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News for Oakland University colleagues

Celebrate diversity at Cultural Awareness Week

For an abbreviated round-the-world trip, the OU community is invited to Oakland Center for Cultural Awareness Week. The week offers the chance to explore various cultures and their language, history, politics, art and lifestyles. This year's theme, Cultural Diversity: Making the Puzzle Complete, focuses on looking at how diverse cultures and ethnicities contribute to world culture and impact societal structures.

NEW CENTER FOR AMERICAN ENGLISH

The Linguistics Department, CAS, will dedicate The Center for American English on November 1, noon-1 p.m., in the Fireside Lounge. The center will provide programs in English as a second language for the university and Oakland County communities. For information, call 2175.

All events are in Oakland Center unless noted otherwise.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

- Diversity Day Cultural Awareness Week Kickoff, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Gold Rooms. Taste the riches brought to us from other cultures as students share their heritage through food, music, and traditional dress.
- Center Stage in Pioneer Court features Middle Eastern cuisine.



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

- Stranger in Paradise, panel discussion, noon-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge. Listen as international students, faculty, and staff share their stories of experiences in the United States.
- Center Stage features Indian cuisine.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- A History of the World, Part IV, lecture and discussion, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Room.
- Sounds of Germany, musical entertainment, noon-1 p.m. Pioneer Court
- Center Stage features Eastern European cuisine.

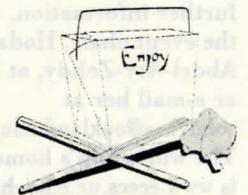
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- Harmonies from the East, noon-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge. Enjoy a moment of relaxation as you watch the smooth motions of Tai Chi performed in harmony with the soothing sounds of the Japanese Koto.



- Center Stage Features Chinese and Japanese cuisine.
- Nurturing the Mind and Spirit, an evening of multicultural storytelling, 5:30-7 p.m., Educational Resources Lab, 216 O'Dowd Hall.

Bring your favorite youngsters to an evening of stories from around the world. Spirited storytellers will share tales brought to life by puppets.



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- Images Beyond America, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Gold Rooms B & C. Exhibits include framed artwork, sculptures, native clothing, and other treasures from around the world.
- Get Outta Here! noon-1 p.m. Fireside Lounge. Learn more about traveling and studying abroad.
- Center Stage features Mediterranean cuisine.
- International Night, 6-9 p.m., Pioneer Room, Recreation Center. Fee: \$5. Help us celebrate our international students at Oakland University! Enjoy international cuisine and entertainment.



Systems workshop

Oakland's School of Engineering and Computer Science will host a workshop, Collaborative Technologies for Creative Integrated Systems, November 10-11, at Meadow Brook Hall. Workshop participants will discuss their research issues and the future of collaborative technologies to facilitate solutions in the design and implementation of integrated electronic systems. The workshop will include presentations from academic, government and industry experts on topics such as electronically-aided collaboration tools, cross-domain integrated technology development, virtual system integration test beds and simulation-based distributed decision making. Workshop registration, including meals, is \$200 by November 1; \$250 thereafter. For further information, contact the event chair, Hoda S. Abdel-Aty-Zohdy, at 2243 or e-mail her at zohdyhsa@oakland.edu. The workshop's home page is www.ececs.uc.edu/~hcarter.

Collaboration on display

Showcases offer voice for departments

Two empty display cases, an ideal location and a creative idea are all it took to create a new venue for OU's academic departments to educate the Oakland community about important issues.

Women in Science is the debut exhibit in the Education Resource Laboratory (ERL) display cases near 216 O'Dowd Hall. The display, by the School of Nursing, the School of Education and Human Services and the ERL, features classic nursing novels and texts, two Florence Nightingale dolls, and posters featuring women in

science, which were donated by Dyanne Tracy, associate professor, Curriculum, Instruction and Leadership, SEHS.

"The display is a showcase of not only things but diverse organizations," says Patricia Ketcham, nursing laboratory manager. "Our goal is to create collaboration between departments to present a topic such as Women in Science to share with the university."

It all started when ERL Coordinator Adelaide Phelps ran into Ketcham, who was curious about the plans for the two empty display cases. Within a day, Ketcham set up one of the showcases. She combined

her ideas with the artistic design of Nursing Administrator Joann Burrington.

"Exhibits can portray all the diversity the university has to offer," Burrington says.

Interested departments and student organizations can arrange to use the display case by signing up on the calendar in the ERL at 216 O'Dowd. Contact Phelps at 4877 for further information.

Each display will be on exhibit for a maximum of two months.

Men's soccer team ranked 21st in nation

OU's men's soccer team on October 5 was ranked 21st in the nation according to the NCSAA/adidas Men's NCAA Division I National Ranking Poll. Oakland was also ranked second in the Great Lakes Region behind Indiana University. It was OU's first ranking

in the top 25 at its new Division I level and the highest regional ranking this year.



Don't be fluish: Get a shot

Graham Health Center invites OU faculty, staff, students and other affiliates to brace themselves for the coming flu season at its immunization clinic October through December. Joanne Talarek, nurse practitioner and GHC coordinator, says everyone should get a flu vaccination. The vaccine

changes depending on the most common strains of the year, she says. Recipients must not be allergic to eggs. GHC will offer \$8 influenza shots for the OU community Tuesdays through December 7, and Fridays, November 5 and November 19, 12-3 p.m., in the main hall of Oakland Center. Hepatitis B vaccinations, which Talarek also recommends for everyone, will also be available on the same dates for \$37.

Hepatitis B spreads through exposure to body fluids, is very hardy and communicable, Talarek says. The lifetime vaccination is administered in three visits; the first will be given during the clinic dates. Appointments must be made for the other two. If the clinic dates are inconvenient, vaccinations are also available by appointment at Graham Health Center, extension 2341.

Submit your AACM proposals

Proposals for African-American Celebration Month activities are due November 5. Activities should relate to the theme, Celebrating the African Influence in the Americas. The maximum amount of funding per program is \$300. Submit proposals to Karen Lloyd, 144 Oakland Center. Lloyd's extension is 3352.