rickey-Jackie Robinson Week last week. Rickey was a 1904 Ohio Wesleyan graduate who is best remembered for breaking baseball’s color barrier and signing Robinson to the Brooklyn Dodgers.

but I rarely made it,” Chalberg said. “If I did make it, I only had three lines at most.” Chalberg is also a history teacher. He said his teaching experience led to his acting career. “In class, I usually acted out figures in history,” Chalberg said. “After that, I started going on tour impersonating all sorts of people.” Chalberg is known for his many impersonations of famous leaders such as: Teddy Roosevelt, H.L. Mencken, Bobby Jones and George Orwell. However, his performance as Rickey was plausible because of his knowledge of the man’s life. He has published a joint biography of Branch Rickey and Jackie Robinson. Chalberg’s performance ended with a Q & A session.

Rickey-Robinson Week



Ohio Wesleyan’s first annual Branch Rickey-Jackie Robinson Week celebrated baseball, civil rights and a legacy that changed the course of history. Coverage continues on Page 3 with the Heisler Business Lecture, presentation of the Branch Rickey-Jackie Robinson Award and roundtable discussion.

The Writing Center will see ‘U’ now

By Marissa Alfano
News Editor

The Writing Resource Center, one of the four centers comprising the Sagan Academic Resource Center, assists 20% of the students on campus each year, according to Director James Stull.

“We have about 800 contacts with students per semester and 1600 contacts per year,” Stull said.

Students come to the Writing Center for various reasons according to Martine Stephens, associate professor of English and assistant director of the Writing Center.

“Depending on the stage of writing they are at, students may come to get ideas, to work on writing skills and citations, to receive help with blending sources or for guidance on where to find information,” Stephens said.

It is not surprising, according to Stull, that such a wide

range of students from many academic disciplines come to the Writing Center.

“Revision is harder than you think,” Stull said. “Writing is hard work.”

“Students who succeed on campus in writing are able to transfer those skills into other academic disciplines to succeed across the curriculum,” Stull said.

Historically, 45 of the 800 student contacts per semester are “U” (unsatisfactory writing) referrals said Stull.

According to OWU policy, any professor who finds that a student’s writing needs extra work may submit a “U” notification along with the final grade in any course, requiring the student to attend weekly one-hour meetings in the Writing Center with a professional tutor the following semester.

Through satisfactory work at the Writing Center, policy holds that the “U” will be re-

moved from the student’s records.

Stull said about half of the “U” notations are from English 105 students, while about 15% are juniors and seniors. The rest are sophomores. He said the Writing Center is not only beneficial for “U” students, however. It is useful for all students.

“Any student can benefit from this – anybody can become a better writer,” Stull said.

The Writing Center staffs four professional tutors. Other college writing centers use peers, but all tutors at the OWU Writing Center have at least an undergraduate degree.

Professors find the Writing Center to be a useful tool outside of class, according to Darrell Albion, director of international and off-campus programs.

“I recommend the Writing Center to all international students during our international

student pre-orientation,” Albion said. “I also frequently recommend it to students who are asking assistance with research papers. It’s a great resource and really benefits the students who use it.”

As an English 105 student, freshman Ellie Feely said she found the writing center to be a valuable service to students.

“The Writing Center was immensely helpful with the structure and grammar of my essays,” Feely said.

Freshman Sarah Jilbert, also an English 105 student, said her experience at the Writing center was beneficial.

“They are very willing to help in any way they can to make your writing more sophisticated and coherent,” Jilbert said.

To make an appointment at the Writing Center, call (740) 368-3925 or stop by during the day, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Photo by Michelle Rotuno-Johnson
Martine Stephens, associate professor of English and Sagan ARC tutor, reviews citation guidelines with freshman Antoinette Jalliff. Jalliff is working on a research paper about binge drinking on college campuses.

Let’s talk about sex: a tour of orgasmic proportions

By Katie Carlin
Transcript Reporter

Next Thursday students are invited to attend a presentation by sexual educators and popular authors of the book, “I Love Female Orgasm,” by Marshall Miller and Rachel Dart.

Students will learn about a range of sexual topics, but the presentation focuses on the female orgasm.

“Students are sometimes surprised that we really do cover it all: the G-spot, multiple orgasms, how to have your first orgasm, how to help your girlfriend,” Miller said. “And it’s really funny, too.”

Marshall and Dart made talking about sex their full-time jobs after years of studying sexuality and hosting information sessions both formally and informally.

The couple’s information and advice became popular so they decided they would speak to colleges occasionally.

Now, their program is very popular and they travel around the country discussing sex in a “respectful, open, feminist way,” Dart said.

The announcement of the presentation has sparked some controversy. Some students said the topic makes them feel uncomfortable.

“I think it is weird, I mean, I guess I am just uncomfortable with the topic and I find it inappropriate,” said junior Emily Fitzgibbons.

Fitzgibbons said it seems like the school is promoting casual sex.

Marshall said the program sparks controversy from time to time on college campuses.

“Occasionally people hear the title and jump to conclusions about what might happen during the event itself,” Miller said. “But they’re usually relieved to realize that it’s possible to learn and discuss human sexuality and female sexual pleasure in a really tasteful, appropriate way -- and have fun at the same time.”

The event coordinator is Anna Cooper, a member of the Women’s Resource Center (WRC).

The Panhellenic Council, WCSA, PRIDE, Sisters United, Women’s House and the House of Thought are also sponsoring the event.



The “I Love Female Orgasm” workshop will be presented by sexual educators Marshall Miller and Rachel Dart on Feb. 10, 7 p.m., Benes A, B and C.

Cooper said they wanted to bring the group to campus because they feel it is important Ohio Wesleyan students are knowledgeable about and comfortable with their sexual bodies.

“It also promotes healthy and informed decision making,” Cooper said. “They emphasize that the information provided in this program regarding sex is supposed to be

used whenever you’re ready to use it be it now or later. It specifically addresses something that is often stigmatized, the female orgasm.”

At least this orgasm won’t be hard to find: Feb. 10, 7 p.m., Benes A, B and C.

For more information visit www.ilovefemaleorgasm.com or The Female Orgasm Facebook event.

Sound-off

OWU:

What did you do yesterday with your day off?



“I did homework and locked myself in my room.”
-- Anthony Peddle ‘14



“I slept, did homework, and watched Mean Girls.”
-- Kate Johnson ‘14



“I planned a surprise birthday party!”
-- Andrew Wilson ‘13



“I cleaned my room, and then I went out.”
-- Rachel King ‘12



“We formed a Chi Phi refugee camp in the basement of Welch.”
-- Ben Sala ‘13

Do you have an idea for Sound-Off OWU? Have a question you have always wanted your fellow students to answer? Send your suggestions to owunews@owu.edu!

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Branch Rickey: Great memories; great stories; great game

By Forrest Rilling
Transcript Correspondent

The rules of baseball were created in 1845, but it was not until April 15, 1947, over 100 years later that the sport was integrated.

Branch B. Rickey ('67), grandson of Branch Rickey ('04), visited Ohio Wesleyan University on Jan. 26 and led a roundtable discussion on the integration of baseball.

Branch Rickey Sr. was a player, manager and executive in Major League Baseball. But he is most well-known for being the first general manager to sign a Black Athlete to a major league contract.

Roger Ingles, the athletic director at OWU; Ken Schinacke, the president and general manager of the Columbus Clippers and Bob Dibiasio, vice president of public relations for the Cleveland Indians, along with Rickey, spoke and answered questions in front of a captivated crowd in the Benes Rooms.

Rickey talked about his grandfather's feats breaking Baseball's "color barrier" by signing Jackie Robinson in 1947.

He also talked about another one of his



Photo by Forrest Rilling

A roundtable discussion was held on Jan. 26 to discuss the impact Branch Rickey had on baseball at OWU. Participating in the discussion were, left to right, Mark Cooper, director of communications; Bob Dibiasio; Ken Schnacke; Roger Ingles and Branch B. Rickey, Branch Rickey's Grandson. The roundtable was part of Branch Rickey Week.

grandfather's actions that impacted baseball: "We are still using the same system that Branch created those years ago," Schnacke

said. "Even to this day, the system he created is a savior to Major League Baseball."

Branch Rickey was remembered for his morals and ethical decision making skills that drove him to better the game of baseball.

Rickey's grandson said he agreed Rickey acted with motivation to better things for himself and others.

"He had this gift, an ability to commit to a larger cause," Rickey said. "He had the right complexity of talent and acceptance of what was happening on and off the field."

The roundtable participants seconded this notion.

Once the Q&A session started, senior Christopher Sponseller carried the microphone around to audience members.

Sponseller said he was proud to do the job because he believes in Rickey's mission.

"Branch Rickey came from our school, and he is proof that if you really put your mind to something, you can get it done," Sponseller said

Sponseller said Rickey proved that change can happen anywhere, including OWU, if you have enough willpower to make it happen.

Ethical business decisions create change Robinson receives newly-named award

By Brittany Vickers
Sports Editor

Branch B. Rickey told the audience at his lecture Jan. 27 to use their personal ethics when making business ethics decisions.

He brought his real-life experiences to the 2011 Heisler Business Ethics lecture, "More than Sport: The Branch Rickey-Jackie Robinson Legacy."

Rickey, who has been the president of Minor League Baseball's Pacific Coast League since 1997, is the grandson of Branch W. Rickey, who signed Jackie Robinson on as a Dodger in 1945, making him the first ever African American to play in major league baseball.

The Rickey legacy is part of Ohio Wesleyan's "American Treasures," President Rock Jones said in his introduction at the lecture.

For Rickey, the goal is to be more than a name on a building.

"I think one thing we should learn from my grandfather is the fact that society and the future are changeable," Rickey said. "The realization that the future is not already written; it gets written by the people who are going to commit their time and energy to making a difference is something my grandfather would have wanted all of the young people of Ohio Wesleyan to take away."



Photo by Kayla Henderson

Branch B. Rickey, the grandson of Branch Rickey, discussed ethics and the achievements of his grandfather during the 2011 Heisler Business Ethics lecture, "More than Sport: The Branch Rickey-Jackie Robinson Legacy" on Jan. 27.

their business classes seemed to understand what Rickey was trying to say, according to junior Sara Zeller, a member of associate professor, Barb McLeod's financial management class.

"I wrote my paper on the connection he was talking about between his grandfather's personal ethics and business ethics," Zeller said. "It seemed like to me he was saying that they're all the same thing, and the right answer is always clear. We should always strive to do the right thing."

Rickey may not have known all of the academic nuts and bolts about business ethics, but Zeller said he still thought that he did a really good job.

"I really liked the video clips of his grandfather, it was cool to learn more about the whole story," Zeller said.

The average youngster today would not recognize the Branch Rickey name according to Rickey. He said he hopes this week will help Ohio Wesleyan stu-

Award renamed by President Rock Jones during first ever Branch Rickey Week

By Marissa Alfano
News Editor

At an invitation only ceremony Jan. 27, during the first ever Branch Rickey Week, President Rock Jones presented the Branch Rickey award to Rachel Robinson for her progressive work and announced the Branch Rickey Award would henceforth be called the Branch Rickey-Jackie Robinson Award.

Although Rachel Robinson was not present at the ceremony, she left a message expressing her gratitude.

"I regret I cannot come tonight, but I am thrilled to be honored by two men whom I loved and admired," Rachel Robinson said on recording.

Rachel Robinson created the Jackie Robinson Foundation in 1973 and since has used it to help over 1,400 youths of color obtain college degrees.

She is also considered by many to have been an influential figure in the breakdown of racism in Major League Baseball.

"She was not simply the dutiful little wife," said Roger Wilkins, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist. "She was Jack's co-pioneer."

"She had to live through the death threats, endure the vile screams of the fans and watch her husband get knocked down by pitch after pitch...She was beautiful and wise and replenished his strength and courage."

said Trustee Jean Bussel. "Hearing the voice of Sharon Robinson made it special."

As an OWU baseball coach, Branch Rickey encountered racism against one of his players during an away baseball game. The hotel would not let the African American player, Charles Thomas, stay with his teammates.

According to Rickey, "He looked at me and said, 'It's my skin. If I could just tear it off, I'd be like everybody else. It's my skin; it's my skin, Mr. Rickey!'"

Because of this, Rickey vowed to end segregation if ever presented the opportunity.

He followed through with his vow by signing Jackie Robinson to the Brooklyn Dodgers, making him the first African-American player in Major League Baseball. Many believe this helped to set the stage for the civil rights movement.

"Baseball was not just a game," said Sharon Robinson, daughter of Jackie and Rachel Robinson. "It was a symbol of America. When it changed, people started looking at things differently."

She was not the only one who believed the partnership of Branch Rickey and Jackie Robinson brought about great change.

Jones said he liked to point out Branch Rickey as an example for students to emulate.

"I do not hope that students will achieve everything they ever hoped for, but that they may, like Branch Rickey, achieve things they never even imagined," Jones said.

OWU devoted an entire week to Branch Rickey and his partnership with Jackie Robinson.

Events for the week included the Heisler Business Ethics Lecture, a baseball exhibit at the Ross Art Museum, a baseball roundtable with Branch B. Rickey and Bob Dibiasio and a screening of "The Jackie Robinson Story" at the Strand.

Rickey had a lifelong love for OWU.

His words are imprinted on a brick leading to Slocum Hall and reflect his actions all his life.

"It's not the honor you take with you, but the heritage you leave behind," Rickey said.

Additional information is available at rickeyrobinson.owu.edu and jackierobinson.org.

Sustainability Film Series explores responsible living

Delaware, Ohio – Ohio Wesleyan University and Sustainable Delaware have joined forces to sponsor the Sustainability Film Series, which includes films and panel discussions that explore sustainable living.

This will include two films from the "Story of Stuff" series that addresses "green" methods of making, using, and discarding the "stuff" of daily life. Information also will be provided about Delaware's recycling program, and recycling containers will be avail-

able for pickup at the event.

The public is invited to this free event, which will be held at 7 p.m. Feb. 16 in Room 163 of Ohio Wesleyan's Schimmel/Conrades Science Center, 90 S. Henry St. Free parking is available across the street at Selby Field, 45 S. Henry St.

Ohio Wesleyan faculty member and OWU Sustainability Task Force Chair Laurie Anderson, Ph.D., will moderate a panel discussion with:

- Lauren Ashley, professional organizer, An Organized Home;
- Tim Browning,

public works director, City of Delaware; Jerry Geist, St. Mary's Green Team and Sustainable Delaware member; Veronica Malencia, student representative, OWU Sustainability Task Force, and former OWU recycling coordinator; Tom Wolber, Ph.D., OWU faculty, OWU Sustainability Task Force member, Sustainable Delaware member, and Delaware Shade Tree Commission member.

Sustainable Delaware is a group of citizens focused on promoting environmental,

social, and economic sustainability for the Delaware community through awareness, advocacy, and action. Ohio Wesleyan faculty and students will partner with Sustainable Delaware on various projects.

Planning for future events is underway. Topics will include developing community gardens, shopping locally, and using alternative sources of power (including wind and solar). For more information about future events, visit <http://sustainabledelawareohio.org>.

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College night cornhole at The Old Bag snags students

by Jon Morin
Transcript Correspondent

In an effort to bring in a younger crowd, The Old Bag of Nails restaurant has created a Wednesday night special with enticing incentives for students who wish to eat and drink there.

The special, which is called, “Wed. Night College Night,” includes a variety of OWU-centered deals.

One promotion extends happy hour until 9 p.m. for students with an OWU ID card, and gives students with an OWU ID 10% off appetizers. Previously, happy hour ran until 7 p.m. and there were no deals with students regarding anything off the menu price.

Also included in the new specials are \$5.00 pitchers of Miller Light after 9 p.m., live music, darts and cornhole.

Don Goodwin, general manager, said he hopes the incentives increase business with the students.

“The deal gives a better option to the students that’s



Photo by Alex Crump

Patrons dine at The Old Bag where there will now be a new OWU student discount on Wednesday nights.

not just alcohol related,” Goodwin said.

Goodwin said the restaurant has not done much advertising

for the new special.

“We are relying mostly on word of mouth from the students,” Goodwin said.

However, Goodwin said there is a banner describing all the terms of the special hanging in Edwards Gymnasium.

Senior Tim Schmidt said he thinks the new Wednesday night special will eventually be successful with students.

“This is a really small school, and sweet deals like this aren’t common in Delaware, so I think it’s going to catch on quick,” Schmidt said.

Goodwin said he also hopes the incentive with appetizers, the live music and cornhole will help to attract students who are under 21 as well.

“I just heard about this and want to go, the food there is always good and price is important,” Sophomore Nick Ziegenbusch said.

Senior Dave Hunter said he has heard more and more students talking about the “new college night” at Old Bag of Nails.

“I’m hoping to make it over there at some point,” Hunter said. “Cornhole and five dollar pitchers of miller light—I’m surprised most kids haven’t heard of this.”

Goodwin said he does not plan on ending the Wednesday night special any time soon.

Because the special is relatively new, Goodwin said he hopes for students to eventually attend more often.

Trail Magic raises s’more funds for North Carolina mission trip

by Breanne Reilly
Transcript Correspondent

The North Carolina Wilderness Backpacking team sold cocoa and s’mores around a campfire for their Trail Magic fundraiser on Jan. 26.

The fundraiser was held from 8-10 p.m.

The treats sold for a dollar apiece. Or, for an extra 50 cents, students had the option of getting their treats delivered.

Trail Magic is one of the treks that Wilderness Ministries holds during spring break each year. The eight members of this backpacking

team will spend four days hiking the Appalachian Trail.

Senior Kaitlyn Bujnowski said the name Trail Magic and the fundraiser were both inspired by hospitality on the Trail.

“It’s an act of unexpected kindness,” Bujnowski said. “We’re setting up stations to feed the through hikers that we meet on the trail.”

William Hayes, associate chaplain and director of Wilderness Ministries, said the through hikers will backpack through the entire Appalachian Trail. The hike is 2,175 miles long and takes five to six months to complete.

“Most survive on noodles, oatmeal and water,” Bujnowski said. “It’s great to be able to offer them a much needed meal of something more substantial.”

William Hayes first brought Trail Magic to campus 10 years ago.

Senior Greylyn Hydinger said Hayes was inspired by the hospitality he experienced while on the trail.

“He hiked the trail when he was in college,” Hydinger said. “He came across peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.”

As of now, the team said they do not know what they will be bringing for the

through hikers. Hayes said the members will bring only the necessities for themselves. The team will carry all clothing, food, water and shelter on their backs. Cell phones, iPods and electronic devices will be left home.

Hydinger said the fewer things a backpacker brings, the better the experience will be.

“We’re just bringing the basics,” Hydinger said. “The members will get more out of the trip.”

Bujnowski said the team must carry out whatever it brings onto the trail and members are encouraged to

bring a journal to record their experiences.

“We leave no trace,” Bujnowski said. “We bring more back with us. You’re given time to reflect on your own. You learn a lot.”

Hayes also said the trip is a learning experience. Team members will explore ideas of hospitality and community while learning outdoor survival skills.

Hydinger said he learned about himself while he participated in a Wilderness Ministries trip in the Everglades.

“I led one of the groups,” Hydinger said. “I learned

there are better ways to handle situations and disagreements, but to always consider all sides.”

Wilderness Ministries offers two spring break Mission Trips annually. One, Trail Magic, takes students hiking through the Appalachians.

The other trek takes students canoeing through the Everglades. To participate, students are required to fill out an application in the fall.

Hayes said any questions students have about the trips can be answered at the Chaplain’s Office in Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.



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Schubert Scholars compete for top spots

By Florenz F. Limen
Transcript Correspondent

Prospective Bishops, together with their families, visited Ohio Wesleyan University for the Schubert’s Scholars Competition Awards Jan. 30-31 as part of Admission’s on-campus programs.

The students and families got the chance to mingle with their fellow scholars and participants, to tour the campus and experience a bit of the OWU life.

The first of the Schubert Honors Scholars were invited to the university as part of OWU’s Honors Program. They had already received an initial Leland F. and Helen Schubert Honor Scholarship that they can keep by maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.0 at the end of each year.

This weekend they came to compete for the Scholars Competition Award, an additional grant for students that ranges from \$1,000 up to full tuition (including room and board).

In the Connect2 OWU’s Jan. report on last year’s competition, Lee Harrell, Assistant Vice President of Admission and Financial Aid, said the Schubert Honors Scholars are some the school’s most promising students.

“Their impressive personal, academic and talent-based achievements distinguish them as individuals with exceptional potential for success at OWU,” Harell said.

“Their selection recognizes their outstanding academic performance, extracurricular involvement and demonstrated potential for leadership.”

The students were also invited to apply to other programs, such as the departmen-

tal scholarships from the education, economics, music and theater departments.

The competition consisted of a timed essay assignment and a group discussion where they were able to converse with students and faculty in areas that interest them. The students were graded based on the application materials they submitted, their graded essay and feedback from the group discussion.

The participants also were able to experience a glimpse of dorm life by staying overnight on campus Saturday.

Current OWU students hosted prospective students in their dorm rooms.

Monday, students had the opportunity to visit classes and experience OWU firsthand.

Freshman Jay Lee said five prospective students sat in on her class.

“They visited our Education 110 class,” Lee said. “You can see they are curious about what a college classroom looks like. They were attentive and interested.”

Students participating in the event toured campus as well. The student tour guides walked the students all around campus, showing them historical landmarks and facilities, as well as the OWU environment and weather.

Californian Schubert scholar Erika Jasso said OWU is one of her top two schools for college.

“I like it here,” Jasso said. “Although, I think, I will have to get used to the cold weather.”

The next Schubert Scholars Competition is scheduled for Feb. 13. For more information, visit schubert.owu.edu or go to the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid.

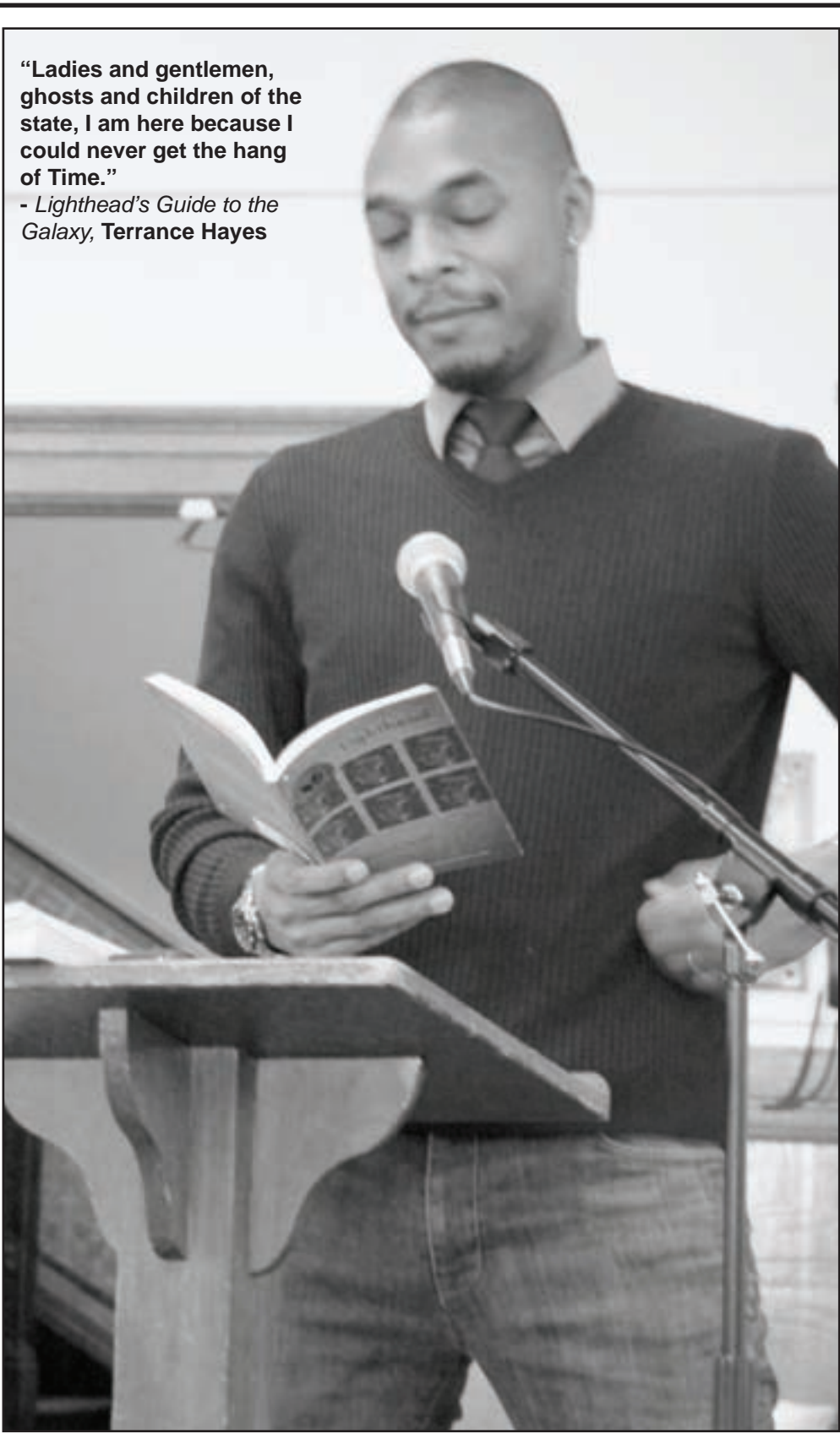


Photo by Suzanne Samin

Terrance Hayes, award-winning poet and professor of English at Carnegie Mellon University, gave a lecture and poetry reading on campus Jan. 25 and 26. Hayes has published four collections of poetry and is the 2010 National Book Award winner. Hayes was brought to campus by the English department.

WCSA plans games and plans change

By Heather Kuch
Transcript Reporter

The Wesleyan Council on Student Affairs is focusing on organizing pre-sporting event gatherings, implementing a new method for surveying students and the annual WCSA vs. Faculty soccer game this semester.

Overall, WCSA members said they hope that with organization of programs and slight structural changes, they will be able to better serve the Ohio Wesleyan community.

WCSA’s first order of business is to find opportunities to organize pre-game events to encourage school spirit at campus athletic events.

They said they hope these events will provide students with an opportunity to socialize and enjoy food in a safe environment.

Junior Sharif Kronemer, WCSA president, said he believes this will increase student support within the OWU community by encouraging involvement.

He also said intramural sporting events will allow students who do not play for a varsity team to participate in athletic activities.

Due to its success over the past two years, WCSA will once again hold the WCSA vs. Faculty soccer game in the late spring.

This tradition started when Usman Javaid (’10) and senior Kyle Herman began their term as president and vice-president of WCSA at the beginning of the 2009 calander year.

Last year, the professors defeated the students in a close 5-4 game with the majority of the fans supporting the faculty.

While those who participated in the game last year had a great experience, they hope the fan turnout this year will improve significantly.

WCSA also intends to perform an “on the ground” survey initiative as a new method of gathering student opinions at OWU.

Kronemer said the new method of surveying the students will be a change.

“It will gauge the opinions of the students on campus in a way that online surveys cannot,” Kronemer said.

While representatives of WCSA said they will not be undergoing any large structural changes, they will be dissolving their ad hoc Environmental Committee and its tasks will be taken over by the Sustainability Task Force.

They will also be adding an Environmental Liaison in the Residential Life Committee.

Kronemer said he believes the liaison will make it so WCSA can stay in touch with environmental work on campus.

Proposed Equality House seeks diversity at OWU

By Kathleen Dalton
Transcript Correspondent

On Jan. 31, students began interviewing to live at the Equality House, a proposed Small Living Unit (SLU) focusing on LGBT issues.

Freshman Taylor Rivkin and sophomore Tessa Cannon are behind the establishment of this new SLU. The idea was brought up at a PRIDE (People Regarding Individual Diversity Everywhere) meeting and Rivkin took the initiative to make the idea a reality. The two have secured an advisor, filled out the necessary paperwork and have now begun recruiting members. They said they think an Equality House is a necessary addition to OWU.

“A lot of things have been happening lately,” Cannon said. “With the repeal of ‘Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell,’

LGBT issues are prevalent in the world today.”

Cannon said she hopes by establishing the proposed house, OWU can work to make its community aware of issues in the global, national and local community.

“We can’t erase the issues and stereotypes but we can try to make a place where LGBT people can be comfortable in Delaware,” Cannon said.

Sophomore Ariel Hively said he is also invested in the proposal and has been assisting Cannon and Rivkin. Hively said he thinks OWU needs a house devoted to the issues the Equality House would espouse.

“The Women’s House supports LGBT issues but doesn’t devote all of their attention to them,” Hively said. “It’s an up and rising problem around the world and this campus can do a better job.”

A house similar to the

Equality House was recently established at Cornell but failed due to bullying of its members. Cannon said she does not think that will happen at OWU. She said she is counting on support from the other SLUs who include LGBT issues in their mission statements.

Cannon and Hively hosted an event to gather interest in the house on Jan. 28.

At the event, interested students could gather to discuss their ideas and enjoy pizza, Rock Band and Dance Dance Revolution.

Freshman Gabriel Johnson, an attendee of the event, said he thinks the Equality House would succeed if established.

“It would be a great addition to the already existing SLUs,” Johnson said.

New SLUs are continuously being developed at OWU. Carrie Miller, the SLU Resident Life Coordinator, said

four of the currently active SLUs were established during the past 8 years. The Interfaith House, which was established during the 2008-2009 school year, had previously been the location of the Habitat House and before that, the House of Hope. The House of Thought is also a recent addition to the SLU community. It was founded in 2003 and was previously the House of Spirituality.

Miller said the administration will review each SLU to determine if they have met their obligations and can be renewed.

Newly proposed SLUs will then be reviewed to occupy the houses of those who did not meet their obligations.

“Newly proposed SLUs are evaluated based on their level of potential for establishing themselves in the SLU community and actualizing a house mission through house

programs,” Miller said.

The Equality House members will find out in mid-February if their proposal has been accepted and if they have been accepted to a house. Cannon said she thinks she and her potential housemates have an excellent chance of succeeding.

“We think our house is unique and important enough,” Cannon said. “We have a good shot.”

If Cannon, Rivkin and Hively are not successful, they will continue to publicize and try to establish the house next year.

They said they feel their cause is acute and needs to be dealt with.

“This school needs a safe house that everyone knows will be without prejudice,” Rivkin said. “The Equality House would be a way to show OWU support for LGBT issues, and not just on paper.”

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Eric Algoe, vice president for finance, administration, and treasurer, said certain academic departments may have to do a “belt-tightening” with their money. He said no budgets would be cut “without the knowledge” of the department members.

During new business, Laurel Anderson, associate professor of botany and microbiology, said she is working to hire a sustainability coordinator. The Sustainability Task Force recently received a \$300,000

grant to hire a coordinator for two years. Anderson said the coordinator would work to develop a long-term energy plan for the campus. He or she would work closely with Chris Setzer, director of the physical plant for Buildings and Grounds.

Anderson also said the Sustainability Task Force is working to improve the recycling program.

Students are placing experimental recycling bins in the Conrades-Schimmel Science Center offices. She said this would help encourage faculty who do not recycle.

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“It takes prior planning combined with a heaping helping of flexibility to adjust the plan as events unfold,” Castelli said. “I am very proud of my team. They absolutely rose to the occasion.”

Castelli said over 30 employees showed up, with some of them arriving as early as 4 a.m.

“Several of our team came from homes without power so we booked several hotel rooms so that they would have a warm bed and a hot shower to go to after a long hard day,” Castelli said. “Of course, that also helps them be fresh for whatever fun we encounter

tomorrow [Thursday].”

Castelli said constant contact with his team, careful relocation of food from HamWil to Smith and a lot of preparation went into the successful food service Wednesday.

“They not only put out good heart food, but also created some wonderful, healthy and fun dishes today,” Castelli said. “I dare say we’ve never had Hamburger Pizza until today, and the cook to order veggie wrap at My Pantry was presented wonderfully.”

He also said students were understanding and appreciative throughout the day.

“They make it very easy for us to strive to make the dining experience the best it can be,” Castelli said.

Castelli said several small refrigerators and freezers will be disposed of because of the loss of electricity. He said he expects dining services to resume as normal.

Like Dining Services, B&G are essential personnel and were required to report on Wednesday. Setzer said approximately 40 employees reported.

“Some employees worked on restoring power and some worked on monitoring and maintaining heat in the affected buildings,” Setzer said. “The majority of the employees worked on removing ice from the sidewalks and parking lots.”

Setzer said the B&G staff needs to check that all build-

ing equipment has restarted and is operating correctly. He said they also need to reset alarm systems and verify the controls are operating correctly.

“We normally find a number of minor problems that need correction,” Setzer said. “On occasion there may be a serious problem with a major piece of equipment that will take several days to repair.”

Power was restored to the academic and central portions of campus at around 5 p.m. Wednesday evening.

The Peace & Justice House and Chi Phi received power again later that night. As of Thursday morning, work was still underway on Sanborn Hall.

Please Recycle



Don't drink and drive

The life you take may not be your own

Opinion

From the editor:

Where is the love?

Last week I was involved in my first car accident. Thankfully, no one was hurt, and you better believe I kissed my dashboard Buddha in gratitude.

My friend and I were driving down South Sandusky Street, approaching the intersection by Marco’s Pizza, when a car coming from the left ran a red light and sped out in front of us. I slammed on my brakes, but still crunched into the side of the other vehicle.

I was overwhelmed and in shock as I watched the other car proceed to speed around the corner, away from the scene of the accident. This was the first time in my life where I was legitimately speechless. Which, if you know me, is quite out of the ordinary. I managed to pull my car out of the intersection and park it next to the other vehicle. The other driver was nowhere in sight.

What should I do now? Should I call the police? Or maybe I should call my dad first and ask him what to do because dads always know. Or should I call AAA? When you go through driving school in 11th grade, they don’t teach you how to deal with jerks who can’t cope with their wrong decisions. What I most wanted to do was curl up into a ball and have my mom come get me, but obviously that was not going to happen. As an adult, it is my responsibility to handle these sorts of situations. So, where to find the other driver…?

The other driver, who had a suspended license and did not own the vehicle, hid inside of the restaurant until the police came. What in the world could he have been thinking? I mean really, if you’re going to perform a hit and run you had better run farther than around the corner. He did not stop and did not even speak to us to see if we were alright after the accident. What sort of person would do such a thing?

Of course, what accident would be complete without rubbernecking bystanders? There were five or six other cars at the intersection either driving through or waiting at the stoplight. Five or six other cars saw two young women t-bone the side of a vehicle that ran a red light. Did they see our airbags deploy? No. Did they see us walk safely out of the car and stand up, unharmed? No.

What they saw was the other vehicle drive away, and then they did the same. Not one of the cars at the intersection stopped to give us their information, be a witness for us or even see if we were injured in the crash. Where is the compassion? The driver who hid inside of the restaurant and the other drivers near the accident carried on with their days as though this sort of thing happens all of the time.

Where did the humanity go? Maybe people are so desensitized to trauma and pain that they do not respond when they see it anymore. Or maybe, they thought someone else would stop and someone else would call the police. What happens when everyone thinks that; when no one stops?

Last week I lost a little respect for those other people, the five or six cars and the red light driver. I want to know why people have stopped caring about one another, why neighbors don’t chat over their fences anymore and why people so often seem disconnected. I’m not sure these questions can be answered, but I do know one thing. If I ever witness an accident you can be sure that I’ll stop to check on those people.

Rachel Ramey
Editor-in-Chief

For the first issue of February, the staff of The Transcript would like to ask you to commemorate and remember Black History Month.

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Quote of the Week: “As RLCs we work to ensure our residents have a safe environment, so in this particular case that meant that I worked with SLU residents to ensure they had places to sleep.”

– Carrie Miller, Residential Life Coordinator for the SLUs

CFL bulbs spiral towards energy efficiency



In last week’s Green Scene, we discussed the importance of setting a sustainability goal and the potential impact it could have on your wallet.

Recall that we determined that the average American’s utility bills are well in excess of \$200 each month, even despite the relatively inexpensive price we currently pay for our energy. And while you may not be billed directly for these energy costs while at Ohio Wesleyan, there will come a time in the very near future that you will have the privilege of paying your own utilities.

What you may not know is there are plenty of low or no cost ways to reduce your own personal energy use on a daily basis. Over the next few weeks, I will provide tips that will hopefully help you reduce your carbon footprint one day while saving yourself money at the same time.

Knowing how much energy the average American consumes, it is important to recognize how we use electricity at home or around the dorm. It is estimated around

11 percent of home energy use is used for lighting.

This figure can be significantly reduced by simply replacing all incandescent light bulbs around your house or apartment with compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs). Energy Star qualified CFL bulbs use up to 75 percent less energy than a standard incandescent light bulb and can last up to twelve times longer.

Energy Star estimates that if every American replaced just one incandescent light bulb with a CFL, it would save enough energy to power three million homes for a year. It would also save around \$700 million in yearly energy costs and would prevent 9 billion pounds of greenhouse gas emissions per year.

Also, since CFL bulbs last 10-12 times longer than an incandescent bulb, homeowners will end up paying less for one CFL bulb than they would to replace numerous incandescent bulbs over the lifetime of the CFL bulb.

On top of the maintenance savings, installing CFL bulbs around the house could save hundreds of dollars in electricity over the lifetime of the bulb. According to Energy Star, CFL bulbs could yield a return on investment between 2,000 and 5,000 percent of the initial cost of the CFL bulb. How is that for a return on investment?

Within 400 hours of CFL use, the bulb will end up paying for itself through the

energy it saves, with the remaining thousands of hours of use translating to money in your wallet. In fact, most CFL bulbs last so long they are guaranteed with full bulb replacement warranties of up to nine years.

While CFL bulbs are extremely energy efficient, it is also important to note all CFL bulbs contain trace amounts of mercury. If a CFL bulb breaks in your home, proper measures must be taken to dispose of the bulb.

The Energy Star website has important safety tips for handling and disposing of broken CFL bulbs. It is highly recommended anyone who currently owns CFL bulbs or plans on purchasing them, consult the Energy Star website to learn about safe handling of broken CFL bulbs and proper disposal guidelines.

However, it is important to note that no mercury is released when the bulbs are intact or in use. In addition, scientific studies have shown as much as four times more mercury is released into the environment by coal-fired power plants through the energy required to power one incandescent bulb, than the total amount of mercury contained within a single CFL bulb.

For more information on CFL light bulbs and CFL bulb disposal guidelines, visit the Energy Star website at www.energystar.gov.

Jack Frost, why did you nip my nose so hard?



I sit writing this on a comfortable futon in my off-campus apartment. It’s Tuesday morning, the first day of February. The world outside is encased in ice. Just a few hours ago, I broke my ice scraper into several pieces trying to clear off my car so my girlfriend could go to work.

Too bad there’s not a Level 3 Ice Emergency. Did we forget that water does other things besides making snowflakes?

Sometimes, water is water. We call that a liquid state. Sometimes, water is fog. We call that a gaseous state. And sometimes, water comes down in freezing torrents to make your sidewalks into ice sheets. Or it falls from the sky like piercing needles of torment. We call that a solid state, or “wintry mix.”

I look down Washington Street toward Beeghly. The buzz around Facebook is that there’s a power outage and that the sidewalks aren’t salted. As of 9:55 a.m. no one has broken a leg. Yet. But I might be the first as I skate down the street. I do not have people to put down salt for me. I’m two blocks from the library, but for some reason, I am perfectly happy here.

Part of me wishes I still lived on campus. I would probably be standing at the top of the hill in front of Smith (if I could

even make it up there) with some sort of apocalyptic sign. I would be dressed in black and I would have a trash can next to me, flames coming up from it as I burned something, like in RENT. I would probably be burning flyers from events that happened two weeks ago but were still hanging up.

But I’m still in my bathrobe and sitting at my house. I’m waiting for the emergency Connect-ED system to tell me what’s going on. Should I go to my meeting for the Transcript? Should I do the homework I haven’t done yet? How are people going to eat if the power is out? Have the B&G generators kicked in? Has anyone slipped yet? What the hell is going on?

I keep waiting for campus-wide emails to pop up on my phone and tell me what’s going on, but I know *that* won’t happen. If I understand the email system correctly, someone in administration has to approve all the campus-wides before they go out. And there’s no way they can do that right now. Because there’s no power. Oops.

Either the administration is still deciding what to tell us, or it is just complete chaos in University Hall. The only people I can really rely on are my fellow students. But they aren’t telling me anything new.

I hope today is a lesson for the rest of the year, in case we have something like this again. Which we might. In case the Tea Party hasn’t noticed, global warming is real. And that’s why we have such extreme weather.

Plus, it’s Ohio. You never know what the sky is going to dump on you in Ohio.

I understand we’re a residential campus and people have the capability to walk (that is, if the sidewalks are salted). What about our professors and commuter students, who have to drive? What about

off-campus students like me who have to slip and slide to campus? If you’re going to ask us all to come, you should at least let us all know what’s going on and not leave it to Facebook and word of mouth.

And for God’s sake, this was all in the forecast. Couldn’t you have asked that salt was put down last night so that B&G didn’t have to risk killing themselves today? I don’t want them getting hurt either, of course. They’re probably out there hauling ass to make sure we stay safe.

I don’t want *anyone* getting hurt in this weather. That’s why I’m a strong proponent of snow days. Or, since there is nothing in our policy about ice days, let’s make an ice day. Seriously.

An alternate idea is to buy everyone ice picks for their shoes with all the money we spend on attracting prospies. Why don’t you want to keep the students you already *have*, guys? Sell some of those OWU souvenirs and buy me some damn spelunking shoes. Or an ice pick. Or skis. *Something*.

By the time everyone reads this, it’ll be old news. And I know that people bitch and moan about snow every year. But it still deserves to be said, in my opinion.

No matter how “residential” your campus is, icy sidewalks aren’t safe. Freezing rain doesn’t give two shits how many feet Hayes is from the academic side. It’s still going to come down. Sleet is unbiased, too: even if everyone lived in dorms it would still be on the sidewalks, waiting to kill us all.

But we all *don’t* live in dorms, on Williams or on Oak Hill. Professors and staff need to live. The small group of us who live off-campus need to survive, too.

I’m ready for some summer up in here.

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Arts&Entertainment

‘Erasing the Distance’ bridges the mental illness gap

By **Tori Morris**
Transcript Correspondent

Last Tuesday, performers from Erasing the Distance shared heartfelt stories about mental illness in Stuy Smoker. The non-profit organization is based in Chicago and seeks to increase awareness and reduce stigma of mental illness through theatrical performances. The program was brought to campus by the OWU chapter of Active Minds, a student-run, mental health awareness and advocacy group. Funding was

provided by WCSA and the OWU Psychology Department. Founded in 2005, Erasing the Distance serves to a wide range of communities. According to their website, the organization has performed for over 20,000 people. At the beginning of the performance, Outreach Director and actress Jessica Mondres said the actors and actresses retell actual stories that are submitted to the organization. “We don’t change the words of the storyteller, just the names,” said Mondres. The performers presented four stories from the lives of



“Jay,” who shared his experience of being in a relationship with someone with an eating disorder, “Rose,” who suffers from bipolar disorder, “Keith,” who lives with OCD and “Karen,” a victim of sexual assault.

The storytelling was followed by a discussion about the organization, the performance and mental health awareness. Mondres stressed the importance of mental health awareness and seeking help

with mental disorders. “One in five people have a mental disorder,” she said. “This [performance] is something that really touches home to everybody. People think they’re alone, that it’s unique to them, but they are not [alone].” Andrea Hatfield, president of Active Minds, said she hopes the performance benefits students who suffer from mental disorders or knows someone who does. “I hope those in the audience were moved and that maybe a few people became more willing to talk about their

struggles, or more willing to seek help for themselves or a loved one,” she said. However, Mondres emphasized the mission of the organization is to create awareness, not to give help. Students were encouraged to take pamphlets with information about mental health services at OWU that were available at the performance. “We’re not professionals,” Mondres said. “We’re only here for advocacy. There is information available for mental health professionals, if needed.”

Beehive Books buzzes with excitement over author Susan Pohlman

Susan Pohlman, author of inspirational memoir *Halfway to Each Other*, will read from her book on Tuesday, Feb. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Beehive Books, 25 North Sandusky street in Delaware.

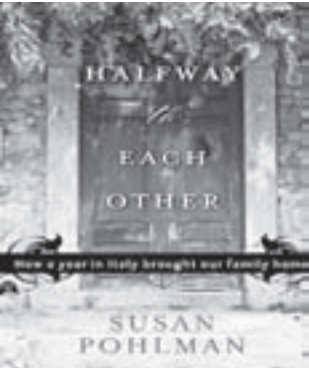
Pohlman, who has close ties to Ohio, will sign copies of her book about her family’s life-changing journey in Italy. Co-owner of Beehive Books, Mel Corroto said the employees are excited to have Pohlman share her culture with the Delaware community. “We’re delighted to host Susan’s reading,” he said. “In the spirit of her book, we’re inviting guests to enjoy a glass of Italian wine and be inspired by Susan’s fascinating story.” Tired, empty and disillusioned with her married life, Pohlman was about to call it quits with her husband of 18 years.

They both decided to take a leap of faith and unexpectedly found love again in a small seaside town in Italy. Pohlman said this idea was completely spontaneous. “On the eve of our separation, my husband, Tim, and I made a most unexpected decision fueled by faith, grace and hope.” While on a business trip to Italy, they decided to lease an apartment and enroll their children, Katie, 14, and Matt, 11, in an international school. “Our marital therapist called it an elaborate scheme of avoidance at best,” she



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Author Susan Pohlman will read from her latest book *Halfway to Each Other* at Beehive Books on Tuesday, Feb. 8.



said. However, she and Tim knew they had to extricate themselves from a life that was not working. By simplifying their lives, struggling to learn a foreign language and navigating their new Italian lifestyle, the Pohlmans learned to communicate with each other again and saved their marriage. “You don’t need to go to Italy to learn these lessons,” she said. “But I learned that over-planning our family’s life was stifling the fun of discovery. Now, instead of viewing our life as a series of achievements, I cultivate ad-

venture wherever I can.” Pohlman was born in Dayton and raised in New Jersey. She studied at the University of Dayton where she met her husband, Tim, a native of Delphos, Ohio. She worked as a teacher in Centerville for three years, and then the family moved to Los Angeles. Though they have settled in Phoenix, the family’s ties to Ohio remain strong and they visit twice a year. Their visits may increase because their son, Matt, just signed to play volleyball at Ohio State University.

‘Landscape’ a challenging senior project

By **Alex Crump**
Photo Editor

Two chairs, a coffee table set with two mugs, a lamp turned low and a basket of bread was the setting for the senior projects Saturday night. Seniors Katelyn Schroeder and Gus Steiner starred in the production of *Landscape* by Harold Pinter, for their final performance at Ohio Wesleyan. Schroeder provided a look into the show’s storyline. “The show is about two people who are settled in a relationship together,” she said. “However, Beth is still in love with another man and Duff is trying to reach out.” Schroder, who plays “Beth,” said *Landscape* explores the growth of relationship. She is accompanied by Steiner who plays “Duff.”

Their performance of *Landscape* was done in a classroom in the Chappelle Drama Center. Although it is a non-traditional space for performances, it was necessary for this show. The show was intimate and involved no movement by the actors. Both Schroeder and Steiner said they could not imagine doing the performance in another space. One audience viewer, sophomore Samantha Lichtenberger, said she felt the set-up was intriguing. “I think that [the setup] really allowed us to get involved in the play, even though there wasn’t very much of the typical ‘action’ that one might’ve expected,” she said. The production was directed by sophomore Sam Irvine.



Photo By Alex Crump
Seniors Katelyn Schroeder and Gus Steiner rehearsed their senior project *Landscape* which premiered last Friday.

He said he wanted the audience to really appreciate the space. “Landscape is so poetic,” he said. “The two continuous monologues were less plot-oriented as much as they were atmospheric.” Steiner said he wanted the students to use their imagination. “I just wanted them to make up their own story,” he said. “There’s no right or wrong answer.” While Steiner, Schroeder and Irvine wanted the audience to gain something from the performance, they also recognized the challenges that went along with the project. Irvine said he had a tough time keeping the show interesting due to the simplistic layout.

“[The hardest part was] keeping it fresh,” he said. “The two characters are seated the entire run of the show so being able to show variety in the slightest way was the most challenging part of the project.” Schroeder said she worried about connecting with the audience during the show. “It’s not an audience-friendly piece,” she said. “I wasn’t sure we could pull it off.” Despite the obstacles, the unusual arrangement was actually something Schroeder and Steiner had seen before. As freshman, they were paired together to do a similar performance with limited action. This was a bitter sweet ending for the pair, as they closed their OWU theater career the same way they began.

Record revival: The most anticipated albums of 2011

By **Alexis Williams**
Arts & Entertainment Editor

What do Beyoncé, Chris Brown, Lady GaGa, Britney Spears, Lil’ Wayne, Drake, Kanye West and Jay-Z all have in common? Yeah, yeah, yeah, they’re all rich and famous. We know! However, in more exciting news, these stars, in addition to a bunch of other artists, all will drop albums throughout the 2011 year. For all the die-hard music lovers out there, a universal exclamation of “FINALLY!” is probably waiting to be exclaimed from the depths of your vocal cords as you read this. And it’s completely understandable.

Let’s start this excitement off with a diva that pumps out number one hits like, well, it’s her job. The one and only Beyoncé is fresh off the success of her “I Am...” world tour, and it seems like she shows no signs of stopping anytime soon. Though no album title has been released yet, you can expect nothing less than another string of catchy, chart-toppers from Sasha Fierce. As for the Hip-Hop world,



Photos from google.com
Beyonce, Chris Brown, Lady GaGa, Britney Spears, Lil’ Wayne, Drake, Kanye West, and Jay-Z are only a fraction of artists coming out with new albums this year.

its’ inhabitants better get ready for a double dose of Rocafella’s finest. Jay-Z aka HOV aka Beyoncé’s husband is teaming up with the king of controversy, Kanye West. The two have collaborated on songs like “Monster,” “Run This Town,” and “Swagga Like Us” which were instant hits. Be on the lookout for Watch the Throne. It could potentially be one of the best rap albums of all time—of all time!

On to another Mr. Carter that the world just can’t get enough of. Lil’ Wayne plans on releasing Tha Carter IV sometime this year. Fresh out of the clink, Weezy immediately hit the studio and produced “6 Foot 7 Foot,” but that’s only the beginning. The New Orleans rapper is guaranteed to blow fans away with heavy-hitting beats and signature off-the-wall line delivery. Prepare for a long, twisted trip to Wayne’s World.

Get psyched, little monsters because Lady GaGa is back! She has had an unprecedented career thus far, setting a completely new standard to the average pop sensation. With back-to-back album releases and countless awards racked up along the way, GaGa’s impending LP, Born This Way will be a mixture of every genre you can “Just Dance” to. Chris Brown is no longer the squeaky clean golden boy from his earlier years. Yet,

he’s managed to revive what was left of his career with a heartfelt tribute performance in honor of his idol, Michael Jackson at the 2010 BET Awards. Though his last album Graffiti received mixed reviews, Brown plans on making the ultimate comeback with his new record, F.A.M.E., which stands for “Forgiving All My Enemies.” Maybe the Pop and R&B charts will be sympathetic. Drake is on a quest to beat

the sophomore slump with the release of Take Care sometime in the spring. Considering his track record of collaborations, which includes mentor Lil’ Wayne, Eminem and Rihanna, the Canadian rapper should have no problem. Expect more of that undeniable Drizzy flow and intricate lyricism that still leaves you scratching your head in disbelief at his creativity afterward. All eyes will definitely be on Britney Spears when her currently untitled album debuts in March. Following her “Circus” tour, Spears has been in and out of the studio but mostly lying low from her crazy, hectic life. Ah, to be young, rich, and famous. Her sneak peek release of “Hold It Against Me,” already has the hearts of fans all aflutter. Record and iTunes sales should be off the charts throughout 2011. Other artists with albums in the works include, Lauryn Hill, Dr. Dre, The Beastie Boys and Lupe Fiasco. All fans can ask for from these artists at this point is simple—deliver.

Bishops Sports

Bishops come alive with two key wins

By Christopher Lathem
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The men’s basketball team (12-8, 8-3) extended its win streak to eight games with wins over conference foes Wabash and Allegheny.

The Bishops have gone undefeated (7-0) in January. This is the first time the men’s basketball team has gone undefeated for an entire month since the 1987-88 team, which later that season won the NCAA Division III national title.

Sophomore Andy Winters said the main factor behind the eight game winning streak is the team play that has emerged.

“We are playing unselfish and have come to understand each player’s role on the team,” he said.

Junior Tim Brady agrees with Winters.

“We are a very young team but also very talented,” he said. “It was just a matter of time before we would mature as a team and play as well as we can. In the month of January we hit our stride.”

Wabash was ranked 11th nationally before being upended by the Bishops 87-76 at Branch Rickey Arena last Wednesday. Brady led the way with a career-high 36 points en route to the victory. Sophomore Marshall Morris added 15 points, and Winters scored 10 points and had 8 assists.

Next for the Bishops was Allegheny. Coming off of the big home win against Wabash, it was important for the team



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ABOVE: Team members Andrew Martin, Billy Reilich, Danny Flanagan, and Eric Easley watch in anticipation as the Bishops play defense. **RIGHT:** Junior Tim Brady goes up for a shot against a Wabash defender. **BELOW RIGHT:** Fans John Milbourne, Jimmy Wilson, Alex Bailey, Eduardo Gonzales, Chad Williams, Kollin Tossey, Dave Stewart and Jake Eckard riot after a bad call Wednesday night. **BELOW LEFT:** Sophomore Marshall Morris goes up for a shot against Wabash.



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not to overlook a meaningful conference game at Allegheny.

Brady said they learned that lesson earlier this month. They won an important game, then overlooked their next opponent and almost lost the game.

“Earlier this year we had a big win at Hiram and then

that following Wednesday we played Oberlin at home and played terrible against Oberlin,” he said. “So I think we all learned from that and when we came into practice Thursday after the Wabash game, we were all concentrated on Allegheny.”

The Bishops remained focused and led nearly the entire game as they defeated Allegheny 69-61. They were lead by Morris, who matched his career-best with 20 points, and added 15 rebounds. Brady also added 19 points in the victory.

Brady was later named

NCAC Men’s Basketball Player of the Week for his performances against Wabash and Allegheny. Winters commented on the team’s ability to hit their stride at the right time.

“We’ve been able to come to together and be successful even though we are young,

because of our team chemistry,” he said. “Everyone on the team gets along and wants the same goal each game, to win. Also we make basketball fun for all of us and that helps us be successful, because we can just go out there and play.”

Women’s basketball looking to finish strong

Lady Bishops look ahead to the tournament

By Travis Wall
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The women’s basketball team remains undeterred and is focused on concluding the regular season on a high note following two losses last week.

It would be easy to dwell on those losses, but the team knows wasting time on those thoughts will only hinder the chances of making a deep run in the NCAC tournament.

All losses may look the same, but senior Kayla Gordon said their recent losses were for completely different reasons.

“We just didn’t play well together as a team when we lost to Kenyon,” Gordon said. “The Allegheny game was a lot different because we played much better, but just didn’t get the result.”

Despite the two losses, the Lady Bishops are still in a three-way tie for second place in the conference standings. The top four seeds at the end of the regular season are awarded with a first-round tournament game on the campus of their respective school.

Finishing in the top four is familiar territory for this senior class, who has done so each year of their collegiate career. Senior Tyler Cordell said she knows the seeds don’t dictate the end results.

“Right now we are in second place, which positions us to host a tournament game, which we are happy about,” Cordell said. “We won the tournament and went to the NCAA’s my sophomore year as the fourth seed, so we know that anything can happen.”

Historically, entering the tournament as the first seed has served as somewhat of a curse, considering only one out of the last four seasons has resulted in the first seed taking home the championship trophy.

In order to be successful in the tournament, the team will need underclassmen to step up. Cordell, Gordon and senior Pam Quigney currently lead the team in scoring, but have been getting assists from freshmen Tamra Landot, Julia Grimsley and Kalee Seagle.

Cordell said she is happy with the way the underclassmen have been performing this season. In particular, she said she has noticed the performance of sophomore Kandis Walker, a point guard.

“Walker has been playing great and has done a great job taking over the point guard position,” Cordell said. “She finds the open shooter and takes care of the ball.”

Walker, who has been a starting player the entire second half of the season, said she doesn’t think the team is too far off from hitting their stride.

“In order to make a run in the tournament, we need to improve our ability to overcome adversity throughout the course of a game,” Walker said. “We need to work toward being physically and mentally tough enough to compete with every opponent.”

Last night, the team played against Denison, who is currently ranked No. 11 in the country. Quigney said this game served as a stepping stone for the team in efforts to prepare for the tournament.

Senior spotlight: Q&A with 4 year letter women

By Brittany Vickers
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Pam Quigney, guard
What do you enjoy most about being an athlete?

I love having something to do and I love sports. I love having the opportunity to continue playing basketball and I play tennis as well, to

be able to still compete at this level, it’s awesome.

How do you think athletics has changed your career?

I think I would just be so depressed if I was just a student. I love the fact that I have something to look forward to in the afternoon, it’s something fun. Getting to spend time with teammates; you have your own family and friends on the team.

Would you recommend athletes play all four years?

This is the last four years I have to play basketball competitively, which is something I love to do. After college is over I’m not going to get that chance. Once your four years are up you can’t play competitively like you can here.

What is your favorite moment in your career?

My sophomore year we played Denison in the conference tourney. They were undefeated, at least in our conference; it was the semi-final game, we were so determined to beat them and we did. We played our best basketball of the whole year. We just played well together as a team, it was so exciting, and we ended up winning the championship the next day.

What do you do outside of athletics?

I’m involved in other things on campus too, I did orientation for the freshman, I’m in Fellowship of Christian Athletes; I also am a part OWAC, Ohio Wesleyan Athletic Council. I try to hang out with my roommate or my friends, I like to go out dancing, and that’s always fun.

What is your major and how will your career in athletics help you in life?

I am a physical education major. After OWU I would like to teach and coach. I feel like physical education and athletics go hand and hand together. Just by playing you can see what works and doesn’t work I can transfer that over to coaching.

What advice do you have for underclassman athletes?

Keep playing, especially if you’re passionate, you only have four years to play.

Tyler Cordell, Guard/Small Forward
What do you enjoy most about being an athlete?



We get the chance to compete, and I’m a competitor, whether it’s who can tie their shoes faster or who can make more shots, I’m going to compete. It’s also about the relationships you make and the people

we meet through athletics. I believe destiny happens and through athletics we’re able to meet people that were put in our life for a reason.

Would you recommend playing all four years?

I would highly recommend playing four years, it shows who you are. More responsibilities come and the competition gets harder as you get older. But it’s an opportunity that not many people have, there’s only a certain amount of athletes for a reason. Quitting makes it easier.

Would you recommend playing for all four years?

Collegiate athletics is the end. You get another four years to reinvent yourself here. Coming here and getting to play for four more years really helped me figure out myself as an athlete and as a person.

What are some pros and cons about being involved in athletics?

A pro is you know how to manage your time. It’s also a con cause athletics takes up a lot of your time, but being able to prioritize is definitely a pro. I also think the opportunities you get are a huge pro. I’ve met so many people through athletics.

What’s your favorite sports moment?

I think beating Kenyon on their floor was great for us. There’s certainly moments I’ve had that can never be replaced, I may not remember specific numbers but I’ll never forget the moments.

What’s your major, and how will your career in athletics help you in your future?

I’m sociology/sports management double major. I hope to work in community relations in professional sports and better communities around me. I think in athletics we have an opportunity that other organizations don’t. Being able to prioritize will help me, my field has a lot of things going on at once. Getting the job done as well as I can is important. Also, knowing the game will definitely help if I want to get involved in professional sports.

Kayla Gordon, Forward
What do you enjoy most about being an athlete?



I love being an athlete, I get to be competitive and push myself.

How has athletics changed your college experience?

Athletics has given me a support system in college. My two families have helped me develop into who I am today.

Would you recommend sticking with a sport for 4 years?

I recommend sticking with a sport, it creates character and helps develop a person and push them to new achievements. Sports also develop a networking and support system with other athletes and coaches. To stick with sports for 4 years says something about an individual. You become more able to push through adversity and develop a fighting personality.

What are the Pro’s and Con’s to being an athlete?

The Pro’s are the family you develop with the same interests and time schedule you have. They know exactly what is going on and can give you support. The Con’s of being a student-athlete is in the development of friends outside of the sport. Sometimes it is hard to develop good friendships when there are always time commitments of an athlete.

What’s your favorite sports moment in your career?

When we won the NCAC tournament championship in 2008. We were a young team, and the underdogs. We played together and advancing to the NCAA tournament was an amazing accomplishment.

How has athletics changed your academic experience?

I’ve become good at managing my time. With athletics already scheduled, I can’t procrastinate one more day to read or write a paper so my grades have definitely benefited from me keeping on task.

What is your major and how will your career in athletics help you in life?

I’m a psychology/women’s & gender studies double major and coaching minor. Athletics inspired my future plans, I hope to become a collegiate basketball coach.

Do you have any words of advice for young athletes?

Always work hard. If anyone ever tells you that you are only going to be so good or you won’t make it, go for your dreams and prove them wrong.