

OU NEWS

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Research fellowships top \$50,000

Fifteen Oakland University professors have won 1979 Research Fellowships totaling more than \$50,000.

The competitive awards were made by the University Research Committee to enhance scholarships on the part of the faculty. The research areas range from biological sciences and chemistry to modern languages and learning skills.

The winners and their projects are:

Mary Dutton, chemistry, \$3,595 for research on "New Approaches to Anelation (ring-forming) Reactions"; **Michael Chopp**, physics, \$3,300 for "Waveform Analysis of Intracranial Pressures"; **William Bryant**, modern languages and literatures, \$3,600 to produce "A Critical Edition of Martin de Leon's Historia del Huerfano"; **Jerrold Grossman**, mathematical sciences, \$3,200 to study "Ramsey Theory for Sets and Graphs"; **Egbert W. Henry**, biological sciences, \$3,600 for research on "An Ultrastructural and Biochemical Study of Isolated and Whole Chloroplasts to Ascertain the Origin and Ontogeny of Polyphenol Oxidase Activity."

Other winners were **David Jaynes**, modern languages and literatures, \$3,250 for a study of "Pascal and the Philosophers"; **Ann Sakal**, biological sciences, \$3,890 for research on "Geographical and Habitat Variation in Sex Expression in Silver Maple"; **Richard Tucker**, history,

\$3,600 to research "The History of Environmental Decline in the Himalayan Watershed: Dehra Dun District, India: 1815-1947"; **J. Barry Tureff**, mathematical sciences, \$3,325 to study "A Fixed Point Theorem for Nonexpansive Mappings."

Campus may be potential oil site

An Oil Well In OU's Future? The university has been approached by Reef Petroleum Corporation for permission to conduct exploratory soundings on the university campus.

The university has not responded to the proposal as yet, according to President O'Dowd. He said that neither the procedures nor the implications of the oil company's proposal are known to the university and that any formulation of the university position would not come until the Board of Trustees has had a chance to discuss the proposal.

OU is just one of many sites in the county with potential for oil exploration. Several other sites have already been drilled for oil and natural gas.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

More than 50 Oakland County public librarians and library trustees attended the Reference Hotline Workshop, held at the University Library on December 1. Funded by a grant from the Oakland County Library Board, the Hotline provides county residents with rapid telephone reference service as well as interlibrary loan and photocopying service through their public libraries, free of charge. A staff of two, a librarian and a clerk, provide these services from a small office in the Kresge Library Building.

The Reference Hotline is a unique arrangement between the University Library and the surrounding community. It allows the public libraries in Oakland County to utilize Oakland University's Library resources when their own have been exhausted, before they seek interlibrary cooperation outside the county. Last year, Hotline staff handled over 5,300 interlibrary loan requests and over 2,400 reference questions.

The Workshop participants were given demonstrations of modern library technology, including the Ohio College Library Center's automated cataloging system and the Bibliographic Retrieval Services subject data bases. They also received a tour of the University Library Special Collections.

New dimensions in women's lives will be explored in three nondegree courses offered by the Division of Continuing Education at off-campus sites beginning the week of January 22.

Four and five-week courses will deal with new demands and goals important to women in their changing role today.

Job-hunting techniques will be presented in the course **Writing a Resume and Marketing Yourself**, which will be offered at Harrison High School, Farmington Hills. **Assessing one's skills**, selling oneself through an effective resume tailored to the job opportunity, special job-hunting techniques, and rehearsing the job interview will be covered in the four-week course.

Isabel F. Smith, M.A., of Birmingham, financial planner, counselor and lecturer, will conduct the course from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Mondays, beginning January 22.

It's Your World, five sessions designed to help women control their lives, will be conducted by Isabel Smith from 7:45 to 9:30 p.m., Wednesdays, beginning January 24, at Stevenson High School, Sterling Heights.

Areas to be covered include communicating for success through body language, improving verbal and written communication skills, understanding power (how to get it and how to use it), solving problems, making decisions, and managing money.

A unique journal-keeping course designed to expand self-awareness and creativity will be conducted by Judith Goren, M.Ed., of Birmingham, certified social worker and published poet, on Thursdays, beginning January 25. The five-week course will meet from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Birmingham Center for Continuing Education. Participants will be encouraged to discover new perspectives on their thoughts, resolve personal concerns, and document important events in their lives. A variety of approaches to journal-keeping will be outlined.

For a brochure detailing the courses, call the Continuing Education office, 377-3120.

The totals on your paychecks will change this month. Social security taxes are being increased, while federal withholding rates for income taxes have been lowered.

The social security rate increase is from 6.08% to 6.13% of earnings, and the taxable wage base has been raised from \$17,700 to \$22,900. The maximum social security tax has increased \$332.92 to \$1,403.77.

The withholding rates for income taxes have been lowered because the Revenue Act of 1978 provides for lower tax rates for most taxpayers. The personal exemption has been raised from \$750 to \$1,000 and the zero bracket amount (formerly the standard deduction) has been increased. For married taxpayers filing joint returns, the zero tax bracket is \$3,400 (from \$3,200); for single persons and unmarried heads-of-household, the zero bracket amount has increased \$100 to \$2,300.

Notification of the tax changes will be forwarded to all employees with paychecks this month, according to Robert J. McGarry, controller.

The Continuum Center at Oakland University is now taking advance registrations for a new series of personal development workshops and professional training programs scheduled to begin in January.

The Center offers adult counseling and leadership training with the help of grants from the National Institute of Mental Health, the Administration on Aging, and the Michigan Department of Education.

Programs include personal growth and career-related programs, as well as special programs related to aging parents, adjusting to retirement, divorce, and talking with your physician.

Training is offered to professionals and paraprofessionals in the helping professions, who provide services to other people.

A special one-day workshop for musical directors of school jazz and show choirs will be held Saturday, January 27, in Varner Hall.

Kirby Shaw, author of "Vocal Jazz Style" and renowned arranger-composer, will be the keynote speaker. He will present two topics: "Jazz and Pop Styles" and "Stylization and Improvisation." Currently teaching at the College of the Siskiyous in California, Dr. Shaw has been a leading force in jazz choir movement.

Multi-talented singer, dancer and actress, Stevie Rivers, will present "Creating Effective Movement." Rivers has worked with many university show choirs across the country and is the principal choreographer for Oakland University's own "Meadow Brook Estate."

Exclusive performances of University of Michigan's "aMaizin' Blues" and Oakland's "Meadow Brook Estate" will be part of the day's events. Musical directors are also invited to bring their school choirs for performances and constructive comments from the guest speakers.

Persons interested in attending this workshop should contact the conference department, 377-3272.

FOR YOUR INFO

The university has been invited to nominate students for awards under the First-Year/Michigan College Fellowship program for 1979-80. The program provides fellowship support to outstanding first-year graduate students at the University of Michigan. Fields not eligible for support are Business Administration, Dentistry, Law, Medicine, Music, Public Health and Social Work.

Interested students should immediately contact Alan Scott, Career Advising & Placement Office, 201 Wilson Hall for further information and to pick up application blanks and/or recommendation forms. Deadline for picking up applications is Friday, January 19.

If your academic requirements for degree will be completed during the winter semester, students are required to file an application for degree form no later than 3:00 p.m., Friday, February 9. Application forms, available at the registrar's office, 161 North Foundation Hall, must be submitted to the cashier's office, 120 North Foundation Hall, with the \$10.00 application fee. Failure to apply will result in a deferred graduation.

Students who apply for winter semester degrees and meet all academic requirements for their programs by April 26 will be honored at the June 2 commencement ceremonies. At that time their diplomas, dated April 26, 1979, will also be available. The April date will also be the date of degree posted to academic records.

If you have any questions about the term or date in which to file your application for degree, contact the registrar's office for specifics, 377-3450.

Stevie Rivers, actress, singer, and choreographer, will explore the musical theater's treatment of women and their feelings in a one-woman show on January 21.

The public is invited to the production of "Hats Off To Women" slated for 3 p.m. in the Studio Theatre of Varner Hall. Tickets are \$2 for students and senior citizens and \$3 general admission.

Stevie Rivers is now working as choreographer for the Meadow Brook Estate, the jazz and show ensemble at Oakland University. Previous experience includes being guest lecturer and choreographer for 17 colleges and universities, guest at the Fred Waring Workshop, working in television musicals, and acting as guest soloist in the Brahms Requiem.

Stevie Rivers is a graduate of Indiana University where she toured for the USO with the Singing Hoosiers, performed at the Ballet Company there, and choreographed two homecoming shows for Bob Hope.

For ticket information call 377-2000.

From time to time the motor pool receives inquiries about rental of motor pool vehicles for personal use or about use of motor pool facilities for maintenance of personal vehicles. In response, the department requested the reprinting of the policy on these matters:

1. Use of official university vehicles for personal travel is not permitted. Even where the potential user offers to pay personally for the usage, it is not an acceptable diversion of university resources. University vehicles are intended only for official university business travel.

2. Use of university repair facilities for maintenance of personal vehicles is strictly prohibited. Such activity is an inappropriate use of state property and cannot be permitted. Such activity also represents a significant health and safety hazard and as such is unacceptable. The presence of unauthorized personnel in vehicle maintenance areas is strictly prohibited.

Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Frederick Obear has named the members of the search committee who have agreed to work with him to find a replacement for Dean Norton Seeber, school of Economics and Management. Seeber announced earlier he did not wish to be considered for another term when his appointment as dean expired.

The members of the search committee are: John E. Tower, chairman, George F. Feeman, Alice C. Gorlin, Karl D. Gregory, Margaret Kurzyniec, Stephen W. Meese, and Miron Stano. The committee has set a goal of identifying a new dean by June 1.

Joe Euculano, formerly the coordinator of student organizations in the office of Campus Information, Programs, and Organizations (CIPO), has been named the assistant director and coordinator of information and services for that office. Euculano joined the university in 1977. Kathleen Abraham, a graduate of Stanford University, has been named the new coordinator of student organizations. Abraham has a master's degree from Stanford in education and was enrolled in the doctoral program in education counseling at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Sandra Webster, psychology, co-authored a paper on "Human Female Chronic Marijuana Use and Endocrine Functioning," which was presented November 7 at the eighth annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience in St. Louis, MO.

JOBS

Business Manager for Residence Halls, AP-V, a permanent full-time position in the Department of Residence Halls.

Public Safety Officer, a permanent full-time position in the Department of Public Safety.

Senior Production Control Clerk, CT-8, a permanent full-time position in the Department of Computer Services.

Student Accounts Assistant, CT-7, a permanent full-time position in the Department of Computer Services.

Student Accounts Assistant, CT-7, a permanent full-time position in Student Accounts-Financial Aid Accounting Department, Office of Business Affairs.

Secretary and Records Coordinator, CT-5, a permanent full-time position in the Department of Undergraduate Advising and Counseling, Office of Student Services.

Technical Department Secretary, CT-4, a permanent full-time position in the School of Engineering.

Clerk Typist, CT-1, a permanent full-time position in the Office of Admissions.

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CALENDAR

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

- 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Christian Literature Table, Table #1, OC
8:30 p.m. Meadow Brook Theatre presents **The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial**, WH

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

- 9-5 p.m. Bagel Sale, Table #6, OC, BI-Lateral Production
12nn-3 p.m. Assertiveness Training: An Introduction by Jane Swoba, Women's Center, 18 OC
2 p.m. Matinee Meadow Brook Theatre presents **The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial**, WH
& 8:30 p.m.
7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball vs Wright State, Home

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

- 12nn-1 p.m. Pre-Law Society Meeting, Lounge II, OC
6 p.m. Women's Basketball vs Delta College, Home
6:30 p.m. Bus leaves for Annie Fisher Theatre, CIPO Travel Program
7 p.m. Ecumenical Worship, St. John Fisher Chapel, Campus Ministry
7:30 p.m. Christian Fellowship Meeting, 4th Floor, East Lounge, VBH
8:30 p.m. Meadow Brook Theatre presents **The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial**, WH

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

- Last day for late registration and last day for "No Record Drop"
Last day for adding without a late add fee
Tuition not paid by this date may result in cancellation of registration
7 p.m. Women's Swimming vs University of Cincinnati, Home
7:30 p.m. Men's Swimming vs University of Cincinnati, Home
8:30 p.m. Meadow Brook Theatre presents **The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial**, WH

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

- 2 p.m. Men's Basketball vs Saginaw Valley, Home
4 p.m. Women's Basketball vs Saginaw Valley, Home
6 p.m. & Meadow Brook Theatre presents **The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial**, WH
9:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

- 9 & 11 a.m. Catholic Mass, St. John Fisher Chapel, Campus Ministry
1-5 p.m. Meadow Brook Hall Tours, Adm. \$2 OU Students, under 12 and over 75; \$3.50 adults
3 & 7 p.m. Cinematheque presents Jack Clayton's **The Innocents**, 201 DH
3 p.m. One Woman Show: **Hats Off To Women** by Stevie Rivers, Varner Recital Hall

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

- 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Bagel Sale, Table in OC, Six-Pack Inc.