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## Presidential race heats up

By GAYLE ISSA  
MANAGING/EDITORIAL EDITOR

The two candidates vying for OU Student Congress presidential issues, debated their individual merits and fielded questions from concerned students Monday at the OUSC presidential debate.

In his opening speech, OUSC legislator and candidate Jonathan Parks, junior, said, "I have the experience to take OU up a notch," and added that he and running mate Kenton Lewis, junior, care about students' concerns.

Candidate Mike McGuinness, sophomore, said he wants to be a "sounding board" for OU stu-

dents.

"We are not here to say we have the best ideas ... but we are energetic people dedicated to improving the lives of OU students," McGuinness said of himself and running mate Sarah Cook, junior.

"We want to be the chief advocates and spokespeople for OU students."

Paul Franklin, director of Campus Programs, challenged each candidate with questions about financial issues.

Both candidates have goals that center on effective financial planning within OUSC in light of the state budget crunch. A closer look at the Student Activities Funding Board, the branch of OUSC responsible for allocating

money to campus organizations, was a mark in both candidates' presentations.

Parks said, "There are 130 organizations fighting for the same money. If we can make SAFB better, we can make organizations better and we can make events better."

He said one possibility would involve implementing a cap on how much money student organizations can receive. He stressed that he does not yet know whether it's better to give one organization \$10,000 or 10 organizations \$1,000 each.

In rebuttal, McGuinness said he would consider implementing monthly allocations instead of large lump sums in order to avoid the shortfall that was seen

last month.

"Allocation of funds is important ... we've seen recently that there was not enough money to last through the end of the semester," he said.

The semester student activity fee that funds SAFB became an issue of contention. Citing OU's affordability as a reason students choose to attend school here, he said he will not raise the fee in order to ease the financial burden.

In contrast, Parks said in one to two years the fee would likely need to be raised slightly in order to meet students' needs, citing the 2010 vision of 20,000 students at OU as his reasoning.

Parks and McGuinness also Please see OUSC on A9



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post  
Candidates Jonathan Parks (left) and Michael McGuinness exchange thoughts at the OUSC presidential debate Monday in the OC.

### Praying for peace



Shelia Ballor/The Oakland Post

Members of the OU community gather for an anti-war candlelight vigil outside the Oakland Center Sunday night. The ceremony, part of the Global Vigil for Peace movement, was one of thousands held across the U.S. and Europe.

### BOT asks for another week

The Oakland Post's attorney, Herschel Fink, is awaiting a response from the Board of Trustees on the ongoing Open Meetings Act dispute between The Post and the BOT.

The dispute flared when Post editors discovered a secret BOT meeting on campus Jan. 15. The BOT Secretary and General

Counsel, Victor Zambardi, sent a letter to The Post's corporate owner, The Oakland Sail, Inc., threatening to sue if the paper continued its coverage on the dispute.

Fink responded to the letter, giving the BOT a week to offer "some satisfactory explanation for the closed session and ... an

unambiguous declaration from the Board of Trustees that it will obey OMA and the mandate of the Legislature to do so."

After Trustee Chair Henry Baskin called him, Fink gave the Board an additional week to respond.

- Rebecca Wyatt,  
Campus News Editor

## Ailing Health Institute gets axed

By REBECCA WYATT  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

The hemorrhaging Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute is closing its doors April 25.

"It's been in the works for a while," confirmed Ron Olson, dean of the School of Health Sciences.

He said the Board of Trustees has been asking MBHEI for quarterly reports, and this year the Board has been asking more questions about MBHEI's future.

Olson said MBHEI, a health enhancement and disease prevention center, has been around since the early 1980s and accu-

mulating debt since that time. He said the projected total debt is \$457,000, and the debt for this year is expected to be roughly \$92,000.

Olson said on a one-time basis when deficits occur in auxiliaries, revenues of other auxiliaries cover the shortfall.

However, he said he isn't sure how the \$457,000 will be made up.

"We've been trying very hard to make revenues exceed expenses for three years," Olson said.

According to the OU website, the closure was announced Friday to the staff, which includes five full-time faculty. The website said OU's human

resource department is working with the staff to help them find other employment.

Olson said the 140 members of the institute are being notified of the decision and members will have the option to switch membership to OU's Rec Center.

He added that patients will be able to find the same assessment services elsewhere.

"The slack will be taken up by health care providers," Olson said.

Tim Sullivan, a Rochester Hills resident and member of MBHEI for eight years, said he will miss the institute and

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## Senate resumes push for faculty liaisons

By DERRICK SOBODASH  
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In a surprise motion, Joel Russell, professor of Chemistry and president of the American Association of University Professors, presented a resolution to add two faculty liaisons to the Board of Trustees at the OU Senate meeting last Thursday.

Russell said his decision to put this forward was spurred by the March BOT meeting.

At the meeting, Henry Baskin, chair of the BOT, asked all groups of the university to work together in the current

budget situation. Russell, in remarks to the trustees, suggested that OU's Board adopt a model similar to Michigan State University's Board, which currently has five faculty liaisons.

Baskin afterwards suggested the Senate send its request for liaisons directly to the board.

Currently, the student body has two liaisons to the BOT.

"We're not asking for anything more than the students already have," Russell said.

The resolution was unanimously approved. It will be presented to the Board at its April meeting.

A brief presentation on the 2004-2005 academic calendar was made earlier in the meeting. According to Registrar Steve Shablin, if the school continues to use its current calendar system, there will be a problem in 2004 of fall commencements being held on Dec. 25, Christmas Day.

Several new models were proposed by Shablin, which relied on beginning classes prior to Labor Day to offset the scheduling and keeping commencements in December.

Under his third proposed schedule, commencements Please see SENATE on A9

## Students to rally for affirmative action in D.C.

By GAYLE ISSA  
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OU students will join others from hundreds of campuses to march in Washington, D.C. in support of affirmative action. The civil rights march on April 1 will take place while the U.S. Supreme Court hears the two University of Michigan cases.

The Supreme Court justices will decide whether applicants to U-M and its law school were unconstitutionally turned down because they were white in two separate cases in which both students sued the school, challenging its admission policies. The

decision is due in June.

Helen Ellison, assistant director for Diversity and Compliance, said, "It's history being made. I remember the march on Washington with Martin Luther King Jr. Sometimes we let things slide by, but OU students have shown they are aware and concerned and want to be involved."

More than 50 students from OU will take buses down to D.C. and protest in favor of affirmative action policies in college admission. Admission policies allow decisions to be based partly on race. Last month, President Bush filed a brief with the Supreme Court expressing his

opposition to U-M's admissions program.

Ellison, one of the main organizers of the trip, said that regardless of one's views on affirmative action, this march would bring clarity to those on the other side of the issue. She said both sides need to understand the reasoning of the other.

The trip is being paid for by contributions from departments across campus.

Jacquelyn Claiborne, freshman, said she will march "to support the University of Michigan's stance on diversity because the outcome of the case could affect all Michigan college students."

She said, "I hope the outcome will mean that the University of Michigan's system will keep its integrity, that this case is just a test and that affirmative action will still be in the university's admission policy ... because it's effective in alleviating past inequalities."

Brian Welch, junior and president of the Law Council, will also march.

"I support the intent of affirmative action. The intent is to bring equality to American society - on a political, social and economic level," he said. "Regardless of one's political beliefs, all students should go because it will be a

landmark decision and will shape race relations for years to come."

But opinions vary sharply on this controversial issue.

Justin Mularski, junior, said he does not think U-M should win this case.

"I think that if an affirmative action program is going to be used in a public university then it should also include economic factors and anyone who benefits from it racially should meet the minimum qualifications for acceptance," he said. "But it's great that a political issue has motivated so many students to march on Washington to express their views, even though I may

not be in complete agreement with them."

The bus trip will feature a history lesson and video on the history of the civil rights movement.

As of press time, all available spots on OU's bus were filled.

However, according to Jean Ann Miller, director of the Center for Student Activities, there is a waiting list for students interested in participating. If enough students sign up, she said another bus may be added.

Interested students should contact the CSA office in the OC.

The trip is free, but a \$25 refundable deposit is required to reserve a seat.

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## Alumni travel to Tibet

BY VIRGINIE PEROV  
THE OAKLAND POST

According to a Chinese saying, "Traveling a thousand miles is like reading a thousand books."

It is in this spirit of promoting life-long learning that the Alumni Association is organizing a trip to China and Tibet this summer.

From Aug. 6-Aug. 23, the alumni will travel across the country by air and motor coach, stopping to explore Beijing, Lhasa, Hong Kong and other places.

The participants will stay in comfortable hotel accommodations along the way and stop to admire places of natural beauty such as mountains, lakes and glaciers. They will also visit legendary places such as Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City and the Great Wall of China. In addition, the travelers will have the opportunity to learn about different religions and meet with local people.

Associate Professor of Anthropology Richard Stamps is one of the organizers and has been studying China for 40 years.

"It was part of my academic

research," he said, "and I like sharing what I have learned over the years." Stamps has been to China many times and speaks Mandarin, the national language of China.

"I like the traditional values and the friendly people. I like their sense of history, how they can combine old and new, and did I mention the good food?" Stamps asked.

Stamps said China is a large and important country that is evolving very rapidly.

"I want to see it again before it becomes too modern," said Stamps, who has been teaching Asian studies for 28 years.

Alumni Relations Director Adrienne Bass attended last year's trip. She said it was one of the most delightful programs that she has ever experienced.

"I was visiting a Confucian temple on my birthday, and monks played happy birthday to me with their chimes and instruments. It was most memorable," Bass said.

This trip is part of a three-year plan that started last year and in which travelers will discover differ-

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Professor Richard Stamps leads a group in Tibet last year. Stamps will head up the same excursion this year.

## Writing Festival honors student compositions

BY REBECCA WYATT  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

The deadline for the Second Annual Writing Festival has been extended until Monday.

The festival will be held from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. April 1 in the Gold Rooms of the Oakland Center.

"It's really a way for students to showcase their writing in a variety of mediums," said Anne Becker, coordinator of this year's festival and special instructor in the Rhetoric, Communication and Journalism department.

She said projects can be written, visual, spoken and digital such as webpages and Powerpoint presentations. She also said there will be a variety of those projects at the Festival.

"We are going to try and be more organized with the oral presentations," Becker said. She said they should be running every half hour.

"It's really open to any students in the university," said Becker. "We would love to have people from other departments."

She said many rhetoric classes will be participating, but there are also some linguistics students participating, as well as other classes. A list of the topics and times will be posted outside of the Heritage Room. The presentations will be made in the Heritage Room.

Becker said there will be refreshments and door prizes. In order to win the writing related prizes, students will have to fill out a survey. At the end of the day, 20-25 names will be drawn and the winners will be contacted by email, Becker said.

Most of the funding comes from the President's Office. She said the Festival requires expensive equipment, and the money from the President's Office has been helpful.

She also said the bookstore has given the Festival a discount.

"It was a lot of fun last year seeing all the different presentations," Becker said. "And we have a lot of variety to project this year."

## Survey measures experience

BY REBECCA WYATT  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Seniors and first-year OU students have the opportunity to participate in a survey with 365 other colleges and universities across the U.S.

The College Student Report 2003 is a survey about where students spend their time, the types of classes they are taking, the quality of their classes and their college experience.

The report will be mailed to 1,000 OU students in the com-

ing weeks and students will be responsible for filling it out and mailing it in, or completing the online version.

Laura Schartman, director of the Office of Institutional Research, said student response is important.

"The information wouldn't have meaning (otherwise)," Schartman said. "You want the responses to be high enough for the results to be credible."

Schartman said the goal is to get enough responses to be able to break the data down by col-

lege and schools, as well as the entire university.

"We want data to be as solid as we can so that we know we have real data," Schartman said. "The survey is done to improve the school."

The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete and can be done either on paper or on the web.

The survey, which comes from the National Survey of Students Engagement, focuses on whether schools are using their resources to help students get

the most out of college.

"Students and parents should be asking college the kinds of questions NSSE asks," said Russ Edgerton of the Pew Forum on Undergraduate Learning in a press release.

"How much do students study and how rigorous are their assignments? How much writing is expected? How often do students interact with their teachers in meaningful ways? Policy-makers and accrediting bodies should be asking these questions too."

Schartman said there is also a faculty version of the College Student Report survey as well. That way, she said, the faculty responses can be compared. She thinks it will be interesting to find out if the same things faculty feel important are the same things students want.

Lauren Jeziorski, freshman, said if she receives the survey she would mail it back.

She said so far her experience at OU has been harder than she expected. She admits she prob-

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## Survivors speak out



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Shirts hang between the Oakland Center and Kresge Library last Wednesday as part of the Clothesline Project sponsored by the Women's Issues Forum. The shirts are made by survivors of sexual abuse.

## Author lectures on 'Nickel and Dimed'

BY DANA LACKEY  
THE OAKLAND POST

Social critic and political essayist Barbara Ehrenreich will visit OU at noon Thursday to give a lecture at Varner Recital Hall.

Ehrenreich was recommended by several faculty members because of her work and research for her book "Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America." Her book is a best seller and is used in many classes and will be discussed at the lecture, according to Paul Franklin, coordinator of Campus Programs.

"Nickel and Dimed" depicts the life of people who try to survive with low paying jobs. To find out how people try to survive, Ehrenreich herself took on a few low paying jobs without telling anyone of her true qualifications.

Born in Butte, Mont., Ehrenreich, who is a biologist with a Ph.D. from Rockefeller University, has written

and co-written 12 books. Some of her books include "The American Health Empire: Power, Profits and Politics," "The Hearts of Men: American Dreams" and "Flight from Commitment." Ehrenreich has also written for dozens of magazines including "Harper's" and "The New York Times Magazine." Her professional writing career began when she became a political activist during the Vietnam War.

Because this is Women's History Month, Demetrius Gary, sophomore and member of the Student Program Board, said he feels that Ehrenreich is a good choice for the lecture.

"She's involved in the women's movement and her name kept coming up in discussion," said Gary. "We (the Student Program Board) pick people that students will enjoy."

According to Franklin, students should attend this lecture and many others to "expand their minds. I want people (students) to challenge them,



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Barbara Ehrenreich and I want speakers to challenge the students," he said.

The lecture is free, but tickets are required. Tickets are available at the Center for Student Activities Office window at 49 Oakland Center. For more information, call the Center for Student Activities Office at (248) 370-2400.

## OUAA Awards recognize service, leadership

BY ELISSA HUMMEL  
THE OAKLAND POST

The OU Alumni Association is accepting nominations for its 2003 awards. It is a chance to acknowledge individuals who have made a positive contribution to the OU community.

"It is an opportunity for the Alumni Association to recognize alumni who have gone above and beyond," said Jamie Simeck, the

assistant director of Alumni Relations.

According to the OUAA website, there are four awards based on leadership, professional achievement, volunteer service and adherence to OU's motto, "seek virtue and knowledge." A fifth award honors non-alumni whose efforts have benefited OU.

The most prestigious award is the Distinguished Alumni Service Award, which the OUAA

website states, "recognizes outstanding alumni leadership and service to the Alumni Association and/or the university."

"I think anyone who serves on the board or in the university ... puts in a lot of time and is focused on what is best for the university and its students," said David Doyle, the 2002 recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Service Award and a member of the OU Board of Trustees.

The 2002 Odyssey Award, which recognizes those who exemplify OU's motto, was awarded posthumously to Heidi Van Arnen. "Heidi was a 1989 grad and CEO and founder of the iCan! Foundation," said Adrienne Bass, director of Alumni Relations. The iCan! website defines itself as "a solutions and services company for people with disabilities and leaders of business."

All nomination applications for the 2003 awards must be received by 5 p.m. April 25 in the Alumni Relations office and are available on the OUAA website at www.oualumni.com.

Submissions should contain as much information about the nominee as possible, including their resume, letters of support and a description of their activities and services.

The OUAA's six committee

members will review the applications and determine recipients.

"The committee members have changed over the years, but a representative from the OUAA Board, a former recipient and members of the alumni association are all represented on the committee," Bass said.

The Ninth Annual Alumni Awards Banquet will be held on Oct. 11.

## Crime Watch

• A student in Van Wagoner Hall was issued a citation for MIP after allegedly admitting to her resident assistant that her stomach was upset from drinking vodka the evening of March 10. The RA contacted OUPD who went with the RA to the woman's dorm room. The woman reportedly told the officer she drank two-thirds of a bottle of Smirnoff

Vodka and told the officer she was 18. The student submitted to a PBT and reportedly registered a .115. She was then issued a citation.

• A man was issued a citation for MIP after being caught with an open container of alcohol at 10:10 p.m. March 13 in South Hamlin Hall. An RA spotted the student carrying the container

alcohol and asked him if he was 21 years old. The student allegedly said no and claimed that he was carrying the container for his friend. An OUPD officer arrived and administered a PBT. The student reportedly blew a PBT of .000.

• An OU faculty member's car was damaged between 4-7 p.m. March 3 in the staff parking lot

southeast of Meadow Brook Hall. She returned to her car to find the right, rear window smashed out. She didn't notice anything missing from her car.

• A painter on the fourth floor of O'Dowd Hall reported to OUPD that he noticed damage that appeared to be caused by someone roller-blading or skateboarding on the floor. The dam-

age occurred between 4 p.m. March 14 at and 6:45 a.m. March 17. The painter saw digs in the walls, supplies and equipment moved around and paint damage to the floor. The painter reportedly thinks someone moved around the equipment to make ramps and jumps.

• A student's Gateway laptop computer was stolen from his

apartment in the University Student Apartments between 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. on March 12. The student told police he left the laptop on his desk and locked the door behind them on the way out. The student returned to find his apartment door "partially locked." The student allegedly checked his roommate's rooms and could not find the computer.

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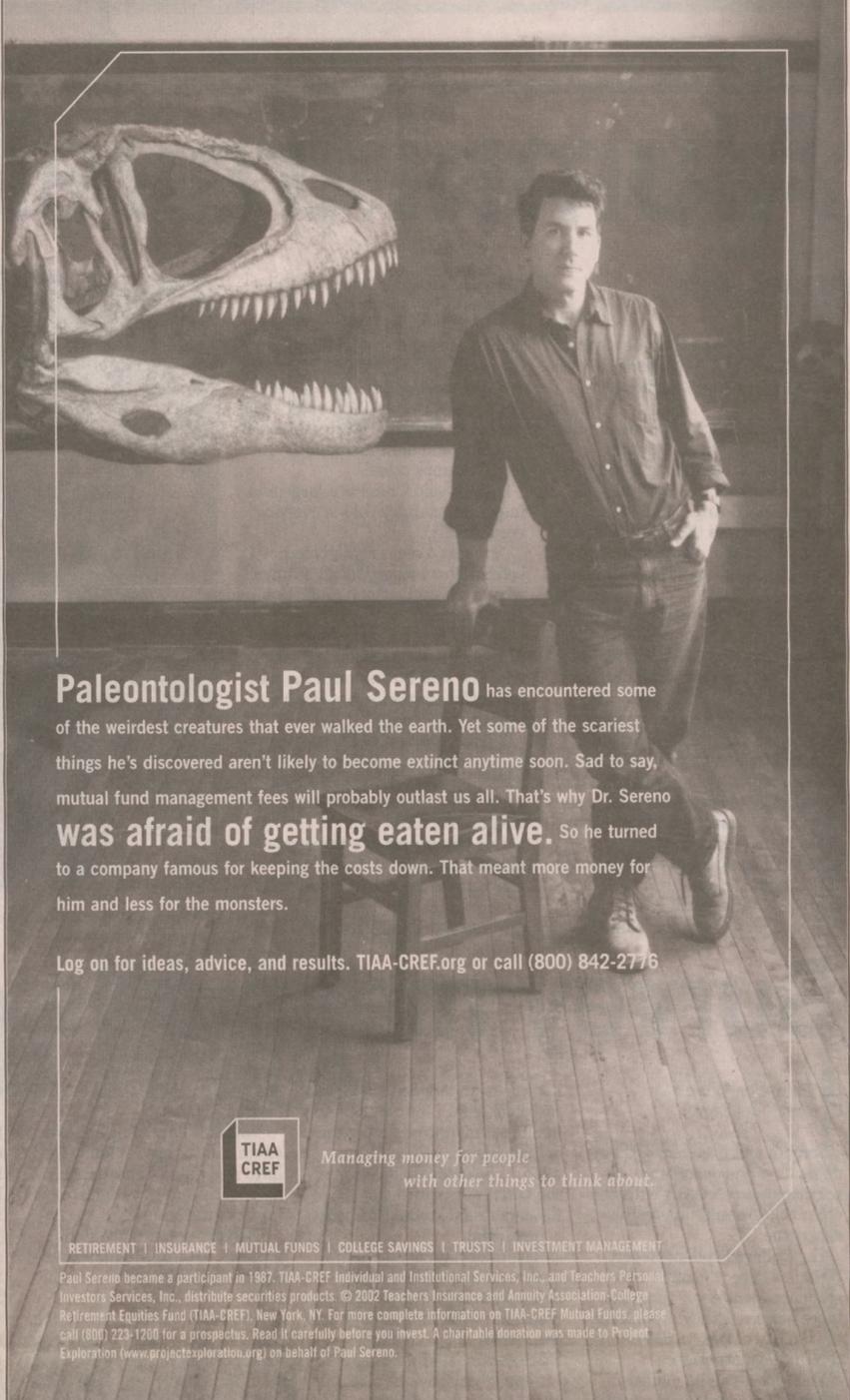
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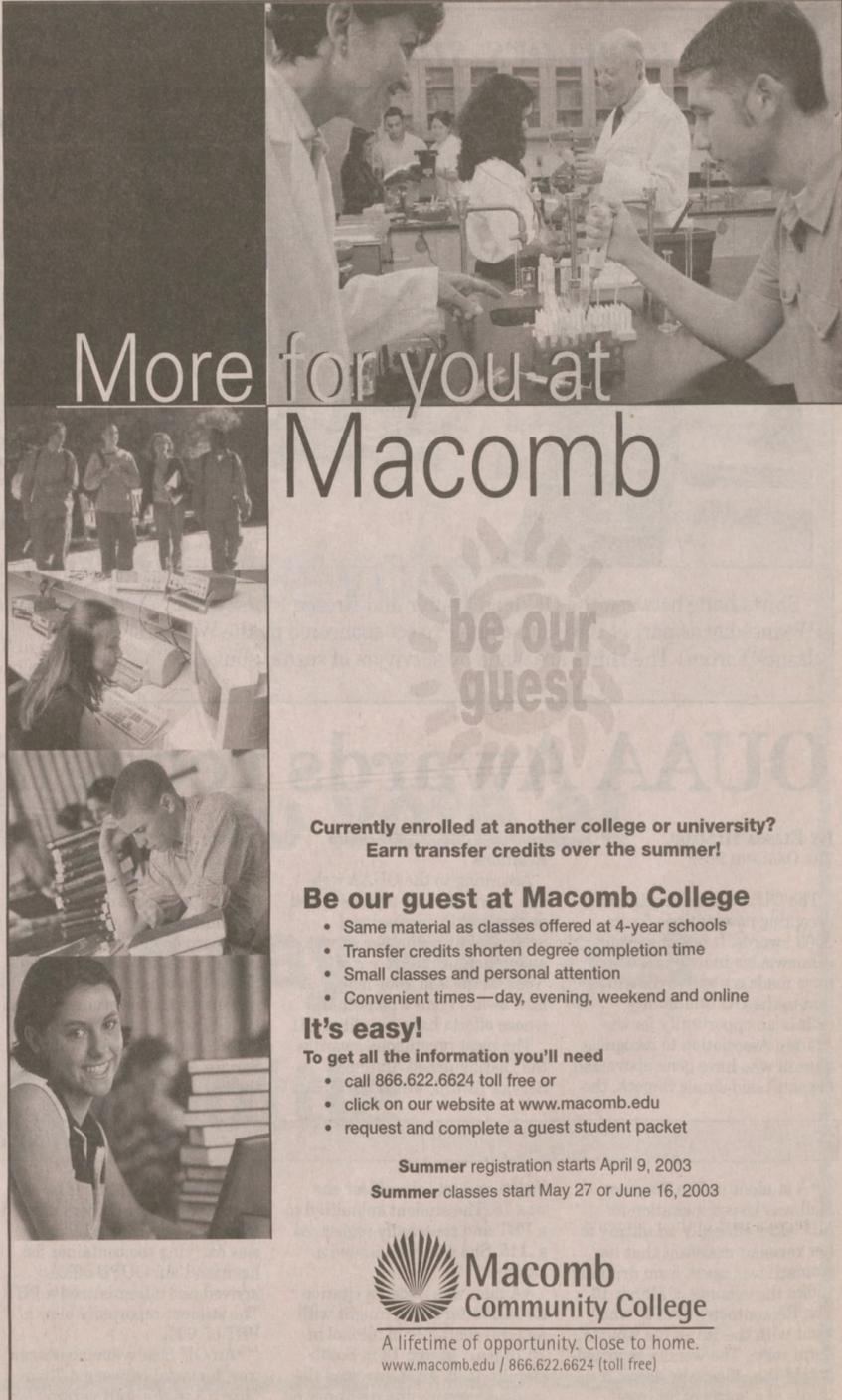
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## Credit cards give rewards

BY ELIZABETH GORECKI  
THE OAKLAND POST

Consumers can receive a lot more than just bills from credit card companies.

Many companies are now offering perks, like free gas or airline miles, just for using certain cards. Some even offer these rewards without an annual fee or a free system that can deposit a spender's rewards into a college saving account.

With so many deals, it may be difficult for customers to know which card is right for them.

Paula Sirois of [www.bankrate.com](http://www.bankrate.com) said it's important for consumers to look into different offers to see what is right for them instead of signing on to a card that looks like a good deal.

"Travelers should look for frequent flier mile rewards while cardholders that are loyal to a certain brand or hotel or car company should look for a card that best benefits them," she said.

Public Relations Director for [www.cardratings.com](http://www.cardratings.com) Curtis Arnold said students have to choose wisely on which

cards to sign up for.

"Cards that offer cash-back rewards are probably the best for students because they usually have no annual fee, and they let you spend the cash anywhere. Cards that offer discounts on new cars probably would not be particularly helpful to college students because many don't intend to buy a new car in the near future," he said.

"The same is true with cards offering frequent flier miles because, again, students don't usually tend to be avid travelers."

Daniella Hiller, junior, has one credit card, but doesn't take advantage of the rewards.

"It's a GM card, and I earn savings on a new GM car," she said. "I guess it will come in handy if I plan to buy a new GM car in the next five years, but I'm not really planning on doing that."

There can be downsides to some cards that offer rewards.

Typically, cards with high rewards also come with high annual percentage rates for finance charges, Visa Finance Analyst Joe Carberry said.

"If the card has a high balance and you're paying a high interest rate, then the reward isn't really worth anything. You end up paying more in interest than you get back in reward cash," he said.

Carberry also said consumers sometimes get caught up in the rewards and spend money irresponsibly in order to get more cash-back, frequent flier miles or savings rebates.

"Many spenders, especially people new to credit cards, will buy in order to get the reward and not realize how much money they are charging, and what the interest or fees will be," he said.

Steve Takas, sophomore, fell victim to this problem.

"I was so interested in the free gas reward that I charged a lot more than I should have just to get a bigger rebate. I ended up paying more on my charge card than I got in free gas anyway," he said.

Annual fees can also haunt students when they apply for credit cards.

The reward programs most likely to come with annual fees are those offering airline miles. Average annual fees for an airline reward cards is around \$50 but

can get as high as \$125, according to [www.bankrate.com](http://www.bankrate.com).

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The New American Express Rewards Green Card is designed for people with no credit. The cardholder is required to pay the bill in full each month and an annual fee of \$65 does apply.

For reviews of different credit cards that may help to decide which one to apply for, visit [www.cardratings.com](http://www.cardratings.com).



• U.S. President George W. Bush is giving Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and his sons until today to leave the country or face military action. Bush held a press conference Monday warning Iraq to brace for war unless Hussein goes into exile, something the Iraqi president said he wouldn't do. Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge raised the U.S. terrorist threat level from the Yellow "elevated" stage to Orange "high" right after Bush's press conference. Bush warned in his press conference if Hussein continued to be in power, the Iraqi regime would supply terrorists with weapons of mass destruction.

• British Prime Minister Tony Blair is trying to get his party to back him and his decision to back the U.S. by using "all means necessary" to overthrow the Iraqi government. Three members of Blair's party have resigned, saying they cannot back a war without international agreement or domestic support. Blair's decision to support the U.S. with military action came after heavy criticism of not considering a second U.N. resolution. Some of Blair's supporters in his Labour Party are backing an amendment saying war has not been established yet so there is no reason not to follow the British prime minister.

• At least 167 people have died from a mysterious illness that has been sweeping the world as of Monday. This pneumonia-type illness is so far untreatable, but World Health Organization officials are trying to find the source of it to find a cure. Outbreaks have occurred in England, France, Israel, Slovenia and Australia. Hong Kong may also have outbreaks of the illness unofficially reporting more than 80 cases. Four death cases have been confirmed by WHO from this outbreak. Most cases appear to be among health workers from Hong Kong, Vietnam and Singapore. China said it possibly had the same outbreak last November, which infected about 350 people.

• A gunman shot and killed three oil workers in Yemen on Tuesday. An American, a Canadian and a Yemeni were all Hunt Oil workers who fell victim to the shooting. After killing the three workers, the shooter turned the gun on himself and committed suicide. Security in Yemen has been a U.S. priority since an attack on the destroyer USS Cole killed 17 sailors in October 2000.

## Habitat donates 2,000th house

BY DANA LACKEY  
THE OAKLAND POST

Michigan's Habitat for Humanity recently dedicated its 2,000th home in Michigan on March 5. The house, which was built in Detroit, was given to Nykeah Taylor, 27, and her 11-year-old daughter, according to [www.habitatdetroit.org](http://www.habitatdetroit.org).

Taylor, a bank teller, also helped build the house. Keynote speaker and Habitat for Humanity International's founder Millard Fuller was present for the celebration.

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit housing ministry that was founded in Americus, Georgia in 1976 by Millard and Linda Fuller. The purpose of this organization is to build houses with the help of volunteers for low-income families.

Homes are not completely donated to families; they are sold to families at an affordable price with no interest.

Since 1976, Habitat for Humanity International has built more than 100,000 houses all over the world.

Habitat has 84 Michigan affiliates.

"More Habitat affiliates are in Michigan than in any other state," said Kim Hale, executive director of Habitat



Nykeah Taylor and her daughter celebrate with Habitat for Humanity Detroit on the organization's 2,000th home construction. Joining in the celebration as the keynote speaker was founder Millard Fuller.

for Humanity of Oakland County. Southeastern Michigan has seven affiliates, more than anywhere else in Michigan, according to Hale.

In Oakland County, the majority of the homes built are in Pontiac and Royal Oak Township.

"We have built 35 houses to date," said Hale. "This year we hope to build 10 houses."

To qualify for a house, a person must fit certain criteria, according to the Habitat website.

First and foremost the person must have a need. The person may not have a place to live, live in a high crime

area or have an outrageous rent costs. The person must also be able to afford the mortgage payments.

"We sell the house for what we pay to build it," said Hale. The mortgage is to be paid off in 20 years, she said.

The person must also have a willingness to partner with Habitat. The individual needs to spend at least 250 hours working to build his or her home and/or other houses, according to Hale.

To find how to volunteer or donate to Habitat for Humanity, visit [www.habitat.org](http://www.habitat.org).

## Granholt offers new government internship

BY KAKELA BAKER  
THE OAKLAND POST

Having the job as governor of Michigan may lead to a pretty busy life, however it is not stopping newly-elected Jennifer Granholt from offering public service internships for college students this summer.

Granholt is offering a Michigan Leadership Development Program for juniors, seniors and graduate students.

The internship will give students hands on work experience in her executive office.

The program begins the first week of June and ends mid-August.

All participants will be expected to work 40 hours per week.

Anne Becker, director of communication and journalism internships, said it would be a good experience for OU students.

"Students will earn four credit hours for this internship," she said. Regular tuition fees for a four credit class will apply.

The internship is not paid, however, it gives students the opportunity to complete special projects while working in the governor's office.

The MLDP internship will look good on students' resumes and also show leadership skills and work ethic in a professional environment, according to Becker.

Mary Dettloff, deputy press secretary for Granholt, said the internship will be benefi-

cial.

"This internship will provide a good opportunity for students to get a taste of a public service career. Learn about state government, work hands on with Jennifer Granholt ... (who is) very dedicated public services," she said. "Students need to get experience in public service, as well as, learn about their government."

According to [www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov), the main position is primarily based in Lansing.

Other limited placements will be available in downtown Detroit, as well as, Washington D.C., for students who may want experience working outside of Michigan.

More information on the program in Detroit and Washington D.C will be available, along with applications, at [www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov).

For questions or to get an application mailed, call (517) 373-3400.

Applicants must send a copy of their resume and a 3-5 page writing sample to the Internship Program Director along with their completed application.

Candidates will be notified as to the status of their application and whether they will be invited to interview after their submissions have been processed.

After completion of all candidates' interviews, invitations to join the MLDP will be offered to selected individuals, according to [www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov).

### Internship applications can be sent to:

The Operations Division  
P.O. Box 30013  
Lansing, MI 48909  
Attn: Internship Program Director



Courtesy of Pro Tech Monitoring, Inc.

Tethers like this automatically track prisoners with an internal GPS system.

## Electronic tethers can find prisoners

BY TRACY ESTES  
THE OAKLAND POST

Legal offenders are now gaining more freedom with the use of satellite technology. Global Positioning System tracking, or GPS, is the newest system used to let inmates serve a part of their sentence outside jail.

There are two types of GPS tracking devices: Active GPS and Passive GPS.

Active GPS is currently used by the Oakland Community Corrections Board. Offenders wear the tethers in a fanny pack around their waist

while still wearing a traditional locked ankle tether. The ankle tether cannot pinpoint the location of offenders like the new fanny packs can.

Steve Bock, the electronic monitoring manager for the Michigan Department of Corrections, said, "The original version of the tether still used is the (ankle) tether, ran by radio signals. These devices only let us see if the offender is in their home or not. GPS transmits their position from a math formula called triangulation and are using military satellites to transmit the offender's move-  
*Please see TETHERS on A9*

## Global goof

• A mountain in Alta, Wyo. has to cover its nipple. The Grand Targhee Ski and Summer Resort was pressured by tourists and uncomfortable skiers to rename its Mary's Nipple mountain to just Mary's. The name is three decades old and is known to locals as the story of a waitress working at the Targhee's Trap Bar who streaked through the mountain and the resort one night. The U.S. Forest Service has never acknowledged the name officially. Even though some residents don't mind the name and say a piece of the town's history will be taken away, the resort is still changing the name. The name "nipple" has been covered with tape in the resort until new signs come in about two weeks.

-Compiled By Adam L. Neal,  
Local News Editor

Information taken from various news sources

## Editorial

### Parks for president

This year's Student Congress will face unique challenges that the current administration did not have to deal with. Within the next few days, the U.S. will likely be in the middle of a widely opposed war. College-aged men and women are in Iraq and the surrounding region ready to fight a war which will leave a permanent mark on our generation. Whether war is over by the start of next academic year, there will likely be support rallies or war protests on campus. Since OU's new student body president and vice president will have to deal with the aftermath, it's imperative that they are seasoned leaders who are connected to the student body.

Another major issue is the state budget cuts Governor Jennifer Granholm just proposed for higher education. For OU, it likely means \$13 million less in the next fiscal year.

Undoubtedly, whoever next year's president is will have to understand how these budget cuts affect students and plan accordingly. Together Jonathan Parks and Kenton Lewis are a more experienced pair. While all candidates demonstrated a good grasp of the budget crunch, Parks and Lewis have a more tangible plan in place with specifics on an overhaul of the Student Activities Funding Board, the organization that allocates money to campus organizations.

While Mike McGuinness firmly rejected the idea of raising the student activity fee, Parks realistically noted that within the next couple of years, due to the 2010 vision of 20,000 students, the activity fee may increase slightly to create a better campus life.

The Parks-Lewis ticket definitely shows a better working knowledge of the dollar sign. Their experience is what's going to make or break this year's presidential election.

Parks and Lewis have four years combined on Student Congress. McGuinness and Cook have none. While experience does not always make a leader great, in challenging times it does make a difference. During their four years they have already built solid relationships with the university administration.

In addition, Parks and Lewis have greater visibility on campus. With Parks' role in ABS and Lewis' role in Sigma Pi, they have proven they are dedicated to campus involvement and already are committed leaders.

A round of applause for McGuinness' and Cook's determination but *The Post's* vote for president and vice president goes to Parks and Lewis.

## Letters to the editor

### Student still concerned about trustees

Dear Editor,

Recently OU's governing board met to discuss many important and critical issues facing the financial well being of the university. Or did they?

The board assembled behind closed doors, violating the law, meeting without proper notice and in seclusion from the public.

While the apathetic student body slept, did the governing board diabolically decide to raise tuition again or perhaps to reward the university president with another bonus for staying. I cannot wait

to vote these board members out of office. Unfortunately I will need to wait to vote out the governor who handpicked and appointed these members. Amazingly, without the direct vote of the electorate, accountability is once again dismissed. Maybe it's time for changing this system or time I go back to sleep with my fellow students.

Chris Kowal  
OU community member

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### FEATURED COLUMNISTS

## Everyone can help in budget crunch



LYNNE SCHAEFER

Vice President of Finance and Administration

We as a university community are facing unprecedented reductions in state support, not only for this year, but likely for years to come. These cuts are coming even in the face of a growing student population and unavoidable cost increases for OU. We must look at all of our options to make ends meet. My colleagues and I in the university administration have been working hard to cut costs in all areas of operations by becoming more efficient, reengineering our processes and eliminating low priority program areas.

We will continue these efforts with even greater vigor in the coming years. We all agree that we cannot rely solely on tuition and fees to cover our costs during these difficult economic times. Here are some examples of ways we have reduced our spending.

Where it made sense, we have outsourced services to private companies that through specialization can give us the same service at a lower cost. Examples are the bookstore, campus food service, some custodial services and others. We have streamlined and reorganized a number of administrative areas across campus, to both improve services to students and to reduce operating costs, from the new Office of Student Financial Services that combined financial aid and student billing services in a single location, to reorganizations in Purchasing,

Facilities, Student Affairs and other areas, resulting in the elimination of numerous positions.

Faculty and staff have agreed to higher co-pays for prescription drugs, office visits and emergency room visits to avoid big increases in health care costs.

We have aggressively managed our utility costs. We began last year to take advantage of the state's deregulated electricity market by contracting with an alternative energy supplier. We have negotiated favorable long-term natural gas contracts. We have implemented numerous energy conservation measures, including installation of more energy efficient building mechanical systems, a solar power demonstration project, an automated energy management system and more. These measures have resulted in hundreds of

thousands in annual savings for the university.

I have been asked, "What can students do to help?" There are many big and small ways to help the university to cut costs without reducing services. Taking advantage of web resources and services, and energy conservation are two great avenues. As the university puts more services and communications on the web, the reduction in printing and postage costs can be huge. Remembering to turn off lights, power down computers, and other energy savings measures can also have an impact. Working together, we can make sure the university runs as efficiently as possible, and can continue to provide a quality academic experience for our students.

## Using and abusing the language



RANDY DUDEK

Associate Editor

Impending war with Iraq, a higher education fiscal crisis and spring weather - all this, and yet all I want to write about are misuses of the English language.

A part of my job at *The Oakland Post* is copy editing, so its going to make my life more comfortable if everybody just adopts everything I say. Or perhaps not.

The biggest abomination in recent history, which has been bugging me ever since that stupid song came out, is the use of the term "irony." And isn't it ironic that Alanis Morissette had a giant hit that was based around the use of one literary device, yet she got it wrong every time. Sure, rain on your wedding day sucks, but that's coincidence, not irony. Also not ironic is having 10,000 spoons when all you need is a knife. All that means is that your apartment is a dump, and somebody needs to wash the dishes.

If a truck kills a diabetic on the way to buy insulin, it is an accident. If he is killed by a truck carrying sugar, it is a

coincidence, though a very poetic one. Now if our poor friend is hit by a truck carrying insulin, NOW we have irony.

Here's a quick one I know I'll never win on. Collapsing a building with explosives is not an implosion; it's an explosion. The dynamite explodes, and the building collapses. An implosion is a specific scientific phenomenon. Look it up.

Bad news for all of the vegetarians out there. It turns out that those carrots, lettuce and broccoli you were planning on eating for lunch today, aren't healthy.

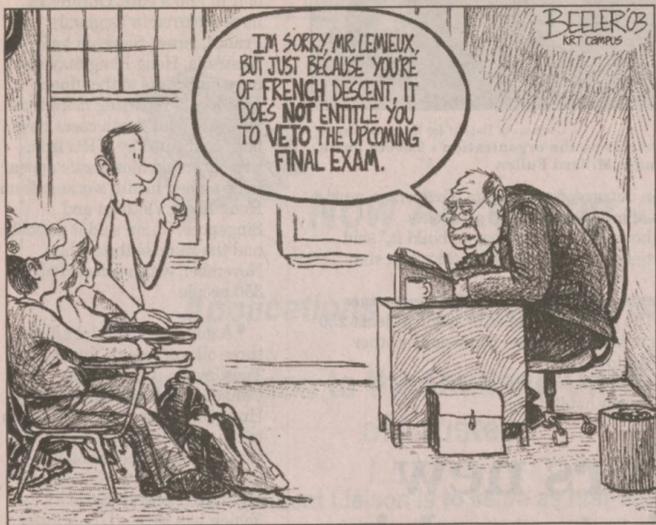
In fact, unless you're carrying a garden around with you, they're dead. They may be "healthful" in their current

state, but they were a lot more "healthy" when they were in the ground.

Lastly, an acronym is not any sets of initials. The word acronym should only be used when referencing those initials which get pronounced as words. For example, SADD, DARE and NATO are acronyms. The FBI, CIA and IRS are not. They are just jerks.

Okay kids. Enough silliness for one sitting.

One last note on irony. Rain during a wedding is actually a sign of good luck for the marriage. Maybe Alanis knew what she was doing the whole time. Naaah.



## Point / Counterpoint

### Should equal rights also extend to the draft?

#### Yes

RANDY DUDEK  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Three weeks ago, in this very space, I claimed that the U.S. should fire up the military draft once the war with Iraq begins, if only to make the war feel "real" to Americans, and not like a video game that can be shut off whenever they tire of it.

This week, I've drawn the assignment of convincing everybody that women should also be included in any draft plans, a position that should win me more adoring fans among the student body.

The 1990 Gulf War was the largest deployment of women troops in American history, with women making up a reported seven percent of the active forces and 17 percent of the reserves called into duty.

And, as women's rights activists have been claiming for centuries, the female soldiers were every bit as capable as their male counterparts.

In the early stages of the 21st Century, most Americans agree that men and women have, and should have, equal rights.

In 1981, the last time that the Supreme Court debated if women should be required to register with Selective Service, women doing work that would have paid men \$18,000 per year only made \$10,000 per year.

It is also commonly accepted in this country that with rights come responsibilities.

If the governing powers decide that it would be in the best interests of our nation to reinstate the draft to better serve our foreign interests and protect our homeland security, than it only makes sense that the rules must apply to women in the exact same ways that they apply to men.

Yes, provisions would need to be made for mothers of young kids, but these are really the same measures that should be in effect for the fathers of these same children.

I understand the apprehension that my stance is probably causing amongst many of you, but that's actually my point entirely.

If we really need to be at war, then it needs to be everybody's war. If we aren't going to be truly committed to the fight, then we need to take a closer look at why it is we are looking for war in the first place.

#### No

LAURA ANGUS  
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

In a time when women are fighting for equality with men, many think it's appropriate for women to fight alongside men if the draft were reinstated.

I do not think drafting women is a realistic option. There are too many complications - it would be an impossible situation.

The first issue I have with women being drafted is that they need to be in the U.S. to deliver and raise the next generation. I know men are needed for this, but in reality, a man can father hundreds of children in a year and a woman can only produce about one child in a year. If the U.S. goes to war, and men and women are drafted, there will be a huge population depletion.

Also, a large number of women overseas in a war would cause far too many complications for the military. Women can get pregnant and have other issues the military would deal with quite rarely with a majority of men.

Also, according to the U.S. Selective

Service website, as things stand today marriage and parenthood do not affect draft ability. I wonder what the army would do about married couples with children - they cannot draft mom and dad, so how can they deal with this, without being sexist?

The military would need to address all these considerations. If the U.S. went to war today, and reinstated the draft, these issues would take months to deal with.

And, this issue is something that has been addressed by the government quite recently.

In 1981, the Supreme Court said registering only men for the draft didn't violate the constitution.

In 1994, then President Bill Clinton requested the Department of Defense review the issue. The Department found the men enlisted in the last draft supplied adequate numbers of troops.

Also, since women are not allowed in front line combat positions, it found excluding women from the draft is justifiable.

Women should not be drafted until a time comes when the armed forces need more troops, and the men of the country are not enough to fight.

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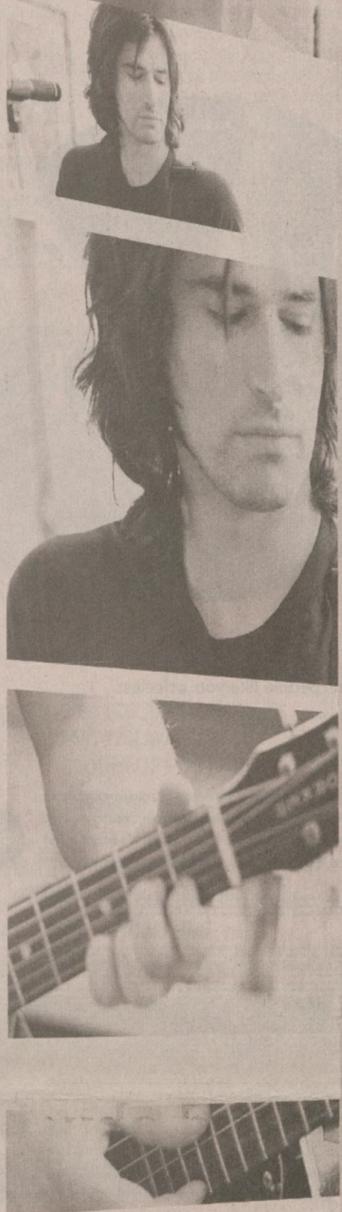
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# SENATE

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Saturday and Sunday study period for students between the end of classes and finals.

The complete calendar draft is available on the OU Senate website at [www.oakland.edu/senate/draftcalendar31303.doc](http://www.oakland.edu/senate/draftcalendar31303.doc).

The Senate also passed a motion to add mid-semester progress reports to 100 and 200-level courses at OU.

Charles Clark, director of the Academic Skills Center, made a presentation on why this was beneficial to students, as well as the university as a whole.

According to Clark, a mid-semester progress report in these classes would give students an idea where they actually stand in a class prior to the last date for dropping. Clark said this would hopefully help more stu-

dents to seek help in time or leave a class if they can't pass it.

Clark said this should aid the university's retention of first-year students by helping them to avoid failing out of their classes. This would mean more money for the university through the tuition of students it retains.

He also pointed out that student athletes already have this system but it's handled on paper.

Under the system, faculty would enter a grade of satisfactory or unsatisfactory for students in their classes on the Banner system. The student could then check his or her performance from any computer with Internet access.

The Senate wants to see these reports emailed to students.

Some professors, however, didn't support the new idea. Fay Hansen, associate professor of Biological Sciences, said, "This is college, not high school," she said, likening the new system to "spoon-feeding."

A launch date for the program has not been set.

Susan Goepp, vice president of University Relations, presented OU's capital campaign to the Senate earlier in the meeting.

The campaign is attempting to raise more money for OU through external donors and alumni.

"Currently, we have about 4,000 donors annually," she said. "We want to double that."

The campaign is still in the planning period according to Goepp. She said the campaign is designed to

increase the OU endowment and "address targeted facility needs."

Later in the meeting, Virinder Moudgil, interim vice president for Academic Affairs and provost, left at the request of the Steering Committee so that there could be discussion on the position of provost.

Moudgil was appointed interim provost two years ago and will begin his third term this fall.

Paul Graves, associate professor of Philosophy, took over for Moudgil the remainder of the meeting and expressed concern over how long an interim appointment should last. The Senate briefly discussed its future options and decided to look for faculty input before making any recommendation to OU President Gary Russi.

# SURVEY

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ably doesn't have as much interaction with her professors as her classmates do, but she has had as much contact as she expected to.

The survey is supported by a grant from the Pew Charitable Trusts, The Pew Forum on Undergraduate Learning and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

Schartman said this is a relatively new survey and the second time OU has administered it.

# TIBET

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ent aspects of China and Tibet. Next year, the focus will be brought on the Silk Road through China, she said.

According to Stamps, being in Tibet is physically difficult. The evenings are cold, and during the day the sun is harsh. The altitude in Lhasa, the country's capital, reaches approximately 12,000 feet and it is common for visitors to experience altitude sickness with headaches and nausea. Despite all this, "the trip is very rewarding," Stamps said.

This trip is open to the Alumni Association members or the Friends of the Alumni Association members. People can become members by paying a \$50 fee required for a year's membership.

The trip costs \$3,495 and includes everything from round-trip airfare to all meals. Only personal expenses such as passports, drinks or porter tips are not included. For further information, contact Adrienne Bass at (248) 370-3700, ext. 1687.

# MBHEI

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wishes there was something that could be done to keep it open.

"I really enjoyed it here. It's really safe," Sullivan said. "Even when it was crowded, it always had good facilities."

The pavilion side of the building, Olson said, will be used for event rentals.

The historic building was formally an old stable and riding arena when Alfred and Matilda Wilson owned the estate.

— Assistant News Editor Derrick Sobodash contributed to this story.

# OUSC

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spoke about what their administrators would look like in light of the problem that there are only nine legislators on this year's ballot but 25 legislator positions available.

"I have the gift of gab. I have been out there actively trying to get students involved in leadership positions," he said. "I'm only as good as my E (Executive) Board. I am a face to face person, and I would ask my E Board to be as interactive as possible."

McGuinness said that there is a perception that OUSC is an inside organization.

"Sarah and I want to foster something different. We would not be a top-down organization. Rather, we would be inclusive. We can achieve the best when everyone takes part."

Both Parks, McGuinness and

their running mates addressed students in the audience who voiced concerns.

The issues of diversity and affirmative action came up in discussion.

Shantá Irving, senior, asked about the candidates' opinions on affirmative action in light of the upcoming action in light of the Michigan Supreme Court case. Parks said he is participating in the civil rights march in Washington D.C. in support of affirmative action, and Cook said he also supports U-M's admission policy.

In light of the apparent Michigan Open Meetings Act violation made by the Board of Trustees, legislator Jeremy Kopp, junior, questioned how the candidates would interact with the BOT.

McGuinness said he would

strive to engage in respectful discussion with them. Lewis said he would try to increase the BOT student liaisons' influence.

During the candidates' opportunity to challenge each other, Parks asked about McGuinness' lack of experience with OUSC.

McGuinness said, "My experience is the same as an overwhelming majority of students."

In response, Parks said, "In order to be a great leader, you need to be a great follower."

Parks said he has held several leadership roles within OUSC and ABS.

Elections are this upcoming Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Results are expected by the end of next week.

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ment." The GPS system was developed by Pro-Tech Monitoring of Tampa, Fla.

Bock said the system consists of a locking ankle bracelet that connects wirelessly to the device worn in the pack. The device incorporates a GPS receiver and a cellular phone. The receiver takes in the signal and sends it to the U.S. defense department's network of satellites in space, which mathematically detect the offender's location.

The cellular phone transmits locations every minute to monitoring stations, where parole offi-

cers track the offenders' movements on the computer screen.

Tethers are used by Oakland County and the MDOC, along with 26 other states in the U.S., to allow parolees or probationers waiting to remain out of jail but are still under supervision.

The use of tethers can lower taxes. Bock said the current price of the RF tether is about \$10.50 per day for offenders, and the Active and Passive systems cost approximately \$10-11 per day.

"We pay about \$5 per day plus the cost of staff for the equipment. This is much less than the cost to keep people in jail," said

Bock. Some OU students questioned the idea of having offenders on the streets and out of jail.

Jenna Kellie, senior, said, "Tax dollars are not that big of a deal compared to the principle of putting inmates on the streets."

Russ Marlan, spokesman for MDOC, said, "Citizens are in favor of offenders in the system. If there is a problem that the offender is out of the allowed area, instantly our monitoring center will contact their home."

# CENTER FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES

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## "OUR Bodies, OURselves"

**Wednesday, March 26**  
Women's Studies Celebration  
Noon-2:00 p.m. -- Lake Superior Room B, OC  
Sponsored by Women's Studies

**Friday, March 28**  
"Collaborative Knowledge Networks" by Dr. Peter A. Gloor, Center for Coordination Science, MIT Sloan School of Management, and Center for Digital Strategies, Tuck Business School, Dartmouth College  
11:00 a.m.-Noon -- 235 Elliott Hall  
Sponsored by Applied Technology in Business, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, School of Engineering and Computer Science, Women in Engineering & Women's Studies

And now for something completely fun and free!!!

**Happy Crafts and Free Billiards**  
Wednesday, March 19  
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**The 20th Annual OU Photography Contest**  
Entry forms and rules are available at the CSA Office, 49 OC for the contest. Photos will be displayed April 14-16 in the Fireside Lounge, OC. There are two categories: 1) Black and White, and 2) Color. First and second place prizes will be awarded in each category: 1st Place - \$150; 2nd Place - \$100. The entry deadline will be April 11.

**AT THE CSA SERVICE WINDOW**

✓ **Reservations for:**  
CSA has arranged for discount tickets to be made available for the following shows and events for the entire OU Community.

- Don Giovanni (April 30)
- Jeffrey Dance Company (May 8)
- Beauty and the Beast (May 15 & 18)
- Die Fledermaus (May 16 & 21)
- Dead Man Walking (June 11 & 13)

✓ **Tickets for:**

- The Vagina Monologues (April 11-13)

✓ **Sign-up for:**

- SPB Trip to Toronto (March 20-23)
- Affirmative Action March (March 31-April 1)

**Join the Current Events Discussion**  
**Monday, March 24**  
Noon in the Fireside Lounge, OC

Join panelists, Rochelle Black, Don Maxwell and Peter Trumbore to discuss recent and current events including: The current situation with Iraq and the recent diplomatic efforts, Elizabeth Smart, partial birth abortion legislation and any and all issues and events of interest to you.

**OU Spring Blood Drive**  
April 7-9, 2003  
Make an Appointment by calling: (248) 370-2400 or going to the CSA Webpage and clicking on Spring Blood Drive.

The Student Life Lecture Board Presents:

**Barbara Ehrenreich**  
Thursday, March 20, 2003, Noon in Varner Recital Hall, Varner Hall

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**Thursday -Friday, March 27-28, 2003**

**8:00 am - 5:00 pm**

**University Housing Office**

**448 Hamlin Hall**

**(248) 370-3570**

**Any student submitting a contract during the early sign-up period is not required to pay the \$100 down payment.**

*for more info contact the Housing Office*

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*housing@oakland.edu*

## You've got mail

By SANDARELLA BATRES  
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

Students' creative sides come out in their email address. A student opens up an email account using any one of the number of Internet server providers. A screen name must be selected. Some students use a nickname given to them from family or friends while others keep it simple.

When Ariel Gluckson, freshman, was around seven or eight years old, he came up with the name, "ski81."

He said he wanted an address that dealt with his favorite hobby, skiing, and the year he was born, but ski84 was already being used.

Leiah Kelley, sophomore, uses a compliment she received from a guy.

"A guy told me I have eyes like a doe (female deer)," said Kelley.

Her screen name is "doezeyes."

Some people use a nickname given by a loved one. "Missypoohunderscore324" is junior Sheila Miller's email address. It's a name her boyfriend calls her.

"324 is for the first day we started going out," said Miller.

Shaquanda Tyus, junior, said her boyfriend calls her chocolate bunny. So she used part of that to come up with, "Kocobunie."

Others students use a nickname that was given to them in high school. "Eash013," is a nickname and a sports number, said Leesa Lepore, junior.

Melissa Hesson, sophomore, uses her high school nickname, favorite number and graduation year to come up with "melley401."

Ana Hnatow, freshman, added her high school locker combination to her nickname and is now "Banana2028."

Other students just want to keep it simple and recognizable.

Shanta Irving, senior, doesn't want to disguise who she is when forwarding messages. She uses her full name as an address. Laughing, Irving said, "(it's) because I'm too wonderful."

Brett Athey, junior, received an OU email account earlier this year.

"I want people to know who's sending them emails," said Athey.

So he uses the initials of his name, "baathey," as his personal address.

Another student uses a hip-hop phrase he hears and uses often, "forealdae," which means, "are you serious?"

"It's simple," said Palmer Reed, senior.

Derrick Sneideraitis, junior, said he wanted a screen name that referred to his fondness for 40 ounces of beer, but the name was taken. Instead he uses "Floyd59."

"Floyd, because I used to listen to Pink Floyd a lot," said Sneideraitis.

Fifty-nine was his lacrosse number in high school.

One student has carried a nickname all through elementary school, junior high and high school, and made it her permanent email address.

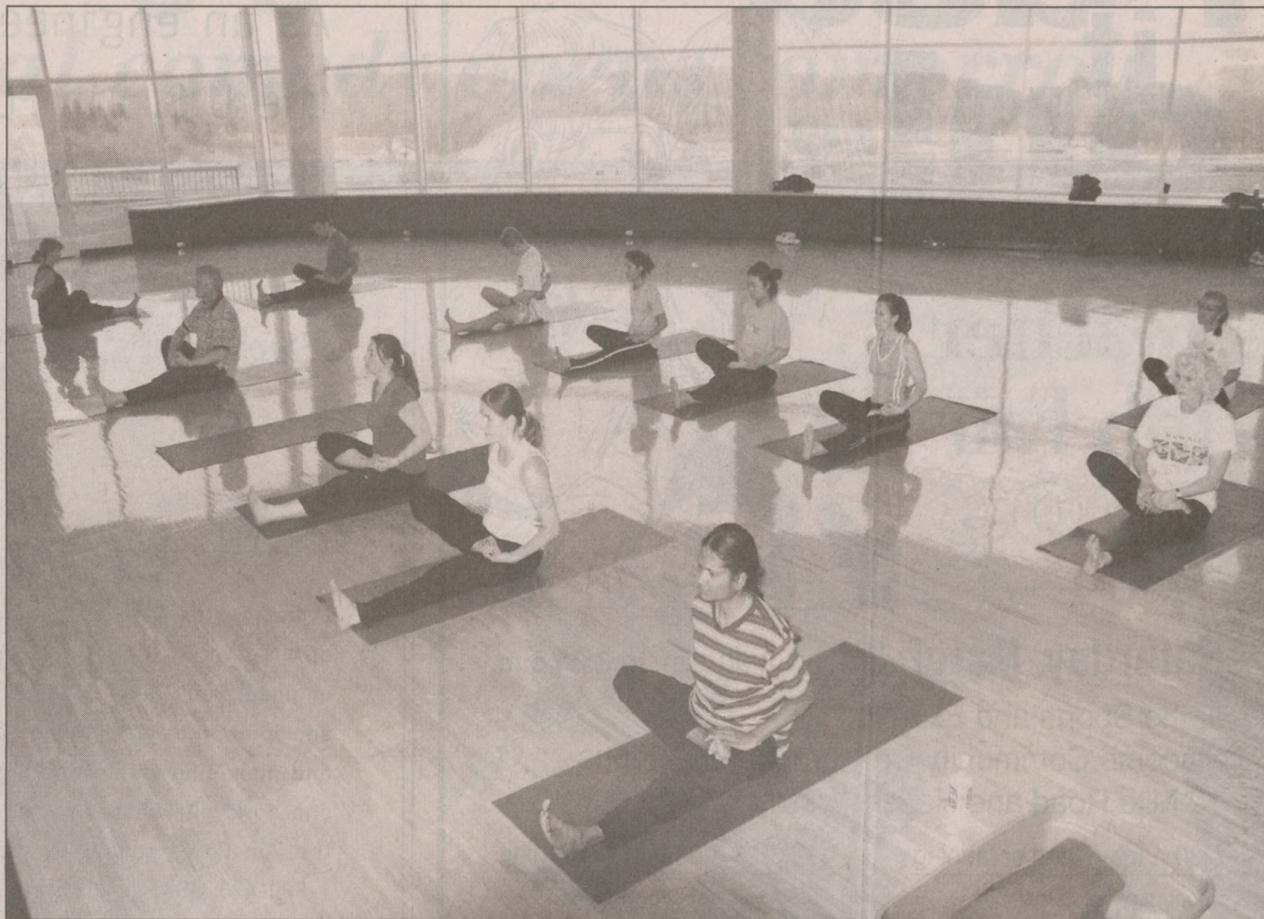
"Gabby1215 because I talk a lot," said Lisa Kabot, junior.

Another student uses two email accounts.

"One is for professional purposes and the other for play," said Kelley McChester, senior. "SexyK111" refers to a trait he says he carries and his dorm number.

"Kelleyrmcc" is used only for professional purposes, said Kelley.

When job hunting, students may want to use professional screen names.



Students work out during the Power Yoga class offered Monday nights at the Rec Center. The class focuses on Ashtanga, a more demanding yoga routine compared to the basic yoga classes. It serves as a great cardio vascular and all-around workout.

Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

## Stretching out OU

### Students practice the ancient exercise art of yoga

By KRISTIE FAVRO  
THE OAKLAND POST

Now that spring break is over, there's only one more long stretch until the summer. But for many students, this is the most difficult part of the year.

When the stress of it all seems too much, don't worry; salvation rests right around the corner. The answer: Yoga at the Rec Center.

According to Mila Padgett, Assistant Director of Programs at the Rec Center, over the past three years yoga has seen increased interest, with enrollment reaching about 50 students.

"It's been very popular. It's the one class where there's a true mix of male and female students," said Padgett.

Yoga, an exercise originating from the word of the ancient Sanskrit language, has many meanings.

Of these, two meanings are important to the yogic tradition: union and discipline.

Yoga's purpose is to achieve self-realization through personal disci-

pline.

It is a combination of Hinduism, Buddhism and Jainism, a religion native to India.

Today, westerners practice yoga in a different way from the original, more religious sense it started from.

People often practice the more popular forms in which postures and meditation are used to increase flexibility and all-around health.

Yoga postures are effective for maintaining and even restoring one's physical health, but the true power of yoga lies in its ability as a path to lasting happiness and inner freedom.

Yoga's main purpose is to help followers in realizing true happiness, freedom or enlightenment. However, yoga has many other benefits, such as physical health, mental harmony and emotional balance.

Yoga first and most importantly seeks to unlock full human potential.

People often stereotype yoga as something "tree huggers" and vegetarians do. This isn't true at all. People of all ages, sex, race and religion practice it.

There are no age limits for yoga,

and it has been found beneficial for those up into their eighties, as well as for those recovering from injuries, those looking to lose weight, those who suffer from chronic illnesses, pregnant women and even children.

There are many types of yoga practiced today.

The type that is practiced at OU is Ashtanga. This is a more demanding yoga routine compared to the basics.

Although it is a beginner class, it serves as a great cardio vascular and all-around workout.

There are many other forms of yoga ranging from the very mellow-paced version of Hatha to the intense form of Bikram, where practitioners are in a room of more than 100 degrees Fahrenheit and are involved in tense postures performed in a specific order.

The heat is representative of the heat in India, where the form originated.

According to Heather Fine, class instructor and a practitioner of yoga for three years, the class is good for people's minds and body.

"Yoga is beneficial in many ways,"

said Fine. "It teaches focus, good stress reduction, and it helps people become more present. They learn to stop worrying about the past and the future and focus on the now."

Fine also says that it's great for strength training.

Ana Ferreira, junior, decided to take the class because she has done yoga before and really enjoys it.

"I've taken yoga classes before," said Ferreira. "I decided I wanted to continue my practices so I signed up."

The yoga classes cost \$15 for registration, but the money is refundable if students miss no more than one class.

For non-students, the registration is non-refundable.

To find out more contact Mila Padgett at (248) 370-4190 or stop by her office next to Studio 897 on the first floor of the Rec Center.

## Students hip to new slang

By SANDARELLA BATRES  
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

Finally, a book that describes what "bling-bling" means is in stores.

Alonzo Westbrook, a journalist and former affiliate reporter for ABC and CBS, has put together "Hip-Hoptionary: the dictionary of hip-hop terminology."

Hip-Hoptionary translates dozens of phrases, including "bling-bling," "baller," "bezzled out" and about 38 phrases for marijuana.

There are a few definitions for the meaning of hip-hop.

One definition is that it's a culture that thrives on creativity and nostalgia.

The sounds of hip-hop were born in New York, but over the past 20 years, they have been spread throughout the world, according to Hip-Hoptionary.

The book is less than a year old. The world of hip-hop grows every day. New music artists emerge and spit out their verses of language to

absorb and translate.

OU students have come up with brand new phrases that didn't make it to the book.

The words "breezy" and "flass" mean to show off with expensive jewelry and diamonds, said Tanel Putrus, junior.

A "wangster" refers to someone who is impersonating a gangster, said Putrus.

Brian Zaid, senior, recently visited Houston, Texas and said a word he heard a lot of there that isn't used in Michigan is "clean" meaning, "that's cool."

"In New York, a shorty is a hot chick," said Zaid.

OU students also said "that's game" means that's cool, and a "soldier" refers to a tough person.

These phrases exist because of hip-hop rappers, actors and deejays. Many words are picked up from rap songs, like "Anything by Cash Money," said Putrus.

Renee Hanish, sophomore, said she picks the words up from music artists, like Jay Z, Nelly,

Trina, Lil Kim and Jennifer Lopez.

Zaid said some people use these phrases because it's cool, and it sounds funny.

"It makes you look smooth and hip with the latest trends of the era," he said.

Some phrases have disappeared, such as "That's fresh" for that's cool.

"What's the 411," has been shortened to "What up."

"No diggity" is now "no doubt."

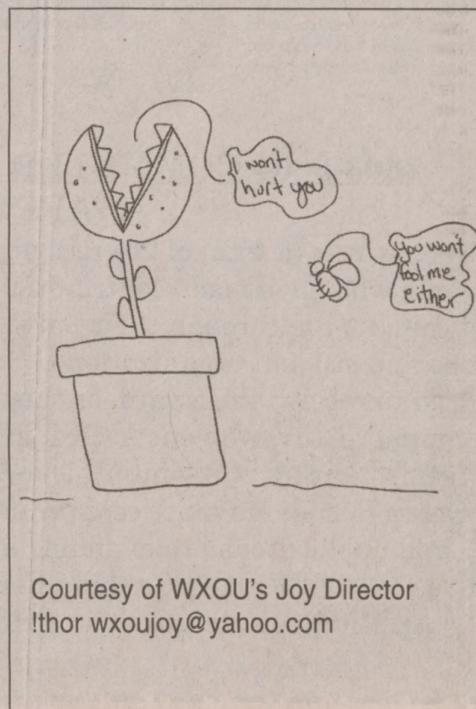
A few more freshly rising phrases include "don't get clocked," which means to be careful of what one says or does or they will get hit, said Lenard Allus, freshman.

"My boo" means my girlfriend or boyfriend, said Allus.

Bookstores are selling a lot of copies of the book.

"It's a popular little book," said an employee at Barnes and Nobles in Troy.

Hip-Hoptionary is not available at the OU bookstore.



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**Deadline is Friday, March 28, 2003.**

### 2003-2004 COMMUTER INVOLVEMENT AWARDS

The awards (a total of 20) recognize those commuting students who have made contributions to improve the quality of campus life through their participation in campus activities and student organizations. Students may be nominated to receive the award, or they may apply for it. The Commuter Involvement Award, in the amount of \$250 each semester (fall and winter), is awarded for one academic year. Recipients must reapply each year. Qualifications and applications are available in the Dean of Students Office, 144 Oakland Center, 370-3352.

**Application deadline is Friday, March 28, 2003.**



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# 'Anything goes' in Varner

## Musical comedy opens tomorrow

By Laura Angus  
Campus Life Editor

OU students are getting on board for the opening of the classic musical "Anything Goes" with songs by Cole Porter.

The play will debut at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Varner Studio Theatre.

"It's very silly," said Associate Professor of Theatre and Director Michael Gillespie. "It's a great way to bring in the spring."

Jason Beaubien, junior, plays Lord Evelyn Oakleigh, a wealthy Englishman learning American ways.

"It's a fun show with a happy ending," said Beaubien.

"Anything Goes" is set on an ocean liner on course to New York City from England.

"It's a wacky story about a bunch of crazy mismatched couples," said Gillespie.

The cast goes through a lot of changes, switching couples and craziness. Gillespie said that the show is funny. Even though everyone hears the jokes on a regular basis during rehearsal, he said they still laugh.

"I just sit there laughing," he said. Gillespie said the show features several classic love songs like "I Get a Kick Out of You," "Easy to Get" and "All Through the Night."

"There are some beautiful love songs," said Gillespie. "Lots of couples, lots of love, lots of tunes."

There are also full-cast dance songs like "Blow, Gabriel, Blow" and "Anything Goes."

"I couldn't imagine anyone that wouldn't love (the show)," he said.

Gillespie said with 25 cast members and dozens of backstage crewmembers, the show is very student oriented.

"It's mostly a student venture," he said. "They should go to support students and support their friends."

There were also close to 100 costumes made, he said.

The cast is enthusiastic about its upcoming performances.

"It's a really good opportunity to see a lot of talent," said Christina Gurne, sophomore. "The cast gets along really well, and there's a lot of energy."

Gurne plays Hope, a debutante and



"Anything Goes," which stars Sarah Hilarides, Andrea Taormina, Joseph Baldiga and Catherine Lutz, opens at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Varner Studio Theatre.

one of the lead characters. "I think (students should come to see the show) just to get an idea of what our music program is like," she said. Brian Meldrum, freshman, plays Billy Crocker, another lead in the show. Crocker is in love with Hope, the fiancée of his boss. He stows away on the ship to try to steal Hope from Whitney.

"It's a crazy show," said Meldrum. Renee Turner, freshman, said she thinks people should come to the show because live theatre is always exciting. She said she thinks the audience will be surprised by the arrangement of the couples at the end of the play. "You never think this person will end up with that person," she said. Also, the show has a good cast, is writ-

ten strongly and has beautiful dance sequences, said Harry Carlson, a non-traditional student. Carlson plays Billy Crocker's boss Eli Whitney. Performances for "Anything Goes" will be at 8 p.m. on March 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 and 29 at 2 p.m. on March 23 and 30 and at 10 a.m. on March 25 and 26. The March 29 performance will be

interpreted for the deaf. Tickets are \$6 for OU students and \$12 for non-students. The 10 a.m. matinees are \$5 for all seats. Tickets are available at the Varner Box Office at (248) 370-3013, all Ticketmaster outlets at (248) 645-6666, online at www.ticketmaster.com or can be purchased at the door one hour before the show.

# Eating disorders addressed

By KAKELA BAKER  
THE OAKLAND POST

Eating disorders are the most frequent problems that Graham Counseling Center staff deals with among women on campus, said Pam Warner, a Graham Counseling Center psychologist. Today at noon, the Graham Counseling Center is offering a National Eating Disorder Screening in the Oakland Room of the Oakland Center. This screening is a part of "Learn to Love Yourself Just the Way You Are."

According to National Eating Disorders Association (NEDA), eating disorders are extreme expressions of a range of weight and food issues experienced by both men and women.

The three most commonly seen are anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa and binge eating disorders. All are serious emotional and physical problems that can have life threatening conse-

quences according to a pamphlet by NEDA.

The pamphlet said an anorexic is self-starved and has excessive weight loss. Bulimia victims force themselves to vomit after binge eating.

Binge eating is characterized by episodes of bingeing but without purging, fasting or excessive exercise. Body weight may vary from normal to mild, moderate or severely obese.

Eating disorders are caused by a combination of problems including psychological, interpersonal, genetic and social conditions, said NEDA.

Some feelings of worthlessness, loneliness, depression, anxiety as well as troubled family and personal relationship problems may trigger these disorders, said senior Jackie Hoagland, an eating disorder survivor.

Hoagland suffered from eating disorders for about four years before admitting herself to a clin-

ic for psychiatric help. "A multiple of problems triggered off my eating disorder per-

sonal emotional family problems to relationship problems," said Hoagland. When Hoagland graduated from Rochester Adams High School in 1998, she went to Indiana University. Shortly after the school year started, she was raped at a fraternity party by a guy she did not know.

She said she tried repressing this problem by ignoring it, not realizing that she was only hurt-

ing herself. She started off with heavy exercising then counting of calories, and before she knew it, she was a living skeleton.

Standing at 5 feet and 6 inches tall she weighed 88 pounds. She still believed she was fat ignoring the fact that she had an eating disorder.

In spite of this, she was still able to keep up on her grades, and her overall G.P.A was 3.75.

She said she finally realized what she was doing to herself after she skipped out on her grandmother's funeral in order to

workout. After cutting her wrists, losing track of days at a time and binge drinking, she hit rock bottom.

She checked herself into a treatment center in Florida. Practicing yoga and other tasks in the center helped Jackie reclaim her life.

Now at OU, she is a Psychology and Sociology major with a minor in Women's Studies. Remarkably Hoagland recovered.

"The most important thing to do in order to gain your life back is learn how to deal with stress," she said. "Get rid of the horrible three, shame, secretes and control. When you bring awareness to surface it is easier to get rid of these three major problems."

Hoagland stressed that students who have eating disorders get help. "If you don't take care of your body, where will you live?" she said. "There is help here for students with eating disorders, so please

do not be ashamed to come in get help," said Warner.

According to www.anred.com/stats.html, about one out of every 100 young women between the ages 10-20 in the U.S. have anorexia nervosa. The victims are starving themselves, sometimes to death.

Four out of every 100 women have bulimia nervosa, said the website. Mainly college-aged women have bulimia, but about 10 percent of people with anorexia and bulimia are male.

Without treatment about 20 percent of people with serious eating disorders die. With treatment, about 60 percent of people with eating disorders recover, although mental recovery could take a lifetime, said the website.

If students can not make it to the screening, but are concerned about themselves or friends, they can call (800) 405-9100 for other sites throughout the country.

## Entertainment

# Advertisers turn to top rappers to sway young buyers

By MARIAN LIU  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Bling-bling. Ka-ching. Ka-ching. Hip-hop has become the language of Madison Avenue.

"Companies have no choice about using hip-hop," says Ludacris, the rapper and former Pepsi pitchman. "If they want to reach a wider audience, hip-hop is the popular music in the game today."

Turn on the television and see Jay-Z swigging Heineken, Usher eating Twix and Tweet using Verizon and wearing Gap.

Flip through any magazine and Queen Latifah sports CoverGirl cosmetics, Busta Rhymes and Wyclef Jean drink Mountain Dew and Pepsi, and Lil' Kim

and Mary J. Blige wear Mac makeup. "Role models have changed from athletes to rappers," says Larry Schwartz, executive vice president of Lugz shoes.

From Run-DMC's 1986 hit "My Adidas" to Busta Rhymes' hit last summer "Pass the Courvoisier," hip-hop icons rap and rhyme about products. Now, they are lending their famous faces to promote them.

"They wanted to have a young audience who kids can kind of relate to," says Fabolous, the rapper who hawks Reebok on TV. "It's an introduction to you through the commercial. They can find out what kind of music you do. It opens other doors."

According to Black Enterprise Magazine, hip-hop represents a growing

\$5 billion industry. Hip-hop touches on music, clothes and shoes, culture and lifestyle. It's a way to reach into the wallets of the younger generation.

It works. After Sprite launched a 1999 advertising campaign with hip-hop stars, including rap pioneer Afrika Bambaataa, Time Magazine reported that people who said Sprite was their favorite soda quadrupled.

After Reebok launched its RBK collection with the hip-hop tie-in by Fabolous, sales of its basketball shoes increased by 35 percent.

Lugz uses a who's who of hip-hop artists, including Snoop Dogg and Funkmaster Flex, to promote its shoes. The company reports that retailers now sell 20 to 25 percent of its stock in a

new. Schwartz says hip-hop has enabled the urban shoe brand, which was founded in 1993, to grow to annual sales of \$150 million.

"Whatever the youth is into is going to move products," says Funkmaster Flex, who promotes Lugz's urban driving shoe. "And right now hip-hop is a lifestyle of the youth."

The relationship between hip-hop and advertising is symbiotic.

Although, companies remain quiet about how much they pay artists to pitch their products, the Village Voice reported that Run-DMC received \$1.5 million in 1986 to endorse Adidas.

But labeling a brand with hip-hop does carry some risks. You won't see Ludacris in Pepsi commercials anymore.

Bart Casabona, spokesman for PepsiCola North America, says, "A number of consumers contacted the company and were uncomfortable with the association with the artist, primarily due to the content of his lyrics."

The current Pepsi pitchmen? Ozzy Osbourne and his family. That's created a backlash from the hip-hop community, with impresario Russell Simmons asking how Pepsi could drop Ludacris for a devil worshiper.

But Casabona says he hasn't heard any negative comments.

# Ward set for NCAA championships



Senior Danielle Ward looks to the clock after finishing an event in a meet this season. Ward will compete in the NCAA Women's Championships at Auburn University.

By BRENDAN STEVENS  
SPORTS EDITOR

Many athletes dream of going out on top, and that's just what senior swimmer Danielle Ward gets to do.

Ward will be the OU women's swimming and diving team's lone representative at the Women's NCAA Swimming and Diving Championship in Auburn, Ala.

"I'm totally pumped," Ward said. "I've been waiting to go for four years, and it has finally happened. I'm definitely going out with a bang."

She earned the honor by swimming a 50.06 time in the 100-yard freestyle event at the National Independent Conference Championship two weeks ago. That time currently ranks 28th in the country.

To advance to the final round of the event, Ward will have to swim one of the 16 best times in the event which will take shaving nearly three tenths of a second off her best time.

"The 16th best time last year was 49.78," head swimming coach Pete Hovland said.

"That's something that is well within her range and ability to do."

Also, Ward will compete in the 200-yard freestyle event.

She has a time 1:50.20 in the 200-yard freestyle, ranking 78th nationally. Ward swam that season-best time at the NIC Championship, as well, where the OU women's squad captured its second consecutive title.

In both events, Ward will swim against 98 others in the three-day competition which will take place at Auburn University on March 20-22.

Ward holds school records in the 200-, 500-, 1,000- and 1,650-yard freestyle events. The prolific senior was also part of four relay teams that set pool and school records.

She swam the last leg of the record-setting 200- and 800-yard freestyle relays this season, as well as, the final leg of the 200-yard medley relay foursome that swam a pool record this year. Ward also swam the opening leg of the 400-yard freestyle relay team that set a record in 2001.



RANDY DUDEK

Associate Editor

## Time to expand Horizons

After a better than expected Mid-Con tournament run from the women's squad, and from the men ... not so much, the high-profile sports season is coming to an end on campus.

It is time to reflect on where OU athletics needs to be.

Where it currently is, is the Mid-Con, a disjointed entity that seems to be comprised of schools who are looking for a place to play road games.

The Mid-Con is so unprepared for the big-time that even though OU tied Indiana University - Purdue University Indianapolis for second place in the regular season, OU was seeded third, despite having the same number of wins and three fewer losses than the Jaguars.

IUPUI took the higher seed and parlayed it into an NCAA tournament berth.

Instead of big-time administration, the Mid-Con has opted to go for big-time map coverage, another big-time problem with the league.

With OU being the farthest point north and east, the conference stretches as far south as Shreveport, La. and as far west as Cedar City, Utah.

Because more than half of the Mid-Con residing outside of the Arctic Circle, OU is at a competitive disadvantage in the outdoor spring sports. While our baseball, softball, golf and tennis teams are practicing in sweats inside various domes, the other schools in the league are outside in shorts, T-shirts and sunshine.

All the Grizzlies have to do to correct these flaws is follow the lead of six former Mid-Con members and run off into the Horizon League.

Close to home, higher prestige, regular season rivalries with the University of Detroit-Mercy.

As far west as ... Chicago.

As far south as ... Dayton.

Perfect.

Even in the Horizon League, there is still a problem with the high-profile sports season only lasting from November through March.

This campus needs something else to keep, or get, students interested.

Until somebody can show me the section of Matilda Wilson's will or the school charter that forbids "contact sports," I'm going to keep a campaign going for varsity football and hockey.

Football, and the partying that goes with it, would help act as a focal point for campus involvement. It can't help but build school spirit on a campus that is sorely lacking enthusiasm.

By the time of the first big sporting event on campus, Midnight Madness, students have already developed a school schedule that ignores the sports teams.

Unfortunately, unless the school is an established success, football is a giant money drain.

And that's not even taking into consideration the expense of converting the soccer field or building a stadium.

A sport that OU could add and make money from would be hockey. The club hockey teams have already shown that there is interest, and with the relationship between OU and Palace Sports and Entertainment, varsity hockey could take off quickly.

Wayne State University has already proven that the area will take to college hockey and that success is available early on.

WSU, a former OU rival in the Division II days, has hockey as its only Div. I sport, and in their third season of Div. I play, the Warriors qualified for the NCAA hockey tournament.

I'm not the expert, I'm just an idiot with a keyboard. But if there is any hope of taking OU athletics past the point where people assume that we are a school in California, then something sure needs to be done.

Randy Dudek is a sophomore majoring in music education. Send comments to sports@oakpostonline.com.

## Basketball players get recognized

By BRENDAN STEVENS  
SPORTS EDITOR

Despite the OU men's and women's basketball teams' disappointments at last week's Mid-Con Conference Tournaments, the strides both programs made this year cannot be ignored.

With junior guard Mike Helms ranking third nationally in scoring average, the men's squad earned national recognition with an athletic team that is on the rise.

On the women's side, the team dealt with a coaching change just a week before the season began and advanced all the way the Mid-Con Championship, coming within two free throws from advancing to the NCAA tournament for the second straight year.

The squads dealt with new personnel that greatly changed the mentality of both groups.

The men's team lost four 1,000-point scorers after the 2001-2002 season but didn't panic.

Helms picked up much of the slack by doubling his scoring output, while sophomore transfers Rawle Marshall, guard, and Cortney Scott, forward, began contributing early in the season.

After bursting onto the national scoring scene, Helms was recognized by a variety of sources. He was crowned Mid-Con Player of the Year and Most Valuable Player, and was also named to the Mid-Major All-American team by CollegeInsider.com.

"That's great for Mike and the team," said men's head coach Greg Kampe. "It shows respect for the program and the individuals in it."

Both Helms and Marshall were named first team all-conference, while Scott earned second team all-conference honors.

Marshall was also awarded the Mid-Con's first-ever Defensive Player of the Year award after leading the league in steals, 2.86 per game, and setting OU single-season records with 80 steals and 41 blocks.

Scott led the conference in rebounding, 8.7 per contest, and was among the league leaders in scoring average and field goal percentage.

Also, after a second consecutive 17-win season, men's head coach Greg Kampe was named Mid-Con co-coach of the year along with Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis coach Ron Hunter.

"I'm not an awards guy," said Kampe. "The only award I want is a championship ring. But I'm pleased with the amount of respect we're finally starting to get."

The men weren't the only ones recognized for their outstanding play, as two female basketball players were honored by the Mid-Con.

Senior guard Katie Wolfe will graduate from OU as arguably the most dangerous scorer in Mid-Con history.

For the fourth consecutive year, Wolfe was named to the first team all-conference squad, becoming only the second player in league history to claim that honor.

Wolfe became just the fourth player in OU history to eclipse the 2,000 career points barrier with tournament-record 41 points in the opening round of the Mid-Con Conference Tournament.

She also led the league with a 19.5 points per game average. Wolfe will graduate second on the Mid-Con's career scoring list with 2,065.

In her first year at OU, freshman guard Jayme Wilson started all 26 games for the Grizzlies and averaged 15.6 points per game to earn her all-newcomer team honors.

Women's head coach Eileen Shea-Hilliard helped her team, and herself, adapt to a difficult and new situation, leading OU to the Mid-Con Conference Tournament championship game and a 13-16 overall record in her first season at the helm.

"The kids were learning a new system," Shea-Hilliard said. "They had to learn what I wanted. I think they did a really good job of adjusting. We got hot at the right time."

As both Kampe and Shea-Hilliard begin early preparation for next season, they both will have to replace graduating seniors.

Wolfe and guard Romica Clint from the women's team will move on, and forward Adrian Martin will graduate on the men's side.

# Baseball rolls on

By BRENDAN STEVENS  
SPORTS EDITOR

With a four-game split against Butler University this weekend, the OU baseball team continued the strong play it has shown so far this season.

What makes the success even more impressive is the fact that head coach Mark Avery doesn't believe his team is playing that well right now.

"We keep finding ways to win," Avery said. "When you are playing poorly and still winning, that's a big positive."

The Grizzlies lost the first game against Butler in Indianapolis, Ind. on Saturday, 5-0, but rebounded to down the Bulldogs, 7-6, in the nightcap.

Sunday, OU (9-5) reversed the previous day's outcome, defeating Butler, 6-3, in the first game of a second double header. The Bulldogs evened the weekend with an 8-3 victory to wrap up the series.

The Grizzlies have the best overall record in the Mid-Con at this point in the season.

"Our pitchers are throwing outstanding," Avery said. "The rest of the game isn't there yet, and we are winning. That just shows how well our pitchers are doing."

Avery attributes his team's inconsistent hitting to the constant changing from practicing indoors and playing road games outdoors.

"We've hit well in some games, but we've been very inconsistent," Avery said. "We just need to clean it up, and I think when we get outside, it will happen."

OU is hitting .279 as a team, fairly low for college baseball. The team has also committed 31 errors, which may be credited to practicing indoors.

In its first game Saturday, OU was shut down by freshman lefty Josh Rudolphi of Butler. Rudolphi pitched a complete game 5-0 shutout for the Bulldogs, allowed only one hit, struck out 11 and walked just two batters.

Grizzly left-handed pitcher Dominic Carosino (2-2) dueling Rudolphi for six innings, giving up only three hits and striking out seven in the loss.

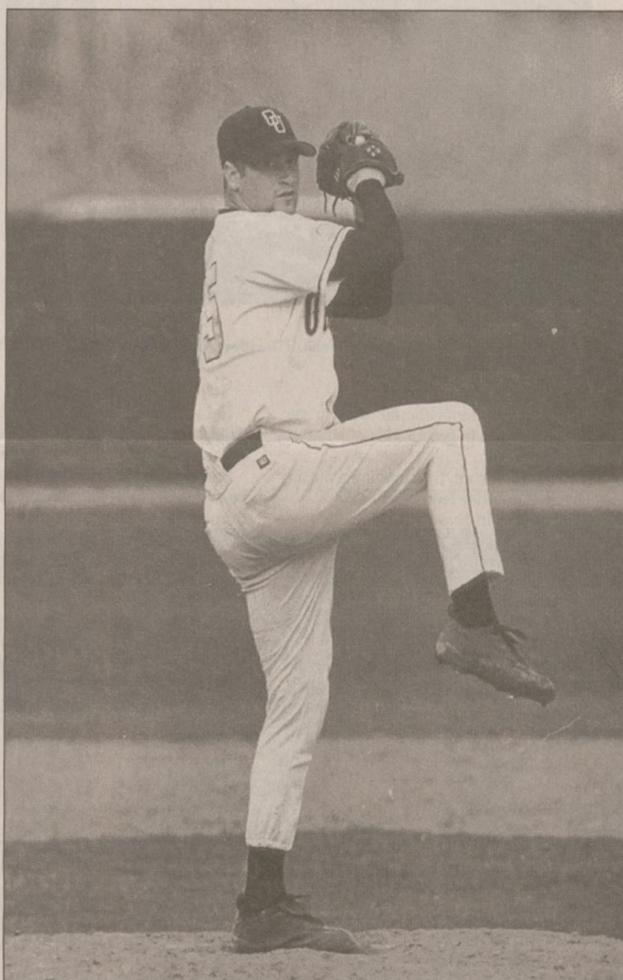
OU split Saturday's doubleheader with a 7-6 win over Butler (5-9) in a contest that took two extra innings to decide a winner.

Sophomore third baseman John Sullivan hit a double in the top of the ninth inning that drove in the go-ahead run from second.

The Grizzlies did the rest of their scoring in two-run spurts in the second, third and fourth innings.

The Bulldogs battled back from the early deficit, tying the game in the bottom of the seventh inning to force extra innings.

OU's offense was led by junior outfielder Spencer Hynes, who had three hits and two RBIs. Sophomore outfielder Will Tollison contributed three



Bob Knoska/File Photo

Senior left-handed pitcher Brent Brown prepares to rifle one toward the plate in an appearance last season. Brown is 1-0 in three starts this year.

hits and one RBI and freshman catcher Anthony Lalama had the Grizzlies' only other RBI.

Sunday, OU came out on a mission scoring all six runs of its 6-3 victory over Butler in the first inning.

In that opening-inning scoring barrage, the Grizzlies had six hits, all singles, and drew to walks while batting completely threw the order and then some.

Leadoff man, freshman Gerry Defour led OU with three hits, two RBIs and one run scored.

Senior Peter Varon, designated hitter for the Sunday's first game, also had two RBI, while junior first baseman Michael Trosen and senior catcher Chris Hilton added one RBI each.

Senior lefty Brent Brown picked up his first win of the season in his third start of the year, pitching five innings with six strikeouts and two walks.

Junior righthander Steve Kniebbe recorded his first save of the season in two innings of relief.

As quickly as they had started in

the first game of the day, the Grizzlies faltered in the second contest, falling to the Bulldogs, 8-3.

Butler scored at least one run in the first six innings of the game while holding OU scoreless during that same time.

The Grizzlies did not remove the goose egg from the scoreboard until the top of the seventh inning.

Junior shortstop Ryan Freiburger, Tollison and Trosen each had one RBI for OU.

Next week, OU will play four games but will travel much less than it has in the past weeks.

At 1 p.m., Sunday, the Grizzlies will dual the University of Toledo on the road in a single-game showdown.

OU will play its first two home games of the season with a doubleheader at 1 p.m. Monday against Indiana Tech University.

The Grizzlies will wrap up the next week's action with one game at 3 p.m. Tuesday against Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, Mich.

# In hunt after one day

Continuing its march towards the Mid-Con Championship in late April, the OU men's golf team competed in the Sam Houston State Bearkat Classic on Monday and Tuesday.

After one day of competition, the Grizzlies were in 12th place. Seventeen schools were at the event.

Only first-day results are available because Tuesday's action concluded

after this issue's deadline.

Junior Ryan Yelen was the Grizzlies highest first-day finisher, firing a score of 151 in two rounds, placing him in 18th place. He trailed the leaders by nine shots.

Sophomore Brian Stuard (159), senior Chris King (161), freshman Rob Tate (165) and junior Matt Pullen (166) rounded out OU's scoring.

Next week, both the men's and women's teams will compete in the Butler Spring Invitational in Indianapolis, Ind.

The Mid-Con Championship is scheduled to take place April 21-22, at OU.

—Brendan Stevens,  
Sports Editor

# Women's hockey program enjoying continued growth

## Membership, record rising every year

By **BRENDAN STEVENS**  
SPORTS EDITOR

Though they may not have the 35-player roster or the national tournament like the men's club hockey team, they do have "The Gauntlet."

In its third year of existence, the OU women's club hockey team has grown steadily since its creation and has a record of 8-7-2, an all-time best.

This season, the team has a roster that numbers in the double-digits, and its level of play is at an all-time high.

That's why *The Post* decided to participate in one of the team's practices, which take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 p.m.-midnight at the ONYX in Rochester, the same place the team plays its home games.

The team worked on a wide variety of aspects, from stickhandling to passing, and offense to defense.

None of the drills, however, could have prepared this sports editor for the next drill, called "The Gauntlet."

In that drill, the entire team lines up along the length of the ice about five feet apart from one another.

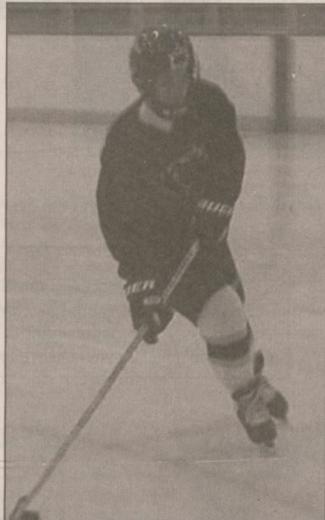
Once properly spaced, the women then move about a foot and a half away from the boards. That's when the fun begins.

The person in the front of the line then tries to skate between the players and the boards while the other members of the team try to pin the skater against the boards.

The drill is designed to teach skaters to fight through a body check, but it became more of a lesson on just how tough the players in women's hockey really are for this editor.

Either they stepped up the level of the drill just for me, or women's games are even more physical than I first realized. Either way, these women are no wimps.

And they'll be the first ones to tell you that.



Bob Knoska/File Photo  
Top: Senior defender Laura Cuniffe works on carrying the puck during an OU women's club hockey practice. Right: Junior center Kristin Czarnecki maneuvers through two defenders in a game against Lake Superior State University last season.



"I think once somebody comes to one of our games, they see how competitive it is, and how it is not like 'Whoops, I bumped into you,'" senior team captain Laura Cuniffe said. "Just because it's a no-checking league doesn't mean there's no contact. Some of these games are very high-scoring and very exciting, and people come back after they see us once."

With the question of hockey becoming a varsity sport at OU slowly arising, the women are instead more focused on helping the program grow.

"Varsity will come," Cuniffe said. "It's going to take some time. Right now

though, we need to work on consistency. "We definitely have the potential to beat anybody in our league. We need to start getting it so that any given night we are ready to go out and play hard, take it the next level."

Although the club's membership has consistently grown, it is always looking for new teammates.

One of the newcomers to this year's squad, junior forward Melissa Orr, said she never felt out of place.

"Even when I didn't know the game right away, they were always helpful," Orr said. "Everybody helps everybody.

Without that, you don't have a team."

The rise in membership has also led to improved talent and a different attitude for the team.

"We're much more out there to win and be a good team rather than get together and have fun," sophomore center Amanda Pietras said. "We're getting to the level where we can start being competitive."

Cuniffe has recognized the difference from last year.

"I thought we were pretty competitive last year, it's just that we didn't have the tools really," she said. "We knew we had

potential, but we couldn't get it to come together. This year it's coming together a lot better. Our team chemistry is ten times what it was last year."

Awareness may be the team's biggest opponent, however.

"Most people don't even know we have a team," Orr said. "That's the biggest problem. People in our classes are like 'You play ice hockey? Like the guys play?' Nobody understands that we play just as hard and have good games too."

Associate Editor Randy Dudek contributed to this feature.

# Softball in full swing

By **BRENDAN STEVENS**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The OU softball team's struggles continued this weekend at the Ohio State Buckeye Invitational.

After opening the competition with a 3-2 win over Morehead State University on Saturday, OU dropped its second game on Saturday and both of its games on Sunday.

The Grizzlies followed up the close victory over Morehead with a 7-1 loss to 18th-ranked Ohio State University.

Sunday, OU (5-13) had a pair of 4-2 losses, falling to Morehead (3-11-1) in the morning and Ohio State (14-6) in the afternoon.

"We just missed out on some timely hitting," OU assistant coach Glenn MacDonald said. "Hits didn't come at the right times, and that's what we are working on now."

Sophomore pitcher Nicole Marzano was on the mound for the Grizzlies' narrow win over the Eagles on Saturday.

While pitching a complete game, she had five strikeouts and gave up only five hits while allowing only one earned run in her first win of the season.

"(Marzano) is starting to get back on track," MacDonald said. "She was having a hard time with her spots earlier in the year. She's a big factor because she's our hardest thrower."

Senior Linnea Utecht, playing leftfield in the first game of the day, had one RBI and junior shortstop Erica Judge had the only other OU RBI.

In Saturday afternoon's game against Ohio State, the Grizzlies were unable to overcome four runs in the first two innings in a 7-1 loss to the Buckeyes.

OU's lone run was scored in the third inning by sophomore Valene Hair who was pinch running for Utecht, the Grizzlies' starting pitcher.

Hair stole home while senior catcher Megan Piar stole second base, a maneuver known as the double steal.

OU was held to three hits and was struck out eight times by Ohio State junior pitcher Kristi DeVries, her seventh win of the season.

The Grizzlies were unable to capitalize on their rematch with Morehead Sunday morning, falling to the Eagles, 4-2.

OU jumped out to an early lead when senior Ericka Burns, the designated hitter for the game, hit a solo home run with two outs in the first inning. It was Burns' second home run of the season.

Morehead tied the game in the top of the third inning after a sacrifice bunt moved a runner to third and a single drove the runner in.

The Eagles took the lead for good in the top of the fifth inning, scoring two runs on two hits, one walk and an error.

The Grizzlies pulled within one run in the bottom half of the inning on a solo home run by senior second baseman Nina Catanzaro, also her second dinger of the year.

Morehead scored a final run in the top of the seventh inning to seal the victory.

Utecht (2-4), starting her second game in as many days, pitched four innings and allowed seven hits while taking the loss.

OU suffered its second 4-2 loss of the day at the hands of Ohio State.

Once again, the Grizzlies jumped out to the early lead with two runs in the top of the third.

A groundball to second base by Utecht turned into a big play.

Buckeye sophomore second baseman Jennifer Johnson committed a throwing error that allowed Catanzaro to score all the way from first base. Utecht moved to third base on the error.

Piar followed up the comedy of errors with a single that squirted



Bob Knoska/File Photo  
Sophomore pitcher Nicole Marzano finishes her windup in a game last year. Marzano tallied her first win of the season this weekend.

through the right side of the infield and drove in Utecht.

Ohio State quickly tied the game, however, scoring two runs in the bottom of the inning.

A two-out double by Buckeye senior third baseman Kristine Himes drove in two runs and knotted the score at two.

The Grizzlies were held scoreless for the remainder of the contest and Ohio State scored two runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to take the win.

OU senior pitcher Julie Anderson (3-5) threw the complete game, giving up four hits and striking out eight in the loss.

The Buckeye's number one pitcher, senior Katie Chain, shut down the Grizzlies. She shut down OU's hitters for all seven innings, striking out nine.

# Club lacrosse dominant in one-sided win

By **ADAM SPINDLER**  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

To say that the OU men's club lacrosse team was looking forward to this past weekend's competition would be an understatement.

After a one-month layoff, the Grizzlies were rested and ready to face two in-state foes - Michigan State University and Eastern Michigan University - in back-to-back road games. They returned home Sunday night with good news and bad news.

The good news? Sunday's 25-3 rout of Eastern Michigan, which brought the 16th-ranked Grizzlies' record to 3-0.

The bad news? Saturday's game-that-never-was.

The Spartans called off the contest, citing snow on their field's turf. The game was postponed, much to the chagrin of head coach Dwayne Hicks.

"That was very frustrating," said Hicks. "We were geared up to play. You plan for peaks and valleys, and this puts a wrinkle in the schedule."

Senior captain Towbey Kassa echoed his coach's displeasure.

"We were fired up, pumped up, ready to go like no other," Kassa said. "We've had some close ones (with MSU), and we were looking to beat them."

Kassa and his teammates took their frustrations out on Eastern Michigan, beating the Eagles by 22 goals.

Eastern, a bigger team with more players than OU, didn't put up much of a fight.

"I thought they'd give us a better challenge," said Kassa. "We kind of helped them out a little towards the end - gave them advice and things like that."

Kassa found it strange that EMU was able to get rid of its snow, but MSU wasn't.

"I felt maybe MSU was unprepared," he said. "When coach told us the game was postponed, we thought he was joking. Eastern took care of their snow just fine."

OU's next marquee matchup will be against the University of Michigan this Sunday. But even with the big-name Wolverines on the horizon, the Grizzlies don't plan to overlook Thursday's opponent, little-known Taylor University.

"We use games like that as a live practice or scrimmage," Kassa said. "We view it as a chance to work on our fundamentals."

OU lacrosse has never beaten Michigan, but if the Grizzlies get past the Wolverines, it will be their biggest win to date. Michigan is currently ranked fourth in the nation.

"Unequivocally, I can say that beating Michigan would be the biggest win in the history of this team and would probably be the biggest upset this year in the league," said Hicks.

Hicks expects a re-scheduled Michigan State game to occur "relatively soon." If recent history is any indication, it will be a close, hard-fought affair. In each of their past three meetings, MSU has narrowly edged the Grizzlies by a single goal.

Results for the women's tennis meet against the University of Detroit-Mercy on Tuesday were unavailable before the deadline of this week's issue. Please check out next week's issue for results and stats from the meet.

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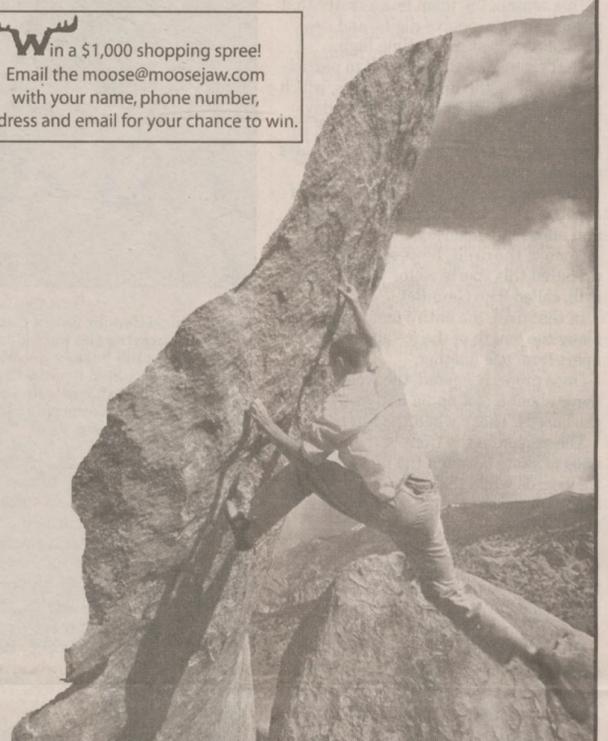
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### MIDWEST REGION

FIRST ROUND	SECOND ROUND	REGIONALS
March 20 or 21	March 22 or 23	March 27 and 29
1 Kentucky		
16 IUPUI		
8 Oregon		
9 Utah		
5 Wisconsin		
12 Weber		
4 Dayton		
13 Tulsa		
6 Missouri		
11 S. Illinois		
3 Marquette		
14 Holy Cross		
7 Indiana		
10 Alabama		
2 Pitt		
15 Wagner		

**Minneapolis**

### SOUTH REGION

REGIONALS	SECOND ROUND	FIRST ROUND
March 28 and 30	March 22 or 23	March 20 or 21
		Texas 1
		Texas South. 16
		LSU 8
		Purdue 9
		UCone 5
		BYU 12
		Stanford 4
		San Diego 13
		Maryland 6
		N.C. Wilmington 11
		Xavier 3
		Troy St. 14
		Michigan St. 7
		Colorado 10
		Florida 2
		Sam Houston St. 15

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### WEST REGION

FIRST ROUND	SECOND ROUND	REGIONALS
March 20 or 21	March 22 or 23	March 27 and 29
1 Arizona		
16 Vermont		
8 Cincinnati		
9 Gonzaga		
5 Notre Dame		
12 Wis.-Mil.		
4 Illinois		
13 W. Kentucky		
6 Creighton		
11 C. Michigan		
3 Duke		
14 Colorado St.		
7 Memphis		
10 Arizona St.		
2 Kansas		
15 Utah St.		

**Anaheim, Calif.**

### EAST REGION

REGIONALS	SECOND ROUND	FIRST ROUND
March 28 and 30	March 22 or 23	March 20 or 21
		Oklahoma 1
		S. Carolina State 16
		California 8
		N.C. State 9
		Mississippi St. 5
		Butler 12
		Louisville 4
		Austin Peay 13
		Delaware St. 6
		Pennsylvania 11
		Syracuse 3
		Marshall 14
		St. Joseph's 7
		Auburn 10
		Wake Forest 2
		East Tennessee St. 15

**Albany, N.Y.**

**New Orleans April 7**

**Dayton, Ohio March 18**

**Opening round, decides 64th team**

N.C. Asheville  
Texas Southern

Note: Winner of this game becomes 16th seed in South Region

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# Student Spotlight Rico Vitelli

By Laura Angus  
Campus Life Editor

Sophomore Rico Vitelli, 20, lives the life of any normal college student. He takes classes, plays sports and hangs out with his friends.

Vitelli is not the average college student, though. He was born with spina bifida, a disease which has left him unable to walk.

According to the Spina Bifida Association of America, spina bifida affects one in 1,000 newborns in America. It is caused by the spinal cord failing to close properly during the first months of pregnancy and results in paralysis and other effects. In spite of these problems, most people born with spina bifida live a full life.

When Vitelli was young, life was a struggle. He said he had few friends and did not do well in school.

Freshman year of high school came, and all of that changed for Vitelli.

The change came when a friend encouraged him to join an area wheelchair basketball team.

The Sterling Heights Challengers Junior Wheelchair Basketball Team is a team for people unable to play regular basketball, said Vitelli.

He said anyone as young as two-years-old can play until their graduation from high school.

"At first, I was a little unsure about it, because I am a competitive person, and I thought it would be just for fun," he said. It turned out to be just the thing he needed.

"I was amazed," said Vitelli. Before Vitelli joined the team, he did not do well in school, he said. His coach stressed academics, so Vitelli worked hard in school and that enabled him to attend OU.

He also built lifelong friendships with his teammates.

"It helped me with my social skills," he said. "I talk more now."

The team also changed his outlook on life.

"Before this, I never had a whole lot of confidence," he said.

Although he graduated from high school, Vitelli still remains active with the

team. The team has won two National Championships in a row, and when Vitelli was on the team it was third in the league.

Now, he plays wheelchair hockey in a league based out of Southfield.

"I like basketball better. It's more competitive," said Vitelli.

He said there are college wheelchair basketball leagues, but there are none in the area.

If one is offered here, he would definitely join, he said, but he doesn't want to leave the state and his family.

Vitelli said wheelchair athletics has allowed him to live like everyone else and hold on to hope that he might someday be able to walk.

He said that from what he knows about his disease, he probably won't ever be able to walk, but, "I do believe in miracles."

With these activities, Vitelli works to increase understanding in the world.

"One of my goals in life is to help people understand what it's like to be handicapped," he said.

His other goal in life is to follow in his



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post  
Rico Vitelli played forward for the Sterling Heights Challengers Junior Wheelchair Basketball Team and is now a sophomore at OU.

dad's footsteps and become an entrepreneur. He is studying business administration, and would like to someday open his own store.

## THE LOW DOWN

Wednesday, March 19

The American Council of Education Network for Women's Leaders will be presenting the 11th annual Phyllis Law Gogasian Award Luncheon honoring Dr. Fatma Mili, associate professor of engineering, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in Gold Rooms in the OC.

Thursday, March 20

SLLB will present author Barbara Ehrenreich speaking on "Nickel and Dimed: Down and Out in America" at noon in Varner Recital Hall.

Friday, March 21

Residence Halls Programming will be presenting Friday Night Live at 7 p.m. in Vandenberg Dining Center in Vandenberg Hall.

Saturday, March 22

The Association of Black Students will hold its annual ball from 7 p.m.-1 a.m. in Pioneer Food Court in the OC.

Wednesday, March 26

Women's Studies will be sponsoring a "Women's Studies Celebration," from noon-2 p.m. in the Lake Superior Room B in the OC.

Thursday, March 27

SPB will be presenting "Comedian Shang" at 8 p.m. in the Pioneer Food Court in the OC.

Friday, March 28

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will present "OZ Apollo Night" a night to showcase student talent and to compete for a cash prize at 7:13 p.m. in 201 Dodge Hall of Engineering.

Monday, March 31

This is the last day to submit an application for the student liaison position to the Board of Trustees in the Student Affairs office in room 144 in the OC.

Tuesday, April 1

The Center for Student Activities will be presenting a "Festival of Pools" at noon in the Fireside Lounge in the OC.

A bus of OU students will be going to Washington D.C. for an affirmative action rally. The bus is full, but CSA has a waiting list for interested students. For more information, call (248) 370-2400.

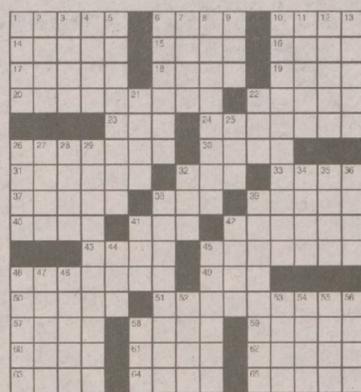
Wednesday, April 2

The Center for Student Activities and Women's Issue Forum will be sponsoring "That Women's Show" (for generations of women), from noon-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge in the OC.



## Crossword

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1 Spars  
6 PC command  
10 Wife of a baronet  
14 Like a couch potato  
15 Family chart  
16 Fateful day at the Forum  
17 Andrea, the dictator of Genoa  
18 Stood up  
19 Categorize  
20 News source  
22 Newton's fruit?  
23 Pull behind  
24 Conceives  
26 Weigh heavily on  
30 Essence  
31 Sovereigns  
32 Female swan  
33 Brag  
37 Joyce Kilmer classic  
38 Xenon or neon  
39 Chicago hub  
40 Irish writer  
O'Casey  
41 Carney of "Harry and Tonto"  
42 Soccer side  
43 Spumante  
45 Superlatively insane  
46 Force out  
49 Erhard's group  
50 Carlo  
51 Fates  
57 "La Boheme" character  
58 Yale students  
59 Pesky bug  
60 Distinctive flair  
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6 Drinker's tubes  
7 Presley's middle name  
8 Traces  
9 Shoe-box letters  
10 Sent  
11 Take up  
12 Country singer  
Haggard  
13 Senator  
Kefauver  
21 Velvety flora  
22 '50s candidate  
25 Cacophony  
26 Meal scraps  
27 Immaculate  
28 Entreaty  
29 Performing again  
32 Tap gently  
34 Glowing review  
35 Mine finds  
36 Left  
46 Art  
47 Magician's interjection  
48 "Newsboy" painter Henry  
52 Emerald Isle  
53 French resort city  
54 Not working  
55 Hoopie's oath  
58 Hardens  
58 Ostrich-like bird

## Grizzly Sports Calendar

Games shaded in gray denote home contests. Records and standing in bold denote Mid-Con. Records and standings in *italics* denotes league.

	19 Wed	20 Thu	21 Fri	22 Sat	23 Sun	24 Mon	25 Tue
		11a.m. & 7p.m. NCAA Women's Championship in Auburn, Ala.	11a.m. & 7p.m. NCAA Women's Championship in Auburn, Ala.	11a.m. & 7p.m. NCAA Women's Championship in Auburn, Ala.			
	4-3 0-0 No Mid-Con		TBA University of Michigan	8:30 p.m. University of Michigan			
BASEBALL				1 p.m. Toledo		1 p.m. Indiana Tech (Doubleheader)	3 p.m. Eastern Michigan
	4-3 0-0					T.B.D. Butler Spring Invitational (Men & Women)	T.B.D. Butler Spring Invitational (Men & Women)
			Noon Dayton	1 p.m. Dayton			
	3-0 0-0 No League		(Doubleheader)				

## OU says ...

### What do you think about war with Iraq?



"There needs to be a regime change to benefit the people in Iraq as well as us."

Andy Norris  
Sophomore  
Biology

"Something should have been done already, instead of hopping around the issue."

Rob Pankay  
Sophomore  
Communication



"War might cause more problems."

Nancy Toma  
Freshman  
Undecided

"It's unfortunate but it has to be done."

Cadriah Searles  
Junior  
Communication and Dance



"I think it's stupid."

Tamara Robinson  
Sophomore  
Education

# Student Affairs

Updating OU

**CONGRATULATIONS**

2003 Alfred G. and Matilda R. Wilson Award Recipients  
Dennis O'Connor and Ashley McGhee  
2003 Human Relations Award Recipient  
Ashli Bobo

**2002-2003 Volunteer Service Awards**

Applications are still available in the Dean of Students Office, 144 Oakland Center.

**Deadline for both individual and group applications is this Friday, March 21st.**

**2003 Sidney Fink Memorial Awards and 2003-2004 Commuter Involvement Awards**

Applications for both awards are now available in the Dean of Students Office, 144 Oakland Center. Please see display ad elsewhere in this issue for more details.

**Congratulations 2003 Orientation Team**

**Orientation Group Leaders**

Eric Bergeron, Ryan Donnellon, James Ellout, Brittany Fuller, LaToya Hearn, Daniel Johnston, Daniel Lewkowicz, Christopher Lutz, Stefanie Marshall, Erin McInerney, Martin Moen, Tienelle Neebling, Thomas Pickle, Nick Shenduk, Lucy VandePutte, Diana Walcott, Julie Wojciechowski

**Orientation Assistants**

Bryan Austin, Shakarra Burrell, Laura Christensen, Tyshara Lawson, Steven Townsend

**ATTENTION SENIOR EDUCATION STUDENTS**

**Educators Recruiting Day** will take place on Wednesday, April 30, 2003! Sign ups for scheduled interviews with schools and school districts started March 10th and will continue until April 18, 2003. Only teaching candidates registered in Career Services eRecruiting database with a resume uploaded can participate in this event. Students may find additional information on upcoming workshops for educators and Frequently Asked Questions on Educators Recruiting Day on the Career Services Department's website at [www.oakland.edu/careerservices](http://www.oakland.edu/careerservices).

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**Congratulations**

**2003 Financial Executives International Award for Academic Excellence Recipient**  
Emily Fulton

**2003 Oakland University Trustee Scholarship Graduates**

Ashli Bobo, Danielle Cato, Shontelle Cavanaugh, Cynthia Chambers, Kejuanna Culler, Emily Fulton, Heather Gehlinger, Jaspreet Gill, Maria Heredia, Jennifer Herrera, Simira Johnson, Nicholas Kanara, Russell Kouba, Lola Love, Ann MacDonald, Rochelle Mann, Florencia Nespola, Kimberly Powell, Jason Shields, Moniserey Sou, Jasmine Tyler, Loria Usey, Sherina Walls, Lattice Wilborn, Ralph Williams II, Gabriel Wordell

*This Week*

**Wednesday, March 19**

**Eating Disorder Screening Program**—Oakland Room, Oakland Center, 10 AM or 12 noon. Are you losing a lot of weight? Are you intensely dissatisfied with your body? Are you fasting and exercising excessively? Do you binge and purge? Do you know anyone who does? Are you interested in learning about body image problems and eating disorders? Then stop by. This program is sponsored by the Counseling Center-Graham Health Center. For more information, please contact the Counseling Center at 370-3465.

**Wednesday, March 19**

**Wellness Wednesday**—Pioneer Room, 12:05 PM featuring "Nutrition and Cancer" led by R.D. Nancy Kennedy. Cancer prevention begins with nutrition. Learn what should be a part of your daily food intake to reduce the risk of cancer. An OU mug will be raffled off. See you there!

**Wednesday, March 19**

**Walt Disney World**—Disney World will be on campus to recruit Oakland University students from 11 AM-1 PM in the Heritage Room of the Oakland Center. The presentation begins at 11 AM followed by on-site interviews. Students can earn college credit by enrolling in one of the summer courses on-site at Disney World.

**Friday, March 21**

**RHP's Friday Night Live Winter 2003 Comedy Series present comedian Mike Birbiglia, 7 PM, Vandenberg Cafeteria.** After graduating from Georgetown University in May of 2000, Mike has been making leaps and bounds in the comedy world. A regular performer at Comic Strip Live, Caroline's and Gotham Comedy Club, he has also performed on NBC's Late Friday, Comedy Central's Premium Blend and the Metro Channel's New Joke City with Robert Klein. Last year he was selected to perform on the New Faces Showcase at the prestigious Montreal "Just For Laughs" Festival. Free admission and refreshments.

*Upcoming Events*

**MICHIGAN COLLEGIATE JOB FAIR**

This year's **Spring MCJF** will be held on **Friday, March 28 at Burton Manor in Livonia.** Candidates may pre-register for \$10 or register "at the door" for \$20. **MCJF** is a statewide job fair for **graduating students and recent alumni** of Michigan colleges and universities, as well as for students of those institutions who are seeking internship, co-op or other career-related opportunities. Job openings will be represented for most majors, with the likely exception of medicine, law and education. Additional information on **MCJF** (incl. information on the employers that will be represented at the event) is available on campus at Career Services (275 West VBH, 370-3250), or by visiting the **MCJF** web site at [www.mcjf.org](http://www.mcjf.org).

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**Macomb County Teacher Job Fair**, Saturday, March 29, 8:30am to 3:30pm. Representing up to 25 public school districts in Southeastern Michigan. For info go to [www.misd.net](http://www.misd.net). **Teacher Job Fair**, or call (586) 228-3576. EEOE.

**Jobs**

**Bartender Trainees Needed.** \$250 a day potential. Local positions. (800) 293-3985 ext. 198

**Clean Cut Reliable Student** with good driving record for summer outdoor work in the Mt. Clemens area. 5-6 days a week, \$400-\$500 per week. Please call (586) 783-1577. Ask for Ryan

**Summer Childcare Provider**

Female to watch over two daughters, 4 & 7 in our Rochester Hills home from June 9th until Sept. 4th. 8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday- Friday. Call Patti at (248) 816-0343.

**Join a high performance team!!!** AFLAC, a fortune 500 company has immediate sales positions available. Must be able to build relationships with employers as well as their employees. Training available. Please contact Michelle. Phone (586) 783-7600 or fax resume to (586) 783-7605.

**Parents looking for Qualified Part-time Care giver** for 10-year-old son. Flexible weekly schedule. Will negotiate tuition for time. Bloomfield Hills. Call Helen (248) 647-2546 or cell(248) 310-8220.

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**Royal Oak Chuch** seeks born again musician to plan and lead music, and develop music team for Sunday and special services. Skilled at vocals and keyboards and/or guitar. 10-15 hours/week. Great opportunity for student or emerging talent. For information/audition contact cotr recruit@msn.com

**Looking for Weekend Evening Babysitter** to watch 2 boys, ages 4 and 2 in West Bloomfield home. Great pay starting at \$8-9/hr. Please call Becky at: (248) 851-3493, or (248) 459-9191.

**Misc.**

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As of September 5th, there is a **AA/Alanon meeting** every Thursday in the Graham Health Center. Conference Room at noon. This meeting replaces the Wednesday noon meeting from last year.

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