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**SHARING A PINT** // Megan Kaake, a senior majoring in nutrition, lays on a cot to donate blood Tuesday, Nov. 19. "Giving blood is important," Kaake said. "When I can, I want to help out." The American Red Cross holds regular blood drives on college campuses, looking specifically for certain blood types. The organization also accepts red cell and plasma-only donations. *HALEY KOTWICKI // The Oakland Post*

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## POLL OF THE WEEK

What are your plans for the upcoming Thanksgiving break?

- A Spending time with family
- B Doing a lot of Black Friday shopping
- C I have to work
- D I don't celebrate Thanksgiving

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## LAST WEEK'S POLL

What do you think of the free Scantron program?

- A) It will save me a lot of money  
51.4%
- B) I don't really care either way  
21.6%
- C) I'll stick to paying for mine  
8.1%
- D) None of my classes use Scantrons  
18.9%

## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

### NOVEMBER 20, 1996

The Intercollegiate Athletic Review Committee unanimously voted to increase OU's standing to NCAA Division I AAA.

### NOVEMBER 17, 1980

A presidential search was narrowed down to three candidates. Among them was Joseph Champagne, who served as president 1981-1991.

### NOVEMBER 19, 1965

A group of 600 students showed up at a meeting to protest the veto of Senate Bill 685, which would have provided MSUO with more funding.



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### REMEMBERING HAILEY

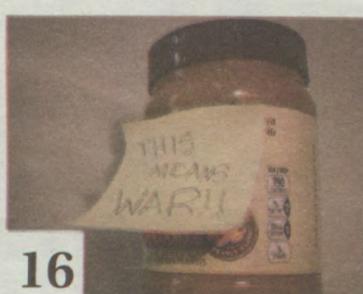
Friends, family, the OU community and a Michigan State football player pay tribute to student Hailey Brouillet almost one month after her death.



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### PROLIFIC PROVOST

In addition to his duties as OU's provost, James Lentini is also a composer and musician, having appeared on multiple albums throughout his career.



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### A LINE IN THE BREAD

Editor-in-Chief Scott Wolchek enters peanut butter debate. Who will win — Team Crunchy or Team Smooth? Ready your butter knives and duke it out.

## BY THE NUMBERS

PEANUT BUTTER

540  
peanuts in a 12  
ounce jar

30  
thousand PBJ  
sandwiches in an acre

1.5  
billion pounds of peanuts  
consumed each year

\$800  
million spent every year  
on peanut butter

90%  
of US households  
eat peanut butter

### The internet is yours - Defend it

As a college student, do you like the free flow of information on the internet?

Do you like being able to look up information, watch streaming video, listen to music, read news and get in touch with your friends with the click of a button?

Well, have we got news for you.

A group of corporate executives is trying to make all those things harder and more expensive. Meanwhile, of course, their pockets will grow fatter.

According to an article on Wired.com, a court decision will be made soon that could overturn the FCC's 2010 Open Internet Rule. This decision could allow corporate entities to decide what parts of the Internet you have access to. In 2012, Verizon filed suit against the FCC, claiming it had the right to "edit" the Internet.

Net neutrality is, in essence, a state in which your internet service provider (ISP) does not interfere with your ability to connect to other parts of the Internet. "In essence, it argues that no bit of information should be prioritized over another," reads the Network Neutrality site at Berkeley University's Open Computing Facility.

In short, let's say you have cable from Company X, which is owned by a large media conglomerate. You want to view content from Website Y, which is owned by a different large media

If you like free access to information, stand up for it. Write your representation at both the state and federal levels. Let them know you won't stand by them if they hand the Internet over to corporate interests.

conglomerate. With a neutral internet, you should have no problem connecting to that site.

But with a non-neutral internet, Company X can slow down access to that website or even block it altogether, unless you pay a separate monthly fee or the website pays the ISP for faster speeds, according to advocacy group Free Press Save the Internet website.

In other words, it would make the Internet more like cable television. You could only access the "channels" you pay for, turning the open frontier of the internet into a walled garden.

The most obvious targets are already in the crosshairs.

Four of the largest internet service providers - Time Warner, Comcast, Verizon and AT&T - are also television carriers. But subscriptions are down partially due to "cord-cutters," according to Business Insider, because cable television prices are driving customers away.

Forbes puts the cost of cable television at \$78 per month. Getting Netflix, Amazon Prime (with a student discount), Hulu Plus and Aero for a month costs a total of \$27.23 - just a little over one-third of cable.

A bill is currently in Wash-

ington, written by Senator Jay Rockefeller (D-W.Va), which would prohibit service providers from throttling your access to streaming video sites. The Consumer Choice in Online Video Act currently only has a 10 percent chance of being enacted, according to GovTrack.us.

This is not enough, and the debate doesn't stop at just what movies you watch.

If you like free access to information, stand up for it. Write your representation at both the state and federal levels. Let them know you won't stand by them if they hand the Internet over to corporate interests.

Let your internet provider know if they continue attempting to seize control of the internet, you'll take your business elsewhere.

And put the word out on social media. Make sure your friends and family know what's at stake.

In the United States, media conglomerates already control most of what you see on television and hear on the radio.

Do you really want to hand over the internet, too?

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EDITORIAL

# Stump the librarian - Trivia about tomes

*Digging deeper into Kresge's book budget and perusing ancient texts*

Dearest readers,  
This week, JT writes in:  
1) What is the OU library system's annual budget for purchasing new books? Has it been increasing in recent years? What part of this budget is discretionary, with book choices left up to the book lovers on our library staff?

2) What's the oldest book you've ever touched, and how did it feel?

Dear JT:

Thank you for your kind comments on how you are enjoying The Librarian's columns.

To answer your questions:

1. As we learned a few weeks ago, The Librarian doesn't much like to deal with numbers, and is also perhaps a bit lazy, so we won't have exact figures today. Suffice it to say that (and I simplify a bit) there are budgets for each subject, and there are budgets for content type (databases, ebooks, periodicals, popular fiction, etc.).

Each librarian handles a pot of money for his/her subject areas, and the amount varies based on how expensive resources are in that area, how many books are typically purchased, and such quandaries. We



**MYSTERY LIBRARIAN**

Librarian Arcimbardo

make purchasing decisions based on faculty requests, what we know of student research needs, special librarian resources, the general zeitgeist, and what we've had for lunch on ordering days. Everyone on campus is welcome and encouraged to contact us with suggestions!

As to if the budget has been increasing in recent years...technically it has, but that increase also comes with an increase in prices. Publishers and vendors have wild imaginations when it comes to what library budgets entail.

2. The Librarian has had the privilege of touching books and manuscripts dating as far back as the sixteenth century (the books date to then, not The Librarian).

To do so, The Librarian had to be ushered into a special darkened cavern, dodging obstacles every which way before finally appearing before the great altar of—

Sorry. The Librarian only wishes life were so exciting. You'd be surprised how many books or pages from books are lying around in museums and special collections that are quite old, and with some careful planning most researchers are able to access them. The Librarian once cared for such a collection, so

touched the books routinely.

They felt rather heavy, as they were full folio publications (we'll get into the history of book publishing in a forthcoming column).

Some of them were printed on vellum, which feels fairly similar to paper.

Fun fact: the movies and popular imagination typically depict people handling very old books with gloves on, but you don't always want to do that, as gloves dull your sensitivity and may cause you to handle a very thin parchment with very full force. You don't want to do that.

Rule of thumb (pun intended!) is to just wash your hands at least once an hour while handling materials that you don't want to ruin with your oily fingers. (Although, the grimy fingerprints from generations of use have actually proven very useful to scholars, as this article illustrates: Kathryn Rudy, 2010. Dirty books: Quantifying patterns of use in medieval manuscripts using a densitometer. Journal of Historians of Netherlandish Art 2 (1-2).)

Next week we will continue giving thanks for all things books and trivia-related: submit your hardest questions to <http://tinyurl.com/StumpOU> or [StumpOULibrarian@gmail.com](mailto:StumpOULibrarian@gmail.com)!

# Bitter bite of life makes future sweet

*The story of the moment that changed one student's life*

At 17, I weighed in at a whopping, whopper-in-duced 324 pounds. where I was.

Then I had my heart attack.

Now, at 19, I stand at steady 164.

This is not a how-to. This is not a stance against obesity. This is not a lecture about improving yourself.

This is a chapter in my life. It changed and shaped me both literally and figuratively into a different human being. You can read it, you can leave it, or choose not to believe it.

But it's a chapter. And it's something worth sharing.

I was always fat. I never hated it. Never wanted it to be different. It made me unique. Gave me a reason to develop a personality.

It was never a problem. Never a problem until a month before my high school graduation.

I was doing strenuous work, moving boxes, when I realized I couldn't feel my arm. The details get blurry from there.

I was rushed to the hospital and forced into surgery.

It's a small group, the one I was joining. Not too many people in the heart attack wing of the hospital were worrying about finals. But nonetheless, that's



**Jon Davis**

Photo Editor

I rehabilitated quickly, which only a person my age could do in the situation I was in. And then I moved on with my life.

I started losing weight over the summer, changing so drastically that friends and colleagues stopped recognizing me. I kept hearing, 'Oh, Jon, you look so good now,' which is just another was of saying I looked like hell before.

I don't often talk of my heart attack. It's not something I'm proud of. I've had people tell me I should be thankful it happened. Thankful, because that's the reason I got healthy and lost the weight.

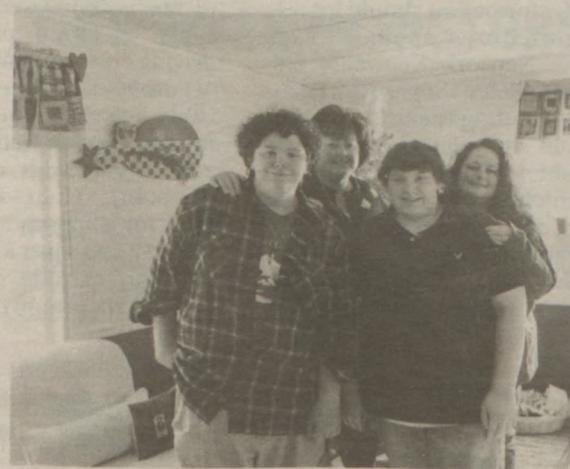
Telling someone they should be thankful they almost died in order to learn a lesson is never a good stance to have. It's not as comforting as you might think.

I don't cherish my heart attack, but I don't regret it either. It's a chapter. That's all it is. It has made me, me. And for that I'm thankful.

It doesn't make me want to look back and regret. Regret being fat--regret being unhealthy.

It makes me look forward.

It makes me excited for whatever comes next, be-



At one point his life, Oakland Post photo editor Jon Davis weighed 324 pounds. He is now down to 164.

cause for one night, I didn't think there was going to be a 'next.'

Only a bitter bite of life can make the next one taste so sweet. And for that, I'm thankful.

Now on to the next chapter.

## OU alum is now a radio star

Former student is now an executive producer and morning host on station 98.7 Amp

Oona Goodin-Smith  
Staff Reporter

An OU alum is making waves in metro-Detroit. Radio waves, that is.

Gillian Reilly, or simply "Gillian" to listeners of popular 98.7 Amp Radio's "The Coop Show," serves as a morning host and executive producer for the station and says radio is the ideal career.

"It's the best job ever. I get to talk about anything I want and I don't even have to do my hair," joked the 25 year old Royal Oak resident.

Reilly's day starts at 3 a.m. (yes, a.m.) and her daily responsibilities range from

scouring the web for media content to interviewing stars to putting on live events in the metro-Detroit area, such as the recent "Thanksgiving on the Mayflower" drive for Gleaners Food Bank.

"It's so great to get out and meet people and be a part of the community," she said.

The communication major got her start interning for Clear Channel Detroit on Channel 95.5 where she "learned everything" about the business and would recommend an internship experience for anyone interested in a similar career.

"[Radio] is a roller coaster every day," said Reilly. "Internships are the way to go since

you are totally immersed in the experience."

Working part-time at bd's Mongolian Grill in Sterling Heights as a waitress alongside her radio internship, the Macomb native chose Oakland University to stay close to her family and because of the "cool atmosphere" the school has to offer.

"There's so much student involvement here and it feels like a real college campus," she said. "People actually took classes seriously."

Reilly's Communication Theory professor, Dr. Kellie Hay, recalled her former student's classroom days.

"Gillian has a spit-fire per-

sonality and she never held back sharing her thoughts in class. She made me laugh a lot," she said. "I am thrilled that she is a successful radio host."

Reilly says she is interested in pursuing television, but for now, is content in radio. "You have to be passionate about this job and I am," she said. "I am definitely happy with where I am."

You can catch Gillian Reilly on air from 6-10 a.m. each morning on channel 98.7.

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## OUSC discusses winter budget and scholarship bill

Ali DeRees  
Staff Reporter

Program leaders asked for assistance, a new legislator was elected, a scholarship bill passed, and the proposed 2014 Winter Semester was discussed at the Nov. 18 Oakland University Student Congress (OUSC) meeting.

Leaders from Oakland University Annual Giving spoke before Student Congress in hopes for their support in a proposed committee.

Annual Giving is a program that collects gifts of money to go towards things such as scholarships, technology, and curriculum enhancements and Oakland University.

Director Kelly Brault and Assistant Director Adrienne Penney are looking to create a student philanthropy committee in which students can give back to the university and show their gratitude as well.

Penney wants students to "give back to the university while they're still here."

There are over 800 funds that need scholarship donors, according to Penney.

Penney and Brault hope students within the committee could reach out to students, identify projects, and write thank you notes to donors.

They are looking for members of OUSC to join the committee to begin building a lasting program.

Bill C.B. 13-10 "OUSC Spirit of the Grizz" scholarship was unanimously passed by Congress.

Legislator and head of the Scholarship Committee, Madison Kubinski, presented the bill.

It is a scholarship competition in which students create spirit campaigns by wearing their Grizz gear and post pictures of themselves in it on Instagram and Facebook with the hashtag of OUSC, according to Kubinski.

"Whoever has the most votes for their spirit campaigns wins," Kubinski said.

Participants must be following OUSC on both social media sites. The winners will receive a \$250 OUSC Spirit Award as well as a plaque.

Andrew Lauz, a Junior at Oakland University, was unanimously voted into OUSC through a ballot vote.

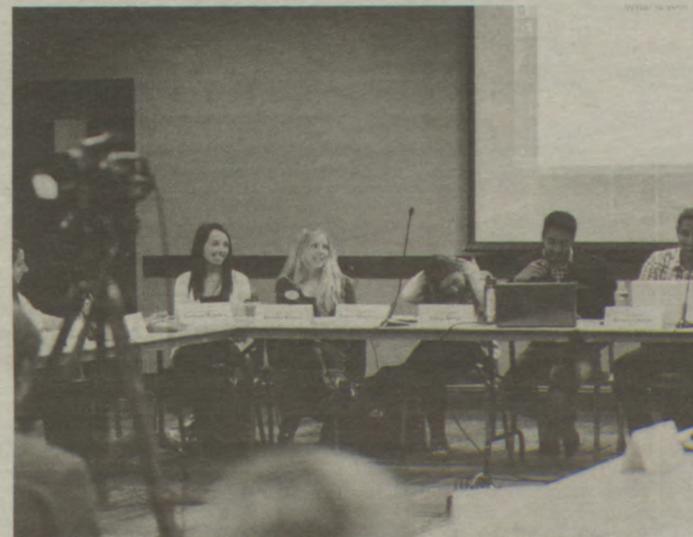
Lauz says he has loved the teachers and student body here at OU and because of this he wanted to get involved in student government.

"It would be a sin for me not to give back," Lauz said.

He hopes to work on initiatives such as cleaning up OU's campus, lessening the parking stress with signs for the parking lots, reform the school's attendance policy, and hold more events for freshmen.

The 2014 Winter Budget Proposal was reviewed and discussed at the meeting as well.

Currently, the total planned expenses for the winter semester are \$108,095 with the total funds available to OUSC for the semester estimated at



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OUSC sits down to discuss the winter budget for the upcoming semester and works to brainstorm ideas and possible programs.

\$142,000.

Sections of the budget are subject to change and it will be voted on at the next meeting.

OUSC always welcomes student comments or students that want to get involved

in student government.

Meetings are held every Monday at 4 p.m. at the Oakland Room in the Oakland Center.

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# Let's get fiscal: OU students are going econ-friendly

*Course PS 306 discusses actual government issues*

**Ali DeRees**  
Staff Reporter

A new course within the political science department allows students to work with real life issues both the federal and state government are currently facing.

"The Fiscal Cliff: Taxing, Spending, Debt, and Deficits" is a course designed to give students the opportunity to work both individually and in groups on projects such as balancing the budget, avoiding a government shutdown and reforming different laws and taxes.

The course is taught by Chuck Moss and Michael or "Mickey" Switalski, both accomplished politicians with extensive backgrounds in local and state government.

### Behind the podium

Moss is a law school graduate of University of Detroit Law School. He was a political columnist for The Detroit News and also did political commentary in radio and TV. He has served three terms at the Oakland Country Commission and three terms at the Michigan House of Representatives. Within his three terms at the House, Moss was Chairman of the House of Appropriations Committee.

Switalski is the newly elected treasurer of Roseville. He is a Roseville native and served on the Roseville City Council. He

has served terms two terms as a legislator in the House of Representatives and two terms as a Senator in the Michigan Senate. Switalski has taught classes at Oakland University for three years and has also taught at Macomb Community College.

In the three and a half hour class, students do a range of activities, from quizzes and readings to debates on current government issues.

Moss described how topical the class has been and how beneficial it has been for the students.

"The night, for instance, Congress was debating the budget, we came in and debated the budget. We came in and had half you guys Democrats, half you guys Republicans, half you guys House, half you guys Senate, gave them some objectives



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Chuck Moss (LEFT) and Michael Switalski use real-world issues for class

and said alright 9:00 p.m. is the equivalent of midnight, the government shuts down at midnight," he said. "We told them don't shut down the government, don't do it, and they got it done."

### Fiscal responsibility

Moss has also been impressed with the students.

Switalski is pleased to see the

students have grown since the beginning of the semester and their focus on the reality of government activities.

Switalski said there are four people in the class working on their own campaigns.

He said one student asked if being on the legislature in Lansing was as much fun.

"Way more fun, way more fun!" Moss said with a laugh.

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## Homage to Hailey

*Friends, faculty remember Grizzly  
a month after accident*

*Photo courtesy of Jessica Zacharias*

Hailey Brouillet, a student who died Oct. 28 due to injuries sustained in a car accident, told her roommates she wanted to enter and leave their apartment happy. Her roommates painted the quote above their apartment door as a tribute to their best friend.

**Scott Wolchek**  
Editor-in-Chief

The roommates of Hailey Brouillet have finally finished painting their apartment. The finished project features an homage to their late roommate, who died Oct. 28 of injuries sustained in a car accident.

Above the door reads a hand-lettered sign, "enter happy, leave happy... H.M.B." That phrase is the advice Hailey gave to her roommate Jessica Zacharias just a few days before she died.

Jessica said it helps her and her roommate Autumn Hegner every day.

*"Through this unfortunate tragedy I learned that Hailey was just an outstanding person, student and outstanding contributor to our campus community."*

**Glenn McIntosh,**  
Interim Vice President of  
Student Affairs

"I look up and think yeah, I need to be thankful for a lot of things," Jessica said. "The support from my friends, family and the fact that I'm still here."

Interim Vice President of Student Affairs Glenn McIntosh and Interim Oakland University President Betty Youngblood both attended Brouillet's memorial services earlier this month.

"Through this unfortunate tragedy I learned that Hailey was just an outstanding person, student and outstanding contributor to our campus community," McIntosh said. "I had never been to a funeral where I had seen so many young people mourning the loss of one of their peers



*Photo courtesy of Jessica Zacharias*

One of Brouillet's senior pictures. She graduated from Troy High School in 2011.

and searching for answers. But they just wanted to be supportive of Hailey, her family and each other."

OU will award Hailey, who was a health sciences major, with a certificate of attendance at OU, at a future commencement, according to McIntosh.

"It's our way of showing that as a university we appreciate the fact that Hailey was a student at Oakland and very involved with campus and academic life at OU," McIntosh said.

Hailey is also being remembered in small, personal ways by friends and family.

Michigan State University's starting kicker, Kevin Muma, wrote Hailey's initials on his arms for the U of M vs. MSU football game Saturday, Nov. 2.

According to Zacharias, Muma is a Troy High grad and is good friends with Hailey's boyfriend, Dom Gaudino.

Hailey's mom, Lori, Hailey's little sister, Morgan, Jessica and her mom, are going to get tattoos to honor Hailey as well.

The quote they're thinking of getting is something that Hailey said frequently.

"Every day may not be good, but there's always good in every day."



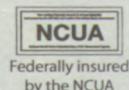
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# Lost 'Lamb' found in MBH

Story and Photos by LeeAnn Brown

Design by Frank Lepkowski

**A** 340 year-old painting, recently discovered hanging in Meadow Brook Hall, is nearing the final stages of restoration at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Dr. Salvador Salort-Pons, head of the European Art Department at the DIA, discovered the painting, titled "The Infant Saint John with the Lamb," when he was giving a lecture at MBH last February.

"I first saw the figure in the corner next to the piano," Salort-Pons said. "It was kind of dark, but the first thing I saw that caught my eye was the figure of the child."

Salort-Pons said the image of the child looked like signature work of Bartolomé Esteban Murillo, a famous Spanish Baroque painter in the 17th century.

Upon further scrutiny, he noticed the softness of the brushstrokes, a Murillo technique that would have been very hard to copy.

He was sure, and the DIA later confirmed, Meadow Brook had been housing a Murillo original.

Madelyn Rzakowolski, MBH Curator, said she knew the painting was one of the best in their collection, but they did not know just how special it was.

Murillo worked in the predominantly Catholic city of Seville most of his life and gained much of his fame

because of his religious paintings.

The Infant Saint John with the Lamb was painted around 1670.

After switching ownership multiple times, Matilda Dodge Wilson and her husband, Alfred Wilson, bought it from the John Levy Galleries in New York in 1926.

The painting had been hanging on the drawing room wall since Wilson had placed it there in 1929.

According to Rzakowolski, the Wilsons purchased several paintings for their home, which was in the construction phase at that time.

They loved some of the artwork so much that they planned whole rooms around particular pieces.

Salort-Pons was excited to discover an original painting, which had been out of the public art world for more than 70 years, hanging in plain sight.

Because of the relationship between Meadow Brook and the DIA, Alfred Ackerman, head of conservation, and his team agreed to restore the painting.

They invited Oakland University students, from several majors, to attend the DIA twice, once in October and again Tuesday, Nov. 12 to observe the various conservation stages that the painting went through.

During their visits, students learned about the history of

Bartolomé and the painting, observing the steps taken in restoration and discussed their opinions on the conservation of this particular piece.

"Ackerman has been removing dirt and old varnishes in trying to rescue the original image," Salort-Pons said.

The painting is in, overall, good condition, but it has faded during the years and some of the elements of the handmade paints have deteriorated.

Ackerman and his team also discovered that Murillo had first painted the child's right foot a little lower. It was hard to see before, but after several layers were cleaned up, the previous foot was quite visible.

Students got to debate on whether the conservation should include covering the foot back up, as Murillo did, or leaving it so the public could see the many steps Murillo took in painting this piece.

Residents of the Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties can visit the DIA free of charge.

The Murillo will be hanging in the European paintings gallery next to other Baroque paintings from a similar time period.

"The Infant Saint John with the Lamb" is on loan to the DIA for five years and will be officially on display starting in February.







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(LEFT TO RIGHT) Jayson Hall, OU's Assistant General Counsel and Freedom of Information Act Coordinator, Robert Boonin, OU's attorney and Deborah Gordon, Beckie Francis' attorney.

## Francis' attorney: 'We're contemplating our options'

Judge rules in favor of former women's basketball coach

Scott Wolchek  
Editor-in-Chief

Beckie Francis, who was fired from Oakland University June 12, finally has a copy of her termination record that isn't largely obscured by black permanent marker.

The former women's basketball coach won a round in circuit court late last week when Judge Martha D. Anderson ruled that OU must provide her with a less-redacted version of the internal investigation report that led to her firing.

Francis was also awarded legal fees.

Deborah Gordon, the attorney representing Francis, said her client had been asking to see the files for more than five months and finally had to sue the university to get them.

The original copies of the reports were, according to Gordon, "virtually 100 percent redacted." In other words, most of the document was blacked out.

Gordon is satisfied with the results.

"I'm very pleased," Gordon

"We were pleased that the judge upheld many of the redactions. That was about half of the report. To the part that the judge un-redacted, we're disappointed the judge did so without listening to the issues we raised about student privacy."

Robert Boonin,  
OU's attorney

said. "The judge obviously followed the law."

OU's attorney, Robert Boonin, who practices with Butzel Long in Ann Arbor, had concerns about the judge's decision.

"We were pleased that the judge upheld many of the redactions," Boonin said. "That was about half of the report. To the part that the judge un-redacted, we're disappointed the judge did so without listening to the issues we raised about student privacy."

Gordon has seen the latest version of the report and said she doesn't think it support the allegations thrown around by the media that suggest Francis of emotional abuse.

"It's mainly about her wanting people to be fit," Gordon said.

"Everything she did in that regard seemed to be appropriate. I think there's no just cause for having terminated her."

Francis' statute of limitations expires Nov. 30. In other words, if she decides to take legal action against the university, it will have to be soon.

"Right now we're contemplating our options," Gordon said.

Boonin declined to make any predictions.

"I really can't speculate as to that," Boonin said. "But we certainly are contemplating our right to appeal."

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## Two men's basketball players suspended

Duke Mondy, Dante Williams released, not charged after incident in L.A.

Timothy Pontzer  
News Editor

On Friday, Nov. 15, two members of the Oakland University men's basketball team were suspended indefinitely.

Redshirt senior guard Duke Mondy and junior forward Dante Williams were arrested on allegations of rape at the team hotel following an investigation, originally reported by TMZ Sports. Both were being held on bail set at \$100,000.

The Golden Grizzlies were staying at a Los Angeles area hotel during their recent trip.

The team faced UCLA on Tuesday and California on Friday.

**"I TAKE IT VERY SERIOUSLY, AM APOLOGETIC TO OUR FANS, APOLOGETIC TO COLLEGE BASKETBALL THAT SOMETHING LIKE THIS WOULD HAPPEN."**

Greg Kampe  
Oakland head coach

A female in her early 20s alleged that she was raped inside the hotel.

The official OU Twitter account stated on Friday that Duke Mondy and Dante Williams were not be charged.

"(Californian) authorities will not proceed with formal criminal charges. They have been placed on interim suspension from team pending internal review," the university said.

In a recent interview with Paul Kampe of The Oakland Press, head coach Greg Kampe explained the situation.

"They've done nothing wrong criminally," Kampe said. "But unfortunately, the results have brought a lot of collateral damage to them, their teammates, to the department of athletics and, most importantly, Oakland University. We've all got to pay for

that."

Mondy was the 2013 Summit League Newcomer of the Year after leading the nation in steals per game last season.

Williams, started the final 12 games of last year's campaign.

According to Kampe, Mondy and Williams met the alleged victim at Wednesday's Los Angeles Clippers game at the Staples Center.

On Friday, Kampe spoke to CBSSports.com.

"They will be appropriately suspended upon review of the situation," Kampe said. "This was more than going past curfew, more than breaking of team policy. It's more than that. I take it very seriously, am apologetic to our fans, apologetic to college basketball that something like this would happen."

The team finished the road trip with an 82-67 loss at #15 Gonzaga. The Grizzlies sit at 0-4 on the season.

OU travels to Louisiana Nov. 23 and will play their first home game on Nov. 30 against Rochester College.

The Oakland Post will continue to monitor this story.

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### Fast Facts

#### WHO

Men's basketball players Duke Mondy and Dante Williams

#### WHAT

Mondy and Williams were arrested on allegations of rape. They were released and not charged.

#### WHEN

Friday, Nov. 15.

#### WHERE

The team's hotel in Los Angeles

# In the mood for a melody

*OU senior vice president composes music in addition to academic duties*

**Kaylee Kean**  
Staff Reporter

James Lentini, senior vice president of academic affairs and provost for Oakland University, recently had a composition recorded and it was released by Azica, a label of the classical music distributor Naxos.

The piece, "Opposites Attract," is performed by the Rawlins Piano Trio. The CD that it is featured on, "Attracting Opposites: New Music for Piano Trio," is named after Lentini's composition.

"They're challenging works," said Lentini. "It's a little different than the normal variety. This kind of music might be really new to people to hear."

He was commissioned to write the piece in 2010 by recommendation of Rawlins cellist Marie-Elaine Gagnon, whom Lentini worked with before.

The CD was released in July and is

now available at outlets such as Amazon and iTunes, according to Lentini.

## A life of music

Lentini said he has been writing and composing for most of his life and has been featured on numerous other CDs and projects.

He first began playing guitar around the age of six.

"I was influenced early by the Beatles," Lentini said. "I saw them on the Ed Sullivan show, and I wanted to play the guitar."

Lentini said he never did too much classically, however, until he learned about the classical guitar major at Wayne State University.

"It opened up a new world to me," he said.

Lentini has since earned musical degrees at Wayne State, Michigan State, and University of Southern California.

Lentini said his family life has always influenced him, as well. His wife is a classical singer, his children perform various instruments and his mother and grandmother were singers.

"We always had that (music) in our ear somehow," said Lentini. "I think that was pretty helpful."

## Balancing work and creativity

Lentini, who was appointed as provost in July, said balancing work and music can often be tough.

"It's a negotiated balance to find time to do this job and any practice time and things like that," Lentini said. "I try to play when I can."

Despite his new academic duties, Lentini says it's important to find enough time to explore and learn new things. He said he hopes his musical pursuits encourage students to keep their minds open and learn beyond



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their fields of study.

"I have always espoused the fact that what we really need to be thinking about is creativity, no matter what discipline," Lentini said.

Although hasn't been at Oakland long enough to "dig into" the music scene deeply yet, Lentini said he plans on changing that soon.

"I would hope very much to get involved with students and the faculty here in the music community," Lentini said. "There's culture around us."

# 'Tis the season to be proper

*Presidential Scholars Etiquette Dinner teaches table manners*

**Oona Goodin-Smith**  
Staff Reporter

It's that time of the year again: visits to grandma's house, giving thanks and — wait — does the fork go on the left or right?

The rapidly-approaching holiday season means one thing for the hungry college student: family dinners. To save ourselves the embarrassment of another stuffing and gravy-soaked Christmas sweater, it's time to put down the finger foods, pick up a napkin and brush up on our dining manners with the help of Matt Durack, host of the annual Presidential Scholars Etiquette Dinner that took place Nov. 7 in Meadow Brook Hall.

On the night of the event, 30 Presidential Scholars — some of the top students at OU — gathered in the elegant Christopher Wren dining room, dressed business casual and confused as ever on which silverware to use when and if

the bread rolls on the tables were meant for eating or mere decoration.

However, with the help of Durack's handy "Proper Table Manners" pamphlet at each table setting and instruction from the man himself, the dining scenario was soon demystified for many of the students.

"This dinner answered a lot of the questions I had about how to act in a formal situation," said psychology sophomore Sami Nagy.

"It's so important to make a good impression at mealtime," stressed Durack. "One faux pas and you can kiss that promotion goodbye."

As the first course, soup, was served, Durack began with basic etiquette tips.

"The napkin remains on your lap (except for use) until the end of the meal," he said. "And don't forget to take small, manageable bites. Gobbling is never attractive."

Dean of the Honors College, Graeme Harper, found the

dinner to be a good chance for students and faculty alike to become more at ease with fancy dining.

"(The Presidential Scholar Etiquette Dinners) don't teach you to be someone you're not," he said. "They give you the tools to be who you are, even when in formal company."

Sami Nagy also found the dinner helpful. "Etiquette is about respect for yourself and others, and I think most of (the Presidential Scholars) have that," she said. "Now we know how to show it."

As the dinner came to a close, Durack reminded guests about the importance of writing a thank you note to the host. "Gratitude is one of the most powerful forms of etiquette," he said. "Always take the time to show it."

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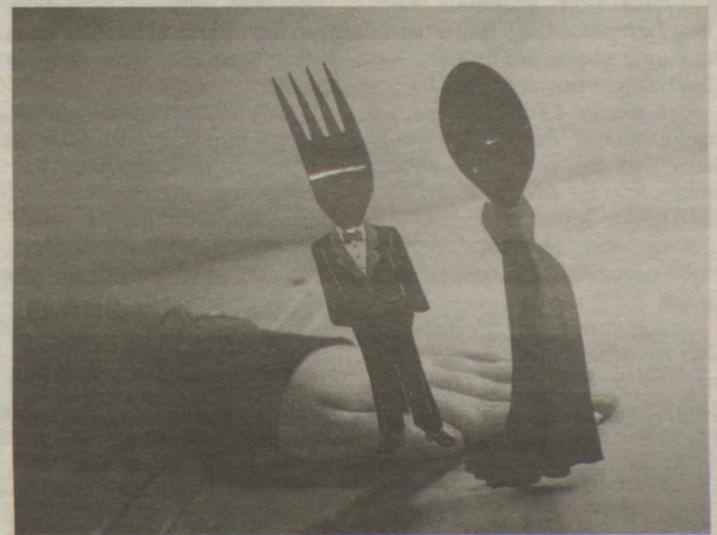


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The President Scholars Etiquette Dinner, hosted by Matt Durack, teaches proper table mannerisms in preparation for the holiday season.

## Holiday Helper: Matt Durack's Family Dinner Cheat Sheet

- Liquids on the left, solids on the right. Never drink from the wrong cup again!
- Put your napkin on your lap — and keep it there.
- Outward knife blade shows hostility. Keep the peace.
- Once silverware is picked up from the table, it never touches the table again.
- Dishes are passed from left to right.
- Salt and pepper are "married" and travel everywhere together. How cute.



Photo courtesy of Buhz

An example of Buhz' interface. Buhz is currently out for Android phones, with an iPhone version in the works.

## Swarming the social hive

OU alumni create a new networking app called Buhz

LeeAnn Brown  
Staff Reporter

Scout over Facebook and Twitter, there's Buhz of a new social media network that has recently come to OU.

OU alumni Chuck Kelly and co-founder, Brett McIsaac, launched Buhz, a new social media app for Android, at Oakland in late September.

Kelly and McIsaac created Buhz specifically for college students.

It has strong privacy features that no other social media sites have so students can pick and choose who sees what on their profiles.

"Buhz originally started with an idea I had years ago," said Chuck Kelly, Buhz CEO, Co-Founder and Director. "Facebook, to me, has always felt like a never-ending high school reunion."

Kelly said creating Buhz has been a long process. When Kelly first got the idea to create a social network, he didn't know the first thing about programming.

"I considered outsourcing the development of the app," Kelly said. "But I felt like that would be taking a shortcut. I didn't like the idea of running a company I didn't understand on a deep, technical level."

For six months, Kelly taught himself the essentials of pro-

gramming and started working on what would become 'Buhz for Android' this time last year.

McIsaac, who followed Buhz from the beginning, has since then joined the team as a co-founder.

"Our creativity is bred by necessity," McIsaac said. "We are creating a product with truly unique characteristics not yet seen in the social media world."

McIsaac introduced Kelly to his friend Mark Medaugh, who had expertise in all the business-oriented tasks. He soon became the third co-founder.

Kelly, McIsaac and Medaugh officially launched the public beta of the app late September/early October of this year.

"We built Buhz first and foremost as users and students," Kelly said. "The vision was to build the social network we always wanted -- that has been our guiding light and what has kept Buhz fresh."

"Buhz is a great way to network with students near you. It was created to thrive in a university atmosphere," said Jake Block, an OU alumni and Buhz beta tester.

"If you need to find someone to study with, Buhz can connect you. If you need to get notes from a class you missed, Buhz can connect you. If you need to sell your old textbooks, Buhz can connect you."

Buhz can also help your social life like it did with OU student Anthony Yousif.

Buhz helped Yousif reconnect with a girl he met at a Michigan State party.

"A few hours later when I opened up my Buhz app, I had a friend request waiting for me from one of the ladies, Audrey," Yousif said. "Buhz literally made my night and saved the day."

Kelly could not give specifics about what is on the horizon for Buhz but he provided some teasers.

"We've put our hearts and souls into this project and we have so many awesome features in the works, I can't wait to release it."

There will be a new feature called 'Party Mode' that Kelly says is awesome.

"Using Buhz, you select a feature called 'Party Mode' and, for the rest of the night, if you meet someone new or interesting, all you need to do is bump phones and it will automatically add you and that user's Familiars."

"For students who don't own an Android device, we are building a Buhz web app that will allow anyone with Internet access on any device to try it out," Kelly said.

The web app is now nearing completion and the team is hard at work on an iPhone app, as well.

## Somewhere in silence: advice from Kresge's night owls

Kaylee Kean  
Staff Reporter

During the day, Kresge Library is bursting with the sights and sounds of hard work. Students fill each floor and every room of the building, studiously reading and writing their way to a good grade.

As the day draws on, they slowly filter out, letting the library grow silent.

Soon, it is 3 a.m. Three workers at the front desk wait to assist any students who might enter. At first glance, they are the only ones in the building.

They are not alone.

### The biochemist

Ashley Sieloff has been in the library since 11 p.m. She sat at the same computer desk for hours with no breaks. Diet Mountain Dew and a pile of textbooks are her only companions. Sieloff said she prefers the quiet solitude, however.

"I'm a night person, so it's a lot easier for me at night," Sieloff said. "There's no one talking."

Sieloff is a senior biochemistry major who is taking 16 credit hours. She often stays at Kresge until 4 or 5 a.m. and gets an average of around three hours of sleep per night.

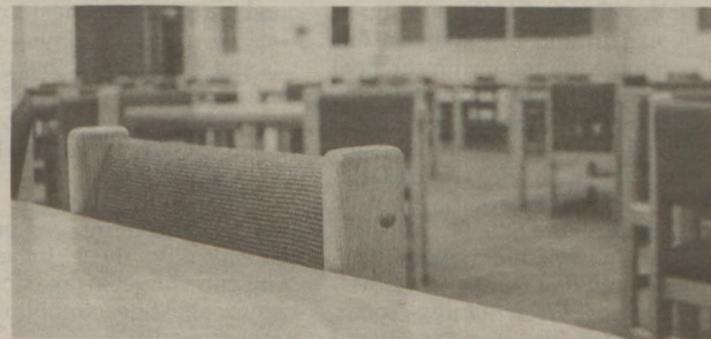
"By the end of the semester I'll want to pull my hair out," Sieloff said.

Her advice to other students: don't worry about finishing school quickly.

"If you know what you want to do, spread everything out," Sieloff said.

### The accounting major

Sitting a few desks away from



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Some Grizzlies prefer a calm midnight library rather than hibernation.

Sieloff is Ali Chehab, a senior accounting major.

Chehab arrived at Kresge between 9 and 10 p.m. He said he comes often and sometimes will be at Kresge until class the next morning. Chehab is taking 9 credit hours, each class at the 400 level. He commutes but said he stays on campus to study.

"If I go home, I'm going to go to sleep," Chehab said. "There's a lot of distractions at home."

While it can be rough, Chehab said his study habits have always been like this. His best friend is Monster Energy Drink.

One thing Chehab said he wishes he had done was to be more active on campus.

"Make the most of it," Chehab said. "Be proactive with your studies. Try to work as a team with your classmates. Experience the fun parts."

### The psychology major

Samantha Graf, a senior psychology and English literature major, has taken over one of the study rooms on the first floor.

"I usually pull two all-nighters during Monday through Friday," Graf said. "I'm here a lot."

In addition to classes, Graf said she works full time at a brewery in Troy. Monday is her only day off, and she spends much of it at Kresge.

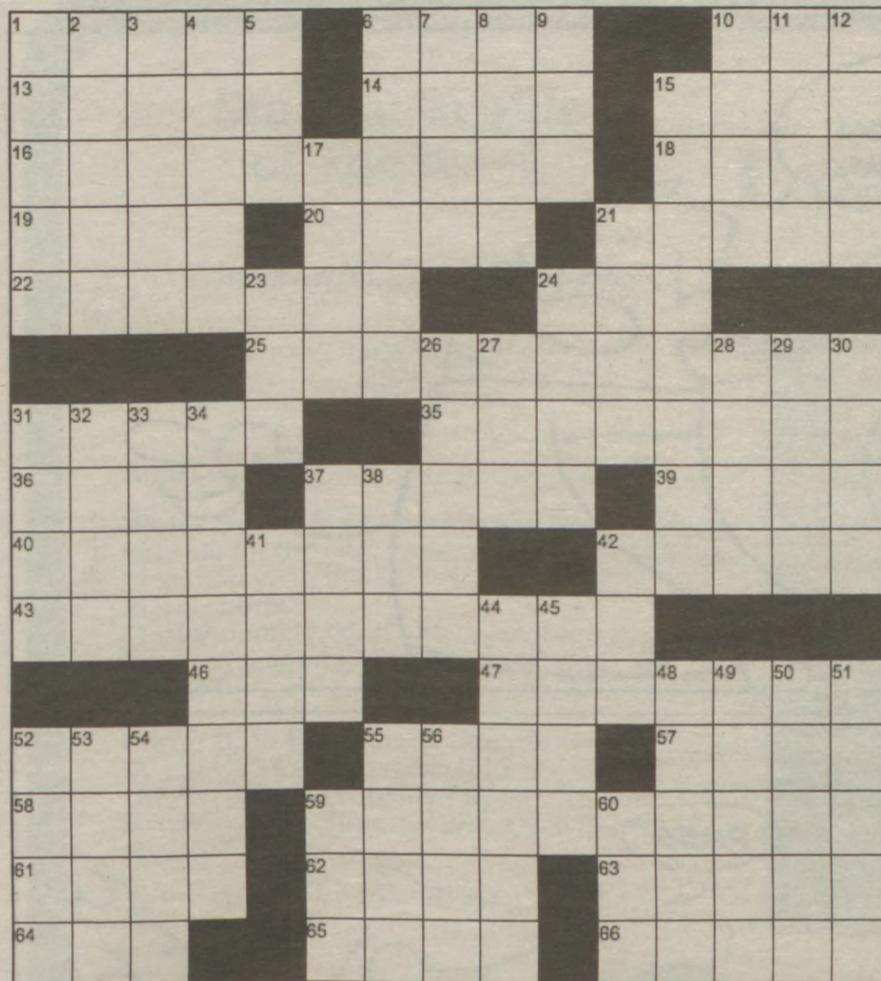
"This is the best place to study in my opinion because it's quiet and you can have your own rooms," Graf said.

Graf said that she advises students to take philosophy, ethics and religion classes.

"For me, it was the best thing I did in college," Graf said.

Graf said she wishes younger students the best of luck.

# Puzzles



## Across

1. Hoofbeat sounds
6. A pink one means trouble
10. Crone
13. Summarize
14. Plate of glass
15. Magic African charm
16. Quip, continued
18. Word of woe
19. Too diluted
20. Crimsons
21. TV spy Maxwell
22. One of 100 in Washington
24. Hansom vehicle
25. Working
31. Floral display
35. Landing field
36. Pigeons' house
37. Motionless
39. Holiday nights
40. Old building substance
42. Almost eternity
43. Heat-of-the-moment determiner
46. T-bar offering
47. Says by heart
52. Fix, as a computer
55. Body's companion
57. Connecting point

58. Emulsifying agent
59. Flower displayed at Christmas
61. Medicinal amount
62. Attractive guy
63. Developer's land
64. Can opener?
65. Vexes
66. Future stallions

## Down

1. Space shuttle squads
2. Embankment down by the riverside
3. Dolphins' home
4. Arctic jacket
5. Undercover worker
6. Orb
7. Given the ax, with off
8. Roadside stops
9. Links tee
10. Hawaiian dance
11. Nearly closed
12. Burst of wind
15. Scout's gala
17. De\_\_\_ (too much)
21. Uttered
23. Diminutive dog
24. Letters on a keyboard key
26. Paycheck booster
27. Feel unwell
28. De \_\_\_ (from the beginning)
29. Last word in prayer
30. Minus
31. 'Flee, feline!'
32. Fancy-schmancy
33. Pajamas cover
34. What changing the f-stop changes
37. Put into the overhead bin
38. Quarterback Brady of the Patriots
41. Cause of a bad hair day
42. Eyebrow shape
44. Luggage
45. They get into sushi
48. Debut
49. Add up
50. Undemocratic law
51. Pants' parts
52. Baby's favorite art movement?
53. Qualities of the conceited
54. Celebration
55. Acidic
56. Sty cry
59. Upsilon follower
60. List abbr.



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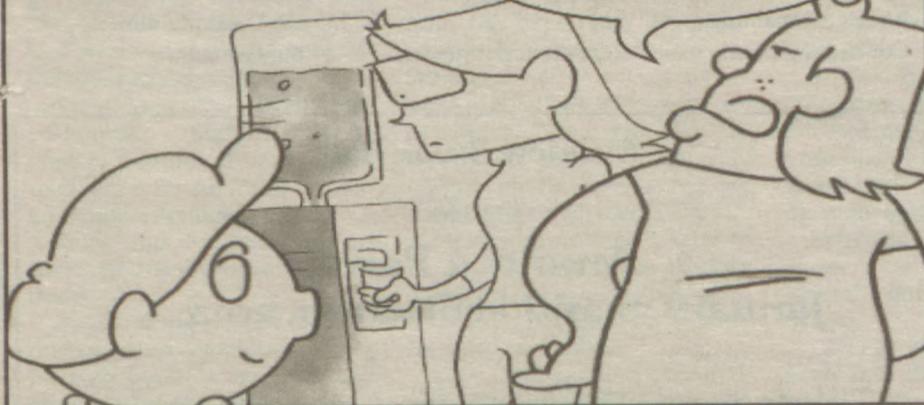
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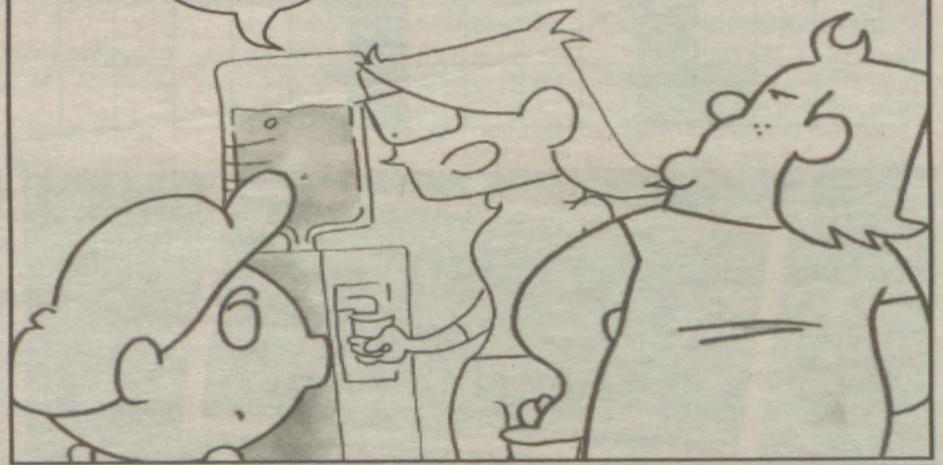


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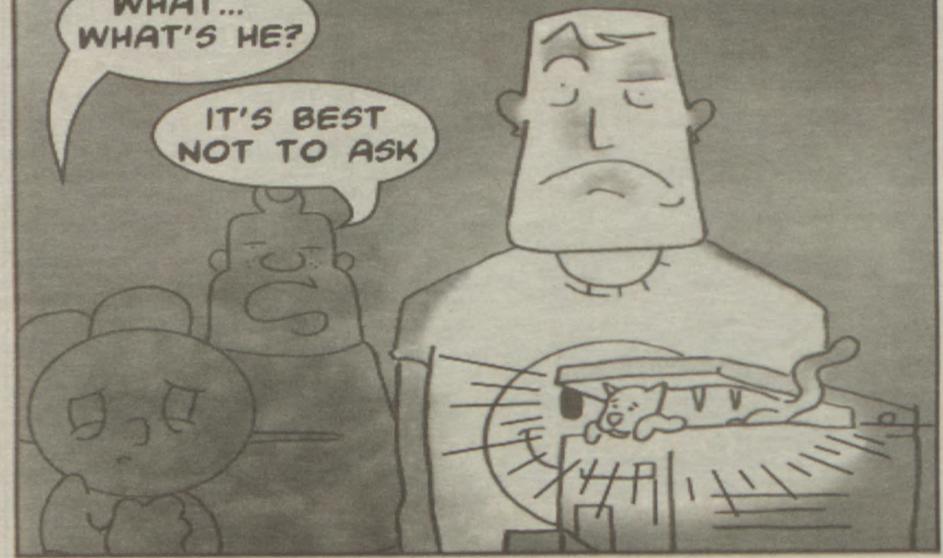


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WHAT'S HE?

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NOT TO ASK



## Student Profile of the Week

# Gary Essenmacher

*Communication Major. Junior. Nickname: Gar-bear. Height: 6'2"*

Chris Peralta  
Staff Reporter



### Age/Level: 20

**Water Sport:** Essenmacher has been playing hole set for the club water polo team since his freshman year, but he hasn't played any intramural sports. "Unfortunately I don't have any time to play intramural sports," Essenmacher said. "But I'd love to."

**Prime time Fan:** I enjoy reading and watching TV shows," Essenmacher said. "My favorite is probably Psych...but I also like shows like Supernatural. I'm a big fan of fantasy."

## POLICE FILES

### Stolen property in P 17

OUPD was dispatched to P 17 Nov. 11 at 4:15 p.m.

A university worker had called the campus police because he believed someone had stolen the housing for the blinker light on his van.

The university worker had been parked in P 17 from 7:55 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. When he returned to his van he noticed the housing was gone on the passenger side.

OUPD discovered scratches in the paint, but could not uncover fingerprints.

Officers later reviewed the security camera's feed. They did not see anyone approach the front passenger side of the van but the owner.

OUPD closed the case because there was not an incident.

### Female cited for alcohol use

Campus police responded to a complaint of intoxicated people at Hill House Nov. 13 at 1:30 a.m.

A Nightwatch worker, who called OUPD, said one female and two males signed in as visitors and appeared to be under the influence.

Officers went to the dorm that the visitors signed into and heard several people talking about moonshine and doing shots.

After knocking, officers were let into the dorm room. There were five people in the room: two males over 21 and three females under 21. Two of the women were drinking. One had a blood alcohol level of .01, while the other was .19

They offered consent to OUPD to search the room, where they discovered cherry-flavored moonshine.

OUPD issued two citations for minor in possession. After checking the database, officers learned that the woman with the highest blood alcohol level had four outstanding warrants for minor in possession.

The other agencies were contacted and they advised OU officers to warn the woman about her warrants then release her.

—Compiled by Haley Kotwicki,  
Chief Copy Editor

## Grizzlies on the Prowl:

*"What do you know about the Beckie Francis case?"*



**Roselyn Baerg, biology**

"Is that the woman suing the school?"



**Jordan Reed, communication**

"No, no."



**Noel Kucharczyk, journalism**

"I don't know anything about it."

—Compiled by Ali DeRees Staff Reporter  
Photos by Kailey Johnson, Photographer

SATIRE

## The great peanut butter debate

*In a world of crunchy and creamy, which will you choose?*



Photo Illustration by Jon Davis/The Oakland Post

After hours of heated debate, the war has gotten worse. Editor-in-Chief Scott Wolchek takes a beating from Distributor Parker Simmons because they just can't see eye-to-eye.

**Scott Wolchek**  
Editor-in-Chief /  
King of crunchy

I arrived at my apartment after a long day of work to find my friends harassing one of my roommates, Brandon Hartley, for eating crunchy peanut butter.

They were saying that creamy was dreamy.

They acted like crunchy peanut butter was dangerous — saying the nuts inside would cut the roofs of their mouths.

My roommate and Oakland Post distributor, Parker Simmons, is a creamy peanut butter enthusiast, and he asked me which one I preferred.

I brought the crunch down on him.

An aimless debate sparked and a peanut-buttery bloodbath ensued: names were called, punches were thrown and nutritional facts were read.

Things got nutty.

I asked how many people in the room had written reports on George Washington Carver, the creator of peanut butter.

Brandon, Parker and I all raised our hands. One of us wasn't telling the truth.

You see, Parker spreads his lies like he spreads his creamy peanut butter on burned pieces of toast.

Some of Parker's peanut butter propaganda included, "I like my peanut butter as smooth as my personality," and, "That statement is as hard to swallow as your crunchy peanut butter."

I could've let it go. But I, like most overweight Americans, will fight tooth, claw and nail to prove that my opinion and taste buds are superior.

I took the creamy vs. crunchy carnage to social media networks.

I went to Twitter. I kept using the hashtag #TeamCrunchy

My roommate and crunchy peanut butter connoisseur, Brandon, began to research health facts around this time.

I posted on Facebook, "Which is better? Crunchy peanut butter or creamy? Team crunchy all day baby." It received an outstanding 11 likes and 60 comments, including notable gems such as 'Crunch foo' since '92,' OU senior, Conner Matteson wrote.

"Guess who's having an English muffin with creamy peanut butter and Concord grape jam right now? This guy," Goldfish swim instructor, Kristopher Schermerhorn wrote.

"Listen here you swine, I will agree that traditional Peanut Butter and Jelly calls for creamy peanut butter, but you gotta live, man," Oakland Post copy editor, Brian Figurski wrote.

"CRUNCHYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY ALL DAY ERRYYYYY DAY," OU senior, Ashley Butala wrote.

Around this time, Brandon made some interesting discoveries.

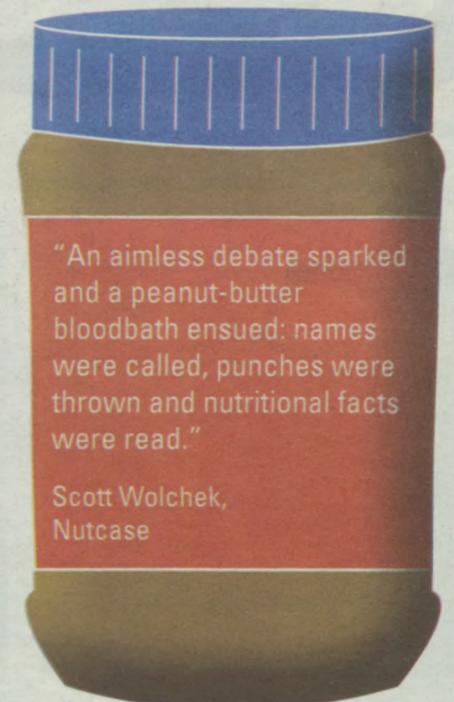
According to the National Peanut Board, women and children prefer creamy, while men prefer crunchy. He also found that creamy peanut butter has more saturated fat in it than crunchy.

Sure, the National Peanut Board might also say that 60 percent of consumers prefer creamy, but crunchy enthusiasts are fine being non-conformists.

I know I am. I gotta have my crunch.

And just from thinking 'bout that decadent, crunchtastic texture — I'm salivating right now.

What this battle of the nutty minds has made me realize is that this argument may never end. There are many philosophical debates to be made about what composes the perfect peanut butter and jelly sandwich — what's the correct ratio of jelly to peanuts? Is



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Scott Wolchek,  
Nutcase

the bread supposed to be toasted? These are on par with pondering the meaning of life.

But the one thing we can all agree on is that pumpernickel is the superior bread and nobody likes to eat raspberry preserves.