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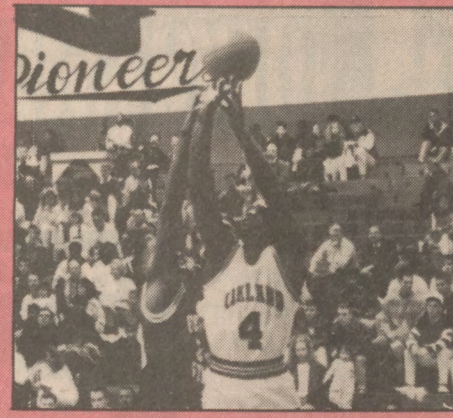
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Briefly ...

New Student Congress Members

University Student Congress President Derek Wilczynski appointed the following as his executive staff: Amy Rickstad, executive assistant; Diane Tomaszewski, financial assistant; Michael Kimsal, Public Relations chair; Brian Murphy, Legislative Affairs chair; Melissa Winter, Student Program Board chair; Matthew Taszreak, Student Service chair; Jennifer Schutt, Committee and Elections coordinator and Matthew Pfeilstucker, Student Activities Board chair.

Space Utilization Committee

Architecture and space planning firms both in and out of state are being contacted for possible consulting in investigating the campus space, said Wilma Bledsoe, vice president of Student Affairs. The Space Utilization Committee, set up by Bledsoe, reported that using empty resident halls rooms might eliminate the problem. A more comprehensive look at the problem is needed and will not be completed for several months, Bledsoe said.

Free Tickets

Black Awareness Months Committee is offering 200 free tickets to the lecture by William Gray, president of the United Negro College Fund, on Monday, Feb. 3. Tickets will be distributed to OU students at the CIPO services window, 49 Oakland Center, until tickets run out.

Immigration Policy

The OU Honors College is presenting a round table discussion entitled "U.S. Immigration Policy" Feb. 4 at noon in 227 Varner Hall.

Eyeglass and Hearing Aids Collection

The Jewish Students Organization/Hillel is collecting used eyeglass frames and hearing aids to be sent for use to buy new immigrants to Israel from Ethiopia and the Soviet Union. To contribute items, leave them at Sandy Loeffler's desk in room 19, Oakland Center, or call 370-4257 or 443-0424.

Cancer Support Group

Henry Ford Health System and the Michigan Cancer Foundation is sponsoring a support group for young adults (ages 20-40) who are facing, involved in treatments or recovering from cancer. Call 294-4430.

BAM Events

"African Warrior," a skit, will be performed in the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge Friday at noon; The Student Life Lecture Board will host a lecture by Mr. William Gray, the president of the United Negro College Fund, Feb. 3, at 2:30 p.m. in the OC Crockery; "Eyes on the Prize" Part III at noon in the OC Exhibit Lounge; "Career Planning with African-American Professionals," a networking opportunity for students to interact with African-American professionals and discuss their career paths, Feb. 4, in the Vandenberg Hall's Yacht Club between 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Search narrowed to four finalists

Petition asks consideration for DeCarlo

By MARGARET O'BRIEN
Editor in Chief

A petition asking that the Board of Trustees consider Interim President John DeCarlo for the position permanently was circulated last week prompting a statement from DeCarlo Monday that he was not seeking the position.

The petition, which was signed by 14 members of the faculty, requested that the board set aside a June resolution forbidding the interim president to be considered for the position, in light of DeCarlo's "excellent record of accomplishment in just six months."

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Richard Stuart Meyers



Claire Van Ummersen



Sandra Packard



Luis Proenza

Candidates considered outstanding

By MARGARET O'BRIEN
Editor in Chief

Narrowing the field from seven through face-to-face interviews over the weekend, the Presidential Search Committee announced yesterday the four finalists to be considered by the Board of Trustees for president of Oakland University.

Trustee Larry Chunovich, chair of the search committee, said the

final four candidates were of extremely high caliber and will meet the expectations of the university community.

"I am pleased with the qualifications of all the candidates. Oakland will be well served regardless to which candidate the board of trustees offers the post," Chunovich said.

Finalists will come to campus throughout the month of February for on-site visits and interviews with

faculty, administrative staff, students and community members. Final selection of a president will be made in March by the full Board of Trustees.

All external candidates, the finalists are:

- Richard Stuart Meyers has been the president the Western Oregon State College since 1983. He is also a professor of educational psychology

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Candidates flown in for interviews

By DEBORAH DZIEWIT
News Editor

The next university president will be one of the four finalists named by the Presidential Search Committee yesterday after three days of "grueling interviews" with seven of eight semifinalists.

Committee members met with candidates Friday through Sunday at a hotel near Detroit Metro Airport in Romulus for the convenience of the candidates, according to Larry Chunovich, chair of the 14-member search committee.

The seven candidates were flown in at the university's expense. See SEARCH page 3

Two studies show bleak outlook for graduates

By AMY REYNOLDS
College Press Service

The employment picture isn't pretty for college students who plan to graduate this spring.

Two of the most-watched annual studies that deliver job predictions agree that the market is worse this year than last and fewer jobs exist for college graduates. Also, some 1991 graduates are still searching for jobs in addition to experienced laid-off workers who are flooding an already-saturated market.

The 1992 Northwestern Lindquist-Endicott report predicts this will be the worst job market in 20 years. And a report issued by the Children's Defense Fund says all young workers, not just graduating seniors, are typically the first to lose jobs, both corporate and otherwise.

The crunch is expected to be the worst this summer when students seek jobs in restaurants, factories and internship programs.

The CDF study notes that, "The net job loss for young workers (people under 25) has occurred both because they cannot find jobs and because they have grown too discouraged to enter or remain in the job market."

The unemployment rate for workers under 25 during the first five months of 1990 compared with the first five months of 1991 jumped from an average of 11.1 percent to 13.4 percent, accounting for a loss of almost 500,000 jobs, the study said.

The Lindquist-Endicott report and a 1992 Recruiting Trends report from Michigan State University delivered similarly depressing news for graduates, with few exceptions.

The Linquist-Endicott study noted that among the 259 mid-sized and large companies surveyed, 69 percent say they expect a decline in business in 1992 and 36 percent say they plan to cut their professional staff this year.

Demand for graduates with a bachelor's degree will drop 4 percent, while demand for graduates with master's degrees will drop 7 percent, accord to the report.

In the one bright spot, Lindquist reports an increase in the average overall starting salary.

Recycle art



Sculptor Peter Hackett, who creates his work from discarded solid waste, had a showing in the Oakland Center on Monday. Here, Hack arranges "The Walrus" made from discarded plastic bottles, aluminum and other recyclable material.

Congress fills vacancies, discusses flier

By JENNIFER HEIL
Staff Writer

University Student Congress filled one of its vacancies at its meeting Monday as well as discussed snow removal on handicapped ramps, a bill that would help students find jobs and a controversial Congress flier that was posted last week.

The flier advertised positions on Congress' Student Activities Board

Committee by printing the words "free sex" as an attention-getter in large, bold letters at the top of the page. The bottom of the flyer explained that there would be no free sex, but stated that interested students could "get involved in learning about all the organizations on campus while learning all about, and being involved in financial decisions."

Maura Selahowski, director of CIPO and Congress faculty advisor, told Congress Monday that she received four letters from students and organizations that expressed disapproval for the flier.

SAB chair Matt Pfeilstucker said he posted the flier after no response from other fliers he posted for the past two weeks. By posting the "free sex" flier, Pfeilstucker received four responses to help fill the nine-seat committee.

"I apologize if I offended anyone. I didn't mean to offend anyone, I just wanted to get students' attention," Pfeilstucker said.

per hour for 10 hours. The front end loaders were needed because of the excessive amount of snow that fell. Normally OU can handle the snow with its own equipment, according to McGarry.

OU has a blanket contract with the company to use grounds and maintenance equipment when needed at a pre-determined cost.

In addition OU has 10 plow trucks which were used, McGarry said.

"The plows only push the snow, but the front end loaders move the snow," McGarry said.

"It took them (grounds and maintenance employees) a lot longer to remove the snow than usual due to the blowing and drifting. Once they removed the snow from the parking lot the wind would blow it back," McGarry said.

Fist fight erupts at SPB game

By KEN POWERS JR.
Staff Writer

The friendly atmosphere of the tri-annual Student Program Board sponsored snow football game turned mean after a fist fight broke out between members of opposing teams, Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 21.

According to an Oakland University Public Safety report, an OU female student received a black eye after a scuffle with an OU male student who was on the opposing team.

The complainant told police that

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Heavy snowfall costs university big money

By WILLIAM SOULE
Special Writer

The 11 inches of snow that hit the Metro Detroit area Jan. 14 and closed OU for the day, translated into big bucks for snow removal and employee overtime expenses for OU.

The total cost for snow removal was \$15,483, said Robert McGarry, vice president of finance and administration.

The total cost includes \$7,570 for university grounds and maintenance employees wages, including 233 overtime hours, \$4,368 for 150 tons of salt and \$2,800 for the use of two front end loader tractors, according to McGarry. OU also paid \$745 to repair two plows.

OU rented front end loaders from Mueller and Carnegie Co. for \$140



A university trucks used for ground maintenance.

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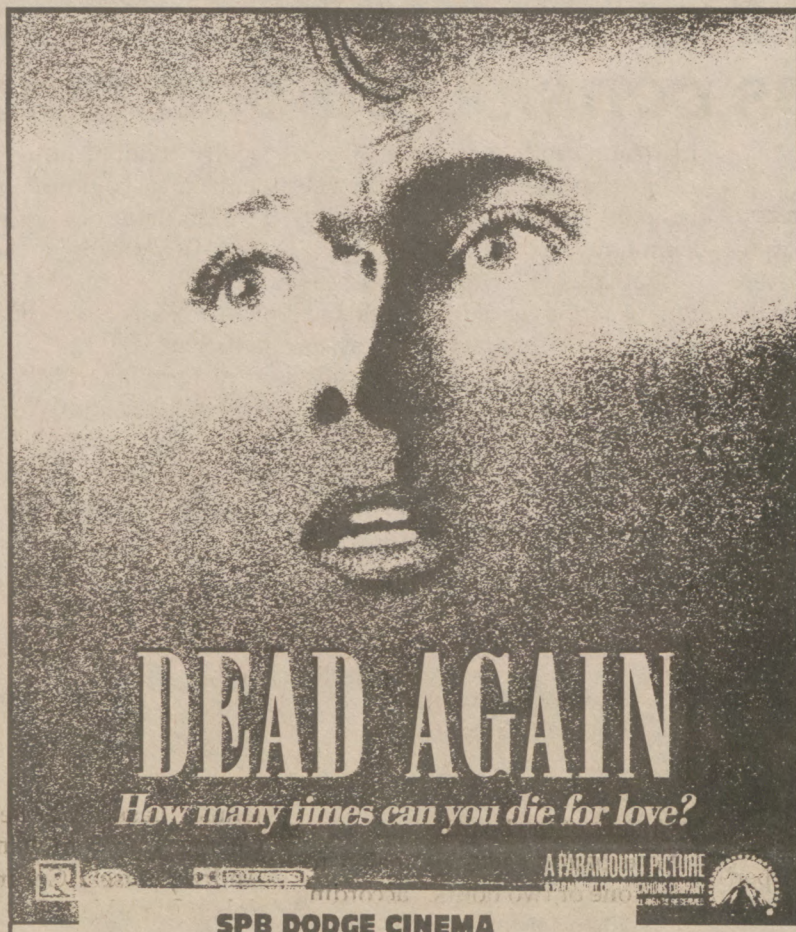
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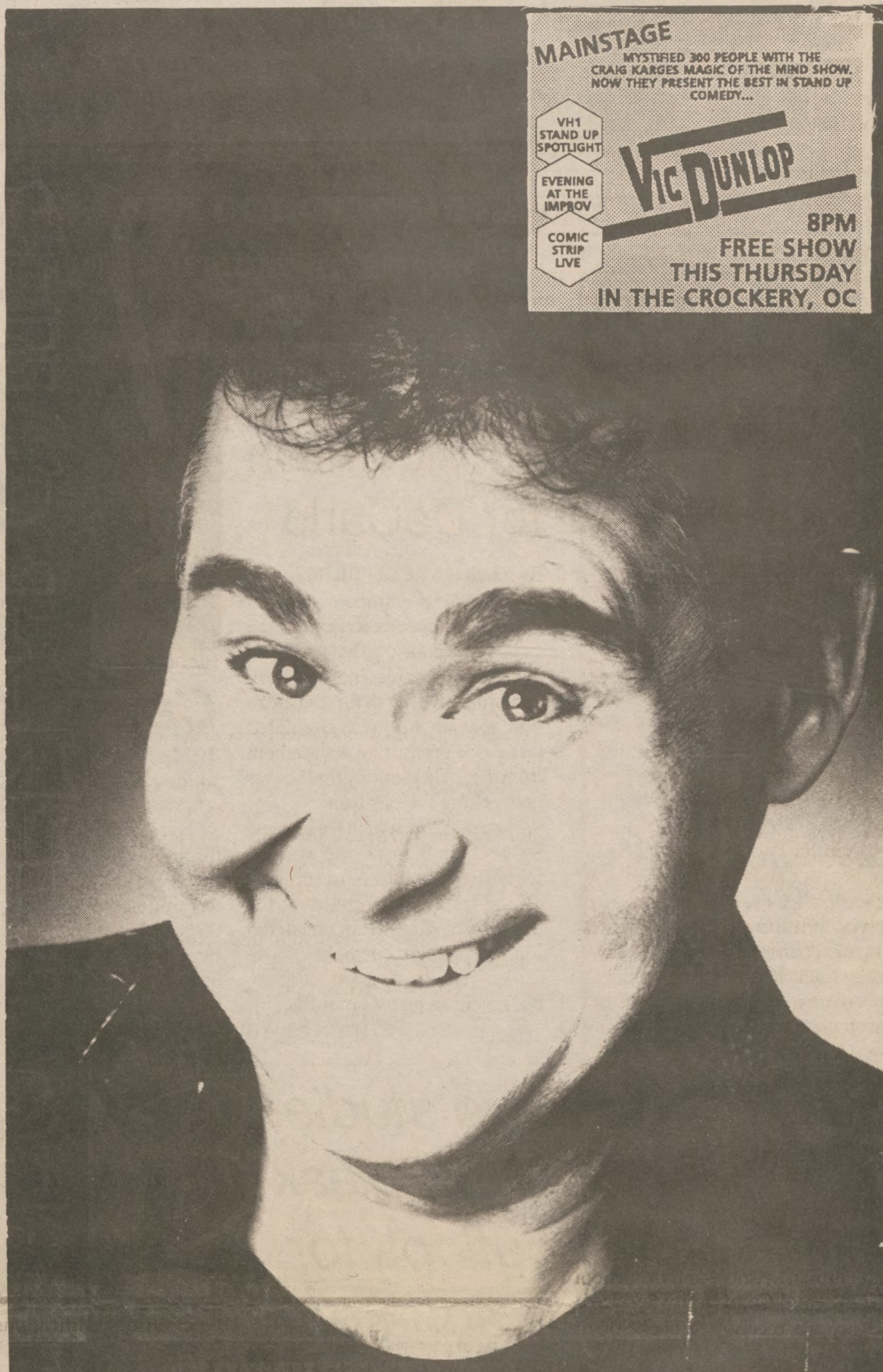
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and foundations and professor of music at the college, which is part of the Oregon State System of Higher Education.

Meyers has served as the president of three institutions during the last 16 years. In his personal statement Meyers cites 23 years of experience in education including starting up a college from its inception and running schools through periods of extreme financial difficulties.

Meyers holds a bachelor's in music education from De Paul University, a master's in music education and doctorate in instructional technology from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

In his statement, Meyers highlights developing a team atmosphere at Western Oregon and said that his ideal of a president "is as Lao-tse stated, 'A leader is best when people scarcely know he exists, not so good when people obey and acclaim him ... But of a good leader, who talks little, when his work is done, his aim fulfilled, the people will say, 'We did this ourselves.'"

He is credited with saving the college from closure in the face of a strong legislative plan to convert the it to a prison and is also credited with initiating several entrepreneurial projects which led to the expansion of campus facilities.

Sandra Packard, has served as the provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs and professor of curriculum and instruction, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga since 1985. The university serves approximately 13,000 students and employs 300 faculty and 250 staff members.

Packard has responsibility for an annual budget of \$27 million and she initiated and raised funds to establish a \$3.5 million center for arts education. She co-raised funds for and established nine \$1 million endowed faculty chairs of excellence and established the College of Health and Human Services and the School of Social and Community Services.

Packard received a bachelor of fine arts from Syracuse University, a master of education in art education and a doctor of education in art education from Indiana University.

Her experience includes nine years of teaching and 13 years of university administration, nine of which have been at a senior level of dean or provost.

In her statement, Packard said she feels the true strength of a campus lies in the quality of its faculty and their commitment to students and has initiated a teaching excellence sabbatical program, travel grants and a distinguished teaching professorship program to support faculty.

Luis M. Proenza has served as vice chancellor for research and dean of the graduate school at the University of Alaska Fairbanks since 1987 and as science advisor to Governor Walter J. Hickel of Alaska since 1991. At the University of Alaska, Proenza coordinates the university's \$60 million research program. Proenza has received numerous grants from

the National Eye Institute for neurobiological research, including a Research Career Development Award.

His initiatives include a Center for Global Change and Arctic System Research and a \$25 million Arctic Region Supercomputer Center.

Proenza earned his baccalaureate degree from Emory University, a master's from Ohio State University, and his doctorate from the University of Minnesota.

Proenza cites 22 years of progressive university experience highlighting accomplishments in enhancing linkages to the private sector and doubling federal support in his curriculum vitae.

"The university's public image and its reputation among peer institutions will be enhanced largely by the success of its academic, research and service programs. The key to this success is an investment in good people. An excellent faculty and staff, when properly supported ... will pay substantial dividends to the university and the state," Proenza said.

Claire A. Van Ummersen has served as the chancellor University System of New Hampshire (USNH) since 1986. Her responsibilities included serving as chief executive and academic officer for a system of over 29,000 students with an operating

budget of \$300 million.

Van Ummersen instituted a system-wide planning process, developed a 10-year capital plan for USNH, and developed an instructional television network to link all campuses within the system beginning this spring. The chancellor's responsibilities include oversight for legislative and governmental relations between the Board of Trustees, the institutions of the USNH, and state government.

Van Ummersen earned her bachelor, master and doctorate degrees from Tufts University working in the areas of microwave radiation and radio frequency waves and their effects on chick embryos.

Van Ummersen cites experience in working with constrained budgets, having had to cut staff by 17 percent in her system without curtailing services.

"We too have been facing shrinking resources and have been developing appropriate responses to position our campuses for the decade of the 90s ... Growth by substitution has become our motto," she said.

Public meetings with all finalists will be conducted on campus during the month of February with final selection to be concluded by March. Schedules will be released when finalized.

After she hit him, a brawl broke out between several men from the victim's team and friends from the opposing team, according to the report.

The woman told police that after the fight broke up and the game was cancelled, the man proceeded to verbally abuse her and struck her with his fist in the right eye, as stated in the report.

The man told police that she struck him in the face again after the altercation ended, the report stated.

SPB Chairman Melissa Winters does not see the need for more security at events.

"I don't think that they should increase security at SPB events because I doubt if any more violent incidents will occur," Winters said.

expertise, qualifications and experience ... and the bottom line whether the candidate would be a good fit for the university," Chunovich said. "It was a process of looking at what individual most strongly fit within our guidelines."

The committee members narrowed the selection down to four by consensus, not by a vote, which followed the recommendations set by the Board.

The search committee began the winnowing process with a pool of 115 candidates and narrowed that figure down to eight semifinalists by mid-December. Seven came to the interviews, the eighth could not make it because of personal reasons and was subsequently eliminated in the final cut to four.

The committee expects to have the finalists on campus from Feb. 10 to Feb. 21 for a two-day visit, where they will participate in small group meetings, forums and receptions.

He said that in conjunction with the visits, each candidate would take part in a special Board meeting before the regular meeting March 11.

Congress

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Due to the excessive absences of three congress members, Congress President Derek Wilczynski said the members will be replaced next week.

Congress tabled its first proposed bill of the semester until the next meeting pending further discussion.

The proposed bill asks Congress to allocate \$500 from its budget to publish a listing of student jobs in Oakland County.

The congress bills states "student services needs to cooperate with the office of financial aid and the placement office in identifying positions for students."

Also, the Legislative Affairs Committee is vying for student support on the national level for a financial aid bill, Brian Murphy, Legislative Affairs chair, said.

Congress will sponsor a letter writing contest for student organi-

zations to urge Michigan's federal legislators to support the version of the Higher Education Act proposed in the US House of Representatives, Murphy said.

The proposed bill would make it easier for those students who pay their own way through school to receive financial aid, particularly Pell Grants, Murphy said.

"It will make financial aid a basic right, not a privilege," Murphy said.

The organization with the most letters written in relation to how many members it has will win a prize, which has yet to be determined, Murphy said.

Members also discussed concerns about snow removal on ramps for disabled OU students.

Congress Steering chair Michael Peterson said he spoke to a secretary in the office of Richard Moore, director of special services for campus facilities and operations, about the ramps who said the ramps are secondary to parking lots and walkways.

Petition

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The petition praised DeCarlo, who was appointed to the interim presidency June 5, 1991 following the resignation of Joseph Champagne, for addressing "serious budgetary and organizational problems."

It stated, "We have been impressed by the way Mr. John DeCarlo has addressed the University's during the past six months and we urge you to consider him as a candidate, if he is willing."

However, in a statement released Monday, DeCarlo said he could not allow himself to be considered as a candidate at this time.

"I would never do anything to frustrate the (search) process or create a problem for the board or the university ... I want them to get the best president they possibly can," he said.

DeCarlo said that although he was flattered and surprised by the action, but that he accepted the position with that condition and respects the intent of the board.

The petition was circulated for "only one or two hours," according to mechanical engineering chair Joseph Der Hovanesian, who signed and facsimiled the petition with a brief letter to board chair Howard Sims Jan. 20.

"It was just to try and level out the playing field — to give him a chance to be considered as a candidate," Der Hovanesian said.

Der Hovanesian said Monday that he did not write the petition that may have been too little, too late.

"It may be too late now, the search process may have gone too far for them (board) to consider it," he said.

Trustee and Search Committee Chair Larry Chunovich agreed saying that the process was too far along, having gone through three phases of the search.

The following is the text of the petition to the Oakland University Board of Trustees: We faculty, undersigned below, appreciate why the Board of Trustees resolved on June 5, 1991 not to consider the Interim President for the presidency of the University; presidential candidates are motivated to please constituencies in order to win the appointment, while the Interim President needed to address immediately serious

budgetary and organizational problems in ways that inevitably would not be pleasing to some. However, we have been impressed by the way Mr. John DeCarlo has addressed the University's problems during the past six months, and we urge you to consider him as a candidate for the presidency, if he is willing. Sometimes it is wise to set aside an old resolution in light of new information. We believe this is just such an occasion.

Interim President DeCarlo has initiated communication with faculty and staff that is long over-due. With the basic academic mission of the university clearly in mind, he has dealt with the deficit in ways that minimally impact upon teaching and research.

His commitment to improving the quality of the student body is admirable. He has been candid with us, and he has actively pursued solutions to complex problems that another kind of interim president might defer. We think that this is an excellent record of accomplishment in just six months.

The petition was signed by: Joseph Der Hovanesian, Thomas Windknecht, Yau Hung, Tung Weng, Janusz Laski, Eleftherios Botsas, George Coon, Mohamed Zohdy, Andrzej Rusek, Gottfried Brieger, Robert Stern, Mary Otto, Frank Cioch and Gopalan Srinivasan.

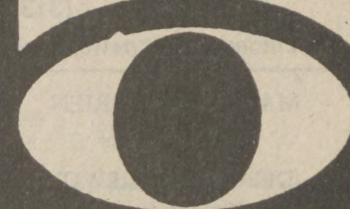
The following is the text of the statement DeCarlo released Monday: "I have had the opportunity to consider the implications of the petition by some members of the faculty that the board of trustees reconsider its resolution of June 5, 1991 that the Interim President would not be a candidate for the presidential search process. I am flattered and honored by the confidence of these individuals in my service as Interim President.

I am deeply concerned, however, about the well being of the university and the integrity of the presidential search process. I accepted the position with this condition and respect the intent of the board. It is in the institution's interest to search broadly and find the most qualified person possible. Therefore, I cannot allow my name to be placed as a candidate at this time.

I am grateful for the confidence and support of the faculty members who signed the petition and for the many other individuals who have supported my efforts.

I have enjoyed and appreciated the opportunity to serve as the Interim President."

CRIME



WATCH

The following is a summary of incidents on campus filed with the Oakland University Department of Public Safety and Police. The purpose of this column is to inform

By KEN POWERS, Jr.
Staff Writer

Jan. 20-3:55 p.m. A woman told police that she did not realize she struck a vehicle while backing out of a parking space in Southwest Parking Lot. A man who witnessed the accident told police that she hit the vehicle's left rear quarter panel.

Jan. 21-12 p.m. A woman reported that someone struck her parked vehicle in Northeast Parking Lot.

Jan. 21. A battery was taken from an OU staff member's vehicle after she parked it on campus for three days.

Jan. 22-5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. An OU faculty member reported to police that glass was broken out of Pryale House's main door. He said that the glass was not broken when he locked it 5:30 p.m. the prior evening.

Jan. 23-8:52 a.m. An OU student told police that he fell on a patch of covered ice. According to the reports, he suffered from a broken left hip before the accident. Now, he cannot stand or walk. Police later transported him to the Graham Health Center.

Jan. 26-9:13 p.m. An OU staff member told police that he was walking from Vandenberg loading dock to his parked vehicle where he saw a man standing in front of it. The men opened the hood and tried to take something from the engine area. At this time, the complainant yelled at the men and they then ran toward Hamlin Hall. He noticed that his battery cables on his battery were detached.

Jan. 26-8:42 p.m. An OU student told police that a representative from U.S. SPRINT called her calling credit card had been used numerous times in the last two weeks. She told the representative that she only used the credit card once during that time period. The SPRINT representative said that he would cancel her card and issue her a new card. She is not sure who was using her credit card number and she added that she did not lose her card or give it to anyone else.

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OUR VIEW

World order puzzle missing peace

"Now we can see a new world order coming into view. A world in which there is the very real prospect of a new world order — in which the principles of justice and fair play protect the weak against the strong ... Our success in the gulf will shape not only the new world order we seek but our mission here at home ..."

—President George Bush, Address to Congress - March 6, 1991.

A year ago, we were in the midst of a ground war with Iraq — now we face the one year anniversary. Both of these milestones are less than pleasant. Although "anniversary" has a positive connotation, this is not time for celebration. Instead this time should be used to examine the complex and untidy transformation that has swept across the Middle East since American bombs began to fall on Baghdad one year ago. In many ways the world that existed last Jan. 16 is gone, transformed in part by President Bush's decision to go to war against Iraq and the subsequent demise of the Soviet Union.

But equally striking, as we mark the anniversary of Operation Desert Storm, is how much the war did not change or resolve. Few conflicts have ever accomplished so much so quickly and yet left so much urgent unfinished business.

Saddam Hussein not only survived, but he also thumbs his nose at Bush. The Iraqi leader scheduled mass celebrations to mark the anniversary of the beginning of the 43-day war recently in Baghdad proudly telling his people they emerged triumphant.

The unfinished nature of America's war against Hussein invites conflicting interpretations of even the significance of the Jan. 16 anniversary.

Ask an official from Israel, the multinational coalition's "silent" partner, what anniversary fell last week and he will say that it was the anniversary of the first Scud attacks on Israel, an event that naturally weighs more heavily on Israeli consciousness than does the American victory in Kuwait.

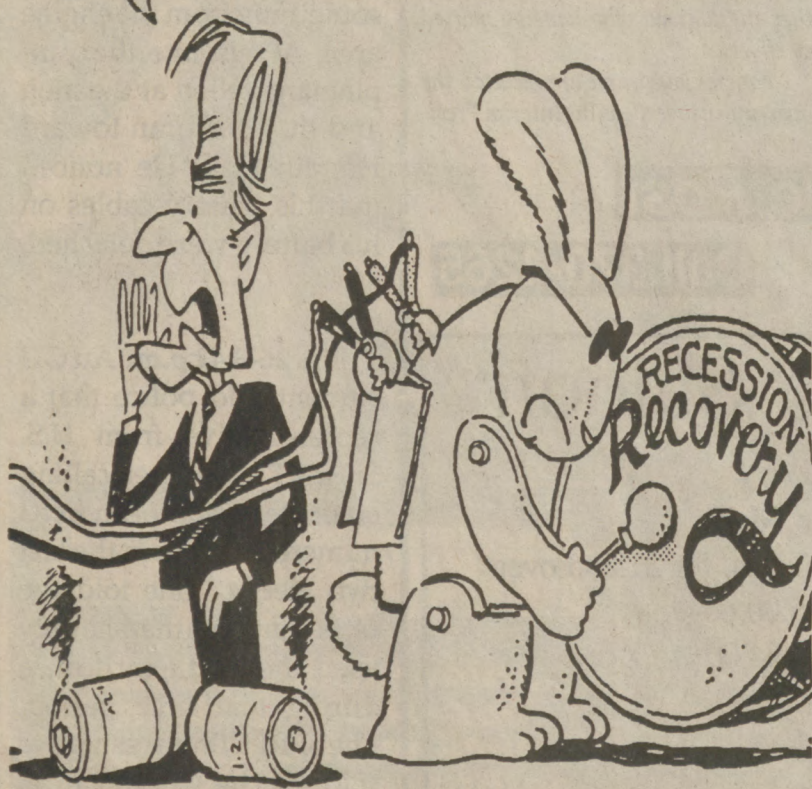
Bush will emphasize the swift liberation of Kuwait, the war's immediate goal. He will say that the war helped Americans secure unimpeded access to Middle Eastern oil, at lower prices, over the past year. And he can point to the impact of Desert Storm in ending the long imprisonment of American hostages in Beirut.

The fact remains that the gulf is still a very dangerous neighborhood. Arab victors have still not established a new balance of power or clear political direction for their region and that Iraq retains considerable military capabilities.

A year after the bombs started falling on Baghdad, Bush can proudly say he won the war (which he is sure to do repeatedly during this election season). But as the world settles into an era of fragmented power, the "peace" left in the wake of Operation Desert Storm would be better labeled as "pieces" of a complex puzzle that we will have to work to put together.

ANOTHER VIEW

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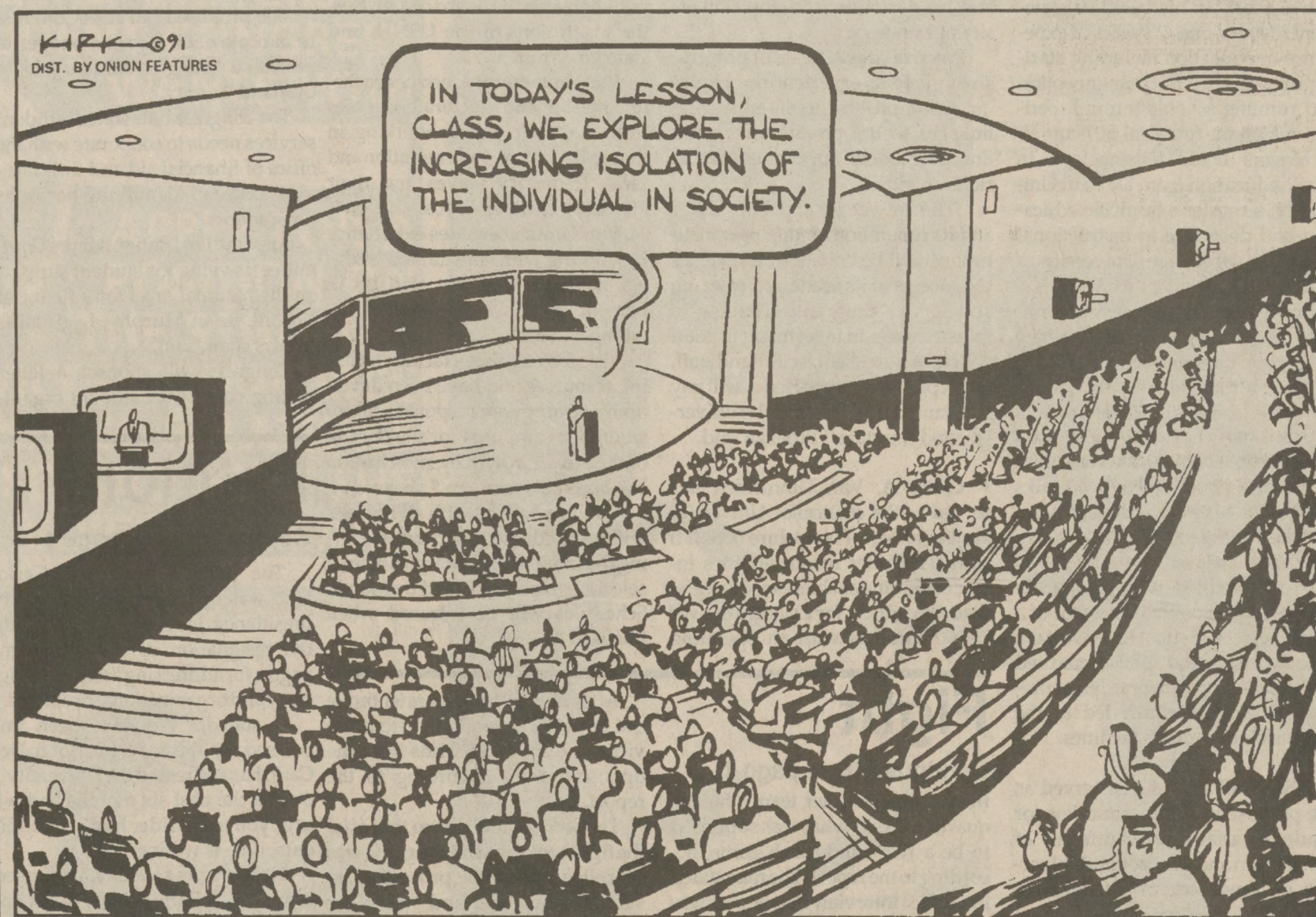
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Opinion

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Free sex flyer not meant to offend

FREE SEX

Join the 1992 Oakland University Student Congress Student Activities Board Committee. Get involved in learning about all the organizations on campus while learning all about, and being involved in financial decisions. I lied about the sex part, but it is free. Call 1992 S.A.B. Chairperson Matt Pfeilstucker at 4290 or stop by the University Congress office before January 24th for an application.

I am writing in response to the controversy over the Student Activities Board flyers. Two weeks ago I sent out flyers for applications on the SAB committee, and received no response at all. I still needed a committee, so I wanted to approach advertising in a different way. That is when I came up with the "Free Sex" headline.

The last thing I would ever want to do is offend anyone.

I apologize if I have offended individuals by this flyer. Since the headline was intended only for attention getting purposes,

I did not see anything wrong with distributing the flyer around a university campus. Within less than just one day, I received many applications. The intent of the flyers turned out to be successful, but I didn't plan on receiving so much attention.

I take my job very seriously and plan on making the new year the best.

MATTHEW PFEILSTUCKER
OU Student Congress
1992 Student Activities Board
Chairperson

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Time to find appropriate new role for men, fathers

WASHINGTON—Motherhood is necessity, a part of our nature as animals. Fatherhood is socio-cultural invention—perhaps a device for permitting men to feel as important and indispensable as women clearly are.

It's not an original thought. The anthropologist Margaret Mead said something like it when she offered: "The central problem of every society is to define appropriate roles for the men."

What, particularly, do you do with men once they've ceased to be biologically necessary?

Men—husbands—used to be necessary as hunters and defenders, then modified those roles as human-kind moved from hunting to agriculture, and again when we went industrial. But however modified, there has been a role for men.

Until now. He's not exactly wearing a sandwichboard announcing the end of fatherhood, but David Blankenhorn is worried. The head of the Manhattan-based Institute for American Values thinks we may be hurtling blindly into the Age of the Superfluous Father. On the one hand is the unlamented absent father, the divorced father, the never-was-there father, the father shrunken to the size of a wallet.

On the other is the "new father," the father who believes that human

progress depends on his ability to transcend gender-specific male roles in favor of gender-neutral "parenting."

The absent father may be more prevalent among the poor, the transformed father among middle-class intellectuals, but Blankenhorn thinks they're both part of the same troubling trend. "I find much to commend in the concept of the new father," he acknowledges in his provocative paper, "The Good Family Man." "I may well be something a new father myself—if more in practice than in theory. In short, I have a lot to say in support of nurturing fathers."

"But at the risk of being the skunk at the garden party, I will also argue that, as a cultural proposition, the new father is part and parcel of a culturally impoverished conception of fatherhood....The new father closely resembles the unnecessary father. "As a cultural proposition, the new father rests upon a premise and an imperative."

The premise is that social progress, especially for women, as well as the attainment of individual male

happiness, depends in large part upon overturning traditional masculine norms within the home....The imperative that flows from this premise is role convergence—the removal of socially defined male and female roles from family life." Supposing it's all true, what is Blankenhorn so upset about? Two things—or, rather, two categories of things. The first is

more noticeable among the overwhelmingly fatherless "underclass," where boys, denied the traditional male roles of provider and defender—often denied any utility whatever—turn to increasingly antisocial behavior.

Boys who have no fathers to guide them into manhood learn their manhood from the street, to the peril of us all.

The second category involves doing the best for the children themselves. It is not a question of right or wrong but of difference that a mother seeing her small child on a jungle gym is more likely to say "Be careful!" while the father may say, "Can you climb to the top?" The mother who asks "Where does it hurt?" is not wrong, but neither is the father

who says, "You're okay, shake it off." "Here is the point," Blankenhorn said in a recent interview: "Pity the boy or girl who does not receive both of these types of love. Neither by itself is sufficient. But together, they will make a whole and will add up to what a child needs. This is the most basic reason for the importance of the two-parent home."

Blankenhorn makes one other point. "Many adults today, for their own reasons, seek to ignore or dismiss or deny the differences between males and females. But as any parent knows, children do not share these concerns."

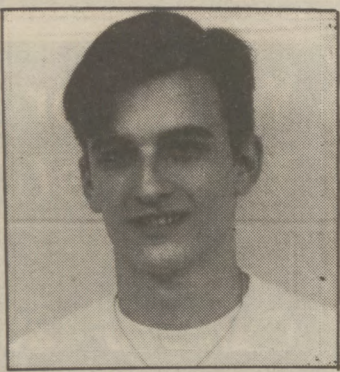
They are quite interested in the meaning of their embodiment, in how girls are different from boys. So in a certain sense, the androgynous imperative in our elite culture is simply an adult fashion that ignores some of the most basic concerns of children.

"The only decision for us to make is whether, for example, boys will define their masculinity with the help and guidance of strong fathers and other adults, or whether they will define it by themselves, perhaps with the help of MTV, or their peers in schools, or gangs of boys on the street who will be quite ready to tell them—especially if no one else does—what it means to be a real man."

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NATIONAL VIEW

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Sins of past are forever haunting

Last summer I finally got the chance to see the movie *Flatliners*.

The movie is about six pre-med students who experiment with what happens after death.

One after another, each character is purposely killed for a short amount of time, then brought back to life. After each person returns to life, they tell a story of what happened after they died.

By going back, they each brought to life an event that occurred earlier in life, where they affected a person close to them in a negative way.

In the end, for their past to stop haunting them, they had to apologize or change what had happened in their present life.

When I walked out of the theater, I thought about the one person that I really mistreated when I was younger.

Back when I lived in St. Clair Shores, my fourth grade teacher was Mrs. Simonelli.

At the beginning of the year we got along well; until she got to know the real me.

I remember sitting at my desk with my own crayons and lunch box. I couldn't wait until lunch or recess. Everyday I would play kickball, or run around yelling for no apparent reason. During class it was different. Not a second went by when I wouldn't be talking away, and Mrs. Simonelli would say, "Turn around and be quiet!"

Of course I'd ramble on, and she would end up sending me into the hall. Everyday you could see me doing my homework in the hallway or sitting outside the principal's office.

My favorite phrase was "It's not fair." Everyday I would test her patience by not listening to her, or mouthing back.

I can't believe that at nine-years old, I had the nerve to cause so much trouble with my teacher.

One day in class I was talking as usual, when my teacher told me to be quiet and go into the hall. Consequently, I got mad and started yelling at her. This time she didn't get mad or drag me down the hall by my ear.

She said nothing, and slowly dropped into her chair, covering her face with her hands in defeat. The whole class fell silent as they watched Mrs. Simonelli begin to cry. Her crying, in itself, didn't bother me, but it was the fact she was crying because of me. I could only watch.

That day I went home in silence, and all I could picture in my mind was how drained and sad she looked.

Because of that day, I looked at myself and changed dramatically. I treat teachers with respect.

I feel terrible because of what I did, and I know that I will never let that happen again.

Last summer when I saw *Flatliners*, all I could think about was calling Mrs. Simonelli, and apologizing for making that year so miserable for her. It was all in the past, but the least I could do would be to let her know how sorry I was.

Just one call to let her know I'm not on death row, or that I'm some basket case. One call to let her know that I am now in college making something of myself.

Last month, I looked in every phone book for her number, but I couldn't find it anywhere. Maybe she lives in another state, or she was unlisted. Now I can never tell her how sorry I really am.

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Mentoring program opens eyes



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George Stevens, dean of the School of Business Administration, introduced the new Mentoring Program to interested students last Wednesday at the kick-off meeting in the Oakland Center's Gold Room.

By AL COOK
Staff Writer

Life inside the cocoon of the university world can be safely warm and comforting but also fleetingly illusory. That first glimpse of the real world can be terrifying. With the growing competition of more and more graduates in a declining economy, many students are beginning to question their chances for employment when the time comes to test their mettle.

That is a reality the members of OU's School of Business Administration Alumni Affiliate have already faced, and now they have a program they hope will give OU business students the advantage they need to make it out there.

George Stevens, dean of the School of Business Administration, introduced the new Mentoring Program to interested students last Wednesday at the kick-off meeting in the Oakland Center's Gold Room.

"The bottom line concern is will you find employment. One of the best ways to do that is to interact with the community. What you know is not enough. There is enough competition out there that who you know becomes most important. Down-sizing means reduction in the work force," said Stevens.

The program matches students with alumni in the business world to act as role models, advisors, friends and resource people.

More than just a way to find that first job, the affiliate designed the program to help students get the most out of their academic program and learn about what is happening in the market now, before they join it.

"We want to blend experience with the classroom," Stevens said.

That sentiment had the listening students nodding.

"If you don't know someone, you're not going to find anything, no matter what your GPA. I hope a mentor can provide a little insight that I wouldn't have as a student," said Marcy Brock, accounting junior.

Of course, Stevens was preaching to the converted in his address. The students who attended the kick-off were first introduced to the concept of the program at Career Day or by the recommendation of a faculty member.

"At 29 cents a piece, it's too costly to send a brochure to each student. If they're not responding at Career Day, they're not interested," said Deborah Lewakowski, affiliate treasurer and participating mentor.

Requests were sent to each alumni

though, with an overwhelming response. At the time of the meeting, the response ratio was two alumni mentors for each student mentee.

That is the type of response the affiliate likes to see.

"People, once they graduate - boom - they're gone. We want to get alumni involved in the school again," Lewakowski said.

The program is meant to promote the school as well as the students but there are benefits for the alumni.

"When I interview students, I have an idea of what those programs are like, and I can pump-up those students. I can encourage other students to go to the school. OU is a very respected school," Lewakowski said.

The program is based on one devised for Georgia Tech three years ago, but is more conservative in scope. Georgia Tech uses a computerized data base serving several departments, but the OU program will be limited to the School of Business only. The Schools of Engineering and Nursing are monitoring the program.

However this is not the first mentoring program at OU.

The concept was tried in the Multi-cultural Association for Retention and College Success

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"That Scoundrel Scapin" kindles Sheridan's ride

By EILEEN OXLEY
Staff Writer

The smell of sawdust, as you enter Varner Hall, might lead you to believe there's construction going on.

Actually there is, but it's not the kind you think.

In almost every room, OU theater students and faculty scurry around the clutter of paint cans, set props, and woodwork - humming like bees around a hive. Others are involved more intensely, sewing costumes, painting backdrops and scenery. All are working around the clock, to prepare for the student play "That Scoundrel Scapin", which opens January 31 and continues to run February 1, 2, 7, 8 and 9 in the Laboratory Theater.

Professor Karen Sheridan, who directs the play, and is one of OU's new additions to its Department of Music, Theater and Dance, said it's very typical to find cast, crew, students and faculty members overlapping into other areas.

"My entire support system is

students," Sheridan said.

Her "Scapin" transforms the Moliere play into a vaudevillian romp, complete with tap dancers, jugglers, singers, contortionists, speakers of French, slapsticks and a one-man-band.

The idea emerged when students auditioned and paraded their talents before her.

"The play that you see developed out of the talent in the company," Sheridan said.

The timeless theme of miserly old men, beautiful young girls, the penniless young men who fall in love with them, and the servants trying to outwit the old men and get their money for the young people, prompted her to see the parallels and possibilities as a vaudevillian production.

"It reminded me of old vaudeville duos like Burns and Allen," Sheridan said in her office.

Like her students, Sheridan also describes herself as a "jack-of-all-trades."

"You have to be if you're going to

be in theater professionally. If you're a performer you have to know a lot about your body, your voice, all that sort of thing," Sheridan said. "It sort of happens to you if you stay in the business long enough."

During her senior year in a Chicago high school, the acting bug bit her when she witnessed a mime company performance at the Illinois High School Theater Festival.

"I had never seen Marcel Marceau," Sheridan said.

But that ignited a spark inside which gave Sheridan a burning passion for the theater.

After her undergraduate education at Chicago's Loyola University, she spent two years in France, studying under Marceau's teacher, Etienne Decroux, who taught her the technique of corporeal mime, whose style Sheridan said, is different from pantomime because it focuses on the character and emotions, rather than objects and stories.

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Professor Karen Sheridan works in the sound room while preparing for the upcoming production "That Scoundrel Scapin". Sheridan will be directing the play which opens January 31 and runs through February 9 in Varner Hall's Laboratory Theater. Ticket prices are \$5 general, \$4 senior and student, and \$3 for OU students.

Counseling center turns on "little light"

By BARBARA BUTTERWORTH
Copy Editor

No cost counseling for almost any problem is available to students and members of the community at the Practicum Counseling Center on the ground floor of O'Dowd Hall.

The Practicum Counseling Center (PCC) is an instructional center for graduate students in the final phase of their masters training.

The counseling is on a one-to-one basis with a student counselor, under close supervision by a professional counselor.

Counseling at the center is available for many problems in day-to-day living. These include problems familiar to students such as time management, test anxiety, separa-

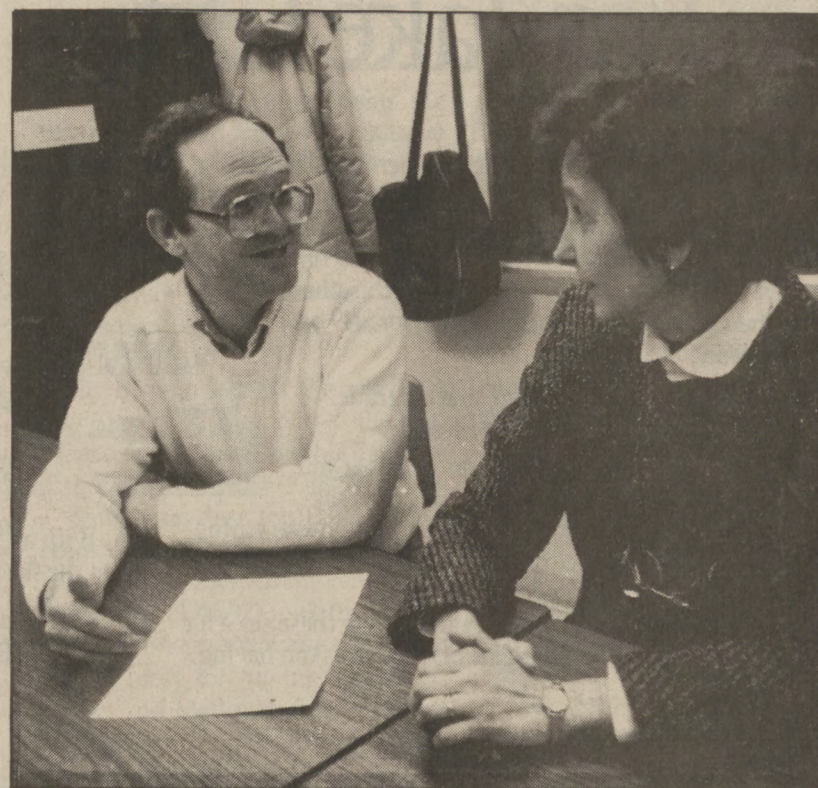
tion from parents and career issues.

The center can also help with more general problems such as depression, grief, self-esteem and relationships. For some problems such as substance abuse, the clients will be referred to a specialized program.

The program is open to all ages including children. Counseling can be for an individual, a couple or a family. Typically the sessions are once a week for 50 minutes with a minimum commitment by the client for five sessions. There is a lot of flexibility in scheduling of sessions and make-up of the sessions based on the situation.

Career counseling at the center, according to John Spence, graduate student counselor for the Practicum Counseling Center, talks with fellow counselor Nancy Zajac.

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John Spence, a graduate/student counselor for the Practicum Counseling Center, talks with fellow counselor Nancy Zajac.

Grad studies avian disease in Hawaii

By EDWARD MANDELL
Staff Writer

Paradise has a price. But working five days a week isn't much to pay for the chance to spend your winter in Hawaii.

Just ask 1990 OU Psychology graduate Amy Lou Atkinson.

She knew she was going to enjoy her three month stay in Hawaii as a Resource Assistant volunteer with the Student Conservation Association (SCA) as soon as she stepped off the plane in Honolulu last Jan. 14.

"It had just stopped raining," Atkinson said, "and there was this huge rainbow. The biggest, most full rainbow I've ever seen."

Atkinson's working vacation at See ATKINSON page 6

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the National Wildlife Health Research Center, Hawaii Volcanos Field Station, is being co-sponsored by SCA and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

SCA is a non-profit organization based in New Hampshire that for 35 years has provided expense-paid field experience in natural resources management and conservation for high school and college students, and other adults.

Atkinson, 24, learned of the opportunity to do animal research with the SCA last summer when she saw an advertisement for its programs in a copy of "Sports Illustrated."

Just before Christmas she was notified that she would be going to Hawaii to do research on diseases that are drastically lowering the native bird population.

"Needless to say, I was pretty excited about going," Atkinson said. "I've always wanted to work with

animals and this is a good way of getting my feet wet."

The research Atkinson is doing, under the supervision of Dr. Carter Atkinson (no relation), concentrates on avian malaria.

"This disease disrupts a bird's respiratory system," Atkinson said. "It lessens the ability of the bird's red blood cells to carry oxygen."

Each work day Atkinson and her colleagues hike to different parts of the Hawaii Volcanos National Park to take a count of the local bird population, and trap, band, and get blood samples from some of the birds.

The environment she works in is described as "the wet-to-dry tropical forests."

The word "forest" doesn't describe the environment, Atkinson said.

"It's really more like a thick jungle. Someone could be six feet to the side of you and you would never see him."

The dry part of the "tropical forests" consists of "miles and miles of lava rock."

Atkinson was told that just last

year a volcano erupted and wiped out a small town.

"I'm hoping to see an eruption before I have to leave," she said.

In the future Atkinson wants to attend Michigan State's Veterinary Technology school.

But for now she enjoys the field experience she is getting and the free weekends she has to explore the Island.

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(MARCS) in 1989.

That program matched community business members with freshman and sophomore students taking pre-core math and science courses.

In 1991, the mentoring concept was dropped in favor of group study tutorials through the Academic Skills Center in order to provide more effective academic assistance for the students, accord-

ing to Gary Moss, manager of Enhanced Study Programs.

However, he is all for mentoring programs.

"Networking has been going on since prehistoric times. In tribal days, an elder would school the young, bring them along. Corporations are using mentoring now to help junior employees. Ten years from now, one contact can help you," Moss said.

Information on the program is available from the Oakland University Office of Alumni Relations, John Dodge House, 370-2158.

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ate student/counselor, can cover everything from how to improve the situation in a present job to how to approach a career change.

Often, he said, clients just need to "clarify their values, what they want or improve the present situation and relationships."

Spence himself has taken a career change. He has a masters degree in economics, has taught in college and worked in computers. But it was from his work with volunteer groups that he found his way to counseling.

"I love people," Spence said. He

said he enjoys helping people sort out things and see things in a different perspective.

Spence is in the final phase of his course work as a student counselor. He will then do an internship in the community with a clinic. Spence hopes to work in a private clinic but has not decided on a definite area of concentration.

According to Spence, the student counselors show as much variation in age and background as the people they counsel. The counselors range in age from the mid-twenties to 50 so the client has a good chance to find a compatible counselor.

Because PCC is a teaching program, all the sessions are audio and

video-taped. The student counselor goes through the tape as a aid to learning and improving his or her counseling skills. The professional supervisor views the tape as needed to aid the counselor and to find areas that need improvement. Only these two people view the tapes and all tapes are erased at the end of the semester.

The center is open Monday through Thursday from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday mornings during the fall and winter semesters. Contact the PCC office at 370-4181 or the staff office at 370-4176. Elyce Cron is the manager of the PCC and will help you register and plan your sessions.

Sheridan

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"What I learned about physical discipline and specific-type movement is completely colored by what I learned in Paris," Sheridan said.

Acting, miming, clowning and part-time teaching in Chicago weren't enough for Sheridan, however, and she realized she needed the benefits of a full-time job.

After graduate school, while Sheridan was on the road with a Broadway show, she found herself "sitting in on acting classes all over" and researching university bulletins.

Sheridan said OU was one of them.

"I was flying all over the country for one-and-a-half weeks," Sheridan said. "I was most interested in Oakland. The people were very talented, friendly and serious. I felt the students here were hungry for work."

Sheridan said she finished her show on Tuesday, went back to Chicago on Wednesday, and was at OU on Thursday. She has been a faculty member since September.

A little girl came in with paint on her shoes, asking for keys.

"The scenic carpenter's daughter. This is Saturday; there are always people around," Sheridan

said, referring to the never-ending work in readying a play.

Sheridan's ready to leave her office and check on her support system.

She's wearing a colorful hand-painted t-shirt from her days as a teacher at Ringling Brothers' Clown College which she jokingly refers to as "the institution for higher hilarity."

"Every clown has his own face," she says as she points to the faces of students she taught there, which surround the slogan, "A CIRCLE OF FRIENDS."

And Sheridan returns to her new circle of friends at OU, leaving a



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Super Bowl and Lions excitement can't compare

Super Sunday. A day dedicated to the greatest game ever played... Who cares! Ever since the Lions were eliminated from "Goin' to the show," I have had a difficult time in revelling in pre-Super Bowl activities.

Let's face it, the only game I was interested in catching was the Bud Bowl.

Why am I so apathetic? I'm not real sure. It's not like the Lions let any fans down this year.

Far from it.

Plagued by injuries, this team beat some of the best teams in the NFL, changing the tune of Detroit's fair-weather-fans and cynics. They were on a roll.

Miami, Green Bay, Da Bears, Buffalo. They had taken on the best. They had taken their division.

They were the Cinderella story of the 90s.

Until they met the Redskins for the second time.

This game had to be like salt in an open wound for Lion fans everywhere. And any fan who was brave enough (or already too imbibed) to watch right up until the final moments, I salute you.

The Lions might have been outscored in that game against Washington, but they were never outclassed.

Lesser of the two evils

Sportswriters made Super Bowl XXVI out to be a sort of "Clash of the Titans."

You can argue player stats, playing field conditions and injury reports until they come out your ears, but the simple truth is: any team can be beaten on any given day.

This year's game contained two teams who (and I grudgingly admit this), deserved to be where they are.

It is just very frustrating for a lifelong Lions fan to witness your team finally making that climb up the NFL mountain; almost reaching the top and achieving infinite wisdom from some "great guru" (who probably looks suspiciously close to Vince Lombardi), only to be knocked down and have the journey again next year.

Roar will cost you more in '92

Quel supris. Rising ticket prices. Last week Lions management announced that ticket prices for the 1992-93 season would be raised by at least \$5.

Why does a team always raise their ticket prices after they've had a good season? You would think that Lions management would want to keep prices the same so they could fill up the Silverdome like they did this past year.

However, if the Lions play as well as they did this year, management could charge \$100 a ticket and probably still pack the Dome.

Curing Super Bowl Apathy

As I stated previously in this column, I really didn't care who won this year's game. As far as I'm concerned, this year's season ended with the Lions second game against the Redskins.

Unfortunately, I'm now suffering from Lions Football Withdrawal (LFW).

I don't know too much about other sports diseases, but I do know LFW is one of the worst ones

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Pioneer basketball on top

OU in a four way tie for first place in GLIAC race

By JOHN HONOS
Staff Writer

The Pioneers started last week off with a win against Ferris State at home on Thursday that gave them sole possession of first place in the GLIAC, but an away loss on Saturday to Wayne State forced OU to share the lead.

To summarize the first half of OU versus Wayne State, the lead changed five times, the score was tied five times, the Tartars had a nine-point lead, but in the end, the Pioneers finished the half on top 38-35.

OU's newest secret weapon was senior center Joel Jensen, who gave OU a one point lead with baskets at the 1:07 mark and with 43 seconds left in the half. Freshman guard Chris Wasilk scored on a driving layup with seven seconds remaining to give the Pioneers a three point lead at the half.

The second half was a different story, as the Pioneers went cold, shooting a meager 30 percent, while the Tartars shooting improved to

54.5 percent.

"We're in a shooting slump and when you are not shooting the ball well, you're not going to win games," OU head coach Greg Kampe said.

Senior guard Eric Taylor started the second half shooting 1-9 and was held to five points, but he scored 16 for the game.

Sophomore forward Tom Eller played a solid game as he led both teams with 19 points. He also captured nine rebounds to lead OU.

In other action, the Pioneers won a thriller against rival Ferris State 83-79 on Thursday.

Ferris State controlled the first half and led at halftime, 44-38 thanks to the Bulldogs' speed and 25-16 rebounding domination of OU.

"The thing that I was impressed with is that our kids were able to listen at halftime to what we wanted to do and then went out and did it," Kampe said.

Taylor scored five of his game high 23 points in the last 1:24 to help

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OU senior guard Eric Taylor tries get a shot off despite the outstretched arms of a Ferris State Bulldog defender.

The Oakland Post / Joe Pickering

Women's basketball loses to FSU at home but rebounds away at WSU

By JOE PICKERING
Staff Writer

The OU women's basketball team lost one game before winning two against one non-conference and two GLIAC teams last week making its record 12-4 overall and 4-2 in the league, putting the Pioneers in a tie for second place.

On Thursday, Jan. 23, Ferris State University came into Lepley Sports Center and battered OU, 81-63 in front of the home crowd for the team's second straight loss.

OU led by 10 mid way through the first half and trailed by only one

point at the half, 38-37, but were outscored, 43-26, in the second half.

Junior center Stacy Lamphere led OU with 22 points and sophomore forward Leisha Sadler added 14 but an average output of just over three points by eight others proved to be lethal in the 18 point drubbing.

"We were humbled," an irritated

head coach Bob Taylor said of the loss while shredding a plastic spoon apart with his fingers. "We need to talk about gut checks and heart and find out how much it (the season) means."

The squad rebounded with a win at Wayne State, 61-56, on Saturday, Jan. 25.

Lamphere was the game's high

scorer with 21 points and senior guard Jennifer Golen returned to form with 18 in coming back from her injury of two broken fingers that she suffered on Dec. 20 at Mercyhurst.

Lamphere, Golen and sophomore forward Doreen Belkowski hit six of six free throws in the last 31 seconds of the game to hold off the Tartars for the win.

The Pioneers won again on Monday, Jan. 27, hosting independent Northwood Institute, 84-76 in a seesaw battle where the Pioneers led by as many as 12 but could never put away the Northwomen.

Lamphere led the charge for the 14th time this season with 23 points, many coming from post-up plays rather than her usual three point bombs. Golen had 18 more in coming closer to being 100 percent again, sophomore forward Patty Robak added 16, including four of six three point shooting and Sadler received Taylor's attention and praise with 10.

Golen, playing without her cast the last two games, says her hand is improving greatly.

"I'm probably not 100 percent yet,

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"I don't know,
it just seemed
like a funky
game."

Bob Taylor
Basketball Coach

Pioneer of the Week

• Carl Boyd • Junior • Men's Swimming

In OU's two men's swimming victories of last week over Ashland University and Kenyon College, Boyd proved to be instrumental. He won the 1000 freestyle and 200 backstroke events away at Kenyon. At home, he won the 400 I.M. event against Ashland.

Lady swimmers earn a tie and a win

By Nanci Rosenberg
Staff Writer

Put to the test Friday Jan. 24, OU's women's swim team earned a tight 119 points tying the score with Kenyon College in Ohio.

The Division II champion Pioneers were well matched against the Division III front runners.

"It was the toughest meet we've had so far," said sophomore Amy Comerford, "it was close, but we had a lot of good scores."

OU took the lead in seven events, Kenyon in six.

The team of sophomores Amy Comerford, Jody Parker and seniors Cindy Parker and Kerry Leavoy took first place in the 400 yd Medley Relay clocking 4:01.95. Junior Shannon

ior Shannon Taylor posted a 10:40.43 to win the 1000 yd Freestyle, Comerford won the 200 yd. Individual Medley with 2:10.27 and senior Lyn Schermer earned a time of 1:55.10 in the 200 yd Freestyle.

The 400 yd. Freestyle relay was won by the team of Leavoy, J. Parker, junior Laura Fischer, and Schermer in a "very fast" time of 3:33.08. Comerford won the 200 yd Backstroke with 2:10.07 and sophomore Ingrid Bartnik soared in the 3-Meter Diving event, earning 245.85 points.

"We knew to win the meet we'd have to win both relays," Huth said, emphasizing the "exceptionally good" times. He added that the Pioneers had beaten Kenyon the past

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Male tankers take two

By ERIC DeMINK
Staff Writer

The Pioneers accepted challenges from Kenyon College (Fri.) and Ashland University (Sat.), and cruised to their fifth straight meet victory in 1992.

Travelling to Gambler, Ohio, Friday, the Pioneers thumped Kenyon, 135-107, taking nine of thirteen events ran.

In winning the first six events, the Pioneers created a disparity that the Lords could not overcome.

OU's first claim was the 400 Medley Relay, a nine second edge by juniors Carl Boyd, Jeff Van Norman, senior Eric McIlquham, and sophomore Sean Peters. The four splashed in in 3:29.21.

Boyd, who led off the previous relay, returned in event two, the 1000 Freestyle, and captured his deuce in just over two-tenths (9:48.59).

Senior standout Jon Teal was one second plus better in the 200 Freestyle (1:42.74). Swim mate senior Phil Schwaiger (1:46.97) took third.

The Pioneers went one and two in the 50 Freestyle. Dueling seniors Jeff Seifert and McIlquham squared off and when the mist cleared, Seifert emerged the victor in a razor thin margin of nine one-hundredths.

Event five, the 200 Individual Medley, was Van Norman's second conquest. The sprinter eclipsed his

foe by just over two-tenths in 1:57.23. Junior Doug Allen's 1:58.90 was good for third.

OU's sixth consecutive triumph happened in the 400 Freestyle Relay. Harnessing seniors Seifert (:47.04), Schwaiger (:48.05), and Teal (:44.98), and sophomore Peters (:46.64), the Pioneers outsplit Kenyon by just under five seconds, 3:06.71 to 3:11.13.

The Pioneers, after scoring a second and third in the 200 yard Butterfly, swept Kenyon in the 100 Freestyle. Teal (:45.98) garnered his triple taking the event just under two-tenths, better than swim mates Seifert (:47.51), and Peters (:48.07).

Event ten, the 200 Backstroke was a one-two finish for Pioneers and also Boyd's treble. Boyd's comet blazed in in 1:53.09 (a Kenyon pool record) four seconds better than mate McIlquham's 1:57.74.

Junior diver, Marc Hairston returning from an ankle injury which kept him out last week, managed two seconds in the one and three meter boards scoring 278.78 and 255.30, respectively.

Van Norman (2:14.68) and senior Shayne Wilson (2:14.21) finished Kenyon in event thirteen, the 100 Breaststroke, finishing one-two.

The Pioneers returned to Lepley Saturday afternoon and made

short work of its Ohioan opponent, Ashland University.

Taking seven of eleven events, OU rolled 112-77.

This day's feature presentation was orchestrated by the 200 Medley squad of Boyd, Van Norman, McIlquham, and Teal. The four established a new pool record, swimming a 1:34.98 which was just under a second better than that (1:35.82) set by Orr, Surowiec, McIlquham and Seifert in 1989.

Freshman Steve Traube followed by capturing the 1000 Freestyle in 10:20.00. Peters carried second, 29 seconds off. Traube later returned in the 100 Butterfly to take his second win.

After Seifert, freshman Jamie May, and Wilson swept the 200 Freestyle, then juniors Jon Stump and Enos Pritchett and Schwaiger added points in the 50 Freestyle, taking spots two, three, and four. The Pioneers also nailed down spots one through five in the 400 Individual Medley. Led by Boyd (4:16.83), Pioneers Newton, Van Norman, Allen, and Wilson (both Allen and Wilson swam exhibition) washed out the rest of the field.

A brilliant individual effort by all-American Teal in the 100 Freestyle (:45.71) was only seven one-hundredths off the pool record established by Hilton Woods in 1989. It

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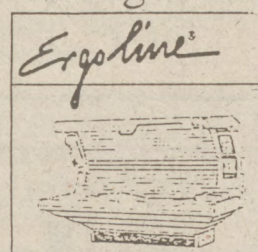
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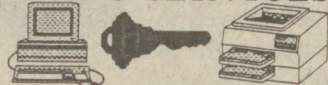
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Pioneers

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the Pioneers in the last minute win. Taylor also had five assists and five steals.

Eller turned in another "stellar" performance as he scored 18 points and owned the boards with 16 rebounds. Eller made two free throws with 23.6 seconds left to give the Pioneers enough to win the game.

Freshman guard Mario McIntosh helped the Pioneer cause with 15 points, six of which were from three point range.

Senior forward Lee Fitzpatrick played a solid game by adding eight points and capturing nine boards. Two of his points came with 3.7 seconds left by making a pair of clutch free throws to seal the victory for OU.

Thanks to OU's wins and losses, the race for first place in the (GLIAC) is definitely heating up with four teams; OU, Wayne State, Grand Valley and Michigan Tech are all tied for first with 4-2 records.

To complicate matters, three teams, Ferris State, Northern Michigan, and Saginaw Valley are lurking only one game behind, all tied second place at 3-3.

Lions

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As for the winner of the bowl game, I predicted that Bud Lite would massacre its opposition. After all, it was the only real game I be watched anyway.

Women

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Golen said, smiling.

Taylor was pleased with the win but not with the level of the team's play.

"I don't know, it just seemed like a funky game," Taylor said. "We get up by 12 or 14 and they get right back in it."

On the other hand, Golen sees improvement.

"I think we're building momentum, I really do," she said.

Swimmers

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two years.

Friday's meet was "very competitive and intense, it was nip 'n tuck the whole way" said head women's swim coach Tracy Huth, he added that this was best dual meet he'd been associated with as coach.

"The crux of the weekend was focused on Kenyon, it could of gone either way," said Huth.

The Pioneers traveled to Ohio again Saturday Jan. 25 in a less challenging meet with Ashland University. The Pioneers drowned their opponents 116 to 70 points.

"We knew (Ashland) wouldn't be tremendous competition, the meet was set up to prepare us for back-to-back competitions in upcoming conference and national meets," Huth said.

The swimming Pioneers next meet will be in two weeks against Northern Michigan University.

OU loses to Lake Superior State

Editor's note: due to an error, last issue's women's basketball story was the incorrect one. This is the story that should have run under last week's headline "Women's basketball loses first GLIAC game at LSSU". We apologize for any inconvenience.

By JOE PICKERING
Staff Writer

The OU women's basketball team came into the week ranked fourteenth in the NCAA Division II poll but dropped its third decision this season to Lake Superior State University on Saturday, Jan. 18, 65-61, in Sault Ste. Marie to fall into a three-way tie for second place in the GLIAC race with a 3-1 league record and 10-3 overall.

The Pioneers saw a 21 point performance from junior center Stacy Lamphere as well as 11 from sophomore forward Patty Robak and 10 from senior guard Jennifer Golen but an average output of only 3.8 points from five other Pioneers was not nearly enough offense to

come away with a win.

"We didn't play well - but not terrible," head coach Bob Taylor said. "I was most disappointed when we were up by 12 and didn't try to up it (the score) more and we gave up too many easy baskets. We've got to be more consistent and realize we're a team that scores off defense."

Midway through the season, with 14 games remaining, 12 of which are league games, the Pioneers are accomplishing some of the goals that were set by the coaching staff before the season began.

Taylor wanted three point shots to fall like rain this season and also wanted to emphasize defense.

Oakland is second in the nation and leads all other GLIAC schools in three-point field goal percentage hitting over 41 percent. OU is also ranked near the top in scoring offense, least points allowed by the defense, field goal percentage and scoring margin.

Amid the progress, as in most cases, with the good comes the bad. OU is ranked last in the GLIAC free throw percentage.

Individually, Lamphere is second

in the league in scoring with a 19.3 average per game, Lamphere and Robak are first and second in three-pointers made per game, Jessie Powell is second in field goal percentage at 60.7 and five of the top eight three-point field goal percentage leaders in the GLIAC are Pioneers.

Statistics are fine but they do not erase losses and that is why coach Taylor is not as content as he would like to be.

"All three of our losses we had a chance to win," said Taylor. "Now we're behind the eight ball and have to work harder and win and hope other teams lose. Every game we've got to lace up our sneakers and score more layups off defense in the transition game and maintain our aggression level to be conference champions."

SUPER BOWL XXVI

• Staff writer Joe Pickering was the winner of last week's Super Bowl picks with his almost perfect selection of Washington- 38-24.

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The Pioneers will need that momentum as 6-0 Michigan Tech comes in on Thursday and Northern Michigan, a team near the top of the GLIAC along with OU, visits on Saturday for two games that could decide the league champion.

Ashland with a one-two finish in the 100 Backstroke. In the return engagement between these dueling seniors, McIlquham and Seifert, however, McIlquham (:54.14) came out on top (re: the 50 Freestyle event at Kenyon).

"I was really pleased with our overall effort," said Pioneer head swimming coach Pete Hovland. "There was a lot of people there and that added to the excitement. We rose to the occasion."

The Pioneers will next see action on Jan. 31 against national nemesis California State at Bakersfield, in a telephone meet.

Tankers

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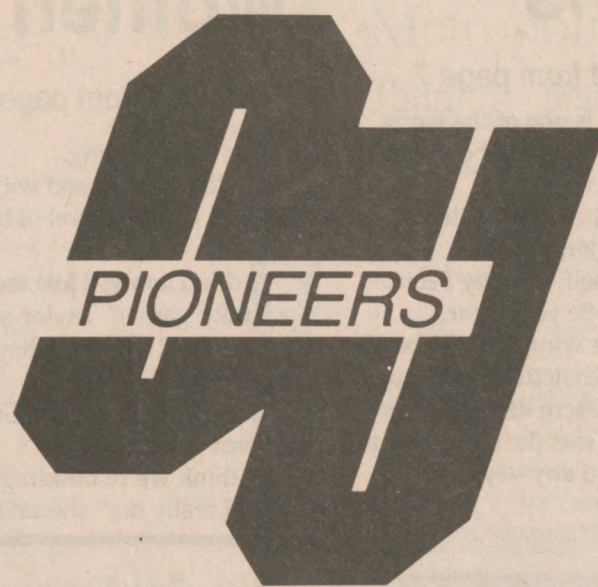
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