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•Meadow Brook Fall Ball: Friday, Nov. 3, 8 p.m.-1 a.m., Meadow Brook Hall; Formal attire; tickets are \$35/couple or 17.50/single, and go on sale at the CSA office Sept. 27. For more info. x2400.

•Meadow Brook Tours: Sept. 5-June 30; Public tours daily at 1:30 p.m., with Sunday tours at 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. For more info call x3148.

•Fred M. Braun Art and Art History Lecture: "Whistler: Mama, the Models and the Mistresses" by Carl F. Barnes, Jr. Thursday, Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m., Meadow Brook Hall. Reception follows lecture; \$25/person. Reservations required.

•Meadow Brook Hall Gala Dinners: Nov. 30, Dec. 1-2. Reception at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 8 p.m. Black tie event. For more info. call x3140.

•Meadow Brook Hall Holiday Walk 2000: "A Charmed Life: Celebrations in the Grand Manor." December 1 through December 10. For more info. call x3370.

•GMAT Workshop: OU will be offering a four-week workshop at Seaholm High School for Graduate Management Admission Test preparation, beginning Sept. 19. For more info. call x3125.

•LSAT Workshop: An on-campus preparation workshop for the Law School Admission Test will begin Sept. 9. For more info. call x3125

•GRE Workshop: An on-campus preparation workshop for the Graduate Record Examination will begin Sept. 23. For more info. call x3125.

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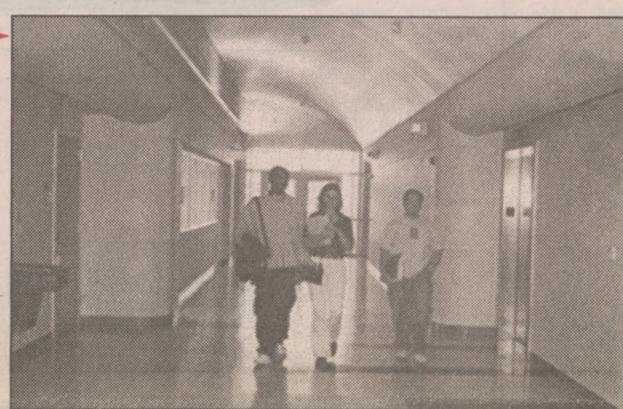
## Special Edition: Welcome Week

# BIT goes online



**Before** → **After**

The Business Administration and Information Technology Institute has opened its doors for OU and the internet. Anyone can now access information about the building and its programs through OU's homepage. The estimated cost of the BIT was \$17.5 million and it covers 70,000 square feet. The School of Business Administration, The Information Technology Institute, a television production suite and faculty/staff multi-media resource labs will be housed in the BIT.



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### Where are they NOW?

Department locations in the new Business Building

Office Numbers	427	John C. Gardner, Dean
	238	Center for Executive and Continuing Education
	337	Applied Technology in Business
	332	Undergraduate Business Programs
	432	Graduate Business Programs
	438	Accounting and Finance
	440	Decision Information Sciences and Economics
	443	Management and Marketing
	215	Student Computer Lab

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### What's in it for ME?

Business Building houses cutting edge technology for students, faculty

- Four student PC labs
- Six high-tech classrooms with wireless Internet connections
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- Offices for SBA student organizations
- 57 faculty offices
- 37 staff offices
- A 100 seat technology-enhance auditorium in the Information Technology Institute
- A new television production suite
- A student lounge
- 13 breakout or team meeting rooms
- Hallway seating with network connections
- A faculty/staff lounge

## Bookstore reorganization eases welcome week traffic

Michael Hoskins  
LOCAL EDITOR

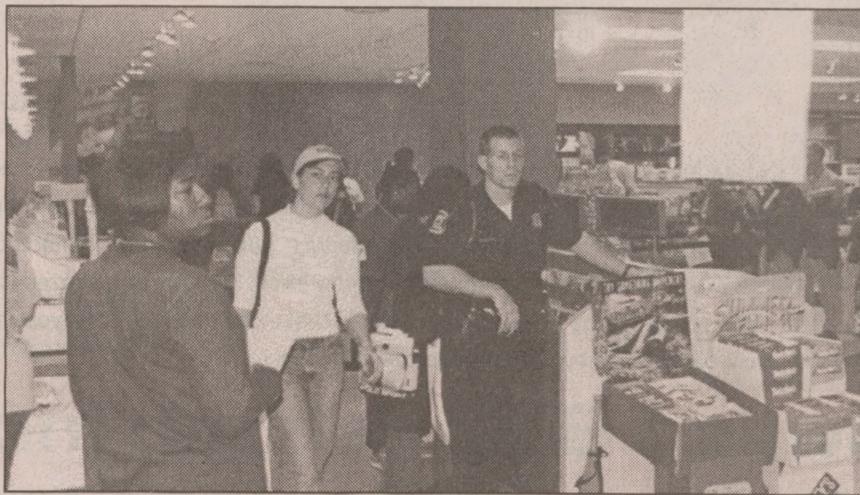
What a difference a year makes. Last year, students had to wind their way through a labyrinth of boxes piled high in isle ways, as they stood in long lines in the Lake Superior room as work crews finished construction of the remodeled Wallace's Book Center. Bryan Young, junior, business major, has seen the difference. "The staff seems to be more organized, like they know what needs to be done in order to help us (students)," he said. The changes should help the bookstore cater to students' needs first and foremost, while making the book-buying process easier and more convenient for everyone. "The students come first, and their needs come before anyone else's," said Virgie Gifford, the bookstore manager. "We do our best to keep them in mind with everything we do."

One of the most noticeable differences is the amount of books on the shelves. Last year, 40-50% of the books were on the shelves when the semester began, while this year around 90% of the books are in.

"Finding books last year was chaotic," said Sean Mick, senior, industrial health and science major. Most of them were not on the shelf, and no one could give a straight answer on why they weren't. There's a lot more books on the shelves now.

According to Angie Seaman, text book manager, the books not on the shelves could be the result of publisher delays or shipping problems, or a symptom of professors turning in their book orders late.

"In order to receive the books in sufficient time for the fall semester, a deadline was set for the faculty," Seaman said. "If these requisitions were not received in a timely manner, we cannot guarantee the books being here by the time classes start."



EASING CONGESTION: Officer Johnson, OUPD, was called to watch the front entrances of the OU Bookstore on the first day of classes. Him and other officers made sure that the area remained open to ease the crowd in and out of the store as quickly as possible.

Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

As a result, students see a rise in book prices. The later the book orders are turned in, the less time there is to find used books, which are 25 percent cheaper than new books.

One of the newest deals offered this year is called HOT, which stands for "Halfback on Textbooks." This bargain is designed to benefit students and get more used books on the shelf. A HOT decal on a book guarantees students 50 percent back on what they paid for the book, as long they meet the December 31 deadline.

"We pay too much for books all together," said Stephan Sepanski, sophomore, undecided major. "It's good to know that we'll get some of our money back... that's more than we usually get back for the most expensive books."

Another deal offered to students is the Textbook

reservations program, which eliminates the work of hunting for books. Instead, students can have their texts pulled and held until they come in to purchase them. A \$5 deposit is required, money that is taken off the total amount. Students must be pick up their orders by Tuesday, September 12 or the deposit and the request will be forfeited.

Designed specifically for freshmen, this pre-order program is available to all students. The goal is to provide more convenience to those students unfamiliar with the store's system and layout, as well as to save them time.

BOOKSTORE continues on A5



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## CRIME watch

Police are investigating an alleged ATM fraud against the MSU Credit Union by a 19 year old student. Credit Union vice president John Savio called OU police on August 16 to report the fraud. According to police, on August 9, the student used the ATM machine in front of South Foundation Hall to deposit a check written on an inactive, out of state account. He then made five separate withdrawals from the same account, four at ATM machines and one in person at the credits union over the next week. Police are still investigating the case.

Four separate cases of larceny in the residence halls were reported to police in August:

- August 1 A Resident Assistant in Fitzgerald House reported that her cellular phone was taken from her room. The woman told police that she fell asleep with her door open at midnight, and found the item missing when she awoke at 8 a.m. The case is still open.

- August 5 A 19-year-old student reported his clothing was stolen from a dryer in Hamlin Hall. Missing were a red Guess t-shirt, a brown Guess shirt, Gray Nautica shorts and a Blue Old Navy sweater.

- August 15 Police were called to Fitzgerald House to investigate the break-in of a vending machine in the lobby. The plexiglas had been pulled back with a wire hanger and most of the candy in the machine was missing. The case is still open.

- August 18 OUPD officers were called to a room in Hamlin Hall at 6:14 p.m to investigate a case of missing property. The student reported that a five compact disc player, a clothes trunk, a 5 cubic foot refrigerator, and a three-drawer organizer were stolen from her room. The case is under investigation.

A staff member working in the Science and Engineering Building reported to police a missing Fiddle Leaf Fig tree. The tree that was in the lobby area of the building disappeared over the weekend of August 5.

# Meeting reviews apartments, Aramark

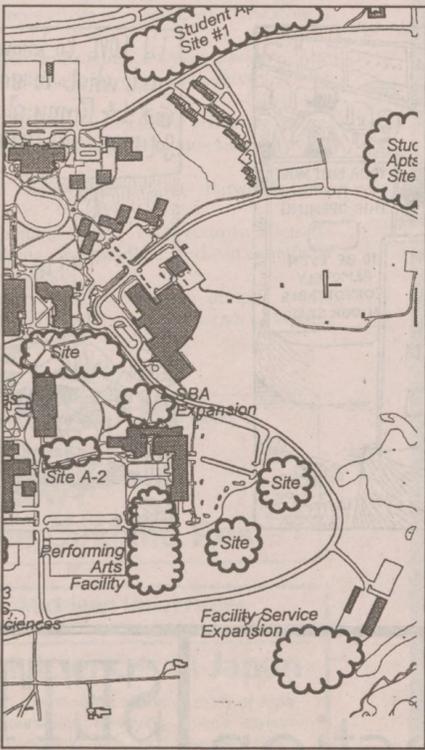


Photo courtesy of The Board of Trustees

APARTMENT SITES: There are three possible sites for the planned student apartments that housing officials hope will be finished by Fall 2002. The third site is the open area near Graham Health Center.

By Lisa Remsing  
NEWS EDITOR

Students could be moving into on-campus apartments in two years under a proposal that will be presented to the board at its working session this afternoon.

According to Mary Beth Snyder, Vice President for Student Affairs, and Eleanor Reynolds, Director of University Housing, OU is moving forward with the idea of adding campus apartments.

Consultants are in the final stages of putting together a feasibility study, and they hope to pick a developer by late fall. Snyder told student congress members at their August 22 meeting that the apartments' 500 beds will bring the total of on-campus residents to approximately 1,900.

The development of apartments is in response to nearly 4,000 students who filled out evaluations concerning the subject.

The most popular floor plan with students seems to be four single bedrooms with two shared bathrooms, and a shared living and kitchen space, she said. Another possibility is two single bedrooms with one shared bath.

Possible locations for the apartments include the strip of land across from The George Matthews Married Student Housing, along Walton Boulevard. Another possible site is just below the upper fields or even the open area near Graham Health Center.

Snyder and Reynolds both say that there are still many unknowns in the project, including costs, but both believe

that the apartment costs will be slightly higher than living in the residence halls.

"A definite student need is being recognized by the student apartments," said Student Body President Adam Kochenderfer, "Increasing campus life is connected to that. Student apartments will be a key to the growth OU is experiencing."

Resident students can also look forward to an easier time surfing the web this winter. So far OU has received two bids from companies to install wireless internet connectors.

"It's looking good, hopefully we can present it to the Board on September 6th," said Reynolds.

She added that OU will be the only school in Michigan with wireless technology in the residence halls.

In another issue, Reynolds briefed the congress on food service contract.

Aramark, in its final year of contract, is facing three possible fates, either OU can extend the contract one more year, renew it for another five years, or award the contract to another vendor.

With this last possibility in mind, Aramark has invested in a number of renovations for this school year. More than \$100,000 in renovations have already taken place in the Vandenberg Dining Center.

Residence students now have two "Center Stage" type stations called Pangeos, one which serves Italian food and the other specializes in Chinese entrees.

"We want to turn Vandenberg into a market type area, a new concept in food

service is the market place," said Snyder.

In the Pioneer Food Court, commuter students will notice that Taco Bell is now open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Starbucks is also open until 7 p.m. Also, DC Subs is now called Green Pickle Deli and features a new menu.

Reynolds also discussed improvements being made to the convenience store in Vandenberg Hall. An ATM will be located next to the store, and student organizations can now charge food items.

A new student catering guide will also be added to the menu for student organization events.

According to Reynolds, commuter students can also look forward to having a meal plan in the near future. A rough estimate of 15 meals and 100 declining balance points may be available throughout the semester.

Aramark is working on a web page and other marketing strategies to advertise the hours and services that it provides. There are also many promotions and giveaways planned with Pepsi, the exclusive soft drink vendor on campus.

"I'm really excited about all of the new plans," said Stevie Toth, junior, business, "It may make me want to move back on campus."

For more information on any of these plans and renovations, call the Department of University Housing at (248) 370-3570.

To voice your opinion on food service issues on campus, call The Oakland Post Forum at (248) 370-5395.

## Women's studies: major ok'd, director quits

By Amy Shaughnessy  
THE OAKLAND POST

The Board of Trustees approved a new major in women's studies at its August 2 meeting, and two weeks later the director quit to take an offer at the University of Wisconsin Madison.

"It's been a long process to get the women's studies major approved. But so far, the outcome has been very good," said Professor Gary Shepherd, Chairperson of Anthropology and Sociology which has housed the Women's Studies concentration.

By creating the women's studies major, OU joins 2,000 other colleges and universities, including seven in Michigan.

Women's studies courses have been offered at OU since 1977. Student interest prompted the Women's Studies Advisory Council to explore the possibility of creating a major.

"Throughout the past four years there has been a real push among the faculty who taught women's studies and who were interested in women's issues, for a major," said Shepherd.

Faculty members from different departments volunteered their efforts to keep women's studies available to students. Some faculty, including Shepherd, volunteered to serve as the temporary Women's Studies Director for one year.

Kathy Barrett, the administrative secretary of Sociology and Anthropology, volunteered her secretarial services.

"I was in a different department when Susan Hawkins, the coordinator at the time, approached me for help. When I came over to the Sociology and Anthropology Department, I brought women's studies and the paperwork with me. And so it has remained in this department since."

Amber Ault, an assistant professor of

Sociology, was hired in fall 1999 as the director-designee of the women's studies program.

"It's crucial that OU offer a major in women's studies, given the importance of the discipline and the high demand among students," said Ault earlier this year.

With women's studies as a major, the concentration will be phased out and replaced with a new curriculum. The current concentration requires 28 credits. The minor is and will remain 20 credits.

"I would like to see the major grow over the next few years to incorporate more attention to women and science, women's health and international issues of concern to women," said Ault.

According to the presented proposal, students majoring in women's studies would be better prepared for many types of careers, including business, education, criminal justice, social work, counseling, international studies, medicine, journalism, consumer service, law and government.

Women's studies can benefit men as well as women.

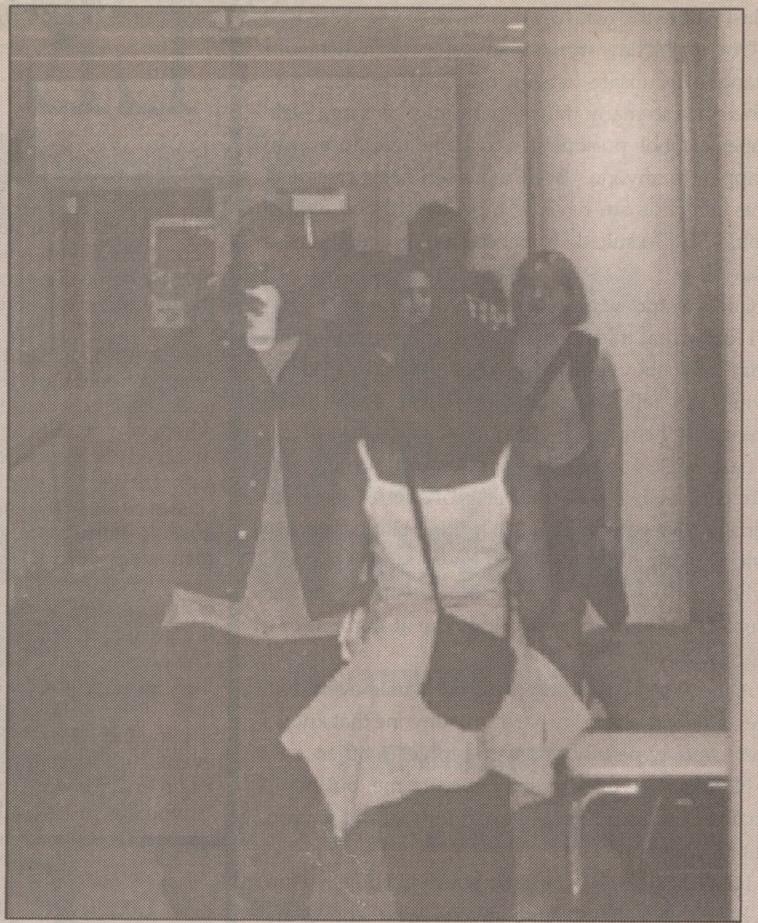
"On an individual level, a male who majors or minors in women's studies is exposing himself to a perspective that can be liberating and enlightened to himself," said Shepherd. "It also means to understand the systematic ways women have been suppressed in society."

Another facet of this major being approved is that more classes will be cross-listed to include women's studies.

Shepherd named Sociology Professor David Maines as acting director of the program.

"We hired (Ault) last year with the hope of her becoming a full time director. We'll need to do a search for the new director" in the upcoming year, said Shepherd.

## lines, lines everywhere there's lines



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

JUST WASTIN' TIME: Many students find the lines around campus at the beginning of each school year to be never ending.

## Math 'Equation' dazzles SEB hallway

Tracy Minnis  
COPY EDITOR

Anyone wandering the halls on the third floor of the Science and Engineering Building (SEB) can puzzle over an "Equation" spread over the wall outside the Mathematics and Statistics Department office—and you won't have to pass a test.

"Equation" is a newly installed, intricately designed and executed mosaic wall hanging outside the Mathematics and Statistics Department office at 368 SEB.

The mastermind behind the masterpiece (created by OU alumnus Richard Ulrich)

was Math professor Jerry Grossman who spearheaded the development of the project.

According to department chairperson Marc Lipman, Grossman "had seen art work at other universities which were created to reflect the subject matter of individual departments and integrated to suit the style of the building, and became enthused with the idea of blending art with math."

The wall hanging, which was originally going to be a floor piece, is done in a theme which combines math, science, history, humanity, evolution and world culture. Its colors range from earth tones to the yellow of the sun. Its textures include tiles from all

over the world, finished in multiple glazes.

The symbols on the wall hanging reflect the development of the earth, evolutionary life, and cultural changes and growth., Lipman explained. Among the symbols and images are mask-like faces, stars, seashells, a dinosaur skull, mathematical formulas, and the yin-yang insignia, he said.

The artist, Richard Ulrich, has worked as a commercial artist for more than 20 years and has also worked for GM. Ulrich has done both undergraduate and graduate work at OU. He spent hundreds of hours on the project that he donated to the project. While he is a painter, his background and educa-

tion include the study of both math and philosophy.

Lipman urged students to come and view this unusual new work. "This piece, which took several years to create, is rich in detail. I never walk away from it without noticing something new, or learning something new" he said.

But according to Lipman, the real value of this piece is "the artistic power of bonding the worlds of math, history and art, and that there is a different story for every single tile used."

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**Bizarro** by Dan Piraro



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### EDITOR'S view

#### Party hearty...safely

College is supposed to be fun... right? To many students, especially freshmen, the college experience is about more than studying. It's about going to parties and meeting people... just having a blast before the real world kicks in.

One major flaw in this plan can occur when substances or unsafe actions mix with careless fun. There are so many things that can go wrong. Date rape, alcohol poisoning and drug overdoses can happen to anyone. Even more serious is the effect this behavior can have on a person's mood, which could lead to suicide or depression or a fatal illness like AIDs.

College students, even at OU, ARE at risk. I know that there are people who are reading this that think they aren't at risk, or that I don't know what I'm talking about. They hear about these things all the time.

Last week, I found out that a friend of mine was directly dealing with the effects of over-exposure to alcohol. Her roommate at Florida State University was walking down a street and was raped by a man who was waiting for her in some bushes. She was intoxicated and was walking home at night after a fight with one of her friends.

Although she is doing okay, the whole event will never be forgotten - by her, me or anyone that knows her. And, hopefully, you won't forget it either.

Nothing like this has happened to me, but now I realize that the possibility exists for me, and for you, that it could one day.

I don't want to be a statistic, so when I do have fun, I have fun safely. And anyone who knows me knows that I love to party as much as anyone else.

Locally, Graham Health Center (on campus, near Beer Lake) offers informational flyers and someone to talk to.

There are alternatives and safe routes to take. Plan out your night carefully, and always pick a designated driver BEFORE you go out.

Watch out for each other. Don't set your drink down. Don't leave a party by yourself.

I don't want to have to write about the death of any of you. Let's make this year as safe as possible. And we can have even more fun.

Cara Plowman, Editor in chief

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### SETTING IT straight

This space is reserved to correct factual errors that appear in The Oakland Post

## LETTER from the president

Welcome back! I hope everyone's had a rested summer and is ready for a truly dynamic year here at OU.

For those of you who may not know me, my name is Adam Kochenderfer, the newly elected Student Body President.

It seems to me that the word "involvement" is often used as a buzzword, tossed around at college students anywhere you go. But at OU, "getting involved" is becoming much more than a phrase used during the first week of classes. Over 100 student organizations are currently registered, more than ever before at OU. Events of every kind are scattered throughout campus on any given week. And now is a great time to become a part of it. The question isn't "Do I fit into campus life?," it's "Where do I fit into campus life?"

If you haven't participated in past OU events, this week is a great time to begin and see what that buzzword "involvement" is really all about. Take

this Friday, Sept. 8, for example. Attend Student Program Board's "Comedy Showdown" where you'll watch four local comedians compete.

Think OU doesn't have any traditions? Check out Sigma Pi's Annual Pig Roast, an event that brings over 1,000 students to the fields across from family housing. Want to meet a ton of new people at the Association of Black Students' Icebreaker Dance? Come out this Friday from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

All of this happens during a span of about 7 hours! It's just one example of what student organizations are trying to do throughout the year. But being a part of it, or choosing to solely stick to classes, can make the difference between an outstanding college experience and a standard one. The choice is completely up to you. The year holds incredible potential for all aspects of student life, especially Student Congress.

During the past few months, we've been busy in Student Congress trying

to make this one of our best years. Several services can now be found at www.oakland.edu/ousc, ranging from course evaluations to scholarships to an online bookswap. Your representatives have already begun meeting to discuss real student issues, such as the planned apartments and future food service providers. But all of our activities depend on one thing: you! In order to understand your concerns, we need to know what they are. If you ever have any concerns throughout the year, please don't hesitate to drop by our office (downstairs, Oakland Center) or call (248) 370-4290. In addition, our meetings are every Monday at 4pm in the Oakland Room. Feel free to stop by and see what we're all about! The future is full of possibilities (to borrow Congress's slogan!), and I personally look forward to representing you to my fullest potential.

Have a great first week of classes!

Adam Kochenderfer

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## BOOKSTORE

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According to Bryan Urben, junior, engineering major, agrees. "Reserving the books is a good idea, especially for students who have full-time jobs. We don't have the time to find them or wait in long lines."

This pre-order program made its debut last year, following the bookstore remodeling, but was unsuccessful because of the move from a temporary location.

Angela LoPiccolo, a sophomore education major and bookstore employee, has seen the differences from now and then. "The store is ready this year," she said.

"We have more organization and room. Last year it wasn't," she added, "because we were still changing over and everything was started late."

Students can also find any information about the bookstore online, at [www.oubookstore.com](http://www.oubookstore.com). Other online book-buying sites are available, as well.

Some of them include TextbookOutlet.net, Bigwords.com, Amazon.com,

Varsitybooks.com, and Textbooks.com. Each company, sets its own pricing for books, shipping, and handling, and can usually be delivered within three business days.

Students can also get many texts across from campus at the Textbook Outlet in the strip mall on the northeast corner of Walton Blvd. and Squirrel Road.

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## News of the Weird

### LEAD STORIES

**-- In August, entrepreneur Adam Bilski received a license from the city of Oswiecim, Poland (aka Auschwitz) to open a disco on the spot of a World War II-era tannery that "employed" concentration-camp workers and became a gravesite for many of them. And in September, "Stalin's World," a tourist attraction devoted to themes of the World War II-era Soviet police state, is scheduled to open near Gruta, Lithuania, which was a gateway through which 200,000 Lithuanians passed en route to Siberian labor camps. The developer said he even plans to have visitors eventually enter the park on cattle cars and eat oat gruel and fish broth, just as prisoners did.**

### USE COLUMBUS' LIBRARIES AT YOUR OWN RISK

**-- In Columbus, Ohio, on July 12, Lester DeBoard, 36, was sentenced to five years in prison for luring an 11-year-old girl to a far corner of a public library, where he had fondled her feet. (He faces a similar charge in a library building in nearby Worthington, Ohio.) Four days later, police arrested Dwight D. Pannell, 40, for the assault of a 33-year-old female student (a stranger to him) in the main library at Ohio State; with a motive he is keeping to himself, he allegedly pricked her food with a syringe containing an unknown substance.**

### THE ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT

**-- The same engineering firm responsible for the notoriously wobbly Millennium Bridge in London, England, which has been closed as unsafe, was identified as the consultant for the soon-to-be Bioform brassiere, according to an August report in the London Daily Telegraph. The Ove Arup company found that replacing the bra's underwire with plastic band would be more comfortably distribute the load and reduce stress; it is also working on shock absorbers to make the Millennium Bridge once again usable.**

### WEIRD SCIENCE

**-- While U.S. sewage plants efficiently screen out bacteria and solid waste, many older facilities cannot break down certain chemicals and hormones in pharmaceuticals, including pain killers, caffeine, antibiotics and birth control pills, which, as they spread into wastewater, cause environmental harm, including mutations in the reproductive organs of fish. Findings presented at the annual meeting of the American Chemical Society earlier this year (including studies blaming perfumes, along with recent studies from Europe's waterways (involving antidepressants, seizure medication, cancer treatments and cholesterol-lowering compounds) warn that certain species of fish are in jeopardy of extinction.**

### ALSO, IN THE LAST MONTH...

**-- A 49-year-old man shot up a bar, wounding five people, on orders from "the Lord," who said subsequent instructions would come from "Nash Bridges" (Topka, Kan.). A 30-year-old Danish soccer fan returning at night from the Copenhagen-Viborg game in a fans' bus peered out of the skylight and was decapitated by an overpass. And in separate incidents, two elderly people were rescued after enduring three days each, precariously trapped and hidden in rural isolation without food or water (an 83-year-old woman in her car, which plunged off an overpass and hung in a tree above a swamp in Broward County, Fla., and a 75-year-old man in Carroll County, Va., stuck 15 feet down in his outhouse when the floor collapsed).**

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# Arts, Beats & Eats enriches community, student life

By Rachel Rybicki  
OAKLAND POST

The Chrysler Arts, Beats, & Eats fair continued its tradition to bring you the very best, if not one of the most enjoyable art, music and food festivals over this past Labor Day weekend.

89X raved about it. Q95.5, K-Mart, and many others sponsored it. All enjoyed it.

Not only does the festival offer community residents a place to see, hear, and feast on a variety of items, it also gives them a taste of that downtown liveliness that is engulfing many other downtown areas throughout Michigan.

David Jewell, Jr., sophomore, MIS major, agrees.

"It brings everyone together. It's a good way to meet other people and groups that you normally wouldn't encounter. The food and the art was a bonus," he said.

### Arts

The fair featured more than 185 artists and galleries to tickle your senses. Approximately 750 artists from all over the world, some as far as Germany, submitted their hand-crafted creations to be considered for this year's 4-day festival in downtown Pontiac. Many local artists were also featured in this year's event and proved to be just as experienced as their competition. According to the *Sterling Heights Sentry*, the festival is ranked 30th among the best



**METAL MANIA:** The festival in the heart of Pontiac displayed hundreds of works like these pieces from the Metal Luma Collection by local artist Derek Youngquist.

fine arts shows in the United States, and 31st in the "Sunshine Arts Magazine."

It was a great way for students and friends to appreciate modern and classic art. It gave people a chance to take a new look at art and the ways it was portrayed before, and see how much time, work and effort is put into their masterpieces.

But there was more to the festival than just art.

### Beats

Sure, the art was phenomenal, but the music was even better. With six different stages

to choose from, there was a wide variety of music for everyone. Concerts ran all day and into the evening, the last show starting at 10:15 p.m. on most nights. There were over 180 bands that graced the stages from Sept. 1 to Sept. 4, and each brought their own unique part to the festivities.

Such popular bands as Good Charlotte, Eve 6, and Blessed Union of Souls played, as did some local acts, including Paul Rodgers, War and Blue Rodeo. There were also some Christian musical acts that

were represented at the festival.

The local bands brought in the feeling of community, and seemed to want to give something back to the place where they were rooted.

All were appreciated, maybe because the concerts were free, maybe because they were simply there to entertain the mass crowds of people. Students could be seen sitting and standing on the grass outside of the concert area due to lack of space and the overflow of people awaiting their favorite

band.

Many people, especially younger teens and students, came with their boyfriend, girlfriend or good friends to enjoy the music and have a good time.

There were no seats during the concert, so concert-goers stood next to one another, cramped shoulder to shoulder. It was hot and humid most of the days during the festival, so with all of the heat radiating from the band, on top of the heat itself, and with all of the crowd standing too close together and some moshing taking place, things got pretty sticky. But, it was well worth it.

### Eats

Imagine that you are in the middle of downtown and there is any type of food that you have ever wanted to try. That's what it seemed like.

It was a great opportunity for festival-goers to meet new people and to try something a little less ordinary. There were some very different foods, and also some very traditional dishes.

Different ethnic food was also part of the festival. There was anything from adventurous Indian food to regular American food.

The experience was definitely one worth while. The festival is one that adds culture and class to the city's reputation, and gives residents a reason to be proud.

# Movin' On UP the Ladder

By Michael Hoskins  
LOCAL EDITOR

With all of the new businesses decorating the OU community, the variety of off-campus jobs is continuously growing for students.

According to John Sedestrom, General Manager at Cooker, 30-40 percent of his employees are students.

"We offer extreme flexibility when working with students' schedules," he said. "It is a very professional and fun atmosphere, and gives students more of a taste of the real world."

Working outside of OU has its benefits, mostly higher wages that tend to be the main draw for student employees.

"There are too many financial obligations to only have a campus job," said Tim Whiting, sophomore, MIS major. "I need more than that to pay everything off, and to have a little for myself."

On-campus employment, however, has highlights of its own that students often over-



This help wanted sign at a local store is just one of many scattered throughout Oakland County.

look when surveying the employment scene.

The average hourly rate of pay for on campus employment is \$6.35 per hour, where off-campus it is usually higher.

While many students prefer these higher-paying jobs, a large number enjoy the convenience of working on cam-

pus. Sandy Black, freshman, undecided, is one of those students. "Sure, the pay is less [on-campus], but it's easier and more convenient. You don't have to drive anywhere, and you can just walk here in between classes," she said.

According to Jenny Cloutier,

employed each year on-campus, in an estimated 80-100 departments.

"Off-campus jobs usually pay higher wages," said Cloutier. "But on campus jobs can be more convenient for students because on campus employers are more willing to

## Local Businesses Hiring Students:

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Target	T.G.I. Friday's
Applebee's	Buddy's Pizza
Macaroni Grill	Rio Bravo

OU Student Employment Coordinator, there are approximately 1450 students

work around a student's schedule."

Many students prefer working for the university in order to build skills in a particular field, such as general office knowledge.

Whether students choose on-campus or off-campus employment, the opportunities are abundant. The help-wanted signs, which paint all areas of the community, are an open invitation for students to join the team.

## Four Day

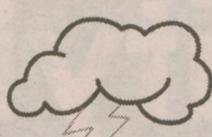
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# WELCOME WEEK



**CROWDING IN THE LOT:** Many students abandon all hope and park illegally when all other alternatives expire. A parking taskforce has been hard at work trying to ease the congestion. (RIGHT) The construction of a parking garage is one idea OU is considering.  
Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

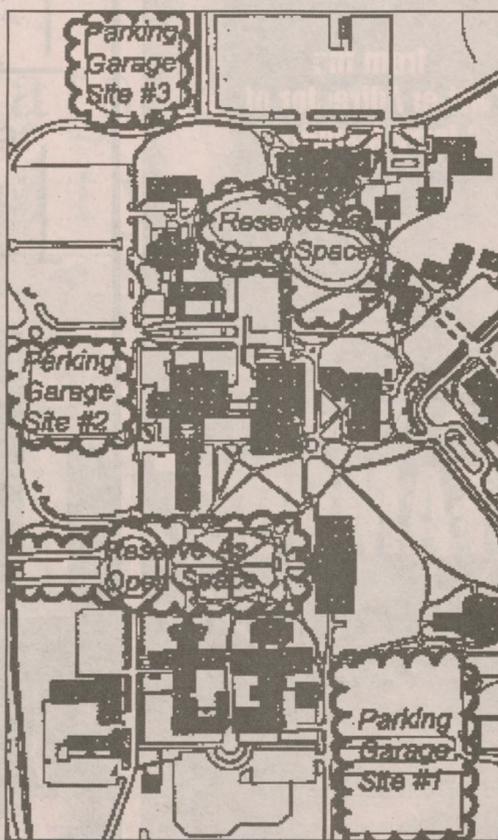


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•Remember: it only takes about 10 minutes to walk across campus.  
•Don't forget to stay calm and stop for all pedestrians in crosswalks!

## Parking resolutions in near future for OU

By Tracy Minnis  
COPY EDITOR

Need some space? According to OU men's basketball coach, Greg Kampe, who chairs both the parking committee and a task force on parking, there could be a lot more space in OU's future.

"I certainly acknowledge the parking problems which students are going through," said Kampe. "The lot built

at the Science and Engineering Building was a temporary fix, but with increasing enrollment, there is much more that needs to be addressed."

According to Kampe, there will be a Parking Consultant on campus for the next 14 weeks to assess the parking situation. In addition to this consultant, Kampe also has a campus letter in the works that will feature a website where students can go to

offer their opinions on the parking issue and state what they'd like to see happen in the future.

- Some tips:
- Don't park illegally- no matter what!
  - Allow about 15 extra minutes to get to class.
  - Avoid the main parking lot if possible.
  - Park in the temporary lot behind the Science and Engineering Building.
  - Be patient, drive safely.

## Events scheduled first weeks of classes to welcome new, returning students

### Wednesday, Sept. 6

- New Student Program Information Table 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m., outside South Foundation Hall  
If there is anything that you can't find or figure out, stop by and ask the professionals.
- Student Affairs Ice Cream Social 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and again from 5:30-6:30 p.m., outside South Foundation Hall  
FREE Ice Cream brings people together. Take a break from your classes and enjoy.
- Late Night with CSA (Center for Student Activities) 5-6:30 p.m., CSA Office, 49 OC  
CSAs first late night on Wednesdays. So stop by for munchies and information about their services.
- Read The Oakland Post.

### 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m., outside South Foundation Hall

- Italian Club Bocce Ball Tournament 11 a.m.-2 p.m., outside between the Oakland Center and Kresge Library  
Have fun competing and learn about Italian culture by playing Bocce Ball.
- Theta Tau's Welcome Back Picnic 12-1 p.m., outside between Dodge Hall and Hannah Hall  
Lots of FREE food and entertainment. Open to students, faculty and staff.
- New Student Convocation 5:30-7:30 p.m., O'Rena Recreation and Athletic Center  
Key note faculty speaker Neil Shine welcomes new students and their families to OU.

### bers of the Association of Black Students.

- SPB Comedy Showdown 5-7 p.m., Vandenberg Dining Center (in Vandenberg dorm)  
Five local comedians entertain and you pick the funniest one. MORE FREE food.
- Sigma Pi Fraternity's Annual Pig Roast 7 p.m.-1 a.m., field across from Family Housing Apartments  
Come out for one of the biggest on campus events this year. Meet people from almost every fraternity and sorority.
- SPB presents an outdoor showing of the movie "American Beauty" 9 p.m., north side of O'Dowd Hall  
Eat popcorn and watch an Oscar winning movie outside under the stars.
- ABS (Association of Black Students) Icebreaker Dance 9 p.m.- 1 a.m., Gold Rooms, OC  
First dance of the year. Lots of music, friends, dancing and fun.

### Thursday, Sept. 7

- New Student Program Information Table

### Friday, Sept. 8

- ABS and Office of Equity "Welcome Back Picnic" 3-5 p.m., outside the Oakland Center on the Patio  
No need to plan for dinner... FREE food. Meet the staff of the Office of Equity and mem-

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Program Board  
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We are open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m., during the academic year.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SEPTEMBER

- ✓ Welcome Week September 5-9
- ✓ Student and Greek Organizations Week: "OakLand Down Under" September 11-15
- ✓ Hispanic Celebration 2000 September 18-22
- ✓ Seniors: Set Your Sails! September 23
- ✓ TARGET Back to College 2000 September 23
- ✓ Career Prep Week September 25-29
- ✓ USC Voter Registration Drive BBQ September 27

### COMING SOON...

- Campus Week of Dialogue on Racism October 2-6
- HEART WALK October 7
- "The Six Senses of WOCOU" Weekend of Champions at Oakland University October 12-14
- OU Alcohol Awareness Week October 15-21
- OU American Red Cross Blood Drive October 23-25
- OC's All-Nighter "FunFest" October 27
- 6th Annual Make a Difference Day October 28

### AT THE CSA SERVICE WINDOW

- ✓ Seniors: Set Your Sails!
- ✓ Reservations for:
  - Annie Get Your Gun
  - Blast!
  - Fiddler on the Roof
  - La Boheme (Opera)
  - Rent
- ✓ Sign up for SPB's Trip to:
  - Mackinac Island (October 6-8)
  - Boston (November 9-12)
- ✓ Tickets for:
  - SPB's Night at Comerica Park: Tigers v. Boston Red Sox (9/15)
  - Second City Touring Company (9/29)
- ✓ Golden Key Honor Cords

✓✓✓ The Oakland Center and The Center for Student Activities has a new Web Page. Click on [www.otus.oakland.edu/oc](http://www.otus.oakland.edu/oc) or go to OU's Homepage and look for the Center for Student Activities under Campus Resources.

### ✓✓✓ REMINDER FOR STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS ✓✓✓

Mandatory Training for Officers: September 16, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Deadline for Re-registration: September 22, 5:00 PM

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Journalist/Author Stanley Crouch  
Monday, October 2  
8:00 p.m. - Meadow Brook Theatre

What's Up With Reality TV? featuring Jenna Lewis from Survivor  
Tuesday, November 14  
8:00 p.m. - Pioneer Court, OC

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## LIFE edge

### ON CAMPUS

•Get some sweet treats at the **ICE CREAM SOCIAL** sponsored by the Vice President of Student Affairs, New Student Programs, and The Placement and Career Services. Eat up between 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m., Sept. 6 between North and South Foundation Halls.

•Need a spice of Italy? Join the Italian club for their **BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT** from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Sept. 7 between the OC and Kresge Library.

•**NEW STUDENT CONVOCATION AND RECEPTION** will be at 5:30-7:30 p.m., Sept. 7 in the Athletic Arena.

•The Association of Black Students and the Office of Equity are hosting a **WELCOME BACK PICNIC** from 3-5 p.m., Sept. 8 on the OC Patio.

•Already feeling the back-to-school blues? Let SPB lighten your spirits at their **COMEDY SHOW-DOWN** at 5 p.m., Sept. 8 in the Vandenberg Dining Center.

•The annual **SIGMA PI PIG ROAST** will be from 7 p.m.-1 a.m., Sept. 8 at the bonfire pit in the lower fields.

•Take a break from the Pig Roast and join SPB for **MOVIE NIGHT** as they present "American Beauty" at 9 p.m., Sept. 9 on the North side of O'Dowd Hall.

•Join InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at their **WELCOME BACK PICNIC**. There will be food and an Ultimate Frisbee Tournament at 1 p.m., Sept. 9 on the upper field. All are welcome!

•**SPB OPEN HOUSE** will be at noon on Sept. 12 in the Gold Rooms.

# "We've been doing it for decades"

## SPB celebrates 20 years of campus entertainment

By Sara McDowell  
LIFE EDITOR

Looking to get involved, or just be entertained? Student Program Board (SPB) is truly the organization for you.

As the largest and most active student organization at OU, the Student Program Board has been delighting OU students since they formed in 1980.

"I want to have an SPB that all Oakland students can be proud of," said Chris Wolfs, SPB Chairperson.

Funded and run entirely by students, this goal should not be too hard to achieve. SPB has over 25 events that they are sponsoring this semester alone.

Some of the planned activities include making your own music

video, a battle of the bands, a trip to Boston, a road rally through Rochester, and showing the films "American Beauty," and "Rocky Horror Picture Show."

"I'm most excited about the Boston trip and the Slam Poet Steve Colman (who comes to OU November 15)," said Wolfs.

SPB is always looking for interested people to get involved with the organization.

If you enjoy planning fun activities or want to show off your creative side by making SPB posters, let SPB know.

To find out more about SPB, or to pick up an events schedule, stop by their office in the lower level of the Oakland Center, visit their website at [www.oakland.edu/ousc/spb](http://www.oakland.edu/ousc/spb), or call 370-4295.



Courtesy of SPB  
Members of SPB take time to have fun at a training retreat they attended at the beginning of August. Pictured L-R are Jeni Mazurek, Lynn Bieszki, Alicia Sanzica, Beth Collins, Nick Pomposelli, and Carl Raysin.

## Did You Know...?

Over the last three years, SPB...

- brought over 20 comedy acts to OU, including Jerry Springer, Sinbad, and The Second City Touring Company.

- showed over 10 free movies including "The Matrix," "American Pie," "My Best Friend's Wedding" and "The Shining." They've also shown numerous Detroit documentaries and independent films.

- sponsored over 10 discounted trips to places such as Chicago, New York City, Toronto, and Shanty Creek.

- produced the Underground Coffeehouse in Pioneer Food Court, which has featured singers such as three-time Grammy nominee Barbara Bailey Hutchinson, Jill Jack, Mike Dorn, and Patchouli.

- sponsored an annual Battle of the Bands, open house, photo contest and Murder Mystery held at Meadow Brook Hall.

- has brought in talks and entertainment by Kato Kaelin, Gordon Bennett, and "1964" ...The Tribute.

- had lectures on creative dating and the art of kissing.

- has provided discounted tickets to plays at places such as The Masonic Temple, Fisher Theatre, and Meadow Brook Theatre.

- thrown outdoor events such as Road Rallies, paint ball, a golf tournament, and swing dancing concerts.

- creates memorable nights with events such as the Stress Free Zone, Psychic, Hypnotist and Casino Nights, a Jazz Formal, Talent Shows, Mock Rock Contests, and Video Dance Parties.

- has also brought in astonishing acts such as jugglers, sword swallows and magicians.

## SPB Calendar of Events for '00

<b>Comedy Showdown</b> Friday, September 8 @ 5 p.m. Vandenberg Cafeteria	<b>"American History X"</b> Wednesday, October 4 @ 8 p.m. North Side of O'Dowd Hall	<b>Steve Colman, Slam Poet</b> Wednesday, November 15 @ noon Fireside Lounge
<b>"American Beauty"</b> Friday, September 8 @ 9 p.m. North Side of O'Dowd Hall	<b>Orange Crush Outdoor Concert</b> Thursday, October 5 @ 8 p.m. North Side of O'Dowd Hall	<b>Ninth Annual Murder Mystery</b> Friday, November 17 @ 8 p.m. Meadow Brook Hall
<b>Make Your Own Music Video</b> Friday, September 13 @ 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Location TBA	<b>Trip to Mackinac Island</b> Friday-Sunday, October 6-8	<b>Caine &amp; Nolan Coffeehouse</b> Saturday, November 18 @ 8 p.m. Heritage Room
<b>"Happy Gilmore"</b> Wednesday, September 20 @ 8 p.m. North Side of O'Dowd Hall	<b>"Shaft"</b> Wednesday, October 18 @ 8 p.m. North Side of O'Dowd Hall	<b>Comedy w/Tommy Blaze</b> Tuesday, November 28 @ 7:38 p.m. Food Court
<b>Big Green X Coffeehouse</b> Saturday, September 23 @ 8 p.m. Heritage Room	<b>Road Rally through Rochester</b> Saturday, October 21 @ noon	<b>Battle of the Bands</b> Friday, December 1 @ 8 p.m. Gold Rooms
<b>Comedy w/Jamie Lissow</b> Tuesday, September 26 @ 7:38 p.m. Food Court	<b>Jason Fisher Coffeehouse</b> Saturday, October 21 @ 8 p.m. Location TBA	<b>Comedy w/Brett Duggan</b> Tuesday, December 5 @ 7:38 p.m. Food Court
<b>Camille Cooper</b> Thursday, September 28 @ 1 p.m. Gold Rooms	<b>Comedy w/Dean Edwards</b> Tuesday, October 24 @ 7:38 p.m. Food Court	<b>Stress Free Zone</b> Wednesday, December 5, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fireside Lounge
<b>Second City Touring Company</b> Friday, September 29 @ 8 p.m. Varner Recital Hall	<b>"Rocky Horror Picture Show"</b> Friday, October 27 @ 8 p.m. North Side of O'Dowd Hall	<b>Totally Stupid Game Show</b> Thursday, December 7 @ noon Fireside Lounge
	<b>Trip to Boston Massachusetts</b> Thursday-Sunday, November 9-12	

## Ringo Starr, his All Starr Band shine

By Carl Savich  
THE OAKLAND POST

Ringo Starr brought his newest line-up of All Stars to the Pine Knob Music Theatre this summer.

Since 1989, Starr has assembled different groups of musicians as his band, which he has taken on the road. The current line-up features legendary Cream bassist Jack Bruce, who is a Rock & Roll Hall of Fame member along with Starr, lead guitarist Dave Edmunds of Rockpile, drummer Simon Kirke of Free and Bad Company, pianist Eric Carmen of The Raspberries, and saxophone player Mark Rivera of the Billy Joel Band.

The legendary former Beatles drummer was in top form as both singer and drummer. Starr first acknowledged the large Knob audience with, "It is great to be back at Pine Knob." He opened with his 1971 signature song, "It Don't Come Easy."

After playing five other songs, Starr passed the spotlight to Carmen, who sang "Hungry Eyes" from the movie "Dirty Dancing," delighting the crowd. Bruce then performed the 1960s anthem "Sunshine of Your Love."

The climatic moment of the concert was when Bruce kick-started Cream's 1966 psy-

chedelic classic "I Feel Free" which had the audience clapping and tapping along. After the song, a certain vibe and groove had been established, and the band and audience were in sync.

Kirke, who followed Bruce, stated in exasperation, "How do you follow that?" He then did a rousing version of Free's 1970 hit, "All Right Now." Edmunds then played two guitar instrumentals and Carmen belted out his huge hit with The Raspberries, "Go All the Way," which had the audience singing along.

The musicianship of all performers was impeccable as they were all in top form. Starr at 60-years-old, can still compete with the greatest drummers in rock and roll.

Bruce was phenomenal on Cream's "White Room," improvising and doing extended bass solos, showing his virtuosity and why he is one of the best and most influential rock bassists.

Kirke sounded good on drums while Rivera brought the songs to life with his sax, especially on the Starr solo songs.



Courtesy of Pine Knob Music Theatre  
Former Beatles member Ringo Starr.

Carmen showed his old form on "All By Myself," a song recently covered by Celine Dion, a solo classic hit from 1976 on which he did long piano solos and orchestral pieces showing his talents as a pianist.

Starr returned to the center stage to perform his solo hits, including "Back Off Boogaloo," "The No No Song," "I'm the Greatest," (a song which John Lennon wrote for him) and his number one smash hit from 1973, "Photograph" (a song he co-wrote with George Harrison), of which Starr stated, "I enjoy singing this song."

The musical legacy of the Beatles increases in stature every year as more and more new fans discover their music. This explains why the audience was a mix of young and old. Starr spotted a young girl and asked her jokingly, "I bet you think I'm Britney!" referring to teen sensation Britney Spears, who also played at Pine Knob this summer.

Starr has lost none of his comic wit, engaging personality, and self-deprecating sense of

humor. At one point, he jokingly stated, "There are the two fans who bought my CD Vertical Man...no there's...a third."

EMI is planning to release a 26-song Beatles greatest hits collection later this year which they predict will be the biggest selling CD album in history. Starr is also planning to release a 3-CD set collection of concerts of the All Stars over the years.

The concert, which lasted for two hours, performed two encores, "You're Sixteen," (which Starr dedicated to "all those who are young and those who are young at heart") and "With a Little Help From My Friends."

The audience was enthusiastic and sang along with the encores. The latter seemed to re-capture some of the spirit of 1967's Summer of Love as the audience sang in unison on one of the anthems of "flower power" and the peace and love generation.

Starr himself best exemplified the theme when he stated in closing, "Peace and love...that is the only way, through peace and love."

Ringo Starr, as always, got by with a little help from his friends... and there was a lot of them at Pine Knob to hear him and his All Starr Band perform.

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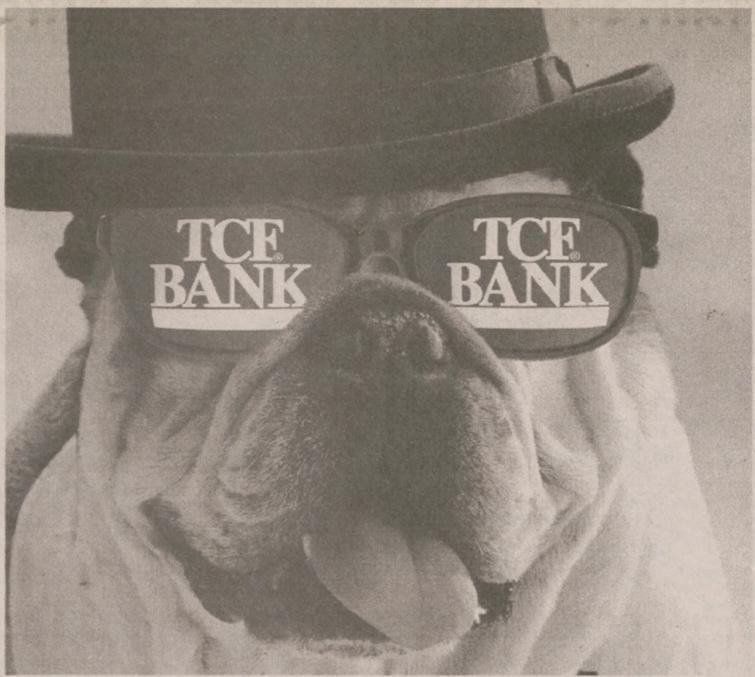
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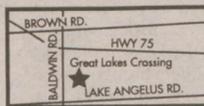
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# Making Money

## OU student becomes winner on "Millionaire"

By Rachel Rybicki  
The Oakland Post

Who wants to be a millionaire? Greg Hummel, an OU student did. He recently appeared on the show on Aug. 27. Hummel said he expected to win at least \$32,000, but only took home \$1,000.

"I just figured, what the heck, sure I'll go on the show," Hummel said. "I just wanted to see if I could win some money."

Hummel, the 21-year-old senior, majoring in business management, made it to the \$4,000 level, and then lost his chance to go further when a question perplexed him and his lifeline didn't give him the correct answer.

"The \$4,000 question was about which one of the continents was the smallest: Australia, Europe, Antarctica or Asia," Hummel said. "I had narrowed it down to two of the four, and I still wasn't sure, so I called my mom's boyfriend."

Hummel said the answer he was given was Europe and figured since he—Mike Ledwidge of Lake Orion, was a "geography buff" he was right, and told Philbin, ABC's host of "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" that his final answer was Europe.

"I'm sorry, the answer is Australia," said Philbin. Hummel said when he heard those words all he could do was put his head in his hands, but he also



Regis Philbin, the host of "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" is one of Greg Hummel's favorite TV stars. Philbin remembers Hummel as being a nice kid and a pleasure to have on the show.

knew that he may have never have made it that far, and is thankful that he did.

"I have to look on the bright side you know," Hummel said. "It could be worse, I could've not gotten in the 'hot seat' at all."

Hummel was one of the two contestants out of ten

who earned a chance in the hot seat facing Philbin.

"It was exciting, but I was most nervous in the studio," Hummel remembers, "Because there was a ton of people in the audience. I wasn't even thinking about the people at home."

Being in the hot seat wasn't the only thing that left

Hummel "smiling all day." He also got to meet Philbin, one of Hummel's favorite stars.

"I was excited to meet him, and a little nervous too," Hummel said. "But he was really nice both on and off camera."

When Philbin was asked what he remembered about Hummel he replied, "I remember him. He was a nice kid."

Hummel's mom, Carrie Hayden, is an even bigger fan of the show and of Philbin, which is one of the reasons Hummel asked her to accompany him to New York for filming.

"I really like the show, but she loves it more than anything," said Hummel. "Plus I've been close to my mom and I figured she'd be really excited."

And she was.

The Oakland Press reported on Monday, Aug. 28, that Hummel knew he had won a chance to be on the show when he saw his mom jump up and down, smiling during the fast-finger question.

"I knew I had it right, but I wasn't sure if I was gonna get to be in the hot seat," Hummel said. "Then I saw my mom's face and I knew."

Even though Hummel didn't go home a millionaire, he said he would do it all over again.

"Sure, I'd do it again unfortunately I can't," Hummel said. "Once you're on the show, that's it, you only get one chance, but if I could do it again, I definitely would."

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## Kid Rock sells out Pine Knob, entertains fans for three nights

### History of Rock tour proves the Kid has staying power

By Dan Steffy  
THE OAKLAND POST

As summer draws to an end, the last big event for many Detroiters will be going to see Kid Rock in concert. Kid Rock sold out an unprecedented three shows at Pine Knob Music Theater for the end of Aug. and beginning of Sept.

Originally, there was only one show, but when that sold out in a matter of minutes, adding a second, and third show was no problem for this Detroit area native.

Kid Rock, accompanied by Joe C the rapping sidekick, took Detroit by storm. Before the show on Aug. 25, the parking lot was full of enthusiastic fans standing on top of their cars, blaring music and getting pumped for the show. As a spotlight searched the stage for Kid Rock, the self-proclaimed "Trailer-park Pimp" he began with "Where You At, Rock?" He made his entrance on a motorcycle, onto a stage with platforms and a huge light-up sign glowing "Kid Rock." Dressed in a wife beater for most of the show, Kid Rock's play list included old music as well as new.

After a quick "pimped out," costume change and the lowering of a giant disco ball, Rock performed "Early Mornin' Stoned Pimp."

Finishing up the set with his hit "Bawitdaba," he left the audience full of energy and wanting more.

Kid Rock's wide range of influences is what makes him such a unique artist. Growing up listening to everything from Johnny Cash to Lynyrd Skynyrd to Run DMC, his music is sometimes described as "heavy metal meets rap."

This singer and instrumentalist's unique style can be attributed to his ability to intertwine the sounds of blues, rock, and rap. Kid Rock is not only the "white rapper" some have come to know him as, but a talented, all around musician and performer. He can also play the guitar, piano, bass, drums, turntables, and just about anything else thrown at him. "Grit Sandwiches for Breakfast," the 1990 debut

release was his first taste of success. He toured with Ice Cube and reached a national audience. However, it

was not until 1998 when Kid Rock, signed with Atlantic Records, released "Devil Without A Cause," which

recently went nine times platinum brought Kid Rock into the mainstream. Following the

release of this album, Kid Rock became a staple of metro Detroit Radio stations, as well as other cities across the nation. His latest claim to fame, "History of Rock," was released in spring of 2000, which includes the hit single "American Bad Ass."

Included in his long list of accomplishments, "Yodeling in the Valley," off Kid Rock's first LP, "Grit Sandwiches for Breakfast," holds the record for the highest fine ever issued by the FCC. Radio station WSUC-FM of New York State

University at Cortland was issued a fine for nearly twice the standard amount for airing this incredibly vulgar song. The radio station and Kid Rock fought the fine full force, and after losing a debate with Kid Rock himself at a New Music seminar, the FCC eventually withdrew their fine.

Kid Rock is an all around great performer and musician. His latest string of concerts lived up to their promise, the promise of a show so good it sold out three Pine Knob performances. All the music fans that came out had a blast and got to see Kid Rock, "American Bad Ass" rock Detroit like never before.

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#### SPORTS NEWS

•Women's varsity tennis tryouts will be held Sept. 6-8 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Meadow Brook tennis courts. Contact head coach Heather Redshaw at (248) 370-3105 for further information.

•The athletic department grants three promotions to Tracy Huth, Simon Dover, and Amy Hirschman. Huth, who has served as Assistant AD/Student Services and Compliance, is now the Associate Athletic Director. Dover has been promoted to Assistant AD for Finance and Administration from his business manager position. Hirschman, who is now Assistant AD for Communications is also the department's Senior Woman Administrator.

## Teeters' departure sits poorly with women swimmers

### Coach 'drowns' in paperwork

By Ramez Khuri & Lisa Cali  
SPORTS EDITOR & ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Women's swim coach Scott Teeters won't be returning to the pool this season and that has perplexed many people around campus. Last year, led by Teeters, the women won the Mid-Con Championship, placed second at the NIC Championship meet and broke four 'NIC (National Independent Conference) records and five school records.

Last year was also the first time in school history that an OU athlete competed at the NCAA Division I Championship level when Teeters' team member, Georgi Kinsela, swam at the NCAA meet.

Despite that record, Teeters will not return for a third season. The problem, in fact, were all the records because Teeters wasn't up to date on the paperwork.

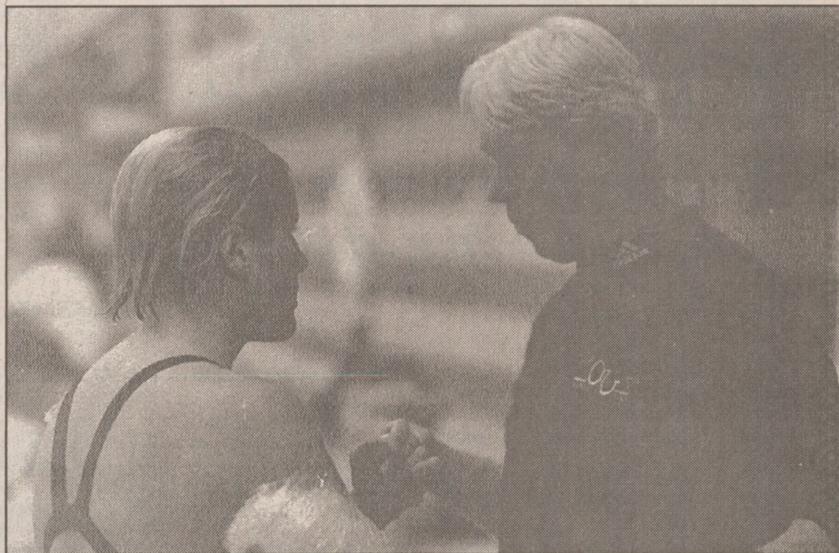
A source within the athletic department said Teeters lost his support staff and couldn't keep up with the team paperwork because he put all of his efforts into the swim team. That was the excuse for not giving him a new contract. There were also reportedly some personality conflicts within the athletic staff and an alleged protocol violation when Teeters missed a team flight from Florida after the NIC meet.

Teeters' departure left team members angry and upset. At least three swimmers transferred schools, others simply quit the team. "I transferred to Northern Arizona because our coach got fired," said Kristen Kursiss. "The whole team was upset. It was a great season last year, and we had a lot of fun. I was really surprised and really upset because I came to Oakland because of Scott."

Teammate Rachele Atrasz also transferred to Northern

**WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT:** Former women's swim coach, Scott Teeters instructs a member of his 1999-2000 team. Teeters' contract was not renewed.

Bob Knoska  
The Oakland Post



Arizona. "It was B.S., they didn't give him a legit reason why they fired him, and they just made up some crap. They ripped our team apart, and I think he got fired because of something personal. They never liked him in the athletic department. I am done with that school, they fucked it up basically for us," she said.

Another high profile departure was Kinsela who transferred to the University of Hawaii.

Returning team member Kristen Lesnau, a junior, agreed with her former colleagues. "A lot of our success had to do with our coach," she said. "The reason he isn't coming back is not because of his coaching abilities. He did awesome things for our team, and I guess, as far as we know, it was more of the administrative duties."

Associate Athletic Director Tracy Huth said, "Like many of our coaches, he was on a one-year contract, and we decided not to renew it. We thought it was in our best interest to make a change from an administrative standpoint...There is quite a bit of responsibility outside of the realm of what you do at practice."

Huth acknowledged, "There was a gap there...it wasn't a good fit."

He also added, "Just because someone doesn't get the paperwork done, you can deal with that." That seemed to hint at other problems.

Even though last year's swimmers are upset, Teeters, who is now a special education teacher at Lake Orion, stayed positive.

"There were some differences, like there always are, and that's okay because the team's going to do well," he said. "I wish them the best of luck, and I want to thank everyone at the university for giving me an opportunity to coach for two years, especially the athletes who bought into what we were doing and who made the program so successful."

"I want the kids that can come to Oakland University who are choosing to be part of that swim program to feel the same kind of rewards, and to get the same kind of rewards out of it that I received. I miss the kids, but they will do well."

The women's team is now headed by Pete Hovland, who has been coaching the men's team for 19 years at OU.

Hovland, who will head both teams this season, had no input in the Athletic Department's decision.

"I guess you're always surprised when something like that happens," said Hovland. "At the same token, the Athletic Department and the administrators are going to do what they feel is in the best interest of the program. Who am I to say, they made the decision, and they felt that this was the best move at this particular time, and now it's up to me to keep the program moving in a positive and forward direction, and I aim to do that."

The exodus of many of the women swimmers will not affect OU's Title IX eligibility, said Huth.

Title IX requires that women and men's sports be treated equally on campus with scholarship and playing opportunities open to both sexes.

## Two Grizzlies compete in Olympic games

By Lisa Cali  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

With the Olympics right around

the corner, many athletes are heading to Sydney, Australia for the biggest competition of their lives. Included are two OU athletes,



GOING FOR THE GOLD: Haitham Hassan of the men's swimming team will travel to Sydney, Australia to represent Egypt and OU at the Olympics

Haitham Hassan of the men's swimming team and Anita Rapp of the women's soccer team.

Rapp will be playing for the Norwegian soccer team, whose first game is against the U.S. team on September 14.

Upon returning from Sydney, Rapp will finish out the season at OU.

"Her teammates are excited for her," women's soccer coach Nick O'Shea said. "I think competing in the Olympics is a difficult thing to do. It inspired the team, but realistically, not everybody on the team can make the Olympics."

Rapp was unavailable for comment, as she is out of the country preparing for competition.

Hassan, who will be swimming the 100m backstroke, 100m butterfly, and 200m individual medley for the Egyptian team, competed in

the Olympic trials near the end of said. Hassan placed first in the aforementioned events, as well as the 50m butterfly and the 50m backstroke, breaking the national record in each event.

"I was so scared at trials," Hassan said. "Our conference ended just a month and a half before the trials and that was the biggest meet here, plus I had jet lag from the flight."

Hassan's nervousness didn't show in his performance, and he hopes that will repeat in Sydney.

His first event, the 100m backstroke, will take place on September 17. OU swimming coach Pete Hovland will be in close quarters to support Hassan.

"I'll be coaching him," Hovland

"The Egyptians made arrangements for me to travel with him and have credentials so I can be on the deck with him."

**"I want to represent my country in a good way..."**

Haitham Hassan,  
Men's swim team

Both Hassan and Hovland are extremely excited about the trip and the competition, but they have a plan to stay focused.

"We'll start to build his confidence and excitement level," Hovland said. "Right now, though, we're just trying to stay focused with his training, not let him get ahead of himself, and keep him grounded."

According to Hassan, staying grounded will not be a problem.

"I told myself, I did the work, now I have to leave whatever happens to God. I want to present my country in a good way and just do

## Welcome back to school, say goodbye Grant Hill

Hello, and welcome back to this wonderful section of the newspaper; I like to call The Oakland Post sports section. For those who don't know me, my name is Ramez.

As the new sports editor, I plan to continue covering all of OU's sports, including ones that didn't get too much coverage last year. I know some of you were a little upset that some teams got a little more coverage than others, and with the help of the assistant sports editor, Lisa Cali, I will do my best to give equal coverage to all of our teams. For those who do know me, and my writing, you know that in addition to writing about OU sports, I also like to talk about our pro-teams as well, and boy, do I have some things to say!

Before I get into that though, I would like to welcome back all of our athletes and coaches. I hope you all had a great summer and are now ready to kick some ass. I hope you all have great seasons this year, and to coach Beckie Francis I would like to say, BEAT VALPO!!!!

I would also like to thank coach Greg Kampe for creating OU's first ever sports writing class. For those who happen to see him walking around the athletic department, or around campus for that matter, please give him a round of applause, and tell him that it was from me.

Okay, I got all of that stuff out of the way, so let's get down to the nitty gritty.

Now that Grant Hill's reign of terror at the Palace is over, the Pistons, under Mr. Dumars, can continue to progress in the right direction. Don't take that the wrong way, Hill is a pretty good player in the league, but not a superstar, and quite frankly, I got so sick and tired of everybody talking about him like he was the next coming of Christ. In my opinion, a superstar is one that makes his whole team better, and in crunch time, will win the game for you if that's what the job calls for. I can



Ramez Khuri

only remember one time where he did that. ONE TIME!! Maybe he did it more than once, but I sure as hell don't remember it, and I watched a lot of Pistons games over the years. A superstar also will not follow recent trends, and quit on his team, like a certain ex-Detroit Lion did who will remain nameless (BS).

The thing I commend Hill on is, he spoke to the media after he made the decision, and didn't rely on his dad to do it like BS did, but that's it.

So, Mr. Hill can take his Fila's, Sprite, and McDonalds french fries and follow BS right out of town. Personally, I hope Orlando (the team he decided to play for) is so crappy this season that they don't even make the playoffs. Wouldn't that be great?

Back to Mr. Dumars. I think he is doing an excellent job so far. Bringing in Mateen Cleaves from

MSU was brilliant. The last time the Pistons had a solid point guard, a good team was built around him, that eventually won two championships. I could be wrong, but I get the impression that Cleaves has that same kind of leadership ability that Isiah Thomas had. He doesn't have the same type of offensive skill, but I think that will come eventually.

Dumars knows what he is doing, and I know the Pistons don't look too good right now, but be patient, I truly believe this team has turned the corner, and is just starting to climb its way back up.

I just hope that a certain Detroit Tiger (JG) doesn't decide to continue the trend, or I will have to unload another verbal assault, and I really don't like to put people down.

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# New volleyball season brings more players, renewed hope to OU

## Tolentino works early on winning attitude

By Ramez Khuri  
SPORTS EDITOR

This season's Grizzly volleyball team has many new things to look forward to. Just the fact that head coach Ed Tolentino is here to start the season will improve the whole winning attitude that every team needs in the preseason.

"Last year I wasn't here for preseason," said Tolentino. "I didn't get to set the tone I wanted for the beginning of the year."

That tone seems to have set in nicely already. The team is poised and looking forward to improving the 6-24 record from a year ago.

Tolentino has seven of the nine players from last season's squad returning, along with seven new players.

"This year I have depth, which I didn't have last year," said Tolentino. "I also have recruited some experienced players who have played college level volleyball."

Among the new players are Cheryl Briddell, a 5'9" outside hitter, and Lauren Kostel, who is coming off a two year program from Parkland College, which won

the junior college national championships. She was also nominated MVP of the tournament.

Among the new seven are two walk-ons. "I love to talk about the walk-ons because of the attitude they bring to the team," said Tolentino. "They are Lauren Bramos and Andrea Clark, and they're in it because they want to be a part of the team and the program because they love the sport of volleyball. I couldn't have picked a better two that showed up," he said.

Tess Pierce, a 6'1" junior who is returning to the team agrees with her coach. "This year's team is going to be a lot stronger than last year's team because we only had nine players, and we have a coach from the beginning, and he has instilled a sense of team unity and being positive about the up-coming season. It will be a lot more fun with a whole new attitude and atmosphere."

Cortney Varterasian, a 5'11" freshman, said, "I felt very welcome, and I don't feel any negative vibes at all from anyone, and so there's no attitude problems. We seem to get along really well, and team unity is one of our main goals this season."

**SPIKE THE BALL:** Andrea Cothren spikes the ball during a game last year, as Kim Shetler looks on. Cothren returns to the team this season along with all but two of last year's players, and seven new players. Head coach Ed Tolentino has established a winning attitude that wasn't here at the start of last season. The team finds itself at 1-3 after the first four games of the season.



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## UPCOMING GAMES

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

•3:00 p.m., Sept. 9, vs. Wisconsin (Wisconsin Tournament).

•1:00 p.m., Sept. 10, vs. George Mason (Wisconsin Tournament).

### MEN'S SOCCER

•5:00 p.m., Sept. 8, vs. Gonzaga (San Diego Tournament).

•3:30 p.m., Sept. 10, vs. San Diego (San Diego Tournament).

### VOLLEYBALL

•5:00 p.m., Sept. 8, vs. Texas Southern (Iowa Tournament).

•2:00 p.m., Sept. 9, vs. Evansville (Iowa Tournament).

•6:00 p.m., Sept. 9, vs. Iowa (Iowa Tournament).

•7:00 p.m., Sept. 12, EASTERN MICHIGAN.

### MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

•Time TBA, Sept. 9, at Tommy Titan Classic.

### WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

•Time TBA, Sept. 9, at Tommy Titan Classic.

### MEN'S GOLF

•Time TBA, Sept. 10-12, at Detroit Titan Invitational.

## SPORTS NEWS

•Rob Brockman, of OU's baseball team has been named second team all-Region as a third baseman, as well as first team all-Mid-Continent Conference. Last year, Brockman set the school record for home runs in a season with 14.

•OU's tennis team will start the 2000-01 season with new head coach Heather Redshaw, who has taken over the position previously filled by Kris Jeffrey. Redshaw also holds a full time position at the Rochester Hills Swim and Tennis Club.

# Soccer teams start seasons

By Lisa Cali  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The men's soccer team began its season on a good note, defeating the Detroit Titans 5-1 in an exhibition game.

The single first-half goal was scored by senior Jeppe Lagerbohm three minutes into the game.

The men stepped it up during the second half when senior Paul Snape scored the second and fourth goals for OU. Junior Chris King scored the third goal as well as OU's fifth and final goal.

The men were happy that the season opener was a victory and hope the remainder of the season will follow its lead as well as show improvement in their performance.

"Our play was a little sloppy," said head coach Gary Parsons. "We improved a lot in the second half and we were able to get behind them. That was a key in the game."

The team has prepared with pre-season training as well as play in other leagues.

Seniors Viggo Anthonson, Adam Heinemann and Snape competed in the Premier Development League over the summer and helped lead the Mid-Michigan Bucks to the PDL finals.

The OU men will be competing in the San Diego tournament this weekend. They play against Gonzaga at 5 p.m. on September 8 and San Diego at 3:30 p.m. on September 10.

By Tera Van Tiem  
THE OAKLAND POST

Thirty-one players make up the women's soccer team this season, eleven are freshman.

OU has seven starters returning from last season's roster, including senior mid-fielder Anita Rapp, who will be playing for Norway in the 2000 summer Olympics held in Australia. She will be back in the regular season to help the team defend its Mid-Con championship.

Heading into his seventh year of coaching the women's team, head coach and 1999 Mid-Con coach of the year, Nick O'Shea said he loves the game of soccer and enjoys meeting such quality individuals.

"We have a talented group this year," he said. "It's a younger team, so I hope they can understand the demands of the game over a three month period. They need to play with intensity, and if they can step in and do that, we can have a very good season."

O'Shea said the team has shown good strong points such as being able to score six goals in the first two games of the season. He looks forward to seeing his talented young team continue to compete, fight and play hard.

"If the team isn't able to beat last year's record, that doesn't mean our team has gotten any worse," O'Shea said. "There is different competition out there, and we could be playing even better this year."



**GET THE BALL:** Anita Rapp of the women's soccer team battles a GVSU player for the ball during a game last season. Rapp will play on the Norwegian team in the Olympics in Sydney, Australia this month. She'll return to the Grizzlies later this season.

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# Mid-Continent Conference Standings

Women's Soccer		Men's Soccer	
	Overall*	IUPUI	
Oral Roberts	3-2	Oakland	2-0
Oakland	1-1-1	Western Illinois	0-0-1
IUPUI	1-3	Oral Roberts	1-1
Western Illinois	1-3	UMKC	0-1
Valparaiso	0-3	Valparaiso	0-2
Youngstown State	0-4	Southern Utah	0-2
Southern Utah	0-0	Chicago State	0-0
UMKC	0-0	Youngstown State	0-0
Chicago State	0-0		0-0

\*No conference standings are available to date

# the Golden Grizzly

## TESS PIERCE

Junior Tess Pierce was named to the all-tournament team last weekend, when the Grizzlies traveled to the Duquesne Invitational. The team finished the tournament with a 1-3 record. Tess led the volleyball team in kills in three of the four games played in the tournament. Her major is biology.

-Ramez Khuri



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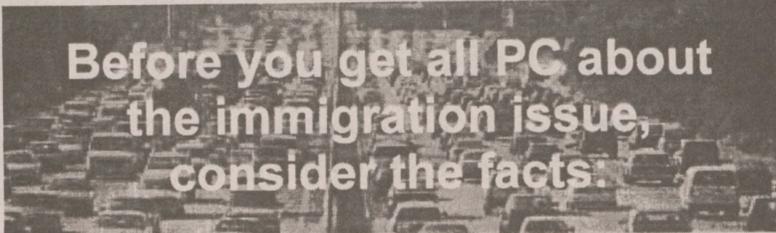
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•Need books and supplies? Visit the OU Bookstore (370-2404) in the lower level of the OC. Special hours during welcome week are: Tues.-Fri., 8 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat., 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sun., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

On-Campus Jobs! Sign up for student employment with your social security card and a picture ID at the Financial Aid Office, 161 North Foundation Hall.

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## Campus Recreation happenings for fall!

Hurry in for the best fitness class times! Schedules for activities/ special events are available now at the welcome center desk. Fall outdoor intramural sports-tennis, flag football, soccer and co-ed basketball entries are due Friday, September 15. For additional information on these and other intramural sports, as well as Rec Center membership options and specialty classes call 370-4732.

## The Academic Skills Center,

103 North Foundation Hall, (248) 370-4215 would like to welcome students to the fall 2000 semester. We offer tutoring for most 100 and 200 level courses, and our tutors are students who've taken the courses you're taking. STOP BY!!! We also have handouts that offer tips for taking better notes, reading college textbooks, and writing research papers. Tutoring jobs are also available.

## THIS WEEK

Graham Health Center representatives will be in the hall of the OC on Sept. 5 from 1-3 p.m. to welcome new and returning students to OU. "Healthy Beginnings" is GHC's goal for OU students. There will be written materials available regarding a healthy lifestyle and GHC's services. Please stop by and see us. FRESH FRUIT will be available to celebrate your FRESH START at OU.

PAUSE Kick-Off Event is Wed., Sept. 6 at Mulligan's Golf Center. Transportation is provided and leaves from the Meadow Brook Theatre at 4 p.m.. Buses will return by 7:30 p.m. Call 370-3465.

New Student Convocation & Reception will be held in the Athletic Arena at 5:30 on Thurs., Sept. 7.

The Student Affairs Ice Cream Social will be held on Wed., Sept. 6 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5-6:30 p.m. between North and South Foundation Halls.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

•Sept. 25, 5-6 p.m., Placement & Career Services will hold a Career Success Panel Discussion in the Fireside Lounge of the OC. Panelists will include successful OU alums who will talk about their career paths in the fields of health care management, banking, engineering, and pharmaceuticals.

Sept. 28, 12-3 Placement & Career Services hosts its Career Fair in the Recreation Center. Don't miss out on the opportunity to interview with employers and learn about career opportunities within their organizations!

The staff in the Student Affairs Division would like to welcome back all OU students and new freshmen. We hope you have a successful fall semester!

# Joust Do It



AMAZING DAYS, WILD KNIGHTS: A crowd of people enjoy one of the many improv shows on one of the 15 themed stages at the Renaissance Festival in Holly. Festival entertainers often use the assistance of audience members to act out a show, creating hilarious and memorable performances.

Photo by The Oakland Post

## Staff member, students entice Renaissance audiences

By Amy Wilson  
THE OAKLAND POST

William Shakespeare is alive. Well, almost. At this year's 21st Annual Michigan Renaissance Festival, OU performing arts coordinator, Thomas Aston, is playing the bard—right down to the stockings. Sonnets in hand, Aston holds public readings thrice daily at the market square fountain on the festival grounds in Holly. He also hosts daily performances of "The Taming of the Shrew."

But he hasn't always played Shakespeare. In his 21 years at the festival, he's performed a myriad of jobs and brought a host of characters to life. Minneapolis-based Mid-America Festivals, the corporation that runs the Michigan Renaissance Festival, first contacted him in 1979.

"When they decided to use Michigan as a site for a festival, they simply called the university asking for someone to give help in finding talent and helping seek land on which to perform. I was in the theater department at the time," Aston said. "The first three years, I did that sort of on-the-sidelines support system work and in the third season I started performing."

Aston estimates there are about a half dozen OU students in the entertainment division alone. But because there are so many students involved in other aspects of the festival, it's difficult to keep track of them all.

"I'm not even sure (how many other students work here) because we never cross paths. But we probably have a dozen or so graduates of the university."

One current OU student that works at the festival is secondary education student and English major Jeff Kass. Kass is in his fifth season

working with the Renaissance festival.

"It's my third year as a resident cast member," he said. "The first two years I was in the academy."

The festival performers are required to participate in an open audition so that management can determine their caliber of talent before deciding to decline or accept them. If accepted, performers are required to participate in a two-season training academy, which includes two three-hour sessions twice per week for ten weeks, plus 6-10 company rehearsals and 15 performance days. The sessions include lessons in improv comedy, Renaissance etiquette, culture, history, language, general theater and costume workshops.

"We even spent three workshops this year on how our character walks down the street," Kass said.

While Aston's character of Shakespeare is a very real historical figure, Kass' is an entirely fictitious Scottish poet named Erasmus MacNeil.

"Our characters all have personal histories and families, we all have occupations, hopes, dreams, fears. We're not just a bunch of people

who get in a costume and run around and do goofy stuff," Kass said. "There's really a lot of depth to every individual out here and I think that's something people who walk into the fair don't really know or expect, so they really don't take the time to really sit and try to delve into the characters."

Erasmus MacNeil, Kass' character, is a totally naïve Scottish poet who doesn't have a clue about women.

"I started with Scottish because that was a fun accent that I could pull off," Kass said. "I did do a lot of research on Scottish history and heritage, especially about kilts. There are lots of actually Scottish people, enthusiasts even, who come up and ask all sorts of questions."

Kass said sometimes people come up to the characters with no intentions of asking questions. Since his character wears a kilt, he is especially vulnerable.

"I average at least once a year that I get grabbed, and I'll leave it at that," he said. "Once by a man, but mostly by women."

Both Kass and Aston love the one-on-one contact with festival patrons.

"The thing that is absolutely fascinating is to be reading Shakespeare and having a guy in an Izod shirt and Bermuda shorts with his wife, sitting next to a guy wearing a tie and a three piece suit, sitting next to a guy and woman who have Harley Davidson leather on," Aston said. "Each and every one of them react the same way to the poetry."

"I love the fact that my job is to make people forget the fact that they have taxes and house payments and car payments and that little Billy's failing the fourth grade," Kass said. "Just for a little bit of time I get to bring them into a world that I've always loved and share some of that joy, some of that love with them."

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Secondary Education

## Remaining Festival Weekends

### Highland Fling

September 9-10

Witness amazing feats of strength as the North American Masters Caber Toss Champions demonstrate their skill at hurling a twenty-foot caber end-over-end. Don't miss the Bagpipe Blowout and Dance Competition.

### Sweet Endings

September 23-24

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### The Emerald Isle

September 16-17

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## Renaissance Talk

A Renaissance village would hardly be complete without the exchanging of colorful insults commonly used in the 16th century. To construct a Shakespearean insult, combine one word from each of the three columns below, and preface with "Thou."

### Column 1

bawdy  
beslobbering  
clouted  
droning  
frothy  
gorbellied  
loggerheaded  
mewling  
pauchy  
puny  
quailing  
rank  
unmuzzled

### Column 2

beef-witted  
clay-brained  
dismal-dreaming  
dread-bolted  
earth-vexing  
full-gorged  
hedge-borned  
knoty-padded  
motley-minded  
onion-eyed  
pox-marked  
tickle-brained  
urchin-snouted

### Column 3

apple-john  
barnacle  
bum-bailey  
canker-blossom  
death token  
dewberry  
flax-wench  
haggard  
harp  
lout  
measle  
varlet  
wagtail

# For Your ENTERTAINMENT

### Pieces from the past

The Meadow Brook Art Gallery is hosting: "8 Years, 9 Months, 6 Hours: a Retrospective of Paintings by Peter Williams."

Williams is no stranger to the Detroit area. He is an Associate Professor at Wayne State University and has pieces hanging in the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The exhibition will contain over 30 paintings and will be running Sept. 8-Oct. 15. This show is free to the OU community and the public.

Call x3005 for more information.

### The who's who in the video world

MTV's annual "Video Music Awards" will be at 8 p.m., Thurs. Sept. 7.

The broadcast will be live from Radio City Music Hall in New York City.

Tune in for your favorite artists, including performances from: Blink 182, DMX, Eminem, Janet Jackson, 'NSYNC, Rage Against the Machine, Red Hot Chili Peppers and Britney Spears. The event will be hosted by the Waynans Bros.

### Music for the soul

FM 98 WJLB presents Brian McKnight, live at the Fox Theatre.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m., Friday Sept. 8.

Tickets are still available. The cost is \$30.00-\$37.50 and can be ordered by phone at 248-433-1515.

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### Weekly Comedian

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