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## Founders' Day celebrates faculty, new lab

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On Founders' Day 2003 the university will honor select faculty for their outstanding achievements in teaching, scholarship and service at the eighth annual Faculty Recognition Luncheon April 17 at 11:30 a.m. in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms. This event is by invitation only.

Twenty faculty members will be recognized as well as this year's Distinguished Professor of Chemistry Paul Tombouliau. Four Teaching Excellence Award recipients also will be announced.

"This year we again honor faculty members from across the disciplines, who through their personal attention and time spent teaching and mentoring students and through their scholarly inquiry, research and service to their community are propelling Oakland University forward as a distinctive academic institution," said Virinder Moudgil, interim vice president for Academic Affairs and provost.

Dedication of the Crittenton Hospital Medical Center Multimedia Laboratory in the School of Nursing will follow the luncheon at 2:30 p.m. in 219 O'Dowd Hall.

"The dedication celebrates a significant gift on behalf of Crittenton Hospital Medical Center that will bring unparalleled opportunities for nursing students to apply knowledge and skills in a true-to-life clinical setting," said Interim Dean of the School of Nursing Katherine Vincent. "The highly interactive multimedia lab – and the cutting-edge learning tools it provides – will allow nursing students to hone and perfect nursing skills through a myriad of hands-on learning opportunities."

Founders' Day is an opportunity to reflect with pride on Oakland's rich history, which began with the generosity of university benefactors Alfred and Matilda Dodge Wilson.

"It is a time of looking forward to a new era of academic excellence and societal impact as Oakland continues to achieve even greater distinction as a university community," said OU President Gary Russi.

### SUMMARY

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