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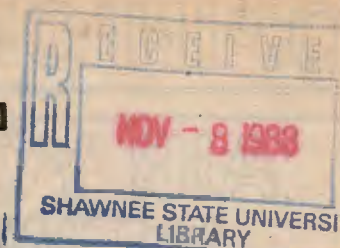
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# The Open Air

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-Tecumseh, Shawnee chief, 1810

Shawnee State University

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Portsmouth, Ohio

## Hourly workers may strike

By Keith Keys

OA Staff Writer

The members of the union representing hourly workers at SSU may go on strike if an agreement is not reached by 7 a.m. today.

A strike vote was taken by members of the Communication Workers of America on Oct. 27.

According to the minutes from the meeting, Bob Arnett, CWA president, informed the union members that although all SSU workers were welcomed to stay, listen, and ask questions, only those people signing a membership card would be eligible to participate in the strike vote.

Also according to the CWA minutes, after questions were answered, a vote was conducted by secret ballot. At the close of the voting, the minutes said, the votes were tallied and the results were 97 percent in favor of a strike if a tentative agreement is not reached by Nov. 7, at 7 a.m.

Marie Higgenbottom, CWA international staff representative, confirmed that 97 percent of the present voting members chose to strike SSU.

"I don't think that's accurate," said Elinda C. Boyles, SSU director of personnel. "If an agreement is not reached on Nov. 7, the committee will have to re-evaluate."

Higgenbottom said, "Ninety-seven percent of the membership voted to strike. It was a good strike vote and the members expect more than what's on the table. We are hoping all the bargaining unit will respect the picket line. When there is a deadline, there is an incentive on both sides to settle."

Both parties jointly brought in federal mediator, Joe Crowe. "He will be joining us at the table Nov. 1," Boyles said. "He will talk to both sides if there is any room to move on any open item, and he will send other alternatives and solutions and proposals to both sides," Boyles said.

Boyles said she wants to assure students SSU "is conducting business as normally as possible."

"The hourly employees who do want to work are able to do so and the students will not run into any problems," Boyles said. "They can come to the classes as they would normally."

The bargaining committees are still talking, she said. "Both groups understand it's up to them to get a contract," Boyles said.

According to Dr. A.L. Addington, provost, "The university will not be closed and will be continuing to serve. I will do everything in my power for the students. Students won't be penalized; we hope the strike won't occur. We will work hard to assure service is continued. Our basic priority is education."

Addington said he hopes the strike doesn't occur and that people who stay on the job will be compensated.

Students had varied opinions about the possibility of a strike which may close SSU.

Dave Nelson, student senate president, said he had no comment when asked about the strike, due to lack of information.

John R. Eldridge, an accounting major, said, "I think that if it's going to raise our tuition, they can strike all they want, I don't feel we as students should have to pay for what the hourly employees want."

Dwayne Spradlin, an elementary education major said, "If there is no contract, fire them all. They need some kind of discipline. Once the faculty struck, I knew everybody else would."

Marlo Ridout, an art education major, said, "I think they should go for it, even if tuition rises. I don't think it matters if tuition rises, it would eventually. This is still the lowest priced university around."

Workers who would be affected a strike also voiced their opinion.

Earl Roberts, a part-time employee, said, "As a part-time employee, we get pro-rated. I work half-time; I get half sick leave and no vacation. Everybody would like more money. It seems to me that the CWA is not telling us what's going on."

Dennis Litz, custodian said, "We are prepared to strike. We had a vote of 36 to 1. All we want is a fair contract. We don't want to mess up what the faculty has already gotten."

"We feel we are an important part of the university," Litz said. "People have to be pulled off their own jobs to do the work of other people on special occasions. We need more custodians ... we are understaffed."

"The total outcome will depend on the length of the strike," Addington said. "If the strike lasts for more than three days, every effort will be made to ensure the education of the students," he said.

In the Oct. 24 issue on page 6, Larry Essman, associate professor of accounting, did not say, "Only five percent of the current faculty have a master's degree." What Essman said was, "No more than five percent of the engineering department (faculty) had a master's degree in engineering at the time of the strike."

The Open Air apologizes for the error.

## BVR schedules

## campus visit

A representative of the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation will be in the Commons Building lobby Nov. 8 from 1 until 4 p.m.

Sandra Lawyer, a rehabilitation counselor, will talk to those needing to know of the services afforded students who have disabilities, said Mary Beaumont, director of minority, handicapped and special student services.

"If a disability is keeping a person from getting a job or being independent," Beaumont said, "the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission, of which BVR is a part, may be able to help."

## Campus Capsules



### Singsations

The SSU show ensemble, The Singsations is looking for talented women singers, both sopranos and altos with choral and performance experience, said Shirley Crothers, associate professor of music.

Singers in the ensemble should have a good sense of rhythm and movement, and the willingness to spend the time to ensure performing excellence, Crothers said.

Anyone interested should see Crothers in Room 10, Massie Hall, or call her at 355-2212.

### Art committee to meet

Sara Johnson, president of the Portsmouth Area Arts Council, will lead a public discussion on SSU's first public art project in Massie Theatre on Wednesday evening at 7.

Johnson will lead Denny Griffith, assistant to the director of the Columbus Museum of Art; Kathleen Coakley, Cleveland committee for public art; and Phillip Gearheart, SSU associate professor of fine arts, all who are members of the Stairway Art Jury, the group established to award the commission for a work of art in the new library.

Opinions received at the meeting may affect the art selected for SSU.

"Although the jury has the responsibility and thus makes the final decision, we'd like to take the 'artistic' temperature of the community before we make a choice," Gearheart said.

### Grants available

Students pursuing a vocational technical associate degree, or certificate, but less than a baccalaureate degree, are eligible to compete for \$2,000 grants (\$1,000 for each of two years) offered by the Elks National Foundation.

Applications are available from the financial aid office or the Elks Lodge, 317 Court Street.

Application deadline is Nov. 25. Applications will be judged by a panel selected by the Association of Community College Trustees.



Former Wheelersburg resident turned professional actress, Kelly Maguire, addresses students in Jack James' and Emily Gulker's classes on how to be a success at whatever you want to do. Photo by Mark Richard, OA Photo Editor. See story on page 5.



### AIR YOUR VIEWS

By Sallie Traxler  
OA Business Manager

Do you feel the library staff does everything in its power to help you with your needs?



Alan Scarfein, electronics and computer engineering major

"Sure, haven't had any problems."



Clyde Hall, pre-law major

"Yes, I would say they do. Most of them are pretty friendly."



Kurt Kegley, business management major

"Yes, they helped me find all the information I needed for my research paper."

Maria Crabtree, nursing major

"They have always been pretty helpful, and if there is something they don't know, they'll direct you to someone who does."

Ruth Willis, nursing major

"Most of the time they are good about helping, sometimes they get busy and forget."

## Condition terminal: In need of a miracle drug

Commentary by

Dr. Robert Wilson

OA Guest Writer

Slowly but surely, in this bastion of democracy of ours, the rights of individuals are becoming fewer.

When the Ohio legislature passed the Collective Bargaining Bill, the same rights guaranteed by the Constitution were denied by this piece of legislation.

In the Shawnee Education Association (SEA) contract negotiated over a year ago is a clause that states the union membership will determine the fate of those non-union faculty in February 1990. (Certainly "thoughty" of them!)

What these union officials fail to realize is the lesson of history, that one person's rights end where the next person's rights begin.

The time was, not too many years ago, when the foremost concern of the teacher was teaching. Students were at the heart and center of the activity. Today, being a teacher has seemingly little to do with Sophists or pedagogues; rather, dissent and political unrest.

Union mentality encourages an adversarial relationship between those who teach and those who administer -- surely a mentality that the profession cannot afford if it is to survive with any degree of dignity. When I began my teaching career, 25 plus years ago, I was fully appreciative of the fact that we (teachers and administrators) were in it together. We had common goals, and no side was the other's enemy.

No one was out to "get" the opposition, and an air of collegiality prevailed. The saddest and most unmistakable reality that stems from collective bargaining is the implication of distrust. Without trust, how can there be gain? The human element somehow needs to be restored in this once honorable profession of ours.

Hitler taught us the lessons of "Divide and Conquer" once. We should have learned them well. There are some very clear signs that we may need to learn them again.

SSU has the opportunity to make for itself a respected name in the ranks of higher education. Responding to the many calls for educational reform, dating back to A Nation at Risk, the many committees that have spent countless hours designing the new university curricula have done so in response to the recommendations of those many commissions.

We owe it to ourselves -- all of us, faculty and administration -- to let our potential for greatness become reality. Other colleges and universities will look to us for direction if we don't lose sight of our primary mission.

In every phase of our planning, we have emphasized the importance of the need for students to become independent thinkers. As a faculty member whose loyalty is to the students of this university, and to the university itself, all I ask is that I have the same right -- to be able to think for myself and to make my own decisions regarding my membership in the teachers' union.

I've come to the conclusion in recent weeks that the teaching profession, like this great country of ours, must continue to be the land of the brave if it is to remain the land of the free.

Commentary by

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OA Guest Writer

### Letters To The Editor

The Open Air encourages students and other readers to write letters for publication expressing views on issues affecting the university and the surrounding community. Persons who either agree or disagree with any opinion expressed in this paper, should write the Open Air a letter.

Address letters to Letters to the Editor, The Open Air, Shawnee State University, 940 Second Street, Portsmouth, Ohio 45662.

Also, letters may be delivered to the newspaper office in Room 411 on the fourth floor of Massie Hall.

The best-read letters are brief and writers should observe a 150-word maximum. The Open Air reserves the right to edit letters containing obscenity, profanity or libel. Also, the Open Air reserves the right to edit letters for length and to limit publication of letters from frequent writers.

All letters must be signed and contain the address and phone number of the writer for verification. Writers should print or type their names beneath their signatures.

Students or other writers delivering letters to the newspaper office may be asked to show a validated SSU ID card or other photo ID for verification. Other forms of verification will be used on mailed-in letters.

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# Do Appalachians have what it takes to be great?

Commentary by

Truman Throckmorton

OA Copy Editor

Early in October, U.S. News and World Report named Berea College the number one small comprehensive college in the United States.

U.S. News named Berea number one for the third straight year — named Berea number one after using even stricter judging standards than in the two previous years.

I find this especially meaningful because, come spring, two of my daughters will graduate from number one Berea College.

But — does this have some meaning for us at SSU?

Ah yes, my friends, there is a moral to every story.

I'm sure you have heard this tale before. Some instructors believe the Appalachians at SSU (make that hillbillies to the uneducated) aren't smart enough to handle the type of material used at other, more prestigious schools.

There seems to be some question about our mental capacities and therefore courses are supposedly being geared to our lower mentalities.

Quite frankly, I can't disagree too strongly with that line of reasoning.

I believe SSU is already on its own path to greatness.

I say this with a great deal of pride. Not just because I'm a SSU graduate and a SSU student, nor because my wife is a SSU graduate, nor that my son has been a SSU student, nor even that a third daughter is a SSU freshman.

SSU is heading for its own greatness and here's the reason I think our Appalachian students can compare to the best.

Number one Berea College is located in Berea, Ky., in the heart of Appalachia, not far southwest of Portsmouth. Berea's primary service area includes counties in southern Ohio and northern Kentucky. Because Berea limits its 1,500 student enrollment primarily to poor students from its service area, with just a sprinkling of other students from throughout the world, these students should seem quite familiar.

Yes, these number one rated Appalachians at Berea are some of the same hillbillies as here at SSU.

In fact, some of the students who make Berea number one are SSU graduates — I know, because one of my daughters at Berea is a SSU graduate. And she is doing quite well, thank you.

None of this is to say SSU can put itself up alongside number one Berea. No, SSU can't bask in Berea's glory. That honor has yet to be earned. But SSU is just beginning as a university — Berea has had 133 years to obtain greatness.

Still, the greatness seed at SSU has already been planted.

Consider SSU's 100 percent pass rate in the registered nurse's recent state testing? As compared, for instance, to Ohio State University's nursing graduates with about a 20 percent failure rate.

Graduates of SSU allied health programs have been so successful, we almost have accepted their successes as the norm.

As another example, our own Open Air staff has won so many honors I have lost track of them. Some of the recent awards have been won in competition with universities such as Purdue, Vanderbilt and Mississippi State, where our newspaper equaled or bettered newspapers in these established four-year schools.

And SSU doesn't even have a journalism program to train this award-winning newspaper staff.

According to U.S. News, Berea has not veered from its commitment to educate the students of Appalachia who have great academic potential and small economic resources.

Now is the time for SSU's faculty and administration to make that same commitment.



Truman Throckmorton is a Fine Arts Humanities major and is The Open Air Copy Editor. He has an AIS degree from SSU. He also is a graduate of Portsmouth Interstate Business College and attended Eastern Carolina College and Ohio State University.

## "Non-traditional" students invited to round table

Commentary by

Lois Webster

OA Features Editor

The "non-traditional" student is often returning to college several years after high school graduation.

Many of these students are women who are attending classes for various reasons. Some of these women are divorced and are in need of job skills to re-enter the working world. They find that attending college is necessary to keep their family independent of social programs. Other women may find the need to work simply to augment the family income.

The men of this age group who are attending college may do so to become better equipped with skills which will help them attain better positions. Some are returning to college with the

goal of changing careers.

Whatever the reason for older students on the SSU campus, this group has a set of problems unique to their age group. Those students who have children must find suitable day care. Those students who have families and work while attending college must juggle schedules between family, employer and classes.

And there is the continuous shortage of cash.

There is often need of both moral and social support for this growing group of mature students, up 8 percent over last year.

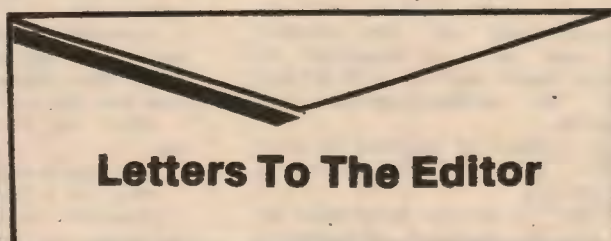
In an effort to meet this need, a newly formed organization called Bear's Roundtable, will meet at noon Mondays in the student activities suite, Room 214, Massie Hall.

Any student interested in issues involving older students is invited to attend.

Commentary by

Lois Webster

OA Features Editor



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## Instructor thinks, SSU students great!

To the Editor

I've been a member of SSU's part-time faculty since the fall quarter of 1987. It has been an unusually satisfying experience.

In my long career as an educator I have been an assistant kindergarten instructor in Heidelberg, Germany (where I discovered that even kindergartners do not speak beginning German), co-conductor of a reading workshop in Fairbanks,

Alaska, for 25 years an instructor in colleges and universities in Morristown, Tenn., Knoxville, Tenn., Ironton, Ohio and finally SSU.

I've been privileged to work with some of the finest young people in these United States and I am proud to say that I have met no finer, no more responsive, no more learning-oriented students than right here at SSU! It is truly a university of the future.

The Open Air is a delightful, provocative

newspaper. May you continue to grow and to convey the forward thinking of the student body of this institution.

Owedia Johnson, Ph.D.  
SSU Instructor

•Editor's Note: Neither the writer of this unsolicited letter nor the writer of the related commentary were aware of the other's comments and have never met.



## SSU student wins Slim-to-Win contest

By Melissa Caraway  
OA Staff Writer

Sarah Carpenter lost 41 pounds in 13 weeks.

"I went from size 36 jeans to size 24," Carpenter says.

As a result of her recent weight loss, Carpenter was the first runner up in the National Slim-To-Win Contest.

Carpenter, who lives in Oak Hill, is studying accounting and sign language at SSU.

Carpenter was working at Capitol City Products in Columbus where she fell and injured her back. She says Worker's Compensation sent her to Physicians Weight Loss Center in Portsmouth.

"I had to have two back surgeries and my husband lost his job because he had to stay home with me," Carpenter says.

After Carpenter's injury she had to lose weight to protect her injured back.

"I tried several different doctors and diets and couldn't get the weight off," Carpenter says. Then she went to Physicians Weight Loss where they told her she would soon be in a size eight. Carpenter says she didn't believe it at the time, but it happened.

Carpenter said that with the help of the nurses and counselors the diet was easy. "I was never hungry and I always ate real food," said Carpenter.

The diet Carpenter followed is a scientifically formulated weight loss program designed by a physician, registered dietician and a guidance counselor with close medical supervision. Pre-diet testing and pre-diet selection along with a strong behavioral guidance program aided the staff in preparing the appropriate diet for her, she said.

"My back injury was causing me a lot of problems," Carpenter said. "That was the motivation for my losing the weight."

Physicians Weight Loss entered Carpenter in the contest. She had to submit a letter describing her weight loss and "before" and "after" photos. Carpenter competed against 465 people from the US and Canada.

She went to Atlanta, Ga. for the final round of competition where she was named first runner-up. Carpenter won a trip to the Cayman Islands for herself and her husband.



Sarah Carpenter, first runner-up in the National Slim to Win contest. Carpenter lost 41 pounds in 13 weeks.

Photo by Charlene Edwards, OA Opinion Editor.

## Student senate stands neutral on CWA strike

by Linda Ygbuay  
OA News Editor

Student senate members were unanimous in deciding on standing neutral concerning a possible CWA strike.

At the Nov. 1 student senate meeting, Dave Nelson, senate president, suggested sending a representative to both sides' meetings to protect the students' interests. After much discussion the senate

decided not to take a stand on this issue until more information is obtained.

Dr. Paul Crabtree discussed the Great American Smoke-Out sponsored by the American Cancer Society. This is one day where smokers try to quit and non-smokers adopt a smoker and offer support during the day. Crabtree suggested ideas to help smokers quit, such as offering a "cold turkey" sandwich or other prize for trying to quit.

Crabtree also told of a crisis card that will be distributed to students. The plastic card will have emergency numbers for different agencies which may help smokers to quit smoking.

Discussion concerning the need for volunteers from the student body for various committees and ideas for how to get interested individuals into these committees was held.

The next student senate meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 8, at 4 p.m. in Room 214, Massie Hall.

The student senate is now accepting letters of application from SSU students for two student board of trustees appointments.

One will be for a one-year term and the other for a two-year term. Applications must be submitted to the student activities suite, Room 214, Massie Hall, no later than 4 p.m., Nov. 18.

The two selected students will fulfill all the responsibilities of a student trustee as required by law and the policies of the SSU

board of trustees.

Student board members will be representatives of the student body and will be expected to perform their duties with a high level of professionalism and integrity.

The letters of application must contain all of the following information:

•Proof of current enrollment at SSU and a statement of intended enrollment throughout the appointment.

•A list of experience in leadership roles.

•Academic qualifications and experience.

•Reasons for seeking the nomination and qualities possessed which the students feel qualify them for the position.

•Must be at least 18 years of age.

•Must be a resident of Ohio.

•Must be a registered voter.

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•Information furnished by Student Senate.

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## A bit of the New York spotlight at SSU

By Tim Parsley  
OA Staff Writer

A bit of the New York stage came to SSU recently.

On Oct. 27, Kelli Maguire, professional actress, singer, and dancer spoke to SSU students.

Maguire spoke about her career and philosophy of life.

Maguire, who attended Wheelersburg High School and SSU, was introduced by Emily Gulker, her SSU acting teacher.

Maguire performed to the accompaniment of a cassette recorder playing songs and with displays of acting forms scattered throughout the hour.

The performance included the title song from *Cabaret*, a comedy monologue from *Company* and an emotional rendition of "Memory" from *Cats*.

The finale was Maguire's version of a Burger King commercial. All were followed by solid applause.

Maguire paid attention to interviews and auditions. "I sometimes have up to six auditions a day," she said.

"In interviews it is very important to be confident," Maguire said. "Everyone thinks that the interviewer is going to be critical, but they really are hoping that you are going to be the answer to their dreams. They want you to be who they want and who they need."

"But still," she said, "I do not like to audition. It's kind of a love-hate relationship."

Maguire said she realizes the competition is tough. "There are 100,000 actors in New York," she said.

Two percent of those are making a good living — usually doing TV commercials. Eight percent are making an "OK" living, while the remaining 90 percent fight for the jobs that are left, she said.

Despite the competition, Maguire said she always believes in herself. "You must think," she said, "no one is as good as me, because no one else is me."

Maguire studied her craft at SSU, but does not always feel that college is necessary. "In theater, music or dance, education is a big part of it, but they'll hire you if you can do the job. As far as my experience with college, I hated every single minute of it."

Maguire has an exercise she uses to keep a positive mental attitude. "Visualize yourself as a column of energy," she said.

"You choose your aura. It can be

dull or lifeless, or you can have the most influential people in her energy around you. You control your life. "I remember one time they spent seven hours in a car waiting to see if I got a part," she said. "Thank goodness I got it!"

Shape that energy into a ball and throw the ball into the hoop, she said.

Another acting exercise, Maguire said, is to take an index card and write what a person wants to accomplish on it. Every time positive reinforcement is needed, pick up the card and read it.

Maguire considers her parents to be the subject of failure was



Kelly Maguire sings a solo of "O Caberet" at a recent lecture at SSU. Photo by Mark Richard, OA Photo Editor.

discussed, too. "It helps sometimes to fail, because then you're determined," said Dr. Jack James, sociology and psychology professor.

Maguire said she looks at it just a little differently. As she said, "Failure is never really failure, because you can learn something from it."

When she fails an audition, she said, "I stand in front of a mirror and try to see what the others saw that cost me the job."

For the past two months, Maguire has lived in New York City. She has been in a Gillette commercial and a Japanese mini-series. She said the male lead in the mini-series was considered the "Japanese Rob Lowe."

Maguire has auditioned for two soap operas recently, and feels good about the possibility of being chosen for a role on "One Life to Live."

But whatever happens, Kelli Maguire will continue to look for her place in the spotlight, she said.

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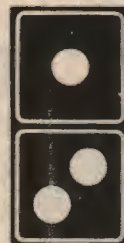
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5		5 IUPUI-Indianapolis (21)		21 - 5
6		6 St. Francis IL (20)		27 - 5
7		6 Wisconsin-Milwaukee (14)		43 - 6
8		7 Drury MO (16)		35 - 6
9		11 Georgetown KY (32)		29 - 1
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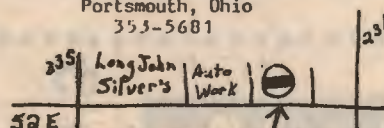
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## Booster club gives Bears boost

By Marty Cooper  
OA Sports Editor

During home basketball games the student senate will be sponsoring prizes for students who enter promotions.

To register, a student must have a valid student I.D. Some of the events are a mid-court shoot out in which the first person that hits from mid-court will win \$100. Names will be drawn to determine who will be a contestant.

Persons buying a program will automatically be in the drawing for prizes.

The booster club members said they would like to encourage all students to come to the basketball games and set in the seats behind the Bears with the SSU pep band to form a cheering group.

The Bears men's team will play four home games during November. The dates are Saturday, Nov. 12 against Walsh university and at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17 against Alice Lloyd College, at 7 p.m. There will be a dance after this game with Phil Malone. A trip for two to the Caribbean will be given away. The Bears will play Tuesday, Nov. 22, 7:30 p.m., against Cedarville College.

Dominic McKinley, who played on the 1988 Portsmouth Trojans state championship basketball team is a Cedarville team member.

The last home game in November will be Tuesday, Nov. 30 against Urbana College at 8 p.m. The womens basketball team's first game will be played against Urbana on the same evening.

There will be a SSU basketball tournament Dec. 9 starting at 6 p.m. and continuing through Saturday, Dec. 10 at 6 p.m.



The 1988 intramural volleyball championship was held Oct. 19 in the activities center with six teams playing. The championship was won by Poogo's which consisted of, left back, Tim Silvey, Gretchen Gross, Duane Spradlin, Amy Maquay, center, Grace Martin, left front Amy Yeley and Pat Thomas.

Photo by Marty Cooper, OA Sports Editor.

## Bowman's pleased with intramural program

By Brian Atwood  
OA Sports Writer

Tom Bowman, intramural sports director, has been pleased with the 1988 intramural sports program so far but it takes up most of his time, he said.

Bowman has six to eight activities going at all times in the intramural program. Some of the activities already established are wallyball, bowling, volleyball, basketball, and football. Football is still in competition and wallyball has two more weeks of competition.

The intramural pool tournament starts Thursday, Nov. 3.

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## Extravaganza coming to activities center Nutcracker opens Dec.

By Natalie Rockwell  
OA Guest Writer

Are you curious about what has been going on at SSU during recent weekends? People wearing sweats have been seen going in and out of Massie Hall.

What you saw were the dancers and performers of the ballet The Nutcracker, which is to be performed Dec. 1-3 in the activities center.

The first two performances will be for area school children; the third performance will be for the general public.

The auditions for the 60 member cast were held in May. The cast has been practicing for the last 10 weeks.

The cast does not include the off-stage and behind-stage help which according to Kristi Cook, who is a performer and the group's publicist, are just as important as the performers themselves. The ballet has been in planning for eight to 10 months and has a budget of \$25,000, Cook said.

The activities center holds approximately 1,700 people. Marcia Tackett, arts and humanities secretary, who is responsible for handling reservations, said there were reservations for 2,403 people as of Oct. 25.

More than 5,000 school children will watch the performance. Teachers are prepared for any questions about the show, with information packets provided by the ballet. These include information on the historical background of the ballet, the music and also a background on the local performers.

Rules for watching a live ballet are included, since this may be the first opportunity for many of the students to see a ballet.

Emily Gulker, SSU associate professor of speech, is the ballet's arts manager and producer. Elizabeth Schneider, owner of Bon et Fidele Dance Studio, is the choreographer and artistic director.

There are many things that are new about this year's performance, Cook said. The sets, designed by Orville Ramey, are different.

New also is the addition of a puppet stage designed by Kay Deitchel, a well-known local artist and a sixth grade teacher at Valley Intermediate School.

There will be a short puppet show during the ballet using puppets made by Cook.

There are many new costumes as well as two brand new characters which were added this year, Cook said. The first act is a little longer than last year, with more of the ballet's original music, she said.

The presentation is supported by the Bess and Marie Pixley Fund, administered by the Scioto County Area Foundation.

For more information on The Nutcracker, call Tackett at 355-2300.

## Bon Jovi brings New Jersey to the world

By Scott Dickison  
OA Entertainment Editor

It's been two years since Bon Jovi released their Slippery When Wet album. After all of the success of this last album they were concerned about their next album.

Bon Jovi's follow-up album New Jersey, which is in the store's right now, is already topping the charts. They didn't want to record an album which sounded as if they threw it together in a hurry, so the entire band took a two-week vacation in Hawaii so they could rest up for all of the hard work ahead.

You're probably wondering why Bon Jovi has titled their new album New Jersey. Well the band

is from New Jersey. Jon Bon Jovi was born in New Jersey where he began his career in music when he was 15. He has come a long way from New Jersey — today he is bringing New Jersey to the world.

Bon Jovi has already released "Bad Medicine" which is really great. It's just one of several hits to follow off one of the best Bon Jovi albums yet.

Bon Jovi will be finishing up their European tour within the next month and a half. Then in December they'll go home for the holidays.

But after the holidays are over, it won't be over for Bon Jovi. They will fly off to Tokyo and then Hawaii. Things will die down a bit after the Hawaii concerts and Bon Jovi will perform throughout the rest of the U.S. next summer.



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## Commentary by

Linda Ygbuhay

## OA News Editor

Since election day is nearly upon us, voters, including students at SSU, have a difficult decision to make. Regardless of your political party, it comes down to choosing a candidate who is going to do the most for not only the U.S., but SSU and ourselves.

It is extremely difficult due to the fact of this being an issueless campaign at a time when every area of our government needs improvement.

When it comes to a strong military force, the Democratic Party has better ideas on how to manage the armed forces with the funds available.

Mismanagement of funds under the Republicans has caused the swelling of the budget. Everyone has heard of the several hundred dollar coffee maker and the \$500 hammer. Better management of the defense budget will result in a better equipped and more effective armed forces.

The Democratic Party not only has the programs but the advantages of both the presidential and vice-presidential nominees being qualified and experienced.

The Democratic Party promises more government money for education, worker training and the rebuilding of the nation's decaying highway and transit systems. Democratic presidential candidate Micheal Dukakis calls for a modest \$500 million to the Fund to Rebuild America, to provide government grants for regional economic development, like this area for instance, to bring industries and businesses here with government funds.

Dukakis is also against major corporation mergers which form monopolies. He considers this as "anti-competitive." Dukakis also chides former Attorney General Edwin Meese for not knowing the difference between "antitrust and antifreeze."

The Democratic Party also favors automatic health insurance for workers and tougher enforcement of safety and environmental regulations. This is close to home with so many plants on the Ohio River and in this area.

Of the two candidates, Dukakis would do more to protect ailing businesses, with temporary relief to help them get back on their feet. He also believes in America investing in their businesses, with monies for plants, equipment and worker retraining.

The Democratic Party, with its nationalist talk, feels U.S. companies are the victims of unfair

foreign trade practices. Japan, in particular, is accused of barring American imports and dumping Japanese products in the U.S. at prices below cost of production. It feels American industry needs to be protected with quotas and higher tariffs.

The Reagan boom, for all its success, has not reached all four corners of the U.S. evenly. This is something Dukakis stresses. He declares the "rich are richer, the poor have gotten poorer and

those in the middle have gotten squeezed."

This belief is reinforced by California Democratic congressman George Miller, who chairs the committee dealing with family problems, who says, "We are creating a dumbbell. The poor are poorer and there are more of them. The rich are richer and there are more of them."

Today, 55 percent of American households owe more than they own in financial assets. This is a shocking revelation, especially since SSU students are here to learn trades and occupations with the purpose to be able to be financially secure. With this in mind, everyone should sit back and contemplate what is really important in this country.

And when you do, your decision will be to vote Democratic.

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## Republican party has best set of values

## Commentary by

Alice Kimbler

## OA Staff Writer

Election Day, Nov. 8 — We the people of Shawnee State University, along with the rest of the people of the United States of America, will be voting for the political party of our choice — voting for the candidates who best represent and express our values — candidates who will take a stand on issues facing America — which would protect our interests.

The Republican Party has programs which will benefit college students. The Republican Party believes education is the key to America's future. The Republican Party is in favor of continued funding of the college work-study program, expansion of the income-contingent loan program and continuation of grants to low-income students. Also the Republican Party wants to provide special attention to those with special needs so they may wipe out illiteracy.

I believe the Republican Party is the political party which has the best set of values and principles and will be looking out for our interests.

When Ronald Reagan and George Bush took office in 1981, they made dramatic changes. They strengthened our military and they modernized it. They brought back our pride by using America's military might with purpose to stop the spread of Communism and to punish international terrorism. And it worked — the Soviets came back to the arms control table and together worked out an historic arms control agreement. And the beginnings of peace and freedom have come to Afghanistan and are coming

to Angola.

Bush, the GOP nominee for president, has made the commitment

to America's elderly. The elderly of this country can rest assured the Republican Party will protect their Social Security benefits.

The Republican Party recommitments to clean up pollution and protect the environment of the land we love.

The Republican Party supports a human life amendment with consideration being given to the life of the mother, or the woman whose life has been affected by rape or incest. The amendment supports alternatives to abortion — especially adoption — and favors streamlining the adoption process and making adoption a superior alternative to abortion.

The Republican Party wants to stage an all-out war against AIDS, the disease — not against people. Parents, students and people of America need to be educated about AIDS to protect themselves from it and to prevent it from spreading further. Under the Republican regime, U.S. Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, sent AIDS information packets to every mailbox in America.

The Republican Party will push for a federal death penalty for murderers, traitors and drug kingpins. It will support mandatory prison terms for drug pushers and will take the lead to ensure violent prisoners are kept behind bars.

The Republican Party will work to balance the budget, not by raising taxes, but by cutting spending. It is important to remember — the president does not control the deficit; the party who has the majority in the U.S. Congress and the Senate, whether it be Republican or Democrat, has

control of government's spending.

The Republican Party believes nuclear war should be avoided at any cost, however, it should be done through strength and not laying down of our arms or weakening our defenses.

The Republican Party will use military force to protect American lives. The Republican Party will keep America's military defenses strong — so America can negotiate with the Soviets from a position of strength. The Republican Party wants to keep America free, safe and moving forward.

Now, the Republican Party's job is to build the kind of government that will serve the people effectively, economically and ethically.

For continued peace and prosperity of our nation and for a better America, we need to endorse the Republican ticket on election day, November 8. Vote Republican.

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