

Tuesday, March 12, 2002

OU fan bus to travel to NCAA Tournament

Golden Grizzlies fans are invited to travel by bus to Nashville, Tenn., to cheer on Oakland University's **women's basketball team** during its first-ever appearance in the NCAA Tournament.

OU, the only team from Michigan in the 2002 Women's NCAA Basketball Tournament, is playing Vanderbilt Saturday, March 16, at 9:30 p.m. EST (8:30 p.m. CST) at Memorial Gymnasium, Vanderbilt's home court.

The OU fan bus will leave Oakland's campus Saturday, March 16, at 6:30 a.m. and is expected to arrive in Nashville about 10 hours later. The group will attend the OU game that evening and will stay at the **Holiday Inn** next to Vanderbilt's campus. Tickets to the game also allow OU fans to attend the 6 p.m. CST (7 p.m. EST) game at Memorial Gymnasium between Arizona State and Wisconsin.

The following morning, the bus will leave Nashville at 9 a.m. CST (10 a.m. EST), arriving back at OU's campus at about 8 p.m. Sunday, March 17.

Cost of the trip is \$120 per person for a single room (one person in room), \$65 per person for a double room (two people in room) or \$40 per person for a quad (four people in room). The cost includes round-trip transportation, hotel accommodations and game ticket.

Reservations and payment for the trip must be made by 5 p.m. Thursday, March 14, with the Alumni Relations Office in the John Dodge House or at the **Center for Student Activities Service Window** in the Oakland Center. No refunds will be given once reservations have been made.

Limited space is available, so make your reservations as soon as possible.

The fan bus departs OU's campus Saturday morning from Parking Lot 3, located in the northwest corner of campus off of West Oakland Drive between Walton Boulevard and Meadow Brook Road. Parking Lot 3 is just west of the residence hall parking lot. See the **campus map** for more information. Vehicles will be allowed to stay in Parking Lot 3 overnight.

The bus will stop briefly every four hours, with one of the stops being for lunch, during the drive to Nashville and back. No transportation or consumption of alcohol will be permitted on the bus.

The travel package is being hosted by the Center for Student Activities and Oakland University Alumni Association with support from the President's Office, Student Program Board and University Student Congress.

For more information or to make a reservation, contact Jamie Ruark in Alumni Relations at **ruark@oakland.edu** or (877) 445-ALUM, or Paul Franklin in the Center for Student Activities at (248) 370-2400 or **franklin@oakland.edu**.

If you wish to travel to the NCAA Tournament on your own, you may contact Kim Harbaugh, the OU Alumni Association's designated travel representative, at (248) 855-3600 for flight and/or hotel arrangements.

The following hotels are located near the Vanderbilt campus:

Hampton Inn & Suites at the University (615) 320-6060

Hampton Inn Nashville/Vanderbilt (615) 329-1144

Nashville Marriott at Vanderbilt (615) 321-1300

Days Inn Vanderbilt/Music Row (615) 327-0922

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