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Turner named college basketball's best

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Ohio State junior guard Evan Turner has often expressed a desire to be one of the best players to ever play basketball in a Buckeye uniform.

Turner might have cemented his place in that discussion Sunday when he was named the Naismith National Player of the Year award winner, something no OSU player has ever done. He was given the honor at the National Association of Basketball Coaches' Guardians of the Game awards show in Indianapolis.

"As the first Buckeye to win the award, to have

my name listed with some of the greats of the game like Kareem [Lew Alcindor], Bill Walton, Larry Bird and Michael Jordan is incredible," Turner said. "I appreciate those who voted for me and am just really excited to be associated with this award."

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Are you taking a class with a felon?

Committee reviewed 86 applications this academic year that revealed felony records

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If an Ohio State applicant has a felony record, the first thing he must decide is whether to commit another crime by lying on the application.

Starting in 2006, OSU added Question No. 9 to its application: "Have you ever pled guilty to or been convicted of a felony, or is any felony charge currently pending against you?"

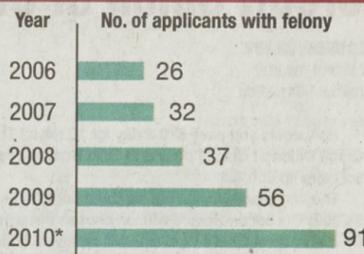
If an applicant answers "yes," the application is reviewed by the Q9 Committee, a panel named after the felony question. The committee was established in 2006, said Louise Douce, assistant vice president of Student Affairs and Student Life.

Douce said she didn't recall a specific event or reason that prompted OSU to create the committee. She said it was in conjunction with an effort at the time to do more thorough background checks on employees.

For this academic year, 86 people with felony records applied to OSU's Columbus campus — between 15 and 20 of those enrolled, said Mabel Freeman, assistant vice president of Undergraduate Admissions and First Year Experience.

The trend has been rising. OSU processed 26 applications in 2006, 32 in 2007, 37 in 2008 and 56

Applicants who list felonies on the rise



* Based on applications for Summer and Autumn 2010
Source: Undergraduate Admissions and First Year Experience

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Ross is boss

Ross Hartley, a third-year OSU student, has been dominating in the triathlon world for the past three years. His future plans include becoming national champion in 2010 and competing in the 2016 Olympics. Read his story on 3A.

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Ross' Career

2007
Won two races and set two race records
Collegiate All-American Tri-Athlete

2008
Won six races and set six race records
Honorable Mention All-American

2009
Won eight races and set eight race records
One of *Inside Triathlon* Magazine's "Athletes of the Year"

2010
Achieved eligibility to go pro
Placed 10th in 2010 Elite Development Race
Tri-Nation Online Sprint Distance National Champion
Second place at Best of the U.S. (National Runner-up)

Daily schedule of a champion

Wake up
6:30am

Classes
12:00pm

Work (as a life-guard at the RPAC)
4:00pm

Bike (20 - 70 miles a day)
7:30pm

Dinner, homework and relax
11:00pm

5:45am: Swim or run (1-1.5 miles a day or 8-14 miles a day, respectively)

8:30am

Construction soon to limit Medical Center, I-71 traffic

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Construction will begin April 5 on Cannon Drive and 10th Avenue as part of ProjectONE, the Ohio State Medical Center's \$1 billion expansion and renovation project.

The construction on Cannon Drive and 10th Avenue is expected to be done by summer, according to a news alert from OSU's Transportation and Parking Services Web site.

Construction will reduce the area of Cannon Drive between John Herrick Drive and Medical Center Drive near the OSU Medical Center to one lane in both directions.

The Polo Lots, parking lots west of Cannon Drive, will lose 50 parking spaces April 5 and another 150 spaces by mid-April.

The effects of the construction, such as traffic delays and parking shortages, are expected throughout campus.

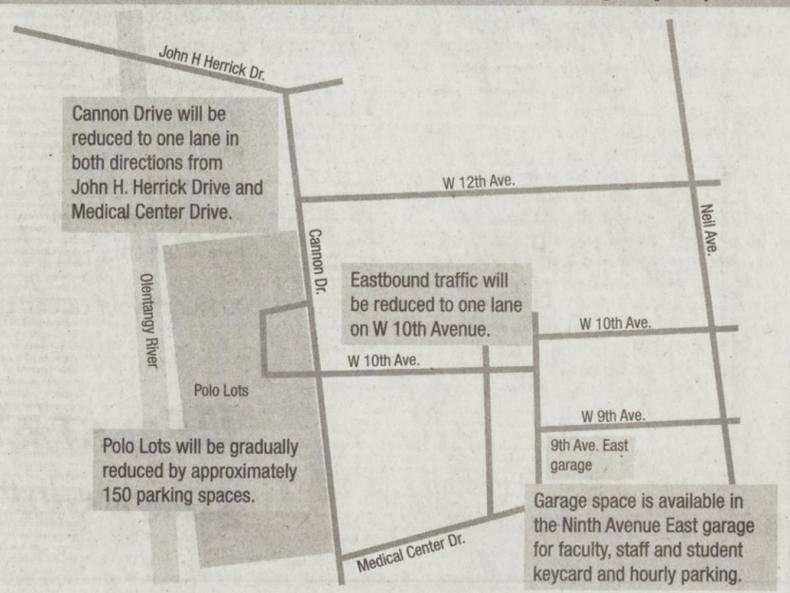
The construction will cause delays for buses and traffic, said Sarah Blouch, director of Transportation and Parking Services.

Police officers will be posted at important intersections to help move traffic through the area, Blouch said in an e-mail.

More construction will begin April 7. The additional construction will restrict traffic to

ProjectONE Construction

The Medical Center's expansion project will continue with construction beginning on April 5.



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Employers consult social networking sites while hiring

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College students prepping for life after graduation might want to take a closer look at their social networking profiles before they lose out on potential jobs.

A recent survey commissioned by Microsoft revealed that 70 percent of hiring managers around the world have admitted to rejecting applicants because of information uncovered through online investigation.

In the U.S., Britain, Germany and France, 1,200 human resource managers and consumers admitted to hiring professional background investigators to use search engines, social networking profiles, personal Web sites, blogs, gaming sites and online classifieds to find information on potential candidates.

With an increasing number of employers conducting online

background checks for potential job candidates, students are forced to think twice about what actions they make when posting on social media sites.

"I'm generally worried about employers checking out my Facebook page," said Gabe Turk, a communication student in his final year at Ohio State. "I do go out a lot with my friends on the weekend, and that doesn't detract from my work necessarily, but employers may think that it would, and that might be a reason for them to not hire me."

When analyzing the data produced by Microsoft's survey, Turk's concerns appear to be validated.

According to the survey, 55 percent of employers cited inappropriate photos as the cause of rejection, 56 percent attributed inappropriate written text by both the candidate and their friends, and 58 percent claimed questionable lifestyle data on the candidate was enough to nix them from job contention.

"I tend to delete pictures with my face open like an idiot," Turk said. "I watch all

my Facebook posts, and make sure my friends don't type any curse words or anything like that. I also change my last name."

Turk's attempt to "hide" his Facebook profile is not an uncommon practice.

With online profile checks becoming another hurdle for students in today's increasingly stringent hiring procedures, many are questioning how much of a detriment Facebook and Twitter accounts can be when searching for employment.

April Calkovsky, an internship specialist in the Arts and Sciences Program at OSU, works closely with students to find internships in their field of study.

For Calkovsky, warning students about monitoring their online reputation has become a high priority.

"It is up to each person to use discretion when they're online and to know what is out there about them," Calkovsky said. "And it's up to the employer to use their own judgment of that activity."

As a result of the increase in

employers using online profile pages to judge the character of potential job candidates, a number of young professionals have turned to abandoning social networking media in fear of being negatively evaluated.

However, avoiding social networking as a whole could put employee-hopefuls at a disadvantage.

Jerry Thomas, an OSU faculty member in the Department of Human and Community Resource Development, works with organizations to integrate technology and social networking media into their workflow.

Thomas said he feels that users who attempt to avoid using social networking sites could be excluding themselves from a huge advantage over their predecessors. A high number of industry veterans are finding themselves in competition with younger job applicants in an economy still reeling from recession.

"I know some recruiters, especially recruiters over the age of 40 to 45, really advise upon not even having Facebook

pages," Thomas said. "But on the other hand, if you use them correctly, having those pages really builds up a network that people in that age group could be envious of."

With Spring Quarter graduation looming, many students planning to make a smooth jump from student to professional are evaluating how online reputation will affect their job placement.

"Based on an interview alone, it's probably hard for them to decide if you're really the person that they want on their job," said Rachel Starr, a third-year in communication. "If you've got pictures of yourself that they maybe don't think are appropriate, yeah they'll judge you. But you should've probably thought of that before you put it on your Facebook page."

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Credit Union of Ohio conducts video scholarship contest about saving money

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How could you save \$20 a day for 10 days? That's the question Credit Union of Ohio is posing to Ohio State students for its video scholarship contest.

The first-place winner, chosen by a panel of judges, will receive \$5,000. The second-place winner, chosen through popular vote on Credit Union of Ohio's Web site, will receive \$2,500.

For this year's contest, titled "2010 Days Video Competition," students must submit a video 30 seconds to two-and-a-half minutes long, showing what changes they could make to their lifestyles in order to save \$20 a day for 10 days. In past years, the scholarship was an essay contest, but last year it was changed to a video format.

"Who wants to write an essay anymore?" said Kim Hudson, vice president of marketing at Credit Union of Ohio. "This generation of students, in particular, videotape everything, and then they post it everywhere, so why not put it in this format? This is what they're comfortable with, and it's all about them."

The winning video will be chosen based on creativity, accuracy of information, reflection of theme, quality of content and overall execution. For the people's choice award, starting June 1, videos will be posted on the scholarship page of Credit Union of Ohio's Web site, where viewers will be able to vote for their favorite videos.

Jill Gerschütz, member development supervisor at Credit Union of

Save \$20 a day for 10 days

Tips from the Credit Union of Ohio

- Use coupons as much as possible. Groupon.com shows daily deals on everything from groceries to spa treatments in Columbus.
- Want to see a movie? Go to a dollar theater. There are a few in the Columbus area.
- Attend free events in Columbus. Many places also offer student discounts. Check out D-Tix at Explorecolumbus.com.
- Plan your meals out based on what's on sale for that week at the grocery store.
- Don't buy meat at full price. Wait for it to go on sale.

Source: Kim Hudson and Jill Gerschütz

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Ohio, developed this year's theme. She said the contest is meant to teach students how to save money easily.

Hudson added that if participants follow the theme correctly, they will get something out of the contest.

"Regardless of if they win first place or even the people's choice award, they'll have \$200 in their savings in the end, so everyone's going to get a little bit of money."

If you've never made a video before, don't let that stop you. Last

year, only 20 videos were submitted, so chances of winning were pretty high. To give the contest more publicity this year, Credit Union of Ohio brought a film crew to its campus branch at 11th and Neil avenues. The crew asked OSU students about their spending habits and how they would save \$20 a day for 10 days. In response to how he would save that much money, one student said he would "stay inside in an empty room." Another said he would eat "a lot of Ramen [noodles]."

However, Hudson and Gerschütz don't encourage students to starve themselves or sacrifice a social life in order to win. Both mentioned there are plenty of free things to do in Columbus, and Hudson suggested using a lot of coupons. They said they want students to continue living a full life while saving money at the same time.

All undergraduates currently enrolled or accepted into OSU are encouraged to apply. Undergraduates at other accredited four-year universities that are Credit Union of Ohio members are also eligible.

The contest is also open to group entries. Groups of up to five people are allowed to submit a video. However, if a group video wins, the money will be split equally among the members. Hudson said they let groups participate in the video contest because not everyone has the tools necessary to film and edit a video. Working in a group allows multiple people to contribute to the project and still get equal credit, she said.

Credit Union of Ohio began accepting submissions on March 29. Students have until May 28 to submit a video.

To learn more about the contest and submit a video, visit 2010days.cuofohio.org.

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Ohio State student a record-breaking triathlon prodigy

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He has broken 16 triathlon race records since 2007. He is also currently the state triathlon champion of Ohio and national runner-up in his age group.

But for Ross Hartley, triathlons are more about enjoyment than accolades.

"I do triathlons because they are fun," he said. "The big key is just keeping them fun and making sure they do not become your life."

Despite training seven days a week for up to three to four hours a day, Hartley has been able to balance his training with other aspects of his life.

"I just have to plan things out and keep my priorities straight," he said. "School and work always come first."

Hartley, a third-year in education and a lifeguard at the RPAC, ran cross-country and wrestled at Pickerington North High School. His triathlon journey began with the purchase of a bike from a mentor.

"My health teacher at my high school became one of my very good friends, and he did triathlons," Hartley said. "He started giving me some workouts and training tips, and I bought my first bike off of him."

He participated in his first race the summer before his senior year but did not train much or take it too seriously. After a surprising second-place finish, Hartley soon figured out that he could do really well in the sport.

Rick Slawinski, Hartley's coach, became aware

ROSS IS BOSS

Ross Hartley, a third-year OSU student, has been dominating in the triathlon world for the past three years. **View Ross' career and daily schedule on 1A.**

of his talent in January 2009 at the OSU Indoor Triathlon.

"Ross has only been racing triathlon for a couple of years, but he has tremendous potential given his age and time in the sport," Slawinski said. "I look forward to watching Ross race at a higher level across the country and the world."

Slawinski, a certified USA Triathlon Coach, said men don't usually peak in endurance level like triathlons until their late 20s and 30s. At 21, Hartley seems ahead of the curve. But he has had some doubts about his ability to compete at the national level.

In September 2009, Hartley represented the state of Ohio in Mission Viejo, Calif., for the "Best of the U.S.," an annual competition pitting the 50 state champions against each other. Coming into the race, his goal was to finish in the top 10, but he was overwhelmed when he heard about his competitors' accomplishments.

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Turner from 1A Turner's Naismith award

his fourth award of the weekend

Turner bested the three other finalists, Kentucky's John Wall, Syracuse's Wesley Johnson and Kansas' Sherron Collins, to be named college basketball's best player. Turner led the Buckeyes in points, rebounds and assists, despite breaking his back early in the season.

"Winning the Naismith Player of the Year is an

amazing achievement," Turner said. "I'm honored to be recognized for this award. Though this is an individual honor, I'm thrilled to represent my family, my teammates, coaches and the Ohio State University."

The award was the fourth of the weekend for Turner, who received AP Player of the Year and the Oscar Robertson Award Saturday, as well as the Coaches' Association Division I Player of the Year to go along with the Naismith Sunday.

For the season, Turner averaged 20.4 points, 9.2 rebounds and 6.0 assists per contest.

Proposed Q9 Criteria

Factors that OSU considers before admitting someone with a criminal record.

- Nature of offense
 - Actual or threatened violence
 - Misdemeanor or felony
- Mitigating/aggravating circumstances surrounding the offense
- Multiple or repeat offenses/failure to abide by conditions of parole or probation
- Recency of offense
- Evidence of rehabilitation
- Indications of remorse in personal statement or other information
- Feedback from parole officer or others with relevant information
- Feedback from parole officer or others with relevant information
- Indications of potential risk for harm to members of the university community
 - If present, ability to mitigate potential harm by imposing conditions on admission
- Evidence of readiness for the demands of university citizenship
 - Academic/employment and other indicators for successful reintegration into academic community
- Access to resources to support individual

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Felons from 1A

Felons admitted to OSU not monitored differently by university

In 2009, OSU received 91 applications with "yes" answers for Summer and Autumn quarters 2010 combined.

"People ask why we protect felons," Freeman said. "People do dumb things in this world, and some usually good people do some dumb things."

Of course, many more felons could be attending OSU. The university screens only those applicants who acknowledge on their applications that they have been convicted of a felony. The university does not do a criminal record check on applicants, so only those who reveal their records are scrutinized for admission.

The biggest risk for a student who does not reveal a felony on an application is that he or she will be expelled if OSU learns about the lie.

Students have lied, said Andrea Goldblum, director of Student Judicial Affairs and Q9 member. "If exposed, typically their admission is rescinded, since it was based on falsified information."

Most of these felons have records for drug use or drug possession, Douce said. Very few applicants have a record of violent crime.

"We're not admitting anyone who committed a serious felony," she said.

"We do see, though, a range of drugs and alcohol

to manslaughter applications. The manslaughter may deal with self-defense in a domestic abuse or even vehicular situations," Douce said.

Some applicants said they have a felony record when, in fact, they don't. They confused a traffic ticket with a felony crime.

"Some students are just unsure of what constitutes a felony," Freeman said.

Once an application is referred to the committee, it seeks information from several sources. The committee contacts parole officers, police and the court that has jurisdiction over the applicant. The committee does not interview the applicant.

"The committee isn't making an admittance decision," Freeman said.

"It's whether or not they could cause harm on our campus and whether or not they can be a productive part of the university."

The committee has basic criteria for judging an applicant. The members consider the nature of the offense, multiple or repeat offenses, whether there is evidence of rehabilitation and other factors.

In some cases, the committee will admit a felon but impose restrictions. Some, for example, are not allowed to live in the residence halls.

But once a felon is admitted, the university does not monitor that felon's behavior any differently.

However, if the felon gets in some trouble, OSU "will circle around to see what happened in the admissions process," Freeman said.

"I can say a couple have had disciplinary issues," Goldblum said, "though they were minor."

Construction from 1A

I-71 construction

to close entrance ramps

one eastbound lane on 10th Avenue in front of the South Cannon Garage. Traffic leaving the South Cannon Garage must travel eastbound, using 10th Avenue to Westpark Street, according to the OSU's Transportation and Road news alert.

In addition to the parking construction near the medical center, slated interstate construction will also affect some commuters.

Construction will reduce the section of Interstate 71 over Second Avenue to two lanes for three weeks starting April 11.

Three weeks later, it will be restricted to three lanes for three weeks.

The project will close the entrance ramps to

I-71 South at Fifth and 11th avenues by April 9. It will close the entrance ramps to I-71 North at Broad and Long Streets by April 10, said Nancy Burton, spokeswoman for the Ohio Department of Transportation.

The \$783,000 construction project aims to replace the abutment, or end wall, of the I-71 bridge over Second Avenue, Burton said.

"We want to get the information out to inform people that they might have to allow for extra time or that there are alternate routes to get around the work zone," Burton said.

The detour will take southbound traffic from 17th Avenue to I-71 South or Summit Street to I-670 East to I-71 South. It will take northbound traffic from Fourth Street to I-670 East to I-71 North, Burton said.

According to the Ohio Department of Transportation Web site, state Route 315, state Route 3, I-670 and Interstate 270 are available alternate routes.

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Did Union design protesters have room to complain?

When the \$118 million Ohio Union swung open its doors last week, it drew thousands of students, including a group of protesters who opposed building's design — but some say that the architecture building is an eyesore itself

Not everyone was excited about the opening of the new Ohio Union. While some anxiously awaited the grand opening so they could see the inside of the university's \$118 million investment, others protested. Among the protesters was a small group of architecture students who said the design of the building does not fit in with the rest of campus.

This is funny because that is exactly what I have always thought about Knowlton Hall, the architecture building. Amid the many buildings on campus — some beautiful, some merely functional, some neither — stands Knowlton, a colossal ice cube sprawled out down Woodruff Avenue.

The building is a real-life House of Escher, with secret passageways, trap doors and hidden ramps. And that is before even walking inside.

One of the protesters said the Union's design should have been more progressive, citing Knowlton as an example, which might be the best argument against progressive architecture.

I understand that the campus architecture building should be more than a brick-and-mortar Cracker Jack box, but one such building on campus is enough.



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Admittedly, I am not an architectural expert, but neither are the vast majority of people who come to Ohio State, either as students or visitors. Many of them probably think Knowlton sticks out like a vegan at a barbecue.

Some of the university's most beautiful buildings are also the oldest. The unique design of Orton Hall and the old-fashioned-yet-clean look of University Hall are a couple of the finest structures on campus. They are still usable, but at the same time provide a window to OSU's past.

Even Ohio Stadium, despite being renovated numerous times, has kept its traditional appearance. I cannot imagine the public

outrage if the stadium hadn't maintained at least elements of its original look. When the day finally comes to build a new football stadium — hopefully not for a long, long time — there undoubtedly will be a large group of people who will want it to look identical to the current one.

Obviously, people want buildings to have a distinctive look and flavor, but they also tend to cherish the past, especially at a respectable institution like OSU.

This creates a fine line in architecture. As more information and knowledge surfaces about architecture, the designs and building techniques obviously need to adjust. But this should be done while keeping in mind the history and tradition of the area.

I am not saying that every new building on campus should be an Amish farmhouse. They should not have the plumbing of Denney, the air-conditioning of Huges or the potential health risks of Hitchcock. However, as more and more buildings are torn down and replaced, we must never forget the great architectural history at OSU.



Protesters gathered at the opening of the Ohio Union on Monday, March 29. Some of the protesters were architecture students who say the building's design is not progressive.

ANDY GOTTESMAN / Lantern photographer

Comment about the Union's design at thelantern.com

College students should be learning thrift, not excess

Saturday, I was at Mattress Firm in Columbus looking for a new bed. Sadly, the air mattress I have slept on for the past year after moving out of the dorms has finally seen its last days.

There were several things that I learned while at Mattress Firm: First, if you are the store's only customer all day, you have a lot more leverage for negotiation; second, if I had been there on Friday instead, I could have bought my mattress from former Buckeye running back Maurice Wells, who apparently is doing very well as a salesman.

And third, but most interesting, I'm not the only person who thinks college students spend too much money on stupid things.

Over the past year I have watched as countless students all over the country protest tuition increases. Most prominently seen in the University of California system, students claim that they can't afford tuition increases and that education should be more accessible.

With a probable tuition increase coming this summer at Ohio State, I started wondering how our students would react. Undoubtedly some people will be upset, and some deservedly so, but most will not get any sympathy from me.

According to a study by Harvard University, college students in the



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U.S. spend more than \$5.5 billion on alcohol each year. A second study by Stonehill College in Massachusetts reported that the average college student spends \$900 a year on alcohol. When compared to the average amount spent on books, \$450, it seems as if the old adage really does apply: are students going to school to study or to party?

Because I know that trying to advise college students to drink less alcohol is a moot point, what else do college students spend ridiculous amounts of money on?

Video games. I have seen people buy new games or consoles more often than I buy shampoo or deodorant. They simply can't stand not to have the newest PlayStation or the latest Final Fantasy game even two days after its release.

More than one of those friends would say to me, "Aren't I entitled to have some fun?"

Well, that's exactly my point. We live in an age of entitlement. College students expect to have every new toy and take out every line of credit in order to get that toy. That series of events only leads to one thing: working your butts off after college to pay off the loans that went to an Xbox or a couple hundred bottles of Parrot Bay, while not really being able to afford to enjoy anything else.

That seems backwards to me. Shouldn't it be during college that we struggle, enjoy the simpler things in life and get a real education so that when we graduate we can start to build up our "real lives" and then enjoy the \$20 glass of champagne or the 52-inch flat-screen?

The way that I see a lot of people living in college begs the question, "What's left?" If you have the 52-inch flat-screen TV now, what is going to keep you satisfied in five years?



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Students complain about rising tuition, but many spend big bucks on gaming systems like the PlayStation 3, which costs at least \$300.

So, in May, when the Board of Trustees passes the tuition increase, I hope OSU students are smarter than their national counterparts and realize that tuition fees and textbook costs are not the things to be cheated, but instead realize that they should cut back on their alcohol and entertainment budgets, ensuring us all a better outlook for the next stage of life.

3D means big bucks in Hollywood, fewer bucks at home

While moviemakers follow up on the success of movies like 'Avatar,' moviegoers are left to foot higher ticket prices

Three-D has gotten out of control.

In December 2009, James Cameron's "Avatar" roared into theaters, astonishing audiences with ground-breaking 3-D special effects. A few months later, it seems Hollywood has gotten out of control with the craze. Sitting through the previews of "Alice in Wonderland," I couldn't help but notice all the trailers for the next generation of 3-D movies: "Legend of the Guardians," "Clash of the Titans," and "Step Up 3-D."

Even director Jeff Tremaine plans on releasing "Jackass 3-D" later this year.

It's no wonder Hollywood is chomping at the bit to get everything in 3-D. With new 3-D televisions ready to be shipped out and new special effects in the works, the demand for 3-D movies has skyrocketed. Millions of people worldwide have become fascinated with the optical illusion that brings film to life.

With the popularity of 3-D films such as "Avatar" and "Alice in Wonderland" capturing audiences and grossing more than \$2 billion, many movie

theaters have taken the opportunity to cash in on the 3-D cow at the expense of the moviegoer. Recently, movie ticket prices took a dramatic increase. According to CBS news, 3-D ticket prices increased by 26 percent and IMAX 3-D tickets increased to a grotesque \$20. Standard ticket prices also increased by nearly 5 percent.

As an avid moviegoer, I am disgusted by the increase in ticket prices. In a struggling economy, many families cannot afford to pay for expensive movie tickets, let alone overpriced concession food and drinks. In a time when entertainment is desperately required as a form of escape, Hollywood has stooped to an all-time low by raising ticket costs to an all-time high.

From a capitalist's perspective, this strategic increase is brilliant. However, what Hollywood fails to realize is that by raising ticket prices in an economy that has yet to recover, the industry risks losing its audience. The increase also discourages people from seeing a movie multiple times and prevents larger families from stepping into theaters at all,

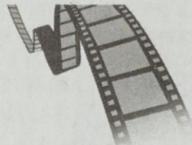


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effectively losing more potential profit.

It doesn't take an economics major to realize that Hollywood could actually make more money by being less greedy. Reasonable ticket prices would allow people to see movies more often while outrageously prices will encourage more families to stay at home and rent a movie. Sometimes, Hollywood, being less greedy could earn you more money.



Reeling in the money

"Avatar" is now the top-grossing film worldwide but trails in the U.S. and when ticket prices are adjusted for inflation. Box office gross, in millions:

Top movies worldwide		Top movies in U.S.		Top movies in 2010 ticket prices	
Avatar	\$1,843.7	Titanic	\$600.8	Gone with the Wind	\$1,485.0
Titanic	\$1,843.2	Avatar	\$551.7	Star Wars	\$1,309.2
Lord of the Rings: Return of the King	\$1,119.1	The Dark Knight	\$533.3	Sound of Music	\$1,046.8
Pirates ... Dead Man's Chest	\$1,001.9	Star Wars	\$461.0	ET: The Extra-Terrestrial	\$1,042.7
The Dark Knight	\$1,066.2	Shrek Two	\$441.2	Ten Commandments	\$943.3
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone	\$974.7	ET: The Extra-Terrestrial	\$435.1	Titanic	\$962.9
Pirates ... At the World's End	\$961.0	Star Wars: Episode One	\$435.1	Jaws	\$941.4
Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix	\$938.2	Pirates ... Dead Man's Chest	\$423.3	The Exorcist	\$812.7
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince	\$934.0	Spider-Man	\$403.7	Doctor Zhivago	\$812.4
Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers	\$925.3	Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen	\$402.1	Snow White ...	\$801.2
				Avatar (No. 26)	\$558.5

Source: Box Office Mojo, Hollywood Reporter

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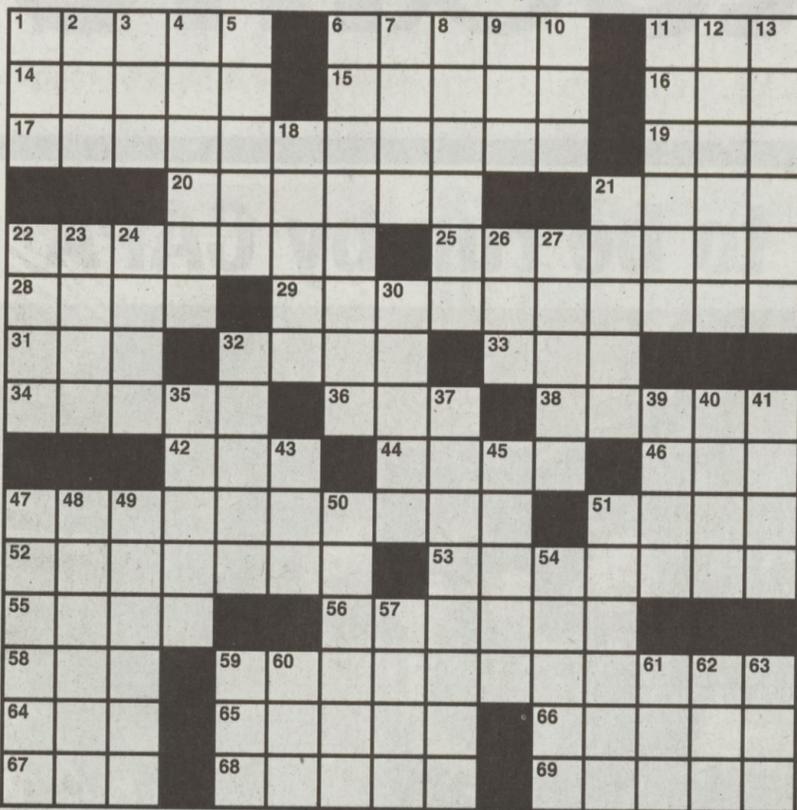
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diversions

Crossword

Los Angeles Times, Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis



ACROSS

- 1 Noun followers, often
- 6 Marinara sauce brand
- 11 Was introduced to
- 14 Tusk material
- 15 "The Ant and the Grasshopper" author
- 16 Lennon's widow
- 17 Hockey attempt that only the goalie is allowed to try to stop
- 19 Eerie
- 20 Ancient Athens foe
- 21 On the ocean
- 22 Windpipe
- 25 Stormy day topper
- 28 ___-Rooter
- 29 Overall perspective
- 31 Punk rock offshoot
- 32 Firefighter's tool
- 33 Hannah Montana's channel, in TV listings
- 34 Buzzing instrument
- 36 Aliens, briefly
- 38 Stretchy synthetic
- 42 Rise and fall
- 44 ___-bitsy
- 46 Trendy
- 47 Crisp cookie
- 51 Five-time A.L. batting champ
- Boggs

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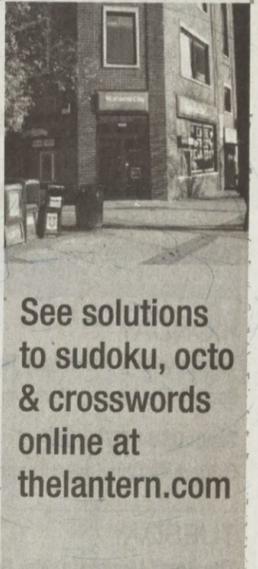
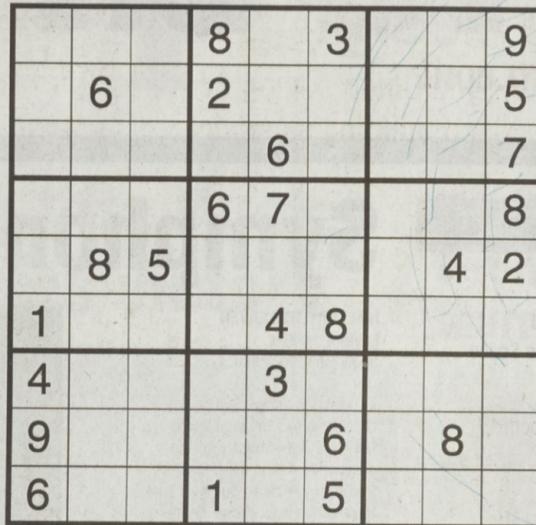
- 15 1955 Platters hit
- 53 Waterproof fabric
- 55 Daybreak
- 56 Become extinct
- 58 Have a balance
- 59 Narrow victory, or a feature of 17-, 29- and 47-Across
- 64 "That ___ close!"
- 65 Like some barrels
- 66 Gymnast Comaneci
- 67 Manhattan-based paper: Abbr.
- 68 Feather
- 69 Involuntary contraction

ACROSS

- 21 Nervous
- 22 Wearing journey
- 23 Italia's capital
- 24 From ___ completely
- 26 Lend a hand
- 27 How a persona non grata might be greeted
- 30 Arrive
- 32 Balderdash
- 35 Delivery doc
- 37 Beginning phase
- 39 Online dialogue
- 40 Perform in a rodeo, e.g.
- 41 High point
- 43 62-Down sib
- 45 Mad magazine specialty
- 47 Drop
- 48 Kind of
- 49 L.A. Dodgers' division
- 50 Puzzle with number squares
- 51 Moist towelette
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- 62 43-Down sib
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Sudoku

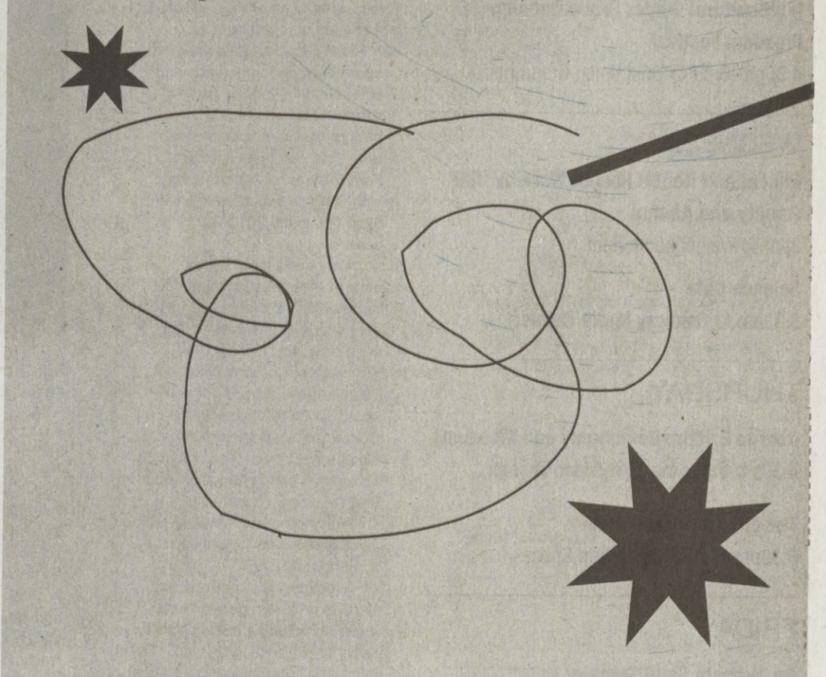
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Doodle-a-day

we started it, so how will you finish it?



Horoscopes

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY Expect the coming year to allow for more imaginative activities. It's possible to go down a side track where you apply faulty logic. More likely, you'll allow for whimsical brainstorming and then sort through ideas to identify what works and what doesn't.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

ARIES March 21 - April 19
Today is a 8 -- Group interactions prove profitable when you state your feelings early and then sit back and listen. Body language speaks volumes. Pay attention.

TAURUS April 20 - May 20
Today is a 6 -- You find yourself in the comfort zone today. Advertisements suggest clever ways to turn ideas into cash.

GEMINI May 21 - June 21
Today is a 6 -- The stars align for people you haven't seen for a long time. Share their joy, and bring a memento home with you. Leave them with your blessings.

CANCER June 22 - July 22
Today is a 6 -- A close friend or partner does exactly the right thing to make you comfortable. Accept help today and be thankful. Gather strength and recuperate.

LEO July 23 - Aug. 22
Today is a 7 -- A personal relationship benefits from an active imagination. This is no time to depend on practical measures. Instead, make an extravagant speech or gesture.

VIRGO Aug. 23 - Sept. 22
Today is an 8 -- Magic happens. You're surprised by how willingly everyone comes together to create what you need. Success blossoms.

LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22
Today is an 8 -- Pull out all the stops to inject glamour into an otherwise dull experience. Bring souvenirs and memories for the scrapbook at home.

SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21
Today is a 6 -- Somebody is a bit depressed today. You can help by suggesting a variety of activities to get out of the house and do something physical.

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21
Today is an 8 -- Think carefully before pulling out your wallet. The money's there, but is this really how you want to spend it? Reconsider your priorities.

CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19
Today is an 8 -- Take a break from stress. Walking outdoors could really hit the spot. So would a relaxed meal shared with interesting company.

AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18
Today is an 8 -- Use all of your powers to make yourself look like the person you most want to be. Appearance matters today. Dress for success.

PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20
Today is a 6 -- Get up early if you have to in order to meditate in solitude. You need the balance this brings, as today is filled with interesting people and possibilities.

Brewster Rokit: Space Guy!

by Tim Rickard



Monday April 5, 2010

The Ohio Union
Archie Griffin Grand Ballroom
10:00 AM-3:00 PM
Tuesday, April 13th

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GIRL'S & BOY'S SIZES: S, M, L, XL

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Men/Boys: jeans and a tee with woven boxers

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All male information should be sent to: malefitmodels@abercrombie.com

upcoming

MONDAY

The xx with jj and Nosaj Thing
9pm @ The Wexner Performance Space

TangoOSU BOOTCAMP
6:30pm @ Ohio Union Dance Room 1

TUESDAY

The Banff Mountain Film Festival
7pm @ The Wexner Film/Video Theater

Multicultural Center Grand Opening Freedom Festival
4:30pm-6:30 @ Ohio Union Grand Hall

WEDNESDAY

Recent and Not So Recent Work by OSU Faculty and Alumni
8pm @ Weigel Auditorium

Science Cafe
6:30pm @ Gateway Movie Theater

THURSDAY

George E. Hein: Democracy and Museums
4:30pm @ Wexner Film/Video Theater

The English Reformation
6:30pm @ OSU Urban Arts Space

FRIDAY

An Augusta Read Sampler
8pm @ Weigel Auditorium

Daughtry
7:30pm @ Schottenstein Center

Symphony to be run by CAPA

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The Columbus Symphony Orchestra has entered into a five-year agreement with the Columbus Association for the Performing Arts to outsource its back office operations. Starting Monday, CAPA will manage the symphony's finance, IT, accounting, ticketing and human resources functions as well as marketing and promotions.

CAPA, a nonprofit owner and operator of performing arts and entertainment venues, lists "to support local arts organizations through partnership and collaboration" as part of its mission. For the symphony, partnering with CAPA is expected to save \$750,000 in the 2010-2011 season.

"We have a lot of experience in these relationships, but the CSO is a large operation, which is what makes this such a big event," said Chad Whittington, Controller of CAPA. The company provides similar administrative services to the Contemporary American Theatre Company, Phoenix Theatre for Children, Franklin Park Conservatory and the Lincoln Theatre.

Whittington said he believes the general economy is what led the symphony to CAPA.

"Not just the symphony but the arts groups in general have been impacted by the economic downturn," Whittington said. "Ticket sales and contributions are critical to the symphony. When times get tough, people have to cut back on expenses."

"In the short-term, we are looking to help stabilize the CSO's operations," Whittington said.



Symphony Board Chairman Martin Inglis, CAPA President Bill Conner, symphony President Roland Valliere and CAPA Board Chairman Michael Petrecca meet in the Capitol Theatre.

This is the latest in a series of moves the symphony is making to become more sustainable. Earlier this month, the symphony's musicians voluntarily voted to accept a 23 percent pay cut for the 2010-2011 season. This pay cut will save an additional \$1 million.

In announcing the restructured agreement, symphony CEO Roland Valliere commended the musicians for "making sacrifices that will allow them to continue to provide high quality symphonic music to the community."

The symphony announced in March the shortening of the season from 38 weeks to 25. In addition, the symphony plans to eliminate five weeks of contracted services, three

weeks of paid vacation for musicians and five weeks of other concerts.

With these changes, the 2010-2011 budget will be reduced to \$7 million from an earlier projected \$8.75 million.

"The CSO has been operating on a very thin staff, so CAPA is hoping to help them build or improve their operations," Whittington said.

The symphony will not be making any large changes for the rest of 2010, Whittington said.

"We want to make sure we know the best way to move forward before making any big changes," Whittington said.

To help support the partnership, the symphony will make Bill Conner,

president and CEO of CAPA, the volunteer managing director and CEO of the symphony. Roland Valliere will remain symphony president and will add the title of chief creative officer.

Changes to the rest of the symphony staff will occur four to six months from now, but it isn't clear what they will be, Whittington said.

According to CAPA, the changes to the symphony will be operational, and programming will remain the same.

"Our main focus," Whittington said, "is to find the most sustainable way to cut expenses and provide live quality classical music to the Columbus community over the long term."

"Shame, Shame" Dr. Dog



Dr. Dog disc does alright

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The new album from Philadelphia retro-pop outfit Dr. Dog finds the band adjusting its instrumental approach once again, although less successfully than with 2008's "Fate."

The band said that it hoped to liven up the music on "Shame, Shame" to better mirror the group's live performances. Part of this plan seemed to involve featuring more electric guitars than the band's more heavily acoustic previous releases. This aspect is effective, as the electric guitar helps to at least make the music louder, and the solo at the end of "Where'd All The Time Go?" is a nice crescendo.

However, the rest of the instrumentation takes a hit. "Fate" was full of interesting percussion and a variety of interesting instruments, but "Shame, Shame" leans heavily on the guitar and vocal harmonies in an attempt to live up to "Fate."

The songwriting is up to Dr. Dog's fine standards, and the album seems to count down to the best songs. While the first single, "Shadow People," is a fun foot-tapping number, the best tracks are the album's closers, "Jackie Wants a Black Eye" and the title track "Shame, Shame."

"Shame, Shame" might not be a step forward, but it is certainly not a step backward.

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Brass blares during music festival

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The Central Ohio Brass Band hosted the fourth annual Ohio Brass Arts Festival. The event took place on Friday and Saturday in the auditorium at Weigel Hall.

Patrick Herak, 36, a performer in three of the groups Saturday, said the festival helped musicians make new contacts and friends and experience interesting works from similar bands. Also, performers got to share their music with people who have a similar enthusiasm for brass band music.

"We get to play for an appreciative and educated audience," Herak said. "It's one thing to play fluffy music because that's what people like to hear in the summertime, but when you know you're going to have a brass band audience, you can play more serious music."

Groups participating in the festival included The Seymour Tower Brass, Chapel Brass, Brass Band of Columbus, Central Ohio Brass Band and a visiting group from the United Kingdom, St. Helen's Youth Brass Band.

The most advertised feature of the festival was the youth band, a group with about 50 members who are between 12 and 19 years old. The young musicians performed music with talent that was praised by the veterans at the festival.

Songs switched from marches to show tunes, such as "Maria" from the musical "West Side Story," music by Leonard Bernstein. Pop music was also played. Michael Jackson's "Thriller" was one of the first songs performed on Saturday. Another style was hymns. These songs were common and appropriately addressed because of Easter Sunday the following day.

The bands ordered themselves and sat on chairs on



TOP: Keith Wilkinson conducts the Chapel Brass Band. BOTTOM: The St. Helen's Youth Brass Band plays on Saturday.

stage in the auditorium. Some of the bands were large enough for the musicians to cover the entire stage, and other bands only had enough members to use the first row of chairs.

Directors of each band talked about the history of their groups and certain performance pieces.

After a group's performance,

the musicians stood for a final applause. Then, many joined the audience, waiting for the next performers.

George Zonders, 45, a musician in the Brass Band of Columbus, said brass bands are much more popular in Europe and Australia, but there is a following in the U.S.

"There were two main organizations which kept brass banding alive here in the U.S.," Zonders said. "One of them is the Salvation Army ... and the other, believe it or not, is the Ohio State University Marching Band."

results

FRIDAY

Men's Tennis 6, Iowa 1
 Women's Tennis 7, Minnesota 0
 Baseball 11, Northwestern 1
 Softball 7, Butler 5

Men's Gymnastics: Big Ten Championships
 4th place out of 11

Men's Volleyball 3, Quincy 0

SATURDAY

Northwestern 8, Baseball 2
 Loyola 11, Men's Lacrosse 9
 Men's Volleyball 3, Quincy 0

SUNDAY

Iowa 6, Women's Tennis 1
 Men's Tennis 7, Minnesota 0
 Baseball 11, Northwestern 6

upcoming

MONDAY

Women's Lacrosse v. Canisius
 12pm @ Buffalo, N.Y.

WEDNESDAY

Softball v. Purdue
 3pm @ West Lafayette, Ind.
 Men's Tennis v. Notre Dame
 4pm @ South Bend, Ind.

Softball v. Purdue
 5pm @ OSU

Baseball v. Xavier
 6:30pm @ OSU

Men's Track and Field: Sea Ray Relay
 TBA @ Knoxville, Tenn.

THURSDAY

Men's Track and Field: Sea Ray Relay
 TBA @ Knoxville, Tenn.

FRIDAY

Men's Tennis v. Michigan State
 2pm @ OSU

Men's Tennis v. Toledo
 6:30pm @ OSU

Baseball v. Indiana
 6:30pm @ OSU

Men's Volleyball v. Loyola-Chicago
 7pm @ OSU

SATURDAY

Women's Tennis v. Michigan State
 11am @ East Lansing, Mich.

Men's Track and Field: The Dual
 11am @ OSU

Men's Lacrosse v. Hobart
 12pm @ Geneva, N.Y.

Women's Lacrosse v. Vanderbilt
 1pm @ Nashville, Tenn.

Baseball v. Indiana
 1pm @ OSU

Softball v. Illinois
 3pm @ Champaign, Ill.

Women's Gymnastics: NCAA Regionals
 6pm @ University Park, Pa.

Men's Volleyball v. Lewis
 7pm @ OSU

Men's Golf: Robert Kepler Intercollegiate
 TBA @ OSU

Steady hitting lifts Bucks to Big Ten series victory

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Entering Sunday's game against the Northwestern Wildcats, the Ohio State Buckeyes held the best-team batting average in the Big Ten at .340.

After splitting the first two games of a three-game series at Northwestern, the Buckeyes' hitters lifted the team as they won the series with an 11-6 win on Sunday.

The Buckeyes (16-8, 2-1) trailed the Wildcats 4-3 in the fifth inning when catcher Dan Burkhart hit a three-run triple off Northwestern pitcher Matt Gailey.

Ohio State added two more runs in the sixth and another two runs in the seventh after first baseman Ryan Dew's two-run home run.

Every Ohio State offensive starter recorded a hit in Sunday's win, including two hits and four RBIs from left fielder Zach Hurley.

Pitcher Dean Wolosiansky struggled through five



MACKENZIE MCCLUER / The Daily Northwestern
 OSU catcher Dan Burkhart tags a runner out.

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Everything that is wrong about NCAA tourney expansion



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In all likelihood, the NCAA Tournament will expand to a field of 96 teams, possibly as soon as next March. NCAA head honchos convened Thursday to sketch the blueprint that would fuse the NCAA Tournament field with the current NIT field to form one watered-down, bracket-bursting mega-tournament. I'm fairly confident that this is how that meeting went down:

Bigwig No. 1: "We have two college sports that the majority of Americans care about: football and basketball. With the economy in a downward spiral, we need to make sure we are making the most out of the demand for these two products."

Bigwig No. 2: "And with the perfection that is the BCS, there is nothing more we can do with football. So let's turn our attention to the basketball postseason."

Bigwig No. 3 (the only sane, non-airhead in the room): "Wait, what's wrong with the NCAA Tournament? Hasn't this year's tournament been one of the greatest of all time?"

Bigwig No. 1: "That's not the point. We can haul in more revenue than we currently are. After all, CBS is only paying us \$6 billion for the TV rights."

Bigwig No. 2: "You know what they say, 'If it ain't broke, you should still try to fix it.'"

Bigwig No. 3: "That's definitely not the saying."

Bigwig No. 1: "96 teams it is!"

In economics courses, professors preach that everyone's main goal is profit maximization. The NCAA is clearly following this model. But the NCAA must have skipped class one day, because profit maximization via expansion will only lead to a decrease in interest and demand. You don't have to be Ben Bernanke to realize the potential harm being done to college sports' postseason gem. Here are five reasons why expansion will ruin college basketball. Unfortunately, in the minds of the NCAA decision makers, money trumps all of them.

Just like a community college, we let everyone in
 Minnesota snuck into the tournament with a 21-13 overall record, 9-9 in Big Ten play. Florida snatched a 10-seed with 12 losses and a 9-7 mark in the weak SEC. Yet, these teams would actually be favorites in their first round contests of an NCAA Tournament that featured 96 teams. That's like Kool-Aid without sugar. No one wants to see America's prized postseason watered down that much.

We won... Now what?

The new format for allotting bids would grant a ticket to each conference's regular-season and conference-season champions. So, if Duke wins the ACC regular-season title, then how does Coach K's squad approach the conference tournament? With a tournament bid in hand, the only prize left to play for is pride. Each league's regular-season champ would be well-advised to rest its starters during the conference tournament, which would just be, well, awkward.

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Evan Turner took home an array of awards over the weekend, including AP Player of the Year.

Award central: Turner also takes home AP's top honor

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After Ohio State was ousted in the NCAA Tournament's Sweet 16, junior Evan Turner's dream of hoisting a National Championship trophy this weekend fell by the wayside.

However, the Buckeye point guard was in Indianapolis accepting a different trophy.

He was named the AP's Player of the Year Friday, receiving 54 of the 65 votes, and is OSU's first recipient of the award since Gary Braddis in 1964. Turner led the Buckeyes in nearly every statistical category this season, and averaged 20.3 points, 9.2 rebounds and 5.9 assists.

Turner's John Wall finished second with nine votes, and West Virginia's Da'Sean Butler and Notre Dame's Luke Harangody each received one vote.

Evan Turner sweeps AP Player of the Year voting

Evan Turner Ohio State	54
John Wall Kentucky	9
Da'Sean Butler West Virginia	1
Luke Harangody Notre Dame	1

The award could be the first of several for Turner, not the least of which may come tonight when the Naismith National Player of the Year is announced.

Blue Jackets fail to tame East's beast

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Coming off a disappointing loss to division foe Detroit on Thursday, the Columbus Blue Jackets played host to the NHL's best on Saturday night when the Washington Capitals came to town.

After 60 minutes of hard-nosed hockey in which the Blue Jackets outshot the Capitals 36-27, Columbus failed to deliver on a crucial 5-on-3 power play late in the game, resulting in a 3-2 defeat.

"The disappointing thing is I thought that we played well enough to win the game," Jackets interim coach Claude Noel said.

The Jackets came out strong in the first period, controlling the play for the first five minutes.

The tide turned, however, after Capitals' winger Alexander Semin ripped a slap shot from the high

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NCAA Championship Tonight 9 p.m.

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Butler Vs. Duke

33-4	Record	34-5
69.0	Points	77.4
59.4	Points allowed	61.0
25	Current win streak	9

Previewing the 2010 MLB season: American League

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AL EAST

New York Yankees
103-59 last season



Key Additions: CF Curtis Granderson, SP Javier Vazquez, DH Nick Johnson

Key Losses: OF Melky Cabrera, OF Johnny Damon, OF Hideki Matsui

Expectations: Somehow, the World Series champs got even better. They added a 30-30 threat in Granderson, a solid starter in Vazquez and one of baseball's most patient, consistent hitters with the return of Nick Johnson. Assuming the Yanks stay healthy, there's no reason not to pencil them into the postseason.

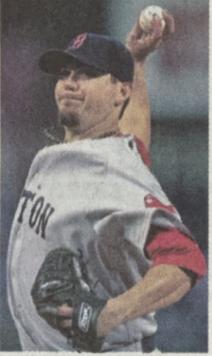
Boston Red Sox
95-67 last season



Key Additions: SP John Lackey, 3B Adrian Beltre, OF Mike Cameron, OF Jeremy Hermida

Key Losses: OF Jason Bay

Expectations: Last time we checked, most teams still used a five-man pitching rotation. But with Josh Beckett, John Lackey, Jon Lester, Daisuke Matsuzaka, Tim Wakefield and Clay Buchholz, the Sox can't really go wrong with any of their six studs. The offense could be the club's weak link, with David Ortiz, Mike Cameron, Jason Varitek, Adrian Beltre and Mike Lowell all on the downside of their careers.



Tampa Bay Rays
84-78 last season



Key Additions: CP Rafael Soriano

Key Losses: None

Expectations: Another World Series run? Probably not, but the Rays are poised for another winning season. David Price and Wade Davis give the rotation an immense amount of young talent and the lineup is balanced with speed and power. Unless Price makes a giant leap in '10, the Rays will probably lack a true No. 1 starter, which could be the deciding factor when competing with twin titans New York and Boston.

Baltimore Orioles
64-98 last season



Key Additions: SP Kevin Millwood, IF Garrett Atkins, RP Mike Gonzalez, 3B Miguel Tejada

Key Losses: None

Expectations: Young pitching talent should be arriving in Baltimore shortly after center fielder Adam Jones and catcher Matt Wieters burst onto the scene in '09. The O's are still a couple of years away from contending, but are on the right track. This year's rotation could be very shaky.

Toronto Blue Jays
75-87 last season



Key Additions: SP Brandon Morrow, RP Kevin Gregg

Key Losses: SP Roy Halladay

Expectations: There have been two constants with Toronto baseball over the last several years: Roy Halladay and losing. The Jays haven't sniffed the postseason since 1993, and this season won't be any different. Halladay will sport Phillies red and the Rogers Centre will play host to one of the league's worst teams in 2010.



AL CENTRAL

Chicago White Sox
79-83 last season

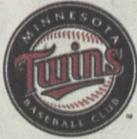


Key Additions: OF Andruw Jones, RP J.J. Putz, OF Juan Pierre, IF Omar Vizquel

Key Losses: OF Scott Podsednik, RP Octavio Dotel

Expectations: The Sox have the pieces to make a deep playoff run, but their success hinges on a crop of unreliable parts. Ozzie Guillen's bunch will be counting on Andruw Jones to return to his Atlanta form, J.J. Putz to provide insurance for closer Bobby Jenks, Alex Rios and Carlos Quentin to regain their strokes and Jake Peavy to stay healthy. That's a lot to ask for, but if it happens, Chicago is the team to beat in the Central.

Minnesota Twins
87-76 last season



Key Additions: SS J.J. Hardy, 2B Orlando Hudson

Key Losses: CP Joe Nathan (elbow surgery)

Expectations: The American League's darlings before closer Joe Nathan went under the knife with Tommy John surgery, the Twins will open up brand new Target Field with a payroll pushing \$90 million. With Orlando Hudson and J.J. Hardy shoring up the middle of an infield that already contains superstars Justin Morneau and Joe Mauer, offense won't be hard to come by in 'Sota. With the loss of Nathan, however, pitching could be another story.

Detroit Tigers
86-77 last season



Key Additions: RP Jose Valverde, SP Max Scherzer, OF Austin Jackson

Key Losses: CF Curtis Granderson, IF Aubrey Huff, RP Brandon Lyon, SP Edwin Jackson, 2B Placido Polanco

Expectations: Miguel Cabrera and Magglio Ordonez are a lethal tandem, but so are Miguel Cabrera and Jose Cuervo. If Detroit's slugger is past his alcohol issues, there's no doubt Cabrera can post MVP-caliber numbers. But with the losses of Granderson and Polanco, untested Austin Jackson and Scott Sizemore will be asked to contribute to a roster that could win the division or finish in last.

Cleveland Indians
65-97 last season



Key Additions: 1B Russell Branyan

Key Losses: C Kelly Shoppach, IF Jamey Carroll

Expectations: The rebuilding Tribe will incorporate a plethora of youngsters into the lineup and rotation, but little can be expected from a team that dealt Cliff Lee and Victor Martinez in July and refused to toss money at free agents during the offseason. Hey, at least it's 'impossible' for Cleveland to trade away a Cy Young winner this summer.



Kansas City Royals
65-97 last season



Key Additions: OF Rick Ankiel, OF Scott Podsednik, C Jason Kendall

Key Losses: CF Coco Crisp, IF Mark Teahen

Expectations: Another year, another miserable season for the Royals on tap. The American League's version of the Pittsburgh Pirates, Kansas City should get another solid campaign from reigning Cy Young winner Zack Greinke. However, there's little else to get excited about with this club. Perhaps third baseman Alex Gordon will finally realize his potential in the middle of the order.



AL WEST

Los Angeles Angels
97-65 last season



Key Additions: OF Hideki Matsui

Key Losses: 3B Chone Figgins, SP John Lackey, OF Vladimir Guerrero

Expectations: The Angels lost a trio of players that have helped the franchise to five division titles in the last six years. Still, Kendry Morales, Juan Rivera, Torii Hunter and Mike Napoli all hit at least 20 home runs last year, and Bobby Abreu drove in 103 runs. Anaheim's offense and depth should be the reasons the Angels take home another AL West crown.

Seattle Mariners
85-77 last season



Key Additions: 3B Chone Figgins, SP Cliff Lee, OF Milton Bradley, OF Eric Byrnes, 1B Casey Kotchman

Key Losses: None

Expectations: Felix Hernandez and Cliff Lee will form a fearsome duo atop the rotation, but Seattle's lineup still lacks punch (insert joke here about the addition of Milton Bradley). If the Mariners can get by winning games 2-1 and 3-2, then they will push L.A. for division supremacy.

Texas Rangers
87-75 last season



Key Additions: SP Rich Harden

Key Losses: None

Expectations: The Rangers have always been able to score runs, and now they might boast the best bullpen in baseball, with Frank Francisco, C.J. Wilson, Neftali Perez, Darren Oliver and Darren O'Day all capable of putting up zeroes. They'll all have to be brilliant, though, as the Rangers' rotation could be shaky. Not to mention, who knows what manager Ron Washington will fess up to next?

Oakland Athletics
75-87 last season



Key Additions: SP Ben Sheets, OF Coco Crisp

Key Losses: None

Expectations: Moneyball has gone broke in Oakland. The A's lack zest in both the lineup and pitching staff, and it's hard to see them not finishing in the West's basement. Jack Cust should continue to be the team's only power source, but that comes with the price of a .240 average. A solid bullpen could be offset by a lack of experience in the rotation.

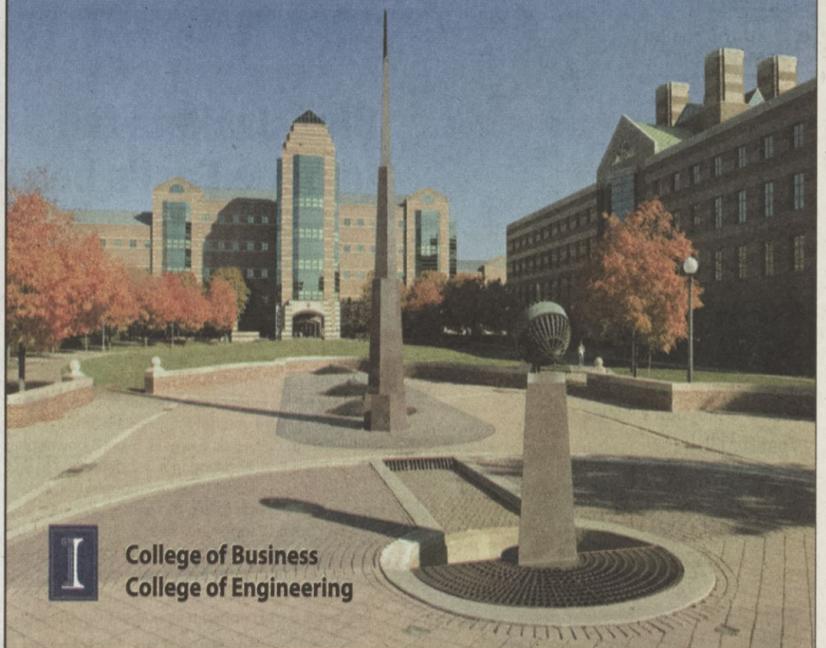
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Hitting from 1B Buckeyes

welcome Xavier to Columbus for a Wednesday contest

innings, allowing four runs and five hits, but recorded five strikeouts in the process.

The Buckeyes took a 3-0 lead in the second inning, as shortstop Tyler Engle and Hurley each had RBI base hits.

The win capped off the first series of the 2010 Big Ten baseball season for Ohio State. OSU won the first game in Evanston 11-1 behind a dominant performance from pitcher Alex Wimmers, who allowed one run and six hits in seven innings.

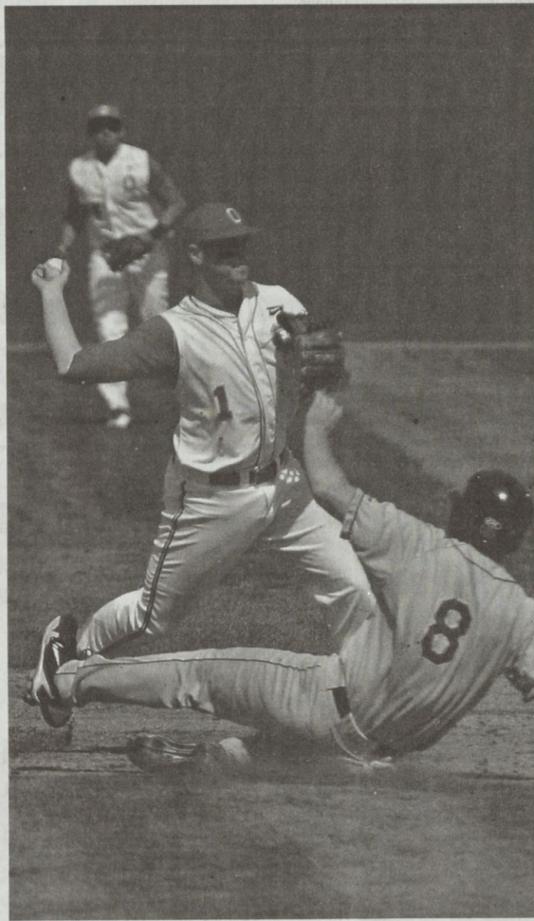
The Buckeyes scored four runs in the first inning, including a home run by Hurley in the first at-bat of the game, and a Dew two-run triple.

Third baseman Cory Rupert had four hits in the win, and right fielder Brian DeLucia and Dew each had 3 RBIs.

The second game of the series belonged to Northwestern, who defeated Ohio State 8-2.

Northwestern pitcher Eric Jokisch gave up two runs in the first inning, but shut down the Buckeyes for the rest of the game, going eight innings and allowing only eight hits.

Ohio State returns home Wednesday to play at Bill Davis Stadium against the Xavier Musketeers at 6:35 p.m.



ZACH TUGGLE / Lantern photographer
 Infielder Tyler Engle turns a double play in Ohio State's 4-3 victory over Toledo on March 31 in the Buckeyes' home opener.

Expansion from 1B Brackets will bust

if NCAA Tournament expands

Lowering the standards
 The standard for at-large bid consideration has long been a .500 conference record, at the very least.

The NCAA claims it wants to place more emphasis on regular-season play, but this won't help. With resumes like the ones Minnesota and Florida recently sported, earning them spots in the field, we could now be subject to teams with below-average conference records playing for postseason supremacy. Ladies and gentlemen, with an overall record of 15-14, 6-10 in the SEC, here's your No. 22 seed, Auburn!

Goodbye, Greg Gumbel

Despite how often the network's Top Men opt to air the less-exciting games, nothing compares to March Madness on CBS. From the profoundly overplayed Southwest Airlines commercials to Gus

Johnson's glittery voice, there is no channel that could present the multitude of games in such a fan-focused manner. Part of what makes the tournament so special is the fact that all of the action is contained in one place. Everyone knows when and where to turn for March's excitement. If CBS and the NCAA mutually agree to part ways this summer, it could trigger an arrangement for the NCAA Tournament to be shown on a variety of networks, including cable channels. This unsystematic setup would certainly take away from the uniformity that piques viewers' interest.

The end of the office pool era

The odds of filling out a perfect tournament bracket currently stand at about 1 in 1 trillion. I won't even attempt to determine the chances of guessing correctly on every matchup in a tournament that includes 96 teams, byes and 9-seeds facing 24-seeds. Expect the number of office pools to decrease dramatically. No one wants to exert that kind of effort.

Buckeyes split pair of Big Ten matches

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After winning both matches on its spring-break road trip out west, beating Long Beach State and Rice, the Ohio State women's tennis team returned to Columbus on Friday to host its first outdoor match in nearly two years.

After cracking the Top 25 nationally in the latest rankings, the No. 25 Buckeyes proved that they deserve their new spot, taking down the Minnesota Golden Gophers handily on Friday afternoon 7-0.

"We feel like we belong here but we're really not looking at that ranking," coach Chuck Merzbacher said. "We just have to play."

That's exactly what the Buckeyes did. Despite dropping the first doubles match of the day 8-1, the Buckeyes rebounded, coming away with the final two matches and ultimately the doubles point as well.

Needing to just split the six singles matches with the Gophers, the Buckeyes showed no mercy, taking all six singles matches in exciting fashion. Three of the six matches required three sets to determine a winner.

Leading the way for the Buckeyes was the No. 66-ranked singles player in the country, Kirsten Flower. Riding a six-match winning streak entering

Fridays contest, the OSU senior went down a set early but slowly closed her way back.

"Starting the second set, I knew if I could just get an early jump that things would probably start to swing my way," Flower said.

Although she dropped the first set 7-5, Flower fought hard to take the next two sets 6-4, 6-2 and closed out the 7-0 victory for the women.

"In crucial moments we were able to dig deep and really get those important games that turned the match our way," Merzbacher said. "That happened on like every single court."

Following the big win on Friday the Buckeyes hoped to carry that momentum into another Big Ten scrap against No. 26 Iowa on Sunday afternoon.

Returning to the Stickney Tennis Center for the second time in three days, the Buckeyes struggled to get anything going, falling to the Hawkeyes 6-1.

While OSU freshman Gaby Steele was able to win her team leading 22nd singles match of the year, the remainder of the team failed to muster any more points.

Sunday's loss moves the team to 15-5 overall and 2-2 in the Big Ten with 6 regular season matches remaining.

The women will resume play next weekend when they head north to take on Michigan State Saturday and University of Michigan on Sunday.

Check thelantern.com for photos from this weekend's Grand Prix at the McCorkle Aquatic Pavilion, featuring several United States Olympic swimmers

Men's golf: Buckeyes take second in Irish Creek Collegiate

Team Standings	Scores
1. Charlotte	284-278-280-842 (-10)
2. Ohio State	282-286-285-853 (+1)
3. Kennesaw State	287-283-291-861 (+9)
4. Mercer	281-291-291-863 (+11)
5. Marquette	287-289-292-868 (+16)
6. Toledo	293-284-296-873 (+21)
7. Miami University	294-286-303-883 (+31)
8. Campbell	293-302-292-887 (+35)
9. Francis Marion	298-298-295-891 (+39)
10. Richmond	301-296-299-896 (+44)
11. Davidson	297-296-304-897 (+45)
12. Elon	306-298-899-899 (+47)
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Women's golf: Ohio St. finishes third in Bryan National Collegiate

Team Standings	Scores
1. Florida State	291-288-294-873 (+9)
2. Wake Forest	289-291-294-874 (+10)
T-3. Ohio State	292-300-294-886 (+22)
T-3. Vanderbilt	291-304-291-886 (+22)
T-3. Duke	293-300-293-886 (+22)
T-6. Tennessee	287-305-296-888 (+24)
T-6. North Carolina	301-297-290-888 (+24)
8. LSU	306-295-289-890 (+26)
9. South Carolina	294-302-297-893 (+29)
10. Northwestern	309-298-288-895 (+31)
11. Virginia	304-306-289-899 (+35)
12. Auburn	303-297-300-900 (+36)
13. Arkansas	306-300-297-903 (+39)
14. Louisville	308-298-302-908 (+44)
15. Coll. of Charleston	302-309-303-914 (+50)
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17. N.C. State	316-316-309-941 (+77)
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Previewing the 2010 MLB season: National League

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NL East

Philadelphia Phillies
93-69 last season



Key Additions:
SP Roy Halladay,
3B Placido Polanco

Key Losses: SP Cliff Lee, 3B Pedro Feliz

Expectations: The Phillies are the class of the National League. Roy Halladay could win 20 games and Cole Hamels should rebound from a subpar 2009. The injuries to J.C. Romero, Brad Lidge and Joe Blanton are disconcerting. The NL's best lineup will carry them.

Atlanta Braves
86-76 last season



Key Additions:
CP Billy Wagner, 1B Troy Glaus, OF Melky Cabrera

Key Losses: SP Javier Vasquez, RP Mike Gonzalez, RP Rafael Soriano

Expectations: The most consistent franchise in the NL should make a run at the division title. Graybeards Chipper Jones and Derek Lowe give the team solid veteran leadership. Tommy Hanson looks like the next Tom Seaver and Jason Heyward is a cross between Ken Griffey Jr. and Barry Bonds.

Florida Marlins
87-75 last season



Key Additions: None

Key Losses: CP Matt Lindstrom, OF Jeremy Hermida

Expectations: Josh Johnson and Hanley Ramirez could be the best pitcher and position player in the league this season. The holes in the lineup and pitching staff keep the Marlins from making the playoffs. 2010 could finally be Cameron Maybin's breakout season.

New York Mets
70-92 last season



Key Additions: OF Jason Bay, C Rod Barajas

Key Losses: 1B Carlos Delgado, OF Gary Sheffield

Expectations: The Amazin's can look forward to the return of Jose Reyes and Carlos Beltran, who, combined with an improved David Wright and the infusion of Jason Bay, form a formidable first half of the batting order. The starting rotation and bench depth is deplorable though.

Washington Nationals
59-103 last season



Key Additions:
CP Matt Capps, C Ivan Rodriguez, SP Jason Marquis

Key Losses: None

Expectations: A few years away from contending, the Nats finally have some good pieces to build upon. Stephen Strasburg should be in the rotation within a few months and Ryan Zimmerman will continue to blossom at the hot corner. Look for them to draft phenom Bryce Harper first overall in the June draft.

NL Central

St. Louis Cardinals
91-71 last season



Key Additions: SP Brad Penny

Key Losses: SP Joel Pineiro, 3B/OF Mark DeRosa, OF Rick Ankiel

Expectations: In a competitive but overall mediocre division, the Cardinals stand out. Tony La Russa has another set of Bosh Brothers in Albert Pujols and Matt Holliday. Chris Carpenter and Adam Wainwright are two of the three best pitchers in the NL.

Cincinnati Reds
78-84 last season



Key Additions: SS Orlando Cabrera, SP Aroldis Chapman

Key Losses: SP Edinson Volquez (Tommy John surgery)

Expectations: Baseball's oldest franchise should finish with a winning record for the first time since 2000. They have a good blend of veterans, such as Cabrera and Rolen, and breakout stars Joey Votto, Jay Bruce and Drew Stubbs. Chapman and Volquez could contribute late.

Chicago Cubs
83-78 last season



Key Additions: OF Marlon Byrd, OF Xavier Nady

Key Losses: SP Rich Harden, OF Milton Bradley, RP Kevin Gregg

Expectations: Everything about this team is solid but unspectacular. Ramirez and Soriano should be better. Randy Wells and Carlos Marmol should have breakout years. But the Cubs always manage to screw it up somehow. Look for plenty of Lou Piniella blow-ups.

Milwaukee Brewers
80-82 last season



Key Additions: OF Carlos Gomez, SP Doug Davis, SP Randy Wolf

Key Losses: SS J.J. Hardy, OF Mike Cameron, SP Braden Loper

Expectations: Ryan Braun and Prince Fielder alone give opposing managers nightmares. Per recent Brewer tradition, the pitching is average at best, with the only star being Yovani Gallardo.

Houston Astros
74-88 last season



Key Additions: 3B Pedro Feliz, CP Matt Lindstrom, RP Brandon Lyon

Key Losses: CP Jose Valverde, SS Miguel Tejada

Expectations: There just isn't much to like about the 'Stros. Lance Berkman and Roy Oswalt are starting to show signs of wear and tear. The rotation is putrid after Oswalt and Wandy Rodriguez and the lineup's only formidable hitters are Berkman (when healthy), Carlos Lee and Hunter Pence.

Pittsburgh Pirates
62-99 last season



Key Additions: 2B Akinori Iwamura, RP Octavio Dotel

Key Subtractions: CP Matt Capps

Expectations: They recorded an MLB-low 73 errors last year. However, this team is perennially reliant upon prospects and cast-offs. The upcoming season is no different. Manager John Russell's son, Steel, is a freshman on the OSU baseball team.

NL West

Colorado Rockies
92-70 last season



Key Additions: None

Key Losses: 3B Garret Atkins, SP Jason Marquis

Expectations: The only thing not to like about this team is that closer Huston Street is starting the season on the DL. Otherwise, they can hit with anyone thanks to a lineup chocked full of bashers and dashers. Furthermore, they can actually pitch with anyone in the NL.

San Francisco Giants
88-74 last season



Key Additions: 1B Aubrey Huff, 3B/OF Mark DeRosa

Key Losses: SP Randy Johnson, OF Randy Winn

Expectations: Bruce Bochy's batting order is full of guys that hit for average and put the ball in play, but who are also beer league softball slow. Lucky for Giants fans, watching Tim Lincecum, Matt Cain and Brian Wilson befuddle opposing batters will be a worthy compromise.

Los Angeles Dodgers
95-67 last season



Key Additions: None

Key Losses: SP Randy Wolf, SP Jon Garland, OF Juan Pierre, 2B Orlando Hudson

Expectations: The outfield of Manny Ramirez, Andre Ethier and Matt Kemp will produce bushels of runs, and Clayton Kershaw's strikeout totals will make Dodger fans drool, but something about this team makes me think they're going to drop off this season. Joe Torre will probably prove me wrong though.

Arizona Diamondbacks
72-90 last season



Key Additions: SP Edwin Jackson, SP Ian Kennedy

Key Losses: SP Max Scherzer, SP Doug Davis

Expectations: Too many things have to go right for Arizona to contend. Brandon Webb's shoulder is still mystifying, and the lineup, aside from Justin Upton and Mark Reynolds, looks more like famine than feast. Dan Haren, Jackson and a healthy Webb could keep them in the pennant race until September.

San Diego Padres
75-87 last season



Key Additions: SP Jon Garland

Key Losses: 3B Kevin Kouzmanoff

Expectations: Luckily, San Diego has tremendous weather because it is going to be a long summer for Bud Black's squad. A weak batting order plus an even weaker pitching staff equals disaster. Keep an eye on Kyle Blanks, who looks like he should be playing power forward for Tom Izzo.

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Jackets from 1B

Three games remain

in Blue Jackets' regular season schedule

slot past Blue Jackets' goaltender Mathieu Garon at the 5:54 mark in the first period.

Following a hooking penalty by defenseman Anton Stralman, in which Stralman and former Jacket Jason Chimera plowed into Garon, the Capitals struck again to make it 2-0. Garon was pulled after suffering an eye injury in the collision.

After Steve Mason took over in net for Columbus, the Capitals lit the lamp for the third time in less than eight minutes when defenseman Mike Green fired a shot from the point at the 13:44 mark on a 5-on-3 power play.

"You take a couple penalties, it leads to the 5-on-3, boom and now you're down," Noel said. "Against this team, that is a tough task."

In an early 3-0 hole, the Jackets battled back, answering with a goal of their own just 23 seconds later. Creating a 2-on-1 on the penalty kill, captain Rick Nash feathered a nifty pass to line mate Antoine Vermette, who was able to close the gap to 3-1.

While the second period lacked the offensive outpouring of the first, the Blue Jackets regained momentum by doubling up the Capitals on shots, pumping 14 pucks on net to Washington's seven in the period.

Entering the final period, a boisterous Columbus crowd was rejuvenated just 1:10 into the period as the Jackets were given their own 5-on-3 power play but were unable to capitalize on the golden opportunity.

Vermette and Nash tried to breathe life back into the team, hooking up one more time for Vermette's second goal of the evening with 7:43 remaining. That proved to be the final goal on either side.

"It's frustrating to lose like this at home," Mason said. "We came close there at the end, but at the end of the day, we still came up short."

Noel was still happy with his team's overall performance and resolve. "As far as the game goes, I thought our effort was good. I thought we had a fair amount of chances and I thought that we worked hard, so I was happy from that standpoint," Noel said.

With the Capitals behind them, the Blue Jackets now enter the final week of their season. They face the Blues in St. Louis on Monday night and finish the 2009-10 campaign with two games, a home and an away, against the Detroit Red Wings.

"We obviously would like to close it out with three straight wins, and we can do it," an optimistic Mason said. "It's going to be tough but it will be a good test for us."



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Jackets captain Rick Nash sets his sights on the puck.

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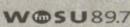
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