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Enrollment gains 1.2 percent

By JENNIFER J. DECKER ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

U's enrollment continued to climb at a slower rate than university officials hoped for with a 1.2 percent increase to 16,059 students enrolled over last year's fall figure of 15,875.

Vice President for Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder said the enrollment figure helps move the campus ahead to its goal of 20,000 students

The additional students will also mean more money for the university.

"As enrollment grows, the pool of tuition and fee money grows," Snyder said. "I think it's important for

growth during state budget cutbacks. "For OU, growth in the last decade has been very good. The university has generated more revenue that wouldn't have been there otherwise. We've been pleased in retention rates. Annually, she expects enrollment to

Students are staying here and not dropping out," she said.

As a current breakdown, OU has 12,634 undergraduate and 3,425 graduate students.

Of those, 1,868 are new freshman and 1,205 are transfer students. Laura Schartman, Director of Institutional Research and Assessment, said this year's growth was a fairly modest increase.

grow between 2 percent to 3 percent. "We're clearly on a growth trend," Schartman said. "There's a sense of energy with new buildings, creating new majors and improvements."

Fall and winter counts are done on the 15th day of classes.

Snyder said the additional funding will aid new program development, financial aid and freshman orientation. Most importantly, she said the additional funding will help secure

quality faculty for the university. Sophomore Rick Meech said he thinks the growth can be attributed to OU's improving reputation.

"It says a lot for the school," he said. "Obviously, there's a reason more people are coming to this school now. It's considered a good school.'

Students, faculty attend anti-war demonstration

By Josie Randazzo & RACHEL RYBICKI THE OAKLAND POST

The rhetoric ranged from reflective to raucous but the issue remained the same - whether or not the U.S. should engage in military activity against Iraq and Saddam Hussein.

What began as a protest opposing the potential war against Iraq became a platform for debate and discussion by students and faculty members alike. Sponsored by the Catholic Student Association, the Campus Greens, the Muslim Student Association and Students for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, the dissent took place last Wednesday at the west entrance of the Oakland Center.

John Simecek, Rhetoric special lecturer, gave the opening remarks.

"The Bush administration is in direct violation of the U.N. Charter and our own United States Constitution," said Simecek. "As Bush goes in to finish Daddy's (former President George Bush, Sr.) war ... (this is) genocide for oil. We have to stop this war.'

Bretton Jones, junior, agreed with Simecek's assessment that the war is

"It's about going in and getting cheap oil," said Jones. "There is a difference between national defense and economically motivated military adventurism."

ocek said he feels that Bush is wrong in declaring war in the name of

"When that blood is shed ... that blood is on my hands ... that blood is on your hands," he said.

Not all attendees agreed with Simecek.

Christopher Markham, freshman, supports Bush's position of attacking Iraq. Markham posed questions to the panel of speakers regarding Hussein's possession of weapons of mass destruc-

Elliott Stevens, junior, responded to Markham's questions.

"Saddam Hussein does not have the technology to deliver weapons to the continental United States," said Stevens. "Who we are really worried



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veral students and faculty gather between the Oakland Center and North Foundation Hall Wednesday to protest the U.S. taking military action against Iraq.

about is Israel ... we're not looking out for our own interests."

Markham, who joined the Army Reserves after Sept. 11, 2001, echoed Stevens' stance on weapons technology.

"I'm sure on 9/11, if they could have figured out a way to get nuclear weapons into the Twin Towers, they would have done so," said Markham. "The sole purpose was to destroy .. what they thought were the vital

organs of our nation." However, Markham questioned the protesters introduction of the Israeli/Palestinian conflict into the con-

troversy. "Those protesters are saying, We need to stop butting our heads in other countries affairs," he said. "In the next breath they're saying, 'By the way, Israel get out of Palestine.' Isn't that getting involved in other people's busi-

Markham also responded to Simecek's statements about U.S. carpet bombing by adding, "By supporting Palestinians, they are supporting people that deliberately target innocent civilians. The 1967 Palestinian Charter calls for the elimination of the Jewish

Sumeera Younis, sophomore, balanced the difference in opinion.

"You don't have to love Israel, you don't have to agree with what they're doing, but do you approve of the killing of innocent people?" she asked. Younis also addressed the lack of awareness among students.

"I know a lot of you guys are here for a class, and you ask, 'Why are we here?" We're not here to tell you how to think. We are here to tell you that you should be thinking ... a problem we are facing in the United States is that we have thousands upon millions of people who are sleeping, "she said.

After Sept. 11, Younis said that ignorance is no longer an excuse.

"If you want a sure fire way of Sept. 11 happening again, keep sleeping, Younis said. "If you did nothing, then you supported it. There is no reason for

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MBH director abruptly resigns

By JENNIFER J. DECKER ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Lisa Baylis Ashby abruptly resigned from her position as Executive Director of Meadow Brook Hall Sept. 9 after six years in that position. No official reason for her departure was given, but sources say her resignation was related to MBH budget problems.

At today's Board of Trustees meeting, MBH's budget will be under

Sally Victor, fund-raising coordinator at MBH, was appointed interim director in Ashby's absence.

Ashby was formerly affiliated with the Minneapolis Museum of Art and the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles. She will continue to teach AH 380, Museum Studies in Art History, which meets on site at

Vice President for University

Relations Susan Davies Goepp oversees MBH and expects a formal search for a permanent director to start within the next month.

"We are very grateful to her for continuing with this course under the circumstances," Art and Art History Department Chair Susan Wood said.

Wood said Ashby played a vital roll in helping to strengthen OU's academics.

Ashby has taught AH 380, offering students hands-on experience with museum work. She has advised independent research projects and has promoted lectures and student scholarships.

Wood added she is concerned about how Ashby's resignation will affect the Art and Art History Department.

"Our department has had an extremely productive partnership Please see ASHBY on A8

AAUP meets today

By JENNIFER J. DECKER ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Faculty members can expect contention today at the American Association of University Professors meeting at 4 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

The meeting, which will include a welcome period for recent hires, will include the formal introduction of the faculty bargaining team approved by the AAUP's executive board.

The proposed team consists of Sean Moran, associate professor of history, Kevin Grimm, associate professor of English, Mark Severson, associate professor of chemistry and Sandra Pelfry, associate professor of economics.

Nominations for elections, also called slates, will be forthcoming from the floor for the faculty vote by mail in upcoming

"We open it up and give faculty the chance to nominate alternative slates, Scott Barns, executive director of AAUP, said. "Our team will take direction from membership.'

Liz Barclay, professor of management and business administration said an alternate slate headed by Mike Latcha, associate professor of engineering is scheduled to be nominated.

Latcha said he'll co-chair the alternate slate with Ron Horwitz, professor of finance. Sitaramaya Ari, professor of biology, and Darlene Schott-Baer, associate professor of nursing will round-out the proposed slate.

Horwitz headed the bargaining team for the last contract that settled in late June, a full month and a half before the contract

"We (alternate slate) have no agenda going in," Latcha said.

AAUP will negotiate a three-year contract. The current contract expires Aug.

Barns said he expects the main faculty executive committee contract concerns to be salary compression, salary and health benefit issues.

Also at today's meeting, new faculty will be introduced by department chairs. Reports will be presented on 2002 Michigan higher education settlements, AAUP's summer workshop and Health Benefits Council progress

Congress watchdogs E-board trip

By GAYLE ISSA Managing Editor

The Sept. 30 OU Student Congress meeting was largely devoted to extensive discussion about the methods by which the Executive Board could be held accountable during its annual trip to the National Conference on Student Services (NCSS).

Members of the legislature and the Eboard debated for nearly 30 minutes about specifics of record keeping for the upcoming trip to Florida in November.

Members of the E-board are extended an invitation to attend the conference but members of the legislature are not. Several legislators suggested the atten-

dees write a report so that lessons learned can be passed on to future administrations. Legislator Jeffrey Galecki, senior, made

the initial challenge. He emphasized it was not made in an effort to suggest that the Eboard is "scamming" the legislators. "This is not supposed to be an eighth

grade writing assignment," he said. OUSC Vice President Michelle Jamian suggested that this was not necessary because the workshops pertained only to

their specific positions. Student Services Director Sumeera Younis, sophomore, suggested making a presentation instead of a written report. She referenced the fact that reports have gone unread in the past.

A friendly amendment summing the general sentiment of the legislators was made by legislator Jeremy Kop, junior. Financial Affairs Director Jim Gammicchia, junior, agreed to the amendment. It states that within two weeks of returning from the NCSS, attendees from the E-board need to provide a written report and make a presentation of "good quality" highlighting the benefits of going on the trip. The budget passed unanimously.

Jean Ann Miller, Director of the Center for Student Activities and Leadership Development and an OUSC adviser, said the legislators were very thorough.

"I was surprised at how mindful they are of large expenditures and whether they're getting their money's worth or not. They are making them very accountable.

She added this might be an indication they are dissatisfied with past experience Student Activities Funding Board (SAFB) chairperson Carolyn Stuehmer said she agreed with the legislators. However, she added that the attendees should bring back "whatever they feel is necessary to convey."

During the meeting Stuehmer requested that the second reading of the SAFB guidelines be postponed until the Oct. 7 meeting. "We are still hashing them (the guidelines) out," she said.

During the Sept. 23 meeting, Stuehmer said, "it is not our job to baby-sit organizations and make sure they're fiscally respon-

The SAFB is responsible for allocating the 21 percent activity fee money to student organizations requesting funding. Another speaker spurring negotiations

during the Sept. 23 meeting was Richard Fekel, director of the Oakland Center. A focal point of Fekel's presentation cen-

tered on the canopy stretching from South to North Foundation Hall. With a remodeled and expanded OC, Fekel said the OC would need more "visibility" from Meadow Brook Road. He proposed tearing down

Rhonda Hanna, student liaison to the Board of Trustees, echoed Fekel and said it was important that the new OC fishbowl could be seen from the front of campus. OUSC was undecided on this issue and raised some concerns, which Hanna will present at the Oct. 2 BOT meeting.

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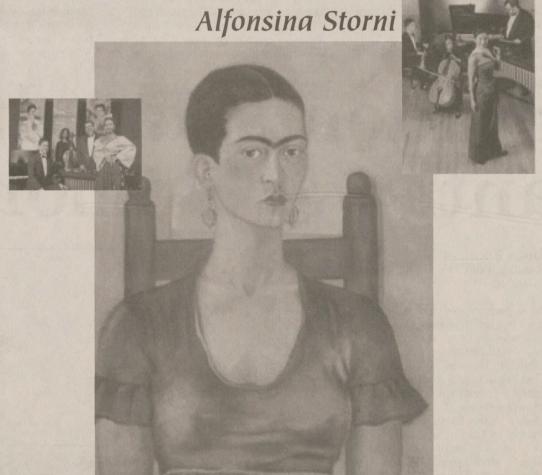
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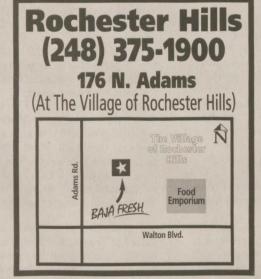
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Campus News

Champs invade

WOCOU honors leaders on campus

BY AMY KNAPP SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

his year's Week of Champions at OU (WOCOU) theme is 'Do you have it?,' but in order to find out what 'it' is, students have to go to WOCOU events.

The Center for Student Activities (CSA), along with

"WOCOU is a

celebration of

champions."

Jean Ann Miller

Student Activites

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Director, Center for

several other sponsors, is holding its second annual WOCOU Oct. 7-11.

the fact that The week's events kick off at OU has lots of noon next Monday in the Fireside Lounge of the Oakland Center.

"WOCOU is a celebration of the fact that OU has lots of champions. They can be

student leaders, athletes, distinguished people in their field or noted alumni," said Jean Ann Miller, CSA director.

According to Miller, celebrations throughout the week will honor these different champions. The week will conclude with Midnight Madness, the official beginning to the basketball season, at 11 p.m. Fri., Oct. 11 in the O'Rena. Saturday marks the day teams can start practicing together, according to NCAA rules.

The concentration (of Midnight Madness) is on the two basketball teams but it is really a kick off for the whole

athletic season," said Miller. According to Miller, WOCOU was successful last year with 1,500 people attending Midnight Madness alone. But CSA and other sponsors like the Student Program Board (SPB) are trying to make it bigger and better each year.

"We threw out teasers over the summer and during wel-

come week to whet people's appetites,' Miller said.

Miller added. some new events include a laser light show during Midnight Madness and a student vs. faculty basketball

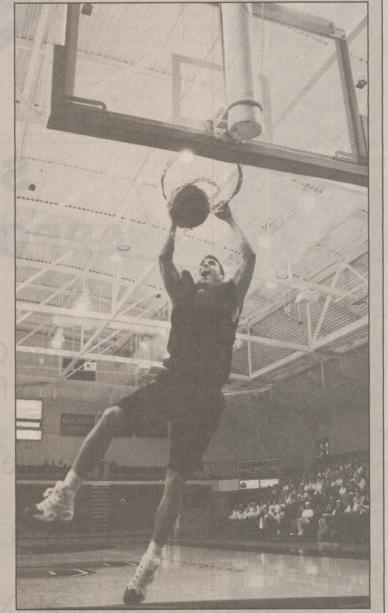
game. This year's honorary chairperson is OU alum, former Days' of Our Lives soap opera star and jazz musician Steve

Blackwood.

Blackwood, winner of the 2001 Alfred Wilson Award, will be on campus for part of the week, performing at Midnight Madness, the Association of Black Students (ABS) and SPB Talent Show and speaking in the Fireside Lounge.

WOCOU will be packed full of events for students, faculty, staff and their families. Most events are free.

All week there will be giveaways like T-shirts and food, but also from the Office of the President, two winter semester tuition scholarships at Midnight Madness.



Midnight Madness kicks off OU's basketball season.

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New majors give options

By PAM AVOLEDO SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Students still deciding a major now have

two more to consider. Majors in the Financial Information Systems (FIS) and Wellness, Health Promotion, and Injury Prevention majors are now available. OU is the only university in the area to offer these programs.

FIS teaches students how to develop financial systems and focuses on the designing of reports to pull data, said Dr. Arline Savage, assistant professor of accounting and

finance. "FIS is a modernization of the old accounting system," Dr. Louis Esposito, professor of economics, said, "It's an evolutionary program. It includes new skills that accountants

It was an "uphill battle" to have the major added, said Savage. It took six years for the program to be instituted. The lack of technology delayed the program launch. However, faculty were finding that students who had graduated were not equipped with enough

"You can't go into business without having financial systems," said Savage, "We (the faculty involved in implementing the new major) think the accounting students don't have enough background in the systems. Accounting students should have more knowledge than they already have."

According to Savage, the major courses cover an introduction to FIS, its databases, analysis and design. Accounting students can double major in FIS. Careers available in the field include systems analysts, IT (Information Technology) auditors and inter-

nal systems developers.

Savage will be teaching the classes in the

Elliott Hall computer labs. Sarah Phillips, junior, thinks it's an excel-

"Especially with the recent financial uproar, at least a basic knowledge of the types of technology will build a better foundation for future auditors and financial persons. Auditors will, hopefully, be able to detect where fraudulent reporting and such could be masked with the use of IT in order to further investigate those matters."

She also thinks that with a better understanding of IT, auditors and management will not able to cheat each other.

Savage will address the issue of corporate deceit and prevention in Accounting 480 -Fraud Prevention, which will be offered in Please see MAJORS on A8

Ball brings Egypt to MBH

By ADAM DEMENIUK SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Meadow Brook Hall is giving students a

second chance at prom. OU will be holding its annual Meadow Brook Fall Ball Friday, Oct.18 with an

Egyptian Allure theme. The ball started in the early 1970s and

was held in the winter. "When I went to school here, there used to be a lottery to go to the ball because there were so many students that wanted to go," said Jean Ann Miller, CSA director and Meadow Brook Ball committee advisor. According to Miller, in the 1970s there was only one ball per year, which held up to 500 people. Now there's one in the fall and one in

the winter with each catering to 300 guests. According to Miller, activities will include dancing, tours of the mansion, henna art and possibly palm-reading psychics.

Kathy Johnson, junior, said, "It sounds really good if you're involved in a student organization, or if you

just want to get out and have a good time." According to Miller, there will also be Egyptian themed contests. Students will have a chance to win a dents should come." 14 karat gold necklace called a cartouche. This necklace has Egyptian hieroglyphics in its form. Students will be able to express

their creativity by building and decorating pyramids and the best one will win a prize. Co-president of the Meadow Brook Ball Committee, Beth Saveski, said the ball is

open to all students from any class level. "We've put a lot of work into it. It's going to be a very fun evening and students should

come," Saveski said. The Ball is a formal event. Men are required to wear tuxedos or suits and women, evening gowns or cocktail dresses. Tickets can be purchased at the CSA window.

Tickets are \$40 per couple and \$20 for a single ticket. The cost covers food, beverages and entertainment for the evening.

"It's an activity everyone should go to at least once while they're at OU. It's an opportunity to get dressed up and have a night out," Miller said.



Mariachi band Nuevo Zapopan performs during the Hispanic Celebration's opening events.

Hispanic heritage honored

By JIM KAISER SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The annual Hispanic Celebration is in full swing with

lots of upcoming events. "We've been very happy to see that we've had more turnout this year for the first event than in the past," said J.P. Spicer-Escalante, an associate professor

of Spanish. "I was amazed this year because there was so many people there," Jean Ann Miller, CSA director said. "I love the opening and closing events.

Miller believes that events such as this are a great asset to the OU because they "reflect the OU community," and give students, "a better appreciation of who their peers and faculty are.'

"The events for this year are all new," said Maria Spicer-Escalante, an assistant Spanish professor and Spicer-Escalante's wife. She hopes it will spark the interest of the attendees.

"I think that it's good to make the students feel curious about something else," she said.

Hispanic Diversity Night will be at 7 p.m. Oct 15 in the Vandenberg Dining Hall.

'We're going to have different tables representing different countries, and we're trying to

get food from different countries, so we can have some notion of diversity of the Hispanic world," said Spicer-Escalante.

The celebration will include Hispanic storytelling, art and cyber café at 5:30 p.m. Oct.15 in the Educational Resource Laboratory of the Education and Human Services Building. The celebration's featured event is a musical by the CORE Ensemble, "Tres Vidas," which will be at 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Oct 16 in the Varner Recital Hall.

"We welcome all students, faculty and staff, and local community to attend the events," said Spicer-Escalante who also stressed that one of his goals is "taking the activities to the pub-

"I have a real passion for other cultures," said Kristen Baker, senior. She likes the Hispanic Celebration because it helps "people get out of their shells,

and to get into the diversity of the culture.'

According to Spicer-Escalante the celebration is a great way to expose people to a culture that they may not know too much about. "I think that this celebration is an extension of who we are, and it shows who we are," he said.

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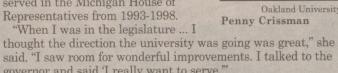
BOT Spotlight

By Ann Zaniewski EDITOR IN CHIEF

Today's Board of Trustees meeting is Penny Crissman's first as vice-chair. A lifelong Rochester resident, Crissman is active in politics and civic organizations.

She served on Rochester City Council from 1985-1993, spending four

of those years as mayor. She also served in the Michigan House of Representatives from 1993-1998. "When I was in the legislature ... I



said. "I saw room for wonderful improvements. I talked to the governor and said 'I really want to serve." A trustee since 1999, Crissman said her biggest challenge as

a board member is "trying to keep everyone happy." She watched OU grow tremendously in the past few years and expects that growth to continue. One of her goals is to

expand undergraduate course offerings. "I see Oakland University as being one of the top universities that students want to attend," she said.

"It's (OU) always been a source of pride in this area," she said. "I always believed it was a jewel in Oakland County." Crissman is currently the Director of Government Relations at Crittenton Hospital and is involved with promoting breast cancer awareness. She fought two battles with the disease and

urges women to perform regular self-exams.

Crissman and her husband, Charles, have two adult children and four grandchildren. She refers to them as "the sunshine of

CRIME WATCH

·An 18-year-old student attempted to put out a mattress fire by using a plastic cup to throw water on it in a second floor Hamlin Hall furniture storage area last Saturday. Four smoke detectors failed to activate. The fire remains under

investigation. · A 19-year-old student reported an altercation with her exboyfriend and his friend Sunday. The woman reportedly fell to the ground and was slapped in the face. The men were leaving the parking lot in their vehicle when the woman poured pop on their car to get them to stop. The vehicle allegedly swerved at her and she stepped onto the sidewalk to avoid being hit. The woman chose not to press charges.

ALEXANDER SERVE LEGISTA

· A 33-year-old visitor said he parked his 2002 Toyota Camry in the P-16 lot last Tuesday. When he returned to his vehicle, his Dell laptop computer valued at \$2,200, a Sony digital camera valued at \$420 and one \$50 briefcase were missing. There were no signs of forced entry. The man doesn't remember if he locked his

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Meadow Brook Fall Committee

Beth Saveski

Co-President

· A 19-year-old student was ticketed in the Rec Center last Friday by OUPD after she was seen being helped up a flight of stairs by two other students. Officers said her preliminary breath test showed a blood/alcohol level of 0.159. She was ticketed for being a minor in possession of alcohol.

·A 20-year-old student was

reported to be in the wrong Hamlin Hall room and disoriented Monday. He spilled food and urinated on himself. A preliminary blood/alcohol level was administered and registered 0.160. OUPD discovered three empty liquor bottles and various empty prescription drug and over-the-counter bottles. EMS transported the man to Pontiac

· A 26-year-old U-M student was arrested last Thursday then ticketed for assault and battery walk near South Foundation

Osteopathic Hospital.

by OUPD officers for fighting with another man on the side-Hall. The complainant, who had his nose bloodied, originally reported he punched himself in the nose.



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Site to promote voting

ADAM L. NEAL LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

Toting can be as easy as connecting a line, punching a hole in a card or pulling a lever on a machine. However, knowing where to go to vote, when to vote and how candidates feel on each issue can be more difficult.

The Secretary of State is trying to alleviate confusion by creating the Michigan Secretary of State Publius Voter Information

www.michigan.gov/sos. The Center is an online resource for citizens to link to candidates' web sites to see their

take on issues.

Not only can citizens see the different web sites, but they can also see if they are registered to vote, where they go to vote, what other proposals are on the ballot

both locally and statewide, a demonstration on how to use the equipment at the voting booth, a calendar of events leading up to the actual voting date and more.

"In any election there are always instances when voters go to the wrong polling places or assume they were registered to vote in one jurisdiction or precinct when they were actually registered in another,' Candice Miller, Secretary of

State and Michigan's chief election officer, said in a press release. "The Voter Information Center cuts through the confusion by providing voters immediate access to the information they need, including their voter registration status and location

of their polling place It is the first state-sponsored site of its type in the nation, to provide voters with comprehensive voter- and election-related

information, said Elizabeth Boyd, communications director for the Secretary of State.

"We were constantly looking for ways to use technology with voting," she said. "We looked to see how we can make it better."

Citizens could always find out information about voting through the Secretary of State's office, but using the Voter Information Center allows 24

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Car-deer crashes increase

CASEY CURTIS SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Rochester Hills motorists better be more alert behind the wheel this fall. The problem is not

According to the Michigan Deer Crash Coalition (MDCC), as of 2001, Rochester Hills was the highest-ranked city in Oakland County with a staggering rate of 158 reported collisions with deer.

Oakland County ranked fifth out of 83 counties in deer crashes with 1,633 collisions, five less than in

Macomb and St. Clair counties were behind Oakland with a total of 624 and 885 total deer crashes in 2001.

"Michigan's car-deer crash totals have leveled out over the years," said Richard Miller, coalition chairman of AAA Michigan. "But the results of these crashes cause millions of dollars in damage each

According to the MDCC, car-deer crashes result in

State police

tips to avoid

deer crashes

•Be alert in the fall and

Stay aware, awake

Heed deer crossing

and speed limit signs.

•Be alert for deer, espe-

cially at dawn or dusk.

•Don't rely on gim-

micks, flashing your

high-beam headlights

or honking your horn

to deter deer.

and sober.

an estimated \$130 million in auto repair expenses annually in Michigan alone. The average cost of damage from deer per vehicle is around

\$2,000. Anastasia Stanecki, junior, had in encounter with a

deer before. "When the deer hit me, it was so loud and so powerful," she said. "The damage done to my car wasn't that bad, so I never really had to get it fixed.

Contributing to the problem of deer coming into contact with people is urban growth spreading into deer habitat and

that a swelling deer population forces them into smaller areas, Miller said.

"Thirty years ago the total population of deer in Michigan was 70,000. Now, it's close to 700,000

Although there is work being done to help lower the deaths and injuries, the number keeps rising. According to the MDCC, 11 Michigan motorists were killed and 2,109 persons were injured in 2001.

There were only eight deaths the prior year. According to the Michigan State Police, people aren't seriously injured just by hitting a deer. Most serious injuries occur when drivers swerve to avoid

a crash and end up hitting something else. "Motorists need to be careful, whether they are driving in Detroit's suburbs or in northern

Michigan's woods," Miller said. Melissa Smith, sophomore, believes the Michigan government could do more about helping to avoid these crashes.

"They should probably promote how to avoid deer-

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Suzie Gallo/The Oakland Post

Garry Pullins (right) talks to parents about the Mentors Plus program at a picnic last Saturday.

Mentor program to

CASEY CURTIS SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Twenty-nine years ago, Garry Pullins began working in a field that would give juvenile offenders a second chance to make their lives better through Oakland County Youth Assistance (OCYA).

For the past two years he has extended his volunteerism to the Mentors Plus program.

"We needed a program that would better serve Oakland County," said Pullins, volunteer coordinator at

Mentors Plus. The OCYA started a program called People Listening, Understanding and Sharing (PLUS) for Oakland County youth. Later, it

added mentors to the program

The program is a branch of the Oakland County Circuit Court's family division and caters to different forms of juvenile offenders. Although the program wants more involvement, it cannot force kids to join. In most cases, there must be parental

Pullins and Candy Hlivka, another volunteer, dedicate their time recruiting, screening and training

"I've seen nothing but good things come out of this mentoring program," said Hlivka.

Mentors have two areas in which they can help in a Prevention and Intervention program.

The prevention program handles non-serious offenders ranging in age from 6-14 years old.

"These children usually live at home with their parents or another relative," said Pullins.

The more serious offenders, between 13-17 years old, are part of the Mentors and Intervention program. The children are repeat offenders. They might live at home, but most often they live at a camp like Crossroads Village in Oxford.

Mentors focus one-to-one with the youth. The key goal is to be there for the child and to help them stay away from negative environment.

Some students seem to think it is a good idea.

"It's a good solution because they can focus attention on something more positive," said Kelly DuBois,

To become a mentor, an individual must fill out an application form, have three references, sign a release

form for background checks and attend a personal interview. Monthly orientations must also be attended at the Oakland County Courthouse. Scott Irey, junior, feels a program

that outreaches to children in need of a helping hand could not get any better than this one.

"It really makes me appreciate the people who take time out of their busy life to help these kids," he said. "It makes me feel like there still is good left in the world."

The program is in special need of adult men, especially minorities, to mentor the vounger boys.

"We have a lot more younger boys than girls," said Pullins. "We have a lot of adult women to match up with the younger girls, but not enough adult men to match up with the

As for the benefits of this program, Pullins has only one thing to say. "There is no other program that has such a potential in helping the youth than this program."

Anyone interested in becoming a mentor or learning more, can call the Oakland County Youth Assistance office at (248) 858-0041.

GLOBAL GLANCE

· Hurricane Lili hit the Cayman Islands in the Caribbean on Monday. Lili may become a major Category Three force before hitting the U.S. shorelines in Texas and Louisiana by Thursday. On Monday, Lili was reclassified from a tropical storm to a Category One hurricane after it reached wind speeds of 85 mph.

· A federal judge in Alexandria, Va. granted a six-month delay in the trial start of the accused Sept. 11 conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui, the second delay of this trial. The trial will begin in June. Moussaoui and his lawyers argued the defense team could not properly examine all the related documents before the trial's original start date.

• The White House continues trying to convince U.S. allies to support the new Iraqi inspection plan and implement a tougher U.N. resolution. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld insisted Saddam Hussein cannot be trusted since recently he attempted to shoot down allied aircraft, a violation of U.N. agreements. Ari Fleischer, White House press secretary, said Iraq indicated in a Sept. 16 letter it would allow the unconditional return of weapons inspectors but since then has tried to shoot down coalition aircraft 67 times with 14 attempts last weekend.

·By 2010 the number of people infected with the HIV virus in Russia, India, China, Ethiopia and Nigeria could more than triple. That would exceed the current infected for central and southern Africa. Together the five countries comprise 40 percent of the world's population. These countries currently have between 14 and 23 million infected people. By the end of the decade the number could be between 50 and 70 million, according to a CIA report. In Africa between 25 and 27 million are infected with HIV in central and southern Africa, which is expected to rise to between 30 and 35 million in the next eight

• The focus on the Middle East violence between Israelis and Palestinians is currently centered on the lives of the children involved since 72 children have been killed during the attacks. According to a recent report by Amnesty International, both Palestinian and Israeli children have died in greater numbers over the last two years. More than 250 Palestinian children have been killed by the Israel Defense Forces.

• The West Nile Virus death count has risen to 117 this year, 16 in Michigan, according to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). The CDC said 2,405 people in the U.S. have been diagnosed with the mosquito born virus, 314 in Michigan. The CDC is also investigating the possibility of traces of the virus in breast milk. Federal health officials are advising infected mothers not to breast-feed.

Global

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·Incumbent Senator Robert Torricelli, D-N.J. announced Monday he was dropping his bid for re-election five weeks before the midterm elections. This may have an impact on the Democrats' effort to maintain control of the Senate because the Republicans need only one more GOP senator to regain control of the Senate. Do you think the Democrats will lose control of the Senate?

-Compiled By Gayle Issa Managing Editor

> Sources found in various news stories

Dialing 211 will give local information

By SANDARELLA BATRES SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Residents and visitors in Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties will be provided with quick and free access to health and human service information by simply dialing 211.

"This easily recognizable number provides individuals with services from basic human needs as shelter, food and clothing to disability assistance," Nancy Lindman, 211 implementation coordinator of Michigan, said.

People search everyday for emergency financial assistance, food and shelter. Looking for assistance usually means pulling out the yellow pages, finding a dozen numbers and then calling each one and finding the best agency according to the 211 web

The site also reported individuals in crisis, seniors, persons with disabilities, non-English speaking and illiterate individuals might find it difficult to perform self-referral by phone direc-

211 is a free service that is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week and does all of the work, Lindman said.

The Federal Communications Commission designated 211 as the nationwide number for social services in 2000.

This number provides assistance and referrals to persons with problems involving employment preparation, vocational rehabilitation, medical care, substance abuse assistance, alcohol prevention/treatment, crisis intervention, dental care, housing, utility shut-off, and many other services. Once 211 is implemented in a

community, a person who calls will be connected to a specialist who can access the caller's needs and connect him or her with the appropriate community pro-

The Volunteer Center of Battle Creek, under contract with United Way of Greater Battle Creek, set up the first 211 line in Michigan in August. Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo will soon be setting up the line. It took

four years of extraordinary effort to open this line up, Lindman

Unfortunately for Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties, a 211 line will not be implemented until the first quarter of 2004, said Lindman.

Research management is constantly scanning the environment, getting surveys and up-todate information for callers.

"Call centers make a deliberate effort of constantly updating

Please see 211 on A8

Perspectives

Editorial

For the health of it

Health is often put on the back burner during the college years. Personal health is dropped further down the priority list in order to cope with the pressures of juggling jobs and studying for classes.

But compromising health is ultimately counter-productive. In the thick of due dates, midterms and finals, it is vital that students' physical and emotional health is in top-notch condition.

Graham Health Center is a valuable resource at OU students' fingertips. Students are notorious for not purchasing health insurance.

According to U.S. Census data, the 18 to 24-year old group is the most likely to not have health insurance as compared to any other age group. One in three are not covered today.

A problem many students 18 or older who are not enrolled full time face is not being eligible for coverage on their parents' insurance.

College students may think they're invincible, but illness knows no age limit. Insurance is a student's only safeguard against extreme financial difficulty in the event of a medical or health-related problem. Enrolled students can buy a plan from GHC at the price of \$796 for

one year. They can also buy coverage for their spouses and children. GHC offers a comprehensive collection of health care services. Students can buy prescription medication at discounted prices. Getting those immunizations, flu shots, nutritional tips and physical exams

will alleviate stress, giving students one less thing to worry about. Nearly every month in the U.S. is dedicated to awareness of at least one health-related issue. October is no exception.

For the next 29 days, it's National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and National Family Sexuality Education Month.

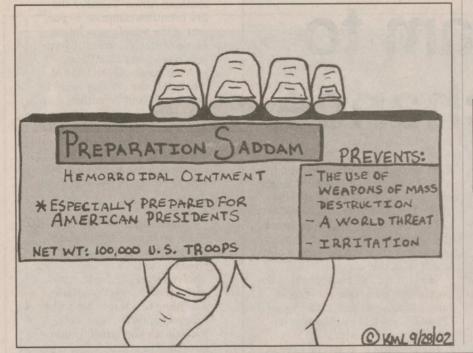
Campus-wide initiatives reflect OU's concern for these issues. Women's health is a primary focus of GHC, which provides breast

examinations and other gynecological checkups year round. The sorority Gamma Phi Beta is putting on "Safer Sex Week" this month, a program providing education about contraception and STDs.

October is also Domestic Violence Awareness Month. GHC's counseling services target common problems students face including, but not limited to, any kind of abuse. The University Counseling Center will provide depression screenings later this month.

It is imperative to learn how to be healthy to help ensure long-term academic success. Get on top of looking after yourself so that you can look after everything else that inevitably comes up in any given semes-

For more information on GHC call the health services (248) 370-2341 and the counseling services at (248) 370-3465.



Letters to the Editor

Lecturer promotes peace, urges activism

A possible U.S. war in Iraq, being debated in Congress this week, should concern us all, on university campuses and elsewhere. Here is one view.

President Bush's effort to get approval from Congress for a pre-emptive war against Iraq alarms us. The possibility that - with minimal debate - a Congressional majority may soon grant that power alarms us even more.

We have no love for Saddam Hussein

or his brutal dictatorship over his own people. However, we are not persuaded that a U.S. war against him, to effect a "regime change," will solve anything. The patriotic thing for our democratic nation to do, we believe, is to promote peace and goodwill in the world. Starting a war against a nation that has not attacked us will not promote peace. It will only encourage the rage and violence that already exists. The United States must set a better example, not impose its will unilaterally by force of

If Saddam Hussein is now or becomes a threat to any other nation, collective action through the United Nations, as imperfect an organization as it is, is the appropriate way to respond to that

The Bush Administration appears to believe that a military attack against Iraq is a necessary extension of the war against terrorism. We believe on the contrary that such action will increase acts of terrorism such as that of Sept. 11, 2001. The current war in Afghanistan will have no useful outcome without rebuilding that war-weary nation; its people need a fair chance to live in peace,

freedom, justice and health. Let's not get distracted by starting a new war somewhere else. As for Osama bin Laden and Al Qaeda, let's root them out if we can. But, most importantly, our goal should be to make the world a safer, more humane, just and peaceful place - to take away the occasion for all wars and

To its victims, war itself is a form of terrorism. A war against Iraq would put thousands of U.S. servicemen and women in harm's way, and would kill and maim thousands of innocent Iraqi citizens. And what unintended consequences would follow - in Iraq, in the region, in the world, in American society? (Remember Vietnam?) War is a terrible

solution to any problem. The terror is the same, however one is killed or wounded or maimed. Let's use our power instead to promote peaceful and constructive change.

We have urged our U.S. Senators and Congressman to say no to the Administration's proposal to make preemptive war against Iraq or other countries. If you have strong views on this issue, we urge you to make them known to Congress. Let's keep our democracy

Philip T. Clampitt, Lecturer in Biological Sciences, and Hanna D. Clampitt

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FEATURED COLUMNISTS

Confronting fears head-on



JENNIFER DECKER

Assistant News

The older I get, the more I realize I am a coward. Growing up, there was fear

from spooky Saturday afternoon Sir Graves Ghastly

There was fear of our neighbor, referred to here as George, who always came by at suppertime when mom had already stretched a meal realistically for four into six for our family. George had a field of old man whiskers going on

about him. His fingernails were hard and yellow claws, his thumbnails looked like garden spades. Yes, it called for hiding.

all terrorism.

Up until I was eight-yearsold, I would flush the toilet, close the lid really fast and

stand on top, afraid it would overflow and drown me. Outhouses at the campgrounds were no better as I always thought falling into the hole would be a tragic way to die as there'd be no

way to scream for help.

When I was in fourth grade, my late daddy did the worst thing of all: he bought my third grade teacher Miss Johnson's Chevelle. It had her

and its own sense of Carolina drawl. My family would ride in the car and I'd duck down in the back because the other kids pointed and laughed at our new car and me

These days, I still have a fear of large dogs, head cheese, liver, Rush Limbaugh, spiders crawling into my mouth when I sleep, the world running out of Pepsi and having another goose nip at my heels in front of South Foundation Hall.

I have more mountainous fears like suddenly losing my sight as in Jose Saramago's novel "Blindness" or having civil liberties denied to me. Being unable to write anymore or if there will ever be

peace in the Middle East bring up the rear of concern. Some of my fears will be faced by admitting them here. Others I can hide pretty darn well. The end of the month will find me on an airplane for the first time, an idea that terrifies me. Yet, I will chew gum, lose myself in a novel and pray, really hard.

Yes, fear has been scared into me. Right now, this is five minutes past my deadline. I fear my editor-in-chief and what she will do to me. Have mercy.

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Do it right the first time



BARBARA SHEA POTE

Procrastination is the art of putting off until tomorrow what you can do today. It's a sneaky way of convincing yourself that you still have everything under control because you'll "get that done tomorrow." I am not usually a procrastinator because my life

snowball and mountain - way out of control, way too quickly.

I am living my life one day at a time. I've decided the only way to deal with everything and still feel good about myself is to handle only small bits of my life at a time.

If I can get through the morning with my sanity, without insulting anyone I know and love, and get to class, with all books, papers and assignments necessary, then I have succeeded. Then I have to get through the afternoon meeting with professors, get-

Spanish and make it to the bus by 3:30 p.m. to pick up my youngest. Now I just have after school and dinner to get through, which any Mom will tell you is the most stressful

time of the day.

When I sit down in the evening with my newspaper and there is only minimal resentment against me in the house, and I have two minutes to myself, I consider that a successful evening.

I think we need to reward ourselves with pats on the back (or as I prefer, double

would become the proverbial ting help with the mystery of dipped peanuts). As we go along in life we figure out the best way to help ourselves

Just as each method for success is individual, so is each measure of success. I count the possession of my sanity and all my girls safely put to bed as my measure of success for each day.

So as I sit here, clinging to the side of wisdom mountain, holding on by my fingernails, take a little advice. Do it now. Do it well, so you don't have to do it again. And don't volunteer to do more.

Point/Counterpoint Should the U.S. attack Iraq?

Yes

BY RACHEL RYBICKI LIFE & GET OUT EDITOR

Once again, our nation is split down the middle on whether or not the U.S. should attack Iraq.

Educating ourselves about international issues is our responsibility and our greatest weapon. Walking blindly into any decision is not responsible. President Bush's role is, in part, to

educate the U.S about foreign policy. He's not everyone's favorite president, but he is a good president who has been rooted in government since he was a child. He grew up with it, giving reason for him to know what he is talking about with the potential

war on Iraq. Because he is the president, we should put our trust in his ability to govern our nation with fairness.

While some feel he is fighting this war in the name of his father or because of cheap oil, there has to be more to it than that. He wouldn't put our nation in harm's way intentionally just because there is cheap oil

standing in an untapped field. People can protest, rally and call Bush an unintelligent idiot, but as a people, we need to have faith in his decisions. He was chosen by the people, giving him the authority to make decisions on behalf of our nation in conjunction with congress whether we

Many people want to know everything about what is going on behind the scenes, but what if that information were to leak out somewhere else or was misinterpreted? Then where would we be? We would be involved in an unnecessary war.

There needs to be a sense of trust that Bush and his staff have access to more classified information than the general public. We do not have access to it for a reason.

There are Marines, Navy Seals and Army soldiers fighting potential wars before they begin every day. Do we as civilians know where they are fighting? No, for the simple reason that it would pose a threat to the soldiers fighting and to ourselves.

Hussein poses a threat because he is housing weapons of mass destruc-

If we wait to go into Iraq we will be endangering our lives and the lives of those around us. If we wait until Saddam uses his arsenal, it's going to

No

BY PAUL KUBICEK ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

The U.S., together with Britain, is poised to attack Iraq, with the twins in favor of disarming Iraq and fostering "regime change" in Baghdad.

There is a long list of objections to this impending conflict: the precedent it sets of "pre-emptive" war, something that other states could then use to attack their neighbors (as the Russians are threatening to do to Georgia); the fact that we will alienate our allies and encourage more anti-American attitudes; it distracts us from the "war on terror"; the immense suffering it will cause to innocent Iraqi civilians; the possible high casualties U.S. forces could face in urban combat or if Saddam unleashes chemical or biological weapons; the economic costs and risk of skyrocketing oil prices; the instability it will cause in the region.

Some, but not all, of these problems would be ameliorated if the U.S. gained UN approval for strikes against Iraq, but a blessing by the UN will do nothing to resolve the

greater dilemma: If we "win," then what? This project has not been well thought out by the White House and the Pentagon. Some are even attempting to justify the war by saying US credibility is at stake, which is like saying, "We have a stupid idea, but since we've promised to do it, we've got to live up to our promise.' Such logic smacks of desperation.

Supposed links between Saddam and Sept. 11 have vanished under close scrutiny, and even if (and this is not proven) al-Qaeda elements are hiding in Iraq, one should note even more are residing and making mischief in our ostensible ally, Pakistan (also ruled by a military dictator). If we invoke Saddam's cruel treatment of his populace, then one might want to explain why we were providing him with aid while he was gassing the Kurds. Lastly, there is the contention that Saddam has, or will soon acquire, nuclear weapons. There is no proof of this; we are asked to believe assertions by the powers-that-be that this is true. However, given Donald Rumsfeld's statement that

"Sometimes the truth is so precious it must be protected by a bodyguard of lies," I myself question anything claimed by the War Party in Washington.

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The "SPIRIT" of WOCOU 2002

Week of Champions @ Oakland University - - October 7-11, 2002

I got "IT" @ Oakland University on

Monday, October 7 . . . at WOCOU's Kick-Off

Featuring The OU African Ensemble "Akwaaba" and Steel Band "Pan Jumbies." 500 Free WOCOU T-shirts. FREE "Grizztracks" Ice Cream Cones.

Noon-1:00 p.m. - - Fireside Lounge, OC

Tuesday, October 8 . . . at OU's Own Arts, Beats and Eats

Featuring a Pumpkin Carving Contest, Creating "I Love OU" Art, Open Jam Session,

Roasting Marshmallows, Making S'mores, Cider and Donuts.

11:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. - - Outdoors, South Foundation Hall (Rainsite: Fireside Lounge, OC)

Wednesday, October 9 . . . at OU's Day of Champions

. . . at Student and Greek Organizations Display of Champions

Connect with OU by joining a student or Greek organization. 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - - Fireside Lounge and Main Hallway, OC

. . . at the Men's Soccer: OU vs Michigan State (FREE)

4:00 p.m. - - Lower Athletic Fields

Thursday, October 10 . . . at the Movie: "Bring It On" With FREE popcorn, peanuts and Cracker Jacks.

11:30 a.m. - - Pioneer Food Court, OC

. . . at the Special Guest Appearance of Steve Blackwood, OU '78, from NBC's "Days of Our Lives" who will talk about "Everything You Wanted To Know About Being A Soap Opera Star!"

Noon-1:00 p.m. - - Fireside Lounge, OC

. . . at the ABS & SPB Talent Show

Featuring a Special Guest Performance by Steve Blackwood. \$750 in Cash Prizes.

8:00 p.m. - - Pioneer Food Court, OC

Friday, October 11 . . . at "Show Your OU Spirit" Day

. . . at the Women's Soccer: OU vs Western Illinois (FREE)

4:00 p.m. – – Lower Athletic Fields

. . . at the OC Expansion Groundbreaking Ceremony

4:30 p.m. - - Outdoors, West Entrance of the Oakland Center

. . . at the Women's Volleyball: OU vs Oral Roberts (FREE) 5:00 p.m. - - O'Rena, Recreation and Athletics Center

... at the University Appreciation Dinner

OU faculty and staff tickets available through the Office of the President. OU student tickets can be picked up at the CSA Service Window, 49 Oakland Center. Tickets are FREE. Entertainment by The OU African Ensemble "Akwaaba" and Steel Band "Pan

5:00-7:00 p.m. - - Pioneer Food Court, OC

lumbies.

... at the Black and Gold OU Men/Women Intrasquad Swim Meet

6:30 p.m. - - Pool, Recreation and Athletics Center

. . . at Friday Night Live featuring Comedian/Magician Tim Gabrielson - "Magic Man" "Funny, hip, non-offensive and cool. Excellent magician! Excellent comedian! A show that's fast-paced and full of audience interaction."

7:00-8:00 p.m. - - Pioneer Food Court, OC

. . . at the Campus Recreation Family FREE Night

An open house for all OU students, faculty, staff and their immediate families.

7:00-11:00 p.m. - - Recreation and Athletics Center

. . . at the Student Athletes Advisory Council Bonfire 8:00-9:30 p.m. - - Bonfire Pit, Lower Athletic Fields

. . . at the OU's "Glow in the Dark" Fest

FREE neon glow sticks to first 500 OU students standing in line for Midnight Madness. 9:45 p.m.-10:15 p.m. - - Outdoors, In Front of Recreation and Athletics Center

. . . at the SPB OU Students vs OU Faculty & Staff Basketball Challenge

Cheer for the Grizzlies (OU students) as they take on the Pioneers (OU faculty and staff) in a "friendly" game of basketball.

10:30-11:00 p.m. - - O'Rena, Recreation and Athletics Center

. . . at OU's 4th Annual Midnight Madness

Party with the OU Men's and Women's Basketball Teams as they kick off the 2002-2003 NCAA Division 1 Basketball Season. FREE T-Shirts. WDRQ 93.1. OU Spirit Contest. Laser Light Show. Great Golden Grizzlies \$100 Giveaway. Drawing for Two Winter Semester 2003 Tuition Scholarships

11:00 p.m. - - O'Rena, Recreation and Athletics Center

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Hispanic Celebration 2002: "Strength in Diversity" September 16 - October 16

You are invited to celebrate Hispanic Culture by attending the following programs during Hispanic Celebration 2002. Programs will continue through October

Wednesday, October 2 Strength in Diversity: "The Jewish-Hispanic Experience"

Presentation by Patricia Kofman-Razi, OU student Noon-1:00 p.m., Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

Thursday, October 3

Latin Crafts & "Practice Your Spanish" Night 8:00 p.m., Vandenberg Dining Center, Vandenberg Hall

Tuesday, October 8

Strength In Diversity: "A Cuban Slave Diary: The Autobiography of Juan Manzano"

Presentation by Dr. Ivan A. Schulman, Professor Emeritus of Spanish and Composition Literature, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Oakland Room, Oakland Center

> **OU Students** Pick up Free ticket for the Friday, October 11 **University Apprecation Dinner** at the CSA Service Window!



Give the Gift of Life! American Red Cross OU Fall Blood Drive



Monday-Wednesday, October 14-16 Blood Factoid: About 12 million units of red blood cells and whole blood are transfused annually.

Make an appointment by:

• Signing up at the Donor Sign-up Tables

• Calling the CSA Office at (248) 370-2400

· Making an appointment online at http://givelife.redcross.org (The sponsor is Oakland University, the access code is: OUBlood.)

Remember to sign up to attend Student Organizations Officers Training.

This program is recommended for all orginization presidents and treasurers.

Student and Greek Organizations

Student Organizations Officers Training October 5 -9:00 a.m. until noon, Gold Rooms, OC

Student & Greek Organization Day October 9-11a.m.to 1p.m., Oakland Center

Are you bored? Looking to get involved and meet new people? Student & Greek Organization Day may be exactly what you need. Come meet Oakland University's Student Organizations on October 9th in the Oakland Center. There will be representatives ready to meet and talk to you about the many organizations and involvement opportunities at Oakland University.

AT THE CSA SERVICE WINDOW Reservations for:

CSA has arranged for discount tickets to be made available for

the following shows and events for the entire Oakland University Community.

- Stomp - October 13

- Il Trovatore - October 16 & 18

- Jerry Seinfeld Concert - October 26

- Detroit Pistons vs. New York Knicks - October 30 - Detroit Pistons vs Memphis Grizzlies - November 1

- Grease - November 3

- 42nd Street - November 3, 6 & 10

- Moscow Ballet's Nutcracker Ballet - November 9 & 10

- Disney on Ice: 100 Years of Magic - November 9 & 10

- Don Pasquale - November 8, 13 & 15

- Tale of the Allergist's Wife - November 17 - Detroit Pistons vs. Miami Heat - November 20

- Bolshoi's Ballet's "Swan Lake" - November 21

- Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular with the "Rockettes" - November 29, December 5, 12, 23, & 27

- Some Like it Hot - December 15 Tickets on Sale for:

- University Appreciation Dinner - October 11 - Meadow Brook Fall Ball - October 18

Sign up for:

- SPB Trip to Cedar Point - October 26

Do You Have It? Find Out October 7-11

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us to support a war that is unconstitutional. Their interest is not your interest

Clark Iverson, Rhetoric special lecturer, also sounded the call for critical thinking.

Iverson said he cannot emphasize enough the importance of the right to dissent, provided it is based on thoughtful criticism and reflection.

"As a teacher, I am more con-

cerned with whether a student can provide support for his or her argument," he said

Despite the broad differences in opinions, there was little tension at the gathering.

"Respect was the common ground reached through the debates and (students) standing for what they believed in," said

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According to the Spicer-Escalantes, students who attend the events can expect to come away from them with "a greater sensitivity with respect to cultural diversity, and a greater knowl-

edge of the diversity of the Hispanic community in this country. They're going to get exposure to the different aspects of a very diverse, rich, growing community," he said.

ASHBY

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with Meadow Brook Hall during her (Ashby's) years as director," Wood said. "During Ms. Ashby's tenure, MBH and the Department of Art and Art History have co-sponsored the Fred Braun Memorial Lecture, an event that brings distinguished outside speakers to the OU campus.

Goepp said although auxiliaries "run operations that are not central to the university's core academic activity," MBH plays a vital role in the OU com-

Historically, Goepp said MBH has been one of OU's most fiscally healthy auxiliaries. In the last few years, she cited the economic downturn for fallen revenue and tighter budget concerns. She is confident MBH will rebound.

MBH was built between 1926 and 1929 at a cost of \$4 million. The 110-room Tudor-revival style mansion boasts 80,000-sq. ft. and 39 chimneys. MBH is the former home to OU's founders, Matilda Dodge Wilson, widow of automobile tycoon John Dodge, and her second husband, Alfred Wilson.

The Wilsons donated \$2 million and their estate to found OU in 1957. In 1971, MBH opened to

Ashby did not return calls, and Goepp declined to comment on the reason for Ashby's unexpected resignation.

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hour a day, seven day a week access, she said.

The Qualified Voter File, which is the Secretary of State database with all voter registration and location information on it, is online as part of the Voter Information Center.

"This is the first time we have had the Qualified Voter File statewide voter registration database online," Boyd said.

The Voter Information Center is produced with a non-profit organization called Publius.

Founded in 1996, Publius is a Michigan-based organization dedicated to developing web tools to enhance citizen participation in elections.

"It was a naturally coming together with Publius," said Boyd. "They were the engine that started this because we had been assisting them in the past with them paying fees for FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) information and putting it into a

Kiera Evens, junior, said she

would definitely use the site.

"I moved so I don't know where to vote," she said. "I would definitely use it to learn where I go." Nick Pavledes, sophomore, was hesitant about the site.

"I only use my voter's registration card for going to Canada, he said. "Since this is the first time I have ever voted, I am really not into it. But when I do go vote I guess I would use the

There is no guarantee any site is exactly two-sided, but Boyd

said it is impartial to all parties.

"Because it is through the Michigan.gov web site shows that the government is putting it on, not one particular party," she said. "It is presented on the web site as (it's) presented to us."

Even though the site has only been up since the beginning of September, there has been a lot

of feedback. "We have had several emails with positive feedback," Boyd said. "Everything we get has been very, very positive.'

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their health and human resource services," said Lindman. "The database in Grand Rapids has over 2,000 agencies and in that, 1,000 programs available.

According to the 211 web site, before the call center can be set up, the United Way must receive an endorsement from a local human services coordination body and approval from Michigan Alliance of Information and Referral systems. It also must provide proof to the Michigan Public Service Commission that United Way and its partners have the fund-

ing to maintain the system. The Michigan Association of United Way is a non-profit agency. There are 87 local United Way chapters who represent the largest network of nongovernmental service providers and service funders in Michigan, collectively raising and distributing more than \$160 million to

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support local health and human service organizations.

Since Michigan already has the Information and Referral Systems set up through the United Way, the implementation of 211 will increase the capacity of any city services and switch those existing phone numbers to the uniform 211, Lindman said.

Joey Qonja, sophomore, was optimistic about the new service. "Why not? It's a very convenient, easy number to remember."

he said. "It will benefit society, almost anything you need from one number for a variety of serv-

Michelle Abro, junior, agreed

with Qonja. "It sounds like a really good idea for people who don't have time for the hassle of looking for phone numbers and need help and information right way," she said. "Personally, I don't know if I would use it, but if the call is free, why not.'

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the winter term. Cash larceny, check tampering, and payroll and expense reimbursement

schemes will also be discussed, she said. "I believe that this program will be very beneficial and I believe that all finance and accounting majors should hon-

estly think about FIS as, at

least, a minor," Phillips said. Another addition to OU is Wellness, Health Promotion, and Injury Prevention. Increasing student interest and job growth led to this major said Esposito.

"Most public universities are responsive to the community with the type of degree programs," Esposito said, "You try to survey and figure out the most pressing area that people want.

Businesses like Daimler Chrysler, for example, were looking for workers to help keep their employees healthy and stop on-the-job injuries, said Dr. Ronald Olson, Dean of the School of Health Sciences and Health. Careers in this field include fitness coordinator, rehabilitation specialist and patient interpreter.

"The public health crisis is leading the cause. Fifty percent of all death and diseases can be prevented," said Dr. Statford Roarke, professor of health sci-

Roarke will teach the classes in the Hannah Hall. Another faculty member, William Andress, will join him in January.

"OU would like to be known as an area of wellness. Students will know about healthy living. It will influence the community to wellness. It could distinguish OU," said Olson.

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DEER

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crashes in drivers ed. in order to make drivers more knowledgeable," she said.

The MDCC did just that. In 2001, more than 1,000 copies of "Stay Clear of Deer All Year," a videotape produced by the MDCC, was distributed statewide. Five hundred fifty tapes were sent to driver education schools across Michigan.

Daniel Kilpatrick, freshman, said the video might be useful.

"More commercials through the radio and TV would be useful during deer season," he said.

The peak of deer season begins in October and declines toward the end of December. Forty-four percent of the crashes in 2001 occurred during this period.

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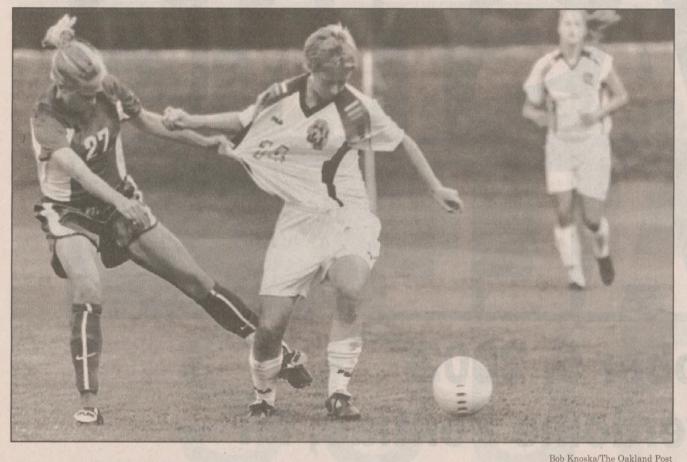
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Freshman Ingrid Mortensen attempts to free herself from the clutches of a Youngstown State defender in Friday's game. Mortensen recorded the lone Grizzly goal in Sunday's 2-1 loss to the University of Dayton Flyers.

Skid snapped in lopsided victory

BY RANDY DUDEK & BRENDAN STEVENS THE OAKLAND POST

With an overwhelming 8-0 victory over the Youngstown State Penguins, the OU women's soccer team ended its six game losing streak last Friday.

The women were unable to continue their winning ways, dropping a Sunday contest to the University of Dayton Flyers, 2-1

While the eight goal margin of victory was impressive, the Grizzlies completely dominated their opponent, outshooting the Penguins 41-0.

"I think on paper we're a better team than they are to begin with," head coach Nick O'Shea said. "Once we scored a goal our team kept going very hard and pushed, and their team gave up a little bit."

freshman midfielder Kristi Swaving led OU's offense charge, scoring two goals apiece.

Swaving led the team with 16 shots, four of which were on goal. Cartmel contributed two assists to the offensive

Also netting goals for OU were senior defenseman Kim Moore, sophomore defenseman Lindsey Mathus, freshman forward Leah Cherf and junior midfielder Erica Demers, who also

added an assist.

Sophomore midfielder Katie Arnott was the playmaker for the Grizzlies, tallying a team-high three assists, sophomore midfielder Kelly Rieck added two of the team's 11 assists.

Other Grizzlies recording assists were sophomores midfielder Laura Cowham and defenseman Sarah Voss, along with freshman midfielder Beth

In a combined effort, goaltenders Sarah Buckland, junior, and Jackie Tigue, freshman, recorded the untested shutout.

Buckland started the game, and Tigue came in at the half, to record her first career shutout.

Sunday's contest against the Flyers was much more of a challenge for the Grizzlies, who were outshot, 13-12.

Senior defenseman Christine Selesky left the game after suffering a contusion on her head requiring 10 stitches, forcing the team to adjust its defense and move players around.

OU freshman Ingrid Mortensen opened the scoring late in the first half, taking Swaving's pass from six yards out and slipping the ball past Dayton goalkeeper Stephanie

Weisenfeld. In the second half, the Grizzlies committed inside the penalty box, resulting in a penatly kick for the Flyers.

Midfielder Tesia Kozlowski put the ball past Buckland to tie the score

Dayton took the lead for good less than ten minutes later, when forward Shannon Kuhl controlled a rebound and booted it into the OU goal.

O'Shea said that the lack of leadership is becoming a factor in the team's inability to win the close games.

"It's one of the same problems we've had in the past," he said. "In tough games our team does not respond.

The captains and the upperclassmen are not able to keep players positive in the face of adversity. With the weekend split, OU's record

now stands at 3-7. Mid-Con play begins for the Grizzlies

this weekend as the squad goes on the road for two of only five conference matchups on the schedule.

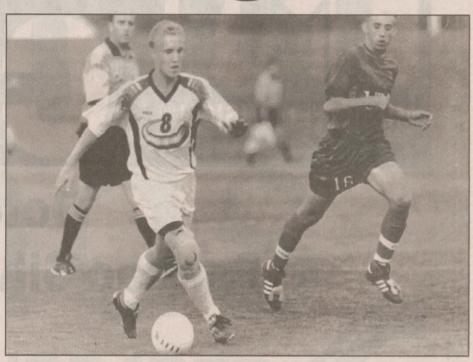
At 4 p.m. on Thursday, OU kicks off Southern Utah University Thunderbirds.

In a matchup of golden Mid-Con foes, OU takes on the Oral Roberts University Golden Eagles at 1 p.m. on

"Typically, it's been Oakland and Oral Roberts in first and second place," O'Shea said.

"It's very important that we get off on the right foot. Winning the conference is our main goal."

Soccer splits home games



Junior midfielder Marcus Halland dribbles down the field in last Thursday's victory over U-DM. The win snapped U-DM's eight game unbeaten streak

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Philip Braathen

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conference."

Forward

By Zvonko Blazevski SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The OU men's soccer team ended an instate rival's win streak with a 2-1 victory over UD-M. The Grizzlies then brought their record back to even with a 1-0 double overtime loss on Sunday to Wright State.

UD-M got off to a fast start as forward George Kithas scored in the 22nd minute from six yards out following a Rafael Galvao pass.

The Golden Grizzlies battled back and tied the game 14 minutes later as sophomore forward Philip Braathen scored his third goal of the year. In the second half, OU

and UD-M each had three shots, but it was the Golden Grizzlies who scored the game winner in the 74th

A UD-M defender brought down an OU player in the penalty box, resulting in a yellow card and a penalty kick for the Golden Grizzlies.

the penalty kick.

Freshman forward Doug Rice beat the Titan goalie on a penalty shot in the 74th minute to give OU the lead.

UD-M midfielder Aaron Byrd had a late chance to tie the game, but freshman goaltender Jeff Wiese made the save off

"It was a good effort from the team," said Parsons. "We fought hard and played a tight defensive game. One of the goals this season was to win the in-state games. This win is a step in the right

"We expected to win," said Braathen. "It turned out to be a very even game, but we didn't play up to par."

OU and Wright State played evenly in Sunday's match, with the scoreless draw ending in the 104th minute.

The first half was a defensive stalemate with each side having few chances on net.

OU's best chance came in the 7th minute when sophomore midfielder Bret McNabb's header off junior midfielder Anders Vollen's crossing pass was caught by Wright State's goalkeeper, Jason Balach.

Balach came up strong again in the 46th minute as freshman forward Mike Matalavy's pass found McNabb for a breakaway. Balach cut off McNabb's shooting angle and was able to make a

fingertip save. Wright State squandered "We have to win a chance in the 61st minute, when a dangerous cross from midfielder Jon McClain found forward Ricky Strong in the box. Strong was unable to control his volley and was pressured to shoot over Wiese and the OU net.

> The Raiders had a late chance before the end of regulation, but Wiese turned away a Ricky Strong blast from the right.

In the second overtime, Strong made the Golden

Grizzlies pay for a foul. Off the free kick, Strong picked up the

loose ball, and snuck it past Wiese. Wright State outshot OU 9-8 in the game. Wiese made five saves for the Golden Grizzlies.

"The Wright State game was a disappointment," said head coach Gary Parsons. "We should have played better. They didn't look dangerous, but then again, neither did we."

With a non-conference record of 3-3-2, OU will open its Mid-Con season at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday when it hosts the Western Illinois Leathernecks.

"There is no doubt that we have to win against Western Illinois," said Braathen. "We have to have a good start if we want to win the conference."

Record losing streak lingers

Volleyball drops 19th and 20th straight

By Brendan Stevens SPORTS EDITOR

Dating back to last season, the OU women's volleyball squad has lost 20 straight games after two defeats over the weekend.

"Our last few matches were good matches," head coach Mark Ridley said. "Everybody that I've talked to are saying the same thing, You guys are right there." Friday, the Grizzlies traveled to

Fort Wayne, Ind. to square off against IPFW. OU was unable to compete with the serving of Mastodons, getting zero serving aces to IPFW's 10.

OU lost the match in part because it was unable to put the ball away. The Mastodons outkilled the Grizzlies 49-33.

Four women recorded doubledigits in defensive digs. Senior setter Becca Saldana led the way with 20, while sophomore Katie Lozier contributed 12.

Juniors Lauren Bramos and Courtney Varterasian had 10 digs apiece.

The 20th loss came against the Rockets of Toledo on Saturday.

OU dropped the match 3-0. Although the Grizzlies were able to keep serve statistics more even, the inability to go on the offensive hurt the team.

OU recorded an attack percentage of .061 for the match, including two games in which the percentage was zero or below. Only Saldana had a statistical

standout performance, recording 22 assists. The Grizzlies did out-block the

Rockets, 13-5. Mid-Con play begins for OU next week in two road contests.

'(The team) is optimistic,' Ridley said. "They have not given up at all. They work hard and go in wanting to win. Once we get that first win, that will change a lot of things.'

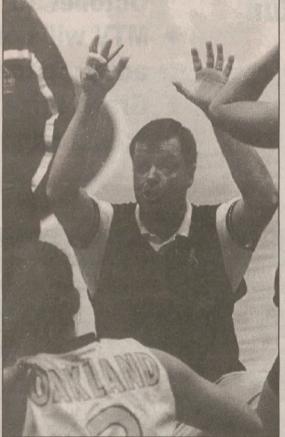
At 5 p.m. Friday, the Grizzlies square off against the Western Illinois Westerwinds, who are also 0-16.

Continuing the road trip, the women face the Chicago State Cougars at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

The Cougars hold the NCAA volleyball record for consecutive loss, dropping 139 straight matches from Oct. 4, 1993 through Sept. 18, 1999.

"Our goal is qualifying for the conference tournament and I don't think that's out of reach for us," Ridley said.

OU faces CMU at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, at the O'rena. The second is in Mount Pleasant later this season.



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post Head volleyball coach Mark Ridley talks to the team during a break. In his first year as head coach, Ridley is still looking for his first victory, after replacing former coach Ed Tolintino.

New managers, same old theme



RANDY DUDEK Assistant Sports Editor

On Monday, the Tigers fired Luis Pujols, their fifth manager in seven years. Pujols was in charge for 100 of the Tigers' 106 losses this season. This tied the Tampa Bay Devil Rays for the worst record in Major League Baseball.

Since I claim to be a music major, how better to express myself than through song. Written to the tune of Richard Berry's "Louie, Louie," sing along:

Fine little man, his name Sparky Led us to pennant, after year '83 Until '95 for the Tigers he roam Mr. Mike Ilitch go and send him home

Luis, Luis, whoa baby, you gotta go Luis, Luis, whoa baby, you gotta go

Three years the manager: Bell, Buddy The Tigers lose, constantly As a fan, I dream of the past Every September, they finish last

Luis, Luis, whoa baby, you gotta go Luis, Luis, whoa baby, you gotta go

Bell's act was old, some called it tired As a result, he was fired Larry Parrish came in, mid '98 Two seasons gone, he met same fate

Luis, Luis, whoa baby, you gotta go Luis, Luis, whoa baby, you gotta go

Y2K, Tigers open Comerica Park Hire Phil Garner, to provide a spark He, was in charge, this season, then Six games in, Tigers fire again

Luis, Luis, whoa baby, you gotta go Luis, Luis, whoa baby, you gotta go (Guitar Solo)

In a pinch, Tigers hire, our man Luis They tied Tampa, as bad as can be They told us Pujols, he was the thing At a press conference, ownership sing;

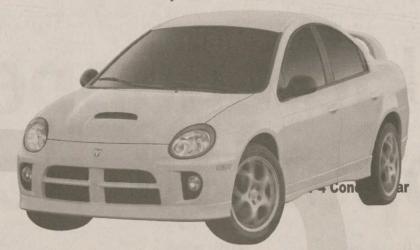
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Life

SPB brings Knee Deep Shag to campus

BY RACHEL RYBICKI LIFE & GET OUT EDITOR

usic will fill the Pioneer Food Court in the Oakland Center Lwhen Kalamazoo rockers Knee Deep Shag hit campus with Gordon Bennett at 8 p.m. Oct. 3.

"We saw them at a conference, (National Association of Campus Activities)," said Stacy Keast, Student Program Board concert and dance chairperson. "They put on a really good live performance, and they have a very good reputation in the "We tend to

Detroit area.' With influences from The Beatles and Wilco, Knee Deep Shag looks at itself "as just a rock band," and has been touring for the past 10

Frontman Matthew Francis said his favorite part of being on tour is performing and that the tour is more than just the fans.

"It's just what you'd expect," he said. "Just being able to be on

He also said it can be "tough" being on the road because of the distance away from home.

"It's the same old bag of Chee-tos and the same old truck stop," said Francis. "Being away from people is the hardest thing about being on the road."

Because of touring and recording, Francis said time management has been one of the challenges Knee Deep Shag faces.

"Well, (besides touring) we also have to find time to work and have relationships," said Francis. "We do all kinds of shit like everyone else does.'

Tending to "hook-up" with random bands is the band's motto when it comes to touring, and that is the route it took for playing with Detroit

band, Gordon Bennett.

"I have no idea who they are," Francis said. "I don't know anything about them, but we are looking forward to playing with them at OU.

Keast said SPB wanted to bring new music to campus.

"I live on this and think it's really important to bring it to campus," she said. "I want to get (students) to open their eyes and get out of the 'Top 40."

Francis said his favorite band to perform with was one of the random ones

they were paired with. "We were on the leg of a tour for a while with two other bands, Johnny Sacko and The Youngblood Brass knock back four Band," he said. "They were both great to play with. I know these guys will be cool, too."

As far as recording goes, "I think we all (love being in the studio) just because it's a very different musical environment than a live one," Francis said. "We like to explore different musical venues as this band always

Members of the band have a unique prerecording ritual,

"We tend to knock back about four cans of potted meat before recording, which is probably weird for most people, but for us it's just like good potted meat," Francis said. "I personally am into pork brains and milk gravy. It's hard to find sometimes.'

Francis said it reminds him of "a nice day at the beach.'

"It tastes like a microwaved hot dog covered in mint jelly," he said. When not eating pig brains, Knee

Deep Shag finds time to sell out venues across Michigan. "We plan to continue to rock, and

soon we plan on spending some time dancing with your older sister," he said. "We are thinking that we are going to



Knee Deep Shag recently released "Volume One: Live" to the general public. Frontman Matthew Francis said the album was not meant for the media to review. "It's for the fans," he said. "We didn't want media to scrutinize our music." Knee Deep Shag will be performing with local rockers Gordon Bennett at 8 p.m. Oct. 3 in the Pioneer Food Court in the OC. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. SPB and OUSC helped to bring the bands to campus.

go back into the studio pretty soon at least to start doing some demo work. Depending on how that stuff works out, it may end up turning into an album."

Francis said each song on its album has its own meaning.

"I think every song has to have its own theme," he said. "We wouldn't be sharing it if we didn't want to get it across to them.'

Live shows are the band's specialty. "More, bigger, faster, you know but at the same time there is an intimacy

towards the kind of shows we're doing right now out on the night club circuit that you don't get when we're playing stadiums and sold-out outdoor venues,"

Its label, hi-lo records, has given Knee Deep Shag "total artistic control," making things easier for the band.

"We have complete artistic rights to our publishing," said Francis. "They pick the artists that they pick because they trust them, and they trust that these artists will have appeal."

If not in the music industry, Francis said he would want to be in the circus.

"I would want to be the guy that gets shot out of a cannon," he said. "Maybe (if my parents) took me to the circus when I was little I would want to be a teacher, but they didn't. So, now I want to be shot out of a cannon. It's just a deep-seeded longing, and I think it would be lots of fun. I'd have to get my wife in some kind of tiara riding on the backs of elephants."

'Good Disguise' not so good

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Knee Deep Shag 'Good Disguise' hi-lo records

(out of 5)

Releasing its third album in 1999, Knee

Deep Shag took a chance with this one.

Its sloppy beats and monotone sounds bring this album down to the bottom of the charts.

It is littered with mistakes of immaturity and overdone cliches in the rock business.

Whiny melodies and tiring riffs make this CD hard to stomach. The band has however released a live album, "Live: Volume 1," but it was not distributed to the press because the band didn't want it "scrutinized by the media," and because "it was meant to be for the fans."

The live album is just as poorly done as "Good Disguise."

The sound quality is seriously lacking and may remind listeners of nails scratching down a chalkboard. Obviously, a live album is not as good as a studio album, but none the less, it should have been much

For a band with more than 10 years of touring experience, one would expect much more.

-Rachel Rybicki



Above: Knee Deep Shag plays at the Magic Bag last year. Right: Frontman Matthew Francis swings from the rafters while belting out his rhymes at a recent show.



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Fall On-Campus Recruiting

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DaimlerChrysler) are already available for eligible students to either submit resumes (when they are preselect schedules) or sign up (when they are open schedules) online. Visit our web site at www.oakland.edu/careerservices for additional information.

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Upcoming Events

Friday, October 11, Residence Hall's Friday Night Live presents comedian Marty Putz, 7 PM, Pioneer Food Court, Oakland Center. One of the world's hottest, most popular exponents of bizarre and unusual comedy, Marty takes the label "prop comic" to new heights as he entertains audiences with some of his "inventions." Performing over 150 college dates a year and with television credits including "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno," FOX's Comic Strip Live and Sunday Comics, Marty will keep you laughing at this WOCOU event. FREE ADMISSION.

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Thursday, October 3

Latin Crafts & "Practice Your Spanish" Night 8:00pm Vandenberg Dining Hall, Vandenberg Hall

Saturday, October 12

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Tuesday, October 15

Hispanic Storytelling, Art, and Cyber Cafe 5:30 - 7:00pm 350 Educational Resource Laboratory (ERL), Education and Human Services Building

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Witherspoon hot, Alabama not in new romantic comedy

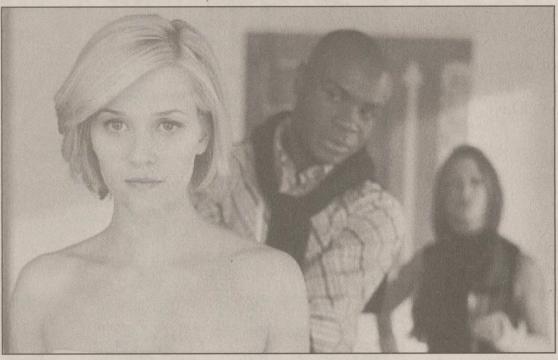
By BRIAN URRETA THE OAKLAND POST

Hound dogs, mullets, pickup trucks and Lynyrd Skynyrd all the fixin's of a good ol' southern recipe for love. Or so it was believed to be in the new Reese Witherspoon romantic comedy "Sweet Home Alabama."

Witherspoon ("Election") stars as Melanie Carmichael, a young up and coming New York fashion designer whose potential is infinite. Carmichael, originally from Alabama, is a woman with many skeletons in her closet, denying her southern redneck upbringing to keep her socialite status amongst New York's elite.

When her J.F.K. Jr.-type boyfriend, Andrew (Patrick Dempsey, "With Honors"), proposes marriage to her, Carmichael's world is turned upside down. Before she marries the son of the mayor (Candice Bergen), Carmichael has some unfinished business to attend to. What her fiancé and future mother-in-law do not know is that back in Alabama Carmichael married Jake, her high school sweetheart, before leaving him and fleeing to New York. So before she can marry Andrew, Carmichael must return to her hometown to get Jake (Josh Lucas, "A Beautiful Mind"), to sign the divorce papers that he has stubbornly

refused to ink. Thrown back onto her native stomping ground, Carmichael is forced to confront the environment and people of her upbringing whom she has denied ever since she left. No matter how hard she tries, Carmichael cannot quelch her past feelings for



Reese Witherspoon stars in the new romantic comedy "Sweet Home Alabama." Witherspoon plays a haughty New York socialite who returns to her southern hometown to obtain a divorce

Sweet Home Alabama

Running Time: 109 minutes

Jake as well as her redneck ten-

dencies. As the old saying goes, "You can take a girl out of the south, but you can never take the south out of the girl.' Witherspoon, high off the suc-

cess of "Legally Blonde," is absolutely adorable in "Sweet Home Alabama." She has wonderful Julia Roberts-like potential as Hollywood's sweetheart and "Sweet Home Alabama" only furthers her claim to this title. Unfortunately, Witherspoon is the only delightful thing about "Sweet Home

Witherspoon is a shining star on a sinking ship. Not even she could save the film's predictably thin plot and weak, stereotypical southern characters.

The old town consists of folks such as Lurlynn with her four children, the drunkard sheriff and even old pal Bobby Ray. At this point the audience should not be surprised if Luke, Bo and Daisy Duke come screeching by in the General Lee.

As for the love story in "Sweet Home Alabama," it's bland and tiring. Fortunately, Witherspoon can do no wrong right now, so her films are being marketed to a very particular young, female

The film's southern appeal gets so annoying that Robert E. Lee himself would be turning in his grave.

One can only hear "y'all" and "ya'here" so many times before eyes start rolling and ears start ringing. Maybe it is a southern thing. "Sweet Home Alabama" gratefully exploits this way of life, disregarding its lack of

Despite the fact that "Sweet Home Alabama" is an overall disappointment, Witherspoon's name brought it to the top of last weekend's box office.

But do not be fooled, "Sweet Home Alabama" is anything but sweet. As for Alabama, no,

Music



Queens of the Stone Age Songs for the Deaf" Interscope

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As a general rule, any band Dave Grohl decides to sit in with will be good. One listen to "Songs for the Deaf' leaves little doubt as to why he would choose to

spend his Foo-free time manning the drum kit for L.A.'s Queens of the Stone Age. As of right now, nobody rocks harder, and nobody has more

Founding members Josh Homme (guitar/vocals) and Nick Oliveri (bass) prove worthy of the ex-Nirvana drummer's esteem, unleashing hot-and-heavy rockers ("Go With the Flow") and riff-laden low riders ("God is in the Radio") with equal proficiency. Grohl teams with Oliveri for one of the tightest rhythm sections in recent memory. Frontman Homme is versatile – he can sing an airy melody, as on the sublime "First It Giveth", and follow it up with a howling scream-along on "Song For The Dead" without breaking stride.

The album flows effortlessly and seamlessly, fueled by an almost exhausting intensity rarely allowing listeners a chance to catch their breath. - Adam Spindler



Uncle Kracker "No Stranger to Shame" Atlantic

Uncle Kracker is the Gilligan to Kid Rock's Skipper minus the blissful ignorance. He's well aware of just how charming he is, and he's going to spoon-feed

it to you one soulful, mid-tempo track at a time. Before you pony up for Kracker's latest, "No Stranger to Shame," be forewarned: no matter how hard you resist, he's movin' in like Matt Foley.

"No Stranger" has no shortage of trailer park anthems to which the mulleted masses can proudly raise a Natty Light. But even if you've never seen the inside of a double-wide, Kracker's older brother persona is endearing. The "sensitive bad ass" oozes half the pretense you'd expect from a member of Rock's posse, save the self-congratulatory rap of the insipid leadoff track, "I Keep It Comin," which seems out of place.

While Kracker is limited as a singer, the warm honesty of his voice on songs like "I Wish I Had a Dollar" compensate for his lack of vocal talent. Kracker's sincerity distracts from his shortcomings long enough to make "No Stranger" feel like an old friend. - Adam Spindler



Midwest Product "Specifics" **Ghostly International**

In a mere three years the Ann Arbor-based Ghostly International label has firmly established an identity as a purveyor of forward looking beats and electronic

tomfoolery with a growing roster of artists like Tadd Mullinix and Matthew Dear, among others. Midwest Product's debut full-length, "Specifics," confirms its rep as a label to trust.

Fusing post-rock sensibilities with electro beats, "Specifics" provides an amalgam of synth-driven melodies, live instrumentation and assorted digitalia. The opening cut, "Still Love in the Midwest," opens with a staccato drum track punctuated by dreamy jazz chords and electronics. Throughout the record the rhythm section of Drew Schmeiding (Bass) and Chad Pratt (Drums) provides a solid framework for the electronic gadgetry of Ben Mullins.

In a nutshell, they're Tortoise, only more fun. – Patrick Labadie

1930s horror films at Meadow Brook

Does dinner with Mummy sound fun?

Just in time for Halloween, Meadow Brook Hall is opening the doors of its Grand Ballroom Theatre welcoming Hollywood's Golden Age in horror films, the 1930s. Every Wednesday in the month of October, Meadow Brook Hall will present "Dinner and a Movie," where film patrons will be treated to an indepth look into that week's film while dining on a three course meal. Classic films in this tribute to the 1930s horror icons include: "Dracula" on Oct. 2,

"King Kong" on Oct. 9, "The Mummy" on Oct. 16, "Frankenstein" on Oct. 23 and finalizing with "The Bride of Frankenstein" on Oct. 30. Admission is only \$22, which proves cost effective for the college student looking to find fun ways to spend their chilly October nights. Doors open at 7 p.m. and space is limited, so make sure to call (248) 370-3140 for reservations. Make it a frightfully fun evening with the undead with "Dinner and a Movie," at Meadow Brook Hall.

TABLE TWO

84 Adams Road, Rochester Hills (248) 375-5100 ****

Coffee shop meets restaurant. That's the feeling you get when you enter Cosí, one of the cool restaurants located in the new Rochester village. Cosí is definitely a place begging to be

explored. Be prepared, there's usually a

10-15 minute wait. With its relaxed atmosphere, Cosí takes dining out to a whole new level. Loud, fast and comfortable is what you'll find in this stylish and modern setting.

The wait staff is friendly and very helpful in this non-smoking environment If you like choices, then you'll

love Cosí's elaborate menu.

The drink menu has everything from coffee and cider to arctics, frozen espresso drinks to and steamers, skim milk with a flavor shot of your choice.

For the people who like a little kick to their coffee, Cosí offers a

full liquor bar, which accompanies a variety of coffee and specialty drinks such as its mocha martini.

Whether its spreadables, which are on the bland side, or its thin and crispy pizza pies, Cosí's signature brick oven baked bread is used in many of

There is a large variety of pastas and sandwiches for those whose tastes expand beyond

Be sure to leave room for desserts.

Cosi's world famous s'mores are brought to your table, camp fire and all, so you can play with your food and eat it too.

Whether it's breakfast, lunch or dinner, morning, noon or night, Cosi's menu changes with the time.

Breakfast and lunch are only offered as a self-service, but after 5 p.m., the dining room is

open with a full service staff. For \$6-\$12, you can get a warm and 'Cosi' meal.

- Stephanie Tomovska

Television



New Jersey's first 'family' returns in fourth season on HBO.

It's a family affair

The highly acclaimed TV phenomenon "The Sopranos" is back and in full swing in its fourth season on HBO.

Through three episodes, things are already heating up for Tony Soprano, both at home and with his mafia crew. His sister Janice is sleeping with one of his capos, Ralphie. His Uncle Junior is getting ready to go to trial. His daughter Meadow, still distraught over the loss of boyfriend Jackie Jr., is threatening to drop college to leave to Europe to "find herself' against her parents will.

Tony isn't getting quite the respect that he's deserves. While Paulie is locked away and turning to the bosses in New York for acceptance, Christopher has been pulled up in rank to capo. Unfortunately, Christopher can't fix his heroin habit, and his girlfriend Adriana has been pulled into investigation by the F.B.I after an agent was set as a decoy to be her friend. This season looks like it will end with the demise of one, if not more, of the series regulars. - Brian Urreta

Coming of age in 1970s New Zealand

By Patrick Labadie ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

After a successful career in television commercials, director Christine Jeffs makes a successful transition into films with her debut feature "Rain."

Jeffs, who also adapted the screenplay from the eponymous 1994 novel, weaves a delicate and sensual coming-of-age tale set among the picturesque New

Zealand coastline in 1972. Janey (Alicia Fulford-Wierzbicki), a 13-year-old girl, is spending the summer in a seaside cottage with her parents Ed and Kate (Sarah Peirse and Allistair Browning) and her little brother, Jim (Aaron Murphy). While her parents drown their failed marriage in a sea of alcohol, the kids are left to their own

Their carefree days at the beach - frolicking, swimming and leafing through pornos are juxtaposed with their parents' world of drunken parties and questionable morals.

A rugged photographer (Martin Csokas) enters the mix and begins a casual affair with

Janey views her mother's morals with cold detachment although she begins to realize her own sexuality and begins

competing for his affections. Janey begins to venture into the more treacherous waters of adulthood with tragic conse-

Mainly a character piece, the film relies on Jeffs' camera, which uses evocative and sensual imagery to create an atmosphere of personal tur-

Fulford carries the film. She

Rain

Rated R Running Time: 92 minutes

is perfect as a girl who is towing the line between childhood and adolescence.

These are flawed characters ambling their way through life. While the film occasionally drifts into cliches, the acting

and cinematography keep it

The performances, especially by the children are remarkable. Fulford-Wierzbicki, with her expressive face, has just the right combination of clumsy girlishness and Lolita sex appeal. Murphy also does fine work in a role that could easily

have become trite. Though the melodramatic climax leaves a bad taste in the mouth, it's easily forgiven when there's so much to like

about the film.

Jeffs, who also adapted the screenplay, does a fine job creating a palpable atmosphere.

Her affinity for over-cranked shots combined with Toon's clever composition give the film a luminous, sensual look. Toon exploits the beauty of the New Zealand seascape to its full potential. The lush images underline character's emotions rather than calling attention to

themselves. The film is structured much like 1997's "The Ice Storm" where the parental self-indulgence is viewed from the eyes of children, although "Rain" lacks the meanness that "The Ice Storm" treats its characters

"Rain" is showing exclusively at the Detroit Film Theatre. Call (313) 833-3237 for ticket

Editor's Pick

Brave New Waves

With pop radio littered with mediocre music in heavy rotation, it seems like there is little out there worth listening to. There is hope for those who still desire to hear great new music. Its name: Brave New Waves.

The program has been bringing listeners the underground's freshest music for more than a decade, developing a cult following in the process. The show features everything from folk to rock to avant-garde jazz to all things electronic. Host Patti Schmidt, with her seductive radio voice and seeming endless wealth of musical knowledge, makes this probably the best radio show on the air today. The show boasts frequent artist interviews and band spotlights.

Based in Montreal, Brave New Waves broadcasts from midnight-4 a.m. Monday-Friday on CBC (89.9 FM) making it the perfect soundtrack for that late night study session.

Check out its website www.bravenewwaves.ca for comprehensive playlists and show updates. - Patrick Labadie

Student Program Board's UPCOMING EVENTS...

Wednesday, October 10 12-2 Gold Rooms

SPB Gallery #2

SPB is looking for any artists op aspiring artists to join us for an afternoon to create your very own masterpiece! Everyone is welcome to come! This event is totally free to OU students!

Wednesday, October 2 8-10:30 Bumpers Game Room, OC

KARAOKE

If you missed the last one, be sure to attend our second karaoke event! This week's theme is "Hoedown". Come dressed to impress in your jeans and cowboy hats! This event is free to OU students!

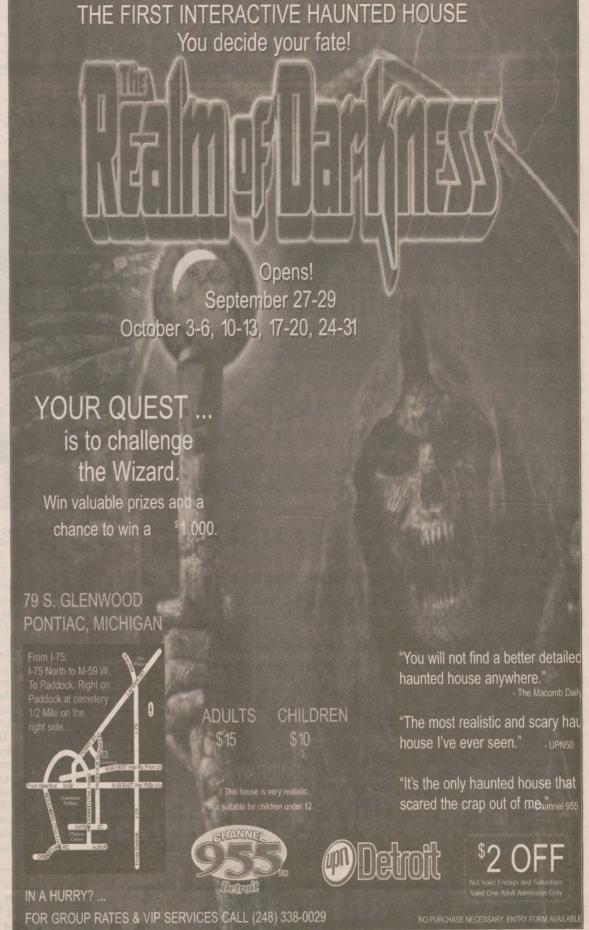
Thursday, October 3 8:00 Food Court

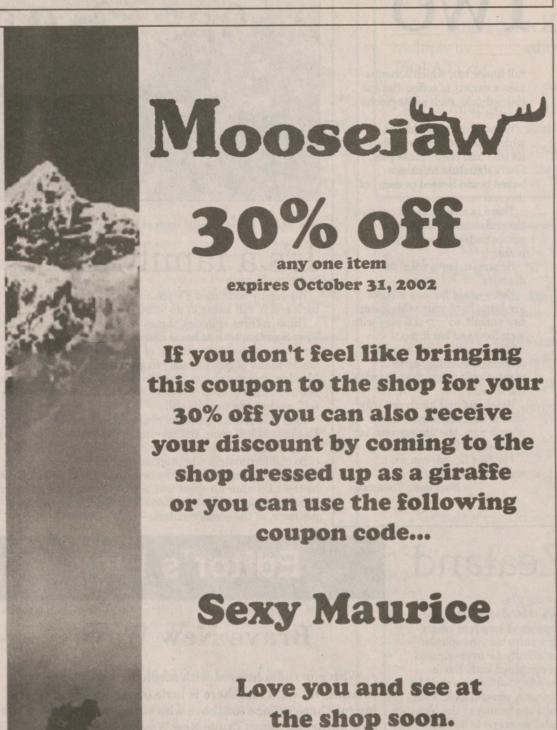
KNEE DEEP SHAG

Our first concert of the year is sure to be a hit here at OU. Don't miss your chance to see this awesome group perform live in our food court! Admission is free to OU student and only \$5.00 for guests.

***SPB and ABS are still taking sign-ups for our 2nd annual talent show. If you have a talent that you want to share with OU and want to have a chance to win some cash, come on by the office to pick-up some more info.

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