

OU NEWS

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Final lecture slated

Final speaker in the 1977-78 President's Club Lecture Series is scheduled to appear at Oakland on April 19. John Todd, director of the New Alchemy Institute in Woods Hole, Massachusetts, will lecture on "Designing for the 21st Century: A New Alchemist's View" at 1 p.m. in Varner Recital Hall.

Todd's appearance at Oakland is being co-sponsored by UNICON, Residence Halls, Campus, Information, Programs, and Organizations (CIPO), Campus Vending, and Oakland Center Programming. He is one of seven speakers to discuss the general theme "Human Values and the Environment."

Todd, who co-founded the New Alchemy Institute is one of a growing number of scientists who feel American agriculture is near a state of collapse due to spiraling prices of fuel and fertilizer and the chemical poisoning of the soil. Todd and other scientists are trying radically different means of food and energy production.

The New Alchemy Institute has just completed an Ark, a new alchemical food producing system, on Prince Edward's Island with the aid of a major grant from the Canadian government. The ark has solar heat, greenhouses, wind-power, fish ponds, and midge growth all in a self-contained human support system.

In Massachusetts, the institute runs a 12-acre farm that relies on

renewable sources of power like the wind and sun, where chemical fertilizers are avoided, and where crops are selected for diversity, nutrition, and taste, and not for their ability to withstand shipping and packaging.

The New Alchemy Institute was formed in 1969 by marine biologists Todd and William McLamey. Todd's unusual credentials include a bachelor of science degree in agriculture, a master's in parasitology and tropical medicine and a doctorate in comparative psychology and ethology.

Other speakers in the President's Club series have been Garrett Hardin, professor of Human Ecology at the University of California; Gary Snyder, Pulitzer prize-winning poet; Elis Sahr, president of the National Audubon Society; Leo Marx, the William R. Kenan professor of American Cultural History at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Kusum Nair, a research associate at the South Asia Language and Area Center of the University of Chicago; and Joseph Sax, law professor from the University of Michigan Law School.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

A workshop in creative musicianship for piano teachers will be held at Oakland University on April 14. The workshop is co-sponsored by the International Piano Teaching Foundation (IPTF) and Pacesetters of the Detroit Area and will be conducted from 7:30-9:30 p.m. in room 110 Varner Hall.

Special guest will be Patricia King, a consultant with IPTF, composer, educator, and performer. King studied for four years at the Eastman School of Music and received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Rochester.

Teachers interested in the workshop should contact Carolyn Crögen, 398 Orcharddale, Rochester, MI, 48063. Registration fee is \$7.

The American Legal System — its history and current practice as seen by professors of law and practicing attorneys — is the subject of a spring course at Oakland University.

The course is designed for students in any discipline, and the faculty will discuss the legal and human aspects of law and how law is regarded as a profession.

Carl R. Vann, professor of political and behavioral science, will be assisted by professors from each of Michigan's five law schools and by OU graduates who have completed law school and are now practicing attorneys.

Each guest will present the history and current developments in his or her field of specialty. The course includes opportunities to meet formally with the guest professors.

Among the areas to be discussed

are contracts, torts, family property, criminal tax, constitutional and environmental law, and consumer protection.

The four credit class will meet from 6:30 to 10 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting the first week of May. For additional information contact Professor Vann at 377-2454 or 352-0833.

The popular question "Are We Alone in the Universe?" will be explored April 21 in the first of eight intellectually entertaining programs to be offered Friday evenings at 8 p.m. by the Division of Continuing Education.

Succeeding sessions include "Man: The New Idea Machine," our creative potential at work, April 28; "Ghosts and Hauntings," with a slide presentation, May 5; "The Fountain of Youth," as accessible as the food at the supermarket, May 12; "Talk Is a Four-Letter Word (Communication Workshop)," May 19; "The Force Is with You," secret mental strength and energy, May 26; "Insights," interpreting your unique personality, June 2; and "The Appearance of Success," creating a winning image, June 9.

Tuition for all eight sessions is \$40. Sessions may be attended singly for \$6 or in a selection of six for \$30. For information about the programs and registration, call the Continuing Education office, 377-3120.

FOR YOUR INFO

Final registration is underway for nondegree courses offered beginning the week of April 17 by the Oakland University Division of Continuing Education.

Offerings for spring term range in subject from outdoor interests, mime, and home purchase and restoration to personal financial planning, managing stress, and minicomputers. Diploma programs are offered in management, plastics technology, and for legal assistants and medical office assistants.

For information about courses and registration, call the Continuing Education Office, 377-3120.

A technique for relieving tension by muscular relaxation will be presented beginning April 19 in a nondegree course offered by the Division of Continuing Education at Oakland University in Rochester.

No calisthenics are involved. Relaxation is achieved by relieving tension at muscle sites. Development of skills and practice in muscular relaxation will be directed by James McCormick, P.E.D., of the Oakland University Physical Education and Athletics Department.

Muscular relaxation, according to McCormick, is effective for those who suffer physical discomfort from tension (workers in high-stress jobs, the elderly, students at exam time) and for athletes who seek control for top performance in competition.

McCormick will review the nature and symptoms of stress, differential muscle relaxation, human efficiency,

sleep, and alternate methods of relaxation. He will monitor enrollees' progress and measure it with an electronic device.

The course will be conducted in the Sports and Recreation Building from 7 to 9 p.m., Wednesdays, for eight weeks. Tuition is \$55. Full-time students, staff, and their spouses are eligible for a tuition discount. For registration information, call the Continuing Education office, 377-3120.

Area Hall Council presidential elections will be held Tuesday, April 11, during mealtimes at Vandenberg Cafeteria. AHC vice-president, secretary, and treasurer will be elected at the Tuesday AHC meeting by voting members of the council. Election results will be announced at the meeting which begins at 6:30 p.m. in 401 Hamlin Hall.

The Algebra Conference sponsored by the Oakland Research Council and Sigma Xi Society was held on April 1. The speakers included Saunders Mac Lane, Barbara Ososky, Roger Lyndon, Yel-Chiang Wu and Charles Ching-an Cheng.

Saunders Mac Lane is now the Max Mason Distinguished Service Professor at the University of Chicago. With Samuel Eilenberg he discovered the theory of categories and some of the basic ideas of homological algebra. He has written numerous papers and several books. The title of his talk was "The History of Cohomology of Groups."

Barbara Ososky is now professor of Mathematics at Rutgers University. She is the world's leading expert on the homological dimensions of modules over an associative ring with identity. The title of her talk was "Homological Dimensions."

Roger Lyndon is now the Professor of Mathematics at the University of

Michigan (Ann Arbor). He is one of the experts on combinatorial group theory. The title of his talk was "Quadratic Words."

Yel-Chiang Wu, Associate Professor of Mathematical Sciences, spoke on "The Obstructions to Group Extensions"; and Charles Ching-an Cheng, Assistant Professor of Mathematical Sciences, spoke on "Homological Dimensions of Posets." They are the organizers of the conference.

The conference was well attended by participants from Wayne State University, University of Michigan, Michigan State University, University of Michigan at Flint, University of Detroit, Oberlin College and The Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Through the offices of Ronald Kevern, Director of Career Advising and Placement, Oakland University has been presented with a grant from the William T. Morris Foundation for the purpose of establishing a new scholarship. The scholarship will be presented for the first time during the month of April.

Scholarships will be awarded to Oakland University students who have completed a minimum of 15 semester hours of credit and are at least at sophomore level. Only students with outstanding academic achievement will be considered.

Scholarship information has been presented to the schools and colleges within Oakland University, and recommendations will be presented by the deans of the appropriate schools or colleges to the Financial Aid Office.

News from political science:

Thomas W. Casstevens recently published "Scientific management

and the idea of progress in contemporary America" in the Indian Journal of American Studies; C.K. Rowland delivered an address on "Opinion Writing by Federal District judges: implications for the Study of Judicial Administration," at the National Conference of the American Society of Public Administration, Phoenix, Arizona, April 12.

Rowland also chaired a panel on "Judicial Policy Evaluation" at the annual meeting of the Southwest Political Association April 14 in Houston, Texas.

The end of term hours for the Kresge Library have been scheduled as: Monday, April 17 through Thursday, April 20, 8 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Friday April 21, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, April 22, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sunday, April 23, 2 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Monday, April 24 through Wednesday, April 26, 8 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Thursday, April 27, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday, April 28, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, April 29 and 30, closed.

The regular library schedule resumes Monday, May 1.

Phillip Singer, anthropology, has been invited by the Department of Pharmacology, College of Medicine, Howard University, Washington, D.C., to speak on "Alternative Systems of Healing in Developed and Developing Countries." Professor Singer will also discuss the opportunities for an intradisciplinary field station in Nigeria.

The OU Women's Golf League will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, April 13, at 12:00 p.m. in the Crockery Alcove. All Oakland women, faculty, staff and students, are invited to attend and to join the league this year on the university golf course. Tee off time is 5:00 p.m.

on Tuesdays, starting May 16. Playing rules, and establishment of handicaps will be discussed at this meeting.

American Studies will complete its winter program on Tuesday, April 18, with a lecture on "Comparative Race Relations: The United States and Britain" by Louis Kushnick, a lecturer in the University of England. He will speak in 363 South Foundation at one p.m.

Kushnick, a native New Yorker, holds degrees from Columbia and Yale. He has been on the Manchester University faculty since 1967 and has published extensively on issues of peace and race relations. He chairs the Institute of Race Relations and has served as Consultant to the United Nations Research Project on Measures Against Discrimination.

Previous presentations in the American Studies series this semester included a symposium on "Native American Attitudes Toward Archaeological Research," with a panel of Indian speakers, and a talk on "Literary Scholarship: What Is It, and Who Does It?" by William White.

Jesse R. Pitts, Sociology & Anthropology, gave a lecture March 23rd to the faculty of the Bowman-Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem. The topic was "A critique of Ivan Illych's **Medical Nemeses**."

JOBS

Personnel Secretary—Clerk, CT-4, Department of Employment Relations. This vacancy is excluded from the UAW/CT Bargaining Unit because of confidentiality. High school graduation, completion of a typing test at the university standard and a minimum of one (1) year managing, coordinating people and work projects is required and

general office experience is required. Knowledge and experience of electronic data coding and processing, with an aptitude towards detail work is preferred.

Clerk-Typist, CT-1, Office of Admissions. High school graduation or equivalent combination of education and experience, completion of a typing test at the university's light typing standard, minimum of one (1) year experience in general office is required.

Staff Secretary, Department of Oakland Health Education Program, this is an unclassified permanent full time vacancy. Insurance benefits are provided by Oakland University. High school graduation, completion of a typing test at the university superior typing standard and ability to take and transcribe dictation is required. Minimum of three (3) years general office experience including secretarial experience is necessary. Secretarial experience in health or an academic field is highly desirable.

Administrative Aide, CT-8, Department of Financial Aid. High school graduation or equivalent combination of education and experience, a certificate in a post-secondary business/secretarial training program, completion of a typing test at the university superior typing standard, one (1) year of work experience in a social agency, or business or education institution and one (1) year of accounting/bookkeeping experience is required. A B.A. degree is desired.

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CALENDAR

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

OU Baseball vs Grand Valley (DH), 1:30 p.m., Outside, Sports & Rec.
Dr. Frank Bernier, Director of Admissions, MSU College of Osteopathic
Medicine, 12 noon, Oakland Rm., OC, Pre-Med Society
Nuclear Awareness, two 20 minute films: "Energy: Less is More," and
"Energy: The Dilemma," 12 noon-1 p.m., Gold Rm., OC, PIRGIM
Book Sale, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Table #4 OC, Christian Fellowship

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

University Congress Meeting, 7:45 p.m., Lounge II, OC
Magazine Sale, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Table #4 OC, Creative Writers Ink
"Road Signs on a Merry-go-Round," 12 noon in 130 OC & 9 p.m. in Hamlin
Hall Lounge
OU Tennis vs Lawrence Tech, 3 p.m., Sports and Rec.
"UGESTU," 7 p.m., Dodge Hall, Rm. 201, Adm. \$1, Cinematheque
Helping Parents Help Kids Seminar: "The Creative Child: How Parents Can
Help," 7-9:30 p.m., OC, Conference Dept., Fee \$5
Brown Bag Flicks, "Deliverance," 11:45 & 5 p.m., Abstention OC

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Congress Steering Committee Meeting, 4 p.m., Faculty Lounge OC
Ecumenical Worship Service, 7 p.m., St. John Fisher Chapel, Campus Ministry
Poetry Series, by Prof. Fitzsimmons, 1-2 p.m., Fireside Lounge OC, CIPO
OU Tennis vs Hillsdale College, 3 p.m., Sports & Rec.
Israeli Fall Dance, 7:30 p.m., Abstention OC, Jewish Student Organization &
Slavic Folk Ensemble

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

OU Softball vs Grand Valley, 2 p.m., Sports & Rec.
Magazine Sale, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Table #4 OC, Creative Writers Ink
B.Y.O. Polka Party, 9 p.m.-2 a.m., Crockery OC, Adm. free with student I.D.,
Concerto Concert, 8-10 p.m., Vamer Recital Hall, Music Dept., Adm. charged

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Spring Carnival, 1-5 p.m., Outdoors around Beer Lake, Residence Hall
Programming, S.A.E., C.L.B., Intrepids, Free beer, hot dogs, games,
canoeing, music & dancing
OU Softball vs Lake Michigan College, 1 p.m., Sports & Rec.
Intrepids Disco, 8 p.m.-2 a.m., Crockery OC

SUNDAY, APRIL 16

Concert, 2-5:30 p.m., Abstention OC, Oakland Jam
All Day Jazz Festival, 8 a.m.-11 p.m., Vamer Recital Hall, Music Dept.
Meadow Brook Hall Tours, 1-5 p.m., Adm. \$2 OU students, under 12 & over 65;
\$3.50 adults

MONDAY, APRIL 17

Magazine Sale, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Table #4 OC, Creative Writers Ink
BaHal Club Meeting, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., OC
Jewelry Sale, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Table #3 OC, Tautological Society
Meadow Brook Theatre presents, *The Male Animal*, American Classic
Comedy, WH, Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, 2 p.m. Matinee,
Saturday, 6 & 9:30 p.m., and Sunday, 6:30 p.m.
For news of daily campus events, call the OU Hotline at 377-4650
Calendars are published every Monday during the academic year. Event
listings should therefore be submitted a minimum of one week prior to
publication. Any additional information can be called in at 377-2020.