

# YOU NEWS

February 6, 1979

## Iranian expert gives lecture

One of America's leading experts on Iran will discuss the political crisis in that nation and its implications for the United States in a free public lecture February 7 at Oakland University.

James A. Bill, associate director of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies at the University of Texas, will speak at noon in the Gold Room of the Oakland Center.

Bill has consulted with White House officials on Iran, and he was interviewed at length over CBS news during that television network's recent coverage of events in the riot-torn country. A question and answer session will follow the formal discussion.

The speaker did research in Iran from 1965-67, in 1970, 1974, and again in 1975. He is the author or co-author of numerous books including **The Politics of Iran**, **Politics and Petroleum: The United States and the Middle East**, and the forthcoming **Politics in the Middle East**.

He has made presentations before the Foreign Service Institute, the Asia Society, and the U.S. Department of State, among others. Bill is a

member of the Iran Council of the Asia Society and the Society for Iranian Studies. He is a Fellow of the Middle East Studies Association of North America.

## Nominees wanted for Wilson Awards

The Wilson Awards Committee requests Oakland University students, faculty and staff help in the selection of the 1978-79 recipients of the Matilda R. and Alfred G. Wilson Awards by submitting names of persons who exemplify the spirit of the awards. Nomination forms are available in 101 North Foundation Hall, CIPO and at the reception desk in Vandenberg Hall. Forms should be returned to Patricia Houtz no later than Friday, February 23.

The two senior students selected to receive the Matilda R. and Alfred G. Wilson Awards are judged on their contributions as scholars, as leaders and as responsible citizens of the institution—noting especially if they have given evidence of an interest in the social problems of our community and our society. The selections must be made from among those students who were graduated in June, August, and December, 1978, or who will complete their graduation requirements by April 1979.

# IN THE SPOTLIGHT

**Actors whose** professional credits include appearances in New York, Hollywood and London have been cast in the Meadow Brook Theatre's production of Noel Coward's farce, **BLITHE SPIRIT** which opened a four-week run on Thursday, February 1.

Michael Allinson, who captivated Meadow Brook audiences earlier this season as General Burgoyne in **THE DEVIL'S DISCIPLE**, has returned to play the central role that Coward himself originated in London. The character is Charles Condomine, a cool novelist, a scoffer at the idea of ghosts. His troubles begin when he arranges a seance in his country home to get material for a new book, bringing in a kooky medium for the purpose, named Madame Arcati, who will be played by Jeanne Arnold. Miss Arnold will be remembered for her outstanding performances last year at Meadow Brook in **SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER**, **PICNIC** and **THE CORN IS GREEN**.

Madame Arcati is piqued that Condomine doubts her occult powers and she demonstrates her gift in a way the novelist can never forget. She summons up the spirit of Evira, Condomine's departed first wife. Evira's ghost can only be seen and heard by Condomine, much to the consternation of his second wife, Ruth, who will be played by Valerie French. Evira will be portrayed by Cheryl Giannini, a

popular Meadow Brook actress who most recently played Lady India in **RING ROUND THE MOON** last month. Others in the production will be Ken Graham, Mary Benson and Louise Martin.

**BLITHE SPIRIT** is being staged by Terence Kilburn with a setting by Donald Beckman, lights by Fred Fonner and costumes by Mary Lynn Bonnell.

Tickets for **BLITHE SPIRIT**, which will run through February 25, may be purchased at Hudson's or by calling the Meadow Brook Theatre box office, 377-3300.

Performances are scheduled at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 6 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. on Saturdays, 6:30 p.m. on Sundays and 2 p.m. on Wednesdays.

**Chrysler Corporation** has decided to accept a Master of Electrical and Computer Engineering degree program at Oakland University as one option for graduate trainees in the Chrysler Institute of Engineering.

Approval was received this week according to Mohammed S. Ghausi, dean of the OU School of Engineering. Chrysler trainees will be accepted into the program in the 1979-80 academic year, Ghausi said.

The Chrysler Institute of Engineering selects 25 outstanding baccalaureate students each year, provides them with full-time positions at a competitive salary, and provides two free days each week for the trainees to complete a two-year master's degree program at the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus.

Now, students interested in a Master's in Electrical and Computer Engineering will have the option of attending Oakland University.

Dean Ghausi said he was pleased with the Chrysler decision. He noted that a number of OU engineering students have been selected for this prestigious program over each of the past several years.

"The quality of engineering education at Oakland University is being recognized in the industrial community as well as in engineering institutions," the dean said.

**The Theatre Arts** program will present Richard Brinsley Sheridan's romantic comedy "The Rivals" in a 10 performance run opening February 15.

The 18th Century comedy of manners will be performed Thursdays through Sundays February 15-18 and February 22-25 at 8:30 p.m. in the Studio Theatre of Varner Hall. There will be 2:30 p.m. matinees on February 18 and 25.

The student cast will present a free preview performance at 8:30 p.m. on February 14 for the benefit of area deaf persons. Experts will use the language of sign to present the action of the play to the audience.

Sheridan's reputation in the top rank of English comic writers rests chiefly on "The Rivals" and "The School of Scandal," plays that have enjoyed a continuing popularity from Sheridan's time to the present. "The Rivals" was first presented in 1775 at Covent Garden Theatre and "School for Scandal" was produced in 1777 at Drury Lane.

The action of "The Rivals" takes place at Bath, a fashionable resort in the west of England. The major characters include Kevin Dockery as Sir Anthony Absolute, Kathy Simmerman as Mrs. Malaprop, Christopher Howe as Captain Absolute, and Kim Werkman

as the captain's love interest, Lydia Languish. Faculty member David Stevens has the role of the feisty Sir Lucius O'Trigger and Richard Klessig has the high comedy role of Faulkland.

Tickets for the performances are \$3 general admission and \$2 for OU students. For information call 377-2000.

**Henry VIII**, a monarch whose love affairs were both very fiery and very final, will be saluted February 14 at the 8th annual Valentine's Day concert at the university.

The Renaissance Ensemble will feature songs written by or for the English king in a concert entitled "A Salute to Henry VIII."

The single performance will be at 8 p.m. in Varner Recital Hall. The artistically inclined will be admitted for one homemade valentine. Others will pay \$1.

The concert will include songs from Renaissance Germany, Medieval France, and Elizabethan England. The concert will be performed in costume by musicians using reproductions of instruments of the time such as the hurdie-gurdie, crumhorn, lute, recorder, and viol. Director of the ensemble is Lyle Nordstrom.

For ticket information call 377-2000.

**Prize-winning** pianist Cynthia Raim will present a free public concert February 7 at 1 p.m. in Varner Recital Hall.

The artist is a native of Pontiac and currently a student of Rudolf Serkin at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia.

The afternoon recital is sponsored by the OU Concert/Lecture Board. In addition, there will be a special lecture-

recital that evening for members of the OU Honors College.

Cynthia Raim was winner of the recent Three Rivers Festival Chopin Competition which resulted in a concert appearance with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. She made her debut with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at the age of 9.

For additional information call 377-4450.

## FOR YOUR INFO

**David W. Shantz**, associate professor and chairperson, Oakland University Department of Psychology, has been elected to the Council of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP).

Shantz will begin a three year term on June 10. The Council determines policies and programs for the AAUP representing 80,000 members.

A member of the OU faculty since 1967, Shantz holds an undergraduate degree from Bethel College and the master's and Ph.D. from Purdue University.

His major research interests are aggressive behavior in children and social-personality development. Shantz resides in Lathrup Village.

**Keith Stanovich**, psychology, was the senior author of an article recently published in the journal **Child Development**. The paper was entitled "A Developmental Study of the Category Effect in Visual Search."

**The annual** indoor float contest, which features children's wagons decorated as floats, has been slated for February 16. The contest will be held at 12:30 p.m. in the Oakland Center.

A float parade will begin in south cafeteria, travel to fireside lounge, and travel back to south cafeteria. Judges will be observing from various places along the float path. They will decide on the winners, and the lucky winners will be announced at the dance in the Crockery immediately following.

Three prizes of \$40.00 will be awarded for the "Most Original," "Most Related to Winter," and the "Most Absurd" floats.

CIPO is sponsoring the indoor float contest as a part of Winter Carnival 1979. Any organized group—student, faculty, or staff—may participate.

Pick up rules and entry blanks at CIPO, 49 Oakland Center.

**The deadline** for applications for undergraduate research grants has been extended to February 16. All sophomores, juniors, and seniors are eligible to compete for the awards of \$200 or less to support a research project.

Applications should contain a budget and a narrative of two pages or less co-signed by a faculty sponsor. The narrative should establish the objectives and the significance of the proposed work, the methods to be employed, and the qualifications of

the investigator. Blank forms are available in the Office of Research Services, 364 South Foundation Hall. For further information, call Barbara Biallas, 377-3222.

**James Comas** of the Naval Research Laboratory will discuss "Ion Implantation Doping of Semiconductors" in a 1:30 p.m. seminar on February 8. The seminar will be held in 239 Dodge Hall. Comas has a bachelor's degree in physics and math from Gettysburg College and a master's and Ph.D. from the University of Delaware in solid state physics. He spent two years as a national science council postdoctoral fellow at the Naval Research lab, during which time he studied chemisouptive luminescence, oxidation and radiation damage.

At present he is section head of the ion implantation technology and devices section at the Naval Research lab, a group which is primarily concerned with basic and applied research in the doping of semiconductors by ion implantation.

**Oakland University** is the exclusive Michigan site for the first coast-to-coast "Meet-Me" Seminar on how to use teleconferencing (using a telephone network) for instructional purposes. The "hands-on" interactive seminar will link 19 educational institutions. Equipment will include Darone convenors and microphones, the Bell System's new electronic blackboard and regular telephone lines.

Most registrants will not be associated with the university. However, there may be an opportunity for a limited number of faculty/administrators to attend one or more of the four afternoon sessions on February 13, 15, 27 and March 1.

Anyone interested should call Audrey Marriner in Continuing Education.

**Cordell W. Black**, Learning Skills, was awarded a 1979 Research Fellowship from the University Research Committee in the amount of \$3,350.

Black's research in 17th century French literature is entitled, "A Comparative Analysis of the Cornelian and Racinian Tragic Denouement."

**Egbert W. Henry**, biological sciences, recently presented the results of research done by himself and a recent Oakland graduate, Larry B. Richard. They presented "The Effects of Ethephon on Enzyme Activity in Apical Tissue Chloroplasts of *Nicotiana tabacum*," at the American Association for the Advancement of Science meeting held in Houston, Texas, on January 3-8.

## JOBS

**Digital Technician**, CT-10, a permanent full-time position in the School of Engineering.

**Senior Text Book Clerk**, CT-5, a permanent full-time position in the Bookcenter.

**Library Assistant**, CT-5, a permanent full-time position in the Kresge Library.

**Secretary**, CT-5, a permanent full-time position in the Evening Program, Center for General and Career Studies.

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# CALENDAR

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- 12 nn Iran and the Crisis of '79, Professor James A. Bill, Gold Room A & B, Area Studies, CIPO
- 1-3 p.m. Performance by classical pianist Cynthia Raim, Varner Recital Hall, CLB

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- 12 nn Seminar: "The Basics of Jewish Belief," 125 OC, Jewish Student Organization
- 1:30 p.m. Seminar, Dr. James Comas, Naval Research Laboratory in Washington D.C., 239 DH, Engineering
- 7-11 p.m. Film, **Which Way is Up?**, Gold ABC, OC, Intrepid Souls
- 7:30 p.m. Christian Fellowship Meeting, 4th Floor VBH, Lounge

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- Last day for degree candidates to submit applications for degrees.
- 7 & 9:30 p.m. UNICON presents **The Deep**, 201 DH, CLB
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Swimming vs. Ohio State, Sports & Rec.
- 8:00 p.m. Yuri Egorov, pianist, Varner Recital Hall

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- 12:30 p.m. "Outlook '79," OU's Dr. Brian Cover with nationally renowned expert on Iran, Dr. James Bill of the U. of Texas, begins a two part series on the Chaos in Iran, past and present, WPON Radio-WPON AM
- 1 p.m. Women's Swimming vs. Michigan State, Sports & Rec.
- 2 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Hillsdale, Sports & Rec.

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- 3-6 p.m. MB Estate Performance, Varner Recital Hall, President's Office

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- 8 a.m. Bagel Sale, Table #6, OC, Sigma Iota

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Meadow Brook Theater presents **Blithe Spirit**, Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 2:00 p.m. Matinee; Saturday, 6:00 & 9:30 p.m.; and Sunday, 6:30 p.m., WB.

For news of daily campus events call the OU Hotline at 377-4265. Submit calendar items to CIPO, 49 OC, 377-2020.