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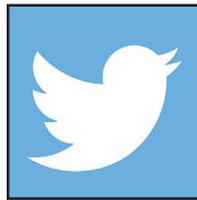


PHOTO OF THE WEEK

GRIZZLIES ON THE HILL // Last weekend, groundskeeper Justin McCann came up with the idea to display the Golden Grizzlies logo on the grass across from the Recreation Center for homecoming weekend festivities and the Brooksie Way. The idea was supported by the Athletics Department and the logo was placed using stencils and spray paint. *BOHDANNA CHERSTYLO // The Oakland Post*

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Controversial preacher Ken Fleck comes to campus to spread his religious beliefs.

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Sophomore Kylee Sullivan grabs her first career individual title at the Golden Grizzlies invitational.

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POLL OF THE WEEK

How do you feel about Monday's debate?

- A** I need a drink.
- B** I'm with Her.
- C** Make America Great Again.
- D** I'm voting for Mickey Mouse.

Vote at www.oaklandpostonline.com

LAST WEEK'S POLL

Angelia Jolie and Brad Pitt are getting a divorce. Thoughts?

A) Love is dead and 2016 is cancelled

4 votes | 10%

B) I'm with Her.

4 votes | 10%

C) Literally, who cares?

22 votes | 55%

D) [GIF of Jennifer Aniston laughing]

10 votes | 25%

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 23, 1985

A welcome back picnic was held at Bear Lake. The food provider at the time, Saga, supplied barbecue chicken, Polish hot dogs, baked beans and watermelon. It cost \$4.82 per student, which adjusts to \$10.78 today.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1995

Marriott, the food provider to OU in the '90s, considered adding Burger King, Taco Bell and other options to the Oakland Center. However, by choosing those franchises, OC employees could have been at risk for losing their jobs.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2011

OU announced that it would host the GOP debate on Nov. 9. Read more on page 3.

BY THE NUMBERS

POST-GRAD WORK

17%

of college graduate students have a job right out of school

20%

of U.S. college students use career services "very often"

65%

of college grads don't know "what jobs are a fit" for them

75%

of new jobs filled in 2014 were by employers with less than 500 employees

80+%

of students graduate without a job

The Washington Post article "More than 4 out of 5 students graduate without a job. How could colleges change that?"

Looking Back

Oakland hosts GOP debate, Hillary Clinton

Cheyenne Kramer
Web Editor

In 2008, Barack Obama was elected to become the 44th President of the United States. In 2011, when he was running for reelection, Oakland University was chosen as a location for a GOP debate.

The news broke on Sept. 28, 2011. CNBC and the Michigan Republican Party served as the hosts for the debate, in which eight candidates talked about their perspectives and ideas about how the country should be run.

The Oakland Post held a Q&A with President Gary Russi on Nov. 2, seven days before the debate. The Post asked Russi what the school would gain from hosting the event, to which Russi said, "Name recognition. There is no question that our goal is to gain visibility, name recognition and gain as many friends as possible."

The eight candidates who spoke at the debate were Michelle Bachman, Herman Cain, Newt Gingrich, Jon Huntsman, Ron Paul, Rick Perry, Mitt Romney and Rick Santorum. They talked about issues the American public faced, such as marriage equality, abortion, tax reform, health care and unemployment rates.

The Post reported that 600 students applied to get tickets to the event. Sixty of them were chosen, while another 180 students volunteered to work the event. In total, 1,400 people attended, including 256 media personnel.

The day of the debate, Nov. 9, a group of students and off-campus individuals held a rally supporting presidential candidate Ron Paul. The protest started an hour and a half late. Supporters of Barack Obama stood on one side of the sidewalk, while supporters of Ron Paul on the other.

Other protest groups, such as Occupy Ann Arbor and Occupy OU, were denied the ability to protest, as there was limited space in the designated free speech zones behind Kresge Library.

At 7:30 p.m., protesters were met with 20 Michigan State Police officers, equipped with body armor and batons. They formed a line on the sidewalk before Pioneer Drive and to keep the peace.

That day, 3.3 million people tuned in to watch the CNBC debate, and Russi said that "the event went very well and there were no glitches."

Candidate Rick Perry stuttered during the debate, which was parodied on "Saturday Night Live" following the event. OU got a shout out during the show's segment.

Mitt Romney secured the nomination for the Republican Party and about a year later, lost to Barack Obama. Michigan was a blue state.



Salwan Georges / The Oakland Post

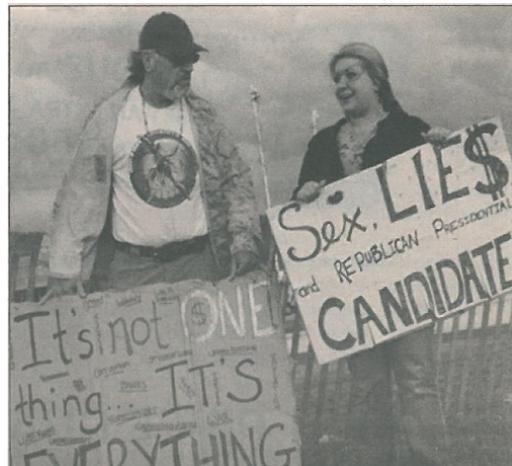
Hillary Clinton spoke at Oakland University in 2014.

Continuing Oakland's political connections, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton spoke on campus in 2014, along with Gary Peters and Mark Schauer. The event was sponsored by the Michigan Democratic Party.

Clinton said of OU during her speech, "It's a beautiful campus with a great reputation."

At the time, she had not declared her candidacy for the 2016 election, for which she is now the Democratic nominee.

For information the Sept. 26 presidential debate between Clinton and Donald Trump, see page 11.



Original photo courtesy of Joanne Hoopes / Oakland Post Archives
Protesters outside of the 2011 GOP debate.



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Number of students enrolled drops for first time in 17 years

Students' credit load continues to grow, tuition revenue constant

Grace Turner
Managing Editor

The number of students enrolled at Oakland University has declined for the first time in 17 years, according to Paul Schroeder, associate vice president for enrollment management.

Last year's student population was 20,261. This year's is 20,012. The number of students fell by 249, or about one percent.

"That's not surprising," Schroeder said.

The number of high school seniors in Michigan has declined since 2006, leaving universities with a smaller pool to draw from. The pool is also smaller for community colleges, so there are less potential transfer students for Oakland.

Oakland competes with other universities for high school and transfer students.

"We are in the mix with all the other [public universities],"

Schroeder said.

A decrease in the number of students enrolled does not necessarily mean bad news.

An increase in graduation rate can decrease the following year's enrollment because the graduating students are no longer taking classes.

The most recent graduating class was large, according to Rubeen Ternes, assistant director of Institutional Research and Assessment.

State appropriation is based in part on graduation rate.

As an added bonus, there are 249 less students to take up parking spaces, 249 less students sitting at desks in class and 249 less students in line at the food court.

In this year's case, less students doesn't mean less revenue from tuition dollars because more students are full-time.

Enrollment is not only measured by how many students are taking classes, Ternes said. The

university also looks at how many credits students are taking. This year, students are taking 249,854 credits, which is 529 more than last year.

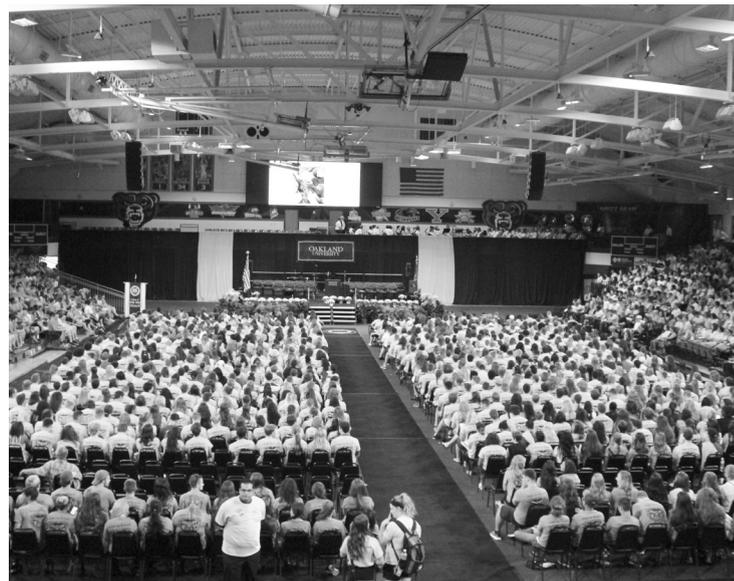
The state has its own way to measure enrollment, using a unit called a Fiscal-Year Equivalent Student (FYES). The number of credits that a student takes per year is divided by a set number of credits.

For example, an undergraduate student who takes 30 credits in one year is considered one FYES. An undergraduate who takes 15 credits in one year is considered one-half FYES.

Master's degree students must take 24 credits in one year to be counted as one FYES, while Ph.D. students must take 16 per year.

Medical students count as one-half FYES for each semester they're enrolled, regardless of the number of credits they're taking.

OU has 7,044 FYES for undergraduate students and 1,116 FYES



Nowshin Chowdhury / The Oakland Post

This year, 20,012 students were enrolled to Oakland University.

for graduate students for this year, which rounds to a total of 8,159 FYES. This is up six from last year.

FYES does not count out-of-state students who only take Oakland classes online, but this is a tiny portion of Oakland's student population.

The number of credits and the FYES values have increased for Oakland for 22 years, Schroeder said.

This year is no different.

Despite less students, the residence halls were overflowing at

the beginning of the year. The new housing complex will help prevent this in the future.

Oakland will try to grow the headcount again by increasing out-of-state recruitment and building stronger relationships with community colleges to recruit transfer students, Schroeder said.

If everything works out as Oakland plans, the number of students will increase.

Enjoy the extra parking while it lasts.

Accessibility improves thanks to OU Student Congress, more to come

Simon Albaugh
Intern Reporter

The issue of university accessibility has changed from a campaign trail promise to Oakland University Student Congress (OUSC) policy.

And in the time since, the efforts of both the Office of Disability Support Services (DSS) and OUSC have either been actualized or ensured.

OUSC President Zack Thomas brought the issue of accessibility to the forefront of his campaign last fall. Among other things, he promised the partially dilapidated amenities to be updated, and ensured that no one would have to wait longer than needed to find an accessible bathroom.

This crusade started with a point of inspiration that jolted both Thomas and his physically disabled friends.

"Some of our closest friends were struggling to get around," Thomas said.

"One time I was walking with one of my friends and we had to cross diagonally on

Meadow Brook Road because the ramps didn't line up. And we almost got hit by a car."

Since the enactment of the goals set by Thomas, Director of DSS Linda Sisson has measured promising effects on campus.

"There was definite progress," said Sisson. "And the force that really brought that progress was the students."

The list of implemented changes on the OUSC website tells the story of current successes best. Among those changes are:

- A new sidewalk along Pioneer Drive
- Repaired crosswalk between Oak View Hall and Vandenberg Hall
- Repaired craters on Bear Lake Bridge
- Repaired on-campus sidewalk craters

"I know sidewalk fixes aren't that exciting," Thomas said. "But to us they are, because it allows better access on campus."

The lasting effects can be seen in the plans for the future Oakland Center Expansion, with the implementation of changes in accessibility in nearly every



Abigail Zmikly / The Oakland Post

Address concerns about accessibility to Disability Support Services in North Foundation Hall.

aspect of the design.

Students are encouraged to support and participate in these initiatives by reporting any barrier or obstacle that hinders their accessibility. This can be done through the DSS website or in person at the Office of Disability Support Services in North Foundation Hall.

"Students, faculty, staff, when you see something, say something," Sisson said. "The DSS is a good place when it comes to accessibility issues or barriers that you observe."

Students can also go to the DSS website for an updated map of ideal routes for those with physical disabilities.

Search begins for new chief diversity officer candidates

Renamed position will still work closely with human resources, president

Shelby Tankersley
Campus Editor

On Sept. 6 2016, Oakland University launched a national search for a new chief diversity officer (CDO). This officer will replace the current senior adviser to the president for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

The position has a new title to match the national standard. CDOs can be found at other schools Oakland's size, so Oakland is working to meet that standard. Even though there is a name change, the CDO will play many of the same roles the senior adviser does.

"The primary focus of my job is to provide strategic leadership in the areas of diversity, equity and inclusion," said Patricia Dolly, senior adviser to the president for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. "I work very closely with the chief human resources person, but also with students."

Dolly said her job includes making sure every voice on campus is heard and making sure students and faculty feel welcome on campus.

Dolly is retiring this year, so the new CDO position will be opening up. She will be helping in the search for the new CDO as a search committee member.

Though the job will be similar to the previous position, there will be a few changes.

"It's kind of like what I have been doing, but in a much more formal way," Dolly said.

"If you look around the country, the position of chief diversity officer is really the trend and the standard. So it will pull OU in line with other institutions this size."

The CDO will work closely with University Human Resources to achieve higher recruitment and retention of both staff and students. Dolly said that her job focused more on advising the president about how the school can improve in the areas of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

Libby C. Ciliberti, the chief human resources officer, is leading the search for the position.

Ciliberti said that the job has been posted on OU's site, as well as several education academic journals and career sites. She wants to keep the job posted for at least 30 days before starting to recruit and interview candidates.

Applicants are expected to have at least a master's degree, leadership skills and at least 10 years of experience in diversity or a related field.

They will also be held to the 12 standards for the position set by the National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education.

These include having understanding of different cultures and politics, having the ability to respond well to bias and being able to conduct campus climate research, or gather and gauge campus perspectives.

Once OU has candidates to look at, a committee made up of members of different parts of the campus community will make the final decision.

This committee will include Glenn McIntosh, vice president for Student Affairs; Graeme Harper, dean of the Honors College; Grace Wojcik, coordinator of the Gender and Sexuality Center and Anders Engnell, vice president of OU Student Songress.

OU is hoping this diverse group of people will be able to pick the best person to lead diversity initiatives on OU's campus.

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Patricia Dolly
Senior Adviser to the President for
Diversity, Equity and Inclusion



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The office for the senior adviser to the president for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion is in Wilson Hall, along with the rest of the president's cabinet.

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Damnation allowed, regulated on campus

Grace Turner
Managing Editor

A man informed a crowd of Oakland students that they were going to hell.

While controversial, he had every right to do so.

Carrying a battered black Bible and standing on a bench in the grassy area between the Oakland Center and library, Ken Fleck spoke on Wednesday, Sept. 21 about how he was saved after he found Jesus, dissing other religions in the process.

He preached from about noon to 5 p.m., according to Lieutenant Terry Ross from the Oakland University Police Department (OUPD).

Nancy Anderson Schmitz, assistant dean of students, knew that his words could cause emotional reactions and called OUPD to monitor the event.

Outside groups who want to preach, demonstrate, sell something or petition on campus must obtain approval at the Office of the Dean of Students, Schmitz said. Fleck hadn't checked in, so Schmitz asked him to. He ignored her until OUPD got involved.

Fleck was back outside soon after

complying with campus regulations.

According to Cam Evans, a First Amendment attorney who teaches media law at Oakland, Oakland University is a limited public forum, where First Amendment rights can be exercised under certain conditions. The university can put restrictions in place based on the time of speech, place of speech and manner of speech.

The Office of the Dean of Students has a packet that outlines free speech policies. Its goal is "to notify the community about the appropriate time, place and manner in which individuals may solicit, distribute or sell information, goods and services to others on University property and in University buildings."

Oakland University can refuse permission to individuals who impede university activity, don't follow the guidelines in the packet or for other special circumstances.

The packet also outlines where individuals may stand while distributing information. Fleck was not in one of the approved areas, but Schmitz gave him permission to stay where he started out.

First Amendment rights applied to everyone in the situation. Students took advantage and argued with Fleck. One

student stood behind him and mocked his gestures, giving him bunny ears when the Post pointed a camera in his direction.

"I forgive all y'all for laughing at me, for calling me names," Fleck said.

Physical confrontation went too far — one student threw some water at Fleck. OUPD stepped in immediately.

"I should press charges against that man," said Fleck of the student to the crowd. "But I forgive him."

Even so, Officer Bradley Beldo from

OUPD, who helped monitor the event, said they might have to pursue consequences for the student.

This is not the first time Fleck has been on campus. Beldo said this is his fourth or fifth year.

"He's a regular on campus," Beldo said.

The crowd swallowed a bake sale put on by the Chaldean American Student Association, which shared the space with Fleck from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. E-board members from the association didn't confront Fleck.



Grace Turner / The Oakland Post

Ken Fleck (center) captured the attention of a crowd and was mocked by students when he preached about his religious beliefs outside of the Oakland Center last Wednesday.

Student Org Profile: Alpha Sigma Phi

KeyVonna Taylor
Staff Reporter

The thought of paying for college can be intimidating and nerve-wracking for many students, but Alpha Sigma Phi hopes to limit financial stress for Oakland University students.

As a third year nursing major who is graduating in August, Jake Fitzpatrick, member and scholarship director of Alpha Sigma Phi, believed it would be a good idea to start a Better the Man Scholarship, geared toward males on campus.

"I always had a hard time finding the extra funding for books and access codes to class materials. I figured that by offering the money to cover the cost of something similar could possibly change the course of one's academic success. This scholarship enables the fraternity to change someone's life in yet another way than it had before," Fitzpatrick said.

Fitzpatrick joined Alpha Sigma Phi in October of 2015.

"I wanted to be a part of a group that was known for making a difference," he said. "Being able to choose to be a part of a family that would support me unconditionally was exactly what I was looking for."

"I joined because growing up I never had brothers, so through Alpha Sigma Phi, I got that. It provided me the opportunities to grow as a leader and a man," Alpha Sigma Phi member Brian Petty said.

After an unsuccessful recruiting year in 2009, the group was revived in 2012 and the first initiation ceremony was conducted on April 30.

"Through Alpha Sigma Phi, I have volunteered more than I ever did prior to joining, really focused on my academics and most importantly, and cared about something greater than myself. Alpha Sigma Phi has been the best decision I ever made and provided me with a

brotherhood that will always be with me for the rest of my life and not just my time in college," Petty said.

Fitzpatrick said his favorite part of being a member of Alpha Sigma Phi is "being a part of a group of men that supports and challenges me daily to change the lives of others for the better."

The creation of the scholarship reflects the fraternity's five values of silence, purity, charity, honor and patriotism — as specified in the national chapter's mission statement. At this time, the \$300 scholarship is offered yearly, but Fitzpatrick hopes they can offer it during both fall and winter semesters in the future.

The purpose of the Better the Man Scholarship is to provide qualified undergraduate men with a chance to self-reflect on their values while earning money for books and other school-related needs.

"This not only allows students to receive some much



Courtesy of Brian Petty

Apply for Alpha Sigma Phi's Better the Man scholarship online at <http://www.oaklandalphasig.wixsite.com/oualphasigs/scholarship/>.

needed funding for school, but it also enables those students with the ability to get to know a great group of guys that are always willing to make new friends and connections."

President of Alpha Sigma Phi Tim Burns thinks highly of the new scholarship.

"I love this new scholarship because it allows people who may not be in Greek life at Oakland to see that fraternity life here at Oakland is so much more than what you see in the movies. I think people often write off Greek life because they see it as an avenue to party, but that's so far from what we strive for."

Burns' hope is that Oakland students see that his fraternity's scholarship represents that they are serious about their academic achievement, and the pursuit of bettering themselves.

Applicants must meet the following criteria to be considered: be a male undergraduate student at Oakland University, have a current cumulative GPA (or high school GPA) of 2.75, attend one Alpha Sigma Phi event and enroll in a minimum of 12 credits for the winter of 2017 semester.

The deadline to apply for the Better the Man scholarship is Oct. 21, 2016.



Elyse Gregory / The Oakland Post

OU arranges career fairs for students to socialize with professionals and make connections for their future careers.

Career fair connections

Career Fair fills Rec Center with job-hungry students

Gina Navaroli
Intern Reporter

Oakland University provided another rewarding Career Fair for students eager to get their foot in the door. Well-known companies, such as Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (FCA), DTE Energy, Beaumont Hospital, Comerica Bank and Blue Cross, openly recruited OU students.

Career fairs are a valuable opportunity for networking and gaining work experience prior to graduation, as well as subsequently. It is a convenient approach to connect with employers and utilize both major-related and social skills. Recruiters were pleased to see a large mass of ambitious OU students.

"OU has great students who are so talented. It's nice to see new faces," said Kayla Brown, FCA communications specialist. "It's so important for students to attend career fairs. It's a great networking experience for students, not just putting your resume online, but actually getting face-to-face time. It's so important to make those connections."

"Have Career Services work

with you on your resume," Brown continued.

"Mock interviews are essential. I was a student here [at Oakland] once, so take advantage of Career Services before coming out and meeting employers. Resumes are probably most important for these types of event."

Students were dressed in professional attire as they wandered the overwhelming amount of employers at tables. Senior communications major Paige Stefan explained how she prepared for the event.

"Honestly, this was very last minute," she said. "I kind of looked up some of the jobs, I went to Handshake and looked up some of the employers that were attending that pertained to my major."

"When I came here, I actually didn't end up going to the jobs I researched. I just kind of looked around and saw what would benefit me."

Prior to this event, Stefan explained her nerves and expectations in attending.

"I felt like I wasn't prepared, like a lot of other students were. So I was nervous if I had the right questions [or] if I'm dressing appropriately," Stefan said. "It's [career fairs are] communicating with employers, so it's a really big event, especially if you want connections. Talking to other people

was the most nerve-wracking thing and making sure I was prepared. This is my first career fair and it went a lot better than I thought."

Career Services provided a LinkedIn photo booth for students to have an opportunity to take a professional photo for their LinkedIn profile.

Christina Schlenker, Career Services graduate assistant, and Jaclyn Nasir, Career Services ambassador, explained the importance of LinkedIn.

"It's important to become an active user on LinkedIn to expand your network [and] connect with employers. It expands the conversation," Nasir said. "If you're searching for jobs, you can also connect with alumni that are in different jobs that you might be looking at, too, and do informational interviewing that way. Make a connection, but also find out more opportunities for the field that you're in."

"Keep it professional and don't connect with every single one of your high school friends," Schlenker said. "It's basically a resume online. Make sure you put stuff on there you want employers to see. It's basically like a professional Facebook in a way. Have a photo, because it makes it seem like you're active on LinkedIn. You'll get more interactions that way."

English department hosts famous authors

Robert Ogg
Brings in famous authors for poetry, fiction readings

Intern Reporter

In January 2006, James Earl Jones, the voice of Darth Vader, appeared as a guest at Oakland University. Last year, Bill Nye was welcomed to OU in a special event. However, these aren't the only guest speakers to appear on campus.

Writers Stuart Dybek and Carolyn Forché have been invited to appear on campus. The events were organized by the Department of English.

"This is a big deal for Oakland University to be able to bring these two major writers to campus to read and talk informally with students," said English professor Peter Markus.

Stuart Dybek Reading – Tuesday, Sept. 27

On Tuesday, Sept. 27, Stuart Dybek was on campus. The event was a fiction and poetry reading held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the Oakland Center.

Dybek is an American writer known for writing fiction and poetry. He is most known for writing "The Coast of Chicago: Stories" and "I Sailed with Magellan."

"Dybek was a teacher of mine. [He] is a major reason I'm the writer I am today," Markus said.

In the past, Markus has used Dybek's stories to teach students about writing.

"[Students of mine] might remember me teaching his story 'Pet Milk,' which is one of the more beautiful love stories in the language," said Markus. "Dybek was the first real writer I studied with whom I talked about writing from the experience of being a writer."

Carolyn Forché: Memorial Poetry Reading – Tuesday, Oct. 7

Carolyn Forché will make

an appearance from 5-7 p.m. in Banquet Room A of the Oakland Center. The event is a poetry reading meant to honor Maurice F. Brown, an OU professor who instructed for over 20 years until his death in 1985. It is open to students and guests alike and will include free refreshments.

Forché is a poet, translator and human rights activist. She has translated the poetry of numerous authors, including Nicaraguan writer Claribel Alegria. Forché's works include "Against Forgetting: Twentieth-Century Poetry of Witness," "The Country Between Us," "Gathering the Tribes" and "Blue Hour."

The subject matter of her poems is often political. She documented the conditions during her stay in El Salvador in the 1970s during the Salvadoran Civil War.

"In one of her most well-known poems, 'The Colonel,' she describes a real-life encounter with a Salvadoran colonel who, as he made fun of her concern for human rights, emptied a bag of human ears on a table in front of her," said English professor Alison Powell.

Markus said that he uses "The Colonel" to transition between poetry and fiction in class.

"[Forché] is a really important and ground-breaking poet and I admire her very much for her commitment to what she calls 'poetry of witness,'" Powell said. "Forché makes the point that the distinction between 'personal' poems and 'political' poems isn't very useful; instead, she says, we need a third term — 'social' poetry, that describes the space in-between, where books are read, protesters gather, poems are written."

"I have been reading both Dybek and Forché for decades," said Annette Gilson, an English professor at OU.

For more information on upcoming events, visit GrizzOrgs on MySail or contact the Center for Student Activities and Leadership at (248) 370-2400.

Kettering Magnetism Lab, Observatory torn down

Old, hidden research facilities on campus quietly demolished

Cheyenne Kramer
Web Editor

There are always rumors on college campuses about abandoned buildings, haunted dorm rooms and other such terrifying tales. But at Oakland University, at least some of the tales of the abandoned buildings are true.

Or at least, were. For decades, the Kettering Magnetism Lab and Observatory remained campus mysteries, tucked away off a beaten path, out of sight from the everyday student.

Each year, some resident assistants would bring their freshmen down to the labs to show them the spooky buildings, telling horror stories along the way.

"It was always fun to take residents over to the magnetism lab," said Jeff Waters, a resident assistant in Oak View Hall. "It sort of became a part of campus culture."

But the meat behind those stories is now gone. The Kettering Magnetism Lab and the Observatory were demolished this past year, leaving two vacant plots of land in the dense trees behind the newer parking structure.

"[The magnetism lab] was an unusual building," said Dr. Anne Hitt, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Hitt recalled rumors about an abandoned laboratory deep in the trees on campus back when she started at Oakland in 1997. She saw the lab for the first time just a couple of years ago.

"It was in pretty bad shape," she said. "People broke into it . . . the door was ripped off. It just became a safety and liability hazard, and couldn't be repurposed at all."

Back in 1964, OU dedicated the Kettering Magnetism Test Laboratory. According to the University Archives buildings page on Kresge Library's website, Charles F. Kettering donated \$60,000 to OU to build and maintain a research laboratory. Due to the nature of the research, the facility had to be far removed from any other building that could interfere with magnetism.



The Observatory, on the other hand, had a bit more of an elaborate story. Danny O'Dowd, the high-school aged son of then-university president Donald O'Dowd, worked with OU student Jerry Pasha and the university's Physics Club to build the telescope.

Built with \$10,000 of grant funding from the OU Foundation, the telescope was constructed in a way different than many other telescopes, Hitt said. It also came equipped with a motor to help track stars while the operator sat in a chair attached to the telescope.

Terry Stollsteimer, director of Facilities Management, said facilities had been asked by the university several times in the past five years to reuse or tear down the unused labs.

"They ran their useful life," he said. As of May 2016, the labs were torn down with funds from the university General Fund budget.

The telescope, which was still inside of the Observatory when the building was torn down, has since been moved to Facilities storage, where it is waiting for a place to be properly displayed.

"It'd be nice to see it displayed in the new dorm, or maybe in one of the science buildings," Hitt said.

No equipment remained in the magnetism lab. Hitt explained that, through the years, vandals broke into the lab and stole any copper or bits of equipment left behind.

Hitt said that the reason both labs fell into disuse was simply that nobody was conducting research there anymore.

"People in lines of research leave and retire all the time," she said. She also noted that changing technology could have played a factor in the abandonment of the buildings.

Hitt also explained that in the new Campus Master Plan, that area of campus is dedicated to research.

"Research' is a big word, though," she said.

Back in 1999, the area where the labs were located was marked as a biological preserve. In the spring, a group of OU researchers are performing an ecological study in the area to track invasive species.

"About 1,000 students go out there each year for research, so the area is being used in some way," Hitt said.

As of right now, there are no further plans for construction where the two labs were located, nor are there any finalized plans about the final resting place of the telescope.



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The larger photo shows the now-vacant area where the Kettering Magnetism Lab and Observatory stood on campus for over fifty years.

POLICE FILES

This is not a pipe

On Sept. 15, the smell of marijuana coming from a vehicle near the Ann V. Nicholson Apartments caught the attention of OUPD during a routine patrol. When the officer asked the driver if she had been smoking, the driver reached into the armrest, pulled out a glass pipe filled with marijuana and handed it to the officer. The driver said the pipe was leftover from a different night and assured the officer that no marijuana was smoked that day. OUPD proceeded to confiscate the pipe and gave the driver a citation for the use of marijuana.

Who took my cigarettes?

On Sept. 14, larceny was reported to have occurred in Vandenberg Hall two days prior. After a woman placed her purse in the kitchen area coat check, a man asked her for a cigarette. She responded by telling him where her purse was. When she returned to her purse, she discovered that her brand new Newport Menthol pack only had one cigarette left. When police questioned the man, he told OUPD he wasn't sure who took her cigarettes. OUPD suggested that he give them a call if he learned any new information.

Compiled by Robert Ogg
Intern Reporter

Professor celebrates twenty years of teaching

Faith Brody
Life Editor

Kitty Dubin is no stranger to the stage, or the page. Dubin is celebrating her 20th year as a playwriting professor at Oakland University by having one of her very own plays produced at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre (the JET) in West Bloomfield.

Dubin's play, "Rights of Passage," which opens the JET's 2016-2017 season, is a series of short plays about Jewish rites of passage, but the conflicts that arise in each short play are universal.

"You don't have to be Jewish to follow what's going on to relate to the characters in the conflict," Dubin said.

The JET's website touts, "With her trademark blend of laugh out loud comedy and heartfelt drama, Dubin explores the defining moments in the journey of life from birth to death."

She said that having her play produced at the JET, where she

has been the playwright-in-residence since 2006, is "tremendously validating."

It's been a long road for Dubin to share her passion for playwriting.

She approached Oakland exclusively in the 1990s to start a college playwriting class.

"I felt that with my knowledge of playwriting and my real-life experience, I would be the perfect person to teach playwriting," Dubin said, "But it took me two to three years to convince the powers that be that this was a good idea."

That "real-life experience" Dubin is talking about includes numerous productions of her plays around the country, teaching playwriting courses at Cranbrook and Macomb Community College, along with weekend workshops, such as the Young Playwrights Program.

She also has a master's degree in English and a postgraduate degree in stage, screen and television writing, both from Wayne State University.

She started teaching a two-credit playwriting class in the theatre department in 1997, after getting her foot in the door a couple of years prior. The class was expanded to a four-credit class and cross-listed as an English and theatre class. Due to the popularity of the class, an advanced class was added to further playwright training.

Since then, her students have had over 100 plays done through staged readings, performed in festivals or produced for local theatres. Some have gone on to win awards.

"I've had many magical classes and wonderful students," Dubin said about her years at OU.

Dubin advises students who want to go into playwriting to educate themselves about the craft.

"Don't assume that just because you've seen plays means that you can write plays," she said.

Dubin also says that having a writers' group for support and feedback is very important, because writing can be very "isolating."



Elyse Gregory / The Oakland Post

Kitty Dubin's most recent play, "Rights of Passage" focuses on Jewish rites and the conflicts that arise which are shown to be universal.

And that's what Dubin strives to provide in her playwriting classes.

Students who are interested can register for playwriting as either an English class (ENG 308) or theatre (THA 340).

The only prerequisite is WRT 160 with a grade of 2.0 or higher.

If students wish to continue their playwriting education, they can register for Advanced Playwriting with instructor permission.

"Rights of Passage" premieres Oct. 20 and runs through Nov. 13. For tickets and more information, visit <http://www.jettheatre.org>.

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Detroit Symphony Orchestra student discount is music to Oakland's ears

Soundcard gives students access to DSO events for \$25

Robert Ogg
Intern Reporter

Oakland University students have opportunities to explore the world of music both on and off campus. The Orchestra Hall at the Max M. Fisher Music Center (MAX) is home to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra (DSO).

The DSO offers \$25 Soundcard Student Memberships that grant access to classical, pop and jazz performances for an entire season. Soundcards can be purchased through the DSO website.

A 2016-2017 Soundcard Student Membership is valid from now until Aug. 31, 2017. The only requirement is that cardholders bring a student ID to the perfor-

mances they attend.

Purchasing a student Soundcard provides one free ticket to events. Seats can be reserved within two weeks of a concert date, but cardholders must show their student IDs to pick up their tickets.

The Max has many events scheduled for October, including classical performances by Garrick Ohlsson and Emeritus Neeme Järvi.

The DSO will perform the "Classical Mystery Tour," a tribute to The Beatles, from Oct. 14-16. "Murder Ballad," a rock musical by Julia Jordan and Juliana Nash, will also be shown at The Max throughout September and October.

"I think if you're a university student, you owe it to yourself to broaden your horizons, especially in the world of art," said Dr. Michael Mitchell, a music professor at OU.

Mitchell stressed that music can change lives.

"Art transcends boundaries . . . I think there's a lot [of music] out there that you could gain a passion for and be made into better human beings for having been exposed for it," he said.

Joy Crawford, executive assistant to the president and CEO at the DSO, encourages students to come view performances.

"In October, we have a month of concerts," Crawford said. "We have classical concerts for a couple of the weekends. We have a pops concert one weekend. On Oct. 7, we have a jazz concert. This is the Chick Corea Trio."

The DSO's website provides a full calendar of events. Concerts are color-coded according to whether they are classical, pops or jazz. Soundcard events are marked with a blue "S."

Every weekend in October, there is an opportunity to view a live performance. Presently, there are events scheduled every month up until July.

"The DSO really is one of the great symphony orchestras in the world," Mitchell said. "It's a real treasure. They play in one of the greatest concert halls in the world. They [perform] all different kinds of orchestral music."

Mitchell recommends that students purchase a Soundcard and urges them to not be intimidated by the formal setting.

"I think if you go and you go on a night where they play something that can really touch you, your life can be expanded," he said.

Soundcards can be purchased online or over the phone. For more information, visit dso.org or call the box office at (313) 576-5111.

BeDazzled by Meadow Brook Theatre's new fundraiser

Witches, cider, shopping, a Broadway crooner and more

Robert Andrews
Staff Reporter

The Meadow Brook Theatre Guild is proud to present its newest fundraising event in support of the Meadow Brook Theatre at Oakland University.

BeWitched & BeDazzled and will be held on Thursday, Oct. 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. off campus at the Palazzo Grande Banquet Facility, located in Shelby Township.

"Our main focus and goal is to support Meadow Brook Theater," said Terri Bendes, Meadow Brook Theatre Guild co-chair. "All of your fundraisers and time goes here to the theater to make sure everyone can continue to come and enjoy Meadow Brook."

The theme of the BeWitched & BeDazzled event is witches. The event puts away the common stereotype of witches, as guests and performers are encouraged to dress up as attractive witches, instead of the common scary witches.

The Guild has a lot planned for its

guests. They will have 31 vendors from which guests can shop, some of which include Fun Fur Design, Funky Threads and Queen Bee.

Raffle drawings, a silent auction, lunch, a cash bar, cider and donuts, and a special performance from Broadway's Tyrick Wiltez Jones are some of the other activities planned for the event.

Guests who dress up and enter the costume contest have the chance to win season tickets to plays at Meadow Brook Theatre, which will allow them to attend all of the plays performed at the theatre, with a value of \$500.

With the theme of the fundraiser being witches, MBT Guild members will be greeting guests in costume and handcrafted witch hats.

Guests will be able to bid for one of the 12 hats in a silent auction.

Once lunch starts, the winners of the silent auction will be announced.

"The ladies will then be entertained by one of the performers that has come here from Broadway several times, has done plays here at Meadow Brook and his name is Tyrick Wiltez Jones," Bendes said.

"[He's] just a fabulous young man. He is also on the board here at Meadow Brook.



Mary Mitchell / The Oakland Post

The Meadow Brook Theatre Guild will be conducting a brand-new event called Bewitched & BeDazzled. The event will be held on Thursday, Oct. 13 at Palazzo Grande Banquet Facility.

He is very supportive of what we do at the theater and we can't thank him enough because he is not charging us at all."

Jones will be performing clips from Broadway and Disney plays.

Tickets for the event are still on sale and are \$50 each. Tickets can be purchased at the Meadow Brook Theatre box office, located on the second floor of Wilson Hall. Tables can also be reserved for larger groups.

"The theater here itself is extremely supportive and helpful when we do our events and they are willing to sell our

tickets here at the box office, which they wouldn't have to do that. We can't thank the theater people here enough for their support of our events," Bendes said.

Palazzo Grande Banquet Facility is located at 54660 Van Dyke Ave. in Shelby Township.

The Meadow Brook Theatre Guild is a nonprofit organization that has been in existence for over 30 years. The Guild is the theatre's largest contributor.

Information about the event can be found at the box office or by emailing cre8tiv247@comcast.net.

THE PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE BREAKDOWN

More than 80 million people watched Republican nominee Donald Trump clash with Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton in the first presidential debate Monday night, making it the most-watched debate in American history.

Hofstra University in New York hosted the debate and Lester Holt of NBC News asked the questions. The candidates addressed numerous key issues that were presented in three different segments:

- Achieving Prosperity, which focused on taxes and jobs.
- America's Direction, which focused on race and gun violence.
- Securing America, which focused on America's national security.

Here's a look at where Trump and Clinton stood on the issues.

	Donald Trump	Hillary Clinton
Jobs	<p>When it came to jobs, Trump was nothing but business, and that was the basis for his business plan. He began by discussing how the United States is outsourcing jobs to Mexico and China, stating that he wants to take jobs from China and Mexico and bring them back to the American people.</p> <p>One of the major points of Trump's stance on jobs is the fact that he wants to reduce taxes from 35 percent to 15 percent for small businesses. Trump compared himself to President Ronald Reagan by saying that his tax cuts will be the largest since Reagan's presidency in the 1980s.</p> <p>Lastly, Trump criticized Clinton by saying that her economic policies are horrible and would do nothing to help alleviate the country's national debt.</p>	<p>Clinton discussed a much different job plan compared to Trump. Instead of pulling jobs from Mexico and China, she wants to build on the job policies that Obama started.</p> <p>She said she intends to create more jobs by investing in green energy initiatives, such as solar power and windmills. Clinton believes that the United States should jump on the opportunity to become a green energy superpower, as it will lead to the creation of millions of jobs for Americans.</p> <p>Addressing questions about trade, Clinton said that the U.S. needs a special prosecutor to enforce trade deals with other countries. Clinton also assured voters that she was originally against NAFTA and the Trans-Pacific Partnership, despite claims that she originally supported both deals.</p>
Taxes	<p>When it came to taxes, Trump said he supports a tax cut for the wealthy. However, Trump said he believes that his tax cut will positively impact the middle class in the long run by allowing wealthy business owners the opportunity to expand their businesses, and create more jobs.</p> <p>When pressured about his tax forms, however, Trump made a promise that when Clinton releases the 30,000 emails she deleted — she used a private email server while Secretary of State — he will let the world see his tax returns.</p>	<p>Clinton is on the opposite end of the spectrum when it comes to taxes, as she supports raising taxes on the wealthy. She also wants to work toward making college debt-free for students; both of these points were based on ideas from the Bernie Sanders campaign.</p> <p>Overall, Clinton wants to build on the middle class, and she said the U.S. does not need any more advantages for the wealthy.</p> <p>She also criticized Trump's refusal to release his tax returns, saying perhaps he is not as wealthy as he says or is doing business with someone he doesn't want the American citizens to know about. When prompted about her use of a private email server, however, Clinton responded that she had made a mistake and took responsibility.</p>
Race and Gun Control	<p>Trump's discussion on race and gun violence was mainly focused on, as he put it, "law and order." Trump said that in order to end police violence and shootings, there needs to be a return to law and order, especially on inner-city streets. Trump said he agrees with Clinton that we need to work for a feeling of "mutual respect between the people and law enforcement."</p> <p>Regarding gun control, Trump said he plans to work to keep weapons out of the hands of criminals, those who are not mentally fit to own a gun and those on the no-fly list.</p>	<p>Clinton said race is one of America's biggest issues. Like Trump, she said citizens need to work to maintain a better relationship with the police. In order to do this, she suggested that Americans need to bring communities together.</p> <p>Clinton also wants to retrain officers to end racial bias, help prevent more police shootings and make police better prepared for altercations.</p> <p>She also wants to implement stricter gun control. She said she wants more background checks and does not want people who are on the no-fly list to be able to buy a gun. She also wants to impose stricter gun laws.</p>
National Security	<p>First, Trump criticized NATO, and he said believes that the other countries of the military alliance are not paying their dues to the overall organization. He also said he doesn't like that the U.S. has to defend countries that are not paying their fair share.</p> <p>He said he believes NATO is not prepared at the moment to fight against terrorism. He said the military alliance needs more training to combat ISIS. Trump also said he believes that NATO should take military action in the Middle East to destroy ISIS.</p> <p>Trump said he believes the U.S. is losing the security of the internet to ISIS and that ISIS is using the internet to radicalize U.S. citizens. One of his main initiatives as president would be to work with tech groups to take ISIS off the internet, he said.</p> <p>Trump was a major critic of the fact that Clinton displays the ways she intends to defeat ISIS on her website. According to Trump, she is giving away plans to the enemies, and that is not what Gen. Douglas MacArthur would have done during World War II.</p>	<p>Clinton's ideas on national security mirror those of President Obama's administration, and she said she believes we need to work closer with our allies in the Middle East to defeat ISIS.</p> <p>Clinton also supports more airstrikes in Syria and said that our current strategy will work in defeating ISIS. She stressed the need to maintain a lasting and strong relationship with our Middle Eastern allies.</p> <p>However, she said she does believe that Russians are a real threat to American national security due to the fact that Russia is the main suspect in the hacking of the DNC that revealed the rigging of the democratic primary election.</p> <p>She said the U.S. will not hesitate to engage in cyber warfare to defend ourselves from Russia and China.</p>

WELCOME, OCTOBER



9 A.M.

SPB New York City Trip tickets go on sale
CSA Window, Oakland Center

11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Study Abroad Fair
Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center



9 - 10 A.M.

Free Cider and Donuts
Second Year Experience
Between North and South
Foundation Halls

10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Campus Student Organic
Farm Stand
South Side of the Oakland Center

12 - 1 P.M.

Psi Chi GRE Workshop
Gold Rooms, Oakland Center

OUSC Tuition Equality
Forum
Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

3 - 5 P.M.

OU Feminists Slut Walk
Begins at Elliott Tower



ALL DAY

Last day to apply for
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8 P.M.

Student Video
Productions Paint U
Between Bear Lake and the
Oakland Center



12 - 5 P.M.

Phi Sigma Sigma Kicks
for Kids
Auburn Hills Civic Center

12 - 2 P.M.

Softball vs. SVSU
Oakland Softball Field

7 P.M.

Womens Soccer vs. UIC
Oakland Soccer Field



12 - 6 P.M.

OUSC & Spanish
Department Fiesta
in Detroit
Sign up at OUSC

12 - 2 P.M.

Softball vs. Madonna
Oakland Softball Field

3 - 5 P.M.

Oakland Symphony
Orchestra Performance
Varner Hall



11 A.M. - 3 P.M.

OUSC Rock for Rights
Outside of North and South
Foundation Halls

4-6 P.M.

OUSC General Body
Meeting
Oakland Room, Oakland Center



12 - 2 P.M.

National Student
Exchange Study Away
Information Meeting
Lake Huron Room, Oakland
Center

12 - 1 P.M.

CMI Workshop: A Still
Life Painting of Latino
Iconicism
Room 128, Oakland Center

Drew's Review: Top 10 Songs of 2016

Drew Hagge
WXOU Sports Director

1. "Formation" — Beyoncé
2. "Nights" — Frank Ocean
3. "Summer Friends" — Chance the Rapper
4. "Father Stretch My Hands Pt. 1" — Kanye West
5. "No Problem" — Chance the Rapper
6. "Broccoli" — D.R.A.M.
7. "Champions" — Kanye West
8. "The Season / Carry Me" — Anderson .Paak
9. "Ooouuu" — Young M.A.
10. "Groovy Tony / Eddie Kane" — ScHoolboy Q

Beyoncé's talent as a female popstar is unprecedented. No artist before her has been able to combine the two most important factors in pop-stardom — dancing ability and raw vocal strength — quite like the Queen Bey. Beyoncé, and even Janet Jackson, remain the best artists pop music has seen since

Michael Jackson.

Much of Beyoncé's success can be attributed to her inclusivity. And the relatable break-up and make-up songs, such as "Irreplaceable," are intended to have that effect. However, "Formation" speaks to a specific group of people. "Formation" is a celebration of blackness that's most obvious in lyrics like, "I like my baby heir with baby hair and afros / I like my negro nose with Jackson 5 nostrils."

Furthermore, Beyoncé protested the killings of unarmed black people across America at the hands of police by standing atop a police car in her "Formation" video.

To those few that haven't paid attention to following Beyoncé, "Formation" may come as a surprise. "Saturday Night Live" even went as far to perform a reactionary sketch titled "The Day Beyoncé Turned Black."

Throughout 2016, Beyoncé has become not just the voice for people either entering or leaving a relationship, but has also grown into one of the most important figures in today's social climate, a climate that has birthed social activist groups like the Black Lives Matter movement.

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HOME SWEET HOME

Golden Grizzlies celebrate homecoming weekend

1. TOGA AT THE TOWER As part of the Homecoming and Reunion Weekend events, students wore togas and laurel wreaths to attend Toga at the Tower. WXOU provided music and National Coney Island provided food for the attendees. Also available to the students were airbrush tattoos, photo booths and other activities.

Photo by Mary Mitchell



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2. PASSION FOR PERFORMING Students from the Oakland University Department of Music, Theatre and Dance put on a show for the crowd in Varner Recital Hall Saturday night. MTD students will be performing Scarlet Pimpernel Oct. 6-16 in Varner Hall.

Photo by Dongfu Han

3. DANCING IN THE DARK In front of a large audience, MTD students presented Black and Gold: Performing Arts Extravaganza on Saturday night.

Photo by Dongfu Han



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4. HOMECOMING HUGS Oakland alumna and former OUSC president Annie Meinberg takes a photo with senior Taylor LaMagna and the Grizz at the tailgate. The OUSC tailgate was held on top of the P29 parking structure. Cotton candy, soft drinks and T-shirts were given out for free.

Photo by Nowshin Chowdhury

5. GOLDEN GRILLMASTERS Student Veterans of OU offered burgers, hot dogs and drinks to participants at the tailgate for free. Some people brought their own grills.

Photo by Nowshin Chowdhury

Jobs don't just grow on trees

Individuality, personality, resume, contribute to scoring better employment

Amy Swanson
Staff Reporter

In search of a job, you stumble across a listing that sparks your interest. Only one problem: you don't meet a lot of the qualifications.

The question then becomes whether to move on or go for it anyway. Many say it's worth a shot.

This includes Associate Director for Career Services Kelly Dorner, who worked in human resources for 20 years before coming to Oakland University.

"The rule of thumb I tell people is if you meet at least 70-80 percent of the requirements, then yes, it's a good idea to go ahead and throw the name into the hat," she said.

This is because most companies now have an applicant tracking system, which is a large database of resumes.

"So even if somebody is not considered for that particular position, it doesn't mean they wouldn't be considered for something else down the road," she said.

However, Dorner warned that anything less than 70 percent would make the applicant look like they didn't read the job requirements thoroughly.

As for that long list of posted requirements, the wording is important. If something is "required," that often means the company needs it met from a legal standpoint. However, terms like "preferred" may mean the company can be more lenient.

So, how can a slightly-underqualified person go about landing the job?

One major point is not to focus on or apologize for one's lack of skills or experience, according to The Muse.

Instead, stay positive and describe strengths and abilities that would apply well to that job. Dorner said the resume should focus on transferable skills, and how the tasks one did at a previous job can specifically translate into the new job's environment.

Also, an individual's "soft skills," or more personal characteristics, are often very valuable.

"Many times, if someone has all of the hard skills in the world but the interviewer can't picture working 40 hours a week with them, they still may not get the job," Dorner said.

Soft skills help to show that the applicant would fit culturally into the organization.



Elyse Gregory / The Oakland Post

As students start applying for potential jobs, OU's Career Services can be beneficial. They offer consultations for job search strategies and can help students learn to network with employers.

"This is great news because it means that who you are as a person matters when you're applying for a job, and often it can more than compensate in areas you're lacking," according to USA Today College.

Similarly, one should showcase personality into these documents.

"Instead of simply stating that you're an organized, detail-oriented person in your cover letter, tell a story about how your co-workers tease you for alphabetizing the books sitting on your desk," said USA Today College.

In order to stand out from other, possibly more-qualified, candidates, some may try to submit unusual resume formats. For example, infographic resumes use images and text to tell the person's story, according to BigInterview.com.

While this highlights one's creativity and cleverness, its effectiveness depends on the industry. In addition, some hiring managers may not be open to these unconventional resumes, or they may not even be accepted for online submissions, according to BigInterview.com

Dorner cautions the use of these formats, as employers usually take 60 to 90 seconds to decide what to do with a resume.

"The second it becomes distracting or un-scannable, they'll immediately go into the 'no' pile because someone who's looking through dozens, or maybe hundreds, of resumes want to be able to make a decision and move onto the next," she said.

If one still wishes to showcase their

originality, Dorner said these innovative resumes could be used in addition to the traditional version and brought to more suitable places like interviews or career fairs.

Perhaps the better way to stand out is by simply doing everything else right.

According to The Muse, "You can't afford to slip up when you think your resume might be on the bottom of the pile. That means sending every thank you note on time, following up in a timely (but not annoying) fashion and proofreading your resume and cover letter a dozen times over to check for errors."

Being proactive can also help one's chances of landing the job.

This includes educating oneself on the company or interviewer before meeting. Applicants can also use LinkedIn to look up current employees of that company, learning how they positioned themselves in order to score that interview.

OU's Career Services can be beneficial to students, as it offers opportunities like consultations for job search strategies and teaching ways to better network with employers.

And if a person has their heart set on a certain job, they can get help customizing their resume to really target the position they're after.

Even without fulfilling all of those job requirements, maybe take a chance on applying — who knows where it might lead?

CRAZIEST RESUME FORMATS

Baptiste Chatellier

Carved his cover letter into a wooden skateboard, according to CreativeMarket.com

Melissa Washin

A graphic designer sewed her resume onto fabric to land her first job, according to Business Insider

Robby Leonardi

Developed an interactive Super Mario-style resume online, where advancing levels would reveal more about his work and experience, according to TheNextWeb.com

Vick Marovi

Crafted his resume to look like a cereal box, according to CreativeMarket.com

Sabrina Saccoccio

Based her resume on a Facebook profile to include items like her interests, as well as recommendations from previous employers that were posted on her 'wall,' according to Business Insider

Jens Lennartsson

Made small action figures of himself to send to places he wanted to work. Its packaging listed his skills and the toy came with a brochure of his previous work, according to Core77.com

Joe Kelso:

Created his resume in the form of an action-packed movie poster, according to Business Insider

Jenny Johns:

Developed a resume board game that could be played with pieces and dice, according to CreativeMarket.com

Compiled by
Amy Swanson

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The price of free speech on campus

Joshua Bruning
Computer Science and
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On Wednesday, Sept. 21, an individual came to campus. This man did the usual thing that we as OU students have come accustomed to on decently pleasant days: he picked a spot in front of the OC, and he yelled to get the attention that he wanted.

However, instead of announcing what organization he was a part of, instead of handing out free things to students passing by (which is the best way to attract students to anything, outside of giving free food or free tuition), this man started to speak in "religious" terms. And worst yet, he spread that out to politics and events that have affected multiple nations.

I know not what this man wanted to truly get across, but like Donald Trump, he gained a crowd through similar tactics trying to fear monger and speaking with disdain toward other peoples.

When I stumbled across this man, I was leaving the library to go make my last tuition payment of the semester. I, of course, could see the crowd from the library, but with no stands or tables for distributing information, my interest had peaked wildly.

When I approached the crowd, I made my first mistake, listening to this man. A man with nothing but a backpack, his phone in hand, and a worn-out Bible was preaching about the horrors and awful sins that Muslims commit when seeking refuge in Europe's nations, and how it has spread to nations all around the world.

I won't go into specifics, but when listening to him, I thought three things:

- 1) What were his sources?
 - 2) Did he actually have a message that he wanted to convey, other than his disdain for other peoples?
 - 3) I wonder if I could write about this and make it into The Oakland Post.
- That last thought was spurred by someone handing out The Post as this man talked.

I watched this man for about 10 minutes or so as he not only preached the word of his beliefs and faiths (in summary, everyone will go to hell if we don't follow exactly what he was talking about. I will not go into specifics here, as I don't want The Oakland Post to be barraged with comments about how could they print what this dumb com-

puter science and engineering student is writing).

I heard more than one student ask this man any question(s) they had, only to have them Donald Trump'd, in that he either rolled back to a statement that he considered safe, or gave a vague response to answer the question that would only satisfy himself.

Finally, I asked this man "What are your sources?" I shouldn't have been surprised to hear him respond that he had seen this on the news and online. Yay! No credible sources for me to track down.

Regardless, I witnessed individual after individual try to convince this guy of their way of thinking, to see reason in what they were trying to convey, to teach this man who had clearly strayed far off the reservation.

I left for some time to reheat my travel mug of coffee and to make my last tuition payment. This only took about 10 minutes.

When I came back to see this man, I asked around to see if I missed anything. The man had gone from talking about Islam, ISIS and the Middle East (I was there for some of that), to talking about the LGBT community, women, other religions, Christians (which I felt was curious, considering he was attacking many people who would follow some of his beliefs), people of different races and ethnicities, and science/higher learning in general.

Flabbergasted, I felt that the only choices that I had were to either leave and miss the show, sit back and dream that I had some popcorn, or talk to some of the other students listening. For those of you reading, the only correct choice here was to leave and forget about this man, but I did make a joke saying that I always wanted to go and see a Trump rally.

I watched as many students with good questions, solid logic and reasoning, and an honest willingness to have this man listen and hear what they were saying to see the error of his preaching. I talked to some students of various backgrounds, talked to a very intelligent and patient young woman who wanted to show/tell him the truth about Islam (for which he made a disgusting comment claiming that the Quran says liars or something have their fingers and hands cut off, and something about sexual abuse). This response got quite the reaction from the crowd.

After talking to this young woman, I learned that she really did want to show him the error of his ways and rhetoric. Convinced that I should leave, I talked to several more individuals before finally jumping in the middle of the gunfire of spite that was coming from all directions to this man, for which he gave just as much back.

I walked in and yelled "EXCUSE ME EVERYONE!! Your attention please . . . I'm a student here at Oakland. I just got back from making my last payment to my tuition this semester. Now, I don't know about you, but we have to give this man less power. We have to leave. So, what I'm going to do is go cry about paying \$2,000 for my class, read the \$300 textbook that I had to buy for this class, study so I can take my first exam in this class, which I will probably fail. Now, let's leave and just go to the library. Come on everyone! Let's go to the library!"

I tried stopping one man from asking a question, failed, and continued to proceed to the library. I looked back to see only one young woman walking away. I have no idea if she was the only one who heard me speak, but I could still hear yelling all the way to the library.

I truly did want everyone to disperse. Yes, this man was exercising his First Amendment right of freedom of speech. Yes, this man was intentionally offending many people and their backgrounds. And the only solution I had was to convey my message for everyone to leave, give no information on my background (other than my name), and be the example that I wanted to see from everyone else by leaving.

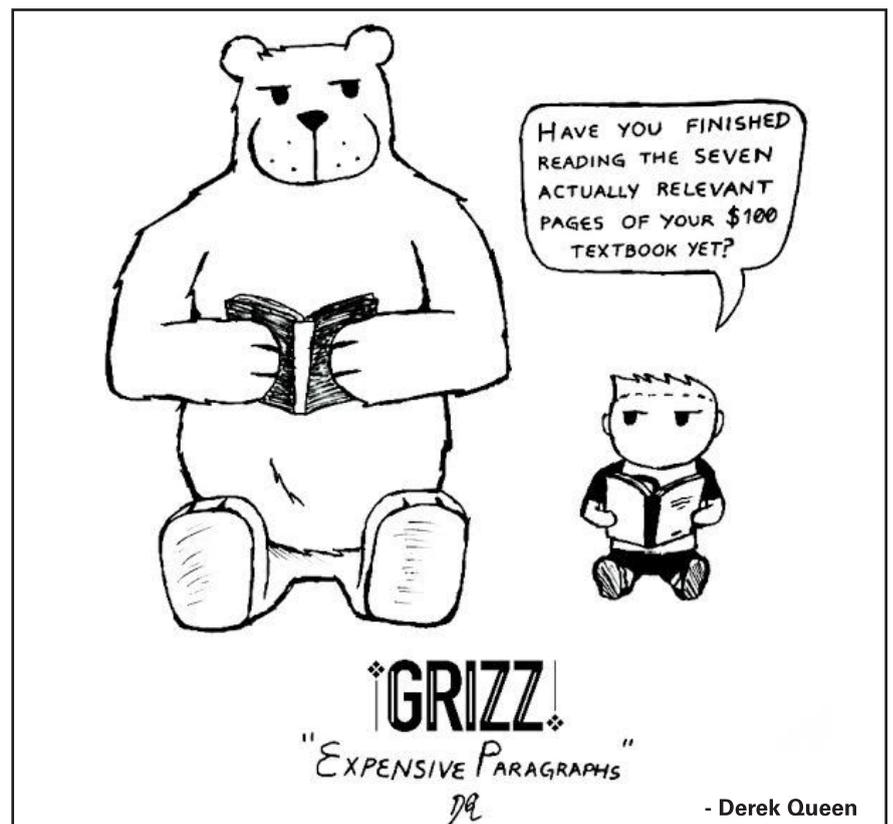
In the end, I made as much of a difference as the man with the horrible rhetoric. I tried to show that one person could make a positive change and be that example.

But when everyone has their heels dug into the dirt, all you can do is be another voice and try to be the example for the change that you want to see.

If you liked what you read, send me an email at jmbrunin@oakland.edu, and I'll try to think of one more good article before finals hit.

Thank you for reading. And have a nice day, semester and life.

For more information about the incident discussed in this Letter to the Editor, see the article on page 6.



Terrorism and truth in the age of criticism

Disingenuity in media, facts of tragic attacks, must be reported

Isaac Martin
Political Columnist

The recent, tragic bombings on New York's affluent west side may have injured "only" 29 people, but the political effect may be vastly greater. In the aftermath of the attack and the manhunt that ensued, it became clear that



political expedience trumps truth, even to the detriment of public safety.

The day after the attack, New York Mayor Bill de Blasio stated that there was "no evidence that this

was a terror incident." He stated this even as NYPD and FBI agents were tracking Ahmad Khan Rahami, a known ISIS sympathizer.

There is a disconnect there. While there is merit in being sensitive and measured in a crisis, in this case, it seems like the mayor refused to acknowledge an obvious truth. However, this isn't the first time public figures have refused to call these attacks what they are: the product of radical jihadi terrorists.

Another example of such disingenuity occurred in Orlando, Florida, in June. A predominantly gay nightclub was attacked by a man who called police and pledged his allegiance to ISIS. There couldn't be a more cut-and-dry case of radical jihadism, could there?

Wrong. In the wake of that shooting spree, several major media outlets hypothesized this to be the result of right-wing, Christian-hate rhetoric. It seemed somewhat plausible at the time to speculate this; however, as the smoke began to clear, the narrative didn't change. As

a result, something surprising was published.

In what would have been an ironic piece but for the tragic events which inspired it, Al-Qaeda of the Arabian Peninsula ran an article in their periodical of terrorism, Inspire magazine, that urged avoiding attacks against minorities. This seems sensible enough — don't kill innocent people.

Their motives were less pristine, unfortunately. They instead "advise targeting areas where the Anglo-Saxon community is generally populated." This terrorist organization told its followers to kill white people, so the message doesn't get distorted by the media. If this Inspire piece isn't smoking gun evidence of media bias in America, I don't know what is.

Benjamin Franklin once quipped that, "any fool can criticize, condemn, and complain — and most fools do." The growing threat of terror in America and the unwillingness of key media members and statespeople to call radical jihadism by its name will not go away by

“Benjamin Franklin once quipped that, 'Any fool can criticize, condemn, and complain — and most fools do.'”

merely complaining.

We must recognize that no, not every Muslim is our enemy. In fact, radical jihadis kill more Muslims than any other group. We need to unite together against this very present danger. Get involved!

Write letters to your local newspaper (ahem, like this one), don't be afraid to express your views in conversation and make a difference right where you are at. Yet this can only be accomplished if we as a society are free to call a spade a spade without being labeled an "Islamophobe."

Disagree with the author? He would love to hear your thoughts at itmartin2014@gmail.com.

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A closer look: Fear and voting in America

Alex Stevens
Political Columnist

Perhaps because of their historically low likability ratings, both Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton appear to want to gin up unnecessary fear in order to win your vote.

As is usually the case with partisan politics, each side has retreated to a respective hot-button issue to fear-monger voters into action this November.



On the right, Trump and the Republicans seem devoted to making sure everyone thinks that immigrants and refugees are going to kill Americans, regardless of what the data says.

For example, on Monday, Sept. 19, Donald Trump Jr. tweeted out a meme that said:

If I had a bowl of skittles and I told you just three would kill you [sic]. Would you take a handful? That's our Syrian refugee problem.

Donald Trump Jr. is on to something with this Skittles analogy; he's just getting the numbers completely wrong. In the process, he is misleading voters to think the threat of terrorism from Syrian refugees is much greater than it actually is.

In a response to the tweet, Alex Nowrasteh, an immigration policy analyst at the Cato Institute, pointed out the flaws in the numbers relating to Trump Jr.'s Skittle's analogy. He wrote:

Social media immediately took up arms to attack him. I think the Skittles meme is actually a valuable and useful way to understand the foreign-born terrorist threat but size of the bowl is way too small. This is the proper Skittles analogy:

Imagine a bowl full of 3.25 million Skittles that has been accumulated from 1975 to the end of 2015. We know that 20 of the Skittles in that bowl intended to do harm but only three of those 20 are actually fatal. That means that one in 1.08 million of them is deadly. It gets even better though. There are over three hundred million Americans and not everyone can get a Skittle. This means that the chance of any American actually eating the fatal Skittle and perishing is about one in 3.64 billion a year during the 41-year time period. Do you eat from the bowl without quaking in your boots? I would.

The glaring discrepancy between the randomly chosen "statistic" from Trump Jr.'s tweet and the actual data regarding terrorism orchestrated by refugees shouldn't surprise anyone. Trump's

populist campaign has always been about presenting himself as the person who can solve all our problems, even when those problems don't actually exist.

Of course, the left also has no problem inventing imaginary threats to American life.

"In order to get elected, they have to keep you scared."

Take for instance, Clinton's attacks against what she calls "the gig economy" (companies like Uber and Lyft). To Clinton, these companies don't represent a better service provided in a cheaper and more convenient way (in other words, economic progress). To her, these companies that enrich our lives and make urban travel cheaper and more convenient represent a threat—one that needs to be reined in by regulation.

In a speech she gave regarding the gig economy, Clinton said she wants to address companies like Uber by "crack[ing] down on bosses who exploit employees by classifying them as contractors."

To people like Clinton who are unfamiliar with work outside of government, a private arrangement to work for a particular wage on a basis agreed to by both parties may seem like exploitation, but to the average person looking to make some more money in a flexible and convenient way, jobs at companies like Uber represent economic opportunity.

Much like Trump's approach to immigration, the picture Clinton paints regarding Uber doesn't match reality. But when public policy is more about meaning well than doing actual good, politicians don't have time for reality. In order to get things done, they have to get elected. In order to get elected, they have to keep you scared.

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The President's Report

Zack Thomas
Student Body President

Hello, my fellow OU students! Thank you for joining me for this September edition of the President's Report.

Since the last time, a couple of important points have come up for your Oakland University Student Congress to review.

Anders, your vice president, and I met with President Hynd and V.P. McIntosh again on Sept. 22. We discussed project updates, a thank-you for the transparency regarding this year's Winter College trip, and the future of parking on campus.

To provide a quick update, it seems we are at near-full capacity with regard to parking at several points during the day, and in order to facilitate parking change, there are a few possibilities: 1) maintain the current system with parking at full capacity, 2) add in premier parking lots which students, faculty, and administrators would have to pay for if parking in those lots, or 3) incorporate permit parking into tuition costs. There are also couple of other nuanced approaches similar to 1, 2, and 3.

Anders, our administration and I will always fight for the most convenient options for students. Administration seems to be wanting to go the route of Option No. 3 to manage parking congestion since we last spoke, while we are in favor of No. 1 and/or No. 2.

We are still discussing specifics with administrators, and we will come out with a collaborative survey soon to obtain student input to determine the best solution, so we can speak to the president and vice president about making those solutions a reality. We will definitely continue to keep you updated as soon as we obtain more information!

As for other projects, your OU Student Congress has currently registered over 300 people to vote in the upcoming November general election using both paper mail-in forms and our free

online portal, TurboVote, at oakland.turbovote.org.

These numbers are fantastic, and definitely trump last year's numbers, but we still have several weeks to go before the close-of-registration deadline on Oct. 11, and several big pushes yet to make to increase our numbers: we will be tabling in the OC, will send registrations under each door in Housing, and will have mobile Secretary of State on Oct. 3 outside of South Foundation! We will continue to collect voter registrations at the OUSC office in the basement of the OC until Oct. 6!

Additionally, I have currently taken an interest in reforming certain aspects of the OU website and MySAIL page, more specifically related to 1) the site opening up new tabs each time one searches through the site or clicks on a link, and 2) that students (I remember this from working in Orientation) are often frustrated with the registration system because in order to get all of the information they need, students are likely to have to have three tabs open to show i) add/drop screen, ii) class times, and iii) visual of class schedule.

I met with faculty and administration from the School of Engineering and Computer Science, and Orientation and New Student Programs, and they agree with me that some of these are worth looking into fixing.

The awesome thing about having different offices in support is that it exponentially amplifies our chances of making quick fixes like this to improve the Oakland experience for everyone!

As always, as YOUR Student Body President, I seek to represent the needs and concerns of my fellow students. Any student suggestions, concerns, or ideas regarding any of these ideas or more can be emailed to ousc@oakland.edu, or relayed to us at OUSC meetings! We meet regularly in the Oakland Room of the Oakland Center at 4 p.m. on Mondays.

Sincerely,

Zack

Political Focus: Candidates' plans for ISIS

Melissa Deatsch
Political Columnist

As promised in the Political Focus on the aftermath of Sept. 11, this edition of Political Focus will take a look at the biggest terror threat the United States faces today: ISIS.

Sept. 19 saw three attacks on American soil in 12 hours, explosions in New York and New Jersey and a stabbing spree in a Minnesota mall.

What ISIS wants

The ultimate goal of ISIS is to create a caliphate in Iraq, Syria and beyond. A caliphate is territory governed by Sharia Law. This type of governance is notorious for its ruthless punishments, such as cutting off the hand of a thief.



In an article in a jihadi magazine, "Why we hate you and why we want to fight you," ISIS outlined its reasons for wanting to fight Western countries.

First and foremost, extremists hate Westerners for their way of life and resistance to extremist religion.

Secondly, they hate the West for its foreign policy decisions in the Middle East.

It's important to understand that the members of ISIS are acting with ex-

trémist beliefs in the Islamic religion. It's also important to understand that, though the majority of what we see in the news (and the focus of this article) are attacks on European or U.S. civilians, the vast majority of people killed by ISIS are Muslims in the Middle East.

Why are they so dangerous?

Since the peak of their territorial control in Iraq and Syria in 2014, ISIS has been losing land, according to the Pentagon. However, this doesn't necessarily make the group less dangerous because of their tactics in extending their influence in other countries.

ISIS has been very active with propaganda and recruitment over the internet, specifically social media. Their online campaigns have inspired terrorist attacks by civilians, making them even more dangerous than the terrorist attacks they conduct themselves.

As CNN reported, since 2014 ISIS has conducted or inspired 140 terrorist attacks outside of Iraq and Syria that have resulted in the deaths of 2,043 people and injured thousands more.

What the Obama administration has done

The Obama administration has led an international coalition against ISIS with 66 other countries. The mission has been highlighted with airstrikes targeting ISIS leaders and ISIS-related

resources.

ISIS has gained control of a lot of Syria's oil, which has become their main source of revenue. The Obama administration has been criticized for its limitations on attacking these oil sources. For example, in 2014 the Pentagon admitted they were trying to damage the oil refineries, but not destroy them, in hopes that they'd still be usable in a post-ISIS world.

In the last year, however, the U.S.-led coalition has gotten more aggressive in going after these oil assets.

The Obama administration has tried to limit the ground troops fighting against ISIS. Initially, the U.S. troops stationed in the Middle East were there to offer advice, rather than to conduct their own operations.

In December 2015, the number of troops were increased in order to up the intelligence collection and operations against ISIS.

What will the candidates do?

In regard to the candidates' plans to fight ISIS, two major questions were raised in Monday's debate. 1) What will you do to protect American citizens against attacks on U.S. soil? 2) What will you do to take out ISIS in the Middle East?

Trump claims to keep most of his plans to take out ISIS in the Middle East secret, so as not to give the enemy ac-

cess to that information. However, during Monday's debate, he said he wants to go with NATO allies into the Middle East and surrounding countries to go after ISIS.

Additionally, he has repeatedly stated his plan to go after the oil assets, though he has stated no specifics as to how his plan will differ from what President Obama has been doing.

Both candidates have supported the air campaign against ISIS, and Clinton specifically highlighted going after the leaders of ISIS in Monday's debate. Her website states she hopes to pursue diplomatic strategy to resolve the Syrian War and the conflict between Sunni and Shiite Muslims.

However, there is no indication of how she will extinguish tensions between two branches of the Islamic religion that date back to the seventh century.

As far as protecting against attacks on American soil, Trump's answer is to ban immigration from countries like Iraq and Syria where terrorists may be taking advantage of the system. Experts have agreed that the only foolproof way to ensure no terrorists enter the U.S. is to block immigration.

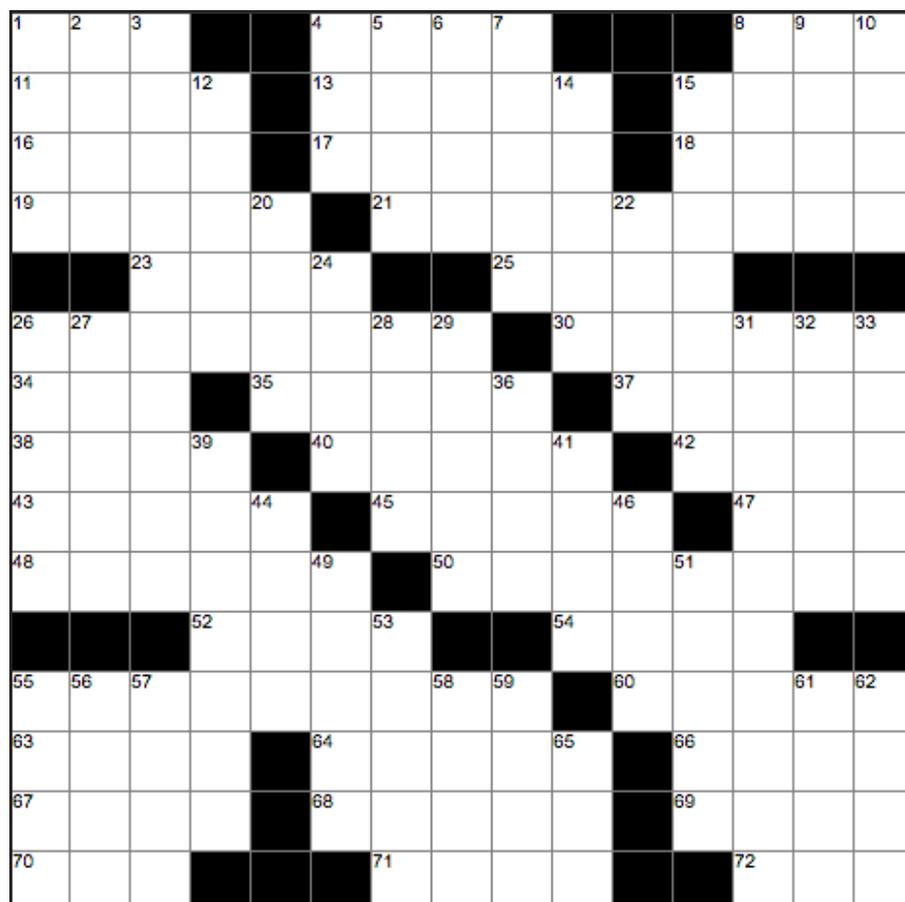
However, this plan has been met with heavy criticism from many, including Clinton, who says that isolating Muslims is the opposite of the strategy we need to fight ISIS.

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Puzzles



Across

- 1: Block passage through
- 4: Airport vehicles
- 8: Practical joke
- 11: Town-crier's cry
- 13: Employs
- 15: Cass Elliot, once
- 16: Cocktail hour spread
- 17: Reputation in society
- 18: Bug-eyed
- 19: Prepare eggs, in a way
- 21: It can't be cloned
- 23: Hit the ____ (get mad)
- 25: Unload, as stock
- 26: Group with irons
- 30: Friars Club events
- 34: Electrical unit
- 35: Represent onstage
- 37: Alexander's adjective
- 38: They're 16th of 26
- 40: Many a 'Mad' article
- 42: Carp cousin
- 43: Having divisions, as a window
- 45: Synagogue scroll
- 47: Inch fraction
- 48: Having star quality?
- 50: Make a long, grandiloquent speech
- 52: Six-stringed fiddle
- 54: Night light

55: Moneymen

- 60: Extreme diets
- 63: Film follower
- 64: Soft palate part
- 66: Informal voucher
- 67: Golf ball pegs
- 68: Chrysler product
- 69: Go backpacking
- 70: Trite
- 71: Moist
- 72: Kind of talk

Down

- 1: Strikes
- 2: Indian maid
- 3: The golden years
- 4: McBride of 'Boston Public'
- 5: Goals
- 6: Breakfast grain
- 7: Western lilies
- 8: Wild (over)
- 9: All over the place
- 10: Plum variety, commonly
- 12: Round numbers?
- 14: Runoff collector
- 15: Wild duck
- 20: Thorny flower
- 22: Whip
- 24: Marshes
- 26: Old man, to a kid
- 27: Ostrich look-alikes
- 28: Spellbound
- 29: Newshawk's triumph
- 31: Maritime skill
- 32: Unspoken
- 33: Inscribed pillar
- 36: Ripped apart
- 39: Waiters, e.g.
- 41: Raise crops
- 44: Speaker's place
- 46: Horse's foot
- 49: Yoga position
- 51: Disliked insect
- 53: Cherished
- 55: Wild about
- 56: Caroling song
- 57: Contended
- 58: Obnoxious
- 59: Deli side
- 61: Young'un
- 62: Blended-family prefix
- 65: Whichever

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Mary Mitchell / The Oakland Post

Thousands of runners and walkers participated in this year's HAP Brooksie Way Half Marathon, 10K, 5K, and Fun Run. The annual race begins and ends on campus at Meadow Brook Amphitheatre.

ON THE WAY TO THE FINISH LINE

Community, alumni run annual HAP Brooksie Way race

Christian Miller
Intern Reporter

Cool, crisp air welcomed 4,583 runners and walkers as they laced up for the ninth-annual HAP Brooksie Way Half Marathon, 10K, 5K and Fun Run. Participants congregated at Oakland University's Meadow Brook Amphitheatre Sunday morning.

The race commemorated the late son of Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson. Brooks "Brooksie" Stuart Patterson was 28 when he died in a snowmobile accident in 2007.

OU is a sponsor of the race.

For some, the event was more of a community gathering than a race. Food trucks, cool down stations and live music from Robyn Marriott and the McIntyre Trio, among others, greeted spectators and participants near the starting line.

Prior to running, competitors warmed up with stretches, high kicks and light jogs. Among them were many Oakland alumni.

Ryan Beck, a 2015 Oakland graduate and returning Brooksie Way competitor, was focused and in the zone.

"This is my fourth year running in the Brooksie Way Half Marathon," Beck said. "I started running around 12 years old when I signed up for what I thought was cross country skiing, but [which] ironically enough was running."

To condition for the race, Beck followed a basic program.

"I prepared for this half marathon with daily light running and weightlifting," he said. "Also, I avoided pop. I encourage anyone interested in participating to have fun, and definitely consider training two to three weeks prior, or it's going to be rough."

After the singing of the national anthem, the first wave of runners hit the course at 8:05 a.m. With the half marathon well underway, the next wave of 10K and 5K runners positioned themselves in the appropriate order.

Decked out in Golden Grizzly attire, 2004 alumnus Charles Krohn and his wife,

2006 alumna Bronwyn Krohn, were not strangers to the venue.

"This is our third Brooksie," Charles Krohn said. "I think it's fun to get out, get some exercise and be competitive, especially on such a beautiful route and campus."

His wife echoed his comments.

"We are die-hard Oakland fans," Bronwyn Krohn said. "In fact, Charles and I were engaged at Meadow Brook Hall. There's nothing like the peacefulness of the rolling scenery. You can't beat it."

After all the participants had embarked on their races, volunteers and organizers continued their work. Medical personnel patrolled all routes on golf carts ready to transport participants to a fully-staffed medical tent at the start line. Law enforcement also restricted traffic flow and escorted participants.

Start-line captain John Tarantino assisted in coordination efforts and reiterated the need for safety.

"We usually don't see too many injuries, but the biggest threat is dehydration," he said. "Even with the multiple hydration stations placed on the route, a few people

suffer from that."

Tarantino also explained the true scale of the event.

"We have a lot of people, probably over 80 on the start line alone," Tarantino said. "It is a big event and takes a lot of people to move properly."

Keeping with the values of the race, Tarantino emphasized the importance of volunteer work and donation.

"All runners should volunteer at least once a year for a race just to get a real appreciation for all the organizing that goes into it," he said. "Registering is very easy, especially because there are so many positions to fill. Anyone interested should check out the race's website www.thebrooksieway.com."

Since its implementation, the HAP Brooksie Way has distributed nearly \$150,000 in Brooksie Way MiniGrants that benefit local communities through the support of health and fitness programs.

Luke Humphrey won the half marathon in 1:09:01. John Worthington II won the 10K in 34:38. Donald Richmond won the 5K in 16:41, and Steven Hansen won the half-marathon walk in 2:09:03.



Freshman defender Nyal Higgins scored the final goal for Oakland in the 79th minute, which earned the Golden Grizzlies their win.

Elyse Gregory / The Oakland Post

Men's soccer wins tough one in Detroit

Squad comes back from 1-0 deficit, league record at 3-0

Sam Schlenner
Sports Editor

The game at Detroit on Wednesday, Sept. 21, was the definition of "grinding it out." Players were dropping like flies. At mid-70s, sunny, barely any wind, the cramps attacked. The clock was stopped four times for injury or stretching. Oakland men's soccer won 2-1.

Detroit attacked quickly, scoring in the sixth minute. Detroit's Tommy Bowman shot from 20 yards out at the top of the box. The grounder went to the back post, catching Oakland goalkeeper Liam McQueenie on the right side.

The Titan pressure kept up for 10 more minutes, but a change came around the 17th minute, and Oakland controlled the game for a bit.

Halftime came and went, and in the 53rd minute, Oakland forward Nebosja Popovic took a shot from 20 yards out and put it in clean. He flew like an airplane toward the cheering stands (the Golden Grizzlies had traveled well).

It happened fast, but wasn't so simple. Austin Ricci's name might not have been in anyone's head after that play. It should have been, according to Popovic. Ricci basically set a pick.

"I turned, but he created the space," Popovic said. "To me, that's just like an assist."

Their synergy is important, a true win-win. "The more assists I can get him, the more assists he can get me, the better we'll be up top," Popovic said. "I think every game is getting better and better."

In the first half, Ricci was playing forward of Popovic, both being defended man-to-man.

"They're going to be a handful for a lot of teams," Oakland head coach Eric Pogue said. "It's a credit to them."

Oakland had switched Popovic and Ricci's roles at halftime. On the play, Nash got a good touch on the pass and made a move inside.

"Ricci made a nice run near post, which really opened the space on the back post, froze the goalkeeper," Pogue said. "Nash did a nice job with his left foot, just burying it."

Oakland plays at Valparaiso at 8 p.m. ET on Saturday, Oct. 1.

Read more at www.oaklandpostonline.com.

First and second at women's golf tourney

Gaudio's team finishes second, Kylee Sullivan first, at Golden Grizzlies Invite

AuJenee Hirsch
Intern Reporter

Oakland women's golf (638, +62) finished runner-up to Cleveland State University (637, +61) by one point at the Golden Grizzlies Invitational which ran from Sept. 26-27 at the Katke-Cousins Golf Course.

Even though the team finished in second place, sophomore Kylee Sullivan won her first individual tournament title, finishing with three birdies and a personal record low of 153 (+9) points.

"It's a lot to take in. I don't really think it's quite sunk in yet," Sullivan said. "I'm beyond happy and I'm proud of my team for the way we played this weekend. I can't wait for the rest of the season."

Sullivan has been playing golf for 12 years and has had her ups and downs, but believes that staying mentally tough has helped her focus on golf.

"I haven't been put in a position to win for a little while now, so from [the last tournament] it was just trying to stay in the moment and stay with every shot."

Oakland finished the first round in first place with a score of 315.

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THE SPORTING BLITZ

VOLLEYBALL (10-6, 2-0)

W 3-2 at Cleveland State

Oakland won 25-23, then dropped off the map with a 25-15 second-set loss before climbing back to a 22-25 loss and finally finishing the Vikings off with wins at 25-18 and 15-9.

Melissa Deatsch led with 18 kills. Sammy Condon and Darien Bandel followed with 16 (career high) and 11, respectively. Deatsch also had two service aces and led the team in digs with 17. Alli Gutschow got 14 digs and Jordan Lentz 10. Condon led in block assists with seven.

W 3-2 at Youngstown State

Condon led the team with 16 digs. Deatsch had 14 and Darien Bandel and Jessica Dood had 10. Lentz and Condon had four block assists each.

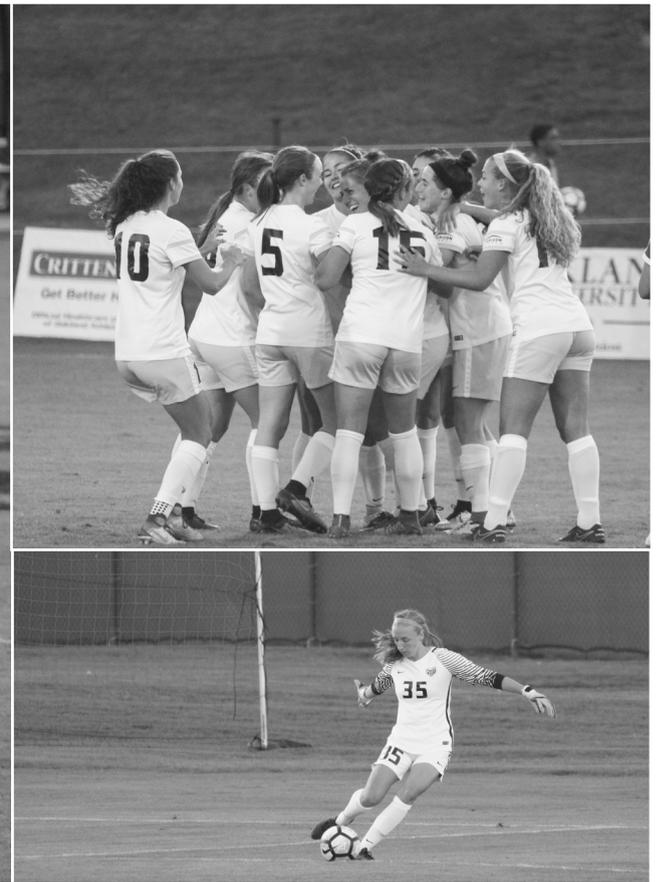
Next home game: 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, vs. UIC.

MEN'S GOLF

Oakland finished 2nd out of 17 at the Northern Kentucky University Fall Collegiate Classic.

Connor Jones led Oakland with +4 overall (T8). Jacob Johnson (+6, T12) and Marc Norton (+6, T12) were also in the top-20 overall. Chris Handy (T23) and Jake Kneen (T32) rounded out Oakland's ranks.

Oakland has two more tournaments to round out the fall season.



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LEFT Alice Palmer struck first in the eighth minute with her second goal of the season. **TOP RIGHT** The Golden Grizzlies outplayed the Vikings in every main statistical category but goals. "It's a young team, and we're learning a lot this season," head coach Mags Saurin said. **BOTTOM RIGHT** Alison Holland, Oakland's goalkeeper, made one save and allowed three goals.

Women's soccer drops close one

Sharp goals by Alice Palmer, Sydnye Gagner not enough to keep Cleveland State from victory

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After two ferocious goals by Alice Palmer and Sydnye Gagner, Oakland women's soccer (4-6-1, 1-1-0) lost a close homecoming match 3-2 to Cleveland State on Saturday night, Sept. 24.

The Vikings attacked early. Toni Dickson got off a shot in the sixth minute, but Oakland's goalkeeper Alison Holland made the save.

Oakland struck first in the eighth minute. The Golden Grizzlies took a pending attack back a bit and then made a quick advance.

Palmer shot it from 16 yards out and nailed it, her second goal of the season. Lauren Bos got the assist.

"I took a touch past the defense," Palmer said. "Nice to get an early goal in for a change."

She almost got another one on target in the 15th minute. Oakland defender Sierra Grodsinsky put a free kick to her

right side, and a subsequent pass went uptown, meeting Palmer, who almost got a good touch in prime position.

Cleveland got back in the 26th minute when the Vikings' Bianca Sarti put up a corner kick. Oakland's Holland got a hand on it and punched it out of the scrum 10 yards, but Sarti shot it right back in from 15 yards out. It was her first goal of the season. 1-1.

Oakland countered in the 39th minute. The Golden Grizzlies' Cecilie Dokka made a perfect cross from the right corner to Gagner, who put it in first touch from four yards out.

Gagner raised a fist and bowed her head. No big deal.

"I screwed up on the first couple [of chances], but I had to make myself up," Gagner said. "Redeemed myself."

Palmer and Dokka got the assist for Gagner's seventh goal of the season. 2-1 Oakland.

After the half, Cleveland evened the board in the 54th minute in a manner

similar to the Vikings' earlier goal. A corner by Kaila Sargema was initially cleared by Oakland, but the ball somehow found its way back into the mix. Sargema, after catching Holland a bit front right of the goal, scored from four yards out on an assist from Dani Sowinski, her fourth goal of the season. 2-2.

The game went into overtime. Oakland's Taylor Thalheimer got a shot off in the 92nd minute, but Cleveland's goalkeeper, Jamie Daniels, saved it.

Finally, in 93rd minute, Cleveland's Ashley Thiss scored her first goal of the season on a 17-yard lob that went right through Holland in the upper net.

"Not tight enough out on the wing, off of the throw-in," Oakland head coach Mags Saurin said. "And then just a really sloppy shot that we let in."

It was the golden goal. 3-2 Cleveland in the end.

"I think we're doing pretty well," Holland said. "We just need to clean up some stupid goals and keep moving forward."

For the Golden Grizzlies, Aly Rawson, Thalheimer, Palmer, Gagner and Ali Amante each got a shot on goal.

Oakland also got called for four offsides, all in the first half, a byproduct

of its aggressive attack.

"I think there was a bit of panic involved tonight," Palmer said. "But at times when we did get it out and find a midfielder or we found a forward, I think it went really well."

Saurin is looking at it positively.

"We dominated possession, we dominated creating chances, shots, shots on goal," she said. "Should have really put this away, I feel, in the 90 minutes, rather than going into overtime."

Oakland put up 18 shots to Cleveland's nine and five shots on goal to Cleveland's four.

"We're going to have to say yeah, we were the better team, but we didn't win," Saurin said. "It's a young team, and we're learning a lot this season. It's not like we're playing bad soccer. We're playing some really incredible soccer. It's that composure and clinical finishing that we need in the final third."

The opportunities were there.

"Just couldn't finish on some of them, myself included," Gagner said. "We're going to make up for that on Wednesday."

The Golden Grizzlies play at Northern Kentucky at 7:30 p.m. ET on Wednesday, Sept. 28. You can watch on ESPN3.

Men's soccer scores homecoming win

Oakland scores in first half, holds ground for remainder

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And so there was revenge on the Golden Grizzlies' field. Oakland men's soccer scored a 1-0 win against the University of Dayton in front of the homecoming crowd on Saturday, Sept. 24.

The Flyers knocked Oakland out of the first round of the NCAA tournament last year on penalty kicks.

This year, Chase Jabbori scored the sole goal in the 21st minute. Defender Wilfred Williams made a cross from the deep left side. It climbed over Jabbori's head and found its way to Alex Serwatka. After a quick visit with Serwatka, Jabbori put it in. Serwatka and Williams both got the assist.

Oakland head coach Eric Pogue had alluded to Williams' latent offensive abilities earlier in September. They became evident with that cross.

"The coaches are always encouraging me to get up the field," Williams said. "I had my opportunity to take a player on one v. one and whip a ball in."

"I was just thinking just be at the back post," Serwatka said. "Maybe there'll be a flick-on, maybe there'll be a rebound. Lucky enough it came right to me, and I just put it on target. Chase was there at the right time."

"It was a great cross, but it was a little over," Jabbori said. "So I just tucked into the middle of the six and Alex hit a shot on goal. I kind of just got in the way, deflected it, and it went in."

An acceptable result.

"Great feeling," Serwatka said. "Better feeling that we beat Dayton."

Zach Walker manned the net the whole game, making one save and producing his first career shutout.



Jabbori had both of Oakland's shots on goal. Williams, Serwatka, Alec Greene and AJ Shaw each made an attempt to put up a shot.

Dayton's Rok Taneski had the only shot on goal for the Flyers.

Serwatka and Travis Harrington of Oakland were given yellow cards.

Dayton played one player short from the 69th minute-on after Michael Frasca was dealt a red card.

With 10 men, the Flyers were more easily handled, but up until that point, they had controlled the ball quite a bit in the second half.

"We were going to give them a bit of possession as long as their possession wasn't amounting to shots on goal," Pogue said.

The Flyers play spread-out, Pogue said, so you best not defend aggressively, or they'll slide right through and make their

way on.

"We just wanted to keep them in front of us," he said. "If they were going to serve balls, we got some pretty big boys there in the back that can get it, pick up second balls and then catch them on the counter."

"We were unlucky not to get a couple more chances. Even though we might not have had as much possession, I think we had by far the better of the opportunities."

A keystone of the defensive efforts was midfielder Dean Akeel.

"He really just sits in front of that back line and screens balls into the other guy, picks up second balls, and really just gets the attack started for us, with some good distribution," Pogue said.

But it hasn't always been like this, nor has Akeel always gotten this much playing time. But



he has grown into the role.

"We're having a hard time taking him off the field right now," Pogue said.

The Golden Grizzlies get a full week off before going to Indiana to play Valparaiso at 8 p.m. ET on Saturday, Oct. 1.

"The whole league is tough," Pogue said. "There are no easy games in the Horizon League."

TOP Redshirt senior midfielder Alex Serwatka recorded an assist in the first half of the game.

BOTTOM Chase Jabbori celebrates with Alex Serwatka after scoring the sole goal of the men's soccer homecoming game.

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Club football takes down No. 2 MSU

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TOP: Oakland University President George Hynd joins in on the coin toss decision before the beginning of the game.

BOTTOM: Simon Gappe (8) catches a pass mid-air during the homecoming game this past Saturday against MSU.

Oakland University Football Club (3-0) beat Michigan State Club Football 35-0 in the homecoming game on Saturday, Sept. 24.

The Golden Grizzlies had something to prove against the Spartans since they lost against them last year. According to the National Club Football Association (NCFA), MSU was ranked No. 2 in the country in the coaches poll before week one, while Oakland was ranked No. 5.

"I think we changed that today," Oakland head coach Tom Menas said. "This being homecoming, it was important, and for these kids that work so hard, I couldn't be prouder of them."

The highlight of the game was Oakland's strong defense that kept MSU from scoring.

"I think our defense played exceptionally," Menas said. "I think we made a statement for the whole country that we had the number-one defense in the country [last year], and I think we're probably better than we were last year, which makes for excitement."

Oakland's victory was not only due to their defense, but also the team's strong offensive line that protected sophomore quarterback Nathan Emery.

"I can't do anything without the line. So when they're on, I'm on," Emery said. "Some routes were open and I was able to connect with some wide receivers."

Emery just barely scored a touchdown at the end of the second quarter when an MSU player tackled him near the end zone. Emery managed to get the ball over the line at the last second.

"I was just trying to get to that goal line," Emery said. "It felt great to stretch in there and make the play."

In addition to Emery, sophomore Raymond Artist managed to get some points on the board for Oakland.

"When I scored I was kind of shocked, but then again, my team was counting on me, so I had to do what I had to do," Artist said.

Despite the strong defense and offense that Oakland displayed, there were still a few challenges the Golden Grizzlies needed to overcome. In the second quarter, Menas tried to make space for his punter, who was injured.

"What we were trying to do is back the ball up a little bit so [the punter] could try to edge it in the corner, so it will give us a little more room to make a punt," Menas said. "Unfortunately, we [were] about a yard away from making that perfect, but in hindsight I felt comfortable knowing our defense would stop [MSU] even if we [got] in a low field position."

The football team may be strong, but according to Menas, there are still a few things that need work.

"There's always room for improvement," he said. "This is our third game, and we're now 3-0, and I think that the longer we play together, like any team, the cohesiveness will come. I think every week, everyday at practice, we're getting closer to that."

Oakland's next game is at 4 p.m. at home against Pittsburgh on Saturday, Oct. 1 at Auburn Hills Civic Center Park.