

NEWS

Welcome Week

It's Time to Say Hello to Returning Students
and Greet Those Who are Just Arriving at OU

The university community will roll out the red carpet for approximately 13,000 returning students next week.

Official Welcome Week '94 activities begin September 6 and continue through September 10. The Division of Student Affairs is coordinating the week's events. Throughout the week, students, faculty and staff will also be able to greet Mary Beth Snyder, the new vice president for student affairs. Here's a day-by-day rundown of what to expect during Welcome Week:

Tuesday, September 6

■ From noon-2 p.m., the residence halls will sponsor a picnic between Beer Lake and the Oakland Center. The entire university community is invited. Food will be available for a nominal fee.

■ Information tables will be set out from 4-7 p.m. in the Oakland Center, South Foundation Hall and Dodge Hall.

■ Evening advising will be available from 5-7 p.m. in the Oakland Center near Sweet Sensations.

■ New residence halls students may attend a welcoming reception at 10 p.m. in the Hamlin Hall lounge.

Wednesday, September 7

■ Information tables will be set up from 7:45 a.m.-6:30 p.m. in the Oakland Center, South Foundation Hall and Dodge Hall.

■ A Student Leadership Picnic Extravaganza will run from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. between the Oakland Center and North Foundation Hall.

■ CIPO will sponsor an Oakland Center Patio Concert with Noventa Mariachi from 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.

■ At noon, the Student Program Board will sponsor Tonic Sol-Fa, a roving acapella group.

■ For those interested in the inner workings of the mind, a discussion of *Right Brain/Left Brain* will take place in 126-127 Oakland Center. Brown-bag lunches are welcome.

■ The Division of Student Affairs Open House returns with a free ice cream social from 1-3 p.m. and 5-6:30 between South and North Foundation Halls. Faculty and staff members will do the scooping.

■ Evening advising hours continue from 5-7 p.m. in the Oakland Center.

■ The Limpopo Russian Band will perform at 8 p.m. in the OC Crockery. The program is sponsored by the Student Program Board.

Thursday, September 8

■ Information tables will be set up from 7:45 a.m.-6:30 p.m. in the Oakland Center, South Foundation Hall and Dodge Hall.

■ Another Oakland Center Patio Concert will be presented by CIPO from 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. with Robert Jones, who performs in a Mississippi Delta blues style.

■ A seminar on *Student Rights and Responsibilities* will be given from noon-1 p.m. in 125 OC.

■ Tours of Kresge Library will start every 15 minutes from 1:30-3 p.m.

■ The first Freshman Convocation begins at 4:30 p.m. (see separate item).

■ Evening advising continues from 5-7 p.m. in the Oakland Center.

Friday, September 9

■ A brown bag lunch seminar on *Time Management* will be held from noon-1 p.m. in 125 OC.

■ David Coleman, who was featured in *Mademoiselle* magazine, will present a *Creative Dating Workshop* from noon-1:30 p.m. in the OC Fireside Lounge.

■ Annual "Opening Day" remarks by President Sandra Packard at 3 p.m. in the OC Crockery (see separate item).

■ SPB Outdoor Movie, Pink Floyd's *The Wall*, at 9 p.m. on the wall of O'Dowd Hall. In case of rain, it will be in 201 Dodge Hall.

Saturday, September 10

■ Saturday Night Disco Bingo begins at 8 p.m. and runs until midnight in the OC Crockery. Free admission. The program is for members of the OU community only. Prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be available.

You're Invited to Attend
President Packard's Events

President Sandra Packard will welcome the university community back to campus at two special events next week.

The first Freshman Convocation is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. September 8 at Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion. It will be followed at 5:30 by a reception at Sunset Terrace. All faculty and staff members are invited to attend and greet the students.

At 3 p.m. September 9 in the Oakland Center Crockery, the President will deliver her traditional "Opening Day" remarks. The President will outline goals and objectives for the university community in the coming academic year.

Also during the program, winners of the faculty Teaching Excellence Awards and Research Excellence Awards will be cited. The Marian Wilson Book Award will also be presented to a faculty member.

The program also includes citing recipients of the staff Employee of the Month award for 1993-94, introducing new employees and faculty members, and a slide show featuring university personnel.

A reception will follow the program.

Oakland One
of First to Join
AmeriCorps
Service

Students at Oakland will be among the first in Michigan to participate in the new AmeriCorps community service program as it gets under way during the fall semester.

The federally funded AmeriCorps program is patterned after the Peace Corps. Joyce Esterberg, program manager in the Department of Placement and Career Services, says 40 Oakland students will be accepted to work with at-risk junior high school-age youth. The goal is to reduce youth violence and to help return youngsters, including those on probation, to schools and the community. Oakland's program will be coordinated with the city of Pontiac, Pontiac schools, Oakland County Probate Court, Lighthouse community service agency, Pontiac Boys and Girls Club, and Camp Oakland. Oakland University students will work with at-risk youth by tutoring, mentoring, revitalizing city parks, tending community gardens and assisting with recreation programs.

Oakland is one of only nine educational institutions and agencies in Michigan selected to begin AmeriCorps. Joining Oakland are the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Eastern Michigan University, the American Youth Foundation, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit, the Grand Rapids Service Corps, United Way of Genesee and Lapeer Counties and the United Way of Saginaw County.

Students will be paid \$4.40 an hour, with the expectation of them working 1,000 hours during the coming year. At the conclusion of their 1,000 hours, the students will receive a stipend of \$2,363 that will be applied toward their educational costs. The stipend will be good for both future undergraduate and graduate school work, or can be applied toward paying off a student loan. "This is an excellent way to promote education, and have students working in the community," Esterberg says. In addition, Oakland students will receive academic credit by taking a special course offered in conjunction with the program.

Esterberg urges students to apply by September 16. Community service work will begin October 1. The program is open to all students, regardless of academic program.

Oakland will receive \$274,966 in funding for the first year of the three-year program.

Students interested in the program may call Esterberg at 370-3213.▼



He's sometimes like a fly on the wall, albeit a very big wall, such as this one in Yosemite National Park. You might be surprised to find out who he is. Please turn to page 2 for more on this campus adventurer.

This Contest Ends in a Tie

It was a tie, but nonetheless student Michelle Vilorio won.

Vilorio submitted the winning entry for the university necktie contest. Her submission underwent a few modifications, but her general idea and sketch made the final tie and scarf design possible. Her efforts earned her a \$50 gift certificate to the Bookcenter. The contest was arranged by the Division of Student Affairs.

David Vartanian of Internal Audit took second place and received a \$25 Munch Money card. Katharine Leon of the Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute captured third place and a \$10 Munch Money card. The new ties are expected to be available in the Bookcenter in a few weeks.▼

Board Selects Fischer, Schlaybaugh as Leaders

David T. Fischer and Rex E. Schlaybaugh will lead the university Board of Trustees for the coming year.

Board members elected Fischer to serve as chairperson and Schlaybaugh as vice chairperson. Fischer is president of Suburban Motors, Inc., of Troy. He replaces James A. Sharp, who had served two one-year terms. Fischer has been a board member since 1992. He is active in the auto industry, having served as president of the Detroit Auto Dealers Association. He is chairman emeritus of the North American International Auto Show, and has been a Time Management Quality Dealer award



Fischer

recipient. He has been president of Suburban Motors since 1978.

Schlaybaugh replaces Stephan Sharf, who served two terms as board vice chairperson. Schlaybaugh, an attorney with

Dykema Gossett who specializes in merger and acquisition issues, has been a board member since 1993. He is also active as a board member of Manufacturers Life Insurance Company of Michigan, Bloomfield Hills Bancorp, and the

Bank of Bloomfield Hills. He has also served as a member of the Michigan Department of Commerce's Low-Cost Housing Task Force and as a member and chairperson of the Michigan Cemetery Commission.▼



Schlaybaugh

Scaling the Mountainous Heights is Old Hat to Paul Bissonnette

Vice President Paul Bissonnette got to the top the hard way: by scratching and clawing every inch.

Fortunately, it wasn't as tough getting to the top at work, too, in the Division of Finance and Administration. Bissonnette will surprise many with the outside interests he pursues to

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take his mind off work. In his activities toward "just trying to keep in shape," as he puts it, he:

- Has climbed about a dozen mountains
- Has competed in triathlons and been nationally ranked as a triathlete
- Has fished for marlin in South America
- Continues to enjoy long-distance running daily
- Rides with a bicycling club in Clarkston

Mountain climbing, though, is a hobby he picked up eight years ago while he worked at California State University in Fresno. "Some of the faculty members and I decided we'd go

backpacking in the higher elevations of the Sierras," he says.

By higher elevations, Bissonnette is talking about walking where only airplanes fly around here. The Sierra trails at 12,000 feet above sea level convinced him to take the next logical step. "That interest in backpacking migrated to classes in climbing," he says.

Bissonnette has already done the face and crown of Half Dome at Yosemite National Park. The sheer face is approximately 3,000 feet high. "When you get out on the edge, you wonder why in the world you're doing this," he says, "but that's part of overcoming your fears and the limitations that you think you have." He and his climbing partners still plan to tackle Mt. Ranier, which poses a different challenge: It's virtually all ice.

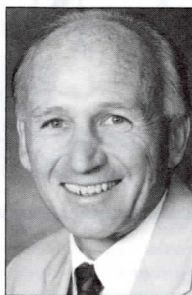
Bissonnette says he's blessed with a good set of genes that make atypical athletic pursuits possible. He started training for triathlons (a 10K run, a 2-mile swim and a 26-mile bike race) when he was 39, and for 12 years was ranked among the top three in his age group in California. He also competed in a national

event after winning a regional sanctioned event.

Bissonnette is often spotted running on campus at noon. "It's a great escape. I'd always run at noon just for the break when things got stressful. It's like starting a new day again afterward after cleansing yourself of all those things that build up inside you."

Bissonnette sees another advantage in athletic events: building team spirit. He formed a wallyball team with staff members in his division last year that played teams from the Office of Computer Services and the Division of Student Affairs.

As for his next athletic interest, he's mulling that over. Bissonnette still keeps in contact with his friends in Fresno who share his exploits. "I haven't figured out what the next great event will be, but we're working on it," he says. "I always have to have a challenge out there on the horizon. It makes life fun." ▼



Bissonnette

Professors, Students Report Scientific Advance in Breast Cancer Research

University researchers have shown that a new two-drug combination shows promise as a chemotherapeutic agent to manage breast cancer.

A paper outlining the potential for the combined use of veteran drug Cisplatin and newcomer Taxol, a Pacific yew plant extract, was published in the journal, *Biochemical Biophysical Research Communications*.

Authors of the paper were Professor R. Craig Taylor, chemistry, graduate student Sandhya Kodali and undergraduates Michael Burkley and Kaushik Nag. The research was carried out in the lab of Virinder Moudgil, professor of biological sciences.

The research found that by combining the two antitumor drugs, breast cancer cell division is disrupted, which inhibits the spread of cancer.

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among women. Nearly 5,000 women died from the disease last year. ▼

Of Distinction ...

Items about professional activities or honors from anyone within the university community may be sent to the Publications Department, 109 NFH. Items run as space permits. Persons with E-mail capabilities are encouraged to send their items to: jacksonj@vela.acs.oakland.edu

Several persons affiliated with the university played a major role in producing the 150th anniversary edition of the *Oakland Press*. **Karen Hermes-Smith**, journalism, edited the stories; **Amy Rauch Bank**, who received her bachelor's degree in journalism, wrote about the growth of the newspaper and Oakland County's boom during the past 25 years; and **Jo DeLorenzo**, a graduate student in history, wrote about the early years of the paper, which is also the subject of her master's thesis.

Sharon Muir, curriculum, instruction and leadership, presented a paper, *A Call for Conflict Resolution in Cyprus*, at the International Social Studies Conference in Nairobi, Kenya. She also addressed Kenyans who are inter-

ested in studying in the United States, talking on The U.S. Higher Education Experience at the *American Cultural Center* in Nairobi.

Katherine Rowley, registrar's office, has received the Outstanding Member of the Year Award from the International Society of Plastics Engineers, Detroit Section. She will be honored September 18 at an SPE dinner. Prior to joining the registrar's staff, Rowley served as program director of business and industrial programs, including the plastics technology program, for Continuing Education.

George Stevens, business administration, presented a paper, *Accreditation Outcome Assessment, Quality Management and New AACSB Standards: An Administrator's Reflections*. He presented the paper at the 22nd conference of the International Business School Computing Association in Baltimore.

Geoff Wawro, history, has returned from Moscow, where he presented a paper to the

Russian Academy of Sciences on *Austria-Hungary's Balkan Aims in World War I*.

Sean Farrell Moran, history, spoke to the Farmington and Farmington Hills Rotary Clubs on *Ireland and the Politics of Redemption*. The discussion included observations about the prospects of a negotiated peace in Northern Ireland.

Stanley Hollingsworth, professor emeritus, music theatre and dance, received a \$500 award from the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers. The ASCAP awards to composers are based on the value of each writer's catalog of original compositions, as well as recent performances of those works in areas not surveyed by ASCAP.

Irwin Schochetman, mathematical sciences, wrote *Solution Approximation in Infinite Horizon Linear Quadratic Control* (with R.L. Smith of the University of Michigan) for the March issue of *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*. He also wrote *Optimal Solution Characterization for Infinite Positive Semi-Definitive Programming* (with P.

Benson, R.L. Smith and J.C. Bean) for *Applied Mathematics Letters*. Schochetman gave an invited talk on *Connective Cooling and Optimal Placement of Electronic Components with Variable Ambient Temperatures* at the 14th IMACS World Congress on Computation and Applied Mathematics at Georgia Tech University.

Ching Ko, mechanical engineering, presented a paper, *Analysis of Developing Laminar Flows in Circular Pipes Using a Higher-Order Finite-Difference Technique*, at the sixth annual Thermal and Fluids Analysis Workshop at the NASA Lewis Research Center. Coauthors were **Douglas Boddy**, a mechanical engineering graduate student, and Herbert Gladden, a research scientist at the Lewis Research Center.

DeWitt Dykes, history, participated in a Chautauqua short course on *Elections: Presidential and Congressional*, held at the University of Dayton. Selected university faculty members from across the country were invited to learn about advances and techniques in election analysis.

The Campus Register

New Faces

Additions to the university staff in recent weeks include the following:

- **John Moldovan** of Livonia, a laboratory research technician II in the Department of Chemistry

Funding Opportunities

The Office of Grants, Contracts and Sponsored Research has relocated to 520 O'Dowd Hall. Stop in to visit the staff and obtain assistance with the external proposal development process. The following funding opportunities include sponsor contact information and submission deadlines. You may contact sponsors directly or request assistance from Information Specialist Pat Beaver at 370-4116.

Department of Education

The department will fund fiscal 1995 projects to improve postsecondary education opportunities. Among the project goals are equal access to higher education and improving retention and graduation; creating programs that prepare students for entering the workforce; improving the campus climate by creating a safe and welcoming environment; structuring institutions in ways that reassert the primacy of teaching and learning; and encouraging faculty development by assessing and rewarding effective teaching. The required preapplication deadline is October 18; final applications are due March 15. For information, call the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education, (202) 708-5750. The CFDA number is 84.116.

FIPSE Proposal Workshop

Those interested in submitting a FIPSE proposal should consider attending a hands-on workshop, led by Preston Forbes, a senior program officer at FIPSE. This workshop will give you an opportunity to learn about the qualities of a successful proposal and then put that learning to work by becoming a mock reviewer for sample FIPSE proposals. This experience will help improve your chances of success. The competitive two-tiered FIPSE program re-

ceives approximately 2,000 preliminary proposals each year and invites an average of only 250 proposals back to compete in the final competition. This workshop is being sponsored by the Association of College and University Offices, Inc. All workshop activities will take place at the Dupont Plaza Hotel in Washington, D.C., on September 23. The workshop is \$175; workshop participants get a discounted rate on overnight accommodations at the Dupont Plaza Hotel. For information, contact ACUO, Inc., at (202) 659-2104.

National Security Agency

The NSA will fund projects to foster foreign language training. Employees of U.S. colleges, universities and nonprofit organizations devoted primarily to promote language learning are eligible to apply for support. Projects have included symposia, development of area studies modules and preparation of monographs. Grants range from \$5,000 to \$500,000. The deadline for application submission is December 15. For information, contact Ellen Walsh, Defense Department, National Security Agency, (301) 688-6524.

The NSA will also make grants to promote the study of areas of mathematics related to cryptology and other areas relevant to NSA's mission. Areas of interest include research in algebra, number theory, discrete mathematics, probability, statistics and cryptology. The project period usually is two years. Funding categories include young investigator grants, which provide summer salary support for two years for promising young investigators without tenure; standard grants, which provide two months of summer salary for principal investigators and a graduate student; senior investigator grants, which provide research support and graduate student support; and conferences and special grants, which provide one-year funding up to \$10,000. The application deadline is October 15; an exception is conference applications which may be submitted at any time. For information, contact Charles Osgood at (301) 688-0400.

National Endowment for the Humanities

The NEH will support college students who research and write projects in the humanities for nine weeks during the summer under the supervision of a humanities scholar. Freshman, sophomore and junior college students actively pursuing an undergraduate degree are eligible to apply for support. College students who plan to receive their bachelor's degree by October 1, 1995, are not eligible to apply for funding. Students receive \$2,000 to conduct their nine-week projects; project advisors receive \$500. The deadline for fiscal year 1995 project applications is November 1. For information, contact Leon Bramson at the NEH, (202) 606-8463.

National Institute of Mental Health

The National Institute of Mental Health is considering issuing a program announcement in fiscal year 1995 to encourage research on organizing, delivering and financing mental health services for the elderly. Areas of interest include service needs, outcomes, cost and financing. Public and private for-profit and nonprofit institutions, including colleges and universities, hospitals, laboratories and state and local governments would be eligible to apply for funding. Funding deadlines would be October 1, February 1 and June 1. Information about mental health services research opportunities can be obtained by contacting the Services Research Branch of the National Institute of Mental Health, (301) 443-3364.

Jobs

Information about job openings is available from the Employee Relations Department, 140 NFH, or by calling the Job Hotline at 370-4500.

- Assistant director, AP-6, Office of Minority Equity
- Secretary I, C-4, Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute
- Counselor and program coordinator, AP-6, Academic Services and General Studies
- Assistant director of finance and operations, AP-11, Department of Residence Halls

- General counsel and secretary to the board of trustees, miscellaneous, Office of General Counsel and Board of Trustees
- Director for governmental and public relations, miscellaneous, Office of the Board of Trustees
- Associate vice president for enrollment management (director of admissions and scholarships), miscellaneous, Division of Academic Affairs
- Director, AP-16, Office of Institutional Research and Assessment
- Medical director, miscellaneous, Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute
- Assistant director of annual giving, miscellaneous, Division of University Relations
- Program manager, marketing and promotion coordinator (part time), AP-5, Continuing Education
- Clerical assistant (part time), casual, Continuing Education
- Industrial hygiene coordinator, AP-7, Department of Risk Management and Contracting



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Quote

"A pleasant illusion is better than a harsh reality."

— Christian Bovee

Bits & Pieces

Learn About Heart Disease

Professor Robert Jarski of the School of Health Sciences will deliver a lecture on *Reversing Heart Disease Without Drugs or Surgery* from 12:10-1 p.m. September 13.

Jarski's lecture is open to everyone. He will discuss his work while he was on sabbatical at the Program for Reversing Heart Disease at the University of California-San Francisco, Preventive Medicine Research Institute. The program will be in Oakland Center Gold Room C, and attendees may bring their lunch.

Keep Up with Sports News

For the latest in news about Oakland athletics, turn to the Pioneer Sports Hotline this season.

The Sports Information Department will update the 370-GO OU (4668) telephone message daily, and shortly after each event concludes. The message will also include schedules and news about the Athletic Department.

See Films on the Cheap

The Student Program Board has arranged for a discount to attend films at the Showcase Cinemas in Auburn Hills.

All students, employees and Alumni Association members with a valid identification card will be admitted for \$3.75 for shows on Sunday through Thursday. Only the person with the Oakland ID will receive the discount.

The SPB has also eliminated its weekly film series this year and made other changes. A new SPB Visual and Performing Arts Committee will bring special monthly films to campus. The fall showings include Pink Floyd's *The Wall* at 9 p.m. September 9 outside O'Dowd Hall (in 201 Dodge Hall if it rains), and *Like Water for Chocolate* on October 21 and *Ju Dou* on November 18, both at 7 p.m. in 201 Dodge Hall.

The committee will also cosponsor the Sensory Perceptions series with the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. The SPB-sponsored performances will be of Theatre Grottesco on September 24 and jazz great James Tatum in February.

Students may also receive a 50 percent discount on performances of *Phantom of the Opera* in Toronto. For information about the SPB programs, stop by 19E Oakland Center.

Sing Your Heart Out

Now's the time to sign up for the Oakland University Community Chorus. The chorus will meet from 7:30-10 p.m. September 13-December 14 in 134 Varner Hall. Tuition is \$33. Call 370-3120 to register.

Refresh Your Academic Skills

Registration is under way for test preparation workshops offered by Continuing Education, and for taking noncredit Master of Public Administration Program classes.

Sessions begin September 10 for the LSAT (October 1 test), the GRE (October 8 test) and the GMAT (October 15 test).

Optional refresher workshops in connection with the GRE and GMAT are available in math and writing.

Professionals who work in public management and public administration may take the MPA courses for no academic credit. Tuition is 80 percent of the graduate rate.

Continuing Education also offers workshops on *Improving Productivity Through Statistical Quality Control* and *Improving Customer Satisfaction Through Process Control*. For full details on any of the classes or workshops, call 370-3120.

A Down-to-Earth Message

The folks who run the computer center servers posted this online message for you to keep in mind:

"Please do not run large, continuously running programs on Vela without getting assistance from admin@oakland.edu. Consider using Saturn, Pluto, or Mars."

Sure, the commute is a killer, but the mileage reimbursement is great.

MORE THAN 500 VISITORS EXPECTED ON CAMPUS

Without Warning, a Writers' Conference Rang Out

It's no mystery who's behind bringing approximately 500 novice and experienced writers to campus.

The 33rd annual Writers' Conference at Oakland University, cosponsored by the Detroit Women Writers and Continuing Education, will be held on campus October 14-15. Valuable tips on all forms of writing will be presented by experts in their fields.

Former *Detroit Monthly* magazine writer Lowell Cauffiel, an award-winning author of

true-crime books and now screenplays, will discuss *The Write Stuff: Entrepreneurial in the Writing World* at the Saturday luncheon. Local professionals joining him on the speaker roster that day for 36 concurrent sessions include *Detroit Monthly* editor John Barron, novelist Loren D. Estelman, *Detroit Free Press* theatre critic Lawrence DeVine, historical novelists and romance writers Julia Grice and Ruth Ryan Langan, poet Naomi Long Madgett and

playwright Arthur Beer, who has also acted in several Meadow Brook Theatre productions.

The popular conference attracts nearly 500 writers. The Friday afternoon sessions offer manuscript critiques with professional writers, either individually or in workshops. The deadline for registering for the manuscript sessions is September 30.

The deadline for general registration is October 6. Fees vary with the sessions selected. Call 370-3120 to request a brochure.▼

Alumni Association Funds 10 Scholarships

Ten Oakland students will find it a bit easier to attend classes during this academic year, thanks to the support of the Alumni Association.

The scholars were selected by the alumni affiliates of each college or school. Recipients are Gary Lotridge, \$1,000, arts and sciences; Scott Grange and Monica Fournier, both \$1,000, Frances C. Amos School of Business Administration Alumni Affiliate Scholarship; Michael Iveson and Anthony Markel, both \$1,000, Thomas A. Yatooma Scholarship of the School of Engineering and Computer Science; Coretta Almon and Gregory Sharp, both \$500, the Black Alumni Affiliate Student Achievement Scholarship; Mareianne Gough, \$300, the School of Nursing Alumni Affiliate/CAP Award; and Michelle Power, \$1,000, the School of Education and Human Services Affiliate Scholarship.▼

Donors at Mardi Gras Will Aid Kresge Library

Tickets are available to this year's Mardi Gras party for the benefit of Kresge Library.

The party begins at 6:30 p.m. September 10 in the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion. Proceeds from the event will be used to purchase books, journals and information in other formats.

Alice Shotwell-Gustafson, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Hubert Distributors, Inc., serves as chairperson of the Mardi Gras. The event is sponsored by the Friends of Kresge Library.

In the past, the annual event was the Glyndebourne Picnic. With the change in theme comes a choice of dinner plans. You may select a prearranged dinner, or choose the option to have your party bring its own meal.

The evening includes music by White Lace, a silent auction and a raffle for a trip to New Orleans, a catered dinner for eight or a pearl necklace. Silent auction items include golf packages, the use of a condominium in Big Sky, Montana, a replica of Meadow Brook Hall and a year's membership in the Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute.

University students will provide valet and table service. Tickets are \$125 per person for the prearranged dinner and \$75 per person if you wish to bring your own meal. For information, call the library at 370-2486.▼

Arts and Craft Show Benefits MB Theatre

More than 100 quality artisans and culinary exhibitors from Michigan and four surrounding states will be at the third annual *Spotlights* juried arts and crafts show on September 24-25.

The show will run from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday in the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion. The Meadow Brook Theatre Guild, a group of community volunteers, sponsors the event to raise funds to provide amenities for actors and technical crews of theatre productions.

The pavilion will be decorated in a Broadway theme, with informal costume modeling by MBT Guild members. Homemade baked goods and a Stage Door Canteen will be available.

Cindy Criar and Brenda Hare, guild chairpersons, have lined up prizes for a raffle. First prize is a two-night stay for two at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. Other prizes include a \$500 gift certificate from Saks Fifth Avenue.

Admission is \$2 and parking is free. For raffle tickets or other information, call 656-9370 or 370-3318.▼



Wholly Mackerville!

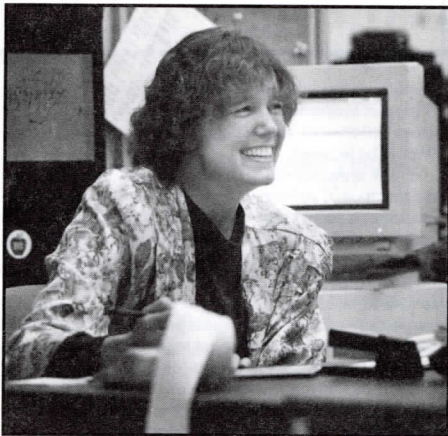
Ace basketball player Gary Russi got the Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament off to a rousing start by swishing the traditional opening shot. Russi, who makes a regular living as vice president for academic affairs, played basketball in college and apparently hasn't lost his deft touch. The tournament itself was another spectacular success, with tens of thousands of players and spectators turning the campus on August 27-28 into a sea of games. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the athletic department.

Linda Barc on Comeback Trail from Diving Injury

It was one of those tragic accidents that change your life and all those around you in an instant.

Happily for Linda Barc, an 11-year clerical employee in the Instructional Technology Center, it was also one that she will make a full recovery from in time. Not everyone who fractures two neck vertebrae can look forward to anything close to that.

Just over a year ago, Barc and her family



Linda Barc has returned to part-time work in the Instructional Technology Center.

were spending a warm day swimming and diving in Lake Orion, as they had numerous times before. On her last dive, Barc hit the lake bed with her head.

"I didn't know anything was wrong until I came up to the surface and realized I couldn't put my feet down," she recalled. Her family rescued her and called for paramedics. Now back at work three days a week, Barc says when

the accident occurred, she didn't have time to be terrified of the consequences.

"It was so busy all around me, with paramedics, that I didn't have time to think about it," she says. "They kept asking me questions and talking to me, so there wasn't any time to be worried."

At Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital, doctors didn't promise Barc a full recovery from her initial neck-down paralysis. Although she fractured the vertebrae, she was extremely fortunate in that she did not sever or nick her spinal cord.

Barc was in the hospital 10 days recovering from initial surgery and stabilization, and then she transferred to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac for two months of rehabilitation. "I was always confident that I would come back and it would work out, but I didn't know how long it would take to come back to Oakland."

From last October until March, she was in a wheelchair and underwent intensive therapy to regain independent movement. "You definitely forget how to walk," she says. "It's like being a 2-year-old and toddling. You have to regain all your strength and balance. Stamina is the thing you lose first and the one to come back last."

Walking becomes taxing after a long distance, but her strength is improving rapidly. "I hope to be back full time in October," Barc says. "The doctors say that by next August, I should have no ill effects at all."

Barc is particularly grateful to her many friends at the university who kept in touch with her through letters and personal visits. She had a special thanks for her supervisor, George Preisinger. "The university itself has been very supportive. George held my job open because he had enough faith that I'd be able to return." Looking around the office, she adds, "It feels good to be back."▼

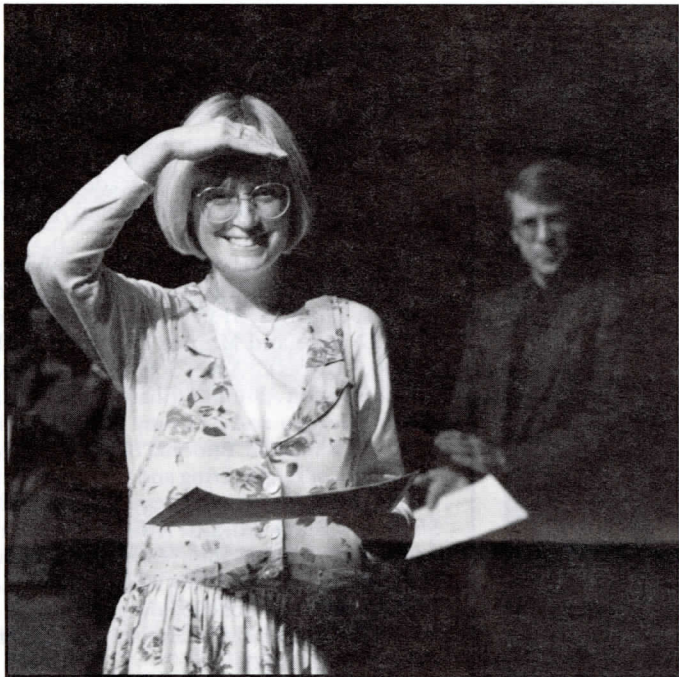
Events

Persons with disabilities who need special assistance to attend any of the events listed should call the sponsoring unit, or the Office of Equal Opportunity at 370-3496.

SEPTEMBER

Meadow Brook Hall tours, 1:30 p.m. daily and from 1-5 p.m. Sundays (last tour begins at 3:45). Admission. Gift Shoppe also open. Call 370-3140.

6-10 — Welcome Week '94. Call 370-2020 for schedules or pick one up from the information tables in the Oakland Center, South Foundation Hall and Dodge Hall on September 6.



Come on Down

Faculty and staff volunteers who helped make the Academic Opportunity Program a success this summer were cited at the Achievement Awards Ceremony on August 18. Jean Ann Miller, assistant director of residence halls, peers past the bright lights in Meadow Brook Theatre for the next recipient. AOP students received awards and recognition for their summer of academic work.

- 7 — CIPO Fall Patio Concert Series with Noventa Mariachi, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., Oakland Center patio. 370-2020.
- 7 — Student Affairs Open House and Ice Cream Social, 1-3 p.m. and 5-6:30, between North and South Foundation Halls.
- 7 — Limpopo Russian Band, 8 p.m., Oakland Center Crockery. Sponsored by Student Program Board.
- 8 — CIPO Fall Patio Concert Series with Robert Jones, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., Oakland Center patio. 370-2020.
- 8 — Freshman Convocation, 4:30 p.m., Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion, followed by 5:30 reception at Sunset Terrace. Everyone welcome.
- 9 — "Opening Day" remarks by President Sandra Packard to the university community, 3 p.m., Oakland Center Crockery. 370-3500.
- 9 — Film, Pink Floyd's *The Wall*, 9 p.m., outside O'Dowd Hall (if rain, then in 201 Dodge Hall). Sponsored by Student Program Board.
- 9 — Meadow Brook Music Festival with Steven Wright. Admission. 645-6666.
- 10 — Saturday Night Disco Bingo, 8 p.m.-midnight, Oakland Center Crockery. Free. Prizes and refreshments. Open to university community only.
- 10 — Mardi Gras to benefit Kresge Library, 6:30 p.m., Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion. Admission. Sponsored by Friends of Kresge Library. 370-2486.
- 12 — 11th annual Oakland University Athletic Department Golf Outing hosted by Eli Zaret and

Denny McLain, noon lunch, 1 p.m. start, 5:30 reception and 6 p.m. dinner. Admission. Sponsored by Athletic Department. 370-3190.

12-16 — Information Week, *What Every OU Student Wants/Needs to Know*, noon, Oakland Center Fireside Lounge. Free. Sponsored by CIPO. 370-2020.

12-16 — Workshops on LUIS, the Kresge Library online catalog, noon-1:30 p.m., 129 Kresge Library (the Red Room). Free. Advance registration preferred. 370-2486.

18 — Fall commencement with speaker Dennis Archer, mayor of Detroit, 2 p.m., Baldwin Pavilion. 370-2190.

24-25 — *Spotlights* juried arts and crafts show, 10-5 Saturday and 11-5 Sunday, Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion. Admission. Sponsored by Meadow Brook Theatre Guild. 656-9370 or 370-3316.

28 — Enigma of Genius Lecture Series with Jane Eberwein, *Emily Dickinson, American Poet*, 7:30-9 p.m., Birmingham Community House. Sponsored by Continuing Education and the College of Arts and Sciences. Admission. 370-3120.

29-October 23 — Play, *Noises Off*, various times, Meadow Brook Theatre. Admission. 370-3300.

OCTOBER

Meadow Brook Hall tours, 1:30 p.m. daily and from 1-5 p.m. Sundays (last tour begins at 3:45). Admission. Gift Shoppe also open. Call 370-3140.

1 — Alumni Weekend. Free. 370-2158.

6 — University Board of Trustees meeting, 3 p.m., Oakland Center.

10-14 — *Environmental Concerns and Solutions*, noon, Oakland Center Fireside Lounge. Free. Sponsored by CIPO. 370-2020.

11 — Ninth annual Business Forum with speaker Richard Notebaert, chairman and chief executive officer of Ameritech, *Breakthrough: The Change for Survival and Success*, noon, Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion. Admission. 370-3286.

12 — Health Careers Job Fair, 3:30-6:30 p.m., Oakland Center Crockery. Free. Sponsored by Department of Placement and Career Services, the School of Health Sciences and the School of Nursing. 370-3213.

13 — Eighth annual Hammerle Lecture with Thomas Banchoff of Brown University, *The Fourth Dimension and Interactive Computer Graphics*, 3:30 p.m., 201 Dodge Hall. Free. 370-2212.

15-16 — 33rd annual Writers' Conference, all day, on campus. Sponsored by Detroit Women Writers and Continuing Education. Admission. Registration deadline is October 6. 370-3120.

17 — Lecture, *The Test of Humanity: Resolving Conflict*, by Terry Waite, 2:30 p.m., Oakland Center Crockery. Admission. Sponsored by Student Life Lecture Board, University Student Congress and Student Program Board. 370-2020.

18 — Oakland Insight Series with Vice President Gary Russi speaking on research at Oakland University, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Center Gold Room C. Free. Beverages provided.

21-23 and 28-30 — Play, *Stags and Hens*, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Varner Studio Theatre. Admission. Sponsored by the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. 370-3103.

25 — Career Day for School of Business Administration and School of Engineering and Computer Science, noon-4 p.m., Oakland Center Crockery. Free. 370-2158.

26 — Enigma of Genius Lecture Series with Carl Barnes, *James McNeill Whistler, American Painter and Etcher*, 7:30-9 p.m., Birmingham Community House. Sponsored by Continuing Education and the College of Arts and Sciences. Admission. 370-3120.

27-November 20 — Play, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, various times, Meadow Brook Theatre. Admission. 370-3300.

31 — American Red Cross blood drive, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Oakland Center Gold Rooms. Free. Sponsored by CIPO. 370-2020.

31-November 4 — *Alcohol Awareness Week*, noon, Oakland Center Fireside Lounge. Free. Sponsored by CIPO. 370-2020.

NOVEMBER

Meadow Brook Hall tours, 1:30 p.m. daily and from 1-5 p.m. Sundays (last tour begins at 3:45). Admission. Gift Shoppe also open. Call 370-3140.

1 — American Red Cross blood drive, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Oakland Center Gold Rooms. Free. Sponsored by CIPO. 370-2020.

1-3 — Meadow Brook Hall Christmas Walk patron dinners, by reservation only. Admission. 370-3140.

4-6 — Play, *Stags and Hens*, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Varner Studio Theatre. Admission. Sponsored by the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. 370-3103.

5 — Saturday Fun for Kids series with storyteller Jackie Torrence, 11 a.m., Meadow Brook Theatre. Admission. 370-3300.

11-13 and 18-20 — Play, *The Collection and Eight Revue Sketches*, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Varner Lab Theatre. Admission. Sponsored by the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. 370-3103.

15 — Oakland Insight Series with David Herman, dean of students, speaking on *Oakland Students: Who, What and Why*, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Center Gold Room C. Free. Beverages provided.

25-December 29 — Play, *A Christmas Carol*, various times, Meadow Brook Theatre. Admission. 370-3300.

27-December 11 — Meadow Brook Hall Christmas Walk, hours vary. Admission. 370-3140.

December

Meadow Brook Hall tours, 1:30 p.m. daily and from 1-5 p.m. Sundays (last tour begins at 3:45). Admission. Gift Shoppe also open. Call 370-3140.

1 — University Board of Trustees meeting, 3 p.m., Oakland Center.

5 — Saturday Fun for Kids series with singing duo Gemini, 11 a.m., Meadow Brook Theatre. Admission. 370-3300.

13 — Oakland Insight Series with Susan Gerrits, acting general counsel, speaking on *Preventive Law: What Managers Need to Know to Stay Out of Trouble*, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Center Gold Room C. Free. Beverages provided.

JANUARY

Meadow Brook Hall tours, 1:30 p.m. daily and from 1-5 p.m. Sundays (last tour begins at 3:45). Admission. Gift Shoppe also open. Call 370-3140.

5-29 — Play, *Benefactors*, various times, Meadow Brook Theatre. Admission. 370-3300.

17 — Oakland Insight Series with Vice President David Disend speaking on *Fund Raising: Why OU Needs it and How We Do It*, noon-1 p.m., room to be announced. Free. Beverages provided.

FEBRUARY

Meadow Brook Hall tours, 1:30 p.m. daily and from



New Sport on Campus

Women's soccer begins play this fall on campus for the first time. Nick O'Shea, a former standout with the Pioneer soccer team, is coaching the women's squad. Although most of the team members have been selected, O'Shea is still interviewing prospective players.

1-5 p.m. Sundays (last tour begins at 3:45). Admission. Gift Shoppe also open. Call 370-3140.

1 — Enigma of Genius Lecture Series with Curt Chipman, *Alan Turing*, 7:30-9 p.m., Birmingham Community House. Sponsored by Continuing Education and the College of Arts and Sciences. Admission. 370-3120.

2 — University Board of Trustees meeting, 3 p.m., Oakland Center.

3-5 and 10-12 — Play, *Eleemosynary*, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Varner Studio Theatre. Admission. Sponsored by the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. 370-3103.

9-March 5 — Play, *I Hate Hamlet*, various times, Meadow Brook Theatre. Admission. 370-3300.

13 — Oakland Insight Series with Vice President Paul Bissonnette speaking on *Oakland University's Master Plan: Building and Maintaining for the Future*, noon-1 p.m., room to be announced. Free. Beverages provided.

25 — Saturday Fun for Kids series with puppeteer/visual artist Marshall Izen, 11 a.m., Meadow Brook Theatre. Admission. 370-3300.

MARCH

Meadow Brook Hall tours, 1:30 p.m. daily and from 1-5 p.m. Sundays (last tour begins at 3:45). Admission. Gift Shoppe also open. Call 370-3140.

8 — Enigma of Genius Lecture Series with James Ozinga, *Karl Marx, German Philosopher*, 7:30-9 p.m., Birmingham Community House. Sponsored by Continuing Education and the College of Arts and Sciences. Admission. 370-3120.

The following *Conflict-of-Interest Policy* is published annually to acquaint employees with its provisions. The policy was approved by the OU Board of Trustees on November 18, 1981.

Conflict-of-Interest Policy

Introduction

As a public trust, Oakland University must strive to insure that all transactions in which it is involved are in the public interest. Toward that end, it is proposed that the Board of Trustees approve the Conflict-of-Interest Policy statement set forth below.

Recommendation

Conflict-of-Interest Policy

I. Preamble

All employees, consultants and members of the Board of Trustees (hereafter "Trustees") of Oakland University serve a public-interest role and must conduct all affairs of the university in a manner consistent with this concept. Decisions are to be made solely to promote the best interests of the university and the public good rather than to serve a personal interest. This policy is designed to foster high ethical standards of performance by insuring that actual or apparent conflict-of-interest situations are avoided.

Nothing in this policy shall be considered to conflict with applicable State laws governing the conduct of public officers and public employees.

Definitions

A. Employee: As used hereafter, the term "employee" means an employee, regardless of classification or rank or a consultant to the university.

B. Financial interest: "Financial interest" means any interest, direct or indirect, in the financial success or failure of an

organization or company with whom the university does business, regardless of how such interest was acquired. A "financial interest" includes owning stocks or bonds; being a partner or employee or creditor, or any other arrangement that results in an interest in or claim upon the assets or income of the company or organization.

Excluded are immaterial interests, that is, interests of such a general or insignificant nature that university transactions with the organization or company will not result in direct benefit to the individual. A "financial interest" includes any interest of the employee, Trustee, or employee or Trustee spouse; and any interest of those who are related to any of the foregoing as parents, children or siblings.

C. Gift: A gift means anything of value except as excluded below. A gift may be in the form of money, goods, entertainment services, price concessions not available to all employees or to the public, use of property or facilities, loans (except loans upon normal terms from a lending institution) or in any other form. Specifically excluded from the term "gift" are nominal advertising items or promotional materials of token value, or food consumed at a business meeting.

III. Statement of Policy

University employees and members of the Board of Trustees (hereafter "Trustees") should not have a personal financial interest in transactions with the university. Recognizing, however, that such interests will be on occasion unavoidable, there should be full disclosure of any such interest in advance of university action, and special approval of the transaction is required as set forth herein to insure that university welfare is the paramount consideration. The specific terms of this policy are to be interpreted in light of the broad objectives set forth in the preamble.

A. No employee or Trustee shall recommend or determine to enter into a transaction on behalf of the university when such transaction involves an organization in which the em-

ployee has a financial interest unless the provisions of Article IV are met in advance. If there is any question about whether this prohibition III A should apply, the provisions of Article IV must be followed.

B. The university shall not enter into any transaction for the purchase of any item or service (other than on employment or consulting contract) with any employee, Trustee, or employee or Trustee spouse or with anyone who is related to any of the foregoing as parent, child, or sibling.

C. Acceptance by an employee or a Trustee of a gift from an individual or organization that engages in commercial transactions with the university is prohibited. If a gift is received, it must be returned unless an acceptable statement is filed with the university president (or the Board of Trustees Finance and Personnel Committee in the case of the president or a Trustee) describing the gift and justifying its retention in terms of the university's best interests.

D. An employee or Trustee must inform the university of any outside interest, consulting service, or other relationship that might interfere with her/his internal duties or raise a question of conflict-of-interest in cases in which an employee's outside relationship substantially interferes with the employee's ability to carry out her/his job responsibilities and/or act in the university's best interests, the employee must either end the outside relationship or sever employment with the university.

E. A Trustee must abstain from voting on any matter when to do so would place or appear to place the Trustee in a conflict of interest situation. The minutes of Board meetings shall record such abstentions.

IV. Exceptions to this Policy

A. No employee or Trustee of the university shall have the authority to authorize, approve, ratify, or confirm any transaction which is an exception to this policy, except as provided below.

B. The president of the university or her designee may approve exceptions to this policy which involve university employees. Any such designation shall be made in writing. Exceptions involving the president or a Trustee may be approved by the Finance and Personnel Committee of the Board of Trustees. Any approved exceptions to this policy must be made in writing and the reasons therefore must be documented.

C. Approval of an exception shall be based upon a finding that the transaction is fair, reasonable, and in the best interests of the university.

V. Role of the Purchasing Department

The Purchasing Department is empowered to delay the processing of any requisition that appears to be in violation of his policy in order to investigate the circumstances surrounding the proposed transaction. If, following investigation, the transaction still appears to be a violation, the matter will be referred to the Vice President for Finance and Administration.

Any purchase order or contract issued by the university is subject to cancellation if any university employee involved has a relationship or history of activity with the vendor that is violative of this policy. All purchase orders and contracts shall contain a clause to this effect.

VI. Policy Discrimination

The university will communicate this policy to Trustees and the campus community at the time of its adoption and at least annually thereafter. The policy shall be included in the university Administrative Policies and Procedures Manual.

Paul Bissonnette, Vice President for Finance and Administration, has been designated to handle employee requests for exceptions to this Policy. Employees who are interested in seeking exception should contact him. In the case of members of the Board of Trustees, written contact should be made with the Board Secretary, who will transmit exception requests to the Finance and Personnel Advisory Committee of the Board.