

Reaccreditation plans stalled

(Editor's note: This is the third in a series on the School of Human and Educational Services, formerly the School of Education.)

By Mark Clausen
Sail Editor in Chief

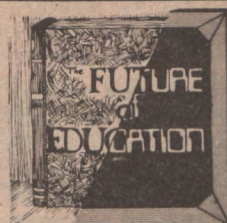
Although secondary education programs were reported to have serious problems by the major education accreditation institute in 1976, no major changes have been made in the programs to date.

The National Committee for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) denied accreditation to OU's secondary education programs after its September 1976 visit.

A committee formed as a result of the denial has made no concrete

"The lack of accreditation is not a problem....We should not accept that NCATE accreditation comes down from above."

—Donald Malm, professor of mathematics



recommendations to improve secondary education programs.

There is disagreement within the committee made up of the directors of eight secondary education programs, College of Arts and Sciences Associate Dean Robert Simmons, School of Human and Educational Services (SHES) and Associate Dean Robert Payne.

AMONG THE POINTS of disagree-

ment are: the accuracy of the NCATE criticisms; who should coordinate secondary education and to what extent; and the wisdom of even pursuing NCATE accreditation.

NCATE's notification letter listed the following as problems in OU's secondary education training:

- Faculty appointments for "professional training responsibilities in the School of Education, including responsibility for

advising, instructions for methods classes, and the supervision of practicum experiences" were given to "persons without qualifications."

- Faculty members were not getting adequate support from the institution.

- The letter also said: "The School (SHES) lacks an ability to coordinate learning activities and evaluation. Evaluators say departmental initiatives varying in form and results from department to department...weaknesses are seen as a consequence of weaknesses in the control and management of secondary programs at the institution."

THE COMMITTEE MUST come up with acceptable secondary education programs by March 1980, "or again be (continued on page 3)

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AHC spawns state wide organization

By Vicki Fodale
Sail Staff Writer

Close to 60 students from OU and other colleges participated in "Take Me to Your Leader," the first state wide student government leadership conference held Saturday in the Oakland Center.

The conference, sponsored by Area Hall Council, was responsible for forming a statewide organization—Michigan Resident Halls Association. Because of this, "more conventions will definitely be held in the future," said Shari Beattie, coordinator of the program.

The daylong program included sessions ranging from "Active Involvement in Policy Decisions," to "Assertiveness Training." The sessions were small and informal, taking the tone of discussions, rather than lectures. Speakers included students in leadership positions as well as administrators.

CIPO Director, Rosalind Andreas, gave a session in Assertiveness Training. "Assertiveness," explained the pamphlet used for the session, "is direct and honest expression of your feelings and rights without infringing on the rights of others." Andreas cited the origin of assertiveness as "a behavior skill stemming from the woman's movement."

Brian Day, program coordinator for Neighborhood House, a children's activity center in Rochester, suggested some different publicity techniques.

"Student events are flyered and poster to death," he said. "Use fun media—balloons, match covers, or even guerilla theatre."

Guerilla theatre, he explained is an impromptu 60 second skit, done in front of an unsuspecting audience to promote a cause or an event.

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Fund raising madness

STUDENTS AND FACULTY vented frustrations and 'beat a jeep' during Winter Carnival week.

RAs could loose single rooms soon

By Kevin Kassel
Sail Staff Writer

Resident Assistants planning to enjoy all the benefits of a single room next year could be disappointed.

Due to overcrowded dormitories, Residence Halls may team RAs with roommates. Housing Director Doreen Bieryla described the possibility as, "an option that we're discussing and considering."

At a meeting January 8, RAs were notified of the new plan.

RA Anne Stivender said she thought the chances of the

roommate plan being implemented were, "very small. Stivender explained, "I think the chief problem would be that my effectiveness would be hampered."

IF SUCH A plan is adopted, RAs would be allowed to pick their roommates, but they would be exposed to many of the late night interruptions RAs contend with. To point this out, Stivender said, "I wouldn't ask my best friend to live with me."

Stivender believes the addition of roommates could be worked out. "As much as I personally am not for the idea,

Costs rising

OU undiapered needs \$1,000

By Sheba Bakshi
Sail Staff Writer

Oakland Undiapered, a student publication rating professors, has close to "1000 problems" which may prevent it from reaching the hands of the students during the Winter 1979 semester.

Chuck Holzman, Student Rights Committee (SRC) chairperson, is worried. If SRC does not raise \$1,000 within two weeks it will have to decide whether Oakland Undiapered should be abandoned, he said.

"The research cost of printing based on 15,000 student questionnaire (8000 students, multiplied by three classes each), key-punching the computer data, computer time, and the salary of professional key punchers, the whole thing costs \$1,000 and we do not as of yet have the money," said Holzman.

AT LEAST \$500 worth of information was not given. "I was given the impression that \$300 would be enough. They (last semesters SRC members) left out the computer time and

key punching cost. It was only last week that I got the accurate estimate of the printing cost would be \$1,000," said Holzman.

SRC, a committee of the University Congress, cannot ask the Student Activities Board (SAB) for money. Holzman, however, has thought of another way to collect the \$1,000 needed.

Jim McClure, a former student of OU, organized the Oakland University Research Committee (OURC) last year which was allocated \$600 by SAB.

"I HAVE thought of starting this organization again. With the combined effort from them (OURC) and the SRC we may be able to pull it off. If OURC can come up with more than half, I am going to ask the Congress to pay the remaining part of it," said Holzman.

Time is an important factor of this survey. The polling of the large number of students and course sections should be started within the 10th or 11th week of the semester, to be ready for the next semester.

Max Brill, professor of psychology, who was advisor to the last issue 1972, said they faced difficulties when they started late in the semester.

AN ATTEMPT to publish an issue during Winter 1978 failed because SRC was not organized or co-ordinated, said Michael McClory, former SRC chairperson. He said SRC started the project late in the semester and did not have enough people to do the survey.

Brill told Holzman that because the previous issue had been started late in the fall semester the committee had to (continued on page 2)

RAS WILL PROBABLY be given some kind of reimbursement for their loss of privacy. Williams said, "I like my single. I (continued on page 8)

Guest commentary

Cut costs instead of raising tuition

By Gary Foster
Sail Special Writer

The University has announced, to no surprise, another increase in tuition, rumored to be from 50¢ to \$2.25 per credit hour. The reasons are clear: Governor Milliken will hold the University to the same austerity the entire state faces, Senator Billy Huffman (D-Madison Heights) is no longer able to toss us goodies, and the students are still not objecting loudly enough to deter an increase.

The financial wizards of the University recognize the students expect to pay for an education, and tend toward indifference about student financial problems. At best, they may be sympathetic, but find themselves bound in a system they claim is beyond their control. Rather than argue with legislators and cause bad feelings, the University solves revenue problems by raising tuition.

Yet there is a suspicion that there are opportunities for the University to apply good management tactics and reduce the cost of running an educational institution. If the Administration is serious about tuition increases, then it should be willing to make every possible saving.

To that end, the University's have traditionally chopped frills like work-study money, admissions, budgets, and program monies. While this meat-ax approach to the educational experience did save dollars, it may be suggested a better savings could be achieved by eliminating some administrative positions.

YET OU, among 4-year state schools, has the highest ratio of administrators to students in Michigan. While economic conditions would dictate a thinning of staff, Oakland continues to expand the administrative personnel that run the school for the students. The institution is growing under the momentum of bureaucracy.

The School of Economics and Management (SEM) is the latest to grab some of our tuition for administrative salaries. Two positions are proposed, each \$15,000 per year, and each seems to suggest some serious and unnecessary empire building before the new dean is chosen. The first of these new jobs is an assistant dean for data management systems, and the second is an academic advisor for SEM students. Between the two, the second is the most repugnant if only for the nerve needed to present it.

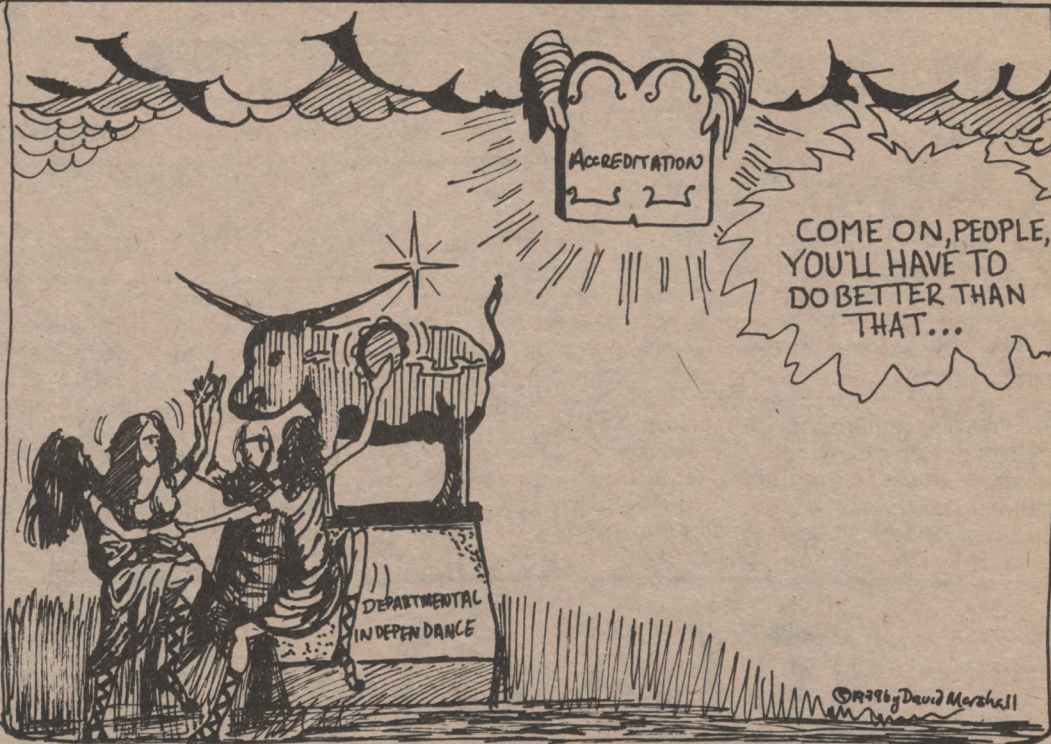
AT A PRACTICAL level, the addition of an advisor in SEM is a wasteful duplication of services. If the advising system is flawed, SEM has an obligation to correct the defects. Convincing their faculty to do their job might be a good start, as would co-operating with Dr. Appleton's committee that is pursuing advising problems.

Another opportunity exists for the university to battle the bureaucratic ooze, this time in residence-halls. The position of Co-ordinator of Programming is vacant, after Margaret Chapa was elevated to assistant director. That job is a parallel to CIPO's co-ordinator for Programming, duplicating administrative effort and hindering the goal of co-ordinated campus planning.

IT WAS unnecessary when created, serving more to undermine the Area Hall Council Programming Committee than to enhance programs. Now, while the job is open, the position should be eliminated.

The examples are here; growth within the university is sucking a greater share of fewer resources. There are other examples, leaving the thought that the University cannot be very serious about reducing costs and holding down tuition. But then, administrators don't pay tuition, but they do benefit from larger staffs, better offices, and the privileges that go along.

The Marshall Arts



LETTER

Schools are producing automatons

Dear Editor:

I've recently come across a number of college graduates who have secured occupations in the business world. They've been lamenting that after four years of wolfing down academic nutrients, they're still malnourished. By this I mean students graduate as neophytes, basically inept for employment. It is as though academia provides a gilded cocoon of pseudo-reality shielding students from the ignominious world.

To make this point less nebulous I would like to quote J.P. Altgeld, elected governor of Illinois in 1892. The reason I've chosen Altgeld is that he was an incumbent during a time when educational reform was in dire need.

An education "is only a training to begin work...Education means training, not memorizing or stuffing. The mind must be a workshop, not a storehouse..." How very true this has been for me over the years. As I sit passively with pen in hand jotting down notes in a reverie.

FROM THE very start of formal education one is expected to hang curiously on the nail next to conformity. Conformity seems to rule supreme and out of deference we placate the system, losing the spark. After years of cramming and reciting by rote the freshness of an inquisitive mind stagnates and becomes putrid.

I believe that the majority of today's students are suffering from malnourishment and crave real food. And unless our educational institutions are revised, the intellect of genius shall continue to atrophy.

SCHOOLS are producing automatons searching for the proper slot on the assembly line of life. I think Paul Simon sums it up nicely, "...When I think back on all the crap I learned in

high school, it's a wonder I can think at all..."

Though this may appear as a rather harsh attack on the system, the time has come to shed our skins of complacency. If we settle into unscrutinized routine, then our fate is that of the lemmings, running

headlong into the sea. It may be a frightening ominous view but one that must be faced. Only through awareness can one hope to become free. Vincit omnia veritas, (Truth conquers all things.)

—Jerry Kymia
Junior, Psy/Hist

Undiapered

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work through final exam week and Christmas break to have it ready for the Winter '72 students.

McClory explained that one of the reasons why Oakland Undiapered did not continue after 1972 was a lack of interest on the part of the previous staff.

The eight members of SRC have the task of surveying 14000 different sections "within two weeks maximum."

"Eight people cannot do the survey alone. We need student volunteers who can pass the questionnaires around their class," said Holzman.

As an incentive to work on the survey in 1972, Brill offered credit course.

"We decided not to do it again for a combination of reasons. It did not have a straight psychological format and not enough extra work to justify it as a psychology course," said Brill.

SRC learned that faculty members wanted to use Oakland Undiapered to gauge what students learned in their classes.

No issue was printed during the Fall 1978 semester because SRC wanted to change the format of some of the questions to assist the faculty in this.

The SRC also want to include faculty response to their ratings by the students. They had tried it in 1972, but professors had only a few days to respond.

"They did, however, make excellent comments, which is helping us form a better

questionnaire. But we want them to have more time to respond than just a few days," said Holzman.

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Two OU resident assistants, Jeff Starks (Fitzgerald), and Bruce Hepp (Anibal), discussed the challenge of programming events since the raised drinking age stopped the "alcohol incentive." Both Starks and Hepp agreed that successful programming now takes more planning and creativity than before.

"It's a shame programming even got to the point where you had to have a keg of beer to get people to come to an event," said Starks.

Hepp suggested "the pocketbook enticement" as a good lever for programming. "Provide free transportation, and go somewhere you can get a group rate," he said.

OTHER ideas were having parties with crazy themes—like the recent nerd party held on campus. Toga parties were unanimously agreed to be passe.

Jim Cummer, head resident of Van Wagoner, spoke on "Running an Effective Meeting."

"You've got to get everyone's attention first. It can be as grandiose as falling over a table, or as subtle as wearing tennis shoes with a suit," he said, glancing down at his own white track shoes.

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Reaccreditation

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turned down," said Payne. Payne, who thinks some of the NCATE criticisms are valid and would like to see changes in the programs, said time is running short.

"From our standpoint, I see a number of things moving too slowly. If there is a frantic time, I'm frantic now."

Not all the members of the committee echo Payne's concerns. According to Simmons, there are no major disagreements on the committee, only that they have been trying to design programs to fit in all the necessary courses.

"We are trying to shoehorn courses in where we can," he said. There are too many courses and not enough space," Simmons said he hopes the program is "in place and ready to go by next fall."

There are eight secondary education programs, seven of which grant degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences. They are: biology, chemistry, English, mathematics, modern languages, music and physics.

THE SOCIAL STUDIES program was formed in 1974 by combining the social science secondary education programs. The SHES grants the social studies degree, and

according to Payne, "It was the only one they (NCATE) approved of."

Not all committee members agree with the NCATE evaluations. "We think we are very successful," said Jack Moeller, professor and chairperson of the modern languages department. "The teachers are quite happy with us. We are assuming they (NCATE criticisms) were not directed at us."

Moeller also said that all of the instructors of modern languages' teaching methods classes and student teaching classes have had secondary school teaching experience. "I don't know where this (unqualified professors teaching classes) happens. I am not aware of any department that has part-time help doing the instructing."

"Music was one of the departments mentioned as having done pretty well," said Music Department Chairperson Raynold Allvin. "We have more teacher preparatory courses taught by professors with experience in the field than anyone."

THE DIRECTOR OF mathematics secondary education program, Professor Donald Malm, does not think NCATE

charges were directed at his program either.

"I don't accept the premise that there is something wrong with our program," he said. "They certainly didn't find anything wrong in the math evaluation. I spoke with the math evaluator and there were no issues that he was dissatisfied with at all."

Another point where members of the committee do not see eye to eye with NCATE evaluators is their contention that the SHES must coordinate programs more closely. SHES officials believe that there must be closer coordination by the school, and program directors say arts and sciences departments ought to maintain control.

Payne said he would like to see all the secondary education programs housed in the SHES. "Where ever things are coordinated, you have responsibility. No one seems to have responsibility," said Payne. "My personal bias is to take programs and place them where the responsibility rests," he said. He believes it ultimately rests with the SHES.

ONE OF THE major problems caused by the lack of coordination is in field work—education's internships. "I don't have any authority," said William Jorns, director of SHES field placement. Jorns is responsible for placing secondary education majors in student teaching positions.

"I have a very good working relationship with all the supervising professors," he said. "But now we have reached the point where it is almost impossible to coordinate."

Jorns said the decline of both students in the program and student teaching positions has made the situation difficult. "We are spread far too thin and we have to look at more closely coordinated programs."

"In my case," Jorns said, "a professor may be asked to go out to the school and work with the student and teacher, but the instructor can barely make it out twice." Jorns said the school and the student teacher are often not happy, but because the specific programs are so small and the internships so limited, that faculty members must take field work in addition to their class load.

Most of the program

directors agreed that there could be closer coordination between programs, but would not relinquish control of their programs. "I'm not too hung up on where the program is," said Professor Robert Williamson, physics, "but I would prefer to have a physics major be sure that he has a strong enough major to do something else, to have choices professionally."

MALM ADMITTED that changes need to be made, but said he would not like to see a secondary education program housed in the SHES. "I wouldn't accept a blanket proposal for (SHES) supervision of secondary education," he said. "The internships should be sponsored by someone who understands the content of what they are teaching."

Malm also questioned the need to adjust the programs to meet NCATE guidelines. "The lack of accreditation is not a problem," he said.

"We shouldn't accept that NCATE accreditation comes down from above on stone tablets. It is only an issue in a few other states. Most students want to teach in Michigan anyway."

Payne did not agree with Malm's assessment of the importance of NCATE approval. "It seems to me in any field, you run at a disadvantage to come from a program that is not accredited," he said. "It could hurt if the personnel director is keenly aware that the program is not accredited."

"It may be even worse if the person is not familiar with the program," he continued. He agreed with Malm. Accreditation became more important as the distance from OU increased.

Interviews with various personnel directors in and out of Michigan supported the contention. "We need a (Michigan teachers') certificate. I'm not even sure what accreditation is," said Larry Westley, director of personnel for Rochester Community Schools.

FARTHER AWAY from OU, the story was a little different. "It makes us feel that we can assume that certain standards have been met," said Edward Johnston, acting personnel director of the Traverse City School System.

"From out of state, we will

only accept their degree if they can gain candidacy in master's programs at accredited institutions," said John O'Hanley, teacher counselor in the Chicago Public Schools.

There is one point of agreement, though: all secondary education programs need exposure to on-the-job experience.

Williamson said earlier course work in the field will better equip students to teach, and give them a chance to decide earlier if they want to become secondary school teachers.

A major problem, then, is attempting to fit early field experience into curricula already crowded with courses to fulfill a regular major, and courses necessary to obtain state teaching certification.

Until the committee works out the necessary changes—if any—in the secondary education programs, the programs will continue to go unaccredited. The damage that would bring could close down the already dwindling programs. According to Jorns, there are now only about 50 students a year in undergraduate secondary education programs.

"If the programs are not brought up to NCATE standards," Payne said, "that possibility of eliminating secondary education programs is being mentioned. Sooner or later you don't have any choices."

Students Speak Out "Who is Khomeini?"



"He just took over in Iran. It's funny how one week we'll oppose him and now we'll support him for the oil."

Toni Simonetti, 22, Senior, Journalism

"He's the Moslem leader in Iran. The Shah tried to Westernize Iran and the Moslems don't want that."

Shihab Ahmadi, 26, Senior, Engineering



"I've never heard of him."

Mike Dingmen, 20, Senior, Engineering

"He's a religious leader that's been in exile for 15 years. He's trying to convert the government back to the old ways and I think he'll succeed."

Keith Pickens, 19, Sophomore, Journalism



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University Congress

New classes
focus on womenBy Sheba Bakshi
Sail Staff Writer

After two years of working to enact a concentration in women's studies at OU, a committee of fifty faculty and administrative women succeeded.

The Women's Studies Concentration Program, a study of contributions made by women through their work in art and science, was approved last spring and started this semester.

"The introduction class, WS 200, Introduction to Women's Studies, had already been taught by New Charter College (NCC) for two years and we knew that there was substantial interest in the subject," said Billie DeMont, associate provost for general and career studies, who serves on the committee.

The concentration program started as an attempt to allow students to investigate various academic disciplines related to women. It is listed under the College of Arts & Sciences, but can be taught by faculty members from any department.

"THIS IS the most innovative feature of this program. Other colleges have only the faculty from Arts & Sciences teaching the courses," said DeMont.

She said that while many other colleges had their Women's study program start due to political pressures, OU's program started because of student interest.

Any student with an academic major can take the concentration program of 28 credits.

Three courses, the core of the women's study program, are WS 200, Introduction to Women's Studies; WS 300,

Women in Transition; and WS 400, Final Project in Women's Studies. Four elective courses are also required for the concentration, offered by various university departments.

WS 200, the only course offered from the program this semester, taught by Wilma Garcia from the English department, is a survey course. The course is structured according to the expertise of the professor teaching it. Garcia's field is mystic aspects of literature.

WS 300 will focus on the achievement, sexuality or power of women.

WS 400 is an independent study. The subject matter is decided by the student with the help of a faculty advisor of her/his choice.

DeMont said she is interested in promoting older students.

"I WAS concerned in getting the adult women back," she said. Adult women who took the divorce class offered in Birmingham, showed so much interest that they came on campus to take WS 200.

"The program and classes will be more interesting with these women to contribute their experience," she said.

Ann Marie Craig, a student who is taking the WS 200 class agrees with DeMont.

"IF YOU are sitting in class you are aware of the extremes. Tense discussions, different backgrounds and beliefs. Everyone will learn from that tenseness," said Craig.

Craig, who is an HRD sophomore, said the women's study program is useful to her because it is helping her learn about the problems of women in this world and help other women socially.

Center provides
advice, programsBy Sheba Bakshi
Sail Staff Writer

Women seeking information, advice, or counseling can drop in at the Women's Center in the lower level of the Oakland Center.

The center originally opened in 1974 for returning women students who were usually married and older than average college students and needed a place to discuss problems concerning adjustment to OU, according to Margaret J. Colburn, director of undergraduate advising.

The Women's Center however, does not limit itself only to returning women students but welcomes all women and men at OU, faculty, staff and students.

THIS SEMESTER, the center is co-sponsoring programs such as talks by Sister Van Gilder on decision making February 21, the Michigan Occupational Interest System (MOIS) March 20, and Laura Callow from the Womens Justice Center speaking on the

Equal Rights Amendment, talks on career options for arts and sciences, education, management, and health sciences majors by the Career Placement Office have also been planned.

The center, an administrative unit of Student Services, has been active in getting financial aid and scholarships for women students returning at OU. It has also held seminars on nontraditional careers for women, and invited guests to speak on the position of women in society.

This semester, the center arranged an internship for Virginia Hiber, an HRD major, with the campus ministry to form support groups for separated and divorced women.

"THERE IS A fair number of women students who come in there (women's center), who are divorced or separate. They come mainly to have someone to talk to. I am trying to set up a program where they can meet with each other more often and share their feelings," she said.

Women at
A history ofBy Elise D'Haene
and
Sheba Bakshi
Sail Staff Writers

"Failure is impossible," were the words of Susan B. Anthony, leader for women's suffrage, who fought hard to preserve equality for all people, particularly women. Anthony saw change as inevitable for women.

A reflection of women's progress over the past ten years can be seen at OU. Education, careers, attitudes and lifestyles of women at OU have gone through many stages of development.

Faculty

"Some facts about Oakland's discrimination against women will clarify its position as a sexist institution," stated an article from an OU publication dated November 11, 1970.

THE ARTICLE compared the number of women faculty members to men. In 1970, out of 301 faculty members at OU, "only 49 or 16 percent were women." Of this percent, almost a quarter of the women were only part time employees. Subsequently, in 1971 the Women's Equity Action League filed formal charges of sex discrimination against OU.

The charges were filed because there were no women instructors in OU's biology, chemistry, math, economics and political science departments.

Out of the 15 departments at OU there was only one woman with a full professorship.

CHANGES in faculty position for women at OU have occurred since 1971. Presently, out of 332 full time instructors, 72 (22 percent) are women. The number of women with full professorship has risen from one to three, out of a total of 82, according to the Office of the Provost.

In the Chemistry Department there is one full time woman assistant professor, out of 15 full time instructors.

In economics and management, out of a full time faculty of 35, three are women.

There are 13 instructors in the political science department, of these there is one woman visiting professor.

Choice of Studies

Ten years ago, there were five female engineering majors at OU. Presently, there are over 200. This is typical of the trends taking place by women towards non-traditional fields.

Women are "spreading their interests; ten years ago most women were in education, now although a good many still are, they realize that undergraduate



Susan B. Anthony: Born 58 years ago today, Anthony movement has brought many changes in women's are in memory of her accomplishments.

at OU: of changes

teaching is limited," said David Beardslee, Director of Institutional Research.

Overall, enrollment into colleges by women has risen eight percent, according to a survey by the American Association for Higher Education.

In 1959, 38 percent of OU students were women, in 1978 female enrollment jumped to 57 per cent.

A survey studying seven years of career choices by sex shows changes by women at OU towards non-traditional fields.

In 1971-72 there were 50 full-time equated women in the management/economics program, presently there are 720.

"More women today are breaking away from the traditional roles, creating minor upheavels in their family lives," said Wilma Garcia, instructor of a woman's study course. Even though they are getting opposition from home, they feel they have to make changes in their life to make up for the lost time."

Dorm Living

If you were a woman living on campus in 1969, you would receive a booklet called, "Women's Regulations." These regulations were an outline detailing "the few rules necessary to provide a congenial living experience in a group situation."

Student sentiment on these regulations are evident in the Oakland Observer, a student publication dated, January 31, 1969. These regulations were referred to as blatant discrimination against all women students on campus. If women weren't considered second-class citizens there would be no need for rules and regulations," stated the Observer.

Women were given regulated hours they had to abide in or face disciplinary action from the Women's Judiciary Board. "The university has no reasonable argument to assume that women are less independent, less responsible or less able to take care of themselves," said the Observer.

In 1969, there were campus jobs exclusively for men. Positions of night managers and drivers of university cars were not given to women.

According to the Observer, one girl was told when she applied for night manager that, "the place would fall apart."

As for driving a university car, there were two reasons women couldn't apply: 1) They couldn't change tires, 2) If there was a breakdown that she couldn't handle, the managers didn't want the responsibility of some girl hitching a ride at night for help, said the Observer.

After a period of time, these discriminatory rules and regulations were abolished, and the "Residence Hall Program Handbook" has replaced "Women's Regulations."



Anthony, a leader of the women's suffrage women's lives. The articles on these two pages,



Septirion: A change in lifestyle offers new experiences, goals.

(Photo by Carla Mitchell)

'All or Nothing'

Dorm living begins at 48

By Elise D'Haene
Sail Staff Writer

Bundled up for the winter's cold, a bag full of books slung on her shoulder, Marilyn Septrion, 48, leaves her home at Pryale House, to face another day of classes.

Dorm living is a big change for Septrion. "After you've cleaned johns for 25 years, having someone else do it is a welcome change," she said.

Septirion said that when she reached traditional college age, "women weren't educated, they got married and had babies."

THE DECISION to have a formal education came while camping out in the woods Septrion said. "That's where I made my decision—yes, definitely I'm going to school."

Because OU has a number of non-traditional students, "I really expected to find more older adults living on campus," said Septrion. "I didn't think I'd be the only one, but if I'm going to school, I'm doing it all the way, all or nothing."

Although half the persons she knows think her new lifestyle is crazy, and the other half think it's great, "It doesn't really matter," she said, "it's what I wanted to do."

Septirion is a well-known name on OU's list of graduates. Marilyn Septrion was preceded by Jill and Julie Septrion, her daughters, and graduates of OU. "We've all had the same professor at three different times too," she added.

ADAPTING TO dorm life wasn't really a problem for Septrion. She said she enjoys the students at OU. "I love to watch them have fun," she said. "Really their beer bashes are no

different from my cocktail parties."

Septirion feels OU's community has a "healthy, caring attitude." "Everybody is nice," she said. "Even Margaret, the woman who cleans the johns is nice."

Ludington, Michigan has been Septrion's home for 35 years. Throughout her dorm room are pictures of the sandy beaches and lighthouses, typical of this small town on Lake Michigan. "I get homesick just talking about it," she said, "although I don't think I could live in a small town again."

Septirion is majoring in Human Resources Development and would like to manage a social service agency someday. Her past jobs have given her experience in administration, especially her position as executive director of the American Red Cross in Florida, handling disasters such as hurricanes.

AFTER HER two daughters established themselves, Septrion, a divorcee, found she didn't need a large house anymore. This is when she began pondering different opportunities.

Among the options she considered was moving down to the Bahamas, waiting on tables and being a beach bum. That still is one of her fantasies for the future.

Her philosophy on life is simple. "Life flows, flow with it," she said, "and don't fight the currents, currents can be fun."

"I'm not particularly altruistic, I don't think anyone should smother their personality by being totally self-sacrificing," she said, "but everyone's life is significant—yours is, and so is mine."



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Soccer boom hits OU women

By Allen Peterson
Sail Sports Writer

Forty OU women have shown an interest in the newly formed women's soccer club, according to Wayne Pirmann, the club's advisor.

"There's a lot of interest in the club," said Pirmann, also the men's varsity soccer coach. "We've had 20-25 persons coming out for practice on Sunday mornings between 8-11 in the gymnasium. We're still looking for interested girls who want to play soccer."

"I went out for soccer because it looked like an exhilarating sport," said 19-year-old freshman Jean Partin. "I wanted to get involved in something, and soccer was a good conditioning sport. I don't have as much energy as Pirmann does, but I like doing physical things. I also like being around people."

PARTIN HOPES that soccer will soon become a girls varsity sport.

Discussion about the formation of the women's soccer club began last spring when Partin, then 18 years old, tried out for the men's varsity soccer team. After finding it difficult to compete with the men, Partin talked to Pirmann about a women's team at OU.

While Pirmann coached the men's soccer team to a 9-5-1

record last fall, Partin was making progress organizing the women's soccer club.

"Much of the credit for the club has to go to Partin," said Pirmann. "She handled fund raisers for the club, got gym time for the girls, and mainly spread the word to the other club members."

Included on the list of interested female booters are two Birmingham Seaholm graduates that helped Pirmann's Seaholm Blazers to a 27-0-4 record in three seasons of non-league play. They are 18-year-old freshmen Sue Douse and Diane DeSimple.

"**I LOVE IT** because you get to meet a lot of people, it's good exercise, and it's an outside sport," said Douse. "With soccer, though, you're constantly moving. It's not like football, where you get a chance to rest. You're constantly playing in soccer."

"You've got to have good coaches in soccer, too. Bad coaches can ruin the interest in the sport. That's why I think Pirmann is such a good coach. He's good inspiration for the team."

DeSimple repeated Douse's philosophy of the sport, "If you're not in good shape, it can get tiring. I think we'll be pretty good, but it will depend on the enthusiasm of the coach and the team."

With only six girls having limited varsity experience, Pirmann's main responsibility has been teaching basic ball control and passing skills to the majority of the club athletes.

"I'm more concerned about their learning the skills and tactical understanding of the game more than I am about their ability to compete against other teams," said Pirmann.

Pirmann said he had mixed feelings on the club's planning stages. The club had no experienced goal keeper when practices began in late January, but Pirmann believed that OU has one of the few organized women's soccer programs among members of the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference which OU belongs.



SOCCKER CLUB:The popularity of soccer has spread to women at OU. (Photo by Chris Van Meter).

Cardinals chirp over Pioneer defeat, 80-76

By Stuart Alderman
Sail Sports Editor

With only three games remaining on the men's basketball schedule, the cagers must win all three to jump over the .500 mark following an 80-76 loss to Saginaw Valley on Monday.

With 3:05 left, OU surged ahead by five, 72-67. The Cardinals tied the score at 76-76 on a jump shot by Freshman Louis O'Neal with only 1:11 remaining. SV then connected on two free throws by Freshman Gary Poole to go up by two points. O'Neal finished with 30 points and Poole added 17 points.

"**WE WERE** ahead early, got behind, and then pressed our way back into the game," said acting Pioneer coach Lee Frederick. OU trailed at intermission 44-40.

OU missed some key free throws down the stretch in making only 12 in 23 attempts during the game. "If we make free throws, we'll be in the game, that's part it."

Although SV relied on two freshman, Senior Tim Kramer once again led the Pioneers netting 28 points. Kramer, who is the leading scorer in the conference, shot an impressive 86 per cent from the floor (12-

14), but could muster only 4-10 from the foul line. Sophomores Craig Harts and Dan Rawlings each chipped in with 15 points for OU.

THE PIONEERS fall to 4-7 in the Great Lakes Conference and 11-13 overall. OU hopes to play the spoiler role on Saturday afternoon when they host conference leader Grand Valley State Colleges (20-3). The Lakers are ranked 11th in a the latest NAIA ratings released Tuesday.

"We would love to spoil Grand Valley's chances for the title," said Frederick. "We'll be fired up. We're looking to beat them."

Only Ferris State and Northwood Institute remain on the Pioneer schedule after the GV game on Saturday.

GLIAC STANDINGS

	Conference		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Grand Valley	11	1	20	3
Hillsdale	9	2	20	4
Ferris State	8	4	16	7
Saginaw Valley	6	5	13	10
OAKLAND	4	7	11	13
Northwood Inst.	3	8	10	13
Wayne State	3	9	11	14
Lake Superior	2	10	6	17

GLIAC results from Monday

Ferris State 62, Hillsdale 52
Grand Valley 80, Wayne State 66
Lake Superior St. 67, Northwood 65
Saginaw Valley 80, **OAKLAND** 76

IM 'Stars' undefeated

The league-leading Shooting Stars coasted to their third straight victory Monday night when they defeated the Papa Rods 55-27. Raymond Green had 14 points for the Stars.

Wolbswaj got revenge on Jaws for previous football and hockey defeats when they edged Jaws 40-37. Al Benedict was high man for the second straight week with 14 points. The Wolbswaj is on top of the Gold League with a 3-0 record.

The Junior Barned remained winless as they lost their third straight, this time to the Penthouse Pistons, 44-26.

ROCK'S KORNER



OU '9' face obstacles

Does it seem odd that the OU baseball team will have their first game in 37 days? It won't be with snowballs and sticks behind the sports and rec building either. The team will travel on its annual spring trip taking them to the sunshine state of Florida for eight days.

The baseball team may need a brief introduction before we go any further. OU compiled a 38-17 record in 1978, and a 14-3 conference record, good enough for the GLIAC title. It was OU's first championship in baseball and only their second championship in the school's history.

Twelve of the 23 shirted players have come by way of another University before coming to OU. Some have come from OCC, South Alabama, Eastern, Western, Central, Henry Ford CC, and even the Univ. of Georgia.

IT ALL sounds so rosey: a Florida trip, a championship team, and talented players from all over. Wrong. To be an OU baseball player, one must have "patience".

They have enough talent here to bring OU a division II championship, but does the administration really want one? The team practiced in the riding stables adjacent to the golf course two years ago but were moved out and into the dance studio at the sports and rec. Presently the time in the studio is being cut down to a minimum.

Where will they put them next?

The baseball team gets practically no money for scholarships, and the money that is given is raised by Head Coach Dirk Dieters through a booster club.

WHAT THE whole situation boils down to is a unit inside a unit. The baseball team as a unit has been used and abused by the system, but I predict they will go on to win OU's third championship in 1979. Why is this so? Because the team will not let the system overcome them nor will it discourage them.

OU will face such major powers as Florida State, M.S.U., Eastern, Central, U of M, and South Alabama. So why not check them out this year and watch a team with a lot of heart and a lot of talent. But most of all, a team with a lot of patience.

Women cagers upset Spartans

By Chris Van Meter
Sail Sports Writer

After losing four straight games, OU's women cager's narrowly defeated Michigan State, last year's state champions, 59-55.

MSU edged ahead of the Pioneers to a one point lead at the half 27-26. Pioneer Helen Shereda led scorers at intermission with 12 points.

The teams rallied through the second half with OU shooting 35 per cent overall from the floor to the Spartan's 33 per cent.

OU led by two points with a 1:30 remaining. Senior Kathy Hewelt shot from the line to help put the Pioneers up by the winning four points, 59-55.

Cager superstar Helen Shereda landed 25 points combined with teammate Kathy Hewelt for 38 of OU's 59 points.

"I think they had a hard time against our zone," said Pioneer coach Rose Swidzinski. "We knew if they were going to beat us it would be from outside."

Earlier in their rematch with Saginaw Valley Monday night, the Pioneers lost their last game in a four-game losing streak, 62-61.

Helen Shereda, top Pioneer scorer with 26 points, helped the Pioneers shoot a tough 47 per cent from the floor to Saginaw's 31 per cent.

Saginaw dumped the Pioneers at the charity line sinking 16 of their 21 free throw attempts.

"We couldn't buy a basket in the last five minutes," said Shereda.

The women are at home this weekend taking on University of Toledo tonight at 7:00 and Grand Valley Friday at 7:30.

GLIAC STANDINGS

	Conference		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Grand Valley	8	0	11	6
Saginaw Valley	5	4	15	8
Wayne State	5	4	11	9
Lake Superior	3	4	9	6
OAKLAND	3	4	11	13
Ferris State	0	8	6	11

Golfers needed

Coach Hollie Lepley is looking for women golfers for the 1979 season. OU students who wish to play competitive golf and carry at least 12 credits are eligible said Lepley. Tournaments are being scheduled at Michigan State, Bowling Green, and Canada.

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Quality of life will stay static in China

By Doug Susalla
Sail Staff Writer

The current thaw in cold war policies between the U.S. and China will do nothing to help the average Chinese citizens according to the Trotskyist workers group, The Spark.

Members of the group appeared in the Oakland Center to discuss U.S.-China relations.

"The Spark" stands for socialism built by the working class, for the struggle against the exploitation and oppression of the workers in the interests of capitalists," according to their newsletter.

"CHINA'S HOPES for modernization are based on the possibilities of trade." "Trade alone," he said, "will never correct the imbalances present in underdeveloped nations such as China," according to member Sam Jerris.

Jerris said he feels "China's low level of development will put a limit on the trade developed" in any case.

Imperialist countries have traditionally exploited the lower classes in order to prosper. He said the new U.S. policy toward China will only "mean more exploitation of the (Chinese) workers."

Jerris said "it's the control of imperialists around the world that strangles industrialization efforts in underdeveloped nations."

IT WAS OFTEN a choice between getting the technology with exploitation or staying underdeveloped, he said.

Spark member Tim Morgan compared capitalism's hold on the world to that of racism or sexism, saying "these are

beliefs which have been held too long to change overnight."

He said workers in the U.S. must take the initiative in changing these attitudes.

"It is only by making a revolution in this country that the world situation will be changed," agreed Jerris, saying "We are the ones who hold the ultimate key to freedom."

HE SAID that no underdeveloped country can repeat the rise of capitalism on its own. "The exploited have a right to the wealth and technology now in the hands of the imperialists."

The U.S. approach to China, according to Jerris, "should be with a view to correct what is wrong."

RAs

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feel that if they do put a roommate in here they should increase our salaries or benefits."

Cheryl Sims, Head Resident of Anibal Hall, supports the idea. Sims used to be an RA with roommates at Central Michigan University. Sims said, "In essence some people didn't feel like approaching me on the floor." She added though, that her roommates did serve as a grapevine connection to the floor.

Residence Halls administrators said a major concern would be how the RAs' roommates feel. Jeff Starks sums it up saying, "Who would want to be an RA's roommate?"

While the idea of tripled rooms may be a speculation now, it could become fact tomorrow.



MEMBERS OF SPARK: (from left to right) Ann Jones, Tim Morgan, and Sam Jerris discuss the exploitation of capitalism. (Photo by Doug Susalla)

Jazz ensemble to entertain today

By Nick Charles
Sail Staff Writer

Tonight at 9 p.m. The Abstention Coffeehouse will be filled with the jazz sounds of Michael Blanchard and Focus. Focus is a five-man group featuring Blanchard on saxophone and Marcus Belgrave on trumpet. Piano man Charles Boles, drummer Ron Johnson, and bassist Dedrick Glover make up the rest of the group.

Blanchard transferred to O.U. after attending Eastern

Michigan. He has played with OU's Afram Jazz Ensemble for four years. Blanchard, 28, has played with the bands All The Lonely People, Sabrosa, The Paradise Theatre Orchestra in Detroit, and Jimmy Dorsey Band. He also played saxophone on the song "God Loves Rock and Roll," recorded by Tee Garden and Van Winkle in the early 1970's.

BELGRAVE has played with Joe Cocker, Roy Brooks, and Johnny Taylor. Belgrave also toured and recorded with Ray

Charles for almost five years.

Boles, an instructor at OU, plays piano at The Gnome in Detroit every Wednesday and Thursday night. He has played with Aretha Franklin, Moms Mabley, and BB King.

Focus will be playing many standard jazz tunes as well as some original material. Blanchard and Boles will be playing a mini-concert today at noon in the Fireside Lounge.

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