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Election officially voided

Senate asserts constitutional authority, removes B. of E.

Senate resolutions

Text of 99-71: "We move that the fall '98 election results are declared void by the authority vested in Article II, section 1, para. 2, last line of the ... constitution."

Text of 99-75: "We move to remove the Board of Elections from office. The Board must present the Association Affairs Committee with any and all documentation received during the Fall '98 election."

► **NO APPROVAL** by the student government president is required for either motion

BY CHAD ENGELLAND

Editor-in-Chief & Publisher

After finding out it had the final constitutional authority over its own election results, Student Senate voted unanimously last Thursday to void the results of the freshman elections and remove the entire Board of Elections.

New elections will be held Nov. 10 and 11, pending approval by the student government president.

This is the third time Senate has voted to void the election results, but the first worded in such a way as to make a presidential veto constitutionally impossible. Senate did not realize it had the power to do so until last week, when alumnus

Michael Dake, a framer of the current constitution, wrote to *The Newswire* and cited the relevant passage.

"When we found out from former Senator Dake we had constitutional power to have the final decision on the results of the election, we decided to act," said Senate Coordinator James Bowling.

"The constitution is a sacred document. It is our law. We swear to uphold that document," said Bowling. "We had to do this for future elections."

Senate criticized the election, held Sept. 29, 30 and Oct. 1, for a



number of code violations, including the omission of two candidates' names from the ballot during the first day of voting.

On Oct. 2 and Oct. 7, President Desirée Demonbreun vetoed the first two Senate motions to void the elections and schedule new ones — vetoes the Senate failed to override.

"That motion to void the results means the election is still going on. The new motion will take us back to where the problem occurred so that we can receive untainted and true results," said Senator Jason

Thomason, who sponsored the motion.

Senate removed the Board of Elections after the Association Affairs committee investigated its handling of the election. An interim Board of Elections, appointed by the Association Affairs committee of Senate, will oversee the new freshman election if Demonbreun accepts the motion.

"They [Board of Elections members] were incompetent. The committee talked to all the candidates. From what they said we felt the [Board of Elections] committee was not doing an adequate job," said Bowling.

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LABOR of LOVE



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY BILL TERRY

Students landscape at North Avondale Elementary School during Community Action Day.

BY JAMIE CURRAN

News Writer

More than 160 Xavier students gave up their Saturday afternoons to participate in Xavier's third annual Community Action Day.

The students volunteered at 21 local agencies, coinciding with national volunteers for Make a Difference Day.

"The day was devoted to service ... and was a complete success," said senior Katie Keller, coordinator of Xavier Action.

Volunteer activities ranged from serving lunch at an Over-the-Rhine soup kitchen to cleaning local school grounds. Other students assembled packages for underprivileged mothers.

"These students were able to share their gifts and skills with a community broader than Xavier," said senior David Tressler, director of Xavier Action.

"Our mission is to involve students with consistent and committed service to these agencies," he said.

Xavier Action acts as a resource, identifying opportunities for individuals to share their gifts with those in need.

Throughout the year, Action has developed relationships with approximately 25 agencies and projects in order to meet volunteer needs.

The agencies are grouped into four categories: education, urban

and crisis, health and development, and the environment.

Action is also coordinating the adoption of two small apartments of the Race Street Tenant Organization, a cooperative housing program in Over-the-Rhine. They also recruit volunteers for RESTOC work every Saturday.

One of the new benefits for Xavier Action this year is the use of Xavier's Shuttle Service.

During the day, shuttles are available to transport students to their volunteer site, eliminating previous transportation problems.

Anyone with questions about or interest in attending a service opportunity with Xavier Action should call 745-4343.

Chabot, Qualls debate at Xavier

BY KARA BENKEN

Managing Editor

Next Tuesday, voters in the 1st District will choose between two politically opposed, yet ideologically similar, candidates for the House of Representatives.

Incumbent Steve Chabot and Cincinnati Mayor Roxanne Qualls met last Thursday at WVXU to debate the issues which define each candidate, ranging from middle class tax cuts to a proposed light-rail system in hopes of improving the city's public transportation.

Moderated by WVXU's news editor, Steve Hirshburg, the debate featured local television news and newspaper reporters, who addressed broad, general questions to both candidates.

The candidates also responded to written questions from the studio audience.

During his opening statement, Chabot stressed the differences between himself and Qualls, particularly in reference to the partial-birth abortion procedure, the role of government and taxes.

Qualls' opening statement spoke of the duty of an official to keep the interests of the district in mind, especially by returning money to that district.

She was most passionate about environmental issues.

One of the topics each candidate

often referred to was the recent, 4,000-page, omnibus spending bill which passed in the House and Senate shortly before Congress recessed.

Chabot crossed party lines to vote against the bill, citing too much "pork," and saying the federal government was "looting money from the surplus ... for grasshopper research in Alaska and peanut quality research in Georgia," money which should be going to the taxpayers, according to Chabot.

Qualls challenged his decision, saying Chabot "engaged in the politics of 'no'."

She noted the importance of passing the bill, citing the provisions for 100,000 new teachers across the country, heating assistance for the elderly and cancer research in the bill.

Another difference between the candidates is general or targeted tax cuts. Qualls approves of targeted tax cuts within the context of a balanced budget agreement.

Chabot, however, prefers across-the-board tax cuts, but recognized political compromising invariably means targeting tax cuts.

Both candidates responded to a question about gay rights' legislation by saying the recent murder of Matthew Shepard in Wyoming was a terrible act, but Qualls said she

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Culture lecture

On Friday, Nov. 6 at 3 p.m., Dr. Pauline Nugent, associate professor at Southwest Missouri State University will speak on "Vir Trilinguis: St. Jerome, Conduit of Classical Culture." Nugent will discuss how St. Jerome became a conduit for Greco-Roman Classics. The speaker is part of the John W. Rettig lecture series. Call Dr. Susan Shapiro at 745-3456, with questions.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to help with the floats for Homecoming 1998. The floats will be built at Best Transfer Company on Este Avenue. Volunteers are needed to work the registration table and serve as representatives for Xavier at various float-building times. Building hours are 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Nov. 15-20. If you can volunteer, call Jody Buelterman at 745-1091.

Poetry reading

The English Department is sponsoring a poetry reading by Catherine Hardy on Monday, Nov. 9 at 3 p.m. in the Hinkle Hall faculty lounge. Hardy is an associate professor of English at the Art Academy of Cincinnati. Her poetry has appeared in "The Georgia State University Review," "Mid-American Review" and "The Journal" among others.

Art exhibits

The Cohen Center art gallery is presenting two exhibitions from now until Nov. 20. The art of Lisa Line and Francis Patnaude Jr. incorporate images of mountains, earth, sky, babies and children to express feelings regarding faith. Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Blood drive

In the spirit of Halloween, the Xavier Village is sponsoring a blood drive on Friday, Oct. 30 from 12-6 p.m. After donating blood, free palm readings will be given. If you would like to sign up in advance, contact Cindy Lowman at 745-4998.

Graduate Fair

Xavier will host the Graduate Programs Fair this Saturday, Oct. 31, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the O'Connor Sports Center. The fair will sponsor 11 colleges and universities. The event is free and is open to the public.

Open Senate seat

Applications are available in the SGA executive offices for students interested in filling the Student Senate vacancy. They are due Friday. Call Desirée Demonbreun, 745-3345, or Liam Randall, 745-4249.



Police Notes



Wednesday, Oct. 21, 3:50 p.m.

A student reported her green pullover jacket from the Gap and an XU All Card was stolen from the lobby of the Sports Center.

Thursday, Oct. 22, 12:40 p.m.

Two men were observed soliciting City Bank credit card applications on the academic mall. The suspects were warned and escorted off campus.

Saturday, Oct. 24, 1:58 a.m.

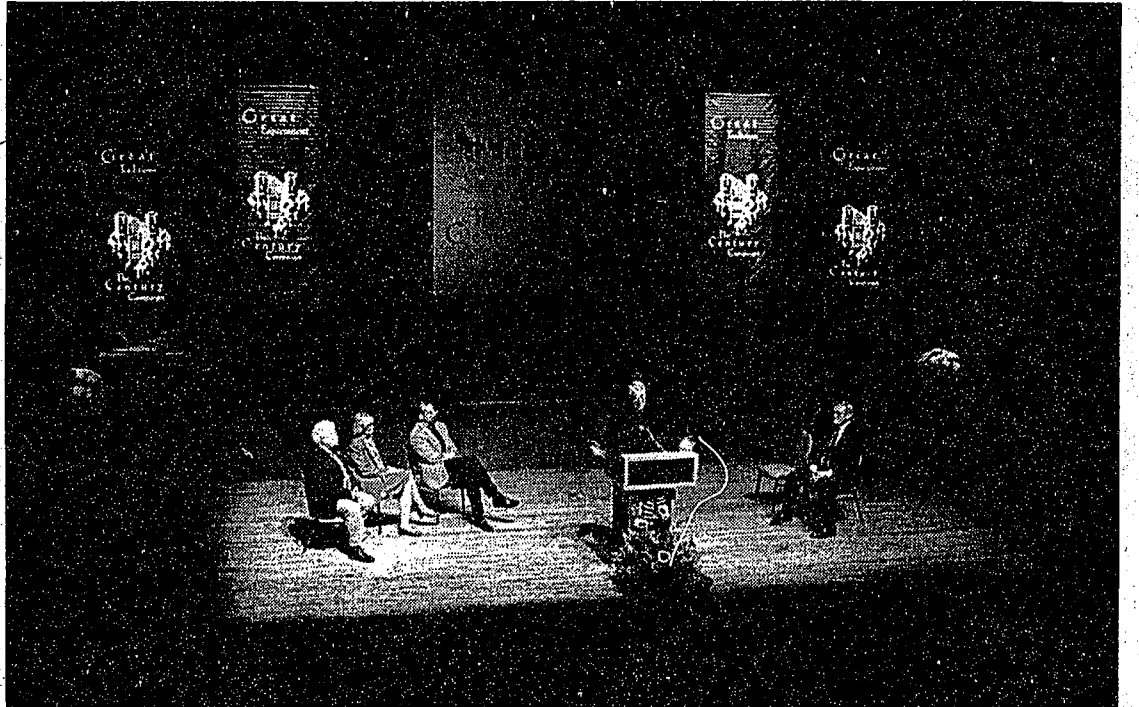
A former student was arrested on an outstanding traffic violation after being pulled over in the Village for reckless driving and speeding. The suspect was released to the Cincinnati Police for processing.

Police Note of the Week

Friday, Oct. 23, 11:50 p.m.

A student reported her keys, which were inadvertently left in the door of her apartment in the University Apartments, were stolen, along with a wallet and currency valued at \$360.

CENTURY CAMPAIGN COMES HOME



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY BILL TERRY

The campus campaign kickoff took place last Friday in the University Center Theatre. Those in attendance were updated on The Century Campaign's accomplishments in addition to its need for further funding, in particular the need for funding from faculty.

The Century Campaign was announced on Oct. 26, 1996 and is intended to raise \$110 million to enhance and expand Xavier by strengthening the University's faculty and programs, resources and endowment, and scholarships and structures.

"The Century Campaign, and its splendid vision for the future, calls on the University, its family and friends to a transformation of the University's self-image, its expectations and its goals," said President Rev. James Hoff, S.J.

Chair of the Board of Trustees, Mike Conaton, also delivered a speech to initiate the on-campus portion of the drive.

Drinking controlled

BY MICHELLE MANASSAH
News Writer

It's hard to believe, but representatives from Xavier were actually encouraging drinking last Tuesday, though not in the way you might imagine. It was all part of the controlled drinking experiment held in Kelley Auditorium.

The event was just one of the highlights of last week's annual Alcohol Awareness Week, a week dedicated to raising awareness of drinking and the effects it can have.

"Alcohol Awareness Week is a tradition at Xavier," said campus police chief Mike Couch.

"It heightens student awareness of responsible drinking and how drinking and driving can affect your life. Clearly alcohol is a part of campus life, but the whole goal is to drink responsibly," he said.

The controlled drinking experiment highlighted some of the effects of alcohol and the procedures suspects must go through when believed to be driving under the influence (DUI).

The program, hosted by Couch, included three Xavier staff members: Maureen Mathis (an admissions counselor), Dave Traubert (graduate assistant with Commuter Services) and Dan Yeager (general manager of dining services).

All of them drank five to six beers prior to the presentation.

"The purpose of the program was to show what would actually happen in a DUI case and to show how people should respond, but to mainly clarify and dispel rumors regarding sobriety tests," said Couch.

As an introduction to the process

"Clearly alcohol is a part of campus life, but the whole goal is to drink responsibly."

—Mike Couch
Chief of Campus Police

of a DUI, Couch extended a series of six sobriety field tests to a few sober students.

These tests included reciting the alphabet, counting from 10 to zero, touching the nose with the left finger first and then the right with the eyes closed, standing on one leg for 20 seconds, taking 10 paces on a straight line with a pivot on the left foot and an eye test.

According to Couch, a police officer would administer these tests after finding probable cause for stopping a driver.

"Between 10 p.m. and 3 a.m., 30 percent of people on the road are legally intoxicated," Couch said.

Mathis, a 1990 Xavier graduate, said she generally drinks half a bottle of wine every two weeks and a few beers every other weekend. Despite consuming alcohol on a regular basis, she did not think she had built up a sizable tolerance.

Prior to the program, beginning at 6:45 p.m., she drank five beers. Couch tested her sobriety at 9:45 p.m. using the six tests.

Mathis passed the sobriety tests. However, according to Couch, her eyes displayed her alcohol content. They were bloodshot and bouncing to follow moving objects.

According to Couch, he would

not arrest Mathis, but since she was borderline, he would not allow her to drive.

Yeager said he generally drinks alcohol a couple times a week on his days off. He consumed six beers. When tested, Couch noted Yeager's inability to follow directions when he counted to one instead of zero.

His eyes were also bloodshot, and according to Couch, he would be arrested for his own safety.

Yeager became involved with this project when approached by BACCHUS (Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students).

"I believe in this project. I am also a part of the Wellness Team and I enjoy getting involved with student projects," said Yeager.

As a student at Miami University of Ohio, Trauber said he did his fair share of drinking and thought he had built up a tolerance.

But after his consumption of six beers, Couch said he would have been arrested.

"I think it's a valid program," said Trauber. "Students need to be aware of the law when it comes to drinking and driving."

Other events of the week included a mock DUI in front of Bellarmine on Monday, guest speakers and Friday's presentation from Nora Banks of MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving).

The events of the week were presented by BACCHUS and were co-sponsored by the Wellness Team, Health and Counseling and the Apartment Council.

Yearbooks available next week

BY KELLY HIXSON MATTINGLY
News Writer

The long-awaited 1998 Musketeer Annuals are finally here.

The yearbooks are in storage and will be distributed in the University Center Wednesday through Friday next week while yearbook pictures for next year's edition are taken.

Flyers will be posted at the end of this week with times.

The delay in passing out yearbooks is due to staffing difficulties of the Musketeer Annual.

"Some proofs were sent back to Jostens [the company which prints the books] late last year because we were understaffed. We had three students and one adviser working on the book and we missed our deadline," said last year's co-editor, junior Claudia Smyczek.

The staff was running on about a quarter of the people usually present.

Two sports editors quit during finals week which, according to Smyczek, added more stress to the yearbook staff.

"We could have used at least 10 more bodies to help us finish on time," said Smyczek, who spent three weeks after classes were out in May working on the annual.

This year's staff is having similar difficulties.

"We still need an editor for the organizations sections and people to write stories and take photos," said this year's co-editor, Shauna Pope.

According to Pope, Xavier students may purchase a yearbook more easily than students at other universities may.

"Automatically charging students' bursar bills began as a convenience to both students and yearbook staff. In previous years, many students who wanted yearbooks didn't get them because they forgot to purchase them, didn't know how or didn't have the cash. Charging students' bursar bills alleviates this problem," said Pope.

Students may refuse a yearbook by sending back a reply card or calling and indicating they do not want to purchase the \$39.95 annual.

"We've had people call wanting yearbooks from decades ago. It's important that students purchase their yearbooks now, because if they wait 20 years, there may not be any left from the time they were here at XU," said Pope.

Luther Smith, executive director for Student Services, expressed his appreciation of yearbooks.

"They chronicle the year's events on a university campus. It's amazing how often I refer to my own. They become more important once you've been out of school for 10 or 15 years," said Smith.

Senate: Election rescheduled

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According to Kevin Schaefer, former chair of the Board of Elections, neither he nor any of the board members were contacted during the investigation.

As of late Tuesday, Demonbreun had not seen Monday's motion to schedule new elections. She said she would probably sign it, though she has until Friday to make a decision.

"If the Senate feels that is the most reasonable, right and prudent thing to do, by all means — I just want to get it done, get back on track and move on with my year," Demonbreun said.

Senators and student government executives had overlooked the constitutional line granting Senate, not the president, sole power over its election results.

"Everyone makes mistakes, even the federal government today makes mistakes. It was something that wasn't identified by anyone but Dake," said Bowling.

"With all the lines in the constitution it is possible for one of the lines to be overlooked. We know now. It won't happen again," said Demonbreun.

It was still unclear, however, whether Demonbreun was wrong to veto the measures as they were worded.

Constitutionally, Senate has authority over its election results, but in other logistical areas, such as pay for the Board of Elections, the matter is less clear.

"It's a question of interpretation whether or not that wording [of the first two measures] was wrong. Some SGA members feel that Senate is the final authority in all matters regarding this election. Some feel we only have final authority over the results," said Bowling.

Thomason's letter to the editor in last week's *NewsWire* and the letter from Dake led to Senate's recent actions.

"As you can see from the power of the written word, it has the effect to ignite and to inflame many people. You can see that here, you

Student Senate's solution

Text of 99-74: "The Fall '98 elections will recommence Nov. 10 and Nov. 11, 1998. All 11 original candidates shall be listed on the ballot at their discretion. In addition, all 11 candidates will have the option of updating or changing their election questionnaires. Vote penalties will remain in effect.

A new Board of Elections will be appointed by the Association Committees for the election. Campaigning will be allowed in keeping with the Elections Code with no door to door campaigning. An additional \$30 per candidate spending will be allowed for campaigning. The Elections Code will remain in effect.

An information meeting will be held Monday, Nov. 2 for all candidates. Campaigning will start following the Nov. 2 informational meeting.

This motion supersedes any conflicting information by the power vested in Article II, Section 3, Paragraph 4 of the Student Government Association Constitution.

► **PASSED** unanimously by the Senate on Oct. 22

► **PRESIDENTIAL** action is still pending. As of late Tuesday, Demonbreun had yet to read the motion, but indicated that she would probably sign it. She has until Friday to make a decision.

can see that in what people are saying on campus," said Senator Brendon Cull Thursday.

"All the student reaction I have received has been positive. I felt as though I was backed into a corner and it was my last chance to make something happen. I figure if it made enough of an uproar people would start talking about it again," said Thomason.

"My personal code of ethics was called into question throughout the entire proceeding of this election problem and I felt that my duty, at all costs, was to stand up for what was right," he said.

"After I read the editorial by Thomason and Dake and I looked at the constitution ... it was clear to me that the only right thing to do was void the election," said Julie Hammersmith. She, along with the three other top vote receivers, was sworn in during last Monday's meeting, only to have the election and her seat invalidated late last Thursday.

Unlike the other two freshman

Senators present at Thursday's emergency meeting, Hammersmith did not abstain, but voted for the resolution to void the elections and cancel her seat.

"I just wanted to be a legitimate Senator [rather] than have anyone question it," she said.

"I'm not happy with running again. But, in order to prove I am worthy of that seat and to prove to all those who ever doubted the first election that I'm worthy of that seat, I'm willing to work hard to get it back again," said top vote recipient Natosha Cuyler-Sherman.

"After being sworn in I did think it was over. I was shocked when I heard I might lose [the Senate seat] and I was hurt when I lost it. But in order for me to be really accepted on Senate, this is a sacrifice I am going to have to make," she said.

"I understand Senate's put in a lot of long hours, and I respect the decision made and will run again," said Mark Mallett, the third freshman Senator present at Thursday's meeting.

Debate: Chabot, Qualls on WVXU

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would strongly support anti-hate crime legislation in addition to any employment of anti-discrimination policies. Chabot countered by saying, "We don't need hate-crime laws because we already have existing laws for such behavior."

Chabot identified himself as a critic of the proposed light-rail system for Cincinnati, saying the "fare box" would only fund 10 percent of the \$1.25 billion cost. The other 90 percent, he said, would have to be funded by the people of the district, which is "too much to subsidize."

Qualls, however, preferred studying the issue more thoroughly, citing the need for improved air quality and the possibility of economic growth.

When considering other topics, the candidates' views seemed very similar, which could be attributed to their attempt to attract moderate voters. In terms of education, both

stressed the importance of improving the buildings, the classrooms and the teaching.

They also referred to their personal interest in education — Chabot, a former teacher, and Qualls, a tutor at local elementary schools. Chabot said education is a local responsibility because parents and teachers are closer to the situation, while Qualls supports federal help, mentioning Ohio ranked last in quality of public education facilities last year.

On the subject of soft money, Chabot spoke of his co-sponsorship of a bill which would increase the amount of money an individual could give, but decrease the amount of money an interest group, or PAC, could donate to political campaigns.

Qualls' response was similar, saying she supported campaign reform for costs of city council elections and would fight for disclosure of who makes contributions.

Both candidates also agreed on

issues such as worrying about drug use and underage drinking, the House Judiciary committee's investigation of the president, the need for campaigns and particularly advertisements to be less negative, and the fine line between international trade and open exchanges of information and severing ties to nations with outrageous human rights' violations.

Qualls said she supported the death penalty for extremely heinous acts, and Chabot called for expediting the process, saying a shorter period of time between the trial and the execution would act as more of a deterrent.

In terms of religion's place in education, Chabot said teachers don't need to be telling students to pray, but students should be able to say a prayer, even in public school, if they wish. Qualls cautioned that educators be careful of intolerance or persecution based on religious differences.

"The solution was simple to begin with. They could have made the right decision so many times, and failed to do so, so many times," said candidate Chris Seelback, whose name was not on the ballot for the first day of the voided election. Seelback has yet to decide whether he will run again.

Nine of the 11 candidates told *The NewsWire* they would run again; two had not committed as of Tuesday.

The candidates' willingness to go through the election process a second time had been a key factor contributing to the failure of Senate's initial two motions to void the elections.

Many, including Demonbreun, felt candidates did not want to go through the process again.

On Oct. 11, Bowling's vote was pivotal in Senate's failure to override the President's second veto. "I'd rather go with these results than have eight [of the 11] people say, 'Screw it, I'm not running again.' You can only put those candidates through so much," he said then.

"I don't have that fear anymore, because several of the candidates and, in particular, three of the top vote getters said they would campaign again and run. They said they wanted to be legitimately elected," said Bowling.

Senate went into Executive Session — a period during which no visitors or reporters are allowed in the room — several times over the past month to resolve this issue. Thursday's emergency meeting lasted two hours. Monday's meeting lasted three and a half.

"Once again the Senate has gone above and beyond the call of duty to have a special meeting and to solve a problem. Now, granted, it was the same problem, but once again Senate put 150 percent into this issue," Bowling told the Senate Thursday.

"It's been a long process, but we've all won and, most importantly, the students have won," said Thomason.

Student dies from overdose of caffeine

MOREHEAD CITY, N.C. (CPX) — A 20-year-old man died after taking a dare from a classmate and swallowing dozens of caffeine pills.

Authorities said Jason Allen had swallowed most of the 90-pill bottle — the equivalent of drinking 250 cups of coffee — when he collapsed Oct. 20 outside one of his general education development classes at Carteret Community College.

It is not known when he consumed the pills, authorities said.

A security guard at the school found Allen and called for help.

Authorities said Allen died from heart rhythm irregularities associated with a high dosage of caffeine, which is a central nervous system stimulant.

ROTC prof aims for police badge

KELLY CICHY

News Feature Writer

After over 27 years in the military, Army Sgt. Maj. Richard Wickman will retire in July to pursue a career in law enforcement.

Wickman's interest in law enforcement led him to consider applying for a position with Xavier's campus police.

"This would fulfill two things that I'd love to do, being a police officer and working with young adults," said Wickman, who has been working with Xavier students for the past four years.

Wickman joined Xavier as a military science professor for the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC).

"I was assigned here by the Army," said Wickman, who was happy to return to his hometown.

"To get back home like this is very lucky. It's a luxury very few people get," said Wickman.

He was born and raised in Cincinnati, and both he and his wife graduated from Taylor High School in 1971.

Prior to coming to Xavier, Wickman lived, worked and served all over the world, including tours in Vietnam and Germany.

In Desert Shield/Desert Storm, he was an infantry soldier. Besides the time spent overseas, Wickman worked all over the United States, including El Paso, Texas, where he was the director of evaluation and standards for Army schools.

"I moved fourteen times in twenty-five years," said Wickman. "It took me ten years to get my degree. All over the world, wherever I was, I took classes," he said. He

finally received his degree in criminal justice.

With a family history of military service and law enforcement, the military was a natural career path for Wickman to follow.

"The Army has been my life. I grew up hearing war stories," said Wickman.

The tradition has continued into the third generation with Wickman's two sons. One son joined the Marine Corps and now works as a Deputy Sheriff. The other entered the Air Force.

Being back in Cincinnati was not the only benefit of Wickman's time at Xavier. He enjoys teaching and interacting with students.

As a ROTC professor, his main duty is to oversee training, and he describes his basic responsibility as teaching freshmen.

From his experience working with Xavier students, Wickman has discovered students know what they want and work "awfully hard" to get it.

"Most of the young people I've met here have a goal," said Wickman, who considers Xavier a rigorous institution.

After retirement, Wickman wants to continue working with students in the place he has come to call home. "I'd love to stay at Xavier," said Wickman. "It's like home, and it's the longest I've ever been anywhere."

In order to make the transition from military science professor to police officer, Wickman is working as an auxiliary officer for the Xavier campus police. "I come in and work with whoever Chief Couch wants me to," said Wickman.



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY BILL TERRY

Army Sgt. Maj. Richard Wickman's Army career has spanned almost three decades and has taken him to three continents, but he hopes to remain a Xavier employee after retirement.

"They're training me on all the different responsibilities. People don't realize what all the Xavier police are involved in; they do quite a bit," he said.

Becoming a police officer also requires Wickman to undergo training and to graduate from the police academy.

Only thirty slots are available in the academy, but having a department sponsorship can help get you in. The Xavier campus police department is acting as Wickman's sponsor.

Wickman will begin his police training on Jan. 11, and he will go to school at night and over the course of several weekends. His days will still be devoted to working with Xavier campus police.

One advantage to working with the Xavier Police department is preparation for a future in law enforcement. After graduating from the academy in June, "If they (Xavier) have a position, I'll already be trained," Wickman said.

One challenge he expects to encounter as he makes the transition from the army to the police force is competition with much younger students in the academy.

"I am counting on my experience, my maturity and my physical condition," said Wickman.

As an auxiliary for Xavier's campus police, Wickman admitted to being "a little apprehensive at first, and not sure how the younger would treat the older."

But his worries vanished be-

cause, he said, everyone has done their part to make him feel welcome.

He has always loved the military and been interested in law enforcement. "I like working with people. I'm not the type to sit inside behind a desk. That would drive me crazy," he said.

As far as his time in the military is concerned, he said, "I love it. It's been good to me. A second love would be to be a police officer."

He and his wife of almost twenty-six years have welcomed the perks of military life. Both have enjoyed living around the world.

But now he said, "I'd rather stay here. My wife and I are going to miss the military. It's been a ride."

Father, son leave Venezuela to study at Xavier

BY THERESA HANSEN

Contributing Writer

Some people go to college to get away from their parents, but Pedro Romero Jr. brought his father with him.

This dynamic father-son duo has come all the way from Venezuela to study here.

A little over a year ago, Romero Jr. first came to visit the United States. He has an aunt and uncle who live in Morrow, and he stayed with them for six months before returning to Venezuela.

Once he returned home, Pedro shared with his father his affection toward Cincinnati, and they discussed the many opportunities available at Xavier.

"Xavier is a good place for a student, and second, I think that everybody should learn English," said Romero Sr. "Cincinnati is a good city to live in," he continued.

The Romero family decided it would be a good idea for Romero Jr. to learn English at Xavier. Xavier offered Romero an opportunity to receive more help in his English education than schools in Venezuela. In addition, the cultural exposure to English facilitates his learning.

"In the United States, they pay

more attention to helping Pedro overcome the difficulties he faces with his writing," his father said.

Another advantage of American education is time. In Venezuela, it takes five years to earn an undergraduate degree whereas it typically takes only four years in the United States.

As his son was making the decision to come to Xavier, Romero Sr. said he felt, "If my son can be a student here, I can also."

He believes learning English will help him expand his construction business. By learning a second language, Romero Sr. feels he will be able to take on more clients.

"It is very important for all my family that when I go back to Venezuela in December 1999, [so] that I can improve my work," he said.

Romero Sr. decided to pack up his family, including his wife, his 15-year-old daughter and Romero Jr., and move to Morrow, Ohio. His



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International students Pedro Romero, Sr. and Jr. left jobs in Venezuela to study at Xavier.

daughter is now a freshman at Morrow High School.

In addition to leaving his home and his country, Romero Sr. also left behind his construction business.

The Romero family business will not be in operation until Romero Sr. returns to Venezuela.

The Romeros are unable to work in the United States because they are visiting under a student visa, but student employment may be possible. Romero Sr. said he is currently looking for a job on campus.

Despite the strain of temporarily relocating to another country, the Romeros do not feel the transition has been too difficult. They have had plenty of help along the way.

"American people are very friendly. They help me in all things," said Romero Sr.

"I would like to live here. Cincinnati is a good place for me," he said.

The Romeros began their education at Xavier together. "We were in first level English together," said Romero Jr.

"We began together last semester, but now he is more advanced than me," said Romero Sr.

The father and son team is working hard to gain an understanding and mastery of the English language. Romero Sr. is planning on being a full-time student at Xavier until next December when he will return to Venezuela.

Romero Jr. is working diligently to prepare for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). Passing this examination is necessary in order for students whose native language is not English to enter into Xavier.

Upon successful completion of his English classes and after passing the TOEFL exam, Romero Jr. hopes to remain here to pursue his education in occupational therapy.

Both of the Romeros are full-time students in the English as a Second Language program (ESL).

They have one reading and writing class together. Father and son are having a good time taking classes together.

The Romeros are very appreciative of their opportunity to study at Xavier and their chance to live in Cincinnati.

"Here we can study better and have more possibilities," said Romero Jr.

WORLD BRIEFS

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Primakov stands in for ailing Yeltsin

VIENNA (AFP) — The European Union-Russia summit went ahead as scheduled Tuesday in Vienna, despite the absence of Russian President Boris Yeltsin, officials said.

Yeltsin, whose health has frequently been in question, on Monday canceled a planned trip to Austria to attend the summit because he is suffering from extreme fatigue.

Russian Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov attended in his place.

Yeltsin, who had been due to meet Tuesday with European Commission President Jacques Santer and Austrian Chancellor Viktor Klima, pulled out because of what Kremlin doctors described as "asthenia," a condition involving physical and psychological exhaustion.

Russian news agency Interfax said Yeltsin's doctors had advised him not to travel to the summit and recommended a vacation, but said he would not require hospitalization.

Yeltsin, 67, has suffered a string of heart and lung ailments in recent years and two weeks ago aborted a trip to Central Asia because of what the Kremlin described as a bout of bronchitis.

European Union (EU) representatives stressed to Primakov the EU's support of democratic and economic reforms in Russia.

The European Union, which is happy to provide food aid but reluctant to provide any cash for Russia's immediate needs, will also question Primakov on his country's specific needs.

Primakov made it clear on Saturday that Russia would not beg for international aid to feed its citizens this winter, but would accept it if offered.

Abortion clinic doctor killed by sniper

AMHERST, N.Y. — The sniper who killed Barnett Slepian Saturday took the life of the last remaining physician who performed abortions at Buffalo's only abortion clinic, and providers of the procedure criticized police Sunday for not doing more to guard his life.

Slepian's death left Buffalo GYN Womenservices, the only abortion clinic in the city of 300,000, with no physician on staff. Soon after the shooting, a physician quit after working for about a month, officials at the clinic said.

That left three doctors in western New York who perform abortions. Women needing immediate care will be referred to doctors in other cities.

Sunday, clinic administrators gathered with representatives of the National Abortion Federation, a Washington-based association of abortion providers, where their grief at losing a

friend and colleague was mixed with a sense of crisis.

"The challenge I have is huge, because I don't have anyone," said Marilyn Buckham, clinic administrator, who vowed to keep the facility open. "I have other doctors ... who said they would come to Buffalo as needed."

Their concern stems from the fact that the number of abortion providers has dropped by 18 percent in a decade, said Stephanie Mueller, a spokeswoman for the Washington group. Mueller attributed the decrease in part to violence against abortion providers, and to the fact that 12 percent of the nation's medical schools offer to teach the procedure now, compared with 23 percent a decade ago.

The group met as police, assisted by the FBI, continued their hunt for the killer, but offered few public details. Police declined to say whether the fatal bullet, or the bullets used in the other shootings, came from the same gun.

Student chronicles affair with teacher

SEATAC, Wash. (CPX) — Faced with a media mob, the teenager who has fathered two children with his former grade-school teacher fled from the airport.

Chaos erupted Sunday as 15-year-old Vili Fualaau returned to the Seattle-Tacoma airport from a European tour promoting a newly-released book that chronicles his love affair with 36-year-old Mary Kay Letourneau.

"It's great to be back," Fualaau said before darting into a waiting van. "I received lots of support in Paris."

The book, "Un Seul Crime, L'Amour" — "Only One Crime, Love" — describes Fualaau's love affair with Letourneau, who is serving a sentence of more than seven years for second-degree child rape. The tell-all book is only available in Europe. An English translation will be available in about two months, said Fualaau's attorney, Bob Huff.

While Fualaau was visiting Europe last week, Letourneau gave birth to the couple's second baby, a girl named Georgia. The baby was apparently conceived while Letourneau was on probation for her original conviction on child rape charges and had been forbidden to meet Fualaau. Letourneau had been out of jail for just one month when she was re-arrested after police caught her and Fualaau together in a parked car.

The couple's first child, Audrey, is in the care of the boy's mother. The newborn is expected to join her sister there.

In interviews after her arrest, Letourneau claimed the youth was the love of her life. He also has said he hopes to marry Letourneau when she leaves prison.

Peace accord a challenge



PHOTO BY CHUCK KENNEDY — K.R.T.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu (left) and Palestinian President Yasser Arafat (right) visited President Clinton to discuss the Middle East peace accord.

BY HUGH DELLIOS

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

JERUSALEM — After arriving home this week from the Wye River talks, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian President Yasser Arafat undoubtedly will look back on the tortuous nine-day negotiations as the easy part of the latest push for Middle East peace.

Now it comes to implementing the hard-bargained accord, and both sides' willingness to comply is constrained by deep skepticism of the others' sincerity, challenges from their own supporters and fears of violent threats which could derail the latest agreement like so many before it.

As the Jewish sabbath ended Saturday, right-wing Jewish settlers renewed their vow to topple Netanyahu's government for surrendering another piece of Israel.

Soldiers remained on alert throughout this disputed city as leaders of the radical Hamas movement condemned the deal and Arafat's agreement to crack down on them.

Despite the euphoria that greeted Friday's peace agreement in Washington, both Israelis and Palestinians warned the Wye River memorandum is merely belated confirmation of promises and obligations that should have been fulfilled 19 months ago under the 1993 Oslo peace plan.

The long delay and rocky summit in Maryland show how difficult it will be to enact not only the current land-for-security agreements, but also final negotiations over the shape of the region's peace. U.S. officials want those negotiations, dealing with the borders of a future Palestinian state, the fate of Jerusalem and other ultra-sensitive issues

in the Middle East, to begin within 10 days.

"I don't think (the two sides) have a choice but to comply now. This agreement was done in front of President Clinton," said Hagit Yary of Israel's Peace Now movement. "But I'll be more optimistic when I see the troops actually pulling out of the West Bank."

In the accord, Netanyahu agreed to turn over another 13 percent of the Israeli-occupied West Bank, giving the Palestinians control over a total of 40 percent of the territory.

The Israeli withdrawal will take place in phases over 12 weeks, contingent upon Palestine complying with a CIA-brokered and monitored plan to fight terrorism, arrest fugitives and confiscate weapons.

Israel will release several hundred Palestinian prisoners and provide Palestinian workers with "safe passage" through the West Bank.

Glenn eager to head back to space for second orbit around the world

BY G. ROBERT HILLMAN

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

NEW CONCORD, Ohio — John Glenn is ready to go up again, eager at age 77 to suit up one last time and head back into the heavens.

In the last light of a 24-year Senate career, the first American to orbit the earth 36 years ago is an astronaut once more. "The Last Hero," Life magazine called Glenn in yet another issue with him on the cover.

"This is something I've always wanted to do," Glenn explained, "and I had no idea that age would become an advantage instead of a disadvantage."

He lifts off Thursday aboard the shuttle Discovery for a nine-day mission. President Clinton and many of Glenn's fellow senators will be watching from the stands at Cape Canaveral.

A decorated Marine fighter and record-setting test pilot, Glenn returns to space to study its impact on the aging human body. For him,

it's yet another dream come true. His family worries, though, even if he does not.

"You know, when I get out of bed in the morning and drive to Capitol Hill, there is a risk," the Democratic senator said. "But on this mission," he said, "I see the potential gain far more valuable than the risk."

For at least four years, Glenn said he's been thinking seriously of life as an elder spaceman. Where some critics see his mission as a publicity stunt for NASA, he sees it as bedrock research that could enhance space travel and the lives of the elderly back on Earth.

His experiments will delve into the aging process, from muscle mass reduction and bone deterioration to sleeplessness. At last count, he'll have 21 different electrodes attached to his body, measuring his temperature, breathing, heart beat and various other bodily functions.

"The objective is to find out what turns these systems on and off in

the human body," he explained. "Perhaps we can take away some of the frailties of old age."

Discovery's seven-member crew will carry out more than 80 experiments, using some of the world's most sophisticated computers and other equipment. An astronaut's work has come a long way from his three orbits on Feb. 20, 1962, Glenn said.

Back then, "Our major mission was just to define if we could do that or not, if we could do space flight... and we found that we could," he said.

Beyond that, his flight was a huge boost to the nation's ego, badly bruised by the early Russian firsts in space.

"I only made the one flight, and so I've always wanted to go up again," Glenn said. And he will, but only after NASA was sure his mission made good scientific sense and he was physically capable of doing the job.

"We don't have free rides yet on the space program," he said.

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— STAFF EDITORIAL —

Clone these, please

As technology becomes increasingly complex, fewer people understand how it works. Not surprisingly, there are a number of misconceptions surrounding cloning technology.

This week, *The Newswire* contributes to the unrealistic demands and expectations the public makes on science with our own cloning wish list.

Of course, cloning could churn out a bevy of benevolent people like the late Emma Martin. Xavier could use another enlightened philanthropist or two as campus projects strain our resources. Or take the friendly Terry Nieman,

Xavier's postmaster. As campus facilities are spun off to the fringes of campus — even into Norwood — Nieman could surely use more help delivering mail.

All the students who turned out for Community Action Day last Saturday should all be cloned. Xavier — heck, the world — could use more people willing to give up a Saturday morning to make a difference in their community.

We could also use some clones of Xavier Shuttle drivers. Preferably, we would clone someone who can handle freshmen vomiting in the back of the van and who doesn't mind

driving the graveyard shift on weekends.

While we're at it, we could clone a couple more shuttles. Why limit our copying to people? This is how cloning works, right?

Another parking lot, another dormitory, maybe some more classrooms — cloning would solve all our problems. We

could even clone books from area colleges to place in McDonald Library so students wouldn't have to rely on OhioLink for access to a decent collection.

We could definitely use some copies of the Student Government Association Constitution so

every member would have a chance to read it.

Cloning could even be extended to city problems. Why not clone the baseball stadium and place it both at Broadway Commons and on the riverfront? The Reds could alternate games, or hey, we could clone the whole team and play at both stadiums.

Now, if cloning cannot meet these rather modest demands, then we should re-evaluate whether the glorious promised benefits are worth the ethical dilemmas cloning creates.

—M.W.M.

for The Newswire staff

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— CLONE TALK —

WHAT is an advantage or disadvantage of human cloning?



"There would be more of me, and I'm perfect."

—Leslie Knox
Junior



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—Leslie Knox
Junior



"An advantage is that we could keep making good people."

—Paul Nesbitt
Sophomore



"There would be more of me, and I'm perfect."

—Leslie Knox
Junior



"There would be more of me, and I'm perfect."

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— CAMPUS COMMENTARY —

Hypocrisy: ideals not practiced

Interracial dating ban has parallel at Xavier

BY LUKE SMITH

Newswire Columnist

Bob Jones University (BJU), a fundamentalist Christian school of 3,000 students in Greenville, S.C., has a rather peculiar rule concerning race relations on its campus: Interracial dating is prohibited. This may come as a shock to those who, like myself, thought we were living in a progressive society.

Jonathan Pait, Community Relations Coordinator for the university, explains the policy like this:

"God has made people different one from another and intends those differences to remain. Bob Jones University is opposed to intermarriage of the races because it breaks down the barriers God has established. It mixes that which God separated and intends to keep separate."

Pait goes on to claim, "The student body is fully integrated with all students participating in all activities and organizations regardless of race."

BJU claims separate races have

been ordained by God, and any attempts to bring the races together are "man-glorifying."

These ridiculous claims could also be used to support old arguments for segregation. The interracial dating ban is simply another way to say "stick with your own kind."

However, BJU is adamant they are not prejudiced. Says Pait, "We believe prejudice to be biblically wrong, and it is not tolerated in the student body." Talk about hypocrisy.

BJU, however backward it may be, is not as different from Xavier as we would like it to be. Here is an interesting parallel:

BJU is a Christian (fundamentalist Protestant) university that espouses the ideals of integration while banning interracial couples.

Xavier is a Christian (conservative Catholic) university that espouses the ideals of acceptance while denying Xavier Against Homophobia club status.

The similarity is striking. Bob Jones is perhaps more backward,

but no less hypocritical than Xavier.

Xavier claims to provide a liberal arts education, stressing the value of free exchange of ideas. At the same time, XU overlooks the will of Senate and denies students the opportunity to form a gay, lesbian and straight alliance against homophobia.

Some free expression.

Denial of club status is akin to censorship. Are students so naïve they don't realize homosexuals exist in our society? I think not.

Students do not need to be "protected" from the different viewpoints which might be presented by such a club.

I am not aware of any official reason given by the University for the exclusion of homosexuals from forming an official club, or for denying Xavier Against Homophobia club status.

What is said — and not said — in the university's position on this issue is a message that will come back to haunt us.

— LETTER TO THE EDITOR —

Underage drinking problem ignored

I find it appalling when I see campus police doing absolutely nothing about underage drinking and public drunkenness on campus. Several times I have seen campus police drive right by students who are obviously drunk, even holding "forties" in their hands. When I was deciding which university to attend, I was told Xavier has a no-tolerance viewpoint on underage drinking. An absolute lie.

This campus turns into a cheap Hollywood movie on the weekends, one where all the kids are out drinking and doing no good. I am a student who has never once had a drink in my life, and I have only found a few others who have the same morals. It is a sad situation when the law abiders become the minority, especially when the police do nothing

about the situation. I urge all students who are fed up with our university's drinking problem to let your voices be heard as well.

We have the right to live in an environment free of alcohol and all its related problems. I am tired of loud students during quiet hours and the stench of puke in the hallways. Some students are so keen on drinking I have seen them involuntarily defecate themselves in the halls and elevators.

The lack of organization of the campus police is also a concern of mine. I am majoring in criminal justice, and our policing system at Xavier could be a perfect example of what not to do. There is no penal code in use, only discretion. The campus police do not serve and protect, they do as they wish. This

past summer I was told there would be a criminal justice club at Xavier, sponsored by campus police. I have made several inquiries and nothing has been done to initiate such a club.

I am not asking for a perfect world, I only want to live a comfortable life without having to watch stupidity take over every weekend and occasional weeknight. It is ludicrous to pay police when they turn their heads the other way. I have chosen to stand up for myself and I hope the administration and alumni will quit looking the other way as well. Something needs to be done. I might expect such problems at a state-funded college, but not in a private university founded on pure Jesuit beliefs.

—Brian Ertzinger
Freshman

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- NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE -

Debating the ethics of human cloning

Why we should 'play God'

Reproductive freedom is our right

BY JUSTIN KLEKOTA

Guest Columnist

Modern medical technology has helped free many people from the cruelties of nature. The inevitable development of human cloning should be no exception. Cloning holds the promise to combat the incidence of human genetic disease and to enable "infertile" couples to have biological children.

More importantly, cloning will radically expand the reproductive freedom of parents, thereby calling for a new understanding of the human family and the human person.

To public knowledge, no human being has been cloned. The human cloning procedure is still in its developmental stages. Briefly stated, cloning involves removal of the nucleus from an egg cell followed by the implantation of a "single parent" nucleus into the evacuated egg cell. The resulting cell will have a full genetic code from one parent. If the procedure is successful, the new cell will begin cell division and will be implanted into the womb where it will develop into a human being.

Genetically, the cloned child and its parent are identical. The cloned child and its parent are very similar to identical twins because they are distinct persons with the same genetic code. The obvious difference is that a cloned child and its parent will be different ages, while identical twins are the same age.

A common misconception surrounding cloning is that clones are human duplicates. With a basic understanding of the cloning procedure, it is clear human clones would not share the same "spirit" any more than identical twins do.

Despite misconceptions, cloning holds many promising medical benefits. If used in accordance with genetic counseling, cloning can prevent the incidence of genetic disease. In particular, recessive genetic disorders such as sickle-cell anemia, hemophilia and muscular dystrophy can be prevented in children of couples at risk.

Diseases such as these can be very debilitating and often fatal. Normally, two parents who are carriers for a recessive genetic disorder have a one-in-four chance of having a child with the genetic disease.

A clone of one parent offers an opportunity to raise a healthy biological child. The clone would also be a carrier for the disorder but, like the cloned parent, would not actually have the disease.

Clearly, cloning holds the potential to make recessive genetic disorders infrequent, even impossible.

Additionally, cloning promises to provide a valuable option to couples, or individuals, who can't have biological children "naturally." Specifically, couples suffering "infertility" will be able to conceive biological children through cloning and cloning-related procedures.

After all, cloning only requires a healthy body cell from the parent. One noteworthy cloning-related procedure enables "infertile" women to trans-

plant their healthy DNA from their unhealthy egg cells into donor egg cells. This revived egg cell can be fertilized and implanted in the womb where it would begin normal human development. The resulting child will be genetically related to both a male and a female parent.

Same-sex couples would also benefit from cloning because it offers the opportunity to have biological children without the need for donor sperm or eggs, only a carrier egg. A clone of a gay man would unequivocally be the child of a single genetic parent without the need for a biological mother. In this way, potential legal difficulties could be alleviated.

More importantly, cloning enhances a person's reproductive freedom. No couple should feel obligated to procreate "naturally," nor should adoption be seen as the "last resort" for having children.

People should not only choose whether or not they wish to have children, but they should also be able to choose how their child will be conceived.

After all, who is better qualified to decide how a child will be brought into the world than the parent(s) who will raise and nurture that child?

Cloning, as an extension of reproductive freedom, affirms the supremacy of parents in reproductive decisions. Clearly, the only person that can make a decision on cloning is the person to be cloned; and that person should be legally responsible for their cloned child. Government, regardless of its claims to authority, has no authority over a person's reproductive freedom.

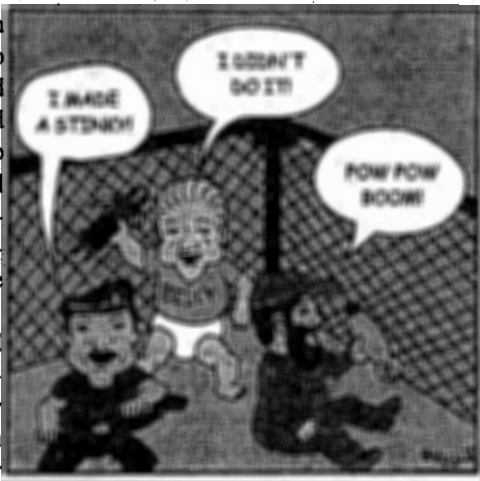
Furthermore, a new definition of family should be embraced. The creation of a single genetic parent as a result of cloning calls into question the necessity of the two-parent family. While two-parent families may be easier to maintain, a single parent family does not have to be subordinate to the "traditional" family. After all, children need love more than they need a "traditional" family.

Finally, a new understanding of the human person must be attained. A person's dignity should not be judged according to his or her genetic or reproductive origin, but should be rooted in his or her conscious human experience.

In this way, clones will share in the same human dignity that all other people share. Clearly cloning poses a multitude of medical and reproductive benefits. The central issue, however, is one of values.

Advances in technology will consistently call us to question and even re-evaluate our understanding of ourselves and the world around us — no one questions that.

The real question is: Are we up to that challenge?



Anti-Cloning Arguments

Humans have imperfect control over science technology

Determining parental rights and responsibilities would be a legal nightmare

Cloned children would be alienated from one parent and haunted by the precedence of the DNA donor

Blurs any clearly defined beginning of life



Pro-Cloning Arguments

Reduced incidence of recessive genetic disorders

Biological offspring for "infertile" couples

Advancements in associated infertility procedures

Protects reproductive freedom of parent

Places value of human person in their experience, not in their genes

NewsWire cartoons
BY RICKY LEWIS

BY MARK NISWONGER

Guest Columnist

One of the most intriguing ideas from the movie "Jurassic Park" was the "randomness" theory of the eccentric scientist played by Jeff Goldblum. His constant complaint — that nature is too unpredictable for humans to manipulate completely — proved correct when they found young raptor dinosaurs on the island, although the scientists had bred only female dinosaurs.

A similar sentiment, expressing caution at the rate of progress, has many people and organizations, including the American Society of Reproductive Medicine, calling for at least a temporary ban on human cloning.

Currently there is a high cost and low success rate associated with cloning methods. Only one out of 277 sheep survived in the infamous experiment that produced Dolly, the cloned lamb. Though cost should never stop a worthwhile cause, surely prudence must, especially when there is so little knowledge of the cloning phenomenon.

The current procedure involves fusing, by electroshock, an unfertilized egg cell whose nucleus has been removed and an ordinary cell from the person who will become the DNA donor. Then, the egg cell would use the DNA from the donor cell to divide and differentiate, creating a person akin to an identical twin.

There is the possibility that many defects and mutations will arise from placing the DNA from a differentiated cell, which is accustomed to performing certain tasks, into a cell that must start from the beginning in cell differentiation.

Indeed, the scientists who conducted the Dolly experiment wrote in the Feb. 1997 issue of *Nature* that the longest living embryos were the ones with genetic code taken from nine-day-old embryos, who have very little cell differentiation. Only one lamb survived with a cell taken from a mature adult. Moreover, they could not explain the deaths of the other cloned embryos.

The whole assumption of cloning is that human cells work like machines, where changing the input produces predictable results.

The truth, as many scientists will admit, is that science is nowhere near a complete understanding of human genetics and the many intangibles that enter in any human process.

Cloning would lead to a host of laws and restrictions that would soon vanish because they have no basis in nature or previous convention.

Although one could argue the embryo must be raised in a mother's womb, there is no reason for this since the act of procreation has already been removed from the womb, and technology may soon be available for artificial uteruses.

Although one could argue that famous dead men of the past should not be cloned, what is to stop the family or parents of the deceased from doing so?

The child would not even have to be raised by the DNA donor because there are four or five parents now: the egg donor, the woman who bore the child in her womb, the DNA donor, and the parents of the DNA donor.

The egg donor could argue that she provided the first nourishment for the child, and the birth mother could argue that she held it within her body.

Adding to the circus, the parents of the DNA donor could argue they provided the makeup of the DNA and that the clone is actually their child, who happens to be an identical twin to the donor.

It is easy to see how a family with five parents would quickly deteriorate into a legal and emotional mess over who would raise the child and who would need to consent to have the child.

We're already a society plagued by divorces and single-parent families. Cloned children in a two-parent family would be scarred by alienation from one parent and a sense that the other parent "owns" or "produced" them.

The child would always identify more closely with the donor, creating a schism in the family. Yet, as an identical twin, he or she would be always influenced and hindered by the knowledge of what that person, nearly identical to him or her, had accomplished and failed in his or her life.

At worst, cloning would redefine human life in purely materialistic terms, where people are reduced to the genetic information they carry. At its best, perhaps it would force humans to see each other less by their physical traits and more by their unique personalities as what makes one truly human.

However, the whole motivation and drive behind cloning is to control and mold that unique new person for the convenience of the parent's own life.

Even worse, when one removes the biological moment of creation, there is no clear starting point for the development of a spirit. After all, if a doctor simply moved healthy nuclei into new cells of that person, one would hardly call that a new creature.

Once the line defining humanity is blurred, the greatest atrocities of holocausts and murder become possible because one deems the person killed a non-human.

With cloning, human life is cheapened and the beauty of the act of creation is destroyed. Instead of a new, unique being that never existed before, there is a different cell with recycled DNA, produced by electricity.

Instead of a child that is the unpredictable and intricate expression of love between two people, a child becomes the controlled product of a solitary individual.

Our world is too cold and calculated as it is, without letting this mindset invade the bonds that hold a family together.

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Tennis ends fall with two dual match wins

The men's and women's tennis teams ended their fall seasons over the weekend, each with a dual-match victory. The men finish the autumn campaign 2-2 in dual matches, and the women have moved their final fall mark to 4-1.

This past Friday, the Xavier women defeated Wright State 6-3. Sophomore Natalie Palmenter, juniors Julie Roth and Kristen Wolf, freshman Beth Abraham and senior Lindsay Weber, as well as the doubles team of senior Jill Norton and freshman Kerrie Kramer, all won their matches for the Musketeers.

The XU men cruised to a 5-2 victory over Morehead State on Saturday. Winning for Xavier were freshmen Aaron Bauer, Danny Sturdevan, Kevin McEnery and Jeff Roman in the individual matches.

The team of sophomore Kyle Bates and Bauer and the team of McEnery and junior Zeeshawn Siddiqui were both victorious in doubles action.

Both teams will resume play in the spring.

B-ball tickets on sale

Individual tickets for 1998-99 men's basketball home games will go on sale beginning this Thursday at 9 a.m. Season tickets and six-pack tickets (ticket packages to six selected home games) will also be on sale.

Individual game tickets are priced at \$16, \$13 and \$9. Six-pack tickets cost \$78 for an upper reserved seat and \$54 for endzone seating. The games included in the six-pack package are: the Dec. 2 game vs. Miami, the Dec. 21 game vs. Loyola Marymount (both non-conference), the Jan. 3 game vs. Rhode Island, the Jan. 17 game vs. George Washington, the Feb. 9 game vs. Duquesne and the Feb. 16 game vs. La Salle (all Atlantic 10 contests).

For more information, visit the Xavier ticket office located in the O'Connor Sports Center or call the office at 745-3411.

Intramural basketball

Today is the last day to sign up for the intramural basketball 4-on-4 tournament. The double-elimination tournament will have men's, women's and co-rec divisions open to all students, faculty and staff.

Game times are between 4 and 11 p.m., Monday through Thursday, beginning Nov. 2 and ending Dec. 10. Call the Recreational Sports Department for more details at 745-2856 or stop by the intramural office.

Basketball preview up next

The annual *NewsWire* basketball preview issue will be hitting newsstands next week. For an in depth look at both the men's and women's teams, as well as forecasts for the entire Atlantic 10, check it out.

—Matt Barber

Volleyball tied for third

BY JOE ANGLIA

Sports Writer

Last week the Xavier volleyball team hit the road to try to extend their winning streak against Atlantic 10 foes George Washington and Fordham.

The Lady Musketeers ran into trouble against George Washington, losing the match and their seven game winning streak, but rebounded against Fordham and returned home having split the two matches.

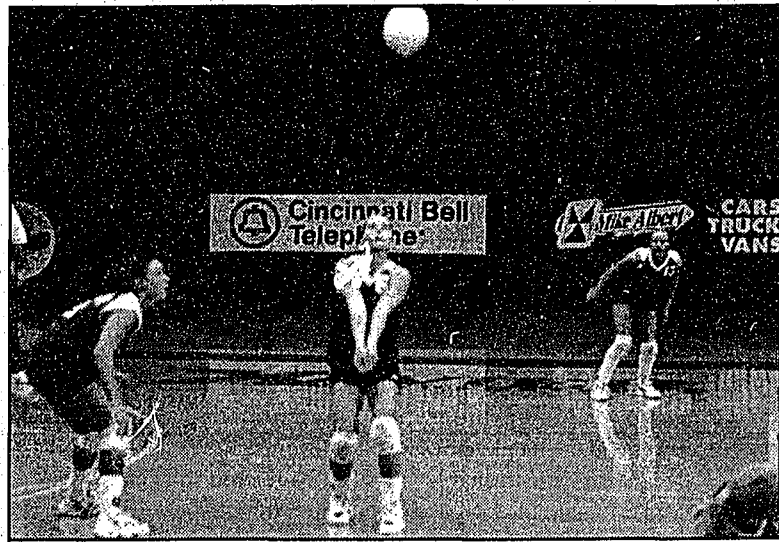
G. WASHINGTON DEF. XU 15-5, 13-15, 15-5, 15-6

On Oct. 23, the XU women opened their road trip in Washington, D.C., to take on the Colonials. The Musketeers had suffered a tough loss to George Washington early in the season. In that match, XU had established a 2-1 lead before dropping the fourth and fifth game. They hoped to avoid the same fate this time, and avenge their earlier loss.

The Colonials, however, came out ready to play and pounded the Lady Muskies 15-5. The XU women would respond though, and played the second game to an eventual 15-13 win. The hard fought win seemed to be the momentum builder the team needed, but George Washington was unwilling to concede the match.

The Colonials responded by overpowering the Lady Muskies 15-5 and 15-6 in the next two games. The loss not only knocked the XU women's record to 11-8 with an 8-3 record in the A-10, but gave them their second conference loss to the Colonials. With the win, George Washington improved to 13-7 (7-4 in A-10 play).

Junior Beth Osterday recorded nine kills and 12 digs in the losing effort to lead the team. She was followed by freshmen Jill Hampton and Sara Bachus with eight kills a



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY DON RALEIGH

Junior Beth Osterday (center) prepares to pass the ball.

piece. Senior Cara Espelage recorded 32 assists, while junior Kelly Williams helped out on defense, coming up with 11 digs.

XAVIER DEF. FORDHAM 12-15, 15-8, 15-3, 15-13

Hoping to salvage the road trip with a win, the women traveled to the Bronx the next night to take on Fordham University. In their first contest, the Lady Musketeers took the match in 3 games. This time, though, the Rams would prove a tougher opponent.

Xavier came out slow and was ambushed by a fired-up Fordham team. The Rams took advantage of the XU women, and won the first game 15-12. The Lady Musketeers readjusted and came out in game two determined to avoid another loss on their trip. They executed well, and defeated the Rams soundly in the next two games, 15-8 and 15-3.

The fourth game would a tougher finale than expected, yet the XU women finished off the Rams in game four, 15-13. The win improved the Lady Muskies to 9-3 in the A-10 with a 12-8 overall record.

Leading the way for the XU women were the freshman duo of

Hampton and Bachus. Hampton led the team in kills with 20, while Bachus followed with a double-double (18 kills and 13 digs). Osterday recorded 10 kills to complement a team-high 16 digs. Espelage distributed the ball skillfully, recording 59 assists.

The XU women's remaining eight games (four at home and four on the road) will be must-win situations, as all eight games are against Atlantic 10 opponents. These games will prove vital in their quest for the A-10 title.

At 7:30 p.m. this Friday and Saturday, the Lady Muskies will play host to Temple and La Salle in the Schmidt Fieldhouse.

On Oct. 30 against Temple, there will be a T-shirt giveaway to the first 50 XU students in attendance. All faculty, staff and family members will be admitted free. Also, Friday will be Residence Life Night. There will be a pizza party for the residence hall floor with the highest attendance.

The match on Oct. 31 against La Salle is Muskie Massacre Night. If the XU women win in 60 minutes or less, all in attendance will be admitted free to either of the last two home games (Nov. 20 and 21).

Rangers fight to sixth place finish

BY DAN ALBERTSON

Guest Writer

After placing first in the region, the Xavier Ranger Challenge team competed for the national title in the Third Brigade Ranger Challenge at Fort Knox, Ky., this past weekend, placing sixth overall.

Competing against 33 other teams, Xavier scored 2,200 points out of a possible 3,000, just 150 points out of first place. XU won the weapons assembly competition,

finished second in the 10 kilometer road march and came in third in the physical fitness test.

Other events included rifle marksmanship, one-rope bridge, orienteering, patrolling and the hand-grenade assault course.

The team consisted of cadets: juniors Dan Albertson (captain), Matt Wagoner, Bob Perrich and Nat Durant; sophomores Jason Blineaner, John Ellerbrock, Matt Geiman, Jason Riddle, Jason Bray

and Shaun McGough and freshmen Lucas Fischer, Caleb Landry and Brian Looney. Capt. Young Hahn and Sgt. 1st Class John Tucker acted as advisers.

"I was really proud of the way we handled ourselves this weekend. Had we not caught a couple of tough breaks, we could have easily taken first," said Albertson.

All 10 members, who began training before the fall semester, will return next year.

Atlantic 10 Standings					
through Oct. 25					
Volleyball		Men's Soccer		Women's Soccer	
	A-10 Overall		A-10 Overall		A-10 Overall
Temple	10-2 14-6	Dayton	8-1-0 10-7-0	Dayton	5-2-0 12-4-0
Dayton	10-2 17-5	St. Bonaventure	7-2-0 10-4-1	G. Washington	7-2-0 9-8-0
Xavier	9-3 12-8	Fordham	6-3-0 10-6-1	Xavier	6-2-1 8-6-2
Virginia Tech	9-1 14-6	Xavier	6-3-0 10-8-0	Massachusetts	6-3-0 10-9-0
G. Washington	7-5 13-8	Virginia Tech	5-3-1 8-8-1	Rhode Island	5-4-0 10-5-0
Rhode Island	7-5 13-6	Rhode Island	5-3-1 8-7-1	St. Bonaventure	4-4-1 8-7-1
Massachusetts	7-5 10-12	Temple	5-4-0 5-10-1	St. Joseph's	4-5-0 9-7-1
La Salle	5-9 13-10	G. Washington	2-5-2 3-12-2	Virginia Tech	4-5-0 8-8-1
Fordham	2-10 2-15	La Salle	2-6-3 5-11-1	Duquesne	3-5-1 8-7-1
Duquesne	2-10 7-12	Massachusetts	2-6-1 2-12-2	La Salle	2-9-0 5-9-2
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		St. Joseph's	1-10-0 3-14-0	Temple	1-2-0 6-11-0

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FRIDAY, OCT. 30

- WOMEN'S SOCCER AT FORDHAM AT 4 P.M.
- MEN'S SOCCER VS. FORDHAM AT 7 P.M.
- VOLLEYBALL VS. TEMPLE AT 7:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, OCT. 31

- VOLLEYBALL VS. LA SALLE AT 7:30 P.M.
- RIFLE VS. UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE AT MARTIN AT 9 A.M.
- MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AT BUTLER AT NOON

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The Lady Musketeers will look to climb further up the Atlantic 10 standings when first-place Temple visits Schmidt Fieldhouse on Friday. The first 50 students at the game will receive Xavier volleyball T-shirts. So travel over to the Fieldhouse and help the volleyball team rock the Owls.

Women's soccer remains in third

XU needs one win to clinch Atlantic 10 Tournament berth

BY MATT MADGES
Assistant Sports Editor

After going 1-1 in Atlantic 10 action last weekend, the Xavier women's soccer team needs one victory in its last two games to gain a spot in the conference tournament. The team is in third place in the A-10 with only the top four teams moving on to post-season action.

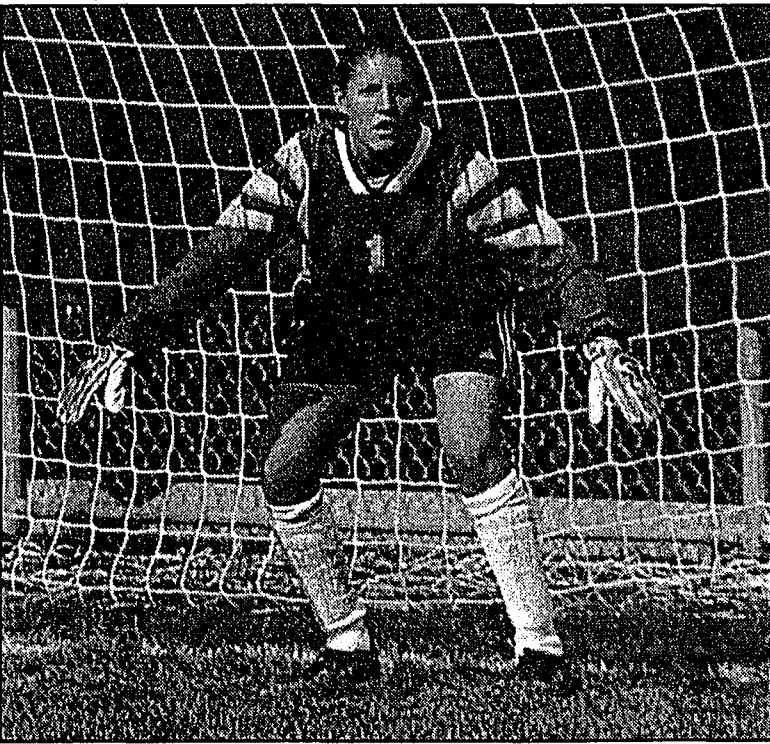
XAVIER 1, VIRGINIA TECH 0

Xavier entered Friday's game against Virginia Tech on a seven-game unbeaten streak which had vaulted the team into third place in the conference. VTech arrived at Corcoran Field in a tie with Massachusetts for fourth place in the conference standings, four points behind the Lady Musketeers.

Minutes before the scheduled start, the game was delayed awaiting the arrival of the referees, who were stuck in traffic. The game began at about 7:40 p.m. after a 40 minute delay.

Once the game finally began, XU came out slow and was struggling to pressure the Lady Hokies. The team was not able to put a string of passes together and found it difficult to keep possession of the ball.

"We didn't go throughout pre-game ritual and then start the way we normally start," said senior midfielder Colleen Savage. "Maybe it (the delay) slowed us down a little."



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY BILL TERRY

Senior goalkeeper Ann Marie Hubbard recorded her fourth shutout of the season in Friday's 1-0 victory over Virginia Tech.

Xavier was able to dodge its early difficulties, however, due to VTech not being able to apply much pressure either. The women entered halftime with a 7-3 advantage in shots, but found themselves in a scoreless tie.

"In the first half, we were rushing everything and kicking the ball for no reason," said Savage. "We were not playing the way we know how to play."

Xavier refocused at halftime and came out a different squad in the second half. Right from the beginning of play, the women provided

constant pressure on the Lady Hokies.

In the 76th minute, the women's pressure paid off when sophomore forward Annette Gruber scored off an assist from Savage. The goal put XU up 1-0 and would later prove to be the game-winner.

"I was wide open in the middle and I knew nobody was on me so if I could just get the ball," said Gruber.

The goal was Gruber's 10th for the season and seventh in her last four games. It was also her fourth game-winning goal of the season.

"I am just trying to get my shots off and it's a good thing they are going in right now," said Gruber.

The Xavier defense played strong for the last 14 minutes of the game to secure the 1-0 victory for the Lady Musketeers. The win moved XU to 6-1-1 in the conference and 8-5-2 overall.

Senior goalkeeper Ann Marie Hubbard recorded the shutout, which was her fourth of the season. Hubbard faced nine shots in the game while Xavier was able to amass 19 shots.

With the victory, the women extended their unbeaten streak to eight games. Also, as a result of the win, Xavier passed George Washington in the standings due to GW's 2-1 loss to conference leading Dayton on Friday.

Friday's outcomes set the stage for a showdown at Corcoran Field on Sunday between second place XU and third place GW.

for both squads, with the winner gaining sole possession of second place in the conference standings. A win for Xavier would also clinch a spot in the 1998 A-10 Tournament.

Sunday was senior day, the last home game of the season for the women. In pre-game ceremonies, seven seniors were honored for their accomplishments and dedication over the last four years. The honorees included Holly Grow, Keri Heedum, Ann Marie Hubbard, Karen Kase, Amy Lemon, Colleen Savage and Regan Thaler.

As a show of gratitude to the seniors, head coach Ron Quinn had all seven in the starting lineup. Because Hubbard and Kase are both goalkeepers for the Lady Musketeers, Kase started the game at forward.

"It was good for everybody to be on the field at the same time after four years," said Kase.

The seniors led the way for the women as the team came out strong to start the game. The team had opportunities early on, but was unable to capitalize.

After the initial surge by XU, the game equalized into a fast-paced battle. Neither team was able to dominate play and the first half ended in a scoreless tie. Xavier outshot GW 5-4 in the half.

The second half contained much of the same up-and-down pressure; however, each side had more scoring opportunities than they had had in the first half. With just under 34 minutes left in the game, Xavier had a great scoring opportunity when junior Amy Reinshagen sent a shot over the GW goalie, but the shot ricocheted off the crossbar and was cleared.

GW countered Xavier's opportunity when they put three shots on net at the 67:17 mark of the game. However, the shots were turned away by goalkeeper Kase and defender Grow. Kase started the second half in goal for the Lady Musketeers after her time at forward in the first half.

With 17:16 left in the contest, Xavier had its best scoring chance when Savage sent a ball into the GW net. However, the goal was not counted due to an XU foul right before the shot. The game remained knotted at zero.

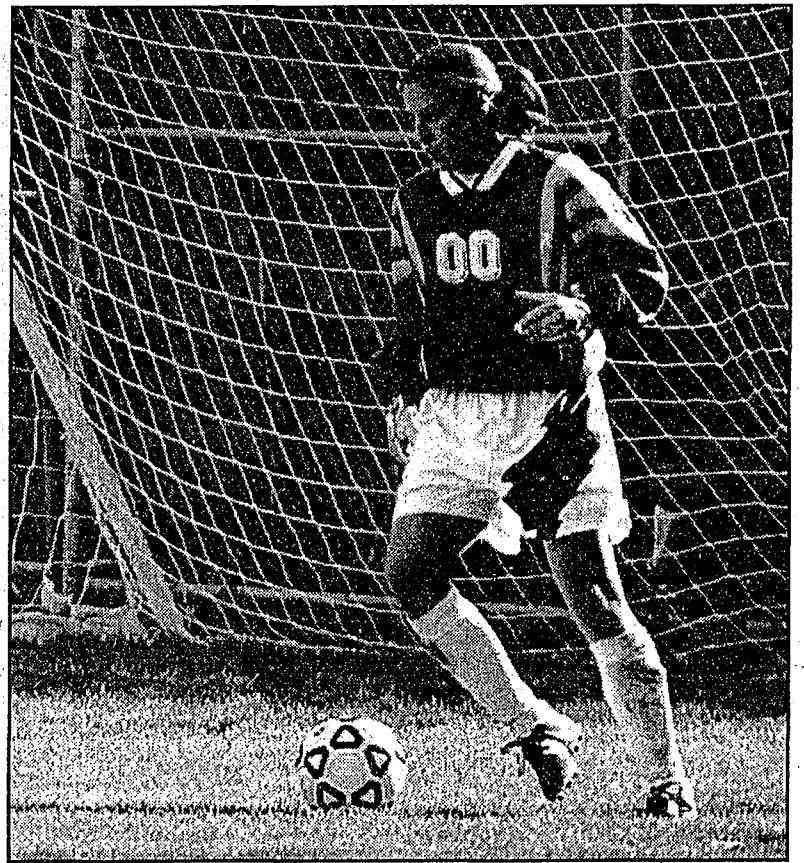
"We had the opportunities and we should have capitalized, but we didn't," said Savage. "It happens, that's soccer."

Then with 5:02 left in the game, GW junior Katy McQuillin scored on a header off of a cross from senior Jane Anderson. The goal gave the Lady Colonials a 1-0 lead and the goal would prove to be the game-winner.

"They had an opportunity and they capitalized," said Savage. "We let down for a minute and they scored."

Sophomore Erin Coley led the Lady Musketeers with three shots in the game and the women outshot GW 13-11 overall.

"It was really anybody's game," said freshman defender Liz Singer.



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY BILL TERRY

Senior goalkeeper Karen Kase started Sunday against George Washington at forward.

"We were unlucky, but tried our hardest."

With the loss, Xavier dropped to third place in the A-10 standings while GW jumped into second. Depending on the outcomes of next weekend's conference games, there is a good chance that XU will meet GW again in the first round of the conference tournament.

"We have to take care of next weekend first and we will," said Kase. "They've (George Washing-

ton) had our number in the past, but I think its time we got their number."

NEXT FOR XAVIER:

Xavier enters the last weekend of the season needing one win to clinch a spot in the conference tournament. The victory will have to come on the road as the women travel to Fordham on Friday and then La Salle on Sunday.

Falcons sink XU

BY MATT BARBER
Sports Editor

The men's and women's swim teams continued their dual meet schedule this past weekend at Bowling Green State University. Although the Falcons topped the Musketeers in the team scores, the Xavier swimmers turned in some outstanding performances.

In the men's competition, XU came out on the short end by only a few points, losing 116-92. Xavier had first places in five events, the 200 fly, 200 back, 500 free, 200 breast and 200 free relay.

In the 50 free, sophomore Louis Dissel was the top Musketeer, finishing third with a time of 22:97. Junior Scott Cain turned in a 4:36.65 in the 400 individual medley, which was good for third place, and was the top XU swimmer in that event.

Junior Andy Nixon's 2:04.88 earned him a first place in the 200 fly. In the 200 back, Musketeers took the top two places as the tandem of freshman Scott Webster (2:05.85) and Cain (2:06.82) finished first and second respectively.

Freshman Geoff Brown won the 500 free for Xavier in 4:56.17. Junior Paul Wilcheck took home first place in the 200 breast with a

time of 2:21.31, and the 200 free relay teams of Dissel, Cain, Webster and Brown (1:30.37) and Bloomfield, senior Martin Hart, senior Pat Wolf and freshman Patrick Dehoff (1:37.18) finished first and second respectively.

The women scored 56 points to BGSU's 141, but they had two event winners in the 500 free and the 200 breast.

The women had their first winner of the day in junior Jan Feichtner, who is also a member of the cross country team and will be running at the Atlantic 10 Championships next weekend in Philadelphia. Feichtner swam a 5:31.59 in the 500 free to place first. She was followed by Broache in third place at 5:43.51.

The big race for the Musketeers was the 200 breast in which Xavier swept the top three spots. They went to Wilson (2:35.04), sophomore Rachel Reilly (2:40.75) and McDonald (2:41.53).

The 200 free relay team of Kensill, senior Sarah Wayne, Feichtner and freshman Karen Nicolai finished second in 1:48.90.

Both teams will be swimming against Butler on Saturday in Indianapolis before their next home meet with Louisville on Nov. 6.

Men drop to third place Golf ends season

XU offense struggles in two weekend losses Ries finishes tied for second

BY BILL HUGHES

Sports Writer

The men's soccer team began play last weekend tied for first place in the Atlantic 10 conference standings. However, the team struggled over the weekend, losing two road conference games, dropping them into a tie for third place in the A-10.

VIRGINIA TECH 2, XU 1

On Friday, the XU men faced a strong Virginia Tech team (8-7-1). Xavier was coming off a tough loss to Rhode Island and needed a win to bring the team back on track.

Virginia Tech took advantage early with a goal in the seventh minute off a rebounded shot on goal. The Musketeers were held scoreless in the first half as both teams showed outstanding defensive play. Junior goalkeeper Paul Wesseling recorded six saves in the first half to keep the score at 1-0.

The tough defensive battle continued throughout the second half. It was not until the 79th minute that freshman forward Mike Kelley scored off an assist from senior forward Chas Cooke.

With the shift in momentum, Xavier was in position to take the



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY BILL TERRY

Junior David Spaccarelli heads the ball.

lead with ten minutes left on the clock. Tech, however, shot down the Musketeers chances of victory with a goal in the 82nd minute.

G. WASHINGTON 2, XU 1

The XU men's tough 2-1 loss to Tech placed more importance on Sunday's match-up against the George Washington Colonials (3-12-2). The Colonials' weak conference standings made Xavier the favorite going into the game.

George Washington scored early in the eighth minute of play off a rocket shot that was nearly stopped by Wesseling.

It was not until the 41st minute that Xavier got on the board when Cooke scored with an assist from Kelley. This was the second time the duo connected for a goal over the weekend.

The score was 1-1 going into the second half and the Musketeers needed to get their offense on track.

Xavier was unable to do so. With only five shots on goal in the second half, the team's defensive play was once again the focus of attention. Neither team allowed a goal in second half, sending the game into overtime tied 1-1.

In overtime, Xavier picked up their offensive attack with six shots on goal, but was unable to connect.

The Colonials scored in the 102nd minute of play with an unassisted goal to put an end to the battle.

The devastating 2-1 loss to George Washington ties the men for third place in the A-10 behind Dayton and St. Bonaventure.

The Muskies will try to get back to their winning ways when they face the Fordham Rams on Friday at 7 p.m. and the La Salle Explorers on Sunday at 1 p.m. on Corcoran Field.

BY MATT MADGES

Assistant Sports Editor

The Xavier men's and women's golf teams concluded the fall portion of their respective seasons last week. The men's team finished in third place at the Persimmon Ridge Intercollegiate on Oct. 19-20. The women finished 10th out of 13 teams in the Bonita Bay Invitational on Oct. 23-24 in Bonita Bay, Fl.

The men finished nine shots behind tournament champion Illinois and only one shot out of second place.

The top finisher for the men was senior Michael Ries, who tied for second place in the tournament. Ries was four-over-par (148) for the two-day event and finished two shots behind tournament medallist D.A. Points of Illinois.

Other contributing Musketeers included sophomore Tim Donovan (154), sophomore Jeff Marr (155), senior Steve Dixon (156) and freshman Brian Fehling (157).

The women's golf team amassed a 325 for the 18-hole event that put them 22 shots behind tournament champion Wisconsin.

Leading the way for the Lady Musketeers were sophomores Melissa Beck and Paula Greening, who tied for ninth place overall with a 77.

Other contributors for the women included freshman Kim Farrell (85), senior Christy Fout (86) and sophomore Chaley Peelle (91).

Both the men's and women's teams have concluded the fall portions of their 1998-99 schedules and will resume action in the spring.

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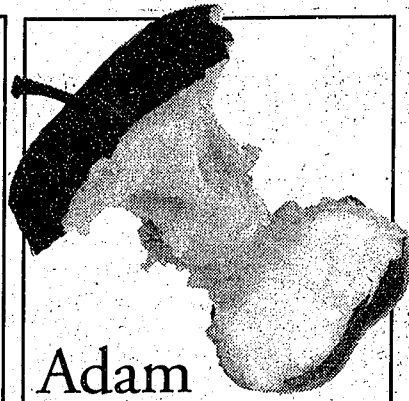
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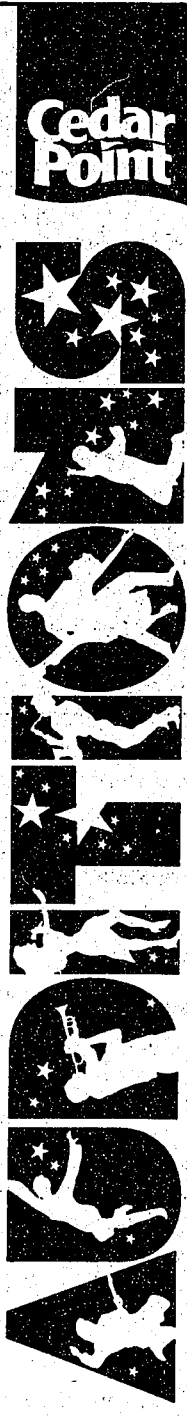
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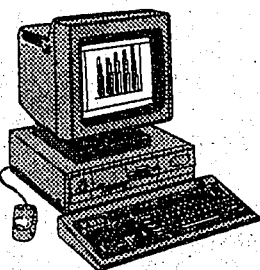
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Born in Hernando, Miss., Brown overcame rheumatoid arthritis to become one of the most original and well-known piano players of his time.

'Evita' in town

The Fifth Third Bank Broadway Series Presents the Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber musical 'Evita' at the Aronoff Center for the Arts, Dec. 1-13. Performances: Tuesdays through Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Tickets go on sale Thursday, Oct. 22, ranging from \$30.50 to \$59. Tickets are available at the Broadway Series Office, the Aronoff Center and Music Hall Box Offices, or any Ticketmaster outlet. For more info, visit the Broadway Series website at www.broadwayseries.com.

The Charts

This week's top 10 from the Billboard "Hot 100" Singles:

- 1) "The First Night" **Monica**
- 2) "One Week" **Barenaked Ladies**
- 3) "How Deep Is Your Love" **Dru Hill Featuring Redman**
- 4) "Crush" **Jennifer Paige**
- 5) "I Don't Want To Miss A Thing" **Aerosmith**
- 6) "Lately" **Divine**
- 7) "Because of You" **98 Degrees**
- 8) "This Kiss" **Faith Hill**
- 9) "I'll Be" **Edwin McCain**
- 10) "My Little Secret" **Xscape**

This week's top 10 albums from the Billboard 200:

- 1) **Jay-Z, Vol. 2 ... Hard Knock Life**
- 2) **Lauryn Hill, The Miseducation Of Lauryn Hill**
- 3) **Shania Twain, Come on Over**
- 4) **'N Sync, 'N Sync**
- 5) **Outkast, Aquemini**
- 6) **Sheryl Crow, The Globe Sessions**
- 7) **Barenaked Ladies, Stunt**
- 8) **Soundtrack, Rush Hour**
- 9) **Backstreet Boys, Backstreet Boys**
- 10) **Dixie Chicks, Wide Open Spaces**

New Releases

The following were due for release on Oct. 27:

Bryan Adams, On A Day Like Today (A&M) ... The Afghan Whigs, 1965 (Columbia) ... Babyface, Christmas With (Epic) ... Jello Biafra, If Evolution Is Outlawed, Only Outlaws Will Evolve (Alternative Tentacles) ... Big Daddy Kane, Veteranz Day (Mercury) ... Neil Diamond, The Movie Album (As Time Goes By) (Columbia) ... Dru Hill, Enter the Dru (Island) ... Philip Glass, Koyaanisqatsi (Nonesuch) ... Norm McDonald, Comedy Album (Mercury) ... Nada Surf, The Proximity Effect (Elektra) ... Phish, The Story of the Ghost (Elektra) ... Squirrel Nut Zippers, Christmas Caravan (Mammoth) ... Take 6, So Cool (Reprise) ... Usher, My World, My Way (Arista) ... R.E.M., Up (Warner Bros.) ...

... all dates are tentative.

Live Wires

Thursday, Oct. 29
Lyle Lovett
@ The Taft Theatre

Friday, Oct. 30
Less than Jake
w/ **Snuff**
and **All**
@ Bogart's

Saturday, Oct. 31
The Suicide Machines
w/ **Avail**
@ Bogart's

Wednesday, Nov. 4
Mary Chapin Carpenter
w/ **Catie Curtis**
@ Cincinnati Music Hall

— CONCERT REVIEW —

Declaration of Independents

THE TOASTERS, THE SKOIDATS AND SLOW GHERKIN FIGHT FOR THEIR RIGHTS

BY LAUREN MOSKO
Diversions Editor

Last Sunday was Independents' Day at Bogart's; and The Toasters, Slow Gherkin, The Skoidats and Deals Gone Bad led the fight to "claim back what has always belonged to us." The Independents Day Tour is about the power of independent music and the voice of the fans, not the corporate entities which seem to control the industry.

The Chicago band, Deals Gone Bad, kicked off the ska-fest. The band was made up of a guitarist, bassist, drummer, keyboardist, vocalist and two saxophone players.

The stage presence of the keyboardist, guitar player and vocalist was good, but the rest were non-performers. There was virtually no variety in the introduction or finish of each song; so it all seemed to run together. I'd be lying if I said that Deals Gone Bad wasn't talented, but they could have played one song for the same effect.

Next up was Slow Gherkin, a group of nine guys from Santa Cruz, Calif. In sharp contrast to the previous band, Slow Gherkin came out pumped up; the members never stopped moving — jump kicking and strutting all over the stage.

The band consisted of two guitarists, a bassist, a keyboardist, a drummer, two saxophone players, a trombone player and a trumpet player. This huge crew seemed even more impressive because they lined up along the front of the stage for most of the set.

There is absolutely nothing slow



PHOTO COURTESY OF MOON SKA RECORDS

The Toasters and their independent label, Moon Ska Records, are waging a war for independents.

about Slow Gherkin; their energy was inexhaustible. Each member sang and danced with stage antics which kept me entertained. For example, one sax player's microphone stand was knocked over while he was playing and dancing, so he knelt down and played into it as it laid on stage.

Songs from their latest release *Shed Some Skin* highlighted the set, including the album's title track, "Turned Off" and "Left Behind."

After the Toasters, of course, Slow Gherkin was easily the best band to play and certainly the most vibrant.

The third band to play was the Skoidats from Missoula, Mont. This five-man band featured much more prominent guitar and a heavy-metal vocal line, but the trombone and sax players held their own.

This was my least favorite band, probably because I am not a skinhead, like the band members. The music was good, but the vocal

line was nothing but noise. The amount of profanity in the lyrics got a little old because it was for image rather than emphasis.

Surprisingly, the crowd was more responsive to The Skoidats than the previous two bands, but I suppose it's just a matter of taste.

Finally, The Toasters took the stage and those who opted to stay out late on a school night got to see what ska is really about.

A few microphone difficulties at the beginning of the set threatened the band, but they continued, undaunted. They communicated well with the crowd and even let a couple of parents on stage to dance.

Songs from their latest release *Don't Let the Bastards Grind You Down* like the title track, "Fire in My Soul," "Weekend in L.A." and "I'm Running Right Through the World" got a great crowd response. Classics like "Two-Tone Army" made the ska-lovers in conservative Cincinnati shake all that God gave them.

The encore was one of the most exciting parts because the horn sections from Slow Gherkin and The Skoidats were invited back on stage to play together, creating a seven-man horn section.

The Independents Day Tour provided a night of unrelenting ska, but didn't leave without passing on its message: long after the corporates are gone the independents and the fans will still be around.



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Nothing slow about Slow Gherkin



The Toasters
Don't Let the Bastards Grind You Down
(Moon Ska)

The Toasters continue to prove they have mastered the perfect blend of keyboards, horns, drums and guitar on their newest release, *Don't Let the Bastards Grind You Down*.

Part of what makes this band great is the confidence they exude. The Toasters are in touch with their ska roots, but they are confident

enough to welcome innovation.

The title track is an example of the combination of traditional ska instrumentation and vocal innovation. The song's original vocal line (courtesy of Rob Hingley, frontman and founder of Moon Ska Records) is complemented by the addition of a rasta/reggae vocal line that ignites the already up-tempo tune. Hingley's distinct voice blends well with the music, becoming an instrument in itself and not just another layer to the song (this is true for all of their songs, though). The lyrics further strengthen the track and set the tone for the CD: "Cuz I won't play ball, won't do as I'm told / I'd rather be a round peg in a square hole ..."

"Devil and a .45" is an autobiographical anthem for all the ska boys, and is just generally a really fun song. ("I was two years old, I was barely alive / already cruising 'bout with the Devil and a .45 ...")

Both coasts are represented on this album in "Underground Town" (a.k.a. New York) and "Weekend in L.A." Both tracks are satisfying high points to the disc, though "L.A." is much faster.

Of course, the album wouldn't be complete without a few instrumentals. "Jackie Chan" featuring trombonist Rick Faulkner, "Big Red" featuring saxophonist Fred Reiter and "Rhythm and Pain" featuring keyboardist Dave Barry successfully round out the album and underscore the true musical prowess of these guys.

Nothing else can be said to emphasize the validity of this album in the face of the many ska-wannabe bands out there today (you know who you are) except that the music of the Toasters is what the forefathers of ska intended.

— Lauren Mosko
Diversions Editor

Ibsen's 'Doll House' is not a home

BY JAY KALAGAYAN
Diversions Writer

THE PLOT (THICKENS)

Protected from the world in her upper-class home, Nora Helmer has borne her older husband, Torvald, three children and ministered to his every need, including forging her dying father's name to a loan so the couple could go on vacation.

When he learns of the forgery, Torvald erupts into a rage, shocking Nora into confronting her husband's true self, as well as her own.

THE GOOD

"A Doll's House" is one of the classics of drama. At the time of its first production in the 1870s, it was both hailed and condemned for its realistic dialogue and perspective on women's subjugation.

The Playhouse in the Park has produced a great reproduction of this classic play. The role of Nora Helmer is well-played by actress Natacha Roi. The actress accomplishes the challenge of portraying two very different faces of her character's personality.

Other interesting characters include Nora's husband, Torvald Helmer, played by Tim Monsion. Torvald treats his wife as a possession, with the condescending manner one would reserve for a pet. His patronizing remarks about Nora's helplessness and femininity make today's politically correct audience cringe. However, Torvald believes

he is the sole provider of his family. This is contradicted by Nora's secret. It was pleasurable to see his posturing, knowing his ignorance of the truth.

Another standout is the character of Dr. Rank, a friend of the couple, played well by Julian Gamble. Like the others, Dr. Rank has his tragic tale; he is dying. However, Rank's story is quipped with his dry humor. His acceptance of his condition and his secret love for Nora is heart-warming and, at times, more interesting than the main plotline.

Lighting and set design combined to form a great stage. Lighting effects revealed hidden offices and a most disturbing sunset in act two.

Costume designer Karin Kopischke did a fantastic job with the characters' wardrobes. Highlights included Torvald's dashing cloak and Nora's three different, yet equally stunning, outfits.

THE BAD

This is The Playhouse's second play in a row that is over a hundred years old. "The Importance of Being Earnest" was the first installment of "the century club," and following "A Doll's House" in the Marx Theatre will be "A Christmas Carol." Is the only refuge for plays less than a century old the Shelterhouse? Maybe the Ensemble?

The final scene of the play was unsatisfactory. Torvald's reaction

to Nora's forged loan was well done. His anger and action reveals himself as disdainful toward her. Nora discovers she does not love Torvald; she decides to leave. The ensuing dialogue between Nora and Torvald is forced, focusing on too many wordy explanations of her actions.

The moment Nora transforms into a truly different person is done so quickly, it's missed. The new Nora alienates the audience as we observe this stranger discuss her individuality and rights.

THE UGLY

The set floor, with patchwork Victorian rugs covering the Helmer's flat, did not reflect a family on the rise, but a carpet store. The layering of mismatched carpets as trails to point out hallways all seemed a tad far-fetched.

The gowns of Nora Helmer were nicely designed but in the enclosed space of the Helmer's flat, the train of her dress seemed to take on a character of its own.

The end of her gown whipped the bases of the Christmas trees and was almost caught on a rocking horse.

Roi almost tripped on the many-layered gown (or maybe it was the layered carpet), but she recovered well.

THE SKINNY

"A Doll's House" is a fine addition to The Playhouse in the Park's roster.

The play, with its universal



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE PLAYHOUSE IN THE PARK

Nora (played by Natacha Roi, right) and her husband, Torvald (Tim Monsion) share an intimate moment in a scene from "A Doll's House."

premise of the individuals' search for identity, has endured.

This enduring classic is a "must see" for theater audiences and aspiring theater-rats.

The play has a running time of two and a half hours, so those audience members with no patience should leave the good seats for

those who plan on staying for the whole production.

"A Doll's House" by Henrik Ibsen will run until Nov. 20. For more information call 421-3888.

Charnin's 'Annie' hits a sour note

UNCONVINCING CHARACTERS AND DISAPPOINTING PRODUCTION RUIN THE STORY OF EVERYONE'S FAVORITE ORPHAN

BY AARON BREFORD
Diversions Writer

"The sun'll come out tomorrow..." Unfortunately, it felt as though tomorrow would never come during the Broadway series' plodding performance of "Annie" at the Aronoff Center.

The production's painful pace and absence of chemistry among the cast members, coupled with pedestrian staging and characterization, marks a disappointing production from director Martin Charnin.

The familiar story of the hopeful orphan waiting to be reclaimed by her parents evokes a positive reaction without respect to the caliber of the production.

The musical "Annie" is heart-warming and charming, but it is fair to expect better execution from the folks from NYC. For \$36-\$60 a pop, it should have been a lot better.

The play begins in a dilapidated bedroom in the orphanage. The girls dream about the future and complain about their wicked guardian, Miss Hannigan, played by Sally Struthers.

Struthers has answered for us that age old question: "Where do 'has been' TV stars go to die?"

Answer: They go on off-Broadway tours of Broadway hits.

Struthers' characterization of Miss Hannigan was immature and underdeveloped. She displayed very little depth of character and relied on failed attempts at cheap humor to rescue her.

She did come to life a bit during the big ragtime number, "Easy Street," a song about swindling your way into the easy life which Miss Hannigan sings with her ex-con brother, Rooster (Laurent Giroux).

Giroux could have easily renamed the character from "Rooster" to "Chicken." Rather than commanding the stage with his bawdy "cock-a-doodle-doo," Giroux just clucked a little.

Definitely not a "triple threat," Giroux was clearly cast in the role as a singer and dancer, not as an actor.

This fact became increasingly compelling as the play unfolded. His character and his female counterpart were clearly cast as dancers and yet, except for that song, the play was completely devoid of any real choreography.

The program listed Peter Gennaro as the choreographer for this production. That must be the fellow who got paid a whole lot of dough for doing absolutely nothing.

The play wasn't a complete disaster. Conrad John Schuck as

Oliver "Daddy" Warbucks was a joy to see on stage. In many ways, he rescued the production. His portrayal of the self-made, hard-nosed billionaire turned soft by a cute little orphan was heartsy and honest. It would be very exciting to see him play this part with a different cast.

Brittney Kissinger as Annie was a disappointment as well. She definitely had the lungs to sing the part and perhaps that is why she was cast in the role.

Unfortunately, she didn't dance and can't act. Even for a child, her interpretation of the character of Annie was shallow and distracting. To be honest, she was mean.

In the scene where she tells Warbucks that she doesn't want him to adopt her because she believes her parents will still claim her, she unleashes a scathing attitude on him that made the viewer feel sorry for Warbucks and want to send Annie to her room.

While the production had its moments, it just doesn't match up to the level of excellence that I have come to expect from the Broadway Series.

The actual book and score are marvelous and I once thought, "you can't go wrong with Annie." I am now forced to amend that statement: "You can't go wrong with 'Annie' unless you mount an ama-



PHOTO COURTESY OF BROADWAY SERIES

Brittney Kissinger plays the title role in the new 20th anniversary production of the musical "Annie" alongside her lovable dog Sandy. Also starring are Sally Struthers as Miss Hannigan and Conrad John Schuck as Daddy Warbucks.

teur caliber production and charge \$60 a head ... then you have gone wrong somewhere."

"Annie" is playing now through

Nov. 1 at the Aronoff Center. For tickets, call 241-7369.

IN YOUR EAR



Various Artists
Pleasantville Soundtrack
(WORK / Sony Music)

The movie *Pleasantville* is about a town where the temperature is always mild, everyone on the basketball team is a star, and everything is in black and white. Likewise, the soundtrack hearkens us back to younger, gentler times when you could ride your bike down to the local soda fountain and listen to tunes on the jukebox for a nickel.

Listening to the *Pleasantville* soundtrack is a casual stroll back to time when life was simpler. With songs from old-school performers like Elvis, Miles Davis, and Buddy Holly and the Crickets, along with two covers by Fiona Apple, the *Pleasantville* soundtrack makes you want to dust off the old saddle shoes and bow tie. Unfortunately for vinyl fans, the old songs have been remastered to get rid of the old analog-style recording sounds.

Just to get this out of the way, I was a little disappointed by Fiona Apple's rendition of the Beatles' "Across the Universe." Still, I don't know if anyone could have covered that song and done justice to John, Paul, George and Ringo, so I suggest it was better left to the Fab Four.

Aside from the songs of some of the most famous crooners of yesterday, there are a few groovy instrumental tracks, including The Dave Brubeck Quartet's "Take Five," Miles Davis' "So What," and the stirring "Suite From Pleasantville," arranged by Randy Newman.

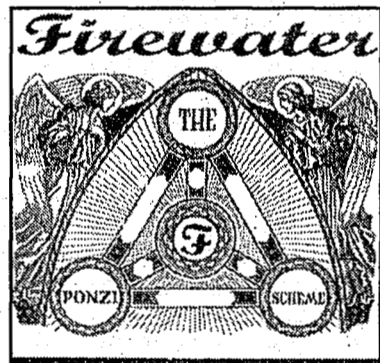
The overall impression I got from this album is that it was alto-

gether (surprise, surprise) pleasant; not bad, but a little tame.

Not being a tremendous fan of the music of the decade, I may not completely appreciate all that Pleasantville has to offer.

Still, the charm of this album is one in which the whole-is-greater-than-the-sum-of-its-parts interest, and it at least deserves a listen. If you like the '50s-'60s genre of music, then you will probably find it wonderful. However, if you aren't into the whole time period, then it will just take up space on your CD rack.

— Jonathan Mosko
Asst. Diversions Editor



Firewater
The Ponzi Scheme
(Jetset Records)

Indie super group, Firewater, is back and more complex than ever with their second album, *The Ponzi Scheme*. More in-depth than their 1996 debut, *Get Off The Cross, We Need the Wood for Fire*, *The Ponzi Scheme* is a strangely sarcastic, lyrical delve into metaphorical religion from singer Tod Ashley.

Ashley, formerly of New York's now defunct industrial hard core band, Cop Shoot Cop, formed Firewater three years ago while looking for a musical outlet a little less shallow than his former band. He sought out Duane Denison of the Jesus Lizard, Yuval Gabay of Soul Coughing and Hahn Rowe of Foetus, and the rest is history.

With titles such as "So Long, Superman" and "I Still Love You, Judas," *The Ponzi Scheme* attacks religious faith from Ashley's perspective while remaining humorous.

The album's title is a reference to an Italian immigrant, Charles Ponzi, who developed the pyramid "get-rich-quick" scheme which relies on people's gullibility. Ashley uses this as a metaphor for religion, which he believes operates in the same manner.

With lyrics like, "If there's a hell down below / I bet you see someone you know" from the track "Knock 'Em Down," this metaphor is present throughout the album.

Ashley's lyrics make the album all the more honest and real, far surpassing their debut album, which concentrated mostly on the subject of alcohol.

Firewater is an amazing band that combines all aspects of music, with each song vastly different from the next — a feat few bands have been able to accomplish. It is definitely a synergistic effort; the group's work on this project overshadows anything its members have done on their own.

— Todd Parkhurst,
Diversions Writer



Slow Gherkin
Shed Some Skin
(Asian Man Records)

It's true; the energy and emotion of punk and ska music can only be truly appreciated live. Nevertheless, the latest release from the Santa Cruz band Slow Gherkin, *Shed Some Skin*, is so musically and lyrically accomplished that you can begin to catch a glimpse at the amount of energy the band has.

Most songs start out with guitar and bass lines, characteristic of today's punk sound. However, the

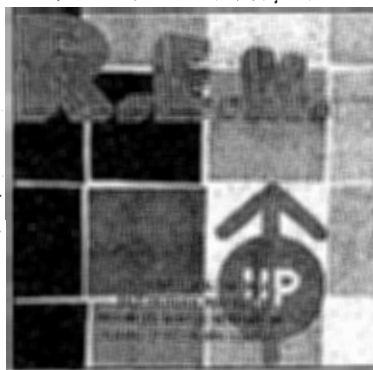
stunning horn section (two trumpets and a saxophone and a trombone) colors the music, creating a full-bodied punk-ska hybrid.

I was also very impressed with the intelligence of the lyrics. Many references to literature and philosophy were made throughout the album. In the title track, a reference to T.S. Eliot caught my ears: "Alone you walk the banks of Maine / As time runs out to write the second verse of 'The Lovesong of J. Alfred Prufrock' ..."

One of the best tracks on the album is "Turned Off," a song about the tragedy of 'roofies' (the date-rape drug). Lyrics like, "I'm a real human being / could have sworn I was free / liberated by the simple word 'no' / but now you've got your little white pills / and they're going to keep my legs open and my mouth closed ... you left me without a leg to stand on ..." are an emotive complement to music that is urgently stirring.

This is an excellent album from a band that promises good things in the future. However, it does not even begin to do their live performance justice. James Rickman's vocals overpower the disc, but in concert, most of the band sings, providing a more harmonious vocal line. The instrumental quality is nicely preserved, so the disc is still a good investment for punk and ska fans.

— Lauren Mosko, Diversions Editor



R.E.M.
Up
(Warner Bros.)

After taking a little time off, R.E.M. has released a brand new addition to an already prolific vol-

ume of musical work, the latest effort entitled *Up*.

Here's a fun fact: In addition to the usual R.E.M. complement, *Up* features Beck's Joey Waronker and The Screaming Trees' Barret Martin in the percussion section.

R.E.M. seems to be going in a completely different direction with this newest CD. *Up* doesn't remind one of much of their older work, and relies more on synthetic sound. Less pronounced are the classic guitars and musical texture of, say, *Automatic for the People*. *Up* has less heart and melody than work done several years ago.

In the alteration of musical styles, it seemed the song writing suffered a bit. Many of the songs were slow and left me stabbing at the fast-forward button.

Songs like "Sad Professor" and "Parakeet" just plain took too long, the seconds dragging on as I listened to lead singer Michael Stipe and tried to make sense of it all.

Some of the words just didn't make a lot of sense to me, like this part of track two, "Lotus," "I was hell / sarcastic silver swell / that day it rained / tough spun, hard won / no ocean flower aquarium." Hello?

Although *Up* was rather disappointing, there were a few bright spots, like the sentimental "At My Most Beautiful." "I read bad poetry into your machine / I save your messages just to hear your voice / you always listen carefully to awkward rhymes / you always say your name, like I wouldn't know it was you / at your most beautiful."

All in all, though, *Up* didn't make the grade. The worst part is, I know R.E.M. is capable of more than this. I'm hoping that after a little fine-tuning, R.E.M. can get back on track, making the music that made them famous.

— Jonathan Mosko
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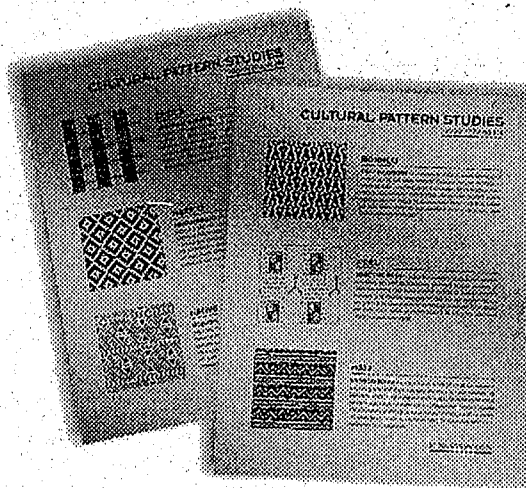
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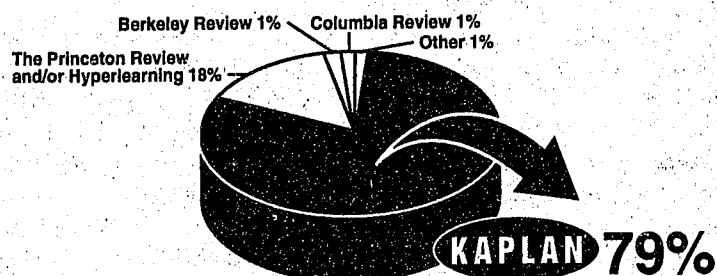
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WEDNESDAY

October 28

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Pax Christi is sponsoring a Peace Film Festival. The first film is "Romero," playing at 7 p.m. in Alter B-11. A discussion will follow.

THURSDAY

October 29

Here is some hot news for you: **Lyle Lovett** is playing at the **Taft Theatre** at 8 p.m. Don't kill yourself trying to get tickets to see this master of music playing, they aren't sold out yet.

The **senior outing** is not at Dana's tonight, but no need to worry, it is at a bar (since drinking is a common activity on Xavier's campus for seniors, most of whom are of the legal drinking age). Buses will be taking our future graduates to the **Yucatan Liquor Stand** for drink specials (\$1 imports and Sam Adams). Buses will be leaving campus beginning at 9:30 p.m. and the last bus will leave the bar at 1:30 a.m. You can do some serious damage in that amount of time with dollar beers. Be careful.

Please sing the following: You say it's your birthday. Well, **happy birthday to you.** Hope you don't party too much, cuz you know what happened last time. **And we won't take care of you,** cuz it's not your 21st.

The **best way to use this space** would be to advertise **Dana's** because the owners are Xavier alumni and are willing to help students with projects and learning very good lessons. If you are not attending senior night at the Liquor Stand, visit B.J. and the rest of the gang.

CALENDAR CITY

To place an item in the calendar, call 745-3122 or send it campus mail to ML 2129.

FRIDAY

October 30

College Friends are coming for a Halloween Party. Don't forget to decorate your hall (if you live in the overcrowded dorms). Don't make it too scary, we don't want kids screaming out of your wing like your last hook-up.

Some adults enjoy having toys because they enjoy the simple things in life (or are just easily entertained). Whatever the case, there is the **Toys for Adults** expo for those individuals at the **Convention Center** downtown from 4:30-10:30 p.m.

Men's soccer is playing Fordham at 7 p.m. The concession stand doesn't have hot cocoa, so bring your own brew in a Thermos or be forced to consume the unseasonal drinks available.

RHA is recreating **Howl at the Moon** in the **Grill**, starting at 7 p.m. The dueling pianos are playing at 7 p.m. and "Silence of the Lambs" at 9 p.m. The bar doesn't play movies, so this is better than the real thing. **Door prizes** and optional costumes (please no president or intern costumes) are part of the festivities.

There will be a spectacular **concert choir** performance in the University Center Theatre at 7:30 p.m. You don't want to miss this. It will blow you away.

The **volleyball team** has been doing really well and we want to think it is because of their great talent and the tremendous amount of support they are getting from the students. Keep up the good work (the team and fans) at the 7:30 p.m. game against **Temple**.

"Les Liaisons Dangereuses" is playing at the Aronoff Centre until Nov. 7.

Some colleges are known for their **Halloween parties**. Not everyone is able to make **road trips** to experience such drunken disorder. Thanks to all those who attempt to bring those crazy Halloween parties to Xavier (since it is a fact that drinking is part of the college life). Be careful, you never know who you are talking to under that mask.

SATURDAY

October 31

Happy Halloween! For all of those who are always wearing a mask, you are finally in season. And for the rest, here is your chance to scare the crap out of the people you despise. Please, do not **harm anyone**.

Another chance to support our excellent **volleyball team**. The girls are playing LaSalle at 7:30 p.m.

There is a **fall band concert** at 4 p.m. in the **University Center Theatre**. They will be playing a diverse selection of music with the symphonic winds, swing band and the Muskie Blues. This is your chance to become musically cultured. It is good for you, kind of like Campbell's soup is good for you, but in a mental sense.

Miami University (a.k.a. J. Crew U.) is really in style this season with **Tony Bennett** headlining at 8 p.m. It is times like these that you wish you had made the decision to be a drunk brother or an easy sister at Miami.

Feel like you're being watched?

The Warehouse presents "**Nightmare on Vine Street**," their sixth annual party. Don't understand why they are having a costume party since everyone there is **scary on regular nights**. There are prizes for the best costumes. Dressing as a single 21-year-old when you are really 36 and married with children would be a good costume.

Nightmare on Mainstreet '98 is Cincinnati's largest Halloween party, located in the heart of the Main Street Entertainment District. Put a white garbage bag over you and call yourself "**white trash**." Or, you could just be **Grover** (drinking would help with the voice). If you are the best costume you will be off to Jamaica. As with every party, there is music, food and beer from 5-11 p.m.

Trick or treat, smell my feet. Gotta be drunk to do that. Pass out treats to the neighborhood monsters (too bad they are like that every day). You can scare them, just don't give them anything from the keg. Those treats are saved for the **big kids**.

SUNDAY

November 1

The boys have become men, for the time being. The **muskie men** are playing **soccer** against LaSalle's little boys at 1 p.m. Finding a deep meaning behind the game of soccer could make it well worth your time, and the team will be supported at the same time. If that didn't make sense, then the chemicals in your brain need to be altered before reading it again.

What is it that you want most when you are at the end of the line? Perhaps something cold?

The University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music presents "Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches" at the Corbett Theatre at 2:30 p.m. (Sorry, can't say too much about UC.)

The Jazz Piano Series presents **Don Brown** (not to be mistaken for Don King or James Brown) at 7:30 p.m. in the **University Center Theatre**. Free to students with a valid Xavier ID.

All you can drink **green beer** from whoever is dumb enough to pay for it in 137 days.

MONDAY

November 2

This is the beginning of the intramural basketball tournament. Good luck to all those participating. The rest of you can go (out of the goodness of your heart) to support your friends. It's not as good as the real basketball games, but then again, maybe it's better.

Everyone's favorite musical, "**Cats**," is being broadcast on PBS at 8 p.m. Someone, somewhere, is happy about this announcement. You're welcome.

TUESDAY

November 3

Today is an important day. Before you go to the booths to vote (because it is **Election Day**), examine the issues you are voting on thoroughly. If it blows up in your face, **you will be blamed** for your support of that issue. And watch the people you vote for. It would be wise to research a full history of them before electing them to office.

The goodbye episode of the **Seattle Real World** is on at 10 p.m. Watch them all say good-bye, hopefully no one will get hit this time.

Feel like chicken tonight?

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