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Christians await status of society

By Mandy Zatynski
Lantern campus editor

The Christian Legal Society is awaiting a university response to a lawsuit filed last month.

The Ohio State chapter of the CLS filed suit March 12 after a string of actions against the group threatened to remove its status as a recognized OSU organization.

According to the CLS complaint, CLS-OSU first came under question in October, when the Office of Student Activities noted CLS-OSU's violation of the university's nondiscrimination policy.

"The university told the Christian Legal Society at the Moritz College of Law their constitution would not be approved because it does not contain the membership nondiscrimination clause," said Steve Aden, chief litigation council to the Center of Law and Religious Freedom of the Christian Legal Society. "(The clause) violates (CLS-OSU's) rights to free speech and expression under the first amendment."

OSU's Nondiscrimination/Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action Policy 1.10, effective October 1973, states, "Discrimination against any individual based upon protected status, which is defined as age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation or veteran status, is prohibited."

Although every student is invited to attend CLS-OSU meetings, only formal members may become officers and vote in officer elections. According to the CLS complaint, students "must sign a Statement of Faith indicating that (they hold) certain Christian viewpoints commonly regarded in both the Roman Catholic and Protestant evangelical traditions as orthodox" to become formal members of the organization.

"It's not about closing doors to students," Aden said. "It's about who to accept as members and leaders."

According to the CLS complaint, the university

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Sex offender makes OU rethink policy

By Cornelis Trouw
Lantern staff writer

Ohio University is changing its policies regarding the handling of students with criminal records, following concerns raised about a student living in one of its residence halls.

OU student Raphael Edwards is permitted to live in the university's Wilson Hall, despite his status as a registered sexually oriented offender.

Edwards' criminal status was unknown until a local paper reported his identity as a registered sex offender in Athens County, stemming from his guilty plea last year to having consensual sex with a 13 year old.

The reason OU was not initially aware of Edwards' status was because the wording of a question on its application for admission, said Nicolette Diouardi, assistant director of the Office of Legal Affairs at OU.

"What happened in Edwards' situation is he answered truthfully when asked if he had been convicted of a felony, which he hadn't," Diouardi said. "He filled out the application in January and had not been convicted at that time."

Diouardi said the question on OU's application is an important safety precaution that keeps potentially dangerous individuals not only out of the residence halls, but also out of the university completely.

"If the person says yes (to having a felony conviction) or we have other ways of knowing about it, they go through Legal Affairs and that office evaluates the circumstances of the offense," Diouardi said. "If the person has a long history of violent offenses, we deny them admission to Ohio University altogether."

Diouardi said this case moved OU to adjust

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Researching leadership

Robert McGrath to bring vast scientific knowledge to administrative position

By Patrick Cain
Lantern campus editor

Robert T. McGrath, vice president for research and director of strategic and interdisciplinary initiatives at Penn State, has been chosen to head the research enterprise at Ohio State.

"Bob McGrath is a leader of proven ability with deep administrative experience, a solid record of scholarship and research funding and a tremendous knowledge of federal agencies," President Karen A. Holbrook said in a statement.

McGrath, who will become senior vice president for research, had built and fostered exceptional and highly regarded interdisciplinary research programs and it is of critical importance that we use McGrath's expertise here, Holbrook said in a statement.

"Seeing (the programs) flourish is just a great source of pride," McGrath said. "The faculty at Penn

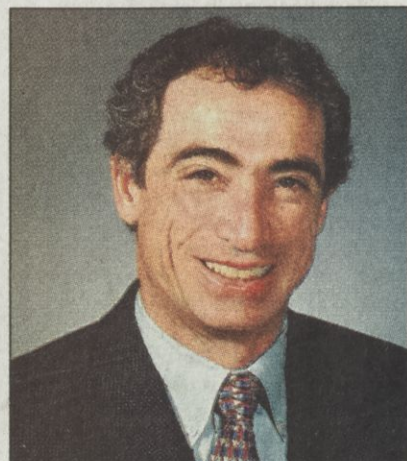
State have been very successful at nanotechnologies ... we provided an environment for the wonderfully talented faculty members to compete."

McGrath intends to bring a similar environment to the researchers at OSU.

"One of my objectives coming to Ohio State is to pursue exciting research opportunities that are right for Ohio State," he said. "The cancer institute is a fine example how groups can come together and grow."

To OSU he brings his knowledge and experience in fusion energy, materials research, the environment, life sciences and social science. McGrath has also worked for the Department of Defense at Sandia National Laboratory in Albuquerque, N. M.

Holbrook will formally recommend McGrath's appointment at next Board of Trustees' meeting on May 7. With his appointment, Hol-



MCGRATH

brook continues forward with her research initiatives for OSU.

Since 1999, research grants have increased 80 percent reaching \$426 million dollars annually, which ranks 13th in the nation among public universities and 19th overall, according to a statement.

There are departments at OSU already using National Science Foun-

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Digital Union offers new multimedia technology



RACHAEL MCGHEE/THE LANTERN

Computers and a digital television programming station are available for students in the Digital Union on the third floor of the Science and Engineering Library.

Remodeled space allows students to work on group media projects

By Gregory L. Jones
Lantern staff writer

A once little-used computer lab on the third floor of Ohio State's Science and Engineering Library now serves a new purpose, following the official opening of the Digital Union April 2.

The transformed 2,000-square foot facility houses a videoconference suite, a video theater, a multimedia production facility and space for showcasing the research efforts of the Union. It is available for student and faculty use with some limitations.

"We are available to help students with multimedia

projects that are assigned in conjunction with credit-bearing courses," said Catherine Gynn, assistant director for eLearning. "We are also available to faculty for research programs having to do with eLearning."

Students and faculty need to explain the project they need to complete to the Union's staff. The trained staff will direct them to the right equipment and help them use it.

"We had an advanced marketing class from the (Fisher) College of Business that was assigned to do a commercial as their final project," Gynn said. "We were able to present the basics of iMovie, which is a tool to create short video to be streamed to the Web, and then we provide the workstations for completing their assignment."

The faculty has already started to send students to the Union.

Lauren Sadlak, a sophomore in psychology and criminology, was sent to the Union to work on a pro-

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Wall, discrimination to fall

By Joshua Foster
Lantern staff writer

Discrimination will be torn down next month.

The week of May 16 through May 20 will be dedicated to a celebration of culture to make students more aware of discrimination. The Writing on the Wall is creating numerous programs to accomplish its goal of raising awareness for anti-discrimination. The biggest activity of the week will be the building and tearing down of a cinder block wall on the South Oval.

"We want students and

organizations from around campus to sponsor all sorts of events during the week. Anything from cultural festivities, guest speakers, films — just anything that promotes diversity on campus," said Jill Daher, a senior in linguistics and co-chair of WOW.

A wall painted with remarks of racism and discrimination will be demolished at the end of the week to represent the destruction of such negative comments.

"Pre-wall work is just as important as the wall itself.

"This project is shaped by community; their vision is what the project will become for Ohio State."

Jill Daher
co-chair of Writing on the Wall

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Gymnastics wins awards

OSU takes fourth place in tournament and fields three All-Americans

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In Brad Land's stinging memoir, growing up isn't fun

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New OSU lobbyist position would seek out bucks

By Mary Tramonte
Lantern staff writer

The Office of Government Relations at Ohio State is looking for a director to head its Washington, D.C., office. The position is for a federal lobbyist, who will work to gain new revenue for OSU.

The lobbyist will be responsible for looking for additional revenue for anything from financial aid to research and program funding, said Richard Stoddard, assistant vice president of Government Relations.

"It's certainly something that we believe will pay a reasonable return for the investment," said Jerry Friedman, advisor for health policies and director of Government Relations in the Office of Health Sciences.

Though hiring a lobbyist to work in Washington is an expensive task, there are highly focused goals which may benefit students. "It really is about the funding," Stoddard said.

The federal agenda for OSU, as well as all universities, is growing, making this position necessary, Stoddard said.

"As the agenda gets bigger, you have a choice to react or engage. We're switching from a reactive to a proactive policy," he said. "The point is that we have a team approach, and now one of us will be in Washington."

Lobbyist positions at OSU exist at the state level but not at the fed-

eral level. By placing someone in Washington, D.C., at all times, OSU will be able to compete for funding at the same level as other universities, said Mike Goodman, president of the Undergraduate Student Government.

"We're not getting to the table as quickly as we need to, and we're not getting the policies done as soon as we should," he said. "We are missing out on things because there isn't anyone there."

Having a permanent representative in Washington will help students by bringing in more income and allowing OSU to be part of public policies, Goodman said.

Opportunities at the federal level are continually increasing, and OSU needs to be part of that, Friedman said.

"In terms of being able to compete effectively, having someone on the ground is extremely important," Friedman said. "There's a difference between going there occasionally and being there all the time."

According to the job description located on its Web site, the Office of Government Relations is looking for someone who will represent the university through developing and maintaining relationships with members of Congress and its staff, as well as federal agencies.

"We are looking for someone with recent experience in Washington," Stoddard said. "Recent congressional experience is very important to us."

Class aims to fix parking

By Adam Konvalinka
Lantern staff writer

The University Area Commission requested an updated parking report with clarified recommendations from a graduate class at Ohio State by April 21.

Graduate students in class CRP 852, titled Urban Project and Policy Planning, studied the parking dilemma in the University District during winter quarter and presented solutions to the UAC March 17.

Students studied the parking situation in the area bordered by Fifth Avenue to the south and Arcadia Avenue to the north, King Avenue/Perry Street to the west and Summit Street to the east.

"We recommended an increase in parking fees, with the proceeds going to neighborhood improvements," said Andrea Phillips, spokeswoman for the project.

Improvement suggestions included increased street and alley lighting and increased community safety patrols to prevent crime and fear of crime in the district.

The report found that personal and property damage was the No. 1 concern of the respondents.

"Improving safety in the area could allow residents to use their off-street lots and to walk, bike or use public transportation," according to the report.

Continued growth in the community and the future Gate-

University District Parking in the Big Ten

The following compares University District city parking passes and fines among seven of the Big Ten universities.

	Cost per permit per year	Fine per violation
Ohio State	\$25	\$40
Minnesota	\$10	\$15
Indiana	\$15	\$12
Purdue	\$10	\$15
Wisconsin	\$21	N/A
Michigan State	\$10	N/A
Northwestern	\$10	\$25

Source: CRP 852: Urban Project and Policy Planning final report

way plans will only increase parking troubles in the area.

"Findings indicate most streets with on-street parking in the University District are at or near capacity at all times of the day and night," according to the report.

"They felt it was very student-oriented," Phillips said. "Something like 70 percent of the 500 people we surveyed were students."

The city wanted to consider other members of the community, including business owners, residents and local employees, she said.

"Most residents don't think there is a serious parking problem," said Tony Lococo, a graduate student in the class. "Most of the problem has to do with people from out of town."

In order to remedy this problem, the class recommend-

ed increased transit service through COTA and CABS.

"A small increase in student fees, such as eight dollars per quarter, could add needed revenue to put back in place and expand service into nearby residential areas," said Megan Leatherman, a graduate student in the class.

Other propositions include amending zoning laws to create a car-free zone, creating a committee to improve pedestrian and bike networks, providing incentives to car pool and reducing the number of city-issued parking permits.

Professor Jennifer Evans Cowley, who spear-headed the effort, is revising the report and recommendations and will present the findings to the UAC at 6:30 p.m. April 21 at the Northwood High Building, 2231 N. High St.

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requires each student organization to submit a constitution with "a statement that the organization and its members will not discriminate against any individual for reasons of 'creed, religion, (or) sexual orientation.'"

CLS-OSU requested an exemption from the university ban on creed, religion and sexual orientation discrimination because of the group's beliefs.

"The Bible teaches that any form of intercourse outside of marriage is not according to God's plan and is a violation of scripture," Aden said. For that reason, the CLS does not allow non-Christians and practicing gays and lesbians to formally join the national group or serve as chapter leaders.

"No one would say the Young Democrats should accept the Republicans," Aden said. "CLS is not about being gay or not being gay; it's about following a holy lifestyle, which is no sex outside of marriage."

The university cannot comment on pending litigation, said Liz Cook, spokeswoman for OSU.

The university must file an answer by May 18, said Kathleen, OSU's attorney for the case.

In the meantime, CLS-OSU is conducting business as usual.

"They've been given a provisional recognition, which means they are allowed to operate and receive the benefits of most student clubs," Aden said. But CLS-OSU has been discouraged from applying for student organization funding, he said.

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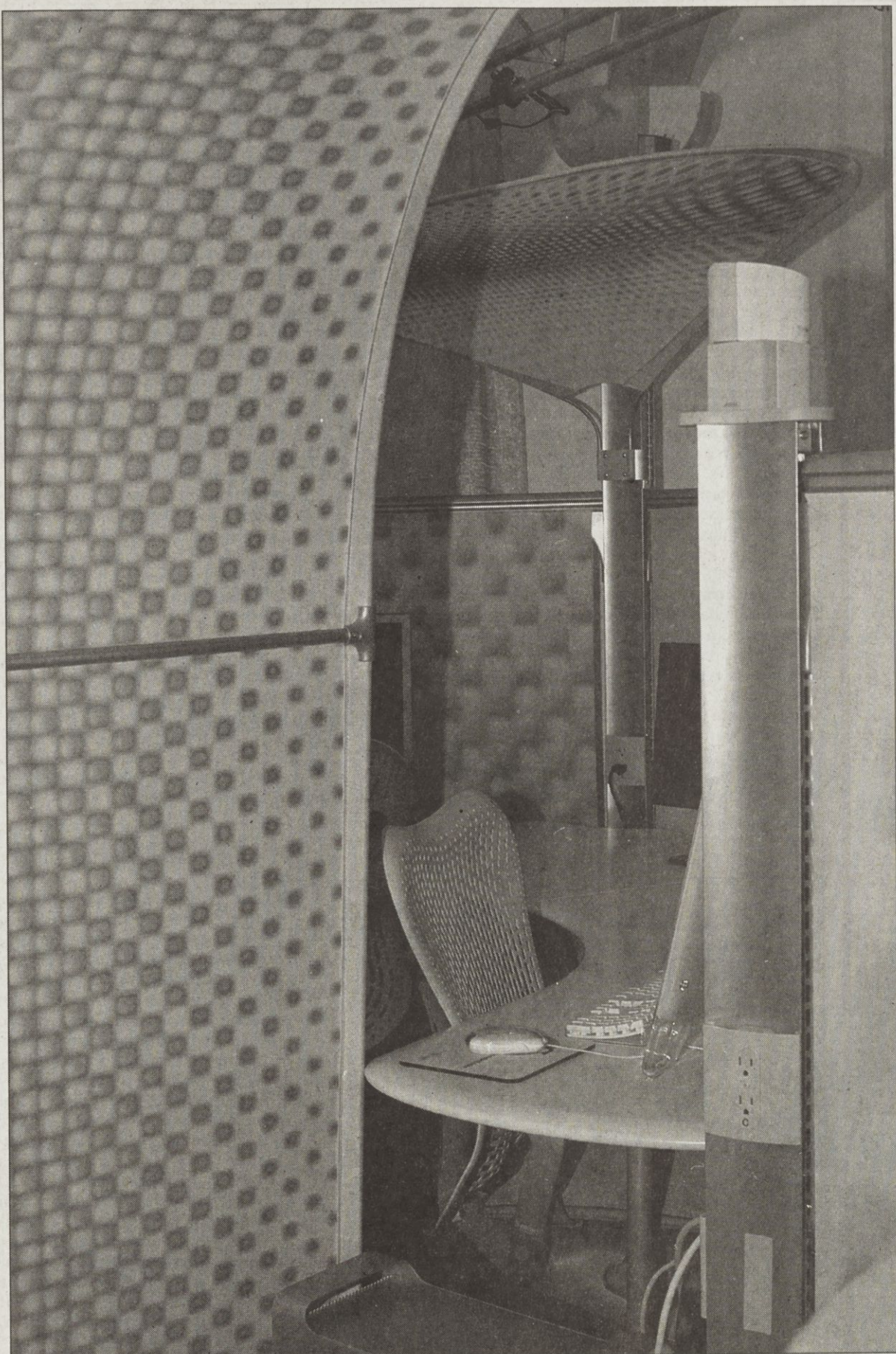
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ject for the political science department.

"It's very user-friendly," Sadlak said. "If I do research of my own, I'm going to definitely come here."

Students must have a multimedia assignment to use the Union because the test bed for technology is not set up to serve every student on campus. It was designed to test different kinds of equipment and test various placements of the equipment to provide adequate accessibility.

"We are very concerned that the decisions made about technology are the right decisions because we have to live with those," Gynn said. "We want to have as much information available as possible, make as informed a decision as possible about the equipment and even the environment."

The Union is trying ways to make working in groups easier. They are experimenting with equipment placement and use of furniture.

Gynn said technology projects are often

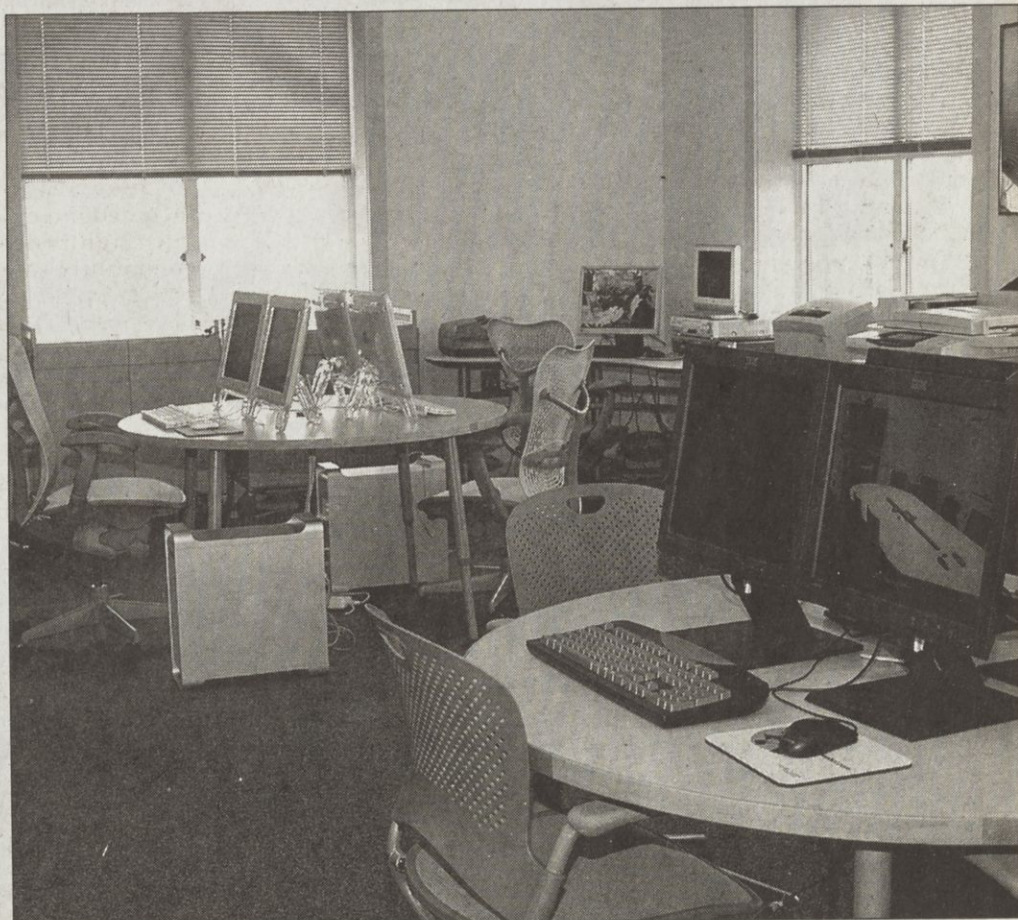
done in groups, so they want to find out if placing the computer on a higher table would be useful for collaborators to gather around. The Union staff will be evaluating the various configurations and deciding if they have a place in classrooms.

Martin Jamison, acting head of the Science and Engineering Library, said the 42 other computers in the library have been upgraded to make up for the loss of the little-used computer lab. Jamison said the number of computers has not increased, but there is one difference.

"They all work," Jamison said. "Two-thirds were working on a good day previously."

The library has also added additional wireless antennas to make Internet connections easier for laptop users.

Jamison said there are plans to add group workstations, more computers on the first floor of the library and a coffee bar, and to continue to expand the current wireless capabilities.



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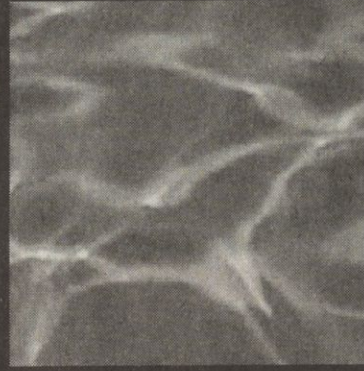
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its policy.

"As a result of this case, the policy will be to require the student to keep OU informed about convictions," Diougardi said.

She said OU was in accordance with the law by not informing other Wilson Hall residents.

Edwards is classified as a sexually oriented offender, which is the least severe of the three categories of sex offender, said OSU Chief of Police John Petry.

Petry said when violators in the second and third categories register to reside in a new location, everyone living within 1000 feet must be notified by the county sheriff's office.

Therefore, Diougardi said, OU had no responsibility to notify residents of Wilson Hall of Edwards' status.

Diougardi said she did not think OU would ever have to notify residents on campus of a second or third category sex offender.

"If we had that responsibility, the student probably would not be in the dorms in the first place," Diougardi said.

OSU spokeswoman Elizabeth Conlisk said OSU's policy is consistent with Ohio legislation.

"We follow the law, which puts responsibility in the hands of the county sheriff," Conlisk said. "On our application, there is a question (about felony convictions). Nobody has ever been a registered sex offender in the residence halls."

Diougardi said she thought this case might change how universities handle students' criminal histories.

"This story will have people looking at their policy more carefully," Diougardi said.

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The idea is to express experiences of discrimination for everyone to see," said Valerie Kolko, Hillel director of programs and campus relations.

Painting parties will take place at different locations all over campus where students will paint discriminatory remarks on bricks. The wall will consist of about 450 cinder blocks. Masonry time and money have been donated to the project by the Columbus Jewish Foundation, Ohio Union Activities Board, Office of Housing and Residence Education, and Ohio State Diversities committee.

WOW still needs a bulk of volunteers to help with events.

"This project is shaped by community; their vision is what the project will become for Ohio State," Daher said.

This can be a controversial event because of the subject matter it expresses.

"Although this is a controversial matter, by tearing down the wall, we can take back those negative comments," said Liz Menter, a sophomore in social work and of WOW. "This event encompasses so much that everyone can get involved, and it's important that we get students on board and interested in this project."

Similar weeks like this one have been done at other schools, starting at the University of Utah in 2001. Kolko brought the idea for this event after seeing its success at Indiana University.

Students who want to volunteer to work in WOW can contact Daher or Menter. An information session will be held at 7 p.m. tomorrow in the Gray Suite at the Ohio Union.

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dation — it would be great to see those already-successful program grow even more because the opportunities are out there, McGrath said.

An additional source of funding McGrath is intent to seek out is through the Department of Homeland Security, which though still in its infancy is the second-largest funder of research. The DHS is one of the main funders of McGrath's former employer — Sandia National Laboratory.

The decision was made from a large diverse group of applicants, said Fred Sanfilippo, senior vice president and executive dean for the health sciences and dean of the College of Medicine and Public Health, who led the search.

Included in the finalists was Tom Rosol, who had served as interim vice president last spring at OSU.

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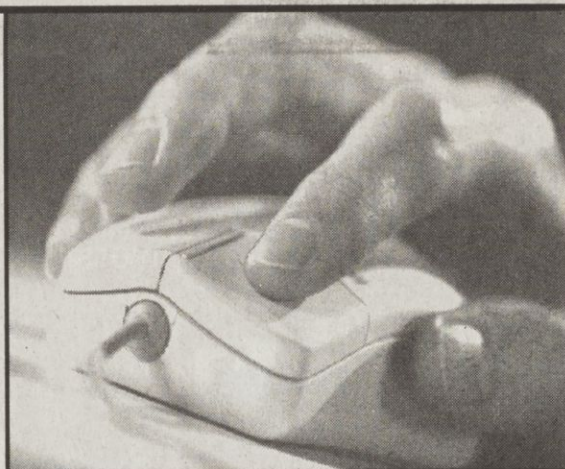
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By Tom Hays
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The author of the letter that led to the mistrial in the Tyco case told police he thought a mistrial already had been declared when he wrote it, a police official told The Associated Press yesterday.

The letter was sent last week to juror Ruth Jordan who, according to other jurors, had favored the defense during deliberations.

The letter expressed anger at the 79-year-old Jordan, who had been identified during the trial by some news organiza-

tions, for appearing to favor the acquittal of two executives charged with looting Tyco International Ltd. The juror also received a phone call, perceived as intimidating, that police believe was from someone other than the letter writer.

The communications prompted Justice Michael Obus to abort the six-month-long trial. Obus declared a mistrial Friday after 11 days of deliberations, citing outside influences on the jury.

The letter "was signed by a person who thought there was already a mistrial and was complaining to her about it," said the police official, who spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity.

The official, who had not seen the letter but had been briefed on the investigation, said the letter was not threatening.

"It wasn't a death threat," the police official said. "It probably doesn't rise to the level where there would be a prosecution,

but that's the DA's call."

Among the potential charges could be jury tampering.

The letter writer's claim was first reported yesterday by *The Wall Street Journal* and *The Washington Post*.

The letter is under court seal. On Monday, news organizations asked the Tyco judge to release sealed transcripts and other materials from the proceedings that led to the mistrial.

Another police official, who also spoke on condition of anonymity, confirmed to the AP yesterday that the letter was mailed from Massachusetts and that officers had gone there to talk to the writer.

There was no immediate response from Jordan. An answering machine at her home was full and would not take a message. She has refused to comment except for saying media portrayals of her have been unfair.

L.A. tries to block Wal-Mart

By Gary Gentile
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Wal-Mart wants to offer its bargains in Inglewood, but many residents aren't buying the pitch.

Voters in this working class city were to decide yesterday whether to allow the nation's largest company to open a shopping development despite opponents who say it will skirt zoning, traffic and environmental reviews.

Wal-Mart has argued in Inglewood and elsewhere that its stores create jobs and said residents should be able to decide for themselves whether or not they want the stores in their community.

Last year, the Inglewood City Council blocked the proposed shopping center that would include a traditional Wal-Mart as well as other stores. That prompted Wal-Mart

to collect more than 10,000 signatures to force yesterday's ballot initiative.

Religious leaders and community activists, including the Rev. Jesse Jackson, rallied Monday to urge voters in the city of 117,000 to defeat the ballot measure, which is backed by Wal-Mart.

The initiative's opponents argue it would give Wal-Mart the right to build without having to go through the usual array of public zoning, traffic and environmental hearings or reviews.

"You don't get to get around all of the environmental impacts accepted in this country," Rep. Maxine Waters said Monday. "You don't get to bypass the city and their building and safety and their planning departments. What they have done is they have gone over the top."

Wal-Mart has faced strident

opposition from unions, resident groups and some municipalities who say the company's gargantuan shopping centers hurt independent businesses, drive out higher-paying blue-collar jobs and worsen traffic congestion.

Objections to the Bentonville, Ark.-based Wal-Mart Stores Inc. have surfaced around the country, including Chicago, where the City Council recently stalled a measure to approve the first Wal-Mart inside Chicago's city limits because of concerns about the company's labor practices.

Wal-Mart officials defend the number and quality of jobs its stores create.

"They are nonunion jobs, but they are not low-paying jobs," company spokesman Bob McAdam said. "Wal-Mart pays competitive wages with other retailers and we offer health benefits to every employee."

Kits could chose sex of babies

By Lindsey Tanner
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Boy or girl? Now you can pick the sex of your baby in the privacy of your own home. Or so the Internet sellers of sex-selection kits would have you believe.

The latest fad in baby-making offers guaranteed, worry-free gender selection for just \$199 plus shipping. Some experts call it "snake oil."

But that hasn't stopped entrepreneurs from trying to capitalize on demand among some prospective parents.

The phenomenon first gained attention when some U.S. fertility clinics began offering gender selection for non-medical reasons through costly, often invasive medical procedures.

But it's been taken to a different level by purveyors of unproven home-use products, who are milking the increasing awareness about more legitimate sex selection methods and hoping to draw some of the same potential customers, said University of Pennsylvania bioethicist Arthur Caplan.

The only two medical procedures that experts say are legitimate — a method requiring in vitro fertilization and the experimental MicroSort sperm-sorting technique — have raised ethical concerns about designer babies and gender bias.

A Fairfax, Va., clinic that offers the \$2,300 MicroSort technique recently ran national newspaper ads seeking to recruit patients with the headline: "Do you want to choose the gender of your next baby?"

But home-use products that guarantee results with things like douches, vitamins and do-it-yourself artificial insemination kits pose different ethical problems because "they're promising things they can't deliver," Caplan said.

"There absolutely is an audience of people who are interested in" gender selection, said Richard Rawlins, a professor of obstetrics and gynecology research at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago. "The old standby is 'caveat emptor — buyer beware.'"

One home-use product is the GenSelect system, featuring boy and girl kits offered over the Internet at \$199 apiece plus shipping. It is touted as being 96 percent effective if properly used. GenSelect patents were approved earlier this year, said Dr. Scott Sweazy, a South Carolina urologist who helped create the system.

The kits include a thermometer to help predict ovulation, special douches and "gender specific" mineral and herbal pills.

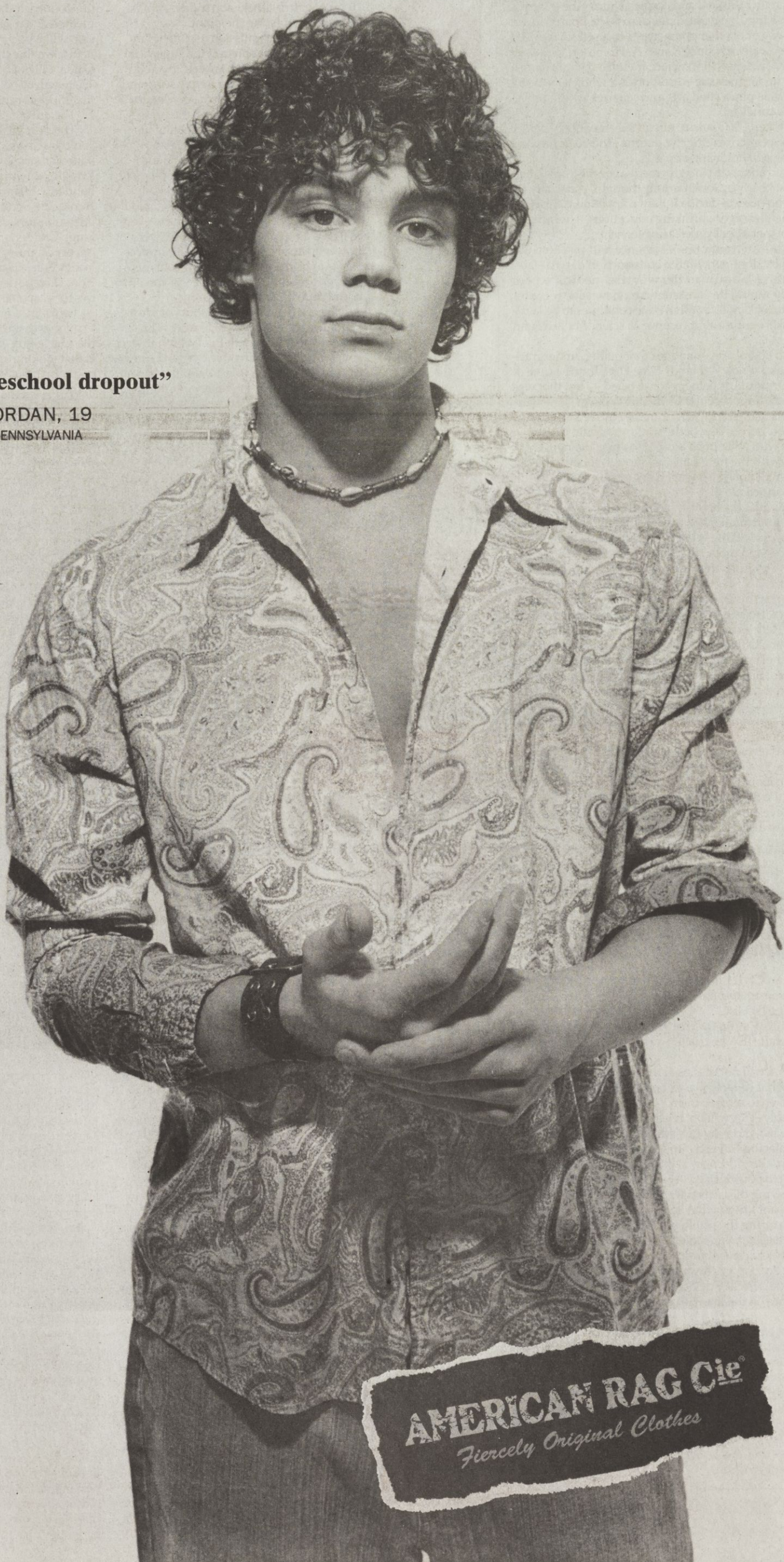
Sweazy said thousands of kits have been sold worldwide since the Web site started three years ago and that business has tripled in the past year. He said he did not have information on how many babies of the desired gender have been born with GenSelect, and a spokesman said sales figures are confidential.

"We have some people who didn't get the gender that they chose," Sweazy said, "but virtually every one of them didn't do it right."

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OUR VIEWS

Research overkill

Candidates hold correct platform

The internal feuding between *The Lantern* and Undergraduate Student Government has been well-documented throughout the years — neither side can agree on most major issues, and each organization has even been known to take shots at one another from time to time.

Both we at *The Lantern* and the politicians of USG claim to be a channel for the voice of Ohio State students, yet we both have had countless ideological differences in the past. So it should be noted that any time both organizations see eye-to-eye on a matter of great importance, there's a chance the student viewpoint may be united and correct. During the informal USG debate on Monday, candidates across the board disappointed in one way or another of the hyper-focused stance OSU has taken toward research since Karen A. Holbrook took over the presidency. The specifics varied, including some candidates believing undergraduate education as a whole was being undermined, while other cited arts and sciences as falling victim to research's conquest.

In the same token, *The Lantern* published an editorial earlier in the academic year criticizing the dogma Holbrook has had toward installing and enforcing research.

If both organizations are in agreement over this topic, then it should at least be given some serious thought, especially by the students, who need to decide if they want to take an active role in salvaging their ever-shrinking educations — which are being paid for by perpetually increasing loans.

The evidence is in front of us — science and research are well supported by donors, with the construction of two state-of-the-art buildings already under way; the medical school announced they would be constructing a new cancer center costing well over \$400 million; Ohio State continues to be lauded for Holbrook's continuing presence in science boards and councils.

But where do liberal arts — and for that matter, undergraduate education as a whole — stand? Page Hall, future home of the John Glenn Institute, is being reconstructed — but that was an initiative made under former president William "Brit" Kirwan. The Oval is being renovated, but that move has sent up cries from a good percentage of the undergraduate classes — especially those who will not be around to enjoy the new Oval. The same goes with the new Larkins, though luckily the old Larkins facility will not lose a significant portion of its usefulness during construction.

In the meanwhile, the rest of the university is crumbling: OSU's music department suffers a completely outdated and antiquated Weigel Hall; the Wexner Center, while bringing in live performances and modern art, is almost completely ignorant of the classics, depriving students of anything but a neo-art education; OSU's literature classics collection is almost nonexistent. To put this in terms of Holbrook's familiar South, the University of Texas boasts one of the best literary collections AND best Renaissance art museums.

Aside from art, OSU's agriculture departments — one of our oldest and most prolific programs — recently lost over \$2 million — a mere fraction of the money going into most of the major science projects; most students are probably aware of the increasing frequency of teaching assistants, online courses and 100+ class sizes, and the gradual extinction of 20-member, professor-led recitations.

While our advanced science fields are starting to rival the Ivy Leagues, the rest of Ohio State is more and more resembling the University of Phoenix Online. We're building physics skyscrapers while 50 students cram into a Lord Hall classroom for a 500-level linguistics course taught by a 22-year-old.

When will the discrepancy become too great for even the bigwigs to ignore?

Listed fliers

ACLU finds no fly list flawed

The American Civil Liberties Union is planning to file a class-action lawsuit against the Transportation Security Administration for its "no fly" list.

Travelers on TSA's "no fly" list are not permitted to board commercial aircraft; TSA instructed airlines to stop anyone on the list.

However, TSA will not disclose any information about the list, including what criteria places people on the list or what actions can be taken to remove them.

Understandably, TSA will not release the names or numbers of names on the list, but why can't the administration release the criteria for placing travelers under suspicion? At the very least, the public should know what qualifies those people placed on the list to be ostracized or picked out from the crowd.

Without knowing the criteria for placing people on the list, the public does not know what TSA is and is not protecting them from. Educating the public will also ensure TSA is not abusing the privilege to maintain a "no fly" list.

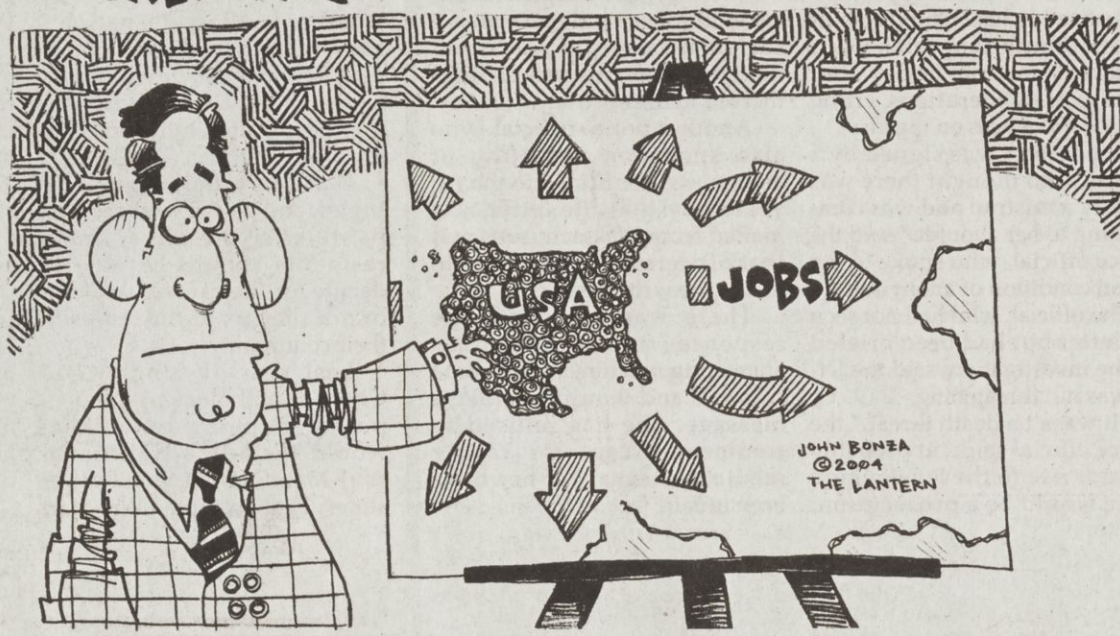
Innocent travelers can be stopped and extensively searched in an airport because of the faulty technology. TSA has acknowledged the defective devices, saying the technology confuses those names on the list with travelers who have similar names.

If TSA cannot effectively execute and enforce a "no fly" list, how does it expect to implement computerized background checks of all airline passengers — as according to TSA's plans? TSA's errors not only wrongly accuse innocent travelers, but they also decrease the public's trust in the administration.

The public may feel more appreciative and may be more accepting of the implementation of the "no fly" list, if they were informed of TSA's criteria for placing people on the list. The public may better understand its purpose and how it serves to effectively protect the nation.

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New threats looming

The Sept. 11 Commission has until July 26 to submit its report to Congress, but I think it's safe to draw one firm conclusion today: Almost everyone is missing the point.

It's not the commission itself that I'm referring to; the problem is the superficial way the investigation has been covered. Case in point: The media frenzy surrounding former counterterrorism coordinator Richard Clarke. By and large, the press appears more interested in debating his motives than investigating his claims. Apparently, the real story is the political drama the commission creates, instead of the answers it's supposed to be seeking.

The first important question is: Could the Sept. 11 have been prevented? The answer to that is almost certainly yes. That does not, however, imply that the Bush administration is to blame for failing to prevent them as even the embittered Clarke was forced to admit during direct questioning.

The attacks were the product of errors spanning more than two decades. The failure of former President Bill Clinton to decisively respond to terrorist attacks during his tenure played a role. So did the general dysfunction of our intelligence community, caused in part by what commission member John F. Lehman called "the bureaucratization and politicization of CIA." The chairman of the Sept. 11 Commission, Thomas Kean, hit the nail on the head Sunday during NBC's "Meet the Press." Concerning terrorism he said, "the nation as a whole, we didn't have it on our plate. We weren't looking at it." For years danger signs were there, but we drove right on by — until terrorism hit us head-on.

Investigating the Sept. 11 attacks, however, is only half of the commission's work. It also aims to answer the follow-up question: How can we prevent future attacks?

To this end, its final report will include concrete recommendations for fixing the parts of our counterterrorism strategy that remain broken. That is defini-

nitely a good start.

After all, terrorism from radical Islamic militants is the most visible urgent threat to our country today, and the changes implemented as a result of the Sept. 11 Commission will help guard against and eventually neutralize that threat. But the defeat of al Qaeda will not be the end of our troubles. There will be new threats after terrorism; that much is certain.

The question is: from where?

The next grave national security threat could be China, which has been trying to stifle democracy in Taiwan and Hong Kong, and which stands accused of underhandedly manipulating the global market. It could be South America's gradual slide into communism, as Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez and other leaders are now openly aligning themselves with Cuban leader Fidel Castro. Don't forget North Korea is reportedly working on ballistic missiles capable of reaching Los Angeles.

Looks like a pretty bleak future, doesn't it? Not necessarily. Not if we have learned the true lesson of the Sept. 11 attacks which is that looking ahead for threats is far less costly than having a commission look back at them.

Danger is not always clear and present — but usually will be, if left unchecked. What we as a nation need now is the courage to combat threats before, not after they become imminent. We need to take a forward-looking, proactive, and yes, sometimes even preemptive approach to dealing with the new threats of the 21st century. We need leaders with a vision of a strong and secure America with the backbone to make it happen.

The reality is that the United States has a leadership role in the world, and if we shirk that responsibility, we only doom ourselves to future catastrophes.

The point to remember is this: The attacks on Sept. 11 did not happen because America did too much — it happened because America did too little.

Money a-plenty for J. Lo

Music file-sharers are generally unsympathetic to the Recording Industry Association of America's fight against free file-sharing.

In their eyes, albums are overpriced, and most consumers purchase albums for the one or two tracks on the compact disc worth buying. Furthermore, shows like VH1's "Fabulous Life of (insert celebrity recording artist name here)" portray lifestyles of the rich and famous that, in all honesty, don't appear to be hindered or limited by a lack of funds at all.

Knowing that Britney Spears made \$50 million last year alone leaves file-sharers highly unsympathetic, especially if they're college students frustrated by perpetual tuition hikes and overpriced textbooks. Music file-sharing is here to stay, and the RIAA must understand and accept that.

But just think for a moment. Is there a possibility that record industries perhaps do not know what they are talking about?

At the moment, the idea does not seem too far from the truth. To further fluster the RIAA, a new comprehensive and first-of-its-kind study was released this week by Harvard Business School's Felix Oberholzer-Gee and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's Koleman S. Strumpf. The bottom line of this study is "downloads have an effect on sales which is statistically indistinguishable from zero, despite rather precise estimates."

Wow, that is a huge concluding statement. It totally sucks for the RIAA and its affiliates who to date, have no solid and empirically proven evidence to support their claims that file-sharing really does hurt record sales.

For 17 weeks, the two researchers analyzed and compared music downloads of file-sharers to the music purchases that took place during that same period of time. Their complex mathematical formulas even revealed that at its very worst, "it would take 5,000 downloads to reduce the sales of an album by one copy." This would imply a yearly sales loss of 2 mil-

lion albums, which is virtually nothing when taking into account that 803 million albums were sold in 2002.

On the other side of the fight, the RIAA attempted to counter the blow by demanding an explanation as to why the Top 10 best-selling album's of the year have experienced significant declines in sales every year since 2000. Also, they accused the authors of the report of going into the research with a set agenda already in mind, and their complex mathematical formulas used for the study were too difficult to understand.

Aside from the record industry's lack of hard, empirical evidence to support its claims, the industry have used solely the existence of music file-sharing and the decline of record sales as being the only two variables with a correlation. Other lurking variables may exist which could affect record sales. *The New York Times* said critics of the music industry have provided other factors that have potentially affected sales such as a slower economy, less music variety on the airwaves and a decrease of fans purchasing CDs to replace their vinyl record collections.

But the results of this potentially revolutionizing study have put the RIAA in a very embarrassing position right now. Because neither the association can come up with something to counter the study's research methods, the results are pretty darn solid that file-sharing actually benefits artists. File-sharers download free music because they can. If they're anything like me in they like what they hear and there are more than one or two worthy tracks on the album making it actually worth buying, they will go out and buy the entire CD.

The RIAA must realize that if they're going to continue ranting and raving about declining record sales, it may be in their best interest to produce quality albums at reasonable prices rather than blaming the file-sharing phenomenon, which they can no longer turn to as a scapegoat.

THEIR VIEWS

Bush too negligent in AIDS cause

After years of head-scratching, I've finally figured out what "compassionate conservatism" means: It means that you pay lip service to helping people while simultaneously whipping the rug out from under them.

It means that you ignore the suffering of untold numbers of people while fattening the pockets of pharmaceutical companies, and in doing so, consigning millions of people to death.

That's exactly what President Bush has done with the global AIDS crisis. The statistics are frightening: More than 40 million people around the globe have HIV or AIDS, with almost two-thirds of them living in Africa. In 2003, the disease claimed more than 3 million lives. By the end of the decade, 100 million people could be infected with the virus. Already HIV is now spreading rapidly in India and China.

These numbers are alarming, but if money was dedicated to combating the epidemic, it would go a long way toward treating the many women, children and men who are stricken with the disease. But Bush apparently doesn't think that's a worthy goal.

More than a year ago, President Bush promised \$15 billion to fight a global war on AIDS. But like so many of his promises, it's proven to be empty. His most recent budget request for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS was only \$200 million — a 7 percent decrease from 2003 funding — even though Congress approved \$550 million.

Not only has he given drastically less than what Congress and AIDS activists say is necessary to combat the disease, but his administration has so far refused to pay for generic AIDS drugs, bowing to pressure from companies that make name-brand — thus, more expensive — drugs. It's a classic case of profit over people, of valuing the all-mighty dollar and your stock portfolio more than living, breathing people.

And while Bush continues to halfheartedly fund the fight against AIDS and block the widespread sale of cheap generics, millions of people are dying from a disease that has proven treatable — but only if there is enough money and if people have access to medication.

I find it troubling that Bush has saving lives so low on his list of priorities. We can spend more than \$100 billion fighting a war in Iraq that has only served to kill tens of thousands of innocent civilians and cause massive unrest in the area, but we cannot spend even 5 percent of that amount to fight a very real enemy and a very real disease that kills millions every year.

We can give \$3 billion in aid to Israel to fund attacks against Palestinians, but apparently we cannot afford to give that same amount to actually save lives. I would laugh at the absurdity of this if it weren't such a grave issue.

At its core, this issue shouldn't be about money or about cold, black-and-white policy decisions on strategic interests. It should be about basic human decency and caring for people who are suffering and need our help.

While Bush says he is committed to fighting a "war on terror," he is ignoring a terrorizing threat that is killing millions and wreaking havoc on entire nations. Having both your parents die of AIDS while you're still a baby is terror. Dying slowly because you can't afford drugs that are made artificially high by policies that fatten the pockets of pharmaceutical companies is terror.

There are no excuses for this and nothing that one can say to justify this callous indifference to the suffering of millions.

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'Swan' ugliest reality show yet

If you can't beat them, get plastic surgery. This is what I've decided will be my new motto for the year. With reality TV shows still strangling our television sets it seems no matter what channel I flip to there is a person wanting a nip here, a tuck there, and in some cases enough plastic in their body to moonlight as a beach ball.

Being a pop culture whore, I've watched enough reality shows to realize that I should be disgusted at the lengths networks will go for the name of entertainment, but being disgusted and not wanting to watch the drama that nose shaving and breast implants cause is different.

During the beginning of the school year I found myself captivated by one reality show in particular — "The Joe Schmo Show." The program hooked the audience by having one person in the cast believe he was on a reality show competing for money and prizes. In reality the rest of the contestants on the show were paid actors. Watching this show was something of a guilty pleasure for me because I knew that at the end of each episode the main character would need more therapy than he needed the week before.

What I learned from watching Joe Schmo was having a show designed for no other purpose other than to see how far you can push someone's buttons is like holding a magnifying glass over an ant just to see it squirm. There is something wrong about it, but it

still fun. I knew that something in me said the show is morally wrong, but I wanted to know what they would make him do next and I continued to watch. After the show ended, I felt that I could handle any ridiculous concept that network gurus could throw at me and decided that if people wanted their 15 minutes of fame, it was only fitting for them to earn it in a cruel sociological experiment. But that was before I began seeing commercials for "The Swan."

Leave it to Fox, the creative minds that brought you "Paradise Hotel," to upset the happy reality TV equilibrium I had created for myself. Tonight is the inaugural episode of "The Swan" — Fox's new reality show that aims to take 17, self-described less-than-attractive "ugly ducklings" and turn them into beautiful "swans" through surgery, diet, therapy and image deprivation — a fancy way of saying there won't be any mirrors around to see how the scars look.

Then after these women have gone through "makeover boot camp" they will compete against each other in the "Swan Pageant" for the honor of being named the Ultimate Swan — or as I would prefer to call it, the one who has to deal with the 16 women who reinvented themselves just to be told they were losers again.

Why hasn't anyone spoken out against a show like this? Where is Dr. Phil with an inspirational quote? If Janet Jackson's breast could cause a

tidal wave of controversy wouldn't it make sense that a show that caters to stereotypes is just as harmful?

I understand that I haven't yet watched the show and am making a broad argument. The fact may be these women truly think self-mutilation is the only way to achieve happiness. What I can say is, I can only hope "The Swan" doesn't mimic MTV's current show "I Want a Famous Face," a program where people have plastic surgery to look like their favorite celebrity.

Television shows such as "The Swan" and "I Want a Famous Face" inadvertently teach people that it is acceptable to change their body so others will be more happy with the way they look. Everytime I've seen a show dealing with cosmetic surgery I always hear the patient say, "I'm doing this so I can feel better about myself." But isn't it true in most cases people undergo the procedures so others will look at them differently and not because a stronger jaw line would help them sleep better at night.

After watching reality TV trash for the last few years, I truly believed it couldn't get worse. Tonight after the show has ended, I pray that it hasn't gotten worse and television has some sense of dignity left. If this isn't the case — I've always wanted to be a John Cusack impersonator.

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Lithuanian president impeached

Paksas linked to crime ring

VILNIUS, Lithuania — Lawmakers removed Lithuania's president from office yesterday in a narrowly approved vote that found he had abused his office through links to a Russian organized crime figure.

In three separate, secret ballots, the 141-seat Seima, or parliament, reached the 85 votes needed to oust President Rolandas Paksas on each of the charges, although only 116 members voted each time. The rest of the lawmakers either weren't present or did not vote.

Paksas, 47, won't face another hearing or trial.

Parliament Speaker Arturas

Paulauskas will become the acting president, and new elections must be held in 60 days.

While the president isn't involved in the day-to-day running of the country — a task left to the prime minister — the head of state does serve as a leading foreign envoy. In Lithuania's parliamentary system, the president also plays an important role in the formation of governments.

Paulauskas and former President Valdas Adamkus have been mentioned as possible candidates. Paksas isn't barred from running but hasn't said whether he will stage a comeback.

The scandal emerged in October after a government report linked Paksas to businessman Yuri Borisov, who police assert has ties to Russian organized

crime figures. Parliament launched proceedings weeks later to remove Paksas from office.

According to the balloting commission, the first charge, that Paksas illegally arranged citizenship for Borisov, was approved by a vote of 86-17; the second, that Paksas divulged state secrets, passed 86-18; the third, that he used his office for financial gain, passed 89-14.

Many lawmakers said they were determined to remove Paksas before this Western-oriented country of 3.5 million residents enters the European Union on May 1, arguing that his presidency threatened to ruin the Baltic state's reputation. Lithuania joined the NATO alliance last week.

Just minutes before the secret ballot, Paksas again protested his innocence before the legisla-

tors, who essentially acted as a jury while a judge presided.

"This is all the system's revenge against me," said a calm but determined-looking Paksas, standing below Lithuania's coat of arms featuring a sword-wielding knight astride a white horse. "This is a vendetta for my efforts to fight corruption in this country."

As the vote took place, some 600 Paksas supporters gathered outside the building with 200 riot police nearby. There were no immediate reports of violence.

Had Paksas resigned, he would have kept privileges accorded to ex-presidents, including a state-funded residence, pension and title of president for life. But he steadfastly refused all calls for him to resign.

Official arrested, suspected of murder

By Paisley Dodds
Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide's interior minister was arrested yesterday on suspicion of orchestrating the killings of several people viewed as Aristide opponents, officials said.

The arrest of Jocelerme Privert — the highest ranking

official to be detained since Aristide's departure on Feb. 29 — comes amid complaints from former government leaders and members of Aristide's political party that Haiti's interim leaders are targeting them.

Privert was accused in the mid-February killings of several suspected Aristide opponents in St. Marc, a northern port city where violence flared in the buildup to an armed rebellion

that pushed Aristide from power, the government said.

Although Privert allegedly conspired to kill several people in the town, officials didn't say how many people were killed, nor did they provide names of those allegedly slain.

"The procedure is going to follow its normal course," interim Justice Minister Bernard Gousse told The Associated Press.

Privert is being held at the national penitentiary until an investigation is completed. Law requires that he hear the charges against him within 48 hours.

It is unclear whether he has an attorney.

When asked to visit Privert at the penitentiary yesterday, Haitian officials told reporters he was under the protection of the U.S. Embassy, which had no immediate comment.

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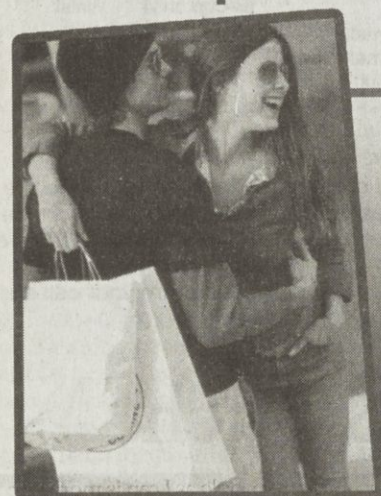
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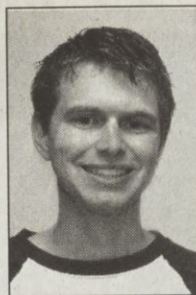
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Goalie leaves positive legacy

Being the all-time leader in saves, wins, shutouts, shutouts in a season and season-goals against average is an outstanding legacy to leave behind for a goalie at Ohio State. It takes lots of hard work, extra nights working long after practice and total commitment.

For OSU goalie Mike Betz, that just isn't enough. Betz is hosting an event called "An Evening in Africa." It's a dinner where guests are served by players from the OSU men's ice hockey team. What's the point to all of this?

Along with the proceeds from live and silent auctions, all the tips and some of the meal price from the event go to the Sioux Land Tanzania Educational and Medical Ministry, a charity organization with the goal of helping students in Tanzania attend high school.

Betz says he became aware of the organization while playing hockey in Sioux City, Iowa, and it was something he had to get involved with. Knowing Betz, this is not a surprise. The man might be the toughest competitor, but off the ice he is one of the nicest athletes one could hope to meet.

This is a refreshing change from the sullen athlete that seems to be the norm these days. Rather than burn bridges behind him, Betz prefers to lend his status to a cause he can be proud of.

"Raising awareness is more important to me than raising money," Betz said. "Touching as many people as I can is more important than any goaltending record."

This might sound cliché, but those who know Betz know he's speaking from the heart. His teammates are quick to vouch for his character as well, but don't just take their word for it. Ask the league for confirmation.

Betz has been honored for his efforts by the Central Collegiate Hockey Association. Last season he received the Mike and Marian Ilitch Humanitarian Award at the end-of-the-season awards banquet.

This marks the second year of the fundraiser and is also Betz's last season playing for the Buckeyes. Betz is a classic example of a player using his success on the playing field for the good of humanity in general.

"My on-ice achievements give me a platform to try and help other people off the ice," Betz said.

The question remains: Will this charity event graduate along with Betz? According to the man himself, this is a tradition he'd like to see the team carry on.

So why am I writing this column? My reason is not to give a shameless plug to a friend. The reason for this is simple: This is a quality fundraising activity that I feel OSU cannot afford to lose.

How many other OSU athletes can be named who start charity fundraisers like this one? There probably aren't many. This does not mean that our student-athletes are not involved with charity work, but how many are seen spearheading their own events to help a cause they deem as worthy?

This is why athletes like Betz will be missed while athletes such as the former OSU running back from two seasons ago, who I refuse to name, continue to cast a shadow over our entire community.

Am I the only one sick of cringing every time I see the OSU logo on ESPN, wondering what new accusations could be dragging our name through the mud? And yet it's events precisely like this one that get little if no coverage at all. I continue to be proud to be a Buckeye and I want others growing up in our state to feel the same way.

Check out "An Evening in Africa," and help out some children growing up in Tanzania. It could set a good example for Ohio's children too.

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Gymnasts pocket fourth at NCAA Tourny

OSU boasts three All-Americans, an Olympic hopeful

By Scott Maiberger
Lantern sports writer

The No. 5 Ohio State men's gymnastics team finished the year with a season-high performance at the NCAA Men's Gymnastics Championships.

The Buckeyes earned a fourth-place finish in the team competition, posting a season-high score of 221.350 points.

The weekend-long event was held on campus at the University of Illinois and showcased the top 12 teams in the country.

"It was a phenomenal competition," Ohio State head coach Miles Avery said. "We could have easily finished in sixth place, but our guys did better than that."

The talented field was littered with Big Ten schools. "The Big Ten is the strongest conference in the country," senior Jamey Houle said. "We have the most teams every year in the finals."

That strength was evident on Saturday as three of the top four teams in the overall competition reside in the Big Ten. Penn State claimed the national

title with 223.350 points, while home team Illinois finished third with 222.225 points.

In the individual competition, OSU produced three All-Americans. Juniors Kerry Adderly and Randy Monahan and sophomore Ronald Ferris are on that list.

For Monahan, it was business as usual; his score of 9.312 on the high bar placed him eighth in the competition and helped him secure his fourth All-American honor.

In only his third year, Monahan is drawing comparisons with the greatest Buckeye gymnasts of all-time. Monahan — a two-time Big Ten Gymnast of the Year — is only one such honor away from Olympian Blaine Wilson's three awards between 1995-97.

"He has been the top all-arounder," Avery said. "He was tremendously consistent all year long."

Adderly was awarded for a third time for his performance on the parallel bars. Though Avery said Adderly has been injured and relatively inconsistent on the year, his performance over the weekend displayed his competitive spirit.

"He's been up and down but he had his best meet in the national championship," Avery said. "That is how (competitors) deal with it."

Ferris was awarded for the first time by finishing fifth on

the high bar with a score of 9.537.

Jamey Houle did not achieve All-American status, but the soon-to-be graduate student is chasing a more prestigious honor. The three-time OSU Scholar-Athlete is a nominee for the Nissen-Emery Award; handed down to the best gymnast/scholar combination in the country.

"It is like the Heisman Trophy of gymnastics," Houle said. "Coaches and athletes nominate a bunch of people and then cut the list down to eight people; it is a great honor."

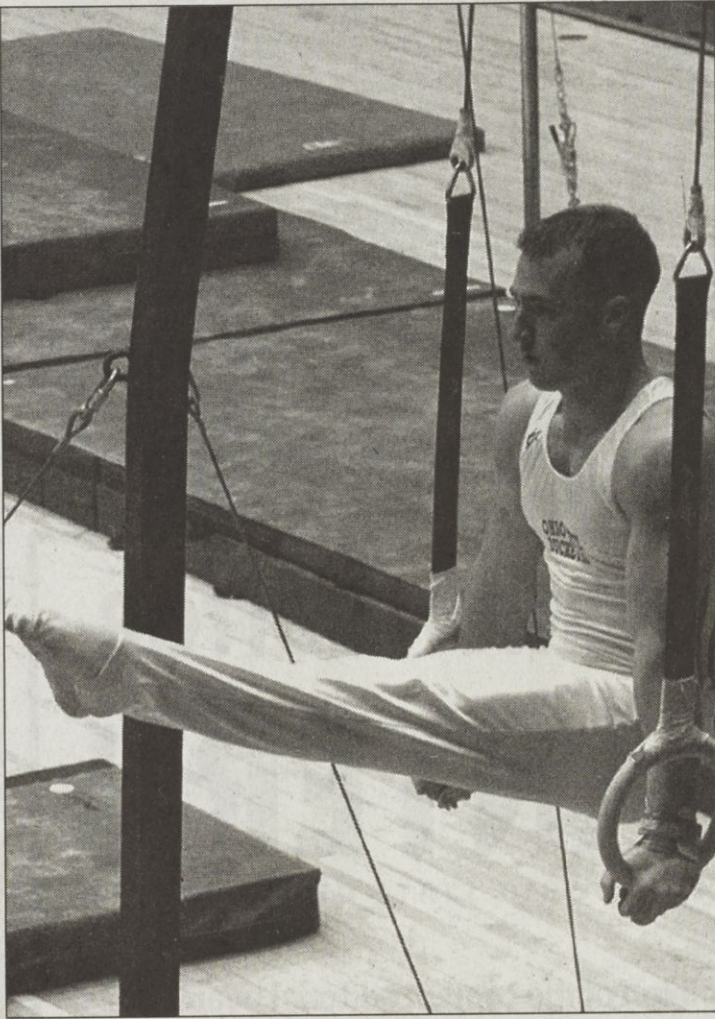
As for next season, OSU will have three returning All-Americans and an impressive crop of incoming talent.

Through the coaching of Avery, who is currently training the 2003 World All-Around Champion Paul Hamm and brother Morgan Hamm, the Buckeye expectations will be as high as ever.

"Next year, I think we can compete for the NCAA title," said Monahan. "We have a young team and a lot of good freshmen coming in."

Next for Monahan is the U.S. National Championships and a chance to qualify for the Olympic trials.

"It has been a goal of mine since I can remember," he said. "It would definitely be a dream of mine."

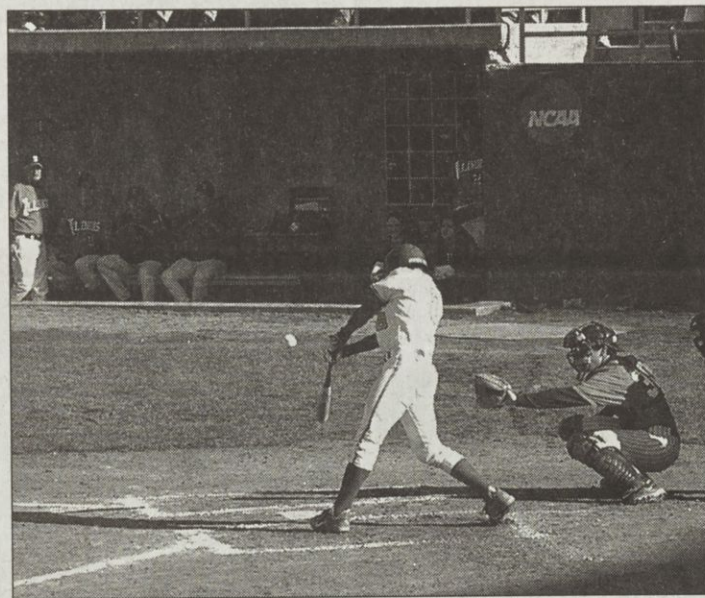


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Randy Monahan balances on the rings at a men's gymnastics match last season.

Baseball team still tweaking batting lineup

By Chris Galoski
Lantern sports writer



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Catcher Derek Kinnear hits the ball in Saturday's win against Illinois. OSU faces Oakland at 6:35 p.m. Wednesday at Bill Davis Stadium.

The Ohio State baseball team (10-11, 3-1 Big Ten) looks to carry last weekend's momentum into tonight's game against the Oakland University Golden Grizzlies (5-16).

The Buckeyes won three of four games against Illinois over the weekend, including a doubleheader sweep on Saturday. The team is not letting Sunday's 12-4 loss spoil a stellar start to the conference season.

"I don't think (Sunday's) loss is going to carry over," junior second baseman Drew Anderson said. "We just need to get away from those big innings."

The team needs to keep hitting consistently to score runs against Oakland, Anderson said.

"We just need to keep doing what we're doing — swinging

the bats," he said. "We need to just put more hits together. We had 11 hits (Sunday) but just didn't put them back-to-back. That's how you win games."

Tonight's starting pitcher is still undetermined but whoever makes the start could grab a leg up on the much-beleaguered fourth spot in the starting rotation.

"We've got to find a fourth starter," said OSU coach Bob Todd. "We certainly have to play four games on a weekend so somebody is going to have to be taking the bid and running with it."

Todd praised some of his less experienced pitchers such as Jesse Paciorek and the two freshmen, left-hander Jeffrey Carroll and right-hander Trey Fausnaugh.

"Paciorek would be a good candidate for a fourth starter,"

Todd said. "Jeff Carroll has given us some quality innings and a couple innings early in the year and Trey Fausnaugh pitched well for us."

Paciorek was encouraged by his four-and-two-thirds innings of scoreless relief on Sunday and by the comments from his coach.

"I hope that I'll have a lot more chances this year in ball games when the score is a little bit closer, hopefully, and a little bit better," he said.

Oakland, a member of the Mid-Continent Conference, has lost eight consecutive games including 15-4 and 23-9 defeats against Eastern Michigan last weekend. Oakland's home opener was postponed Sunday because of inclement weather. The results from yesterday's matchup with Eastern Michigan were unavailable.

Rowers oar to top

By Adam Jardy
Lantern sports editor

Ohio State is steadily rowing away with a league title. For the first time in program history, the OSU rowing team is ranked No. 1 in the USRowing/Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association poll.

"It's what we work for, but we still know we have to work hard to stay there," senior Ashley Orr said.

Ranked No. 9 in the preseason poll, the Buckeyes ascended to the top spot after defeating No. 1 Brown and No. 3 Princeton, earning the Big Ten Boat of the Week honor. OSU's first varsity 8 finished in 6 minutes 26.2 seconds, beating runner-up Princeton by 4.63 seconds.

"It's a great feeling to have this happening," senior Susi Wesenberg said. "We're really excited — our practices just keep getting better and better."

OSU held onto its No. 1 ranking by defeating the fourth-ranked Michigan Wolverines in a home meet on Saturday at Griggs Reservoir.

"Being on your own river, you feel like this is our race, we own this," Wesenberg said.

The first varsity 8 was again honored as the Big Ten Boat of the Week after its win over the Wolverines. The first varsity 8 defeated its Michigan counterparts by a margin of 7.14 seconds, finishing the race in 6:30.71.

"Out of the Big Ten, they're our biggest rival," Wesenberg said. "It's never happened before where we dominated Michigan like that."

"We had a really good day of racing," coach Andy Teitelbaum said. "We were solid (Saturday) but we need to keep getting better if we want to stay on top."

The Buckeyes finished with a 5-1 record overall at the meet. Victories also came for OSU in the second varsity 8, the first and second novice 8, and the second varsity 4. The lone Buckeye defeat came in the first varsity 4 competition, where the Buckeyes lost by 0.99 seconds.

"It's great to race Michigan and be able to win five of six races, but I'm sure this is not all we are going to be seeing from them this season," Teitelbaum said.

All the success is not coming as a surprise to the team. The OSU rowing team advanced last season to the NCAA championships for the fourth-consecutive year. The Buckeyes have two meets remaining before the Big Ten championships, which take place on May 1 in Iowa City, Iowa.

"We know we're good but we know the other teams work just as hard," Wesenberg said.

Orr praised the early-season work as well as the younger members of the team, who have helped add to the Buckeyes' overall depth.

"It's good to know that, thanks to our depth, every year we have a chance to be in the mix (for the title)," she said.

OSU will now travel to Charlottesville, Va., and compete in the ACC/Big Ten Double meet, where it will face No. 8 Virginia and No. 18 Duke.

"It's another race we want to win," Orr said. "We can judge how good we are by how well we do against them."

Women's golf looks to Big Ten Tourny after long season

By Adam Jardy
Lantern sports editor

After approximately 8,700 shots, a season that began with its first strokes in September is finally drawing to a conclusion. The Ohio State women's golf team finished its final regular-season invitational, and the women are now looking toward postseason play.

The Buckeyes ended their regular season by finishing seventh out of 18 teams at the Bryan National Collegiate Tournament in Browns Summit, N.C. As a team, OSU shot a three-round score of 906 (+42), which put the team three strokes behind sixth-place Tennessee. Duke won the overall tournament with a score of 869 (+5). The Buckeyes are ranked third in the country.

"We've played head-to-head with some of the best teams in the country," junior Kristen White said. "To still hold the No. 3 ranking says something about how we've done for the year."

Coach Therese Hession cited a busy schedule for the team's middle-of-the-pack finish.

"We've been playing a lot," she said, stating the team has played in three tournaments during the past month. "We should've played better."

Leading the way for OSU were two upperclassmen who have consistently placed among the leaders of all tournaments this season. Senior Allison Hanna tied for fifth place with a score of 218, which marked her fifth top-5 finish of the season. Hot on her heels was White, whose total of 221 tied her for 16th place. Hanna's final round score of 72 was even par.

"It wasn't one of our best matches," Hanna said. "We started off bad, but we got a lot better as the tournament went on."

"I can virtually guarantee that we will win the tournament as a team."

Kristen White
Junior golfer

The Buckeyes now look ahead to the Big Ten Championships, which take place April 23-25 at OSU. The team has no matches until then, and is using the time to get additional practice in on its home course.

"We haven't had one full day of practice on that course because of the weather," Hession said. "Even though we haven't played the course recently, we're a veteran team. Our experience will help us out."

White is optimistic about the team's chances in the tournament.

"I can virtually guarantee that we will win the tournament as a team," White said. "Individually, it'll be a tough race."

One key for OSU to be successful in the tournament is consistency. Hession said the team has been consistent and is peaking at just the right time.

"Our last tournament was our worst finish since September," she said. "We still have things to work on."

The team's confidence is increasing after the tournament, however. The team's comeback on the last two days has helped raise spirits.

"Ultimately, we were disappointed with finishing seventh," White said. "But it showed our mental toughness. Moving up from 12th on the first day to seventh was a big jump."

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Woods' 'struggles' could come to end at Augusta

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — One green jacket and Tiger Woods already was being compared to Jack Nicklaus.

Four straight majors, and the comparisons climbed even higher — to himself.

The lofty standard facing the No. 1 player in golf was never more clear when Woods arrived at Augusta National. He is the betting favorite to win the Masters for the fourth time, and yet there is a feeling this major has never been so ripe with contenders.

He has won eight majors — none of his peers have more than three — but Woods is facing sharp scrutiny because he has gone the last six majors without winning.

"It's different for me versus any other player," Woods said Tuesday. "Some other player has a bad week, misses the cut, it's no big deal — he slips through the radar. Whereas, if I shoot one bad round, it's a little different."

But this is no surprise.

"It's the only thing I've ever known since I've been out here," Woods said. "I was compared to Nicklaus when I first came out here, and now I'm

being compared to what I did in 2000, 1999 and 2001."

It was during that time that Woods made history just about every time he played. He won nine times and \$9 million in 2000, the centerpiece of a stretch when he won five out of six majors.

Expectations have taken on a new meaning.

"The people out there, spectators, if they don't see Tiger in the top five making a charge on Sunday afternoon, there's something wrong with him," Ernie Els said.

But even Woods concedes that his swing is not the same as it was in 2000, and there are inconsistencies in his game that he is trying to solve.

One week he drove the ball to all corners of the golf course and was spared by good iron play. The next week he found the fairways, but could never get it close to the hole.

He hits the ball great on the practice range, but there are moments of doubt on the first tee.

"It's not easy to trust your swing if your mechanics are not quite sound," Woods said. "That's one of the things that I've been trying to work on: trying to get my fundamentals of my golf swing more sound so I

can go out there and don't have to think anything except for the shot I want to hit."

That has led to questions about the state of his game, his split with swing coach Butch Harmon and the pursuit of Nicklaus' 18 majors that no longer looks as easy as it did two years ago.

Augusta National should be a good place to find some answers. No one has ever played the Masters on a course this long and this firm. While the fast fairways should negate some of the length, the greens will accept only the best shots.

It doesn't necessarily favor the longest hitters or the sharpest short games, but simply the best players.

"A guy that feels good about his game this week, he's got a good chance to win," Els said. "It's pretty open."

Woods already noticed some severe differences.

He could reach the par-5 second hole with a good drive and a 3-wood the last few years. During a practice round Monday, he got there with a 6-iron.

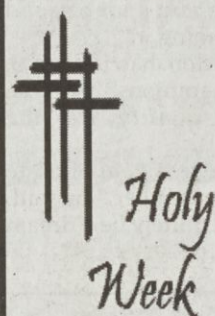
What really got his attention was the precision required this week.

"If you don't hit the proper shot this week, you're really going to pay the price," Woods said. "The landing areas are that much smaller now. It's going to become more apparent who is really hitting the ball as the week goes on, because you can't get away with having a bad ball-striking day."

Then again, Woods can't get away with a bad day at anything.

Going for his fifth consecutive victory in the Bay Hill Invitational, he shot over par the final three rounds and tied for 46th, his worst result on the PGA Tour in five years.

In his final tournament before the Masters, Woods opened with a 75 at The Players Championship and was in danger of missing the cut. He extended his record streak to 120, but was never a factor on Sunday.



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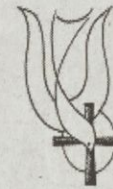
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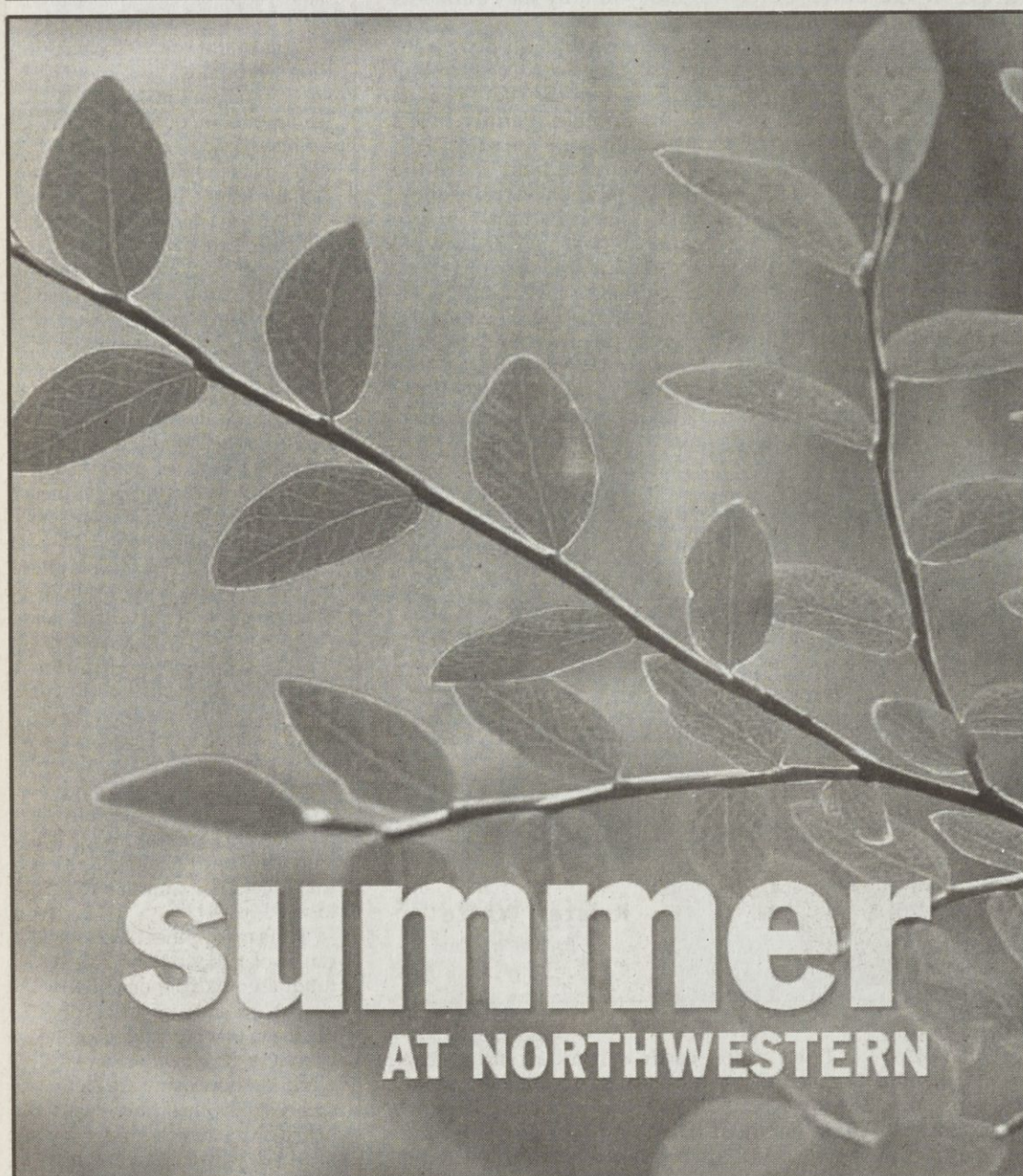
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Gun, drugs lead to guilty rapper

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Rapper Beanie Sigel's lyrics talk of moving to a quiet suburb, but the South Philadelphia rapper will likely call prison home after a scheduled guilty plea this week, according to a published report.

Sigel, whose real name is Dwight Grant, will plead guilty to federal drug and weapons charges at a hearing tomorrow, his lawyer told the Philadelphia Daily News in a story published yesterday.

"He's prepared to accept responsibility," Fortunato N. Perri Jr. said.

The 30-year-old rapper would face a likely sentence of about three years under federal guidelines if he pleads guilty to drug-possession and weapon-possession charges.

During an April 2002 traffic stop, Sigel allegedly ditched his 2002 Cadillac Escalade and a loaded handgun while fleeing from police. Police said they found a variety of drugs in the vehicle, including codeine, oxycodone and marijuana.

U.S. District Judge R. Barclay Surrick, who let Sigel travel to New York to film a movie sequel last month, will sentence the rapper, who has been under house arrest.

Sigel's legal troubles won't end there, however; he has a state court trial scheduled for next week on charges he shot and seriously injured a man outside a bar last year.

He also awaits trial for allegedly beating a 53-year-old man in January 2003, fracturing the man's eye socket.

Defense lawyers, in court filings, are trying to present a cleaner image of the rapper, who took his name from the South Philadelphia street where he grew up.

Sigel is a one-time choir boy who supports community events, and youth sports teams, his lawyers said.

J-Lo's mom hits huge slot jackpot

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Jennifer Lopez's mother won a \$2.4 million jackpot while playing \$1 slots in Atlantic City.

Guadalupe Lopez was playing Wheel of Fortune at the Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa when she hit for \$2,421,291.76 just before 8 p.m. Saturday, according to the casino.

Casino spokesman Michael Facenda denied knowing of any relationship between the jackpot winner and the singer-actress. But Us Weekly and People magazines report in upcoming issues that 58-year-old Guadalupe Lopez of New York is Jennifer's mother.

Jennifer Lopez's spokesman, Rob Shuter, declined to comment Monday night.

Us Weekly reports that Guadalupe Lopez plans to use a portion of her winnings to start a \$100,000 college fund for her two grandchildren.

Miss USA asked to become Mrs.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Miss USA Susie Castillo has some new diamonds to replace the glittering crown she'll give up next week.

Castillo got a surprise proposal Monday from boyfriend Matthew Leslie during a broadcast of the TV talk show "On-Air With Ryan Seacrest."

"I had no clue," Castillo told The Associated Press. "Ryan Seacrest was dropping hints left and right. I had no idea until Ryan said, 'Matt has something to ask you.'"

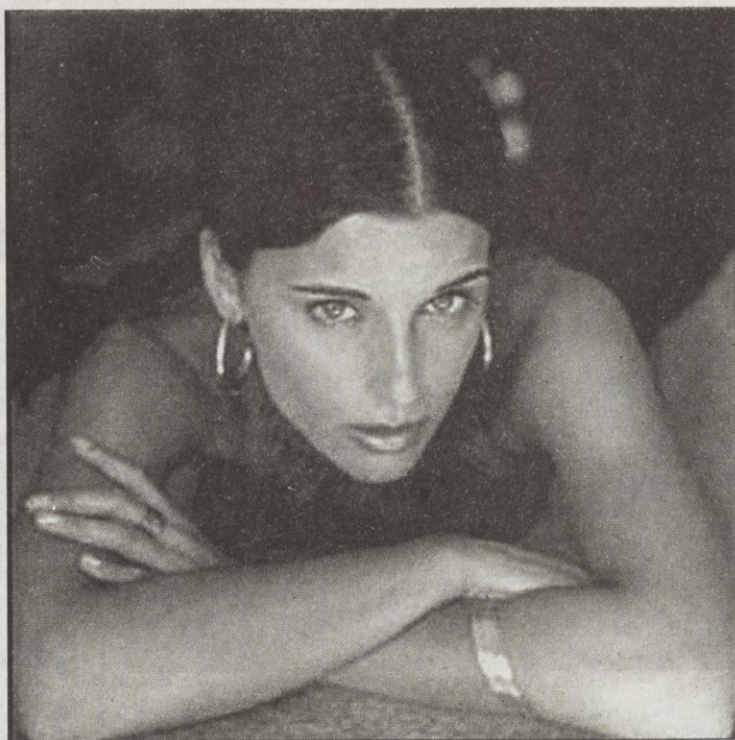
Leslie, 24, and the 23-year-old Castillo have been dating for 4 1/2 years. They met as students at Endicott College in their home state of Massachusetts.

Leslie got down on bent knee and presented Castillo with a diamond and pink sapphire ring.

"Everybody started screaming," Castillo said. "All the 51 Miss USA delegates were right behind us. They were crying. I was shaking."

Castillo almost didn't make it to the taping in Hollywood. She got stuck in her hotel's elevator for 20 minutes.

She will crown her successor April 12 during the Miss USA pageant on NBC.



COURTESY OF NELLY FURTADO

Grammy starlet Nelly Furtado writes one for the footballers.

Furtado pens new soccer theme

LISBON, Portugal (AP) — Nelly Furtado is going back to her roots.

The daughter of immigrant parents from Portugal's mid-Atlantic Azores Islands has written the official song for the European soccer championship being held in Portugal this summer.

She'll perform at a ceremony before the tournament final in Lisbon on July 4.

Furtado, 25, grew up in British Columbia. She won a Grammy Award for "I'm Like a Bird," from her album "Whoa, Nelly."

Her song, announced by Euro 2004 organizers Monday, is called "Força," a Portuguese word that means "strength" or "let's do it."

"It's about love of the game, love of life, love of sport," Furtado said in prerecorded remarks shown at a Lisbon

news conference.

Euro 2004 officials said the song, in English, will be released as a single. Furtado also plans to produce a version in Portuguese, they said.

The three-week European championship involves 16 national teams and takes place every four years in a European country.

'Passion' star: film not fit for children

ROME (AP) — Monica Bellucci, who plays Mary Magdalene in "The Passion of the Christ," says Mel Gibson's film is an "honest" work, but it's not for children.

"Gibson wanted to recount the last 12 hours of Jesus, and the last 12 hours were very violent, so it couldn't have been any different," Bellucci told Italian state television in an interview shown Monday.

"Right or not, he made an honest film," the 35-year-old actress said. She was asked about criticism that the movie was too graphically brutal.

"The Passion of the Christ," starring Jim Caviezel as Jesus, opens Wednesday in Italy.

Asked if children should see the movie, Bellucci responded with a firm "No."

Hong Kong Walk of Fame to open

HONG KONG (AP) — The handprints of Hollywood action star Jackie Chan and film director John Woo will be displayed at Hong Kong's Avenue of Stars when it opens later this month.

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LITERATURE REVIEW

'Goat' travels on road of growth

By Ian Story
Lantern staff writer

Brad Land's "Goat" is savage. Simple and savage. It is Land's memoir of the torture he suffered both psychologically and physically before and during his brief half-year stay at Clemson University; first by strangers and later by his fraternity "brothers."

It tells of the effects of violence and the gritty strive for masculinity.

Land is unwavering in his efforts to steal from the reader any preconceived soft notions about growing up. This book is hard and inspired. This story tells of the darker side of growing up. It is the sad tale of the horrible things people do to each other to fill the empty, black holes inside them. "Goat" is the vehicle in which Land drives home the results of the torturous events that haunt him in sleep and waking.

Land grew up in a small, sleepy town in South Carolina in a middle-class household with a father and a mother. He has a brother, Brett, who despite being a year younger is a model of confidence that nervous Brad struggles to be.

"I'm 20 years old and I weigh 132 pounds and my hands shake a lot and I'm always nervous and scared but I don't know why."

Immediately in the first few pages the reader is introduced to Land's simplistic writing style; lacking quotation marks and told in quick jumping sentences. The straightforward manner is confusing at first, and then down-right frustrating. It becomes hard to know who is speaking or being spoken to. Then the reason for this jaunty style is gloriously realized.

Upon leaving a beer-saturated party Brad is approached by a dark figure asking for a ride.

"I turn my head and he's there, this face I don't know, all teeth and glowing eyes, one hand laid against the chain-link fence running along my right shoulder."

The stage is set. The future is foreseen and nothing good will follow this encounter. Brad and "the smile," to whom he will refer throughout the book are joined by a second man, whose face Brad also never makes out and will be known as only "the breath."

After leading their driver miles away from the party, "the smile" and "the breath" begin to mercilessly beat Brad. The short choppy sentences start to shine from this point forward. Imagery like the shape of the glowing moon being seen through blood-filled eyes, or the smell of the granite that Brad's head is being crushed into, are hard things to explain while being beaten, but they are told to the reader in a style that is his own. The reader starts to feel the brutality, taking the punches with Brad, tasting the blood, and feeling the rising heat of the pain.

Brad was weak and fragile before. Now he is broken and cursed by dreams that recount

the hellish night.

During his recovery Brad's brother and only support, Brett, leaves for Clemson and joins the fraternity Kappa Sigma. It is no wonder Brad follows Brett and ultimately rushes the same fraternity. Brad sees something different in Brett. Land's hypnotic prose describes Brett as a man who has also tasted pain. After six months away from his brother, Brett looks and talks different. He looks like a man torn apart from war. Despite this, Brad joins the fraternity to find friends, shut out his demons and be with his brother.

Brad does not find calm, solace or support. It is violence magnified by heartless egos.

There is machismo everywhere at Clemson, like the solid rock at the football stadium. Former coach Frank Howard built the rock and told his players to touch it so they could "send people home limping."

There is also a rope swing that dangles 40 feet above a tree stump precariously poking out of the water. The brothers use it as a test of trust and brotherhood, and many often come out bloody.

While pledging, Brad and his pledge brothers are subjected to dehumanizing acts. They are told to bah like goats and do jumping jacks while their "brothers" throw footballs at their head. They are told to drink a cooler of water, phlegm, pubic hair and urine. They are also forced to simulate sex with each other.

At first, the fraternity is seen by Brad as a ticket to happiness; a life filled with easy girls, unlimited alcohol and friendships. Then it transforms into a dark, snarling beast crouched in a corner waiting to strike his weakened soul. It joins "the smile" and "the breath" in his nightmares and follows him in the daylight.

"Everything hurts," Land writes. "The air hurts, it hurts to breathe because I don't want to do this pledge thing anymore because I'm scared of everything ... but I'm also terrified of what I will be without the fraternity, that I will be nothing."

Land's approach to this story is a portrait of a perfect memoir filled with sometimes clear recollections and other times hazy images. He fills the reader's head with the same dreary, suicidal thoughts he once felt. Empathy can be felt with Brad and Brett as they struggle to overcome the violence of their past and present.

As readers are taken on this journey they are torn between flipping the pages to see what happens next or leisurely savoring the accuracy of Land's words.

Land reminds in "Goat" that these are not just college hijinxes but are brutal, sadistic acts of cruel boys, not men, that strive to cut down those that are viewed as weak. Land's recovery from the beating inflicted upon him by his kidnappers and the initiation tests, are grueling accounts of overcoming his lingering demons.

MUSIC REVIEW

Mice put out great sounds

Modest Mouse successful on all musical levels

Modest Mouse
"Good News For People Who Love Bad News"

As eagerly anticipated as any album yet this year, "Good News ..." is far more than satisfactory in assuaging the band's fervent fan base, and may even gain it some new fans. The album is expertly constructed, with perfect rhythm and harmony parts. But contrary to the band's recent history, "Good News ..." succeeds singularly on the strengths of its superb musical parts — which trump anything that Modest Mouse has arranged to date.

As musically ambitious as Modest Mouse may have been previous to this release, "Good News ..." sees the band straining categorization even further, as guitars share studio space with a variety of rock-band-also-rans such as; the ukulele, mellotron, accordion, banjo, glockenspiel, pump organ, tin whistle, fiddle, upright bass, baritone guitar and an entire horn section.

The album reflects this synergistic instrument experimentation, as the horn section, especially, finds its way into the music to generally terrific results. "This Devil's Workday" is a genuinely bizarre track in which an audibly sneering lead singer Isaac Brock growls over a burlesque horn part, and "Satin in A Coffin," which uses the banjo just subtly enough, are exemplary of Modest Mouse's creative ideal.

The glowing poetry of "The Moon & Antarctica" or "Lonesome Crowded West" is also evident here, but is sometimes undercut, surprisingly, by the



COURTESY MODEST MOUSE
Modest Mouse's "Good News For People Who Love Bad News" is good news for indie music fans

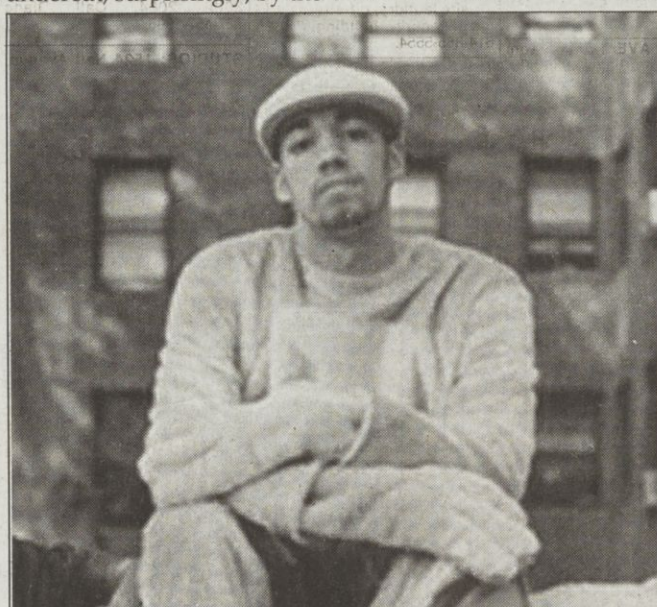
vocals of Brock, who exhibits uncharacteristically weak vocals. This is evident on the album's first single, "Float On," a mechanically beautiful song that features a stellar guitar part, but on which Brock is unfortunately lacking. At this, and a half dozen other moments on the album, one wishes that a version of Brock from four years ago could contribute vocals.

However, this is not exclusively the case, as vocals often fit expertly into the song constructions. Brock shows enormous range — from melodic dreamer on "Blame it on Tetons," to maniac on "Dance Hall" — although the latter is somewhat misguided.

Throughout, Modest Mouse shows exactly why their fans were willing to wait nearly four years between full-length albums, as poetry and free-form music are distilled into a single, remarkably harmonious, identity.

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Grey Album's beats quality

DJ Danger Mouse
The Grey Album

This well publicized, download-only, digital fusion of The Beatles' White Album and Jay-Z's "The Black Album," is the side project of Brian Burton, a Los Angeles DJ who goes by Danger Mouse. Having received permission from neither camp, Burton used unauthorized samples from both records to create the critically lauded release.

"The Grey Album" is remarkably creative and interesting — and would never have come to fruition without the heavy bending of copyright rules. The Beatles (Paul, Ringo and the estates of John and George) generally do not recognize sampling requests and Jay-Z would have likely asked for a disproportionate compensation for the usage of his a cappella songs.

Musically, the album features many Beatles songs so altered that they defy recognition on first listen. Popular — and easily recognizable — songs, such as "Julia" and "While My Guitar Gently Weeps," are indecipherably laced with Jay-Z's raps.

The most successful song on the album is George's forgettable "Piggies," which Burton effectively loops upon itself and mixes with Jigga's "Change Clothes." The result is ultimately harmonious.

Burton oversteps many bounds with this release, but none is as painful as his remixing of the Charles Manson anthem "Helter Skelter" with Jay-Z's rambunctious "99 Problems." The charging guitar part runs directly into a gunshot rap, producing the bone rattling effect that all rap-metal aims for, but rarely achieves.

Brian Duff
Lantern Arts Editor
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MOVIE REVIEW

DMX's film: lacks plot, has action

By Spencer Harris
Ka Leo O Hawai'i (U. Hawai'i)

HONOLULU - We all know life as a drug dealer is never beautiful, but what we continually fail to see is the emotional struggle a drug dealer may encounter during his or her time in such a field. Director Ernest R. Dickerson tries to portray the reality faced by drug dealers in his latest film, "Never Die Alone."

King David (DMX) has returned to his hometown on the East coast to try to make amends for all his past crimes, but upon arrival he is immediately attacked by his old boss. The only person to witness the attack on King David is a white writer, Paul (David Arquette). Although he has no connection to King, he rushes King to the hospital. Unfortunately, King passes away. But before dying, he leaves all of his possessions to the writer, asking him, as a dying wish, to find King's son and turn everything over to him. However, Paul is no ordinary novelist—he is a journalist as well. Curious about the motives for David's death, Paul decides to do some research on King, and is aided by the taped autobiography left in King's car.

According to the tapes, King had left the East Coast to escape his boss, Moon. Once on the West Coast though, King discovers how easy it is to push Moon's drugs and begins to build a new reputation for himself in Los Angeles. After making many clients, business is booming, and King begins to make a profitable gain off of the drugs. Eventually, King's past begins to sneak up on him, especially when he meets up with Brenda, a young college woman with whom he falls in love.

DMX is known as a popular hardcore rapper, and has also starred in the films "Romeo Must Die" and "Cradle to the Grave." In this film, DMX has a role that is more serious than his previous works. He delivers a fairly convincing performance.

The film is shot with a digital camera, which creates the home-video effect throughout the film, which is fitting because the film is about the personal history of King David. The cinematography of the film depicts the flashback of the life of King, making it appear as if it were a story out of someone's mind. Unfortunately, this type of special effect makes it difficult to view events clearly.

While the film does show DMX in a critical moment in his acting career, the lack of a plot ensures there is no emotional development for any of the characters in the film. In DMX's previous performance in "Cradle to the Grave," we see the strong and weak sides of his character, while in "Never Die Alone," his character is introduced, but there is no true evidence of his weakness throughout the film.

Despite its flaws, the film does some things well. During King's adventures in California, we learn that he begins to push heroin along side of cocaine. The makeup artists have done an exceptional job in displaying the physical changes drugs have on a person. It is shockingly real in portraying the physical and mental changes experienced by an addict.

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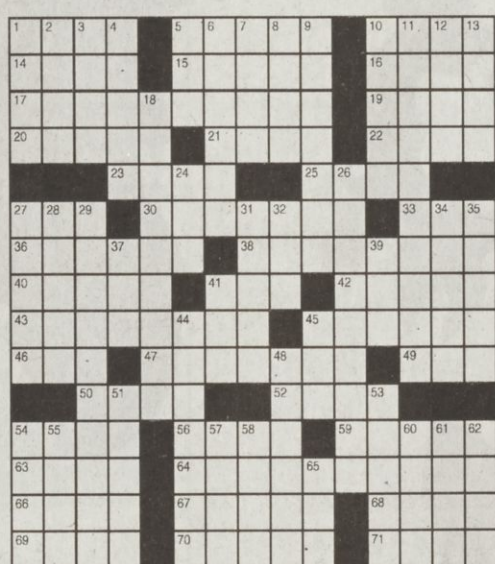
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