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When everyone else took off for spring break, Oakland's baseball and softball teams had their opening weekend. The softball team got off to its best start in program history at 4-1, and the baseball team split their weekend record 1-3.
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PHOTO OF THE WEEK

KARAOKE // The Student Program Board hosted a "Japanese Karaoke" event on Tuesday, Feb. 28, in the Oakland Center Banquet Rooms. Students were able to sign up to sing along at the event, where everything from Eminem to the "High School Musical" soundtrack was performed. There were also Japanese-themed refreshments and sushi available for the attendees. *MARY MITCHELL // The Oakland Post*

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Did you enjoy spring break?

- A** The weather confirms global warming. #feeltheburn
- B** Unfortunately, I didn't find a sugar daddy, so I'm back.
- C** I really enjoyed "La La Land" . . . I mean "Moonlight."
- D** I did literally nothing, and I feel fantastic!

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LAST ISSUE'S POLL

Thoughts on the Grammys?

A) Beyoncé was robbed!

13 votes | 17%

B) I'm Rihanna showing up late with a flask

24 votes | 31%

C) Glad to see Bowie win something

7 votes | 9%

D) Um, some of us have midterms to study for

34 votes | 43%

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

MARCH 10, 1971

The Women's Equity Action League filed formal charges of sexual discrimination against OU. The complaint was that there were no female faculty members in the biology, chemistry, mathematics, economics and political science departments. Out of 15 departments, only one woman had full professorship at the time.

MARCH 5, 1997

Chi Upsilon, XY, was suspended for hazing. The former XY president spoke out, saying hazing had been happening even before she joined the sorority. At one point, pledges had to go on a "road rally" where they were forced to clean the Theta Chi house and collect ribbons scattered across a highway.

FEBRUARY 22, 1998

At the time, Brandon and Shanda Smith were pairs figure skaters ranked 12th in the country and Olympic hopefuls. Brandon had completed the first semester of his freshman year at OU and expressed a desire to return to the university.

BY THE NUMBERS

ACADEMY AWARDS

5,267

number of paid motion picture and video industry employees in Michigan

6

number of Academy Awards given to "La La Land," though it did not receive Best Picture

32.9 million

number of viewers of the 2017 Academy Awards

2017

the first year a Harry Potter film won an Academy Award ("Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them")

Looking Back



The Oakland Post Archives

Oakland's Reggie Hamilton (right) faces a Texas Longhorn in the 2011 March Madness Tournament.

Six years since last men's basketball NCAA invite

Cheyenne Kramer
Web Editor

Oakland wasn't always part of Division I basketball. The Golden Grizzlies finished the transition to Division I in 1999, and since joining have switched to the Horizon League.

The first Division I game in the 1999-2000 season was "e-cast" live. Oakland faced off against the Wolverines from the University of Michigan.

"OU will be among the first colleges and universities to broadcast basketball games live on the web," Communications and Marketing Director Geoff Upward said.

Until this point, WXOU had been the only media outlet to cover games live.

"WXOU will still be allowed to sit in press row, but across from the visitor's side, making it harder to see down the court," WXOU Sports Director Chris Norris said.

Sports Information Director Amy Hirschman said that WXOU didn't "have the capabilities or quality" to reach out to a large enough audience from a marketing point of view.

The thought was that the internet allowed parents and alums to watch the game wherever they were in the world.

Six years ago, the men's basketball team received an automatic qualification for the Division I NCAA Tournament, otherwise known as March Madness.

Oakland had advanced to the NCAA tournament three times in 2006, 2010 and 2011. From 2009-2011, the team won 40 of 42 games against Summit League opponents.

After the Golden Grizzlies qualified for the 2011 tournament, fans and players alike learned that the Golden Grizzlies would face off against Texas in the opening round.

"This is like a curve ball, and we've got to start our [preparation] over tonight because they were not on the radar in any way, shape or form," head coach Greg Kampe said.

Players thought that the team was in a "good position" after their experiences in the tournament the year prior, now having expectations to go even further than before.

"We're ready — throughout the season this team has gotten battle tested and we've played

big schools. It's just a matter of going out and executing," said junior Reggie Hamilton. It would be his first March Madness appearance.

Texas won games against Michigan State and Illinois that season. Oakland lost in "relatively close games" against both of those teams throughout the season.

"... I think the majority of fans will think Texas is going to win," senior player Keith Benson said.

They'd be right. The Longhorns won 85-81.

"This is the team that I thought could get to the Sweet 16," Kampe said.

"Our league has gotten so much better. Our league's good and people don't know it. The way they're going to find out is if a team like Oakland goes and wins the tournament. That's where the disappointment comes from."

Since 2011, Oakland hasn't played in the March Madness tournament.

The Horizon League Tournament is fast approaching, and more information can be found in our center spread on pages 10 and 11.



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Corrections Corner: The Oakland Post corrects all known errors of fact.

Our Feb. 15 issue's cover mistakenly said new parking is coming in fall 2016, instead of fall 2017. We feel silly about the error, but wish that someone would go back in time and add the parking sooner.

Our Feb. 15 article "Baseball alumni hit up spring training" erroneously said alumnus Jake Paulson will be traveling to Florida for spring training. He will actually be training in Arizona.

If you know of an error, please email editor@oaklandpostonline.com or call (248) 370-4268. You can also write us at 61 Oakland Center, 312 Meadow Brook Road, Rochester, MI 48309.

President hears student concerns at OUSC forum

Simon Albaugh
Staff Reporter

Oakland University President George Hynd and members of his cabinet collaborated with student congress at a Q-and-A session to address students' issues with university operations at noon on Feb. 15 in Fireside Lounge.

The forum dealt mostly with university financial and academic operations and concerns surrounding Hynd's departure as university president.

Hynd — along with Chief Operating Officer Scott Kunselman, Vice President of Student Affairs Glenn McIntosh, and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost James Lentini — answered questions for the allotted hour.

In his opening remarks, Hynd spoke about the points of pride for him and his cabinet over his three-year administration. The approval of the Campus Master Plan by the Board of Trustees and the construction of the new residence hall are among the things the cabinet is proud of. Hynd also stated that Forbes named OU among the 2016 America's Top Colleges (No. 520 out of more than 600 schools).

Hynd discussed his goals for the university, including cooperation with other universities and a higher student retention rate.

The session permitted nine students to ask questions that mostly dealt with specific issues they had with their education experiences.

Two students also prodded Hynd for the unknown reasons the Board of Trustees did not renew his contract.

Hynd did not provide a clear response when he was first asked about his departure and deferred the answer to the Board of Trustees when the question was repeated.

Some of the other questions dealt with unsynchronized dates for financial aid awards and drop dates for payments, which Hynd and his cabinet said was based on what other universities are doing.

There was also a question about the lack of the student body's voice in the presidential search, which he again deferred to the Board of Trustees.

OUSC wanted to hold this event so top administration could directly address student concerns.



Mary Mitchell / The Oakland Post

In an effort to increase interaction between students and administration, OUSC moderated a forum that allowed students to ask President George Hynd and cabinet members questions.

"Students at any university would want interaction with their campus leaders," said Student Body President Zack Thomas.

The Q-and-A was moderated by Student Body Vice President Anders Engnell.

"So, the primary impetus is that we had seen students with major questions that weren't being answered," Engnell said. "So we said, 'All right, how can we con-

nect administrators with students?'"

After the session, Hynd spoke about the questions asked of him.

"We'll take this back to the cabinet and talk about what the concerns were and how we can address them," he said.

According to OUSC, this was the first Q-and-A Hynd held in his three-year administration.

OUSC election's only candidates to promote transparency, inclusiveness

John Bozick
Social Media Editor

Oakland University Student Congress presidential and vice-presidential candidates Lena Mishack and Jousef Shkoukani, respectively, held an open forum event to answer questions and respond to concerns from students at noon on Monday, Feb. 27, in Banquet Room B of the Oakland Center.

The forum was held in place of presidential and vice-presidential debates because the Mishack-Shkoukani ticket is running unopposed.

Over 30 students and OUSC legislators attended the event, where the candidates emphasized inclusiveness and transparency while answering questions about their future administration.

Answering questions about campus life, Mishack and Shkoukani talked of how they want to help make more students aware of events on cam-

pus. Mentioning a plan of total awareness, both candidates want to use message boards and more signs in the OC to help students keep up with the schedule of events around campus.

They also want to work with the Student Program Board by hosting more events for students to attend, and they want to push for more tailgates and pep rallies before games. The ticket wants to work toward getting an NCAA football program at OU.

One of Shkoukani's major plans is to get more national companies to come OU's career fairs. A few of the companies he has in mind are Microsoft, Google and Apple. He believes that students at OU should have better career opportunities outside of those available in metro Detroit.

Inclusiveness is a major issue for the team, and the two plan to represent all student groups on campus. They said Housing students, commuters and graduate students will all see equal representation in OUSC. Their ad-

ministration has plans to have a table in the OC each month to help students to get to know the president and vice president.

"We want to do the best job we possibly can in representing all students, not just through the phone or online, but face-to-face," Shkoukani said.

Helping all students to feel included at OU is important to their administration, and they have plans to add both an athletic and a graduate representative to OUSC, a move which would help to diversify OUSC and connect more groups of students on campus.

They also plan to continue some of OUSC's current initiatives, such as free Scantrons in the OUSC office and the recycling bin program. Mishack and Shkoukani also plan to continue using the Bear Bus system to alleviate parking issues, on top of finding new ways to improve the parking on campus.

They also plan to continue working on improving accessi-



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Presidential candidate Lena Mishack (right) and running mate Jousef Shkoukani discussed their platform and answered questions at the forum.

bility in residence halls and other on-campus buildings. One new aspect they want to try implementing would be a text number or website where students can submit their complaints if a building is deemed inaccessible to those who are handicapped.

Lastly, Mishack and Shkoukani plan to work with Oakland's incoming president in the fall.

"We have a good relationship with the administration," Mishack said. "However, we're not opposed to sit-ins or petitions."

The two plan to have monthly

meetings with the president, where they will bring up important issues and try to help the president realize just how special Oakland's on-campus culture is. The main goal of the meetings to showing the new president what OU is really all about.

The official election reveal will take place at noon on March 31 in Lake Superior Room B of the OC. Students are welcome to attend and should be on the lookout for future OUSC events in the new administration.

Conference aims to help students launch careers

Amy Swanson
Staff Reporter

Students are invited to learn how to prepare for life after college at the Student to Professional Conference on March 3.

From 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., attendees will get the chance to hear from experienced individuals on a variety of career-related topics, discussing the skills needed to succeed in today's professional world.

Held in the Banquet Rooms of the Oakland Center, the conference will be free and open to all Oakland University students. It's an annual event that has been held the last seven years.

Olivia Snyder, communication and marketing intern for the Student to Professional Conference, has worked diligently to rebrand and market the event as more fresh and appealing to students.

She said all majors and class standings can benefit from what will be taught during the sessions.

"[Attendees] will have a chance to learn all of these things from skilled professionals from our local community, so it is a great chance to make connections that could one day land you a job as well," Snyder said.

John Cebelak is another member of the steering committee that organized the conference.

"As an academic adviser in the First Year Advising Center, I regularly receive ques-

tions from first-year students about their prospective career options and paths," he said.

Cebelak reflected on his own experiences, as it took a while for him to find the right career path. This led him to his best advice: explore different opportunities and be receptive to insight from those who care. He wishes he had attended something similar to the Student to Professional Conference as an undergraduate student.

"The uncertainty of life after college is scary for a lot of students, and the [Student to Professional] Conference is designed to help not only ease the transition from college to the 'working world,' but to prepare students for success in the 'working world' once they graduate," Cebelak said.

The first 200 registered students to attend will receive a free shirt, professional notebook and tote bag. Business casual apparel is recommended.

To sign up, visit <https://www.oakland.edu/careerservices/s2p>.

The schedule

The conference will begin with an hour-long employer networking event. Students can practice their networking skills by speaking with representatives from Quicken Loans, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, Sedgwick and the Oakland University Credit Union.

Lunch will be provided at noon, during which the keynote speaker, David

McGhee, will present. An OU alumnus, McGhee joined the Association of Fundraising Professionals and is now the program director leading its youth development strategy.

The rest of the day breaks down into three sessions, each offering three or four different presentations for students to choose from.

Session One

During session one, which begins at 1:20 p.m., students can attend "A Complete Guide to Graduate School," which will discuss how to apply to, pay for and transition into grad school education.

In "Can You Afford Your Job? The Hidden Costs You Need to Know," Greg Jordan, director of University Recreation and Well-Being, will discuss the factors students should consider if they think they may be paying too much in hidden costs.

Students can also attend a "Job Search Crash Course," given by Paloma Shah, senior campus and corporate recruiter at Rehmann.

"Secrets to Career Success for Millennials" will discuss how to successfully transition from a college student to a professional. It will be led by recent graduate Stephen Parker, engineer and OU recruiting team lead at FCA Fiat Chrysler Automobiles.

Session Two

The second session begins at 2:10 p.m.

with "Dear Stress, Let's Break Up: Managing Stress in the Workplace." Becky Lewis, assistant director of programs for OU Rec Well, will instruct on different health and fitness techniques to keep cool.

Over 80 percent of today's jobs are scored through networking, according to the Career Services website. Students can take advantage of expert advice during "Networking 101: It's Not What You Know, But Who Knows You," run by Kevin Mill and Chris Griffin of Keller Williams.

Students can also discover their personal interview styles with Jeff Kalinowski, lead for world class manufacturing communications at FCA Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, in "Impactful Interviewing: Make an Impression that Lasts."

Session Three

Starting at 3:10 p.m., the third session gives attendees a chance to hear from past OU students during "Young Alumni Panel: What REALLY Happens After Graduation."

Or, they can learn how to capitalize on what Career Services calls "the most popular professional social networking site of today" at "How to Write a Stellar LinkedIn Profile: Your Virtual Resume" with Jesi Foltz-Goike, lead executive recruiter for Target.

A "Resume Lab" will also run during the third session. A maximum of 10 students can have their resume reviewed by experts on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Oprah voice You get a tampon, and you get a tampon!

Katerina Mihailidis
Intern Reporter

On Feb. 6, the Oakland University Student Congress supplied all on-campus women's restrooms with free tampons and pads. By Feb. 7, the feminine products were gone.

In the beginning of February, Margaret Merogi, OUSC's director of Student Services, received a text message from a feminine student complaining about the availability of female products in the women's restrooms.

Merogi set out to test the tampon and pad dispensers around campus, and almost all of the ones she tested proved to be broken or useless. She said this sparked an idea.

"The next day, I put it in my budget [to buy tampons and pads for OU students]," Merogi said.

OUSC was supportive of the decision.

By Feb. 6, all the restrooms had OUSC-funded baskets full of free tampons and pads. Merogi and Adam George, OUSC's Financial Affairs director, handled all the orders from Sam's Club.

The following day, however, when Merogi went to refill the baskets in the Oakland Center bathrooms, the tampons, pads and baskets were removed.

Merogi said a friendly janitor informed her that the products needed approval before any sort of distribution.

"It was a misunderstanding," Merogi said.

She didn't know approval was necessary, but it is required so maintenance staff isn't found accountable for the condition of the products.

Approval wasn't hard to get. A

week later, on Feb. 13, the tampons and pads were redistributed to the women's restrooms of the Oakland Center. However, there was no time to get approval for product distribution in restrooms in the other on-campus buildings before spring break, according to Merogi.

For now, the tampons and pads rest in the OUSC office, 62 Oakland Center. OUSC has a supply of feminine products large enough to last the rest of the semester.

"We call it the 'Tampon Tower,'" Merogi said. "Boxes upon boxes upon boxes are sitting in our office, waiting until we get approval."

Prior to approval, concerns about whether women will be disrespectful of this new arrangement were presented to Merogi. She is hopeful that women will not take advantage



Nowshin Chowdhury / The Oakland Post

OUSC has a tower of tampons and pads stored in the office to refill the baskets in the women's restrooms.

of the free products.

"I believe in women," she said. "There are going to be a few who take the whole basket — I'm aware of that. I honestly believe [women] will be respectful."

The "Tampon Tower" distribution is a classic example of how OUSC Student Services work, Merogi said. A student's

concern becomes a priority, and those who reach out are heard.

If feminine products in a particular restroom are running low or if there are any other concerns, Merogi urges students to contact OUSC's text-suggestion number at (248) 957-1665 or email her directly at mtmerogi@oakland.edu.



Taylor Stinson / The Oakland Post

Learning management programmer Matt Switlik tests out the new virtual reality program purchased by e-Learning and Instructional Support.

OU enters virtual reality field

e-LIS looks for ways to incorporate new simulator into campus curriculum

Laurel Kraus
Staff Reporter

Imagine stepping into an elevator and feeling it ascend higher and higher. When it stops, the doors open up to the top of a skyscraper overlooking New York City. A two-by-four plank is hanging off the side of the building, far above the streets below, and on the very edge of it is a small kitten waiting to be rescued.

For most people, this experience is rather unobtainable. However, the opportunity to feel as though one has lived through experiences like this is becoming vastly more accessible.

After purchasing Vive, a \$799 virtual reality simulator, Oakland University's Department of e-Learning and Instructional Support held an open house for its virtual reality lab in fall 2016.

The lab consists of a 4-meter-by-3-meter space with cameras on the walls that paint the room with infrared, as well as computer monitors outside of the space that allow others to see what the player is seeing.

Users wear a headset and hold two controllers to enter the world of their choice.

A small camera at the front of the headset gives the player the option of seeing the real world as well. If the player wishes to be fully immersed without seeing the real world, a safeguard is built in. If the player gets too close to a wall, a

virtual net will appear in the visual field as a warning.

Although they must be purchased separately, Vive offers a variety of games and simulations.

From experiencing an underwater whale encounter to defending a castle through archery to warding off zombies, the simulator provides games of make-believe likely past one's wildest expectations.

Vive also offers many educational options, which are what e-LIS plans to pursue as early as the next month.

Simulation scenarios can be alternatives to academic practices, such as medical students' use of cadavers.

"... We get an anatomy app where we can go in there and pay for it once, [medical students] can use it anytime," e-LIS Director Shaun Moore said. "They can use it as much as they want. It can be as realistic, just about."

Foreign-language students could use Vive as a way to communicate with counterparts across the world who are learning English.

There are also options for communication majors, such as a simulation called "Keep Talking and Nobody Explodes." In this scenario, one player puts on the headset and enters virtual reality, while the other participants sit near him or her.

The player in the game experiences a live bomb and must explain what he or she is seeing well enough that the other

participants can flip through a book on disarming bombs and talk the player through it.

Students taking public speaking classes could also have the ability to enter a virtual reality scenario that puts them in front of a large crowd of people.

Simulations like Tilt Brush could allow art majors to draw in 3-D, and other programs could let engineering or architecture students build virtual structures.

Those pursuing a psychology degree could study their classmates' reactions to living out their phobias, such as spiders or Richie's Plank Experience, the kitten rescue scenario.

"That is something I've noticed with VR, is it immerses people so much that they actually have really authentic emotional reactions to things," said Matt Switlik, learning management programmer for e-LIS, who Moore described as "the resident VR expert."

Although there may be some concerns about virtual reality's side effects, according to Switlik, it normally should not cause nausea. However, if individuals spend an hour or two in a simulation, it may confuse their depth perception in the real world.

Moore reported that there is a possibility of a much larger lab with multiple Vive setups in the future if the need arises.

e-LIS invites any staff or professors interested in collaboration to email Shaun Moore at samoore@oakland.edu.

POLICE BRIEFS

Where am I?

At 3:06 a.m. on Feb. 8, the Oakland University Police Department was dispatched to P11. The incident started off as a simple welfare check on a driver who was leaning over the steering wheel. The car was also illegally parked. The officers knocked on the window and shined a flashlight, but the driver did not respond. They opened the door and helped the driver regain consciousness. They asked him if he was OK. He was completely unaware of where he was and who he was interacting with. The officers noticed bloodshot eyes and asked the driver to step out of the vehicle. The driver responded "20" when the officers asked if he had consumed any alcohol. Officers searched his vehicle and discovered an empty bottle of vodka, marijuana in a baby food jar, fabric softener sheets and an empty toilet paper roll. The officers confiscated 3.7 grams of marijuana, an e-cigarette that reeked of marijuana, a pipe and a metal grinder. The officers handcuffed the man and put him under arrest.

Road rage gone rogue

OUPD officers were sent to P36 on Feb. 2 after receiving reports of a fight. When the officers arrived, other officers were escorting a man in handcuffs to a patrol car. The man had driven in the parking lane, which was narrow due to snow. A white car pulled up directly next to him. He gestured to the white car to back up. The two drivers started yelling. At one point, the man who would later be arrested said he was there first and pulled his vehicle closer. He then put his car into park and got his backpack out of the trunk. The passenger of the white car attacked him. The man who was arrested stated he was punched and knocked over by the passenger. He had his head repeatedly punched and slammed against the ground. When he stood up, his face was covered in blood. He was then taken in for questioning. When the attacker got out of the car, he claimed he had asked the other driver to move his car. Then the other driver grabbed him by the shirt and said, "What are you going to do about it?" The victim claimed he was defending himself, and his story was consistent with recordings from a surveillance camera. Ultimately, charges weren't pressed.

Compiled by Robert Ogg
Staff Reporter

TEDx conference all about connections

Tickets go on sale March 1 at CSA window

Amy Swanson
Staff Reporter

The annual TEDx conference at Oakland University will be unlike those previously held, following the nontraditional TEDx Salon format. The gathering will host only three speakers.

Typically, TEDx conferences do not encourage audience participation during presentations because the events are more about listening and learning.

"A TEDx Salon is smaller, less formal and less structured," said Amy Rutledge, co-head of the event's steering committee.

"In fact, the hallmark of TEDx Salon is lively, interactive, focused discussions where attendees actively participate in the event/conversation. Think of it as a gathering with the smartest people you know."

This year's theme is connections. Each speaker has a link to OU and will delve

into the importance of connections — whether to others, the community or oneself.

Joining the panel is Terri Orbuch, also known as "The Love Doctor."

In addition to being a professor of sociology at OU, she is an internationally recognized and widely published relationship expert.

She uses a simple and scientific approach in her advice, according to her website. Orbuch will lead a discussion on connecting with others and building successful long-term relationships.

Also speaking is OU alumnus Nicholas Kristock, former international professional soccer player turned entrepreneur and servant leader.

He has founded three nonprofit organizations, and is currently executive director of Fleece & Thank You, which allows donors to make comforting fleece blankets and video messages for children battling long-term illnesses.

Kristock will focus on ways to connect

to the community and make the world a better place.

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Amy Rutledge
Co-head, steering committee

Finally, sharing her uplifting journey is former Detroit radio host Lisa Jesswein, who has remained positive despite being a two-time kidney transplant recipient, cancer survivor and divorcee.

Jesswein will coach attendees on connecting with their inner selves, overcoming

fears and navigating setbacks.

This will be the third TEDx conference hosted by OU. Previous conferences followed the traditional format, with a combination of speakers, videos and a lab area where people could get hands-on experience and access to new ideas.

Audience members should go into this event expecting to take part in meaningful conversation and learn something new.

"We want to engage our students into thinking about ideas they may never encounter in their classes," Rutledge said.

The TEDx Salon is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on March 27 in the Oakland Center Banquet Rooms.

Tickets cost \$10 and go on sale March 1 at the Center for Student Activities and Leadership Development's service window in the basement of the Oakland Center.

The conference sold out last year and will be in a smaller venue this year, so those who are interested should buy their tickets early.

For more information on the event, visit <http://tedxoaklanduniversity.com>.

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- Represents The Post on the SAFAC board
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- Works in cooperation with Post advisers
- Is a leader

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- Applications accepted through March 15, 2017. Position effective April 2017 for the 2017-18 academic year.

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- Give copy editors feedback and corrections on pages

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THE BASKETBALL BLITZ

Melissa Deatsch
Sports Editor

MEN'S BASKETBALL

With the Horizon League title on the line, the Oakland men's basketball team secured two wins to finish up the regular season.

Oakland vs. Green Bay

Up first on the team's road trip was University of Wisconsin-Green Bay on Feb. 24. The Phoenix had defeated the Golden Grizzlies pretty handily when the two teams met on the Blacktop earlier in the season on Jan. 27, but weren't as fortunate this time around.

Behind high-quality performances from the upperclassmen, Oakland earned an 85-72 victory over UWGB.

After heading to the locker room down 4 at halftime, the Golden Grizzlies got to work in the second half, shooting 58 percent from the field and 41.7 percent from three. Freshman Brailen Neely hit a 3-pointer to start the half, and the teams battled closely until the Golden Grizzlies were able to separate in the last five minutes of the game.

Jalen Hayes was the leading scorer with 22 points and 10 rebounds. Additionally, Sherron Dorsey-Walker added 19 points, going 6-for-11 from the field and 3-for-7 from three.

Rounding out the upperclassmen efforts was Martez Walker, who garnered 17 points and six re-

bounds, shooting 5-for-12 from the field.

Oakland vs. Milwaukee

After Valparaiso went down to Northern Kentucky, the league title came down to Oakland's final regular season game against the Milwaukee Panthers. The Black and Gold capitalized on that opportunity and executed an 86-75 win to bring its final Horizon League record to 14-4 and lock in the top seed in the Horizon League tournament.

Dorsey-Walker clearly came ready to play, draining three 3-pointers in a row to give Oakland its first 9 points of the day. He followed that effort by totaling a career-high eight 3-pointers and adding a career-best 28 points toward the team's total.

Walker added 21 points for Oakland, sinking four 3-pointers. Altogether, the team hit a season-high 13 3-pointers, shooting 50 percent from behind the arc.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The women's basketball team finished up its Horizon League regular season with a pair of games in Ohio. Oakland took home both wins, polishing off the regular season with a five-game win streak heading into Motor City Madness.

Oakland vs. Youngstown State

On Feb. 23, the Golden Grizzlies took on the Penguins, soaring to an 80-58 victory on Youngstown

State's home court. The 22-point margin marks Oakland's fourth consecutive win by 20 points or more.

Taylor Jones led the floor with 26 points for Oakland, shooting 9-for-17. Senior Nola Anderson contributed 14 points and a season-high eight rebounds. Leah Somerfield closely followed with 13 points and six rebounds.

The Golden Grizzlies established their lead early, finishing the first quarter up 22-8. From there, Oakland never looked back and came out victorious.

Oakland vs. Cleveland State

Though they couldn't keep the 20-point margin win streak alive, Oakland finished up the regular season by taking care of Cleveland State University with a final score of 93-79 on Feb. 25.

The win put them at 12-6 in the Horizon League to complete the regular season.

Oakland had three players light up offensively, scoring more than 20 points apiece toward the team's total. Jones finished with 26 for herself, closely followed by Somerfield's 25, and Taylor Gleason rounded out the trio, adding 21 points.

The victory secured the No. 4 seed for Motor City Madness, which begins March 3.

For more in-depth game coverage, visit www.oaklandpostonline.com.

Men crowned regular season champions

Melissa Deatsch
Sports Editor

In spectacular comeback fashion, the Oakland University men's basketball team has captured the 2016-2017 Horizon League regular season championship. Oakland solidified its share of the title with an 86-75 win over the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee on Feb. 26.

Sherron Dorsey-Walker led the way for the Golden Grizzlies, draining a career-high eight 3-pointers and totaling a career-best 28 points in the win over the Panthers. Martez Walker followed closely with 21 points and seven rebounds.

After a close first-half battle ended with a 39-39 tie heading into the break, the Golden Grizzlies pulled ahead in the second half and never looked back.

The Golden Grizzlies started off Horizon League play strong with a 4-0 start. But after suffering defeat to rival University of Detroit Mercy on Jan. 13, Oakland entered a tailspin that made many fans and even head coach Greg Kampe skeptical that they'd be able to recover.

During a six-game stretch that included three more conference losses and a couple of sloppy wins over Northern Kentucky and Milwaukee, Kampe admitted to viewing a regular season championship as out-of-reach in the postgame press conference after the team's loss to Green Bay on Jan. 27.

"How many of our fans believed when we walked off the floor against Cleveland State that night that we would win the championship?" Kampe asked during his postgame GrizzVision interview with Neal Ruhl. "While that disappointed me, maybe it helped us motivate us."

What followed that Green Bay game, however, was a nine-game win streak to close out the regular season for the Golden Grizzlies. Valparaiso remained on the top of the league, but on Feb. 17, Oakland completed the series with a sweep over the Crusaders.

"I feel like we were able to

find ourselves," Dorsey-Walker said. "We saw the things that were beating us, which was turnovers, not playing defense and taking bad shots... and we just refocused. We made sure we were having fun playing, and I feel like that was a big part of us going on this win streak."

On the final day of Horizon League play, Valparaiso fell to Northern Kentucky 82-78, surrendering its one-game lead to the Golden Grizzlies.

Dorsey-Walker said the team didn't know the results of the Valparaiso game while they fought for the win against the Panthers. They were just taking care of business.

"We knew they were going up against a tough opponent," Dorsey-Walker said. "But we were just focusing on what we needed to do and not worrying about whether they won."

With today's win over Milwaukee, Oakland and Valparaiso conclude the regular season with matching records of 14-4 in conference play. That series sweep gives Oakland the tiebreaker and the No. 1 seed in the upcoming Horizon League tournament.

"It means everything," Dorsey-Walker said. "I came to Oakland... I wanted to continue the traditions at Oakland. To finish off my career with a championship for Oakland means everything... We want that conference [Motor City Madness] championship next week, so I feel like this was just another step in where we're trying to go."

With the No. 1 seed secured, the Golden Grizzlies now shift their focus to the highly anticipated Motor City Madness Tournament. Play begins Friday, March 3, when the bottom-four teams in the league will face off to determine who will take on the top-seeded Golden Grizzlies and Crusaders.

Oakland will matchup against the winner of the game between Cleveland State and Youngstown State.

At 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 4, the Black and Gold will take the floor of the Joe Louis Arena, in hopes of finishing what they've started.



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Sherron-Dorsey Walker celebrated Senior Night with a 101-72 win over Youngstown State.

Motor City Madness tournament is on the horizon

Men received No. 1 seed, while women took No. 4, both teams determined to succeed

Melissa Deutsch
Sports Editor

After months of anticipation and weeks of Horizon League teams battling it out, the bracket is finally set, and the time for Motor City Madness has arrived.

The tournament begins March 3 and runs through March 7 at the Joe Louis Arena in Detroit. The men's and women's games will be intermixed throughout the Horizon League's five-day stay at the Joe.

All 10 league teams play in the tournament, with the bottom four battling out on day one to play the top two seeds in the quarterfinals.

The men's tournament

In its regular season championship, the Golden Grizzlies earned the No. 1 seed for Motor City Madness. The team finished 14-4 in the Horizon League, tying Valparaiso's record. Oakland won the head-to-head tiebreaker thanks to a two-game sweep of the Crusaders this season.

This sets the Golden Grizzlies to begin tournament play at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 4. They will play the winner of Friday's matchup between No. 8 Cleveland State and No. 9 Youngstown State.

Senior Sherron Dorsey-Walker said the team has no preference as to who they see in the quarterfinals.

"At this point, we're familiar with every team," Dorsey-Walker said. "We are going to take whoever wins and go out there and try and dominate, play well and stick to our game plan."

Oakland split the series against the Cleveland State Vikings this season, after taking a bad loss at home (76-65) on Jan. 16. The Golden Grizzlies fought back, managing a narrow victory when they visited Cleveland on Feb. 4, when Oakland took the win 53-51.

The Golden Grizzlies swept the Penguins handily this season with a 90-76 win in Youngstown, Ohio, on Feb. 2. They followed that up with a 101-72 victory Rochester a couple

weeks later on Feb. 21.

The winner of Saturday's matchup will go on to the semifinals against either No. 4 Northern Kentucky or No. 5 Wright State. As for Oakland's biggest rivals, University of Detroit Mercy and Valparaiso, the Golden Grizzlies won't see either of them until the championship game.

Oakland is on a nine-game win streak headed into the Horizon League tournament. Despite this, it'll take more to win the tournament, Dorsey-Walker said.

"It's a great thing," he said. "We've got great momentum. But I feel like the season starts over right now. We're confident, but at the end of the day, we've gotta take it one at a time."

Valparaiso, which shared the league title with Oakland but will enter the tournament as the No. 2 seed, has played the last two games without its best player, Alec Peters. Peters averages 23 points and 10.1 rebounds per game for the Crusaders. ESPN's Jeff Goodman reported that Peters was diagnosed with a stress reaction in his leg and is optimistic that he'll be able to play in the tournament.

The women's tournament

Just like on the men's side, the regular season championships came down to the last day of play.

A University of Wisconsin-Green Bay victory combined with a Wright State loss tied up those two teams' records, making UWGB and Wright State share the championship, but giving UWGB the top seed in the Motor City Madness tournament.

After a strong finish to the Horizon League regular season, the Golden Grizzlies earned the No. 4 seed for Motor City Madness. The women won't take the court until the third day of play, facing Milwaukee at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 5 in the quarterfinals.

This is the first year that the women will be included in Motor City Madness at the Joe Louis Arena, which Nola Anderson



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The men's basketball team enters the Motor City Madness tournament on March 4 as the No. 1 seed.

said will be incredible for her and her teammates.

"It's a wonderful experience because this is the first time the boys and girls are at one site, and it's just going to be a great student-athlete experience," she said. "I've played in big arenas before . . . and we've played in big stadiums, so the fact that it's downtown Detroit, I think it's going to feel just like home."

Oakland swept the Panthers this season with a narrow 2-point victory in Milwaukee on Jan. 11 and a strong 77-63 win on the Blacktop on Feb. 4.

"It's always hard to beat a team three times," Anderson said. "But I'm feeling pretty confident . . . It's always a great game when we play Milwaukee, and I love playing them because we always compete."

Sunday's winner will go on to the semifinals against either top-seeded Green Bay or their quarterfinal opponent, which will be determined on Friday.

One of Green Bay's three losses in conference play came from the Golden Grizzlies on Feb. 2 (74-71), thanks to a Sha'Keya Graves layup in the final seconds of the game.

ATHLETICS FUNDS MOTOR CITY MADNESS TICKETS FOR STUDENTS

Katie LaDuke
Staff Reporter

Motor City Madness is fast approaching. The Horizon League Tournament for both the men's and women's basketball teams starts on Friday, March 3 and lasts until Tuesday, March 7 at the Joe Louis Arena. All 10 teams in the conference will battle to become the next Horizon League Champion.

This year, thanks to Oakland University Athletics, students will be offered a select number of tickets and transportation to see the games in the heart of Detroit. Athletic Director Jeff Konya made the arrangements.

"We are looking at about 200 tickets available for each session, which will be no cost to students that sign up for the tickets and take the bus to the games," Konya said.

Students could head to the Oakland Athletics ticket window in the O'rena to sign up for the tickets beginning at 9 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 27. All students must bring to sign up is their student IDs. The first 100 signees will also receive bus transportation to the games.

The tickets will give the students access to both the men's game at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday and the women's game at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday.

"I think, last year, the students and fans did a great job of supporting the Black and Gold," Konya said. "I think this is one of the reasons we want to take advantage of having the tournament relatively close by. I hope we have a great turnout this year to support our teams."

As teams advance, 200 additional tickets will be given away for those games. Check the Golden Grizzlies' social media accounts for updates. For more information on how to get tickets for Motor City Madness, visit the Oakland Center or the O'rena this week.

MEN'S 2017 HORIZON LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET

GAME 3
FRIDAY, MARCH 3 @ 5:30 P.M.

GAME 4
FRIDAY, MARCH 3 @ 8 P.M.

GAME 7
SATURDAY, MARCH 4 @ 5:30 P.M.

GAME 8
SATURDAY, MARCH 4 @ 8 P.M.

GAME 11
SUNDAY, MARCH 5 @ 5 P.M.

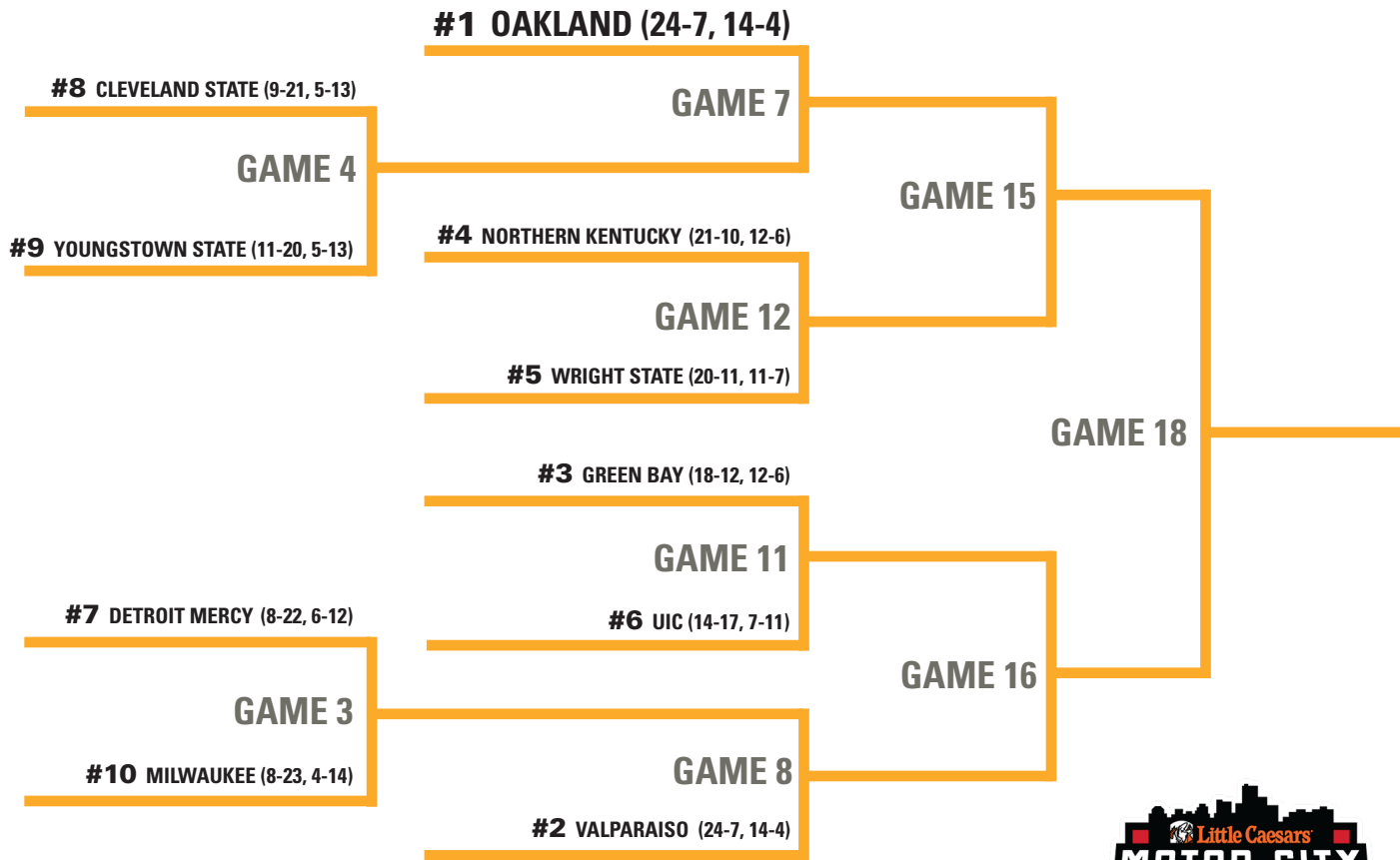
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SUNDAY, MARCH 5 @ 7:30 P.M.

GAME 15
MONDAY, MARCH 6 @ 7 P.M.

GAME 16
MONDAY, MARCH 6 @ 9:30 P.M.

GAME 18
TUESDAY, MARCH 7 @ 7 P.M.

Bracket design by Megan Carson



WOMEN'S 2017 HORIZON LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET

GAME 1
FRIDAY, MARCH 3 @ NOON

GAME 2
FRIDAY, MARCH 3 @ 2:30 P.M.

GAME 5
SATURDAY, MARCH 4 @ 11:30 A.M.

GAME 6
SATURDAY, MARCH 4 @ 2 P.M.

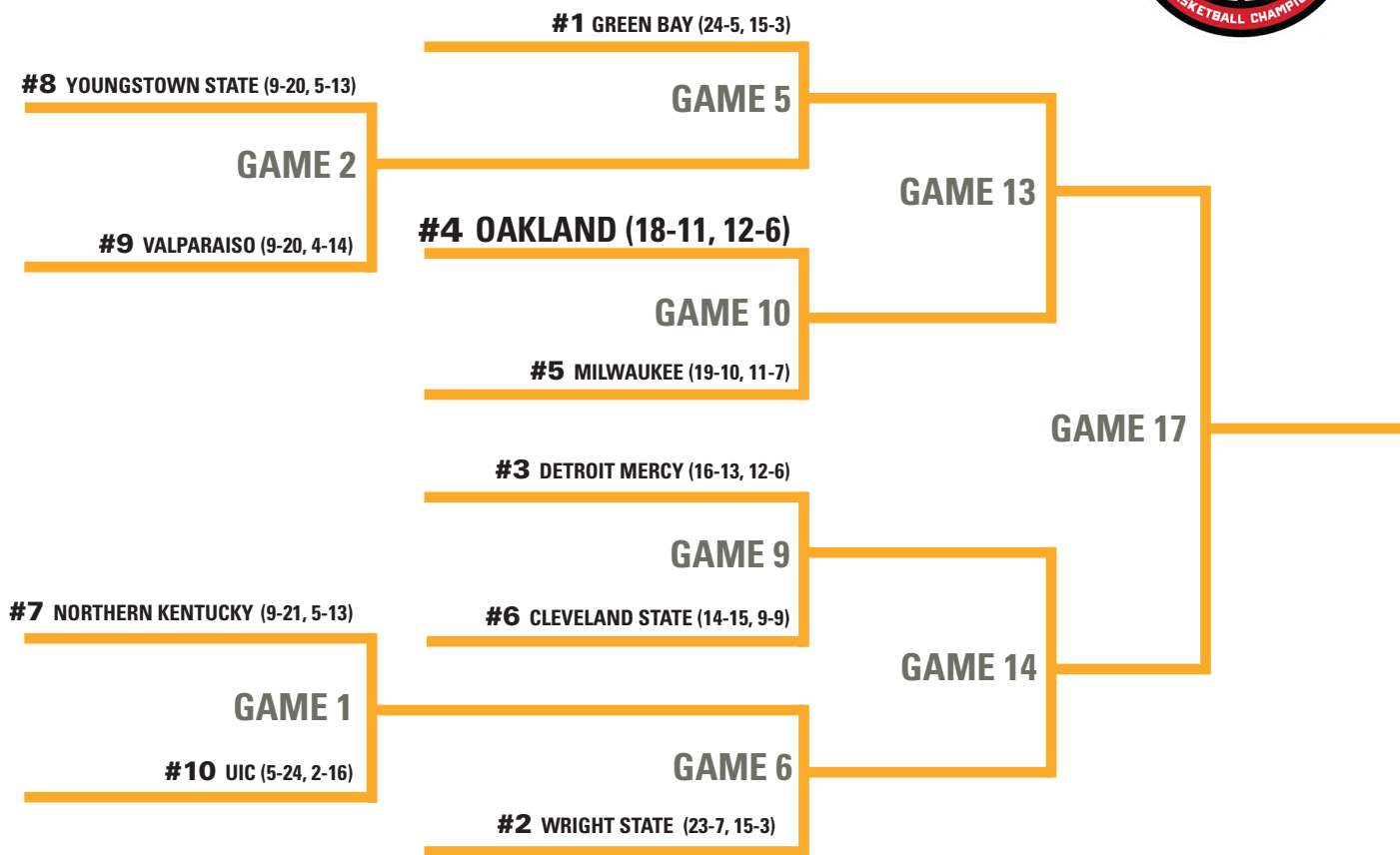
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GAME 10
SUNDAY, MARCH 5 @ 2:30 P.M.

GAME 13
MONDAY, MARCH 6 @ 1 P.M.

GAME 14
MONDAY, MARCH 6 @ 3:30 P.M.

GAME 17
TUESDAY, MARCH 7 @ NOON



Both teams champions again

Christian Miller
Staff Reporter

The 2017 Horizon League Swim and Dive Championships was one for the record books.

Oakland men's and women's teams finished with unparalleled scores of 839.50 and 842.50, respectively. Taking 22 of 40 events, Oakland triumphed in the water.

Wednesday, Feb. 22

During the first day of competition at Flames Natatorium in Chicago, Oakland took three Horizon League titles.

For the women's team, Patricia Aschan, Arynn de Leeuw, Alysse Fischer and Holly Morren gathered a Horizon League title in the 800 freestyle relay with a time of 7:21.25.

The men's team was responsible for taking the other two Horizon League titles that day.

Losing the 200-medley relay title to Cleveland State last year, Paul Huch, Tony Eriksson, Tuomas Kiviluoma and Jeremiah Morren regained it for Oakland, finishing at 1:26.47.

The men's team wrapped up the day with the 800-yard freestyle relay. After 6:32.30, the men's team finished first, claiming the league title.

Thursday, Feb. 23

Day two was the day of champions, with six Golden Grizzlies winning individual titles.

Aschan (200 IM), Micah DeJonge (500 free), Kiviluoma (200 IM), Holly Morren (50 free), Jeremiah Morren (50 free) and Joe Smith (1-meter diving) reigned for Oakland.

Smith's first career diving title came with a score of 340.60, while Aschan's time of 2:00.72 allowed her to take the 200 IM for a third consecutive year. Also competing in the 200 IM, Kiviluoma finished the event at 1:46.88.

DeJonge became the fourth consecutive Golden Grizzly to win the 500 free and claimed her first career title.

The Morren siblings demolished existing records. Holly Morren's first career title came in the 50 free when she broke the pool, school and league re-



Photo courtesy of John Konstantaras

The men's and women's teams won their 39th and 23rd titles, respectively.

cords, clocking a time of 22.58. Her time made her the third swimmer in conference history to finish that event in under 23 seconds.

Complementing his sister's accolades, Jeremiah Morren won the men's 50 free for the third year straight. Colwell, de Leeuw, Amber Lefler, and Morren completed the day with a school-record performance of 1:31.50 in the 200 free relay.

Friday, Feb. 24

Placing five swimmers in the women's top eight for the 400-IM and the men's 200 free, Oakland demonstrated its depth. Four Golden Grizzlies also placed in the top eight in the women's 100 breaststroke.

Winning an additional individual title for her time of 4:15.06 in the 400 IM, Aschan became the first woman to win the event four years in a row.

Martin also joined the annals of history when she wrapped up the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:01.22, accompanying teammate Rachel Waite as the only two women in program history to complete the event in under 1:02.

In the women's 400-medley relay, Shinske, Martin, Aschan and Colwell took first with 3:41.51. Adding to the men's accomplishments, Patrik Lofgren earned his first individual championship title going 3:54.73 in the 400 IM.

Kiviluoma won again with a 1:37.32 time in the 200 freestyle.

Saturday, Feb. 25

Holly Morren set a new pool,

school and league record in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 49.14. Waite also contributed to the women's awards and set a new school record with her 2:11.94 performance in the 200 breaststroke.

Smith's victory on the 3-meter board made him the first male diver in Oakland's history to sweep diving at the Horizon League Championships.

Also sweeping events, Aleksander Danielewski claimed the men's 200 backstroke title with his time of 1:45.56

In the end, Oakland toppled their opponents, earning 39 and 23 straight league titles for the men's and women's teams, respectively.

"I enjoyed my last day of the competition the most," Aschan said. "It is such an honor to know that I have been able to break some of the records that have been set by the best swimmers of Oakland history."

Oakland head coach Pete Hovland weighed in on the role of the veterans this season.

"We have a special group of eight men and eight women, all seniors, that really established the culture and set the stage of excellence," Hovland said. "They led right from the beginning."

With the season wrapped up, Aschan speculated on the program's future.

"I hope that my class has set an example for the rest of the team and that they will want to follow in our footsteps," she said. "There is a lot of talent in the team, and I truly believe that they will do amazing next year."

THE SPORTING BLITZ

Baseball at ETS: The Golden Grizzlies lost to the East Tennessee State Bucs 10-2 in game one of the series on Feb. 21. Zach Sterry went 2-for-4 with one RBI and a double, sending Myles Zilinsky home.

In game two, Oakland fell to the Bucs 7-9 after 12 innings, with the teams tied at 5 at the end of the ninth inning. Zach Sterry recorded his first multihomer game of the season, hitting two home runs to go with three RBIs. Tyler Pagano finished the game going 2-for-5, recording two runs and a double.

Baseball at ECU: Oakland travelled to Eastern Kentucky University to compete in a three-day game series Feb. 24-26. On day one, Oakland fell to ECU 3-2. Jake Lee threw a career-high 11 strikeouts over 7.0 innings.

On the second day, Oakland lost to ECU 2-1. Tyler Palm threw 6.0 innings, allowing just three hits, one earned run and striking out seven batters to tie his career high. On the final day of the series, the Golden Grizzlies lost 9-4. Tyler Janish extended his hitting streak to seven games with a double in the fifth inning.

Women's tennis in Florida: The women's tennis team travelled to Florida Feb. 24-27 to take on a variety of opponents.

Oakland fell to Keiser University 5-2 on Feb. 24. Samantha Galloway and Sofia Borcuti picked up singles wins for Oakland. Galloway picked up a win in straight sets 6-0, 6-1, to move to 3-1 when competing in the No. 4 singles spot. Amanda Nilsson and Daria Artamonova picked up the first doubles win of the afternoon, defeating the No. 9 opponent 6-2.

The Golden Grizzlies defeated Florida A&M with a 7-0 win. Artamonova and Nilsson won their doubles match, 6-2 and Allison Motea and Nilsson secured Oakland's double point with a 6-1 win. Friday's match marked the first time the Golden Grizzlies (2-4) have earned the doubles point this season.

Oakland split day three in Orlando with a 7-0 loss to Florida Atlantic and a 4-3 win against Presbyterian College on Feb. 26.

On their final day in Florida, the Golden Grizzlies dropped the match to Stetson 7-0 on Feb. 27. Artamonova and Nilsson picked up a win in doubles play Monday as the Oakland Tennis team fell to Stetson (1-7).

Softball Citrus Classic: Erin Kownacki tossed her second complete game shutout with four strikeouts to lead Oakland to a 1-0 win over Ball State at the Citrus Classic on Friday, Feb. 24. In the nightcap, the Golden

Grizzlies fell to Liberty University 7-1.

The Golden Grizzlies split the final day of the Citrus Classic on Feb. 25. Kaley Waalkes threw 8.0 strong innings, allowing four runs, three earned and struck out six to lead Oakland to a 7-4 win in nine innings over Morgan State.

In game two of the day, Fordham's Madison Aughinbaugh tossed a one-hit shutout, striking out four to lead the Rams past the Golden Grizzlies 2-0.

Track at YSU: Track and Field travelled to Youngstown State to compete in the indoor championships Feb. 25-26. The men's team recorded its highest league finish for indoor or outdoor season in program history, finishing second with 157 points. The women finished third with 138 points.

Day one saw four first-place finishes for the Golden Grizzlies, along with three record-breaking performances. Dana Tessmer won pole vault with a mark of 12 feet, 4.5 inches, breaking her own school record. Jacob Bowman won the 5000m with his time of 14:32.59, while Sammy Mondy's time of 17:23.56 won her gold for the women's.

The women's distance relay team of Rachel Levy, Odette Ingall, Kailey Weingartz and Ashley Burr won first place in 12:18.42 to round out the first-place finishes on day one.

On day two, Bryce Stroede took home first in the mile with 4:09.23. Corey Goodloe took first in the 400m dash with 48.84 and Austin Dawn's time of 1:55.68 was good to take home gold in the 800m.

Lydia Stanley finished first in the 800m for the women with a time of 2:14.25. Both team's 4x400 teams won gold and set new records in the event. For the women, it was Andrea Koenigsnecht, Stanley, Sydney Sterling and Chanel Gardner with a time of 3:52.28. For the men, Zach Joyce, Tré Brown, Austin Davis and Goodloe won the event with 3:17.08.

For full coverage of the event, visit www.oaklandpostonline.com.

The Golden Grizzlies will open the outdoor season on March 24-25 at the Raleigh Relays and Tennessee Invite.

Men's Golf at Wexford Plantation: Feb. 27-28 Oakland finished in 15th place with an overall score of 916 (+52) in the Wexford Men's Golf Intercollegiate on Feb. 27-28. The Golden Grizzlies shot their lowest score of the tournament on the final day with a 10-over-par score of 298.

Marc Norton posted a team-best tie for 19th-place finish with an overall score of 223 (+7).

— Compiled by Christian Miller & AuJenee Hirsch, staff reporters



Courtesy of Gabbie Helm

Volunteers from Habitat for Humanity went down to Florida over spring break to help build homes.

Habitat for Humanity takes on Florida

Going on a Collegiate Challenge, Oakland University students spent their spring break building

Ethan Fogle
Staff Reporter

For most college students, Spring Break means going to some warm destination, partying all week and drinking one too many.



It was a bit different for me and other members of Oakland University's Habitat for Humanity, who typically volunteer for HFH of Oakland County.

We traveled to Florida for a Collegiate Challenge through HFH. All participating students knew that what they were doing was helping someone who can't afford

a home buy one. Everyone has a different answer as to why they volunteer.

"I enjoy the building aspect and truly enjoy helping people," Oakland's HFH treasurer Shane Jackson said.

"We don't build houses, we build homes," HFH vice president Taylor Hagel said. "That's their slogan, and that's what I believe. Learning new skills is also something I enjoy."

The drive began at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 19 on Oakland's campus and ended in Vero Beach, Florida, 21 hours later. The car ride was long, but the smell of the beach and 80-degree weather was an instant re-

ward and almost worth the trip itself.

Arriving Sunday morning, we lodged in a home nestled in one of the subdivisions built by Indian River HFH.

Volunteering began Monday, when we first went to the Indian River HFH ReStore. Students were greeted by the friendly workers and volunteers of HFH's version of a Goodwill thrift store.

Filled to the brim with building materials, home décor, appliances and furniture, the store had everything someone would need to build and furnish a home.

Split up upon arrival, students worked from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a noon lunch break to help customers load furniture into their cars, help bring items from the donation center to the storefront or walk around the storefront helping anyone who needed assistance.

After a day of volunteering, most of the students went to the beach to soak up the sun for a few hours.

On the second day, there was a change of pace.

Most students had little knowledge on how to build a house for a family in need, or more specifically, install roof shingles.

Luckily, Charlie Shain, one of the many friendly staff members of Indian River HFH, showed the students how to install the shingles.

"It's as easy as a couple nails," Shain said.

Since there were 16 students on the trip, not everyone could work on the roof. Some people painted

adjacent houses in the subdivision.

After hot, sweaty hours of manual labor, shopping and bumming on the beach capped off the day.

On Wednesday, everyone went back to work to finish off the roof and begin working on other parts of the house.

It rained on and off all day, making the roofing job a little dangerous, but it was still a productive day.

After building, rain forced everyone on the trip to cram into our three-bedroom house. It was truly a bonding experience. For dinner, some of the group went for burgers and others went for Italian.

Thursday, our last day of volunteering, everyone went back to ReStore. The amount of work they had for us was limited.

"You did so much on the first day, we thought we would have more work for you today," ReStore's Assistant Manager Tina Dirkes said.

The overall attitude of Indian River HFH toward the OU students seemed to be surprised. Typically working with senior citizens volunteers, the pace at which everyone worked was something that the staff wasn't used to.

OU's HFH, Collegiate Challenge trip was one full of volunteering, learning and bonding.

For information on next year's trip or how to join the club, contact president Scott Paladino at sdpaladi@oakland.edu.

What it means to respectfully disagree

Protesting is an American liberty that many take for granted, yet we can't forget to respect one another

Isaac Martin
Political Columnist

America is protected by a mighty guardian. He has seen our country through times both thick and thin, warding off conniving crooks and brutish thugs alike. He is not the only of his kind — most nations possess such a champion to defend themselves, though none of the stature of our nation's protector.



In fact, he is so widely admired that many other nations, for their own defense, either hire pretenders with smatterings of the greatness or else seek to hire our guardian himself. For over 200 years, he has kept watch over our country, a span of time unequalled by any other living defender anywhere in the world.

Who or what is this great hero of our nation? None other than the United States Constitution. It has worked so well in protecting our liberties and tran-

quility over the past two-and-a-quarter centuries because it allows we the people to take our government to task.

We read in the First Amendment that, "Congress shall make no law . . . abridging the . . . right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances." Unlike communist Russia, totalitarian China or feudal England, we the people of the United States are free to express our displeasure with our leaders without fear of lawful reprisal. Historically, this has not been the case for most people in most countries around the globe.

We are truly blessed to live in a land where penning a political column like this one will not mean a prison sentence for "inciting sedition." Yet today, an ominous threat has emerged with an oddly palatable malignancy.

You've no doubt seen or heard about the mini-riots in Berkeley, the caustic Women's March on Washington, or the scattered "Not my President's Day" protests on President's Day last week.

There is a heated debate going on in America right now that has even seen

skirmishes here at Oakland University — say at the Elliott Tower. While frustration over government is understandable and even acceptable, the mounting, increasingly prevalent anger with which these protests are being executed is not.

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We are truly blessed to live in a land where penning a political column like this one will not mean a prison sentence for 'inciting sedition.'

We must be cautious as a student body in not sanctimoniously deriding those whom we disagree with. We each have differing convictions and ideals — good, let us each be sure of their validity. However, whether or not we are right in our opinions, it is undeniably wrong to impugn the motives or ridicule the intelligence of those with whom we disagree.

We must be especially careful not to demean and dehumanize our leaders — regardless of party or political persuasion. By comparing our president to a dog or referring to our representatives as "idiots," we are actually insulting ourselves. They, our leaders, represent us as a nation. Though you may strongly disagree with their policies or public rhetoric, demonizing them is disrespectful.

We have the unprecedented opportunity to protest and tell our government that we won't tolerate injustice or tyranny. This is why our Constitution has stood the test of time — because of the freedom of speech. Yet, we must remember that our government is ultimately a government of the people: If we respect (or disrespect) our leaders, we are actually respecting (or disrespecting) our neighbors and friends.

We may need to disagree with one another, especially over someone as polarizing as President Donald Trump. However, we do not need to do so disagreeably.

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♪ Drew's Review: ♪ Future goes solo on new album

Drew Hagge
Music Columnist

For many artists, an eight-month hiatus from releasing music is a relatively short period of time. However, fans of Future are used to him satisfying their need for new music no less than three times a year.

After giving his fans less than a weeks' notice, Future released his self-titled album on Friday, Feb. 17.

With eight total mixtapes and albums released since "Beast Mode" in 2015, Future has climbed atop the rap game. For the last few years, Future's popularity has been exceeded only by frequent tour partner and music contributor Drake.

Like all previous Future albums, "FUTURE" transports listeners to a cohesive sonic world. The album's production comes from the usual suspects, including Southside,

Sonny Digital and Metro Boomin.

Hours before the album's release, Future proclaimed to the world that features would be absent from the album, which wasn't met with the kind of unanimous praise that such a proclamation would warrant if, say, J. Cole were to make the same announcement.

Overall, "FUTURE" is about three to four songs too long. A 17-song album with just one voice throughout is more of a chore to listen to all the way through.

However, the high points outnumber the lows by a staggering margin. Future's batting average with hits on this project goes unrivaled compared with any of his previous works.

Finally, it's official that there may not be a place for Kid Cudi in the genre if Future is going to continue to hum better than everybody else, like he does so perfectly in "I'm So Groovy."

'John Wick: Chapter 2' — How to establish a franchise

Lawson Robinson
Movie Columnist

The 2014 film "John Wick" was not only a financial and critical success, but it struck a strong fan base. Writer Derek Kolstad crafted an assassin-filled universe and gave the viewer bits and pieces of this world throughout the film.

Its sequel, "John Wick: Chapter 2," takes the audience deeper into the world of John Wick (portrayed by Keanu Reeves) and also successfully establishes this film franchise.

The pace of "John Wick: Chapter 2" is quite different from the pace of its predecessor. While "John Wick" built to an hour of nonstop violence, the sequel instead disperses the action in a more traditional manner. The cinematic carnage of "gun-fu" is absolutely beautiful throughout the film.

The true strength of the film is how it familiarizes the viewer with the John Wick universe. The film establishes that everyone and anyone in this universe can be an assassin. This includes a syndicate of homeless people, musicians on

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Whoever comes, I'll kill them. I'll kill them all.

- John Wick
(portrayed by Keanu Reeves)

the street and even couples in the park. Ruby Rose shines in this film as Ares, a vicious deaf assassin who hunts Wick across the globe.

The film implements rules that exist within Wick's world, while also using these rules to push the plot forward. Concepts such as "The Marker" and "The High Table" will delight action-film buffs.

If you were a fan of the first John Wick film, you should definitely see the second.

Rating: 4.5 out of 5 stars



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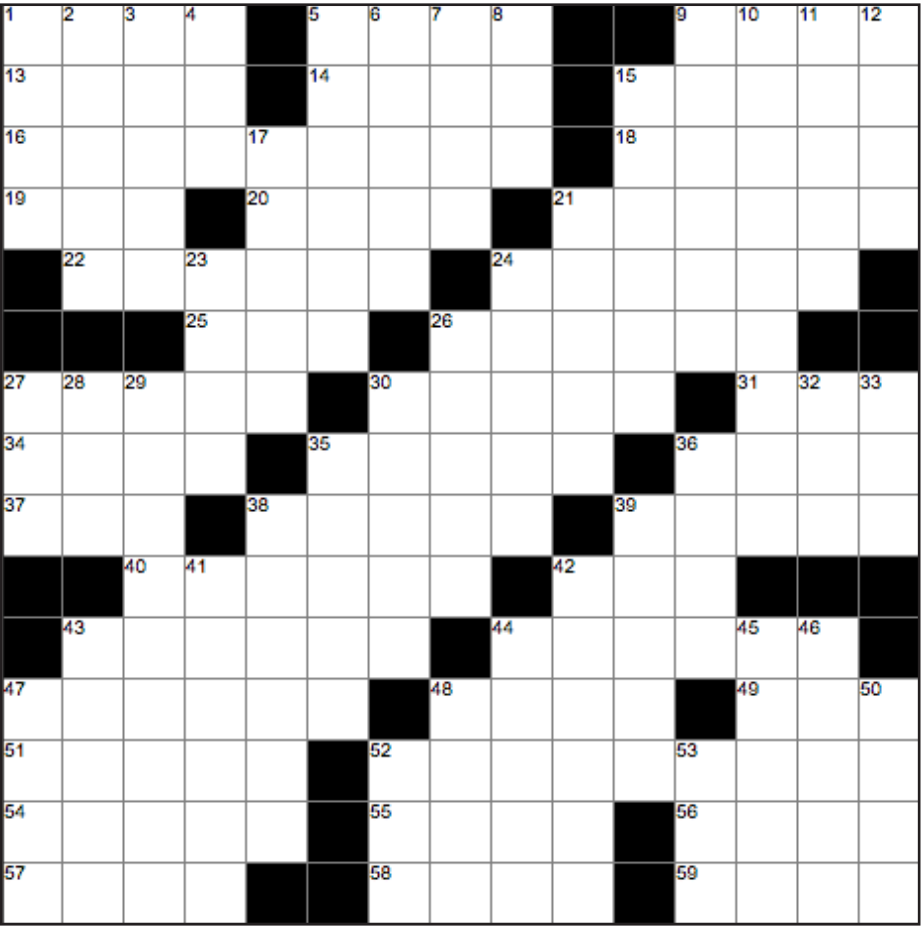


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Across

- 1: Card pack foursome
5: Got grounded?
9: Play like a puppy
13: Mr. Peanut accessory
14: Withered
15: Piano piece?
16: Extend hospitality, in a way
18: Love, Italian style
19: She's a deer
20: Black-and-white divers
21: Readied for painting
22: Puts up
24: Talks back to
25: Itty-bitty
26: Most reasonable
27: Dunderheads
30: Ewes' milieu
31: Fall off, as the tide
34: Subdivision divisions
35: Fence pickets
36: Group of three
37: Electrify
38: Cabbie's customers
39: Far from tanned
40: Fluctuates
42: Absorb, with 'up'
43: Map feature
44: Least tainted
47: Groups of staff officers
48: Paul's ox

- 49: Bricklayer's item
51: Reed instruments
52: Pellet of precipitation
54: Soft headgear
55: Emulate a couch potato
56: Bailiwick
57: Kane's dying thought
58: SAT part
59: Geek's cousin

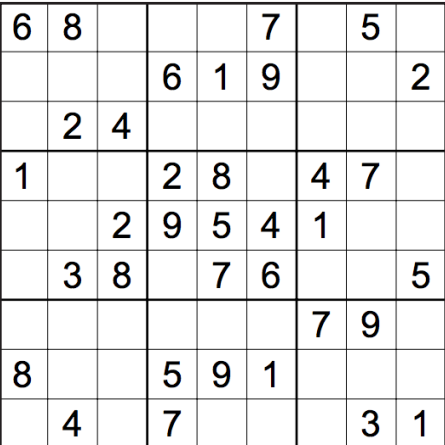
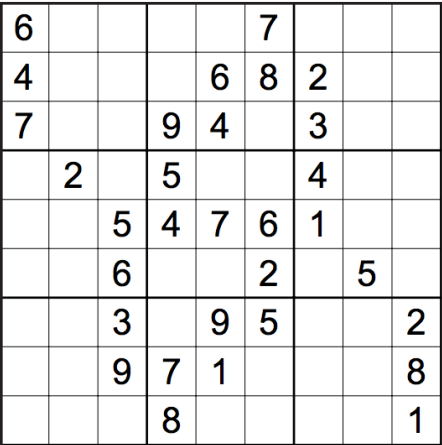
Down

- 1: Sailed right through
2: Craft entered gingerly
3: 'Come on in'
4: Attend
5: Shrewd
6: Holes
7: Colored eye part
8: Half a score
9: Derelict
10: Mileage counters
11: Fillies, when grown
12: Responded 'Not guilty'
15: Analyzes grammatically
17: Indy 500 and Daytona
21: Glass squares
23: Merino mamas
24: Stuffs to the gills
26: Cobbler's supply
27: In the manner of
28: Madame of the sty

- 29: Dock worker
30: Gave a hoot
32: Byte fraction
33: 'Whew!'
35: Careful effort
36: A runner may break it
38: Least confined
39: Facial astringent targets
41: Was a yes-man
42: Become lessor while lessee
43: Soup can wrapper
44: Buckets
45: Place for a summer home
46: Photocopier ink
47: Corn cores
48: Summoned
50: More than slow, in retail
52: Strike
53: Summer coat?

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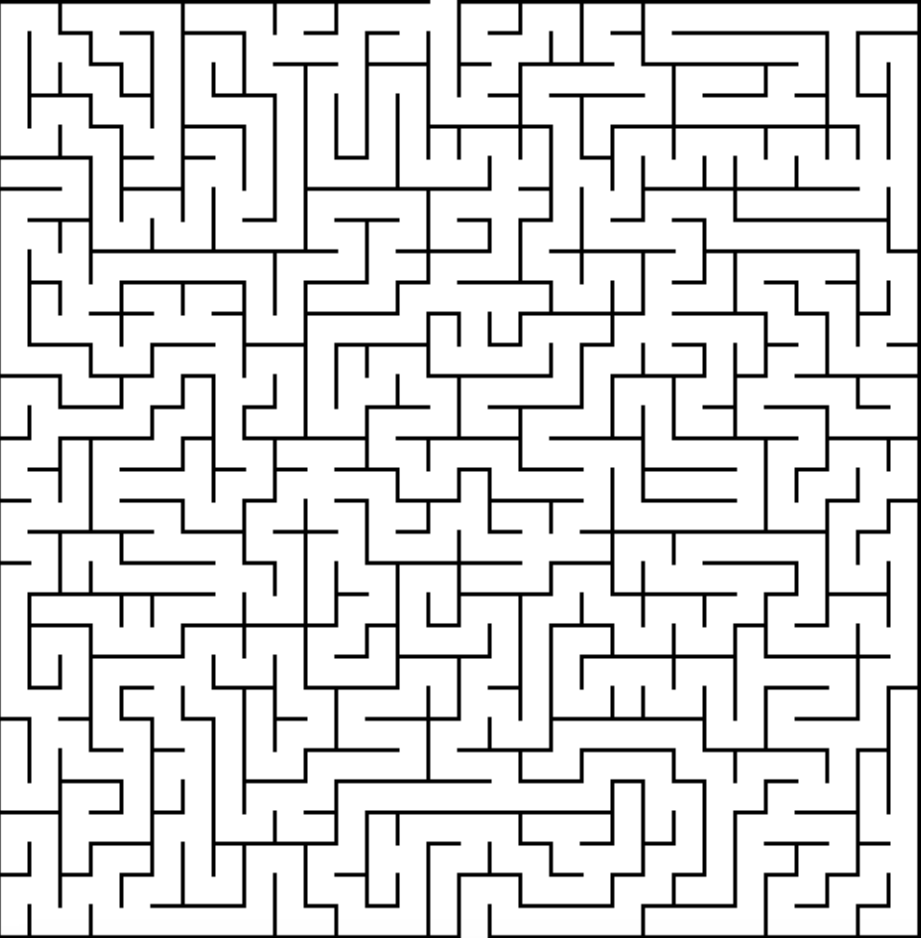
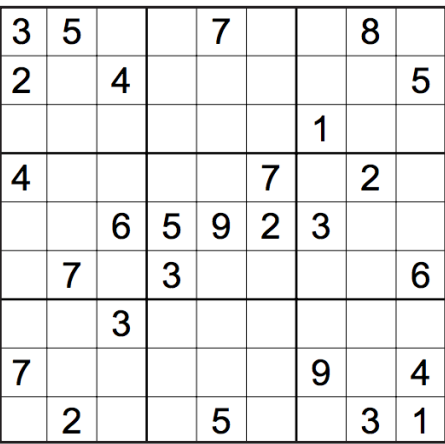
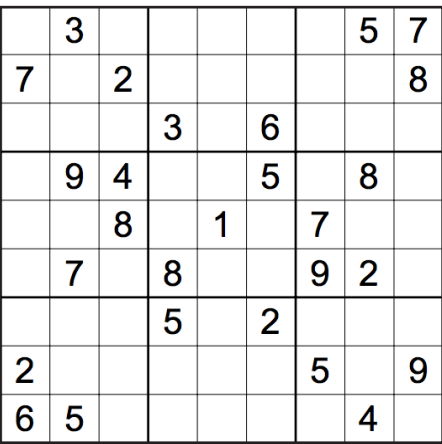




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When Mama’s reading romance novels, the children know better than to interrupt.

My mom’s romance novel addiction: A story of hope

Simon Albaugh
Staff Reporter

My mother survived the immense suffering of a disease that made her constantly and vigorously read obscene material. This was an addiction. Her addiction. But after tough attention from her family, she was finally able to get past this illness and take control again.

This obscene material, known by many street names, including “Romance Novels” and “Mommy Porn,” came into being after British publisher Mills & Boon began peddling their first work of pure smut, “Arrows from the Dark” by Sophie Cole, to the unsuspecting public of 1909.

It was only a matter of time before millions of suburban housewives became addicted to what most experts call “300 pages of sex.”

My mother was especially affected. The problem didn’t become apparent until she stopped talking at the dinner table to read. It was as if a long-haired, bare-chested book-cover model had taken her away from us.

It only got worse. My brothers and I went with her on errands one day, bringing our favorite Red Hot Chili Peppers CD for the drive. But before I could get the disc out, we were bombarded at full volume with an audiobook description of the “throbbing member” of a Scottish highlander knight

We were so young. So impressionable. And so innocent.

We knew we had to do something when we found packages in the mail with kilts in our father’s size. She was trying to drag him down with her into her hellish world of addiction.

The first step for us in this unfortunate position was to remain calm and make a plan.

It’s best to speak with experts like the local librarian or whichever adolescent boy in the family spends most of his time “just browsing the internet” with his crotch under his bed sheets. They can best direct this addiction to more suitable behaviors.

Next, understand the depth of the problem. Reading 35 pages of “50 Shades of Grey” before getting bored isn’t a problem. But throwing away precious photo albums to free up shelf space for a Nora Roberts collection is a major red flag.

Then, assemble an intervention team. This is a mixture of people who are personally touched by this addiction and cold, hard, analytical nerds who can present the facts clearly for the addict.

After, outline the consequences. You need to know what to do if you find anything from the soft-core Nicholas Sparks to the utterly obscene “Fanny Hill.” Stay strong when you tell her you’re never going to a book club with her again.

Just before the intervention, make sure you know exactly what to say. Don’t make it too wordy — she’s not reading Shakespeare. Just make sure someone with the reading level of an eighth grader and the mind of a depraved sex-fiend can understand.

Finally, hold the intervention. Stand firm in your plan because she’s gonna try and play this off as “harmless” or “just for fun.” Don’t let her devalue your pain when she says it’s what all her friends are reading. You have to remind her there is no excuse.

The road to recovery can long and hard, but is worth every effort. Before the intervention, I hadn’t spoken to my mother in 11 months. Now, I call her every day and couldn’t be happier that she’s a part of our family again.

The pros and cons of how you spent your spring break

Simon Albaugh
Staff Reporter

Time’s up, y’all. Did you have a good break? Or did you sign up for five classes and cry for nine days straight like I did?

The general consensus is that there’s only two things you can do during a college spring break: Get all your homework done so the next few weeks are as comfortable as possible, or drink every day until your liver swings a white surrender flag through your throat.

I won’t tell you which one I did. I’m too hungover to explain the details, honestly. But in the spirit of fairness, I will say that both options have their merits and both have their drawbacks. So, I’m here to fully explain the best and worst aspects of both, so you can know exactly where you stand, coming back to school either refreshed and prepared or completely hungover.

CATCHING UP ON HOMEWORK		DRINKING ALL DAY EVERYDAY	
PROS	CONS	PROS	CONS
1.) Pushing the inevitable tsunami of stress to a few days later.	1.) Missing out on that Palm Beach vacation all your friends went on.	1.) Maintaining a healthy level of doing stupid stuff with your friends.	1.) Hangover . . .
2.) Getting to be smug about passing your midterms, like the pretentious person you are.	2.) Figuring out that all your friends have to study when you finally have some free time.	2.) Distracting yourself from how much work you have.	
3.) Having the chance to get a slightly better soul-crushing job than the rest of us.	3.) Realizing you have nothing to do during this friendless free time.	3.) Coming back to work feeling refreshed and still a little drunk (You get off for lunch right when the hangover starts too, so buckle up.)	
4.) Being a buzzkill.	4.) Not being able to find a show on Netflix that reflects how you feel about not having friends right now.	4.) Meeting people you never would’ve talked to sober.	
5.) Your friends wondering if you get some sort of sick pleasure from doing homework all the time.	5.) Did I mention not having a single friend during midterms?	5.) Not being a nerd.	
6.) Not being labeled an alcoholic, I guess.	6.) Waking up one day with the Ghost of Christmas Past mistaking you for Scrooge.	6.) Having people that will cry with you during midterms.	
7.) Not having fun, if that’s something you’re into.		7.) Enjoying the experience of a full library with ambient sobbing to help you concentrate.	

Graphic design grad starts up Michigan clothing business

Shelby Tankersley
Campus Editor

Working at a small desk in a small office in Madison Heights is Neil Tasker. His business, Ardent Ink, is small, too.

But he has big dreams.

He runs his business alone: He prints, packages, embroiders and designs everything he sells. He said he's glad he loves it so much because it consumes his days.

Ardent Ink is all about Michigan. The Great Lakes State is the theme behind every piece of clothing Tasker takes off the printing press.

"I chose Michigan because I grew up here, and I know it well," he said. "I saw a lot of designs, and I knew that I could do it better."

While there are what seems like a million stores design-

ing Michigan-themed clothing, Tasker heavily incorporates calligraphy into his designs. Since he hand-draws everything, his designs are different from the run-of-the-mill graphic T-shirts found all over the state.

"I was studying at Oakland Community College, and all of the classes were full," he said. "So I randomly signed up for typography without knowing what it was. After the first week, I just fell in love with it."

After that class, Tasker went on to study graphic design at Oakland University and graduated from there in 2014.

"I had no idea that people actually got to do this for a living," he said.

After about a year of studying graphic design and learning how to make letters on a computer, Tasker wanted to get closer to his

work. So, he bought a calligraphy set — that's how he got into designing everything by hand.

One of his first and best-selling products, Ardent's Great Lake State shirt, incorporates calligraphy. It's become a passion of his, which is rather fitting since "ardent" means "passion."

He said not all of his designs incorporate calligraphy because he understands not everybody enjoys that style, but it has had a heavy influence, especially on his early designs.

"When I started, it was something unique because everything was coming right from me," Tasker said. "I still do it today. I write everybody's name on their order. I think it's kind of a unique touch that other shops might not have."

Tasker sends a drawing of the customer's name with every or-



Shelby Tankersley / The Oakland Post

Neil Tasker draws thank you notes that are sent with every order.

der. The drawings don't take him long to make, since he spent a good year working on his calligraphy skills. He said he's gotten feedback from customers that they love their drawings.

"All the time, people email me thanking me for the customer service and personalization," he said. "As a small business, it's great. I can be personal with people because I'm not some big business."

While he said he loves the smallness for now, he eventually wants to see Ardent Ink flourish.

"My goal isn't to always have just Michigan stuff," Tasker said. I would love to see people wearing this stuff all over the place with Michigan stuff in it, but not have Michigan so blatantly on my clothes like it is now."

This article was first published by OU News Bureau, a student-run online news outlet that covers metro Detroit, under the title "At Ardent, the writing's on the shirts." To read the original version, visit <http://www.ounews-bureau.com/?p=11003>.



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Bright light lamp therapy provides a source of vitamin D, which is beneficial to our health.

## OU Rec Well lights up campus this winter

*Treatment may help battle blues during cloudy days*

**Laurel Kraus**  
Staff Reporter

Spring break is over, and at this point in the semester, it's not uncommon for students to be feeling down, stressed or tired.

"It kind of fits in a broad category of people just tend to do worse in the wintertime, and I think that that's a significant amount of people," said Maryann Swanson, director of Oakland University's Graham Health Center. "We just are not as happy. You don't even have to have an actual diagnosis."

On Dec. 1, 2016, University Recreation and Well-Being began implementing bright light therapy to help combat these problems.

Bright light therapy is a relatively new form of alternative medicine and is essentially a lamp that releases light that mimics the sun's rays and administers Vitamin D.

"We've been taught that the sun does negative things, but the sun does positive things, too," Swanson said.

According to a Columbia University study, the body's internal clock — which regulates body temperature, hormone secretion and sleep patterns, among other functions — is highly affected by light stimulation, or lack thereof.

For best results, a bright light therapy lamp should be placed approximately 20 to 30 inches away from the user's face for sessions of 20 to 30 minutes.

"I do suggest, if you're hoping to get some type of medicinal benefit or real benefit from it, talking to your doctor and looking at the research and deciding with your doctor what's going to be best for you," said Erica Wallace, health and wellness coordinator for the Recreation Center.

The risks of bright light therapy are minimal, but include possible vision damage for those who have poor vision.

Those interested in using the bright light, located in the Wellness Suite on the bottom floor of the Recreation Center, can sign up for a 15-minute session on the schedule posted on the suite's door.

The light is not offered every day, but available times will be posted one week in advance.

OU students, staff and faculty can also call the Wellness Suite at (248) 370-4424 to schedule sessions.

The suite has also supplied crayons and activities to occupy the users' time.


Additionally, when clients go into the Graham Health Center for intake or medical review, they will be offered the opportunity to try bright light therapy during the interview.

Pricing for these lamps ranges from \$30 to \$200.

According to Wallace, the Wellness Suite plans to continue offering bright light therapy through the end of March, unless there is demand or a need to continue.

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# Tricounty students swarm the DIA

*Museum's College Night event offers free admission, extra-late hours, food, drinks, dancing*

**Shelby Tankersley**  
Campus Editor

The Detroit Institute of Arts is one of the city's brightest gems. It had a close call with liquidation when Detroit filed for bankruptcy in 2013, but it has stuck around.

The three-floor museum holds art that ranges from the likes of Diego Rivera and Vincent van Gogh to ancient Egyptian artifacts to contemporary sculptures.

On Feb. 17, students from Macomb, Oakland and Wayne Counties were invited to the museum for College Night, where they could enjoy perks like staying past hours and free admission into the Bitter|Sweet: Coffee, Tea and Chocolate exhibit being featured.

Instead of being charged the usual \$7 student admission fee for those living outside of the tricounty area, students got in for free.

Many schools, including Oakland University, bussed students over, but the DIA accepted walk-ins who showed their college IDs. Free coat check and materials to participate in the night's event were given at the door.

The DIA is usually open until 10 p.m. on Friday nights, but on this special occasion, students could stay until midnight



Shelby Tankersley / The Oakland Post

Students from Macomb, Oakland and Wayne Counties were invited to the DIA to enjoy perks like staying past closing time and free admission into the Bitter|Sweet featured exhibit.

and enjoy a dance party, food and a bar for those of age. Other events such as a scavenger hunt and a live-music concert were also available.

The event sold out around 7 p.m., and consequently, DIA employees turned many college students away to purchase normal admission tickets. The museum let everyone in, but the events exclusively for

college students filled up quickly.

OU chartered a bus to take a group of 50 students, who arrived in time to get college night wristbands.

Julie Paula, a junior majoring in accounting, said she was particularly excited about the Bitter|Sweet exhibit.

"I live in the area, so I can always get into the DIA for free anyway," she said.

"But I haven't seen the coffee and tea exhibit yet. The free admission to that is what made me want to come."

Paula said one of the sets featured in the exhibit was recently featured at Meadow Brook Hall. She saw it there and wanted to see it again when it came to the DIA.

While residents of the tricounty area always get free admission to the museum, a lot of OU students came because their residencies don't fall under that umbrella.

Liz Bulliner, a junior health sciences major, said the free admission is what got her to board the bus.

"I don't live around here, so I wanted to take the chance to get in free for once," she said.

Paula and Bulliner participated in the scavenger hunt in the hopes of winning a prize and looked forward to the free food that would come later in the night, when college students were the only patrons allowed to stay.

They enjoyed the scavenger hunt because it wasn't as easy as they thought it would be.

"It's forcing us to go to the four corners of the museum," Paula said. "I love it."

Neither was particularly drawn in by the dance party that started a few hours later, but they and many others enjoyed the night of culture at the DIA.

## Wednesday, March 1

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Mental Health Stigma Briefing | Hosted by Active Minds | Oakland Center, Fireside Lounge

5 p.m. - 7 p.m. | Jean and Fred Braun Memorial Lecture: "Pretty Much Everything" by Aaron Draplin | Meadow Brook Hall

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. | OU Wind Symphony performance | Varner Recital Hall

## Thursday, March 2

10 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. | National Eating Disorder Awareness Week: Mirror Image | Recreation Center, Herman Room

12 p.m. - 12:50 p.m. | Eat This, Not That: OU Edition | Hosted by OU Rec Well | Oakland Center, Lake Superior A

12 p.m. - 1 p.m. | Vaccines discussion with Andrea Moyer and Janell Hallauer | Hosted by Pre-Medical Society | Oakland Center, Banquet Room A

4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. | Circles of Brotherhood and Sisterhood | Hosted by Center for Multicultural Initiatives | Recreation Center, Herman Room

## Friday, March 3

11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. | Student to Professional Conference | Oakland Center Banquet Rooms

8 p.m. - 10 p.m. | Jonathan Retzlaff baritone performance | Varner Recital Hall

## Monday, March 6

5 p.m. - 7 p.m. | Pre-Health Networking | Hosted by Pre-Medical Society | Oakland Center, Banquet Room A

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. | Students Towards Understanding Disabilities meeting | 126 Oakland Center

## Tuesday, March 7

12 p.m. - 1 p.m. | United We Coexist introductory meeting | Oakland Center, Gold Room A

12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. | How to React in an Active Shooter on Campus Situation faculty workshop | 200A Elliott Hall