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Alumni Association membership open to all

Community members who'd like to take advantage of the benefits and privileges afforded Oakland University graduates now have an option.

The Friends of Oakland University Alumni Association recently was established for those individuals who have not graduated from OU but wish to be affiliated with the university.

"People want to have a connection to Oakland University through the Alumni Association. It's a nice partnering with people in the community who want to take advantage of what OU offers," said Gail Meyers, OUAA membership coordinator. "The biggest advantage for Friends of the OUAA members is having the ability to connect with the university, use our facilities and be involved in OU's programs.

"And the membership fees go right into OUAA programs, so they also contribute to OU by joining."

Individuals may join Friends of the OUAA by paying \$50 for a one-year membership or \$90 for a two-year membership.

Membership benefits include:

- Borrowing privileges at Kresge Library
- Access to membership at OU's Recreation Center
- A 20-percent discount on Golden Grizzlies basketball season tickets and individual game tickets
- A 10-percent discount on selected items from the OU Bookstore in the Oakland Center
- Discounts at Meadow Brook Theatre and Meadow Brook Hall
- Personalized financial services at the OU Branch of the MSU Federal Credit Union
- Opportunities for service and leadership
- Invitations to special Alumni Association events

Friends of the OUAA also are eligible for discounts on other goods and services, including:

- Discounts on frames (with purchase of prescription lenses) and on non-prescription sunglasses from D.O.C. Optics Corporation
- Discounts on nationwide moving and storage from Allied Van Lines
- Up to 10-percent savings on car rentals from Hertz
- Discounts on published rack rates at participating Choice Hotels International, including Comfort Inn, Quality, Sleep Inn, Clarion, Econo Lodge, Rodeway Inn and MainStay Suites.

To become a Friends of the OUAA member or to receive an informational brochure, contact **Gail Meyers** at (248) 370-2158.

For more information on the OUAA, visit the **Alumni** Web Site or call (248) 370-2158 or toll free at (877) 445-ALUM (2586).

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