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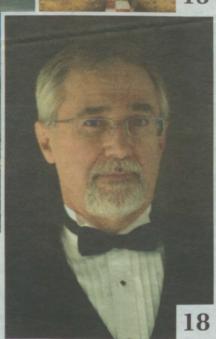
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Planning for OU's second commencement ceremony was underway. There were 200 graduates expected in addition to an estimated 2,000 guests at the event, which was held in the Intramural Building.

MARCH 28, 1969

More than 400 students took over the Oakland Center and North and South Foundation Halls for eight hours, refusing to allow anyone but students into the buildings and locking administrative offices. They demanded that OU become "a real university, one which operates for the benefit of those who have come to be educated." Administrators decided not to take police action, viewing the siege as an expression of the students' fundamental rights to dissent.

BY THE SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS

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the age span of 30 percent of women who are raped

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number of forcible rape reports made in Michigan in 2011

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Perspectives

STAFF EDITORIAL

Sexual assault: Now's the time to talk about it

pril is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Every year, the National Sexual Violence Resource Center chooses a specific topic to focus on.

This year they are centering in on child abuse - specifically, early education and prevention.

The group's slogan is "it's time... to talk about it."

We wholeheartedly agree. We need to create a world where young children are aware of the dangers that may cross them. We do not advocate instilling fear in young minds, but sexual assault is serious and should be treated as such.

Every year, there are 207,754 victims of sexual assault, according to the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network. Of those victims, 44 percent are under the age of 18, and 80 percent are under the age

It gets worse, as 54 percent of sexual assaults are not reported. Because of this and other factors, 97 percent of perpetrators in the United States never see the jail cell.

For us, the most alarming statistic is that two-thirds of

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sexual assaults are committed by someone the victim knows.

We need to teach our children to speak out and get help for themselves and others who may be victims. We also need to teach them not to become perpetrators themselves.

We tell our kids not to get in cars with strangers, but what will it take for us to sit down in a classroom and educate about rape and other forms of sexual abuse at a younger age? Why don't we teach our children what to do when someone they trust poses harm - or even how to recognize actions that are harmful?

Teaching these kids about sexual abuse and the implications it poses for all parties can and will limit the frequency of such tragedies.

None of this can happen until children learn how to get

Fortunately, Oakland Uni-

versity is creating an environment that informs its students about the implications of sexual assault.

Thursday's "Take Back the Night," — a session on ending violence against women - is just one facet of Oakland's point to end sexual assault. The event, which will be held in at 7 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms, will allow sexually and physically abused victims to share their stories with others and realize they are not alone.

The OU Police Department also serves as a resource on campus, frequently holding Rape Aggression Defense personal training lessons throughout the year to teach women how to fight back.

The NSVRC is right. It's time to talk about it, starting now.

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The end of an era: OUSC VP says goodbye

t's been a year since I ran for Student Body Vice President.

One whole year. Wow, time really does fly. I guess it's true what they say, you know, time doesn't stop for any one. And it hasn't.

It's been one heck of a year, I'd say.

Ever since the day that Samantha Wolf and I were named the winners of the Oakland University Student Congress elections, I've done nothing but learn, grow and be humbled with the experience of being

THIS ISN'T GOODBYE, BUT THIS IS THE END OF AN AMAZING are, where CHAPTER, ONE THAT SO MANY **AMAZING** PEOPLE HAVE HELPED US WRITE, THANKS AGAIN FOR A GREAT YEAR. I LOVE YOU ALL.

the voice for the students, no matter who they they're from, or what their background entails.

Even as I write this, memories come back to me from the first meeting

of our newly appointed executive board - I knew this year was going to be spectacular. I knew there were things that were going



ROBBIE WILLIFORD columnist

to happen that were going to amaze me. I didn't think it'd be this great, but it was.

It would be an understatement to say that we've had our fair share of ups and downs as an organization and as a team.

From poorly attended events, to events we couldn't fit any more bodies into; from initiatives that are raw and rough around the edges to initiatives that are in full force as you read this; from bad meetings to those meetings we left knowing our impact was made and that the students' voice was definitely heard, it's certainly been a rollercoaster of a year.

But I wouldn't have it any other way. I wouldn't trade this last year for anything else. It's been an absolute honor to serve you all.

I don't think I, or anyone else on my team, could have done it without all of the people who cared enough to stand up and let their voice be heard

Sure, it'll be weird not being the VP anymore. But don't worry; I'll still be around. You'll still see my face around campus.

You can still come up to me in the Pioneer Food Court and ask me questions.

You can still come to me while I'm in the gym and

tell me what's on your mind.

I'm forever listening to those who want to make a difference.

I will still hug you if you ask me for it. Because true leaders lead with authenticity, with passion, with a big heart, no matter what and that's what I plan to do.

It's time for something

It's time for a new team to lead you all.

It's time for a new set of leaders to guide you with their vision, their open ears, and their idea for change that can last.

I hope you all will join me in supporting next year's Student Body President and Vice President, Brandon Hanna and Jibran Ahmed.

With some help from you and your voice, I know we can make the next year a great one. But we can only do it together.

This isn't goodbye, but this is the end of an amazing chapter, one that so many amazing people have helped us write.

Thanks again for a great year. I love you all.

Stay golden, Oakland University.

Robbie Williford is the Oakland University Student Congress Vice President.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Oakland student volunteers play crucial role in success of Region 6 Science Olympiad

Chair of the Department of Chemistry

Saturday, March 16, Oakland University hosted the Oakland County Science Olympiad for the third year in a row. A total of 1,036 students comprising 70 different teams from grades eight through 12 gathered on campus for a day of science and engineering competition in 46 different events

The Office of Pre-College Programs and the Department of Chemistry served as liaisons between Oakland University and the Science Olympiad. However, the success of the event would not have been possible without the dedicated assistance of a group of 30 Oakland University students who volunteered their time.

Activities began at 7 a.m. with the impound of devices for later competitions, and concluded about 8 p.m. with an awards ceremony. Throughout the day the student volunteers assisted with duties, including the running of events, preparation of materials for events, managing logistical details, conducting demonstrations and directing hundreds of visitors around the campus so they could arrive at their designated competition on time.

The organizers of the Olympiad, both internal and external, have nothing but praise for the efforts of the OU student volunteers. Truly, it was an impressive display of community service by a fine group of individuals.

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Vice President Jibran Ahmed (LEFT) and President Brandon Hanna won the Oakland University Student Congress elections with a total of 1,083 votes.

By Kevin Graham and Brian Johnston Senior Reporter and Chief Copy Editor

Tith a total of 1,083 votes, Brandon Hanna and Jibran Ahmed won the Oakland University Student Congress election over candidates Amera Fattah and Maria Arellano.

"Honestly, I'm in a state of shock," Hanna said. "Also I'm like really, really happy."

Opponents Fattah and Arellano received 791 votes, according to elections commissioner Emily Collins. But after a grievance hearing held March 21, the Fattah/Arellano ticket lost 40 percent of their votes, giving them a final vote of 475. The Hanna/Ahmed platform received 1,128 votes, but the ticket lost four percent of votes for grievances, giving them a final vote of 1,083.

According to Allison Webster, OUSC adviser, Hanna and Ahmed won the election before the March 21 grievance hearing.

"Candidates who had more of the popular vote are able to appeal, so we'll be discussing further steps with Emily," Fattah said. "We'll see" about the appeals process."

According to OUSC bylaws Appendix IV Subsection V Line A, "If a candidate or ticket wishes to appeal a conviction of guilt on any individual charge, they may do so by filing a formal written appeal to

the University Student Congress Legislature."

Hanna is unsure how the process will play out, or whether any appeals will be filed now that the election results are in.

"The committee voted to approve it at the end of the process yesterday, so I would say it's over and done," Webster said.

What's next for Hanna and Ahmed

Hanna and Ahmed, who will be sworn in April 8, are currently accepting applications for their executive board. Nine positions are available ranging from administrative assistant to student services director. Applications are due by this Friday at 5 p.m. with interviews taking place next week.

After that, they will begin to work on the summer budget with the legislature and the passage of their initiatives.

"On that budget, we'll have student initiatives that we had on our platform that we'll be trying to push for like free Scantrons," Hanna said.

He said his goal throughout the year will be to follow through on campaign initiatives.

Hanna sees the parking issue as something that will loom large in the coming months.

"We're going to be losing over 750 park-

ing spots due to all the construction on campus," he said.

Looking into the future

Outgoing OUSC President Samantha Wolf said she plans to finish the semester working on the Provost Search Committee. She also wishes to convince the board to expand the Oakland Center.

"I will be a senior next year, so I'll still be around," Wolf said. "I'm hoping to go to the next level and help more with the administration side and be the student voice to the administration. The president gets to do that, but I would like to do it in a different way."

Vice President Robbie Williford was elected as a legislator for the 2013-14 year.

"I still have a year left, so why not? I'm very excited to be a legislator and help also lead the students," Williford said.

According to the OUSC bylaws, "The Congress' Steering Committee shall place any appeals prior to the Congressional Address by the Validations Committee representative." This refers to the State of the Student Body Address, held once a year by OUSC, in which the outgoing and incoming Presidents speak.

This year's election had 700 more votes than last year's, Collins said. Hanna and Fattah received a combined total of 1,919 votes.

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Backing out of the race

Final candidates in provost search withdraw from consideration

By Natalie Popovski Campus Editor

As Oakland University continues searching for the next permanent senior vice president for academic affairs and provost, the two final candidates for the position have removed themselves from consideration.

The announcement was made March 20 in an email sent to faculty and staff from political science professor and provost search committee chair, Dave Dulio.

"As you may have heard, the final two candidates for the position of senior vice president for academic affairs and provost at Oakland University have removed their names from consideration," Dulio wrote. "The committee is disappointed that each candidate has made the decision to do so, as we believe either would have made a fine chief academic officer."

The search was narrowed down to Keith Moo-Young, professor and dean of the College of Engineering, Computer Science and Technology at California State University, Los Angeles, and Prema Arasu, vice provost of international programs and professor of parasitology at Washington State University.

According to both Dulio and Oakland University Student Congress President Samantha Wolf, Moo-Young withdrew his name from consideration after accepting a position at a different university.

He was named chancellor of Washington State University Tri-Cities March 12, according to the university's website.

Arasu said it ultimately comes down to finding a provost who is the right fit for the university, and she withdrew because it was not the right fit for her.

Search details

The search to find someone to permanently fill the position began in August 2012 after former provost, Virinder Moudgil, accepted an offer to become president of Lawrence Technological University.

After his departure, former senior associate provost Susan Awbrey was named interim senior vice president for academic affairs and provost May 4.

The search committee received 68 applications for the position from across the nation, according to Dulio.

After members of the search committee reviewed each application and narrowed down a list of semifinalists, they then narrowed further down to four candidates.

These candidates were invited to campus. Based on the campus visits and feedback, the committee formed a recommendation for University President Gary Russi and advanced two names, according to Dulio.

"President Russi took our recommendations and invited both of the individuals back to campus for a second round of conversations with key groups on campus and conducted his own background research through a number of high-level reference checks," Dulio wrote in his email to faculty and staff. "An offer was made to one candidate who, after more than a week of discussions and negotiations, decided to withdraw. The second candidate withdrew before an offer could be extended."

The next steps

After both candidates withdrew, the search committee met with Russi March 19 and decided to extend the search.

"We (the search committee) will continue to review candidate materials. We will revisit select candidates in the existing pool, and our search firm — Academic Search — will contact these candidates to let them know we are interested in exploring their candidacy further. We will also entertain new applications — external and internal," Dulio wrote.

The committee will decide who advances and neutral site and campus interviews will be scheduled, according to Dulio.

Nominations are still open for candidates. Those interested can submit materials to Academic Search through oaklandprovost@academic-search.com

According to the original search timeline, whomever was selected to serve would have assumed the position July 1.

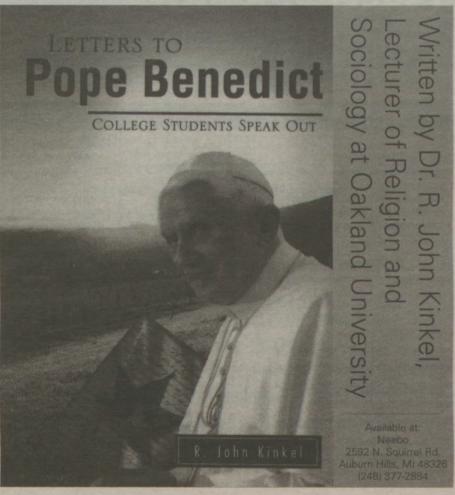
Wolf said the selection process will now be sped up to less than one month. The committee plans to conduct off-campus interviews during the first week of April and the on-campus interviews during the final week.

Moving forward

Despite the change in plans, Wolf said she believes that everything happens for a reason and students should look at this as a positive for the university, because it allows them to find the best provost for OU.

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Jhashi's journey

Interim dean of College of Arts and Sciences invited to join fellowship

By Natalie Popovski Campus Editor

akland University President Gary Russi announced March 22 that Tamara Jhashi, the current interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, has been invited to join the American Council on Education Fellowship Class of 2013-14.

"I'm very pleased and I really wasn't expecting to get this," Jhashi said. "It's a very welcome opportunity for me."

Russi emailed faculty and staff stating that the program prepares leaders to move universities "boldly into the future."

"Tamara's fellowship will include a thorough study of higher education and a placement at another institution for an entire academic year," Russi wrote. "The purpose of the placement is to learn the various components of a senior leadership team, as well as study the complex role of academic administration in the institutional matrix."

Jhashi said she is excited and eager to have the luxury of devoting time to this study, and feels it will be an extraordinary experience.

One of Jhashi's goals is to study the role and value of liberal arts in the higher education environment, and learn how to strengthen the arts and sciences at institutions like OU, according to Russi.

"I know that she will represent Oakland University with pride and honor," Russi wrote.

She said she couldn't be more grateful or thankful to Russi, who nominated her and her supporters.

The fellowship

The American Council on Education represents the presidents of U.S. accredited, degree-granting institutions, which include two- and four-year colleges, private and public universities, and nonprofit and for-profit entities, according to the council's website.

The council is comprised of 1,800 member institutions.

"We (the American Council on Education) convene representatives from all sectors to collectively tackle the toughest higher education challenges, with a focus on improving access and preparing every stu-



Photo courtesy of Oakland University

Tamara Jhashi, interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, will join the American Council on Education Fellowship Class of 2013-14.

dent to succeed," the council's website reads.

Ihashi said she does not know when or where she will spend her fellowship, and that it is an ongoing process to find what interests and goals match the insitution.

Jhashi's timeline

Jhashi was named interim

dean of the CAS Aug. 24, 2012 after it was announced that Ron Sudol would step down from his position as dean. He served as dean for seven years and began his career at OU in 1977.

Jhashi began her career at Oakland as an associate professor of art history in 1997 and has also served as associate provost.

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Curtain call

Tickets sales doing well for upcoming SPB Spring Concert

By Katie Phelan Staff Reporter

A sthe Spring Concert featuring Kendrick Lamar and DJ Steve Aoki approaches, Executive Director of Student Program Board Nick McCormick said ticket sales are going well.

Tickets for the April 12 event costs \$10 for lawn general admission seating and \$15 for pavilion for students. Public tickets are \$20 for lawn general admission and \$25 for pavilion.

The \$25 pit tickets for OU students have already sold out.

Students are encouraged to buy their tickets early.

"If tickets are sold out, students get mad at us," McCormick said. "But we've been selling tickets for the past two months so what do they want us to do?"

In the past, poor ticket sales caused tickets to be discounted. But McCormick said tickets will not be discounted as the concert comes closer.

"I can tell you we're not having poor ticket sales and we will not lower the ticket price toward the end," McCormick said.

Behind the scenes

While planning the spring concert, previously known as GrizzlyPalooza, SPB changed the name to shy away from student's expectations of bringing multiple artists in.

"Although we are bringing multiple artists this time, it is not always going to work out that way," McCormick said. "I don't want future boards to have to deal with the fallout of that."

Before SPB decided to bring in Kendrick Lamar and DJ Steve Aoki, they set up a student survey to find out what kind of genres the general population of OU wanted.

SPB got the result that urban artists were the most popular, but students were also interested in electronic and rock, according to McCormick.

While looking into those genres, keeping price and availability in mind, SPB heard about the tour announcement of Lamar and Aoki. They jumped on the opportunity to please both sides of the survey.

"I CAN TELL YOU WE'RE NOT HAVING POOR TICKET SALES AND WE WILL NOT LOWER THE TICKET PRICE TOWARD THE END."

Nick McCormick, Executive Director of Student Program Board

"I am very excited for Kendrick Lamar," student Taylor Andreano said.

The last concert Andreano went to was two years ago when SPB brought LMFAO and Girl Talk to campus.

Previous concerts

In the past, SPB has spent \$90,000-130,000 to bring artists in for the spring concert.

SPB is not spending more than they have in the past for this year's concert, according to McCormick.

"That seems like a lot but the comeback is that we get a lot of money back from ticket sales," McCormick said.

Upcoming events for SPB

For the remainder of the 2012-13 school year, SPB is finishing up with a few events and planning for the next school year.

McCormick will graduate but is actively working with the current SPB board, as well as their adviser, to gear them up for the next year.

The SPB change of administration is at the end of the winter semester instead of the beginning of the fall semester.

"It would be really hard to gear up for the year if you are new on the executive board and have one month to plan everything," McCormick said. "Especially with all the contracts and discounts that come in way before that."

SPB is rapidly increasing the amount of events they put on, from eight events in fall 2011 to 31 events in fall 2012. They hope to keep growing every year.

For more information on the spring concert or upcoming event by SPB visit their website at www.oakland.edu/spb or check out their Facebook page.

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Photo taken from Oakland University website

Oakland University's homepage received a new look March 20. The website now highlights 10 major areas of the university.

A change in programming

University's homepage receives makeover

By Kevin Graham Senior Reporter

akland University's homepage got a facelift March 20 as Communications and Marketing unveiled the page's first redesign in five years.

Director of Integrated Marketing Bryan Cain said a shift in content consumption on the Web prompted the makeover.

"Our users are expecting graphic representation, a less amount of text, more intuitive design, more interactive design," Cain said. "We knew that it was time to get to that point or make this change based off of how the use of the Internet has evolved."

The first change Cain pointed out occurs in the center of the page, what he calls the page's "prime real estate," a highlight of 10 major areas the university wants to focus on. The list includes applications, registration, academics, School of Medicine, library, athletics, undergraduate/graduate admissions, alumni and giving.

While the homepage redesign process has been in the works since November, Cain said plans for changes to the website have been in discussions since January of last year.

Online Media Specialist Colleen Campbell said the redesign of the sliders at the top of the page should really make a difference. "They're generally more prominent and you can just kind of cycle through them," she said. "Before you had to just kind of wait for them to cycle through which I know most people probably didn't do."

Campbell, who also attended OU as a student in 2007, also likes the fact that the new homepage highlights campus

"OUR USERS ARE EXPECTING GRAPHIC REPRESENTATION, A LESS AMOUNT OF TEXT, MORE INTUITIVE DESIGN, MORE INTERACTIVE DESIGN."

Bryan Cain, Director of Ingrated Marketing

"We never featured events on the homepage before, at least not in my history here," Campbell said. "I think that's a big challenge for us as a university, is getting it known what's going on."

Changes to the admissions pages, OU-Macomb and First-Year Advising Center sites rolled out quietly earlier this year, and reveal a more graphical focus.

"We know that as we move into the world of Twitter, and Twitter has taken over our lives, people don't read as much as they used to," Cain said. "There's far less text on this page, even when it comes to our news stories. Our news stories all now have a picture, along with a short headline and people have the opportunity to read more."

Cain said the goal is to have each of the 471 websites under OU's domain redesigned by the end of the year.

Interactive Designer and Web Developer Vadim Garber, the man in charge of the nuts and bolts on the back end of the website and making sure everything works together, said the change is mostly cosmetic.

"We have a content management system called CareWorks and that is what we use to manage our content," Garber said. "What we did, and what you guys notice, is a graphical change and that mostly involves just moving some graphics around, changing some colors (and) setting up what we call style sheets to make sure everything looks uniform. Once we set up the template, all we do is essentially click a button, and things just get populated to the template."

Garber said his two main concerns are user-friendliness on the front end and ease of uploading for the approximately 500 contributors providing events, news and content pages for OU's website.

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POLICE FILES

Minor in posession, open container citations distributed

OUPD officers on patrol initiated a traffic stop March 16 at 1 a.m.

Officers observed the driver speeding on Meadow Brook Drive. They had the driver pull over into P16. Upon approaching the car, officers smelled marijuana. They asked the driver and passengers if they had smoked marijuana. They denied and allowed officers to search the vehicle.

They began a pat-down, but when they began to check the driver, OU officers could smell intoxicants. The driver agreed to a breathalyzer test and blew a .045. They could also smell intoxicants on the rear passenger. The passenger agreed to a breathalyzer test and blew a .040. Both were issued citations.

Suspicious circumstances reported at Hill House dorms

OUPD was dispatched to Hill House March 24 at 2:55 a.m. for a broken window.

Officers noticed that blood was on a few pieces of the broken glass and inside a bathroom stall on the first floor. They also noticed that no object appeared to be thrown through the window, and the majority of the glass was on the inside.

OUPD contacted several area hospitals and asked for a call if anyone came in with injuries matching the incident.

Crittenton Hospital called and stated a male came in with a lacerated hand.

Officers left to interview him. He said he was a student, and he and a friend were playing around, when he ran into the window, breaking it. OUPD officers believed he was intoxicated so, they scheduled another interview.

Domestic violence reported

OUPD officers drove to Hamlin Hall for a possible domestic violence incident March 25 at 2 a.m.

Through interviews, OUPD learned that a student and her boyfriend had gotten into an argument. The argument became physical and the student's suitemate called OUPD. The student said they had a history of violence.

The male was placed under arrest.

— Compiled by Haley Kotwicki, Copy Editor

GOING AGAINST THE GREEN

Evan Bowser looks to lead men's golf to its first conference championship

> By Allen Jordan Staff Reporter

then it comes to professional sports, men's golf is known as a gentleman's game for the mature audience.

For Oakland University Men's Golf newcomer Evan Bowser, it was a natural attraction to a sport that takes the backseat to many other American favorites.

"Ever since I was young, golf has always appeared to be a fun sport," Bowser said. "I frequently watch it on television and enjoy both playing and watching."

An early attraction

For the average elementary kid, when asked what their favorite sport might be, they might answer with basketball, football, baseball or hockey. A large portion of television attention is directed toward those four major sports.

"Golf has always been the sport I have excelled in," Bowser said. "It's not always about shooting a low score on the course for me as it is also about having fun."

Learning golf wasn't always fun for Bowser. The business of learning the sport that requires long walks and a test of patience presented some of his bigger challenges in life.

"Golf's challenges have always brought out the best in me not only on the course but also as a person," Bowser said. "The sport has led me to expect more out of myself."

Patience is a virtue

As a student at Dearborn High School, Bowser was a four-year honor roll student, as well as, a member of the National Honor Society. He also played dual sports, lettering in golf and as a defenseman in hockey.

His high school career also

saw accomplishments that included posting medalist honors at the Mega-Red tournament as a freshman, earning medalist honors in his sophomore, junior and senior seasons at the conference championship and being elected to All-State Dream Team by MIGCA (Michigan Interscholastic Golf Coaches Association) as a senior.

As easy as it would be to reel off such achievements, Bowser considers it easier said than done.

"I always strive to be the best both athletically and academically," Bowser said. "Keeping up with my grades and playing a sport all throughout high school was sometimes challenging but it made me a better person today."

That hard work eventually paid off before graduating high school as Bowser was named the Van Patrick Award recipient given to the top athlete in Dearborn after senior season.

The honor is something that he serves as a humbling experience that perhaps showed that he could be ready for the college level of sports after being inducted into the Dearborn Sports Hall of Fame

"It is incredible to think of all the talented athletes that went through the city over all the years and being able to join the City of Dearborn Sports Hall of Fame," Bowser said.

"Every school day for all four years of high school from November to June required me to attend over two hours of practice time and many other weekends with hockey games."

A hole in one

With the many accomplishments in his high school career, OU Men's Golf head coach Russ Cunningham considers the step to the college ranks and choosing Oakland as a natural challenge Bowser was meant to do.

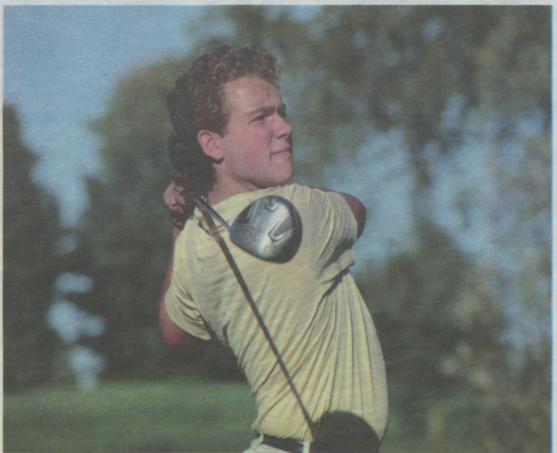


Photo courtesy of Jose Juarez

Freshman Evan Bowser was a three-time conference champion in high school and a three-time state finals qualifier. He qualified for the 2012 United States Amateur Championship at Cherry Hills Country Club in Denver, Colo.

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Evan Bowser, Freshman golfer

"Oakland's participation in Division 1 athletics are also very important as I can compete for a D-1 national championship," Bowser said. "Oakland's great academics and the degree it can provide is the most important thing."

"I knew about Evan before I

started at Oakland," Cunningham said. "He had been shooting great scores for several years and I think it was one of those things that was just meant to be."

Bowser has gotten off to a fast start in his first year at OU with notable performances.

The pre-business major finished tied for 4th (70-70) after stroke play at the Michigan Amateur competition during the summer.

Bowser also posted four rounds in the 60s, including tying the school record with a 65 (-6) in the final round of UD Fall Invitational, while becoming the first freshman to win a golf tournament in school history in what proved to be a test of freshman nerves.

"I was pretty nervous for the

first few holes of my first college golf tournament," Bowser said. "The best way to transition into the college season is to try and continue playing golf like nothing is different."

Bowser is looking to continue with achieving school history at OU in his first year as a Golden Grizzly looking to achieve other school firsts in the golf program.

"I hope to help lead the team to many more tournament wins this season," Bowser said. "The ultimate goal of the season would be to win the first conference championship for Oakland University and make an appearance at NCAA Regional."

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Photo courtesy of Oakland University Cycling Club

The Cycling Club meets on Tuesdays and Sundays. The riders meet in Varner Hall to leave for rides at various local trails.

HITTING THE TRAILS

Cycling club gives riders the chance to explore new areas

By Monica Nowak Staff Intern

akland University has its own cycling club, where riders meet Tuesday and Sunday to participate in a variety of cycling disciplines.

The riders meet at the campus in Varner Hall and leave for rides at local trails such as Velodrome at Bloomer Park, Pontiac Lake State Park and Stony Creek Metropark. Currently, 20 active members are on the team, but the club is always open to new members.

Psychology graduate student and vice president, Chris Holden, joined the team in August of 2012. He has used the club to help him get familiar with the area.

"I am glad to be connected to a network of cyclists with similar interests," Holden said. "As someone who is relatively new to the area, it has been nice to learn about cycling opportunities in the area that otherwise may not have been known."

Setting goals

Holden also has specific goals for the

club, one of them to give students the opportunity to pursue cycling or explore a new sport.

"I would like to promote cycling as a healthy, green, and enjoyable alternative to transition transportation methods," Holden said.

Senior Justin Sackett, president, would like to see the club continue to grow and eventually compete against other schools.

"Right now, the club meets casually to go on group ideas, hang out, and make friends with common interests," Sackett said. "We would like, at some point, to have a cycling team that competes locally against other regional universities, but the club is much less competitive."

Leading the pack

Sackett has eased into the leader role as he tries to help other cyclists, even making sure that the riders are aware of their surroundings.

"I try to act as a leader the best I can in front of the group," Sackett said. "I attempt to show others how to lead a successful group ride or race, being conscious of your fellow team members and the surroundings like car drivers and cyclists (that) don't always get along."

"As someone who is relatively new to the area, it has been nice to learn about cycling opportunities in the area that otherwise may not have been known."

Chris Holden, Vice President of Cycling Club

Sackett also said how he wants to grow and stabilize the club to have several group rides every week, and start racing a team, rather than individuals.

Combining Sackett's attitude and his passion for this relatively new club puts him in high spirits.

"It's pretty cool to watch the club grow (and be able) to put on an OU cycling jersey and wear it out on rides for people to see and ask about the club," Sackett said.

Continuing to grow

In the past semester, each rider would focus on the route and pace to best fit not only themselves, but also the group, according to Holden.

Tim Zvekan, who joined the team at the start of the 2012 season, says he has

RIDE ON

The Oakland University Cycling Club rode in the Barry-Roubaix in Hastings, Mich., March 24. The event was for cyclists of various performance levels to help jumpstart their competition season with a challenging and scenic trail.

36-Mile Race:

51st — Alex Wiltse : 2:13:45 57th — Justin Sackett : 2:14:47

24-Mile Race, Single-Speed:

8th — Tim Zvekan: 1:39:43

a fun time riding and bonding with the members.

"It's a great group of people that are passionate about the sport and enjoy riding while having a good time along the way," Zvekan said. "I'm very positive about the club and what we do."

Zvekan agrees on Sackett's view about the club turning to a team.

"It would be great to watch the club grow and evolve to the point that OU could have a competitive cycling team. But for the time being, it's about having fun and everyone sharing their experiences," Zvekan said.

Zvekan adds how Sackett is a great leader.

"Justin works hard to make sure that there is a mix of rides throughout the season from trail riding at the local parks, road rides from campus and casual rides so everyone can do what they like," Zvekan said.

Being an active member, Zvekan, had to face a slight injury that affected him slightly

"I did break a couple fingers last October on a night ride, but we have bicycle specific headlights that allowed us to ride the trails at night and it's a lot of fun," Zvekan said.

There are not many rules when contributing to this club. The presidents cannot require that club members wear a helmet or bring necessary tools and gear, but it is highly recommended in order to avoid injuries.

During the season, some members like to ride more than others, and some do it for fun.

Just how Zvekan says, "it's not about where we ride but the ride and the people that's so fun."

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AROUND THE DIAMOND

Grizzlies baseball and softball roundup from March 22-24

BASEBALL

March 22

The Grizzlies lost the first game of the series 5-2. Junior left-hander Jason Hager recorded the loss after throwing seven innings, giving up four earned runs on 10 hits and striking out three. Senior infielder Mike Carson went 2-3 while scoring one run.

March 23 - Game 1

In the first game of a doubleheader, the Grizzlies fell to the Spartans in the bottom of the 10th inning, 2-1. Senior right-hander Russell Luxton Jr. recorded the loss in relief after giving up a solo home run to sophomore first baseman Ryan Krill. Sophomore right-hander Jake Paulson threw nine innings, giving up one run on two hits and striking out six MSU batters. Junior outfielder Jared Theisen went 2-4 with a walk.

March 23 - Game 2

A Michigan State walk off in the bottom of the 9th inning doomed the Grizzlies as they lost the second game, 3-2. Junior right-hander Tim Koons was handed the loss after throwing 8.1 innings, giving up three runs on eight hits and striking out seven. Sophomore infielder Kevin Goergen had the game winning RBI after singling in sophomore outfielder Anthony Cheky.

Despite two runs, the Grizzlies finished the game with no hits. Both runs were unearned, coming in the third and fourth inning.

March 24

In the final game against Michigan State, Oakland was shut out 7-0. Nine pitchers saw the mound for the Grizzlies. Sophomore right-hander Chris Van Dyke earned the

loss after giving up seven runs (four earned) in four innings. Van Dyke struck out two and walked two.

Oakland had three hits in the game, one from Carson, Impemba and sophomore infielder Spencer Marentette each. Sophomore right-hander Mick VanVossen recorded the win after giving up zero runs in seven innings.

SOFTBALL

March 23 - Game 1

Oakland lost the first game of a doubleheader against Western Illinois, 5-1. Freshman pitcher Erin Kownacki was given the loss after throwing six innings, giving up four earned runs on nine hits and striking out four. Four of WIU's runs came in the bottom of the fourth inning.

The Grizzlies recorded picked-up hits from sophomore second baseman and outfielder Jackie Kisman, senior second and third baseman Erin Galloway and junior outfielder Shannon Cleveland.

March 23 - Game 2

Western Illinois took the second game with a 4-3 victory. Oakland jumped out to an early 3-0 lead in the first inning after a three-run home run by Cleveland. Western Illinois rallied for four runs in the fourth inning, which secured the win.

Freshman infielder and pitcher Laura Pond recorded the loss. Pond pitched 3.2 innings, giving up four unearned runs.

March 24

The final game of the series was cancelled due to inclement weather.

— Compiled by Lindsay Beaver, Sports Editor

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LEFT: Manager Gary Kaye works at the computer in Spy Shops. Kaye builds all nanny cams sold in the store and can install a camera into any item. **TOP:** Professional Investigator and Spy Shops USA owner Mark Ford works on the company's website. **BOTTOM:** A popular item is the AC adaptor camera, which plugs into a wall and holds a standard SD card.

Somebody's watching you

Spy shop and private investigation company provides services, supplies

Written and photographed by Stephanie Sokol

Local Editor

People sometimes feel like they are being watched. That very well could be the case because Gary Kaye can make anything into a nanny cam.

"I tell people, 'Bring in an object, give me an hour, let me take it apart and see what I can do,' " said Kaye, general manager of Spy Shops USA.

Spy Shops USA in downtown Rochester carries monitoring equipment for the curious and suspecting shopper. The store shares location and ownership with a private investigative company.

Professional investigator Mark Ford founded Risk Security & Investigations. The Michigan-licensed company provides investigation and security guards for local businesses.

"I've always wanted to do it," Ford said. "I was one of those kids who always wanted to be a cop or a P.I., so I followed my dreams."

Ford has seen many cases of divorce caused by infidelities.

Kaye said he went undercover in the company van to catch footage of cheating spouses, in addition to bigger cases featuring government officials or missing persons.

"There's nothing typical," Ford said.

One case involved a woman who suspected her husband of cheating. After doing research, Ford went out with his team in a worn-out van and sat in the parking lot with a camera.

The husband and his secretary pulled up next to the vehicle and got intimate in the back seat. Ford's team caught them on tape in the act, confirming the wife's suspicions.

"My philosophy is if you get to the point where you're sitting in that chair, or that couch, coming to see me, you know what's happening," Ford said. "You just want proof — you just want the facts."

Another instance led Ford's team on the hunt for a missing person — a college student who went missing on a spring break trip to Mexico. He and the mother searched for the young woman, who had been murdered. Ford, who found the student's body on a beach, described it as the "most difficult case" he's dealt with.

"(I like to help people because) it's the right thing to do," Ford said.

Ford's wife persuaded him to pursue his dream of opening a spy shop. When they were visited downtown Rochester 10 years ago, they rented a building and moved the detective agency there.

The Internet worked as Ford's guide in spy product research. He said he now dominates the industry in this area, and while there are a few other spy shops, his is "the biggest and the best" in metro Detroit.

GPS tracking devices, cell phone or computer monitoring systems, and nanny cams are among the store's top-sellers, according to Kaye. The surveil-lance security cameras sync to all devices, from computers and televisions to cell phones, so people can view footage anywhere, anytime.

Spy Shop employees build much of the equipment in-house. Kaye builds the nanny cams, which started with people bringing in household items.

People with suspicions who don't want to hire an investigator come in for devices to watch their children or cheating spouses, according to Kaye.

He has put cameras into household objects, including pens, sunglasses, wall clocks, air purifiers and books. Kaye said people like these nanny cams because they aren't noticeable.

One of Kaye's favorite products is the AC adapter nanny cam, which looks like normal charger but has a DVR camera that records to a memory card.

"I hate to say it, there's no perfect product out there for every situation, but if you can give somebody the right direction, usually if it fits 70 to 80 percent of what they want, they're happy," Kaye said.

"And I've had quite a few people come back where I sent them home, they got the information they wanted and were happy about it. That's what keeps me going, is the good feedback afterwards."

— This story originally ran on OU News Bureau.

How do you like them apples?

Paint Creek Cider Mill reopens with vintage vibe

> By Allen Jordan Staff Reporter

A pple cider and hot doughnuts are usually considered seasonal treats appropriate for only the fall and winter.

Paint Creek Cider Mill's new resident, Ed Granchi, is looking to change tradition at the Oakland Township staple, bringing a little of his past to the future of the community favorite.

"Being here is a bit nostalgic for me," Ed said. "Coming here as a child when it got cold for cider and donuts with family and friends never got old."

For the first time in its history, Paint Creek will now be open year-round, seven days a week thanks to Ed and his wife Kristen signing an extension to their previous lease back in October.

"It is a pleasure working with my husband," Kristen said. "He has so many fantastic ideas from all his years in the food service industry and even though we both have experience in restaurants, his is what makes this place run."

Meet the new neighbors

Ed, who is from the small area between Rochester and Lake Orion, is big on tradition and family values in a community small enough to build one of its own.

A photo posted next to the entrance of the cider mill shows a family standing in front of the Mill in 1980. There's a dad, sister, grandpa and mom holding a baby boy — Ed Granchi.

When the time came for the historic site's new occupancy, Ed thought back to his childhood and immediately jumped at the need to once again be a part of it.

"When the opportunity arose for someone to oversee this place it was a no-brainer," Ed said. "I felt if anyone was going to be involved with this place it should be someone who knows about its tradition and its meaning to this community."

Ed is a Rochester High School graduate and has over 15 years of restaurant experience under his belt.

He has managed at both Mind Body & Spirits and Rochester Mills Beer Co. before purchasing Paint Creek Cider Mill



ALLEN JORDAN/The Oakland Post

Ed Granchi, 32, is the owner and operator of the historic Paint Creek Cider Mill. Paint Creek Cider Mill is now open seven days a week with a full service eatery that includes an apple cider, BBQ pulled pork sandwich and chicken wraps.

back in October with his wife. After years of overseeing someone else's business, he felt the need to branch out on his own.

"Being a manager was great because it gave me insight on how to run a business," Ed said. "But having the satisfaction to have my own and do things the way I want — there is nothing better."

Time for a new look

After being closed for the winter, Paint Creek finally reopened its doors March 1 with fresh ideas while preserving its traditional look

Looking to showcase his love of barbecue, Ed has incorporated new items to a menu that normally consisted of cider, donuts and hot dogs.

One would be the apple cider BBQ sauce with the new homemade pulled-pork sandwich added to the menu.

While reintroducing the establishment to the residents of the area, the odd combination has taken off among customers

"I was just messing around with how to include apple flavors into the menu and it kind of just happened," Ed said. "It was like combining summer and winter, I figured with both of those being a favorite of mine what could go wrong, and luckily it came out great!"

The new menu also includes chicken wraps in BBQ, caesar and buffalo. Other items available are pizza, salads, chicken tenders, chili cheese fries, wings and pierogi

The hot dogs have also changed, with customers now being able to purchase them plain, Coney-style, sauerkraut or chili-cheese.

This spring, Ed will add roadside BBQ to his menu, with items served off of a homemade smoker designed by him and his father.

Even with the menu changes and the acceptance of Ed into the community with the year-round opening of Paint Creek, there is one long-standing tradition he could never imagine changing.

"I wouldn't dare think about getting rid of the cider and donuts," Ed said. "I will be introducing a cheesecake donut and also creating my own soda to be served on draft, just looking to stay creative."



Photo courtesy of Ed Granch

Ed as a toddler in 1980. Here he is joined by his father, mother, grandfather and sister on a regular trip to Paint Creek.

For more information about Paint Creek Cider Mill, visit www.paintcreekcidermill.org

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'Curious Critters' exhibit connects with nature

Animal photography exhibit to be held at Stoney Creek

> By Stephanie Sokol Local Editor



FITZSIMMONS

The critters are coming. Stoney Creek Nature Center will soon be filled with the works of Sigma Pro Nature Photographer David

FitzSimmons, from March 26 to April 24.

The 24, 2-by-3-foot print photographs feature animals against white backgrounds, which FitzSimmons said "I really enjoy interacting with animals. I make a closer connection with nature, almost always photographing animals from eye level."

David FitzSimmons, Sigma Pro Photographer

expresses his love of nature and helps others appreciate it.

"I really enjoy interacting with animals," FitzSimmons said. "I make a closer connection with nature, almost always photographing animals from eye level."

The exhibit will be the first of its kind held at Stoney Creek's new Nature Center building, according to Mark Szabo, Stoney Creek Metro Park Interpreter.

The new facility, built five years ago, replaced the old home that had been there since 1964, which he said was not ideal for hosting this type of event.

"We've been in this building for about five years, and this is something we've always wanted to do," Szabo said. "(The new building is) big enough to keep the exhibit up for a month while still providing school programs. It's such a beautiful space."

FitzSimmons and Szabo met at a nature conference, where Szabo was performing nature songs. He noticed FitzSimmons' booth with the books and talked to him about hosting the photo exhibit at Stoney Creek.

The exhibit was based off FitzSimmons' children's book "Curious Critters." After taking the photos for Sigma Pro, he decided to make them into

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Photo courtesy of David FitzSimmons

David FitzSimmons photographs animals against a white background to show detail. Some of FitzSimmons' 2-by-3 foot photographs will be displayed at the Stoney Creek Nature Center from March 26 to April 4.

a book to share with young people.

During the exhibit, the Nature Center will also be hosting photo workshops April 13 and

For \$5 admission, people can learn "the basics of outdoor photography," according to a press release from Huron-Clinton Metroparks.

"It's something different," Szabo said. "Most of our visitors are repeat visitors so we have to continue offering new things to keep people visiting. What (the event) really provides is photography done differently. David isolates animal using white background. The exhibit fits our mission and is just another way to get people into nature."

For more of FitzSimmons' photo project, visit www.curious-critters.com

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Completed applications for all Critical Difference Scholarships must be submitted by March 30, 2013.

Body of knowledge

Anatomy class gives students chance to work with human cadavers

> By Lilly Reid Staff Reporter

7ith more than 130 undergraduate majors for students to pursue, some of Oakland's more unique classes get overlooked.

Deep in the basement of the Science and Engineering Building is the home of a very special class. Biology 206, also known as Human Anatomy Laboratory, is not only known for its difficulty, but for its use of hands-on study tools.

Students are allowed to use human cadavers to get a literal "hands-on" approach to studying the human body.

Special Lecturer Christopher Kauhn has helped students in BIO 206 explore their way through the human body.

"Originally I wanted to pursue dentistry," Kauhn said. "But I realized I liked teaching anatomy so much more."

Kauhn's teaching style and use of real-world examples and personal stories help to bring everything together when studying the material.

"The class is a challenge all its own," junior and pre-med major Miranda Long said. "But overall it's more than worth it."

Kauhn is a local from the area and received both his bachelor's and master's degrees from OU.

"Way back, I was trying to decide on where I wanted to go to school," Kauhn said. "Oakland had always been number one on my list."

During his time at Oakland, Kauhn was offered opportunities to take unique classes and to be a teacher's assistant in some of those courses.

He attributes much of his success to Dr. Mary Bee, a professor at Oakland.

Dr. Bee was a mentor to me," Kauhn said. "She gave me opportunities to do things I never thought I would be able to do."

After completing classes with Dr. Bee, Kauhn was asked to become a teacher's assistant for various classes at Oakland, Wayne State and University of Detroit Mercy. He has brought many of the skills learned through those experiences to his own classroom.

Kauhn teaches a hefty course load at OU, including five anatomy laboratories and one lecture class.

"The laboratories I teach are different than a lot of other classes here," Kauhn said. "It's

"IT'S VERY DIFFERENT TO SEE SOMETHING IN A POWERPOINT THAN TO SEE AND BE ABLE TO PHYSICALLY TOUCH IT IN PERSON."

Christopher Kauhn, Biology 206 professor

very different to see something in a PowerPoint than to see and be able to physically touch it in person."

Kauhn's classes cover a variety of topics such as bones, muscles, the nervous system and the various body systems, but even professors have their favorite subject.

"I love all aspects of anatomy," Kauhn said. "But I always get so excited when we get into discussing the nervous sys-

The laboratory gives students a chance to see and physically touch parts of the body to help with comprehension. The spinal cord, brain, muscles and bones are just a handful of things that are available for students to use.

This is the first semester that OU is running the lecture and lab aon a congruent schedule, allowing some relief for the students who take

'At first I was worried



Christopher Kauhn teaches Human Anatomy Laboratory, which allows students to get a "hands-on" approach to studying the human body.

about taking both classes at the same time," Long said. "But after being in the classes everything has worked out wonderfully."

When learning anatomy, memorization is the key to understanding information.

"When my students ask how to study, I tell them repetition is key," Kauhn said.
"Just take in little bits of information at a time, and it will all come together in the end."

With the new schedule for his classes, Kauhn said there has been a great improvement in his students' grades.

"In the beginning I struggled a bit with how to study the material," Long said. "But after talking to Professor Kauhn I was able to improve my grade immensely.

Kauhn has an "open-door policy" to his students by encouraging them to meet with him about whatever questions they may have.

"I try to cater to my students' needs," he said. "It allows both my students and I to better ourselves."

OU will be the host of the first Anatomy Memorial Ceremony to honor those who have dedicated their bodies to science, making classes like Biology 206 possible. The event will be held Thursday, April 11 from 6 to 7 p.m.

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Prof publishes book on Pope Benedict

By Bobby Brooks Staff Intern

n 2011, John Kinkel of Oakland Uni-Lversity's sociology and anthropology departments published a book titled "Letters To Pope Benedict."

The book is a compilation of letters written by college students, all of which are addressed to the former Pontiff himself.

"I got the idea for the book while teaching at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. I had written other books on the catholic church, including 'Chaos in the Catholic Church' and another book on early Christianity," Kinkel said.

"These are all adults talking about the problems of the church and saying we need to do something," Kinkel said, "but they're not listening, so because the church likes to think they are hip, perhaps they would listen to the younger generation."

While teaching at Miami University, Kinkel announced to his classes that he would be writing this book. He then offered the opportunity for any student to participate. He received over thirty letters, all of which were addressed to Pope Benedict, himself.

The letters cover topics such as religious tolerance, departure from the church and traditions. Some of the letters address hot topics such as gay marriage and women in the priest-

"The letters are very liberal and also span to being very conservative," Kinkel said with a smile. "The only thing I did was helping edit the letters to communicate the message better."

"In my position, I'm realistic. What is the likelihood of the Pope reading it? But people can read it and see how the younger generation feels, and that is the point in my mind."

Pope Benedict may or may not have read the letters, but Dr. Kinkel did receive a letter from the Vatican. The letter wished to thank Dr. Kinkel for his kind gift and that the Holy Father would remember him in his prayers.

"You could raise the question fic-

tionally, that the Pope read the letters, and that's when he decided to resign," Kinkel said, "It would be pretty funny to argue that, but some of the letters are pretty strong."

Pope Benedict became the first Pope to resign in almost 600 years.

"In one sense I think it is a modern transition. I think he is saying, I'm not a monarch and I don't have to die in office," Kinkel said, "He is just doing what most people do at 85, he's retiring."

The book also includes a conclusion and comments by Dr. Kinkel himself.

"Letters To Pope Benedict" can be found for purchase at the Neebo book-

email at rjbrooks@oakland.edu

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MTD professor composes original music scores for film, TV

By Allen Jordan Staff Reporter

hen it comes to following a dream and doing what he loves, Oakland University Music, Theatre and Dance Professor Terry Herald has always followed his own beat.

Herald first fell in love with music at age 11, latching on to the British Invasion after the Beatles' famed performance on the Ed Sullivan Show.

"When I heard it. I thought to myself. 'this is pretty cool and different," Herald said. "So eventually, I became interested in playing guitar and started there."

Playing the guitar stuck and at 16 years old Herald built his first guitar, which became one of many over the years. Coming up with the idea of amplifying a classic guitar eventually turned into a long-standing joint venture with Grammy award-winning guitarist Earl Klugh.

Finding his calling

Herald said marine biology was his original choice as a major out of high school before switching to classic guitar.

"I figured marine biology wouldn't get me to where I wanted to be in life, so when I learned Wayne State had a classic guitar major, I immediately fell in love," Herald said.

While at Wayne State, he changed his major to music theory in a decision that he said helped him become more wellrounded in the world of music.

"I wanted to expand my background in the field of music and only knowing classic guitar wasn't going to give me the skills that I looked to obtain," Herald said.

"I didn't just want to know one thing," Herald said. "There was no way I was going to be able to find a job without knowing more than just how to play an instrument."

Composing music scores

While at Wayne State, Herald was under the guidance of Professor Al Yungton, whom he credits as a mentor. After Yungton retired, he asked Herald to collaborate with him in composing music scores for theater and film.

Their first major project together

"THAT (PROJECT) RESONATES SO MUCH BECAUSE IT WAS A REAL CHALLENGE FOR ME **BEING ABLE TO MATCH THE** MUSIC WITH THE EMOTIONS OF THE FILM, WHICH RAN VERY DEEP. THE PRODUCERS GAVE ME FREE REIGN OVER WHAT I WANTED."

Terry Herald, MTD Professor

was a PBS documentary special called "Air Force One: The Planes and The Presidents.

Terry contributed some original themes to the project but it was not until the producer, Elliott Sluhan, decided to film a new, longer version of the documentary that Herald took on the position of lead composer on a project.

He composed 90 percent of the new material and conducted the 40-piece orchestra that recorded the new score. They laid down 43 separate pieces of music in four hours in the Duns Scotus Chapel in Southfield.

Herald continued to compose for film with his favorite project to date being "Journey to Justice" in 2004, about a Jewish refugee who fled Nazi Germany and returned as an interpreter working at the Nuremberg War Crime Trials.

"That one resonates so much because it was a real challenge for me being able to match the music with the emotions of the film, which ran very deep," Herald said. "The producers gave me free reign over what I wanted."

Oakland and beyond

Today Herald is represented by Radical Entertainment, which is one of two companies supplying music to NBC Sports.

He is currently on staff at Oakland, where he engineers all sound recordings in Varner Hall and teaches courses in the history of film music, sound recording and accepts private composition students.

"The department values Terry most for his kindness, congeniality, flexibility and willingness to step up whenever

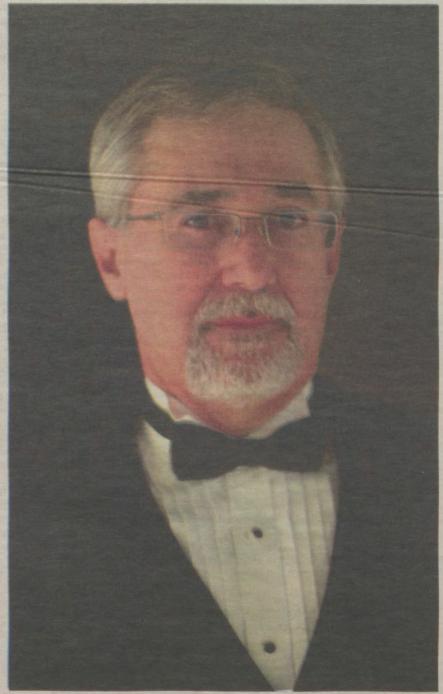


Photo courtesy of Megan Herald

Terry Herald teaches courses on the history of film music, sound recording and accepts private composition students. He also engineers all sound recordings for Varner Hall.

needed," said Jackie Wiggins, professor of music education and chair of the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance at Oakland University.

Aside from teaching at Oakland and heading a publishing company, Herald continues to explore his creative side and builds and designs microphones in his spare time.

"Just like with the guitar, I wanted to

make the perfect tool when it comes to music," Herald said. "All of these ventures I consider a challenge to perfection."

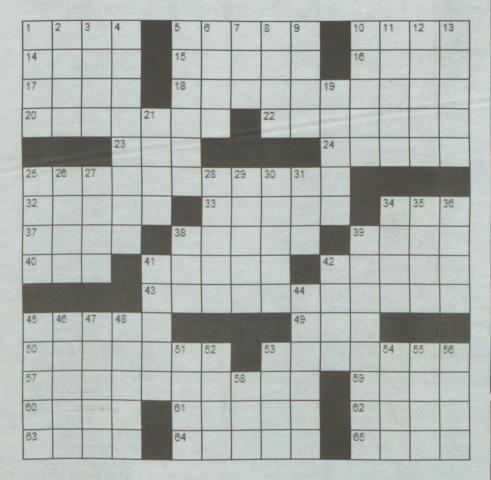
For more information about Terry Herald and his music, visit www. terryherald.com.

For more information about the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance, visit www.oakland.edu/mtd

Puzzles

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ACROSS

- 1. Group of cattle
- 5. Something to shoot
- 10. Largest continent
- 14. Wings
- 15. Parisian subway
- 16. A temple (archaic)
- 17. Not cool
- 18. Indiscretion
- 20. Patella
- 22. Spruce up
- 23. Be unwell
- 24. Relaxes
- 25. Visage
- 32. lrk
- 33. Operatic solos
- 34. Damp
- 37. Blend
- 38. What's happening
- 39. Filly's mother
- 40. Also
- 42. Shelf
- 43. Torment
- 45. San Antonio fort
- 49. Actress Lupino
- 50. Retaliation
- 41. Marble
- 11. Preserves 12. Arm of the sea
- 19. Challenges
- 21. Large town
- 25. Actors in a show

- 53. Ore refinery
- 57. Combine together
- 59. Stringed instrument
- Thorny flower
- 61. Related to tides
- 62. Colored part of an
- eye 63. Initial wager
- 64. Tale
- 65. Outlay

DOWN

- 1. Bird of prey
- 2. Distinctive flair
- 3. Unusual
- 4. Behavior
- 5. Skewer
- 6. Bottomless
- 7. And so forth
- 8. Circle fragments
- 9. Rich soil
- 10. All excited
- 13. Long times

- 45. A kind of macaw 46. A tart fruit 47. Nautical for stop 48. Donnybrook 51. Handguns 52. Send forth 53. Sun 54. Apprentice

26. Savvy about

27. Pearly-shelled

28. Pertaining to the

29. Mountain crest

34. Dry riverbed

36. Adolescent

41. In the midst of

42. Stow, as cargo

44. At an opportune

35. Therefore

38. Conceit

39. Tinny

mussel

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31. Feline

55. Twin sister of Ares 56. A musical pause 58. Big fuss

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Who would you vote for?

The top 10 written-in choices for OUSC elections

By Dylan Dulberg // Multimedia Editor

s you all should know by now, last week was the OUSC elections. For President/Vice President, you had three options to choose from — the two pairs of candidates, and then the magical "write-in" option. You see, if you're anything like me, (super immature) you're the kind of person who would much prefer to see a slow-motion video of Nicolas Cage punching the lead singer of Nickelback over watching a sepia-toned Mitt Romney ad. (I would just like to point out that both of those exist, though one of them is animated.)

In other words, you are not a fan of faux-seriousness, but rather of childish joking around. So, you will enjoy this list of the top ten possible write-in candidates.

- The Dog Whisperer and Dawg the Bounty Hunter My hope would be that they would be endorsed by Snoop Dogg Lion, who could film the sequel to his movie here. (He made a movie. With Whiz Khalifa. It's called "Mack and Devin Go To High School". If you aren't already looking for it on Netflix, you disgust me.)
- M. Night Shaymalan and ... M. Night Shaymalan! Bet you didn't see that plot twist coming, did ya? (I'm so clever.)
- Vince the Slap Chop guy and Chris Brown. "You having problems with Scantrons? Slap, chop, b'yah, and you're all s... -whoa whoa Chris! That's not what I meant!"
- Ed, Edd, and Eddy If you aren't humming/singing/whistling the theme song to that show, you failed childhood.
- Justin Timberlake and Andy Samberg It's my Grizz in a box!
- Ex-Representative Anthony Weiner and Speaker of the House John Boehner. Weiner/Boehner 2013! Teehee.
- Verne Troyer and Yao Ming. Are you picturing this? It's like a toddler riding a T-Rex.
- Dennis Haysbert (The deep-voiced guy from the Allstate commercials), and Gilbert Gottfried. It's like playing the lowest and highest key on a piano, at the
- David Bowie and Mick Jagger, provided they performed a complete re-enactment of their "Dancing in the Streets" music video at least once every single day.
- Nicolas Cage and Arnold Schwarzenegger. Cage never turns down a job offer, and Arnie could probably use one.

BRBejeweled

Caving in to online distractions

By Brian Figurski Copy Editor/Procrastinator

March seems to be a stress-ful time for students. The winter semester is winding down and a barrage of final exams and essays breathes down their necks. There are too many distractions going on for me to keep my focus: Kids screaming about their March Madness brackets, the growing urge to enjoy the extra hour of daylight.

In my time of turmoil, I consistently turn back to the same thing - Bejeweled Blitz, the biggest waste of time to which I have become attached.

It always starts the same way. I'll sit down at my dirty laptop to do some writing or research, and Facebook is always the best place to start. After about three scrolls of ugly babies, I click that taunting baby blue diamond in the corner. Next thing I know, my Panini is ice cold and Panera Bread is kicking me out because they closed 15 minutes

I hope they revamp the interface system on Bejeweled sometime soon. Instead of the grand total of jewels destroyed over the last four years of my wasted existence, it would be a real eye-opener if they could change it to a live-updating tally of hours of potential I will never get back.

It's ironic that I shun video games because I get bored after about a half-hour of getting shot in the face by Brazilian teenagers, but I have at least an hour a day to match beautiful, sparkly shapes.

I'm about to vomit. My colleague and I just did some intense statistical work to figure out how long I've actually spent playing this game. Grand total - 152 hours.

This is not including the five-second bonus time. which costs 4,500 coins for three games, so if we make an educated guess here... I'm eight hours shy of a full week of clicking buttons.

That the video gaming industry is a juggernaut is no surprise to anyone. The gaming industry rakes in billions of dollars each year. The only tidbit that makes my stomach churn is the growing amount of that revenue being funneled away from traditional disc-based games and toward the myriad puzzle games that live on Facebook and smartphones.

I haven't spiraled down that far yet. Majority of these games are free, or enable extra plays after an allotted amount of time has expired. To think that people are dishing out money for extra coins, well, those Phoenix Prisms aren't going to pay for themselves.

I feel like if you're going to invest the time into false realities, at least make it entertaining for your brain. You'd be better off flying dragons, decapitating zombies or collapsing planets with fissionparticle blasters than trying to make star gems.

Of course, that's easier for me to say than do. I've clocked another hour since starting this article. Seven

more to go.

I guess the point I'm trying to make here is that video games are addicting, and I'm an addict and a loser. It would be less addicting if I took up crack-cocaine again and definitely more productive.

I'm like that cigarette smoker standing outside in a blizzard giving you life advice. If you're going to put off your schoolwork and things that actually pertain to your future, go save a princess. Don't start down the yellow gem road.

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