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**OWU 2.0
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By Andy Wittenberg
Transcript Reporter

Ohio Wesleyan will redesign its website within a year and progressively add functionality to its cell phone application, according to Chief Information Officer David Rellinger.

Information services is working on developing “myowu.edu” into a campus-wide portal which will integrate many currently spread-out features.

“From one webpage you will be able to manage Org-Sync, view the OWU events calendar and reserve rooms for campus organizations,” Rellinger said.

Students will be able to pay bills, view and pay account balance, allow others to remotely pay account balances, view announcements, work on blackboard and see the weather—all from one place.

“The idea behind this portal is to aggregate all these data sources together and do them from one interface,” Rellinger said. “(Many) of the physical things you have to do (will be integrated online).”

He said the OWU 2.0 portal will also be streamlined with a “content based affiliation,” meaning specific groups of users, including students or faculty, will only see what is relevant to them.

Senior Mollie Kalaycio said she thinks it’s cool the university is upgrading, but she doesn’t see anything wrong with the current services.

Junior Rebecca Muhl said she thinks the new system will be “handy.”

“I struggle with going to multiple sources to retrieve information...I have to turn in (my) time cards manually,” she said. “(It) would be nice.”

Rellinger said in the next few years he expects to see more of what will be on the portal integrated onto the OWU cell phone application as well.

“We’ve got over 1,000 downloads already and we haven’t really done anything (marketing-wise),” he said.

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Fraternity members lose thousands over summer Housekeeping staff threw away clothing; anonymous thieves swiped belongings

By Kathleen Dalton
Transcript Reporter

More than \$10,000 dollars’ worth of possessions were stolen from fraternities on campus during the summer holiday.

Director of Public Safety Robert Wood said the University’s Public Safety (PS) investigator is looking into the thefts, but the school is currently unable to make any speculations as to who may have been behind said thefts.

PS is working with the Delaware Police Department to investigate. Televisions, small refrigerators, electronic games, stereos and computer equipment were the most common items stolen from students. Wood said students who have insurance on these items will be able to recover funds.

Sigma Chi fraternity experienced the bulk of the thefts. The fraternity’s chapter room was broken into and everything of value not bolted down was stolen.

Senior Alex Jacobs, a Sigma Chi, said drawers were completely “ransacked and looted.” Many of the students whose items were stolen are currently abroad. This, Jacobs said, makes it even more difficult to ascertain exactly how much was stolen from the fraternity.

Senior Samuel Newman, president of Sigma Chi, said he estimates just over \$10,000 dollars’ worth of items were stolen.

Jacobs and Newman said they were disappointed that an item of great value to the members of Sigma Chi was stolen—a badge belonging to a chapter president in the 1800s.

The badge was stolen from Newman’s room, which he locked before the start of the summer holidays.



Above left: Senior Sean Tate (second from left), president of Delt, stands with three members of his fraternity, in front of the closets where clothing was kept over the summer. Above right: An open closet in the Delta Tau Delta fraternity house.

“There is really nothing we can do to get it back,” Newman said. “We are currently in contact with local jewelers and pawn shops, as well as the greater Columbus area jewelers and pawn shops, to see if they have seen a badge matching our description.”

The members of Sigma Chi haven’t had any luck in their search.

Newman said he hopes to have a meeting with university officials.

“We have just completed a letter stating that the Sigma Chi undergraduates, alumni and possibly parents, want a face-to-face meeting with school officials to discuss the matter,” Newman said.

This meeting would address compensation for student losses.

Newman said he was largely concerned because the burglary wasn’t forced. The front door to Sigma Chi hadn’t had

a working lock for eight years.

“The University was well aware of this for the majority of that time period,” Newman said. “Yet (they) didn’t seem to make it a priority to get it fixed.”

Newman said the front door was fixed the day after the robbery was reported. A Memorandum of Understanding agreement between the fraternity and school stated that items fraternity members stored in the chapter room would be kept safe over the summer holiday.

Newman said he is concerned because this agreement was not kept.

Other fraternities on campus experienced similar frustrations. Delta Tau Delta (Delt) had \$800 to \$900 dollars worth of goods stolen during the summer.

Senior Sean Tate, president of Delt, said cleaning staff went through student closets



during the summer holiday and threw all clothes kept in closets into the dumpster outside of the fraternity building.

The clothes Delt members were able to salvage were covered in mold.

“I was, overall, disappointed that (the cleaning staff) would throw away all that stuff,” Tate said. “I was surprised by their lack of concern for other people’s stuff.”

Junior Adam Dettra, a member of Delt, said he was forced to go “dumpster diving” to retrieve his clothing.

“Not only did they throw away personal items, but plaques were thrown away too,” Dettra said.

Tate said he was informed by Delt’s house father that the cleaning staff left doors to the fraternity unlocked while they were cleaning during the summer. This information led Tate to believe Delaware residents who were stopping by to look

through dumpsters for discarded furniture could have broken into the fraternity to steal additional items.

The university hired Aramark, a cleaning company, to replace Ohio Wesleyan housekeeping staff this summer. The replacement was due mainly to funding issues.

Darryl Phelps, the director of Aramark at Ohio Wesleyan, said he wasn’t aware of any of the thefts or the removal of clothing from the Delt fraternity. Phelps took over as director of housekeeping in June, but didn’t gain full responsibility for the housekeeping staff until August. He spent the first two months of his employment assessing the situation at the university.

Wood said thefts have occurred on campus before, but never to this extent.

“It is very unusual to have such a large amount of missing items,” Wood said.

Alumna returns to share experiences in Peace Corps

By Suzanna Samin
Transcript Reporter

Leslie Noyes Mass (’62) said her work with the Peace Corps in Pakistan made a tangible difference, which she saw upon her return.

Mass said she joined the Peace Corps immediately after graduation. She wrote her book, “Back To Pakistan: A Fifty Year Journey,” on returning after 50 years to find she had made a significant impact and was still remembered by those who lived around her.

She presented her lecture at Beehive Books last Wednesday.

Mass insisted the lecture, which was attended by Delaware residents and Ohio Wesleyan students, should be a casual conversation.

She opened the lecture by asking if anyone in attendance had been to Pakistan before. A few audience members raised their hands.

Mass said she joined the Peace Corps in 1962 when the organization was only a year old. She was stationed in West Pakistan in a village named Dhamke, to work with women and young girls. She said the idea behind the Peace Corps at

the time was to “help people help themselves.”

She created a social center for women and wished to teach them how to run it.

“The Muslim women were not allowed to visit me,” Mass said. “I tried to make friends with their children and grandmothers.”

She said because Muslim women at this time were not allowed to leave their residences, she interacted with little boys first, who brought their little sisters, and then gradually brought women in.

“They wanted to see my books, they wanted to see my underwear, they wanted to see it all,” Mass said.

Mass said as women began to attend her social center, she started to teach them how to sew and raise chickens. She also began setting up social centers in other nearby areas.

She said as her success slowly became evident, the 1965 war between Pakistan and India began, and she was forced to terminate her program and leave West Pakistan.

She returned to the United States to attend graduate school, receiving a doctorate from The Ohio State University. She went on to become

the director of the Early Childhood Center at Ohio Wesleyan, where she worked until 2007.

She said she felt her time had been cut short. She also said feared she had not made an impact on the women and children of Dhamke.

Forty-five years later, Mass decided to return with two other former Peace Corps members, Barbara Jones and Nancy Parlin, who had also spent time in Pakistan.

Mass explained she was pleased to find the people in the village of Dhamke had remembered her and all the work she had done for them.

She recalled seeing women working outside the home, sitting outside talking on their cell phones and doing many other things which were unheard of during her time there.

Her social center still remained standing and functional.

Mass explained that, fifty years later, education is still one of the largest issues Pakistan faces – only 53 percent of children are enrolled in school, and the literacy rate of Pakistan is 56 percent.

She said while these statistics were low in comparison to other countries, she could not

help but be pleased with how vastly things had improved.

Women, who initially struggled to gain any education, were going abroad to school. Then they were coming back to use their education to aid their country.

She said the people of Pakistan had come up with “Pakistani solutions for Pakistani problems.”

She returned to visit her social center, where she reconvened with the little girls she had worked with, who were now women.

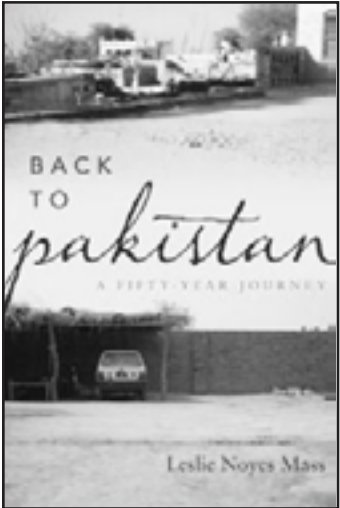
“They told me that by living there so long ago, I had made a difference,” Mass said.

In her final remarks, she said she felt her experience returning to Pakistan showed that Pakistanis and Americans could still be friends.

Junior Moomal Shaikh, an international student from Karachi, Pakistan who attended the lecture, said, “If you touch the life of a Pakistani, they will never forget you.”

Mass presented her lecture as a story, but Mery Kanashiro (’10) said she felt it was more than a story.

“I felt that the lecture was effective at highlighting the changes in Pakistan during a



century that witnessed a monumental amount of change,” Kanashiro said.

“It was fascinating to hear her observations as an American outsider on the challenges that Pakistan has overcome, and has still to face, over the decades.”

“It provided fodder for some very interesting debate and discussion as well among the audience members, and in that regard I think it was very effective at making the audience think critically about American influence and impact as global citizens.”

“Back To Pakistan: A Fifty Year Journey” is available for purchase at Beehive Books.

Memorial garden honors alumni

By Paul Gruber
Transcript Reporter

Ohio Wesleyan students and alumni are some of the bravest people to come by, but perhaps the most courageous are those who gave their lives to protect their country. A memorial garden is being constructed to honor those heroes.

The project was initiated and funded by OWU alumni Dick and Ann Colson Cassell ('64). Dick Cassell served as a pilot in the Vietnam War where he lost several of his OWU friends.

Located in front of Beeghly library, facing the JAYwalk, the memorial garden will contain three granite-covered monuments displaying plaques of the names of fallen veterans.

The new plaques will display 151 names of these heroic men and women that fought and died in the Civil War, Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War.

It will also include a bronze eagle statue perched above the monuments.

The statue was created specifically for the garden by Idaho artist Mike Curtis, who was commissioned by the Cassells.

President Rock Jones worked closely with the Cassells.

“The project came to life out of the passion of Dick and Ann Cassell and their desire to provide a quiet space on campus to commemorate alumni of Ohio Wesleyan, including some of their classmates, who died while in military service,” Jones said.

Names of fallen OWU veterans are currently displayed in Hamilton-Williams Campus Center near the Benes Rooms.

The Cassells said they wanted to have a better way of



Photos by Alex Crump

Above and Below: Construction continues on OWU's new memorial garden.



visually recognizing them.

Prior to construction, the space in front of the library was mostly an open grass area. The Cassells intended not to detract from the greenery.

“Because of their love of the outdoors, a garden seemed a most appropriate setting for the plaques,” Jones said.

“The Cassells hope that

this will be a spot that students [and others] might choose to sit, study, eat lunch, reflect, etc.”

Chris Setzer, director of physical plant, said the project is on schedule to be mostly completed by Homecoming. Weather conditions lately have interfered but have not been a big issue.

The project is commissioned by an outside contractor, BKM, at the request of the Cassells.

“It is a joint effort between Buildings and Grounds and BKM,” Setzer said.

“BKM is doing the majority of the work, and B&G is assisting with the electrical and irrigation work.”

Slimy summer situation in science center

By Paul Gruber
Transcript Reporter

Alternaria, Aspergillium, Penicillium and Stachybotrys – the four culprits responsible for a slimy summer situation that occurred in the chemistry labs at the Schimmel-Conrades Science Center.

On July 25, Dan Vogt, professor of chemistry, found black mold growing on the ceiling tiles of nine labs located on the second and third floors.

He reported it the same day to Buildings and Grounds, but said he did not hear back from them.

Vogt said he informed Bart Martin, professor of geology and geography and chairperson of the department of geology and geography, of the problem.

“I could easily see the black on the bottom of the tiles,” Martin said. “The tiles were wet, and I knew exactly where the water was coming from.”

Chris Setzer, director of physical plant, said the Energy Management System was ad-

justed to raise the temperature coming out of the air handlers. The building normally draws air from outside, cools it to 55 degrees, and then heats it to the desired temperature. The temperature coming out of the handlers was raised to 62 degrees.

“The purpose of raising the temperature was to save energy, first by cooling the air to remove humidity and also to save energy in reheating the air to maintain building comfort,” Setzer said.

Setzer said this modification increased the baseline humidity, but it should not have been the sole cause of the mold. The chiller system had difficulty maintaining the desired air temperature during usually hot and humid days during the summer.

The system also had a mechanical malfunction causing the temperature and humidity in the building to increase further.

The condition was worse on the chemistry side of the building because of the amount of air required for fume hoods.

The air was once again cooled to 60 degrees once the chiller was restarted. This was where most of the water came from.

“Just like a cold can of soda on a hot day will produce condensation,” Setzer said. “The hot humid air against the cool exhaust duct produced a significant amount of condensation which dripped on to the ceiling tiles and molded the tiles.”

Vogt said when he returned to campus on Aug. 8, the mold had gotten worse. He sent a letter to the administration the same day with still no response. At this time the administration was without an Environmental Health and Safety officer.

Then on Aug. 9, Vogt took some of the moldy ceiling tiles and sent them directly to the President’s Office.

“That definitely got their attention,” Vogt said.

Soon after, the mold was taken care of, and the damaged ceiling tiles were removed.

“My reaction was first to change out the ceiling tiles and have the mold tested to ensure

the safety of the personnel in the building,” Setzer said, “the second was to understand the causes of the problem so we do not create the same situation again.”

There were four different types of mold found growing in the labs. Mostly consisting of black mold, or Strachybotrys, tests determined that the threat of causing harm to humans was low. However, these species can still be considered pathogenic. For instance, Aspergillium is related to Aspergillosis.

By Aug. 12, all of the tiles in the labs were replaced. Setzer said the problem, including cleanup and testing, cost approximately \$5,000.

“The irritating thing about it was that they didn’t consult us,” Vogt said. “For example, humidity in the building can cause serious damage to the computer systems. We also have expensive equipment in our labs.”

Setzer gave an explanation of what happened during a meeting with the Dean of Academic Affairs.



How do you feel about the plan for fraternity expansion at OWU?

"I hope FIJI comes back; I'd love to be the president. I have big plans for it -- lots of fun."
--Alex Maser, '14



"I think it's a good idea to bring (in) another fraternity that has a different set of values and is looking for maybe a slightly different group of people."
--Devin Heath, '13



"I'm not against it. More people could get involved in Greek life because there's more options."
--Katie Butt, '15



"It doesn't really pertain to me, so I have no specific opinion, but I think it would be good to expand the Greek community."
--Starla Clark, '15



"Love 'em. Can't get enough of them."
--Will Pierce, '12



Do you have a question for Sound-Off?
Want something answered by fellow students?
E-mail owunews@owu.edu!

Weekly Public Safety Incident Report

September 12-18, 2011		
9/12/11 5:15 p.m. - A Bashford Hall resident was transported to Grady Hospital Emergency Room by Delaware EMS.	white helmet. While he did not seem to pose a threat, the Public Safety Department should be notified if he is sighted on campus.	the Amphitheater. The student refused transport and was treated and released at the scene.
9/12/11 8:40 p.m. – The Delaware Fire Department was dispatched to 10 Williams Drive on a smoke alarm. Inspection of the premises was conducted and scene was cleared.	9/14/11 6:13 p.m. - A non-OWU student was issued a “No Trespass” order by the Delaware City Police after being found near the Stuyvesant Hall construction area by OWU Public Safety officers.	9/17/11 11:03 p.m. – Delaware City Police and OWU Public Safety Officers conducted a search of the Stuyvesant construction area after finding a breach in the fence. No one was found in the building or surrounding area. Repairs were made to the damaged fence.
9/13/11 2:45 p.m. - OWU student contacted the Public Safety office to report mail theft. Investigation is ongoing.	9/15/11 7:02 p.m. – An OWU Public Safety officer assisted with an injured city resident after the youth was struck by a vehicle in a city crosswalk.	9/18/11 12:25 a.m. – Public Safety personnel were dispatched to Welch Hall after a Resident Advisor found an unconscious student in a common area. Delaware EMS was dispatched and evaluated the student. The student refused treatment and was escorted to their residence by OWU PS.
9/14/11 1:59 a.m. - Two OWU students were referred to student conduct for drug offenses after a safety check of a vehicle in the Selby parking lot.	9/15/11 7:28 p.m. – An OWU student was transported by OWU Public Safety from 216 North Franklin Street to Grady Hospital Emergency Room after suffering an injury during an intramural soccer game.	9/18/11 4:20 a.m. – Two OWU students were arrested following an altercation with Public Safety and Delaware City Police Officers at the corner of Spring Street and Oak Hill Avenue. The two officers were treated for injuries as a result of the incident. Investigation is ongoing.
9/14/11 9:35 a.m. – Public Safety personnel were dispatched to Slocum Hall on a report of a suspicious person. Subject was described as a middle-aged white male, with dark hair and graying beard, last seen riding an orange bicycle, wearing a	9/17/11 2:50 p.m. – A Female OWU student was treated by Delaware EMS after losing consciousness during a concert at	

Registrar launches new student scheduling system

By Sarah JanTausch
Transcript Reporter

Ohio Wesleyan University’s Office of the Registrar is working to unveil the OWU Self-Service class scheduling webpage, according to Registrar Shelly McMahon.

“OWU Self-Service will be rolled out to students gradually,” McMahon said. “We are testing to be sure information is correct and links are working properly before opening access.”

McMahon said OWU switched to the new system prior to her arrival here, so she couldn’t speak to all of the particulars.

She said it appears that the university wanted to provide students with an online registering system that was more immediately accessible than the paper registering system.

“Many students were frustrated with the paper system and the random registration process instead of first come, first serve,” McMahon said. “Others wanted to adjust their schedules right away instead of having to wait until a make-up day.”

The new system lets students know if they have a schedule conflict or a missing prerequisite when they register for courses. It also tells students which courses are already full.

The Registrar’s Office stated that the preliminary spring 2012 list of all classes at the university was posted on the OWU Self-Service site. After complications arose, it was re-

“OWU Self-Service hasn’t made my life any easier than JC/X Student Access.”
-- Senior Sydney Bertram

moved from the website until further notice.

“There were courses not scheduled for spring 2012 showing up in the online version of the schedule,” McMahon said. “The Registrar’s Office and faculty felt this was misleading, and the decision was made to remove the schedule until these errors could be corrected.”

She said they hope to have the spring 2012 list of available classes online in the next couple of weeks.

Although the schedule has not been posted, students have encountered other difficulties with the system.

Sophomore Tamiko Hess said she hasn’t enjoyed her experience with the new system.

“For one, the new system forced my JC/X account to say that my academic standing was ‘Academic Dismissal,’ which was extremely distressing during this past summer,” Hess said. “Before, (my) experience with this new system was pretty neutral, but now it’s closer to a strong dislike.”

Hess said that while she doesn’t think it’s difficult to navigate the class schedule, she finds other aspects of the website difficult to use.

“The new system does have listings on what classes are open and how many spots are left, but that’s the only way I think it’s helpful,” Hess said.

“Otherwise it’s kind of hard to navigate to my textbooks, which made it extremely complicated when ordering my books.”

Senior Sydney Bertram said Self-Service was difficult to figure out at first.

“OWU Self-Service hasn’t made my life any easier than JC/X Student Access,” Bertram said. “If anything, the new site takes a little longer to navigate because there are so many tabs and links.”

McMahon said there has been confusion amongst students regarding the news system.

“The majority of students who contacted our office with schedule access issues were attempting to enter through the JC/X portal or had not changed their password,” she said.

“This is a new system and issues such as this are common. We were prepared with instructions in our office, as well as a link to the help website to provide students with access.”

There were other less essential features that some students have noticed are either missing or not working.

Hess said she really misses the GPA projection application that was available on the JC/X Access website.

“It’s nice to see where my cumulative GPA will be by the

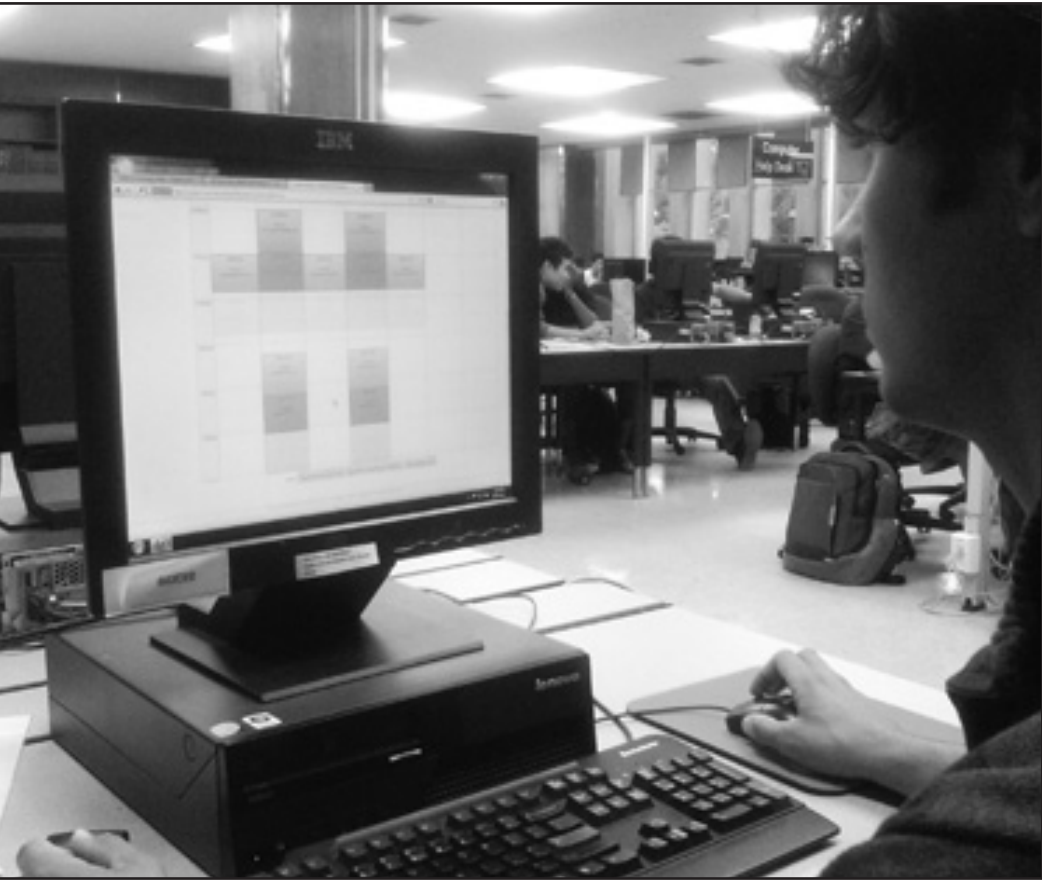


Photo by Sara JanTausch
Sophomore Jonathan Bocanegra views his schedule on the OWU Self-Service webpage in Beeghly Library.

end of the semester,” she said. “Also, it’s always good to know how hard I have to work to boost my numbers.”

McMahon said that while the GPA projection system will not be available through Self-Service, there is a GPA calculator under the Registrar link on the OWU website that will be operational.

The registrar also added that there will be an option to allow students to order transcripts by paying online with a credit card.

This new system opens up the opportunity for students to control and allow grade access to parents without signing the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

Sophomore Jonathan Bocanegra said he is disappointed that he has not yet received the listing of spring classes.

“Last year I had the spring schedule the first week of fall semester classes,” Bocanegra said. “I was expecting that coming into this semester. That is a little disappointing,

but I am sure they will have it up within enough time to prepare for next semester.”

McMahon said that students will be able to register online for the Spring 2012 semester.

“Registration is scheduled to occur by class starting with seniors and ending with freshmen during the regular registration periods,” she said.

To learn more about Self-Service and get questions answered, visit helpdesk.owu.edu/Self-Service.

Visiting professor calls for better human rights vocab

By Danielle Kanclerz
Copy Editor

A Princeton English professor, whose classroom subject depends on coherent communication, gave a campus lecture Sept. 15 that said poor articulation poses a huge obstacle to promoting human rights.

It is a common belief that human rights are continuously violated because people don’t understand the significance of them, said Simon Gikandi, the Robert Schirmer Professor of English at Princeton University.

However, Gikandi said he believes that human rights -- the basic rights and freedoms that all people are entitled to regardless of nationality, sex, age, religion, etc. -- are so self-evident that they simply need a better form of articulation to be fully understood.

Gikandi broached the topic

of Africa and the culture of human rights in his Sagan lecture last Thursday entitled “Africa and the Culture of Human Rights.”

According to the 2011 Sagan National Colloquium website, Gikandi was born in Kenya and graduated with a bachelor of arts in Literature from the University of Nairobi.

He proceeded to graduate from the University of Edinburgh in Scotland with a master’s degree of literature in English Studies. He has a doctorate degree in English from Northwestern University.

His major fields of research and teaching are the Anglophone Literature and cultures of Africa, India, the Caribbean and Postcolonial Britain; the “Black” Atlantic; and the African Diaspora.

In the lecture, Gikandi reflected on the crisis of human rights in Africa and then



Gikandi

proceeded to suggest some of the ways in which what happens in Africa is important to the transformation of human rights.

Gikandi said he has focused the majority of his studies rethinking the categories defining modern life, especially the theories surrounding Africa and post colonialism.

He said there are two prob-

“(There is a) gap between vocabulary of human rights and our idea of Africa.”
--Simon Gikandi, professor of English at Princeton University

lems with human rights: the problem of intelligibility and the African difference.

Intelligibility can be fixed simply, according to Gikandi, by recording the theories and practices of human rights into all languages and societies.

The African difference, he said, is more difficult to understand.

“In Africa, it is argued, the deep language of rights oper-

ates in impoverished theoretical, cultural and historical contexts,” Gikandi said. “(There is a) gap between vocabulary of human rights and our idea of Africa.”

He said this concept can be applied to the conceptual limits that Africa faces because it is conceived as the ground zero of human rights. It can also, he said, be related to the belief that Africa is a problem-space.

“A problem-space is an ensemble of questions and answers around which a horizon of identifiable stakes (conceptual as well as ideological-political stakes) hangs,” said David Scott in his book “Conscripts of Modernity.”

According to Gikandi, since Africa is a problem-space, the individual is often pitted against the community who is then pitted against collective interests.

He said this cycle does not

allow for progress.

Gikandi also said that the current doctrine of human rights that is being imposed upon the world, Africa included, is European based -- an argument he said was first made in Singapore.

He said that once Africa began to function on a local level they were able to practice these human rights and the concept was then able to be universalized.

“Human rights beginning to function in Africa and being globalized shows they are no longer European but are (being) transformed in practice,” Gikandi said.

He said that as Africans have engaged with their culture, societies and environment, human rights have become more prevalent and believes this a step toward ensuring tragedies such as Rwanda and the Holocaust never happen again.

Bloggin’ Bishops: ‘Thrifed Sweaters’ not just about fashion

By Alexis Williams
A&E Editor

Junior Katie Pappenhagen and sophomore Sophie Crispin are double trouble when it comes to blogging. This Tumblin’ two-some get a thrill from sharing their daily thoughts, funny pictures and feminist prose on their blog on Tumblr.com, “Thrifed Sweaters.”

Crispin said “Thrifed Sweaters” is the perfect blend of her and Pappenhagen’s personalities.

“The blog is kind of a patchwork of things we like, things we care about, things we think are funny,” she said.

While Crispin’s posts focus on politics and feminism, Pappenhagen prefers pop culture and the NBC show “Parks and Recreation.”

Other themes on “Thrifed Sweaters” include Harry Potter, Rizzoli and Isles, Arrested Development “and lots of literary quotes,”

Crispin and Pappenhagen said.

“It goes together quite nicely,” Crispin said. “We kind of refer to it like a child that we raise together.”

“We call it our ‘blog baby’,” Pappenhagen said.

Though the two said they were ‘peer-pressured’ into starting a blog by a mutual friend. The name “Thrifed Sweaters” was completely their idea. Crispin and Pappenhagen said the name derived from their affection for thrift shopping.

“Well, one Friday night, Katie bought \$30 worth of sweaters from the Good Will,” Crispin said. “I was wearing a ridiculous sweater, and Katie was wearing an old flannel so we decided to call it ‘Thrifed Sweaters’ because we like to buy old man clothing at Good Will. Thus ‘Thrifed Sweaters’ was born.”

Though many bloggers use blogs as an open forum to type pages and pages of personal texts, Crispin and Pappenhagen chose Tumblr.com for the exact opposite reason.

“My attention span is short, and (Tumblr) has a lot of pictures,” Pappenhagen said.

However, Crispin found Tumblr.com to be her occasional, ideal rant forum.



Katie Pappenhagen ‘13 and Sophie Crispin ‘14 are the authors of Thrifed Sweaters.

“We rant about exes, bad nights, general frustrations, school, awkward things,” she said. “Fun fact, everything is awkward.”

Pappenhagen said the best part of their blog is that one or the other will get updates and notifications about posts the other made on “Thrifed Sweaters.”

“It’s cool when I’m scrolling through Tumblr and find a picture I like,” she said. “But it’s actually already on my blog, posted by So-

phie.”

Pappenhagen and Crispin said they agreed they liked to keep an element of mystery in their posts and find blogging to be a great distraction from homework.

“I like that people don’t know who posted what,” Crispin said. “It’s a tool of procrastination and source of mild entertainment.”

Crispin said she thinks “Thrifed Sweaters” is one of a kind because she and Pappenhagen are the perfect balance of seriousness and comedy.

“I think it’s interesting that we have serious things and funny things,” she said. “It’s not like trash and politics. It’s like pop culture along with feminism. It goes pretty hand-in-hand because it’s not contradictory even though it’s different.”

Though the pair sometimes post together, they said their blogging schedules adjust to their moods.

“I post in phases,” Pappenhagen said. “It depends on how stressed I am,” Crispin said. “If I have a test, I’ll probably be on there for 10 hours.”

Look for more from these bubbly bloggers at thrifedsweaters.tumblr.com.



Read.
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Students ‘Connect the Dots’ in amphitheater

By Carly Shields
Transcript Reporter

Senior Robert Kuhlenberg conducted his house project “Connect the Dots” last Saturday for the House of Thought.

Ohio Wesleyan student bands playing everything from hard rock to jam to folk music performed from 1-7 p.m. Between the music entertainment in the outside amphitheater, OWU organizations, clubs (like STAND and VIVA) and SLUs spoke of what their missions are and what they do on and off campus.

Dan’s Deli was also in attendance providing the students with grilled food during the event.

Students were able to decorate the sidewalk and amphitheater cement during the event with news of clubs and future events.

Junior Alan Massouh said he enjoyed the event.

“There should be more outdoor concerts at this amphitheater because it’s an awesome venue and no one ever uses it,” Massouh said.

OWU’s usual groups: Pitch Black (an

all female a cappella group), The Outsiders (both women and men’s a cappella group) and Jay Walkers (an all male a cappella group) performed at the event. Other new groups including Gandhi’s Lunch Box, A Little Rush, Anthony McGuire and Mad Dogs and Englishmen performed as well.

Mad Dogs and Englishmen, a band that has been playing together for about a year now, added a new touch to their band this past Saturday by inducting sophomore Alexandra Oney, a violinist, to the folksy band.

Its other members include pianist sophomore Erika Nininger, sophomore guitarist Michael Cormier and sophomore guitarist Sam Sonnega. The group was the only folk band which performed.

“Mad Dogs and Englishmen blew me away with sincerity,” Kuhlenberg said. “The violinist is a wonderful addition, the guys, stuck with her.”

Kuhlenberg originally had an idea of putting on a show for his band “Tom Across the Hall” and for other OWU bands to play at the amphitheater.

“I wanted to provide an opportunity for

people, myself shamelessly included, to play music for an audience, which is one of the biggest thrills of my life, and the amphitheater is arguably the best place on campus for music events,” he said.

“In all my time here at OWU, and I am a senior, I have never seen it utilized as such. Friends and I have been talking about playing here for years, and I wanted to see to it that it would happen.”

Kuhlenberg said he was thankful and appreciative to all the bands and groups who performed and all those who took part in putting the successful event together.

“Also, to anyone who chalked the wall or the walk, spoke on behalf of a group, danced, threw a Frisbee, kicked a foot bag or just sat quietly on the hill reading, thank you for being with us,” Kuhlenberg said. “Your presence was felt and appreciated.”

Kuhlenberg said students should “keep [their] eyes peeled. I will be making this happen again, only bigger, and better organized, in the late Spring. Probably a few weeks before exams to maximize attendance. So if you missed out and you are sad, please don’t worry because it will be happening again, only more colorfully.”



Photos by Carly Shields
(Left) Students sit in the amphitheater, listening to music and chatting.



(Right) Onlookers take in Tom Across the Hall.



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Top Left: Tom Across the Hall performs at Connect the Dots.
Top Right: Students laugh and dance to the music.
Left: Anthony McGuire plays guitar.
Below: Pitch Black performs for audience at Connect the Dots.
Bottom Left: Students clap in support of their peers.
Bottom Right: Crowds sit and relax in the grass as they listen to the music stylings of Tom Across the Hall.



Students pay high price for underage consumption

By **Ryan Bolger,**
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The night that lasted a year.

On March 22, 2011, Charlotte Johnson* pulled on a white oxford shirt and her best dress pants and made her way to the Franklin County Municipal Court in Columbus. There she met a few of her fellow classmates from Ohio Wesleyan University. They waited as the judge went through the morning’s docket until it was their turn to testify. When her name was called, Johnson took the stand and she decided to be as honest and detailed as she could. She really had nothing to lose.

Almost a year earlier, on the night of April 24, 2010, Johnson prepared for her roommate’s nineteenth birthday. She looked more dolled up than usual; it was one of the last weekends of her first college year and she hoped it would be a night to remember. Johnson met some friends for an early dinner before heading out to OWU’s fraternity hill for an on-campus party. As the night went on, Johnson and her friends moved through campus, stopping at a number of typical house parties. There was music, dancing and plenty of alcohol. Johnson herself consumed numerous drinks as she carried on through the evening.

Eventually the birthday celebration moved its way to Clancey’s Pub on South Sandusky Street. Johnson and her friends joined countless other classmates there. She waited in line as two women at the entrance checked IDs of each person. Johnson held her ID out before them and they drew big black Xs on the back of her hands, signaling to the bartender that she was under the age of 21.

The dance floor was packed, lights were flashing, people crowded at the bar calling for drinks. Johnson made her way up to the second floor balcony, where she watched the action of the dance floor from a distance. Soon she found a cup in her hand filled with beer. As she drank, a male friend continued to fill it up.

The bar owner, known for socializing with all of the students on weekend nights, approached Johnson. Quietly he leaned in, “just so you know, there are undercover cops here, so don’t drink tonight,” he warned. Johnson knew she should have put her drink down, but, like most college students, she thought she was invincible. Soon enough, as she headed to the bathroom, a woman with an unfamiliar face stopped her and told Johnson she was arrested for underage drinking.

In a whirlwind of confusion, Johnson was pulled outside with six other Ohio Wesleyan students. Surrounded by officers, the students were cut off from all of their friends, placed in the back of police cruisers and eventually escorted to the Delaware Police Department. They were allowed to leave after being questioned individually about their alcohol consumption during the evening. Each student received a citation from the police and a court date.

Johnson hired a private attorney. She never had to go through the court process, had her named cleared and thought she was home free. In January, nearly five months after she had put it all behind her, Johnson received a subpoena to testify against Clancey’s Pub in a Columbus court. Clancey’s was charged with serving alcohol to minors by the Ohio Investigative Unit of the Ohio Department of Public Safety.

Drinking and the law.

The Ohio Investigative Unit is a branch of the Ohio Department of Public Safety and its officers work full time on enforcing Ohio liquor, tobacco, gambling and food stamp laws. The investigative unit uncovered 25 underage alcohol offenses in the City of Delaware in 2010, but has made no such arrests so far this



Photos by Brittany Vickers

Above: Students gather at Clancey’s Pub (left); Many students go to Clancey’s because of the pool tables (right).

year, according to Ohio Investigative Unit Statistical Reports.

The Investigative Unit heard about the possibility of underage drinking at Clancey’s Pub from an anonymous tip. This is how most of these cases arise. After receiving a tip, Julie Hinds, the public relations officer for the Ohio Investigative Unit, said officers go to the site in question and check for breaches in liquor laws, undercover.

“There are various ways we can go about starting a case that can ultimately result in charges on an individual as well,” Hinds said. “We get anonymous complaints on a location. We go and look to see if that place is violating what the complaint is saying. We do that 3 or 4 times and if nothing happens we close the case out.”

Investigative Unit officers carry a badge and have the same arresting privileges as regular police officers, but they also have the authority to write citations to violating businesses, like Clancey’s. They may also be involved in local task forces and respond in emergency situations. The majority of their citations are alcohol related.

“The tobacco and alcohol cases go quicker,” Hinds said. “Food stamp fraud cases take a long time. It can be 6 months or two years. There will be more alcohol charges than food stamp charges because food stamp charges are more in depth.”

Drinking in college.

Alcohol, sex and drugs are typically seen as the three main banes of college life. Before mom and dad dropped off their children at the dorm rooms, young teenagers were sheltered and protected. Extra-curricular activities filled their days and raiding the parent’s liquor cabinet was as close as it got to consuming alcohol. Some fortunate few relied on older siblings to provide them with their alcohol when unable to gain access to any kind.

Junior Hudson Miller from Long Island, New York said he fondly remembers the days where he would sneak around his kitchen at night trying to gain access to his parent’s liquor cabinet.

“It was definitely a lot harder to get alcohol back when I was at home,” Miller said. “Especially coming from a small city, there was no way anybody could really throw a big party without everybody hearing about it.”

It is easy for parents to protect their children when living under their roof. But when college arrives, the very same 17 and 18 year-olds dropped off on the first day of college no longer have the guidance or supervision of their families and are thrust into the world of alcohol, sex and drugs personified and glorified by college.

Movies like “Animal House,” “Old School” and television shows like “GREEK” only further typecast the prototypical college experience every kid dreams about. The delicate

balance between a social life and academics is usually forgotten when focusing on trying to make friends.

Fernando Ezeta, father of Diego Ezeta (’11) from Peru, said he remembers the anxiety he and his wife felt when their son left for school. The particular difficulties they faced were a result of the images and culture of the American college life portrayed by the media.

“Alcohol is not a big deal in South American culture and it is not frowned upon as much as other countries or cultures,” Fernando Ezeta said. “More of a problem for me was my son being involved with such high quantities and more the drug culture popular among college students in the United States.”

For a small town like Delaware, the college life and the students help the city and local businesses grow. Among those businesses also include the success of two of the local bars, The Backstretch and Clancey’s Pub. The Backstretch has always required their patrons to be at least 21 years-old, and acts as a full-service, traditional bar. Clancey’s Pub, on the other hand, sells alcohol to students of age; however, also admit people under the age of 21 to enter the bar for a \$5 fee.

Clancey’s Pub is an example of a bar with a D5 Restaurant/Night Club Liquor Permit, allowing their employees to sell spirituous liquor and any alcoholic beverages on the premise until 2:30 a.m. Because they allow admission to people below the age of 21, they walk the line between legal and illegal practices.

The \$260 beer.

Over the last five years, there have been more than 239 cases of OWU students arrested or charged by the Delaware Police Department for “Purchase or Consumption of Alcohol” or related charges to underage consumption. The current Ohio penalty for “Possession or Consumption” by a person under the age of 21 is a maximum penalty of \$1,000 and/or no more than 180 days imprisonment. First-time offenders are also provided the opportunity to participate in a Diversion program involving community-service and an alcohol education class.

Of the 153 cases of “Purchase or Consumption of Alcohol” involving a minor, OWU students are typically charged around \$260 in fines and fees along with the Diversion program and community service opportunities. Repeat offenders are also typically charged higher fees for every repeated offense. Based on a \$260 average per case and looking at the 153 cases documented over the last two and a half years, the city of Delaware made almost \$40,000 from fees and fines assessed to first-time offenders.

Diego Ezeta said he remembers the first time he was presented with an underage consumption citation. In his particular case, he was presented with three separate citations including littering and disorderly conduct for failure to cooperate.

“I understand if I’m getting written up for underage consumption but for the police officer to add the other charges is completely unnecessary,” Diego Ezeta said. “Although the final fee was roughly \$300, it doesn’t take into account the money I spent on getting a lawyer to have my other charges dropped. DPD officers are finding one excuse to write somebody up then milking it for all it’s worth.”

What OWU students perceive as a minor infraction (underage consumption) usually results in hundreds of dollars in court and legal fees.

Of the 239 charges made against OWU students for underage consumption, 64 percent of those included more than one citation.

The types of citations ranged from disorderly conduct, littering or open container to possession of marijuana or drug paraphernalia. In Diego Ezeta’s case, he is still paying off his legal fees which

tallied to more than \$1,000.

Underage students at OWU are susceptible to more opportunities for arrest because there is a common meeting place for students of age and those underage. Clancey’s Pub provides a venue for students of all ages to come together in a setting serving alcohol on weekend nights.

The free-flow of alcohol often results in underage students gaining access to a friend’s beer or drink. 120 of the 153 cases of underage consumption occurred as a result of an underage student appearing intoxicated or being caught drinking at or outside of Clancey’s Pub.

Clancey’s Pub has become a common clashing ground between students and Delaware Police Department officers. Underage students continue to test the boundaries of legal limitation knowing the threats posed at Clancey’s. DPD officers understand the opportunities provided when patrolling South Sandusky street (where Clancey’s is located) on Friday and Saturday nights. The statistics continue to show the number of students being faced with underage alcohol charges.

The cost of one evening.

The constant scrutiny received by Clancey’s culminated in an undercover operation by the Ohio Investigative Unit occurring on April 24, 2010 involving six OWU students including Johnson, a bartender at Clancey’s Pub and the Ohio Department of Public Safety. These events led to the court case against Clancey’s of which Johnson was a witness.

At the trial, all six students arrested that night were subpoenaed and asked questions regarding their personal consumption of alcohol at Clancey’s during that evening. Johnson was asked more in-depth questions than the others, such as the opportunity to drink underage at Clancey’s and the strictness of their bartenders. She explained how Clancey’s is the only place open in Delaware late at night where OWU students are able to gather.

At the conclusion of the case, Clancey’s Pub was found guilty of “Furnishing beer or intoxicating liquor to an intoxicated person,” “Sale of beer or intoxicating liquor to an intoxicated person” and “Allowing persons under 21 to consume beer or intoxicating liquor on premises.” The charges were heard on March 22, and reached a decision on April 1. Clancey’s Pub was given the option to defer a 12-day suspension by paying a \$2,000 fine. They paid the fine.

Underage consumption occurs across every college campus. Students understand the risks related to drinking and it is the responsibility of students and bar owners to abide by state laws. Clancey’s became an example of the severity and seriousness of Ohio Investigative Unit regarding underage consumption. It is important for parents, students and university administrators to work together to ensure the overall safety of the campus community.

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He said OWU is ahead of similar institutions when it comes to application and technological development.

“We will try to simplify lives by including the right software with the right technology,” he said.

The mobile app currently allows students to view news, events, campus maps and messages from the dean of students.

He said he expects the app integration to grow and that it may one day allow students to pay for dining services or get into buildings.

Freshman Cecilia Marquez said she is cautious of security and payment features being integrated into cell phones because “when you lose your phone you lose your whole life or it gets stolen and you lose money.”

Muhl said she is glad the school will be working on cell phone integration.

“It would be easy because I lose my card all the time,” Muhl said.

The portal system isn’t in its trial form yet, and the cell phone application is brand new, so students will still have time to decide whether or not the new OWU 2.0 software suite is right for them.

Rellinger said some of the mentioned portal features are still being worked out, so they are subject to change.

“I think they’re going to love it,” he said.

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Opinion

Quote of the Week: “I was surprised by their lack of concern for other people’s stuff.”

– Sean Tate, president of Delta Tau Delta

From the Editor:

Positive change occurring at OWU

Despite the daunting talks concerning budget cuts and deficit problems at Ohio Wesleyan, the university is in the midst of tremendous positive changes which will greatly benefit students.

Having done an interview last week about the renovations currently taking place in Stuyvesant Hall, I was able to see everything from the floor plans to the color of the new carpeting, and, to say the least, I was impressed.

The addition of a porch off the first floor will make Stuy even more attractive looking than before, and the placement of a café inside the building will be very convenient. Hard hat tours of Stuy renovations are keeping students involved, informed and excited.

I have no doubt that Stuy is going to be at the top of everyone’s list for places to live next year; it’s already at the top of mine. Other changes, or “focused improvements,” took place in other dorms over the summer.

As a current residence of Hayes, I greatly appreciate the new windows and blinds that were in my room when I arrived on move-in day. I was never a fan of the musty, old drapes or the creaky windows.

Although I have heard some people complain about the color scheme in Hayes, I am more than pleased with the painting. I think the hallways are pleasantly bright, and I love the automatic lights. I find myself feeling very powerful every time all of the lights turn on as I walk down the hallway.

Also, the side door of the building was renovated to accommodate a swipe entrance, which is extremely convenient for me, as my room is positioned at the top of the staircase right in front of the door. In addition, the renovated kitchens are top-notch. They include brand new refrigerators, stoves and counter tops. The kitchens aren’t just great places to cook, but also good places to meet with study groups or hangout.

The possible expansion of Greek life to include a new fraternity on campus is an exciting change as well. Fiji, TKE or ATO would be another new opportunity for OWU. Having just joined the Greek community myself, I am excited to see it expand.

Also, the Healthy Bishop Initiative has really taken off this year. I am taking advantage of nutritionist Becky Nardin-Hardy’s presence on campus and going to visit her this week. I have heard good things about her appointments from friends who learned a great deal and are on the path to a healthier lifestyle. Some students on campus have also organized a yoga class that is free and available to all, which makes exercising and being healthy a simpler task to undertake at OWU.

Including laundry and cable in tuition has been a wonderful thing for me as well. I am doing laundry more frequently and also enjoying the brand new high efficiency machines. Having cable in my room allows me to watch all of my favorite shows that I missed last year. You can bet I’ll be in my room watching the premiere of “Big Bang Theory” tonight.

Although the school is in the process of budget cuts, I think it is hard to tell. The continual progress definitely overshadows the cuts, and I don’t feel like I’m missing out on anything. There’s never been a better time to be a Bishop.

By Marissa Alfano
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Too many textbooks, not enough A’s

By Mary Slebodnik
Guest Columnist

I attend Ohio Wesleyan University, an “A+ Option for B students.”

At least that’s what U.S. News called Ohio Wesleyan and around 100 other private liberal arts colleges. The list endeavored to show which universities in America accept significant numbers of students with “nonstratospheric transcripts.”

For B students? I was under the impression these last three years that I was attending a school with rigorous academic expectations. That’s what the tour guides said. That’s what my professors said.

That’s what my 10-pound backpack stuffed full of textbooks said.

Unfortunately, U.S. News and Urban Dictionary don’t believe rigorous academics alone create a school for A students. Urban Dictionary notes OWU’s challenging academics, but offered OWU a new slogan: “OWU...because everybody can’t get into Oberlin!”

In its way, Urban Dictionary called us a school for B students, too. A place for the overflow of applicants Oberlin (and Kenyon, and Denison, and Harvard) doesn’t accept.

U.S. News still refers to OWU as an A+ school. It seems our one quality that makes us a haven for B students is our admissions rate. We accepted 69 percent of applicants last year, while Harvard accepted 6.174 percent. Harvard had over 30,000 rejection letters to send out. That’s a lot of students who have to find other schools to attend.

Enter Ohio Wesleyan. Give us your tired, your poor...your huddled masses with less than stratospheric transcripts.

My problem with making a list of good schools for B students is the list reinforces the very social structure it seeks to challenge. The list seeks to combat over-achiever-syndrome in high school students by saying, “Hey, even if you don’t score a 35 on the ACT, you can still go to an A+ school.” That’s a lovely sentiment, but it does not challenge the B rating of the student.

The list refers to students who won’t find acceptance at Ivy League schools as second-tier. In this list, B student does not mean a student who earns all B’s. It refers to a student who has been categorized as less-than-the-best. I don’t think OWU students are second tier, yet that is how we will be perceived on occasion in our

‘I didn’t think it would happen here’

By Spenser Hickey
Guest Columnist

“Attention Campus Community: An OWU female student reported being sexually assaulted off campus last night. The Delaware City Police Department is investigating.”

I didn’t think it would happen here. Sure, it happened at the really big colleges like Ohio State or Miami or UC, but not here. Not at OWU, a small college of less than 2,000; not in Delaware, a city that seems to exude the homely qualities of a small town in the Midwest: a theater, banks, diners, churches, CVS, a bike shop, you name it – all within walking distance.

It felt like we had our own little niche away from everything. It felt like we were safe from all the problems of big city crime -- muggings, assault, murder and rape. That was stuff that happened in the big cities, not in little Delaware. Not here. That’s what I thought. Tragically, horrifically, as we all learned from that e-mail, I was wrong.

For most of us, rape and sexual assault are only words. They’re something we hear on crime shows, like “Law and Order” or “CSI.” They’re the dark issues parents raise if their daughter questions her curfew. These words are a boogeyman for the teenage years. They’re the crude punch line to an offensive joke. They’re just words. Most of us have never known someone who has actually experienced these crimes.

I spent the majority of my life in that “most of us” category. Then, the summer before my senior year of high school, I went on a four-day retreat. Mine was a religious school, so this sort of thing was mandatory. That’s when I fell out of the most of us category.

The first day we had to sit in our small groups and talk about the high and low points in our lives. It seemed cliché, I guess, and most of us didn’t take it seriously. Then she started to talk. Through choked sobs, she told us about The Night.

The night her sister, only a year younger than us, had been drugged by a group of college boys and gang-raped. How, months later, with her self-esteem shot to hell, her sister had considered suicide. How, even after years, her sister had yet to fully recover, and probably never would. As she dried her eyes, we all sat in silent shock. It was a moment I will never forget, and one which changed my life.

A year passed; we went on with our lives. School assignments came and went, we applied to colleges, got accepted and got rejected. Groups from the retreats were formed and fell apart, but I still stayed in touch with her. As much as I could, I tried to look out for her sister. We all did. Then, the summer after my senior year, her sister went on the retreat.

A big thing for those who had gone on the retreats was to write letters for each round of retreat-goers, and so I wrote her a letter. It was a generic letter, but I talked about how much the retreat had meant to me and the friendships I made. I didn’t

expect much of it at the time. We didn’t know each other.

The day came for the retreat group to return, and we all met in the school lobby. I was talking to some friends of mine who had been on the retreat when I heard someone yell out my name. I turned and there her sister was, running toward me. “I loved your letter,” she whispered as she wrapped her arms around me, crying against my shoulder.

That night she talked to us in the audience about how much the retreat had done for her, and I knew that at least some small part of that was thanks to my efforts. It was a moment I will never forget.

That was my experience with sexual assault victims. Not a day goes by when I don’t think of them and their family and feel a deep sense of anger and sadness.

Hopefully you have never had to see someone endure that pain, humiliation and violation. Unfortunately, some of us have seen a friend or family member endure it. Unfortunately, as we learned recently, some of us here have had to go through this ourselves.

To those who have, I can’t say it will be easy--it won’t. But things will get better so hang in there; you are not alone. There are trained professionals who can help, either at OWU Counseling Services or the Help Line office at 11 N. Franklin Street, and I encourage you to go to them if you’re having a difficult time.

Stay strong and never give up; no matter how bad things may seem, they will get better. There is always hope.



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Arts & Entertainment

Park Avenue Jazz ‘sparkles’ up the stage



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The Ohio Wesleyan Park Avenue Jazz Ensemble

By Leanne Williams
Transcript Correspondent

On Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, sounds of trumpets and trombones resonate from Ohio Wesleyan University’s Sanborn Hall.

Inside, members of the jazz ensemble, Park Avenue Jazz, practice different styles of music than is typically taught in their classes.

Professor of Music Larry Griffin has been the conductor of Park Avenue Jazz since he began his career at OWU 25 years ago.

He said he changed their name his first year to reflect his goals for the band.

“I wanted to add a little sparkle and move away from mediocrity,” he said.

In Griffin’s opinion, Park Avenue Jazz is the only opportunity for music students to engage in spontaneous composition.

Sophomore Michael Cormier, a music theory major, said being able to compose music

is one of the reasons why he joined the band.

“Jazz is the perfect combination of improvisation, reading music and playing what’s in the composition,” he said. “It is place where students can hone their ability to read music.”

Senior Thomas Reinman is now in his fourth year in Park Avenue Jazz. He said it has enhanced his critical thinking skills about music.

“It takes a whole different skill set,” he said.

Though Reinman said enrollment in the program has fluctuated, there is an abundance of members this year.

“Every year there have been strong spots, but we have been lacking players,” he said. “This is the first year (in a long time) we have a bass player who plays standing up,” as opposed to an electric bass player.

Griffin attributes the growth in the band to a general growth in the music department. This year, 27 of the 50 students

enrolled in the department are freshmen. Griffin said the increase has also encouraged music students to push themselves.

“Everything is just positive this year, kids are highly motivated,” he said. “I’m excited. Seeing the interest in the music department gets everyone excited, and they feed off of that.”

Griffin said because of the additional members, he’s trying to put together smaller jazz combinations this semester.

These ensembles will consist of both a horn section with trumpets, trombones and saxophones and a rhythm section with a percussion section, piano, guitar and bass players.

Griffin said “combos” will give each student more opportunities to play at practice.

“It is my job to make sure every student’s time is spent wisely,” he said. “It’s important for them to have other opportunities to continue to play,” he said.

Griffin described the band

as an intense environment.

“They read more music than any band in the school, about 75 to 80 pieces a semester,” he said.

Park Avenue Jazz plays a concert on campus in Gray Chapel every semester. They also perform at OWU’s annual President’s Ball. Griffin said the band has two or three off-campus performances each year where they are paid to perform.

Griffin said he tries to instill a sense of professionalism in all members of the band.

“I don’t want my students to be playing like a college band,” he said.

He said he teaches them to consistently play to the best of their ability.

“In that sense, we frequently play beyond ourselves,” he said. “I think the Jazz band is an excellent organization that acts as an ambassador for the university,” he said.

Park Avenue Jazz’s fall performance is scheduled for Nov. 15, at 8 p.m.

Pongos’ sophisticated style sets standard



From the Catwalk to the JAYWalk

By Alexis Williams and Katie Carlin

This week we stumbled upon one spunky sophomore who you will never see rocking sweats on the JAYWalk.

Alvince Pongos, an economics management major from Compton, Calif., has a mature, preppy style that he likes to make his own. However, as much as he stands out, the fashionisto said his style is not unique.

“I don’t think it’s necessary original because I buy things from consignment stores,” he said. “I would describe my look as classic, refreshing and sophisticated.”

When we saw Pongos, he was wearing a red, white and green plaid button-up with khakis and leather loafers.

He put his outfit together from pieces he found in consignment stores and a shopping trip in Thailand.

As fresh as Pongos looks, we would have never guessed that he has only been interested in fashion for a year. Pongos said before he adopted his clean-cut look, his style was,

“straight hood.”

“I became president of my high school,” he said. “They said I needed to dress more appropriately.”

Taking the criticism in stride, Pongos eased into his classier style with assistance from his ‘elegant, chic’ mother.

“It was fun to change it up, having that paradigm shift,” he said. “My mom was able to help me a lot. She would say, ‘This is what men wear.’”

He said he gets his style influences from Esquire Magazine, The Satorialist (a fashion blog) and the outfits actor Shia Labouf wore in the movie “Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps.”

One signature accessory you can hardly see Pongos without is his leather briefcase. He said it was a gift from his friend who works as a nuclear scientist.

Pongos likes to wear comfortable yet stylish pieces.

As far as trends go, he said they do not have much of an



Photo by Alexis Williams

Sophomore Alvince Pongos cleans up quite nicely in a button-up, khakis and loafers.

influence on the way he dresses.

“I hope to be above the trend,” he said.

Pongos’ advice for picking out an outfit, he said, is to start

with the basics.

“Once you have the foundation,” he said, “putting pieces together is snippy snappy.”

Be on the lookout for more stylish Bishops!

Bachelorette of the Week

Sporty girl seeks chivalrous chap

By Cara Foley
Transcript Reporter

All single bachelors out there, it’s time to find your fair lady of fall! Junior Lauren Bailey of Toledo knows how to keep a guy on his feet.

A busy gal who spends her free time playing field hockey, Bailey is working toward a major in sports science and minor in economics and management.



Bailey

“I am a member of the field hockey team, I play intramural basketball in the spring, am a member of Athletes in Action as well as a member of P.H.A.T. (Peer Health Advocate Trainers),” she said.

Bailey is also the secretary of the Ohio Wesleyan Athletic Council.

But don’t let that scare you away. If you think you can fit into her busy schedule, you may just get penciled in.

Bailey’s interests include field hockey, basketball, sporting events, spending time with friends, making people laugh, cooking, baking, animals and chocolate.

She describes herself as optimistic, caring and silly. Although she plays with people’s heads on the field, this athletic chick is not one to play with emotions.

“I am very open and honest, and I don’t lie or play games,” she said. “I think that girls shouldn’t play hard

to get because it is a waste of time and someone may get hurt.”

Bailey’s perfect first date would include a dinner at Bun’s followed by frozen custard at Whit’s.

To end the night, she would enjoy a movie at the Strand.

“I also wouldn’t mind going to a sporting event,” she said.

Bailey said she likes to do spontaneous things with friends and is always up for meeting new people.

“I definitely believe that there is someone out there for everyone,” she said. “Love at first sight might exist, but I have never experienced it.”

“My biggest turn off’s are guys who are rude and messy,” she said.

The thing that confuses Bailey most about guys is inconsistency.

“I don’t understand why one minute they will act interested in you and the next minute they act like they don’t even know who you are,” she said.

Bailey is a believer in chivalry, so be ready to sweep her off her feet.

“I believe chivalrous guys still exist, although it is very rare and hard to find.”

Reach out to Lauren and prove her wrong. Contact her on Facebook or by email: lebailey@owu.edu.

Quincy Mumford at OWU October 5

Quincy Mumford and The Reason Why’s fall tour brings the band to Ohio on Oct. 5 at Ohio Wesleyan University.

With over 300-plus shows under their belt and award winning albums, Quincy Mumford and the Reason Why are capturing people’s attention all over the United States.



Asbury Park, N.J., based Mumford and his band maintain a tireless performance schedule including shows with Ryan Montbleau, Jesse Malin, Moe, Good Old War and Donovan Frankenreiter.

They have also appeared on the main stage at The Gathering of the Vibes in Bridgeport, Conn., Musikfest in Bethlehem, Penn., and Phanphare in Morrisville, Penn.

Quincy Mumford will be showcasing songs from his recently released album “Speak.” “Speak”: was produced by Jon Liedersdorf (Cara Salimando, Alex Brumel) and features a guest performance from bassist Jack Daley (Lenny Kravitz, Joss Stone, Jason Mraz) and a co-write with Glen Burtnik (Don Henley, Patty Smyth).

Mumford said, “Writing and recording with two legendary rockers was a very humbling and inspirational experience.”

“Speak,” the third release from the 20 year-old Mumford, showcases a diverse set of influences, incorporating rock, funk, reggae and hip-hop stylings.

“Whether I’m combining pop, funk, reggae, or singer-songwriter influences, I want the whole thing to make sense as one recognizable style. Some of my biggest influenc-

es, ALO, G. Love and Sublime do it really well,” he said.

Mumford’s beat box rhythmic verses come to light on the album’s first track, “Rally,” a hard-hitting sing-along with a motivational message to live life boldly and rally around those you believe in.

The Reason Why brings the funk to the record’s first single, “Sunshine,” a track that builds as the swirling array of horns combined with a driving rhythm section elevate the song to its climax.

The video for “Sunshine” was produced by Mumford’s brother Kyle Mumford and is available at www.quincymumford.com.

Other featured tracks on “Speak” include “Speak My Mind,” which draws on reggae influences; “Bring ‘em Home,” that digs deep into the psyche and complexities of a war torn combat vet’s family; and the anthemic chorus on “Sounds Like Music” that sticks in the subconscious until the listener is ready to join the party.

A deluxe edition of “Speak,” including four previously unreleased acoustic tracks, is in stores now.

For further information contact Chris Sean at 732-539-5964 or Chrissean612@gmail.com.

Check out Quincy Mumford and the Reason Why on Youtube, Myspace, Facebook and Quincymumford.com.

Editor’s Note: This article was provided by Chris Sean, street team member for Quincy Mumford and The Reason Why.

Bishops Sports

Men’s tennis takes revenge match

By **Brittany Vickers**
Sports Editor

Men’s tennis won 7-2 over John Carroll on Saturday, re-vengeing their 8-1 loss in the spring last season.

“That’s one of the reasons I scheduled this team,” Head Coach Eddie Echeverria said. “We lost to them last year, but I thought we should have won. We played a match before them, so we came in on tired legs.”

The Bishops came in fresh on Saturday, playing at the Luttinger Tennis Center. Doubles play started at 3 p.m. followed by singles at 4 p.m. After doubles play, the Bishops were up 2-1 and needed four points to secure the win.

Two of the three doubles teams came away with wins, the first team consisting of junior John Rissell and sophomore Richie Karban and the second team of junior Will Thieman and freshman Conor Breen.

“We came in expecting a tough match,” Rissell said. “Any time we can beat a team 7-2 that we lost to 8-1 less than a year before is a reason to be optimistic.”

Rissell and Karban propelled the Bishops with their doubles win, and both went on to secure victories in their singles matches.

Rissell won his No. 4 singles match 6-3, 6-0, and Karban won a tight match in the No. 2 singles with scores of 6-3, 7-6 (7-3).

Karban said he thinks this match gives the team a reason to be optimistic about every match.

“We were expecting to be pretty evenly matched, and we came in and blew them out of the water this year,” Karban said. “The kid I beat this year is the same one I played last year and lost. It shows our improvement as individuals and as a team.”

Both Karban and Rissell said they credited their improvements as a team to hard work put in over the summer.

Echeverria said the team has been focusing on fitness since last spring when he arrived, and their summer fitness has been a key component to the start of this season.

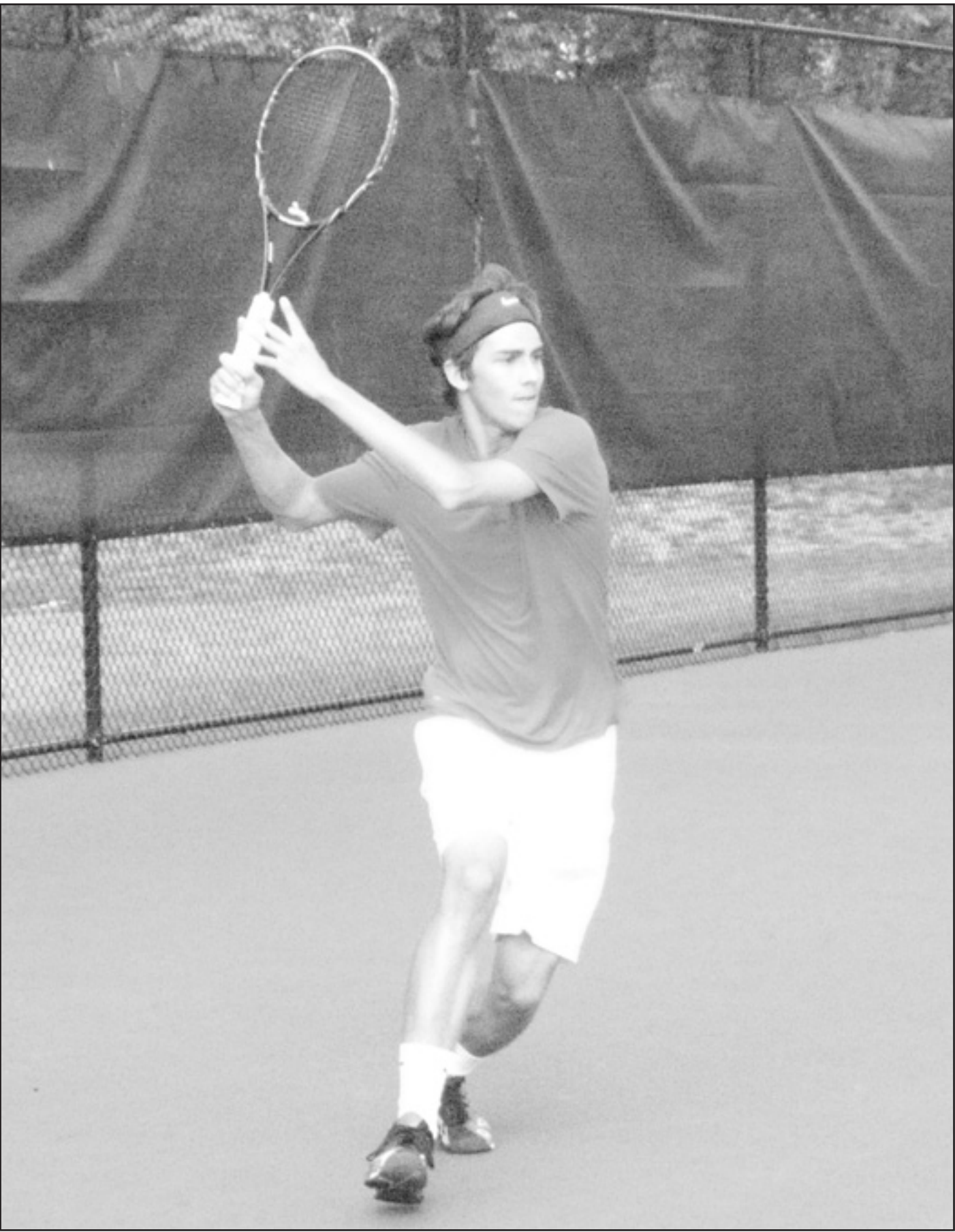
“Last spring when I came in a lot of the guys were out of shape,” Echeverria said. “So, we did a lot of work on fitness and some of them ended up injured. This year they worked hard over the summer, and that’s what’s showing now. All of the work they did.”

Rissell, who suffered injuries last season, said it’s highly important for the team to remain healthy.

“Last year we had the same guys, we’re just all healthy and ready to play this year,” Rissell said. “It makes a big difference to have everyone healthy, like we saw against John Carroll.”

The top six players on the team participate in singles and the top three pairs participate in doubles.

Right now the six players participating in singles are



Theiman, Karban, senior Ryan Leslie, Rissell, junior Matt Swaim and sophomore John Russell, and the three doubles teams are made up of Rissell and Karban, Swain and Russell and Thieman and Breen.

Echeverria said these spots are earned on a match by match basis.

“Right now all of my returners are earning their spots as top six players,” Echeverria said. “If they are able to win in the spots they’re at, then they get to keep them. Anyone can have a good day at practice, but you have to be able to perform under pressure in a match.”

He said he is confident in his team’s abilities, and they have gotten used to his coaching style and what he expects of them.

Rissell and Karban said they agree that Echeverria and the team are a good fit, especially now that they’ve been working together since the spring.

“The switch half way through the season last year was tough,” Karban said. “But this year we don’t have to adjust, we can just focus on being the team we know we can

ABOVE: Sophomore Richie Karban defends his against a serve from his opponent, John Carroll's Michael Hulseman. Karban's wins in the No. 2 singles and doubles play helped propelled the Bishops to their 7-2 win.

RIGHT: Junior John Rissell runs in after a serve in his No. 4 singles match against Peter Scanneillo. Rissell was a double winner on Saturday also winning his doubles match, paired with Karban.

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be.”

Echeverria said his goal for the team is to always do better than the year before.

“It would be great to go all the way,” Echeverria said. “But, we want to at least do better than the year before. It gives us the mentality of a winning team, and improvement.”



Men’s soccer victorious

By **Tori Morris**
Transcript Reporter

Men’s soccer is currently No. 4 in the division three men’s soccer top 25 list for week three of the season and No. 7 in the NSCAA National rankings. Their victory over Capital at Roy Rike Field on Saturday propelled the Bishops into this week.

The Bishops won 2-0, with goals from senior midfielder Dylan Stone and senior forward Travis Wall. The team outshot Capital, 36-5, with no shots from Capital in the first half.

Junior goalkeeper Paul Hendricks had two saves for Ohio Wesleyan, and Bob Weisgarber had eight saves for the Capital Crusaders.

Senior back fielder Andrew Miller said the Bishops played well against Capital’s style of play, one they haven’t faced much so far this season.

“We were facing an opponent who considered a tie to be a win for them so their strategy revolved around sitting everyone back,” Miller said. “These kinds of teams are very difficult to play and score against, as it is very tough to get the ball in dangerous areas to score. However, our guys played extremely well and kept their composure in the tough circumstances which helped us to net a couple of goals and get the win.”

Junior back fielder Scott St. Cyr said the team came out stronger and more motivated in the second half.

“The first half was a struggle, but in the second half we came out with lots of energy and we got back to playing soccer our way,” St. Cyr said. “[Coach] Jay’s half-time talk got us motivated.”

Miller said the team focuses on each game at a time and tries to play their best.

“To us, the rest of the season means the next game ahead,” Miller said. “We try to focus on one opponent at a time and not worry about the future. In order to give ourselves the best chance at success, we play each and every game. We feel we need to focus on the task at hand and the rest will work itself out.”

Miller said the team is very grateful for the support in the stands, as well.

“As a team, we are extremely appreciative of all of the support we receive at the games,” he said. “The crowd is one of the key driving forces behind our motivation, and they have helped to bring us energy and gain an edge on our opponents.”

OWU also won their game on Sept. 14 against Otterbein, 1-0.

Volleyball team keeps head up despite loss, looking ahead to conference play this weekend

By **Eric Tifft**
Transcript Reporter

After winning the first set, the Ohio Wesleyan volleyball team fell three sets to the Wilmington Quakers on Sept. 14 at Branch Rickey.

Wilmington won the match with scores of 19-25, 25-10, 25-16 and 25-23.

“We have to stay focused on the court,” said Head Coach Taryn Haas.

This season, Haas took the reign as head coach and is now assisted by Dava Kaltenecke and Maggie McCloskey.

Sophomore Emily Stewart said Kaltenecke and McCloskey are very beneficial to the program.

“They bring a lot of good energy to the team,” Stewart said.

“They both played college volleyball, so it’s easy for them to relate to what we’re going through.”

Junior Megan Weissenberger agreed that Hass and Kaltenecke have brought a new atmosphere to this year’s team.

“[Haas] is young and knows the game very well,” Weissenberger said. “Practices are a lot more positive.”

The Bishops will rely heavily on a strong junior class to make up for the lack of seniors on the team.

The whole team will have to step up to be leaders, Weissenberger said.

Haas said although having no seniors could make this season a challenge, it’s a great opportunity for the future.

“Not having seniors certainly does imply some inexperience with the team, but we only have room for growth in the seasons to come,” Haas said.

Junior Ashley Haynes agreed with Haas.

“We don’t have any seniors this year, but our junior class

is working hard,” Haynes said. “And, the underclassmen are really stepping up their game.”

Stewart said leadership hasn’t been an issue so far.

“We were afraid that there might have been a lack of leadership without seniors,” Stewart said. “But the juniors have really stepped up to lead the team.”

The Bishops have their eyes set on the NCAC tournament at the end of the season, Stewart said.

“I would like to see us be very competitive in every game,” Haas said. “This team definitely has the potential to win games, especially with our power hitters.”

The Bishops are currently 1-9 (0-0) and face their first conference matches this weekend at Kenyon.

The team will start conference play with four big matches against Hiram, Wittenberg, Denison and Oberlin.