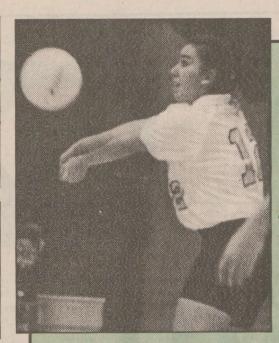
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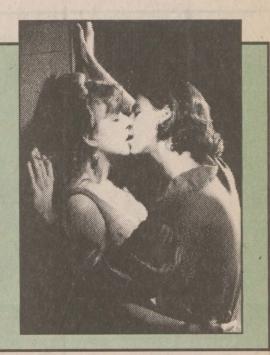
Women's V-Ball Pioneers tumble at home to 22nd ranked Wayne State University 15-7, 12-15, 15-13, 15-6. Their overall record is 12-8, good for fifth place in the GLIAC.

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### On The Prowl

Stags and Hens opens Varner Studio Theatre with steamy scenes of prewedding jitters and second thoughts. Jenn Lester and Chad Kushuba star.

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## Briefly...

**Fall Semester** reminders

Oct.20: Last day to take competency examinations Nov.1: Deadline for fall students to resolve "I" grades earned Winter, Spring or Summer 1994 (see Grading System" in the Fall Semester, 1994 Schedule of Classes for more informa-

Nov.7-16: Early registration Period for Winter Semester, 1995. Obtain a Winter, 1995 Schedule of Classes at the Registration Office, 100 ODH, beginning October 31 (tentative dates). Nov.9: Last housing payment and final tuition pay-

ment due. Nov.10- Last day for official withdrawal. Last day Drops will be accepted in the Registration Office.

#### Interactive conference

October.26:Interactive Video Conference on Generation X, presented by Student Affairs from 1:30-3:30 at Varner TV Studio. Topics will include characteristics, life experiences, attitudes, values and beliefs involved in student life.

### Tai Chi

Tai Chi classes will begin at Meadowbrook Health Enhancement Institute Oct. 20. The classes closely resemble low-impact aerobics that increase strength, flexibility and concentration. They involve12-17 minutes of continuous flowing motion.

The eight week session costs \$40 and class size is limited to 20 people. Contact Sharon Long at 2341 for more information about the program.

### Philosophy Club

Weekly meetings are held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Meadowbrook Room of the Oakland Center. October 19- Meeting will be held in room 125 OC. Topics will include a discussion on the moral implications philosophy has on religion and the moral implications religion has on philosophy. Future discussion topics will include the emphasis on reason in philosophy and the progress of man toward the ultimate enlightenment. For more information call (810) 979-2826.

## Prof disputes press over release

By ROBERT CARR AND **IILL ROBINSON** 

News Editor and Assistant News Editor

Controversy over a derogatory statement made in a press release by an Oakland University professor hit the local media last week, and now he is fighting back with a cry of foul.

Philip Singer, professor of Health and Behavioral Sciences, is angered that his comment, "let's go eat Chinks," which appeared in a press release he wrote promoting a local Chinese restaurant, was taken out of context by the local press. He said he plans to sue The Detroit News for misrepresentation and libel.

The first two paragraphs in the press rant in Ann Arbor," Singer wrote release which Singer wrote to alert media to a video report he co-authored, read:

"Chinese food, chefs and restaurants have never had the gourmet appeal of European cuisine. Somehow, 'let's go eat Chinks' has not inspired restaurant reviewers, who prefer to write about French, Italian, Mexican, Thai and 'New Age' vegetarianism.

"But the old stereotype of Chinese food as take-out chow mein and greasy eggrolls" is changing. Helping this change along is Master Chef Jack Dai, and owner Linda Parker of the Hunan Palace in Farmington Hills, and Master Chef Michael Lee of the Szechuan West restau-

The Detroit News and The Oakland Press printed stories that said Singer was being investigated by OU for possibly violating university policy. However, OU officials said that no investigation is planned, at this point.

"The Detroit News called me--that was the first I heard about it," Associate VP for Academic Affairs Bill Connellan said. "Gary Russi (vice president of academic affairs) only said that he would investigate into it. We will look at the press release and determine if any action needs to be taken. At this point there is no investigation, we have not even seen the press

"I intend to sue the reporter from The News for inaccuracy," Singer said. "Both

lawyer and colleague of mine were present during my conversation with the News -- the facts were misreported."

**Philip Singer** 

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## GALA angry at chalk clean-up

"There may have been an overreaction...groundskeepers may have thought they were doing the right thing."

> -- Allen Miller Asst. VP CF&O

By ROBERT CARR

News Editor

A chalk-message war erupted on campus last week, with weapons of words used to spread awareness of a controversial Oakland University issue: sexual

At battle were OU's Gay and Lesbian Alliance, OU's administration and anti-gay persons at the university.

The main issue was the claim by GALA that the administration was being

discriminatory in the removal of campus graffiti. "National Coming Out Day" for gays and lesbians was Oct. 11. About 15 members of GALA and their friends decided to celebrate the day by chalking "Gay Pride" messages around campus the night before.

The next morning, students walking to classes saw "Homophobia is a social disease," "Silence = Death," and pink triangles drawn on the cement sidewalks and benches around the Oakland Center, North and South Foundation and

"We wanted to show people that there are gay and lesbian students on campus," said Jackie O'Connor, a GALA officer. "We're out and open, and it's fine to be that, there's nothing wrong."

However, the chalking caused a slight problem. There was a written memo,

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Jacqueline O'Connor, above, encircled the Oakland Center with her group's message last Tuesday evening with the help of fellow members.



Left, Delayne Elyse, an advisor to GALA, reapplied the chalk messages which had been washed over by campus facilities and operations employees earlier that day. Elyse purposely wrote with non-hydroxic chalk to show that her organization's message was no different than the greek systems'.

### Office space may cause rift

By ROBERT CARR

News Editor

Gay and anti-gay forces currently in conflict at OU might soon get louder. Administrators announced that the Gay and Lesbian Alliance might be moved into the same organization room as Chi Alpha

See SPACE page 5

## OU's substance abusers below norm

By DIANA PLETZ

Staff Writer

Compared with 70 universities nationwide, Oakland University's campus has a to a Graham Health Center Survey.

The computer-scored survey directed its questions in three major areas: The student's own alcohol and drug use; the presumed

intake of alcohol and drugs by other OU stu- body were surveyed; 1,245 students in over dents; and their knowledge of the university's drug and alcohol policy and the programs OU hosts.

"The plan was to get some sense of what's low rate of alcohol and drug use, according happening here and get a sense of how it compares to other universities," said Barbara Talbot, a clinical psychologist and substance

abuse coordinator. Nine-and-a-half percent of the student

60 classes. Statistics showed that 14 percent of OU students used drugs in the last 40 days, 10 percent being marijuana.

"This accounts for only 1 percent of the OU population," Talbot said.

Seventy-four percent of OU students had

used alcohol in the past 30 days. "Both statistics are well below the nation-

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### New OU medical director gives tips

By NICK MORETTI Staff Writer

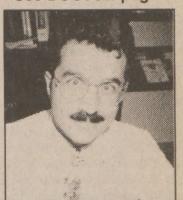
Dr. Joseph Keenan, who recently became the new medical director of the Meadow brook Health Enhancement Institute and Graham Health Center, said his goal at OU is to "improve the delivery of current health trends to OU students." He replaced former director Tim Eckstein.

Keenan, 34, took the position because he feels the Health Enhancement Institute is on the forefront of preventive medicine.

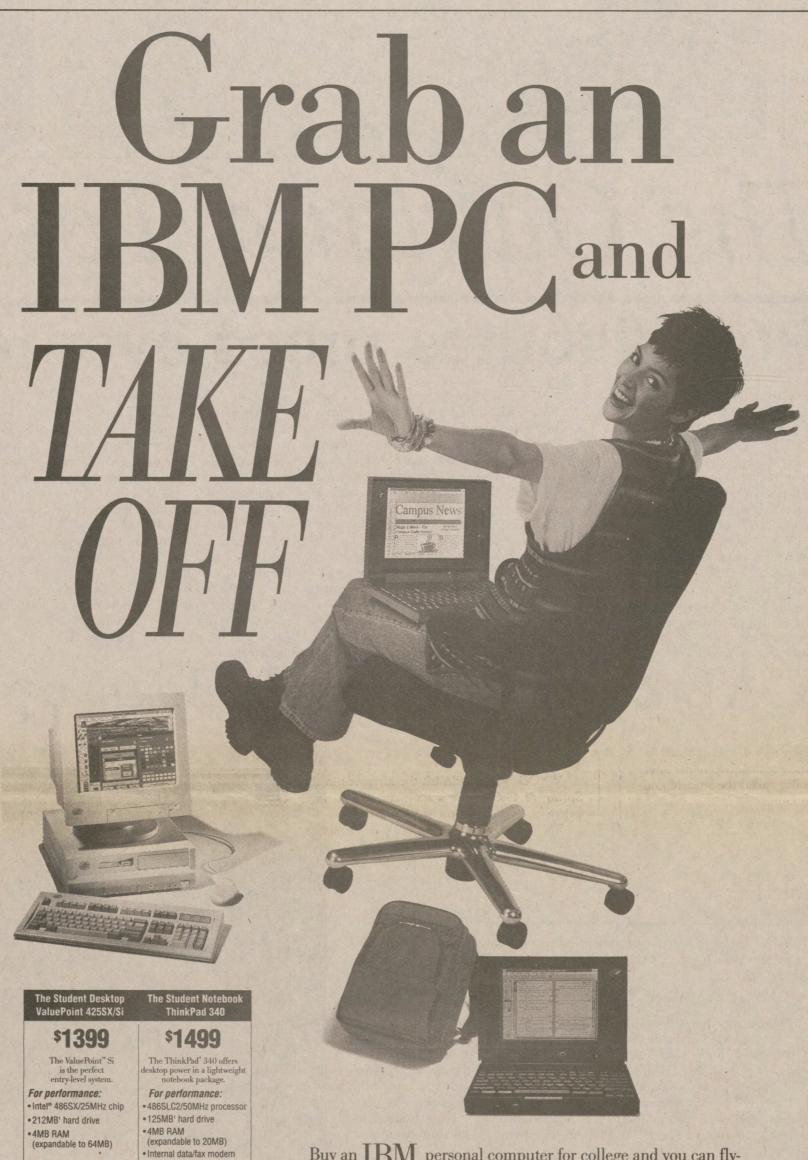
"There's more to be done with diet and exercise", than with shots and vaccines, Keenan said when asked what sort of health advice he would offer to OU students.

In fact, Keenan has no shortage of tips for healthy living. With diet, he made several sobering points: Meat is indeed bad for you, and if you're 25, there's a 25 percent chance you may already have an artery disease if you've eaten your share of fast food.

"Just ask yourself, do we have teeth like a German shepherd, or a rabbit, and that should See DOCTOR page 5



Keenan



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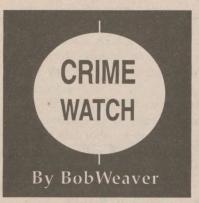
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October 10 - 2:10 a.m. An OU student was arrested after OU police answered a noise complaint at the Hamlin circle. The driver, after being pulled over by police, couldn't produce a valid driver's license. OU police were notified during a LEIN check of an outstanding bench warrant from Warren.



October 11 - 11:17 p.m. During a traffic stop, OU police found the driver of the car had had his license suspended eight times and three warrants for his arrest. Two warrants were out of Detroit traffic and the other from Highland Park. Neither station dispatched an officer to pick up the suspect. The suspect was using improper license plates on the vehicle he was driving.

October 12 - 9:46 a.m. A resident of married housing filed a complaint against her husband after he hit her. The complainant was also attacked two weeks ago when he choked her. She would like to prosecute her husband. The man was arrested on October 17.

October 11 - 5:30 p.m. A student, after being "flipped the bird," was assaulted by the driver of a passing car. The student exited his vehicle and stood by his driver's side door. The suspect pushed the complainant and threatened to hit him. The suspect commented about the poor driving habits of the complainant. The suspect then left.

October 12 - 6:03 p.m. A car parked in the South Lot was stolen. The owner of the car noticed a great deal of glass on the ground where his car had been parked. He said that the car keys were with him and that the car was locked when he

October 13 - 5:07 p.m. The control of the Hamlin Hall elevator was set on fire. The elevator had to be turned off until repairs could be done.

October 13 - 6 p.m. OU police confiscated three bows from people hunting on OU property. One hunter, in a tree stand about 12 feet off of the ground, was arrested by police for recreational trespass and deer hunting. The two other hunters were not arrested. One was issued a citation and the last one was not because he is a minor.

October 14 - 9:45 a.m. OU police assisted Auburn Hills police in arresting four suspects who stole a student's car. The police arrested two juveniles who admitted to the theft

Oakland County Sheriff's Department arrested three of the suspects that were in the vehicle almost two hours after the Auburn Hills arrests. OU police called the student and notified her that the car had been found.

### Females at risk if mother smokes

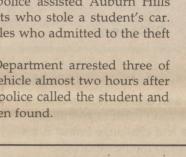
The daughters of women who smoke while they are pregnant may be prenatally primed by nicotine to smoke themselves, according to a new study by Dr. Denise Kandel Columbia University.

Kandel says that nicotine fuels the fetus' need for dopamine, a chemical in the brain that is directly related to drug addiction. "But the effects can lie dormant until the child is in her early teens," Kandel says. "This study reinforces everything doctors say about how women shouldn't smoke while preg-

According to the study, which was published in the September issue of the "American Journal of Public Health," teen-age girls were found four times more likely to smoke if their mothers smoked while pregnant. The numbers remained constant for all women surveyed regardless of race or social

Before coming to her conclusion, Kandel studied 192 families over a 19-year period. She noted that children were more likely to imitate their mothers than their fathers in numerous ways, including smoking.

Kandel noticed that daughters of smoking mothers were more likely to smoke than their brothers. She then resurveyed the mothers and the children on their smoking habits, finding that only 4 percent of the females whose mothers didn't smoke while pregnant were smokers themselves, compared to 26 percent of the women who were exposed to smoking in the fetal stage of development.



### Survey discloses gossip at salon

Just as bartenders tend to hear everyone's problems, hair stylists are also accustomed to having their clients vent, gossip, or just let their hair down-during chairside

A new survey shows just what kind of topics men and women tend to discuss with

· According to the survey, men discuss sex about three times more frequently with their hair stylists than women

Twenty-one percent of male respondents admit to talking about sex with their hair stylist, while only 7 percent of women do.

• For women, the number one topic of hair cut chats was their family (75 percent), while male respondents were most likely to chat about work (70 percent).

• Overall, of the 972 people questioned for the survey, family was the top topic of discussion (68 percent), followed by sports (67 percent), relationships (42 percent), money (20 percent), and sex (11 percent).

The survey was conducted by Supercuts, Inc.

# CAMBUS

## Minorities sought for OU

Minority enrollment figures are set to be spurred higher, by new staff hired to attract a more diverse student body

By CICELY CADE Staff Writer

Oakland Center around 12 noon or minorities here. tried to find a parking space on minorities?

In the past the number of minori-recruiters. ty students, whether commuters or residents, were comparatively low.

Institutional Research at OU, there in Detroit. are presently 5.5 percent African-

Americans, 1.1 percent Hispanics, 1.9 percent Asian-Americans, and .4 percent Native-Americans on cam-If you've walked through the pus. This results in 8.9 percent total

This year the Office of campus you are aware of the Admissions is undertaking a plan to increase in the number of students boost minority enrollment, and to this year. Yet look around you. aid in its execution, the office hired How many of these students are Jocelyn Wooten, Lisa McRipley, and Anthony Delarosa as minority

Wooten holds a B.A. in psychology from Colby College and an M.A. According to the office of in Administration from Mary Grove

McRipley is a recent alumni of

OU and the recipient of the 1994 Matilda Wilson Award and has received praise for her work as Diversity Awareness Coordinator for Residence Halls.

Anthony Delarosa is also a recent graduate of OU with a degree in Human Resource Development. As an Admissions Advisor he will work heavily with the recruitment of Hispanic students.

Cynthia Hendrix, who has been with the Admissions Office since 1989, will also begin focusing her efforts on minority recruitment.

Stacy Penkala, Assistant Director of Admissions, has been working closely with Wooten, Delarosa and

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Wooten



Delarosa

## **OU** Radio station WXOU FM to be delayed one year

**By SALLY TATO** Special Writer

WXOU -FM should hit the airwaves in the Spring of 1995, if the station can get an FCC extension on its construction permit.

The station known as WOUX will officially become WXOU when it goes FM.

The FCC originally granted WOUX a construction permit in 1992 with a Dec. 25,1994

The station planned to launch its broadcast on 88.3 FM this Fall, but a problem with the station's antenna, delayed the debut.

"The initial engineering study and the packaging of the FCC application was completed by an engineer from out of state who has not worked with the school since the application was received and a construction permit was issued," said Jon Moshier, General Manager of

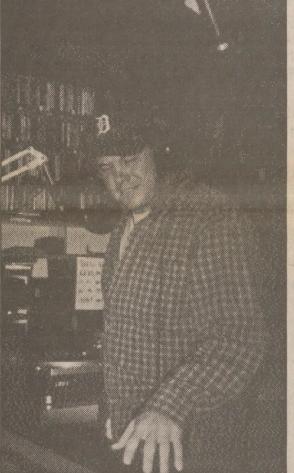
An engineer was hired to fill out the complex license application and to configure the station for FM. That engineer sent an antenna specifications to the FCC without consulting the manufacturer to make sure the antenna would fit on the tower lease on Bald Mountain.

There was a good deal of engineering legwork that needed to be done before the FCC application was filled out," said Michael LaBond, current station engineer.

The tower portion that they had leased on Bald Mountain, six miles north of campus was

Normal tower widths for FM antennas are 18 to 24 inches.

LaBond, who was hired last year was notified by the antenna manufacturer in July that it could not construct an antenna for a tower that



al studies, spins disks for OU's own WOUX. "FM antennas are sensitive to structures that

Lee McPherson, a senior majoring in gener-

are too broad," said LaBond.

Placing the original antenna on a tower that wide would have caused signal interference for

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"There's no doubt that we're going to do what we have to do to go FM."

> -- Jon Moshier General Manager WOUX

### Job fair has something for everyone in health field

**By KRISTEN SMITH** Staff Writer

Pencils and pens, bandages and first-aid kits, all of that and more was available for interested students at the 1994 Health Careers Job Fair.

The annual program sponsored by Placement and Career Services took place on Wednesday October 12 from 3:30-5pm in the Oakland Center. Sixty-four different clinical and hospital facilities, with two to four representatives each, were on hand to talk to interested students and to pass out items bearing their facilities' logo, and hopefully recruit.

"This is our fourth year recruiting (at OU)," said Mario Bologna, Human Resource Representative for St. Johns "Oakland Health Systems. University is a wonderful school, I personally believe they do a wonderful job putting on this job fair."

When asked about the response from students, the recruiters had many positive thoughts.

"I was caught off-guard at how many nurses were interestsaid Jeffrey Marvin, Training, Retention, Employment Specialist, St. Joseph Mercy of Macomb.

"It's one stop shopping for students," said Joyce Esterburg,

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Philip Ross joins Oakland University's Board of Trustees. Ross fills Stephan Sharf's seat.

## Ross brings experience to board of trustees position

Michigan State graduate, foundation board chair replaces Stephan Sharf's eight-year term as trustee

By JILL ROBINSON Assistant News Editor

The Board of Trustees will soon welcome a new member to their meetings. Louis Ross, known as "smart," "bright,"

trustee Stephan Sharf. Ross, appointed by John

OU community.

"He is very knowledgeable,"

said chairman of the Board David Fischer. "I am looking forward to working with him."

Ross points out that he will hold off opinions on issues such as tuition and sexual orientation until he is presented with and "easy to work with," by his all sides of the story, the histocoworkers at Ford Motor ries of each issue and any other Company, is set to replace details that would affect his judgements.

"When you own a car, you Engler, will have a voice on are automatically qualified to decisions affecting the entire make choices and decisions about its well being," said Ross. "But you still don't go into

them blind. I have a broad knowledge base. When I am updated, I will be prepared to make decisions for the University."

Although Ross is a graduate of both Michigan State and Wayne State Universities, his commitment and experience at OU are impressive. Ross holds a position as chair of the University Foundation Board and, among other things, has worked closely with the Meadowbrook Music Festival.

"I'm happy he's there," said trustee James Sharp. "He will

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### EDITOR'S VIEW

## Packard's men reenter quagmire

With all the pokers in Oakland University's fire, its recent attempt at silencing the Gay and Lesbian Alliance last week yet again displays the current administration's penchant for getting stuck in situations which could tarnish a young school whose image needs all the buffing it can get.

It is almost as though Packard's administration doesn't seem happy unless they have a fire burning at all times.

Her cabinet's rationale that Professor Philip Singer has first amendment rights that GALA does not is inconsistent and confusing. Why defend Singer and not GALA? Maybe they figure Singer is straight. However, in fairness, his sexuality should be given as much consideration as GALA's mem-

The most disturbing question, and a point of note for all OU students is this: Just what are our educators teaching us? Stand up for what you believe in, but close the closet door so we can't

Why erase the non-profane, unthreatening scrawlings from around the Beer Lake Bridge area which were a safe distance from the OC?

GALA received no explanation, and no apologies, other than a belated acquiescence.

So give them credit for coming back outside last Tuesday evening and re-chalking the sidewalks leading to the Oakland Center. GALA's persistence paid off. The administration finally pulled the chair away from the closet door. At press time, its messages were still visible

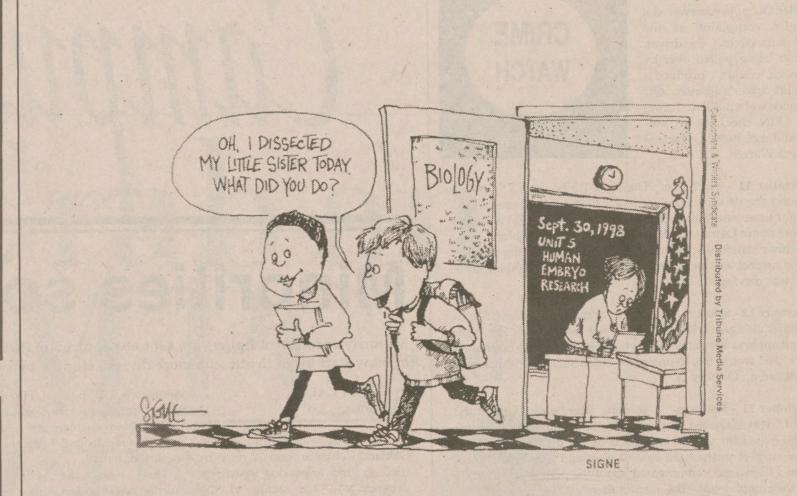
Most of GALA's messages were done tongue-in-cheek, and you certainly cannot fault GALA for its creativeness.

For the past several decades, literate Oakland University students have endured the Hooked-On-Phonics-quality cliches of the Greek System, whose creative juices flow as freely as those of Lenny from Steinbeck's Of Mice and Men.

Let GALA have its say. Just erase the messages which break university graffiti policy.

And not those that are chalked clearly in the appropriate areas. Packard's right-hand-men have no justifiable explanation for why they ordered the removal of the chalkings which were far away from underneath the OCs overhangs and off benches.

Now GALA is talking about calling the ACLU and any national television station that will listen to their woes. If a camera crew came by to visit, they'd find enough fires burning to ravage Rome.



### Letters to the Editor

## GALA member accuses leaders of ignoring the struggle for human rights

Dear Editor,

"Gay and Lesbian students are welcome on this campus," but you cannot receive benefits if you are a spouse, you can be discriminated from religious and secular student associations, and you cannot promote gay/lesbian/bisexual awareness by chalking the sidewalks. This is my interpretation of the acceptance and tolerance level of Oakland University.

I cannot believe the lousy example this university has given its students. How can you expect the students of OU to respect and support the gay/lesbian/bisexual community on campus when their own leaders enforce discrimination by not including sexual orientation in the Equal Opportunity Policy?

How can you expect acceptance from the students when leaders order the removal of positive phrases from the cement?

How can students realize that scribbling 'If you are gay you should be shot' on the cement is not acceptable when their own leaders sit back and enjoy the show?

Where are the respectable nonconforming equality-seeking leaders anyways?



O'Connor

All I see around are leaders who won't take action because they don't want to go out of their comfort zones and challenge unjust rules and policies. They sit in their comfortable Republican positions and put "financial implications" before basic human rights.

This is what I refuse to accept. I can guarantee our dear "leaders" that they will be challenged until the day comes when every gay spouse can receive dental benefits and chalking isn't washed away. This is my promise, so sit back and hear us start to roar and raise hell.

Jacqueline O'Connor Officer GALA

### Article shows God's spirit

Dear Editor,

Thank you so much for the article on LaWanda "Tiny" Smith. I found the article to be very inspirational in a few

One of the ways was when she discovered her new-found faith in God. I am positive that she has always had a strong belief in the Lord Jesus. It reminded me of my mother's stroke back in the winter of

My mother has always told me to hold a very strong belief in the Lord Jesus. When I first saw her after the stroke, I was very scared of losing her. But with the strong power of God, she has just about fully recovered. After reading the article on LaWanda, it made me question: How many of us really believe in God?" Do we give him praise after something good has happened to us."

LaWanda's message is that we all need the essence of God and Jesus Christ in our lives -all the time.

May God bless you and your family, LaWanda.

Cyrano Cleaves Senior **Communication Arts** 

## Gays are flat out disrespected

I wanted to v rite this to make you and the students aware of the blatant homophobia that obviously exists at Oakland University, within the administration and faculty. As you may or may not know, Oct. 11 was national Coming Out Day and in honor of it GALA and Friends participated in the long standing tradition of chalking the sidewalks to remind everyone. Surprisingly enough, unlike the fraternities and sororities of this fine school, GALA's message was left on the sidewalk for approximately four-and-a-half hours before furiously scrubbed away. Apparently, "they" told us there was some sort of policy about chalking the sidewalks. Apparently it took writing about gay pride to remind

them of that (phony) policy, because at the beginning of the semester when Oakland's finest (the frats and sorority girls) decided to chalk the sidewalk those messages were left, and still remain, in plain view. When people were asking me if there was discrimination on campus, I used to say, 'no not really' but I've changed my mind.

This was a sickening example of how things are going to get I suppose. As long as gays lesbians and bi's are silent and closeted and submissive on this campus, the campus will accept us being here. I'm personally tired of administration action as if they are sympathetic to our cause to my face, then turning around and stabbing us in the back. If Oakland things the gay's are too loud now, they are in for a hell of a treat, because

Survey says...

now we are not only loud but we are pissed off and we're smart. We will keep record of these discriminations and we will fight back and go national if we have to. Oakland will have a hard time denying that they actually have gay students when we are on national television. After this blatant discrimination about the chalking, I'm done trusting

Oakland's administration. This is obviously a battle we must fight for ourselves and we are ready. So I guess all I can say is look out Oakland because the games are about to

Delayne Elyse Advisor GALA

## Setting it Straight

The Oakland Post corrects all errors of fact and will publish those corrections as they are brought to our attention.

· Beneath Melissa Winter's letter to the editor, her major course of study should have been

listed as History.

• Jack Wilson should have been identified as the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs. The front page story on lecturer Amy Blake should have been continued on page 11. The story is re-run in its

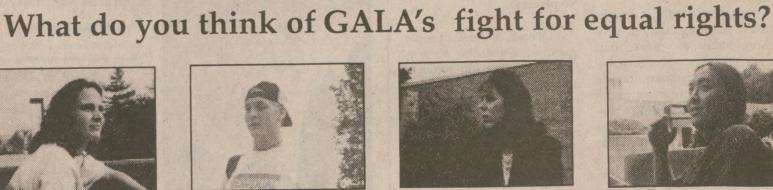
· The news profile of Louis Ross is run in its entirety on



**Dawn Thomas** graduate student, physical therapy "It doesn't bother me. I think it's fine.



Shannon Fahy freshman, engineering "They can do whatever they want. It doesn't effect me."



Linda Greenman staff, admissions office "To each their own. They should be treated equal."



**Terry Park** senior, english "If they're discriminated against, they should speak

### GALA

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distributed Maura Selahowski, director of Campus Information, Programs and Organizations to all campus organizations, that dictated campus policy showing where chalking is not allowed. Those illegal areas include the north side of North Foundation Hall, and on benches or under covered areas.

Apparently, GALA violated those areas.

"I was walking to my office early yesterday (Tuesday, Oct. 11) morning, and I saw chalking on this building (Wilson Hall) in direct conflict of where chalking is appropriate," said Paul Bissonnette, vice president of finance and administration.

Bissonnette said that he recently overheard OU President Sandra Packard asking Vice President of Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder to do something to get rid of "illegal" chalking done by organizations. This prompted him to call Campus Facilities and Operations to have the messages removed.

He said that a groundskeeping crew came out to clean the "illegal" graffiti off that afternoon. However, the crew didn't stop until they had cleared off all the GALA messages.

Alan Miller, vice president of CF&O, said the groundskeepers might have made a mistake in removing all of GALA's graffiti.

"There might have been an overreaction," said Miller. "The groundskeepers may have thought they were doing the right thing."

"I was very angry and frustrated," O'Connor said. "They didn't try to take the Greek "Rush" stuff off, I didn't see why

admitted some of the chalk was applied in the wrong areas.

Bissonnette said that the reason all of GALA's graffiti was removed, even in the safe areas, was that they used the wrong materials.

"What happened was, they (groundskeeping) started looking at the type of materials. It wasn't chalkboard chalk, it was very difficult to remove," he

been a type of paint, mixed in with chalk.

However, a groundskeeper, who admitted he washed off a few messages, said that normal chalk was used.

"I even found a package of big, thick sidewalk chalk near the messages," the man said. He refused to be identified.

O'Connor denied that it was any other type of material but blackboard chalk that was used that night. She said that it was clear that sexual orientation was an issue OU's administration didn't want to deal with.

"At the (Oct. 6 OU Board of Trustees) meeting, the message that they wanted to listen to us was emphatic. But all we did was chalk something, and they don't want to hear us, they want us to be totally invisible. It really hurts," she said.

"Also, the Student Program Board used the "illegal" chalkpaint to promo a "pumpkin carving" event on the sidewalk outside of the OC, and that is still there after three days. They haven't removed it, that just leaves me with no doubt that they are singling us out," O'Connor said.

Members of GALA then spent the rest of the week chalking diagrams and messages in the "legal" areas, which is basically ours is a major priority." She only around the Oakland Center.

Some people came right out with their homophobia, and etched anti-gay messages in contrast to those left by GALA. The anti-gay writings were done in white chalk over the pastels GALA members had used.

"We're Gay bashers We're here," was an example, and others told members of GALA to "stay in the closet."

Also included in the anti-gay He thought it might have messages was a threat that appeared Thursday, Oct. 13. It said that all gays should be shot.

Mel Gilroy, senior investigator for OU's public safety and police department, was one of the administrators who decided to remove the threat from the sidewalk.

"A university should be a place where you can examine ideas, and we don't want the police to suppress free speech," he said. "However, when any graffiti reaches to extolling violence, it is beyond my understanding of acceptable parameters."

Kate Kenney, a heterosexual supporting member of GALA, had asked the administration to leave the hateful remark.

"It proved our point, that there is this type of people at the university," she said. She was referring to what she referred to as OU's Board of Trustees lack of interest in the rights of gays and

A draft of a policy statement, dealing with violent graffiti and legal chalking areas, was drawn up by Mary Beth Snyder, vice president of academic affairs soon after the incident. She said she didn't think the hate message was appropriate.

"Whenever you have an area where free speech is protected and encouraged, that doesn't give an open license to threaten individuals," said Snyder.

### Space

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and Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, two strongly religious student groups on campus.

According to Maura Selahowski, director of Campus Information, Programs and Organizations, the Golden Key National Honor Society and the Non-Traditional Students Association will be moved into Room 17 in the Oakland Center. They will move in as soon as the room, a former beauty shop, is renovated.

This move will open space for other organizations, such as GALA, that do not have an trary to that plan," he said. "GALA is promotoffice. GALA, currently with 25 members, has been without space since they were based in the Graham Health Center, but lost that spot when the room was needed to accommodate new personnel, and when they switched advisors to their current one, Sharon Howell, a rhetoric, communication and journalism professor.

Selahowski said that since GALA already had space that was taken from it, the organization was placed high on the waiting list for

office space.

However, members are not sure that's where they want to go. "We have heard that we will be in the same room as the religious groups, but we're not exactly sure where we will be going," said Jackie O'Connor, a GALA officer.

Mike Simon, student congress president, said that having religious groups in the same room with the GALA desk could be intimidating to new, potential GALA members.

A member of Chi Alpha admitted there would be some friction between the two.

'We have a belief that God has a standard, and that living a homosexual lifestyle is coning an alternative lifestyle (that we don't agree with), most of us at Chi Alpha would disagree 100 percent. I imagine that would cause some

That's a nice Christian example," she said referring to Mannikka's concerns. "We're tired of tiptoeing around other groups. This is a college campus, supposedly at OU we are here to learn about diversity. I think it's time to learn to accept and tolerate other people's differences."

### Radio

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LaBond then had to contact the tower owners at could be acquired.

The tower owners agreed and allotted a space

LaBond then contacted another antenna manufacturer who agreed to construct an antenna for a tower

More power will be needed to reach the new antenna in order to produce the necessary 110 watts for the signal to be heard on campus and in the surrounding communities.

The antenna will cost up to \$3,000 more than the original estimated price of \$12,000. The transmitters

WXOU's studio-transmitter link will be made through phone lines that will be installed by Ameritech. The station will have a remote control that will allow it to turn off the transmitter on Bald Mountain from the university.

Even with the new antenna manufacturer located, chances of construction being complete by the Christmas deadline are slim.

To get a deadline extension from the FCC, the station must have equipment on order, a site acquired and cleared, and construction proceeding towards completion.

## Survey

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al norm," said Talbot. "Alcohol is obviously most popular, but drug use just doesn't exist at Oakland.

"What's most interesting though," said Talbot, "is how the stu-

When asked how many people they thought consumed three or more drinks per week they said 94 percent, whereas, in reality the statistic showed that only 39 percent do.

"Moderation seems to be the norm," Talbot said, "and students drastically overestimate the alcohol and drug use on OU's campus."

"That can't be true, I live in the dorms, and I always hear everybody talking about plans to get drunk

binge drinking, consuming five drinks or more in one sitting to become legally drunk.

'This is something we want to pay close attention to," said Talbot, "Especially since it is based on a 185 lbs. person. The majority of girls don't weigh that much, which cuts the five drinks down to only

ent depending on how often they drink." The survey also said that the largest area of binge drinkers are males, students between the age 21-25, children of alcoholic parents, and students who have had their marriages end.

### dents perceptions of drug and alcohol use were so different than the reality.

To Junior Keri Garascia, 21, the low number came as a surprise.

each weekend. Maybe a lot of people lied on the survey." However, on a more negative side, when students do drink, a substantial number abuse alcohol by

two or three before they are legally drunk." "I don't think that is true" said senior, Sharon Sadecki, "Because everyone's tolerance level is differ-

## Doctor

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show you what kind of diet we're supposed to have," said

Keenan does give a thumbs up to fish, however, "in moderation."

Keenan did his graduate training at William Beaumont Hospital of Royal Oak. His area of expertise is internal medicine and pediatrics.

"I like kids", he said in answer to why he decided to get into pediatrics. "They're more compliant and it's easier to impact health care with kids because they have caretakers controlling their environment."

Keenan claims he became a doctor because of a real interest in the academics of the science, and the art of medicine, especially the human element.

Although Keenan admits that cutting meat out of your diet after a lifetime of carnivorous habits is a challenge, there

is hope. He recommends 2 books on healthy eating by Dean Ornish, "Eat More, Weigh Less", and "Reversing Heart Disease". He recommends Oprah Winfrey's "Cooking With Rosie"

## Minority

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McRipley.

"We want to continue to make the campus more diverse, whether the students be non-traditional or Asian-American," stated Penkala.

Armed with innovative ideas for the 94-95 academic year such as Minority Ambassadors, a Minority Hotline and a Minority Prospective Weekend, the Advisors hope to the minority numbers.

The Minority Ambassador program would entail a group of OU minority students who

would generate interest with prospective students. The role of these Ambassadors will be to act as tour guides to interested students and their families and perhaps play host for overnight vis-

Although most ambassadors are minorities, according to Penkala they are not turning anyone away who wants to become involved.

Training for the ambassadors is expected to begin sometime in November. A definite date has not been set.

Prospective minority students can also dial 1-800-OAK-UNIV and reach the Minority Hotline where they can talk with ambassadors about concerns.

### Ross

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bring a different perspective to OU."

Vice President of University Relations David Disend is also excited about Ross' appointment to the board. "He is an expert at seeing the big picture and has an interest in making things run smoothly," said Disend.

His duties at Ford Motor Company give Ross the experience necessary to back up his belief that he is qualified for the board seat. "He has personally done a lot for Ford's Quality Improvement," said Bill Powers, executive director of information systems and research

at Ford. "He gets people to make things happen through respect." "The Jaguar division is very happy that he stayed with them to improve their quality," said Powers.

"He is a strong leader who has held almost every major automotive position in the company. He is a man who wants to make things happen, looks for new ideas and truly believes in them."

Bald Mountain to see if a location on a different tower

approximately four feet wide on another tower also located on Bald Mountain.

WXOU will be sharing the tower with other users

The new antenna will be designed differently than the original and will need a different transmitter.

price has increased from \$5,700 to \$7,500.

"At this point, there's no question that we're going to do what we have to do to go FM," said Moshier.

### Fair

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Program Manager for Placement and Career Services for OU.

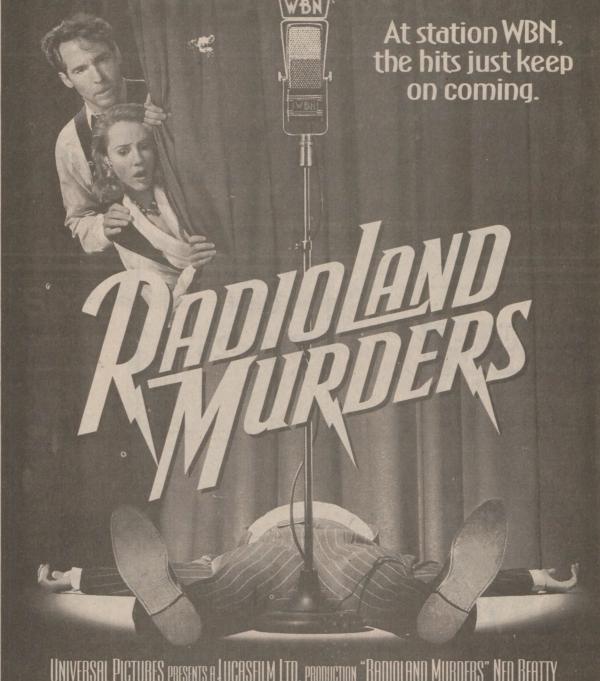
There are many job opportunities and scholarship information materials available for health science majors, and students use this job fair for both networking and also for just general information.

"It's great. I've gotten so much information, that when I do get in the program I'll be able Michelle Payne, senior, nursing. to pick and choose," said Kurt Biebuyck, junior, pre-physical

therapy.

"It is a good opportunity for us to see what all the health facilities have to offer. There are three or four hospitals I know for sure I want to contact." said





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### Singer

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"The release wasn't done on OU stationary, and I only identified myself as a professor at OU to identify myself," said Singer.

Hunan Place owner Parker said she personally would have used "Chinese", but feels there was no harm done. Parker was upset that comments she made to the Oakland Press were misunder-

The Press article implied the was upset by Singer's wording in the press release, Parker said.

"They didn't ask my reaction to the story," she said. "It sounds as if I was trying to get him in trouble. He's been to China and knows a lot. I waswe appreciate what he's doing OU." to educate."

President Sandra Packard Singer. says the release brings up the question of first amendment' to support and encourage

She said the OU News Department screens all press still carry hurt. Commonly releases before they are sent, used does not mean comfortbut did not look at Singer's able," she said. because it was done privately, without backing from the uni-

"Individuals have freedom

of speech even if others do not appreciate or agree with their comments," Packard said. "He did this on his own as a private n't upset at him at all. In fact, individual, not as a member of

Packard was quick to point out that she doesn't condemn

"We are working very hard diversity at OU. Although terms are used as slang, they

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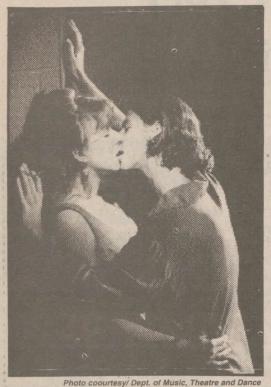
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## Stags and Hens

Having the wedding-eve jitters is all part of the getting married, but put second thoughts together with cheap alcohol, an exboyfriend and dreams of escaping from small-town life and Willy Russell's play, Stags and Hens promises to be a lot of laughs.

The play is set in England in 1977 and centers around 11 members in a wedding party, out for their last night together as singles. "It's the story of a woman following her heart," said freshman Elizabeth Reicer. "If you liked Four Weddings and a Funeral, you'll

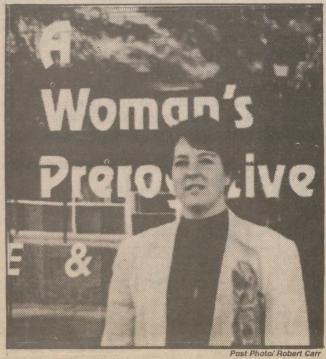
Unknowingly, both parties end up in the same dance club and spend their time in their respective bathrooms and begin realizing that their expations for life and marriage don't agree.

"Being that they live in a small town, a lot of young people dream of getting out and different characters have different ideas on how to do that," said junior Jon Kolek. "We also have some real steamy bits mixed in."

As for the two lovers portrayed in the picture.... "It's the bride-to-be and her ex-boyfriend, who is a local who made it big," hinted director Karen Sheridan. "But I won't tell you the ending."

Performance dates are October 21-23, 28-30 and November 4-6 at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Satrudays and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Call 370-3013 for tickets and information. Students \$5, seniors \$8, general admission \$10.

## Features



**DIVERSE: Lecturer Amy Blake, outside her** 

bookstore, promotes women's rights.

## Lecturer promotes diversity

By ERICA BLAKE Features Editor

JUST ANOTHER FLING: Jenn

**Lester and Chad** 

Kushuba appear

as ex-lovers

exchanging a kiss in Willy

Russell's Stags

and Hens, a 70's

comedy opening

Studio Theatre on

in the Varner

Due to a production error, this article did not run in full in our last issue. We are now re-running the article in its entirety.

Although normally shy, there is one issue OU Lecturer Amy Blake doesn't hesitate to speak up on, women and gay rights.

Blake, who began teaching Women Studies in September, has already reached out to her students as a feminist and a lesbian in an attempt to create a greater awareness at OU and in her community.

"People need to be confronted and to realize that they're not so different than you," Blake

are but they also don't want to have to deal with about issues and opinions."

stereotypes on issues such as sexism, racism and general oppression, in the form of discussions and asks them to relate it to their own lives.

"I think she's very encouraging and she doesn't offend anyone and she doesn't take offense when people don't understand or agree," said senior Wendy Mitzel. "She just wants people to try and understand different points of view and

Although dealing with a sensitive and sometimes controversial subject, Blake allows her students to discuss their feelings openly in class.

"It's not a class where they learn who did what

explained. "People like to say that it doesn't mat- and when," Blake explained. "The focus is on ter what race, gender or sexual orientation you communication and group progress. We talk

Whether an active feminist or just interested in In class, Blake confronts her students on the feminist movement, Blake focuses her class on ideas and opinions as opposed to ways of think-

> "It's challenging in that it makes you examine your ideas," sophomore Pam Mitzelfeld said. "The class is a thought-provoking experience, sometimes positive and sometimes negative."

> Outside OU, Blake acts on what she believes. As the joint owner of a feminist bookstore in Ferndale, called "A Woman's Prerogative," Blake offers literature about women and by women to the public in an attempt to educate.

> > See DIVERSE page 11

## Reliving memories

By ERICA BLAKE Features Editor

Terry Waite's words filled the OC Crockery last Monday, captivating both students and staff with stories on the hostage crises and his 1,763 days spent in captivity.

While speaking to the audience on captivity in the Middle

East, Waite went back to a time when memories were all he had to keep himself going through years of his stolen life.

"You have the power to destroy my body, you have the power to bend my mind, but you don't have the power to possess my soul," Waite said, referring to his captors.

Waite lead his audience through his experiences beginning with his successes as a hostage negotiator in Iran and continued on to tell of how he became involved in the Beirut hostage situ-

**LECTURER:** Former hostage As a hostage nego-Terry Waite signs a book after tiator, Waite knew of the his lecture last Monday. risks he was taking and, as he explained, was

ready to accept the consequences.

"My stomach ran cold because I realized my situation had changed. I was no longer a hostage negotiator, I was now myself a hostage," Waite said, when describing how he had been lead into a trap. "I have no regrets and it's not bravado. I hope I have the courage to do it again."

Waite spoke of his experience as one of solitude and darkness with only his active mind saving him from slipping into the trap of giving up.

"I used to think solitude and solitary confinement would drive you mad," Waite said. "I learned that you can embrace solitude and that lonliness can be converted into constructive

See WAITE page 11



GO FISH WISH: From left, Christina Trogan, Kate Kenney, Robert Enell, Shannon Gottschalk and Tiffany Bobek have been working on a creative writing publication since the beginning of the semester. The group hopes to supplement the current collection of student publications.

gives an outlet for creative writing. We can have an outlet, and express ourselves in an intelligent and creative way."

> -- Kate Kenney Go Fish Wish co-founder

## Quick cash is a gamble

By JEREMY HULL Staff Writer

Like many college students who must bear the financial burden of paying for tuition and books, Kim Walters was usually broke and always on the prowl for a way to make money. Her job as a personal trainer just made her break even with her checkbook, but left her with nothing for the weekend. That was until she visited the Casino Windsor and discovered the meaning of easy

"Gambling is a way to get rich quick," says Walters. "But when you don't know your limits you're headed for destruction."

Detroit has always been something that has remained on the desks of the mayor or the governor, always an idea that works great on indian reservations but never truly gathering universal support for one in the city.

With something such as gambling, where it can become an addiction, it has it's pros and cons. Those who support the idea, saying it would create jobs while also bringing money into the city, and those who oppose it, warning of the troubles it brings.

The city of Detroit has wrestled with the idea of a casino for 18 years, the final "yes" coming on August 2, when Detroiters voted for a casino. The final "no" coming in September when Gov. John Engler vetoed the proposal, saying it would create a string of casinos outside reservations that would not only hurt the tribes, but the state's econ-

and Advertising Coordinator for the Casino dence halls. Windsor, the results have been positive.

"Crime has gone down ten percent and retailers in Windsor have noticed a rise in business, as well," Johnson said.

So where do OU students such as Walters, who are tempted by the lure of the lights and the chance for big winnings, fit into this? Is there cause for alarm? Not if they're smart, says Johnson.

"Most university students are well developed and disiplined, and would probably not go overboard if they came to the casino," she said. "I know if I had an extra \$20 when The idea of casinos in or around Metro I was in college I probably wouldn't blow it at the casino. I would have used it to party."

For now, Metro Detroiters will have to wait to hear from Gov. Engler's 13-member commission, which will study the effects of gambling in Michigan and ultimitely have the final say.

But even if a casino in Detroit isn't passed until present OU students are old and grey, notwithstanding that some of them aren't, Windsor is to some students the same distance as Detroit.

"If I had the urge to go gambling, which I never have, it wouldn't matter if it was in Detroit or Windsor," says 24-year-old Brian Gaunt of Royal Oak. "They're too far from me to blow all of my money on one night

While the appeal of gambling so close to home may appeal to many who can scrape together enough of their weekly check for a Windsor decided to go ahead with their night out at the casino, it hasn't even crossed

plans and open their casino in May and so the mind of those OU students who don't far, says Noreena Johnson, Public Relations have a job, or are currently living in the resi-

> Carolyn Mackie, 22, a former resident in the dorms at OU and now commuting from her home in Southfield, laughs at the idea of gambling while living on campus. "With what? Where do you get money to gamble with when you're taking four classes and living in the dorm without a job? It's impossi-

For now then, it would seem that casinos around the Metro Detroit area won't do much damage to a student if they're tenacious enough in their studies not to get fooled into going all the way with their

"Wrong," said Walters. "Being at a casino is just like being anywhere fun when you have a lot of money, you're going to spend it no matter what. It's just that with gambling, you may take home a little bit more than you came in with, and then again, you many not."

One thing that is on the minds of many students is the threat of addiction to gambling, which could not only bring down a student financially, but academically as well if they spend more time in front of the slot machines than in front of the books. Johnson believes that a student wouldn't succumb to the addiction of gambling.

"In order to be a college student, you have to be disiplined and intelligent, and I don't think someone enrolled in a university would be dumb enough to spend their money without thinking.

## **CIPO** This Week!

**CIPO Programs** 

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

The Leisure Class Series:

The CPR Class will be given October 20 and October 27 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. You may still sign up for the class at the CIPO Service Window or at the first class.

Fall Blood Drive

This year's Blood Drive will be held on October 31 and November 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms.

The Red Cross supplies more than 90% of the blood used in Detroit metro hospitals. In order to meet those needs, it must collect over 1000 pints of blood every day. Every pint of blood collected has potential to save three lives. The most common type of blood, O+, is also the type that is most in demand.

You can give blood every eight weeks. So if you are a veteran of donating, or going to donate the first time, make an appointment to give blood. It does not hurts and you cannot get AIDS from giving blood. Although walk-ins will be accepted, it is important to make an appointment by October 27, so the Red Cross will staff us to level which a donation will take from 30 -45 minutes.

It is easy to make an appointment to give blood. Simply visit or call CIPO (49 Oakland Center, 2020) or stop by one of the Blood Drive set up around campus.

If you cannot give blood, please volunteer to assist with the drive. call 370-2020 to volunteer.

### Hearing-impaired student overcomes challenges Communicating is often a dif-knows sign language. He admits By KRISTEN SMITH "All the people I know (at that it is frustrating at times and

Staff Writer

School, like evrything else, is what you make of it. For OU through an interpreter.

Although Milo can read lips OU has made his experience here easier for him by providing an interpreter to accompany him to his one class this semester, Handicap and International student Advising provides this service to make learning much easier for hearing-impaired OU students.

It is this service and the fact that he finds OU to have a friendlier atmosphere that prompted Milo to attend OU in lieu of Macomb Community College and OCC, both schools he had previously attended.

OU) are really more friendly and they've been nice to me especially the people in my math class," said 26-year-old Milo, student Thomas Milo, everyday Mechanical engineering major. is a new challenge. Instead of lis- "I have five friends in there, they tening to the lectures, Milo, who are really nice people and they is hearing impaired, reads them are very good about communicating with me."

ficult thing for Milo who finds there are not many people who know sign language, making every attempt at communication a challege. Milo feels that sign language is an important skill that everyone should know.

the only one in his family that



AGAINST THE ODDS: Hearing-impaired student Thomas Milo reads signs from an interpreter during his tutoring session.

he is sometimes depressed by

"They talk and I speech read," Milo said. "I told my parents I want them to learn sign language but they said, you know, As the oldest of three, Milo is we don't have enough time, we're busy."

> He hopes that maybe in the future they will have time to learn some sign language. His family like many other people rely on his ability to read lips and his ability to speak.

Although Milo can speak, his voice is a bit quieter making it difficult for others to understand, however, he finds many people are surprised at how well he can speak and admits that he can talk well.

"My speech is really good,

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### **OU EVENTS**

The Department of Music, Theatre and Dance presents the student production Stags and Hens, starting Friday, October 21 with Friday and Saturday performances at 8 p.m. and a Sunday performance at 2 p.m. through October 30. Call 370-4450.

Visual SPB Performing Arts presents Like Water For Chocolate, on Friday at 7 p.m. in 201 Dodge Hall. Free admission. SPB will offer entries for free Pistons tickets.

Student Program Board presents chamber music Seven and Less in Varner Recital Hall on Saturday at 8 p.m. Call 370-4296.

The Department of Music, Theatre and Dance sponsors Arts at Noon in Varner Recital Hall, from noon to 1 p.m. on Tuesday. Admission free. Call 370-2030.

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### **FILMS**

The Environmental Film Series continues with Only One Earth: Fate of the Forest in Annex I of the Oakland Center from noon to 1 p.m. on Thursday.

The Detroit Film Theatre at the DIA presents Charulata-The Lonely Wife, the second of the movie directed by Satyajit Ray shown. The movies will be shown on Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Devi, another film by Ray will be shown on Sunday at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Call (313) 833-2323.

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

This week's quote is: "Fred Astaire was a great dancer, but Ginger Rogers had to do everything he did, backward and in highheels!" Texas Governor Ann Richards

## Sports

## Pioneer of the Week



Ari Koss 5-5 Junior Forward Men's Soccer

Koss had a pair of assists in helping the Pioneers to a 4-0 victory over Michigan on Saturday night at Rochester High School. Koss assisted on OU's second goal, scored by Andreas Papoutsis, and on the Pioneers' fourth goal, scored by Eli Tiomkin. Koss has played in six matches since recovering from a preseason ankle injury and has two goals and four assists for eight points.

### The Pioneer **Dirt Box**

Cross Country-

• At the Grand Valley State Invitational, the Pioneer men took a pair of runners, with freshman Jason Ballard placing eighth with a time of 27:00 and freshman Bryan Nance finishing 30th with a time of 28:21. Junior Rita Lucio was Oakland's only representative in the women's race. She placed 17th with a time of 21:33.

### This Week in Pioneer Sports

Wed., Oct. 19, - Men's Soccer at Siena Heights, 3:30 p.m.

- Women's Soccer at Saginaw Valley State, 3 p.m. Fri., Oct. 21, - Volley ball at Madonna, 7 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 22, - Cross Country hosts GLIAC Championships, Women's Race at 10 a.m., Men's Race at 11

- Swimming hosts Pioneer Invitational, 12 p.m.

- Men's Soccer at Lewis, 2

Sun., Oct. 23, - Women's Tennis at Northwood, 12

- Women's Soccer vs. Eastern Michigan, 2 p.m.

- infomation compiled by Andy Glantzman, Sports Infomation Director

## Persistence pays off

By ERIC DeMINK Sports Editor

> Harvard of the west? Oakland University?

Probably not, unless you are looking at student athletes.

The retention rate for that group in the 1992-93 academic year was 92 percent. That was an 11 percent jump from the report compiled for the 1991-92 academic year. Non-athletes improved nine percent in that same time frame.

In the 1991-92 report, Oakland ranked eighth out of 10 schools in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference based on statistical information submitted to the NCAA.

As of 1992, the NCAA required that Division II schools (such as Oakland) release annual retention rate reports. Retention rates (also commonly known as persistence rates), according to William Macauley, political science chair, are based on a canvassing of the entire undergraduate population, to determine the number of students who remain in school (those who are "retained") for a given

A persistence rate percentage is arrived at by dividing the number of those students by those enrolled. The report then is broken down to compare rates for non-athletes and athletes.

"The persistence rate report is a truth in advertising device that the NCAA uses to monitor colleges and universities," Macauley said. "Prospective students and the public can have access to enough information to decide whether or not they want to attend the school."

By comparison, NCAA Division I schools, rather than retention rates, are required to submit data for graduation rates because of the far greater number of scholarships that they can offer, according to Greg Kampe, interim athletic director at OU.

Because few schools in Division II compile this information (Oakland was not one of them) and are not required to do so, data for graduation rates is not available, according to Tom Brown, GLIAC commissioner.

"Currently, Division II and III

schools are using retention rates but are moving toward graduation rates," Todd Petr, assistant director of research at the NCAA News

A study of persistence rates for schools within the GLIAC (in which Oakland is a participant) shows across the board that a greater percentage of athletes complete a calender year of schooling than do non-athletes.

Graduation rates for Division I schools in the state of Michigan are up to 20 percent higher for non-athletes.

For example, based on the most recent NCAA figures released, the freshman graduation rates for 1987-88 show the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor graduated 85 percent of all its 87-88 freshman class but only 76 percent of its student athletes. Michigan State University graduated 72 percent of its students and 52 percent of its student athletes.

Nevertheless, the trend is not necessarily consistent nationally. Graduation rate reports for the

301 Division I institutions in the See PERSIST page 10

## GLIAC report card

Persistence rate	percentages		
School	All Students	Athletes	Year
Ferris State	40 %	73 %	91-92
	56 %	86 %	92-93
Grand Valley	57 %	66 %	91-92
	78 %	83 %	92-93
Hillsdale	75%	83 %	91-92
	inc	complete	92-93
Lake Superior	49 %	58 %	91-92
	67 %	82 %	92-93
Michigan Tech	73 %	88 %	91-92
	84 %	89 %	92-93
Northern Michigan		65 %	91-92 92-93
	66 %	78 %	92-93
Northwood	73 %	76 %	91-92
	70 %	88 %	92-93
OAKLAND	66 %	81 %	91-92
	75 %	92 %	92-93
Saginaw Valley	67 %	78 %	91-92
	inc	complete	92-93
Wayne State	65 %	77 %	91-92
	67 %	82 %	92-93

Spikers lose another

at home to Tartars

By JEFF AISTHORPE

Oakland's volleyball team took

another step in the wrong direc-

tion Wednesday night as it

dropped its third match in a row,

losing to Wayne State in four

doing great things," Coach Tracey

"I tell them (the team) that we're

games, 15-7,12-15, 15-13,15-6.

Staff Writer

## Pioneers trap Wolves, 4-0

By KEN FILLMORE Staff Writer

A University of Michigan football defeat seems to cut deep into the hearts of fans and students alike.

The Wolverines men's soccer team looked to be carrying the baggage of the Penn State shocker. It looked listless and conservative as Oakland defeated the visitors from Ann Arbor, 4-0, on a cool Saturday night at Rochester High School.

In the early stages of the match, U-M hadthe edge when it rang a shot hit off the crossbar. But any momentum it had was deflated when at 6:48 U-M defender Josh Luetz kicked a crossing pass by junior midfielder Chad Schomaker into his own net. No points are credited to the scoring team on an own

The seventh-ranked Pioneers (10-1-1) took command from that point on, and turned away all U-M scoring chances had in front of goalkeepers Amir Tal

"I thought the guys played very well. I thought they kept the pace of the game up for the entire game. It was nice to see. I thought it was a real good, consistent effort," head coach Gary Parsons said.

"The couple lapses that we had, they weren't big ones," he said. "Unfortunately, you can go into lapses that could last 10 or 15 minutes. But, I really thought they kept the level of the game up, played hard the whole way, and they moved the ball well. I thought it

Freshman midfielder Andreas Papoutsis dunked home his fourth tally of the season into an empty net at 37:30, after junior forward Ari Koss' penetration toward the net and pass had set him up.

The Pioneers scored twice in 21 seconds in the second half for insurance.

Sophomore midfielder Anthony Verrino's scored on a blast to the right of goalkeeper Chris Dowe, off an

**Professional Sports** 

Sophomore midfielder, Anthony Verrino (left).

assist by senior forward Eli Tiomkin at 69:26. For Verrino, it was his second of the year.

The Pioneers' fourth goal was Tiomkin's seventh of the season. It came when he took a pass from Koss and put the ball under the attacking Dowe, who left his crease. Tiomkin rolled it just past the goal line from about 30 yards out at 69:47.

With about 17:20 to play, OU cleared its bench to give the reserves a chance to play in front of a festive crowd of 548 and take part in the Pioneers' 17th win in as many meetings over Michigan, its best record against any one opponent.

Tal, a freshman, made two saves in 73 minutes to earn credit for his seventh shutout of the season.

Actionagainst Division I opposition is not taken into account in determining a team's selection into the NCAA Division II Tournament, but, Parsons said it matters that his squad looks impressive See BLUE page 10

Bearden said. "We can't have mental lapses, right now we're a great sideout team." Unfortunately getting the ball back doesn't put points on the scoreboard. OU finished the match with a .155 attack percentage, compare that to a season percentage of .235 and you see the problem is finishing. Oakland dropped the first game to the Tartars, 15-7, but came back to win the second 15-12 and appeared to be back on track. However, whatever momentum it had gained was lost in the third set in a close 15-13 battle. Indeed, that turned out to be all the Pioneers

with a crushing 15-6 defeat. The loss dropped OU's record to 12-8 overall, and 6-4 in GLIAC play. "They blocked well, and we weren't stopping it," Bearden said. Although WSU (13-3, 7-3 in

could muster as the fourth ended

GLIAC) made more mistakes than Oakland, it couldn't capitalize on Juniors Karen Ill and Nicole

Freshman Nicole Zimmerman Caputo led the offense, Caputo with 29 assists, and 11 digs and Ill with 13 kills and 21 digs. Senior Amy Ruprich also had a good game with six kills, one block and seven block assists to lead the

"No one's walking around hanging their heads," Bearden

It's well they shouldn't.

OU lost three games to teams with a combined overall record of

## Hockey's demise: The writing is in the checkbook

signs coming. The writing was on the wall, but I didn't want to admit that it could happen. But, my idealism was stomped flat by the ever heavy foot of greed.

The National Hockey League is not playing yet. The club's owners have stopped the season in order to negotiate a collective bargaining agreement with the

They say they are losing money through escalating player salaries. The players, having been given a very generous and ever growing piece of the pie, don't want to see the escalating salaries end. Even as I write this, the small whimper in my mind says yet again, "NO"!

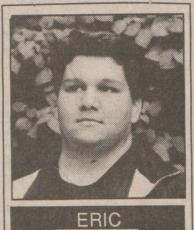
Detroit Red Wing fans have had enough grief over the years, even without the strike. Remem-

loss to Toronto? Blowing a 3-1 series lead to St. Louis? Or better yet, just last season, we all watched in horror as goalie Chris Osgood misplayed a puck right onto the stick of a San Jose forward and BAM! The season's over, just like that.

I have to admit, when I heard that the NHL was postponing its games, I suddenly got those same feelings of shock, anger, and sadness that I felt last spring when the lowly Sharks unceremoniously dumped the mighty Wings.

People have tried to console me over the fact that the NHL is shut down. Look, these very nice people say, there is always the Detroit Vipers, the new local International Hockey League team that plays at the Palace. I politely reply that that is like cancelling Christmas and putting Flag Day argue. Sure it is. Hockey is just a game like nuclear war is just a

The sad part is that in the end, whether it's hockey or its troubled cousin baseball, it is the fans that



No. No. No. I had seen the ber that seventh game overtime in its place. It's just a game, they will suffer the most. After the dust for five more years) must be reclears and we can assess the damage, the players will still have their million dollar signing bonuses. The owners will still make their financial killing through luxury suites, rising ticket prices, and three-dollar hot dogs. The fans, whether it's the stats junkie, fight monger, or student of the game, lose.

They lose their heroes. Professional athletes now look like nothing more than millionaire spoiled brats rather than the glorified warriors we all thought they were.

They lose their continuity. At one time October meant the World Series, the start of the hockey season, and Halloween. With that, I'm waiting for Jack O'Lantern's agent to burst into some office and say that his client's market value has increased so his contract (valid

negotiated. "These kids all wear costumes that bear a likeness to my client," he says. "Shouldn't he be properly compensated for his likeness?"

But the worst thing the fans lose is faith. Faith that an institution has fallen, ground to a halt by meddling idiots who cannot exercise a little discipline. Read that sentence again. Can it not as easily describe a government, or many other things? When sports fall can more precious things be that far behind? Put in those terms, the money the two sides squabble over is incredibly insignificant.

I love hockey. I love going to games, watching them on TV and talking about the big save from the pad of Osgood or the incred-

See HOCKEY page 10

## Caputo: Small in stature, big in heart

By JEFF AISTHORPE Staff Writer

While gifted, talented and blessed are all words often used to describe athletes that excel in their sport, terms such as hustling, hard working, and disciplined are used for athletes who are overachievers making the most out of their minimal natural ability.

the shortest player on OU's volleyball team, but she is talented.

Just talk to any of her teamsetter/defensive specialist and they will all tell you the same thing, "She's very hard working."

Caputo, 20, is in the midst of her third year on the squad. Her versatility is evidenced by her tion and the back row.

Caputo is also beginning to emerge as a mentor for some younger players.

isn't good enough," senior Amy Ruprich said. "She expects a lot out of her teammates.

equally as impressed with her different the next." drive and desire.

ing on it," Bearden said.

Caputo has been playing competitive volleyball since sixth grade. After leading Portage Central High School to a regional title in 1990, she realized her volleyball career would eventually take her to college.

While in school, she was re-At 5'6", Nicole Caputo may be cruited by Eastern Michigan, and several other schools, but chose Oakland.

As a freshman she had 133 digs mates or coaches about the junior and an outstanding serving percentage of .979.

Last year as a sophomore, Caputo made Academic All-GLIAC and led the Pioneers in digs (210) and service aces (25).

Unfortunately Caputo endured shuffling between the setter posi- a coaching change each of her three years on the team and early on was looking for some kind of lead-

"She's stubborn, second best says of the revolving door of coaches which is not a characteris-

tic of most successful teams. "You learn one philosophy one Coach Tracey Bearden was year and something completely

"She knows she has to be more coaching, Caputo was lucky to love. of a team leader and she's work-find it in former All-GLIAC setter Natalie Koan.

"She was a great person to follow," Caputo said.

Because of her height, Caputo's value to the team often goes unnoticed in the stat book. She doesn't always get the "marquee" stats, the kills or blocks that taller play-

But one talk with her coach leaves no doubt as to her importance to this volleyball team.

"Nick'sawesomedefensively," Coach Bearden said. "She's a great kid and one of the best passers in the league."

This season, Caputo refers to the team's 1-5 start this season as a "smack in the face, especially for the returning players."

It shouldn't have been this way, according to Caputo.

OU was coming off its first NCAA tournament bid with many "It's been different," Caputo key players returning. Since its dismal start, the Pioneers won 11 of its next 14 games and now stand at 12-8, with a 6-4 GLIAC record.

As with most athletes, Caputo abhors the rigorous conditioning and three hour practices. But for Lacking any leadership in her volleyball is truly a labor of

"What do I enjoy most?," she asks herself.

"The competition, the way everyone works for one another instead of against one another," is

This season the junior is continuing her trademark dead-eye serving at a 97 percent clip. She is one of only two Pioneers who've played every game of every match, and is second on the squad in service aces with 17.

Despite her workmanlike approach to the game, there is a lighter side to the diligent Caputo.

"When I first met her she was shy and quiet," teammate and roommate Ruprich said.

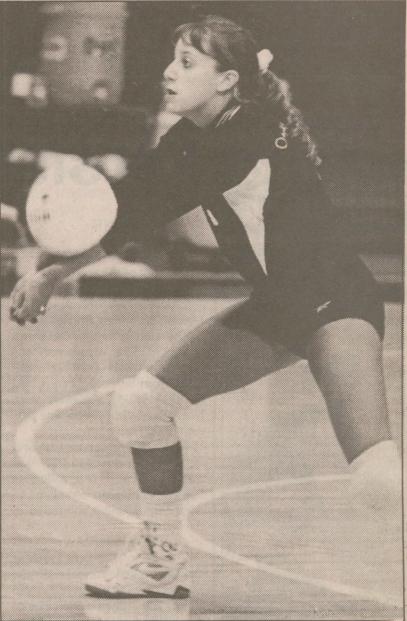
"She's not quiet at all, she's funny and extremely sarcastic."

Applying the same ethic to academics, Caputo, an elementary education major, is carrying a 3.25

Caputo loves country music, despises Nine Inch Nails and longs for her mom's home cooking.

"She's a very picky eater," Ruprich said laughing.

Picky, yes, because she knows what she wants and goes after it.



**Junior Nicole Caputo** 

Photo by Bob Knoska

## Pioneers defensive about loss to Lewis

By KEN FILLMORE Staff Writer

The women's soccer team valiantly kept pace with 12th-ranked Lewis University Saturday to ease growing pains, but fell to LU, 2-0 on a cloudy, cool Saturday afternoon in Romeoville, Ill.

OU (3-5-1) showed more concern for its own end like it did a week before against one of the country's top teams in Mercyhurst College. But it had to find midfielder a way to become offensiveminded quickly.

A long shot by LU's Stacey Peterson snuck under freshman goalkeeper Leila Beydoun at 3:22

to give LU all it needed. "When it (LU) scored the early goal, it was tough (to comeback and readjust the game plan). We had to look for counters," Assistant Coach Nick O'Shea said. "Once it got the goal, it did not in that direction. have to push as hard."

Carissina Nigrelli's goal at 80:43 iced the win. Goalkeeper Tisha McDonald made one save to secure the shutout.

The 17-1 shot-on-goal advan-

the Pioneers had more opportunities and spent more time in the opposition's territory than it did against Mercyhurst.

OU's best chance came on its only corner kick situation.

Senior forward Genevieve Long, who delivered the only shot on goal, sent the corner kick toward the goal, and the ball nearly went in. As the ball went along the goal line, McDonald grabbed it, as a charging freshman

Jessica Mrozek came into contact with her. Mrozek was whistled for a foul and LU escaped without further damage.

O'Shea said that Mercyhurst was the better team than Lewis, but nonetheless, a lesson was learned from both powerhouses. His players found out what it takes to reach such a caliber, and the work ethic that will take them

"We were confident that we were able to hang with them (Lewis)," O'Shea said. "We're really not that far away. We just have to bring in a few players, here or there. We do not have to tage for Lewis was deceiving as make wholesale changes."

### Netters are hanging on

By STAFF

After winning five out its first six, the OU women's tennis team dropped two costly matches to Wayne State (1-8) Oct. 5 and Hillsdale (4-5) Oct. 15 to flirt with mediocrity.

It was costly for the Pioneers (5-3,5-3 overall), because it put them in the precarious position of having to beat Northwood Oct. 23 to secure seedings heading into the GLIAC Tournament Oct. 28-29 at

The netters, who played some weaker squads early on, got its first reality check Sep. 17 against Ferris State in a 1-8 loss. Its second came Oct. 5 against Wayne State

by the same score. These are the two teams that are standing in the way of OU going anywhere in this GLIAC fall sea-

"FSU is still probably the team to beat, although they aren't as strong as they have been in the past," Coach Kris Jefferey said. "They are still beating everyone, but they're not blowing them out because the league is much stronger this year."

## Hockey

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ible goal by Fedorov on a feed from Coffey. I miss the Wings, the Flyers, the Rangers, the Nordiques and even those blasted Maple Leafs. I miss it all, and I'm hoping that more level heads will prevail so that I and other devoted followers can enjoy the great sport again. Until then, whenever we hear national sporting news, we will have nothing but football, football, football, labor negotiations, and the O.J. Simpson trial. I will make a serious effort not to jump out of a window during this time.

Maybe Flag Day isn't such a bad holiday, eh?

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regardless of the competition. "You got to show the NCAA,

going down the stretch, that you're playing better as you go and you're finishing strong. So we need to play well. They're all important,"

The night match at Rochester High showed the importance of having lights at Pioneer Field. Campus flyers and local newspaper advertisements were the only means used for drawing people.

According to Parsons, who has an idea in mind, 7000 free tickets were to be given out to local youth soccer leagues, but he did not get the mailing list in time from the state association.

"I think if we had lights, we play on Friday nights, and we market the games to the youth in the local area, we can draw a thousand people per game easy," Parsons said. "And for big games, you can draw a couple of thousand people."

"They're going to be paying customers because the community is interested in it. It's not just the campus, it's the community. You look up here and there's a lot more non-students than students. This is a soccer community in the area, and we need to cultivate that."

## **OU** intramurals

Achtung !!! Floor Hockey and women's basketball seasons are rapidly approaching. Rosters are now available for both sports at the Lepley Sports Center cage. Basketball rosters are due Monday, Oct. 17 and play will begin the week of Oct. 24. Floor hockey rosters are due Monday, Oct. 24 and play will begin the week of Oct. 31. Call x4059.

### Football Standings

Men		W-L		
Blue By You Two Fitz Big Guns 9-South Boyz 5-East Primetimers	3 1 1 0		0 1 3 2	
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Wednesday, Oct. 12,

Blue By You II 28, 9-South Boyz 14

### Softball Standings

Coed	W-L		
Fully Loaded	3 - 0		
Reynolds Rap	3 - 1		
9-South/7-North	0 - 3		

Wednesday, Oct. 12,

Reynolds Rap 23, 9-South/North 2

Soccer Standings

Men	1	V-	L
Askikers	6	-	0
Individuals	5	-	1
Habibes	4	-	1
Jay D. and Leaf	4	-	2
Theta Chi	3	-	2
All-Star West	3	-	3
University Drive Bullies	3	-	3
CHAOS	3	-	4
Kings International	1	-	5
Steamars	0	-	5
Staff Infection	0	-	5

Tuesday, October 11,

Theta Chi 2, Individuals 1 CHAOS 6, All-Star West 2 Askikers 9, University Drive Bullies 3 Habibes 2, Jay D. and Leaf 0

Thursday, October 13,

Theta Chi 4, CHAOS 1 Habibes 5, Individuals 4 Askikers 3, All-Star West 2 Univ. Dr. Bullies 7, Kings International 3 Jay D. Leaf 3, Steamers 1

-Stats and results compiled by Wendy Gerstenschlager

## **Persist**

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U.S. show 57 percent for athletes and 56 percent for non-athletes. But the four year average was 55 percent for non-athletes to 54 percent for athletes.

As to why persistence rates might be higher for student ath- stress the importance of academletes at schools such as Oakland, Kampe believes there is a valid

"What we have in place in our athletic programs is a tremendous support system and a rigid rule system based on satisfactory progress," he said.

For example, Kampe said that athletes at Oakland have access to and are encouraged to use study tables (supervised by individual coaches). Tutoring is also available through the Academic Skills Center if they are experiencing further difficulties. The results have been pretty positive.

"The perceived emphasis is that athletics are anti-academic, but the fact is that over 50 percent of our athletes have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher," he said. "We stress to all of our athletes that they are here to get an education and that they can use athletics as a springboard to their success."

So why might student athletes show better persistence rates than non-athletes?

JimSurowiec, an All-American and national champion swimmer at OU from 1986-90 believes the answer is in the discipline.

"As a team we practiced together twice a day, we got up at 5:30 a.m., we swam, we had class then practice. Some of us lived together and a lot of us studied together," he said.

Surowiec was also quick to

He said that the team set as a goal to maintain as a GPA of over 3.0 because they knew in the back of their minds that if they weren't academically sound, they wouldn't be able to do what they liked doing, swimming.Nor would any athlete be able to compete if they did not maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA for a 12 credit hour semester.

But what do these numbers all

Unless you are big on statistics, and depending on which end of the scale your school sits, you can be skeptical how valid the num-

Tracy Huth, head women's swimming coach at OU, feels the numbers like any other statistical information are relative.

"The thing of it is that you get freshmen coming in, and they might be in camp for only a week or two then they quit or whatever happens to them and if their name

appears on your roster then you are responsible for them whether they finish school or not, and that statistic figures into that persistence percentage. So I believe its all relative. That then really isn't fair because it reflects on the university."

According to NCAA rules if an athlete or non-athlete is offered or has received aid, then transfers or drops out or is found academically ineligible, that student continues to figure in retention statis-

"It's tough to get a real clear picture of what's really going on," Macauley said. "I mean, how do you interpret (figures) accurately when you have so many students transferring in and out of schools. And as far as retention rates go," he continued," the student could have 400 credits and go to school for fifteen years and not graduate. I guess the key element is the psychological attachment to the school."

Kampe agreed.

"Numbers can be misleading. If you apply them to sports such as soccer or basketball or swimming where we've had a coach spend a few years here and be relatively successful, that's fine,"

"But if you look at volleyball program where there has been a big turnover of coaches in the past, the percentages are going to re-

### Fish

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one of the founders of Go Fish Wish, sophomore Kate Kenney. "The best thing about putting this together is getting the feeling that we can produce this on our own. We can have an outlet, and express ourselves in an intelligent and creative way."

Just how creative? Well, besides including original artwork and writings, Kenney and her counterparts are also trying to keep as much of the poetry in its oringinal pen as possible, to preserve the mood and feeling in which it was written.

"There is something about handwriting that expresses emotion," said another writer, Tiffany Bobek. "You can see and tell what emotions are in the poem without even having to read it. We'd like to keep it that way."

So far, the process of making a zine has been a little on the slow side because of costs. Go Fish Wish is an entirely independent project, which means the writers and artists are paying for it out of their own pockets. Although they are considering becoming a campus organization, being independent lets members express themselves freely, and not worry about being fettered with the chains of censorship.

"The writing isn't going to be judged by anybody," Shannon Gottschalk said, a contributor to the zine. "There isn't any censorship at all."

Although the members have various computers at their disposal, they are putting Go Fish Wish together in a cut and paste fashion, then travelling to the local Kinko's for a xeoroxing session. They are hoping (and wishing) to have the first issue out by the end of this week. The issue will be free, but donations would be appreciated.

There are thousands of zines circulating the globe, but many concentrate on only one topic. Contributors feel it is its divers nature which makes this one unique

"The big difference between us and other zines is that many are dedicated to music. This is based on poetry and expression," Bobek said.

So far, Go Fish Wish is the newest and only zine on campus.

"Any other forms of expression similar to it would probably have to come from the underground," said contributor Robert Enell. "We came together in school because we had things in common."

The Go Fish Wish Club would also like to encourage anyone who is interested to submit their work to them. Kate Kenney believes that she is probably the most visible member on campus not only because she works on Campus Night Watch and is a director at the OU radio station, but also because of her intense, flame-like hair coloring.

"Just look for the girl with orange hair!" Kenney said. "It's not just for our friends. I should hope other people will join too."

### Waite

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solitude. I wrote my book in my head throughout those years."

Waite also set straight the reporting inacuracies which occured during his captivity, discrediting the rumors that he had been wearing a tracking device to meet with the hostage takers, thus provoking his capture.

"I assure you, had I been wearing a locator device you wouldn't be able to locate me here today because I would have been shot on the spot," Waite explained.

After years of physical deterioration and acute lonliness, Waite emerged with a new appreciation for freedom and a new outlook on life, a philosophy he shared with OU.

"Enable the weak to be strong, enable the strong to be just, but above all, enable the just to be compassionate."

## **Diverse**

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"Feminist bookstores were initially developed as a way to get the word out and continued on from there as a way to communicate," Blake said. "We saw a need for something like this when we moved here from a very active feminist community in Ann Arbor. It just seemed like the right thing to do."

While Blake feels comfortable with her identity, she has not been exempted from the hates and prejudices which arise.

"We recently received a death threat stuffed under our door which said 'Die Dike Die' signed 'the Clan'," Blake said. "This however, has been our first real negative reaction from someone. We've been absolutely fortunate and blessed."

Although admitting that it was scary, Blake refuses to be hindered by what she describes as lack of education among others.

"I could have stayed in the closet as a straight woman but both my partner and I realized that our silence could not protect us," Blake explained. "I'm at ease with who I am and although it doesn't take away the fear, it just felt like the right thing to do."

In addition to running a bookstore and working as a part time teacher, Blake also makes time for troubled women by operating a counseling office.

Blake, who received her Bachelor's degree in Psychology and her Master's in Social Work from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, explained that her feminist ideals are deep-rooted and although she has never considered herself a leader, she has always been supportive of the Feminist and Homosexual movements.

"I think I felt it all along how women and men were viewed and how the options offered to women were not as broad as those given to men," Blake said. "I wanted to help change that."

### Odds

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others are not so easy to understand." said Milo.

Doctors have pointed to nerve deafness, or when the nerves are not fused together correctly, as the reason for Milo's hearing problems.

Milo's mother realized he was hearing impaired when he was only one and didn't respond to her when she spoke.

Though his hearing has increased over the years, he now can hear loud distinct noises such as car horns, or the ringing of the telephone, human voices are still to muted for him to make out clearly.

"Hearing (to me) was a learning process, sounds help develop experience," said Milo. "I like the quiet much more."

Although doctors believe they could restore his hearing through surgery, Milo opts not to have the surgery because he enjoys the quiet. He now wears only one of his two hearing aids because wearing both usually gives him headaches.

"I like my life the way it is,"

When he does hear sound it is strange to him, and more often than not, bothers him.

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Milo believes that in some

environments, like the work place, being hearing impaired is an asset, simply because there are no distractions like music, or telephone calls.

telephone calls.

As a drafter for his father's company, Milo finds he can concentrate better on his work when

One thing Milo is emphatic about is equality for the hearing impaired.

"It's so easy for the hearing people to talk, how can we make it more fair." said Milo.

Even with the TDD system, typing messages in and sending them over the telephone wires, and the Michigan Relay Center (MRC), which is an operator gobetween, it is still difficult for the hearing impaired to get in touch with others. Milo hopes that one day every telephone will have the TDD system or even a hookup, for people to use their own systems.

Milo believes another major problem for the hearing impaired is in the work place, or the lack thereof. Milo feels that there is a continuous need to develop job training for the hearing impaired.

"I would like to talk to the Governor or the President and say to them, deaf people need jobs too, so many are poor and need jobs. I don't feel the government understands, things aren't fair."

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### Seven and Less

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Saturday, October 22 at 8:00 p.m., Varner Recital Hall

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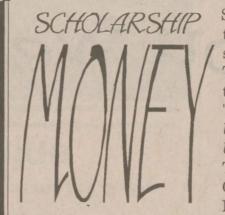
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