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Students rally to defend a friend, and professor, Kevin

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The Oakland Post

Presidential search bills pass Senate

By HEIDI HEDQUIST Staff Writer

Several local state representatives don't want to close presidential searches at state universities, and said they plan on voting against the legislation when it comes before

Michigan Senate Bills 211 and 212, which proposed closing university president mittee, to decide when they searches until a few finalists are chosen, passed t the state Senate last week. The bills now go to the state House of Representatives.

R-Rochester Hills, said that he opposes all legislation to make government information closed to the public.

"An open government is the cornerstone of democracy," said Kaza. "I will vote 'no' on the bills when they come before the House. There is too much secrecy in the government."

The bills have been referred to a House committee and Representative Jessie Dalman-R, Holland, Chair of the Higher Education comwill be brought before the House

Senate Bill 211 will exempt university presidential searches from the Open Representative Greg Kaza, Meetings Act. When three finalist candidates are chosen, the boards will not be able to

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Low number predicted for congress elections

Congress elections continue today until 6 p.m.

By ASHLEY ROWELL Staff Writer

Another low voter turnout is expected when the votes are counted after the second round of the1995-96 OU Student Congress elections. Voting continues today from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in

Slightly more than 400 students had voted as of

by OU students.

was reached by counting year's total of 664. the unused ballots. That figure was then subtracted from 600, the number Winter, current congress had printed up.

The vote count is

5 p.m. Tuesday in the sec- already past 235, the ond election, resulting in record low in 1993. With another low turnout for a strong showing today, the final vote count could The number of voters match or exceed last

Elections were scheduled for March 27-29, but there was a mix-up of of ballots that Melissa names on the ballot discovered Monday, forcing administrative assistant, the OUSC elections committee to invalidate the

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Kristi Kay, a junior communications major from Walled Lake, fills out her ballot yesterday. Student Congress **Elections** were extended through today.

Post Photo/ Robert Carr

Liaison search halted, four candidates remain







Collingwood Junior Auburn Hills



Connie Jaracz Junior Posen, MI

By JILL ROBINSON Assistant News Editor

"Concern" by the OU Trustees has delayed the nomination of the two student liaisons to the Board for two more months.

"It's going to be at least 60 days before a decision is made," said Interim President Gary Russi.

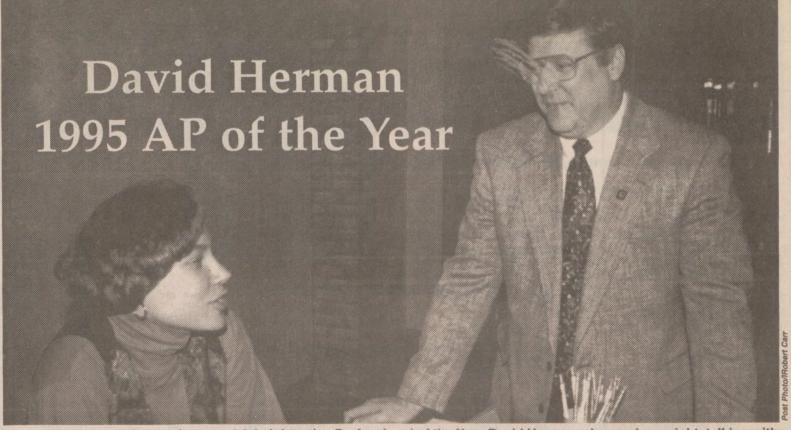
The liaison search is down to four candidates: Garrick Landsburg, senior in systems engineering, Margo Kendzier, junior elementary education major, Patricia Collingwoodm, senior majoring in philosophy and sociology, and Connie Jaracz, junior political science

Originally, the board designated Russi to make the final selection. Russi was about to narrow the pool to two finalists on Friday. However, in a meeting that day, board chairman David Fischer told Russi that the board wanted to review the candidates first.

"They wanted to take a closer look at the candidates because they are very excited about the prospect of having students on the board."

Fischer said the trustees are not ready to select a student at this point. "We definitely need

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Dean of Students and recently-named Administrative Professional of the Year David Herman, shown above right, talking with a student this week at an Oakland Center election table. He will be honored next month in the OC.

His office door reads Dean of Students, but Best Friend may be more appropriate

"I think he absolutely

Oakland's biggest

cheerleader."

deserved the award, he is

STAYING LOYAL

-- Maura Selahowski

Director, CIPO

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By SUE KING

A number of years ago while on summer vacation with his family in the Canadian wilderness David Herman saved his

Herman's brother-in-law cut his hand with an ax while chop-

ping wood and since they were hours from the nearest town, Herman and his wife stitched it up, saved his hand and life.

Herman has exhibited that same concern for Oakland and its students during his 23year career and recently was Administrative Professional of the Year. The AP recognition

committee picked Herman after nominations were turned over from the AP selection committee. Herman was nominated for this prestigious award by Maura Selahowski, Director of Campus Information and Program Services.

"I think he absolutely deserved the award, he is Oakland's biggest cheerleader." said Selahowski. "He really does believe in Oakland, and is always willing to take on something new to

Herman met the committee's qualifications which included: extraordinary effort and support of the institutional mission, spirit of cooperation, and community and university service.

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Bills

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make any final appointment on a president until 30 days after the public has been notified who the candidates are.

Senate Bill 212 will exempt search records from the Freedom of Information Act. Records related to the presidential search process will be kept secret from the public--this would include travel expenses, phone bills and other materials.

Bill 211 passed 28-9. Bill 212 passed 26-11. Senator David Honigman-R, West Bloomfield, was excused from voting due to

Senator Gary Peters, D-Pontiac, felt that many public officials are afraid of making important decisions in front of the public.

"We are sliding down a slippery slope with these bills. What else are we going to try to close to the public?" Peters believes that decisions which affect the public should be made in a public forum.

"The argument that an open search process will scare off good candidates is a false one. I have yet to be shown a case where public input has hurt the decision making process," said Peters.

Representative Penny Crissman, R-Rochester, said that she would also oppose the bills. "I believe searches should be open," said Crissman. "There are certain areas that do need to be protected, such as litigation, but all hiring should be done in the open."

Todd Cook, a 1992 graduate and political science major, was the sole student representative on the search committee for former President Sandra Packard. He says that at the time they were under orders not to say anything, he now feels that the searches should be held pub-

"These are public officials making public decisions. If you are a public official you have to be ready for public scrutiny," said Cook, Cook also agrees with Peters that good candidates will not be intimidated by open meetings.

"The argument is that you won't get good candidates if open. That's garbage," said Cook.

OU's student congress has also come forward to speak out against the new bills. In a resolution they expressed that they feel there has been a public outcry to open meetings with no success and that the students' right to know has been violated.

Setting it Straight

In the March 29 edition of the Post, the article entitled 62-credit rule for OU passes Senate with debate should have identified David Downing as the Acting Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences.

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The elections committee attempted to start new elections last Wednesday, but the validations committee decided to wait.

As of March 29, Melissa Winter was appointed acting administrative assistant in charge of elections after Steven Capps resigned the position.

There are 15 candidates on the ballot and one write-in candidate, Paul Caradonna, a junior political science major. Campaigning for the elections will end today at 6 p.m.

Congress member Kristen Zamjahn hopes that this election runs smoothly to avoid any further embarrassment. "Let's make sure this goes right the second time."

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Liaison

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more evaluation," said Fischer. Vice President for Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder said that the board members are going to talk about the liaisons at the May University Affairs meet-

Snyder said the board wanted to hear from the president on how things went. Snyder said the trustees recommended that a full report of the process and list of the candidates be forwarded to the University Affairs Committee meeting May 9 because the trustees felt that the selection of a liaison was related to board business.

"Because this type of appointment is new to the board, they wanted to be informed of both positive and negative aspects of this process," said Snyder.

Herman

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He was chosen for recognition out of nine can-

"He is a very deserving recipient, I know him professionally as well as from when I was a student." said Bridgett Payne, chair of the AP selection committee. "He has a strong commitment to the institution and its students."

She said many students are affected by his generosity. "He has compassion for the students. He has fed them and purchased glasses and things as well as finding jobs for students so they can stay in school," said Payne. Herman was also responsible for setting up the Multicultural Association for Retention and College Success Grant program, which matches high-risk students with positive role models in the university.

A ceremony in his honor will be held from 3-5 p.m., May 3 in Oakland Room. Along with the recognition Herman will receive a citation and

"I was honored, anytime you're complimented

by your peers it is an honor. It came to me as a surprise. It is a very special thing." said Herman.

The Rochester Hills resident is a graduate of The Pennsylvania State University with his masters and doctorate earned at Kent State University. He came to OU in 1985, which he described as "the perfect size, not too big but not too small."

His wife Barbara teaches at Roeper City and Country School, his daughter Christine, is a freshman at Hope College, and his son Todd, a freshman in high school.

Herman feels that even though OU is in a suburban location it also has a lot of "green space to get away and reflect."

Green space is important to Herman who likes the outdoors and enjoys fishing and camping.

"When I came to Oakland I didn't know anyone, and everyone was very friendly and made me feel welcome." said Herman. "There is a lot of diversity here, with the students and their experiences. It makes it a wonderful and practical experience being here."

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Campus News

A&S dean search to 5, interviews this weekend

By ROBERT CARR News Editor

The search for a dean for the College of Arts and Sciences has narrowed their candidate pool to five men and women.

The five are: David Downing, acting dean of OU's College of Arts and Sciences, Andrew Goudy, professor of chemistry at West Chester University, Judith Levy, professor and head of the department of chemistry at Eastern Michigan University, Elise Jorgens, associate dean and professor of English, College of Arts and Sciences at Western Michigan University, and Steven Pontius, dean and professor of geography, College of Arts and Sciences at Radford University.

Gene Wubbels of the Division of Undergraduate Education at the National Science Foundation and John Eck, associate vice president for research and graduate studies at Old Dominion University have been dropped from the list of candidates under active consideration.

Interviews of the candidates will take place at the Auburn Hills Hilton this Saturday and Sunday, according to Anthropology Professor Peter Bertocci, the A&S search committee chair.

However, he said the interviews will be closed to the public. He said open, public interviews would scare people from answering certain questions.

"We don't want the public there," said Bertocci. "People (when being interviewed) are sometimes inhibited about answering certain questions, and in a public setting it would be even worse."

> Also, a search firm met for the first time Monday with the search committees for the dean of the School of Education and Human Services and the dean of the College of Arts and

> The firm, Carrington & Carrington, Ltd. based in Chicago, was invited to join the committees after the SEHS search was halted by Interim President Gary Russi to find more

minority candidates for the final pool. "(The firm) specializes in the recruitment of African-

Downing

Crime

Watch

By Marianne Ochtinsky

The SEHS search committee had been at the end of the search process with four selected finalists when Russi halted the search.

"We thought we were finished," said committee member Robert Christina, an associate professor of education, at the SEHS search committee meeting Monday. "We were told, 'no, you're not.' I would like to get this finished."

Partner Willie E. Carrington and Nelvia M. Brady, vice president and director of higher education and non-profit for the firm, met with committee members Monday to discuss what they would do for the search.

"We will focus on diversity," said Brady in describing her firm's operating procedures. "We will go (to) much of the same places your search has gone, but we will try and get there differently."

Carrington wanted to stress that the search committee should not expect miracles from his firm. "We are not rainmakers," he said.

Brady said her firm's processes would take about four-to-six weeks.



SEARCH FIRM: Carrington & Carrington, Ltd. has been hired by the administration to find more minority candidates for the searches for dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Education and Human Services. The move was made after the SEHS search was halted to find more minority candidates for its final pool.

Mar. 26 - 9:28 p.m. The wallet of a female non-student was stolen when she left her jacket and purse for 10 minutes on the third floor of Kresge Library. When the woman returned, she discovered three library books on white power or slavery left on her study table.

Mar. 27 - 12:46 a.m. An 18year-old female residence hall student awoke in her Hamlin

Hall dorm room after a frozen orange shattered the window. The student was not injured.

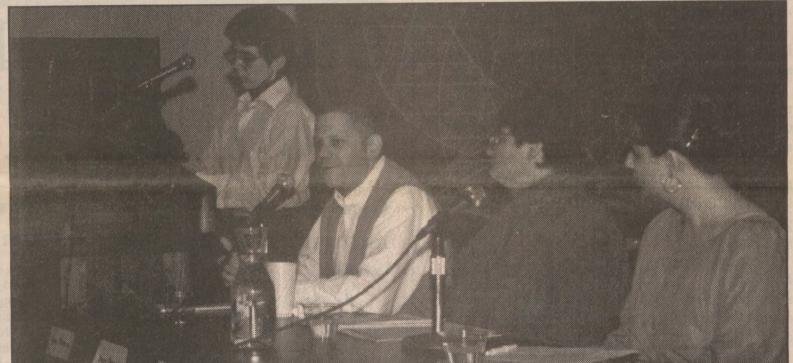
Mar. 28 - 2:02 p.m. An anonymous caller informed OU's police that a male student was concealing a .38 caliber hand gun in his room in Hill House. The man told investigating officers that he had lied to several people about owning a gun, and allowed them to search his room. No gun was found.

Mar. 28 - 6:20 p.m. Two female students reported a man exposing himself in the Northwest parking lot. The man was standing by the open door of his car with his pants down, masturbating. After noticing the women, he made eye contact with one of them and grinned at her. The two women flagged down an OU police officer and complained of the incident.

Apr. 1 - 1:13 a.m. Four students made a false 911 phone call from the Beer Lake Blue Light Phone. Two of the students went to the booth, while the other two rolled on the ground, laughing. When approached by an officer, three of the students tried to flee. They were eventually apprehended, identified, and interviewed, and are awaiting campus discipline.

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Media's role in Jenny Jones incident debated



Post Photo/lan Houston

From left, Martha Zingo, John Moshier, Shea Howell and Rayissa Slywka debate the Jenny Jones talk show controversy.

By PATTY YOUNG Staff Writer



Gibson

The majority of a panel discussing media rights and its involvement with the recent controversy surrounding Jenny Jones's talk show agreed that the show was not at fault in a local man's shooting death.

The discussion between a seven person panel was held Monday in the OC's Fireside Lounge. The controversy sparking the heated discussion began March 9 after 32-year-old Scott Amedure was allegedly shot and killed by Jonathan Schmitz, 24. Both

Amedure and Schmitz were guests on an episode of the Jenny Jones show on secret admirers.

Mediator Martha Zingo, Assistant Professor of Political Science, asked the panel and allotted each three minutes to respond to them. The questions addressed concerns on the media's coverage of the incident, focusing on the talk show angle and not the issue of violence against gays.

"I don't think the media was responsible for this, I think there was a series of events that triggered what this person did," said John Moshier, general manager of WXOU.

Shea Howell, GALA adviser echoed Moshier's response.

"The only thing the media has done is brought attention to

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Alarm system 'fair to poor' new proposal before board

By MARIANNE OCHTINSKY Staff Writer

Plans for a new \$2 million campus-wide fire detection system will go before the Board of Trustees at its 3 p.m. meeting tomorrow in the Oakland Center.

A recent evaluation rated the current Campus Fire Alarm Reporting system as fair to poor due to age. The comprehensive study tested the system for reliability, remaining energy, and code compli-

"The study was by Rolf, Jensen, and Associates," said Rick Perhai, plant engineer and energy manager. "The existing alarms are 30-35 years old, they are getting hard to maintain."

The system failed to comply with building design standards in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, which requires Services said that the role of the police is to "monithat entrances and exits of buildings be accessible to persons with disabilities.

The recommended solution is a five-year phased installation of a new CFAR system. The final estimated cost is \$1.985 million. Resolutions in the proposal claim that the total cost for the project will not exceed \$1.99 million.

"We are focusing the majority attention on the year 2000.

residence halls," said Perhai. "But this program will essentially put all main campus buildings in a stand-alone fire system linked to a central monitor station (Public Safety and Police dispatch office) by

This basically will allow all fire alarms to be remotely monitored 24 hours a day by the campus safety officers. Microprocessor-based fire alarm panels, smoke detectors, strobes, and pull stations will be installed where necessary so that all buildings will comply with ADA, National Fire Protection Agency, and Michigan Building Code

The first and second phases of the installation will involve only the Residence Halls. The last three phases will encompass the remaining 15

Chief Richard Leonard of Public Safety and tor and respond to all fire alarms through the central dispatch office." The electronic monitoring equipment includes a computer and printer standing ready at all times.

The current system will remain fully intact until completion of the five-year phase-in.

The project is expected to be completed by the

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NEW ALARMS: If the board passes the plan Thursday, OU will be installing new fire alarms in most campus buildings that will be linked with the Public Safety and Police dispatch office. The old alarms have been rated "fair to poor" in a recent study.

Money for essays offered by OUSC

By ASHLEY ROWELL Staff Writer

Students often complain about lack of scholarship dollars, yet Student Congress' offer to fund eight \$250 awards had only attracted one applicant by late Tuesday, 24 hours shy of the deadline.

So, Congress extended the deadline to 5 p.m. Monday in the hopes others will apply.

Each scholarship is open to students enrolled in at least five credit hours. Interested applicants must be in good academic and disciplinary standing according to OU guidelines to be eligible for the award.

The scholarships, to be given out on the basis of a written essay, have not been coming in as expected.

"We've extended the deadline because we've only received one essay," said Rayissa Slywka..

To apply for one of these scholarships, students must write an essay about his or her response to one of

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EDITOR'S VIEW

Legal office betrays policy of openness

If you take the controversial presidential search on face value, Oakland University's, in our view, illegal acts of secrecy and closed door policies reveals little more than a tax-supported institution of higher learning trying to lock out its consumers -- the students.

But upon closer inspection, one sees an increasingly entrenched policy of hypocrisy that permeates areas outside the board of trustees' office.

Two years ago, OU's own board of trustees passed a policy of openness that required "meeting of all university committees should be conducted as open meetings..."

The board acted under the threat of a lawsuit from The Oakland Post, a stern warning from the Oakland County Prosecutor's representative and a petition signed by more than 2,000 students, faculty and staff.

Regrettably, part of the resolution also included the language: "the Board recognizes that in certain instances an open meeting is not in the best interests of the institution, and in such circumstances no open meeting would be required."

As we expected, when the meetings involved issues of importance and significance to the University, the board instantly slammed the door

Now, the university has returned to closed door sessions and tight-lipped explanations -- a woeful violation of its own policy and state law.

What better place than a university with its tradition of academic freedom to have full, robust, open debate of a variety of topics including who should lead not only the institution itself but its schools and college.

What is the board afraid of, or have our new president, deans, lobbyist already been selected so the process needs to stay hidden?

Trustee Rex Schlaybaugh, OU's apparently de facto legal counsel, has decided that the presidential search committee is strictly advisory in nature and therefore exempt from the OMA. Sadly, his arrogance is rubbing off on the public servants who are most responsible to the community.

The fact that Robert Bunger, the university's assistant general counsel, can force a student from a closed meeting without giving a reason -- as demanded by the OMA is appalling.

At a university, the least one should expect from an administrator is an explanation.

This university's administration, with rare exception, operates like a cheating spouse. Get caught, promise to change, and when they're looking the other way, its business as usual. What kind of "family" is this?

While several former trustees have cultivated a bond with and understanding of the university --Stephan Sharf, Phyllis Googasian and James Sharp all originally appointed by James Blanchard -power wielding new trustees like Rex Schlaybaugh are here thanks to the Republican Party's policy of political paybacks. All of Engler's appointees (even Sharp's boss) have strong Republican ties and wallets which contributed to his campaigns.

The University community should remember that these people will be selecting our next leaders.

No wonder most Oakland students, faculty and staff are probably now insomniacs.

pinion



Letters to the Editor

Students rally to defend Professor Kevin Early

Graduate student praises explosive lecturer's after-hours commitment

Dear Editor,

I was saddened by the news that Dr. Kevin Early had not received his (early) tenure, and as a result may be leaving OU. I am a recent graduate of Oakland University, and have fond memories of Dr. Early both in and out of the classroom. His style of lecture is powerful and unique. Students easily interact by standing up when being called on or when sharing their opinion. He enables the class to maintain a high interest level with his explosive lectures. Dr. Early's classes were well attended and students rarely left early. As part of his course requirements, students are asked to meet with Dr. Early to get acquainted sometime during the semester. Dr. Early can often be

found grading papers in his office on Saturdays' and he keeps each student's grades in his computer

for easy access and reference. On campus Dr. Early is highly visible. He can be seen dining on campus, attending sporting events, and hosting the annual Martin Luther King banquet. Dr. Early is not your average professor. He goes above the minimum classroom requirements. He is a master communicator who thrives on education. To think that OU may lose a professor as powerful as Dr. Early not only saddens me, it forces me to question the future of education at OU.

Sincerely,

Nicole N. Didur Alumni 1994

Professor's drive, visibility, dedication inspires student

Dear Editor,

A few months ago I heard a rumor that Dr. Kevin Early may be leaving this university. I was shocked and upset at the same time. Dr. Early denied such a rumor. Several other students along with myself organized ourselves to speak at the Board of Trustees meeting to show our sincere gratitude for a faculty member who has and drive are qualities dedicated his time to this which good faculty memuniversity. At this time, I bers embody. Thank you Dr. have decided not to speak at the meeting, but will instead write a letter to express my

Dr. Early has been recog- Melissa Winter nized by students as a great Communications professor as well as a chal-

lenging one.

In addition, Dr. Early is very visible at new student orientations, various committees and at student functions. I can also attest that Dr. Early is very visible in the evenings simply talking to students -- letting them know that he truly cares about their welfare.

Dr. Early is an inspiration to students. His dedication

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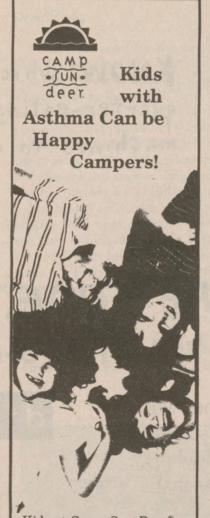
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'Features

By HEIDI HEDQUIST and SUE KING Staff Writers

The final bow will take place as Meadow Brook Theatre's 29th season comes to an end with the Broadway smash "She Loves Me" taking the stage April 20.

The season will conclude May 14 with the long running Broadway hit "She Loves Me" from the creators of "Fiddler on the Roof" as its finale. The musical comedy is based on Miklos

> Laszlo's play "Parfumarie". It is the story of two shop clerks who unknowingly corre-

"We're looking forward to the first big

musical comedy at Meadow Brook in sever-

al years," said Gregg Bloomfield, acting

managing director of the Meadow Brook

"She Loves Me" made its Broadway debut

in 1963 and was revived last year. The new

Broadway production earned nine Tony

spond as pen pals and fall in love.



award nominations. It also received a Drama Desk and an Outer Critic's Circle Post photo/ Ian Houston award for best musical revival.

WINDING DOWN: The romantic comedy is the seventh play Meadow Brook Theatre is to be performed at Meadow Brook this year. headed toward final call on "We had a very strong season this year, we another successful season. are in transition with Terry Kilbourne retiring after 24 years." said Mike Vigilant, pub-

licist/ promotions assistant for Meadow Brook Theatre. Geoffrey Sherman will be taking over the role of artistic director July 1. He will be only the third person in Meadow Brook's history to hold this

position. The box office favorites this year were "To kill a Mockingbird" and the ever popular classic " A Christmas Carol".

May 14 will be the final performance of "She Loves Me" with the curtain closing on another entertaining season.

Fight for success

OU student proves determination can lead to dream

By IAN S. HOUSTON Staff Writer

Jacqui Gruttadauria is working hard to show that kids from troubled homes have a choice.

"I didn't actually think that I was going to go to college," said Gruttadauria. Without the support of a family, college didn't seem like an option open to her after high school. She is a sophomore at OU majoring in Human Resources Development and wants to become a social worker.



MAKING WAVES IN D.C.: Jacqui Gruttadauria met with Carl Levin, right, during a trip to Washington D.C. last July, where she presented a welfare reform.

At age thirteen, Gruttadauria was being raised by a single mother who was deemed unfit by California courts due to a heroin addiction. She and her sister were then declared wards of the court and given the choice of foster homes or a group home.

"I tried foster homes, but they didn't work out for me,"

"I think

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really

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ones."

-- Jacqui

Gruttadauria

Sophomore

said Gruttadauria and so she chose to go to a group home and work towards emancipation. After six months of learning how to live on her own, Gruttadauria was declared an emancipated minor at age 15 1/2 and allowed to move into a supervised apartment.

Her sister chose to stay in foster homes. "My sister is my main motivation for going into social work," said Gruttadauria. Her sister is now 21, a single mother of three, living off welfare. "My sister is typical, thousands of kids a year end up like her or worse," added Gruttadauria.

"We both came from the

same place but ended up at different destinations," Gruttadauria adds, and that is why one of her greatest desires is to help other children from trouble homes realize that they have options too.

After a few years of being on her own after high school, Gruttadauria decided she should at least try to go to college. Having settled here in the Rochester area, OU seemed like a natural choice.

While working full time and studying for a full load of classes, Gruttadauria has also found time to become an active

See SUCCESS page 11

By ERICA BLAKE Features Editor

having played a day before in their of cutting edge video games again.

lives. They can travel into space, without hopping on the shuttle and play musical instur-

ments without actually buying one. Sure AT&T promises even more but the reality of it is, that virtual reality is here.

Although the highly sophisticated, Total Recall type technology is not available to the average person, local bars have made the beginning steps of this entry into a fantastic, dream world.

"We wanted to stay with the trends," explained co-owner of The Lodge, Greg Miller. The bar/pool hall recently installed a golf simulation machine, which allows Lodge patrons to tee up (using real balls and their own clubs) at any time during the year at any point during the day.

"We brought it in for entertainment, to give the customer something else to do while they're here," Miller explained. "The thing really works, it's helped me get my game up.'

Based on the success of "virtual golf", The Lodge has also brought in virtual reality based video games.

Although already successful, The Lodge is relatively new to the virtual moving your head, but not your body."

reality scene, unlike Industry in Pontiac, which has offered virtual reality to its guest for over a year. Currently, the Now a days people can play sports simulation machine is "on tour", howevon professional teams, without ever er Industry plans on offering the thrills

"It's definitely something different," said junior Rob Potter, an employee Industry

who has taken advantage of the club's addition. "When we first

had it, people came in requesting it specifically."

Although not as high-tech as the machines seen in the movies, Industry houses a full-fledge virtual reality game, complete with helmet and joystick. The player sits in a pod-like contraption and using the joystick is able to walk, shoot

being able to look all the way around. "It's all done with your head and eyes," Potter explained, banishing the stereotypical idea that the player actually walks, as seen in Disclosure. "You're

and even go up elevators, all the while

While virtual reality has caused quite a stir since its introduction into the market, many people choose not to rush into the 21st century too quickly.

"I have better things to do than putting a helmet on my head," explained junior Matt Maiers, who goes to Industry but has yet to hop in the pod and jump into a video game, literally. "I guess I'm not really curious enough to spend my spare time finding out (what virtual reality is all about)."

Those who have tried the games, however, find themselves starring at computer images of bad guys, and enjoying every minute of it.

"It literally looks like you're inside a video game," Potter explained. "You can turn your head all the way around

and see what's on every side." "They

(virtual reality games) brings the human, realistic element into it," junior Scott Witzke observed. "It's like you're watchin' a

The whole concept of virtual reality may sound like something right up your alley, but unless you've won the Publisher's Clearing House Sweepstakes recently, it's not likely you will be able to own your own anytime soon.

"They're outrageously expensive," said Miller, who has yet to find a financial advantage in owning the game. "It's highway robbery."

Fait



dSwolle

By MITCHELL ALLEN Staff Writer

While religion is their focus, this group opens its arms to OU and the community.

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship is an organization that provides leadership training while challenging students to follow their beliefs. "Our focus in campus is to promote the claims and life styles of Jesus Christ" said Lou Commisso, President of Chi Alpha.

Since 1989 Chi Alpha, formally known as Christians in Action, have been meeting on a regular basis to build quality relationships with each other. The group, which is not only open to Christians, but to any student, friend or faculty member of OU, brings the community togeth-

Religion, however, remains as the focus of the group who meet daily in prayer. "These sessions are open to anyone," said Commisso. "On a daily basis we have anywhere between eight and twelve people attending."

Along with many on campus activities, Chi Alpha provides a lot of off campus experiences as well. Once a semester Chi Alpha gets together to help out in the nearby communities.

In the fall of '94, the group visited a nursing home to keep the elderly company. "We played games, talked,

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of students..."

--Lou Commisso

President of

Chi Alpha

and put smiles on their faces," said Sandra Palaszewski, Prayer Committee Chair Person.

On every third Tuesday of the

month, Chi Alpha offers such events as talks, concerts dramatic performances and have even had comedians perform for the enjoyment of any one interested in attending. One week prior to these events, Chi Alpha holds "Concerts of Prayer" explained Angie Zottolo, secretary and Activities Committee chair.

"The reason for these Concerts of Prayer, are specifically for the up coming week's events," Zottolo said, explaining that the group prays that all goes well at the performance in the

"Our vision statement is to be a spirit filled group of students united together in prayer, building quality relationships and lifting up the person and claims of Jesus Christ,"

Commisso added. The members of Chi Alpha are very serious about their devotion to the

group and the beliefs behind it. "In March of '93, I accepted Jesus Christ See CHI ALPHA page 11

The brave, the bold and the stupid

This planet is loaded with stupid people. They drive, work, eat, teach and get elected. Avoiding these people is difficult to do, but not impossible.

My definition of stupid people is simple: Stupid person (Brainus Negativus) - 1), one who has no concept of reality. 2), one who defies the law that "there is no such thing as a stupid question." 3), a) people who cut you off while driving and then slow down. b) anyone driving under the speed limit in the fast lane in ideal conditions.

The old saying goes, "there's a sucker born ever minute," well in the case of stupid people we're talking nanosec-

Let's say you are at a traffic light. If the person next to you is picking their nose and signaling with their free hand that they want to get in front of

DAN **FILIPKOWSKI**



you...don't let them. Ignore them and drive fast when the light turns green. If they do get in front of you most likely they'll slow down to five under the speed limit. You'll also probably have to smell their polluting exhaust (many stupid people won't realize when their car in emitting huge illegal amounts of toxic

Sometimes people will come up to you and ask the most ignorant questions. People you don't even know. Picture yourself sitting in the library. You're quietly reading a book for a

report. For some reason this person comes up to you and starts asking questions.

"What's that?" "A book."

"Oh."

After this you may start imagining yourself grabbing them by their collar, lifting them up and shaking them vio-

Maybe stupid people should wear government issued tags that say "Stupid." This would greatly deter some problems in society, but that would never happen because it's discriminating. Well, if that be the case, why not have everyone wear a tag. We would see things like "Co-dependent," "Neurotic," "Compulsive/Obsessive" or "Republican."

Bob Harris tears into political trust

By JILL ROBINSON Assistant News Editor

"Don't believe a word I say," author Bob Harris said at the beginning of his lecture which was filled with sarcastic humor on the true state of political affairs.

The serious basis of his speech entitled, Beyond JFK: 1963-1993 Covert Operations from the '60s to the Present, included comic touches from the past that drew quite a reaction from the captivated crowd.

"Those who can't remember history are condemed to enjoy Rush Limbaugh," said

The main focus of Harris' lecture was to give a general overview of covert government operations ranging from the Truman era to President Bush and the Gulf War.

"I wanted to explain how and why the government has been blowing up people for all these years," said Harris. "They have this nasty little habit of killing people that get in their way."

During the lecture, Harris discussed the actual objectives of government actions, how the veil of secrecy perverts society, and three sections he called, 'This is your government, this is your government on drugs,' 'How to kill friends and influence people,' and 'When they find me in six pieces in ideas on government secrets

Iowa and call it a suicide.'

Throughout the afternoon, Harris dissected historic "cover-ups" such as fallacies of the Gulf War and the Iran-Contra Affair. He also noticed the irony in the fact that President Bush did not admit any involvement with the CIA until he became director



THE WORLD ACCORDING TO BOB: Lecturer/ resercher Bob Harris shared his

"That's like picking out one of you and making you the president of Exxon," said Harris to the audience.

Another major theme of the lecture was the way media presents events to fit with advertising. "It's truly all the news that fits, not all the news that's fit to print," said

Harris talked of America's involvement with Sadam Hussein and the fact that our country had armed him at one time. "We do very little investigative reporting," said Harris. "That should have been huge news, but instead we are saturated with O.J.'

Believing in the truth of his words, Harris delighted the crowd with tales of the role of the president and the true hierarchy of the government. "The National Security Council is the chief planning agency," said Harris. "Bill Clinton is home watching Arkansas lose the Final Four.

Harris considers himself an activist and researcher who loves what he is doing. "I get to say what I want to say and then I can go home," said Harris. "Besides, it doesn't involve any heavy lifting."

Harris has put his career as a stand-up comic on the back-burner in order to concentrate on writing, touring and lecturing.

CIPO This Week!

CIPO Programs will offer a variety of programs this year which we hope the OU community will find interesting and enjoyable. The Winter schedule includes:

April Blood Drive

This year's spring drive will be held today, April 5, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms. One pint of blood has the potential to help three different people. Please donate and help relieve a chronic blood shortage. Walk-ins are encouraged but those with appointments will have priority.

OU Photography Contest

The 13th annual Oakland Unversity Photograhy Contest, co-sponored with the Student Program Board was held March 27-30, 1995. This year's winners are:

Black and White Category 1st Place Ronald Gerich Ethereal Afternoon 2nd Place Drew Nagle **Puppies** Daniel Jeska Bridge

HM Jeff Carlson Waterfall Color 1st Place Drew Nagle Goose Jerome Pamiawo Welder 2nd Place 3rd Place Daniel Jeska Autumn Swan Lake HM Lynn Gamicehia

All pictures must be picked up from CIPO by Friday, April 7.

How to Budget

3rd Place

A representative from the Oakland University Credit Union will explain the correct way for a student to do a budget. Come and get your questions answered. Tuesday, April 11, 1995

noon-1pm Fireside Lounge

How to Interview

Bob Thomas, Director of Placement and Career Services, will give tips on how to conduct a successful interview. Wednesday, April 12th noon- 1pm in the Fireside Lounge

How to Write a Resume

Prasanna Datta, Assistant Director of Placement and Career Services, will give pointers on how to write an impressive

Thursday, April 13th noon-1pm in the Fireside Lounge

Summer Travel

Come and hear about cheap ways to travel this summer. Friday, April 14th noon-1pm in the Fireside Lounge

Student Org Recoginition Night

This year, Student Organization Recognition Night will be held Thursday, April 13, 1995 at 6:30 p.m. Student Organizations, their members and advisors will be honored for making 1994/95 a tremendous year. If you a member of any student organization, plan on attending this hightlight year ending event.

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Quote of the Week Nominations for quotation of the week are due into CIPO

each Friday. Quotations should be profound, about some aspect of leadership, or about a positive outlook on life. Please include the name of the person attributed to the quotation.

This week's quotation is:

"If you think education is expensive, try ignorance"

Derek Bok, 1930 President, Harvard University

Get ready for WOCOU October 5-7, 1995

By DIANA PLETZ Staff Writer For years disabled people have dealt with other's assumptions that because they are disabled

they cannot do much. Friday some of these stereotypes will be broken down.

A team of 9 wheelchair-bound 11-21 yearolds from the Sterling Heights Parks and Recreation junior team will take-on a team of local celebrities in a game of basketball.

Wheels on the court won't make a difference. It's the determination that will

The OU Physical Therapy Club, in conjunction with the Greek fraternities and sororities, hosts the event at OU's Lepley Sports Center on Friday, April 7, at 6:30 p.m..

The event serves as a fund-raiser for the Spinal Cord Society, a non-profit organization which funds research for spinal cord regeneration so that people with spinal cord

injuries may regain movement and sensation. "The event will allow people with disabilities to be recognized for their abilities," Laurie Blackwell said, a recent graduate of OU's physical therapy program and coordinator of the event.

Encouraged by attending a seminar focused on creating a community that she feels she stands for, Blackwell decided she wanted to, "create powerful people by breaking down the stereotypes that exist against people that have disabilities and create powerful people through the involvement in the project."

game idea and approached the PT Club for help.

Everything fell into place by a "fluke of nature" explained Blackwell. One PT member met a lady in a wheelchair while working at Lepley and mentioned the baskeball plans. The lady had contacts with a wheelchair baskeball team, and events preceded

Starting form the ground up, with time and money being the biggest challenge, a group of PT members networked their way through mayor Dennis Archer, the Palace of Auburn Hills, radio stations, and TV channels

They met all the goals they had established last October. The result; a zeroexpense operation, gigantic community and

Pop a wheely to shoot the two

The Parks and

local celebrity involve-

Recreation team will play celebrities, Mason and Dixon from WWWW Country (106.7); Bob Bauer, a Detroit deejay who hosts the annual Marathon for Meals each December; Ike McKinnon, the Detroit Chief of Police; and Rich Strenger, a former Detroit Lion's player.

"I figured it was a good event and I wanted to be a part of it," said Detroit Chief of Police Isaiah McKinnon.

Strenger is excited

to be collecting money, to help people walk again. "It sounds fun and is for a great cause," he said. 'It gives our young players (the Parks and Rec team) a great

opportuinty to play," Dianne Winnerstein said. She will be coaching and refereeing the game. "There is only one other wheelchair team in Michigan and

they're found in Grand Rapids," Winnerstein explained. "This is a good opporunity for the celebrities too. I'm sure none of them know what it's like to play basketball in a wheelchair."

The event will be covered by TV-2 and aired on Eli Zaret's show, Sports Zone. The coverage will provide great promotion for the wheelchair basketball sport.

"We call it "The Big Game'," Rob Aller of Channel 2 said. "It's not something that 20,000 people watch but for those people who are participating it is a 'Big Game'." It will air Sunday night at

At halftime, WWWW Country will be auctioning items including With this in mind, Blackwell formed the wheelchair basketball a T-shirt signed by Tim Allen, "Dumb and Dumber" items signed by Jeff Daniels, a signed Piston's T-shirt, William Bedford's signed tennis shoe, Bob Seager's greatest Hits CD, signed by Seager himself, and much more.

Anticipating a minimum of 200 spectators, with room for 2,000, Blackwell has already collected \$200 in donations from the Children's Sports Festival at Wayne State University, after passing out over a hundred tickets to the event. She hopes that the \$5.00 tickets that can be bought at CIPO and at the door Friday will pull in hundreds of dollars more that will be donated for spinal cord

"Everything's possible, It just takes hard work," Blackwell said.

OU EVENTS

OU's annual Greek Week is in full swing, kicking off Monday, April 3 and lasting through April 8. Still this week is skit night on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Lounge II, easter egg coloring from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Thursday in the downstairs patio, wheelchair basketball at 6:30 p.m. in Lepley Center on Friday. Also on Friday, Mock Rock is planned at 9 p.m. in the Abstention while Greek Olympics are to take place on Saturday, starting at 12 p.m. in the Abstention. For more information on events, see the windows of the Greek offices.

SPB's Visual & Performing Arts Committee presents Pulp Fiction Friday, April 7 in 201 Dodge Hall. Show starts at 7 p.m. The cost is free.

OU blood drive returns on April 5 in the O.C. Gold Rooms from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Call CIPO at 370-2020 for an appointment

Meadow Brook Estate's Spring

Spectacular is Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8 at 8 p.m. Prices are \$10 general, \$8 seniors and \$5 students. Call 370-

Show your school spirit by coming out to a baseball tailgate party by the baseball field on Sunday, April 9 at noon (game starts at 1 p.m.) when the OU Pioneers take on the SVSU Cardinals. Bring food, drinks and your OU spirit.

CONCERTS

The Palace of Auburn Hills hosts the Indigo Girls Tuesday, April 11 at 8 p.m. Tickets avail-

able at the Palace Box Office and all Ticketmasters.

ART

The Detroit Institute of Arts presents INCA, the Peruvian Ensemble including songs and traditional music performed in authentic costumes on Saturday, April 1. This free concert starts at 2 p.m. in the auditorium.

THEATRE

ues the Pulitzer Prize-winning et prices and more information.

comedy about a romance. You Can't Take It With You runs through April 29. Call (313) 577-2972 for tickets and times.

FILM

The Detroit Film Theatre at the DIA presents the romantic comedy Cafe Au Lait Friday, April 7. Call (313) 833-2323.

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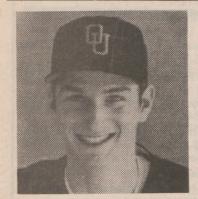
The Rainbow Connection is looking for volunteers to help with the process of granting wishes for children with chronic and life-threatening illness. Call hotline at (800) 850-6940.

The American Lung Association of Michigan is looking for volunteers to help run a camp for children with Asthma at Camp Sun Deer. Call (810) 559-5100.

Supercross comes to the Silverdome Saturday, April 8 The Hilberry Theatre at at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday April 9 Wayne State University contin- at 2 p.m. Call 456-1600 for tick-

Sports

Pioneer of the Week



Tim Hellebuyck Baseball 6-2 Junior Pitcher

Hellebuyck pitched a complete game shutout win against Hillsdale, winning 12-0 on Saturday. He allowed just three hits, walked two and struck out 13. Hillsdale's average against Hellebuyck was just .130. He is now 3-0 with a 1.95 earned run average.

Pioneer **Dirt Box**

Thurs., April 6 - Baseball vs. Michigan Christian (DH), 1 p.m.

Fri., April 7 - Men's Golf at Malone Invitational in Canton, Ohio

- Women's Golf at Findlay Invitational

Sat., April 8 - Baseball vs. Saginaw Valley State (DH),

- Men's Golf at Malone Invitational

- Women's Golf at Findlay Invitational

Sun., April 9 - Baseball vs.

Saginaw Valley State (DH),

Tues., April 11 - Baseball at Bowling Green State, 3

.. And then there were 14

By ERIC DeMINK Sports Writer

The athletic director search, which has been dragging on since late November, has finally began to make some inroads.

The list of applicants, which at one point exceeded 100 potential candidates, has been winnowed down to 14.

"We probably could have gotten that number down smaller at our last meeting (March 29)," William Macauley, political science and search committee chair, said, "but we just talked ourselves out

"Of that 14, we have seven candidates to go forward with currently, with another seven we're still considering," he said.

At its meeting on March 15, the search committee reviewed resumes and made its first cut, narrowing the number to 25. But as there was no cutoff date on the ad for the position, it had to consider an additional 17 applications. From this new batch, six were selected to push the number back

After running reference checks, the committee on March 29 was

manageable figure.

Macauley has been impressed and encouraged not only by the number of applications, but even more so by the quality of the ap-

"What is also interesting," Macauley said, "is that most of the semifinalist candidates fall into two categories. Those coming from Division II schools are more specialized, while those from Division I have a broader vision."

But while there has been a modicum of progress, frustration is still evident in Macauley's voice.

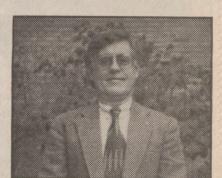
push the eventual selection date back several weeks.

"If I was ever on a committee like this again I would recommend that it be smaller because it's just too difficult to make everyone's calendars' work," he said.

The committee is next scheduled to meet on April 20, and Macauley hopes to whittle the number to between seven and nine final candidates.

Of course, the committee will then have one last hurdle to jump. That final list will have to be approved by the Office of Equal

then able to arrive at the more He admitted that each delay can Opportunity and ultimately, Paul Bissonnette, vice president of Finance and Administration.



Pioneers split weekend set with Hillsdale nine By JEFF AISTHORPE "That's the first time he's came his new position in the order.

Sports Writer

A pair of streaks ended last weekend for Oakland's baseball team as Hillsdale College terminated both a four-game win streak and 25 consecutive shutout innings by the pitching staff.

A game against Siena Heights College on Thursday was the last tune-up for Oakland prior to the onset of GLIAC play.

"Two solo home runs and a great pitching performance," Oakland coach Steve Lyon said of Thursday's 2-0 win.

The two solo shots came courtesy of senior first baseman Dan Schmitzer in the bottom of the fifth and sophomore centerfielder Jason Paul in the last half of the by Hillsdale's shortstop. eighth. Both cleared the fence in right-centerfield.

The stellar pitching performance came from freshman Matt McClellan (2-0) who gave up four hits and struck out 12 in seven innings. McClellan has yet to give up an earned run in 18 and onethird innings while whiffing 20.

In the eighth, junior lefty Scott Simmons inherited a runner at second and gave up a solid single

in this year against a lefty and given up a hit," Lyon said.

On the single, a Siena Heights runner attempted to score from second but slipped and fell rounding third and was nailed at home on a one-hop throw from Jason Paul that Lyon described as "per-

"If that guy doesn't slip and fall, they score and it's a tie game,"

The Pioneers started its GLIAC schedule by splitting a twin bill of doubleheaders, winning two Saturday and dropping two Sunday.

Derrick Ross scored the Pioneers lone run with two outs in the top of the seventh on a throwing error doubleheader and don't give up

"Derrick never stopped. It was good base running," Lyon said. Senior Jason Edwards (1-2) picked up his first win of the sea-

son in the game with a seven-

inning, six-strikeout gem. In the second game, Oakland's

offense exploded for 12 runs. "We got good production from

the top of the order," Lyon said. Junior second baseman Jeff Lindsey had five hits, three RBI's and two doubles in the two hole,

Schmitzer drove in three and junior Aaron Carpenter drove in two

"It was nice to get a three-run lead in the first," Lyon said.

Early leads have been hard to come by for the Pioneers. It has given up nearly twice as many runs (47) than it has scored (26) in the first two innings of 21 games this season.

Junior Tim Hellebuyck (3-0) pitched Oakland's third consecutive shutout with a complete game, 13-strikeout win.

'That might be the best game In Saturday's first game, junior he's thrown since he's been here,"

"Anytime you go through a any runs you're gonna win."

The tables turned on the Pioneers on Sunday as senior Jeff Plank (2-2) had a rough outing, giving up four earned runs in five innings. Plank got little help from the offense as Oakland managed only four hits as seven of its first nine batters struck out.

"We threatened a couple of times but we couldn't get a big hit," Lyon said.

In the weekend's final game, See SHUTOUT page 10

Netters beat

OU's Allessie: The epitome of team play

By CHRIS TAIT Sports Writer

Senior Ted Allessie covers all the bases for the Oakland Pioneers baseball team. He is a leader by nature.

It is Allessie's lead by example style that endears him to teammates.

Senior and co-captain Dan Schmitzer has played with Allessie all four years and said that "Teddy Ballgame" has a great attitude and never gets down on the team.

"If I was to start a team it would be with Ted. You definitely need a guy like Ted on your team," Schmitzer said.

"I recruited him," head baseball coach Steve Lyon said, "and he's proved to be everything I thought he'd be when we recruited him (in 1992)'

"Ever since Ted set foot on campus he's basically been our starting shortstop. Having the ability to step in as a freshman and play at this level and continuing to work hard and getting better every year kind of tells you something about his work ethic.'

Allessie owes all of his success to his parents, especially his father who took him to all

26 Major League Baseball stadiums when he was little. He added that his father "never pressured me. He just let me play the game for fun and that is important."

in runs batted in with 14.

Last year, Allessie was selected shortstop by position and at an end of the year banquet as one of the four captains for 1995.

From Lyon's point of view, the captaincy has not affected Allessie's play.

"He's still performing the way he's always performed," Lyon

Schmitzer agreed, "The title just doesn't mean anything because he's always been a leader no matter what he does."

"It really hasn't affected my play because I lead by example. Danny, on the other hand, is a very vocal captain," Allessie said.

Lyon described that while he was recruiting Allessie, he would watch him play point guard on his high school basketball team to see how he would react to getting bad calls from the referees.

"It kind of tells you what kind of athlete they are," Lyon said. He was impressed with Allessie and wanted him to play at OU.

While Allessie was impressing Lyon, "Lyon was impressing me," Allessie said, "by showing up to watch some of my basketball games. He is a good coach who focuses on scholastics and is just a



Photo by Bob Knoska

BIG BANG: Senior first baseman Dan Schmitzer gave starter

Matt McClellan all the support he needed in the Pioneers' 2-

0 victory over Siena Heights College on Thursday at Pioneer

Field with a solo home run. Schmitzer batted .340 in OU's

first 21 games, playing in 17 of them. He also leads the team

Photo by Ian Housto

STEADY TEDDY: Senior shortstop Ted Allessie has started the first 21 games for the Pioneers and has a .937 fielding percentage. nice person."

"He (Allessie) knows exactly what he can do, but he's very modest. He knows what it takes to win and just wants to play the game," Schmitzer said.

This year's squad has seven seniors, seven juniors and the remaining 13 positions are filled by underclassmen. With that many veterans, Allessie does not need to exercise his responsibilites as a captain.

"Most of the players have been around me and the program. They know that if they weren't doing the things that I wanted them to do they probably wouldn't still be here," Lyon said.

However, when a younger player strays from what they know are the guidelines of the team, "he's certainly not shy about letting them know when they need to straighten up," Lyon said.

But, Lyon is aware of Allessie's contribution to the team. "It's going to be very difficult

to replace all the things he does with just one player," Lyon said.

The coach could not think of any stand-out moment in Allessie's career at OU because he has made many good plays and no single one stood out.

A single moment probably did not stand out because Allessie is such a good all-around ball

player that sometimes his versatility is taken for granted.

"Winning the GLIAC tournament last year was my highlight at OU, but I hope to have a new one this year—winning the GLIAC conference," Allessie said.

He thinks that his Pioneers have a good shot at beating out the five other teams because of OU's tough pitching. But, he thinks that in order to win, the team needs to get consistent hitting.

Allessie is an elementary education major with a minor in social sciences. He chose OU over other schools that were recruiting him because of Lyon and because of the fine academics of OU.

This fall, Allessie plans to student teach and then to look for a job in his hometown of

"Fourth grade would be ideal because they're not too young and they're not at that middle school mind-set," Allessie said.

He discovered that he would like to work with children while coaching little league baseball during the summer.

"I think that he's going to do great job as a teacher and coach someday," Lyon said.

Allessie's Numbers				
	1992	1993	1994	
BA	.292	.306	.364	
Hits	26	37	55	
Runs	13	32	30	
OBP	.370	.380	.466	
Field %	942	903	902	

up on Northwood, Saginaw Valley By DIANA PLETZ

Sports Writer

The women's tennis Quadrangular Invitational bounced down to a "triangular" after one team never showed up.

Saturday, the Pioneers played Saginaw Valley State University and Northwood University, and Northwood again on Sunday, but Alma College missed out on it all.

Each netter ended up playing more than what she expected because instead of playing one game of eight sets (the usual for a Quad Tournament), each match was played with two out of three sets per person.

"Playing six regular matches is a lot for a weekend," junior Nikki

Despite the exhausting weekend, the team won all three matches. The first, 8-1 against SVSU, the

second, 6-3 against Northwood and the third, played on Sunday, 5-4 against NU. A heated match did not crop up

until senior Jennifer Graham's match against Northwood on

See TRIANGLE page 10

Bearden resigns, coaching Shutout merry-go-round continues



STEPPING DOWN: Former OU volleyball standout Tracey Bearden resigned from her post as Pioneers' head coach in mid-January.

By KEN FILLMORE Sports Editor

Tracey Bearden resigned from her position as Oakland University's volleyball coach in mid-January. She was the third such coach to leave the position in the last

Bearden gave as a reason the difficulty of balancing her job as a branch manager at the National Bank of Detroit (Goodrich branch) and the new full-time role as being both volleyball coach. If she would have accepted the position to coach, she would have also assumed the role of marketing director, who will have to produce \$25,000 in advertising revenue for

She also said that she was only given a one-year contract. Bearden felt that one year was not long enough to continue improving an already successful volleyball pro-

"How can you get anything done in a program in one year," Bearden said. "I did a nice job (last season) and they couldn't make it any longer."

But, according to Acting Athletic Director Greg Kampe, the one-year contracts and the coaches' multiple roles within the

athletic department are not something new.

'All coaches have had one-year contracts before this year. This is the first year that we have had multiple-year contracts," Kampe said. "It's nothing unusual."

"It's (the dual roles) the same thing that we all have."

Nevertheless, Bearden's resignation came as a shock to some of her players.

"I didn't expect it," junior setter Nicole Caputo said. "She had a lot of good ideas, but, the job was more than what she had anticipated."

Junior middle blocker Karen Ill does not like the coaching merrygo-round either and found this recent coaching change as a sur-

"I was shocked," Ill said. "It does not look very good for

our program."

Caputo sees the constant coaching changes to be bothersome.

'Each year, we're getting a new philosophy," she said. "If we had one coach all this time, we'd be so much better because we'd improve on that one philosophy."

In preparation for next season, Kampe said that there are 15 applicants vying for the volleyball coach/marketing director position, but he has not looked at the resumes yet.

Bearden, a Flint native who played volleyball at OU from 1985-88, led the Pioneers to an 18-12 record last season and an 11-7 mark in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, good for fifth place.

"We had a great season," she said. "I was pleased with how the season was."

As a student-athlete at Oakland. Bearden established OU career records in kills, total attacks, hitting percentage, and games played:

Former coach Bob Hurdle will serve as interim volleyball instructor until a replacement is found.

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senior Brian Downs (1-4) started and gave up four earned runs in a third of an inning.

"Back to the same old thing," Lyon said.

Hillsdale returned Oakland's romp with a 12-0 pasting of its own. The Pioneers had five hits, two by Ross in the loss.

Lyon said Oakland's 12-0 win was an "abberation" and that the other games were more indicative of his team's season thus far.

Oakland (10-11, 2-2 in GLIAC) faces perennial power Saginaw Valley State (4-0 in GLIAC) in a pair of weekend doubleheaders this Saturday and Sunday.

"This is a big weekend for us," said Lyon. They're (SVSU) off and running and tough to beat."

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Saturday at first singles position. She played three close sets, and a tie-breaker in the end.

"I'd say it was the most exciting game I've seen played this season," Bejin said.

Also on Saturday, everyone remained in the same position as the previous match against Siena Heights College the previous

But, on Sunday, some moved up a spot, like Katie Kennedy, who, getting used to her second singles position, tried her hand at first

"This was a great experience," Bejin said.

Because the team will be losing its Graham, OU's mainstay at first singles, in the fall and positions will alter, it needs different competition to see what it is up against next year.

The fall season is not too far off, now anyway. The next and final match for the spring non-conference season is April 12 at Albion

OU intramurals

Volleyball Standings Mon., March 27

Co-ed-Eastern Fully Tweeked 5-0 4 Score in 2 4-1 Team K.A. **Bohemian Thugs** Team Sasquatch Block Brigade Habibes 1-4 Goonga Road Kill Tau Beta Pi Co-ed-Western Goonga II Zippy's Asante Sana 5 & Up The Algernons Pound Cake WYSIWYG Bacchus CC Spikers **OU** Sharpshooters 2-4 Chubby Snappers 1-4 Bump & Grind 1-4 Beginners Luck 1-5 PB Play Hard Women Mary & the Mechanics 3-0 9-North Spikers J. Krew Crazier Kids

The Players

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Men Prarie Fires Grave Diggers Good Ol' Boys 1-2

12-15, 15-10 Tues., March 28 15-8, 15-12 Wed., March 29 15-6, 15-5 15-6, 15-0 Thurs., March 30 3, 3-15, 15-3

Team Sasquatch def. Block Brigade, 15-3, 15-5 4 Score in 2 def. Road Kill, 15-6, 15-6 Bacchus def. Chubby Snappers, 15-0,

Bohemian Thugs def. Tau Beta Pi, 15-Team K.A. def. Habibes, 3-15, 15-5,

Zippy's def. Pound Cake, 15-5, 12-15,

Prarie Fires def. Good Ol' Boys, 15-0,

Grave Diggers def. The Players, 15-8,

9-North Spikers def. Crazier Kids, 15-5, 15-17, 15-4 WYSIWYG def. Chubby Snappers, 8-15, 15-8, 15-6

Fully Tweeked def. Goonga La Goongala, 15-13, 15-13 Beginners Luck def. PB Play Hard, Road Kill def. Tau Beta Pi, 15-0, 15-0 Oakland Sharpshooters def. 5 & Up,

Asante Sana def. Bump & Grind, 15-12, 14-16, 15-10

Bacchus def. CC Spikers, 15-4, 15-10

Bump & Grind def. Beginners Luck, Mary & the Mechanics def. J. Krew,

Asante Sana def. Bacchus, 15-6, 15-4 Zippy's def. Chubby Snappers, 15-9,

4 Score in 2 def. Habibes, 15-3, 15-8 The Algernons def. Pound Cake, 15-5 & Up def. CC Spikers, 15-0, 15-0 Goonga la Goongala II def. Oakland

Sharpshooters, 15-2, 16-14 Block Brigade def. Team K.A., 15-0, Fully Tweeked def. Bohemian Thugs, 15-4, 15-8

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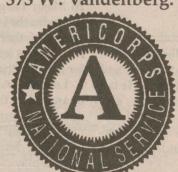
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Chi Alpha

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into my heart not only as a person, but as a personal friend," says Zottolo.

On April 4. Chi Alpha held a Talent Show in the Abstention room. Along with Chi Alpha, other organizations participated in this event. Some members of the United Students in Christ also performed in this activity. The show is not necessarily all Christian skits but, "it was a lot of fun," says Palaszewski.

Success

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lobbyist for welfare reform. In July she is planning to make an unofficial trip to Washington D.C. to discuss with her local senator and congressman the current bloc grant system of distributing welfare funds.

Her hard work and dedication have paid off. In July of 1994 she was awarded the Father Joseph Rivers Scholarship, a national scholarship given to ten students a year who don't have the benefit of family support. Selection for the award is based on academic performance, a written essay, and need. Although official notification is in two weeks, she has also been notified that she will be awarded the scholarship again in 1995.

In addition, Gruttadauria has also been awarded a local Soroptomist Scholarship and is part way through the selection process for an American Business Women's Association Scholarship.

Over spring break, Gruttadauria visited her mother for the first time in nine years.

"It was really good, she's turned her life around," Gruttadauria said, " I think we have a good relationship, much better than I ever though we'll have."

"I think I'm one of the really lucky ones," Gruttadauria said



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Money

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these two questions:

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2. As a student, what are your three major concerns involving Oakland, and how would you suggest solving them?

Criteria for the winning essays are based on grammar, content, creativity, organization, and presentation of feasible future. Applicants can choose the length of their own essay as well.

The question given last semester to applicants for the winter '95 semester scholarship was, "What should the role of OU Student Congress be at OU?"

The essays will be graded on a point system with a score of five as outstanding, and a score of one for a bad essay.

Those not eligible to apply for the scholarship are current and past congress members, current and former cabinet positions, the vice-president and president of student congress, and all former vice-presidents

ideas that congress can use to help it in the and presidents of the student congress.

Also ineligible are non-congress members on the scholarship committee, all previous winners of the scholarship, and guest

The number of scholarships doubled from last year though the amount was reduce. Last year, four students were given scholarships of \$500 dollars each.

"We thought it would give an opportunity to more students," said Congress member Janette David. This is the second year Congress has offered scholarships.

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this killing," said Howell. "In the roughly 70 other killings of this type, there has been very little media coverage. It's just now, the media has brought the cost of homophobia to our society."

Fred Gibson, attorney for Schmitz didn't respond to Howell or Moshier complaints, but rather attempted to show his displeasure at the way the media handled the incident.

been brushed away they'll of the incident move onto another story, another hot item, another hot topic, another tragedy something else to raise ratings, something else to sell newspapers," said Gibson. "It's just a story, it's just a topic and I think we forget that there are people involved, that they're really human beings with feelings and family."

Jane Briggs-Bunting, professor of journalism agreed that it was a hot story but emphasized that the media ran with the

"The Free Press, The News, and The Oakland Press, the local news around here, even the national news on the breaking day of the story are going to cover it with whatever information they can come up with," said Briggs-Bunting. "Murder doesn't happen that often in Lake Orion, Michigan but it made that story instantly a little more important in terms of the media coverage. The talk show

link made it national news." Moshier said he was con-

"When the sawdust has facts given to them at the time cerned about the public's talkshow mentality.

"I think as television viewers, as radio listeners, as newspaper and magazine readers we have to be more aware of what choices we have. We have to be aware of just what is entertaining us," Moshier said.

Other panelists included Delayne Gratopp, GALA member; Judy Weigand, Residence Hall Council president; Shea Howell, GALA adviser; and Rayissa Slywka, OU Student Congress representative.

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That O.U.S.C. allocate \$2180 for membership dues in MCC.

Summary of OUSC BILL 95-12

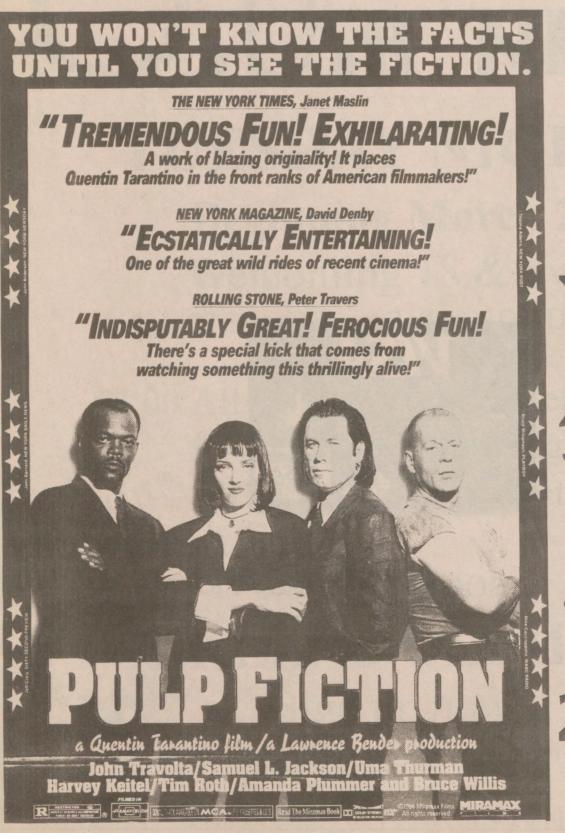
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The bill is up for a vote on Monday, April 10th at 4pm in the Oakland Room, OC.

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