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## **Possible** policy enforcement questioned

University contemplates tobacco-free campus

> By Danae King Campus Editor

With the possibility of campus becoming tobacco free, students may wonder how the University would enforce such a policy.

That seems to be the most difficult issue to deal with," said Jill Carr, senior associate vice president of Student Affairs and dean of students. "I think it will become a community commitment.

That commitment may come about through the change of not only policy, but of campus culture, through which students, faculty and staff ask others to comply with a policy if they see them violating it.

"I think it becomes a social responsibility if these policies are in place," Yingling said. "It becomes more of a peer-to-peer

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# #teasingtweets

Parody Twitter accounts poke fun at Univeristy, students

By Molly McNamara

Reporter With the ability to remain anonymous and still capture the attention of thousands in 140 characters or less, a surge of "parody" Twitter accounts have hit the cyber world.

The University hasn't gone unnoticed in this Twitter phenomenon, with a fair share of parody accounts made at its expense. Popular accounts

have emerged in the past year based on a variety of University-related topics and many have gained a significant following.

Coming in with a little more than 5,700 followers, the Twitter handle @Falcon\_Problems is the most popular. The majority of the account's

tweets are retweets from users who tag the popular handle with anything from complaints to what they did during the weekend.

Freshman Alexia Chesbrough started following @FalconProblems this year after hearing about the account from a friend.

"I think it's funny because it's just joking around about any problems here," Chesbrough said. "I'm sure every college has a Twitter

account like that.

"The main reason you want to move off campus is Lot 12 #OnlyatBGSU"

The account @OnlyatBGSU, started this past spring, is not far behind in popularity, with a following of more than 3,300. The creator said via direct message he or she began the account with a friend for fun and never expected to gain so many followers.

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We started the account to give students something fun to read that 99.9 percent of the students at BGSU can relate to," said the now-sole runner of the account

The creator said they haven't received much negative feedback

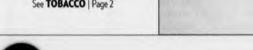
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## Zimmann defends education, Ohio's interests

By Tara Keller Pulse Editor

For years, Angela Zimmann has juggled many titles, including mother, University instructor and Lutheran pastor.

All, she said, helped her with one of her greatest passions - serving the community.

Now, Zimmann is looking to add the title of congress member to her list and is hoping the position will better help the community she cares about.

Tve always been interested in serving the community and education has always been a priority for me," she said.

That education priority stems from her role as a University general studies writing instructor. Her classroom experience was motivation to run for Ohio's 5th District against Republican incumbent Bob Latta.

"I have the unique perspective in seeing where students' challenges lie," she said. "Hearing concerns of college students has always been a priority for me."

Watching her students struggle to balance jobs and schoolwork reminded Zimmann, 39, of her own upbringing.

"My parents didn't pay for my college education," she said. "They couldn't. It was my responsibility to pay for college.

Her position in the middle class and her background in the northwest



Angela Zimmann Democratic Congressional Candidate

Ohio area will help her achieve her three-point plan if elected, she said.

Zimmann's first point would be to improve and budget money for Ohio's infrastructure — a goal she said she believes the government could use help with.

"Ohio is a donor state. We do not get as much money back as we pay in," she said. "Congress needs to make a compelling argument for why money needs to come in."

Zimmann said she intends to make that compelling argument.

Currently, some Ohio tax payers are funding infrastructure in other states and Zimmann said she wants to bring that money back to Ohio.

The second point in her plan is to make sure Ohioans' skill sets match workers by letting the public know about jobs that may not require a college education.

"I met a student who was a welder making \$17 to \$20 an hour, yet he was coming to BG and taking out loans," she said. "Why not let a welder weld?"

The people, such as the welder Zimmann met, are who, she said, she wants to fight for.

Her opponent, Latta, may not be doing the best job at that, she said.

"I looked at Representative Latta's voting record and just decided that's not acceptable," Zimmann said. "He voted against the interests of the people who lived here."

His voting record included a budget that would increase national debt, lower Pell Grants and was against anti-domestic violence spending, she said.

"I think he's a good man," she said. 'The only criticism I have is that voting record."

When it comes to her own character and campaign, some Zimmann supporters have no criticisms.

"She is 100 percent the perfect candidate," said Michael Hart, vice president of the College Democrats. "She reminded me there are people out there who want to make a dif-

Among her talents relating to students like him, Hart said he also looked up to Zimmann because of the way she can command a room.

"The first time I met her was when she gave this rousing speech," Hart said. "Anytime she speaks, it's going to move a crowd."

Sophomore Georgia Hudson choose to volunteer for the Zimmann campaign after meeting

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# TAKING A CLOSER LOOK

#### Kroger, Walmart seek liquor licenses on ballot

This week. The BG News is taking a closer look at some of the issues and candidates in this year's elections. First, we will explore some of the issues, including liquor options on the ballot, in this paper. Keep picking up The BG News for ongoing election coverage. Tweet #Elections2012 @The\_BG\_News and let us know what you think about the liquor options and everything else on which you'll be voting.

Bowling Green has two liquor options on the ballot this election. Kroger and Walmart are both looking to obtain a liquor license. The liquor options give businesses the opportunity to get a liquor license that the business could not get otherwise because there were none available in the county. A liquor license allows and limits when and what the business can sell, so the liquor option on the ballots give the businesses another opportunity to get the license with permission from voters.

The first option is for Kroger, located at 1094 N. Main St., to obtain a liquor license allowing it to sell spirituous liquor and sell on Sundays.

The second option is for the sale of beer, wine and mixed beverages by Walmart Super Center at 131 W. Gypsy Lane.

Kroger spokesperson Jackie Siekman said since there are only so many liquor licenses permitted in each county and in the state, Kroger wants to seize the opportunity to get a liquor license rather than waiting for one to become available.

1. How it is now: Currently, Kroger has a liquor license that allows the store to sell beer, wine and mixed drinks Monday through Saturday. Walmart does not have a liquor

license and cannot sell alcohol.

2. How it got on the ballot: The business must petition to get the liquor option on the ballot. The Board of Elections oversees the process of the business obtaining the correct number of signatures and the business only has to pay a filing fee.

3. Who votes: The city is divided into a number of voting precincts. Only those who vote within precinct 10 will have a say in the liquor option for Kroger. Precinct 10 consists of the area east of Main Street, as south as Merry Street and north past Van Camp Road. Precinct 104 will vote on the Walmart liquor option. This precinct is located on the west side of Main Street and extends south near U.S. Route 6 and as far north as Wooster Street

4. Yes: A "yes" vote coming from precinct 10 means the voter agrees that Kroger should be allowed to sell hard liquor and to sell on Sundays. A "yes" vote coming from precinct 140 means the voter agrees that Walmart should be allowed to sell beer, wine and mixed drinks Monday through Saturday

5. No: A "no" vote coming from precinct 10 would mean the voter does not want to increase Kroger's ability to sell hard liquor. Kroger would still keep the license allowing the store to sell beer, wine and mixed drinks Monday through Saturday. A "no" vote coming from precinct 140 means the voter does not want Walmart to sell alcohol.

6. How it will affect others: It will affect students and all residents who shop at Kroger or Walmart or want another location to obtain alcohol. If its liquor option is passed, Kroger will have to keep the hard liquor in a separate area to keep it out of the reach of children, but ultimately it will be easier on shoppers who need a one-stop shop, Siekman said.

## BURKE STEPS UP FOR BG

Freshman Tommy Burke was cast in to the spotlight when Andrew Hammond was injured. He has performed admirably, being named the CCHA Rookie of the Week. | PAGE 6



#### LAST SECOND GET-UPS

Running out of time for Halloween? Columnist Emily Gordon offers tips and examples of some quick, easy and unique costume ideas. | PAGE 4

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"Arnold and Gerald from Hey Arnold!"

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A study of 31 colleges and universities by the Bacchus Network, a university and community based network focusing on comprehensive health and safety initiatives, illustrated how compliance with a tobacco free policy was at those colleges and universities - 67 percent of universities and colleges had no problems with student compliance, 33 percent had minor enforcement

issues and one percent had significant issues with enforcement, Teske said.

"I think we're at a point now where the culture has really shifted," Yingling said. "I think we're at a point now where more and more campuses and universities are taking steps to initiate these policies.

Other colleges and universities have started the process of enforcement by giving students advance notice a policy is going to go into effect, said Mari-jean Siehl, chief of the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program at the

Ohio Department of Health. Posting signs that give the date the policy will go into effect and information on the University website would be helpful, she said.

"It's good to offer a resource to call and ask so people can be aware," Siehl said.

One of the most important things is giving people notice ahead of time, Yingling said. She thinks one year to six months would work, so people don't feel like they're caught off guard.

"There's going to be some transition issues,' Yingling said. "I think in the long run it will be very positive.'

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her at a University function and Zimmann remembering her name a few weeks later.

"I really think she's a great candidate," Hudson said. "I genuinely think she cares about the people in the 5th District."

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BG Undead hosts its week-long zombie tag game on campus

RIGHT: Marquis Martinez, a 'human' BG Undead player looks for 'zombies' near Hayes Hall on Tuesday afternoon.

BELOW: A 'zombie' runs away from Martinez in order to avoid being eliminated and sitting out for 10 minutes near the Union.

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## Employees, their families, earn nearly cost-free degrees

Students don't pay tuition until age 24 if parents work at University

By Alissa Widman

Senior Reporter

Many students face a mountain of debt once they begin attending the University.

But students born into the household of a University employee can pursue their education at little to no cost, according to University policy.

All full-time University employees can use an instructional fee waiver after completing a semester of work, regardless if they're a custodian, an instructor or a top-tier administrator.

The waiver allows them to take up to 16 credit hours of courses for free each year.

"dependents," including children, can take an unlimited number of courses for free until age 24. They must pay general and course fees — generally about \$1,000 — and any costs for living on campus or being an out-of-state student.

Dawn Hubbell-Staebel, a general studies writing lecturer, said the waiver is a great way for the University to give back to its employees, especially if they're coping with personal tragedies.

"My husband became unemployed the same year I was receiving treatment for cancer, which depleted us of any savings for our kids to go to college," said Hubbell-Staebel, who has taught at the University for more than 20 years.

Without the waiver, she is certain her oldest son, now a sophomore, couldn't have pursued his liberal studies degree without accruing significant debt.

We decided, as a family, it was better for him to come to BGSU and use the waiver, so he could have the most opportunities," Hubbell-Staebel said. "He's now in Spain studying abroad, something he probably wouldn't have been able to

do elsewhere." This semester, 149 employees and 358 of their dependents used a waiver to take tuition-free courses. said Rebecca Ferguson, the University's chief human resources officer.

The policy does not cost the University anything because it does not require any additional hires or resources, Ferguson said. It has been in place for at least two decades and was most recently revised in March 2010.

Similar policies are common at many public universities.

For example, at Kent State University, all general and instructional fees are waived for full-time employees and their dependents after a 120-day waiting period, according to its website.

At Miami University, instructional fees all are waived for full-time employees after nine months of employment and for their dependents after three years of employment, according to its website.

"It's not an abnormal benefit, but it's very rich here," Ferguson said. "It's a wonderful policy that can really change lives and attract and retain faculty members.'

Many students without access to a waiver said they supported the policy.

'It's empowering, especially for lower-end employees who may have otherwise been unable to send their kids to college," said senior Shawn Walters, who knows some students who have used a waiver. "It gives them a fighting chance to better their lives.'

A few students, however, said without proper restrictions, the policy could create unfair situations for hardworking students struggling to make ends meet.

'It doesn't seem right," said freshman Robin Fink. "Some students who get good grades may not be able to afford college, yet students who are nearly failing could come here and essentially get a free ride because their mom or dad works here."

Freshman Corrinne Burns, daughter of math instructor Beth Burns, said she hasn't heard any students call her waiver "unfair," but admitted some are jealous.

But to Burns and her sister, junior Carrie Burns, the waiver is motivation to achieve good grades while becoming engrossed in the college experience.

"I'm very grateful and thankful," Corrinne said. "I don't know that many students who have the opportunity to not be in debt their whole life."

■ To view a PDF of the University's instructional fee waiver policy, read this story online at BGNews.com.



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The level of acceptance of a policy depends on the students because every campus is different, he said.

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A study of 31 colleges and universities by the Bacchus Network, a university and community based network focusing on comprehensive health and safety initiatives, illustrated how compliance with a tobacco free policy was at those colleges and universities - 67 percent of universities and colleges had no problems with student compliance, 33 percent had minor enforcement

issues and one percent had significant issues with enforcement, Teske said. "I think we're at a point

now where the culture has really shifted," Yingling said. "I think we're at a point now where more and more campuses and universities are taking steps to initiate these policies.'

Other colleges and universities have started the process of enforcement by giving students advance notice a policy is going to go into effect, said Mari-jean Siehl, chief of the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program at the Ohio Department of Health.

mation on the University website would be helpful, she said.

"It's good to offer a resource to call and ask so people can be aware," Siehl said.

One of the most important things is giving people notice ahead of time, Yingling said. She thinks one year to six months would work, so people don't feel like they're caught off guard.

"There's going to be some transition issues, Yingling said. "I think in the long run it will be very

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her at a University function and Zimmann remembering her name a few weeks later.

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BG Undead hosts its week-long zombie tag game on campus

RIGHT: Marquis Martinez, a 'human' BG Undead player looks for 'zombies' near Hayes Hall on Tuesday afternoon.

**BELOW:** A 'zombie' runs away from Martinez in order to avoid being eliminated and sitting out for 10 minutes near the Union.

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## Employees, their families, earn nearly cost-free degrees

Students don't pay tuition until age 24 if parents work at University

By Alissa Widman

Senior Reporter

Many students face a mountain of debt once they begin attending the University.

But students born into the household of a University employee can pursue their education at little to no cost, according to University policy.

All full-time University employees can use an instructional fee waiver after completing a semester of work, regardless if they're a custodian, an instructor or a top-tier administrator.

The waiver allows them to take up to 16 credit hours of courses for free each year.

"dependents," Their including children, can take an unlimited number of courses for free until age 24. They must pay general and course fees - generally about \$1,000 - and any costs for living on campus or being an out-of-state student.

Dawn Hubbell-Staebel, a general studies writing lecturer, said the waiver is a great way for the University to give back to its employees, especially if they're coping with personal tragedies.

"My husband became unemployed the same year I was receiving treatment for cancer, which depleted us of any savings for our kids to go to college," said Hubbell-Staebel, who has taught at the University for more than 20 years.

Without the waiver, she is certain her oldest son, now a sophomore, couldn't have pursued his liberal studies degree without accruing significant debt.

We decided, as a family, it was better for him to come to BGSU and use the waiver, so he could have the most opportunities," Hubbell-Staebel said. "He's now in Spain studying abroad, something he probably wouldn't have been able to

do elsewhere." This semester, 149 employees and 358 of their dependents used a waiver to take tuition-free courses, said Rebecca Ferguson, the University's chief human resources officer.

The policy does not cost the University anything because it does not require any additional hires or resources, Ferguson said. It has been in place for at least two decades and was most recently revised in March 2010.

Similar policies are common at many public universities.

For example, at Kent State University, all general and instructional fees are waived for full-time employees and their dependents after a 120-day waiting period, according to its

At Miami University, instructional fees are waived for full-time employees after nine months of employment and for their dependents after three years of employment, according to its website.

"It's not an abnormal benefit, but it's very rich here," Ferguson said. "It's a wonderful policy that can really change lives and attract and retain faculty members."

Many students without access to a waiver said they supported the policy.

It's empowering, especially for lower-end employees who may have otherwise been unable to send their kids to college," said senior Shawn Walters, who knows some students who have used a waiver. "It gives them a fighting chance to better their lives.

A few students, however, said without proper restrictions, the policy could create unfair situations for hardworking students struggling to make ends meet.

'It doesn't seem right," said freshman Robin Fink. Some students who get good grades may not be able to afford college, yet students who are nearly failing could come here and essentially get a free ride because their mom or dad works here."

Freshman Corrinne Burns, daughter of math instructor Beth Burns, said she hasn't heard any students call her waiver "unfair," but admitted some are jealous.

But to Burns and her sister, junior Carrie Burns, the waiver is motivation to achieve good grades while becoming engrossed in the college experience.

"I'm very grateful and thankful," Corrinne said. "I don't know that many students who have the opportunity to not be in debt their whole life."

To view a PDF of the University's instructional fee waiver policy, read this story online at BGNews.com.





# FORUM

"An angry bird."

## PEOPLE ON THE STREET What is the best costume you have seen?



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## Hurricane Sandy leaves behind destruction, bad jokes



wind and rain slammed against my window as I watched Monday Night Football in the comfortable confines of my apartment.

"Holy crap, there's snow out here," my friend said.

Instantly, I was excited for winter to be here. However, there are millions of people in the United States and Canada who didn't get to embrace the drastic change in weather with such comfort.

If you've been in tune with the news, social media or any conversation in the past few days, you would know that Hurricane Sandy's effects are surrounding us.

Here in Bowling Green, we have only seen some melted snow and winds that can turn even the most durable umbrella inside-out, but that's just normal for us, right?

If you take a trip to the east, Sandy's effects are fatally worse.

According to CNN.com, as of Tuesday evening, 26 deaths have been reported and more than seven million people are without power. The government shut down. The New York Stock Exchange was closed. Gas prices rose significantly.

I checked my Twitter feed and saw CNN's live broadcast of Sandy's effects and I couldn't help but be worried for onle holding for their lives or, at the very least, sitting alone their apartments, without power.

Besides the factual and informative tweets, I saw a significant amount of troublesome parody accounts and tweets about getting classes cancelled.

"Thank you, Hurricane Sandy!"

How selfish and insensitive can we be? I understand that humor can help one get through even the most troubling of times, but don't joke about something that is currently taking place.

People were worrying about getting a day off, while other people were worried about surviving.

During this summer, I lived in Columbus and a large storm hit. Power outages soon followed and I was stuck in an apartment by myself. I lit a candle and had my own Unplugged acoustic guitar jam session. Later on, while checking Twitter and Facebook (mobily of course), I noticed the empathetic posts and found them comforting, but I also saw the joking tweets and found them to be outrageous.

"Serves those Buckeye fans right.

I know it was intended to be a joke, but it just wasn't funny. Tragedies shouldn't be made light until the victims, themselves, feel comfortable joking about them.

People need to take a step back and be more sensitive to national and international tragedies or at least give them a few days to die down before posting memes and cracking jokes about them.

We need to keep the victims' well-being in mind in those days following. Even if we cannot help them now, keep eyes open for opportunities to

If you're a person who prays, step back, count your blessings and pray for the victims, not for your professor to cancel class.

If you don't pray and you cannot help monetarily, do your part by not recent tragedies.

Send your parents a text and let them know you're alright. This time, we're blessed that we live far enough away, but this won't always be the case.

Our nation is in a time of need. The least we can do is be supportive.

Maybe the Hurricane Sandy parody accounts could become humane and issue some sort of sympathy tweets for the victims.

> Respond to Stephan at thenews@bgnews.com

## **LETTER** TO THE EDITOR

#### Improve faculty conditions to strengthen University

I am writing this open letter to the student body of the University in my capacity as president of the BGSU Faculty Association, the faculty union for all full-time University faculty members.

We are coming to the end of a very long negotiating process to achieve the first ever contract for University faculty.

We are fighting for the University to prioritize the educational mission of the University.

We are seeing the consequences of not focusing on the central mission.

The University's ranking in US News and World Report has slipped during the past four years out of the "Top 100 Public Universities in the U.S."

One-third of our score in the rankings is "Faculty Resources," which includes

faculty salaries, benefits and student/teacher ratios. We are fighting to improve these. President Mazey proposes

reducing the number of faculty, while increasing enrollment at the University to 25,000.

How does the Mazey administration expect to attract students if our ranking falls below our central competitors?

The University's ranking as an institution not only affects the decisions of our incoming students, but it also affects our

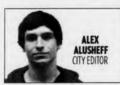
alumni. As our ranking gets lower, their degrees are worth less on the job market.

If you're interested in being part of the movement to change this, contact us at bgsufacultyassociation@ gmail.com.

Together we can maintain the greatness of Bowling Green State University.

> David Iackson jacksod@bgsu.edu

## Real world offers challenges, opportunities



I am excited and terrified to grow up.

Not only will I be 21 years old this Sunday, but I will only have a year-and-a-half left of school before I graduate and duke it out in the real world.

I bet you seniors are huffing at that statement because you're even closer.

The thing is, these days are going by faster and faster and I feel more anxious and uncertain about my future.

I'm applying for internships to places I never thought I'd see myself being at. One in Columbus, one

in Louisville and probably some other random place that pops up.

If I get one of those internships, I'll be in a completely alien environment and have to fend for myself; something that excites and terri-

This summer I stayed here in Bowling Green to work on the summer paper, intern at a local workplace psychology organization and write some stories for the Sentinel-Tribune. But that wasn't scary at all.

I know this city and I was still with my friends.

Columbus and Louisville are different beasts.

I would be on my own; something I have fantasized and dreamed about for about a year.

But how would I adapt?

Being thrown into a new environment and told to report on it like I've lived there for a while?

While scary, I would love to welcome that challenge.

It gives me a thrill to think about such things because I will have to go where the jobs are, so I better just dive in head first now and I can't be picky.

My buddy Max has been there to push me to apply for internships in different places

He helped me decide to apply for The Columbus Dispatch and Courier-Journal in Louisville as well as other places, ignoring my "I don't want to live there' bickering.

Like he told me, it's a good experience and it will look good on your resume (and it

I can't argue with that and I can't be complacent with a backup plan.

So I will throw myself out there and apply to Godknowswhereville and do all I can to ensure I get something, as should you.

Why settle when all you have to do is push yourself a little bit to potentially gain a better internship or what have you?

Seems like a good investment with little risk and a big reward.

Now excuse me while I preen my cover letter, fix the spelling mistakes on my resume and order some stamps

> Respond to Alex at thenews@bgnews.com

## Be creative, unique with last-minute costume ideas



Since Halloween falls in the middle of the week this year, many students

decided to celebrate during the weekend.

I was one of those students who knew come Oct. 31, I would be dressing up as my normal self and studying for two exams (still scary, but not nearly as fun).

But for those who did not get to celebrate during the weekend and still want their dose of Halloween fun, it's not too late, even without a costume.

### "It's not too late, even without a costume."

Here are my top lastminute Halloween costume ideas that are affordable and topical.

Naked Prince Harry: This summer, the younger son of Princess Diana and Prince Charles was photographed partying in the nude with friends in Las Vegas. For this easy costume, just buy a red wig and wear boxers that are close to your skin tone as to appear naked.

Muster the prince's royal confidence and

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## Prepare for voting process, stay informed, educated

Guest Columnist

Young voter turnout in 2008 doubled overall and,

However, this year, politicians, bent on manipulating the system for their own political gain, are trying to rollback these gains and, simultaneously, weaken our democracy.

States like Ohio. Pennsylvania and Virginia have passed legislation to limit the votes of minorities, the elderly and college students like you and I.

Here in Ohio, among other places, we have multiple groups working hard simply to protect our right to vote and to ensure we as students know what is

"Inside the voting booth, we are all the same. We all have the same say.

required of us in order to cast that vote.

The National Education Association's student member program is a nationwide student-based group that aims to engage education majors pre-professionally and also works to inform the public about matters relevant to public education and the millions of students who benefit from public schools each day.

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### UNDEAD ARE UPON US



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NEA's student member program has recently generated interest here at the University and a small group of students committed to helping their 2012 campaign program as much as possible.

In the true fashion of educators, the NEA student member program is doing their best via the Committed to Vote campaign to inform students on campus about the in's and out's of voting.

Check out the informative side-by-side presidential candidate comparison handouts and the awesome Committed to Vote buttons next time these students have a table on campus within the last few weeks leading to election day.

In the meantime, I would like to help the cause by reminding my fellow students that they need to have valid voter identification and they must ensure they go to the correct polling location on Nov. 6.

Voters must have a current and valid photo identification card issued by the state of Ohio or the U.S. Government: a military ID, an original or copy of either a current utility bill, government check, paycheck or other government documents that show the voter's name and current address.

A quick trip to the Secretary of State's website (www.sos.state.oh.us) will help you to identify your correct polling loca-

Inside the voting booth, we are all the same. We all have the same say.

Voting represents our civic duty and it's a responsibility we take on with pride as a citizen of the United States.

No one can rob you of your voice. But in order to participate in our great democracy and have your voice heard, every eligible voter must understand the rules in their state and show up at the correct polling place.

Your vote not only strengthens our nation but also the wonderful democracy that keeps it moving forward.

> Respond to Michael at mkhart@bgsu.edu

# Ohio Issue 2 may make congressional voting districts fair



Growing up in the '80s (I was 13 when the decade ended), I saw a lot of movies when they were new that would go on to become "cult classics" years later. One of my favorites from this era is titled "The Legend of Billie Jean.'

This movie is about a group of teenage friends from the wrong side of the tracks who are accused of things they didn't do, so they run away from home.

Later in the movie, the main character makes a video for the media where she utters a catchphrase that excites her peers around the nation and rallies them to her defense.

Billie Jean looks into the camera, throws her left fist in the air and cries out, "Fair is fair!" I fell in love with that phrase and, even as a kid, thought it made an excellent- and awesome- mantra for teens and young adults.

In fact, this phrase has always stuck with me and I think may ncea my i outlook because, even now, I have a bumper sticker on my car that reads: I Love Equality.

Next Tuesday, when we all go to vote, unless, like me, you voted early, (early voting goes until Nov. 5 at 2 p.m.) we will have a few decisions to make. In addition to voting for our new elected officials, one of the choices is literally about the fairness of who decides the boarders of our U.S. congressional

districts here in Ohio, which directly effects who represents us in Congress.

Ohio's Constitution says that the state's congressional districts must be redrawn every 10 years after the latest census population information becomes available.

As it stands now, when it comes time for the districts to be redrawn, it is in the hands of a panel of politicians consisting of the governor, the state auditor, the secretary of state and two members of the state Legislature, one Republican and one Democrat.

This means when one political party is disproportionately in control of the seat of power, that party decides how the new districts are redrawn and that party inevitably redraws the districts in such a way as to gain a political advantage.

The process is known as gerrymandering and it's as old as U.S. politics itself.

While Ohio is pretty evenly divided between Republicans and Democrats, after our districts were redrawn in 2011, the Republicans held an advantage in 12 of 16 districts.

If passed next Tuesday, Issue redrawing out of the hands of legislators and put it into the hands of an independent commission of citizens.

Issue 2 would set up a system of determining the independent commission that is similar to the current jury selection system.

The state appellate court would appoint about 42 citizen commission finalists who would then go before Ohio

state legislators from both parties. They would then have an opportunity to object to a specific number of commission members until the commission is narrowed down to 12 members agreed upon by both

Anyone holding an elected office in Ohio would be automatically disqualified from serving on the commission.

Opponents of the proposed law say that picking commission finalists should not be a function of the courts, but Robin Deters, a voter outreach manager with the organization Jobs with Justice, disagrees.

Deters says that the courts already play a similar role in our government because they are responsible for filling legislative appointments when they become vacant in-between elections.

"It is ridiculous to say that we are involving them where they never have been involved before," she said.

I support the passage of Issue 2 because it quite simply is not fair for whichever political party that happens to be in control of the state capital at the time to be allowed to stack the deck (for

It wasn't fair when Republicans did it this time and it is not fair when Democrats do it either. We can change that next Tuesday.

We can vote in favor of Issue 2 and send a message to the politicians (of both political parties) in Columbus, "Fair is fair!"

> Respond to Matthew at thenews@bgnews.com

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have a friend dress up as a paparazzo to really sell the look.

Bowling Green resident: One look at you with your messy hair, crooked glasses and askew clothing and everyone will know you're dressed as a victim of Ohio's windy city. Just make sure you wear your University apparel.

Brawny Man: Hit up your closet for the paper towel icon's jeans, boots and a red flannel shirt and bingo! You've never put together a costume this fast. Bring a roll of paper towels as your prop.

Clint Eastwood and his chair: The aging actor's speech to an empty chair during the Republican National Convention was such a hot topic, it became an internet meme.

Wear your most formal clothes and get a gray wig to complete the "Dirty Harry" star's look. Bring a black folding chair (you won't have a problem finding a place to sit at the party!) and argue with it all night.

Biden and Ryan: It's too bad there was only one entia

your couples costume is bound to be a hit. Copy the Eastwood look sans chair for Biden and don't stop rolling your eyes and laughing all night.

Dress the same way for Ryan, without the hairstyle, Grev carry around water bottles for your character's unquenchable thirst. Interrupt each other all night and you'll be a shoein for this political pair.

Rock, Paper, Scissors: Tape three black construction paper circles to a white shirt to transform it into a three-hole punched piece of paper. Carry a rock in one hand and scissors in the other and voila: instant party hit.

Peaceful Painter: Do you have curly brown hair and paintbrush-es on hand? Then print out a painting of a landscape and have a peaceful demeanor and you're beloved TV painter Bob

Swing state: Dress in purple from head-to-toe to become one of the country's most talked about states during the election.

Pin some mini American flags on yourself and you're good to It was so entertaining that party guests dressed as

"One look at you with your messy hair, crooked glasses and askew clothing and everyone will know you're dressed as a victim of Ohio's windy city."

President Obama and Governor Romney for a fun Halloween souvenir.

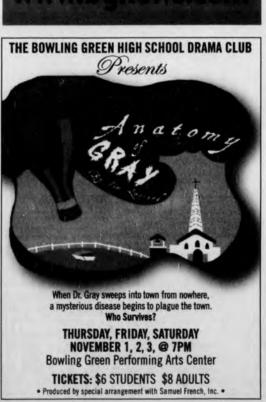
Golden Girl: All you need is some chunky gold earrings, a colorful outfit and a white wig to become Betty White. Make America's Grandma proud by bringing your wit and don't stop saying inappropriate things through an angelic smile.

Binder full of women: This Governor Romney soundbite has fueled many heated discussions online. Grab some friends and paint the words 'Binder Full of Women' on cardboard and you're set.

No matter who or what you spend this Halloween as, remember to be responsible, stay safe and have fun!

> Persond to Emily at thenews@bgnews.com







BEHIN the MASK

Notes: Burke seizes opportunity in Hammond's absence

By Ryan Satkowiak Senior Reporter

Tommy Burke's strong weekend garnered him some attention within the Central Collegiate Hockey Association.

For his performances in a weekend series against Ohio State, the freshman goalie was named the CCHA Rookie of the Week. In the two-game series, he stopped 48 of 52 shots - good for a .923 save percentage.

Burke has seized the opportunity presented to him by Andrew Hammond's injury, thanks, in large part to the faith he has in his abilities to be successful.

'To be honest, I'm not surprised that I'm playing fairly OK right away," Burke said following Friday's 1-0 loss to Ohio State. "Coaches brought me in here for a reason and I feel I'm here for a reason. I don't think I'm here to sit on the bench for four years.

You have to keep moving forward and keep setting the bar higher," Burke said.

That confidence is something the coaching staff has seen in Burke.

"I think there's a confidence to Tommy that I didn't know was there because I hadn't seen him in [a game] situation at this level," said BG coach Chris Bergeron. "I talked to Tommy Monday morning about the shootout and he said, 'I knew we were going to win the shootout, I'm really good at shootouts.'

"I don't look at that as anything but a positive that that's his mindset," Bergeron said, "His mindset is that he can get the job done, and that's what's impressed me the most."

Burke has been in the net for four games this season — three starts. He has a goals-against average of 2.22 and a .913 save

After Saturday's game, Bergeron insisted there is no goaltending controversy; Hammond will still be the primary guy once he is

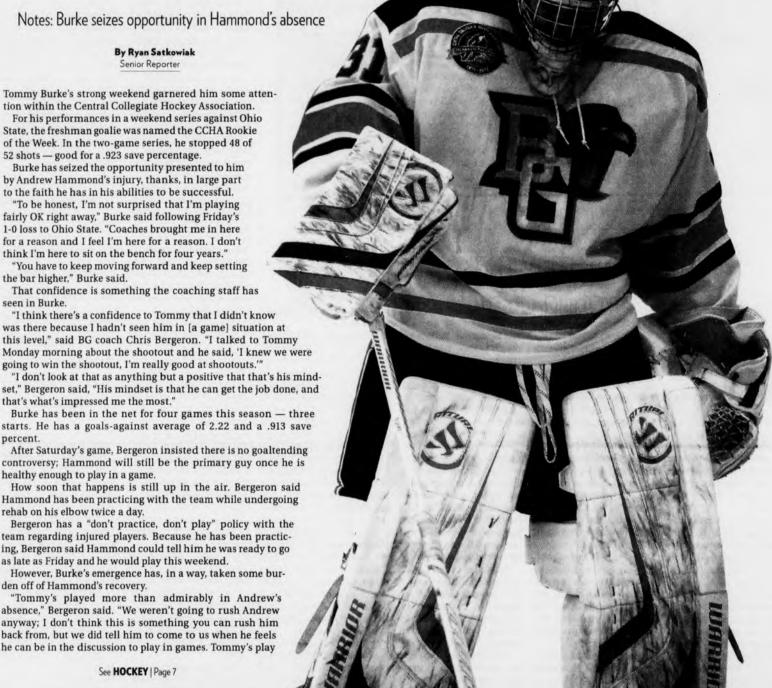
healthy enough to play in a game. How soon that happens is still up in the air. Bergeron said Hammond has been practicing with the team while undergoing

rehab on his elbow twice a day. Bergeron has a "don't practice, don't play" policy with the team regarding injured players. Because he has been practicing, Bergeron said Hammond could tell him he was ready to go

as late as Friday and he would play this weekend. However, Burke's emergence has, in a way, taken some bur-

den off of Hammond's recovery. "Tommy's played more than admirably in Andrew's absence," Bergeron said. "We weren't going to rush Andrew anyway; I don't think this is something you can rush him back from, but we did tell him to come to us when he feels

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ANTHONY GRANT, BG forward, kicks the ball during the Falcons' 3-2 victory against Wright State on Tuesday night at Cochrane Field.

## Falcons fight back to defeat Wright State in overtime

By Alex Krempasky Reporter

The Falcons persevered through remnants of Hurricane Sandy to defeat Wright State 3-2 in overtime for the I-75 Cup Tuesday night.

After one half of play, the Falcons were down 1-0 to the Raiders from

a goal in the 28th minute by freshman Brett Elder, marking his seventh in the season. Senior Seth Petrey assisted Elder's goal.

In the second half the Falcons came out to play.

Freshman Ryan James scored his third goal of the season in the 71st minute. Junior Ryan Comiskey

assisted on James' goal. The Falcons' offense did not let down after the first goal and junior Zach Schewee scored his first goal of the season in the 73rd minute.

Just as the Falcons thought

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## BG athletics hosts first media basketball game



The first annual Men's Basketball Media Day was hosted at the Stroh Center yesterday.

Following the team's regular practice time, members of the

media interviewed players, then split into two teams coached by the men's head coach Louis Orr and women's head coach Jennifer Roos

The members of the media included journalists, television anchors and radio personali-ties who cover the basketball

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BRETT MOHLER, BG forward, skates the puck up the ice during a game played last season. Mohler scored his first goal of the season Saturday against Ohio State,

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has taken a little bit of the pressure off."

#### Walking wounded

Bergeron said that freshman forward Brent Tate is progressing well from a back injury, but is still not at the point where he can hit.

"Obviously that's a huge part of his game," Bergeron said. "Not necessarily body checking, but just contact. Battling down below the tops of the circles, grinding out plays.

He's not there yet."

Tate has been practic-ing in a limited capacity. The earliest he could see action would be against Western Michigan next weekend, Bergeron said.

Additionally, Ted Pletsch (shoulder) is practicing and is in the discussion to return to the lineup this weekend.

#### Steady improvement

No longer among the walking wounded is junior forward Brett Mohler, who missed significant time last season with a shoulder injury.

After a strong fresh-

man season, where he was second on the team with 17 points in 39 games, Mohler played in only 14 games this past season.

Now, he said he is the healthiest he has been in his time at BG.

"I think I'm stronger than freshman year," he said. "The rehab this summer really helped and I feel a lot stronger. Ever since I'd gotten here, my shoulders had been bothering me, so it feels good to have a good one.

He said his first week back on the ice was a bit difficult because he wasn't sure how his surgically repaired shoulder would hold up to contact. He said the confidence in his shoulder came back pretty quickly.

However, he said his conditioning level is still not where he wants it to

"Nothing really prepares you for on-ice conditioning and I could've been more proactive with that," Mohler said. "I've slowly gotten the conditioning back. I'm still not where I need to be to help the team out, but I think it's coming back and I feel a lot better on the ice right now."

they had it in the bag, the Raiders responded with another goal in the 77th

The Falcons and Raiders remained goal-less for the rest of regulation but BG went into

In the 91st minute, James scored another goal to bring back the I-75 Cup to

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#### **SUDOKO**

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programs.

Team Orr consisted of Jordan Strack, weekend anchor from WTOL/ BCSN, Greg Franke, playby-play announcer from BCSN, Joe Nugent, sports anchor from WTVG, Scott Williams, webmaster from the Sentinel-Tribune and Todd Walker, personality from 1150 WIMA and myself.

Team Roos consisted of Jack Carle, University athletics beat writer from the Sentinel-Tribune, Ken Watlington, host/anchor from BCSN, Mike Lacett, sports reporter from WTOL, Eric Haubert, sports reporter from WTVG, Dave Holmes, sports director from WTVG and Ryan Wichman, weatherman from WTOL.

Players from both basketball teams officiated the media game, including senior Simone Eli from the women's team and seniors A'uston Calhoun and Luke Kraus from the men's team.

Seniors Jordan Crawford and James Erger helped Team Orr on the bench as assistant coaches.

The University sports information directors started up the event as a fun way to kickoff the basketball season for the media.

"The idea was to kind of use it to springboard into the basketball season. In late-October early-November, people are not really thinking about basketball yet," said Dave Meyer, assistant athletic communications director. "Coming into it I wasn't sure how it was going to work out, but the media really seemed to enjoy it. So we'd love to do this

every year." The men's basketball team has been practicing since Oct. 12 and is set to face off against Division II Central State (OH) on Sunday at 2 p.m. The regular season tips off on Nov. 9 against Division II Lake Erie College at 7 p.m.

The Falcons are scheduled to play in the preseason NIT in Ann Arbor, Mich., on Nov. 12-13, including a game against Cleveland State and either Michigan or IUPUI. The winner of the Ann Arbor round will advance to the next round in New York City.

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from Twitter users and none at all from administrators, but instead actually knows of professors who encourage their students to follow the account.

Another account with a fast growing following is @ GossipFalcon, created as a spin off of the television series Gossip Girl.

The account has more than 1,200 followers and, according to its creator, who admitted they will never reveal who they are, is there for people to see humorous things people do on or off campus as well as a way for people to vent.

The account functions based on tips and tweets that users send in via Twitter or an email address set up by the creator. Because these tweets often deal with relations between students, the creator said they have had to draw a fine line in what they will post.

"In the past I have stepped on some toes with controversial posts," the creator said. "Most people send pictures to me with the intention of slamming someone and I recognize that. What I also recognize is the harm that can cause. With the high amounts of young people committing suicide from online posts, I find it my responsibility to be sensitive and stray away from that."

Though some of these parody accounts have tweets that can reflect a negative image of the University, Dave Kielmeyer, director of Marketing and Communications, recognizes that the creators and users of the accounts have a right to academic freedom.

"While we're always interested in protecting the BGSU identity and brand, it's obviously a free speech issue and people can say what they want," Kielmeyer said. "One of the founding tenants of universities is free speech and open debate."

Kielmeyer also said the only area in which they would be concerned is if something tweeted was threatening or a personal attack on a student or faculty member.

While a student or any member of the University community could face the student code of conduct for posting anything threatening or harassing to another University member, the anonymity of Twitter makes it difficult to determine if the identity of a tweeter is even a student.

In a worst-case scenario, such as a threat of violence to a specific student, Kielmeyer said University Police would likely get involved to determine an identity, but it has not been an issue so far.

"Not all of them are negative and some are fun and do kind of help build that sense of community," he said.

Senior Taylor Kleman, who follows @FalconProblems and knows of @GossipFalcon, agrees the accounts aren't necessarily bad for the University image and also administrators shouldn't be able to remove posts.

"I feel that would breed discontent towards the University by the students and, more importantly, infringe upon individual rights of free speech," Kleman said.

Though the tweets may not all be positive toward the University, creators, followers and administrators don't think they pose any specific harm.

As followers reach the thousands among these accounts and those alike, it's unlikely they will disappear anytime soon.

'My followers make the job of manning the account fun and enjoyable," said @ OnlyatBGSU's creator. think it's awesome how many followers the account has and I thank each and every one because I would be nothing without them."

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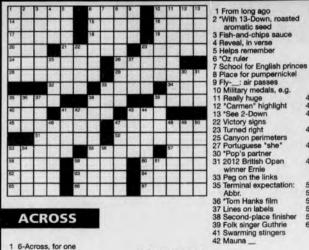
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