COMMUTER CONTACT

Commuter Services, Oakland University Fall 1974



POOL IT

Being in a ride pool has many advantages: having companionship during the drive to Oakland, saving money on gas, never having to hunt for a parking spot because there is a Ride Pool Lot, and, this year, getting 10 free cups of coffee when you join. Last fall 260 students formed 94 pools, saving 166 parking spaces and much fuel. The nursing students from Providence were the best consumers—during Winter, 43% of the students were in Ride Pool.

How do you get in a pool? If you don't know other car poolers:

- 1. Come to 118 O.C. to fill out an information sheet.
- 2. Pick up your printout of poolers near you from Commuter Services
- Plan to attend the Ride Pool Organizational meeting Wednesday, September 4, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. to meet other poolers and finalize pools.
- 4. When you have your pool together:
 come to 118 O.C. to register your
 pool and get your decals. A ride
 pool costs \$13.00 per semester.
 Cost is shared among pool members.

Since the Ride Pool Program has been computerized by Roger Smith, an OU commuter, each pool member will be given a list of commuters living near them. Those printouts will be available in the office on the dates posted there. To meet the first printout, fill out the information sheet by August 27, 1974. When you find other car pool members, come to 118 Oakland Center to register the pool. At that time, each person registering will receive a coupon for 10 free cups of coffee at the Grille. Save gas, save parking, and gain free coffee.

IT TAKES MORE THAN US

If you suddenly receive a letter in the mail in September inviting you to lunch with the Commuter Services staff, don't become paranoid. If you are an apartment dweller, a sophomore transfer living at home, a Black student who commutes, or a freshman living at home, you just might receive such a letter. Why? The Commuter Assistants working with each sub-group want a chance to talk with persons to find what their expectations of Oakland are. What do you want out of campus life?

Last year, Ralph Nader and Dick Gregory were brought to Oakland because the freshman sub-group surveyed students to find who they wanted to hear at Oakland. A Football Club was started by freshmen willing to work for varsity football. A proposal for a Women's Center has been formed by women students returning to school after some interruption.

The third most effective means of finding out events on campus, according to a communication survey done by June graduate Don Johnson, is friends One and two? Posters and banners. To find out what's happening, use eyes and ears.

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COMMUTERS AT YOUR SERVICE



COMMUTER SERVICES STAFF

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what we do for you

- 1. Free Legal Aid--The attorney will be able to advise you and refer you to someone to represent you should you decide to go to court. For an appointment, come into 118 Oakland Center.
- 2. <u>Jumper Cables</u>--borrow them at 118 Oakland Center, while you leave your ID with us.
- 3. Off-Campus Housing-juniors, seniors, married students. We list off-campus housing in 118 Oakland Center. Stop in to find apartments and houses in the surrounding area.
- 4. Lockers--tired of carrying books, cameras, lunches, drafting supplies? Rent a locker at 118 Oakland Center. Lockers are available in Varner, Oakland Center, Hannah Hall, and South Foundation Hall. Rent now--they go fast.

non-extraneous essentials

At Graham Health Center, nurses are on duty Monday through Friday, 8-5. The doctor's hours are: Dr. Joan Wake-Monday - Friday, 1:00-3:30. Dr. Wigent, MWF, 9-11:30, 1-3:30, and TTh, 10-11:30, 1-3:30. There is a charge of \$3.00 to see a doctor.

Free tutoring help can be obtained at the Skill Development Center in Vandenberg Hall, 377-3205.

The University Child Care Center charges 75¢/hour for children of students and 85¢/hour for children of staff and faculty. Its hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday.

An N-grade will be assigned if a student doesn't complete a class for any reason and doesn't drop it within the official refund policy.

<u>Commuter Council</u> is an organization that represents the commuter. Use it to voice your suggestions.

Check out sports equipment (swim too)
with a validated ID at the IM Building.

To find out what <u>campus activities</u> are coming up, check the student lounges and bulletin boards in the O.C. and in the classroom buildings. Also check the monthly programming calendar which can be obtained at Commuter Services, Registrar's office, Student Organizations, Evening Program, or Charlie Brown's Desk.

There is a <u>freight elevator</u> in the Oakland Center that <u>paraplegics</u> can use. Ask about it at Commuter Services.

Having trouble organizing your life into goals? Join a Human Potential Seminar. Enroll at 101 North Foundation.

The Pickwick Games Room is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. through 11:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 2:00 -11:00 p.m.

A check can be cashed at the Cashier's Office in North Foundation.

A <u>student ID</u> <u>for Europe</u> can be obtained at the Ticket Office, 48 O.C.

If a vending machine eats your money, a refund can be obtained at Saga Food Service, 18 Oakland Center.

Students can get Meadowbrook Theatre tickets at half-price for performances Tuesday through Thursday nights at the Meadowbrook Theatre Box Office.

Anyone can try out for the plays (SET) in the Barn Theatre.

To <u>start a club</u>, go to Student Organizations, 48 Oakland Center.

There are <u>music practice rooms</u> in Varner Hall on the first floor.

The Student Ticket Office (48 O.C.) sells most of the tickets that are sold at Hudson's and Grinnell's.

Tours of Meadowbrook Hall are half-price for students.

All gates at the University's entrances are closed at 7:00 p.m. except the gate by Public Safety.

Short term loans are available to students through the Financial Aids Office, 205 Wilson Hall.

WOMEN MOVING AHEAD

In the 1974 Winter Semester, the Office of Commuter Services organized a series of bi-weekly lunch and rap sessions with a small group of returning women students. At these meetings, the women realized that they share many problems unique to returning women and some of these problems could be easier simply by having the opportunity to discuss them with other women having a sympathetic ear. The moral support given each other at these rap sessions proved to be a tremendous help as the women adjusted to University life after years of working and/or raising a family.

In February, concerned over the apparent lack of financial aid available to returning women, the group met with Gladys Rapoport of the Financial Aids Office. In the ensuing discussion, Ms. Rapoport suggested that the group formally organize, in order to provide a base of support for the women's requests. In March, Women's Potential became an official university organization, electing Ann

Arner as president, with Rosalind Andreas, Director of the Commuter Services Office, as staff advisor.

During the short time that it has been a viable organization, Women's Potential has worked with Audrea Blanding of Transfer Advising staff, and Judy Keegan, Dean of Freshmen, during Spring, Summer and Fall orientations. The organization has also provided a contact point for returning women, staffed a baby-sitting service for those with small children, and most importantly, let the returning woman realize that she is not the only student on campus that is over 21.

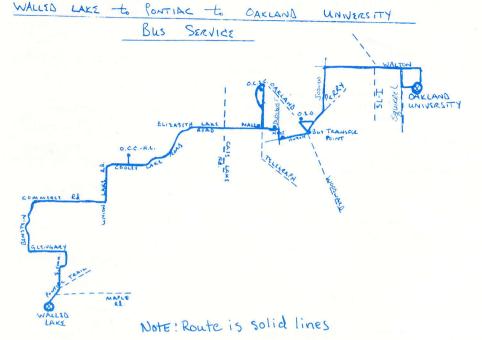
Other projects that the organization is working on in cooperation with faculty and staff include a scholarship proposal for returning women and plans for a Women's Center which it is hoped will open this fall.

Women's Potential is continuing the bi-weekly lunch and rap sessions and has a current membership of approximately 40 students. It is an active, and growing organization and invites all interested students, men or women, to attend meetings. Stop by our office at 62 Oakland Center, or call Ann Arner, 642-4122.

PARTY IN THE LIBRARY??

One of the events marking Oakland's 15th birthday celebration is Library III. The normally quiet, studious atmosphere of Kresge Library will be changed into an atmosphere filled with laughter, dance, sound, and gaiety. September 28, 9:00 p.m. its bash, pushing back book shelves, and replacing them with live music, dancing and refreshments. A different band will play on each floor. All kinds of music will be featured. The bands include a hard rock, soft rock and jazz group. Other entertainment includes ragtime piano music and a banjo and a tuba duo. Admission fare, refreshments, and entertainment are free. The only thing needed is a validated O.U. ID Holders may bring one guest, so mark September 28 on your calendar and don't miss what's promising to be the party of the year.

Legal Aid was reintroduced to Oakland last winter. Of the students responding in a questionnaire evaluating the service, 100% recommended the continuiation of the service and answered they would use the service again.



Bus Arrives

After much planning and hard work by Oakland University staff and students, and SEMTA planners, the Walled Lake to O.U. bus service has become a reality. The bus line will start at Walled Lake and run through Pontiac to O.U. The cost of the service will be 45¢ for the first six miles, and 5¢ extra for each 2-mile increment. It costs 45¢ from Pontiac one-way, and \$1.05 one-way for the complete bus ride from Walled Lake to 0.U. Students using the Woodward bus line from Detroit are able to transfer onto an O.U. bus at the Pontiac transfer point (SEMTA honors the suburban transfer policy)

The major stops along the route are: Oakland Community College (7350

At Last

Cooley Lake Road), Pontiac Mall(Telegraph and Elizabeth Lake Road), Oakland County Service Center (1200 N. Telegraph), Clinton Valley Center, (140 Elizabeth Lake Road), Pontiac General Hospital (Huron and Johnson), bus transfer route (to Pontiac system and SEMTA Woodward), Oakland County Commission on Economic Opportunity (196 Oakland), Pontiac Motors (Joslyn and Montcalm), and all patrons can also flag down the bus for an on-route pick-up.

Times of arrival and departure from O.U. are: The bus will arrive on campus at 7:38 a.m., 1:39 p.m., 5:02 p.m., and 8:04 p.m., and it will leave at 7:43 a.m., 1:44 p.m., 5:07 p.m., and 8:09 p.m.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Ride Pool Organizational Meeting September 4

Library III September 28

Open House September 29

Blood Drive October 30

Legal Seminars
Community Dialogs Dates to be
Sub-group meetings announced.

September 6-8, 13-15
"House of Blue Leaves"

October 5
New Group (dance company)

November 8-10, 15-17 "HAIR"

Academy of Dramatic Arts

October 17-20, 24-27 J.B. by Archibald MacLeich

December 5-8, 12-15
Bartholomew's Fair by Ben
Jonson

Desiring an alternative expression in campus life, students have joined to develop a Village of cultural educational and social activities housed in the barn structures south of Hanmah Hall. Remodeling of the Barn Theatre has marked the beginning of the Village Project. Immediate proposals for the Village are installation of a pub in the basement of the Barn Theatre and conversion of the Granary into a cinema barn and concert hall with space provided for student organization offices. range possibilities include: facilities for photographic, print-making, and wood workshops, an open air market, a student farm, stone gardens, and a village square.

President O'Dowd has encouraged realization of the Project by promising to match the first \$10,000 raised by Students for the Village. Through the promotion of fund-raising activities, the Village Committee has been successful in achieving \$6,000 of the initial goal. Anxious to be-gin the construction phase as soon as possible, the Committee has been organizing social activities and publicizing campaigns that should insure completion of the \$10,000 sum this semester. Without numerous student volunteers to solicit support from the University community, how-ever, tangible development of the Village will be delayed unnecessarily. If everyone were to make either a time or financial contribution to the Village Project, further construction of the Village could occur this semester.

Students for the Village will be publicizing a committee meeting during the first week of September. Please become familiar with the Village by attending this meeting and touring the Village area. As commuting students, you are invited to become involved in the planning, development and operation of your Village. For further information, please call 377-2245.

Did you know that there are 12 ways to do volunteer work and get credit? See_ Volunteer Brochure in Office of Commuter Services, 118 Oakland Center.

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GOT THE MUNCHIES??

Positively no one comes to Oakland to eat. But all that brain strain often gives one the munchies; whether it's a pop, a snack or a whole meal you need, Saga Food Service has the answer to all that strain. We care about commuters. Just to show how much, we've made some changes.

For instance, in order to make what you might call a fresh start, we've changed the names of some of the more popular "hot spots". The a la carte line formally known as the South Cafeteria has become the Crockery. The Grille is now the Iron Kettle. These changes were made to remind us of our commitment to, as well as our appreciation of all our patrons, patronesses, especially commuting students. So, if you don't have anything to do and just a little time to do it in, come see us sometime.

We have also upgraded our vending program. Machines have been added in 219 Varner and around campus. If you have difficulty with machines, please come to Room 18 Oakland Center, report the sick machine, and pick up your refund. You won't lose any money and we can fix the machine.

Be on the lookout for other specifics that you might like. Share your menu request with us. We've got specials in the works for discounts, freebees, brown-baggers, ride poolers, etc., etc. Keep your eyes open because good things to eat ar going to happen at 0.U.

--Saga Management

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Dinner ticket is good for 10 dinners for the price of only 9. A
\$20.00 value for only \$18.00.

COMPARE WEEKLY COSTS OF COMMUTING TO OAKLAND

DRIVING ALONE							DRIVING IN RIDE POOL*				
	Gas	Maint.	Park	Ins.	Total	Gas	Maint.	Park	Ins.	Total	
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5 miles	\$.52	\$1.12	\$.80	\$.30	\$ 2.74	\$.13	\$.28	\$.20	\$.30	\$.91	
10 miles	\$1.04	\$2.24	\$.80	\$.60	\$ 4.68	\$.26	\$.56	\$.20	\$.60	\$1.62	
15 miles	\$1.56	\$3.36	\$.80	\$.90	\$ 6.62	\$.39	\$.84	\$.20	\$.90	\$2.33	
20 miles	\$2.08	\$4.48	\$.80	\$1.20	\$ 8.56	\$.52	\$1.12	\$.20	\$1.20	\$3.04	
25 miles	\$2.60	\$5.60	\$.80	\$1.50	\$10.50	\$.65	\$1.40	\$.20	\$1.50	\$3.75	
30 miles	\$3.12	\$6.72	\$.80	\$1.80	\$12.44	\$.78	\$1.68	\$.20	\$1.80	\$4.46	

*4-member pool

Figures based on Federal Highway Administration April, 1974, figures for a compacy size vehicle (1974 2-door sedan, 6-cylinder, automatic transmission

Please fill out and drop it at Commuter Services, 118 O.C.

118 Oakland Center Oakland University Rochester, Michigan 48063

1. Is this the first issue of Commuter Contact you have read?

Yes No

Please comment:

2. Is the Commuter Contact interesting and helpful?

Yes No____

Please comment:

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Fa11, 1974

All films are subject to change.

September

10 North by Northwest

13-15 Twelve Chairs

17 East of Eden 20-22 The Boys in the Band

The Gold Rush and The Red

Balloon

27-29 Where's Poppa?

October

Tom Jones

4-6 Romeo and Juliet

The Rocking Horse Winner

11-13 Billy Jack

15 Wild Strawberries

18-20 Sleuth

22 The Magician

25-27 Rabbit Run

29 Cries and Whispers

31 The Devil's Eye

November

December

1-3 The Getaway

7-10 Dr. Calagari and <u>Un Chien</u> Andalou

12 Blow-up

15-17 Tall Blonde Man with One

Black Shoe

The Bobo
22-24 Slaughterhouse 5

26 Last Year at Marienbad

d Last Ital at

6-8 Midnight Cowboy

10 Last Picture Show

13-15 Laurel & Hardy Pkg. #12

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