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Oakland Center's Gold Rooms to ask President Ora Hirsch Pescovitz questions. Topics circled around cost of tuition, administration and advice. Read the write-up on page four. ELYSE GREGORY // The Oakland Post

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GRIZZ HACKS

Students from several states spend a day turning their ideas into reality. Photo / Nicole Morsfield



SLUT WALK RETURNS

The OU Feminists organized its second slut walk for feminists to strut across campus. Photo / Mary Mitchell



FRESHMAN Q&A

Social Media Editor Simon Albaugh gets roasted by freshmen.

Illustration / AuJenee Hirsch

POLL OF THE WEEK

If Trump is impeached, who should replace him?

- A Xenu, lord of Tom Cruise
- B The internet
- c Gay Pence (Google it)
- D Greg Kampe

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LAST WEEK'S POLL

How do you feel about all of the hot weather we've been having?

- A) I love it, bring on the heat!
- 9 votes | 21%
- B) I want it as cold as my soul
- 8 votes | 19%
- C) But I bought sweaters...
- 1 votes | 26%
- D) CLIMATE CHANGE IS REAL
- 14 votes | 34%

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

October 6, 1961

The Oakland Observer, the student paper, became a weekly paper. It's office was in 363 South Foundation Hall.

October 2, 1985

Cocaine was found on campus, The Oakland Post ran a full story on the third page of the then-broadsheet issue.

October 7, 1992

An Oakland University student's car caught on fire while it was parked on campus.

BY THE NUMBERS NFL PROTESTS

1,037

Americans were surveyed about the anthem protests

49%

Say NFL players are expressing opinions the wrong way

43%

Say the players are doing the right thing 63%

Think President Trump is handling race relations poorly

From the President

A message of hope



Elyse Gregory / The Oakland Post

Ora Hirsch PescovitzOakland University President

It is disheartening that for the second time in the three short months since I have been president of OU, I must reach out to you again regarding the issue of violence in our society.

However, I feel it is critical that we as a community fully acknowledge and consider the issue.

As you have heard, a gunman overlooking a crowd gathered at an outdoor concert in Las Vegas on Sunday shot and killed 59 people and wounded more than 500 hundred others.

There are no words to describe the atrocity of this act, and if you are like me, you have reacted with feelings of shock, horror, disbelief and sadness.

We may never understand why such brutality occurs in our world, but I believe that the love and strength of community helps us find ways to cope with the unfortunate and inescapable

reality of tragedies like this.

I am confident that our community will send thoughts, prayers and support to the individuals and families impacted by this event and the recent hurricanes that have devastated lives in Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico.

In times like these, such acts of kindness go a long way to ease feelings of helplessness and hopelessness.

We must do all in our power to prevent heinous acts of violence from occurring whenever possible.

If you believe that someone may be capable of or prone to engaging in an act of violence, I urge you to seek help immediately by contacting the Oakland University Police Department.

Again, our thoughts and prayers are with those whose lives have been impacted by natural disasters and human violence.

Thank you for all you do to contribute to the safety and well-being of our community.

Sincerely,

Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, M.D.

Note From the Editors:

The Las Vegas act of violence is the largest mass shooting in modern American history and is being called by some the largest act of terrorism since Sept. 11, 2001. Last year, we lost 49 fellow Americans in Orlando, FL, during another mass shooting. As journalists, it always upsets us to have the responsibility of reporting and analyzing these traumatic events which show no signs of slowing down in our country.

Our hearts are with the families of the 59 who lost their lives. We are also thinking of the over 500 Americans who were injured. People lost their friends, parents, brothers and sisters. Though none of us at The Post are personally affected by the tragedy, we empathize with those whose lives will never be the same.

As your student newspaper, it is our responsibility to give you all a voice as well as the facts. If you have anything to say about the tragedy or have a story to tell, please email our Editor-in-Chief, Shelby Tankersley, at editor@oaklandpostonline.com.

Sincerely,

Shelby, Cheyanne, John, Elyse, Connor, Laurel, Skylar, Simon and AuJenee



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Campus

Students gather to "Ask Ora"



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Pescovitz addresses question and concerns regarding Oakland University

Shelby Tankersley *Editor-in-Chief*

n Monday, Oct. 2, students, staff and faculty nearly filled the Oakland Center's Gold Rooms for a chance to ask Oakland University President Ora Hirsch Pescovitz and Vice President of Student Affairs Glenn McIntosh a question.

Student representatives from Oakland University Student Congress and the Residence Halls Association led the discussion.

Questions centered around advice, grade point average, administration and the cost of college. Below are some of students' questions as well as Pescovitz' and McIntosh's answers.

What advice would you give to college students?

...Be open to experiences, even the ones that you don't like. Because it's good to learn what you like and what you don't like. Be open to all of it.

How did you decide on your major in college?

I was debating between becoming a musician and a doctor all through high school. I couldn't decide. But I wasn't good enough to be a musician, so I became a doctor. I think being a musician is way harder than being a physician.

The cost of college is not affordable for many, how do you plan on keeping Oakland affordable?

Thank you for your question, I think it's an important one... I don't want to make your education worth less. So, I don't want to make your education experience less than it is today by giving you an education that is worth less at another university. I want this university experience [to be great]. So, for that, it's go-

ing to be costly. I don't think it's likely that I'm going to lower the cost of tuition here. What I would like to do is make it more accessible and affordable by getting more scholarships... But it's a very challenging situation.

Would you ever make cuts to administration?

... What is important for you all to understand is how much money is needed for infrastructure versus how much money is needed to run each component of an enterprise. One needs to spend money in administration in order for an infrastructure to run... I will tell you that [Oakland] is a lean university... Our total budget for the university is about \$300 million. My budget when I was the CEO at the University of Michigan Health System was over \$3.3 billion. We have a lot less money to do a lot of things.

Have you thought of homelessness in our student population? Do you have any plans

with the new residence hall? (Answered by McIntosh)

The good thing about Oakland is that we have a very socially conscious. In the plans for the Oakland Center renovation we'll have a food pantry and space for a clothes closet... When students share with us that they're homeless, we kind of work behind the scenes to take care of them... [But there is no plan in place to house homeless students in the new residence hall].

What do you plan to do in regard to mental health services? (Answered by McIntosh)

... There is a real growing need. As you guys know, all the studies show that this is the most stressed out generation ever... We respect that and are always seeing how we can interject services. We do have two counseling services on campus, there is one in the School of Education as well as the Graham Health Center. If you can't get into one fast enough, try the other.

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POLICE FILES

Not the Greatest First Impression

At 4:20 p.m. on Sept. 12, an Oakland University Police Department officer was dispatched to Meadow Brook Hall due to a report of three children that were left unattended. The children were alone for nearly half an hour to play in one of the golf course sand traps while their baby sitter left to get her dog. Upon their arrival at the police station, the children were given stickers, plastic police badges and coloring books to keep them occupied. The baby sitter and parents were contacted, where it was learned that this was the first occasion of the baby sitter watching the children after she and the family were introduced through church. The baby sitter was cited for child abuse of the fourth degree and released to her pastor and sister in-law.

Group Messages? More Like Drama Parties

Dispatch received a call that an assault had taken place in North Hamlin Hall on Sept. 20. The resident assistant on duty stated that one of the females had hit another resident and her lip had stuck to her braces. The victim stated that she and a roommate were having disagreements over a group message. The roommate came into her room that day and began arguing with the victim and this was the point when she had been hit in the face. The assailant was issued a citation for assault and battery, and told to pack a bag and leave campus. OUPD reminded her that she was not able to return until she had spoken to the Dean of Students.

Canadian Club Whiskey, A Bottle Of Wine, Labatt Reserve Apple Ale...

At 8:20 p.m. on Sept. 20, an officer was dispatched to West Vandenberg Hall for a welfare check on a student that may have alcohol present and had a history of self-harm. The officer did not observe odor of intoxicants nor did he observe red, watery eyes. When the officer asked her if she had any alcohol in her room, she responded in saying that "she did not think there was any alcohol" and none that "she knew was in there." In the refrigerator, the officer found a near empty bottle of Canadian Club Whiskey, a bottle of wine, a bottle of Labatt reserve apple ale and a diet coke bottle with rum in the freezer. She was issued a minor in possession of alcohol and the alcohol was disposed of.

Compiled by Mary Siring, Staff Reporter

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The pair got together to sign a three-year agreement to create an official partnership to further the new program.

Oakland and MIOSHA form alliance to promote growth

New degree program available to both students and adults

Mary Siring
Staff Reporter

he Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) has establishing the MIOSHA Training Institute (MTI), a workplace safety and health training certificate program, to a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Health and Safety Degree Program.

With the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, Congress created the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). MIOSHA is Michigan's program of OSHA, giving the state more oversight over the program.

"There are some states that have decided to have their own state program and Michigan is one of them," said Richard Olawoyin, an assistant professor of environmental health and safety at Oakland University. "They have even more oversight and enforcement of the law at a state level."

The opportunity for OU to team up with MIOSHA was first mentioned about four years ago. Last week on Thursday, Sept. 21 a three-year agreement was signed to officially form the alliance between the pair.

The new program is available to

those who have a valid MTI Level 2 Safety and Health Management Systems (SHMS) certificate. These individuals will be granted 11 Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) credits through an examination.

"Ideally, it provides students with an opportunity in jobs that they currently have," said Nella Ray-Davis, the MIOSHA CET Division Director. "It's a way to recognize the need for the background and training to do the job that they have been entrusted in doing."

The program is not only for students, but for working professionals that are already in the field, as well.

It also creates a chance for older individuals to interact with students, where both have different experiences and perspectives to discuss and apply.

"These students bring something to the table that we haven't had," Ray-Davis said. "It adds dimension to the classroom, adults and students working together."

The program is relevant and far reaching. In any occupation you can find a safety professional there. Whether in the automotive industry, manufacturing, construction, wholesale and in parks like Disney World.

"Anywhere you need to protect people, you find us," Olawoyin said. "We eliminate the risk so people aren't exposed to that risk."

Besides the certificate and resume line, MIOSHA is aiming to promote and foster the growth of workplace safety.

There has been a larger focus on safety after an increase of accidents in the workplace that have occurred in recent years, such as the BP oil spill.

According to Olawoyin, roughly 5,000 workers were killed on the job in 2008. By 2015, that number only dropped to 4,826 deaths. These numbers do not include the number of workers hurt and disabled on the job.

"It is important to train professionals that will be able to stop these things from happening," Olawoyin said. "We want people to go to work and come home safely."

With an ever-changing industry and economy, it is important to continue to keep that promise of safety that was made to workers. The end result is to protect people, people's property and the environment.

"We do it because we love it; because we are actually enriching people," Olawoyin said. "You see what you do every day."

Second annual hackathon

Laurel Kraus

Life Editor

Hackathons may not be an event that many people are aware of, but according to Arpan Rughani, former president of Oakland University's League of Engineers and Computer Scientists (LECS) and GrizzHacks organizer, social media titan Snapchat was actually invented at one.

LECS hosted its second annual hackathon, GrizzHacks 2, in the Science and Engineering Center from Saturday, Sept. 30 at 10 a.m. to Sunday, Oct. 1 at 4 p.m.

"I would describe a hackathon as a tech event where you can create whatever you want, learn how to code if you don't know how to code (and) make new friends," said Rohit Timmagi, president of LECS and the main sponsorship director.

Around 160 competitors, some from as far as places like Ohio and Philadelphia, attended the event and worked in teams to build the best possible project over the 24-hour period.

Rughani said that nearly 60 percent of the attendees had never experienced a hackathon before

"We want to be competing with University of Michigan (and) Michigan State, that hey we are not a small computer science school, we are actually at your level," he said. "We can pull off big events and we raised around 18-20 thousand for this weekend."

A panel of judges, all OU alums, ultimately decided the first, second and third place winning teams. Their consecutive prizes included Google Homes, Echo Dots (2nd Generation) and allnew Fire Seven Tablets with Alexa.

"It took them half an hour to

45 minutes to get the decision because there was so many great projects," Rughani said. "We had 33 project submissions and picking the top three was the hardest challenge for them."

The first place team consisted of John Brooks, Erald Bardhollari and Chase Ehlert. Their project is called the Daydream Detector (aka Anti-sleep 5000), and is essentially an Android app that measures the level of a person's drowsiness based on his or her blink rate and then determines if he or she is too tired to drive.

"It's [GrizzHacks] a great place to go with your friends of some of your peers in the program you're enrolled in at school to figure out a project and solve problems and work together and produce something at the end," Ehlert said. "For us, we had no idea we would get top five and then first place, so anything can happen.

The title of second place went to the project FishNet, created by Bradley Chippi, Nathan Johnson, James Wetter and Trent Killinger. FishNet is a way to tell exactly the species of fish that is on a person's line by attaching the plastic shell to the line and then using Bluetooth to have it send updates to a phone.

Third place was claimed by Lily Suau, Troy Butzin, Kevin Huffman and Laith Rafidi for their project gyroDrone. Through wearing a glove, a person is able to control the drone using just movements of his or her hand.

Other highlights of the event included the potential to meet recruiters, tech talks with tutorials from sponsors and an autonomous car that attendees could drive around campus.

LECS plans to put on a GrizzHacks 3 next year, and is looking for volunteers from any major who are interested in technology to join the team.



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Competitors attended event and collaborated together on group projects.

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Illinois at Chicago and Northwestern University. He works in the general area of oppositional political theory, with a particular focus on race. He is the author of more than one hundred journal articles, book chapters, comments and replies, and six books: The Racial Contract (1997), Blackness Visible: Essays on Philosophy and Race (1998), From Class to Race: Essays in White Marxism and Black Radicalism (2003), Contract and Domination (with Carole Pateman) (2007), Radical Theory, Caribbean Reality (2010) and Black Rights/White Wrongs: The Critique of Racial Liberalism (2017). In 2017, he was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the first black philosopher in the history of the organization to be elected under the category of philosophy.

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ABOUT RICHARD J. BURKE (1932-2012)

As the first faculty member hired at Oakland University, Richard Burke watched OU evolve from promising beginnings to a present day filled with possibility. To help bring those possibilities to fruition, he established the annual Richard J. Burke Lecture in Philosophy, Religion and Society.

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any students want the thrill of immersing themselves in another culture without the cost. Now, they have the opportunity thanks to the China Club, which has brought Taiwan Week to Oakland University, which goes through Oct. 6.

Taiwan Week first came to OU in 2015, thanks to Computer Facilities Administrator Peggy Chiu. Her involvement in the local Taiwanese community through various volunteer projects eventually helped her develop connections with the Taiwanese government, allowing her to put together a proposal that would, figuratively speaking, bring Taiwan to OU.

The success of the event allowed Chiu to bring it back in 2017, this time enlisting the help of Dr. Melanie Chang and Dr. Chiaoning Su as co-organizers of the weeklong celebration.

"We see ourselves as doing a public diplomacy, like we are branding our country," Su said. "Hopefully that will create a positive image for our country, and to start an engaging and interesting conversation with whoever might be interested in knowing more about Taiwan."

The events planned for the week include a three-day showcase at the Detroit Institute of Arts on a traditional form of art in Taiwanese culture known as shadow puppetry, as well as a panel discussion and film screening.

The shadow puppetry showcase was coordinated with the Michigan Taiwanese American Association, who, according to Chiu, chose the DIA because it holds the largest collection of shadow puppets outside of China and Taiwan.

Thursday, Oct. 5, will feature a panel from noon to 1 p.m. in 156 North Foundation Hall. Titled "Taiwan at the Crossroads," the presentation will help familiarize students with Taiwan. Chang will begin the panel with a basic introduction to the country, followed by Dr. Alan Epstein, who will discuss the political situation and international relations involving Taiwan, China, and the U.S. Su will speak about the



Courtesty of OU China Club

Dr. Chiaoning Su, Peggy Chiu, and Dr. Melanie Chang are working as the coorganizers of the 2017 Taiwan Week at Oakland University.

Taiwanese cultural industry, specifically in regards to film and television, "and how they sort of open up a way for Taiwan to introduce itself to the world. to the international society." Dr. Yan Li will be present as a discussant during the panel.

The festivities will conclude on Friday with a film screening of "Beyond Beauty: Taiwan from Above," a film that Su describes as immersive and unique. Directed by Chi Po-Lin, the film was chosen to pay homage to the late director, who passed away in a helicopter accident earlier this year, and also to expose students to "the multiple aspects of Taiwan." Su says that the film demonstrates the natural beauty of Taiwan, while also acknowledging the human exploitation of the landscape.

"I'm excited for the event," said sophomore Melinda Movius. "Taiwan is a very unique place that people don't focus on very often, so I'm glad we have the opportunity to learn more about and appreciate the coun-

As rewarding as it will be for students, the co-organizers also feel a sense of pride in putting the event together.

"I just feel like as a Taiwanese myself, it's just a good feeling to be able to give back to my country, to make my small contribution," Su said. "And that makes you feel, just... You know, I'm doing my job."

For more information about Taiwan Week, check out the event's flyer.

Taiwan Week comes to OU Students venture to Quicken Loans

OU students, alumni gather to tour Detroit-based company

> **Ariel Themm** Staff Intern

n Friday, Oct. 20, the Oakland University School of Engineering and Computer Sciences is having a Career Trek, where students can meet employers and Oakland University alumni who currently work at Quicken Loans. The event will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 1 p.m. The School of Engineering and Computer Sciences will provide transportation as well as lunch for students attending. Interested students must sign up on Handshake to experience the opportunity.

Quicken Loans is offering

jobs and internships such as mortgage bankers, data analysts and software engineers. The two areas of employment they need to fill are in IT and mortgage banking. Aside from that, Quicken is also known for hiring student of any major for different internships.

Quicken Loans is presenting students with meditators and OU alumni as well as a tour of the business. Kelli Foskic, a career consultant at OU, details the purpose of this activity.

"The mission to get OU students to experience the industries that will be hiring them. They will explore more about their future careers, while creating networking connections," Foskic said. "I think students aren't sure what to expect from these companies and this event will show them their future jobs or what they could be working for."

To get ready for this event, Oakland University Career Services offers a variety of tools for students to prepare for career opportunities. For instance, the office offers resume critiques and mock interviews by appointment. The office is also hosting an etiquette dinner on Oct. 26 and a speed networking event for health sciences majors on Nov. 9.

But, student experiences shows that attending career trek events is beneficial in its own way.

In the article, "Networking Skills, Resources Benefit Students Now, Later," by Kelly Newburg, students from Penn State University discussed the benefits of attending programs such as the one OU is offering this month.

One student, Carolyn Harpster, talk about how, as an underclassman, she learned from these programs and is beginning to create a larger source of connections that will aid her success through school as well as her career. Penn State has created multiple online sources as well as hosting their own recruitment activities to ensure the success of its students.

Quicken Loans is a mortgage lender company. But as a company it does so much more. For example, Quicken Loans moved all of its team from Michigan to be stationed in Detroit for economic stimulation for the city. The company has also donated about \$16 million to charities as well as put in more than 100,000 volunteer hours. To learn more, interested students can access the company's website at www. quickenloans.com

Quicken Loans, among other companies, has been a stable and consistent employer for OU students to have internships as well as full time positions.

This program is aimed to help students find their success, to motivate them in their studies. Their career won't be just a distant achievement they get at the end of school. Students will be immersed in the career and the companies that will be offering them jobs.

Movers and shakers attend Michigan Dance Festival

MDC brings workshops and a variety of classes on new styles

Katerina Mihailidis Staff Reporter

akland University's School of Music, Theater and Dance is co-hosting the 22nd annual Michigan Dance Festival on Saturday, Oct. 7 in Varner Hall.

The Michigan Dance Council was founded in 1996 to give choreographers the opportunity to showcase their work, as well as give dancers the opportunity to take classes from wellnoted choreographers in the state. It was the council that created the dance festival, the same year.

"MDC was founded as a means to connect the arts community across the state and to encourage wide participation... to create a voice for the dancers of Michigan," said Susanna Michaels, cofounder of the MDC.

With dance classes and workshops being offered, attendees can experience various

dance styles. The dance styles include the Dunham Technique, Caribbean dance, ballet, jazz, hip-hop and contemporary modern dance.

"We really try, within the small frame of the dance festival, to bring something for everyone," said Gregory Patterson, chair of MDC. "We offer a variety of styles and make it very eclectic."

The day begins at 12:30 p.m. with two free community classes for all levels of dancers. The festival ends with the Gala concert at 7 p.m., the general admission of which is \$20. Students and seniors can enjoy the concert for \$15.

The Gala concert is a performance of eight dancers/finalists competing for the 2017 Maggie Allesee Choreography Award. The eight dancers submitted their choreographies to the MDC in May and June and through third party adjudicators they were chosen to perform their work and compete in the Gala concert at OU in order to receive the "Maggie" Award.

Maggie Allesee, a philanthropist and an art enthusiast, will give out the award herself to whoever wins the competition.

This year's dance festival is not only different because it will be hosted at OU, but because MDC is including a dance class for challenged movers.

This is the fourth year that MDC organized auditions for summer intensive scholarships through dance schools and programs in Michigan. Grand Rapids Ballet, Blue Lakes Fine Arts Camp, Eisenhower Dance, Oakland University Summer intensive, Art-Lab J, Complexions Detroit Summer Intensive and Impulse Dance Institute are a few of the programs that offer summer intensive scholarships.

According to Michaels, Michigan at one point employed the most dance educators in the country. However, due to the lack of funding, dance programs are being compromised or even cut from the curriculum in public schools. This is why it is important to have community and statewide events like the MDC Michigan Dance Festival, Michaels said.

"It provides an opportunity for people of all backgrounds to engage in a dance experience, whether it is as a participant in a dance class, as an audience member or as an

arts enthusiast contributing comments at the annual dance networking meeting," Michaels said.

Penny Godboldo, dance instructor for the Dunham Technique at the festival, said that all attendees need to bring for her class are their mind, their body and their spirit.

"I want attendees to leave this festival with either a new excitement or a renewed excitement for the power of movement and the power of dance, in terms of communication, in terms of selfexpression, in terms of storytelling [and] in terms of creating moves and various scenarios," Godboldo said.

Loving dance since the age of 11 years old, Godboldo said that the festival will make people become re-inspired for what dance can of-

MDC brings the dance festival to the east, west and central Michigan. With months of preparation, including board meetings, information-gathering, teacher-finding, a judication process that determines the finalists performing in the Gala concert, as well as getting the OU studio together, Patterson said that MDC and OU are looking for exciting event this year.

Registration for the festival is open online at michigandance.org where attendees are encouraged to look at the schedule of the festival and sign up for the different activities, classes and the Gala concert.



Students learn to dance at Hispanic American Leadership Organization event.

A night full of dancing during **Hispanic Celebration Month**

Connor McNeely Campus Editor

As part of Oakland University's Hispanic Celebration Month, students, staff and alumni were welcomed to attend Salsa Night and learn traditional Latin dances in the Oakland Center. The Spanish Club, the Hispanic American Leadership Organization and Ballroom and Latin Dance Club co-hosted the event. It included step-by-step lessons on the salsa, bachata and merengue dances.

According to OU's website, "It is a long-standing tradition at Oakland University to recognize National Hispanic Celebration Month during the month of September to celebrate the history, politics and culture of Hispanic people, locally and globally."

On Sept. 29, couples were cutting a rug in celebration by adding fresh moves to their repertoires, forming new friendship and laughing together while trying to get the steps right.

In his first year as president of the Spanish Club, junior Bryan Munoz reached out to ballroom and Latin dance club to coordinate the event.

"I organized Salsa Night to have a little bit more of a spread of cultural awareness of Hispanic heritage at Oakland University and to get students involved in some fun events, also to show some culture of Latin dances and Latin food," he said.

Munoz is planning on organizing more events that showcase Latin culture including trips to Latin restaurants and holiday celebrations such as Day of the Dead in November.

Ballroom and Latin Dance

Club, which recently changed its name to be more inclusive of dances from other parts of the world, was in charge of the dance instruction.

"We rebranded over the summer to be more inclusive of what we actually were," said Megan Carson, president of Ballroom and Latin Dance Club.

"Because we started doing salsa and Latin dances over the past few years but it was never a [part of the club's name] and we saw that other university's teams were 'ballroom and Latin dance' teams and so we thought it fit better with who we are and what we want to be. So we wanted to have more Latin social dances to bring in some more fun and culture."

When they're not teaching Latin lessons in the OC or hosting other events like the couples dance night last February, Ballroom with Bae, ballroom and Latin dance club travels for competition. They're set to compete against schools including Michigan State University and the University of Michigan this year.

According to OU's website, Hispanic Heritage month started Sept. 15 because it is the anniversary of independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. The tradition was started nationally in 1968 under President Lyndon Johnson and expanded by Ronald Reagan in '88. Also in '88 the cultural observation was officially enacted into law.

Two more events are scheduled for this year's Hispanic heritage month— The Latina Empowerment Conference on Oct. 6 and an evening of storytelling centering on "unity in Diversity" on Oct. 12.



Photo courtesy of Michigan Dance Council The Michigan Dance Festival takes place on Oct. 7.

From studying in Kresge to running for office

Kade Messner
Staff Intern

Rochester Hills native and Oakland University graduate, Jenny McCardell announced her candidacy for Rochester Hills City Council on March 13 for the upcoming election on Nov. 7. McCardell grew up and went to school in the Rochester area. Following high school, she joined the Navy as a medic.

"I joined the U.S. Navy a year after the 9/11 terrorist attacks," McCardell said. "I joined because I had a motivation to do something to serve our amazing country."

During her stint in the Navy, McCardell learned that human beings are nothing without one another, and that it doesn't matter who you are or where you are from if you want to make a difference. McCardell hopes she can use what she learned in the Military to make a change in the Rochester Hills community.

"The Navy taught me that it is possible to work with others as a team and perform really important work," McCardell said. "This is the mentality that I will bring into politics, and one of the strongest reasons why I am running for City Council right now. I be-

lieve that you need to be the change that you want to see in the world and I will bring my solutions based, resident focused perspective to Rochester Hills

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"We need committed, thoughtful people like [McCardell].
She is someone I could always count on and I am sure that has

Fay Hansen Associate Professor of Biology

City Council."

not changed."

After being honorably discharged from the Navy, McCardell continued her education at George Washington University earning an associates degree in laboratory technology. In 2008, McCardell graduated cum laude with a degree in environmental science, and in 2015, earned her master's in public administration at OU.

"Oakland University is a large enough school that you can receive a world class education, yet small enough, where you can be a student leader and watch your work have a positive effect," McCardell said. "Oakland University truly prepared me to take part in our community so that I could bring positive changes to our area and I am so grateful for that."

While working toward her master's degree, McCardell helped local non-profit organizations and received an understanding of local and state governments.

"We need committed, thoughtful people like [McCardell]," McCardell's Associate Professor of Biology Fay Hansen, said. "She is someone I could always count on and I am sure that has not changed."

Now a wife and mother to three children, McCardell is narrowing in on her next goal of becoming a part of City Council.

If elected, she plans to manage the city's growth in regards to public safety and infrastructure including roads, police and fire stations and communicating better with residents in accessibility to local government and transparency.

"I would also like to hold public forums in a more informal setting so residents can address their concerns or offer feedback," McCardell said. "When a resident has a problem, they

may think, 'I should contact the mayor.' How many residents ever think that they could contact their elected district or at-large representatives? Not many, I believe. I want to change that. A government with input from our very intelligent and professional residents is the best government, and I think city council can create a better platform to retrieve this input."

Students can learn more about Jenny McCardell and her candidacy on her website: www.jenny4rochester.com



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Oakland alum Jenny McCardell announced
her candidacy for the RHCC.

Fashion Misconceptions

Katarina Kovac Staff Intern

After receiving many "Congratulations!" texts upon accepting my first fashion internship, people proceeded to ask the question, "So, your life is basically "The Devil Wears Prada,' right?"

To answer their question, yes and no. It was extremely fast-paced and exciting, but none of my bosses were the devil.

I thought it would be helpful to those who are looking to break into the fashion industry if I debunked four of the biggest myths circulating the fashion world.

1. Everyone is mean in the fashion industry

Yes, there are mean people, but I would say the industry is still dominated by very nice people overall. The world of fashion is so small, and everyone is so dependent on each other. If you're mean to someone, it's going to come back to bite you when you need something from them a few years later (which you will).

The "being mean" thing never gets anyone far. I have made some of my best friends while interning, and have gained the most incredible mentors within various companies. There's an emotional connection to the work people are doing and the passion behind it that becomes a uniting force.

2. You need to go to fashion school to get a

job in the industry

While going to a fashion-specific school will help if you have the goal of becoming a designer, there are plenty of liberal arts universities that offer majors that will help you get a career in the fashion industry. Designers and publications look for people with diverse backgrounds such as English, public relations, marketing, communications and more.

3. The days are excruciatingly long

This one is actually true. People in the fashion industry have insane hours, but more often than not, you don't hear them complaining about it. If you are like me and are completely obsessed with what you do while wanting a fashion career so badly it hurts your soul, then you won't feel like you're sacrificing anything.

4. You'll have to do crazy tasks for your boss

As an intern for various companies, I was sent on many tasks, but truth be told I was never asked to do anything outrageous. In all honesty, I loved running errands that required me to step out of the office. They were always fun and kept my job interesting.

When asked to pick up clothing samples from various locations around the city, I always did it with pride knowing that they were important and would end up in photo shoots

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FEMINISTS OF OAKLAND

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Falin Hakeem Staff Reporter

he Feminists of OU are an on-campus organization that works toward raising awareness of inequalities faced by minority groups in contemporary cultures. President of the organization, Erin Shrum, sat down with The Post to talk upcoming events, why students should join and what it truly means to be a feminist.

"A major misconception of feminism is that it focuses on women's issues and women's issues only," she said. "Although gender inequality is a major forefront of our battle, any form of injustice against any oppressed group is our battle as well. Our group works extremely hard to make sure that all perspectives are heard on campus. Students should join because each individual voice is vital for the movement as a whole."

Feminists of OU was revamped

in 2016 during the fall semester and has been active ever since, keeping a tightly knit circle of 25 members. Each month, the organization holds at least one lecture and hosts one event.

"Our lectures usually involve a professor speaking about a feminist issue, and free food," Shrum said. "While our events are more activist oriented, such as our annual slut walk or equal pay bake sale, we are always open to ideas and we have no problem scheduling an event if that's what members of the organization are interested in."

Sept. 28 was the organization's second annual slut walk, a march for freedom from the strategies used to uphold oppressive power structures.

"People use degrading terms such as "slut" to maintain power over a marginalized group of people," Shrum said. "Slut walks have notoriously been about women marching against this word in order to reclaim it and take away its power. The Feminists of OU

wanted to take this concept and expand it in order to make it more inclusive to all people. Feminism isn't actually feminism unless it combats the oppression faced by all people simply because of their class — whether it be sex, gender identity, income, sexual orientation, race and ability."

Shrum also hopes the organization can extend their message to a broader range of people by opening the march up to combat all types of derogatory words used to uphold oppressive power structures, rather than restricting the march to just the word "slut."

As for students who are thinking about joining the club, Shrum said that it's important for the feminist movement as a whole to be inclusive of people with various backgrounds.

"The more perspectives we have, the better," she said. "Anyone is welcome to join, and we hope you do. We are all learning every day and all working together to become the best versions of ourselves."





Cheyanne KramerManaging Editor

The Feminists of Oakland University returned with their second-annual Slut Walk on Thursday, Sept. 28. However, in contrast to other slut walks, there was a distinctive OU twist on this march.

Slut walks are traditionally for those marching to reclaim the word "slut" as an empowering term. Susie Mickhail, a sociology major, walked for the first time in the slut walk this year.

"I think it's super important to break down negative stigmas around a lot of words that we use," Mickhail said.

However, Feminists of OU president Erin Shrum said that this year, the event would be inclusive to people suffering all different forms of oppression, not just those who have been victimized by the word "slut."

"The hardest part of setting up the event was getting the right message across," she said. "Usually we only focus on one type of oppression, and we wanted this to help all marginalized people."

Some of the signs that those participating carried contained phrases regarding being proud of a disability, being proud of your skin tone and, like last year's march, educating bystanders on the meaning of consent.

Elle Hilley is a sophomore and a three-semester long member of the Feminists of OU. To her, the march is important not only to her because of how she values feminism in her worldviews, but because of recent events locally.

"The whole campus sexual assault problem is so bad now," Hilley said. "Especially with what happened here at OU."

Last week, a student was sexually assaulted near Elliott Tower, which was where the slut walk began.

Marchers traveled from Elliott to the residence halls, then back through the Oakland Center, toward and through Varner Hall, be-

fore ending up back at the tower.

The march was about 20 people strong at its peak, and saw numerous bystanders stopping marchers asking what they were marching for. Some onlookers clapped or made acknowledging remarks, especially in the busy Pioneer Food Court during lunch time. As the group walked through the more narrow hallways in the OC, many stopped and stepped aside, allowing those marching to pass through without commotion.

One man even handed marchers condoms. Many marchers took the free items.

However, not all reception to the march was positive. One man driving by the group yelled "build a wall." Another just yelled the word "no" as marchers walked by.

The Feminists of OU break a lot of stereotypes that can come to mind when thinking about feminism in the modern world. To vice president Courtney Bryson, feminism is more than just equality between genders.

"Feminism is equality based on gender, race, class and sexuality, and looking at how all of these things intersect in our lives," Bryson said.

Some of the signs marchers carried contained profanity, and when they marched by a large group of touring children, many put their signs down out of respect to the young visitors to OU.

Shrum said that the Feminists of OU will be bringing lectures once a month with professors speaking on a variety of different feminist issues. In addition, the organization is attempting to plan around one event per month.

November's event will be an equal pay bake sale, which Shrum said was a hit last year.

"It gets the word out about different intersections of race, gender, and sexual orientation," Shrum said.

Those interested in getting involved can follow the organization's Facebook page, OU Feminists





Hidden Treasures in Wilson Hall

Art Proffesor Dick Goody created an art piece composed of 10,500 pieces stored behind the piece



Taylor Stinson / The Oakland Post Historic prints from the 19th century are included in the art gallery.

Katerina Mihailidis

Staff Reporter

Talking into the Wilson Hall Art Gallery, one will see unique and eclectic exhibitions that make up what may be Oakland University's best kept secret. The art pieces are curated and thoughtfully chosen by Dick Goody, di-

rector of the gallery. Goody is a professor of art at Oakland, as well as the chair of the Department of Art and Art History.

The pieces are set up in a harmonic, insightful and purposeful way so that visitors can experience the very essence of the art and the exhibition.

Visitors who come to the gallery may also see Goody himself—talking to or guiding interested students, staff and faculty through the exhibitions, pondering over the art like a father, proud of the successful setup of each art installation.

What visitors will not see are the 10,500 pieces of art stored behind the gallery. Pieces that could perhaps amount to four or even five more galleries if displayed properly.

If one were to walk through a little door on the side of the gallery and continue to walk through the narrow hallway, they would find ethnographic African artifacts and tribal treasures. Their worth increases as each year passes.

"Art is a reflection of its time," Goody said, regarding the age and value of some of these pieces, which come from a plethora of civilizations and cultures around the world.

There are prints from the 19th and 20th century on the walls,

in boxes and on shelves. A significant collection of Chinese scrolls dating back to 1950 are stored in fireproof cabinets.

One who ventures into these collections would come across pre-Columbian art, Roman antiquity and pieces from the era of the renaissance movement as well.

The art is hidden away until the day that the idea of an OU museum is realized.

Goody said he sees this realization as inevitable. All that is needed is a donor and the funding for a properly conditioned space for the art pieces.

The art would need to rotate, Goody said, and be displayed so that the public's interest and attention can always be drawn.

What is being done for the display of the art at the present moment?

Well, some of the classes of the Department of Art and Art History are working on creating exhibitions using pieces from the seemingly mishmash collection of the hidden gallery.

Being on week four of classes students are now most likely trying to figure out a theme and an inventory for the exhibition they will create, according to Goody.

The pieces behind the gallery, worth thousands of dollars, are maintained, carefully stored and protected as much as possible, in the conditions that the art demands.

The sculptures, paintings and prints can be viewed upon request. Art appreciators, enthusiasts or interested individuals can email Goody at goody@oakland.edu.

The current art exhibition at Wilson Hall's Art Gallery is called "Ethics of Depiction: Landscape, Still Life, Human," and it features a plethora of well-noted artists. The current exhibition will run until Nov. 19.

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Bernie Sanders "College for All"

Act proposed by previous presidential candidate has resurfaced, push for Congress to help students



John Bozick Web Editor

Bernie Sanders College for All Act was introduced two years ago to Congress, being called things such as a "pie in the sky idea," the bill seemed lost, that is until today. Being that public opinion on the issue has never been higher, Sanders believes now is the time for Congress

to act in providing college for all.

The College for All Act was introduced by Sanders alongside fellow senators Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass), Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.), Chris Murphy (D-Conn), Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn) and Kamala Harris (D-Calif) along with numerous members from The House of Representatives.

Sanders' legislation would provide at least \$41 billion a year to states to eliminate undergraduate tuition and fees at public colleges and universities. The act would cover the tuition for students from any family that makes less than \$125,000 a year so long as they attend a public four year university.

Students, regardless of their income would also be eligible to attend community college tuition and feefree. However, in order to qualify for federal funding, states would need to meet a number of different requirements.

According to the legislation states need to maintain spending on their

higher education systems, academic instruction and need based financial aid. The act would prohibit colleges from using funding to build non-academic buildings such as sports stadiums and from being used for administrator salaries and merit-based financial aid.

Under the act, the federal government would provide 67 percent of the funding while states would need to provide the remaining 33 percent. All in all, the entire total cost of the act levels out at a total cost of \$600 billion.

Funding for the act would be done through a specific Wall Street tax that would work by imposing a Wall Street speculation tax of about 0.5 percent on all stock trades.

This tax could potentially bring in close to \$300 billion in tax revenue a year once implemented. Similar taxes have been imposed in countries such as Denmark, Germany, France, Switzerland and Hong Kong among others

Sanders is urging colleges across

America to participate in hosting College for All rallies on Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. while participating in his livestream on his Facebook page. The purpose of his fight is to protest student loan debt that has accumulated drastically in the recent years.

Writing in an e-mail op-ed, Sanders states, "It's no secret that student debt in America has reached crisis proportions, with more than 40 million Americans owing over \$1.3 trillion. All across this country, young people are struggling with outrageous debt for decades, which impacts their ability to get married, have kids or buy a home. People should not be punished for getting the education they need."

As the political climate in this country continues to sour among partisan fighting and President Donald Trump's volatile presidency, Sanders continues to show that he is one of the few politicians in Congress who will fight for the good of the American people, not for the good of a political party or his own personal gain.

A look at the national anthem protests



Isaac MartinPolitical Contributor

Not since the days of Tommie Smith and John Carlos have athletes made such a dynamic statement. The Sunday before last over 200 NFL players either sat or knelt in protest during the singing of the national anthem. The protests began in August

2016 when Colin Kaepernick famously sat during the "Star Spangled Banner."

Why? What is the motivation for this apparent disrespect for our nation? A deep-seated desire to "seek... equality for all people," according to protesting tight end Julius Thomas.

A week and a half ago, President Donald Trump in no uncertain terms expressed his displeasure with the NFL players who kneel during the anthem.

"Wouldn't you love to see one of these NFL owners, when somebody disrespects our flag, to say, 'Get that [SOB] off the field right now," were his words.

No wonder his statements raised the ire of many in the NFL, where 70 percent of players are black. However, in fairness, Trump seems to have been exaggerating to get his main point across: We as a

people shouldn't tolerate disrespect for our country.

Trump's remarks and the almost immediate blowback has triggered a nationwide dialogue. According to a recent CBS News survey, the majority of Americans disapprove both of the president's statement and the Kaepernick protest which sparked it. The same poll found that our opinions of on the field responses to Trump's statement were equally divided-40 percent approved, 39 percent disapproved while and 21 percent remain uncertain.

A good example of this complexity is found in Rishard Matthews. The wide receiver for the Tennessee Titans, stated after Sunday's game that he would keep kneeling until Trump apologized. Matthews has a unique perspective; his Marine brother was killed in action in Afghanistan, his father is a 23 year military vet-

eran and he was Kaepernick's college roommate. This man can see both sides of the issue. When he kneels, he means no disrespect.

Nor did Kaepernick.

Eric Reid, Kaepernick's teammate and the first one to join him in kneeling, says they actually chose that posture to avoid the appearance of disrespect.

"After hours of careful consideration, and even a visit from Nate Boyer, a retired Green Beret and former NFL player, we came to the conclusion that we should kneel, rather than sit...because it's a respectful gesture," recalls Reid in an op-ed written in The New York Times.

The reason for the protests was not to retaliate against Trump, but rather to raise awareness to the injustice faced by many African Americans to whom the themes of the anthem sound hollow. Yet,

it might not have been a bad decision for Kaepernick to express his dissatisfaction with our country some other way.

Oddly, Kaepernick and Trump may have something in common: they both stand for their beliefs in less than advisable ways. The oft-maligned QB ought to be applauded for standing against injustice—and I do mean stand.

For the sake of his cause, it would have been better to stand and completely avoid the appearance of disrespect. Trump was 100 percent correct in going to bat for American unity as one nation respecting our flag.

We ought to avoid the errors of both Kaepernick and Trump while imitating their strengths. We ought to avoid the appearance of disrespect in both our words and deeds. But we also must stand for the truth in everything we do or say.

Based on a true story: "Battle of the Sexes"

Emma Stone serves a gripping spin on sexuality and equality in new biographical movie

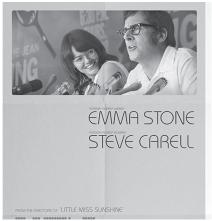


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The film shows sexism in a different light.

Trevor TyleStaff Reporter

ost of us didn't need to be alive in 1973 to understand that society was plagued by sexism and homophobia. We still experience these issues every day, though with a far more extensive eagerness for change. This fervor stems from the

courageousness of icons like Billie Jean King, the focus of the new film "Battle of the Sexes."

The film tells the true story of the 1973 tennis match between King (Emma Stone) and Bobby Riggs (Steve Carell). King, motivated by the unequal pay between male and female tennis players, agreed to compete with Riggs in the tennis match, which has since become a monumental moment for feminism.

It's a fitting role for Stone. The 28-year-old actress was recently named the highest paid actress of 2017 and has been very vocal about the pay disparity in Hollywood, making the parallels between Stone and King uncanny. Although the performance doesn't quite match the brilliance of her role in "La La Land," for which she received the Academy Award for Best Actress, Stone rejuvenates the real-life King, bringing her strength to a whole new generation.

Carell also perfectly encapsulates the goofiness of Riggs, King's distastefully sexist opponent. His unfiltered crudity and inappropriate remarks are reminiscent of Carell's role as Michael Scott on "The Office," though on a deeper and more serious level.

Stone and Carell have a surprisingly limited amount of screentime together, given the film's premise, but the moments they do share demonstrate their remarkable chemistry, after previously appearing together in the 2011 flick "Crazy, Stupid, Love."

The film's biggest issue lies in its romantic subplot. Though King is shown with her husband Larry (Austin Stowell) at the beginning of the film, it quickly becomes clear that there is sexual tension between her and her hairdresser, Marilyn (Andrea Riseborough), with whom she develops a romantic relationship. Though the affair feels far from forced, many of their scenes feel awkwardly shot, almost as if to emphasize that there is an openly lesbian relationship in the film, and for once, it doesn't feel like a publicity stunt.

Although King's infidelity was indeed one of the personal struggles she endured in her preparation for her match against Riggs, the film's choice

to focus on it so extensively just feels wrong. It almost incriminates her character before she even has the chance to be a protagonist with whom audiences can empathize.

Despite this, props should be given to directors Jonathan Dayton and Valerie Faris for giving audiences an authentic, realistic portrayal of a young woman struggling to come to terms with her sexuality.

Overall, "Battle of the Sexes" is witty, entertaining and powerful. Although the film would really flourish with a little less romance and a little more tennis, it ends on a satisfying note that will both uplift and inspire audiences.

The film's final moments reiterate to both King and audiences the importance of her fight for equality and the change that it is facilitated.

"Times change," says King's fashion designer Ted (Alan Cumming). "You should know, you just changed them."

If King's goal was to change the world with her story, it's safe to say she aced it.

Rating: 4/5 Stars

"This Is Us" fans finally get what they've been waiting for

Television series that revolves around telling the story of a married couple with triplets

Falin Hakeem Staff Reporter

Spoiler alert: This review contains plot spoilers.

Box of tissues? Check. A gallon of rocky road ice cream? Check. Confirmation of how Jack died? Check. Well, sort of.

NBC's hit drama "This is Us" is back for its highly anticipated second season to make us laugh, ugly cry and to debunk the theories we all frantically read on Reddit in the wee hours of the night. The episode, respectively titled "A Father's Advice," aired on Tuesday, Sept. 27.

The Pearson family picked up right where they left off at the end of season one. It's "The Big three's," AKA Kate, Kevin and Randall's (Chrissy Metz, Justin Hartley, and Emmy winner Sterling K. Brown) birthday. Kate auditions to sing, Kevin takes on the movie role he's been offered and Randall and Beth (Susan Kelechi Watson) contemplate adoption.

Meanwhile, Jack and Rebecca (Milo Ventimiglia and Mandy Moore) are not in the greatest place in terms of their marriage on account of Jack's drinking problem (insert broken heart emoji). For those who may not know, the show goes back and forth between scenes from the past and present, intertwining the two.

Although the tone of "A Father's Advice" was much like the first episode of season one, fans of the show finally got what they've been waiting for (or at least a glimpse into what lies ahead for Jack's fate).

In true "This Is Us" fashion, it wasn't until the last scene where Rebecca is driving home (in a Steeler's jersey I might add) with a tiny plastic bag of Jack's possessions next to her in the passenger's seat. She pulls up to her home, which is burnt down and surrounded with caution tape and firefighters. The camera pans to a red mailbox that reads "Pearson" in white letters and pans back to her. She releases a painfully emotional scream.

"I don't know how to feel," Moore said at PEOPLE's screening in Los Angeles. "It was weird to watch it, but I'm so glad we got to watch it together. It's nice to know that piece of the puzzle."

Could it be that Jack dies in a house fire? Some people seem to think so while others beg to differ. Dan Fogelman, director of the show tells Indie Wire that nothing about that final scene was misdirected.

"I think our closest fans can watch every moment



Photo courtesy of IMD

Series returns with second season beginning with new episode "A Fathers Advice"

of the last two minutes, like the Zapruder film," Fogelman said. "Nothing has been done accidentally. Whether it be Kate feeling responsible for her father's death, things we're going to reveal about Kevin, or things we're seen in the final ending of the show in the last two minutes. We've not doing this willy-nilly. Everything has a point and a reason. Every little detail, and it will match up."

Still got that box of tissues by your side? Good. You are going to need it to wipe away the tears and keep a close watch for more clues this season

Rating: 5/5 Stars

Albaugh's Advice Column: a special story for the freshmen here at Oakland University

Simon Albaugh

Social Media Editor

know, I know. Who's this guy "tryna come at me" with another advice column? Who's this old guy thinking he knows more than me?

Well I'm just here to give you little "freshies" some helpful advice on your amazing transition to your new life in college.

So, I've opened up a helpful little Q&A just for you freshmen to express your post-puberty concerns. It's a place where no one is going to judge you and you can ask any questions that you need. I've been here quite a while, so I pretty much know what to expect from you little guys.

Now, if I were you, I would take advantage of this. Not a lot of people would stoop down to your level and help you like I am. So just respectfully email your questions from your brand-new

Oakland University email, and I'll post them in my newspaper column.

And who knows; maybe if you work really hard you can have a newspaper column just like me

Rebecca H. —Engineering Major: Hey Simon, why do you suck so much?

Okay. Well I don't know how to answer that, but I can say that college is a pretty humbling experience because most people just can't deal with mean people like you.

Stanley Q. -English and Journalism Major: Hiya Simon! So are you a graduate student, or are you just too dumb to get through undergrad in less than seven years?

Okay, I am a junior status in my third year. I don't understand why you guys are being so mean Jason S. —Undecided: We're

about this stuff. I'm really just trying to help you guys.

Camille J. —Psychology Major: I'm here to actually ask a genuine question.

Oh my God, thank you. Ask

How does it feel to get bullied in college?

Did you guys just come together to dump all of your problems over the internet?

Noah B. —Business Major: If I gave you a million dollars, can I film you crying in front of your emails?

What does that even have to do with college? And how are you guys coordinating this stuff? Is it just one group of creepy old men that picked up a newspaper at Applebees?



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Freshmen open up to the editor about their concerns with post-puberty.

not a group of old men. Also my question: Why do you suck so much?

Alright, this is over. I'm done with you guys and I'm done with college. You guys are just... just really mean. I can't believe I

tried to be nice to you. I was going to help you with your college problems. But nope. I'm not going to help any of you freshmen again.

And to think we could have been friends!

Students are acting so crazy that some people are mistaking them as "animals"

Oakland's "Animal House disorder" support group continues to help the delusional

Simon Albaugh

Social Media Editor

support group at Oakland Auniversity continues to help students with delusions of constant partying, sex and John Belushi references finally learn to accept the sad reality.

Known as "What did you honestly expect guys?" the group opened its doors to Oakland University in 1983, five years after the summer "Animal House" was released. Since then, it has helped over 20,000 students stop trying to give themselves alcohol poi-

"It's just sad to see these people, who are normal people like you and me, have this difficult time with college," said faculty director and founder Edna Jones. "Sometimes I can't even bring myself to tell them that you actually have to do homework."

People with Animal House disorder usually spend most of their time trying to create devastating shenanigans. Last year alone, over \$20,000 worth of school property was either soaked in cheap beer, put in somebody's underwear drawer, or used to create an avant-garde sculpture in a frat

"We had people that were so far into the disorder that they could only think about getting on double secret probation," Jones said. "We don't even have that here!"

For those suffering from the disorder, life can be extremely fun, especially when it really shouldn't be. And this can cause problems.

"The day I came to college, I thought it was the best day of my life," said sophomore engineering major Dan Clayton. "Then it turned into a nightmare. I had to do homework, and the teachers kept yelling at me for never doing anything."

For Clayton, that meant somehow almost setting Bear Lake on fire. I don't know how he could've done it, and no one will tell me. So I guess that's really bad.

"I think this group helps

me understand that my shenanigans have manifested into some sort of addiction," Clayton said. "And that addiction is just as damaging as any other, even though it can, and has been made into numerous comedy movies."

Clayton says that you often don't know you have the disorder.

"I was so focused on putting rubber cement on every desk in South Foundation Hall that I never asked myself why," Clayton said.

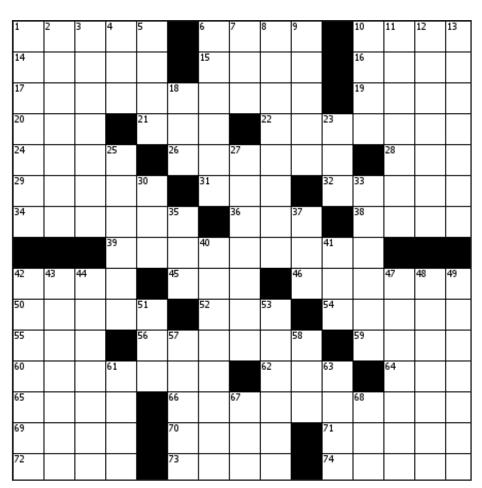
Research is currently underway by the OU psychology department to identify the causes of this disorder. But according to the website, the answer has eluded staff members.

"Our research is completely at a standstill," said OU psychology professor Darin Gilbertini. "Mostly because I forgot my Amazon Prime password, and I'm not about to spend \$2.99 on a movie I can't even keep."

Obviously in a situation like this, answers are needed to answer some of the hardest questions. But in the meantime, we can only hope that the people suffering, won't have to suffer as severely as those poor, poor souls at National Lampoon.

If you or someone you know may be suffering from this disorder, please tell them to fight every prank-related ideation. And to not set Bear Lake on

Puzzles



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- 1. Interest of Percival Lowell
- 6. Floating slammer
- 10. Planetarium sights
- 14. Remark to the audience
- 15. Type of part
- 16. He ran beside a Ford
- 17. Humdinger
- 19. School near Slough
- 20. General Arnold's nickname
- 21. It doesn't detonate
- 22. Sketches over
- 24. "Miss ___ Regrets" (Porter tune)
- 26. Ray on "Everybody Loves Raymond"
- 28. In addition
- 29. St. Peter's sculpture
- 31. Tit for _
- 32. Use steel wool and elbow grease
- 34. Horror movie sound
- 36. Church bench
- 38. Scraps of food
- 39. Archie Bunker statement
- 42. Connors defeater, 1975
- 45. Serpent's mark?
- 46. With less tread
- 50. Reprove mildly
- 52. Transgress
- 54. "Okie From Muskogee"

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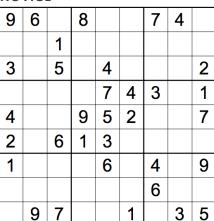
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- 65. Falco of "The Sopranos"
- 66. Wild revelry
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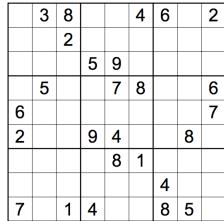
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- 4. They may be classified or personal
- 5. Advance
- 6. Bombshell Brigitte
- 7. What some people are stuck in
- 8. Repeated
- 9. Lawyer turned bridge wiz
- 10. Frankfurt's river
- 11. Pitcher's cuff

- 12. Wingding
- 13. They detect heat or motion
- 18. Lord's Prayer opener
- 23. Uno uno
- 25. Simmered slowly
- 27. Topographers
- 30. A patient response?
- 33. Beverage chest
- 35. Curly's brother
- 37. Charlotte had one
- 40. Pull ahead of
- 41. Water container?
- 42. Be successful
- 43. Big bash
- 44. Sounding like a mad cat
- 47. Dribbled
- 48. Saying 'ere or 'ead, e.g.
- 49. Publicity piece
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- 53. Full-bodied
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- photography
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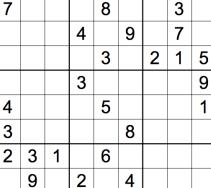
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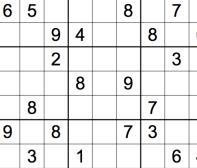


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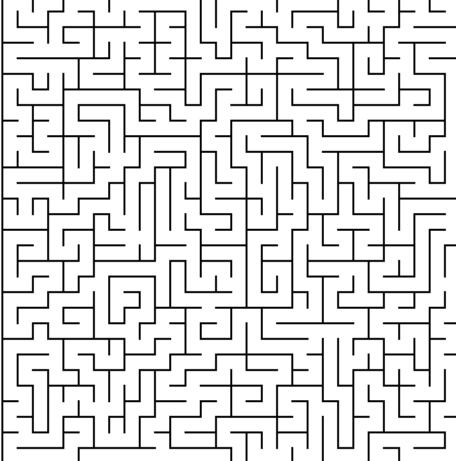


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Sports

The Blitz: Everything fans need to know about Oakland athletics and the results from games

Catch up on how Oakland University's resident athletes have been fairing in competition this past week

Katie LaDuke

Staff Reporter

Men's Golf

On Monday, Sept. 25, Oakland men's golf recorded a final score of 872 (+20) to come in second at the NKU Fall Classic at Elks Run Golf Club in Batavia, Ohio.

Jake Keen led the Golden Grizzlies tied for fourth at 216 (+3). Thomas Giroux and Connor Jones shot a round three score of 69 (-2) to tie for 16th place. Jones also matched a career-low for a single round and recorded a hole-in-one.

On day two, Oakland was the only team to shoot under par at 281 (-3) for the third lowest team round in the tournament's history.

Women's Golf

Oakland women's golf finished the two-day Golden Grizzlies Invite on Tuesday, Sept. 26 with a score of 618 (+42) at Katke-Cousins Golf Course.

With a combined score of 150 (+6), Alexis Jones earned her first individual tournament title. This win marked the third consecutive time an Oakland player won the Golden Grizzlies Invite. Other Oakland golfers that found a spot in the top 10 players were Fiona Schmidt, Kylee Sullivan and Veronica Haque.

Men's Soccer @ UM

The Oakland men's soccer team traveled to Ann Arbor on Wednesday, Sept. 27. The Golden Grizzlies defeated No. 20 Michigan 2-1 at the U-M Soccer Complex. This victory was Oakland's first win over a ranked opponent since 2014.

The Black and Gold tailed 1-0 going into the second half, but eventually tied the game at 1-1 with a goal from Austin Ricci. Nebojsa Popovic and Evan Sawula assisted Ricci's fifth goal of the season. At the 64th minute, Sullivan Lauderdale put up the game-winning goal with help from Nick Strack.

Swimming and Diving @ UM

Both Oakland men's and women's swimming and dive teams hit the pool in Ann Arbor for a dual meet Friday, Sept. 29 at Canham Natatorium. The Golden Grizzlies fell to the University of Michigan with the men's team coming up short 203-91 and the

women's team failing 203-90.

For the men's one-meter dive, Joe Smith placed second with a score of 342.82. Cassie Misiewicz also placed second for the women's squad in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:00:16.

Cross Country

Oakland men's and women's cross country teams attended the 16th Annual Louisville Sports Commission Cross Country Classic on Saturday, Sept. 30 in Louisville, Ky.

Bryce Stroede led the men's team by finishing 17th out of 145 runners for the 8K with a time of 23:53.64 to break the school record. With a time of 24:28.68, Jacob Bowman finished 40th. For the women's team, Rachel Levy finished 48th out of 290 runners

for the Gold 5K with a time of 17:28.07, and Maggie Schneider finished at 17:29.04 to place 50th.

Men's Soccer @ Green Bay

On Saturday, Sept. 30, Oakland men's soccer visited Green Bay, Wis. to take on their Horizon League competitor. The Golden Grizzlies ultimately fell to Green Bay 2-4.

Austin Ricci tied the game in the first half 1-1 with his sixth goal of the season. Green Bay added two more goals in the beginning of the second half before Ricci, assisted by Nebojsa Popovic, put up his second goal of the night and the final one for Oakland at the 78th minute to make it 2-3. The Phoenix went on to add one more goal.



A nation fired up from football protests

Would national anthem protests ever happen during Oakland University events?

Ed Zilincik Staff Intern

he Oakland University Football Club is flying high these days. Coming off as the National Club Football Association champions during the 2016 season, the team won at Michigan State 39-20 to improve its record to 2-0 in the season.

However, last Sunday the NFL showed America just how divided it currently is as a nation and even as a cultural bastion for football.

Anthem protests—where players, coaches and owners kneeled or locked arms during the national anthem—were seen across NFL cities before games. Detroit, Phoenix, Foxborough, Nashville and even Washington D.C., team members from all different ethnicities and backgrounds protested during the national anthem.

Substantial backlash was seen from the players after President Donald Trump unexpectedly went after NFL players who were kneeling or protesting during the national anthem.

"Wouldn't you love to see one of these NFL owners, when someone disrespects our flag, to say 'get that son of a bitch off the field right now?" Trump said during a campaign rally in Alabama. "Out! He's fired! Fired!"

The kneeling protests were originally started by NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick during the 2016 NFL pre-season. A large number of other players joined during the 2016 season and has since continued to protest during the start of the 2017 season.

Trump's comments poured gasoline on an issue that seemingly was starting to fade out of the public's focus, especially when factoring in that the found-

er of the protests, Kaepernick isn't currently on an NFL roster.

These protests have angered and alienated a significant portion of NFL fans. In a recent poll, it was found that a majority of fans disagree with the anthem protest. Additionally, NFL ratings are down since the protests began last year and have continued to drop at the start of this season.

With the nearly universal admonishment from the players of Trump's comments, and the largely negative feeling toward him from most athletes currently active, one has to wonder just how far these protests will go.

Could we see anthem protests here at Oakland?

Bobby Saad is a 22-year-old who is in his fourth season playing linebacker for the football club. Saad was very candid on the subject of player protests during the national anthem.

"Personally, it is my opinion that it is any person's right to protest, and especially for good reason, with everything that has been going in this county of late," he said. "However, kneeling during our anthem is not something I respect."

"I stand for the national anthem for those who have fought for this country and lost the physical ability to stand, to honor those who served and those who have died for this country, a veteran who has given everything, has given his or her life for the flag should be honored as such," Saad added.

Ben Hajciar is a 19-year-old who is the starting quarterback of the football club. He held similar sentiments to Saad on player protesting.

"I don't disagree with players protesting, but I disagree with protesting during the national anthem," Hajciar said. "I believe they can do it in several different ways, but during the anthem is disrespectful to many people who fought in wars and risked their lives for our country."

When asked about what their coaches said about protesting or if they had ever considered, they both emphasized that protesting was not in their or their team's DNA.

"Our coach emphasizes that we do whatever we wish to do in our hearts and express ourselves in anyway," Saad said. "With that being said, we agree as a team that is not something we will partake in."

"I have never considered protesting, not because I think it is wrong," Hajciar added. "I won't do it because I have had family, coaches and friends who have served, protected and brought freedom to our country."

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The Fencing Club likes to keep practices competitive to prepare for facing off against other universities.

Club sports team highlight: Fencing

Sadie Layher Staff Inern

The fencing club at Oakland University has a passionate president named Anastacia Maurer. This year, the team has had the largest amount of new players in comparison to previous years.

"We accept new members all year long, and no experience is necessary to join the club," Maurer said. "It is also completely free to try."

Though the club, like all other club sports, fundraises on its own, Oakland provides all of the equipment needed in order to compete. The fencing club, does a bowling event every year to raise money.

"We are saving up to buy a new strip to practice and compete on because there are so many new players this year," Maurer said.

There are currently two strips located inside the activity center on the first floor of the Recreation Center.

As for matches, in order to win one get be five touches on an opponent. Where those touches need to be located all depends on which weapon of the three fencers can choose from is used.

"For the epee the whole body is the target, foil just your torso is target, and for the sabre waist up is target," Maurer said. "Epee is more for old-fashioned dueling like you see in movies."

In regards to scoring for fencing, it is completely different than most other sports.

There is a body cord which connects the handle of the sword to the scoreboard; so the weapons are technically electric. When a person taps another, the touch is counted as a point and added to the scoreboard.

The fencing team practices twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

"We strive to have fun and have a fun atmosphere even outside of practice, like if we all go out for food or have game night," Maurer said.

She also tries to keep the practices competitive as well as fun so each season the club can get better and farther.

Getting better is important because plenty of other universities have their own teams. The title of Oakland fencing club's biggest rival between Michigan State University or the University of Michigan.

"The most fun to play would be Toledo because they are also a club team and we spend a lot of time fencing and having fun and goofing off," Maurer said.

The fencing club's first competition this season is on Nov. 5 at Case Western University. The competition will involve Michigan State University, the University of Michigan, the University of Toledo and Detroit Mercy. Club sports are unique and it's important to note that the students run them and are make their own executive decisions.

"Our club sports here are really active and we are really proud of all of our club sports" Maurer said. "We all do a lot and work really hard."

She highly encourages everyone to become a member of a club sport, even if it is not fencing because she thinks it is a really unique opportunity.

Profile: Krysteena Davis

Darcy Dulapa Staff Reporter

Seventh grade Krysteena Davis had dreams of playing a college sport. Little did that seventh grader know in a short six years she would be embarking on her collegiate journey while playing on a Division I volleyball team and proudly calling herself a Golden Grizzly.

Davis is a junior at Oakland University studying wellness, health promotion and injury prevention with a concentration in holistic medicine. She chose WHP because of her love for helping others ever since she was a little girl. Her passion for holistic medicine came around after she read a story about a man beating cancer by putting himself on a strict diet with no medications.

When Davis was little, she would watch her mom play beach volleyball and believes that is when her passion for the game first struck. The athleticism gene runs strong in the Davis family, as her dad played basketball at Calvin College and earned the title of All-American.

Oakland was Davis' first college visit. Although she did explore other options afterward, she was not impressed. Oakland had stolen her heart upon first sight and she is still happy with her choice four years later.

"I explored other options but I ultimately loved the coaching staff and the program's culture at Oakland the most," Davis said. "The first game I went to the entire Oakland swim team arrived to cheer them on along with multiple other sports and I loved that. The support system that athletes at Oakland give to other athletes was not something I saw at any other college I visited."

Sneaking up on her 10th anniversary with her one true love, volleyball, Davis has played one and only one position her entire life: middle hitter.

"I love being a middle because speed has always been my strength and it allows me to utilize it," Davis said.

Davis is most fond of the influential coaches she has crossed paths with during her time at Oakland. Davis explained that head coach Rob Beam's coaching style was one of the main factors in choosing Oakland.

"He is tough when he needs to be but he also cares more than any coach I've ever had the pleasure of playing for," sa-Davis said. "He makes you want to be a better player."

Giving credit to assistant coach Eric Lindstrom as well, Davis believes that if it were not for him, she would not be half the player she is today.

"He works with the middles and has



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Growing up in an athletic family, Davis was bound to play volleyball at a collegic level.

an extremely high volleyball IQ," Davis said. "He's also good for a laugh when you need one."

Davis was recently awarded Defensive Player of the Week for her blocking, which is one of her favorite achievements in volleyball thus far.

"Oakland's Volleyball program has grown so much since I started the recruiting process," Davis said. "The players before me set a great foundation, I just hope I can build off of that for future Golden Grizzlies."

When preparing herself to play at the collegiate level, she received doubt from many of her coaches. Putting that on the back-burner, she continued to work just as hard, if not harder, and because of that, she is living out her dream of playing volleyball at a collegiate level.

"Throughout the recruiting process I was told over and over that I wasn't tall enough and that I wouldn't play Division I volleyball," Davis said. "Being currently ranked seventh in the nation in total blocks is me making a statement to all of those coaches that didn't believe I could do it."

Her season goal is to win another Horizon League championship and send the seniors on the team out on a high note.

Krysteena's Picks & Chooses:

Cake or ice cream? Ice cream Chocolate or vanilla? Chocolate Hocus Pocus or Halloween Town?

Summer or winter? Summer Coke or Pepsi? Pepsi Team Edward or Team Jacob?

Halloween Town

Team Edward

Bridesmaids or 21 Jump Street? 21

Jump Street

Country music or Hip-Hop? Hip-Hop

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