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Congress starts up Scholarship plan meets roadblock



Budget decreases \$24,000

By CATHERINE KAZA
News Editor

Sean Higgins

Student Life is not able to fund a University Congress request for \$5,000 for an upperclassmen involvement scholarship.

Congress proposed establishing 10-\$500 scholarships with Student Life scholarship funds.

Dave Herman, dean of students and who is involved with the Student Life scholarship fund, said, "It's a recruitment scholarship, not designed to reward upperclassmen for involvement," at a Sept. 14 Congress meeting.

The \$1,000 scholarship is only open to freshmen. Herman said that the budget for the university-sponsored scholarship fund was \$425,000 this year.

He also said there is no carryover of the scholarship to give to Congress. "We try to spend every dollar," he said.

Any money that is left over reverts back to the university, according to Herman.

Congress President Keith Faber said one problem with the scholarship is that three-quarters of the students are ineligible.

Area Hall Council President Deborah Ciupak agreed. "Why can't money go to upperclassmen?" she questioned.

"Let's rechannel money that's going to be spent anyway," said Sean Higgins, executive assistant.

Suzanne Bante, who is head of the Student Life scholarship review committee, suggested to Congress starting small on their scholarship proposal. "I think it'd be great if you could get that kind of money, but I don't know if you can," she said.

A University Congress budget cut of over \$24,000 is due to the depletion of carryover funds from the 1985 student activities fund increase, according to President Keith Faber.

The fall budget was approved within minutes of its reading at the Sept. 14 meeting, with only one opposing vote from Rich Gizynski.

Faber said the planned process happened one year ahead of schedule.

The Student Activities Board was cut by \$6,545 from 29,000 to \$22,455.

The Student Programming Board budget decreased \$5,500 from \$31,500 to \$26,000.

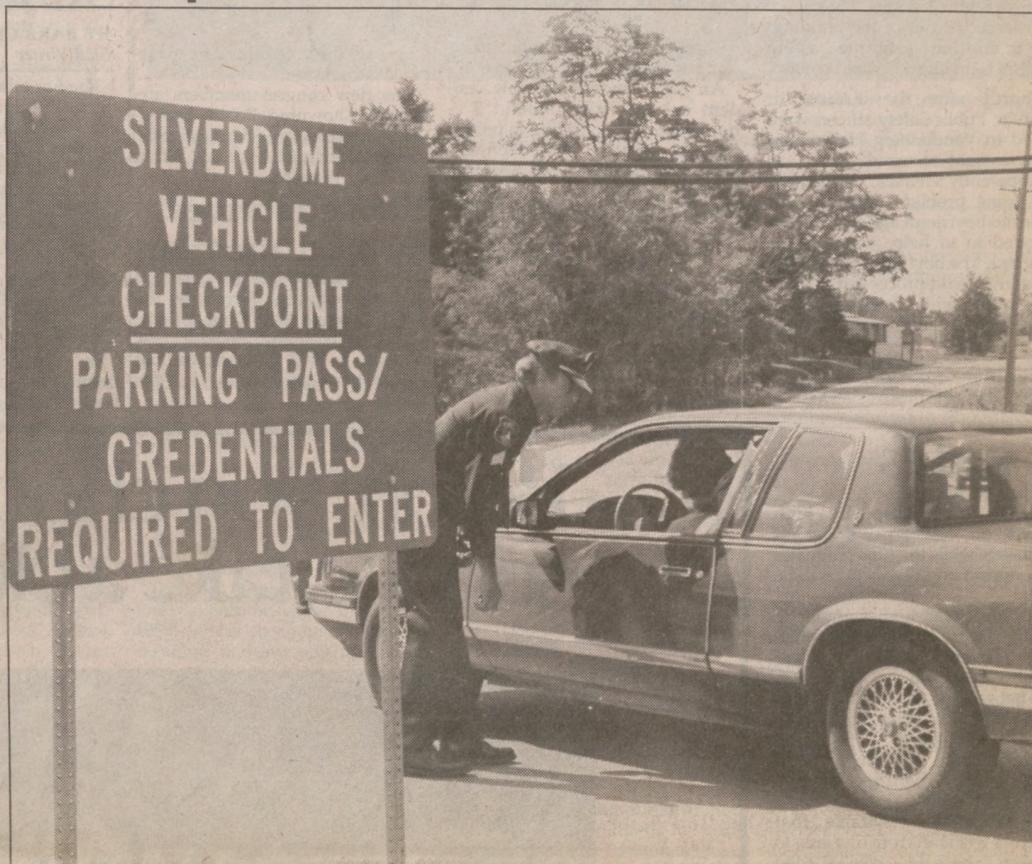
Legislative Affairs Committee was cut two-thirds from \$3,000 to \$1,000.

Committees are not failing because of the cuts, Faber said. He said SPB didn't have to eliminate any programs.

Faber said that Congress was emphasizing fund raising as a way to deal with the decreased funds. While the cuts were bad from a budgetary standpoint, he said that you "look at more cost-effective ways" to deal with them.

He said Congress shouldn't operate on less funds than it receives, in fairness to the students who are paying the money.

Go in peace



The Oakland Post/Jill Nowaczyk

Pontiac police check for passes at I-75 and University Drive during the visit of Pope John Paul II Saturday.

Academic skills center budget means more group tutoring

By BETTY GREEN
Staff Writer

The Academic Skills Center is operating on a budget for the 1987-88 fiscal year of only \$2,000 more than its first six months last year.

The recently approved additional budget money will come from the general fund of the Office of the Vice President of Student Affairs.

According to Ron Kevern, assistant vice president for student affairs, this will be possible primarily because of the shift from individual to group tutoring. Also, he said some funds required for initial purchase of supplies and materials in the first year of operation can now be used for additional tutor wages.

THE CENTER, funded with \$110,000 from the state through a program revision request, was scheduled to begin operation last fall. Because of space problems, it did not open until January, 1987.

The special request funds provided

only initial money for furnishings, computers and equipment. Money for hiring tutors and the purchase of supplies and services come from the university's general fund. The fund also pays personnel costs for the salaries of the director, coordinator, clerical staff and consultants.

In its first fiscal year from July, 1986 to June, 1987, the center spent \$30,000 of the \$36,000 budgeted for winter and spring terms. The unused \$6,000 went back to the general fund.

Of the \$30,000 used, \$24,500 was spent on student labor and \$5,500 for supplies and services.

Of this year's budget of \$38,000, \$28,500 is expected to cover tutor wages, only \$4,000 more than was spent in last year's six-month operation.

KEVERN said since the center didn't know what to expect when it first began, there was a lot of individual tutoring. "No one was prepared for last year's numbers. The demand was far greater than

expected."

He said that now with some experience they will be able to anticipate needs and manage resources better.

Kevern said they had considered cutting back evening hours in an effort to control costs but decided to try to gear hours to meet the demand and emphasize the shift toward group tutoring as a way to provide more services for the same money.

Out of 116 students tutored in the first week of this term, 33 were in individual sessions and the rest were in groups of two to seven, he said.

Lynn Hockenberger, center coordinator, said math is a class for which group sessions seem to be a more effective tutoring method. "A camaraderie develops between classmates. In group tutoring everyone helps everyone else," she said. "It's a very live, active learning situation. It's a better use of money and works out well," Hockenberger added.

Touchtone registration may start

By DERRICK LEWIS
Staff Writer

Early fall registration by touchtone telephone from anywhere in the world could be at the university in 2 to 3 years, said registrar Lawrence Bartalucci.

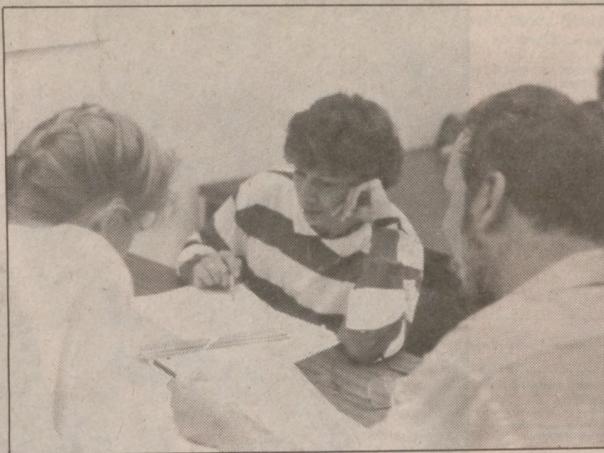
He said once this system is started, fall registration could start at the end of winter semester while students are still in class.

Bartalucci said the university doesn't have fall registration in April because the present system would be too slow, and is not capable of handling multiple registration between terms.

During a nine-day period in early August, 73 percent of the students registered for fall classes, said Bartalucci.

Students have mixed feelings on whether registration works out better in April or August.

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The Oakland Post/Paul Paris

John Froenke tutors Carolyn Singel (left) and Jackie McMahon at the Academic skills center in Wilson Hall

SHE SAID the group approach does not seem to be as effective with writing problems. Individual appointments are usually made with the same tutor on a fairly regular basis.

During the winter term 318 students were tutored, with a high of 142 sessions during the week of April 6. So far this term the center

has had more than 100 tutoring requests.

Kevern said if the center should "begin to run short," he said, they can make adjustments from other departments' general fund allotments. "Everyone is excited about the program which is doing very well."

Accredited programs a plus

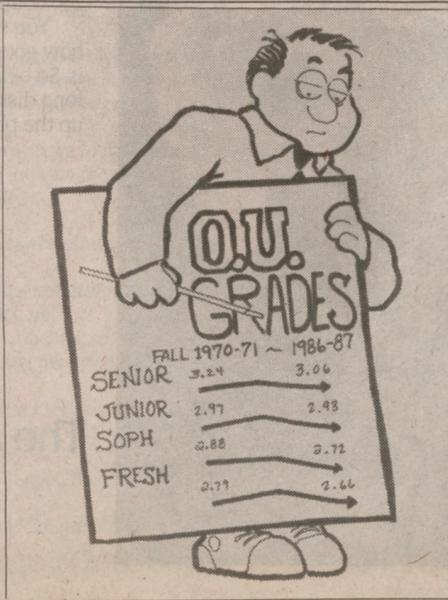
By THERESA GEORGE
Staff Writer

Whether or not an academic program is accredited could make a difference in the future career or educational plans of university students.

In accrediting academic programs, the department conducts a two-year self-study of its curriculum, faculty and students, according to Sheldon Appleton, coordinator of the university's self-study for a 1989 accreditation review.

The study is then submitted for evaluation to the professional

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Students' grades drop slightly

By TIM MARINE
Staff Writer

Shifting curriculums and stricter grading have contributed to students' decline in grades since the 1970's, according to a university report.

David Beardslee, director of the office of institutional research, wrote in his 1987 report that in the early 1970s, students took about 66 percent of their courses in such areas as humanities, social sciences, and education. That proportion dropped to 49 percent in 1986.

In the same period, science, mathematics, engineering and computer science, business administration, health and nursing courses rose from 33 to 51 percent.

AS A RESULT, grades changed. Seniors in the first half of the 1970s averaged 3.27, while their 1980 counterparts scored 3.13. Juniors during the same time period averaged 3.05 and 2.95, respectively.

Associate Dean of Engineering Bhushan Bhatt said that his discipline, popular lately for its job opportunities, is not easy.

"The perception that it's not that easy to get good grades in engineering is true," he said.

But "I don't think there's been a conscious effort of the faculty" to grade harder, he added.

Other professors agreed. "I try to be rigorous about how I grade," but "I can't remember the last talk I've had about grades," said anthropology professor Peter Bertocci.

"I'm trying to reward students for coming in not knowing anything about a subject, and knowing a lot more when they leave the class," said political science professor Edward Heubel. Some students don't appreciate their rewards, he added. "One thing that does happen these days is students do want to argue about their grades, and I find that very vexing," he said.

"I think students are sort of insensitive at times of the traditions of the university," like the "master-student relationship," Heubel added.

BEARDSLEE said it is thought that professors have to maintain standards, but he said there is not a conscious focus on grading trends. "I don't think most faculty think that way," he said.

Bhatt said he hasn't perceived any grade trend, other than natural fluctuations. He remembered that

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NEWS BRIEFS

Three fights occur

A fight involving seven people occurred Sept. 13 around midnight in the Hamlin Hall lobby, according to Public Safety Chief Richard Leonard.

Two male students, 18 and 21, said they were approached by five other males, 17, 17, 18, 19 and 20. Three were non-OU students and two OU students. The two males said they were chatting with some girls when the others approached. There was an exchange of some foul words and a fight started. One of the victims was kicked in the back and stomach by two of the attackers.

Public Safety was notified and located the five men on the seventh floor of south Hamlin. They were then escorted out of the building. "It's another example where alcohol is involved," said Leonard.

Shortly after the incident in Hamlin, Public Safety officers were called to Vandenberg Hall where another fight occurred.

Apparently a female, 19, was having some problems with her 18 year-old boyfriend and her brother stepped in to help, according to Leonard. The boyfriend pushed the brother, 22, and proceeded to hit at him and at others in the room.

The brother returned blows in self-defense.

No charges have been filed.

Police report information compiled by Jennifer Byrne.

A third case of fighting occurred at approximately 1:38 a.m. when a West Vandenberg resident and some friends were approached by a 17 year-old resident from 3 West Vandenberg.

According to the complainant, the man approached him and made some remarks. The complainant ignored the remarks but the man grabbed him, hit him in the face, and smashed his glasses. The man then attacked the victim's friends, throwing one to the ground and tearing off the other's jacket. A Public Safety sergeant took the man to his room. The man was apparently very drunk. No official charges have been filed.

Suicides attempted

Three suicides were attempted on campus from Sept. 12 to Sept. 17.

An East Vandenberg male resident cut his wrists around 3 p.m. Sept. 12. According to police, the case went to Dave Herman, dean of students and Suzanne Bante, assistant director of residence halls. Herman and Bante assessed the man who apparently is not living on campus anymore.

In a second case, a female resident of Hamlin Hall was drinking and depressed and threatened to commit suicide Sept. 13. The case is being investigated by the residence halls housing department.

The third case involved a commuter student who was visiting a friend on the sixth floor of West Vandenberg Sept. 17. The female was found at approximately 1:30 p.m. She had apparently overdosed on some pills. Public Safety and the Emergency Medical Service was notified. The student was transported to Crittenton Hospital.

Congress elects 8 new members

Eight of 10 congressional vacancies were filled at the Sept. 14 University Congress meeting.

There were 19 hopefuls, the most in recent years, according to President Keith Faber. Two of the vacancies were filled after Congress went into closed session.

Sean Higgins, executive assistant, said the closed session "enables us to discuss the merits of (the) candidates."

He said the vote cannot be made in closed session.

The new congressmembers are Michael Chowning, Bobbie Drake, Bora Guven, Kelly Jenkins, Michale Luwick, Monique Maie, Al Siffer and Gary Watkins.

Goose receives medical attention

On the lighter side: A goose was injured on Sunset Terrace by the Katke-Cousins Golf Course Sept. 12. The Humane Society was notified at 3:37 and arrived just eleven minutes later to save the goose.

Stroke lecture



The Oakland Post/Wendy Wendland
Students listen to Osa Littrup Jackson, Ph.D., lecture on the Feldenkrais method of treating stroke patients.

Senate readies for term

BY BARB CHEIMAN
Staff Writer

The importance of the self-study for a 1989 university accreditation review was discussed by President Joseph Champagne at the senate's first meeting Sept. 17.

"The next two years are the most crucial time. We have to demonstrate our strengths" and work on our weaknesses, he said.

The policy draft must be completed by spring 1988 before review by the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges in 1989.

In other senate action, six members were elected for 1987-89 to the steering committee.

The new members are Robert Eberwein, arts and sciences; Robbin Hough, business administration; Sharon Muir, human and educational services; Richard Pettengill, library; Mary Sherman school of health and sciences and Diane Wilson, nursing.

The senate also confirmed four steering committee nominations. The appointments are Darrell Schmidt, Academic Standing and Honors Committee; Mary Van Sell, Research Committee; Wallis Andersen and Kathryn McArdle-Pigott, Teaching and Learning Committee.

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Proposal to count only one 0.0 grade

By LOUIE KATSAROS
Staff Writer

A proposal to have only one 0.0 grade count in the grade point average if a student fails the same class twice will be studied at the end of the semester.

Currently, if a student receives a 0.0 twice in the same class, both grades are figured in the GPA.

Donald Hildum, professor of communications, will present his plan to the University of Undergraduate Instruction following this term.

Hildum believes the current policy is unfair. "It's kicking a student when he's down," he said.

If a student fails a class, takes it again and gets a grade other than a 0.0, only the second grade will figure into the grade point.

Prior to fall 1985, when a student failed a course an N grade was indicated, but the grade point was not affected.

The only penalty a student faced was losing tuition money, said English professor Jane Eberwein, who is secretary for UCUI. "A student could fail a course three times

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Grades

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there were exceptionally high grades on last April's list of graduates, while the June graduates were normal and unexceptional, he said.

The somewhat higher grades in the 1970s were attributed primarily to "grade inflation," or lower grading standards.

"That was the value of the times, but nothing of that sort exists now," Bhatt said.

Heubel said his department hasn't ignored the career-minded student shift away from his field.

"I think it's inevitable that students will shift from one area to another," he said. "We've tried hard to respond to students' interest in a vocation," through approaches like internships and two-credit career orientation classes, he said.

Right now everybody's pointing toward the grade point average, Bhatt said.

Corrections

In a Sept. 14 article about a tentative residence halls guest policy, the Residence Halls Policy Committee members listed are this year's members. The 1986-87 committee members approved the present tentative guest policy.

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Steady increase of book prices due to publisher markups

By TIM MARINE
Staff Writer

Before blaming the bookstore for inflated prices, you might want to look at the publishers first, according to university bookstore David Bixby.

"It's been a steady upward trend I think the costs of the publisher have gone up, and consequently they've passed it on," he said.

He speculated that materials and labor cost increases are part of the publishers' problems.

The bookstore college text manager at Wayne State University agrees. "They've gone up very drastically," said Laura Notley.

Cost reduction through printing large numbers of books is not very likely, according to Notley. "I don't think that applies to textbooks. We never have (had) a book that goes down in price," she said.

BIXBY AND NOTLEY said they are merely trying to fulfill professors' wishes, no matter how swiftly they change.

"We seem to have one of the shorter shelf lives for our books," Bixby said.

While Bixby said book salesmen praise his up-to-date textbooks, he admitted it's bad for students stuck with last year's books.

"If they (professors) are using one text, they usually stick with it for a year," or 1½ years, he said.

"Most instructors do have some sympathy toward the kids," Notley said.

Bixby said he has to look at what books professors are currently using before he can buy books back from students.

"If it's not (currently in use), we run into problems," he said. "We make the decision if we can sell it again."

Bixby said he buys books that don't have broken binding or ripped pages at 50 percent of the list price, and resells them at 75 percent.

He said hardcovers are probably recycled a few times. "Overall, our used book sales are running close to 20 percent," he said, with his goal being 25 to 30 percent.

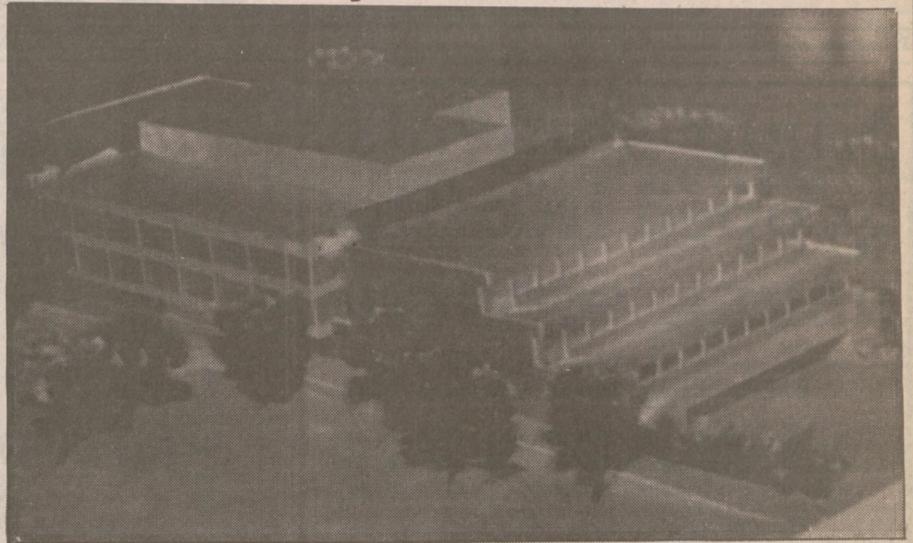
Bixby estimated that publishers put out new editions every three to four years. "Once they change an edition, you can use it for firewood," he said.

THE ABSENCE OF competition doesn't affect the pricing of most of his textbooks, according to Bixby. "Our purpose isn't to gouge students, it's to provide a service to them," he said.

Notley agreed. A small bookstore near the WSU campus "has nothing to do with how we price books," she said.

"We always ask a salesman, 'what do they sell this clipboard for at Michigan State?'" Bixby said. "We've got to be somewhere in the ballpark."

Model library



The Oakland Post/Jill Nowaczyk

Model of proposed alterations to Kresge Library. Construction is scheduled to begin in mid-December.

GPA

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and the GPA was not affected. We needed to change," she said.

However, Hildum said, "Nobody I talked to on the faculty likes the current policy."

Associate Rhetoric Professor Ronald Sudol agrees with Hildum, but added that something must be wrong for a student to fail the same class twice.

Senate

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Construction of a new science building behind Dodge Hall will begin next spring, said Provost Keith Kleckner. In addition to a new classroom an office building is being proposed.

Kleckner talked about road reconstruction due to the Oakland Technology Park. He said that roads west of the university will not be worked on. Oakland would have to give up the land bordering Squirrel Road before construction could begin. Engineering studies is presently formulating a proposal in reconstructing Squirrel without land being taken away from Oakland. Work on I-75 will begin next spring, said Kleckner.

Fiddlin' around



The Oakland Post/Art Stephenson

Ann Strubler performs for a noontime crowd on the patio outside the Oakland Center last week.

Registration

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Junior Kevin Waller said April is more convenient. "Everyone will be up here instead of going home and coming back up to do it," he said.

Kelly Watson, sophomore, said she would rather see it in April because she thinks she will have a better chance in getting the classes she needs.

Senior Glynis Tinsley disagreed. "I'd rather keep it in August because it gives me more time to determine my classes, and see my advisers," she said.

Jane Eberwein, English professor, said while it is not especially convenient to register during August, in April faculty advisers are too busy with finals. She said that in April students would have difficulty choosing classes. Some students would not know whether they would be coming back in the fall because of financial aid problems, she added.

Some advisers find it difficult to come back in August for registration, because of research they were doing in Europe or East Coast libraries, said Eberwein.

Faculty adviser Paul Chao, business administration, said he would rather have pre-registration in August. He said it gives students enough time to choose what classes they want.

There are advantages to both, according to environmental health faculty adviser Paul Tomboulou. If you have it in April, there would be scheduling problems. Also, students might change their minds about their classes, he said.

However, in August, the availability of advisers is limited, Tomboulou said.

Oakland started the present on-line registration system in August, 1986. It was developed in-house, meaning nothing was purchased from outside the university.

Bartalucci said the problem of response time with the present system has to be overcome before touchtone registration can be implemented. Computer response time during fall registration could take up to three minutes a student on heavy days, he said.

Bartalucci could not estimate how much it would cost to initiate a touchtone system.

Programs

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association the department wants to be affiliated with. Members of the accrediting agency then look over the study to see if it meets the association's criteria.

If interested, the agency visits the institution to confirm information by checking records and student files. Appleton said a decision about program accreditation is usually reached by agency members within a few months after the visit.

Appleton said that students have a stake in accreditation of their academic programs. Entrance to certain outstate graduate programs and outstate career opportunities may depend on it.

John Powell, associate dean of public administration, said that accreditation can also be a factor in whether corporations in other states will donate money to the particular academic program.

He said the public administration program is accredited in both undergraduate and graduate levels by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business. Other Michigan schools currently ac-

credited in both undergraduate and graduate public administration programs include Michigan State University, University of Michigan, Wayne State University and Western Michigan University.

"Right now the quality of Oakland's MBA program in public administration ranks second to U of M," Powers said.

Powers said although the accrediting agency is increasing membership requirements, public administration plans to maintain its present standards.

Barbara Biallas, assistant to the dean of nursing, said the undergraduate nursing program at Oakland is accredited by the National League for Nursing and has been since its introduction in the mid 1970s.

Biallas said its graduate program is up for accreditation and the department is currently working on a self-study to submit to the NLN.

Bhushan Bhatt, associate dean of engineering, said Oakland's engineering school is accredited in undergraduate and graduate programs. He said the relatively new computer science engineering program is now up for accreditation.

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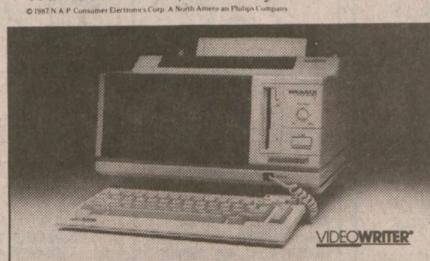
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Night students gyped in office hours, services

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With an enrollment of 13,000, only 1,600 of OU's students live on campus. While a handful of others live in neighboring apartment complexes, by far the majority commute from their Oakland or Macomb county homes.

Besides not living in the classic "college" environment, many do not attend classes during traditional classroom hours. Many of these non-traditionals are night students, and the university is not doing all it can or should do to adequately serve them.

David Beardslee, director of institutional research, said in fall 1986 Oakland had 10,300 undergraduate students, 4,200 of them taking at least one night course. That means 43 percent of the undergraduate body took at least one course between 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. during weeknights.

Beardslee also said 1,790 of these students (18 percent) exclusively attended night courses. He said that's between one out of every five and one out of every six students. The average age of these students is 29, according to Beardslee, but because of the mathematical equations used to figure the average, a more accurate estimate would show half the students being at least 23.

Beardslee said he expects these figures to remain about the same this year.

Despite the large percentage of students going to school late, few university offices hold regular evening hours to serve them.

Usually when students choose to take night courses it's because they work full time during the day and can't attend day ones.

When students need to add or drop a course during the middle of the semester, they are out of luck. The registrar's office opens at 8:30 a.m. and closes at 5 p.m. A night student would have to leave work early in order to make it to the office during its hours.

If a student needs to buy a blue book or some scantron sheets, they're out of luck again. The University Bookcenter is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, and is closed Saturday and Sunday.

If students are hungry and want to pick up a bagel, fresh cup of coffee, or something to munch on during their breaks, again they're in trouble. The Iron Kettle closes at 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and at 3 p.m. on Friday. Sweet Sensations closes at 7:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and at 5 p.m. Friday.

Students needing general information about a university club or program also run into difficulties. CIPO, the office that is ideally suppose to serve as an information desk, closes at 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and at 4:30 p.m. on Fridays.

Admittedly there are exceptions. During the first week or two of school, many offices, including the university Bookcenter, extend their hours. The newly open Wild Pizza in the Oakland Center is open until midnight, and some offices, like the undergraduate advising office, stay open until 9 p.m. on Wednesdays during the year. Nonetheless, these cases are the exceptions, not the norm.

With approximately 43 percent of Oakland University's student body taking at least one night course, the university should do more to serve this group.

Night students pay the same tuition and fees as day students, but they are not getting the same service. By simply extending office hours one or two nights a week during the evening, the university could make life much easier for this group.



Friend overcomes handicap, succeeds

Lots of students often like to complain, or maybe a better word would be brag, about how busy they are or how hard they have it. These students, however, are almost always humbled when they see and talk to someone like a good friend of mine, Gary Stachnik.

Gary (who's nicknamed 'Stosh') is wheelchair-bound because of muscular dystrophy. But the wheelchair isn't even noticeable after meeting him.

He is president of Theta Chi fraternity, holds a 3.0 grade point average and can't go through the Oakland Center without stopping to talk to at least 20 people.

Stachnik attributes this to the fact that during his childhood, he was never signaled out among his peers. He was almost always treated like everyone else.

In fact he did not regress into a wheelchair like most who have muscular dystrophy. He could walk



Nick Chiappetta

(awkwardly) until he was 14 years old. That was when he was in a motorcycle accident with his brother. The accident broke his leg and confined him to a wheelchair permanently. This is a better fate than having to go through the trauma of gradually losing the ability to walk.

Stachnik emphasized that when he got into the accident, "I was doing what a normal 14-year-old boy would do."

Recently he had a normal 21-year-old's reaction to an incident that occurred on campus. Apparently a photographer wanted to take a picture of him having trouble getting over a torn up curb back when the university was repairing the roads.

At first Stosh said he wanted to oblige, but after talking with some friends, he thought about it and refused.

"I think if I did do it, the people who know me would be really surprised," Stachnik said, because "that's not me."

One of Stosh's most interesting aspects is that he is against handicap student organizations.

"I don't have to belong to a society that's going to tell me I'm handicapped, I know that already. ...I am aware, and so are other people."

Without trying to sound facetious, Stachnik did give support to a certain form of handicap

"I think the only way a handicap awareness society would be good is if it focused on making life...for the handicapped easier," Stachnik said. He said one way to do this would be to make it easier to enter campus.

Despite this, obstacles have rarely been a problem for him due to a close circle of friends.

In high school Stosh and about five or six friends went to a football game. They were walking around the school when they came to a fence and instead of going around it, they literally picked Stosh up and put him over it.

The fence was about five feet tall and Stosh was defecating bricks and laughing all at the same time.

It is because of his easy going attitude that Stachnik has gone this far, and will continue to go farther.

Letters to the Editor

Student believes cheerleaders not 'nubile nitwits'

To the Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to address Norman Susskind's letter concerning cheerleaders on campus that appeared in the *Oakland Post* on September 8, 1987.

As a role model and professor at our university, I would assume that Mr. Susskind would choose a better tactic to relocate cheerleaders from academic areas than trying to demean and humiliate them in a public paper.

Cheerleaders are an important part of every sport at every school. They are the people who cheer on the team, even when the going gets tough. Athletes depend on cheerleaders to motivate and encourage them. It is unfortunate that Mr. Susskind views our

cheerleaders as, "...a large gaggle of those nubile nitwits practicing their art." I, and many other people feel they serve a different purpose.

I am very close to a "nitwit" who has a GPA of 4.0, participates in drama clubs, tennis, debate and is the president of the National Honor Society at Hazel Park High School. She is planning to attend U of M in the fall, most likely on a scholarship. She is one of my younger sisters. I find it very offensive that Mr. Susskind chooses to generalize, and insults a group on the whole.

I think Mr. Susskind's problem would be solved if he asked the cheerleading squad (in a polite manner) to practice in a location far from his classroom. If they moved their practice spot he wouldn't have to listen to "that truly offensive noise."

I hope you find my letter literate and that Mr. Susskind will be open-minded enough to hear someone else's opinion.

Sincerely,
Deborah A. Ciupak

Lowry childcare helps mother attend classes

Dear Editor,

Last year after a 10-year absence from school I decided to return to college and complete my degree. As the mother of a two-year-old daughter, finding quality care for her during school hours was a top priority. My search revealed that part-time, affordable, and good quality programs if available were extremely expensive.

The solution to my dilemma was here in my own back yard. Oakland University's Lowry Early Childhood Center, which is located at the southeast end of campus on Butler Road, offers an excellent program for children age 18 months through kindergarten.

I have seen nothing in the

Oakland Sail/Post about this fine center or its very dedicated staff which is principally comprised of education students from the university. These hard-working people deserve our recognition and praise just as much as any of our sports teams. Many students have no idea the Center exists and this may be true for the paper staff as well.

I would like to personally thank all the workers at the Center for their caring and interest in our children. Oakland is a unique campus and it would serve the *Post* well to point out the unusual and the little-known to its readers.

Sincerely,
Teresa Schroeder

Sociology prof says Post should include 'university' in name

Editor,

Although I was pleased to see the new *Oakland Post*, I am concerned that the new title is very close to the *Oakland Press*. As long as people at Oakland University refer to this institution simply as Oakland, we will be confused with the community college and the county. We are Oakland University and *University* should be part of the title.

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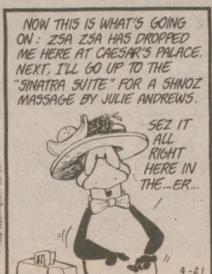
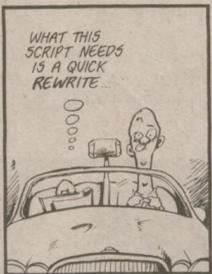
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Pillow Walk



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Physical therapy students walk to class.

Annual Septemberfest celebration combines familiar events, new activities

By CLAUDETTE ZOLKOWSKI
Staff Writer

Septemberfest is here. A tradition on campus since 1978, Septemberfest is a welcome back festival for students and alumni. Septemberfest is also a chance for students to see what Oakland has to offer, according to Paul Franklin, coordinator of campus programs. The activities combine games, food and entertainment. Today the Student Programming Board is sponsoring two games of Simon Says. Game one is scheduled for noon by Beer Lake. Game two will be at 6:15 p.m. in the Oakland Center's Executive Lounge. According to Franklin, the goal is to have "as large a Simon Says game as we can." He expects "hundreds of people" to participate. Prizes will be awarded to the players who last the longest. M.J. Hoffmann, sophomore, said,

"I think it will be unique. I've never seen anything like that at Oakland before. I will be out there participating with everyone else." On the other hand, sophomore Kenny Lewis feels "It's not something I would go to, it's not my idea of fun." The second annual Meet Me in the O.C. will be Wednesday from 4 to 7 p.m. "We literally close down Vandenberg cafeteria, everyone (residents) has to go," said Jean Ann Miller, coordinator of residence halls programs. Each room in the O.C. will feature different meal types. The rooms each floor will eat in depends on a contest running in the Vandenberg cafeteria. Whoever guesses the closest number of red M&M's in a jar chooses the room their floor will eat in. The closest guess chooses next and so on. This event is open to commuter students, but some rooms will be

closed to them. The price to eat in the O.C. for commuters at that time will range from \$4.00 to \$5.00, according to Carl Bender, food service director. Each room will feature specials and entertainment: **Crockery-Mama Mia's Cafe** will feature an Italian buffet and a strolling violinist and guitarist. **Iron Kettle-Best Food For Fast Times** will present a table-side magician. **Gold Rooms-Specialties of Michigan** will highlight cherry pie, trout and Frankemuth style chicken. Entertainment will be a piano bar. **Oakland Room-Jams** restaurant in honor of Jean Ann Miller will provide a harpist for entertainment. **O.C. Patio-The Beer Lake Yacht Club** will feature a BBQ and a barbershop quartet. **Fireside Lounge-Free cider** and doughnuts will accompany a belly

dancer. "I went (to Meet Me in the O.C.) last year," said senior David Stillman, "It was fun." Junior Julie Maples said, "It's too much of a pain to sign up for a certain meal. We went out (to eat) last year and we are planning on going out this year." A Commuter Council fair on Thursday will be outdoors between O'Dowd Hall and Kresge Library. It will be conducted like a carnival with booths set up for games. Student Organization Day will be part of the fair though it is usually found inside the O.C. This year, according to Franklin, the event is geared to reach students who don't spend a lot of time in the O.C., to make them aware of what is happening on campus. Stillman said, "It will be a great place to meet people, play games and blow off steam from school."

Engineering students attempt international auto design event

By CLAUDIA HILAIRE
Staff Writer

Society of Automotive Engineers students stepped outside of the classroom and into the driver's seat when they designed, built and finally tested the Maverick in the organization's Supermilage contest June 6 in Marshall, Michigan. The international Supermilage contest is an annual event of the SAE. Akin to an engineer's olympics, students assemble an overall design and engine proposal, competing for the most energy efficient car. Cars must pass SAE's technical, safety, maneuverability, stability and performance testing requirements. One-third of the cars entered failed the performance testing. All cars were required to have drivers and maintain speeds of 20-30 mph during the six-lap run. Oakland's team placed 14 out of 26 entries from U.S. and Canadian universities. This was Oakland's

first year with the Maverick. The rules require an official to weigh a fuel tank and connect it before it may drive its six competitive laps. Afterward, the tank is weighed so the milage can be computed. During the fourth lap, the connection the official made on the Maverick came loose, dumping out its fuel. Dean Wisniewski, chairman of the committee that designed the Maverick, was angered. "We were not the only school this happened to. But even with my constant protesting, the rules made no allowance for another performance run." Afterward, at the awards ceremony, the head official apologized to Wisniewski and driver Craig Riedel on the ruling. Professor Brian D. Sangeorzan, faculty advisor for the Maverick committee, believes Oakland's effort would have made top ten, if not for the fuel dump. "Because we have experience now, I think we will do much better in '88. We

know the testing procedure...now." Oakland Engineering students Wisniewski, Riedel, James Schmalz, Daniel Thomas and Vincent Griffiths started the project last February. Oakland's SAE chapter is ranked third largest in the country; students were allotted \$225 for the Maverick. No space for building was available in Dodge Hall, so students worked in the pig barn across from the baseball field. Wisniewski went to private sector corporations for financial support. Previous designs and parts from past supermilage attempts were also used for economy. Wisniewski said most corporations were helpful. "Quasar labs let me use the laser in their corporate labs. Our front-end design incorporated computer-controlled laser cutting with standard machining. It was popular with onlookers at Supermilage. Even the professor of the winning school photographed its design."

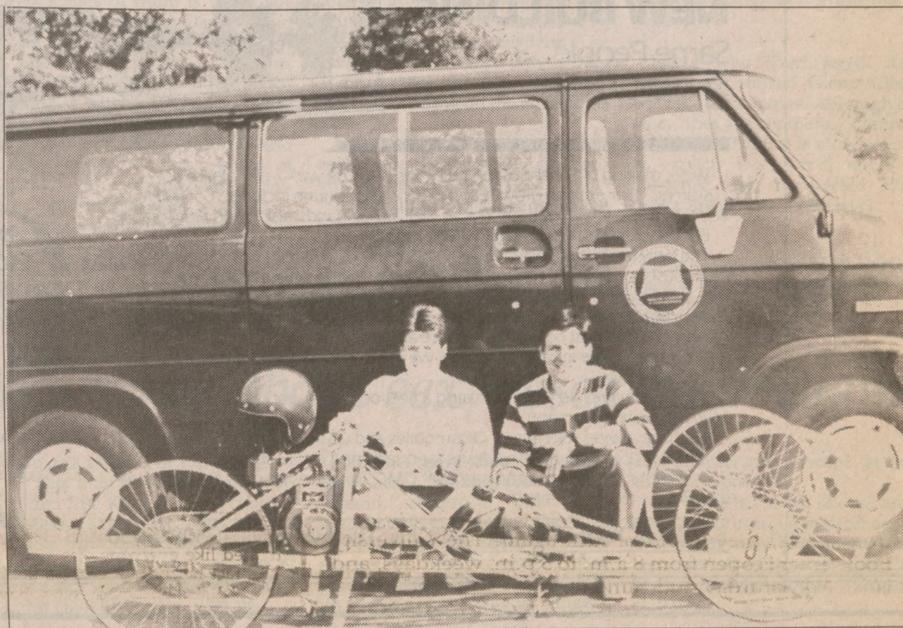


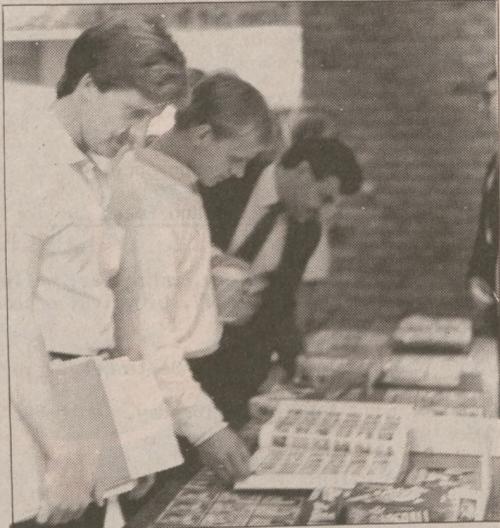
Photo courtesy of Dean Wisniewski

Dean Wisniewski, chairman, and Craig Riedel, driver, with the Maverick.

New award notes student achievers

By FLORI ROSENBERG
Features Editor

Faculty members are on the prowl for special student accomplishments to be recognized by a new award. The Undergraduate Distinguished Achievement Award consists of a citation and a check for \$500. It is for those who go well beyond academic accomplishments, according to Dr. Gottfried Brieger, chairperson of the award's selection committee. A literary effort, an artistic creation, exceptional research, a musical performance: all are potential means to be nominated for the yearly award, Brieger said. Students in all majors are eligible and one does not have to be a senior, he stressed. In fact, he added, more than one award may be offered in a year. The first one was awarded yesterday at the fall commencement ceremonies. Joanne Hartson was recognized for being the first to translate a particular Spanish novel. Hartson, who has seven children, graduated with a 3.8 grade point average. The idea for the Undergraduate Distinctive Achievement Award was formulated two years ago as a result of the first faculty-staff campaign. According to Brieger, "the campaign is for the general advancement of undergraduates." Contributors can specify how they want the money to be used. The campaign raised approximately \$60,000, Brieger claimed. Half of the money formed a new scholarship which has already gone into effect. The other half of the funds is for the new award. Brieger feels that up to now, academic achievement in students has not received enough recognition; athletic accomplishments have always been given special attention. "We hope to give more meaning to...excellence," he said.



The Oakland Post/Jill Nowaczyk

Students look at Registrar Larry Bartalucci's baseball cards which were displayed in the Oakland Center last Wednesday.

Baseball card collection of 90,000 displayed in O C

By FLORI ROSENBERG
Features Editor

Bragging about a collection that spans over 30 years, Larry Bartalucci, registrar, proudly displayed his baseball cards in the Oakland Center last Wednesday. Bartalucci said that after frequent showing off about his collection, he decided to share part of it with the students on campus. He estimates that the collection he began in the 1950s now contains 90,000 cards. Besides baseball, the cards commemorate sports like volleyball, football and wrestling. Collecting cards was a popular pastime when Bartalucci was growing up, he said. "Every kid in my neighborhood thought they were going to play first base for the Tigers." Trading cards was a natural ex-

tension, he explained. Those cards from the '50s are the ones Bartalucci is proudest of, he claimed, because they hold the most memories and are the most valuable. Five years ago, he began to assemble a collection of baseball "coins" which were offered in tea and pudding containers in 1962. Two-hundred-twenty-seven coins were released, some are worth up to \$100. He said one nice part of collecting is that when a person takes a break from the hobby, they can go back later and fill in the gaps. But, today, he added, "You don't do much trading, that's the sad part." Since about 180 sets of cards are offered in the United States now, Bartalucci feels it is too expensive to try to obtain all of them. "Pick your specialty and go with it," he advised.

Career workshop attracts large number of graduating students

By FLORI ROSENBERG
Features Editor

The second Plymouth Career Search Workshop on campus drew 166 interested students last Thursday.

The two-hour workshop was presented by *Business Week Careers* magazine and was hosted by the career placement office on campus.

According to Donald Robinson, a career consultant for *Business Week Careers*, the workshop covers everything students need to know. When recent college graduates enter the job market, he said, "Most people have no idea what to do. There is a right way."

The workshop came to Oakland as part of a 120-campus tour. Robinson said that the program began two and a half years ago and since then, about two hundred colleges have been visited.

"It fills a great need," said Allen Scott, the associate director of the career placement center. "I think students as a whole responded very favorably," he added.

"I thought it was great...they covered all the bases," claimed Mark Thurber, a chemistry major who attended last Thursday. "It was stuff that I'd heard before," said communications major Ralph Irish.

Psychology major Kathy Arrington feels the workshop was beneficial. However, she said, "There wasn't as much information as I thought there would be on actually finding a job."

Aside from attending career search workshops, Robinson suggested students near graduation start looking closely at their resumes. Think about "what you can do with your training," he said.

He also recommended "informational interviews" with a professional in the field a student is interested in. "Understand what the career... involves," Robinson emphasized.

Campus 'lost and found' items destined for police auction

By DAWN SCHAFFER
Staff Writer

Bicycles, gold necklaces and bracelets are among the "lost and found" items to be auctioned Tuesday from noon to 1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge in the Oakland Center.

The items, five year's worth, will be on display in room 125 of the O.C. today from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and in the Fireside Lounge tomorrow morning.

Merchandise can be pursued in two ways. The most interesting items will be bid on in the live auction.

The auctioneer, Sergeant Richard Tomczak of the university's Department of Public Safety, will

find the highest bidder. Sealed bids will be accepted for all other merchandise until 1 p.m. tomorrow.

The university is required to hold "lost and found" items for 90 days. After the time elapses they can be auctioned off. All unclaimed clothing is donated to the Salvation Army.

The auction is a joint effort of Public Safety and CIPO. All of the items are stored by the public safety office.

Paul Franklin, coordinator of campus programs, said the auction will be fun. He's "amazed at the types of things left behind and not claimed."

An auction held in 1982 included a one and one half carat ring and a Rolex watch.

Public Safety Assistant Director Mel Gilroy recalled that the auction went well. "The primary purpose (was) to clear the property out," he said.

Legally, all money raised from the auction must go into the State of Michigan Escheat Fund.

Condom machines installed at colleges

(CPS) — This is the fall a seemingly endless string of campuses has added condoms to the candy bars, sodas, cigarettes and other items students can buy in local vending machines.

Once confined to rural gas stations and sleazy bars, condom vending machines now can be found at the universities of Minnesota, California at Santa Cruz, Bellevue Community College in Washington, Cincinnati, Nebraska and Florida, among scores of other campuses.

Dozens of others are busily debating the propriety of making the devices available.

The reason, the condom sponsors say, is to help control the spread of AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome), the deadly disease transmitted through sexual intercourse or intravenous drug use.

The sponsors add the vending machines give students anonymous, convenient 24-hour access to condoms, an important

value because sexual encounters are often unplanned and spontaneous.

"We're an educational institution," explained Jane Harris of Bellevue Community College. "We educate people about a lot of things, and one of those things is sexually transmitted diseases."

Condom vending machines were installed in men and women's restrooms in Bellevue's student center in May.

"People often aren't thinking during the day about what they'll be doing at night," said Dr. Linda Pneuman, a physician at the University of Colorado's student health center, where the Colorado AIDS task force has recommended installing vending machines.

University of New Mexico health center Director Dr. Olga Eaton believes "condoms are a very good way of preventing the spread of sexually transmitted diseases."

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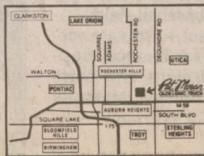
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'Dogman's Last Stand' blends fantasy, reality

By DOC ROSS
Staff Writer

"They use poodles to hunt lions in India."
"Well, awright, maybe big ones, but not toy poodles."
"Toy poodles!" barks the Dogman.
Laid-off steel worker Dogman Thompson is the subject and star of *Dogman's Last Stand*, this season's opener at The Attic Theater.
He is many things: ex-biker, vet, collector of stray dogs, but more than anything he's a weaver of tall tales.
"They've got these really tiny cats, pigmy lions and..."

"Aw, you're full of... (it), man," says his buddy Wally, "pigmy lions?"
Dogman, played by Glen Allen Pruett, takes us through several such tales, not all of them funny, but all riveting, and all enforcing the feeling of fantasy that runs through this very realistic play.
The set, designed by Gary Decker, looks as if it was lifted off the streets of Delray (it's actually based on a street in Melvindale). The screen is ripped, the yard is a mess and there's a 1977 Ford Pinto on blocks in the driveway.
The characters look the part, too. Dogman appears in a faded, sweaty T-shirt, his well sculptured beer

gut shaking like Jello. Wally (Dana Gamarra) is wide-eyed innocence; his girlfriend Pam (Bethany Carpenter) is a tough, sleazy waitress who's been around the block more times than she, or Wally, care to remember.
Their lives are dismal, but typical. The mill has been shut for two years, the neighborhood is going downhill, their hope is all but gone. What they have, and what playwright Rick Cleveland so brilliantly brings out, is a fantasy land where they make their escape.
Martin Dou, the blind hero of Hohn Synge's *Well of the Saints*, created an aura of mystery around himself by telling big stories about

his big deeds in the big world. He had come to the village as a stranger. Dogman was born and bred right in the neighborhood, but his past is cloaked in that same mystery. The locals still worship him.
He's crazy.
He did his stint in Nam; he rode with Hell's Angels; he volunteered for the most dangerous jobs at the mill. "That's what makes it such an interesting place to work," he says.
Dogman lives on the edge. Even if he didn't actually live his stories, he lives his life. That makes his stories believable, and Wally and the audience cling to every word. They show the way out of

hopelessness.
"They'll be calling 200 of us back in a couple of weeks. The union has been busting their... for us."
"How many times have you heard that in the last two years, Wally?"
"But you'll go back, Dogman. You've got seniority."
Dogman howls. Wally's bubble is easily and constantly burst, but he keeps going back for more. The gospel according to Dogman is all that keeps him going.
This bleakness is not immediately apparent. The play is not depressing; it is uproariously funny. Dogman and Wally howl. The dogman speaks, "Howling's bet-

ter for you than sex!"
Dogman's Last Stand was directed by Lavinia Moyer who directed last season's *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom*. This play uses little dramatic action, but her use of the set and her molding of what could have been some pretty bland characters brings the worlds of fantasy and reality to life.
The play runs at The Attic Theater through October 4. A student discount is offered for Thursday night and Sunday matinee performances. The box office number is 875-8284.
The theater is on Third Street at the corner of West Grand Boulevard in mid-town Detroit,

What's Happening

Mainstage will begin their season with the *Jabberwocks* Thursday at 8 p.m. The *acappella* group specializes in music from the '50s but also plays contemporary material.
The show will be in the Oakland Center Crockery.

O.U. Night at the Pontiac Silverdome is this Sunday. The Detroit Lions will play the Chicago Bears at 1 p.m.
Tickets are on sale at the CIPO service window.

The presentation, which begins at 7:30 p.m., is sponsored by the Peace and Justice Committee of St. John Fisher Chapel. The public is welcome and admission is free.

The Riding of Hawkland Moor, a student group on campus, will hold a Medieval Collegium throughout Saturday afternoon in South Foundation Hall.
The event is open to all interested and will include medieval costumes and games.
Call 689-8795 for more information.

By ALISA NASS
Staff Writer

The newly released film, *Fatal Attraction*, lives up to its billing as a "suspense thriller."
The film is from an original screenplay by James Dearden.
The plot centers around a woman named Alex Forrester (Glenn Close) and, her sexual obsession with Dan Gallagher (Michael Douglas) who is a married man.
A spontaneous, explosive weekend affair occurs between the two while Dan's wife and daughter are out of town.

One of the first indications of Alex's state of mind is when she slashes her wrists as Dan is about to leave her apartment.
The realization that Alex wants more than a weekend affair and is obsessed with becoming a part of his life terrifies Dan.
A string of phone calls day and night sets in motion a chain of events, with each incident becoming more bizarre than the last.
Though at first frightened for the security of his marriage, Dan soon fears for his wife and daughter's safety as he realizes Alex is a psychopath, capable of anything.

The audience is placed on a roller coaster as the suspense and anticipation builds and releases with the passing of each incident. The chilling climax is well worth the ride as a surprising turn of events leaves the viewer sitting on the edge of his seat.
Douglas, Close and Anne Archer as the wife all give strong and convincing performances.
Anticipation and suspense in the film is also heightened by the effective mix of scenes flashing back and forth. The often used close camera shots revealing motions is also successful.

The young actress who plays the 5-year-old daughter is irresistible in her scenes.
Those who liked *Jagged Edge* which also starred Glenn Close, will enjoy this movie. Although the story lines are completely different and *Fatal Attraction* is more sexually explicit, the overall effect of suspense and unexpected story twists are on the same level.
Directed by Adrian Lyne, *Fatal Attraction*, is an attention-grabber from beginning to end.

Cinematheque is starting their Great Directors film series with *Killer's Kiss* Saturday at 7 p.m.
Admission is \$1.00.

Apartheid in South Africa will be the topic of Dr. Vincent Khapoya's talk tomorrow night at St. John Fisher Chapel.
Khapoya is an associate professor of political science at Oakland and a native of Kenya. His talk is entitled *South Africa Since U.S. Sanctions: The African Struggle and White Intransigence*.

A GMC Corvette Show will be held at MeadowBrook Village Mall Friday through Sunday.
Corvettes spanning almost 30 years will be displayed throughout the mall.

The Detroit Film Theater at the Detroit Institute of Arts will present *Jean De Florette* Friday and Saturday at 7 and 9:30 p.m.
Tickets are \$5.00. Call 832-2730 for more information.

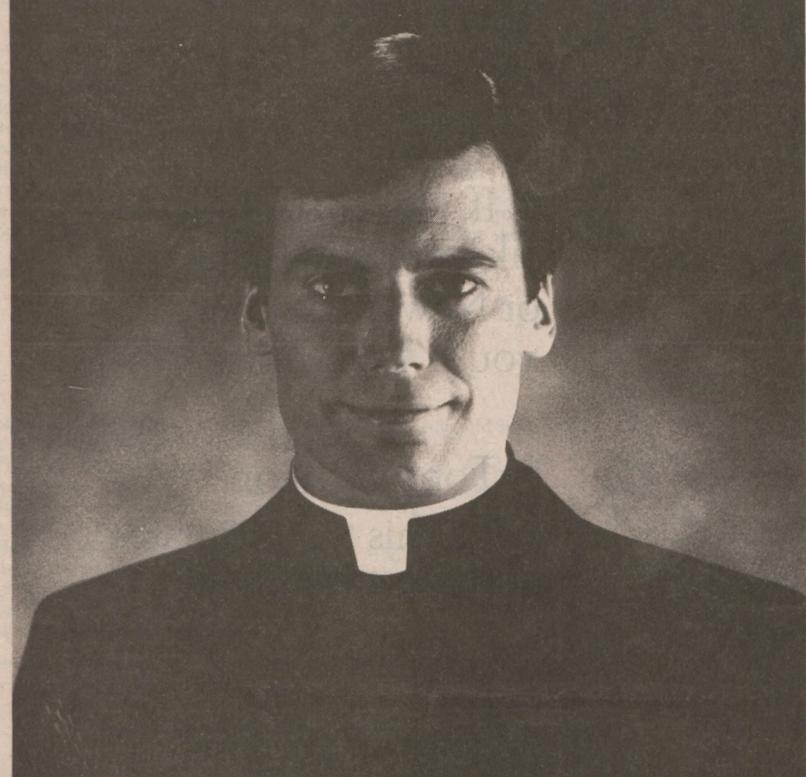
Students rarely think about sex, researchers claim

(CPS)— College and high school students don't think about sex as often as most people assume, researchers claim.
Researchers presenting papers at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association August 30, said students think about sex

only one percent of the time.
"This may be surprising," concluded Eric Klinger, a psychology professor at the University of Minnesota who outfitted 39 students with beepers and had them record what they were thinking when they got a signal from the devices.

Students spent about 20 percent of their time thinking about a 'task at hand,' 14 percent "just looking at or listening to something," six percent "problem solving," three percent in "self evaluation," two percent "telling themselves what to do," one percent time in "anger"

and another one percent, at last, thinking about sex.
Yet thoughts about sex are more emotionally charged than others, so they seem more prominent when teens are asked to recall what they are thinking about, Donner explained.



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- * Campus expansion plans,
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Two Congressional vacancies will be filled at the University Congress meeting on Monday, September 28. If interested, please attend this meeting in Lounge II of the Oakland Center at 4:15 pm. Candidates will be elected by the current University Congress.

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September 18-27 1987
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Date	Event	Location	Time
September 18	SPB Film - Raising Arizona The CoffeeHouse	201 Dodge Goldrooms	7 & 9:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
September 19	SPB Film - Raising Arizona SPB Welcome Back Dance	201 Dodge OC Crockery	3:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
September 20	OU Day at Tiger Stadium The Tigers vs. Milwaukee	Tiger Stadium	
September 21	SPB Special Event Simon Says	Beer Lake Executive Lounge	noon 6:15 p.m.
September 22	The First Lost and Found Auction Volleyball vs. Grand Valley State	Fireside Lounge Lepley Sports	noon 7:00 p.m.
September 23	Meet me in the OC (open to commuter students) SPB Theme Series	Oakland Center 201 Dodge	8:00 p.m.
September 24	Commuter Council Fair Student Organization Day Ice Cream Social SPB Mainstage - The Jabberwocks	Between O'Dowd & The Library at the Fair The Crockery	10 - 2 p.m. & 5 - 10 p.m. 10 - 2:00 p.m. noon 8:00 p.m.
September 25	Commuter Council Fair SPB Film - Platoon	Between O'Dowd & The Library 201 Dodge	10 - 2 p.m. & 5 - 10 p.m. 7 & 9:30 p.m.
September 26	SPB Film - Platoon Third Annual Alumni Softball Challenge NIT Soccer Tournament Missouri - St. Louis vs. Lock Haven Oakland vs. Davis & Elkin Cinematheque Film Killer's Kiss	201 Dodge Baseball Diamond Soccer Field 201 Dodge	3:00 p.m. noon 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
September 27	OU Fencing Competition OU Day in the Silverdome The Lions vs. Chicago NIT Soccer Tournament Lock Haven vs. Davis and Elkin Oakland vs. Missouri - St. Louis (PASS TV)	Lepley Sports Center Silverdome Soccer Field	10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.

Septemberfest

Septemberfest is Oakland University's Annual Welcome Back Festival. It is coordinated by the Major Events Committee and is sponsored by these organizations: Area Hall Council (AHC), The Athletic Department, Cinematheque, CIPD, Coffeehouse Productions, Commuter Council, Residence Hall Programming, the Student Program Board (SPB), and St. John Fisher Chapel.

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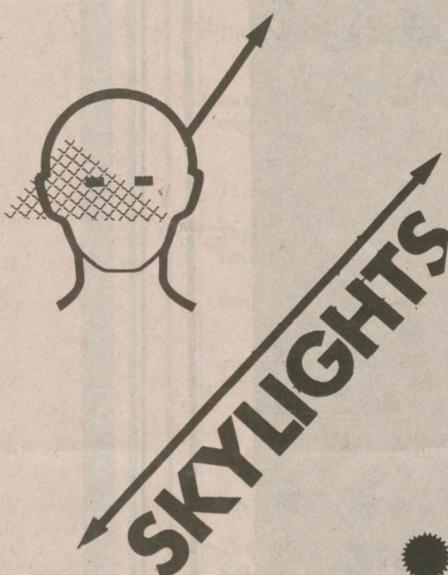
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In Their Own Words

Kelly Williams

I'll never forget. . .

Editor's note: This is the first in a series of columns written by Oakland athletes. My intent is to bring you closer to them, and give you a better idea of what makes them tick. Leading off is the volleyball team's sophomore setter, Kelly Williams.

When I was asked to write a story from a player's perspective, the first thought that entered my mind was the experience I had my freshman year.

I'll never forget the day of my first collegiate volleyball practice. The night before was a sleepless one, full of anxiety. After a 40-minute drive I arrived at Lepley filled with anticipation and nervousness. As a freshman I was expected to be in the gym an hour before practice began, to put up the net and get taped before the upper classmen arrived.

I had no idea what two-a-days (practices twice a day) would be like, what my teammates were like, or what to expect at all. I knew three incoming freshmen and one sophomore. However, as unfamiliar faces arrived the butterflies in my stomach got worse.

The practices were pretty much what I expected in terms of difficulty, however, I wasn't used to so much competition. It seemed that everyone was so good, whereas in high school, a team may only have a few good players.

As two-a-days came to an end and we neared the start of our season, I was informed that I had earned a starting position. At that time I was the only freshman in the starting line-up. The anticipation and nervousness once again set in, and I began to feel unsure and intimidated. I think the intimidation came about not only because I was a freshman, but also because of my position.

I am a setter, and my job is to run the offense, call the plays and take control. My position can be compared to that of a quarterback's on a football team.

Butterflies are free

I'll never forget the first match of my freshman year. I was so nervous. There I was, out on the court with five experienced college players. What was worse was that the opposing team knew I was a freshman; and they were very intimidating.

Probably one of the hardest things I had to learn was to not be concerned about the mistakes I made in the games. I always felt that the mistakes were so stupid, and the reason I made them was because I was a freshman.

But as the season went on I gained the experience and knowledge I needed to feel more secure.

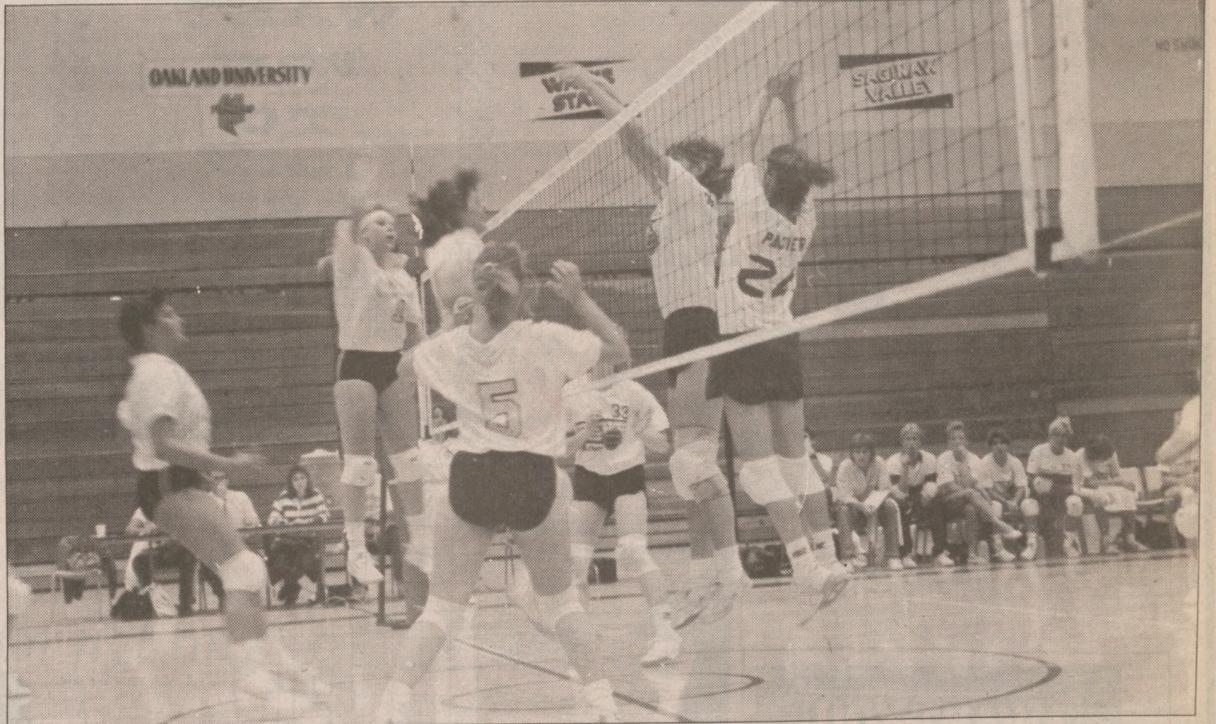
However, the games were not the only thing I found difficult as a student-athlete. Between practices, games, all-weekend tournaments, classes and study time, there never seemed to be any extra time. The fall semester my freshman year I took 12 credits. I had practices every day from 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. or a game at 7 p.m. Almost every weekend I had a volleyball tournament which runs all day Friday and Saturday; and we usually don't get home until late Saturday night or early Sunday morning. With all that, plus classes and homework, I didn't have time for anything else.

Finally a pro

Now as a sophomore I'm used to the hectic schedule and have learned how to make the most of my time.

This year when I walked into Lepley on the first day of two-a-days, the anxiety, anticipation and nervousness were gone. The pressure to perform is still there, but I suspect it always will be; and the same goes for the competition.

However, the butterflies have disappeared, and I no longer have to be at the gym an hour early, nor do I have to put up the net. Best of all, I am no longer an intimidated freshman not knowing what to do. I am a sophomore who knows what to expect and I realize that it can only get better.



The Oakland Post/Art Stephenson
Pioneer volleyball setter and Post columnist Kelly Williams watches as teammates go airborne to beat Schoolcraft Community College 15-12, 15-11, 15-5 and 15-11 in their match last Tuesday.

Spikers get off to 8-1 start, Schoolcraft goes down hard

By TIM DYKE
Sports Writer

If the first two weeks of the season are any indication of things to come, it's going to be a banner year for Oakland Volleyball.

The priceless experience the young team gained last year is just beginning to pay off. They continued to roll last week, putting Schoolcraft Community College away in four games, extending their record to 8-1.

Saturday they opened their Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) schedule against Lake Superior State College in Sault Ste. Marie.

Last year the Pioneers went up north with high hopes, only to come home carrying a loss for their efforts.

Eren excels as Pioneers shut out unlucky foes

By DAVID HOGG
Sports Writer

The soccer team got their season on track last week with a pair of one-sided victories.

On Sept. 12 the Pioneers defeated the Hope College Flying Dutchmen at Oakland 4-0. On Wednesday, they traveled to Spring Arbor College and crushed the Cougars 8-0.

In the first game, Paul Phillips took a pass from Sel Eren and

This season, more mature and off to a quick start, the netters look to avenge last year's loss and gain momentum for the big home match against tough Grand Valley State College on Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Although the Pioneers are off to a flying start, allowing their opponents to win just four games this season, they're keeping the early success in perspective.

"The experience we gained last year will help a lot," said junior Tracey Jones. "We just have to play hard, one game at a time and not get overconfident."

In the match against Schoolcraft the Pioneers were forced to four games before disposing of their pesky junior college opponents 15-12, 15-11, 5-15, 15-11.

"We knew they were a good volleyball club. They were ranked

fifth in the nation for junior colleges," Coach Bob Hurdle said. "We played well but not as well as we are capable of."

The team also put on a stellar performance at the Indiana-Purdue Tournament Sept. 4 and 5. Oakland took three out of four matches enroute to a strong tournament finish; a complete reversal from 1986 when they dropped three straight matches at the same tournament.

In the opening round the Pioneers tore up St. Joseph of Indiana 18-16, 15-6 and 15-11 before getting rocked by host Indian-Purdue 9-15, 9-15 and 8-15. From then on it was all winning as Oakland came back strong against Slippery Rock 15-8, 15-5 and 15-8, and taught St. Joseph not to come

calling twice; sending them packing again 15-2, 15-8 and 15-8.

Jones put on a strong performance, making the all-tournament team with 37 kills, a .311 hitting percentage, three solo blocks and 19 assists.

Freshman Holly Hatcher also made her mark, attaining a .333 percentage with 14 kills and just four errors. Hurdle was also pleased with the on-coming play of Sue Lormin.

With Grand Valley State College here Tuesday, starting a series of key GLIAC matches, Hurdle is glad to have the Lakers on his home court.

"They're real strong and it should be an interesting match," he said. "I'm glad we're at home, it's a good place to have them."

Tennis team beats Saginaw

By RALPH ECHTINAW
Sports Editor

The Pioneer women's tennis team came away from a rain-shortened season opener Sept. 12 with a decisive victory over Saginaw Valley State College.

Coach Jim Pinchoff, noting the dark, cloudy skies, asked the Saginaw Valley coach to play the singles matches first, and it apparently paid off. Standard procedure is to play the doubles matches first.

Oakland players ranked one through five won their matches with only one of them going to three sets. Only Lori Kiffner, the sixth rated Pioneer, lost her match.

The clouds finally disgorged their watery cargo during the doubles matches, forcing everyone to run for cover with all three Pioneer doubles teams ahead of their respective opponents. At that point Saginaw's coach forfeited the match since there was no possibility of winning it, and they had a two-hour drive back to Saginaw ahead of them.

Number one Pioneer Marge Messbarger beat Terry Bako 6-3, 3-6 and 7-5. Kris Jeffrey overcame Tammy Manninan 7-6 and 6-2. Newcomer Heather Duncan flipped Mary Doukaert 6-3 and 6-1. Gretchen Ballen dumped Linda Taeglis 6-3 and 6-2. Kelley Hayden dispatched Monique Steenhouse 6-3 and 6-4. And Lori Kiffner lost to Kellie McDonald 2-6 and 6-7.

Pinchoff says he is quite impressed with the results, and looks forward



The Oakland Post/Jill Nowaczyk
Top Oakland cross country runner Ken Osmun led the pack of 371 runners all the way in the Apple Amble run from Oakland University to Rochester.

Osmun first in local run

By RALPH ECHTINAW
Sports Editor

The cross country team, albeit inexperienced, made a respectable showing at the annual Apple Amble run from Oakland University to Rochester, according to Coach Hal Commerson.

The team's sole returning member, Ken Osmun, led all the way and finished ahead of 371 others with a time of 25:35 for the five-mile run. Sean Miller finished third at 26:40; Jeff Kepich 22nd at 29:15; Mark Spezia 30th at 30:05; and Todd Robertson 84th at 33:53.

Commerson, not hiding his teams lack of experience said, "For the first couple of guys I was pret-



The Oakland Post/Jill Nowaczyk
A Pioneer soccer player goes on one hand to kick the ball into the net for a mock score in practice last week.

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SOCCER

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scores to complete the rout. Goalie Jeff Vakratsis was the beneficiary of the offensive show, recording the third straight shutout by an Oakland goalie. The last goal scored against the Pioneers came with 1:58 left in the East Stroudsburg game on Sept. 5.

Among the highlights of the season thus far is the play of freshman forward Sel Eren. Eren has netted five goals in four games and leads the team in scoring. Coach Gary Parsons, while "pleasantly surprised" by Eren's scoring spree, expected him to be one of the team's leading scorers when he was recruited from Windsor's Herman High School.

Other new players making a scoring impact are Paul Phillips and transfer Yong Song. Newcomers Jeff Vakratsis and Nino DiCosmo have both played well in goal.

Even though Oakland has shut out three straight opponents, Parsons is no closer to choosing a first-string goalie. "This week didn't show me anything, because neither Hope nor Spring Arbor put very much pressure on our defense and goalies," he said. Both Vakratsis and DiCosmo are undefeated. Last year's starter Vince Aliberti is recovering from an injury that caused him to miss the Spring Arbor road trip.

Oakland's next game is Sept. 23 at Western Michigan University. The Pioneers take a 7-1-1 lifetime record against the Broncos into Wednesday's game.

Later, Oakland will host the National Invitational Soccer Tournament on the weekend of Sept. 26 and 27. On Saturday, the Lock Haven University Bald Eagles will play the University of Missouri-St. Louis Rivermen at 1 p.m. and Oakland will take on the Davis and Elkins College Senators at 3 p.m. Sunday, the Bald Eagles play the Senators and the Pioneers try to capsize the Rivermen.

TENNIS

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ward to the future: "I told the girls I didn't want to lose a match this season. I want to go undefeated."

The team missed some valuable practice last week leading up to Saturday's road game against Saginaw Valley. They usually practice on the tennis courts behind the Lepley Sports Center but were rained out three times. They accumulated approximately six hours of practice last week, some of it at the One-on-One Athletic Club where Pinchoff works days as a pro.

Anticipating Saginaw Valley to be tougher on their own turf, Pinchoff considers it a definite advantage to play at home, citing the familiar surroundings and courts. He said he would play all his team's matches at home if he could.



The Oakland Post/Art Stephenson
Some days it's so cold outside that our soccer team needs jackets to keep warm during practice.

Soccer club undefeated player ejected for fighting

By MARC MORANIEC
Sports Writer

The women's soccer club is 3-0 after sliding past the University of Windsor and Bowling Green State University Sept. 12 and 13.

Taking their act into Canada the Pioneers beat a stubborn University of Windsor team, 3-2. Kathy Nagler opened the scoring for Oakland with her first goal of the season. After Windsor evened the score, midfielder Dorene Dudek picked up a loose rebound and punched it into the net, making it 2-1 Pioneers. Dudek said she picked up the rebound when the ball bounced off the Windsor goalie.

"I just drilled it into the back of the net from about eighteen yards," she said. Windsor tied it later only to have Oakland go ahead for good on a goal by Lori Nicley with 10 minutes to play.

Nicley picked up Sunday where she left off Saturday by scoring the game's first goal, putting her team out front early in the Pioneers' 3-1 win against Bowling Green. Kathy Cole gave the club a 2-0 lead in the first half but the Falcons scored just before intermission, trying to keep it close.

It was Nicley once again who added some insurance in the second half, scoring her fifth goal in just three games played this season.

The game got a little rough when Oakland's Amy Ayelsworth was given a red card for punching another player. A red card in soccer works like the sixth foul in basketball, it requires the player to sit out the rest of the game.

Ayelsworth said she was guarding her opponent closely when the Bowling Green player hit her in

the back after the ball was kicked away. An enraged Ayelsworth responded quickly: "I naturally hit her back. I was really excited and didn't think about what I was doing."

Unfortunately, the referee saw only Ayelsworth's punch, and the Bowling Green player went unpunished. Dudek, who witnessed the fight told Ayelsworth, "If you're going to get kicked out you should have hit her in the face a couple of times."

The club put their winning streak on the line last weekend with games at Calvin College in Grand Rapids and at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. This Wednesday they play Schoolcraft Community College at 5 p.m. on the soccer field behind the Lepley Sports Center.

Intramurals start today

By MARC MORANIEC
Sports Writer

The 1987-88 intramural season opens today with flag football and softball action.

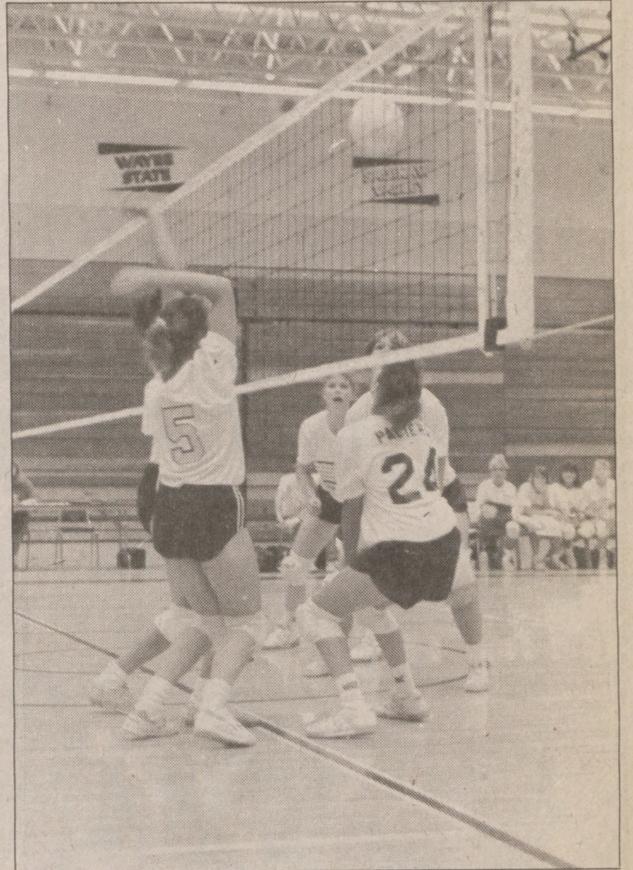
In flag football, there will be two leagues, men's and women's. All standard football rules apply, with the exception of tackling. The defense has only to pull a flag attached to the offensive player's waist.

In the men's league, Team Budweiser will try to defend their title. While in the women's division the Southern Comfort team could be a force to reckon with this year. They've made the finals two of the past three years, winning it all in the 1984-85 season.

For softball, there will be a men's league and a coed league. Intramural softball rules match standard practice for the game with one exception. In the coed division the batting orders will be staggered according to sex.

Last year's champion men's team, the Hung team, aims to make it back-to-back titles. While in the coed division the Reynold's Rap team plans on wrapping up their second consecutive intramural championship.

Later, in the Winter semester, floor hockey, basketball and volleyball will replace softball and football as recreation alternatives



The Oakland Post/Art Stephenson
The Pioneers showed what they're made of against Schoolcraft by winning a close match that went to four games Sept. 15.

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The Oakland Post/Art Stephenson
Soccer Club President Sara Voikin practices on the field behind the Lepley Sports Center before Saturday's game with Calvin College in Grand Rapids.

COUNTRY

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ty satisfied." The other three, he said, need more work. "They didn't run great times but they were competitive," he said about Spezia and Kepich.

Robertson, although bringing up the rear, retains Commerson's support. "He's got a long way to go, but he understands that."

Commerson would seem to have a big job ahead of him bringing quality cross country back here. Of his current crew, only Osmun and Miller have any cross country experience at all. (Miller, a freshman, ran in high school.) "Our inexperience is going to hurt us, there's no doubt about that," said Commerson.

Osmun, although Oakland's best runner, hasn't reached his peak yet according to Commerson.

"This is tough, it's not easy," said the coach. "It takes somebody with a little courage and a lot of heart to stick with this." Six runners have tried out for the team this semester and quit. "That says a lot for those (who are still on the team)," said Commerson.

Going into last Saturday's Midwest Collegiate Championships at Kenosha, Wis., Commerson was not harboring great expectations. "We're not ready to score well in the big meets yet," he said.

Nevertheless, he's satisfied with his runners' progress. "They're all coming along pretty nicely," he added.

The course in Kenosha, although periodically manicured, could be somewhat beat up when Oakland's runners get their chance along with 24 other midwest teams. Northwestern Illinois University is running two races on it before the Midwest Championships, and the women's teams will run as well. Oakland's runners will be in the fourth and final race. If it rains, they could be in for a rough time, despite the half inch spikes on the soles of their running shoes.

Commerson will take five runners to the meet: Osmun, Miller, Kepich, Spezia, and Barry Valko, the team's newest member. Robertson will miss the 8000 meter event due to a previous commitment with the Marine Corp Reserve. Commerson said the best finishing time should be around 25 minutes and the worst, 35 minutes.

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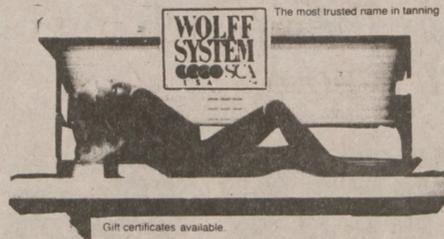
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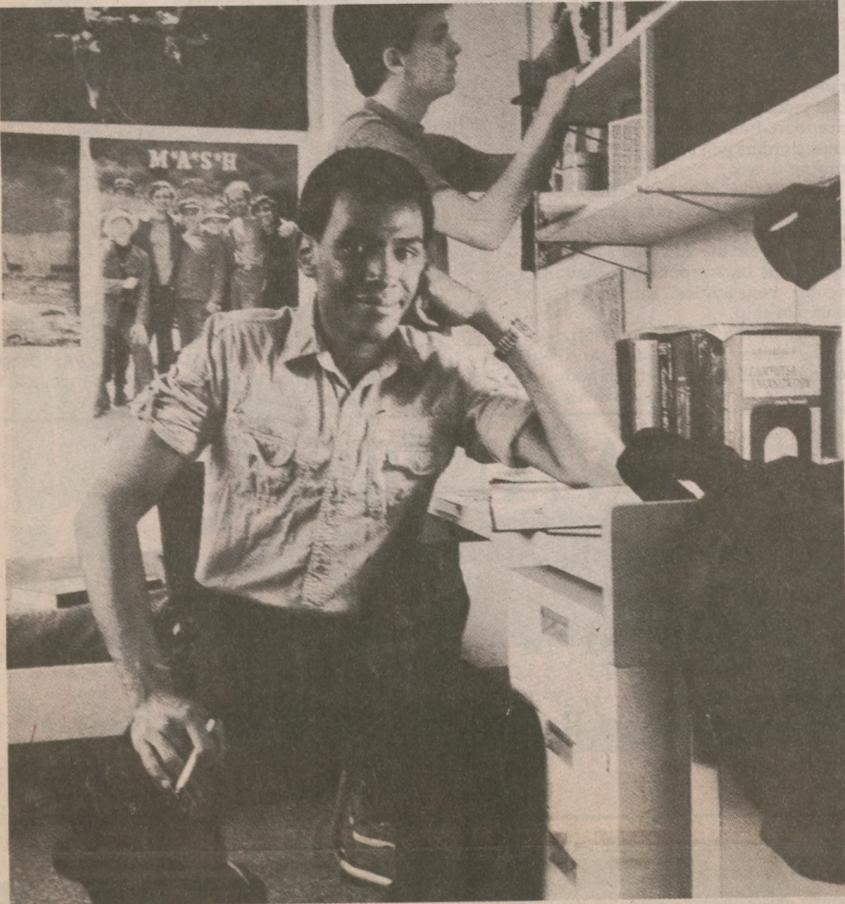


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