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## POLL OF THE WEEK

What's your opinion on pumpkin spice?

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## PHOTO OF THE WEEK

**REMEMBERING THE HEROES** // Army veteran Reed Kaiser led the Student Veterans of OU in a one-mile road march around Bear Lake in memory of the 15th anniversary of 9/11 on Friday, Sept. 9. A moment of silence was held, followed by carillonneur Dennis Curry performing a tribute from the Elliott Tower.

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Housing's James Zentmeyer and Chartwells' Mark McCormic discuss what's new in on-campus dining.

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## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

### SEPTEMBER 17, 1965

The Observer ran an article entitled, "A Challenge, Not a Charge," on the front page of the paper. It was a letter from the father of a child with brain damage that talked about how society viewed his son as a "fiend."

### SEPTEMBER 12, 2001

The Oakland Post ran a full special edition issue about the attacks on the World Trade Center. The issue contained student and faculty reactions as well as student predictions for the future.

### SEPTEMBER 10, 2003

Students faced internet connectivity errors throughout September. The university said this was due to the MsBlaster worm and the Welchia/Nachi variant. These viruses infected countless computers across campus.

## BY THE NUMBERS

### STUDENT LOANS

\$1.3 trillion

amount of outstanding student loan debt in the U.S.

300%

amount student loan debt has grown in the past eight years

\$37,172

average debt an American college student will graduate with

7 million

borrowers are currently in default of their loans

### Source:

[www.fastweb.com/financial-aid/articles/shocking-student-debt-statistics](http://www.fastweb.com/financial-aid/articles/shocking-student-debt-statistics)

# Looking Back

## Pets and partners: 30 years of on-campus housing changes

**Cheyenne Kramer**  
Web Editor

The rules of Oakland University Housing were much different 30 years ago than they are today.

For one, students used to be able to have “non-furred” animals in the dorms. This included birds and hamster. In an Oakland Sail article from Oct. 13, 1986, “Man’s best friends? Pets live in dorms,” some students said having pets was a huge reliever of stress, but others complained.

In the same article, a student graduate and former RA noted that the rules weren’t very strict. She once kept a cat in her dorm for a few months, and said the rules were in place just so things didn’t get out of hand.

Today, university residents are allowed a ten-gallon aquarium and are only allowed to have fish. Though of course students joke about what would happen if they brought a cat or dog to live on-campus and named it Fish.

Many students even had the chance to receive a free fish during the Student Program Board’s

fall carnival last week, as there was goldfish bowl decorating, complete with a free fish.

This wasn’t the only change happening in the resident halls 30 years ago. Back then, there was vague language in the Housing policy regarding overnight guests.

At the time, the policy stated that residents could not have guests of the opposite sex stay overnight. Students said they were being kicked out of their rooms for “sexual activity.”

A Housing Policy Committee was called to review the policy and offer input, but the representatives from each dorm were not permitted to vote on the new guest policy. As a result, many dorm representatives stepped down from their positions on the HPC.

At the time, a Michigan law stated that any man and a woman “not being married to each other who shall lewdly and lasciviously associate and cohabit together . . . shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.”

Times have changed, and today’s Oakland University residents are welcome to have overnight guests of the opposite sex.

### Reaction to Last Week’s Grizz Comic

Mr. Gilbert,

I am emailing you because you are listed as the editorial advisor for the Oakland Post.

The Sept. 7 issue of the Oakland Post has a comic by Derek Queen which was demeaning to mathematics at Oakland University. I have been a professor of mathematics at Oakland University for many years, and in all that time my number one priority has been student success and learning. I find the “comic” to be offensive, and it only serves to promote misconceptions that that too many people have about mathematics. I would think that the Oakland Post could find a more constructive way of using its space.

Needless to say, I am very disappointed in your paper.

Darrell Schmidt  
Professor of Mathematics, Department of Mathematics and Statistics

*Email printed with permission from Darrell Schmidt.*

### Corrections Corner

In our Sept. 7 article, “That’s not my name: New policy,” we erroneously reported that students will be able to use their preferred name on their student ID cards beginning in January 2017, according to mistaken information from our sources. The Oakland Post apologizes for the error.

In our Sept. 7 article, “Studying in Spain,” we stated that junior Natalia Boyko studied abroad in Spain this summer. She actually studied there for the winter semester.

In our Sept. 7 article, “Sorority looks toward altruistic future,” we wrote that OU’s chapter of Delta Sigma Theta was dormant for a year and a half. The sorority actually had one member during this period. Additionally, we stated that the sorority is recruiting this year, which is not true. They do, however, encourage interested girls to attend their events.

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Students can start their FAFSAs for the 2017-18 school year at midnight on Oct. 1, 2016, rather than having to wait until the previous start date of Jan. 1.

## FAFSA start date moves to Oct. 1 this year

*Changes allow students to view next year's financial aid months in advance*

**Shelby Tankersley**  
Campus Editor

In order to make the financial aid process easier for both college students and high school seniors, Federal Student Aid has moved the start date for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid to Oct. 1. Previously, the application didn't open until Jan. 1.

President Barack Obama made some changes to FAFSA in September 2015, and the new start date is the biggest of those changes.

### The Changes

According to the Federal Student Aid website, students can not only apply for FAFSA sooner, but they can also use their income information from the previous year.

In other words, the information students provided on their

FAFSA for the 2016-17 academic year will be the same information they apply with for the 2017-18 academic year.

The Federal Aid deadline, however, will not change. It is still June 30, and that is when all FAFSA forms will continue to be due. So, the changes add three months of extra time to do the paperwork.

### What the Changes Mean for Students

These changes most directly benefit high school seniors. By applying for FAFSA early, they will get a good idea of the scholarships and financial aid they can receive from the colleges they apply to. This will greatly assist them in picking out the college they will spend four-plus years giving their money to.

For the rest of us, it means that we will be doing FAFSA

around the same time we are studying for midterms.

Some government financial aid is given on a "first-come, first-serve" basis. So, even though there will be three months of extra time, it might not be a good idea for students to wait that long to complete their FAFSAs. Putting the books down and getting FAFSA over with could save money in the long run.

The application should also be easier to complete, since the Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA will be pulling up last year's income instead of new income.

An article in USA Today encouraged students to get ahead of the game by:

- Laying aside paperwork from last year's taxes.
- Keeping track of their account information for FAFSA because some security measures have changed on the site.
- Making sure their Federal Student Aid ID is squared away.

■ Applying early, so they can deal with any hiccups in the system sooner rather than later.

### What the Changes Mean at Oakland University

Some Oakland University students are understandably skeptical of the new process. While it might be a pain to complete the FAFSA so early, Student Financial Services sees it as a good change. For instance, students will know what their next financial year is going to look like months before it gets started.

"We are very excited that students will be able to complete their FAFSA much earlier than in previous years," said Cindy Hermesen, director of financial aid at OU. "Students will be very pleased to know their financial aid awards several months before school begins."

Hermesen said the school plans to get the word out about the new date through paper mail, email, social media, fliers

and even workshops, so students can be prepared for the change.

On top of financial aid priority, Hermesen said OU students who apply in the fall will start getting numbers this winter.

"It is always recommended that students complete their FAFSA as soon as possible to maximize their eligibility for awards," she said. "We plan to begin to send 2017-2018 financial aid award notifications in December so that students will know their financial aid awards several months before school begins in the fall 2017."

She also said Student Financial Services and their website will be available for help.

In the long run, both Federal Student Aid and OU's financial services office think these changes will be good for students.

Rather than dealing with paperwork while they are searching for a summer job, students can leave it where it belongs, in the past.



# Let them eat cake, and everything else being served in Vandy now

*Recent renovations spell new changes for students*

**Cheyenne Kramer**  
Web Editor

This year, Oakland University residents were greeted with a shiny new cafeteria in Vandenberg Hall. From the changes to the made-to-order station Menutainment to the inclusion of an on-site baker for desserts, Chartwells has stepped up its game to meet student demand.

James Zentmeyer, director of OU Housing, said that this past academic year, participation was substantially higher in the dining hall, meaning that more and more students are going there for their meals every day.

Below is a list of some notable changes that Chartwells has put through for this academic year.

## An increase in display cooking

Zentmeyer emphasized that the renovations in Vandenberg Hall allow students to watch more of their food being made.

The old Menutainment station now takes up the central area of the cafeteria and also hosts an expanded salad bar and deli.

"The salad bar . . . has a lot more cold holding space," said Mark McCormic, district manager of Chartwells. "The cold holding has been a big help to allow us to make the food in front of the guests rather than making it all in the back and holding it in a hot cabinet."

## Tilly's hours are different

The convenience store and sandwich station Tilly's, located inside of Oak View Hall, has altered hours for this academic year. Students may remember that for the past two years, the store was open until 2 a.m. every day of the week.

This year, the store hours have been altered. Monday through Thursday, the café will be open from 7 a.m. until 2 a.m. On Saturdays, it will be open from 7 a.m. until 10 p.m., and on Sundays it will be open from 10 a.m. until 11 p.m.

## Seating has changed

Inside Vandenberg, the location of the bar-style seating has changed. Instead of being right behind the soda fountains, individual seating now overlooks Bear Lake.



Elyse Gregory / The Oakland Post

A new refreshments machine is available to students the new and improved cafeteria.

"I never understood why a student would want to eat and stare at a wall," Zentmeyer said. "Now they have a view over campus."

In addition, the décor in the glass room has changed, with the photographs of landmarks around OU being replaced by photographs of food. In the main dining area, a large Grizz decal is placed right on the center support beam, and music now plays constantly in the cafeteria.

## One transfer per meal period

Students last year may have realized they could use a bunch of meal swipes at once through the use of transfer meals. This glitch in the Chartwells system has been fixed this year.

"The resident meal plans have always been intended to provide one meal per meal period," McCormic said. "The transfer meals were tricky to get to work with all of the locations that offered transfer meals."

He went on to explain that while this could have been changed last year, they decided to wait in order to prevent frustrating residents.

## Fourth meal

One of the more substantial changes happening in Chartwells this year is a complete renovation of the Late Night Snack, often referred to by students as "Fourth Meal."

This period wasn't originally intended to be a meal, but Zentmeyer explained that, for many students with abnormal schedules, this snack period becomes

their main meal.

"It's my favorite accomplishment of the renovations," Zentmeyer said. "It services students with off-ball schedules who see Late Night Snack as a meal."

The snack is now all-you-can-eat, and runs Monday through Thursday from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m.

"We are excited to hopefully get more guests at that time of night," McCormic said.

## More to come

Some may have noticed that Vandenberg's ice cream cooler is absent this year. It will be located near the desserts soon.

Zentmeyer confirmed the reason for its absence thus far is due to pieces arriving late and being incorrect. Within the next few weeks, the ice cream will be back as another dessert option for students.

These aren't the only changes in the new future for Chartwells, though. Zentmeyer said the renovations this summer were only part of what they plan for Vandenberg.

He explained that the goal is to move the G8 station to where the dish return and trash is, and put the trash in the corner where the G8 station is. The G8 station is Chartwells' allergy-safe station.

Zentmeyer hopes that with the move, there will be more room for prep work, cooking, storage and serving to happen right there at the station.

"It would offer even higher assurance that there's a lack of cross-contamination of allergens from other foods being prepared that day," Zentmeyer said.

## OU FOOD HACKS

Try using declining points on a cup of queso at Moe's, and get a transfer meal of fries and nuggets at Chic-Fil-A. Cheese fries, anyone?

Both Mark McCormic and James Zentmeyer recommend paying a bit extra at the Smokey Paws food truck to add pulled pork to your grilled cheese sandwich.

For something different, Friday at lunch you can get sliders. Zentmeyer says he tries to limit himself to only one, but with a plate of fresh sliders, can you really go wrong?

Check out Au Bon Pain late at night just before closing. Any fresh pastries from the morning are marked down half off.

Change up your salad by adding some items from the Mongolian Grill. More often than not, there's bell peppers, water chestnuts and even mandarin oranges or pineapple.

New flavor shots have been installed on the pop machines in Vandenberg. Try combining different flavors for a unique experience!

- 2 shots cherry + Mountain Dew = Game Fuel
- 2 shots cherry + 1 shot vanilla + Dr. Pepper = cherry vanilla Dr. Pepper
- 1 shot strawberry + 1 shot lemon + lemonade = strawberry lemonade
- ¾ glass of lemon lime soda, ¼ glass of apple juice = sparkling cider
- Sweeten up the unsweetened tea with two shots of your favorite flavor

My personal favorite: three shots of cherry in cherry Pepsi! Once the ice cream cooler is back, try making a root beer float or a Boston cooler by adding two scoops of vanilla ice cream and the soda of your choice. I hear blue moon ice cream and Sierra Mist is a good combo!

Compiled by Cheyanne Kramer,  
Web Editor



# Interested in being an agent? CIA to recruit on campus

*Government national security agency informs students on how to join*

**Robert Andrews**  
Staff Reporter

The Central Intelligence Agency will be making a visit to Oakland University on Wednesday, Sept. 14 in an effort to inform students about the agency.

This is the first time that the CIA has recruited at Oakland and the event will be held in the Lake Michigan on the lower level of the Oakland Center from 12 p.m. until 1 p.m. There will also be a complimentary lunch provided.

The recruiter is scheduled to go over the careers that the CIA has to offer to those who qualify, along with answering questions about the hiring process for the CIA.

Participants are encouraged to bring an updated resume to the session so the recruiter can review it. Those who couldn't attend on Sept. 14 will have another opportunity to meet with the CIA at the Fall Career Fair on Sept. 21.

"There are optional 30-minute advising sessions with the CIA recruiter and that is from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., in the career services office," office assistant Jordan Belanger said.

Students that had interest in the one-on-one meeting with the recruiters were able to sign up through career services. There were only six time slots for the one-on-one session and all spots are taken.

## What is the CIA?

Sixty-nine years ago, after World War II and at the start of the Cold War, President Truman signed and approved the creation of the CIA. According to the CIA's website, the CIA is a government agency that plays a major role in the United States' national security. Their primary tasks involve collecting, analyzing, evaluating and distributing foreign intelligence to assist the United States government.

Field agent or ethics counselor, the CIA offers careers in 50 different fields, providing a diverse number of options for candidates.

## Importance of academics

The CIA weeds out the top candidates when it comes to academics. Candidates should have a minimum college grade point average of 3.0, preferably in the fields of biological or chemical engineering, economics, finance, international business or relations and nuclear or physical science, according to [www.ciaagentedu.org](http://www.ciaagentedu.org).

They also require that the candidate be bilingual and pass a polygraph test, physical examination and a psychological examination.

In addition to the high standards of academics and the ability to pass multiple screen tests, the CIA also requires candidates to have previously lived in a foreign country, travel experience and strong knowledge of foreign countries.

Along with the CIA, other federal government agencies will also be on campus for the career fair.

More information about the CIA can be found at <https://www.cia.gov/careers>.

For additional information about CIA Day at Oakland and the Fall Career Fair, contact the Career Services office at 248-370-3250, by email at [careers@oakland](mailto:careers@oakland) or at [www.oakland.edu/careerservices](http://www.oakland.edu/careerservices).

## Quick Facts: The CIA

**1947** The year the Central Intelligence Agency was created.

**21,575** The estimated number of people employed by the CIA.

**Langley, Virginia** The location of the CIA headquarters.

**John O. Brennan** The current director of the CIA, who has been a part of the agency since 1980.

## Notable CIA interactions:

- U-2 shootdown (May 1960)
- Bay of Pigs (April 1961)
- Death of Osama bin Laden (May 2011)

More information about the CIA can be found at <https://www.cia.gov/index.html>

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# Student Org Spotlight: Catholic Student Society

Robert Ogg  
Intern Reporter

Sitting in the Oakland Center can be intimidating when it's crowded and you're alone. There are many students enrolled at OU who don't know anyone when they arrive on campus. Some may talk to acquaintances in class, but meaningful friendships can be hard to form. It can be difficult to make friends if you're a new student, a commuter or shy.

College isn't just about studying and academics. It's also meant to be an enriching social experience. If we explore OU outside the classroom setting, we have the ability to form memories and relationships that outlive our time as students.

There may be just 20 students in some of your classes, but there are thousands of students on campus. This university is too

big to ever feel like you're alone. OU has a club for just about everything. If you want to talk politics with people, OU has a club for that. Want to exercise in a group? There are clubs for that, too. Student organizations are a wonderful place to meet people who have common interests.

On Sept. 6 during Grizz Fest, many student organizations had the chance to promote their clubs. One club that had a booth was the Catholic Student Society (CSS).

The next day, the CSS welcomed new members in the CSA with an indoor picnic. Students of different majors, class standings and ages came together to discuss their faith, introduce themselves and eat snacks.

Already, friendships were beginning to form and new members were exchanging phone numbers. Students started talking about their personal lives,

their majors and OU. The gathering became something more than a faith-based club: it was a group of new friends brought together by a topic they're passionate about.

Charlie Donahue, treasurer of the CSS, believes the society is a great place to make friends.

"We have a diverse group of students who come to the meetings," he said. "We always have students who are of every class. From freshmen to senior and extra grades as well. There's a lot of diversity. There's a lot of interaction."

"We always try let everybody interact with one another at all of our meetings. We're always trying to do things that involve each other, so we're not just there for the speaker, so we're at least there for each other."

At the picnic, staff of the CSS recommended churches in Rochester near OU. They also of-

fered transportation to Sunday church for OU residents.

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Treasurer

"I think [the CSS] is important for students, especially freshmen who are coming away from home for the first time, to be able to be in a place where it's okay for them to hold on to their

faith," said Holly Ryan, president of the CSS.

Ryan expressed concern for students who lose faith after high school.

"So often, there's this idea that you have to put it all behind or you graduate as soon as you leave home and you can just forget your faith. It's really, really sad," she said.

Ryan encouraged others to hold on to their faith in college: "There are people who still hold this stuff dear and really close to their hearts."

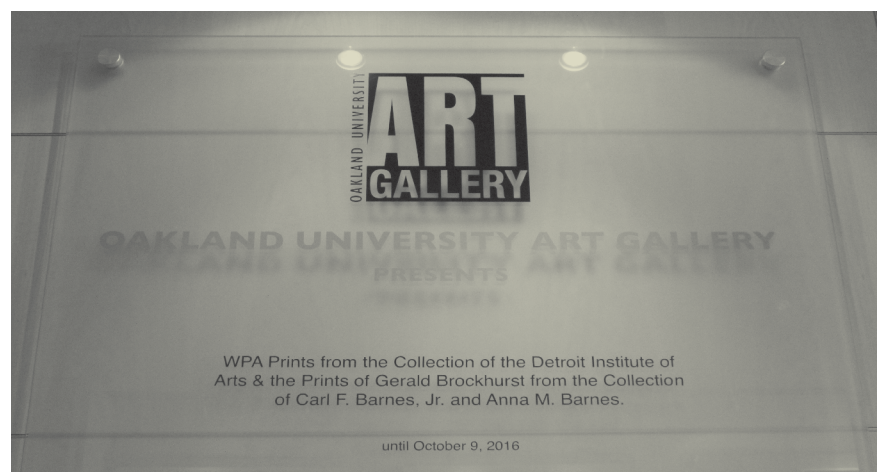
The CSS has many upcoming events and meetings to look forward to. Students interested in the Catholic Student Society can look them on Instagram (oucass), Grizz Orgs and Facebook. For more information on the Catholic Student Society, contact them at oucatholic@gmail.com.

For a full list of OU student organizations, visit Grizz Orgs.

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Nowshin Chowdhury / The Oakland Post

The art gallery's exhibit of WPA prints from the DIA will be displayed Sept. 9 to Oct. 9.

## OU Art Gallery exhibits prints donated by DIA

**Robert Andrews**  
Staff Reporter

The Oakland University Art Gallery welcomed a new exhibition featuring prints by Gerald Brockhurst and the Work Projects Administration on Friday, Sept. 9.

Work Projects Administration (WPA) prints from the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA) and Gerald Brockhurst prints from the Collection of Carl F. Barnes Jr. and Anna M. Barnes will be on display at the Oakland University Art Gallery (OUAG) until Oct. 9.

Dick Goody, chair of the Department of Art and Art History and director of the OUAG, curated the exhibit, which features 65 prints. The Brockhurst prints will later be gifted to the gallery.

"Any time we can partner with a great museum like the Detroit Institute of Arts, it fosters cultural exchange," Goody said.

The OUAG is taking a step back in time with this art form, as this exhibit's art style is different from most of the gallery's exhibits.

"Digital printing has taken over in the last ten years, and traditional printing techniques like etching and lithography are less practiced than they were," Goody said. "So it's nice to see a print exhibition which demonstrates the variety, prowess, and exacting techniques possible with traditional printing. Also, it is wonderful to see the incredible draftsmanship associated with print-making."

### Brockhurst Prints

The exhibit features 45 images from Gerald Brockhurst (1890-1978), who was a talented portrait painter during the 1920s and 1930s. By 1932, he was the

highest paid portrait painter in England.

The "Black Dress, 1927" and "Henry Rushbury No. 2, 1930" are two etchings that have great detail and demonstrate Brockhurst's work and techniques.

Much of Brockhurst's work is composed mostly of women in either headshots or portraits. Anaïs Folin and Kathleen Woodward, his first and second wives, were the primary models for his prints.

### WPA Prints

The DIA provided 20 WPA prints that take viewers back in time to the Great Depression. These prints were created during the 1930s and 1940s, and capture the struggles that many Americans went through during the Depression.

What's unique about these prints is that not only do they capture the struggles that the Great Depression caused these people, they also capture their uprising.

Many of these artists portray the reality of Work Projects Administration projects implemented by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt during the Depression.

Elizabeth Olds' (1896-1991) "Miner Joe, 1937, lithograph," is one of the more famous prints that the DIA has loaned Oakland. "Bricklaying, 1936/1943," by Adrian Troy (1920-1950) is another print that is on display at the gallery. The print, however, was created through the use of woodcuts.

The OUAG is open Tuesday through Sunday 12 p.m. until 5 p.m. It is also open during special events at OU and during Meadow Brook Theatre performances through the first intermissions.

Admission is free, and the gallery is located in 208 Wilson Hall, 371 Wilson Blvd.

## Makers' Studio provides space for innovation

**Faith Brody**  
Life Editor

What's gray, has the latest technology for modern art and is filled with the colorful minds of students?

The Makers' Studio, formerly known as the Art Garage, opened on June 22. This long-dreamed-of project was designed to give Oakland University's Art and Art History students and professors an open place to work.

"Even before we had a graphic design degree, we needed more space," said Dick Goody, associate professor and chair of the Art and Art History Department, via email. "Graphic design added over 200 [students] to our department, so our space needs became critical. Kevin Corcoran, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, was instrumental in securing the former garage, which was a godsend for us."

When the Art and Art History Department started adding new digital mediums to its course offerings, the need for space grew.

"Back then we had to put our new media students in one crammed computer studio with only twelve work stations," Goody added. "We also had a small former faculty office, which housed a laser cutter and small 3-D printer. We were bursting at the seams. More than anything, it was about meeting our needs and the new space does just that, which is truly exhilarating."

The studio is located in a 2,000-square-foot garage that is right next to the Police and Support Services building. Besides having state-

of-the-art work stations, there's an area for classes to be held. Huge windows bring in plenty of sunlight for students to work on projects and attend classes.

"The space itself is great, with its huge doors and soaring ceiling," Goody said. "It's the first day of term in the Makers' Studio, and anything seems possible."

According to a press release on the Art and Art History website, this is the first addition to the department in 11 years.

Even though the space is designed for art majors, Goody said the eventual goal is to include everyone in the campus community in the space.

"With all the equipment in there we have to be careful because everyone needs to be trained," he said. "Once we have a full-time technician working in the space, I think it could be a real possibility."

The studio offers top-of-the-line equipment to students and faculty, among them a 3-D printer, a laser cutter, an etching press and a spray booth, along with a work space dedicated to more traditional mediums like wood and metal.

"You can be working in the Makers' Studio, like it's 400 years ago, brushing oil paint onto canvas, and next to you there's someone making a high-density urethane sculpture, and next to them another person is writing code for the 3-D printer," Goody said. "The tools broaden the range of options, and from an artistic point of view, the more opportunities you have, the more creative you can be."

"We haven't really even begun to fulfill the range of possibilities. Right now, all we can do is see potential."



Bohdanna Cherstylo / The Oakland Post

Supervised students can check out the studio Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



# SPB Carnival wraps up Welcome Week

**Gina Navaroli**  
Intern Reporter

**O**akland University's campus authentically transforms into a full-on carnival for one night each year. On Friday, Sept. 9, Welcome Week came to a close as the Student Program Board threw their annual Welcome Week Carnival.

The event took place north of the Oakland Center, near Bear Lake. The location was a prime spot to watch the sunset.

Every ride was actively filled with students, and the elephant ears truck could not catch a break from students who were anxiously waiting in line for their turn. Spinning teacups, a swinging pirate ship, a mini Ferris wheel and an obstacle course were all in full use by students kicking off the fall semester.

WXOU DJed all night long and made a tremendous impact in the energy of the students. Blasting a wide variety of music, including throwbacks such as TLC and Britney Spears, they had everyone singing and dancing along.

Students formed a dance battle circle. Groups of dancers gathered to dance along to the famous "Cupid Shuffle" and "The Cha-Cha Slide."

There were some students in particular who stood out from the crowd. Irelyn Ellis and her friends became the center of attention as they performed their own dance routines.

"It was so much fun [dancing in front of everyone], the energy from the crowd just hypes you up and makes you feel so much better. I do hip-hop and I'm taking ballet [at Oakland]," Ellis said. "I love the carnival so much, the music goes with any culture. Everyone can vibe with it."

Fraternity Sigma Pi and sorority recruitment counselors Rho Gamma came out to volunteer for the event. Abby Godwin, a Rho Gamma, explained her involvement in the carnival.

"It's a really fun event that I like coming to," she said. "I like coming out and seeing all of the students enjoying the event and having a good time and welcoming everyone back to a new school year. Sigma Pi fraternity puts on their pig roast. I'm here with the Rho Gammas for sorority fall recruitment and we're volunteering doing the games."

The SPB carnival was a visible accomplishment for their organization. Marketing Director Rebecca Robbins shared her insight on its success.

"The purpose of this event is to bring students together. This is one of our biggest annual events after the casino night," Robbins said.

The event progresses every year as SPB plans each fall's carnival to be different from the last.

"This year we have a Ferris wheel," Robbins said. "We get a new director every year, so whatever they want to do, is what they bring. This carnival wraps up summer."



**1** Students filled up fish bowls with colorful rocks, plants and other decorations.

**2** Kramer Entertainment provided live goldfish for interested individuals to take home.

**3** There was a long line for the caricaturists. They drew exaggerated likenesses of attendees.

**4** The Student Program Board organized the 90s-themed event featuring a mini Ferris wheel, inflatable Twister, an inflatable obstacle course, a pirate ship ride and spinning teacups.

**5** Campus radio station WXOU blared some 90s throwback music as a student dressed as Deadpool started a dance competition and drew a crowd.

Mary Mitchell, Elyse Gregory /The Oakland Post



# WINTER COLLEGE'S DEPARTMENT EARNED \$55 MILLION IN LAST DECADE

Grace Turner & Sam Schlenner  
Managing Editor & Sports Editor

The Oakland Post takes an in-depth look at the money involved in last February's Florida trip

After the campus community learned about the Board of Trustees retreat and sixth-annual Winter College donor event in Florida in February 2016, some students and faculty at Oakland University became angered.

However, the Department of Development and Alumni Relations (DDAR), which organized Winter College, brings in more money than it spends: \$55,381,907 in profit over the last decade.

The DDAR has hosted six annual Winter College events in Florida. At these events, significant donors and alumni are invited to attend talks and meet one-on-one with Oakland staff, administrators, deans and faculty.

Oakland paid the travel expenses for 42 employees and board members.

"The staff/administrator count has been proportional to the guest counts overall in past years," wrote John Young, vice president of Oakland University Communications and Marketing, in an email. "2016 had a higher number of staff/administrators attend due to events surrounding Winter College."

The board meeting and February 2016 Winter College cost the university between \$146,000 and \$152,000, depending on whether tax exemptions were taken out of the hotel bills before employees turned in their expense reports. This is according to event costs cited by Angie Schmucker — vice president of the DDAR — and to nearly 800 pages of documents acquired through the Freedom of Information Act that included the expenses of Oakland employees and trustees, as well as the master hotel bill. The Post got the documents from Oakland's office of legal affairs.

The total expenses of \$146,000 to \$152,000 are .0575 percent to .0598 percent of the university's total fiscal year 2016 (FY2016) general fund adjusted base budget of \$253,754,100. FY2016 runs from July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016.

The general fund is mostly made up of tuition and state appropriation (81 percent tuition, 18 percent appropriation for FY2016).

The DDAR did not pay for the trip in full. It did not pay for the board retreat, for example. Instead, according to the documents and Schmucker's event

costs number, it spent \$91,427.08. The money covered event costs and the travel expenses of four faculty speakers: David Dulio, professor and chair of the political science department; Judith Fouladbakhsh, associate professor of nursing; Tamara Hew-Butler, associate professor of exercise science; and Peter Trumbore, associate professor of political science. The rest paid for golf with donors and the travel expenses of DDAR employees.

## Profit

The DDAR's \$91,427.08 expenditure was 1.58 percent of its total FY2016 budget of \$5,776,873.

The department's total budget seems enormous until it's compared with how much money the department brings back in donations. As of May 18, Schmucker estimated that FY2016 would bring in just under \$10 million in new donation commitments, almost double the budget. Official documentation of exact commitments for FY2016 was not posted online as of Sept. 13.

This is a trend that has been going for a decade. From FY2006 through FY2015, the DDAR brought in more money in donation commitments than it spent. If you count Schmucker's estimated \$10 million in new commitments for FY2016, then the DDAR has brought in \$59,605,034 more than its budgets since the beginning of FY2006. If you don't count Schmucker's estimate, that sum becomes \$55,381,907.

These donation commitments may take multiple years to pay out in full, as the sums may be endowed — i.e. invested so Oakland may use the resulting interest — or paid in installments. But taking a long-range view, the DDAR has made a profit on its budgets in the last decade.

Donations do not go into the general fund, Schmucker said. Instead, they go into any of the some 800 gift funds throughout the university which direct gifts to where they can be used. The money can be earmarked by the donor for specific departments and can even be designated for specific projects.

The DDAR's average budget was \$3,835,425 per year from FY2006 to FY2015. During the same time period, the department brought in an average of \$9,373,616 in total donation commit-

ments per year, netting an average profit of \$5,538,191. It was during this decade that the first five annual Winter Colleges were held.

The largest amount of total donation commitments Oakland received in the last decade was \$19,777,124 in FY2009, when the DDAR's budget was \$3,349,297. It received the lowest amount in the decade — \$4,757,045 — in FY2006, when the DDAR operated on a budget of \$2,873,392.

## Donations to Oakland

This article examines total commitments instead of gift assets received (both ways to measure donations; see Figure 1) because those records were more readily available. They also reflect a more immediate view of the work the recent DDAR administration has done. If this article were to examine gift assets received, the picture would not be complete, as it would credit the recent DDAR administration for previous endowments and large installment donations, and it would ignore the money the recent administration has lined up.

Total commitments vary greatly by year in part because some donors will bestow large amounts of money to Oakland upon their deaths, Schmucker said.

The amounts also fluctuate because Oakland is a relatively young university, having been founded in 1957. Its donor base is not nearly as large as that of the University of Michigan, for example, which was founded in 1817.

Donations are increasingly necessary for Oakland. Base state appropriation has gone from funding 71 percent of the university's general fund in FY1972, to 44 percent in FY2002, to 18 percent in FY2015, according to numbers from the meeting of Oakland's Board of Trustees on July 7, 2015. According to the Michigan House and Senate Fiscal Agencies, in FY2015 Oakland received the lowest per-student state appropriation of the 15 public universities in Michigan: \$2,778 per student against an average of \$5,114.

## Press Coverage

Even though the money checks out, 2016's Winter College and Board of Trustees retreat racked up bad press from local papers (see Figure 3).

The Oakland Post got comment from disgruntled student leaders and Ken Mitton, president of the American Association of University Professors.

Zack Thomas and Anders Engnell,

president and vice president of Oakland University Student Congress, respectively, presented a petition critical of the trip to Oakland President George Hynd on Aug. 15.

According to Oakland University Communications and Marketing, Hynd meets with student government leaders on a monthly basis to discuss ideas and concerns.

The press coverage of the trip was centered mostly on the closed board meeting (the ethics of which are beyond the scope of this article), but the cost of Winter College caught some flack as well.

## Change of Plans

Of the Winter College and board retreat, Winter College seems more beneficial. It at least checks out financially.

Although not all alumni donate, more Oakland alumni live in Florida than in any other state beside Michigan (2,024 lived in Florida compared to 71,665 in Michigan, according to university numbers from November 2014). About 15 miles from Bonita Springs — where the 2016 Winter College was held — is Naples, Florida, where 115 alumni live.

Fifty-four percent of donors were Oakland alumni in calendar year 2015, Schmucker said. That value usually ranges between about 50-60 percent each year, though that percentage does not equate to the percentage of total dollars donated that are given by alumni as opposed to non-alumni.

Although the DDAR is firmly in the black, the university is rethinking Winter College.

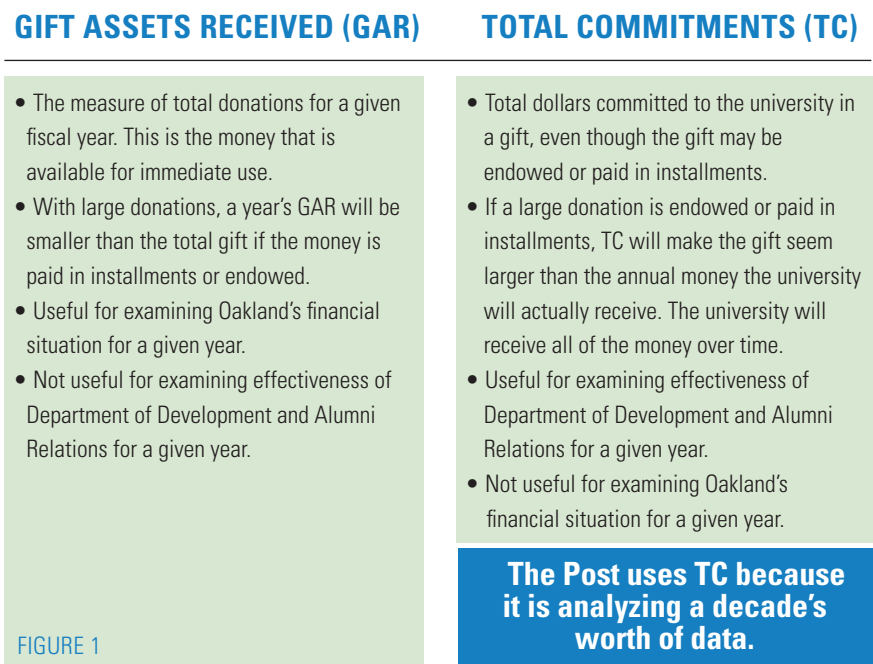
"New leadership in the Office of Development and Alumni Relations undertook a review of engagement activities in preparation of an acceleration of major gift fundraising efforts at OU," Hynd told Oakland University Communications and Marketing on June 13. "Based on this, our regional engagement in Florida, historically referred to as Winter College, will occur in a new format in 2017. This format will be more efficient in reaching more donors with fewer staff in more geographic areas. No retreats are expected to occur connected with these fundraising and engagement events."

The new leadership is Schmucker. She did not officially start her job until March 1, 2016, after Winter College.

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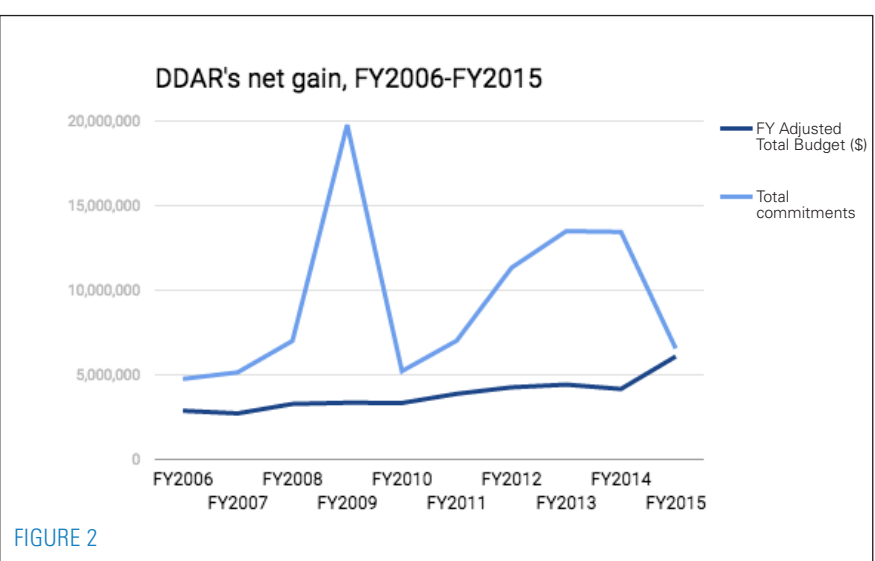
# TYPES OF DONATIONS

A donor may give Oakland \$20,000 to provide a \$5,000 scholarship each year for four years. The full amount is recorded under total commitments the first year, while \$5,000 is recorded under gift assets received for each year that the scholarship is granted.

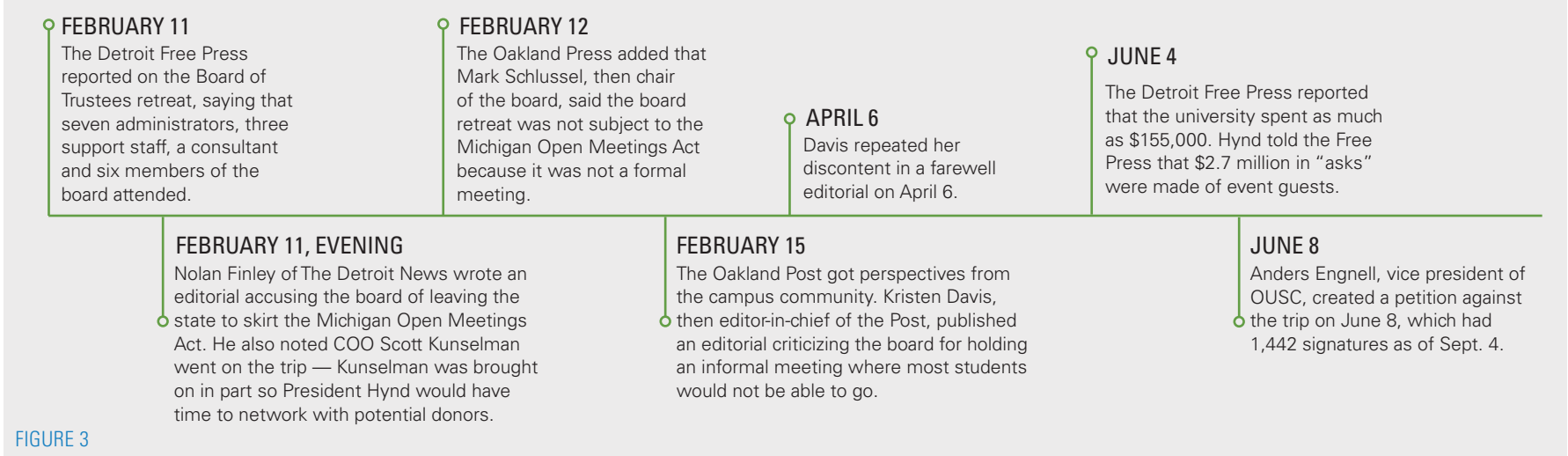


# FINANCIAL EFFICIENCY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT AND ALUMNI RELATIONS

The Department of Development and Alumni Relations (DDAR) was responsible for the Winter College donor event. Below is a comparison of the DDAR's annual budgets and the total dollars committed to the university in the same fiscal years (FY).



# TIMELINE OF PRESS COVERAGE



# EXPENSE REPORT

A breakdown of the expenses of the Winter College donor event and board of trustees retreat.

Cost covered by the Department of Development and Alumni Relations	\$91,427.08*	*Included: banquet charges (\$40,898.46), outlet dining (\$4,070.47; hotel food that wasn't included in the banquet charges), audio/video equipment for Winter College (\$6,645.40), promotional materials (specific amount not available), and personal expenses (travel, hotel and food) for guest speakers, event support staff and DDAR employees (at least \$17,241.87)
Total personal expenses (travel, hotel and food) for the other university employees and board members to attend	\$56,805.45	
Banquet charges for the BOT retreat	\$1,768.85	
Audio/visual for the BOT retreat	\$1,814.80	
Resort fee for the deans meeting	\$11.10	
Total tax exemptions	-\$5,887.29	

# ESTIMATED TOTAL COST

\$146,000-\$152,000\*

\*The hotel gave Oakland tax exemptions, but The Post does not know whether the exemptions are reflected in the expense reports submitted by Oakland employees and in a sum of event costs cited by Angie Schmucker, vice president of the DDAR

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# Activist for traditional gender roles dies

*Long-standing conservative leader leaves behind controversial legacy*

Amy Swanson  
Staff Reporter

In the fight for women's rights, one challenger stood out to be especially controversial: the female activist Phyllis Schlafly.

Schlafly, leader of the Stop ERA Campaign, died Sept. 5 at the age of 92.

Many believe her efforts were a major reason the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) wasn't passed.

## A little background

The ERA essentially asked that "the rights guaranteed by the Constitution apply equally to all persons regardless of their sex," according to EqualRightsAmendment.org.

In order to add an amendment to the Constitution, it must first be approved by two-thirds majority in both the House and Senate. Then, it must be approved by three-fourths of the state legislatures.

The ERA was first introduced to Congress in 1923 by suffragette Alice Paul and continued to be brought before Congress for over 50 years.

A push to ratify the ERA began in 1970, and feminist groups had an early lead. Public opinion polls showed favorable support and, by 1973, the amendment got approval from 30 of the 38 states needed, according to USHistory.org.

## Conflicts rise

Members of the Stop ERA campaign, later renamed Eagle Forum, felt this amendment would destroy traditional American society.

Schlafly believed the ERA would disadvantage American women. Defending standard gender roles, she rallied middle-aged housewives, arguing that the ERA would only benefit career women.

She began speaking engagements with lines like, "I'd like to thank my husband for letting me be here tonight," according to USHistory.org.

As she advocated for the "housewife," yet was a lawyer, author and activist, some viewed her as hypocritical. However, Jo Reger, professor of Sociology and Director of Women and Gender Studies at Oakland University, said Schlafly felt justified in her actions, even if they went against her the basis of her argument.

"It is important to remember that Schlafly and others believed that the

very core of society, built around very traditional ideas of what it means to be a man and a woman, were being threatened by feminism and the women's movement," Reger said.

Among Schlafly's warnings were that the ERA would force women's colleges to admit men, eliminate protective laws in sexual assault cases and that mothers would lose the tendency to receive custody of their children after divorce.

Some of Schlafly's points have been especially relevant recently. She felt the ERA would lead to the removal of the men-only military draft and that women would be forced to fight. This has been in the news lately, for example, in December 2015, the U.S. Department of Defense opened all combat positions to women.

Schlafly also feared the elimination of separate-sex bathrooms.

"It is interesting to think about how these issues did not go away but reemerged decades later," said Reger. "I think that Schlafly was a very clever strategist in being able to see that these issues had a deep resonance with the American public. Separate bathrooms and sex-segregated military play into the division between the sexes that some think is fundamental to society."

In efforts to stop the ERA from passing, Schlafly played up symbols of the American housewife. While the Illinois state legislature was in debate, those opposed to the ERA brought them homemade baked goods, accompanied with slogans like, "I am for Mom and apple pie." They also hung signs on baby girls that read, "Don't draft me," according to USHistory.org.

Ultimately, their tactics worked. Fewer states continued to ratify the amendment and, by the 1982 deadline, the ERA was still three states short of passing.

## Where society currently stands

As of this year, a poll by the ERA Coalition found that 96% of Americans mistakenly believe the ERA is indeed part of the Constitution.

While there are laws that protect

against gender discrimination, like the Equal Pay Act and the Pregnancy Discrimination Act, legislation can still be changed or repealed.

Gender inequality is still very real. One area regards pay: According to data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, today's full-time working women in the U.S. make 78 cents for every dollar a man does. This is despite making up nearly half of the workforce, according to The White House. There is also the issue of violence.

"We are now in a time where a woman, no matter what you think of her, has a very real possibility of becoming the next president of the United States. In some ways, this is Phyllis Schlafly's unintended legacy."

Jo Reger,  
Director of Women and Gender Studies

According to a report done by the U.S. Department of Justice, women recounted more accounts of stalking, rape and intimate partner violence.

Some feminist groups are still trying to get the ERA passed. For

over 30 years, it has been reintroduced in every session of Congress, who hasn't voted on it once, according to PR Newswire.

In the meantime, progress is still being made.

"There are women and men organizing around a range of issues that concern all people from trans[gender] rights to 'Say her Name,' the campaign to draw attention to black women subjected to police violence," Reger said. "People are working to end rape and sexual assault on campus and change cultural norms."

Looking back on the life of Phyllis Schlafly as an influential activist, Reger summarized what the situation comes down to.

"Phyllis Schlafly and the Eagle Forum fought for the world they believed in and feminists fought for the world that they wanted," she said.

Reger came to an insightful conclusion.

"Even though the ERA went down to defeat, it brought women into contact with legislators and encouraged them to run for office as one way to change the world," she said. "We are now in a time where a woman, no matter what you think of her, has very real possibility of becoming the next president of the United States. In some ways, this is Phyllis Schlafly's unintended legacy."

## The life of Phyllis Schlafly

Born Aug. 15, 1924, in St. Louis, Missouri

Graduated with honors from Washington University and had a graduate degree in government from Radcliffe College, according to Encyclopedia.com

Once had a WWII defense job in an arms plant to test-fire ammunition, according to Encyclopedia.com

Authored and co-authored 26 books on various topics like child care and the flip sides of feminism, according to Creators.com

Her book "A Choice Not an Echo," about Republican leader Nelson Rockefeller, sold more than 3 million copies, according to Regnery Publishing

At Washington University's commencement ceremony for Schlafly to receive an honorary Ph.D. in Humane Letters, hundreds — including faculty and one-third of the graduating students — stood and turned their backs in protest, according to OutsideTheBeltway.com

Although she was publicly against homosexuality, her oldest child John confirmed he was gay in 1992, according to Reuters.com

Her office held some interesting items, like a piece of the Berlin Wall and a necktie from her favorite president, Ronald Reagan, according to Reuters.com



# Students most vulnerable to sexual assault during 'red zone'

*OUPD stresses that students be more alert at certain times of the year*

**Faith Brody**  
Life Editor

The period between Labor Day and Thanksgiving can mean a lot of things: football, leaves changing, spooky movies, and Halloween.

But for college students, this "red zone" is dangerous.

The red zone refers to the period of time from Labor Day to Thanksgiving when students, mainly freshmen women, are especially vulnerable to sexual assault, according to an article by USA Today College.

It's no secret that sexual assaults are an epidemic on college campuses. And the National Sexual Violence Resource Center's horrifying statistic that one in five women and one in 16 men will be victims to sexual assault during college can attest to that.

The ways college campuses have dealt with sexual assault have also come under scrutiny, most recently with the highly-publicized case of Brock Turner and Stanford University's subsequent alcohol ban. Turner is an ex-Stan-

ford swimmer who served a controversially lenient sentence after being convicted of raping an unconscious woman behind a dumpster.

Oakland University Police Department Lieutenant Nicole Thompson recently posted the USA Today College article on OUPD's Facebook page, alerting the campus community to the dangers of the red zone.

"Of the two sexual assault reports that OUPD was directly involved with last year, both of them occurred within the first two months of school," Thompson said, indicating that these assaults happened during the red zone.

Thompson advises if a student is a victim of sexual assault, he or she should immediately get to a safe place, seek medical attention and alert law enforcement. She also stressed that it is important to not shower or change clothes immediately after an assault, to preserve DNA evidence.

If a victim confides in a friend or loved one that they have been sexually assaulted,



Dongfu Han / The Oakland Post

OUPD/Support Services can be found on 201 Meadow Brook Rd.

Thompson said it's very important to show them your support.

"It's really good to tell them 'I believe you,'" she said, "so they know it's not their fault. Try and get them medical resources if you can and talk them into coming into the police department to report it. That may not always be the case, they may not want to report it, but if you lend them support, they may be more prone to coming in and reporting it."

Thompson noted that even if a survivor comes in to report a sexual assault, they don't necessarily have to move forward with an investigation.

"We will sit down and talk to you, even if you don't want

to give us your name... We can hook you up with resources on campus," she said.

These resources include the Graham Health Center, OU Counseling Center, Dean of Students Office, Housing and, of course, OUPD.

Thompson also noted that there are programs implemented to curb sexual assault cases, such as the Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) class that trains women to fight off aggressors. A newer program, called MENS (Mentoring, Educating and Notifying) educates men that only "yes means yes," and covers sexual assault against men.

For more information and off-campus resources, visit <https://oupolice.com/itsonus/>.

## Safety Tips

"You can't prevent sexual assault. There is no prevention," Lt. Thompson said. However, there are some risk factors involved that make people more susceptible to sexual assault. Here's what you can do to empower yourself:

- Don't take drinks from strangers or leave drinks unattended.
- Use the buddy system.
- Utilize OUPD's visual escort service if you don't feel safe walking alone on campus.
- Listen to your intuition. "If something feels wrong, it usually is wrong and you should listen [to your instincts]," Thompson said.
- Don't post things on social media you don't want everyone to know, like "My roommate is gone" or "I'm alone for the weekend."
- Be an active bystander. If you see something wrong, intervene or call OUPD.

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# Discovery and Coffee: Lecture series at library



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The Discovery and Coffee lectures will take place at the Rochester Hills Public Library.

**Amy Swanson**  
Staff Reporter

The Rochester Hills Public Library (RHPL) has partnered with Oakland University to begin a new monthly Saturday morning lecture series called Discovery and Coffee.

Each session will feature an OU professor presenting on a topic of their expertise. Afterward, attendees can take part in discussion over coffee.

The series kicks off Sept. 17 with Dr. Jonathon Silberman, professor of economics and director of the Southeastern Michigan Economic Data Center. His talk will be held from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the library's multipurpose room.

Titled "Economic Update for Southeastern Michigan," Silberman's discussion will cover the current economic status of the area, as well as what the future may hold.

"We are excited to initiate this partnership with the Rochester Hills Public Library and introduce our professors and their expertise to the community at large. Patrons will get to ask questions and engage in discussions with some of the most well respected professors we have to offer," said OU Director of Media Relations Brian Bierley in a press release.

The next event will Oct. 22 from 9 to 10:30 a.m., featuring Professor David A. Dulio, chair of the Political Science Department. He plans to explore the current presidential election, covering topics such as the weight an individual vote carries, who "electors" are and why Election Day isn't the most important date of the campaign.

There will also be a lecture called "Why People Lie" on Nov. 5 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Professor Kim Serota, who has taught in the Department of Management and Market-

ing since 2004, will focus on the psychology behind lying, specifically in regard to marketing and political deception.

There are hopes to continue the series in the winter.

The idea for the program was developed over the summer, as the RHPL wanted to give its patrons a way to learn all the new things being discussed in college classrooms but in a more casual environment, said Amanda Harrison, the RHPL's community relations specialist.

"With stimulating lectures and a dynamic group of respected professors, Discovery and Coffee represents an exciting opportunity for personalized learning to make knowledge available to ever-increasing numbers of people, the goal of the Rochester Hills Public Library," she said in a press release.

It will be especially beneficial to students.

"Attending the programs gives Oakland University students an opportunity to connect with their local community, get to know professors on a more personal level and expose themselves to new subject matters while being a part of a larger conversation," Harrison said.

The library plans to work closely with OU to choose engaging professors who will speak on various interesting subjects.

The events are free, but attendees must register in advance with their library card.

Library cards are free to people who work, live or own property in Rochester, Rochester Hills or Oakland Township. Students who live on-campus at OU also qualify. One just needs to show a proof of residency or employment, according to the RHPL website.

For more information on other upcoming events, visit [www.rhpl.org/](http://www.rhpl.org/).

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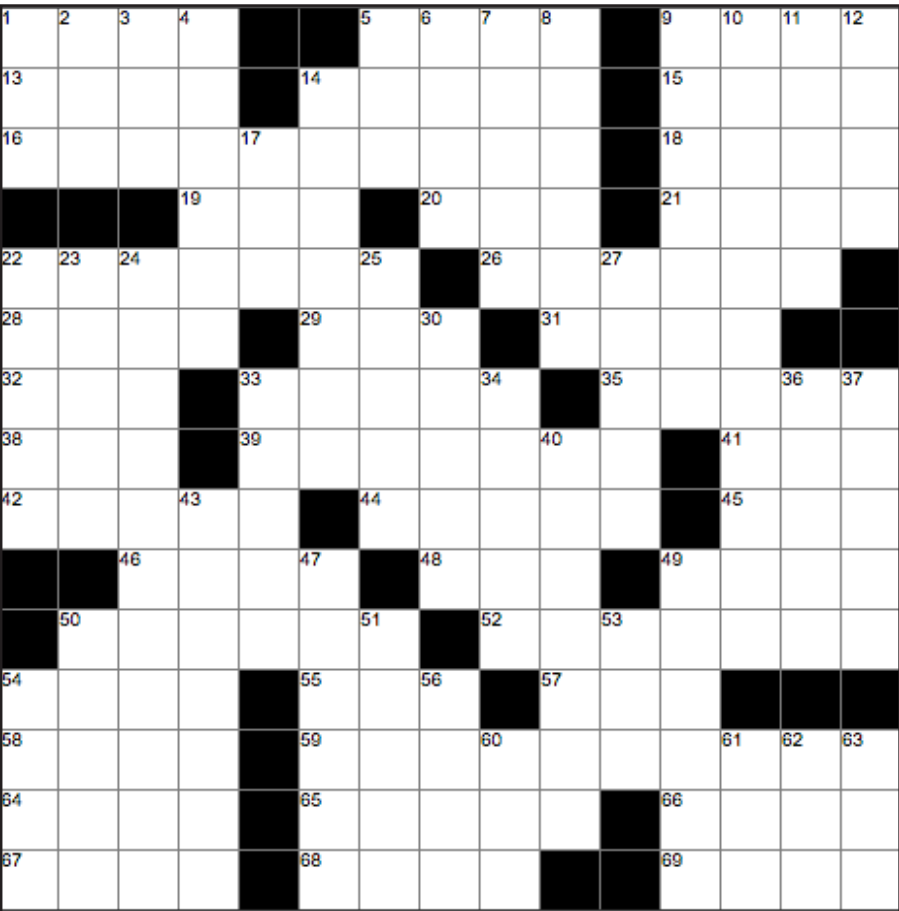
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# Puzzles



### Across

- 1: Got out of Dodge  
5: Jamie Farr's breakout series  
9: Foot part  
13: Fiery stack  
14: Hidden supply  
15: Bridges or Brummell  
16: Like Stonehenge  
18: They're beaten in the kitchen  
19: Out of work? (abbr.)  
20: In the time left  
21: Long haul  
22: Horse leads  
26: Went bad  
28: Indian housemaid  
29: Mont Blanc, for one  
31: Word with beer or cellar  
32: Tenth wedding anniversary gift  
33: Coral reef  
35: Chichi  
38: Wrap up  
39: Updates, as a device  
41: Musclebound brute  
42: Musical symbols  
44: Water balloon impact sound  
45: Constricting snake  
46: Cut short  
48: Devious

- 49: Out-of-focus picture  
50: Frenzied female  
52: Confidential matters  
54: Sales staff members  
55: Use the oars  
57: Cry over spilled milk  
58: Tributes in verse  
59: Unsuitable for surgery  
64: Entangle  
65: Bun net  
66: Travel smoothly  
67: Quarterback's call  
68: Door clasp  
69: The others

### Down

- 1: 28,800 seconds before midnight  
2: Old soap ingredient  
3: Energy unit  
4: Paucity  
5: Golf range surface  
6: Throbbing  
7: Less outgoing  
8: Trojan War hero  
9: Perpetrator's pal  
10: Too bad  
11: 'I Know Why the \_\_\_\_ Bird Sings'  
12: Outer coconut layer, e.g.  
14: Sildenafil \_\_: Viagra  
17: 'I'm Sorry' singer Brenda

- 22: Misanthrope  
23: Ammonia compound  
24: Outside consultants?  
25: Casino machines, briefly  
27: Grill  
30: Concealed  
33: Match play?  
34: Vegges out  
36: Pontificate  
37: Decade units  
40: Like some harmonies or haircuts  
43: Flowing hair  
47: Parson's bailiwick  
49: Chicken selection  
50: Television and radio  
51: Reed of 'From Here to Eternity'  
53: Varlet  
54: Play like a puppy  
56: Courts  
60: The old man  
61: Scrooge's exclamation  
62: A white one is small  
63: Shade tree

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## A closer look: This isn't liberalism

Alex Stevens  
Political Columnist

In contemporary American politics, the term "liberal" has widely been used to describe individuals who favor progress and reform in the direction of greater social equality. In America, this term has been widely associated with those on the political left and is often linked to the politics of the Democratic Party.



If we compare the policy positions and values of today's self-described liberals to those of the classical liberal political philosophers, there is a clear disconnect between what was considered liberalism in the past and how it is practiced today.

Liberalism, properly understood, originated from the eighteenth century Scottish Enlightenment and is associated with thinkers such as the English philosopher John Locke, the Austrian economist and Nobel laureate Friedrich von Hayek and the Harvard University philosopher

Robert Nozick.

It is a political theory that emphasizes the government's role being limited to protecting individual rights under the rule of law.

Liberals apply the theory of individual rights consistently, so that protection of rights extends beyond the actions of individuals to also include the actions of government.

In practice, liberalism is the political philosophy that generally guides Western Civilization. It places an emphasis on the concepts of individual rights, tolerance, the market process, limited government and peace.

Considering the support modern liberals express for the robust welfare-welfare state (The Affordable Care Act, free college tuition and the continuance of Bush-era foreign policy — as exemplified by President Obama and Hillary Clinton's commitment to primacy, which is a foreign policy doctrine that argues that only a preponderance of American military power supports peace), as well as their disregard for civil liberties (support for campus speech codes, inaction in regard to drug policy and criminal justice

reform), it is safe to say these people are not true liberals.

### The Not-So-Liberal Democrat:

To demonstrate how far removed modern liberalism is from its philosophical roots, we can turn to Hillary Clinton — the Democratic nominee for president and the standard-bearer of what has become known as liberalism in America.

In an article outlining Clinton's record on free speech, Matt Welch, editor at-large of Reason Magazine, pointed out that Clinton often appears quick to take actions that would be in violation of individual rights — particularly in instances where speech is involved.

She has supported measures ranging from required anti-encryption back doors for personal smart phones (a tool that allows the government to access private information more easily) to the censoring of the internet, television and video games.

Clinton's disregard for liberal free speech policy is further exemplified through a promise made during her campaign — one that is almost universally celebrated by her supporters.

Clinton has maintained a commitment to overturn the 2010 Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission decision.

This decision was a 5-4 majority ruling by the Supreme Court that overturned a federally enforced cable TV ban of a documentary film critical of none other than Hillary Clinton.

Apparently modern liberals don't value free speech when it is inconvenient for their political candidates.

Clinton's illiberalism was on its best display at an event at the Brookings Institution in December 2015. Responding to a question she fielded regarding how she would deal with the threat of ISIS as president, Clinton provided an outline of her commitment to individual rights and peace.

"We are going to have a lot more support from our friends in the technology world to deny online space," she said. "Just as we have to destroy their would-be caliphate, we have to deny them online space."

This is what modern liberalism looks like: a system of big businesses teaming up with the government to limit speech in the name of national security.

## Political Focus: Fifteen years later, the aftermath of Sept. 11

Melissa Deutsch  
Political Columnist

Sunday marked the 15th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. Ceremonies took place in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania to honor the lives lost on one of the most tragic days in American history.



In the years since, the U.S. has faced additional terror threats that are at the heart of this election season. Americans want a commander in chief who will keep them safe, and arguments have been sparked regarding which candidate is better suited to accomplish that.

Understanding the terror threats our country faces today

begins with an understanding of what has taken place in the 15 years since the attacks of 9/11. Political Focus will dive deeper into those threats and the candidates' positions in future articles, but this week, will focus on the political aftermath.

### What happened after Sept. 11, 2001?

Just four days after the attack, Congress granted then-President George W. Bush the authority to use the Armed Forces against anyone involved in the 9/11 attacks.

The U.S. initially set its sights on the leaders of al-Qaeda, the terrorist group known to be behind the attack; its leader, Osama bin Laden; and its land base, Afghanistan.

After the Taliban, the group in power in Afghanistan, denied requests to hand over bin Laden, President Bush took action.

October 7, 2001, marked the beginning of the invasion of Afghanistan and air strikes against

al-Qaeda and Taliban members, putting into action Operation Enduring Freedom.

With the support of its allies, the U.S. successfully removed the Taliban from power in two months. The following 13 years of Operation Enduring Freedom were highlighted with the Afghanistan's first democratic election, retaliation attacks by Taliban forces, and the killing of Osama bin Laden by U.S. Special Forces in 2011.

### How'd we get to where we are now?

Aside from what happened in Afghanistan, the decision to invade Iraq has played a major role in getting us to where we are today.

In February of 2003, U.S. officials began making the case that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was a threat and needed to be ousted. The U.S. later invaded Iraq, and on Dec. 13, 2003, Hussein was captured. Thereafter, he was tried by the interim Iraqi

government and ultimately sentenced to death.

What we know now, according to a CNN interview with Fawaz Gerges, professor at the London School of Economics and Political Science, is that the overthrowing of the Hussein regime resulted in thousands of skilled military officers being put out of work and, in response, joining what is now the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria.

ISIS, a terror group that spawned from al-Qaeda, then grew even more immensely when the civil war began in Syria in 2011. ISIS has now become the biggest terror threat the U.S. faces today during this election cycle.

### How serious is the threat of ISIS?

Reports have been released recently that ISIS is losing territory in the Middle East. However, many counterterrorism experts aren't put at ease by this information.

ISIS has become incredibly dangerous not only because of the group's military capabilities, but their global influence through the use of the internet. Their online presence allows them to recruit Western fighters who can carry out their attacks.

Even when ISIS isn't directly involved in the planning and carrying out of terrorist attacks in Western countries, their global presence has influenced "lone wolf attackers" who are acting in the name of ISIS, but not directly with ISIS.

An example of the danger of these lone wolf attackers is Omar Mateen, whose shooting spree in the name of the Islamic State resulted in the death of 49 individuals in Orlando last June.

These threats must be combated by whoever takes office in 2017. ISIS was a main topic of last week's Commander in Chief Forum on NBC, in which both candidates shared the stage for the first time this election season.



## Popkey reps Oakland in Germany

**KeyVonna Taylor**  
Intern Reporter

A spectator may see a player's jersey number as just a number, but to athletes, it's much more. The number three is just as important to Elena Popkey today as it was when she was a women's basketball player at Oakland University.

Popkey is one of the newest members of the Elangeni Falcons, a team located in Bad Homburg, Germany, and instructed under head coach Jay R. Brown.

"Elena represented everything you would want in a student-athlete and is a great ambassador for Oakland University," Oakland head coach Jeff Tungate said. "I am really happy that she is getting the opportunity to fulfill her dream of playing professional basketball . . . Good things happen to good people."

The Oakland Post caught up with Popkey over email for a Q&A. Responses have been slightly edited for punctuation.

### Why the number three?

The number three is very significant to me. It represents the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It constantly reminds me of who I am playing basketball for and who gave me the talents to play.

### How important was it for you to keep to same jersey number as a member of the Falcons?

I love representing Jesus Christ, so I jump at any chance I have the opportunity to do so.

### In what three ways does the number three represent you?

1. Number three stands for the Trinity, which represents my faith.
2. It constantly reminds me to be in service: Christ first, others second, myself third.
3. 3-pointers. They are a big part of my game that I love.

### Did you pick your jersey number when you came to Oakland University?

I wore the number three when I played in AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) and in high school as well, so when I was given the opportunity to wear number three in college, I took it.



Nowshin Chowdhury / The Oakland Post

Recent women's basketball alumna Elena Popkey wears the same jersey number when she plays in Germany.

### What are three lessons that your sport has taught you?

Christ has taught me many things through the sport of basketball. A couple of them include:

1. God is a good Father who gives good gifts. He receives joy when you enjoy the gifts that he gives you . . . so I have learned to enjoy the game of basketball.
2. The value of community, sisterhood and a team.
3. Comparison is the thief of joy. Focus on yourself and how you can get better. "A flower does not think of competing with the flower next to it. It just blooms."

### Do you have a special ritual or anything that you do to get pumped before a game?

I listen to worship music before games and pray. Once I am in the locker room, I love to dance and I love praying with the team before we head out to the court.

### As a former Oakland women's basketball player, how would you explain your experience as collegiate athlete in one word?

Rollercoaster.

There are many ups and downs throughout your entire career, but the one constant that you can always cling to is Jesus Christ. It says in Hebrews 13:8 He's the same yesterday, today and forever. And His love for you never fails (Psalm 136:1-2).

### What do you miss most about participating in college athletics?

I miss the people. Being a part of athletics has given me an incredible opportunity to build relationships with different staff members, athletes on other teams as well as my own team. It has also given me the opportunity to be a leader of Fellowship of Christian Athletes [FCA] where I made my closest friendships and ministered to many athletes.

### What legacy do you hope to leave at Oakland?

I hope to leave a legacy of love. I want people to remember that I loved God, I loved others, and I loved what I did well. My goal in college was to love others well, because as it says in 1 John 1:4 "God is love," and so every time I was showing love to others, I was showing them Christ.

### What advice would you give to current and future Golden Grizzlies?

You can't build up unless you have a strong foundation. Build your life on Christ, love, joy, friendship and family. Keep the main things and keep your priorities straight.

For more answers, read the full interview at [www.oaklandpostonline.com](http://www.oaklandpostonline.com).

## Brooksie Way Half Marathon is back

**KeyVonna Taylor**  
Intern Reporter

The HAP Brooksie Way Half Marathon, 5K and Fun Run are scheduled for Sept. 25 at 8 a.m.

The races will start and end at Meadow Brook Amphitheatre.

The courses vary depending on the race event and can be viewed at [www.thebrooksieway.com/](http://www.thebrooksieway.com/).

The Brooksie Way became a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in 2011 after holding their first annual race in October 2008. The event was created in honor of Brooks "Brooksie" Stuart Patterson, the son of Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, who died in a snowmobile accident in 2007 at the age of 28.

The event strives to promote physical activity and is sponsored in part by Oakland University.

Proceeds from the race fund programs that support a healthy and active lifestyle and are dispersed through Brooksie Way Minigrants.

The Brooksie Way Training Programs are also available for those who have never participated in a race or walk before and want to improve their time before the event.

Deborah Kiertzner-Flynn, race director, is in charge of everything from recruiting sponsors, ordering T-shirts and food, and planning for the race.

Kiertzner-Flynn described the Brooksie Way as a "world-class" event in Oakland County.

"We have one of the best half marathon races and a beautiful

course," she said.

For the first time, this year's 5K runners and walkers will receive a diecast finisher medal.

In 2014, the winner of the half marathon was Donald Richmond. In 2015, he finished second to Max Hock.

"Last year I was pretty exhausted," Richmond wrote in an email. "I had a sinus infection and kind of suffered through the second half of the race. Not to say I wasn't exhausted the year I won in 2014, but there's something about being in the lead of a big race that gives you a little extra adrenaline boost."

This year, he will run the 5K instead. However, he believes his brother Adam Richmond is a potential winner of the half marathon.

"He has been out of the game a little while, but is making a big comeback," Richmond wrote. "I would say he is definitely a dark horse to win the half marathon."

The brothers ran for Central Michigan University.

"It's a great atmosphere to be a part of," Richmond wrote. "It's one of the best things about distance running. The training can be a very solitary sport, but on race day we all come together, realizing there are many others who have been doing the same thing with similar goals."

"And in Michigan," he added, "with a tough winter around the corner, we need all the inspiration we can get to keep running!"

To register as a race participant, donor or volunteer, visit [www.thebrooksieway.com](http://www.thebrooksieway.com)



Nowshin Chowdhury / The Oakland Post

The ninth-annual Brooksie Way event will be held on campus on Sept. 25.



# Volleyball easily sweeps Western

*Strong blocking keeps Broncos at bay*

**Sam Schlenner**  
Sports Editor

Oakland volleyball (5-6) beat Western Michigan (3-8) 3-0 in front of a crowd of 305 in the home opener on Tuesday night. It was the Golden Grizzlies' sixth-straight home-opener victory. The all-time series against Western stands at 10-1.

Melissa Deatsch led the offensive activity with 24 total attempts, 10 kills and six errors. Sammy Condon followed up with eight kills and three errors. Jessica Dood had seven kills and one error.

Jordan Lentz dominated the set game with 31 assists out of 34 on the team. She had two kills.

Krysteena Davis had eight block assists of the 22 on the team.

The first set stayed relatively close and tied at 18, but Oakland scored four in a row and maintained the space until closing the set at 25-20.

The Golden Grizzlies went off on a 4-0 run to open the second set and mostly kept the space throughout the set, which finished at 25-18.

The third set began closer. The turning point came when the score was 8-6 Oakland.

Western made four errors in a row, three attack errors and a reception error. To push it to 11-6, Darien Bandel and Davis both made two block assists.

Davis' and Bandel's blocking compensated for the lack of service aces (six total versus seven serving errors), where the Golden Grizzlies usually supplement points, head coach Rob Beam said.

Western called a timeout after losing the four rallies in a row.

The Broncos brought it back to 23-21 on an attack error from Deatsch, but then Oakland scored two in a row and sealed the deal.

Oakland never let Western take complete control of the game.

"A lot of it just comes down to the group of athletes being mentally tough enough to calm down when they're in the timeout, listen to instruction, collect themselves and then go execute," Beam said. "And they did that really well tonight."

Oakland has worked on the mental game, Davis said.

"Rob has us do drills where one team is down by four points, and then they have to get back in it," she said.

Apparently the drills work for maintaining a four-point lead as well.



Mary Mitchell / The Oakland Post

Oakland volleyball defeated Western Michigan three sets to none on Sept. 13.

## BASKETBALL SCHEDULES

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

NOV. 11	vs. Bowling Green @ O'Rena
NOV. 14	vs. Western Michigan @ O'Rena
NOV. 18	vs. Goshen @ O'Rena
NOV. 19	vs. Chicago State @ O'Rena
NOV. 23	vs. UC Davis @ Alaska Airlines Center
NOV. 25	vs. TBA @ Alaska Airlines Center
NOV. 26	vs. TBA @ Alaska Airlines Center
DEC. 1	vs. Oral Roberts @ O'Rena
DEC. 3	vs. Southern Utah @ O'Rena
DEC. 10	vs. Robert Morris @ Robert Morris
DEC. 20	vs. Northeastern @ O'Rena
DEC. 21	vs. Michigan State @ MSU
DEC. 23	vs. Georgia @ O'Rena

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

NOV. 13	vs. Michigan Dearborn @ O'Rena
NOV. 15	vs. Central Michigan @ O'Rena
NOV. 21	vs. Niagra @ Niagra
NOV. 24	vs. Norfolk State @ Norfolk State
NOV. 28	vs. Youngstown State @ O'Rena
DEC. 1	vs. Dartmouth @ O'Rena
DEC. 5	vs. Miami @ Miami

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

DEC. 7	vs. Rochester College @ O'Rena
DEC. 13	vs. Michigan State @ O'Rena
DEC. 19	vs. Chicago State @ Chicago State
DEC. 22	vs. IPFW @ O'Rena
DEC. 30	vs. Vermont @ Vermont
JAN. 2	vs. Cleveland State @ O'Rena
JAN. 7	vs. UIC @ UIC
JAN. 9	vs. Valparaiso @ Valparaiso
JAN. 14	vs. Northern Kentucky @ O'Rena
JAN. 16	vs. Wright State @ O'Rena
JAN. 23	vs. Detroit Mercy @ Detroit Mercy
JAN. 28	vs. Green Bay @ Green Bay
JAN. 30	vs. Milwaukee @ Milwaukee
FEB. 4	vs. Youngstown State @ YTS
FEB. 6	vs. Cleveland State @ Cleveland St.
FEB. 11	vs. Valparaiso @ O'Rena
FEB. 13	vs. UIC @ O'Rena
FEB. 18	vs. Wright State @ Wright State
FEB. 21	vs. Northern Kentucky @ N. Kentucky
FEB. 27	vs. Detroit Mercy @ O'Rena
MAR. 3	vs. Milwaukee @ O'Rena
MAR. 5	vs. Green Bay @ O'Rena

## THE SPORTING BLITZ

### VOLLEYBALL

#### L 3-0 AT RICE, SEPT. 9

Sammy Condon with 10 kills, Melissa Deatsch with nine, Krysteena Davis with seven, Jessica Dood with six.

#### L 3-0 VS. USC, SEPT. 10

Jordan Lentz with 30 assists out of a team total of 37. Melissa Deatsch with eight kills, Sammy Condon and Jessica Dood with five.

#### L 3-2 VS. SAM HOUSTON, SEPT. 10

Sammy Condon with 16 points, Melissa Deatsch with 12.5, Krysteena Davis with 12, Jordan Lentz and Darien Bandel with 11.

All of these games were played at the Rice Adidas Invite I in Houston, Texas.

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

#### T 0-0 (2OT) AT FLORIDA ATLANTIC, SEPT. 8

Alison Holland played all 110 minutes in the net, making 10 saves. Florida Atlantic put up an onslaught, trying 27 shots to Oakland's nine. Alice Palmer produced five of those shots for the Golden Grizzlies. She played all 110 minutes. Florida Atlantic shot 10 corners to Oakland's two.

#### L 1-0 VS. TOLEDO, SEPT. 11

Cecilie Dokka got off four shots for Oakland with one on target and no luck. Alison Holland spent the whole game in the net and made six saves. Oakland put up two shots on target to Toledo's seven, although Toledo put up just one more shot than Oakland: 11 compared to 10 from Oakland.



# Men's soccer grabs win in double overtime

*Golden Grizzlies beat Northern Kentucky 3-2*

**Sam Schlenner**  
Sports Editor

**O**akland men's soccer beat Northern Kentucky University 3-2 in the conference-opener at the Oakland Soccer Field on Saturday night.

The Golden Grizzlies gave up a 2-0 lead late in the game, but won in the second overtime. Alex Serwatka was the tipping point, making a far-left goal from 22 yards out.

The teams played fairly evenly. There were 13 NKU shots to 15 from Oakland. Seven of those from NKU were on goal, six from Oakland. There were 12 fouls from NKU and eight from Oakland.

Redshirt freshman Nebosja Popovic and freshman Nyal Higgins got their first career goals in the first 60 minutes. Popovic's was off an assist from Austin Ricci and went in from 11 yards out on the right side. Higgins got the feed from Nick Strack and scored from five yards out on the right side.

"Kiko [the team's nickname for Nick Strack] had flicked the ball into the box," Higgins said in a GrizzVision interview with Mekye Phelps.

"He tried to get a goal, so I tried to step out of the way and let the ball go through. But it ended up deflecting off of me. So I took a touch, turned around and I shot it."

The 2-0 lead lasted until the 82nd minute, when Kobie Qualah of the Norse headed in a goal off the assist from Anders Mathiesen. NKU then scored off an Oakland own goal by Higgins in the 86th minute. Overtime.

The first ten-minute overtime was

scoreless, but not uneventful. There were five shots combined. Ricci fired off two and Spencer Nollf one for the Golden Grizzlies.

Then, Serwatka got the assist from Ricci and gave the Norse a quick death in the second minute of the second overtime. It was the golden goal. 3-2 Oakland.

Oakland head coach Eric Pogue said the moments before the late NKU goals were the decisive points of the game.

"You either get the third goal and maybe the game gets away, a little bit easier game," Pogue said in a GrizzVision interview. "We knew that next goal was going to be important one way or another."

Pogue gave NKU props for keeping with it, even though a Norse loss was imminent. They kept themselves alive.

"After that we knew we were in for a dogfight," Pogue said. "Disappointed, obviously, but I don't want to talk about always being a young team, but that's what we are. At the end of the day, this will be good for us over the long haul."

"I was just proud of the guys' effort in overtime," Pogue said.

He said the psychological states of the teams were different heading into overtime: NKU was pumped, Oakland was angry at themselves.

"It really takes a strong-minded team to fight through that adversity and find a way to get a result," Pogue said. "We would have been disappointed with a tie."

Now comes rest before the Michigan State game at the Oakland Soccer Field at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 14. You can watch it on ESPN3.



Nowshin Chowdhury / The Oakland Post

Alex Serwatka scored the game-winning goal in the second minute of the second overtime. Oakland won 3-2 against Northern Kentucky in the season's first league game.



Bohdanna Cherstylo / The Oakland Post

Oakland's Pete Hovland (left) was inducted along with Derek Jeter (not pictured) and more.

## Swim coach Pete Hovland inducted into Michigan Sports Hall of Fame

**Sam Schlenner**  
Sports Editor

**P**ete Hovland and Derek Jeter are about the same height. Chris Osgood is shorter. Ben Wallace is taller.

Hovland's 35 years and over 50 conference titles as head coach of Oakland swimming allow this comparison. He was inducted into the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame on Friday night, along with a highly-recognizable roll of inductees who took the stage at Orchestra Hall in midtown Detroit.

"That was never part of the plan," Hovland said.

When he graduated with his master's from Northern Iowa in 1979, he was just worried about getting a job, getting a chance. He got handpicked for an assistant position at Oakland.

Fast forward 37 years.

"It's definitely a passion," Hovland said. "It's definitely a lifestyle for both my wife and I. When you're around young people all the time, it makes it easy, and it doesn't seem like 38 years have just come and gone."

With the athletes and challenges cycling every year, things stay fresh.

"I think he's reached a point in his career where he's actually seen and done everything," said Hovland's wife of 16 years, Laurie. "I'm so proud of him."

Laurie knows Hovland's enthusiasm for what he does. It's an enthusiasm she shares. She goes to every home meet and some away meets.

"We don't have any children," Laurie said.

But, in a way, they do.

Tracy Huth — Oakland's former athletic director and one of the most decorated student-athletes in school history — has witnessed much of Hovland's career. Huth swam one year under former Oakland coach Ernie Maglischo and the remaining three years under Hovland.

Maglischo was the father figure; Hovland was the older brother. Now Hov-

land is like Maglischo.

When Hovland was the young gun, he was wholly focused on getting his team to perform.

Not that this has changed, but the picture has grown, Huth said. Hovland has coached over three decades of alumni. Some of them might even have grandkids.

"I never thought he would want to stay [at] Oakland," said Maglischo, who coached Hovland at Chico State. "I didn't think I was going to be able to talk him into coming there in the first place. He just fell in love with the place."

When Maglischo got the head coaching job at Oakland in 1979, Hovland was graduating from Northern Iowa. Maglischo needed an assistant, which in practice was the women's head coach. Hovland was first choice.

"I knew him," Maglischo said. "I respected him mightily as a competitor. He was just the best swimmer I'd ever coached."

Hovland was easy going, but going somewhere. Maglischo wanted help with recruiting, and those qualities fit the bill.

"The thing that I appreciated the most was how loyal he was to me," Maglischo said. "He didn't try to upstage me. He worked with me. He did things the way I wanted him to do them instead of going out on his own. He was a good, solid person. I knew that."

After being introduced at the Hall of Fame induction ceremony, inductees were brought onstage in groups and interviewed by Fox 2's sports director, Dan Miller.

"All right Pete," Miller said when it got to Hovland's turn. "You've got some explaining to do here. How does a guy that spent his whole youth in the water, and doing it in Santa Cruz, California, end up in Michigan and never leaving?"

"Great question," Hovland said.

Friday night was a recognition of his answer.