Local News

Before the end of the year, the House may decide whether to impeach President Clinton.

Campus News

OU Police officer now offers instructional training in self defense in assault situations.

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Men's Basketball is struggling to stay alive in Division I, as they head to a game in Cincinnati.

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FACTS

Open Forum

There will be an open forum today discussing the construction of the new R &S Sharf golf course.

The forum will take place from 3 - 4: 30 p.m in the OC Oakland Room.

Religious Diversity Week

OU is celebrating Religious Diversity Week with the following events:

• Religious and Outreach Student Organizations Day today from 11 a.m. -1: 30 p.m. in the OC Fireside Lounge.

 Peace and Justice Issues Awareness Bash featuring speakers Bill and Mary Carry, Co-Founders of Lighthouse, 6:30 p.m. at St. John Fisher Chapel.

Dinner will be provided. R.S.V.P. by calling (248)- 370-2189.

• "Stump the Christian" Game Show Sponsored by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship Thursday from noon-1:00 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

• "Shaping Influences" lecture presented by Michael Gillespie, Associate Professor of Theatre, also from noon-1 p.m. in the OC Oakland Room.

• Friday is A Day of "Inner Peace" and Personal Reflection.

• A Day of Community Service Saturday, with an opportunity to volunteer at Pontiac Rescue Mission Soup

Call Lisa Abad, Catholic Campus Minister, at (248)-370-2189, and meet at St. John Fisher Chapel at 10: 30 a.m.

· "Holiday Caroling" at Detroit nurs-

Call Fred Traugott, Lutheran Campus Minister, at (248)-528-9340.

Meet in room 125 OC at 4: 15 p.m.

Museum lecture

Honors College presents "The Museum Profession: Arts and Culture Organizations Today," presented by Lisa Ashby, executive director of Meadowbrook Hall.

The lecture will be held Thursday, Dec. 3, from noon to 1 p.m. at the Honors College, 112 Vandenberg Hall.

Leadership discussion

The last of "The President's Club" round table discussions addressing "the trials and tribulations of being a student leader at OU" will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 9, from 3-4: 30 p.m. in room 126-127 OC.

Student leaders will come together to problem solve, and collaborate on activities.

For more information, contact Jean Ann Miller, assistant director for Student Activities and Leadership Development at (248) 370-2400.

Stress-Free Zone

Student Program Board (SPB) is sponsoring a Stress-Free Zone Wednesday, Dec. 9, from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the OC Fireside Lounge.

Activities include playing board games, coloring, drawing, cards, messages, and a raffle.

Admission is free.

VPAA airport interviews to start

By LIDIJA MILIC **News Editor**

The future of OU's top administration may be flying into town this weekend.

The search committee for Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost met Saturday, Nov. 21 to select 10 applicants who will fly or drive in for airport interviews Dec. 5-6. The interviews, set to

begin at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Hilton tive associate vice chancellor for academic Suites near Detroit Metropolitan Airport, affairs at University of Illinois, Chicago; are open to the public.

committee's support based on a point system, are:

• Tony Atwater, associate vice president for academic affairs at University of

• John Wanat, vice provost and execu-

· Jane Ollenburger, dean of social sci-The chosen applicants, listed in order of ences and public affairs at Boise State University, Idaho;

> · Y. T. Shah, chief research officer and senior vice provost for graduate studies at Clemson University, South Carolina;

· Greg Weisenstein, dean of the School

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Faculty, staff, students protest R&S Sharf golf course; forum set for 3 p.m. today, second protest planned

By KELLI PETROVE Assistant Sports Editor

OU planners may have bogeyed at least one hole in their plans to build a new \$4.5 million 18-hole golf course on the south and east side of campus.

A Nov. 19 protest by sign-waving faculty and students sporting green ribbons has reportedly led to a compromise of sorts on at least one, maybe two planned holes, sources said.

The re-design may be disclosed at the scheduled forum at 3 p.m. today or at the Board of Trustees meeting Thursday. More than 150 people at the rally opposed the site of construction, which they said would destroy the natural wetlands and interrupt ongoing biological

The 10th and 12th holes may be relocated due to their proximity to the wasp nests, which are crucial to research.

A second protest is set at the same location for 1 p.m. Thursday, prior to the Trustees 2 p.m. meeting. Picket signs were handed out by orga-

nizers with logos depicting the need to save the wooded area of OU. "There are two things that bother me

about the golf course," junior Shalana Stewart said. "It is taking away from the children that go on nature walks, and it's ridicu-

lous for the people who are going to lose their thesis work."

Supporters of the rally hoisted their



ANTI-GOLF: Members of OU community held a protest Thursday, Nov. 19 against the planned golf course that would eliminate wooded area on campus.

signs, as chants of "Trees not Tees" and as Channel UPN 50 covered the protest. "Research not Revenue" filled the area

The rally also got television exposure,

While some of the rally supporters between North Foundation and Wilson walked and chanted in front of cameras from WKBD Channel 50, others handed

See PROTEST page 2

Animal facility to open in spring

By DIANE FRKAN Staff Writer

After months of construction, congested parking and inconvenience, the new stateof-the-art animal care laboratory adjacent to the Science and Engineering Building will be completed in spring of 1999.

According to Pat Beaver, information specialist at the office of grants, contracts and sponsored research, the university received a \$1 million grant in 1996 from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Center for Research Resources. OU provided the rest to fund the then

\$3.4-million construction. Today, the facility costs \$5.8 million with the discrepancy funded from the general fund money, according to Ted Montgomery, media relations director for

The facility is three stories high and 10,000 square feet of space to be used for biomedical research, animal housing and

According to Montgomery, most of the

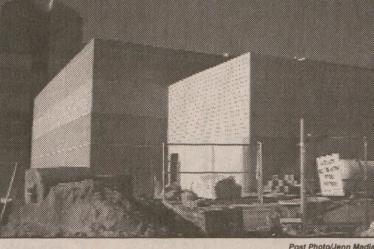
research to be performed in the facility will be eye-related, in conjunction with the OU's Eye Research Institute.

He said other types of research will be conducted as well in the new facility, but he would not specify the type. Montgomery

also said the aniguinea pigs and rabbits, along

ting edge research.

The number of animals kept in the lab will vary according to the type of research conducted, Montgomery added.



mal lab will ANIMAL LAB: The facility, currently under construction, will house mice, rats, house state-of-the-art animal research technology at SEB.

He said that without research conducted with state-of-the-art technology for cut- on animals, many childhood diseases like leukemia, cancer and eye diseases would

> At press time, none of the biology faculty members returned phone calls.

not have been preventable or curable.

Trustees discuss future at retreat

By LISA MUMMA Staff Writer

OU insiders expect a large turnout at tomorrow's Board of Trustees meeting.

In addition to discussing the planned R & S Sharf golf course, the board will talk about three possible new facilities: a new ice arena, commercial performing arts center and hotel-convention

At a board retreat held at the Westin Hotel on Nov. 19, these special initiatives were proposed to improve OU's strategic

In an agendum addressed to the board for Thursday's meeting, OU President Gary Russi said, "All three of these facilities could be joined at one site on campus, a multi-purpose complex. Conferees and hotel patrons would have access to performing arts, the theatre and art gallery, the golf courses, the music festival, campus lectures, student performances and exhibitions and Meadow Brook Hall."

Russi asked the board to help him "explore various financing options as well as opportunities for partnering" outlined in the board packet by the April 1999 meeting. Board meeting minutes indi-

cated the three-building complex would be located on the corner of Squirrel and Butler Some faculty members see

these proposals, especially in light of the recent addition of the Sharf golf course, as commercialization of a public institu-They are hopeful that the acad-

emic link will be a strong one and that students will be the ultimate beneficiaries. "My concern is primarily for

the student performers and technicians," said Michael Gillespie, associate professor of theatre. "I would support it if they

could apply their trade to enhance their talents and skills." In an effort to accomplish the academic mission of the OU performing arts and implement the strategic plan, Chair of the Music, Theatre and Dance department Carol Halsted has submitted a proposal to Russi that incorporates the existing Varner Hall facilities with the proposed performing arts cen-

Halsted said the department has experienced phenomenal growth and is in dire need of performance and rehearsal

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• Career Resource Center (CRC). Hours for the CRC, located in 121 NFH, continue Tuesday-Thursday, noon-4 p.m. (open counseling), and Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-noon (by appointment). Students are invited to stop by to learn about the information resources and services now available at

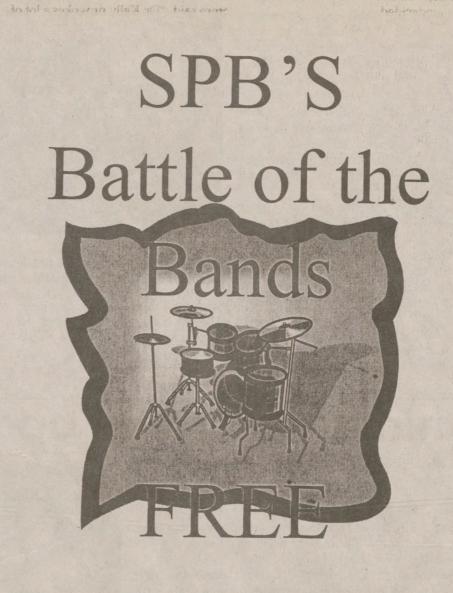
• Memberships for the new Rec Center are still available fro student spouses, faculty, staff, alumni and their families. Check out the Rec Center during open hours Monday-Friday, 6 a.m.-11 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.

THIS WEEK

- Volunteers are needed to help read exams and books onto tape. For more information please contact the Office of Disability Support Services, 157

 N. Foundation Hall, 370-3266.
- Professional Placement Recruiting. Fall semester on-campus recruiting continues at Placement & Career Services, 275 VBH West. Graduating students who have not yet accepted job offers are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the many opportunities ongoing through early December to interview with employers.





The applications are in and five bands have been selected to compete for \$400 in prizes.

Come enjoy the show and be the judge.

Friday Dec. 4th at 8 pm Gold Rooms in the OC

Protest

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out pamphlets listing reasons why OU should stop construction.

According to the pamphlets, more than 340 students per year use the natural campus to complete biology courses; three graduate students are currently using the natural woods for their thesis research; and classes use the woods for research.

Among the speakers were Geoffrey Brieger, chair of the University Senate environment committee, Dick Tucker, history professor and Susan Wood, associate professor of art history.

Several students, including members of the campus Greens environmental group, also spoke at the rally.

Rhetoric associate professor Margaret Pigott brought her COM 301 class to the rally.

D'Shondra Wolfe, a student from Pigott's class, said, "They say they are going to get money from the new golf course, but it's not like the students are going to see any of it."

The class was assigned to write a letter to OU President Gary Russi asking whether he supported or opposed the golf course construction.

"I do not agree with the Board of Trustees decision," Pigott said. "They don't understand the value of that resource."

According to Pigott, the construction will rip away all of the natural grass including some sections which are rare prairie grass.

"Prairie grass is preserved."

"Prairie grass is preserved because it is extremely rare. It ties us to the prairie atmosphere," she said.

According to the picketers, the woods are not only an area of research, but for many, a beautiful place to relax and enjoy the natural environment.

"It is an incredible, beautiful source of wildlife and plants for all of us."

The OU administration responded to the rally by distributing an information sheet with a statement from David Downing, interim vice president of academic affairs and provost, and Lynne Schaefer, vice president of finance and administration.

Senior administrators were off campus at a board retreat in Southfield when the protest occurred.

The Downing/Schaefer memo included the following:

- "The revenue from the new golf course will enhance the ability of the Foundation to support academic programs, including scholarships and equipment for faculty research initiatives.
- "The existing Katke-Cousins Golf Course has provided \$30 million since it opened in 1977 for academic programs and research, a model the Sharf course will expand.
- "The new course will actually help preserve large sections of the natural land in and around it, which will allow academic research and course work to continue to be held in these areas.
- "Plans call for enhancements of the nature trail system that is currently in place, which will add to the enjoyment of community members as they use this area."

Neither Downing nor Schaefer returned THE POST phone calls.



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Local News

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CALENDAR

FESTIVALS & SHOWS

• Holiday Gift Gallery The Paint Creek Center for the Arts presents its Holiday Gift Gallery preview party to benefit its non-profit art center. Open to the public through Dec. 23. Paint Creek Center for the Arts, Rochester. Call (248) 651-4110.

• Traditions of the Season See Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village decked out in holiday decor. Experience past holiday

customs as costumed presenters busy themselves preparing for holiday celebration by crafting, cooking, and baking. Hands on activities for the whole family. Now through Sunday, Jan. 3. Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, Dearborn. Call (313) 271-1620.

• OU Art, Book and Gift Fair Student organizations, faculty and staff present a variety of handcrafted items, including homemade food. Tuesday, Dec. 8, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oakland Center, Oakland University. Call (248) 370-3245 for info or to reserve a table.

• Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center Holiday Shop

More than 100 juried artists from across the US in glass, ceramics, jewelry, sculpture, dolls, fibers, wearable art, wood and framed fine art will be featured. Open now through Saturday, Dec. 12. 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, Birmingham. Free admission.

FOR YOUR HEALTH

• Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependencies

An educational program, sponsored by Henry Ford Health of Maple Grove. Wednesday, Dec. 2, 7:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. Maple Grove, Conference Room B, West Bloomfield. Free admission. Call (248) 661-6170.

FUNDRAISERS

• Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis A 5K and one mile walk to support the Michigan Chapter Arthritis Foundation, taking place on the streets of Birmingham. Sunday, Dec. 6. Call (248) 350-3030 for information.

• Children's Only Holiday Shop An opportunity for children to purchase Christmas gifts for their families. Gifts range from \$1 to \$8. Proceeds go to Community House. Wednesday, Dec. 2 through Saturday, Dec. 12. 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Community House, Birmingham. Call Debbie Fellberg at (248) 594-6407.

OF INTEREST TO ALL

 Auburn Hills Tree Lighting Ceremony

The fifth annual ceremony features the tree lighting by the mayor, caroling, a "talking tree", a visit from Santa and refreshments. Monday, Dec. 7, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Auburn Hills City Hall. Call (248) 370-9353.

• Franklin Holly Day Historic Home

Sponsored by the Franklin Village Merchants. Saturday, Dec. 5, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Holly, MI. Admission: \$8 per person, available at village businesses. Call Sandy Lang at (248) 855-4613.

Let us know about upcoming community events. Local News **Editor Kim Connell** can be reached at (248) 370-4267

House debating Clinton's fate

By KIM CONNELL and DAMON BROWN Local News Editor and Staff Writer

Impeachment hearings for President Bill Clinton may do more harm than good. may bring the year-long investigation to a close

soon, according to the latest turn of events in the House impeachment investiga-

The House Judiciary Committee has set Dec. 14 as the day to recommend whether Clinton should be impeached, censured or both.

Senator Spencer Abraham, R -Mich., said in a statement that he is "very concerned" about Clinton's actions.

"Like most Americans, I'm very disappointed at what has transpired, primarily the long time frame during which the President asserted one thing and now it turns out to be untrue," he said.

Clinton is being investigated on charges of obstruction of justice, perjury, and the abuse of office in order Clinton said he did not remember his actions.

to conceal evidence of an improper sexual relationship with former White House intern, Monica Lewinsky. Some politicians, however, fear that impeachment

> Voter backlash is a worry for Republicans, as shown in a loss of congressional power in recent elections. Many fear the fight for certain issues like social security

> > As of Nov. 29, Republicans said that they are just short of votes to impeach Clinton on one count of perjury.

reform and tax cuts may collapse.

Also this past weekend, Clinton gave a 24-page response to House Judiciary Committee questioning, led by Representative Henry Hyde,

The 81 questions, posed to Clinton on Nov. 5, were to help clarify conflicting information presented in both Clinton and Lewinsky's testimonies.

In his response, there were 17 occasions where

Some House Judiciary Committee members expressed concern over the questioning, claiming that it did not resolve conflicts between the testimonies, and that it was intended to revive impeachment inter-

Many committee Democrats question whether Clinton is being investigated politically or personally. OU Political Science Professor John Kelly feels that Clinton has not committed an impeachable act.

"(Clinton's case is) not with office, but with private conduct. Not good on a moral or ethical plane, or good standard, but not an impeachable activity," he said.

Also in question is whether prosecuting Clinton is an act of political malice against Democrats by Republicans.

'One can be only speculative about their motives. Obviously the Republican leaders expected these very things to, shall we say, 'gross out' the public," said OU political science Professor Thomas Casstevens.

Regardless of motive, the investigation continues. Clinton and his lawyers have been invited by Hyde to present their defense on Dec. 8. There has been no response yet to the offer. The House is expected to vote on the issue on Dec. . 14.

History class follows impeachment inquiry

By DAMON BROWN Staff Writer

Read the syllabus for PS 301 and you'll realize that it isn't your average political science class.

The course is titled, "American Presidency and the Executive Process," but is affectionately subtitled "Sex, Lies and Videotape" by class professor John

Kelly's class has become more intense than usual in light of the Clinton

"He focuses on Clinton with issues parallel to class. It is a good time to take the class," said sophomore Heather Barnes, undecided.

PS 301 goes beyond the scope of Clinton, however. Kelly believes that the past must be known to understand today's political climate.

"It should be a five-part course. It is too much material. (However), you can only see the scope of the power by looking at the history," Kelly said.

The class focuses on history and the results of presidential decisions. Among topics covered were the strategies of President Harry Truman and the midterm partisan shifts in Congress.

History is also made relevant to today, with the Clinton investigation in particular. For instance, parallels were drawn between Independent Council Lawrence Walsh's actions just prior to George Bush's 1992 failed election and Independent Council Kenneth Starr's actions just prior to this year's Congressional elections.

Kelly also brings insights from his own experiences into the class. He was a Michigan senate representative from 1978 - 1994 and ran for US senate in 1994. He has also practiced law, specializing in commercial transactions, and has traveled to many locations world-

However, despite his worldliness, he still comes back to college teaching, which he has done for 25 years.

"There is no better place than teaching - for I get more joy out of teaching than practicing law or making money. (It's a) great source of change - (it) helps people think of things and they spread it to other people."

Students agree that discussion and analysis are a major part of the class.

"He has a humorous slant on the political system, an interesting presentation. He keeps our attention," said junior Matt Abood, elementary educa-

Post-baccalaureate student Rich Fromm said, "Dr. Kelly provokes a lot of class discussion - it is a great aspect."

Heated discussions are not rare in the class, and that is how Kelly wants it.

'I encourage dissent. I encourage argument against my ideas. That's why they get mad when I don't lecture. I don't care what they think, as long as they put thought into it," Kelly said.

"(I want to) get them to question all these people running for office- why they want the office, what they want to do, why it isn't just another election."

First and foremost, the purpose of the class is to show students the importance of the U.S. president, Kelly said.

"It is the most significant, important office in the world," Kelly said. "Presidential leadership has an effect on everyone. One office, one human being, has an effect on everyone - it's amaz-

Impeachment on the Web

Censure and move on: www.moveon.org House Judiciary Committee: www.house.gov:80/judiciary/icreport.htm Democratic side of impeachment: www.house.gov/judiciary_democrats/impe_ ach.htm



INTENSE EXAMINATION: Political Science Professor John Kelly discusses the presidency with students in PS 301. One focus of the class is President Clinton.

CAMPUS VOICE

Should Clinton be punished for his involvement with Monica Lewinsky? If so, how?

"If he lied or tried to cover it up somehow, I think he should be impeached." - Katie Chapman, freshman, elementary education

"Yes, I think he should be impeached, but not just because of the scandal." - Cara Shelly, professor of history

"No, the investigation itself had nothing to do with his ability to run the country." - Scott Krueger, sophomore, history

"I think he should be punished for lying. Not impeachment, but something needs to be done."

- Bethanne Gossiaux, sophomore, elementary education

"No, I don't think that adultery measures up to the high crime of impeachment." - Tom Discenna, special lecturer in communications, incoordinator of broadcast services

"I think censure is a better idea. Impeachment would disrupt our political sta bility too much."

- Mark Jackson, professor and adjunct faculty

Students should care about Clinton prosecution

Mike Simon



Let me first preface this by stating that these opinions are purely my own, and do not reflect those of my family, my friends, my cat, or my boss—especially my boss, a U.S. Congressman. Given the nature of his job and mine, I'd hate for someone to attribute my words to

Having said that, let me now state: I...don't...care. I don't care about the mess, the dress, the cigar, Ken Starr. Perjuries and grand juries, I hear about it every day, and you know what? I don't care.

But I should.

During the initial impeachment hearing debate, Congressman John Conyers stated that if a survey were to be taken at that moment, the majority of Americans would prefer to not hear about the "relationship" ever again. Recent polls show that opinion still to be the case. We've heard the testimonies, the reports, the jokes. Still don't care. But we should.

Why? Let's look at the big picture. The 400 pound gorilla of the planet, the United States, thanks to its leader, has created a political sinkhole. As a result of the his actions, our legislative branch, voted "Most Likely to Do...Something," turned an issue of questionable business practices to one of questionable morals. This (election) year, anybody who appeared in the same room as the President was automatically labeled as being down with OPP. Even now, the

Republicans accuse the Democrats of trying to sweep it under the rug, the Democrats accuse the Republicans of stretching this out until the next Presidential election, and the end result? Nothing gets accomplished. No big winners, 270 million big losers.

The reason we should care is because the Great Superpower, or Great Satan, depending on your geographic region of choice, has shown a chink in its mighty armor. The nation once feared by all has indeed become somewhat of a laughingstock, not because of what the President did, but because of all the attention devoted to it. To a world where monarchs have mistresses and porn stars join Parliament, this is nothing new. People afraid of an attack on our own borders now also fear a leadership lacking in vision, as they remain distracted from their primary objective, running our country and preserving the

rights of the American citizen.

We should care, because if people are prepared to place the President under such scrutiny for his...peccadilloes, it means standards are changing in our society that call for people to do more than tread lightly in their work activities and daily activities. Just think, that seemingly harmless picture of you with the Cabbage Patch Kid may come back to haunt you when applying for that mortgage. Don't think it could happen? One word: McCarthyism.

Yeah, I know-he lied. Now tell me you've believed everything he's said in the last 6 years, then tell me it's the first time you discovered a politician lying. The hearings are still going on. We don't care, but we should. Why? We could be next.

Mike Simon is an OU alum and legislative assistant to 9th District Congress Rep. Dale Kildee (D).

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Editor's View

Students encounter double whammy during holidays

hanksgiving has come and gone and Christmas is on the way.

That means many things for many different people. After all, it "Tis the season."

But for students, particularly college students, it's not the season to be jolly, or the season to look forward to seeing Santa Claus.

It "Tis the season," however, to be cranky, stressed and anticipating, or preparing for finals.

Oh, and let's not forget about being strapped for money even more than usual.

So, with all this to look forward to in the next three weeks, many students would have to agree with Ebenezer Scrooge when he says, "Bah Humbug."

Go to the malls. Many people have started their Christmas shopping. But, who will you see? Moms, dads, grandmas, grandpas, teenagers and children. At this time, the majority of college students you will find at the malls will be those working behind the counters.

So, you may be wondering where all the rest of the students are.

Well, they're where they should be. Studying, cramming, researching-having anxiety attacks.

This time of year is undoubtedly the most stressful part of the academic year. The holiday's have a tendency of stressing anyone out, but for a college student it couldn't possibly come at a worse time.

This is the time where we sit and wonder where all our time went and how we allowed ourselves to get so behind. It's also the time where we wonder how we can possibly get everything under control and finished- ON TIME.

Hmm, what or who, besides ourselves, is to blame for this awful predicament we've found ourselves in? It's called procrastination. It's an unfortunate philoshpy that follows many students. It's an evil thing that won't go away no matter how hard we try to avoid it. So, what can we do to see the light at the other end of the tunnel?

Unfortunately, not much. Stay calm and take one day

It's tough and many find themselves snapping at others for no apparent reason, which leads to more problems and more stress.

If you find yourself feeling overwhelmed and upset, take a break from everything-homework, studying, your significant other, friends, family and work.

Sometimes just taking a breather and breaking away from the computer and books, even for five minutes, can make a world of difference.

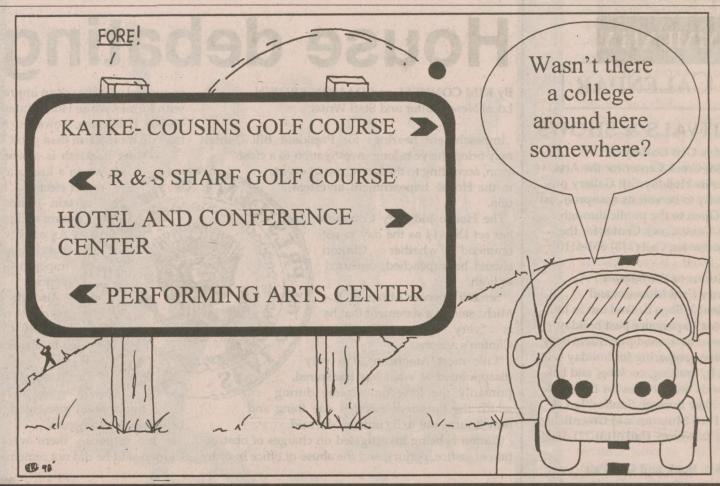
Watch your favorite movie, go jogging, eat junk food, do what ever will make you feel better under the given

Just think, when the semester is over, you'll be one semester closer to graduation-you know that one goal all students at OU have in common and are working towards. Then you can truly enjoy the holiday season, shop and catch up on all the rest you've been missing.

JEANNEE KIRKALDY

If you wish to comment on this editorial or any other story in this issue send an e-mail to oakpost@oakland.edu

OPINION



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student concerned about campus future

Dear Editor,

I'll be honest, I have had a hard time trying to swallow this whole golf course idea. I suppose I really don't have a whole lot of say in the decision to add on another 18 holes.

My name is Edward Lewandowski. I am a Secondary Education major, and a crosscountry athlete. Unfortunately I am not "a part of the President's Club," or a large donator, or major contributor of funds to this institution. But I grew up here, and it is really sad to see some of the massive development in Oakland County.

I came back to the area to attend school at Oakland because of the great atmosphere of a small community at a major Division I level school. I chose Oakland because you have the opportunity get away from the hustle and bustle, just kick back and go for a nice stroll in the woods. As an athlete of crosscountry, it is a major advantage to enjoy the pleasures of the dirt paths, surrounded by expanses of hills, woods, streams, and wet lands. My competitors are forced to stick to pounding the pavement unless they drive miles off campus for the luxuries I have here. Our team practices in those woods almost every day, and for that to be replaced by

that share my feelings.

I realize the school would like to raise revenue, but the Katke Cousins isn't exactly slammed with business, they aren't exactly having a problem letting golfers get in their 18 because of too many players. Golf is possible six months out of the year, nature is The course is named after Stephen Sharf,

and he feels that the new course will beautify campus, so I suppose all that natural habitat is just a cluttering, or vast area of wasted space on this campus! The only part of this campus I can envision undertaking development of any kind is the south-west corner of campus that is at the corner of Squirrel Rd. and Butler Rd., across from the Development new non-creative plan.

it is basically an open field area that appears please respond to my thoughts, and thank not be in use, however with Oakland turning Division I, I would anticipate building new establishments for research, or the possibility of expanding OU into a north and south Edward Lewandowski campus, still salvaging the woods and development near the current golf course.

I can see the future of OU expanding on the

another golf course would be really disap- resources it has available, but I truly have a pointing to not only me, but my teammates vision block when I see another golf course taking the place of true campus potential.

I am only a freshman in college, fresh out of the military, inexperienced to the ways of campus development, but please tell me someone out there has a much grander plan, or at least can see eye to eye with me on this that Oakland has much more potential than just filling space with another golf course. I have seen the changes in Oakland's campus now from what it was like when I was growing up, and I like them, that is why I pay my hard earned tuition to attend here instead of Wayne State, or EMU.

I would like see the future here at Oakland, but please help me understand how I can make a difference in the petitioning of the

I am concerned about future campus devel-For those that are unfamiliar with that area, opment, especially one of this magnitude,

> Sincerely, **Secondary Education** Freshman

Golf course offensive to community students

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my extreme displeasure at the university's decision to develop a golf course on the remaining undeveloped land.

The idea of selling off this precious resource for a questionable windfall is appalling.

One wonders why the extra income is now necessary, when it had not been present for all the years of OU's prior existence.

Furthermore, I thought that OU now had more money than ever rolling in between donations from our corporate neighbors and, also, the state.

If more money is the desired result, why not just sell off the land to a housing developer or better still, auction it off to the highest bidder. I guess that we are somehow supposed to feel that a golf course is somehow less offensive.

I started as an OU student in 1983 and have and golf courses do we need? lived in the dorms and also commuted. The land surrounding the university is used for jogging, biking, skiing (and many other things) and it is home for abundant wildlife. I have seen all of this over the years. A golf course will exclude all of these other uses and become just another fenced in area to entertain people with money.

I think the donors of the university land would be disturbed by this brazen lack of respect for this land that they so graciously donated.

The area surrounding OU is one of its most precious assets. This legacy should be protected for future students. Our university should serve as an example of the importance of nature.

Who wants to live and work in an atmosphere of wall to wall buildings and people, devoid of nature? How many megamalls

We must realize that land resources are finite and that once something as precious as this is lost, it cannot be brought back.

I have always thought that it was our purpose in life to make this world a better place to live, for ourselves and our children. I think that most students would be willing to pay a few extra dollars of tuition, if it meant that the our natural jewel could be pre-

If the students were given a chance to provide their opinion on this, I'm sure that this would be strongly affirmed.

Sincerely, Frank J. Garza **Systems Engineering** Ph.D Program

Campus land found unique

Dear Editor,

I would personally like to voice my opinion on the new golf course and say that I believe the new golf course is a big mistake.

The woods on our campus are one of the university's most valuable assets. I am currently a freshmen at Oakland and can tell you from the past two years of visiting college campuses that Oakland is truly unique, and a large part of that can be accredited to the woods. I have not seen another campus that can boast of having the natural habitat that Oakland has.

This habitat is used for research, recreation, sports, and is a natural environment for many animals that have been driven out of their homes by the developments surrounding our campus.

If the new golf course is allowed to destroy these woods, a large part of our campus appeal will be gone. We will no longer attract students that want to be able to go outdoors and enjoy nature. We will become another one of the second-rate universities, surrounded by city noise and pollution instead of a beautiful natural environment.

I urge the university to reconsider this decision that could destroy much of what is great about our university.

Sincerely, Ryan Bissell Pre-law Freshman

SETTING IT STRAIGHT

THE OAKLAND POST corrects factual errors that appear on its pages.

Post Information

Due to OC renovations, THE OAKLAND POST has moved to the south side of campus. The office is temporarily located next to the Science and Engineering Building in Trailer B.

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CAMPUS NEWS

CRIME

WATCH

Stolen coat

A man left his leather coat on a table on the second floor of Kresge Library Sunday, Nov. 22, to walk back and forth to the computers.

When he realized that his coat was missing, he searched the area around him, and all the study rooms on the second floor, without finding the coat.

He said that he has no idea who may have taken it.

An officer cancelled the OU SpiritCard which was left in the coat's pocket.

The case is open.

Locker vandalized

A student reported that an unknown person(s) pried open the lock on his locker on Tuesday, Nov. 17, taking his wallet containing a MI State ID, OU SpiritCard, ATM card, a Visa/Master Card, and \$16.

He called back later that afternoon saying that he found his wallet but the cash was still missing.

Harassing phone message

A student living in married housing received a harassing phone message Wednesday, threatening her with bodily harm if she does not return the caller's

The student believes that the caller is an employee of a local business.

Shattered door

A student cadet reported damage to one of the north doors of the OC, Friday,

An officer contacted the building manager, who confirmed that the door had been kicked from the outside, and was shattered in a lower corner with break lines spidering upward.

The damage was reported to a maintenance person.

The case is open.

Rape defense training offered

By JEANNEE KIRKALDY Editor in Chief

According to a study conducted by Ms. Magazine, one out of every four college women were sexually assaulted during their four years of college.

However, college women comprise only a portion of women at risk of becoming victims of crime. The United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics said that between 1973 and 1987, over 2.3 million women, young and old, reported sexual assaults.

In order to teach women defense tactics and become aware of potential dangers, OU will offer instructions for RAD, Rape Aggression Defense Systems.

courses on Dec. 7, 9 and 12, and Jan. 18, power. It's not about sex." 20 and 21.

Last May, Ross traveled to Iowa for a five-day RAD workshop where he participated in 56 hours of training to and that they can overpower an become a RAD instructor.

Of course, men are also victims of assault crime, Ross said, but the crimes committed against women are about power. In order to aid women against crime, RAD will teach awareness and not strong... With this program, avoidance, Ross said.

The RAD System objective is "to develop and enhance the options of self defense, so they may become viable considerations to the woman who is

Ross said the program is not for men. "Men aren't allowed in this program," he said. "When a man is attacked, he's OU Police officer Terry Ross will attacked to be hurt... (sometimes) with instruct the two three-day, nine-hour multiple attackers. Assault is about

According to Ross, RAD is a user-friendly program. It will teach women they are strong,

"Society has taught women to be dependent. Parents, brothers, husbands and boyfriends have taught women they are we're trying to empower women through knowledge, dependency on self, making own decisions, and through self realization of power," he said.

This course is to educate and teach women that they are strong, but this course will not ensure that women will fight and resist if they are targeted as a victim.

"It is always a personal choice," Ross

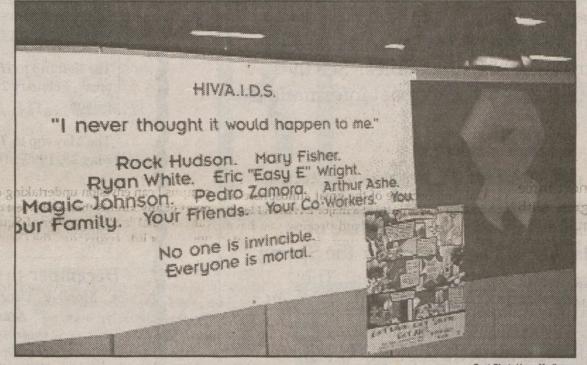


RAD SYSTEM: Women on campus can now get training in self-defense.

said. "Even though (a woman) may take this course... It doesn't mean they will fight or resist 100 percent of the

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Community marks World AIDS Day



The Greek Council provided red ribbons for the passers-by who read the inscriptions on the Wall of Remembrance in the Fireside Lounge, dedicated to those killed by AIDS.

Fraternity organizes basketball game for charity

By KRISTI TWORK Special Writer

On the court, it's a different walk, a different talk, and, pardon the pun, a whole new ball game.

It was especially so for the boys from Camp Oakland Boys Ranch, who were invited to a basketball challenge held Nov. 21, by the OU Chapter of Theta Chi Chi. Fraternity.

To the 13 boys who participated, the only familiar thing at OU was the ball. Boys Ranch residents range from the age of 11 to 16, and have been neglected, delinquent, or most often, both.

Gary Larson, human resource development senior, coordinated this event with the help of Elizabeth Gordon, who is in charge of Camp Oakland activities.

"I met her (Gordon) and she was talking to me about developing a male mentoring program. I told her that I was really interested in that... from there I started coordinating events between Camp Oakland and people that I know," Larson said.

He also arranged a similar event between Boy's Ranch and OU's baseball team in October.

He has been dedicating his life to helping kids since a program similar to Boys Ranch helped him turn his life around.

As a youth, Larson spent time at Child Haven in Boys Ranch, so independent living and self-motivated Grand Rapids.

"Child Haven was the only place that provided stability throughout my adolescent years... and I've always said 'when I get the opportunity, I'm going to help the same kids'."

Theta Chi hosts several charitable events each semester. Some are annual events, while others are requested by the community.

The fraternity has a committee dedicated to seeking out opportunities to help others. "Part of the ideals of our fraternity is to give back to year-old Darnell. He arrived at Camp Oakland just

the community," said Steve Sandlin, engineering senior. "Something like this is great. A lot of our guys like to play basketball, so working with these kids is kind of a no-brainer." The boys seemed tentative when they first walked

into the gym, but before long, they were "hooping it up" and "talking trash" with the members of Theta It didn't take long for them to wear out the old-

timers (fraternity brothers), though, and the original schedule of structured skills events and tournamentstyle games was replaced with pick-up games of threeand four-man teams mixed with Theta Chi's and Boys

After b-ball, the fraternity members invited the boys to tour their house and enjoy some pizza while watching the University of Michigan versus Ohio State

Theta Chi presented certificates of appreciation to Pizza Hut, Domino's and Jet's pizzerias for donating pies for the event. At the house, the boys were visibly impressed. Many

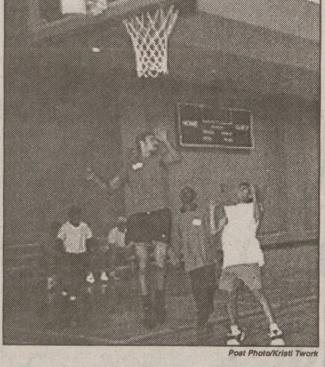
of them kept asking where "the staff" was and who

told them what to do. Most of them went from homes with poor supervision to the structured family-style environment at the

decision making are foreign concepts. "A lot of these kids have never had any older guys pay them so much attention. Never," said Elizabeth

"Some of these kids are growing up in the streets, the only older guys that they know have been gang mem-

Despite their disadvantaged backgrounds, these boys do have hopes for a better future. "I blew what I want to do (when I grow up)," said 14-



POWER PLAY: The members of fraternity shot some hoops with the children from Boys Ranch.

the day before with only the clothes on his back. "If I could change my record, I wouldn't be here... I

want to be a police officer, (but) I got a record," Darnell

Fifteen-year-old Jason is near the end of his stay at Boys Ranch. Most residents stay three to six months. Jason also attended the OU basketball team event.

"I like coming here. I like being able to play with teammates from (Theta Chi)," Jason said.

See GAME page 10

SAIL to upgrade system

By JACK JESKEY Special Writer

Student Registration will be changing soon. New SAIL software will be implemented for registration of the summer semester.

The current SAIL, Student Access Information Line software system will be upgraded during the month of April. The new software named Banner is written by STC, Software and Computer Technology Corporation. Currently, the new data for the Summer session is being entered into this new software.

"(This system) will be year 2000 compliant," said Steven Shablin, OU registrar. The new system could eventually lead to online registration, with course descriptions, a quick and easy way to print out a student's schedule, and tuition payment with a credit card all available via the web, Shablin said.

Also, a separate schedule of classes will be printed for the Spring and Summer 1999 sessions. The changes in the Summer session catalog will include a new set of course section numbers. The personal access code, the four-digit pin number that students currently use to access SAIL will be changed to a new six6-digit code.

As of the winter semester 1998, the OU SAIL system which has been in use for 3 years now is the only way students can register for classes. According to Shablin, this decreases the number of staff needed for each registration session. Students can still go to the Registrars office for registration questions.

When asked about the new added load on the SAIL system, Shablin stated, "We hope the phone system will accommodate."

The SAIL system is composed of a voice response unit and 24 phone lines. Expanding the system would not just be a matter of adding more phone lines. It would require another voice response unit, which would cost more than \$100,000, according to Shablin.

New voice response scripts are currently being written for the upgrade. These scripts will be tested in student focus groups.

Extra registration days for spring session will be available during March, including Saturdays, to accommodate for the April upgrade. Students may register between 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8a.m.-5 p.m. on Fridays. The SAIL system is not available 24 hours a day, as the information from each registration session is archived daily.

Similar registration systems are available at colleges all over the country. Universities in Michigan such as Ketering, Lansing Community College,

See SAIL page 13

FER 1999 SAIL REGISTR INFORMATION (248)370-4646

The SAIL system is still available the following days/times:

(returning students only)

November 23-December 4

M-Th

8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



December 5-December 14

December 15-December 18

8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

T-Th F 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

December 19-December 23

Unavailable

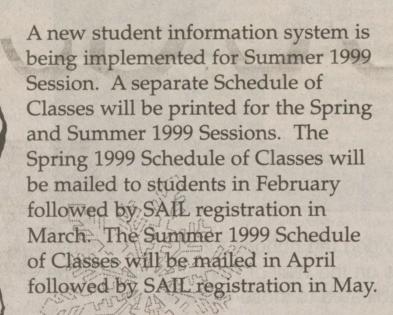
January 4

8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

There is no need to come to the Registration Office to register or adjust your schedule, unless you have an instructor signature to register/add a closed class. All hold(s) must be released before SAIL registering,

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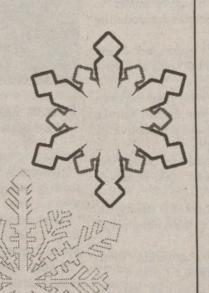
Beginning Tuesday, January 5, 1999, an instructor signature is required to register or add a course. Students will need to come to the Registration Office, 100 O'Dowd Hall to register or make adjustments to their schedules. See the Winter 1999 Schedule of Classes for additional information.



We will continue to provide updates as details are finalized.

HAVE A GREAT TERM!

Office of the Registrar



CENTER FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

OU Religious Diversity Week November 30-December 5

- December 2:
 - Religious and Outreach Student Organizations Day- 11:00a.m. - 1:30 p.m. In the Fireside Lounge
 - "Peace & Justice Issues Awareness Bash" featuring Social Activists Bill & Mary Carry, Who will be Speaking on "The School of the Americas" - 6:30 p.m. in St. John Fisher Chapel on Walton Blvd. (Dinner provided with RSVP by calling 370-2189)
 - Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration 7:00 p.m. in the Oakland Center Oakland Room
 - December 3:
 - ♦ "Stump the Christian" Game Show Noon in the Fireside Lounge
 - ♦ Shaping Influences by Micael Gillespie, Associate Professor of Theatre - Noon in the Oakland Center's Oakland Room
 - Speaker: Jason Sewell 7:30 p.m. in Gold
 - Rites of Passage: A Cultural Adventure 7:30 p.m. in Hamlin Lounge, Hamlin Hall
- December 4:
 - ♦ A Day of "Inner Peace" and Personal Reflection
- December 5:
 - ♦ A Day of Community Service: Pontiac Mission Soup Kitchen - Meet at St. John Fisher Chapel at 10:30 a.m. To volunteer, call Lisa Abad at (248) 370-2189
 - "Holiday Caroling" at Nursing Homes in Detroit Meet in Room 125, OC. To Volunteer Call Fred Traugott at (248) 528 9340

International Travel

This year CSA is coordinating two exciting international trips. Have you made your plans yet?

The first trip to *Historic Mexico* will be during winter break, February 20 - 27, 1999 for a cost of \$1590 per

The May trip to *Turkey* and will be from May 15 – May 25, 1999. The cost will be \$1950 per person.

Information about both trips is now available at CSA. Reservations for either trip can be made by calling Gina at DeWald Travel, (248) 528-9900 or (800) 228-0707.

December to Remember:

- Monday, December 7
 - 3rd Annual Wassail Reception honoring student organization leaders. Come enjoy holiday music with a Spanish twist by concert flutist Ginka Gerova-Ortega and some great Holiday Food in the Fireside Lounge
- ♦ Tuesday, December 8
 - The Annual Art Book and Gift Fair in the hallways of the Oakland Center. Shop til you Drop! Rumor has it that Santa will be available to give your list to and have a picture with you!
 - The Aramark Holiday Buffet in the Gold Rooms of the Oakland Center. Come join the crowd for lunch as Aramark serves a tradional Holiday lunch with all the trimmings. Start your diet next year!
- ♦ Wednesday, December 9
 - SPB's Stress Free Zone: Finals stressing you out? Holiday shopping too much for you. Come to the Fireside Lounge to let all the tension out. SPB will have special activities designed to let you release the pressure including an opportunity for a free massage.

College Bowl

We want a few good players and Moderators!

The Oakland University Campus Tournament will be

January 30, 1999. Registration forms can be picked up at the at the Center for Student Activities. The entry fee to the Campus Tournament will be \$20 per team.

The Regional Tournament will be held at Michigan State University on February 20 & 21, 1999. The winner of the campus Tournament will earn a spot to represent Oakland University at the regional Tournament.

The CSA Service Window

We now have tickets or sign up for the following:

- SPB January Ski Trip (limited space left)
- Meadow Brook Ball is Sold Out
- College Bowl Campus Tournament Sign Up The Rockettes at the Fox Theatre
- Blue and White Dream Ball (December 5)

CAMPUS LIFE

AUTOMATED ANIMATION



Photos Courtesy / Disney Enterprises, Inc./Pixar Animation Studios

BUSY BUGS: From left, Heimlich, Slim, Francis, Rosie and Flik are just some of the various bugs that Pixar animators created wholly via computer software, creating a Disney-fied up close and personal look at the life and world of insects.

With OU's AGCC, 3D animation,

like that seen in 'A Bug's Life,' isn't

as out of reach as it seems

By BRIAN REINDEL Staff Writer

ou get a salary for being creative, interesting, imaginative, and millions of people will pay extra to see and appreciate your finished work.

Only a fantasy, right? Wrong.

So what is this miracle job? Simple. It's 3D ani-

Yeah, right. Now, you probably think you also have to be an engineering major, be familiar with computer programming, and know what a CGI

workstation is. Wrong again.

According to Glenn McQueen, computer animator and recruiter for Pixar animation studio in California, computers are not what their reputation is built on.

"When I'm interviewing someone for a job, the last thing I ask is if they know how to use a computer. It's far more important to have people with a great sense of acting and timing and who know what's appealing. Those things are much more difficult to learn than how to use a com-

The creative team at Pixar recently

said.

puter," McQueen

released to the box office their newest project, 'A and digitize it using a device that gives us mea-Bug's Life'.

But even more popular, was their 1995 release, 'Toy Story', which won a special achievement Oscar for its director, as well as a nomination for its screenplay.

"With computer animation we have the ability to make worlds that are so dimensional and almost realistic looking with reflections and shadows and textures," said "Toy Story" and "A Bug's Life" director John Lasseter.

So you're creative, and you know what's appealing, but you still want to have an edge by knowing the software.

Well, OU now offers the Advanced Graphics interested in the field of animation and graphic it could be you.

INSECT ENGINEERS: From left, co-director Andrew

Stanton and director John Lasseter, who worked

together on "Toy Story," reunited for "A Bug's Life."

The lab, located in room 133 of the Science and Engineering Building, is open to all students, even the inexperienced who are just curious.

"Sit down and try it. The best way to learn software is trial and error," said Chris Sellers, Scientific Analyst for the AGCC.

"As with every job, everyone has to start at the bottom. I would get to know as much graphics software and learn the theory of graphics in classes or seminars and then research the company and find out what programs they use," Sellers

For a list of the 3D software available in the AGCC, visit their website www.oakland.edu/acs/labs/agccsoftware.htm.

O.K. So maybe you already have a job, or you're just not interested. In laymen's terms, you just want to know how they accomplish such great special effects.

"We start the modeling process with blueprints, drawings sculptures from the art department," said Eben Ostby, supervising technical director.

"It's really quite a complete description and we will either use a traditional CAD (computer-aided design) program like the ones used to design an automobile, or we will

take a sculpture surements in space of key points on the model. We end up with a representation of something like a puppet. When they're displayed in our animation system, they look like a real character, but it's just a virtual representation of a description of the shape of the character," he continues.

Even though you may not be able to repeat it back, you can now say how it's done. But the process starts even further back than drawing characters. There's research and studies to be

How does a bug, animal, or character look and move? What do certain facial expressions look like? Someone at Pixar has to answer these quesand Computation Center (AGCC) for students tions with every new project. You never know -



BUTTERFLY LOVE: Pixar computer animators gave the butterfly, Gypsy, voiced by Madeline Kahn, wings of purple, blue and beyond, and even added a touch of translucent sparkle thanks to computer advantages.

MOVIES THAT **BUG YOU**

'A Bug's Life' isn't the only film where insects are major characters

Here's five favorites:

- "Antz"
- "Naked Lunch"
- "Joe's Apartment"
- "Arachnophobia"
- "James and the Giant Peach"

Krystal Kaltz



The house with the mouse is still the place for me

You can ask almost anyone. He or she can tell you which Walt Disney Pictures release is his or her favorite. They're not just for kids anymore,

Adolescents and adults enjoy watching these animated films, and always have a favorite.

I know mine. It is, and always will be, "The Little Mermaid."

I even listened to the movie soundtrack while taking my driving test at

But, not all animated movies that have been released recently lately are made by Disney, and not everyone realizes this. For example, I thought that last

year's "Anastasia" was a Disney movie, but I found it was released by 20th Century Fox. This summer's "Small Soldiers" and

the soon-to-be-released epic, "The Prince of Egypt," are also non-Disney When I was younger, Disney was

responsible for all of the animated hit movies. They still put out at least one big hit a year. But the world of computer animation is growing quickly. Disney may have dominated in the past with hand-

changing everything. The old fashioned way has some

drawn cartoons, but computers are

competition. Movie companies such as DreamWorks and 20th Century Fox are quickly making a big name for themselves in the world of animation.

Take "Antz" for example. Inis movie came out more than a month before Disney's "A Bug's Life."

DreamWorks Pictures made a smart move there.

The two movies have somewhat similar plots, letting the audience into the intimate lives of insects through com-

puter animation. So, who would skip "Antz," and wait for the Disney film to come out? Maybe it's because of my age, and the fact that I was pretty much raised on Disney.

My junior prom theme was "A Whole New World," using magic carpets and songs from Disney's movie "Aladdin."

That movie will always remind me of the fun I had in high school.

Yes, folks, I ama truly loyal fan of Disney cartoons. Some of my fondest movie memories

are from Disney. I still get a kick out of seeing the two Siamese cats in "Lady and the Tramp"

sing and get into trouble. I went to see "Cinderella" in the movie theater with my mother. It was

one of the first films I remember seeing in an actual theater. And I can sing every song from "The Little Mermaid" and "Beauty and the

Beast," word for word. These memories have made me a

Disney fan for life. I don't believe in all the hype that

Disney is trying to send out sexual messages to children. I think that people were just trying to find fault with something that seems

too good to be true. And I don't care if "Antz" is the highest grossing non-Disney animated film ever. I still waited for "A Bug's Life" to be released.

Maybe someday when I'm bored, I'll rent "Antz."

That is, if there aren't any Disney movies I haven't seen.

Senior Krystal Kaltz is a journalism and Spanish major, and Assistant Campus Life Editor of THE OAKLAND POST.

CURRENT

EVENTS

ON CAMPUS

- "A Christmas Carol," 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. today; 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 2 and 6:30 p.m. Saturday; 2 and 6:30 p.m. Sunday; Meadow Brook Theatre. Call (248) 370-4900.
- "Battle of the Bands," 8 p.m. Friday; Gold Rooms, OC. Call (248) 370-4295.
- "Leaving Ground!" 8 p.m. Thursday - Saturday; 3 p.m. Sunday; Varner Studio Theatre. Call (248) 370-
- "Picture Perfect Holidays," 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. today - Saturday; Meadow Brook Hall. Call (248) 370-3140.

THEATRE

- "Marius and Jeannette," 7 and 9:30 p.m. Friday; 4, 7 and 9:30 p.m. Saturday; 4 and 7 p.m. Sunday; Detroit Film Theatre. Call (313) 833-
- "Resident Alien," 7:30 p.m. Sunday; Jewish Ensemble Theatre. Call (248) 788-2900.
- "Little Women," 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday; Bonstelle Theatre. Call (313) 577-2960.
- "The Harlem Nutcracker," 8 p.m. Saturday; 2 and 8 p.m. Sunday; Detroit Opera House. Call (313) 874-
- "Accidental Terrorist," 2 p.m. Sunday; the Second City. Call (313) 965-2222.

EXHIBITS

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- "Ancient Glass from the Holy Land," 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesday -Friday; 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday; Detroit Institute of Arts. Call (313) 833-7900.
- "Two Centuries of Hammered Strings," 7 p.m. Thursday; Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm. Call (248) 656-4663.

MUSIC

- 'N Sync wsg Britney Spears, 6 p.m. Saturday; Palace of Auburn Hills. Call (248) 377-0100.
- · "An Afternoon of Music featuring Harpist Onita Sanders," 2 p.m. Sunday; Southfield Public Library. Call (248) 948-0470.
- The Derek Trucks Band, 9:30 p.m. Thursday; Blind Pig. Call (248) 645-
- "Holiday Brass!" 7:30 p.m. Sunday; Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. Call (248) 362-9329.
- "20th Century Soiree," 8 p.m. Friday; Hagopian World of Rugs. Call (248) 362-9329.
- Cecilia, 2 p.m. Saturday; Dos Manos. Call (248) 542-5856.
- "Nutcracker," 8:15 p.m. Friday; 3 and 8:15 p.m. Saturday; 3 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday; Midland Center for the Arts Auditorium. Call (517) 631-8250.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 26th Annual Noel Night, 5 p.m. Saturday; University Cultural Center. Call (313) 577-5088.
- "Hudson's First Fridays at the DIA," 6 p.m. Friday; Detroit Institute of Arts. Call (313) 833-7900.
- "Twelfth Anniversary Fiesta," 11 a.m. Saturday; Dos Manos. Call (248) 542-5856.

Holidays at Meadow Brook

Picturesque exhibition highlights Hall yuletide

By PAM HENDRIX Staff Writer

Richard Wilson, Meadow Brook Hall's (MBH) living historian, re-creates Christmas past for "Picture Perfect Holidays."

Wilson, the son of Matilda and Alfred Wilson, founders of OU, grew up in

"Picture Perfect Holidays" is the theme of this year's annual Holiday walk at MBH, and it will feature photographs of the Dodge and Wilson fam-

"Some of the photos are being seen by visitors for the first time," said Lisa Baylis Ashby, executive director at MBH.

The walk is the "major fund-raiser that allows MBH to sponsor the various exhibitions we have throughout the year, and it funds the preservation, and interpretation of the MBH collection," said Ann Friedman, curator, MBH.

Panache Designs Ltd. of Atlanta, created, purchased and installed the decorations that highlight the family photographs.

"We also designed the Christmas decorations at Somerset Mall," said Becky Parker, designer, Panache Designs Ltd.

"The decorations are meant to reflect a true representation of past Christmases at MBH," said Friedman. The warm with the natural materials of pine, and evergreen garland gracefully surrounds the fireplaces as they crackle with small flickers of flame.

"Most importantly, the house sets the tone for the decorations. Each room says something different to you. They say 'come into the house, this is a home.' The decorations represent period pieces. They are handmade of both metal and glass," Parker said.

that were taken by prominent Chicago and Detroit photographers.

"The photos have much to tell about the individuals living in the house, and what their culture was like. It gives us a glimpse into life in the Gatsby era," said Ashby.

There were many photos to choose from. "One photo shows the playfulness of the family. It is a picture of



A THOUSAND WORDS: "Picture Perfect Holidays," celebrates the yuletide season with a photographic look into Matilda Wilson's family.

Matilda and family sitting on an elephant. She is wearing a skirt and high heels," said Ashby.

Wilson brought life to the decorations, wood in the house coordinates well by adding his insight into the true history of Christmas at MBH.

His recollection dates back to the 1930s, and includes the following:

"Shopping at J.L. Hudsons in Detroit for gifts that my mother bought for children whose parents worked at MBH, and for the girls at Denby Childrens' Home. Each would receive a sweater or slippers, something like that.

"When we came home from passing out the gifts, we decorated the tree. This The main function of the decorations is was Christmas Eve. Mother stayed up to highlight the enlarged family photos till 4 or 5 a.m. wrapping and decorating. We ate breakfast then went into the living room to have Christmas."

"I remember one Christmas when we opened the doors to see all the gifts, the little Pekinese dog went to the bathroom on the big, red, seamless, beautiful rug," he continued, before trailing off into memories.

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REGAL RETURNS: Richard Wilson. son of Matilda, OU's benefactor. recently visited his childhood home.

Growing up in the mansion

By PAM HENDRIX Staff Writer

Richard Wilson's eyes smile mischievously as he tells of riding his brand new shiny bike through the halls of Meadow Brook on Christmas Day.

Light shown off the shiny metal as he furiously pedaled past teetering tiffany lamps and tilting priceless

"We could play and do quite a bit in the house. You just couldn't break anything. If we broke something the punishment was pretty severe. Memories, and momentos filled the house, they were valuable to my mother. That was what was important to her," said Wilson.

Wilson was born in 1929, and was adopted by Matilda and Alfred Wilson in 1930.

According to Ann Friedman, Curator at Meadow Brook, "Richard and his sister Barbara came from the same orphanage in Chicago where Bob and Delores Hope also adopted

Wilson's mother, Matilda, had three stepchildren from her first marriage to John Dodge. She had three natural children with John Dodge as well — Frances, Daniel and Anna. Wilson lived at Meadow Brook with Matilda's natural children, and his sister Barbara. Anna died in 1924 from illness related to the measles.

Wilson attended Wesleyan University in Connecticut, and then Michigan State College, which became Michigan State University (MSU) in 1955. He graduated with a degree in Agricultural Economics in

His parents wanted him to graduate from what is now MSU. According to Wilson, his parents were friends of John Hannah, the president of MSU at that time.

It was because of this friendship that the Wilson's decided to donate the money to start OU, which was originally a satellite of MSU.

Because his parents were strict Presbyterians, he had to leave

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

'A Christmas Carol' still inspires, enchants

By ANDREA NOBILE Staff Writer

Nothing can pick you up out of a depressive holiday state more than "A Christmas Carol," Charles Dickens' classic play of yuletide charm and forgiveness.

Meadow Brook Theatre's holiday tradition, adapted for MBT by Charles Nolte, features an (as always) engaging and witty performance by Booth Colman, whose run this year as Ebenezer Scrooge marks his 16th season in the role.

Surprisingly, after more than 600 performances on the MBT stage, Colman 's lines, including the classic, "Bah! Humgbug!" still come across as fresh and full of

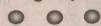
Everyone knows the story of Ebenezer Scrooge. Scrooge is a greedy, glum and endlessly moody businessman in 1830s England who is visited one night by three spirits after his dead business partner, Jacob Marley (Geoffrey Beauchamp), warns him to change his ugly ways. If he remains the cranky, impersonable man he is, he'll end up chained punished in the afterlife for his horrible ways.

The ghosts, those of Christmas Past (Jessica Miles), Present (Mark Rademacher) and Future (Andrew Glaszek), lead Scrooge through his life, and wring the nastiness out of him.

Rademacher especially shines as the Ghost of Christmas Present. With rosy red cheeks, a Santa-like beard and a smile of warmth and happiness, Rademacher easily conveys the kind of Christmas Scrooge is missing — one of happiness and joy.

The play itself is also currently getting treatment on Broadway, with Roger Daltrey as Scrooge. But I doubt their play opens with carolers singing to the audience, before they take the stage as Londoners happily "A Christmas Carol"

Stage spirit



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strolling through the streets. These pre-play musical spirits get you in the mood right away. Go, if only to hear quite crystal renditions of some holiday favorites. And if that yuletide spirit doesn't grab you,

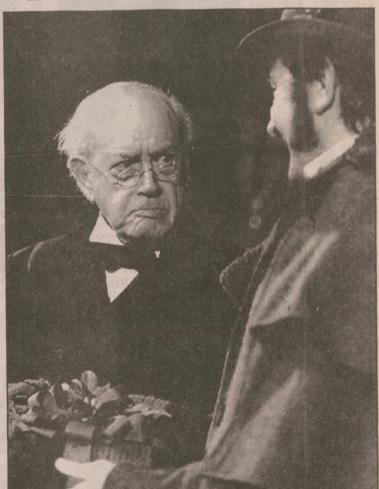
the regal and ragged costumes will. Barbara Jenks' costumes especially help emphasize the actors' portrayals.

All, from Paul Hopper's bumblingly jolly Fezziwig, to five-year-old Joel Carpenter's adorable Tiny Tim, succeed in their portrayals of these already infamous characters. But, like Colman's treatment of Scrooge, this rendition does bring a sense of freshness to the roles.

They are encouraged by Jenks' use of bright yellows, rich greens and deep reds for the upper class and more subtle blues, tans and taupes for families like the Cratchits.

Jenks' designs also enforce the idea of separation of the classes in 19th century England. This idea actually drives home the play's moral. Financial success doesn't follow into the afterlife - humanity does.

"Carol," open now, runs through Dec. 27, with showtimes at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tuesdayp.m. Saturday and Sunday. Call the MBT box Schrot), in Meadow Brook Theatre's "A Christmas Carol." office at (248) 377-3300.



THEATRE TRADITIONS: From left, Ebenezer Scrooge, Friday, and performances at 2 p.m. and 6:30 (Booth Colman), bahs at his nephew Fred, (Richard A.

Recent Foundation donor opposes new golf course

Dear Editor.

I want to add my voice to the growing chorus of opposition to plans for a second golf course on the OU campus.

I currently teach a course at OU called "Biology and Society" (BIO 300). I haven't used the natural campus area in teaching this course, but for a multitude of reasons I'm glad it's there.

One obvious reason is the educational and research value the area provides for my colleagues and their students in the biological sciences and other fields.

By coincidence, I had some time ago scheduled, for the Dec. 3rd session of my class, a discussion based on two remarkable essays: Aldo Leopold's "The Land Ethic" and Wendell Berry's "The Obligation of Care." (I understand that the OU Board will be discussing the golf

course issue on Dec. 3rd.)

I hadn't known in advance that our discussion of these essays would be so timely in relation to the future of Oakland University. They are timely because both Leopold (in 1949) and Berry (in 1995) wrote about land-use issues in a philosophical and moral context which throws considerable light on the golf course controversy.

For example, Leopold says the land ethic "simply enlarges the boundaries of the community to include soils, waters, plants, and animals, or collectively: the land," and "a land ethic changes the role of *Homo sapiens* from conqueror of the land-community to plain member and citizen of it."

Berry argues that "We cannot exempt use from care." Which is the better use and care of this university land converting much of it into a second golf course,

or leaving it more or less as it is?

What is a university all about anyway? Is it merely a business enterprise which will use any and all commercial means available to raise revenue, with no constraints on the use of its land? Or does a university have a highter calling?

Should educational, scientific, ethical, esthetic, and philosophical considerations enter into its strategic planning, including land-use planning?

I would argue the latter, with thoughtful people such as Leopold and Berry as my guides.

There are many such people among the OU faculty also. Their views need to be sought, and heard.

Perhaps if the present golf course supporters on the OU Board and in the administration had been exposed earlier to the information and ideas so ably articulated by Leopold and Berry in the essays mentioned above, they might have had second thoughts about the wisdom of their decisions. They might have paid more attention to faculty and students and others in the community who asked questions, expressed reservations or were opposed to this irrevocable change in the natural campus area.

Couldn't someone still gently suggest to Mr. and Mrs. Sharf that their generosity is much appreciated, but perhaps their proposed gift will better serve the University if directed toward a non-controversial project that everyone—faculty, students, administrators and the wider community—can support enthusiastically? I'm aware that the decision has already been made, but is it too late to change it?

I'm being asked to contribute again this year to the Oakland University Foundation. (I had made a modest contribution last year.) A recent "fact sheet" informs me that the OU Foundation will finance and manage the construction of the new golf course. Given these current priorities of the Foundation, I cannot in good conscience continue to support it. This is not much leverage, perhaps, but in a free society this is still a choice I have the power to make.

One final question. Given all the negative publicity OU is receiving in relation to this golf course controversy, is the projected gain in revenue from this proposed project worth the costs? I personally don't think so.

Sincerely,

Phil Clampitt Special Lecturer in Biological Sciences

Former Congress President expresses disgust with campus change

Dear Editor,

I am compelled by the pace of undesirable change occurring at Oakland University to add my voice to those opposing unplanned, unsympathetic, and dispiriting change on the campus of my alma mater.

While former trustee Sharf may have had the best intentions in mind by donating funds for the construction of an additional 18-hole golf course for Oakland University, this development is the kind of wrongheaded tripe that belongs back in the myopic 1950s and not in the late 1990s.

This project is indefensible in a time when we are fully aware of the vagaries

of urban sprawl, relentlessly banal suburban development and unmitigated loss of historic and natural environment wrought by "improvements" for the

The Board of Trustees and President Gary Russi (and his apparently silent administration) should be ashamed of their efforts to exchange a rare and pristine pocket of natural Oakland County for this corporate playing field.

If the supposed rationalization for this violation of Matilda Wilson's legacy is to induce increased funding through contributions to further Oakland's educational mission, then I suggest that former trustee Sharf instead redirect his millions either directly to long under-

funded University departments (may I suggest the History Department) or to lobbying efforts at the state and national levels to create new government spending for education.

Sharf's gracious gift, used to leverage billions in education money for deserving students rather than bulldoze acres of forests and natural habitat for tight-pocketed would-be donors would create a true legacy and unprecedented educational enrichment for Oakland University.

I urge the Board of Trustees, the University Student Congress, the Student Liaisons to the Board of Trustees and the entire University community to oppose this development.

Should the University continue to march down this path, hand in hand with big-school CEO culture while neglecting the sterling academic reputation so hard won over the past forty years, I can assure President Russi (and his successors) of one potential donor who will never open his checkbook.

Sincerely,

Garrick B. Landsberg Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture 1997 OU Graduate 1996-97 OU Student Body President

Faculty member finds claims on golf course arrogant

Dear Editor,

What are we to make of the Statements regarding a second golf course that were attributed to two Vice-Presidents last week?

One, by Lynne Schaefer, claims that "despite the grievance and the protest, the golf course will continue as planned;" the other, by David Downing, "pledged (that) the plans and design will go before the OU Senate for faculty input." The arrogance of the former belies the promise of the latter.

Is it a foregone conclusion that Senate discussion, a fundamental part of University governance, is futile and guaranteed to be ignored of overridden by the CEO and Board of Directors?

Sincerely,

Michael V. Riley, Ph.D
Professor of Biomedical Sciences

OU lacks endowed professorships and lectureships, educational tools Professor feels Trustees out of touch with priorities, students and faculty

Dear Editor,

I can imagine no more inappropriate gift to Oakland University and its students than the second unneeded golf course. The gift demonstrates, yet once again, how out of touch members of our Board of Trustees are with the urgent

needs of our students and with the educational mission for which Oakland University was created.

Taxpayers, such as the students, their families, my neighbors and myself, expect to provide state support for an educational institution, but not for a recreational facility for the privileged.

As for the millions upon millions that are claimed to have been brought in by the first golf course, why does the University continue to have a totally inadequate endowment, a desperate lack of scholarships and fellowships for students, a library that is unable to supply the books and journals needed for

As for the millions upon millions that scholarly activity, too few classrooms and a virtual absence of endowed prothe first golf course, why does the fessorships and lecturerships?

Sincerely,

Judith Brown
Professor of Anthropology



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Student supports grievance against construction of S & R Golf Course

Dear Editor,

Okay, I heard the debates from both sides presented by friends on campus, as well as THE Post, and I must say that I favor the grievance against the building of the new golf course.

As I read the article in THE Post regarding the protest from the AAUP and the community of OU, I could see many patterns.

It seems to me that the university wants us to believe that this new course will create a huge financial gain for the university. I know that the debate is over the deconstruction of educational land, but even the financial stance seems to have many flaws.

According to Lynne Schaefer, the old course made about \$30 million over 20 years, which is not much in the long run.

What will a new golf course do?

It may be very popular in the beginning, but in the end the benefits will be the same as the old course.

In addition, what do we really need another course for? It seems to me that the only reason the university is interested in this is for a financial gain.

Now, I'm sure it will bring some money into OU, but not as much as could be made.

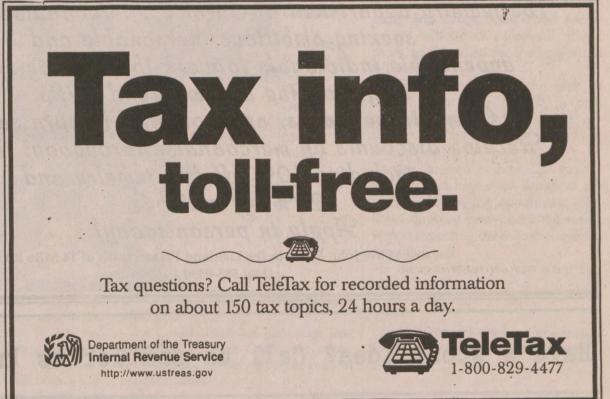
Consider the building of a football or hockey stadium. We have a Division I program now, so we would not only receive ticket sales and concession sales, but we would also be able to promote these sports on television and through merchandise. Golf is not easily promoted in this way.

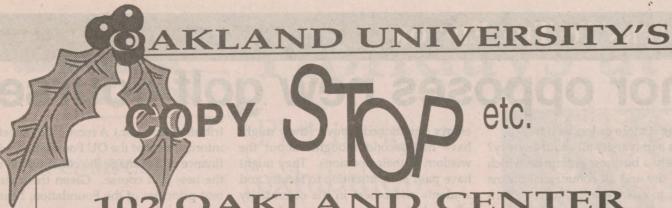
If Oakland University is going to take the stand that this is going to be financially beneficial, then why haven't we built a football stadium? Surely they can see that, even though the costs may be great for the construction, in the long run more profits would be earned.

The university intends to base their decision upon immediate financial gains, and not the gains that Oakland could receive throughout the future, both from a monetary and educational standpoint.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Sarnovsky Computer Science Sophomore





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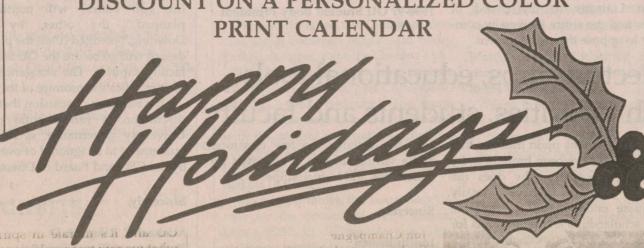
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Search

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of Education at University of Colorado, Colorado Springs;

• Louis Esposito, professor of economics and former dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at University of Massachusetts, Boston;

• Christopher Baldwin, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Sam Houston State University, Texas;

• Sharon Hoffman, dean of the School of Nursing at University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee;

• David Magidson, professor of theatre, co-director of the center for the study of arts and public policy, former dean of Fine Arts at Wayne State University; and

• William Pollard, dean of the School of Social Work at Syracuse University, New York.

Over the course of a 10-hour meeting, the VPAA/Provost search committee discussed 22 quarter-finalist applicants.

The committee members were especially attentive to the issues of diversity, integrity, and social skills of the candidates.

Susan Wood, professor of art and art history, was enthusiastic about environmentalist-oriented applicants.

"I definitely like the idea of having an environmentalist here," she said.

Wood also questioned the suitability of applicants who were described as very agreeable by their references.

About one of such candidates, Wood asked, "Is she also a person who could stand up to (OU President) Gary Russi?"

Lawrence Lilliston, associate professor of psychology, joked about some applicants who had a history of quickly changing administrative positions.

"We seem to be attracting a lot of applicants looking for short-term (appointments)," he said.

The previous VPAA and provost Dagmar Cronn held the position for only a year before she was forced out by Russi at the urging of the university's deans.

Twenty of the 22 applicants were selected at the previous committee meeting, which took place Oct. 31. The committee narrowed the 68-candidate pool to 21 candidates, one of whom withdrew from the search prior to Saturday's meeting.

The other two candidates were introduced at the meeting by Katherine

Slaughter of the consulting firm, hired by the university to facilitate the search process.

The tenth quarter-finalist, Pollard was one of the two.

The committee had a four-way tie for the tenth spot. Other applicants considered for interviews were:

 Christopher Chalokwu, dean of School of Arts and Sciences at Benedict College, South Carolina;

• Karen White, dean of the College of Fine Arts at University of Nebraska,

an applicant who requested confiden-

Lilliston expressed dissatisfaction with the search firm's performance in providing information about potential candi-

The application process was not done the same way the search committee members performed it, he noted. The firm consultant also did not make the telephone interviews with the three references for the candidates.

However, Slaughter stated she felt strongly about candidates she brought in because "I'm reasonably good and very practiced at this."

Since Pollard's application won support from the committee, a subcommittee was established to make the reference calls.

Search committee chair Kevin Murphy, economics chair, said he sent the results of the interviews to other committee members

Murphy also proposed at the Nov. 21 meeting that the tie among four candidates, including Pollard, be resolved through e-mail correspondence.

The final list of ten candidates for airport interviews was made Monday.

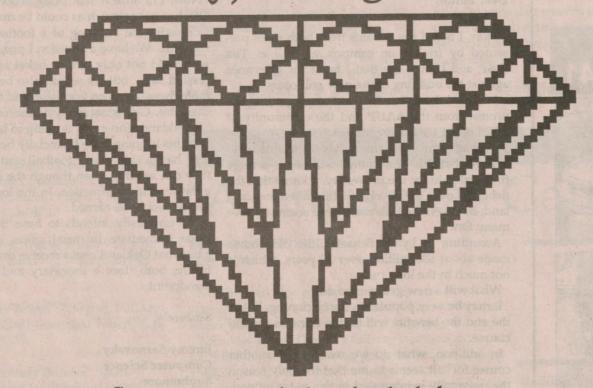
Murphy said Pollard was chosen as the tenth on the basis of highly positive email responses from committee members.

However, he added, only nine of the 14 member committee e-mailed their responses.

At the meeting Saturday, all of the discussed candidates were voted on by the entire committee, except Engineering professor Naim Kheir and Nursing assistant professor Christina Sieloff who were absent.

Murphy said he waited until noon on Monday, Nov. 30 before he made up the list of top ten applicants. However, he admitted committee members were not given a deadline for response.

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Game

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"I want to be a lawyer because I'm good at arguing and I'm pretty smart so I can make good points."

Everyone benefited that Saturday afternoon from the good will of the Theta Chi fraternity. Gordon expressed gratitude for all the attention that the boys received.

"A big part of delinquency is that...they are good kids, they just

are crying out for attention, and delinquency is one way of getting that attention," she said.

"A lot of the kids come to us with really low self-esteem. They think they are no good. A lot of them are involved in gangs, but when you can get them to see the hope in themselves, they start thinking more positively."

Theta Chi plans to continue work with Camp Oakland and residents of Boys Ranch are looking forward to returning to OU, Larson said.

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SPORTS

OU fouls out at Toledo

Toledo gets advantage from freethrow line

By JOE GRAY Staff Writer

OU continued its journey through Division I basketball with a 90-77 loss at Toledo Saturday.

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With 3:18 left in the first half, the Golden Grizzlies (2-4)trailed 35-33 and had possession of the ball. Then the

Rockets (4-0) took over and finished the half with a 8-0 run. According to men's head coach Greg

kampe, the officiating had a big impact on the game.

"They shot 36 free-throws and we shot 15, with 10 coming late in the game," he said. "We played tough, but we couldn't overcome the amount of free-throws they had."

Foul trouble also caused the Golden Grizzlies to play with five guards for the last 10 minutes in the game.

Junior guard Myke Thom led OU with 23 points in 40 minutes, and because of the team's foul trouble, was forced to defend Toledo's big for-

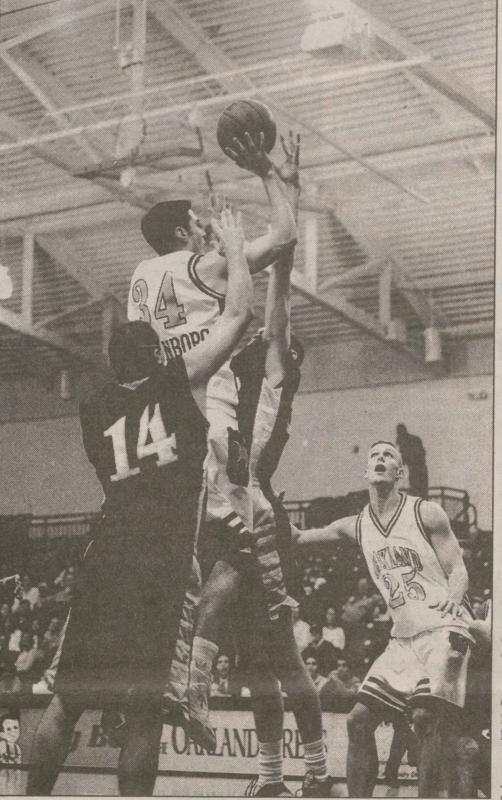
"He played the best all-around game of his career," Kampe said. "He tried to assert himself as a leader."

Up next for OU is a three game road trip to Cincinnati, Bowling Green and Western Michigan.

In Cincinnati, the men face the sixth ranked Bearcats who just defeated the No. 1 ranked Duke Blue Devils.

On his team's early season performance Kampe said, "We are very pleased with where we are at, but we have just begun."

face Rochester College at 3 p.m.



The men return home on Dec. 19 to HE SHOOTS: Freshman guard Brad Buddenborg goes for the two to help OU in Athlete of the Year in 1996. the Toledo game on Saturday. Buddenborg played for 37 minutes against the Rockets, Junior forward Myke Thom led the team with 40 minutes of play time.

OU basketball court stuffed with talent

By LISA BORICH Sports Editor

The OU men's basketball team has a plethora of young talent starting the 1998-1999 season.

Here is the analysis of this year's starters for the Golden Grizzlies men's basketball team:

Brad Buddenborg

Freshman and guard for the Golden Grizzlies, Buddenborg in high school earned All-League honors as a junior and senior. Was All-State honorable mention as a junior and also named to the All-Nation honorable mention team named by Street & Smith. Buddenborg was nominated to McDonald's All-American game in 1996-97.

Sean Carlson

Also a freshman and guard for OU, Carlson was named All-League twice while in high school. Also once All-District and All-State. A graduate of Adrian High School, Carlson helped the Maples finish sixth in the state his junior

Dan Champagne

Sophomore and forward for the Golden Grizzlies, Champagne set OU's record in field goal percentages and led the squad in 13 other categories. In high school, Champagne earned third team all-State Class B honors.

Jon Champagne

Sophomore and also a forward for OU, Champagne was named All-League, All-District, and All-State his senior year in high school

Myke Thom

Junior and forward earned All-League, All-District and all-Region honors all three years on the varsity team. Thom was the Region Player of the Year and

Borich



Surplus of students at first home game a plus, but will it last?

Imagine this, an overabundance of students, faculty and fans alike all compacted in a 3,045 capacity arena, all there for one purpose - to see a damn good game.

Screams and cheers were booming in the arena, all from fans rooting for their favorite team.

An ocean of black and gold filled Kampe's corner (a nickname for the student section). Students were half naked, showing off their artistic ability in body graffiti.

For that one fleeing night, the Golden Grizzlies were in the spot-

With the media vans in the athletic center parking lot, OU looked like Grand Central Station. Rochester Hills echoed with growls from the Golden Grizzlies.

But in the end, Grizzwald and the Golden Grizzlies went into hibernation because of its loss against Sparty and the MSU Spartans.

It's nice to know that this situation (at least spirit wise) was reality and not simply a fraudulent image.

But what does the future hold for OU and it's morale in spirit? Was what we saw two weeks ago a temporary fever in school spirit? Or was it just the beginning of a wildfire in

Only we, the fans, can feed these flames of spirit, giving OU a plethora of life at athletic events

I hope that the MSU versus OU men's basketball game was just a taste of what will become a tradition here

A packed house of fans full of life and hope for a Grizzly victory.

Sure, we lost the game. But is win-

ning everything? I know it's important to the athletes

and coaches, but no one at that game can say they had a dreadful time.

I was there, I saw our student section roar with adrenaline and spirit. There was no calming the sea of students before the storm. (Thanks, by the way, to all who held up THE OAKLAND POST when the MSU starters were announced. I was touched.)

What was it that brought out this vast mass of students? The media coverage? The MSU men's basketball team?

Maybe the spirit in all of us has been raging to get out all along and we just needed this game to bring it out.

Hopefully, sporting events like women's basketball games, swimming and diving meets and soccer games will be as successful, if not more, so on trafficking the fans out in full force.

I have talked about the lack of school spirit here at OU in past columns, but everyone proved my theory wrong on the night of November 17.

I was amazed at how OU gave a spirited and high-class image to the nation and visiting opponents. Not that I doubted everyone, but I surely wasn't expecting the outcome to be so positive.

Is there anyway we can keep this

Junior Lisa Borich is a journalism student and Sports Editor for THE OAKLAND

Grizzlies run away with tournament

By ZVONKO BLAZESKI Staff Writer

The Golden Grizzlies OU women's basketball team improved its record 4-3 in a grand fashion by winning the OU Army Thanksgiving EC

Saturday.



Tournament. The Golden Grizzlies opened the tournament with a 72-56 victory over the winless Hofstra Flying Dutchman on

The Golden Grizzlies were the ones dropping the bombs at West Point, taking a 36-24 halftime lead. OU shot 50 percent from the field in the first half.

from the field, while the Dutchman only shot 36 percent from the field.

Coach Beckie Francis. "We got into foul trou- "It was good to win

bench helped us out. on the road." We hit some key free throws to nail the game."

Leading all scorers was Tamika Bates with 21 points. Bates also

rebounds and led the team with seven assists. Sarah Judd added 18 points and had nine rebounds. Courtney Ruffing scored 12 for the victorious Grizzlies.

OU outplayed the Dutchman down rebounded them 52-26.

OU finished the game shooting 44 percent from the field while the Flying ment.

Dutchman shot only 35 percent.

On Sunday, OU defeated Elon College 75-58 to receive the Army Thanksgiving Tournament Title.

The Elon College Fightin' Christians put up a battle in the first half, only trailing by four at the break. Both teams shot well in the first half, with the Grizzlies shooting 44 percent from the field and Elon shooting 41 percent.

"The game was even at the half," said Francis. "We made some adjustments and outplayed them in the second half." "It was a tough first half," said Martin.

"Toward the end of the half they (Elon) came back." In the second half, OU ran away with

the game and any hope Elon had of In the second half, OU shot 37 percent winning the tournament. Elon was ice cold from the floor in the

second shooting, only 33 percent from "Hofstra came out hard," said Head the field, while the Grizzlies were red hot hitting 52 per-

cent from the field. Judd led all scorers

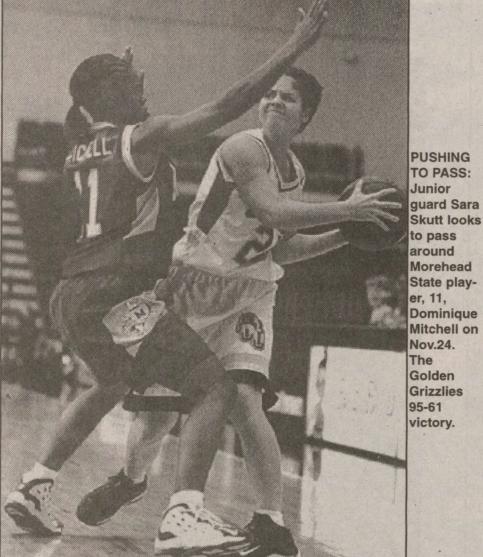
with 19. Also chipping in for the Grizzlies was tour-**Beckie Francis** nament MVP Bates Women's Basketball Head Coach with 16. Teresa Tallenger added 12 Courtney and

had 17 boards. LaTisha Martin had nine Ruffing added 11 for the victors. OU out rebounded Elon, 40-37, led by

Bates, who had 11 boards. Tallenger had four blocked shots for

the Grizzlies.

Three Golden Grizzlies were named to low and outscored the Flying Dutchman the All-Tournament team. Tamika Bates in the paint, 34-26. The players was named tournament MVP, and Sarah Judd and LaTisha Martin also made the team for playing excellent in the tourna-



Coach Francis was pleased with the stand now. results of the tournament. "It was two

Martin agreed with Coach Francis saying that the team knows where they

The Golden Grizzlies play their first good Division I wins. It is good to win ever Mid-Continent Conference opponent on Sunday, Dec. 5 on the road at Southern Utah.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

- The men lost to Northwestern 30-68 Nov. 21.
- The men defeated U-M Dearborn 81-54 on Nov. 24.
- The men lost to Toledo 77-90 on

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- The women defeated Ball State 77-71 on Nov. 20.
- The women lost to Liberty 68-59 on Nov. 21.
- The women defeated Morehead State 95-61 on Nov. 24.
- The women defeated Hofstra 72-56 on Nov. 28.
- The women defeated Elon 75-58 on

SWIMMING & DIVING

- The men lost to the University of Buffalo 108-123 on Nov. 21.
- The women lost to the University of Illinois 102-136 on Nov. 20.

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SATURDAY

- The men's basketball team at Cincinnati at 6:05 p.m.
- The women's basketball team at Southern Utah at 9:30 p.m.
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TUESDAY, OCT. 13

• The men's basketball team at Bowling Green at 8 p.m.

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Men's swim OU struggles to keep above water and dive

By KELLI PETROVE Assistant Sports Editor

Many of the Golden Grizzly men swam their best times of the season at the meet against the University of Buffalo on Nov. 21.

team drown

"The kids raced well," head men's swim coach Pete Hovland said. "We swam as fast as we have all year."

Although the final score put OU in the losing spot, the swimmers placed well throughout the meet.

Freshman Andy Schmit won the 500 yard freestyle with a time of 4:42.95, and also won the 1650 yard freestyle with a time of 16:20.12.

"It was his best time so far this year," Hovland said. "He swam fairly well."

Co-captain junior Ido Meron took a first place finish in a close 200 yard backstroke race with a time of 1:53.42.

Also claiming first places for OU was Yoav Ritter in the 200 yard fly with a time of 1:57.20. Freshman Colin Dolcetti finished close behind with a time of

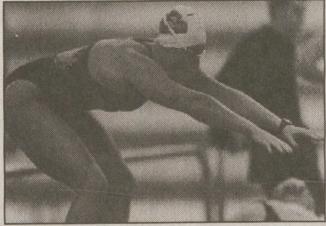
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SWIMMING WITH POWER: (above) Marla Freshman McKenzie swims the 100 yard fly in OU's pool against University of Illinois. (right) Ready to dive into her race is another Golden Grizzly swimmer, also competed at the meet against Illinois.

Post Photo/Bob Knoska



LISA BORICH Sports Editor

With their training phase almost over, the Golden Grizzly women's swim team is looking positive.

Head Coach Randy Teeters said, "We're an awesome team. We are a young team, but we have a lot of toughness, and I'm confident we will do well this season."

The OU women's swim team tried to preserve their winning streak from their victory against Wright State, but lost against University of Illinois, 102-136.

The home meet started out with the 400 yard IM. OU placed third with freshman Kristen Kursiss with a time of 4:38.59.

The OU women dominated both the one and three meter diving events taking all three places. Junior Kazi Murr placed first with a score of 224.14 in the one meter and with 252.45 in the three meter event.

Sophomore Devon Cunningham scored 223.35 for second place in the one meter and also second in the three meter with a score of 228.90.

Finishing third place in both diving events, sophomore Laura Sorley scored 201.97 in the one meter and 221.32 in the three meter event.

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OU swimming lends a helping hand to kids

By JACOB ELLIS Special Writer

The Championship days of OU swimming don't seem as distant with the Cooper said. prospects of the Oakland Live Y'ers (OLY) club team.

OLY Head Coach Jeff Cooper, a former OU All-American swimmer ('85-'88), guides the team's training and competition against other United States Swimming (U.S.S.) club teams.

"The relationship between OLY and

the university has always been positive. the new natatorium. OLY members show community support for the university, creating a mutu- university has provided us with a great ally beneficial situation for everyone,"

OLY operates out of OU's aquatic facilities. The club is dedicated to developing young people ages 5-18 into strong, technically sound swimmers.

OLY swimmers train at two separate nationally. sites. The younger age group program runs in the old Lepley center pool. Senior and national groups work out at young athletes for whatever event(s)

"We feel that with the new facility, the course. opportunity to develop a national level program," Cooper added.

A main priority of the club is contributing OLY swimmers to top collegiate programs. Another is to develop the team into a top ten U.S.S. program

Cooper's program concentrates on distance training. The aim is to prepare the

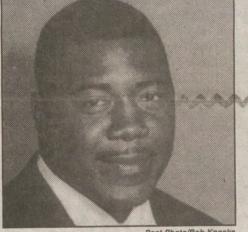
they will most excel at long and short

As a club team, OLY is sustained through payments of monthly dues by members. Currently, there are over 180 swimmers with the club.

The club has already made a splash toward its goals. OLY recently won the boy's long course event at the Junior Nationals meet for the Northeast.

OLY swimmers Jeff Moors and Randy

See LIVE Y'ERS page 15 Basketball is a way of life for Stephens



ASSISTING: Dwayne Stephens is the men's basketball assistant coach.

During his junior year, his team attend- but the honors didn't stop there. By KELLI PETROVE **Assistant Sports Editor** ed the regional finals.

in some aspect of basketball for most of his life. He joined the OU basketball coaching staff last year. Stephens serves as assistant men's basketball coach under Greg Kampe.

Stephens started his athletic career at Ferndale High School, where he played basketball for three years. Each year, his team won the league championship.

Dwayne Stephens has been involved playing his forward position, he also third in career games played, with a was a quarterback for the Ferndale total of 122. He is in tenth place on the

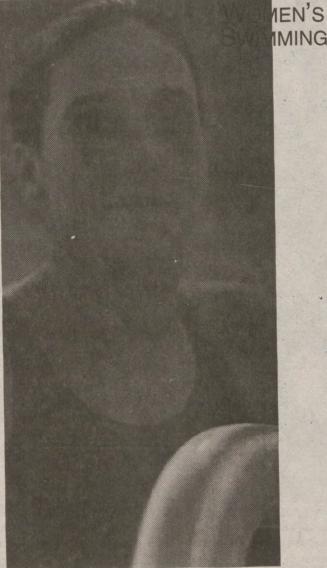
went to Michigan State, where he played forward for the Spartans. He MSU Defensive Player in 1992-93, and was a four-year letter winner for them was also named to the All-Midwest and in his freshman year went with his Honorable

team to the Sweet Sixteen. He was voted MVP in his junior year,

He currently holds many records at Stephens didn't stop there. Besides MSU. He is tied in the record books for all-time assists list, with 251, and is 32nd After graduation in 1989, Stephens in MSU career scoring with 893 points. Stephens was named the Outstanding

> Mention Team by See COACH page 15

Spotlight on the KAZI MURR:



Post Photo/Bob Knoska

By KELLI PETROVE Assistant Sports Editor.

Kazi Murr left the sun and sand in Saint Aluces, Florida to join OU's Diving team this season. The move to Division I and the new athletic center had a lot to do with her

"The new facility was appealing," Murr said. "I like the program here."

However, it wasn't only for the swimming pool that caused her to move far from home. Academics and the feel of OU helped in her

"There's a strong academic program," she said. "OU's not too big and not too small, it's a good medium."

Murr is a Human Resource junior and Development major who plans to do something related to recreational therapy.

"I'm not really sure what I want to do," she said. "I really should start thinking

The sport of diving is not new to Murr, who has been diving for five years. She dove for two years in high school and then moved on to Briarwood Community College in Florida.

While at Briarwood she won six awards in state competitions, and won the National Championship for a junior college in her last year before moving to Michigan.

During her career in Florida, she competed to train," she said.

with the competitive University of Miami

"I was a little intimidated, but I learned a lot watching them," Murr said.

With the experience of encountering challenging competitors she is ready for the OU meet against Cincinnati.

"They have a couple of dominating divers," Murr said. "But it is fun to watch

This season has been a time of growth for Murr. Besides being a great distance from her family, she had to build relationships and experiences with OU.

Her younger sister came to OU this year and the two are sharing a room. This alleviates some of the stress of being so far from home, and lets her concentrate on her diving experience and training.

"I was frustrated at first, but I feel like I am getting stronger," Murr said. "I'm adjusting to a lot of things and I'm excited for the sea-

As for returning to the sunshine state this summer, it is a decision currently up in the

With a possibility of coaching at the Hall of Fame as a chaperone and assistant, the move to Florida is a possible one. However, staying in Michigan is an option so that she can train hard and make money.

"I really wouldn't mind just staying here



Retreat

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"We want to help our academic program," she said.

"We try to use the recital hall when we can but the recital hall isn't a theatre."

According to the board meeting minutes, the performing arts center would be a 5,000 seat, \$50 million first-class facility.

Jeff Corey, director of public relations for the Palace of Auburn Hills, said they are in a researching phase and "looking into projects at OU and other sites."

He said that OU would be a likely candidate for a partnership because of their established relationship and positive dialogue with the campus, the attractiveness of campus and its proximity to the Palace.

No decisions were made at the retreat. Michael Riley, professor of biological science and president of the AAUP, said he believes that all these things will have a significant impact on the OU community.

"The performing arts center would benefit the area as a suitable activity for the university as is the hotel-conference center," he said.

Riley also said he would like to see how OU does in other sports in which it excels, like swimming and soccer.

Another addition to the impending campus construction is a housing complex of 100 new student apartments. Mary Beth Snyder, vice president for student affairs, said this is a separate issue on which the board has not yet taken official action.

"The concept has to be further developed with input from the community before we can take it to the board for an RFQ (request for proposal)," Snyder said.

The retreat was announced by the board about 18 hours before the meeting took place.

Eighteen hours is the minimum requirement for meeting notice, according to the Open Meetings Act.

RAD

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time"

He added, In majority of cases where the woman does not resist is because the assailant had weapon, which makes the situation different from when someone is going against an assailant person to person.

Ross has been speaking in the OU residence halls for years to raise awareness on campus, but this will allow for the first hands-on instruction. He added, this is the most beneficial and comprehensive program he has seen.

Some of the defense tactics women are required to learn in this program are astounding, he said.

Participants can expect to learn defensing tactics on the ground, a blocking defensive stance, vulnerable locations of the body, breaking grabs, a bear hug release, elbow strikes, a sweep kick and postures of attack.

Students are free and non-students and non-members of the Rec Center will be obligated to pay \$6 for a guest pass at the Rec Center per session. The course also includes a free Basic Physical Defense for Women Participation Manual.

To register for RAD call Ross at 370-4244, mailbox #1004.

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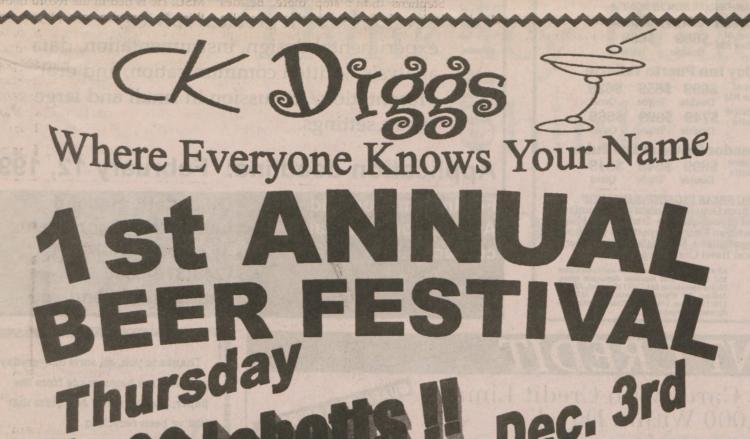
and University of Michigan Dearborn use the new Banner software.

Capital for the SAIL system upgrade was provided by OU's general expense

fund

Students who are unable to register by phone can go the Registrar's office located at 106 O'Dowd Hall.

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Meadow Brook after his marriage to Elinor Baldwin, a Catholic. "Mixed marriages were not tolerated at the time," said Wilson.

He spent 50 years in horse racing. He has four children and 11 grandchildren. He currently lives in Palm City, Florida with is second wife Jane.

"Life was very structured growing up," said Wilson. One of his memories is dressing in a suit and tie for dinner. He also remembers the dismissal of two governesses, one because brother Dan, "had eyes

for her" and the other because she took the children off the property while on a walk.

"This was at the time of the Lindbergh baby's kidnapping. Everyone had tight security."

He also remembers "being selfconscious that my house was so much bigger than my friends hous-

The death of his brother Dan impacted his life forever. According to Friedman, Dan died while honeymooning at a remote

As he lit a firecracker the sparks ignited the entire box, and shattered his arm. The nearest route to the hospital was by boat. Dan, in excruciating pain, dove overboard

before they reached shore, and drowned.

When looking at Meadow Brook and OU today, Wilson said, "I particularly like what President Russi is doing on campus. He is young and progressive." He said he feels that sports have helped the school, but "I wouldn't like to see football at OU. It takes away too many dollars from the main purpose of edu-

My only connection with Meadow Brook now is through my heart," said Wilson.

Wilson helps secure his mother's wish for Meadow Brook to continue as a real home. He donates his time and memories to those who

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Freshman Gracie Bender won a second place in the 100 yard freestyle event with a time of

The Golden Grizzlies placed a first in the 100 vard backstroke from sophomore Yvonne Lynn turning in a time of 1:00.11.

Together the women's team worked to get a

third in the 400 yard medley with help from Lynn, Kellyann Williams, Peggy Strauss, and Lisa VanTatenrove. Dec. 4 the Golden Grizzlies will be visiting

Eastern for the Eastern Michigan Invitational. Head Coach Scott Teeters is very positive about OU performing in this weeks invitation-

"We are not going to rest for this invitational," Teeters added, "the team wants to kick some butt."

Buffalo two 400 yard relays, which OU lost.

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Holidays

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memories to visitors.

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"I'm very impressed with Colin," Hovland said. "It was a key event in the meet and we needed to go first and second."

The final score of the meet was 108-123 putting OU just behind the University of Buffalo.

"It was a very close meet," Hovland said. "It

"This was a day just for family. Music

played from the rolls as they turned on the

organ while we gathered for dinner. The

table was decorated with Santa and his

centerpiece so that, when you pulled the

ribbon, a little present comes out," he said.

MBH. And the holiday exhibit brings these

"Picture Perfect Holidays" shows "The

essence of the people who lived there. It

highlights the history so visitors can get to

could have gone either way." The outcome of the meet came down to the

"We got torched in both relays," Hovland said. "So unfortunately we lost the meet." The men travel to Eastern Michigan

University on Dec. 4 and 5 for an invitational. "It is a big meet for this semester," Hovland said. "There will be real quality schools there and we will be able to find out where we will be in the rankings for our championship

know the family, and Detroit in the 1930s

and 1940s," Friedman said. The event also features three black-tie dinners Dec. 3-5. These dinners will reflect the elaborate style the Wilson's created at MBH. Cocktails begin at 6:30 p.m., with a tour of the Christmas displays. Candlelight dinner will follow at 8:30 with dancing in the Ballroom. Call MBH at 248-370-3140 for reservations.

reindeer. Ribbons were attached to this The hours for the Holiday walk are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily until Dec. 6. Today, it will be open until 9p.m. Wilson's memories give a picture of life at

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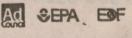
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Coach

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"Basketball Weekly."

He graduated in 1993 with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. However, his love for the game of basketball kept him from pursuing that career.

"My love for the game kept me in basketball," Stephens said.

Stephens was then invited to the Pistons' rookie camp. After that experience, he moved on to

play professional ball in Europe many transitions OU athletics for three years. He went to tour- have gone through. He watched naments in Portugal, France and

Stephens ended his profession- letic facility. al career at age 25 to pursue a younger than older, he said.

coach at MSU, had gone to OU admiration. and he helped get me into the assistant coach position," Stephens said.

Stephens has watched the all of those guys again."

as the teams moved into Division I and into the new ath-

"Brian Gregory, the assistant watched the Spartans with silent 1500-meter as well.

said. "It was really good to see

Live Y'ers

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When OU hosted MSU, his Lam dominated at the Junior coaching job. He decided to hang alma mater, he sat on the side- Nationals. Moors won the 400up his playing shoes because lines with torn loyalty. As a meter, 800-meter, and 1500-meter team and is scheduled to comcoaching is a field better entered coach should do, he cheered on freestyle events. He broke the pete overseas this winter. the Golden Grizzlies and junior national record in the

> Lam won the 200-meter butter-"I saw a lot of guys I played fly and 200-meter individual Marc Grey is a former OLY with, so that was cool," Stephens medley events, also setting a swimmer. The team tradition

new 200-meter butterfly record in the process.

Along with coach Cooper, Moors was recently invited to Select Camp training in Colorado Springs, CO. Plus,

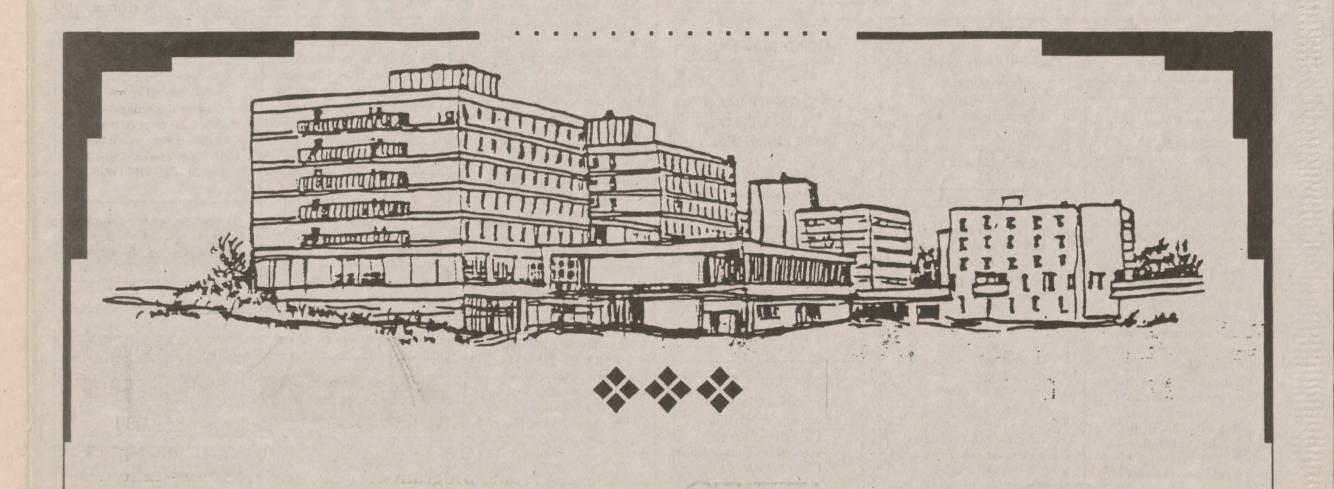
Several former OU standouts are on the coaching staff.

Additionally, current freshman

carries on to the younger genera-

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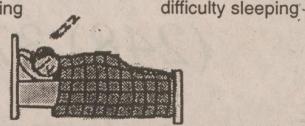
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