



Congressman Lindsay Speaks At Third Commencement



Commencement speaker John V. Lindsay receives his honorary doctor of laws degree from Chancellor D. B. Varner at Oakland University's commencement April 24.

Congressman John V. Lindsay, Republican of New York, was the speaker at Oakland University's third commencement on April 24, when 211 students were awarded degrees, eighteen with honors.

Speaking on the Vietnam situation, the young liberal called for a national debate on this country's foreign policies. In his remarks he discussed the alternatives in Vietnam, and suggested reunification of Vietnam as the possible key to peaceful settlement. He went on to propose the creation of an international commission to sponsor negotiations and to supervise a truce.

Receive Honorary Degrees

Following his address to an audience of several thousand persons, honorary degrees were conferred upon Lindsay, along with Meyer Schapiro, Columbia University professor, and Roy Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Schapiro is an internationally recognized authority on medieval and modern art, and has been on the Columbia faculty since 1928. Wilkins has been a leader in the civil rights movement for many years, and executive secretary of the NAACP since 1955.

First Wilson Awards

The colorful ceremony was also the occasion for the first presentation of the Alfred G. Wilson and Matilda R. Wilson Awards for outstanding graduates. First recipients of the annual awards were Christine R. Kifer, Warren, and Anthony Cornellier, Rochester, who received Wilson Award medallions and \$100 cash awards for "having made outstanding contributions to the life of the University through scholarship, student leadership, and the expression of responsibility in the solution of social problems."

The commencement ceremony was followed by a reception, sponsored by the Friends of Oakland University, in the Oakland Center.

Expect Sellout on Festival Tickets

Following announcement of an expanded season and a stunning list of soloists, ticket sales for Oakland University's 1965 Meadow Brook Music Festival quickly reached the midpoint of what promises to be a sellout for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra concerts.

By May 1 the \$9 season tickets were sold out for Thursday and Friday nights, with some still available for Saturdays. Fifteen dollar seats are available for all evenings.

Concert-goers will be "sitting pretty" this year as the result of a gift of \$50,000 from the Kresge Foundation for installation of permanent seats in the Baldwin Memorial Pavilion. Also announced by Meadow Brook general chairmen Mr. and Mrs. Rinehart S. Bright, was an additional gift of \$28,210 from Mr. and Mrs. George T. Trumbull for a permanent building to house food services and the Scholar

Shop, designed by O'Dell, Hewlett and Luckenbach, to be located adjacent to the Pavilion. The Trumbulls supplemented a previously announced gift of \$50,000 for this purpose to make possible a building in keeping with the beauty of the pavilion and its surroundings.

Featured soloists appearing with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, directed by Sixten Ehrling, will be violinist Isaac Stern, July 8-9-10; soprano Phyllis Curtin, July 15-16-17; pianist Claudio Arrau, July 22-23-24. Robert Shaw will be guest conductor on July 29-31, with Thursday and Friday performances with the Meadow Brook School Adult Chorus and soloists Saramae Endich, Florence Kopleff, Blake Stern and Kenneth Smith. Violinist Mischa Mischakoff will be soloist Saturday.

Pianist Sylvi Lin will be the featured soloist August 5-6-7, and bass Jerome Hines, August 12-13-14.

New Administrative Structure Approved by Board

This month the University put into effect a new administrative structure approved by the Board of Trustees in April.

Since its opening in 1959, the University's academic departments have been organized under the Divisions of Humanities, Science and Engineering and Social Science. The new structure will establish a College of Arts and Sciences, and Schools of Education, Engineering, Business and Economics, and Performing Arts.

To Better Serve Students

According to Chancellor D. B. Varner, the former pattern has functioned well in the University's first six years, but the new structure will enable the institution to better serve its rapidly growing student body. OU experienced a 22 percent growth last fall to 1812 students, and is expecting another 27 percent increase to at least 2300 students by next fall.

"Oakland University is no longer a small liberal arts college, but is rapidly emerging as a middle-sized university," Varner noted. "In this situation, we believe the new arrangement will help us preserve the emphasis on a quality undergraduate program while providing for the growth and development of the professional programs."

O'Dowd, Provost

Under the reorganization, the Board approved the appointment of Donald D. O'Dowd, dean of the University, as Provost. O'Dowd joined the OU staff in 1960, and has been dean for the past four years.

George T. Matthews, associate dean for the humanities division and professor of history, was named dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Matthews has also been on the OU staff since its opening in 1959, and has served in his present position since 1961.

Laszlo J. Hetenyi, who has been on the OU faculty since 1960 and has served as professor and chairman of teacher education since 1961, will become dean of the School of Education.

Gibson, Engineering Dean

William G. Hammerle, professor and chairman of the engineering science department, will serve as acting dean of the School of Engineering until September 1, when John E. Gibson, newly-appointed dean will arrive on campus. Hammerle is also one of the original faculty members, and has directed the engineering science program since 1963.

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man of the mathematics department, will serve as acting chairman of the math department until August 1, when the newly-appointed Philip Johnson will assume the chairmanship. McKay will continue on the faculty as professor of mathematics.

Lowell R. Eklund, associate dean of the Division of Continuing Education since 1958, will be dean of the Division of Continuing Education. He will continue as director of the Mott Center for Community Affairs.

J. Duncan Sells, who has been associate dean of the University for the past year, will become Assistant Provost. He joined the OU staff in 1961 as dean of students.

To Be Implemented Later

According to Chancellor Varner, the schools of Business and Economics and Performing Arts will not be implemented immediately. The School of Performing Arts will represent a further step toward OU's announced plans to provide a complete center for the arts. It will be built around the successful Meadow Brook Music Festival and the summer music program, to be launched this year in connection with the Festival.



Honorary degree recipients, from left, Roy Wilkins, John V. Lindsay, and Meyer Schapiro.

Gibson From Purdue

John E. Gibson, the new dean of the School of Engineering, will come to Oakland University from Purdue University, where he is professor of electrical engineering and director of the Information Systems Laboratory. He will join the staff on September 1.

A leading researcher in the automatic control field, Gibson is currently conducting major research projects under sponsorship of the National Science Foundation, Air Force, Purdue's Jet Propulsion Lab, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

The new engineering dean did his undergraduate work at Rhode Island State, and received his master's and doctorate at Yale. He has taught at Yale and has been at Purdue since 1957.

Friends Elect Officers

At their annual meeting on May 4, the Oakland University Friends of Kresge Library elected Leonard T. Lewis, Birmingham, as president, succeeding Carl F. Ingraham, also of Birmingham.

James L. Howlett, Pontiac, was elected vice president and Mrs. W. Edwin Mosher, was reelected secretary-treasurer.

The annual dinner meeting was held in the Kresge Library, and featured an address by Richard Harwell, Bowdoin College librarian and noted Civil War scholar. More than 100 members attended.

The NEWS will be published bi-monthly to inform the friends and supporters of Oakland University of the progress being made at this institution. Names will be added to the mailing list upon request to the Editor.

Faculty & Staff Notes

Twelve OU faculty and staff appointments were approved by the Michigan State University Board of Trustees in March and April.

G. Philip Johnson, associate professor at the University of the South, was named professor and chairman of mathematics; *Harry T. Hahn*, director of instruction for Oakland Schools, appointed professor of education; *Herbert Schuel*, postdoctoral fellow at Northwestern, appointed assistant professor of biology; *Lawrence B. Friedman*, now completing his doctorate at Harvard, appointed assistant professor of chemistry; *Samuel B. Thomas*, teacher in the Forest Hill High School in New York, appointed assistant professor of history; *Marilyn L. Williamson*, OU editor in 1963-64, appointed assistant professor of English; *Richard W. Brooks*, completing his doctorate at the University of Minnesota, appointed instructor of philosophy; *Gerald C. Heberle*, completing his doctorate at Ohio State University, appointed instructor of history; *David W. Mascitelli*, completing his doctorate at Duke University, appointed instructor of English; *Virindra M. Sehgal*, graduate teaching associate at Wayne State University, appointed instructor in mathematics; *Corey M. Van Fleet, Jr.*, Birmingham Seaholm swimming coach, appointed assistant in physical education; and *Frederick E. Endelman*, member of the U. S. Army Audit Agency staff, appointed auditor.

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Lowell Eklund, dean of the Division of Continuing Education, has been appointed chairman of a special ad hoc committee of the National University Extension Association to maintain liaison with the American Alumni Council for continuing education of alumni.

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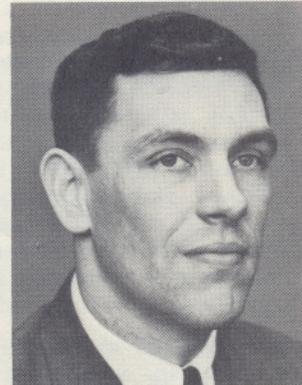
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Meadow Brook Ball Set for June 12

The fifth annual Meadow Brook Ball will be held June 12 at the elegant Meadow Brook estate of Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson. Co-chairmen for this most successful benefit are Mrs. William T. Gossett and Mrs. R. Jamison Williams, who have organized the invitational affair since its beginning.

The \$100 per couple evening has been both an elegant social event and a major source of support for the Oakland University Scholarship Fund. Last year the proceeds were approximately \$35,000.

In this and previous years Mrs. Wilson has offered her home and grounds for the party.

Macomb Committee Contributes \$7,000

The Macomb County Scholarship Committee this spring contributed \$7,000 to the University's Scholarship Fund as the result of its most successful Town Hall series.

Mrs. LeRoy Howard, chairman of the Macomb County Committee, presented the check to Chancellor D. B. Varner at the final program of the 1964-65 series. Next year the Committee plans to initiate a second Town Hall series in Warren.

This year's contribution from the Macomb Committee brought its total support of the Scholarship Fund to more than \$22,000 since 1961.

Scholar Shop Open Year-Round



Volunteer workers ready the new Scholar Shop, which is open on a year-round basis. Left to right are Mrs. W. Richard Walsh, Mrs. William A. Taylor, Mrs. Clement Jensen and Mrs. Robert Backstrom.

The Oakland University Scholarship Committee this spring launched its first year-round fund raising project—the Scholar Shop—which offers an array of unusual gift items.

Located in the lower level of the Oakland Center, the Shop has received an enthusiastic response from students, staff and area residents. Merchandise from all parts of the world include Scandinavian crystal, oriental prints, handwoven articles, handwrought jewelry and many other items.

The Shop, which is operated by volunteer workers from the Scholarship Committee, is open from 11 a.m. un-

til 4 p.m. on Mondays through Fridays.

During the Meadow Brook Music Festival the Scholar Shop will be operating in new headquarters provided in the Trumbull Terrace, a permanent service building located adjacent to the Baldwin Memorial Pavilion. The hours will be from 6:30 p.m. until after the concert so that persons attending the concerts may visit the shop.

It will also be open on Wednesdays from noon until 4 p.m., with lunches also available in the new Trumbull building.

All proceeds from the Scholar Shop go into the OU Scholarship Fund.

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