

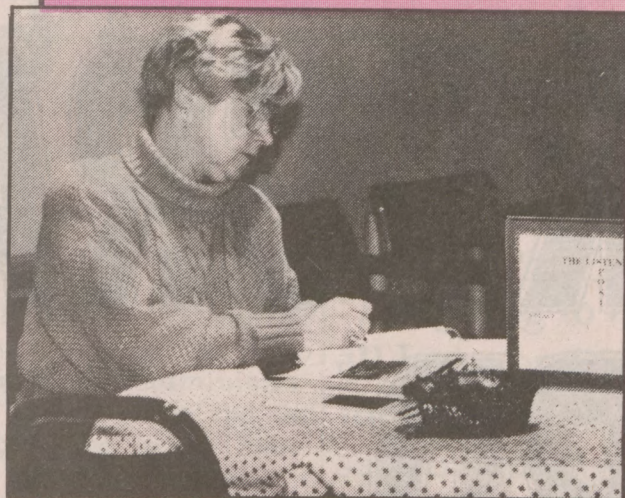
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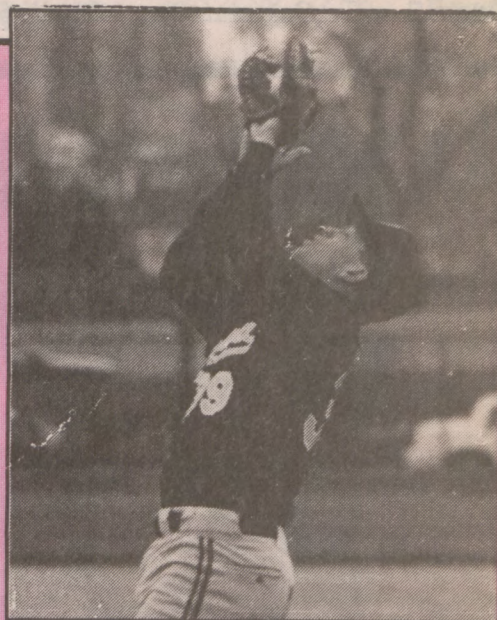


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# The Oakland Post

## Board faces overhaul

By ROBERT CARR  
News Editor

The terms of two OU Board of Trustees are up this August, and another might quit this November.

"I'm running for the University of Michigan Board of Regents," trustee Andrea Fischer said.

The U of M grad said she would have to run in a

Republican primary August 26, and then be selected in a state election Nov. 8.

There are two openings on U of M's Board, and Fischer's term at OU officially ends Aug. 11, 1998. "If elected, I would have to resign from Oakland's Board," she said.

She said that along with being a graduate of U of M, she would take the job for different personal reasons.

"I think she is very action-oriented," OU President Sandra Packard said. "Her service has been very valuable."

Larry Chunovich and Stephan Sharf have served on the Board since March 10, 1987, and their current terms expires August 11, 1994.

Chunovich was on vacation and unavailable for comment, but Sharf said that he would be thrilled to seek another eight-

year term.

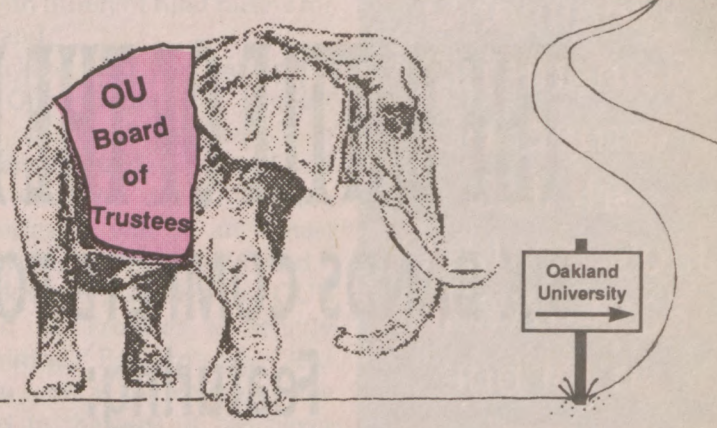
"It's up to the governor and the university, but I would be very happy to serve again," Sharf said.

He said he plans to send a letter to Gov. John Engler outlining his wish to renew his term.

The eight board members are appointed by the governor for eight year terms with the con-

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Republican Party!



The Oakland Post / Joe Pickering

## Briefly...

### Meetings at OU

The University Affairs Advisory Committee meeting is this Thursday, April 7 at 1 p.m. in rooms 126-127 in the Oakland Center.

Immediately following is the OU Board of Trustees meeting, at 3 p.m. in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms.

These meetings deal with issues that directly affect the operation of the university, and are open to the public.

### Fire, DCL questions

The cost to repair the fire damages at Dodge Hall might run as high as \$900,000 said Paul Bissonette, vice president of finance and administration.

The VP said during the Finance and Personnel Committee meeting Monday that the university is covered under insurance, and will only have to pay \$5000 out-of-pocket due to past good-risk practices.

Also during the meeting OU President Sandra Packard discussed the possible merger between OU and the Detroit College of Law.

The merger will be discussed at a meeting of DCL scheduled for April 18.

The chairman of the committee in charge of the merger talks, U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Richard Suhrheinrich, said that the committee is thinking about a site near Kresge Library.

### Help save a life

American Red Cross of Southeastern Michigan Blood Services Region is sponsoring a blood drive Wednesday, April 6 in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms.

The rooms will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Phone 370-2020 or sign up at CPO (49 Oakland Center) for an appointment.

## T-Time



The Oakland Post/Clive Savage

Sheena Clarke of American Credit Card Inc. distributes T-shirts in the OC Monday, in an effort to raise money for the American Medical Association.

## Students report indecent actions at Kresge library

**Public fondling is third reported case for Oakland this school year**

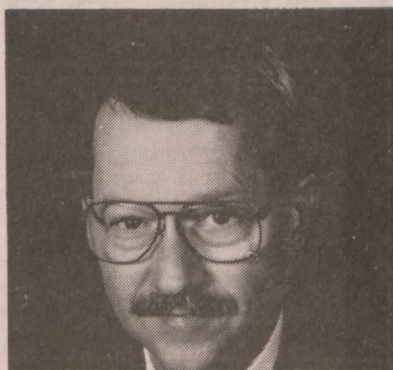
By EILEEN OXLEY  
Staff Writer

Two indecent exposure incidents that occurred at Kresge Library before the Easter week-

end follow a pattern at public institutions across the state, Oakland University officials said.

On March 28 a female student filed a complaint with OU's public safety department stating that a white male "rubbed himself below the belt" while staring at her as she studied on the library's third floor.

On March 29 a second female student reported that a man exposed himself and masturbat-



Mel Gilroy

ed while watching her approximately eight feet away from a table where she was working.

After she became afraid and gathered her books to leave, she noticed the man wiping some liquid off the table and walking away ahead of her.

In both cases the physical description was similar and lead OU's Department of Public Safety and Police to speculate the

## Group assessed library's merits during evaluation earlier this week

By ERICA BLAKE  
Staff Writer

Kresge Library underwent its second evaluation earlier this week by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, an organization which concerns itself with the quality and performance of schools throughout the country.

The group's last visit to Oakland was in 1989 when it awarded the university reaccreditation and provided suggestions towards further developing the library.

"We are here to overlook and see what's going on," Faye N. Vowell said. Vowell was one of two members from the North Central team who visited OU Monday and Tuesday. "We then give our report to the North Central group who looks it over and sends an official report back to the school."

Concerns which the initial team expressed five years ago in relation to Kresge include the size of the book and journal collections and the budget allotted for library collection development.

These were deemed serious enough for NCACS to schedule a second visit, called a focus visit, to concentrate primarily on assessing the progress and development of the library.

"The purpose is to get some kind of general sense, a general overview," Vowell said. "But it's not a negative kind of visit. It's a kind of monitoring, supportive, consulting visit."

Kresge staff members were very confident that the visit and the subsequent report would be positive.

"Since 1989, we have expanded the library, — the construction wasn't complete when they first saw it — we have significantly increased our collection development and we've bought more books for the library," University Library Dean Suzanne Frankie said.

Due to the concerns expressed by NCACS, the library's budget increased more than 50 percent, from about \$450,000 to almost \$1

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Indra David  
Kresge Library

perpetrator is the same person.

The man is described by all three women as in his mid 40's, with dark thinning hair. In all three instances the man was wearing a tan leather jacket.

Lieutenant Mel Gilroy, the

commanding officer of police operations, said that 75 percent of OU's reported indecent exposure episodes take place in the library.

"That holds true in many other jurisdictions," he said. "OCC called (today) and said they had just arrested somebody (in a similar incident)."

"I think it's the environment. People tend to study alone and isolated. There isn't much control. The person can run off and get away," Gilroy said.

These incidents parallel another situation where Keith Sackett, a 33-year-old Rochester Hills man who was linked to a series of similar incidents at various Oakland County libraries including Kresge's, was held in the Oakland County Jail last fall on a

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# STUDENT PROGRAM BOARD

## CONCERT / DANCE TONIGHT!!!

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## COFFEEHOUSE

HONORING EARTH MONTH  
After the featured performer  
there will be an open mike  
segment in which both students  
and staff are welcome to perform.

Saturday, April 9  
Abstention (a.k.a. The Underground)  
8:00pm  
Free Admission

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### MURDER MYSTERY II

Last fall's murder mystery had such  
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8:00pm

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Thursday, April 14  
Varner Recital Hall  
8:00pm  
Free Admission



# Rickstad to speak for student on Board

By MELISSA LAROSE  
Staff Writer

Oakland University's Student Congress President Amy Rickstad will make a final effort to get a student representative on the Board of Trustees at the board's meeting Thursday.

Rickstad, who is rounding out the final months of her term, will present the board with an informational package she compiled throughout the year containing research she gathered through other schools and government officials.

The presentation consists of a copy of her statement saying why a student representative will be beneficial, a copy of a resolution passed by Saginaw Valley State University in 1972 which added a student seat to its governing board and excerpts from state constitutions across the nation that have student trustee seats.

"I hope it will be the turning point in the quest to put a student on the Board of Trustees," Rickstad said. "Ideally, I'd like to see something in place for fall semester."

The package will also contain a copy of the resolution passed by Student Congress in October supporting this issue and a similar resolution passed

by the Michigan Collegiate Coalition.

She will also include a letter from Susan Heintz, director of Gov. John Engler's southeastern Michigan office, which explains that the student

trustee issue is between the school's administration and the student representatives.

"They (Engler's office) want the university to decide for themselves," Rickstad said.

Rickstad's ultimate goal is to get voting status however, she will be content with having a non-voting representative because the student will be able to give input and voice ideas to the rest of the board members.

"Realistically, right now is to have a non-voting seat," Rickstad said. "Students should be able to

**"I'm going to tie up all loose ends... Ideally, I'd like to see something in place for fall semester."**

**Amy Rickstad  
Congress President**

initiate proposals and take part in debates and discussions."

Rickstad explained that the three options to getting a student trustee position on the board include amending the state constitution to add an extra seat, having a student apply for a seat once one becomes vacant or have a non-voting student seat.

Rickstad attended a workshop in Washington D.C. March 26-28 which was based on a University of Wisconsin state statute and informed students on how to get representation on governing boards.

"It's mandated by the state (Wisconsin) that students have to have a voice in all decision-making bodies at the university level," Rickstad said. "It's a somewhat radical idea and that's why they used it as a basis for the session."

Michael Simon, Student Congress president-elect hopes to continue with this issue once his term begins in June.

"I have to see how far we get (at the meeting) and then I'll make a battle plan," Simon said.

"I'm going to tie up all loose ends so everything is set for the next administration," Rickstad said.



Amy Rickstad

## Group

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million.

Frankie said that the library has raised approximately \$3.8 million toward a \$5 million endowment for the library,

money which is given as contributions and donations from various people including Friends of the Library.

The library has added approximately 300,000 new materials in the past four years, however, most students still feel that Kresge is inadequate for their needs.

"On average, the students think that the library is not fully equipped compared to other libraries," Library Council member Matt Karrardja said, who, along with the other student representatives on the Library Council, conducted a survey of students' attitudes towards the library.

Karrardja said that students felt that the library staff was abundant and helpful but that a lot of books are missing, hard to find or are misplaced.

The North Central Association will review and approve the report submitted by the assessment team at its summer meeting.

## Trustees

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sent of the state senate.

"The senate has 60 days to approve or disapprove the governor's nomination," Ann Mervenne, director of appointments for Gov. Engler said.

Mervenne said that anyone who is interested in the position should write a letter to her office, and that she would meet the individuals to discuss issues

such as what the person could contribute to Oakland.

The Board's composition, such as gender balance and professional diversity, are also a factor in the selection, she said.

Mervenne also said that the positions will probably be filled the same month they expire, and more than likely will be given to Republicans.

"Gov. Engler is more likely to recommend someone who shares his ideas," Mervenne said. "He favors someone like Andrea Fischer, who has been very help-

ful with different fund raisers for Oakland."

Packard said she anticipates that Gov. Engler will appoint two more Republicans to Oakland's Board, in fact she said that when he does fill those vacancies, it will be an almost totally Engler-appointed Board.

"However, service on OU's Board of Trustees is strictly unpolitical," Packard said. "And if you look at the voting by the Board in the past, it has never been divided along political lines."

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## Exposure

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felony charge of enhanced indecent exposure.

Indra David, associate dean of Kresge, says that indecent exposure episodes happen at the library about 3 to 10 times a year.

In her 18 years at OU, she has seen everything from flashers to people urinating on library books.

"They're usually people who are too scared to do anything else but get their jollies out by exposing themselves," she said. "They are sick people who need psychological counseling."

She added that whenever such incidents are reported the library takes immediate action by bringing the victim to a protected area within the building.

"One staff member will immediately call the police and get the student to identify that person," she said. "If he tries to leave we can keep track of that."

David has been so concerned that she once followed a perpetrator out to the library's parking lot herself. When the police arrived she was able to point out the person and he was apprehended.

The female student who reported the March 28 incident feels the man has been around OU's campus since the Spring '93 term because a third woman experienced a similar episode during that period.

"He's hard to catch because he's so ordinary looking," David said. "There's something pretty creepy about him though...the way he moves and all."

"This guy's gross, he should be stopped."

**March 28 - 6 p.m.** A man has been arrested and charged with assault with intent to do great bodily harm after an attack on a female East Vandenberg resident.

The accused was arraigned March 30, and posted \$1500 bond for the felony charge which could result in a 10-year prison term.

The 19-year-old OU student had been dating the 23-year-old man for about nine months and had left a note on his doorstep telling him she wanted to break off the relationship.

Allegedly after returning that night to her unlocked dorm room, the man attacked her when she pushed open the door.

The subject said he grabbed her and threw her to the ground, pushing shut the door, and banged her head three times on the ground.

He then allegedly pulled her to her feet, and slammed her against the opposite wall. As the student was getting dizzy, the man allegedly grabbed her and began pulling her toward the open balcony, saying "I'm going to kill you."

At this point, a witness who had heard loud noises and screaming entered the room, scaring off the man.

**March 29 - 12:25 p.m.** Two students were involved in a mini-collision in the North Parking Lot.

The first student was reportedly pulling out of her parking space when the accident occurred. She said that she was looking both ways, and that the second student came out of nowhere and ran into the left-rear side of her vehicle.

The second driver said that she did not see the first student until it was too late and could not avoid the accident.

**March 31 - 2:52 p.m.** A grey Chevy Blazer was broken into in the North Parking Lot, a passenger side door window was busted out and a radio cassette player worth \$350 was ripped from its console.

The owner said that the same vehicle was involved in a similar B & E earlier this year at OU, and his speakers were stolen.



Dr. Jean Kilbourne, an internationally known media critic and recipient of lecturer of the year award entertained over 300 people yesterday in the Oakland Center with her presentation entitled, "The Naked Truth: Advertising's Image of Women."

## New plans ease payment pains

By LORI KAY  
Staff Writer

Starting in the fall it will be easier for students at Oakland University to charge their tuition fees and housing bills by credit card.

Ray Harris, associate vice president of Finance and Administration, developed the plan of using credit cards and or deferred payment plan.

Harris said the committee members are meeting with a bank representative to decide what credit cards will be used on campus.

"We've not signed with anyone yet. Everything is in the planning and negotiation

process," though the goal is to be implemented by the fall term.

According to Lauri Strong, supervisor of student accounts, the students who wish to use the deferred tuition payment plan must register early for the fall semester. The students must also complete and return a promissory note application to Student Accounts before July 1, 1994.

These students will pay 25 percent before the semester begins and be billed three times for the balance. Students who register on regular registration days, or during late registration, would pay half the outstanding balance at registration, and receive two additional billings.

The deferred billing plan has a

**"No one is at a disadvantage. If you don't have a credit card you still have an option."**

**Lori Strong  
Student Accounts**

\$30 service charge, Strong said.

"No one is at a disadvantage she said. "If you don't have a credit card, you still have an

option. It's a good service.

"It is estimated 30 percent of the students will use it," Strong said, adding that 100 students have applied for the plan already.

Roberta Badgley, assistant controller of the Financial Aid and Accounting Office said the plan was much needed.

"We've looked at other institutions like Grand Valley, where their participation has gone up to 50 percent with it," Badgley said. Freshman Debbie McTaggart embraced the idea.

"It would help out a lot, because it's a pain sending it all in at one time. I would use it."



# Opinion

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## OUR VIEW

### Board set to lose major players to UM, expired terms

Oakland University Board of Trustee member Andrea Fischer's interest in running for a seat on The University of Michigan's Board of Regents is easy to understand, but deeply troubling, as well.

If you hold the two posts up to scrutiny, the University of Michigan's Board of Regents is certainly more prestigious, and sadly OU will lose out to prestige all of the progress Fischer initiated when appointed in 1991.

Fischer recognizes the conflict of interest in serving both posts and admitted that Oakland would be dropped in favor of the higher profile position.

While Fischer has led the board in debates and has openly squabbled during board meetings with President Packard, she was and has been a breath of fresh air from the staid, non-substantive discussions before her arrival.

She speaks her mind and that provided the rest of us with a better knowledge and understanding of the meaty discussions which were going on behind closed doors in committee sessions. Now that those meetings are open, those who attend have a better grasp of the Board's work.

Part of Fischer's panache is her unpolished approach to board meetings. She unapologetically exhibited her brashness by taking cellular phone calls during interviews for candidates for a new president and her propensity for tardiness both of which have drawn the ire of fellow trustees and those in attendance.

But that lack of peer respect has allowed her to break from the mold of a stereotypical glassy-eyed trustee.

But for those who attend only Board meetings, Fischer's candor is informative and enlightening. Our concern is that Trustee Fischer is the only one who has assumed that role. Would her successor be equally open and willing to be so publicly combative? We would hope so.

If Fischer has lost her zeal for the job, it is better she move on, and we wish her luck. If elected to the U of M Board of Regents, she's sure to make waves.

As for the other two trustees who may depart Oakland this summer, Larry Chunovich would be a small loss, considering his absences from meetings since the board thwarted the effort to name him as chairman last year. Consider him gone.

Stephan Sharf, often times the brightest and most charismatic trustee, would be a huge loss for Oakland University. His unquestionable commitment to OU and blunt realism would take years to replace. We'll also miss his witty and pointed comments.

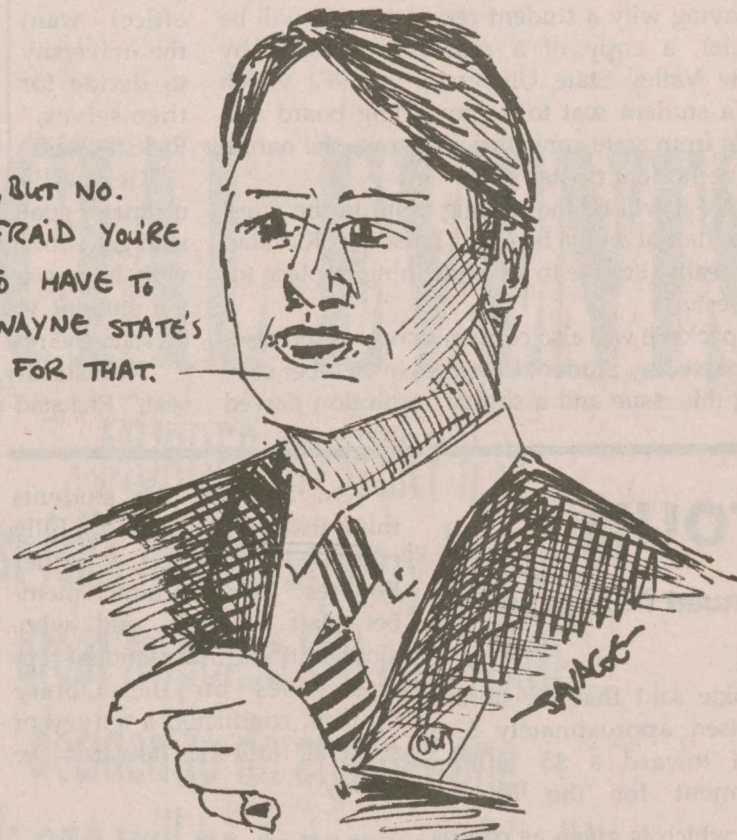
Since he has already expressed interest in returning, we urge the governor to allow him to stay.

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GOING TO HAVE TO  
GO TO WAYNE STATE'S  
LIBRARY FOR THAT.



## Letters to the Editor

### Gay lifestyle a preference not a choice of evil ones

Dear Editor,

I am writing regarding a letter written by W.D. Carlson in the march 23 issue of the Oakland Post. He clearly stated how he didn't "support the harassment of anyone."

Well Mr. Carlson, it is ignorance like yours that

stems harassment and discrimination.

Being gay is not an evil force that contributes to societies' faults. It is not a choice but a preference.

There are numerous straight people who rape, kill, and exhibit perverse behavior.

What you are doing is making a judge stereotypical generalization that lumps together gays as "perverted and sick."

I truly believe it is not a gay issue, its a human

rights issue. Shouldn't all people be given the opportunity to be treated with respect and fairness?

While I am not gay, I do not believe that all people who are not like me are less adequate human beings.

What our society needs to "uplift" and improve the human conditions" are open minded people who can look past the differences between people and put forth an effort to improve our society, for

the sake of tomorrow.

Perhaps in the future, people will learn from the mistakes of the past and begin to accept others openly and honestly. I myself look forward to this day.

Sincerely,

Amy M. Raymer  
Junior  
Sports Medicine

### Ignorance underscores homophobic behavior

Dear Editor,

This is in response to PhD student W.D. Carlson. Have you ever heard of the words "complete moron?" I really don't know how you can judge anyone with the ignorance you showed me through your opin-

ions on gays that are completely homophobic.

How dare you make gay rights a major cause to "elicit drug use, pre-marital sex, etc..." Heterosexuals do use drugs and have pre-marital sex, and by your words, are close-minded too.

I have the right to live my life without ridicule, oppression, discrimination, attacks, prejudgments and bitter words, just like you. I have the right to love who I want and not have it categorized by others as "perverted and sick behavior." you may not like the fact that I like

"I should have the right to have the university support my struggles... because I am a student here...just like you."

Jacqueline O'Connor  
Sociology Major

the same sex, but that doesn't give anyone the right to take

away my rights, and that includes Oakland University.

I should have the right to have the university support my struggles and the ending of them because I am a student here, like it or not, just like you.

You need to learn the word "acceptance" because one day when you go in for a job interview, the one who might have the privilege of hiring and firing you will be a believer in gay rights, and, God forbid, one of "those homosexuals!"

Jacqueline O'Connor  
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## Survey says...

### "Are you satisfied with the services at Kresge library?"



Melissa Hartman  
freshman, undecided  
"No, it isn't organized clearly and the computers are slow and outdated."



Steve Capps  
junior, political science  
"No, it lacks the resources. Everything I ask for is in another library."



Kellie Rhines  
senior, biology  
"No, I don't think it has enough resources."



Dmitry Vladimirov  
sophomore, business  
"Yes, it has a variety of sources I can rely on."



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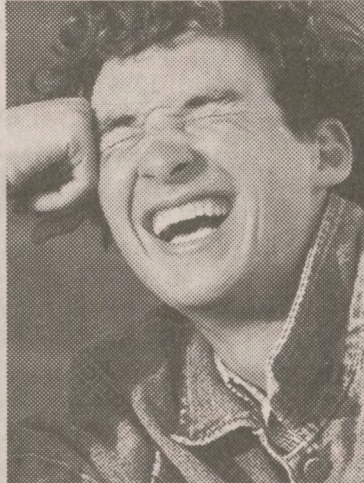
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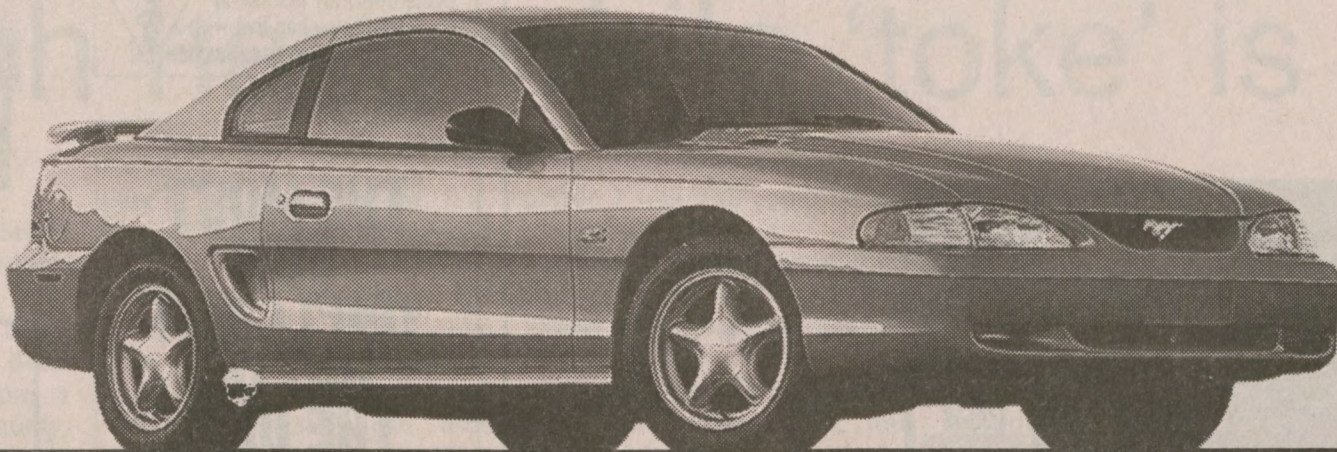
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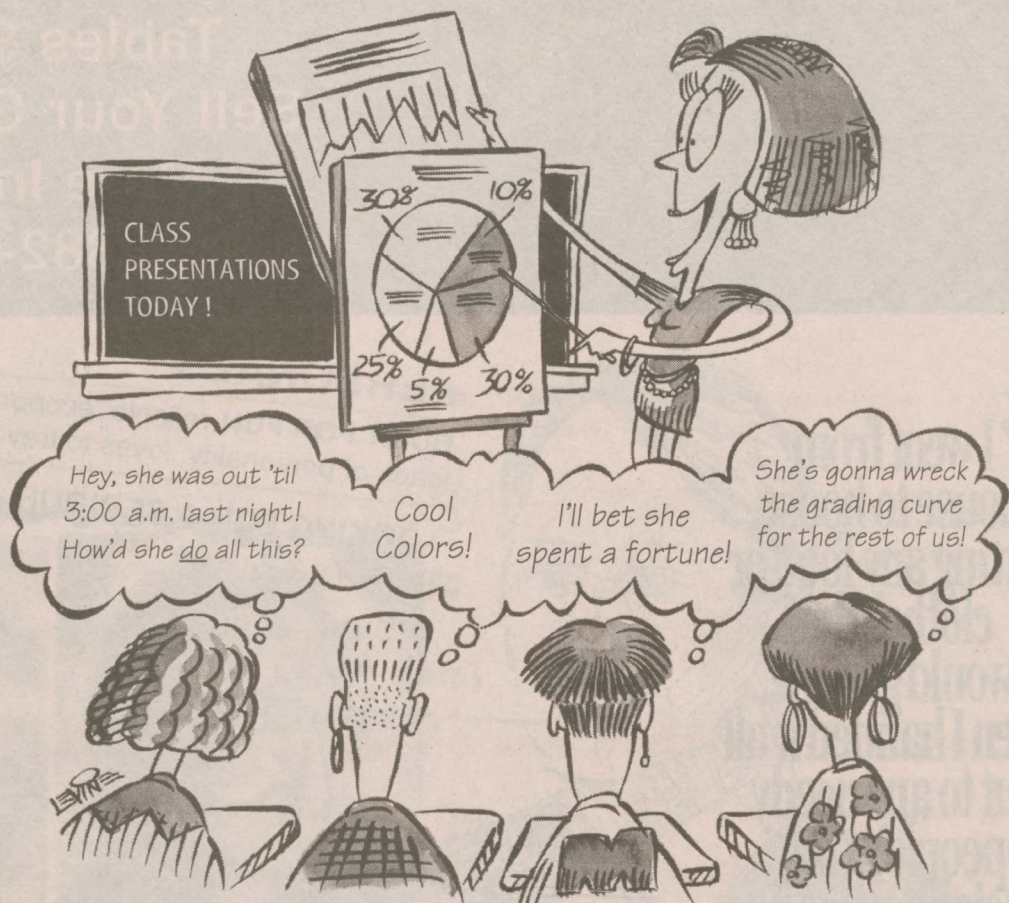
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# Features

## Students find a kind ear at Listening Post

By DIANA PLETZ  
Staff Writer

Student needs are met one again at OU with the Listening Post, a station for untold conversation.

Camped next to Sweet Sensations in the OC, any student can find a volunteer faculty or community member ready with an open ear between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

"The Listening Post is a place for someone to just stop by and talk to someone or have someone listen to them", explains Nancy Schmitz, Dean of Students. Equipped with a table cloth covered table, two chairs, a sign labeled, 'Listening Post' and a bowl of hard wrapped candy, students have the option to sit down and chat for a while about anything on their mind.

Students are finding comfort

and confidentiality when talking with faculty volunteers and community volunteers from St. Johns Fisher Chapel in Rochester. Although none of the volunteers are trained for therapy, counseling, teaching, or advising, they are more than willing to listen as a friend. This fall and winter they've been approached most with concerns of graduation, employment, and long-term plans.

"Students feel safe knowing that no one will make value judgements of them or take it (what they've said) to another level," says Schmitz. Anything a student talks about never leaves the table because the volunteer serves as an ear and not a voice for students.

"A tally is kept on any trend they see, but formal records of the conversations do not exist," explains Schmitz. The tally is kept for the sake of improving

communication between OU and its students.

"It (the Listening Post) confirmed the fact that having someone available during the week to approach made students more comfortable," says Schmitz. So now orientation leaders are stationed around campus the first week of school each fall semester to answer any questions.

The Listening Post has been in operation since January 1993, after strong efforts on behalf of Sister Mary Bodde from the campus ministry. She believed students at OU needed another outlet to feel connected with their school. Much to her satisfaction and the schools, 355 contacts have been made between the students and volunteers since winter 93.

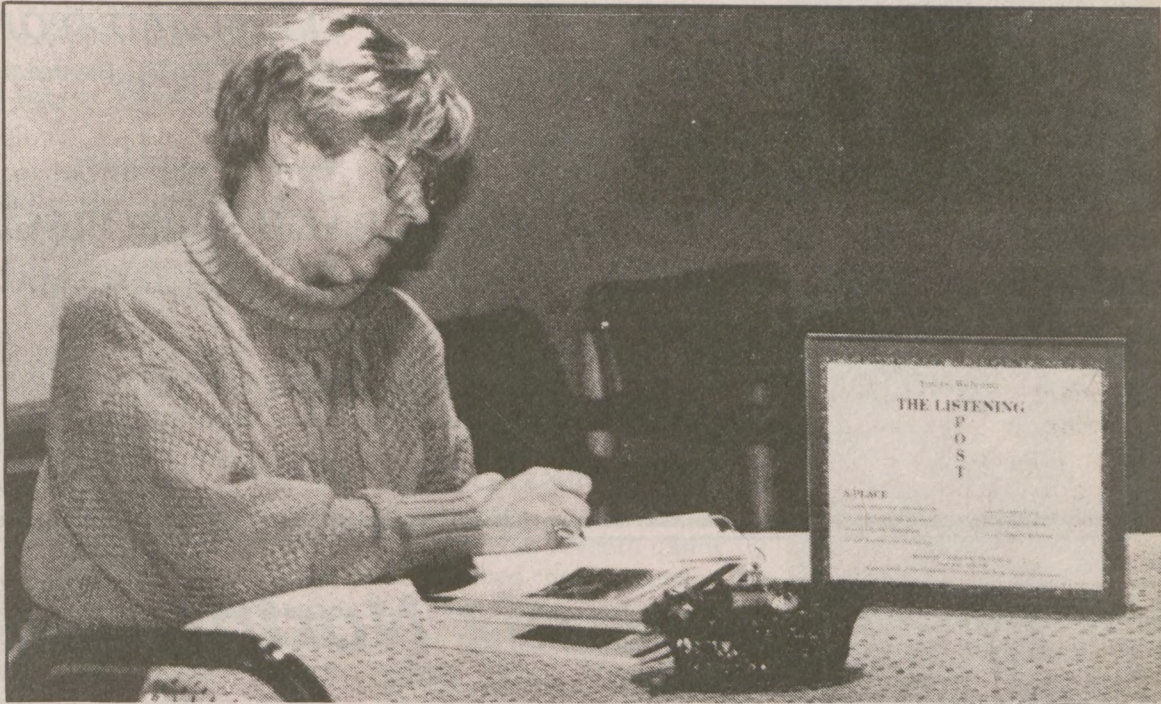
The concept that began at a small community college in the midwest has grown. Now, there are over 50 Listening Posts avail-

able in the United States ranging from community colleges, universities, and high schools.

As an addition to OU, it is

hoped that students will find their connection with the university whether it's by sitting down and talking with a volunteer or

taking a piece of candy from the bowl in passing and just saying 'Hi.'



Students can come talk shop or discuss their problems at the Listening Post.

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### Ah, Wilderness

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## Gaze through haze while 'toke' is ablaze

"It pays to be paranoid," said the outlaw to the philosopher king.

With a whiff of cattle truck in the air, warm sun and azure skies, Hendrix blessed while my truck spurted along I-696 keeping pace with the rest of the vehicular semen.

Ann Arbor Hash Bash here I come.

I saw the first bust late Saturday morning.

The crowd packing the Diag booed. Then thousands of voices began to chant, "BULLSHIT." As far as I know, no violence ensued. According to WJBK Eyewitness News, a crowd of 5,000 (I heard 10,000 on Sunday!) gathered on the campus with 70 people ticketed for marijuana possession.

The consequences of pinching one joint: on state/campus property, the guilty were slapped with a hefty \$1,000 fine; on Ann Arbor city property, have a nice day and please pay \$25.

Believe me, the Law was patrolling. They reconnoitered me and I reciprocated. But if you were on the University of Michigan Diag and saw the blue smoke rising towards the American Flag clapping in the breeze, you'd know battles in the Freedom War are lost but ultimately, ...you decide.

Or continue your own brand of deviance until the Gestapo knocks down your door.

And the possibility of being caught in the act didn't deter Atomic Bob, Theresa from a small town in Oakland County, Ron from Ohio, Crazy Dave and Lady Ella who live in their van, Jim from Flint, Carl and Tracy from Cedar Springs and Marvin "Marvin".

"I want to be elected to the U.S. Senate," said Marvin Surowitz.

Surowitz (Marvin "Marvin") teaches political science at Macomb Community College in Mt. Clemens (confirmed). He also founded his own religious sect, The Earth Community Church, which says it all said Surowitz.

And "Marvin" heads his own "grass roots" political corps, "Partie America, the people's alliance to reform, transform & improve everything."

For wild audacity, Surowitz has my vote. When "Marvin" lit a joint on the U of M library steps, through the haze his shaved head appeared to be an upside down exclamation point.

Later, I asked "Marvin" about all the busts.

"Don't be mad at the cops,

they're just enforcing the law. The politicians are at fault," said "Marvin".

Atomic Bob said almost the same thing when I asked him why he was wearing a paper money mask.

"The politicians can hide behind their money, so can I."

Enough politics. I went to the 23rd Annual Hash Bash because I was summoned. A personal



LARRY V. WEISS  
COLUMNIST

subpoena from my past said go west.

No, it wasn't a case of participatory journalism. The fluid sample contract with OU still holds. Pay attention, my attitude will be more on OU than for OU.

I went to meet and greet the

person I was, still could be and often miss.

Alone, I walked among the crowds. Some told me with a variety of messages to get lost. Others talked but the fear was in their eyes. Was he wired? Did he have a connection to the uniforms following their noses through the crowd?

I watched the police. Pretending another goal, I played a dangerous game. I would tail one police pair knowing they were on point and in earbud communication with officers on the flank.

I never saw the police enter the crowd. Their tactics were surround then swoop on smokers near the fringe. The backup would appear, out came the handcuffs and away they went.

Jail is always a dangerous penalty. I understood the fear.

When Crazy Dave and I saw each other, the trust was implicit. We connected and understood each other to be brothers.

Crazy Dave and Lady Ella had visited the Haight, said High to the Colorado mountains and were now distributing peanut butter cookies on the Diag.

Dave turns 40 soon and Ella 21. The two lovers had the look of dreamers. Dave's brown hair and beard were long, his skin

tanned and he walked like a drunken sailor. Ella was a head taller than Dave. She was thin, very blond and showed me her cannabis jewelry.

"Why?", I asked. They looked at me. "I know why, but say it for the timid."

"I like to enjoy my life," said Dave. "We're living life without the government," said Ella.

Ella and I talked about Michigan's wild plants and shrooms. I credit her for understanding.

I gave them a dollar but passed on the cookies. "Thanks," said Dave, "that'll help pay for the seeds."

"Fulfill your dreams, live out your fantasies," was the last thing Ella said to me.

What amazed me was the drumming. The speeches at noon by a variety of activists, Adam Brook of NORML, High Times Magazine's Freedom Fighters, The Lone Reefer, WRIF, "Marvin" and others, well, it was cool though the legalize message had been heard before.

After the speakers finished, various drums, bells and sticks beat out a rhythm which nestled into the subconscious. For almost six solid hours, one group pounded out a variation on the same theme. While overhead in

the trees, human squirrels did the most astounding feats, never once falling.

Whether the trances in the trees or on the ground around the drummers were drug or beat inspired, it shouldn't matter. All races drummed and danced in that circle while the peace pipes kissed the sky.

Again I declined.

I saw a series of miracles. A woman with red hair shaking a tambourine would stare into the crowd and concentrate. Never did she fail. When Red made eye contact, she'd grin and glow like a 40 watt bulb.

About 6 p.m., a sizable crowd still loitered. Several pagans made sport by heckling a preacher. That was my cue, I hiked back to my truck.

Say what you will about me or the Bash, then remember the "Free Speech" chant that either protested or protected the preacher.

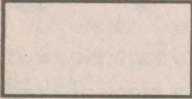
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I am following my dream, and I wish you were there.

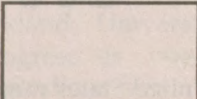


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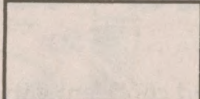
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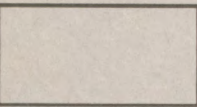
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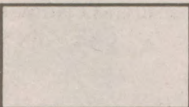
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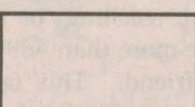
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## Nimble netters nix Northwood

By PATRICIA PASQUE  
Staff Writer

Showing no mercy, the 4-3 OU netters beat Northwood University, 9-0 on March 26.

On this day, Oakland was strong through doubles and singles in taking every point.

It took the play to Northwood instead of the opposite.

It opened action, with OU's number one doubles pair, junior Jennifer Graham and freshman Katie Kennedy being pushed by Northwood into a three set match, (6-7, 6-4, 7-6) after losing the first set in a tie-breaker.

But senior co-captains Angie Delobel and Lisa Bielenda responded with a quick win defeating the Northwomen in straight sets (6-2, 6-1).

Then, although it took three sets to pull it off, senior Diana Riechel and freshman Amy Cook also came away with a victory in their doubles contest (4-6, 6-1, 6-2).

"Our doubles are always up and down," Cook said. "We need to keep them more consistent and be more aggressive."

At this point everything seemed to be going well, as OU singles also went on to win all its matches in straight sets.

Bielenda, though had a tough time in the second set of her match, being pulled into a tie-breaker.

However, it was her experience and knowledge of the game that eventually shined through as she won the breaker 7-4. Her set scores were 6-2, 7-6.

Bielenda, who is enjoying her

last season (because her eligibility has been exhausted), said, "I am happy for the spring season, it prepares you for leaving. You are still playing for competition but not for the GLIAC title."

Delobel, also a co-captain, has had a strong singles season this spring going 5-2. Like Bielenda, Delobel will finish her four years of eligibility this spring. In June, Delobel will become a certified tennis professional. She will be teaching at the nearby Rochester Tennis and Swim Club and also Great Oaks.

DeLobel, upon thinking of finishing her OU career said, "It's sad, I will miss the team aspect. I'm looking forward to the future but I won't be playing as competitively anymore."

## Mental

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was sparked as a child when an older sister took her to the park "to hit some balls around."

"I remember it being challenging and a lot of fun," Cook said.

Apparently that memory served her well for she went on to play as much tennis as she could. Though her parents' funds were limited, Cook managed to take some lessons through local sports clubs and from a math teacher who ran a summer program.

By her freshman year at Holly High School, Cook was playing one doubles.

"I just tried out and found myself in the starting lineup," she said, still amazed at her progress.

As a sophomore she played number four singles, as a junior, number three singles and in her senior year she had graduated to one singles. The Holly

women netters were the Flint area Metro League champs all four years Cook played with them. In her junior year they won the regionals, defeating Grand Blanc and during her senior year they were runners up.

"We went to State both years," Cook said proudly.

Besides tennis, Cook was active in volleyball, softball and another athletic activity she down plays—cheerleading.

"I'm not big on cheerleading. I'd rather play sports," she laughed.

Though Cook hasn't decided upon a major she has a avid interest in the environment and was active in her high school's "Adopt-a-Whale" program. As secretary of Holly High School's environmental club she was glad she had the chance to be part of a program that protected six whales.

Because of that experience Cook feels a career in environmental health sounds "interesting" and "a little bit different."

Going hand-in-hand with that

concern for environmental well-being is Cook's preference for a nice spring day where she can hit a few balls around outdoors.

"I like playing outside if the weather's pretty decent. But if it's windy I don't like it."

That means she might lose control and control of the game is very important to Cook.

"It's so challenging to get that little ball into that little court," she laughed.

"And then you have to hit it hard at the same time. It's something I've always found fun."

**"I just tried out and found myself in the starting lineup."**

**Amy Cook  
Freshman**

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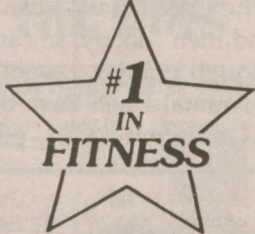
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# Sports

## Pioneer of the Week

**Tim Hellebuyck**  
6-5 Sophomore  
Baseball

Hellebuyck pitched the first complete game of his Oakland career in a 3-2 over Northwood in the first game of Sunday's double-header. Hellebuyck, now 2-1, allowed seven hits, struck out five and walked just one.

## THE PIONEER DIRT BOX

### Baseball-

- Freshman designated hitter Jeff Harwood joined a large group of Pioneers who have a school record two doubles in a game. Harwood joined the group with a pair of two-baggers in the second game of Oakland's doubleheader against Northwood on Sunday.
- Oakland has already swiped 55 bases in just 20 games this season, and has been thrown out just 13 times. Last season the Pioneers only stole 49 bases in 43 games, and was caught 14 times. Junior outfielder Mike Armstrong leads OU with 11 steals in 12 tries, his season-long total from last year.

### Golf-

- Women interested in playing on the women's intercollegiate golf team should contact Director of Athletics Paul Hartman at 370-3196. The women's team will practice this spring and play a competitive schedule beginning next fall.
- The Oakland golf team will open the spring season this Friday and Saturday, April 8-9, at the Malone Invitational in Canton, Ohio. The Pioneers will play in tournaments in five weeks during the spring campaign.

## This week in Pioneer Sports

**Wed. April 6,-** Baseball at Toledo (1), 3 p.m.  
**Fri. April 8,-** Baseball vs. Calvin (1) at Pioneer Field, 4 p.m.  
**-Golf** at Malone Invitational in Canton, Ohio.  
**Fri. April 9,-** Golf at Malone Invitational in Canton, Ohio.  
**Sun. April 10,-** Baseball at Hillsdale College (2), 1 p.m.

-information compiled by Andy Glantzman,  
Sports Information director

# Pioneers hit rut on road to Saginaw

By KEN FILLMORE  
Staff Writer

The baseball team kept its date with reality this weekend when it managed to salvage only one win in five games.

It lost a 9-2 decision to Siena Heights University in Adrian, Mich., both games of a double-header on Saturday at Saginaw Valley State University, 8-1 and 10-2, and split a pair with Northwood University at Pioneer Field, winning the opener, 3-2, before losing the nightcap, 18-8.

In Adrian, freshman right-hander Fritz Coyro started and took the loss as he gave up two runs and three hits, walking a batter in two innings of work. Junior shortstop Ted Allesie had two singles in four at-bats, stole two bases, and drove in a run.

The damage was done in the first three innings of each game against SVSU. The Cardinals scored six of its eight runs in the opener's first three frames before putting all 10 runs on the board in those early stages of the nightcap.

Junior centerfielder Matt Pearson went four for four with a

single, double, and two triples, drove in three runs, scored four times, and stole two bases in the twinbill for the Cardinals.

In the second game, senior Mike Villano homered and doubled in three at-bats, batted in five runs, and scored three to lead SVSU's attack.

Senior right-hander Shayne Mishler gave up a run on four hits in six innings of relief and junior righty Jeff O'Neill scattered two runs, one earned, and seven hits over six innings to earn the victory.

Junior right-hander Jason Edwards and senior righty Ralph Muglia took the losses for OU.

On a chilly Easter afternoon in Rochester against Northwood, junior first baseman Dan Schmitzer rescued the Pioneers (11-9) from withering away a scoring opportunity with a two-out, two-run single in the bottom of the fifth inning for its only win of the weekend.

Sophomore right-hander Tim Hellebuyck overcame a rough fourth frame to send down nine of the last ten Northmen he faced to finalize his complete game vic-

tory. He allowed two runs and seven hits, fanning five and walking one.

"One of the things Tim hasn't been doing this year is using his off-speed pitches effectively to set up his fastball, and he did that real well today," Coach Steve Lyon said.

"I was really happy with the way he finished the seventh inning. He looked strong. You like guys who can go out there in the seventh inning and finish the ball game."

Hellebuyck was high in the strike zone in the fourth as NU had four straight singles which led to two runs and a 2-1 lead.

In the fourth's bottom half, NU starter and loser Rob Hager walked junior catcher Ryan Snodsmith and fell behind junior leftfielder Mike Armstrong three balls and no strikes. But nothing materialized as Hager came back to strike out Armstrong and pick Snodsmith off first base.

OU, which left 15 runners on base against SVSU and 17 on base against NU, had its first two runners on base with nobody out before Schmitzer's heroics.

"I felt like one of those times something is going to happen good. When you're not hitting the ball hard, maybe it's going to find a hole, and that's what happened," Lyon said.

Coyro lost his second game in a week as his trip on the hill was a short one once again as he allowed six runs on five hits, and walked three in two and one-third innings.

Junior left-hander Brian Downs held NU in check until tiring in the sixth, and gave his squad a chance to comeback.

OU cut a 7-0 deficit to a run, but senior third baseman Rich Sanchez and junior left fielder Eric Brandt each had RBI singles, driving in the deciding runs in the sixth inning.

A nine-run seventh inning by NU finished the Pioneers as the Northmen capitalized on four OU errors and numerous mental defensive lapses. Four Oakland pitchers gave up five hits, walked three, and hit two batters. Only one run was earned.

Senior righty Dan Jacoby was credited with the win and sophomore righty Ed Valdez picked up the save.

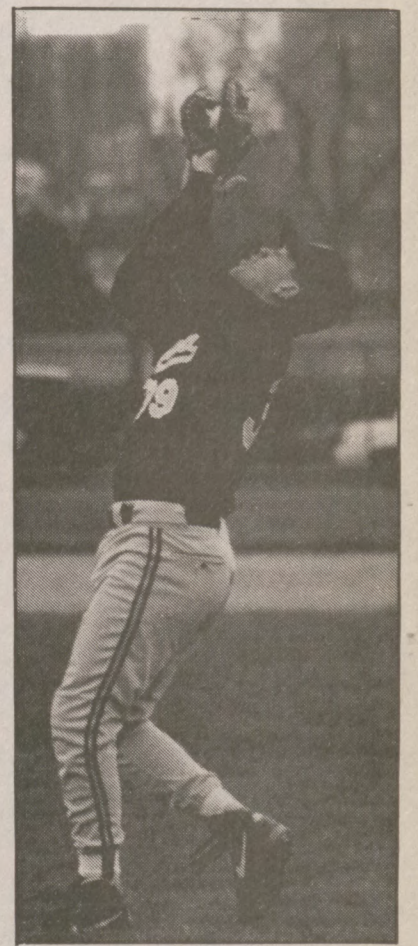


Photo by Bob Knoeka  
Junior Dan Schmitzer

## Golf '94

## DeWulf opens spring with a stacked deck

By ERIC DeMINK  
Sports Editor

Sporting a remarkable 54-4 fall record, the men's golf team is back and primed for a spring season which could see it entertaining the idea of a national bid.

If all things fall in place, of course.

All it need do is finish in the top two in its district and, as Coach Dave DeWulf explained, that certainly isn't out of the realm of possibility.

"We've got the same squad back from the fall," he said, "one which is young, experienced and hungry and those are good combinations."

But the best combination is OU's 1-2-3 punch of sophomore Jeremy Niederstadt, junior Todd Heifner and red-shirt junior Matt Greco.

Heifner was OU's medalist in the District tournament in the fall and although he is seeded second on the Pioneer roster, DeWulf expects him to be the most dominant player on the squad.

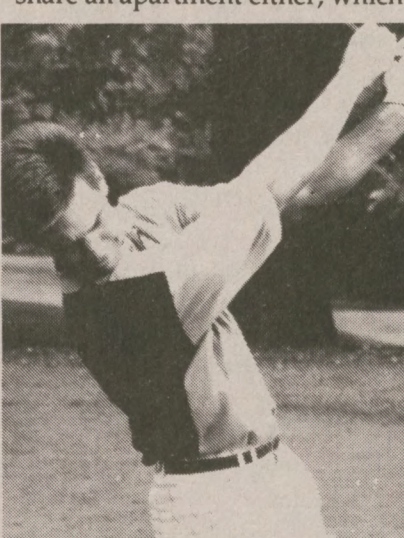
Leading the Pioneers in 1993 with a 75.8 average score (through

eight rounds), Heifner did nothing to tarnish the image.

"Heifner is mentally superior in his game," DeWulf said, "and he is working on his physical game to be a more complete player."

Both Niederstadt (76.3) and Greco (77.9) also hit sub-80 to round out this triple threat.

"It doesn't hurt that these guys share an apartment either, which



The Oakland Post/Clive Savage  
makes for even closer bond for these guys," DeWulf said.

"They feed off each other," DeWulf hopes that some of their

success will rub off on the lower classmen in red-shirt sophomore Kevin Valentine and freshmen Todd Covert and Jason Hicks.

"But it's the captain's responsibility to stay on these guys," he said, "and we will take a seventh man along to each of our tourneys just to eliminate the chance of complacency."

With the success that he's had, DeWulf hasn't let things go to his head. He knows like everyone knows that there is always room for improvement.

That is why the Pioneers spent its off-season hitting balls inside and working on technique with videotape.

"I am trying to get each individual player to be a little bit better than they were in the fall," he said, "and we made some swing changes which I hope will benefit us."

But more than anything DeWulf is impressed with the team's motivation, dedication and enthusiasm.

"Last fall was something for our players to look back on," he said, "and this season they are facing it head on."

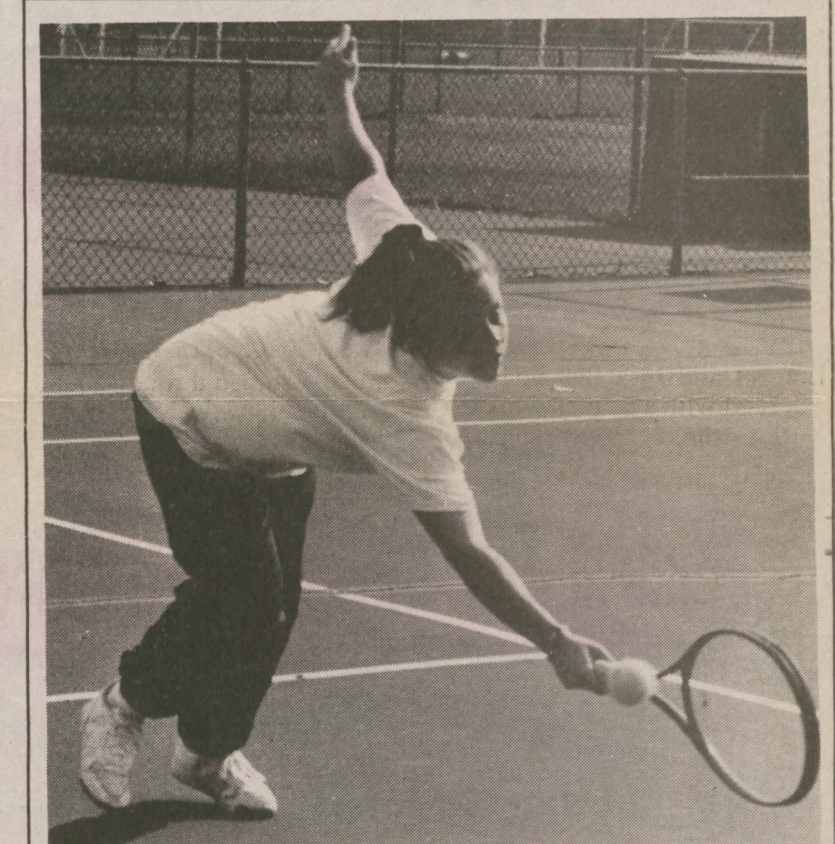


Photo by Bob Knoeka

Freshman Amy Cook shows how to lunge for a backhand shot.

## Cook hopes she can thaw game before guests arrive

By EILEEN OXLEY  
Staff Writer

Freshman Amy Cook doesn't see herself as a sports standout.

Actually the 18-year-old tennis player doesn't see any of the other women netters that way either.

But that's what Cook feels makes the Pioneers one of the strongest women's tennis teams OU has had in a long time.

"No one's outstanding. We all have our individual things. We could all play with each other—The (number) three singles could probably beat the (number) one singles. The thing is everyone's good and no one's a standout," Cook said.

Currently Cook plays number two doubles and four singles but prefers being the lone woman on her side of the net.

"In singles, especially, I like being responsible for my own outcome of the game. In singles you have total control of the ball. It's a big mental game too; you have to be in good condition all around."

"You have to worry about where you're going to put the ball and where the other person is on the court. It's a lot of strat-

egy," Cook said.

Although she loves the game and its challenges, this hasn't been a very good season for Cook who was ill the whole week before spring break. She says she's been "a head case" on court and has been having problems recuperating which has caused her to "freeze up" in her playing.

"But I'm getting back into it now," she said confidently.

Cook feels she'll have no problems the rest of the season. The last match is April 23, a quad tournament with Grand Rapids' Aquinas College.

The 1993 Holly High School graduate caught the eye of Pioneers coach Kris Jeffrey while she was scouting for new talent last year.

"I read about her in the newspaper in her senior year, bits and blurbs about Holly (High School) and her record. I went to watch Amy at the Class A State Meets and she impressed me. I liked the way she played and her energy on court," Jeffrey said.

Cook chose OU over several other interested schools because it offered "the most money" through a partial scholarship.

Her initial interest in tennis

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## Mediocrity does have its benefits

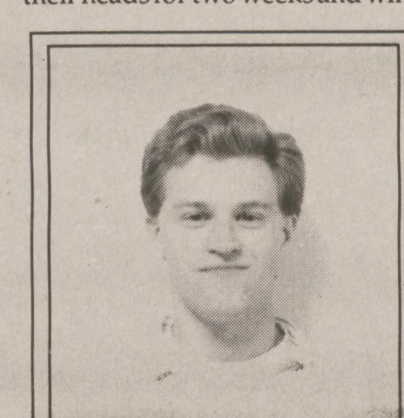
The Tiger's opening day has come and even though they made an improbable run last year, expectations are still small. Monday's opening day for the Tigers was a disappointing one-run loss to Boston.

But after disappointing seasons by the Lions and the Pistons, and the Red Wings destined to lose in the second round of the playoffs, the Tigers don't have much to inspire us to believe they can win their first division title in seven years. But with the new fangled playoff make-up, with every team making it except double "A" teams they just might get into a wild-card spot.

Although Major League Baseball will probably rake in the bucks from the expanded playoffs, baseball will lose much of its mystique. The 162 games played in the regular season won't have as much meaning because only four teams would have a shot after the regular season was over. But now more

teams will make the post-season than will not.

This leaves the six months of day-to-day battles, their significance severely weakened in importance. Baseball has the chance of turning into basketball or worse hockey, where a team can play barely poorly all season, sneak into the playoffs and then play over their heads for two weeks and win



Don HONSTAIN

a championship.

The days of Bobby Thomson's "shot heard 'round the world," or the Tigers '87 comeback of three games in four days are gone.

Now, the heroics will come with eight and ninth place teams fighting for that last spot or for the less important home field advantage (unless you're Minnesota). With so many more games it won't be possible to watch all the games and if your team is playing there's the chance the networks will play another game.

There is a benefit, though. More teams. So it'll be more likely your team will give you more of a chance to see live playoff baseball and give an underdog the chance for to topple a team of highly paid free-agents.

It may bring in more money for the game but it will only weaken the luster of the game and make the long season a glorified spring training for the real season—the playoffs.



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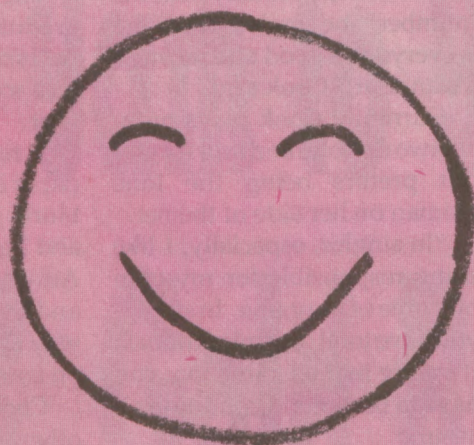
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## SPRING BUDGET

### Oakland University Student Congress Proposed Budget SPRING 1994 Semester

#### Revenue:

Fees for Spring 1994	4000*7.50	\$30,000	
Projected surplus		35,076	
Total Revenue			65,076

#### Student Fee Distribution:

Student Program Board	4000*1.50	6,000	
Student Activities Board	4000*1.50	6,000	
WOUX	4000*.60	2,400	
Oakland Post	4000*.45	1,800	
Performing Arts Board	4000*.45	1,800	
Forensics	4000*.375	1,500	19,500
			45,576

#### University Congress Operations:

Services, Supplies and Phone	1,200		
Office and Machine Maintenance	200		
Labor	3,000		4,400
			41,176

#### University Congress Operations:

Student Services	4,000		
Legislative Affairs	500		
Discretionary	1,000		
Public Relations	1,000		6,500
			34,676

#### Congress Appropriations:

Student Life Lecture Board	3,000		
Oakland University Homecoming	5,000		8,000
			26,676

Required Minimum Balance In Master Account 10,000

Total Unbudgeted Funds \$16,676