



After splitting over the weekend, the women's soccer team will need help to make the conference tournament.

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War is 'good copy' for media industry

By ROQAYA ESHMAWI
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Tom Brokaw declared war before the president did. So do politics make media? Or do media make politics?

According to a panel of media political science experts, the media can sometimes make politics, influencing voters' decisions, overplaying select images into the public mind and even declaring war.

When the president connected al-Qaeda to Iraq the media did not question him, said Interim Director of Journalism Mike Lewis.



"(It) gave us propaganda from the government instead of exploring what happened behind 9/11.

"We accepted this untrue story ... as rationale for sending our sons and daughters to die," he said.

The power of the media was shown as it pushed the U.S. into war.

"War," he said, means "big stories," which means "big ratings," and that means "big money."

America was known as the nation that stands for human rights, but now, he said, it is known as "the nation that uses torture and humiliation with weapons."

Professor of journalism, Neal Shine, talked of a Baghdad correspondent from The Wall Street Journal, Farnaz Fassihi, who e-mailed friends about her experiences in Iraq.

Her anecdote found its way to the public. According to Shine, Fassihi wrote, "Iraqis are saying that under the Americans it has been a raging and barbar-

ic guerrilla war ... the genie of terrorism has been unleashed on this country as a result of American's mistakes."

The Wall Street Journal later explained, he said, that Fassihi is leaving her post in Baghdad for a vacation that will end sometime after the election.

"Today's media needs to get from where they are to a better place ... to where Farnaz Fassihi would take us if she was allowed to," Shine said.

He also commented on the media phrase "rebuilding Iraq."

"Hell, we better change that logo; we're not rebuilding it, we're breaking it." Please see MEDIA on A4

TAKE PART IN THE PROCESS. Election Day is Tuesday Nov. 2. Be sure to let your voice be heard by casting a ballot.

Proposal talks still dragging

By LIBBY BAKER AND ALLISON BRUNNER
THE OAKLAND POST

OU's Student Congress (OUCS) passage of a resolution urging students to vote no on Proposal 2 continues to cause a stir.

The original resolution (05-05), passed during the Oct. 4 meeting by an 11-3 vote, has raised concerns from some students who feel OUCS should not be telling students how to vote on issues, especially those as controversial as Proposal 2.

A resolution, sponsored by legislator Doug Merriam, which would have apologized to the student body and nullified resolution 05-05, was not placed on the meeting agenda.

He said congress should have educated students on the issue and not urged them to vote one way or another. He also said the passage of 05-05 has caused increased hurt and pain, and created an unhealthy atmosphere where students are afraid to discuss their opinions.

"If you can't be free on a college campus to voice your opinion, where can you do it?" he said.

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Writers take the stage for charity

By ADESINA WHEELER
THE OAKLAND POST

They don't call them the 'Rock Bottom' Remainers for nothing.

If all the band members happen to strike the same chord at the same time, they are genuinely shocked.

And if they all manage to begin a song together, they are as surprised as the audience.

And what they lack in musical talent, they definitely make up in volume.

But the Remainers are still able to sell out venues across the country.

In their real lives, the members are best-selling authors such as Dave Barry, Amy Tan, Mitch Albom, Stephen King, Scott Turow, Frank McCourt, Roy Blount, Ridley Pearson, Cathi Goldmark, Greg Isles and Roger McGuinn.

"When we tour, it's like a camp with my favorite writer, but writing never comes up," said Mitch Albom, author of "The Five People You Meet In Heaven."

"We mostly listen to Dave Barry telling booger jokes."

In their fantasy lives, they are rock stars. Not good rock stars maybe, but still rock stars.

"I have no talent ... I am the true rock bottom," said Scott Turow, author of "The Burden of Truth."

"For everyone else, it's a name. For me, it's an adjective."

The group will take the stage as rock stars at 7:30 p.m. at Clutch Cargo's in Pontiac



Above: The 'Rock Bottom' Remainers perform at an Inside Out charity concert earlier this year. Right: Best-selling author Dave Barry, a member of the Remainers, adds his vocals to the effort.

Saturday, Oct. 30 in an 18-and-older show to benefit the Inside Out Literary Arts Program.

Inside Out is a Detroit non-profit organization that places professional poets and fiction writers in Detroit Public Schools in order to increase literature, poetry and writing exposure in at risk students.

Tickets for the concert are \$35. VIP tickets, which

include meeting the band before the show, are available for \$150.

"This is the first year Inside Out Literary Arts and 'Rock Bottom' Remainers have done a benefit together," Inside Out Literary Arts Program Director Robert Fanning said.

"We hope to raise \$20,000," Fanning said. "We will divide that between Inside Out and

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America Score National Program."

The concert, sponsored by Borders, Starbucks, The Detroit Free Press, WJR Radio, Hyperion, Disney Hand, Gibson and Brilliance Audio, hopes to attract "booklovers and music lovers of all ages," said Fanning.

For tickets or information, call Clutch Cargo's at (248) 333-2362, or visit ticketmaster.com.



Political science prof retires after 44 years

By ROQAYA ESHMAWI
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Retiring from OU after 44 years, Shelly Appleton jokingly informed an audience of nearly 200 that he is running for president this year.

"The crowd from Washington, Maryland, North Carolina, California, Michigan and even Dubai, gathered Friday night to honor the distinguished professor of political science at his Last Lecture and Retirement Dinner.

"I have a surprise for you," Appleton said. "I didn't really ask you to come here just to mark my retirement, we asked you here to help launch my candidacy for the presidency."

The more serious part of his lecture focused on problems with the American political system.

"Instead of citizens choosing their representatives, their representatives are choosing their constituents," he said. "It makes the elections not very meaningful."

Most incumbents he said, worry most

about the primary, "where they have to appeal to party activists who are much more extreme on both sides than the general public, which is in the center."

This forces the public to make more extreme decisions, and Appleton said he feels that is one of the reasons "for polarization and the nastiness that we're seeing now in our political life."

Since the elections of 1948, Appleton said this year's election is the "nastiest campaigning" he has seen.

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Roqaya Eshmawi/The Oakland Post
Professor Sheldon Appleton embraces a former student. Appleton is retiring after 44 years of teaching at OU.

Despite reports, sex is safe in Detroit

By TRACY ESTES
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

Not only has the city of Detroit been labeled the fattest, it's also being called the STD capital of the nation.

Detroit came in dead last on a list of 101 of the largest cities in the nation for being the easiest place to catch an STD.

The information gathered for the article was based on data from 2002, taken from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Wende Berry, senior publicist for the Office of Public Information and Media Relations in Detroit for the Department of Health and Wellness Promotions said the article printed in Men's Fitness Magazine was absolutely true.

"That data was outdated and Detroit is not even close to being last on that list anymore," said Berry.

The major STDs the story was based on were Syphilis, Chlamydia and Gonorrhea.

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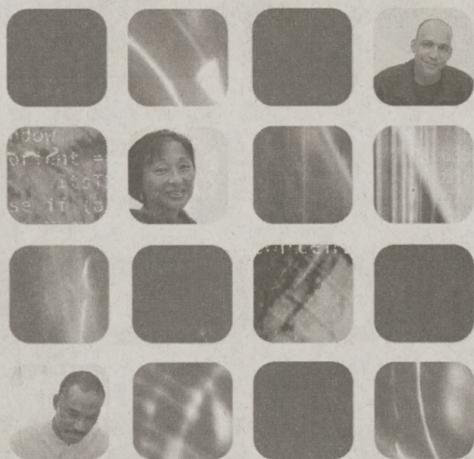
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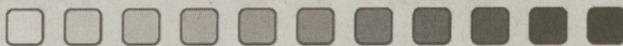
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Oh yes, President Bush insists he won't bring back the draft. But remember: this is the same

president who swore that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction. That Saddam was linked to 9/11. And that Iraqis would welcome us with open arms. He was dead wrong every time.

With George Bush stubbornly determined to go it alone, our allies won't join us. American troops will still be 90 percent of the "coalition." And 90 percent of its dead and wounded.

And the volunteer military will be a casualty of war.

So unless you like the idea of graduate school in Fallujah, we need to pay careful attention to what our president is saying, versus what it really means.

Now do you feel that draft?



Students geared up, ready to vote

By ANTHONY MARTINEZ BEVEN
THE OAKLAND POST

College students — ages 18 to 24 — are being viewed, by many, as an influential voting demographic. And with the presidential election less than a week away, OU students are boning up on their election studies.

One issue concerning students is the pos-

sibility of a draft if the president stays in office.

On Oct. 5, 2004, the House of Representatives voted down HR Bill 163. If such a bill had passed, it would have allowed for a draft to be reinstated.

Sophomore Ian Edmunds is voting to keep the president in office.

"Bush," he said. "He is by far the guy for the job. He does what he says he is going to

do. He doesn't waiver."

On the prospect of a draft — which is opposed by most OU students The Post spoke with — Edmunds said, "I think that's great. I'll fight for my country. I'll fight for everyone here."

Associate professor of rhetoric, Wally Anderson, called the draft a real possibility.

"There aren't sufficient military people to

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Panel discusses economy

By ANTHONY MARTINEZ BEVEN
THE OAKLAND POST

According to the latest national news polls, it's neck-and-neck between Republican incumbent President George W. Bush and Democratic challenger, Sen. John Kerry.

And college students — like most people — have been influenced by the half-truthed tons of political mumbo-jumbo spewed during this presidential horse race, but where do

they stand? Do they even know?

Nora Khemmoro, a senior of Iraqi descent, labeled herself a "big Republican," but when asked why, she didn't really know.

Fellow senior Josh Farris, an economics major, considers himself a Democrat, but he too, didn't really understand the basis for his political positioning. In fact, the only reason Farris is voting for Kerry is because he isn't Bush, he said.

Both — along with 30 other students in the same boat — attended a panel discussion

on the 'economics' of this very complicated voting season.

Last week, professors John Klemanski, Sherman Folland, Miron Stano and Ron Tracy, helped to read between the "he said's" of the candidates to get the issues at the corner of this election.

Healthcare was the first of the night's topics. Stano clearly spelled out Bush's plan — a "free enterprise" endeavor where people would set up medical saving accounts —

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America's domestic policy - the past four years

Bush said:

Higher education will be affordable for "every American," (Oct. 2000.)

Bush did:

AP reports that Bush proposes eliminating the \$67 million Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnerships plan, (Feb. 2002.)

New York Times reports the Bush administration proposes to tap \$1.3 billion from a federal student loan program to help ease the federal budget deficit, (April 2002.)

Bush proposes cutting \$200 million in educational aid to children in military families, (June 2003.)

Bush said:

He would champion more accountability in schools during his first presidential campaign.

Bush did:

He led the passage of the "No Child Left Behind" Act, 2001, but he subsequently cut the budget for the program by \$90 million.

Bush said:

He will "fully fund" the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program to help "low-income folks" pay for

their "high fuel bills," (Oct. 2000.)

Bush did:

Bush proposes reducing LIHEAP by \$300 million in fiscal year 2003, (Feb. 2002.)

Bush said:

His Medicare system will "understand that some seniors have to choose between food and medicine," (Nov. 2000.)

Bush did:

The White House estimates that "10 million seniors and persons, with disabilities have no prescription drug coverage," (Jan 2001.)

The Washington Post reports that Bush secures a prescription drug benefit program for senior citizens, (2003.)

Bush said:

Tax cuts will "encourage economic growth," and there should be no fear of budget deficits, (March 2001.)

Bush did:

Washington Post reports that Bush carries through with his tax cut plan, by reducing all tax rates. However, the 10 year surplus shrinks by \$4 trillion in Jan. 2002.

The Congressional Budget Office reports that the current federal deficit is \$413 billion, (Oct. 2004.)

Bush said:

More than \$2 trillion of the federal surplus is for Social Security, (March 2001.)

Bush did:

USA Today reports that Bush is "tapping Social Security taxes for other programs," despite claims that funds were used after Sept. 11, (Aug. 2001.)

The Wall Street Journal reports that Bush used the Social Security surpluses "to fund the government over the next two years" and that he plans to spend over "\$100 billion of Social Security funds in each of the following three years," (Feb. 2002.)

The House Budget Committee reports that Bush proposes to spend \$1.6 trillion of the Social Security Trust Fund on other government operations, over the next 10 years, March 2002.

Freedom of Speech, Thursday, Sept. 9, 2004 -

Police arrest more than 1,800 of about 500,000 people protesting the president and his policies in New York. Many

were jailed over 30 hours. A judge held the city in contempt and fined it \$1,000 per protester," according to Newsweek.

Unemployment, March, 2004

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that 2,447,000 have become unemployed since Bush took office.

The unemployment rate increased to 5.6 from 4.1 percent in 2001, for a total of 8,170,000 unemployed Americans.

The number of Americans with long-term unemployment increased to 1,871,000 from 675,000 in 2001.

Poverty, 2003 - The U.S.

The Census Bureau reports a count of 212,717 Americans, of which 5,888 Michiganders, were at or below poverty level. In 2000, the figures were 128,515 and 4,132 respectively.

Inauguration, 2000 -

Protesters disturb the traditional presidential walk to the White House. The president is driven there while his car is pelted with eggs.

Compiled by Roqaya Eshmawi,
Campus News Editor



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Britons want say in U.S. elections

Citizens of America's
closest ally and partner in
the war against Iraq voice their
opinions about the election.

By ROQAYA ESHMAWI
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

More than 14,000 people registered with England's Guardian newspaper to take part in a pro-Kerry anti-Bush campaign targeting American voters in Clark County, Ohio, a swing state.

The Guardian bought a list of registered voters, and encouraged its readers to send letters to undecided voters, promising to give out each contact only once.

Britons feel their views should be welcomed, because the U.S. election has worldwide impact and has affected their lives.

"If everyone in the world will be affected by this election, shouldn't everyone in the world have a vote," wrote columnist Jonathan Freedland in the Guardian.

"It may sound wacky, but the idea could not be more American ... the country was founded on the notion that human beings must have a say in the decisions that govern their lives," he said, mentioning "no taxation without representation."

One of the letters published on the site, written by philosopher Richard Dawkins, pleads to Americans to "vote against Bin Laden's candidate."

"The world is a better place without Saddam. No doubt it is.

"The world would be a better place without George Bush,

but that doesn't justify an assassination attempt," he also said.

Novelist John Le Carre wrote, "Dear Clark County voter. Give us back the America we loved. Probably no American president in all history has been so universally hated abroad as George W. Bush..."

The Guardian has been active in an anti-Bush pursuit. It has published numerous anti-Bush editorials as well as an article last Sunday about how the president's anti-abortion policies are turning away Republican women voters.

It also published an article last Thursday citing CNN's interview with Pat Robertson, the founder of the Christian Coalition, in which he criticized the president's declaration of war against Iraq.

Robertson claims that Bush told him there would be no casualties in Iraq.

According to CNN, White House press secretary Scott McClellan denies Bush said this.

The Guardian also mentioned a Web site, bushrelativesforkerry.com, created by six of the president's second cousins, urging Americans not to vote for him.

At the end of this month, a group of Guardian journalists plan to travel to Ohio to meet voters and watch the election close.

For more information, please visit:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/g2/story/0,,1330388,00.html>

Election 2004 WRAP

• It is illegal, under federal law, for pollsters to call individuals on their cell phones, because a cell phone call may cost the receiver money.

• President Bush recently won the Weekly Reader poll.

The only state Kerry won in the poll was Maryland, and many of the East coast states were in doubt.

Bush also won 60 percent of the kids' poll.

• President Bush's largest rally drew around 30,000 supporters at the Jacksonville Jaguars' Alltel Stadium in Florida last Saturday.

The rally included cheerleaders, daytime fireworks and a performance by country singer Aaron Tippin.

• A poll initiated by Canada's Quebec-based La Presse "has highlighted strong opposition to the Bush re-election campaign," according to the Fairfax Digital, an Australian-based newspaper. Ten leading newspapers around the world took part in the exercise.

• Eight of the 10 countries that

took part in the poll preferred Sen. Kerry over President Bush, "with huge margins in France, Canada and Spain," according to Fairfax Digital.

Bush was preferred in Russia (52-48) and Israel (50-24.)

• In most of the countries surveyed, attitudes towards the U.S. had deteriorated over Bush's first term. In Britain, 45 percent said their attitude had worsened, in France 70 percent, in Canada 45 percent, in South Korea 67 percent, in Japan 74 percent and in Australia 54 percent.

In Israel, however, 40 percent said their attitude towards the U.S. had improved over the past two or three years.

• Majority opinion in all countries, except for Israel, is firmly against the U.S.-led war.

Fifty five percent of Australians said, in July, that the war was not justified.

Spain, France, Mexico and South Korea presented the strongest opposition to the war.

Compiled by Roqaya Eshmawi,
Campus News Editor

MEDIA
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Because the media is not providing its viewers with unbiased and objective reporting, Shine said Americans are increasingly turning to satirists for news coverage. "All the real news is doing is repeating what the White House wants them to say in the first place," said John Klemanski, chair of the political science department. Some satire requires previous

knowledge on the issue, he said. "You need to know if people are making fun of George W. Bush for being dumb. He is dumb," Shine said. Klemanski agreed. "George can come off as a dope in the satires, but he can do it in real life, too." So when it comes to presidential debates, Shine said viewers should decide how they feel about them, rather than wait for a media analysis or a political satire. "Nobody who watched them

has an idea in hell who won the debates ... they're getting big bucks to tell you who won ... you look at the debates, you decide who won," he said. Klemanski said that Democratic Senator John Kerry "was the clear winner of the [presidential] debates." "The president was scared; he did poorly," he said. But the media called the debate a "draw." Shine said that the public is not finding what it's looking for in

mainstream media, which is "more truth and less surveying by editors and reporters to appear fair." Lewis also said that the public only saw the aftermath of Sept. 11. "We did not actually see the planes crash ... it seemed like we did," he said. All the images of planes "were one plane ... transformed by the press effect in to 1000 images and those images affect us." The way the media chose to frame Sept. 11, he said, "served the media audience and the terrorists."

However, Klemanski said that although "frames can be important," the public does not always accept the frame. "Some of us are more susceptible to the frame than others." Shortcuts the public takes can include the candidate's party affiliation, ideology (liberal, moderate, conservative), newspaper endorsements and physical attributes. Today's media is just like it was in the 1950s and '60s, Shine said. The editor would tell the reporter how

long the story had to be. If one candidate received 12 inches of print, so would the other. "Never mind that the dope did nothing or said nothing," Shine said. With the media "it's not a question of being fair as much as it was of appearing fair ... nothing has changed," he said. The issue of The Detroit Free Press that morning had two columns, one in support of Kerry and one in support of Bush, Klemanski said.

STD
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According to the Men's Fitness article, the Motor City is now the easiest place for an STD to hitch a ride. But according to the morbidity and mortality data for the city of Detroit, there has been a 34 percent decrease in Syphilis cases, a 31 percent increase in Chlamydia cases and a 39 percent increase in Gonorrhea cases for Detroit since 2003. "Michigan ranks seventh in the nation for Gonorrhea and sixth for Chlamydia," said Berry. "That means there are six other states with more

cases of Gonorrhea and five states with more cases of Chlamydia than Michigan. There's no way Detroit is the highest city." 2002 was a bad time in Detroit for Syphilis. "We had a crisis with Syphilis," said Dawn Jackson, Syphilis elimination coordinator for the State of Michigan. "But it was taken care of and we did see a dramatic decrease." There has been a 46 percent decrease in cases since 2002 "when we started the T.E.S.T. program (treating and eliminating Syphilis today) for handling Syphilis," Berry said.

Since 2002, the Michigan Department of Community Health Epidemiologist and Syphilis Elimination Team handle all data and cases for the entire southeastern Michigan area. "We collect data and it goes straight to the CDC," said Berry. "That's how we know our numbers are right and how we know [Men's Fitness Magazine] numbers are wrong." Among other STDs, the HIV mortality rate and the number of new HIV infections in Michigan has not changed significantly over the last five years, according to a report on the status of the HIV/AIDS epidemic for 2003.

The city of Detroit had sent an editorial to The Detroit Free Press as a rebuttal to the magazine's article. "The article (in Men's Fitness) was tabloid science at its finest," said Berry. The editor of Men's Fitness Magazine was unavailable for a comment on the article and their safe sex city list. "They should have called us and we would have given them the correct information," said Berry. "It's avail-

able online at www.detroitmi.gov/health. Detroit gets picked on a lot." The leading diseases in the city of Detroit are diabetes and cardiovascular disease, "not sexually transmitted diseases," she said. The city has started a new program for education, counseling and testing at the Wayne County Jail, the 36th district court and all the Detroit Police Department precincts. There are 40 different types of STDs. "We encourage anyone who has had unprotected sex to get tested," said Berry.

OUSC
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Freshman Elyse Hyde said she thinks OUSC would rather have students "vote blindly" on the issue than educate them about why they should vote that way. Hyde said she wishes OUSC would have stated what Proposal 2 says and then presented both sides. Another student expressed concern that money from the Student Activity Fees was being used to support this resolution. OUSC President Jonathan Parks encouraged students to talk with legislators or visit the congress office to learn more about Proposal 2. Freshman Brandon Glatfelter praised congress for passing the resolution and urging students to vote no on Proposal 2. "Thank you for passing resolution 05-05. I am very, very happy to see that you've done that," he said. Resolution 05-07, which permits congress to take part in an aggressive advertising campaign to inform OU students about

their position on Proposal 2, was passed 13-4 during the meeting. Legislators also approved Bill 05-17, which prohibits political advertisements endorsing any political figure, issue or political party being placed in the OUSC office, except for advertisements supporting a position congress has adopted via a resolution. Legislators appeared frustrated to be discussing Proposal 2 for the fourth straight meeting. "We are wasting our time ... let's move on," said legislator Sumeera Younis. "(This decision) is splitting congress in half so much that we can't talk about anything else that we need to do," said legislator Allison Cummings-Stuckman. Student Activity Funding Board (SAFB) Chair Charity Jones said students who are concerned about recent OUSC actions should get involved with congress and let their voices be heard. "If this is important, if you want to see change ... get an application, join congress and

that's how you can make your change," Jones said. **In other news:**
• Nov. 2 is ELECTION DAY.
• Stefanie Marshall was awarded the Student of the Month parking spot for the month of November.
• Jones apologized on behalf of the College Republicans for inappropriate chalking on campus.
• Fast-a-Thon is October 28.
• College Republicans are collecting donations for hurricane victims.
• College Democrats are having a T-shirt making party today.
• The last day of the blood drive is today.
• This week is cyber awareness week and alcohol awareness week.
• The new OUSC Web site is done and will be launched this week.
• Scholarship applications are available in the OUSC office.
• OUSC will meet again next Monday at 4 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the OC.

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VOTE 2004

Bush, Kerry battle for MI

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

With less than a week until Election Day, candidates are stepping up their efforts in key battleground states.

Both President George W. Bush and Sen. John Kerry, have made stops through Michigan in the past, and the final week will be no different.

In Kerry's latest attempt to gain Michigan votes, he spoke at a rally of more than 10,000 people Monday evening at Macomb Community College's South Campus in Warren.

Officials said an additional 5,000 to 6,000 people had to be turned away due to lack of space.

Artist Jon Bon Jovi and Democratic leaders Gov. Jennifer Granholm and UAW President Ron Gettelfinger turned out to show their support as Kerry spoke about the economy and unemployment.

"Are you ready to put America back to work in jobs that pay more than the jobs you're losing

overseas?" Kerry asked the crowd.

This marks Kerry's ninth Michigan stop since Feb. 2004 and he is expected back in Michigan on Saturday.

As Kerry was speaking Monday, a similar, but much smaller rally was being held at the First Unitarian Universalist Church in Detroit.

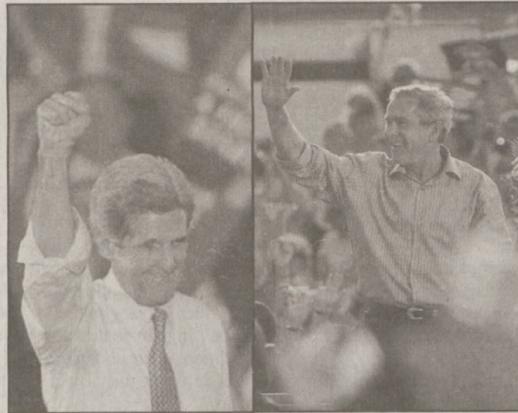
There, a crowd of about 100 people listened as independent candidate Ralph Nader criticized both the Democratic and the Republican candidates and accused them of illegally trying to keep him off of the ballot.

Recent polls show Nader winning about two percent of Michigan's popular vote.

Bush is also hot on the trail for Michigan's 17 electoral votes.

He will hold a rally tonight at the Pontiac Silverdome and Thursday morning at the Dow Event Center in downtown Saginaw.

Tickets are required for the events but they are free and available at 11 Republican campaign sites statewide. For tickets, call 248-356-6040.



Sen. John Kerry spoke to a crowd of 10,000 at a rally at Macomb Community College in Warren, Monday. President George W. Bush will speak tonight at the Pontiac Silverdome and tomorrow in Saginaw.



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The power of silence

The flying yellow ribbons, the president boasting about our "mission accomplished" and the symbolic toppling of the Saddam statue in Baghdad; these are the images of the war in Iraq we get here, at home.

But what about the images we don't see? Where are the photos of the 1,105 flag-draped coffins of fallen American soldiers? Where are the images of the more than 13,000 Iraqi civilians that have been killed since the official 'end of the war'?

More importantly, where aren't they? They are not on the front page of The New York Times or airing on CNN.

This is because in March 2003, on the eve of war with Iraq, the Pentagon ordered an end to all photographs and media coverage of ceremonies for the returning remains of soldiers killed overseas. This act of censorship enforced a military-wide ban on images of flag-draped caskets that dated to early 2000, but was not strictly followed.

In a nation that is being fed pro-war and anti-terrorist propaganda, there is little factual evidence to back up the claims that we, or anyone, are winning.

That's because no one is winning. We hear the echoing "light at the end of the tunnel," how the administration underestimated the determination of the enemy and the optimistic premonitions that seem to clash with the facts - all reminiscent of Vietnam.

But Iraq is different from Vietnam in one fundamental respect: An ample population of Americans was in the streets protesting Vietnam because they saw the horror, the resistance, the failure.

There are those who are trying to get Americans to open their eyes to these same images being captured today, but they are being silenced.

In April, Kuwait-based cargo worker Tami Silicio, was fired by a military contractor after a photograph she took of flag-draped coffins of U.S. soldiers was published in The Seattle Times.

Silicio said she had hoped the photo of the 20 decorated coffins would show relatives of soldiers killed in Iraq that their loved ones' remains were being treated with respect and devotion.

William L. Silva, president of Maytag Aircraft Corp, the contractor that fired her, said there were "very specific concerns" relating to the photo. He declined to identify the Pentagon's concerns but said Silicio violated federal rules.

Even more disturbing is reporter Fassihi, a Wall Street Journal former and Middle East correspondent, who wrote in a personal e-mail about the daily struggles of being in Iraq.

"One could argue that Iraq is already lost beyond salvation. For those of us on the ground, it's hard to imagine what, if anything, could salvage it from its violent downward spiral. The genie of terrorism, chaos and mayhem has been unleashed onto this country as a result of American mistakes and it can't be put back into a bottle," the e-mail read.

The e-mail, and its message of a painfully bleak but clearly heartfelt outlook at Iraqi morass, circulated and spread across the Web.

Reports said Fassihi was advised to not write anything else about Iraq until after Nov. 2, Election Day, but The Wall Street Journal said she is on a "long, scheduled vacation outside of Iraq and has no plans to do work at that time."

When asked if she was free to write about Iraq if she chose to, the same reply followed.

Fair-minded readers can read into that at their own discretion.

So how does this end? Without now, not later, or "stay on course" and look for the "light at the end of the tunnel."

I've never seen the jungles of Vietnam or the oil wells of Iraq, but I have learned a painful lesson as a citizen. The government sometimes lies to its people - lies with great consequences - and if the people cannot find the truth for themselves, there will be no victory ahead, only that too-familiar sense of shame that the nation has grown accustomed to.

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Prop. 1, 2: What they say & mean

Proposal 1

The language:
A proposal to amend the State Constitution to require voter approval of any form of gambling authorized by law and certain new state lottery games.

This proposal would:
•Require voter approval of any form of gambling authorized by law after January 1, 2004.

•Require voter approval of any new state lottery games utilizing "table games" or "player operated mechanical or electronic devices" introduced after January 1, 2004.

•Provide that when voter approval is required, both statewide voter approval and voter approval in the city or township where gambling will take place must be obtained.

•Specify that the voter approval requirement does not apply to Indian tribal gaming or gambling in up to three casinos located in the city of Detroit.

Critics say:
•The state's school aid fund will dwindle if the lottery is not allowed to expand.

•The measure would write a monopoly into the Constitution.

Supporters say:
•It would give voters choices on gambling expansions.

•It would stop the attempts of expanding gambling through 'racinos'-racetrack and casino hybrids.

Proposal 2

The language:
A proposal to amend the state constitution to specify what can be recognized as a "marriage or similar union" for any purpose.

This proposal would:
•Amend the state constitution to provide that "the union of one man and one woman in marriage shall be the only agreement recognized as a marriage or similar union for any purpose."

Critics say:
•Would affect heterosexual partners who have chosen not to marry but are united for all intents and purposes in a loving relationship with ties just as strong.

•Would knock out benefits already granted by private companies or universities that duplicate benefits accorded to married couples.

•Would block a partner's right to inherit, or to make a critical medical decision in a life-or-death situation.

Supporters say:
•Will secure in our state constitution what is already state law.

•Will protect one-man, one-woman marriage.

•It protects, encourages and upholds the social ideal of what's best for children: having a mother and a father.

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OFFICIAL BALLOT
GENERAL ELECTION, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2004
OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN
ROCHESTER HILLS CITY
PRECINCT 30C-11

TO VOTE: Complete the ballot by marking your choice(s) with a single bold line, as shown.

IMPORTANT: Use only a #2 pencil or the marking pen provided. DO NOT USE RED INK!

PARTISAN SECTION: To vote for a candidate, mark the name of that person in the blank space provided and complete the ballot. This must be done even if you cast a straight party vote. Do not cast a write-in vote for a person whose name is already printed on the ballot for this office.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES: To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write or stamp the name of that person in the blank space provided and complete the ballot. This must be done even if you cast a straight party vote. Do not cast a write-in vote for a person whose name is already printed on the ballot for this office.

When you have completed voting, place the ballot in the secrecy sleeve so that votes cannot be seen and the numeric code is visible. Return the ballot to the election official stationed at the table. If voting by absentee ballot, follow the instructions provided by the clerk for returning the ballot.

NOTE: If you make a mistake, return your ballot to the election official and obtain a replacement ballot. Do not attempt to erase any marks made on any ballot.

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REPUBLICAN PARTY	SUSAN LICATA PARSONS	PROPOSAL 2
DEMOCRATIC PARTY	PAUL C. HILLEGONDS	COUNTY
GREEN PARTY	TINA ABBOTT	COUNTY EXECUTIVE
U.S. TAXPAYERS PARTY	ANNETTA MILLER	PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
LIBERTARIAN PARTY	MARGARET GUTTSALL	SHERIFF
NATURAL LAW PARTY	PHILIP A. ADAMS	COUNTY CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS
MEMBER OF THE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES	JERRY JANKE WCC	COUNTY TREASURER
WALTER BROWN	THOMAS W. JONES	DRAIN COMMISSIONERS
MARY ALICE HERBERT	KATHLEEN CAKFOORD	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JOHN EDWARDS	MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION	COUNTY CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS
DAVID COBE	WANDY DANNOFF	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PATRICIA A. LAMARCHE	ROBERT W. DEART	COUNTY CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS
MICHAEL ANTHONY PEROUTKA	MARJANNE TARED ACQUIRE	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Further, elected or appointed partisans, rather than impartial civil servants, run elections in most states.

"That facilitates cheating, it provokes suspicion and it encourages anger and division," Appleton said.

He cited the 2000 presidential election in Florida which showed "the person running the election can be the co-chair of the campaign for one of the candidates."

He also said that the U.S. political system is corrupted by money from special interest groups.

Appleton also discussed Social Security. "The money we pay for Social Security is not really put aside in an account for you, it's being spent, along with all your other tax dollars."

Despite what the presidential candidates are saying, Appleton said that there's no way to solve the issue, without cutting benefits, raising taxes or the retirement age, or a combination of the three.

Another problem he discussed was

health care. "I've heard lots of great promises about what we'll do for folks who need medical care ... but I haven't heard much about how we're going to fund those promises without raising taxes or going into even deeper debt," he said.

Touching on education, Appleton said that as long as it is funded mostly at the local level, "we continue to leave children behind and we're going to keep leaving children behind."

The rest of his lecture, in which he included some humor, garnered laughter from the audience.

"My fellow Americans, as you may have guessed I have a plan ... based on the free marketplace and a total transparency," he said.

"Unlike my opponents ... I'm not only going to cut taxes, I'm going to eliminate them."

Instead of holding "meaningless elections," Appleton proposed auctioning all public offices to the highest bidder and placing the money in the public treasury.

Senators would no longer come from Michigan or California, he said, but "from General Motors [and

Microsoft," and governors would come "from Enron."

"Some people would say with what we know, my plan would go right out into the open," he said.

So, he said, "vote Appleton, onward to victory in November."

Appleton also discussed issues on a more personal level.

He has seen many OU students, he said, who work hard, but struggle because "of the lack of small amounts of money." He has come across students who could not afford books for class.

Appleton helped his students as much as he could.

"One thing I regret is that I won't be here in the future to find ways to try and help these students any more, so Betty [his wife] and I want thank you, the many of you who contributed to this endowment."

In Appleton's honor, OU created the Betty and Shelly Appleton Critical Difference Endowment, to support students in political science, public administration, music, theatre and dance.

The couple will be on the committee

and Appleton said the process to apply for a grant would not be a tedious one for students.

He also thanked his wife for managing to raise "four of the most wonderful children alive," while "putting up" with him.

Appleton expressed appreciation for his students, saying that both students and professors contribute to the class environment. "One thing I've learned, it's not just me, it's the class."

Appleton reviewed all of his class lists and said he invited those who made his "classes go."

"Yours is a name that immediately brought a face ... into my mind and I really appreciate you coming."

Appleton's journey with OU began a little over 45 years when he and Betty were studying at the University of Minnesota.

He read an article in The New York Times about a new university preparing to open in southeast Michigan, where every student would be required to study societies that were not "Western."

"As someone preparing to be a China specialist, I thought this would be a great opportunity for me," he said.

He wrote to Woody Varner, who wrote back inviting him to "come down and take a look."

Appleton discussed the issue with his advisors in the political science department who told him that he didn't "want to go there."

He told his advisors he wanted to go, and they told him to promise he wouldn't take a job.

If he was offered a job, his advisors said he should ask for an "off the wall" salary, for assistant professorship and for benefits.

He traveled to Michigan and met with the dean and Varner, who asked him what it would take to bring him to the university.

"I recited the stuff that my advisors had told me to say," Appleton said, and Varner agreed. "And I was just totally flustered, which he could see." After some thought, Appleton accepted.

"Anything that I did that helped at Oakland University had a lot to do with the people I worked for and worked with," he said.

The Last Lecture is traditionally a lecture that professors give as they retire from OU.

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then, Kerry's plan, which "expands on traditional forms of health care."

One of those extensions will include health care for children under the age of 18 who can't afford coverage.

"What is the proper role of government? What do we want government to do and not to do?" Klemanski, chair of the political science department said. "If you are under the age of 18 and can't provide for

yourself, should you have healthcare?"

When compared with Bush's plan, Tracy said Kerry's plan will insure more people, but said total expenditure of Kerry's plan has to be considered, too.

Education — a topic addressed at all three presidential debates — was also discussed by the panel.

"There's no doubt that both say they are committed to education," Tracy said of Bush and Kerry, but he was quick to point out that Bush "under-funded" the

'No Child Left Behind' initiative.

"Inner city schools have huge drop-out rates and the gaps between the haves and the have-nots will widen," Tracy said.

And on higher education, Kerry is "more interested in providing funds for it than Bush," Tracy said.

Folland made it very clear that he was voting Democratic this election.

Behind his reasoning: the war in Iraq.

"Are the benefits of this Iraq venture worth the cost?" Folland said.

"Do American lives matter?"

"They didn't really care if there were weapons of mass destruction, they were going to war anyway," Tracy said, who voted for Bush in the 2000 election.

Another topic touched on was taxes.

While Bush contends tax cuts went to the middle-class and poor, Folland said that economically-speaking "if you lower the tax-rate for the rich, you will make more money."

"Opportunities were squandered, and in retrospect, only

helped few groups of people," Tracy said.

The outsourcing of U.S. jobs — which has affected the job-situation of many Michigan residents — was defended by the panel.

Klemanski said "there is nothing the government can really do" when it comes to sending jobs overseas and to neighboring countries.

Tracy agreed.

"In the short-run, the halt of outsourcing may be good for the economy, but in the long-run you will lose competitive advantage," he said.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports the national unemployment rate is at almost six percent. Michigan ranked as the state with the largest-over-the-year employment decrease with the loss of over 52,000 jobs, primarily in the automotive industry.

The panel also discussed the environment (specifically, the growing pollution problem,) Medicare and Social Security.

The event was co-sponsored by the Women's Economic Society and the Economic Student's Association.

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cover what we need to be doing," she said. "College students should be worried and concerned about it. There isn't any issue you shouldn't be concerned about."

Interim Director of Journalism, Mike Lewis, said in his opinion, students are going to be voting on not only the war, but also the economy.

"College students are getting ready to graduate, and there's no jobs out there for them," Lewis said.

Brittany Christian, a sophomore, said she is supporting Kerry, because she is concerned

about Social Security.

"They say that it might not be guaranteed for my generation," Christian said.

Tamara Thorpe, also a sophomore, is voting Democratic this election too.

"We've had Bush for four years," Thorpe said, labeling Kerry "a much better candidate than Bush."

Thorpe is worried about things like taxes and health care, which is "becoming a bigger issue," along with Social Security.

"Over the past four years what Bush has done has gone downhill," she said.

While senior Joe Comflitti

said he doesn't agree with the way America went into Iraq — and called Bush's medical plan unrealistic — he is still voting for Bush.

"I'm going to be voting for Bush this election. One of the things I think he can do better than Mr. Kerry is defend our country better," Comflitti said. "Kerry lacks charisma and leadership qualities to take this country forward."

Michelle Kotter, an undergraduate journalism student, said even though she is undecided, she is "leaning more towards Kerry, because he seemed to put things more into perspective, as

where Bush was just kind of beating around the questions" in the third presidential debate.

Junior Diana Cheruvil could be considered a single-issue voter. That issue: abortion.

"As a woman, having choice is one of the most important things," she said, adding she feels if Bush is reelected he will try to take away that right. "I am going to be voting for John Kerry."

Karen Doerr, a senior, said with Bush there is no separation between church and state.

"It bothers me how Bush is making the norm Christianity. He is against gay marriages or

civil unions because of his religion. The whole war with Iraq thing bothered me too, because he turned it into us versus the Muslims," she said.

Doerr is voting for Kerry on Nov. 2.

Mousa Bahhur, political science major, said Kerry is just "too wishy-washy."

Bahhur said Bush is "experienced."

"I like his views better," he said. "I feel like he knows what he needs to do."

Derrick Jones, junior, is a first-time voter, and his vote is going to Kerry, who is "in the gear of creating some type of

positive change."

Bush isn't "a man of his word," Jones said.

"I already got a beef with the man for the past four years. The economic situation went bad. I know people in my neighborhood — I'm from Detroit — that basically had jobs, had bills to pay and got fired," he said.

Jones called Kerry "passionate," and is confident he will "get jobs, lower taxes and help the people that don't really got nothing."

According to the most recent voter polls John Kerry leads over George W. Bush in Michigan, a swing state.

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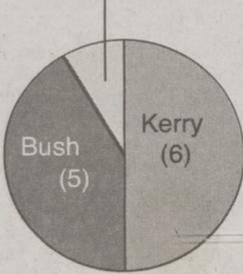
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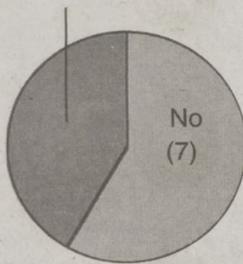
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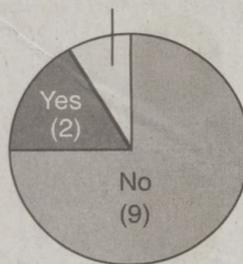
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Corrections: Legislator Donald Stuckey, not Doug Merriam, was the primary sponsor of OUSC Resolution 05-16, addressed in last week's OUSC story.
In last week's Campus News story on cheating trends, Assistant Professor of Accounting Anthony Cataldo's name was incorrectly spelled "Cataldor."

Election 2004 Special

Students make a case for each presidential candidate



**JOE
CULIK**

*Political
Science, Senior*

NADER

Ralph Nader is the only candidate for president who will bring the problems and contradictions of a corporate-dominated society out into mainstream debate. No Democrat or Republican candidate has consistently addressed the problems that result from a society controlled by

capital in the way that Nader has. Neither major candidate has expressed a genuine interest in democracy nor do they have a genuine concern for all people's rights as Ralph does.

American voters have been held captive by two false alternatives for too long.

We need a president who has a consistent record of standing up for all people — someone like Ralph Nader.

We need to end the illegitimate war on the Iraqi people, we need a living wage, we need health care for all Americans, we need just workplaces and all Americans need to be treated equally.

Ralph will work to make all these

things come true if he is elected president.

Today we are at a critical point in history and you have an opportunity to shape your future.

Both corporate-controlled political parties are taking our country over a cliff — the Democrats are just doing it a little slower.

There are political pundits who would tell you to accept the lesser of two evils, to support an overall pro-war, pro-corporate globalization party, and put your idealism on the shelf.

Many of us have reached a breaking point with the two-party system.

It either must be driven toward the people or driven out in the coming years.

We need a world where college tuition is free for all, not hiked every semester, where politics is activated by vision, not fear, where media is created by people, not corporations, where energy is produced more from the sun and less from oil, where business is driven by human need, not greed, and where foreign policy is dedicated to justice — not war.

A vote for Bush or Kerry is a vote for inequality and war. A vote for Ralph Nader is a vote for peace and justice.



**CHARITY
JONES**

*Political
Science, Senior*

BUSH

When I think of George W. Bush, I think of faith, character and integrity. I think of a man with strong conviction, a man who is not afraid to stand up for what he believes.

In the past weeks, as a member of Student Congress, I have been accused of

many things; I have been ridiculed and laughed at because I have made a stand for what I believe in.

I never realized how unpopular it is in this day, to have strong morals and to stick by them no matter what people say or think.

My experiences have given me a new respect for President Bush.

Unlike his opponent, he doesn't just say he believes in something, he actually takes a stand for what he believes, even when it's not well liked. He doesn't need a "global test" to see what is popular. He takes a stand because it is right, not because it's accepted.

George Bush is not a perfect man, but he is far more qualified for the position than his opponent. John Kerry's record in the Senate speaks for itself.

He is inconsistent; he changes his opinions like he changes clothes.

It's okay to change opinion in the legislature, the problem comes when you plan on taking that record to the White House.

America cannot be turned over to the hands of someone who is contradictory especially in the times we live in.

George W. Bush has proven time and time again to be a man with consistency and great resolve.

He has led this country through tough times, inheriting a deficit, enduring a terrorist attack, leading a war.

And today America is stronger than ever: the economy is on the rise, within the last 13 months, 1.9 million jobs have been added, Afghanistan just had elections and Iraq is soon to follow.

He initiated No Child Left Behind, which adds accountability to the school systems.

Besides all that, he kept his promise of restoring integrity back to the White House. George W. Bush is a great president and I consider it an honor to give him my vote on Nov. 2.



**MICHAEL
MCGUINNESS**

*Political
Science, Junior*

KERRY

On the basis of President George W. Bush's first term in office, that alone is ample reason to deny him a second term.

Thankfully, Democratic nominee John Kerry is a strong alternative that will serve our nation well as president.

John Kerry is the best choice to lead

America in these next four years. His service to our country, both on the battlefield as a soldier and in the United States Senate for 20 years, has equipped him well to serve as our new president.

Our current president, with disastrous consequences, has not adeptly carried out his duties.

Bush misled the American people in taking us to war with Iraq and, unfortunately, has mishandled the job of leading now that we are at war.

Repeatedly, the current administration has strained the trust of the American people and, perilously, the trust of the world community. President Bush has

violated our trust; we need a new president, John Kerry, to restore that trust.

On issue after issue, from economic growth to health care to education to environmental protection, Bush has mishandled them to the detriment of the American people.

Meanwhile, Kerry has laid out a comprehensive vision on each subject.

On top of that, John Kerry and John Edwards are working to help the middle and lower classes, which have been given the raw end of the deal from Bush and Cheney.

Four years ago, we were promised "a uniter, not a divider," from Bush. Yet, he

has led in the exact opposite manner. His misguided policies, conservative judicial appointments, partisan wedge issues and disregard for answering important questions have been completely divisive.

Help is on the way. John F. Kerry, a strong and thoughtful leader, is needed in the White House.

America, for the sake of our strength and security, cannot afford another four years of the same.

We should expect so much more from our president. Thankfully, on Nov. 2, we have the power to elect John Kerry and set the course for a stronger nation both at home and abroad.

EDITORIAL

Young voters could influence election

The right to vote is part of our nation's foundation.

Throughout our history individuals have fought, and even died, to maintain this fundamental right.

And around the world people are still dying for that basic right.

It's been more than 80 years since women in the United States were granted the right to vote and 40 years since African-Americans were given that right.

In the 1960s nearly 60 percent of the voting-age population voted during presidential election years.

In the 2000 elections barely 51 percent of the voting-age population cast their vote.

As a society, it seems we have forgotten the heroic feats of Americans such as Susan B. Anthony and Martin Luther King Jr. who gave everything for the right to vote.

This year, this alarming trend can be reversed.

Around the country, people have registered to vote in abnormally large numbers, which is an incredible and encouraging feat on its own.

Many of these individuals have been

students, a demographic category usually considered fundamentally lazy when it comes to voting.

At OU alone, more than 800 students registered to vote during the voter registration drives in September.

This year, that demographic has the potential to significantly impact the election. But to do that we all have to get out and vote on Tuesday, Nov. 2.

We don't fulfill our duty by merely registering, but instead we exercise our rights by showing up to the polls and casting a ballot.

This generation of 18-24 year olds has the chance to do something special and truly leave a mark, but not without the participation of every single registered adult in the demographic.

Make the efforts of this nation's forefathers, and the many people who have risked it all throughout this country's history, count on Tuesday.

Exercise your right in the political process.

Make your voice heard, and remember all of those who fought so hard just so we would have this most precious right.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I am writing to comment on the Point/Counter Point article in the 10/20/04 edition. This concerns the YES portion of the article by Mr. Joe Culik.

Mr. Culik states in his first paragraph "The government already provides Americans with rights to some things." He then proceeds to name some of those things.

First, I must disagree with him in that the government of the United States of America doesn't give its citizens rights. Rights are not granted by the government. Rights exist because all the people of this country recognize they exist.

The Constitution simply shows the federal government agrees we have rights and affirms that agreement in writing.

Second, though I do agree with his point that some individuals are limited in achieving economic prosperity due to numerous reasons, I must point out our governmental and economic systems, though not perfect, are the best to date in the

history of this world and will continue to get better as long as we all make an effort.

Finally, Mr. Culik states in his last paragraph "Some think the government shouldn't use its resources to ensure the economic security of its citizens." I just need to remind all of us of the fact that the government has no resources of its own. Its resources come from us.

I don't know how Mr. Culik feels when he receives his paycheck, but I can tell you when I get mine it's clear exactly how much I contribute to the government's resources.

I can also tell you it's too much! If Mr. Culik wishes to contribute additional amounts I applaud his initiative.

Though a better idea might be to contribute to some very deserving charities who are much more efficient at assisting people than the government.

Michael J. Rossi
Aquatic Coordinator
Department of Campus
Recreation

Dear Editor:

The decision of the Oakland University Student Congress to not support Proposal 2 is deeply offensive. This is not a matter for a school to deal with. The Student Congress assumes that the majority of the students do not support Proposal 2. They are very wrong. Everyone is entitled to his or her opinion and can vote however they choose. Many people lost a great deal of respect for OUSC because of this matter. Just as a school would not endorse a candidate, it should not endorse a Proposal either. As an OU student, you should be offended because the OUSC doesn't think you can decide for yourself on how to vote. I don't need the school telling me how to vote. I have a mind of my own and do not need to conform to the school's ideals.

Thank you,

Katie Koppin
Sophomore
Communications/Political
Science

Dear Editor:

Last week, in a conversation with one of my friends, I was asked why I am supporting President Bush.

There are vast differences between the president and his opponent.

On terrorism, Bush believes in staying on the offensive and targeting known terrorists and those that aid their cause across the globe, so that we do not have to face them here. Kerry has been giving inconsistent statements regarding how he would deal with the terrorist threat but has a consistent record of not supporting our defenses.

On taxes, Bush has given tax cuts to everyone. Period. Kerry wants to repeal recent tax cuts which would stifle economic recovery and further job creation.

On Social Security, Bush has proposed actual reforms to our current program, which is broken. Kerry wants to ignore problems that we know about and just throw more money at it.

On values, Bush's policies

promote an ownership society so that more Americans can have a vital stake in our nation's future. Kerry trusts government to regulate people's lives.

Strong, steady leadership in changing times. That's the President Bush I know.

Doug Merriam
Senior
Public Administration and
Public Policy

Dear Editor:

When you walk into the election booth next Tuesday, as individuals we must carefully consider what we are voting for.

There are clear distinctions between the two presidential candidates on issues specifically important to young people and our future.

Sen. Kerry's plan is business as usual for government programs, in particularly Social Security, health care and taxation.

President Bush on the other hand, has been the candidate who understands the changing

economy and is proposing a new direction for outdated programs.

Those of us as young people who want to control our own destiny and own more of what we work for have a clear choice on Nov. 2. A vote for George W. Bush is a vote for a safer America and a more opportunistic environment for future generations of Americans.

Brian Koss
Junior
Political Science

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For the RECORD 2004

Before you make your presidential selection, make sure you're familiar with the lyrics to their platforms.



Use this guide to determine what tune the top two presidential candidates are singing*

GEORGE W. BUSH

JOHN KERRY

Illustration courtesy KRT/Chuck Todd

Jobs

- Provide help for unemployed Americans, including extending unemployment accounts for displaced workers.
- Encourage job-creating investment in America by putting an end to double-taxation.

- End tax breaks for companies that move jobs overseas and use the savings to cut the corporate rate by 5 percent, providing a tax cut for 99 percent of taxpaying corporations.
- Raise taxes on Americans earning over \$200,000 a year.

Environment

- Strengthen the Clean Air Act through the passage of Clear Skies to improve air quality.
- Cut power plant emissions of nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, and mercury, the three worst air pollutants.

- Strengthen the Clean Air Act by plugging enforcement loopholes, reducing mercury emissions and stopping acid rain.
- Promote environmental justice by creating Environmental Empowerment Zones.

Social Security

- Ensures that the promise of Social Security is kept for current seniors and those near retirement.
- Proposes that Social Security will be permanently strengthened for children and grandchildren without raising payroll taxes.

- Opposes privatizing Social Security or raising retirement age.
- Intends to repeal discriminatory laws that penalize some retired workers and their families, while allowing others to receive full benefits.

War in Iraq

- Has a plan for Iraq self-government, which is being implemented by the Iraqi interim government.
- Help Iraq to rebuild its infrastructure and move toward free elections.

- Wants to secure more help from the international community to share the political, economic and military responsibilities of Iraq, so it becomes a responsible and respectable member of the community.

Civil Rights

- Wants to amend the Constitution to ban same sex marriages.
- Leaves civil unions up to the states to decide whether to allow them.

- Personally opposes same sex marriages, but does not want to amend the Constitution to ban them.
- Supports civil unions and wants to extend all federal benefits to same sex couples.

Affirmative Action

- Supports Affirmative Access, where high school graduates whose GPA was in the top 10% of their class are guaranteed admission to a state undergraduate institution.
- Believes that Affirmative Action leads people to question successful minorities.

- Supports Affirmative Action and believes it reduces discrimination and expands opportunity.

Patriot Act

- Supports the Act.
- Does not feel that it violates the Fourth Amendment.

- Supports the Act itself but would apply it differently so that people's rights would not be violated.

Abortion

- Opposes abortion (except in narrow cases of rape, incest or threat to woman's life)
- Supports partial-birth abortion ban.
- Supports increase of funding for abstinence-only education.

- Supports legal abortion and the women's right to choose.
- Voted against the Partial-Birth Abortion ban.
- Endorses family planning and health insurance plans that provide abortion counseling and contraceptive coverage.

Education

- No Child Left Behind sets test score goals for grades three through eight and awards more federal funding to schools that meet those goals.
- Wants states and local school boards to decide whether evolution should be taught in schools.

- Is against cutting funds to schools that do not support voluntary prayer in schools by the students.
- Voted in support of No Child Left Behind.

Health Care Plans

- Granted waivers and flexibility to states to extend eligibility under Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).
- Created a Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit to help seniors pay for their medicines.

- Has a plan to address the cost of health care that will cut premiums by up to \$1,000 and help insure an additional 27 million Americans who don't have health coverage.

Science

- Is strongly opposed to cloning
- Believes stem cell research offers great promise and great peril but that science needs to proceed with great care.

- Voted against a ban on human cloning and sponsored a bill to make human cloning legal.
- Supports stem cell research.

Profile: George W. Bush

Born: 7/6/1946 in New Haven, CT
Current Office: U.S. President
Religion: Methodist
Home City: Crawford, TX
Education: BA History, Yale University 1968, MBA Harvard University 1975

Political Experience:
 2000-Present President of the U.S.
 1994-2000 Governor of Texas
 1978 United States House of Reps. Candidate
Family: Wife- Laura Welch Bush; Daughters- Jenna and Barbara

Profile: John Kerry

Born: 12/11/1943 in Aurora, CO
Current Office: U.S. Senator
Religion: Roman Catholic
Home City: Boston, MA
Education: BA Political Science, Yale University 1966
 JD Boston College Law School 1976

Political Experience:
 1984-Present, U.S. Senator
 1983-1985 Lieutenant Governor, MA
 1972 Democratic Nominee, United States House of Representatives
Family: Wife- Teresa Heinz; Daughters- Alexandra and Vanessa; Step-sons John, Andre and Christopher

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Local haunts dress to chill

By ADAM BARK
THE OAKLAND POST

As students, many of us are too caught up in our midterms or work obligations to truly enjoy the fall months.

Because of that, we tend to ignore Halloween, one of the most commercially profitable holidays, second only to Christmas, according to the "Fear Finder" paper.

But many in Michigan refuse to let this trend continue. They are the Halloween "lovers" and seem to be determined to get the rest of us into the spirit.

In downtown Pontiac, 15 minutes from OU's campus, local entrepreneurs are taking this strategy to heart. Jim and Ed Terebus jointly own "Erebus," a four-story haunted attraction located on the corner of Walter and Perry. Less than two miles away, Denise Sieff runs the "Realm of Darkness."

These "hauntrepreneurs," as they are often called in the industry, realize just how important it is to stand out in this business.

In three counties alone: Wayne, Oakland and Macomb, there are between 50 and 70 professional haunted attractions, making Michigan one of the most competitive haunt markets in the nation. So the attitude at the area haunted attractions boils down to one point: get great or get out of the business.

The "Realm of Darkness" and "Erebus" have their similarities:



Adam Bark/The Oakland Post

At "Erebus," patrons should expect "no mercy" from the staff.

both offer concession stands, are spread over 30,000 sq. feet and both haunts take roughly 30 minutes to walk through. Both attractions see thousands of patrons each year.

The owners all agree their favorite part about owning a haunted attraction is to satisfy their customers.

Ed Terebus said his favorite part was "the chuckles of seeing someone get scared." Jim Terebus agreed, saying that the best part of owning a haunt was "seeing everyone coming out satisfied." Of course, in this industry making customers satisfied means getting them scared.

Down the street at the "Realm of Darkness," Sieff concurs, stating that her favorite part of being in the business is "knowing that I've done an excellent job and that everyone's happy when they walk out."

This is where the similarities

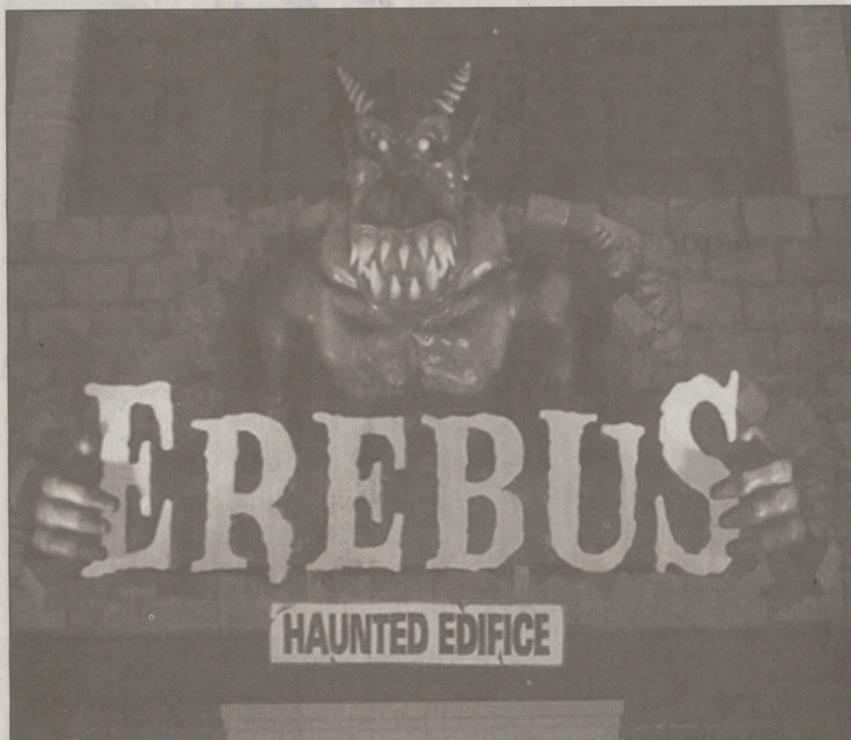
end. Every haunted attraction has a gimmick. "Erebus" and the "Realm of Darkness" are no exceptions. Like many other haunts, both locations have a storyline they follow.

At "Erebus," a mad scientist has found a way to travel back in time, and as a result, different time periods are now trapped inside the structure.

At the "Realm of Darkness," a powerful wizard has been imprisoned by evil forces and needs the patrons' help to free him.

The two attractions also differ in their scare tactics. As you travel through the various time periods of "Erebus," you get a more head-on attack. Actors swarm around most of the haunt, popping out of dark spots and giving you good startles.

There are also several scares where you can hardly tell that the actors are present.



Erebus (Pontiac)
Open Oct. 20-31
www.hauntedpontiac.com
(248) 332-7884

The Realm of Darkness (Pontiac)
Open Oct. 21-31
www.therealmofdarknesshaunt.com
(248) 338-0029

According to exit polling, these include: the Tesla Coil, which sends arcs of electricity through the room; the Elevator, which seemingly plunges you down several stories on a broken elevator; the Jungle, where rabid monkeys and a giant gorilla attack you through the canopy; and the favorite, Buried Alive, which does precisely what its name implies.

This haunt is definitely not for the claustrophobic.

The "Realm of Darkness" takes a slightly different approach, focusing much more on its storyline than on the actual scares. This attraction is more visual.

In one room, for instance, the

walls and furniture are made entirely of skeletons. In another, patrons are confronted by a group of demonic monks and are forced to exit the room via a hollowed-out coffin in the middle of the floor.

The startle scares are visually impressive as well, with large demons and werewolves, among other things, lunging out at customers in their journey through the castle.

A lot can be said for both haunts. "Erebus" offers its patrons more scares and more actors. They pride themselves on "showing no mercy" and the fact that some of their patrons can't make it all the way through the four-story attraction. They also

love the fact that some of their customers end up crying in fright.

As for the "Realm of Darkness," it is one of the most visually impressive haunts around. It offers a challenge and makes its customers think. For those who choose the correct doors and solve several other puzzles along the way, they get to meet the wizard and get a reward. The rewards include items such as pens, candles, shirts and gift certificates.

These are only two of the haunts in the area close to campus. But among the 50-70 attractions in southeast Michigan, there should be something for everybody.

'Singled Out' casts double win



Allison Brunner/The Oakland Post

The winners of "Singled-Out," Matt Rice, Fallon Bojanowski, Susan St. Germain and Chuck Weeden received gift certificates for a date.

By ALLISON BRUNNER
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

The ladies of Alpha Sigma Tau (AST) held their annual dating-game modeled after MTV's "Singled Out." Men and women showed up to the OC, Tuesday, Oct. 19, to win a date with a lovely bachelorette or a handsome bachelor.

For those who have never seen it, "Singled Out" is a dating show where a group of guys and a group of girls participate in question and answer rounds to find the best choice for a date with the bachelorette and bachelor. Both singles are kept in an isolation chair where they cannot see any of the contestants until their decision is made.

Bachelorette, Susan St. Germain, junior and nursing major, had seven guys competing on stage to win a date with her. Nine girls fought it out for bachelor, Matt Rice, senior and computer engineering major.

The single group of guys was up first. In the first round, St. Germain asked each single man two questions to get some ideas of their dreams, goals, characteristics and personalities. The bachelors impressed St. Germain with cute and witty answers. She asked one contestant what his ideal date would be and he replied with "Dairy Queen and a movie." Needless to say he did not make it to the next round.

St. Germain picked three boys to advance to the next round, where the AST host asked a question. The candidate whose response matched the bachelorette's answer, moved forward one heart. Two

contestants tied and forced the game into a sudden-death tie-breaker question: "How many boyfriends has the bachelorette had?" Freshman Chuck Weeden, business major, gave the closest answer and won the game, leaving the stage with a gift certificate to take his lovely bachelorette, St. Germain, out on a date.

Finally, it was the ladies turn to compete for a date with Rice. The same rounds occurred for the girls. The elimination process dwindled nine girls down to three.

Rice made his decision on which three to keep based on their answers to his questions. He asked one contestant to give him her best pick-up line and she replied with "Is that a mirror in your pocket, because I can see myself in those pants." She made it to the next round.

The host then proceeded with questions to all three girls and Rice. Fallon Bojanowski, a sophomore political science major breezed through those questions right up to the winner's circle. The competition was left in the dust.

The winners, Rice and Bojanowski, and St. Germain and Weeden, received gift certificates. Maybe a double date to T.G.I. Friday's is in the works.

At the close of the evening, AST's "Singled Out" seemed to be a success. In the past few years, the event had been cancelled for a lack of participation.

The turnout was not huge this year, but the popularity seemed to be catching on. So this time next year, keep an eye out for flyers about where you can sign up to be the next winner on "Singled Out."

Sorority aims to help community

By MARY MCKAY
THE OAKLAND POST

While reality shows and self-promoting television hosts vie for ratings and glory, some real life heroines walk quietly among us.

OU's Zeta Phi Beta sorority consists of five African American women, a group small in number but large in heart.

The "Zetas," as they are referred to around campus, have a mission to continually involve themselves in new community projects.

"The sorority is about helping people through scholarships and volunteer events," said Letitia Clara, senior, the sorority's treasurer and a communications major. "You have to be dedicat-

ed and your heart has to be in it in order to get something out of it. I feel like we are all our brother's keeper."

The "Success by Six Baby Shower" for low-income mothers was the most recent undertaking for the Zetas. This giant annual baby shower was held at the Pontiac Silverdome in September. For this event, attended by several hundred young parents and their families, the Zeta Phi Betas volunteered their time and effort helping with the function. Part of the baby clothing donated for the shower came from The Stork's Nest, a national program allowing low-income mothers to receive baby clothing and infant items. The Stork's Nest is open year round and has a location in Pontiac.

Doris Woods, who is president of the Zeta Phi Beta graduate chapter in Pontiac and runs The Stork's Nest, says "The Zetas do a lot of things with us."

The projects and organizations they have volunteered for include: the American Cancer Society, the Relay for Life, the Stork's Nest, the Walk for Warmth (a project that helps people pay for their utilities), a stroke workshop, a workshop for African American women suffering from depression and tutoring elementary school children.

Zeta Phi Beta was founded in 1920 at Howard University in Washington D.C. Michigan's first chapter began in 1983 with OU starting theirs in 1987.

Sharita Storks, junior and president of the OU Zeta chapter, is a human resources major. "The Zetas helped steer me toward human resources," she said. "They have had a great impact on me with regard to volunteering. I never did any volunteer work before."

The sense of gratification that comes from volunteering and helping others is a common

theme with the Zetas. Echoing her sorority sister's sentiment, Kathleen Burks, secretary of the Zetas and biology major, says she knows now that she wants to work with people.

"I want to give something back to the community. Before I joined the Zetas, I never participated in anything to help with the community," she said.

Shaquilla Myers, historian of the chapter and a physical therapy major who wants to work with burn victims, says that being in the sorority has given her more people skills.

Her favorite event is the annual Scholarship Ball usually held the first Saturday in December.

Two scholarships are given to OU students, and dinner and dancing are provided free of charge.

"I learned to enjoy helping others through the community service that I became involved in because of the Zetas," said Star Thomas, senior, vice president and a health science major.

Her favorite event is the Christmas program "Adopt a Family."

"We adopt a needy family for Christmas by providing food and gifts for them.

Otherwise they would go without. We spend our own money for this so that they are able to have a happy Christmas," Thomas said.

The Zeta Phi Beta sorority is determined to make a difference in the lives of people who need help. Through their example, they challenge OU's community to do the same.

For more information on
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Zeta Phi Beta events,
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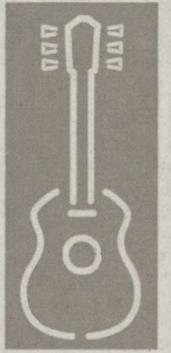
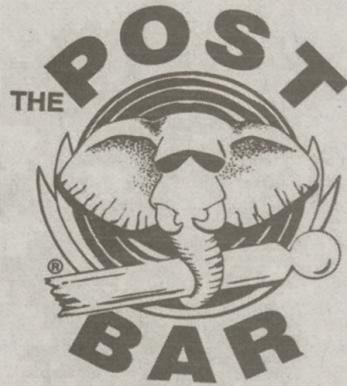
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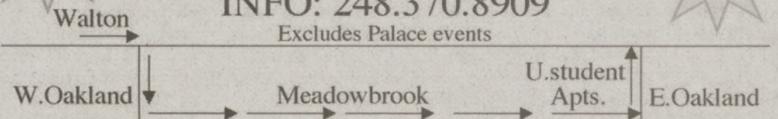
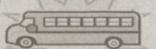
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On the night of September 2nd, 2004, a devastating fire at the world-renowned Anna Amalia Library in Weimar, Germany, destroyed or severely damaged most of the library's irreplaceable and invaluable treasures of paintings, music and literature collections, including handwritten originals of many world-famous composers and the original transcript of the Martin Luther Bible. The proceeds of this concert, sponsored by Goethe Haus Michigan, Goethe Institut Chicago and Oakland University will be donated to Anna Amalia Library.

Acclaimed soprano Shirley Close and pianist Sharon Johnson will perform this evening. Ann Willison Lemke will give an introduction to the library and the music. The concert features wonderful lyrics written by women composers of the 18th and 19th century to accompany poems of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe. Some of the songs performed in the concert belong to the destroyed collection. Included are compositions by Duchess Anna Amalia - founder and supporter of the world-famous library in Weimar - Bettina von Arnim, Clara Schumann, and many more.

Dance moves

Drama and comedy will be part of the EDE dance program Saturday

By ANDREA MCNINCH
THE OAKLAND POST

The critically acclaimed Eisenhower Dance Ensemble (EDE) and New York City's Amy Marshall Dance Company (AMDC) are performing "On the Move," a contemporary dance program, at Varner Recital Hall on Saturday, Oct. 30.

The "On the Move" performance will feature everything from drama to comedy and is being described as "an eclectic program of dance ... an electrifying dance experience."

"I don't think anyone will walk away unmoved," said Laurie Eisenhower, founder of EDE, professor of dance and program director at OU.

During the prelude, guest dancers are given the opportunity to perform and the audience is invited to ask the artistic directors questions concerning EDE or the evening's performance.

"OU is a natural place to do this because of the large student population in the audience," Eisenhower said.

EDE was founded locally by Eisenhower in 1991 and is considered to be one of the Midwest's finest dance companies.

OU provides EDE with rehearsal

space and allows them to perform annually at Varner Recital Hall.

"Having a professional dance company in residence at OU provides the students with performance and mentorship opportunities with professional dancers," Eisenhower said.

During Saturday's performance, EDE will share the stage with AMDC, a recently formed dance company from New York, made up of seven dancers known for their energy and innovation.

"The show should have a wonderful variety of dances," Eisenhower said. "There will be three choreographers represented and two companies of dancers ... There should be something for everyone."

Eisenhower's company has been doing "split" performances for 10 years and in January, EDE will travel to New York and share the stage with AMDC. Hence the title "On the Move," Eisenhower said.

On Saturday, each company will perform three dances. EDE will be performing "Long Way Round," "Night Music" and "Bolero."

"Long Way Round" and "Night Music" were choreographed by Eisenhower and "Bolero" was choreographed

by Steven Iannoccone, EDE's guest choreographer.

"I choose dances based on presenting a variety of different types of repertory," Eisenhower said.

Eisenhower feels OU students shouldn't miss this year's performance of "On the Move" because "the choreography in this concert is wonderfully accessible and exciting."

Also that night, immediately following Saturday's performance, is a new event sponsored by EDE's board of directors, "Dessert with the Dancers." This was created so EDE's audience can get to know the company.

"Audience building is a way to bring the dancers to the public," Natalie Bruno, EDE's administrative assistant said.

EDE's performance of "On the Move" is part of the Professional Artist Series that is created each year by OU's Department of Music, Theatre and Dance.

"This is a good experience for students and the community," Linda Curatolo publicist for the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance said. "People that appreciate dance are able to attend right here in their community."

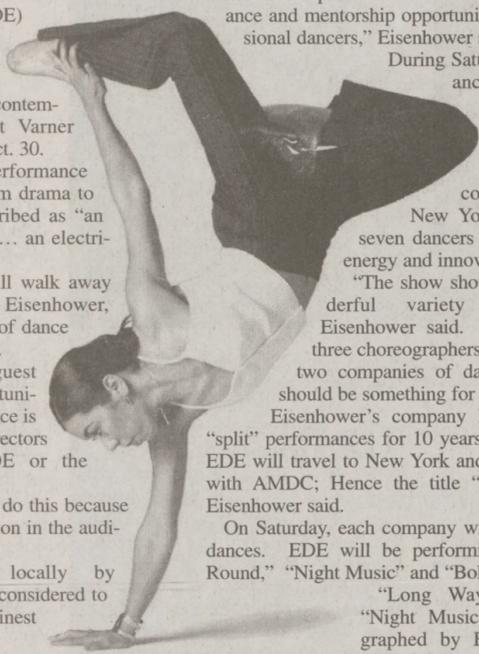
The program will begin at 8 p.m., but ticket holders are encouraged to arrive 30 minutes early to take advantage of the Concert Prelude that EDE offers its audience before each performance.

Tickets for Saturday's performance are \$8 for students, \$15 for adults and \$12 for seniors.

There is an extra fee of \$15 to attend "Dessert with Dancers," which covers appetizers, drinks and contributes to their fundraising program.

Photo courtesy of Eisenhower Dance Ensemble

Dancers from EDE will perform an eclectic dance program in Varner Recital Hall Saturday.



Have a 'toasty' breakfast Opinion

By ANDREA MCNINCH
THE OAKLAND POST

Excuse me everyone! Can I have your attention please? I dedicate this TOAST to "Fashionable" Ferndale for housing one of the best breakfast joints in southeast Michigan.

Breakfast alternatives don't seem to exist in Metro Detroit. I don't know about you, but my taste buds have grown tired of the usual breakfast choices such as: IHOP, Big Boy or the typical Coney Island/diner style breakfast.

My endless search for anything close to a culinary inspired breakfast led me to Ferndale and into a restaurant called, "TOAST: A Breakfast & Lunch Joint."

TOAST is located on Woodward in Ferndale, where it cozily sits in an old brick strip mall and is reminiscent of a diner turned "Fashionable" Ferndale.

Inside, the two main walls are painted a piercing red color.

One wall is decorated with purchasable paintings and the other displays a museum of antique toasters, adding a retro inspired nuance to the already chic atmosphere.

As for seating, there is a dining bar located off the kitchen, as well as booths and tables, but the dining area itself is very cramped. On the weekend expect to wait at least 30 minutes before being seated.

During the weekend rush there is nowhere to wait except in a small aisle between dining patrons. The wait staff maneuvers plates of freshly prepared food through the anxiously waiting

crowd and as you're standing there, dodging hot plates, you feel like you're literally standing over them, watching them eat.

But all it took was one glance at the plated food whizzing past my head and the wait suddenly became a mission — I had to try this food.

I was finally seated and to my surprise the waiter was very friendly and delivered prompt service despite the obvious chaos.

Their weekend menu includes breakfast-only and is absolutely awe-inspiring. You have your choice of various egg preparations including: frittata (an Italian omelet), poached, scrambled, fried or omelets prepared the proper way — French style. The choices become endless and the ingredients used are top quality.

TOAST has its green chilies flown in from Albuquerque, NM and they actually freshly squeeze your orange juice.

The blueberry waffles were wonderful. They arrived radiating a crisped golden brown color and were carefully garnished with the perfect amount of whipped cream and syrup.

It was at this moment that I was literally brought back to culinary school — it was here that I learned the importance of perfectly aerated breakfast batters and strategically placed garnishes.

*When you finally leave the nest
I'll wish you the best and leave you
This one piece of advice to digest:
Life will be fruitful just like it's supposed to
If you'll just keep your silverware
Outta the toasta.*

-Ken Haedrich from Country Breakfasts

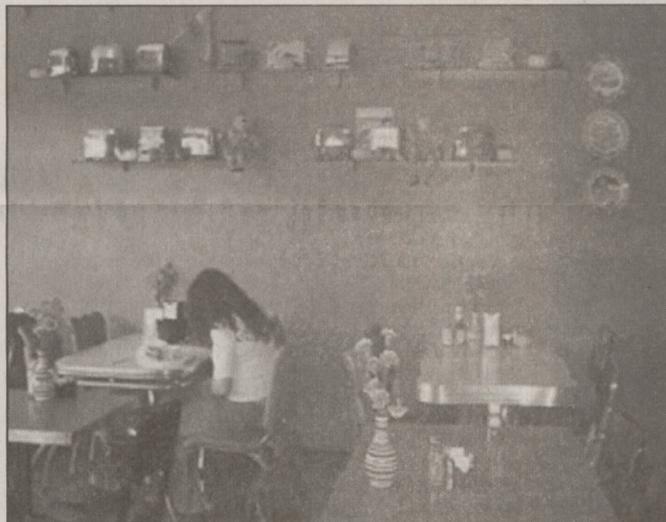


The menu remains the same during the week, but every weekend, different items are added.

Some of the omelets available are Greek, French, "Cali," Western, farmers or smoked bacon & Gouda (a creamy cheese with a mild nut-like flavor).

TOAST also offers giant breakfast burritos, Grand Marnier French toast, Irish Oatmeal, fresh fruit, low-fat granola, innovative pancakes, waffles and much more.

And if this isn't enough to choose from, there are endless side items as well. Southern fried parmesan cheese grits, Grande home fries — with onions, green peppers, cheddar cheese, and green chili — several kinds of sausage, extraordinary house-made salsa, several breakfast breads —



Andrea McNinch/The Oakland Post
TOAST is located in Ferndale and offers a great variety of breakfast food.

including their famous "TOAST" — the list goes on and on.

TOAST could very well be the best thing to happen to Detroit breakfast since sliced bread.

So the next time you're lying under your covers on a chilly Saturday morning — or for some, Saturday afternoon — trying to find some reason to get out of bed, go try the breakfast at TOAST — it could possibly become your only

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Horribly funny

Between humor and gore, 'The Grudge' seems to suffer from an identity crisis

By ANDREA WELT
THE OAKLAND POST

The title of the movie is exactly what moviegoers will walk away with: A 'grudge' against the director of the Americanized remake of the Japanese version of the 'Ju-On' series.

The film has gory moments that come out of nowhere, with mysterious figures suddenly appearing where a character had just looked.

However, after the shock passes, instead of the normal "Oh my gosh. I can't believe that just happened" feeling, you end up laughing at yourself, and others, because it wasn't even worth getting worked up over.

After the success of "The Ring" which came from the same sort of Japanese conversion, one would have similar expectations for "The Grudge." Unfortunately, it's a cheesy letdown with meager scare tactics and lacks a plot.

Karen (Sarah Michelle Gellar) is an American exchange student living in Japan. She is working for one day as a substitute caretaker for a sickly woman, Emma (Grace Zabriskie).

To sum it up, Karen finds a little boy trapped in a closet with the doors taped shut. Emma won't talk and when she does, she says, "I just want her to leave me alone."

Each time she pronounces these words, it causes the ceiling to grow hair and this supposedly terrifying woman comes face-to-face with both Karen and Emma, and then the screen goes black.

Ironically, the movie has many funny/scary moments such as this one, but each time the audience is thrown back into a useless flashback to



Photo courtesy of Columbia Pictures

Sarah Michelle Gellar is the star in "The Grudge."

Opinion

explain the relevance of something as simple as a phone call, that led up to the gore, if you can call it that.

These flashbacks did give the directors and makeup crew another opportunity to try and scare the audience with really bad special effects.

However, this movie is a failed attempt to create a horror film. An example of such a debacle is when Karen goes to open the door to leave, and the head of the woman haunting the house, just appears to be floating down, as if it were on a stick. It was one of the funniest scenes in the movie.

It wasn't necessary to know all of the details concerning the people around the cursed house. It made an already cheesy horror film a lot worse.

If people decide to remake any more 'Ju-On' production horror films for America, I hope they realize these movies are actually supposed to be scary.

Photo courtesy of Columbia Pictures

Top: Sarah Michelle Gellar plays an American exchange student taking care of a sick woman.

Right: Grace Zabriskie stars on Gellar's side in "The Grudge."



Creating the perfect pumpkin

BY BEVERLY FORTUNE
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Pumpkins for pies. Pumpkins for plain old jack-o'-lanterns. We're all familiar with those.

But Dr. Vu Nguyen takes one of those big orange orbs dotting the fields and turns it into an art form.

He carves portraits out of his pumpkins. "Origami is my first love. I do more origami than anything else, but this is fun," said Nguyen, 39, a psychiatrist.

Nguyen (pronounced Win), a native of Vietnam whose family came to Louisville, Ky., in 1975, said he never carved pumpkins as a child.

It was not part of Vietnamese culture. In Kentucky, he said, "maybe once my dad carved a pumpkin for us, with triangles for the eyes and nose."

Five years ago, Nguyen became interested in carving "just for the heck of it," he said. "I used a knife it didn't work very well to carve different faces like a cat's face and lots of designs."

His carvings became more elaborate, and Nguyen searched the Internet for new ideas; he found directions for doing photographic portraits.

Each pumpkin portrait takes about three hours to complete.

"Like with anything, the more you do it, the faster you get, and you begin to develop your techniques," he said.

The keys to success are choosing a large pumpkin and sturdy tools.

Nguyen doesn't use pumpkin carving kits because the tools aren't big enough, strong enough or sharp enough.

He buys tools designed for wood carving and making pottery. Instead of using a knife, he bought a scroll-saw blade from

the hardware store and a small handle for it.

"Once you start cutting away the mid-tones, achieving different shades of gray, is when I have to use a lot of artistry," he said.

The Michelangelo of the pumpkin patch will start the week before Halloween, carving one or two every night, he said.

Some will be portraits, and others will be what Nguyen calls extreme pumpkins: boldly carved, with a pyrotechnic aspect as flames shoot out the top.

To demonstrate how to do a pumpkin portrait, Nguyen carved a likeness of his sister, Trang, a graphic designer in the Lexington Herald-Leader advertising creative services department.

The tools: You'll need a scroll-saw blade and handle, small paring knife, scoop, wood carving tools, face-paint crayon and projector.

The pumpkin: Start with a large pumpkin. If the pumpkin is too small, you'll go crazy trying to carve the intricate details.

The guts: Cut a generous-size lid that extends part-way down the back of the pumpkin.

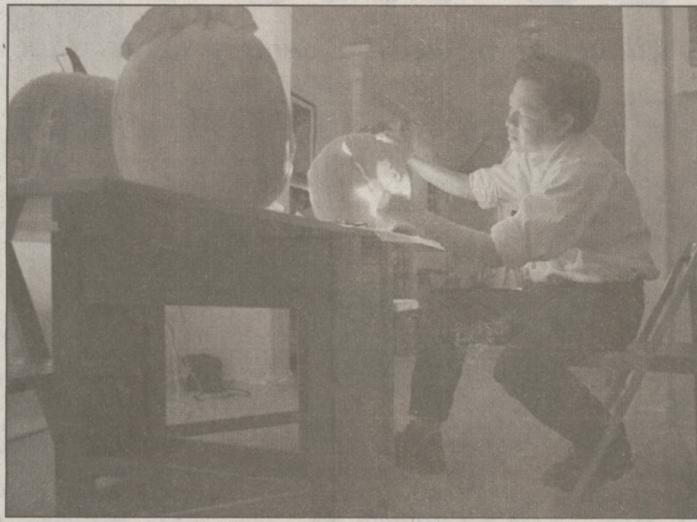
Remove seeds and insides. Wash the pumpkin inside and out with dishwasher soap and water. Dry.

Using a scraper, scrape away part of the inside to thin out the rind so light will shine through.

The photo: Select a photograph with a clean background and sharp black-and-white contrasts.

"If you don't have a good picture to start with, your pumpkin won't turn out good," Nguyen said.

He used Photoshop software to remove the color from the picture and to



DAVID STEPHENSON/LEXINGTON HERALD-LEADER
Vu Nguyen carves a pumpkin in the likeness of his sister, Trang Nguyen at his home.

boost the contrast between black and white tones.

Leave gray tones because that is what will distinguish the portrait from the usual jack-o'-lantern carvings.

The transfer: With a small tracer projector bought at a crafts store, Nguyen projected the photo onto the side of the pumpkin.

He then traced the features, including the nose and mouth, with face-paint crayon. He also outlined areas on the nose, cheeks and forehead that were white tones.

The cuts: With an X-acto knife, cut around the crayon tracings.

Next, cut out the white highlights on

the nose, cheeks and forehead. Keep the photograph close by to refer to.

The shave: Before shaving away rind from the gray areas to create different tones, Nguyen puts a white Christmas light inside the pumpkin to shine through the rind.

The light helps when you shave away layers of pumpkin pulp, creating a three-dimensional affect.

Wash and rinse: When finished, put the pumpkin in the sink and wash away the remaining crayon lines.

The secret to aging: Rub Vaseline to seal the surface and hold in moisture. WD-40 also works.

BY LINDA C. BLACK
TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

Today's Birthday (Oct. 27). Although you have lots of energy, and you might rightfully think that nobody can do the job as well as you can, learn to delegate this year. You'll become a better manager and get even more accomplished.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) Today is a 7: Where will you get the money to achieve the quality you imagine? Don't have a tizzy; the opportunity will present itself soon. Offer your services.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Today is an 8: You're getting stronger and more determined over the next few days. One of your talismans must be the bulldog. When you latch on, you don't let go.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Today is a 6: There's a fight brewing, but try not to get emotionally involved. Step back, and look at the bigger picture when deciding which side to support. There's an awful lot at stake.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) Today is a 7: There's one hassle after another, and none of them are your fault. So why should you have to deal with them? Because you're so good at it!

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Today is a 5: You're smart and creative, but that won't be enough. If you also take on responsibility for your actions and for others, you could rise into a well-deserved leadership position. Now's a good time to practice.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today is a 7: There are a few more touchy subjects to deal with before you can relax. Schedule a break for yourself tomorrow and even more on the next day.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Today is a 6: Quick action leads you to make a discovery that could change your attitude. Make plans carefully, and you can achieve more than you ever thought possible.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is a 7: You're not in the battle all by yourself even though it may seem that way. Form an alliance with somebody who can provide the stability you lack.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 7: It's just about time to get back to work. A creative friend may inspire you to try something you thought only others could do. Your expertise is expanding.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today is a 7: The wonders never seem to cease. Just about when you're ready to quit, the difficulty finally gets resolved due to a new discovery. And you had it all the time.

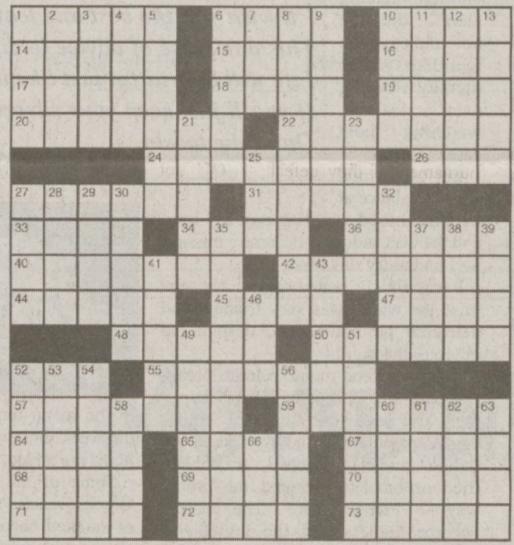
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Today is a 6: You may be just about worn out by now. Don't make big plans for tonight. You're wiser to stay close to home. Go to bed early, and recuperate.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Today is a 7: The odds are pretty high that you'll learn a lesson the hard way and soon. Be respectful and attentive, hold onto your money, and your odds of success improve.

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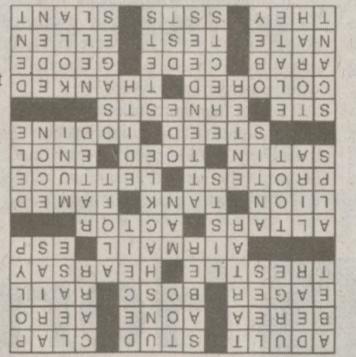
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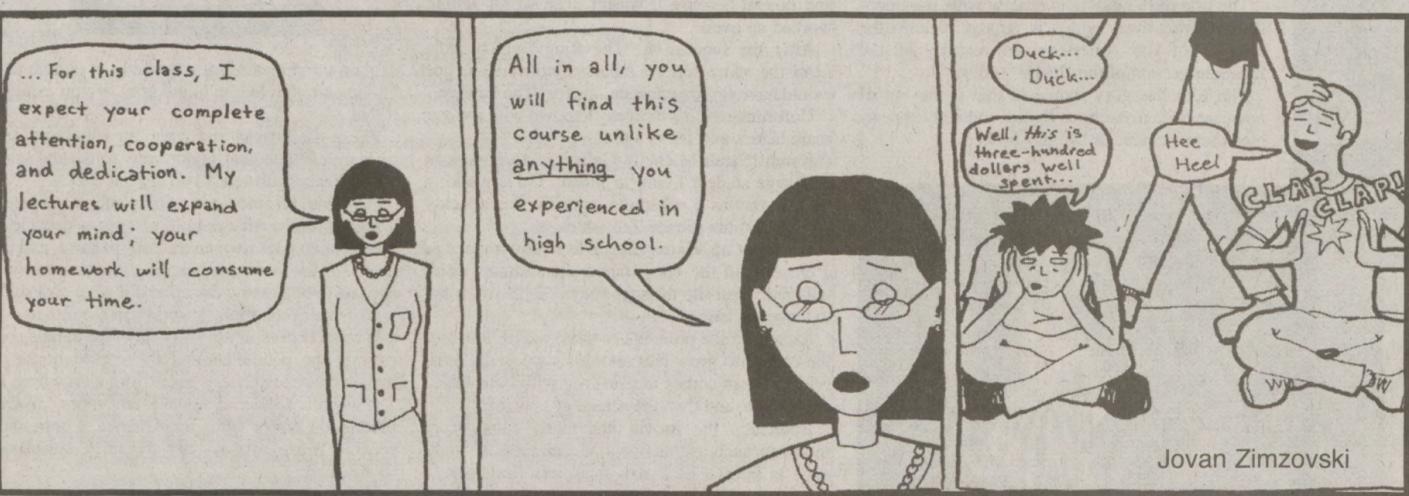
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THE LOW DOWN

Wednesday, Oct. 27

The fall blood drive is from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. in the Gold Rooms of the OC.

There will be Alcohol Awareness Trivia from noon-1 p.m. in the Exhibit Lounge of the OC.

Thursday, Oct. 28

The First Year Transition Workshop is from noon-1 p.m. in Lake Superior Room B of the OC. The topic is what you want to be when you grow up.

Friday, Oct. 29

Costume party courtesy of SPB and the Gay/Straight Alliance from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC. There will be music, dancing and food and the party is free. All students are welcome.

Saturday, Oct. 30

Movie night at OU: "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" will be shown at 10 p.m. in the Hamlin Lounge of Hamlin Hall.

Sunday, Oct. 31

Happy Halloween!!

Monday, Nov. 1

Cultural Awareness Week

There will be a student writers meeting from 6-8 p.m. in Lake Superior Room B of the OC. This is a bi-monthly workshop to critique one another's writing.

"Dia de los Muertos" (Day of the Dead) celebration is from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the OC. Come enjoy the mariachi band and free food.

There will be an international mixer at 8 p.m. in the Vandenberg Dining Center of Vandenberg Hall. Help welcome OU's international students while enjoying games and free food.

Tuesday, Nov. 2

Election Day!!

Wednesday, Nov. 3

The First Year Transition Workshop will be held from noon-1 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the OC regarding nutrition, wellness and you.

World religions and spirituality will be held from noon-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the OC. Come and experience various customs from a variety of world religions.

"The Festival of Lights," an Indian ceremony, will be held from 2-4 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

Understanding international business presentations will be given from 4-5:30 p.m. in Gold Room A of the OC.

Thursday, Nov. 4

There will be an international speech, translation and dictation contest held from noon-4 p.m. in Gold Room A and rooms 126-127 in the OC. Non-native speakers of Arabic, Chinese, French, Japanese and Spanish are welcome to participate.

Miss Deaf Michigan, Kenya Lowe, will give a presentation on growing up deaf from noon-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the OC.

International Night Cafe from 7-10 p.m. in the Pioneer Food Court of the OC. Enjoy free cultural food, displays and entertainment.

Compiled by: Tracy Estes
Assistant Life Editor

OU shuts out UMKC

By Dave Pemberton
Sports Editor

Junior goalie Jeff Wiese recorded his sixth shutout of the season, helping OU defeat the University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) 1-0.

OU's men's soccer team is now a step closer to qualifying for the Mid-Con championship tournament.

The Golden Grizzlies defense has held opponents to a 0.48 goals against average having only allowed seven goals in 13 games this season.

"We take pride in the fact that we're going to do the job defensively," head coach Gary Parsons said. "We know if we do that, it's going to cause the other team to turn the ball over and we're gonna get our opportunities off the counter attack. I think, for the most part, our team is a good blue collar work ethic team and we will be tough to score on."

Wiese credits OU's success on defense to a combination of things, including experience.

"We have a bunch of seniors on the team," Wiese said. "I think we all work hard and we are just gelling this year. So far, everybody has done their job, and when everyone does their job, good things happen."

Parsons was not happy with the team's performance in the first half against UMKC, however. OU took only four shots in the half.

"I thought (their performance) was very poor in the first half," Parsons said. "I thought they were lethargic and I didn't think there was enough energy in our game. This was a big game for us and there wasn't a good enough work ethic going on out there in the first half."

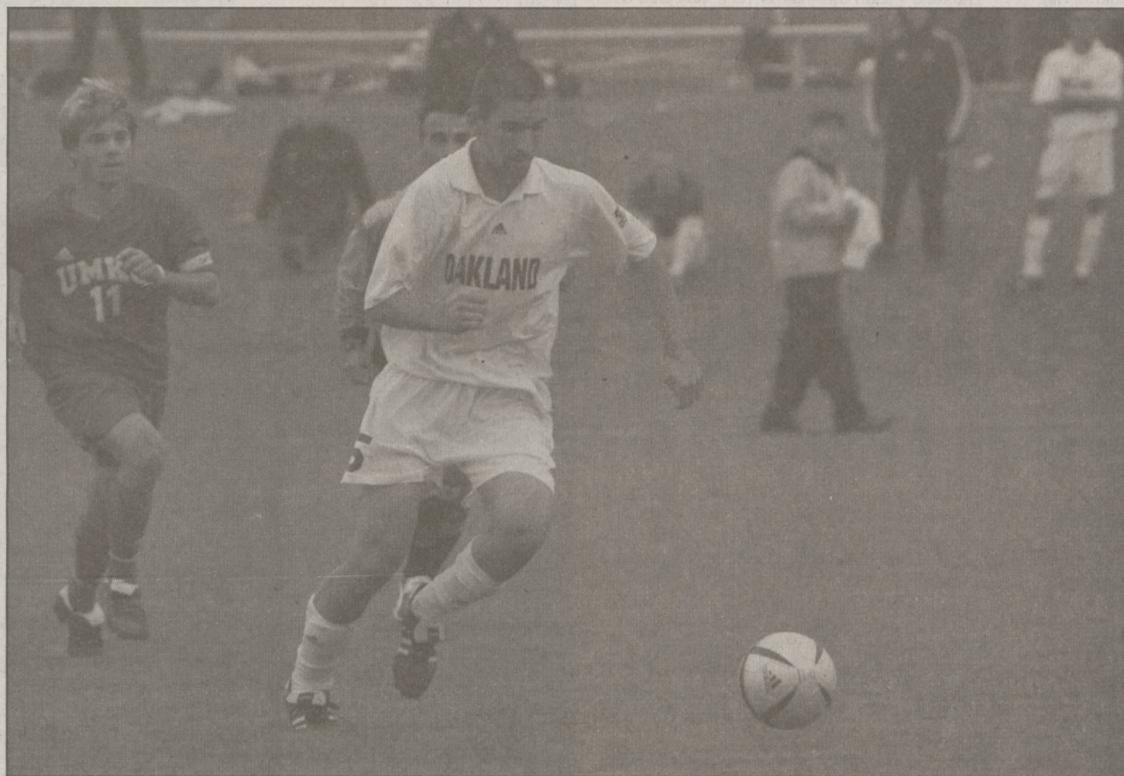
OU turned things around in the second half, managing 13 shots including four on goal.

Junior forward Chris Edwards scored the game winner when he knocked a pass from senior midfielder Shahar Ktovim into the back of the net.

The goal was Edwards' team-high ninth of the season, which ranks third in the Mid-Con.

His performance helped him earn his second consecutive Mid-Con Player of the Week Award.

"He's the go-to-guy, and he's got nine (goals) for us now,"



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post

Above: Freshman Alex McDonald dribbles ahead of a UMKC defender. Right: Senior Ryan Rzepka goes after loose ball against UMKC.

Parsons said. "The second closest guy has three. He's been coming through for us all season, but he has to get some help. That's another problem. The other guys have to start finding the net."

Despite the lack of offense, OU can clinch a spot in the Mid-Con tournament if they defeat Valparaiso University on Nov. 7.

"This was one of the conference games, so it's a really important game," Wiese said.

"One of our goals is to win every Mid-Con game. Hopefully this win can help secure our tournament spot."

Wiese's 0.49 goals against average is first in the Mid-Con and his six shutouts is second in the league.

Wiese is not concerned with personal accolades, however.

"I don't really look too much at the goal situation," Wiese said. "I mean anything can happen, this is soccer. Any given team can beat another team. Doesn't matter if they're the best or the worst team."

"I don't really come to the game thinking, 'If I give up two

goals I'm going to cry about it' or something like that. As long as we get the job done and win it doesn't really affect me."

The Golden Grizzlies defense allowed two goals in regulation for the first time this season in the team's 2-1 loss to Ohio State University (OSU) last week.

OU got on the board first, when senior midfielder Bret McNabb found Edwards, who headed the ball into the net.

OSU was able to tie the game when senior forward Justin Cook came up with a loose ball and sent it into the net.

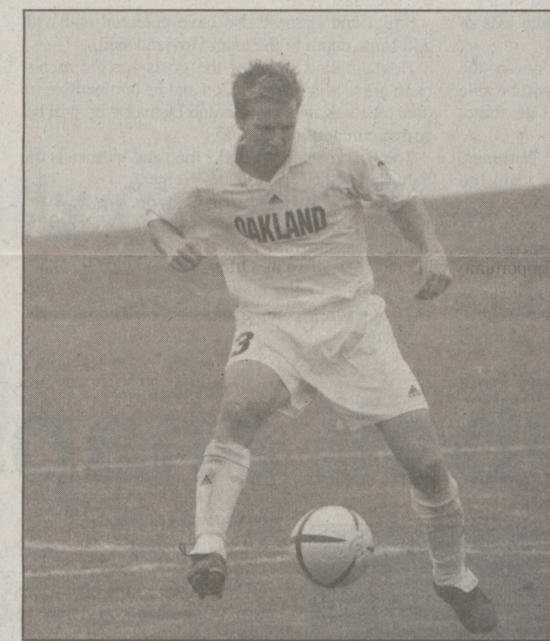
Cook also had a hand in the game-winning goal. He found Taylor Korpieski, who connected from 15 yards out.

Parsons said OU's defense made a huge blunder on the second goal, but also said OSU is a good team.

OU's record is now 9-3-2 overall and 3-1-1 in conference.

Parsons still wants to see the team make improvements, however.

"We just have to be able to play a little bit better now," Parsons said. "Take a little more



pride in how we pass the ball. The people off the ball have to work a little harder in getting open and demanding the ball. "Simplify the game and keep the ball moving. It's not a hard

concept, but sometimes it's hard to put it into effect it seems," he said.

OU will play the University of Detroit at 1 p.m. on Sunday at Titan field.

Tourney hopes still alive

By Dana Utz
Senior Sports Writer

After a two game losing streak, the OU women's soccer team won its last Mid-Con regular season game, defeating Southern Utah University (SUU), 4-2.

With the win, OU improved its record to 8-9-0 overall and 3-3-0 in the Mid-Con.

Junior midfielder Silje Peltopera scored OU's first goal in the 31st minute, when junior forward Kristi Swaving passed her the ball and she beat SUU's freshman goalkeeper Holly Davis to give OU the 1-0 lead.

A minute and a half later, SUU's freshman forward Catherine Johnson intercepted the ball and put a shot inside the far post to tie up the score 1-1.

The Golden Grizzlies broke the tie early in the second half when sophomore forward Marianne Samdal took a free kick from Swaving and knocked it in.

SUU rallied back when sophomore midfielder Ashley Smith connected on a free kick from the top of the box after a foul call. Smith's goal tied the score at 2-2 with 27 minutes left in regulation.

OU was able to regain the lead in the 71st minute when a tripping foul was called on SUU. Senior defenseman Laura

Cowham knocked the penalty kick into the net for her first career goal.

Nine minutes after Cowham's goal, Peltopera had her second goal of the match when she took a free kick from senior defenseman Katie Amott and slipped it into the net. The goal was Peltopera's fourth of the season.

Swaving had a chance to score later in the half, but her shot deflected off of the post.

SUU also had a couple of scoring chances, but Howard saved one shot and the other went high of the net.

Howard finished the game with five saves.

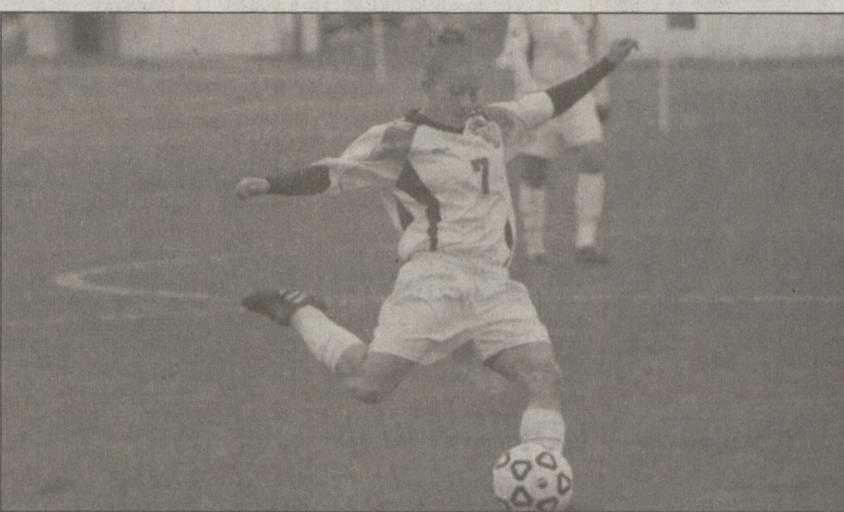
OU lost its first Mid-Con game of the week to Oral Roberts University (ORU), 5-0.

The Grizzlies had a few scoring chances, but could not convert any of them.

ORU scored early, as freshman midfielder Emily Gagnon took a pass from junior forward Jessica Kellogg for the goal, just over eight minutes into the match.

Toward the end of the half, Kellogg connected on a shot from 25 yards out for her first goal of the game.

Early into the second half, Kellogg scored again with off an assist by sophomore midfielder/defenseman Gentry Deter.



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Junior midfielder Silje Peltopera prepares to kick the ball upfield.

Just three minutes later, junior midfielder/defenseman Heather Hall scored an unassisted goal to give ORU a 4-0 lead.

Kellogg scored the last Golden Eagles goal in the 70th minute with an assist from Hall.

In the last 45 minutes, OU had six shots on goal, but freshman Steph Gurley and sophomore backup goalkeeper Mandy Evans made the saves.

Howard was able to make four saves in the match and Swaving had three shots on goal. The Grizzlies will not know if

they will make the Mid-Con championship tournament until Thursday, when Valparaiso University (Valpo) takes on ORU.

If Valpo loses, there will be a three way tie between OU, Valpo and IUPUI for the third and fourth spots in the Mid-Con tournament.

The two teams with the best goal differential get the two spots.

If Valpo wins, IUPUI and OU will tie for the fourth and final spot, and the team with the best

goal differential will get into the conference tournament.

If the Grizzlies make it, they will have home field advantage when OU hosts the Mid-Con tournament Nov. 5-7.

OU has two games left in the regular season and both are against Big 10 teams: Purdue University and Northwestern University.

The Grizzlies will take on Purdue at 4 p.m. on Thursday in West Lafayette, Ind. and then host Northwestern at 1 p.m. on Saturday at the OU Soccer Field.



BRENDAN J. STEVENS

Editor In Chief

Dreams do come true

Some people may be completely focused on the final tidbits of political rhetoric coming from the presidential hopefuls, but others are captivated by a much more alluring story.

The story has everything both the media and public can hope for: drama, overcoming the odds and disappointment.

It's the story of the Boston Red Sox.

Granted, who wins the upcoming presidential election will have a more obvious effect on my near future.

But the Red Sox have almost managed to make fans forget about 85 years of disappointment.

Trailing 3-0 in the American League Championship Series (ALCS), Boston looked at insurmountable odds. Making matters worse, the dreaded New York Yankees held the advantage over its long time rival.

Time and time again, the Red Sox seemed on the brink of another failure, but new heroes stepped to the forefront each game.

Designated hitter David Ortiz had a game-winning home run in Game 4 and the series-extending single in the bottom of the 14th inning in Game 5.

Boston starting pitcher Curt Schilling "shut the Yankees up" with a 4-2 win in Game 6 while pitching with an ankle that will need surgery in the offseason.

Second baseman Mark Bellhorn broke out of a postseason slump to hit a three-run home run in Game 6 that proved to be the game-winner.

Red Sox centerfielder Johnny Damon helped his team breathe easier in Game 7 of the ALCS, hitting two home runs and recording six RBIs after most had considered him MIA.

Not to mention the efforts of Boston's bullpen, which endured through eight extra innings in the last four games of the series, all Red Sox wins.

Not only did the team of unsung heroes make history by being the first time to overcome a 3-0 deficit in a best-of-seven series, but it was only the third team to force a Game 6 and first team to even force a seventh game after falling down 3-0.

But the job is not done.

At press time, Game 3 of the World Series was still underway, but, at the very least, the Red Sox will take a 2-1 lead into Game 4 in St. Louis.

The Boston bats seem to have woken up from their deep slumber during the first half of the ALCS, and the Red Sox pitching staff is doing its part to control the Cardinals' powerful offense.

Schilling once again pitched well with his ankle stitched together (holding St. Louis to one run in six innings of work in Game 2), the Boston bats are providing the offense (17 runs combined in Games 1 and 2) and the Red Sox defense is bending, but not breaking (eight errors in the first two games of the series.)

All the bounces seem to be going in Boston's favor, but this is no time to be complacent.

The only way to satisfy the Red Sox faithful that has suffered since 1918, when the team last won the World Series, will be to bring home the title.

It's time to forget about Bill Buckner's error in 1986 and put the "Curse of the Bambino" to rest forever.

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Title defense to begin

By DANA UTZ
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

When a team loses many of their key members, it's hard to fill their spots and create a team with the same amount of depth and talent.

The men's and women's swimming and diving teams will have to overcome the loss of their fellow teammates and step up to fill the void.

The women lost many of their key swimmers from last year such as Angela Simetkosky, Oksana Strelets, Shelley Aurit, Tanya Kormiyenko, Melissa Jaeger, Amanda Burwell and Jenna DeJonge.

"When looking at all the members that are now graduated, it is daunting to see the loss of their talent and trying to figure out how to replace it," men and women's head coach Pete Hovland said. "(But) I am excited with the incoming freshman we have this year."

Hovland said some of the graduates were arguably the best swimmers OU has ever had, and they will not be replaceable in one year. But in time the newcomers will add to the depth of the team and be able to help defend the teams Mid-Con and National Independent Conference (NIC) titles.

Some of the new freshmen are Kim Bacon, Elaine Shalla, Rachel Beardsley, Christine Hager, Riley Rigoli, Sarah Brettrager, Carolyn Routh, Katie Wilke, Becky Renkola and Andrea Suhr.

Bacon is from Bolton, Ontario, Canada. Hovland said she has the potential to compete as a top breaststroker and individual medley swimmer. Bacon will be working to fill the void Aurit left.

Shalla, a transfer from the University of Michigan, will be trying to fill the shoes of Simetkosky in the 100-, 200-, and 500-yard freestyle.

Hovland said Beardsley, Hager, Riley, Rigoli and Brettrager are some of the best sprinters in the state and will make up some of the talent that was lost with Strelets.

"These sprinters will give added depth to the team in order to continue our success," Hovland said.

Routh, Wilke and Shalla will offset the loss of the middle distance events.

For diving, Hovland said Renkola is one of the best freshmen in the country and Suhr will be able to add depth to both the one-meter and the three-meter boards.

With the addition of many strong freshmen, "they will help to offset the losses the team has faced," Hovland said.

There is no one to fill the shoes of Kormiyenko, so "hopefully the team will score enough points in the other events to make up for it," Hovland said.

Jaeger, Burwell and DeJonge had outstanding seasons last year, and if senior Karoline Freytag, senior Renie Green, junior Line Jensen and junior

Maria Musialczyk make slight improvements in their times, Hovland thinks all the bases will be covered and possibly be even better than last year.

His goals for the women are to win both the Mid-Con and the NIC Championships this year.

The men's side has a slightly different story than the women.

"The men's team this year is very, very thin due to the loss of tremendous talent in the past few years," Hovland said. "There is a much larger void on the men's team than the women's."

There are not as many new freshmen for the men's team.

"We are in a rebuilding mode right now," Hovland said.

Not only does the men's team have to deal with the loss of their seniors, but also the team will be without top swimmer Chris Sullivan, who is ineligible for the first semester.

Hovland said because of that added obstacle, senior Blaine Dolcetti, junior Nick McCollum, junior Eric Lynn and sophomore Bryon Tansel will have to step up their performance and help the team get through the first semester.

The team will be leaning on them and looking to them for depth as well as for gaining points for the team during the first semester, Hovland said.

"Luckily, our major competition does not come until January," Hovland said. "This will give the freshman time to adjust and have a good bearing on the team by January."

Zoltan Horvath, Evan Kobes, Ryan Kish, Chris Tansel, Ted Smith and Justin Ernst are some of the new freshman.

Horvath, who is from Hungary, is a breaststroker as well as an individual medley (IM) swimmer.

Kobes was a Division I state champion in the 100-yard backstroke. Kish was a runner-up in the Div. I state championship in the one-meter diving board for Rockford High School.

Chris Tansel, who is the brother of Brian Tansel, was one of the top sprint butterflyers in the state last year.

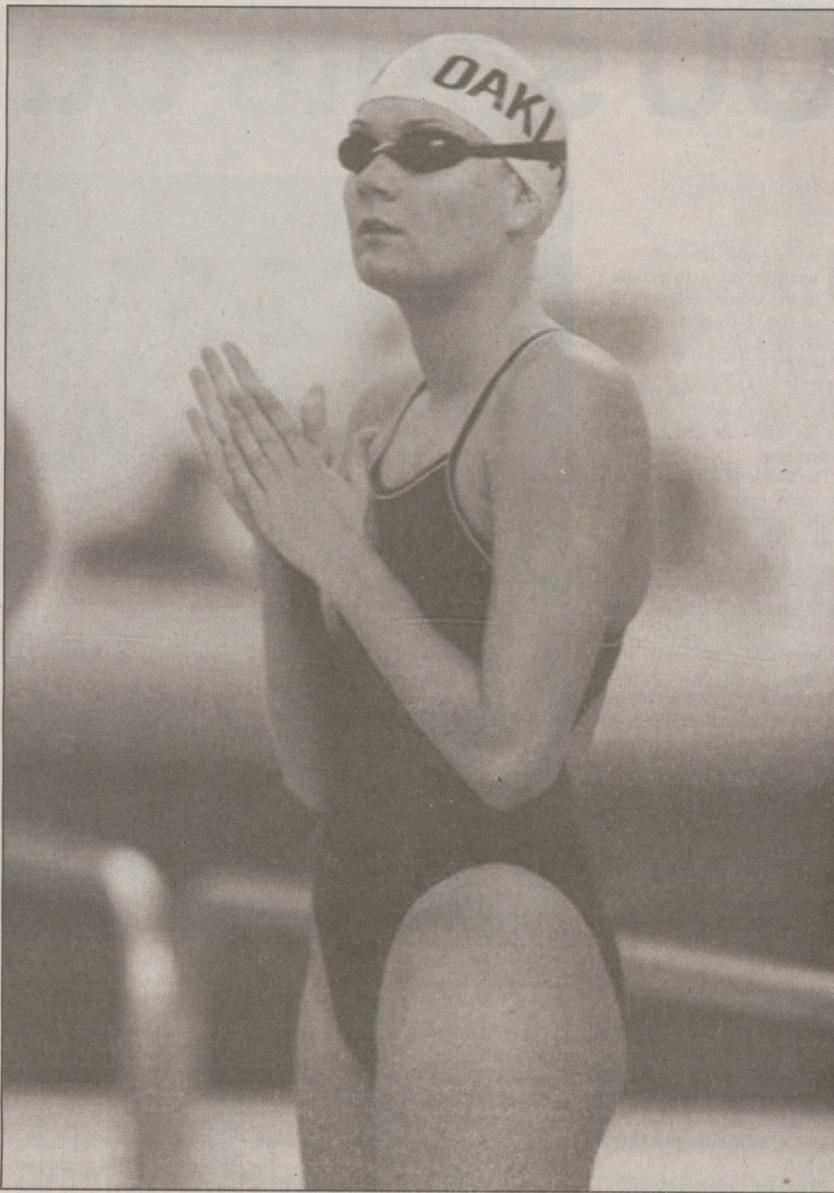
Smith and Earnest also have potential and will add some depth to the team Hovland said.

Hovland said some of the goals for the men's team are to win the Mid-Con and be competitive in dual meets against Hawaii and Denver who will be strong competition for OU.

The first meet for both the men and women is on Saturday at the OU Aquatics Center.

OU will host University of Akron, Wayne State University and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

"This first meet should be a good one," Hovland said. "We have the home advantage and it is the first opportunity for a head-to-head dual meet format."

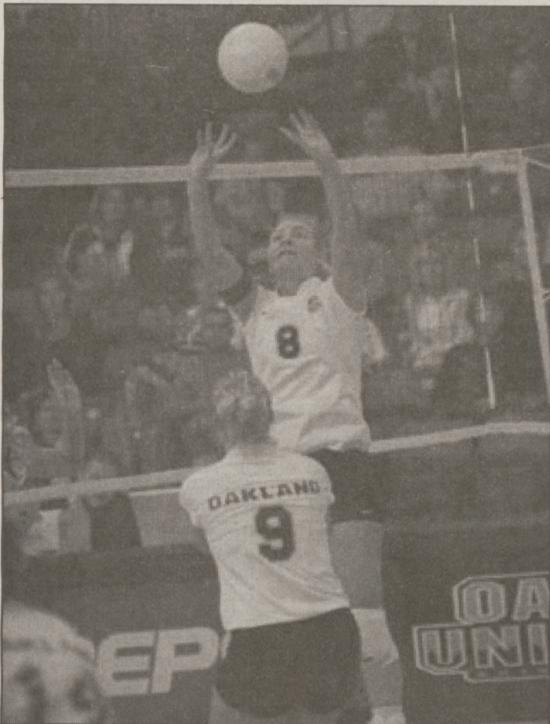


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Karoline Freytag is one of OU's top returning swimmers in the freestyle and distance events.

Hovland said the last two years OU has done well against the three teams, and this year OU should do just as well. "We are going to be looking for good individual times (at the meet) and see where the freshmen fit in," Hovland said.

Volleyball snaps losing streak



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Junior Becca Moller goes to set up a teammate for a kill.

By DAVE PEMBERTON
THE OAKLAND POST

OU's women's volleyball snapped its nine game losing streak by defeating Centenary College 3-0 (30-24, 30-25, 30-22). OU's last victory was against Centenary back on Sept. 24.

"The team walked into practice last week and decided to do something about the losing streak," head coach Dave Schmidlin said.

"When we are going through a season like we are, where we are battling injuries and kids are playing hurt, the team has to look within themselves and make something happen. We finally went and did that... and the win against Centenary was a reward from that hard work they put in."

OU's defense held the Ladies to a .068 hitting percentage for the match, while their offense hit a respectable .216.

"Our offense was a little better, but I thought our defense improved dramatically," Schmidlin said. "Our defense had to get better for us to have a chance to win and they stepped up."

Junior middle blocker Erin Palmer led OU's offense by hitting .421 for the match with nine kills.

OU's offense also had contributions from junior middle blocker Heather Lippert, who finished with nine kills and 15.5 points, and senior outside hitter Sara Miller, who added eight kills.

Lippert and Miller also led OU's defense. Lippert came up with seven blocks and Miller picked up 14 digs.

In the first game, OU led by one point, 20-19, but was able to score four straight points. Centenary was not able to recover as OU held on to win 30-24.

Freshman outside hitter Chelsea Licavoli recorded her 30th ace of the season in the first game, which sets a new OU single season record for the 30-point scoring system.

With the game tied at 11 in the second game, Lippert and junior outside hitter Whitney Lane hit back-to-back kills to put OU back on top.

OU did not surrender the lead the rest of the game, taking a 30-25 win off a block from Lane and Palmer.

Centenary was able to jump out to a 9-4 lead in the third game, but the Grizzlies then went on a 9-0 run to take a 13-9 lead. Once they were ahead the Grizzlies never looked back, winning the game 30-22 to win the match 3-0.

The win improves OU's record to 2-7 in the Mid-Con and 4-18 overall.

The Grizzlies fell to Oral Roberts University (ORU) 3-1 (28-30, 30-22, 30-16, 30-28) in their first Mid-Con match of the weekend.

"Oral Roberts had to play very well to beat us," Schmidlin said. "That has not been the case in the past."

The first game was tied at 26, but OU was

able to then off the Golden Eagles and won the last two points to take game one.

In game two ORU never trailed, winning 30-22. In game three ORU outthit OU .367 to .094 to win by 14 points, 30-16.

OU jumped out to a 10-5 lead in game four. ORU was able to come back and take an 18-17 lead.

Once they had the lead, the Golden Eagles were able to hold on and take a narrow 30-28 win to take the match 3-1.

The Golden Eagles were led offensively by sophomore Ori Zuzic, who finished with 21 kills and 24.5 points.

Lippert led OU with 12 kills, 16 points and seven blocks. Palmer added eight kills and 11 digs.

OU will host a pair of Mid-Con games this weekend.

The Grizzlies will take on Western Illinois University at 7 p.m. on Friday in the O'rena and then face the University of Missouri-Kansas City at 7 p.m. on Saturday.

Schmidlin thinks both games are winnable.

"Last time we played Western Illinois we did not have a setter available due to food poisoning and we still played okay," Schmidlin said.

"If we are going to have a shot at the conference tournament we have to sweep this weekend."

The results of the IPFW game on Tuesday were not available at press time.

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Golf teams defeat Titans in match play

Both the men's and women's golf teams defeated the University of Detroit in match play last week. The men won 21.5 to 5.5 and the women won 26.5 to 1.5.

On the women's side, the Golden Grizzlies started the match by taking both of the team matches by scores of 3-0.

This gave them a 6-0 lead going into the singles matches.

Junior Patricia Ellsworth, sophomore Stacey Goins and sophomore Christina Cibrario won their singles matches, 3-0, to help OU take the win.

On the men's side, senior

Brian Stuard and sophomore Rob Reynolds were both able to keep their opponents from getting any points during the matches.

The first day of competition Stuard teamed with senior Matt Pullen, and Reynolds paired with junior Jonathon Pauli. Both sets of teams took 3-0 wins.

By the end of the day the Grizzlies were leading 6.5 to 2.5.

Stuard and Reynolds both won 3-0 in their individual matches. The set of wins helped OU win the match.

-Dana Utz
Senior Sports Writer

OU Club Hockey

OU's club hockey team played in three games in New York last weekend. The games included a rematch of the ACHA (American Collegiate Hockey Association) National Championship game between OU and New York University. The results are below:

OU- 7 New York University- 0

OU- 7 Stony Brooke University-6 (OT)

OU- 6 Siena University-3

The defending ACHA National Champions are now 7-0 far this season. OU will travel to Ferris State University for its next game on Friday. OU's next home game is at 8 p.m. on Nov. 5th at the Onyx Ice Arena in Rochester.

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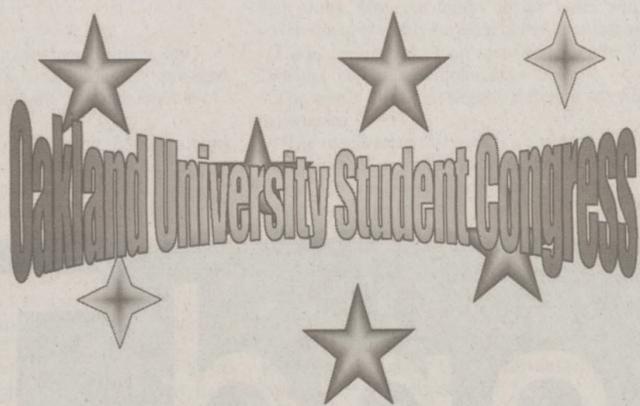
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12-1 PM; Fireside Lounge, OC

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World Religions & Spirituality
12-1 PM; Fireside Lounge, OC

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- The King and I (Jan. 11 & 30)
- Oliver (Jan. 25)
- A Celebration of Contemporary African American Dance (Feb. 15, 17 & 20)

ON CAMPUS EVENTS: TICKETS AND SIGN-UP

- Doris Kearns Goodwin Lecture (Oct. 28)
- Meadow Brook Fall Ball (Nov. 5)

Distinguished Lecture in the Humanities

Doris Kearns Goodwin

Thursday, October 28
6:30 PM
Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion

OU Alcohol Awareness Week October 25-30

Wednesday, October 27
Alcohol Awareness Trivia
12-1 PM; Exhibit Lounge, OC

Rhythms Den: Jazz Vocalist Sheila Landis
8 PM; Expansion Food Court, OC

Friday, October 28
Costume Party
9 PM - 1 AM; Banquet Rooms, OC

Saturday, October 30
Free Halloween Movie: Texas Chainsaw Massacre
10 PM; Hamlin Lounge, HAM

November 2nd is Election Day!
Don't forget to VOTE!