



# OU NEWS

## Distinguished Scientist Joins Institute

Hitoshi Shichi, former senior scientist with the National Institutes of Health, has joined the Institute of Biological Sciences where he will continue his pioneering work in vision research.

Shichi has already been awarded a five-year grant from the National Eye Institute in the amount of \$506,705. He has identified the causative agent of the inflammatory eye disease uveitis and is doing further studies to develop chemical agents that will prevent this serious eye disease.

Institute director Venkat N. Reddy said this significant appointment will further en-

hance the university's research capabilities in the blinding eye diseases. In addition to his research funds, Shichi has brought to the institute sophisticated research equipment valued at approximately \$300,000.

Shichi has been active in vision research for the past 15 years working at the National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Blindness and then in the Laboratory of Vision Research at the National Eye Institute.

He is internationally recognized for his work on visual pigments and photoreceptors of the retina with more than 65 scientific publications.

A member of numerous national and international professional societies, Shichi served until recently as an associate editor of *Photochemistry and Photobiology*. at OU he is professor of biomedical sciences and acting assistant director of the Institute of Biological Sciences.

After undergraduate work and a master's degree earned in Japan, Shichi earned the Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley. He is a former Fulbright Scholar. His wife Asea is also a former Fulbright Scholar.

## Student Attitudes Are Charted

Oakland University FTIACs (First Time in Any College Students) differ little from their counterparts at other public universities of medium selectivity when it comes to reasons for college.

The report by David C. Beardslee, director of institutional research, was based on 1980 data collected for FTIACs and compiled in the American Council on Education questionnaire.

Any major differences in the reasons for going to college between OU student rankings and the national sample are related primarily to the commuter nature of the OU FTIAC population, Beardslee says.

For example, only 39 percent of the OU FTIACs are residence hall students compared to an 83 percentage average in the national sample.

Nationally, "to meet new and interesting people" ranked fairly high as a reason for

college. At OU, it did not. Obviously, the OU group of whom a majority are commuters is less motivated by this goal than the "away from home in a dorm" national sample, Beardslee says.

In the list of reasons for going to college "getting a better job," "learning more about things," "making more money" and "gaining general education" are the top reasons for attendance. In choosing a specific institution, "has a good academic reputation" is the most commonly chosen reason.

For OU FTIACs, "wanted to live at home" is next and is on a par with "offers special educational programs" by which students mean "offers the major I want," Beardslee reports.

The set of results from the ACE data can be substantially extended from other research which makes it clear that the choice of going to college and of the specific college attended is a matter of

preparation for a career in which one can feel satisfaction. Beardslee says that "Satisfaction" in this context implies more than money since it extends to a sense that one's skills are well used and that one is a competent person.

Beardslee further states self-fulfillment and the desire for a successful career are not incompatible in the minds of students. The decision to go to college and the choice of college is then a choice of a route to that goal. Cost considerations figure importantly also.

An independent research piece done earlier by Beardslee, Director of Admissions and Scholarships Jerry Rose, and former admissions officer Ed Bagale show that a school in which one could have a sense of personal relationship to the faculty clearly is attractive to students.

# Board Defines Contracting Officers

Excerpts from the Board resolution which have general applicability to the university community are as follows. A complete copy of the authorization resolution which includes technical, legal or specialized elements is available from Richard A. Light, Assistant Vice President for Administrative Affairs.

## I Contracting Officers

The President and Vice President for Administrative Affairs and their designees where specifically authorized by this policy shall be the contracting officers for the university. No person may contract pursuant to this authority except as prescribed herein by specific designation or delegation. All delegations of contract authority must be documented in writing to the Office of the Secretary to the Board of Trustees and the Vice President for Administrative Affairs. The Board of Trustees may in specific instances designate additional contracting officers.

## II Purchase Contracts

- A All contracts for expenditures over \$100,000 after review by legal counsel must be approved by the Board of Trustees prior to execution by the President and/or Vice President for Administrative Affairs except as provided in IIB.
- B In the event of an emergency or if the President deems it to be in the best interests of the university to expedite the execution of a contract and there is no regularly scheduled meeting of the Board prior to the time such agreement must be executed, then the President or Vice President for Administrative Affairs is authorized to expend funds for goods and services in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for any single contract without prior approval of the Board of Trustees conditioned on the prior concurrence of the contract by the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees, provided such expenditures are in accordance with the policies and practices established by the Board. Any expenditure or contract entered into pursuant to this authority shall be reported to the Board of Trustees at its next regular meeting for ratification and any necessary amendment of the budget appropriation.
- C Contracts for expenditures in amounts up to \$100,000 may be executed by the President or the Vice President for Administrative Affairs or their designees without Board approval. If any contract under this provision alters or is a departure from a Board approved policy, practice or procedure, or is in conflict with a policy established by the Board of Trustees, such contract shall be subject to prior Board approval before execution.

## III Employment Appointments and Contracts

- A The authority for the approval of positions and appointments, subject to compliance with university policies, procedures, relevant employment contracts and budget authorizations shall be as set forth below. It is further provided that when such positions and appointments result in

a net increase in the total number of full-time positions, the Board shall be notified.

1. (a) Academic dean positions and appointments and academic administrator appointments, including associate and assistant deans, and full-time non-visiting faculty employment contracts including promotions for all of the above are subject to the recommendation of the President and must be approved by the Board of Trustees. When it is in the interest of the university, the President or a designee may make an offer of employment prior to the Board meeting which offer shall be subject to Board approval.  
(b) The establishment of all academic administrator positions (except full deans as provided in IIIA 1 (a) above), faculty and instructional positions shall be made by the President or a designee.  
(c) The appointment of full-time visiting faculty, part-time faculty, and Continuing Education instructional staff shall be made by the Vice President for Academic Affairs or a designee.
2. (a) Vice presidential positions and reclassifications and appointees to these positions are subject to the recommendation of the President and must be approved by the Board of Trustees.  
(b) All administrative-professional and non-academic positions and reclassifications with a salary grade minimum of \$30,000 or above are subject to the recommendation of the President and must be approved by the Board of Trustees. Appointment of personnel to these positions shall be reported to the Board of Trustees.  
(c) The establishment and appointment of all other positions and reclassifications not provided for in III (1) and (2) above shall be made by the President, the Vice President for Administrative Affairs or their designees.
- B Contracts for employment of faculty and staff, subject to compliance with university policies, procedures, relevant employment contracts and budget authorizations shall be executed as follows:
  1. The Vice President for Academic Affairs or a designee shall execute employment contracts for academic deans, academic administrators and all faculty and instructional positions.
  2. The President, Vice President for Administrative Affairs, or their designee, or the Director of Employee Relations shall execute employment contracts for all other employees not specified under paragraph B (1) above.

## IV Labor Contracts

Labor contracts with officially recognized bargaining unit groups are to be signed by the Vice President for Administrative Affairs, the Director of Employee Relations and the university's chief negotiator (if other than the Director of Employee Relations), subsequent to approval of such contracts by the President and the Board of Trustees.

## V Contracts for University Facilities and Services

- A Contracts for the lease of university facilities, other than for personal residency, that are for a period of one year or more, are to be executed by the President, or the Vice President for Administrative Affairs subsequent to approval by the Board of Trustees.
- B Contracts for the lease of university facilities for a period less than one year and rental agreements for residential purposes are to be executed by the Vice President for Administrative Affairs or his designee.
- C Contract/grant agreements relating to educational, research, public service and student financial aid activities of the university are to be executed by the President or the Vice President for Administrative Affairs. Contract/grant agreements which require the actual commitment of university funds are subject to the monetary limitation approval requirements set forth in Article II. Contract/grant agreements under this provision shall be reported to the Board of Trustees at the earliest meeting date possible.

## VI Contracts for the Sale or Disposal of University Assets

- A Subject to the specific prior approval by the Board of Trustees, compliance with university procedures and policy and review by legal counsel, the President, the Secretary, or the Vice President for Administrative Affairs shall have authority to execute agreements for the sale of real property titled to the university.
- C The Vice President for Administrative Affairs or his designee shall have the authority to sell or dispose of university surplus goods and equipment of less than \$10,000 in appraised value for each item in accordance with university policies and procedures when such action is to the benefit of Oakland University.
- D The President or his designee shall have the authority to sell or dispose of university surplus objects of art, antiques or collectors' items of less than \$10,000 value for each item subject to the prior approval of a committee of the Board of Trustees which shall be delegated with the authority to dispose of such property in the interest of the university.

- VIII All university contracts must be in compliance with the law and shall conform to the legal standards and requirements of the university General Counsel.

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## Faculty Accomplishments Noted

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Charles Akers, history, is participating in "Lifelines: Reminiscence Writing for Seniors," a two-week program for senior citizens at the Avon Township Public Library. Supported by a grant from the Michigan Council for the Humanities, the program is designed to develop a model project for older persons who are interested in recording the life histories and doing creative writing.

Following the Executive Budget Committee's recommendations to eliminate the position of assistant dean of the library, the following personnel changes have been put into effect for the 1981-1982 academic year: Indra M. David, library faculty; Robert G. Gaylor, coordinator for circulation unit; David L. Gustner, library budget coordinator; Bernard L. Toutant, assistant to the dean.

George L. Gardiner, dean of the Oakland University Library, has been appointed Editor of the National Librarians Association Newsletter beginning 1981.

Philip Singer, sociology/anthropology and Center for Health Sciences, will participate in a panel on ethnopsychiatry for the African Studies Association Meeting in October, at Bloomington, Ind. He will present a paper, "Therapeutic Opportunities, Problems and Pitfalls for Traditional Healers in Developing Countries." He will also present a film that he produced titled "Trans, Dance, and Healing in Guyana."

Paul O. Kingstrom, economics and management, had his manuscript, "A Critical Analysis of Studies Comparing Behaviorally Anchored Rating Scales and

Other Rating Formats," (with A.R. Bass) published in the summer issue of *Personnel Psychology*.

Anna M. Barnes, modern languages and literatures, is the author of a new book *Getting It Done In Spanish*. The book was completed in consultation with Don R. Iodice, also of modern languages and literatures.

The textbook and accompanying audio cassettes constitute an innovative method of teaching Spanish with emphasis on oral/aural communication. The program is designed to give travelers and business people the necessary language "survival skills" in any Spanish-speaking country in the world, Barnes said. The program has already been used successfully by the employees of the Hamill Manufacturing Company in Washington, Mi., a division of Firestone Tire and Rubber Company.

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## OU Recognizes IYDP

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Oakland University will place an increased awareness on the needs of the handicapped as part of its recognition of 1981 as the International Year of Disabled Persons (IYDP).

"Any commitment to equal opportunity must include the disabled," states President Joseph E. Champagne. He notes that two persons in ten in the United States are disabled and that the most prevalent forms of disability are mobility, vision, or hearing related.

The United Nations has proclaimed calendar year 1981 as the International Year of Disabled Persons. "I hope this recognition will help spur a commitment that will carry through this year and into the years to come," President Champagne said. The university has been placing increasing emphasis upon making campus access easier to the many disabled persons from the academic and

general community who make use of campus opportunities.

Those moves include increased reserved parking spaces, improved restroom facilities, curb cuts for persons in wheelchairs, installation of a new elevator in the Oakland Center, and two wheelchair-accessible units in the Matthews Court apartments. "The university will move more vigorously toward increasing its awareness of the needs of disabled persons," President Champagne said.

In the state of Michigan a speakers bureau is being maintained for individuals and groups wishing to know more about the IYDP goal of "full participation and equality." Information can be obtained by writing to International Year of Disabled Persons, Post Office Box 30015, Lansing, Michigan 48909, or by contacting Barbara Murphy, Oakland University affirmation action officer.

Roberta Schwartz, communication arts, has been chosen by American Women in Radio and Television as chairperson of its presentation at the annual seminar, "Communications" to be held in May, 1982. Her article, "The Teaching of Feature Writing" has been accepted for publication this year by *Community College Journalist*.

She attended the seminar in cable television and writing for radio and television offered by the University of Michigan June 19-20 in Ann Arbor.

### Meeting Dates

The Oakland University Board of Trustees will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 14 in Lounge II of the Oakland Center.

The University Senate will meet Oct. 15 from 3 p.m. in rooms 128-130 of the Oakland Center.

# Fulbright Deadline

The 1982-83 competition grants for graduate study abroad offered under the Fulbright Program and by foreign governments, universities and private donors will close on October 31, 1981. Only two weeks remain in which qualified graduate students may apply for one of the approximately 500 awards which are available to 50 countries.

Application forms and further information for students currently enrolled in Oakland University may be obtained from the Fulbright Programs Adviser, Pamela Marin, who is located in 201 Wilson Hall. The deadline for filing applications is October 15.

Most of the grants offered provide round-trip transportation, tuition and maintenance for one academic year; a few provide international travel only or a stipend intended as a partial grant-in-aid.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens at the time of application, and must generally hold a bachelor's degree or its equivalent before the beginning date of the grant and, in most cases, should be proficient in the language of the host country. Except for certain specific awards, candidates may not hold the Ph.D. at the time of application. Candidates for 1982-83 are ineligible for a grant to a country if they have been doing graduate work for conducting research in the country for six months or more during the academic year 1981-82.

Creative and performing artists are not required to have a bachelor's degree, but they must have four years of professional study or equivalent experience. Social work applicants must have at least two years of professional experience after the Master of Social Work degree; candidates to medicine must have an M.D. at the time of application.

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## Lecture Series

Labor historian David Brody will lecture on "Leisure and Work: A Historical Perspective" when he opens the 1981-1982 President's Club Lecture Series Oct. 7.

Brody, professor of history at the University of California at Davis, will speak at noon in the Gold Room of the Oakland Center.

The general theme of the series is "Leisure and Work." Professor Nancy K. Schlossberg of the University of Maryland will lecture Nov. 5 on the topic "Understanding Adults Coping With Leisure." That address will also be at noon in the Gold Room.

# Japanese Poet In Residence

The noted Japanese poet and critic Makoto Ooka is in residence at Oakland University during the fall semester.

Ooka is the third poet to be in residence at the university under the Asian Artists in Residence Program sponsored by the Departments of Area Studies and English and the Fulbright Commission.

During his visit he will travel throughout Michigan reading from his own works and lecturing on traditional and current aspects of Japanese culture. He comes to OU from a residency program at the **Centre Georges Pompidou** (Museum of Modern Art) in Paris.

Ooka is participating in courses offered by English, area studies, modern languages, and art and art history. He is working with

Thomas Fitzsimmons, professor of English, and assisting him in the preparation of a new, critical anthology of modern Japanese poetry for a university press.

Persons interested in meeting Ooka and in learning more about his availability for lectures are invited to call Fitzsimmons at 377-2275.

Ooka is the author of poetry that comprises more than 15 volumes. He has read from his works at the Library of Congress and in 1978 toured the United States under the Intellectual Interchange Program of the Japan Society.

In addition to his poetry, he has written for radio, television, and films, and he is the author of books on Japanese contemporary art.

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## Fellowships Available

The Career Advising and Placement Office (room 201 WH) has received notification of the following scholarship and fellowship opportunities. Interested students can obtain the necessary application information and/or guidelines at the office.

The Morehead Fellowship is awarded annually to three outstanding individuals in each entering class of the University of North Carolina School of Law. Applicants must have at least a 3.5 grade point average and a minimum test score of 675. In order to be considered as a candidate for a Morehead Fellowship all materials must be received by January 15, 1982.

The White House Fellowships: Each year 14-20 highly motivated young Americans are selected to serve as special assistants to the Cabinet and the President's staff. Fellows are chosen competitively on the basis of proven leadership, intellectual and professional ability, high motivation for service, and commitment to community and nation. Application materials can be obtained from the President's Commission of White House Fellowships, 712 Jackson Place, Washington, D.C. 20503. Requests for applications must be postmarked no later than November 15, with completed applications returned no later than December 1.

The Newspaper Fund, Inc., again offers two internship programs for 1982—the Editing Internship Program (for juniors) and

the Minority Internship Program (for seniors and graduate students). Students are reminded that the deadline for application is Thanksgiving Day. Application forms can be obtained by writing to The Newspaper Fund, P.O. Box 300, Princeton, N.J. 08540.

The Office of Youth Programs, National Endowment for the Humanities, has released the 1981 guidelines and application instructions for Youth-grants. This is the major program offering support for independent out-of-the-classroom projects in the humanities to college and university students. The deadline for receiving completed applications is November 15.

Up to thirty college graduates, men and women under age 26, will be selected nationally again this year to work as Marshall Scholars for two years for further degrees at British universities. The scholarships are applicable to a wide range of subject fields including the sciences and humanities. The Marshall Scholarships were established in Britain for young American citizens as a national gesture of thanks to the United States for Marshall Aid.

Interested students who will have completed their first degree by the summer of 1982 should inquire immediately. A campus screening process is required with completed applications to be forwarded by the university not later than October 22, 1981.

# CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1981

## OCTOBER 1, 1981

- 8:00 p.m. "Mainstage"—Comedy Night  
OC Abstention
- 12:00 p.m. Music Film Series—Shakespeare's Time  
110 Varner Hall
- 2:00 p.m. Academic Organizations  
President's Meeting  
OC Faculty Lounge
- 4:10 p.m. Senior Placement Seminar  
202 O'Dowd Hall
- 6:30 p.m. University Congress Meeting  
OC Lounge II
- 6:30 p.m. Rehearsal  
Slavic Folk Ensemble—Folk Dancing  
OC Gold Rooms
- 7:30 p.m. Seminar for Those Considering Marriage  
OC Oakland Room

## OCTOBER 2, 1981

- 2:15 p.m. Cross Country  
at Notre Dame Invitational  
Film—Nine To Five  
202 O'Dowd Hall
- 7:00 and  
9:30 p.m. Film—Nine To Five  
201 Dodge Hall
- 2:15 p.m. School of Engineering Seminar  
Professor R. Liu—University of Notre Dame  
202 Dodge Hall  
Volleyball  
at Wayne State University  
(with other GLIAC teams)

## OCTOBER 3, 1981

- 9:00 a.m. 3rd Annual Outdoor Basketball Classic  
Residence Halls Court
- 10:00 a.m. Cross Country  
2.0 Mile Cross Country Race (Men's and  
Women's)
- 2:00 p.m. start OU Engineering Society  
Annual Road Rallye  
reception follows in OC Heritage Room  
The Adventures of Alice (children's theatre)  
Varner Recital Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Soccer  
1:00 p.m. at Western Michigan University
- 2:00 p.m. Tennis (Women's)  
Michigan Tech  
Lepley Sports Center  
Volleyball  
at Wayne State University (with other GLIAC  
teams)
- 9:00 a.m. GMAT Preparation Workshop  
South Foundation

## OCTOBER 4, 1981

- 9:00 a.m. 3rd Annual Outdoor Basketball Classic  
Residence Halls Court
- 6:00 p.m. Order of Leibowitz Gaming  
OC Annex
- 6:30 p.m. Omega Psi Phi Meeting  
OC Meadow Brook Room
- 11:00 a.m. Tennis (Women's)  
Lake Superior State College  
Lepley Sports Center
- 1:00 p.m. Public Tours Meadow Brook Hall  
Meadow Brook Hall

## OCTOBER 5, 1981

- 12:00 noon Student Organizations  
Budget Workshop  
OC Gold Room A

## OCTOBER 6, 1981

- 7:30 p.m. Lutheran Student Fellowship Meeting  
OC Room 125
- 6:30 p.m. Rehearsal  
Slavic Folk Ensemble—Folk Dancing  
OC Gold Rooms
- 7:00 p.m. Volleyball  
at Wayne State University
- 3:30 p.m. Student Organization's Workshop  
How to Publicize Your Event  
OC Rooms 126-127

## OCTOBER 7, 1981

- 12:00 noon Discussion Group—"Aquarian Conspiracy"  
Oakland Center 127
- 12:00 noon The Women's Break (Lunch and Idea  
Exchange)  
OC Room 125
- 2:30 and  
7:00 p.m. Film—Some Like it Hot  
OC Abstention  
President's Club Lecture Series  
David Brody, Labor Historian  
Topic: "Leisure and Work"  
OC Gold Rooms
- 3:00 p.m. Soccer  
Michigan State University  
Lepley Sports Center
- 9:00 p.m. Residence Hall Staff Variety Show  
OC Gold Rooms

**OCTOBER 8, 1981**

- 6:30 p.m. Dancing  
Slavic Folk Ensemble—Folk Dancing  
OC Gold Rooms
- 12:00 p.m. Music Film Series  
Black Music: Then to Now  
110 Varner Hall
- 3:00 p.m. University Senate Meeting  
OC Rooms 128, 129, 130
- 6:30 p.m. University Congress Meeting  
OC Lounge II
- 8:30 p.m. Play—Othello  
Meadow Brook Theatre
- 7:30 p.m. Seminar for Those Considering Marriage  
OC Oakland Room
- 11:15 a.m. Seminars  
Business Letters and Resume Writing  
OC Rooms 128-130
- 12:15 p.m. The Interview

**OCTOBER 9, 1981**

- 7:30 p.m. Meadow Brook Hall Sately Dinner  
Meadow Brook Hall
- 2:15 p.m. Film—Apocalypse Now  
202 O'Dowd Hall
- 7:00 & 9:30 p.m. 201 Dodge Hall
- 8:00 p.m. President's Trio Concert  
Varner Recital Hall
- 8:30 p.m. Play—Othello  
Meadow Brook Theatre
- 2:15 p.m. School of Engineering Seminar  
Professor Mohammad Razaque—University  
of Texas  
202 Dodge Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Volleyball  
at Hillsdale College
- 9:00 a.m. Last day to apply for fall 1981 graduation  
Cashier's office

**OCTOBER 10, 1981**

- Cross Country  
at Grand Valley State College Invitational
- 2:00 and  
8:30 p.m. Play—Othello  
Meadow Brook Theatre
- 1:30 p.m. Soccer at Spring Arbor College
- 1:00 p.m. Tennis (Women's)  
Hillsdale College  
Lepley Sports Center
- 9:30 a.m. GMAT Preparation Workshop  
South Foundation

**OCTOBER 11, 1981**

- 6:00 p.m. Order of Leibowitz Gaming  
OC Annex
- 6:30 p.m. Omega Psi Phi Meeting  
OC Meadow Brook Room
- 2:00 p.m. Pontiac-Oakland Symphony Concert  
Varner Recital Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Play—Othello  
Meadow Brook Theatre
- 1:00 p.m. Public Tours Meadow Brook Hall  
Meadow Brook Hall

**OCTOBER 12, 1981**

- 12:00 noon Student Organization's Budget Workshop  
OC Gold Room A

**OCTOBER 13, 1981**

- 7:30 p.m. Lutheran Student Fellowship Meeting  
OC Room 125
- 8:30 p.m. Play—Othello  
Meadow Brook Theatre
- 6:30 p.m. Rehearsal  
Slavic Folk Ensemble—Folk Dancing  
OC Gold Rooms
- 8:00 p.m. Tom Parks (comedian)  
Varner Recital Hall
- 3:30 p.m. Student Organizations' Time Management  
Workshop  
OC Rooms 126-127

**OCTOBER 14, 1981**

- 12:00 noon Discussion Group—"Aquarian Conspiracy"  
Oakland Center 127
- 12:00 noon The Women's Break (Lunch and Idea  
Exchange)  
OC Room 125
- 2:30 and  
7:00 p.m. Film—A Streetcar Named Desire  
OC Abstention  
7:30 p.m. Meeting  
National Organization for Women  
Oakland Room
- 7:30 p.m. OU Board of Trustees Meeting  
OC Lounge II
- 2:00 and  
8:30 p.m. Play—Othello  
Meadow Brook Theatre
- 6:00 p.m. Volleyball  
Oliver College  
Lepley Sports Center
- 11:15 a.m. Seminars  
The Interview  
OC Gold Room C
- 12:15 p.m. Business Letters and Resume Writing

To have an event listed in Diversions and other sources, contact  
CIPO, 49 Oakland Center, 377-2020. Due to space limitations,  
some items may be edited for this publication.