

# OU NEWS

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## Black awareness week

Area gospel choirs, authors, jazz musicians, dancers, and a jurist will be guests during Black Awareness Week at Oakland.

Activities began yesterday with a 2 p.m. lecture by author Mary Helen Washington on "Black Literature." Readings and workshops led by B.F. Maiz, poet and humanist, are being held today in the Fireside Lounge from 12-1:30 p.m., in classrooms from 2-5 p.m., and in the residence halls after 8 p.m.

Visiting choirs from Detroit and Pontiac combine for a "Gospel Night" program on February 15 at 8 p.m. in the Crockery, and the Hastings Street Jazz group gives a music and dance concert February 16 at 8 p.m. in Varner Recital Hall.

"Lady Sings the Blues," the movie version of the life of Billie Holiday, will be shown February 17 at 7 p.m. in room 201, Dodge Hall of Engineering. Carnival and disco entertainment is the fare February 18 from 9 p.m.

in the Crockery, and "The River Niger" movie will be shown February 22 at 3 p.m. in the Oakland Room.

"A Tribute to the Black Woman, Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow" will be presented February 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Crockery. The Eu Shami Dancers will perform as part of the program.

A soul food dinner on February 28 ends the celebration. The dinner begins at 4:30 p.m. in Vandenberg Cafeteria.

Judge Geraldine Bledsoe-Ford will discuss the criminal justice system in a 3 p.m. lecture February 23 in the Gold Room.

All events are open to the public at no charge. The programs are sponsored by a dozen university organizations.

# IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Venkat N. Reddy, director of the Institute of Biological Sciences at Oakland University, has been appointed a member of the Board of Scientific Counselors of the National Eye Institute for a four year term beginning immediately.

The appointment was made by Dr. DeWitt Stetten, Jr., the deputy director for science, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD.

The function of the board is to provide advice to the director of NIH, review and evaluate research of the intramural staff scientists of the NEI and assist the NEI Director, Dr. Carl Kupfer, in planning the scope and direction of ongoing and future research programs to be conducted on the Bethesda campus of the NIH.

Reddy is the second member of the IBS to be invited to serve on this Board. V. Everett Kinsey, the former director of Oakland's institute was also a member of the same Board of Scientific Counselors from 1972-1975. Reddy is a resident of Rochester.

"Helping Parents Help Kids," a special series of nine Wednesday evening programs for parents of children between the ages of five and 18, will begin February 22 in the Oakland Center.

Designed to provide parents with ways they can facilitate their child's emotional, intellectual, and social growth, the series will consist of weekly presentations by knowledgeable individuals followed by time for parents to ask questions.

The topics were developed as a result of a recent Gallup poll which sought to discover the subjects parents were most interested in knowing about.

Parents may attend one or all of the programs. Registration fee for each evening is \$5 or \$40 for the entire series. For further information, or a brochure, contact the conference department, 377-3272.

George Bernard Shaw's classic domestic comedy "Candida" opens at Oakland University February 16 for an eight-performance run in the Studio Theatre of Varner Hall.

The student-faculty production is offered by the theatre arts program in the Department of Communication Arts. It represents an attempt to involve the entire university community in the undergraduate theatre program.

"Candida" has an 8:30 p.m. curtain February 16, 17, 18 and February 23, 24, 25 with 2:30 p.m. matinees on February 19 and 26.

Brian Murphy, an OU English professor, portrays the reformist minister Morell. The minister's complacency is shattered when a young poet declares his love for Morell's free-thinking wife, Candida.

Others in the cast include Melanie Neal in the title role, sociology professor Nahum Medalia plays the father, Richard Klessig is the young poet, Andrew Krause is the curate, and Lori Philo and Patty Taube alternate in the role of the secretary.

The play is directed by Adeline Hirschfeld-Medalia of the Department of Communication Arts with assistance from students Kris Powell and Mary Lou Bacon. Powell is responsible for lighting and set design and Bacon for costume coordination.

Tickets may be purchased at the door or reserved by calling 377-2025. Admission is \$3 to the general public and \$2 for students. The Sunday matinees are offered for 99 cents.

"Candida" is the second production of the year for the theatre arts program. "The Miser" received eight performances in early December.

## JOBS

Counselor, AP-4, Department of Special Programs. A Master's degree in Student Personnel work in Higher Education, Guidance and Counseling and other appropriate fields, one to three years experience in public school or with a higher education institution, a previous record of working as a counselor and the potential to work effectively with members of an

academic environment (students, faculty and administrators) is required.

Registration Clerk, CT-4, Office of the Registrar. High school graduation or an equivalent combination of education and work experience, one (1) year of general office experience, completion of a typing test at the university light typing standard is required. Minimum of two (2) years of college will be preferred. Patience and ability to deal with the public is essential.

Department Secretary, CT-3, Department of Student Services. High school graduation or an equivalent combination of education and experience, completion of a typing test at the university typing standard, a minimum of one (1) year of general office experience, including secretarial experience is required. Patience and ability to deal with the public is essential.

Groundskeeper I, Grounds Department. Must be a high school graduate or hold a certificate of G.E.D., a valid driver's license and a driving record acceptable to an insurance carrier is required. Must be currently unemployed 15 weeks or longer. Veterans preferred. Must be referred by the Michigan Employment Security Commission, Pontiac, Michigan.

# FOR YOUR INFO

William White has published his edition of Walt Whitman's "Daybooks and Notebooks" by the New York University Press. It is part of a multi-volume series, "The Collected Writings of Walt Whitman," supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The three-volume work consists of the American poet's diary and account book, which he kept from 1876 until his death in 1892, and has never before been published. It is in the world-famous Whitman collection of Charles E. Feinberg, of Detroit, now housed in the Library of Congress, Washington.

If you have distributed copies of the January 1978 in-touch to department members, please send any extras to the Alumni office, 119 NFH. There is a shortage of copies of this issue.

Carlo Coppola, area studies, is one of a number of critics whose work has been quoted extensively in a volume of critiques about Commonwealth writers. His remarks on the Hindi novelist, Premchand (1880-1936) have been published in Modern Commonwealth Literature: A Library of Literary Criticism, eds. John H. Ferrer and Martin Tucker.

The Wilson Awards Committee requests that Oakland University students, faculty and staff help in the selection of the two 1977-78 recipients of the Matilda R. and Alfred G. Wilson Awards by submitting names of persons who exemplify the spirit of the awards. Nomination forms are available in 101 North Foundation Hall and should be returned to Patricia Houtz no later than Friday, February 24.

The two senior students selected to receive the Matilda R. and Alfred G. Wilson Awards are judged on their contributions as scholars, leaders and responsible citizens of the institution noting especially if they have given evidence of interest in the social problems of our community and our society. The selections must be made from among those students who were graduated in June, August or December 1977, or who will complete their graduation requirements by April 1978.

Teachers considering career changes are invited to a workshop called "Alternative Career Options for Teachers," offered by the Continuum Center of Oakland University. The one-day session will be held from 9:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Saturday, February 18, at Stouffer's Northland Inn, Southfield.

The keynote speaker, Ruth Jeffries of Bloomfield Hills, will share her experiences in making a transition from teaching to a successful business career. The program will also include tips on resume writing, assertiveness techniques helpful in job in-

interviews, and speaker panels. These speakers will include a representative from the University placement office who will discuss current job opportunities.

This is not a job placement service. The fee, including lunch, is \$20. For further details and advance registration, contact the Continuum Center, Oakland University, Rochester, or phone 377-3033.

The student chapter of the Society of Automotive Engineers will host two free lecture-interview programs February 15 and 22. All interested persons are invited.

On February 15, Richard Chute, chief research engineer, Eaton Corporation, will lecture on "Wheels, Yours and Mine." He will talk on the requirements for a successful automobile power plant, covering conventional and possible alternative systems.

On February 22, C.E. Sheffler, executive engineer of the Paint Erosion and Materials Engineering Division of Ford Motor Company will offer brief remarks and then meet with prospective job seekers.

Both programs are at 2:30 p.m. in room 242, Dodge Hall of Engineering.

The February 22 meeting of the Board of Trustees has been cancelled. The board will meet February 15 at 7:30 p.m. in Lounge II of the Oakland Center.

John B. Cameron, art history, read a paper at the annual meeting of the College Art Association in New York City January 25-28 on "The Capitals of Noyon Cathedral."

Geraldene Felton, School of Nursing has been named to the editorial board of the Journal of Sigma Theta Tau. The appointment is for four years. Sigma Theta Tau is the national honor society in nursing.

Carlo Coppola, area studies, has published an article, "Urdu Literary Reaction to the 1943 Bengal Famine," in Vagartha (New Delhi).

It is one of two articles in the journal dealing with the cataclysmic Bengal famine of 1943, which inspired a great deal of literary activity throughout India. The other article, dealing with Hindi literature, was written by Richard Williams of the University of Texas, Austin. These two articles are the first to deal with this subject in any systematic and literary manner.

Carl Barnes, art history, has been elected president of the International Center of Medieval Art. Barnes is the first president of the Center who has not come from a major Eastern university.

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# CALENDAR

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Kundalini Yoga, 2:30-4:30 p.m., 129-130 OC  
B.F. Maiz, Poetry Reading, 12nn-1:30 p.m., Fireside Lounge OC,  
Workshop, 8 p.m., Residence Hall  
Colloquium, Prof. D. J. Montgomery, Mich. State Univ.,  
"Vehicle Dynamics, Vehicle Safety, Vehicle Design and  
Economy," 3:30 p.m., 213 Dodge Hall, School of Engineering  
Seminar: "You've Gotta Have Heart," Determination and  
Job Success 3-4 p.m., 126 OC, Career Advising and Placement  
Colloquium "Love" Concert, 8-10 p.m., Varner Recital Hall  
Music Dept., Adm. \$1 or Valentine

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Brown Bag Flicks "Cimmaron," 11:45 and 5 p.m., Abstention OC  
Film: The Man from Inner Space, 12nn, 19 OC, 7 p.m., Hill  
House, and 9 p.m. Fitzgerald House, Campus Ministry, Free  
Colloquium "Love" Concert, 8-10 p.m., Varner Recital Hall  
Music Dept., Adm. \$1 or Valentine  
University Congress Meeting, 7:45 p.m., Lounge II OC

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Congress Steering Committee Meeting, 4 p.m., Faculty Lounge, OC  
Hasting Street Jazz Concert w/ dancers and musicians, 8-12 a.m.,  
Varner Recital Hall, Abstention and Creative Arts Organization  
Women's Basketball vs Michigan State University, 8 p.m., Away  
Jazz Show, 8:30 p.m.-12 a.m., Abstention OC, Abstention,  
Coffeeshouse  
Seminar: "Engineering, CIS, Physics and Chemistry Career  
Information Session," 3-4 p.m., 126 OC, Career Advising  
and Placement

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Lady Sings the Blues, 7 p.m., 201 Dodge Hall, Unicon Produc-  
tion, Free  
Legal Aid Workshop "Tenants Rights," 12nn-1:30 p.m., Oakland  
Room OC, CIPO & Tautological Society  
Assertiveness Training Workshop, 2-4 p.m., 18 OC, Women's Ctr.  
Women's Swimming vs Northern Michigan, 7:30 p.m., Home,  
Sports and Rec. Building  
Carnival, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Crockery, OC, G.D.I.  
Pontiac Oakland Symphony, 8 p.m.-10 p.m., Varner Recital Hall,  
Music Dept., Adm. Charged

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Slavik Folk Ensemble Benefit Performance for OU Alumni Assoc.,  
8 p.m., Varner Recital Hall, Alumni Relations, Adm. \$2 adults,  
\$1 children

Men's Swimming vs Northern Michigan, 1:30 p.m., Sports & Rec.

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Meadow Brook Hall Tours, 1-5 p.m., Adm. \$2 OU students, under  
12 and over 65; \$3.50 adults

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Talent Show, 6-11 p.m., gold Rm. OC, A.H.C.

John Otterbacher, candidate for the democratic nomination for  
the Senate, 12-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge II OC

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Meadow Brook Theatre presents The Tempest, Fantasy w/Music,  
Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 2 p.m. matinee;  
Saturday, 6 p.m. & 9:30 p.m., and Sunday 6:30 p.m.