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Death in Darfur

Aid groups hope to halt ethnic cleansing

By KYLE MAGIN
Senior Reporter

Roughly 244 people died in Darfur today as you slept, woke up, came to school and eventually headed back to bed.

One life lost every six minutes. Darfur is a region in Sudan, a country located in northeast Africa. The

region has been mired in conflict since February of 2003, when a famine pitted nomadic herders and the Sudanese government against the land-tilling Fur people, a battle that has turned into a full-scale ethnic cleansing.

"We have been slow, hesitant, and uncaring," said UN Secretary General Kofi Annan in an interview with BBC news. Annan went on to compare the current situation in Darfur to that of Rwanda's ethnic-cleansing in 1994. Currently, the UN has authorized a peacekeeping force that has yet to be deployed in the region, because the Sudanese government is opposed to any such action. An African-Union force is in

What can you do?

- Donate money to Darfur at www.unicef.org.
- Add your name to numerous online petitions which will be submitted to congress.
- Join the "400,000 faces" Facebook group. The group will print photos of group members to the house and senate.

the region right now, though it has been largely ineffective at protecting the lives of civilians, leading to the calls for international support in the region.

Since 2003, conservative estimates start the death count in Darfur at 300,000 people, many of who were civilians.

The conflict stems from ethnic and economic tensions between people of Arabic descent, the Baggara, and native Africans, the Fur. With the backing of the government, the Baggara have been systematically destroying Fur villages and their people to make room for grazing interests in lands that the Fur occupy.

The natives have fought back with help from the neighboring nation of Chad, taking the conflict to an international scale. As a corollary to the conflict, 2 million inhabitants of the region have been displaced, fleeing as refugees to Red Cross camps in Darfur and Chad.

Some have called conditions in Darfur as the "worst humanitarian crisis" in the world right now.

Governing bodies argue over whether or not the events in Darfur can be classified as genocide. The United States has referred to the situation as a full-scale genocide, while the United Nations has classified it as a "crime against humanity," and that those accountable will be tried for war crimes.

Darfur has not gone unforgotten among aid groups, though. Two weeks ago, when President Bush spoke at the UN, various aid groups took out ads in the New York Times and other newspapers to encourage the President to address the issue.

Who won the debate?



CARLOS OSORIO/The Associated Press
Michigan Republican gubernatorial candidate Dick DeVos and Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm are seen after their debate held at the WKAR-TV station in East Lansing, Monday.

Gubernatorial candidates squared off in their first debate of the year. OU's student leaders are now sharing their views of who won the debate.

Commentary

By MICHAEL MERSOL-BARG
Guest Columnist

The 2006 gubernatorial debates between Democratic incumbent Jennifer Granholm and Republican challenger Dick DeVos kicked off with lack-luster opening statements by both candidates, yet jobs and the

By P. PETE VITALE
Guest Columnist

During the first 2006 gubernatorial debate between Governor Granholm and challenger Dick DeVos, the governor showed her true colors. Granholm consistently avoided the issues and instead reverted to attacking DeVos on issues



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Mersol-Barg

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SCHOOL SHOOTING

Police: killer of Amish longed to molest

By MARK SCOLFORO
Associated Press Writer

QUARRYVILLE, Pa. (AP) — A man who laid siege to a one-room Amish schoolhouse, killing five girls, told his wife shortly before opening fire that he had molested two young relatives decades ago and was tormented by "dreams of molesting again," authorities said Tuesday.

Charles Carl Roberts IV, 32, appeared to have planned to molest the girls at the school, but police have no evidence that he actually did, State Police Commissioner Jeffrey B. Miller said.

He said Roberts had sexual lubricant with him and flex-ties that he had bought seven days

earlier, and that he chained the girls together in a line at the blackboard after sending the boys and adults away. Roberts also had weapons and supplies indicating he was prepared for a long stand-off, he said.

"He states in his suicide note that he had dreams about doing what he did 20 years ago again," Miller said.

Miller said police could not confirm the claim about molesting young relatives when Roberts would have been a just a child himself, and he said Roberts' family members knew nothing of molestation in his past.

Roberts left one note for his

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OU professor predicted possible spinach contamination

By NORA GOTHAMY
Contributing Reporter

Raw bagged spinach contamination has spread to over twenty states nationwide, causing illness and death, but this could have been prevented, according to Oakland University Biological Sciences Professor Satish Walia.

Professor Walia began research on pre-washed bagged vegetables in early 2000.

"I was eating lots of salads lately and finding that my stomach was a little upset all the time," says Walia, which prompted a new topic of research in this professor's lab.

Primarily intended to teach his undergraduate students the proper methods of research,

results were published in internationally recognized Science News, and presented at the General Meeting, American Society for Microbiology in 2005.

Walia's research is consistent with the hypothesis, that methods of washing or packaging fresh, unpreserved bagged spinach have an impact on their health value.

Spinach can come from countries like Peru and Mexico, which may not decant water used in washing of vegetables, and once you leave a little water in a bag containing washed vegetables, the bag becomes the perfect environ-

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wife, one for each of his three children and a note and checklist in his truck, Miller said. The note to his wife talked about his anguish over the loss of the couple's newborn daughter, Elise, in 1997, Miller said.

"The note that he left for his wife talks about the good memories together, the tragedy with Elise, it focuses on his life being changed forever ... over the loss of Elise, his hatred toward himself, his hatred towards God as a result of that event, and he alludes to this other reason for this anger

but he can't discuss it with her and it happened 20 years ago," Miller said.

When Roberts spoke with his wife by cell phone from inside the school, more than half an hour after he had walked in, he "told her he had molested two minor relatives 20 years prior and that was how she put all of that together," Miller said.

The girls were shot "execution style" shortly after police arrived, Miller said, and Roberts was dead by the time officers broke windows to get inside. It was the nation's third deadly school shooting in less than a week.

Miller identified the victims, two of whom died on Tuesday, as Naomi Rose Ebersole,

7; Anna Mae Stoltzfus, 12; Marian Fisher, 13; Mary Liz Miller, 8; and her sister Lina Miller, 7.

Five other children remained hospitalized, four of them in critical condition.

State police spokeswoman Linette Quinn said the two girls who died early Tuesday had suffered "very severe injuries, but the other ones are coming along very well."

Roberts, a father of three from the nearby town of Bart, was not Amish and did not appear to be targeting the Amish specifically, Miller said. He said Roberts seemed bent on killing young girls and apparently figured he could succeed at the lightly guarded school-

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ment for bacterial growth, providing adequate humidity and nutrients, says Walia. Not only did Walia's team find pathogenic, or disease causing, bacteria in raw bagged triple wash baby spinach, 80 percent of them were resistant to four or more types of antibiotics that are used for human medicine. Some of these antibiotic resistant bacteria include *Staphylococcus*, *Enterococcus fecium*, *Pseudomonas* species, *Enterobacter aerogenes*, *Citrobacter* species, *Escherichia* species, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. These bacterial species are also found in the human gut, says Walia, leading to other inquiries about

potential fecal contamination.

Many antibiotics that Walia tested are commonly prescribed when humans are ill due to bacterial infection, and since bacteria found in ready-to-eat bagged spinach are multiply resistant to regularly prescribed antibiotics this could result in failure of treatment of infection.

Another concern arises, says Walia, resistant bacteria can transfer antibiotic resistant genes to other human bacteria, recombine or acquire DNA to develop new genetic traits evolutionarily. If bacterial genes continue to recombine in bagged vegetables, this may become an additional reservoir for resistant bacteria, and there is "a potential for newly evolved bacteria" says Walia.

Walia's research results identifying raw bagged veg-

etables as a health risk have been available to the public, and companies like 'Dole' who produce raw bagged spinach, for years and is currently associated with the E. coli O157 spinach outbreak. In this time, Walia encouraged such companies to monitor their products for bacterial growth and modify their washing and bagging procedures or remove their product from stores until all safety concerns are resolved.

The current outbreak may justify our safety concerns that their mechanism of packaging is unsafe, says Walia, and measures were not taken until perhaps it was too late. "If they had listened to us then", this may have been prevented, says Walia, "We knew this is coming, we are expecting worse than this."

BARG

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state of the Michigan economy had the candidates riled up in fairly short order.

DeVos promptly took the opportunity to capitalize on Granholm's record as governor noting that Michigan has the highest unemployment rate and weakest economy in the nation and, more importantly, this has not changed under Granholm's leadership.

Yet he failed to mention several critical details — as Granholm took the time to point out — citing the \$4 billion deficit left to her by former governor John Engler (Republican) as well as the cuts in Federal funding to state programs as all things that have hampered her efforts to turn around the Michigan economy.

He also tried to address the Single-Business Tax (SBT) that is crippling small businesses in Michigan as well as the fact that Granholm vetoed a bill seeking to eliminate this tax that is disliked by both parties.

Once again, however, Granholm had to remind him that it would have been fiscally irresponsible to pass the legislation eliminating the SBT as the Republican legislature gave no alternative to replace the \$1.9 billion in government revenue that would have been lost when the government is already making huge cuts to slues of state programs, including public works and education due to

a lack of funding. One has to question a Republican candidate's economic philosophy when a Democrat is lecturing them on fiscal responsibility. What's more, Granholm detailed a plan that will both replace any revenue lost by the SBT while relieving the heavy burden Michigan companies currently feel under the SBT, known as the Michigan Jobs & Investments Act (MJIA).

Beyond stating that she had an "aggressive economic plan to secure [Michigan's] economic future" Granholm spoke on how she was already involving over 61 companies in Michigan in creating a plan to bring thousands of jobs to the state.

In contrast, DeVos, while trying to depict himself as the pinnacle of 'responsible leadership' and proving his prowess as a critic of Granholm's policies, failed to provide any concrete and detailed solutions to the economic downturn besetting Michigan and its work force.

DeVos went to great lengths in order to try and paint Granholm as anti-business for Michigan voters yet her myriad of concrete examples spoke to the heart of the matter; Granholm has been working hard for the past four years to turn the tide set by her predecessor in order to bring companies and jobs back to the state while DeVos has invested the majority of his energy and resources telling Michigan voters what is wrong with their state while giving no solutions to address these serious problems.

All of this brings about an important question, if DeVos stumbled when challenged by Granholm, is he up to the challenge of being governor of Michigan?

I suppose one should use history as a guide when deciding something like this. After serving for a short period of time as a Trustee for Grand Valley State, DeVos resigned from this appointed position.

As a member of the Michigan Board of Education, DeVos also resigned after a short tenure there. As the Republican gubernatorial candidate, DeVos was unable to meet the challenges presented to him by Granholm.

This then begs the question, is the governorship of Michigan too challenging for DeVos?

Based on these facts it would appear so, however; this will ultimately be up to the voters of Michigan come Nov. 7.

All this having been said, I have few reservations in saying that Jennifer Granholm came out as the victor of Monday's debate and, if her ability to adapt and take on the challenges during the debate—those very same challenges that flummoxed her challenger—are to be used as a guide, she will continue to fare well in the next two gubernatorial debates (scheduled for October 10 and 17) as well as Election Day Tuesday, Nov. 7.

— Michael Mersol-Barg is the president of the Oakland University College Democrats

VITALE

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of no importance to the voters of Michigan. While many pundits may contend that one candidate prevailed over the other, the actual winners were the people of Michigan. The people of Michigan were able to see that the only thing the governor is able to do is blame others — she took no responsibility for the almost 100,000 jobs that have left the state on her watch. Granholm has consistently shifted the

blame for things that have happened under her administration — from Michigan's single-state recession to the mistaken release of prisoner Patrick Selepak, who viciously murdered several people.

While Granholm shifted the blame of all of Michigan's problems, DeVos clearly demonstrated that he has the background needed to led the state out of this single-state recession just as he had led a struggling company back to profitability and revitalized a historic Michigan city.

DeVos may not have been as glamorous and smooth

during the debate, but remember those are not the qualities that produce superior leadership.

As far as I am concerned the governor's track record is evidence enough that we need change at the top.

Monday night, the people of Michigan saw two clear choices for the future of our great state.

Over the past four years, the Granholm plan has resulted in the average income for Michigan families dropping at an unprecedented rate.

Michigan's unemployment rate ranks higher

than any other state in the nation, including those hit by Hurricane Katrina last summer. During the debate she attempted to blame others for the blunders that are happening on her watch.

She continued to insist that the Republican president is responsible for Michigan's woes — but somehow is creating a successful business environment in 49 other states. This is not the type of leadership the people of Michigan deserve.

DeVos offers a clear difference. He is proposing real solutions to the very real prob-

lems Michiganders are facing.

Instead of shifting the blame to others, he has vowed to stand up for Michigan jobs.

DeVos has experience as a well-rounded entrepreneur, and frankly, knows how to run a business.

Michigan is going through a change in the business atmosphere and DeVos will provide the leadership needed to diversify the Michigan economic marketplace.

The November election is particularly important for every college student.

The decisions being made in

Lansing have an effect on you

— whether you know it or not.

The Michigan Governor for the next four years will have a profound impact on many things, from your ability to find employment after graduation to your tuition.

Let's face it, Granholm has had four years to create a positive business environment, and she has failed miserably.

It is time for her to turn the reigns over to someone who has the knowledge and experience to get the job done.

— P. Pete Vitale is the interim chairman of the Oakland University College Republicans.

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Leaky pipes disrupt business-as-usual



A road block sits in front of Wilson Hall, where construction is underway to repair leaky high-temperature water pipes. The construction, which will take place near Varner Hall next, is expected to be completed in January. In the meantime, students are learning to cope with the minor detours.

Students wonder: why all the detours?

By AMANDA KEIFER
Contributing Reporter

Orange cones, barrels and construction equipment have been sprouting like weeds around campus for the past two weeks, and the accompanying sounds of pounding and digging are causing students to wonder what it's all for.

The correct answer, said Terry Stollsteimer, assistant vice president of facilities management, can be found in the ground.

Stollsteimer told The Post that high temperature water pipes have sprung leaks around campus and need to be repaired.

The fronts of the Oakland Center and Wilson Hall are the two areas currently undergoing repair work. Those sites will be followed by the side of Varner Hall, next to parking lot 24, Stollsteimer said.

The leaks will total approximately \$400,000 to fix. The Board of Trustees set the budget at \$5.8 million for the high temperature hot water trench.

The costs for all of these improvements are not connected to the tuition increase that was put into effect this year, Stollsteimer said.

As an added inconvenience, there will be no heating or cooling in several campus buildings while the work is being done.

While repairs are being done on the high temperature pipe next to Wilson Hall, there will be no heating or cooling in Graham Health Center or Wilson Hall.

Stollsteimer said that the repairs will take approximately two to four weeks.

The work near Varner is scheduled to begin work Oct. 9. While this pipe is under construction, Kresge Library will not have any air conditioning or heating.

This project will also finish within two to four weeks after the scheduled start.

The construction around the OC involves the high temperature pipes, however, further steps are being taken to ensure that the pipes will last longer. A high-temperature hot water trench is being built underground and runs from the front of the OC to Dodge Hall. This tunnel will provide a casing in order to prolong the life of the pipes - allowing them to last up to five times longer. This project is expected to finish in January.

Many students are upset that the construction is starting now — when campus is at its busiest.

"When did the leaks happen?

Why didn't they start this earlier?" asked freshman Marissa Vendittelli.

Vendittelli is concerned that the construction will be in the way of the student traffic.

Freshman Amanda Kochanski, a student who frequently uses the Oakland Center, said "the construction in front of the OC is what effects me the most."

That area is a high traffic spot, and students fear that adding construction will only increase the congestion.

The pipe leaks just recently occurred and must be fixed as soon as possible, which is why construction had to begin during this time of year, Stollsteimer said.

The project around the OC was approved by the Board of Trustees during the fall of last year. It was scheduled to start during the spring semester and finish before students began the fall semester, but complications with other pipes in the ground delayed the start until recently.

QUOTE OF THE DAY ...

"I just wanted to tell students all they have to do is walk in here and they will immediately feel at home. It's not something to be afraid of, it's something to enjoy."

— Dick Goody, director of the newly renamed Oakland University Art Gallery

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Q: Do parking concerns amount to a lack of space - or a lack of willingness to walk far?



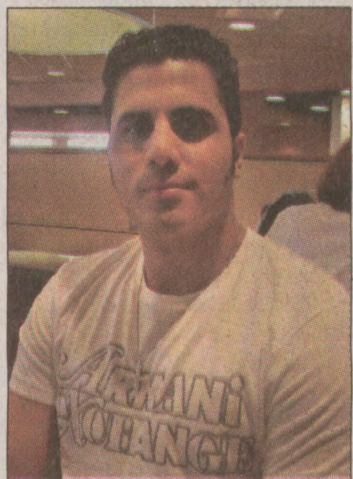
A: "I think it's a little bit of both because although I don't mind having to walk far, there are definitely times when trying to find ANY parking spot takes an extremely long time."

Amber Dietz
Sophomore
Undecided



A: "I can't believe that you can never find a parking spot — and the fact that people stalk you to find one."

Heather Lloid
Junior
Pre Physical Therapy



A: It's very difficult to find a spot in general — let alone the walking distance

Delon Almansour
Junior
Business/Marketing

TODAY'S WORDS

polyamory (n.): the state or practice of having more than one open romantic relationship at a time.

vernissage (n.): a private showing or preview of an art exhibition.

endemic (adj.): a. belonging or native to a particular people or country b. characteristic of or prevalent in a particular field, area or environment

New gallery name gets lukewarm reaction

Local artists have mixed feelings about OUAG

By KEVIN ALFORD
contributing reporter

After more than 40 years carrying the name Meadow Brook Art Gallery, the staff and faculty of Oakland University have tied the gallery and the university more closely together.

Now known as the Oakland University Art Gallery, or OUAG, OU

is hoping to strengthen its ties to the fine arts, and professional art showings — but several local artists aren't so sure that the change is good.

Kevin Ewing, co-curator of "Sculpture???", the current show at the OUAG said, "I thought it was unfortunate. I understand the reasons behind it, but now it sounds like some little undergrad gallery, and before it had a nice name people knew. Whenever you change a name of something that has a good reputation, you're kind of playing with fire. So now it just sounds like an offshoot of the art department."

Members of the administration disagreed and said they were confident that the new name would serve to bolster OU's overall status.

"Meadow Brook Gallery was known and had a history, but there were some who would consider that the Meadow Brook Art Gallery was some different entity that was placed at Oakland University," said Virinder Moudgil, provost for Oakland University.

"So by calling it Oakland University Art Gallery we have made a formal arrangement so this misunderstanding does not exist."

Moudgil added that the change strengthens — formally and symbolically — the role Oakland University plays in arts, the support of arts, and the further commitment to students and faculty both for learning, exploring and serving the community.

Other artists are less concerned

than Ewing that the name change will diminish the gallery's reputation — but at least one is still saddened to lose the iconic Meadow Brook name.

"Ever since I've known it as Meadow Brook Art Gallery, it's been a prominent gallery that I wanted to show at, as well as come to many, many functions here," said Brian Nelson, currently showing at the OUAG. "I'm certainly not angry about (the change), but, I hope that the gallery itself doesn't lose its prominent stance in the community."

"It is hard because there's a lot of history with the name," said Professor Andrea Eis, chair of the department of art and art history, "there's a lot of connection to the other parts of what goes on with the

arts with Oakland."

Ed Fraga, a Ferndale based artist who has shown at the gallery before told The Post that he's not concerned about the change.

"Meadow Brook, because of the direction of Dick Goody, has lived up being a top notch gallery. And it's because of his reputation, and what he's brought into the university, I'm not worried about its future," Fraga said.

"The whole idea of a gallery is to bring people and art together," said Goody, who is also co-curator of the "Sculpture???" "I just wanted to tell students all they have to do is walk in here and they will immediately feel at home. It's not something to be afraid of, it's something to enjoy."

POLICEFILES

- A man was issued a citation for driving on a suspended license last Thursday after being stopped by OUPD for driving without his headlights. The police also discovered that he was using a plate that did not belong to the vehicle he was driving, and that the plate's tags had been colored from yellow to orange.
- OUPD responded to a hit and run last Friday after the owner of a vehicle parked in lot P 26 reported that his car had been hit. A report has been filed.

- A man was arrested by OUPD in Hamlin Hall early Sunday morning after displaying threatening and violent behavior when he received a minor in possession citation. The responding officer said that she heard the suspect throwing objects around the dorm room where he was staying — after slamming the door in officer's face. The suspect stated that he was on probation from a previous OWI arrest, and that he had been sober for the thirty days previous to the night of the arrest. He also said that he was receiving treatment for alcohol dependency.

- A woman reported missing on Sept. 26 by her brother — an OU student — was located the next day in Southfield. The student also stated his sister has been diagnosed as bipolar and schizophrenic, and that her medications may not be working.
- Officers responded to a call after a man was reported to have passed out in Hannah Hall. The man told OUPD that he passed out after hitting the back of his head. He was fine after being checked over by Auburn Hills Rescue.

'06 grad makes mark in world of literature

Former student turns classroom assignment into published book about Holocaust

By KELLY KOZLOWSKI
Contributing Reporter

Sometimes college gives you more than a degree. Sometimes the years of hard work and relentless studying, or slacking, yield results beyond grades and resume content.

Recent Oakland University graduate Jennette Hodur, SEHS '06, is living proof that sometimes, you are more than your major.

Hodur graduated from Oakland's School of Education and Human Services in May 2006 with a degree in elementary education and a book published and ready for distribution.

"L is for Lest We Forget: An ABC Book of the Holocaust" chronicles major elements of the Holocaust, letter by letter.

"P is for Poles" is Hodur's favorite letter because of her family's Polish heritage. She says her grandparents' stories of their World War II experiences interested her and inspired her to learn more about the Holocaust.

The book was originally written as an assignment for a class taught by Kristine Allen, a reading and language arts lecturer at OU. "I had no intentions of publishing it," said Hodur. Allen encouraged her to publish the book aimed at a middle school audience, and after researching different publishing houses, Hodur chose Author House.

The publishing process was "pretty difficult," according to Hodur. "There were plenty of times I thought I'd never see the end." But that didn't stop the aspiring writer and teacher.

Now the book is available for purchase online through various book distributors including Barnes and

Noble, Borders, Amazon.com and Holocaustmemory.com, which Hodur recommends to get the best price: \$14.99 plus shipping.

Research for the book took Hodur to various cities in Poland, as well as the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington D.C., where she eventually received permission to use archived photographs. Hodur also drew from her family's personal experiences and read Hitler's "Mein Kampf" to gain a different perspective. She said it was "interesting to see where those ideas came from before [Hitler] was in power."

Hodur says she is grateful for the experiences she had while at OU. "Through Oakland, I was able to do my student teaching in New Zealand," an opportunity which is not available at all universities.

Individual professors also played an important role in Hodur's overall experience at OU. She has her favorites, though she prefaced the list saying, "I feel badly just naming a few." Mostly, she says she is thankful for professors who conveyed their passions for literature and children, while creating an encouraging environment for students.

Despite the commuter tendency to only visit campus for class attendance purposes, Hodur chose to get involved in the Student Michigan Education Association, serving as president.

These days, Hodur finds ways to incorporate the different teaching techniques she learned in New Zealand in her American classroom at Lakeville Elementary School in Florida. She says she would like to eventually find a teaching job in Michigan. In the mean time, her book is providing a new resource for elementary and middle school curriculum. Many schools have already added the book to their libraries and lesson plans.

Hodur is currently working on her second book, which will incorporate interviews with her family members. She says her main focus now is teaching, but "ideally, I would love to be a writer."

She appears to be well on her way.

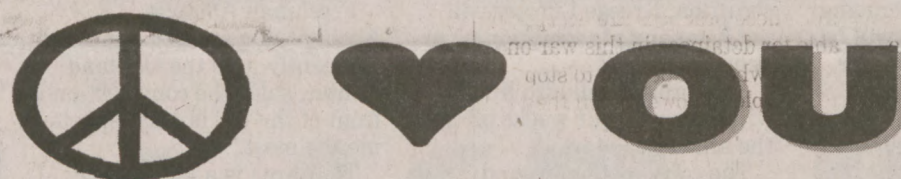
FUN, FOOD AND A MECHANICAL BULL



JAIME STAFFORD/The Oakland Post

MEMBERS OF THE OU CAMPUS COMMUNITY GATHERED LAST FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHTS AT OU'S RECREATION CENTER FOR REC FEST, WHICH FEATURED ALL SORTS OF INTERACTIVE FUN, FOOD AND GAMES. ON THE LIST OF ACTIVITIES OFFERED—MECHANICAL BULL RIDES, AS FEATURED ABOVE. THE EVENT WAS SPONSORED BY CAMPUS RECREATION, STUDENT PROGRAM BOARD, RESIDENCE HALLS COUNCIL AND INTRIGUE.

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9:00-10:00 p.m.
Bridge over The Lake

"The Hustle" Night

10:00-11:00 p.m.
118-119 Vandenberg Hall

Wednesday, Oct 11

"Boogie Daze" Street Fair

FREE 60's/70's food, fun and entertainment
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Lower Level, Oakland Center

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4:00 p.m.
Lower Fields

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Debates should be watched

Did you watch the debate Monday night between Gov. Granholm and Dick DeVos? What? You didn't? Why not? It's reality television at its best.

It featured a Canadian Democrat and a billionaire Republican. What could be more fun than watching these two polar opposites argue about the economy and insult each other's capabilities?

All kidding aside, everyone in Michigan, including Oakland University students, should have been watching the gubernatorial debates.

There is so much at stake at this, and every, election that we as active members of a democracy can't afford not to watch debates. Debates serve the primary purpose of informing citizens.

Informing not only about the candidates but about the issues at hand.

One of the major issues discussed during this election season is the state of our economy. Both candidates are quick to point out that the economy and employment rate in Michigan is horrible. But they differ on how they are going to fix it.

The economy and employment rate is something that especially college students should be educated about.

After all, the majority of us will be graduating and looking for a job in the next couple of years.

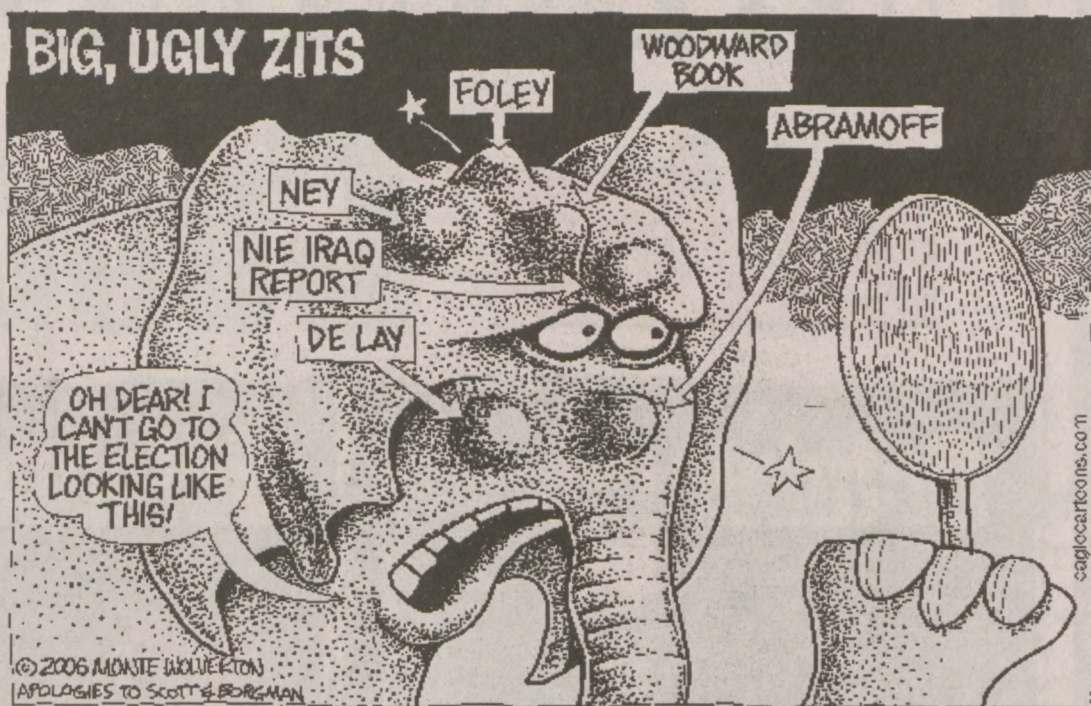
Thus, the employment rate has a direct impact on our lives and, most of all, our future. What are some other hot-button issues that are being discussed in this election? Here are a list of five that have an impact on our lives and an impact on who will be the next governor of Michigan:

1. Stem-cell research
2. Abortion
3. Politicians taking money from lobbyists
4. Education reform
5. The environment

Most statistics show that most people our age do not spend time reading about these, or any, political issues (c'mon, did you really read our front-page coverage of the debates), but we do spend time watching television.

So what would it hurt if you spent a little time during the next televised debate watching what they have to say? It may not be as action-filled as "Lost," but at least you can learn about something that will actually influence your life and your future while watching TV. The next debate is scheduled to air on Tuesday, Oct. 10 from 8-9 p.m. on WDIV-TV (Local 4).

—The Oakland Post



"Big Ugly GOP Zits"
By Monte Wolverton

CORRECTION

In last week's edition of The Post, the Perspectives page contained an editorial written by one of our staff columnists that has since been proven to contain inaccurate information regarding what took place at a student congress meeting in August.

Contrary to what was stated in the column, no member of student congress made defamatory remarks during the meeting, which

featured a discussion on the Michigan Civil Rights Initiative bill.

Additionally, an inaccurate statistic that claimed the Oakland University student body was split 50/50 on the MCRI issue was also contained in the column. It should be noted that this statistic was not reached through scientific research, and thus should not be taken as factual.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

As the Senate takes up the debate over the treatment and trials of terrorism suspects it is important to remember that the Geneva Conventions are not "quaint." They are the law of the land. The Senate must reject a compromise ironed out between three courageous Republicans and the Bush Administration because it is fundamentally flawed. They must not vote to allow one man, the President, to determine which method of torture is acceptable. Torture is not acceptable. And the President does not make the law. Even more important is that they

not allow the legislation's habeas-stripping provisions to go forward. As Chairman of the Judiciary Committee Arlen Specter reminded the Senators on Wednesday, Sandra Day O'Connor made it clear that habeas rights apply to anyone held on American soil (including at Guantanamo Bay).

In America, a man is innocent until proven guilty. We believe in the right to representation, the right to hear the charge against you, to have an appeal. We believe in the right to a speedy trial. Innocent people are being held right now, indefinitely, with no charge levied against them, without a

chance for an appeal. With no way to defend themselves. Some have been brutally tortured.

This is not acceptable in our democracy. It is criminal. It is a disgrace.

If we accept torture, if we agree to the suspension of Habeas Corpus, we denigrate our most cherished values. We begin the unraveling of our constitution. And if we agree that these practices are acceptable for detainees in this war on terror, who will be able to stop the people in power when they decide to come after us?

Katie Jacob
Birmingham



"e-male"
By John Darkow

STAFF COLUMN

Democracy not served best when operas are cancelled, comics lay on floor

By KYLE MAGIN
Staff Columnist

Democracy is losing the war on terrorism. A bold statement, but one that has gained more and more validity around the globe. Last week in Germany, the prestigious opera house, Deutsche Oper Berlin, cancelled four performances on its fall slate of an opera depicting Mohammed, Jesus, Buddha and the Greek God Poseidon all being beheaded. The opera has been cancelled due to concerns that Islamic extremists would pose a serious security risk to the opera house and its patrons.

This incident is another in a disturbing trend of art being censored by terror. Last year democracy was dealt a harsh blow when newspapers refused to run cartoons illustrating Mohammed.

Taobos, like images of the Prophet, or the Bible being desecrated, or flags being burnt, are meant to be discussed in an open and honest way rather than shoved in a closet out of fear. If a certain race, religion or political party is feared enough to alter art, then they are dictators. A dictatorship, though, is constructed of two parties. The dictator, in this case Islamic extremists, and

the dictated, those who refuse to run comics or operas for fear that they will offend the feelings of Muslims. The latter is an enabler, allowing those who threaten to gain real power, allowing those who hate to run our lives, allowing democracy to fail because of fear.

Without freedom of expression, a democratic society cannot survive. A democratic society can only survive with a compromise between political and societal leaders.

Like it or not, free discussion is a pillar of Democracy. Samuel Adams knew it when he published his papers against the British, Edward

R. Murrow knew it when he went on national television and discussed the often unfair persecution of Americans under the reign of Joseph McCarthy, and Dr. King knew it when he had his dream. They all also knew and were ready to accept the consequences. Adams was well aware that if the King's flag were to fly over Massachusetts again, he would hang; Murrow knew that McCarthy could end his career, and King knew that his life would be in danger for speaking words of truth. Yet these protectors of freedom marched on with their causes, because they knew that liberty was worth life. Their passion

is something that proponents of democracy everywhere need to rediscover.

Democracy is not served best when operas are cancelled and comics lay on newsroom floors. Rather, democracy breathes and flourishes under a system where everything is fair game for discussion. To reach that goal, we need to roll up our sleeves and bring these issues to the top story on the network news, to the front page of the national dailies and every magazine. People of democratic nations need to be willing to step up again and face consequences in the name of freedom.

Finally, appeasing Islamic terrorists, and the feelings of Muslims everywhere, is a sign of ultimate disrespect. It illustrates a sentiment that they are not ready to get in on democracy, that we are deciding who our system applies to. What needs to be done is to include Muslims in the democratic system, to attack and defend them like any other group. Every time that civic discussion is thwarted, democracy is losing. Every time a group is allowed to bully people into censoring art or debate, the armor of democracy in chinked, let's hope that there is still enough left to resurrect the Democracy we used to know.

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■ In the Sept. 27 issue of The Post, men's hockey player Jim Sardelli's name was misspelled.

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a. Jennifer Granholm
b. Laura Bush
c. Maya Angelou
d. Ann Coulter | 3. Student leaders at Oakland University gave their opinion on the gubernatorial debate.
True
False | 5. OU professor Satish Walia of the _____ Department predicted the spinach contamination.
a. Health Science
b. Biology
c. Chemistry
d. Nursing |
| 2. What Professor was featured in the select seven this week in "the mix" section.
a. Professor Peter Binkert
b. Professor David Dulio
c. Professor Benjamin Hoffiz
d. Professor Tim Hoey | 4. When are the elections for governor and other mid term officials?
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QUOTE OF THE MOMENT ...

"He has a passion for candles. He is my kind of guy."
— Harry Slatkin, president of Home Design for Bath & Body Works' parent company, commenting on his collaboration with Elton John for a new line of candles.

By KYLE MAGIN
Senior Reporter

On a cold, rainy, October day in Detroit, the dank-smelling air gave way to a festive atmosphere in front of Comerica Park. On Monday, thousands of people gathered in the foul weather to rally support for their Tigers. The fans grouped around T.V. announcer Mario Impemba and Tiger greats of the past, along with various other political and sports figures as they delivered one rah-rah speech after another from a stage outside of the ballpark. The stage provided a fitting contrast to the drab landscape on the drab day, sparkling with lights and a huge television screen against the grey backdrop of sky, drizzle and buildings.

Fans weren't deterred by the weather or the equally dreary performance of their hometown club of late.

"Their performance didn't dampen my enthusiasm," said Don Streit, a 23 year old Sterling Heights man, "We've got to play everybody any-ways, and my mom and I are big fans, this was something we had to be here for."

The Tigers' five game losing skid entering the playoffs was a recurring point in many of the speaker's addresses. Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, booed upon introduction, drew the loudest cheer with his comments.

"We're back, this team is the heart and soul of the city of Detroit, and the Playoffs are a new season, so its time to roll up our sleeves and get back to work." Said Kilpatrick. He went on to say "I've read the Bible, and I know the story of David and Goliath, and New York had better get ready for the biggest stone in the biggest sling." Kilpatrick left the stage to a cascade of applause, leaving the fans in a frenzy.

The speaker who drew the most adoration, both before and after his speech, was longtime Tigers radio announcer Ernie Harwell. As he trotted to the podium, he was greeted by chants of "Ernie! Ernie!" Harwell emphasized the Tigers were surrounded by the same energy that the teams in 1968 and '84 were, and thanked the fans for coming out on such an adverse day. Other key speakers included former Tigers Gates Brown, Dan Petry and John Warden.

Tiger CEO Christopher Ilitch also thanked the fans for attending the rally, saying "I think that everyone coming out here is really indicative of this city's spirit."

"I skipped school to come down today," said Rich Rhody, an 18 year old from Port Huron, "It's something to do, and I went to the game last night and wanted to show my support for the Tigers. I think the Tigers will win in four, which will be cool

because they'll win here in Detroit." Decker out in batting gloves, Puma cleats, official Tigers jacket and hat, and a wad of chewing tobacco, John Hicks, 24, from Livonia, looked more

like he should have accompanied the team plane to New York as a player than stood outside in the rain. "I think we have a pretty solid chance because we've got it in the heart,

where it counts. The (Yankees) are just a team of individuals." Hicks went on to say, "The weather doesn't bug me, I came out to cheer on the team and that's what matters."



Heather Hornby, top, gets a boost to sign a moveable sign board during a Detroit Tigers fan rally in Detroit, Monday, Oct. 2, 2006. The Detroit Tigers hosted the fan rally to celebrate the team's first postseason baseball appearance in nearly two decades. (AP Photo/Paul Sancya)

IT'S ALL IN THE NUMBERS

300,000,000

According to U.S. News & World Report, America's population will pass 3-billion Sometime this month

1,000-1,200

estimated audience members at the Maya Angelou lecture. The demand overflowed into the O.C. for the simulcast.

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The number of Senate votes that passed the military commissions act, giving the president the authority to prosecute accused terrorists.

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million viewers tuned into CSI on Thursday to make it the most watched show on television.

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the Tiger's second half winning percentage, with a 36-38 record, accoring to yahoosports.com

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THE WORLD IN BRIEF

North Korea says it will conduct nuclear test, but leaves door open to disarmament

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - North Korea triggered global alarm on Tuesday by saying it will conduct a nuclear test, a key step in the manufacture of atomic bombs that it views as a deterrent against any U.S. attack. But the North also said it was committed to nuclear disarmament, suggesting a willingness to negotiate.

The contradictory statement fits a North Korean pattern of ratcheting up tension on the Korean Peninsula, a Cold War-era flashpoint, in an attempt to win concessions such as economic aid. The strategy has had mixed results in recent years as the totalitarian regime sinks deeper into isolation and poverty, with China serving as its lifeline for food and fuel.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice called North Korea's announcement "a very provocative act." It came as the standoff deepened over Iran's nuclear program, with senior U.N. diplomats saying six world powers would begin negotiations Friday in London on possibly imposing sanctions against Tehran for refusing to suspend uranium enrichment.

It was the first time the North had publicly announced its intent to conduct a nuclear test. Previously, it had warned that it might conduct a test, depending on U.S. actions.

House Speaker Hastert, dismisses call for resignation

WASHINGTON (AP) - House Speaker Dennis Hastert brushed aside resignation talk Tuesday, even as the Republicans' No. 2 House leader contradicted him in the page scandal. President Bush gave Hastert a vote of confidence as the party struggled to contain pre-election fallout.

Hastert, an Illinois Republican, said he wouldn't resign as speaker, the top official in Congress and second in the line of succession to the presidency, in the controversy over Rep. Mark Foley's salacious computer exchanges with former pages. Foley resigned last Friday.

"I'm not going to do that," Hastert said when asked by conservative talk show host Rush Limbaugh whether he would resign.

Hastert sought to blame Democrats for leaking sexually explicit computer instant messages between Foley and former pages from 2003.

"We have a story to tell, and the Democrats have - in my view have- put this thing forward to try to block us from telling the story. They're trying to put us on defense," Hastert said.

Guantanamo Bay detainees are being served meals totaling 4,200 calories per day

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) - A high-calorie diet combined with life in the cell block - almost around the clock in some cases - is making detainees at Guantanamo Bay fat.

Meals totaling a whopping 4,200 calories per day are brought to their cells, well above the 2,000 to 3,000 calories recommended for weight maintenance by U.S. government dietary guidelines. And some inmates are eating everything on the menu.

One detainee has almost doubled in weight, to 410 pounds, said Navy Cmdr. Robert Durand, spokesman for the detention facilities at Guantanamo, a U.S. Navy station in southeast Cuba.

Human rights groups attribute the weight gain to lack of exercise. They cite accounts of released detainees who complained they were allowed to exercise fewer than three times a week outside their small cells.

But Durand said detainees are simply served a wide variety of food and are expected to choose what appeals to them.

Silversun Pickups make beautiful noise

By JEREMY SELWESKI
Contributing Reporter

Silversun Pickups sound like they would have loved nothing more than to be on the panel for VH1's "I Love the '90s" series.

They could have sat between Michael Ian Black and Mo'Nique and candidly discussed the virtues of flannel shirts and unwashed hair, reminiscing about the blue dress, the white Bronco and the purple dinosaur.

All kidding aside though, the L.A.-based band's sound does owe a sizeable debt to several leading groups from the alt-rock boom of the early '90s, most notably Smashing Pumpkins and My Bloody Valentine. It also bears significant traces of the sweaty noise collages of Sonic Youth, the droning, druggy beauty of the Jesus and Mary Chain and the free-wheeling guitar expeditions of Built to Spill.

The luminous and hypnotic Carnavas, their full-length debut, expertly channels the fire of early shoegaze and grunge, peeling off dreamy sonic murals laced with gauzy melodies that repeatedly poke their heads out of the thick haze.

However, Silversun Pickups—vocalist/guitarist Brian Aubert, bassist/vocalist Nikki Monninger, drummer Christopher Guanlao and keyboardist Joe Lester—quickly reveal themselves to be savvy tune smiths at heart. Within every song, a hummable pop nugget lurks just beneath the blanket of warm, fuzzed-out guitars.

This is showcased superbly on first single "Well Thought Out Twinkles," which alternates between a pulverizing Black Sabbath-style riff and ethereal melodies drenched in Siamese Dream grandeur.

Above the shimmering layers of guitar-mageddon, Aubert's raspy voice floats blithely, recalling a combination of Billy Corgan and Superchunk's Mac McCaughan.

Throughout Carnavas, his breathy sighs are occasionally augmented by Monninger's cooing harmonies. Their vocals often bleed indiscriminately into the dense mix, brandished like another weapon in the band's loaded arsenal.

However, during the more chaotic moments, as on the infectious "Lazy Eye," Aubert takes on a feral bark, shouting furiously above the din.

The spectacular "Future Foe Scenarios" illustrates Silversun Pickups' penchant for crafting spaced-out mind journeys. Its foreboding introduction finds Aubert singing, "The things we laid do not amount to much/Made of abandoned wood, loose stones and such," before the band takes off on an intergalactic voyage of fuzzy synth swells and mammoth, wall-of-noise guitars that would put a smile on Kevin Shields' face.

"Future Foe Scenarios" is also a perfect example of what separates Silversun Pickups from introverted indie-rock types: the intense physical and emotional release that defines their music. Rather than looking inward for answers, this is a band that would much prefer to reach out, to shake things up, to—as Soundgarden once proposed—blow up the outside world. They find catharsis via songs that toss navel-gazing aside in favor of fearless stargazing.

Silversun Pickups save their most inspired moment for Carnavas' closing salvo. "Common Reactor" arrives in a somber, reflective mood, drifting on a gentle wave of fuzz.

The chorus reveals an addictively gorgeous melody before kicking and screaming its way upward to an angels' choir of feedback.

Then, just as the song appears to be on a collision course for the sun, it all comes crashing down in an exquisite mess, an avalanche of violence and destruction.

It's a fitting conclusion to a record about embracing the beauty of noise.

Though Carnavas is remarkably consistent, it is not without a few minor blemishes.

Like an overload of cotton candy, at times its sweet and sticky textures can feel like too much of a good thing.

And the emphasis of sound over content often makes it impossible to decipher the songs' lyrics and figure out just what the hell the band is stirring up such a racket about.

Still, it's hard to fault them for



The Silversun Pickups from left to right: Joe Lester, Christopher Guanlao, Brian Aubert, Nikki Monninger.

Photo courtesy of Ink Tank PR.

sticking to an uncompromising vision. Silversun Pickups are world-weary dreamers, hopeless romantics and above all, ambitious sonic architects with a lust for epic anthems and vintage fuzzboxes.

On track after thundering track on Carnavas, they immaculately construct towering cathedrals of sound, only to shatter them into a million pieces and dance all over the broken shards with a gleeful smirk.

Their blissed-out noisescapes effortlessly bring the spirit of old-school alternative into the 21st century, earning Silversun Pickups one of the best rock albums of 2006.

And it's definitely good enough to earn them a spot on "I Love the '90s, Part Trois."

The Silversun Pickups will be playing at the Majestic Theater on November 24th. For more information visit: www.silversunpickups.com



MARK GOETHALS/The Oakland Post

Left: Look by Wet Seal
Dark denim skinny jeans - \$20.50
Brown stripe tunic sweater - \$17.50

Right: Look by Express Design Studio
White Tank - \$24.50
Black Stripe Vest - \$59.50
Black Crop Pant - \$49.50



Autumn fashions at falling prices

By STEPHANIE PARKINS
Contributing Reporter

How do you dress like a celebrity when the figures in your bank account add up to less than the average celebrity shopping spree? You get creative. As a young, style tracker I am, like most college students, forced to search for an alternative.

One item I have noticed is heating up the season are oversized, and extra long tunic sweaters. Try a v-neck in a solid or striped style and pair it with either leggings, or skinny jeans to complete the look. Leggings have been in for a few seasons, but skinny jeans have only recently become a hot commodity.

Skinny jeans live up to their name and are very form fitting. The leg of the pant becomes very tight around the ankle and look great with flats, tucked into knee high boots, or pumps.

This is of my favorite relaxed looks and perfect for a day of classes or a day of hanging with your friend. Stores like express can help you to attain the look for under \$100. Cheaper still, the exact look can be attained for under \$40 by shopping at a store like Wet Seal.

The newest look for women is to ... look like a man? Believe it or not jackets and vests are "in" this fall. Cropped and cut to be very fitting, the smaller look of the "male" attire can give a women that sex appeal that men are so often amused by. The feminine suit looks great worn over extra long tank tops, or tee-shirts, and paired with crop pants.

The crop pant has been popular throughout the summer months. Crop pants are worn just above the knee, very form fitting on the hip, then wider on the thigh. Cut to fall just above the knee, the cropped pant is flattering on almost anyone, showing off a slender line of the leg.

If a tasteful look for a night on the town or dancing it up at the clubs is what you need, this outfit is one of my favorites for those parties, and "girls night out" occasions. This look can be found at a store such as Express for over \$130. Although this look is an exquisite, and classy one it can still be achieved at a store such as Wet Seal for under \$45.

Checks don't have to bounce to dress like the celebs. Save your book money for the winter semester by spending less on fall fashions.

Professor of Linguistics
PETER BINKERT
favorite sentences

1. Colorless green ideas sleep furiously. (Noam Chomsky)
2. The horse raced past the barn fell. (Garden path sentence)
3. Illegitimacy is something we should talk about in terms of not having. (Dan Quayle)
4. There are more unsuccessful suicides than successful ones. (ABC News)
5. They need to adore me, so Christian Dior me. (line from "Evita")
6. Buffalo buffalo Buffalo buffalo buffalo buffalo Buffalo buffalo. ("buffalo" is a common noun, a proper noun, or a verb)
7. One word sums up probably the responsibility of any Governor, and that one word is "to be prepared." (George Bush)

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Dozens of high schools try new bible course

By **RICHARD N. OSTLING**
For AP Weekly Features

(AP) — How do you teach the Bible in public schools? Very carefully.

Yet this academic year, 78 U.S. school districts in 26 states are boldly embarking on a newsworthy experiment. They're offering high school elective courses using a new textbook, "The Bible and Its Influence" alongside Bible versions chosen by each student.

More schools might have signed up but the all-important teacher's edition of the book wasn't available for assessment till late August.

The teacher's version, by freelance writer and former college religion teacher Marjorie Haney Schafer, tells

educators to cultivate "respect" — for the U.S. Constitution as interpreted by courts; for Bible scholarship; for divergent opinions about the Bible; for various religions; and for the scriptural text itself.

Don't "disparage the Bible or treat its content lightly," but also "avoid uncritical adulation" that violates academic objectivity, Schafer advises.

A tall order. But "Influence" strives for non-sectarian attitudes and cleverly slides through potential trouble spots — for instance, creation in the Book of Genesis and the prophetic predictions in the Book of Revelation.

Are such courses even legal? The U.S. Supreme Court answered yes in the famous 1963 ruling that barred cer-

emonial school Bible readings. It stated that "the Bible is worthy of study for its literary and historic qualities" so long as material is "presented objectively as part of a secular program of education."

In practice, however, schools have shied away from Bible courses and potential controversy. Surveys show widespread biblical illiteracy among young Americans, much to the distress of high school and college teachers who recognize Scripture's central role in culture and history.

"Plenty of high school students don't even know who Moses was," lamented a favorable review of the textbook from the New York State School Boards Association.

"Influence" was edited by

Cullen Schippe, retired vice president with textbook publisher Macmillan/McGraw-Hill, and businessman Chuck Stetson, leader of the non-profit Bible Literacy Project that publishes the textbook. Dozens of Protestant, Catholic, Orthodox and Jewish experts representing various standpoints served as consultants.

The textbook hasn't roused major opposition from church-state separationists. Marc Stern of the American Jewish Congress, a leading lawyer advocating strict separation, calls it "an excellent and evenhanded introduction" that "without question" meets constitutional standards for public schools.

Surprisingly, brickbats come

instead from conservative Protestants who favor an older market rival, the course outline published by the National Council on Bible Curriculum in Public Schools.

The National Council's Web site posts a typical attack from the Rev. D. James Kennedy, a TV preacher and conservative activist, who calls the new textbook "extremely radical" and "very anti-biblical." Bible Literacy's Web site posts replies to such critics.

True, "Influence" doesn't supply what such conservatives would want for church instruction, but it does seek fairness for all sides. The teacher's edition claims the course acknowledges both "the science of biblical criticism" and "people of great biblical faith and evangelical spirit."

Actually, conservative Protestant leaders are divided and some endorse "Influence," among them the Rev. Ted Haggard, president of the National Association of Evangelicals. Other boosters include the chairman of the Catholic Biblical Association, the editor-in-chief of the Jewish Publication Society and numerous scholars — the sort of coalition that's rarely achieved when it comes to the Bible.

Bible Literacy designs its material to implement a 1999 accord, "The Bible and Public Schools," that it brokered with the First Amendment Center of the Freedom Forum foundation. Significantly, that accord has been endorsed by seven major public education organizations.

Race in politics: Candidates' offensive comments loom large in campaigns

By **ERIN TEXEIRA**
AP National Writer

(AP) — Highlighting candidates' race-tinged comments seems to be the campaign gotcha of this political season, even if the words were uttered decades ago.

Republican Sen. George Allen of Virginia has been fending off charges of racism for almost two months and now he's on the spot for allegedly making offensive comments about blacks and other groups in the 1970s. His Democrat opponent, Jim Webb, has had to answer for writing dialogue in a novel that includes a common racial slur.

The finger also has been pointed at another candidate, entertainer Kinky Friedman, who's making a bid for governor in Texas. He's publicly made blunt, sometimes ethnically offensive, comments as far back as a 1980 nightclub act.

Whether it's fair game to scrutinize such remarks — and whether it works to turn voters against a candidate — seems to depend on the individual case.

"The American people try to be fair — people will give you a chance to explain," said Frederick J. Antczak, an expert on political rhetoric at Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Mich. "It all depends on whether people can connect this to previous incidents or to a voting record."

"I just don't think that the majority of Americans are inclined anymore to tolerate open and unapologetic instances of racism," he said.

Friedman, a country singer and humorist, is an independent candidate. Last month, he called Hurricane Katrina evacuees, most of whom are black, "crackheads and thugs," but later apologized. On a 1980 audio tape that resurfaced last month, he mocked several ethnic groups and used a racial

slur for blacks: He insisted he was joking, though the Texas NAACP demanded an apology.

A fictional character in Webb's 2001 novel "Fields of Fire," about the Vietnam War, uses the slur for blacks as well. "It would be disingenuous to say he (Webb) has never used the term before," said Jessica Smith, his spokeswoman, "but never in a derogatory way."

Allen has faced criticism for a string of remarks in recent weeks. On Aug. 11, he called a Webb campaign volunteer of Indian descent "macaca," a type of monkey, and a few weeks later seemed irritated when asked about new revelations that his maternal grandfather was Jewish. Allen said he loves eating pork, which violates Jewish dietary laws.

Last month, Allen's college classmates and acquaintances went public with stories from the 1970s and '80s that he routinely made racist comments about blacks. He has said the stories are untrue. His campaign did not respond to requests for further comment.

"Of course I would want to know where my candidate stands on his sensitivities or insensitivities, and I think it's appropriate to bring those things up — candidates should address that," said Tara Wall, a spokeswoman for the Republican National Committee. "But Sen. Allen has been the butt of a campaign of hate. He's been a governor, he's been a senator and all this is coming up now?"

Not only is it coming up — it seems to be having an effect. An MSNBC/McClatchy Poll conducted by Mason-Dixon Polling & Research Inc. and released on Friday had Allen and Webb in a dead heat. Two months ago, a Mason-Dixon poll had Allen leading by 16 percentage points.

"The 'macaca' moment was certainly a turning point in the

campaign," Smith said.

No matter when they're uttered, verbal missteps regarding race have long been political weapons.

Earlier this year, Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and White House spokesman Tony Snow were quickly criticized for using the term "tar baby" in separate incidents to describe sticky situations. Both said they were unaware that some consider it a derogatory term for blacks.

Sen. Trent Lott, a Republican from Mississippi, said in 2002 the country would be better off if Sen. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina had been elected during his bid for president in 1948. Thurmond had promised to preserve racial segregation during that run but changed that stance later in life. He died in 2003.

Even though Lott had quietly supported groups and issues in the South that many civil rights activists condemned, he was pressured to quit as Senate majority leader after his comments about Thurmond reverberated across the nation.

As Lott's experience showed, politicians sometimes make comments that are well-received among sympathetic listeners but don't go over well on a broader stage, Antczak said. "There's an inability to handle the nationalization of the rhetoric," he said.

When an elected official is repeatedly accused of making offensive comments — even if the comments are years-old and unproven — they can have a cumulative effect, said Dianne M. Pinderghughes, a political scientist at the University of Notre Dame.

Voters begin to believe that "something is there. You don't know what it is, you don't know how substantive it is, but every time you dig, more stuff comes out," she said.

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Oakland Center Student Resource Center
(SRC)

Maya Angelou sees the future

*Author
returns to
speak to OU*

By ERIN MALLARD
Features Editor

Maya Angelou, one of the most accomplished and respected individuals of our time, wants you to be a "rainbow in the clouds."

Monday night, Angelou returned to Oakland University for a third time to speak as part of the Student Life Lecture series. She was greeted by a standing, cheering audience of OU students, staff, faculty, and community members. Some had waited for over an hour to see her speak, and many watched from an overflow viewing area in Pioneer Food court.

In a speech colored with songs, poetry and humor, Angelou encouraged the audience to create a better future — to be a "rainbow" — for the people who would one day fill their shoes.

She also reminded the audience that they had achieved their current positions in life — as students or professionals — because of their own "rainbows." These included ancestors from all over the world that came to America to create opportunities for future generations.

"You are here because you have already been paid for, whether you know it or not," she said.

"All you really have to do is prepare yourselves, so you can pay for someone who is yet to come."

Freshman Physical Therapy major Allegra Rohan said that Angelou's words reminded her to "be more appreciative of people who are helping me get to where I am and where I want to be."

"She's an amazing woman. She's aged very gracefully."

Angelou also talked about her own, personal "rainbows": people like her Uncle Willie, who taught her to read and multiply, and Mrs. Flowers, who encouraged her to speak after years of silence. Angelou had a difficult childhood and received no formal education, and yet has gone on to receive 60 honorary doctorates.

In an interview with The Oakland Post, Angelou told the story of her most memorable speaking experience, one that rendered this prolific writer speechless. She received an honorary doctorate from the University of Arkansas — the state where her great grandmother had been a slave — and was asked to give the commencement speech there. Her cousin was the first African American woman to be vice chancellor of the university.

"That morning when I looked out to give the commencement address ... the stadium was filled because for each person graduating, sometimes a whole village — three or four families got together — because sometimes people are poor ... and they need this family to promise to buy the shoes, and this family to buy the books, so when the person graduated there were 30 people to see this one. It was packed," said Angelou.

"And I thought of my great grandmother, and I thought of my cousin, there in her long robes and so forth. And I thought of the United States. And I thought how far we've come



Dr. Maya Angelou, world-renowned poet, author, actress, advocate and cook graced Oakland University with her presence and powerful words on Monday evening. Members of the OU community waited in a line that wrapped around the Oakland Center to listen to her speak. Her final request was that she be asked to speak at the university again, before 16 years- the time since her last appearance here-has passed.

and how much further to go, still. And I could hardly speak."

When asked what she would like students to take away from her speech, she responded,

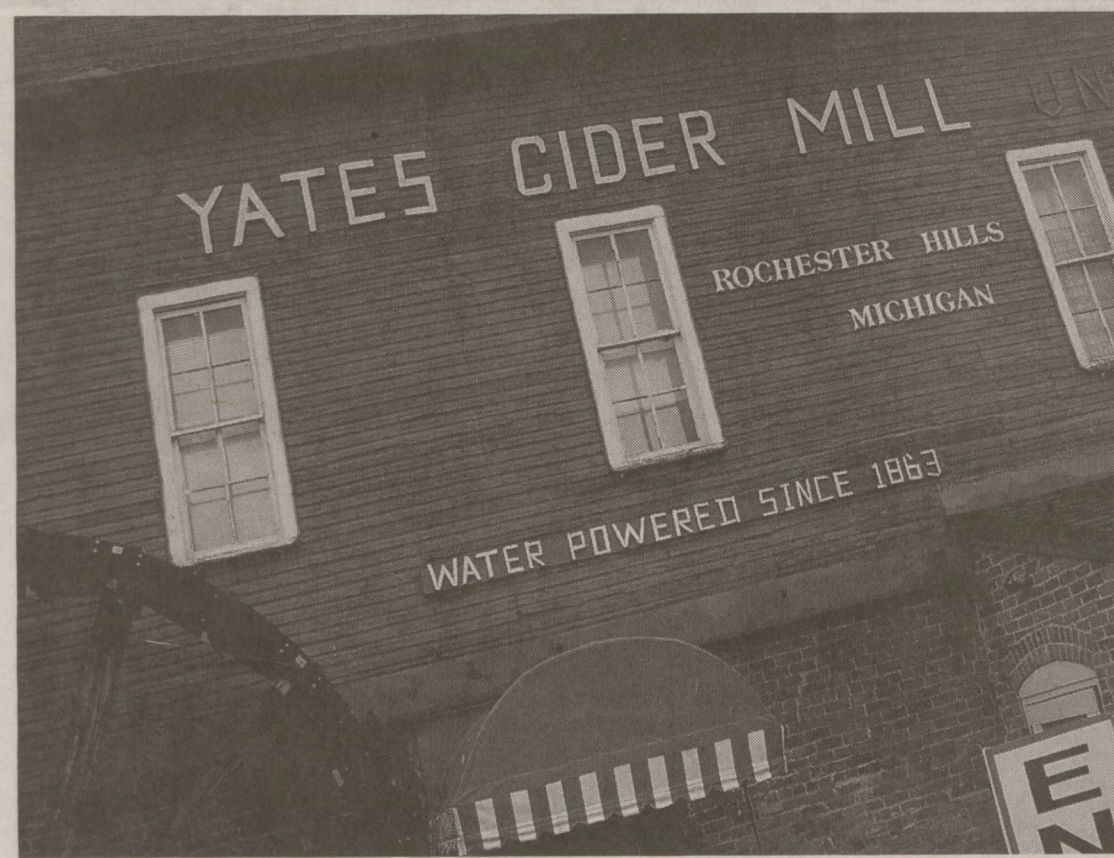
"I'd like you to understand that

human beings are more alike than we are unlike. It seems a simple statement, but if more people around the world believed that, they wouldn't be at each other's throats."

Asked the reason she speaks

so often to college audiences, she replied, "The truth is, you are all we have. You are the people who stand between us and extinction. When I look at your faces, I see my tomorrow."

Meet me at the apple orchard



MARK GOETHALS/The Oakland Post

*Cider mills are
a staple of the
fall season*

By CRYSTAL NELSON
Contributing Reporter

The air has a familiar crispness, the days grow shorter and the leaves trade their greenness for a golden glow; fall is announced and apples are in their prime.

For many students, visiting cider mills represents a landmark of their childhood. They return time and time again to make new memories.

In Rochester and its surrounding areas, cider mills are abundant. A quick Yahoo search shows that there are at least eight cider mills within 10 miles of Oakland University.

Each cider mill offers visitors variety and generally, their

own products.

Several cider mills close to Rochester have their apples ready to go for customers with no opportunity to self-pick apples in the orchard, but West View Orchard in Romeo does allow customers to pick their own apples Saturdays and Sundays.

The availability of apples offered at the mills depends on what is ready to be picked, but most offer the basics: McIntosh, Gala, Red Delicious and Jonathan apples. Some cider mills feature additional varieties. Goodison Cider Mill offers the Red Spy, Paint Creek Cider Mill has the Honey Crisp and West View Orchard's variety is updated each Friday.

Each cider mill also offers its own varieties of products such as caramel apples, apple pie, doughnuts and toasted nuts made daily. They may also sell pumpkins and additional products. Yates Cider Mill has a fudge shop filled with all sorts

of flavors like cookies 'n' cream and peanut butter.

Expect to pay at least \$6.00 for a gallon of apple cider at the mills, although you can get it cheaper in most grocery stores. Many cider mills also offer half-gallons or pints, which are cheaper.

The cider mills come alive during the weekends with additional activities like petting zoos, pony and hay rides.

West View orchard has a 12-acre corn maze and a 40-foot slide. If opting for a laid back afternoon, go during the week when there are less people and shorter lines.

Local Cider Mills

- Varelle Orchards — Romeo, (586) 752-2989
- West View Orchards — Romeo, (586) 752-3123
- Goodison Cider Mill — Orion, (248) 652-8450
- Paint Creek Cider Mill — Rochester Hills, (248) 651-8361
- Yates Cider Mill — Rochester Hills, (248) 651-8300

Screen Actors guild making presence known

*Opportunities
available for those
who want to get
involved*

By ERIN MALLARD
Features Editor

Looking for the fast track to Hollywood stardom? Want to be the next Spielberg, Cruise or Jolie?

Secretly making a sci-fi movie in your basement?

Put down the plastic Godzilla and check out the Oakland University Film Maker's Guild, where students with film fetishes get together and make movie magic.

The Film Maker's Guild, which was started last September, is a "community of filmmakers," with diverse majors, according to Senior Communications major and Film Maker's Guild President

Tim Atwood.

The primary focus of the organization is filmmaking, which includes writing, directing and producing, all done by students. Over the summer, they made five short films and one 40-minute film titled "The Rapid Path to Success," which premiered on Sept. 7 at the Clarkston Union Bar and Kitchen in downtown Clarkston.

The film started as a five-minute project, and became a 40-minute film that took five months to complete.

A comedy starring Senior Theater Performance major Marco Z, it follows the story of Lewis Mumpford, a man whose life is falling apart until he sees an infomercial for a self-help program.

Unfortunately, the creator of the program begins to control Mumpford's life through his organizer. Z plays Mumpford, or "the shmuck who gets brainwashed."

The premiere was a success, drawing a crowd of over 70 friends, students, and alumni.

"It's a great experience," said Z of

his involvement in the Film Maker's Guild. "It gets you exposed to every aspect of filmmaking."

Members of The Film Maker's Guild also participate in "film appreciation" events. "(We) just kind of enjoy good cinema...watch the classics together," explained Atwood.

In the past, the Guild has taken trips to the Detroit Film Theater and the Redford Theater together.

The Film Maker's Guild is also involved in community service projects.

Sophomore Communications Major and Film Maker's Guild Treasurer Jared Radtke, along with a group of students from the Advanced TV course, won second place in the Center for International Disasters Information (CIDI) PSA contest over the summer.

The students used some of the Film Maker's Guild's equipment for the project, a 30-second commercial which explained "that it is better for Americans to donate money or check

orders for international disaster relief rather than canned goods and physical possessions because logistically it makes it difficult to transport," according to Radtke.

"We're hoping, later on, to help make the Guild more interactive in the community by looking for more of these contests...getting our name out there...and showing that we really do care for the community," said Radtke.

Another community service project that the Film Maker's Guild continues to be involved in is the film camp at Jack's Place for Autism.

In collaboration with the School of Education and Human Services, Jack's Place offers services for families affected by autism.

The film camp, which took place this summer, was run by John Travolta's brother, Joey Travolta.

The Film Maker's Guild is working to continue the program on the weekends.

The Film Maker's Guild is also sponsoring GrizzDance, OU's student

film festival which is returning for its second year.

Atwood was one of the festival's founding members and is now the Vice President.

Film Maker's Guild will hold an exposé tonight from 9-11 p.m. in the Oakland Room (125) in the Oakland Center. The exposé will feature all of the Guild's work, including "The Bust," "The Last Beer," "The Rapid Path to Success," and a trailer for Radtke's 3-year sci-fi project titled "Neo Terra."

The Film Maker's Guild is looking for actors, writers, editors, and especially, "techies" from all academic backgrounds and to join. Experience with filmmaking is not required. For more information contact Tim Atwood at mathinrealtime@yahoo.com or visit the OU Film Maker's Guild group on Facebook.

CLUB SPORT SPOTLIGHT

Judo: 'gentle way?'

By PAUL GULLY
Senior Reporter

Taken literally, the word judo translates to "the gentle way" but after spending a practice with Oakland University's judo club, where I found myself in an arm bar, rear-naked choke and repeatedly falling to the mat, I came to the conclusion that it was anything but.

Judo has its origins in jujitsu, an ancient Japanese martial art. Dr. Jigoro Kanu, a jujitsu expert, founded modern judo in 1882, after he became unsatisfied with the direction in which jujitsu was heading.

Kanu modified many of jujitsu's holds and added a new set of rules, values and standards when developing judo. He emphasized not only the physical aspect of martial art, but focused on discipline, and also a mental aspect.

"What makes judo unique from other martial arts, is that it allows no punching, kicking or striking of any kind, at most levels—so no, there is no such thing as a 'judo chop,'" said Steve DeRaedt, Oakland University's judo instructor, or sensei.

"Judo uses an opponent's force and strength force against them," the 4th degree black belt said. "You defeat your opponent by using throws, sweeps, chokes and submissions."

Judo utilizes a balance of both standing techniques (the throws, tosses and sweeps) and groundwork (consisting of pins and submissions) in combat.

After a quick introduction into judo by DeRaedt, we loosened up with a few warm-up stretches; then it was time to get down to business.

But before I did anything, I had to first learn one of the basic fundamentals of judo-falling. Learning to safely fall and roll without hurting yourself, or breakfalling as it is termed; is a big part of judo.

"Because there are numerous throws or sweeps that you may find yourself caught in during the course of a match, learning to safely fall is a fundamental building block in judo," said DeRaedt.

Although it may sound easy, falling properly was

actually quite a challenge. I definitely had my bell rung a few times in the process, but it was nothing too serious. After DeRaedt was satisfied with my breakfalling, we moved to the core of "the gentle way"—judo throws.

"Seeing as there's no striking in judo, the throws and sweeps are very important. An experienced judo practitioner, or judoka, can take down much bigger opponents by using their force against them," said DeRaedt.

Being that I had relatively no experience, the 36-year judo veteran started me off by teaching me three basic throws.

I first learned to do an ippon seionage, which is a one arm shoulder throw. After DeRaedt felt comfortable enough that I could properly perform the throw, he allowed me to perform it on him, which consisted of me flipping him over my shoulder.

I was also taught an osoto gari, a leg sweep, and an ogoshi, a hip throw.

After learning the take-downs, we then progressed to ground work, where I felt what it was like to be in the rear-naked choke and arm bar-and trust me, it wasn't fun.

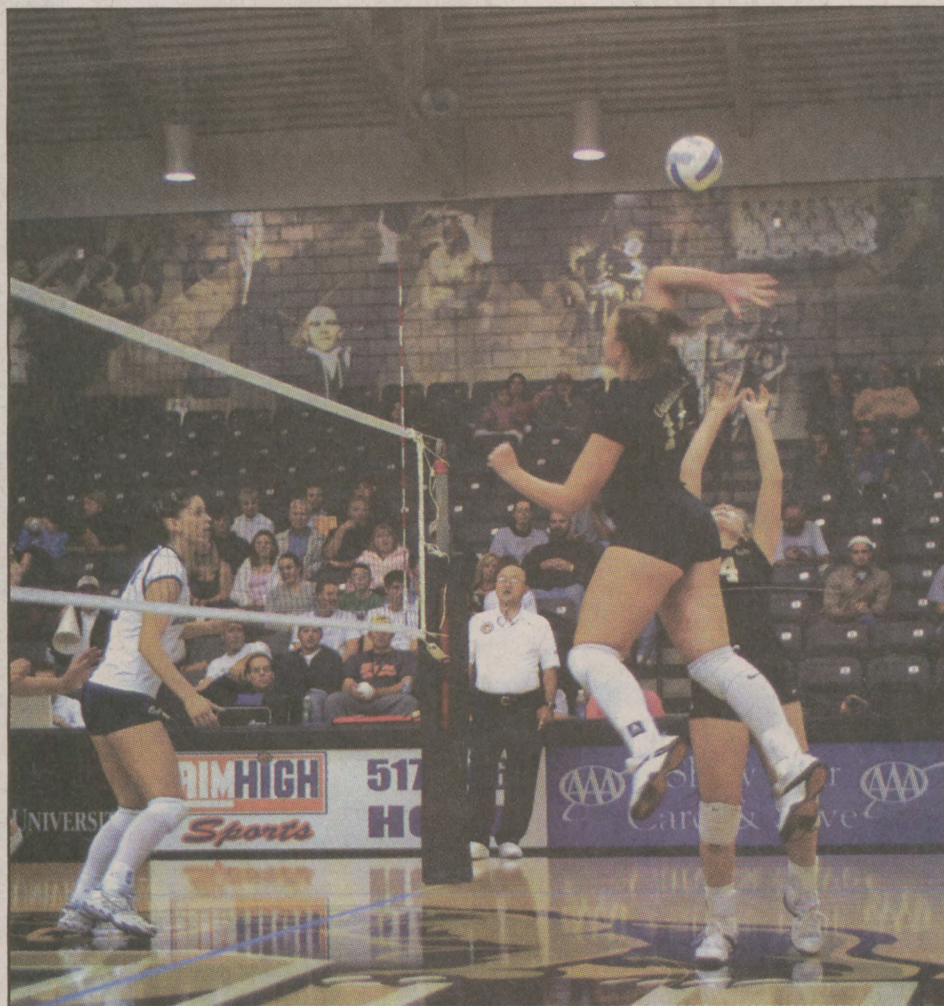
But according to DeRaedt, getting caught in submissions during practice may actually be a good thing.

"The key to becoming a good judoka is to allow yourself to be on the brink of defeat during practice—whether it be seconds away from being choked out, or getting caught in an arm bar—so you know how to react if you ever are caught in that situation during a match," he said.

The OU Judo Club was started in 2000, by two former students, faculty advisor, Professor Jack Nackman and DeRaedt. The current club president is Mike DuChene.

The judo club meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Rec Center's Activity Center, located on the bottom floor. The club is open to all OU students and is free of charge. No experience is needed, but wear long pants and a long-sleeved shirt. For more information, contact either DuChene at (248) 435-7104 or e-mail DeRaedt at stevendmich@aol.com.

Golden Grizzlies make some high-flying plays, but still fall to Golden Eagles



DAN WILKINSON/The Oakland Post
OU showed some aggressive play against Oral Roberts, but could not pull out with a victory in the end. Read the Weekly Roundup for more details about the match.

MEN'S SOCCER

Grizzlies come up short

By BRITTANY OCHTINSKY
Contributing Reporter

Oakland dropped a close game to host Valparaiso on Saturday, with the Crusaders edging out the Grizzlies with a score of 1-0.

Both teams played a very defensive game, but in the end, it was the Crusaders who came out on top. In his first game back following an injury, sophomore goalkeeper Steve Clark made six saves for OU. Valparaiso goalie Ryan Schwartz earned his fourth shutout of the season, stopping all three shots.

The Crusaders kept Clark on his toes early in the first half, as he went on to stop four shots in a 10-minute stretch. Sophomore Wade Allen had a scoring opportunity for OU in the first half, firing a shot at Schwartz 30 minutes into the game, which sailed just over the net.

Following a save by Clark on a shot from the Crusaders' Clifton Brown late in the first half, the game was scoreless heading into halftime.

Oakland got off to a quick start in the second half as Allen sent a shot toward the Crusaders' net, but was stopped by a defender.

The lone goal came at the 53 minute mark when a shot by Valparaiso's Steve Shirley made it past Clark.

Oakland never gave up, outshooting Valpo 9-4 in the second half, but was unable to find the back of the net. Schwartz stopped a pair of difficult shots from Allen two minutes after Valparaiso took the lead. Senior Brady Vance took another shot for Oakland that was blocked before it reached Schwartz.

In the final 20 minutes, shots by junior Adam Brent, freshman Sebastian Harris and sophomore Piotr Nowak missed the net. Nowak had an opportunity to tie the game, but his shot sailed over the crossbar.

With six minutes left in regulation, the Crusaders knocked one of Allen's shots out of bounds, resulting in a corner kick for the Grizzlies. Harris gained control of Allen's corner kick and fired it in the net, but Schwartz came up with a save to maintain the lead and preserve the shutout.

Allen led all players with five shots, including the two on net that Schwartz stopped early in the second half. Valparaiso had a slight advantage in shots, 12-10, and

each team had three corner kicks apiece.

Following the loss to Mid-Con opponent Valparaiso, Oakland drops to 3-8 overall (1-2 in the Mid-Con) and Valpo improves to 6-4 (2-1 in the Mid-Con).

This afternoon, Oakland hosts Michigan State University at 4 p.m., then heads to Indianapolis on Saturday to take on IUPUI.

Tale of the Tape

MSU is 6-3 overall this season

IUPUI is 1-1 in the Mid-Con, 5-6 overall.

Upcoming Homestand

Oct. 11 vs. Cincinnati

Oct. 14 vs. UMKC

Oct. 18 vs. Ohio State

WEEKLY ROUNDUP

Oakland men's soccer 1-1 on road trip

On September 27, OU men's soccer scored a thrilling victory over Western Michigan, 2-1. Freshman Stefan St. Louis broke a 1-1 tie in the final minute of play scoring on a corner kick by junior Adam Kliebert. Senior forward Jim Denk scored the other goal in the 18th minute, his second of the season. Senior goalkeeper Josh Slaughter made three saves to earn the victory. On Saturday, OU dropped its Mid-Con tilt against Valparaiso, 1-0. Sophomore Wade Allen led the team with five shots. Sophomore goalkeeper Steve Clark made six saves in the losing effort. Oakland is 3-8 overall this season and plays a home game against Michigan State today at 4 p.m.

Cross country runs at Notre Dame

OU men's cross country team finished 14th out of 25 schools last week at the Notre Dame Invitational. Freshman Zach Jones was the leading Golden Grizzly finishing 38th out of 205 runners with a time of 25:48 in the five-mile contest. Likewise, the women's team placed 12th out of 24 teams, with Laura Fisher placing 43rd with a time of 18:58. Cross country hits the ground running next on Friday when they travel to Ferris State for the Michigan Intercollegiate meet.

Volleyball falls to Oral Roberts in Mid-Con match

The Golden Grizzlies had a tall order on their hands when they hosted the number one ranked Golden Eagles on Sunday. OU fell to Oral Roberts in a three-game sweep, with scores of 30-15, 30-12, and 30-19. Sophomore Leah Dupuis led OU with nine kills, marking the second straight match she has led the team in kills. Amanda Morley and Monica Frechen also contributed five kills apiece and Oral Roberts' Ori Zuzic lead both teams with 17 kills.

OU men's golf takes tourney, women take third

OU men's golf won the Butler Invitational last week with a total team score of 876 strokes. Freshman Frank McAuliffe took individual honors by shooting a 73 in the final round. With the victory, McAuliffe earned Mid-Con Golfer of the Week. The OU women's team finished 3rd in the three-round tournament with 955 total strokes. Leading the way was senior Stacy Goins, who fished 5th individually and shot a 78 in the final round.

—Compiled by Rob Tate
Contributing Reporter

SOUND BITES . . .

"Baseball is a lot like life. It's a day-to-day existence, full of ups and downs. You make the most of your opportunities in baseball as you do in life."

— Ernie Harwell, legendary Tigers play-by-play announcer



BOB KNOSKA/The Oakland Post
The Golden Grizzlies take charge against the Oral Roberts defense in Sunday's Mid-Con matchup.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

OU falls to ORU

By ROB TATE
Contributing Reporter

Oakland University women's soccer saw the game blow away with the wind as Mid-Con rival Valparaiso narrowly escaped OU with a 2-1 victory over the Golden Grizzlies on a breezy Sunday afternoon.

OU dropped to 3-9 this season as they lost their first Mid-Con game of the year to a Valparaiso team on a hot streak. The Crusaders came into the game riding on a seven game winning streak that was extended to eight as they raised their record to 3-0, which leads the Mid-Con. Coming into the game Valparaiso had outscored their opponents 25-8.

After playing 87 minutes of solid soccer, OU faltered. The striking blow from Valparaiso came less than three minutes left in regulation as Jessica White beat OU sophomore goalkeeper Kim Herbst on a crossing pass from Reva Van Aartsen.

OU head coach Nick O'Shea's ladies played an effective offensive game, attacking Valparaiso goalkeeper Erin Murray.

The Golden Grizzlies fired a total of 10 shots at Murray. In the 17th minute, junior Kristi Tomzyck was blocked by Murray on a point blank range shot.

One minute later, Tomzyck launched a pass to a crowd of Golden Grizzlies in front of the net that missed the goal by a few feet.

Valparaiso, however, struck first on a weather induced chip shot from 20 feet outside the goal by Crusader

Dana McGlone. The wind lifted the ball as it sailed out of reach of Herbst and landed into the top left corner of the net.

The goal didn't shake up the Oakland defense, as they turned it up a notch after the goal. Senior Cat Panabaker and sophomore Kristi Smith led the defense that played aggressive, limiting Valparaiso to a below average 14 shots, seven of which were on goal.

OU finally cashed in at the 60th minute as Kristi Tomzyck accepted a pass from senior Marianne Samdal, weaved around the goalkeeper, and shot it into the empty net for her 4th goal of season. Tomzyck's goal ties her for the team lead with sophomore Kristi Evans.

The Golden Grizzlies also had some great offensive attacks from reserve forwards freshman Susie Lee and junior Courtney McCracken, who provided a great spark and set up some of OU's better offensive opportunities on the game.

With 19 minutes left in the game, OU nearly took the lead on a pass from Lee to McCracken that was stopped by Murray. Tomzyck also led the offensive attack with four shots.

Although the Valparaiso game was a hard loss, OU will start an easier stretch of games, as OU will end the regular season with five straight Mid-Con matches; three of the teams currently have losing overall records.

OU's next home game is Friday against Centenary at 4 p.m.