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Trial date set

Arrest made in Dec. bomb threat

By ROBERT WATERS
News Editor

An arrest has been made in connection with the Dec. 11 bomb threat that shut down South Foundation Hall for 24 hours, postponing final exams for more than 200 students.

Paul Gunther, an International Management major, was arrested Dec. 14 by OU Public Safety officers and charged with filing a false bomb threat, a misdemeanor that carries a 90-day jail term upon conviction.

The bomb threat, which came through the public safety switchboard, was first believed to be a tape recording of "a male with a middle eastern accent." The caller identified himself as a representative of Grenada.

But Investigator Mel Gilroy now believes that the caller had no political motives and "used the middle eastern accent to disguise his identity" and

mentioned Grenade to "add credence to the threat."

Gilroy said that Gunther, who graduated last semester, has "no history of taking any strong political stands." Gilroy believes that Gunther's only motive was to "avoid a final exam by closing down South Foundation Hall."

Gilroy is convinced that the prosecutor's office has a strong case against Gunther despite the lack of any physical evidence. "The charges are substantial, and the chances are greater that he will be convicted than not," said Gilroy.

"In the 12 years I've been with Public Safety there have been 20 or 30 bomb threats, and this is the first time we've had enough evidence to make an arrest," he said.

According to Gilroy, evidence against Gunther at this time consists of a report from a classmate who said that Gunther "looked happy and relieved when the exam was cancelled," testimony from the student dispatcher who took the bomb threat and, perhaps most substantial, a former girlfriend of Gunther's who is willing to testify that Gunther told her of his bomb threat plans beforehand and later described the call to her in detail.

However, those close to Paul Gunther are skeptical of the evidence against him and spoke of "fights and other problems" between Paul and his former girlfriend which, they believe, led her to implicate him in the bomb threat as an "act of revenge."

These same friends say they are sure Gunther was with them in the Iron Kettle at the time the bomb threat was made and that they are willing to testify to that fact.

Gunther, who is free on a \$1,000 personal bond, is visiting his father in Sudan and was not available for comment.

His trial is set for January 30 at the 52nd District Court in Rochester.

Book thieves strike again

By ROBERT WATERS
News Editor

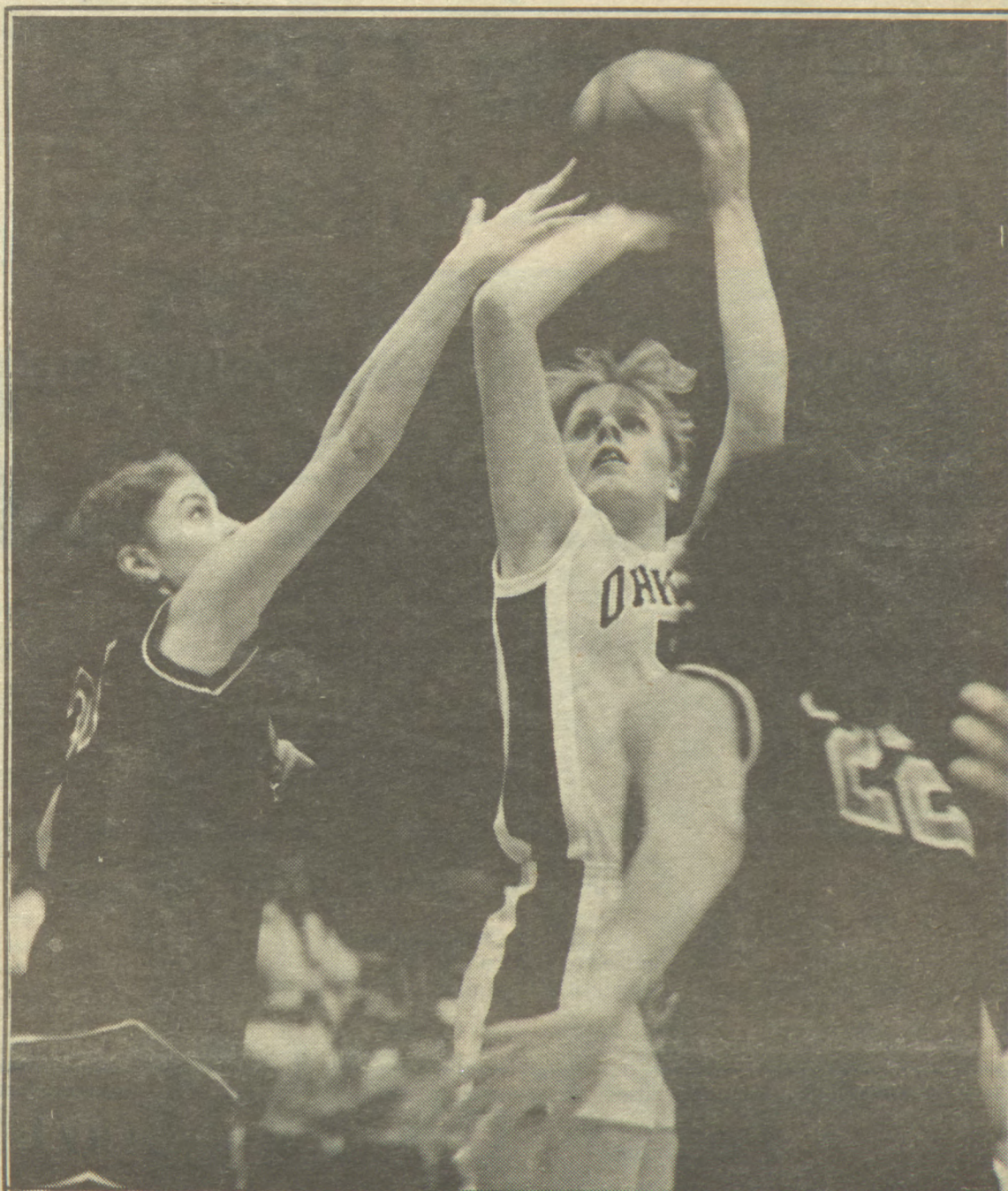
Three things seem to invade OU's campus during the last weeks of each semester: exam happy professors, study crazed students, and text book thieves.

The latter have become commonplace and according to Public Safety Investigator Mel Gilroy, "the pattern of semester end text book thefts is almost unreal."

"I can count on at least 10 reports of stolen books during final exam week of each semester," said Gilroy, "with the number of books stolen usually falling between 15 and 20."

According to Gilroy the books usually disappear from the Iron Kettle in the OC or from the library and end up turning a profit for the thieves at the used book buy-back.

He urges students not to leave their books unattended. "I can just imagine having my books marked and ready for studying and then having them ripped off," said Gilroy. "It must be devastating."



Going for two The Oakland Sail/Bob Knoska

Cincinnati defenders Donna Fry (left) and Anita Tersigni couldn't shake OU's Lisa Quinn as she went for the hoop during the Dominos-Wolverine Classic basketball tournament December 29 and 30 at Chrysler Arena. The Lady Pioneers split a pair of games losing to Cincinnati 87-69 and beating Akron 83-58. More on the tournament on page 9.

Campus chapel vacancies filled by local ministers

By DEAN STANLEY
Staff Writer

Father Jerry Brzezinski has assumed the role as priest for St. John Fisher Chapel, three months after former campus priest Father Brian Bjorklund's departure for sabbatical leave.

Bjorklund left the chapel last September after nine years as campus minister and priest.

Brzezinski, 40, has been in the Detroit Archdiocese Office of Religious Education for nine

years, and feels that his experience in the area of education helped him in the final decision.

Of seven applicants for the position, two finalists were chosen by the (St. John Fisher)

chapel board. The ultimate decision was made by the Archbishop.

Although Brzezinski has been at the chapel since mid-November and has had an

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Auditor's report points to possible embezzlement

By ROBERT WATERS
News Editor

An auditors report following a conference on robotics co-hosted by OU's Engineering Dept. and the Dept. of Defense has turned up a discrepancy of about \$5,000, according to Public Safety Investigator Mel Gilroy.

The conference, which took place April 26 and 27 of last year, was attended by hundreds of area engineers who paid

between \$50 and \$65 each to examine and discuss the latest technological advances in the field of robotics.

"The auditor's report shows that at least \$15,000 was taken in at the conference, but that only about \$10,000 was eventually deposited," said Gilroy.

"Somewhere between the end of the conference and the bank deposit the money

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disappeared. I don't think anyone reached in and grabbed it from the till, we feel it was taken by someone from the inside, someone entrusted to deposit it," he said.

"The whole incident points to embezzlement," said Gilroy who began his investigation

when the auditor brought the \$5,000 discrepancy to his attention Dec. 8.

"More information should be available soon," said Gilroy who wouldn't name any suspects, but confessed to having some "good ideas and promising leads."

Personality tests may predict college grades

CLEVELAND, OH (CPS)—Behavior tests administered in early adolescence can predict later success in college just as well as more commonly used scholastic aptitude tests, according to a Cleveland State University researcher.

Youngsters who scored high in self control and conscientiousness in early adolescence behavior tests consistently are successful when they later enter college, said Dr. James Schuerger, a CSU psychology professor.

In 1968, Schuerger gave psychological and personality tests to over 3000 males aged 14-19, and recently contacted the parents of 200 of the youngsters to check on their current scholastic pursuits.

Children who had scored high in self control and "attention to detail" had the highest scholastic success, while those who showed early signs of guilt and low self control were the least successful academically, Schuerger reported.

The guilt-prone and low self control students also tended to be drug and alcohol abusers as well, he added.

"We've known for a long time that if you correlated personality test results with grades you'd find that youngsters with high self control and conscientiousness did better academically," Schuerger explained.

"We found that the scores on the personality and psychological tests were as good predictors of scholastic ability as the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) or ACT (American College Testing exam)."

But he doesn't recommend using personality tests to replace such widely-used admissions tests as the ACT and SAT.

"Personality tests would be too easy to fake once students caught on to them," he noted.

The profile of a highly successful college student, he said, would be someone who showed "conscientiousness, ability to turn in work on time, ability to focus attention on specific tasks, high levels of imagination, and introspective abilities."

Chapel

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opportunity to "meet a large number of students," his four-year assignment officially began the first of the year.

Also starting at the chapel as Director of Religious Education is Michael Ebaugh, a 1980 OU graduate finishing his masters in Religious

Education at Orchard Lake Seminary.

Ebaugh, 25, feels that the local community and students attending the chapel comprise a "healthy mix." At present the chapel roster has more than 550 families.

Ebaugh, who taught for two years at Shrine High School in

Royal Oak, has replaced Diane Brady as one of five campus ministers.

Both he and Brzezinski will be officially welcomed to the university on Thursday, January 12 in the OC's Oakland Room at 3:30 p.m.

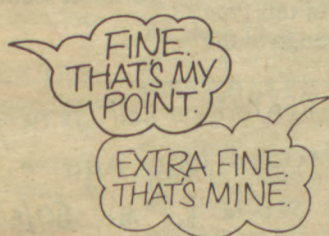
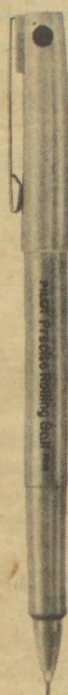
Brzezinski said that he was "comfortable" with the chapel and his new assignment.



Father Jerry Brzezinski

Michael Ebaugh

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EDITORIAL

Time to stop rushing grades

The evaluation of academic excellence is presently vogue, and being paraded around by countless committees, task forces and groups hoping to pinpoint the real problem in today's system.

Good idea. There's nothing wrong with looking toward making things better. Maybe one improvement could come in the way we, as students, are evaluated.

Final exam week is still fresh in all our minds—professors and students alike. It is a time in which we are all pushed to do too much in too short a time. All-important grades are on the line and instructors have tight deadlines to meet, which means we are all graded on our efforts in the matter of a few hours.

Our lengthy papers and essay exams are piled with possibly hundreds of others in our professors' offices, presumably to be read within the next forty eight hours and evaluated fairly.

How can this be? How can a professor, who is only human, read dozens of essay papers and final examinations in two days, grade them fairly and make the deadline at the Records Office?

There are several classes in which an entire grade depends on those finals, those papers. There is no room to make up for mistakes once they are turned in. And we must wonder if those mistakes are all our fault.

How many of us pray, as we hand those life-and-death works over, that ours will be graded first? For we must consider the plight of the paper which turns up at the end of the line, after too many cups of coffee and too many sleepless hours.

How can those ideas be evaluated as fairly by the instructor as those pored over initially?

Or what about the work comes back with nary a mark, a comment, a bent page? What of that strange feeling we often get that our papers have been sitting in some strange academic void from the time we turned them in, never again touched by human hands? What of the frustration of feeling that the months (for it is seldom a paper is truly all put together in a few days) of research have gone for naught in the final analysis? Too often, we feel there has been no final analysis.

And so it goes. If instructors are to continue driving students to such lengths, basing a great deal of the final grade on these final works, more time and consideration should be given to them.

Maybe this too-tight deadline should be lifted. A couple of extra days to turn in grades would undoubtedly help the instructors out.

And as far as students go, the extra wait for those weighty report cards may turn out positively, and reflect the time and effort that honestly went into evaluating that effort.

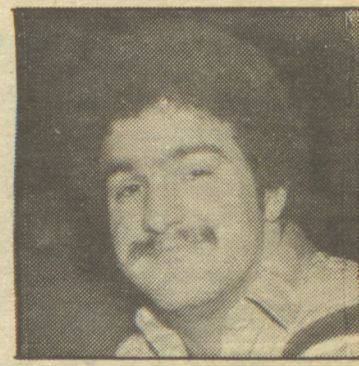
Other Voices



Rose Calvario, junior HRD major: "I didn't make a New Year's resolution 'cause I've made them in the past, and they never lasted past the first week."

Question: Have you broken your New Year's resolution yet?

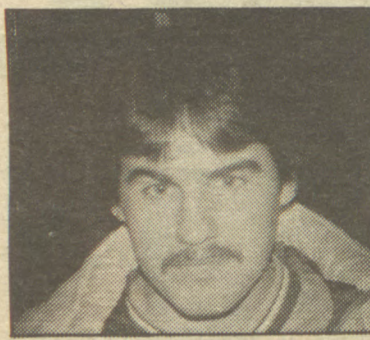
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Jim Descamps, sophomore CIS major: "No, not yet. Mine was to not drink—it gets too expensive. It'll last until about Wednesday. Hold it! I did have a couple of beers on January 3rd."



Ann Marie Dennis, sophomore Communication Arts major: "No. My resolution was really to improve myself and get more involved in school activities."



Scott Boland, freshman Business Management major: "I didn't have one so I didn't break it. I didn't have anything to give up."



Brian Augustyn, sophomore Business Management major: "No, it was to quit smoking. I still haven't smoked, and I used to smoke a pack a day."

LETTERS

Gold at the end of the line

Dear Editor:

Being a college senior the price of textbooks should no longer amaze and astound me. Nevertheless, with the start of every term I continually find that I am.

Standing among the throng of students in the OU Bookcenter Wednesday, a smile of incredulity spread across my face as I thought of this same scene being played out on countless college campuses across the nation.

How envious medieval alchemists would be of modern

man, for he's discovered a way to turn paper into gold.

Anita Spaniola

Slang usage in headline offends fraternity

Dear Editor:

I appreciate the story in your December 12, 1983 issue on the popularity of fraternities, although I resent the word "frat."

I do not approve of this type of heading. Even though in the

past fraternities have had some bad publicity we also have done a lot of good for the school.

Please keep slang and personal opinions in the editorial section.

Bill Clemens

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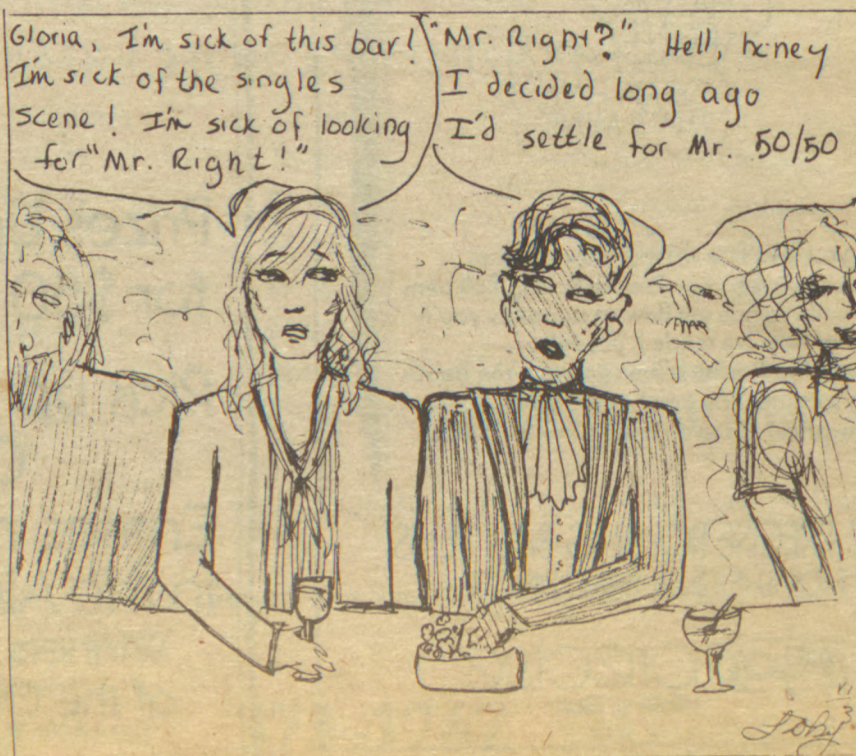
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By LAUREL TOBY

CAMPUS LIVING/ARTS

Student cheats near fatal disease

By CARY RUSSO
Staff Writer

In this society, a physician is generally regarded as an error-free individual. Once a doctor makes a decision pertaining to a patient, it is usually accepted.

But for Al Alpar, an OU freshman, it was his determination which prompted him to ignore his doctor's advice and struggle to maintain his life.

Three years ago Alpar was diagnosed as having chronic Myelogenous leukemia (CML). CML is a disease of the blood, particularly bone marrow. In Alpar's case, the bone marrow produced too many white blood cells, which in turn attacked sensitive organs such as the liver and spleen.

"I was told I had 18 to 40 months to live. (The doctor said) there was nothing I could do and no place to go for help. They said none of the research was working or even worth my looking into," Alpar stated.

Alpar finally found the necessary treatment which helped save his life, but only after battling with a medical

community that seemed bent on throwing many obstacles in his way.

Alpar first noticed that he had a problem when his hands started peeling for no apparent reason. He went to a dermatologist, who could not solve the problem and suggested that Alpar take a blood test. The results of the blood sample indicated that Alpar had 60,000 white blood cells. The normal count is around 6,000.

It was his personal physician who told him he had CML and that there wasn't anything that could be done to combat the disease. "But I'm not one for quietly dying," stated Alpar.

After being released from a Rochester hospital, Alpar and his family immediately went to Sloane-Kettering, a cancer research center in New York City.

Alpar met with doctors from the Sloane-Kettering staff. Their treatment consists of the removal of the spleen along

with intense chemotherapy. They claimed that no other experimental treatment program was working too well.

"There was a ten percent chance that I could be alive in ten years. I didn't think that sounded too good," said Alpar.

Alpar's next stop was the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston, where he talked with Dr. Joal Rappaport. Rappaport explained the technique called bone marrow transplant. Alpar's chances of surviving the operation were estimated at sixty percent.

However, due to the Boston hospital's small facility for this procedure, Alpar could not be guaranteed treatment. While Alpar was on the two-year waiting list for Boston, he heard about a research center in Seattle, Washington which has done 2000 of the 4000 bone marrow transplants attempted.

Alpar entered the research center in Seattle and made the decision to have the transplant done. Luckily, his brother's bone marrow matched his and the operation was approved.

But what irked Alpar most was the lack of cooperation he received from the different medical staffs he talked with. The Sloane-Kettering staff did not inform Alpar of bone marrow transplants, while the

Boston doctors failed to recommend the research center in Seattle.

Alpar excused his personal physician, saying, "She was in the dark concerning the newest procedures I could have used. She's very happy that I went through with the transplant." He added, "Even after I decided to have the bone marrow transplant, some doctors asked, 'Why do it (get the transplant) now, just because I could have a 25 percent greater chance of living?' I know in my case I

made the right decision. I can't tell other people to go out and do this because their lives may vary," stated Alpar.

The transplant operation is a relatively simple procedure. Liquid bone marrow is taken out of the donor's hip through a needle. Once taken, the bone marrow is injected into the patient's bloodstream. After 21 days of rehabilitation, Alpar was considered totally cured.

"I have the same chance of getting leukemia now as I did in the first place—which isn't very

great," said Alpar. He maintains that part of the reason for his quick recovery is

due to the attitude he kept through the whole ordeal.

"I said, this is a problem that I'm going to have to deal with. I'm going to get it done and live my life after it's over," said Alpar. "There's a foul liquid you have to take. It will increase your chances by ten percent. Some of the nurses would say, 'What's ten percent, and with the chemotherapy you might not be able to hold it down.' I'd say, it's my life and ten percent is the difference between sixty and seventy percent."

Before his operation a death counsellor came to see Alpar at the request of Alpar's mother.

"The woman asked me if I'd accepted death," said Alpar. "When something tries to take

your life from you, you feel, 'Hell no!' There's a lot of things you can't control, but there's a lot of stuff you can. I went in with the attitude that I was going to positively affect all the things I could control."

Local band goes for broke

By JILL LUCIUS
Staff Writer

Rock-n-roll, watch out! Here comes SURRENDER, a brand new area band with lots of talent and energy.

Sitting in on one SURRENDER jam session is enough to convince anybody of the group's potential. It doesn't matter whether the song is "Give Me All Your Lovin'," "Hot Girls In Love," or "Talkin' In Your Sleep," SURRENDER plays them all well, blending their own style in with that of the original songwriters.

Seeing SURRENDER is more than just a listening experience; it's a lot of fun too. Band members Mitch Pierce, Joe Singles, Rod White, Mike Whitney, and Chris Wollerman like to mix crazy antics in with their obvious talent.

Pierce, SURRENDER's 25-year-old bassist, has known Whitney for some time. Both Whitney, 24, and Pierce are from the Waterford area and were previously members of FULL FORCE.

SURRENDER's lead vocalist, Singles, spent a year and a half in Central Michigan's broadcasting program before he returned to the Pontiac area to pursue his musical interests. Singles, 21, is known for his previous experience with the band CHASER.

White, SURRENDER's drummer from Union Lake, keeps the band alive with quick wit and off the wall humor in addition to his excellent drum skills. Strongly influenced by Keith Moon of the WHO, White, 23, has been playing drums seriously since about 1977.

Wollerman, 23, rounds out the band with his unique and talented style on the keyboards. A serious keyboardist since the age of 10, Wollerman last played with STORM WARNING.

Separately, each of the guys has his own style and energy, but together their blend of talent, style, and stage antics lights up the stage like few bands can. Watching Singles jump around or do the splits, or seeing Whitney play the guitar with his teeth, is half the fun.

SURRENDER members do admit that looks, personality and stage presence are very important when it comes to packaging a band for the rock circuit, but they also believe that nothing can make up for true skill and musical ability.

"You can have a band full of the best looking guys in the world," Whitney said, "but they're not going to make it unless they can play the music."

Playing the music and playing it well is not that simple, warns Singles. "A lot of people see us up on stage and they think 'what a lot of fun.' But it's not as easy as it sounds....It takes a lot of work."

But SURRENDER enjoys the work, and it's when the work pays off that the band really feels good. SURRENDER members believe it'll all pay off when they become self-supporting, get an important record contract, and begin to make large amounts of money.

What happens if SURRENDER should become rich and famous? Each of the guys has

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OPEN SPACE

By BILL SLEEMAN
Campus Living/Arts Editor

My '84 Resolution

Coming back to the dorms this week felt different than it has in the past, it was more expectant. No, joyful would be a better word! What could be so joyful about another semester of school? Well, for myself and several hundred other people it is the last semester any of us will be at OU. This fills me with a sense of dread more than anything else.

The reason for this dread is kind of difficult to understand and to explain. I've made some very close friends here at Oakland in the past three years and it is hard to imagine my life without them. The dread comes from knowing that we will drift apart just as happened when I left behind my friends from high school.

I know that I won't write, oh, I'll say that I will and I might even write down some addresses but I know that it won't happen. My friends might get a phone call at Christmas or a card on their birthday (though I doubt the latter because, as all my friends know, I am terrible when it comes to remembering dates) but not much more than that.

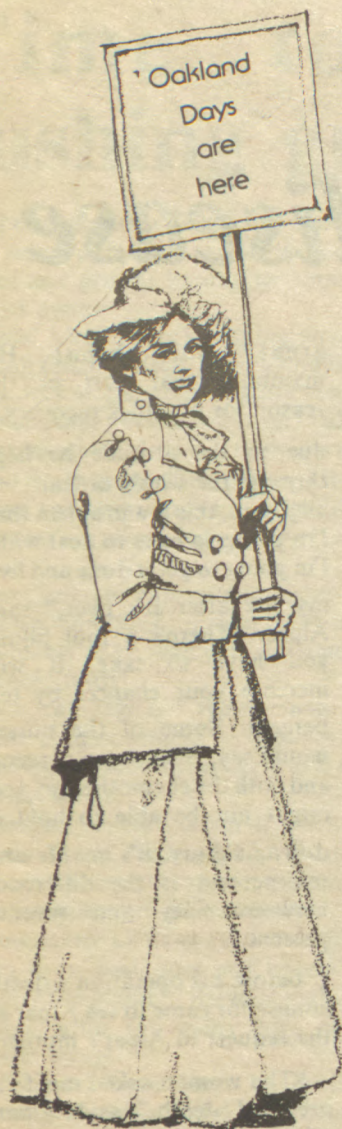
So this semester I'm really going to try and spend more time with my friends. I'll drink a few more beers than I usually do, I'll blow off my studies (once in awhile) to just sit and B.S. I will...I really will.

People say that a New Year's resolution, like a promise, is made to be broken and by late February or early March when the pressure starts to really build I will more than likely break this one. But, I have a lot of friends that I care about so I hope that I can keep from breaking it.

Boy, do I hope I can keep from breaking this one.

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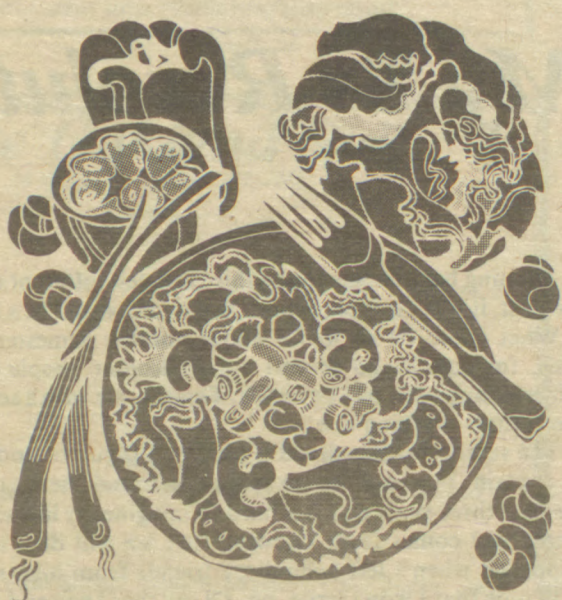
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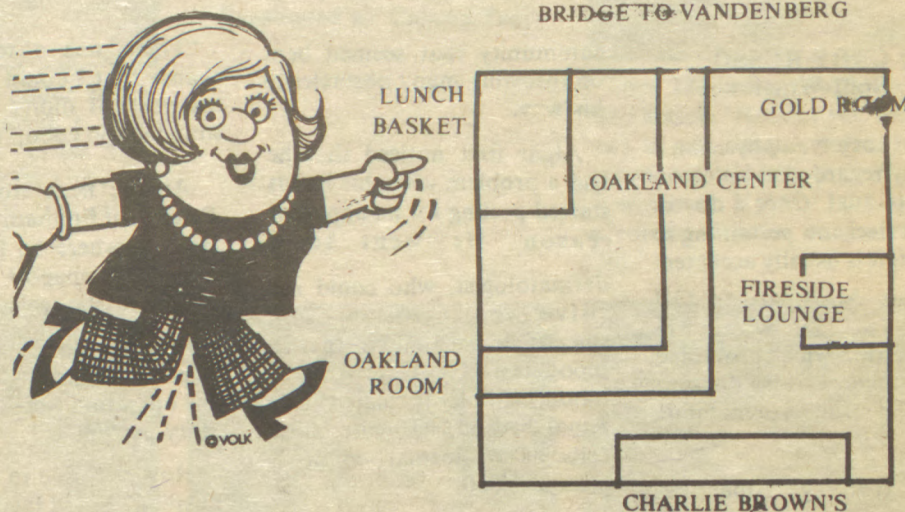
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his own ideas on how to spend the money.

Pierce would like to set up his own studio, while Wollerman bluntly states, "I'd buy more keyboards."

Whitney, who also thinks along musical lines, wants to further his musical abilities and

branch out into different areas in the field.

Singles wants to "reward all my old friends and then maybe become an actor."

White is also thinking of rewards. "I'd buy my parents something real nice.... You know, to reward the folks for putting up with me. Then I want to buy a condo in the south of France."

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Tuesday, 01-10-84

Career Planning & Ed. Fields Workshop	10:00 am	OC Gold Room
Phi Sigma Sigma Slide Show	5:30 pm	OC Heritage Room
Gamma Phi Beta Information Party	7:00 pm	OC Abstention
Theta Chi Rush Meeting	8:00 pm	Meadow Brook Theatre
Play: <i>Long Day's Journey Into Night</i>	8:30 pm	

Wednesday, 01-11-84

Career Planning & Ed. Fields Workshop	10:00 am	OC Gold Room
Film	10:30 am	OC
General Meeting, Speaker	11:00 am	129-130 OC
<i>Long Day's Journey Into Night</i>	2:00 pm	Meadow Brook Theatre
Theta Chi Fraternity Rush Meeting	8:00 pm	OC Oakland Room
Order of Leibowitz Meeting	8:00 pm	125 OC
Pinochle Club	8:00 pm	
<i>Long Day's Journey Into Night</i>	8:30 pm	Meadow Brook Theatre

Thursday, 10-12-84

Delta Sigma Theta Meeting	12:00 noon	126-127 OC
Phi Sigma Sigma Skits/Singing	5:00 pm	OC Heritage Room
Brian Todd, Impressionist	6:30 pm	OC Abstention
Gamma Phi Beta Theme Party	7:00 pm	OC Lounge II
W.I.C. Guest Speaker	7:00 pm	OC
<i>Long Day's Journey Into Night</i>	8:30 pm	Meadow Brook Theatre

Friday, 01-13-83

Delta Sigma Theta Meeting	12:00 noon	126-127 OC
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Supershots could win \$1 million

By **CLIFF WEATHERS**
Sports Editor

There will be seven Super Shot contests sponsored by the athletic department this winter. Six will be for the opportunity to win an Oldsmobile Fierenza, and the seventh for a grand prize of \$1 million.

Local sponsors will contribute the grand prize and Pat Morran Olds and GMC will supply the cars, should someone win one.

Tickets, costing \$1, will be sold at the door at men's and women's basketball games. At each event one name will be selected. The holder of the

winning ticket will have the opportunity to shoot from a free throw line to the basket on the opposite side of the court.

The dates for the car shots are Jan. 19 and 21 and Feb. 4, 23 and 25. The shot at \$1 million will be on February 11.

Sports Information Director Stan Blackford said that the

contest has been sanctioned by the State Lottery Commission. If someone wins a car or the million dollar prize, the cost will be the responsibility of the sponsors, not the university, Blackford said. "(Athletic Director) Paul Hartman pursued this with the Michigan Lottery Commission for two

weeks. Approval came from both the university and the lottery commission," said Blackford.

Blackford thinks "it's an exciting promotional idea. Not only should it be fun for the fans; there's always the possibility someone will win a new car or a million bucks."

SPORTS

Cobras take a bite out of Pioneers

By **JOELLEN M. LABAERE**
Staff Writer

During the semester break the Lady Pioneers met with both defeat and victory in a two-day tournament in Ann Arbor.

In the first game of the Dominos-Wolverine Classic, OU lost to Cincinnati 87-69 even though Kim Nash captured 16 rebounds and Brenda McLean had 11. It was McLean who kept sinking the ball for an outstanding 23 points for that game backed up by 15 points from Nash.

Coach Sue Kruszewski said the team had a good showing and competed well against both teams in the tournament. "We played real well and real aggressively," she said.

In the second game the Lady Pioneers blew past Akron, 83-58, and McLean hit 18 points while Nash reached 15. Guard Kim McCartha and forward Anya Williams each walked away with 12 points and almost everyone on the team had a chance to score.

The coaches at the tournament voted for the top players and selected two from OU, Brenda McLean and Kim Nash. Two others were chosen from Cincinnati and one from Michigan.

In an exhibition game Wednesday night, the team challenged and lost to the Detroit Cobras, a team of former collegiate All-



The Oakland Sail/Bob Knoska
OU's Kim McCartha goes around two Akron defenders on her way to 12 points and an OU win

CLIFF'S NOTES

Will visions of big cash tempt our hero to cheat?

By **CLIFF WEATHERS**
Sports Editor

"That sure is a long way," I thought, estimating the distance to the basket from the opposite free throw line. Some guy playing basketball in the Lepley Sports Center told me that it was about 72 feet. "I could never make the shot," he said. Yet, he's been playing basketball for years.

Myself, I haven't touched a basketball in about ten months and haven't really played since I was in tenth grade. I still have this dream, though, of winning a million bucks for myself.

Later, I borrowed a basketball just to see how close I could come to making the shot. It landed six feet short of the basket.

Walking away miserably, I tried to concoct several ideas which would make it more likely for me to make the shot if I'm lucky enough to have my ticket picked at one of the games. After all, I realize I do not have the strength or talent to make the shot.

I do, however, have the greatest talent for making wastepaper basket shots. I love to show off at the *Sail* office, making hook shots from behind file cabinets, snaring rebounds from off the door and making fast breaks around typewriters.

Hmm, I wonder how I could possibly make that shot. The first thing to occur to me was that I could secretly fill one of the balls with helium, making it light enough to float that ridiculous distance. Of course that would be cheating and there would be no way I could get away with it (or so they think!).

If it ever actually came down to making the shot I think I would try to kick the ball across the court and hope it sinks. They probably wouldn't allow that either, though.

I, like everyone else, have pipe dreams. I know that I could probably never make the shot, even if my ticket was selected at one of the games. I'll buy a ticket, though. Probably a few, actually.

If you'll excuse me, I have to send in my Publisher's Clearing House Sweepstakes Entry.

Men play in tourney

By **LYNN HOWELL**
Staff Writer

The men's basketball team traveled to Connecticut over winter break to play in Sacred Heart College's Holiday Classic Tournament.

Although the Pioneers posted a 1-3 tournament record Coach Lee Frederick stated, "It was the toughest competition we have faced all year and I am pleased with our performance."

The opening round of the tourney slated the pioneers against New York Technological College.

Despite the scoring sprees of Harold Davis, who pumped in 18 points, and Craig Mitchell, 17, the Pioneers fell victim to Tech 90-68.

Rob Skinner turned in an all-round performance with eight points and seven assists.

Mitchell, Walt Dixon and Mike Mohn combined for 11 rebounds—not enough to match the board force of Tech, which snared 35 to the Pioneers' 18.

Winless Queens College of New York provided the Pioneers with their lone victory, 94-71.

Senior Mike Mohn paced the Pioneers with a scoring barrage of 21 points, four assists, eight rebounds and two steals. Davis tied Mohn's scoring mark and snared four rebounds and assisted six times.

The defensive prowess of Jeff Straal produced three blocked shots. Skinner turned in a fine defensive performance which netted three steals and 10 points for the Pioneer tally. Dixon lead the Pioneer board force with 10 rebounds.

Lady tankers tie U of M

By **JOELLEN M. LABAERE**
Staff Writer

In a splash of excitement Friday night, the women's swim team managed to tie Division I Michigan in the final event of the meet, the 400 medley relay.

Although OU did well in the individual freestyle events, points were lost in the backstroke and the breaststroke.

The women were also outnumbered in the diving events which brought the score even closer in the middle of the meet, making it a race to the finish.

The crowd was not disappointed even though the final score was a standoff at 71-71.



The Oakland Sail/Bob Knoska
Kathy Van Valkenberg, Karen Enniking and Mary Vincent cheer on their teammates.

Tankers rated number one; Hovland disputes placing

By MIKE JORDAN
Staff Writer

The men's swimming team returned from Christmas vacation with a number one rating by *Swimmers' World* magazine. Coach Pete Hovland believes that the rating is unjustified, though.

"I think that this number one rating is a little premature," commented Hovland. "At the time that *Swimmers' World* printed their ratings they didn't take a few facts into consideration."

The fact that Hovland is referring to is that number two California State Northridge, who has won eight out of the last nine Division II championships, has the right to hold the number one rating because of their exceptional reputation.

"Any time you have a team that has been as good as Northridge has, for as long as they have, it's only natural they will maintain that status and may even get better," said Hovland. "We've been the second and third place team the last few years."

Hovland mentioned, though, that OU is the only team that has been able to beat them and break their championship streak. OU did so by winning the NCAA meet in 1980.

Last year the Pioneers missed winning the crown in the last event. OU is working on their diving program, but has yet to prove that it can be national contenders in that event. This could be the deciding factor in bringing home the crown.

Swimmers' World rates Northridge's divers superior to OU's.

"Even though Northridge has the divers, we use this fact to make us swim even harder," commented Hovland.

Jerry Hinsdale of *Swimmers' World* commented in a story appearing in the January

edition that Cal-State Northridge is no stranger to being on the top of the heap and has the ability to come from behind to win. They could very well do so if OU misses a stroke along the way.

Northridge is missing important members from their 1983 team. This could account for OU's number one rating.

Hovland notes that since the publication of the article in *Swimmers' World* a few swimmers have become eligible to compete for Northridge.

"They just got a couple of swimmers that could be rated in their events," said Hovland.

Athlete of the Week Rebounding brings Nash honors

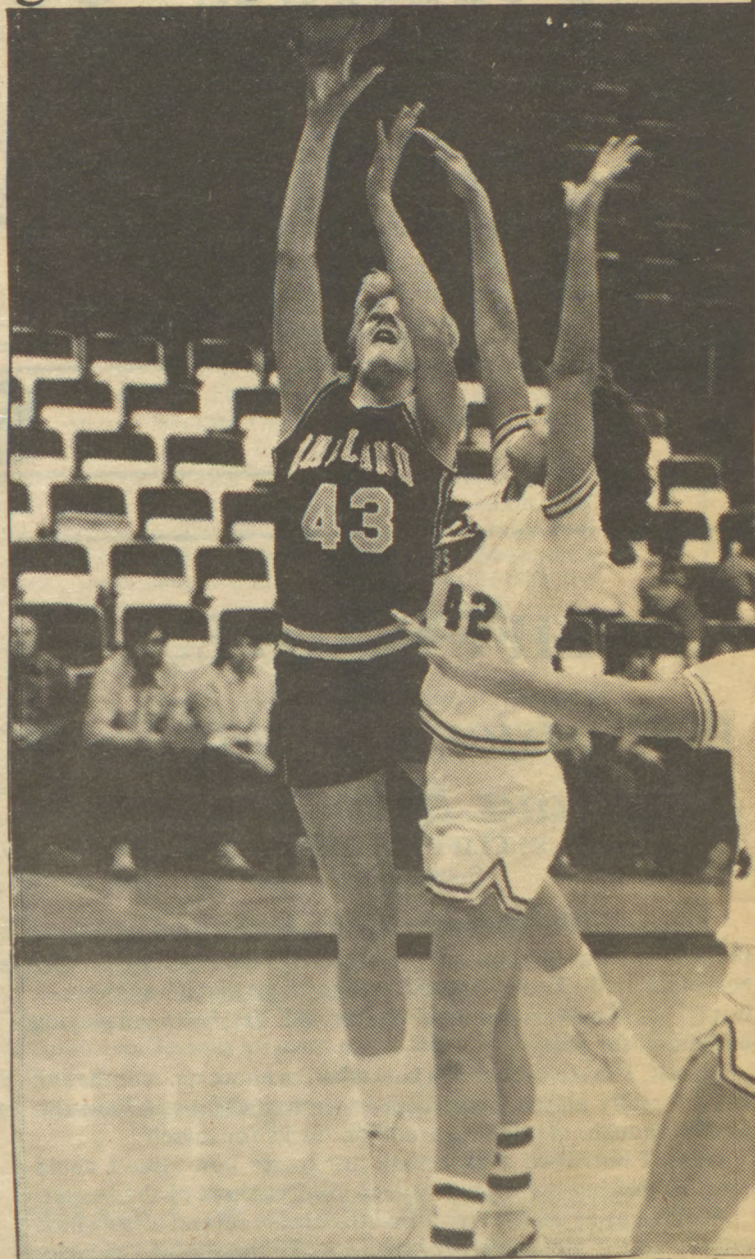
By JOELLEN M. LaBAERE
Staff Writer

Kim Nash, a 6'3" center, provides the strength in rebounding that the Lady Pioneers have used to solidly challenge their opponents. Nash is a junior from Trenton who has come to know and play basketball well and is considered a formidable force in the division.

In the Dominos-Wolverine classic two weeks ago, Nash was chosen as one of the five outstanding players at the tournament and has a promising place in the upcoming games for OU.

Nash is a very physical player and has improved as a college athlete using her height and alertness. Her rebounding skill adds points to the score and helps to put OU way ahead for a win.

The women play Thursday against Ferris State at Lepley Center. Nash and company will take to the court at 6 p.m.



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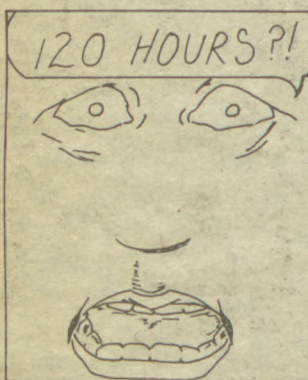
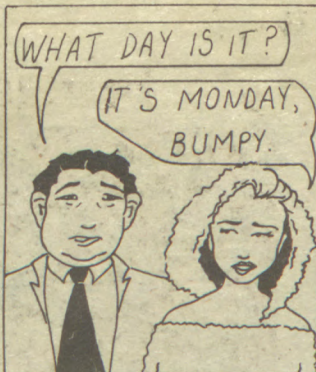
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Women

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Americans. Playing for the Cobras was former OU basketball star, Linda Krawford, which added extra excitement to the contest.

However, it was a game riddled by missed shots and miscalculated passes by both teams in the beginning, but the Cobras managed to keep a strong lead and won 76-52.

Kruszewski said she was not surprised by the outcome of the game. "I knew how powerful a team they were. They were playing aggressively and they have some tremendous shooters," she said.

The squeaking of the players' shoes sounded loudly on the floor accompanied by an

occasional hiss from a Cobra player. It seemed as if the Cobras were going after the ball and would stop at nothing to get it.

Kruszewski said the intimidation by the Cobras contributed to their mistakes. "The girls were rushing shots. They were afraid they were going to be blocked, and for good reason," she said.

After six games the Pioneers are 5th in their division for scoring defense and 4th for free-throw percentage.

"Although our record is only 4-6 at this point," said Kruszewski, "it's no indication of what the rest of the season will be like."

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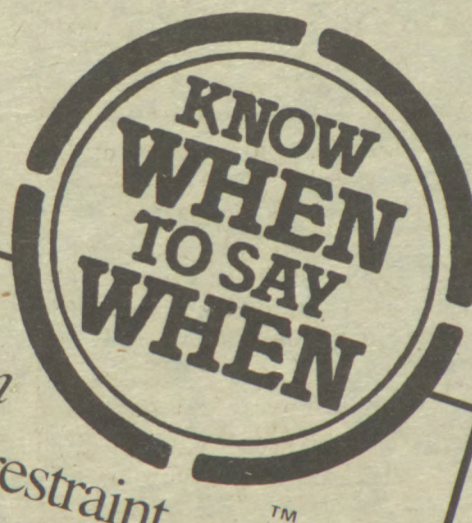
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