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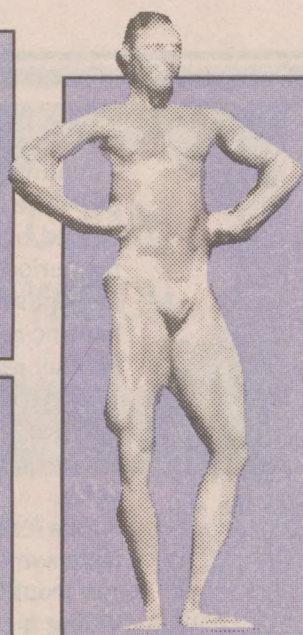
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## Mr. Buff

Mr. Brian Klaus, left, won the Mr. Western Michigan Bodybuilding Championships held recently at the Grand Rapids Gerald R. Ford Fieldhouse. Find out what makes Mr. Klaus, Mr. Buff. It sure ain't sausage pizza.

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## Downtown Deanna

Guard Deanna Richard, left, was named to the all-tournament team at the GR Press Tournament at Aquinas College.

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## Briefly...

### Important Dates

Dec. 2- The extended early registration period for Winter Semester, 1995, ends.

Dec. 5- Payment of tuition, fees and the first housing payment is due for those who registered during early registration in November. Late payments will result in cancellation of classes.

Dec. 23- Holiday recess, runs through Jan. 2, 1995.

### Film Series

Only One Earth: Big Fish, Little Fish will be presented on Dec. 1 by the Honor's College in Annex 1 of the Oakland Center. The noon hour film is part of the Environmental Film Series. Call 4450 for further details.

### Presidential Office Hours

OU president Sandra Packard will have open office hours on Dec. 2 from 3:30-5 p.m., Office of the President, located at 204 Wilson Hall. There will also be an open house Dec. 9 at the same times, in the Oakland Room, Oakland Center. For more info, call 370-3500.

### Christmas Walk

Nov. 27-Dec. 1- "Christmas in the Castle" (annual Meadow Brook Hall Christmas Walk). Open Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door; general admission is \$10, children under 13 years and OU students with an ID are charged \$5, and children 4 years old and under get in free. There will be patron dinners Dec. 1-3, reservations only. For more info, call 370-3140.

## Board of Trustees Student rep on agenda

By JILL ROBINSON  
Assistant News Editor

By next fall the board of trustees may hear new voices at their meetings. The University Affairs Committee will formally propose the long considered idea of a student board member at the Dec. 1 trustee meeting.

However, the student liaison will be on the board in a non-voting capacity due to the fact that membership is set in state law with a trustee seat being an appointed position. According to trustee Ann Nicholson in order to have a student on the board of trustees the state constitution would have to be amended.

"The logic behind it is that a formal position would make students feel less intimidated about speaking before the board," said Nicholson. "But this won't make a huge difference or give an advantage because the meetings are already open to everyone."

"I think it's a great idea," Nicholson said. "If it's helpful to them, why not?" Nicholson feels that two students would be even better, allowing for more input and covering in case of absence by one liaison.

"This is better than nothing, if things work well things may change someday," Student Congress president Mike Simon said. "Voting status is still a goal."

Simon pointed out that currently the board is not obligated to respond to comments from the audience. "Now we have a forum to get perspective across to the board," Simon said.

"I think students will feel more comfortable speaking to the board now," OU president Sandra Packard said. "Being a liaison will provide the students with a great learning experience, but no more access will be available, so things won't be that much different."

"The difference will be in perception, the liaison will serve as a link between students and the board," said Amy Rickstad, last year's SC president. "They will

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## THE & Oakland University PROPOSED MERGER



• Left, DCL Dean, David S. Favre and OU President, Sandra Packard.

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Vice President of Academic Affairs

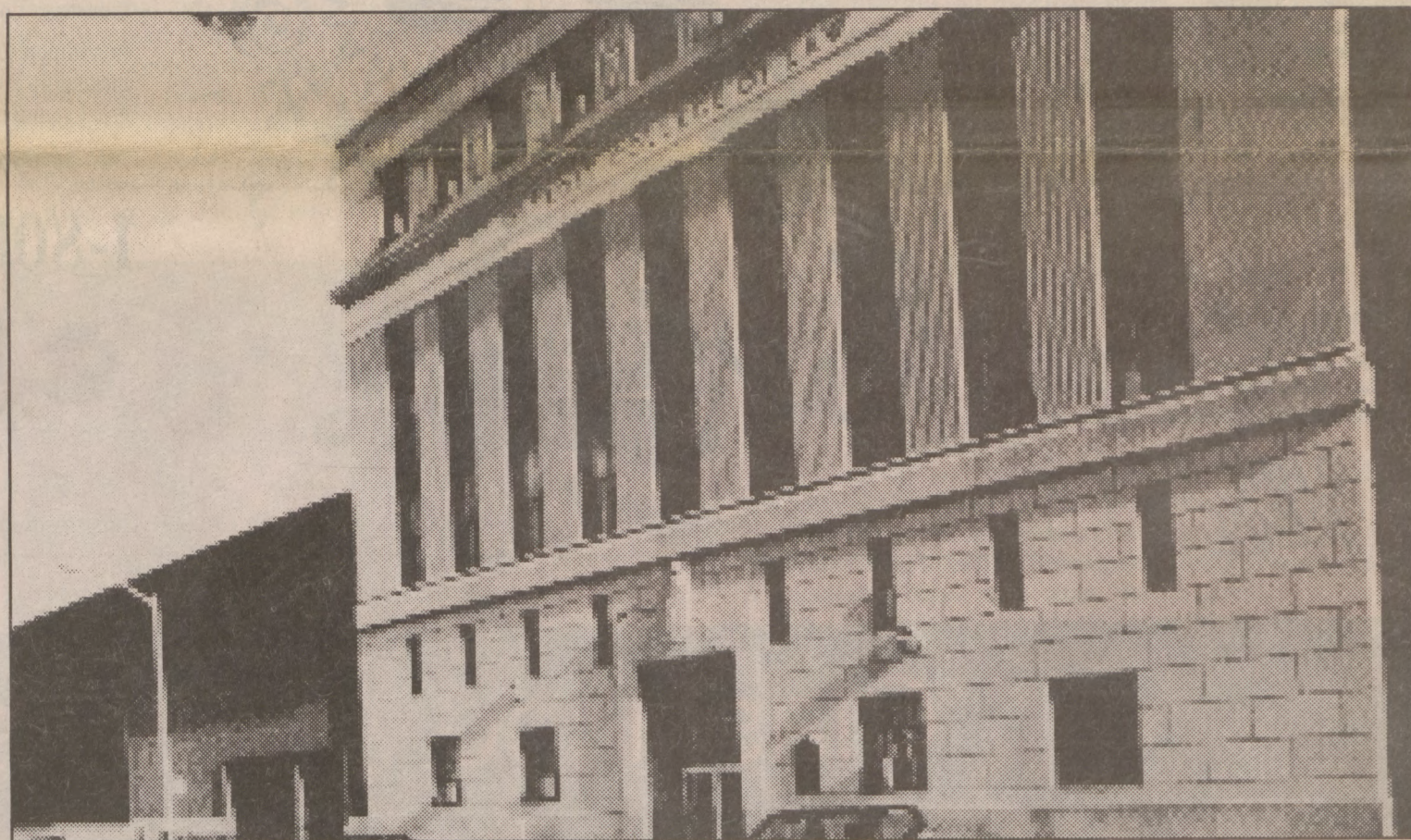


Photo courtesy DCL PR Office

The current location of The Detroit College of Law may soon be absorbed if Mike Ilitch's plans for a new Tiger Stadium are approved by the state. If so, the 102-year-old school may move to Oakland University's campus.

## Law school examines OU

By ROBERT SNELL  
Editor in Chief

Oakland University is awaiting a decision from the Detroit College of Law -- which is considering proposals from Michigan State University and OU to relocate its school to Oakland County or possibly lose its American Bar Association accreditation -- but for now, the jury is out.

"(Losing accreditation) is certainly one of the serious problems we're facing right now,"

George Bashara, the president of DCL's board of trustees admitted. "We certainly hope that OU remains a viable option for us."

According to OU Trustee Rex Schlaybaugh, a loss of accreditation is a major threat.

To qualify to take the state attorney's licensing exam, also known as the bar exam, a student must graduate from an accredited ABA law school, according to the State Bar of Michigan.

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## Campus would welcome DCL

By ERICA BLAKE  
Features Editor

As the Detroit College of Law faces a possible relocation to make room for the Tigers' third base, OU students are hopeful that there may be a new addition to their campus.

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## Report rejects sex clause proposal

By ROBERT CARR  
News Editor

An ad-hoc committee of the OU Board of Trustees is recommending no changes, rejecting a student-led proposal to add a sexual orientation clause in OU's current Equal Opportunity Policy.

The committee made its recommendation in a report, dated Nov. 15 and signed by trustees Andrea Fischer and Rex Schlaybaugh. The trustees concluded that an amendment to the policy would not be

advisable at this time.

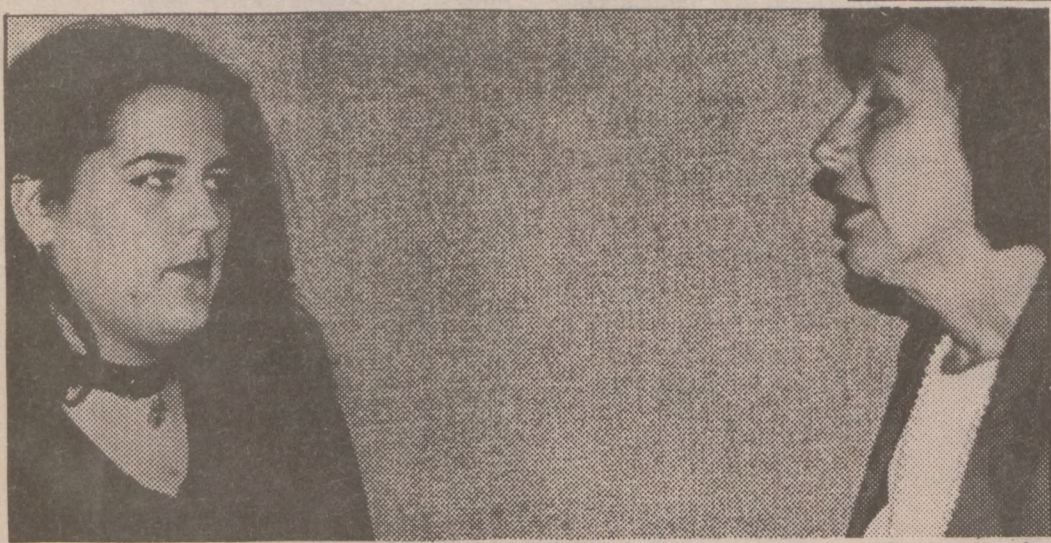
The recommendation is based on the current legislative vacuum in this area. Neither state nor federal laws include gay and lesbian individuals as a specially protected class. The report concludes it would be difficult to enforce because of the lack of legal cases to consult in this area, and because of the need to be aware of other's rights.

Sandra Packard, OU's president, said Tuesday that discrimination of any kind will not be tolerated on the campus. But she said, "The campuses

that went first on this (policy) are getting the lawsuits, we didn't want any part of that."

Delayne Elyse, an officer with OU's Gay and Lesbian Alliance, said the report's findings are "ridiculous, but not surprising. There's been too much research done by other schools that the amended policy works. This report just shows that the OU board doesn't support its students."

Michael Simon, OU's student congress president, said, "This report will not deter us, it is far from over."



Delayne Elyse, left, and President Sandra Packard discuss the equal opportunity issue at the October board of trustees meeting.



## DCL

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"Clearly, accreditation is critical to the success of a law school," Schlaybaugh, a member of Dykema, Gossett law firm, said. Schlaybaugh is handling the delicate negotiations which could lead to a match between the two institutions.

DCL is caught between the Detroit Tigers proposed stadium expansion and American Bar Association regulations for office and classroom space. To survive, its physical plant must expand, but the college exceeds acceptable capacity in its current facility in downtown Detroit.

A law school can lose its ABA accreditation if it fails to meet certain criteria. The criteria are not limited to academics, but include space, and that's where DCL has run into its own brick walls. "There is book of standards (of the American Bar Association) that a school must comply with to meet the approval of the ABA," according to William Powers, the assistant consultant on legal education to the ABA, whose office is in charge of evaluating law schools.

"With law schools, they're either on the list of approved schools, or not on the list," Powers said. "DCL is an accredited school. Any school that is having space problems might have trouble complying with the physical plant (aspect of ABA accreditation standards)."

If the proposed new Tiger Stadium is built where Tiger owner Mike Ilitch is lobbying, it will eliminate DCL's parking structure.

Even if the stadium goes elsewhere, further growth and expansion is limited at the current Detroit site prompting a suburban move.

DCL says Detroit's changing demographics is one reason that the 102-year-old law school will leave the city. Bashara said that approximately 35 percent of DCL's students live in Oakland County.

"Our studies have shown about 10 percent of our students live in the city of Detroit," David S. Favre, the dean of the college said. "The greatest number of the students hail from Oakland County. The demographics cannot reasonably sustain the college at the size which we find necessary to continue with a full-

service law school.

"We have come to the conclusion, most reluctantly, that our only alternative to continue the Detroit College of Law as a viable institution is to affiliate with another institution."

And as far as certain OU administrators are concerned, that institution should be Oakland University.

"I think we offer a variety of support services," Gary Russi, the vice president of academic affairs said, "including a library, computing, and access to other financial systems in terms of supplying students with direct service... including placement; a broad array of institutional support services that they would not have access to if they're located a long distance from a main campus."

Russi was referring to Michigan State University's proposal to build DCL a building at its Troy center, some 80 miles from MSU's main campus in East Lansing. Another issue with MSU would be control. MSU reportedly would like to take over DCL administratively.

Oakland's proposed relationship has not been made public.

## Liaison

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be formally recognized and able to participate in debates and discussions."

The recommendation comes after a Student Congress proposal, researched by president Amy Rickstad, asking that a student be part of the board in a voting capacity.

The original objective changed somewhat after realizing that in order to get a voting member, an amendment would have to be made to the state constitution. Rickstad then began to look for a non-voting member and approached the trustees in April, 1994.

The plan was modeled after Saginaw Valley State University, whose board is the only one in Michigan that has a student seat.

Duties of the student liaisons would include attendance at all scheduled open meetings of the board, service for one academic year, make periodic reports regarding Board activities to student

groups and participate in an orientation program.

The position would require at least a 2.5 g.p.a., a minimum of 56 credit hours with 28 coming from OU. The liaison must agree not to hold any other elected or appointed leadership positions during the period of the appointment. The student has to display service to the campus or community and have no record of disciplinary action at Oakland or another university.

A recommendation submitted to the president by Vice-President of Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder outlines the purpose of having a such a voice.

She feels that most issues presented to the board have some bearing on student life and that a liaison would be a great resource to the board by providing a cross-section of student views and opinions.

"The board then asked my office for an alternative proposal," Snyder said, "they felt there might be intermediary ways to go about getting formal relationship with students other than an appointment."

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November 16 - 11:50 p.m.

A woman at the Lepley Sports center was run into by a man. After he walked into her, he turned around and came back toward her. She asked him why he collided with her. The man responded by shaking his finger in her face and shouting something like

"Don't wave your finger in my face." He then entered the men's locker room. The suspect was identified by the woman and her son. Her son, a member of the Live Y'ers, said the man has been entering the locker room after their swimming practice. The woman said the pool is closed to all other patrons during the Live Y'ers practice. The man has made the boy and several others uncomfortable by watching them while they changed clothes, showered, and used the bathroom facilities.

**November 17 - 2:08 a.m.** OU police arrested a student after pulling her over for speeding. The student could not produce her driver's license. The police checked and found that she has four suspensions on her license. Auburn Hills Police also had a bench warrant for a contempt of court charge from 52-3 District Court. OU police transferred the student to an Auburn Hills police officer.

**November 18 - 12:46 p.m.** Rochester Hills Fire Department extinguished a fire in the trunk of a car at the Katke-Cousins Golf Course. Investigators believe that the fire started when a golf club fell against a battery in the trunk which was used to power an electric golf cart.

## CRIME WATCH

By Bob Weaver

# Campus News

## Graffiti: It's hurting the campus

By MARY LOWE  
Special Writer

Anti-semitism, racism and homophobia still exist on OU's campus, despite an agenda to achieve cultural diversity.

One only has to make a visit to the restroom and read the messages on the stall door, look down to see the scribbling on the pavement or look up and see the writing on the wall.

During the 1993-94 academic year, OU Police logged 28 complaints of hateful and often violent messages left on campus property. Of those 28 reports, 20 were against African-Americans, four were anti-semitic,

three were anti-white and one was Satanic.

Already, this semester one report has been made detailing anti-gay messages. It was reported to OU Police by Vice President of Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder, following the Gay and Lesbians Alliance's celebration of National Coming Out Day.

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance sketched pastel pink triangles on the sidewalks and chalked the pavement with phrases like "Homophobia is a social disease," and "Silence=Death."

Almost immediately, violent hate messages appeared among GALA's calls for freedom of sexual orientation. "If you are gay you should be shot," and "We're gay



Twenty-eight hate messages were scrawled on OU's campus during the 1993-94 academic year.

bashers—Stay in the closet," were two of the messages that were inscribed on the pavement. See GRAFFITI page 11

## Student Senate can't ban gays

NACOGDOCHES, Texas -

The president of Stephen F. Austin University has ordered that the school's student government recognize the Gay and Lesbian Student Association after student senators voted to deny the group certification.

In mid-October, the university student senate recommended to revoke recognition of the year-old Gay and Lesbian Student Association (GSLA) and slashed its funding from student fees by 60 percent.

After heated debate, the Stephen F. Austin student government voted 30-26 to ban the GSLA because its members may participate in illegal behavior. Student senators in favor of the ban argue that by participating in homosexual relationships, members of the GSLA were engaging in illegal activity. Sodomy is illegal under Texas law.

But President Dr. Dan Angel revoked the vote, saying it violated the gay student group's First Amendment rights.

"The Student Government Association is an entity of the state and cannot restrict speech or association just because many, or even most, people find opinions of a particular group repugnant," said Angel, citing a 1984 federal court ruling against Texas A&M University in a case in which a gay student group was denied recognition by the school.

Currently, there are 180 student groups at Stephen F. Austin University.

Had the vote stood, the GSLA would not have been able to post signs or hold meetings on campus.



## Students say no to racist graffiti

FAIRFIELD, Conn. -

In response to a recent outbreak of racist graffiti on campus, students at Fairfield University have come together to show that those responsible for the offensive scrawling are acting alone.

After signing a pledge to remain open and tolerant toward other backgrounds and lifestyles, students, faculty, members and school administrators receive "Fairfield Together!" buttons, which are meant to show disapproval of the racist graffiti.

"The philosophy behind this is to isolate the bigots and make them realize that they are acting alone and not as part of the campus community," said Murray Farber, spokesperson for the university. "The students feel strongly about this."

According to Farber, there have been 10 isolated incidents of graffiti on walls throughout campus, usually hateful messages aimed at black, Jewish and gay students. "It might not have been that big of a deal at other schools but the students took it very seriously here," he said. The idea to promote campus unity through the "Fairfield Together!" buttons came from students and faculty members, says Farber. So far, more than 3,000 students have signed the pledge and are wearing their buttons. Fairfield has 4,300 students.

## Financial Aid says OU students are to blame

By FRAN VINCENT  
Staff Writer

On a campus where 58 percent of the 13,000 students apply for \$16.5 million in financial aid, the workload at the OU Financial Aid Office gets heavy.

However, students who complain about Financial Aid probably don't expect the staff to have a few complaints about them.

Financial Aid hears it all the time—horror stories about lost or misplaced paperwork, unreceived money, and other mishaps. But after being blasted, they rarely have the opportunity to defend themselves and set the record straight, said Lisa Siudym, Associate Director for Financial Aid.

She says that "many students have a Burger King mentality—they want it their way right away" and the Financial Aid staff tries their best to accommodate them, but it's not always possible.

According to Lee Anderson, Director of Financial Aid, there are four common mistakes students typically make when filling out federal financial aid applications.

1) Students incorrectly estimate their parents income or they copy it incorrectly from tax returns.



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Above, Financial Aid office assistant Sylvia Sigler sorts through the many student aid files. Right, Lisa Siudym, the Associate Director of Financial Aid, checks on the current status of an OU student.

2) Students do not report various untaxed income such as social security and child support.

3) Rather than reporting income tax that the student/parents paid (as listed on their tax returns), they report their withholdings from their W-2 forms instead.

4) When students list the number of their family members (as well as those who are also in college), they often forget to include themselves.

"When family contribution reports are wrong, students could lose time and miss out on money otherwise entitled to them because they missed the deadline date," said Anderson.

Siudym admits that the office sometimes makes mistakes, but adds that with the volume of work, students really need to make sure that they fill out their paperwork completely and accurately and follow up on the progress of their applications.

"It's hard to follow up on something when you work days and the Financial Aid Office is only open till 5," said Mary Jo Reuter, elementary education junior.

Currently, the Financial Aid Office does not have an after-hours answering system for students to leave messages. But with the new campus phone system, "we could check into getting that," said Siudym.

Starting today, the Financial Aid Office will be open late every Wednesday.

"We'll be open at least until 6:30 p.m. but maybe till 7 p.m.... we're still deciding," said Anderson.

"When I applied (for the 1992-93 school year) they lost some of my paperwork. It never got processed and I lost the chance for financial aid," said Reuter.

"It's impossible to verify that now... but we don't find we have the habit of losing documents," said Anderson.

"That's why we recommend they follow up. If you haven't heard anything in two to three weeks, give the Financial Aid Office a quick call to check your status," said Siudym.

She adds that students don't always do their paperwork in a timely fashion. Forms for the 1995-96 academic year will be available in January. Students should turn in their paperwork after they have their income information available (usually in February).

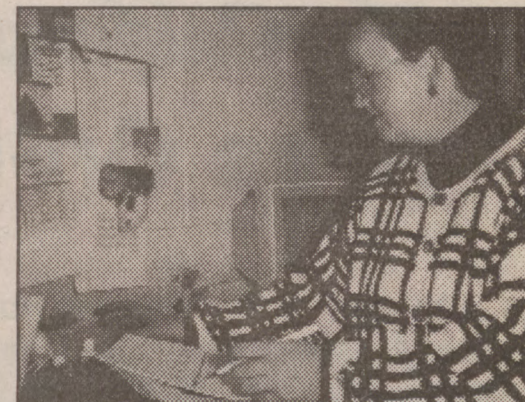
They should then follow up by calling the office at the end of March to make sure that their applications are in order, completed, and ready to go, said Siudym.

The application deadline for the fall semester is usually by the

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"Many students have a Burger King mentality—they want it their way right away."

-- Lisa Siudym, Associate Director



## Fink award honors 2 for race relations work

By NICK MORETTI  
Staff Writer

Melissa Winter and Tiffany Thomas were the recipients of this year's Sydney Fink Award which honors students who have improved campus race relations.

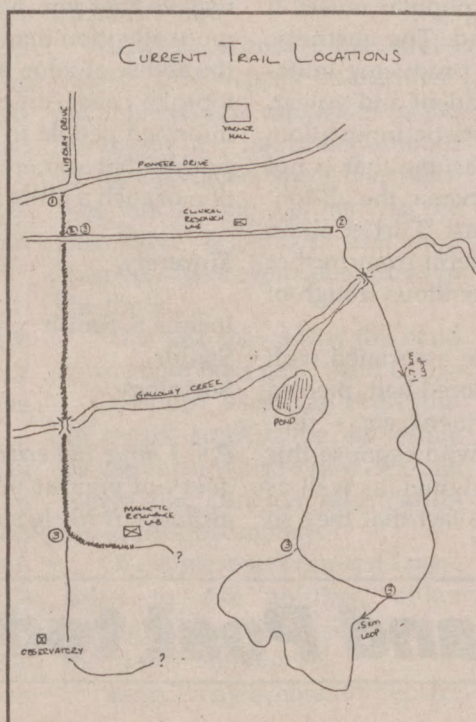
Winter served on the Student Program Board as chairperson and helped initiate several culturally diverse events at OU.

"When I joined the SPB it had the stigma of being the 'white student program board', so I introduced different types of programs such as the 'Songs of my People', a slide show and commentary on African American life."

Winter also arranged for Native American singer/songwriter Bill Miller to perform at the SPB's first Coffeehouse event.

Thomas worked as an assistant intern coordinator with the placement and services office at OU. She was very active in recruit-

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By NICK MORETTI  
Staff Writer

Student Congress recently proposed a bill for the Nature Trails of Oakland University, a project which would revamp currently existing trails on the campus' south side.

Although there is a trail now, it is basically unused, and supporters of the Nature Trails feel this is a waste, especially considering the beauty of OU's land.

The cost will be \$1,190 for the construction and widening of the trails, and an additional \$125 for publicity to inform the students. Future maintenance of the trails will be the responsibility of various student organizations.

Matthew Karrandja of student congress said, "We're creating it, but it will be up to future OU students to maintain it. Different organizations (can take turns on the upkeep), and get their names on a sign, or publicity for their organization."

The trails aren't much use now, but after construction the trails will be wider and/or improved, a main sign at the entrance with a map of the trails, and 20 to 30 signs pointing out important or unique natural features along the trails. The trails can then be accessed for walking, jogging, and cross country skiing.

Keith Berven, an associate professor in ecology, endorses the trails because "we have a wonderful resource on the south side of campus, and we need to make it possible for someone unfamiliar with it (to access it.) It would be similar to many area nature centers, like Stoney Creek."

The Nature Trails are also endorsed by Virinder Moudgil, Chairman of Biological Sciences and President Packard. Karrandja expects the bill to pass unanimously and said that construction would begin in the Spring of '95.



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### EDITOR'S VIEWPOINT

## Committee's recommendation dissapointing, but not the final word

Well, she did it.

Andrea Fischer's recommendation that the university not include "sexual orientation" in its equal opportunity policy makes one question the appropriateness of a "lame duck" rule for the board of trustees.

While the announcement failed to surprise GALA's Delayne Elyse, who must have seen this decision coming for quite some time, the university should give the recommendation little credence.

Fischer has already won a seat on the board of regents at the University of Michigan and is basically awaiting the end of the semester before she will head southwest -- though the question of her transportation is still in doubt.

While we don't want to suggest that Fischer did not give her full attention to the issue, we have to question her loyalty and her prejudices. She will turn her back on this decision and focus on a new slate of issues at U-M. The university community, including the board of trustees, should do the same to her recommendation.

Although Fischer and Rex Schlaybaugh, both lawyers, signed the recommendation, Fischer should not have been allowed to pass off a potentially combustible decision in the twilight of her trusteeship. She is, in a sense, a lame duck, and the board should merely give her the customary salutatory resolution, sweep the agenda clean and ignore Fischer's recommendation.

## The Oakland Post goes On-Line

Readers of *The Oakland Post* may now send letters to the editor via a newly created E-Mail account. There are two ways to access the Post's account. First, at **OakPost@Oakland.edu** or **OakPost@vela.acs.oakland.edu**. The account was established to provide students, faculty members and employees an opportunity to conveniently deliver comments, concerns, diatribes, and of course, Letters To The Editor.

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# Opinion



### Letters To The Editor

## Counselor details therapy groups

Dear Editor,

Support groups are now forming for Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACOA's). Groups will be held at the Counseling Center in the Graham Health Center; meeting in the evenings on a weekly basis for one-and-a-half hours. The groups are facilitated by two trained counselors.

Who is an ACOA and why might he/she benefit from a support group? ACOA is the term used to describe someone who grew up in a home where one or both parents had a problem with alcohol. People frequently do not join ACOA groups because they are not sure they "qualify". They are not sure whether their parent really was an alcoholic or not. They believe it "doesn't count" because the adult in question

wasn't a parent but was a step-parent, grandparent or older sibling. In truth these considerations are secondary and may cloud the main issue. A better way to think about this is to ask yourself if when you were growing up was there an important adult who drank in a manner that was frightening or hurtful to him/her, you, or any other family member. If the answer is yes, then an ACOA group might be right for you.

If you grew up in such a home, you are not alone. In a recent survey conducted by the Counseling Center, 35 percent of the OU students polled stated that their mother had an alcohol or other drug problem. These students often tell us that they have troubled memories that interfere with their ability to enjoy things and connect with others. Ironically, despite this widespread problem, ACOA's often feel alone with the feel-

ings. Frequently, the alcohol problem was hidden and not discussed even within the family. The child interprets this as meaning they are not to talk to others about what happens within the family. Even after they have grown up and leave the family home (i.e., go to college) they continue to maintain an air of secrecy. They long to share their thoughts and feelings but avoid doing so out of feelings of embarrassment, fear of being looked down on or rejected, or being disloyal to their family. An ACOA group becomes an opportunity to share in a safe, confidential atmosphere with other people who have had similar experiences.

Sometimes people recognize that their family had problems but believe that since they no longer live in the family home these problems no longer affect them. However, our childhood

experiences are not wiped from our memory the day we move out of the house. Those experiences are part of us and influence our current relationships and feelings.

Common problems experienced by ACOA's include: relationship difficulties, low self-esteem, lack of self-confidence, feelings of loneliness and bouts of depression and/or anxiety. The good news is that most ACOA's can be greatly helped by support groups and/or individual counseling. Discussing and resolving their personal concerns can help them to feel good about themselves and lead them toward better and more satisfying relationships.

Sincerely,

Barbara Talbot,  
Ph.D.  
Counseling Center

## Post reader relegates Punks as degenerates

Dear Editor,

*The Oakland Post's* 10/26 article entitled "Punk" is

exactly the type of pretentious drive I expect from your publication. I shall attempt a critique; it will not be so "cutting edge" as your piece, but do try to keep up.

The musical phenomenon known as Punk was an English movement that lasted from approximately late 1976 through 1978. It undoubtedly exerted an incalculable influence on avant-garde popular music. It is also undoubtedly dead. The aesthetic dinosaurs who persist in producing imitations of this form are decadent and vulgar, incapable of authentic artistic innovation. What about progress; I assume that is not "cool". As for the late Nirvana, the all-too-predictable suicide of Kurt "Dirt" Cobain has at least saved the tasteful from further tolerating that wretch's vomitous trough of grunge-rock slop.

The degenerate lifestyle associated with the movement -- multi-colored hair, pierced noses, chronic unemployment, etc. -- this, too, is not clever. Those who espouse this standard are highly unoriginal, as well as intellectually stunted. The fact that they so

'Pretentious' retort

attentively attend to their external appearances, investing a great deal of time and effort into them, proves they are endorsing the cultural emphasis on style and image. I suppose relating to other humans in a genuine context requires too much effort.

The above mentioned article, coupled with the story concerning the trials and tribulations of dyed-hair, leads one to believe that you are giving these fools far more attention than they merit. Is it beyond the ability of your staff to find a stimulating topic to cover, or, perhaps, interesting and informed people to interview? It is not surprising that you are not above the glorification of such a filthy lot.

Sincerely,

Joshua S. Smith  
Senior  
Sociology

P.S. I hope the critical nature of this letter does not prevent you from publishing this, although it likely shall.

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# A Christmas Carol

For the 13th consecutive season Meadow Brook Theatre presents the holiday favorite, Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*.

Performance dates are through December 29 on: **Tuesday thru Saturday** at 8 p.m. **Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday** at 2 p.m. **Saturday** at 6 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. **Sunday** at 6:30 p.m.

Ticket prices depend on show, call (810)377-3300

**XMAS FAV:** Ebenezer Scrooge, played by Booth Colman, has the holiday spirit scared into him by the Ghost of Christmas Future (Gregory Wilson) in Meadow Brook Theatre's annual production of *A Christmas Carol*. On stage through December 29.



Photo courtesy/ Meadow Brook Theatre

## Features

### Strollin' through the season



Post photo/ Nou Kue

**CHRISTMAS SPIRIT:** Meadow Brook Hall becomes a gallery of lights and decorations every winter to celebrate Christmas during this festive holiday season. Each room in the hall was decorated by different participants in a different manner. Proceeds from the event goes toward the preservation of the mansion.

By CHRISTINA L. WALKONS  
Staff Writer

Once again Meadow Brook Hall opens its giant oak doors, soaking holiday tourists with the sounds and sights of Christmas.

This year's theme is "Christmas in the Castle". Various florists and exhibitors have donated their time and materials transforming Meadow Brook Hall into a "Castle" filled with Christmas spirit.

The rooms are touched with seasonal magic brought to life by various Christmas wreaths, trees, and decorated ornaments.

During the walk, volunteers, who are known as docents and normally tour guides, stand ready to answer any questions holiday on-lookers may have as they freely roam the mansion.

Gift shops and boutiques offer all sorts of knick-knacks that are

sure to please every holiday wanderer tempting those with weak wallets to go on a shopping frenzy.

The Carriage House, located across the courtyard, offers tasty morsels and drinks to all travelers with an appetite big or small.

Of course, no Christmas Castle could be complete without Mr. Claus dressed in red and white. Santa resides in Knole Cottage awaiting visitors young and old to stop in and say hello.

Tours began Sunday, November 27 and continue through Sunday, December 11. Hours are Mon.-Wed. 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Thurs.-Sun. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

General admission is \$10, \$5 for children under 13, and \$5 for any OU affiliates. Groups of 20 or more pay only \$7 per person. Children under four-year-old are free.

### Look out Arnold move over Sly

Meet OU's own Mr. Universe

By ERIC LUNDQUIST  
Staff Writer

During the day, Brian Klaus is content with taking all the required classes to earn his degree in exercise science. But in truth, he may be more qualified to teach the courses, rather than learn from them. After all, he is a champion at that sort of thing.

Klaus, a 21-year-old senior from Freeland, Michigan, put enough time, study, and sacrifice in this area of study to recently win the heavyweight Mr. Western Michigan Bodybuilding title. He competed in the Grand Rapids bodybuilding tournament on November 5, and cruised to an easy first place finish in the heavyweight division. He narrowly missed winning the overall title by one judge's vote.

"I was extremely pleased (with winning)," he says modestly. "I worked real hard and I'm satisfied."

Klaus started lifting weights five years ago when he was on his high school wrestling team, and simply wanted to add bulk to his 6'2" frame.

His large championship trophy now sits on the front counter at the Gold's Gym in Auburn Hills, where he both trained for the competition and works as a nutrition and fitness specialist. This was his fifth bodybuilding competition, having previously won the Mr. Teenage Flint and Mr. Teenage Michigan State bodybuilding championships. To prepare, Klaus spent two hours a day, six days a week in the gym pumping iron and getting aerobically fit. While these are certainly important factors, Klaus says there is another, larger part of the bodybuilding puzzle.

"Diet probably makes up 75% of the total preparation," he said. Most people have the idea that bodybuilders must starve themselves in order to attain the low body fat content they require to look "ripped".

But, in fact, this couldn't be further from the truth. During the four months that he trained for the contest, Klaus ate six meals per day, consuming only low-fat foods such as chicken, egg whites, turkey, rice and vegetables. His breakfast in the morning would be followed two or three hours later by another meal, and two hours after that, another, and so on. To drink, Klaus had two gallons of water per day, with some coffee and Crystal Lite. So strict was his training diet, that he found it necessary to move

See BODY page 8



Photo courtesy/ Brian Klaus

**FLEX:** Brian Klaus, who is glossed over with baby oil for competition, won a bodybuilding title due to hard work, dedication and no pizza diet.

### Computers aren't just for work anymore

By DAVID JABLONSKY  
Staff Writer

Walk into the computer center at Kresge Library and chances are half the students are riding the electronic super highway.

Electronic mail, or e-mail is the latest craze among computer users.

"People like to send messages electronically because it's faster and doesn't waste paper," said junior Matt Clark.

The concept, which has been around for a long time, is only now getting mass acceptance.

At least 10 years ago in the movie "War Games," a near nuclear war was started because one creative programmer tapped into government computers via a modem. The electronic mail

concept is not that much different.

Simply, the computer is hooked up to a modem, which in turn is connected to a telephone. The messages are then transmitted electronically through telephone lines.

"Everyone seems to be using e-mail, even the school paper has an address," said Clark.

Many newspapers have recently added e-mail addresses for readers to offer suggestions or criticism. Television stations have done the same.

The world of electronic mail does not end there.

Rock musicians Billy Idol and Billy Joel have e-mail addresses for fans to write. Keith Richards of the Rolling Stones recently did an interview electronically and the band Megadeth has created an

electronic world called *Megadeth, Arizona*.

*Megadeth, Arizona* is the band's World Wide Web site on the internet. Here, fans can write to the band, get new information about them, download special artwork and talk to one another via the interactive Megadiner. The band members have even taken turns in the diner.

"This just shows that the band cares about their fans," said Clark.

Computer users can even find an e-mail address for the White House and a World Wide Web site where one can get information about the government.

Of course, users can send messages to one another, either through school e-mail accounts or their home computers.

"E-mail may eventually replace

writing letters on paper," said Clark. "With more and more people getting into computers and more people conserving paper computers may be the answer."

It's not all fun and games on the internet. E-mail can be used to do research for homework or in the workplace.

"Instead of going to the library, you can find a lot of the information you need on the internet," said sophomore Phil Bondi.

With the rise of the internet for research use, people soon may not have to leave the house to get the information they need.

"You can get just about anything you need. It's so cool, all the stuff you can do," said Bondi.

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
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# Pep Band tunes in to OU spirit

By DIANA PLETZ  
Staff Writer

The Beatles packed the house in Hamburg, Nirvana raised the roof in Seattle, now the Pep Band rocks the gym at Oakland University.

The new student organization will be drummin' up music hits fans can recognize and sing along with at this season's basketball games.

The Pep Band hopes to arouse spirit from the crowd and give those who enjoy playing an instrument a chance to play. Anyone at any music level is welcome.

"We're not worried about having a band that sounds perfect. We just want to have fun," said Aaron VanBaak, head of the Pep Band.

"It's a good opportunity for students that don't have time to join a concert band or orchestra to get involved," said Dean of Students Dave Herman, Pep Band advisor. "Plus, without a Pep Band it was kind of embarrassing going on the road with all these teams that did have one."

The Pep Band plans to play at the first home basketball game starting the winter semester against Wayne State University, but low turnout for practices may make that difficult.

"We have a couple drummers, a few guitarists and clarinet players, but we're lacking in the brass section," said VanBaak, "The music we play depends upon how many members we have and we understand that a low turnout is not unusual at the beginning."

"We're mailing letters to people who have expressed interest in the Pep Band and we want to have T-Shirts made so that we stand out as being a group, advertising who we are," said Bonnie O'Connell, Pep Band vice president.

The Pep Band will be organized like high school bands that played for pep rallies.

"We assume that most of the members will have general knowledge of how to play an

instrument. We will use the same skill acquired at high school level. This will cut down on practice time," said VanBaak.

OU had a successful Pep Band four years ago but the chairperson, Randy Straughen, graduated and the band dwindled away. Herman said it takes a committed student leader to keep the Pep Band going and has faith in VanBaak who expressed interest in becoming more involved on campus last summer.

"I think it is good to have a Pep Band again. It shows that we do have a little more school spirit than people seem to believe," said treasurer, Becky O'Connell.

VanBaak sees the Pep Band as a major advancement for OU. "It brings us one more step closer to being an equivalent with what other four-year universities have."



PEPPY: Pep Band members Christina Meyer (left) and Lisa Belanger practice so as to prepare for upcoming events.

## What could be "Better Than Sex"?

By BOB WEAVER  
Staff Writer

He delivered a speech after he shaved his head bald when his barber trimmed too close to his scalp. He lived in Haight-Ashbury until it became "too artificially weird." He was in Vietnam in the early Seventies. The Eighties disillusioned him.

And now Dr. Hunter S. Thompson is back on the prowl with a new book, *Better Than Sex: Confessions of a Political Junkie Trapped Like A Rat in Mr. Bill's Neighborhood*.

*Better Than Sex* shows Thompson following Clinton's campaign for president. The vicious wit and sarcasm of Thompson come to the fore in his fourth book of the Gonzo Papers series and his ninth book overall to be published.

Gonzo journalism became famous during the 1972 George McGovern campaign. Thompson's body was running on adrenaline, drugs, and the sheer high of a political junkie. His writing became more and more haphazard while, at the same time, becoming more and more popular. The collection of those stories were published in one conglomeration called *Fear and Loathing: On the Campaign Trail '72*.

*Better Than Sex* continues where *Campaign Trail '72* left off. The Democrats search for a victorious candidate finally occurs in *Better Than Sex*, unlike the results in '72 when Richard M. Nixon defeated McGovern.

*Better Than Sex* shows how crass Thompson can be. He writes in the introduction that Clinton "would have played the Jew's harp stark naked on '60 Minutes' if he thought it would help get him elected."

While President Clinton did defeat

George Bush, he did not resort to such antics. But shocking quotes like these make *Better Than Sex* a real treat to read.

Thompson continues to publicly make comments on a wide range of political subjects, including the death of Nixon. Thompson wrote that Nixon is the living person he admires the most, "despite rumors of his death."

Thompson added that "Nixon was a monster with insanely wrong convictions. Clinton is a humorless punk with bad habits. Nixon was so bad that he could get innocent people into politics, but Clinton is bad in a way that will get all but the worst one out."

Thompson also wrote that "my real fear about Bill Clinton is that he might fail utterly, like Jimmy Carter" and that "Jimmy was humiliated and the Democratic party was demoralized for 10 years." All this from a man who supported Clinton on the cover of Rolling Stone.

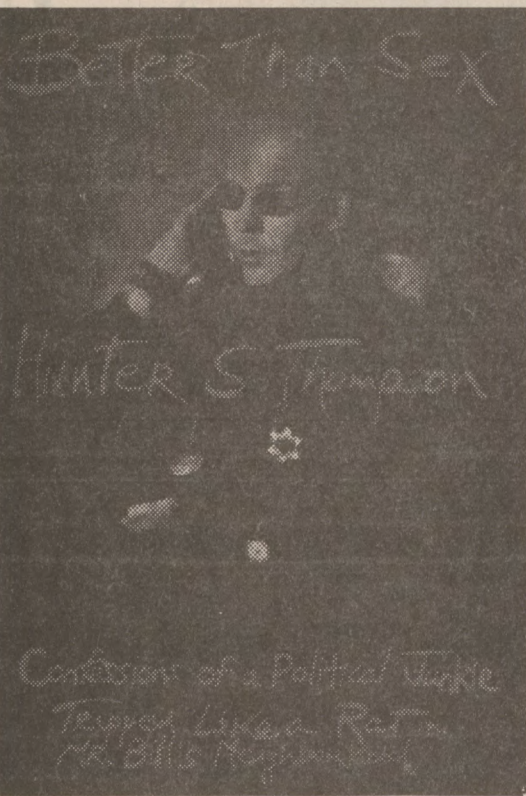
Thompson continues in *Better Than Sex* that George Bush was a sure thing for reelection in '92. "His bogus 'War in the Gulf' had made him a hero all over the world, and children wanted to kiss him." Thompson adds that Bush "walked tall and kicked ass."

*Better Than Sex* does not leave any stone unturned from the '92 campaign. Ross Perot is described as "a tiny little ferret of a man with a genius for marketing gimmicks and an eerie basic resemblance to a man they called Adolf Hitler" and that he "was the best thing that happened in American politics since Richard Nixon acquired a taste for gin." In both cases, the political dialogue of the day was enriched by spontaneous gibberish that entertained the wrong people and made the right ones question their faith.

"I did not like Bill Clinton," continues Thompson, "until the Gennifer Flowers story came out—his adversity got me interested."

Thompson relates his book to the reader through many hysterical anecdotes, illustrations, and reproductions of faxes or other written media.

*Better Than Sex* is certainly worth reading. Thompson has said that he will be "gone" by the year 2000, so we ought to savor each and every newly printed word that Dr. Gonzo puts down on paper.



### OU EVENTS

Oakland Center Operations sponsors the **Art, Book and Gift Fair** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, November 30 in the OC Crockery. Call 370-3245.

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CIPO, the Honor's College and the Environmental Studies program will show the film, **Only One Earth: Big Fish, Little Fish** at noon in Annex I, Oakland Center on December 10. Call 370-4450.

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The Department of Music, Theatre and Dance sponsors the **Meadow Brook Estate Holiday Spectacular** this weekend in Varner Recital Hall. The seasonal variety show will be performed on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and at 3 p.m. on Sunday. There will be an admission charge. Call 370-3013.

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OU's Student Program Board presents, **The Underground Coffeehouse**, featuring Joel Mabus with opening act Michelle and Michael Lane on December 3 at 8 p.m. in the Abstention, OC.

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Department of Music, Theatre and Dance presents the **Arts at Noon** series on **Tuesday, December 6**, featuring an opera workshop in the Lab Theatre and student choreography in the Dance Studio. Call 370-2030.

**CONCERTS**

The State Theatre presents **Joe**

**Jackson** on Sat., December 3 at 7 p.m. doors open at 6 p.m.

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The State Theatre hosts **Danzig** with guest **Type O Negative** at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, December 5, doors open at 6:30 p.m. General Admission.

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The Magic Bag Theatre in Ferndale holds a CD release party for **Four Hands** for their

CD, *The Color of Skies*, on Sunday, December 4 at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m., \$5 tickets. Call (810) 544-3030.

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The **Soupdragons** are coming to The Majestic on Saturday, December 3, doors open at 8 p.m. for the all ages show. Advance tickets, \$10.50

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Alvin's in Detroit welcomes **American Music Club** with Ass Ponys on Saturday, December 3. Doors open at 9 p.m., advance tickets are \$8.

**COMEDY**

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle in Royal Oak presents comedian **Carole Montgomery** from November 30 thru December 3. For ticket information call 542-9900.

**THEATRE**

Wayne State University's Bonstelle Theatre is sponsoring **Our Town** from December 2-4 and 9-11. Call 557-2960 for ticket reservations.

## CIPO This Week!

### CIPO Programs

CIPO Programs will offer a variety of programs this year which we hope the OU community will find interesting and enjoyable. The Fall schedule includes:

#### The Environmental Film Series

Every Thursday at noon in the Annex in the lower level of the Oakland Center.

December 1

Only One Earth:

Big Fish, Little Fish

#### Trip to Europe

CIPO along with the Department of Modern Languages, the Center for International Studies and the Honors College announces it has arranged a European trip open to Oakland University students, employees, alumni and their guests. The trip, coordinated by Dewald Travel, will travel to Rome and Florence, Italy and Athens, Greece. It will depart May 4, 1995, and return May 17.

The cost of the trip, based on 20 people signing up will be \$2,325. The trip will include: all transportation; daily continental breakfast and dinner; "moderate first class hotel accommodations (based on double occupancy); tours of Florence, Rome, Athens, and Delphi; and more.

You may sign up at the CIPO Service Window. A \$600 deposit will be due at sign-up. Cancellations will be accepted through January 12.

#### Para-normal Week

The week of December 5 will be dedicated to exposing OU students to five different areas of paranormal or psychic arts. These programs are intended as entertainment for enjoyment and amusement.

Monday, December 5

Parchment

Tuesday, December 6

Palm Reading

Wednesday, December 7

Crystal Ball Reading

Thursday, December 8

Tarot Card Reading

Friday, December 9

Graphologist

All Programs will take place at noon to 1:00 p.m. in front of the Student Life Office in the Oakland Center

#### The Student Life Lecture Board

The Student Life Lecture Board is please to announce that Lani Guinier will lecture at the university on January 25, 1995. Lani Guinier was nominated to be Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Civil Rights Division. The nomination caused a political firestorm as the media and critics cited selected quotations from her writings. The reaction to these selected quotations caused President Clinton to withdraw her nomination before it being considered by the Senate Justice Committee.

Find out what she would have said. What are her views?

Tickets go on sale December 5, 1994, at the CIPO Service Window.

#### CIPO Service Window

The CIPO Service Window is there to provide convenience to Oakland University Students. At the service window we have:

- one day Film Processing
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- Holiday Photo Cards
- Tickets to SPB Night at Miss Saigon thru Friday, December 2 for the January 5th performance
- European Trip
- The Meadow Brook Ball (Starting Friday, December 2.)

Stamps are no longer sold at the CIPO Service Window. The Campus Mailroom, located in the Public Safety Building is now a full service Post Office and can sell stamps as well as meet just about any other postal need you may have.

#### CIPO Services

CIPO offers a range of services designed to be helpful and useful to Oakland University Students.

- Two Copy Machines (\$.10 a copy)
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- Rochester Area Maps (\$1.25)

#### Quote of the Week

Nominations for quotation of the week are due into CIPO each Friday. Quotations should be profound, about some aspect of leadership, or about a positive outlook on life. Please include the name of the person attributed to the quotation.

#### This week's quotation is:

"I have a dream my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character"

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



# Body

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out of the OU residence halls after three years because the food service could not meet his nutritional demands.

Weighing in at a solid 225 pounds, Klaus stood on the stage in Grand Rapids Community College's Ford Fieldhouse and showed the roughly 500 people in attendance what he had worked so hard to accomplish.

As Robert Plant's song, "Tall Cool One," blared on the auditorium speakers, he hit the double biceps pose flawlessly and followed it up with a shot of his rock hard abdominal muscles.

"Posing is a physically strenuous thing and the hardest part," he said. "Some times you have to hold (a part of your body) flexed for close to one minute."

While several of his competitors shook with the intensity and strain of their posing, Klaus made it look easy. Looking cool and deliberate in his movements, he easily stood out in the field of

42.

"I'm very proud of him," said Klaus' mother, Nancy.. "I've seen how much he's done to accomplish this."

While maintaining such a strict diet, Klaus noted that he continually counted on the staunch support of his friends and family, most notably his fiance, fellow OU senior Kim Cook. The two will be married in July.

With this title added to his list of credentials, Klaus will continue to maintain his massive frame with a slightly looser diet, weight, and cardiovascular training regiment. His victory in Grand Rapids will bring him increased publicity in the regional bodybuilding circles and he will be a force to reckon with at his next competition, tentatively the Michigan State Championships in 1996.

But what was the ultimate sacrifice Klaus made in his quest to be the best? "Pizza!" he laughed. "I was craving pizza the entire time!"

# Response

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Although there have been no firm plans announced, most students feel that a DCL merger with OU can only be a positive decision.

"That's one of the reasons I came to this school from Florida," admitted sophomore Kevin Cox a Political Science major. "I read that it was a very good possibility the two schools would come together."

Students would welcome the opportunity to attend law school without having to travel downtown to go to classes.

"I'd rather come here than go to Detroit," said freshman political science major Liz Schneider who had already planned on applying to DCL upon graduating from OU.

While students are concerned mainly with convenience and practicality, OU's faculty is excited about the possible affiliation as a way of creating a more well-rounded and resourceful university.

"Personally and as chair of the political science department, I think having a law school would be not only good for the department but also for the whole university," Professor William Macauley said. "A law library on campus would also be helpful to me and my students."

Macauley added that

whether or not DCL was to integrate into the university or simply to relocate onto OU's campus, the law school's physical presence would be a great benefit and advantage to present students and alumni alike.

"Approximately half of our department's alumni are lawyers, and I think we could attract more students here as undergraduates if we could offer a law library," he said.

General consensus among students and staff is that a law school on campus would also open more options to new recruits.

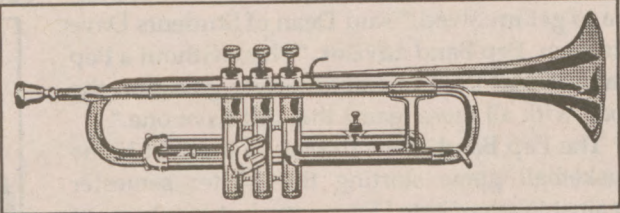
"All I heard about coming in here was about OU's nursing and physical therapy departments," freshman Scott Anderson said. "When and if DCL does come OU, it would bring a better reputation."

"I think the main attraction is simply to increase the variety of programming on campus," added Political Science Professor Thomas Casstevens.

While opinions remain positive, some students feel DCL's possible integration with OU may hurt the law school's reputation.

"I think it might take away from the law degree if DCL is affiliated with OU," senior communications major Krystal Matthews said. "Mostly because OU is not known as a law school at all."

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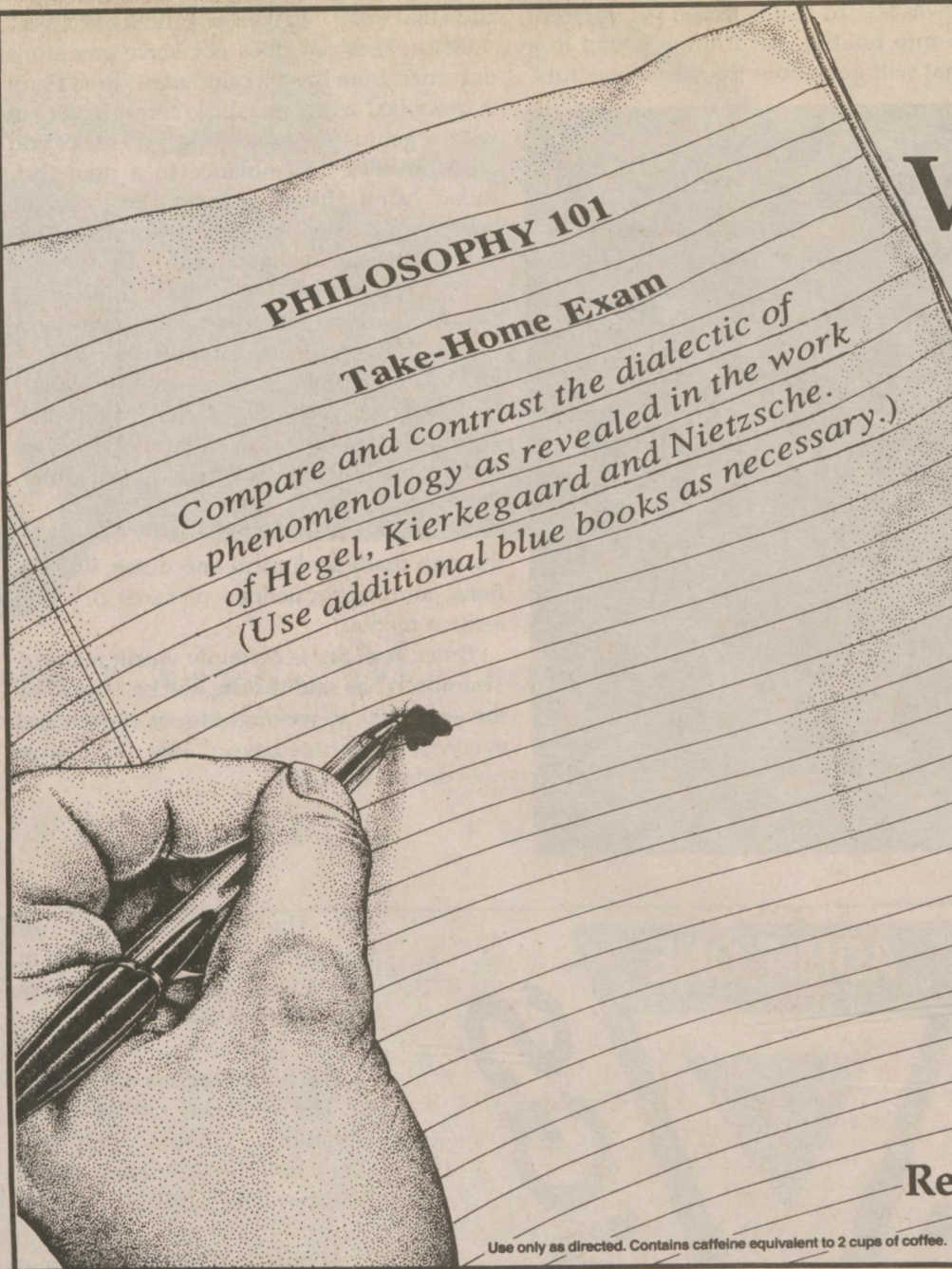
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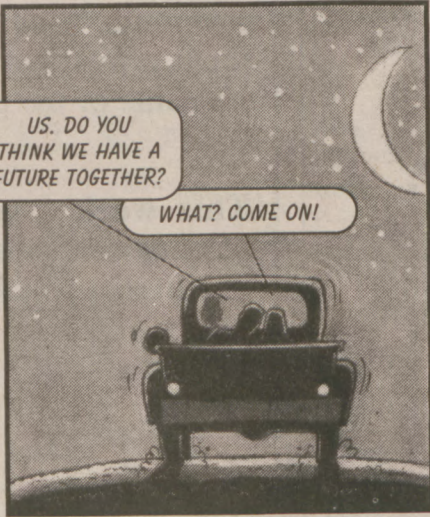
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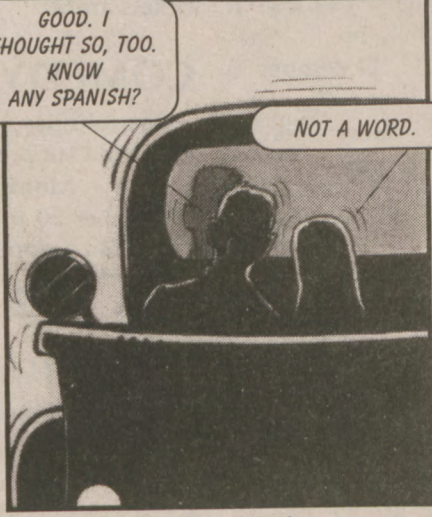
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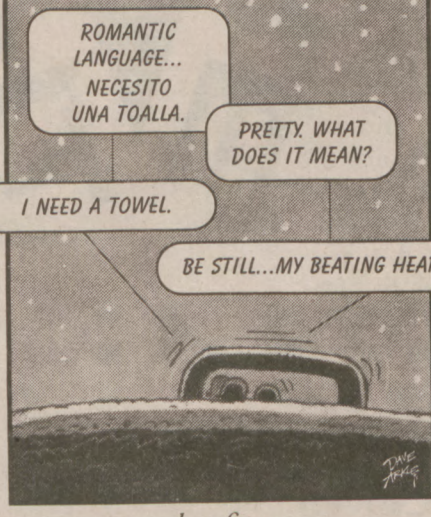
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# Sports

## Pioneer of the Week

**Tom Marowelli**  
6-5 Junior  
Forward  
Men's Basketball

Marowelli averaged 26.3 points per game in helping OU to two wins in three games last week. He shot 63 percent from the field, 64 percent from the three-point line and 100 percent from the charity stripe. Marowelli also scored 39 points against Gannon, a record in the Gary Miller Classic and the most points by an Oakland player since Eric Taylor scored 42 against Michigan Tech on February 22, 1990.

## Pioneer Dirt Box

### Men's Soccer

•The Pioneers are heading for Tampa, Florida for the NCAA Division II Soccer Championships final four. Oakland, 17-1-2 is rated eighth nationally, will play defending national champion Seattle Pacific University. The Pioneers won the Central Region with a 2-0 victory at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside on Nov. 19. The Falcons, 15-4-3 and ranked fifth, won the West Region by defeating California State-Bakersfield in a shootout, 3-1, after the two teams played to a 2-2 overtime tie. The other semi-final will match host University of Tampa, 14-2 and rated sixth, against Southern Connecticut State, 17-0-3 and ranked number one. Tampa won the South with a 3-0 victory over the University of South Carolina-Spartanburg, while SCSU won the Northeast Region with a 3-1 win over Franklin Pierce College. This is OU's ninth straight trip to the NCAA II Tournament and 12th in the last 13 seasons. It is unbeaten in 13 straight matches (11-0-2), tying the school record set in 1973. OU's 17 wins are one shy of the school mark set in 1983 and equalled in 1992. Both of those Pioneer teams also advanced to the semi-finals.

## This Week in Pioneer Sports

**Thu., Dec. 1,** - NCAA II Men's Soccer Championships final four round in Tampa, Fla. **OAKLAND** vs. Seattle Pacific, 5 p.m. University of Tampa vs. Southern Connecticut State, at Pepin-Rood Stadium, 7:30 p.m.  
**Fri., Dec. 2,** - Men and Women's Swimming at Eastern Michigan Invitational.  
**Sat., Dec. 3,** - Men and Women's Swimming at Eastern Michigan Invitational.  
- Women's Basketball vs. Bel-larmine College, 3 p.m.  
- NCAA II Men's Soccer national championship game, **OAKLAND** ? vs. Tampa or Southern Connecticut, 7:30 p.m.  
**Wed., Dec. 7** - Women's Basketball vs. Madonna, 7 p.m.  
**Thu., Dec. 8** - Men's Basketball at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 7:30 p.m.  
**Sat., Dec. 10** - Men's Basketball vs. Saginaw Valley State, 1 p.m.  
- Women's Basketball vs. Saginaw Valley State, 3 p.m.

Information compiled by Andy Glantzman, Sports Information Director

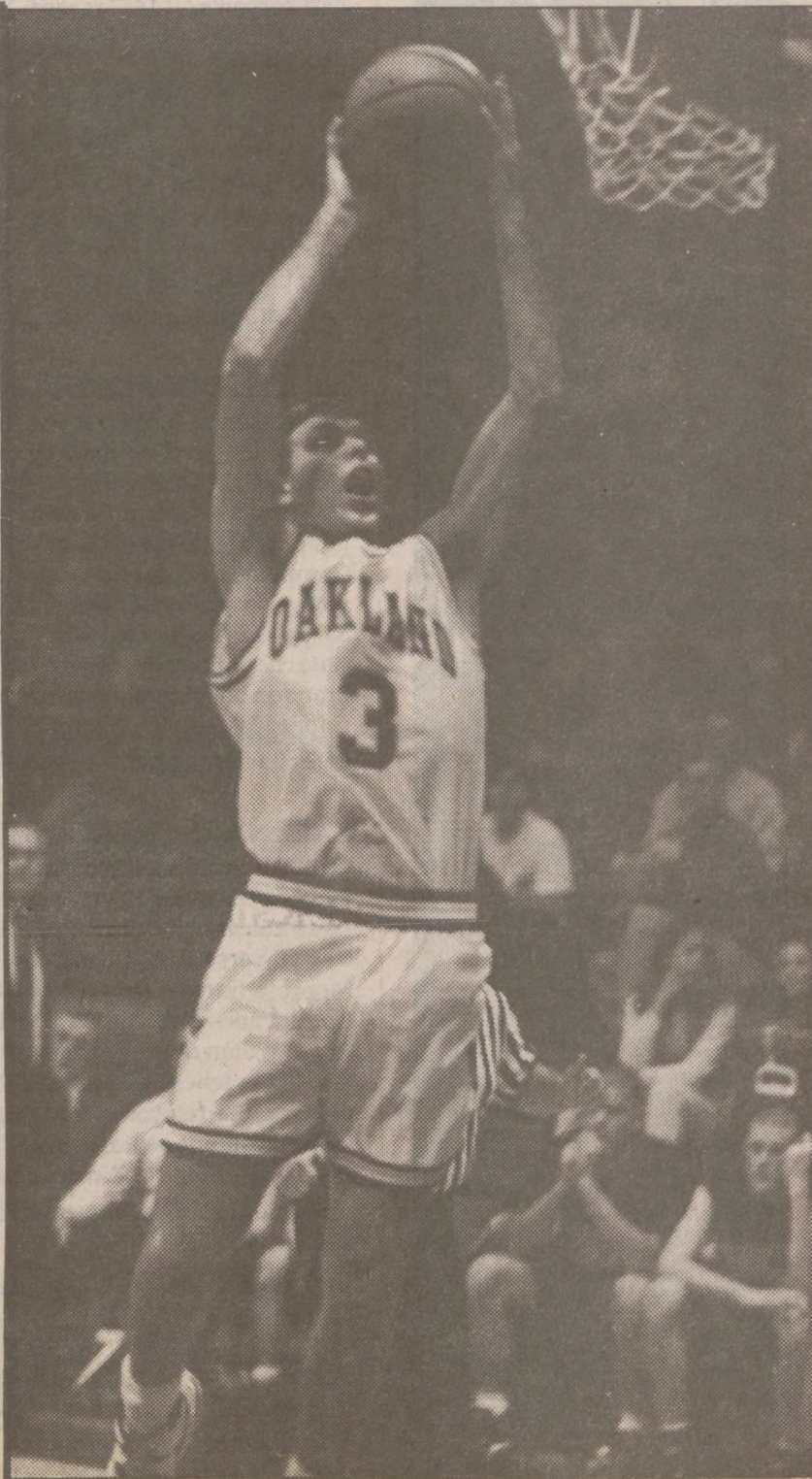


Photo by Bob Knoeka

Junior forward Tom Marowelli scored 39 against Gannon.

## Lakers trip cagers, 85-75

By KEN FILLMORE  
Assistant Sports Editor

The women's basketball team's long-range shooting stood out in the beginning of its long, grueling season with wins in the Tip-Off Classic at Lepley over Laurentian College, 83-57, on Nov. 18 and the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 99-45, Nov. 19.

OU's might was tested, though, on Thanksgiving weekend at the Grand Rapids Press Tournament in Grand Rapids, Mich. It escaped with a 76-72 triumph Friday over Calvin College, but lost in the Red Division championship game Saturday to GLIAC rival Lake Superior State University, 85-75. In the Pioneers' final exhibition tilt, it outscored the Voyageurs 31-11 in the final 10:50 of the first half to look ahead to the regular season as the starting five of senior forward Kelli Krajniak, sophomore forward Cyndi Platter, junior center Heather Bateman, junior guard Deanna Richard, and freshman guard Ulrika Nilsson seen the bulk of the action.

Krajniak led the way with 16 points and five rebounds. Forward Dianne Norman had 23 points, eight boards, and four steals in a losing cause for Laurentian.

OU opened the regular season with a three-point shooting showcase that left the Wolves crying, making 18 of 40 from beyond the arc.

All 15 of freshman guard Jamie Pewinski's shots from the field were triple tries. She made eight of them, and finished with 25 points to go along with six assists and three steals.

Nilsson added 16 points, including four treys, six dishes, and three steals.

Forward Monica Patton and



Photo by Bob Knoeka

Junior guard Deanna Richard looks for a teammate in the paint in action against the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

center Heather Towery each had 10 points for UMD.

Bateman, who had 24 points, 17 boards, and nine steals in the two games, was the Tip-Off Classic Most Valuable Player. Pewinski and Krajniak were selected to the All-Tournament Team.

In Grand Rapids, OU started slowly against Calvin as Bateman was in early foul trouble, and found itself down, 32-31, at halftime. CC outscored the Pioneers, 13-3, in the final 4:17 of the first half to grasp the advantage.

However, OU went on a 22-6 run in 6:05 before the midway mark in the second half to break a 38-38 deadlock and distance itself from CC.

Past the halfway point, CC scored nine unanswered points in 3:43 to narrow the gap at 66-59.

Guard Cara Mulder was the main reason CC hung around. She had 36 points, was 11 for 15 from the field, including six for six from three-point range, and 8 for 11 from the free throw line. She scored 19 of Calvin's last 21 points.

Oakland stretched its lead to 76-65 in the final minute, but CC

tallied the final seven points before time ran out its run.

"I think we rushed our offense a little bit," head coach Bob Taylor said. "But, what doesn't destroy you will make you stronger."

Richard had 23 points, including five triples, and seven rebounds. Krajniak had 18 points, eight assists, six boards, and five thefts.

Against the experienced conference favorite from Sault Ste. Marie, a bad omen hung over the young Pioneers as the Lakers scored the first seven points of the contest. LSSU carried a 39-34 halftime edge.

The difference was at the charity stripe. LSSU was 28 for 33 in free-throw opportunities, while OU was only two for eight.

"They (LSSU) shot a lot of free throws," Taylor said.

OU could get no closer than six in the second half, and Lake State made 11 of 12 free throws in the final 4:04 to ice the win and continue to gain the respect of its rivals.

Richard had 14 points and seven rebounds for Oakland (2-1).

## Madonna is molested Marowelli named player of the week

BY JEFF AISTHORPE  
Staff Writer

Two blowouts and a game.

Oakland men's basketball team opened its season with back-to-back stomps of Madonna on Tuesday and Missouri-Rolla on Friday, before falling to Gannon University (Pa.) in the finals of the Gary Miller Classic in Erie, Pa. Saturday evening.

After dismissing Madonna, a team it scored 189 points against a year ago, by a 107-65, score the Pioneers enjoyed its holiday dinner at the President Packard's house before heading to the Hammermill Center for the Thanksgiving tournament.

In the opening round of the four team tourney, OU found it had a game on its hands as it was up only 11, 41-29 at the half.

Oakland then used a 21-8 run keyed by two layups from sophomore Kevin Kovach and a pair of threes from junior Matt Stuck to put the game out of reach.

The final score of 107-74 did not reflect a lack of talent on Missouri-Rolla's part. "They're a pretty good team," Coach Greg Kampe said.

About the only thing OU didn't do well in the victory was turn the ball over 18 times, but when you consider they shot 57 percent from three (16-28), 49 percent from the field, and its fast-paced offense, which is sometimes conducive to turnovers, that isn't very discouraging.

Stuck led the way with a double-double, scoring 21 and hauling in 12 rebounds, with new transfers junior Tom Marowelli (18 points, three steals) and sophomore Frank Zielinski (20 points, seven boards) proving their worth as off-season acquisitions.

The championship game the following night gave the Pioneers a surprise and a scare.

The surprise, a 39-point explosion from Marowelli on the strength of six of 10 shooting from three and 11 for 11 from the free throw line.

The scare, Stuck woke up and could barely move the morning before the second game. The forward appeared to be well on his way back from a lower back injury until it acted up again.

"We'll make a decision after the Saginaw Valley game whether to redshirt him or not," Kampe said referring to the NCAA rule that lets a player participate in up to six games before he loses a season of eligibility.

Gannon capitalized on a slow start by the Pioneers, a color, and a precious metal to win 99-90.

Gannon used a 37-16 first half lead, after which Oakland outscored them 74-62, and 26 points a piece from Jarming White and Bronze Simpson to do in the visiting Pioneers.

"They got beat in the same round of the NCAA tournament as we did and they returned four starters," Kampe said.

Aside from Marowelli's stellar performance, junior forward Jason Burkholder contributed 17 points on seven of 11 shooting. The rest of the team combined for a dismal 12-38 shooting.

"We're not ready at this stage of the season to beat a team like that in there," Kampe said of Gannon and its raucous home crowd of 2,300 plus.

In its first week, Oakland saw excellent play from two new starters (Zielinski and Marowelli), increased minutes for younger players, and ability to compete with tough teams away from home.

Of the week Kampe said, "We're pretty happy with the way it went."

He should be.

•The Pioneers next home action will be against Saginaw Valley State University on Saturday, December 10. For a preview of the men, please see story on page 10.

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Greg Kampe  
Men's coach

## Pioneers move on in NCAA II tourney

By KEN FILLMORE  
Assistant Sports Editor

KENOSHA, Wis. - The trend was too similar.

The men's soccer team wins the opening round match in the NCAA Division II Tournament only to have its journey rerouted the following week on the road by the top seed in the Central Region.

The Pioneers defeated the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, 2-0, in the Central Region final at Wood Road Soccer Field on Nov. 19 to advance to the national

semifinals against Seattle Pacific University tomorrow at 5 p.m. in Tampa, Fla.

UWP (15-2-2), making its first trip to the NCAA Tournament, took advantage of OU's tenativeness as the Rangers pushed deep into Pioneer territory for most of the contest.

Tal made four saves, including a big leaping stop to deflect junior defender Michael Kennedy's shot early in the first half from just inside the penalty area, to earn his ninth shutout of the season.

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## Lepley cracks down on crime problem

By ERIC DeMINK  
Sports Editor

Theft of money, clothing and equipment at Lepley is in a permanent slump, at least that's the hope of Acting Athletic Director Greg Kampe.

In response to problems that the building has had in the past, Kampe has taken it upon himself to make things a little more difficult for would-be perpetrators at the Center.

To help curb potential problems, Kampe said the department has beefed up personnel. He said he requested more students from work study to man checkpoints in the lower level of Lepley to turn away unwanted visitors.

"We've got two people at checkpoints down there in case one has to leave for whatever reason," he said. "We're trying to create a safe, clean area for students to recreate. This was done because the students paid for it to be done."

Kampe said also that the university acted on his query to have security alarms installed. In mid-September, 14 of these devices were installed on entrances to the pool and the gym at a cost of ap-

proximately \$3,000 according to Lt. Mel Gilroy of the Oakland University Department of Public Safety and Police.

The alarms were installed to prevent anyone from entering the building illegally. Kampe said that individuals had been getting in routinely through fire exits and he believes that's where much of the theft problem emanated.

"I believe that a lot of the locker room thefts were done by people who knew what they were doing, Kampesaid. "I mean a couple years ago I had \$350 stolen out of my locker, and it was locked."

From September 1991-April 1992, there were three larcenies involving shoes, clothes and money stolen reported to the Public Safety department. However, no arrests were ever made, according to Gilroy.

The last reported offense occurred in August of '93 during the Gus Macker when a small amount of cash was stolen out of an upstairs office.

Other than that, there really hasn't been anything substantial.

"It's really difficult for us sometimes to be on top of everything

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# Kampe likes life in the fast lane

By JEFF AISTHORPE  
Staff Writer

Just win baby. Commitment to excellence. Shock the world. Just shoot it?

Yup, the 1994 edition of Oakland men's basketball team will maintain the "run and gun" offense that brought it its first ever NCAA Division II tournament bid and 21 wins a season ago.

Coach Greg Kampe's Pioneers have established that winning tradition-eight straight winning seasons.

Last season, OU adopted the offense popularized by Paul Westhead at Loyola Marymount and it proved to be a natural fit. It broke 28 school records including: points scored, 189 against Madonna, longest win streak, nine, and victories, 21.

The dream season ended with a 99-97 loss to Wayne State in the second round of the tournament. With the end of the season came the end of four careers, Tom Eller Ty McGregor, Ken Crum, and Jeff Plank.

Gone are four of the top six scorers and with them, half the points and rebounds.

"Over the last eight years we have lost a lot of good players to graduation," Kampe said. "If we recruit properly we should never have a down year."

We may have years that aren't as good as others, but you should never have a down year just because you lost some players if you are doing your job as a coaching staff and the young players are working hard and improving."

## The Oakland Post Sportswriting staff picks....

- 1- Ferris State
- 2- Northern Michigan
- 3- Hillsdale
- 4- Lake Superior
- 5- Oakland
- 6- Saginaw Valley
- 7- Michigan Tech
- 8- Wayne State
- 9- Grand Valley State
- 10- Northwood

more time at the point where his passing ability and ball-handling will catalyze the open offense of the Pioneers.

Borcherdt is in his third year with the team. He is a pure shooter that could find himself at the shooting guard or small forward spot. Look for his scoring (6.9), rebounding (2.2), and minutes (45.1) to double.

The recruiting class of '92 is essentially the core of the Pioneers. Juniors Andy Brodi, Jason Burkholder, Matt Stuck, and redshirt sophomores Dan Buza and Craig Frohock.

Stuck, who just came back from a lower back injury, is a 6-5, 215-pound forward and another Academic All-GLIAC choice. He is much more than an inside banger as his size suggests. He is the premier three-point shooter in the conference making good on 43 percent of his shots and hitting at least one in 27 straight games. He is the Pioneers leading returnee in points and rebounds per game with 12.7 and 5.8, respectively. "You can't come up with a better kid," Kampe said.

Burkholder, a center, didn't surprise many with his dramatically increased production last season. What surprised many was his ability to step outside, like every other player on the team, and knock down the three with accuracy (39 percent).

Brodi, a guard, has seen his playing time fluctuate like modern interest rates since his freshman season. He started seven games that season and three last year despite averaging only 24.0 minutes in those seasons. Look for him to emerge this season and begin to see more minutes in the Pioneer backcourt.

The 6-7 Frohock and the 6-5 Buza are both exceptional athletic forwards that will see an increase in their playing time and shots.

Sophomore guards Kevin Kovach and Harold Baber played in all 27 games as freshmen.

The 5-10 Baber is a point guard that uses his cat-like quickness to disrupt opposing teams' offenses and to penetrate and create offense for the Pioneers.

Although Kovach saw limited playing time last season, he gave a promising glimpse of the future. Despite scoring only 12.2 points

over the summer.

"Not only was there the big question of liability," Kampe said, "but they had no business being in there. And I said to myself, 'My God, I've got to do something about this.'"

Since assuming his duties in June, no thefts or illegal entry violations have been reported.

"Before when there were problems, they were usually dropped in our laps for us to do something with," Gilroy said, "But Kampe has been very proactive in his approach, asking the question, 'What can we do?'"

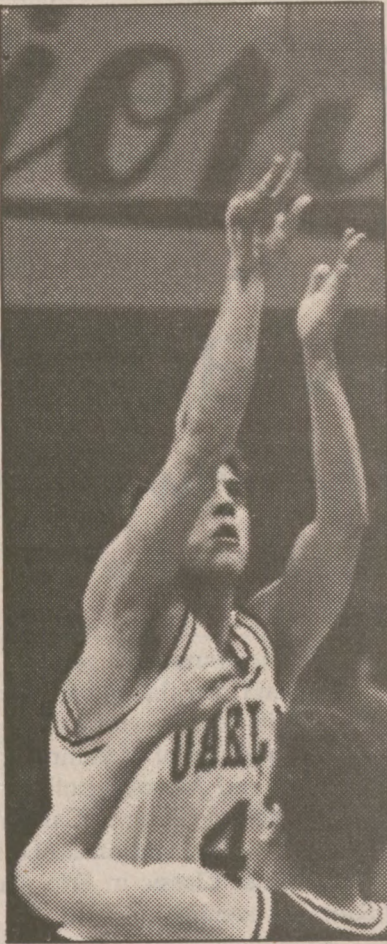
"Our approach to this matter since we don't have the resources

Pioneers' penalty kick specialist. As senior goalkeeper Chris Sagar came out toward him and dived to Gentile's left, Gentile went to his right for his fifth goal of the season, his fourth in as many penalty kick attempts.

"Usually, I like to go to the left. But, in games like that, you go with your bread and butter, and I was hitting them all to my right (throughout the game)," Gentile said.

Despite being down a goal, Parkside remained poised and continued its pressure in the second half.

"I give Parkside credit. I thought they played hard. What we tried to do tactically we did not



last season, he showed flashes of his overall ability and outstanding jumpshot. He can flat-out shoot as evidenced by a 51 point game in high school and 45 percent shooting from three-point land.

Kampe recognized the need for height in recruiting. Junior Tom Marowelli (6-5), a transfer swingman from Lansing Community College, and sophomore center Frank Zielinski (6-7), via Indiana State and Ohio University, will give OU needed size inside. "Tom and Frank are both very good players, they're going help us out this year," Kampe said.

"The major difference between this team and any other team I have had at Oakland may be numbers in the paint," Kampe said. "We have three players who can guard the post and I can put in two players at the same time who can score inside, and I don't think I have ever had that luxury."

When we pass the ball and move it great things happen."

The Pioneers also have added a walk-on to their roster. 6-4 Dave Doubilis out of Charlevoix rounds out the roster. There are 13 players on the roster and Kampe said he would probably go nine or 10 deep.

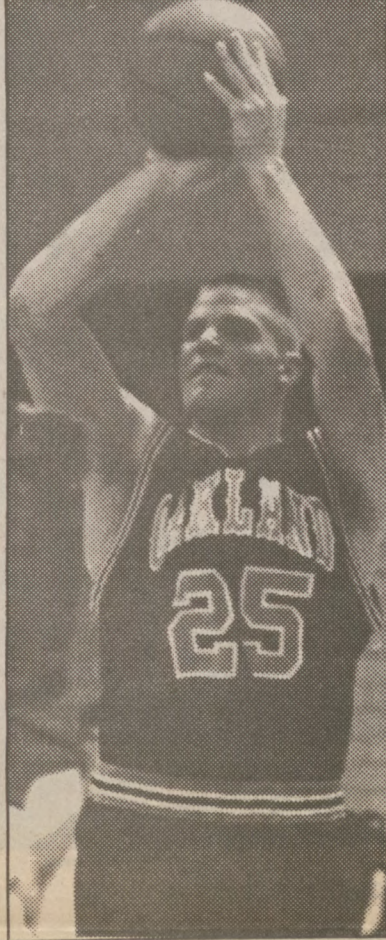
Despite Oakland's prolific offense and potential, it was picked fifth in the GLIAC pre-season coaches poll. It has not finished that low since the '85-'86 season.

"We lost a lot in ability and character, but we also have a lot of talent back."

What the Pioneers have is eight players who have shown consistent ability to bury shots from beyond 19-9 to fit into its rapid-fire offense.

"Do we have enough basketballs to play with? We do have a lot of tremendously talented offensive players," Kampe said.

Kampe is confident in his offense, "I think we will really be



Photos by Bob Knoeka

Coach Greg Kampe is looking for senior guard Bryan Borcherdt (top left), junior forward Jason Burkholder and junior forward Matt Stuck (above) to provide the offensive punch that could bring the Pioneers a GLIAC title in the 1994-95 season.

able to rebound well, and I know we can shoot it. This may be the best shooting team I have ever coached."

A new era begins this season and if you call yourself a college basketball fan, the Pioneers and its quest for their first GLIAC championship and another tournament bid, should be nothing short of 19-9, er, I mean, exhilarating.

But most property crimes rarely get to the highest level.

"I don't want to say that there is any set reprimand for each individual case," Schmitz said. "What we look at is the intent of the offense, whether it was premeditated or impulsive, and we base our determinations on that."



Mel Gilroy

the year at 72:01. Senior forward Mali Walton drew the assist.

"We played 70 (expletive) minutes of soccer. They (UWP) were pressuring us the whole time in our half. They were unlucky. We were unlucky a lot of times, and that's just the way the ball bounces," Walton said. "I'm not going to say they should've won because they didn't."

"We've done it 45 (minutes), we've done it 70, we're just going to have to do it 90. Now, I think, it's going to be 90, it has to be 90, or its over."

OU extended its unbeaten streak to 13 games, matching the longest in school history by the 1973 Pioneer squad.

# GLIAC Preview

Presented in order of the GLIAC preseason coaches poll.  
-compiled by Staff Writer Jeff Aisthorpe

## FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

Last season's GLIAC record: 12-6, overall: 14-13.  
GLIAC finish - Tied for second, lost in first round of GLIAC tournament.  
Head coach - Tom Ludwig (231-130)  
Key players - 6-5 senior forward Dannie Hayes (21.4 ppg, 5.6 rpg), and 6-5 senior guard Rafael Peterson (18.3 ppg, 6.6 rpg)  
Comments - FSU has the most lethal 1-2 punch in the league with All-American candidate Hayes and Peterson. Both are inside/outside players who can take over games. Peterson, though, won't start playing until January. This could hurt Ferris if it has to rely on an at-large bid to qualify for the NCAA tournament.

## NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Last season's GLIAC record: 12-6, overall: 20-12.  
GLIAC finish - Tied for second, lost GLIAC tournament final.  
Head coach - Dean Ellis (122-99)  
Key players - Senior forward Matt Wonders (14.6 ppg, 5.7 rpg), junior center Mike Gibala (11.3 ppg, 5.6 rpg).  
Comments - Some odd facts about NMU: (1) The Wildcats are not young but have only one senior (eight juniors). (2) 6-7 sophomore Saron Lincoln teamed with Jamal Mashburn to win a New York state championship. But the most amazing fact is that junior guard Brandon Sager is playing basketball after shattering his forearm prior to last season. Home court advantage? The Wildcats have an .880 winning percentage at home in the '90's.

## SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Last season's GLIAC record: 10-8, overall: 14-12.  
GLIAC finish - Fifth  
Head coach - Dr. Robert Pratt (342-263)  
Key players - Guard Daniel West (5.7 apg), forward David Moore, a transfer from Cleveland State.  
Comments - Although Pratt admits his team is deeper and tougher than the one that finished fifth a year ago, he also feels that the coaches poll pick of fifth was "too high." West, the only regular returning from a team decimated by graduation (SVSU lost nine seniors), will have to blend with seven new transfers for the Cardinals to finish that high. "We're a year away from being pretty good," Pratt said.

## WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

Last season's GLIAC record: 14-4, overall: 25-5.  
GLIAC finish - First, Lost in NCAA Great Lakes Regional final.  
Head coach - Ron Hammye (101-75)  
Key players - Senior guard Terrance Walker (6.6 ppg, 6.6 apg), and senior Irvin Marchand (8.4 ppg, 6.0 rpg).  
Comments - Hammye was stunned to find out his team was picked 12th in the nation by the Division II Bulletin, "I can't figure it out," he said. Look for the Tartars to adopt a three point guard-oriented offense as they have their smallest team in years. You're not going to find any of our players inside," Hammye said.

## LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY

Last season's GLIAC record: 8-10, overall: 11-15.  
GLIAC finish - Sixth  
Head coach - Terry Smith (33-44)  
Key players - Junior center Eric Menk (18.2 ppg, 6.2 rpg), junior guard Don Carlson (10.9 ppg).  
Comments - The Lakers return All-GLIAC second teamer Menk and Freshman of the Year Chris Gordon. The lone senior on the squad, guard Cameron McNary, will have to provide leadership for the young Lakers. Height, depth, and quickness at the guard are three strengths LSSU must maximize to improve.

## HILLSDALE COLLEGE

Last season's GLIAC record: 7-11, overall: 10-15.  
GLIAC finish - Seventh  
Head coach - Bernie Balikian (50-58)  
Key players - Guards Mike Lake (14.6 ppg), and Jeff Edgecombe (11.6 ppg).  
Comments - The Chargers missed qualifying for last season's GLIAC tourney by nine points. Hillsdale has one home game in December and the toughest non-conference schedule in the GLIAC. Its veteran backcourt will struggle as its young forwards develop. HC's schedule will make them or break 'em.

## MICHIGAN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

Last season's GLIAC record: 6-12, overall: 11-15.  
GLIAC finish - Tied for eighth  
Head coach - Kevin Luke (0-0)  
Key players - Senior forward Matt Trombley (22.9 ppg, 6.6 rpg), senior guard John Barnes (8.8 ppg, 43% from three pt. range).  
Comments - New coach Kevin Luke hopes to turn the program around. Trombley was lost in mid-season a year ago. Its record with him, 7-5, without him, 4-10. Sophomore center Mike Kissman is also coming back from a dislocated kneecap that cut his season short.

## GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Last season's GLIAC record: 6-12, overall: 11-15.  
GLIAC finish - Last  
Head coach - Tom Villemure (381-221)  
Key players - Senior guard Kevin Kooiker (14.7 ppg), and junior forward Nate Verbeek (16.4 ppg, 6.2 rpg).  
Comments - The Lakers return four starters that lost its last 11 a year ago. Shaq of the GLIAC? 6-10, 285 pound senior center Glenn Szeman returns after sitting last year. "If he had an athletes mentality he'd be the best player in the GLIAC," Villemure said.

## NORTHWOOD UNIVERSITY

Last season's GLIAC record: 6-12, overall: 11-15.  
GLIAC finish - Tied for eighth  
Head coach - Dean Lockwood (28-57)  
Key players - Senior center Steve Ryan (13.3 ppg, 9.5 rpg) and senior forward Jeff Edwards (10.6 ppg).  
Comments - A five game improvement has Lockwood looking up, "I think we're improved in many regards," he said. NU added several transfers; one from Division I (6-2 guard Alan Rainge) and one from The Netherlands (Robert VandenBroek) who should have an impact. "We're in a growth stage," Lockwood said.

# Theft

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because we have a limited staff," Gilroy said. "It's not like we can have an officer stationed over in the locker room because then we would only have one or two other people to patrol campus."

Even more so than theft did illegal entry appear to be a larger part of the crime problem-perhaps even the source. The final straw for Kampe was when he observed a high school student instructing a faculty member's son in the pool

# Trend

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The Rangers could not pounce on loose balls in front of the OU goal and get any shots away even though it outshot OU, 11-7.

"If soccer was a possession game, we would have won," UWP head coach Rick Kilps said. "But, most importantly, we didn't finish."

Oakland (17-1-2) caught a break at 24:49 when sophomore forward Ben Cesa was fouled in the penalty area, setting the stage for senior midfielder John Gentile, the



## Aid

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beginning of May (it may change each year and has not yet been established for this year.) After that, students run the risk of not being considered for the maximum amount of money entitled to them.

Students submitting Stafford or Parent PLUS Loan applications should have everything in by the end of the winter semester for the following fall semester.

One of the most common problems the Financial Aid Office encounters is students who are awarded a specific amount for a full-time course load and then register for under 12 credits. Then they become upset when they don't receive the full amount, said Siudym.

"Thirty-five percent of the time, award amounts change according to the number of credit hours, so when a student drops classes or doesn't register full-time as expected, he/she needs to notify the Financial Aid Office (preferably in writing) and realize that changes might affect their aid," said Anderson.

Students listening to other students about financial aid advice is also a problem.

"Each student is unique, and this perpetuates inaccuracies," said Siudym. "I can understand their frustration (but) I wish students would realize we're here to help... sometimes there are things

students need to do, too."

"They really have a poor system... They need to start making changes first in order for students to cooperate," said Kimberly Jensen, a senior General Studies major.

The Financial Aid Office made some improvements in May 1994. They have extended phone service hours from two hours per day to all day.

"The line is always busy when you try to call," complained Amy Vance, nursing sophomore.

"The slowest and best times to call are early morning and late afternoon and at the end of the week," said Siudym.

Peak times are daily between 10a.m. and 2p.m., at the beginning and end of the semester as well as during registration.

Siudym suggests that students skip the round-about questions and get straight to the point in order to save time.

Financial Aid has also stopped walk-in advising. Now students make appointments with their own personal advisor. This way students develop a rapport with their advisors who are also available at the service windows during peak times.

"We're really trying to service people better," said Siudym.

The Financial Aid Office is open from 8a.m.-5p.m., Monday through Friday. They also handle veteran aid, need-based student employment, along with various grants and scholarships.

## Graffiti

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ment by the Oakland Center.

Most students and administrators feel that hate messages, while regrettable, reflect the ideologies of only a small minority. Education, they maintain is the key that will unlock the door to a greater understanding of cultural differences and cultural commonalities.

"I think the curriculum can have a very forceful impact on the way people think and act," Mary Beth Snyder, Vice President of Student Affairs said.

Snyder also said that in situations where racism and homophobia were due to ignorance, "we would want to educate people. That's what an educational institution is all about." She said that she hopes to create discussion forums on the issues, "very soon."

This academic year, OU added to its curricula an ethnic diversity general education requirement. Freshmen who began their studies at OU in the fall 1994 semester are required to take one of several courses offered, ranging from the Politics of Race and Ethnicity to Cultural Diversity in the Workplace, American Art, Introduction to Film, Consumer Behavior and Health Care Dimensions.

Snyder also stressed that OU has created designated graffiti areas where students can utilize their right to free speech with chalk.

"There is an area where people can express their ideas—no matter how reprehensible, and we will leave that there," she said. Nevertheless, she added that with free speech, "there comes a heavy responsibility not to harass," and all hateful or vio-

lent messages will be washed away immediately.

Creating an office of homosexual and bisexual equity similar to the office of minority equity is an idea that has been proposed by some on campus. Snyder said, "creating an office isn't always the right fix."

Snyder did say, however, that there is a similar office at Iowa State University where she was Dean of Students before she came to OU, and added that she would address any concerns raised by gay and lesbian students as well as other minorities.

"We don't create resolutions without a lot of student involvement," Snyder said.

Communication professor and GALA advisor Shea Howell said that hate graffiti always comes from a minority of people. Nevertheless, she added that the messages left against GALA approximately three weeks ago may reflect the attitudes of many others, who have chosen to remain silent.

"I think public expression should be fun, playful, colorful—what it shouldn't be is hateful," Howell said. "Speech carries with it moral choice and ethical responsibilities. We are in a university where some students feel it is their right to say anything at all regardless of the social consequence."

To combat anti-gay speech and conduct, Howell said that OU must first recognize the rights of gays, lesbians and bisexuals by inserting a clause prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation within its Equal Opportunity statement.

Omar Brown, president of the Association of Black Students, said that racist graffiti is, to him, a symbol of ignorance, ignorance of self and ignorance of the truth about stereotypes.

"It shows me that the graffiti artists ... They're expressing a lack of their own self identity," Brown said. "It just makes me stronger."

Brown said that a barrier exists between the races, but he believes that the wall can be broken down through "proper, truthful education."

"You weren't born a racist—that's something that's learned. There is a difference (between cultures)—but that doesn't mean that we don't respect one another," Brown said. "Racism is a mental sickness which one must get over. If not properly educated, it will continue."

ABS member Marcus McDaniel said that students of different cultural backgrounds sometimes tend to separate themselves on campus, but he said that it is not out of fear of hostility, it is because one will instinctively place himself of herself in "familiar" surroundings.

"You're going to sit with who you know," he said.

President of Hillel (OU's Jewish student organization) David Smith said that prejudice toward the Jewish culture exists at OU as well.

Jewish students, however, he said have their own way of approaching the problem.

Smith said that he, "looks Jewish" and what angers him is that people frequently question him about his ethnicity and religion.

"It bothers me when people say ... So are you Jewish?" he said. "They don't see me as a fellow human being. They see me as another type of being."

"If people would look at themselves and say, I like who I am and I like what I represent, then they won't have to go around putting other people down," Smith said.

## Award

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ing minority students for available internships. She is currently living in Lansing.

Professor Robert Fink of the Health Center who sponsors the award, named it after his father, a community leader in a racially mixed neighborhood of Buffalo, NY. Sydney Fink was responsible for starting a variety of youth programs, a consulting program to train blacks for careers in business, and a free training program to improve community relations in the black/white district where he

lived in the racially turbulent mid-1960's.

Fink said the award is "designed to recognize students who contribute to the improvement of race relations and understanding here at OU. The award is my way of taking my father's work and what he stood for and supporting it (today)."

The number of recipients each year varies. In the award's 10 year history there have been 28 winners. The award is open to anyone and the winners have varied from high profile students such as athletes or Congress presidents, to lesser known students. The important qualification is that the student have a real impact on campus race relations.

"The award is a way of saying 'we noticed what you did, we appreciated it, and keep it up'," said Fink.

The award itself requires a nomination, and the prize is \$100 and a certificate.

In the past, some students have suggested that ethnic and religious organizations on campus add to separation of groups, Winter disagrees.

"If there is only one group in control, that group is not going to be open to the different ideas of diverse groups, and although we're heading in the right direction, race relations on campus still need improvement. (There tends to be) too much black and white, and they tend to separate themselves from each other."

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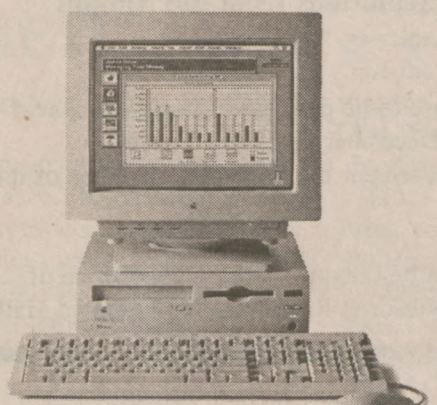
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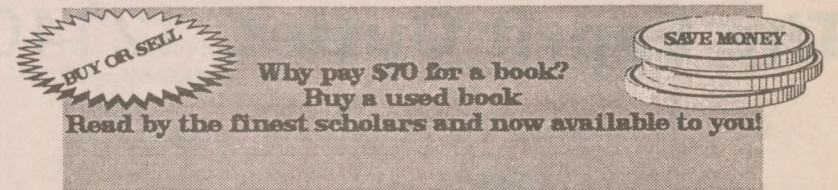
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