



# OU NEWS

## Three units win T/L awards

Three academic units have received awards from the Teaching and Learning Committee for Educational Development Fund Proposals.

Winners are Mary Otto and William Moorhouse, \$600 to explore a new teaching sequence tract in Human Resource Development; Donald Malm, mathematics, \$120 for materials needed for a computer program for the teaching of mathematics; and William Schwab, linguistics, \$600 to expand his program of teaching English as a second language.

Otto and Moorhouse will study the needs of business and industry to develop a

program that will respond to these areas needs for continuing education of employees. Representatives from business and industry will be invited to collaborate with faculty from the School of Human and Educational Services to see that this program has academic integrity and applicable to persons already in the work force.

Malm will purchase computer packages to be used in teaching sophomore and freshman mathematics classes. The programs will be obtained from CONDUIT, a non-profit organization that distributes high quality software, Malm said. Various

department members will use the materials starting with the fall of 1981.

Schwab reports that the Department of Linguistics has been working to develop a language program for students for whom English is a second language and in making resources available to non-native professional persons and groups in this area who require assistance in improving their linguistic competence in English. The Educational Development Fund grant will allow consultants to evaluate that proposed program and to answer questions about instruction, research, and administration of such a program.

## Gerontology committee formed

Oakland University has formed a committee to investigate further coordination and emphasis in the area of gerontology.

Frederick W. Obeare, academic vice-president and provost, said the committee is chaired by Harold Zepelin, psychology.

Other members of the committee are Evelyn Boyd, health sciences; Diane Lenk, nursing; Elinor Waters, Continuum Center; Frank Giblin, Institute of Biological Sciences; Harvey Hohauser, urban affairs; Nahum Madalia, sociology; David Meyer, human and educational services; John Reddan, biological sciences; Miron Strano, eco-

nomics and management; and Carl Vann, political science.

Obeare notes that the growing importance of gerontology is reflected at OU by new course offerings and programs, training and research grants, and numerous contributions to area agencies that deliver services to the elderly.

But Obeare points out that contributions to date have been made by individuals or units working largely in isolation from each other. There is a need for an interchange of ideas and a coordination of efforts among the faculty from diverse units who hold interests in gerontology.

The committee will inventory OU's current teaching, research, and service activities in the field and explore ways in which these commitments can be broadened in a way that will increase impact and visibility.

### Bulletin

The OU Board of Trustees will consider a winter semester tuition hike during the public session of the December 6 board meeting. The recommended increases would average 6%. The lowest range is 75 cents a credit hour for resident lower level undergraduates (2.5%) to a height of \$5.75 for resident graduate tuition (13%).



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## Faculty activities are noted

The Interamerican Society of Psychology, at its recent meeting held jointly with the American Psychological Association at Montreal, voted to present the Third Interamerican Award in Psychology to Professor Jacobo A. Varela who is visiting professor at the School of Economics and Management at Oakland. The award is presented every two years to an individual who has done outstanding professional and scientific contributions to psychology in the Americas.

Professor Varela has recently published a chapter entitled **Conditions Required for a Technology of the Social Sciences in Advances in Applied Social Psychology** coauthored with Helena Reyes, edited by R. Kidd and M. Saks. Another chapter of his will be published by the American Marketing Association in a book entitled **Buyer Seller Interactions**.

The award will be presented at the Bi-Annual Convention, June 1981.

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Pontiac has reappointed B.J. Griffin, secretary to the university interim president, to her fourth term on its Planning and Zoning Commission. Griffin has served continuously on the commission since her first appointment in 1972.

Philip Singer, Sociology/Anthropology and Center for Health Sciences and Carl Vann, Political Science and Center for Health Sciences, were participants in the recent Continuing Education Program sponsored by the Michigan Center for Continuing Education in Osteopathic Medicine. Vann was the program organizer of the seminar, titled "Current Issues in Behavioral Medicine." He spoke on "Clinical Uses of Mental Health Resources by Primary Care Physicians." Singer's lecture was, "Holistic Medicine—Its Parameters and Applications for Hypnosis to Psychic Surgery."

Indra David, library, has been elected president of the Michigan Chapter of the National Librarians Association for 1980/81.

Ronald A. Sudol, Department of Learning Skills, has been appointed to the Task Force on Presidential Communication, a project of the Speech Communication Association. The task force will make an annual assessment of the presidents' communication behaviors. Sudol attended the initial meeting of the task force in New York City on November 15.

Dolores Burdick, modern languages, has published a short story—"The Death of My Husband Ivan Ilych" in the latest issue of **Great River Review**. The story is in the nature of an "intertextual response" to Tolstoy; Burdick was inspired to write it while teaching the Tolstoy story ("The Death of Ivan Ilych") in a recent literature course.

Sid Mittra, economics and management, participated in a symposium at the annual meetings of the International Association of Financial Planners in Boston. The topic was: "The role of the University in the Professional Development of Financial Planners." Mittra has been elected a member of a task force to undertake an in-depth examination of the issue.

Professor Peter G. Evarts, Department of English, presented a paper, "Chaucer's Rhetoric of 'Disynesse,'" at the eleventh annual *Novus et Antiquus*, a conference sponsored by the Committee for the Advancement of Early Studies, at Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

John M. McKinley, physics, is spending his sabbatical year at the Goddard Space Flight Center, one of the NASA labs in Washington, D.C. He is working with Dr. Reuben Ramaty in theoretical studies in the areas of x-ray stars and solar physics. His participation is made possible by a NASA grant.

I. Theodore Landau has recently had the following paper published: Landau, I.T. **Facilitation of Male Sexual Behavior in Adult Male Rats by the Aromatization Inhibitor, 1, 4, 6-androstatriene-3, 17-dione (ATD)**. *Physiology and Behavior*, 1980, **25**, 173-177.

Three library faculty members have reported on their recent professional activities.

Daniel Ring is the editor of "Studies in Creative Partnership: Federal Aid to Public Libraries during the New Deal." Published by Scarecrow Press, 1980. Lois Reilly having served four years as reviewer on the Reference and Subscription Book Review Committee of the American Library Association, has been invited to continue as guest reviewer. Robert Gaylor has been elected treasurer of the Steering Committee of the "Committee of 114." This Committee, a national citizens' lobbying delegation, is composed of 114 professional and lay delegates, elected from each of the states and territories, and is responsible for the implementation of the resolutions of the National White House Conference on Library and Information Services held last year.

I.E. Schochetman, mathematical sciences, gave an invited colloquium address Sept. 9 at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. The topic was "On the Dual of a Continuous Sum of Banach Spaces."

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1980

# CALENDAR

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

10 am Christmas at Meadow Brook Hall  
8 pm Black Coffee, Varner Studio  
8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

10 am Christmas at Meadow Brook Hall  
2:15 pm Speaker, Professor Janutz Laski, Oakland University, 202 DH  
7 pm "Norma Rae," 201 DH  
7:30 pm Men's Swimming: OU vs Michigan State  
Lepley Sports Center  
8 pm Early Music Concert, Varner Recital Hall  
8 pm Black Coffee, Varner Studio Theatre  
8:30 pm The Agent, Barn Theatre  
8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre  
9:30 pm Film, "Norma Rae," 201 DH

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

10 am Christmas at Meadow Brook Hall  
2 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre  
8 pm Black Coffee, Varner Studio  
8:30 pm The Agent, Barn Theatre  
8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

10 am Christmas at Meadow Brook Hall  
1 pm Public Tours Meadow Brook Hall  
1 and 3 pm Break A Leg, Varner Recital Hall  
6:30 pm Black Coffee, Varner Studio  
6:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre  
7 pm Oakland Youth Symphony Concert, Varner Recital Hall

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

10 am Christmas at Meadow Brook Hall

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

11:30 am Combat Theatre, Fireside Lounge, OC  
8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10

9:30 am Exams begin  
2 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre  
8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

8 pm Meadow Brook Estate Christmas Show, Varner Recital  
8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

8 pm Meadow Brook Estate Christmas Show, Varner Recital  
8:30 pm The Agent, Barn Theatre  
8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

7 am St. Lucia Celebration, Varner Recital Hall  
7 pm Meadow Brook Estate Christmas Show, Varner Recital Hall  
6 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre  
8:30 pm The Agent, Barn Theatre  
9:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

1 pm Public Tours Meadow Brook Hall  
2:30 pm Concert, Meadow Brook Estate Christmas Show, Varner Recital Hall  
6:30 pm Meadow Brook Estate Christmas Show, Varner Recital Hall  
6:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre  
10 pm Academic Exams End

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

2 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre  
8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

8:30 pm The Imaginary Invalid, Meadow Brook Theatre  
10 pm Final Exams End