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Iranian banner spurs clash with housing

By Chris Van Meter
Staff Writer

Dorm students from Vandenberg's fifth floor locked horns with housing last week when a banner hung from the fifth floor balcony reading "Send An Iranian Home 4 Xmas" was ordered down by Assistant Housing Director Marg Chapa.

Grievances of the involved fifth floor residents were summed up by one resident who said that "Miss Chapa's actions were an obvious violation on my freedom of expression."

The banner was hung by roommates Curt Hunt and John Runyan last Tuesday.

Chapa, ordering the banner down within an hour of its hanging, said that the banner was an "aggressive and hostile action toward the Iranian students on campus."

FOUR IRANIAN students live in OU's residence halls. According to Chapa there were no complaints about the banner from any of the Iranian students.

"University policy allows me to determine policy on this. If I view something in a public area as obscene or inappropriate I have the authority to have it removed," Chapa said.

Jack Wilson, Dean of Student Life, agreed with Chapa. "I do not believe that their constitutional rights were violated but I believe that what is being asked of them is fair and reasonable," he said. Wilson pointed out that under university policy, students are not allowed to use public buildings for political partisan purposes.

Wilson said that he would have provided a reasonable place and time for the students to make their statement had they gone through the proper university channels.

CHAPA AND Wilson both stressed that university policy does allow students to publically present political beliefs. Demonstration time will be given to any students who notify the appropriate university officials and a time and place provided.

"I'd love to see a demonstration on campus," said Chapa. "It would show me that students on campus are concerned and non-partisan."

Although no disciplinary action will be taken against the students, the issue has prompted them to question their constitutional and tenant rights as dorm residents.

Both Hunt and Runyan are pre-med majors who occupy room off the fifth floor balcony. After discussing the incident with Chapa they are still unhappy and dissatisfied with the university's explanation.

"THE UNIVERSITY is trying to enforce a 'don't make waves' policy," said Hunt. "Unless defended by students this problem will effectively stifle our expressions on any controversial topics...everything is censored except that of the most banal variety. It makes us look like a bunch of assholes."

Runyan said "We will look into other alternatives and avenues suggested by Marg Chapa to express our political interests."

Hunt and Runyan stress that they have "nothing against the Iranian students at OU. The banner was a national appeal."

Housing will sponsor an open forum on political issues and students' rights Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Vandenberg multi-purpose room.

Budget questioned

High bids stall married housing

By Jon McInnes
Staff Writer

Gloomy economic prospects caused the Board of Trustees to question next years university budget request, while the married student housing project remains stalled because contractors could not bid even close to the \$2.2 million estimated cost under the current inflation rate.

After considerable discussion, the Board approved the 1980-81 budget at their meeting Wednesday. The budget calls for a 29 percent increase over last year.

Trustee Marvin Katke objected to the inflated budget. Money is limited and the taxpayers are concerned with public budgets that are getting larger every year, he said. The State's departments are now facing the possibility of a 20 percent reduction in their budgets and salaries due to the pressures, he continued.

THERE IS inflation running next to a recession with the prediction of a depression, Trustee Alex Mair said. He asked where the money is going to come from when there are continual cutbacks in state aide. The university should do all that it can to help the economic situation, he said.

In the past ten years the state

legislature has decided how much of a budget increase it could give to the universities regardless of the budget requests, said former president O'Dowd, who was sitting in as a spectator to the meeting. If it was a six percent increase, he said, then it was a six percent increase to all the universities. The fiscal agency was the body that looked at the budget and decided which items, of the proposed budget, it could fund, O'Dowd said.

The budget lists the urgent needs of the university but they have never been fully funded, said Robert Swanson, vice-president for business affairs. The budget request is the most organized way to communicate these needs to the governor and the legislature, he said. A university can't add it's needs to the list later in the year, Swanson said.

"I DON'T know if we should decrease it (the budget) or let them (legislature) decrease it. If we let them decrease it, it makes them look good," Trustee Ken Morris said.

Mair said that perhaps it's better to deal from a position of strength and let someone else cut the budget.

The 1980-81 budget request was

amended by Interim President George Matthews so that next year's budget will be submitted to the Board earlier.

The trustees decided that understanding the budget of a major institution takes a long time. They reduced their demand for a presentation of the budget to a narrative to explain it. The 1980-81 budget now goes to the governor, and to the legislature for approval.

After extensive advertising in major newspapers and trade journals, only four contractors came forward to bid on the married student housing project. The lowest bid was \$500,000 over the estimated \$2.2 million the architects said it would cost to build.

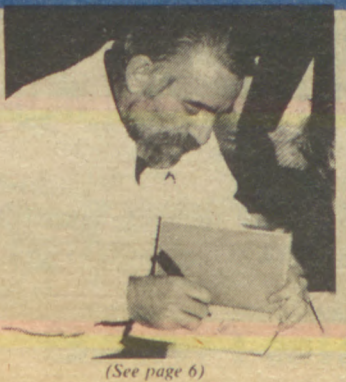
THE BOARD said that the difference between the estimated cost and the lowest bid would be passed on to the student renters in the form of higher rents. A lower bid would require structural changes in the project.

The married student housing blueprint will go back to the architects for design changes to reduce costs. Morris suggested re-advertising to see if any more contractors, besides the original four, will place a bid. "I have an

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Bomb scare threatens OU Iranians

Pajama clad residents of Vandenberg Hall were evacuated early Friday morning when a bomb scare threatening the lives of Iranian dorm students was received by public safety.

The caller warned of bombs planted in the University dorms where Iranian students lived. Vandenberg was evacuated at 6:40 a.m. and completely searched.

Oakland University Residence Halls house four Iranian students. One Iranian student lives in

Vandenberg hall.

Public Safety investigator Mel Gilroy said the caller was a female believed to be middle aged with a soft voice.

"An investigation is being conducted," said Gilroy. "But as with any phone call situation it's particularly difficult especially when you don't have a tape."

According to Gilroy this incident is not the first to threaten the lives of Iranian students at Oakland.

Approximately three weeks ago

Oakland Public Safety was notified by the Oakland County Sheriff's office who had received a call threatening all Iranians in the Oakland County area. According to Gilroy the caller warned that, "All Iranian students in Oakland County and particularly at Oakland University would be killed today."

Gilroy said that he "does not anticipate any more problems" and is "hoping the students have the sense to keep their shit together."

WINTER '80 REGISTRATION

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Fri. Jan. 18, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.*

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instinctive reaction to a closed bidder group," he said.

The university is also accepting energy conservation grants that are earmarked for Michigan

schools. The \$35,000 grants to improve energy conservation must be repaid, within three years.

It was reported that last year \$400,000 in energy was saved through better maintenance and

repairs. The university reported a 35 percent to 40 percent conservation on energy. "Now we are exchanging labor dollars for energy dollars," Swanson said.

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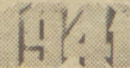
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Cheating at OU: some do, some don't

By Roberta Loesch
Staff Writer

The art of cheating is one that is regularly practiced by some, looked down upon by others, and occasionally tried by others in order to "Make the Grade" in school.

At Oakland University, many of the faculty members believe that cheating is a rare occurrence due to the type of testing and classroom practices. Professors still keep an eye out for it, and this term Manuel H. Pierson, the Dean of Student Services, and Vice President for Student Services, reports only seven cases, four of which were not guilty.

"Most of the cheating cases come from the Physical Sciences and Mathematics Departments," said Pierson.

DURING the period of September 1978 through April 1979, there were 25 cheating cases reported, and, out of those, 14 were determined guilty. Pierson said the average number of cases in a year is about 19, and any more than 25 could be called an



epidemic.

Donald Hildum, head of the Communications Arts Department, said he found only one instance of plagiarism in the last five years. Hildum gives mostly take-home, essay exams giving the students the option to work in groups on the questions.

If Hildum did encounter a cheater in his classes, he would

confront the student before consulting Pierson.

Professor Badie Farah, Management, also said he found few instances of cheating in his classes. His tests are composed of computational problems where the student must supply the calculations and not just answer. If Farah did find a cheater, he would also confront the student first.

PIERSON advises the professors to consult him first - before accusing the student - for the legal protection of the professor, in case the student presses charges.

Students reactions to questions about cheating were for the most part negative, and few attested to cheating themselves.

Carol Biallas, a Communications Arts major and office Manager in the Department of Chemistry, said, "The teachers are wising up to it."

Part of Biallas' job is to type up the professors exams. She notices many teachers are giving out short answer essay exams. If they do give multiple choice exams, they give three different exams to the same class to guard against cheating, she said.

MARK KOCHIS, a Communications Arts major, said, "Yes, I did cheat, and it would be a lie if I didn't admit it. But fortunately, I have restrained from such action in recent years for my own peace of mind."

Kochis felt that cheating could be compared to alcoholism because both the cheater and the alcoholic must face the truth about their actions and then reform totally, without letting themselves slip back into the habit again.

Another student, Kim Gryka, Communications Arts major, said, "I have never cheated and I think that cheating is the biggest crime that a student can do. They cheat themselves and other students and it makes me angry."

Gryka also said "I believe it is the professors responsibility to fight it in the classroom."

Adele Carraher, Speech-Communications major, said she hasn't seen cheating in her classrooms and doesn't cheat herself.

ANOTHER OU student said he did cheat and didn't feel guilty about it. He said he has never gotten caught.

If a student is caught cheating, then it is the professor's duty to present the evidence along with the names involved in the cheating to the Dean of Student Services. Upon doing so, Pierson will set up a hearing composed of at least five members and the professor will then inform the student of the accusations and the time of the hearing.

The members at the hearing are volunteers from a committee set up by the Student Services. The members are: faculty members - Peter Evarts, chairman; Jean Braun, Dolores Burdick, Robert Gaylor, Jerrold Grossman, Christopher Hollidya, and Ann Pagany; students members: Jeff Fournier, Mark Smith, and Larry Tomlinson; and Pierson.

The student, who can chose an adviser to accompany him or her, can refuse to answer questions at the hearing. The student may appeal the committee's final decision within ten days by a letter to the Steering Committee of the University Senate.

IN THE EVENT of guilty decision by the committee, the punishment, depending on the severity of the case, could be: 1) Academic disciplinary reprimand, 2) Academic disciplinary probation, 3) Academic disciplinary suspension and immediate readmission, 4) Academic disciplinary suspension, 5) Academic disciplinary dismissal, or 6) other actions that the committee deems appropriate.

Pierson said that in the nine years that he has been Vice President of Student Services there've been only three dismissals from OU due to cheating.

One student's reaction was "I've maybe looked at someone's paper, but I would never write down their answers."

To fill presidential post at CSU

Provost Obear may leave OU

By Gail DeGeorge
Managing Editor

More holes will appear in OU's administrative structure if Provost Frederick Obear is appointed to the position of president of California State University-Fresno.

Obear, who holds the positions of both vice-president for academic affairs and provost, is one of three final candidates for the presidency of the California school. The final decision should be made by the university's trustees on Dec. 11, said Bill Lehui, principle personnel analyst of CSU.

Robert Bersi, president of West Connecticut State University, and Harold Haak, chancellor of the University of Colorado-Denver, are also candidates. The Fresno campus is one of 19 in the CSU system, serving approximately 15,000 students out of 260,000 total who are enrolled in the university.

"IT'S AN IDEAL presidential position," said Lehui. The Fresno campus has a nice sports program, and is in a rich agricultural part of the state.

The presidential search process at CSU moves much faster than OU is anticipating for it's search, said Lehui. Norman Baxter, former CSU-Fresno president, announced his intention to resign in April, and the search process began in August. SCU presidents serve an average of five years, and with 19 campuses, a presidential search is a common process. Presidential searches take place about twice a year, and take an average of about four months to complete, he said.

OU is conducting a presidential search to fill the vacancy left by former president Donald O'Dowd, who accepted a position as vice-chancellor of the State University of New York.

Other key OU administrative positions remain vacant due to recent personnel changes. George Matthews left his position as vice-provost to take the interim presidency until OU chooses a new president. Ken Coffman, who held positions as vice-president for both student and campus affairs, left in June to assume the presidency of Spring Arbor College.

IF OBEAR is not selected as CSU-Fresno president, he may be under consideration for the campus at Chico, California. "When we first came across Fred Obear, he could have been selected for a position at any of the campuses," said Lehui. Currently there are presidential vacancies at both Fresno and Chico.

An attempt is made to "match" the candidate and the campus, but if a candidate is not selected for one position, there is no hesitation in considering them for another, said Lehui.

On the national scene

Iran: U.S. makes third shift this year

WASHINGTON D.C. (CPS) -- President Carter's request that all Iranian students in this country report to the nearest Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) office marks the third shift of administration policy toward Iranians here within the last year.

A violent January demonstration by Iranian students at the Beverly Hills home of Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi's sister, lead to then-Attorney General Griffin Bell's first threat to deport non-immigrant Iranians.

In the months that followed, the Dept. of Justice, which oversees the INS, almost regularly announced intensified programs to round up and deport "non-immigrant Iranians" who had violated the terms of their visas. In February, the INS speculated that nearly 70 percent of the 45,000-50,000 Iranian students in this country then were "out-of-status," and thus eligible to be deported.

SHORTLY, thereafter, the Shah of Iran was driven into exile, and while demonstrations against the new government of Prime Minister Shapour Bahktiar continued until the succession of Khomeini, they were not as frequent, large or violent as the demonstrations that had sparked Bell's January threat.

ADMINISTRATION policy, in fact, began to shift again in April, when the turmoil in Iran cut off the money supply for many students here. Most universities quietly began allowing Iranians more time in which to pay their bills. At one point, a mail shipment containing an estimated 4000 support checks for Iranian students was held up in Teheran by the new Khomeini regime.

At that point, the administration "quietly" re-opened negotiations with the new regime about the status of the Iranians studying here, according to a staffer with the House Foreign

Relations Committee. University administrators, according to the source, who requested anonymity, had begun to pressure the U.S. Office of Education "to do something about the money. (Iranians) were starting to amass a huge debt, and colleges got scared. The last thing they wanted was to have these kids deported before they could pay what they owed." The source estimated the debt "was in the millions."

Finally in September, the "intensified" interest in Iranians seemed to conclude when the INS announced a six-month moratorium on its deportation investigations. It gave the Iranians until June 30, 1980 to completely fulfill the conditions of their visas, and to allow them to get off-campus jobs without INS approval.

Carter's Nov. 10 announcement, though, erased the deadline.

Crime update

R.A. drops assault charges

The assault and battery charges against Mike O'Hagan, a junior, were dismissed in Rochester District Court, Nov. 9.

The charges, filed by Mark Ott, head resident of Hill House, stemmed from alleged threats and use of profane language by O'Hagan. The incident occurred during Ott's attempt to control an allegedly loud party Oct. 24, on the second floor of the dorm.

"I DROPPED the charges for my own reasons, of my own choosing," Ott said. "Mr. O'Hagan understands why the charges were dropped."

"I didn't feel the need to press the issue any further, a lot of time passed between the part and the court time," Ott said. "I think the individuals involved were made aware of what the ultimate consequences could be."

Dorm hold-up being investigated

Public Safety is investigating a hold-up that happened in Van Wagoner last month.

According to Public Safety Investigator Mel Gilroy, two black men who are believed to be non-students entered the dorm on the evening of Tuesday, November 13.

THEY walked into a room

asking where they could buy marijuana, then one pulled a pistol while the other searched the room, Gilroy said. They were reported to have taken \$150 and a half-ounce of pot.

Public Safety has a suspect from the descriptions given by the victims, but hasn't been able to locate him.

EDITORIAL

Are Iranians becoming American's scapegoat?

By Robert Anderson
Special to the Sail

I woke up one morning, rather groggy-eyed, went downstairs for breakfast to be confronted with -- violence inside my cereal bowl. Snap and Crackle were trying to stop Pop from drowning in the milk. There was a lot of commotion and noise, but slowly it all died down, and Snap, Crackle, and Pop all drowned in the milk. So, I ate them.

On television, I see this adorable puppy-dog running toward and smashing into a kitchen cabinet, seems as if he's chasing a chuck wagon of some sort. With a cat chow-chow-chowing to its Meow Mix on almost every station, I figured that I had enough. I looked over to the front page of my morning paper "Foreign Students Hold Americans Hostage For Twelve Days, Carter Considers Military Action." Just below, another caption reads, "College Campuses Protest for Action, Three Iranian Students Injured."

I guess the world couldn't be satisfied with violence remaining in cereal bowls. It had to spread to our television screens, onto the front pages of our newspapers, and cover the globe.

VIOLENCE can be like a group of students, who hold over forty prisoners hostage - it can offend, scare, and even demobilize the logical thought pattern of a whole country.

Senator George McGovern recently said that our country hasn't responded to any situation as "together" as the recent Iranian situation since World War II. And I guess he's right.

Letters fill our newspapers with suggestions of "military" action or war, college campuses begin to explode with anger toward "Iranians," and newspapers run articles like one in the *Oakland Press*: a front page lead news item which stated "Kids write: Stop Iranians."

ON THE surface, the result has not been too bad. We have been told that a cut in gasoline consumption would be good for the country, and approximately 4% of our supplies have been cut off by our own accord. We will have to curtail our consumption of pistachio nuts as Iran is our main supplier - but odds are we will survive this loss - and we have begun to see a return of spirit and unity that many thought we'd lost forever.

But to scratch this surface, and reach below the veneer puts forth a different picture.

Iranian students have been searched out for visa problems. Infractions of law result in their deportation. In some areas of the country Iranian students must travel in groups for safety. They serve as the brunt for jokes, and the blame for problems. They have played no part in the troubles created half a world away, but they are beginning to feel them.

The noise heard on college campuses throughout America are reminiscent of the same noises heard on German campuses about 45 years ago. The names change, to blame the innocent. 1934 saw German students blame Jews for the poor economy, and general poor health of the German state. Now in America we hear people blame the Arabs for the economy and the poor health of America in general. Khomeini took power in Iran, and it became easy to point a finger. When over forty people were held hostage in an American Embassy in Iran, threats and anger joined the finger-pointing, and the American people found a fitting scapegoat. The leaders of Iran are not as easy to put a finger on as individual people, so in America some have begun to put a finger on the easily identifiable Iranians who make their home in this country, and our guests from Iran.

IT SEEMED unbelievable enough when in Germany it began to happen to the Jews, is it so unbelievable that it could happen here in America to the Iranians?

It is a scary thing to have an embassy overrun, our reactions have made that fear apparent. We are a nation of people who ask, "What can we do?"

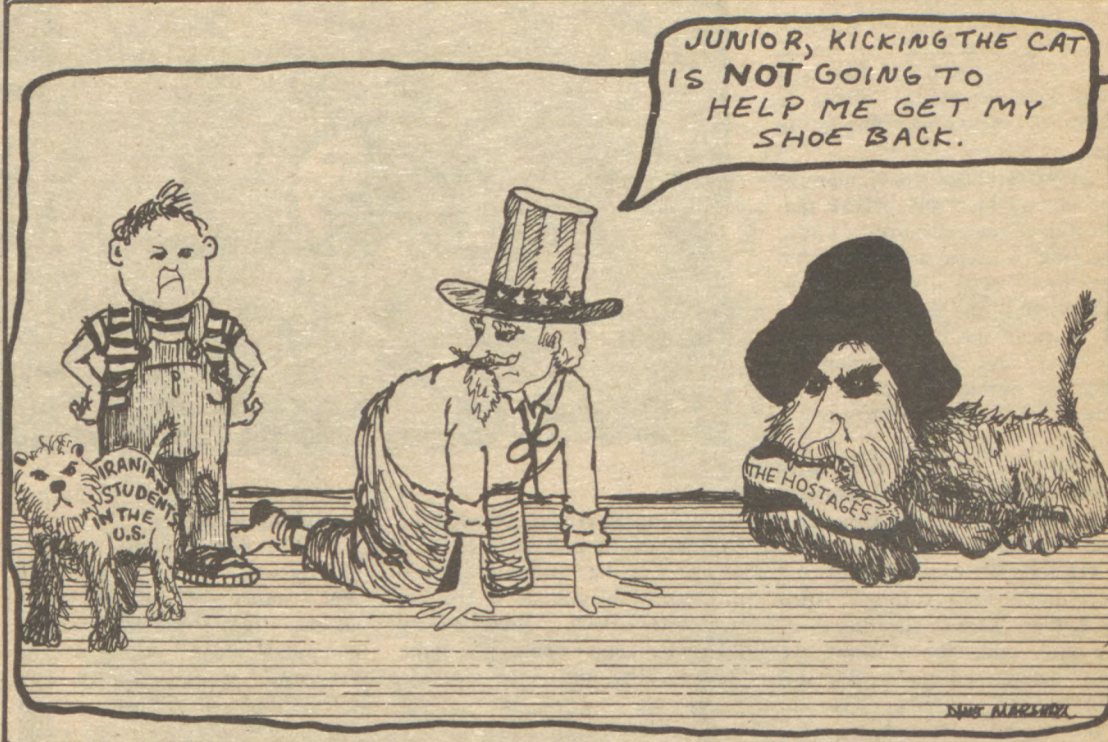
The simple answer would be to demand Action !!!

We can put all the Iranians into a big bowl one morning, and then pour on the milk!

Or we can act in the way that historically has made Americans proud to be American. Before we demand Action, we talk, and before we talk, we stop to think!

(Robert Anderson is chairperson of the Student Organization Advisory Committee and a member of the Sail board of directors.)

THE MARSHALL ARTS



Setting up a file assists employers

By Ron Kevern
Special to the Sail

This article will hope to define for the senior student interested in Career Advising and Placement the process of setting up a credential file and the values in doing so.

A credential file is your recommendation file. It most usually includes a self-prepared information sheet, a resume and faculty and employer references. Those materials are placed into a file within the Career Advising and Placement Office and the file is maintained so that when you are ready to use it, there is no delay.

Many persons use this file for information to provide to employers regarding their academic and work performance. The file may include recommendations from professors within your academic major as well as from administrators on the campus. The file may also contain letters of recommendations from employers and most seniors do prefer having a letter from employers included within the file. Following graduation from Oakland University these letters are maintained within a file and alumni may add to the file as their years progress.

STUDENTS REQUESTING to have faculty references placed within the placement file will be required to sign a statement that



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provides access to the file or a waiver of rights. This statement must be signed prior to the time that the recommendation form is given to the recommender. Students wishing to be able to read the recommendation would sign the access, however, it is important to know that some employers as well as recommenders prefer the waiver to be signed.

Once the placement file, (credential file) is complete, persons may use the file in a number of ways. Employers recruiting on the campus are able to review the credential file with the signed permission of the student involved. A statement providing that permission is provided when one complete the materials for the file. A student may request graduate school etc. and for a nominal fee the file will be sent within 48 hours.

Many students at Oakland University take advantage of the credential services provided by the Career Advising and Placement Office. Remember, it is much easier to build the file while you are on campus than some weeks later when you are away and that professor that you had hoped might write a recommendation for you is on sabbatical.

(Ron Kevern is the director of Career Advising and Placement, and the assistant dean of Student Services.)

LETTERS

The Oakland Sail welcomes letters from readers. Each letter must include the writer's signature, though your name may be withheld for adequate cause. A letter is most likely to be published when it is legible and concise and when it supplies the reasons behind the viewpoint. All letters are subject to editing for space and clarity. Address: Editor, The Oakland Sail, 36 O.C., Rochester, MI 48063.

Thank-you

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank all of the students who gave their time and talents in making my election as University Congress President possible.

I am excited over the interest of the many students who voted. I also feel that the elected Congress has great potential.

Many of us are hard at work already, before our term begins, organizing and staffing, so come January we are on our feet and moving.

I also thank the many students who overwhelming supported the Student Activities fee referendum. This is a sign of advancement in all areas of student involvement at Oakland University.

Sincerely,

Gary C. McMahan
University Congress President-elect

Attention:

This week the Sail will be distributing surveys to all dorm residences. The purpose of these surveys will be to determine the actual amount of crime occurring on campus. By crime, we mean any petty larcenies, i.e. stolen laundry etc., major thefts or assaults. We would appreciate your cooperation in filling out these forms. A drop-off box will be placed on either exit of the Vandenberg cafeteria. Surveys must be submitted by Friday Dec. 7 at 12 noon.

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FEATURES

Reflections of a Holiday



A Wiseman-Big as Life

MBH dresses up for a celebration

By Dan Fink
Features Editor

More than two dozen Christmas trees, hundreds of Poinsettias, packages and manger scenes filled OU's magnificent mansion in celebration of *A Golden Christmas* at Meadow Brook Hall.

This Christmas tour, the Hall's ninth, centered on the mansion's 50th anniversary and was opened from Nov. 28 to Dec. 2. It also celebrated the 1979 official designation of MBH as a national historic site.

MEADOW BROOK HALL, completed in 1929, was opened as a conference and cultural center of OU in 1971.

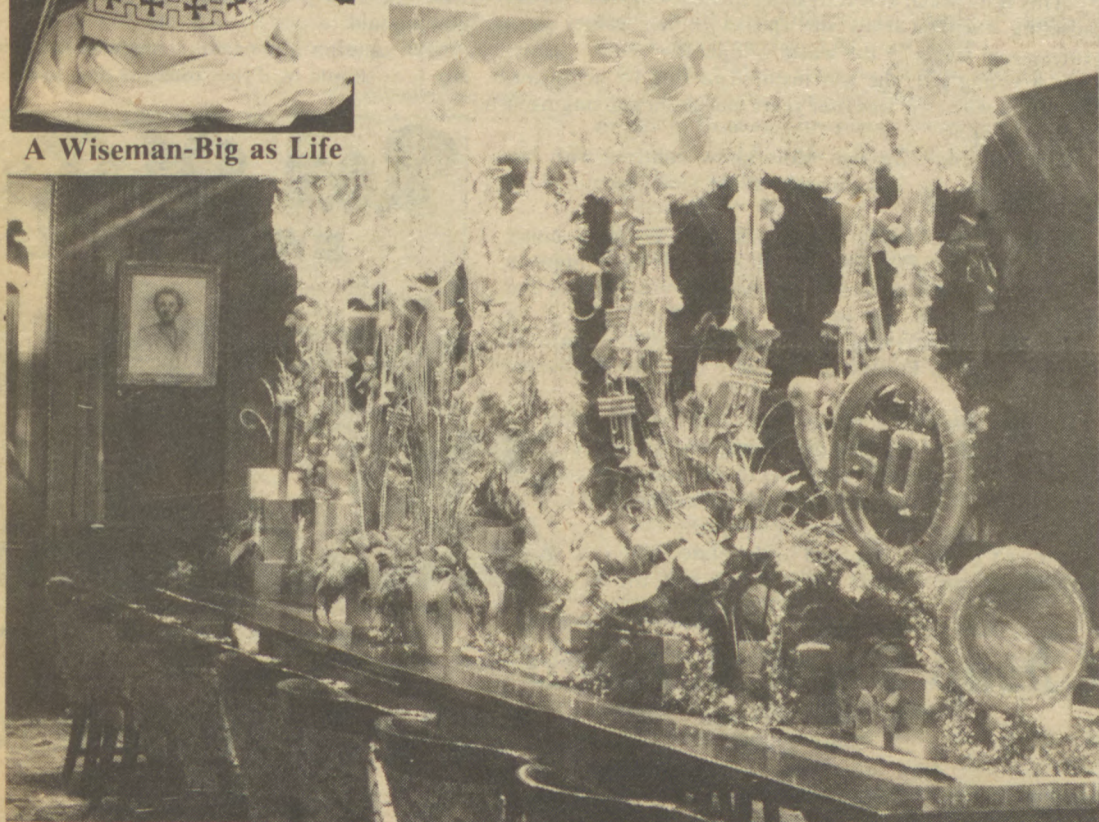
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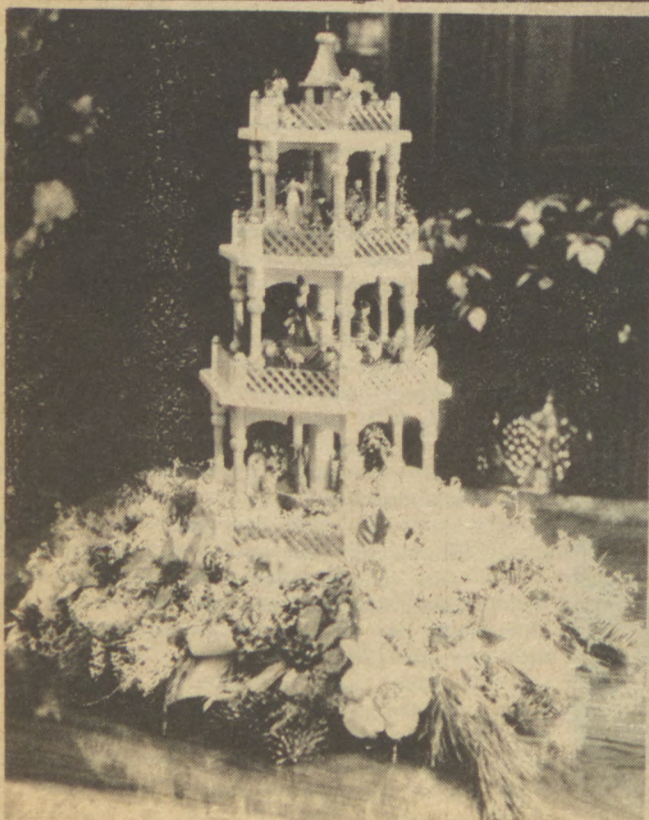
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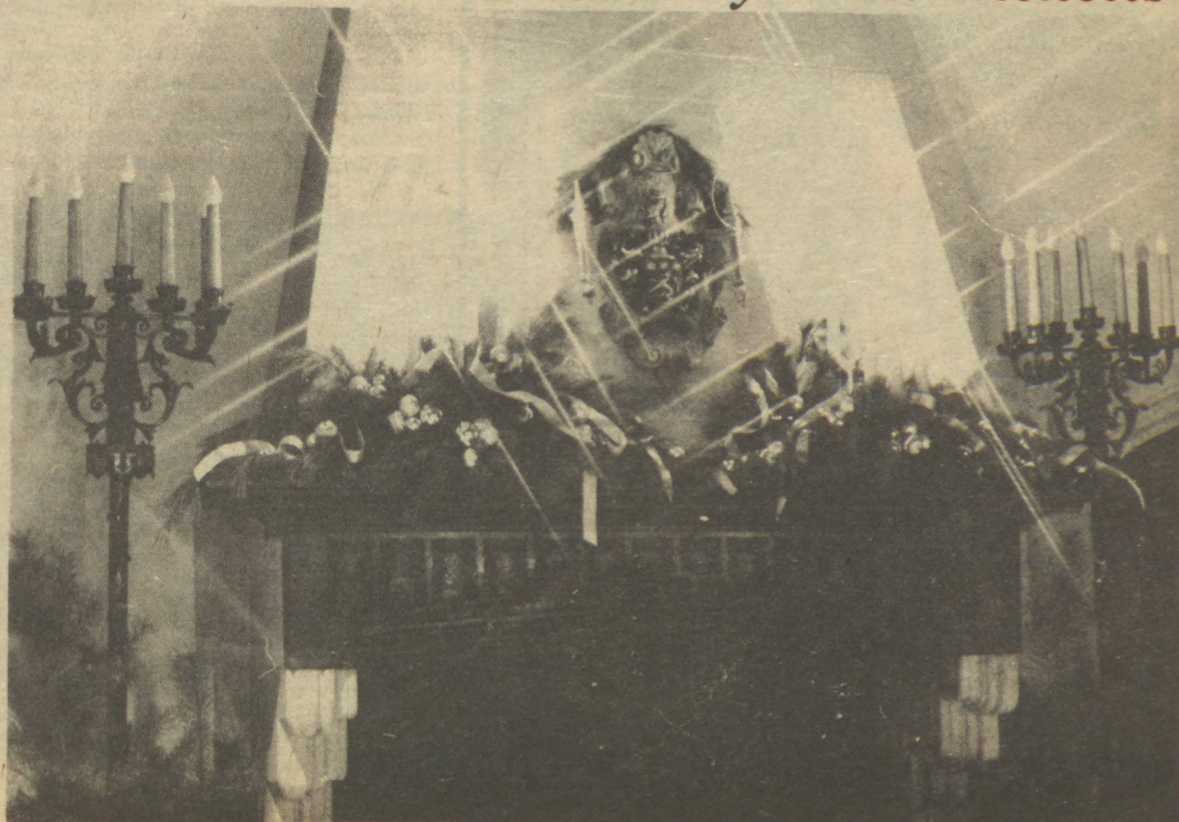


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Highrise Christmas Scene

Yuletide Warmth



ASK THEM WHY



Ask a Peace Corps volunteer why he teaches business marketing techniques to vegetable farmers in Costa Rica. Ask a VISTA volunteer why she organizes the rural poor in Arkansas to set-up food co-ops. They'll probably say they want to help people, want to use their skills, be involved in social change, maybe travel, learn a new language or experience another culture. Ask them:

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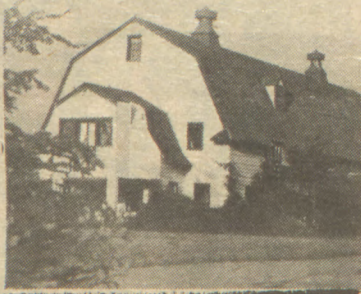
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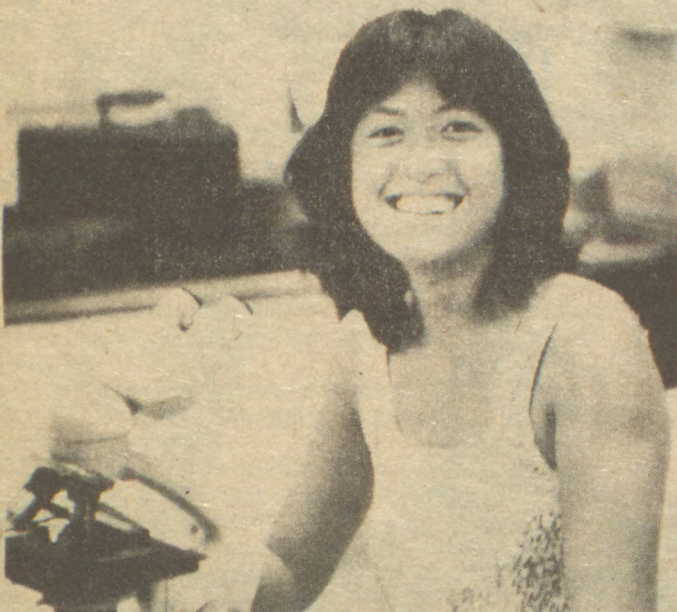
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OPERA: Jan Albright, Oakland's Opera teacher.
(Photo by Matt Ricketts)

Opera inspires OU professor

By Roberta Loesch
Staff Writer

"I expect nothing and I expect everything from the students...they are very special and really want to learn," said Jan Albright, the petite, opera teacher on Oakland's staff.

Albright's enthusiasm for opera and her work with the students is a special and refreshing quality. One can feel the pulsating excitement as she speaks of her career as a professional singer in the world of opera.

As a young girl, she was inspired to sing by her sister, Mary, and when she was four years old, she began singing in front of people.

Although she won two radio show contests with her talent, she felt the music world was far too competitive for her as a singer.

AFTER COLLEGE, Albright started teaching music appreciation to high schoolers. But again she encountered a problem, for the students didn't share her enthusiasm, and she knew her work was in vain.

Shortly after marrying, she and her husband, then an army captain, went to Europe it was there that Jan discovered opera.

Her eyes sparkled in remembrance of the days when she and her husband sang with the Germans at the folk fests and churches. The Germans taught her to love and appreciate the opera as much as they did. In disbelief, she listened as they encouraged her to begin singing opera.

It wasn't until she returned to the States, when she spoke with Vera Scammon, an opera singer with the New York

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Cheap Trick not bad

By Joseph Newman
Staff Writer

After their *Live At Budokan* album went double-platinum, Cheap Trick is at it again with their latest studio release *Dream Police*.

Cheap Trick consists of four "mad rockers" from Chicago who play their blend of very tight, unsophisticated heavy metal.

The band had released three albums prior to the live album. They were, *Cheap Trick*, *In Color (and Black and White)*, and *Heaven Tonight*.

Cheap Trick developed a cult-like following from their first three albums which continued through their live album.

The band is led by the zany lead guitarist, Rick Nielson, who resembles the character "Satch" of the old Bowery Boys flicks. Nielson has always been the creative force behind Cheap Trick and the new album is no exception.

Nielson wrote nearly everything on the album including the title track *Dream Police* which is constantly being played on the radio.

Gonna Raise Hell is another rocker written by Nielson and growing in popularity.

The House Is Rockin' is a song that Nielson wrote along with the band's bass player Tom Petersson. It is probably the best song on *Dream Police* even though none of the songs on the album can be called vintage Cheap Trick material.

Dream Police is not a bad album if you accept Cheap Trick for what they are. In the future however, they will have to do much better work to maintain their popularity.

The album lacks a super song like *Surrender* which might have made it more than mediocre.

Robin Zander's lead vocals are still harmonizing into the band's music quite well.

Bun E. Carlos is still a very underrated drummer—partly due to his bizarre appearance which overshadows his excellent drum chops.

Dream Police is an honest attempt that can't miss for Cheap Trick but the band is capable of much better music.

Poet relates

By Karin Chappell
and
Pat Mastalier
Staff Writers

He had the look of an old sea dog as he hobbled in with his black cane, he wore blue jeans and old-fashioned black sneakers. As he quietly spoke, the lines of loneliness were painted into his forehead: his raspy voice was one often dreamt of.

He is Rod McKuen, America's best-selling poet. He inspired would-be poets, loners and businessmen at Wednesday's noon poetry reading in the Fireside Lounge at OU.

His poetry reading was opened with his relationship to the elements - the sea, the earth and the sky. His latest book *We Touch the Sky* is the conclusion to a trilogy.

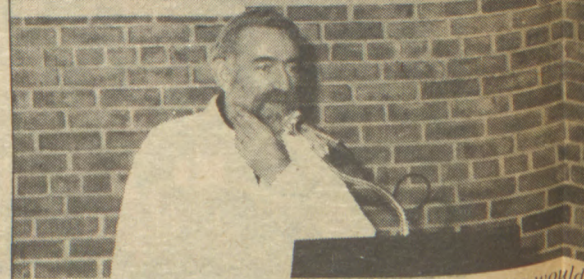
He read memorials written for his dearest friends with his hand slung in his pocket, and his love and loneliness projected throughout the lounge. Much more than loneliness exists in his works: love of life and of mankind, thoughts on crime and punishment, and his idea of death. Both he and his poetry are more than the "loner" most people picture them as.

"It's a very popular misconception. My poetry is centered on the human condition. I'm very concerned about the human condition and am particularly concerned about people's difficulties in communicating with each other," McKuen said.

McKuen, 46, considers himself a member of the family of man. "I think everyone has a purpose in life or should have. I haven't even begun to fill my purpose; I have a long way to go," he said.

"I'm nothing more than a communicator like everyone else is or should be if they took the time to do so," McKuen

Rod McKuen
award winning



BEST-SELLING POET: Rod McKuen speaks to would be poets, loners and businessmen in the fireside lounge.
(Photo by Brian Kaufmann)

OU offers degree f

By Jill Dennis
Staff Writer

The Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) could be a potentially satisfying degree for the OU student without a specified, available major in mind.

The BGS is a degree easily tailored to an individual's preferences and needs, said Elaine Chapman-Moore, coordinator of field services.

There are no required courses for the degree. However, each applicant must have a plan of work outlined, meet learning skills requirements, take 32 credits in the 300-400 level, and complete at least 32 credit hours at OU, said Chapman-Moore.

PROSPECTIVE BGS students must prepare rationale, a personal program of work in the form of a one to three page paper stating their personal goals and reasons for choosing the program.

A BGS counselor under Chapman-Moore's direction refers interested students to specific faculty advisors. Advising services in this department seem to be some of the best available.

The BGS advising system is very personalized, Chapman-Moore said. The advisor is presented with the plan of work/rationale, and an advisory committee containing administrators, faculty and the advisor review the work plan. All credits are approved and signed for in order to protect the student.

Many students "major" in BGS and concentrate in another area to make themselves more attractive in the job market.

357 students are currently working for the BGS. Since the program originated in 1975, 108 BGS students have graduated.

THERE ARE SEVERAL types of students who pursue the degree. One is the person who wants a Bachelor's degree

tes to nature

said. When he spoke of being a communicator, McKuen twisted his hands in his lap and delivered his thoughts in a slow deliberate cadence, so not a thought would be lost or missed.

He is more than a poet; he writes operas, composes symphonies and scores movies as he did for *Joanna*, *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie*, *Summertime*, and *A Boy Named Charlie Brown*.

McKuen feels like he is just beginning his life. "I've a long way to go to create things that are left in me. I'm not yet doing what I want; I feel like I've just been born as far as my work and what I want to do," said McKuen, very eager to appear in films as long as it isn't his autobiography.

LEANING on his elbow, McKuen said "The biggest struggle I had in my life was losing my mother and the transition to the search for my father," he said.

When McKuen wrote his book on the search for his father, there was only one state in the Union where it was not against the law to shred or burn birth certificates. The search for his biological father was successful to a certain degree, but only in the sense of knowing where he came from. The place was a cemetery and the name on the tombstone was the only acknowledgement from his father.

Reflecting on his own situation, McKuen felt that adopted children, more than anyone else, should know their roots.

Children, according to McKuen, should know they are adopted to avoid the lies and the misfortune of having someone else disclose their birth origins. "If you start lying to them in the beginning they're going to wonder where and when the lies start and where they stop. It's important to know where you came from."

WELL OVER 90 percent of those in prisons who commit crimes against society, have no idea of their backgrounds, he said. McKuen blames their condition on the fact that they do not know their roots.

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REFLECTIONS: America's favorite poet takes time out from his busy day to talk to reporters.
(Photo by Brian Kaufmann)

ee for the undecided

for their own personal satisfaction.

"Maybe they married right out of high school and are now in a position to go to college as they've always wanted to," said Chapman-Moore. These students are usually women.

A worker who cannot get a promotion without a bachelor's is another common candidate. These people can concentrate on areas of their own interest when a specific degree is not required by their employer.

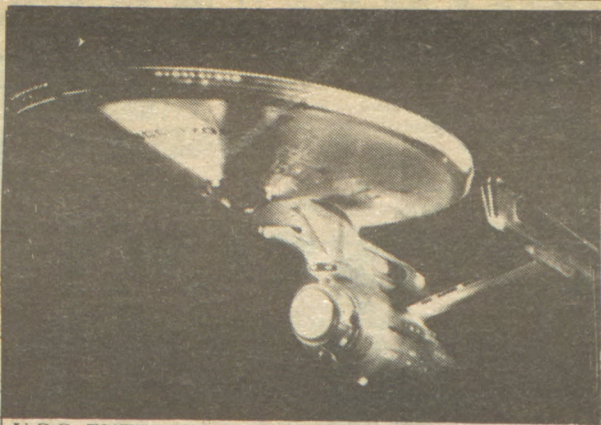
Others wish to complete a course of study to prepare them for a particular future position when traditional majors do not offer exactly what they need. A photographer interested in working in a hospital setting, may become more skilled and knowledgeable through the BGS degree.

The BGS degree may be applicable for pre-law students, said Chapman-Moore. Many law schools do not require that students be prepared by anything other than simply a bachelor's degree. Checking with the law school in question is the best way to find out.

STUDENTS INTERESTED in management, but not necessarily in a study format so strong on mathematics and economics might be eligible for BGS. They could adopt a concentration in management or Human Resources Development said Chapman-Moore.

A particular attraction of this degree is the *Two plus Two* program which is an agreement with area community colleges to allow all credits from an Associate's Degree to transfer to OU. The student then is responsible for completing the final 62 credits at OU.

This would be particularly valuable for people with Associate Degrees in specific areas, such as Executive Secretarial Studies, Industrial Technology, Auto Body Design, Applied Technology, Electricians, and Real Estate Science. Chapman-Moore said the program recognizes the maximum number of credits for all transfer students.



U.S.S. ENTERPRISE: The starship is ordered back into service against an unknown and awesome intruder.

Spock returns with Star Trek

By Dan Fink
Features Editor

To explore strange new worlds, to seek out new life and new civilizations, to boldly go where no man has gone before.

The U.S.S. Starship Enterprise is once again on its mission under the command of Captain James T. Kirk (William Shatner) in *Star Trek--The Motion Picture*, a Paramount Picture release, is a Gene Roddenberry Production of a Robert Wise film.

THE STARS of the *Star Trek* TV series return aboard ship. Leonard Nimoy returns as Mr. Spock, the half-human, half-Vulcan First Officer. Dr. Leonard "Bones" McCoy is once again played by DeForest Kelley.

Stephen Collins stars as Commander Willard Decker. Persis Khambatta, formerly Miss India, plays Ilia, an exotic navigator from another planet. Montgomery "Scotty" Scott is again played by James Doohan. George Takei returns to his role as Sulu.

Three years ago the work began on *Star Trek--The Motion Picture*. The hundreds of artisans involved had a mission: to explore strange new special effects, to seek out new music and costumes, to boldly film what no man had filmed before.

The movie is said to have been meticulously crafted to whirl the viewers into that breathless excursion through uncharted space.

NBC STARTED the *Star Trek* TV series and Trekkies--the over zealous Star Trek fans--13 years ago. The Trekkies became vocal when NBC decided to end the series. A letter-writing campaign was started and the series stayed on the air for two more years.

Since its last season in 1969, *Star Trek* has been seen in syndicated re-run after re-run in 52 countries. Its loyal followers are estimated to be as high as 10,000,000.

Star Trek--The Motion Picture shows the Enterprise refitted with the finest weapons in the starfleet. It is ordered back into immediate service and Kirk is asked to resume command to meet a fierce enemy.

The talents behind *Star Trek--The Motion Picture* are many.

ROBERT WISE, director, won Academy Awards as Best Director and Producer of the Year for both *West Side Story* and *The Sound of Music*. He was also the recipient of the Irving G. Thalberg Award.

Gene Roddenberry, producer, created and produced the original *Star Trek* TV series.

Robert Fletcher designed the costumes and created many of the dozen different alien types. He was assisted by make-up artist Fred Phillips. Fletcher came up with many of the 'aliens' names: Kazarites, Arcturians, Rigellians, K'normians, Zaranites and Aamazaries.



RENDEZVOUS: Persis Khambatta leads (left to right) Leonard Nimoy, Stephen Collins, William Shatner and DeForest Kelley to meet with a mysterious alien force.



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HARBINGER DANCE COMPANY at Detroit Public Library's Universe of Dance, 3 pm, free, DEC. 9

EXHIBITS

AT CRANBROOK DETROIT ARTISTS, works of more than twenty Detroit artists, THRU JAN 20

POPE JOHN PAUL II: A PHOTO REMINISCENCE, photographs of the pope in Poland, Italy and USA, Adam Strohm Hall, Detroit Public Library, THRU DEC 29

PACIFIC PASSAGE, exhibit spanning more than 700 years of Far Eastern art history, Detroit Institute of Arts, Tues-Sun 9:30 am-5:30 pm, 833-1718, THRU APRIL 13

HOLOGRAPHY EXHIBIT & SALE, Attic Gallery in the lobby of the Attic Theatre, 2-8 pm Tues-Sun, free, DEC 7 THRU JAN 19.

FILM

•**MILESTONES FOR MICKEY**, cartoon, Art Lounge, noon, DEC. 4
•**EAST MEETS WEST**, Exhibit Cunge, 10 am, DEC. 5

•**THE MAGICIAN AND HEARTS OF AGE**, 3 & 7 pm, 201 DH, \$1, DEC 9
•**AMERICA—GONEWEST**, Detroit Public Library, 1:30 pm, DEC 3

LECTURES

•**ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLES**, Fireside Lounge, noon, DEC. 5

MUSIC

SAVOY BROWN, Center Stage, 455-3010, \$6, 9 p.m., DEC 5

NOEL POINTER, Royal Oak Music Theatre, 547-1555, \$8.50, 7:30 p.m., DEC 8

•**O.U. CHORUS** Christmas concert, Varner Recital Hall, 8 p.m., DEC 5

•**MEADOW BROOK ESTATE CHRISTMAS SHOW**, Varner Recital Hall, 8 p.m., for ticket information call 377-2000, DEC 7-8

THE JILLS FROM ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL, noontime concert, Detroit Public Library, 12:15 p.m., DEC 4

LYMAN WOODARD ORGANIZATION WITH THE PRISMATIC BAND, Michigan Theatre in Ann Arbor, 8 pm, \$6.50, sponsored by the United Marijuana Smokers of Michigan, DEC. 7.

WOLF PAUL AND FIDDLER ROB, Paul sings contemporary folk and pop selections, accompanied by his guitar and Bob Taylors unique fiddle style, Cripple Creek Sandwich Theatre, 645-1173, 8 p.m., \$1.50, DEC 9
MIKE AND BARBARA SMITH, Raven, DEC 9



BEN VEREEN, singing and dancing at the Music Hall Center, 963-7680, Tues-Fri 8:30 p.m., Sat 7 & 10 p.m., Sun 4 & 8 p.m., \$6.50 to \$14.50, THRU DEC 9

THEATRE

•**FOR COLORED GIRLS WHO'VE CONSIDERED SUICIDE WHEN THE RAINBOW IS ENUF**, musical drama by McCree Theatre, Varner Recital Hall, 8:15 p.m., Dec 3

TREASURE ISLAND, childhood classic presented by the Greenfield Village Players, Henry Ford Museum Theatre, 2 p.m., \$2, DEC 8

CHAPTER TWO, Neil Simon's personal account of a writer whose adored wife has died and he almost immediately falls in love with and marries a young actress, Fisher Theatre, DEC 4-JAN 5

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM, Attic Theatre, 963-7789, Thurs, Fri, Sun at 8 pm, Sat at 6 & 9 pm, \$6 on Fri and Sat, \$5 Thurs and Sun, DEC 7 THRU JAN 19.

TOURS

CHRISTMAS IN GREENFIELD VILLAGE, carolers, the aroma of Christmas cooking in authentic kitchens and yuletide decorations spanning 300 years, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sat, Sun and holidays, \$3.75 adults, \$1.75 children 6-12, THRU DEC 31

CRANBROOK ACADEMY OF ART MUSEUM, 500 Lome Pine, Tues-Sun, 1-5 p.m., \$1.50, 645-3312

CHRISTMAS IN HENRY FORD MUSEUM, theme of crafts at Christmas and using antiques in table decorations, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. on Sat, Sun, and holidays, \$3.75 adults, \$1.75 for children 6-12, THRU DEC 31

CH. 56 HIGHLIGHTS

DETROIT BLACK JOURNAL will examine the new black Republicans and the upcoming 1980 presidential election, 10:30 pm DEC 7

SATCHMO, an affectionate look at one of America's most beloved musicians, Louis Armstrong, 8 pm, DEC 6.

THE ELLA FITZGERALD SONG-BOOK, Ella hosts her own special and performs her most memorable songs, 10 pm, DEC. 6

MUSICAL COMEDY TONIGHT, highlighting scenes of some of America's greatest musical plays, 10 pm, DEC 8

BIG BAND BASH, three hours of swing music with Count Basie, Woody Herman and others, 11:30 pm, DEC. 8

THE BRIDGE THAT SPANNED THE WORLD—NOVA, traces the development of ironmaking and its effects on society and the world economy, 8 pm, DEC 4.

THE COSTEAU ODYSSEY: THE NILE, Capt. Jacques Cousteau returns to public television with a two-part study of the mighty Nile River, 8 pm, DEC. 10

Poet

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McKuen's belief in the fortitude of life has been transferred to his relationship with his son Jean-Marc, who lives in France with his mother and step-father. McKuen has remained close to his son through the years. "We have a father-son relationship," he said.

McKuen's private life is revealed through his poetry and he shares more of his life than any other poet. "My life is pretty transparent," he said. However McKuen values his privacy highly. "It's lovely to come home and not have anyone know where your home is. It's important to preserve your privacy of your day-to-day life in order to preserve your faculties."

Recently both of his legs were broken—one in 26 places, the other

in three places during an attempt to leap over a wall and startle his brother.

Rather than the predicted six months in the hospital, McKuen spent 10 days.

His strength and determination have also enabled him to overcome his fear of heights and acquire a new hobby-hot air ballooning. "Once I conquered my fear of heights in the biplane, I always wanted to go up in a balloon. It is the closest you can get to an interview with God," he said.

"I believe in God very strongly. In Iran we have man who considers himself a holy man who tries people and executes them in the same day. He considers this an act of God. I do not consider this an act of God. I don't consider the

taking of the life of an animal or a human an act of God. I consider it, in every way, against all the rules of God," McKuen said.

HIS belief in God is not his only inspiration. "Anything you believe in inspires you to write. Believing in yourself, believing in someone else, believing good things for people and believing in a better world and strength of individuals and courage inspire me to write," he said.

"I don't like to moralize in my poetry. There's no one lesson or philosophy or thought in them," he said.

McKuen's thoughts were not fully projected during his short poetry reading. The audience was disappointed with only 20 minutes of his readings, but were content to receive his autograph.

Albright

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City Opera, that Albright realized the opera was for her. Scammon began tutoring her, and it wasn't long before she was entered into a competition at Indiana University in *Lauretta and Gianni-Schicci*.

After one morsel of the opera, her mouth began watering for more. She then received offers from opera companies in both New York and Chicago.

Due to her husband's career in finance, they returned to Detroit and turned down those offers.

In 1969, her love of the opera was spurred on, after meeting a man, who is now the head of the

Michigan Opera Theatre in Detroit. He got her started traveling from community to community presenting excerpts from the opera. Needless to say, she was a success.

Then in 1971, the Michigan Opera Theatre received a grant to become part of Opera America, a professional company, and moved into Music Hall. From that point on, she's been a part of Opera America, and has sung as a professional with every orchestra in the area.

Last month, she did a Puccini opera, *La Boheme*. "I've done most of the roles that I've wanted

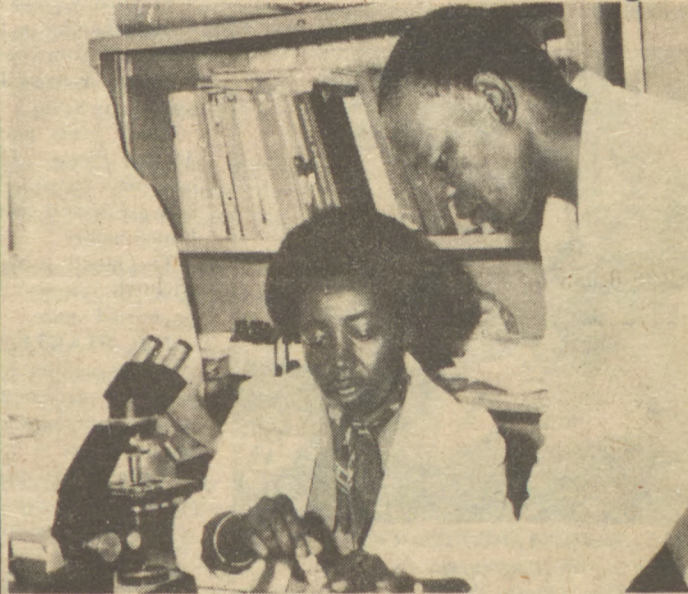
to do," she exclaimed.

FIVE YEARS ago, Oakland University captured Albright, and she's been hooked ever since.

She reels with excitement at the mention of her students, "because the kids out here really want to learn their craft...this is what I want, and that's why I'm here," she said.

"It's the most exhilarating feeling...and my students are all very special and all serious," she said.

Ask Them Why



Ask a Peace Corps volunteer why she works as a hospital lab technician in Botswana, Africa. Ask a **VISTA** volunteer why he works in Minnesota helping low-income senior citizens start a non-profit pharmacy. They'll probably say they want to help people, want to use their skills, travel, maybe learn a new language and live in another culture. Ask them:

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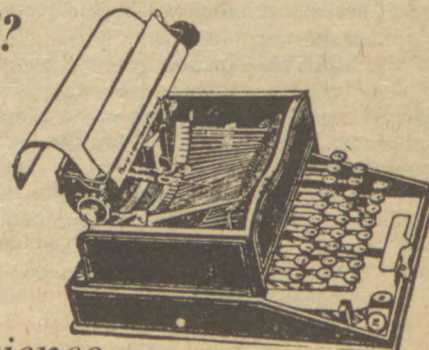
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SPORTS

Tough schedule ahead

Youth is key for cagers

Joe Paglino
Sports Writer

If you come to the Lepley Sports Center to watch the 1979-80 OU women's basketball team, you'll see plenty of new faces vying for starting positions in hopes of bringing the cagers a league championship.

This year's roster lists eleven freshmen, two sophomores, one junior and one senior.

OU's lone senior is All-American Helen Shereda, a 6-0 center from Free Soil, Michigan.

"WE'RE LOOKING FOR Helen to do some great things this year," said coach Swidzinski.

If Shereda performs like she has done in the past, she'll have some great things to offer this year.

Last year Shereda was selected to the Kodak All-Regional team and was picked for the All-Michigan College Basketball Squad. She has also been a first team selection in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference for the passed three years.

The cagers only junior on the squad is Kellie Kossek, a former all stater from Regina High School. Kossek was plagued by injuries last year which limited her playing time. This year should be a different story for the hard-working guard.

Returning at forward is sophomore Beth Brunn, a 5-8 state

high jump champion out of Utica who saw plenty of playing time as a freshman.

Coach Swidzinski has never had a losing season at OU, while compiling a 47-27 record in her first three years.

ENTERING HER fourth year coach Swidzinski is a "very pleased" with her crop of new talent. The eleven freshmen are the result of what coach Swidzinski calls, "the best recruiting year in the state."

Heading the list of newcomers is Linda Krawford a 5-10 center-forward from Detroit.

"She has great potential and could be one of the best players to ever come out of Oakland," added coach Swidzinski.

ANOTHER TOP recruit is 5-11 Teresa Vondrasek from Owosso, Michigan. Vondrasek, a National judo champion, is a very strong physical type player who will see plenty of playing time at the pivot or power forward position this year.

Also high on coach Swidzinski's list are two high school All-State guards in Kelly Kenny (Utica) and Anne Kish (Bloomfield Hills).

One of the newcomers that wasn't recruited but has caught praise from coach Swidzinski is freshman walk-on Cordella Donner, a 6-0 center from Highland Park High School.

Coach Swidzinski is also impressed with Lynda Axsom, a 5-8 guard-forward from Lake Orion.

"Lynda is coming off a knee injury and I'm very excited that she's coming back."

One of the 12 newcomers, sophomore Denise Moore, should contribute this year along with the freshman corp of Teresa Gonda, Cathy McKinney, Shawn Fisher, Gail Burger and Connie Jordan.

Coach Swidzinski thinks the team will improve on last year's 16-16 mark. "This years team will be stronger and have more balance," said coach Swidzinski. "We will use our height to the fullest advantage."

OU hopes to battle for first place in the league but will first face some of the best teams in the country.

"THIS IS the toughest schedule we've had since I've been here," said Swidzinski. "We look for the toughest competition we can get exposed to."

The schedule proves that point as their first four home games are against Western Michigan, Central Michigan, University of Michigan and Cleveland State.

Then the Pioneers go on to the University of Las Vegas-Nevada Invitational Tournament where they'll meet the likes of Baylor and Las Vegas, both rated in the top 20.

"This trip gives us a chance to compare ourselves with the rest of



UP AND IN: Connie Jordan goes up for the score in preparation for OU's opener against Western Michigan. (Photo by Matt Ricketts)

the nation," said coach Swidzinski. "it will help us gain a better perspective and realistic appraisal of ourselves."

"We're where we could be at this

point. The kids are working hard, looking good and attitude is positive," said coach Swidzinski. "We'll take each game one at a time."



Rock's KORNER

Spirit lacking at OU

What is it that you do that makes you happy? Is it something that occurs in your day to day life that pleases you? If not, maybe it's just some things that naturally disgust you.

I recently proposed two questions to the men's varsity basketball team. What is the most positive thing that you can say about Oakland athletics with basketball in general? And then your most negative views?

POSITIVE/NEGATIVE

Don Young (FR) - growing program/ haven't been here long enough to say anything negative.

Rich Brauer (JR) - OU's new sports information director (Greg Smith)/ commuter involvement in sports.

K.C. Forward (JR) - interaction between athletic teams / spirit in all aspects.

Mark Mendez (JR) - the coaches and the organization / fan support.

Pill Peterson (SOPH) - interaction between players / commuter support.

Bjorn Rossow (SR) - sports information director/fan support.

Dan Rawlings (JR) - being able to playball/the firing of coached; here today, gone tomorrow.

Dennis Hammond (SOPH) - the programs growth and if it goes big time, the opportunity to be part of it / fan support could be better.

Wally Plese (JR) - less pressure so it's a lot more fun / nothing.

Les Thomas (JR) - organization and constructiveness / no tradition but it's understandable since the school is so young.

ONE OPINION

I thought it was interesting hearing their ideas and feelings. I talked to each individual separate from any other and the main point that arised as you read, was fan support.

I CAN PUT the hammer down again and again until my face is blue in hopes that you'll come out to the game. The sports information director and the coaches add publicity in hopes of filling up a gym, also.

Are you students and administrators aware that you are important to the athletes? Run down the list and see that these are people/people. They enjoy a buzzing crowd as much as you'd enjoy an exciting game. I see both sides of the coin and it's sad that everyone can't hook up and be ONE. You're an OU student and so are they. The decision is up to you.

THE BASKETBALL team's first home game is Saturday, December 8, at 2:00 p.m. against Northern Kentucky. Maybe.....we'll see you there.

Brauer adds 22

Raiders down Pioneers

By Stuart Alderman
Sports Writer

The inaugural game of any season is always an important factor for the teams involved. A sense of momentum, enthusiasm, and pride can be drawn from the success or loss of the opening game.

OU's men's basketball team can only be seen in dim light following their season opener defeat to Wright State (Ohio) 84-58 last Saturday.

The game was closer than the final score indicates as the Pioneers faltered in the second half to the Raiders, who OU edged 55-54 in overtime last season.

TRAILING 41-29 at halftime, OU tallied two quick baskets at the start of the second half to close the gap to 41-33. Minutes late, Wright State led 42-35 before scoring 11 unanswered points capitalizing on Pioneer turnovers to pull ahead for good, 53-35 with 15:11 remaining.

"They shot well and out-rebounded us," said a disappointed OU coach Lee Frederick of Wright State's performance. The Raiders grabbed 42 rebounds to OU's 29. "We just didn't rebound as a team."

Junior Rich Brauer paced the pioneer attack netting 22 points and hauled down 14 rebounds. "The game was close until they began to press. And in the second half we crumbled," added Frederick.

"THE THINGS that we thought we would do well, we didn't. And the things that we thought

wouldn't work too well, did."

Two other Pioneers scored in double figures as Les Thomas, a junior college transfer from Eastern Wyoming College, poured in 12 points while 6-foot 4 junior Duane Glenn chipped in with 10 points.

"The most important thing though, is that the kids feel bad we crumbled in certain time. It wasn't easy."

OU HAS their work cut out this week as the cagers play at St. Mary's Orchard Lake on Thursday, entertain Northern Michigan next Monday.

"We have to come back and beat

St. Mary's and have a big home game on Saturday against Northern Kentucky. We've got time to work on the things that we need to...and the kids understand that. We must rebound better. We have time to get the kinks out."

OAKLAND-58	FG	FT	REB
Brauer	11	0-0	22
Glenn	5	0-0	10
Rawlings	1	1-3	3
Montgomery	1	2-2	4
Thomas	6	0-0	12
Hammond	1	0-0	2
Peterson	1	1-2	3
Rosow	0	0-1	0
Mendez	1	0-0	2
TOTAL	43	4-5	58
WRIGHT STATE	35	20-20	41

Swimmers flounder in the season opener

By Chris Van Meter
Sports Writer

EAST LANSING—The Michigan State Spartans sank the mens' swimteam last Saturday 73-40 in the first meet of the season.

OU won the first event of the day when the 400 yd. Medley Relay team of Mark Doyle, Tom Allen, Tracy Huth and Mark Vagle soused the Spartan's relay by nearly three seconds with a 3:36.33.

The 200 yd. Individual medley was one of the meets most outstanding races. Freshman recruit Tracy Huth maintained a strong lead against Spartan record holder Bob Lundquist. Huth easily won the race with a 1:59.44.

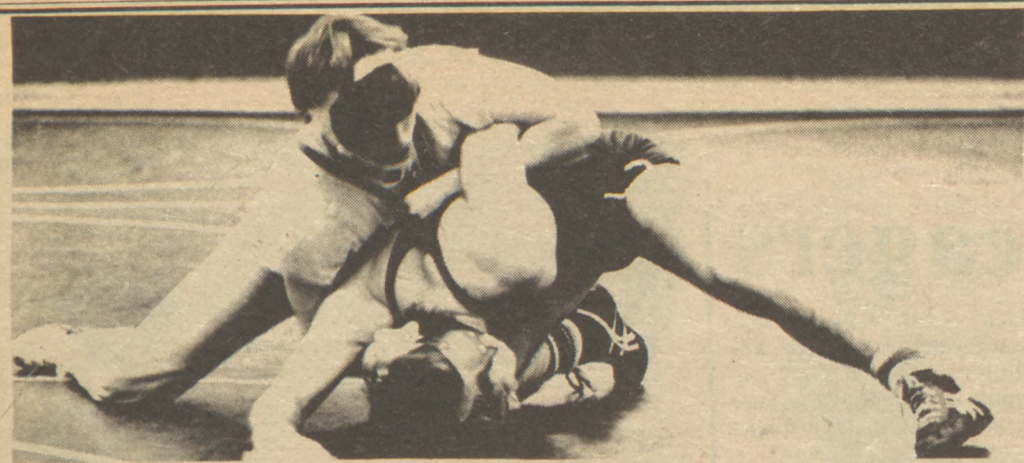
IAN DITTUS grabbed a third for OU in the 200 yd. Butterfly a 2:01.97.

The meet was highlighted by OU junior Mark Doyle's performance in the 200 yd. Backstroke. Doyle not only won the race but his time of 1:58.61 qualified him for the NCAA II Nationals.

Pioneer co-captain Tom Allen sunk the Spartan's top breastroker in Bob Lundquist with a time of 2:14.46.

"I'm not disappointed," said Pioneer coach Ernie Maglischo. "I knew we only had an outside chance."

The team will train in Florida over break and will return home to swim Wright State on Jan. 5.



OU on top of things: The grapplers hope to take down opponents in route to a successful season. (Photo by Matt Ricketts)

OU grapplers promising

Nancy Sheridan
Sports Writer

The 1979 OU wrestler's have steadily improved in their five year history. With a new coaching staff, a handful of veterans, and 14 newcomers, this year stands to be exception.

THE GRAPPLERS FACE a tough schedule this year but claim to be strong in every weight class.

This year's captains are senior's Tim Chapel (Jackson County Western), Mike Eble (Utica Eisenhower), and Phil Lieblang (East Detroit).

Lieblang returned last season from the National Tournament in South Dakota with the distinct honor of being OU's first wrestling all-american at the 118-lbs. weight class. Eble (134 lbs.) was the runner-up at the Mid-East Regionals and Chapel (178 lbs.) went undefeated in the Great Lakes Conference where he was champion (Mid-East champion also).

Sophomore's Fred Alexander (Waterford Mott) and Carl Michalyuk (Anchor Bay) may provide some power to the team

also.

OTHER KEY members include: Dennis Gustafson (Rochester), John Stouffer (Avondale), Paul Johns (Cousino), Dan LeMaster (Walled Lake Central), and Dan Gustafson (Rochester).

OU newcomers to the squad are: Eric Clausen (Lake Orion), Stan Cross (Lahser), Mike Danielson (South Lyon), Bill Elam (Lakeshore), John Humes (Algonac), Gregg Mannino (Warren Tower), Richard Komer (Lamphere), Mike Salyers (Marlette Linch), Steve St. Clair (Romeo), Ronnie Thompson (Lamphere), Ed Villa (Cousino), Bob Warnke (Bedford), and Cori Williams (Kettering).

Eligible grapplers come January are Tony Sullivan (Flint Northern) and Bruce Pinnal (Pontiac Central).

OU'S FIRST YEAR coach Jack Gebauer is in his eleventh year of coaching. His previous experience included coaching positions at Pontiac Catholic, Bishop Foley, and Waterford Kettering. Gebauer doesn't like to make predictions but assumes the team will be

competitive.

"It's not how you start it," said Gevaer. "It's how you finish it."

"OUR TEAM'S GOALS are to win the league title and eventually reach the Division II nationals," added Gebauer.

Gebauer also adds that if any women are interested in forming a wrestling club, they should contact him at the Lepley Sports Center (377-3190).

The grapplers first match is December 5 at Eastern Michigan with Alma. Their first home match is on December 15 against Lake Superior State at 10:00 a.m.

First annual IM banquet

Attention all IM athletic champions! OU's first annual IM banquet is planned for Tuesday, December 11, in the Vandenberg Multi-purpose room. There will be a buffet dinner at 6:00 o.m. and an award presentation roughly following. The cost is a reasonable \$1.20 plus your meal ticket number for dorm students and \$2.50 for commuter participants.

The following teams that will be involved: Women's football (1st and 2nd place), Men's football (1st and 2nd), Co-ed softball (1st and 2nd), Women's softball (1st place), Men's softball (1st and 2nd), and Women's basketball (1st and 2nd). Individual events include a Cross country race (m/w 1st and second) and the tennis tournament (m/w 1st and 2nd). Please R.S.V.P. by December 3 to Leslie Keay (7-3190) or Jim Valliere (7-3866).

Hawaii bound

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Nazgul shuts out all IM hockey opponents

By Dave Robinson
Sports Editor

CONN SMYTH DIVISION

Nazgul completely dominated its opponents last week winning by the scores of 6-0, 6-0, and 3-0. Their victims were Groggery II, Penthouse II, and Jaws I respectively. Jim Fitzpatrick accounted for an amazing six goals and two assists for the week. Mark Surrato and Bob Read each contributed three goals. Scott Porter tallied two assists and one goal.

The Puck Offs recorded their first victory on a shutout performance by goalie Dan Fink as they downed Groggery II 3-0. John Carlson, Jay Dunstan, and Rolfe Heubel all scored for the winners.

Duddley Fitts and the LeMugs battled to a 0-0 tie and Jaws I were victorious 1-0 over the LeMugs on a forfeit.

JACK ADAMS DIVISION

Groggery I came away with two victories last week when they downed Delta Alpha Sigma 3-1, and Death Wish 1-0. Frank Gallon had two goals in the win over DAS while Don McArthur had the lone goal in the shutout.

A jam packed crowd saw Jaws II elude Penthouse I 1-0 as Duane Kortsha scored from Tom Race with 2:00 minutes remaining in the first period. Jaws II also blanked the Flyers 2-0 on goals by Mark Wood and Kortsha.

MRS. HOWE DIVISION

The Styk-Fitz recored two

shutouts when they blanked the Lushes Ladies 2-0 and the B.A.B.E.S. 1-0. Kim Murray scored both goals in the first contest on passes from Linda Martin and Jody Woloszynski. Woloszynski scored the lone goal in the second game.

The B.A.B.E.S. shutdown the Lushes Ladies 2-0 with Paula Berrich and Angie Zotos scoring the goals. The B.A.B.E.S. also fought back to tie the divisional leading Slashers 1-1. Lynn Brown scored for the Slashers on a pass from Michelle Micciantie but it was Cindy Linda who scored with 4:15 remaining in the third period for the tie.

The Slashers blanked the Lushes Ladies 4-0 as Mucciantie scored two goals while Patty Porter and Brown notched the other two.

CO-ED BASKETBALL

It will be the Shooting Stars and the Doldrums who will square off on December 4 for the championship in IM co-ed basketball. The game will be at the Lepley Sports Center at 8:00 p.m.

The Shooting Stars defeated the Bi-Laterals twice last week by scores of 24-18 and 38-26. Daryl Engel (8 points) and Jeff Oxford (8 points) were the high scorers for the winners in the respective games.

Other co-ed action saw the Doldrums down the Bi-Laterals 28-16. Former OU girl's basketball player Lynn Yadatch had ten points for the winners.

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GETTING UP FOR A MEET: Deidre Gasco prepares to come out of dive but it was MSU who stole the show. (Photo by Tom Walker)

Tankers sink

By Susan Lenart
Sports Writer

The Oakland University Women's Swim team got off to a poor start last Friday when they were defeated by the Falcons of Bowling Green at Lepley Center, 85-46.

ALTHOUGH THE Pioneers captured many second and third place finishes, they were unable to rack up many points and soon were far behind the Falcons. Good finishes were put in by several of the Pioneers, including seconds by freshman Tammy McGinnis in the 200 Freestyle (2:01.7), the 200 IM (2:20.1), and in the 200 Breaststroke with the time of

2:39.50. In the 100 breaststroke event, freshman Patty Doherty finished first with a time of 1:13.86. First place in several events was captured by sophomore Linda Hein, who surged to victory in the 200 IM, the 200 Butterfly, and in the 100 Fly.

The Falcons record was 9-1 last season-they remained undefeated except for one loss to Ohio State University. The Pioneers hope to redeem themselves on Saturday, December 8th, when they face Eastern Michigan University on their own home turf. The swim team's next home meet will be on January 5 against contender Wright State.

ET CETERA

STUDENTS SPEAK OUT

Will you spend as much money on Christmas this year as last year or has inflation affected your Christmas plans?

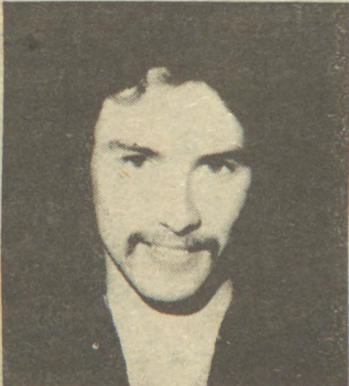


"Yes, definately. I have much fewer funds and my purchasing power is gone. Money doesn't go as far as it used to."

Daryl Washington, 20,
Junior, Computer Science

"I won't be spending more. I'll spend less, because I'm unemployed. I will cut down a lot."

Tracy Ullenbruch, 20,
Freshman, Undecided



"Definetly, inflation has affected them. Well, right now I'm unemployed and everything costs more."

Bill Pavelek, 25, Sophomore
Music

"I won't because everything has gone up. You can't afford anything anymore."

Elaine Hishock, 21, Senior,
Education



"I'll probably spend more because the prices went up, things cost more."

Bob Beck, 26, Junior,
Engineering

Trivia... Trivia...

Olympic jiggle

A few coed students at Penn State University have found a new way to take the boredom out of dinner. It's an activity, they hope, that will soon achieve Olympic competition status.

Marina Zeccardi, Penn. State student and competition judge, explains that the new event is "The Great Jell-O Suck Off." Competitors attempt to be the first to suck cubes of raspberry Jell-O from spoons, leaving the least amount of Jell-O behind.

"The trick is how you put the Jell-O on the spoon," explained last year's champion, Beth Painter. Regarding training, Painter said, "It's all in the lips."

SO FAR the competition has been limited to habitués of Penn State's Waring Dining Hall, but Zeccardi has high hopes for raspberry Jell-O sucking. She dreams "it will reach the Olympic level someday."

Future unknown

Over 80 percent of the voting students at Auburn University approved a non-binding measure on the April 13 campus ballot that would make the student government subject to dissolution every year.

The measure, sponsored by losing presidential candidate Jim Percell, would have students vote whether to continue the student government at least once a year. The measure, however, has no legal force.

The junior said the continuing threat of dissolution would "put some fire under SGA officials to do something for students." He said because so few students vote in the elections, the government "isn't really representative of the entire student body."

The Auburn vote came less than a week after students at the University of Georgia voted to dissolve their student government. Over the last twelve months, student governments at the University of Texas-Austin and at the University of Northern Colorado also have disbanded.

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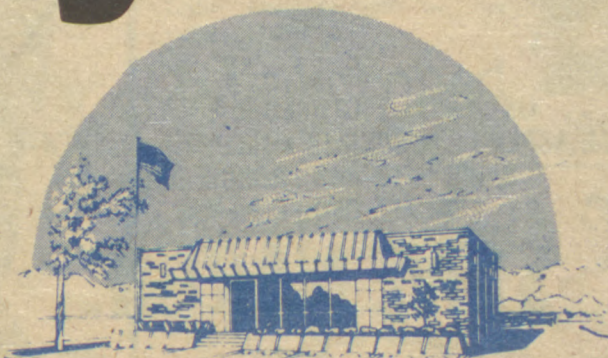
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