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USG concludes busy fall semester

By Andrew Scharf
USG REPORTER

The Undergraduate Student Government concluded a considerably productive semester following their meeting last night.

The meeting was the final meeting until the start of spring semester. The fall semester is usually less productive than the spring semester. This fall USG's output has been higher than previous years.

The BG New's staff editorial looks at whether USG's spending habits have been appropriate this semester when it comes to purchasing magnets in hopes of informing students. PAGE 4.

"I think the semester has been very productive," Kevin Yania, vice president said.

During this semester USG tackled four major issues. Last month USG approved the implementation of the \$20 health ser-

vices fee. The approval came after close to a month of discussion among the organization and the students.

Other issues tackled by USG were the campaign for increased voter registration and the construction of a sidewalk along Alumni Drive. Senators pushed their constituents to register to vote. A registration booth was even placed at the Ludacris concert. A sidewalk and crosswalk

were installed along Alumni Drive in order to provide students with a safer walk to Lot 6.

USG is also encouraging professors to use My BGSU to inform students of class cancellations. This is meant to keep students off the roads when winter weather becomes an issue.

Another priority for the organization was to promote their work to the students. USG distributed magnets to students with their

names and contact information. USG hopes that the magnets will get more students to utilize the organization.

"I think we have been getting more visibility with students," Sarah Saccany, president said.

Much of the progress in USG can be attributed to the executive board. Saccany, Yania, and all the committee leaders have worked hard to get every senator involved.

"This is the best administration that I have seen in the four years I have been in USG," Justin Dorch, off-campus senator said. "They are extremely organized and know how to get things done."

The senator retention rates have been high within the organization. Currently only two seats have not been filled by representatives. This statistic is much better

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Dance Marathon calls for faculty support

By Carrie Whitaker
REPORTER

For seven years Dance Marathon participants have been helping to raise money for the Children's Miracle Network. This year the student organization behind Dance Marathon is asking for help from faculty and staff.

In past years the participation has been small, but various faculty have expressed their interest in the event, Dance Marathon Director David Humphrey said.

"This year, with the establishment of the Faculty and Staff Relations Chair Position, the Dance Marathon Steering Committee is able to focus on getting the faculty and staff more involved," Humphrey said.

Sarah Saccany holds the new chair position. She said most of the prior involvement by faculty has been in the form of monetary contribution or volunteer work.

The faculty is unaware that they are able to be dancers, moralers, and dance group representatives, Saccany said.

"Dance Marathon has grown to be one of the biggest activities on campus, it only makes sense that we would include the entire campus," Saccany said.

"The fact that very few faculty get involved in the main activity of the marathon has less to do with how they feel about the students or the cause than how they might feel about dancing for several hours," Executive Vice President Linda Dobb said.

Dobb is planning to participate in Dance Marathon by volunteering to set-up.

Faculty members can be dancers for the event. The requirement is to dance for as many two hour shifts as desired, not the entire 32 hours Saccany said.

Student dancers are required to raise \$375 and a faculty dancer is asked to raise \$75.

Faculty that would like to become moralers are assigned a three to four hour shift where they help dancers stay entertained. Faculty moralers are also asked to raise \$75.

Dobb said she encourages faculty members to support Dance Marathon by donating money and volunteering in areas of need.

"If faculty members are truly ambitious and want to be innovative, they could try to get our first faculty and staff team together

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HOLIDAY DECOR



Jeff Braun BG News

SHOPPING: A window display at Timeless Treasures in the Woodland Towne Center in Bowling Green show some holiday spirit, making it possible University and city community member to widow shop. The store offers a variety of festive items including ornaments, cards, stuffed animals, wrapping paper, various knick-knacks and much more. The Woodland Towne Center is located on North Main Street just outside of downtown Bowling Green.

Debate to focus on cannabis

By April L. Elliott
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

"The Great Debate!" is coming to campus tonight and the University Activities Organization is expecting a good turnout of students.

Steven Hager and Robert Stutman will be debating back-and-forth over the legalization of marijuana in the United States. The two have been traveling across the country to debate on the subject for years and are being brought to campus by Scott Wolfman's company Wolfman Productions.

Hager, who will debate for the legalization of marijuana is the editor-in-chief of High Times magazine, a publication based

solely on marijuana.

Stutman, on-the-other-hand, who will be debating for the continued illegal status of marijuana, is known for being one of America's highest profile drug busters. He worked for 25 years with the Drug Enforcement Administration.

According to Wolfman, High Times is read mostly by "hippies and heads who like to smoke pot." Unsure of the publication's circulation rate, Wolfman said that High Times runs a variety of ads, ranging from products that can help people pass drug tests to bongs.

Although UAO is best known for bringing musical acts and comedians to campus, this edu-

cation debate should turn out to be popular among students.

"I think there is a lot of talk in the nation about this subject right now," said Jordan Ohler, UAO president. "A few states had laws on their ballots concerning the issue, and there has been a lot of talk in general. We [UAO] wanted to do something thought provoking and educational — not just music and comedy all the time."

There will be a third participant in the debate, a moderator from the University, Loren E. Lomasky, a professor from the Philosophy Department. Lomasky was chosen by UAO to

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STEVEN HAGER

Steven Hager has been editor-in-chief of High Times magazine since 1988. He created the Cannabis Cup, the Academy Awards of marijuana, which is held every year in Amsterdam. His book, "Adventures in the Counterculture: From Hip Hop to High Times" has just been released. Steve's goal is to establish the counterculture as a legitimate minority group whose basic rights of freedom of religion and pursuit of happiness have been denied.

ROBERT STUTMAN

Robert Stutman made a 25-year career as one of America's highest profile drug busters. Approximately 5,000 investigations were launched during Mr. Stutman's tenure with the DEA, leading to more than 15,000 arrests. One of the nation's experts on drugs, Mr. Stutman has received numerous awards from law enforcement agencies throughout the country.

SOURCE: Wolfman Productions

FOUR-DAY FORECAST

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WEDNESDAY



Mostly Cloudy
High: 38°
Low: 25°

THURSDAY



Partly Cloudy
High: 43°
Low: 23°

FRIDAY



Mostly Cloudy
High: 36°
Low: 26°

SATURDAY



Rain
High: 37°
Low: 24°

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United Airlines files bankruptcy

By Dave Carpenter
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — United Airlines made the largest bankruptcy filing in aviation history Monday, saying it was the only way to keep the world's No. 2 airline flying after two years of heavy losses.

The Chapter 11 filing was the sixth-largest ever as measured by assets.

The suburban Chicago-based company has lost \$4 billion in the last two years due to a slumping economy, flawed business strategies and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. It faced debt payments of \$875 million later this week.

"We're in control of United's destiny," United CEO Glenn Tilton said in a telephone interview. "We've made a good decision for United. It is in fact

Chapter 11. ... This is a tremendous opportunity for United to transform this company and to emerge stronger than ever."

Tilton told customers and employees at O'Hare International Airport that the carrier would keep flying. "We are now going to take this occasion to create a new beginning for United," he said.

Tilton said he expects the bankruptcy process to be completed within 18 months.

At a bankruptcy hearing at 7 a.m., Chief Judge Eugene R. Wedoff issued orders allowing United to keep operating until another hearing Monday when he is to issue further orders allowing the airline to continue its operations.

United said it obtained \$1.5 bil-

lion in financing from several banks to continue operating, and had \$800 million in cash on hand.

An attorney for United, James Sprayregen, told the judge the company was losing \$20 million to \$22 million a day this month and desperately needed to cut costs.

The company and a coalition of union leaders were scheduled to meet Tuesday to begin talks about reducing costs.

The airline has promised to keep flying while it sheds costs under the auspices of a bankruptcy judge and overhauls its business plan to try to become profitable again. As of Monday's filing, United had assets of \$22.8 billion and liabilities of \$21.2 billion, the company said.

United operates about 1,700

flights a day, or about 20 percent of all U.S. flights. It has the most extensive worldwide route structure of any airline.

The bankruptcy filing will come at a steep price for the 83,000 employees who own 55 percent of the company. A bankruptcy court judge is almost certain to order wage and job cuts and could dissolve the employee stock ownership plan.

Two of United's unions, the Air Line Pilots Association and the Association of Flight Attendants, said both sides must work together during restructuring.

"Any successful restructuring of United in bankruptcy must involve continued cooperation and collaboration among ALPA, United management and all of the company's labor unions," the

pilots' union said. We look forward to those discussions."

On pace to lose an industry-record \$2.5 billion this year, United had pinned its last hopes of avoiding bankruptcy on getting federal backing for \$1.8 billion of a \$2 billion loan that banks wouldn't otherwise provide. But the Air Transportation Stabilization Board, created last year to help the airline industry recover after Sept. 11, rejected United's request on Wednesday.

The linchpin to United's proposal was \$5.2 billion in labor cutbacks by 2008, but the three-member federal panel said the airline's business plan was financially unsound and a loan guarantee would have risked U.S. taxpayers picking up the tab.

United has struggled even

more than other airlines during the industry's worst-ever slump. The carrier already had lost about \$1 billion since mid-2000 by the time of the attacks because of labor turmoil, the industry's highest costs and several failed strategies, including a costly and time-consuming bid to acquire US Airways — itself now in Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

United cut service and laid off nearly 20,000 workers after the terrorist attacks, but it hasn't come close to making up for revenue lost from the drop-off in business travel.

United's filing dwarfs all other airline bankruptcies. The previous largest was by Continental Airlines in 1990. United listed almost \$25.4 billion in assets as of Sept. 30 — more than twice Continental's when it filed.

USG has high hopes for spring

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ter than previous years.

USG has high hopes for the upcoming semester. Members of USG plan on traveling to Columbus to speak with state representatives. USG will stress

the importance of state funding for higher education.

Another issue USG is concerned with is the large amount of parking tickets being issued this year. USG will look into why there has been an increase and if any changes can be made. The organization is also looking for

easy solutions to the parking problem. USG will continue to push for the paving of Lot 4, 6, and 12.

USG is planning an organization round table meeting. Representatives from all campus organizations will be on hand to discuss the issues surrounding

the University. USG may also change their spring elections to online voting. The organization hopes voting numbers will increase with an online election.

"Historically the spring semester is more productive," Yanina said.

Students will be invited to ask the debaters questions

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be the moderator at the event and should prove to be a good addition to the debate.

"This should be a thought provoking conversation," Ohler said. "UAO likes to do this type of stuff."

Ohler said that there should be time for students to ask questions of the two debaters at the end of the debate.

The Debate will take place at 6 p.m. in the Lenhart Grand Ballroom. The Ballroom can

hold 1,000 students and will be open to University students with a valid student identification.

Ohler said that the debate will last about two hours and that students should find the event entertaining.

"Although they've been travelling together, this is by no means a planned bantar," Ohler said. "I'm sure that they know each other's arguments, but that it changes all the time. Especially with students' questions."

Faculty, staff join Dance Marathon

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this year," Dobb said.

Another faculty member who is involved with Dance Marathon this year is Program Coordinator Heather Bishara at the office of Campus Involvement.

Bishara plans to dance for a

few hours during the marathon.

"It is important to me to be involved because I respect and admire the effort that BGSU students put into this event," Bishara said.

Bishara said that Dance Marathon is something that the University can be proud of because it is for a great cause.

"Supporting the Children's Miracle Network by participating in Dance Marathon benefits thousands of children each year," Humphrey said.

Humphrey said that until one sees the children and families that benefit from Dance Marathon or the actual event where thousands of students

dance, one cannot understand the impact of Dance Marathon.

"The faculty and staff participating this year will not only encourage the student body, but they will also show them that supporting charitable organizations is important," Humphrey said.

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PRESENTATION ON ANDEAN REGION TONIGHT

The Beehive Collective is having a presentation about the connections between colonization, militarization and resource extraction in the Andean Region of South America and what we as Americans can do about it. The presentation will be offered in both Spanish and English and will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the B.A.

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9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

UAD Tye-dyed shirts and jewelry sale

Education Building steps

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Dance Marathon Fundraiser

Dance Marathon Committee will be selling hot chocolate.

Education Building steps

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Fundraiser, Hot Chocolate Sales

Education Building Steps

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Holiday Raffle

Phi Beta Sigma will be selling raffle tickets.

Union Lobby

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

53rd Annual Faculty/Staff Exhibition

This is an opportunity to see work by some of the finest artists in the region. The exhibition presents work in a wide range of media by current faculty and staff members of the School of Art.

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. - 1 p.m.

LDSSA Information Table

Union Lobby

10:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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Union Lobby

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Alternative Break

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Union Lobby

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

ACT Information

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distributing information about

their weekly meeting.

Union Lobby

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

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Union Lobby

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Union Lobby

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Domestic beer prices increase for finals

By Melissa Lou
THE OBSERVER

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — According to students and liquor store owners, an across-the-board increase in American beer prices has marked the last weekend before finals frenzy.

"The price increase occurs every year, always around the end of November," said Mary Beth Lang, manager of Belmont Beverage at 254 N. Dixie Way in South Bend. "Last year the breweries did not raise the prices, which was an unusual move for them," added Lang.

According to local store representatives, the change will affect retail prices by increasing them from at least \$1 to \$2 per case. Students who enjoy tap beer said they found that the prices for kegs went up about \$4 to \$6 a keg.

Ross Spore, co-owner of Bullseye Discount Liquors, commented on the possible negative impact of the timing for the increase. "[They] hit at the same time that the statewide hike in sales taxes occurred," he said. Consumers will find they are paying more for the beer itself, as well as more in-state sales taxes, now up by 1 percent, said Spore.

Students who prefer international or specialty brews remain unaffected, as microbreweries and imports did not change their prices. Microbreweries might still increase their prices during the upcoming year, according to Lang.

Students reacted in varying degrees to the change. Senior

Dan Crowley said he was surprised to hear about the boost in prices. "It might cut back on consumption a little, since my bank account isn't exactly overflowing," said Crowley. "The increase might make me look into some of the smaller breweries as an alternative."

Senior Eric Gobel said he does not believe that this change will really affect his personal consumption habits. "Since the beers that I purchase are a little more expensive anyways, the increase probably won't affect me," said Gobel.

Saint Mary's senior Alisa Driscoll said she might consider changing which beverages she purchases, but was not overly concerned about the price increase.

"It just means I either have to switch to a cheaper beer or compensate by working more hours," said Driscoll. "The increase will probably push me to try the local brews, which were not affected by the boost, but I doubt I will switch completely."

Senior Christopher Boehnen said he is definitely worried about the increase in beer prices. "We like to throw big parties," said Boehnen. "Either this [change] will affect the amount of parties we have or the amount of beer we consume at them. It might also affect how many people we invite and who we let in."

Due to the parties, Boehnen said he purchases mostly kegs, an area where the increase is most dramatic. This means that for high consumers like

Boehnen an increase of a few dollars adds up and becomes a larger problem. However, Boehnen said that the change would not affect his loyalty to national brands or motivate a change toward hard alcohol.

"Beer is still cheaper than hard liquor," he said. "The higher prices make them more comparable but not cheaper and for parties kegs are still the best way to purchase beer."

In general, the liquor store managers said they are not overly concerned about the hike in prices, but Bullseye has anticipated the end-of-the-year rush and maintained some of their prices. "We held the prices per case for certain beers, such as Bud, Bud Light, Miller Light, Miller Genuine Draft and Coors Light," said Spore. "Six packs, 12-, 18- and 20-packs will reflect the increases."

According to Spore, "Students buy more [beer] in cases [and] I think this is because the weather outside is not conducive to keeping kegs."

"We are watching how the market reacts, as keeping the price per case the same has reduced our margin of profit," she said. This means that Bullseye cannot keep prices low for a long period, according to Spore.

Spore said she is confident that the increase will not affect long-term sales. "Even though we expect [the increase] to initially affect sales, people will get used to it and restructure their budgets accordingly," she said.

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OPINION

USG magnets seem unnecessary

Many of you may have noticed the new Undergraduate Student Government magnets. They are orange and white with the USG logo on them. They also have USG's e-mail address, web address, USG office number and phone number.

USG spent \$900 on the 4500 magnets. Couldn't they have found something better to spend the money on? It is not hard to find out USG's phone number or room number. Were magnets

really necessary?

Not everyone in USG wanted the magnets. Nine senators voted against getting them but twelve senators voted for them.

Even though every student paid for the magnets, through our fees, of course, not everyone who attends the University will receive one. One magnet went to every dorm room leaving 1000 magnets for off-campus students. More than 1000 students live off campus.

Who is going to decide which off-campus students receive a magnet? If everyone is not going to get one, then that is not fair.

USG has had the magnets for months and they have yet to distribute all of them. It is halfway through the school year. Wouldn't it have been more valuable to have received the magnets at the beginning of the semester so that we would have had them for the entire year?

Even if every student had

received one, and even if they had been passed out in September, the magnets are still unnecessary. USG should have spent our money and their time more wisely.

If you agree that the magnets were not a good idea, get involved in USG or at least talk to your senator. Let your voice be heard. Undergraduate Student Government is here to represent us and we need to let them know what we want and don't want.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Suggestion for community action project

A friend of mine offered a very good suggestion to the guest columnists Jones and Fraley who were upset by the Bowling Green Public Library's decision to not allow volunteers to read books on alternative lifestyles to three to five-year-old-children. Why not offer the same volunteers time to an interested group on campus, advertise and read to those three and five-year-olds whose parents choose to bring

them to that specific "story time" about lesbians and other lifestyles?

Are the columnists afraid that without a "captive" audience, they would not have anyone bring their children to this lesson in tolerance? Of course, I am sure that they would not want to show any intolerance to other lifestyles and would of course also be reading "Timmy's Heterosexual Mom and Dad" to these three to five-year-old babies. What other alternative lifestyles are we interested in teaching our very young children?

Tolerance also means accepting that parents have the right to guide their children in the way

that they think is in the best interest of the individual child. Intolerance is forcing parents to expose their children to ideas and lifestyles that they do not feel the child is old enough to understand.

I'm not sure that the library needs to renovate its policy to accommodate a few, but that the few should make the effort on their own behalf first. The library offers the book, "Heather Has Two Mommies" and anyone is welcome to check it out at any time. You teach your children as you see fit, and I will teach mine.

ANGIE SLADE
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The Communist disguise

M. REILLY
COSGROVE

U-WIRE

EUGENE, Ore. - Communism is not a widely held political ideal in the United States. There is a reason Communist political candidates never win elections.

Communism has not proven itself to be an effective political system. After utterly failing to recruit Americans to their way of thinking, Marxists, Maoists and all of their socialist confederates responded with two main tactics in this country: hiding in the Democratic Party and infiltrating our institutions of higher education. Before attending school at the University, the only Communists I was familiar with were either in movies about the USSR or fleeing to Florida on rafts. Imagine my surprise when the terms 'proletariat' and 'bourgeois' started popping up in every other book I was assigned.

In most of my classes, there was at least some allusion to the evils of a capitalistic economic system. Not just in sociology or political science, but also in areas where political opinions have no place whatsoever.

Some of these teachers have no qualms about identifying themselves as a political deviant, as they should, and this is commendable. But it is important to

realize that even in classrooms where the professor's deviant opinions are not hidden, they go largely unchallenged, and as a result carry too much weight. What is hard to understand about our revolutionary professors who are so hellbent on change is why they choose to rally students against a system that affords such power to the common citizen.

If the majority of the people were convinced that Communism was the best political system, then we could simply vote to change the government. There is no need for violence or revolution. The problem is that these radicals know the only way they can realize a Communist government in this country is by overriding the opinions of the majority. Marx may have been right that religion is the opiate of the masses, but I would argue that Communism is the opiate of the malcontent.

A system that prevents personal achievement is most advantageous to the weak, the lazy and the stupid. A classroom is not a political platform. If Communists who have been able and willing to earn a Ph.D. in this society are so intent on bringing about social change, they should become politicians, not teachers.

Maybe Chuck Hunt, one of our more out spoken dissenters, wouldn't be quite so self-right-

eous if he had to defend himself in televised political debates with people as educated and intelligent as himself rather than in a room full of 18-year-old undergraduates. Maybe he would gain a greater understanding of the needs of his beloved proletariat when none of them voted for him.

Professorship is a position of tremendous power, and with that power comes a proportionate amount of responsibility. There should be a few professors on this campus preaching for the radical left. There should also be a few from the radical right. Here's a novel idea: How about a Republican getting to teach at this school? Although they are pretty busy right now doing trivial things like putting food on our tables, running the government, and defending our nation against terrorist attacks, I am sure we could find one or two.

To the people on this campus who are so eager to be cut off at the knees with a sickle and hammered into their predetermined niche in society: Why bother wasting time trying to change things in America? There are several countries that already have Communist governments in place, and one-way airline tickets are cheap.

I am not questioning these people's right to voice their opinions, just their need to impose it on everyone else.

PEOPLE ON THE STREET

What have you done this year that makes you deserving of coal in your stocking?



CHEWY ZURBACHA

SENIOR, VCT

"Got too many freshman girls drunk."



JESSICA WICHTMAN

SENIOR, IPC

"Two words... Spring Break."



JESSICA JOHNSON

JUNIOR

POLITICAL SCIENCE

"All those late night trips."



ERIN SWARTZ

JUNIOR, SOCIOLOGY

"Jagermeister"

Time to critique law

KHARY
JACKSON

Opinion Columnist

Environmental newflash: It is time to critique law; in particular, the Ocean Dumping Act. Okay, first of all, I will say that this act is an admirable effort. This act is a positive step forward in dealing with our dumping toxic materials into our water. With that said, this act is nowhere near good enough to promote significant change. There are four particular areas wherein the weaknesses most clearly reveal themselves: Research, implementation, enforcement and education. We'll go over each of these in order.

Congress did have the foresight to finance research on the long-term impacts of the dumping that we allow. In fact, the amended authorities added to the original act legally expired in 1997, but the funding continues. However, while we place regulations on acceptable dumping, such as the sewer sludge that does not "harm" the environment, we cannot truly deduce whether there is significant harm or not. When the Gulf War ended, we celebrated and bragged that we only lost 72 American lives during the conflict. We have now discovered that thousands of veterans have died or are dying of chemical complications that did not immediately arise during the conflict. So seeing that we really do not know what harm is being done to the environment and/or on what level this harm resides, it is safe to assume that we are harming the environment whenever we dump waste into the ocean, period.

Therefore, regulation is unnecessary. In addition, our research needs to be strictly monitored and given as large a budget as possible. The way to get more money is to bill each company a certain amount proportionate to the amount of waste they wish to dump, as to contribute to a solution while they continue to create the problem. There should be a periodic report given by the researchers on a consistent and strict basis to ensure that they are doing their job properly. If they are not performing well, they should be periodically replaced. Basically, we need to stop lollygagging and crack the whip.

The U.N. just had a summit

for sustainable development and that's great, but that is once every ten years, which is not at all acceptable for this particular challenge. There needs to be several meetings per year internationally to keep everyone posted on global progress, and these should be strictly handled as well. Again, crack the whip.

Now what good is making a law if we don't back it up? In 1977, Congress wrote an amendment for significant improvement with our dumping habits to be achieved by December 1981. This, however, was not done, and not until 1988 was this issue addressed — and then they extended the deadline to 1991. Ten years went by without any change!

Even with the current penalties established, the effect is minimal. Civil penalties can reach \$125,000 per violation, and federal penalties can reach \$250,000, five years in jail, or both. I doubt any major corporation would bat an eye at \$250,000. That's CEO strip joint money. What the EPA is allowed to do legally is over-extended and gives violators too much leeway. Why must there be four prior actions taken before companies can be taken to court? There should be no more than three actions total, because violators have more than enough opportunity to address the issue, and the more time we waste with intermediary actions means even more environmental harm being inflicted. We need to get serious with enforcements. Otherwise, change will not occur.

Finally, even if we were to solve the problem, how can we avoid repeated history if we do not take the time to educate our young on these issues? We need to educate our children about how to not only understand issues, but how to come up with viable solutions and how to implement them.

In conclusion, we will do everyone a great service in making sure the laws that we put into action are actually strong enough to create the desired outcome. Research, implementation, enforcement and education are the four most important factors in positively addressing these serious issues, and until these factors become a permanent fixture in our lawmaking, we will not be doing our jobs properly, and the history books will not be kind — provided the world still exists.

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NASA MOVES COLUMBIA TO PAD FOR LAUNCH

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA moved space shuttle Columbia from its hangar to an open seaside pad yesterday for next month's liftoff under extraordinarily tight security of the first Israeli astronaut. During the slow 3 1/2-mile trip in the rain, an Air Force helicopter was spotted at times patrolling the area.

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NATION

Man survives on sauce

By Jennifer Bundy
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — A man trapped for nearly a week in his car after it plunged into a ravine survived in the freezing cold by burning paper, melting snow for water and eating packets of fast-food sauce, rescuers say.

Robert Ward, 32, suffered a broken hip in the crash and could not get out of the car. He was found Sunday by his friend Terry Likens, captain of the fire department where Ward is a volunteer emergency medical technician.

"I don't think he would have made it through the night," Likens said. "He told us when we found him, he said he was getting ready to go to sleep for the last time. He had just about given up."

Ward was in serious condition after surgery Sunday at a hospital in Huntington. Both of his feet were frostbitten.

Ward was five miles from the coal mine where he works as a security guard and two miles from the nearest home when his car went off the road Dec. 2. It plunged 150 feet and hit a tree, destroying the headlights and

horn.

The area's first major snowfall hit a few days later and temperatures remained below freezing for several days. To stay warm, Ward ripped the lining from the car's roof and used it as a blanket, Likens said.

He also burned paper, including pages from his EMT manual, and melted snow to drink. His only food was what he could get out of an old peanut butter jar and fast-food sauce packets.

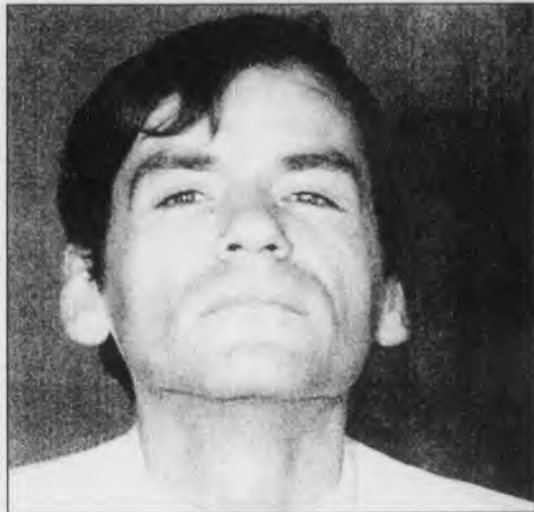
"It's a bachelor vehicle. It catches a little bit of everything," Likens said.

Searchers from two volunteer

fire departments, law enforcement agencies, state natural resource and forestry workers and coal mine employees scoured the area. A coal company donated a helicopter for the search.

As Likens and a companion searched the ravine Sunday with binoculars, Ward heard their car and voices and started hollering.

"He asked us to pinch him so he knew he wasn't dreaming," Likens said. "He said he had a lot of weird dreams while he was down there. He dreamed two or three times when people would come by and didn't get him out."



AP Photo

SUSPECT: Daniel Montgomery, 37, is shown in the police hand-out photo. Montgomery was charged yesterday with killing the Rev. William Gulas whose burned body was found in his office.

Police probe Detroit politician

By David Runk
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — Travelers arriving at the Detroit airport walk through what is practically a monument to Edward McNamara's political clout.

During his 16-year tenure as Wayne County executive, the Democrat led the \$1.6 billion expansion of the cramped airport, and a terminal named in his honor opened nearly a year ago.

Known for launching the political careers of such state leaders as Gov.-elect Jennifer Granholm and for his fund-raising prowess, the 76-year-old is recognized as a kingmaker in Michigan politics.

But now, in his final days in office, his dealings have come under federal investigation in a probe that could alter his legacy.

Last month, FBI agents and State Police searched the Wayne County executive offices and campaign headquarters and took documents related to political races, fund-raising and airport contracts. Federal prosecutors have refused to disclose the exact nature of the investigation.

McNamara spokeswoman June West said that the county executive is not aware of any wrongdoing and that the focus of the probe is unclear. She added that county officials are cooperating with investigators.

"He expects everyone to be honest and open," West said Friday.

McNamara has led Michigan's largest county, home to 2 million of the state's 9.9 million residents, since 1987. He chose not to seek re-election this year. Still known for the auto industry that fueled its growth, the heavily Democratic county includes Detroit and some of blue-collar



Carlos Osorio AP Photo

INVESTIGATION: Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara, left, listens as corporate counsel Edward Ewell Jr., addresses the media at the Wayne County building in Detroit, Friday, Nov. 22. Now, in his final days in office, his political dealings have come under federal investigation.

suburbs, as well as the rich lake-front Grosse Pointe communities.

In addition to leading the expansion at the airport, with its new Edward H. McNamara terminal, the county executive erased a \$135 million deficit, recorded 14 straight balanced budgets and restored the county's bond rating on Wall Street to investment grade. He also played a key role in bringing two new sports stadiums to downtown Detroit.

"There's no question that he was very successful in building up a kind of an old-fashioned political machine," said Bill Ballenger, editor of Inside Michigan Politics, a nonpartisan newsletter.

McNamara, only the second person to hold the office of county executive since its creation in 1982, has been criticized for airport contracts awarded to campaign contributors, friends and relatives. A report issued by the state Senate committee last year concluded that the county was guilty of "extreme mismanagement."

He also came under fire over his payroll. An analysis by The Detroit News published in August found 112 of his 332 appointees had base salaries of \$100,000 or more.

"I could never understand why they gave Ed McNamara so much credit. He spent money like a madman," said Rose Bogaert, chairwoman of the

Wayne County Taxpayers Association.

The McNamara administration has defended the salaries, saying they reflect the appointees' long years of service.

Three of his staff members have been subpoenaed to testify before a federal grand jury.

"I think our main concern is the image that it gives to this administration and to Wayne County, the damage that it does to the community," McNamara said during the Nov. 22 search. "And if it is politically motivated, it really is a terrible disservice."

Last week, U.S. Attorney Jeffrey Collins, a Republican appointed by President Bush, said the investigation is not politically motivated.

Trainee charged in priest slaying

By Paul Singer
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND — A man training to be a Franciscan brother was charged yesterday with killing a Roman Catholic priest whose burned body was found in his office, the police chief said.

Daniel Montgomery, 37, had comforted parishioners on Saturday as the body of the Rev. William Gulas was removed from the rectory of St. Stanislaus Church.

"The flames were that high, I could not do anything," he said then.

When he saw the fire, he said he didn't realize the pastor was inside. "I couldn't hear him, he was probably overcome by the flames by the time I got there," Montgomery said.

Montgomery was charged with aggravated murder and aggravated arson, Police Chief Edward Lohn said. He was to be arraigned Tuesday.

Gulas, 68, pastor of St. Stanislaus for nine years, was shot once in the chest Saturday before the fire was set, the Cuyahoga County coroner said. According to preliminary investigation, he also had been struck on the top of his head, Coroner Elizabeth Balraj said.

Police yesterday did not immediately offer a possible motive.

Authorities had not determined the cause of the fire, which caused an estimated \$50,000 damage.

City Councilman Edward Rybka, who is a member of St. Stanislaus Church and represents the neighborhood, said Montgomery was undergoing a review to become a permanent

Franciscan brother. "I'm not sure that review was positive."

Gulas' body, which was burned beyond recognition, was found inside his first-floor office at the rectory next door, which had been set on fire.

Rybka said he was told by someone at the parish, whom he declined to identify, that Montgomery was going to be transferred for another review period at another friary.

Rybka said Gulas' slaying was "incomprehensible."

"He was a good, holy person who cared about other people and for him to be the victim of an incident like that at a holy place during a holy time of the year demonstrates the mind of a person who lacked respect for life," Rybka, a member since 1980, said before learning the suspect's identity.

"The emotions are unbelievable — from overwhelming sadness to outright anger. I'm not sure where that anger goes next," he said.

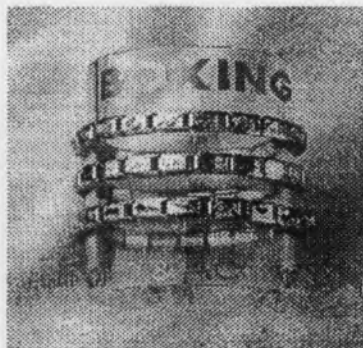
Montgomery was training to be an assistant in the parish but not to conduct any religious rites.

Franciscan spokesman Ned Whelan said Montgomery had been an assistant with St. Stanislaus since the summer, though he did not have details on Montgomery's assignments.

"He was doing a variety of tasks — elementary, fundamental tasks — housekeeping to helping out at the parish house," Whelan said.

Yesterday, about a dozen bouquets had been stuffed in the iron gates in front of the rectory, along with a couple of teddy bears and a handmade card.

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New pact allows troops to cross border

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WORLD

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U.S. claims Iraqi arms declaration

By Dafna Linzer
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

UNITED NATIONS — The United States took possession yesterday of the Security Council's copy of Saddam Hussein's massive arms declaration, as inspectors began combing the dossier for clues about whether Iraq is free of weapons of mass destruction.

Reversing an earlier decision, the U.N. Security Council agreed late Sunday to give the United States and the four other permanent council members — Britain, France, Russia and China — full copies of the 12,000-page declaration.

Deputy Russian Ambassador Gennady Gatilov said the United States had taken the council's lone copy to Washington where it would make duplicates for distribution to the four other powerful council members.

The 10, non-permanent members, including Syria, will only see a censored version of the document once weapons inspectors have gone through the report and gleaned it of sensitive material — including possible instructions on bomb-making.

Angered by the decision cut over the weekend by Secretary of State Colin Powell, diplomats said, Syria planned to protest the

arrangement during Security Council consultations yesterday.

Meanwhile, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said it would take some time to review the declaration and he called on Washington and others to be patient with the inspectors.

"The inspectors will have to review them, analyze them and report to the council, and I think that's going to take a while."

In Washington, White House press secretary Ari Fleischer withheld judgment on the massive documentation and said the United States wants to study the material "thoroughly, completely and fully and thoughtfully."

The U.N. nuclear agency said yesterday that at first glance, the nuclear section of the dossier repeats Saddam's claim that his country has no atomic weapons, materials or associated programs.

Of the 2,400-page nuclear portion of the document, 300 pages still must be translated from Arabic. And only an exhaustive analysis, backed up by ongoing arms inspections in Iraq, can determine if the document is truthful, said Melissa Fleming, a spokeswoman for the Vienna, Austria-based International Atomic Energy Agency.

"The cross-checking is

extremely important, including cross-checking on the ground," Fleming told The Associated Press. "Should there be elements we feel have to be checked out, we have the advantage of having a team on the ground that can go the next day."

On Sunday, an adviser to Saddam suggested that in the years before the 1991 Gulf War, Iraq may have been close to building an atomic bomb.

Lt. Gen. Amer al-Saadi said Iraq no longer has such ambitions, but that it was up to the U.N. nuclear agency to determine "how close we were."

Using a powerful electronic database, nuclear experts began poring through the dossier within hours after it arrived at U.N. offices Sunday, measuring Iraq's claims against the hundreds of thousands of documents the agency has compiled since it began inspections in Iraq in the early 1990s.

Iraq insists in the declaration that it has no programs for developing banned biological or chemical weapons — and challenged the United States to hand over any evidence it has to the contrary.

"The sooner they do it, the better," al-Saadi said Sunday.

Annan also said yesterday that



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COUNCIL: Permanent Representative to the U.N. from Angola, Gaspar Martins, sits at the Security Council table as the council votes to abolish the sanctions against the former rebels of the UNITA movement at United Nations headquarters in New York.

it sharing some intelligence with inspectors was critical to their success.

In Iraq, U.N. arms inspectors made a return visit Monday to Iraq's huge al-Tuwaita nuclear complex, where scientists in the 1980s worked to produce the fissionable material for nuclear

bombs.

Chief nuclear arms monitor Mohamed ElBaradei said that war can be avoided if continued inspections prove Iraq is disarmed.

"If we succeed in providing a

thorough analysis on the report and if we succeed in making sure Iraq is disarmed through an inspection, that I think could lead to the avoidance of a use of force," ElBaradei said at a Tokyo conference on nuclear safeguards.



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**DeGraff, Leardini
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DeGraff was named to the first team, while Leardini earned second-team honors.

Ohio State landed four players on the team, while Akron and Dayton landed three apiece.

DeGraff and Leardini were also named to the All-Mid-American Conference team after the completion of the season.

**Comedy
ratings as
funny as
they come**

ERIK CASSANO

Sports reporter

Let me add a disclaimer: Joel Hammond started this with his column yesterday, so if you don't know who Bill Simmons is or why we appear to be obsessed with him this week, it is all Joel's fault.

Bill Simmons, in addition to his stream-of-consciousness humor columns on ESPN.com's Page Two, created something called the Unintentional Comedy Rating scale. The idea is that various things that aren't supposed to be funny but are, get assigned a rating from 60 to 100 based on their laugh value. Being a tried-and-true writer, I, of course, thought I could do it better. Cue the spotlight, it is time for Tuesday at the Improv.

(That wind gust you just felt was every BG News reader in town turning the page simultaneously.)

UCR Ratings, Bowling Green edition:

60: The shoulder-level seam in the camera backdrop for press conferences at Anderson Arena.

62: The shape of the Administration Building after you've been here for a year.

63: Foam soap in on-campus restrooms.

65: Kevin Netter's mild likeness to Justin Timberlake (sorry if I was a bit rough on you in my last story, Net.)

67: The loudspeaker falcon screech every time the football team gets a first down.

69: Dan Dakich throwing a sideline temper tantrum.

70: Akron coach Dan Hipsher throwing a sideline temper tantrum.

73: Baseball coach Danny Schmitz and his penchant for using the word "flipping" in place of a more caustic f-word.

74: Toledo football coach Tom Amstutz.

75: The 67 classic rock stations in northwest Ohio.

77: Bowling Green's snow removal practices (when you're not the one driving.)

79: Watching low-overhead off-campus housing go up in the span of three weeks, and knowing it will take about that long before something goes wrong for the unfortunate new tenants.

80: BG campus parking (when you're not the one trying to find a space.)

81: The intermittent poo-gas stench at the corner of Mercer and Poe roads.

83: Anything that occurs on Main Street in the wee hours of Saturday morning.

84: Woodland Town Center, a.k.a. "The Small." The only mall where you'll find a storefront karate studio.

85: McDonald Hall now has their own chain take-out chicken joint.

86: The National Tractor-Pull Championships.

87: Bill's Hill, the tallest spot in Bowling Green. Elevation: 65 feet.

88: Rock bands who smash two unrelated words together to make their name, like "Chickengravel."

89: The shape of the Administration Building your first year here.

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BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

Swimmers fourth at UND

By **Melanie Menz**
SPORTS REPORTER

Rest does a body good. At least it did for the Bowling Green women's swimming and diving program. A week full of one-a-day practices, rest and excitement can lead to one successful meet.

They competed at the Notre Dame Invitational for three days and walked away with a fourth-place finish out of 15 teams with a total score of 979

points. West Virginia was first with 1,266 points followed by Iowa, Denison, BG and Wyoming-Green Bay rounding out the top five teams. This was a very successful weekend that showed many outstanding times.

"This weekend was awesome," said co-captain Sarah Agnew. "I couldn't have asked for anything better for this team. It was amazing how people swam out of their minds. I

got chills watching people swim."

Chills is one way you can describe the performances of watching their team go from fifth place on the first day to fourth for the last day. Twenty-one out of the 23 swimmers that swam for Bowling Green placed during the meet, and among them there were many second-place finishes.

Kara Ohngren finished second in the 1650 freestyle event

with a time of 17:35.10. Stephanie Buckner tied for second in the 100 freestyle event with a time of 52.52 and Agnew swam to a second-place finish in the 200 backstroke with a time of 2:19.58.

The closest event of the meet for Bowling Green was the second place finish by Dana Schultz in the 200 butterfly event where she swam a 2:06.29 just getting touched out by an Iowa swimmer who won with

the time of 2:06.25. In swimming, that is saying that her fingernail won the race.

"I was a little bit nervous going in," Schultz said. "But I was confident in myself and all the work that I put into swimming. I think people were swimming some really fast times and doing things that we haven't done all season. We

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Ben Swanger BG News

SLAM DUNK: BG center Kevin Netter jams the ball home in his 36-point effort against Buffalo last week. Netter scored 20 more against Northwestern over the weekend, but a late bucket by NU's T.J. Parker gave the Wildcats a two-point win.

Men lose late to Wildcats

By **Joel Hammond**
SPORTS EDITOR

For a young team still trying to find its identity, any win is big. In the case of the Bowling Green men's basketball team, a squad fighting inexperience and injury problems, a win against Northwestern Saturday would have been doubly big.

And as Wildcats point guard T.J. Parker drove to the hoop for the game-winning layup in Evanston, BG Coach Dan Dakich saw a win evaporate into a very tough loss to take.

"That was a tough one to lose,"

Dakich said. "We lost our composure late in the game. We were planning on taking the last shot in overtime or regulation, and at least going into overtime. Ron was being aggressive, taking it to the basket, and made a left-hand layup. He was not being passive. It was a tough one to lose."

"You rationalize it that well, that was the first time in that situation, or we're better than what we were two weeks ago," Dakich said. "But the bottom line is that we had a game that has to go to overtime if we don't win it in regulation."

BG led the Wildcats by as many as 10 in the first half, and led 60-59 with under a minute to go, after point guard Jabari Mattox hit the first three-point field goal of his career. But, the Wildcats hit the line on their next possession, making one of two free throws to tie the game. On the ensuing Falcon possession, Ron Lewis drove to the hoop, but was bumped on his way in, and was whistled for traveling, setting the stage for Parker's winner.

Kevin Netter, who scored 36 points in Wednesday's 76-59 win over Buffalo, led BG again, this

time tallying 20. John Reimold had yet another strong performance, scoring 17, including five three-point field goals. Lewis had 11 for the Falcons, who played just seven players.

Dakich said Netter has been practicing well, and it has carried over to his game performance.

"He's been doing it in practice," Dakich said. "The good stuff you do in practice, you do in a game, and Kevin has done an absolutely outstanding job in practice since practice started."

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Miller pleased with trip effort

By **Jason A. Dixon**
SPORTS REPORTER

They went, and they saw with the full intent of conquering.

The Bowling Green women's basketball team wasted little time serving notice to the three squads that took part in the Radisson Suites Roundball Classic in Boca Raton, Florida last weekend, as they defeated Florida Atlantic University (1-5, 0-0) 77-62 to open the tournament.

BG's reward was a UNC-Wilmington team that had breezed by Pittsburgh (3-3, 0-0) 79-59 in their first-round game. Despite a career-high 30 points from guard Kim Griech, the Falcons were unable to hand the Seahawks, now 5-0, their first loss of the season, falling 72-55 in the championship game.

"Overall, I was pleased pleased with the tournament; obviously we put ourselves in a good position to win a tournament in a long time," head coach Curt Miller said. "We took a different approach going into our first game because we knew we were going to be the underdogs, so we really went out knowing that we had nothing to lose. The championship game was exciting for us. We executed our game plan and I was pleased with our defense, but to their credit they had two good stretches in the second half that really hurt us."

BG arrived in Florida on Thursday, less than 24 hours after suffering a 61-54 loss at Anderson Arena, and began their preparation for FAU.

When the two teams met on Friday night, the Lady

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Irish win second, 5-2

By **Erica Gambaccini**
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Although the score might not have shown it, Sunday night's hockey game between Bowling Green and Notre Dame was much different and a lot closer than Saturday night's game.

The Falcons lost to the Irish 5-2 Sunday night, but did not allow a single power-play goal. On Saturday Notre Dame scored four power play goals to defeat the Falcons 6-3.

Heading into Sunday's game, the Falcons knew they were going to have to change the way

they played when short-handed if they wanted to win the game. They also knew that they were going to have to try and make something happen on the power play. Bowling Green did both of these.

"Going into Sunday, we wanted to make sure we really clamped down on our penalty kill and gave ourselves some chances on the power play," said head coach Scott Paluch. "We certainly did that. Our penalty kill was excellent on Sunday and we scored on the power play."

BG went 1-for-7 on the power

play and held Notre Dame scoreless on their six power-play attempts.

The Falcons' first goal was a power play goal at the 9:34 mark in the first period to tie the game at 1-1. Notre Dame scored their first goal 20 seconds into the game.

"The first goal was our power-play goal," Paluch said. "We had a great play from [Brian] Escobedo, who fired it down to the net and Mike Falk tipping it in at the near post. It was a real

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File Photo

BIG HIT: Bowling Green defenseman Kevin Bieksha puts a Michigan defender in the boards. Bieksha and the Falcons lost two games against Notre Dame over the weekend.

Icers' special teams better against Irish

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good power play goal."

Then halfway through the second period the Falcons found themselves in the lead for the first time on a goal by captain D'Arcy McConvey.

"Our second goal was actually a strange play off the 4-on-4," Paluch said. "Their defenseman kind of mishandled the puck behind the net. It came out in front of D'Arcy McConvey, who was able to just poke it off the side of the net, off their goaltender and into the net."

However, luck did not stay very long on the Falcons side. The

Fighting Irish tied the game up with six minutes left in the second period.

The Irish got a lucky break on their third goal, which deflected off a Bowling Green defenseman at 15:35 in the second period.

Notre Dame scored their last two goals in the final period.

The Falcons outshot the Fighting Irish 49-45. This was the first time this season that the Falcons lost a game when they held the lead in shot attempts. The 49 shots attempted was a season-high for BG. It was the most shot attempts since Nov. 24, 2001 when the Falcons recorded 51 shots against Lake Superior

(BG lost 3-2).

"We created as many chances as we have in a game all year we just could not finish," Paluch said. "We had a lot of tremendous chances. We just couldn't score."

Bowling Green goaltender Tyler Masters stopped 40 of 45 shots, while Notre Dame goaltender Morgan Cey recorded a career-high 47 saves.

"It was a solid game for Ty," Paluch said. "It's been a while since he played with the break and they actually scored on their first shot. It was a big part of the game, him being able to rebound. I thought he did that well."

"I'm glad we don't play again until Saturday, because I want to emphasize to the team every day how important it is to remain the same as individuals and players. ..."

MIKE BREY, NOTRE DAME BASKETBALL COACH

After big week, Irish make jump in poll

By Jim O'Connell

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Notre Dame's week of upsets landed the Fighting Irish in the Top 10 in The Associated Press college basketball poll yesterday.

Wins over Marquette, Maryland and Texas improved Notre Dame's record to 8-1 and transformed the Irish from an unranked team to No. 10 in the weekly media voting.

"These kids did a great job this week, and I told them that and then told them we're in new territory now," Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said. "Now we have to stay consistent and levelheaded. It is December and there is a long way to go."

Creighton, the only team to beat Notre Dame this season, and College of Charleston also moved into the Top 25. Creighton (6-0), which beat the Irish in the championship game of the Guardians Classic, is 23rd — its first ranking since 1974-75, when the Bluejays got as high as 13th.

College of Charleston (6-0), which beat Wyoming, Oklahoma State and Villanova in the Great Alaska Shootout

over Thanksgiving weekend, moved in at No. 25, its first appearance in the poll since 1998-99.

Arizona (4-0) beat Saint Louis and San Diego State last week and was No. 1 for the fifth straight poll. Alabama (6-0) moved up one spot to second, the highest ranking in school history.

The Wildcats received 70 first-place votes and 1,774 points from the national media panel, 137 more than the Crimson Tide.

No. 3 Duke (5-0) and No. 4 Pittsburgh (5-0) each moved up one place. The Panthers received the only other first-place vote and the ranking is their best since they were second Jan. 5, 1988.

Oregon moved up two spots to fifth, the highest ranking in school history, while Oklahoma, Indiana, Texas, Connecticut and Notre Dame rounded out the Top 10.

Missouri jumped from 15th to 11th, and was followed by Kentucky, Xavier, Florida, Illinois, Marquette, Tulsa, Maryland, Stanford and Kansas.

The last five ranked teams

were Michigan State, North Carolina, Creighton, Mississippi State and College of Charleston.

Notre Dame was ranked for all but two weeks of 2000-01, Brey's first season, reaching No. 10 for one week.

"I'm glad we don't play again until Saturday, because I want to emphasize to the team every day how important it is to remain the same as individuals and players and not to forget the lesson plan," Brey said. "We've always been able to stay level. We've never jumped off the Golden Dome after a tough loss, and we've never had a parade after a big win."

The 92-71 victory over then-No. 13 Marquette was at home, but the wins over then-No. 9 Maryland and then-No. 2 Texas came in the BB&T Classic in Washington, D.C.

Freshman forward Torin Francis played well in all three games for the Irish, capping the run with 21 points, 10 rebounds and eight blocks against Texas.

"He has surprised me, but what really surprised me was that he played well in the three straight games, the last two in two days," Brey said.

SICSIC, your bursar bill top the comedy rating list

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Tressel has seen Miami

By Rusty Miller

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Before the season, Ohio State coach Jim Tressel took his staff on a road trip to watch other teams' spring workouts. One of the stops was Miami.

Why there, Tressel was asked. "They're Miami. They're the national champions," he said.

Now Ohio State will get another look at the Hurricanes in the Jan. 3 Fiesta Bowl. And this time, Tressel hopes the Buckeyes come away with that coveted title.

Miami is a 13-point favorite, but that doesn't bother Tressel.

"I don't think we get too involved in the broad type of things, like who's the underdog or who's not," Tressel said. "I think our guys are just excited to have a chance to play in the Fiesta Bowl and to play against the national champions."

The game matches two undefeated teams who used similar weapons but different routes to the same destination.

Top-ranked Miami (12-0), seeking to become the first repeat champion since Nebraska in 1994-95, scored sometimes at will, averaging 41.9 points. But it also gave up more points (18 per game) than it might have liked.

No. 2 Ohio State (13-0), going for its first championship since 1968, played defense more diligently, allowing just 12.2 points per game. It also scored less, averaging 29.

Miami never scored fewer than 26 points in a game and pounded most opponents. Still, there were close calls. A missed field-goal

attempt by Florida State saved that victory for the Hurricanes. They trailed hapless Rutgers in the fourth quarter before recovering. Pitt had a chance to tie the Canes on the game's final play.

Saturday's Fiesta Bowl-trip clincher, a 56-45 shootout against Virginia Tech, stretched Miami's winning streak to 34 straight, sixth longest in NCAA Division I-A history.

Ohio State had its own narrow games, beating Purdue 10-6, Penn State 13-7, Wisconsin 19-14, and Michigan 14-9.

The teams share common denominators at running back and quarterback.

Miami's Willis McGahee rushed for 1,686 yards and 27 touchdowns. Ohio State freshman Maurice Clarett gained 1,190 yards and scored 16 TDs.

Miami quarterback Ken Dorsey, like McGahee, is a Heisman Trophy candidate and has a career record of 38-1. He threw for 3,073 yards and 26 TDs this season.

Those numbers had him eighth in the Division I-A quarterback rankings. Right above him at No. 7 is Ohio State quarterback Craig Krenzel, who passed for 1,988 yards and 12 TDs, but edged Dorsey in efficiency ratings, 148.1 to 148.

"I know there are going to be a lot of people around the country saying, 'Ohio State does not belong in this game. Ohio State can't win this game,'" Krenzel said.

"I don't think that's true, and none of the guys on our team

believe that's true. We believe we deserve to be playing on Jan. 3. We respect Miami and we know they're a great team, but there's not a guy on this team who doesn't think we can compete, who doesn't think we can't go out and win."

Miami has not seen much of Ohio State and will get its first look at the Buckeyes on film on Tuesday. The Hurricanes know Clarett can be explosive.

"From what I've seen, he's a good back, and he's going to get his yards," defensive back Sean Taylor said. "The best we can do is contain him and just win the game."

Both coaches are familiar with the opposing program — and it goes back further than spring practice.

Miami coach Larry Coker spent two seasons as an assistant to Ohio State head coach John Cooper in 1993-94. He served as an assistant at Miami before taking over the head coaching position two years ago — and hasn't lost.

"I have great memories of Columbus, Ohio, and the Ohio State University," Coker said. "It was just a great experience for my wife and myself. We loved every moment of it. It's very intense. Football is very important to Ohio State: the intensity of the season, the rivalries and the tradition."

Tressel was a candidate for the Miami job — there were reports at the time that he was offered it and turned it down — when current Cleveland Browns coach Butch Davis was hired to take over the program in 1995.



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BIG-TIME PLAYER: Ohio State's Maurice Clarett runs in an earlier game this year. Clarett came to Ohio State after completing his high school coursework early.

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Women's team makes strides in Florida

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Owls took advantage of some possible fatigue and jumped out to a quick 14-9 advantage with 12:22 left in the first half, until BG went on an 8-0 run to take a three-point lead.

A basket by FAU's Tamica Pierce made the score 17-16, but the Falcons then used a 20-11 run that was capped off with a layup by Karen Stocz, who chipped in with 10 points to take a 37-26 advantage into the locker room.

After the Lady Owls' Jennifer Olson cut BG's lead to 40-29 early in the second half, the

Falcons surged ahead 51-29 with 15:53 to play in the game.

A pair of free throws by FAU only temporarily stopped the bleeding, because a 7-0 run would push the margin to 27 and a 9-4 run gave the Falcons their biggest lead at 67-35.

Although the Lady Owls ended the game on a 27-10 run to provide the 15-point margin, head coach Curt Miller was still pleased with the total effort that his team gave.

"The FAU game was as good a win we've had since I got here. It was a big win for us, it was a total team effort and we got contributions from everyone," coach Miller said. "It was just what the

doctor ordered in a tournament setting, winning easily in a first-round game. We had a 32-point lead with eight minutes to go and that allowed us to use our bench a great deal, which was important when you have to play three games in four days."

BG held FAU to 30 percent shooting for the game and 27 percent from behind the three-point line, but probably more impressive was the Falcons' balance on the offensive end.

Francine Miller scored a team-high 11 points, followed by Megan Jerome and Pam Brown's 10 points apiece and Marisa Smith, who scored eight points and went 2-2 from

behind the arc.

Things went so well in the first game, that a letdown was perhaps inevitable. BG's victory placed them in the championship game of a regular season tournament for the first time since the 1992-93 campaign.

The Falcons led by as many as six points in the first half and found themselves down by only one, 30-29 at the intermission.

"I was really pleased with the way we played in first half against UNC-Wilmington. We led for the majority of the half, and went into the locker room one down," coach Miller said. "As a team, that gave us some

energy and emotion."

A three-point basket by the Seahawks' Jennifer Kapper capped off a 7-0 run to begin the second half, and that all but ended BG's chances at capturing their first tournament title since the Illini Classic in Champaign, Ill. during the 1988-89 season.

The Falcons connected on 10 of their 24 three-point attempts and went a perfect 11-11 from the foul line, but UNCW held BG to 25 percent shooting from the field and 26 second half points.

Griech, who was the only Falcon to score in double-figures, had 19 of her game-high

during the final 20 minutes. She also tied a school record with seven three-pointers and was voted to the all-tournament following the game.

"Kim had one of the best single-game shooting performances that I've seen in a long, long time," coach Miller said. "She carried us offensively throughout the game and, the more she made shots, the more we looked for her on offense."

BG (2-3, 0-0) continues their six-game road swing as they travel to take on Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne on Wednesday. Tip-off is scheduled for 7 p.m. at the Hilliard Gates Sports Center.

Almanson out with stress fracture in ankle

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He's doing it now in the games — running and finishing around the basket. He's worked hard with [assistant coach Andy Markowski]. ... You can see that he's going to be a player."

Forward Josh Almanson's injury has been diagnosed by a doctor at Ohio State as a small

stress fracture of the left ankle. Dakich said Almanson, who had been playing on the ankle, will lay low the next few weeks.

"We're going to sit on him, not let him do anything this week and next week maybe," Dakich said. "Then we'll try to see what he can tolerate. The goal is to have him back for Christmas time or shortly after that."

Swimmers pleased with fourth place

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were all really confident."

Other notables in the three-day meet for Bowling Green was co-captain Jessica Humes, who finished third in the 500 freestyle event and fourth in the 1650 free. Tina Sestan, Agnew, Schultz and Buckner placing ninth in the 400 medley relay event and diver Molly Peters tied for fifth in the one-meter diving with a score of 220.20.

Overall, the Falcons worked as a team and produced results that they could be proud of.

"There was not one stand-out performance," said Agnew. "I don't think that anybody thought that they would be able to go their fastest times in the middle of the season with only three days rest."

The Falcons do not get to compete again until Jan. 17 where they will swim Findlay at home, but that does not mean that they can go home

and rest on the time off. During the break the team will be heading down to Cocoa Beach Florida for 10 days of intense training. They will also rejoin their club teams at home so that they keep their bodies ready for the next semester. Staying in the water everyday is important for their muscles. When school starts back in session, they will have one to two meets every weekend and it is important for them to not slack off while

they are away.

"People have stepped up a lot at practices this semester and I think that through next semester they will keep on stepping up," said Agnew. "We have a lot more meets next semester, with a meet on Friday and a meet on Saturday almost every weekend, so we are going to be busy."

The team seems to be heading in the right direction for the upcoming spring season.

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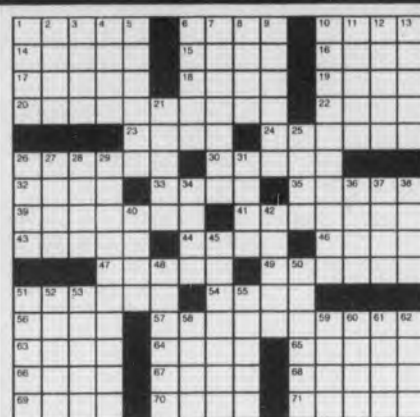
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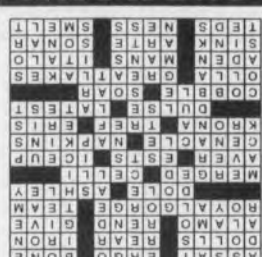


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