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**HUMOR CONTEST:**  
Who would win in a fight? Scuba Steve or Professor Tinker; PAGE 3

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**TRIP TO REMEMBER:** Greek men and women joined forces to help out at a camp for chronically ill kids.

## Greeks volunteer at camp

By Carrie Whitaker  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

While many students and community members alike watched the Super Bowl this weekend 12 University students spent their weekend in Florida volunteering at a camp for children with chronic illnesses.

These members of the Greek Community took a trip to Boggy Creek Camp in Eustis, Fla., one hour north of Orlando.

Tim Duffin, of the Interfraternity Council, coordi-

nated the trip this year with the help of Elizabeth Mulhall of Panhellenic Council. Both are community service chairs of their organizations.

This was Duffin's third trip to Boggy Creek.

"I love the camp so much, I just want to spread this opportunity and get as many people down there to experience it as possible," Duffin said.

The camp is offered to children with chronic illnesses and their families free of charge. Each

weekend children with a specific illness are invited.

This weekend was a camp for children with cancer. The 12 students are from six sororities and six fraternities on campus.

"It was amazing, the children were having so much fun it was hard to tell that they were even sick," Mulhall said. "It was sad to think that some of them may not have a year to live."

The camp is good for the children because it helps them escape from their normal lives

and gives an opportunity for each child to get one-on-one attention, Mulhall said.

"This has been a chance for me to be amazed by the life and spirit that children have in their hearts," Panhellenic Council President Tracy LaHote said. "Being around the kids at Boggy Creek really helped me re-focus on what I care about in life and why."

LaHote said her job description was "family-pal". The job includ-

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## Timing behavior tested in study

By Monica Frost  
REPORTER

A joint research project between the psychology departments of Bowling Green State University and Ohio State University are studying perceptual and motor timing in children and adults.

The primary purpose of the study is to better understand the changes that occur in perceptual-motor timing across the lifespan of an individual.

Many would ask however, what exactly are perceptual-motor timing skills?

"Perceptual and motor timing skills permit an individual to coordinate their behavior with events in the environment," said Dr. Devin McAuley, an assistant professor of psychology at the University. McAuley is one of the primary investigators in the study.

"A good example of perceptual and motor timing is dancing," McAuley said. "To dance to music you have to both perceive the beat of music and coordinate your movements to match it."

According to McAuley, one reason it is important to understand developmental changes in timing behavior is because it is easier to identify and characterize timing disorders, such as Parkinson's disease or Attention Deficit and Hyperactive Disorder.

Before timing disorders can

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## D.L. Hughley brings laugh to University

Comedian and actor Hughley was a part of the "Original Kings of Comedy".

Scott Niles  
Reporter

Last night the Lenhart Grand Ballroom was jammed full of people waiting in anticipation for an evening of laughter.

D.L. Hughley, a comedian and actor who is well known for his "Original Kings of Comedy" acts, as well as other significant performances, lit up the stage in the ballroom with humor that kept the crowd gasping for air.

Hughley's stand up act consists of everything from "Politics to Pussy" he said.

"The world fuels my views and my acts come from my views. I take the daily world and see if I can make some humor out of it" Hughley said.

Hughley did talk about everything from "Politics to Pussy" too. He cracked jokes left and right about racial profiling, growing up in a poor neighborhood and having to wear "a dish towel with a duck on it for Halloween."

"I love speaking at colleges especially because young people are always willing to learn"

Hughley said, "What amazes me even more is that people pay to hear me speak. I take everyday issues and make them humorous, that's all I do and people come to listen to me."

At certain points throughout the night Hughley picked on people from the crowd, humorously harassing and cracking on their majors, where they were from and the psychedelic shirts they were sporting.

He even made took a white member of the audience and made him a brother. He taught him how to talk ebonics and shorten words.

"Black people don't have that much time to talk when being questioned by the police" Hughley said teasing the white man he had brought to

the stage. Many people in the audience enjoyed the fact that he pick on one group in general.

"He did not discriminate on just one group, he made fun of all groups as well as himself" said Brian McGhee, a junior.

Hughley was very good at not being offensive.

Jessica Heck, who was here visiting a friend said "I liked how he kept it real. I also liked how he took current events, and instead of bitching about them he added humor and enlightenment to each topic."

*"I love speaking at colleges especially because young people are always willing to learn"*

D.L. HUGHLEY, COMEDIAN



Amanda Keegan BG News

**Ready for some Standup:** D.L. Hughley entertained this audience in Lenhart Grand Ballroom last night. The show which lasted one hour and 15 minutes and was sold out.

Some other audience members agree that Hughley's humor was not only real but in our everyday lives.

"I enjoyed being able to relate to what he was saying" said Chris Ruiz De Velasco, a freshman, who considers herself a stand up comic buff.

All aspect of the show provided humor and seriousness in a

way that was funny but where people could also relate.

"I still get nervous when I perform" Hughley said "But you guys were great. I love performing acts at colleges."

Opening for D.L. Hughley was a comedian by the name of Ken Leslie. His act was full of sexual humor, feminine orgasms and lots of leg humping. At one

point he even lit up a cigarette on stage.

"Walking into this act I knew I was at a college" Hughley said "College's are challenging because you have a lot of young people and you have to hit them where their at. I can't do my club act at a college, I just got be able to let them relate to what I am talking about."

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## Program will build leadership skills

By Joel Hammond  
MANAGING EDITOR

The University's Office of Campus Involvement has begun its application process for Leadershape, a renown leadership program it puts on every summer.

The program is reserved for 50 of the University's up-and-coming student leaders, and takes them to Cleveland for six days at the beginning of the summer to build their leadership skills.

Bowling Green's campus-

based Leadershape Institute was founded by Kevin Bailey, an associate dean of students in the Office of Campus Involvement. The campuses are affiliated with Leadershape, Inc., which hosts a national version of the institute each summer. Bailey participated in one of those national sessions a few years back, and decided he wanted to bring it to the University.

Each year, the University's version of the program has gotten bigger. Bailey said that 26 stu-

dents participated the first year and 32 last year. He hopes for at least 40 this time around.

"The program is a six-day leadership experience, but it's unlike any other, in that it is six days long, and it's about teaching leadership skills for a lifetime," Bailey said. "I use the cliché of 'Give me a fish and I'll eat for a day; teach me how to fish, and I'll eat for a lifetime.'"

Bailey described each day as having its own theme, and every subsequent day building upon

the previous one.

"We hope that by the end of the week, everyone involved has a plan to implement what they've learned in something they care about," Bailey said. "My plan was to bring Leadershape to BGSU."

Kevin Kelly, a recent graduate of the University who facilitated numerous leadership programs on campus, including Leaders in Residence, Advanced Leaders in Residence and the Peer Leadership Council, said that the experience gave him skills he is

using today.

"I am learning all over again," he said. "My life has placed me in completely new circumstances, and I find myself using many of the skills I learned at Leadershape to drive my future. I have been chasing my dreams, which is something Leadershape encourages."

Kelly said he plans to be involved nationally with Leadershape, and is already a member of the Leadershape Alumni Association.

Other faculty will make appearances during the week, including Vice President Edward Whipple, Assistant Vice President Wanda Overland and other University faculty who facilitate small-group sessions throughout the week.

In addition, Leadershape, Inc. provides two persons to facilitate the large group sessions that take place during the week.

Students who have participat-

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The four-day forecast is taken from weather.com

#### SATURDAY



Snow Flurries  
High: 33°  
Low: 28°

#### SUNDAY



Rain Showers  
High: 40°  
Low: 40°

#### MONDAY



Light Rain  
High: 47°  
Low: 22°

#### TUESDAY



Mostly Cloudy  
High: 27°  
Low: 6°

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# BGSU students help kids

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ed being matched with a 10-year-old boy and his family and participating in activities with them.

"I made sure that the family enjoyed themselves and helped keep their minds off of the fact that one of them was very ill," LaHote said.

For Duffin the thrill for him was not only seeing the children having fun, but also watching his

fellow peers enjoy their experience.

"One of the greatest experiences was seeing the people's reactions that hadn't been to Boggy Creek before and getting to be a part of their experience," Duffin said.

Three years ago Kappa Alpha Order was the first group from Bowling Green to go to Boggy Creek Camp. They have since gone every year. Duffin took his

first trip with Kappa Alpha three years ago. Being involved in the Air Force, Duffin organized a trip last year with them.

Lahote was excited that the Panhellenic and Interfraternal communities could join together and take this trip.

"This joint service experience was a baby step in the right direction because one of the basic values of all fraternities and sororities is service," Lahote said.

Boggy Creek was created by the Boggy Creek Gang and was founded by Paul Newman, General H. Norman Schwarzkopf, Ted Forstmann, Jim & Jan Moran, Gracia Anderson, David Horvitz, and Lawrence & Florence DeGeorge. The Boggy Creek Gang is an expansion of the original Hole In The Wall Gang Camp, located in Ashford, Connecticut.

# Study to examine motor timing skills

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be characterized however, "we really need to get a better handle on what normal developmental profiles look like," McAuley said. "That is what this project is about."

In addition to perceptual-motor timing, researchers have also been studying the impulsivity, mood and spatial skills of their participants. This is in order to examine their relationships with perceptual motor-timing.

The study has been conducted over the past two years and has surveyed approximately 300 participants ranging in the ages of 4-80.

All participants received a free hearing screening and \$25.

Participants in the study came from Bowling Green, Toledo and other surrounding areas. Letters were sent to local schools and advertisements were placed around Bowling Green explaining the need for participants.

"Word of mouth played a lot into it," Nathan Miller, a graduate student and assistant to the study of two years, said.

"This is the first study [in perceptual-motor timing] to look at several different tasks across such a wide range of ages, making it a really important developmental study," Shayla Holub, a graduate student and assistant to the study, said.

Both children and adults that participated in the study were given a series of tasks to test three specific skills.

One skill was the participant's ability to perceive and produce specific durations, such as being able to imitate a clapping

rhythm. A second skill tested was the ability to synchronize movements as well as adjust and correct responses.

The third test was to determine whether people prefer a fast or slow speed when given the choice to listen to a range of speeds, and if they could recognize their preferred speed while listening to a range of speeds.

Tests for children were revised forms of adult tests. They were made to be more colorful and interactive, so as to hold the child's attention.

According to the researchers, both children and adults were enthusiastic about participating.

"Adults were interested in what we were doing," Miller said. "I think they had a good time."

Although the interviewing process is not complete, some general observations have been made concerning developmental changes in perceptual-motor timing skills.

Some of these findings include that as children get older their favorite speed slows down, and they are also able to synchronize their actions better and within a larger range.

Another finding is that there is very little decline in performance for older adults.

"Simple perceptual and motor timing skills are done almost as well as young adults," McAuley said.

McAuley and fellow researchers hope to be done collecting data at the end of the semester and will analyze and write reports on all of their formal findings this summer.

# Leaders learn through session

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ed in the program before seem to have taken to it well.

"Leadershape was one of the most unique experiences I have ever had," Jenn Macali, a resident advisor in McDonald, said. "It is hard to describe to someone who has never experienced it for themselves. I can say that it helped me become a better leader and develop as a person greatly."


Liz Maxson, another past participant and RA in McDonald, agreed.

"It is an amazing experience," she said. "It is a week-long intensive training program that allows to learn from others and develop your leadership skills and potential. During the week, you develop a vision for something you are passionate about and then plan the action you are going to take to accomplish it. It is a very rewarding experience, and you transform into a different person then you were before."

Applications are being accepted until Feb. 7.

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# CAMPUS

## Ohio University using electric-powered cars

**ATHENS, Ohio (AP)** — Some Ohio University workers are getting a funny look these days when they drive around campus. The university has bought five small electric vehicles called Global Electric Motorcars. The vehicles resemble golf carts and are being used for short trips around campus.

# get a life

The calendar of events is taken from <http://events.bgsu.edu>

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Direct Pressure: A Collective of the Print Society of BGSU**  
Union Galleries

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
**The Contemporary Landscape...**  
This exhibition will explore several approaches to the question of why the landscape continues to be a compelling subject in the new millennium. It features work by sever-

al of the foremost contemporary landscape painters working today.  
*Dorothy Uber Bryan Gallery*

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
**Wake Up Little Susie: Pregnancy and Power before Roe vs. Wade**  
A three-dimensional mixed-media collaborative installation by artists Cathleen Meadows, Kay Obering and Kathy Hutton on the theme of pregnancy and race between 1945

and 1965.  
*Willard Wankelman Gallery*

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
**Warnings: an Exhibit by Lisa Link**  
*Willard Wankelman Gallery*

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
**Dance Marathon Catering Committee Table**  
*Student Union*

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
**Love Unlimited Cabaret Ticket Sales**  
Sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.  
*Union Lobby*

Noon - 2 p.m.  
**Noon Tunes**  
Sponsored by the Bowen-Thompson Student Union.  
*Student Union Falcon's Nest*

Noon - 4 p.m.  
**ANO Promotion**  
Anime in Northwest Ohio will be promoting their film screenings.  
*Union Lobby*

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
**CRU Pipeline Meeting**  
*Proust Chapel*

3:30 p.m.  
**Guest lecture with author and**

**musician Abram Loft**  
Abram Loft, former second violist in the Fine Arts Quartet, musicologist and former chair of the string department at the Eastman School of Music, will be speaking about his new book titled, "How to Survive in Chamber Music."  
*Kennedy Green Room, Moore Musical Arts Center*

4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
**Empowerment Group**  
For women survivors of abusive dating relationships. This student support group is a space for women at all stages of recovery to discuss their experiences and the patterns of abuse, explore safety options, facilitate healing and learn to recognize cues to potentially abusive behaviors and relationships. Confidentiality is emphasized. Sponsored by The Transformation Project. Please

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5 p.m.  
**International Travel Grant Forms Deadline**  
This is the deadline for the submission of International Travel Grant Forms for students studying abroad during summer 2003, fall semester 2003 and/or spring semester 2004.  
*Center for International Programs, 11th Floor Offenauer West*

11 p.m.  
**UAO Movie - My Big Fat Greek Wedding**  
*Union Theatre*

# MAKE KEANU REEVES LAUGH

## SPRING HUMOR CONTEST

By Sean Stearley

It was after five on a Sunday at Toledo's Car Stereo One. Though closed, the parking lot still housed two automobiles: a forest green Saturn Ion, operated by a man in a scuba outfit, and a white Dodge Ram littered with 3rd grade drawings on the side. The van's owner, dressed in a white lab coat and curly wig, stepped out and gestured toward his competitor. Yes friends, the infamous 'Scuba Steve' and Bowling Green's very own 'Professor Tinker' were in the parking lot that day. They were not, however, there for consumer reasons. Oh, no. The two unchallenged emperors of the homegrown commercial industry were together in that parking lot for one reason: blood.

As Scuba Steve flopped his way over to his nemesis, he practiced his words over and over - trying

to conceive a way he could rephrase them to sound more irksome. Professor Tinker, as he ran giggling in rampant circles, had no clue what he was doing.

Approximately twenty-eight minutes later, these perpetrators of cheese managed to steer themselves into the lot's center. Both were able to restrain all catch phrases and gimmicks long enough to glare in one another's eyes with raw hatred. Scuba Steve was the first to break the silence. "TV Land isn't big enough for the both of us, P-Tinky. I was making annoying commercials back when you were still a test tube. Best move on, unless you want to be slashed lower than my prices," he said revealing a harpoon.

Professor Tinker, with a fanatically long trademark sentence,

replied "I-got-so-many-gadgets-and-tinkers-you-won't-know-what-to-do-with-all-your-toys-and-my-prices-are-so-low-Tony-Danza-is-sweet-so-better-come-to-the-workshop-before-l-uhmmm...Damn you, Scuba Steve!!!" And with those sadistic words, the battle commenced.

Scuba Steve was the first to strike, plunging his harpoon into Professor Tinker's afro-wig. The wig's black curls, which were made in China, rendered the harpoon useless as they encompassed the weapon's edge. Professor Tinker jerked violently to the side, snapping the entire blade off the underwater spear. Reaching into his lab coat, he retrieved the Gary Coleman action figure, now \$5.99 for a lim-



Sean Stearley Photo provided

ited time only, and ferociously began pressing his 'extendochop' button. The action figure's extendo-chop began hacking into Scuba Steve's chest, almost penetrating his wetsuit as it asked repeatedly, "Whachoo talkin'

'bout, Willis?"

Scuba Steve was hurting more than the ears of all who have heard one of his ads. He reached into his secret-scuba-pocket, pulled out a pair of car amplifiers and quickly linked them together with a strand of speaker wire, creating a pair of hi-fi nunchucks. Scuba Steve twirled his stereo of destruction into the Gary Coleman action figure, smashing him into pieces easier to swallow than micro machines.

"I hope you saved your receipt," scoffed Scuba Steve. "Because that toy isn't that only thing 'bout to get broke around here." With warning, a yo-yo fell out of Professor Tinker's sleeve. And faster than an A.D.D. child with a mouth full of gummy bears, the Professor walked the

dog, rocked the cradle, and then went around the world and into Scuba's skull!

Dazed by the Duncan Devastator, just \$2.99 with the purchase of another item of equal or lesser value, Scuba Steve unzipped his wet suit, exposing a pair of subwoofers molded to his torso. "Time to give you a good bass kicking, Professor Tinkle...but don't worry, installation is free!" Scuba Steve hit the switch and painful sound waves, via J-Timberlake, break-danced their way into Professor Tinker's eardrums. Tinker dropped to his knees in agony, which Scuba Steve thought to be completely justified.

"You are the silly putty in my hair, Scuba Suck, but I got the

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QUOTE UNQUOTE

*"It's the connotation. No one wants to be part of the mark of the beast."*

CARLENE LIGHT, an office worker at Kentucky Mountain Bible college, on why the nondenominational Christian college is fighting to change its telephone number prefix, 666, to a second prefix, 693, that was recently added to the area after all the 666 numbers were taken.

(newsweek.com)

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# OPINION

## Service needs more recognition

A lot of people enjoyed the Super Bowl this past Sunday. Plenty of chips were eaten and beer was drunk. However, twelve Bowling Green State University students decided to forego the pleasure of Super Bowl parties. Instead, these students spent the weekend volunteering in Florida at a camp for children with chronic illnesses.

We here at **The BG News** applaud all students who take time out of their social lives to

help those in need. University students across the United States have a nasty reputation of being class skippers and binge drinkers. It is time that people recognize the charitable side of college students.

There are plenty of organizations that do good deeds, but they simply go unnoticed due to small membership rosters. Everyone has heard of Dance Marathon and Habitat for Humanity, right? Anyone ever

heard of Alpha Phi Omega, Omega Phi Alpha, Circle K International, Volunteers in Progress, Reachout, POETS? These are also organizations that are dedicated to service.

These are great organizations that help out a lot of people. The projects do not always involve saving a child or building a homeless person a house in which to live. Some of the projects deal with volunteering as girl scout/boy scout lock-in chap-

erones, day-care helpers, elves for Santa and so on.

These projects do not seem like much, but they really do make a difference. The aforementioned service groups help people in need. If someone needs 50 volunteers to scare children at a haunted boardwalk in 30 degree weather, then one of these organizations will be there. The projects are not done on a large scale, but they are just as important.

Even the social sororities and fraternities on campus do service projects. Each fraternity and sorority holds a philanthropy every semester. The proceeds go to a charity of their choice. For this, they deserve some positive recognition for a change.

However, no one has to be in a service organization to do good deeds. You don't have to be in a service organization to do good deeds. The Office of Campus Involvement offers a long list of

volunteer opportunities.

The point is, students should get more recognition for their good deeds. So join a service organization, volunteer for an organization, or simply make someone's life more enjoyable by doing something nice for them. Heck, do all three!

For more information: <http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/ai/getinvolved/comservice.html>

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Transsexual issues need more attention

I would like to respond to Sara Firestine's letter to the Editor (30 Jan.) regarding the nature of transsexuality and the identity of Uptown Drag Night performer Rebecca Richards.

Although I do not know Ms. Richards personally, it is my understanding from talking with people who do know her that she is a transsexual woman who is undergoing hormone treatment and living full-time as a woman. Referring to such a transsexual woman as "he" or "cross-dresser," as Firestine does, is disrespectful and inaccurate.

Furthermore, Firestine states that "he [sic] will not be a transsexual until surgical procedures are completed." This, too, is inaccurate. Transsexuality is not a result of surgery; it is a condition that begins at birth. Indeed, many transsexuals feel that they are no longer transsexual after the surgery.

I do believe that it is accurate to say that a transsexual is born with characteristics of both sexes, much like an intersexed individual. While an intersexed person is born with genitals that are ambiguous or may have characteristics of both sexes; transsexuals are born with a brain that does not match their genitalia.

Recent research suggests that transsexuality may be the result of the timing of hormone flows during fetal development. The first hormone flow, which occurs early in fetal development, triggers genital differentiation. A second burst of hormones, which occurs months later, affects brain development. Variations in these hormone flows may cause a person to have male genitalia and a more "female" brain, or vice-versa.

Yet, brain gender is not a clear-

cut binary division. Many males have gentle, nurturing, and intuitive qualities, while many females have assertive, non-maternal, and analytical traits.

For the transsexual, the mismatch between their innate personality and their expected gender role is just too much. Many transsexuals struggle with this for decades before gathering the resolve and determination to deal with their condition.

I am glad to see this discussion of transsexual issues in **The BG News** and I hope that it will result in increased awareness and understanding in the University community.

**MAARJA VIGORITO**  
STUDENT

### Get out of your rooms, enjoy the weather

Do you hate winter? Do you hate feeling cooped up inside because it is so uncomfortable and dreary outside? Think you might have Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)? Have you lived in Ohio long?

I know about Ohio weather because I have lived here all my life. I used to hate winter, too, for all the above reasons. So when I read **The BG News** front page article, "Sunlight affects winter mood," I knew I had to respond and share a solution that has worked for several people including myself. Try it for yourself to see if it works for you, but I believe that play rather than therapy is a more enjoyable solution for beating the winter blahs.

Those horrible winter blahs used to visit me just about every year for the first 16 years of my life. After the second snow of the season, I would become lethargic and irritable. It would last from November until April.

That was: until I joined my

high school's downhill ski club my sophomore year. Joining the ski club changed my life in countless ways. One of the greatest things the experience gave me was a love for winter.

I fell in love with skiing the first time I went. For the first time, I had a fun winter weather activity that I could do on a regular basis. I finally found a reason to be excited about going outside in the cold and my response to forecasts of snowy weather changed from "no way" to "yay."

When was the last time you went sledding (or trying - you know what I mean)? Had a snowball fight with your friends? Made snow-angels? Tried to build an igloo? Gone downhill or cross-country skiing? Ice-skated outside on a real lake? (please don't skate on a pond unless you know that the ice is at least four inches thick and there are no watery-looking spots on the surface or edges). Snow-shoed? Winter-camped? Went ice-fishing? Gone snow-mobiling? Remember when winter was fun - when you were a kid?

"But - but - it's so cold outside!" I can hear someone saying it right now. It's only cold if you don't have the right gear. Items such as waterproof down-filled coats, ski pants, warm-up pants, boots and gloves should serve to keep you extra warm and keep out melted snow which can make an outside excursion even colder.

When I don my ski pants, down-filled coat, sweatshirt, ski mask, and my Kombi ski gloves, I can stay outside for hours on end in 20 degree weather.

So get bundled up - and let's see some snow men around campus this weekend! How about a party of snow men enjoying some ice-cold drinks around their igloo? It's up to you. Hope to see you outside!

**SHELLY BYLICA**  
STUDENT

### PEOPLE ON THE STREET

How did you first react to the recent hoax that Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen were planning on attending BG?



**JASON BYERLY**  
SOPHOMORE  
CONSTRUCTION MGMT.  
*"I locked myself in the bathroom."*



**BORIS YANOVSKY**  
FRESHMAN  
INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS  
*"I looked up their birthdays to make sure they were legal."*



**CHRIS PAULIK**  
JUNIOR, NONE  
*"Double the pleasure, double the fun."*



**BETH FERRIS**  
SOPHOMORE  
INTERIOR DESIGN  
*"You guys are all pervs."*

### Puns are mightier than assault rifles



**MATT SUSSMAN**  
Humor Columnist

The other day, I was skimming the **Albanian** newspapers, as it is part of my daily routine. Something I came across inspired me. Apparently a famous comedian in Albania named Sejfulla Myftari was car-jacked, but he escaped by making the robbers laugh uproariously. The bandits told Myftari to drive away so they could capture the next car.

Two things came to mind. First of all, how would you like to be the car that was actually hijacked? Second, I have figured out how to stop all the fighting in the world.

I know, it seems crazy, but I am definitely sure I can achieve world peace. I haven't tried it out or asked anyone else's opinion, but I am going out on a limb and say that I can end every war currently going on and prevent any future war from ever happening.

You see, we've been going at this conflict thing all wrong. We shouldn't have to slay our fellow man just because they have a different skin color, talk funny or have dynamite strapped to their torso. Bullets and bayonets merely puncture their funny bone; not tickle it. You shouldn't disperse angry mobs with tear gas and knee knockers. They really hurt. Just ask Ohio State University students. Pain doesn't prevent nor deter chaos. What we need is the refreshing power of comedy.

If you haven't noticed, we have a lot of funny people in this country. We have almost as many comedians as we have Starbucks. We have five late night talk shows on network television. Realistically, you can only watch two without a vcr. Stand-up comics are competing for jobs in bars, clubs and Comedy Central specials. Do we really need all this laughter? Once you watch several reruns of "Kids in the Hall," what's next? Sejfulla Myftari's own late night talk show?

Right now the buzz around the nation is whether or not we should attack Iraq. The citizens are split: should we or should we not deploy forces to the Middle East? I say we should.

We should send our forces out to all troubled parts of the Mideast and fire at will. The forces will be our army of comedians and the ammunition will be well-timed puns, one-liners and limericks. Our offense should be considered the fifth main branch of our military, called the "Comic Reserve."

The world has tried non-violent intervention before, and it has failed miserably. Going to a Catholic high school, I know all about the missionaries set up by the Society of Jesus, better known as the Jesuits. I know they tried converting the Native Americans of both North and South America, and were mercilessly killed. I know of the tragic death of Archbishop Oscar Romero, a major proponent for international intervention, who was gunned down during a mass.

For every dead Jesuit, there is a school named after him. We have been going about non-violence all wrong. Religion isn't the way to calm them down; most of the major wars in the history of the world were based on religion! Ending war with religion is like extinguishing a wildfire using lighter fluid. You are only adding to the problem.

Comedy is universal. We all enjoy more or less the same brands of humor. This is the message the "Comic Reserve" would relay to all corners of the globe. We would send these fine humorous soldiers into turbulent regions to share the gift of humor.

Perhaps it could be as simple as giving a Bosnian orphan child a pair of fake moustache glasses. Perhaps comic infantry could travel across Somalia performing sketch comedy. If that doesn't work, we may have to use our secret weapon. Yes, that's right, I'm talking about Carrot Top.

All these countries need is a little humor in their lives. Judging from all the commotion, they have no sense of humor. The "Comic Reserve" would be here to establish a strong sense of humor within dictators and despots. I never thought I would say this, but we can all learn from Albania.

Just make 'em laugh. If that doesn't work, then nuke 'em.



Too Big For His Material Breaches...

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## Falcons face OU, Miami in MAC test

By Melanie Menz  
SPORTS REPORTER

The Bowling Green women's swimming and diving teams face their toughest dual meet of the season on Saturday in Oxford, Ohio. It comes with less than 29 days until the Mid-American Conference Championships. It will be a true test to see how far the swimmers and divers have come.

The Falcons will take on Miami of Ohio and Ohio University in a dual meet of some of the strongest teams in the MAC. Miami and Ohio have been battling each other for first place in the MAC all season. They each have perfect records of 4-0 when battling other teams in the division, and the Falcons will take them on at the same time.

Miami was last year's MAC champion, and they have been headed in the right direction ever since. With a record of 10-3, the Red Hawks are not suffering many disappointing losses. Head coach Dave Jennings is in his 20th season, with an overall record of 70-21. Their last victory came in Huntington, West Virginia, 149-127, to extend their winning streak. One swimmer that has been placing first in almost every event that she has been swimming lately is Katie Miles. With a 1:00.81 in the 100-yard backstroke and a 2:11.29 in the 200-yard backstroke, she will be one swimmer that Bowling Green will have to worry about.

Ohio University is coming off of one of their most remarkable seasons yet. After losing their first meet of the season to Ohio State, they have won their last seven and have compiled an overall record of 7-1. Their last meet was against Denison, where they swam away with a 141-97 victory. Ohio is led by captain Trisha Kessler this season, who was first team All MAC last season and is improving her times as the year progresses. She currently holds a time of 1:53.36 in the 200-yard freestyle event and a 2:06.43 in the 200-yard backstroke event.

The Falcons might seem to be the underdog of this dual meet, but don't count them out just yet. Their times are comparable to Miami's times and Ohio's times. In the 400 medley relay event Tina Sestan, Sarah Agnew, Dana Schultz and Stephanie Buckner posted a time of 4:03.05, which is a second faster than Miami and only 3 seconds slower than Ohio's best relay time. That is also the case with Kelley O'Hara in the 200-yard freestyle event. Her fastest time in the event is 1:55.70.

BG diver Ryan Donley placed third in the one-meter diving event last weekend in Bowling Green with 223.75 points. Emily Hois finished right behind her teammate in the event with 210.10 points, good for fourth place. Molly Peterson finished seventh in the event with 196.90 points.

In the three-meter diving event, Donley placed fifth with 200.95 points while Lindsay Hines posted a 191.30 score for eighth place.

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## Icers travel to Nebraska

By Erica Gambaccini  
SPORTS EDITOR

After a break last weekend, the Bowling Green hockey team resumes action tonight against the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

"What Omaha was able to accomplish last weekend was pretty impressive, to take two games from Ohio State, after what we witnessed in Ohio State, as what we thought was one of the top teams in the country," BG head coach Scott Paluch

said.

The Falcons faced the Buckeyes two weeks ago and dropped the two-game series (6-3, 6-1). However, BG is also coming into this contest with a win under their belt after defeating Wayne State 4-3 on Jan. 21.

The Falcons come into tonight with a 6-15-2 overall record and a 3-12-2 record in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association, for a No. 11 ranking in the conference. With Omaha's victory over the Buckeyes, they are now

10-13-3 overall and 8-11-1 in the CCHA, which puts them in eighth place in the CCHA standings.

"They swept Ohio State, so they are on a little bit of a roll and they are getting one of the best defensemen in the league back, but they are not too far ahead of us in the standings. This is a pretty pivotal weekend for us going into the last 11 games of the season," captain D'Arcy McConvey said.

UNO has been a tough team

to beat at home with a 5-1-1 record in their last seven home games.

"We certainly know that they are a very good team after what they accomplished last weekend, but more importantly they have such a real good home ice advantage," Paluch said. "They are a team that plays with a crowd well and they are able to come at you in waves and generate momentum with their crowd. It's going to be a great road weekend."

Along with being a tough team to beat at home, they also have a tough goalie in Dan Ellis. Ellis was named the CCHA Defensive Player of the Week this week after stopping 73 of 74 shots faced last weekend, notching his seventh career shutout against the Buckeyes.

Ellis is in his third year and, according to Paluch, he has been one of the top goalies in the league for his first two and head-

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## First place on the line at CMU



Ben Swanger BG News

**COLLISION:** Bowling Green center Kevin Netter tries to drive past an Akron defender in a recent game. Netter and the Falcons will try to hold on to first place in the MAC West this weekend.

By Erik Cassano  
SPORTS REPORTER

Who knew?

The Bowling Green basketball team, with a bevy of youngsters and inexperience to spare, is about to play a pressure game in February.

First place will be on the line tomorrow when the Falcons travel to Central Michigan for a 2 p.m. game. BG heads into the game 10-7 overall, 6-3 in the MAC, and a half-game ahead of the Chippewas (12-5, 5-3 MAC).

For BG, the only thing consistent about the past several weeks has been their inconsistency. Big wins over Kent and Akron, and a comeback overtime thriller at Ohio, have been tempered by crash-and-burn losses to Western Michigan and Northern Illinois, the latter their first home loss in nearly a year.

As any contending team begins making the final turn for the season's home stretch, games become more critical. For BG, a rebuilt David with an unknown quantity of ammo for their slingshot, it is especially true.

The MAC West is clogged at the top. One and a half games separate BG from fourth-place Western Michigan. BG lost an outright tiebreaker with third-place Northern Illinois by losing to them last weekend. With a loss to Western Michigan on Feb. 15, they would lose any tiebreaker with the Broncos.

A loss to Central Michigan

would render the same outcome. This is the only meeting of the year between the Falcons and Chippewas.

For the Falcons, a team finally free of the Kent-dominated MAC East, which cost them a division title last year, having your hand on the destiny controls for as long as possible is a big advantage. In the end, it may be the only advantage.

Central Michigan

The Chippewas come into tomorrow's game on a two-game losing streak, losing at Eastern Michigan and Kent in the past week.

Central Michigan did just about everything they could do at Kent without winning, however. That's a mouthful considering Kent's only conference loss to date came at the hands of BG earlier in the month.

Mike Manciel and Chris Kaman both broke the 20-point barrier in the 82-78 loss. Kaman added 10 rebounds for a double-double. It was his second straight 20/10 game.

When you talk about Central Michigan basketball, you talk about Kaman. The junior center is rivaled perhaps only by BG's Kevin Netter for the best middle man in the MAC West. He is averaging 18.5 points, 12 rebounds, and three blocked shots per game.

Kaman was named one of the MAC players of the week Jan. 27.

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Ben Swanger BG News

**IN THE PAINT:** Bowling Green forward Karen Stocz moves toward the basket for two points in a recent game. The Falcons will look to get back on track this weekend when Northern Illinois comes to BG.

## WMU's defense stops BG

By Zach Baker  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Bowling Green women's basketball coach Curt Miller said he knows there will be games like Wednesday's 75-51 loss to Western Michigan.

"As you build a program, you know you're not going to win them all," Miller said. "We're certainly not as talented as some of these teams, especially on their home floor."

Western Michigan, who is in first place in the Mid-American Conference West Division with a 5-0 conference record, dominated the game by forcing BG into 25 turnovers. Miller said that the Broncos' aggressive defense was a major factor in the loss, and that the turnovers were the key statistic.

"Our turnovers killed us," Miller said. "We felt like we prepared correctly, and were really disappointed that we couldn't execute better against their

zone."

Miller said the turnovers took away the team's ability to get in the game. The team shot 9-20 from behind the three point line, but Miller said they did not get enough offensive opportunities because of turnovers.

"When you limit your possessions against a talented team, you hurt yourself," Miller said. "We shot the ball okay when we got shots off, we just didn't get enough shots off."

Miller said he was also disappointed in the BG offense, which shot 18-49 from the field. The Falcon starters were held to 15 total points.

"We did not execute at all offensively," Miller said.

Still, Miller said he was able to take some positives from the game. He was impressed with the play of the BG bench. Marisa Smith led the team with 14 points, and Sakima Smith was second on the team with

10.

"We got a lot of good contributions from our bench from multiple people," Miller said. "Marisa Smith had a great night, Britt Anderson sparked us early, and Sakima Smith scored down the stretch and didn't back down from their big post players."

The Broncos were led on offense by guard Casey Rost, who scored 23 points. Miller said that BG did a fairly good job of containing Rost, who is the second leading scorer in the conference.

"Our philosophy is always to have role players beat you, and to try to contain their best players," Miller said. "Our focus was on her, and we held her in check for the majority of the game before she got free late."

The loss dropped the Falcons to 2-4 in the MAC. The Falcons' next game is on Saturday against Northern Illinois at

Anderson Arena. The Huskies are 4-3 in the conference.

Miller said one of BG's goals in the game will be to stop Huskie forward Jennifer Youngblood, who is averaging 14.4 points and 8.3 rebounds a game.

"You have got to go in trying to contain Jennifer Youngblood," Miller said. "She's more physically dominating than any player that we have down low, so we will have to guard her with multiple people."

Miller said it's also important for students to come out to Saturday's 1 p.m. game, and that the support could really help the Falcons.

"I want to encourage the student body to come out to the game Saturday," Miller said. "We have played well at home...and I'd like to encourage the fans to come out and continue to support the program."

# Omaha goalie will challenge BG

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ing into this year.

"He's a goalie that's extremely quick going side from side," Paluch said. "He's unique in that he's a goalie who, one, plays very good positionally, but he's also capable of making a lot of acrobatic saves. He's one who does whatever it takes to keep the puck out of the net."

Since Ellis is so acrobatic, the Falcons are going to have to find new ways to get the puck past him.

"You have to get a lot of pucks at him, you have to get a lot of people in front of him and make it difficult for him to see the puck," Paluch said. "You have to jam home a lot of rebounds and make it a game that is difficult for him to see what he's trying to stop."

Ellis, however, isn't the only player the Falcons are going to have to worry about this weekend.

"When they are healthy, Omaha is certainly a team that has a lot of different elements in their team," Paluch said. "When you combine Danny Ellis in goal, Greg Zanon on defense and [David] Brisson up front, you have a real good combination right through your lineup. Three leaders at each position.

Guys, at that combination, that are as good as any team in the league."

Brisson leads the Mavericks with 11 goals and 10 assists for 21 total points so far this season. Zanon is right behind him with 19 points (4-15-19).

Zanon has been out the past few weeks with an injury, but he will be back in the lineup to face the Falcons tonight. According to Paluch, Zanon has been as good of a defenseman as there is in the league for the past two or three years.

"They have a lot of experience in their lineup," Paluch said. "They have guys that know how to win and guys that know how to win this time of year, which is important. When you look at their year, it's been kind of up and down with the injuries they have had, but they are starting to get healthy again."

**NOTES:**

Both Zanon and Ellis have been nominated for the Hobey Baker Memorial Award, college hockey's top individual prize. The award is hockey's equivalent of college football's Heisman Trophy.

So far the award is in its first phase, and both Zanon and Ellis have received votes at this point. However, the process is far from complete.

**BG SPORTS PICK OF THE WEEK**

This week we have with us the captain of the hockey team, D'Arcy McConvey. While the Falcon hockey team is in Omaha, Neb., Bobby Knight will work on earning his 800th career win this weekend.



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**D'ARCY MCCONVEY**  
Hockey Player

**Bowling Green at Central Michigan**

Prediction Score Rant

Bowling Green 72-56  
After beating Ohio in overtime, Falcons destroy Central.

Bowling Green 68-67  
Dakich gets win No. 100; Falcons win 4th straight at CMU

Bowling Green 74-68  
Netter is the man. He leads BG to the win.

Bowling Green 65-60  
Yao Ming couldn't stop Netter this night...

**No. 24 California at No. 1 Arizona**

Prediction Score Rant

Arizona 78-76  
Tight game in the Pac-10, but Arizona pulls out a victory.

Arizona 103-79  
As easy as stealing candy from a vending machine.

Arizona 80-69  
Just tell that wild-cat up front not to slow down though.

Arizona 92-84  
Dobek knows Cally can't compete.

**No. 11 Oklahoma State at No. 3 Texas**

Prediction Score Rant

Texas 74-68  
Great guard match-up; Ford against Williams and Allen.

Oklahoma State 77-73  
If OK State can stop Hollis Price, they can shut down T.J. Ford.

Texas 79-65  
Texas triumphs with big win at home.

Texas 85-83  
The Eater never gets enough Texas Steak.

**Michigan at Minnesota**

Prediction Score Rant

Michigan 80-76  
The Wolverines get back on the winning track.

Minnesota 70-68  
Maybe U of M will now go on a 13-game losing streak.

Minnesota 68-66  
Michigan will need access to a time machine to win.

Minnesota 86-80  
The streak is over, can't root for any Michigan sports.

**Northwestern at Ohio State**

Prediction Score Rant

Ohio State 73-59  
Northwestern has yet to win one in the Big Ten. Bucks win.

Ohio State 60-40  
Maybe Darby will score all 60 of the Buckeyes' points.

Ohio State 56-50  
Coach O'Brien won't let OSU fall to a winless team.

Northwestern 76-25  
Football is enough. Brew's hair pants can't be stopped.

**Texas Tech at Texas A&M**

Prediction Score Rant

Texas Tech 77-65  
Bobby Knight gets his 800th career win.

Texas Tech 89-87  
Tech wins in OT and Knight gets more respect.

Texas Tech 75-55  
Bobby Knight throws 800 chairs to celebrate win.

Texas Tech 77-73  
Knightly night A&M.

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# Dakich goes for win No. 100 against Central Mich.

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*Century mark*

A win tomorrow would be the 100th of coach Dan Dakich's BG career. He is 99-64 in five-plus seasons.

Ahead of Dakich on the BG all-time coaching win list are Harold Anderson (367), Jim

Larranaga (170), Paul Landis (156) and John Weinert (146).

Coincidentally, Bob Knight, whom Dakich played for and was an assistant coach under at Indiana, will be going for career win No. 800 this weekend. Knight's Texas Tech squad will play Texas A&M tomorrow night.

# OHSAA reviewing report James got free jerseys

By Tom Withers  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND — First it was LeBron James' Hummer. Now, it's his clothes.

Just a few days after James was cleared of any wrongdoing for accepting a sports utility vehicle as a gift, Ohio high school officials

reviewing a report he received complimentary clothing.

Last Saturday, James, the nation's top high school player, was apparently given two free "throwback" jerseys worth \$845 at a local clothing store. The story was first reported by The Plain Dealer. Ohio High School Athletic

Association bylaws state that an athlete forfeits his or her amateur status by "capitalizing on athletic fame by receiving money or gifts of monetary value."

OHSAA commissioner Clair Muscaro is aware of the report "and is reviewing it," said spokesman Bob Goldring.

On Monday, Muscaro ruled that James, a senior at St. Vincent-St. Mary, would not lose his eligibility for accepting a custom-made Hummer H2 vehicle — valued at over \$50,000 — as an 18th birthday gift from his mother. Gloria James provided loan information to support her purchase.

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Howard's Club H

10 p.m. (Doors open)  
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SUNDAY, FEB 2

11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
**Family Center-Romare Bearden Style Collages**  
Celebrate Black History Month by making a collage in the style of African-American artist Romare Bearden  
Toledo Museum of Art

2:30 p.m., L.C.  
**Public Tour: Toledo Treasures**  
Toledo Museum of Art

10 p.m. (Doors open)  
**Cider**  
Howard's Club H

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**Family Center-Romare Bearden Style Collages**  
Toledo Museum of Art

THURSDAY, FEB 6

10 a.m.-3 p.m.  
**Family Center-Romare Bearden Style Collages**  
Toledo Museum of Art

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Oval Opus  
Tinker's Punishment  
Howard's Club H

10 p.m. (Doors open)  
**Blue Dogs**  
Nate and Wally's

## Super Bowl ads try too hard

By Sean Corp  
PULSE WRITER

Another Super Bowl has come and gone, and with it a brand new batch of high-concept advertisements. While the game may have proven to be a let down, the commercials were more refreshing than they have been in years. So who were the big winners and losers of this year's gridiron classic?

**Winner:** Aging Rock Stars. Nostalgic rock stars proved en vogue this year as Ozzy Osbourne and Willie Nelson were able to milk their own troubles for laughs. Willie's ad for H & R Block features the musician shilling for a shaving cream company in a tongue-in-cheek reference to his own very real tax problems. Ozzy flexes his acting muscles playing up his fried, constantly confused, appearance surprised reaction to the horror of having the Osmonds as children.

**Loser:** CGL. A painful lesson we learn from watching some select super bowl commercials

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# Singing for Diversity

Inspiration and dedication bring harmony to the lips of gospel singers

With Black History Month just a day away, the University is gearing up for a month filled with events that offer cultural diversity. But one mainstay in the University's diversified lifestyle on campus is the Gospel Choir.

Throughout the school year the Gospel Choir puts on inspirational shows and spreads the word of hope through their blissful blending of melodic harmonies and peaceful lyrics. This year is no different.

The Gospel Choir was founded in 1970 by numerous graduate and undergraduate students along with the help of Reverend, Gergory D. Smith.

Leah Shaw, Public Relations Chair of the choir, believes that, the Gospel Choir has been an inspiration and thrives off of its message.

"We stand out because the members of the choir have a real passion for what we're singing about," Shaw said. "You can see it in the faces of not only the choir, but

everyone involved. The songs that we sing really mean something, and most times the songs give us inspiration to make it."

According to Vice president of the choir, Tiffany Tarpley, she agrees with Shaw but believes that the main misconception about the choir is that it is just for one race. "The choir is open to anyone and everyone that wants to join, not just the stereotypical idea of what a gospel choir is," she said.

The month ahead, the music that the choir performs is more of a contemporary style.

"We do sing the traditional songs with the traditional messages, but what we try to do is find contemporary artists, such as Kirk Franklin, so people can relate a little better," Tarpley said.

The actual choir meets once a week in the music building on Wednesdays from 9 to 10:30. But it's the community service and out

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# Spring is just around the corner

By Angela L. Gorter  
PULSE ASSISTANT EDITOR

Although Christmas has passed, spring is nowhere to be found. And with the temperatures grazing the near zero mark, who wants to think of wearing tank tops and skirts?

Well, the fashion world does. According to Jean Hines, associate professor of Apparel Merchandising and Product Development at the School of Family and Consumer Sciences, "The fashion industry is very aggressive, [so every] company begins to work months in advance." This planning helps

the consumer begin to see what is coming up for the next season, she said.

During the winter months, we all saw the usual hoodies and casually warm outfits around campus. But what we may not have noticed are the bright and brilliant colors quickly approaching the fashion scene.

So maybe we have had spring-time on the brain.

Rick King, department manager at JcPenney said that even though it has been cold, the bright colors have been their best sellers. The mock neck sweaters and sweaters in vivid reds and

pinks have helped lift the spirits of students up and towards warmer days.

Here comes the sun!

For this spring's fashion, the experts are anticipating a repeat of last year's style. That includes the "romantic bohemian look," according to Rick King. This look consists of floral patterned shirts with long flowing sleeves and lots of white.

The fashion world has not changed since 2002.

Briana M. Wright, president of the Fashion Merchandising Association at BG said, "The apparel market is a recyclable

one. You will see everything more than once." She predicts a more "wild" side to this season's style. "There are lively patterns, prints and daring textures striking the runways," she added.

Vintage, going along with the bohemian trend, is making its way from the thrift store to the online market. At abercrombieandfitch.com, the vintage denim look is in, from polos to jackets. But they don't stop there. Pastels like the "Easter egg colors," are coming into play too, says Hines.

And, of course, who can forget about the guys? Wright also says that the men will be just as daring

as the women, wearing even the brightest of colors.

Have you been thinking of letting your hair grow out this season? Well, don't worry. FMA says, "Hats are really big, baseball caps, skull caps, bandanas and, well, just hats."

For those of you who love the sexy look, thank heaven ladies, mini-skirts are still here and ready to be taken out of the closet and flaunted.

So here it is, your springtime fashion review. We hope you stay warm and ALWAYS remember to stay in your own style.



# Moore shoots for a winner

By Kimberly Dupps  
PULSE EDITOR

Nearly three months after its release, "Bowling for Columbine" will be shown at The Cla-Zel, 127 N. Main St.

In his award-winning documentary, Michael Moore uses his comedic, message-driven approach to address guns in the United States.

Moore uses the Columbine High School shooting in Littleton, Colo. as a jumping board. He interviews survivors of the shooting, including two who still have bullets in their bodies.

The documentary does not focus on the students but uses them as a way to tie the story together by focusing on how it happened.

The search to find a reason has Moore interviewing Charlton Heston, National Rifle Association member and pro-gun advocate, and Marilyn Manson, who was blamed for the Columbine shootings.

While it is easy to laugh at the interviews, especially Heston's, it makes a valid point: Gun problems can't be blamed on one thing or person.

The point Moore does make is that guns have become increasingly important in the United

States, more so than in any other country. While other "Western" countries have a similar number of guns, the United States has one of the highest murder rates (by gun) in the world.

Moore makes a point, very light-heartedly, by making a trip to Canada. Everyone feels safe there, leaving their doors unlocked. Moore proves the point by walking into people's houses.

Many of his points are not this laughable. Moore takes the Columbine survivors to the Kmart Corporation, where the bullets were sold. Moore shows true concern for those students. He tries to show the effects of low-end department stores selling weapons.

Moore does talk to those who support gun rights. However, these people end up sounding more stupid than anything.

Heston attributes gun problems to racial diversity. Obviously, Heston has a nice security system and, therefore, has never used his gun.

James Nichols sleeps with a loaded gun under his pillow. He has been suspected to have played a role in the Oklahoma City bombing. He also showed Moore where he, his brother



Associated Press Photo

**MOORE:** Filmmaker Michael Moore won a Critic's Choice Award for his documentary "Bowling for Columbine."

Terry, and Timothy McVeigh built bombs.

While the people who need to see "Bowling for Columbine" will likely not see it, the movie has an important message for everyone. Moore is able to show this message without preaching to the crowd.

Everyone should see "Bowling for Columbine." It will give you a few good laughs and days of conversation.

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## NEW MOVIES THIS WEEK

### Biker Boyz (PG-13)

An examination of the underground biker culture. The dominance of Smoke, an undefeated racer, is threatened.

### The Guru

Indian Ramu Gupta seeks fame and fortune in New York City. While he can't be an actor, Ramu finds success.

### Final Destination 2

Clear Rivers could not cheat death. As death moves closer to her, others get ensnared in its trap.

### The Recruit

A CIA recruit becomes a top player and moves through the ranks, only to find he can't believe anything from anyone.

## Movie picks

- ★ Outstanding
- Worthy effort
- So-so
- A bomb

	Chicago Tribune	Dallas Morning News	Detroit Free Press	Miami Herald	N.Y. Daily News	Philadelphia Inquirer	San Jose Mercury News	Seattle Times
Biker Boyz (PG-13)								
Confessions ... (R)	■	★	●	●	●	●	●	●
Darkness Falls (PG-13)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Final Destination 2 (R)								
The Guru (R)								
A Guy Thing (PG-13)		●	●	●	●	●	●	●
The Hours (PG-13)	■	★	★					★
The Recruit (PG-13)								

G All ages admitted  
PG All ages admitted, parental guidance suggested  
PG-13 Parents strongly cautioned, some material may be inappropriate for children under 13  
R Restricted, under 17 requires accompanying parent or guardian

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## Video picks

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- A bomb

	Chicago Tribune	Dallas Morning News	Detroit Free Press	Miami Herald	N.Y. Daily News	Orange County Register	Philadelphia Inquirer	Seattle Times
Banger Sisters (R)	■	★	■	■	■	■	■	■
Barbershop (PG-13)	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	★
Blue Crush (PG-13)		★						
Bourne Identity (PG-13)	■	★	■	■	■	■	■	■
FearDotCom (R)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Master of Disguise (PG)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Signs (PG-13)	■	★	■	■	■	■	■	■
Simone (PG-13)						★	■	■

### Upcoming releases

Feb. 4: Igby Goes Down, Sweet Home Alabama

## ON VIDEO | CHELSEA WALLS

# Hawke's directorial debut finds niche

By Eric Hann  
PULSE WRITER

"Chelsea Walls" marks Ethan Hawke's directing debut. The very artistic independent film takes place in the famous Chelsea Hotel in New York City. The hotel is filled with struggling artists ranging from writers to musicians.

Recognizable actors such as

Kris Kristofferson and Uma Thurman (Hawke's wife in real life) are featured in the film. It is hard to figure out who the main character is, because all of the characters' roles seem to blend together.

The film is visually pleasing, but it may require a second viewing to understand all of the different story lines.

The soundtrack, composed by Jeff Tweedy of the critically acclaimed band Wilco, plays a large role in setting the tone for the film. The music is featured throughout most of the film and serves as a background to dialogue between characters.

This film might not be for everybody, but it is a must if you are a fan of Jeff Tweedy.

## CHELSEA WALLS

**DESCRIPTION:** This is a crazy-quilt look at the artsy hipsters who live at or pass through New York's Chelsea Hotel on their bumpy way to elusive greatness.

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**JERRY CANTRELL**

DEGRADATION TRIP  
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And the winner of sarcasm's best good album of the year is... Jerry Cantrell's *Degradation Trip Volumes 1 and 2*.

Obviously from the bad joke above, you get the hint that this is not the party time album you play at a summer barbeque. After listening to this album for the first time in its entirety, I felt like I had just seen "Schindler's List" and "Apocalypse Now" back to back.

Now that is not necessarily a bad thing, but I want to stress the point that this isn't the album your mom or girlfriend will use for her aerobic workouts.

*Degradation Trip Volumes 1 and 2* were supposed to be released this past summer, but the record company balked at the idea. So after a compromise, songs were taken from both volumes, put on one disc and labeled Volume 1. Now the album is being released the way Cantrell had envisioned, sequenced with songs to his liking.

What you get is a journey into the seemingly dark and demented world of Cantrell. I hate trying to interpret what an artist is trying to say with his/her work, but I would bet the making of this album was a cathartic process for Cantrell.

Even the more up beat "Angel Eyes" and "She was my Girl" tell the tales of heartbreak and love lost.

Both volumes of *Degradation Trip* probably won't be making the commercial splash his former band, Alice in Chains did, or his first solo release *Boggy Depot* somewhat did, but I doubt Cantrell cares. He set out to make an album on his own terms and with the release of both volumes of *Degradation Trip*, it seems that mission was accomplished.

There's about two hours of music here, it may take you two years to get through it, but in the end it will be worth it.

- Brain Horn

**WATERSHED**

THE MORE IT HURTS  
B-  
LARRY FUNDERBUNK MUSIC

Watershed follows the continuing pop punk trend; however, they dirty it up with a grungy barroom feel that is surprisingly refreshing.

The Columbus based band's new CD, *The More It Hurts*, can be easily divided into two categories: the sound and the lyrics. It is quite obvious from the beginning that their main focus is on the energy and creativity of the music while the lyrics take a back seat.

Watershed's songs are fast and simple, using basic drum beats with plenty of thrashing guitar hooks, combines the present pop-punk phenomenon with old school 70s rock edginess. This is where the CD largely succeeds. You can tell by the unpolished feel of *The More It Hurts...* that Watershed was born to play live.

The main fault with the lyrics isn't in what they are saying but how they say it. This is where their music falters. Often times the lyrics seem to go on one word too long, creating a disjointed feeling that detracts from the high energy supplied by the music.

When the band tries to slow things down, on "Over Too Soon" and "Romantic Noise," the lyrical work of Colin Gawel and Joe Oestreich expose their weakness as their voices don't have the emotional power to carry off the mood their songs are trying to attain.

More successful are the high energy "Black Concert T-Shirt," the laid back "Good Day" and the blues tinged "Wallflower Child," which play up the band's style of good, easygoing fun.

In the end, Watershed provides an album that is musically exciting, lyrically frustrating and overall a good listen. It's a refreshing pop punk sound that goes back to the days before everyone wanted to sound like Blink 182.

- Sean Corp

# Who says mice can't play?

By Brian Horn  
PULSE WRITER

**Q: What instrument do you play in the band and why did you chose to play that instrument?**

A: I play keyboard, synthesizer, and so a little backup vocals. I started off as the singer and the keyboard thing was just going to be for one song. But we liked the keyboard and I didn't like my voice, so we incorporated the keyboard into all of our songs and gave Joe the singing duties.

**Q: What is the band currently up to? Touring, recording, etc.?**

A: Currently we are just practicing and writing new material. We are playing shows here and there and are also self-recording a little demo to send to record labels.

**Q: Are you for or against the mullet hairstyle?**

A: I personally am not against it. I would never grow one but if other people want to go for it, I am always up for a good laugh. But that's just me.

**Q: If you had to take 3 CDs to a deserted island, what would they be and why?**

A: The three CDs I would take would most likely be Hopesfall,

## Q&A

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GUITAR/VOCALS



*The Satellite Years*, because it is one of the most beautiful CDs I have ever heard, and even better, it is hardcore. I would also take Me Without You, [A-->B] Life. That CD just really appeals to me. It's hard but the vocals are what I enjoy about it the

most. The third CD would have to be American Football, *American Football* because it is mellow and slow and a good change of pace from the other two, plus it will help me fall asleep.

**Q: What bands do you look at and ask yourself, "How did they get a record deal?"**

A: Crazy Town, Nickleback and all those other bands that sound like them. Also Avril Lavigne, she got paid \$2 million before she ever wrote a song.

**Q: If you had to make a "supergroup" comprised of a bassist, guitarist, singer and drummer, who would the group consist of?**

A: Cedric Bixler-Vocals (Mars Volta), Omar Rodriguez-Guitar (Mars Volta), Dave Grohl (Foo Fighters), Flea - Bass (Red Hot Chili Peppers), Adrian Pope-Keys (The Anniversary), Chad Sexton-Drums (311).

**Q: Who were your musical influences growing up?**

A: Michael Jackson, Huey Lewis and the News, Bush, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Soundgarden, are all pre-high school. But in high school, Saves the Day, Weezer, The Get

Up Kids, Still Drowning, MXPX, Nirvana, and The Orange County Supertones.

**Q: Why is Black Sabbath not in the Rock 'N' Roll Hall of Fame, but the Bee Gees are?**

A: The Bee Gees know how to dance. Can you see Ozzy getting down to "Stayin' Alive" or "Saturday Night Fever?"

**Q: How did the band get together?**

A: It started out as a joke actually when Greg asked Rob if he wanted to start a band. But I got to thinking about how I wanted to be in a band, so I got a couple of other guys together and we started practicing. Since then we have had a lineup change, just a decrease in members and an instrument switch, but it has been a great move.

**Q: If someone offered you to be the most successful band in the world, but it had to be in the form of a boy band, would you do it? Why or why not?**

A: No way, man, it's not about the money. If I did that I would be a huge hypocrite. I rip on sell-outs worse than anyone I know. Ask my friends who like Good Charlotte. Plus I feel that boy bands are such a joke.

# 'Tribes' blasts PS2 gamers

By Mark Buckingham  
COPY CHIEF

Running up the side of a hill, you scan your display feverishly, checking your armor level, energy charge and the number of rounds left in your plasma rifle. You crest the hill with the enemy flag tucked securely on your back.

The base is in sight.

It's an all-out dash now as weapon fire whizzes past you and light up the ground everywhere. There's a strange roar in the air, coming up behind you. Just when you think you're home free, you hear a high-pitched whistling sound from above. You've just been bombed as you set foot in the entrance to your team's base.

Things like this are all too common when playing "Tribes Aerial Assault" for PlayStation 2. You have teammates, but actually helping you is at their sole discretion. It is in their interest, however, because of the flag carrier doesn't score, none of us score.

"Tribes" is a first- or third-person (you choose) team-based action game that's been popular on the PC for several years, but only recently made its debut on the console side of the fence.

It's a known fact that most console games of this nature ("Rainbow Six," "Rogue Spear," "Unreal Tournament," "Quake III," etc.) are dumbed-down versions of their PC counterparts, almost as if to say that console gamers aren't interested in or

can't appreciate a customizable or dynamic play experience. There are a few notable excep-

tions, such as Rare's phenomenal "Perfect Dark" on the Nintendo64, but as a rule, these kinds of games pale on consoles in comparison to their PC iterations. "Tribes" could finally turn things around.

There have been gripes that the game has too many options, but I scoff at this notion. If you don't like fiddling with things, then don't fiddle. I like fiddling, and I'm still finding new ways to play "Perfect Dark" three years after its release. "Tribes" promises the similarly dynamic content, but in a whole new way.

Remember that guy who bombed you earlier? He's actually a 19-year-old college student in Pasadena, or maybe he's a 32-year-old advertising executive in Chicago. He could be a she. He could be anybody, because "Tribes" breaks the mold and allows up to 16 simultaneous players per game in an online world, through either broadband or dial-up Internet connections. Finally, I have a use for that PS2 network adaptor.

After five straight hours in the

middle of the night and "just one more game," I finally retired from an excellent 16-player

Capture the Flag session this past weekend with a real sense of satisfaction and community. Love and hate is found on the battlefield like nowhere else, and I already have a grudge against Warrior 1 and Garet Jax (the one who bombed me).

Fortunately, the online component comes with this feature, so when you find people you want to play with, they're easy to keep track of.

Component comes with a Buddy List feature, so when you find people you want to play with again and again, they're easy to keep track of.

The game brings more than just Capture the Flag, though this is probably the most-played game mode out there. Also available are Deathmatch, Team Deathmatch, Hunters (a cumulative, point/flag-based twist on traditional Deathmatch) and Capture and Hold (like Domination in "Unreal Tournament," you tag different bases and hold them as long as possible). All modes are available online and offline, supplying plenty of competent bots (AI players) to keep things interesting when other players aren't accessible.

What also makes this game really unique is all the gadgets at

your disposal. You can set up remote turrets for base defense and remote inventory stations to re-arm your comrades on the expansive battlefields between bases.

Also, you can pilot vehicles to transport your allies or rain death upon the enemy, you can run around repairing base generators and sensors, change turret barrels...the list goes on and on.

In fact, set the game timer for any less than 30 minutes, and you feel like you hardly got anything accomplished. This is how "Tribes" can suck away your life.

I love this game in a way I can't explain. It plays seamlessly online and off, with or without bots, and has taken a serious overhaul in the "sights and sounds" department since "Tribes 2," the game upon which "Aerial Assault" is based, hit the PC.

The cooperative team aspects along with all the chaos around you give a fantastic sense of the frenetic nature of squad-based warfare. Best of all, it's all free (well, once you buy or rent the game). There's no charge for playing online and the servers never shut down.

Stock up on junk food and eyedrops while you can because once you're in the game, you may never want to come back out. And if you see me (player: Dedly) running for the base, don't blow me up. It's just not nice.

**1st Person**

## Nelly

One of the hottest young rap hip-hop artists around today, Nelly is playing the hometown St. Louis - "Nellyville" - on the map, rapping on everything from the city's girls and sports to its famous arches.

**Did you know?**

- First rap. Formed group called the St. Lunatics in high school with two school pals and brother, City Spinz.
- Hopped up the charts. First solo "Country Grammar," which started as an underground club hit, and first album, which shares the same name, hit the top of the Billboard charts in 2000.
- Dressed as role model. Missourian governor, criticized when he honored Nelly for challenging kids to go without and raise their test scores because the rapper dressed raps about violence and sex.
- Owns it all in groups, runways.
- Second album, "Nellyville" is multi-platinum. It's Mike's potting line expected to have sales of more than \$100 million.

**Vital statistics**

- Born: Cornell Haynes
- B. 1979, in Austin, Texas
- raised in St. Louis, Mo.
- Family: Parents split, when he was 8, mom known prices to all his bands.
- Travel: Spent early years in Spain where father was stationed with Air Force.
- Education: High school.
- Athlete: Played basketball with St. Louis Archdiocese (Marshall Allen).
- Signature style: Low-cut, wing pants, Band-Aid on his cheek in solidarity with a brother in prison.

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Amanda Keegan BG News

**BUGGY WHIP:** The Court Street bakery offers a variety of home-baked goods.

# Court Street bakery offers taste of home

By Eric Hann  
PULSE WRITER

If you are looking for home-made baked goods and a relaxed atmosphere, Buggy Whip Cookies and Cakes is the place for you.

At Buggy Whip, all of the baked goods are made from scratch everyday. They would not release their secret family recipes, but Jen St. Clair, the daughter of the owner and baker of Buggy Whip, was glad to show how they make their bakery products.

With the help of a large mixer they stir pounds of flour, butter, eggs, sugar and whatever other ingredients are needed such as chocolate chips and spices. After all of the ingredients are mixed together, they are scooped onto baking sheets which hold one dozen cookies each. Next up, five baking sheets are placed in

the oven and any extra dough is placed in a large freezer.

There are 15 different kinds of cookies to choose from, from chocolate chip, which is Jen's favorite, to molasses. The cookies are available on party trays, gift boxes or sold separately.

Buggy Whip also has coffee cakes, hand-rolled cinnamon rolls, muffins, turnovers and danish for the early morning customers. If all of this was not enough, they also specialize in baking wedding cakes.

"Business has been picking up now that the road construction is done," said Jen St Clair who has been working at Buggy Whip for one and a half years. Buggy Whip Cookies and Cakes has been open for the past three years.

Recently Buggy Whip Cookies and Cakes purchased Java Supreme, which was located

directly next door. The new name for this coffee house, which features homemade soup is Court Street Cafe.

The atmosphere in Court Street Cafe is very relaxing and home-like. When you walk in the door, it just might remind you of your grandmother's house. There are small tables where you can sit and relax, or play a board game if you choose to.

"It is more cozy here because it is a house," said customer Emily Forthofer while enjoying a cup of hot chocolate with her friend.

At night students come in to relax and during the day people come from the Wood County Court House to get some coffee or a bite to eat according to Jason St Clair, who also works for his mother Lois St Clair.

## CHOCOLATE KISS COOKIES

**INGREDIENTS:**  
1 cup margarine, softened  
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1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1½ cups all-purpose flour  
1 cup finely chopped walnuts  
1 (6 ounce) bag milk chocolate candy kisses  
½ cup confectioner's sugar for decoration

**DIRECTIONS:**  
• In a large bowl, cream margarine with sugar and vanilla until light and fluffy. Mix in flour and walnuts, beating on low

speed with an electric mixer until well mixed. Cover, and refrigerate dough for two hours or until firm enough to handle.

- Preheat oven to 375 degrees
- Remove wrappers from chocolate kisses. Shape approximately 1 tablespoon of dough around each chocolate kiss; be sure to cover chocolate completely. Place cookies on an ungreased cookie sheet.
- Bake for 10-12 minutes in the preheated oven. While cookies are still warm, roll them in confectioner's sugar.

## THE FASTEST CINNAMON ROLLS

**INGREDIENTS:**  
¾ cup dried cherries, blueberries, cranberries, golden raisins, or chopped prunes  
Boiling water to cover  
Dough:

¾ cup cottage cheese  
½ cup sugar  
¾ cup cultured buttermilk  
4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) unsalted butter, melted, plus 2 tablespoons for brushing  
1½ teaspoons pure vanilla extract  
2 cups unbleached all-purpose flour  
1 tablespoon baking powder  
½ teaspoon baking soda  
½ teaspoon salt

**Filling:**  
¾ cup firmly packed light brown sugar  
¾ cup firmly packed dark brown sugar  
1½ teaspoons ground cinnamon  
1 teaspoon ground allspice  
¼ teaspoon ground cloves

**Vanilla Icing:**  
¾ cup confectioner's sugar, sifted  
3 to 4 teaspoons cold cultured buttermilk  
1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract

**DIRECTIONS:**  
• Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Grease a 9-inch square or round baking pan. Set aside. Place the dried fruit in a small bowl and pour the boiling water over. Cover and set aside.

• Place the cottage cheese, sugar, buttermilk, 4 tablespoons melted butter, and vanilla in the bowl of a food processor fitted with a metal blade and process until smooth.

• Add the flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt to the workbowl and pulse until the dough clumps like biscuit dough, 8 to 10 pulses. Turn the dough out onto a lightly floured work surface and knead gently, fold-

ing the dough over and pushing it away from you 4 to 5 times, until the dough is smooth. Do not overwork the dough.

• Using a rolling pin, roll out the dough to make a 12 by 15-inch rectangle. Brush the entire surface with the 2 tablespoons melted butter, leaving a ½-inch border around all the edges.

• To make the filling, combine the sugars, cinnamon, allspice and cloves in a medium bowl and sprinkle over the surface of the dough. Pat to press the sugar into the surface. Drain the dried fruit and pat dry with a paper towel. Distribute the fruit over the sugar mixture.

• Starting at the long edge, roll up the dough, jelly-roll fashion. Pinch the seam to seal, leaving the ends open. With a sharp knife, cut the roll into 12 equal pieces. Set the rolls cut side up, showing the spiral design, in the baking pan.

• Place immediately on the center rack of the oven and bake for 25 to 30 minutes, or until golden brown and firm to the touch.

• Remove the pan from the oven and run a metal spatula around the edges of the rolls. Lift the rolls out of the pan one at a time, and place them right side up on a wire rack positioned over a plate or a piece of waxed paper.

• To glaze, place the ingredients for the icing in a small bowl or 2-cup liquid measuring cup (the spout makes pouring easy). Using a small wire whisk, beat until smooth and thick, with pourable consistency. Adjust the consistency with additional drops of buttermilk.

• Drizzle the icing in a zigzag pattern over each roll. Let the rolls stand for at least 15 minutes before serving.

# Tinker sinks Steve

HUMOR, FROM PAGE 3

connoisseur. He tackled Steve with the power of a Radio Flyer at full speed and began to pound away at his musical nipples with a pair of childproof shears. As Tinker disassembled his opponent's pectoral melodies, Scuba Steve began to go Dolby Digital on his boo-tay. Professor Tinker, between the 1,000-watt punches, finally realized Scuba Steve's weakness and grabbed the snorkel. Scuba Steve's eyes bugged out worse than a speaker past its warranty as his snorkel was ripped out with the power that no Marine Corps Barbie could match. Scuba Steve, unable to inhale without the breathing apparatus, fell to the ground with purple cheeks. After gathering his strength, he was able to spout out one last word onto the world: "Turtle..."

"I am the Battleship you failed to sink, Scuba Steve," said Professor Tinker. "Now close your eyes and follow the tunnel of light towards that big tax bracket in the sky." With that, Professor Tinker took out his Nerf machete and marked Scuba Steve down 50 percent. The war had lasted longer than their advertisements seem to...but now it was over. Professor Tinker is, and always will be, the king of the proletarian commercial.

## ABC wins battle for documentary

By David Bauder  
AP TELEVISION WRITER

NEW YORK — ABC won a network bidding war to acquire the rights to a documentary on Michael Jackson and immediately scheduled it for prime time on Feb. 7.

The documentary, "Living with Michael Jackson," features "unprecedented and exclusive access to Jackson's private life," ABC promised.

British journalist Martin Bashir spent eight months with Jackson and was with him when Jackson horrified onlookers by dangling his baby from a hotel balcony in Berlin, the network said.

CBS, NBC and Fox were also reportedly interested in the documentary, which was produced by Britain's Granada Television, but the bidding came down to ABC and NBC.

ABC News spokesman Jeffrey Schneider would not say how much the network paid for the rights to broadcast the documentary.

## BG NEWS BRIEFING

### British authorities sieze pirate 'Lords'

LONDON (AP) — British authorities have seized more than 10,000 pirated DVD copies of the movie "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers" in recent weeks, a copyright protection body said Wednesday.

The Federation Against Copyright Theft and British

customs have found thousands of the DVDs since mid-January, when they first showed up in Britain, said FACT's director of operations, Spencer Mott.

Most of the DVDs came from Malaysia by air freight and appeared to have been pirated from digital copies that filmmakers sent to Oscar voters, Mott said.

The high-quality counterfeits suggested that "somehow, some of the (studio) copies have got into the wrong hands," Mott said.

Studios send digital copies of their films to judges of the

Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences in hope of winning Oscar votes.

"The Two Towers" is the second film adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's fantasy trilogy. A spokeswoman for Peter Jackson, who directed all three movies, said he was unavailable for comment on the British haul.

### Editor sues mag for discrimination

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A former editor at the Hollywood trade newspaper Variety has sued the publisher,

editor in chief and another editor for alleged anti-gay discrimination.

Ramin Zahed, who worked at Variety for nearly six years until he was let go in September, alleges in the Los Angeles County Superior Court lawsuit filed Jan. 24 that Editor in Chief Peter Bart mistreated him and frequently used slurs demeaning women and gays around the office.

The lawsuit also names Reed Elsevier Inc., which publishes Variety, and special reports managing editor Thomas Tapp, who also is accused of making slurs about

Zahed's sexuality.

The company denied the allegations.

"Employee decisions at Variety are made because of economics, merit, job performance and business needs and to suggest otherwise is simply unfair and untrue," read a prepared statement from Reed Business Information, the unit of Reed Elsevier that oversees Variety. "The individual in question lost his position as a result of a restructuring. This was a decision based solely on the needs and direction of our business."

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# Sports and Beer ads are the winners

ADS, FROM PAGE 7

CGI does not make for an interesting commercial. This was most evident in the spots for Gatorade, featuring three, yes three, Michael Jordans. Other offenders were a Levi's spot featuring stampeding buffalo, which had nothing to do with their jeans, and yet another Jordan ad featuring an increasingly unfunny Jackie Chan battling an uncooperative shirt tag.

**Winner: Beer.** Anheuser-Busch outdid itself this year with several funny spots, including ones featuring a man enjoying a beer in a very suggestive clown costume, a mom with a whole lot of back, an old man carting off a giant fridge of beer and a Clydesdale football game being interrupted thanks to a zebra checking the instant replay.

**Loser: Cars.** Several car companies had Super Bowl ads that amounted to a combination of special effects, loogies on wind-

shields and Celine Dion. These spots proved uneventful, boring and sometimes downright horrifying.

**Winner: ESPN.** Sports Network ESPN put together two truly inspired commercials for the broadcast. In the first, Joe Montana lost his Super Bowl ring in a bowl of soup, only to be recovered and worn by Stuart Scott. In the second various sports fans spoke hopefully about the futures of their woeful teams.

**Loser: Ads with a message.** It's one thing to be against drinking and drugs, but these groaning commercials are in a league of their own. So far, I've deduced that everyone who does drugs shoots their friends, runs over children, supports terrorism and gets pregnant. I guess I better pass then.

**Winner: Movies.** Some movies cemented their status as can't miss blockbusters, including Anger Management, The Hulk,

Terminator 3 and the upcoming Matrix sequels.

**Loser: Movies.** Other movies, however, didn't fare so well. The Recruit, Bruce Almighty, Tears of the Sun and Daredevil rolled out previews, hoping that simply having a Super Bowl commercial would ensure a hit. However, the content of the previews seem to say otherwise. The worst offender - Bruce Almighty. They took a can't miss premise, added Jim Carrey, and the best they could show you was a dog peeing in a toilet.

**Winner: Terry Tate.** In the hands down funniest commercial of the night, Terry Tate played a linebacker on the lookout for slackers in the office. The spot worked thanks to great editing and great lines like Tate clothes lining an employee and then screaming, "Next time, remember to put a cover sheet on your TPS reports, Doug!" Absolutely hilarious.

# Lyrics draw diversity through church doors

SINGERS, FROM PAGE 7

of-practice participation that the choir thrives on. "Our musicians and the directors meet and work at least 10 hours a week behind the scenes to try and get everything ready for our performances. It varies depending on how much we have scheduled," Tarpley said.

This month the choir is traveling to Mansfield on Feb. 8, at the Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church. Then on the 16 they will perform at the Mount Pilgrim Church in Toledo and lastly Feb. 23 at the Restoration Fellowship Church in Southfield, Michigan.

The hours of preparation that are put in do not go unnoticed. Not only does

"The choir is open to anyone and everyone that wants to join, not just the stereotypical idea of what a Gospel Choir is."

**TIFFANY TARPLEY, VICE PRESIDENT** the choir perform here on campus for the student body, but they constantly are inspiring the community as well.

Contrary to popular belief, the Gospel Choir isn't just about spreading the gospel to the public; rather it's a cohesive program here at the University that is just as much as a family as any other organization on campus.

"What we are most proud about is the way that the variety of people

involved in the organization go the extra mile to get involved in campus, community and religious events," Tarpley said. "It's not only the older members, but also the freshman members that are completely dedicated."

This month is a time to reflect and a time for togetherness, and according to choir president Karla Moore, the choir serves a part in this.

"I believe that our members come back time and time again because it is the best opportunity to fellowship with other Christians on campus," Moore said. "It's a time to forget about the cares of the world and concentrate on the blessings and wonderful works of the Lord."

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**DOWN**

1 Part of U.A.E.  
2 Parasitic insects  
3 Dawn 'til noon  
4 Best Actor, "In the Heat of the Night"  
5 Meager  
6 Celestial dog  
7 Work unit  
8 Snack  
9 Twist together  
10 Best Actress, "Women in Love"  
11 Grad  
12 Singer McEntire  
13 Observed  
21 Yiddish money  
23 Swindle  
26 Window catches  
27 La Scala show  
28 Landed estate  
29 Polio vaccine developer  
30 Woos  
31 Staff again  
32 Dislodged?  
33 Levies  
35 El \_\_, TX

**ACROSS**

1 Pauper's plea  
5 Play part  
10 Unsettles  
14 Mob melee  
15 Leslie of "Gigi"  
16 Toward shelter  
17 Part of a plot?  
18 Apprehension  
19 Third power  
20 Best Actor, "Life is Beautiful"  
22 Best Actor, "The French Connection"  
24 Understands  
25 Negatives  
26 Unattractive  
29 Best Actress, "Room at the Top"  
34 Separated  
35 Gloomy effect  
36 Russian river  
37 D.C. VIP

38 Best Actor, "It Happened One Night"  
39 Combine  
40 H.S. dance  
42 Fire-sale caveat  
43 Swiftly  
45 Best Actress, "Dead Man Walking"  
47 Flora  
48 Joke  
49 Verbal  
50 Best Actor, "The King and I"  
54 Best Actor, "Lilies of the Field"  
58 Pelee's output  
59 Poison  
61 Eternal City  
62 Uniform  
63 Regretting  
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65 Lucy's mate  
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