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Public Safety, newspaper resolve dispute

By CATHERINE KAZA
News Editor

The university has agreed to allow *The Oakland Post* direct access to police reports for incidents requested by the newspaper.

"We are looking forward to working with Public Safety and hope problems are solved," said Wendy Wendland, *Post* editor in chief.

The *Post* filed a Freedom of Information Act request with Public Safety Nov. 12 after continually being denied information, according to Wendland.

Robert Bunger, assistant general counsel and freedom of information officer for the university, responded Nov. 20. However, Wendland said there was a stipulation about a fee charge for the documents.

The newspaper requested a fee waiver Nov. 23, after finding from the Michigan Press Association that no newspaper in Michigan paid money for such a request.

Wendland met with Public Safety Director Richard Leonard Nov. 24, who "agreed to not make us pay," as long as copies of reports are limited.

Public Safety is "doing what they have to do under the law," Wendland said.



Impressions The Oakland Post / Jill Nowaczyk

A student, who asked he remain unidentified, carves his name on wet cement next to Vandenberg Hall Nov. 24. The university is spending \$82,000 this year on walkway construction across campus.

Elementary education changes admission to once-a-year for 1988

By CATHERINE KAZA
News Editor

Elementary education is starting a once-a-year admission policy in 1988-89.

The change from twice-a-year admission in fall and winter is "more equitable" for students, said Sharon Muir, chair of teacher education.

Under the present system, 60 students are accepted into the program in winter, 30 in fall. Depending on the number of applicants, average grade points and test scores vary between semesters. By putting all the applicants in one fall pool, the system would be more fair, Muir said.

MORE THAN 900 prospective elementary education majors were recently informed of the change by letters from the advising office.

Funding is a contributing factor in the decision, according to faculty and students. "We're not getting funds," so the program has to limit enrollment, said Joyce Eckart, assistant education professor.

Muir said the recommendation from the curriculum, instruction and leadership department to the school of human and educational services resulted from feedback from students who had applied in fall and were denied winter admission. They don't find out until a few days before registration. That's not enough time to explore alternatives, Muir said.

AN IMMEDIATE CONCERN of students is that if they don't make next fall's admission, they must wait a year to reapply.

"It hurts," said Connie Erdman, a junior pre-major who planned on applying next fall. "They've been tightening it (requirements) so much, it's getting ridiculous."

Muir said that is "not as bad a problem as finding out you don't have classes in January."

This fall, there were 80 eligible applicants and 131 in winter, according to Muir. Since some fall applicants reapplied for winter, eligible applicants this year number 137, she said.

Gerald Pine, dean of SHES said there are about 350 students in the elementary education program.

Muir said 75 students would be admitted in fall, 1988. The program "couldn't handle" 90 students this past year, she said. One-third of the elementary education students take four semesters to complete three semesters of work, Muir said.

THE NUMBER OF eligible applicants has dropped because of stricter admission standards. Muir said that two years ago, 354 elementary education majors were admitted to the program, compared to this year's 137.

She estimated 200 to 225 students would apply next year.

Pine said the once-a-year admission policy is "not an unusual practice" in professional programs. He said he did not anticipate any problems with next year's transition.

To compensate for the expected class crush, extra classes are being offered in spring, Pine said.

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Increased suicide attempts perplex school

Friends important in prevention, counseling director says

WENDY WENDLAND
Editor in chief

Within the last four months 12 of residence halls' 1,600 students have attempted suicide, double last year's total, leaving administrators wondering what's making 1987-88 figures so high.

Dr. Robert Fink, director of counseling at Graham Health Center, admits no one really knows why the numbers are up. Increased publicity, higher entrance requirements for majors and a changing society are all possibilities, he said.

David Herman, dean of students, said he believes the higher rate "usually is not because of any one thing, but a combination of lots of stresses."

THESE STRESSES include relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend), increased academic competition and family troubles.

"A lot of students are working a lot of hours. The financial pressure

is forcing them to work, which crosses with their academic responsibilities, making it harder for the student to succeed," Herman said.

Fink said minority students often face special difficulties.

"(Minority students) may not have a lot of experience dealing with whites. They don't feel comfortable, (and they are) treated with a certain degree of prejudice. (All of this) contributes to a significant kind of stress."

ADMINISTRATORS SAY suicide is serious, and treat it accordingly. When students attempt suicide, they are temporarily suspended and not readmitted until they meet with residence halls administrators and pass a two-part evaluation.

The first part of the evaluation is a psychological test, consisting of a one-hour interview with Fink. The second part of the evaluation is conducted by Herman.

Herman said he considers outside factors, like whether the "irregular

lifestyle" in residence halls is contributing to a person's stress. Before the evaluation is completed, Herman draws up a contract for the student to sign. The contract requires the student to do specific things. Depending on the case, it could be seeking counseling or academic advising.

Herman said the whole evaluation process usually takes about three days, and that nearly everyone who applies for readmission is accepted.

BOTH HERMAN and Fink said no part of the program is geared toward preparing victims for the stares and whispers they often receive once they come back to the dorms. Nor does any part of the program help students and friends who live on a victim's floor know how to behave toward this person once he or she is back.

"It's important and helpful for close friends and roommates to talk before the roommate gets back and help work out their feelings," said Fink. "They often feel frightened, and betrayed."

"When that person comes back to the dorm, it's important for

others to acknowledge that something happened. Just saying 'Glad you're back' or 'How are you' will help get things back to normal and eliminate the stares and whispers."

THE BEST suicide prevention strategy, according to Herman and Fink, is to talk and listen to others. "People often give off clues (when something is wrong), clues reflective in an abrupt change of behavior, mood swings, (like when) a person who goes to class judiciously starts missing," said Herman.

Fink adds, "The best prevention is to be a good friend. If someone's looking down, talk to them, draw them out, have a conversation...People can be down but not be suicidal, and I don't think a layman can distinguish one from the other."

Fink said a 45-50 minute counseling session at the Graham Health Center clinic is available by appointment for \$5. If the fee is too excessive, Fink said arrangements could be made.

Some attempts classified as gestures by officials

By WENDY WENDLAND
Editor in chief

The overall number of suicide attempts for the 1987-88 school year may be 12, but university officials say that number can be divided into two different categories—gestures and attempts.

The difference between the two, according to Jack Wilson, associate vice president for student affairs, is the victim's state of mind when he or she committed the act.

If a person didn't really want to die, that person would be classified as a gesture. Gestures include everything from verbally stating "I'm going to kill myself," to slashing the wrists horizontally instead of vertically, according to Wilson.

Attempts, however, include an honest effort by the individual to die, sometimes resulting with the

individual having to be hospitalized for an extended period of time.

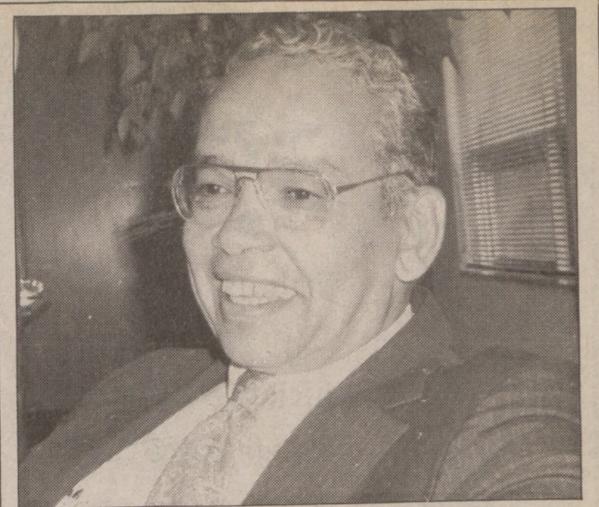
If this year's number of suicide attempts were subdivided, eight would be considered gestures, four attempts, according to David Herman, dean of students. Last year's official number of attempts was six, but if that number was subdivided, four would be gestures and two attempts.

Wilson said the university didn't subdivide anything past 1986-87 because, "We didn't think it was anyone's business."

Wilson contacted *The Post* about the gesture/attempt subdivision after a reporter from channel 4, WDIV-TV, spoke to him last week.

Dr. Evelyn Gauthier, a clinic psychologist at the University of Michigan's counseling services, said U of M differentiates between gestures and attempts.

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The Oakland Post / Catherine Kaza

University trustee Howard Sims ends his eight-year term in 1988.

Trustee discovers architecture early

By CATHERINE KAZA
News Editor

University trustee Howard Sims, who has been an architect for more than two decades and directed \$1 billion of planning, became interested in the field by chance.

Drafting was the only elective available in middle school.

ONCE INTERESTED, though, he was committed.

"I've never contemplated any other profession," he said.

Sims, 54, a Detroit native, has been a trustee since 1980. He began his career in 1951, when he worked in the construction battalion of the Navy.

He considered it his "third alternative," going to college and entering the army the other two.

In the Navy as a draftsman, he designed enlisted men's clubs, and "almost anything that goes on in a Navy base," Sims said.

THE EXPERIENCE was "particularly good for me," Sims said.

In 1955, he left the Navy and went to the University of Michigan, where he received his bachelor's and master's degrees in architecture.

In 1964, he opened up his first office in Ann Arbor. His firm's first projects were private homes, diversifying into school work and clients in "non-traditional areas."

Sims moved the firm to Detroit in 1968, mainly because of "greater opportunity." Sims-Varner & Associates employs 40 people, 30 of whom are professional or technical workers.

Sims said he never considered joining another firm, mainly because opportunities were not available at that time for blacks.

"No black had ever been hired by an architect firm in 1950," he said.

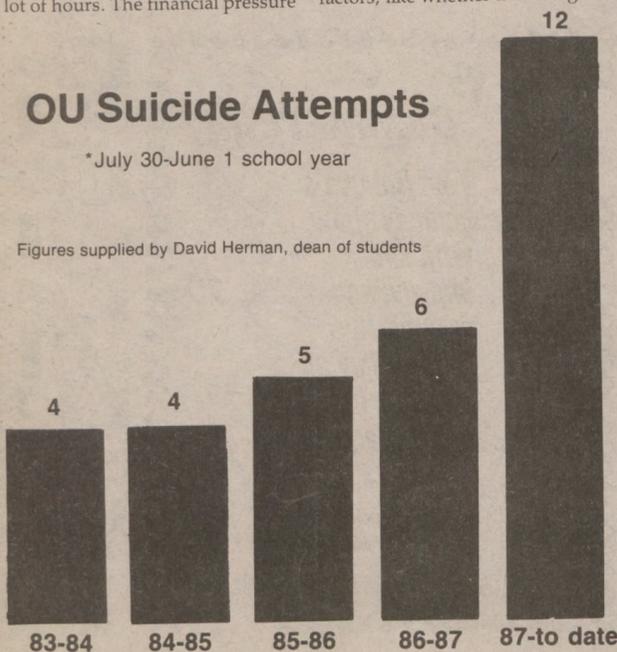
Sims said while racial discrimination may not be as overt as 30 years ago, it is a "pervasive problem" to day. It has "continued all my life," he said.

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OU Suicide Attempts

*July 30-June 1 school year

Figures supplied by David Herman, dean of students



NEWS BRIEFS

Car parts taken

Four wheel covers worth \$50 were stolen from the car of a resident of Hill House between Nov. 21 and 22. The car was parked in reserved parking for head residents in the North lot.

Man says \$500 stolen from room

Clothes, shoes and a wallet with credit cards valued at more than \$500 was stolen from a resident's room in Vandenberg Hall on the morning of Nov. 16. According to Public Safety, someone entered the man's room while he was sleeping.

Turkey mistaken for campus goose

Richard Stamps, associate professor of anthropology, notified Public Safety about the killing of a turkey which was mistakenly identified as a Canada goose.

Stamps said that for the last three years he has provided an "American Thanksgiving" for his group. Stamps said his group was responsible for killing a live turkey on Nov. 13 which they had purchased for dinner. They killed and cleaned the turkey outside of Wilson Hall and roasted it at Hamlin Hall.

No UZI found

Public Safety officers and Administrative Assistant Robert Blizinski suspected that a student had an UZI sub-machine gun in his room in South Hamlin. This was brought to the attention of Suzanne Bante, assistant director of residence halls. On Nov. 22, a search was conducted by Bante and Head Resident Rosemary Stanek with permission of the residents.

No weapon was found in the resident's room. Police report information compiled by Jennifer Byrne.

Sims

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His office is almost never invited to do work in suburban schools, municipal or governmental areas. This is despite the more than two decades of experience his firm has in those areas.

"It's difficult to feel sanguine about it," Sims said. He said he's tried to maintain a "cheerful outlook".

"At this stage, (I've) accepted it as a fact of life on my lifetime," he said.

THE COMPANY has designed the Dero apartments at Wayne State University, as well as McMichael Middle School in Detroit.

The firm's main project right now is a \$140 million expansion of Detroit's Cobo Hall.

While the opportunity is rare, Sims said the company has to "be careful that large projects don't dominate the small ones."

Some of the more unusual project designs that Sims has worked on include a children museum and an underground subway system,

which he said have never gotten past the design stage.

The main reason for this is that "need and funding don't match. OU is typical," Sims said.

Sims' involvement with most projects is not planned. "I've never planned on doing anything," he said. "Public service seems to find me."

That's how he became involved in the Detroit Strategic Planning Project, which studied what was needed in the city. Sims served as co-chair of the education task force. "I think it's a lifetime project," he said.

Sims had experience in education before joining the task force. He has been a university trustee since 1980. At that time, there was "a lot of pressure for the university to change" from the public, employees and students, he said.

A PROJECT like the Oakland Technology Park "offers opportunities for new relationships," he said. "What's happening around Oakland is what other universities would be dying for."

However, the school is "still fundamentally a liberal arts university," Sims said.

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June Coppens, administrative secretary in SHES advising, said "not more than 75 to 100 students" had come in with questions about the change. Most weren't voicing concerns, but wanted "to make sure they understand what's happening," she said.

Pine said there are alternatives for students: reapplying to the program, transferring to another school or entering another program.

Senior Christine Brinkey said, "I know at least five people who are transferring" to another school.

Steven Gulian, senior, said, "I think it's great—for Wayne State (University). They (Oakland) are going to lose a lot of people."

Deborah Syme, a sophomore pre-elementary education major, said she was "kind of shocked" when she heard of the policy change. The department is "discouraging people going into it (the program)," she said.

Professor Eckart said, "It's an emotional situation...we wish it didn't have to be this way."

Gestures

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"A gesture is a self-harming behavior, something a person believes is not lethal. It has to do with the victim's understanding (of what's fatal)."

Gauthier said that of the approximate 40,000 graduate and undergraduate students at Michigan, there's about five to 15 serious attempts and 50 to 150 gestures each semester.

Corrections

Last week's *What's Happening* should have said Vincent Harding will speak today instead of Nov. 23.

In the Nov. 23 issue a page 7 photo incorrectly identified Hilton Woods as Richard Orr.

In the Nov. 23 issue a page 8 story gave an incorrect date for the Bill Laimbeer roast. The correct date is Dec. 6.

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What's Happening

A Christmas Carol: The sixth annual presentation of Charles Dickens' play will begin its four-week run at Meadow Brook Theatre this Thursday.

Call 377-3300 for more information.

Tom DeLuca: This Mainstage act will combine comedy and hypnotism.

The show will begin at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Crockery.

T.G.I.A.O. Dance: The (Thank God It's Almost Over) dance will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday in the Crockery.

Art, Book and Gift Fair: Craft and gift items will be sold from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday in the Oakland Center Crockery and lounges.

Santa Claus will make an appearance.

Pre-Hanukkah Party: The Jewish Student Organization will sponsor the event from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Sunday in the East Crockery.

Activities will include Hanukkah games, Israeli folk-dancing and make-your-own-sundaes.

Call 370-4257, 370-2020 or 443-0424 to make a reservation.

Bowling for Charity: The third annual event will begin at 9 p.m. Friday at Avon Recreation Center.

The event is open to all students and will include three games and prizes.

The cost is \$5.50 at advance sign-up, \$7 at the door. The cost covers shoes, food and drinks.

Sign-up is in the engineering student organization offices in 282 Hannah Hall.

Love in Any Language: The Meadow Brook Estate ensemble will present the show for its annual holiday concerts.

Music will include traditional holiday songs and show tunes from Broadway.

Performances will be at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and at 3 and 8 p.m. Sunday in Varner Recital Hall.

Call 370-3013 for ticket information.

Nutcracker Ballet: The second annual production of this holiday show will be presented by the Pontiac-Oakland Symphony and the Oakland Festival Ballet Company.

Performances will be at Pontiac Central High School at 7:30 p.m. Friday, at 4 p.m. Saturday at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Call 334-6024 for ticket information.

Son of Rock 'N Read: A benefit for the Poetry Resource Center of Michigan will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Old Miami Bar at 3930 Cass near Wayne State University Main Campus.

The program will feature over 40 local poets, performance artists and musicians.

Admission is a \$3 donation at the door. Call 399-6163 for more information.

The Cats, Getting Ready For Christmas: Toronto's Children's Hour Productions will present the show with special effects, furry costumes, audience participation and music.

The show, for ages 3 and older, will be at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday at Detroit Youththeatre.

Call 832-2730 for more information.

A Woman is a Woman: This 1961 French film, directed by Jean-Luc Godard, has been described as the cinema's first and only "neo-realist musical."

The movie involves a stripper who's forced to confront the nature of modern womanhood.

It will show at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Saturday at the Detroit Film Theatre.

Call 832-2730 for more information.

Holiday Cabaret: The musical opens at the Attic Theatre Dec. 11 and runs through Dec. 31.

Tickets range from \$9 to \$21 and are available the day of the performance only, except to subscribers and groups.

Call 875-8284 for more information.



Munchies

The Oakland Post/ Jill Nowaczyk

Rose Goff vends snacks and drinks in the afternoon Monday through Friday inside South Foundation Hall. She works for Marriot Food Service.

Internships develop into popular learning option

By DEBBYE PARKER
Staff Writer

As a buffer between the real world and college, internships are becoming a popular option among students.

Last year, between 130 and 140 Oakland students interned, according to Karen Pelowski, intern coordinator at Placement and Career Services.

Pelowski is an Oakland graduate who did an internship during her last year.

"The program is beneficial because you're relating the course work that you're taking now with your on-the-job training," she said. (That) "makes it the best experience in the world."

Pelowski advised participants to "make the most of the opportunity" by being observant and asking questions. Communication, Journalism and Human Resource and Development programs at Oakland require internships, Pelowski added.

Ann Becker, intern director for journalism and communication majors, said the program has a two-fold purpose. "It allows the students to get experience and ... to decide where they are going."

The first step to entering a pro-

gram is filling out an application at Career and Placement Services (125 Vandenberg) or at the internship office for a particular major. A resume to attach is required; most internship offices will help students compose or revise one.

Each office offers a list of information on potential organizations to choose from. Eventually job interviews are arranged.

The time needed to arrange an internship can range from several days to six months depending on the job, according to Pelowski. Some of the internships pay.

Joyce Esterberg, program manager of Placement and Career Services, said she can place a student in almost any major in an internship program.

She said that participation offers a chance to avoid a costly mistake. Sometimes a student has a rough idea of what a job is like, does an internship and then finds out that the job is not as glamorous as he or she thought it would be.

"Internships can help clarify students' goals before they graduate," Esterberg said.

Both Esterberg and Becker said that sometimes students get job offers from the company they intern for.

They can also meet professionals

in their field who may become good contacts after graduation. Sometimes students' supervisors will be a network for them, introducing them to other people in their field.

Claudia Chenk, a senior, is doing an internship with the Oakland County Juvenile Courts in the In-Home Detention Program. Chenk said the program is worthwhile. "There's no question that the internship program will be the main factor in me getting into grad school."

The Journalism and Communications internships involve working at least 150 hours. Most sponsors want that time spread out over a minimum of 12 weeks.

Becker suggested that those interested in participating in the spring/summer semesters contact her no later than January.

The program at the Careers and Placement Services entails working 1,000 hours, which is about one year of work. Students work about 20 hours a week during the fall/winter semesters and 32 hours a week during the spring/summer semesters.

Students interested in doing an internship can contact Ann Becker at 370-2065 or Joyce Esterberg at 370-3213.

Oakland instructor speaks for 'Crossroads' support program

By NICK CHIAPPETTA
Staff Writer

Crossroads, a program meant to help people deal with the death of a loved one, will feature an Oakland instructor in tonight's session at Crittenton hospital.

William Jones, an associate professor of education in the counseling department, is one of the founders of the program. He will be speaking on the characteristics of grief.

"It is almost like describing a disease," Jones said.

He explained that grief has symptoms. They vary from person to person. Some of them can be emotional. Others are physical like upset stomachs or lack of sleep.

Sometimes people's symptoms effect their behavior. An example is lack of concentration.

Jones, in addition to owning his own counseling clinic in Rochester,

is a consultant for the Michigan Funeral Director's Association, Crittenton hospital and for the Michigan Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Organization.



William Jones

Before *Crossroads*, a more in-depth, six-month program was available through Potere William R Funeral Home in Rochester, *Horizons*. That program also deals with grief counseling, covering a different topic each month.

However, when people begin *Horizons* in the later months, the subject matter does not necessarily meet their needs.

For those dealing with a more recent loss, *Crossroads* was formed about four years ago.

JoAnn Moilanen, a patient representative in Crittenton's social work department, is an instructor at *Crossroads* and helped Jones start the program.

She said Jones' lecture will be the first of three sessions.

Moilanen added that the second session of the program will have a panel of individuals who have experienced the death of a spouse, a parent, or a child.

The last session will not be planned for a large group of people.

"It is a small group for people who really need to talk about their experiences," Moilanen said.

For more information on *Crossroads* call Moilanen at 652-5373

Film shows unlikely trio of fathers

By CHRISTINA FUOCO
Staff Writer

They were the epitome of bachelorhood.

But a special package changes everything for the title characters of *Three Men and a Baby*.

When they are first introduced, Peter (Tom Selleck) is an architect with a collection of "steady girlfriends."

Michael (Steve Guttenberg) is an artist, always trying to get a girl but failing.

And Jack (Ted Danson) is an aspiring actor who loves women and himself.

That is until an ex-producer of Jack's tells him that he is going out of town and asks Jack to receive a package for him.

The package that arrives is a six-month-old named Mary. She is the result of an old romance of Jack's.

When she arrives, however, Jack is out of the country filming a movie, so it is up to Peter and Michael to end their wild social life and take care of Mary.

Their attempts to fill in as fathers make the best, and by far the most touching, scenes in the movie.

In one part, they get to give the baby a bath for the first time after she "doodles." Peter tells Michael that he must wash the mess up. Not too pleased about this job, Michael picks up a turkey baster and promptly squirts water at her while Peter holds her up.

Selleck is great in this movie. He takes on a completely new type of role. Instead of the macho flam-

boyancy he often uses (like in *Magnum P.I.*) he shows a quiet, tender side.

Guttenberg displays the same terrific features shown in past movies like *Cocoon* and *Police Academy*. He portrays the youngest of the three bachelors.

A more annoying aspect of the movie is Danson's performance. His character is conceited, and Danson tends to carry that quality too far in some scenes.

When Jack returns home and calls his mother for help with the baby, he claims "I can't take care of women, I'm used to them taking care of me."

Even though Danson's character could be made more intelligent, like his roommates, the movie is very good.



Courtesy of Robert Solomon and Associates

Tom Selleck and Steve Guttenberg take care of a six-month-old (Lisa/Michelle Blair) in *Three Men and a Baby*.



The Oakland Post/ Ed Hawkinson

Michele Oleska from Gamma Phi Beta tries a gooey sample for the pizza taste test in the O.C. last Tuesday.

The Wild Pizza loses on-campus taste test

By CLAUDETTE ZOLKOWSKI
Staff Writer

Little Caesars Pizza beat Oakland's The Wild Pizza in the Pizza Taste-Off sponsored by Computer Council Tuesday in the Fireside Lounge.

The other pizzas judged were from Oliver's and Nick's.

While master of ceremonies, Michael Hoffmann introduced each pizza, the eleven judges "inhaled" their slices and gave each a number value from one to 10.

A few of the judges didn't agree that Little Caesars deserved to beat the other contestants.

"Little Caesars didn't win. It had no taste," said Tom Hamp, student representative from Turtle Creek Apartments.

"I liked Oliver's the best," said Rich Swoboda of Oakland's swim team.

One judge, Michele Oleska of Gamma Phi Beta, said the perfect

pizza would include the crust from Oliver's, the sauce from The Wild Pizza and the cheese from Little Caesars.

Carolyn Milner described participating in the Taste-Off as the "ultimate experience."

Other judges included Keith Faber, president of University Congress, Marc Rachiele, vice-president of Communications Council and Lisa Marine of Alpha Kappa Psi.

The audience dwindled away as the event went on. One unidentified observer asked, "Are we supposed to be watching them enjoy the pizza, or what?"

After the event, leftovers were donated to the remaining bystanders.

In order to participate in the event, each pizza establishment donated \$50 and a pizza to the Taste-Off.

The winner receives a half page ad in the *Oakland Post*, according to Hoffmann.

'Oakland Post' is not PR tool

Some people believe that the role of *The Post*, or any college newspaper, is to serve as a public relations instrument. These people believe we should promote what every group or individual considers a newsworthy event, shy away from controversial subjects and cover only "happy" stories. We disagree.

Every day our editors are confronted by several individuals with a personal stake in seeing that the event their group is sponsoring appears in the paper. While *The Post* appreciates the notice, we don't appreciate it when people start demanding we run an 18-inch story accompanied by a four column by 10-inch photo. While this may sound absurd, it happens.

But probably the most annoying cases are when people send us information about an item that clearly should be an advertisement, passed off as a news story. Sometimes these "news releases" are even sent to us in classified advertisement form. Again, thanks for the announcement, but please, don't think you're pulling something over us.

PEOPLE NEED TO realize that *The Post* has a limited number of writers to fill a limited amount of space. To cover what every group or person feels is important would be impossible. While we try to be fair, news judgement calls are going to be made. Unfortunately this means some events will be excluded.

The notion that *The Post* should cover only uncontroversial, positive stories is also absurd. The role of a newspaper, as stated under the United States Constitution, is to cover events objectively so that people may be informed.

A PAPER that covers only positive, uncontroversial stories is not doing its job. Take, for instance, this week's front page story on suicide. Some might say *The Post* should not report on such a sensitive topic. They might argue that suicide is a personal matter that's no one's business but the person who attempted it.

We strongly disagree. When 12 students within the last couple months attempt suicide in a residence halls community of 1,600, something's wrong. People have a right to know what's going on. When a student attempts suicide, it affects that person's family, friends, roommate, floor members and to an extent, the entire dorm.

RESIDENCE HALLS is a small community and like any small community, gossip spreads quickly. It's not unusual for nearly everyone in a suicide victim's dorm to know what happened. What a suicide attemptee did causes others to feel uncomfortable around them. These problems are not going to just vanish. It's a newspaper's job to face them and let the community know what's going on so it can do something to solve it.

In our weekly editorial, *The Post* has written about many things that may seem negative. We reported on these issues because they were important. Our job is to expose problems, let people know what's happening. Ideally, by bringing a problem to light people can find out about something they otherwise wouldn't be aware of and hopefully solve it. This is not to say that everything in a paper should be scandal-exposing. *The Post* covers many positive events. Each section is filled with articles that are clearly not negative.

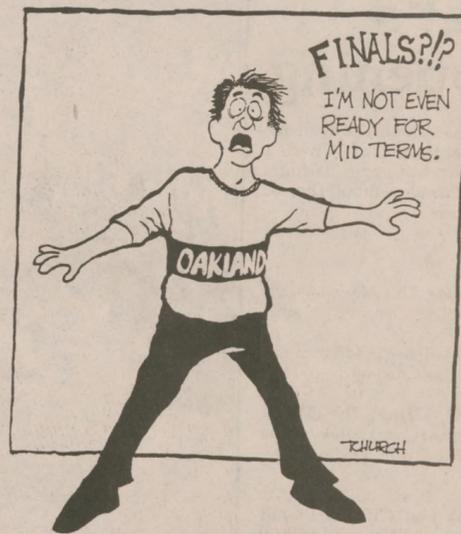
The Post is not a public relations tool. Our job is not to serve as the campus newsletter and it is not to cover only positive, uncontroversial topics. We wish more people would realize this.

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WOUX increases its professionalism

Some believe that getting involved in a student organization does nothing but take away from a student's studies.

This absurd thought suggests that all the students who aren't involved in organizations are magna cum laude scholars.

Student organizations serve a purpose and if done right, they help, rather than hurt, the institution.

At Oakland University many student organizations exist, but few have as much potential to help the university as the campus radio station, WOUX.

Many may disagree partly because of its new music format, and partly because of the style of dress most of the disc jockey's are accustomed to.

But main problem people have with WOUX is that it can not be heard anywhere but the Oakland Center.

Such complaints come as no surprise to Susan Kraft, general manager of WOUX, who contends that, "the biggest problem is that nobody can hear us."

She also said that other problems



Nick Chiappetta

include a lack of continuity among past general managers. Nobody ever picked up where the last one left off. Everyone came in, did what they wanted to do, and left.

Kraft also admitted to a lack of professionalism among the disc jockey's and said that while WOUX already has a training program for them, next semester it will be even stricter and cover a larger area.

One of the things they will be doing is testing every DJ in front of a camera to watch for things like nervous twitches. They will also have constant on-air checks.

Incidents of unprofessionalism can be heard almost weekly. There

was the time that the needle got dragged across a record while the DJ was on the air. For about 30 seconds there was dead silence then all that could be heard was a giggling girl's voice saying, "I didn't do it! I didn't do it!"

Then there was the other time when someone forgot to check the volume before going on the air. The result was the DJ cussing "Holy s---" over the air before turning the volume down.

Kraft said they do try to teach their DJ's how to get out of a situation gracefully and cringed when she was told of the latter incident. She also asked what time of the day that happened suggesting that if she had heard it, there would be hell to pay, and rightly so.

With the new training program though she hopes to really stress professionalism to the DJ's.

Two times in the last seven years, proposals have been drafted to get approval for an FM antenna that would allow WOUX to broadcast off campus. Both times the proposals were never submitted. Kraft said this was done in part to fear of not being ready enough and fear of

goofing up and never getting the chance again.

This year they are going to make another such proposal but unlike other years they have a plan.

President Joseph Champagne recently approved a frequency search for the station, according to Kraft. After that is completed, they will know how many watts to apply for. The third stage will be actually drafting the proposal which should go before the board of trustees in April.

It is about time the station buckles down with a plan of attack for gaining an antenna, something they never have had in the past.

Kraft says she still sees problems getting the antenna; mainly money (the lack of it) and liability. If anything goes wrong with the station, the university will be responsible and university officials don't know if they can handle that.

Everyone complains at Oakland that no one thinks of us as a university. What a better way to project an image as a university than broadcast in the Rochester area. We can tell everyone here that we're a university.

United State's toxic laws not followed

By WILLIAM DRAYTON

The public has become very conscious of the growing risks it faces from exposure to chemicals. Thousands of communities have had to struggle painfully with the problem. Bedford, Massachusetts, for example, learned that 80 percent of its drinking water had been contaminated when a resident tested the water for a paper he was writing. The town restricted water use, banned new connections, and bought water from four neighboring towns — until one of them closed two of its main wells due to contamination with trichlorethylene, a known animal carcinogen. The number of Bedford women dying of cancer had jumped during the years before this accidental discovery.

Individuals cannot protect themselves from chemicals in drinking water, from pesticides in food, from asbestos in schools, from a hundred other exposures. They have to rely on government acting in one of its most traditional roles — that of protector of the



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public health — to perform effectively.

The federal government, however, is failing badly. And it is failing pretty much irrespective of program or department.

- Less than two hundred of the approximately 8,000 active hazardous waste facilities that registered in 1981 have been inspected sufficiently to allow the issuance of final operating permits.
- Since 1980 only 100 pesticides out of the approximately 40,000 products now in use have been reviewed for safety and re-registered.
- Only 3 percent of the over 3,000 new chemicals submitted to EPA

was screened for safety before going into production have had to provide additional information, although 50 percent of the submissions contained no health data whatever, and 80 percent had no chronic disease (e.g., birth defects, cancer) risk information.

As a result, and not unreasonably, businessmen have lost confidence. They no longer believe that government is ensuring

that everyone, most especially including their competitors, will comply.

Lacking such confidence, they have cut their own investment sharply. From 1972 to 1980, the average proportion of business investment devoted to protecting the public was 4.6 percent. In 1982 it fell to 2.7 percent; in 1984 investment fell to only 2.2 percent. If the country had been putting in place the toxic controls the law says it should, investment should have risen sharply, not fallen precipitously in just these years.

The Commerce Department measure of collapsing compliance has been repeatedly confirmed over the past year by a series of direct government studies.

The General Accounting Office (GAO) found that 78 percent of the active hazardous waste facilities were ignoring even the basic requirement to test to see if they are contaminating groundwater.

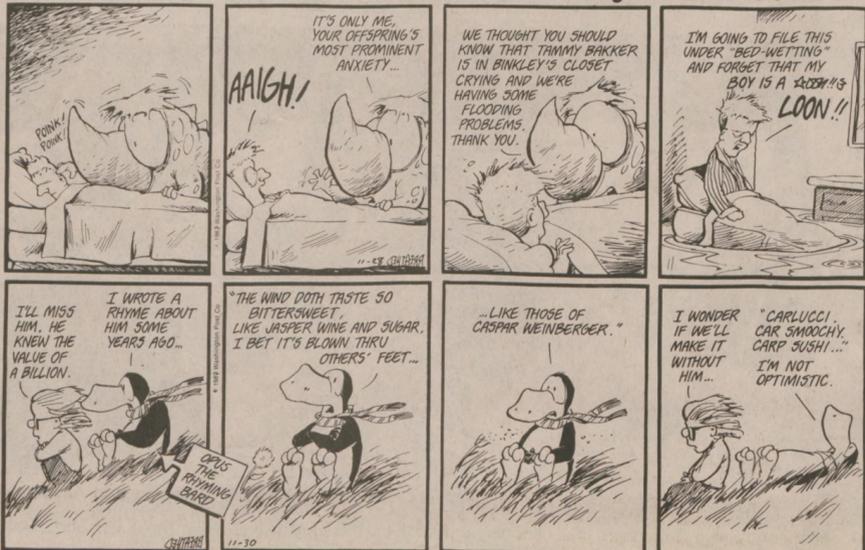
No government would tolerate 80 noncompliance with the tax laws. If there were 80 percent non-compliance with traffic laws, few of us would venture out on the streets. What is at stake here is even more important — our health.

If Americans only knew that they had lost much of the protection against toxics promised them, the polls make clear they wouldn't long accept the loss.

William Drayton is a management consultant and lawyer. He was formerly EPA Assistant Administrator for Planning and Management.

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



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Colleges continue recovery from stock market crash

(CPS)—College money managers say they're still trying to dig out from under the debris of the precipitous "Black Monday" stock market crash of Oct. 19, but some students seemed to have done pretty well, at least on paper.

In an investment game designed to teach students how to manage stock holdings, for example, Babson College (In Massachusetts) students' "portfolio" dropped "only" 5.7 percent in Oct., while the real stock market plunged nearly 30 percent, Professor Bob Kleiman reported.

Business departments often let their students manage real or imagined stock portfolios, learning to "buy" or "sell" stocks to maximize "profits."

Inevitably, some of the student investment clubs did worse than others in the crash—during which The Dow Jones Industrial Averages fell a record 508 points in one day—and in the wild swings of the market in subsequent weeks.

At the University of Nebraska, for instance, business students lost a real \$43,000 from a portfolio worth \$300,000 before Black Monday.

Yale's student investment club

lost about \$100,000 in the crash.

And campus business managers didn't do any better.

Many colleges own portfolios that include stock holdings, and use the profits to pay for capital improvements and to provide for student financial aid.

Most campus portfolio managers, however, noted colleges typically are conservative investors, and that the crash consequently may not hurt them in the long run.

The University of Pennsylvania lost \$40-50 million during the crash, a 15 percent drop. The loss could have been worse, but the university—sensing the stock market would go through a "corrective phase"—had sold a significant percentage of its stock holdings prior to Black Monday.

Penn State lost less than 10 percent of its \$130 million endowment, and officials there also say the pinch should not affect daily operations. "We will still be able to fund all programs," said senior vice president for financial operations Steve Garban.

The University of Southern California's \$160 million stock holdings dropped 13 percent, or

\$20.8 million, on Black Monday.

Duke postponed issuing tax-exempt bonds that would help finance several capital improvement programs, figuring the bonds would be hard to sell now. "The volatile stock market could scare bond investors," said Mark Reeder, and E.F. Hutton broker in Durham.

College fundraisers say the market's violent swings have diminished prospects for year-end giving and capital improvement campaigns. The University of Arizona, for example, has delayed construction of football stadium skyboxes because the shaky market has raised concerns about financing the project.

Students interested in working as brokers will face stiff competition for jobs and may have to work in related fields until the stock market stabilizes, a University of Iowa job placement officer said. "Until the stock market recoups, the hiring that investment firms do will be limited and highly selective," Nancy Noth said. "It should make students take a strong look at what they're doing right now."



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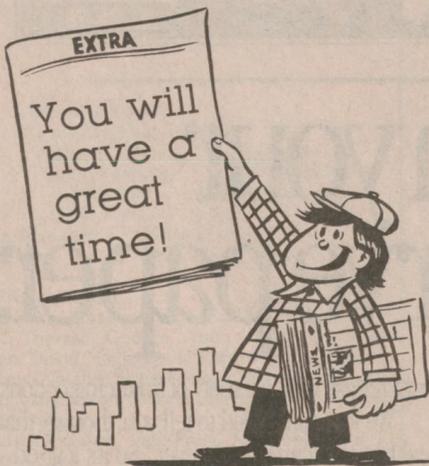
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Pioneers Bryce Phillips (10), Wallace Davis (33), Rickey Miller (30) and Scott Bittinger listen to Coach Greg Kampe's instructions early last week

at practice. The team won two games last week; 150-76 against Northeastern Illinois and 143-128 against NMU in triple overtime.

Pioneer cagers massacre two

By DAVID HOGG
Sports Writer

Before the season began, men's basketball Coach Greg Kampe said his team would have more offense this year. He wasn't kidding.

The Pioneers opened up their season with two record-setting performances, both victories.

Oakland plucked the visiting Golden Eagles of Northeastern Illinois University Nov. 21, 150-76.

Scott Bittinger led the way for the Pioneers with 27 points. Four other Pioneers broke the 20-point barrier as well. John Henderson had 26, Andre Bond 25, Pete Schihl and Rickey Miller each had 22.

Brian Gregory added eight points and 11 assists, and Schihl led the team with 14 rebounds.

Oakland jumped out fast, using a full-court press and scoring the game's first 10 points.

Ten minutes into the game, led by 14 Bittinger points, OU led 38-16. The Pioneers continued to pour it on, taking a 75-41 lead by halftime.

Oakland jumped the demoralized Eagles again to begin the second half, starting with a 20-4 burst that put them up by 50 points. Oakland continued to dominate the game. With 4:32 left and a 71 point lead, Rickey Miller made a three-point basket to give Oakland 137 points

and a new school record for most points scored in a game. The old record of 135 points was set back in the dark ages, 1972 against Albion College.

Even then, the Pioneers didn't let up. Finally, as the horn sounded to end the game, Schihl made a three pointer to give Oakland an even 150 points.

The game's victory margin, 74 points, was 19 better than the old mark from the same 1972 Albion game.

Remarkably, Kampe was not completely happy with his offense. "We missed a lot of shots," he said. "We just took so many that everybody remembers all the ones that went in."

Kampe said he expects high scores from his cagers. "Everybody on the team has the green light to shoot, so we put a lot of shots up there."

Point guard Brian Gregory agreed that the team could play better. "I played OK. The team played OK. We both can play better," he said.

The Pioneers traveled to Marquette last Wednesday to face the Northern Michigan University Wildcats and faced them for quite a bit longer than they expected to.

After three overtime periods, the Pioneers finally pulled out a 143-128 victory.

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Tankers lose by .65 seconds to Michigan State

By SUSAN STOKES
Sports Writer

Usually a second here or a second there won't make much difference in a swim meet, but .65 seconds made all the difference in the tankers' 51-62 loss to Michigan State University Nov. 20.

The two teams were tied going into the last heat, a 400-yard freestyle relay. Taking first would have meant an ego-boosting win for Oakland over a division I school. But it wasn't meant to be. Pioneers Hilton Woods, Dave Rogowski, Jeff Kovach and Mark VanderMey came .65 seconds short of beating State, losing the meet.

Placing first in six of 13 events, Oakland tankers swam nationally qualifying times in five events; the 400-yard medley relay, 50-yard freestyle, 100-yard freestyle, 200-yard individual medley and 400 freestyle relay.

Doug Cleland, Mike Nation, VanderMey and Kovach took first place in the 400 medley relay in 3:30.16, qualifying them for the national meet in March.

Freshman Hilton Woods set an MSU pool record, finishing first in the 50 freestyle in 20.71. Woods qualified for the national meet in two other events: the 100 freestyle and the 400 freestyle relay. In a

close race, Woods beat Spartan Frank Deeter by .06 seconds for first place in the 100 freestyle.

VanderMey also qualified nationally in three events. Swimming in both relays and in the 200 individual medley, VanderMey swam away with two first-place finishes.

Following its first loss of the season, the team's record stands at 3-1.

With MSU behind them, Hovland must prepare his team for the Eastern Michigan University Invitational Dec. 3 and 4. Oakland will face Big-Ten champion University of Michigan and EMU, the Midwestern Athletic Conference champion.

Last year at the same meet the Pioneers finished third behind Michigan and EMU. Also participating will be Kenyon College, the reigning division III national champion.

"It will be very difficult to beat (Michigan)," Hovland said. "Michigan is one of the top schools in the country. Last year they finished number one in the Big Ten and sixth in the nation."

Hovland said he anticipates a good meet and expects that the number two spot will be either Oakland's or EMU's. "It really doesn't matter how we finish," he said. "My primary goal is for the

team to achieve the times they need to qualify for the NCAA division II meet."

To prepare for the meet the team is going through the process of "shaving." As explained by Nation, "(Shaving) is a period of rest, relaxation and shaving your body."

It's a technique used by the tankers to streamline their bodies. Hovland said that shaving "makes you cut through the water with more ease, increases your sensation and reduces resistance and drag."

Hovland's swimmers usually "defuzz" twice a season, once in December and again in March for the national meet.

Woods and VanderMey did not take the Thanksgiving weekend off but continued their training instead. They'll be participating in the U.S. Open Dec. 20-22. The Open is an international meet held in Orlando, Fla.

Here are the results from the Michigan State meet:

400-yard medley relay: First place, Cleland, VanderMey, Nation and Kovach, 3:30.16.

1,000-yard freestyle: Fourth, Jeff Cooper, 9:58.60. Fifth, Kirk Radatz, 10:08.32. Sixth, Joshua Weston, 10:20.79.

200-yard freestyle: Second, Erik Strom, 1:44.16. Fourth, Scott Harris, 1:45.77. Sixth, Mike Tumey, 1:50.06.

50-yard freestyle: First, Woods, 20.71. Third, Rogowski, 21.92. Fourth, Steve Ramsey, 23.12.

200-yard individual medley: First, VanderMey, 1:55.34. Third, Eric Dresbach, 1:58.62. Fourth, Dave Nack, 2:00.80.

One-meter diving: Third, Mark Duff, 156.70 points. Fourth, Mark Knapp, 139.80 points. Fifth, Buck Smith, 128.95 points.

200-yard butterfly: First, Nation, 1:55.53. Second, Kovach, 1:57.04. Fourth, Tumey, 1:59.72.

100-yard freestyle: First, Woods, 46.20. Fourth, Rogowski, 48.03. Fifth, Joel Akers, 49.31.

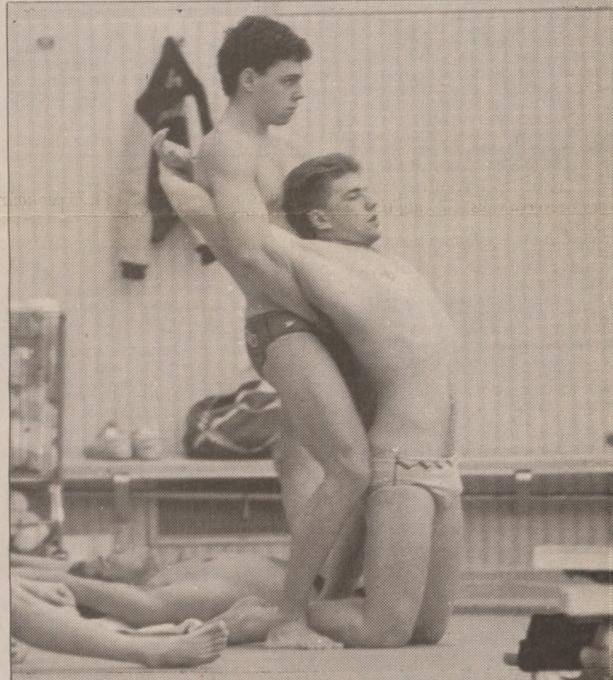
200-yard backstroke: Second, Nack, 1:59.09. Third, Cleland, 2:01.09. Fourth, Richard Orr, 2:05.39.

500-yard freestyle: Second, Strom, 4:46.30. Third, Harris, 4:47.74. Sixth, Cooper, 4:50.80.

Three-meter diving: First, Duff, 165.60 points. Fifth, Knapp, 136.70

200-yard breaststroke: Third, Rob Carmen, 2:12.55. Fifth, Jeff Kuhn, 2:15.89.

400-yard freestyle relay: Second, Woods, Rogowski, Kovach and VanderMey, 3:06.90. Third, Strom, Cleland, Orr and Akers, 3:23.74.



Tankers Jim Surowiec (standing) and Mike Tumey performing some stretching exercises last week.

Burley captures 1st place in epee

By RALPH ECHTINAW
Sports Editor

The Fencing Society's Joe Burley finished first among 12 epee fencers at the University of Detroit C-and-under Tournament Nov. 22.

Unfortunately though, Burley couldn't earn his D-rating because there weren't enough epee fencers in the tournament.

The United States Fencing Association rates American fencers from A to E, A being the best. Burley is an E.

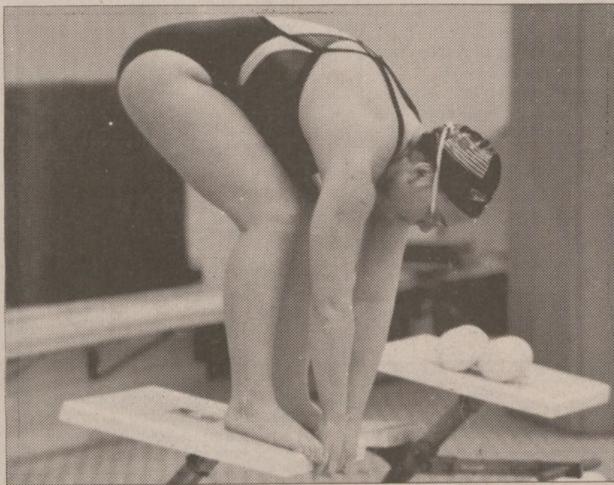
Fencers fight with one of three weapons; foil, epee (ep-ay) or sabre.

Burley was 8-2 for the tournament. He attributed his first-place finish to the absence of Canadian fencer Greg Rubidge. "He wasn't there. That's why I finished first." "It's nice to get a first place," said Burley. "I was starting to wonder if I was jinxed or something." Burley has finished second in three tournaments this year.

He's beat several A-rated fencers since the start of September. "Joe's confidence in his fencing has increased dramatically," said Coach Paul Franklin. "He goes into a bout knowing he's going to win. (He's) a force in epee in the area."

Also fencing epee for Oakland were Franklin, Assistant Coach

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Shelly Pilarski was on the team that took first place in the 200-yard freestyle relay at the Miami Invitational Nov. 20 and 21.

OU records fall to tankers in third-place Miami finish

By KATIE CALLAHAN
Sports Writer

The women's swim team qualified four swimmers and five relay teams for the nationals and broke four OU records at the Miami Invitational Nov. 20 and 21 at the University of Miami (Ohio).

Oakland placed third, edged out of second by Clarion University, the

NCAA division II champions. Miami took the top spot and Eastern Michigan University, a division I school, finished fourth.

Senior Kristi Spicer swam on the 200 and 400-yard medley relay teams. "I had hoped to qualify in my individual events, but I didn't," she said.

Spicer hopes to make national

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Three Michigan men skate for 1988 U.S. Olympic hockey team

By TIM DYKE and CHRISTINE FUOCO
Sports Writers

On their second of four visits to Joe Louis Arena, as part of their training for the 1988 Winter Olympics, three Michigan players enjoyed a homecoming Nov. 20 when the Olympic Hockey team tied Michigan State University 3-3.

In 1980 when United States Olympic Hockey took the gold at Lake Placid, teen-agers Brad Jones, Kevin Miller and Jeff Norton sat in front of television sets in awe, hoping someday to get a chance to represent their country while playing a game they love.

"I think all through the U.S., all the kids watching it started developing their skills," said Miller.

Eight years later, all three have proved themselves on the college level. They've all been drafted by National Hockey League teams but have postponed playing professionally. The three are trying to earn berths on the 1988 Olympic squad that will compete in Calgary.

The 1980 team's performance at Lake Placid put pressure on the 1984 team to repeat. Norton feels that the 1988 squad will not encounter those ghosts.

"I don't think we should feel the

pressure from '80 or '84," said Norton. "They were whole different people and whole different teams and we shouldn't feel pressure from them."

All three have played well during the first half of Team USA's training schedule. Miller and Jones are the team's second and fourth highest point leaders respectively. Norton has supplied steady defensive play on the blue line while ranking third in scoring among the team's defensemen.

Although the three have played well, Coach Dave Peterson made it clear that with two roster cuts remaining, no one has a guaranteed spot on the roster.

"Well, they're still on the team," said Peterson of Miller, Jones and Norton. "We are at 25 players and take 23. I won't make the decision until midnight at Calgary."

All three players have Michigan ties. Jones grew up in Sterling Heights and had a standout career at the University of Michigan. Last season, his senior year, he made the All-Central Collegiate Hockey Association team and was named second-team All-American.

He finished his career at Michigan with 89 goals and has continued in the same vein with the Olympic squad. He ranked fourth

in points at last summer's Olympic Festival, grabbing 18 goals and 14 assists in 30 games.

"It's worth all the hard work just to be able to pull on the USA jersey," said Jones, a Winnipeg Jets draftee.

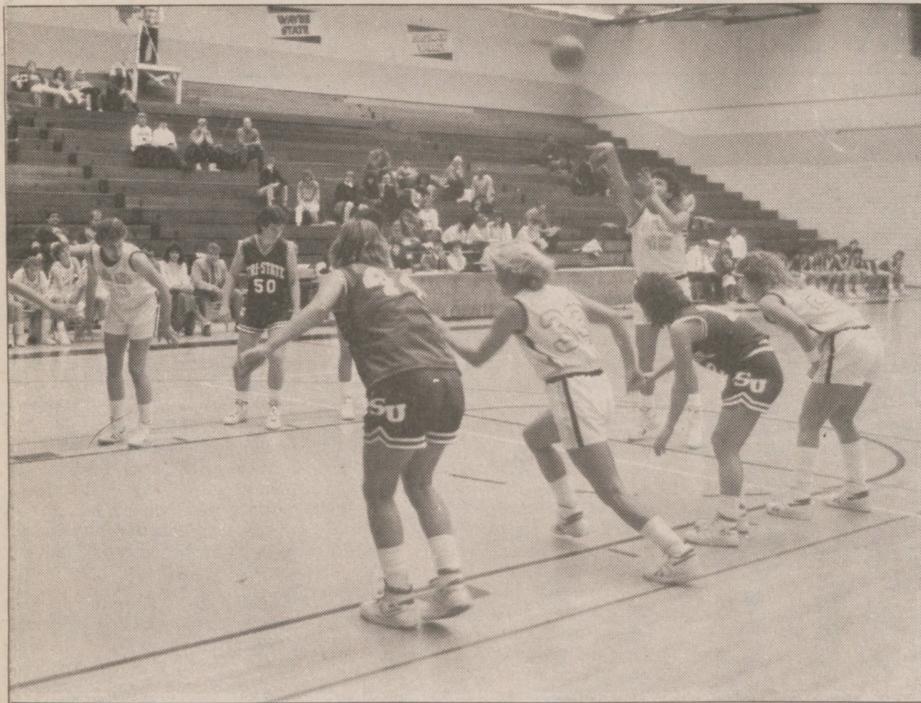
Kevin Miller is the sixth member of his family to play hockey for MSU. The latest three, Kevin, Kelly and Kip have followed each other to fame under MSU Coach Ron Mason.

Kevin has a year of eligibility remaining and has been drafted by the New York Rangers but will probably join brother Kip back at MSU next season.

Kelly, who played with Kevin during his senior year, currently skates with the NHL's Washington Capitals.

Jeff Norton grew up in Acton, Mass. and came west to attend Michigan. In three years there he played in 106 games, scoring 37 goals. He was a member of the 1987 U.S. Select team that played at the Pravada Cup tournament in Leningrad, and has made three Olympic Festival appearances.

"It's always been a dream, since the '80 team won the gold medal," said Norton, a New York Islanders draftee. "Now it's part of reality that I might get the chance."



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Debbie Delie takes a free throw in the Pioneers' 79-65 win over Tri State Nov. 20.

Sigma Alpha Sigma wallops 'Those Guys,' 8 to 2 victory extends winning streak to 3

By MARC MORANIEC
Sports Writer

The Sigma Alpha Sigma intramural floor hockey team ran its record to 3-0, thumping Those Guys 8-2 Nov. 24.

Sigma forward Kurt Parry didn't waste any time as he scored the game's first goal just a minute into the game. Parry took a centering pass from Darin Morissette and easily beat Those Guys goalie, making it 1-0. Morissette then scored the first of his two goals giving Sigma a 2-0 lead after one period.

The second period was more of the same as Sigma players Rick Moog, Eric Crispel and Morissette each slipped the ball into Those Guys' net.

Tom Payne scored one of his two goals in the second period for Those Guys, who's record fell to 0-3 with the loss.

With the game out of reach, the third period served as a good time to run up the score for Sigma. Moog led the attack with two goals in the final frame, earning a hat trick for the night.

Sigma uses two full squads of players during games and frequently makes changes to keep players rested. Parry, who got credit for the game winning goal, likes his team's approach, "This is fun, but it's tiring," he said. "I haven't played in 12 years."

The Sigmas usually draw more fans to their games than any team in their division. Thirty people

showed up last Tuesday. One of their fans, Anna Taiariol, likes the Sigmas' chances this year. "I think they just might do it this year because they play as a team. There isn't one big superstar, just a bunch of very good athletes who are team players," she said.

Sigma Alpha Sigma faces Aniblit next Tuesday.

The rest of last week's scores follow:

Cellar Dwellers-2, Grogery II-1
Chiefs-8, Emerald Warriors-1
Gamecocks-5, Delta Force-0
Outlaws-6, Artesians-1
Penetrators-7, Aniblit-1
Styme Boys-5, His Boy Elroy-2
Grogery I-3, The Graduates-0

Lady Pioneers on rampage, Trojan women feel OU muscle

By MARK SPEZIA
Sports Writer

The Pioneer women's basketball team continued its impressive play last week, raising its record to 3-0 with victories over Tri State University and Northern Michigan University.

Using inside scoring and a trap game, the Pioneers (taking the part of the Greeks) beat the Tri State Women of Troy 79-65 (just as Achilles and his comrades did in Homer) to capture the Oakland Tip-Off Tournament Nov. 21.

Coach Bob Taylor said the team felt good after the preceding day's 96-61 trouncing of Siena Heights College in the tournament's opening round.

He and senior co-captain Sarah Knuth agreed that the Tri State game would be a closer and better test of the Pioneer's skills.

Oakland exploded out of the gate, taking a 47-31 halftime lead. Taylor said the team played well defensively and "did a lot of little things right," such as getting the loose ball, passing well, and forcing the ball inside.

Taylor said that Tri State proved a better test for his team. Ergo, the game brought some Pioneer weaknesses to light. He said the team needs to work on its half-court game, both offensively and defensively, and concentrate on not let-

ting up once they have the lead.

Although the Women of Troy never got within 10 points of the Pioneers, they outscored Oakland 34-32 in the second half. The Pioneers hit only 11 of 37 shots from the floor (.297), compared to 19 of 35 (.542) in the first half.

However, the team was sharper from the free-throw line, going 10 for 12 in the second half, after sinking eight charity tosses in 12 first-half attempts.

Center Debbie Delie, one of three Pioneers to finish in double figures with 14 points, said the team learned it can never afford to coast with a big lead.

Kim Klein-Green led the Pioneer attack with 16 points and four steals. Amy Atkinson, who said the game showed just how deep the Pioneer bench is, chipped in 10 points, including four of four from the free-throw line.

Knuth, while scoring a below-average (for her) nine points, was the team's leading rebounder with nine boards, and drew praise from Taylor for her solid defense.

Ann Serra led in assists with six, and Dawn Lichty came off the bench to contribute six points and five assists in 14 minutes.

Freshman Janice Kosman, who Taylor called his best newcomer, finished with seven points.

Jill Reed had 19 points in a losing

cause for the trojan women. It is not known if the Women of Troy have a player named Helen on the roster.

Taylor said the Pioneers showed desire and are starting to play together well.

Unlike the Tri-State game, the Pioneers jumped ahead of NMU Wednesday in Marquette from the start, cruising to an easy 87-66 victory. Oakland's lead at the half was 41-32, and a 14 point run early in the second half put the game out of reach for the NMU Wildcats. Taylor said everyone played well and had "all cylinders popping."

Knuth flexed her offensive muscle, leading the team with 17 points. Klein-Green was next with 13 points. Leah Fenwick finished with 10 points and led the team in rebounds.

The Pioneers were also helped by Lichty who collected 10 points to go with six assists and five steals. Amy Atkinson (who predicted an OU victory before the game) and Celeste Sartor, once again provided spark from the bench, combining for eight points.

Last Friday and Saturday the Pioneers played in the Grand Rapids Press Tournament. Tuesday they take on the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and return home Saturday for a contest with the Indiana Institute of Technology Warriors.

Sectional fencing championships will be held at Oakland next year

The 1988 Great Lakes Sectional Fencing Championships will be held here in the Gustavson-Shotwell Pavillion May 14 and 15 next year.

The best fencers from Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and West Virginia will fence for the regional championship.

Sponsored by the United States Fencing Association (USFA), the competition will be hosted by the

Michigan Division of the USFA and the Fencing Society of Oakland University.

The Great Lakes section comprises eight divisions which rotate the competition hosting duties. The last time it was held in Michigan was 1980.

The Great Lakes section is home for former NCAA championship clubs such as Wayne State University, Notre Dame University, Ohio State University, the University of

Indiana, Case Western Reserve University and Michigan State University.

There are many smaller clubs in the region as well which produce hundreds of fencers.

The USFA is the governing body of fencing in the United States. It oversees the national championships and establishes the selection process for the U.S. Olympic fencing team.

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Bittering again led Oakland, scoring 44 points, 22 of them in overtime.

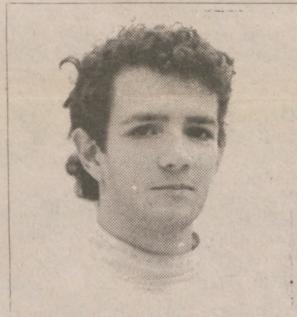
Also playing a big part was Gregory with 18 points and a record-setting 25 assists. Henderson had 24 points, while Bond, Schihl and Miller each added 16.

Gregory's 25 assists broke the old record of 17, set by Larry Pierce in 1973. The combined total of 271 points was also a record, breaking the old mark of 237 (Olivet 119, OU

118) from 1971.

This was Oakland's second triple-overtime game in its history. The other was a 104-103 loss in 1981 to St. Joseph's.

This week Oakland takes the road for three games. Monday they play the Eastern Michigan University Hurons. Thursday they travel to Central Michigan University, and Saturday to Defiance College. Their next home game is Dec. 28 against Aquinas College.



The Oakland Post / Jill Nowaczyk
Oakland fencer Joe Burley took first place in epee at the University of Detroit C-and-under tournament.

Fencing

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Tom Decker, Mark Ament and Lance Foster. Burley was the only one among them to get past the first round.

Franklin said he usually fences foil but couldn't make it to the tournament in time for the foil competition. "It was my first epee competition in two years. I finished horribly. I didn't win a bout," he said.

Ament did not perform any better, going 0 for 5. But he has been

fencing for just a month.

Foster, also new to the sport, won just one bout, and C-rated Decker failed to advance to the second round as well.

E-rated Todd Dressell, fencing sabre, was cursed by a couple of bad judges. Fellow club member "Spike" Cameron said "They didn't know what to look for. They admitted they didn't know how to judge." Dressell was knocked out

in the second round and went 4-6 for the day.

"That comes with sabre though," said Franklin. For the most part, the bad calls equal the good calls. Unlike epee and foil, sabre bouts are not scored electrically. Spotting hits is entirely up to the judges.

Mark Rudnicki, fencing foil, made the third round before succumbing. "I made it as far as I thought I would," he said. He's in his third year of fencing.

Tankers

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cuts at the EMU meet next month and will stay on tapers (a period of less intense and less frequent workouts) until then.

Spicer missed her cut in the 100-yard backstroke by only four-tenths of a second. She explained that her starts at the invitational weren't good. "Miami's pool doesn't have gutters by the starting blocks so there's no place to put your feet for leverage when pushing off."

Senior Nancy Schermer qualified nationally in four events and swam on three of the relay teams. In the 500-yard freestyle she set a new meet record. In the 100-yard freestyle she beat her own OU record of 52.23 with a 52.14.

"The team did excellent," said Schermer. "It was a great meet. We were very close to Clarion and they're our biggest rivals in division

II."

Dana Kennedy, a freshman freestyler, qualified for the nationals and set an OU record in the 50-yard freestyle. Her time of 24.38 bettered the old record of 24.46.

Junior Ginnie Johnson said, "I've never qualified this early in the season and I'm really pleased with myself."

Johnson's times in the 100 and 200-yard butterfly and 400-yard individual medley were good enough for national cuts. She also swam on three of the relay teams.

"In two of my events I wouldn't have made it if it wasn't for the team," she said. "In the 400-yard individual medley I was hurting but the team was cheering me on. Otherwise I wouldn't have made it."

"Some of the girls had a chance to go home early but they stayed on

and supported everyone else," Johnson said.

Sophomore Shelley Steyaert qualified for nationals in the 100 and 200 butterfly. She also broke teammate Johnson's record of 2:10.33 with a 2:08.62 in the 200 butterfly and set a new meet record.

"I was excited," said Steyaert. "I was surprised to see my time drop that much."

"Shelley's performance was incredible," said Johnson.

The 400-yard freestyle relay team also set an OU record with a 3:34.04, improving on the old record of 3:35.96.

Practice was expected but not required during Thanksgiving vacation and most of the swimmers were back in the pool Friday and Saturday, with a mandatory workout Sunday.

A partial list of the Miami results follow. A complete list was not available at press time.

400-yard medley relay: First place, Spicer, Lisa Guilfoyle, Johnson and Schermer, 4:02.84.

200-yard freestyle: First, Schermer, 1:53.97. Sixth, Sue Novitsky, 1:58.67. Consolation final: First, Lisa Vincent, 2:01.14. Thirteenth, Katie Loehr, 2:06.38.

50-yard freestyle: Second, Dana Kennedy, 24.38. Fourth, Guilfoyle, 24.82. Consolation final: Fourth, Karen Kotlarczyk, 25.53. Fifth, Shelly Pilarski, 25.73. Twenty-third, Ilise Rosen, 29.91.

200-yard backstroke: Fourth, Spicer, 2:18.47. Consolation final: Fifth, Debbi Cheney, 2:31.43.

200-yard medley relay: First, Spicer, Guilfoyle, Johnson and Kennedy, 1:51.01.

Diving: Fourth, Nikki Kelsey, 342.70 points. Ninth, Jill Thompson, 336.35 points. Fourteenth, Cathy Stafford, 294.28 points. Fifteenth, Susan Brenner, 253.25 points.

100-yard butterfly: First, Steyaert, 58.72. Fourth, Johnson, 59.29. Sixth, Deanna Fridley, 1:02.41. Sixteenth, Rachel Shaar, 1:08.07. Seventeenth, Rosen, 1:15.35. Eighteenth, Gabrielle Soupal, 1:18.05.

500-yard freestyle: First, Schermer, 5:02.04. Eleventh, Vincent, 5:26.76. Fourteenth, Loehr, 5:40.21. Sixteenth, Soupal, 6:31.38.

200-yard breaststroke: Consolation final: Eleventh, Jane Kieft, 2:40.88. Fifteenth, Karen Helwig, 2:44.27.

400-yard individual medley: Fourth, Johnson, 4:41.34. Ninth, Fridley, 4:57.01.

200-yard freestyle relay: First, Guilfoyle, Kotlarczyk, Pilarski and Kennedy, 1:38.51.

400-yard freestyle relay: First, Kennedy, Guilfoyle, Novitsky and Schermer, 3:34.04.

800-yard freestyle relay: Second, Novitsky, Steyaert, Johnson and Schermer, 7:49.62.

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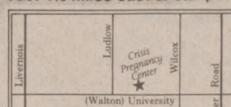
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