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## Onward to Victory (Darkway)



D'Artagnan, the Xavier Musketeer mascot, led the cheerleaders in this year's Homecoming Parade down Victory Parkway. Later that afternoon, the men's basketball team led Xavier to another victory over Maryland-Eastern Shore.

# Committee to tackle registration flaws 

BY SARAH KELLEY Senior News Editor

As a result of student and faculty complaints concerning Xavier's registration process and the high demand for classes with limited space, an ad hoc committee has been formed to discuss possible changes for the future.

The committee, which will meet in January, will include Academic Vice President Dr. James Bundschuh, Associate Vice President Dr. Carol Rankin, University Registrar Allen Cole and Student Government President Lynn Grunzinger.

One of the main concerns of students and faculty members to be discussed by the committee is the variety of philosophy electives available and the limited capacity within these classes. According to Grunzinger, many students, especially seniors, voiced complaints to SGA about being closed out of these classes.
"A lot of seniors with philosophy majors couldn't get into courses they wanted to take to fulfill their electives," said Grunzinger. "We also heard a lot of complaints
from faculty who had to advise students again after getting closed out of classes."

Grunzinger relayed these complaints to Bundschuh who suggested creating the committee to discuss ways to make changes and formulate a plan of action.
"Hearing student perspectives will help us see what we can do to make this a smoother process," said Bundschuh: "Rather than making decisions in a vacuum, we will have input from a student representative."

Grunzinger suggested opening up more classes for students and reserving classes for seniors and majors in specific areas as possible solutions to be discussed by the committee.
"I think everyone realizes there is a problem and something needs to happen," said Grunzinger. "It's not just students, but faculty too."
"I think it is an issue of supply and demand, not necessarily a problem with the registration process," said Cole. "We have been doing it the same way for a long time."

In addition to the issue of class
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## SAC bids to bring Crows to XU <br> Spring concert will include Counting Crows if band accepts SAC's $\$ 45,000$ offer

## BY SARAH KELLEY

Senior News Editor
Plans to bring the band Count ing Crows to Xavier's campus in the spring are underway by the Studen Activities Council (SAC). Las week, SAC submitted a $\$ 45,000$ bid to Concert Ideas Agency. This bid will then be relayed to the Counting Crows.

By the middle of January, SAC will know if the Counting Crows accepted the bid to perform at Xavier.
"It's really out of our hands now," said Jason Kilbane, SAC member and concert co-chair. "We [SAC] have done all we can and have given what we are able to give to the bid. Counting Crows will decide if they want to play at Xavier."

Factors determining whether or not the Counting Crows will accept the bid include the success of their new CD as well as other bids they are presented with. On average, the Counting Crows accept bids between $\$ 40,000$ and $\$ 50,000$.

The decision to have the Counting Crows play at Xavier came from student input. Last week, SAC surveyed about 1,260 students to see if they would prefer to see the

Counting Crows, Goo Goo Dolls or Wyclef Jean featuring the Refugee All Stars.
"'The Counting Crows weren't my first choice, but I will definitely go see them if they come," said senior Katie Fontana. "I am actually surprised


The students' first choice for the spring concert was Counting Crows.

Xavier is having such a well-known band come to campus."

If the Counting Crows decline Xavier's offer, SAC will go forth with the Goo Goo Dolls, followed by Wyclef Jean.
"All three bands we have looked into seem to have a good following here," said senior Jessica Hansberry, SAC chair. "The votes were very close for all three."

SAC submitted a proposal to Vice President of Student Development Dr. Ron Slepitza and Executive Director of Student Services Dr. Luther Smith. Both Slepitza and Smith approved the proposal, which outlined the budget for the
event, the background of the bands and proposed ticket sales.
The spring concert will be held in Schmidt Fieldhouse, and SAC will sell 2,500 tickets to the show. Possible dates for the concert include March 31, April 1 and April 14.
"This is the biggest thing SAC has done since I have been at Xavier," said Hansberry. "Everyone on SAC is taking part in planning this event."

The last time a concert of this size was held on campus was in 1995, when the bands Candlebox and Sponge played in Schmidt Fieldhouse.

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## Biz Performance

Rapper and D.J. Biz Markie will perform from 10 p.m. 2 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 2 in the O'Connor Sports Center. The Newswire has tickets to give away. The first five students to arrive at the Publications House and name Biz Markie's first single will receive a free ticket.

## Approach retreat

Registration for the Feb. 1820 Approach retreat will begin Monday, Dec. 6. Seniors are eligible to register from 9 a.m.-noon. Sophomores and juniors may join the registration process from 1-5 p.m. The fee for the retreat is $\$ 45$, with a non-refundable payment of $\$ 25$ due upon registration. For more information, call Campus Ministry at 745-3567.

## Condom lecture

Rev. James Sullivan, O.P., will speak at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Thursday, Dec. 2 in Kelley Auiditorium. He will address contraception issues in his presentation entitled "Condom Condemnations: Just or unjust?" All students are invited and encouraged to attend. The speech is sponsored by Students forLife.

## News addition

Julie Irwin, religion reporter for The Cincinnati Enquirer, will join the Xavier faculty spring semester to teach news reporting with Rev. Matthew Gamber, S.J.

## Final meeting

The Priesthood Discernment Group will hold its final meeting of the semester at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 in Buenger hall. The meeting will begin with a Mass in the chapel and will move to Room 219 for a pizza party. The Priesthood Discernment Group is open to all men who are interested in learning more about vocations to the Catholic priesthood. For more information, call Mr. David Meconi, S.J., at 745-3505.

## Furniture needs

Students living in Over-theRhine apartments for the urban service learning semester are in need of household furniture and equipment. Most needed are two kitchen tables, chairs, cooking utensils, vacuum cleaners, lamps and stuffed chairs. Anyone willing to donate items, call Susan Namei at 745-3042.

## Luminaries

As part of the annual tradition of "Christmas on the Mall," campus will once again be brightened by candle luminaries tonight. The luminaries were sold for $\$ 1$ apiece. All proceeds will benefit Cincinnati Presbyterian Church (a tutoring program), ReSTOC (Over-the-Rhine renovation projects) and Cross Roads (a low-income health center).


Dr. Paul Knitter, junior Melissa Williams and senior Jon Weller walk through the streets of Nepal, taking a short break from their service work.

## Students return from Nepal <br> BY BRI CROWLEY <br> weeklong orientation in Cincin- <br> Nepal, time doesn't matter. "Things

Contributing Writer
Last week, 13 Xavier students and theology professor Dr. Paul Knitter returned from a threemonth service learning semester in Nepal.

The service learning provided students with the opportunity to learn first hand the customs, language, economics and social issues of Nepal:

Although Xavier students have participated in service learning semesters since 1994 in Nicaragua and Over-the-Rhine, this semester was the first time Xavier students traveled to Nepal.

Nepal is a small Himalayan country in South Asia located south of China and north of India. The major religions of the country are Hinduism and Buddhism. Mount Everest, the highest peak in the world, is found in Nepal.
"Nepal was chosen as the location of the service learning because it has a non-Western world perspective with a Jesuit connection," said Professor Susan Namei, coordinator of the Service Learning program. "The most important aspect of service learning is the immersion of the students into the culture."

The students flew to Katmandu, the capital of Nepal, Aug. 22 after a
nati. They spent three weeks learning the language, customs and culture of Nepal and then moved in with their individual host families for three weeks and began their service projects that ranged from working in orphanages to helping blind and elderly people. For the fina six weeks, the group focused on economics and theology courses.

Junior Dan McKay, a student who went to Nepal, said it was difficult for him to choose his favorite part of the trip.
"The trips that we took and all the amazing sights that we saw were incredible, but I would say that my favorite part was my service projec

I would fly back today, just to work there for three hours and then come home," McKay said.

Dan worked with mentally and physically impaired people. He said at first it was difficult for him, he originally wanted to work with children, but it turned out to be a blessing.

The students were able to trek in the Himalayas and travel to India. They saw rhinoceroses, rode elephants and rafted on a river that ran through the Himalayas.

They woke up before sunrise and biked to work and school and back to their homes. McKay said in
happen when they happen ... But I valued every second that I spent there."

Dr. Knitter traveled to Nepal earlier in the year on a fact-finding trip. There were a few glitches because this was the first trip, but overall the program was a success, according to McKay and Namei.

The cost of the trip was Xavier's tuition plus a special program fee, equivalent to room and board recruitment for next fall will begin in January and February. Students receive academic credit in economics, language, service learning and global responsibility.

The program is difficult, though, and students must be in good health, be able to work independently and as team players, and they must be in good standing academically as sophomores.

On Monday, Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Schott Multipurpose Room, the students who went to Nepal are presenting an informational session about the trip.

There will be pictures, a slide show, a movie and questions will be answered. To find out more about service learning semesters at Xavier, contact Professor Susan Namei at 745-3042 or namei@xavier.xu.edu.community.
"More should be done on Xavier's campus to bring awareness about AIDS to the students and about world events," Archer said.
"AIDS is a very prevalent issue in our society and we wanted to do something more on Xavier's campus."

There have been lectures regarding AIDS in the past.

However, "students don't have time for lectures, which is why we put the red ribbons for people to see, everywhere, and raise their awareness without having to attend a lecture," Archer said.

Archer first became involved with AIDS awareness while listening to Munday speak during a wing event in Brockman hall.

Archer's interest grew and today she and other Xavier students put the ribbons around the campus.
"It's something that needed to be done on our campus," said Archer.

Plans for World AIDS Day 2000 are yet to be announced but "hopefully someone will continue the tradition using red ribbons around campus to promote knowledge," said Archer.

The Health and Counseling Center has red ribbons available and can provide information for students who wish to become more involved and informed about the AIDS virus.

Northern Kentucky University and the Red Cross are also working to promote knowledge and awaremes

If anyone has any questions regarding AIDS awareness, please contact Archer at 745-3042.

## Police Notes

Wednesday, Nov. 17, 4:45 p.m.
The Physical Plant reported that a blue sofa and four chairs were stolen out of a storage area in the Rainbo building.

Thursday, Nov. 18, 10:08 p.m.- Someone removed a car antenna from a vehicle parked in Cohen parking lot.

Saturday, Nov. 20, 2-5 a.m. Someone wrote graffiti with a black magic marker in a room on the fourth floor of Kuhlman hall.

Saturday, Nov. 20, 4:40 p.m. Campus police discovered a car with a broken window in the Cohen parking lot. There were no signs of theft or forced entry.

Saturday, Nov. 20, 10:15 p.m.-Two students were cited for theft when they intentionally left the Musketeer Inn without paying for their food.

Saturday, Nov. 20,9p.m.-1 a.m - At the Homecoming dance held at the Sharonville Convention Center, eight students were cited for possession of fake IDs, two nonstudents
were cited for possesion of fake ID, and five students were cited for disorderly conduct and underage consumption. Three students who attempted to crash the dance without tickets were ejected and sent back on the buses. Damage was dicovered in the first floor men's restroom and numerous students were sick in the men's and women's restrooms, as well as the front and upstairs lobbies.

Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2:30 p.m. A female student reported someone removed several items of apparel from a washing machine in Kuhlman.

## PoliceNote of the Week

Saturday, Nov. 20, 2:35 a.m.- Campus police heard glass breaking in the Cohen parking lot. Upon investigation, two suspects were found to have thrown rocks at the windows of a car. An 18 -year old UC student and a 17 -yearold nonstudent were cited for underage consumption of alcohol and possession of fake ID and will be responsible for making restitution.

## HOME SWEET HOME



Students groove to the music of the Homecoming dance, Saturday night at the Sharonville Convention Center. Sophomore Jonathan Mosko (left) and friends dance the night away in style. While these are happy times, the dance unfortunately will not be held in the Sharonville Convention Center in the future (see this edition's staff editorial).
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## Celebration of culture

BY BRYAN RIECHMAN Campus News Editor
Xavier University will celebrate the 450 th anniversary of St. Francis Xavier's arrival in Japan with guest speakers, an art exhibition and special visitors Dec. 2-3
The celebration is intended to be a cross-cultural affair, particularly to expose the Xavier community to Japanese culture.
"Christian dialogue with cultures throughout the world, or indeed any interaction between nations or religions, demands respect for other partners in the conversation," Rev. J. Leo Klein, S.J., said.

The event begins Thursday at 4 p.m. in Bellarmine Chapel, where Archbishop Giuseppe Pittau, S.J., will receive an honorary degree.

Peter K. Hamaguchi and Frank Kimura, Japanese businessmen, will receive the St. Francis Xavier

Medal at an invitation-only dinner Thursday evening for their respective efforts in the exchange program between Xavier and Sophia University in Japan.

On Friday, two speakers will make presentations in the Conaton Board Room. Rev. John Witek, S.J., visiting professor at Xavier, will present "Francis Xavier's Role in the Development of Christianity in Asia" at 1 p.m., and T.R. Reid, London bureau chief for The Washington Post, will present "The Global Corporation in a Confucian Culture" at 3 p.m.

At 6 p.m., Hisako Kobayashi, Tokyo native, will inaugurate an exhibition of her paintings in the Cohen Lecture Hall which will remain on display until Jan. 7 .

All events except the dinner Thursday evening are open to the public.

## Registration:

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availability, students have also raised concerns about priority registration. The committee will also look into this process to determine if changes need to be made.
"We are going to review who has the privilege of pre-registering," said Bundschuh. "Some people have those privileges that possibly should not."

Among students included in priority registration are athletes and scholars. Resident assistants and


## WORLD BRIEFS

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## U.S. aid to <br> Sudan criticized

WASHINGTON, D.C. (UNF) - U.S. President Bill Clinton is preparing to sign a bill that could jeopardize U.N. humanitarian operations in Sudan, the New York Times reports.

The bill, which Clinton is scheduled to sign today, would "pursue a contentious strategy" against Sudan's government by providing food aid directly to rebels of the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA). To date, the United States has given $\$ 1$. billion to the United Nation's Operation Lifeline Sudan, which distributes food to civilians on both sides of the conflict.
If the United States were to give food directly to rebels, U.N. officials say, Sudan's government would undoubtedly try to shut down the U.N. program.
"We'll have stronger opposition from Khartoum, and there will be greater risk for everyone involved," said Nils Kastberg, director of emergency programs for UNICEF, which administers the Lifeline program.

Some American officials and aid groups are also criticizing the proposed move, saying it inserts the United States on one side of a civil war, contravening a longheld policy of neutrality in food assistance.
"This is a departure from the way we should be using food aid," said Julia Taft, assistant secretary of state for refugees and humanitarian assistance. Others say the SPLA does not deserve direct U.S. support. According to the State Department, the rebel group is "responsible for extrajudicial killings, beatings, arbitrary detention, forced conscription, slavery and occasional arrests of foreign relief workers without charge."
Peter Bell, president of Care USA, a major aid group in Sudan, said the new policy is more likely to prolong the conflict than end it. "It's a mistake because it's to use food as a weapon of war and counter to humanitarian principles," he said.
On November 22, the U.N. General Assembly passed a resolution expressing concern about the impact of the war on human rights and the humanitarian situation in Sudan, particularly concerning women and children. It urged parties in the conflict "to grant safe and unhindered access to international agencies and humanitarian organizations" for the distribution of humanitarian aid.
The United States abstained
from the resolution.

## Peace nears in Northern Ireland

LONDON - Northern Ireland's biggest Protestant political party cleared the way Saturday for implementation of the long-stalled 1998 Good Friday
peace agreement, approving a plan that will enable Roman Catholics and Protestants to share power in a new self-rule government starting Thursday.

Under the plan, the Irish Republican Army is expected to name a representative on the same day to a commission charged with overseeing the dismantling of both Catholic and Protestant weapons by next spring.

David Trimble, who heads the Protestant Ulster Unionist Party and is the designated First Minister for Northern Ireland, put his political career on the line by going before the party's 858 member council in Belfast to ask for approval of the plan worked out under the aegis of former U.S. Sen. George Mitchell.
In Washington, President Clinton hailed what he called a "historic step toward lasting peace in Northern Ireland." He congratulated Trimble and promised U.S. support to all those working for a brighter future for the province.

But Mitchell, who left Northern Ireland last week, warned no one should think the peace process "will now be all sweetness and light." He said much controversy lies ahead, "but the direction is the right one ... and I believe in the end they will succeed."

- Chicago Tribune


## 400 Nicaraguan workers poisoned

MANAGUA-OnNov. 16, an estimated 400 workers became ill after exposure to toxic fumes in the Taiwanese-owned Chentex factory in Managua's Free Trade Zone. The incident occurred due to the mistaken combination of two substances used in fumigating for rats and mice which, when used together, cause fainting and vomiting among humans.

Alejandro Morales, director of Red Cross emergency services in Nicaragua, said his organization had received an emergency call from the factory but that when ambulances arrived, factory managers refused to remove the padlocks from the factory gates. "We had to threaten to force open the gates," he said.

Chentex mariagement also did not allow a delegation of Nicaraguan National Assembly members entry into the factory on the day of the poisoning. The deputies returned to the National Assembly to prepare a request for a special investigative committee to be formed to look into safety conditions there.
Chentex is one of four factories owned by the Nien Shing consortium of Taiwan. Workers at these factories in recent years have protested arbitrary firings, bad working conditions, low wages and general mistreatment. Accidents have resulted in one recorded death at the plant this year.

- Nicaragua Network


## Tobacco suit hits Supreme Court

BY GAIL GIBSON

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WASHINGTON - David
Kessler never expected an easy fight when, as head of the Food and Drug Administration in 1996, he proposed that his agency regulate tobacco products as a drug. Cigarette makers launched a full-scale legal battle. An army of tobacco farmers put on pins and caps proclaiming,"Keep FDA off the farm."
"Wherever you went, you got the same answer: You can't do that. They're too big. That's a fool's errand," Kessler recalled.

But as the legal fight that Kessler's proposal touched off goes to the U.S. Supreme Court this week, health advocates and tobacco executives find themselves on far different terrain from when the case began nearly four years ago.

Much has happened in tobacco politics, from the industry's 1998 settlement of state lawsuits that included a ban on all cigarette billboards to the acknowledgement this summer by Philip Morris on the company's Web site that smoking is addictive and causes lung cancer and other diseases.
"We are in a very different place," said Kessler, now dean of the Yale University Medical School. "Who would have ever thought that Philip Morris would stand up and say, 'Nicotine is an addictive substance'?"

Still, the tobacco industry is ever intended the FDA to regulate unyielding on the central question cigarettes. In August 1998, a threebefore the nation's high court this week: whether the FDA has the power under the 1938 Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act to regulate nicotine as a drug and cigarettes as a drug-delivery device

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Dean, Yale University
Medical School

Tobacco lawyers say in legal briefs the agency does not have jurisdiction. They argue that giving the FDA the authority to regulate tobacco as a drug would lead to a total ban on cigarettes, hurting American smokers and the economy and circumventing the will of Congress.
The companies are not refuting. health issues raised by government lawyers. Instead, the case turns on the question of whether Congress
judge federal appeals court panel handed the tobacco industry a major victory by ruling that Congress did not.

In that 2-1 ruling, the U.S. 4th Circuit Court of Appeals wrote that there was "strong evidence that Congress has reserved for itself the regulation of tobacco products rather than delegating that regulation to the FDA."

The case went to the Supreme Court on an appeal by the Clinton administration. It is the most significant tobacco case before the court since 1992, when, in a 7-2 ruling, the justices said that a federal law requiring warning labels on cigarette packages did not shield the companies from liability lawsuits.

The court, however, also said that lawsuits cannot be based on claims that cigarette advertising failed to warn of the dangers of smoking.

In recent years, health advocates have viewed FDA regulation as the most potent weapon against smoking, which is blamed for 400,000 deaths in America each year

Activists on both sides will be watching closely during oral arguments scheduled before the high court Wednesday. A ruling on the issue could come as early as the spring of 2000.

## Bush looks to Reagan for guidance

## Presidential hopeful models foreign policy on Republican predecessor

## BY VINCENT J.

SCHODOLSKI
IMI VALLEY, Calif. - W
George W. Bush decided to make the first major foreign policy speech of his quest for the White House, he made a pilgrimage to the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library here in the dry hills northwest of Los Angeles.

There was intended symbolism. With former First Lady Nancy Reagan and Reagan administration Secretary of State George Schultz looking on, Bush and his advisers made it clear that he wanted to be identified with the man many credit with having been the final straw that broke the back of Soviet communism and ushered in the postCold War world.
"I think he sees foreign policy the way Ronald Reagan saw it," said a senior foreign affairs adviser to Bush. "He is not going to have a thousand priorities. He is going to say that we have to have some priorities; that there are a few things that we have to focus on."

Interviews with several key foreign policy advisers to Bush provided an insight into the evolution of his thinking and a glimpse of the policies a Bush administration might implement.

The advisers, echoing a phrase Bush used in his speech here a week ago, said that he sought something he calls a "distinctly American internationalism" as a guiding principal in foreign policy.

I take it to mean that on one hand we are going to remain en-
gaged in the world, but on the other hand we are not going to spread ourselves too thin," one senior aide said.
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foreign policy the way Ronald Reagan saw it ... He is not going to have a thousand priorities."
—Bush senior foreign affairs adviser

He and others indicated that what Bush was thinking about was an America that understood that it was in its own best interests to be fully involved around the globe, but not in a way that let events and crises dictate the nation's response to shifting global realities.
"He likes the East Timor model," one adviser said in reference to recent international intervention to restore order on the Indonesian island. He said Bush thought that the balance was right for the situation, with the United States able to play a support role in the United Nations operation while allowing a strong U.S. ally, Australia, to take the lead.

The foreign policy education of George W. Bush began about 18 months ago, when Schultz invited
the prospective Republican presidential candidate to his home on the campus of Stanford University to chat about the foreign policy challenges that would face the next president.

Among those present at that first encounter was Condoleezza Rice, a senior fellow at Stanford University's Hoover Institution who served as the director of Soviet and East European Affairs for


## Current projects address student concerns

HAVING PROBLEMS REMEMBERING YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS?
Senators Kelly Borchers and Jessica Tillman recently met with the Director of Information Systems, Dorinda Giles, on matters dealing with getting more personalized e-mail addresses and a more modern VAX system. It looks promising that improvements will be done by the next school year. Feel free to call 745-3094 to express any additional comments or questions dealing with this subject.

VOICE YOUR OPINION TO STUDENT GOVERNMENT
The Student Affairs Committee, in an effort to gain input on student concerns, is setting up lunches in the Grill to discuss campus issues. Let your student government work for you. For more information, please contact Senator Casey Schuff at 221-0907.

## "X TALK"

Why not sit down to lunch with Fr. Hoff, president of Xavier University, or Fr. Graham, executive assistant to the president, and let your voice be heard? These lunches, referred to as " X Talk," are held in the Cafe during the week, and all are welcome. If you are interested in this program, call senator JP Engelbrecht @ 985-8751.
does registration frustrate you?
Senators P.J. Zimmer and Peet Zeller are looking into improving the current registration process. Please call 745-3094 with any comments or concerns you might have. Note President Lynn Grunzinger has already met with Dr. Bundschuh about the registration process and will sit on an ad-hoc committee in January to voice student concerns and try to come up with some solutions.
attempting to solve problems with nana ....
AVP Nathan Moster will begin working on a NANA taskforce, which will include Xavier administrators, NANA members and Xavier students. Their goal is to work on a compromise concerning the use of student fines for NANA funding.

## SGA KEEPS DORMS OPEN FOR SHOOTOUT

The Crosstown Shootout between Xavier and UC will be played on Saturday, Dec. 18. SGA was able to convince Student Development to keep the dorms open until noon on Sunday, Dec. 19 to allow students to remain on campus for the game.

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What are the names of two of the three executive members of SGA?

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HEY HOOPS FANS!
Need a ride to the Gardens?
SGA provides buses to all men's basketball home games. Buses start running to the game from behind the University Center one hour prior to game time and will begin return trips immediately following the game. If you have any questions about this service, please call Legislative Vice President James Bowling @ X-3520.

## CONGRATULATIONS SAC!

The 1998-1999 Student Activities Council was awarded first place in the competition for Oustanding Comprehensive Programming Board by the National Association of Campus Activities.

The award was presented on Nov. 6, 1999.

BIZ MARKIE!
THURSDAY, DEC. 2
10 P.M. 2 A.M.
IN THE O'CONNOR SPORTS CENTER
Tickets are $\$ 10$ each for students, and are available in the SAC office, the Office of Multicultural Affairs, Kuhlman and Husman halls.

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## SAC IS SPONSORING

 A FIELD TRIP TO SEE "A CHRISTMAL CAROL" @ PLAYHOUSE IN THE PARK ON TUESDAY, DEC. 7.The show begins at 7 p.m. Buses leave at 6:15 p.m. Tickets are $\$ 7.50$ and are available in the SAC office
beginning Monday, Nov. 29. Tickets are limited, so hurry!

SHOW ME THE MONEY<br>A listing of recent financial motions passed by Senate for recognized student clubs and organizations<br>Nov. 1, 1999<br>Men's Club Volleyball<br>National Tournament in Reno, Nev.<br>Nov. 8, 1999<br>Xavier Players<br>trip to Chicago<br>Nov. 15, 1999<br>Voices of Solidarity (VOS)<br>budget for fiscal year<br>If your club needs funding, please call Mark Mallett, chair of financial affairs @ 745-3094.

## CAIENDAR OF EVENTS

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## -STAFF.EDITORIAL-

## One more down

Did you know we got kicked out of another dance hall this year? The Sharonville Convention Center can be added to the growing list of former hosts who will no longer allow Xavier students through its doors. Oh, the injustice?

Not so. You may not know this, but we were banned because some Xavier students can't handle their alcohol.

Homecoming was this year's only non-dry dance, and we showed the ad ministration that we were mature enough to handle it by punching holes in walls, puking in bathroom sinks, stuffing beer bottles down toilets and making a mess
of the front lobby. In the past, Xavier's crimes have also included ripping urinals out of walls.

Do you call this mature? How do you ever expect the administration to trust us and take our complaints seriously when we prove that we need to be parented time and time again?

Not only are those of you who take part in destructive activity to blame, but those of you who stand by and watch are also contributing to the problem. How can all these things go on without any witnesses?
All year, we have offered The
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Newswire as a place for students to vent their frustrations.

We have repeatedly gone to bat for the student body on the alcohol issue, supporting our right to make our own decisions and be given a chance to prove ourselves responsible adults. However, we are embarrassed that halls refuse to host our dances for fear of destruction.

We are not implicating all stuthe need to wreak havoc on dance nights are not only ruining our chance to have a good time but also tarnishing Xavier's good name.

You can expect ticket prices to rise because we'll have to be bussed farther away (if they'll bus us at all), security to be even stricter and future non-dry dances to be out of the question.

In fact, we're lucky if they don't cancel dances altogether. Remember, dances are a privilege, not a right.

We take it upon ourselves to represent those students who behave themselves at dances, and we ask those whose idea of a good time involves varidalism to stay home.

You may get jollies from ripping a urinal out of a wall, but you're pissing the rest of us of (no pun intended).

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## - CAMPUS COMMENTARY-

Homophobia pervades campus

BY MELISSA CURRENCE Contributing Writer

One of Xavier's greatest appeals is its open-hearted community. And it is a loving place except to those in our community who are homosexual. Why is the Xavier community generally so homophobic?

The teaching of the Roman Catholic Church, where we look to for guidance, fails to fully accept homosexuals.

While many look to the Bible for justification of their hatred of homosexuals, I was taught throughout my 14 years of Catholic education to follow Jesus' Golden Rule.

This is why I do not understand the Catholic Church's position of accepting gays and lesbians as long as those individuals do not 'practice' homosexuality. The Church accepts them as long as they are not homosexuals. Iempathize for those XU students who fear coming out
to friends and family, and I commend those who have.
I wish this campus would become a place where people do not have to fear ridicule and death because of their sexual orientation. According to Stonewall Cincinnati, four men have been killed in Cincinnati in the last three years because of their sexual orientation.

Furthermore, the overall campus apathy to Matthew Shepard's death is in itself chilling. The two men convicted of bludgeoning Shepard to death said an unwanted sexual advance provoked them to kill.

Homophobia leads to emotional pain and physical harm. The fact there is a "support group" for homosexuals on campus says volumes about our attitude as a whole.

I realize the Gay and Lesbian Support Group is trying its best in this environment of hostility. But a more loving solution is to have a campus organization focused on the unique contribution the homo-
sexual members of our community give to Xavier and to promote discourse on the subject among gay bisexual and straight students on campus.

Outside our little corner of Cincinnati is a world that needs understanding and compassionate people willing to accept the responsibility of love Jesus himself promoted.
Looking even beyond religion, hatred of homosexuals is hating the feminine. Femininity is often seen as the weaker sexual quality. Feminine men, especially "flamers" are made fun of in jokes and abhorred.

It is a hatred of men who are "trying to act like women." Even with lesbianism, it is seen as femininity gone awry.

Homophobia is an ugly stain on our community, but it is something we can work to purge.

As a group committed to Christianity and humanitarianism, let's stop the pain homophobia causes, for a truly open-hearted campus.

## - NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE-

Getting clean by any means possible

BY ERIN NEVIUS

Contributing Writer
Being college students, I'm sure we all know someone who could benefit from a few days in rehab.

A college campus is basically a Betty Ford clinic with a keg. But what would you do if you really needed help controlling an addiction, and you couldn't get it?

Would you let the drug of your choice take over your life and be one of the next generation of losers with a 40 -ounce and a wifebeater?

A resourceful man by the name of Rick Solberg faced this exact problem. He was turned away from several crowded rehab programs in central Iowa, and knew he couldn't beat his drug and alcohol addiction on his own. So what did he do?

Committed a crime. Knowing that inmates receive treatment for substance abuse, Solberg robbed a box car and then turned himself into the police. To assure them he really was the thief, he brought to the police station the tools he had used
to burglarize the box car and the loot he had stolen. Ironically, the stolen goods were beers.
I guess I never realized before that Iowa was such a party state that they could fill to capacity more than one rehab center. The mental picture I conjure up when thinking of Iowa has to do with wheat fields, not bars.

But even though I hadn't suspected lowa as having an unusually high blood-alcohol level, I think that every city that serves liquor should also offer adequate recovery centers that can help you overcome an addiction to it.
It is a sad reflection of our society's lack of human compassion that this man felt as though he needed to serve time in a prison-to get help for his disease.

You would think an organization designed to aid those battling with a serious, life-threatening addiction could at least find him someplace to go for help, not just say, "we're full" and turn him away.
Something could have been
done. On a lighter note, this must be a fairly rational, intelligent guy to realize that his problem is so bad that he would go to any lengths necessary to get help.

It's sad he will have a burglary charge on his record now, permanently. He sounds like a man with a good head on his shoulders. Rick Solberg is probably not the only one in America who has turned to the shelter, food and warmth of our country's prison system.

There are probably other homeless, alcoholic, desperate people who commit crimes they don't want to for the security jail supplies. Isn't it sad that our country, the most powerful in the world, has citizens who are forced to live in captivity to assure they will have food?
I'm glad Solberg found a way to get help for himself. I hope everyone out there with a drug addiction works towards getting assistance as much as he did.

However, now I might just vacation in Iowa. I have a renewed faith in its nightlife.

# WHAT questions would you like to be asked for your final Mall Talk? 



While I thank SGA for their support for the vigil on Nov. 15 in honor of the 10th anniversary of the deaths of six Jesuits and two women killed at the UCA in San Salvador, I deplore their shortsightedness in refusing to give any funding to the Amnesty International trip to the School of the Americas which also commemorates - and protests those deaths.

It is especially distressing this year when all U.S. Jesuit universities were invited by the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities to send representatives to an Ignatian Family Teach-In to be held in Fort Benning, Ga., along with the protest

Fortunately, Campus Ministry, Programs in Peace and Justice and others who responded to the announcement in Preview, stepped into the breach, so Xavier was not embarrassingly absent from the roll call of Jesuit colleges and universities at the Teach-In or when
each student group was called on to give a reflection on why they had come.

I read recently what I thought was an interesting response to the "few bad apples" argument in favor of keeping the school open and the related argument that a few murderers graduating from Harvard would not lead to Harvard being closed.

However, in similar statistics to the proportion of identified human rights violators graduated from the School of the Americas, if 70 percent of all identified murder ers in Boston were Harvard graduates and there was evidence that Harvard had been teaching murder, there would most likely be an outcry for Harvard to be closed.

To clarify a point raised in the past Newswire: there was no request from SGA last year that Xavier students not cross the line, and, therefore, there was no prom ise broken. I wonder if extracting such a promise would be appro-
priate. All line crossers had to at tend training sessions in civil disobedience and all participants at the Ignatian Teach-In were asked to attend a training session for"Jesuit student line crossers"- even if they were sure they would not cross.

While some from Xavier may have chosen to engage in nonviolent civil disobedience - as did some of the Jesuits in attendance - their participation in this even was entirely consistent with the Jesuit mission of this university.

The 32nd General Congregation said the pursuit of justice in the service of faith is an absolute requirement.

Perhaps SGA could reconsider the basis on which funding for this trip was denied.
-Dr. Irene B. Hodgson Professor of Spanish, director of the Latin American studies minor, coordinator for the vigil and adviser to VOS2

## Xavier adapts to changing world

David Endres' recent letter to editor, "Catholic schoo neglects Catholicism," is frightening and dangerous! Endres describes students as "forced to ask: What can I believe in?" without being given definitive answers, as a negative aspect of our theology classes.

This question and lesson is actually the beauty of universitylevel theology. Theology is no longer that of grade school (or even high school) where all the answers are given and all the class members are naïve, happy, blind Catholics because children are simply not developmentally ready to be challenged.

Rather, college theology gives us a chance to truly step back and reexamine our faith, not just search out authority to give us answers to believe

After this healthy disenchantment, we ourselves are expected to supply the answers and truly own our faith.

Theology here at Xavier does not neglect Catholicism, but supports and reaffirms it, giving us a
much fuller, comprehensive unlic faith.
Theology classes let us examine all areas of Catholicism, from its history to its teachings, to the teachings of those who oppose it (sometimes through the practice of other, diverse religions) to the contemporary debates about it.

This broad, full understanding will be extremely beneficial in the future. Since we have already pushed ourselves (and been pushed) to challenge our faiths and strengthen them, we will not be so shocked and hurt when they are challenged (and they will be challenged) in the "real world"
Also, and much more importantly, we will be able to react to contemporary ethical issues with clarity because of our religious foundations and from the study of contemporary theologians who address these issues.

No longer are we facing leprosy, but AIDS and cancer, no crucifixion, but the death penalty and the School of the Americas not tax collectors, but
gentrification and corporate power.

We need contemporary theologians who draw these conclusions and many others, so our faiths are active in changing our present-day world, not merely praying from our comfortable homes for those who suffer.

It is a dangerous leap from an cient teachings to finding modernday solutions, but someone has to make that leap, and we must study it!

I have seen the positive effects of Xavier theology classes where students become strong, conscien tious people. Their spirituality is a pro-active, conscious decision, because they were "forced" to think critically about their religions and their institutional down falls.

Hooray for the theology department! Keep enlightening your students. And, for all the students interested in being spoon-fed all theological answers, go join a cult
-Juli Hoeffer
Sophomore

## Time to

Each week in The Newswire, I continue to read students registering their complaints about how this university is taking away our rights or treating us like children, whether it's the party clause the university administration hopes landlords will adopt, neighbor complaints about weekend student gatherings or alcohol not being served at dances.

Recently we as a student body were given the opportunity to demonstrate whether or not we really could be mature about our privileges and act like adults, unfortunately we bombed miserably.

Before I go any further I would like to preface this article by saying that I am a senior on Student Activities Council (SAC). However, in this forum, which I have chosen to share my thoughts, I speak only for myself and NOT Student Activities Couricil.

If feel it is relevant to share the fact that I am a SAC member, because I am privileged to information not everyone may know.

A week and a half ago, our annual Homecoming dance was held. The administrators in Student Services and the Xavier Police Department permitted alcohol to be served at the dance.

At the two previous dances, alcohol was banned due to safety concerns. Students complained and boycotted the dances, claiming they did not deserve to be treated like children.

When Homecoming came around, the relevant administrators examined the numbers and decided since the Homecoming dance sees more of the 21 or older crowd than any other dance, they would permit alcohol to be served.

This year's Homecoming dance sold out and most people in attendance enjoyed themselves. However, once again the facilities were damaged.

Beer bottles were found in the toilets, people had yomited in the
,
sinks in both the men's and women's restrooms, someone had punched a hole in the wall, and there were students in the lobby vomiting on themselves.

The end result: Xavier dances are no longer welcome at the Sharonville Convention Center.

Does anyone wonder why we to take a 20 -minute bus ride to a dance hall? The answer is Xavier dances are not welcomed back to any facilities in Cincinnati!

The Cincinnati Convention Cen ter said they would rather lose money than hold another Xavier dance at their complex!

I would like to point out that the beer garden was well maintained and saw no problems. It is mainly underage students binge drinking before arrival that led to most, but not all, problems.

If anyone thinks I am wrong in this regard please explain to me why we do not have these problems at Se nior Ball, which the Cincinnati Convention Center welcomes back every year? I hope the Xavier administration takes this into consideration.

I like to have fun and drink as much as the next guy, but there are limits. If we want to be treated like adults, we have to act like adults. It is that simple.

You have to walk the walk, as well as talk the talk. We are ruining it for ourselves. Maybe you did not cause the damage, but perhaps you saw and could have stopped it, or better yet tell your friends to stop when they have had too much to drink.

This may have been an internal problem for the university, but now it is damaging our reputation in this city. I for one do not want to see our reputation damaged!

I, for one, want to continue to have dances, and don't for one moment think dances cannot be banned from the Cintas Center because if this behavior continues they will.

## WRITE AN EDITORIAL GAIN FAME AND FORTUNE*

## -LETTERS TO THE EDITOR-

## Protest looks beyond textbooks

$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{n}}$
fter returning from the School A of the Americas protest this weekend, there are a few things that must be said.
First, I am proud of all the students who went to Ft. Benning, Ga . despite the negativity that was displayed toward the trip last week. I am also proud to support a group that handled themselves so well in the face of uncertainty and intimidation, those students who chose to cross the line.

I admire their courage to stand up for firmly held convictions and to maintain composure and a peaceful respect for authority as well as a supportive community for each other.

After the unfortunate way the protest was portrayed in the Senate meeting last week, by students who have never been to the protest, I am afraid many people may have vi sions of a rowdy, potentially dangerous, blood-slinging event that disturbs the neighborhood and scares small children. This is simply not the case.

It is a solemn commemoration of those who have died at the hands of SOA graduates, including the six Jesuits and the two Salvadoran women. This civil disobedience occurs as people take place in a funeral procession across the line that marks the boundary of Ft. Benning in a manner that peacefully honors those who have died.

Regarding the protest, I feel only a positive response to a very moving and important event. Unfortunately, the experience has been touched by the events that occurred last week here at Xavier, namely the
way the protest and Amnesty International were subject to false accusations and presumptions in the Senate meeting and the denial of funding by the Senate members.

In Georgia last weekend, an event called the Ignation Family Teach-In took place in which the

This was a sad moment for Xavier students ... but even sadder for Xavier as a Jesuit institution because it made a decision, perhaps on a legalistic basis instead of the values that this institution is supposed to represent.

Jesuit schools met together for reflection on social issues, including the protest.

Many schools were represented and talked about the support they had received. One student from St. Louis University said, "for the first time the finest universities, the Jesuit universities, have been brough together in one voice."

It was disappointing that Xavier University did not wish to be among
those schools and would rather remain silent. Students from Santa Clara said, "We've been sent by our university commu nity and are being supported spiritually and financially."

This was a sad moment for Xavier students who could not make the same claim, but even sadder for Xavier as a Jesuit institution because it made a decision, perhaps, on a legalistic basis instead of onthe values this institution is supposed to represent.

In light of all this, I must express my disappointment that the involvement with civil disobedience kept the Senate from supporting this group.
Being in the South among over 12,000 people this weekend was an opportunity to reflect on the witness of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks and countless others, including Dorothy Day, who. we have apparently deemed worthy of naming a building in her honor.
These people were all willing to break a law when something was unjust. I find it sad and somewhat hypocritical if we will honor them only in our textbooks but not in our lives and actions.
I encourage everyone to seriously consider the way we are making decisions at Xavier, and what that says about us as people and what we value as being the most important.
—Angela Staubach Pres. of Amnesty Int'l

Not just a number

W
hat's up with the VAX numeric addresses? I'm sure I've read this before, but why are student e-mail addresses given only six digits here?

Many other universities (Miami and OSU to name a few) use a last name, as well as first and middle initials, as part of their username. Why not do that here?

Usernames that are actual names should not be restricted to faculty and administration alone. 123456@xavier.xu.edu looks very impersonal; this is contrary to what we were told as high school seniors and Manresa: we are not just another number here. Looks like the VAX fell behind here

Hence, I propose another solution: Why not give students
usernames that are similar to the username used to $\log$ on to computers in the computer labs?

For example, stalicajp@xu.edu sounds much more personal than 855571 @xu.edu, doesn't it? Then, you could give professors and staff members an address such as username@faculty.xu.edu or username@staff.xu.edu, whichever is appropriate.

Finally, administrators could retain their current addresses (Imincharge@admin.xu.edu).

I'm proud that we as students get personal attention here at Xavier, but there are a few gaping holes that need to be filled here.



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## Congratulations <br> KATE DONNELLON Winner of the $\$ 250$ gift certificate <br> She knew the following facts about XU students

A quarter (23\%) would prefer not to have alcohol available at parties they attend.

Most ( $68 \%$ ) believe that their friend would disapprove if they drank 1 or 2 alcoholic drinks daily.

A quarter (23\%) do not drink alcohol.
A minority (25\%) have missed a class due to drinking.

Most ( $66 \%$ ) have not been binge drinking in the past two weeks.
(A binge is consuming more than 4 [women] or 5 [men] drinks in one sitting).

The majority ( $92 \%$ ) believe that bingedrinking is a health hazard.

As many as $89 \%$ believe that drinking does not make them "sexier."

Only $20 \%$ drink 3 or more times a week.

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## XU elite in country

Over the past month, the country's best rifle teams have been stopping by Xavier's rifle range to take part in the 43rd annual Walsh Rifle Match.
Defending national champions, the University of AlaskaFairbanks, took the top overall honors with an impressive 6,241 aggregate score. UAF was the top team in both the smallbore competition ( 4,676 points), which they won by an astounding 51 points over the second-place team, and in air rifle $(1,565)$.
West Virginia (6,179), Norwich $(6,154)$, Murray State $(6,145)$ and Xavier $(6,142)$ rounded out the top five. Twenty-one teams competed. This match is used to determine the mid-season rankings that will not be readjusted until the NCAA Regional matches near the end of the season.
XU finished fourth in the smallbore event with 4,612 points. The Musketeers were led by freshman Thrine Kane who shot a 1,164, and junior Shari Jedinak who fired a 1,155 . Freshman Scott Kerr added 1,153 and sophomore Danielle Langfield turned in a 1,140. Matt Emmons from Alaska-Fairbanks led all collegiate shooters with a 1,180 .

In the air rifle event, the Musketeers again placed fourth with 1,530 points, one ahead of Norwich. Kane again led Xavier with a 393. Langfield and freshman Joe Fitzgibbon both shot 385 s , and Kerr addeda 367. Emmons was again the top individual, firing. a 396. Kane placed second overall in the individual standings with her performance.

This match places Xavier among the nation's elite programs and is a springboard toward the ultimate goal - a national championship. UAF is the clear favorite to repeat, but any of the top five could take the crown should they stumble.

Xavier will be in competition next at the Midwest American Rifle Conference-Ohio Valley Conference Shootout this weekend at Murray State. The match pits the nation's top two rifle conferences against each other.
-Matt Barber

## Shootout tickets

Tickets for this year's Crosstown Shootout will only be available for students on Saturday, Dec. 11 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the University Center Cafeteria Lobby.

Tickets will be given away on a first come, first serve basis, starting with the floor seats and then proceeding into the stands until the ticket supply runs out.

Students will need to bring their XU student ID in order to get a ticket, and will be allowed to get a ticket for one other person as long as they have that person's XU student ID as well. Both the ticket and the student's XU ID will be required for admission to the game on Dec. 18.
-Joe Angolia
 Green Bay on Nov. 19 to kick off the season. The Phoenix has been to the last two NCAA Tournaments and would be a tough challenge for XU.

Only the game did not start off that way as Xavier jumped out to a 20-4 lead with 8:17 left in the first half.

Junior center Taru Tuukkanen accounted for 12 of those points as she got wide-open looks under the basket following some solid passing by her teammates.

The rest of the half belonged to UWGB as they outscored XU 129 when Xavier fell into a defensive slump.

The score after the first half stood 29-16 in favor of the Musketeers.

The second half started with a quicker, sharper Phoenix keeping control of the game and closing the margin to seven on a $6-3$ spurt with 17:14 to go in the game.

A $10-2$ run by Xavier over the next five minutes kept the game out

NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY JOHN THOMPSON
Sophomore guard Nicole Levandusky (40) was named the A-10
Player-of-the-Week and the Seminole Classic MVP this past week.
of the Phoenix's reach for a short while, but they came charging right back.

UWGB put together a 13-2 run that closed the gap to just five points, but junior forward Jen Phillips and freshman point guard Amy Waugh powered Xavier's lead back up to 11 with 5:01 remaining in the contest.

Green Bay made one last charge over the next two-and-a-half minutes, but could get no closer than five points before XU pushed the final score to 62-54 for the win.

Three Xavier scorers were in double-figures, led by Tuukkanen's 16 points. Waugh poured in 15 and junior Nicole Levandusky added 12.

Tuukkanen alṣo grabbed a gamehigh seven rebounds, followed by Levandusky and senior forward Kim Hotz with six each.

Waugh dished out five assists and turned the ball over just one time in

38 minutes in her first regular season game in college.
"They come right back at you," said Balcomb of the Phoenix after they would fall behind Xavier by a few points.
"We still need to work on our defense," she continued, talking about the Musketeers lapses at times that let Green Bay back into the contest.

XAVIER 73, WRIGHT STATE 56
Xavier led the all-time series between the two former MCC rivals 11-7 heading into the game, and the Musketeers had the firepower to make it 12 wins, and nine straight extending back to the 1989-90 season.
XU played well enough to win the game, but the poor shooting of WSU is what clinched it. The Raiders were just 22-59 from the field and missed all 10 of their three-

## Classic

point attempts.
They also made good on 12 of their 15 trips to the free-throw line, but Xavier was better from the field and from three-point land.

On the boards, both teams had 37 rebounds, but Wright State won the offensive rebounding contest, 13-10.

The Musketeers only turned the ball over 13 times, compared to the Raiders who mishandled it 19 times. Xavier also stole the ball eight times from WSU.

Levandusky led Xavier with 17 points, followed by Tuukkanen with 15 and Phillips with 13.

Tuukkenen's eight rebounds led the team, and Hotz and Phillips followed with seven each.

Levandusky was 3-6 behind the three-point arc and added three steals on the defensive end.

Xavier led by 13 points, 33-20, after the first half, but only outscored Wright State by four points, $40-36$, in the second half on the way to the $73-56$ victory.

## SEMINOLE CLASSIC SEMIFINAL <br> XAVIER 80, ÓAKLAND 72

The Musketeers' defense fell into lapses of ineffectiveness in the first half against Oakland University, from Michigan.

The Golden Grizzlies held a nine-point lead at one point in the first half, and went to the locker room with a 48-41 lead over XU, thanks in part to a 5-11 shooting performance from three-point range.

In the second half, Xavier came storming back. With 17:38 remaining, XU regained the lead and held it until the end of the game.

After a 12-4 run, the Musketeers were leading 65-56 with less than 10 minutes to go in the contest, but OU tied the game at 70 and 72 before Xavier finished them off with the final eight points of the match.

The $80-72$ victory belonged largely to Tuukkanen who led all scorers with 32 points and rebounders with 13 boards. She also blocked three shots and snatched three steals. The only flaw in her 40 -minute performance was a 4-10 day at the free throw line

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Wednesday, Dec. 1
-Women's basketball vs. Bowling Green at 7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 4
-Men's basketball vs. East Tennessee State at 2 p.m. -Rifle at Murray State for MARC-OVC Shootout at 2 p.m.
-Boxing hosts Kentucky, Michigan and Miami (Ohio) at Norwood Golden Glove Gym at 4 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 5
-Women's basketball vs.
Cincinnati at 3 p.m.


Wednesday, Dec. 8
-Women's basketball vs. UNC-Charlotte at 7 p.m. -Men's basketball vs. Miami (Ohio) at 7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 11
-Men's basketball vs. Central Michigan at 2 p.m.
-Women's basketball vs. Eastern Kentucky at 4 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 18
-Men's basketball vs.
Cincinnati at 9 p.m.

-Women's basketball vs. Butler at 4 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 21
-Men's basketball vs. St. Mary's at 8 p.m. -Women's basketball vs. Dayton at 5 p.m.

> Home men's basketball games are held in the Cincinnati Gardens.

Home women's basketball games are held in Schmidt Fieldhouse.

Home games are in bold.

of the WEEK
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. CINCINNATI
3 p.m. Sunday at Schmidt Fieldhouse

The women's basketball team will be taking on crosstown rival UC on Sunday afternoon. If you are only going to come to one game all year, this is the one to see. Not only will the XU women put on quite a show, but you can boo the Lady Bearcats to your heart's content as the Musketeers grind them into the ground.

# Volleyball falls to Rhode Island 

## 23-7 record not enough as team loses to Rams in first round of A-10 Championship

BY JOE ANGOLIA Sports Editor

After closing out the regular season by rolling over Dayton (30 ), the women's volleyball team appeared to be on the right track heading into the Atlantic 10 Championship Tournament. The XU women hoped to carry over their late regular season success, winners of 11 of their last 13 matches, but were stopped short by a tough Rhode Island team in the first round.

## XAVIER DEF. DAYTON

(15-8, 15-11, 15-7)
The Musketeers welcomed the Flyers to Schmidt Fieldhouse on senior night as the team paid tribute to departing seniors Beth Osterday, Jenny Janszen and Kelly Williams.

The XU women sent the trio off with the best going away present of all, by sweeping A-10 rival Dayton.

In the first game, the Musketeers jumped ahead $6-2$ before seeing the Flyers charge back to cut the lead to 7-6.

The game would be all XU from there, as the Flyers were overwhelmed by strong front line play and powerful attacks on their way to a 15-8 Xavier win.

Dayton kept the second game close throughout, working the Musketeers to an eventual $9-9$ tie, before seeing the XU women move ahead 13-11.

At that point, sophomore Sara Bachus took over. Bachus forced side out on a play in which her attack shot bounced off an opposing player right back to her, where she proceeded to jump up and drive the ball into the ground again, this time for a kill.

Having regained possession, Bachus took the serve and went on to record two service aces as the XU women edged out a $15-11$ victory.


Senior Beth Osterday (number six) was congratulated by her teammates during a recent match. Osterday's impressive career at Xavier came to an end in the Atlantic 10 Championship when the team was defeated by Rhode Island in the first round.

After escaping the second game ing with 10 kills and 11 digs. The with a victory, the XU women relaxed somewhat and looked sluggish at the beginning of the third game, allowing the Flyers to take an early $5-4$ lead.

The Musketeers rebounded though, led by Janszen's front-line defense, to outscore Dayton 11-2 from that point on their way to a 15 7 victory.
"This really came as a surprise tonight, the girls played well," said head coach Floyd Deaton. "I just want to thank all the people that have followed our team this year."

Bachus compiled yet another double-double in the victory, finish-
ing with 10 kills and 11 digs. The Musketeers also received strong
performances from two other sophomores, Jill Hampton and Angela Rohling, who both put up big numbers for the Xavier women in the win.

Rohling passed out a matchhigh 33 assists to go with her 10 digs, while Hampton finished with a team-high 12 kills for the match.

The sweep over Dayton pushed the Flyers back to $10-8$ in the A-10 Conference, virtually knocking them out of the Atlantic 10 Championships.

The Musketeers however fin ished with a $23-7$ overall record
(13-5 in the A-10), good enough for third place in the A-10 and a berth in the Atlantic 10 Championships.

RHODE ISLAND DEF. XAVIER
(15-12, 15-11, 15-7)
Unfortunately for the XU women, standing in the way of their automatic bid was Rhode Island. The same Rams team that swept the Musketeers back on Sept. 17 and defeated them in five games back on Oct. 23.

The XU women were unable to fare any better in the third installment, falling short in the first and second games $12-15$ and $11-15$, respectively, before dropping the match 15-7 in the third game.

Rhode Island proved just as tough in the teams final meeting, as All-Tournament selections Christine Wilson and Julia Schlecht proved to be more than just formidable opponents against the Musketeers.
"We were prepared for the match, we practiced hard and watched film all week," said Osterday. "We lost eight games all year long and three of them were to Rhode Island. I guess they just had our number."
Wilson finished the match with 16 kills, while Schlecht dished out a match-high 37 assists to go with her 14 digs.

Both the Rhode Island offense and defense were too much for the XU women to handle, as the Musketeers managed just a .092 hitting percentage for the match.

Bachus, Rohling and sophomore Amanda Lang finished with teamhighs in kills, assists and digs, ccontributing in 10,33 and 16 , respectively.

Janszen and Osterday did their best in the final match of their collegiate careers, but were unable to lead the team to a victory.

Osterday finished with eight kills and 10 digs, while Janszen recorded seven kills and six blocks.

END OF AN ERA
Osterday will graduate as one of the most accomplished players in the program's history.

Her 433 digs this year move her into first place on Xavier's all-time career list with at total of 1,718 over 300 more digs than Jennifer Nunn's previous record of 1,407 (1989-92).

Osterday's season total also gives her spots two through four on XU's all-time season dig total. Her highest output came her freshman year when she recorded 462 digs.
Osterday's 313 kills this season gives her a career total of 1,376 , good enough for third place on Xavier's career list. Osterday's high kill output came during her sophomore season when she finished with 463 kills.

To top it off, Osterday will also finish in the top five career attempts list. Quite an outstanding career, from a player whose presence will definitely be missed next season.
"If I had the chance to do it all over again I would still come to Xavier. Not only is it a place for great athletics but it's a place for great academics," said Osterday. "The coaches and players here have been like my family these past four years."

Janszen will be remembered as one of Xavier's most efficient attackers. Her team-high .329 hitting. percentage this season is good enough for second place on the school's all-time list.

Janszen would hold the fourthplace spot as well, with her . 303 hitting percentage from her sophomore year, but sophomore Sara Bachus hit. 313 this season, bumping Janszen's old mark down to fifth place.

Entering this season, Janszen's career hitting percentage was 263 . This year's percentage should move her into third place or possibly even second place on the all-time list.

## Women: Three Musketeers given individual honors <br> Continued from Page 10 <br> In the second half, the Muske- <br> On Sunday, at 3 p.m., Schmidt

where she is usually more accurate. Levandusky scored 16 points, recorded five steals and pulled down 10 rebounds, and Hotz added 16 more points for the Musketeers who extended their record to 3-0 heading into the championship game.

## SEMINOLE CLASSIC CHAMPIONSHIP

 XAVIER 80, CHATTANOOGA 65Both teams entered the final game of the Seminole Classic with undefeated records, and both intended to keep them that way. Big games from Levandusky and Waugh assured the XU women's record would stay unblemished.

After the first half, Xavier found itself behind again, 31-30, despite shooting more accurately than the Mocs.

Xavier was 12-24 from the field and 3-10 from behind the threepoint arc.
teers came out like a team that just decided they would not lose the game.

They shot almost 71 percent from the field and made four of their six three-point attempts on the way to outscoring Tennessee-Chattanooga by 16 points in the second half, 50-34.

Levandusky again led the Musketeers, this time with 22 points. Phillips and Waugh added 21 and 19, respectively.

Sophomore forward Erin Senser came off the bench to add six important points in her 10 minutes of play, spelling the other post players.

Hotz cleaned the boards for a game-high 11 rebounds.

Waugh dished out six assists and only turned the ball over three times in 37 minutes. After a tentative first half, she began shooting the ball more when the player guarding her moved to double-team Xavier's post players.

She and Levandusky combined for 7-13 on three-pointers, and Waugh missed just one of her eight free throws.
"I'm happy with a 4-0 start," said Balcomb, "but I'm not happy with our defensive intensity. We have yet to put a whole game together, but we are steadily improving."

## INDIVIDUAL HONORS

Levandusky raked in double honors for her play this last week. Her performances in the Seminole Classic earned her the Most Valuable Player award for that tournament, and the Atlantic 10 named her the Player-of-the-Week for the second time in her career.

In addition to these awards, Levandusky hit the 140th threepointer of her career, and needs just 33 more threes to match the record set by Xavier Hall of Famer Carol Madsen-Miller who drained 173 shots from three-point land in her
areer from 1991-94
Tuukkanen was named to the All-Tournament Team on the strength of her outstanding game against Oakland in the first round of the Seminole Classic.
Waugh was tabbed as Co-Rookie-of-the-Week by the A-10 for her play in last week's three games, in which she averaged 10.3 points and 5.0 assists per game.
Her 19 points against Chattanooga were a career-high, but the career stats of this freshman consist of just four games.

## MORE TO COME

Xavier hosts Bowling Green today at 7 p.m. in Schmidt Fieldhouse. The Falcons are a smaller, quicker team that likes to shoot the ball from the perimeter.

Xavier could have match-up problems with them on defense, but it is something the Musketeers have dealt successfully with in the past four games.

Fieldhouse will be the site of the Crosstown Shootout between Xavier and Cincinnati.

The Bearcats hold a $15-6$ advantage in the series, and have won the last three contests, including last year's 65-61 overtime thriller in the Shoemaker Center.
Xavier then faces UNC-Charlotte on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. before hitting the road for three games against Eastern Kentucky, Butler and Atlantic 10 Conference rival, Dayton.

The Dayton game is always a spirited contest, no matter the records of the two teams. The Flyers have shown signs of being a good team this season in dropping a tough game to the defending National Champions, Purdue, by just two points.
by joe angolia
Sports Editor
Aside from an embarrassing 41point loss to Kansas, the Great Alaska Shootout was a success as the men's basketball team went 2 1 and took third place in the tournament.
After defeating Maryland-Eastern Shore, the Xmen traveled to Alaska and escaped with an 81-79 win against first-round opponent Louisville, lost to Kansas and then rebounded with an 81-65 victory over Washington to take third place in the tournament.

## XAVIER 96, MARYLAND

## EASTERN SHORE 52

The team's first game of the season allowed them to polish up their game before heading to the frozen tundra of Alaska. Head coach Skip Prosser decided to use the final warm-up before Alaska to test out freshman David West in the starting lineup.

West proved to be up to the challenge, finishing with 10 rebounds, nine points and five blocks in just 21 minutes of action as the Musketeers rolled to an easy win over the Fighting Hawks.

The offensive was revved up from the onset, as senior Darnell Williams started off the scoring when he drained a three-pointer off a pass from junior Maurice McAfee after the Xmen took possession on the tip off.

A three-pointer by sophomore Alvin Brown put the Musketeers up 11-2. It wouldn't get any easier from there for the Fighting Hawks.
West did it all in the first half as the freshman grabbed rebounds, scored much-needed inside points and blocked opposing shots. Though he played just eight minutes in the first half, West posted seven points, four rebounds and three blocks.
Williams and McAfee added 11 and 12 points, respectively, as the Musketeers cruised to a $46-27$ halftime advantage.
The second half wasn't any better for the Fighting Hawks, as the Xmen outscored their opponents $50-25$ on their way to a 44 -point victory.


Freshman David West (with ball) was named A-10 Co-Rookie of the Week after averaging 11 ppg and 8.3 rpg over this past week.

McAfee and Brown continued to utes of playing time he saw, while play well while splitting time at Turner finished with 10 rebounds point guard. The two combined for 30 points (McAfee 17, Brown 13), 12 assists (McAfee 8) and just three turnovers, providing some reassurance to all those who questioned Xavier's point guard situation entering this season.

Williams led all scorers with 20 points on 4-9 shooting from downtown. Sophomore Lloyd Price, whose time was reduced due to foul trouble, finished with 13 points and the most spectacular play of the game.

With the score 79-44 in Xavier's favor, Price took a pass from junior Reggie Butler, cut directly under the basket and finished the play with a spinning one-hand jam.

Butler and sophomore Aaron Turner both added a strong inside presence for the Xmen. Butler grabbed six rebounds in the $10 \mathrm{~min}-$
and eight points.

## XAVIER 89, LOUISVILLE 79

The Musketeers faced a tough Louisville squad in the first round of the Great Alaska Shootout, but were able to escape with a close, albeit controversial, win thanks in part to the implementation of an experimental rule the NCAA was testing out.

The Cardinals managed to build a one-point halftime lead (44-43) but found themselves down 81-79 with 29 seconds left to play in the second half.

Louisville decided to foul the Musketeers instead of allowing the Musketeers to run out the remaining time on the clock. Instead of going to the free-throw line, Prosser decided to take advantage of the experimental rule, which allows a
team the choice of either shooting free throws or retaining possession of the ball after the opposing team has committed its 10th foul of the half.

By keeping possession of the ball, the Musketeers were able to drain the clock and avoid giving Louisville the ball with a chance at a last-second win.

Williams, who scored a gamehigh 22 points on $4-7$ shooting from three-point range, finally went to the line after Louisville had committed its 10 th foul in a row with just six seconds left on the clock. Williams sank one of his two shots, putting the Musketeers up two.

A last-second three-point attempt by the Cardinals Reece Gaines missed at the buzzer, giving the Xmen a close victory and the chance to play Kansas in the next round.

West grabbed a game-high 13 rebounds and added nine points, while Turner posted 13 points and five rebounds in the win. McAfee and Brown struggled against Louisville. The two guards shot a combined 7-21 from the field and managed just five assists (Brown, four) compared to nine turnovers.

## KANSAS 111, XAVIER 70

Simply put, the 10 th ranked Jayhawks were too much too early in the season for the Musketeers to handle. After jumping out to a 9-2 lead and battling to a $21-21$ tie midway through the first half, the game appeared as if it would be a close contest.
From that point though, Kansas would outscore the Xmen $90-49$ on their way to a 41 -point blowout. The Jayhawks, who hit just 2-1I shots to start off the game, rebounded by making 42 of their next 52 shots.

Aside from making almost every shot they attempted ( 59.3 percent for the game), Kansas managed to out-rebound the Musketeers 51-26 and set a shootout record with 36 assists. The Musketeers had no answer for the Jayhawks' balanced scoring attack, which saw six players reach double figures, led by Jeff Boschee's 16 points.

McAfee, Xavier's leading scorer
against Kansas, finished the first half with 14 points but managed just two points in the second half. Price and Brown also scored in double figures, with 15 and 11 points, respectively.

## XAVIER 81, WASHINGTON 65

The loss to Kansas meant Xavier would have to play in the consolation game against Washington, their third game in a row against a team that advanced to the NCAA Tournament last season.

The Musketeers managed to pu the 41 -point loss to Kansas behind them and also were able to avenge their one-point upset loss to Washington in the first round of the 1998 NCAA tournament by beating the Huskies 81-65:

The Huskies were unable to outmuscle the Musketeers on the boards as Kansas had, losing the rebounding battle $34-37$, thanks to the efforts of Turner and West, who combined to grab 23 rebounds.

Turner finished with careerhighs in both rebounds (14) and assists (seven) while West, whose playing time was limited against Kansas after an asthma attack, grabbed nine rebounds and tied Price for the team-high in points with 21 a piece.
McAfee chipped in 12 points and six assists while Brown scored 10 points on $4-8$ shooting in 18 minutes of action.
With their win over Washington, the Musketeers earned third place at the shootout and survived their early season trial with a steady 3-1 record.

For his efforts this past week, West was named Atlantic 10 CoRookie of the Week along with George Washington's SirValiant Brown.
West responded well after being thrust into the starting lineup, averaging 11 ppg (12-18 from the field) and 8.3 rpg over the three games in Alaska. His 13 rebounds against Louisville is the fifth highest total ever by a Xavier freshman.

The Musketeers will be back in action on Saturday when they host East Tennessee State at 2 p.m. in the Cincinnati Gardens.

## The week in A-10 men's basketball

by SEAN O'brien Sports Writer
Temple and Dayton were the two biggest surprises of the week in the Atlantic 10. Temple, playing without senior point guard and potential All-American Pepe Sanchez, was upset by the Indiana Hoosiers on Saturday.

Sanchez sprained his ankle in the season opener and was still sidelined on Monday night when Temple rebounded with a victory over Florida State.
Temple is currently ranked 10th in the AP Top 25 poll. They are the lone A-10 team ranked in the either top 25 poll.

Dayton is off to their best start in 17 years. The Flyers are 4-0, after upsetting No. 13 -ranked Kentucky on Monday night.

Senior center Mark Ashman scored 15 points and grabbed six
rebounds while junior shooting guard Tony Stanley scored 23 points to lead Dayton to their first victory in Cincinnati since the 1981-82 season.

The Flyers' suprising win against UK has established them as early season contenders in the A10 West Division.

St. Bonaventure won the Sparkletts Invitational in Malibu over the weekend. The Bonnies were led by senior Tim Winn's Tournament MVP performance, beating Colorado State and UNCCharlotte on their way to the championship. The senior guard averaged 26 points per game to go along with his six assists and 10 steals.

Rhode Island suffered an overtime loss to Santa Clara in the opening round of the City Bank-Aloha Airlines Big Island Invitational in Hilo.

FOR WEEK OF NOV. 21-27

## PLAYER OF THE WEEK

JASON HARRIS
FORDHAM
$21.5 \mathrm{PPG}, 13$ STEALS

## ROOKIES OF THE WEEK

 DAVID WESTXAVIER
11 PPG, 8.3 RPG

## SIRVALIANT BROWN

GEORGE WASHINGTON
32 PPG, SIX REBOUNDS
The Rams rebounded nicely with a pair of wins over Cleveland State and Mercer, thanks to the performances of junior forward Luther Clay and freshman point guard Zach Marbury (New Jersey Nets
point guard Stephon Marbury's younger brother).
Clay averaged 21.3 ppg over the course of the tournament while Marbury posted an 11 -point, sevenassist performance against Mercer. Both players will help to fill the void left by Lamar Odom and former head coach Jim Harrick. Both Odom, the Los Angeles Clippers' rookie sensation, and Harrick, new head coach at Georgia, left town after the 1998-1999 season.

Fordham junior guard Jason Harris earned A-10 Player of the Week honors for the first time in his career. Harris averaged 21.5 points per game in victories over Richmond and Holy Cross. In the win against Holy Cross, Harris scored a career-high 25 points and had a school record nine steals. He currently leads the A-10 with 6.67 steals per game.

Freshmen David West of Xavier and SirValiant Brown of George Washington were named Co-Rookies of the Week:

Brown earned the honor for the second time in as many weeks by averaging 32.0 ppg in a pair of games for the Colonials. Brown has 77 field goal attempts and 48 threepoint attempts in four games for the Colonials. In case you were wondering, that is an average of 31.25 shot attempts per game for the freshman guard.

West averaged 11 points and 8.3 rebounds in three games for Xavier in the Great Alaska Shootout. West's freshman debut against Marlyand-Eastern Shore was a success as the first-year player finished with 10 rebounds, nine points and five blocks in the win.

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## CCM gala

On Saturday, Dec. 4, the University of Cincinnati CollegeConservatory of Music will host a special gala performance entitled "On the Wings of a Dream." The evening is part of a weekend celebration of the completion of its campus village.
Narrated by television celebrity Hugh Downs, with a special guest conducting appearance by Erich Kunzel of the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra, the performance showcases the wealth of talented students at CCM.

Tickets range in price from $\$ 35$ to $\$ 150$ and are available by calling 556-2100.

## Holiday carols

Feast of Carols, the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music's annual holiday choral celebration, will ring in the Christmas season on Sunday, Dec. 5 with two performances, 2 and 5 p.m., in Corbett Auditorium.

The performance will feature a wide range of talent from CCM's five choral ensembles, as well as the CCM Concert Orchestra.

Tickets for the event are $\$ 10$ for general admission and $\$ 5$ for non-UC students. They can be purchased by phone at 556-4183.

## Symphony update

Jesús López-Cobos will conduct the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra on Dec. 3 \& 4 at 8 p.m. at Music Hall.

Guest pianist Till Fellner will perform Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 5. Also on the program is Bach's "Fuega Ricercare," Weill's suite from "The Threepenny Opera," and Scriabin's "The Poem of Ecstasy."

Tickets are priced from \$12 to $\$ 46$ and are available by phone at 381-3300. Student tickets are $\$ 10$ the week of the concert.

## Jekyll \& Hyde

Landmark musical "Jekyll \& Hyde" will begin a two-week run at the Aronoff Center on Dec. 7. Performances are Tuesday through Saturday evenings at 8 p.m., Sunday evenings at 7 p.m., and Saturday \& Sunday matinees at $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

Ticket prices range betweeii $\$ 35$ and $\$ 55$ and are available by calling Ticketmaster at 241-7469. Student tickets are available for half price the day of the show.

## TGIF

Rock cover band Never Was will be performing at the Cincinnati Art Museum's Thank Van Gogh It's Friday party on Friday, Dec. 3 from 5:30 to 9 p.m.

Admission to the event is $\$ 6$ per person and $\$ 4$ for museum members. Price includes live entertainment, munchies and admission to the museum.

## Follow the 'woad to wu-in'

A NORTHERN BAND WITH A SOUTHERN SOUND? HAS THE WHOLE WORLD GONE CRAZY?

## BY JONATHAN MOSKO

Diversions Editor
Juxtaposition: noun - the action of putting things which are not similar next to each other, usually in or der to make a comparison.

- Cambridge Dictionary

While you ponder that, ask yourself this: What do ice fishing, cold weather, the Allman Brothers and Creedence Clearwater Revival have in common? Not too much, you say? Well, to prove us all wrong, The Big Wu traveled all the way from the Twin Cites of Minnesota to prove that southern-style rock can be found in the strangest of places.

One such place was the Barrelhouse in downtown Cincinnati two weeks ago, which became a home for a great many juxtapositions.

In the venerable old bar with its wise old owl for a logo, a sound was produced that usually is found in the warmer climes of the southern states. The classic look of the streetlamps
southern rock. Every-
thing seemed normal as the band appeared onstage, long-haired, bandana-wearing, dressed in flannels and workboots.

Dressed almost the same was the cluster of Wu groupies gathered in front of the stage. In fact, the only way to tell the difference between the groupies and the band members was to look for the people holding instruments.

As the band launched into their first song, a slow groove, kind of the Allman Brothers' "Ramblin' Man" meets DMB's "Jimi Thing," all expectations were tossed out the window.

Here was a very different, yet familiar sound
that illuminated the inside of the bar was offset by the multicolored globes placed on them; the etched-wood "on tap" sign over the bar looked odd next to the waiters' tie-dyed shirts.

Still, the biggest surprise that evening was The Big Wu, a band from up north who played definitively that fusion of country, blues and rock that made the Grateful Dead and Phish legends and inspired legions of followers.

The first song clocked in at around 10 minutes, and was pretty mellow compared to what was in store.


Hey,kids! "American Standard," Christmas comed yirected by Xavie alumnus Jay, Kalagayan will be performed by the Know Theatre Gribe on Dec. 3-4 and 9-11at Gabriel's Corner (1425 Sycamore St.) at 8 p m, with a matinee performance Dec. 5 at 2 pm, General admission is $\$ 10$, students/seniors $\$ 8$, with a $\$ 1$ discount for donating a roll of unused toilet paper. For information or to reserve tickets, call $871-1429$ or e-mai knowtheatre@hotmail.com

## - New Releases

The following discs are due for release on Nov. 30 ..
Original Soundtrack, Stuart Little (Motown) ... Original Soundtrack, The Talented Mr. Ripley (Sony Classical) ... Original Soundtrack, Topsy Turvy (Sony Classical) ... Original Soundtrack, Fantasia/2000 (Walt Disney Records) ... Krust, Coded Language (Island) ... Methods of Mayhem, Methods of Mayhem (MCA) ... Mystical, Let's Get Ready to Rumble (No Limit) ... Mytown, Mytown (Universal) ... Rakim, The Master (Universal) ... Sisqo, Unleash the Dragon (Def Jam) ..


The Big Wu: Jason Fladager, Andy Miller, Chris Castino, Terry VanDeWaliker and Al Oikari (left to right) brought their country / blues / rock act all the way from Minnesota to Over-the-Rhine to show us how it's done. Dig it.

The second song was more of a bluegrassy tune, a four-beat number that got the groupies down front swaying like wheat in the breeze. By this time, the dancing crowd in front of the stage had more than doubled from a handful of devotees to an undulating mass of about 15 . It was followed immediately by a bit of a New Orleans-jazz plus rock piece, with an accordion-part simulated by Al Oikari, the keyboard player. The multilayered sound was really quite impressive, and sparked some spirited "Yeehaw!" calls from the fans.

After a short pause, Wu glided into their next number, again a bluegrassy-rock piece, but this time with a little reggae-ska spin on it. Oikari supplied the saxophone parts, courtesy of the synthesizer, which sounded pretty convincing until it hit the high notes, revealing the limitations of artificial sound.
The tempo slackened a bit, but not for long. The next song was dominated by Oikari's rollicking piano work.

A few minutes into the song, he and lead singer/guitarist Chris Castino began a spirited duel of solos, going back and forth, progressively upping the tempo with a running bassline (courtesy of Andy Miller) underneath all the while.

It was not only clear that the band could play their instruments, but there seemed to be a close musical kinship, an understanding of sorts among the band members.

It was as if they had agreed to push each other to their muscial limits and beyond

After that fiery display, the band changed gears again, as drummer Terry VanDeWalker took the lead vocals on a more country-influ enced song, which called to mind the stylings of CCR or Lynyrd Skynyrd.

Oikari had double duty on this song, handling the keyboards as well as a slide guitar simultaneously.

At this point, the ebb and flow of the crowd dwindled, leaving two interesting gentlemen as the sole fans worshiping before the stage. One of them looked so much like Jay from "Mallrats" that one was tempted to look around for Silent Bob. The other could have been the model after which the Scooby-doo character of Shaggy was fashioned. Still, these were the real fans, dedicated and totally into the music.

Although the songs The Big Wu treated us to that evening were amazingly diverse, there was always a strong guitar presence in every song, usually established by guitarist Jason Fladager, who was so often lost in concentration that he appeared to be in his own world at times.

This semi-hypnotic state extended to the rest of the band, wrapping them in a veil of expressive solitude. From the first notes, it was clear that the Big Wu is a band of serious musicians.

The Barrelhouse was full of surprises that night, and in the end, the guys in the flannel and the tie-dye got the last laugh.

Visit www.thebigwu.com for touring information and updates.

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 'Sleepy Hollow,' sleepless nightsDIRECTOR TIM BURTON'S HORRIFYING TAKE ON A NEW ENGLAND CLASSIC

## BY JASON FABER <br> Contributing Writer

Everyone's heard the legend of the pedagogue Ichabod Crane and his ride one night with the Headless Horseman of the small New York town of Sleepy Hollow.
Some have even read the book by Washington Irving, and even more have seen the Disney take on the age-old folktale.
However, Burton's new movie takes a new angle on the terrifying tale of the beheaded Hessian and the cowardly Crane. Unlike the book or the Disney version, Tim Burton's "Sleepy Hollow" grabs the audience with its gory and graphic effects and its developed, revamped story line.
Burton, the dark director of several dreary classics such as 'Edward Scissorhands," the morbidly delightful "Beetlejuice" and the cutting edge "Nightmare Before Christmas,", takes the old ghost story from the pages of Irving's novella and refurnishes it with a new, more developed plot and several other occult characters adapted from the dreary lore of New England.

The story unfolds in the late 1700s in the rural Dutch town of Sleepy Hollow, which is in the grip of a terrible curse at the hands of a dead Hessian mercenary, the Headless Horseman (Christopher Walken).

Several murders occur which seem to have a link among the trustees of the town, especially concerning the Van Tassel family.
To solve these unspeakable crimes, Constable (meaning policeman for those who are history-illiterate) Ichabod Crane (Johnny Depp) has been sent from the prisons of New York City to solve the mystery of the Headless Horseman and locate the missing heads.
Arriving in Sleepy Hollow, Crane is sucked deep into the mys-

terious events surrounding the supernatural rider while the local villagers are killed off one by one.
Lodging with the chief magistrate Baltus Van Tassel (Michael Gambon) and his wife Lady Van Tassel (Miranda Richardson), Ichabod quickly falls for the bewitching Katrina Van Tassel (Christina Ricci).
Soon, Ichabod is plagued by dreams from his childhood and discovers the uselessness of his scientific tools against the supernatural. Through deduction, hopeless courage and some witchcraft, he begins to unravel the mystery of the Headless Horseman and his death-bringing, almost systematic midnight rides,

The movie supercedes Irving's classic book by adding more witchcraft, exploring more of the characters, developing the relationship between Katrina and Ichabod and expanding of the legend of the Headless Horseman.
"Sleepy Hollow" appeals more to the love of the old folktale than it does to the audience as a horror film.
Filled with several terrible scenes of slicing and dicing, "Sleepy Hollow" strikes the audience with quick fear and brings them to the edge of their seat from the fast-paced beginning.

Although the movie is confusing for the most part, "Sleepy Hollow" does a marvelous job of tying
all the loose ends together in the end and explaining the complex mystery which evolved into so much more than just a story of a vengeful ghost.
"Sleepy Hollow" may be to bloody for some, and there were many instances of unneeded violence, including the death of a young child, which was unsettling. "Sleepy Hollow" is no "Blair Witch Project," but it holds its own and definitely raises itself above the simple "slasher". movies of the '80s. The riding and fighting scenes between the Headless Horseman and the villagers, especially the arrogant Braun Bones, excite the audience with their speed and the directed attention upon the fighting skills of the dead mercenary.

The numerous special effects never become cheesy and only serve to propel the story forward, pointing to the skill Burton possesses for shrouding the movie in fear and anxiety regardless of how real or how fake the special effects look.

For those who know and love the fable and have read Irving's book, do not expect an exact replica, but a frightful version from the most macabre director Hollywood has to offer.

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## Over the Rhine takes over the Taft

## LOCAL BAND MAKES TRIUMPHANT RETURN HOME TO CELEBRATE 10 YEARS OF MUSIC

## BY JONATHAN MOSKO

 Diversions EditorDo you remember the way you looked at the world when you were 10 years old?
Almost through elementary school, you had learned all about things like multiplication and adverbs, yet you had that awesome sense there was so much beyond you that you hadn't even experienced yet.

Local band Over the Rhine is sharing that sense of wonder and excitement as they crown 10 years of music with a concert on Saturday, Dec. 11 at the Taft Theatre. They're no strangers to the Taft, having opened there last year for the Cowboy Junkies.

In the storied tradition of naming bands after cities (Chicago, Boston, Funkytown) Over the Rhine takes its name from the part of Cincinnati in which songwriter Linford Detweiler dwells.
Once the predominantly Ger-
man part of town, Over-the-Rhine is home to Music Hall, the Know Theatre Tribe and various other institutions of fine arts.

Over the Rhine (the band) formed around the nucleus of songwriter/guitarist/pianist Detweiler and lead vocalist/guitarist Karin Bergquist.

The supporting cast is somewhat transient, but a week from Saturday you can expect to see Jack Henderson playing electric guitar, Terri Templeton on backup vocals, Dave LaBruyere on bass and Don Heffington behind the drums.

Thus far, Over the Rhine has released seven albums, including the recent Amateur Shortwave Radio, a collection of concert recordings from the last several years.

The band has toured all over Europe, Australia, North America and Canada, opening for such acts as Bob Dylan, Shawn Colvin, Squeeze and the aforementioned Cowboy Junkies.


Over the Rhine and a few friends (above) return to the Taft Theatre a week from Saturday with special guest Leo Kottke.

In late 1998, they appeared with the Cowboy Junkies on "Late Night with David Letterman" and "Good Morning America."

Even though Over the Rhine is once again negotiating with a major record label, Bergquist prefers to think of the band as "an under-

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Stone Temple Pilots No. 4 (Atlantic)
Alternative: perhaps this early '90s, musically ambiguous genre no longer exists as it once possibly did in the music of bands like Pearl Jam, Soundgarden and Nirvana. Of course, these bands could have easily been pigeonholed into hard rock or rock/pop.
Fortunately, the birth of alternative was followed by its quick death. However, I can remember a time when "alternative" was a buzzword for bands. Maybe Stone Temple Pilots represent the last vestiges of a fading genre.

The band traverses several musical styles throughout the album. They begin with driving rock, "driving" because it drives one slowly insane with the obtrusive guitars.

They annoy with "Heaven and Hot Rods," which finds Scott Weiland waxing idiotic: "she walked in with her alligator sister/ tryin' to get to heaven on Sunday."

This abuse of the eardrums continues on "MC5," which bleeds through the speakers like a drunken sound check gone horribly wrong. Fortunately, "MC5" is short. Otherwise, my stereo would have activated its air pollution monitor and shut itself off. The album is not that intolerable, just not as good as it possibly could have been.

When the band averts from a barrage of guitar, thus, when they soften their sound, they sound wonderful. "Glide" is a pleasant trip through a combination of styles. You hear the over-amplified guitars
and zither, as well as a delectable piano fade-in. The song does what its title suggests.

The less overly wrought songs carry this album. "I Got You" is rather rustic, with a light, pop-country feel, similar to the Foo Fighters' "Big Me." The lyrics seem to refer to Weiland's recurring drug addiction: "And I got you to fill the craving that $I$ get inside my mind / when you're there to fill the space I have inside, I feel like cryin.'"
Similarly, "Atlanta," an orchestrated acoustic ballad, ends the album with radiance. Weiland's lyrics achieve proper emotional presentation: "She comforts me when the candles blow out / ... the laughter's all gone but the memories are mine." The orchestra creates a cloud for Weiland to sing and whistle through with wispy pleasure.

Stone Temple Pilots are not breaking much new ground here. The juxtaposition of musical styles on this album mirrors their past efforts. If Stone Temple Pilots could tone down some of their rants, the album would shine.

However, if the guitar wasn't covering the lyrics, one might realize that Weiland repeats himself an awful lot. The repetition of lyrics and chords jumbles a good portion of the songs contained here. How unfortunate. Yet, they only slightly tamper with the formula their fans enjoy. I suppose, for the fans, there really isn't any other alternative.

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December 1
Sifting through the Calendar City mail after our brief hiatus, I found a note from the People Who Need to Be Smacked Dept. The folks at the PWNTBSD, otherwise known as the Bureau of Smack, have brought to my attention that today begins the last month of this millennium. After realizing this, are you jumping up in indignation, squealing louder n' a greased sow (as we say in Southeastern Ohio), harping that this is in fact not the last year of the millennium? That technically, despite the awe-inspiring row of zeroes that will soon stand before you, next year is the last year of the millennium? If so, then guess what. You need to be smacked! Stop being such a whiner and pop the cork like the rest of us. If you refuse to do so, agents from the Bureau of Smack will soon be on your door step.

If I was stuck at sea in a nearperfect storm and had run out of coffee, the only letter I would know how to Morse code back to headquarters would be "o" (---). I would be in some kinda trouble. So, either I learn Morse code, or just stick with the International Coffee Hour. Or get a walkietalkie. The middle one will take place at 3:30 p.m. in the Romero International Center.


By Jennah Durant To place an item in the calendar, call 745-3122 or mail to ML 2129.

Some Falcons of BGSU (Beluga Growers' Salty Undergarments) are in town. Say they can play b-ball. We'll see about that. Actually, the women's team will do most of the seeing about, since they play the dirty Falcons at 7 p.m. in Schmidt Fieldhouse.

## IFDRSDAY

December 2
If anyone is out on the academic mall today, and I know you will be, yell "Happy 450 th Landing in Japan Anniversary St. Francis Xavier!" Reportedly there will be a slew of important people walking around for lecture and stuff for this momentous oceasion, so be really nice.

I say "Biz Markie," you say "Humpty Dance." I scream, "No, you big dummy head." I give you another chance. You say, "Bust a Move." I smack you around and say "Just a Friend." You smile gratefully, then go to the sports center from 10:06 p.m.-2 a.m., where the same Mr. Markie will act as D.J. You will also produce a $\$ 10$ ticket, having purchased one already at the SAC office.


December 3
Go to the Cohen Art Gallery at 5 p.m. Pretend you are Chazz Palminteri drinking from a coffee mug. Get suprised, drop the mug, look at the pieces of the former mug and find out the name of the artist featured in today's opening. If you don't want to pretend, I'll just tell you. It's Kobayashi. Hisako Kobayashi.

You can pick your friends, you can pick your friend's guitar, you can pick your nose with your friend's guitar, but you can't pick your improv troupe. Someone else did that for you. To see the results, bring $\$ 3$ to Kelley Auditorium at 9 p .m. to see Toolbox. (If you forget any of that, refer to their randy flyers with "screwed" on them.) Think of scenarios for the funny people to enact that don't have to do with gay porn, beastiality or small children in compromising situations. You will still laugh, I promise.

The Do-Gooding Committee of the English Club has selected your next assignment. They en-
coded it in order to maintain covertness. The event is: oetrypay eadingray. Meet at: Ellarminebay irclecay, at 6:50 p.m. You will be going to the Clovernook Center for the Blind. (That part I really don't understand.) Estimated time of getting back to campus (the ETGBC) is about 9:30 p.m. Eat this message immeadiately. after reading it.


Don't nothin' get past the men's basketball team. They know the best way to prepare for a game against the No. 1-ranked team in the country and their down Reading Road nemesis is to play East Tennessee State. And that they shall, at 2 p.m. in the Gardens. At the Gardens. Among the Gardens.

If you missed Toolbox last night, or if you went last night and thought of a funnier profession than "proctologist" to yell, then go again. It's the same place and time and price and everything.

When horses used to draw fire
wagons in the olden days, they
sometimes got out of their stables. Then they would walk up the stairs. That's why firehouses have spiral staircases, so the horsies won't walk up them!


December 5
Crosstown Shootout seems like a bit of a misnomer, no? In Cincinnati, wouldn't that be, like, Beechmont vs. Price Hill? I guess the "Corryville vs. Evanston Shootout" just doesn't have the same ring-a-ding-ding to it. Debate this within yourself whilst watching the Shootout, Take 1, as the women's basketball team makes shish kebabs out of UC at 3 p.m. The skewering will take place at Schmidt Fieldhouse.


December 6
Be thankful today that you aren't a bird who used to live in the North lot. Then you would have to roam Norwood looking for a branch upon which to rest.

## TUESDAY

December 7
The government should take a hint from the Mad Frog. To get people to vote, make them pay! That'll surely enliven the public. Go watch 2 Day Panic Attack battle bands at 8:30 p.m. It's $\$ 5$ if you wanna vote, free if not.

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