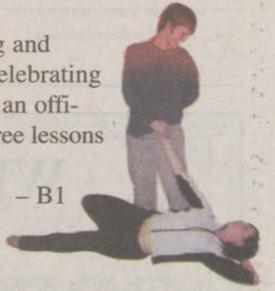




Junior guard Anne Hafeli's 25 points led the OU women's basketball team over UMKC Monday night. - B6



The new Swing and Salsa Club is celebrating its first year as an official club with free lessons for participants.



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Former Oklahoma congressman, J.C. Watts signs copies of his book, "What Color Is A Conservative?" after his lecture entitled "Our Nation Today" given in Meadow Brook Theatre Monday afternoon as part of the Martin Luther King Jr. birthday recognition. Dante Cuillo/The Oakland Post

# Work in progress

## Watts believes problems have evolved beyond Dr. King's time

SHEILA KOSZTOWNY  
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

You've seen his picture all over campus smiling in front of an American flag.

Former congressman J.C. Watts carried the same smile as he spoke in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

In an event sponsored by the Student Life Lecture Board, Watts talked to students about today's challenges on Monday in the Meadow Brook Theatre.

In his lecture titled "Our

Nation Today," Watts used Dr. King's dreams of the 1960s to illustrate how the current problems in the U.S. government can be fixed by the dreams of today.

"If it had not been for Dr. King and the many brave brothers and sisters - red, yellow, brown, black and white - at his side, finally setting in motion the beginning of the end of blatant discrimination, the problems we face now would be far, far worse," Watts, 47, said.

Watts recognized the progress that Dr. King made for

the black community, but has concern over current issues such as education, poverty and taxation for all Americans.

"Would Dr. King be satisfied with the progress of America today?" Watts asked. "And especially, would Dr. King be satisfied with what has happened in the black community today? I have to think that Dr. King would be disappointed in the progress that has been made in social and economic life."

Watts marked the education progress that Dr. King made for

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# Discussing the 'Dream'

BY ALLISON BRUNNER  
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

The African-American literature taught in Dr. Kathleen Pfeiffer's American literature course continually surprises students.

"Students complain in their course evaluations because they do not understand why they have to read a book by a black author," Pfeiffer said.

On the other hand, Dr. Jude Nixon, a professor of Victorian literature and director of the Honors College, finds people are shocked to discover he does not teach your typical "black courses," such as African American literature or sociology.

"It shouldn't matter that I am black, but to some it does," Nixon said.

Such perceptions and challenges were the topic of discussion at Monday's panel luncheon "When Dreams Become Nightmares" held to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Presented by the Association of Black Students (ABS), the multicultural panel included professors Kathleen Pfeiffer and Jude Nixon, students Crystal Allen and Duane Hurt, retention coordinator for the Center for Multicultural Initiatives, Michelle Southward, and community activist Kenny Anderson.

Emcee and ABS Treasurer, EliYah Sankofa's first question to the panelists was in reference to the program's title. Anderson suggested that perhaps King's dreams were merely fantasies and the nightmares are actually the hellish reality we now live in.

He also suggested that since "85 percent of blacks live in five (metro Detroit) cities: Southfield, Pontiac, Inkster, Highland Park and Detroit," there was some question about whether they had segregated from suburbia by choice.

Southward added that when she walks



Members of the "When Dreams Become Nightmares" (from left) EliYah Sankofa, Michelle Southward, Duane Hurt, Crystal Allen, Dr. Jude Nixon, Dr. Kathleen Pfeiffer and Kenny Anderson answer questions from the audience on Monday in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

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The Oakland Post

through the OC or sits in class, she finds students migrate towards people who are like themselves.

"The nerdy blacks sit by the nerdy blacks, the smart blacks sit by the smart blacks," she said.

Nixon feels society sees certain people making progress for blacks, such as musicians or actors, and think that all blacks are progressing, when in reality, he

says, "we are not making much progress."

Whites are raised and taught to become more "black-friendly," Hurt said. "But the key is to teach people to embrace all parts of their identity as well as others."

"Students have become disconnected from King's vision because black leadership has become disconnected from the vision," Anderson said.

Referring back to the civil rights

movements of the '60s, Anderson said, "Women did the least and got the most; blacks did the most and got the least."

Nixon said people are fighting to get rid of affirmative action, but it has never really done anything.

"There are no black chairs or deans of departments, even though 25 to 30 percent of professors on OU's campus are black," he said.

Southward asked questions to the audience regarding how many of their friends were still sleeping in because classes were suspended? How many professors were in their offices playing monopoly on the computer because it was a day off? And how many people were actually embracing and celebrating the life of King?

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Pins were handed out as part of the AAC 2005 Opening Ceremonies Tuesday afternoon.

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# African-American Celebration begins

BY ALLISON BRUNNER  
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

Cake, punch, giveaways and speakers helped kick off the African-American Celebration (AAC) 2005 Opening

Ceremony, Tuesday, Jan. 18 in the Fireside Lounge.

Co-Chair for the AAC Month Committee, Chardin Claybourne-Bey welcomed everyone in attendance and

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# New group impacts OU

BY AARON WALKER  
THE OAKLAND POST

Sisters of Success, otherwise known as S.O.S., first hit OU's campus in the fall semester of 2004.

Its purposes are to promote community service, empower women, advance health and nutrition, establish social relationships and strengthen self-esteem.

Although the group's central focus is on women, males are accepted and encouraged to contribute.

"We're open to any positive minded person. Male, female, black, white, orange or green," co-founder and president KaKela Baker said.

Its inaugural meeting took place on Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2005 in the OC.

It featured current OU students, both male and female, alumni and faculty.

Future meetings will convene at least once a month on a Tuesday or Thursday in the OC.

Some of the things the group is looking to accomplish include helping promote reading and writing in inner city elementary

schools in Pontiac and Detroit, host a Women's Awareness Month,

a Women's Forum and a Poetry Night are all among the ideas lined up.

This group of positive minded, eager individuals has already begun to give back to the community.

During the fall semester, they sponsored a clothing drive for the Salvation Army and Pontiac homeless shelters.

Another clothing drive was conducted by S.O.S. at its inaugural meeting.

"When I was in school is when these types of organizations were getting started, and I felt that I benefited from them," the group's advisor, special lecture in rhetoric, Sherry Wynn said.

"It was just a natural extension for me to help them." Lisa Banks, a senior business management major said, "I feel S.O.S. will benefit the community by bringing people together and helping the less fortunate and people who just need the support of other women."

For more information about S.O.S., please contact KaKela Baker at sos\_org@yahoo.com.

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KaKela Baker  
Co-founder, president  
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### LOOK FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS IN FEBRUARY 2005!

Wednesday, February 9th  
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**Mock Behavioral Interviews**  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Rm. 156, West VBH

Thursday, February 17th  
**Internship Panel**  
12:00 - 1:00 pm  
Gold Rooms A & B, OC

Tuesday, February 22nd  
**Disney Presentation**  
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## OU alumni succeed overseas

BY ROQAYA ESHAWI  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Several months ago, three OU alumni, Robert Hillman, Sean Porter and Seth Schindler, traveled to Managua, Nicaragua to establish an office for Global Outreach, a Canadian non-governmental organization.

Last June, The Oakland Post published an article about their endeavor.

The goal, Porter said in a previous interview with The Post, is to have "an information based (system) to link the diverse groups in Nicaragua to facilitate an appropriate and efficient use of resources."

Porter, a political science graduate with a minor in linguistics, left for Managua in July.

Schindler, a history graduate with a minor in German, and Hillman, a political science graduate with a philosophy minor, joined him in August.

Hillman is currently in the United States, raising funds for the program.

**Post:** Can you briefly tell me why you went to Nicaragua?

**Hillman:** In different organizations and under different circumstances, there are always strings attached.

We wanted to go down there and interact on a more even level ... becoming part of the community, offering what we have, making a difference with them and learning with them.

Whether it's with the Peace Corps or other organizations, there are economic objectives that need to be met, it's like "well we're sending you there so ... that maybe they'll like the United States more, or they'll speak English better so that they can get jobs so that our economy can benefit from them."

But it's not like that ... people need to have jobs,

they also need to be able to know when they're being taken advantage of.

**Post:** What are the goals the three of you have set?

**Hillman:** First, it is to help people learn, and for us to learn in return, for there to be a cultural exchange.

We want to help Nicaraguan people to, through our small knowledge, gain a little bit of an advantage in gaining jobs, and we want to make human rights issues more well-known.

We're not down there to create something for ourselves. We're down there to create something for the community and we're taking an interdisciplinary approach to it.

Our programs are not so we can teach; they're so that we can respond to the needs of the community.

We're very much involved in keeping an open discourse with the people that we're down there living with, and making sure that our goals are in line with what their needs are.

**Post:** Did you experience culture shock when you first arrived?

**Hillman:** There was a lot of culture shock for me; dealing with the poverty, dealing with the proximity to other people, and then not being able to speak the language for the first four or five weeks that I was there.

It was a little difficult at the beginning being the new deal in town.

There were always kids looking through our windows, there's just really no privacy, so that was something all of us had to adjust to.

It's different; because I have blue eyes and white skin, I'm automatically the other person, which I've never experienced before.

And because of America's policies down there in the 1980s and early 1990s, the United States has not done itself a lot of goodwill down there, so to

be an American is a little bit of a challenge at times, but usually once I start talking to people, there's no problem.

**Post:** Can you tell me about America's policies?

**Hillman:** During basically the whole 20th century, there was a dictatorship in power in Nicaragua that was supported by the United States government, especially during the Cold War.

And it was a right-wing dictatorship held by a person named Somoza.

The Somozas were really corrupt, all business that happened, everything got funneled off into the Somozas' pockets.

Because it was U.S.-funded, there were U.S. Marines down there the whole time. A guy named Sandino fought against it ... for a long period of time.

The United States told Sandino that we would be a peace treaty, but when Sandino came in, he was assassinated by the U.S. Marines.

The war continued and the Somozas had more power.

In the 1970s there was a huge earthquake down there.

All of the money for redevelopment, that countries from all over the world sent down there, basically went to the Somozas' funds, very little of it trickled down to the people.

Slowly, these revolutionary sentiments started building up, and then in the late '70s, a group called the Sandinistas, which is the Communist Party down there, started a revolution and basically won it.

Because it was the Cold War and they were Communists, the U.S. government funded a group called the Contras, which were basically what they call Somosistas, or followers of Somoza.

The Sandinistas came into power through the revolution, and then they fought against the United States, but were never able to really establish a government.

In 1990 the Sandinistas put on an election and a more right-wing party won.

It's been years of corruption underneath the right-wing government, and there's a huge swing to the left wing right now.

There are 15 states in Nicaragua.

In November, (2004) there was an election, and 85 percent of the governors are now Sandinistas.

It's just another country in Latin and South America that's moving toward the left, it's interesting.

In the 1990s the World Court found the United States to be in violation of a number of international laws. They had mined all the harbors and put an embargo on.

By mining the harbors, no other ships could get in, so they had enforced a U.S. policy of an embargo on the whole world, basically suffocating the country.

But because of the embargo, because of the war, because of the fact that the U.S. supported Somoza, there's a lot of hard feelings there, especially in Managua, which is a Sandinista city.

The war was so current, so people our age were affected by it; their parents fought, their parents died in it, and so there's still a lot of emotion.

I would call Nicaragua the Iraq of the 1980s, because of the way the U.S. government was postured at the time, it looked like, in some people's minds, a good war to go into, but really it accomplished nothing.

It was a grand failure by the United States, it hurt a lot of people.

**Post:** How else do Nicaraguans view us?

**Hillman:** Just generally, that all Americans are rich, which is basically true in comparison.

Eighty percent of the population lives on less than \$1 a day.

There's generally a feeling that Westerners don't care, or that we're only down there for our own

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## OU holds fund-raiser for tsunami survivors



The OU community raised approximately \$900 to support tsunami survivors at the "Soup for Supper for Tsunami Survivors" held Monday. The event was sponsored by the Center for Student Activities, Student Affairs, the Athletic Department and the Indian Students Association. Volunteers included members of Showtime Creations, St. John Fischer's Chapel and individual students.

## OUSC holds open forum for students

BY CHRISTA ELAINE BADON  
THE OAKLAND POST

Lack of financial aid for disabled students was among the concerns discussed at OU Student Congress' open forum last Friday.

Congress invited students to voice their concerns about issues that affect them and to propose solutions to problems they encounter.

"The operation of student government has not listened," said

former legislator Donald Stuckey.

"Students with disabilities are being overlooked because they are not receiving appropriate funding.

"Many students cannot pay for school because of financial aid

problems as well," he said.

Student body President Jonathan Parks disagreed.

"Congress is an avenue for student voices," he said.

"We only know what students bring us. It's the university's job

to look into the disability issue.

"We are hands-on with financial aid. I always ask students to be patient so we can work together to see the issue solved. It takes time," he said.

Student Services Director Sarah Cook agreed with Parks.

"Disabilities are not being overlooked. It has not been brought to congress' attention," she said, adding that there is currently a disabilities support program on campus.

"There have been a number of meetings about financial aid and we are very receptive to hear student complaints. We are working

with Dr. Snyder about it."

Student body Vice President Michael McGuinness informed students that the Student Activities Funding Board is giving student organizations the opportunity to apply for funds to pay for events.

Cook also informed students about the chance to receive a free parking spot in the OC lot for one month, an initiative started by congress last semester.

She also introduced the OUSC Book Swap, a Web site where students can buy and sell their textbooks online at <http://www2.oakland.edu/bookswap>.

# Professor discusses tricks of the grade

By KAKELA BAKER  
THE OAKLAND POST

Energetic, dynamic, fire and God-fearing were some of the words used by students to describe guest speaker, professor Joe Martin Jr., who discussed techniques on how to earn A's.

College is not about what you know, but whom you know, he said, adding that college is about endurance and not intelligence.

Martin assured his students that they would not receive grades less than B's if they used his techniques.

He demonstrated how to get ahead and earn good grades without having to go through traditional cramming and "hard duty" studying.

Sophomore Nerissa Brown said she really enjoyed the seminar and wishes that more speakers like Martin would visit OU.

Senior Darin Baker said he hopes

Martin will not come back to OU, because if all the students learn his concepts and put them to practice, they may no longer work, adding that he has been using these tricks for a while.

Since students are paying for these services, Brown said, they should attend these events as they benefit the student body.

"I'm pleasantly surprised at the number of students that took advantage of a very important message in a fun way," said Jean Ann Miller, coordinator of the Center for Student Activities.

Students should attend student congress meetings and voice their opinions about these events, as well as voicing their opinions to the Student Program Board, she said.

Martin is a professor at Florida A & M University in Tallahassee. He is also a national speaker, an educational consultant and an author.

On the Net:  
<http://www.Rwuniversity.com>

## Martin's advice on how to survive college

### How to Survive the "Unfair Professor"

"Unless they solicit it ... don't undermine or challenge their authority or decisions.

"Avoid arguing a grade, unless he invites you to, even if you think the grade is unfair. Instead, ask the professor for suggestions on improving it the next time.

"Make sure the professor knows how hard you're working ... even if your grade doesn't reflect it. Utilize office hours, ask for additional resources outside

of class, ask questions about the subject matter, ask for suggestions to improve, etc.

"Trust me, they fall for it every time, including myself."

### How to choose a major

"When potential employers asked me about my college major, I always told them that I majored in 'success' and minored in public relations (my actual major).

"Majoring in success means, regardless of the field you choose, your major won't determine whether you will succeed in the real world.

"Choose a major only if it will lead you to a job that you would be willing to work for free.

"Don't choose a major based on the dollar value of the major."

### How to deal with test anxiety

"Your 'test pressures' are common.

"Don't study to remember, study to understand.

"Prepare to take the test the day before.

"If the test is going to be on Friday, study as if the test will be given on Thursday.

"Look at the big picture.

"The best way to relieve the stress in any situation, is to keep the task or problem in perspective.

"Get the inside scoop. One of the most effective strategies I've ever used in studying for a test is asking the professor or T.A. before the test, 'If you were me, how would YOU study for this upcoming test?'"

"You would be shocked on what they tell you when you compare it to how and what you were 'going to' study for the test."

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<http://www.Rwuniversity.com>

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benefit ... and that's a pretty decent stereotype as well.

Most of the Americans that are down there are hotel entrepreneurs or looking to take advantage of the tourist industry there, and they don't put anything back into Nicaraguan society.

**Post:** How did the community welcome you?

**Hillman:** It was fantastic.

Seth and I pulled up in a taxi, and as soon as we got out, people recognized us simply because of the fact that we're white, and they called to Sean, who just happened to be teaching a class at the same time we arrived.

And people just poured into the street ... it was a very warm welcome. They were bringing us food and willing to share what little they had with us.

**Post:** Where does your funding come from?

**Hillman:** Global Outreach doesn't provide anything.

Having (its) name and standing should give us a little bit of help from the Canadian government, but we have not been able to tap into that efficiently yet.

We started off with fund-raising. We only had \$600 to start off with for the first three months.

I'm in the process of looking at grants right now, but it's very difficult right now.

**Post:** What types of activities does the center offer?

**Hillman:** At the beginning, because we only had such limited funding, we just taught English classes.

We have human rights workshops every Sunday.

We're in the process of publishing a small human rights newspaper.

We're going to start incorpo-



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Robert Hillman tells his experiences in Nicaragua. He says the experience has changed his perspective on many things.

rating computer lessons into what we're doing.

Most of what the employers are looking for down there is people that can use computers and speak English, so we're try-

**"My whole perspective on what a problem is, on what a need is, on what hunger is, has totally been altered by my experiences down there."**

Robert Hillman

ing to fill those needs.

First and foremost, we're a community center, so we want to make sure that we involve the

community as much as possible.

We came across a Brazilian educational philosopher, Paolo Friere, (and) his philosophy is that the only way to really empower people in such poverty is to be able to use the skills that they have to move along the educational process.

Friere describes it as the typical teacher-student dynamic, where the teacher's the person that has information, that has power, and then the student is the person who is nothing and has to listen to the teacher, and the teacher's the

only person who knows.

And we're trying to break down that and make it more of an open conversation in the way that we're teaching, and it's been very successful.

I need to stress the fact that it's not just Sean, Seth and I that are running the place, we're there and we teach the English classes, but it's really a community center.

There's a lot of Nicaraguans that are involved with it, and eventually the goal is that it will be their community center.

**Post:** What are your responsibilities?

**Hillman:** I do administrative work; I taught for about three or four weeks when Sean was here in the United States.

**Post:** How did you experience teaching?

**Hillman:** It was fantastic. The people that we have are very ded-

icated and have a lot of energy and are excited about being in class.

A lot of people can't afford (education), so the fact that we're giving free education has really hit a core.

The people that are there really want to learn and are very much invested, so that makes it fulfilling.

**Post:** How well do you feel you have done in reaching your goals?

**Hillman:** I think we're doing very well. We've been very well received in the community.

I feel that we're just normal members of the community now.

Our English classes are going really well, I'm really excited about the prospects for the human rights (initiatives).

Sean and I are hoping to get more involved in writing academic papers on the situation in Nicaragua in the next few months.

**Post:** Have you participated in Nicaraguan cultural activities?

**Hillman:** Very much so. They have an incredibly vibrant culture.

The music and the dance is the main thing, every Friday or Saturday night everyone goes out dancing.

I've been able to go to a few functions at schools in our neighborhood where they have traditional dance and music.

**Post:** What do you miss while you were there?

**Hillman:** We're so used to being able to get whatever we want (in the United States).

There's not a lot of variety, so for the first couple of weeks I missed that.

But it's amazing, we have so many crutches in this country ... after a while of not having them, I don't even think about it at all.

I think it's really hard for people to understand the lack of

basically everything there is down there.

My whole perspective on what a problem is, on what a need is, on what hunger is, has totally been altered by my experiences down there.

I appreciate the little things a little bit more, and that is more having to do with human interaction and not as much to do with entertainment and money.

**Post:** Is there anything you would like to add?

**Hillman:** I think all of us want to stress the fact that, despite the poverty, the people aren't sad, and they're not begging for help.

They don't want to be viewed as being pathetic.

They're extremely intelligent, they need opportunity, they don't need gifts.

We want to focus on the fact that this isn't charity, it's not that we're giving them something because we feel bad for them.

They're intelligent people, they know how to lead their lives, they're human beings.

They're no lesser than us just because they have less economic means.

I don't want people to look at our organization or to read about us and say, 'oh those poor people down there, oh those nice boys, they're so giving, and what gentle souls.'

It's not like that, what people need is opportunity and not charity, and we're not providing charity.

Generally, it's been a positive experience for all of us, and we've learned a lot from it.

We're down there as members of the community, not as figure-heads.

I think that's a reason that we've had the success we've had. I think it's a bit more modest approach, but it's also an effective approach.

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Wednesday, Feb 9 and Thursday, Feb 10, 9 AM - 12 Noon 156 West Vandenberg Hall  
Pre-registration required through eRecruiting or call 248-370-3250. Register early, limited interview slots available!

January 20, Behavioral Interview Presentation Seminar  
January 20, 25, Resume Writing Clinics  
January 24, marketing Yourself at Career Fairs and Beyond Seminar

January 25, Senior Job Search  
January 26, Diversity Panel Discussion: Reality in Job Trends

Visit the Career Services website at [www.oakland.edu/careerservices](http://www.oakland.edu/careerservices) for more information.

**Diversity Career Fair**  
Thursday, January 27, 2005, 11 AM - 3 PM, OC Banquet Rooms. Open to all OU students and alumni!

January 14, 7 PM, VBH

#### CONGRATULATIONS 2005 KEEPER OF THE DREAM AWARD RECIPIENTS

Andrew Gaines, Katie Miller, Jameelah Muhammad, Ashley Seal

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Applications are now available online at [www.oakland.edu/deanofstudents/](http://www.oakland.edu/deanofstudents/)  
Deadline is Friday, January 28, 2005

### Orientation Group Leaders (OGL) 2005

The OGL experience is a great way to develop phenomenal leadership abilities. If you want to get paid to have a fulfilling and meaningful summer, then we are looking for you to join the 2005 Orientation Team! An OGL is a student leader that helps new students make the adjustment from high school to college life. OGL's guide small groups of new students through the orientation experience, assisting with student advising and registration, facilitating small group discussions, and creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere. If you are interested in becoming an OGL you are required to attend an informational session: Wednesday, Jan 19 at noon or 8 PM, Thursday Jan 20 noon, at 128 Oakland Center. Applications are available online through Future Students and are due by 5 PM Jan 21 to the Office of Admissions, 101 North Foundation Hall. Please email [gold@oakland.edu](mailto:gold@oakland.edu) for more information.

By WILLIAM DOUGLAS  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS  
KRTCAMPUS

WASHINGTON — Amid pomp, protest and unprecedented levels of security, President Bush will usher in a second term Thursday by proclaiming the next four years as a period of hope and opportunity at home and abroad, White House officials said.

Bush will use this week's inaugural festivities, from multimillion-dollar parties to his inaugural address, as a springboard for an unusually ambitious second-term agenda that includes spreading democracy in Iraq and the rest of the Middle East, and revamping Social Security and the federal tax code.

"The president is hopeful about the opportunities we have to achieve big things and bring peace to the world," White House press secretary Scott McClellan said.

"The president will talk about how the advance of freedom will make the world a better place. He wants to promote an ownership society at home, expanding home ownership and changes in Social Security" to include private investment accounts.

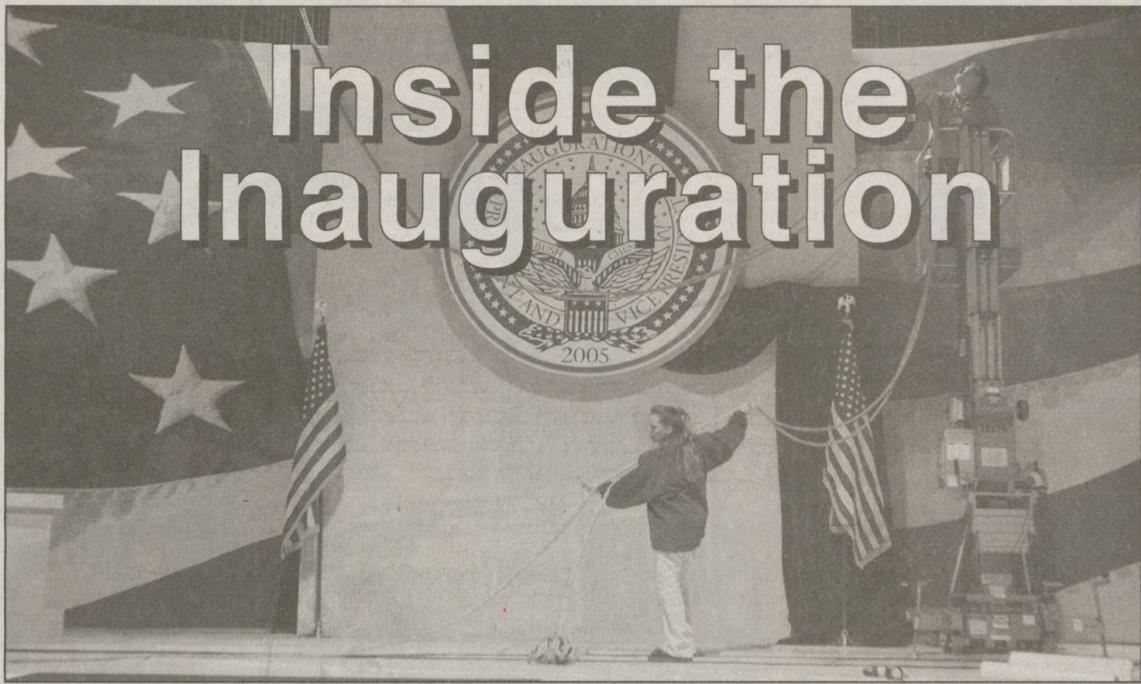
But a survey released Jan. 13 suggests such an ambitious agenda will be a hard sell.

Bush will begin his second term with the lowest approval rating — 50 percent — of any president since 1957. Bill Clinton and Richard Nixon tied at 59 percent.

And his priorities for the new term appear out of step with Americans' agenda, the survey by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press found.

Seventy-one percent of those polled said the health care system requires major changes or needs to be overhauled while only 49 percent said the same about Social Security.

Nearly half of the survey respondents — 47 percent — said Social Security works well and needs only minor changes. Only



Workers dress the stage in the Washington D.C. Convention Center for one of six Inaugural Balls on Jan. 20.

Chuck Kennedy/KRTCAMPUS

27 percent felt the same way about the nation's health care system.

Politics, policy and the recognition of an America living in a post-Sept. 11, 2001 world will permeate inaugural festivities. Several events at the \$40 million-plus celebration, titled "Celebrating Freedom, Honoring Service," have a military theme, a reminder of U.S. military actions in Afghanistan and Iraq and Bush's role as commander in chief.

The events include a reception "Saluting Those Who Serve" and the Commander-in-Chief Ball, which is free for invited members of the military. The Pentagon is selecting the invitees with emphasis on those who served in Afghanistan and Iraq.

The events, coordinated by a private inaugural committee, are being funded by corporate and individual donors who've given as much as \$250,000 apiece.

The celebration's price tag has raised questions from some Democratic lawmakers about the appropriateness of having such lavish parties when U.S. troops are dying overseas.

More than 6,000 police officers, 2,500 military personnel and thousands of Secret Service and law enforcement officers from 60 agencies will be using old-fashioned shoe leather and high-tech equipment to protect the inaugural ceremonies from terrorists and demonstrators.

Bush is expected to begin his day at St. John's Episcopal Church with a worship service.

At noon, he'll place his hand on the Bible and recite the 35-word oath of office on the West Front of the Capitol.

Following his address, he and first lady Laura Bush will ride in a motorcade along a 1.7-mile stretch of Pennsylvania Avenue from the Capitol to the White House. Please see INAUGURAL on A8.

## THE 55TH Presidential INAUGURATION Inauguration event schedule

Jan. 18	Jan. 19	Jan. 20	Jan. 21
"Saluting those who serve" gala paying special tribute to U.S. troops, thanking them for their service.	"Celebration of Freedom" to pay homage to the ideals that make America so unique.	Morning service at St. John's Church.	National Prayer Service
Youth concert to highlight community and public service.	Candlelight Dinners for major donors.	Swearing in Ceremony	
		Inaugural Parade down Pennsylvania Avenue.	
		Inaugural balls	

## Global Glance

### Airbus unveiled to public

The world's biggest-ever passenger plane, the Airbus A380, has been introduced to the world near the southern French city of Toulouse, in the presence of four European leaders and 5,000 invited guests. The massive plane can seat up to 840 passengers on its two full decks, and its size easily eclipses the Boeing 747 that has ruled the commercial skies for decades. France, Britain, Germany and Spain all invested heavily in the 10-year, 10-billion-plus (U.S. \$13-billion-plus) program to make the plane.

### Teen goalie killed after loss

An 18-year-old goalkeeper for Benin's national youth soccer team was killed by angry fans after a loss to Nigeria in a weekend match, officials said Tuesday. Samiou Yessoufou died Monday from injuries suffered when he was attacked a day earlier by unknown people near his hotel in Benin's largest city, Cotonou, said Issa Hayatou, chief of the African Football Confederation. Reports said Yessoufou was stabbed by angry fans after Nigeria defeated Benin 3-0 during a match of the African Youth Football Championship on Saturday.

### Iran not threatened by U.S.

Iran has the military might to deter attacks against it, its defense minister said in remarks published on Tuesday, one day after U.S. President George W. Bush said he would not rule out military action against it. Bush said on Monday that Washington would not rule out military action against Iran if it was not more forthcoming about its suspected nuclear weapons program. Iran continues to deny that its nuclear facilities are used to make nuclear weapons.

# Winter Blast heats up Motown and sets stage for Super Bowl

## First ever winter event serves as a preview to Detroiters and visitors for what can be expected during the 2006 Super Bowl

By ELIZABETH GORECKI  
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

Snow and soul will come together this week as Detroit's Campus Martius is transformed into a winter oasis during a three-day dress rehearsal for its upcoming 2006 Super Bowl party.

Jan. 21-23, the Motown Winter Blast will draw residents and visitors downtown to experience ice skating, snow sculptures, a 200-foot snow slide, a sampling of the city's best restaurants and an after party at area nightclubs.

"Motown Winter Blast is the right idea to build the kind of activity and attention needed to host a successful Super Bowl experience," Detroit Super Bowl XL Host Committee Chairman Roger Penske said. "We are sending a message that Detroit is absolutely the right choice for the Super Bowl because of the innovation and welcome we alone can provide."

Motown Winter Blast, wrapping around Campus Martius and through downtown Detroit, is free and open to the public 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday.

"This is a one-of-a-kind winter celebration," said Jonathan Witz, president of Jonathan Witz and Associates, the firm producing the event. "From a family-oriented festival at Campus Martius Park to the coolest in upbeat and cultural and musical events, Detroit is going to be the hottest place to be."

Residents agree that Detroit will be "the place to be" this weekend and they are already making plans to head downtown.

"It looks like it's going to be a big event and with the Auto Show

going on too, me and my girlfriend are planning to make a day of it," said OU senior Kevin Giraldi.

The Motown Winter Blast organizers hope that the visitors to the 2005 North American International Auto Show (NAIAS) will also take part in the festivities and are working to coordinate a shuttle service between the NAIAS and the Winter Blast.

There will also be more than 20,000 parking spaces available to the public during the festival, and it will also be accessible by the People Mover and shuttle service.

The highlight of the celebration will be 55 musical acts, mostly local artists, performing free on three stages around Campus Martius Park featuring the heart and soul of Detroit culture — the music.

In addition, three concerts, for which tickets are required, will celebrate R&B, gospel and Motown legend Stevie Wonder.

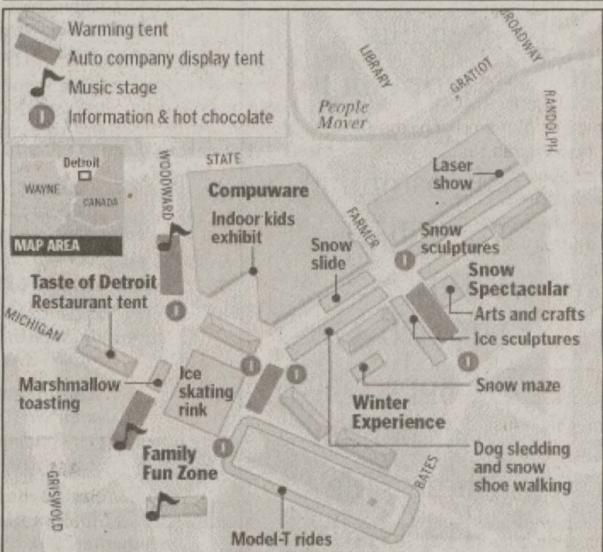
Saturday, Morris Day and the Time rock out R&B from the Music Hall.

Sunday, Detroit LaShell Griffin, winner of Oprah Winfrey's Pop Star Challenge, will put on a gospel show at the same venue.

Also Saturday, the Charles H. Wright Museum of African-American History will host a tribute to Stevie Wonder. Tickets for this event are \$30 at the door and seating is limited.

"Motown Winter Blast gives everyone a sneak peek at Detroit's historic growth and the excitement residents, fans and visitors will experience," said Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick.

"This will be a first-class celebration of what makes Detroit great."



### Heading to the Winter Blast?

When: Jan. 21-22, 11 a.m.-11 p.m.  
Jan. 23, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.

Admission: Free except for ticketed concerts.  
Skate rental: \$3

Transportation: Shuttles will transport people to main attractions and between Campus Martius and the NAIAS at Cobo Center.

For more information, go to [www.motownwinterblast.com](http://www.motownwinterblast.com) or call (313) 963-8418.

Photos courtesy of Motown Winter Blast

Top: Onlookers get ready to hit the ice at the new skating rink at Campus Martius Park. Above: A map of the downtown area shows the weekend's attractions.

## Global goof

A 63-year-old man who hasn't slept for more than two decades has been told there is nothing wrong with him by doctors.

Ukrainian Fyodor Nesterchuk from the town of Kamen-Kashirsky said the last time he managed to doze off was more than 20 years ago.

"I used to read boring scientific periodicals in the hope they would send me to sleep," he said.

All attempts by doctors to put him to sleep have failed and they now say there's nothing wrong with Nesterchuk.

Local doctor Fyodor Koshel, who has examined Nesterchuk extensively and has been unable to make him fall asleep, said he has no idea of the cause of the insomnia and added medically, there is nothing wrong with him.

—Compiled by Elizabeth Gorecki,  
Local News Editor

Information taken from various news sources.

EDITORIAL

## Give us a reason

On Monday, the OU community, along with the rest of the nation, remembered the life of Martin Luther King Jr.

Here on campus, classes were canceled, but many students still attended celebratory events, including a speech by J.C. Watts and a panel discussion "When Dreams Become Nightmares," hosted by the Center for Multicultural Initiatives.

As a commuter school, it is always a struggle to rally student participation, but it is even more difficult when classes are suspended because students don't have a 'reason' to be here.

Unfortunately, although student participation was encouraged and students attended, they weren't properly tended to because food services in the OC food court were open for only part of the day.

Students who attended Monday's events or worked at campus jobs were left with few meal options.

If the student body is encouraged to attend events on campus, especially on holidays or weekends, the university should provide us with the necessary amenities.

For this university to gather the student involvement and spirit it desires, we must be made a priority. That includes having the food court open during campus events, even when classes are suspended.

Students need to do their part, as well, but the university has to make coming to school on an "off day" worth it.

LETTERS

### Gender and Sexuality Center outcry continues

Dear Editor:

Society is what we the people make of it. The same is true of Oakland University. We the students determine the character and composition of this fine institution.

To help make Oakland into a more perfect place of higher learning, there must be a commitment to female students, who make up a strong majority of enrolled students.

This commitment should be in the form of programs and resources to serve women on campus.

One ideal way of accomplishing this would be a Gender and Sexuality Center. Not only would women's issues be addressed, but so would issues of gender that impact both men and women. On top of that, this university could properly address sexuality concerns for both gay and straight students.

"Sexual orientation bias represents the third highest category of reported hate crimes," according to the Students for the Development of a Gender and Sexuality Center postcard campaign.

And what's worse is that there are countless hate crimes that will never be reported, out of fear and ignorance. This is a reality we must work to improve.

College is the time to confront these societal problems in an intelligent and effective manner.

In regard to the school's aims, its Web site states "Oakland University reaffirms its unwavering commitment to equality of opportunity for all persons."

"In a society that relies on an informed, educated citizenry, no one should be denied the opportunity to attain his or her fullest potential."

To accomplish that, we should develop a Gender and Sexuality Center. With many issues, from violence against women to homophobia amongst students to sexist statements constantly thrown around and much more, we are not able to attain our full potentials as students preparing for our future careers and lives.

Please join me in actively supporting a Gender and Sexuality Center at Oakland University. Not only would we be making the Oakland experience stronger, we might end up saving people's lives.

**Krupa Ujla**  
Sophomore  
Marketing

Dear Editor:

I support a Gender and Sexuality Center 1,000 percent, or however high a number I possibly can. I'm a Student Congress legislator and I'm proud to be one of the many co-sponsors of the Gender and Sexuality Center Resolution.

Every student has a gender, and every student has a sexuality. Male or female, gay or straight, Oakland students are going to benefit from such a center.

This can't accurately be called a "special interest" cause. There are many issues that would finally be addressed on our campus.

**Adam Panchenko**  
OUSC legislator  
Sophomore  
Communication

Dear Editor,

I am writing to thank Michael McGuinness and the Oakland Post for the update on our Student Congress.

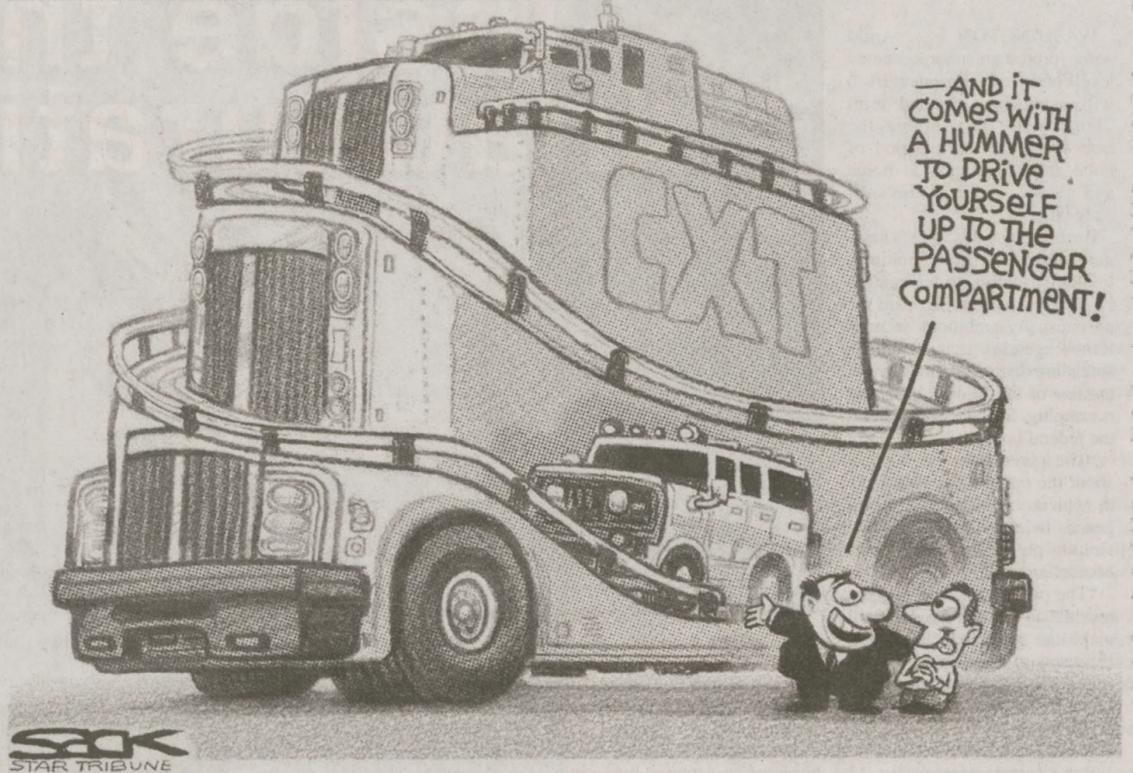
As a student, I find it imperative to be kept abreast of issues involving our Student Congress, as their actions directly affect all students.

To that point, I would like to thank our Student Congress for the excellent job it has done in serving the student body. Through the excellent leadership of Jonathan Parks and Michael McGuinness, the OUSC has positively impacted the lives of OU students.

Also, I would like to thank the students who wrote letters to the editor in the January 12, 2005 edition of The Oakland Post

Please see LETTERS on A7

## WORLD'S LARGEST S.U.V. NOW ON SALE...



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STAR TRIBUNE

GUEST COLUMN

## 'Non-traditional' student finds courage



**DENISE SEDMAN**

OU Alumna

When someone would ask me when I graduated from college and I said 1995, they had a puzzled expression on their face.

I didn't look like the twenty years I should be if I had taken the traditional route from high school to college.

Yes, I was one of those "non-traditional" students at Oakland University, who are sometimes referred to as the "curve breakers."

We're the ones who take their studying seriously and get "A's" in most subjects.

But, what's it like to be a non-traditional student at Oakland University?

I have to say, overall, my experience was a good one.

I made several new friends and really polished my critical thinking skills.

However, it wasn't always smooth sailing in the classroom.

In one of my communications classes with Dr. Lau, for example, I was the oldest student in the classroom. Lau was trying to teach us that we shouldn't "make more for ourselves by making less of others."

This valuable life lesson was not easily learned by some of the younger students in the classroom, who regularly jabbed at my ideas.

Many of the values and opinions of the students often reflected what I thought their parents might think and not that of a 20-year-old student.

As the representative parent, I often challenged my classmates to develop their own thoughts and not simply parrot someone else's beliefs.

College is a time to find out what you're all about; it's a time to experiment with ideas.

That's exactly what happened to me. I discovered the feminist inside of me had more of a roar than a whimper.

The confidence I gained in college and the more I learned about the world gave me the idea that I could function independently and support my son.

I was trapped in a marriage of convenience where I desperately wanted to get out.

I thought a college degree was the first step

toward financial independence. And, I discovered that I was right.

Although I had worked in the advertising business for 15 years before getting my degree, I was shut out of jobs at larger corporations.

Having a degree opened up a whole new set of possibilities and gave me the opportunity to earn a decent salary.

Without my degree, I found myself stuck in a rut and I couldn't get out of the middle management. Within five years of graduating from Oakland University, I was an executive at one of the world's largest corporations.

Having my degree certainly made a difference and it was paying off with a significant compensation package.

So, yes, it took me more than 20 years to graduate from college.

At first, I went to school part-time at night while I worked during the day.

Eventually, I got the courage to quit my job and go back to school full-time for my junior and senior years.

The experience was well worth it. From high school diploma in 1972 to bachelor's degree in 1995, I finally became the independent woman I dreamed I could be.

### Corrections:

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## OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS

# Is the War on Terror justified?

By BRIAN KOSS  
THE OAKLAND POST

When considering the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, it is most important to understand the symbolism of the institutions targeted by the bombers.

The World Trade Center, the symbol of world capitalism; the Pentagon, the symbol of American military power; and the White House, the home of the most powerful man in the world.

After these attacks, Americans looked for answers. Intellectuals, scholars and theologians on both the left and right were quick to place the blame on America.

While critics on the left pointed to the globalization of economic interests, critics on the religious right pointed to the "immorality" in American society as the reasons for the attacks.

While both are correct when trying to explain the point of view of the Islamic fundamentalists, they are both wrong to think these reasons are justified.

While it is imperative to understand why these events happened, it is just as imperative to understand why our values and way of life are superior.

The United States is the most powerful nation in the world because it, more than any other



country, represents western values, capitalism and liberal democracy.

Our western values are a product of Enlightenment-era philosophy on which our Constitution, the most influential political document in world history, was written.

The Constitution protects the rights of individuals such as the right to free speech, religion and private property.

The principles in our Constitution influenced similar documents in other Western countries.

The Islamic fundamentalist groups in the Middle East do not share our values.

What Westerners value as liberty, Islamic-fascists see as evil.

They look at the free world and see what they view as the negative effects of individual liberty: drugs, prostitution, pornography, homosexuality and the like.

They see the encroaching westernization of capitalism and democracy in their part of

the world as a threat to their society.

Along with American support for Israel, they resort to violent retaliation against the "Great Satan."

All sides considered, one must then decide who is right and what proper steps should be taken.

I believe after Sept. 11, 2001, President George W. Bush made the principled and moral decision to launch an all-out "War on Terrorism."

Although a war on a tactic, not a country, might seem somewhat unrealistic, it is essential in order to preserve our civilization.

Those who oppose our liberal values (liberal in the classical sense, not in the socialistic sense of the word) are firmly committed to their beliefs, but how committed are we to ours?

Those in our own country who oppose our role in the world have the freedom to do so because we are indeed a free society.

That in and of itself is enough reason to believe our way of life is morally superior.

It is because I am deeply concerned for the future of our country and our world that I firmly believe western values; the belief in individualism, capitalism and liberal democracy is the only hope for peace and prosperity in our world.

By JOE CULIK  
THE OAKLAND POST

The United States is the biggest sponsor of terrorism in the world. Thus, the War on Terror needs to begin at home.

The U.S. has supported illegitimate and ruthless groups everywhere in the name of "security," a euphemism for American business interests.

America's state terrorists, our rulers, have no clearly defined ideology other than the profit motive.

In order to "protect" American business interests, our government has overthrown elected leaders and killed civilians who had no goal but to promote justice for the common person.

For example, the U.S. funded a coup against President Hugo Chavez of Venezuela in 2002.

Taxpayer money, funneled through the National Endowment for Democracy, went to business factions that were frightened by Chavez's programs, which used resources for health care and education, rather than capital accumulation.

Al-Qaeda and other so-called terrorist groups are only called terrorists because they don't have a navy or standing army.

This makes what they do illegal, but what our government does, legal.

They are fighting what they



believe to be a defensive war against Western hegemony in the Middle East and elsewhere, while the U.S. vision is to increase our material gains (at the expense of morality and society).

Although al-Qaeda's methods are atrocious, they are not implemented on as large a scale as our government's methods.

The Vietnam War killed 3 million Vietnamese — an act of violence that makes the attack on Sept. 11, 2001 look like a minor incident.

And our economic policies are killing people around the world right now.

In fact, one of the best-funded terrorist training camps is the Western Hemispheric Institute for Security Cooperation (formerly the School of the Americas), run by the U.S. military at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Its graduates have been convicted of genocide, torture, kidnapping and human rights abuses against people who stood up against neo-liberal globalization.

Our government helped cre-

ate instructional torture manuals for the students there.

Reagan's "dirty wars" in Central America used soldiers trained there to fight developing people's movements.

Even now, \$1.3 billion in U.S. foreign aid goes to Colombia each year, helping the brutal paramilitaries to terrorize civilians who are only asking for fair treatment and economic security.

When the U.S. government deposed Jean-Bertrand Aristide at gunpoint last year, the only crime the democratically-elected president of Haiti had committed was that he wasn't sufficiently corporate-friendly.

Radical Islamists who think their religion is superior have no right to impose their will on others, and neither do Americans who believe in Western-style liberalism.

If the U.S. was serious about ending terrorism, it would stop supporting Israel, cancel the World Trade Organization, bring our troops home from the Middle East and support democratically-elected leaders and their constituents (even if they are more socialistic than our country).

Until this happens, the War on Terror should focus on the worst terrorists — our government.

Otherwise we will run the risk, as Osama Bin Laden said, of possessing nothing that will satisfy our conscience and justify our existence.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## LETTERS

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regarding the lack of a Gender and Sexuality Center on campus. This is a glaring shortcoming of OU, and the injustice done to its students must be addressed.

I look forward to the establishment of a Gender and Sexuality Center on campus and continued strong leadership of our OUSC.

Chris Whitesell  
Junior  
Computer Science

## Dear Editor,

I too want a Gender and Sexuality Center at my university.

The many letters to the editor on this subject in the recent paper were very interesting.

Thank you to everyone who wrote in about their support and reasoning.

If I were assaulted on campus, I would like someplace that I could turn to or someone that could lend me their support.

Even if it didn't happen to me on campus, I'm still a student that would be in need. Currently, I don't feel that's the case.

I'm sure there are many other students who feel the same as I do, even if they're unwilling or unable to speak up about the topic. Thank you for hearing my views.

Elizabeth English  
Freshman  
Engineering Chemistry

## Dear Editor:

Late in the fall semester of 2004, a man attempted to steal my purse while I was walking to the Rec Center on campus.

The man ran up behind me and grabbed hold of my purse. I was startled and reflexively tugged back, at which point he turned around and shoved me to the ground. Although he was unable to actually get my purse from me, when he shoved me he did sprain my wrist and definitely startled me mentally and emotionally.

Directly after this incident, I went to the police station on campus and told the officer that was there what had happened, although admittedly I did not have much information to provide because everything had happened so fast and I had been so startled. Later that day I told my father who is an attorney about the incident and he later mentioned it to a police officer friend of his

who was interested because of a case that was potentially related to mine. The officer contacted the Oakland University Police Department in order to retrieve the police report, only to find one had not been filed.

I am in no way trying to point fingers or put blame on anyone, but when I found out there was no report I was appalled. I no longer feel safe walking on campus, at any time of the day, especially since it was noon time when the man attacked me and there were people around who did not help, although they very well may not have been alert to the situation.

Recently I have learned of a student push to get a Gender and Sexuality Center on campus. I have heard many arguments, both for and against the center, and I would like to express my extreme support for the establishment of such a facility. Many of the arguments against the center I have heard are that we have no need for such a center and our campus is completely safe. I understand that statistics may show that there are very few incidents of violence and harassment reported on campus, but my incident is not included in those statistics. I cannot help but wonder how many other people have had similar problems.

I, in no way intend to dwell on the past, only to hope nothing like this happens in the future. As a young woman I can't help but think that if he felt comfortable assaulting me in a public place in broad daylight, had the time or place been different, things could have been much worse.

Would then a report still not have been filed?

I feel I was targeted because I am a woman and I can personally say that, as a woman, I no longer feel entirely safe on this campus. It is vital to the emotional and physical safety of the women on campus that we have a place to go to get support when incidents such as mine occur. I would like to personally thank and commend the wonderful people who are fighting for this center. Thank you for sticking up for my right as an OU student to feel safe and protected.

Madalyn Miller  
Freshman  
Biology

### Student believes there are other issues needing attention

Dear Editor,

I was very disappointed in what I

read last week about a call for a Gender and Sexuality Center.

I was under the impression that I was attending college at an institution of higher learning. Most "Top Universities" are recognized for their rigorous academic programs, research opportunities and qualifications of professors, not for providing personal services to select groups of students.

Plenty of offices, hospitals, doctors, etc., deal with these different issues, and are accessible without having them right on campus.

OU has a health facility on campus — Graham Health Center — which offers a variety of services.

Even personal counseling is offered, so students can receive help in dealing with certain personal problems, whether it's depression, relationship difficulties or sexuality.

I hear many students complaining about paying for printing on campus.

There is also rarely enough parking available.

I believe these problems, that affect the majority of OU students that attend college as a place of higher learning, should be addressed as soon as there are extra funds available.

I don't like the idea that extra funds could finance a Gender and Sexuality Center, rather than improve the class offerings or quality of education that ALL students receive.

Donald Stuckey wrote about some students that were forced to leave OU because they could no longer afford it.

For most people, college is an opportunity to receive a good education in order to make a living.

It seems selfish to be advocating a Gender and Sexuality Center for a minority of students, when other students are not even allowed to pursue a degree because of finances.

There are many other issues students face. They would all appreciate a center on campus.

For example, having a place of worship for students of various religions on campus could be a way of dealing with their issues. However, since we are now mature and independent college students, we have the ability to find other accessible means to fulfill our needs.

Since it is our problem, WE ourselves should find a way of solving it to best fit our own need.

Monica Majcher  
Freshman  
Mechanical Engineering

### Lecture turnout was disappointing

Dear Editor,

I know I'm not going to make a lot of friends by what follows, but it needs to be said.

I was surprised at the lack of black students at the J.C. Watts event.

I find it quite self-defeating that on Martin Luther King's holiday, when people are supposed to embrace differences, a huge amount of African-Americans were not encouraged to go out and support this successful African-American congressman.

And the fact that this community cries out for equality but doesn't even support its own members is laughable.

Why is there standing room only when a successful rap group, Slum Village, comes to Oakland on a Tuesday night, but when classes are CANCELLED to commemorate a great man's legacy, a lecture given by a very distinguished African-American, the auditorium has empty seats?

This is not only pitiful, but it gives weight to things people have said about the African-Americans.

If we as a community want to advance, things have to change, including priorities. Excuse me for sounding like Bill Cosby, but he has a point.

The African-American community will remain in its state unless there are not only some serious priority adjustments and not only that, the African-American community also needs to stop isolating members of its community that don't fit the status quo.

Unless there is unity within the community, there won't be unity from outside the community.

Charity R. Jones  
Senior  
Political Science

### Student government must change, as well

Dear Editor,

As we all know our campus is growing at a spectacular rate. We have many new ideas, new students, staff and faculty members.

But as our campus changes for the better our student government must be willing to change, as well. Last semester there was a new idea placed on the table, the idea of having a two-house legislature; one house in which all student organizations would be

able to have a representative and the other house would be elected representatives.

This sounds like a major change, but it would add onto what is already a good student government. The reason this change is needed is because I believe it would be fair for our student organizations to have a direct say in how our student government operates.

Currently, OUSC has a unicameral legislature. One of the problems with this system is that there is not enough collaboration with the student body. In a two house legislature you would get the point of view of all the student organizations, which would include many more students.

Many other institutions have found this system works very well because what you have is a system that includes all student organizations.

The accusation that the student government only listens to liberal students and not conservative ones would not exist. Many argue there would not be enough interest or involvement in this type of system.

I disagree. I believe this would encourage students to be involved because now they would have an opportunity to help form the policies of their student government.

I believe all students are entitled to representation but so are student organizations. It would be difficult to get such a system started.

But I believe it would be worth the effort. As we saw last semester, there were a lot of difficult issues that came up in the student government.

After all the drama, many students felt their voices were not heard or they were ignored. Having a two house legislature would remove these types of feelings.

All differences in opinion would have a chance to be worked out in this type of system.

Yes, there will be many difficulties in the way this system would work, but I know OUSC would be able to overcome these difficulties.

I believe having a two house legislature has more benefits than downfalls. This is something that OUSC should look into.

Donald Stuckey  
Sophomore  
Political Science

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**WATTS**  
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system and poverty as today's problems, and he encouraged citizens to challenge the systems of the government.

Watts said the way to get rid of the poverty problem is not by raising taxes, but rather by starting more businesses, especially in the poverty-stricken inner cities.

"We don't need more taxes, we need more taxpayers," Watts said. "I think that there is a role for taxes, I just think that we pay too much in taxes."

"We get you from the time you get up until the time you go to bed. You go jump in the shower, we tax your utilities. Put your clothes on, we tax your clothes. Eat your breakfast, we tax your food. Go jump in the car, we tax your car. Go to work, we tax your income. Come home in the evening, flop down in the lazy boy, we tax your furniture. Turn the TV on, we tax your cable. You fall on your knees at night and pray to a true, living God, you get off of your knees and kiss your

spouse, you think that's free, but it's not; there's a marriage tax."

Society has these problems today because of the lack of improving the government's "models" or plans to aid citizens, Watts said.

"If we have to sustain the greatness of America for the next 12 to 15 years, we can't continue using old, tired models of the past," Watts said. "If we continue using the old, tired models of the past, we will destroy whatever future we have."

Watts grew up in Eufaula, Okla., with five siblings. He attended the University of Oklahoma from 1976 to 1981, where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in journalism.

During his years in college, Watts was the star quarterback for the Sooners and paved the way for their Big Eight titles and Orange Bowl championships.

"Based on the performance in the Orange Bowl a couple weeks ago, it looks like they could use his services again," political science professor

David Dulio said in light of the recent Orange Bowl in which the Oklahoma Sooners lost against the University of Southern California.

While in Congress, Watts was elected by fellow Republicans as the chairman of the House Republican Conference, a position that advises the house speaker, as well as the co-chair of the 2000 Republican National Convention.

"I can speak with first hand knowledge of Congressman Watts' dedication, passion and unyielding commitment," Dulio, who worked as a congressional fellow in the House Republican Conference with Watts in 2002 said.

After retiring from Congress in 2001, he became the chairman of the GOP Political Action Committee to help train Republican candidates, co-chair for the Coalition for AIDS Relief in Africa and co-founded the Smithsonian Museum of African-American History with Congressman John Lewis.

**PANEL**  
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"People believe it is just a holiday, a three-day weekend, an extra day to sleep in. They are forgetting who he is and what he was about," Southward said.

When something is institutionalized and turned into a holiday, such as today, it loses its vitality. You feel you no longer have to fight the fight, Nixon said.

"Subtle distinctions are what is causing racism to continue," Pfeiffer said.

A white woman with children is referred to as a "soccer mom" or "mini-van mom," whereas a black woman with children is called a "welfare mom" and the question is asked how many different men fathered her children, Pfeiffer said.

"Blacks eat all kinds of food, whether Mexican, Italian, whatever. How many Italians, for example, do you see eating soul food?" asked Anderson to the audience. He received no reply.

Allen, speaking about black students, said "it is easier for us to get into an educational institution, but at the same time it is easier for us to for-

get about how we were able to get to this point."

Southward felt that King's sacrifices, including giving his life for something he was fighting for, was his greatest contribution.

"He knew that there were people out to kill him and still he fought for what he believed in," Southward said.

Sankofa asked the panel what steps blacks should be taking today to fulfill King's dream.

"A lot of blacks are not struggling for justice, but rather they are struggling for jealousy. They just want the trinkets that whites have," Anderson said.

Allen received a round of applause for her challenge to students to "step up and stop stepping out."

"Asians are not going to tell your story. Whites are not going to tell your story. You have to be the one to tell your story if you want other people to know it," Nixon said.

He added that curriculum is driven by student need.

"Unless you put the pressure on the administration, things are never going to change."

T. Danielle Butler, a senior accounting major, mentioned during the audience comment session that walking into the OC, a white girl she never met greeted her with a smile and wave. Butler reciprocated. She added that when she walked into the banquet rooms for the program, not one black person extended the same courtesy to her.

"We need to embrace each other," Butler challenged the audience.

The discussion was followed by a lunch provided by ABS, student performances, including singing and tap dancing and a closing speech by ABS Vice-President, Jamar Lockhart.

Turnout for the event was not as high as was hoped for or expected, noted panelists and audience members, including Eboni Donald, a junior human resources and development major, who attended with hopes of learning a little more about King.

Southward agreed the room should not be as empty as it was. She saw only twenty faculty members in attendance.

"Professors and faculty should be held accountable for supporting the events of this day," she said.

**AAC**  
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thanked them for showing their support and interest in AAC Month.

Delivering a speech on the history of the AAC at OU was Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Glenn McIntosh.

"It began as one day and has evolved into 30 then 60 days of celebrating and learning. Hopefully someday, people everywhere will embrace AAC every day of the year," McIntosh said.

Featured speaker, Director of University Diversity and Compliance Joi Cunningham's focus is to bring diversity to job openings on campus.

"The goal of diversity is to create a welcoming environment," Cunningham said.

She has created a recruiting group whose purpose is to hire diverse people.

There will also be two presidential diversity awards given to one faculty and one staff member this year for

\$500.

AAC Month student co-chair Latoya Hearn presented the "Poetic Voices - Past, Present and Future" competition.

First prize is \$150. Entries will be judged on creativity and content and are due to the Center for Multicultural Initiatives by Friday, Feb. 4, 2005.

The next event in the AAC is Jan. 20, an African-American Voices and Visions through Music Program in the Gold Rooms of the OC from 9 - 11 p.m.

**INAUGURAL**  
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House.

McClellan said Bush's speechwriters were putting the finishing touches on his address late last week. He couldn't say how long the speech would be.

Second inaugural speeches present an opportunity and a danger for two-term presidents, historians and political experts say.

If done right, the speech can set the tone for the new term and energize lawmakers and the public. If not, it could help usher in early lame-duck status.

"If the president simply tries to convert it into a condensed State of the Union Address, it will get lost in history," said Leon Panetta, former President Clinton's White House chief of staff. "You've got to be able to, in very few words, capture the

mood of the country and rally it around a common purpose."

White House officials are convinced they can accomplish that in words and deeds.

McClellan said Bush intends to hit the ground running in term two and has begun laying the groundwork on some of his domestic agenda with conferences and events on the economy, Social Security and the legal system.

Bush is also working toward reshaping his image overseas. He'll travel to Europe next month to mend fences with U.S. allies upset over his approach on Iraq.

"He's going to Europe earlier than any elected president in the past," said Simon Serfaty, a senior adviser to the Center for Strategic and International Studies' Europe program. "He's trying. I didn't think that was evident in 2003 or early 2004.

There's opportunity there to start anew."

And with the recent Palestinian presidential election over, Bush intends to become more actively engaged in finding a solution to the deadly Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

The president also hopes that the Jan. 30 election in war-torn Iraq will serve as a catalyst for change in the Middle East.

But Paul Light, a governance

expert at the Brookings Institution, said political forces, the 2006 congressional midterm elections and the likelihood of some key lawmakers to position themselves for 2008 presidential runs, will narrow Bush's ability to accomplish anything soon after he is sworn in.

"He's got to celebrate, then get back to business," Light said. "Because there's no second-term honeymoon."

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## Photos reveal womanhood

BY LAUREL DROZ  
THE OAKLAND POST

Going to an art gallery is, for many students, not at the top of their to-do list.

First of all, doing so would mean putting on pants, leaving the house, driving somewhere ... you get the idea, it would take effort.

Then you have to shell out some cash, stand around with those artsy types and look for the hidden meaning in a picture of a soup can.

So why, you may find yourself wondering, should OU students check out the new photo exhibit, "Shopping for Pleasure," at the Meadow Brook Art Gallery?

"To experience something unique," Dick Goody, director of the Meadow Brook Art Gallery, said.

And unique it is. Canadian artist, Julie Sando has a talent for spotlighting the unreal nature of much of real life. Her photos are somehow beautifully unnerving and honest about the nature of deception.

Sando dissects the role of women's domestic/working lives inside/outside of the home, according to the Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

Maybe in an era where so many people get the exact same things for

lunch as we do, that it's just called a "#4", we could all stand a little something different. But just in case that is not enough to pry you away from the Xbox, here are a few more things to consider:

It's free. That's right, ladies and gentlemen, step right up, get yourself some culture for less than the price of a pack of gum.

It's on campus. You've hauled yourself out here for less appealing reasons and you know it.

You can take a date and remark casually about the paradoxical nature of Sando's work. Paradoxical nature, seriously, you should be taking notes on this. Don't worry that you won't "get it." Just to help you out though, the general theme of the exhibit is facades.

As Goody would point out, there's much more to it than that, to explain it so briefly doesn't do it justice, but to see that you have to go.

Art galleries aren't as scary as you



Photos courtesy of Meadow Brook Art Gallery  
The Working Girl (above) and the image of a woman shopping (right) are photographs that are a part of Julie Sando's new exhibit, "Shopping for Pleasure."

think. "I always want to dispel the idea that art galleries are stuffy. The space we have is inviting, accessible and a great place to meet your friends," Goody said.

Ok, yes, you do have to put on pants to attend, but that's just part of being an adult.

"Shopping for Pleasure" will be at the Meadow Brook Art Gallery Jan. 15 - Feb. 27 from noon-5pm, Tue-Sun. The opening reception will be held from 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15. The artist will hold a lecture Sunday, Jan. 30 at 2 p.m.

## Swingin' new club offers variety

Paul Carryer, founder and president of OU's Swing and Salsa Club, dances with Jenni Mentzer. The club began last semester and offers free lessons in dances such as merengue, swing, salsa and many others to OU students in the Rec Center on Wednesdays.



Elizabeth Gorecki/  
The Oakland Post

BY SHEILA KOSZTOWNY  
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

Feet shuffle to a new dance and it's called salsa.

The Swing and Salsa Club of OU is offering lessons to students to learn the basic steps and variations of swing and salsa. Among the dances, students can learn eight types of swing, salsa, cha-cha, merengue, bachata, Viennese Waltz, reggaeton, and they will explore other types of dances.

"Salsa is more popular, a faster growing dance," said Paul Carryer, a senior at OU majoring in Spanish and the club's president. Carryer prefers swing, but said a person can find a salsa club every day of the week due to its popularity.

"Salsa, in my opinion, is more about the women. It's really a

dance that is kind of designed to let the woman show off. Let the woman have fun and guys have fun too while they are doing it," Carryer said. "I think it's a sexier dance. I think it's a hotter dance. It's a more intimate dance."

Carryer started the club last semester with four years of dancing under his belt. During his freshman year at OU, he attended the swing lessons on campus, but transferred to Oakland Community College after one year. Carryer returned to OU to find the swing club no longer running and decided to start the official club last fall as the instructor.

Carryer frequents dance clubs several times a week that include ballroom dancing, salsa and swing dancing, along with attending classes regularly throughout the week. He also participates in swing performances at the Troy Dance Studio every three months.

"My biggest compliment that I can get from someone that I am dancing with is that I was a

smooth lead," said Carryer, who is constantly learning new moves and incorporating his own style at the dance clubs.

Salsa is easier to pick up than swing, Carryer said, and he is able to teach more moves in a class period. In the club's debut last semester, 45 students showed up and most of them were girls. Carryer expressed a greater desire for men to attend the classes and added that all students are welcome.

"I think they can expect a fun class, that is not too extremely serious, but still something that they can come to," Carryer said of students. "Everybody is going to be there because they are having a good time."

The lessons break down dance steps in a detailed manner and allow students to put their own style into the moves. Even the non-dancer can pick up the moves.

"Often it is a bit overwhelming for students to learn the dances

because they have to learn the moves, the lead-follow relationship, footwork, beats and styling," Carryer said, but assured that after about four classes the student can get a feel for the dances.

"I like dancing," said Laura Bone, a freshman studying secondary education at OU. "It's just a lot of fun." Bone is the secretary for the club after joining last semester.

This semester, the club plans to host several dances and will sponsor visits from Billy Howell, a sought-after dance instructor of international recognition.

The Swing and Salsa Club meets from 7-9:30 p.m. every Monday, with the exception of the cancelled class on Jan. 24. The class is divided between salsa and swing.

Starting Feb. 2, students can learn dances in the Rec Center from 7-9:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at no charge. Non-OU students pay an entry fee of \$6 for the Wednesday night class.

## Food 'scientist' gives flair to cooking shows

BY HEATHER MCPHERSON  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Alton Brown is the science teacher you dreamed about in high school: funny, yet focused; intense, yet far from irrational; and a bit wacky, yet focused on procedural protocol.

As host of the Food Network's popular "Good Eats" (8 a.m. ET Saturday and Sunday; 7 p.m. Monday-Friday; 10 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday), Brown is one part culinary instructor and one part mad scientist. Add a touch of Mel Brooks and that formula is gold.

His audience ranges from children, to teens, to young adults and to seasoned cooks.

Brown, who is touring to promote his new book, "I'm Just Here For More Food" (Stewart, Tabori & Chang, \$32.50) is not the typical Food Network host.

It's the science that sets him apart from the other Food Network stars. He doesn't just demonstrate recipes, he intricately and wryly explains why the bread crescendos or cracks, why the meringue wimps or weeps, and why the sauce curdles or coalesces.

A former cinematographer and video director, Brown spent much of his time between shoots watching television cook-

ing shows, which he found to be as pallid as an uncooked roux.

The formulas for the shows he saw were accurate, but the programs lacked flair and flavor in production. Like a roux, things needed to be heated to get things going.

Convinced that he could do better, Brown trained at the New England Culinary Institute in Montpelier, Vt. Then, using his newly refined culinary skills, he developed "Good Eats." His new book is a "Good Eats" text that focuses on baking, well, actually mixing if you want to truly grasp the science.

"Everything that happens in baking is science, some of it is physics," says Brown. "The art of baking comes after you have made peace with the science."

This approach is part of the Alton Brown charm. Home cooks can have stacks of recipes, but without the respect for the process, it's a lot of words on paper and very little dinner.

"There's a lot of bad baking because elements of the recipe are difficult to describe. The (baking) recipes are not so much about ingredients as they are procedures," he explains. "Actions matter and that's a hard thing to put into words."

Brown recently signed a three-year contract with the Food Network to continue making "Good Eats" and handling



Photo courtesy of KRRCampus  
The Food Network's Alton Brown.

play-by-play commentary on the new "Iron Chef America," which airs at 9 p.m. ET Sundays. He also will start work on a two-hour special about road food.

"I'm going to travel Road 66 on a motorcycle, my other great passion, from coast to coast," says Brown.

"Road food used to define American cuisine. It showcased the country's diversity. We're losing more and more of these places, and I'm going out in search of what's there."

But he's not veering off his well-fed,

mad-scientist course. Even the new Iron Chef America will have the Alton Brown touch.

The original Japanese cult classic delighted foodies with bad overdubs that rivaled "Godzilla & Mothra: The Battle for Earth" and ingredients such as sea urchin that were churned into everything from ice creams to savory custards.

"My show ('Good Eats') is not about strange, obscure ingredients. It's more like: 'Hey, we're making meatloaf.' On 'Iron Chef,' I instantly need to be an expert on some bizarre wrinkly food."

"I'm blown away by the ('Iron Chef') competition. These are master craftsmen competing against each other, the clock, the judges and themselves. There's no one coming in between takes to reset or restock. It's real food in real time."

Viewers can expect a not-subtle seasoning of education and the Alton Brown-style.

### PESTO DINNER BISCUITS

Yield: 18 (2-inch) biscuits.  
1 cup buttermilk, chilled  
1 cup pesto  
2 cups flour  
4 teaspoons baking powder  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon salt

3 tablespoons unsalted butter  
1 tablespoon lard, chilled

1. Place rack in center of oven. Heat oven to 450 F. Measure all ingredients. Chill or freeze fats.

2. Combine buttermilk, pesto; beat well. With 3-4 pulses, take flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt for spin in food processor. Place mixture in large bowl. Rub butter and lard into flour mixture until about half the fat disappears and rest is left in pea-sized pieces. Place in freezer to keep fat solid.

3. Make well in center of flour mixture. Pour pesto mixture into well. Quickly mix using spatula. Stir until dough pulls away from sides of bowl. Dump mixture in center of lightly floured wax paper. Use paper to shield your hands as you fold dough into 1-inch to 1-inch thick rectangle. Fold in sides like tri-fold wallet. Repeat three times, as gently as possible.

4. Using a 2-inch pastry cutter, cut biscuits and place on ungreased baking sheet, just touching. Reshape leftover dough, kneading as little as possible. Continue cutting biscuits. Bake 15 minutes. Remove biscuits from oven and serve.

Recipe note: Adapted from "I'm Just Here for More Food." (c) 2005, The Orlando Sentinel (Fla.).



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# Hawke is on the rise

BY STEVEN REA  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

"There's something kind of pleasing about working inside these genres," says Ethan Hawke, who stars as a shell-shocked police sarge in the gleefully generic "Assault on Precinct 13."

"It's like jazz musicians, taking a very familiar, very commercial tune—say, 'Jingle Bells'—and then you put a spin on it. You know exactly how it's going to work. You just have to riff around it."

"Jingle Bells" is a good example, since "Assault on Precinct 13"—which opens Wednesday and is a remake of John Carpenter's 1976 police station siege pic—is set at the end of the Christmas holiday week, on New Year's Eve.

Hawke is the top gun in a virtually deserted Detroit precinct house, sharing the graveyard shift with an oversexed secretary (Drea De Matteo) and an over-the-hill beat cop (Brian Dennehy).

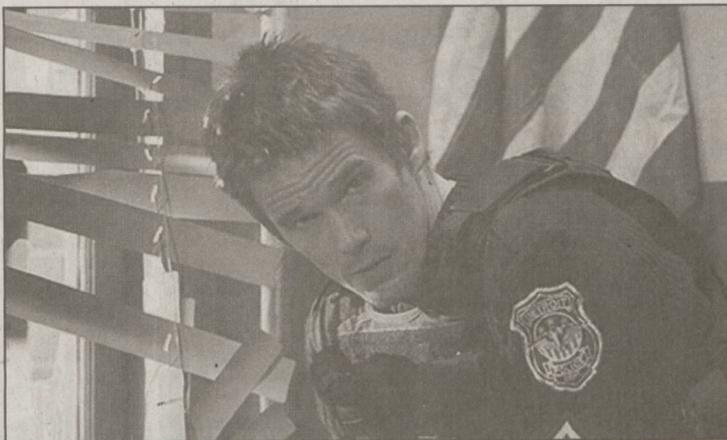
And then a bus full of bad guys—among them Laurence Fishburne, John Leguizamo and Ja Rule—is diverted to the station, and Maria Bello, who plays Hawke's character's shrink, shows up, too. And Gabriel Byrne chews up a lot of scenery as a tainted police detective. And then all heck breaks loose.

"I knew of John Carpenter's movie," says Hawke about the original "Assault," which had a cast led by the unforgettable Austin Stoker, Darwin Joston and Laurie Zimmer. (Who, who and who?) "I'd seen it when I was younger, and then I never even really watched it again."

So when director Jean-Francois Richet and producer-writer James DeMonaco came along, Hawke sat and talked, and then he read the script. "I was looking to do something fun, something that didn't take itself too seriously. I had a real good time working on 'Training Day,' and I was seeing if I could follow up that genre."

In some ways, Hawke's character, Jake Roenick, can be seen as the what-could-have-happened continuation of his "Training Day" role—the new kid riding with the rogue L.A. narc played by Denzel Washington. (Washington won an Oscar for his work in the 2001 release, and Hawke was nominated for one.) As "Assault on Precinct 13" begins, Hawke is once again undercover, consorting with dealers, worried about the lives of his team.

"In a way, it could have been a sequel," he notes. "If Jake was sitting in a precinct house outside of L.A. instead of Detroit ... it could easily be where this guy had ended up."



Ethan Hawke (left) stars in "Assault on Precinct 13," a thriller in which criminals and officers "unite and fight" for their lives.

Photo courtesy of Focus Features

"But all that is hindsight. Truth is, it was an entertaining script and I liked the part."

Hawke, 34, has a lot of things going on right now: He's in rehearsals for the 20th-anniversary revival of David Rabe's lacerating Hollywood theater piece, "Hurly Burly," which opens in New York Jan. 27 and also stars Bobby Cannavale, Parker Posey and Wallace Shawn.

On Thursday, he landed a Writers Guild best screenplay nomination—in cahoots with director Richard Linklater and Julie Delpy—for "Before Sunset," a film he and Delpy starred in that landed on many a critic's Top 10 of 2004 list.

Hawke reports that he's

begun to "daydream" and jot down notes for his next novel (he's published two). And he recently finished up work on "Lord of War," with Nicolas Cage, Jared Leto and Bridget Moynahan. Andrew Niccol, who cast Hawke opposite Uma Thurman in 1997's "Gattaca," wrote and directed the tale of gun-runners in Africa.

"In a simplistic way, it's a portrait of the devil," says Hawke of the film, slated for a midyear release.

"It answers the question: How do X million people die in Rwanda and in the Congo and Sierra Leone and these places? Well, somebody sells them AK-47s."

"Who is it that sells them? It's these guys that go to the poorest places in the world and sell arms to both sides of a dispute and then leave town."

"And they make millions and millions of dollars off of other people killing each other. It's kind of a fascinating expose."

Hawke, who plays a U.N. official in "Lord of War," is also looking to get a pet project, "Billy Dead," off the ground.

"It's based on the novel by Lisa Reardon. It's a very dark, weird little family drama ... I've been trying to get the movie made for years, but it doesn't seem to be one that is really capturing the financiers' attention," he said.

BY LINDA C. BLACK  
TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) Today is a 5: Take on a challenge, even if it means you'll have to go back to school. Believe in your own ability to learn what you'll need to know.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Today is an 8: Long-distance contacts will go through now, and could lead to hefty profits. Don't fall for nebulous promises, though. Get everything down in writing.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Today is a 6: Put in the extra effort, do what you promised you'd do. The more difficult it is, the stronger you'll become. It doesn't always work this way, but this time, it does.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) Today is an 8: You have experience and some worries the others do not share. Use them to guide the team effort, not to slow it down, and all prosper.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Today is a 6: The skills you've learned lead you naturally into a leadership position. You'll also get into a new circle of friends. That's part of your reward.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today is a 10: Loving is a very good investment. You'll get back what you give, and more. Make plans for a solid, secure and very comfortable life. Together, it won't be boring.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Today is a 5: It's OK to dip into your savings account to get an item that's going to last you for years. Quality pays for itself over time.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is an 8: The study phase is almost over. For the next several weeks you'll get to make some interesting decisions about your home. Consult a financier.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 5: Don't delay, the money machine should be up and running. Get the bugs worked out so you can turn your attention to other things.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today is an 8: Your private consultations lead to fascinating new projects. Working together binds a relationship in a marvelous manner. Build something that will last.

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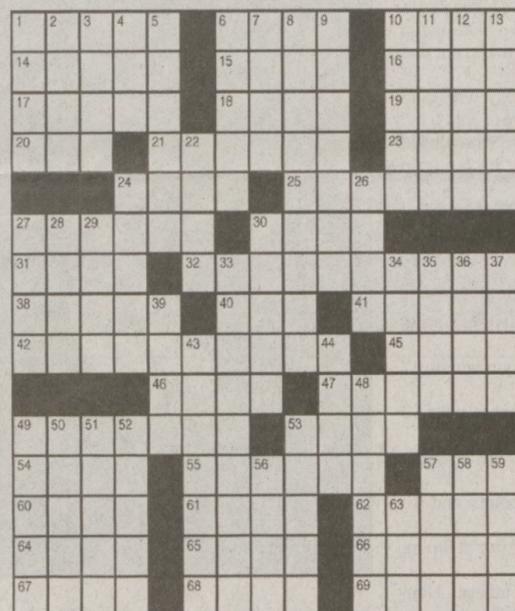
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- 6 Winners' takes
- 10 Ego
- 14 Continental cash
- 15 Scary monster
- 16 Not quite closed
- 17 Au revoir!
- 18 Patron saint of Norway
- 19 Actress Olin
- 20 Afternoon affair
- 21 Ebb
- 23 Read quickly
- 24 Jacob's first wife
- 25 Hit-or-miss
- 27 Removes fleeces
- 30 Patella's place
- 31 Drying oven
- 32 Exercise devices
- 38 Runs in neutral
- 40 Cured meat
- 41 Nose into
- 42 Child's toy weapon
- 45 Buffalo's lake
- 46 Concludes
- 47 Add on
- 49 Bowl over
- 53 Violent public disorder
- 54 Storage building
- 55 Acquiescence
- 57 Cushion
- 60 Pepsi or Coke
- 61 Iranian currency
- 62 Going solo
- 64 Pub drinks
- 65 Take the plunge
- 66 Savor
- 67 Talk wildly
- 68 State of irritation
- 69 Earth tone

### DOWN

- 1 Do an usher's job
- 2 Naked
- 3 Met highlight
- 4 Opponent
- 5 Loan shark
- 6 Family dog
- 7 Gawker
- 8 Corporate ID
- 9 Cut off
- 10 Chip dip
- 11 Bail out
- 12 Veranda
- 13 Former French currency unit
- 22 River of NYC
- 24 Highway divisions
- 26 Radiation units
- 27 Quick hop
- 28 Go underground
- 29 Cinders of comics
- 30 "Ode on a Grecian Urn" poet
- 33 Zimbabwean, once
- 34 Awkward
- 35 Traditional wisdom
- 36 Cut of meat
- 37 Drove too fast
- 39 Mets' park
- 43 Ahead
- 44 Kind of check?



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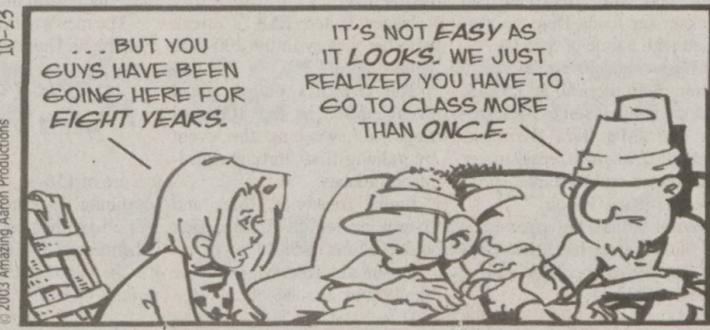
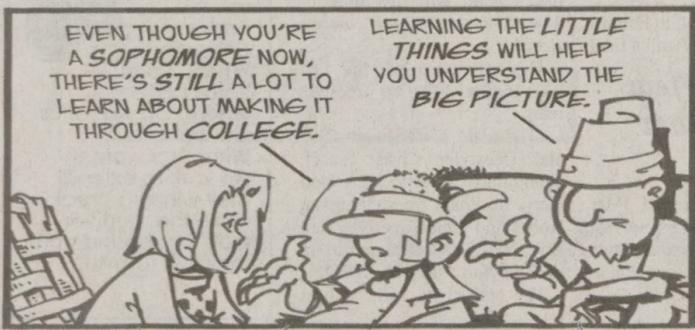
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## By Aaron Warner

## THE LOW DOWN

Wednesday, Jan. 19

Meadow Brook Art Gallery hosts the Art and Art History Travel Lecture: "France in the Age of Freedom Fries" at 4:45 p.m. in room 208 of Wilson Hall.

Alpha Kappa Psi, the coed professional business fraternity, will be hosting a human resource speaker from 5-6 p.m. in Gold Room A of the OC.

The Muslim Student Association will provide information about the Muslim religion during an open discussion. "What is Spirituality?: Exploring the Muslim Religion" is from 7-9 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the OC.

Thursday, Jan. 20

OU's Physics Department is hosting Anca Sala from JDS Uniphase.

Sala will discuss "Optical Waveguides: From Physics to Telecom, and Back" from noon-1 p.m. in room 372 in the Science and Engineering Building.

Student Writers of OU is hosting a writer's workshop from 7-9 p.m. in room 433 in Kresge Library. Writers should bring four copies of up to 10, double-spaced pages of fiction, poetry or nonfiction for critique.

The Center for Student Activities presents "African-American Voices and Visions Through Music" from 9-11 p.m. in the Gold Rooms of the OC. The program features OU student and guest musicians.

Friday, Jan. 21

The Center for Multicultural Initiatives presents the Thiosane Performing Arts Group from noon-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the OC. The group performs traditional dances of the Malinke people of West Africa.

Alpha Kappa Psi will meet at Gameworks at Great Lakes Crossing for an evening of games and fun. The event is from 7-9 p.m. and is open to all.

Saturday, Jan. 22

OU students will compete in the College Bowl beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the OC. Students will compete for the chance to represent the university in the Regional Championships in February.

The Ladies of Delta Sigma Theta will celebrate the sorority's 92nd anniversary with brunch from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC. Miss Michigan USA will be the keynote speaker. Tickets are required for entry.

Monday, Jan. 23

Today is the last day for a 70 percent tuition refund, the deadline for late registration, the deadline to drop classes for no grade and the deadline to declare an audit.

The OU Winter Blood Drive begins today. Students can donate blood from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. in the Gold Rooms of the OC. Walk-ins are welcome.

Alpha Kappa Psi members will be serving hot chocolate in the main hallway of the OC from noon-1 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 25

As part of African-American Celebration Month, Leon Golson from the Midwest AIDS Prevention Project will speak on the impact of HIV/AIDS on the African-American community. Golson will speak from noon-1 p.m. in Gold Room A of the OC.

Compiled by Libby Baker, Managing Editor

# Scott's double-double leads Grizzlies to win

BY AARON WALKER  
THE OAKLAND POST

The Chicago State University Cougars (3-11, 2-2) squared off against the OU Golden Grizzlies in a Mid-Con matchup in front of a crowd of 1,535 at the O'Rena.

Senior forward Cortney Scott scored 35 points and pulled down 14 rebounds to lead OU to its second conference victory of the season.

Sophomore guard Kris Krzyminski scored the game's first points on a three pointer assisted by freshmen guard Brandon Cassise.

CSU responded with two back-to-back shots by forward Mulic Marin, to take an early 4-3 lead. It was one of only two times in the game when the Cougars held a lead.

Around the 15-minute mark, OU senior forward Cortney Scott (6-foot-6) blocked CSU's 7-foot-1 center Deji Akindele's layup off the glass.

Shortly after a timeout was called, and when play resumed, Scott scored on a layup.

CSU guard Royce Parran missed a three pointer at the other end. Meanwhile, Krzyminski connected on another three pointer, assisted by Scott, to give OU an 11-4 lead.

With just under 12 minutes left in the first half, Krzyminski found senior forward Rawle Marshall for an alley oop.

Krzyminski went three of six on three pointers, and scored nine of his game-high 12 in the first half, OU held a 30-23 lead going into halftime.

CSU began the second half on a 14-8 run to pull within one, 38-37.

After a foul by junior guard Pierre Dukes and a jumper by John Cantrell, the Cougars pulled within one again at 42-41 near the 11-minute mark, but that was as close as CSU would get.

OU broke through the rest of the way with help from Scott's plethora of offensive moves.

With less than 11 minutes remaining, Scott eluded two defenders and connected on a put back after a Marshall miss.

Later, he sank a jumper while falling to the ground after a foul from a CSU double team.

"The greatest compliment a coach can give a player is to call him a warrior. Tonight Scott was a warrior," said OU head coach Greg Kampe.

Scott claimed his aggressiveness stemmed from the disappointment of losing games.

"I'm tired of people coming in our gym winning," Scott said.

Rawle Marshall tallied a double-double with 12 points and 12 rebounds.

Kris Krzyminski added 12 points and Pierre Dukes contributed 10 points for OU.

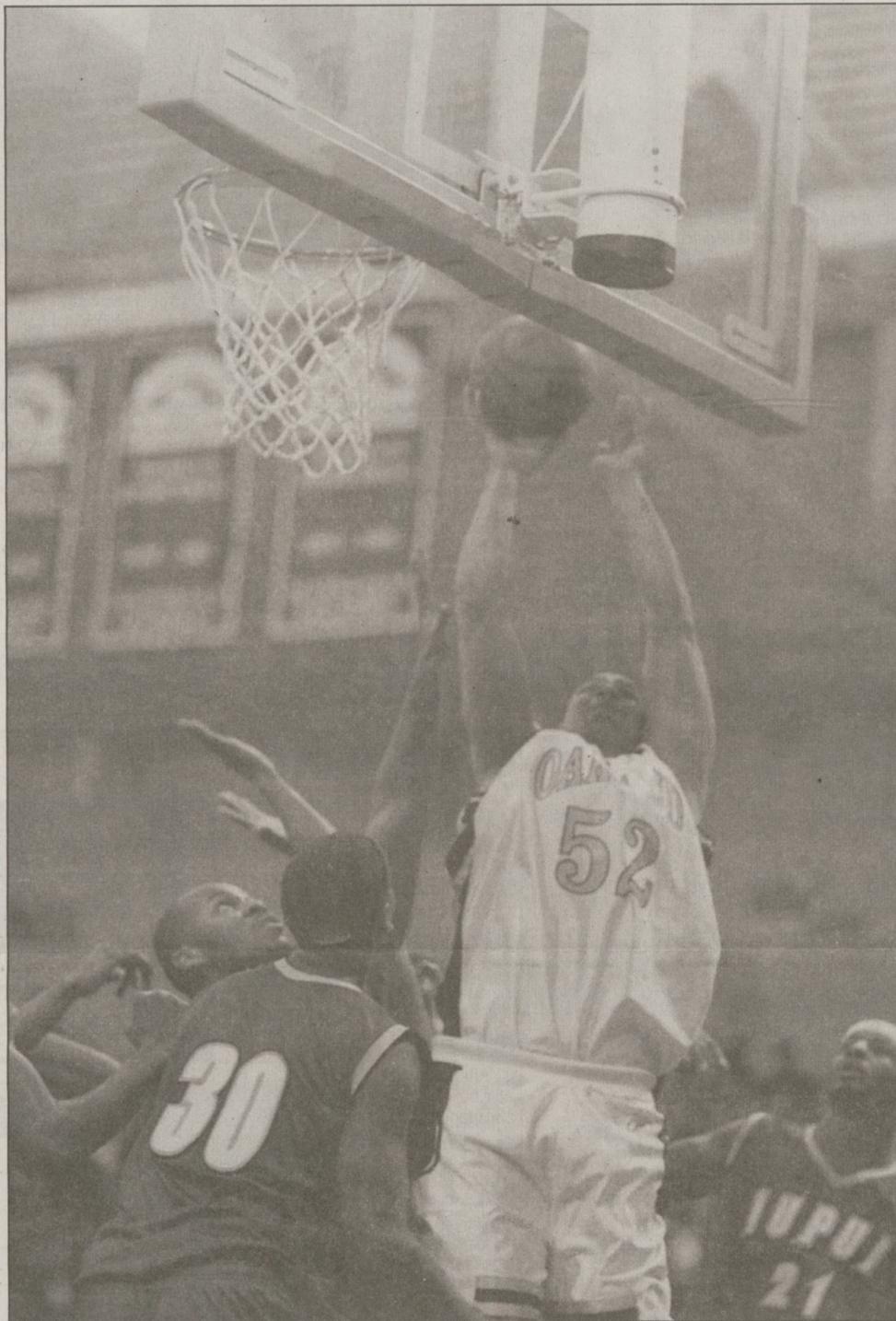
Deji Akindele led CSU with 18 points and 10 rebounds.

OU will take on Oral Roberts University at 8 p.m. on Thursday in Tulsa, Okla.

The Grizzlies then take on Southern Utah University at 6 p.m., Saturday in the O'Rena.

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Senior forward Cortney Scott scored 35 points and grabbed 14 rebounds to lead OU over the Chicago State.

Bob Knoska/ File Photo

## Men's basketball notebook

OU will face an early Mid-Con season test on Thursday night. The Grizzlies head to Tulsa, Okla. to take on Oral Roberts University.

Not only is Oral Roberts the consensus favorite to win the Mid-Con this season, but Oral Roberts also hosts the Mid-Con Tournament this season.

Oral Roberts is ranked 11th in collegeinsider.com's Mid-Major poll. OU already has a victory over 16th ranked Bowling Green University this season.

If OU is able to win in Tulsa it could send a statement to the rest of the Mid-Con and end OU's struggles on the road (0-8).

### New faces to OU

The Grizzlies have welcomed two new players to the team recently.

Vladimiras Severovas has transferred to OU from Wright State University, and Ricardo Billings has transferred from Ohio State University.

Both players attended high school in the state of Michigan and decided they wanted to return home.

Severovas and Billings will be eligible to play after the fall semester next season.

The duo, along with Calvin Wooten, who is sitting out this season after transferring from Rutgers, should give the Grizzlies a boost next season.

### Marshall hits milestone

Senior forward Rawle Marshall has passed Mike Helms on OU's all-time steals list.

Marshall currently has 167 career steals. Eric Taylor is OU's all-time leader with 233.

Marshall is also close to being OU's all-time leader in blocked shots.

He needs just four more to tie Lee Fitzpatrick, who compiled 79 during his years at OU.

— Dave Pemberton,  
Sports Editor

# Rivalry exposure could help OU

BY AARON WALKER  
THE OAKLAND POST

OU and the University of Detroit-Mercy (UDM) should heat up their "rivalry."

Some OU students probably didn't even know a rivalry existed between the two schools, and that's sad, since the two schools are a perfect fit to match up with one another.

Both schools participate in Mid-Major Conferences, with OU playing in the Mid-Con and UDM in the Horizon

League. Both institutions sponsor similar sports: basketball, baseball, softball, soccer, swimming and diving, cross country, golf and tennis. Note neither has a football team.

This season, the UDM Titans defeated the OU Grizzlies in men's Soccer.

On the Titans Web site, the headline read, "Titans defeat cross-town rival Oakland."

Last season's men's and women's basketball teams met, too.

At UDM, the Titan men defeated OU. But at the game, on nearly every wall

there was a sign saying "UDM vs. Oakland cross-town rivals."

During Fox 2 News' telecast, they showed highlights of the game, and they labeled the two schools as cross-town rivals.

Like it or not, a rivalry exists. Now, they need to intensify the battles. Other than a 'W,' there's not much else is on the line when the two schools compete.

A means of raising the stakes can be found by gaining sponsors for the rivalry, and a championship trophy.

The winner of each battle (game), will

receive a point and whoever tallies the most points at the end of the athletic season wins the cup.

It will grace their trophy case for a year, and points will be added again.

The sponsors can contribute money to our athletic fund, e.g. scholarships, and we'll give them advertising space at the various sporting events.

This is in addition to the company's name within the title of the trophy, e.g. The Oakland Post Detroit v. Oakland Championship Trophy.

In order for this idea to be a success,

OU students need to support its school and its athletes.

Just like the crowd packed the men's soccer game vs. MSU, or how everyone packs the O'Rena when teams like Valparaiso, Missouri and Marquette visit in men's hoops.

An intense rivalry like this could also generate more publicity for both schools' sports programs, which can gain higher caliber athletes, and a larger audience to compete in front of.

With student support, this idea could be a reality.

# Swimmers split with Eagles

BY DANA UTZ  
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

## Women top Eastern

The women's swimming and diving team had its first of four consecutive dual meets on Saturday competing against Eastern Michigan University (EMU).

The Golden Grizzlies were able to come away with a victory, 132-111.

Sophomore individual medley (IM) swimmer, freestyler and breaststroker Amanda Burwell helped lead the team with a pair of first place finishes in the 200-yard IM (2:11.11) and the 200-yard backstroke (2:06.94).

The 400-yard medley relay led the Grizzlies to an early lead, 15-2, after finishing first and second in the event.

The first relay team, made up of senior backstroker Renie Green, sophomore IMer and flyer Melissa Jaeger, junior breaststroker Maria Musialczyk and sophomore freestyler and backstroker Jenna Dejonge, finished with a time of 3:56.04.

The second place relay team, coming into the wall at 3:59.43, was made up of senior backstroker and IMer Tara Berringer, Burwell, freshman breaststroker Kim Bacon and freshman sprint freestyler Riley Rigoli.

Senior distance freestyler Karoline Freytag had a victory in the 1000-yard freestyle with a time of 10:27.34.

Dejonge also came away with a first-place finish, hers in the 50-yard freestyle. She edged out the competition with a time of 25.0 seconds.

The score was close in the 11th event when EMU was only down by 12 points after it had 1-2-3 finishes on the one-meter diving board.

Jaeger halted EMU's streak with her victory in the 200-yard butterfly (2:07.28).

The Grizzlies pulled ahead even further in the 100-yard freestyle, sweeping the event by gaining first- through third-place finishes.

Junior freestyler, IMer and flyer Line Jensen finished first with her time of 53.13.

Freshman freestyler Elaine Shalla took second place when

she touched the wall less than a second later at 53.42.

Rigoli took the third-place finish, with a time of 54.01.

OU won the 400-yard freestyle relay, securing the win.

By the end of the meet the Grizzlies won eight events while EMU was only able to capture five individual titles.

The men's team fell to Eastern Michigan University with a final

## Eagles defeat men's team

score of 158-80.

Junior backstroker and IMer Eric Lynn had the first victory of the meet in the 100-yard freestyle as he edged out the competition with a time of 47.07.

Before Lynn's win, EMU had the top spot in the first seven events of the meet.

EMU took an early 13-4 lead and never let it go throughout the course of the meet.

Freshman breaststroker Zoltan Horvath had the only other individual first-place finish for the men's team with his time of 2:06.41 in the 200-yard breaststroke.

The only other win for OU was in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

The team of freshman flyer and freestyler Chris Tansel, sophomore freestyler Aroldo Nery, freshman freestyler Evan Kobes and junior freestyler and IMer Nick McCollum picked up the win with a time of 3:16.84.

The next meet will be held

Saturday at 2 p.m. in the OU Aquatics Center against Kenyon University.

## Game Preview

Who: OU vs. Kenyon University

When: 2 p.m.

Where: OU Aquatics Center

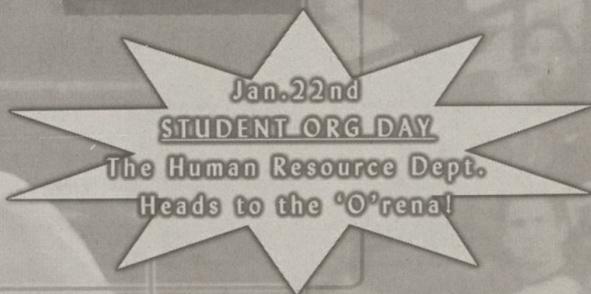
What: The women will look to extend their winning streak, while the men will look to rebound from their loss to EMU.



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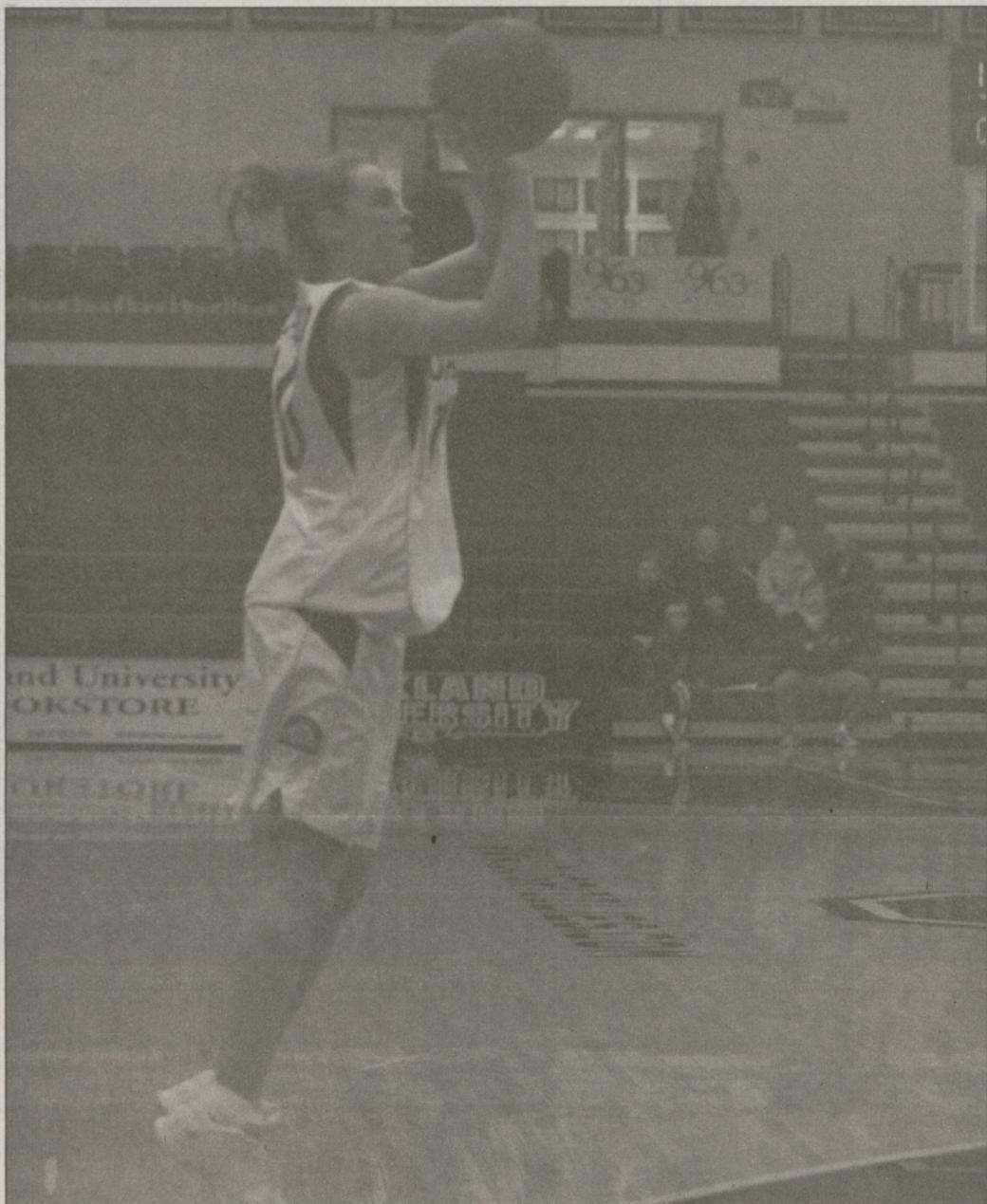
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## Hafeli's 25 helps lead Grizzlies over UMKC



Junior guard Anne Hafeli scored 17 of her 25 points in the first half and finished with a career high seven three pointers made.

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With more than four minutes to play and only one point away from tying her career high, Anne Hafeli took a seat.

Neither her coach, Eileen Shea-Hilliard, or the junior guard realized it at the time.

"She just wants to win," Shea-Hilliard said.

The OU women's basketball team did that comfortably with a 82-64 victory over the University of Missouri-Kansas City in the O'rena Monday night.

Hafeli led the way with 25 points, just short of her career mark of 26. She did set a career-high with three-pointers made with seven.

"I was pretty comfortable because (UMKC) was playing that zone so we were getting some good looks," Hafeli said. "We were moving the ball pretty good, so I was very comfortable."

Hafeli hit a few shots from well behind the three-point arc, which helped the offense, Shea-Hilliard said. "I think the fact that she's shooting from longer range really stretches out the defense even more," she said.

The 25-point effort by Hafeli, which earned her Mid-Con Player of the Week honors, didn't necessarily surprise her coach.

"I would say Anne (Hafeli) has been our most consistent (player) offensively all year, in that we know what she's going to do," Shea-Hilliard said. "She's going to do the same thing every night. And most nights it comes out pretty well."

Hafeli currently leads the nation, hitting 3.3 three-pointers per game.

Hafeli was not alone on offense, with three other Golden Grizzlies scoring in double figures.

Junior guard Jayme Wilson tallied 14 points, sophomore forward Nicole Piggott added 11 points and senior center Petra Manakova contributed 10 points.

Defensively, OU limited the Kangaroo's leading scorer, senior guard Katie Houlehan, to only nine points,

but did give up points in the paint.

UMKC's two centers both scored in double digits, with freshman Alysa Klein recording a team-high 19 points.

Shea-Hilliard said the post players help the guards defend, but the guards don't always return the favor.

"I thought we didn't adjust as well as we should have in knowing who we were guarding and if we were able to go help," Shea-Hilliard said.

Senior guard Leigh Tully said the guards have to be more aware when the frontcourt defenders are fronting and when to help weakside.

Despite the lopsided victory, Shea-Hilliard wants the team to be able to fall back on its defense when its shots are not falling.

"We need to make sure that when the time comes, we can shut people down," she said.

Shea-Hilliard said the team needs to watch more film in order to recognize and execute the adjustments it has to make when the shooting isn't there.

With a big lead for most of the second half, reserves saw more playing time and answered the call.

Manakova played 21 minutes, up from her 18 minute average, and grabbed six rebounds to go with her 10 points.

Sophomore guard Bonnie Baker played 14 minutes, scoring four points and recording a career-high three steals.

Freshman forward Lakeshia White also saw extensive action, capitalizing by hauling in six rebounds in 10 minutes.

Senior Amanda Batcha, making her 104th consecutive start (every game since joining the Grizzlies), grabbed a game-high 11 rebounds.

OU finishes off a three-game home stand this week with games against Southern Utah University (SUU) and Oral Roberts University (ORU).

At 3:30 p.m. Saturday, the Grizzlies will tip off against ORU for the first game of a doubleheader.

OU will then square off against the Golden Eagles of ORU at 7 p.m. Monday in the O'rena.

Currently, the Grizzlies are 3-2 in the Mid-Con, 11-5 overall, placing fourth in the conference, trailing 4-0 Western Illinois University.

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## Leinart's decision is refreshing



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The Oakland Post

Southern California has it all. Great weather. Beautiful women. Heck, they even have Disneyland.

Well, put another point up on the 'we're better than you' scoreboard for California.

University of Southern California (USC) quarterback Matt Leinart has decided to pass on NFL riches and return for his senior season.

The Heisman Trophy winner's return makes the back-to-back defending national champions an overwhelming favorite to win an unprecedented third straight national championship. Yet as much as teams around the country wish Leinart had headed to the NFL, all football fans should rejoice and be thankful.

Leinart is a superstar. Superstars just don't stay in college for their senior years.

There are the rare Grant Hills and Tim Duncans, but unlike those NCAA stars, Leinart has a chance to become the best ever at his position.

In two years, Leinart has passed for 6,878 yards, 71 touchdowns and led USC to a 25-1 record in two national championship seasons.

With a loaded returning group and what looks like a down PAC-10, USC could very well run the table once more in 2005.

A possible 37-1 record as the all-time USC charts in passing yards and touchdowns would put Leinart in uncharted waters.

Forget leaving his mark on college football, with a successful 2005 season, Leinart would become college football.

And all this for a guy who most likely would be the number one pick in the draft.

Leinart told ESPN.com that he went with his gut and his heart when making the decision.

When a player of Leinart's talent says no to the money in order to leave a legacy in college because his heart told him to, special things happen.

Whoever you root for, when the college football season begins this fall, quietly root for Matt Leinart.

His decision is something rare in sports and he should be recognized for it.

## NHL set on self-destruction

By **SHERRY ROSS**  
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NEW YORK—In the classic movie "It's a Wonderful Life," the angel Clarence tells the suicidal George Bailey, "You've been given a great gift, George, a chance to see what the world would be like without you."

National Hockey League commissioner Gary Bettman has been granted this same amazing opportunity, without heavenly help.

For the past four months, he has had a chance to see what the world would be like if the NHL had never existed.

In the movie, George's bucolic hometown becomes a honky-tonk eyecore, soldiers die as a result of his never being born to save his hero brother Harry's life, and the lovely Mary becomes an old maid and inexplicably develops bad vision.

In the NHL version, nothing changes at all. An entire professional sports league has ceased to exist. No one noticed or cared.

I can't wait until the league hands out its trophies in June.

What Bettman needs to know is that "saving" the NHL by imposing a salary cap is a phony premise. Player salaries have little to do with the league's fatal flaws. The game was in trouble long before salaries started escalating. Curbing them won't improve the product on the ice.

Until the players get back to work, there is no way to start repairing the many other cracks in the foundation.

The NHL called a meeting of its board of governors for last week, then called it off because there was no reason to hold a meeting, which pretty much sums up the way that "negotiations" have progressed on a new collective bargaining agreement since the old one expired Sept. 15.

Bettman isn't alone. He is supposedly speaking for the league of 30 owners, who seem completely unified in this mindless exercise. Business Week magazine recently named Bettman one of the seven worst managers in the country in 2004. No one in the NHL has sprained an ankle leaping to his defense.

Further evidence of the NHL's increasing irrelevance came with its new television contract with NBC, which was to begin this month and essentially amounted to a humiliating barter deal.

In place of hockey on week-ends, NBC will now air dog shows and bicycle races, all of which will probably draw better ratings than hockey would have.

The NHL doesn't deserve the complete blame. NHL players are blindly following their leader, executive director Bob Goodenow, to the probable destruction of their livelihood.

The players arrogantly dragged their skates over the previous five years, refusing to start preparatory work on a new CBA before doomsday arrived. Over the past 10 years, the NHL Players Association has a staunch record of seldom hav-



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The 2004-05 NHL season is starting to look like a lost cause.

ing the game's — and by extension, the players' — best interests at heart.

To the NHLPA's limited credit, the players' proposal of a 24 percent salary rollback should have started a meaningful dialogue and laid a framework for a workable new CBA.

Instead, the NHL wants more.

It wants the players on their knees, salary cap in hand, begging to be allowed to come back and play.

Does anyone other than Bill Wirtz really think that's going to happen?

There are probably two weeks left in which to come to any sort of terms to finish out a partial regular season and playoffs in 2005.

If that doesn't happen, we can probably kiss the 2005-06 season goodbye as well, because if there is no sense of urgency

now, why should there be any more next September?

There are several possible scenarios for next season, which could include the much-denied rumor of replacement players or the players taking their case to the National Labor Relations Board.

The former is about as appealing as a glass of curdled eggnog while the latter, with its appeals, would be in the court system for years.

The worst-case scenario?

The NHL goes the way of the dodo and the drive-in movie.

"You see, George," Clarence tells Jimmy Stewart, "you really had a wonderful life. Don't you see what a mistake it would be to throw it away?"

It now looks like it would take divine intervention to save a league so hell-bent on self-destruction.