OAKLAND OU UNIVERSITY

ALUMNI NEWS

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UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT RISES TO 1811

Oakland began its sixth year with an enrollment increase of 21 percent and a total student count of 1811, according to Herb Stoutenburg, Dean of Student Affairs and Registrar. Of the new students 662 are first-time freshmen and 225 are transfers from other colleges.

This year's total represents an increase of 313 students over last fall's registration of 1498.

Oakland has more than tripled in size since it opened in the fall of 1959 and, according to Stoutenburg, estimates are that it will grow another 25 percent to more than 2200 students next year.

Other registration statistics are that there are 928 men and 883 women students. Geographically the students come from:Oakland County--1082;Macomb--237; Wayne--154; 50 other Michigan counties--235; out-of-state--93 from 18 states;foreign students--10.

The addition of Hill House dormitory has made it possible to accommodate more resident students raising the on-campus dwellers to 492. The new six-story Hill House was completed November 3 although students had been living in its lower two stories since fall term began in early September. Residents of floors three to six moved in October 30 after living nearly two months in tripled rooms in the existing dormitories.

WHO ARE ALUMNI?

Oakland University will include on its alumni rolls all graduates of the University,and any student who successfully completed 32 credit hours prior to withdrawing from the University.

An alumnus' class will be designated by the year of his class' graduation whether the graduation occurs in January, April or August.

In order to assure accurate and up-to-date records, all alumni are urged to keep the Alumni Relations Office advised of changes of address, phone numbers, etc. "Our records can only be as current as the information furnished us,"said Mrs.Dorothy Hope, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations.

STUDENTS FETE MRS. WILSON ON 81st BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson helped students toll a bell "borrowed" from Delta Upsilon fraternity at Michigan State University at midnight on her 81st birthday. The bell ringing climaxed a semi-formal birthday party given by the students for the founder.

The bell was liberated from MSU,where it is used to toll football scores, by OU students who posed as students of a high school which had made arrangements to borrow it for their football game. Repainted white and decorated with a gold Oakland seal, it was chained and guarded through-

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out the evening to insure its availability for the birthday ceremony.

Theme of the evening was the Meadow Brook Festival and a model of the pavilion topped a five foot high birthday cake(70"x 65" wide) which was wheeled into the resident cafeteria in mid-evening for presentation to Mrs. Wilson. The cake was the creation of Ed Goodwin while the model atop it was built by Dick Moore, maintenance supervisor. Mrs. Wilson was presented a bouquet of 32 roses: one red for the first 50 years and 31 yellow. A birthday card with a 40 by 60-inch rendition of the pavilion by artist John Marshall (father of OU senior John, Jr.)was presented with the roses.

CROSS COUNTRY IS FIRST INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORT

A schedule of seven cross country meets marks Oakland's entry into intercollegiate sports. Against the 9 teams encountered in the first four meets Oakland's "Pioneers"scored four wins and five losses.

On October 20 Oakland beat Schoolcraft College in its only meet scheduled on home ground. Other opponents to date have been Aquinas and St. Francis (Ind.) at Grand Rapids; Adrian, Albion and Defiance (Ohio) at Adrian;and Windsor,Aquinas, and Schoolcraft at Windsor.

The seven man team coached by Hollie Lepley is made up of six freshmen and one sophomore.Oakland's fastest runner for the 3-mile cross country in the initial four meets was Louis Putnam of Caro.

"Pioneers"will be Oakland's team name for intercollegiate sports.

SEVENTY GRADUATE IN AUGUST

70 students earned bachelors degrees at the close of the spring semester in mid-August. This raised the total number of Oakland graduates to 444.

ALUMNI FUND DRIVE TO START IN '65

An alumni fund drive with a first year goal of $2000 and 100% participation has been planned by the Alumni Council. "The 'charter' drive will be conducted between February 1 and May 31, 1965 and represents another step in Oakland's coming-of-age as a University," said Council President Jim Morrison '63.

Preliminary organization plans were made at a late September Council meeting when Bill Kath was appointed class agent for '63 and Penny Batts for '64. They are currently recruiting fund drive workers so that each worker will contact 10 classmates.

ALUMNI NEWS LETTER

A note of thanks is given to the alumni who prepared the first three issues of the Alumni News Letter: Jim Morrison and Julie Becker Frederick.

Starting with this issue, the Letter will be published seven times per year as a regular part of University Alumni Relations activities. Thus University news sources and alumni records can be used as source material.

CHARTER REUNION PICTURES by Howard Coffin

Top left. Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson greets alumni at the Oakland Encore meeting in the Gold Room. At her left is Lowell Eklund, Associate Dean of Continuing Education and Director of Alumni Relations.

Top right. Mrs. Wilson, founder of Oakland, is one of the alumna too.

Center. An informal outdoor reception on the Varner's lawn preceded dinner. Beautiful weather enhanced the entire day.

Lower left. Alumni dining on the terrace of Meadow Brook Hall are seen through the splash of fountains in the foreground.

Lower right. Three classmates catch up on the news since graduation. Left to right: Jim Morrison, Mike Leppala, Barbara Bates Leppala.

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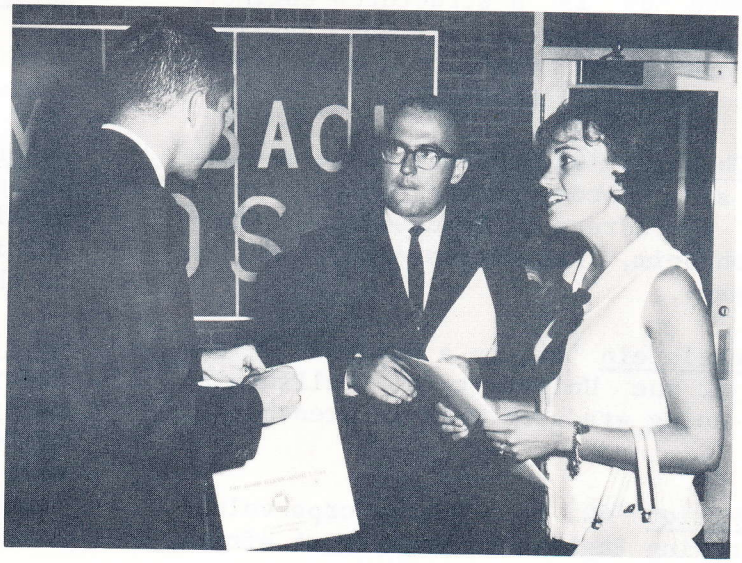

NEWS OF THE ALUMNI

Marjorie Hannah '64 and Dennis Parle '64 left in late summer for the University of Valle in Cali, Colombia where they will study for a year as part of the pairing of Oakland County and the Cali region in an Alliance for Progress program. Miss Hannah will continue studies in her Spanish language major while Parle will study Latin American history, political science and philosophy.

John Berquist '63 is a management trainee at Ford Motor Company's Lincoln-Mercury Division in Denver, Colorado.

2nd Lieutenant Richard Stier '63 is currently holding five positions in the U. S. Marine Corps: Battery Executive(Assistant) Officer; Supply Officer; Embarkation Officer;Ordnance Officer and Motor Transport Officer of a 4.2" Mortar Battery. He'll be in Europe this month, then is slated to be Battalion Motor Transport Officer as of December. Current address is 1206 Davis St., Jacksonville, N.C.

Roberta Lieb '64 is doing graduate work in French at the University of Wisconsin.

Chauncey Smith '63 is Assistant Director of Rayswift Gables, Inc., a residential treatment center for children in Richmond, Mich. He's working on a master's in clinical psychology at Wayne State University.

Dale Secord '63 is a structures engineer at North American Aviation, Los Angeles, Calif. and taking work for a master's in aerospace engineering at UCLA.

Carmen Ohlhaver '64 is studying German literature and history at the University of Munich. Her adress is Evangelishes Studdentenwohnheim, Arcisstrasse 31, Munich 13, Germany.

Mary Finkelstein '64 is a Woodrow Wilson fellow at the University of California, Berkley doing graduate work in French.

Robert Miller '64 is a Peace Corps volunteer teaching English in Togo, West Africa.

Donald Roe '64 is studying in the College of Law, University of Tennessee.

Dang Xich Lan '63 is teaching the Vietnamese language in the Defense Language Institute,West Coast Branch. He lives in Monterey, California.

William Hommel '63 is registrar at the Baltimore, Md. Museum of Art.

Jack Frederick '64 is doing scheduling in production and material control at Pontiac Motors while wife Julie Ann (Becker) '63 is a department manager at J.L. Hudson Co.

Jerry Cunningham '64 is a graduate student of Chinese literature at Yale.

Beverly Donato Miller '63 is teaching French at Birmingham Seaholm High School and starting graduate work at Wayne State.

David Liscomb '64 is pastor of the Epworth Methodist Church,Gambier, Ohio while working for a bachelor of divinity degree at the Methodist Theological School.

Elaine Garwood '63 is a programmer with the Burroughs Corporation and working for a master's at Wayne State.

Sondra Forsyth '64 is a member of the Ballet Repertory Company, New York City.

Thomas Hickman '63 is aprofessional cataloger in the Rush Rhees Library at the University of Rochester where he is doing graduate work.

Roger Williams '63 is a graduate student in nuclear engineering at the University of Michigan. His wife Madelene (McCormick) '63 is a housewife and substitute teacher in the Walled Lake schools.

Charles Brownell '64 is a fellow in the Henry Francis DuPont Winterthur program in early American culture at the University of Delaware. Seven drawings by Brownell were used on the summer continuing education brochure describing a seven lively arts course program at Oakland.