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## Arab-Israeli tensions reach university

Palestinian students share experiences

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This is the second in a two-part series on the situation in Israel and the occupied territories. Due to the sensitivity of the topic and fear of repercussions to family members, Michael and Khalid requested their real names not be used.

By WENDY WENDLAND  
Editor in Chief

Khalid, a 21-year-old Oakland student, knows from personal experience what it's like to be a Palestinian living in Israel.

Having grown up on the predominantly Arab east side of Jerusalem, Khalid says the last four months of Palestinian uprising has affected the lives of his family back home.

"Every time I call home they (his three younger brothers and father) have better spirit," the engineering major said.

**BECAUSE OF** stone throwing and street riots, schools in the Arab sections have been closed. Khalid's brothers have not attended school for the last four months. So far Khalid says his brothers are behind one year, and unless the schools reopen soon, they may be behind two.

Michael is also an Oakland student who describes himself as a Palestinian living in Jordan. Both of his parents fled Palestine when the United Nations declared Israel an independent country in 1948.

"In 1948 half of the Palestinian people living there were forced to move out," said the 23-year-old.

"Israelis did massacres in the villages. Children, young men, old people, all were killed. Their way of killing them was really bad — kind of like what Hitler did, only apply it to the Palestinians."

**WHILE MICHAEL** has never been to Israel, he said 90 percent of his relatives are there today, all whom he's never seen, with one exception.

Michael says he saw his aunt (his father's sister) and three cousins once when they came to visit. He said one of these cousins was recently killed.

"(He) was killed two weeks ago in the riots," he said. "He was in Gaza... shot by an Israeli soldier with two bullets in the chest, one in the neck... he was 27 years old."

Because all international calls and communications have been terminated in the Gaza Strip, Michael's family found out about the death through a newspaper.

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## History influences Israeli actions

By WENDY WENDLAND  
Editor in Chief

In order to understand Israel, it's important to understand its history, said Baruch Cahlon, associate math professor.

Cahlon grew up in Israel but is now an American citizen. He said that because of all the wars between Israel and surrounding countries, Israel is concerned about security.

"You have to be aware day and night that you don't have a bomb

in your car, or under your seat in the bus, that there is not poison in your coffee," said Cahlon.

"(When you live like this) you have to take every measure of security. I don't see what Israel can do."

**BESIDES FEARS** about day-to-day safety, Cahlon said the Holocaust is still very vivid in the memories of most Israelis.

"The Holocaust is probably one of the main reasons we're looking for security," said Cahlon. "Unfortunately it's very expensive, the cost of human beings on both sides."

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## Flip it

Student Wendy Walters takes advantage of 60 degree weather Saturday outside of the Oakland Center. Tuesday's high was in the mid-70s.

The Oakland Post / Art Stephenson

## Spring classes increase in popularity

By MARK MC DOWELL  
Staff Writer

Spring's tuition hike will have little or no effect on spring enrollment, according to David Beardslee, director of institutional research.

"Because of the larger junior and senior classes, I would guess this year's (spring enrollment) would be up a little," Beardslee said.

He said most of the students taking spring and summer classes are juniors and seniors.

Spring tuition revenue increased from 7.9 percent of all semesters in 1983-84 to 9 percent in 1986-87. Summer's revenue percentage decreased slightly, from 5.5 in 1983-84 to 5.2 percent in

1986-87.

**SPRING ENROLLMENT** declined from 1980 through 1984, but since 1985, enrollment has increased, Beardslee said. In 1987, 4,149 undergraduate students took spring classes. Summer enrollment has slightly decreased since 1980, to less than one-half of one percent of 1987's total enrollment.

Gerald Pine, dean of human and educational services, said he expects a fairly large number of students this spring and summer. About 30 of 42 education staff members will be teaching spring and summer, he said.

**PINE SAID** he enjoys spring and summer terms because the pace is slower and a better

chance exists for students and professors to get to know each other.

"The advantage in the spring and summer is that we can offer a workshop format," he said.

Renate Gerulaitis, associate German professor, enjoys the smaller classes, usually 26 to 28 students. There are other advantages. "I consider spring and summer sacred. That's when I can do my research," she said.

**JULIA DORMINEY**, assistant education professor, said she enjoys teaching in spring and summer.

"It's sort of a more relaxed atmosphere," Dorminey said. "It's more laid back."

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## Finals pressure induces stress

By MARC MORANIEC  
Staff Writer

Final exams. Panic. As the end of April nears, the two words are synonymous.

While exams are important, students sometimes overemphasize them and let pressure take over, according to Dr. Robert Fink, counseling director at Graham Health Center.

"Students who have very high expectations tend to put a lot of pressure on themselves," he said.

This is unreasonable, according to Fink. "If you get a 3.8 rather than a 4.0 life will be pretty much the same."

**A FEW** students panic or have anxiety attacks, Fink said. Final exam time is like 'crunch time' because, "That's when you prove you're OK," he said.

Another type of student is the one who procrastinates and leaves the semester's material for a few nights of 'cramming,' he said.

Some students don't let the pressure of finals affect them. "It's just like another test, instead of going out one night maybe I'll stay home and study," said Gina Ritchie, a 19-year-old freshman.

**MIKE COUNSMAN**, 21, said, "There's no way to prepare for finals, either you know it or you don't."

Others thrive on the pressure. "I put off everything until the last minute because I do better under pressure," said Sarah Stinson, a sophomore.

**"If you get a 3.8 rather than a 4.0 life will be pretty much the same."**

Dr. Robert Fink, counseling director

Other students don't like the pressure. "You start getting depressed and hating school and don't take spring classes," said John Below, a junior.

For students who face pressure during finals, Fink said preparation "will really keep the anxiety down."



Van Wagoner resident Marcia Sullivan prepares for exams in her dorm room.

## Residence halls students cope with year's end

By CLAUDETTE ZOLKOWSKI  
Staff Writer

Residence halls students are under additional stress during the last few weeks of school, not all test-related, according to resident assistants.

"There is quite a bit (of tension). For about three or four days (during finals week) every person is tense," said Andy Gray, a Hamlin RA.

**LIVING WITH** the same person apparently contributes to this.

"Toward the end of the year roommates who have lived together for a year or two end up hating each other," said RA Diane Laginess.

During finals week roommates take stress out on each other. RA Anne Fadler said, "People bite people's heads off, they get upset easier."

"Basically everyone is getting on each other's nerves," said Hamlin RA Kara Lapko.

**LOFT REMOVAL** before finals are finished could

add to stress for some students, according to Laginess.

"They (students) get depressed, and it could add to the (stress) if they don't want to go home," she said.

To relieve stress students scream out of windows, eat constantly and when done with exams, drink, Laginess said.

During the 24-hour quiet enforced during finals week, residence halls have 'animal hours', one hour per day, to allow students to relax, she said.

**TO DEAL** with nerves and stress Lapko suggested that roommates try to be understanding because everyone is going through the same experience.

"Take sufficient breaks, start studying early...and sleep," said Gray.

He said sleep is probably the hardest to get. "Sometimes you have to decide between sleep and studying."

## Trustee named state schools superintendent

By CATHERINE KAZA  
and DAWN SCHAFFER  
Staff Writers

University trustee Donald Bemis, Utica Community Schools superintendent, was named Michigan schools superintendent Thursday by a divided state education board, 5-3.

Bemis, 53, was one of five candidates for the job. He succeeds Philip Runkel, who resigned last year. "Considering the competition...I'm pretty excited," said Bemis.

Bemis said his major priorities are preschool education and school financing at all levels. "It's a tremendous problem in Michigan," he said.

**DISSENTING BOARD** of Education members said Gov. James Blanchard influenced the appointment.

"I think Governor Blanchard's influence being exerted on crucial board members is what made the appointment. One of the points we made was that the superintendent

shouldn't be aligned with either party," Beardmore said.

Another complaint about Bemis was that his nearly 28 years of school experience is in Utica only.

Beardmore said he "knows Michigan from the vantage point of the Utica School District...he has

no experience at all with the kinds of problems the Flints, Detroit and Pontiacs have to encounter every day."

Bemis said no one could be completely prepared for the top education post in the state. However, his experience from managing the fourth-largest state school district will help him meet the challenge, he said. Also, his experience as an Oakland trustee gives him a better knowledge of issues, he said.

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Donald Bemis

## Labor leader concerned about pesticide harms

By BOB MC MURRAY  
Staff Writer

Labor leader and human rights activist Cesar Chavez is speaking on the control of agricultural chemicals at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in the Oakland Center Crockery.

Chavez, president of the United Farm Workers Union, AFL-CIO, has been active in organizing communities and workers since 1952. His work first came to national prominence in 1965 when he organized a strike against grape growers in Delano, Calif. That strike led to a boycott which ended in 1970 with vineyard workers gaining the right to organize.

**IT WAS** also during this strike that Chavez, now 61, went on a two-week hunger strike to ensure that his supporters follow the methods of nonviolent resistance used by Mahatma Gandhi in India.

According to Arthur Mendoza, a union official, a second boycott of California grapes was announced in 1984 but was not begun in earnest until 1986. The primary demand of the union is that growers discontinue the use of five of the most dangerous pesticides, said Mendoza.

"These pesticides are known to cause cancer and birth defects...We believe there is no safe method of use for them. They not only harm farm workers, consumers are also threatened."

**THE FARM** workers union has been involved in the control of agricultural chemicals since 1962, its beginning. According to Mendoza, the Delano boycott led to a ban on the use of DDT.

"There are over 70 chemicals used in growing grapes...The incidence of birth defects among farm workers is 13 times higher than the national average and their cancer rate is higher," he said.

Chavez' lecture is supported by the Martin Luther King, Jr./Cesar Chavez/Rosa Parks program.



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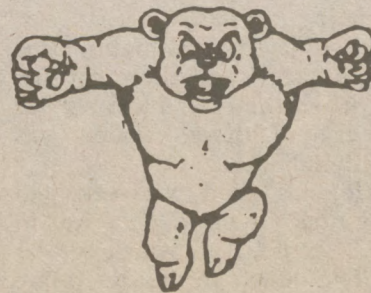
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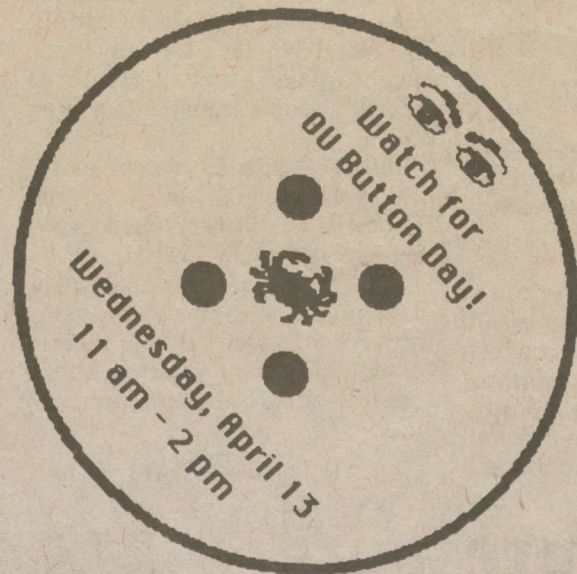
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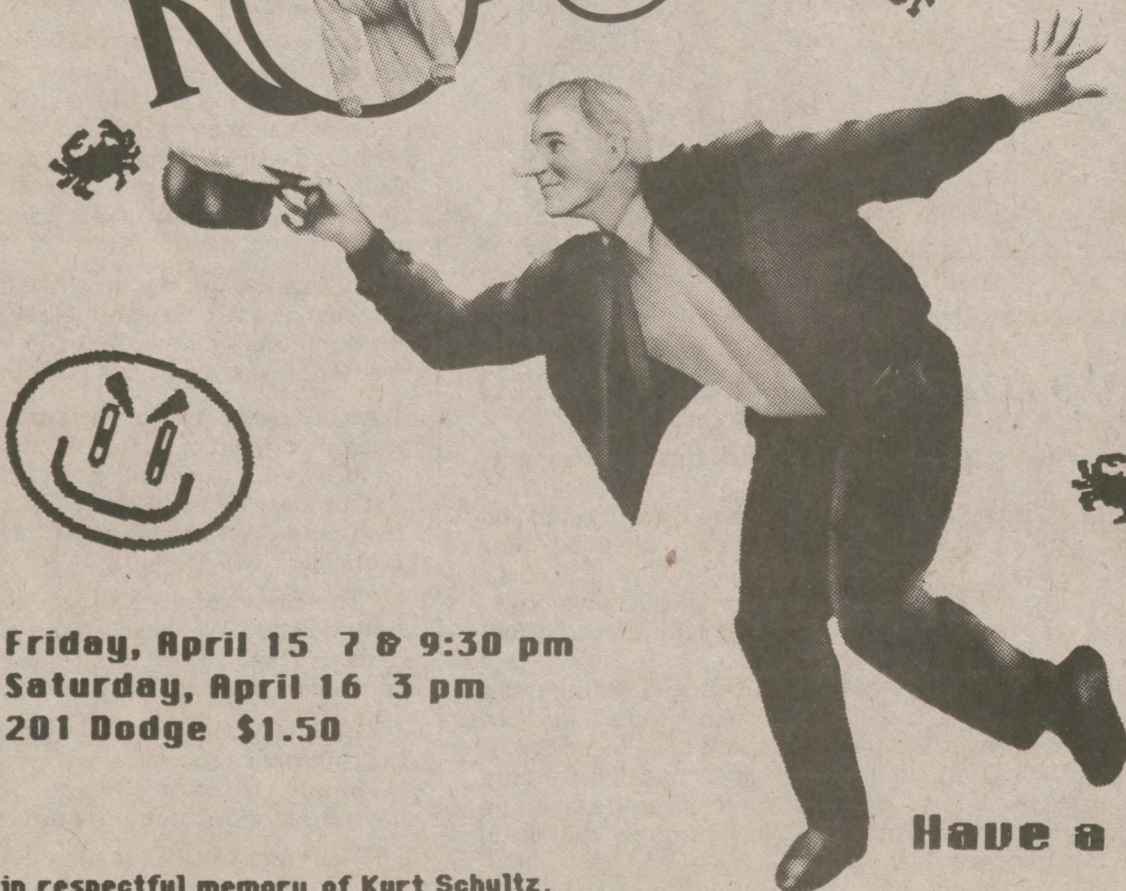
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# NEWS BRIEFS

## Keyboard stolen

An IBM keyboard worth \$250 was stolen from a Dodge Hall room April 6. Public Safety has no suspects in the case.

## Poet honors professor

Milford poet Thomas Lynch will hold a reading at Oakland April 13 to announce the Maurice Brown Collection of Contemporary Poetry.

Brown was an OU English professor for 24 years, until his death in 1985. The free public reading is at 3 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the Oakland Center.

## Trustees meet

The university board of trustees meets Wednesday, April 13 at 5 p.m. in Lounge II of the Oakland Center. The meeting is the last of the winter term.

## Spring

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Students, however, don't feel spring and summer terms are that easy. "Summer's tough," Mary Iannetta, a senior education major, said. "It cuts into your time off."

Elizabeth Winslow, a graduate student, agrees. "They're squashed," she said. "There's a lot more work but I like getting it over with." Winslow said winter and fall terms are more relaxed than spring and summer.

The eight-week spring and summer courses have certain financial advantages for professors. According to their contract with the school, professors are paid a percentage of a minimum base salary plus a percentage of their annual salary.

For example, for a four-credit course taught in spring or summer, professors receive about \$5,000. This varies, however, depending on how long they have been teaching, and whether they are professors, associate or assistant professors, or instructors.

## Corrections

An April 4 front-page story on lab conditions should have said Joseph Hickey approved of equipment after repairs made during Spring Break.

Last week's *What's Happening* column gave the wrong title for an upcoming lecture. It should have referred to *The Situation of the Palestinians in the Occupied Territories*.

## Students

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BUT FOR Khalid, whose family lives in Jerusalem, a city that is supposed to be better off than the occupied territories, things are not much better.

Khalid said his family does not allow his brothers to go out into the streets like many of their friends because his family has "much to lose."

Khalid said the shops on the east side are only open three hours a day. He said his father, who is a hotel manager, is lucky because unlike the shopkeepers who lose business, the tourists still need a place to stay, so business is not suffering too much.

KHALID CAME to the United States five years ago to get a degree in engineering, Michael four and a half years ago. Michael has earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering and is currently working on a master's in dynamic

systems and control.

Last time both Michael and Khalid went home was two summers ago.

"You really get hassled when you go home," said Khalid.

Khalid flew from the United States to Jordan and then rode a bus from Jordan to Israel. He said he did not fly an Israeli line because tickets were taxed \$300 plus an additional 20 percent the price of a ticket. The tax, according to Khalid, is a military tax, something he does not wish to support.

"When you try to cross the bridge from Jordan to Israel it takes a whole day to go 60 miles," he said.

"We're stopped and searched... You can't have electrical equipment or any books or papers of any kind. We're told only to bring a wallet with clean money because someone may have a phone number or something scratched on a used dollar."

"Americans, foreigners, it does not take them that long. For us it's

## Israel

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Cahlon said he blames the violence in Israel and the occupied territories on the leaders of both countries. He feels neither side can get what it wants, and the only possible solution is compromise.

"No one is going to get everything," said Cahlon. "Each side must say, 'We accept you,' after so many years of war."

ISRAEL WAS created in 1948 by the United Nations. Originally it

was divided into two states — one Jewish, one Arab. Israel gained control of some of the Arab state in the 1948 war, and of the occupied territories (the West Bank, Gaza Strip, etc.) after the six-day war in 1967.

Dean Purcell, associate psychology professor, is an American who's Jewish. About 10 years ago he traveled to Israel for a year where, among many places, he toured the West Bank.

"(The West Bank) looked like an Arab village with Israeli jeeps and soldiers... (It looked like a) group of

a whole day and it's very bad treatment. If I told you everything they did you would not believe me."

KHALID SAID when he was growing up he always had to carry a state ID with him. The ID, he said, was a different color than the ones issued to Israelis who live on the west side of Jerusalem.

The ID "states who you are, your age, what religion you are, even though religion should be a private thing, it says you're an Arab and that you're a second class citizen."

AS SECOND class citizens, Palestinians can't vote, are paid half or less than half that of Israelis, are restricted from entering certain areas of the country and can not sell their goods in an Israeli market, while Israeli's can sell their goods wherever they want.

"People think Israel is very democratic country and this pisses me off very bad," he said. "Israel is only very democratic with its own people — the Jews. South Africa is also very democratic among whites..."

people who lived under the governance of a foreign army."

PURCELL SAID he's not surprised by the recent violence in the occupied territories, just surprised it took so long to occur.

Purcell blames Israel's actions on "right-wing, religious Zionists" who gained control through Israel's parliamentary system. Purcell said he feels this group is giving Israel a "terrible, terrible reputation."

Purcell said he feels the only solution is for Israel to release control of the occupied territories and allow a Palestinian state to emerge.

## Trustee

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BOARD PRESIDENT Barbara Roberts Mason, a Democrat, supported Bemis. "He has excellent credentials and understands the issues at this time. He has an excellent rapport with the governor," she said.

"I think it was important to know who the governor preferred. One of the criteria, not the only one."

While the board vote may have been divided, all members agree on goals for state education, Bemis said. Referring to the vote, he said, "That's yesterday, that's over."

"We will do everything we can to make the transition smooth," Beardmore said.

AS STATE schools superintendent, Bemis will oversee 525 local school districts and work with the Education department, which oversees almost 1.6 million students.

Bemis, a lifelong Macomb County resident, began his Utica Schools career in 1960 as a junior high teacher. He then was a counselor, personnel director and in 1971, became superintendent.

He received his master's degree in guidance and counseling from the University of Michigan.

While Michigan may be gaining a state superintendent, Oakland will be losing a trustee. Bemis said he will probably start his new job in early July.

"I'm sure I'll have to leave the board of trustees," Bemis said. He started his eight-year term in 1984.

"No matter how bad they are, Grandma loves to hear the latest jokes."



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## Peace in Israel must be priority for Americans

The situation in Israel with the occupied territories is complex. With a long history of wars, this region of the world is suffering from problems that stretch beyond yesterday's newspapers. But all Americans should be aware of what Israel, a country we give billions of dollars to each year, is doing and then reevaluate whether we want to continue to support such actions.

Israel gained control of the occupied territories in the 1967 six-day war. Israel won the war, which it didn't start, and to secure its safety, continued to occupy much of the surrounding lands.

**THIS LAND IT** has occupied for more than 20 years is predominantly inhabited by Arabs, specifically Palestinians. In order to keep control over the Palestinians, Israel issues them an ID card that states the holder is a second class citizen, therefore unable to vote and restricted from entering certain areas of the country.

Khalid, an Oakland student from Jerusalem who wished to remain anonymous, said Palestinians in the occupied territories suffer numerous civil injustices. They can't build a house on their own land without a building permit, which is often denied. He said people can be detained for up to six months without a trial, and that 95 percent of all prisoners are political. Also people are expelled from their land and their homes are bulldozed for merely being suspected of being PLO members, all newspapers are censored — no free speech is permitted. The list goes on and on.

**ISRAEL SAYS** it needs to keep control over the territories for security purposes. To news agencies it has cited the threat of terrorism as a prime reason for its extensive actions. But, to counter these claims, Palestinians are quick to point out that Israel's army is superior and with its recently gained atomic weapons, the likelihood of real security threats are slim.

Some right-wing Israelis claim their people have an ancient right to the occupied territories, and land in the surrounding areas. They cite the Bible as proof of their right. But such claims are ridiculous. Going back over 1,000 years to verify a point is crazy.

**NEWS AGENCIES** have recently compared the situation in Israel with the situation in South Africa. Granted there are differences, like Israel just gained their land some 20 years ago and they are treating the land as occupied territories, not additions to their country. But these differences are small and insignificant when compared to all the civil injustices that both countries partake in.

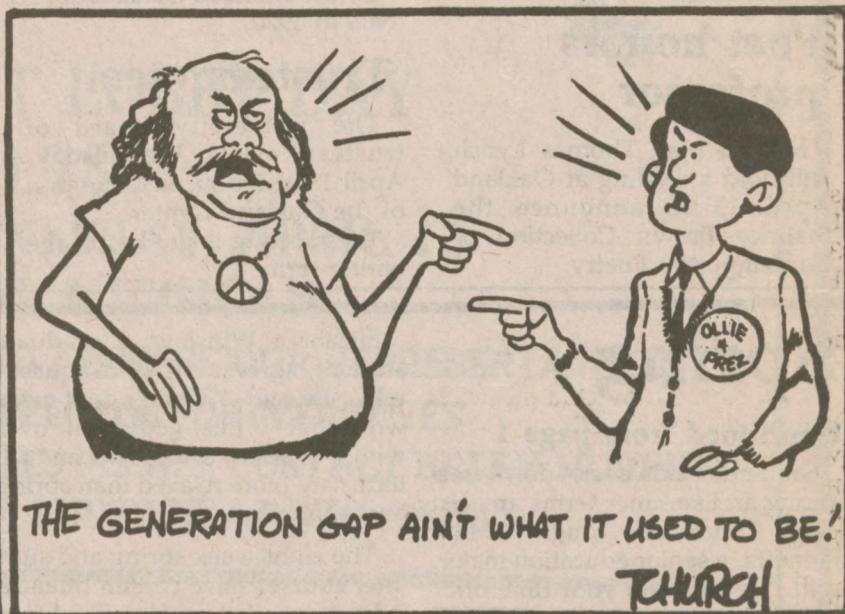
The United States is Israel's prime supporter and protector. Americans give Israel billions in aid each year. But Israel is not behaving like a diplomatic modernized country in its treatment with the people living in the occupied territories. Americans must push for peaceful negotiations between Israel and the PLO, the Palestinians' representative, and other surrounding Arab countries.

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## Senior citizens deserve respect

Many articles have been written in recent years about the treatment of senior citizens. All touch on some very valid points, quoting everything from the Bible to Ronald Reagan, but few attack the basic way in which older people are treated.

Forget the extremes. Forget the nursing home horror stories, the muggings, killings, extortions, Social Security gone awry, euthanasia, and the score of other social problems that affect older people today. Concentrate instead on one thing — how we as individuals treat senior citizens.

**NOTHING GETS** my anger to the fever pitch more than when I see older people patronized as if they were children. Sometimes older people become like children. (They may need extra care as their bodies run down, or they may become incoherent because of some mind disease.) But what gets me mad is when senior citizens that are healthy are treated as though they aren't.

The movie *Tough Guys* did a particularly good job of portraying all types of senior citizens and how they are patronized. In it Kirk Douglas and Burt Lancaster, two of the most "macho" leading men of Hollywood in their day, play two

aging train robbers finally paroled after 30 years in jail.

**DOUGLAS, WHO WAS** actually in his late 60s when the movie was made, lifts weights, jumps rope, dances to the white rap group, *The Red Hot Chili Peppers*, and even lifts Lancaster on his shoulder. The camera angles show that Douglas rarely used a stunt man.



**Nick Chiappetta**

But it also showed the other side of old age. When the characters try to round up their old gang, one can't walk, one can't hear, and still another has lost the ability to think clearly. The best line of the movie was when Douglas said, "...when did everyone get old?"

That line is enough to make the most ignorant people think about

the contact they've had with older people.

**I REMEMBER** when I was younger my grandparents were like deities, to be respected if not outright worshipped. I don't even think I thought of them as human.

Then when I was in my late teens my grandpa told me about the three times in his life that he got totally drunk. How one time he woke up and found himself sleeping upside-down on the steps of his house, without any recollection of how he got there.

Poof! Grandpa was human. He was once young. He once got himself into the same predicaments that I did.

**THEN GRANDMA** told her story of how my grandpa and her met on the Boblo Boat in 1927. She had nice legs, he could dance up a storm. Poof again! Grandma is human.

It was then that I began to see the way some of my other relatives patronized my grandparents, treating them like children, talking louder when they were around them even though it is their eyes that are bad, not their ears.

And that isn't the only incident. Two or three times a year, a story about someone who turned 100 years old is in the newspaper. One

story in particular involved a 100-year-old woman named Annie. The reporter tried to make it a very a moving and touching story and it was — from an ignorant person's standpoint.

**IN THE LAST PARAGRAPH**, the worker in the nursing home said to Annie, "I love you Annie. Do you love me?" and Annie said, "Well I don't have anything against you."

Most people would think that what Annie said was 'cute' or 'funny' as if she didn't know what she was saying. But it was really a direct and derogatory response to a woman who was unknowingly patronizing her.

**WOULD ANYONE** tell a coherent 30-year-old on his or her birthday, "I love you. Do you love me?" Of course not — mainly because any 30-year-old would probably look at someone like he or she were nuts.

The changing social attitudes toward older people is a battle that is not yet over. It begins with the most basic concept of treating people the way one wants to be treated, whether the individual is a different race, creed... or a senior citizen.

## Letters to the Editor

### Reagan has not 'strived' for Nicaraguan peace

Dear Editor,

I am responding to Thomas J. Gordon II's letter to the editor appearing in *The Oakland Post* on March 28, 1988. First of all Mr. Gordon, you referred to the Post's editorial appearing in the March 21st issue as "belittling" President Reagan's attempts to "restore and preserve peace" in Central America. I suggest that you take a closer look at your statements.

If President Reagan had the desire to "restore and preserve peace," he would not have made a contra aid proposal to be approved by Congress last February, keeping in mind that the only hope for peace at the time was seen within the Arias Peace Accord. (A peace plan that has created more concessions by the Sandinistas than the Contras ever have.)

Furthermore, President Reagan is hardly striving for peace by supporting what he calls "freedom fighters." This terrorist organization targets non-combatant civilians working in hospitals, schools and human development centers, where, for example, nurses have been gang raped and murdered by contra soldiers. This information has been testified in the World Court by religious and social

workers of foreign citizenship, not aligned with either side. Such acts have been reported by Americas Watch and other foreign organizations making observations within the region. These groups have also summarized that most abuses of human rights were committed by Contras. You should also note that the Contras have violated both United States laws and International laws in their war activities. President Reagan's support for the Contras is a strife for peace?

Lastly, there is no comparison between the freedom fighters 212 years ago and the so-called "freedom fighters" of Nicaragua today. Your statement is as absurd as comparing oranges to apples. The Contras are a terrorist group and as you can see, do not uphold the traditional values of securing democracy that we, as Americans believe.

Thomas T. Stevens

### Students say coach unfairly ordered them off soccer field

Dear Editor,

On the afternoon of April 4, 1988 a group of Oakland students and alumni were participating in a small game of soccer on one of the lower practice fields. After 15 minutes, we were told by the Oakland University Public Safety Department that

Coach Gary Parsons wanted us removed from the practice field because we were unauthorized to use the field.

Is it not true that students attending Oakland University pay a general service fee which goes to the Athletic Department for maintenance and upkeep of the fields and Lepley Sports Center? Does this not give us ample reason to use the fields since we do pay to maintain them?

Assuming these fields are unable to be used for student use, what is the rational which generates such a policy? In addition, are there other fields available for student use? If there is, where are they?

Respectfully,  
Michael Pachuta, student  
John Zielke, University Congress member

### Newspapers must not reword quotes

Dear Editor,

As a member of CSE 171 and a participant in the article concerning computer lab conditions, I would like to draw your attention to an inaccuracy to that particular story. I was not only misquoted, but in my opinion the author totally misrepresented my statement. If he were to refer to his notes, if he did indeed take notes of any value, my statement was as follows:

"I did not agree with the petition in regards to the degree of consequence it was originally intended for (i.e. complete closing of the computer science lab), but as a result it seems that repairs were made. Consequently, most of the computers and bread boards are functioning properly now."

Finally, with regards to the fabrication of my statement in the original article. Accuracy in journalism, no matter what level of the paper, must be a priority. Rewording quotes or simply editing them to fit a story in the "real world" would definitely result in the questioning of the newspaper's ethics as it also should on this campus paper.

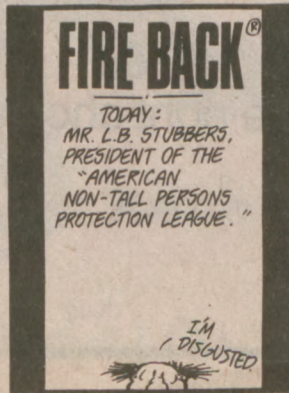
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### Letters to the Editor

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### BLOOM COUNTY



## What's Happening

**Pontiac Oakland Symphony:** The symphony and the Oakland University Chorus will perform at 3 p.m. April 10 at Pontiac Central High School.  
Call 370-3013 for ticket information.

**The Wonderful World of Entertainment:** Meadow Brook Estate will present a spring concert at 8 p.m. April 14 and 15 and at 8 and 3 p.m. April 16 in Varner Recital Hall.  
Call 370-3013 for ticket information.

**Personal Safety Awareness:** The Woman of Oakland University will sponsor a discussion by Mel Gilroy, assistant director of Public Safety. He will cover practical tips and suggestions on personal safety. The discussion will be held from noon to 1 p.m. April 13 in rooms 128-130 Oakland Center.

**Ice Cream Social:** Campus Ministries will sponsor the event from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 13 outside the Iron Kettle.  
The event will be free to the public.

**Woman's Survival Center:** United Way opened the center for working parents on Baldwin Avenue in Pontiac.  
The center is open from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.  
For more information call the center at 338-4488.

**How to Survive Your Kids:** William Beaumont Hospital, Troy will sponsor parenting expert, Dr. Leonard Kaplan from 7:45 to 9:30 p.m. April 12 at Adlai Stevenson High School in Sterling Heights.  
The family education program will help parents identify realistic and unrealistic expectations placed on today's children.  
Pre-registration is required. For more information call Beaumont, Troy's Department of Education at 828-5589.

**Peter and the Wolf:** With the score performed live on synthesizer, the production will include actors, giant puppets and a mechanical wolf.  
The show will be at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. April 16 at the Detroit Youtheatre in the Detroit Institute of Arts.  
Call 832-2730 for ticket information.



The Oakland Post/ Scott Brown  
Edward Jackman has been on the college circuit since 1984.

## Mainstage ends season with televised show

### Comedian packs in audience

By FLORI ROSENBERG  
Features Editor

Comedian Edward Jackman packed the Crockery last Thursday for the last Mainstage of the season. He also brought a NBC camera crew to tape the performance.

The footage will be used in new TV show, *Funny People*, which will feature brief profiles of comedians. Jackman's jokes and juggling were well received by the audience.

He started the show with magic—the ring trick. He dramatically spun one plastic ring on top of two others, then yanked it through their center.

The audience cheered. "Boy, you guys don't get out much," Jackman said.

**JACKMAN MOVED** on to juggling routines, including one with seven balls, which he called one of his most challenging stunts. He encouraged people to take pictures. "When you take the pictures make sure the flash goes off right in my eyes, that way I can juggle the little blue dots, too."

He admitted that while he thinks

juggling seven balls is difficult, the act was not well received the first time he did it at the University of California-Los Angeles. "Someone said, 'So what, Dude. Try juggling bowling balls or kittens.'"

However, Jackman explained, kittens are a problem for jugglers because they tend to hold on.

Instead, he showed the audience a routine with a bowling ball, machete and an apple. The bowling bowl had no holes; Jackman explained that after his performance at Oral Roberts University they healed up.

**OTHER ROUTINES** involved variations on the norm. In one Jackman juggled two balls while solving a Rubik's Cube. "This may take a while," he warned.

Between juggling acts Jackman told the audience about himself. He relayed one story about yearning for a Slip and Slide game when he was a little boy. "Mom wanted us to use a hose on the sidewalk—it does get slippery after the sixth kid," he said.

For another segment of the show, he worked to get others actively in-

volved in the action. This ranged from tossing clubs with two audience members at the same time to giving juggling lessons.

Jackman's pupil was a visiting high school senior, Scott. Jackman complained that Scott made him feel old. "I'm losing hair so fast that

**"People always expect danger. No one at the ballet says 'Light your tights on fire!'"**

Edward Jackman  
Mainstage Performer

when I shower my neighbor's drain plugs up," he said.

**FOR THE finale**, Jackman balanced a full-size bicycle on his forehead while juggling three tennis racquets. He said the stunt satisfied audience demand for thrills in a juggling act. "People always expect

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## Credit card companies pitch plastic to student market

By CAROL DONETH  
Staff Writer

It's a material world out there, and some students are already paying for it.

Credit card companies are recruiting students nationwide on campuses and offering special incentives for applying.

At Oakland last month, both AT&T and Citibank were offering beach towels and M&Ms in exchange for signatures on their applications.

Junior Derek Farr said the free towel was worth applying to him.

"College students are a terrific target market for credit card companies," said Nancy Leahy, education coordinator at Credit Counseling Centers, Inc., a financial planning company.

**HOWEVER**, THE differences between student cards and most others are usually minimal except

for the credit limit, according to Ann Padgett, spokesperson for Citibank.

With a Citibank Visa, for example, students would be assigned a limit between \$500 to 800. Someone who is employed full time might be able to spend up to \$1,300.

The renewal fee is usually the same for all card holders (\$20 at Citibank, for example) and is normally renewed each year, Padgett said.

The interest rate specified for each card must legally be the same for all customers, but will vary with each banking institution, said Rick French, of Comerica.

A Virginia company, Bankcard Holders of America, offers a list of banks charging less than 15 percent on their Visa and MasterCard accounts, as well as a list of banks that offer no annual fee. Each list costs \$1.50 and can be obtained by writing them at 460 Spring Park

Place, Suite 1000, Herndon, Virginia 22070.

**AS FOR** the requirements for obtaining a card, most banks and department stores say they evaluate each applicant individually; there are no set qualifications.

At the university's credit union however, applicants must be a member of the association and should be employed at least part time, said spokesperson John Savio.

Most companies, including Oakland's credit union, Comerica and Citibank, do not normally require a co-signer (such as parents), but rely on the student's merits, said Savio.

As people become more comfortable with "plastic money," businesses are finding more ways for them to use it, like the new "phone card" offered by companies such as AT&T and Sprint.

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Courtesy of Robert Solomon and Associates  
Sean Penn and Robert Duvall star in *Colors*.

## 'Colors' offers realistic view of gang violence

By MARC MORANIEC  
Staff Writer

### Movie Review

New movie *Colors* takes a close look at gangs in Los Angeles today.

The movie, directed by Dennis Hopper, stars Sean Penn and Robert Duvall.

Penn plays Danny McGavin, a young, tough cop eager to clean up the streets. His street name is Pac-Man because he "gobbles up" the criminals.

Duvall plays Bob Hodges, an older cop who uses reason on gang members rather than his billy club.

Pac-Man and Hodges are teamed together on the C.R.A.S.H. (Community Resources Against Street Hoodlums) unit.

**THE VIOLENCE** begins when an 11-year-old boy, Robert Craig, is gunned down by a passing van full of gang members. Rocket, the killer, yells "Hey blood" to Craig before depositing a bullet in the boy's chest.

Retaliation after retaliation follows, showing clearly how senseless the killings in gang fights are.

During Craig's funeral service, a passing car unloads several rounds of ammunition towards the mourners in prayer.

Meanwhile Pac-Man meets Louisa Lopez, played by Maria Conchita Alonso. Their relationship complicates the situation because Lopez is a gang family member.

**STREET NAMES** or nicknames are common in *Colors*. No matter what the person's name is, everybody is referred to as

"Holmes" at some point in the movie. High Top, T-Bone, Dog Man, Shooter, Spooky, Frog, and Dr. Feelgood are some examples of gang street names used.

The movie ends with a lot of people getting killed. But that was the thrust of the film. A great twisting, spine tingling plot isn't what *Colors* is meant to be.

Instead, the idea is to realistically show gang life in Los Angeles. That is done very effectively throughout the movie.

A good example of this is when a gang leader's little brother wants to join the action for the final revenge ambush. The older brother initiates his sibling by having him beat up unmercifully by four other gang members. He wants to show his brother can take the punishment.

*Colors*, although it doesn't deal with the happiest of subjects, does a good job in portraying reality. The film isn't Academy material but is definitely worth a look.

**Colors**

Rated: "R"

Orion Pictures Corporation

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A Dennis Hopper Film

Starring: Sean Penn, Robert Duvall, Maria Conchita Alonso

## Stress assessment serves as valuable tool

Most of us have an idea of what "stress" means.

Typically this involves negative connotations that suggest stress is always bad. But understanding stress and recognizing its manifestations and the alterations it produces within our bodies can help us learn how to control it and even make it work for us.

In essence, stress is the body's physical, mental and chemical reactions to situations that frighten, endanger, anger, excite or stimulate an individual.

It is a response—initially generalized and adaptive—that prepares the body to react and protect itself from harm. It is distinguished from the cause of stress which can be good or bad.

**STRESSORS** THAT are too overwhelming have a tendency to break down the adaptive response and lead to what we commonly recognize as disorders of stress, including a variety of mental, emotional, spiritual and physical problems.

To illustrate the generalized adaptive stress response, consider the situation of a man hiking in the woods who encounters a bear. This threat triggers chemical changes in the brain that have far-reaching effects on "target" sites in the body, especially the heart, lungs, muscles and liver. Alertness and strength increases, and all senses become more keen, while reactions become faster and more efficient. Sugar is released into the blood to provide energy, enabling the stressed individual to "fight or flee" the source of stress.

It is clear how the stress



Dr. Pat Rodgers

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(Dr. Pat Rodgers and Susan Hayden, RN, can be found at Graham Health Center).



Susan Hayden

response is helpful in this case, perhaps lifesaving.

Few stressors are this dramatic, or require the array of adaptations just described to cope with them. For instance, anxiety over an important test may induce a stress response. Only parts of the generalized reaction are realistically useful in such a case, and then only when anxiety is not too excessive: increased alertness aids awareness, learning and concentration.

Conversely, the management of some other stressors bears little to no relationship to this generalized response—graduation, your first big job, an impending marriage.

**THE POINT** is this: the body's repertoire for responding to stressful events, though usually beneficial, is not perfect. Recognizing and managing the kind and amount of stress, developing alternative coping skills and learning relaxation

techniques are all necessary if we are to be able to pick up where the body's inborn wisdom leaves off.

Perhaps the most widely utilized tool for assessing your stress is a life change index known as the Social Readjustment Rating Scale.

Life events are ranked according to the extent of adaptation life changes demand of an individual, and the composite serves to predict future risk of illness based on this value.

**ALL ASSESSMENT** involves a personal inventory of life events, personal values, and personality traits. For a general idea, ask yourself the following:

1. Do you anger easily? Do minor problems easily upset you?
2. Do you have trouble getting along with others?
3. Is it hard to find pleasure and purpose in your life?

# Spring fashion places emphasis on comfort, bright colors

By MARY JO PILARSKI  
Staff Writer

Comfort and bright colors are the biggest fashions for spring this year, according to students and local clothing stores.

Julie Gifford, junior, said she believes the sailor style is becoming very popular, as long as it's comfortable. Her guesses for spring designs are a lot of khaki, pink, white, cottons and big shorts.

"I think spring is the time to wear bright colors," said junior Darrin Benzi. One of the newest fashions he's noticed is the spandex workout attire, he said.

ACCORDING TO Diane Tesone, associate manager for Casual Corner in the Meadowbrook Village Mall, fushia, bright purple and bold

stripes are the style for this season. "Pastels are passe," Tesone said. "The bright vivid colors are in for spring."

Knits are also popular because they are comfortable, cool and easy to care for, she added.

Bob Osmun and Tom MacDonald, store managers for Osmuns in Meadowbrook Village Mall, agree that boldness is best but said they still have a lot of bright pastel colors. One of their best sellers is their B.D. Baggies cotton shirt in the slightly darker pastel shades.

Osmun said oversize casual clothing is the style for men this season. "The whole trend is really loosening up," he said. Osmun estimated that 90 percent of men's

slacks are pleated, and most are cotton with baggy legs and ankle cuffs.

SPRING IS affecting the business world too, according to Joy Rock, assistant manager of Caren Charles of Meadowbrook Village Mall. Rock said that shorter skirts with shorter jackets are the latest styles in women's suits, and olive green and peach are popular colors.

Styles seem to change according to season, but not all of them become fads.

Dave Crane, senior, said consumers are the ones who decide fashion. "The stores can put stuff out, but if the kids don't like it, they're not going to buy it."

"I think people create their own fads," agreed Benzi, "they just express themselves in fashion."

## Jackman

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danger. No one at the ballet says "Light your tights on fire!"

After, Jackman extended the show with more audience involvement. First he did a short comedy routine with two students. He then juggled and did a forward handspring over another student who laid

on the floor of the stage.

The performance received a standing ovation.

"I thought he was great. I liked the juggling," said freshman Mike Tumeay after the show.

"It was hilarious," agreed Oakland guest, Jon Sheppard.

"Everybody loves him," said Hank Barr, a producer of *Funny People*.

HE EXPLAINED that Jackman performed on TV show *George Schlatter Comedy Club* a year ago.

"He was so received so well we decided we needed him for other projects," said Barr.

The crew will follow Jackman for 11 days of his tour. The show is tentatively scheduled to air in late July and will be one of six.

Jackman said he's excited about the show. "If it goes the worst, they'll do a spot on me. At best, I'll be part of the show," he said. He explained that he may be chosen as a correspondent, covering college comedy.

## Credit

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THESE CARDS allow users to charge calls made from one telephone to another by having the cost added to their monthly telephone bill.

For some students, the convenience of credit cards can lead to problems.

"The credit card is not the problem, it's the mismanagement of the cards," said Leahy. "The majority of college students are not willingly going to make a mess of their credit. They just get out of school and see all those things to buy and say, 'I just graduated—I deserve it.'"

SOME STUDENTS, like senior Sandy Gray, are hesitant about taking the credit card plunge. "I'm so

far in debt right now I won't even try to get a credit card," she said.

CCCI recommends a student's total installment obligations, including car payments, not exceed 20 percent of net pay.



The Oakland Post/Ralph Echtenaw

## Spring cleaning

Mindy Adams helps with Clean Up Day, a joint effort by students and faculty to clear litter off the campus. The group worked throughout the afternoon last Friday.

## Interfaith Holocaust Memorial planned

By BETH FIELDING  
Staff Writer

Nearly 50 years ago, millions of Jews were killed during the Nazi reign in Europe, and today, the first Oakland University Interfaith Holocaust Observance will be held in the Oakland Center.

The observance, which begins at noon, will feature guest speaker James Lyons of the Ecumenical Institute for Jewish-Christian Studies. The service will include contemporary readings, a candle lighting by six Oakland students and two prayers: the El Maleh Rachamim (Oh God Full of Compassion), and the Kaddish, a prayer said at the end of a service in memory of the dead.

BOTH PRAYERS will be read in their original language, Aramaic and then in English.

According to Sandy Loeffler, director of Oakland's extension chapter of the Wayne State University Hillel Jewish Students Organization, this is the first interfaith observance held at Oakland.

The ceremony will take place during the week recognized by the Jewish calendar as a time to remember the Holocaust.

"I hope to see the observance become an annual event," said Loeffler.

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## I thought it would be fun

Our beloved sports editor/columnist Ralph Echtenaw and I kicked off our golf seasons last week at Katke-Cousins. I hadn't played golf in 1988. In fact, I hadn't even swung a club since last September.

I thought it would be fun, but I should have known better. Playing a course like KC after six inactive months is a little like trying to understand (let alone pass) a calculus final without going to class all semester.

I drove to the golf course and kept telling myself, "Don't worry, just keep your head down, watch the ball, swing easy and relax. Heck, it'll be easy."

## Hitting 40-yard "worm burners"

My rationalization, which I use every spring, didn't work. It was obvious when my first tee shot amounted to a ground ball to shortstop. My other shots on the first hole weren't much better. Ralph and I walked to the second tee (I recorded an eight on the first hole) I looked on the bright side: I hadn't lost a ball yet. Of course it's hard to lose one when you're hitting 40-yard "worm burners."

Ralph wasn't fairing any better. I think after the first hole we were thinking about better places we could be...like home sleeping.

## I burned the scorecard

The second hole was worse. I was really getting pissed off. I don't remember what I scored (I burned the scorecard) but it wasn't less than eight.

As our round wore on, and believe me, it wore on, I hit a few good shots. If you've ever played KC, you can understand why I was astonished at not losing any balls. Katke-Cousins is like the Earth, three-quarters of its surface is covered by water. (Well, maybe I'm exaggerating a little.)

## It has a lot of water and thick woods

Just opened April 1, it was in better condition than many courses I've played in July and August.

It has a lot of water and thick woods. Both of which make the course beautiful, but also deadly to a hack like me.

It was on one of the many "water" holes that I hit my shot of the day. I hit a low liner off the tee. About four inches off the ground, the ball skimmed across a water hazard like a flat stone and landed on the other side in the fairway.

## It was the last time I smiled

I looked at Ralph and he looked at me. We just laughed. Unfortunately, except for a few stupid jokes Ralph and I exchanged, it was the last time I smiled before we left KC.

My feelings changed when I sat down in my Econ class that afternoon. As the prof somnambulated us with one of his fascinating lectures that had us on the edges of our seats, my mind drifted back to KC.

## Dumping my sticks on I-75

I thought about the round. What I did wrong (getting out of bed that morning), what I did right (nothing).

When my 4 p.m. class was dismissed early, I found myself with some time on my hands and went to the driving range. So much for dumping my sticks on I-75.

At the driving range, everything was great. My swing was smooth, my concentration unbroken, my intensity intense. So I've decided, like 1,000 times before, to give golf another chance.

## Now let's get some beer

Next time, I'll get up early, go to the range and hit a bucket of balls. Yeh, I won't drink anymore either so I won't have a hangover.

I'll take every round one shot at a time. I won't let a bad shot on the first tee ruin the whole day. Yeah, great, now let's go get some beer.

# "Boys of Summer" split twinbill

## Wayne State coach impressed with new, improved Pioneers

By DAVID HOGG  
Sports Writer

The baseball team opened up their GLIAC schedule with a pair of dramatic games against Wayne State University Saturday.

In the opener, Oakland lost a tough 5-4 decision, but rallied for a 3-2 win in the nightcap.

In the first game, the Pioneers fell behind 1-0 on a first-inning Jim Schwanz home run off starter Pat Sadowski, but rallied with three second inning runs to make it 3-1. Dave Szpak led off the inning with a walk, then scored on Rob Alvin's double. A walk to Dennis Milobar and an infield single by Dave Walczyk loaded the bases. An RBI single by Damon Salisbury and a groundout by Tim Bradley drove in Alvin and Milobar.

The Pioneers almost added another run, but pinch-runner Randy Bailey was thrown out at the plate after a Bill Franzen fly-out.

Wayne tied the score in the third. With the bases loaded and no outs, Tom Zerona let a groundball get by him, and two runs scored.

The game stayed tied until the fifth, when Wayne took the lead on a Sadowski wild pitch that scored Tyrone Gaines with what proved to be the winning run.

Oakland had the tying run at third in both the sixth and seventh innings, but were unable to drive him in. Chris Kalafut got the win for Wayne State, with Terry Stone getting a save. Sadowski was the loser, dropping his record to 0-2. The loss was the sixth straight for Oakland.

The nightcap was won on the strength of Oakland's defense and Scott Tucker's

right arm. Tucker pitched six innings of shutout ball, aided by four Oakland double plays. Oakland scored a run in the first inning, coming on a bases-loaded wild pitch by Ken West.

The game remained 1-0 into the fifth, when Oakland broke through again. With two outs, Szpak and Alvin ripped back-to-back doubles, followed by a Milobar single to make the score 3-0.

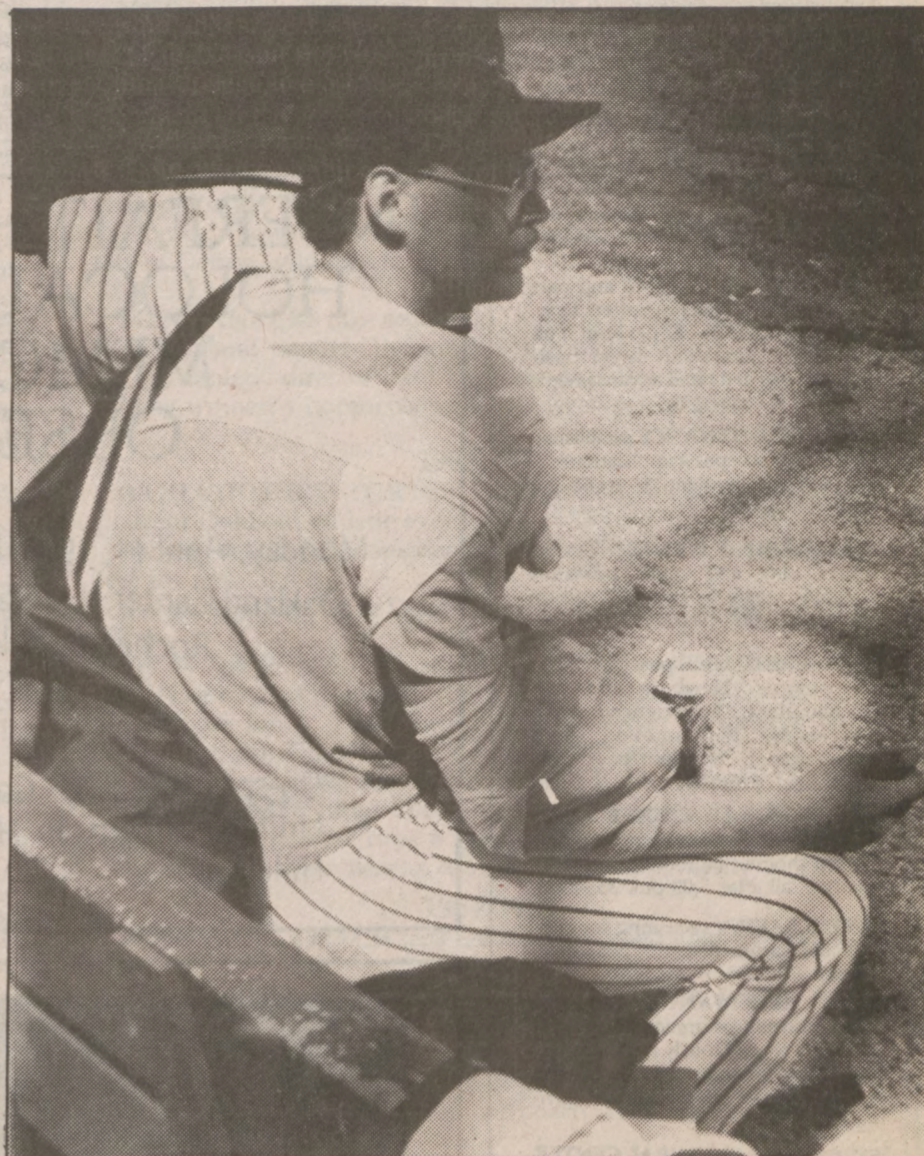
Tucker had given up only six hits through six innings, but struggled in the seventh. With two outs, the Tartars loaded the bases, then scored two runs on a single. Jeff Dorfman came in to relieve Tucker.

Dorfman walked Dave Womble to load the bases, but got the next batter to fly out and end the game. The win improved Tucker's record to 1-1. Dorfman picked up his first save, and West took the loss.

"We just needed one win under our belts to get going," said Tucker. Fellow pitcher Chris Foster agreed. "To be 1-1 after our first two league games is a big improvement over last year. The first game was a heartbreaker, but the second one helped a lot." Wayne Coach Angelo Gust said, "(The Pioneers are) much improved. They are more enthusiastic, have a better attitude, and most of all, have better talent. We had three of four chances to put them away (in the second game), but just couldn't do it."

April 8 the Pioneers dropped a doubleheader to the Northmen of Northwood Institute.

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Pioneer Duane Moore ices his shoulder and elbow after going seven innings and giving up two runs in the team's loss last Friday to Northwood.

## Netters tear up Alma sans number-one player Martin

By RALPH ECHTINAW  
Sports Editor

The men's tennis team has already won as many meets as it did all last year, one.

In their first meet of the season the netters were all over Alma College like a bad rash.

Beating Alma 9-0 without number-one Pioneer Rob Martin, out with a sprained ankle, the netters took all nine decisions in two sets.

## "Last year Oakland would have lost to Alma."

Jim Pinchoff, tennis coach

"Last year Oakland would have lost to Alma," said Pioneer coach Jim Pinchoff. "The difference between last year's team and this year's team is drastic."

Even more impressive, according to Pinchoff, was that the team could play so well outdoors after doing most of their practicing indoors. "When you go from indoors to outdoors there are a lot of things that are different," he said, citing sunshine, wind and perceptual differences.

"Some players like to play indoors and are better indoors," said Pinchoff. "Some players like to play outdoors and are better outdoors."

Pinchoff said Martin, Rick Cummins and

Mike Corey are his best outdoor players, while Paul Vrzal and Mike Graff play better indoors.

Last year's number-three player Phil Dawson, this year's number seven, played in place of the injured Martin.

Pinchoff said he expected Martin to be back for the team's April 9 meet against Eastern Michigan University. "It was just one of those things that he hurt himself," Pinchoff said. "He could just as easily have twisted his ankle walking down the stairs to practice."

Pinchoff said about Eastern, "I don't know anything about their ability," and "I think that's almost a benefit not to know." He said that if his players knew Eastern was a very good team they might take the attitude that they need only just make a good showing and not worry about winning. "Not knowing what to expect I think they expect to win," said Pinchoff.

Last year the Pioneers lost to Eastern 7-2.

The Alma meet results follow:

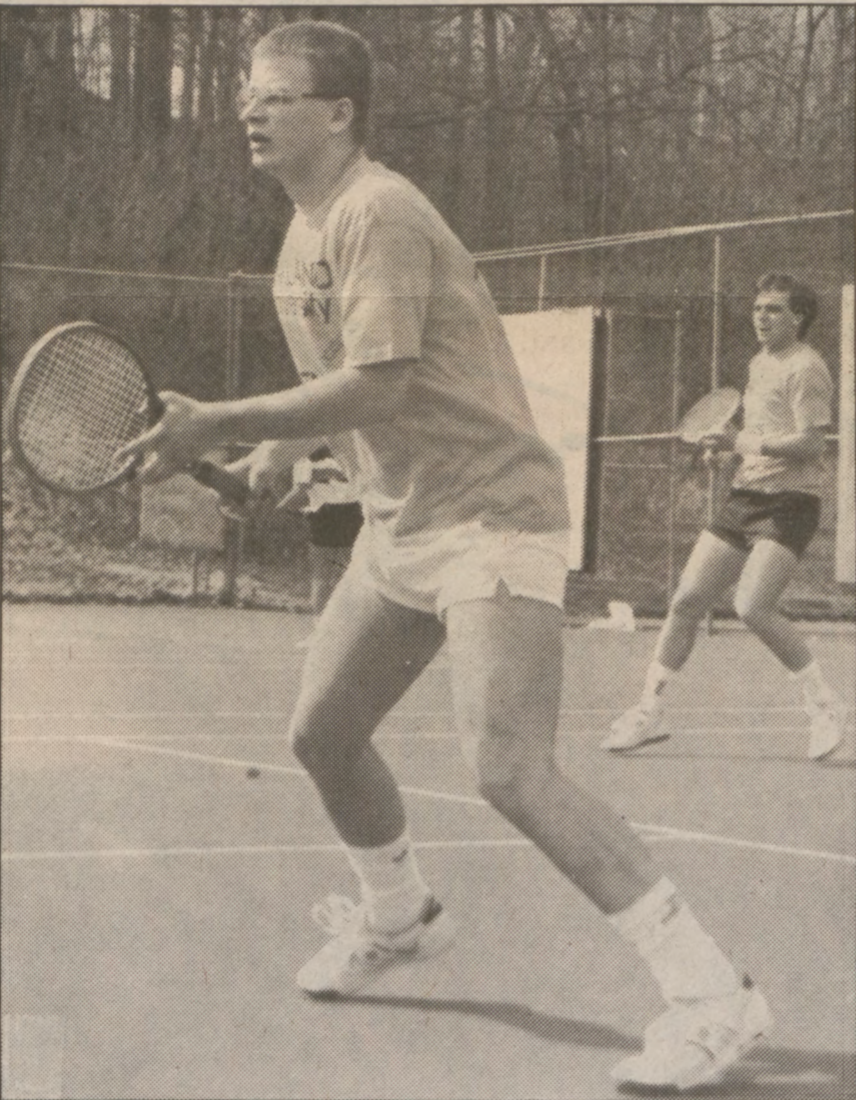
**Number-one singles:** Norum beat Cannon, 6-4, 6-0.

**Number-two singles:** Corey beat Tettersgo, 6-1, 6-2.

**Number-three singles:** Vrzal beat Garlick, 6-2, 6-4.

**Number-four singles:** Graff beat Jerome, 6-2, 6-1.

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Rick Cummins (foreground) and Paul Vrzal (right) won their doubles match 6-4, 6-3 in the netters' 9-0 victory over Alma College April 6.

## Recruiting a lot of hard work for coaches

### Kampe once stood up by future Ferris star he was recruiting

By TOM COOK  
Sports Writer

Men's basketball coach Greg Kampe hoped for one last chance to talk with Marcus Kennedy.

Now a star sophomore hoopster for Ferris State University, Kennedy had told Kampe two years ago that he would attend Oakland.

Kampe and his assistant coach Bob Lees drove down to Detroit for one last visit with Kennedy who said he would be at home for the meeting. After waiting one and a half hours on the front porch with Kennedy's grandfather the two finally left, stood up by the future Ferris star.

## "Good players win. A mule has never won the Kentucky Derby."

Greg Kampe, hoop coach

"We just turned around and walked away from the best big man in our league," said Kampe.

Kampe said he felt that if Kennedy could neither keep an appointment or let him know he couldn't make it, then he's not the type of player Kampe wants representing Oakland.

So it sometimes goes in the college recruiting war.

"I spend about 60 percent of my life recruiting," said Kampe.

"That's the heartbeat of your program."

One of the factors that makes recruiting difficult, according to soccer coach Gary Parsons, is that good players usually have more than one offer.

"It has to do with them picking us too," he said. "Certainly the good player has all the cards in his favor."

Volleyball coach Bob Hurdle said, "Recruiting is the hardest and most demanding thing for a coach to do. It's so time consuming it's unbelievable."

Hurdle doesn't have the luxury of having an assistant to help him recruit. He recruits during the winter and said he sees five to 10 matches a week. He travels throughout Michigan, Indiana and Illinois looking for players.

Hurdle said he feels Oakland is the easiest school in the conference to recruit a player to. He said it's largely due to the outstanding academics and excellent location of the school.

Bob Taylor and his assistant Shawn Clemons do all the recruiting for the women's basketball team. Taylor and Clemons look at an estimated 1,000 women each year.

"We try to get the best athlete," Taylor said. "We tell them when we're recruiting that they will probably be guarding someone bigger than them."

If possible, Taylor said, he likes to get his players from Michigan schools. "I try to go in the state," he said. "I'm from Michigan and I have pride in Michigan. I think you should look in your own backyard."

Taylor described himself as low key when it comes to recruiting. "I don't want to bring a player in just so they can say they've been here. We try to get the best player, the best student, the best person we can get."

Kampe said he takes pride in not only having excellent athletes but good students as well. "We want a player who fits the Oakland mold," he said. "We want someone who is going to be able to survive academically and socially at our school."

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Mark VanderMey won Division I All-American honors in the 100-yard breaststroke at Division I nationals last week.

## VanderMey gets Div. I All American at nationals

By RALPH ECHTINAW  
Sports Editor

Pioneer tanker Mark VanderMey has another accolade to stuff into his already heavy sack of honors.

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## Headache

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The coaches all agreed that recruiting is harder for a Division II school like Oakland as opposed to Division I schools. In Michigan the University of Michigan and Michigan State University naturally attract most of the best athletes available.

According to diving coach Don Mason the odds in recruiting are not good. He contacts between 40 and 50 divers annually hoping to land two or three. Mason said he wants to recruit Division I caliber divers. "We don't want the project that's going to take us four years," he said.

Recruiting is a never ending cycle. As soon as one season is finished a coach tries to sign players for the next. Some coaches, like men's hoop assistant Mark Coffman, do little else but recruit.

Signing a player is a long process. After initially watching a player perform the coach makes an evaluation. If interested he proceeds with a series of phone calls and letters. An occasional visit to a player's home may also be in order.

All this in hope that a player will choose Oakland as one of the five schools he or she is allowed to visit. If one does choose to visit Oakland

he or she is allowed to stay on campus up to 48 hours. During that time they are taken on a tour of the campus by the coach, shown videotapes about the school, and so on.

Kampe and his assistants, Lees and Coffman, look at over 5,000 kids every summer. They look at these players not for the upcoming year, but for the team two years away. They quickly narrow the 5,000 down to 2,000. Of that number Kampe hopes to land somewhere between one and four players.

**"We don't want the project that's going to take us four years."**

**Don Mason, diving coach**

When assessing a player, Kampe said he looks at three things: Shooting ability, running and jumping ability and intensity. A player needs to possess two of the three for Kampe to be interested.

On a rare occasion luck plays more of a role than extensive recruiting.

One of Kampe's close friends is an assistant coach for the Naval Academy's hoop team. He told Kampe of a player who wished to

leave the school. The two sides worked together and that player now plays for the Pioneers. His name is Brian Gregory.

Gregory made a mockery of past Pioneer assist records last season, breaking the school career assist record in one season.

"I could do this 365 days a year, 24 hours a day and it wouldn't be enough," said Kampe about recruiting.

"It's the toughest thing to do, but it's also the most important part of the program," said Hurdle.

"I think if you asked any coach if he could give up any task in coaching it would be recruiting," Mason said. "It's not the most rewarding part of the job."

Taylor said the task has its ups and downs. "I like meeting coaches, parents and kids but I don't enjoy telling kids they won't get a scholarship at Oakland." Oakland doesn't spend as much money on athletics as some other conference schools like Ferris do.

That means Oakland coaches have a more difficult time signing talented recruits from the standpoint that they cannot offer as much scholarship money as other schools.

"Good players win," said Kampe. "A mule has never won the Kentucky Derby."

## Baseball

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In the opener, Duane Moore only gave up two runs on four hits, but Oakland lost 2-1 anyway. The only Pioneer run came in the fourth when a Szpak sacrifice fly scored Mike Gunn from third. The run made the score 1-1, but a Brian Miklosovic single in the fifth drove in the winning run for Northwood.

Oakland had the tying run on third with one out in the seventh, but Chris Takemoto popped out and pinch-hitter Tony Mosely fanned to end the game.

In the second game, the Northmen pounded out 11 hits en route to a 9-2 pounding of the Pioneers.

Scott Fenner, Dave Kalist and John Jacoby all gave up runs on the mound for Oakland. The Pioneer's only bright spot was rightfielder Franzen, who had both Oakland RBIs.

Tuesday, Oakland lost a pair of games to Division I rival University of Detroit. The Titans squeaked by Oakland 3-2 in the opener before shutting them out, behind a Mike Gabriele three-hitter, 6-0 in the second game. Sadowski took the loss in the opener for the Pioneers and Foster was the victim in the nightcap.

VanderMey to Indianapolis for the event.

VanderMey was the only Division II swimmer to compete in the meet. Hovland's last athlete to win Division I honors was Karen Enneking in 1979 in the 50-yard breaststroke.

**"It's a credit to (VanderMey) how far he's come."**

**Pete Hovland**

Hovland said VanderMey has a slim chance to make the U.S. Olympic team this year and will begin training for Olympic trials in May at Kenyon College in Ohio. Training along with him will be teammates Jim Surowiec, Eric Strom, Hilton Woods and Nancy Schermer.

## Nationals

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VanderMey placed first in the consolation final for 100-yard breaststroke (55.01) at Division I nationals, earning Division I honorable mention All-American status for the second year in a row.

Last year VanderMey received the same award for the 100- and 200-yard breaststrokes.

The time set an OU record in the event and was a personal high for VanderMey. He swam the same event April 8 to qualify for the consolation final, clocking a 55.78. At Division II nationals last month he got a 55.17.

The first place finisher in the 100 breaststroke clocked a time of 53.88.

"It's a credit to him how far he's come," said Pioneer coach Pete Hovland, who traveled with

## Oakland sports history

1982-1983:

**SEMESTER STARTS** without athletic director Corey Van Fleet, who resigned over the summer.

New floor installed in Lepley gym. Cost: more than \$30,000. New volleyball coach Bob Hurdle replaces Mike Hatch. Hurdle had a 71-30 record at Bloomfield Hills Andover High School.

Fencing Society of Oakland University forms under adviser and coach Paul Franklin.

Wrestling team finishes second in GLIAC. Places 19th of 76 in nationals.

Dave Capone, psychology major, wins Region Seven Ping-Pong Championship at the University of Toledo.

**WRESTLING COACH** Jack Gebauer named GLIAC coach of the year.

Women's hoop team wins GLIAC for the second year in a row. "Our players...got dirty and nasty," said coach Dewayne Jones.

The Swinging Swines beat the Enforcers for the floor hockey championship.

Women's hoop coach Dewayne Jones quit to take over the University of Detroit women's team. Jones' OU record was 70-17 overall, 31-1 GLIAC.

**MEN TANKERS** take second in Division II national meet. Coach Pete Hovland named Division II coach of the year.

New athletic director Paul Hartman hired.

New women's hoop coach Sue Kruszewski hired.

1983-1984:

**ATHLETIC DIRECTOR** Paul Hartman announced a season ticket plan for Oakland athletic events. Cost: \$30 individual, \$50 family. Athletic department considered replacing Pioneer name. Held contest for new name.

Soccer team lost 1-0 to Seattle Pacific University in championship game.

*Detroit Free Press* columnist Mike Downey predicted men's hoop coach Lee Frederick would be fired by end of season. (He was right.)

Dewayne Jones' Titans beat Sue Kruszewski's Pioneers 78-65. Kruszewski was Titans' coach between 1977 and 1980.

Men tankers finish second at Division II nationals.

**GREG KAMPE** hired to replace Lee Frederick as men's hoop coach. Frederick now runs a Milwaukee travel agency and is out of coaching. Kampe was an assistant at the University of Toledo.

1984-1985

**WRESTLING COACH** Jack Gebauer resigned after five years on the job.

New Nautilus equipment bought for the Lepley weight room. Cost: \$32,000.

New wrestling coach Mike Ozga hired.

Isaih Thomas left his truck out of gear in Lepley lot. Truck rolled backward into assistant men's hoop coach Jay Lehman's brand new Renault Encore.

**LEFT-HANDED ACCOUNTING MAJOR** Scott Bittinger's name mentioned in the *Oakland Sail* for the first time Dec. 3.

Pioneer hoop star Pete Schihl said: "The coach rubs off on us."

1985-1986

**SOCCER TEAM** misses post-season tournament for the first time in four years. Record: 14-3-2. Coach Gary Parsons said: "You like to get beat on the field, not by some committee."

Women's hoop coach Sue Kruszewski announced resignation. Kruszewski compiled a 42-40 record at OU. She is now the alumni director at Mercy College.

Men tankers finish third at Division II nationals.

**BOB TAYLOR HIRED** to replace Kruszewski. Taylor had a 52-32 record at Lake Superior State University.

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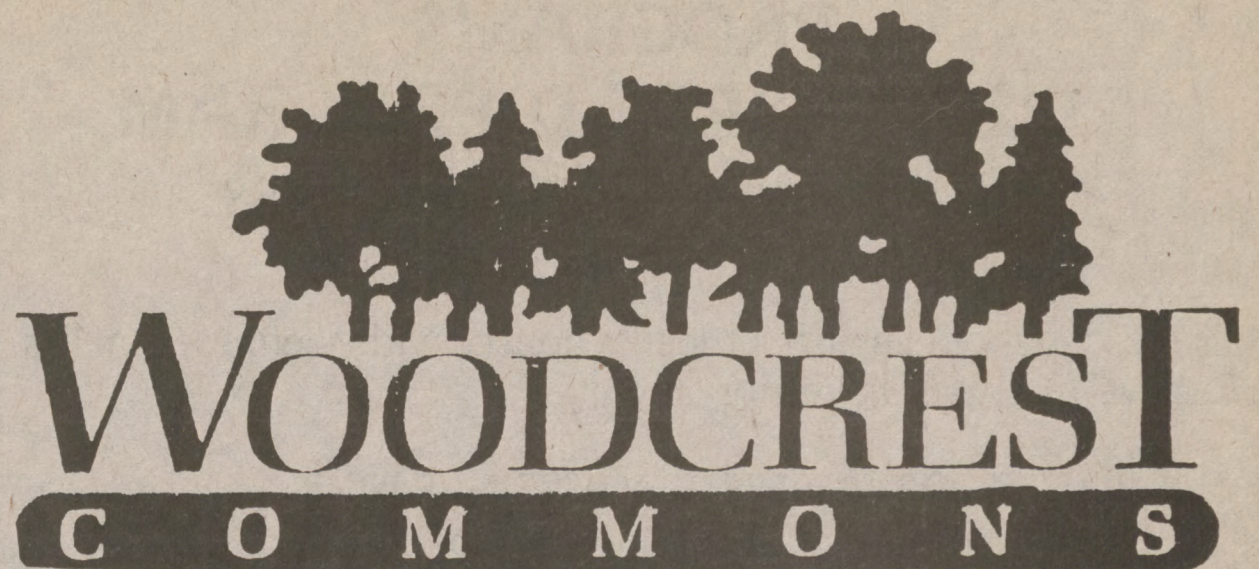
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## Tennis

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Mike Corey

**Number-five singles:** Cummins beat Rajagopal, 6-2, 6-2.  
**Number-six singles:** Dawson beat O'Shaughnessy, 6-2, 6-4.  
**Number-one doubles:** Corey and Norum beat Cannon and Garlick, 6-1, 6-2.  
**Number-two doubles:** Cummins and Vrzal beat Tettersego and Jerome, 6-4, 6-3.  
**Number-three doubles:** Graff and Dawson beat O'Shaughnessy and Litailler, 6-1, 6-1.



### Stand up for baseball

The Pioneer bench rises to its feet to greet the rest of the players as they come in from their positions.

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## Pete Hovland to be coach of little country's Olympic team

By RALPH ECHTNAW  
Sports Editor

off the coast of Venezuela.

Pioneer men's swim coach Pete Hovland has been asked by the Netherlands-Antilles to coach the country's 1988 Olympic team.

Hovland has been coaching the country's star swimmer, Hilton Woods, for the past year. Woods entered Oakland as a freshman last fall.

Hovland said he thought there was a good chance he'd be asked to coach the team. "In the back of my mind I was planning on it," he said. "Hilton had told me there was a good chance."

Hovland coached Woods last year when the latter won a bronze medal at the Pan-Am games in Indianapolis.

Hovland said he will have "possibly four or five" swimmers under his tutelage. He plans to train Woods as well as fellow Pioneer tankers Mark VanderMey, Eric Strom, Jim Surowiec and Nancy Schermer from early May until the August Olympic trials at Kenyon College in Ohio.

The other Netherlands-Antilles athletes will train as per Hovland's instruction on the tiny island nation

"(Woods') chances of medaling this year are slim."

Pete Hovland, Olympic coach

Hovland said Woods probably won't win a medal at the Olympics, in Seoul, South Korea, this year. "His chances of medaling this year are slim."

Hovland said Woods, 19, is still quite young for an Olympic competitor. The two world record holders in Woods' events, the 50- and 100-meter freestyles (Tom Jager, 22.22 and Matt Biondi, 48.7) are 25 and 24 years old respectively.

Woods, who's best time in the 50 freestyle is 23.3, will compete against Jager and Biondi in Seoul.

Hovland said "our ultimate goal is 1992. (This year) I'll be happy if he finishes in the top 16."

Hovland said he won't feel too badly if Hovland beats out an American for a medal. "That's the way it goes," he said.

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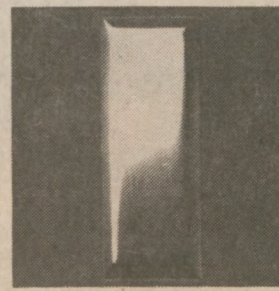
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