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Money woes force tuition hike, enrollment cut

Administrators plan for 15 percent fewer students

By CATHERINE KAZA and BOB MC MURRAY
Staff Writers

Enrollment must be significantly cut to cope with consistent state underfunding, according to top administrators.

"The university would have to shrink enrollment by 15 percent in order to bring it in line with state appropriations," said President Joseph Champagne at a March 9 board of trustees meeting.

"We have grown in the market share of students but not in the share of state money," said Champagne. The university receives three percent of the state's budget for higher education, as in 1976, but its student population share has increased from 4 to 5 percent.

THE ABSENCE of enrollment-based funding, which was used from 1975 to 1979, is the cause of the discrepancy, according to Provost Keith Kleckner.

Kleckner discussed the university's state funding history and enrollment models at a University Senate meeting in late February.

When the state went into a recession in 1980, formula funding was put to the side. At the same time, disparities in the growths of institutions began to develop, Kleckner said.

Oakland fell on the losing side when its enrollment increased, while others' decreased. Kleckner said

politically, there has been "no attempt to correct the imbalance."

The university received about \$3,289 per full-time student from the state in 1987-88, based on budget predictions. The rest of the \$5,575 budgeted per student consisted mainly of tuition and fees, and other revenue.

THE STATE'S recent 3/4 percent agency cut helped bring the university's budget problem to the forefront. "The real problem is what is being proposed for next year," said Kleckner. "This is one that is really serious."

The state is considering making the cut permanent, as well as not renewing \$317,000 of one-time enrollment money. The result is a 1 percent increase in state money on a reduced base, Kleckner said.

Since it is "clear it will not be a favorable budget, (we've) got to make some drastic change," Kleckner said.

Tuition is increasing nearly 10 percent in spring, but reduced enrollment is also necessary, administrators believe.

"A shrinking student body is what the public is asking of (the) institution," said Kleckner.

At the board meeting, Champagne said the univer-



Joseph Champagne

Spring increase almost 10 percent

By BOB MC MURRAY and THERESA GEORGE
Staff Writers

The board of trustees approved a tuition increase of nearly 10 percent for spring semester at its March 9 meeting.

The average 9.67 percent increase is a \$5.50 increase per credit hour for in-state freshmen and sophomores, from \$51 to \$56.50. For juniors and seniors, the increase is \$6.25, from \$58.50 to \$64.75.

TUITION HAS increased 126 percent in the past decade. For in-state freshmen and sophomores, the cost per credit hour in 1978-79 was \$25.

President Joseph Champagne said the hike was necessary to offset fewer state appropriations. The spring increase will provide about \$178,000.

Board chairman David Handleman said decreased enrollment was a small factor.

Students, while not enthusiastic, generally accepted the increase. "If the cost of education has gone up and the cost is justified, I don't have a problem with it," said senior Karla Mercer.

Sophomore Sheralee Lange said the increase wouldn't affect her that much, but it would her parents, who pay most of her tuition.

Marge Renny, junior, said she is going to move off campus next year because of the hike. "In order for me to get through school I'll have to sacrifice. I think students have the right to know where all this extra money is going," she said.

TRUSTEE STEPHAN Sharf recommended the board limit tuition to pressure the state to switch to formula funding, which matches enrollment to appropriations. Presently, funding is set at certain percentage levels. Most schools' enrollments have decreased, resulting in more money per student, while Oakland's has grown.

Commenting on the increase, Sharf said, "It might not look like much, but if a person doesn't have the money, it's a lot."

Students agreed. Senior Jennifer Carey said, "My mother pays for my tuition and hiking it up again is going to be a pain, along with other expenses. I don't feel that even with the tuition hike, it is going to make it any easier for me to get the classes I need to graduate."

Besides the tuition increase, administration is also forming a proposal to cut enrollment by 15 percent, in order to maintain present standards with available money.

MERCER WASN'T surprised by the tuition raise. "I was ready for the tuition increase because many other Michigan universities have increased their tuition while cutting their programs. Somewhere down the road, someone has to pay for this."

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Former president speaks on campus

Carter encourages involvement from students

By WENDY WENDLAND
Editor in Chief

College students, who are educated and "far richer than 95 percent of all the people on earth," should fight for what they believe in, according to Jimmy Carter, the 39th president of the United States.

College is the time to act, Carter, 64, said. "You are more free than you will ever be in your life."

The former president spoke before more than 1,100 people in the Oakland Center Crockery March 9. His 1 1/2 hour lecture came after a press conference and private luncheon at Meadow Brook Hall.

CARTER SAID his 21-year-old daughter Amy is "personally determined to stop apartheid in South Africa, bring peace to Central America and keep the CIA performing in the bounds of the law."

While Carter admitted Amy, who's been arrested two times, may be an extreme example of participation, he said young people need to get involved.

Carter, who served one presidential term before being defeated in 1980 by Ronald Reagan, said he rarely speaks at universities. The Georgia native said he only speaks at two per year and that he prefers smaller, less prominent schools where his presence may help.

DURING HIS lecture, Carter spoke about several major issues during his presidency, among them the Iranian hostage crisis.

On Nov. 4, 1979, Iranian militants took over an American embassy in

Teheran. In return for the hostages, militants demanded Shah Reza Pahlavi, who was in the United States for medical treatment, be sent to Iran.

The United States refused to release the Shah. After months of negotiations, the military attempted to rescue the hostages. The attempt was widely referred to as an embarrassing disaster after several of the helicopters failed to reach the destination. The hostages were not freed until Reagan's inaugural day in 1981.

"If I could change one thing (about my presidency), I would have sent one more helicopter," said Carter during the question and answer part of his lecture.

"That was the most difficult year of my life. I knew I had to do two things, one, protect our country's honor, and two, bring back every single hostage. I felt like every one of the hostages were a part of my own family...I'm just grateful they did come back safely."

WHEN CARTER was in office, he was credited with bringing peace to the Middle East with the 1978 Camp David accords. The accords brought Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin together, and formed the beginning of a peace treaty between the two countries.

The situation has deteriorated, Carter said. "The last seven years have been a waste of time...the only thing we've done is put Marines in Lebanon."

HE SAID the Marines serve no useful purpose in Lebanon, and the United States should be working toward bringing peace to the region. He praised U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz's recent ef-

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Former President Jimmy Carter lectured before 1,100 in the Oakland Center Crockery March 9. His visit was the first of a president to the university. During his speech, he encouraged student involvement in current issues.

The Oakland Post / Art Stephenson

Lecture takes two years to organize

By WENDY WENDLAND
Editor in Chief

When Jimmy Carter spoke at Oakland last week it marked the end of a two-year process for the Student Life Lecture board.

"I know we've had presidential candidates like John Anderson and in 1968 Robert Kennedy... but this is the first time we've had a former president," said Paul Franklin, ad-

viser to the board.

FRANKLIN SAID that unlike other speakers, a former United States president brings special complications.

"We had to make sure the American flag was placed on the correct side at the press conference," he said. "(We also) were visited by the Secret Service three times."

Carter travels with three Secret

Service agents, according to Franklin, who run through the schedule to make sure an escape route is available at all times.

Franklin would not be specific on how much it cost his group to bring Carter here, but he said, "Let me put it this way, Gerald Ford charges between \$20-25,000 for a lecture and Jimmy Carter is costing us half

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The Oakland Post / Alisa Nass

Emery Pence investigates nature with two students and his daughter: (left) Amanda Schreiber, fourth grade, Amanda Pence and Angela Gumina, fifth grade.

Alumnus receives teaching award

By ALISA NASS
Staff Writer

Innovation and creative techniques recently helped university alumnus Emery Pence become science teacher of the year for state elementary schools.

The competition was sponsored by the Detroit Free Press and Michigan Science Teachers Association.

Pence, who teaches at Roper City and Country School in Bloomfield Hills, said he was in class

when he received a telephone call from Howard Stern of the MSTA. "When he said I won I was shocked, and when I told the kids they all started cheering," he said.

"I think he's the best science teacher anyone can have," said Daniel Wolfe, 11.

Geology, electricity, rocketry, testing for acids and bases and growing up, were just a few things Wolfe said he studied in Pence's science class.

At the suburban school, where Pence has taught for five years,

students must take core classes, such as English and math. Then they may choose from classes such as science, computer, French, and dance.

Pence teaches only science classes. Although the subjects offered change, some include anatomy, chemistry, electricity and current events.

"If it's presented in the right way (they (students) can talk about any subject in a mature way," said Pence.

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Downing accepts job as interim college dean

By CATHERINE KAZA
News Editor

David Downing, acting associate dean for arts and sciences, will become acting dean for the college in August, pending approval by the board of trustees.

Downing will replace Brian Copenhaver, who is leaving Oakland in late summer for the University of California-Riverside, as dean of the college of humanities and social sciences.

PROVOST KEITH Kleckner said Downing will serve as acting dean until Copenhaver's replacement is found, which could take up to one year.

A search committee for the replacement, of eight to 10 faculty and administrators, should be formed within the next week, Kleckner said.

DOWNING HAS been acting associate dean for 10 months, primarily dealing with student affairs, he said. As acting dean, he said his responsibilities will be the same as the dean, advancing the curriculum and the college. "I don't view (it) as being a caretaker," he said.



David Downing

Squirrel Road negotiations start

Negotiations with Auburn Hills on the use of 30 acres of university property to expand Squirrel Road will begin, after President Joseph Champagne received the go-ahead from the board of trustees March 9.

"I'm sure it will not be a giveaway program," said board chairman David Handleman.

According to Champagne, the city hopes the board approves a final proposal soon so it can begin work widening University Drive this spring. Work on Squirrel Road, from Walton Boulevard to Butler Road, is expected to begin later this year or early 1989.



UNIVERSITY CONGRESS REPORT

TODAY, MONDAY, MARCH 14, 1988, IN LOUNGE II OF THE O.C.; THERE WILL BE A CONGRESS MEETING AT 4:15 P.M. ALL ARE WELCOME!

State Senate Bill 583 is designed to prohibit community governments from enacting any ordinance which would regulate rent level. Oakland has a high commuter population which would be directly affected by this bill. In consideration of the Tech Park and business people moving into the area, this bill could be detrimental to Oakland Students.

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Comments on Bill 583:



A CONGRESS VACANCY WAS FILLED AT LAST MONDAY'S MEETING. WE'D LIKE TO WELCOME TO CONGRESS OUR NEW CONGRESS MEMBER CHERYL TALBOT.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Room and board rates stay same

Residence halls room and board rates for 1988-89 remained stable after approval by the board of trustees March 9. Wilma Ray-Bledsoe, vice president for student affairs, said no increase was necessary because of higher than anticipated occupancy, an ability to meet maintenance and financial obligations and efficient staff.

Fire occurs in dorm elevator

A burned-out motor was the cause of an electrical fire in the elevator in Van Wagoner last Wednesday morning, according to Public Safety. A custodian, Callie Coleman, was in the elevator when the fire started. Public Safety responded to the alarm about 9:30 a.m. and notified the Auburn Hills fire department. Coleman said she heard pop-

ping and sizzling and smelled smoke. "I was really scared and knew I just had to get out," she said.

The elevator door would not open and Coleman was stuck between the basement and first floors. A male resident heard her yell and helped her out of the elevator by prying the door open.

No fire, smoke or water further damaged the elevator or residence hall, according to Tom Dakes, head resident.

Residents were allowed back in the building by 9:50.

Video recorder stolen from CIPO

A video cassette recorder valued at \$274 was recently stolen from the campus programming office, according to Public Safety.

Forced entry was not apparent. The time of the theft is unknown.

Police information compiled by Jennifer Byrne.

Carter

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forts to ease tensions between the Palestinians and Israel as long overdue.

Carter also said he was against contra support in Nicaragua. He said statistics show that no more than one-third of the country has ever supported the war, and it has already killed 40,000 on both sides.

THE FEDERAL DEFICIT is another problem situation, according to Carter. He said drastic measures need to be taken. The country already pays \$200 billion in interest each year on the debt, money that could be used to improve many things, like education, Carter said.

"When I left the administration we were the biggest creditor on the earth, now we are the biggest debtor," he said.

Since leaving office, Carter has earned a living writing books. He also teaches at Emory University in Georgia, where he has established the Carter Center.

The center contains groups of scholars who study troubled sections of the world like the Middle East and the Soviet Union.

Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, both active Baptists, teach a Sunday school course at their hometown church. They also participate in a program called Habitat for Humanity which builds new and refurbishes old home for poor families in 250 American communities and 25 foreign countries.

Tuition

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Handleman said, "It's a distasteful motion, but we have no alternatives."

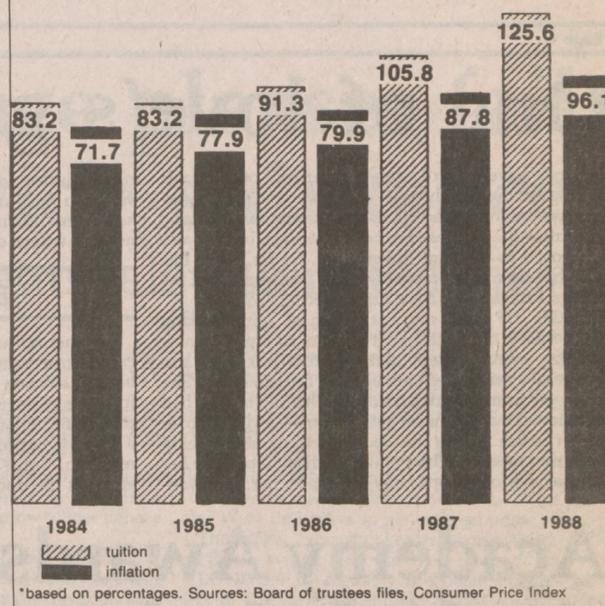
"What really hurt us were the state appropriations. It's a bad situation statewide, all the universities are increasing their tuition."

Patrick Nicosia, budget director, said Oakland is one of the first higher education institutions to raise tuition. "The others will be raising their rates for the next academic year," he said.

Veteran trustee Ken Morris abstained from voting on the increase after speaking of the need to ensure opportunities for everyone interested. "It is my belief that every time we raise tuition, there is another band of people who will never go to college," he said.

Robert McGarry, vice president for finance and administration, said no further increases were planned for summer. He said next year's tuition rates depend on state appropriations.

Tuition, inflation increases*



Lecture

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of that."

BESIDES THE speaking fee, the university had to rent about 800 chairs, pay for a private luncheon for 80 at Meadow Brook Hall and find a corporate sponsor who would provide a private jet to pick Carter up in Georgia, bring him to Michigan and then to Ball State University in Indiana, where he had another lecture scheduled.

"The biggest problem we had

was providing a private plane to pick up and deliver him," said Franklin. "If we would have had to charter a private plane it would have cost in the vicinity of \$7,000."

Franklin said the university's developmental office helped get Tom Monaghan to be the corporate sponsor and donate his Hawker Sidley, an eight-seater jet.

The plane flew to Georgia March 8 with University Congress President Kelly Martek, lecture board chair Nicole Young and Wilma Ray-Bledsoe, vice president for student affairs.

Corrections

In a front-page article about a brother and sister figure skating team Feb. 22, Olympic medalist Peter Oppegard's name was misspelled.

The Feb. 22 article on the theater major should have clarified that the issue is not yet before the board of trustees.

Last issue's review of *Emperor of the Sun* should have explained that Chiang Kai-shek was already the ruler of China during World War II.

Enrollment

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sity "cannot succeed spreading sources over (an) increasing number of students." It may have to serve fewer students, but can serve them better, he said.

UNIVERSITY DEANS and a subcommittee of the Academic Policy and Planning Committee, a branch of the University Senate, are meeting separately, eventually forming a joint proposal to reduce enrollment by 15 percent over a five-year or more period, Kleckner said. The plan could be in effect within the next year, he said, but committee members estimated several years.

Ronald Tracy, APCC chair, said his seven-person committee, appointed by the president in December, is developing a plan to lead the university into 2000. He said it "sounds like the university has decided to downsize, (but) we're not the committee that decided that."

Tracy said doing research before cutting enrollment is important. "Cost and revenue issues have to be looked at very carefully," he said.

FOR MANY, downsizing is positive. Ronald Olson, health sciences dean, said if the cut is well-planned, it has "the opportunity for positioning Oakland well."

George Dahlgren, graduate studies dean and a member of the APCC subcommittee, said there is "a great deal of fear that there will be a big change" but changes will be minor and take place during a 10- to 15-year period.

Academic programs will be looked at, some reduced, and standards raised. Eliminating programs could be suggested in the development of the plan, Kleckner said.

Anyhow, cuts will not affect the split of students, according to Kleckner. "All segments of the student body" will still be represented, he said.

Tracy said "how to do it (downsize) without affecting this is a hard one...it'll be interesting to see how this develops."

Teacher

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In his classes students, "are always presented with problems. We try to get the kids to identify what they don't know then try to figure out how they can find out," said Pence.

"We make the students not objects but active subjects in their learning," he added.

"The basis of what I am doing now was learned at Oakland," said Pence.

Pence graduated in 1972 from the university with a bachelor's degree in history.

While Pence attended Oakland, he said, classes were small and students were given "wide latitude in accomplishing it (projects)."

"Back in the seventies, the education school helped arrange different programs," said Pence.

One of these programs gave Pence the chance to teach on a Hopi reservation in Arizona.

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One of love's great mysteries is 'the boyfriend'

If love were a board game, I'd throw it off the table in disgust. Somebody must have given me the instructions to another game, I just can't seem to understand it. I know it's supposed to be mysterious, but it's also supposed to be many-splendored. So far, I feel like love has been a complete mystery. I am amazed at the things I have done for a little affection.

HIGH UP ON my list of most embarrassing moments is the time I sent flowers to a girl I knew nothing about, except that she had nice hair and beautiful eyes. I called her later on the same day. She knew me from a mutual friend — who told me she had mentioned that she never gets flowers — so I went over to her house. There she said something about being surprised when the flowers were delivered because her boyfriend is too cheap to buy flowers for her. The even-

ing concluded with a consolation prize of: "I'd go out with you but I'm pretty serious about ---" Are girls born with boyfriends? Did I miss the meeting where everyone was paired up?

Bob McMurray

Another ground-breaking embarrassing moment came on a Valentine's Day many years ago. I had bought a dozen carnations for a girl I had a crush on for three years. Somewhere I found the courage to approach her doorstep, cringing behind the flowers as if they might protect me from the hideous beast called rejection. Some lady who can barely speak English answers the door and informs me with gestures I'm

not in the right place. A **LARGE PART** of the mystery of love I have run into often is the boyfriend — as opposed to a friend who happens to be male — paradox. I have heard men complain about this and women confirm it. Given the choice, women will award the cherished title of "boyfriend" to the man who appears to want it least. A fine way of choosing a president perhaps, but I have to wonder about that logic in this instance.

I had a girlfriend once, for about eight months. That is roughly the same amount of time my best friend has not had a girlfriend, in his entire life. Tell me I'm biased, but I think she left me because I treated her too nice. Yes, she got flowers several times. I thought women liked old-fashioned guys because we're nice, not because we hit them with clubs and carry them

back to our caves. I remember my first crush, way back in kindergarten. Her name was Kelly. My sisters talked me into giving her a ring I got from a gum machine. She moved away later on during the year. She's probably married to some guy who won't send her flowers until she's dead.

SINCE THEN I've had numerous crushes on a variety of girls and women. Aside from a tendency to possess brown eyes, the only common characteristic among them has been an inability to notice my existence.

Sometimes it's hard to believe love gets such rare reviews, unless you've been in love at least once. "My feet didn't touch the ground...I laughed, at times I was afraid, other times I cried. Would I do it again? Yes."

Academy Awards overlook the best

The Academy Award nominations were announced two weeks ago and considering most of the choices, it is becoming more and more of a commercial event.

This is the 60th anniversary of the awards and while no one has ever agreed entirely with the outcomes of previous ceremonies, now they are becoming not only predictable but unacceptable.

We know this from last year when an episode of *Saturday Night Live* had comedian Bill Murray giving his own predictions of the winners.



Nick Chiappetta

DURING THIS he was talking about the Best Actor nominations and how even though James Woods was a great actor who gave the best performance in *Salvador*, he wouldn't get the Oscar.

Paul Newman, however would receive an Oscar according to Murray because the judges felt bad about not giving him the Oscar for the score of movies that he acted in.

And that is exactly what happened — Newman got it. Not because *The Color of Money* was the best movie he ever made (*Cool Hand Luke* was a much better performance) but because Newman should have received one long ago.

IT COMES AS no surprise that it is happening again. Movies that deserve to be nominated, and actors and actresses that don't even deserve consideration, have come into focus as being the best in their field.

I don't care how accurate *Broadcast News* was, it just was not that good of a movie. Not to mention that William Hurt (nominated for best actor) virtually walked through the most shallow performance of his career. The only people who deserves any recognition from that movie was Holly Hunter, who was nominated for best actress, and director James Brooks, who didn't get a nomination at all.

Speaking of nominations, Steven Spielberg, who outdid himself with *Empire of the Sun*, did not receive any nominations even though his movie received six.

But Spielberg will bounce back as he did a couple years ago when his movie *The Color Purple* walked away with the Oscars while Spielberg himself did not receive one.

The most disappointing part of all this is when those in the movie industry that should have been recognized aren't. Among this group is *Nuts* which most critics agree should have got Barbra Streisand at least some recognition, and *Roxanne*, which is by far Steve Martin's best performance since *The Jerk*.

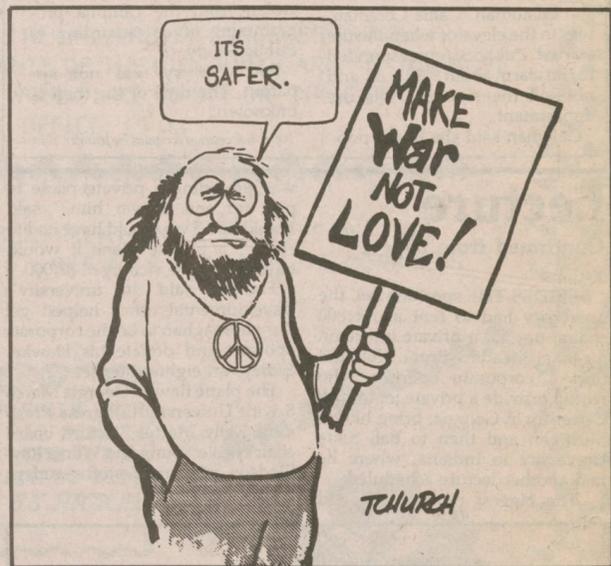
THIS WILL PROBABLY happen again. It seems that except for *Hope and Glory*, the movies were nominated solely because they were major money makers in the last quarter of the year.

The movie *Fatal Attraction* shouldn't have been considered because while it may have been a good movie in its own right, was a blatant ripoff of *Play Misty For Me*, the early 1970s movie about a radio disc jockey who has an affair with a crazy woman that wants to kill him.

The sequence of events are the same, the only difference is that Michael Douglas's character is married while Clint Eastwood's just had a girlfriend. It is so disappointing to see good entertainment go unnoticed and bad entertainment be critically acclaimed. It makes me want to say "to hell with it" and wish the Academy Awards would end all together. After all, the Oscar is only a 12-inch gold man.

It seems the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has decided to cater to a non-artistic public and give them the winners they want, instead of the ones that deserve it.

Until the Academy learns to give credit where credit is due, the televised event should at best be ignored.



Letters to the Editor

Student claims professor holds class over, makes her late

An Open letter to faculty. Dear Professor,

I would like to ask you a question. Why don't you let our class out on time? I respect your time. Why don't you respect mine? I show up on time and if the unforeseeable happens I don't disrupt the whole class when I do enter late.

I know that after class you go back to your office. But I have another class across campus. When you let us go late I am late for that class. Maybe I have a quick question about that day's lecture or maybe there is another class waiting to get in.

As for being late for my next class; did you ever try to walk from Varner to South Foundation in four minutes? How about in the snow? It's not easy. In fact I can't do it. I find myself deciding which class I can afford to miss a little of. I can't afford to miss either.

Sometimes I miss a point when taking notes, or maybe I have a quick question on my term paper. My question may only take a minute. Because I have to literally run to my next class I don't have time to ask that question. Instead I have to make a special trip to your office. This wastes your time as well as mine.

There have been numerous times when I have arrived at a classroom a little early in order to get a good seat only to find the class before mine was still there. Then the mo-

ment our class was supposed to start, the door opened and 50 people started fighting their way in or out.

So, you see, professor, your students have a big problem when you let us go late. The majority of us get to your class on time. And if we don't, we are careful not to disrupt everyone else with our tardiness. I have respect for you. Please have respect for me.

Sincerely,
Pam Butzler
senior

Student angry about school's emergency closing procedures

To the editor:

I too want to complain about Oakland's policy regarding school closure due to the weather.

On Feb. 11, my 1 p.m.-2:47 p.m. class was scheduled to have a midterm. I do not live on campus. I live in Clarkston which on an average day takes me 25 minutes to arrive at class on time.

I awoke on Thursday and listened to the weather. All stations predicted the oncoming storm. As the morning progressed I called the "hot line" and received the cheerful message that OU was still operating as usual. By 10:30 a.m. the snow was very heavy. My husband called to say I-75 was "a mess" and he warned me not to go to school using that route. Again I called the "hot line" and received the same message. I attempted to call my professor but there was no answer at his office.

By 11:45 a.m. I decided I'd better

head out early. I left my house, traveled down the treacherous Dixie Hwy and turned on Walton, heading for Rochester. I was nervous, sweating and I kept calling OU (I have a car phone) and kept getting that ridiculous recording saying everything was fine. (Sure wish a real person would be available.) On Walton I encountered a three car pile up and the entire line of traffic I was in had to turn around and use an alternative route. I decided to take Silver Lake Road to Dixie and proceed into downtown Pontiac and head toward Rochester via University Drive.

I arrived at Varner Hall at 12:55 p.m. and was met by MANY aother students. One said he drove 30 minutes, (I'm not sure where he lives), one woman came from Marine City and another came from Roseville!

Many other students were sitting on the floor in the hall and hadn't seen the sign yet that had been put up on the door. I was angered beyond description (just ask my kids, husband and dog) to think I and practically the entire class had done the "right thing" and come only to find a note that our professor had called in and requested a note be placed on the door.

If he felt he was doing us a favor he wasn't. If we made it far enough to read the sign, it was already too late to have been to our benefit. I don't blame him for cancelling but next time could he possibly let us (especially the way off campus crowd) know?

Why not add to the "hot line" recording any classes that have been cancelled on an "iffy" day? If that is not possible then close the entire school.

Well I say you can't please everybody but safety should be first. Please make a policy that we commuter students can live with comfortably.

I hope this never happens again. I like my professor but I don't think he realized what many of his students went through that Thursday. I also want to mention that nothing was said by the professor at the next class meeting.

Name withheld by request

Reviewer reports movie inaccurately

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express concern about the accuracy of information included in the review of the movie *The Last Emperor* which appeared in the Feb. 22 issue of *The Oakland Post*. I enjoyed the movie very much particularly because of the Chinese history it portrayed. Through the experiences of *The Last Emperor* the viewer sees glimpses of the three distinct political regimes that have existed in China during this century.

For this reason it is important for any reviewer of the movie to be historically accurate in any remarks made about the movie. One of several statements in the review that troubled me was "the invasion of Chiang Kai Shek during World War II." I don't know what this means because Chiang Kai-Shek was the head of the Chinese government during World War II and had been for some years.

Another example is that the reviewer did not make clear the essential distinction between Manchus and the Chinese.

There are China scholars among the members of the Oakland faculty and many citizens of China on campus, any of whom could have been consulted by the writer of the review.

Margaret Kanost
Graduate student

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by Berke Breathed



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Carl Schurr and Jane Lowry perform leading roles *Friends*. The Alan Ayckbourn comedy plays through in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of *Absent Friends* March 20.

Audience pleaser fails to provide substance

Play represents television-like theater

By DOC ROSS
Staff Writer

Review

For those curious to see what a London West End comedy is all about, *Absent Friends* is for them.

Written by Alan Ayckbourn, "the British bard of sex and marriage," *Absent Friends* is the story of Colin, a forever optimistic, chummy little fellow whose fiancée has just drowned.

This hasn't affected his happy outlook one bit, and neither does the fact that the friends who try to cheer him up are all miserable. He looks for the good side of every disaster.

Absent Friends is funny. It was written by someone who really understands comedy, and the cast does a

good job.

BUT THE PLAY fails to offer anything beyond that. Ayckbourn has had countless hits in the West End. All of them have one or two big scenes where comic business comes to a head. All of them have just enough melancholy and sentimentality to reflect the sadness of real life.

These are the elements that have earned him the title of Britain's Neil Simon.

These also are the elements which make his plays—and West End plays in general—so unsatisfying.

The adage, "you can't knock success," encapsulates all that is wrong with the West End.

LONDON IS arguably the theater capital of the world. The variety of shows one can see any night of the week is staggering. The National Theatre, innumerable fringe theaters, dinner theaters,

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Vacation arrives just in time for students

By DAWN SCHAFFER
Staff Writer

With spring break behind them, most students are relaxed and ready to bring the semester to an end.

"From a clinical viewpoint, students are tired and they need to refresh themselves. Furthermore, they need something to look forward to—to get them through the depressing month of February," said Franklin Rice, clinical psychologist.

"It was nice to get away from grey skies and dirty slushy snow," said Diane O'Neill, senior, who visited Sanibel Island, off the coast of Florida, during her break.

JEAN ANN MILLER, program coordinator of the residence halls, agrees break comes at the right time

for students.

"It gives students a new perspective to get through those last seven weeks. It brings spring fever a little bit early. It comes at a time when the weather is the pits, and students have just taken mid-term exams. They can regroup again," she said.

"You need a week off. It would be too long of a semester if you didn't have it," said Joe Farrug, junior.

"From a scientific viewpoint, people learn best when their learning task is interrupted from time to time by a rest period," said Rice.

OTHERS TEND to agree. "In the long run I'll do better in my classes," O'Neill said.

"They (students) came back relaxed; it did the trick," said Miller.

Students who stay home can spend time with family they may not have seen for seven weeks, said Miller.

"Hopefully they can stay away from books, veg-out and sleep until 12," she said.

"I went to the bar the first night of break and a guy gave me a dozen roses. I was content for the rest of break," said Maria Post, freshman.

MILLER ADDED that some students work for a week for money to take back to school with them.

In other cases, students were spending money.

"I went to Hudson's 13-hour sale. I spent tons of my boyfriend's money!" said Diane Drabik, senior.

While in Toronto, "I spent

whatever money I could find. I returned bottles...." said Derek Farr, junior.

OAKLAND'S SPRING break falls exactly in the middle of the semester. Some students have said they wish break would be set back a week or two so the weather would be better in Florida, according to Miller.

"It's a big plus for students, they come back with new tans to show off," said Miller.

Not everybody used their break to relax.

"I was scheduled to work, but I had my tonsils out," said senior Katie Oyler, public safety dispatcher.

"We need more breaks, Easter vacation, a skip day," said Ricardo Gonzalez, sophomore.

Student chances to use tech park slowly increase

By FLORI ROSENBERG
Features Editor

As companies in the nearby Oakland Technological Park settle in, student benefits will continue to increase, according to Frank Cardimen, director of the Center of Economic Development and Corporate Services.

The 1,800 acre park in the Rochester Hills/Auburn Hills area is a center for research and high technology operations. Participating companies include Chrysler Corp., Comerica Bank and GMF Robotics.

Last November, business fraternity Alpha Kappa Psi expressed interest in the park and was able to tour one of the buildings, GKN Automotive Components. However, until more companies are settled in, group participation like

the tour is rare, said Cardimen.

INSTEAD, he said, individual students are utilizing the park through co-ops and permanent employment.

Most of the park's companies are still in the "construction mode," he said, they are not ready to reach out to large groups such as student organizations.

However, more opportunities to be exposed to the park and talk to employees will come up, according to Cardimen.

"I don't see them opening the door every week...but I see these companies as very receptive," Cardimen said.

ALPHA KAPPA PSI'S tour was meant to improve relations between the park and Oakland students, according to member Barbara Basney. She felt the tour was productive because it gave students a chance to see what they hear about in the classroom.

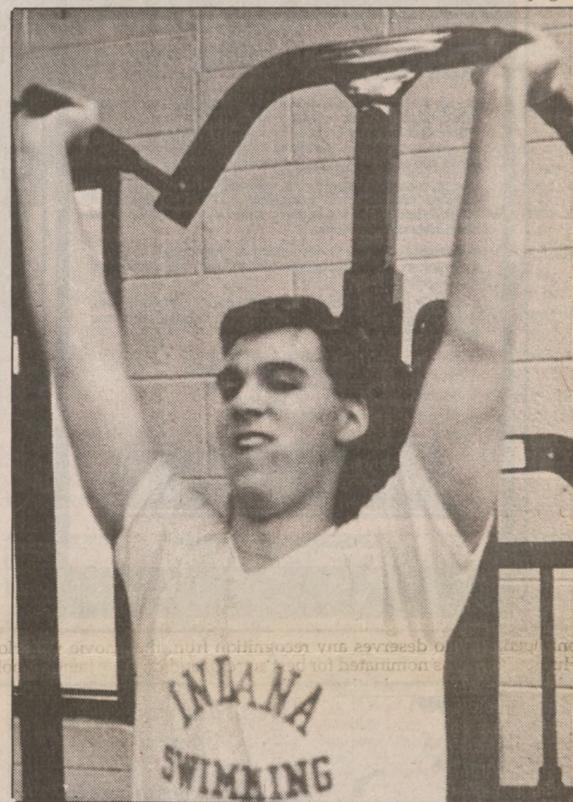
"We basically got to see everything that was over there," Basney said. That included watching workers make blue prints and computer designs, and seeing product testing. Students also toured the marketing and accounting departments.

According to Earl Sperry of Business Development for GKN, most of the companies in the park will be interested in opening their doors to students.

"The business community is very anxious to meet bright, energetic students who want to know what's going on...I'm sure the tours will be very popular," said Sperry.

MOST STUDENT organizations are waiting to hear more about the technological park.

"You don't know how far the development is already," said Tina Wink, member of Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers and the Society of Women Engineers.



Brian McIsaac works out in Lepley Sport Center's weight room. The weight room is free to students.

On-campus workouts increase as spring nears

By BETH FIELDING
Staff Writer

With spring approaching, students thoughts turn to getting in shape.

The fitness programs at Oakland are an alternative to expensive spa memberships.

Lepley Sports Center provides facilities to students, faculty and alumni including a weight-training room equipped with free weights and Nautilus equipment.

THE WEIGHT ROOM is open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. It's open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

An open gym and two multipurpose rooms are also available.

Open swimming is offered twice daily: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 9:30 to 10:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; 12 to 5 p.m. on weekends.

To use the squash court and four racquetball courts in the center, hourly reservations should be made two days in advance.

BOB LEES, assistant men's basketball coach and facilities director explained, "The majority of the building is used by students not involved in Oakland's sports programs but who understand the significance of physical fitness."

Graham Health Center provides information about nutrition and a weight control program. The health center is equipped with an exercise room and audio tapes on aerobics, stretching and toning.

For residence students, Vandenberg Hall holds aerobic classes Sunday through Thursday at 9 p.m.

Also, the exercise science department offers two-credit classes such as jogging, aerobics and weight training.

ACCORDING TO Ann Luongo, exercise health graduate assistant, the classes include lectures on

nutrition and weight control.

"The lectures make the students think. When they read the ingredients on that Twinkie wrapper maybe they will only eat one Twinkie in a week instead of four."

Brian Bilinski, general studies major, said he has used the nutritional information he learned in his exercise science classes.

WHEN HIS mother suffered a heart attack in January, he gave her his books to read and they worked together to improve their daily nutrition.

"We don't use salt anymore, and we're eating more chicken and fish. I've been explaining to my mother the importance of watching fats and cholesterol," said Bilinski who works out with weights three times a week.

Tim Gannon, graduate assistant, teaches weight training. His class covers the best way to work all major muscle groups and achieve the greatest strength gain in shortest time span, he said.

Gannon added that his class teaches fitness programs that will benefit students' health if they continue to work out throughout their lives.

STUDENTS HAVE complained class and work schedules make a regular fitness program difficult.

"I try to work out, but when I'm going to school full-time and working I just can't fit it in," said Margaret Pierce, biology major.

Communication major Nancy O'Connor takes Gannon's weight training class and appreciated the scheduled work outs. "I have to come, so I have to work out," she said laughing.

"I'll take the time off my studies," said Larry Robinson, engineering major. Robinson was first introduced to a regular fitness regime while serving in the Marine Corps. "Working out is in my blood," he said.

Quick weight loss diets result in failure

At any given time, approximately 65 million people in this country are on diets.

If you've tried losing weight and ended up gaining it back, you're not alone. Many on-again, off-again dieters deal with the frustration of this "yo-yo" effect.

The fact is, quick weight loss programs may be harmful, and won't keep you thin.

Several factors can work against the dieter. One is that the body tends to interpret severe food restriction as a "starvation" state. The body slows its metabolic rate and resists burning off fat, which is the body's stored energy.

ONCE YOUR BODY adjusts in this manner, weight loss will slow down and level off. If you then increase your food intake to pre-diet calorie levels, the body handles it as an excess, and weight will be gained.

The more this cycle repeats itself, the more difficult the regained weight is to lose.

Another thing that dieters must understand is that in the early phase of a diet, most of the weight lost is water, not fat.

As a diet progresses, especially a diet totalling less than 1,200 calories a day, muscle mass (protein) is lost as well as fat. The goal of dieting is to lose fat



Dr. Pat Rodgers

Post Scripts

(Dr. Pat Rodgers and Susan Hayden, RN, can be found at Graham Health Center).



Susan Hayden

weight without losing significant amounts of muscle tissue.

THE ONLY effective way to lose excess fat permanently is to moderately reduce calorie intake while starting an exercise program—preferably one that combines aerobic activity with spot-toning maneuvers.

A safe, effective and acceptable diet is one that provides approximately 1,000-2,000 calories daily for women and several 100 more for men. It should allow the dieter to choose from a variety of foods including breads and starches, fruits and vegetables, dairy products and protein sources.

Such a diet has several advantages: variety, balance, and a basis for developing healthy eating patterns that will keep

your weight off.

A safe diet plan should not completely eliminate a certain food group, carbohydrates for instance, or propose other gimmicks for quick weight loss.

FIGURING A SAFE calorie allotment depends on two things: your basal metabolic rate (BRM) and your activity level.

BMR dictates the number of calories necessary to maintain normal body processes, such as breathing, digestion, and heartbeat.

To estimate your BRM, multiply your current weight by 10. For example, a person weighting 150 pounds would need 1,500 calories a day to maintain basic body functions. For activity, figure an additional 30 percent of your BRM, more if you are very

active. This sum gives an approximate calorie requirement to maintain your current weight.

To lose weight, you must create a "negative energy balance;" you must consume fewer calories than you burn up. If you reduce your intake by 500 to 1,000 calories daily, you will lose roughly one to two pounds a week, all other factors remaining equal.

YOUR CALORIE intake should not drop below 1,000 calories daily.

What about supplements? Any diet which totals fewer than 1,200 calories daily probably does not provide full nutritional requirements, even when it is fairly balanced.

You may need your health practitioner's advice if you are unsure of your risk for nutrient deficiency.

WHAT ELSE can you do to help effect and maintain weight loss? Once you determine your reduction caloric intake, make sure you divide your food consumption into at least three meals a day.

"Starving and stuffing" yourself places increased digestive and metabolic demands on the body and works against weight loss.



Nearly Spring

Flip Jones and Carl Zonka enjoy the spring sunshine outside of the Oakland Center, Wednesday. A popular day to be outside, the temperature reached 55 degrees.

The Oakland Post/ Alisa Nass

What's Happening

Farther West: John Murrell's play will be presented March 18-20 and March 25-27 at Varner Studio Theatre.

The play is inspired by an actual crime in Calgary, Alberta in which a prostitute and her lover barricaded themselves in a hotel room and murdered one another.

Call 370-3013 for ticket information.

Duo Piano Recital: Joyce Adelson and Flavio Varani will perform pieces by Stravinsky and Ravel for four hands.

The concert will be at 8 p.m. Friday at Varner Recital Hall.

Japan Focus: The Center for International Programs is sponsoring a look at Japan through films, lectures and music.

The programs, which are free to the public, began yesterday and will last through Friday. They will

be held at Meadow Brook Art Gallery which is presenting its *Japan Yesterday* exhibit.

For more information call the gallery at 370-3005.

Rob Reider: The juggler, silent comic and mime will perform from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today as he walks throughout the Oakland Center.

30 Foot Banana Split: As part of Little Brother/Little Sister Weekend, the giant dessert will be provided 11:30 to 1 p.m. at St. John Fisher Chapel.

The event will be free.

Third Annual Interdenominational Lenten Service: The service will be at 7 p.m. Sunday at St. John Fisher Chapel.

There will be a reception after the service.

The Sickle Cell Problem: An Overview: Dr. Charles Whitten, director of the Comprehensive Sickle Cell Center will speak at 3:30 Friday in 235 Hannah Hall.

The lecture is free to the public.

Re-Riting the Future: Rabbi Marc

Blumenthal will speak on Jewish responses to AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).

The lecture, part of the Jewish Student Organization's Lunch and Learn series, will be at noon Wednesday in 126 Oakland Center. Call 443-0424 for more information.

Jim Trelease: The author of the *Read-Along Handbook* will discuss ways to motivate children to read more and spend less time watching television.

His lecture will be at 7 p.m. tomorrow at the Southfield Public Library.

Tickets are \$3.50. For more information call 354-9100.

Mozart, Monsters and Matisse: New York puppeteer Marshall Izen will combine music and art in the form of a puppet show which includes a friendly sea monster in the cast.

The show will be held at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday in the Detroit Youththeatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

For more information call 832-2730.

Theater

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political theater, the National even has its own fringe, and, of course, the West End.

What does the West End offer? *Singing in the Rain*, starring Tommy Steele, is in its second decade, as is Agatha Christie's *The Mousetrap*. Andrew Lloyd Weber always has some gigantic musical going.

The remainder of the theaters have pieces similar to *Absent Friends* which ensures that at least some titles in the West End change, even if the action doesn't.

In a town the size of London, where people can literally see anything they want, from Greek tragedy to avant garde weirdness, the West End has its place. It is the sit-com/variety show of theater. In Southeastern Michigan, where

theater is a rarity, it is sad that what we get is the theater world's equivalent to television.

AND FOR SOME, it's so much easier to sit at home. There are plenty of commercials so people can get up and move around or get something to eat. No one has to be quiet or get dressed up or share a large room with a bunch of strangers. And if people don't like what's on the screen, they turn it off.

If what's on the stage is hardly different to what's on the tube, why take the trouble of going out? Ah, but "you can't knock success," and Meadow Brook is very successful. So is the West End. It's the fringe that's always scrounging for money, scrambling for government grants.

Tell the people what they want, and they'll flock in droves.

Is this art for art's sake? I don't know. Who needs art, anyway? Another time, mate, another time.

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Marc Moraniec

Just thinking out loud

How's this for an idea. Next year Oakland's two basketball teams should drop out of the GLIAC and join Oakland's intramural basketball league.

OK wait! before you run over to the athletic department and try to be the first to make this profound suggestion, make sure you know the benefits that will come from such a switch.

First off, all the games would be played at home (no adventurous bus rides). The games would be played against other students, which would help in getting more students to come out to the games. Oakland's teams would have the flashiest uniforms in the league (the only one's too). Oh yeah, I almost forgot, both teams would qualify for the post-season tournament, no matter WHAT their records were.

OK, enough soup and salad, I've come to the meat of the story. If you haven't heard by now, the Pioneer hoop squads had a combined record of 43-13 this season and neither team received a bid to the NCAA Division II post-season tournament.

How can this be? The men's team finished 19-9. That's a pretty damn good record. But for the tournament selection guys it's borderline at best for entry into March madness. That's fine, I'm all for high standards, but coach Greg Kampe & company were told if certain teams lost their final games, OU would be in. Those certain teams, of course, lost, but OU still didn't get in. Wait, it gets better.

The women's team wound up with a Los Angeles Lakers type 24-4 record, an incredible season by any standards. Regardless, there was no tournament bid offered to coach Bob Taylor and his crew.

How can this be? This one is a toughy. Maybe they won too many games. Grand Valley got a bid, but they can only boast of a 20-7 record. The Pioneers should take the tournament shun as a compliment, proving the selection committee is looking for parity among the teams, even in the playoffs.

Maybe Oakland really is in the wrong conference. The GLIAC doesn't offer a post season conference tournament. That's because two of the GLIAC teams are in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. If all a league's teams are not in Division II the NCAA says no way to a conference tournament.

Look at the other Division I and II schools in our fine state for example. Michigan, Eastern Michigan, Central Michigan, and Ferris St. all have winning records and will play either in the NCAA or conference tournaments. Congrats to them.

But look at Western Michigan, 12-16, still playing in their Mid-American Conference tournament. In the first round the Broncos upset Ball St. 80-79 with a three pointer at the horn. If the Kalamazoo kids can manage two more miracles they'll get a berth in the national tournament. Must be nice.

Hillsdale College, a GLIAC school and an 85-82 loser to Oakland March 3, is an NAIA school, and in the playoffs. The Chargers put the hurt on St. Mary's, 117-99, in the first round, and if they can get past sorry Sienna Heights there's a trip to Kemper Arena in Kansas City for them. Must be nice.

Then there is the University of Detroit, which sports a 5-22 record and plays in such a friendly conference that no matter how dismal a record, a free vacation to Indianapolis is there for the players. If the Titans get hot for three games they also will qualify for the big bucks in the national tournament. Must be nice.

Even smaller schools get a taste of March madness. Oakland Community College gets to participate in the NCAA junior college playoffs. Big deal if they play in Division 7, district 69 or something, they're still in.

Basketball is a team sport. Individual awards are great for the individual, and are newsworthy, but compared to team achievements the personal accolades come in a distant second. Senior Scott Bittinger and Sophomore Brian Gregory each were named to the all-league first team. Kampe was named coach of the year in the GLIAC. In response to the award though, in light of being excluded from the tournament, Kampe said, "(The award) and 25 cents will buy you a newspaper."

The only advice I can give the two teams about this cheesy experience is this: Take a deep breath, try to bear and grin it, and go get 'em next year.

Hoop teams just miss tournament

Kampe upset over Pioneers' exclusion from Tournament

By DAVID HOGG
Sports Writer

Despite hopes for a tournament bid, the season ended for the Gentleman Pioneers March 3 with a victory over Hillsdale College.

Pioneer coach Greg Kampe had been told that if either South Dakota State University or Augustana University lost their last two games, Oakland would make the NCAA Division II tournament.

After the dust cleared Saturday night (March 6), Augustana had lost two games, and SDSU one, fueling the fire of Kampe's hopes for a playoff spot.

However, the following day when the bids were announced, Augustana and SDSU were in, Oakland was out.

Kampe wasn't happy. "I'm not really surprised, but I am upset, because we were told that we would be put in and we weren't," he said.

Despite the playoff snub, the Pioneers capped the season with three straight wins and a basket full of team and individual records.

After a Feb. 20 loss to the University of Detroit, the Pioneers reeled off three straight wins.

Scott Bittinger's 35 points paced the Pioneers in a Feb. 22 124-103 wipeout of St. Mary's College.

The hoopsters led all the way, by as many as 31 points. A late Eagle rally cut it to 21, but St. Mary's was

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The Oakland Post / Ralph Ehtinaw
John Henderson takes a shot in a Feb. 27 88-83 victory over Wayne State University.

Politics called reason for Lady Pioneers' exclusion

By MARK SPEZIA
Sports Writer

The Lady Pioneers concluded their 1987-88 campaign with two convincing wins and finished with the best overall record in the conference but still received no invitation to the post season tournament party.

The Pioneers' 24-4 record and second-place Great Lakes Conference finish were not enough to convince the selection committee that they deserved a tournament bid.

"We got ripped," said senior co-captain Sarah Knuth. "(I think) it's politics, a who knows who kind of thing."

Politics is a possible reason for OU's exclusion but no one knows for sure. Assistant coach Shawn Clemons said coach Bob Taylor is checking into the matter but, "We haven't heard why we didn't get in."

"I was really mad," said senior co-captain Kim Klein-Green, who along with Knuth closed out the final chapter in her Pioneer hoop career. "It's just so sad that everything comes down to a political decision."

Among the four teams chosen from the Great Lakes region for the tournament were Grand Valley State University and Lake Superior State University.

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Six Pioneer hoopsters honored by selection to all-conference team

By RALPH EHTINAW
Sports Editor

Although neither of the Pioneer basketball teams got a bid to the national tournament, at least they were well represented on the All-Great-Lakes-Conference teams.

The All-GLIAC team is basically an all-star team of players from the GLIAC.

Two hoopsters from each Pioneer team made the 12-player rosters. Scott Bittinger and Brian Gregory made it for the men. John Henderson received an "honorable mention." For Bittinger it was his second selection in a four-year span. Bittinger was also named GLIAC player of the year.

Sarah Knuth and Debbie Delie made the All-GLIAC roster in the women's division, with Kim Klein-Green picking up an honorable mention. Knuth has been selected all-GLIAC twice before. Klein-Green also made the all-GLIAC defensive team.

NMU makes pitch to Lions to hold training camp there

By RALPH EHTINAW
Sports Editor

The Detroit Lions are considering a proposal from Northern Michigan University to move their summer training camp from Oakland to Marquette.

Northern apparently has just as much to offer the Lions as Oakland, maybe more. NMU has one of the three official U.S. Olympic training facilities in the country and is constructing a new \$21 million sports

Men's coach Greg Kampe took coach-of-the-year honors in the nine-team GLIAC. Kampe, disappointed about missing the post-season tournament, said about the award, "That and 25 cents will buy you a newspaper."

The complete rosters follow:

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|---------------------|----------------------------|
| men | women |
| Eric Allaire, HC | Tammie Anderson, NMU |
| Scott Bittinger, OU | Rose Antrim, GVSU |
| Lake Cosby, NMU | Debbie Delie, OU |
| Mike Davis, GVSU | Brenda Eiseler, SVSU |
| John Gilbert, LSSU | Vicki Hill, LSSU |
| Brian Gregory, OU | Lisa Horne, SVSU |
| Marcus Kennedy, FSU | Sarah Knuth, OU |
| Rod Ruth, MTU | Sue Mayes-Scott, SVSU |
| Herb Schoepke, SVSU | Jill Meerman, GVSU |
| Jarvis Walker, FSU | Gwen O'Connor, LSSU |
| Hank Woodmore, WSU | Sandy Skaisgir, HC |
| | Teresa Watwood, LSSU |
| | All-defensive team: |
| Jarvis Walker, FSU | Kim Klein-Green, OU |
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| John Gilbert, LSSU | Susan Polus, GVSU |
| Lake Cosby, NMU | Teresa Watwood, LSSU |

Final GLIAC standings												
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Conference		Overall		Conference		Overall		Conference		Overall		
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Wayne	12	4	2	20	8	Oakland	13	3	½	24	4	
Oakland	11	5	3	19	9	Lake Superior	13	3	½	22	4	
Grand Valley	8	8	6	18	10	Sag Valley	12	4	2	22	6	
Lake Superior	7	9	7	15	12	Hillsdale	5	11	9	13	14	
Mich Tech	6	10	8	12	16	Northern Mich	5	11	9	9	18	
Northern Mich	5	11	9	9	19	Ferris	4	12	10	11	15	
Sag Valley	5	11	9	9	19	Mich Tech	3	13	11	10	17	
Hillsdale	4	12	10	12	17	Wayne	3	13	11	8	19	

1987-88 season awards											
men						women					
Coach of the year: Greg Kampe, OU						Coach of the year: Pat Baker Grzyb, GVSU					
Player of the year: Scott Bittinger, OU						Player of the year: Sue Mayes-Scott, SVSU					
Freshman of the year: Rod Creech, SVSU						Freshman of the year: Deanna Sutton, LSSU					

Female sabre fencer defeats four male foes

By TOM COOK
Sports Writer

Female fencer Chris "Spike" Cameron overpowered both the women and men from Tri-State and Cleveland State universities in a Feb. 21 NCAA tournament.

Due to a lack of Oakland sabre fencers, Cameron fenced sabre against men. She beat one man from CSU and three from TSU.

"They're not used to fencing someone as short as I am," explained the five-foot two-inch Cameron.

According to Cameron, TSU's coach, Theron Lansford, was verbally upset that his men were losing to a woman. He fenced Cameron himself afterwards and fared a little better, recording two-thirds of the hits.

Between sabre bouts Cameron dusted off the women from TSU in foil. She defeated all four women she faced, recording 20 touches against them while yielding only two.

"I was intimidating to the women," she said. "I was too pumped up from sabre. There was no way they were going to hit me."

While Cameron's 8-2 record may have paved the way to victories over both schools, she had plenty of help.

Assistant coach Tom Decker had a perfect 6-0 record in epee. Joe Burley finished with a 4-2 mark, while Mark Ament chipped in with a 2-4.

The men's foil team also enjoyed a good outing. Alan Parman led the way with a 5-1 overall record. Close behind were Erin Stileski 4-2, and Mark Rudnicki 3-3.

Sharing top honors with Cameron in sabre was Todd Dressell. The captain finished the day with a 4-2 mark. Kevin Moore rounded out the sabre squad with a 3-3 ledger.

The Tri-State tournament marked the end of the Oaklanders NCAA competitions for this season. "I was pretty happy with my performance except for a little bit of a mental slump at the end," said Burley. "I also thought that we did pretty good as a team."

Both men and women fared well in team play over the season, their records hovering around the .500 mark.

Burley's 32-12 record led the team. Not far behind were Dressell and Cameron, 20-9 and 32-19 respectively.

See FENCING page 9

Tankers dominate GLIAC meet at Ferris

By SUSAN STOKES
Sports Writer

Holding a 306-point lead over second-place Ferris State University, the Pioneer tankers swam to their 11th consecutive Great Lakes Conference championship Feb. 25-27 in Big Rapids.

Decorating a desk in the Lepley athletic offices is the marker of their efforts, the conference championship trophy.

Leaving little room for the competition, Oakland tankers filled 16 of the 18 championship slots.

Setting new pool and GLIAC records, Hilton Woods swam a 53.17 in the 100-yard backstroke.

Racking up 537.1 points on the

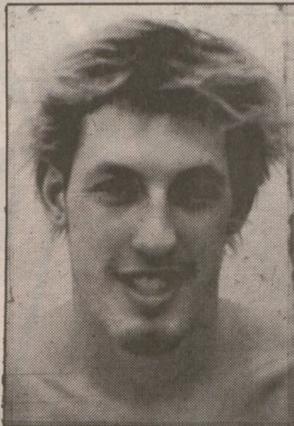
three-meter board, diver Mark Duff set a new GLIAC record.

With an outstanding performance in the 400-yard freestyle relay, Scott Harris, Woods, Nick Pesch and Mark VanderMey clocked a 3:06.36, setting a pool and GLIAC record as well as qualifying for nationals.

VanderMey also set an individual Pioneer record with a 2:03.77 in the 200-yard breaststroke.

Olympic hopeful and Pioneer co-captain VanderMey captured the GLIAC Swimmer-of-the-Year title for the third straight time.

VanderMey also set a career high of 24 GLIAC records to tie him with women's swim coach, and former Pioneer swimmer, Tracy Huth.



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Mark VanderMey set a national Division II record in the 200-yard individual medley at the NCAA meet in Buffalo, N.Y. last week.

Swimmers doing well at national tournament

By RALPH EHTINAW
Sports Editor

Going into the final day of competition the Pioneer tankers were performing well at nationals.

In second place, the men's team had 247½ points to first place Cal State-Bakersfield's 261. The lady tankers were sixth with 143 points.

The men set five national records including:

- 400-yard medley relay: Hilton Woods, Mark VanderMey, Mike Nation, Dave Rogowski, 3:22.37.
- 50-yard freestyle: Woods, 20.23.
- 200-yard individual medley: VanderMey, 1:50.31.



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Chris "Spike" Cameron beat four men at sabre in a February NCAA meet at Tri-State University.

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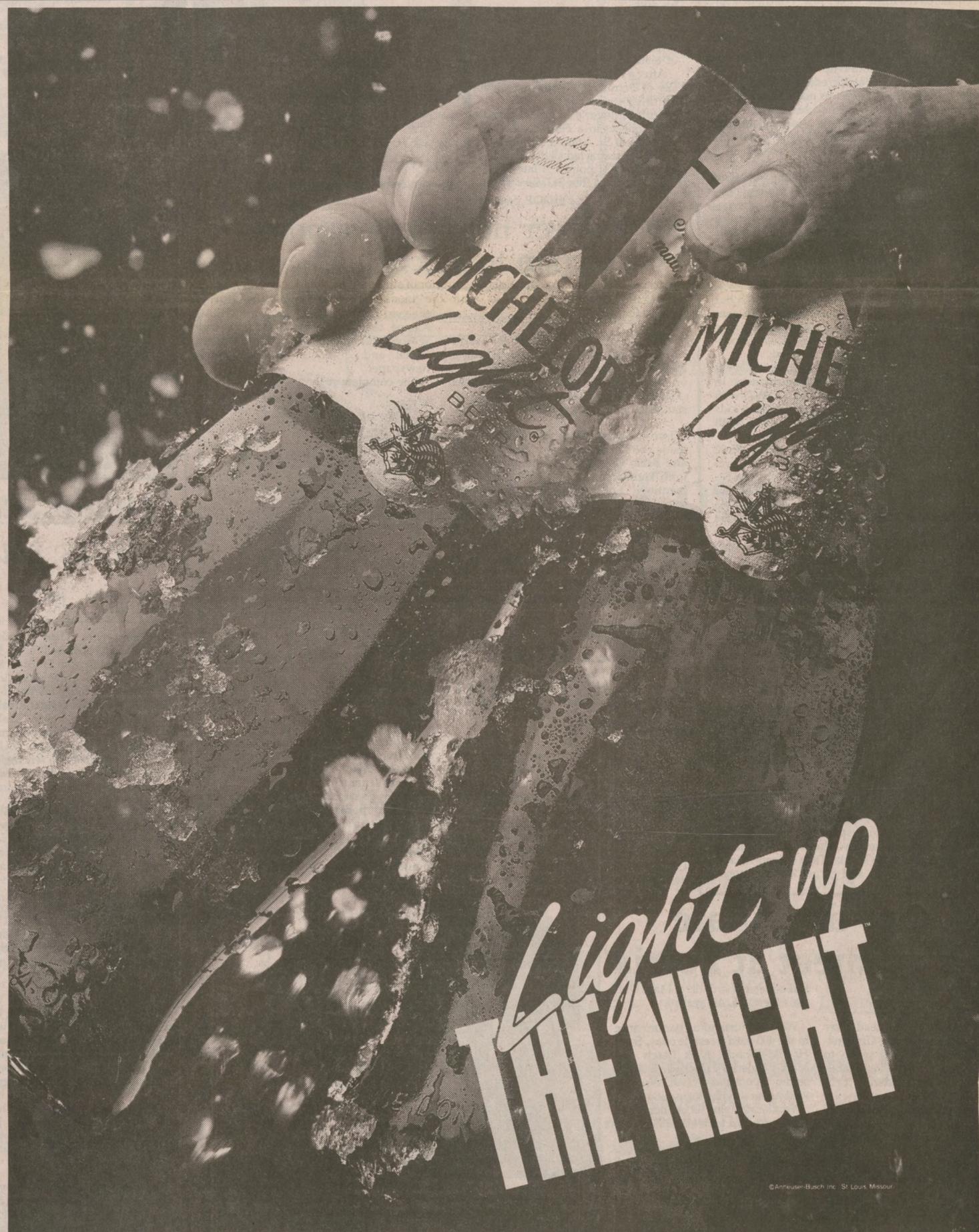


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Hoop

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out of its league.

Oakland's next war was with Wayne State University Feb. 27. Losers to the Tartars in their last meeting, the Pioneers took the game, 88-83, almost blowing a 21-point lead in the process.

Oakland led by 21 with 8:29 left. But a furious Wayne rally brought it back to 84-83 with 17 seconds left. Four clutch Brian Gregory free throws accounted for the rest of the five-point margin.

Bittinger was top gun for the Oaklanders again, scoring 30. Gregory followed with 23.

A bus ride to Hillsdale, a bus ride back, and the season was over. One of the thorns in Oakland's side this season has been an earlier loss to standings cellar dweller Hillsdale at Lepley. The rematch provided a different outcome.

The Pioneers started sluggishly and fell behind 16-6 but came back to pull within four (40-36) at the half.

Recovering from their sluggishness, the Pioneers outslugged Hillsdale in the second half with a 33-22 run that put the nails in the Charger coffin.

John Henderson led the team in scoring with 24, recording his first and only dunk of the season. Bittinger, playing in his last college game, scored 19.

The Pioneers finished the season at 19-9, the second best overall record in school history. They also knocked down a third-place finish in the Great Lakes Conference with an 11-5 conference record, the highest finish in Oakland history.

Another bright spot was the team's 3-1 record against the top two teams in the conference, Wayne State and Ferris State University.

However, losses to Hillsdale, Michigan Technological University and Saginaw Valley State University prompted Kampe to say, "We've got to learn how to beat the bad teams," and killed any chances of a conference title.

However, the Pioneers still have nine Oakland season records and seven game records, set this season, to comfort them.

They broke the season and game records for points scored and given up as well as most of the shooting records, many in the 150-76 season opening rout of Northeastern Illinois State University.

The hoopsters also set a Lepley Sports Center attendance record, or rather their fans did, Jan. 28 when 1,441 of them saw Ferris go down in flames in overtime.

Three players set at least one individual record, Bittinger set four. The left-handed accounting major accounted for 291 field goals, breaking Carvin Melson's 1971-72 record of 284. In points scored Bittinger's 740 bested Melson's 708, and eclipsed his own personal high of 514 from last season.

Apparently one of the most likely Pioneers for an elbow to the ribs or a bump on the arm, Bittinger added the free throws attempted record to his list of accomplishments here as well.

"It's great, I enjoy getting records and achievements," he said. Although Bittinger didn't break any career records, he moved into the top three in almost every category.

Bittinger also added the GLIAC player-of-the-year award and places on the all-GLIAC and all-Central Region teams to his basketball resume. He hopes to be named to the All-American team soon.

Gregory was Oakland's other primary record breaker this season. Before he started playing for the Oaklanders, the OU season record for assists was 170, set in 27 games by Craig Harts in 1978-1979.

After 11 games this season Gregory busted that one and started working on the OU career record of 374. With 10 assists against Hillsdale he just made it, tying Rob Skinner, who needed four years to set the record Gregory tied in one.

With two years of eligibility left, Gregory should demolish the career record for assists at Oakland. The five-foot eight-inch point guard joins Bittinger on the all-GLIAC team.

Three point shooter Andre Bond completes the Oakland triumvirate of record breakers. Bond hit 49 of 131 triple tries to break Johnny Johnson's record. He's also the holder of OU's unofficial dunk record with 18 slams this season. Rodney Wilson had one to tie Henderson for second.

Basketball

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These two teams finished with records of 20-7 and 23-4 respectively, not quite as good as OU's record.

Oakland had been rated sixth in the region before the selections were announced March 6. "When we fell to sixth I figured there wasn't much of a chance," said Taylor. "But you can't tell me we're not one of the best 32 teams in the country."

Thirteen of the 32 teams selected for post-season play have worse records than the Pioneers.

Another possible reason for the snub was Oakland's supposedly weak schedule. But five tournament teams finished with fewer than 20 wins and OU's four losses came at the hands of teams with more than 20 wins.

"I just think that (a weak schedule) was an excuse," said Klein-Green. Clemons added, "It's disappointing to see a team like Grand Valley get in. They didn't have a schedule any tougher than ours."

Nevertheless, this year's edition of the lady hoopsters finished with the highest winning percentage in school history and the GLIAC's best overall record.

Sophomore center Debbie Delie, who stepped into the limelight this year, leading the team in both scoring and rebounding, assessed the team's performance thus: "We play well together and have confidence in ourselves and coach Taylor."

Knuth said this year's team was the best she has played on "by far, mostly because of team unity."



The Oakland Post / Ralph Echinaw
Janet Kosman gives Kim Klein-Green a hug after the latter's last game at Oakland last month.

Feb. 29 Oakland finished the season by whipping the Hillsdale College Chargers 75-55. After a shaky start the Pioneers took command and led 37-27 at the half.

Delie was good for 18 points and a game-high 14 boards. Leah Fenwick went 8-12 from the floor en route to a 17-point night.

Klein-Green and Knuth also finished in double figures with 12 and 11 points respectively. Ann Serra had six assists and four steals.

Hillsdale's Sandy Skaisgir, an all-GLIAC team member this year, finished with 25 points.

Feb. 27 Oakland bested the Wayne State University Tartars 89-57.

The Pioneers started slowly but a 20-9 run gave them a 46-29 halftime lead.

Delie shot 8-13 from the floor and finished with 20 points. Fenwick went 9-11 for 18. Also finishing in double figures were Knuth (16) and Klein-Green (12). Once again Serra provided spark with eight rebounds and eight assists.

Lions

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no reason for us to go elsewhere." However, the Lions have not said no yet either.

"I think we have everything that needs to be offered," said Tom Peters, assistant to the president at NMU.

Peters said the school has made, or will make, proposals to four other teams as well, the Houston Oilers, New Orleans Saints, Green Bay Packers and St. Louis Cardinals. "But) have particular interest in the Detroit Lions," according to Peters, because of the Michigan connection.

Jack Wilson, associate director of student affairs, who deals with the Lions for Oakland, said being close to the Silverdome is a definite advantage for Oakland. "We've got location in our favor, for sure," he said.

But Peters said the remote site in Marquette presents advantages of its own. "Coming into this area gets them into a reasonably quiet area," he said. "We think it's a benefit."

The Lions have been training at OU for the last 15 years. Wilson said that the university would definitely try to keep the Lions here but there are some things that just can't be done. "I can't move OU to the U.P.," he said. "If (the Lions) view being out of the metro area as an advantage there's nothing I can do about that."

Pendell said he doesn't know when the decision to move or stay here will be made. Oakland received \$114,000 from the Lions last year for the use of dormitories, a football field, cafeteria, locker rooms, etc.

Wilson said that if the Lions do move to Northern, or anywhere else, he'll tell them, "Well, it's really been a pleasure doing business with you... Good luck."

In His Own Words



Greg Kampe

Interesting question

(Editor's note: Greg Kampe is the Pioneer men's basketball coach. Last season he guided the hoopsters to the best record in school history. In the season just completed his team finished third in the GLIAC, the highest finish in school history.)

What's it like being the basketball coach at Oakland University?

An interesting question. First, let me ask you one. Take a second and picture in your mind the word "coach." Did you see a guy in a gray sweat shirt, stained arm pits, the word COACH printed across his chest. Maybe a whistle around his neck and a baseball cap on his head. I hope not, but I wouldn't blame you if you did. Hey, my mother-in-law once asked me, "What else do you do for a living."

I would guess that this type of stereotyping comes from lack of knowledge, yet I am not going to take this unique opportunity to bore you with the daily routines of a college basketball coach.

For the most part, Oakland University is a great place to work. The people are the reason. The mission of our athletic department, "combining academic and athletic excellence," makes for a super working atmosphere.

Yet... I wonder why there is an apathy for athletics on our campus. Again, I believe it comes from lack of knowledge. I get the feeling sometimes that a faction of people here believe it goes against some unwritten academic or social standards to enjoy an athletic event.

If you believe this, let me tell you that our athletes represent the true meaning of college athletics. Our players are not chasing some pipe dream of becoming a professional, they are just using their God-given abilities as a vehicle to obtain their diplomas. They are no different than the gifted music major, theater major or math major who does the same thing on a different stage.

Scary hair

As a coach I only wear a baseball cap for our 6 a.m. practices and only so my hair doesn't scare anyone. The gym is my classroom and the lessons we teach are those old corny ideas like achieving success through hard work, or functioning in the team concept instead of as an individual.

One of the most interesting facets of my job is traveling around the country representing the students, faculty, staff and everyone in the Oakland community. The 3,000 people in Amarillo, Texas that watched our team play last December know that Oakland exists, and we are not located in California.

I have a great job. I get to teach, administrate and sell our university to prospective students. Then, 28 times a year we get to perform. For those who have seen us, we thank you for your emotions. The numbers have increased dramatically over the last couple years. The painted faces, cheerleaders, pom-poms, pep banders... Now that's what it's all about. Our players live off your cheers, screams, or even your boos.

For those who haven't seen us, come on out. Though you might be surprised that I don't own a gray sweat shirt or that four of our five starters have above a 3.00 GPA... the fifth is a 2.68.

It's OK to let your emotions go. Scream at the top of your lungs, throw a roll of toilet paper, no one will know, you'll be lost in the anonymity of the crowd. Be careful though, you might get addicted.

Fencing

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The following weekend (Feb. 27, 28) Wayne State hosted the Great Lakes individual championships and Oakland fencers were invited.

However, only Burley, Dressell and Parman accepted.

All three were knocked out early, Parman in the first round, Burley and Dressell in the second.

"The second pool was the toughest pool I've ever been in," said Dressell. "I psyched myself out to the point where I couldn't win."

Dressell finished 20th of 25, Burley 25th of 35. Both called it the toughest competition they've had this season.

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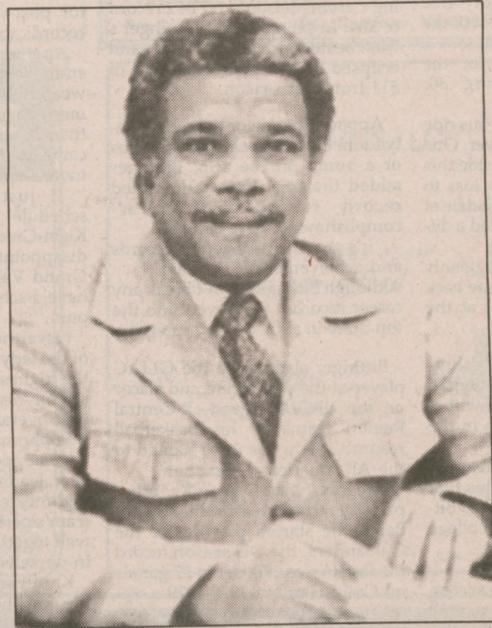
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