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Parking prescription

New 550-space structure opens Tuesday

By ADAM DEMENIUK
THE OAKLAND POST

Drivers scouring OU's crowded parking lots for spaces will soon have another option.

The new parking structure, located on Pioneer Drive near the Education and Human Services Building, is scheduled to open Tuesday, according to Rusty Postlewate, associate vice president for Facilities Management.

The structure has three levels and 550 parking spots. Parking in the structure will be free and there are no restrictions on who can use it.

For many students, the structure is a welcome addition to campus.

Jessica Westbrook, freshman, said she thinks the structure will help reduce the amount of time it takes students to walk from their cars to their classes.

"I think the structure will make parking easier for students on the east side of campus, and students won't have to walk so far," she said. "It'll probably open parking on the west side too."

The \$6 million structure was designed by Detroit-based B.E.I. and



Construction workers put the finishing touches on OU's three-level parking structure. University officials hope the structure will relieve some of the congestion in campus parking lots.

Associates. J.M. Olson, the company that built the Education and Human Services building, was contracted for the construction.

The structure was financed

through a bond issue.

"It was a bond issue that was part of a bigger bond issue. The issue funded the parking structure, all student apartments, a portion of the

new education building, the electrical power upgrade project and the Oakland Center expansion," Postlewate said.

Although no official opening ceremony is planned for Tuesday, Postlewate said a photographer will probably be on hand to snap a shot of the first car to take advantage of the structure.

Although he is hopeful the structure will alleviate many parking headaches, Postlewate said the university might add additional parking spaces in the future.

"Assuming enrollment continues to grow, we may need to do something else. We're already initiating another discussion about another (parking structure)," he said.

Postlewate said one of the features of the structure is a counter that will notify drivers if it is full.

According to Postlewate, OUPD will monitor the structure with closed circuit TV. There will also be Emergency Blue Light phones mounted on the walls in each level.

The construction of the structure took seven months and the planning began more than two years ago.

Knollenberg riles OUSC

By GAYLE ISSA
MANAGING EDITOR

The OU Student Congress had a taste of real-world politics during its Oct. 28 meeting. The mounting fervor surrounding the Nov. 5 elections was mirrored in the meeting during which Republican incumbent Congressman Joe Knollenberg spoke.

This year's nationwide redistricting after the 2000 U.S. Census meant Michigan lost a representative. If Knollenberg is re-elected, OU and Rochester will be within the parameters of his new district.

Though known locally for Rouge River's clean up, his work with the House Policy Committee on National Security and Foreign Affairs made him the target of questions on international issues.

Director of Student Services Sumeera Younis, sophomore, challenged the validity of the war on terrorism and instead suggested that the money currently used for military effort should be spent on domestic programs.

Legislator Zvonko Blazevski, senior, asked for Knollenberg's stance on funding Egypt since the Egyptian government imprisoned a citizen for undemocratic reasons. He said his questions were provoked by his belief that U.S. foreign policy is hypocritical.

Legislator Jeremy Kopp, junior, also raised the issue of the detainees in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and said their treatment was a violation of international ethics. Knollenberg responded, "They (the

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Rhetoric professor explores literacy in technological age

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

As part of the President's Colloquium Series, Alice Horning, professor of rhetoric and linguistics at OU, will present "Reading, Writing and Digitizing: Critical Literacy in the Internet Age" in a talk about her research at 11:30 a.m., Nov. 12 in the OC Gold Rooms.

Horning's research centers on literacy development in a computer age.

"I want to explain how reading works, including both the mental processing mechanisms and the mechanisms that work for Web pages and the distinctive features of language and electronic materials on which those processes operate," Horning said.

Horning said she will examine ancient manuscripts and include interactive exercises to illustrate key points.

"All of my research is focused on how readers and writers meet in a text for the purpose

of exchanging meaning. I have looked most recently, for example, at how professional writers work to make their writing accessible to readers through processes of revision," she said.

Horning added that literacy is vital to everyday life.

"My goal is to help everyone understand reading and writing more fully ... No one reads fast enough or well enough, whether a first-year student at Oakland or a faculty member with a Ph.D.," she said.

"I will talk about how our understanding of the nature of reading helps to explain what we need to do as writers, in print or on the Web," she said. "The goal overall is to help everyone be better at reading and writing, print and electronic."

The event is open to the public, and reservations must be made by Friday. For more information, call (248) 370-4648.

VPs receive pay increase

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The interim Provost and the General Counsel/Secretary to the Board of Trustees received 6 percent salary increases this year. The other three vice presidents received 4 percent raises.

The raises mean Vice President of Academic Affairs and Interim Provost Virinder Moudgil will now make \$171,600 and General Counsel/Secretary to the Board of Trustees Victor Zambardi now receives \$119,390. Vice President for Finance and Administration Lynne Schaefer makes \$157,564. Vice President for University Relations Susan Davies Goepf makes \$141,690 and Vice President for Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder's salary is \$137,216.

Among the deans, the Dean of the School of Engineering and Computer Science Pieter Frick received a 5 percent raise bringing his salary to \$170,424. The Dean of the School of Business Administration John Gardner received a 4 percent raise for a salary of \$172,901, which is second to President Gary

Russi's salary.

Rounding-out the category of deans, the Dean of the School of Health Sciences Ronald Olson, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences David Downing, the Dean of the School of Education and Human Services Mary Otto and the Dean of the University Library Elaine Didier now earn salaries of \$140,781, \$140,674, \$133,070 and \$124,980, respectively.

In athletics, Director Jack Mehl (\$107,092), men's basketball coach Greg Kampe (\$88,944), head swim coach Peter Hovland (\$63,814), women's Basketball coach Beckie Francis (\$61,055), men's soccer coach Gary Parsons (\$57,820) and women's soccer coach Nicholas O'Shea (\$38,523) all received 4 percent salary increases.

The salary increases went into effect in July for the start of fiscal year 2003.

*Editor's note - This article is a revised version of one that ran in last week's edition. It includes the correct salary increase percentages and additional information.

In the hot seat



Democratic candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives David Fink speaks to students in the Fireside Lounge yesterday. In the question and answer session that drew roughly 25 spectators, Fink discussed education, post-Sept. 11 civil liberties and the importance of voting. For more on the 2002 election, turn to A5.

Heather Clement/
The Oakland Post

AAUP team elected

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Faculty narrowly chose a union-endorsed slate for its bargaining team in upcoming negotiations.

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) announced the results last week after counting 600 mailed-in ballots.

The union declined to make the vote count public.

The unusual run-off election occurred when a group of faculty proposed an alternate slate that would bargain for contract negotiations.

The union-endorsed team, headed by Sean Moran, associate professor of history, won by a close 10 percent margin. Other team members will include Kevin Grimm, associate professor of English, Sandra Pelfry, associate professor of economics and Mark Severson, associate professor of chemistry.

"I was personally surprised how close the vote was," said associate professor of Engineering Mike Latcha, who was to head the other slate. "The fact is (that it) was so close meant it was a difficult decision."

Latcha said a bargaining forum is now formed consisting of a body of

AAUP members from each academic unit who will develop issues and resources most concerning faculty.

"We're all concerned with economic times and with rising healthcare costs," said AAUP President Joel Russell, professor of chemistry, who also assisted in ballot counting.

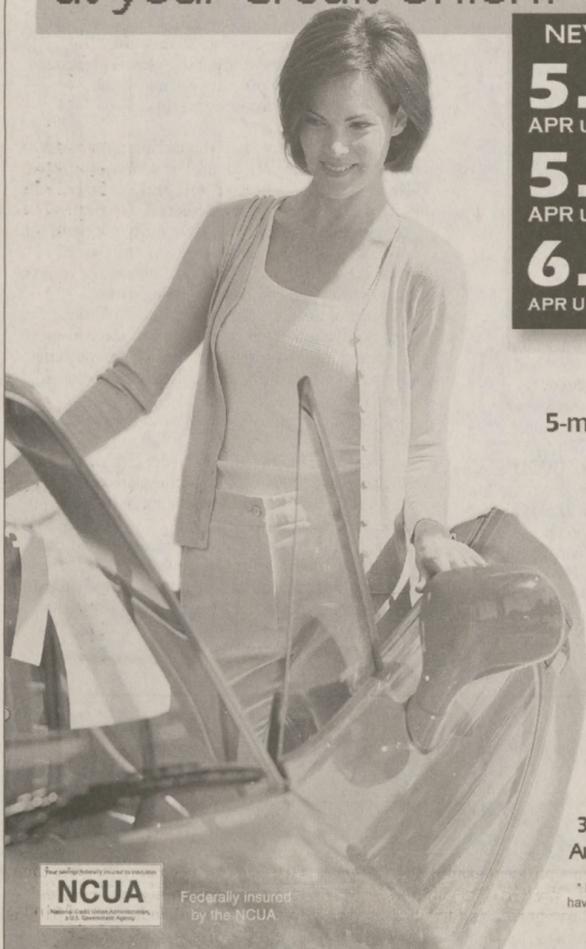
Russell said some contract amendments for benefits were approved. The changes will allow for better rates for healthcare.

AAUP will begin negotiating a three-year contract. The current faculty contract expires Aug. 14, 2003.

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STUDENT DIRECTORIES

The Student Services Committee is hard at work on this year's student directory. If you would NOT like to be included in the 2002-2003 listings, please contact the Student Congress Office (62 Oakland Center) by November 2nd 2002.

Note: If a form is not filled out by November 2nd, your name, address, and phone number will be automatically included in this year's directory-this will not count as FERPA.

Beer Lake face-lift continues

BY REBECCA WYATT
& KATIE STOUT
THE OAKLAND POST

Bridge work that began on Beer Lake in the spring was only the start of changes (for the lake.)

According to Simon Ren, university engineer, the repairs are part of a \$252,000 project approved by the BOT.

"The banks just below the waterline have deteriorated due to burrowing animals and wave action," said Ren. "The roots of the turf grass around the lake were too shallow to hold the soil."

Ren said the lack of soil stabilization in the areas around the inlets and outlets has also caused erosion.

"We are also taking this opportunity to bring this part of our storm water system closer to modern code standards," he said.

According to Ren, Beer Lake originally released water as fast as it entered. The new design will allow water to be held in the lake and minimize the erosion downstream into Gallow Creek, which flows into the Clinton River.

Ren said the work to Beer Lake has been more problematic than predicted.

"We have encountered more than the usual number of surprises as we design and construct the work in phases," Ren said.

Ren said the lake will not be drained any further because the new plans call for the shore to be lined with boulders rather

than being recontoured as the original plan entailed.

"Large boulders will be used to armor the shore of the lake at its more vulnerable parts, mostly along the south shore," Ren said.

According to Ren, the lake has been drained about seven or eight feet, leaving the lake five to six feet deep in the middle.

Ren said the lake will be refilled during the first "good rain after the boulders are installed."

However it will not be at the original depth. The water will be two and a half feet below the original design level to 10 and a half feet deep.

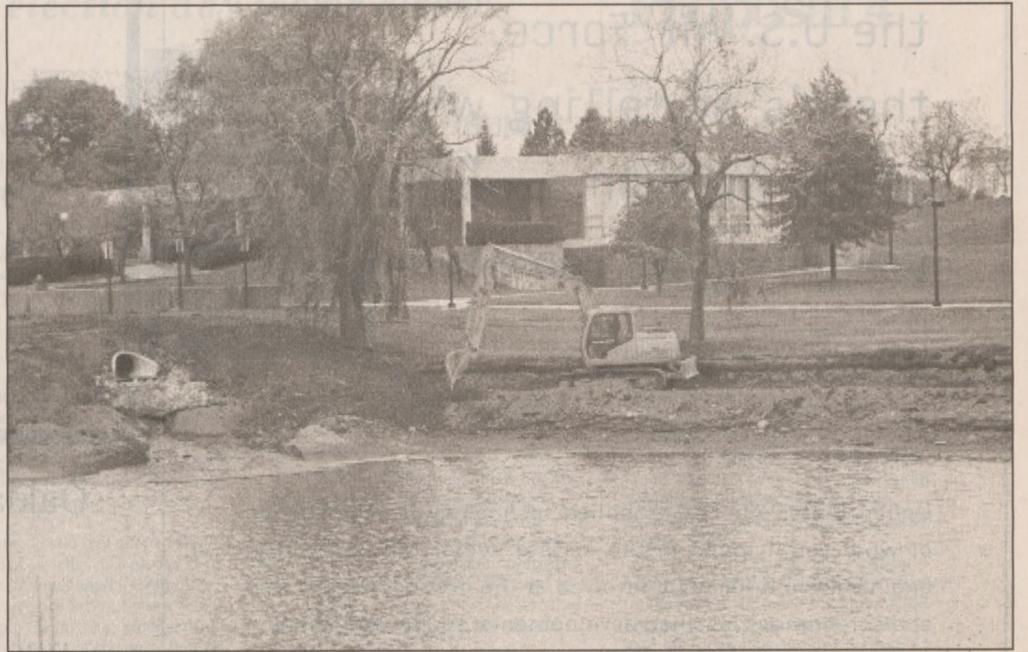
Ren said some of the work has already been completed.

"The bridge work is complete, (and) new lighting was recently installed," Ren said. "The outlet structure in the ravine is almost complete. The inlet pipes are now being modified and supported better."

The bids for the bank stabilization are due Nov. 19 and construction will begin, weather permitting, in the winter or spring.

According to Ren, the project should be completed by May, but, if the weather cooperates, it may be sooner.

Aside from the car found in the lake in September, Ren said nothing interesting has been discovered thus far. He said they have found a number of signposts and some fencing material but nothing else.



Construction on Beer Lake will stabilize the banks and prevent erosion downstream. The project, which costs \$252,000, is expected to be completed next spring. Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

Combating date rape



Darby Creger, registered nurse and director of START speaks to students last Thursday about rape including how to prevent it and what to do if the student is raped. The event put on by Graham Health Center as part of the Alcohol Awareness Week held on campus last week.

Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

Insurance offers students safe bet

BY AMY KNAPP
THE OAKLAND POST

Many college students do not think about health insurance, but according to Joanne Talarek, Nurse Practitioner and Director of Graham Health Center, "Students are dropped (from their parents' health insurance plan) when they reach a certain age, or if they drop to half-time student."

She said that the problem comes in when an accident or illness occurs, and the student is not insured. This can be very costly, and if there is a pre-existing condition it also makes it hard to purchase insurance later.

According to Talarek, as long as students purchase insurance before the old insurance lapses, there is no problem.

GHC and OU offer health insurance to students at a low rate. The cost is only \$797 per year and can be paid in

installments.

Through OU, they do not have to undergo a physical examination to get insured. "We (GHC) negotiated with several companies and tried to find the best coverage for the best price for students' needs," Talarek explained.

Compared to Blue Cross of Michigan's individual health insurance rates for college students (ages 19-30) of approximately \$350 per year, OU's insurance seems expensive.

According to Blue Cross, the insurance plans for college age students requires a \$1,000 deductible, a 30 percent co-pay and do not include prescription coverage.

This means that students would have to pay \$1,000 out of their pockets before receiving any benefits.

The insurance through OU only requires a \$100 deductible, a 20 percent co-pay and has 50-100 percent prescription coverage.

"The insurance covers 100 percent of the care that a student receives at GHC. If they need outside care, their expenses would only be 20 percent (after an annual deductible of \$100 is met) at a participating PPOM (Preferred Plan of Michigan) provider," Talarek said.

She said that students can choose to go outside the PPOM network and then the cost is 30 percent (after the deductible) of what the insurance company considers a reasonable fee.

According to Talarek, the \$100 deductible can be used for other outside care including urgent care and prescriptions. But it does not include Emergency Room care, which is an additional \$100 co-pay per visit.

"There are some really good urgent care facilities next to Crittenton Hospital in Rochester and St. Joe's in Pontiac where students can receive Please see HEALTH on A7

Leading the Way

CSA develops program to train student leaders on campus

BY BRYAN CONNOLLY
THE OAKLAND POST

Students involved in programs and organizations now have a way to improve leadership skills.

The Center for Student Activities (CSA) is offering an on-line leadership training program for students who would like to increase leadership abilities.

CSA solicited feedback from more than 100 student programs and organizations at the beginning of the academic year. Each group was asked three questions about leadership and what it felt the program or organization needed the most to improve in terms of leadership. The online program was then put together

by Student Leadership Director Sara Crampton.

"We wanted to know one aspect of leadership people wanted to know more about and how CSA could help," said Crampton.

"Then we asked how this information could be provided in the most useful way. Based on feedback, we decided to do an online program."

According to Crampton, CSA took the most asked for attributes of leadership and divided them into month-long seminars on each topic.

The first category "How to recruit dedicated members," is currently running.

On the second Tuesday of each month, CSA hosts a bring-your-

own brown bag lunch in its office at 49 Oakland Center. This is an opportunity for students to offer feedback on the program and to discuss the program with their peers.

"The brown bag lunch is important because it gives us a chance to evaluate the program and share experiences with each other," said Crampton.

Presidents of all student organizations receive an e-mail at the beginning of each month concerning the current topic of discussion.

CSA will also be holding workshops and seminars throughout the year. For more information contact the CSA at (248) 370-2024.

Painting fences

BY ANN ZANIEWSKI
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Students will have an opportunity to turn the drab fence surrounding the OC construction site into a colorful mural during the "Battle of the Brushes" contest in mid-November.

Sponsored by the Center for Student Activities, Oakland Center and Division of Student Affairs, the contest allows organizations, residence halls/floors and individuals to use sections of the fence as a giant canvas to promote their group and school pride.

The contest's theme is "Catch the OU Spirit," and a \$100 prize will be awarded to the group with the most eye-catching, creative design.

Rakhi Roy, assistant director of the CSA and Vice President for

Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder first came up with the idea about two weeks ago.

"I was looking at the fence, and it was pretty ugly," said Snyder. "I thought, '(How) can we brighten it up?'"

Snyder, who is providing the prize money, stressed the contest will not only help improve the school's landscape, but also serves as a good way for organizations to earn a little free publicity.

"It's great because all the people coming in through the front parking lot, they're gonna see this," she said.

Roy's alma mater, the University of Iowa, recently held a similar contest that was very successful. She said she's heard a lot of positive feedback on "Battle of the Brushes" and hopes several student groups participate.

All entry forms and copies of



Rebecca Wyatt/The Oakland Post
A door was taped on the fence near the OC last week that read "Wishful Thinking."

the images to be painted are due at the CSA office (49 OC) or the OC administrative offices (118 OC) by 5 p.m. today. Applications will be accepted until Friday if fence space is still available.

Only spray paint is allowed, and no profane language is permitted.

For more information, call CSA at (248) 370-2400 or the OC at (248) 370-3237.

CRIME WATCH

Three students were ticketed for underage drinking last Wednesday in Vandenberg Hall. One of the men, a 19-year-old, was unconscious on his bed and had vomited on himself, according to OUPD. Police could not revive him and an ambulance was called. He regained consciousness and refused to go to the hospital. All three reportedly

admitted to police they had been drinking vodka. Resident Hall staff was apparently told about the unconscious man by a Hamlin Hall student who came to the student's room after receiving a phone call from one of the occupants. When she told the resident she was going to call for help, he allegedly grabbed her, pulled her into the room and

threatened her. She managed to leave and notified residence hall staff. About three hours later, one of the same students came to the room she was staying in, pounded on the door and threatened the woman for her interference. The woman told the police she will press charges against one of the students involved.

A 23-year-old student who

was taking part in an alcohol awareness presentation Wednesday in the OC suddenly wedged over in his seat. He was non-responsive and vomited several times after reportedly consuming almost a fifth of rum. The "controlled" drinking exercise was supervised and administered by the CSA and included field sobriety tests and PBT. The

student was taken to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital where he was treated and released.

In two separate incidents in Vandenberg Hall, two men and one woman were charged as minors in possession in Vandenberg Hall on Sunday. In a separate incident, a 20-year-old female was charged as being a minor in possession in

Vandenberg Hall also on Sunday morning.

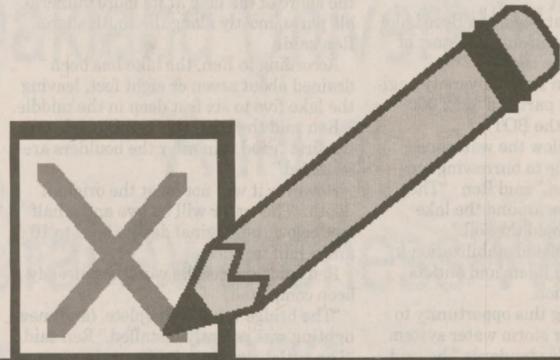
A woman who returned home for the weekend returned Sunday to find an "L"-shaped cut made in the screen outside her window. The woman reported nothing was missing from her room. The adjoining room had a similar cut in the screen and the occupants reported nothing was missing.

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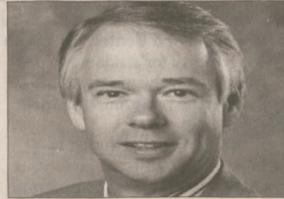
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Meet the contestants

The gubernatorial race heats up as election day looms closer



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REPUBLICAN PARTY

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Michigan voters will decide on the state's next governor on election day, Nov. 5. *The Oakland Post* recently asked the candidates about certain issues.

THE OAKLAND POST: How do you feel about public university funding and what are your plans for it?

DOUGLAS CAMPBELL: If we pulled American troops out of foreign bases ... we could pay for a public university education for every person who wants one. World War II is over. It's time that our foreign and military policies reflect that.

JENNIFER GRANHOLM: Last year's double-digit tuition increases were disturbing and I will use the executive office to exert as much influence as I can on our colleges and universities to hold the line, tighten their belts and share in the sacrifice that must be made to deal without the projected 2003 budget deficit.

DICK POSTHUMUS: I strongly support funding for our public universities. Under my leadership, first as Senate Majority Leader and then as Lt.

Governor, funding for higher education has risen by 54.1 percent over the last decade ... Even in tight budget times, our universities have seen a steady increase in funding.

POST: How do you stand on tuition rate increases and education affordability?

CAMPBELL: Tuition is not a uniquely unaffordable budget item ... I'll be pushing for two things: 1) Accurately calculating the real cost of living. 2) Promoting a minimum living wage ... Why should there be a "working poor" class of people?

GRANHOLM: Now more than ever, a college education is critical to getting a good job and providing for one's family. I have proposed a new scholarship program to help low and middle-income students that rely on more than just MEAP scores. Affordable higher education opportunities must be a state priority.

POSTHUMUS: Our colleges and universities must be affordable for working families. Despite increased funding, undergraduate resident tuition has increased more than 80 percent. To solve this crisis, we must first create a

financial incentive to encourage universities to keep their tuition increases at the annual rate of inflation or below...I urge the creation of a financial disincentive to penalize universities refusing to show fiscal discipline and restraint.

POST: How do you feel about taxes?

CAMPBELL: I will NOT pledge to lower taxes. It's a cheap election gimmick and there are few options available to people taking that pledge: undermine the well-being of the state you've been elected to protect, violate the pledge, as did George Bush in 1989. I've already said that I will raise the Diesel Fuel tax to the same rate paid on gasoline... And I will suspend the currently-scheduled tax cuts while there's a deficit. I'm going to focus my budget-balancing efforts more on wrongful spending than on taxes.

GRANHOLM: The only tax I am interested in raising would be the diesel tax, so it is equal to the current gas tax. The funds generated from that will be used to repair our roads. Other than that, I have no plans to raise taxes.

POSTHUMUS: I will not raise taxes as governor, and in fact, I will continue to cut taxes as governor so families can

keep more of what they earn and businesses will invest in our state and create more jobs.

POST: What will you do about health care and prescription drug coverage?

CAMPBELL: We will be pursuing a single-payer universal health care system including a system of county hospitals and community clinics. We need to regulate drug monopolies in the spirit of Teddy Roosevelt taking on the oil and railroad monopolies.

GRANHOLM: As governor, my priorities will be providing health care insurance for more of our residents by promoting "third-share" programs. Also, I have a plan to lower the price of prescription drugs by negotiating directly with the drug companies for lower prices through bulk purchases.

POSTHUMUS: As governor, my top priorities in regard to health care will be: 1) getting Washington to pass a prescription drug benefit in Medicare, 2) focus on preventative health care, and 3) giving patients more rights and responsibility to control their own health care decisions ... Lastly, I believe we must have a health care system

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Controversy surrounds Proposal 4

NICOLE MATHES
THE OAKLAND POST

During the upcoming elections, Michigan voters will choose whether to reallocate tobacco settlement funds to smoking prevention and health care or to continue scholarship funds.

Proposal 4 will decide the fate of the funds. The Secretary of State website said Proposal 4 would amend the Michigan Constitution to use tobacco settlement funds for research of tobacco related illnesses, fund smoking prevention and education programs, and pay for the care of those suffering from tobacco-related diseases.

Currently, Michigan uses those funds towards Michigan Merit Scholarships. Up to 50,000 students per year benefit from these scholarships, said the Associated Students of MSU (ASMSU) in May 2002.

According to Citizens of a Healthy Michigan Coalition (CHMC), the tobacco industry agreed to pay Michigan \$206 billion over 25 years. To date, CHMC said Michigan has spent more than \$1 billion of those funds on a variety of programs, none that are health related or for smoking prevention.

CHMC's website said 90 percent of settlement funds under Proposal 4 would be spent on health care. The American Cancer Society (ACS) supports Proposal 4 saying in a September/October statement Michigan has one of the highest death rates from smoking 15,000 people annually according to its data. Many organizations like CHMC and ACS feel the tobacco funds should have gone to health care since the first payment in 1998.

OU junior Amanda Bennett knows the temptation well. "I started smoking in college. I smoke on an off, but I guess the reason I do it is because it calms the nerves after a bad day of work or class. If I smoke at a bar, it's because it helps the buzz, it just becomes a habit and because everyone else around you is doing it."

Not everyone supports Proposal 4, though. At the October OU BOT meeting, chairman Henry Baskin urged the audience to vote against it.

The Michigan Municipal League also opposes Proposal 4 saying in October this proposal was created to benefit private interest groups who are only interested in Michigan dollars to fund their programs.

In mid-September the Michigan Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors also opposed Proposal 4. Senior Vice President of Political Affairs and General Counsel Robert LaBrant said, "We believe a more equitable allocation of state funds from all sources can, and should, be made through appropriations process, not as a result of a constitutional mandate."

While Michigan is using tobacco settlement money for college scholarships, smoking on college campuses is rising. The Higher Education Center for Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention reported in a February 2002 survey 35.5 percent of college students in the U.S. reported using tobacco within a one-month period.

Cigarettes are part of the college scene, at parties, clubs, during class breaks and other occasions.

OTHER PROPOSALS

- **Proposal 02-1** would eliminate the "straight party" voting option on partisan general election ballots. Until now, voters had the option to select one box for a party and have the entire ballot count towards that particular party.

- **Proposal 02-2** would allow Michigan to borrow up to \$1 billion to improve the quality of water by financing sewage treatment works, storm water projects and water pollution projects. The proposal would have the debt repaid from generals fund of the state.

- **Proposal 02-3** would amend Michigan's constitution to grant state classified employees the right to collective bargaining with binding arbitration, allowing state employees to elect bargaining representatives to negotiate collective bargaining agreements with the state.

- **Proposal K** (for Oakland and Wayne Counties) is a millage proposal for the Metropolitan Arts and Culture Council. The Council will support non-profit regional institutions of history, science and arts. It will support local arts and recreational programs.

Candidates get ready for ballot

By ADAM L. NEAL
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

Out with the old and in with the new is what Michigan voters will be noticing in the November polls.

Voters will see new faces and ideas. Current Secretary of State Candice Miller's (R) term is up this year and there are two new challengers ready to take on the task.

Terri Land (R) and Melvin Hollowell (D) are the two major candidates for Secretary of State.

Land, who spent her last eight years as Kent County Clerk and Register of Deeds, has put forward three proposals for her campaign.

She plans to improve customer service by expanding on the existing Kiosk system set up by Miller.

Land also plans to increase web use with the department. License renewal and registrations will all be able to be done on the web. She plans to heavily promote web availability in an effort to decrease lines at branches.

Flextime and "lead workers" are other points of interest for her plan. She wants flextime to "ensure counter coverage during peak times and allow the office to stay open longer throughout the day."

"Lead workers" would be trained to make managerial decisions at the counter and decrease time a customer spent in line.

Hollowell also wants to increase technology use. His plan includes expanding branch office hours and placing electronic booths in malls for drivers license renewals.

He also wants to eliminate punch card ballots and update all precincts to a "Statewide High Tech Optic Scan Voting System."

Clear and correct instructions on voting are also priorities for Hollowell. He wants to make voter education part of civics classes. Along with this, Hollowell wants to teach high school students how to register and vote.

He wants to look at campaign finance and have full disclosure and strict limits on contributions.

The two leading candidates for Attorney General are Mike Cox (R) and Gary Peters (D).

Cox, a prosecutor for 13 years, vows to keep Michigan citizens safe and free from crime. He said the state needs a tougher prosecutor as

Attorney General to fight crime.

He wants to increase the number of units and attorneys focused on crime because he said crime is too high.

Child support is another top priority for Cox. He wants parents to support the children they bring into the world. He said unwilling parents will face the full penalty of the law.

Protecting pensions, preventing fraud and guarding consumers is Cox's plan for the position.

Peters thinks public safety, consumer protection and corporate accountability should be top priorities for the next Attorney General. Peters' focus is on prosecuting violent criminals, protecting the elderly and domestic violence victims and seeking out child abusers.

Insurance and medical fraud are two other concerns. He also wants to crack down on companies that raid pensions and 401(k)s.

Nursing homes will be held responsible for neglect and polluters will pay in Peters' plan.

The two lead candidates for the six-year term of U.S. Senator are Andrew "Rocky" Raczkowski (R) and incumbent Carl Levin (D), who has been a Senator since 1978.

Raczkowski wants to reduce taxes and supports President Bush's economic stimulus package.

He also wants higher pay for military personnel and would support providing the military with resources it says it needs. He supports a national missile defense.

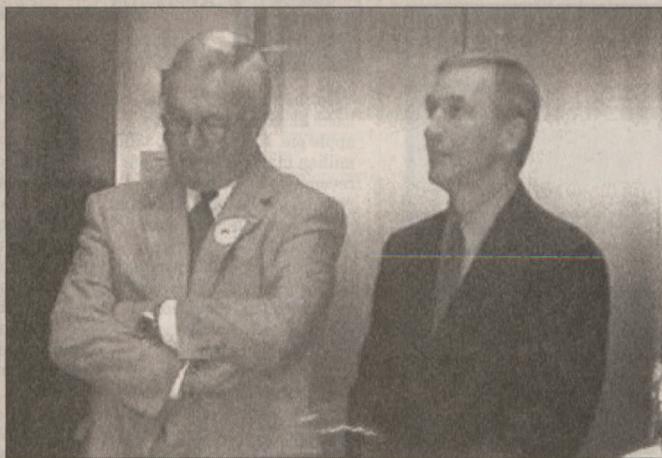
Small business is another part of Raczkowski's plan. He said he owns a small business and will fight to protect all small businesses because he understands pressures and problems they face.

One of Levin's top priorities is also to defend America's freedom by giving the military the resources it needs. He, too, wants to increase wages for military personnel.

Along with increasing wages for the military, Levin wants to protect jobs in Michigan and bring new jobs to the state. He wants to see in-state people working in Michigan.

Education is another top priority for Levin. He believes the federal government should be involved with the school system from pre-school through college. He believes our economic future depends on the education of the youth.

Tech talk at the Alley



Lt. Governor Dick Posthumus (right) and Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson were two guests at the annual Automation Alley networking event last Thursday. Posthumus made a brief presentation on his technological and economic development platforms. Jennifer Granholm was invited, but was unable to attend.

Student turnout at polls is down

By KAREN TURK
THE OAKLAND POST

Michigan's race for governor will be settled at the polls Nov. 5, but seemingly without the involvement of college students.

Less than 13 percent of the 18-30 years old will likely vote in November's election, according to the Washington D.C. polling firm Lake, Snell, Perry and Associates.

Justin Mularski, president of OU's College Democrats, said, "The most prominent reason college students give for not getting involved is that students feel isolated from the process... no one is really concerned with the issues they're concerned with."

Political Science Professor John Klemanski said politicians' disinterest is one reason for low turnouts among young people at the polls.

"Many politicians don't pay much attention to the views or needs of younger people," Klemanski said. "Social Security and health care issues are discussed so much in national elections because older people vote."

Students could break the cycle and make the politicians work for them by getting informed, involving themselves in

campaigns or simply registering to vote.

Non-partisan websites such as www.projectvote.org or www.vote-smart.org do the work for curious voters.

National and local candidate listings, platform points and proposals are compiled on both sites.

The College Democrats are supporting individual candidates by manning phone banks and going door-to-door.

The OU Greens are distributing information about their candidates and encouraging students to vote.

Bretton Jones, the Greens' leader and running for state representative in Troy/Clawson, urges students to vote because "there are people in countries around the world who don't even have the option to vote."

Voter registration is even easier in Michigan now that it's available online through the Secretary of State website, www.michigan.gov/sos. It features voter registration forms, district maps, candidate listings and financial information.

In a national survey, the Panetta Institute reports 46 percent of 809 college and university students felt "a candidate's understanding of their values is very important."

Editorial

Get out and vote

"Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves, and the only way they could do this is by not voting," said former President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In the thick of midterms and due dates, students' priorities may not reflect participating in the democratic process. But time needs to be set aside.

The voting rate in the 18 to 22-year-old age group is notoriously low. This is cause for concern because next week many issues go to polls that directly affect college students voting for the first time and young adults who will soon look for jobs. People who will lead us on local, statewide and national platforms will be elected.

Becoming educated on the issues, informed about the candidates and voting is something we owe to society and ourselves. The proposals that are being voted on will affect our families and us. Those candidates who will soon be in positions of power will be representing us in our communities, our state and in Washington D.C.

We have the invincible right and the responsibility to make a decision about legislation and choose our leaders. This is a privilege not to be taken lightly. The candidates and issues deserve attention and scrutiny. Read up on candidates' qualifications, plans and stances on issues. Find out how well or poorly the issues at stake align with your needs, your values and your tax dollars.

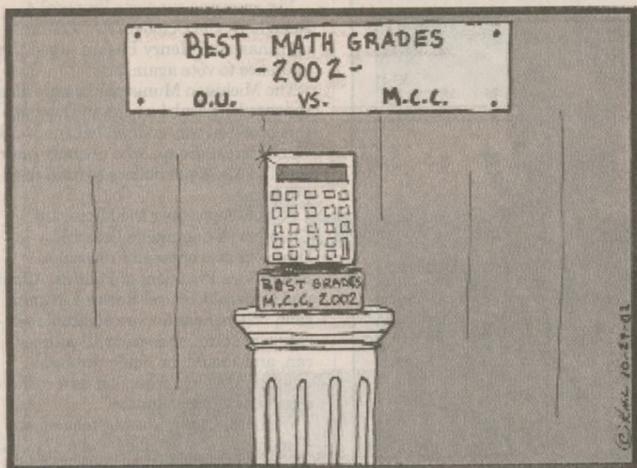
A common deterrent to voting is the myth that an individual voter is a lost voice who in reality makes no difference. When OU Student Congress President Brian Tomina was elected a few months ago, one single vote sealed his election as the official student representative.

Each vote matters. Next week decisions are going to be made by the few who choose to vote on behalf of the many who won't vote. But they will be decisions that affect the course of every person's life whether or not he or she realizes it.

Though it is common for newspapers to endorse candidates, we have decided not to do so. The message we would like to get across is to vote for whoever you think is the best person for the job who can take this country and state to the next level.

It is imperative that we take advantage of this right that many Americans fought and died for in times before ours and that so many around the world are fighting for even today.

Remember to get out on Nov. 5 and vote and don't take the right to do so for granted. Make your voice heard, sustain our democracy and encourage your peers to do the same.



Michigan and Minnesota Football teams have the "Little Brown Jug", O.U. and M.C.C. Math departments have the "Little Gold Calculator".

Letters to the Editor

Vice president responds to fire safety story

Dear Editor,

Your article "Dorm Fire Safety Questioned" and editorial give me a good opportunity to discuss four important issues surrounding fire safety in our university residence halls.

First, five years ago, Oakland made a million dollar financial commitment to install the most modern fire detection and 24-hour notification technology in each of our halls. Furthermore, our new apartments have sprinklers in each unit. The Post article cites a fire detector that was not set off in a recent incident involving a smoldering mattress in Hamlin Hall. The detector was tested four times and found to be in good working order. The conclusion is that there was an insufficient amount of smoke from the mattress to trigger the alarm in that incident.

Second, staff from our Fire Safety Office annually inspect all housing and periodically walk through each building. Moreover, we hold eight residential fire drills per year; all elevators are programmed to lock on the first floor when a fire alarm goes off; and we seek to maintain all required signage in good working order. Your article describes some missing or unclear fire and exit signage. We appreciate your investigation and we will be reviewing the status of this matter immediately.

Third, The Post article listed a number of laundry and trash (there are no incinerators) room doors that have been propped open by residents. This situation raises the most important issue of all - we need students to assist us in maintaining a safe campus environment. As a university, we depend on our students to help us in keeping everyone safe. Students are our very best eyes and ears to alert us to potential violations or

safety threats. If students see doors propped open, I would ask them to take a few seconds to pull them closed. Communities like ours have to rely on all its members - faculty, students and administrators - to keep individuals safe from harm. I would encourage every student to be aware of and report anything that looks like a safety violation.

Finally, for the past two years the students of Vadenberg Hall have put up with an unusually high numbers of false fire alarms. False alarms are terribly annoying, and, worse, exceedingly dangerous. Housing staff will continue to empty a building and inspect all rooms whenever an alarm is pulled. If anyone has any information that helps us to identify the perpetrators of these false alarms, I will personally ensure that the individuals receive a cash award. If you have information, anonymous or otherwise, please notify OUPD (x3331), the Student Affairs Office, or the Housing Office.

Please, watch out for each other. Oakland will be a better place if we show that we care.

Mary Beth Snyder
Vice President for Student Affairs

Dear Editor,

Regarding the fence that was erected between south Foundation Hall and the Oakland Center, students are once again disrupted in their campus commuting. It appears as if the students will now take the shortcut across the grass because no temporary walk was installed. Pretty soon, with rain and inclement weather, this shortcut will be a mud trail, which will cause further maintenance issues for the hardworking janitorial staff that keeps buildings clean. Let us enlighten

the construction manager of this project, and demand that adequate and safe temporary walkway be incorporated into the expansion project.

Sincerely,
Kenneth J. Hreha
Senior

Dear Editor,

I would like to correct two factual errors in a letter to the editor from Larry D. VanderMolen that appeared in the Oct. 23, 2002 issue of *The Oakland Post*. Mr. VanderMolen wrote that the "union at Ferris State is the American Association of University Professors." Actually, the faculty bargaining unit at Ferris State University is a chapter of the Michigan Education Association/National Education Association. The Public act Mr. VanderMolen cites applies to K-12 teachers and not to higher education faculty.

Scott Barns
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AAUP

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FEATURED COLUMNIST

Students should oppose Proposal 4



SHELDON APPLETON

Professor of
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On the surface, Proposal 4 looks like motherhood and apple pie. It says almost \$300 million in tobacco settlement revenue must be allocated permanently to organizations concerned with health care. And it guarantees some of them continued and increasing state funding every year by writing this requirement into the state constitution.

But the "permanently" is the problem. It takes away all discretion from the legislature. Regardless of how the economy goes, regardless of other needs, regardless of emergency needs for homeland security or for recovery from terrorist attacks, these

funds must go to health organizations every year. The organizations that receive the funds are private. They don't have to hold open meetings or account to the public for how they spend these funds.

Right now, Michigan - like many states - is in a financial bind. Unlike the federal government, it can't run an unbalanced budget. Money that's taken from the state budget must be matched by cuts from other areas, and education is one of the biggest expenses in the state budget. Already, the weak economy is reducing the dollars the state takes in enough to make substantial tuition rises likely at all state universities. If Proposal 4 passes, the state will have to cut higher education budgets even more, which makes it likely that your tuition will go up.

If you are a freshman, this will most likely cost you many

hundreds of extra dollars by the time you graduate (If you are planning to be a Michigan public school teacher, I'd guess the cuts in K-12 education will make it harder for you to find a job and probably make your pay lower when you do find one). And the Michigan Merit Scholarship program will have to shut down or be severely curtailed - not great news for your little sisters or brothers.

This is not a partisan issue. Both the Republican and Democratic Parties, Governor Engler and gubernatorial candidates Posthumus and Granholm oppose Proposal 4. So do the presidents of all Michigan public universities, and independent organizations, like the Michigan League of Women Voters oppose it too for the good reason that budgetary allocations don't belong in a state constitution. Yet the proposal has a

good chance of passing, because the groups that would benefit from it have more money than its opponents to spend on ads broadcasting their point of view.

Get to the polls. Vote no on 4. Or you can stay home and complain when your tuition bill comes due. The choice is yours. It shouldn't be too hard for a college student to figure out.

Correction:

The article called "OUSC takes stand on ballot proposals" in the Oct. 23 issue should have read: "OU Student Congress demonstrated solidarity in the Oct. 21 meeting and passed two bills, by almost unanimous votes, to oppose Michigan's Proposal 4 and endorse Proposal K in the fast-approaching November general election."

Point/Counterpoint

Which candidate would handle higher education better?

Granholm

By JUSTIN MULARSKI
PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE DEMOCRATS

Of the many long overdue changes Attorney General Jennifer Granholm would implement as governor to college students, the most important policies she will implement, are those that relate to the current state of higher education in Michigan.

The biggest concern shared among most college students is the cost of a four-year degree. This is a problem that faces students regardless of age, sex, race or level of academic prowess. As governor Granholm would take the steps needed to insure that financing a higher education is more readily available to students of every income bracket.

One of the ways she has already announced her determination to see a college degree become a financially attainable goal for more Michigan students has been her vocal opposition to Proposal 4. This initiative would amend the state constitution to allow the money Michigan receives from tobacco settlement lawsuits (roughly \$300 million annually) to be given to health care organizations

that operate with little or no governmental oversight. Currently, this money funds 75 percent of the college merit scholarships the state hands out each year to high school students who do well on either the MEAP or ACT test. If the proposal passes, it could mean the end for a program that helps alleviate the growing cost of attending college.

Granholm developed the "Great Lakes Scholars Program," which uses donations from private citizens and organizations both public and private to fund \$2,000 scholarships to high-achieving high school students whose families make less than \$60,000 a year. This helps lower-income families put their children through college and benefits the often-neglected middle class who often find it difficult to finance higher education.

Granholm has also declared that she will offer low interest loans to primary schools to enable them to improve their ability to help students along to future success in college. She has pledged to use her power to "keep a lid" on college tuition rates, something which surely comes as a relief to OU students who have yet to see a discernable improvement to OU's academic offerings or status after two back-to-back increases.

Posthumus

By MATTHEW HUDSON
FORMER OUSC LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR

In the days leading up to the election of Michigan's newest governor, we should all take the time to figure out whom we're going to vote for. Some of us vote based strictly upon party lines and others vote "independently", but for those of us that vote along the issues, we have a tough battle in front of us.

Both candidates spread the usual propaganda, but who is truthful?

As far as higher education is concerned, the only answer is a vote for Lieutenant Governor Dick Posthumus. Not only is he the only Republican candidate for governor, but also the only candidate that openly promises to oppose the ideas outlined within Proposal 4. That reason alone is reason enough for me to give Posthumus my vote.

Proposal 4 is basically the most important issue facing higher education in this election cycle. The results will decide whether or not millions of dollars each year will go to various health-based organizations or into

programs that still so badly need it, like the Michigan Merit Award that nearly 250,000 students have already qualified for in the next school year. Who are we to say that those students who have taken the time to study and take the tests are now ineligible because our new governor has decided that something is more important to her than sending our youth through their higher education careers? We are not the people who should be making decisions like that, and Posthumus agrees. While opposing Proposal 4 he is also defending the right of current and future students to collect the ever so important \$2,500 they have earned.

Unlike Granholm, Posthumus is not merely going to talk about getting our additional higher education dollars from Washington D.C. but will actually realize those ideas. In Posthumus' plan for higher education is increased funding for new additions to our infrastructure, and lower tuition rates for us all. So if that isn't enough for your vote, you might be a bit too picky. If any of you would not like to see new buildings on campus, lower tuition rates or better funding for academic programs, then by all means, vote for Granholm. Needless to say, I am going to go for the other.

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"Punch-Drunk Love" leaves you addled, a little dizzy and overcome by a pleasing, unplaceable sensation — one best summed up in the movie's title.

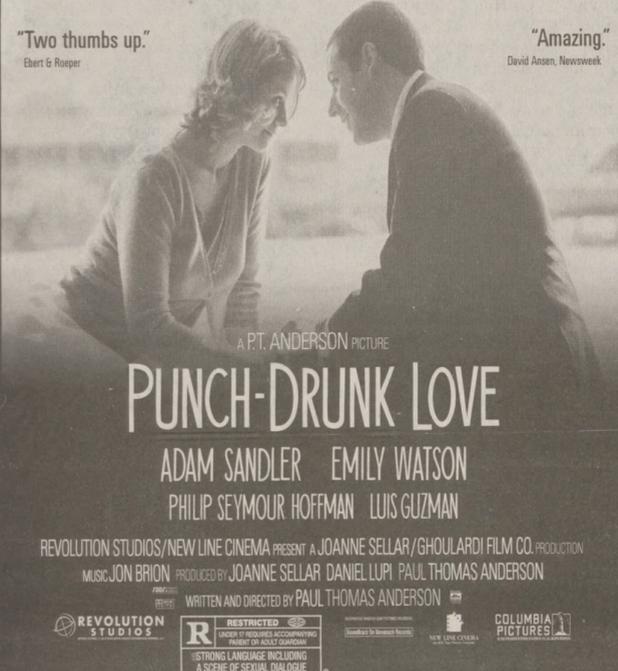
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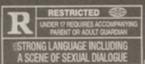
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detainees are not mistreated, they are being handled properly."

After further questioning from Legislator Andrea Carter, junior, about his involvement in the Housing and Urban Development programs the podium was turned over to another candidate also in campaign-mode. But not before Knollenberg voiced his opposition to Proposal 4.

John Brennan, candidate for Oakland County Circuit Court Judge and OU graduate made anecdotal promises to the students and said he would on time for work every morning, resolve lawsuits as quickly as possible and never be arrogant.

He emphasized that 40 percent of those who vote will skip the judicial race, and he stressed the importance of electing judges the public wants to have in court. Proposal K, better known as "Arts,

Parks and Kids" spurred debate at previous OUSC meetings. Director of Auxiliary Services Peggy Cooke addressed the ballot issue again, and voiced her support.

Cooke said the \$1.5 million OU would receive with the passage of the proposal would be used for, "Protecting, preserving and maintaining what we have," with reference to the main stage productions.

The Oakland and Wayne property taxes levied would fund the initiative and help ease the fundraising challenges Meadow Brook Theatre and Hall's face.

During regular OUSC business, the discussion to amend the bylaws on legislators' standards was again delayed. The motion to postpone discussion was made by Legislator Michael Ginger, junior, because the group did not have revised copies of the amendments for reference.

Jeffrey Galecki, senior, said, "Obviously

people (legislators) are afraid that their GPAs won't be up there," in reference to the new minimum GPA requirement he wants to implement.

Kristina Ivanovic, graduate student, who was defeated by one vote in last year's OUSC presidential election, was appointed as a legislator. There are now three empty legislative seats remaining.

On another front, the Oct. 28 meeting was the last time Coco Stewart, a registered Parliamentarian, attended to train OUSC on Robert's Rules (meeting procedures) to ensure meetings are run efficiently. At an OUSC in-house retreat earlier this month, Stewart trained legislators then provided on-site training later for those who did not attend.

OU President Gary Russi was scheduled to attend the OUSC meeting, but he cancelled and rescheduled for Nov. 11.

ELECTION

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based on a patient's rights and personal responsibilities.

POST: What environmental concerns are facing Michigan and what are your solutions?

CAMPBELL: The Great Lakes are threatened with slant-hole crude oil drilling and they will always be threatened while there is a demand for crude oil and a supply under the lakes ... I'll direct the Department of Agriculture to promote fuel crops-grain derived ethanol for gasoline engines and hemp oil for diesel engines. I'm promoting a massive investment in wind electricity generators and the shutdown of nuclear power plants.

GRANHOLM: My environmental plan ... includes implementing a "Clean Water Forever" initiative to protect the Great Lakes from exports to other areas, protect critical wetlands, enlist the public in water monitoring and release the toxins in the water supply. I also want to hold polluters accountable for the damage they cause.

POSTHUMUS: As governor, I'll protect Michigan's great outdoors. Lake St. Clair will have a real time water quality monitoring system. I opposed oil drilling on the Great Lakes and I will get nuclear

waste out of Michigan and off our shorelines.

POST: What do you propose to do about Michigan's roadways?

CAMPBELL: An 80,000-pound highway weight limit, a ban on using sodium chloride for deicing and an emphasis on putting more passengers and freight onto rails.

GRANHOLM: My transportation plan includes provisions to protect Michigan's roads including implementing a "Fix-It-First, Fix-It-Right" program that will prioritize the repair of existing roads and bridges. I also want to aggressively pursue our fair share of federal transportation dollars ... I also plan to dedicate one-half penny of the gas tax to fixing crumbling bridges around the state, some of which pose serious public safety problems for our residents.

POSTHUMUS: In the next decade I have a specific plan to increase road funding by an additional \$300 million per year ... without raising taxes (through) more federal transportation dollars, and a diesel tax increase is unfinished business from 1997 and should be raised to create parity between tax rates for truckers who buy diesel fuel and motorists who buy

regular gasoline.

POST: What is the most important issue facing Michigan for college students?

CAMPBELL: I'd say the single biggest problem facing college students is apathy. If you don't get involved and fight for what you believe in, the system will overtake you. Never underestimate your power. It was mainly college-age people who ended the war in Vietnam.

GRANHOLM: Ensuring that great jobs and good living opportunities await college students. I am certain that the high wage, high tech careers young people will seek will come about by growing Michigan's economy. It's vital that people remain in the state after they complete their education.

POSTHUMUS: Two issues facing college students: the high cost of tuition and the economy. Too many students are graduating college with high debt levels that makes it tough for them to gain financial independence and stability as they start out in life. The other major issue facing students is finding a good paying job when they graduate.

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outside care without the extra \$100 co-pay."

Talarek said although GHC does not have a licensed pharmacy, it does have a dispensary. Most of the medication patients receive from the dispensary is free of charge, such as general antibiotic, depression and allergy medications.

GHC also offers birth control for students at a low rate without insurance. According to GHC's office assistant Kim Czyz, birth control pills are available for \$10

per month, the Ortho-Evra Patch is \$15 per month and the Depo-Provera Injection is \$57. Some birth control pills cost as much as \$35 per month at pharmacies like CVS.

"If the patient needs a prescription we don't stock, the insurance pays 50 percent of the cost, up to \$250 per diagnosis, after the \$100 deductible is met," Talarek said.

According to Talarek acne treatment and wart removal are new services available at GHC,

and insurance will cover it if the procedure is done at the center.

Some other benefits GHC offers are annual physical exams, cholesterol screenings, mammograms (for age 40 and up), STD screenings and psychotherapy counseling.

For more information, students can pick up the "OU Student Health Insurance" brochure on the information table at GHC located north of Wilson Hall.

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Monday, November 4th

DIVERSITY DAY
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
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Fireside Lounge and OC Hallway

OU'S VIEW: FACULTY, STAFF AND STUDENT PHOTO CONTEST

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Tuesday, November 5th

STORYTELLER AFI-TIOMBE KAMBON
12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Fireside Lounge, OC

THE SOUNDS OF CULTURE: RECITAL HOUR
12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Verner Recital Hall

OU PAN JUMBIES

5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Vandenberg Cafeteria

HIP HOP AROUND THE WORLD
Dance Lessons

8:00 - 9:00 p.m., Studio 897, Recreation Center

Wednesday, November 6th

THE WRITE WAY TRANSLATION CONTEST
10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon., Lake Michigan, OC

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!
A MODERN LANGUAGES AND LIBRARY PRODUCTION
12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Fireside Lounge, OC

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DICTATION CONTEST FOR FRENCH STUDENTS
4:00 - 5:00 p.m., Lake Michigan Room, OC

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WINNER OF THE SUNDANCE FILM FESTIVAL
5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Fireside Lounge, OC

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AT THE CSA SERVICE WINDOW

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- 42nd Street - November 10
- Moscow Ballet's Nutcracker Ballet - November 9 & 10
- Disney on Ice: 100 Years of Magic - November 9 & 10
- Don Pasquale - November 8, 13 & 15
- Tale of the Allergist's Wife - November 17
- Detroit Pistons vs. Miami Heat - November 20
- Bolshoi's Ballet's "Swan Lake" - November 21
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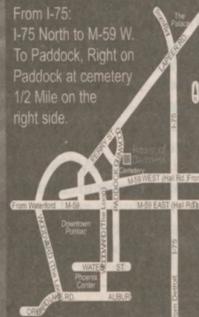
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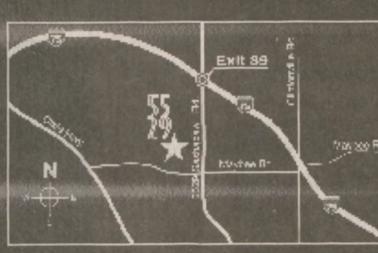
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Johnny's school of hard Knox

BY BRIAN URRETA
PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

That's one small step for man, one giant leap for "Jackass." That is, one giant leap with a few broken bones, bloody lips and bruised skulls.

Fearless "Jackass" leader, Johnny Knoxville, and his eclectic band of morons jump their now defunct MTV show from television to the big screen in their new film "Jackass: The Movie."

JACKASS: THE MOVIE
Rated R
Running time: 80 minutes

Basically following the same premise of the show, "Jackass: The Movie" raises the bar from its TV counterpart in a wild free-for-all of pranks and stunts that promises to raise eyebrows and drop jaws.

"Jackass: The Movie" is like "Jackass" the TV show, just a naughtier 90-minute version," said its creator Knoxville in a phone interview with *The Oakland Post*. "The movie is just the show to the tenth power."

Knoxville, Bam Margera, Chris Pontius, Steve-O and Ryan Dunn make up a small portion of the "Jackass" troop. The crew first rolled into fame by making low-budget videos of pranks and skateboard stunts for Big Brother, a skateboard magazine on the west coast. Eventually MTV caught wind of the boys and took a gamble by providing them with a production crew and a budget.

Hence the birth of "Jackass." It was just a matter of time before the wild hijinks of "Jackass" hit the big screen. Surprisingly, it was not until the end of the TV show's year-long run

before the idea for a movie even came about.

"The show ended abruptly when I quit," said Knoxville. "We had a backlog of ideas that we still wanted to do so we took about a month and a half to write out some material and after that we took about four months to film it."

With ferocious crocodiles, strategically placed fireworks and the tantalizing moves of Party Boy, "Jackass: The Movie" continues its reign of over the top, laugh-out-loud, gross comedy. Sure it's stupid and

half-witted, but what does one expect when walking into a movie entitled "Jackass"?

From the film's first few frames, audiences are made aware that this isn't Shakespeare, and that the individuals on screen are anything but thespians - they're idiots.

They will do anything for a laugh to amuse their audience and, more importantly, themselves.

Why is it so funny to watch Knoxville get knocked-out by boxer Butterbean at a shopping store in Japan? Who knows?

What is so amusing about Margera waking his parents up at 3 a.m. to the bright blast of fireworks? Who cares? "Jackass" is mindless entertainment that pokes fun at a society based on boundaries.

With no fear of negative press involving imitation of stunts, "Jackass: The Movie" inched away with a 'R' rating regardless of whatever dangerously crude stunts are carried out in the final product.

"We have disclaimers before and after



Photo courtesy of Ben Zo and Allied Advertising

the movie ... and with an 'R' rating, a certain audience cannot see the film without supervision," said Knoxville. "We were leery of putting easily imitated things into the movie."

Knoxville has a seven year-old daughter and he has no worries that she would follow in her father's footsteps after watching him sprain his ankle while attempting to roller-skate across the L.A. River.

"We monitor the things she watches.

Besides, she's a real girly-girl," he said.

Whether it be running around Japan in panda suits or zapping various body parts with muscle stimulators, some may believe that alcohol is involved with the execution of the stunts in both the show and film.

Knoxville strongly denies any substance involvement with whoever is executing the stunt at hand.

"The peanut gallery watching may be a little drunk. But who ever is perform-

ing the stunt is completely sober," he said. "Maybe a little hung over, but always sober."

Fans of the TV show will be more than happy to see the addition of the film to the "Jackass" family. Those opposed to the show will be even happier to find out, "Jackass: The Movie" is the final chapter to the "Jackass" saga.

"The movie is the exclamation point for 'Jackass,'" Knoxville said. "I love it too much to draw it out and make 'Jackass VII.' It's better to quit while it's still special."

As each individual branches into his own direction following the film, it's highly unlikely that audiences have seen the last of Knoxville and company.

Until that time, MTV reruns and DVD formats will have to make do to satisfy the fans hunger for more "Jackass."

Despite being shocked with a stungun, being gored by a bull and being arrested for a prank gone wrong, Knoxville proudly admits his fondest stunt during his run with "Jackass" actually has nothing to do with him.

"One of my favorite things we've ever done closes the film," he said. "Ryan Dunn took one for the team. I don't want to give it away but you'll never look at Ryan Dunn or toy cars the same way again."

Regardless of one's feelings towards Knoxville or the show, there's no denying his charismatic honesty when describing what made "Jackass" so special.

"We have a lot of bad ideas that we just happened to catch on film," he said.

Truthful words, spoken like a true jackass.

Student strives for office

BY LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

When OU students hit the polls this Election Day, many may see a familiar name on the ballot.

OU senior and Political Science major, Bretton Jones is running for State House Representative in the 41st district as a member of the Green Party. Michigan's 41st district includes parts of Royal Oak and Troy, as well as all of Clawson.

Jones, 22, first became involved in politics two years ago.

He explained that he became interested when he was disturbed by knowledge of "transgressions by the U.S. against the U.S. people and people abroad."

He decided to run for state representative last spring. "I decided to run because I felt that I had to gain momentum for the (Green) Party and spread the message to the 41st district that the Green Party is going to be a political force, and we're not going away," he said.

Jones said his political role models come from historical figures Ghandi, Martin Luther King Jr. and Thomas Payne. On campus, Jones' influences include Dr. Martha Zingo and Alan Epstein. Both are faculty in the Political Science department.

"They've given me a more abstract understanding of the world and basic direction it's going," Jones said.

He doesn't believe that his campaign or political standings are affected negatively by his young age.

"I've only seen positive reactions from people," he said. "They tend to associate older people with having no ideals and being corrupt."

Politically, Jones has a sure stand on all issues.



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post
Jones works diligently on his campaign for State House of Representatives

His main priority, if elected, would be campaign finance reform in Michigan, "which would end the ability for corporations to buy politicians."

Jones' ultimate political goal is to "establish a system of direct democracy in the United States of America."

If he wins this race, Jones plans to run for the U.S. House of Representatives after he turns 25, the legal minimum age required to be an eligible candidate for the position.

"The sky's the limit, but I want to be realistic," he added.

If Jones loses, he plans to go on to WSU for his master's in political science.

All of Jones' goals, however, do not focus on politics. He has written and hopes to sell his children's book someday.

"I have a deep appreciation for music and the arts. I would like to develop my ability to create art and communicate my ideas."

"I would also like to be a good father and maybe find a life partner with similar interests," he added.

When not working on his campaign, Jones is involved in campus organizations including Women's Issues Forum, the Political Union, Individuals for the Advancement of Bohemianism and the Philosophy Club.

Jones is confident about his political campaign.

"I am the only candidate in favor of making access to secondary education a right," Jones said. "And I am the only candidate interested in ending the big money corruption of our elected officials."

Fitz gets spooked



This masked student was just one of the many shocks in store for students at 'The Twisted Circus,' the 25th Annual Fitzgerald Haunted House held on Friday night. Participants were guided through the dorm building which was transformed into a maze of spooky and shocking sights.

Laura Angus/The Oakland Post

Dorms offer thrills and chills for Halloween

BY JIM KAISER
THE OAKLAND POST

With Halloween on Thursday, the dorms are gearing up for their annual Halloween events, as well as adding a new one.

"There's a bunch of stuff going on, and it's great," said Andy Baker, junior. "The events set the tone for the year as far as people getting involved."

One of the main events that the dorms will run is the annual floor decorating contest. Each floor decorates its hallways, which will be judged.

"This event is good because you get to work with everyone on your floor," said sophomore, Lauren Wummel, president of the Hamlin Hall Council. "It's like a big social event."

Alicia Sanzica, senior, is also excited about the

contest. "I love decorating my floor," she said. "The contest is fun because the whole floor gets involved."

Judging for the floor decorating contest will take place on Halloween Night.

The new event in the dorms this year is organized trick-or-treating on Oct. 31.

"Trick-or-treating is new this year, so that could be interesting," said Katie Wyatt, senior. "We live with these people, and if we don't know them, what fun is that?"

The dorms will all have their own times for trick-or-treating. Anibal and Fitzgerald will be open from 7-7:45 p.m., Hill House and Van Wagoner from 7:55-9 p.m., East and West Vandenberg from 9:10-10:15 p.m., and North and South Hamlin Halls from 10:25-11:30 p.m.

Students wishing to participate in the trick-or-treating festivities should bring their student ID, and come dressed in costume in order to gain admittance to the dorms.

Besides these upcoming events, the annual Fitzgerald Haunted House was held on Friday and the Halloween Party was held in Vandenberg cafeteria on Oct. 23.

Getting students involved is one of the main goals of this and other events, all of which are completely student planned.

"These events get the residents out of their rooms and involved," said Jeff Frankowiak, senior.

Frankowiak, a former resident assistant in East Vandenberg and a current living assistant in the student apartments, sees such events as "crucial" to getting people involved on campus. He also said he

is disappointed there are no similar activities in the apartments.

Besides getting students involved, these events have many benefits for OU students living on campus.

"They are very important to the students because they are student planned," said Janece Hayes, program director for the dorms.

Wyatt also stated that she believes these events "give a sense of community to residents."

The bottom line with these types of events is that they are fun and students enjoy them.

"They help to break up the monotony," said Sanzica. "It helps take your mind off of school for a while."



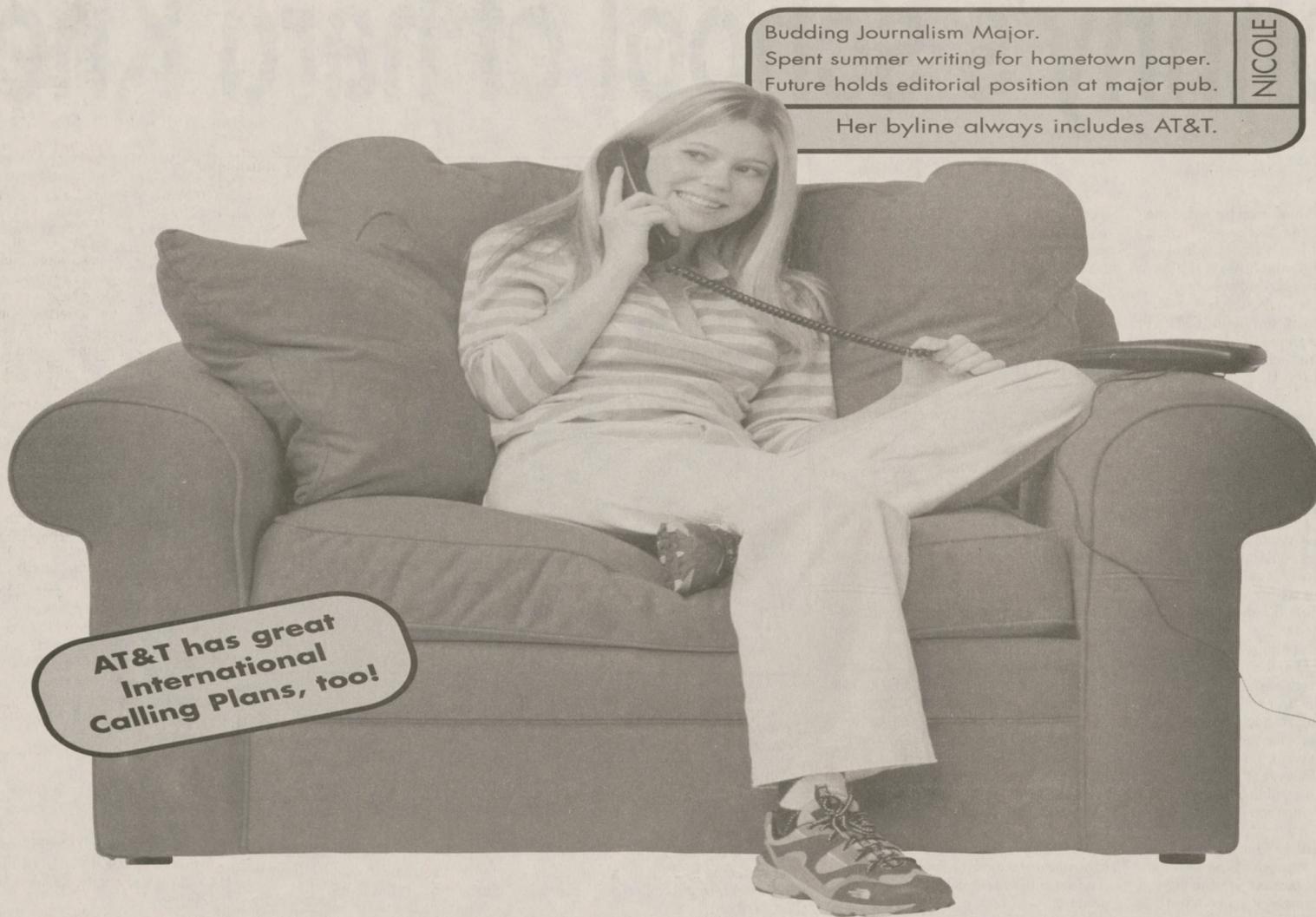
• Oct. 30
Artist's Lecture at MBAG: Eric Mesko at 5 p.m., 208 Wilson Hall.
Learn about this artist currently being featured at Meadow Brook Art Gallery. This informal event is free for everyone.

• Oct. 30 - Oct. 31
Become an informed voter, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 20/20 Information Desk, OC.
Vote in the mock election to give an early indication of how OU students will vote on Election Day.

• Oct. 31
Honors College Costume Party. 112 Vandenberg, 7 p.m. - midnight.
Admission is \$1 or a canned good for an evening of food, games and other Halloween fun with the Honors College.

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Freshman Angela Simetkosky takes a breath of air during one of her races at Saturday's quadrangular meet. Simetkosky took home a second-place finish in the 1000-yard freestyle, a third-place finish in the 200-yard butterfly and a fourth-place finish in the 500-yard freestyle. Her performance helped in the ladies 4-0 mark for the meet, competing against West Virginia, Akron, Wayne State and Niagara.

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The Oakland Post



RANDY DUDEK
Assistant Sports Editor

Did they even play the Series this year?

Baseball history was made late Sunday night at Edison International Field in Anaheim.

According to the fine folks over at the Neilsen ratings, the 2002 World Series should not be remembered for its on-field drama between the Anaheim Angels and the San Francisco Giants, Barry Bond's titanic homeruns or even the obnoxious Rally Monkey.

Instead, this year's Fall Classic is distinguished by an all-time low in number of viewers for the World Series.

Congratulations, Fox.

Just when it seems like threats of labor strife, contraction and drug use finally go away, and baseball fans get a chance to relax and watch some decent baseball, nobody shows up, at least at home.

How bad were the ratings? On Thursday, 18 percent of televisions were tuned into NBC's Must-Be-Rerun-Thursday while only 14 percent were watching live baseball.

Large portion of this is to be blamed on Fox. They treat sporting events like a wicked cross between a video game and a carnival sideshow.

Don't ever forget, Fox is the genius who brought the Glow-Puck to hockey.

I don't want to watch robots battling each other, I don't want to hear all sorts of bells and whistles every time a ball or strike is called and I certainly don't need close-ups of every single person in the stadium.

Instead, why not focus on the baseball games? They are the reason that we are watching. Of course, Fox can't even broadcast the on-field action properly.

In the last inning of game two, with San Francisco trailing by two runs, Bonds hit a solo home-run off of the Angels' all-star closer Troy Percival.

By all accounts the Giants' moody future Hall of Famer put the ball into orbit. I've heard accounts that he ball landed in San Francisco Bay. And the game was in Anaheim. I wish I could have seen it.

In spite of the dozens of Fox cameras in the stadium, not a single one was able to pick up the flight path of the baseball. The guy behind the plate was too caught up in taping Bonds' reaction to himself to bother.

The rest of the camera people were so busy getting footage of all of the stars gathered at the stadium that they must have completely forgotten what they were even there for. I tuned in to watch a baseball game, not crowd shots of Bernie Mac, Kiefer Sutherland, Malcom and Homer Simpson.

(On a side note: Hey Fox execs, it ruins the effect when you run The Simpsons' Halloween Special in November.)

For the past decade, people have been blaming baseball's poor TV viewership on the Atlanta Braves and New York Yankees for always being in the World Series. New teams would provide more interest, they say.

Whoops. There were plenty of reasons to watch this year's Series. The Giants, led by Bonds, the greatest living and perhaps most hated ballplayer, was up the Angels, a team made up of scrappy players who nobody has ever heard of.

Instead, the braintrust at Fox felt it more important to make sure that we knew that the next "Boston Public" was important. Should I care who the stars of "That '70s Show" wanted to win?

Well, there is always a bright side. In 2006 baseball gets to renegotiate broadcast rights again. Maybe somebody else might get to televise the game, if there is any interest left in baseball by then.

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Squads go undefeated

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

Both the men's and women's swimming and diving squads opened their dual meet seasons by going undefeated on Saturday.

The men defeated West Virginia, 124-107, WSU, 172-59, and Niagara, 172-51, to go 3-0 on the day. The women also defeated West Virginia, 148-92, WSU, 187-54, and Niagara, 198-44, as well as Akron, 138-105, to go 4-0.

For the women, the team of sophomore Tara Berringer, senior Danielle Ward and juniors Shelley Aurit and Tanya Korniyenko in the "A" relay, turned in the top 400-yard medley time. Their mark of 3:56.33 was the best in the event.

The team of sophomore Lindsay Unrath, junior Kelly Carlin and freshmen Erin Meredith and Maria Musialczyk turned in a time of 4:11.22, the top "B" relay mark.

In the 1,000-yard freestyle, the top OU time was swam by junior Angela Simetkosky, 10:35.34, good enough for second place overall.

Ward swam strong in the 200-yard freestyle, finishing on top with a time of 1:55.10.

Sophomore standout Oksana Strelets topped in the first of her two top times in the next women's event: the 50-yard freestyle. With a time of 24.27, Strelets

bested the rest of the competition. Strelets captured her second event of the day, the 100-yard freestyle, with a time of 52.72.

"Oksana is consistent as always," head swimming coach Pete Hovland said. "She's a great competitor and we know she is going to swimming fast in just about every situation we put her in."

Korniyenko continued OU's dominance in the 200-yard individual medley, placing first with a time of 2:08.78. In the 200-yard butterfly Korniyenko continued to perform well, swimming her way into first with a time of 2:06.06.

Berringer continued OU's daylong supremacy with her 2:07.85 time in the 200-yard backstroke, good enough for a first place finish.

The 500-yard freestyle ended with sophomore Karoline Freytag finishing in third place with a time of 5:13.64 to lead the women.

Aurit captured the women's seventh individual crown for OU in the 200-yard breaststroke, swimming a time of 2:26.44.

The eleventh and final event had the Grizzlies finishing on top for the eighth time, with the team of Ward, sophomore Holly Miller, Freytag and Strelets recording a time of 3:32.89 in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

In diving action, freshman Linda Keskey led the Grizzlies on both the one and three meter boards. She finished

fourth in events, with scores of 201.70 (one meter) and 226.55 (three meter).

Not to be outdone by the women, the men captured eight individual and relay event crowns of their own.

Both the 40-yard medley relay and 400-yard freestyle relay ended with OU men recording the best times. Ateam comprised of three freshman, Chris Lutz, Ehud Segal and Scott Dickens, and one junior, Sean Broadbent, finished atop the leader board of the medley relay with a time of 3:27.83.

"We are young, inexperienced and I am not sure what to expect," said Hovland. "Early on we have seen that everyone has a tremendous amount of enthusiasm and a strong desire to do well."

"The group has come together very well early and they are going to be the ones to carry the load, I think, this year."

The team of freshman Andrew Coupland, senior Doug Drazin and sophomores Mike Parrish and Chris Sullivan, claimed the crown for the freestyle relay, with a time of 3:10.00.

Freshman James Sewell was the top Grizzly finisher in the first men's individual event, placing third in the 1,000-yard freestyle with a time of 9:52.84.

In the next event, Coupland took home the top OU finish, with the 200-yard freestyle's second-best time of 1:42.14.

The men took first in the final individual events. The streak began when

Sullivan bested his competition in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 20.66.

Sullivan later continued the streak when he finished first in the 100-yard freestyle, swimming to a time of 46.20.

"We feel that (Chris) is way ahead of schedule," head swimming coach Pete Hovland said. "We're really pleased with his efforts over the summer. We think he is going to have a tremendous year."

Dickens kept the ball rolling with a 2:08.78 mark in the 200-yard individual medley to finish first.

Segal continued OU's superiority over the competition in the 200-yard butterfly with a first-place time of 1:53.75. Two events later, Segal captured yet another crown in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 1:55.97.

"We didn't know a lot about Ehud coming in," Hovland said. "We knew his times, but I don't think we knew what kind of competitor he was until this weekend."

In the 500-yard freestyle, three West Virginia swimmers capturing not only first, but second and third as well halted the streak. Coupland was the highest OU finisher, placing fourth with a time of 4:46.11.

At 4 p.m. on Friday, the two squads will travel to compete against Cincinnati in a dual meet. At 1 p.m. on Saturday, the team continues against Wright State on the road.

Women qualify for postseason

BY SUSIE MARKEE
THE OAKLAND POST

With the OU women's soccer team's 3-0 victory over IUPUI on Friday, the Grizzlies ended the conference season with a record of 3-2, placing the team in third place in the Mid-Con.

"We're really getting ready for the tournament. We'll make a few changes just so we have something different for the tournament," said OU head coach Nick O'Shea.

Oral Roberts went undefeated in conference place this season, 5-0, placing them atop the Mid-Con standings and securing the top seed in the tournament.

For the third straight year, the Golden Eagles will host the tournament on their home campus in Tulsa, Okla.

Valparaiso claimed the number two seed with a 4-1 conference record.

Southern Utah finished in a three-way tie for fourth place in the Mid-Con, with a 1-4 record. The Thunderbirds earned the postseason berth in a tiebreaker over Western Illinois and IUPUI by virtue of goal differential in conference games.

Southern Utah had five goals scored with 11 against for a dif-

ferential of six.

Western Illinois had a differential of nine and IUPUI's scoring margin was 11.

The Grizzlies will face Valparaiso on Nov. 8 in the first of two semifinal matchups and Oral Roberts will take on Southern Utah in the other semifinal.

The winners of the two matches will square off in the championship game on Nov. 10.

OU is hoping to win its third consecutive Mid-Con tournament championship.

To prepare for the postseason action, the Grizzlies scheduled three non-conference games, including a game last Sunday against U-M that OU lost 2-0.

In the Grizzlies win over IUPUI, junior Beth Howson led the Grizzlies offense over the hapless Jaguars.

Howson headed the ball into net after taking a pass from freshman Silje Moen for the first goal of the game.

Only two minutes later, Howson struck again when she headed the ball, this time off of a corner kick by OU junior Erica Demers, extending the Grizzlies' lead to two.

With the two goals against the Jaguars, Howson upped her sea-

son total to three.

Towards the end of the second half, Grizzlies freshman Kristi Swaving scored her eighth goal of the season when she blasted the ball into the net on a break-away with fellow freshman Leah Cherf picking up the assist.

OU goalkeeper Sarah Buckley picked up a relatively easy shutout, needing only one save to blank IUPUI.

The Grizzlies dominated the Jaguars, outshooting them 21-3.

"We played a great game," said O'Shea. "The girls out played IUPUI throughout."

OU fell to 21st-ranked U-M on Sunday, in the first of three non-conference games remaining.

Both teams fought back and forth in a scoreless first half.

In the 68th minute, U-M's Andrea Kayal opened up the scoring with a goal on a free kick to propel the Wolverines to a 1-0 lead.

OU committed a foul only seven minutes later, allowing Kayal to pick up her second goal of the game on a free kick.

"We played well," O'Shea said. "We fought hard and had chances to score."

"Besides the two free kicks, it was an evenly matched game. But we won't win unless we pay

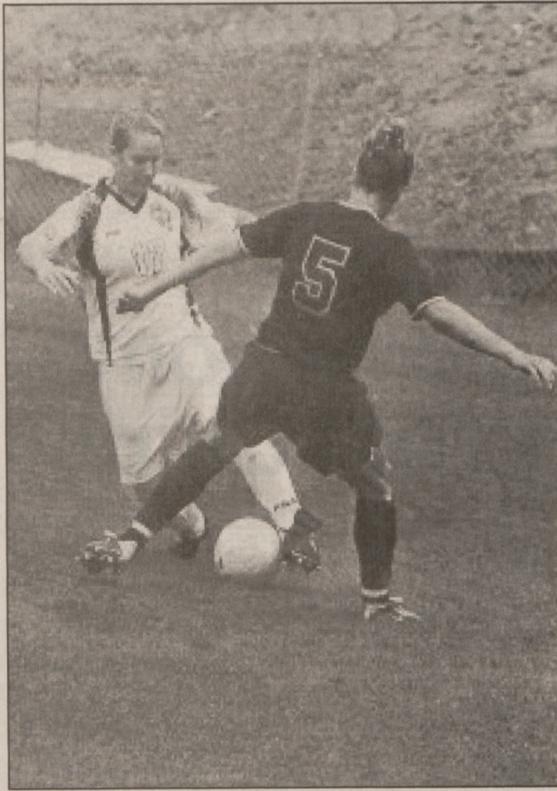


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Junior Beth Howson moves attempts to move around a defender in a match earlier this season. Howson recorded two goals in OU's 3-0 victory over IUPUI on Friday, giving her three on the season.

attention the whole game."

The Wolverines out shot OU 18-6 overall and put five more shots on goal than the Grizzlies.

OU will continue to prepare for the Mid-Con tournament at 3 p.m. Thursday against the

Broncos of WMU.

O'Shea is not too worried about the upcoming Halloween game against the 7-8-1 Broncos.

"Western's been up and down," he said. "If we play our game we'll win."

OU margin for error small

Volleyball must win three of last four

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

After two heartbreaking defeats over the weekend, the women's volleyball squad is in jeopardy of not qualifying for the Mid-Con's postseason tournament.

"We can still get in the tournament," OU head coach Mark Ridley said. "If we can finish with three more wins in conference, that would put us at 5-7, and that could be good enough to get in."

This weekend OU surrendered early leads to IUPUI and Valparaiso, jumping ahead by winning the first game in both matches.

"It's kind of weird because our volleyball was much better than the weekend before," Ridley said. "It was a tough loss against IUPUI, and we had a 2-0 lead against Valpo and just couldn't hang on."

In Friday's match against IUPUI, OU fell to the Jaguars 3-1, with two of the four games decided by just two points.

The Grizzlies used a first game attack percentage of .342 to take the early lead, then followed with two games of .000 percentages to fall behind, 2-1.

An evenly matched fourth game, with the two teams recording 18 kills and eight errors each, ended with the Jaguars securing the game and the match.

Junior Beth Ann Rourke (14) and sophomore Sara Miller (11) were the only two women to contribute double-digits in kills for OU. Freshmen Amanda Fowler and Whitney Lane added nine kills each, as well.

Defensively, junior Courtney Varterasian led the Grizzlies with 14 digs. Rourke and lone-senior Becca Saldana added 12 digs each.

Junior Lauren Bramos had 11 digs of her own.

Saldana also recorded 41 assists in the loss.

Saturday's match against Valparaiso was eerily similar to the previous day's contest against IUPUI. Instead of losing a one-game lead, however, OU dropped the match after winning the first two games.

"We had another five-game loss to Western Illinois earlier this season, and you think about what it would be like if those losses were wins," Ridley said.

Both of the Grizzlies' game wins were closely fought, 30-26 and 30-27. The difference in game three was the Crusaders' heightened offensive effort.

Valparaiso had an attack percentage of .294 to OU's .172, in a game that proved to be the shift in the match's momentum.

The Grizzlies' attack percentage continued to decline in the fourth game, falling to .089 while the Crusaders hit .203 to win the game, 30-24. Valparaiso closed the match out by hitting .550 in the fifth and deciding game.

OU presently ranks last in the Mid-Con in overall team attack percentage at .094 and is surrendering the second highest opponent attack percentage at .227.

Varterasian led the Grizzlies' offensive push with 20 kills. Junior Patti Hunter added 15 kills and Lane contributed 14.

"It's all in our ballpark now. We played good volleyball this weekend and we just need to push it."

Mark Ridley
Head Coach
Volleyball

Currently, OU is last in kills per game, trailing Western Illinois' mark of 11.46 by two-hundredths.

Rourke leads the team, averaging 2.16 kills per game, followed by Miller with 1.98 and Fowler who is recording 1.92 kills per game.

OU had five women in double-digits in defensive digs, including Varterasian (24), Rourke (22) and Bramos (22) who had more than 20 digs. Sophomore Katie Lozier recorded 18 digs.

Saldana had 13 digs to go along with 57 assists, to bring her season average to 8.41 sets per game.

After the weekend's action, the Grizzlies ranked third in the league in digs per game, averaging 16.29.

Lozier and Rourke are pacing the team in the defensive category, averaging 3.43 and 3.09 digs respectively.

Saldana is contributing 2.84 digs per game.

Although the team tied IUPUI with 13 blocks each and was outblocked by Valparaiso 10-7, the women still lead the Mid-Con in blocks having recorded 198 over the course of the year. That total is 12 more than the nearest competitor, Valparaiso.

Saldana is the team's leader in blocks per game, averaging just under one, to rank third among the individual conference leaders.

Fowler is averaging .81 blocks per game and Miller is contributing .77 blocks per contest, placing them second and third on the team.

With a conference record of 2-6, the Grizzlies place fifth in the league. The top four teams are invited to compete in the Mid-Con tournament. Currently, UMKC is ranked fourth in the Mid-Con with a conference record of 4-4.

OU defeated the Kangaroos in the teams' first meeting this season. The Grizzlies face UMKC again on Friday, Nov. 15 in what could be a crucial conference game, because a win would give the women the tiebreaker if the two teams should tie for the fourth spot.

After it's contest with UMKC, OU must face conference-leading Oral Roberts. The Golden Eagles have won five straight Mid-Con tournaments and are currently undefeated in league play.

"That's a tough team to face when that match decided whether you make the tournament or not," Ridley said. "We'd like to get it taken care of before that."

OU must first worry about taking on Chicago State and Western Illinois this weekend.

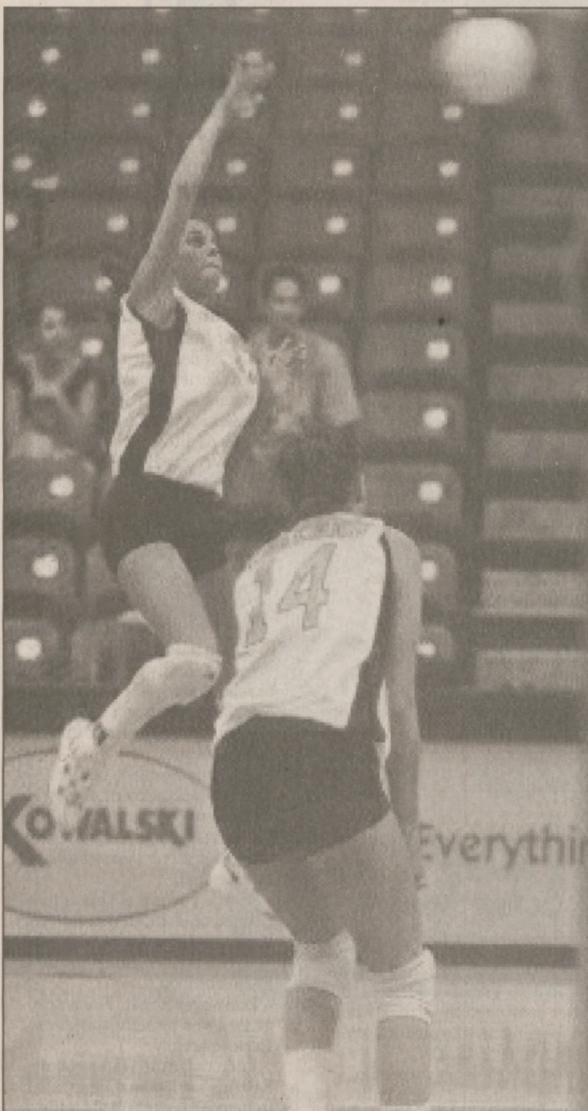
At 7 p.m. Friday, the Grizzlies take on Chicago State in the O'rena. The Cougars have a 1-7 record in the conference, placing them seventh in the league.

Ridley said that he would like to go in and win these games to take some of the pressure off the girls.

"It's going to be an important weekend for us," Ridley said. "It's all in our ballpark now."

"We played good volleyball this weekend and we just need to push it. We know we can beat (Chicago State and Western Illinois), we just need to go out and do it."

OU then takes on Western Illinois at 5 p.m. Saturday, also at the O'rena, in a matchup of team with 2-6 conference record.



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post
Sophomore Sara Miller looks on as junior Courtney Varterasian slams one home for OU. Varterasian had 26 kills in the Grizzlies' two losses this weekend, including a team-high 20 in the loss to Valparaiso.

Grizzlies tie Mid-Con foe Valpo

BY ZVONKO BLAZEWSKI
THE OAKLAND POST

The OU men's soccer team clinched a spot in November's Mid-Con conference tournament with a 0-0 draw to Valparaiso last Saturday at the Lower Fields.

The conference tournament is important because the winner will receive an automatic bid into the NCAA tournament.

The Crusaders were lucky to escape with a draw, as the Golden Grizzlies dominated possession and created numerous scoring opportunities en route to a 28-9 shot advantage.

OU outshot Valparaiso, 9-4, in the first half. Valparaiso had a great scoring opportunity in the 17th minute as a forward was in on a breakaway. OU's freshman goaltender Jeff Wiese cut off the angle and corralled the shot.

The Golden Grizzlies responded with a good chance of their own as sophomore midfielder Marcus Halland missed the upper right corner of the net in the 26th minute.

In the second half, OU outshot Valparaiso 15-4.

The Golden Grizzlies had several chances to score and looked dangerous as sophomore forward Philip Braathen took a free kick after a Valparaiso foul in the 57th minute. Braathen's shot curved around the wall on the ground and missed a few inches to the right of the beaten Valparaiso goalkeeper.

Three minutes later, the Golden Grizzlies again

almost broke the deadlock as sophomore midfielder Shahar Ktovim's shot from the right side missed just wide of an open net as the keeper was caught off his line.

Valparaiso's best chance of the second half came in the 72nd minute but was thwarted on a brilliant save by Wiese. Mark Korba's shot looked destined for the goal but Wiese dove across the net from the right and deflected the ball out of bounds to preserve the scoreless tie.

Five minutes before the end of regulation, Edwards' found Braathen in the box with a crossing pass, but Braathen was unable to control the volley as it went over the Crusaders' goal.

In the first overtime, the Golden Grizzlies had several chances in less than a minute to pull out the victory but luck would not have it. In the 95th minute, Braathen's shot was blocked, but the ball came out to freshman forward Mike Vega, whose shot was also blocked by a Valparaiso defender. The ball came to Ktovim, whose shot went wide right from six yards out.

Wiese made five saves for the Golden Grizzlies to record his third shutout of the season. The Golden Grizzlies outshot the Crusaders 4-1 in both overtimes.

Last Wednesday Tim Brown scored twice as the University of Cincinnati defeated a depleted OU team, 3-0.

The Golden Grizzlies were missing five starters for

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Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post
Sophomore Philip Braathen fights a UMKC defender, and the weather, during the team's 0-0 tie with the Kangaroos. Braathen took a team-high eight shots to help OU outshoot UMKC 28-9 for the match.

Hockey drops home game against Chips

BY RANDY DUDEK
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

After starting the season off on a tear in which they went unbeaten in four of five contests, the OU men's club hockey team dropped a 7-3 decision to intrastate rival CMU in a home contest last Friday.

"The boys simply beat themselves," said team general manager Tom Ricketts. "Central is a very good team, but for two periods, we played them tough."

After the Chips got out to an early first period lead, OU knotted up the game five minutes into the second period, as junior forward Ron Kolito took a pass from senior center Scott Marlinga to open up the scoring for OU.

Kolito snared the lead for the Grizzlies one minute later, as he

picked up the game's second goal. Freshman forward Will McMahon and junior defenseman Dan Olesky picked up the assists.

The OU lead was pushed to two with six minutes remaining in the period when sophomore forward Ryan Teasdale snuck the puck past the CMU goalie.

Junior forward Nick Shenduk picked up the assist.

The Chippewas closed the gap to one goal late in the second period, scoring a power play goal, then proceeded to score five unanswered third period goals to to run away with the contest.

"Penalties were our Achilles' heel," said Ricketts. "Central scored a couple power play goals, and the momentum simply changed in their favor."

"We must do a better job defensively as well as maintaining our

discipline if we expect to do well against MSU and Ferris this weekend," said Ricketts.

This weekend will be an important one for the Grizzlies, as they open up Great Midwest Hockey League (GMHL) action against MSU and Ferris State.

At 8:30 p.m. on Friday, OU takes on the Spartans at the Onyx in Rochester.

The contest will feature OU's first 'Scariest Fan Contest' with prizes and \$2 off admission for those who show up in costume. On Saturday, the Grizzlies travel to Big Rapids to face off against the Bulldogs.

"Michigan State has gotten off to a slow start, but I expect them to be the toughest team we will face so far," Ricketts said.

"With Ferris State on Saturday night, it will be a 'gut check' time for our boys."

Lacrosse ends preseason well

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

Ashaky start to its preseason, three straight losses, did not deter the OU men's club lacrosse team from making progress in this fall's exhibition season.

The team rallied to win its remaining five games to accumulate a record of 5-3 for the preseason.

Losses to Canadian teams, Brock University and Western Ontario University, not only had the men playing foreign talent, but members of the Canadian national team.

"This was a key tournament for all the collegiate Midwest teams," head coach Dwayne Hicks said. "It is a preview of the 2003 season."

"It is also important because it will help determine a team's national ranking."

Games were shortened from four 15-minute quarters to two 20-minute running halves for the tournament. Also, teams were not allowed any timeouts.

The format allowed the teams to play three games in one day.

OU dropped its first game of the invitational in overtime to the University of Illinois, 7-6.

The Fighting Illini scored three goals in the final three minutes and the game-winner in overtime.

The Grizzlies defeated their remaining five opponents during the tournament, MSU (6-3), Purdue (7-6), Pittsburgh (8-0), WMU (6-4) and EMU (7-3).

Throughout the course of the tournament, OU outscored its opponents, 34-16.

The team is looking for a place to practice for the winter to prepare for the regular season, which begins on Feb. 15.

LACROSSE SPRING SCHEDULE

Feb. 15	Auburn
Feb. 16	Georgia
March 15	MSU
March 16	EMU
March 21	Taylor
March 23	U-M
March 29	Buffalo
March 30	Purdue
April 5	Pittsburgh
April 6	NC State @ Pitt
April 12	CMU
April 13	Indiana
April 19	WMU

April 25-27
CCLA Championships
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(Italics denote home games)

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GRIZZLY SPOTLIGHT

Junior Beth Howsen saved her best for last in the regular season, as she was named Mid-Con soccer offensive player of the week.



Howsen led OU in its final conference match-up, a 3-0 defeat of the IUPUI Jaguars.

Her two goal effort paced the Grizzlies in the victory and helped them clinch the third seed in the Mid-Con tournament.

Her goals outburst gives her a total of three goals on the season.

Howsen is the fourth Grizzly this season to be named player of the week.

Junior Tanya Korniyenko was a large factor in the Grizzlies success at the Quadrangular meet, where they defeated Niagara, WSU and West Virginia.

Korniyenko finished the meet taking first in the 200m butterfly (2:06.06) as well as the 200m individual medley (2:08.78).



She was a member of Oakland's top finishing 400m medley team.

Korniyenko holds the top Mid-Con performance times in each of those individual events and was named the first Mid-Con swimming and diving athlete of the week.

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their game against the Bearcats. Freshman forward/defender Chris Edwards, sophomore midfielder Bret McNabb, sophomore forward Philip Braathen and junior defender Jason Perry were rested by head coach Gary Parsons so that they could play in the conference game against Valparaiso. A fifth starter, sophomore midfielder Doug Rice, is out for the season with a knee injury.

Cincinnati's defense held the OU offense to no shots in the first half. Cincinnati had nine shots in the first half.

The Bearcats scored first in the 11th minute on a goal from Jarret Devereaux. Josh Gardner crossed the ball to John Liersemann, who then headed the ball across the goal area to Devereaux for the goal.

Cincinnati doubled their lead in the 35th minute. Brandon Dobbs' free kick found Tim Brown, who headed past Wiese for the goal.

The Golden Grizzlies conceded a third goal two minutes before half, as Brown found the net for the second time in the game. Scott Lyons was pulled down on a breakaway by an OU defender inside the penalty box, resulting in the referee signalling for a penalty kick. Brown converted the resulting

penalty kick to give the Bearcats a 3-0 lead.

The Golden Grizzlies played better in the second half as they held the Bearcats to only four shots, but Cincinnati continued to play strong defense, as OU was only able to take two shots in the second half. OU was outshot 13-2 in the game.

Wiese made three saves for the Golden Grizzlies in the loss. John Adams recorded the shutout for the Bearcats.

The Golden Grizzlies are currently 6-6-3, 2-1-1 in the Mid-Con. OU and Valparaiso are tied for first place, with OU in first based on goal difference. OU plays its final Mid-Con game on Friday at 3 p.m. against UMKC. If the Golden Grizzlies win or tie and Valparaiso loses to Western Illinois on November 3, OU will host the Mid-Con tournament. A loss could complicate the scenario for hosting the conference tournament.

"If you want to be witty, work on your character and say what you think on every occasion."

-Marie-Henri Beyle Stendhal

I'm comin' through!



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While looking through our old photographs, we came across one that was a lot funnier on the second look than we first noticed. Get that ball.

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GRIZZLY SPORTS CALENDAR

Records in bold type denote Mid-Con standings. Records in italics denote club league standings. Games shaded in gray denote home games.

	30 Wed	31 Thu	1 Fri	2 Sat	3 Sun	4 Mon	5 Tue
			4 p.m. Cincinnati	1 p.m. Wright State			
		3 p.m. Western Michigan		Noon Toledo			
			3 p.m. UMKC				
				T.B.D. Mid-Con Championship			
							7 p.m. Central Michigan
			8:30 p.m. Michigan State	T.B.D. Ferris State			

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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ACROSS

- Gorilla
- Paid in addition to salary
- Amount (abbr.)
- Friend
- Mature
- West
- Prophecy
- Aband; link
- Father of detective story
- Drive away
- Hurl; toss
- Meridian (abbr.)
- Removal from set type
- Mineral
- Devotee
- Wand
- Third note in musical scale
- Awful
- Books of Bible (abbr.)
- Vinegar ether
- Pale
- Enzyme (chem. suf.)
- Unit
- Will
- Young and gang suffix

DOWN

- Army Post Office (abbr.)
- Equal
- Gone by
- Wrap hay
- Lyric poem
- 13th Greek letter
- Stomach lesion
- Halt
- Charm against injury
- Bad; wrong (pref.)
- Brewed drink
- Bed
- Treadle
- Restore service

- Haley's _____
- Get up
- Damage
- Not tight
- Not tight
- Come in
- Evergreen
- Bread roll
- Devil
- Ardent follower
- Mexican food
- Add to
- Provide food
- Standing room only (abbr.)
- Payment for occupancy
- Reed instrument
- War prisoner (abbr.)
- Untruth
- Bowed; curved
- Fish eggs
- Beetle
- Southern state (abbr.)

Look for answers in next week's edition.

For entertainment purposes only

Just for a goof, The Oakland Post's sports "experts" present who they think is going to win all of the professional football games, as well as local or important collegiate matchups. All picks are made straight-up, without the aid of a betting line. The Oakland Post is not responsible for gambling debts incurred by those who choose to follow the advice below.



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Dallas vs Detroit	Detroit	Dallas	Detroit	Detroit
Baltimore vs Atlanta	Atlanta	B-More	Baltimore	Baltimore
New England vs Buffalo	Buffalo	Bledsalo	Buffalo	Patriots
Philadelphia vs Chicago	Philly	Philly	Philly	Philly
Pittsburgh vs Cleveland	Pittsburgh	The Burgh	Pittsburgh	Pitts
Tennessee vs Indianapolis	Indy	"Houston"	Indy	indy
Minnesota vs Tampa Bay	T.B.	Tampa	Tampa	Minn
Cincinnati vs Houston	Houston	Houston	Cincy	Houston
NY Jets vs San Diego	San Diego	Bolts	San Diego	San Diego
Washington vs Seattle	Wash.	Seahawks	Wash.	Wash.
St. Louis vs Arizona	St. Louis	Rams	Arizona	St. Louis
San Francisco vs Oakland	The Niners	Da Raiders	Oakland	Niners
Jacksonville vs NY Giants	G-Men	New Joisey	Giants	Jags
Miami vs Green Bay	Fish	Fish	Green Bay	Green Bay
Michigan State vs Michigan	Spartans	U-Mich	Michigan	MSU
Notre Dame vs Boston College	Notre Dame	21st cent. B.C.	Notre Dame	Notre Dame

Student AFFAIRS

Updating OU

Graham Health Center

Flu Vaccine. The Visiting Nurses Association will be holding flu clinics in the hallway of the OC on November 5th from 10 AM- 2 PM and November 6th from 1-5 PM. Cost is \$15, and it's open to the public. Sponsored by the Graham Health Center. Please call ext. 2341 or email health@oakland.edu if you have any questions. Protect yourself and those you love—get vaccinated!

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CAMPUS REC HAPPENINGS

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Tuesday, November 5

Storyteller Afi-Tiombe Kambo, 12 noon-1 PM, Fireside Lounge, OC

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, November 6

Wellness Wednesday, "What Is The Big Deal About SOY?"— 12:05 PM-1 PM, Pioneer Room in the Rec Center. No registration required.

Thursday, November 7

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Friday, November 8

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