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# VPAA finalists visit campus

## Board debates university future at retreat

By TANIA PREPOLEC  
Assistant News Editor

A bare quorum of Trustees were updated on the results of Creating the Future Task Forces, and on the ongoing North Central Accreditation Self Study during the second day-long Board retreat held on Monday at the Novi Hilton.

Four out of seven Board members attended the retreat, which was lead by Board Chair David Doyle, said Mary Beth Snyder, vice president for student affairs.

The retreat was also attended by OU students, staff, and almost 300 community leaders, she said. Approved by the Board in October 1997, the Creating the Future Initiative consists of nine task forces comprised of OU officials and community leaders who make suggestions on ways to improve OU.

Task forces exist for the College of Arts and Sciences, Information Systems, Library and Learning Resources, Market Positioning and Visibility, the School of Education and Human Services, the School of Business Administration, the School of Engineering and Computer Science, the School of Health Sciences, the School of Nursing, and Campus and Student Life.

Deans and vice presidents

spoke on behalf of their respective schools, as well as Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Bill Macauley, Vice Provost Bill Connellan, Vice President for University Relations David Disend, and Snyder.

Some ideas discussed were expanding the OC, providing engineering courses at the Macomb Community College University Center, internationalizing the curriculum, lifelong learning, managed care programs, and student apartments on campus, Snyder said.

"In all cases, we were able to share the central ideas of each task force, but did not have time to elaborate at this point," Snyder said.

A Creating the Future document was published last May which combined all the task force reports, Snyder said.

The Board was able to read the CTF final recommendations, as well as meet with the facilitators, she added.

According to Snyder, OU's "internal consultation and governance systems will ultimately decide priorities concerning the recommendations."

"This was our opportunity to share with the Board the many ideas that came out of the indi-

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**FINAL VISITORS:** (top) Y.T. Shah addressed the OU community at the public presentation Friday. (bottom) Esposito mingled with OU community at the reception yesterday.

At the end of the search, OU President Gary Russi will choose one candidate to recommend to the Board for the position.



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## Shah proposes five future challenges

By HILLARY CRAWFORD  
Staff Writer

Y.T. Shah, a candidate for vice president of academic affairs and provost, evoked positive reactions from the OU community during his campus visit Thursday and Friday.

Shah, chief research officer and senior vice president at Clemson University, spent two days in meetings with various OU groups.

At several of the meetings, Shah presented his leadership ideas, including the five challenges he thought every school will be facing in the next four years.

The first challenge Shah discussed was a "Paradigm Shift." This is the change from input, stressing the role of the faculty, to output, stressing what the students should be learning.

Shah said the problem with this idea is the retention of information received in class.

The second challenge Shah discussed was the "Integration of Technology." Shah stressed the ideas of distance learning, learning via the Internet or via the comfort of one's dorm or home.

Shah said there is a line that could be crossed by utilizing this new learning style too much because of the amount of competition.

The third challenge Shah discussed was the "Hold of Information Explosion." He stat-

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## Esposito stresses faculty growth

By HILLARY CRAWFORD and  
JENN MADJAREV  
Staff Writer and Photo Editor

Louis Esposito, the second VPAA/Provost finalist to visit campus, spent Monday and Tuesday meeting OU groups.

Esposito arrived Sunday night from University of Massachusetts, Boston, where he currently teaches economics, and where he served as vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost from 1994-97.

Esposito stressed the significance of education development, and stated two things he considers important to enhance academics: innovativeness in curriculum and high profile faculty.

"I think Oakland is one of the best regular public universities in the country," Esposito said of his decision to apply.

"I would like to be at a university that's going up," he said. "It's clearly going to get better over time."

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## Donor recognition policy

The following is the OU Policy for Recognition of Donors, approved by the Board of Trustees on May 18, 1987 and amended by the Board on June 8, 1995.

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## Wanat to come on Monday

By LIDIJA MILIC  
News Editor

The third VPAA/Provost candidate is scheduled to spend the beginning of next week at OU.

John Wanat, executive associate vice chancellor for academic affairs and vice provost at University of Illinois, Chicago, will meet with university groups Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 1 and 2.

The itinerary of Wanat's visit is as follows:

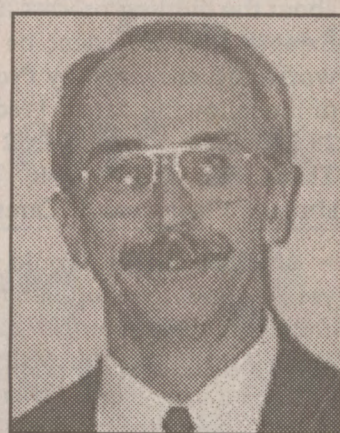
For Monday, Feb. 1:

- 7:30 a.m., breakfast with the Board of Trustees and OU President Gary Russi at the Meadow Brook Hall;
- 9:15-10:15 a.m., meeting with the provost office staff in the Meadowbrook Room, OC;
- 10:30-11:30 a.m., meeting with student representatives in the Oakland Room, OC;
- 12-1:30 p.m., lunch with Russi in the Meadow Brook Hall;
- 1:45-3 p.m., meeting with academic chairs and directors in the Oakland Room, OC;
- 3:15-4:15 p.m., meeting with the AAUP executive committee in the Meadowbrook Room, OC;
- 4:30-5:30 p.m., open forum in the political science conference room;

- 6-8 p.m., dinner with political science faculty members.

For Tuesday, Feb. 2:

- 7:30 a.m., breakfast with the cabinet in the Meadowbrook Room, OC;
- 9:15-10:15 a.m., meeting with the University Senate committees: steering, budget and planning, in the Oakland Room, OC;
- 10:30-11:45 a.m., meeting with the student affairs group in Room 125, OC;
- 12-1:15 p.m., lunch with the Deans Council in the Meadowbrook Room, OC;
- 1:30-2:30 p.m., campus and tech park tour, conducted by David Disend, vice president of university relations;
- 3-4 p.m., public presentation by Wanat in the



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**CANDIDATE: John Wanat arrives Monday.**

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## FAST

## FACTS

• Phone renewal is now available at Kresge Library.

Library materials (excluding ILLs and reserves) can be renewed at (248) 370-2450.

Phone renewal hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 2-9:30 p.m.; Saturdays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; and Sundays from 1-9 p.m.

If materials have holds on them placed by another person, they cannot be renewed by phone.

Overdue fines are 25 cents per day per book whether renewed by phone or in person. Callers must have the book barcode and

library card number available.

• The Student Advisory Board will hold an open meeting Tuesday, Feb. 2, at 2 p.m. in room 125 OC.

• The English Department will hold a Career Day on Tuesday, Feb. 2, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Oakland Room, OC.

OU English alumni will speak

about getting jobs and utilizing undergraduate skills in their field.

Joyce Esterberg from Career and Placement Services will speak on internships and services provided by CPS.

Refreshments will be served.

• "Religious Cults and the Millennium" lecture will be presented by Gary Shepherd, sociol-

ogy and anthropology chair, on Feb. 3 from noon-1p.m. in Goldroom A, OC.

• St. John Fisher University Parish is looking for students to help send relief to areas of Guatemala ravished by Hurricane Mitch.

To volunteer, e-mail [Abad@oakland.edu](mailto:Abad@oakland.edu), or call (248) 370-2189.

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# ON CAMPUS

## Students to get credits for tax payment

By KRISTI TWORK  
Staff Writer

No matter how much we may want to avoid it, tax time is coming.

Although tax season means headaches for many, new laws which went into effect last year may help ease the pain of the experience.

The Tax Relief Act of 1997 (TRA 97) includes two new programs which will provide credits for college students to apply toward their federal taxes.

Because OU participates in the federal student aid program, OU students may qualify for the Hope Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit. These tax credits can be used toward payment of federal income taxes.

Kelly Carter, manager of Receivables and Cashiering Services at OU, said students should receive their IRS form 1098T Tuition Payments Statement by Feb. 1.

This form will provide information to help students determine their eligibility for the Hope

Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit.

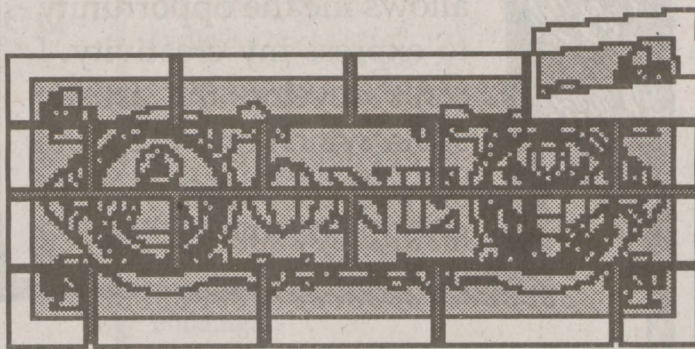
"I know some students have been calling now that it's after Jan. 1, wanting to know when they'll be receiving their 1098T," Carter said.

She said she wants to alert students to watch their mail for this form.

"OU has contracted with NCS (National Computer Systems, Inc.) to prepare 1098's for all the students," Carter said.

Included on the form will be a toll-free information number to assist students with general questions regarding eligibility for the TRA 97 tax credit.

According to the NCS fact sheet, to qualify for the Hope Credit, students must be enrolled in their



freshman or sophomore year of college for at least half time, and have an adjusted gross income level (AGI) less than the amount allowed.

For a single student, or for a student who is claimed as a dependent on a return filed as single, the AGI must be below \$50,000.

For students or dependents claimed on a married filing jointly return, income cannot exceed \$100,000.

These credits can only be claimed for two years per student.

The amount of credit is determined by the expense paid by the tax payer for tuition, or other fees required by the university as a term of enroll-

ment and can be as much as \$1,500.

The amount includes 100 percent of the first \$1,000 spent on tuition, and 50 percent of the next \$1,000.

These credits are non-refundable, that is, if the tax credit is more than the amount owed taxes, the excess will not be paid to the student.

The Lifetime Learning Credit is available to all college students (including graduate level) and may be claimed for as many years as the student is enrolled.

The amount of credit is determined by figuring 20 percent of the first \$5,000 paid for tuition, and be as much as \$1,000.

Students who wish to inquire about their eligibility for the Hope Credit or the Lifetime Learning Credit should refer to IRS Publication 970 or the IRS Form 8863.

For copies, call toll-free 1-800-TAX-FORM, or download information from [http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/prod/forms\\_pubs](http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/prod/forms_pubs) on the Internet.



The Pioneer Food Court in the OC was jammin' yesterday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., as students got a taste of video fame.

Ken Harris (left), sociology freshman, and Terrence Johnson, undecided freshman, were among many who got a free tape with their own musical performance at the "Record Your Own Video" feat, sponsored by SPB.

The best video could also win a prize of \$10,000 from the Kramer Entertainment Agency who organized the event.

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## Women's Studies still hoping for coordinator, major

By DIANE FRKAN  
Staff Writer

After years of attempts, the Women's Studies faculty and the WS executive committee are no closer to having an appropriate coordinator hired to establish the program as a major.

According to Susan Hawkins, associate professor of English and WS faculty member, the work has been in process since 1991.

David Downing, interim vice president of academic affairs and provost, suggested that WS become a major, Hawkins said.

The WS faculty consists of members of five departments who have expressed interest in maintaining the program. They come from the following departments: sociology and anthropology, English, history, modern languages and political science.

In order for the WS concentration to become a major program, a coordinator has to be hired first. Recently the posi-

tion was held by Susan Hayworth Hoepfner, assistant professor of sociology and anthropology.

According to Natalie Cole, associate professor of English and member of the WS executive committee, in October of 1998, 75 faculty members including nine department chairs signed a petition asking OU administration to move forward on hiring a permanent faculty position.

"Women's Studies, like every other academic discipline on our campus, requires adequate resources," Cole said.

Copies were sent to both CAS Interim Downing, and OU President Gary Russi.

Conversations between Downing and the WS executive committee last December resulted in a promise from Downing to open the search for the position, if certain criteria are met.

The criteria were that support letters from Macauley and four department

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**"It's time for Oakland's administration to give Women's Studies the respect it deserves."**

Susan Hawkins  
Associate Professor of English

## Director of Lowry child care center leaves

By KRISTI TWORK  
Staff Writer

While Claire Rewold earned her Early Childhood degree here at OU, her children were enrolled at the Lowry Center for Early Childhood Education. Upon graduation in 1983, her first position was at Lowry.

Now, after 15 years of service, including four years as director, Rewold is moving on.

Citing philosophical conflicts as reason for leaving, Rewold resigned Jan. 5 from the position of director of the Lowry Center.

She plans to earn her doctorate degree in Early Childhood so that she can teach at the college graduate level. She will also be involved in co-writing children's research material.

"Part of what attracts me to (OU) is being in the school setting. I am kind of a school junkie myself. It just seems stimulating to be at the university... Other places, I don't think, get the caliber of people (staff)," Rewold said.

"Part of the benefits that the teachers get from working here are some tuition credits so it encourages everyone to go on (with their education)," she said.

Lowry pre-school teacher and OU Early Childhood graduate student Erin Sturr will act as interim director while a committee searches for Rewold's replacement, said Sharnan McNair, faculty director for Lowry.

The committee will be made up of OU faculty, Lowry staff and parents. A new director is expected to be appointed by June, McNair said.

According to McNair, the staff change

comes in the midst of an effort to recommit the Lowry Center to serving the needs of OU students, staff and faculty, rather than the surrounding community.

Although Rewold left for unrelated reasons, McNair indicated that this is an issue Lowry staff have only begun to deal with.

Over 230 people are signed up on a waiting list to enroll their children at Lowry. Included on the list are 33 students and seven staff or faculty members.

"It's interesting, because when I first came in three years ago, there were a lot less students who were interested in the Lowry Center," McNair said.

"Demographics have changed. This is the first year we have not been able to accommodate all the students' needs."

McNair added that students who want to enroll their children at Lowry need to register early and bring in copies of their schedule.

The Lowry Center has only two copies of student schedules who are on the waiting list.

"Students have first priority, faculty second, and community third. Community is always the last person called on the waiting list," McNair said.

There are currently no plans for growth to accommodate the rising child care needs.



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**LOWRY CENTER: The leadership change coincided with increased demand for child care.**

"If the School of Education ever gets slated for another building, we would hope to get it. We could use a portable out here," McNair said.

### CRIME

### WATCH

#### Naked Man Arrested on Shoplifting Warrant

An OU Police officer was on a routine patrol last Monday night when he discovered two undressed people in a car

parked in a residence lot across from family housing.

The woman was an OU student, while the man had no OU affiliations.

Upon checking the identifications of the two in the car, the officer discovered on the LEIN system that the Sterling Heights Police department held a warrant on the man's name for a misdemeanor of shoplifting.

The warrant was confirmed by SHPD and the man was arrested.

At the OUPD station, he posted bond

of \$100 and was advised to report to the SHPD within ten days to answer the shoplifting charge.

The man was then released.

#### Woman Arrested over Parking Violation

A residence hall student was arrested Thursday after the OUPD checked her LEIN record and found a warrant.

The woman was summoned by the OU Police to move her car, illegally

parked in the Hamlin circle.

The police found that the woman had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant for a license plate violation from the West Bloomfield Township Police department, and that her license was suspended.

The warrant was confirmed and the woman was told there was a \$400 bond. She told police she did not have the money to pay for it and was taken in.

After the arrest, the woman was transported to the West Bloomfield police

station.

#### Hub Cap Missing

An OU staff member reported last Wednesday that a hub cap was missing from her car.

The woman told police she parked her car in the lot across from the Graham Health Center Wednesday morning.

When she returned in the evening, the hub cap was missing from her Volkswagen.



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## EDITOR'S VIEW

### Swift justice never likely

Just do it.  
Do what?

Conclude the Impeachment proceedings.

After all, there are more important things to do such as improve education, reform Social Security and decrease taxes.

But, wait; there is more.

It's time to move ahead with national security and defense methods, focus on minimum wage legislation and restore Medicare.

These are just some of the tasks the United States President, William Jefferson Clinton, is responsible for (for how much longer, no one knows).

They are also things that people in this country wish our President would devote his utmost attention to. But, is that possible?

One would assume not, considering that Clinton has been wrapped up for more than a year in an Oval Office scandal and, now, an impeachment process.

Could this be the reason for the most recent cries from Senators, legislators, lawyers and Americans? And, what cry, you ask?

A cry for a long overdue, quick end to it all.

In a recent *Detroit News* article, political analyst Charles Cook said Republicans have two groups of people looking over their shoulders.

He said two-thirds of Americans want to see the "Clinton in Crisis" debates disappear, while one-third of Americans want to see him out of office.

But the American public isn't the only voice speaking for a speedy conclusion.

Senators including Richard Shelby, R-Ala., Phil Gramm, R-Texas, and Edward E. Kennedy, D-Mass., have all spoken of the need for a quick finale.

In fact, some are so eager, they are taking extra steps in hopes to make it happen.

For instance, Gramm and Kennedy would like to limit the number of witnesses to be questioned, and *The Detroit News* reported that Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, made a "motion to open Senate deliberations (instead of) immediately ending the trial." The motion, however, was rejected.

Unfortunately, most of the time, people can't always have what they want.

This is a sensitive, major issue at hand, that has to go through the proper judicial procedures.

It's ironic that everyone wants to see the President punished for not following the law, some even want to see him booted, yet many people are asking and encouraging lawmakers to find loopholes.

Yes, Clinton broke the law, in several ways, including perjury himself in front of a grand jury, and now everyone expects justice to be served "quickly."

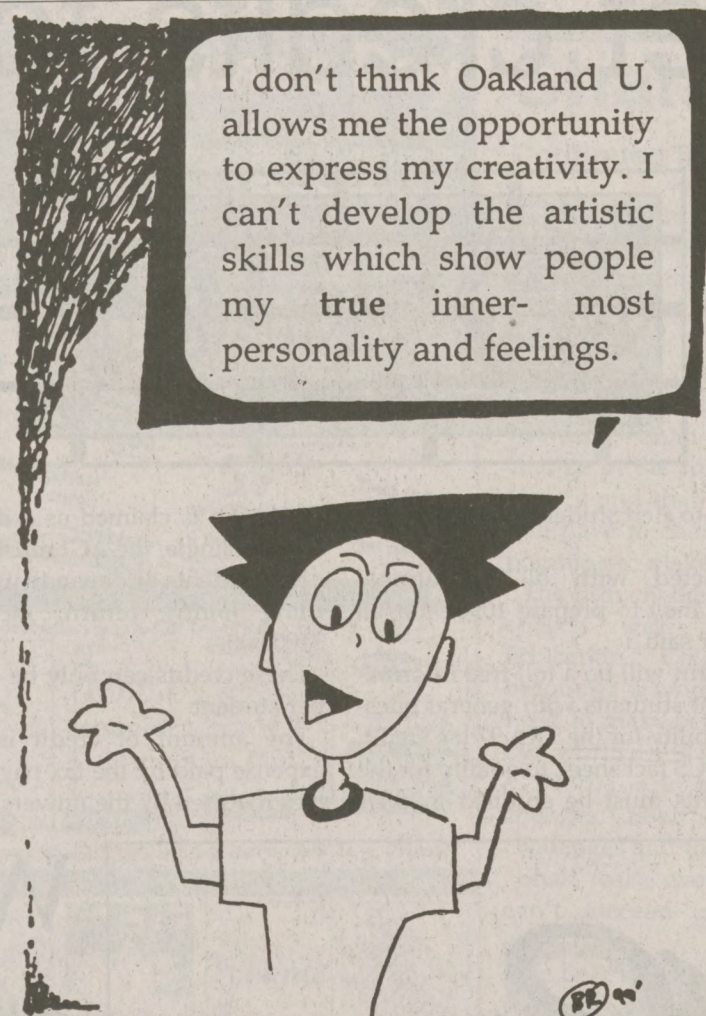
When it comes to the justice system, "quickly" isn't in the judicial lingo. Cases that others find ridiculous and insignificant take years to conclude.

What people now need to do is wait it out. If people want Clinton to be treated as any other American would, let justice take its course.

JEANNEE KIRKALDY

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# PERSPECTIVES



## MEN'S BATHROOM



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### OU: College campus or Club Med?

Dear Editor,

There have been many letters from faculty and OU administrators concerning the ... well, shall we say, commodification of education at this University.

Regrettably, the student voice, so to speak, remains unheard and unexercised. Let's put it this way: one particular OU professor (and you know who you are) kindly referred to our school as "Apathy U." And though most were offended, she was, blackly, very precise.

No one going to this school seems to care much about what happens. Is it because the majority of us commute? Isn't there more to a Bachelor's degree than merely getting some office job?

We, however, are not the only ones to blame; there are other forces at work. Let's examine various events which have transpired in the past year or two. New construction for science and engineering majors (while the Foundation Halls should be condemned); a school nickname change from "Pioneers" to "Golden Grizzlies"—there are no Grizzlies in Michigan, and the ones I've seen on TV haven't been yellow—our new mascot makes me think of our school like an expansion franchise; meanwhile, can you think of another Division I program with the nickname "Pioneers?" Come to think of it, there's tons of new grisly merchandise in the bookstore, and isn't there a shop in the newly constructed sports arena? I don't exactly know who's to blame; perhaps people such as President Gary Russi, Interim VPAA and Provost David Downing and Vice President for University Relations David Disend. Perhaps others.

I would like to know how President Russi

had the nerve last month to walk past our polite, woefully ill-numbered protest with that unnerving smirk on his face like you think you only see in Washington or in the movies, but really exists. He had some other stuffed shirts, busy on their cell-phones before the meeting began. Did you all know that about 260 acres of that beautiful woodland, marshland and meadowland is in the process of being ripped from the ground for... wait a minute... another golf course?

I'm positive there's already one 18-hole course, come to think of it, I've never seen anyone playing a single time on any of the days I'd used the former trails to hike. People who have put hard work into their post-graduate research have had it jeopardized. I saw a baby deer running along the fence on Squirrel last month with its head dripping in blood, its movements frantic and agonizing, but I guess we really do need another golf course—you know, to kiss corporate can and court corporate cash.

I recently saw our university advertised on a Ford commercial, we have a sign for Pepsi on Adams Road ("Education for a New Generation?"), and a recent addition of the Oakland Press reported that the University plans to build a hotel on campus grounds. President Russi, is this a school or Club Med—Rochester?

I wish you'd stick to power lunches and conference calls and leave education to those who have it foremost in mind. You and your colleagues should be ashamed for your lack of vision and ridiculed for being either dumb or ignorant to the global environmental situation at hand. If you wanted to be progressive, to move the University into the 21st century, you should've tried preserving one of the last green belts in the area instead of

turning it into a damned golf course.

Gary Russi, Inc. is selling out our education to the highest bidder. Unless you're in the above mentioned fields or an athlete, how are you benefitting? Humanities and social science majors have no real place at OU. A 300 level English class with more than 20 people is a crime, let alone the 35-40 that OU regularly packs into classrooms—universities like Harvard and Yale started out by catering to local business interests but with solid liberal arts courses and grew into great centers of learning. Learning for its own sake has been replaced here at OU by a mercenary type of pragmatism which is reflected in administration policy.

If any of you give a damn about the integrity of your education, I'd advise that you speak out.

Like Washington crossing the Delaware unbeknownst to the drunken Prussians who waited on the far bank, Russi, Inc. sent their bulldozers right to work as soon as the University broke for vacation.

I went walking with a friend to survey the damage. We were speechless. It was absolute carnage. As I stepped into my car I saw a doe and three fawns making their way across a field of mud and tree-stumps which used to be the woods, used to be their home—on all sides bulldozers surrounded them. I wonder if they ever found refuge.

They will continue to sell us out if you remain silent.

Can a grizzly, even a golden one, really make its home in a sand trap? Russi, Inc. would have you think so.

Sincerely,  
Ryan F. Anderson  
English, 1998

### Department members question comic

Dear Editor,

Your decision to publish the Washington/Shapiro comic, "Ethnic humor, inoffensive because it's created by members of the ethnic groups," is troubling.

We presume by your editorial that the Jan. 20 issue is dedicated to the "dream" of which Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke. If this is the case, why include a racist cartoon in an issue that challenges us to deal with our assumptions and stereotypes of race?

A cartoon written by members of the ethnic group represented is not inoffensive because of its apparent racial inclusion. Au contraire, it is more offensive because it perpetuates racial/ethnic stereotypes and maintains the status quo.

In fact ethnic humor and joking are powerful reinforcing prejudice because they make stereotypes seem harmless.

King's dream involves understanding, respecting, appreciating, and valuing the dignity and rights of all citizens within society.

Are we prepared to meet this challenge?

Sincerely,

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## SETTING IT STRAIGHT

THE OAKLAND POST corrects factual errors that appear on its pages.

• In last week's issue of THE OAKLAND POST, "Tom the Dancing Bug's Super-Fun-Pak Comix" ran for the first time. This is a weekly comic distributed by Universal Press Syndicate, to which the POST has subscribed. The comic is selected and dated each week by the syndicate. In the future, the comics will be screened more carefully, since the syndicate apparently doesn't censure what our readership may find offensive.

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## Policy

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nearest \$5,000 threshold.

Suggested Naming Amounts:

A) Student Recreation and Athletic Center:

Natatorium, \$1 million

Arena, \$1 million

Recreation Gym (three-court gym on the recreation level), \$300,000

## Nominations are now being accepted for the following student awards:

### WILSON AWARDS

Nominees for the 1999 Matilda R. Wilson and Alfred G. Wilson Awards must be graduating seniors in April 1999 or have graduated in June, August or December 1998. The awards recognize one female and one male who have contributed as scholars, leaders, and responsible citizens to the Oakland University community. Nominees must have a strong academic record, usually a 3.3 or higher G.P.A.

### HUMAN RELATIONS AWARD

The Human Relations Award recognizes a senior student who has made an outstanding contribution to intergroup understanding and conflict resolution in the Oakland University community. The major consideration of the award is the individual's service to the community.

Nomination forms are available at the Dean of Students Office, 144 Oakland Center, or by calling 370-3352. Deadline for both nominations is February 15, 1999.

### M.A.G.B. AWARDS

Nominees for the 1999 Michigan Association of Governing Boards (M.A.G.B.) Outstanding Student Awards must be at least junior standing, have an academic record of 3.0 or better G.P.A. and have distinctive leadership and community contributions. Nomination forms are available in the Dean of Students Office, 144 Oakland Center. Deadline for M.A.G.B. nominations is February 12, 1999.

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1 Large Classroom, \$100,000

7 Medium Classrooms, \$75,000

Faculty Offices:

5 Large Offices, \$15,000

96 Small Offices, \$10,000

The list was provided by the OU media relations department.

## Retreat

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vidual task forces," she added.

The second issue, presented by Vice Provost Susan Awbrey, was the status of the North Central Accreditation Self Study.

The evaluators for OU's accreditation will come to the university in mid-February.

According to Mary Papazian, Associate Dean of the College of

Arts and Sciences, accreditation occurs every ten years. The process is a review of all academic and non-academic units on campus.

"Susan Awbrey presented an overview of the Self Study Process which OU underwent, to prepare them (the Board) for the visit by the evaluators in February," Papazian said.

"It was a chance to brief the Board on the Self Study Process and the substance of the report," she said.

## WS

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chairs to be sent to Downing by Dec. 20 last semester, a decision would be made regarding the coordinator position by Jan. 15, 1999.

Cole said that this was done, but after several inquiries from WS executive committee and a phone conversation between Cole and Macauley Monday, Jan. 25, the position would only be approved if the person hired did not assume administrative responsibilities for the first four years.

However, a meeting is planned between Macauley and the WS executive committee on Thursday, Jan. 28 to discuss the situation.

After about ten years of various faculty members doing the coordinator position for free, the executive committee urged then CAS Dean Downing in 1994 to

hire a permanent coordinator.

But after three years of unfulfilled promises from administrators, the WS executive committee felt that if they allowed temporary positions, the real issue would never be resolved.

It seems that OU administration is constantly postponing resources needed to hire the coordinator position, Cole said.

Cole added, "Sadly, in recent years, faculty at Oakland have been compelled to spend far too much energy playing shell-games with administrators over issues of academic quality for our students. The Orwellian difficulty in hiring a Women's Studies coordinator is a case in point."

Hawkins also felt that the College of Arts and Sciences does not really support the WS department.

"It's time for Oakland's administration to give Women's Studies the respect it deserves," Hawkins said.

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Marcy Kaptur (D), U.S. Congresswoman, Ohio writes: "Mr. Cole has obviously invested a great deal in researching his subject and I admire his tenacious curiosity. Again, I thank you for sharing this documentary with myself and other Members of Congress." Yehuda Bauer, head of the Hebrew University's Institute of Contemporary Jewry and Humanities (Jerusalem), writes: "A powerful, dangerous video...."

The Jewish Defense League writes (in a "Wanted" ad for Mr. Cole, on the Internet, which includes Cole's photograph): "An evil monster like this does not deserve to live.... We must get rid of this monster.... There needs to be ... the elimination of the Holocaust deniers. JDL wants to know the location of ... David Cole. Anyone giving us his correct address will receive a monetary reward."

The FBI has termed the JDL a "terrorist organization."

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith refuses to publicly condemn the Jewish Defense League, for this language of hate. The reason is clear. The ADL, by proxy, is "using" this threat of violence against a Jewish scholar in its own struggle to help censor open debate on the Holocaust controversy. This betrays our First Amendment and runs contrary to Article 19 of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Who benefits from such censorship? Americans?

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## Esposito

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Esposito defined the position of VPAA/Provost as "the protector of core academic values," and added that it is important for the community to know the provost as a person.

He also said there should be an ongoing communication between the students and the provost.

Esposito said the teachers are a crucial component of the educational institution. He said he wants to help teachers do their best, get stronger, and receive rewards when they excel in their work.

Creating a balance between teachers and research is another important task, Esposito said.

"Technology can really enhance learning," he said.

Esposito added he supports enhanced use of multi-media in the learning process.

With already existing record of developing ethnic diversity at his previous positions, Esposito said he would stress it at every institution.

"I think it's very important to go out and recruit faculty of

color," he said.

Esposito also commented on the pressing issues at the university, mainly the developing golf course and the proposed conference building.

"If (these projects) attract resources to academics, then we should really look at it and consider it," he said.

He also said the conference center would bring more light to the school nationally, as well as becoming Division I did.

At the reception following Esposito's public presentation, some community members gathered and expressed enthusiasm about the candidate.

"I think that he brings a lot of experience to our campus," said Mary Papazian, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

"His institution is very much like ours and that gives him more of an advantage," she said.

Robert Thomas, director of placement and career services, said Esposito impressed him with his directness.

"He's a very candid candidate. His sincerity really comes out. I believe that his academic background is strong, coming from a faculty point of view," Thomas said.

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# OUTSIDE OAKLAND

## COMMUNITY

### CALENDAR

#### FESTIVALS & SHOWS

• **Wolverine Knife Show**  
Jan. 29, noon - 6 p.m.; Jan. 30, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Novi Expo Center, Novi.  
Admission: \$5. Free parking. Call (810) 247-5883.

• **Antique Gun Show**  
Jan. 30, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Jan. 31, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Novi Expo Center, Novi.  
Admission: \$5. Free parking. Call (517) 845-5800.

• **16th Annual Pontiac Silverdome Camper, Travel & RV Show**  
Campers, travel equipment and accessories will be showcased by 25 Michigan dealers, and vacation planning seminars will be held. Jan. 27 - Jan. 29, 3 - 9:30 p.m.; Jan. 30, 11 - 9:30 p.m.; and Jan. 31, 11 - 6 p.m. Pontiac Silverdome. Admission: \$6, ages 6-11 \$3, 5 & under free. Go to [www.shows-pain.com](http://www.shows-pain.com) for more information.

#### LECTURES/WORKSHOPS

• **Lecture on the Extraordinary**  
Robert Taylor discusses ancient methods that can show the paths of our destinies. Jan. 27, 7 - 9 p.m. Grosse Pointe War Memorial, Grosse Pointe. Cost: \$20. Call (313) 881-7511.

• **Computer Genealogy Workshop**  
Dr. Karen Clifford, A.G. shows participants how to use the Internet to trace family history, how to use CD-ROM sources and how to avoid pitfalls in research through 50 minute sessions. Jan. 31, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. WSU College of Lifelong Learning - Oakland Center, Farmington Hills. Call Linda Hinshon at (248) 443-1943 for details and to register.

• **Focus on Families Workshops**  
Great Lakes Crossing Mall is sponsoring free 45 minute family workshops. Topics include: gifted children, "boy" behavior, family laughter, teenage angst, temper tantrums, self-image, weight problems, discipline, day trips and fathering skills. 7:30 p.m. Fridays and 6:30 p.m. Saturdays, now through Feb. 12. Great Lakes Crossing Mall, Auburn Hills. Call (248) 454-5000 to pre-register.

#### JOB FAIRS

• **Construction Job Fair**  
Macomb County is seeking entry-level, skilled and professional workers to fill estimating, engineer, mason, and management jobs in construction. Feb. 3, 2 - 4 p.m., 5:30 - 7 p.m. Macomb Community College, South Campus, Warren. Building K, room K301. Call (810) 228-3469.

#### BENEFITS

• **Swingtime '99**  
The Fanclub Foundation for the Arts fundraiser features strolling dinner, local artwork on display, live auction, and dancing to the Imperial Swing Orchestra. Proceeds benefit cultural organizations. Jan. 30, 7:30 p.m. Fisher Building Lobby, Detroit. Tickets: \$60, \$50 in advance. Call (248) 584-4150.

#### OF INTEREST TO ALL

• **Roll-In-The-Silverdome**  
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• **Used Audio-Video-Computer Sale**  
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Let us know about upcoming community events. Call Outside Oakland Editor Kim Connell at (248) 370-4267.

## U-M, MSU top Peace Corps list

By KIM CONNELL  
Outside Oakland Editor

In the early morning of Oct. 14, 1960, a young presidential candidate named John F. Kennedy stood on the steps of the U-M union. Before a crowd of 10,000 students, he presented a new humanitarian challenge.

How many of them, he asked, would be willing to serve their country and the cause of peace by living and working in the developing world?

The response was enormous, and volunteers poured in from around the nation, thus forming the Peace Corps.

Today, 37 years and over 150,000 volunteers later, the Peace Corps continues to thrive in its state of origin.

According to information released earlier this month by Peace Corps Director Mark Gearan, two Michigan universities made the Peace Corps' top 25 volunteer producing universities and colleges list.

U-M (Ann Arbor) placed at number five in the nation, with 71 volunteers currently serving.

Trailing just behind at number eight is MSU, with 62 volunteers currently serving.

The University of Wisconsin (Madison) leads the nation in Peace Corps volunteers, with 116 serving, followed by the University of Colorado (Boulder) with 91, and the University of Washington with 75.

The list included universities and colleges with more than 5,000 undergraduate students.

OU didn't make the top 25 list, but it still has its share of volunteers.

According to Sharon Watkin of the Chicago Peace Corps offices, there are

29 OU graduates who have recently applied for the Corps, two who have completed service, and only one that has recently been accepted to the program; OU alum Audra Enczur of Pontiac.

The 22-year-old communications major is looking forward to her tour of duty in Madagascar, which begins on Feb. 17.

"I've always loved community service since I was young," Enczur said.

"There are so many possibilities (to help others)," she added.

After filling out a detailed, 12-page application, undergoing numerous tests and interviews, she was accepted into the group for a mandatory two year period.

Enczur's duties in Madagascar will be as a health communication advisor, being the communication link between medical professionals and village people in the largely rural city.

She is required to be fluent in both French and Malagasy, and will teach the locals good health habits.

"(Success in) my job there will be based purely on how well I communicate," Enczur said.

One of her only fears is the language barrier between her and the people, for she will be learning Malagasy from scratch in a twelve-week period before she leaves the United States.

While Enczur is leaving in less than a month for her duty, there are other OU students who look on with admiration and high hopes for the same chance.

Secondary education/history senior

Chuck Neddermeyer hopes to be teaching the underprivileged overseas in South America or Europe.

"We're young, and we shouldn't waste our lives," Neddermeyer said.

He is currently in the process of interviewing, a stage that may take months to complete.

A long-time community volunteer, Neddermeyer got information on the Peace Corps from a poster in a professor's office and requested information.

Besides the occasional posters and ads around smaller campuses like OU, the Peace Corps do

not hold "registration drives."

Russell Stone, another employee at the Chicago office, said commuter schools usually don't turn out high numbers of volunteers.

He also added the government organization has a limited budget and there are too many colleges in the Midwest to visit to hold "drives."

The Corps' regional offices are located in Chicago, with satellite locations at U-M Dearborn and MSU.

Membership in the Peace Corps is for a mandatory two year period. Volunteers may participate in many humanitarian efforts, from agriculture to education to other training of the disadvantaged around the world.

Besides the many benefits of overseas experience, volunteers receive reimbursement for their basic living expenses, and may get deferment on their tuition loans.

For more information on the Peace Corps, visit [www.peacecorps.gov](http://www.peacecorps.gov).



## Sterile piercing prevents allergic reactions

By MELINDA ROCHON  
Advertising Manager

Once reserved for punk rockers, body piercing has hit the mainstream.

People of all ages are sporting a wide range of gems and jewels in a variety of different places.

The popular trend of body piercing, beyond traditional locations such as the earlobes, is a "hole" new way to accessorize.

However, this fashion statement has brought upon an equally unpopular trend in allergic reactions. Locations such as the upper portion of the ears, lips, nose, nasal septum, tongue, navel, breasts and genitalia are frequently chosen for piercing and have played a challenging array of allergic reactions.

Decorative devices made of a variety of materials are frequently used in body piercing procedures. Costume jewelry is often made of alloys which contain different metals. Nickel, cobalt and chrome are frequently present in costume grade rings, studs, and barbells used in body piercing. Allergy to piercing jewelry, particularly earrings, is common and frequently seen when allergenic metals are utilized.

"Among all chemical allergens capable of producing skin disease, nickel is the most common allergen in North America," said David E. Cohen, M.D., M.P.H., Assistant Professor of Dermatology, New York University School of Medicine, NY.

Andy Shields, a 22-year-old body piercer, agrees that jewelry containing low grade materials tend to be very allergenic.

Shields has been the resident body piercer at XS, located in downtown Rochester, for the past two years.

Being introduced to the piercing profession through personal interest, Shields commented, "I've always been attracted to it, ever since I can remember."

He started piercing under supervision about three and a half

years ago, after completing a six-month apprenticeship at another local area shop.

Actual allergic reactions are rare when using the proper jewelry grades and piercing procedures. All piercing jewelry sold at XS is factory direct and is made out of an implant-grade, surgical steel.

According to Dr. Cohen, "Surgical grade stainless steel and titanium probably represent safer materials, even for those allergic to some of the aforementioned metals. Stainless steel also contains nickel, but it is bound in such a way that makes it safe for most nickel-sensitive individuals."

Almost all tools used in a piercing procedure, including the marker used for piercing placement, are only used once at XS.

Needles come prepackaged separately and are thrown away immediately after use, never being used a second time. The only pieces of equipment ever reused are the clamps that hold the skin in place during the piercing process. Autoclaving, a process using extremely high temperatures and pressure, is used to sterilize the clamps between uses.

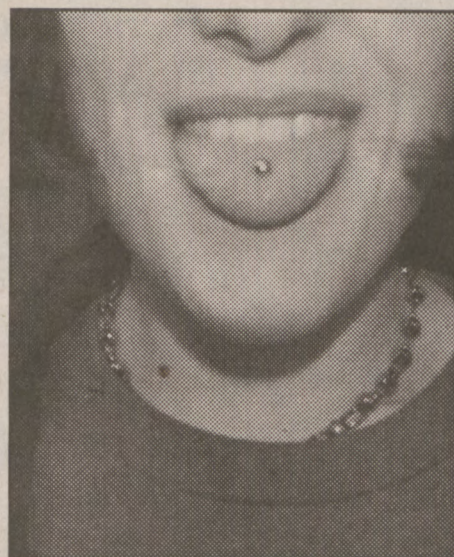
Once you have acquired a new piercing it is very important to keep it clean.

The number one cause of infection in piercings is simply touching it, Shields said. Wash your hands with anti-bacterial

soap before rotating or cleaning your new piercing and also, rinse all soap or piercing cleaner thoroughly.

Healing times vary as much as the body parts being pierced. According to Shields, those people who are in better cardiovascular shape tend to heal faster, in piercings as well as any illness. Mouth piercings tend to heal faster because there is more blood in the area whereas a naval piercing may take up to one year.

When deciding to get pierced, do your homework. Go somewhere you feel comfortable and confident that the body piercer you chose knows what they are talking about and doing.



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**HOLE-Y MOLY! Tongue piercings are gaining in popularity.**

## SETH'S FOUR DAY FORECAST

### Thursday



**Rain / Snow**  
High - 38°  
Low - 32°

### Friday



**Light Snow**  
High - 30°  
Low - 24°

### Saturday



**Partly Cloudy**  
High - 29°  
Low - 24°

### Sunday



**Partly Cloudy**  
High - 36°  
Low - 30°

Seth Wayne is a broadcast journalism sophomore and Weather Forecaster for THE OAKLAND POST.



## Investing on a Budget

**Q:** As a college student, my finances are on a short leash, so I have only \$1,000 to invest. Is it worth it, and where could I invest that little? -- R.K., via the Internet

**A:** Not only is it worth it, but by the time we get through with you, your leash will be long enough to reach the moon (or at least Montauk, N.J.).

Say you're 20 years old now. If you start with \$1,000 and invest an additional \$1,000 each year, and your money earns 10 percent, then when you're ready to retire at age 65, you'll have \$863,685.80. That seems worth it to us. (If you have earned income, you can set up a Roth IRA, and then you won't even pay any taxes on that \$863K when you withdraw it.)

Fortunately, there are some index funds (the only kind of mutual fund Fools like) that require only a \$1,000 minimum to begin investing. So consider an index fund that tracks the S&P 500 as your entree (skip the appetizer) into an investment that has traditionally returned 11 percent a year, and lately has been doing a good bit better than that.

Next on the menu, there's something related to the S&P 500-stock index, called "Spiders." The name is actually an acronym, SPDRs, for S&P Depositary Receipts, which are bought and sold just like individual shares of stock, and which trade under the ticker symbol SPY. Spiders are shares in a unit investment trust that holds stocks that closely track the performance and dividend yield of the S&P 500 index.

For many investors, SPDRs may be cheaper than buying an S&P 500 index fund -- the cost of running SPDRs is lower. However, you also need to pay a commission to buy and sell SPDRs. So if you're planning to add \$50 to \$100 a month to your initial \$1,000 investment (at about \$8 a trade with a discount broker), SPDRs make less sense than an index fund.

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### What Now?

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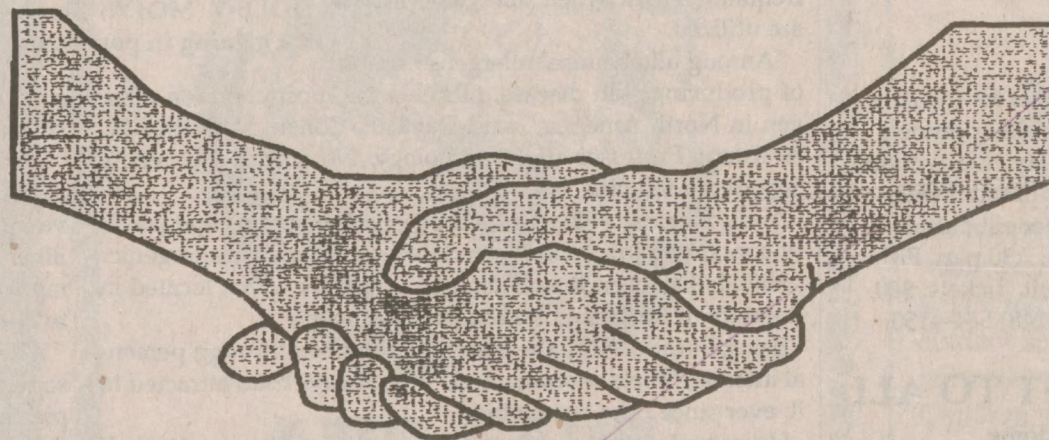
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# Biting off



Photo Courtesy / Jeanne Kirkaldy

**PLANET PANIC:** The celebrity-endorsed Planet Hollywood has experienced increasing profit loss in the past year.

Are theme restaurants like Rainforest Cafe, Planet Hollywood and Johnny Rockets **more than** consumers **can chew?**

By KRYSTAL KALTZ  
Assistant Life Editor

Eating has become so much more than something we do to stay alive.

It is one of the main things to do when people get together socially.

Restaurants have become the place of choice for dates, casual work meetings and general hanging out.

And, theme restaurants seem to have been growing in popularity lately.

Along with the new Great Lakes Crossing mall, the area got several new theme restaurants including the Rainforest Cafe, with a jungle theme; Johnny Rockets, straight out of the '50's; and the Alcatraz Brewing Co. which is based on the infamous prison.

Theme restaurants have become bigger and better.

James Days of Pontiac took his family to the Rainforest Cafe for the Grand Opening.

"We loved the atmosphere," said Days. "It especially helped keep the kids amused during dinner."

A primary reason that many patrons go to the Rainforest Cafe is for their children. This would explain the abundance of children's items available in the restaurant's gift shop.

However, the adults can enjoy it at the same time, making it more versatile than the typical Chuck E. Cheese pizza place.

"We went there for the kids, but it was great," said Jill Moss of Clarkston. "We had a lot of fun!"

The more elaborate the decor, the more popular the restaurant.

Restaurants such as Big Buck Brewery and the Moose Preserve are feeding off the current popularity of "up north."

The December, 1998 issue of US magazine described this phenomenon as the "eatertainment industry," which means that people will be willing to pay more for their food if the atmosphere is entertaining.

And it's true that many people are curious about these hyped-up restaurants and will go to see what all the fuss is about. But will they keep coming back?

According to US magazine, Hard Rock Cafe, Planet Hollywood, New York City's Fashion Cafe and the Rainforest Cafe have all been losing popularity and profit lately.

Could be due to the fact that there are more and more competitors popping up everywhere, or possibly because the consumers are just getting tired of the whole "theme" concept?

It's a fun thing to do on a date, or for a special event, but will people continue to patronize these restaurants regularly?

According to Erik Stukenberg, general manager at Alcatraz Brewing Co., the ratio between weekday to weekend business is indescribable.

"Right now, (Great Lakes Crossing) is primarily a weekend traveler mall,"



Photo Courtesy / Great Lakes Crossing

**POURING IN:** Great Lakes Crossing's popular Rainforest Cafe opened to much fanfare in November.

said Stukenberg. "On weekends we usually have a one to three hour wait."

Other restaurants in the mall have made a similar observation.

"Weekdays and lunch time on the weekends is not that bad," said Stacy Hooper, hostess at the Rainforest Cafe.

Stukenberg expects that weekday business will pick up when the Star Theatre opens up in the mall.

The new mall gives different options in dining and entertainment for people in the immediate area or from as far away as Flint or Detroit.

Mark Seeley, Rainforest Cafe navigator, said "The customers...are local. People have come from Big Rapids or even further to eat here."

If the lines in front of the restaurants are any indication, the success will last quite a while longer.

Deanna Zigler of Detroit was standing in line Friday in front of Johnny Rockets, waiting to give the diner a try.

"We like the 50's style," said Zigler.

Johnny Rockets offers the additional entertainment of a wait staff that will sing along when certain songs play.

But, what restaurateurs are asking, is how long will this novelty last once people try the food and catch a glimpse of the atmosphere?



Post Photo / Jenn Madjarev

**THE NAVIGATOR:** Mark Seeley, a navigator (a.k.a. a bartender) for Rainforest Cafe prepares drinks for customers.

"We get really busy at dinner time, though."

## Event Level Eating

Here's a few of our favorite themed restaurants in the area, and a few not:

- **Rainforest Cafe** (Great Lakes Crossing): It's one of the few "event" places that actually has yummy food.
- **Ed Debevis** (Chicago): A greasy spoon, it's required here that waiters be rude to you. And for some reason, you take it with a smile.
- **All Star Sports Cafe** (New York City): Visit it if only for the feeling that you're in a Nike™ commercial.

Mike  
Murphy



Savor college moments of unpredictability

Anyone with one foot inbounds in reality will tell you that being in college is boring at times.

We've all had classes that we don't like to go to, aren't interested in, and don't care about. For some of us, this is our entire class schedule.

Yet we students still toil away at classes so we can "graduate," which is apparently some sort of mythical term implying that the bearer thereof has completed academic potty training and is fully ready to use the Big Kid Toilet of Real Life.

But no class of any level (even 400) can prepare you for Real Life, because no one knows what it is. I don't know, that's why I'm here.

All I know about life is that anything can happen.

This week's section of "Get Out" deals with life's unpredictability as told through Hollywood's latest cinematic rerun, "She's All That."

Simple story — boy turns nerdy girl into hot prom queen on a bet, it works, boy falls in love with girl, this gets messy, love wins in the end, let's all be happy, run out and buy the soundtrack.

Nevermind that this movie is such a rip off that you can't even see "originality" from where it's standing. It pushes a good message - anything can happen.

Take our weather, for example. First it snows, constantly, for about 6 days straight, burying cars, sidewalks, and anything that stood still for too long outside under about nine feet of powder. Last weekend, the whole damn thing melted into this black gooey mess that made you almost wish for goose poop back. Almost.

Now? It's snowing again. We'll be buried again by tomorrow afternoon, I'm sure. Who knows?

And classes. How many classes have you had that just seem too easy to be true - because they're not? A certain "cop-out" (though I wouldn't call it that) for the language requirement comes to mind. It's always the "easy" class, you take that "seems interesting." It keeps you up until 4 a.m. every night, trying to figure out whether to sleep, keep studying, or immolate your notebook on the funeral pyre you've built for your G.P.A. If you're lucky, you can ace that final and limp out of the class with your dignity and a B. Anything can happen.

Relationships. Especially in collegiate relationships, anything can happen. One moment, you're sharing a moment as you both reach for popcorn during "She's All That." The next moment, she tells you it's over, it's been over, and she needs "time."

Then she'll rip you limb from limb, inside to out, stand over the twitching pile of what used to be you, kick the pile around for a while, then say that she "honestly believes" that she and the pile "will eventually get together" after she gets "things" "sorted out."

I believe that "getting things sorted out," translated, means "getting things sorted out as I spend time dating other, more interesting guys than you."

Now, "She" would definitely not be "All That."

No, this has never happened to me. No, I'm not bitter. Let's move on, okay?

College can be boring, but it's the unpredictability that makes it worthwhile. It could be 70 and snowy tomorrow. Nerds can turn into prom queens, BasketWeaving 103 can be a weeder course and that special someone could be waiting in the darkness, plotting your emotional funeral.

Tread lightly — anything can happen.

Junior Mike Murphy is a journalism major and staff writer for THE OAKLAND POST.



## CURRENT

## EVENTS

## ON CAMPUS

• **AmeriCorps Orientation**, 3:30 today; Room 126-127, OC. Call (248) 370-3213.

• **"Having Our Say,"** 2 p.m. Wednesday; 8 p.m. Friday; 2, 6, and 8 p.m. Saturday; 2 and 6:30 p.m. Sunday; Meadow Brook Theatre. Call (248) 370-4900.

## THEATRE

• **"Moon Over Buffalo,"** 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday, Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday; Grosse Pointe Theatre. Call (313) 881-4004.

• **"The Piano Lesson,"** 8 p.m. Friday; 8 p.m. Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday; Bonstelle Theatre. Call (313) 577-2960.

• **"A Tale of Two Cities,"** 8 p.m. Thursday - Saturday; Hilberry Theatre. Call (313) 577-2972.

• **"Defending the Caveman,"** 8 p.m. Tuesday; Fisher Theatre. Call (248) 645-6666.

• **"Promises, Promises,"** 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday, Saturday; 7 p.m. Sunday; Stagecrafters Baldwin Theatre. Call (248) 561-6430.

## MUSIC

• **Sinead Lohan wsg The Push Stars**, 7 p.m. Friday; 7th House. Call (248) 645-6666.

• **Sloan**, 8 p.m. Friday; Clutch Cargo's. Call (248) 645-6666.

• **Sugar Blue**, 10 p.m. Saturday; Amer's First Street Grill. Call (248) 645-6666.

• **Junichi Hirokami w/ Detroit Symphony Orchestra**, 8 p.m. Thursday; 8 p.m. Friday; 8:30 p.m. Saturday; Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall. Call (313) 576-5100.

• **Chick Corea**, 8 p.m. Friday; Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall. Call (313) 576-5100.

• **"Animal Portraits,"** 10:15 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. Saturday; Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall. Call (313) 576-5100.

• **Teddy Richards, Merge and The Neptunes**, 8 p.m. Saturday; Magic Bag. Call (248) 544-3030.

## EXHIBITS

• **"Beyond the Surface,"** 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday; Paint Creek Center for the Arts, Main Gallery. Call (248) 651-4110.

• **"Water Marks,"** 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday; Paint Creek Center for the Arts. Call (248) 651-4110.

• **"Touch First,"** 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Friday; Midland Center for the Arts, Hall of Ideas. Call (517) 832-1788.

• **"Personal Artifacts in the World of the Samurai Warrior,"** 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Wednesday - Friday; 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday; Detroit Institute of Arts. Call (313) 833-7963.

## MISCELLANEOUS

• **"Haitian Art,"** 2 p.m. Sunday; Detroit Institute of Arts Lecture Hall. Call (313) 833-4249.

• **Lori Lipshaw & Wendy Nicholls Booksigning/Discussion**, 2 p.m. Saturday; Southfield Public Library, Main Level. Call (248) 948-0460.

• **Brew and View: "Very Bad Things,"** 8 p.m. tonight; Magic Bag. Call (248) 544-3030.

• **Brew and View: "Ringmaster,"** 8 p.m. Thursday; Magic Bag. Call (248) 544-3030.

# Motown sounds rock OU

## Aided by live music, lunchtime in the OC hopped and bopped Monday

By PAM HENRIX  
Staff Writer

Motown sounds rocked the walls of the OC Monday in celebration of African-American Month at OU.

Vocalist Margo Michaels, of the duo New Concepts, brought that distinctive sound Berry Gordy honed to the OC's Pioneer Food Court Monday. She began her career singing Motown songs.

Michaels and Terrance Lester, the keyboardists, have been together three years.

Lester said "We use pre-program sequences for all our background accompaniment."

To those of us not hip to show biz terminology, this means they record all their own background music, to include many different instruments that a full size band might use.

Michaels and Lester grew up in the Detroit area, and have been influenced by the sounds of Motown. They said they enjoy jazz, rock and roll, and songs from the top 40.

"The Motown sound is undeniable, and there will never be anything like it again. Gordy leaving Detroit for (Los Angeles) marked the downfall of Detroit," said Michaels.

The competition in California was tough and some Motown legends joined other record labels.

The Motown sound has been the soul of Detroit since 1957.

Barry Gordy Jr. the originator of Motown, wrote and published his first song that year. He wrote the song while working on the line at Ford Motor Co.

During that same year Gordy discovered The Miracles, and that began his recording career.

Gordy is responsible for the development of many Detroit artists.

These artists have been influential in creating the distinctive Motown sound generations have come to know and love.

Among those that Gordy helped to bring fame, and distinction to Detroit are the following: Miracles, Four Tops, Marvelettes, Martha & The Vandellas, Supremes, Temptations, Marvin Gaye, Stevie Wonder, Mary Wells, and Smokey Robinson.

Michaels opened the performance by singing "My Guy" by Mary Wells.

Although Michaels is short in stature, her strong, deep resonating voice carried to the far reaches of the OC.

The crowd started tapping their feet and swaying to the beat. It looked like a few people could barely stop from dancing.

"It's like groovy. I feel like dancing. It's relaxing like elevator music," said Michele Poppino, freshman, biology.

Deborah Wade, assistant director of housing said, "The music is very good, it's different. It takes me back to when I was having babies. Everything began with Motown — they retooled music."

Others also felt this same passion for motown.

"Dancing in the Street" is my favorite song. I like chaos, and noise. It makes everyone happier," said Logan Gillis, sophomore, communication.

Heather Leinonen, environmental



Post Photo / Jenn Madjarov

**JAM ON:** Vocalist Margo Michaels, lead singer of the local musical duo New Concepts, offered a menu of motown music to the Pioneer Food Court this past Monday.

studies freshman said, "The music is entertaining, and nice to listen too. It's upbeat, and the vocalist is pretty good. It is the only thing to come out of Detroit besides cars."

There was a negative side to the entertainment too. Not all students enjoy the loud music during lunchtime.

"It's too loud, but I think the music is nice," said Scott Cordoua, freshman engineering.

Heather Cook, elementary education junior said, "I would rather be doing homework or talk to a friend."

Mike Laraia, engineering senior said, "Sometimes the music is too loud, but I like it. If I want to study I'll go to the library."

## Gordy's groovers

Motown legend Berry Gordy was responsible for some of the best acts in musical history, including:



- The Miracles
- The Four Tops
- Marvin Gaye
- Stevie Wonder
- Martha and The Vandellas
- The Supremes



# Trivia game tests campus knowledge

By KELLI PETROVE  
Assistant Sports Editor

OU students who are fans of television's "Jeopardy," and other trivia games, will soon have the opportunity to test their knowledge.

It is almost time for the College Bowl.

This will be OU's third consecutive year as a participant, after dropping out for a time in the late 1980's.

College Bowl is open to all students who form their own teams of four or five people.

Last year's competition was composed of six teams who wracked their brains for answers.

Winners get a \$400 prize and an all-expenses paid trip to the Michigan and Ohio Regionals. Runners up win a \$200 prize.

Sophomore Rick Herron participated in last year's tournament. He says he is definitely participating again.

"I'm going to play all four years. You can win a lot of money," Herron said.

However, it isn't just for the money

that Herron plays.

"I love to watch Jeopardy and all other kinds of trivia," he said.

Today is the last day for teams to sign up for this year's tournament, which will take place on Saturday.

Although only one team has officially signed up this year, Regional College Bowl Coordinator Paul Franklin expects a much higher turn out.

"For some reason everyone seems to wait until the last minute to sign up," Franklin said. "I know of other teams that are forming."

Even though College Bowl has been compared to Jeopardy, the format is actually quite different.

"The questions are a little more serious than Jeopardy," Herron said.

At the tournament, the contestants do not choose the category and the host is definitely not Alex Trebec.

However, in order to win either Jeopardy or College Bowl, contestants must be well versed in many areas of trivia.

Questions at College Bowl fit into dis-

tinct categories, including math and science, geography and history, pop culture and literature.

"The questions were challenging," said sophomore Adam Granke, electrical engineering.

"But they weren't too hard. Everyone at least made it on the scoreboard," he added.

Although thus far the sport has been male dominated, there was a woman on the winning team two years ago.

"I'm not going to try to guess why it's male dominated," Franklin said. "But there have been some women who participate."

However, past years' competitors do not remember there being women at the match, which shows that the event really is dominated by the men.

"I don't think there were any women at the tournament," Herron said.

And he's not the only one who doesn't remember women participants.

"It tests my memory, but I don't think there were any women there," Granke said.

According to Franklin, there were six teams of four or five students each in last year's games.

The winning team from last year didn't have far to travel to get to the Regional match — it was held at OU. However, they still received their prize money.

The OU winners won two games at the regional and were then bumped out by other schools.

U-M has been the national champions at least two of the last four years and Ohio State, Kent State and University of Akron have also been known as tough competitors.

This year's regional will be held at the University of Florida and is being sponsored by EDS.

In order to get a trip to Florida and a chance to test trivia skills, teams must sign up with Franklin today.

For more information call Paul Franklin, regional college bowl coordinator, or Danielle Roberts, campus tournament organizer, at (248) 370-2400.



# GET OUT

## Cooking up stardom

Rachael Leigh Cook, star of "She's All That," rises to the top with two feet on the ground

By ANDREA NOBILE  
Life Editor

Rachael Leigh Cook doesn't look like a movie star.

At least right now, as she sits, doodling away on a pad of white hotel stationery. Her dark, chestnut hair is comfortably pulled back into a rather spiky low ponytail. The layered fronts of her hair, too short to join the rest of her mane, are tucked behind her ears. Cook's only trace of makeup is what smudged mascara is more than likely left over from yesterday.

And yet, her beauty is obviously apparent from the minute I sit down with the actress, star of this Friday's "She's All That."

The sweet and sincere boy-meets-girl high school comedy is the latest effort in the recent batch of releases attempting to cash in on the late 1990s teen-age movie boom.

In person, Cook's manners are anything but Jennifer Love Hewitt-ish. Her tone is low, slow and cynical, making for a charming, so-what, kind of teen temptress attitude. This girl is the oppo-

site of perky. Yet, she still radiates like a budding young actress at 19, almost always littering her sentences with "like," "ya know," and "I mean."

Cook, 19, is one of the newest members of young Hollywood. Thanks to the now legendary success of films like "Scream," and "I Know What You Did Last Summer," work has been plentiful for these teens and twenty-somethings. Cook's own co-stars, like Freddie Prinze Jr. ("I Know What You Did Last Summer," "The House of Yes"), Matthew Lillard ("Scream"), Paul Walker ("Varsity Blues"), Anna Paquin ("The Piano," "Hurly Burly"), Jodi Lyn O'Keefe ("Halloween: H20") and Clea Duvall ("The Faculty"), are a part of that pack.

"...They're calling us The New Brat Pack, which is cool, because all those people still have careers. But the truth is, there's even more of us than there were of them. So it's gonna slowly get weeded down ... I know, like, I'm kinda sick of every movie being a combination of people from the last, you know, I'm like, 'Didn't you just play, like, his girlfriend in the last movie you guys did together?'

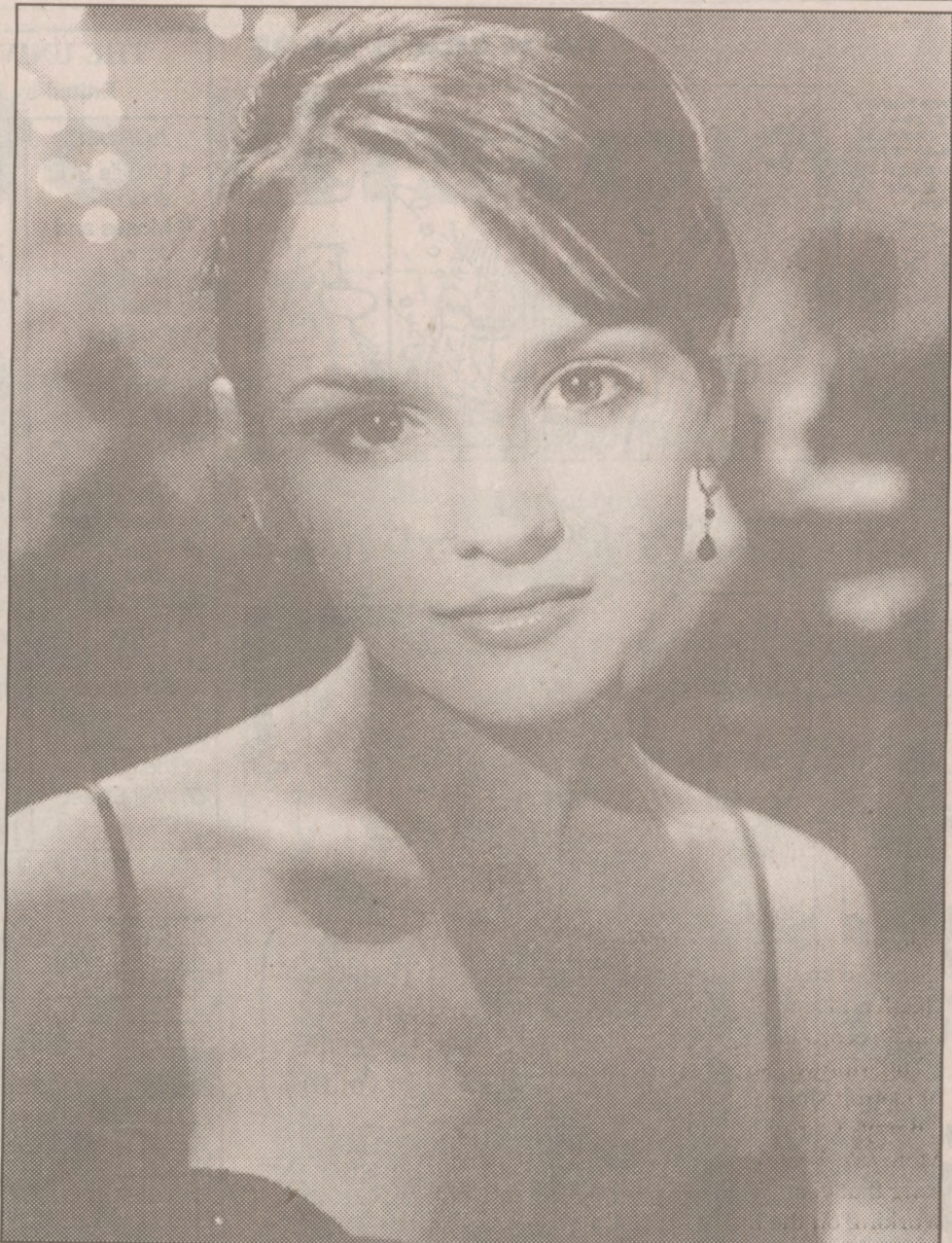


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**COOK OFF:** Rachael Leigh Cook glows as Laney Boggs in "She's All That."

I'm getting confused," she says, her petite frame taking up little space in one of the Birmingham Townsend Hotel's restaurant booths.

"It's ridiculous," she continues. "You keep running into people. It's fabulous, I mean, especially because, if someone's like, not nice or really uncute, they just

really don't make it anymore."

As for the up-and-coming Cook herself, her bio is just beginning to bloom. She has stacked up 11 film roles in only three short years, with appearances in "Tom & Huck," "Carpool," "The Kiss," "The House of Yes," and "The

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### THE REEL DEAL

## 'She's All That' smells like teen re-runs

By ANDREA NOBILE  
Life Editor

Somewhere between a nasty little bet, and a mousy little outsider, deja vu set in.

It's not that this Friday's "She's All That" is a bad film. It's actually quite enjoyable to look at. The leads, Freddie Prinze Jr. and Rachael Leigh Cook (see related article above) sparkle like shiny new teen talents.

Prinze ("The House of Yes," "I Know What You Did Last Summer"), cocky yet earnest, could easily be the teen generation's Tom Cruise.

Cook ("The House of Yes"), has a beauty everyone can cling to. She's snarly enough for cynical teens to like her character, who creates angry art against society and cares more about Bosnia than her clothes and makeup. Yet she's still doe-eyed and stunning enough for boys to salivate over.

The comedy film offers hits the funnibone with wit, and some other well-calculated gross-out humor is perfect for the film's target audience — teens.

The problem with 'All That,' by direc-

**"She's All That"**  
Been there, done that

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out of 4 points

tor Robert Iscove, is it's all nothing new.

This is all something that's been done before, and much better.

In the same eighties vein of "Can't Buy Me Love," and "Pretty in Pink," (with a few changes), popular-but-conceited boy meets cute-mousy-outsider girl. Boy bets his peer-pressuring friends he can make the girl popular just by being seen with him. Girl finds out, and girl gets pissed.

In 1987's "Love," the roles were reversed. But hey, it's still the same old thing.

And with the state of movies the way they are today, with two of everything every summer — a la "A Bug's Life" and "Antz," and "Deep Impact," and "Armageddon," — the industry just can't handle more of the same, outdated things.



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**ALL THAT:** From left, Paul Walker, Dule Hill and Freddie Prinze Jr.

It's also probably not a coincidence that the ensemble cast includes what some are calling "the New Brat Pack." Hot up-and-comers Matthew Lillard ("Scream," "Mad Love"), Paul Walker ("Varsity Blues"), Jodi Lyn O'Keefe ("Halloween: H20") and Clea Duvall ("The Faculty") round out the cast.

But, I can't help thinking this: what if "She's All That," would have been made in, say, 1983, before the 1984 release of "Sixteen Candles"?

The world may never have known the talents of 1980s film darling Molly Ringwald.

What a sad, sad, world it would be.

### FOR YOUR ENTERTAINMENT

#### TELEVISION

- "Storytellers," VH1's concert series where viewers learn the stories behind the songs, tackles the rock n' roll ramblings of John Cougar Mellencamp, at 10 p.m. tonight.
- Reminisce with Patrick Swayze at 8 p.m. Thursday (with an encore at 10 p.m.), when TNT airs the quintessential 1980s, lust-musical "Dirty Dancing."
- Learn to love Canadian comedy, with a nine-episode "So Many Kids in the Hall," marathon starting at 11:30 p.m. on Comedy Central.

#### BOOKS

- "Glamorama," by Bret Easton Ellis, takes aim at exposing the culture of late 1990's celebrity, with a fictional story of an aspiring model caught in a plot of crime, lights and movie stars.
- "Moon," Tony Fletcher's earnest exploration of The Who's drummer Keith Moon, whose drug-induced death rocked 1978.
- "Angels Flight" is author Michael Connelly's sixth novel with series star Harry Bosch. Connelly won The Anthony Award for Best Mystery in 1997.

#### MUSIC

- Hope Blister's "Smile's OK," marks avant-pop's second piece of compilation from artists like David Sylvian, John Cole and Chris Knox. The album is being called a sequel to "This Mortal Coil."
- Pete Himmelman releases his first album in five years, "Love Thinketh No Evil," a witty, Elvis Costello-ish journey of love and romance.
- "The John Lennon Anthology" a four-CD box set, is filled not with greatest hits or favorite tracks, but 94 outtakes, home demos and more from his final 10 years.

#### VIDEO

- "Kurt and Courtney," British filmmaker Nick Broomfield's documentary of musician Kurt Cobain's suicide, was banned from the Sundance Film Festival.
- "Rush Hour," one the summer's most lucrative smash-bang hits, stars martial arts guru Jackie Chan and comedian Chris Tucker as partners in pursuit of finding the bad guys.
- "Whatever," explores the pre-AIDS party age of the early eighties, with Liza Weil as a teen artist surrounded by sex, drugs and rock.

Krystal  
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Popularity isn't  
such a contest  
after high school

In high school, there was the "in" crowd and then there was the rest.

The "in" crowd was that group of students that everyone knew and admired, or so they thought.

The truth is, that group of students were the ones who proclaimed themselves the popular ones.

This was easy to do in a high school of only a few hundred students.

They dominated the yearbook staff so that most of the "candid" shots were of them. And they always looked like they were having so much fun.

They shunned the people that were not acceptable to them.

They only dated people that were within their clique.

And by excluding themselves so extensively, they became mysterious.

What was it that made these people so much better than the rest?

College brings it all into perspective, however.

Sure, there are cliques here. There are student groups, sororities, fraternities, and so on.

The difference is, no single group is looked upon as the best.

Certain groups may look upon themselves as the "in" crowd, but in a community this large, it's impossible to convince everyone else.

Everybody has their own "in" crowd. It consists of the people you like to hang out with in your spare time.

And it is possible to belong to more than one group here.

It's harder to classify people in those typical groups.

For example, what do you call a fraternity brother who is on the swim team but also great with computers?

Is he a frat jerk? A jock? A geek?

No, he's just a typical OU student, well-rounded and diversified.

Remember the fashion show that high school tended to be?

I accidentally wore one black shoe and one navy blue shoe one day when I was a junior.

By the end of the day, I could have sworn they had announced it over the P.A. system when I was in the bathroom, because everyone in the hall was staring at my feet and snickering.

In college, you'll see everything from business suits to sweats, and it doesn't matter.

People aren't really judged by their appearance here, well, unless they WANT to be.

I mean, if you are dressed like you've been dead for three years with silver appendages all over your face, you really are saying "look at me!"

Muppet-colored hair draws attention. Think about that before you grab the bottle of Manic Panic. And don't shoot dirty looks at me when I stare. That's what you wanted, right?

But, for example, I would have rather died than worn my glasses in high school.

Here, I couldn't care less.

I'm here for an education, like most of the other people that go here.

If I don't look pretty for class, I'll still learn just as much.

So if I wear a sweatshirt and jeans one day and a sweater, skirt and high heels the next, don't be confused.

Because I don't classify myself and I'd appreciate it if you didn't try to either. I don't care if I'm popular, because I've learned my lesson.

They're not really your friends if they judge you.

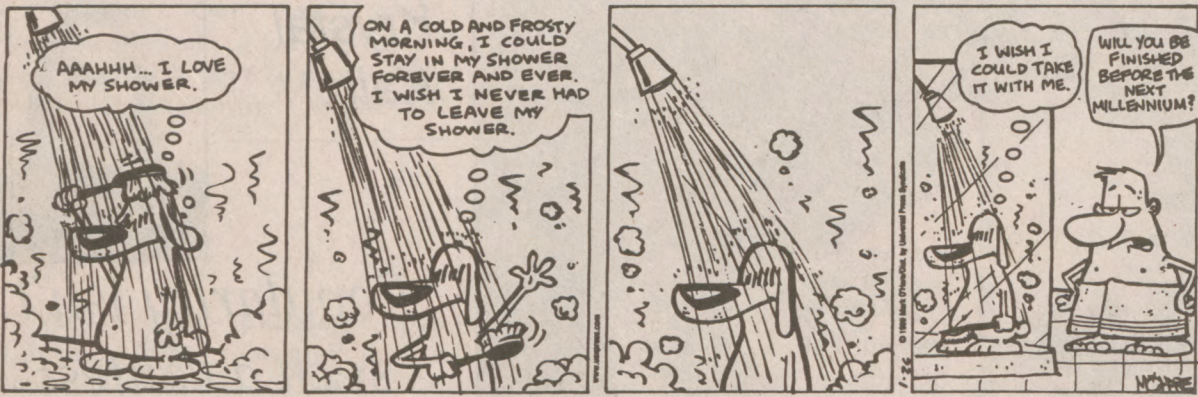
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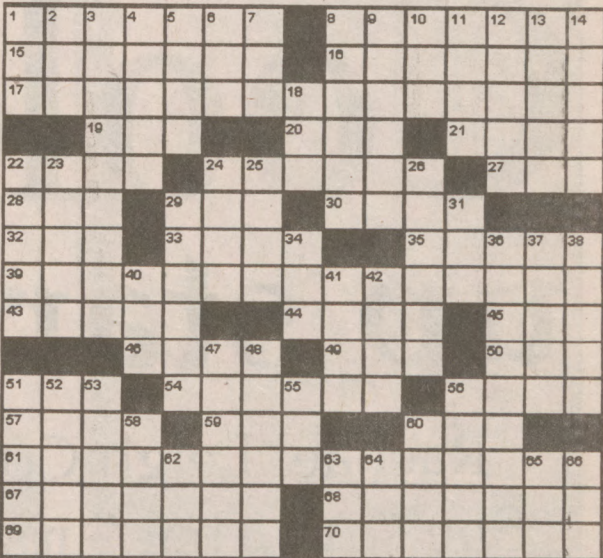
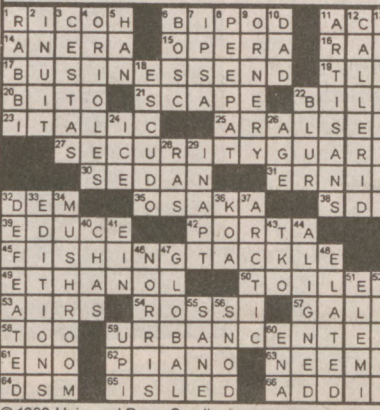
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Damon's SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Jan. 27-Feb. 2

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- ARIES** (March 21-April 20)- Your ruling planet, Mars, enters Scorpio today, so your life will change from neutral to full speed ahead. Watch your temper and intensity, but use this newfound energy to get things done.
- TAURUS** (April 21-May 20)- Conflict with peers and partners is likely within the next couple of weeks. You may not be in full control of things right now. However, growth can occur through conflict.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 21)- People will be flexible to your needs today. A high emotional level marks this week, indicating good intuition. Particularly now until Friday, use this power to your advantage.
- CANCER** (June 22-July 22)- Children, or child-like activities, are on the agenda this week. If they are not, perhaps these activities will relax you this weekend. Listen to others, because they may see what you can't.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)- Your emotional needs may be high right now. Try not to be too demanding of a lover or friend, because you may have the answer to your own needs.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 23)- Mental flashes of intuition and insight are possible this week. Absorb new concepts and thought, but don't destroy everything old just because it's old... you may need it.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 24-Oct. 22)- Insight can be gained from children of those younger than you. A romantic relationship is possible with a friend, though it will probably be short or impractical.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)- You're in for an intense four or five weeks, in which you can expect opportunities to explore taboo subjects, such as the occult and sex. Try to curb overemotional tendencies.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)- Major changes in your life, prompted by yourself or others, are likely this week. Actions you take may not be immediately tangible, but do have impact.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)- Conflict may occur with your friends and your money. You must resolve your selfishness with generosity, or vice versa. Partners help you resolve emotional issues.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)- As stated last week, unique opportunities abound your life right now. This is the time to change the course of your life, if desired, or to complete any project you want.
- PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20)- Energy is doubled over the next couple of weeks. Your optimism, if you show it, is contagious and will rally support from the most indifferent people.

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Cheap Psychological Tricks

by Perry W. Buffington, Ph.D.

Forget the Blue-Plate Special

Your mother was wrong, even though she was doing it for your own good. Your third-grade school teacher was mistaken, too. Even your Scout leader was misinformed. All those people who told you to "eat everything on your plate" just didn't understand.

Eating a healthy three-squares a day is important for any little boy or girl, but eating everything — even when you're full — can lead to one's becoming "calorically challenged" in adult life. Yet, caught in the moment, your parents were persistent in their demands to eat it all!

The sweet-talk and caveats you could resist ("Eat so you will grow big and strong," "If you don't eat everything, there's no dessert for you!"), but not the cheap psychological trick that manipulated your eating behavior. It's time you knew what they did and turn it around for your health. Once you know the trick, you'll resist overeating and terminate your membership in the "clean-plate club."

Think back to your childhood. Do you remember the colorful plates your mother or father presented your meals on? Do you remember what animated characters were printed on your kiddie china? Typically, children's dishes have some cartoon character that indirectly encourages children to eat. Combine the fun plates, encouragement and those fun little mealtime games, and your parents did a manipulative little number on you.

Children are conditioned to eat until they can see the animated character staring back at them from the bottom of the plate or bowl. Of course, for most adults, their everyday plates don't have cartoon characters on them. Instead, they have patterns. Just like a child eating to see the cartoon character, adults will continue to eat — even after they're full — just to discern the design or pattern on the china. The more elaborate the design, the greater the need to eat and see what's on the bottom.

Here's how to turn this trick to your advantage: Eat from plates that have no pattern. There is no psychological need to discern the design, so you won't eat as much. Plain white plates work best (brightly colored plates also encourage overeating behavior, but that's another cheap psychological trick for another day).

Here's how this white-plate trick works in the real world. When you visit a fancy, upscale restaurant, lovely patterned china will greet you upon being seated. This is only a place-plate. When your food arrives, it's typically served on plain white china.

THE NEED FOR FEED

Name the one-syllable, three-letter word that stops even the most stalwart in their tracks. "War?" Good guess; that's not it. "Tax?" you say. Nope, that's not it either. The one word that causes fear is "fat." Just to be thin, thousands of dollars are spent for diet pills, herbal strategies, surgeries, low-fat foods and fat farms.

All it takes to lick this "fat" problem is knowing when to open and shut your mouth. Yet, over the years, people develop eating preferences that function autonomously. The result: Some people over- and others under- control their need for feed. Take this quiz and see what's really in control — you or the food.

- While growing up, I was a member of the...
  - (a) picky eaters anonymous.
  - (b) clean-plate club.
  - (c) ask-for-seconds (and thirds) club.
- I'll eat anything as long as it's...
  - (a) good for me.
  - (b) not moving.
  - (c) covered in ketchup.
- My favorite food group is...
  - (a) green and yellow.
  - (b) red.
  - (c) chocolate.
- My favorite restaurant is...
  - (a) my kitchen.
  - (b) cheap chic.
  - (c) drive through.
- My home-cooked meals are typically...
  - (a) salads, with just a hint of balsamic vinegar.
  - (b) frozen then microwaved.
  - (c) two hours long.
- The cheating time of day, when I have real difficulty controlling my consumption, is...
  - (a) a momentary swell assuaged by a carrot or rice cake.
  - (b) happy hour.
  - (c) any time of day.
- Heaven for me is...
  - (a) a green grocer on every corner.
  - (b) a fast-food restaurant on every corner.
  - (c) a free bakery on every corner.

Scoring: For every (a) you marked, give yourself one point; for every (b), two points; for every (c), three points.

If your score was nine or less: You're a grazer. Green is your favorite color, and vegetables don't stand a chance in your presence. You're a picky eater, and your appetite is so under your control, you

could be a model. No doubt you're rather health conscious — watching fat intake, making sure to eat healthy — but you may be missing out on some of the better things in life. Best advice here is to check out the Benjamin Franklin diet. As he put it, "All things in moderation." That means it really is OK to have a salad plus something else.

If your score was between 10 and 16: You're a traditional eater — a meat-and-potatoes kind of person. You like three squares a day and perhaps a snack before bedtime. Judging from your score, you move between home kitchen, restaurant and fast-food drive-throughs equally. But be careful. When you're a traditional eater, pounds slip around the waist slowly over time without your noticing it until your clothes become too tight for comfort. The good news is that traditional eaters, because they like most foods and can move through all the food groups comfortably, can take weight off — that is, assuming they want to.

If your score was 17 or higher: You love to eat. In fact, you consider food a true gift from God. You believe that your mouth was put there to fill with joyous delicacies and rich aromatic drinks. You eat when you feel good, and you eat when you feel lousy. A day without food, for you, is a day without sunshine. The warnings here are many. Overeating leads to overweight and can lead to certain ailments. Best advice is to consciously substitute lower-calorie foods for higher ones. Make every other food something that actually works for your body rather than working against it. And there's always exercise. Start with the most important one: Pushing back from the table.

money spent. Losing weight? Use this trick to your advantage. Just make sure you eat that pastry from a plain, white plate, and you'll eat less.

Bottom line: Forget the blue-plate special. White plates rule.

To learn more about the psychology behind this "trick," check out: "Making Weight: Tips for Successful Dieting," Coach and Athlete, November-December (1981), pages 25-28.)

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# SPORTS

## Plunge into History

Swim, Dive teams:  
tradition of loyalty,  
legacy of success

By KELLI PETROVE  
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Even though the Grizzlies have moved to Division I, the Pioneer swim teams have left their mark in Division II athletics. A tradition of excellence has won both the men and women numerous national championships and individual accomplishments.

"There have been a number of disappointed, discouraged and even upset students after the move in divisions," men's head coach Pete Hovland said. "They even feel betrayed."

The men were national champions in 1980, 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997. They also have ten second place finishes in the championship meet since the program started in 1965.

The women have also claimed many titles including a long run string of national championships in 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1994.

"When you think of Division II, you think OU," said women's head coach Scott Teeters.

The move in Divisions has given the swimmers a set back in their tradition of being the champions.

"It's easy to carry out a tradition, but it is hard to build a new one," Teeters said.

Even with the set back, swimmers have a high level of confidence and are trying to stay focused on their goals.

"The kids are confident and very business like," Teeters said. "Even though we don't have blue chip athletes, their work ethic is a step above the rest."

Hard work and dedication is a must for the swimmers of now and of the past that must be up for early morning practices along with afternoon work outs.

"The swimmers are willing to do what it takes to become excellent," Teeters said. "Excellence is achieved through average people."

So even when athletes aren't being scouted by larger universities, at OU they can gain their experience and confidence to become great athletes.

Teeters, who swam for OU in the 70's, says that when he graduated from high school he was a nobody, who was overlooked by the big schools.

However, by the time he graduated he had developed into an All-American and had captained the Pioneers twice.

He credited the "excellent coaches at OU. Corey VanFleet got the program going, he's made me into the coach I am today."

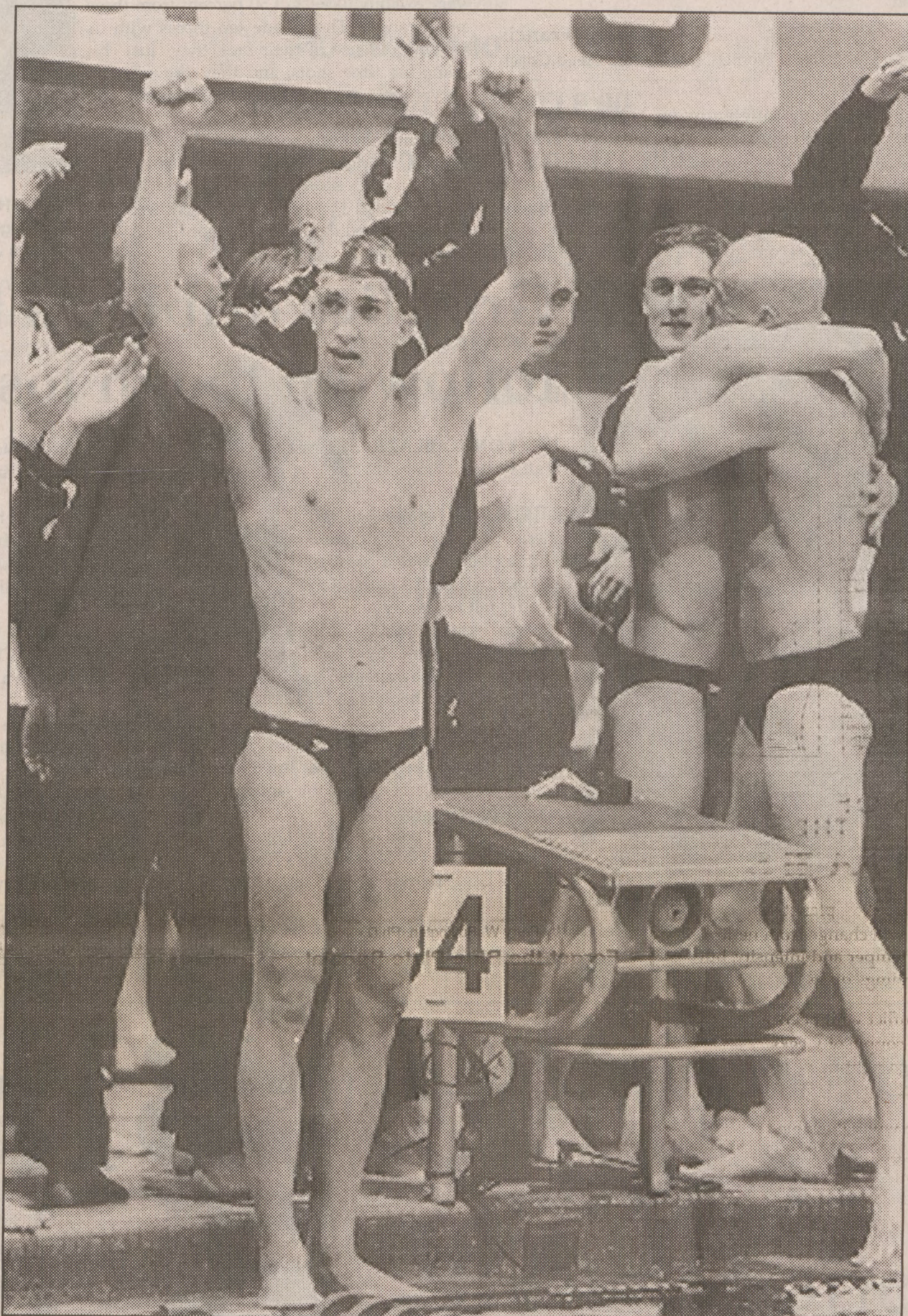
Amazing things happen through average students who care deeply about their sport even after they graduate.

At the last national championship, 90 percent of the stands were filled with alumni, friends and family of OU.

"For 20 years we dominated the division not only in the matches, but in the enthusiasm and in the stands," Teeters said.

After a two year transition and the construction of the rec center the fans that previously filled the arena are finally finding their way back to support the team.

"The transition has really hurt our program,"



**PROVEN CHAMPION:** Ken Ehlen swam for OU from 1993-1997. Ehlen was a 24-time All-American earning seven honors at the 1997 NCAA Championship.

Hovland said.

The program will not get back to where it was in history overnight, but soon the teams will be comparable to all the other MAC schools, Teeters predicted.

"It will take about four recruiting classes to get back to our place as champions," Teeters said.

One reason Teeters and Hovland are looking back for ways to help the swimmers is because they are still in contact with the people they swam with in years past.

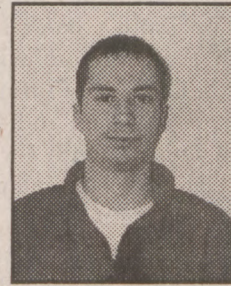
"The program is special because when you leave OU, you leave with friends for life," Teeters said.

All-American Rod Mitchell, who swam and roomed with Teeters in the 70's, was the best man in his wedding and is still a close friend.

Hovland, who is currently in his 20th year of coaching for OU, agrees that he is still close with many of the swimmers who have come through the program.

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*Big weekend headed  
for big upset; Falcons  
chosen to win*

The Super Bowl is truly the grand daddy of all sports championships and it has finally arrived.

Super Bowl XXXIII matches up the NFC Champion Atlanta Falcons with the AFC Champions, the Denver Broncos. The Broncos are seven point favorites.

The game will be broadcast in 150 countries. Millions will watch. What is at stake: the quest for supremacy of the NFL.

The Atlanta Falcons is making its first appearance in the Super Bowl this year. The Falcons enter the game off the heels of an overtime victory in the NFC Championship game against the Minnesota Vikings.

The Denver Broncos enter Super Bowl XXXIII as defending Super Bowl champs.

Here is an analysis of the key matchups:

Broncos' running game vs. Falcons' running defense: Terrell Davis rushed for more than 2000 yards this season. The Bronco's offensive line can open huge holes in opponents' defenses. A key fact to remember is that none of the Broncos offensive line has missed a game all year. The Falcons' defense ranked eight in the NFL against the run and, in winning 20 of its last 24 regular season games, have allowed only one running back to gain more than 100 yards: Curtis Martin. They will be gearing to stop Terrell Davis. **EDGE: BRONCOS.**

Broncos' passing game against Falcons' pass defense: John Elway is the best quarterback in the league. He has a wide range of targets to pass to: Ed McCaffrey, Rod Smith and Shannon Sharpe. The Falcons' secondary is led by Ray Buchanan, who guarantees victory over the Broncos. Eugene Robinson played the Broncos in the Super Bowl last year, with the Packers, and has provided veteran leadership for the team. **EDGE: BRONCOS.**

Falcons' running game vs. Broncos' run defense: Jamal Anderson of the Falcons led the NFC in rushing during the regular season. He is a punishing runner. The Broncos are just not that great stopping the run. If they don't contain Jamal, he will be doing his patented "Dirty Bird" dance. **EDGE: FALCONS.**

Falcons' passing game against Broncos' pass defense: Chris Candler is a good, veteran quarterback for the Falcons but has never played in the Super Bowl. His arm strength has been underestimated. Terrance Mathis and Tony Martin are underrated at the wide receiver position. The Broncos' secondary are hard hitters especially with veteran Steve Atwater back there. **EDGE: BRONCOS.**

Special teams: Games are won with special teams. A critical mistake on special teams can mean the victory or the loss. Tim Dwight of the Falcons is lethal as a return man. Morten Andersen of the Falcons has kicked more field goals of 50-plus yards than any other kicker. Dan Stryzinski was second in the league with 29 fair catches. The Broncos' special teams have been inconsistent this year having a punt blocked against the Jets in the AFC Championship game. Jason Elam of the Broncos' did tie an NFL record with a 63-yard field goal, however. **EDGE: FALCONS.**

The Prediction: The Falcons will play their hearts out and will not only cover the spread but in an upset victory will be Super Bowl champs. All of the things the Falcons had to endure this year, means that the Falcons are the team of destiny. Sorry, Mr. John Elway your Super Bowl ring was last year. Falcons 28, Broncos 24.

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## Grizzlies race to victory after suffering defeat

By JEREMY SARNOVSKY  
Staff Writer

The women's swim team tasted the fruits of victory and the bitterness of defeat this past week, as it split its matches.

Indian River turned out to be a tough match for the Grizzlies, and the women were defeated.

Although OU had the same amount of first place finishes as Indian River, the

swimmers were unable to over the southerners due to several strong finishes by their opponent.

Ellen Collins had a great meet for OU, scoring a first place in the 1000 yard freestyle with a time of 10:39.01, as well as in the 500 yard freestyle, with a time of 5:10.59.

Unfortunately, OU was not able to obtain any other first place finishes in the swimming portion of the meet. Once again the diving team swept both

the One and Three-Meter dives. On a sour note however, Kazi Murr broke her hand in the One-Meter dive.

After the struggle at Indian River, the women came back to dominate Florida Atlantic.

Collins continued her strong swimming with a 5:12.95 in the 500 meter freestyle, which earned her a first place.

Adding to OU's win were several 1-2 finishes in events. In the 200 yard freestyle Grace Bender and Collins

teamed up to capture the top two places with a time of 1:57.09 and 1:57.54 respectively. Also carrying the 1-2 punch for OU were freshman Rachelle Atrasz (10:39.49) and Collins (10:41.49) in the 1000 yard freestyle. Yvonne Lynn (2:12.12) and Kristen Kursiss (2:13.49) scored 1-2 in the 200 yard backstroke.

The women's 400 yard freestyle relay also had first and second place finishes with times of 3:37.18 and 3:40.17

## Men stay afloat at Florida Atlantic

By JEREMY SARNOVSKY  
Staff Writer

The past week was filled with mixed emotions for the men's swim team as they acquired both a win and a loss against tough opponents.

The Grizzlies had their work cut out for them against a tough Indian River team that would eventually hand them a defeat.

High spirits were maintained by several members of the team, however,

through strong individual showings. The crew sported three first place finishes, as well as nine second places to usher in high scores for OU.

The only non-relay event that OU placed first in belonged to Ritter, who showed great speed and style in the 100 yard Butterfly with a time of 00:51.97. Also finishing in first against Indian River, were the 200 medley relay and the 200 freestyle relay teams with times of 1:35 and 1:27.07 respectively.

Once again, the top finisher in the div-

ing portion of the competition was sophomore Jamie Honce, scoring well in both the One and Three-Meter diving events. Although it was a tough loss for the men to take, they looked forward to their next match against Florida Atlantic University.

The Grizzlies left FAU treading water with five first place finishes, coupled with numerous second and third places.

Leading the way for OU, and earning themselves the number one spot, were freshman Andy Schmit who clocked in

at 9:39.53 in the 1000 yard freestyle, junior Thiago Orso who received a time of 1:45.22 in the 200 yard freestyle and sophomore Haitham Hassan who earned a time of 1:55.34 in the 200 IM.

OU also swept the men's 100 yard freestyle, placing Kevin Bobzien in first, Dan Mayle in second and Todd Duncan in third.

Also capturing first place was the men's 400 yard relay, with a time of 3:06.96.



# OU women split games

By RAMEZ KHURI  
Staff Writer

It was a more even crowd at the 'O' rena as OU's Woman's Basketball team beat IUPUI by a score of 75 to 68 on Thursday night. Freshman Sarah Judd and senior Tamika Bates shared high score honors with 20 points a piece. Junior Courtney Ruffing scored 18, and freshman Tish Martin and senior Teresa Tallenger each finished with seven points respectively for OU, who's overall record improved to ten wins and eight losses.

"Because we won, I can be happy (with my performance on the court), personally I think that I could have taken care of the ball a little better, but because we came out with a win it's alright," said Courtney Ruffing, a starting guard for OU.

When asked what she would like to improve for the next game, Ruffing replied, "Probably my defense intensity a little bit, and just taking care of the ball over all is the thing I need

OU	75
IUPUI	68

OU	86
YSU	91

to work on a little bit." She also added, "Coming together in the end, and knocking down our free throws" is what sealed the victory.

Coach Beckie Francis said, "We didn't do anything differently on defense, we just focused on increasing our intensity, and that might be the difference."

**Beckie Francis**  
Women's Basketball Head Coach

anything differently on defense, we just focused on increasing our intensity, and that might be the difference."

Crystal Vander Plaats scored 22 points, Angie Watt scored 18, and Jennifer Stucker had 16 in the losing effort for IUPUI, who's overall record dropped to seven wins and

eleven losses.

OU played against Youngstown State on Saturday, losing 91 to 86.

Freshman Sarah Judd scored 23 points, senior Tamika Bates had 20, senior Teresa Tallenger finished with 13, and junior Courtney Ruffing added five assists for OU.

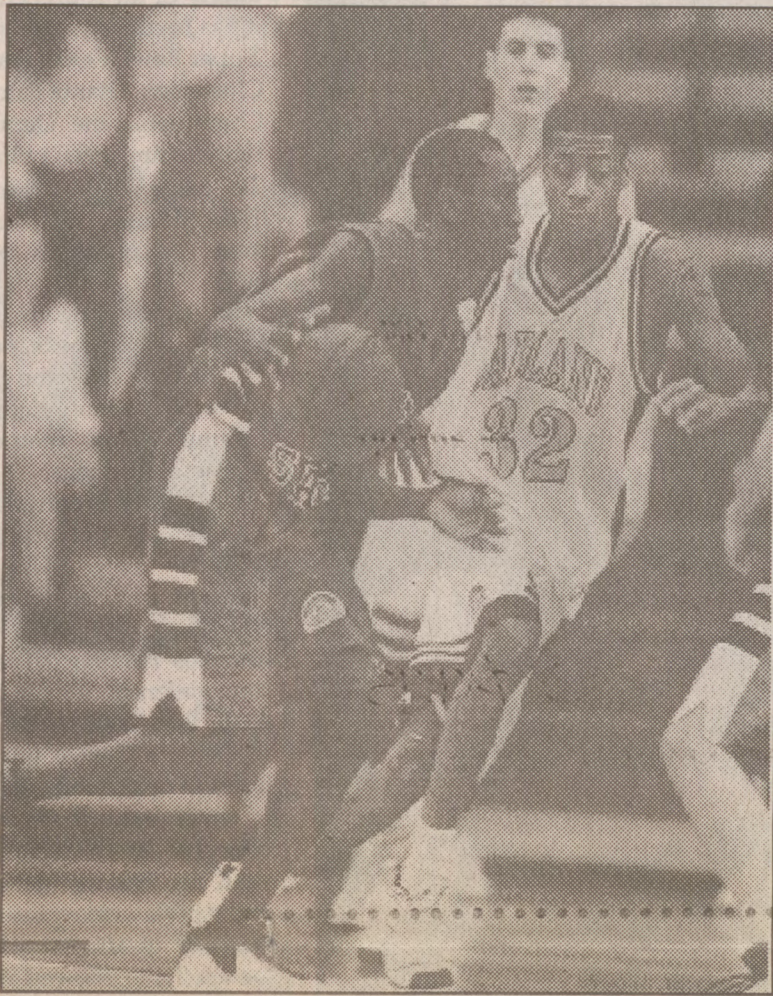
Francis said, "Youngstown State are the defending mid con champions for 4 years in a row, and we played probably one of the best games we have ever played and it was one of the best woman's basketball games ever at Oakland. It was 91 to 86, and the offense and the defense in the beginning were very, very, very exciting. We shot 50 percent from three point range. They made ten threes with us playing defense in their face, they just hit some big time shots, and they proved why they went to the NCAA tournament last year."

Brianne Kenneally and Leslie Majewski each scored 19 points, Missy Young and Lisa Rotunno each scored 13 points, and Alyson Vogrin added 11 points for Youngstown State who improved their overall record to 12 wins and 7 losses.



FOR THE LAY UP: Number 11, Freshman, guard, LaTisha Martin goes for the lay up to help the Golden Grizzlies against IUPUI's Jaguars.

**THE RACE TO WIN:** Number 32, freshman, guard Mychal Covington races to the ball to beat the Youngstown State player at Saturdays game. Covington contributed six points at the Jan. 23 game, which lead to an OU victory.



## Grizzlies dribble a two point victory following tough loss to IUPUI

By ZVONKO BLAZEVSKI  
Staff Writer

The IUPUI Jaguars entered there Thursday night game with a plan. It was a gamble, but one that IUPUI coach Ron Hunter felt necessary.

Coach Hunter tried to stop OU's inside game by triple teaming Dan Champagne inside and forcing the OU shooters to hit from the outside.

Normally, the Golden Grizzlies are golden from three-point land. But not on this occasion, not against the Jaguars zone defense.

But the gamble paid off for the Jaguars as they beat the Golden Grizzlies 73-63.

Coach Greg Kampe talked about the game at a press conference.

"That was the first zone we faced all year. Their game plan was good. They wanted to stop Dan and they did. They

OU	63
IUPUI	73
OU	89
YSU	87

gave us the outside shots, and we had a lot of good looks. We just didn't make them."

OU came out of the gate and hit their trademark three-pointer via a Mychal Covington bomb to give the Golden Grizzlies a 3-2 lead at 19:02.

OU pushed its lead to five at 13:39 on a Dan Champagne lay-up before IUPUI called a 20 second time out.

At 9:02 Steve Reynolds made two free throws giving his team a 19-14 lead.

OU lead by three with 2:56 left before the half as Jason Rozycki hit both of his free throws to give the Golden Grizzlies a 25-22 lead.

IUPUI would not quit as they tied the game at 28 with 43 seconds before half.

Brad Buddenborg's three-point play gave the Golden Grizzlies a three point lead with eight seconds left.

IUPUI's Mohammed Witherspoon hit

both of his free throws before the buzzer. OU took a 31-30 lead to the half.

IUPUI fell behind 34-30 before the Jaguars' Rodney Thomas hit a three to start a 8-0 run to give the Jaguars' a 38-34 lead with 16:26 left in the game.

Rozycki tied the game at 40 when at 13:59 he was fouled in the act of shooting a three. He hit all three of his free throws.

OU cut the lead to two with Buddenborg's three at 11:35.

A few minutes later, OU found themselves down 57-54, but with 6:10 remaining Champagne scored inside to cut the Jaguar lead to 57-56.

Jermaine Gardner's free throws at 4:15 increased IUPUI's lead to four at 62-58.

Sean Carlson hit a three pointer for the Golden Grizzlies to cut IUPUI's lead to 62-61 at 3:04.

IUPUI went on a 9-0 run in 2:39 to up

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# Spotlight on the Black & Gold

## BETSY HANSEN WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING



By LISA BORICH  
Sports Editor

A Pleasanton, California native, this week's profiler is a born leader.

Since her high school years, Betsy Hansen has shown leadership qualities by becoming a captain of Foothill High Schools girls swim team during her sophomore, junior and senior year.

"Betsy is a natural born leader and a joy to work with," said Women's Swimming Head Coach, Scott Teeters.

Her first year here at OU, Betsy received five all-American honors which she earned by swimming in two relays, one being the fourth place 400-yard medley relay team and the other as part of a runner-up in the 800-yard freestyle relay team.

Hansen claimed the other three in individual events. She placed second in the 200-yard butterfly where she holds the school record of 2:05.06, eighth in the 100-yard butterfly, and also received an honorable mention in the 1,650-yard

freestyle event.

She holds not only the the school record in the 200-yard butterfly, but also the school record in the 100-yard butterfly which she achieved at the NCAA Championship her freshman year.

As a sophomore, Hansen recorded 29 points at the NIC Championship in which she finished ninth in the 100-yard butterfly, sixth in the 200-yard butterfly and tenth in the 200-yard IM events at the NIC Championships.

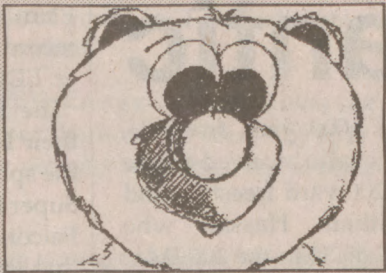
"Betsy is a total team swimmer, when you think of kids like Betsy, you think of swimming as a team sport," Teeters said.

A junior and elementary education major, Hansen is known for swimming in the butterfly and distance events.

"She comes from one of the better club teams in California so she comes in with a great background. The thing that will benefit Betsy the most is having the larger team," Teeters said.

Hansen also competed in the junior national competition in the 100-yard and 200-yard butterfly events.

### GRIZZWALD'S INSTANT REPLAY



#### SWIMMING

- The men lost to Indian River 110-121 on Jan. 22.
- The men defeated Florida Atlantic 129-92 on Jan. 23.
- The women lost to Indian River 105-132 on Jan. 22.
- The women defeated Florida Atlantic 142-99 on Jan. 23.
- The men lost to IUPUI 63-73 on Jan. 21.
- The women defeated IUPUI 75-68 on Jan. 21.
- The men lost to Youngstown 89-87 on Jan. 23.
- The women lost to Youngstown 86-91 on Jan. 23.

#### THURSDAY

- The men's basketball team at Valparaiso. Time TBA.
- The women's basketball team at Valparaiso at 6:30 p.m.

### INSIDE SPORTS

#### FRIDAY

- The women's basketball team host UM-Dearborn at 7 p.m.
- The women's swim team host Eastern Michigan at 7 p.m.

#### SATURDAY

- The men's swim team host Denison at 2 p.m.
- The women's swim team host Denison at 1 p.m.



## CENTER FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

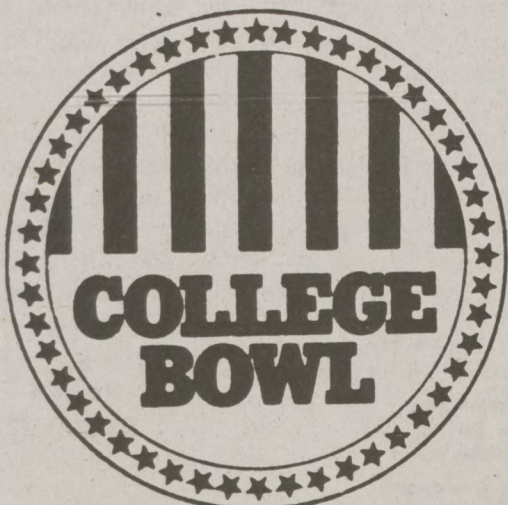
### College Bowl

We need a few good players and moderators!

We are pleased to announce the First place Team will win \$400 and the Second Place team will win \$200.

The Oakland University Campus Tournament will be held Saturday, January 30, 1999. **This is your last chance to get in on all the fun!** Thursday will be the last day to register, so don't wait another minute! Registration forms can be picked up the Center for Student Activities Service Window. The entry fee to the Campus Tournament will be \$20 per team.

The Regional Tournament will be held at Michigan State University on February 20 & 21, 1999. The winner of the campus Tournament will earn a spot to represent Oakland University at the regional Tournament.



#### NIKKI GIOVANNI

The African American Celebration Month Committee and the Student Program Board are very pleased to announce renowned poet and author, Nikki Giovanni, will be speaking at Oakland University on Thursday, January 28, 1999. The lecture/reading will take place at 3:00 p.m. in Meadow Brook Theatre. Tickets are on sale at the CSA Service Window, 49 Oakland Center, tables in the main hallway of the Oakland Center, and at the door. Tickets are \$4 for Oakland University Students, \$7 for Oakland University Employees and Alumni Association Members, and \$9 for Guests and the General Public. *Any ticket purchased on or prior to January 27 will be discounted \$2.*

#### The Impeachment of Bill Clinton

**Get the answers you've been looking for! Ask the experts and express your opinion! Join the Center for Student Activities for a debate on the Impeachment Trial with Professor of Political Science John Kelly, Professor of History Carl Osthaus, and Professor of Sociology Harry Gold. Are you informed? Get all the juicy facts and myths of the trial before the Senate makes its decision to stop or continue the trail.**

**This event will be held in the Fireside Lounge at Noon on Thursday January 28<sup>th</sup>.**

#### International Travel

It is not too late... This year CSA is coordinating an exciting international trip to the exotic nation of Turkey. Have you made your plans yet?

The trip to **Turkey** will be May 15 - May 25, 1999. The cost will be \$1950 per person. The itinerary includes visits to Istanbul, Cappadocia, Pamukkale, Kusadasi, and much more. Visit mosques, ancient cathedrals and palaces. Learn about Turkey's rich culture!

Carl Barnes and Bonnie Abiko from the Department of Art and Art History will lead the trip.

Information is now available at CSA. Reservations for the trip can be made by calling Gina at DeWald Travel, (248) 528-9900 or (800) 228-0707.

#### The CSA Service Window

**We now have tickets or sign up for the following:**

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## Basketball

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their lead to 71-61.

Reynolds hit a lay-up with only 20 seconds left but IUPUI answered back with two free throws by Don Carlisle to finish the scoring.

Leading the Golden Grizzlies' attack was Thom and Buddenborg with 14. Champagne hit all three of his shots from the field as he had 9.

The Golden Grizzlies three point tandem of Buddenborg and Rozycki combined for 2 of 23. Thom was the bright spot for the Golden Grizzlies' three-point attack as he shot 40 percent from the arc on his ten attempts.

"I never thought I'd see us shoot the ball that poorly at home," said Kampe.

Thom summed up the disappointing loss. "The ball didn't fall for us, but we can't use that as an excuse. It seemed that they scored on us on every possession down the stretch."

"We were open and we missed a couple of shots. We let the misses get into our head," said Buddenborg.

The Golden Grizzlies rebounded strong against Youngstown State University defeating the Penguins, 89-87 in front of 1220 spectators on Saturday.

In the second half, OU took a 83-72 lead with 1:25 left in the game. The Penguins cut the OU lead to two points when Albert Crockett hit a three with only 19 seconds left. OU was not to be denied the victory as OU held on for the victory.

Rozycki came back from a rough shooting night on Thursday to pace the Golden Grizzlies with a career high 37 points. Rozycki shot 7 of 13 from beyond the three-point line.

"We were really determined to win," said Rozycki.

## SPB brings you Detroit Documentaries

OU alumnus Gary Glisser's  
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## Chuck Shepherd's News of the Weird

### LEAD STORIES

— Since July, the Tutenko Chinese restaurant in Tokyo has been offering the all-you-can-eat luncheon buffet (regularly about \$16) to the first 30 dinners a day at the price of about 30 cents a minute, measured by a time clock that dinnertime punch when entering and exiting. Other restaurants have copied the idea in recession-torn Japan, according to a December Wall Street Journal report, and some have found that including alcoholic beverages on the per-minute menu tends to get people to stay longer.

— Tim Cridland, touring as Zamora the Torture King in an entertainment show in which he endures massive pain, told The Riverfront Times (St. Louis) in December that he broke from the similar but better known Jim Rose Circus over "artistic differences." Among Zamora's feats: the traditional skewers through the cheeks and neck; swallowing swords and fire; jumping up and down barefoot on broken bottles; and his occasional "piece de resistance": swallowing a length of twine, then removing it from his stomach through on-stage surgery with scalpel and forceps.

— Men in Peril (continued): According to police in Lake City, Fla., in November, Felisha Ann Copeland, 31, on learning of her ex-husband's new girlfriend, dumped a pot of boiling grits in his lap while he was seated, naked, on the toilet of the home they still share. He suffered severe blistering. And in Middletown, Conn., in December, Raquel K. Husman, 41, was charged with assault for allegedly slashing her ex-boyfriend's scrotum with her fingernails when she discovered him with another woman. He needed 24 stitches.

### LATEST HIGHWAY TRUCK SPILLS

— Among the cargo spilled in tractor-trailer accidents in 1998: 25 tons of pudding (West Virginia, September); 2,000 cases of beer (Michigan, July); 4 tons of flour (Ontario, August); tons of noodles, which expanded in the rain (Maryland, July); 20 tons of cheese, which caught fire, producing fondue (Wales, October); \$45,000 in quarters (Illinois, June); 50,000 \$1 bills (Kansas, November); 500,000 honeybees (Washington, October, and another 4 million in Wisconsin in November); 12 tons of garbage (Rhode Island, March); 6,700 gallons of animal fat (Ohio, May, which was cleaned up with liquid detergent); and 20,000 gallons of liquid detergent (elsewhere in Ohio, 10 days later).

— Among the really gross highway truck spills of 1998: a load of frozen dough that thawed and rotted before it could be scraped up (Massachusetts, September); 22 tons of mad-cow-tainted blood (England, September); a load of hog intestines and cow heads (Ohio, November), and sewage (Rhode Island, April; Texas, September); and a slow spill in New York in July that coated five miles of roadway just north of Albany).

### LIFE IMITATES THE MOVIES

— In September, red harvester ants in the soil at the Hanford nuclear complex near Richland, Wash., were found to be radioactive, as were flies and gnats swarming around ordinary garbage at Hanford the next month, and Hanford managers feared that additional contamination might be spread by mice, insects and vegetation such as tumbleweeds. (An Associated Press report on Hanford in October reminded readers of the 1954 movie "Them!" starring James Arness, in which "huge, marauding ants are spawned by nuclear experiments.")

### CEILING-CRAWLING IN ALBUQUERQUE

— On Dec. 1, a 35-year-old man, who had been dining in an Albuquerque restaurant, climbed into the ceiling in a restroom, crawled around a bit, and fell through, into the kitchen. The police were not able to determine a motive. Six days later, another man robbed a Bank of Albuquerque branch on its first day of business by dropping down from ceiling panels, where he had been hiding for an undetermined period of time. Only a small amount of money was on hand, however, and witnesses said the man shook his head in frustration as he left.

### I DON'T THINK SO

— In September, Libya's Moammar Gadhafi broadcast a video that he said caught a 1996 assassination attempt against him by British agents. However, on frame-by-frame inspection, according to an Associated Press report, the grenade on the video appeared merely to be painted onto the tape in a man's hand and ten onto other frames as an airborne object headed toward Gadhafi. Not surprisingly, the "grenade" did not explode, and Gadhafi was spared, but he said a British agent was arrested and had confessed.

— Ms. Farcena Jabbar, 37, was arrested in Colombo, Sri Lanka, in October and charged with trying to pass a U.S. \$1 million bill (a denomination that does not exist). To assist her scheme, Jabbar supplied a "certificate of authenticity" signed by officials of the "International Association of Millionaires."

— Canadian author Robert Lannon was arrested in October in Acton, Ontario, and charged with making death threats against his estranged brother, Art, in the form of several unvarnished references to Art's being murdered in Robert's lawyer, however, said in December that he expects the case to be dropped as soon as the authorities focus on the standard disclaimer near the title page: that any resemblance between a character and a real person is "strictly coincidental."

— At an Annapolis, Md., City Council meeting in October, 23 people spoke against a proposed ordinance restricting ownership of pit bulls (to those age 25 and older and with at least \$500,000 liability insurance), including a representative of the United Kennel Club in Michigan, who said the bill "has no place in America" because it is "no less than racial prejudice."

### SMOKING KILLS

— A 78-year-old woman in Winnipeg, Manitoba, froze to death on her apartment balcony in December when she stepped out for a cigarette and accidentally locked the door behind her, exposing her overnight to below-freezing temperatures and winds around 40 mph. And a Livermore, Calif., high school junior was killed in December in a fight with a man who became annoyed with him after the student gave him one cigarette but refused to give him a second.

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## Cook

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Eighteenth Angel," plus the yet-to-be-released "The Bumblebee Flies Anyway," with another teen attraction, Elijah Wood. "She's All That," marks her first commercially visible effort.

The film, also starring the diverse talents of comedian Kevin Pollak, R&B artist Usher Raymond and rapper Kimberly "Lil Kim" Jones, tells the story of Laney Boggs (Cook), an all-together too grown-up girl of 17.

Boggs, a social outcast according to the scales of high school politics, worries little about her popularity quotient. Her cares entail mostly her art, her family and the social injustices of the real world.

"She's not a loser," says Cook, describing her character's surprisingly independent spirit. "She doesn't want your respect. She doesn't want your pity. She

couldn't give a shit."

Then, along comes Zack Siler (Prince Jr.), the Student Body President. Siler is that cocky but heartfelt guy we all knew in high school - girls would die to date him and guys would kill to be just like him.

After Siler's girlfriend, queen bee Taylor Vaughan (O'Keefe) dumps him for a "celebrity" from MTV's "The Real World," (the fictitious Brock Hudson, played by Lillard), Siler bets his friends that he can turn any girl into the prom queen. All they need is to be seen with him. But Siler gets more than he bargains for, when he attempts to woo Boggs, who, at first, couldn't care less about every girl's dream. The film's stars, the prettiest of the pretty people in young Hollywood, are a far cry from their hell-raising 1980s Brat Pack predecessors, such as Judd Nelson, Ally Sheedy, Anthony Michael Hall, Emilio Estevez and Molly Ringwald.

## History

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As dedication is important to the sport of swimming it shows through in the coaches at OU.

Hovland moved across the country to be a part of OU's program. Teeters, currently holds OU championship records and has been an avid participant in the swim teams for years.

Assistant Athletic Director Tracy Huth was an All-American in 1981-84, holds six individual NCAA II national records, one relay record and was national champion in the 200 and 400 individual medley in 1981, 1982, 1983 and 1984.

Not only have OU swimmers moved onto coach for their alma mater, but more than 50 others have taken coaching jobs in either high schools, clubs or other universities.

These men have an obvious

"I mean, there was always this image of young Hollywood being, like, crazy, reckless, and mean. And like, drug-doing, hotel-smashing ... That just really doesn't happen anymore, to tell you the truth," she says, addressing what she thinks about this new teen-age boom.

"We're all, like, such adults at such a young age. It's really bizarre. And that just, like, doesn't happen. I mean, if those parties go on, I wasn't invited. I don't know, I mean, all those horror stories of people doing coke in the bathroom, are over — so over."

If that prognosis is true, then the next ten years should be an interesting time for the New Pack.

"...The truth is, in the next ten years we'll know who's gonna make it through this teen craze, and have careers as adults. And some of us will end up on TV shows. Some of us will sell random products on QVC. Some of

us are gonna continue to do film. Some of us are gonna be directors, and whatever. Hell, (child-actor) Gary Coleman cleans people's carpets," she says.

"I'm just gonna save my money and just hope that I can keep working. I've got, like, two feet on the ground. I'm not stupid. I know how fleeting this could be," she says, reluctant to admit her inevitable rise to fame.

Even so, Cook thankfully dreams big, and says her dream career would include a three-picture deal at a major studio, with co-production and the potential to act in some of the films.

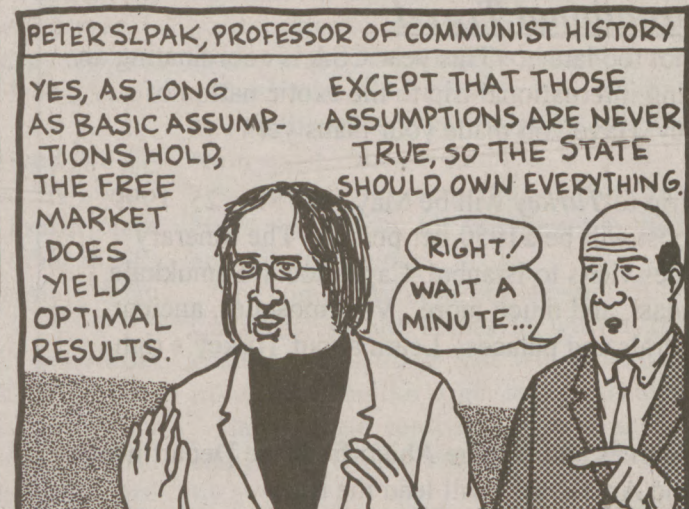
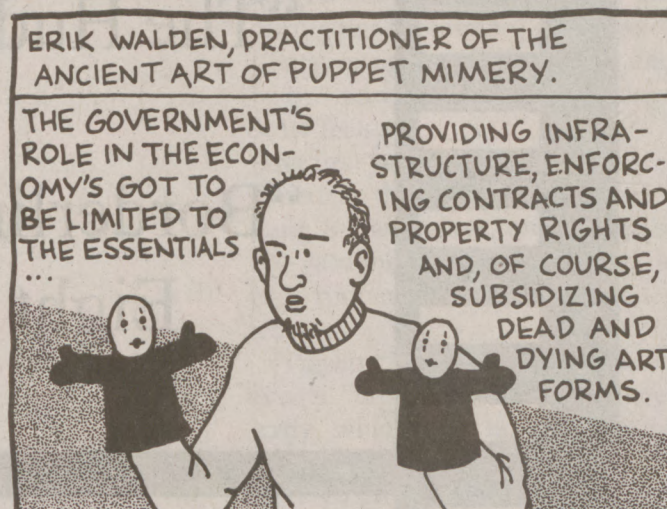
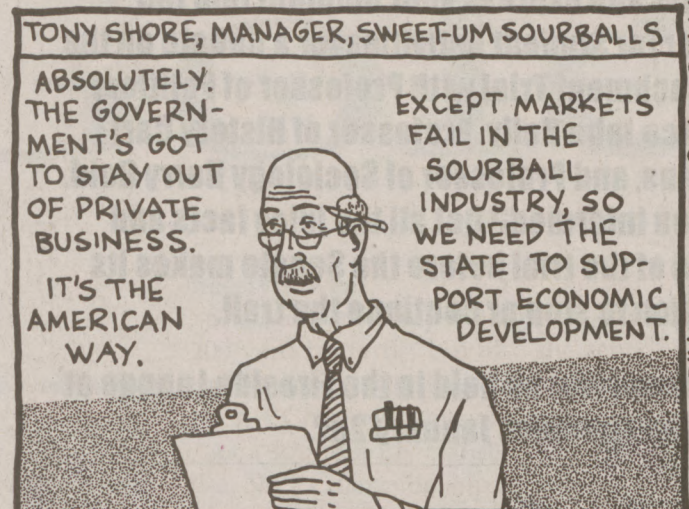
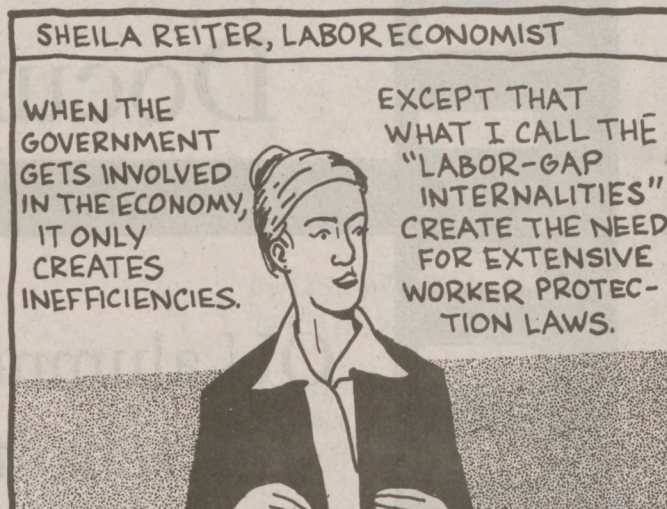
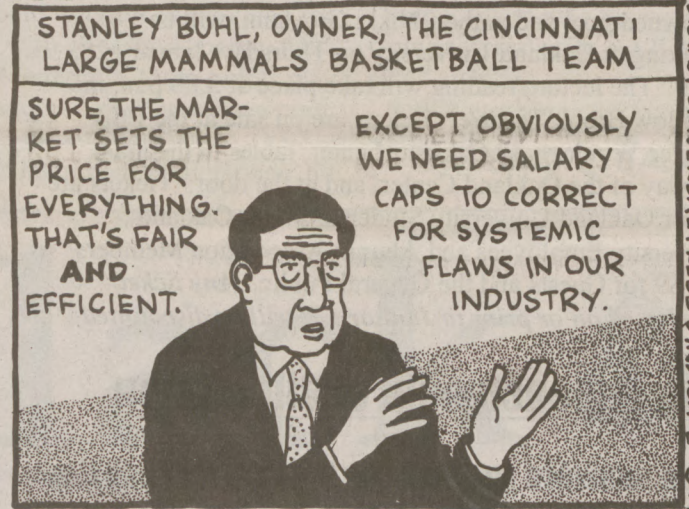
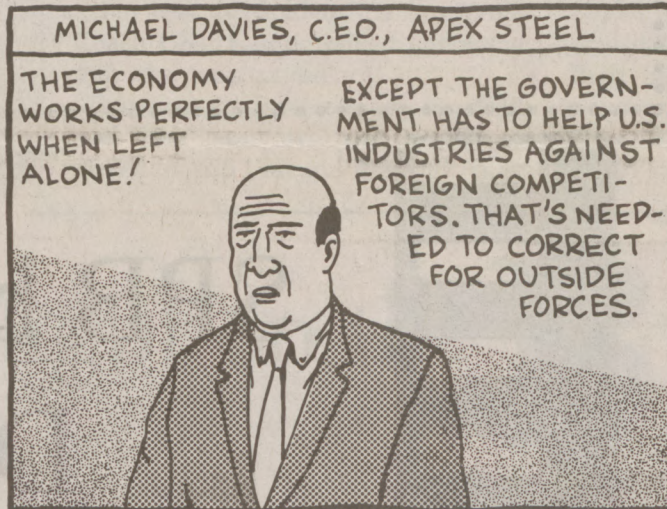
"But, it's hard to even say that," she says, weary of leaping off to stardom with her head in the clouds. "It's too much of a knock on wood thing."

Suddenly, Cook reaches down the table's side, lifts up the white linen tablecloth, and feels for the bottom of the wooden table. Tap, tap, tap, her knuckles beat. Cook isn't pressing her luck.

TOM THE  
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