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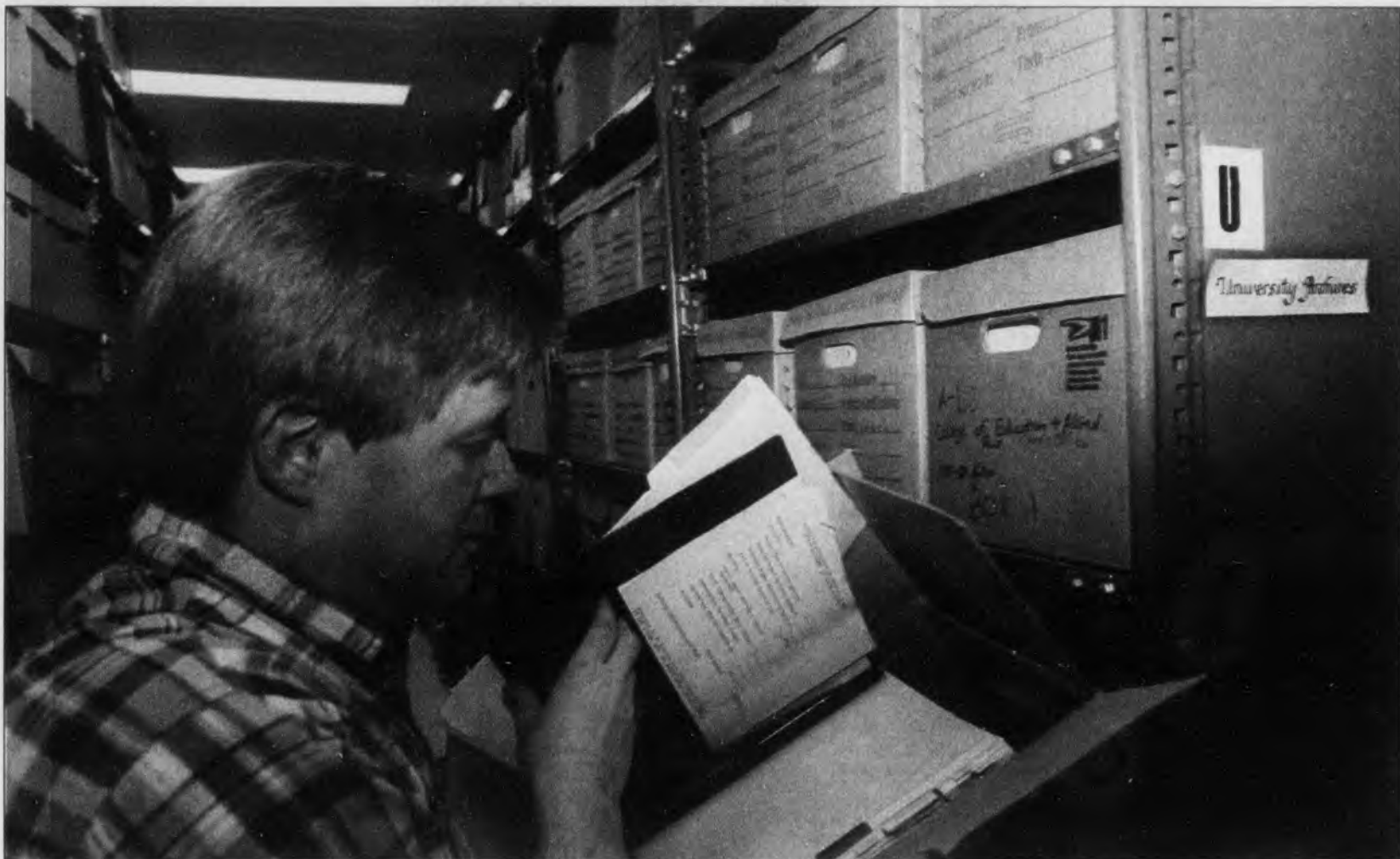
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BEN FRENCH/ The BG News

Steve Charter, reference archivist, looks through a box of archives at the University Center for Archival Collections. Although Charter feels fortunate to have such treasures, he fears that \$25 million worth of historical documents are at risk because the library lacks modern fire prevention equipment.

MATT STEINER  
STAFF WRITER

A soldier fighting in the Civil War writes a letter to a loved one describing his loneliness and glory. Walt Whitman pens poems for the first edition of his collection "The Leaves of Grass." A blues musician works day and night, losing sleep and toiling over just the right song to grace the vinyl disk that will bear his name.

Jerome Library houses many materials that give clues to such events that have shaped our history and culture. These treasures, which fill the Music Library and Sound Recording Archives, the Popular Culture Library and the Center for Archival Collections face the threat of destruction 24 hours a day.

The library, built in 1967, was erected prior to modern fire codes and lacks state of the art fire equipment. The building is "grandfathered" by law, meaning it does not have to comply with today's codes when inspection day rolls around.

Each floor does possess a "better than average amount of fire extinguishers," according to Paul Yon, the director of the Center for Archival Collections. Fire hoses protect the floors containing the special collections and the personnel working with these priceless materials have been trained to operate them in case of an emergency.

But, according to campus

fire safety officer, John Curlis, the library is "really in a risky situation right now." Curlis and his department recommend that a state of the art sprinkler system be installed to provide the best possible protection.

However, water could also destroy such precious materials.

Curlis understands this threat. That is why he suggests a "pre-action system" which is the same type used at the National Archives in Washington D.C.

Pre-action combines a wet/dry system that is connected to a smoke or heat detection device. When not in use, the sprinkler lines are full of air rather than water, protecting the materials against damage from leaky pipes. As soon as sensors detect a threat, the air is forced from the lines sending the necessary water to the rescue.

This wet/dry system still does not eliminate the use of water entirely, but Curlis said that pre-action is the best fire suppression system for this type of application. He added that, once detected, "most fires are extinguished with fewer than five sprinkler heads," keeping damage to a minimum.

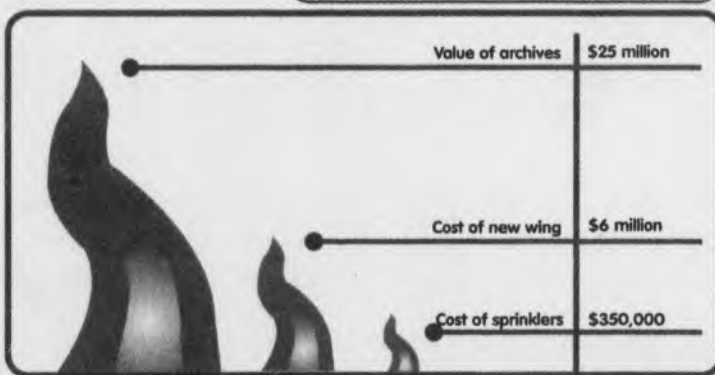
Linda Dobb interim provost and Chris Miko interim dean of Jerome Library said plans are in progress to protect these collections. Many of the periodicals and printed materials have been put on microfilm and reside in a depository in Perrysburg. A con-

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## Endangered Archives

Archives in danger of being destroyed by fire if new prevention system not installed soon

### Estimated Cost Comparison



JIM BAER/ BG News Graphic

## City feels relieved as New Year's scare fizzles

JENNIFER LULEY  
STAFF WRITER

For most people in Bowling Green, the feared Y2K computer problem will go down in the record books, not as the nightmarish event some had predicted, but just as another day.

Problems were averted in the Bowling Green area following months and even years of planning to avoid difficulties that could have occurred on Jan. 1, 2000. It had been feared that computers in Bowling Green and around the world would assume the date was actually Jan. 1, 1900.

Thankfully, this wasn't the case, said city officials.

Lieutenant Brad Conner from the Bowling Green Police Department said Y2K problems were easily summed up.

"We didn't have any problems," Conner said. "It was so uneventful."

But that's not to say the department wasn't prepared should something have gone wrong. The BGPD established a command post at the police department on New Year's Eve, with representatives from all city departments prepared to take on any problems that could have arisen.

Representatives were on hand from 10:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. just in case something did

happen. In addition, all city vehicles were fueled and ready if it became necessary to leave the post. Representatives monitored CNN reports from around the world should problems have been reported from other areas of the globe that needed to be corrected in Bowling Green as well.

"We had been preparing for Y2K for many weeks going in," Conner said. "We thought we were in good shape and as it turned out, we were."

Daryl Stockburger, director of utilities for Bowling Green, said the case was similar for his department.

"We had no problems at the turnover," Stockburger said, adding that one piece of data collections software was later affected by Y2K.

As a result, the department lost the ability to immediately print certain documents, but the problem has since been corrected.

Preparations for Y2K began about six years ago, Stockburger said. These included the purchase of a new mainframe computer system as well as necessary software patches.

"We knew about Y2K glitches in plenty of time," he said. "And while we had fixed everything we thought of, we had people on

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## U. survives first day without Union

BRANDI BARRHITE  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Union regulars didn't let the closing get them down as students and faculty alike adjusted to lunch time without a Union yesterday.

Sharon Franklin, administrative secretary of design and construction, decided to eat at Founders instead. "They have a nice variety here," she said. "I'll miss the Union, but Founders is close to my office."

Union regular Joe Gray, associate professor of German and Russian Studies, also decided to give Founders a chance. However, he missed the Union menu and wished that the Founders menu was online so he could see what they were serving before he walked over.

Opal Smith, who used to work in the Union and is now relocated to the Founders Snack Bar, said there was a steady flow of people in Founders yesterday, but not an onslaught of people.

"We haven't had any problems," she said. "We expect things to continue going well."

Homer Fry, a Founders server who works the pizza line, said he didn't notice any more people than usual. "It is just like any other day," he said.

Tim Holland, Commons food server, had a similar story. Traffic in Commons was the same as usual besides a few more students, he said.

In fact, David Crooks, the director of the Union, said he was pleased

● See UNION, page 10.

## Planning keeps campus Y2K compliant

JENNIFER LULEY  
STAFF WRITER

Few problems for the University community resulting from Y2K were reported. Those that did arise were minor, according to University officials.

Planning and preparations for any problems that could have arisen as a result of computers misinterpreting the year 2000 for the year 1900 paid off for the University offices and departments.

According to Toby Singer, executive director of Information Technology Services for the University, the new year arrived virtually flawless.

"It went very well," Singer said. "So far we've really had no Y2K-related problems."

The University has been working for more than four years to avoid the potential problems.

Singer said ITS went as far as changing the date to read 2000 on University computer systems over Thanksgiving break to assess any potential problems before resetting the clock when classes resumed the following Monday.

"We tested and retested to make sure everything was ready," he said.

While unlikely, Singer said this does not mean Y2K-related problems won't arise in the coming weeks. A date particularly in mind is Feb. 29, the first leap year day of the millennium.

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JIM BAER/ BG News Graphic



Men's basketball goes 5-1 over winter break.

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# WORLD

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## WORLD

# Cuban ordered to stay in States until March

**SHEPHERDSTOWN, W.Va.** — Peace talks between Israel and Syria recessed Monday without agreement on new borders or any other major elements of a land-for-peace treaty despite rigorous American mediation.

As the two delegations packed to go home, State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said they would resume negotiations on Jan. 19, probably in the Washington area. "We are on the right track," he said. He gave no indication how the gaps might be closed quickly.

The basic shape of a treaty has been clear since Prime Minister Ehud Barak took office last July.

## NATION

**RICHMOND, Va.** — Douglas Christopher Thomas was executed by injection Monday night for killing his girlfriend's parents when he was 17.

Thomas, 26, made no final statement.

Thomas fatally shot James Baxter Wiseman and Kathy Wiseman as they slept in their Middlesex home on Nov. 10, 1990. The Wisemans had been trying to end the relationship between Thomas and their daughter, who was also convicted in the killing.

**LOS ANGELES** — New evidence from NASA's Galileo spacecraft bolsters theories that a liquid ocean lies beneath the crust of Jupiter's moon Europa, scientists reported Monday after analyzing results from the probe's latest flyby.

The findings indirectly support the case for life beneath the moon's icy crust. Some experts believe primitive organisms could survive just as they do deep in the Earth's ocean near volcanic vents.

"Certainly if you are going to look for other environments where life might form or be able to survive, this might be a good one," said Torrence Johnson, Galileo's project scientist at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

**MIAMI** — A Florida judge on Monday ordered 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez to remain in the United States until March, a ruling that delighted the Cuban boy's relatives in Miami and defied a federal government order that he be sent back to Cuba by Friday.

Miami-Dade Circuit Judge Rosa Rodriguez issued a temporary protective order so she can hear arguments filed by Elian's Miami relatives, who are seeking temporary custody of him. The order requires Elian to remain in the area until the March 6 hearing.

Waving a copy of the ruling, Lazaro Gonzalez, the great-uncle who is seeking temporary custody of Elian, yelled "Victory for Elian!" in Spanish before going inside the family's home in Little Havana.

"Today is a great day for Elian," said his attorney, Spencer Eig. "(The ruling) will provide Elian Gonzalez his day in court."

If Lazaro Gonzalez is appointed Elian's guardian, he could seek political asylum for the boy.

Elian was found Thanksgiving Day off the coast of Fort Lauderdale, clinging to an inner tube after his mother, stepfather and others drowned while attempting to reach the United States.

In a case that has touched off huge protests in Miami and Cuba, the Immigration and Naturalization Service ruled last week that Elian should be returned to his father in Cuba by Friday — a ruling endorsed by President Clinton and Attorney General Janet Reno.

The INS said it found that the boy had a close relationship with his father and was ordering Elian back to Cuba because he "belongs with his father."

But the judge said Monday that the petition from the boy's Miami relatives "contains sufficient verified allegations that if emergency relief is not granted and Elian is returned to Cuba he would be subjected to imminent and irreparable harm, including loss of due process rights and harm to his physical and mental health and emotional well-being."

INS spokeswoman Maria Cardona said the agency had no comment until its lawyers had a chance to examine the ruling. Another INS spokesman, Mike Gilhooly said: "The INS has no plans to do any enforcement action on Elian. We have no plans to change the custody arrangement of him being with his Miami family." He did not elaborate.

Bernard Perlmutter, director of the University of Miami's Children and Youth Law Clinic, said the judge's decision was "politically popular," but legally wrong. He said the INS can ignore Rodriguez's decision and return the boy to Cuba.

There was no reaction from the Cuban government, which had already scheduled an evening pro-Elian rally in front of the U.S. Interests Section in Havana. The Cuban government has repeatedly urged citizens to stage mass protests pressing for Elian's return.

Elian's father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez, said his ex-wife did not get his permission to take Elian out of Cuba. Gonzalez, with the backing of the Cuban government, has demanded that his son be returned. But Elian's relatives in Miami say they can give him a better life off the communist island.

As part of the judge's ruling, Gonzalez was ordered to appear at the March hearing. Her order said that his "failure to appear may result in a decision adverse to his interests." Gonzalez has said that he would not travel to the United States to retrieve his son.

The international tug-of-war over the young boy now includes several efforts by Congress to intervene in his case. On Friday, Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., tried to delay Elian's departure by issuing a subpoena that requires the boy to testify before a House committee Feb. 10.

Vice President Al Gore has even become involved, questioning earlier Monday whether the INS had the expertise to decide Elian's fate.

"I'd like to see the dispute adjudicated in our courts, where traditionally questions like what is best for this child are decided," Gore said in an interview on NBC's "Today" show. "This child's mother died in



Six-year-old Elian Gonzalez is escorted at dismissal time after school Mon., Jan. 10, 2000. Associated Press Photo

an effort to get her child's freedom."

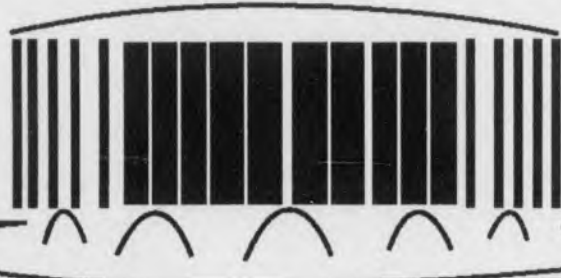
At the White House on Monday, Clinton would not comment on Gore's comments.

"Anybody's free to express their opinion about this on whether they think they did right or wrong," the president said. Like Gore, he also

would not comment on Burton's subpoena.

But the subpoena drew fresh criticism from Robert Edgar of the U.S. National Council of Churches, which sent representatives to visit Elian's father in Cuba and supports the boy's return.

"Little Elian deserves to be reunited immediately with his biological father and closest family members in Cuba," Edgar said. "The longer this whole process drags on, the more disconnected this small child becomes from those who have raised him and who love him."



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PAGE 3® MANIFESTO

Hi.

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What in the Associated Hell does "Page 3®" mean? Here to answer that question is the Benevolent Page 3® Editor, J. Michael Bestul:

Look at it this way... If The BG News was a king's court, Page 3® would be the jester. If this newspaper was the commedia dell'arte, we would be the harlequin character. If this publication was a stage, Page 3® is the Marx Brothers; if a movie, we're a Mel Brooks film. If what you currently hold in your hands was a TV show, this section would be "The Kids in the Hall." If The BG News was a fruit—

As you might observe, Mr. Bestul is overly fond of his metaphors. What he is attempting to state is that Page 3® is here for the purposes of entertaining, amusing, and possibly even enlightening you. Page 3® is a relief from the world around you—

Like when Winston Churchill watched "Monkey Business" to distract himself while London was being bombed during World War II.

Uh... sure. Perhaps it would be optimal to explain how Page 3® plans to accomplish such a lofty goal for this semester, Mr. Bestul.

Ah, right. Page 3® will use a multi-pronged attack on your sensibilities to keep you amused throughout the week. Friday brings prose to this section. KRISTALYN SHEFVELAND will provide a weekly bit of creative writing at the end of each week. Sit back and relax over the weekend while reading a piece of creative flash fiction.



J. MICHAEL BESTUL  
editor  
PAGE 3

Wednesday is headquarters to a column. A humor column. Each week, DENISE DOMANSKI shall offer humorous insights into the world that is Bowling Green State University.

Monday is reserved for chaos. That's the day I get to put some of my musings on display for Page 3®. Sometimes you'll read a column, other times an infographic, maybe some drawings or even the return of "Fun with Floating Heads." Always different, always amusing.

To accompany all these will be the other facets of Page 3®. There will be syndicated comics (look for the return of "Skully"), student comics (hint, hint), an occasional Word of the Day, URLs to humorous websites, a spotlight of humorous news events and many other features you can look forward to in this, your Page 3®.

I do mean "your" Page 3®. This section officially known as THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF PAGE 3®. I want to hear what the adoring (or spiteful) masses have to say about this section. Tell me what you like, what you can't stand, what you cut out and plaster all over your walls like a Backstreet Boys poster. Ideas, critical feedback, congratulatory remarks, comics, amusing news articles, and your first-born can all be sent to me so that I may better amuse you. I thank you.

Thank you, ladies and gentlemen. Please now proceed to page 4.

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### Ohio weather

Tuesday, Jan. 11

AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures

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WEDNESDAY: Mostly Cloudy High: 40° Low: 26°

THURSDAY: Snow High: 38° Low: 28°

FRIDAY: Mostly Cloudy High: 33° Low: 20°

TV GUIDE SECTION

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# OPINION

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## Grandma wishes for Ku Klux Klan Day

"Shoot! I can't believe that some people won't celebrate Martin Luther King Day. Shoot! If the Ku Klux Klan had a holiday, I'd celebrate it," words spoken by my very opinionated grandmother in response to a newscast about states still refusing to acknowledge Martin Luther King Day as a national holiday, "who wouldn't want a day off of work?"

I said - Grandma Tran, that's a horrible thing to say.

She said, "It's not like I'd be parading around town in a white hood with burning crosses in my front yard. It's just another day off."

But I asked Grandma Tran - Aren't you promoting the wrong idea?

"I'm promoting a point, David," Grandma Tran said "To everyone, every holiday is the same holiday. Which includes gifts, Hallmark greeting cards, eating a big dinner, sleeping, then going out to a theater, then getting some liquor and getting some. People waking up with hangovers, slung over their toilets - Lord, it's the only evidence people have of a happy holiday."

I was shocked - Grandma Tran, how can you say such a thing?

"Hush now, boy, how do you think you and your daddy got here? But back to my point, holidays these days have lost their traditional meaning. Do you think that the baby Jesus looked up at the Three Wise Men and said - gold, frankincense, and myrrh? That's it! No



ful of sharp broken promises wrapped in bloody treaties.

And what is New Year's now - shoot! Ain't nothing but Dick Clark's mug on TV. I wish that dirty old man would finally die, or at least get a frickin' wrinkle. Essentially holidays are nothing more than occasions telling us to observe presents, turkeys, and roses, instead of the deeds of our dead.

I gave up fighting with Grandma Tran, and just let her finish.

"But you know what pisses me off the most," she said, "It's not like those white people have to do anything special, like hang pictures of Martin Luther King on their walls."

I pleaded with Grandma Tran - you can't just say white people Grandma, that's not right. Aren't you being racist?

"Yeah," Grandma Tran said, "I said white, David, and I'll say it again - white. Do you know why? I tell you why, because no black person would say - no way I'm going to celebrate that Martin Luther King - just didn't like the man's politics, that non-violent and church approach for equal rights just didn't do it for me."

People don't have to boycott buses and play Outkast's "Rosa Parks." People don't even have to go to his grave or street, because you know everybody's got a Martin Luther King Boulevard within driving distance.

Is it bad to be sincerely proud of

a man that speaks his mind? Is it bad to speak well about a man that had the courage to point out the unjust?

America's forefathers based this country on standing against evil. For God's sake, the Declaration of Independence is a letter telling Great Britain where it can shove its tea, then signing it "Hancock."

Martin represented such ideas, but it's a shame that there are people that don't want to acknowledge him for it. It would be a crime, but those same people are just robbing themselves."

"Grandson," she said, "I'm just saying that people have to remember the true meaning of a holiday - you know beyond the gifts and food. It's about loving people and ideas so much that it takes you more than 24 hours to love it fully, because it's important enough to hold with both arms. It's not like people have to do anything special either, but at least they should remember why they are taking the day off, keeping the idea close to them instead of having it fed to them. Now why don't you be a good boy and ruo out Grandma's aching corns."

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## PEOPLE on the street

Question: What's the most eventful thing that happened to you over break.



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Senior Sports Management  
"I ate a peach."



**Kevin Humphrey**  
Senior Education  
"I popped the cork on a nice bottle of champagne."



**Timothy Masie**  
Junior Secondary Education  
"Went on a magic carpet ride."



**Christopher Stone**  
Junior MIS  
"I brought in the New Year with a bang."



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BY RYAN ELLIS

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After all the hype about the new millennium, the Y2K bug and the doomsday predictions, the world woke up on Jan. 1 to discover that nothing more than another day had passed.

Computers still functioned, power grids had not shut down and locusts were not feasting on the carcasses of the condemned.

In fact, the biggest Y2K problem was probably the hangover.

A number of people were duly disappointed. The earliest bowl games had hardly started before everyone from the journalists who over-covered Y2K in the first place to their arbitrarily chosen experts proclaimed the millennium a bust.

"See," said the critics, "The power is still on. Computers still work. Locusts are not feasting on the carcasses of the condemned. There were not even any significant terrorist activities reported in the newspapers. All of this concern about the millennium was in vain!"

And people rushed to return the bottled water, generators, canned foods and Playstation memory cards that they had hoarded to prepare for the end.

This disappointment in the new millennium was based on several incorrect assumptions.

The most significant, perhaps, is that the Y2K bug was likely to cause the major catastrophes that were possible. It was conceivable, of course, that computers controlling power grids and defense systems would malfunction and kill us all, but it was not likely. The fact that businesses and the government made contingency plans for the



"Say what you will about the Four Horsemen, but don't expect them to fall for marketing types."

worst possible scenario did not mean that they would come true.

Additionally, the preparations that were made may have saved a host of systems, and the Y2K bug allowed no positive publicity. Harsh criticism has arisen in the case of no major errors, but it would be worse had there been many major errors. Even had there been a happy mix of small and major errors, so-called experts would have castigated business and government for their sloppy, meager fixes.

Much more likely were the smaller errors that are now happening. A server for a Danish bank crashed, driver's licenses could not be issued in much of New Mexico, a train-related system in Mali crashed. And the most important errors have not even happened yet. They may arise

as tasks like payroll, billing and scheduling are used in the coming weeks and months.

To assume that the Y2K bug ends with the passing of New Year's Day is similar to assuming that a building that does not collapse at the first quiver of an earthquake is forever safe.

Other false assumptions about the new millennium also fed the disappointment, starting with the belief that it starts this year. The new millennium starts, in fact, next year, since there was no year 0. The millennium that started this year was the fake Millennium, a marketing event designed to sell things.

The psychopaths who seriously believe in the significance of millenniums know this. Sure, they hoped that the end might alter its schedule to accommodate the rest of the world, but it's not really a problem to them.

Say what you will about the Four Horsemen, but don't expect them to fall for marketing hype.

And don't expect Islamic terrorists (never to be confused, of course, with mainstream Muslims) to fall for it, either. For starters, they run on a different calendar - this year is 1421 on the Islamic calendar - so the infidel's millennium doesn't mean much to them, unless they want to crash his party. Additionally, much of the fear about terrorism was founded on events that happened only a couple of weeks before the New Year. If one expected terrorists to behave like typical college students, such fears would be well-founded. One can imagine the scene:

Terrorist 1: Hey, let me drive with Koopa this time!

Terrorist 2: No! Use Wario. Isn't it going to be cool blowing up Times Square?

Terrorist 1: It will, dude. Hey, wait a second! Isn't that next week?

Terrorist 2: Oh, crap! I haven't even started making the bomb yet, and customs has boosted security! Osama's gonna kill me!

One expects actual terrorists, alas, to take their jobs a little more seriously. What then is the meaning of the seemingly last-minute attempts by those Algerians to sneak into America?

In my opinion, it can mean only one thing: They are creating a smokescreen so America will let down its guard while they prepare for the real Millennium.

Add the delayed effect of the Y2K bug, the mysterious missing explosives in Fresno, California, heightened tensions in the Middle East and Asia, global warming, the burgeoning global population, Russia's appalling record for protecting its nuclear property, platinum credit cards virtually given away to people like my sister, and an overall drop in respect for the law, and I think you will begin to understand why the smokescreen of the "fake Millennium" is so dangerous.

So how should one prepare for the "real Millennium?" I would suggest plenty of water and canned food, though I suspect that both will be useless without a quality lead suit and plenty of locust repellent.

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## Why the Grammys Suck

It is that time of year once again. The people behind the Grammy Awards announced those lucky artists who are up for honors. And for some writers, like myself, it is an opportunity to moan and complain.

Unless you had a huge comeback or you were a worker at the bubble gum factory, chances are you were overlooked. Carlos Santana was the big winner with 11 nominations, including Album of the Year, Song of the Year and Record of the Year. With all of this talk about Ricky Martin, Jennifer Lopez and the whole Latin explosion, it is nice to see that Santana received so much recognition. Think about it Santana was on the scene and breaking ground long before Ricky ever shook his — bon-bon.

The Backstreet Boys were another big winner with four nominations. The Backstreet Boys? Who came up with this list? OK, "I Want It That Way" was a well produced pop song and all, but Album of the Year? I don't want it that way.

Best New Artist is going to be interesting. For one, Brittany Spears and Christina Aguilera are both up for the honor. Kid Rock is the stand-out in this field. Not to burst Kid's bubble or anything but, he really is not "new." I remember looking through the CD selection at the mall and finding several old Kid Rock albums. Macy Cray also made the cut. Unlike some of fellow nominees, Gray has a distinctive voice and sound. She was also able to gain the honor with very little marketing or promotion. She also has many music critics in her corner. The two teen-divas will probably cancel each other out. Kid Rock may be too loud or too offensive for some Grammy voters. Gray should get her acceptance speech ready now.

With the rap-rock hybrid making so much noise, it is a little surprising to see that only Kid Rock got a nod in a major category. It was the marriage of rap and rock that made waves in 1999. The Grammy people must have been sleeping under a rock. Or worse yet, they were listening to the Backstreet Boys.

The Grammy voters also must not have cared about rap or hip-hop. Except for their own categories, there is very little in the way of rap or hip-hop. Seeing that these styles of music are so huge and are making such an impact, it is almost a crime that these artists do not get as much recognition as they should.

On a more personal level, where is Fatboy Slim? The man comes up with an amazing album and he only gets one nod. Moby only did slightly better. Are the Grammy people telling me that techno/big beat/dance, whatever you call it, is not music? I could go off about all of my favorite artists who did not get nominated, but that would take forever.

However, when you sit back and really look at it, 1999 was a dull year. Entertainment Weekly even noted this when they made their picks for top albums of the year. There were tons of little things going on in music, but nothing was really breathtaking. Someday, the Grammy's will be a perfect representation of music, but that day is definitely not now.

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## Students feel tickets cost too much

By JAMES ELDRED  
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

With students returning to campus this week, many will go out to see the latest movies in the theaters around town. However, many people think their choices in this area are not fair.

When going to see a film in Bowling Green students only have two choices, the Cla-zel and Woodland Mall Cinemas. Both theaters have prices that students find reasonable, but due to limited screens, they can not carry all the films that students want to see.

Because of this, many students go to Toledo and Maumee to see the latest movies. There they pay prices that many consider much too high. Almost every theater in Toledo is run by National Amusements, a national chain. Their cinemas are named Showcase Cinemas. All but two theaters in Toledo are Showcase Cinemas.

Prices for Showcase Cinemas are some of the highest in the state, at \$8.00 for a regular ticket price. The only other cities that have regular ticket prices of \$8.00 are cities dominated by National Amusements. No cinema in the state has a regular ticket price set at \$8.25 except the Showcase Cinema in Maumee.

"They're pretty damn steep," said Chris Toth, a junior visual communication technology major. Toth is

from a town called Mentor on the Lake outside Cleveland, where tickets cost only \$7.00. Many students

*"Duh! Didn't you take business class? That's what we want!"*

**Tammy Linskey, Public Relations Connection for National Amusements**

like Toth say that in their hometown ticket prices are cheaper. They are not used to such high prices.

Another student, Tom Stanton, a freshman visual communication major from Solon also believes that ticket prices are too high in the area. He goes to see the theater about four times a month but says, "I would go more if they were a lot less. In Solon, tickets are only \$6.75 at night and only \$4.50 for matinee shows."

Faculty are also unhappy with the prices. James M. Pfundstein, a professor for the Classical Civilizations Department, doesn't go to see movies very often partially because of the high ticket prices. "They're just too high," said Pfundstein. The problem is even worse when you have a family of four.

Tammy Linskey, corporate Public Relations Connection for National Amusements, said National



Amusements sees nothing wrong with total domination of an area. "We're dominating the market, that's what we want," she said. Her response to the issue of a lack of consumer choice because of her company's domination was, "Duh! Didn't you take business class? That's what we want!"

Francesca Dinglufan, exhibitor and international editor for Box Office Magazine, said that what national theater chains like National Amusements want is complete dominance in smaller cities. They come in early and take control of a city as soon as possible. This is true with National Amusements, the first national chain to set up theaters in Toledo. They have been in the area since 1964. Since National Amusements bought the three AMC theaters in Toledo in the mid-90s, they have been the only national chain in the city.

While this sounds like a monopoly, legally speaking it is not. "You don't have to go see a movie," said Dinglufan. Also, there are two separately owned theaters in Toledo, the Sundance Drive-in and the Woodville Cinemas. "They can't



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**The local Cla-zel Theatre (top) has to compete with the national theatre chain National Amusement.**

call them monopolies," she said. "But in my opinion, they are monopolies."

National Amusements is able to maintain complete dominance in the Toledo area because Toledo is not a big enough city to hold two major theaters. Dinglufan said that some cities "can't support two 20 screen theaters." Other chains will not even

bother opening a large theater in the area. These incredibly large theaters drive other theaters out of business. It hurts the theater business because there are less theaters open, and hurts the consumer because they have less choices.

"The best market is the one with many medium sized theaters," she said. "The more choices the better."

## 'Magnolia' offers unique story

**Erik Pepple**

Entertainment Asst. Editor

The worst part about being a human (apart from dying) is when we realize that life and reality do not revolve around us. In fact, they revolve around something as enigmatic as chance and coincidence. Taught to believe we are the center of the universe, that Jesus wants us for a sunbeam or whatever euphemism you choose, we always stare down the cold hard truth, that forces of nature just don't give a damn. We are simply cogs in the wheel of reality.

So what do we do when we are bitch-slapped with the truth that we cannot dictate our lives, that no matter how we try, chance and cosmic accidents are what truly set our way in life? The lazy way would be to simply resign ourselves, sit down and spend an eternity chomping on Fun-Yuns and sucking down Colt 45. Sure it's fun, but it's also spiritually and emotionally empty. So we look for other ways to reassure ourselves that life is more than

chance, that there can be solid, understandable things.

Paul Thomas Anderson's sprawling, jaw-droppingly compassionate opus "Magnolia" is an operatic discourse on chance, coincidence and finding something in life to hold onto. Using Los Angeles and a

dozen or so residents as his canvas, Anderson paints a portrait of a world where lives constantly intersect—sometimes humorously, sometimes tragically. And within those intersections lie



moments where people can sate themselves with the belief that true love can be theirs.

"Magnolia," on the surface, is about chance, but at its heart it is about love. Misguided love, true love, parental love, sexual love, disgraced love, defaced love, any kind of love you can think of. Characters as varied as a misogynist self-help guru (Tom Cruise in a performance so stunning, many will be left flabbergasted) who promises to teach men how to make women their "sperm receptacles." Sure he seems like a jerk, but he longs for love and to be reunited with his abandoned father (Jason Robards, in his best work since "Reunion") who is dying of cancer. Crossing their paths are Robards' ice-princess wife (the great Julianne Moore) who realizes the

man she married for money is the man she truly loves. Then there's the game show host, Jimmy Gator (Toledo native and all around good guy Phillip Baker Hall) who wants redemption for his past.

It doesn't end there, however. There's former child star "Quiz Kid" Donnie Smith (William H. Macy) who appeared on Gator's quiz show. Smith claims he has "lots of love," but nowhere to put it. So he

seeks out companionship through orthodontic work (a long story played for darkly humorous laughs). And the list goes on.

At the heart of the film, though, is the relationship between cocaine addict Claudia (the luminous Melora Walters) and noble, idealistic cop Jim (John C. Reilly, excellent as always). On a routine call, Jim falls madly in love with Claudia—a woman who heretofore sought out cheap sex and drugs in a way to feel loved. Their relationship is based on the simple fact that all people need is someone to be good to them, someone to listen to their worries. Anderson seems to be saying that the key to feeling secure in a universe that constantly mind screws us, is to be nice. Sure it sounds kind of trite, but being good is the only constant, the only thing that will stand up in the face of a world that seems to be crumbling on all sides.

Anderson, a prodigy whose previous film was the brilliant "Boogie Nights," has crafted a film that

somehow balances biblical plagues (the final ten minutes toss the film into a realm of Monty Python strangeness that fits perfectly with the theme of the picture). Fortean philosophy, musical numbers, Alan Thicke jokes, the tragedy of death and much, much more. This is an astounding achievement—a movie that for some will be like banging their head into a brick wall, and to those willing to stick with its flights of fancy and invention a transcendent movie going experience.

Like the comparable "American Beauty," "Magnolia" is a sympathetic film that takes characters who could be used as the butt of misanthropic jokes and places them into a world that does not seem to care then gives them moments where they can find something as beautiful as love and forgiveness.

In the end "Magnolia," for all of its rich layers and deeper meanings, is a film that embraces the simple joy of being embraced.

### 'Magnolia'

**NOW Says:**  
Amazing film about life and love.



**Starring:**

- John C. Reilly,
- Melora Walters, Phillip Baker Hall, Jason Robards, Tom Cruise, Julianne Moore, William H. Macy, Jason Blackman.



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Julianne Moore and Jason Robards share a loving moment.



# Video Games

## Madden vs. Gameday

By MATT PAPROKI  
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

This could go down as one of the best feuds in gaming history. Each year, both Madden and Gameday push each other to the extreme resulting in a tough choice for the consumer every time. Let us dissect the Y2K issues of these two great games.

### First area: Graphics

Madden suffered last year from an atrocious and totally unacceptable frame rate. This year, EA upped the ante in this area by pushing the frame rate up significantly. The players vary in size this year meaning Gilbert Brown is just a hint bigger than Jerry Rice (note: This is sarcasm) Gameday takes the same route but it doesn't seem as noticeable as it is in Madden. The players are bulkier in Gameday, but the frame rate is just as good as Madden's. The winner in this category: Madden due to the better looking players, but just barely.

### Next up: Sound

Gameday has had the same crowd sound since its inception in 1996. While this is annoying, the rest of the sounds are simply superior to Madden's. Gameday has some classic sports songs playing in the background after touch downs and whenever else you may score. Madden sounds good during the menu screen, but is still sub-par during the actual game. The play-by-play is good in Gameday, but way too many phrases are repeated, especially during the much hyped tele-strator feature. Madden has the classic Maddenisms and the usual play-by-play, but it is nothing spectacular. Your winner: Gameday by far.

### Lets compare the Control....

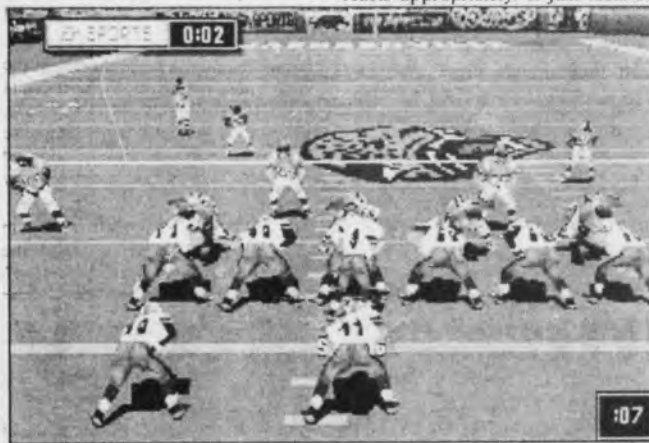


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EA Sports' Madden 2000 falls short in comparison to Gameday.

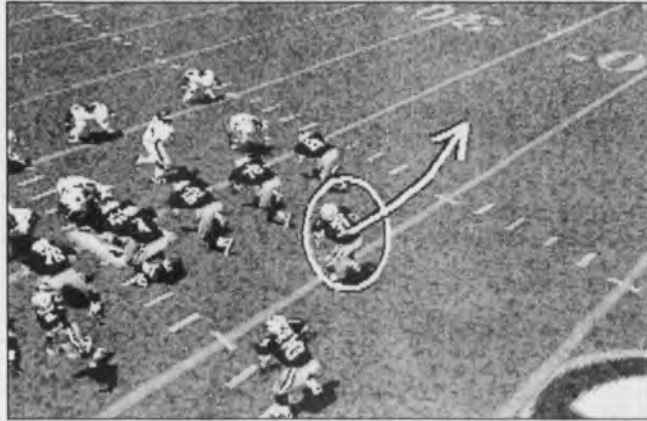


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### 989 Studios' Gameday 2000 is the tops.

Madden is usually superior in this category, but Gameday is always improving. This year puts both games very close to each other. It will come down to a personal preference here. I personally prefer Gameday's and always have. I've never liked Maddens sliding players, but now Gameday seems to have adopted this also. When moving left or right, players now slide instead of just turning. This goes against both games, but Gameday still takes the cake when it comes to the running game. Gameday moves so well, there is no chance for Madden to catch up, even with its improvements. Winner, in my opinion, is Gameday, albeit closely.

### The big one: AI

Being that I am not a big fan of football, this is a tough category to judge, but I do know a hard game when I see it. Gameday seems hard for all the wrong reasons. Short passes are almost guaranteed, while the bombs are constantly intercepted. Madden just seems to "know" where your going and the defense reacts appropriately. It just feels so

much better than Gameday's "intercept when I want to" AI. The winner by a HUGE distance is Madden. What does each game feature? Madden, well, every EA Sports game has always given the gamers what they want in features. It's no different this year. The now standard feature of uploading your player from EA's NCAA Football. Multiple seasons is also now a standard feature. Gameday also has these features but one ups Madden by allowing you to play 35 consecutive seasons! Madden has the new "Madden challenge." Each challenge is a predetermined "mission" if you will such as gaining so many yards in a single game and/or season. Completing these will unlock many secret teams hidden on the disc. Gameday's only feature that can even stand up against Madden's is the improved create-a-player. You can now create a "super player" by combining the best features from the actual quarterbacks in the NFL. Want to give your player the arm of Marino with the running skills of Young? It's possible, but remember that this ups the amount of cash you'll be dishing out for that player, and of course the salary cap is in effect. The new hyped telestrator feature in Gameday proves worthless as the announcer repeats himself WAY too much. The winner here again is Madden.

### And the winner is...

This year was by far the best year for both games. It always seems to come down to personal opinion, so no matter what I pick, Madden fans will of course take its more simulated like approach compared to Gameday's arcade style. Personally, I take Gameday. It's much easier to get into and it's great for multi-player because of this. I'm a big fan of the atmosphere Gameday creates unlike Madden. Gameday gives you the feeling of being there with its awesome music and crowd even if it's the same crowd they used in '96...

## Oliver Stone's 'Any Given Sunday' hard-hitting

By JAMES ELDRED  
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

Many people say that our generation is influenced by MTV. We all crave fast-paced images that last no more than three seconds, a constant soundtrack of fast-paced music, and above all, sex and violence. If this is true, then everyone in the 15-30 age group should love "Any Given Sunday," Oliver Stone's latest film about the insanity that is pro football.

Al Pacino is Tony D'Amato, coach for the former champion Miami Sharks that are in the middle of a horrible three game losing streak. Suddenly, he loses not only his star quarterback Jack Rooney (Dennis Quaid) but also his backup, in two plays. Thrown into the game is Willie Beaman (Jaime Foxx) a third-string quarterback who has not seen any action on the field all year. In fact, he's so surprised that he actually gets to play that he repeatedly vomits on the field.

Soon Willie is the star as his unique playing style is picked up by the sports reporters as being the next big thing. The team starts winning, much to the delight of it's owner Christina Pagniaci (Cameron Diaz) who wants to fire D'Amato and relocate the team.

The only person that doesn't seem happy about the sudden turn around is D'Amato, who is con-



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Jamie Foxx is Al Pacino's star player in Any Given Sunday.

cerned that Beaman is destroying the team. Beaman doesn't do the plays the D'Amato calls, he is very cocky, and never gives anyone else on the team credit for their success.

When a movie is about football, it's very important that the football scenes are well-filmed, and thankfully they are here. Stone seemed to be relying on hand-held cameras for many of the shots, with most of the action being shown to be very shaky and blurry. At first it doesn't work well, but it gets better quick, making even the smallest play something worth watching.

Adding to the excitement of the camera work is the stellar choice of music throughout the movie. There's dozens of songs throughout the film, including tracks by Moby, Kid Rock, Black Sabbath, LL Cool J, DMX and Hole. Each play usually has a different song, and each are used with the direction to give the game an intensity previously unseen in film.

The only times that this film seems to suffer is when it spends too much time off the field. Oliver Stone directs everything, not just the football games with very fast cuts and odd angles, and it does get old. Some scenes are very overdone with heavy symbolism, which make them longer than they need to be. A prime example of this is Beaman's dinner with D'Amato. We know these guys don't get along, we don't need constant cuts to the storm brewing outside and scenes from "Ben-Hur" spliced into the film to let us know, it becomes annoying after a while.



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Al Pacino is coach D'Amato.

**'ANY GIVEN SUNDAY'**

**STARRING:**  
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# NOW SOUNDS



## Beck: *Midnite Vultures*

1999 - DGC

Beck is totally insane. I started to think this when I first heard "Satan Gave Me A Taco" off his 1994 album *Stereopathetic Soul Manure*. My belief then was reinforced while hearing all the songs of lunacy off his classic 1996 album *Odelay*, such as "Devil's Haircut", and of course, "Where It's At."

But when I heard the first chorus of "Nicotine & Gravy" the second track on his latest album *Midnite Vultures*, I think we're going crazy/Her left eye is lazy/She looks so Israeli/Nicotine and gravy." I knew my beliefs were true.

The insanity did not stop there, however. It lasted throughout the entire funk filled opus that is *Midnite Vultures*. In its 58 minutes and 19 seconds in length there are 11 tracks (plus hidden bonus sounds). All are destined to be classics and all are totally insane.

There's the first song, "Sexxx Laws" which delightfully sets the tone for the entire album by being full of wonderfully odd lyrics, mixed with an insane amount of samples and sounds that are all just as odd as the lyrics. Horns blaze as wa-wa guitars go into full effect while Beck sings "Coquettes bitch slap you so polite/Till you thank them/For the tea and sympathy."

Sure, this album is pretty stupid, but once you put it in, you won't care because it just sounds so good. Beck masterfully combines techno, rap, rock, and most noticeably 70's funk into his trademark sound that defies all known categories. If any song on this 60 minute acid trip fits one category than it would have to be the funky finale, "Debra." This song just makes you want to get up and get your groove on. Its slow

beats, great guitar work, awesome keyboard effects and above all, Beck's insanely high voice would surely make George Clinton proud.

I don't have the time or the space to go into just how amazing and delightfully weird and original this album is. Just drop the paper, go out and buy it. Because, as Beck says in "Mixed Bizness", he can make all the B-boys and lesbians scream.

GRADE: A+

- James Eldred



## Rich Creamy Paint: *s/t*

1999 - BMG

Rich Creamy Paint, led by singer Rich Painter (hence the name) started a wave across college radio stations, since he picked up a deal with Hollywood records and dropped out of a Nashville college.

The band, comprised of Painter and girlfriend Mindy Woolson on keyboards which in itself is sickeningly cute. The album's nonsensical lyrics and poppy, snappy chords make the entire thing a sugar overload.

The band is reminiscent of high school proms and locker-sharing, which is incorporated into the songs. The band must have shined in a time when they were living at home, eating their parents' food and listening to Weezer in between "jam session" in the basement.

The songs are catchy, but the chord patterns become predictable after a while and nothing can save the babbling lyrics, like the song, "I got A.D.D." "I got A.D.D. / you're always on my mind/as I got this feelin' you always on my mind" and "You're a 10/ You're a 10/ you're my best friend/ you are my sugar baby," in the song, aptly titled "You're a 10"

It is not surprising that the band was given a deal thanks to Painter's uncle who works

for a major record company and produced and engineered by Painter's dad. The band will soon sell out and become another star are VH1's one hit wonders, if they are lucky to land a song on a major radio station and it seems that they are already on their way. Besides bombarding the college circuit, Painter made a cameo appearance in Disney's new film, *Horse Sense*, obviously to pick up the nine to twelve crowd.

Rich, Creamy Paint does supply a number of light tunes with simple harmonies, but after a while you realize they all sound the same. And, like Len's "Steal My Sunshine", after a while you just want to chuck such nonsense out the window. If your looking for something new or prophetic, this is not the album for you.

GRADE: C

- Chasity Lester



## Bill Frisell: *The Sweetest Punch*

1999 - Decca Records

Last year's Elvis Costello and Burt Bacharach collaboration was a strange alliance that yielded a beautiful, unabashedly classical pop album. It put the adult back into adult contemporary.

After a Grammy win and numerous accolades, the songs from *Painted From Memory* pop up yet again this time in a series of new arrangements by avant garde/post-bop jazz guitarist Bill Frisell.

Frisell has taken the Costello & Bacharach compositions and created new sounds that while not entirely successful are at least interesting.

Some of the pieces (especially the title track and the poppy "Such Unlikely Lovers") sound far too much like elevator music for comfort. In fact on more than a handful of tracks you get the feeling you've stumbled

upon the soundtrack to the Weather Channel.

But Frisell and the enormously talented crew working with these songs (premier vocalist Cassandra Wilson, Lyle Lovett session man Victor Krauss and Costello himself to name three) are too smart to let the elevator music crowd the disc.

The worst track on *Painted From Memory*-the obnoxious "The Long Division" benefits from exciting the labored lyrics and instead becomes an airy instrumental aria of loss. Frisell opens and interprets the music in a subtle way giving the song a depth and potency sorely lacking from the original version. Other highlights include the lush new arrangement of the soaring pop gem "God Give Me Strength" which is transformed into a rollicking, bumping waltz and the haunting "This House is Empty Now," with fretwork reminiscent of Angelo Badalamenti's bizarre compositions for David Lynch's films.

*The Sweetest Punch* is an uneven album-half elevator music and half fascinating experimentation-that will appeal mostly to Costello enthusiast and Frisell fanatics.

Grade: C+

- Erik Pepple



## Aimee Mann: *Magnolia* s/t

1999 - Reprise Records

Paul Thomas Anderson's new movie, the great "Magnolia," would be unthinkable without Aimee Mann's superb song score.

Anderson's goal was to replicate what Mike Nichols did with *The Graduate*-have one artist be the "voice" of the characters, sort of act as an unofficial narrator. Being an enormous Mann fan (Anderson readily acknowledges that

many of Mann's songs were the inspiration for "Magnolia"), Anderson recruited Mann to write a suite of songs. Mann has long been one of the most underrated artists of the 90's. Dismissed as a one hit wonder thanks to her work with 80's power pop band 'Til Tuesday, Mann went her own direction and produced a body of work that puts to shame most current artists.

She writes classy, intelligent songs that can convey infinite meanings with a clever turn of phrase or insightful comment. And her work has rarely been as strong as it is on this soundtrack. From her cover of the Three Dog Night song, "One," to the shuffling show tune inspired "Momentum," her music accurately captures "Magnolia's" themes of despair and longing. But no song on the album shines quite as brightly as the heartbreaking "Deathly," in which acts of kindness become weapons in emotional warfare.

The "Magnolia" Soundtrack also features some filler material- 2 songs by Supertramp and a hopelessly optimistic pop song by dance hall chanteuse Gabrielle- as well as a snippet of Jon Brion's glorious orchestral score.

But this soundtrack is Mann's show all the way, and she has produced a superb work of art.

GRADE: A

- Erik Pepple



## 'Man On the Moon': s/t

1999 - Decca Records

The new film "Man on the Moon" tells the story of comedian Andy Kaufman. Many did not fully understand Kaufman, and in a way that spirit and theme is continued on this CD.

The CD is mainly comprised of the film's score, which is mostly written and performed by REM. Including the band's new track "The Great Beyond". To describe "Beyond" is simple it is fantastic. It is beautiful and very well done, and goes along perfectly with the REM classic, "Man on the Moon", which is also featured.

concerned, it sounds like any other film score that you might hear. However, it is well written and well performed. "Milk and Cookies" is a particular favorite partly because of its dialogue at the beginning.

As stated before, many did not understand Kaufman, and there are parts of this CD that reflect that. For one we have the theme to TV's "Taxi". Second there is the theme from *Mighty Mouse*, which was part of Kaufman's stand up routine.

Then we have to put up with Jim Carrey. Granted, he is a good actor, but he can't sing. This is the same man who destroyed "I am the Walrus" on a Beatles tribute CD. This time he performs as Kaufman and Kaufman's alter ego Tony Clifton. These two characters get together with REM on "This Friendly World". You just see Michael Stipe cringing as he shares the microphone with these two.

To make matters worse we have the Tony Clifton butchering of "I Will Survive". This is like listening to nails on a chalkboard. From all indications in the liner notes, it is Carrey doing the singing. Remember, we are dealing with a CD based on the life of Andy Kaufman, so you may never know.

If you want to hear Kaufman sing, stick to the genuine article, which is also on the CD. You will either love his work or hate him, but that is how Kaufman was received in real life.

The only other remaining track is the Exile classic "Kiss You All Over". You won't really recognize it until the chorus hits. It does help the listener remember what decade this story is taking place.

"Man on the Moon" is a mix of the popular and the misunderstood. The entire CD fits into the life and public image of Andy Kaufman. Some things, like the title track, fit in and make perfect sense. Other things don't. As other critics pointed out when they took a look at the movie's artwork, Andy's place in Hollywood was on the edge. Remember, this is Andy's soundtrack.

GRADE: C-

- Lisa Bettinger

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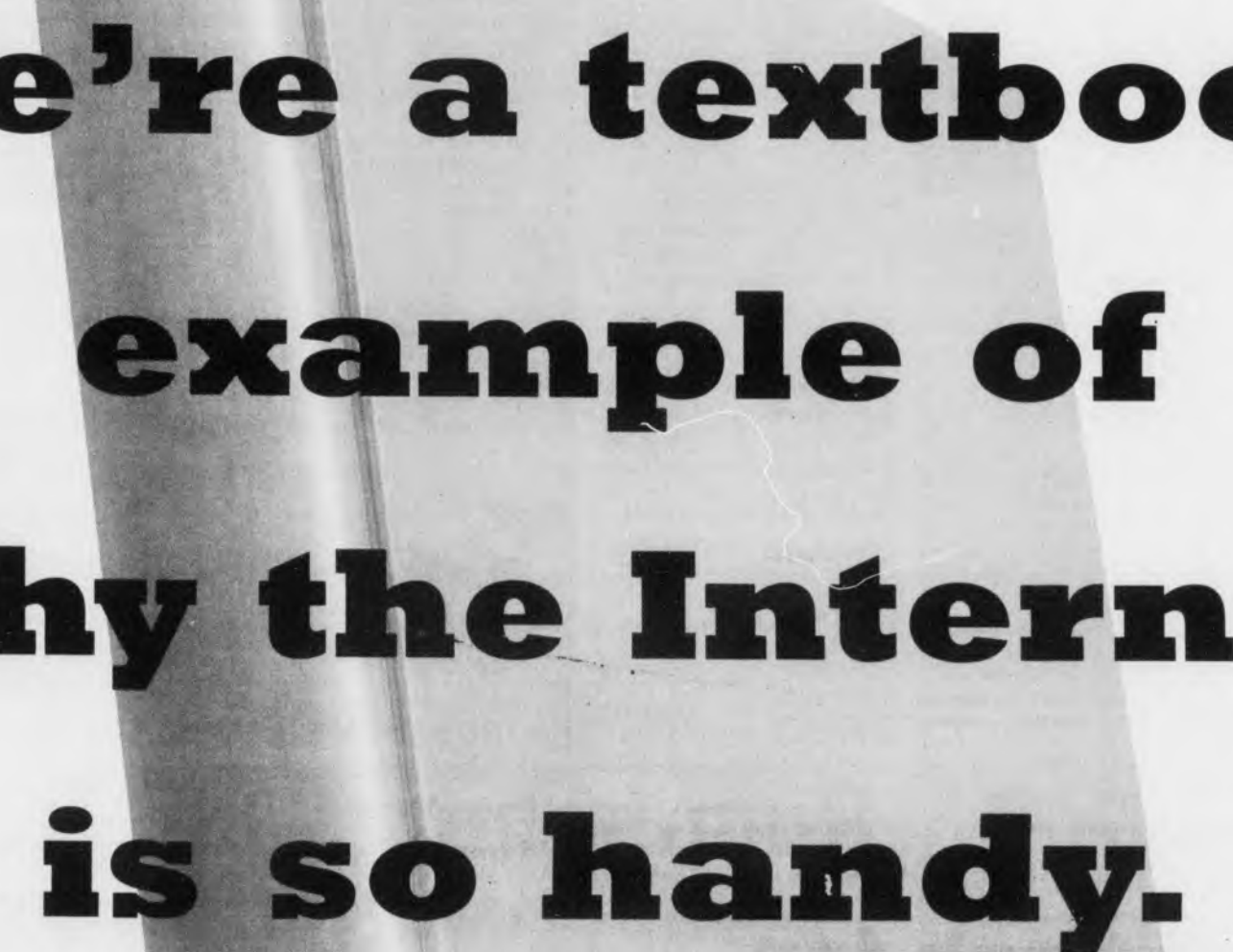
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## ARCHIVES

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sultant will assess the situation and give estimates and recommendations for renovations some time during this academic year.

This is not the first time the issue has been addressed. The threat and possible solutions have been brought up several times in the past, according to reference archivist Steve Charter, who has been at Jerome for 13 years.

"There has been discussion over the years about getting a sprinkler system, but the cost and the issues about where to place it have put out the fire, so to speak," Charter said. "The dean's office had a study done

and had estimates given, but it never happened."

Not all believe that installation of a state of the art sprinkler system will fully protect the materials. Atmospheric conditions in such an old building pose the threat of decay deteriorating the inks and papers of these artifacts.

"What we really need is to build a new wing onto the library with a vault for our precious items," Dobb suggested. "This is the intellectual capital of the University. We want to protect it so that people can use it for years to come."

Miko and Yon both said that an investigation of the cost of building a new wing or separate building has been conducted in the past.

"It's an idea that sort of creeps up periodically, but didn't get really a lot of attention," Yon said. He added that other priorities around campus and the issue of money have "most certainly" played roles in stalling these initiatives.

Dobb added that estimates show a new wing of approximately 60,000 square feet would cost nearly \$6 million to build. Sprinklers protecting floors three through six at Jerome would run nearly \$350,000.

Greater costs could result if nothing is done. Even minimal damage would result in lost history and culture.

Primary source materials in the field of arts and sciences line the shelves on the fifth and sixth floors.

The Center for Archival Collections not only possesses many historical documents such as letters, diaries, photos, periodicals and manuscripts dating back to the late 1400s, but it is responsible for the historical records of the University and much of Northwestern Ohio. The sixth floor contains the Historical Collections of the Great Lakes. This University gem documents shipping, maritime law, commerce and the history of Great Lakes ports.

"That in itself dictates that it is an international collection," Yon said.

The Music Library and Sound Recording Archives, located on the third floor of Jerome, is regarded as one of the nations top collections of music with more than 650,000

recordings. Also, music related research materials such as sheet music, books and periodicals are on hand for students as well as outsiders to use.

The most popular of the University's special collections is on the fourth floor. The Popular Culture Library houses more than 125,000 books focusing on popular fiction. The floor also contains fun artifacts and research data from the entertainment industry. Movie posters, collectible toys such as Star Trek action figures, popular magazines from different genres and many more valuable remnants from days past invoke memories.

The significant collections on these four floors are worth more

than \$25 million according to Dobb. With rare primary source materials making up all three collections, it is difficult to put a definitive price on history and culture. But one thing is for sure, "That stuff is worth a mint," Dobb said.

Whichever solution proves to be the best, it may be time to move the project up the list of priorities on campus. Most students may not realize the valuable resources on the shelves in these collections. By the time they discover them, it is possible, they could be gone.

"I think most people take it for granted," Charter said. "People just don't realize the significance and the value of these materials."

## Y2K

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call on New Year's Eve should anything have gone wrong."

While major preparations took place in some city departments, other areas of the city and county needed little help in preparing for Y2K.

"We had nothing go wrong," said Dick Coulter, airport manager for the Wood County Airport. "We didn't even do anything out of the ordinary to prepare."

Shoppers in Bowling Green had similar results with Y2K. According

to Dave Roberts, manager of Kroger's in Bowling Green, shoppers experienced no problems as a result of the new year.

"I didn't have any problems here," Roberts said. "Our company made several preparations so we wouldn't be inconvenienced and good planning came through."

Local branches of Bowling Green banks also reported no problems, according to bank officials from Keybank and MidAmerican National Bank. While it is possible that problems still could arise as a result of Y2K, they are not expected.

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"But we've already tested for that as well, so we're not anticipating any problems," Singer said.

The Office of Registration and Records reported only slight problems as a result of Y2K.

"We had only very, very, very minor, insignificant problems," said Rebecca McOmber, registrar for the University. "We were happy that it went as smoothly as it did."

Yet McOmber said preparations were in place if major problems had resulted in computer systems failing.

"It would not have been a pretty sight," McOmber said, "if the systems had failed. There is no way we could have maintained as high a level of operation as we normally do."

Minor problems that did occur included a date that was read wrong

for certain software programs and an incorrect screen appearing within certain programs. "Not even hardly a bump in the road," she said. "All the planning and effort that went into this worked out so well."

The case was similar for the Registrar's Office as well, said Cindy Koontz, administrative assistant for the office.

"We haven't found any problems as a result (of Y2K) yet," Koontz said, adding that the only disruption to the first day of classes were network problems unrelated to the new year.

The smooth transition to the new year is a result of a mass effort by many within and outside of the University community, Singer said.

"We had lots of help from lots of people," he said. "It's just been a real dedicated process all along."

## UNION

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with the smooth transition and attributed it to the careful planning done before the Union closed. "We planned as well as we could and now we just have to sit back and look for hot spots and react accordingly."

So far the reaction hasn't been bad.

Sarah Grealis said she will now be eating at Commons, yet she admits she'll miss her traditional stop at the Union for lunch. "This is an okay alternative, but I would always rather eat at the Union."

One student, however, is not pleased with the alternatives. Teresa Milbort, senior creative writing and general business major, said that not having the Union is inconvenient.

"It's annoying not to have a place to hang out and I especially liked going to the coffee shop," she said. "It's going to be nice to have a new Union, but for us upperclassmen, we don't really have anything to look forward to."



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## Retired couple plan to cruise the world

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NORTON, Ohio — A Navy veteran who put aside his love for the sea during a teaching career is about to embark on the journey of a lifetime: a cruise around the world with his wife in their own sailboat.

Keith and Lana Leggett are awaiting the completion of the custom-made boat by a Gordonville, Texas, company.

After a shakedown cruise on a Texas lake, the two will head off for a series of trips up and down the East Coast and then will head out on a cruise around the world.

"My dad thinks I'm crazy," Keith Leggett told the Akron Beacon Journal.

The couple sold their home in nearby Wadsworth, where Keith Leggett retired last month after 22 years as a teacher and administrator in Wadsworth public schools. They have been living in an apartment in Norton, southwest of Akron, awaiting the completion of their boat.

Leggett, 51, enlisted in the Navy during the Vietnam war right out of high school and has remained active in the Navy Reserve. He then went to Ohio State University, where he met Lana. They marked their 26th anniversary last year.

Their planned move this month from Ohio caps years of saving money, research and planning.

"Keith is a unique individual in that in that, in almost every aspect of his life, he's extremely conservative," his old boss, Wadsworth School Superintendent Charles R. Parsons, said Monday.



Keith and Lana Leggett get together at Keith's office in the administrative offices of the Wadsworth, Ohio Public Schools. The couple has sold their home and bought a sailboat on which they plan to live and sail the world.

Associated Press Photo

"Contrary to that, when it comes to the sea, he's very adventurous and really has planned most of his life to travel upon retirement, to live on a sailboat and travel around the world."

Mrs. Leggett, who was reared on a 200-acre grain and livestock farm in Marion, has taught business mar-

keting and will keep in touch with her former students via the Internet.

"She is someone who doesn't naturally enjoy the sea, but at least pretends to. She loves it because she loves him," Parsons said.

Every year for the past decade, the Leggetts have chartered sailboats in Ohio, Florida, Rhode

Island, California and elsewhere.

Leggett's military background should help him handle any problem at sea, according to Parsons. "Being a military officer, he's very organized and has a lot of experience dealing with stressful situations and was very capable of dealing with conflict," Parsons said.

## Rail line will support 100 new jobs in Appalachian county

ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS— A development effort linking a railroad and a coal mine has passed a state hurdle that will lead to 100 high-paying jobs in southeastern Ohio.

The state Controlling Board on Monday approved \$4.2 million to rebuild a 21-mile rail line between South Zanesville and New Lexington.

The spending request by the Ohio Rail Development Commission was part of a \$5.5 million loan and grant package for Ohio Southern Railroad, Inc.

The money is part of an \$8.95 million project to rebuild the line, which has been without service for eight years. The rebuilt line will enable Glouster Mining to develop a new \$25 million high sulfur coal mine in Athens County that will create 100 new jobs.

The jobs will pay about \$20 an hour in wages and benefits, said Thomas O'Leary, rail commission executive director.

The mine is to begin production by June and hit full capacity by September, O'Leary said.

The rebuilt line will also let Oxford Mining of New Lexington in Perry County transport coal to the Columbus & Southern Ohio/American Electric Power Co. plant in Conesville.

The Controlling Board, consisting of six lawmakers and a representative from the governor's office, has final say on state spending.

The region's state representative,

Nancy Hollister, R-Marietta, said in a release Monday she was "incredibly happy" the money had been released, especially because of past job losses in southeastern Ohio.

Before the rail line is completed in June, Ohio Southern workers must replace all 58,000 wooden ties on the 21-mile stretch and about 70 percent of the rail lines, Bill Strawn, president of Coshocton-based Ohio Southern Inc., said Monday.

Workers are also upgrading three bridges and rebuilding a fourth because of the added weight of the coal-carrying rail cars, Strawn said.

A new state law provides a \$3 per ton tax credit to Ohio electric utilities that burn Ohio coal. That gives companies an incentive to buy high sulfur coal, which needs extra treatment to meet some air quality standards, said Mike Carey, president of the Ohio Coal Association.

Ohio coal production fell from its all-time high of 50 million tons in 1972 to about 25 million tons last year, Carey said. There are about 3,400 coal miners in Ohio, about two-thirds fewer than in the 1970s, he said.

Carey said the mine would create other jobs in the area, including engineering and surveying positions, as well as having an economic ripple effect as miners and their families spent more money.

The state bought the rail line in 1972 with federal money that allowed states to buy lines in danger of being lost because of disuse, O'Leary said.

## Government queries court sentence on U.S. billionaire who imported drugs

ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — The government on Tuesday ordered a review of courts' drug rulings after an American millionaire was released without conviction after being caught trying to enter New Zealand with more than 3 1/2 ounces of cannabis.

The case has triggered a furor in New

Zealand and claims of favoritism, after the judge allowed the businessman to walk free from charges which carry a maximum sentence of 14 years jail, then suppressed his name from publication in local news outlets.

The Cleveland Plain Dealer has identified the man as Peter B. Lewis, 66, chairman and chief executive of Progressive Corp., based in Mayfield Village, Ohio.

He was arrested on Jan. 5 after New

Zealand authorities found 2 ounces of hashish and 1 1/2 ounces of marijuana in his luggage at Auckland Airport and elsewhere.

Judge David Harvey in the Otahuhu District Court released the suspect without conviction after argument from his lawyers, details of which have also been suppressed.

Response to the ruling has been strong. New Zealand's biggest newspaper, The New Zealand Herald, has appealed the suppres-

sion order, and callers to talk radio across the country have accused the judge of favoritism.

Justice Minister Phil Goff on Tuesday ordered a report into the consistency of court rulings in drug cases.

"There is a public perception that there has been inconsistency and that inconsistency might be affected by the status of the

individual facing the charge," Goff said.

"In terms of maintaining public confidence in the New Zealand judicial system, I think it's important that the ministry examine that aspect," he said.

The suspect, who came to New Zealand for the America's Cup yachting regatta, must leave the country as part of his release.

## Display Personals



Happy 21st Birthdays!

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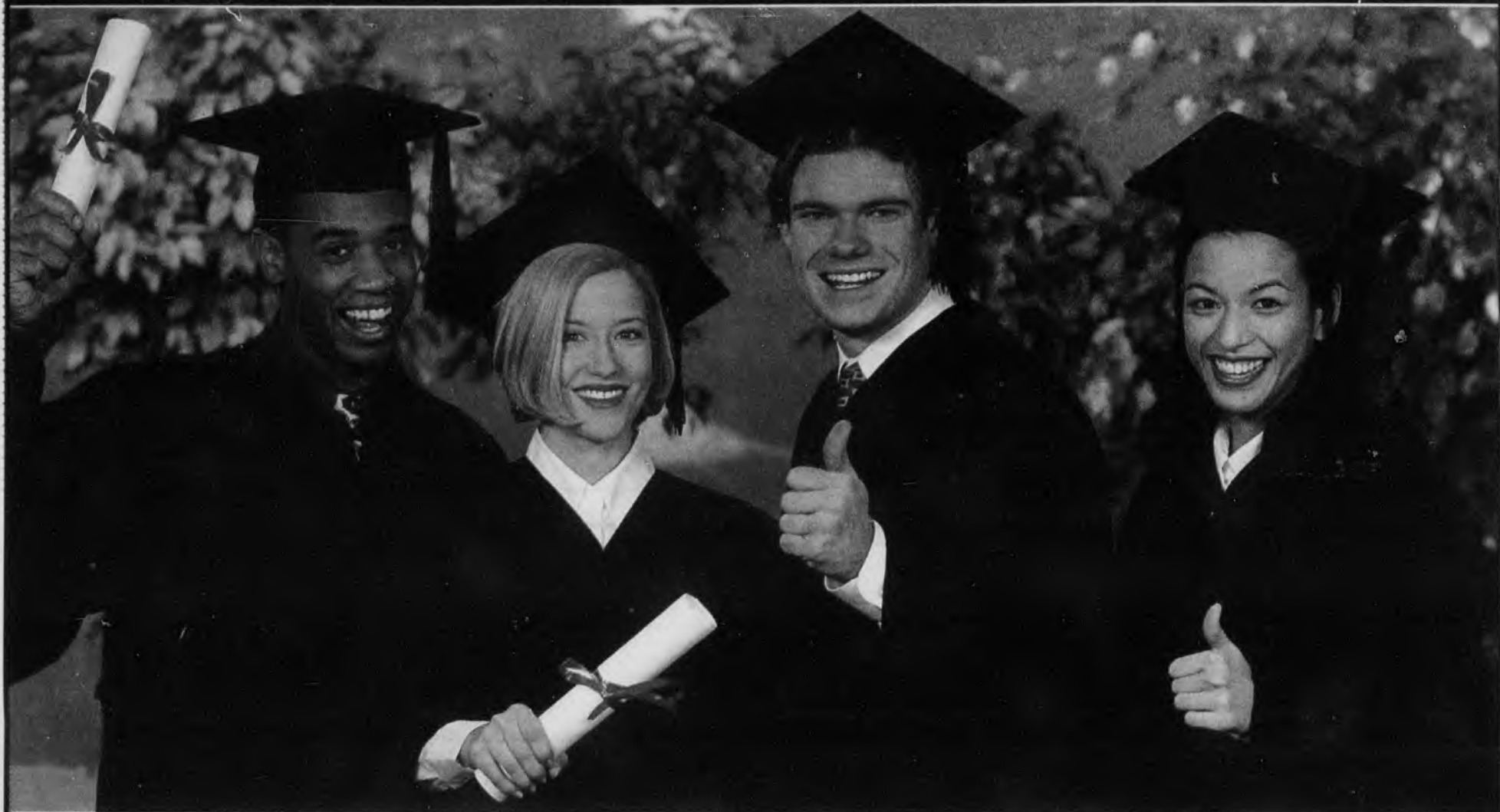
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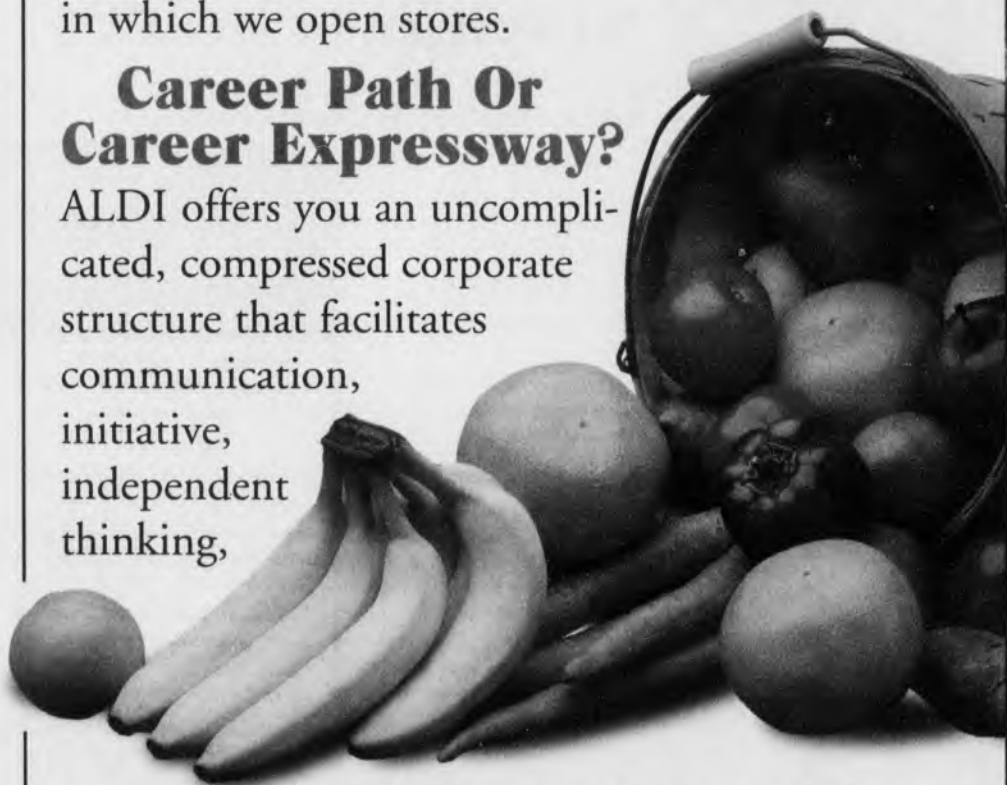
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## Flashing Our Briefs

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### BG needs lovers

The University Theatre Department will hold open auditions Jan. 25-25 for two upcoming productions.

Tryouts for the campus production of William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet will be held at 7 p.m. both days in 405 University Hall.

Auditions for "Ah Sin" by Bret Harte/Mark Twain will be held at 7 p.m. both dates in 400 University Hall.

### Musicians park their instruments

The University College of Musical Arts will begin its 11th "Music from Bowling Green at the Manor House" series in January.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the Manor House at Toledo's Wildwood MetroPark.

The first event, Jan. 18, will feature pianist Russell Schmidt and other University jazz faculty members in an evening of piano jazz.

### Missing dads are big deal

For nonresident fathers who fall short or fail in supporting their children either financially or emotionally, the issue is far more complex than the label Deadbeat Dad implies.

After two years of a three-year study into the role of nonresident fathers and their involvement with their children, that's the conclusion of Dr. Wendy Manning, an assistant professor of sociology at the University.

Manning was recently given a \$75,156 grant from the National Institutes of Health to fund the third year of the three-year, \$220,000 research project.

### U. gains administrator

A well-known figure in Wood County government is joining the staff of the Center for Policy Analysis & Public Service at the University.

Richard Edwards, who is retiring this month from his post as Wood County administrator, will become a senior associate at the University center.

# Chily's reopens after renovations

GRETA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

Despite repeated delays, the new Chily's Express, a University convenience store, finally opened its doors to students Sunday.

The new Chily's features the Neighborhood Deli, which will serve sandwiches and soup when it opens Jan. 18. There will also be an ice cream machine with vanilla ice cream and assorted flavors of Dannon frozen yogurt.

Chily's was originally scheduled to open at the end of August. The opening date was then pushed to early November. However, the construction was not completed until December and the staff still had to organize the store, order groceries and stock food.

The Neighborhood Deli will be "almost like any subway," said Jon Grossman, the full time manager of Chily's. It will have pre-made subs stocked in a display refrigerator for customers on the go as well as subs made for each individual customer. Each day, two different types of Campbell's soup will be offered. The deli will be open during lunch, dinner and the evening.

Oscar Mayer provides the meat that will be served at the deli, as part of a contract, Grossman said.

The deli also has a new beverage center featuring an assortment of gourmet coffee and a variety of international coffees including hazelnut and french roast.

"There are a lot of kids that are buying a lot of stuff," Grossman said.

Grossman said he consistently saw 10 to 12 people in line Monday night. There were 26 students in line at one point Tuesday night.

Students are enthusiastic about the new Chily's.

"It seems like the students are happy that we are back at full capacity," Grossman said.

"We opened Sunday and people were pleasantly surprised to see it," said Dave Maley, the general manager of Commons who also oversees Chily's. "They were very surprised at the size of it and the kind of items



BEN FRENCH/ The BG News

(Front) Meghan Lyows, freshman, and Stephanie Miller, senior, stack the shelves at the newly constructed Chily's.

available now as compared to before."

Chily's has many new items. Staff members had estimates ranging from 30 new items to hundreds of new items. There is a wide variety of new candy, including Jolly Rancher Lollipops.

"They now have Juicy Juice and

High C drink boxes. What more could you ask for?" said Karen Duvall, sophomore integrated language arts major.

Yet one student wanted more. "I think it's a shame they had to close it for a semester just to rearrange the aisles," said Jim Beres, junior computer science major.

Chily's is currently open 8 a.m. Monday through Friday and noon to midnight Saturday and Sunday. According to Maley, the staff of Chily's may experiment with opening at 7 a.m. during the week to if there is business prior to 8 a.m.

The construction and design of Chily's was planned by a company

out of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Maley said. The University is upgrading the dining services, one location at a time. They started with Founders, then Kreisler and now Chily's. The Union is next to be renovated and the McDonald cafeteria will be renovated within the next few years.

## Campus Wire

### Dartmouth greek life slated for change

(U-WIRE) HANOVER, N.H. - The long awaited steering committee report, released Monday morning, recommends drastic changes to Dartmouth College's greek system to bring it in line with the Board of Trustees' vision for student life.

While a single-sex greek system would remain intact - at least for now - the steering committee's recommendations make good on College President James Wright's promise to end the greek system "as we know it."

### Bush plans upcoming battle

(U-WIRE) EAST LANSING, Mich. - Presidential hopeful and Texas Gov. George W. Bush's decision to square off with Republican candidates Monday night in Grand Rapids, Mich., doesn't surprise campaign followers, especially with the threat of Arizona Sen. John McCain.

Bush will join Gary Bauer, Steve Forbes, Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch, Alan Keyes and McCain at 7 Monday night in the Fine Arts Center at Calvin College.

After initially declining the invitation, Bush announced last week that he will join fellow candidates for the presidential primary debate.

### Nebraska breathes new life into abortion issue

(U-WIRE) LINCOLN, Neb. - A University of Nebraska regent is prepared to take on anti-abortion leaders in a debate over the use of aborted fetal tissue for research at the university's medical center.

Anti-abortion leaders received an early Christmas present in the form of a letter from regent Drew Miller last month, challenging them to prove that ending research at the University of Nebraska Medical Center is not in the best interest of Nebraskans.

In his Dec. 23 letter, Miller challenged Nebraska Right to Life leader Julie Schmit-Albin, Metro Right to Life leader Bob Blank and Rescue the Heartland leader Larry Donlan to a debate in front of "a panel of leading Nebraska citizens."

Miller said if the citizens who watch the debate vote to stop it, Miller would withdraw from running for re-election to the board. His term expires in January 2001.

# Keeping New Year's Resolutions

## Nutrition choices up to students

AMYJO L. BROWN  
ASSISTANT MANAGING EDITOR

Have you made a New Year's vow to eat healthier this year? Develop good eating habits for three weeks, and you will probably succeed.

Three weeks of consciously eating more nutritional foods can form a healthy habit. Once eating right becomes habitual, the hardest part of keeping your resolution is over.

"Even if you can make one adjustment in your eating habits, you will be better," said Shirley Davis, registered dietitian for University dining services.

Although living away from home can add to a tendency to snack more and skip meals, there are ways students can eat nutritionally.

"No matter how you eat, get what you can from the food groups," said Judy Miller, a nurse at the Student Health Center.

Eat a large variety of natural grains, such as whole grain bread and cereals. Fruits, whether canned or fresh, and vegetables are also very important to good health. These are foods that can easily be kept in a residence room or carried with a student for snacking during the day.

"I can't stress fruits and vegetables enough," Miller said.

Another good way to get vitamins and proteins when the cafeterias aren't open is to microwave a frozen entree. They can be supplemented with slices of bread and fresh fruit.

"Frozen entrees have definitely improved," Davis said. "I live by myself and I'll often stop and buy

them for my dinner."

For a snack while studying, try popcorn. It's healthier than chips and cookies and also more filling.

"It's important that we fill our hunger," Davis said. "What will work differs for each individual. The challenge is for each person to find what satisfies them and stick with it. For me, it's popcorn and an apple."

Candy, on the other hand, is full of empty calories. While it may fill you up, it'll leave you still craving more food. Instead, try something more bulky and fresh. It'll probably be more satisfying.

Peanuts and peanut butter are other good snack foods to have handy, along with yogurt and milk, all which can be easily stored in a cupboard or in a residence room.

When looking for healthy foods, find things that taste good and stick with them. Often times the better quality fruits and snacks are the best way to go to keep you motivated.

"If things taste better, you're more likely to keep eating better," Miller said.

Both Davis and Miller agree that "or those students determined to eat healthier all around, the Food Pyramid located on the back of most cereal boxes and hanging in each of the dining halls is a good place to go for a guide.

It may be difficult to always eat what you should, but if you can do it for awhile, you'll find that you feel much better. You'll also be able to brag that you finally kept a New Year's resolution.

## Student Rec Center offers programs for fitness resolutions

JEFF HINDENACH  
MANAGING EDITOR

Students returning with New Year's resolutions to get in shape will have many options with the special programs the Student Recreation Center is offering this semester.

"We offer many special events above and beyond our regular programs for students with resolutions," said Brady Gaskins, assistant director of recreational sports/programs and promotion.

One class that the facility offers is Women on Weights. According to Gaskins, this class is to help female students feel more comfortable with the weights at the SRC.

"This class shows women the basics of weight training, he said. "We are trying to get women involved in our new weight room. Many may feel intimidated by the weights, so this is a way to make them feel comfortable."

For those students who are looking to relieve some stress, Gaskins advises either the yoga or karate class that the SRC is offering this semester. According to him, the Yoga class focuses more on the "holistic wellness of the body, not just the fitness." The karate class, Seishin Ryu, will focus on teaching the students karate, but will also work as a stress reliever for those students going through a tough and stressful semester.

The SRC also offers many out-

door activities for the spring semester. In January and February, downhill and cross-country ski trips are planned for Michigan and Ohio. Later in the semester, a backpacking adventure series will be offered. This class will focus on preparing students for survival on a backpacking trip, including a class on cooking and food planning and a kayaking workshop in the SRC's Cooper Pool.

Gaskins hopes that these programs will give students more incentive to visit the SRC, because it gets them involved outside the classroom.

"I'd like to see people get involved in these programs because

• See SRC, page 14.

## Programs at the SRC

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**#2 Backcountry Cooking and Food Planning**  
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**Introduction to Kayaking Workshops**  
 Feb. 28, Monday  
**#3 Backpacking Equipment, Maintenance, and Repair**  
 Feb. 29, Tuesday  
**#4 The Navigational Compass: A Key to Wilderness Travel**  
 March 21, Tuesday

**Outdoor Program Trip and Workshop**  
**Cross Country Skiing in Michigan**  
 Jan. 22, Saturday  
**Mt. Brighton Ski Trip**  
 Feb. 5, Saturday  
**Alpine Valley Moonlight Ski Trip**  
 Feb. 19, Saturday  
**Spring Break Florida National Scenic Backpacking Trip**  
 March 3, Friday  
**Vertical Adventures Climbing Trip**  
 April 2, Saturday  
**Whitewater Rafting Overnight Trip**  
 April 8, Saturday

### Karate Class

Jan. 24- Apr. 26 on Sundays, Mondays, and Wednesdays

### Women on Weights

Jan. 19, Jan. 26, Feb. 2

### Hatha Yoga

Jan. 13- March 2 on Thursdays



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## Students find housing after Prout closing

CRAIG GIFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

With the destruction of the old Student Union came the destruction of Prout, one of the University's residence halls, leaving many students needing a new place to live this semester.

According to Jim Zentmeyer, director of Residence Life, "We were able to honor every one of the students housing requests."

Of the 250 students who lived in

Prout last semester, according to Zentmeyer, 100 needed to find a place to live for this semester.

A number of students were placed into Prout last semester with the idea in mind that it would not be in existence this semester.

Among the students who occupied the residence hall last semester, 30 were French students, while many others were seniors or students only attending the University for one semester.

As far as the students who only stayed at the University for one

semester, Zentmeyer said, "It's unfortunate, but at least they were able to get their start at Bowling Green."

In order to accommodate the students, some special arrangements were made.

"Ninety percent of the Prout residents were new transfer students. We offered a release to these students, allowing them to only pay housing fees for one semester, as long as they had completed 55 hours of credit," Zentmeyer said.

Even with the loss of one of its

residence halls, the University will not face overcrowding in its other ones.

There was plenty of space, according to Zentmeyer, to place the students who needed moved into new residence halls.

"Traditionally, we have a 300-400 bed drop between the fall and spring semesters," Zentmeyer said, "the extra students were placed into these vacancies."

Residents who weren't in Prout last year were able to be accommodated as well for this semester.

Students who wanted to be moved during the course of last semester were able to do so, up to the November room-change deadline, according to Zentmeyer.

Future semesters will not be affected by the loss of the Prout Residence Hall.

According to Zentmeyer, Conklin North will be reopened in August and will be fully air conditioned.

"This is an unfortunate situation, but we have made the best of it that we could," Zentmeyer said.

## Weather warms for winter

KIMBERLY DUPPS  
STAFF WRITER

Atypical warm weather welcomed students back to campus for the first day of classes yesterday. According to Art Samel, assistant professor of Geography, temperatures are ten degrees higher than usual.

"Our highs are in the 30s and lows in the 20s, rather than highs in the 20s and temperatures in the teens typical of Bowling Green," Samel said.

The cause of the abnormal weather is found within the jet stream.

"The basic controlling feature of the weather is the jet stream. The jet stream is on the Canadian border. We're on the south side of the storms," said Glen Frey, associate professor of Geography.

The jet stream is a part of La Niña, according to Samel.

"La Niña does not allow air from the arctic to enter the continental US. Most of our air is coming from the Pacific, which is warmer air. There is a west to east circulation rather than north to south," Samel said.

However, Frey feels the weather is a part of random fluctuation.

"This year we don't have an El Niño and can't blame weather patterns on a particular stream. It's random fluctuation and it seems to be changing now. We could get colder but the weather could fluctuate and become warmer," Frey said.

Samel said the warm weather should remain for the next week or so, and the typical Bowling Green weather will return thereafter.

## Regulation of door decorations limits students

AMYJO L. BROWN  
ASSISTANT MANAGING EDITOR

For those students moving back into the residence halls this semester, these first few days of school mean a lot of unpacking and reorganizing. (After all, you have to find room for that new stereo you got for Christmas.)

It also means having the pleasure of taking down those month old Christmas decorations and redecorating with Ricky Martin or Britney Spears.

However, before you get too ambitious, there are some fire safety guidelines to keep in mind when decorating.

It's important to use fire retardant materials. For example, decorations such as crape paper and toilet paper are easily ignited and should not be used on the residence doors.

"Students pull pranks," said Jim Zentmeyer, associate director of Residence Life and Housing Operations. "They'll light decorations on the outside of doors. If materials on the door are on fire, the exit is blocked."

Also, no more than half the outside door can be covered with decorations.

Inside the room, candles and extension cords are prohibited. Any light decorations must be miniature.

"We're not trying to be the bad guys," said John Curliis, a fire safety officer with the Environmental and Safety Department. "We encourage people to decorate. It's just in the past, some decorations have gotten out of hand."

Although most of the concern for decorations occurs during the holidays, resident advisors do keep an eye out for anything that might be dangerous.

"Fire hazards are an issue," said Katie Risaliti, resident advisor in McDonald East, "but it's nothing we go hunting for."

The Office of Residence Life enforces the guidelines if need be; however, residents usually comply when a resident advisor asks them to remove hazardous decorations.

"I've not had a problem. If things need to be taken down, the residents have been responsive," Risaliti said.

## Professor sues over failing case

(U-WIRE) ANN ARBOR, Mich. - Dental School associate Prof. L. Keith Yohn filed a lawsuit against the University of Michigan last month after it refused to fail two sophomore dental students.

Acting as his own attorney, Yohn filed claim in the U.S. District Court in Detroit and charged the University with the "deprivation of freedom of speech" and "property" right to protect the "health care interest" of the public and their children.

Dental School Dean William Kotowicz, associate Dean Robert Fiegal and course directors Merle Jaarda and Kenneth Stoffers were also named as defendants in the lawsuit.

The students in question failed a pre-clinic class during the 1999 winter term and failed a remedial class the following summer. Yohn said it is Dental School policy that students who fail these classes are dismissed from the program.

Kotowicz proposed in September that the two students be allowed to repeat the course for a third time. The school's executive committee upheld this decision and created a course for the students to complete.

Yohn, who has worked at the University for more than 36 years, said the course consisted of two tests, the first of which took place in October. He and three other professors were chosen to grade what Yohn referred to as "independent practical projects."

"We knew the situation of the students," Yohn said. "So we tried not to be biased. After two-and-a-half hours we came to a unanimous decision that they had failed the project. The scores were so low there was no way they could pass the course."

Yohn said that upon reporting this message to Fiegal, he and the three other professors received a belligerent e-mail from the associate dean informing them that the grades would be disregarded.

In a new examination administered by co-defendants Jaarda and Stoffers - and, according to Yohn, not approved by the executive committee - the two students passed with C and C-plus grades. "The administration did not honor our grades," Yohn said.

Yohn said he asked Kotowicz why the two students were receiving so many chances, adding that "he won't tell me why they're special."

One of the students, said Yohn, is a daughter of a part-time faculty member at the University. "It smacks of nepotism," said Yohn. "But we'll have to let the court decide that."

University spokesperson Julie Peterson would not comment on the specifics of the case but said, "We consider this lawsuit to be utterly without merit and we expect to win this case."

Kotowicz said in a written statement, "The Michigan School of Dentistry is considered one of the

top five in the nation. Our academic programs are rigorous and challenging and 95 percent of our students pass all of their board exams within six months of graduation."

In his suit, Yohn is asking that the University recognize and report the original grades and provide a monetary compensation for emotional distress as a result of the e-mail.

The other three faculty members who joined Yohn in failing the students have not joined him in the lawsuit. Yohn said he attributes this to the fact that the other professors are new to the school and could be afraid of losing their jobs.

"Fear is the ally of administration," Yohn said. The University "counts on professors being afraid to lose their jobs. How many professors are going to sue the University?"

Yohn has sued the University before. In 1989, he filed suit concerning tenure issues. The University settled the case in July 1998 and paid Yohn an undisclosed amount.

This is not the first large lawsuit brought against the Dental School. In 1995, three black Dental School Instrument Technicians filed a suit claiming supervisor Linda Vachon fired them on grounds of discrimination. The 15th District Court ruled in favor of the plaintiffs in 1997.

## SRC

Continued from page one.

it means meeting new people and getting involved outside of your classes," he said. "Exercise makes you feel better about yourself and that starts with getting in shape and meeting new people."

Ron Hover, the facility manager at the SRC, believes that the closing of the Union will also attract more people to the center because of its open-door policy.

"This is a facility where you can drop in at anytime," he said. "It's a nice, clean facility that anyone can use with a variety of things to do.

With the Union closing, hopefully more students will spend time here."

One problem that Gaskins fears is that students won't stop by the SRC because they aren't familiar with the facilities. But he stresses that the SRC staff is more than willing to take the time to explain things and make the students more comfortable with the facility.

"We encourage people to stop by so we can either give them a tour or talk about what we offer," Gaskins said. "We really encourage people to get involved in our programs because we have a lot of different activities to offer to a lot of different people."

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## Campaign followers desire straight talk

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WASHINGTON — Serious campaign-watchers — the ones who pick over every nuance and notice every goof — say this season's wealth of debates is probably helping the nation learn what's at stake in the presidential election.

They just wish the candidates would be more careful with their rhetoric and stop speaking the shorthand that only the political class understands.

A "no-tax pledge" advocated by several Republicans, for example, is understood in Washington to mean either no new taxes or no higher tax burden overall. But to everyone else it might sound like taxes would go away.

Only the politically attuned might realize that when Democrat Al Gore speaks in debates, ads and speeches of a nation with universal health care, his own program does not achieve that goal.

Beyond such specifics, many of the campaigns' claims have been made without the context that presidents have limited powers. Bedrock promises such as Republican George W. Bush's tax cuts and Democrat Bill Bradley's health plan depend on Congress as well as on economic forces out of their control.

"They seem to presume that we're in an economic condition that will last forever," says Wayne Fields, a professor at Washington University in St. Louis who studies

rhetoric.

Kathleen Hall Jamieson, dean of the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania, has been closely following the primary debates for The Associated Press, helping to check them for misrepresentation, exaggeration and mistakes.

An overarching problem she sees is that the candidates are promising things they cannot alone deliver and taking credit for things they did not alone achieve.

The flat tax promised by Republican Steve Forbes cannot be imposed at the will of a president. In taking credit for reduced juvenile crime in Texas, Gov. Bush ignores that such crime is down nationally.

"There are limits to the office (of president) and we have to acknowledge that," Jamieson said. "Part of what I think seeds cynicism in politics is that someone 'promised me he would do this.' He meant to promise he'd try very hard."

"All of these claims should be heard that way, though they're not voiced that way."

In Monday night's debate in Michigan, Bush took credit for a \$1 billion tax cut the Texas Legislature approved after rejecting his plan to cut taxes overall by three times as much.

"I laid out a plan that cut \$1 billion in property taxes," he asserted. Bush was defending himself against accusations that he broke a pledge not to raise taxes by advancing the

plan — which would have raised some sales and business taxes in return for a larger total cut.

It doesn't take a political junkie to know that Republican Gary Bauer sent the hyperbole meter into the red zone when he promised last week to eliminate the fear of rape by putting rapists in jail longer. "America's women wouldn't have to worry about it," he said flatly.

But when GOP Sen. Orrin Hatch declared: "I've worked with every federal judge in the last 23 years," few could know he was speaking about his role in approving judicial appointments on the Judiciary Committee — not as some sort of super judge who gets around the country a lot.

"They forget that the person who is watching this debate and is otherwise involved in a life outside politics doesn't have the same set of assumptions," Jamieson said.

Still, she and others who watch political communications say the debates and even the 30-second advertising spots are providing critical information.

"Spots are really important and even though they're short, voters learn from them," said Bill Benoit, a communication professor at the University of Missouri.

They learn through the ads, debates and stump speeches of Bush's stature as the only Republican with executive experience in government, and of rival John McCain's brave, chilling past as a Vietnam prisoner of war.



Associated Press Photo

Republican candidate George W. Bush campaigns in Columbia, S.C., Friday, Jan. 7, 2000, before the evening debate.

"Anything that makes them stand up and talk is useful," Fields says.

But only marginally useful, in his mind, at a stage when he says Gore

and Bradley are overreaching to draw distinctions between each other and the Republican debates are crowded with candidates who won't be standing much longer.

Amid all the chatter, some misrepresentations persist, in some cases arising more from what is said than from what is.



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Excerpts from Monday's debate in Grand Rapids, Mich., among Republican presidential candidates Gary Bauer, Texas Gov. George W. Bush, Steve Forbes, Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, Alan Keyes and Sen. John McCain of Arizona, as transcribed by the Federal Document Clearing House.

The candidates were questioned on their tax plans.

**BUSH:** In the 1999 legislative session I proposed and was able to enact and sign the largest tax cut in our state's history, replacing the \$1 billion record with nearly \$2 billion of tax cuts.

I am a tax-cutting person, I know how to get it done. I have laid out a plan that is going to cut the rates on everybody in America ... I believe it's important to cut the top rates. I think it's important to drop the 39.6 to 33 percent. I also know it's important to make sure people who are on the outskirts of poverty get a tax cut as well.

I have a plan that takes \$2 trillion over the next 10 years and dedicates it to Social Security. My plan has been called risky by voices out of Washington. In my judgment, what's risky is to leave a lot of unspent money in Washington, because guess what's going to happen? It's going to be spent on bigger federal governments.

**MCCAIN:** I'm very much in favor of tax cuts for middle-income and lower-income Americans.

I'm deeply concerned about a kind of class warfare that's going on right now. It's unfortunate. There's a growing gap between the haves and the have-nots in America. And that gap is

growing, and it's unfortunately divided up along ethnic lines. I feel very strongly that we ought to have middle-income and lower-income taxes. Mine are basically comparable to Governor Bush's — in some cases, far better. But I'm not sure we need to give two-thirds of that tax cut — of that money — to the wealthiest 10 percent of America.

**HATCH:** There isn't one of us up here who isn't going to reduce taxes. There are some of us — in fact, I think you can look at me for an example — who really played a major role in reducing marginal tax rates from 70 percent down to 28 percent by 1986. I'm not just talking about, I helped do it. I was one of those who carried that message to President Reagan, and he carried that message against all of Washington.

The candidates talked about the First Amendment as it relates to the internet.

**BAUER:** We ought to take pornography off the stage of this

country, whether it's children or adults. It exploits women. It exploits children. And I would say to my party, it better find its voice on things like this, and in opposition to same-sex marriage, and in defense of the sanctity of life, or it won't matter how much we want to cut taxes because the country cannot survive another 10 years of the values meltdown it's in right now.

**KEYES:** Actually I don't think it's a free speech issue in this case. It's an issue of public decency. And anywhere you let our children into ought to be subject to standards of public decency that make it clear that they are not going to be polluted with garbage. I've got to tell you something. My kids don't have the right to free speech and they don't need to have it until they grow older.

**MCCAIN:** We are wiring every school and library in America to the Internet at taxpayers' expense ... We should have every school and library in America acquire filtering software and use that software to filter out a lot of this garbage that is having such a terrible effect on our young children, and that should be done according to community standards. The same way

a library board filters out offensive printed material, they should filter out this offensive material.

**Q:** Would you ever negotiate with hijackers? How would you have handled the incident with Indian Airlines?

**MCCAIN:** I would not. I would have had my people there tracking the flight when it was on the various legs and prevented it from taking off by shooting out the tires once it was on the ground. It would not have taken off again and it would not have reached Afghanistan.

The second thing that's important about this issue, even though perhaps you don't imply it, is that this is growing closer and closer to a flashpoint between two countries that have developed nuclear weapons and that are growing closer and closer to a brinkmanship situation which then is in our vital national security interest. And it is in our interest to make — to do everything in our power to see that there's some settlement of the Kashmir problem, because that's the gene-

sis of most of these difficulties that exist between those two countries.

Candidates were asked about Braves Pitcher John Rocker's comments about minority groups.

**BUSH:** Listen, I think it's a free — this is a case of a player (who) needs help. And I appreciate the fact that the Atlanta Braves are getting him counseling. But this is a world of — in athletics, this is a world of some young men who make a lot of money who don't — who aren't responsible for their behavior.

What I'd like to do, as the president of the United States, is usher in the responsibility era, so that each American, whether you be a baseball player or a — anything, wear the uniform of the United States, are responsible for the actions you take in life; that each of us must understand with certainty that we are responsible for the decisions we make. And it starts, by the way, with having a president who behaves responsibly in the Oval Office.

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# CITY

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## Why should you care?



**BOB RECKER**  
CITY  
editor

The City. The Campus. Usually when most students think of these two ideas, they picture them just as they appear: two separate statements, two separate entities, two separate worlds. Students keep to themselves, citizens keep to themselves.

For many students, the most interaction between them and the city is the occasional run-in with Bowling Green's finest.

This is natural. Students not native to the area expect to spend their four to eight years here much like the old Marine slogan:

Go in. Kick ass. Get out.

It is my aim this semester as editor of the city section of the BG News is to make an addition to that statement: Look around.

The city has much to offer the average student in addition to its dozens of bars and pizza deliveries. There are interesting places to visit like the Wood County Historical Museum; major-related programs to enroll in like the Court Appointed Special Advocates or volunteering at Wood Lane School, and unique entertainment to witness like the annual Ohio-Ontario games and the Black Swamp Players theater group.

For those who move off-campus, the interaction with the city becomes immediately obvious. They have to deal with real estate agents, landlords, utility companies and other bill collectors. The city

taxes they pay out of their checks every Friday goes toward making sure the snow is plowed off streets and the garbage is plucked from their front lawns.

The east-siders rejoiced when a new Meijer was opened near I-75, saving them that cross-town drive to the other retailers. But, they moan and wail when they hit the Sunoco station first thing in the morning and realize the price of gas shot up 13 cents overnight.

These happenings are all part of the ebb and flow of the city growth process. Before a major retail center can be built, several government committees must look over the plans to make appropriate zoning and design changes. These committees are molded in the ideals of the voters at each election. Furthermore, politicians' decisions can be drastically affected if even a few dozen people show up at the meeting to voice their concerns. This democracy in action reminds us that, despite popular cynicism, we still control most of what happens in the community around us.

This whole subject, dubbed "student apathy," is something I have discussed in several of my journalism classes, and quite frankly, I too get tired of hearing about it. In fact, I'm sort of a born-again city reporter who just recently decided that covering two-hour meetings about commercial growth or the use of tax breaks to draw big businesses is something I want to do for the rest of my life.

I know reading this article won't make students tear through the latest BG News for a city council update or send students flocking to the court building to register to vote. Most students probably won't care what happens outside of the safety of their campus.

But then again, that may change if the city, say, decided to raise the bar admission age to 21.

Now there's something to think about.

**Friday:**  
Timothy Carey, Bowling Green, was cited for driving under a suspended license on W. Poe Road.

The branch manager at National City Bank reported that two \$20 bills were found to be counterfeit. They had just been deposited by a man earlier that day.

Mickey Gore, Bowling Green, reported his bike stolen by James Lofton on Friday. Lofton claimed he was repairing the bike and agreed to return it.

Jamie Tellez of N. Baltimore reported the theft of items from his truck while it was parked at Wal-Mart Friday afternoon. He reported that six rented videos and his cell phone had been stolen. Police estimate the total value of stolen property to be around \$75.

Police suspected a group of males to be smoking marijuana while their car was on Poe Road. After stopping the group, police realized it was only a cigarette being passed around the car.

Linda Cole, Bowling Green, reported being sexually harassed by an employee of the China at Woodland Mall. She reported that there has been two incidents of harassment in the last week.

A truck struck a house on Sandridge Friday night. Bradley Smoyer, Bowling Green was cited for a DUI, no reasonable control and not wearing a seat belt.

Chad Grover, Bowling Green, was cited for speeding on the corner of N. Main and E. Merry.

John Kleinoeder, Bowling Green, was cited for not wearing a seat belt and was warned for speeding on the 1000 block of Napoleon.

Michael Metternick was cited for not wearing a seat belt on the corner of N. Main and E. Merry.

An officer was requested at Bowling Green High School after a man reported that his vehicle had

been vandalized. The front driver window of the vehicle had been broken and damages were estimated at \$600.

Hoong Siew Yeo called police on Friday to report a break-in. Police arrived to find clothing lying on the bed which had been hanging in the closet. It was later realized that maintenance had entered the apartment.

After receiving a phone call from a Barney's North employee, police picked up Gary Romero for a DUI.

Frankie Rayford, 19, Toledo, and Curtis Anderson, 38, Toledo, were both arrested Friday for receiving stolen property. They were both taken to the Wood County Justice Center.

Police warned two men at Taco Bell to stay away from each other after a fight was reported between them.

Amanda Hill, Bowling Green, reported that four males were throwing footballs at passing motorists on the corner of Fourth Street and Elm Street.

### Saturday:

Cory Wampler, 19, Maumee, was arrested on warrant from Maumee. He was pulled over on the corner of Manville and Scott Hamilton for having one headlight when police realized he was on warrant for failure to appear for drug paraphernalia charges.

Joseph Balestreri, California, was cited for not wearing a seat belt on N. Main.

Police received a call that a woman had slit her wrists on Saturday on the 100 block of Lehman.

A juvenile was cited for underage consumption after police found him throwing up. He refused to go to Wood County Hospital and was left in the care of his sister.

Howard Luxhoj, Columbus,

was cited for running a red light on E. Wooster Street. He was also warned for an illegal U-turn and no seat belt.

A suspicious person was reported at Bowling Green Lincoln Mercury. He claimed that he was just showing some friends around.

Jennifer Napier, Westlake, was cited for expired registration on the corner of Dale and N. Main.

Joseph Trevino was found passed out behind Checkers Saturday night. Police took his keys and he was informed to walk home immediately.

Police received a disturbing the peace complaint Saturday night at an apartment on N. Ridge. When they arrived, the apartment was locked and no one was home.

Christopher Waaland, Bowling Green, was cited for driving under a suspended license on the corner of S. Main and Lehman.

An officer was flagged down by a bouncer on N. Main St. The bouncer told the officer a fight was about to start. When the officer arrived all parties involved left the area.

Sue Barton, Bowling Green, was cited for failing to stop at a flashing red light on the corner of Napoleon and S. Main.

Craig Ebricht of N. Baltimore was cited for fighting at Kamikazes Saturday night.

Jeremiah Graham was cited for criminal trespassing and criminal damages after he reportedly entered the wrong house. After climbing in bed with the resident he realized his mistake and exited through the window.

Rob Keys, Bowling Green, reported that his Huffy bike had been stolen from E. Poe Road.

Josh Ray, 23, was cited for driving under a suspended license and open container on Van Camp Road.

A woman reported that while attending a high school dance \$11

cash, gloves, and a key ring were stolen from her coat pocket.

Todd Thompson, Forest, was cited for not wearing a seat belt on the corner of N. Main and Vancamp.

Jennifer Feldman, Cincinnati, reported that she lost her wallet at Easy Street. Her wallet contained her check book, an ATM card and \$80 in cash.

Julie Plavks, a Barney's South Employee, reported that a male came in and paid for cigarettes and left without paying for \$10 in gas. A hit-skip was reported on E. Merry.

A request for extra patrol was reported at two houses in Bowling Green Saturday. The request came after an employee was fired and retaliation was expected.

McDonalds reported that a \$50 counterfeit bill was trying to be passed in their drive-thru. After the subjects realized they had been caught, they left without picking up their food.

An ATM money card belonging to Galen R. Haas was found on the 300 block of S. Main Street.

Three Bowling Green residences reported that someone had broke into their house on E. Reed and made several long distance phone calls.

Jeff Oyler, McComb, was cited for expired registration on the corner of Manville and E. Wooster.

Thomas Warren, 19, Findlay, was cited for underage consumption on N. Main Street Sunday night.

Rufus Brown, Bowling Green, was cited for driving under a suspended license on E. Wooster.

Matthew Heyduk, Westlake, was cited for disorderly conduct after police found him tipping over a large trash receptacle on E. Wooster.

Pedro Martinez, Findlay, was cited for disorderly conduct/urinating in public on E. Wooster.





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## Get to know your new mayor, John Quinn

### But seriously...

BOB RECKER  
CITY EDITOR

Here is a brief question and answer session with the man who will lead the city of Bowling Green into the new century.

### Just the facts

**Name:** John Blair Quinn  
**Age:** 52  
**Native of:** Canton  
**Inaugurated:** Dec. 31, 1999  
**Political party:** Republican

**What got him into politics:** While in high school, Quinn took a driver's education class taught by former BG mayor Bruce Bellard. After talking with Bellard, he asked him how he could get involved in government.

**Prior government experience:** Quinn's first role in BG city government was as a member of the Housing Commission in the late 1970s. He was elected to the city council at-large for two four-year terms, in 1981 and 1985. He was president the last six of those years, the first Republican to hold the position in a quarter-century. He also spent eight years on the Board of Public Utilities, and as an alternate on the Planning Commission he participated in the review of the City Charter.

**Education:** Quinn earned two bachelor's degrees (education and history) from BGSU in 1969, and a master's degree in history from the University two years later.

**Other occupations:** Quinn taught American history and government in the Bowling Green schools system for 30 years, the last 25 at Bowling Green High School. During that time, he served as athletics director and director of a program for gifted and talented students. He coached girls varsity basketball and was an assistant coach on the varsity football team.



BEN FRENCH/ The BG News

Mayor John Quinn looks over the morning agenda during one of his first days in office

### On the lighter side...

**Q: How did you get ready for Y2K?**

A: "I wanted to be prepared, and my home computer was running a little slow anyway, so I had a computer company come over to put in more memory."

"They installed it wrong and completely screwed it up. The mayor was the only person without a computer before Y2K."

**Q: What was your first dream job?**

A: "I wanted to be a dentist."

**Q: What is the most trouble you have ever gotten into with the law?**

A: "I got ticketed for a four-way stop in high school."

"There were a lot of times I probably should have [gotten into trouble] but didn't. We usually didn't get caught."

He said that some of the jokes he and his friends pulled in college, such as staging fake drive-by shootings in front of local businesses using blank guns, "showed a different age" and wouldn't be considered that

humorous today.

"I'll be the first to admit that we did things that were totally unacceptable."

**Q: What was the biggest college prank you have ever been involved with?**

A: A former member of the fraternity Alpha Tau Omega, Quinn recalls some good-natured horseplay that nearly blotted his GPA.

"I didn't believe in hazing, but I was pretty hard on the pledges," he said. One day some fraternity rookies turned the tables on him during a class.

"They kidnapped me—chair and all—from my history class at Hayes Hall," he said. "They didn't even wait for the break."

Quinn was thrown in a rental truck and taken to a fellow fraternity member's cottage near Lake Erie.

"They kept me up all night and I had a big political science test the next day," he remembers. "I tried to plead with the professor but he made me take it anyway."

Fortunately for Quinn, the overnight adventure didn't affect his grade.

"I ended up getting an 'A.' It was one of the few I got."

**Q: What's another of your favorite college memories?**

A: "I was on a crew that carried the [University football team's] Victory Bell to all the away games and made sure it was rung for every point the Falcons scored."

"We played Temple and beat them badly. We scored in the 50s. Some Temple kids got frustrated and decided they were going to come out of the crowd and take over the bell."

"Fortunately some security guards assisted us and nothing bad happened."

**Q: What was the first thing you did after learning you had won the mayoral election?**

A: "I hugged my wife [Jane] and daughter [Carrie]," he said, pointing to a framed picture sitting atop his desk that captured the moment.

**Q: What is your take on the relationship between the citizens of Bowling Green and the students?**

A: "It's not too bad. In some places there are problems...but for the most part, I think people appreciate that the University is there and the services it provides."

He said a nationally known speaker came to Bowling Green recently to comment on the state of affairs between town and gown.

"He said the situation here was mild compared to some other Universities."

"There usually are more problems in the fall, when some students come here just to party."

He continued, noting that his teaching background has taught him a lot about student behavior.

"There's always going to be a vocal percent [of students] who just don't want to accept authority."

**Q: What is your biggest concern regarding the student population right now?**

A: "Students need to get more involved in the activities available here. Many students set their schedule so they can leave Thursday and come back Monday afternoon."

"They don't necessarily have to be involved with city activities, because there are many University activities that overlap with the city."

"I think my experience at BGSU was great because I got involved."

**Q: What do you think about the prospect of bars and dance clubs raising their admission age to 21?**

A: "It's not a good idea."

He said that he sees it as a personal decision each business should make. He also sees it as a personal decision for underage students when they drink illegally. He also said the current age limit helps keep alcohol out of the

hands of high school students.

"I was not upset when the drinking age was 19. Students come here to be respected as adults, but then they get treated like children. If they are old enough to live away from home, they are old enough to be responsible."

**Q: Why should students care about what happens in city government?**

A: "Because it affects them when they deal with police, local merchants, landlords and others on a regular basis. The city is here to help students deal with these people."

He said the interaction of students and city government via city council has been a very positive relationship over the years.

"Since Don Pond became the first student on city council in 1983, every one of the students that followed him have been very responsible in carrying out their duties and contributing something new."

He added that few realize the subtleties of citizenship, for example if they register to vote, they are eligible for jury duty.

**Q: What should the city's economic focus be right now?**

A: "To maintain a substantial growth rate and attract clean, sizeable employers that, if they go belly up, won't drag the city down with it. We also would like to attract more businesses to the University's research park."

**Q: What will be the hardest part about filling the shoes of former mayor Wes Hoffman?**

A: "There was so much experience there, he knew all about how the city worked," he said, referring to Hoffman's eight years as mayor and 17 years as city administrator.

"Even with my twenty years of experience [in Bowling Green government] it's only taken me a few days as mayor to realize how much more there is to do here."



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# SPORTS

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## Almost perfect holidays

Men's basketball win 5 out of 6 games over break, open Mid-American Conference play

### Trio leads winning streak

**PETE STELLA**  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Starting with the Urbana game December 22, the scoring done by the BG men's basketball team started shifting around to different people.

For the first eight games of the 1999-2000 season, forward Anthony Stacey and guard Keith McLeod led the pack in the scoring duties. But since then, forwards Dave Esterkamp and Len Matela have stepped in and filled the role nicely.

According to BG coach Dan Dakich, Stacey has been playing on a "very sore ankle" and missed the entire Urbana game. Despite the injury, Stacey still gives the quality of play only he can give in the minutes he is playing.

"He is a tough kid," Dakich said. "The doctors found two 'hot spots' on his ankle and when his sprained ankle never healed, the doctors figured it was broken. It is just sore and he looked good in practice Monday."

Esterkamp hit for 19 points against Urbana and shared the team high scoring bracket with guard Keith McLeod, who also had 19. Against Marshall, Northern Illinois and Buffalo, Esterkamp led the team with 23, 17 and 21 points respectively. In the Buffalo game, he also paced the team with a game high nine rebounds.

"Esterkamp has looked good in his play," Dakich said. "His running with the ball and his shooting have both improved."

For his effort over the past few games, Esterkamp was awarded Mid-American Conference Offensive Player of the Week.



BG News Photo/BEN FRENCH  
BG guard Trent Jackson's high flying play has been one reason the Falcons have soared to the top of the Mid-American Conference standings.

### 5-1 mark makes Christmas merry

**PETE STELLA AND G MICHAEL GRAHAM**  
SPORTS STAFF

A 46 point loss to West Virginia, a 62 point win over Urbana, a 5-1 record over break, an 11-2 overall record and a partridge in a pear tree.

These events sum up the last six games for the BG men's basketball team, in which they have compiled an 11-2 overall record and a 3-0 Mid-American Conference mark. This stand gives the Falcons second place in the MAC East behind Akron.

#### West Virginia 100 Bowling Green 54

The game vs. the Mountaineers saw the long awaited debut of Brandon Pardon, a transfer guard from Wright State. He hit for two points, dished one assist and got two steals in 27 minutes of action.

West Virginia proved to be too much for the Brown and Orange as they opened the game with a 16-3 lead after a 13-1 run. The Falcons closed it to 22-16 by the 8:51 mark with a run of their own. The Mountaineers went into half time with a 15 point lead and never looked back.

An 8-0 run to open the second half and a 32-8 run in the last ten minutes of the game gave the win to West Virginia. The Falcons were held to 25.8 percent shooting from the floor.

Guard Trent Jackson led the way for BG, compiling 12 points and forward Anthony Stacey netted 10 points and seven rebounds.

#### Bowling Green 114 Urbana 52

The Falcons took their anger from the beating at West Virginia out on Urbana, an NAIA school.

BG took a 15-2 lead at the 15:56 mark and a 60-29 advantage into the locker room. The Falcons scored 16

of the last 24 points of the first half. The Falcons connected with their shots early and scored 14 of the first 18 points in the second half. The final score was the largest lead of the night for BG.

Forward Dave Esterkamp and guard Keith McLeod paced the Falcons with 19 points each.

Cory Ryan and guard Dubrey Black finished with 10 points each. Pardon went 4 of 5 from beyond the arc and connected for 13 points. Guard Seth Doliboa pulled down ten boards.

The Falcons were credited with 31 assists, equaling a school record. Pardon and guard Graham Bunn each had nine and the victory of margin was the most since 1973.

#### Bowling Green 66 Arkansas Little Rock 53

Forward Len Matela lifted the Falcons with a 22 point, 11 rebound night as the Falcons finished their two game season sweep of the Trojans. BG took a 32-24 lead at half-time and shot .550 from the floor in the second half to give them the win.

McLeod hit for 14 points, Stacey scored 13 and forward Brent Klassen connected for ten. The Brown and Orange committed a season low eight turnovers in the game.

#### Bowling Green 85 Marshall 64

BG welcomed Marshall to Anderson Arena for the opening game of the MAC schedule. But the Falcons sent the previously unbeaten Herd back to West Virginia with their first loss of the season.

In the first nine plus minutes, there were nine lead changes and two ties before the Falcons scored 19 straight points to build a 37-19

● See Men, page 23.



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BG forward Afra Smith (31) and a teammate go for a rebound.

## Women fall on rough times over break

**G. MICHAEL GRAHAM**  
SPORTS WRITER

A 1-4 record did not make for a good Christmas break for the Bowling Green women's basketball team. However, there is a little bit of good news that came in the form of a win against Central Michigan.

#### Washington State 79 Bowling Green 71

The Falcons dropped their fourth straight contest with an eight-point loss at Anderson Arena.

The Cougars grabbed a 38-28 halftime lead and would not look back. WSU's 6-foot-4 Alke Dietal came off the bench to lead all scorers with 23 points. She was 8-of-10 from the field including 2-of-2 from three-point land.

BG cut the lead to one three times in the second half but never seized the lead. A Jaymee Wappes jumper cut the Washington State lead to three points with a minute left but the Cougars sunk seven straight free

throws to ice the contest.

Wappes had a career-high 12 points while Francine Miller led BG with 14. Sherry Kahle added 10 points in the losing effort.

#### UNC-Charlotte 72 Bowling Green 62

The Falcons never led in the opening round of the Hokie Hardwood Classic. They dropped their fifth in a row as a result of a 10-point loss to the 49ers.

A Kahle jumper cut the margin to 48-45 midway through the second half. But BG came no closer than five after that.

Miller had game-highs of 16 points, 10 rebounds and four steals. Farmer added 14. Jameka Jones had 15 points for the 49ers.

#### Hampton 78 Bowling Green 70

Bowling Green had a chance to break its losing skid but another dry spell robbed the Falcons of the opportunity. As a result, BG took

fourth in the Hokie Hardwood Classic even though five Falcons scored in double-figures.

A Miller hoop gave BG a 65-61 advantage with 5:33 left. But Hampton went on a 13-0 run after that en route to the win.

Miller had 12 points and 13 rebounds for her second straight double-double. Afra Smith and Farmer had 15 each while Kim Greich and Kahle contributed 12 and 10 respectively. For Afra Smith and Greich, those

#### Women's Basketball

were career-highs.

LaShondra Dix had 28 points to lead all scorers.

#### Kent 82

#### Bowling Green 61

The Golden Flashes handed BG its school record-tying seventh consecutive loss in the Mid-American Conference opener for both teams.

BG hung tough with Kent in the first half but the Golden Flashes pulled away with a 19-0 run. The Golden Flashes scored the last 11

points of the first half and the first eight points of the second half.

Kent guard Dawn Zerman had 28 points to lead all scorers. Golden Flash center Julie Studer added 26.

Kent's free-throw shooting also hurt BG. The Golden Flashes made 21-of-25 attempts for 88 percent compared to 7-of-10 for the Falcons for 70 percent.

Kahle led BG with 15 points while Afra Smith and Jaymee Wappes added 12 and 11 respectively.

#### Bowling Green 80 Central Michigan 69

This is where the good news comes into play. The Falcons defeated Central Michigan at Mount Pleasant for the second straight year. The win over former Falcon coach Fran Voll was also BG's first road and MAC win of the season.

"It was a big win to say the least," Farmer said. "If we can get a road win, it helps with our confidence."

● See Women, page 23.

## 20 point lead not enough for Falcons

**DAVE TRUMAN**  
SPORTS WRITER

Dee Knoblauch saw the potential threat to Bowling Green's 17-point second-half lead when Buffalo center Tiffany Bell sprained her ankle while running the floor Saturday at Anderson Arena.

The Falcons' coach worried that Buffalo would use the loss of its leading scorer as a rallying point in an effort to get back into the game and extend the team's school record 11 game winning streak.

Knoblauch told the Falcons not to let that happen.

"In that timeout, I said, 'You guys, it happens all the time,'" Knoblauch said. "The big gun goes out and the whole team rallies around it.' That is exactly what Buffalo did."

BG initially responded by building its lead, which was 44-31 at half time, to 59-39 with 13:39 remaining.

The Bulls, powered by the fiery

shooting of Tara Perrier and the inside presence of forward Kim Kilpela, dominated the Falcons over the final 13 minutes on their way to an 85-81 victory.

The loss dropped BG to 3-10 overall and 1-2 in the Mid-American Conference. Buffalo improved to 12-1, 2-0.

"We had a great game plan for Bell," Knoblauch said. "We had her frustrated and she only had six points the whole first half. She gets hurt and they obviously stop looking for her."

BG was led by Angie Farmer's 20 points on 4-6 shooting from behind the arc. Jaymee Wappes added five points, nine assists and three steals and Sherry Kahle chipped in 12 points and nine rebounds.

Perrier and Kilpela combined to score 15 points during an 18-1 Buf-

falo run that cut the BG lead to three with 7:47 to play.

"Kilpela really stepped up in the second half and took it on," Buffalo coach Cheryl Dozier said. "They were double-teaming us the whole night in there. In the second half she just decided to take it on her shoulders and she had some huge offensive boards."

Perrier scored 20 of her game high 26 points in 13 second-half minutes. She finished 7-9 from behind the three-point line. Kilpela finished with 18 points and seven rebounds after scoring just two points in the first 20 minutes.

"Our main concern was Tiffany Bell," Farmer said. "When she went down, Perrier stepped up and hit some huge shots. We didn't respond to somebody that was hot, and that hurt us."

The Falcons were able to cling to their dwindling lead until Francine Miller fouled out with 3:01 to play and BG ahead 74-72.

Miller played only 22 minutes

but scored 18 points on 8-10 shooting.

"She was posting our guards up and getting layups," Dozier said. "We haven't faced that type of offense yet this year and it was giving us a lot of trouble. [Miller's absence] was huge because they couldn't rely on her down the stretch."

Perrier sandwiched a layup by BG forward Afra Smith between three-pointers on the Bulls' next two possessions. The Falcons were unable to catch up in the final 1:42 thanks to a Sonia Ortega jump-shot and four free throws by Mari McClure that built and rebuilt a six-point Bulls lead.

Ortega led Buffalo with nine rebounds, nine assists and 14 points.



# Hockey splits tournament; loses game, player

## Timm solid in tourney

DAN NIED  
SPORTS EDITOR

When Bowling Green goalie Tyler Masters injured his ankle against Michigan in the last game before Christmas break, it gave junior Shawn Timm a chance to prove that last year's nightmare season was a fluke.

With Masters out, Timm was called upon to fill the net in the Rensselaer/HSBC Holiday Hockey Tournament.

He led the team to a strong showing and a third place finish in the tournament. Timm stopped 30 of 33 shots in a 3-2 loss against No. 6 Rensselaer.

In the consolation game against Union, Timm made a career high 46 saves on 50 shots in a 5-4 overtime win.

"He played pretty good out there," BG hockey coach Buddy Powers said. "He made some good stops for us and he did a solid job."

The Rensselaer game marked Timm's first start since Jan. 3 1999. The win at Union was his first since a 4-2 victory over Miami on Oct. 9 1998.

Timm didn't let in any bad goals in the tournament and was happy with the way he played.

"The first shot I faced against Rensselaer was a breakaway so it was kind of a bad way to start. But overall I did pretty well and gave us a chance to win," He said. "I guess the coaches were happy with the way I played, I know I felt comfortable out there. It's just too bad we didn't win the first night."

Timm's performance, however, will not spark any changes in the Falcon goaltending hierarchy. Finally healthy, Masters was back in net for Saturday's game against Miami.

However, Powers didn't totally rule out a change.

"We called the guys in and said that Tyler is the number one goalie if he's healthy," Powers said. "Things are always subject to being changed. If you don't play well, it's the whole thing of playing your way into jobs and playing your way out of jobs. It's going to be predicated on how guys practice and how guys play in games. And Shawn certainly encouraged us with his performance."

See Timm, page 22.



Referees break up a scuffle between BG's Austin de Luis (24), Grady Moore (3) and Tyler Masters and two Miami players. While the Falcons bested the RedHawks in the fight, Miami won the game 4-2.

## Bonvie bolts for ECHL's Rivermen

DAN NIED  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Bowling Green hockey team lost one of its most prolific scorers to the world of professional hockey.

After final exams, Junior Forward Chris Bonvie signed with the Peoria Rivermen of the East Coast Hockey League. He played in two games with the Rivermen before being cut from the team when Peoria's injured players returned.

The Rivermen "found Bonvie a place to play" with the Jacksonville Lizard Kings, also of the ECHL. However, a Lizard Kings representative said that the 21-year-old had not yet been signed, but that he was in their plans.

"It is just time for me to take the next step," Bonvie said of his move. "I think professional hockey will be a better fit for me."

Bonvie had fallen out of favor with Falcon head coach Buddy Powers this season. He had played in only one game since being benched after the Oct. 23 game against Western Michigan.

When approached for comment, Powers said the situation was a "dead issue."

Bonvie had one power play goal in four games this season. He finished his collegiate career with 24 goals and 54 points. Only senior center Adam Edinger has more career points.

Bonvie was a major catalyst on Bowling Green's league leading power play last season. Of his 24 career goals, 12 were with the man advantage.



Chris Bonvie

## Lackluster third keeps Icers on losing end

DAN NIED  
SPORTS EDITOR

It was time that the Bowling Green hockey team started to live up to their potential. No more lackluster efforts. No more missed opportunities. And no more losses that should have been wins.

What they got Saturday night at home against the Miami RedHawks was a lackluster effort, a pile of missed opportunities and a loss that should have been a win.

The RedHawks downed the Falcons 4-2 in a game that served as another chapter in Bowling Green's 6-12-0 (5-9-0 CCHA) season, and in Miami's overachieving 9-7-2 (6-4-2) record.

RedHawk freshman goalie David Burleigh faced only 16 shots, but stifled all of Bowling Green's attempts to take control of the game.

"There's no question that Burleigh was the star of this game," said BG coach Buddy Powers.

On the other end of the ice, BG's freshman goalie Tyler Masters let in two soft goals, and another on a defensive breakdown. Masters saved 28 of 32 Miami shots. It was his first game back since sitting out the Rensselaer tournament with an ankle injury.

"I pretty much cost us this game I think," Masters said. "I've got no words for it. I struggled real bad. I have nothing to say really."

Miami fourth line wing Mark Shalawlyo opened the scoring five minutes into the first period when he beat Masters in the lower right corner. It was Shalawlyo's first goal of the season.

The RedHawks went up by two midway through the first when, on a

five on three, Pat Leahy ripped a missile from the blue line over Masters' right shoulder. It was Leahy's ninth goal of the season.

Another five on three situation resulted in Bowling Green's first goal of the night. Four seconds into the two-man advantage, Falcon defenseman Grady Moore unloaded the puck from the blue line past Burleigh.

The Falcons tied the game at two less than two minutes into the third period. Freshman Ryan Fultz deflected a Greg Day shot to the top of the Miami net for a power play goal.

"Coach has been talking about going to the net," Fultz said. "I think Day kind of fanned on the shot, I think he was going to [forward Ryan] Murphy's side and it came to me and I had my stick down and it

just kind of went top shelf."

Miami didn't leave the game tied for long.

Mike Glumac skated through the Falcon defense and left beat Masters one on one 3:29 into the third.

The Falcons had a few offensive flurries after Glumac's goal, but were held to just four shots on goal in the third period. They did little after the 10 minute mark of the period.

The scoring culminated with Miami forward Nick Jardine's eighth goal of the season at 14:29.

For two and a half periods we played a solid hockey game," Powers said. "But we didn't get anything going in the last 10 minutes."

The Falcons now turn their attention to next weekend's home series against Ohio State.

### Hockey

## Second half big for swimmers

NICK HURM  
SPORTS WRITER

The second half of the season for the Bowling Green swimming and diving team will play a major role in the Falcons' success.

BG rang in the New Year with a winter training trip in Florida, receiving yet another major dose of intense training. The Falcons practiced along with other collegiate teams at Florida Atlantic University. Coach Randy Julian said the trip was very positive.

"FAU was a quality pool and we had quality space," Julian said. "Our training is the highest intensity level since I have been here for the winter break training session. It's always invigorating when you have other schools there."

The only negative about the trip is something that the Falcons have had to deal with much of their season. Like much of the surrounding area, some

### Swimming

of the swimmers have come down with the flu or other illnesses. Even Julian has come down with a case of bronchitis which couldn't have come at a worse time since the head coach is now without an assistant to help after previous assistant Kendra Lowe bid her farewell in December.

"I'm feeling sick," Julian said, "but FAU's coach two days before we got there had five heart bi-pass surgeries. I'll take this over that."

Now the Orange and Brown will dual with the Mid-American Conference. The swimmers and divers will have quite a challenge from the start with two meets on the road. BG opens the century of MAC competition with a long haul to Buffalo to face the Bulls along with Ball State on Jan. 22.

The following weekend BG will have yet another tough road trip with a tri-meet at Miami to face the hosting RedHawks and Ohio. Then the Falcons will spend the third weekend of swimming and diving in a row at Cooper Pool with an afternoon home meet against Akron and Northern Illinois.

"We have four very challenging weeks, then we get into our MAC championship season," Julian said. "For those who are healthy we have to stay the course we are going."

Going into the second half of the season two keys could make or break the Falcons. One of the concerns is sickness. The more sickness that goes around the team, the less training the members will be able to accomplish. Every meet is critical for the Falcons and sickness will only hold them back.

The other key is intensity. Better focus has resulted in better swims for some of the BG swimmers. Julian said that he noticed the Falcons intensity last month when BG had one of its best showings at the Notre Dame Invitational.

"The ones that swam well at Notre Dame are incredibly focused and goal oriented," Julian said. "The ones that swam pretty good but not great, I think we have to define what they're doing. I've got to sit down with a few people to make sure that they understand the intensity level that the rest of the group picked up."



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Women's swimmers cheer on a teammate as she begins competition. The team traveled to Florida Atlantic University over break to practice with other college swimming programs.

## Rocker crazy? Selig wants to find out

ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — John Rocker was ordered by baseball to undergo psychological tests before deciding whether to punish the outspoken reliever for remarks he made disparaging gays, minorities and immigrants.

Commissioner Bud Selig said Thursday he will await the evaluation of the Atlanta Braves star before deciding on any disciplinary action.

"Mr. Rocker's recent remarks made to a national magazine reporter were reprehensible and completely inexcusable," Selig said in a statement. "I am profoundly concerned about the nature of those comments as well as by certain other aspects of his behavior."

Selig said he will take "whatever additional action that I consider to be necessary" after Rocker's evaluation.

Braves president Stan Kasten said at a news conference that he thought punishment was warranted, but said the commissioner's office will decide, not the team.

"It's important that John gets right with the organization, his teammates and the community," Kasten said. "But we at least need to give the man an opportunity to demonstrate his heartfelt remorse and correct the problem."

He said if the comments had been published during the season, Rocker likely would have been suspended indefinitely.

Kasten said the evaluation should begin within days. He said releasing Rocker remains an option but is unlikely.

Kasten said baseball officials and the players' association decided the evaluations were appropriate. The two organizations jointly will pick

psychologists to evaluate Rocker. Rocker's agent, Randy Hendricks, said neither he nor Rocker would comment.

In his comments to Sports Illustrated last month, Rocker said he would never play for a New York team because he didn't want to ride a train "next to some queer with AIDS." He also bashed immigrants, saying, "I'm not a very big fan of foreigners ... How the hell did they get in this country?"

While driving in Atlanta during the interview, Rocker spit on a toll machine and mocked Asian women: "Look! Look at this idiot," he said. "I guarantee you she's a Japanese woman. How bad are Asian women at driving?" He also called a black teammate "a fat monkey."

Rocker later apologized and said he was not a racist, but several advocacy groups said the written apology and baseball's action thus far was not enough.

"We have asked for his termination and still stand by that," Jeff Graham, executive director of Atlanta's AIDS Survival Project, said Thursday. "This certainly falls short of what we asked for and think is appropriate."

Atlanta City Councilman Derrick Boazman, who organized a news conference to speak out against Rocker and the Braves soon after the comments were made public, said baseball's move was "disappointing."

"What are they evaluating him for? He's a 37-save guy, and they know he is psychologically fit to play the game," Boazman said. "Even if he is diminished mentally, he still made those hate-filled comments. And I hope that by ordering these tests, they excuse what he said."

### Baseball



# Seminoles survive Vick, Virginia Tech for crown

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — No. 1 at the start, No. 1 at the finish.

Florida State is the perfect national champion.

Led by the sizzling Peter Warrick and the steady Chris Weinke, the Seminoles held off Virginia Tech for a 46-29 victory Jan. 4 in the Sugar Bowl.

## College Football

The Hokies' freshman quarterback, Michael Vick, played an electrifying game of catch-me-if-you-can, but it wasn't enough.

Warrick thrilled a Superdome crowd with a record 20-point game — he caught touchdown passes of 64 and 43 yards, returned a punt 59 yards for a score and snagged a 2-point conversion pass from Weinke.

The 27-year-old Weinke, playing perhaps the final game of his college career, completed 20 of 34 passes for 329 yards and four TDs — two to Warrick and two to Ron Dugans. Warrick finished with six catches for 163 yards in the highest-scoring Sugar Bowl in history.

Vick threw for 225 yards and one TD and ran for 97 yards and a score.

Florida State (12-0) was certain to become the first team to go wire-to-wire in The Associated Press' poll since the preseason ratings began in 1950. The final AP poll will be released early Wednesday to confirm the obvious.

The Seminoles were automatically crowned national champs in the USA Today-ESPN coaches' poll under the Bowl Championship Series format.

All week, Warrick and his senior pals promised each other they would do everything possible to avoid losing three title games. They did — in a big way — and Bobby Bowden

completed a remarkable year. He won his 300th game in the first father vs. son coaching matchup, celebrated his 70th birthday and 50th wedding anniversary and finally attained his first perfect season in 40 years as a coach.

Warrick, the All-American wide receiver who lost his chance at the Heisman Trophy after a two-game suspension for his role in a shopping mall scam, came up with his best performance in the final game of his college career.

In the first half, he caught three passes for 100 yards and his punt return helped the Seminoles build a 28-14 lead after 30 minutes of big plays. Last season, he was held to one catch for seven yards in a Fiesta Bowl loss to Tennessee in the national title game. In fact, in three previous bowl games, Warrick totaled five catches and no TDs.

He opened the scoring with his 64-yard grab, then took a punt and blazed past Tech defenders for a 59-yard score and a 28-7 lead.

Late in the game, with half the crowd of 79,280 chanting "Peter Warrick, Peter Warrick," Weinke reared back and threw a 43-yard TD pass to the wide receiver, who caught the ball while diving into the end zone with a Virginia Tech defender draped over him. The chants rang out again and Warrick ran to the sideline to celebrate with his teammates.

The win over the upstart Hokies (11-1) stamped the Seminoles as the Team of the Decade and ended a run of national title misses under Bowden. Since winning its first national crown in 1993, Florida State had lost two of the past three title games — 23-16 to Tennessee last season, and 52-20 to Florida in '97 in what until



Associated Press Photo

Florida State quarterback Chris Weinke connected with receiver Peter Warrick to help the Seminoles escape Michael Vick and Virginia Tech in the Sugar Bowl.

Tuesday night was the highest-scoring Sugar Bowl.

The loss ended Virginia Tech's dream season and a bid for its first national title in 107 years of playing football.

Vick was valiant in defeat. The 19-year-old left-hander overcame a lost fumble near the Seminoles goal line on the game's opening drive and led the Hokies back from a 21-point deficit to a 29-28 lead with 2:13 left in the third quarter.

Florida State somehow regrouped and regained the lead as Weinke hit Dugans on a 15-yard

score with 12:59 left in the game. Warrick caught a 2-point conversion pass from Weinke and the 'Noles were back in the lead, 36-29.

Florida State got the ball back when linebacker Bobby Rhodes' helmet knocked the ball from Vick's grasp and safety Sean Key recovered at the Hokies 34. The turnover set up Sebastian Janikowski's 32-yard field goal with 10:26 that put the Seminoles ahead 39-29.

And then came Warrick's best catch of all to seal the title. After stopping Tech on fourth down, Florida State took over at the Tech

43 and Weinke found Warrick, who held onto the ball with cornerback Roynell Whitaker hanging over him.

Down 28-14 at the half, Virginia Tech seized the momentum. Vick threw a 26-yard completion to set up Shayne Graham's 23-yard field goal to make it 28-17.

The Hokies defense came alive and forced a punt, which was returned 46 yards to the Seminoles 36 by Ike Carlton, the cornerback subbing for injured Ricky Hall. Three plays later, Andre Kendrick raced 29 yards for a touchdown to pull the Hokies within 28-23. Kendrick stepped in for Shyrone Stith, Tech's 1,000-yard rusher who missed the second half with a sprained left ankle. Vick's 2-point conversion pass attempt was incomplete.

Cornerback Anthony Midget then intercepted a long pass intended for Warrick, and Vick went to work again. He threw a 23-yard pass to Cullen Hawkins, was sacked for a 7-yard loss and then went on a 22-yard dash to the 6. Kendrick scored from 6 yards out and the Hokies were ahead for the first and only time.

While Virginia Tech may be the undisputed champion on special teams — 63 in the 1990s — it was Florida State that excelled in that department, too. Sixty-eight seconds after Warrick's first score, it was 14-0 after linebacker Tommy Polley blocked a punt by Tech's John Kibble, and Jeff Chaney scooped it up and went 6 yards for a touchdown with 2:14 left in the first quarter. It was the first time in Kibble's career he had a punt blocked.

In the second season under the BCS format, everything went Florida State's way. The Seminoles, ranked No. 1 in both major preseason polls, also had a schedule that

was sixth-toughest among 114 I-A teams. As long as Florida State kept winning, there was little chance the computer-heavy BCS standings would leave the 'Noles out of the title game.

All Bowden's boys had to do was win 'em all and keep their noses clean. Staying out of trouble, it turned out, was the most difficult part. At least five players were suspended or kicked off the team for various reasons.

Warrick and Laveranues Cole were arrested Oct. 7 on a charge of felony grand theft for paying \$21,400 for \$412.38 worth of clothing at a Dillard's department store in Tallahassee. Warrick was suspended two games and reinstated after he pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor, which required that he spend 30 hours in work program.

On the field, Florida State had a healthy Weinke, Warrick for nine games and a solid but unspectacular defense led by noseguard Corey Simon. When the defense was burned for 387 yards and four TD passes by Georgia Tech's Joe Hamilton, the Seminoles' offense took charge for a 41-35 victory on Sept. 11.

Bowden got career victory No. 300 against Clemson, coached by Bobby's son, Tommy, in college football's first father vs. son coaching matchup.

Finally, there was the annual showdown with Florida, this time at The Swamp. After the Gators went ahead 16-13 midway through the third quarter, Weinke led the Seminoles to a tying field goal and two more TDs to seal a 30-23 victory.

Forty-five days later, the relieved Bowden has himself a second national championship.

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## Parcells, Belichick leave Jets in turmoil

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Instead of following Bill Parcells as head coach of the New York Jets, Bill Belichick chose to follow Parcells' lead. He resigned.

One day after Parcells said he was through coaching, his hand-chosen successor, defensive coordinator Belichick, dropped his own bombshell: He didn't want the job, either.

In the tightly controlled environment of pro football, where players, coaches and staff move in step, Belichick's sudden reversal of field Tuesday was startling.

"The uncertainty surrounding the ownership of the team, and a number of other things, had an effect on my decision," said Belichick, whose Jets contract stipulates he would become head coach when Parcells stepped down. "I know the commitment that needs to be made, and I don't feel in the current situation I can lead the Jets with 100 percent conviction. The situation is one of great uncertainty, and I just don't feel I can go forward."

Belichick is concerned about the team's pending sale — the estate of Leon Hess, who died in May, is in the final stages of that sale — and how much security he might have with the new owners.

"I have to make a decision that I understand what's at stake and I just don't feel that I can lead the Jets in the year 2000," he said. "I've been in a situation and, more importantly, my family has been in a situation where I was the head coach of a team in transition, of a team that

went through a lot of changes, and frankly it wasn't a real good experience for me or them."

He was referring to his five-year stint in Cleveland, when the Browns went 37-45 and he was fired.

"I'm not saying that would happen here. I don't know what would happen, what I would need to do. I don't feel that I can do it right now."

"I've been concerned about the situation here since Leon Hess died. We talked about all the stipulations. By Dec. 15, there was going to be an owner. It's Jan. 4. We've run through scenarios and it seems like every time we talk, a new scenario takes place. There hasn't been a consistent pattern."

He also said he was unsure exactly what Parcells' input would be as chief of football operations. Parcells was unavailable for comment, although he said Monday that Belichick would run the entire football side of the franchise.

But Belichick admitted he didn't exactly get a pep talk from his predecessor.

"It's about the whole package, built up over a period of months. It really was triggered when Bill said, 'If you have that many questions — and I can't answer them all, I'm not the new owners, I'm not selling the team — if you have that many reservations about it, then you should think about whether you want to be in this job.'"

Belichick didn't, and he told team president Steve Gutman so only moments before stepping into the conference room.



Associated Press Photo  
OSU Linebacker Na'il Diggs will take his gravity defying act to the NFL. Diggs was the Buckeye's top defensive player this season.

## Diggs ditches Buckeyes for draft

ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS — Linebacker Na'il Diggs, Ohio State's leading tackler last season, seldom wavered on the field. But he sure did in the days and hours leading up to Tuesday's decision to forgo his senior season.

A tormented Diggs destroyed the first draft of a statement that he was leaving for the NFL, but later changed his mind.

"I've been back and forth until Sunday night, until I finally came to realize that this is really what I want to do," the 6-foot-4, 232-pounder said.

### College Football

There was really no definite factor that pushed me over to declare. I just felt after doing the research and seeing what my chances are that this is the right time to do it."

A second-team All-Big Ten selection last season at Ohio State, the pressure had been mounting on Diggs because the Buckeyes didn't go to a bowl game for the first time in 11 years.

"He struggled a lot with this," said his girlfriend, Vanessa Lewis. "With no bowl game, he's had all the time in the world to think about it and go back and forth with it. He's had nothing else to focus on except for his decision. Everyone was asking him. There were so many outside pressures."

Diggs led Ohio State with 94 total tackles, 64 solos, 15 tackles-for-loss, six sacks and three forced fumbles last season. A year earlier, his statistics were superior to his

more acclaimed linebacking partner, Andy Katzenmoyer.

Former teammates Katzenmoyer, Shawn Springs and David Boston all counseled Diggs while he contemplated his decision. All three left Ohio State a year early and were drafted in the first round, but Diggs said none of them told him he should definitely turn pro.

Diggs becomes the 13th Ohio State player to leave early since the 1992 draft. Ten were taken in the first round, including current NFL stars Robert Smith (Minnesota), Terry Glenn and Katzenmoyer (New England), Springs (Seattle), Orlando Pace (St. Louis)

and Boston (Arizona). After the Buckeyes completed a 6-6 season by losing their last three games, Diggs' sister, Roslyn Berry, contacted NFL scouts and general managers. She said the consensus was that he would be taken in the top three rounds.

"That weighed heavily," she said. "But his heart was still with Ohio State. That's where the tug of war took place."

The Buckeyes' mediocre season — and the possibility of a similar season next year — didn't affect his decision, Diggs said.

"It flashed through my mind, but I knew that I couldn't use that as a determining factor," he said.

Head coach John Cooper, who did not meet with Diggs face to face, was not at the news conference, nor were any of the other Ohio State assistant coaches.

## WOMEN

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Miller once again led the way with a career-high 28 points, including 20 in the second half.

BG grabbed a three point lead on a Griech three-pointer with 29 seconds left in the half. The Chippewas tied the score at 40 early in the second stanza, but Miller gave BGSU the lead for good.

Farmer added 19 points to join Miller in double-digit scoring. Kahle

had a career-best 14 rebounds while Wappes had nine points and seven assists playing the entire game.

"The key to the Central win was teamwork," Farmer said. "Everyone played well. We had good passes. They had three-point shooters, which is easier for us to handle because all we did was fly out at them."

Jodi Culbertson paced the Chippewas with 16 points.

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### Falcon Notebook

In The Rensselaer/HSBC Holiday Hockey tournament Junior forwards Ryan Murphy and sophomore Forward Scot Hewson scored for BG against Rensselaer. However, goals by NCAA leading scorer Brad Trapper, Jared Reigstad and Doug Shepherd were too much for the Falcons to overcome.

They peppered Rensselaer goalie Joel Laing with 45 shots, including 19 in the third period...

In the Consolation game, Falcon

defenseman Grady Moore scored two goals, including the game winner in overtime in the Falcons' win against Union. Adam Edinger, Dennis Williams and Curtis Valentine also scored for the Falcons. It was Valentine's first goal of the year.

The Falcons once again unloaded their firepower with 44 shots on Union goalie Brandon Snee...

Senior defenseman Mike Jones was named to the all-tournament team. Jones recorded assists on both of BG's goals against Rensselaer and one against Union.



BG News Photo/MIKE LEHMKUHL  
BG forward Tyler Knight puts a move on Miami defenseman Ken Marsch.

## Carruth indicted on murder

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — A grand jury on Tuesday invoked an anti-abortion law Tuesday in indicting former NFL player Rae Carruth and three others on a charge of trying to kill the unborn child of Carruth's girlfriend, whom the four also are accused of conspiring to kill.

Carruth and the other three suspects also were indicted by the Mecklenburg County grand jury on murder and conspiracy charges, which they already face in Cherica Adams' slaying. But no charges previously were filed regarding her son, born 10 weeks

prematurely but steadily improving.

Officials said the indictment will enable prosecutors to skip a probable cause hearing scheduled for Monday.

Adams, 24, was shot four times in a drive-by shooting Nov. 16 as she drove through south Charlotte. Prosecutors said Carruth may have been driving a vehicle ahead of Adams, when a vehicle pulled alongside her and someone opened fire.

Shortly after the shooting, Adams gave birth to Chancellor Adams. Cherica Adams died Dec. 14.

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**The Final Top 25**  
By The Associated Press

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press final college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, final records, points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Florida St. (70)	12-0	1,750	1
2. Virginia Tech	11-1	1,647	2
3. Nebraska	12-1	1,634	3
4. Wisconsin	10-2	1,519	4
5. Michigan	10-2	1,406	8
6. Kansas St.	11-1	1,402	7
7. Michigan St.	10-2	1,357	9
8. Alabama	10-3	1,236	5
9. Tennessee	9-3	1,168	6
10. Marshall	13-0	1,136	11
11. Penn St.	10-3	1,038	13
12. Florida	9-4	941	10
13. Mississippi St.	10-2	923	15
14. Southern Miss.	9-3	788	16
15. Miami	9-4	678	23
16. Georgia	8-4	640	21
17. Arkansas	8-4	575	24
18. Minnesota	8-4	452	12
19. Oregon	9-3	358	—
20. Georgia Tech	8-4	345	17
21. Texas	9-5	340	14
22. Mississippi	8-4	281	—
23. Texas A&M	8-4	272	18
24. Illinois	8-4	201	—
25. Purdue	7-5	198	19

Others receiving votes: Stanford 168, East Carolina 97, Colorado 75, TCU 45, Syracuse 21, Utah 20, Hawaii 19, Washington 7, Wake Forest 5, Boise St. 3, Oklahoma 3, Colorado St. 2.

**National Hockey League At A Glance**  
By The Associated Press  
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division						
	W	L	T	RT	Pts	
New Jersey	24	12	5	2	55	
Philadelphia	23	11	6	1	53	
Pittsburgh	17	18	3	5	42	
N.Y. Rangers	13	19	7	3	36	
N.Y. Islanders	9	24	5	0	23	

Northeast Division						
	W	L	T	RT	Pts	
Toronto	24	13	4	3	55	
Ottawa	21	13	6	2	50	
Boston	14	17	10	2	40	
Buffalo	16	20	5	1	38	
Montreal	12	23	5	1	30	

Southeast Division						
	W	L	T	RT	Pts	
Florida	22	14	3	3	350	
Carolina	16	17	7	0	39	
Washington	14	17	7	1	36	
Tampa Bay	10	21	6	3	29	
Atlanta	10	25	4	3	27	

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

Central Division						
	W	L	T	RT	Pts	
Detroit	26	11	4	1	57	
St. Louis	24	11	6	0	54	
Nashville	14	22	5	2	35	
Chicago	12	22	6	2	32	

Northwest Division						
	W	L	T	RT	Pts	
Colorado	19	16	5	1	44	
Edmonton	13	17	11	5	42	
Calgary	17	19	5	1	40	
Vancouver	12	18	8	3	35	

Pacific Division						
	W	L	T	RT	Pts	
Phoenix	22	14	4	0	48	
Dallas	21	15	5	1	48	
San Jose	20	19	5	3	48	
Los Angeles	18	15	7	2	45	
Anaheim	18	18	4	1	41	

**FROM THE WIRE**

**Religious coach steps down**

*Associated Press*  
LONDON, Ohio — After nearly two years of legal maneuvering and religious debate, a high school football coach sued for leading his players in prayer decided he no longer wanted to be on the sidelines.  
Dave Daubenmire, the head coach at London High School, a public school, said Thursday that he could no longer make the necessary commitment to his job and resigned. He will continue to teach at the school.  
Daubenmire had been under fire since summer 1998 when a group of residents in this city 25 miles west of Columbus accused him of forcing his religious views on his students and players.  
He was sued by the American Civil Liberties Union in June, and even though he kept his job when the case was settled in October, Daubenmire said coaching in 2000 would be too much of a strain on his family and not fair to his players.

**Olympic team rounded out**

*Associated Press*  
Grant Hill, Alonzo Mourning and Ray Allen were chosen to fill the final three roster spots on the U.S. Olympic men's basketball team, The Associated Press learned.  
The selections were made during a conference call by USA Basketball, the governing body for the national team. Several NBA sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, disclosed the selections.  
Hill was originally chosen for the team two years ago only to withdraw because the Olympic qualifying tournament, held last summer in Puerto Rico, conflicted with his wedding.  
Mourning gets the spot that was expected to go to Shaquille O'Neal, a member of the 1996 team that won the gold medal in Atlanta. O'Neal had indicated recently that he did not want to play, preferring instead to spend more time with his 3-year-old daughter.  
Allen, a fourth-year guard for the Milwaukee Bucks, was selected to fill the team's perceived need for another pure shooter.

**Illinois takes out Bucks**

*Associated Press*  
CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — Frank Williams is talented and unpredictable, a freshman playing point guard in the Big Ten. There is no fear in Williams, who makes eye-popping passes one second and silly turnovers the next.  
Take the last shot? Just get him the ball, as No. 19 Illinois did Thursday night.  
Williams hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer — his third final shot attempt this season — and the Illini beat No. 13 Ohio State 80-77 in the conference opener for both schools.  
"My teammates believed in me to take the shot," Williams said.  
"Frank has made good progress whether or not that shot goes in," Illinois coach Lon Kruger said. "But more than Frank, it's just a huge win for the team."  
The Illini (9-3) couldn't put the Buckeyes (8-3) away. And that's no surprise. Illinois beat Ohio State last year in the Big Ten tournament before the talented Buckeyes made a run to the Final Four.

**Austin makes change in plans**

*Associated Press*  
CLEVELAND — World Wrestling Federation performer "Stone Cold" Steve Austin has decided against having spinal cord surgery at University Hospitals of Cleveland.  
Instead, he will have the procedure at Methodist Hospital in San Antonio, near his hometown. Austin had been scheduled to have the surgery in Cleveland on Tuesday.  
Dr. Henry H. Bohlman, an orthopedic surgeon, had planned to use a procedure he pioneered to remove bone spurs and parts of Austin's vertebrae and discs to relieve pressure on his spinal cord.  
Bohlman, who operated on Major League Baseball star Cal Ripken Jr. last summer, said Thursday that Austin told him a few days ago he had changed his mind about who will do the surgery.  
"You would think he'd be astute enough to come to somebody who pioneered this, who has done this for years," he said.  
Jim Byrne, WWF senior vice president of marketing, said Thursday that he had not heard of the change.

**MEN**

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lead at the 5:05 mark. BG held a 46-29 advantage at the half and increased their lead to 21 points in the early part of the second half and eventually got the win.  
"Marshall was a big win for us but winning the next two games after that was even bigger," Dakich said. "It is always good to follow up a big win with another."  
Esterkamp again led the Brown and Orange in scoring, going 9 of 12 from the floor and 3 of 5 from three point land to end with 23 points. Matela earned another double double for his 16 point, 11 rebound

night and McLeod chipped in with 21 points. Stacey hit for 13 points and Pardon dished out 11 assists in BG's first conference win.  
**Bowling Green 72**  
**Northern Illinois 54**  
The Falcons earned their 10th win Jan. 5 by running Northern Illinois off the court in the second half. The Falcon defense held the Huskies to just six points in the game's first 12 minutes. BG led by as many as 25 in the second half before Dakich subbed in players such as Ryan, Doliboa and Jeremy King.  
"In the second half, we came out and did a much better job of doing

the things we're good at — running the floor, getting the ball to people and taking the ball to the basket instead of standing around and we did a much better job on the backboard," Dakich said. "They (Huskies) had 12 (offensive rebounds) in the first half and only two in the second. That was the difference in the ball game."  
As a team, the Falcons held Northern to 35 percent from the field (22-of-63) while they were 27-of-53 for 51 percent. BG also recorded 12 assists, five blocks and seven steals.  
"We have to come out each and

every game to prove something," Stacey said. "We have a long way to go."  
Stacey had 15 points while Esterkamp added a team-high 17 points and Keith McLeod 12. Esterkamp had a few dunks as a result of BG's transition game.  
"As long as I can do it for the fans," Esterkamp said when asked about the dunks. "We were just cutting to the basket and Brandon [Pardon] and Keith [McLeod] found me twice and I just went up strong."  
**Bowling Green 96**  
**Buffalo 90**  
From a two-all tie at the begin-

ning of the game, BG scored 22 unanswered points to go up 24-2 by the 12:42 mark. All five of the Falcon starters scored in double figures and the win gave the Brown and Orange their third conference win in as many games.  
Buffalo outscored BG 11-5 to cut the Falcons lead to 46-33 at the half.  
The Falcons again regained control of the tempo out of the gates and extended their lead to 28 points at 8:56. But the Bulls would not die and fought the score to single digits for the first time in the second half with 2:53 remaining. However, the consistent free throw shooting by

BG in the final minute of the game gave the Falcons the surprisingly tough win.  
"I give a lot of credit to Buffalo for the way they played," Dakich said. "They could have quit but they didn't and we let up. We learned a lesson in almost losing this game."  
Esterkamp scored a team high 21 points and pulled down eight rebounds. Stacey and Matela both compiled 19 points and Matela completed his third double double of the season by adding 12 boards. Jackson and McLeod ended the night with 13 points respectively.  
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## Ditka out as New Orleans coach

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — Saints coach Mike Ditka was fired today along with his entire staff and the general manager following a 3-13 season.

Ditka had a 15-33 record in his three years with the Saints, including a 6-23 mark in the last 29 games.

Also dismissed was general manager Bill Kuharich in a housecleaning by Saints owner Tom Benson three days after the season ended.

"It was necessary to clear the slate," Benson said.

Benson returned a day early from a Florida vacation to make the moves.

"Bill rose through the ranks here to become president of the company," he said. "Mike Ditka is one of the greatest football people ever. Both men were tremendous contributors to our community."

"I'm sorry it didn't work out," Ditka said.

He said he would not coach again. The 60-year-old coach said he was sorry to be leaving, but he didn't fight to keep his job.

"There was no way. It was clear cut," Ditka said. "You're 3-13 and you bring in Ricky Williams and it doesn't work out. You got to be a realist."

Ditka said the decision caught him by surprise despite the record. He said he thought he and his staff would have another year.

The 45-13 loss to the Panthers on Sunday was the worst in Ditka's coaching career and wrapped up the seventh-straight season New Orleans has finished without a winning record.

Ditka gained fame during the 11 years he was the coach of the Chicago Bears. Under Ditka, Chicago dominated the NFC Central with 32

regular season victories between 1985-88. That was the most victories by an NFL team in any four-year period.

Ditka ranked second among Bears coaches in both tenure and victories. He coached the Bears to six NFC Central titles, three appearances in the NFC title game, and a Super Bowl victory in 1985. The Bears were 18-1 that year, and after the Super Bowl Ditka was named coach of the year.

After being fired by Chicago, Ditka worked as an NFL commentator and analyst on NBC for four years. He was hired by the Saints on Jan. 28, 1997, and Ditka immediately announced his plans to take the Saints to the Super Bowl. He said he planned to stock the team with high character players who would do what it took to win.

His first year was marked by sideline tantrums, yanking players out of games and even a threat to quit, which he rescinded later. The Saints were 6-10 and 6-10 in Ditka's first two years.

He went against conventional NFL wisdom in his third year with the Saints, trading every draft pick and first- and third-round picks in 2000 to get Williams, the Heisman Trophy winning running back.

He maintained close ties with Chicago, where he ran a restaurant and returned frequently, among other things to sing the national anthem for the Cubs twice.

Ditka, who played in five Pro Bowls and two league championships (1963 and 1971) and a Super Bowl during his NFL playing career with the Dallas Cowboys, was the first tight end to be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. He was the NFL rookie of the year in 1961.

Ditka was also an assistant coach with Dallas in 1977.

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