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Future of the Village - a plan of action

By Gail De George

"The Village Project will never be totally finished," says Tom Aston, coordinator of the project. Although this is true due to the ongoing revisions inherent in the Project, a strong sense of pride and accomplishment is apparent in anyone involved with it. Aston hopes to see the Village change and grow as students change; with each graduating class leaving behind a mark uniquely their own.

Plans for expansion will involve students from different organizations and backgrounds in addition to the Student Enterprise Theater which already produces plays in the upper level of the Barn.

Some of those plans in-

clude the building of a geodesic dome, a freestanding structure originally designed by R. Buckminster Fuller. The School of Engineering is estimating materials needed and projected costs as well as providing the blueprints, Tentative plans for a solar energy system have also been indicated, although exact details have not been worked out. Plans also include a Village mall, run by and for students, which would allow management majors a chance for practical application of skills learned. A student literary magazine, a coffeehouse or old style pub, and openair market for student art exhibits, a center for guild trades and a Village Square as a park, are also

possibilities.

"I see it as providing a place for student-run creative enterprises as well as an alternative to the educational outlets at Oakland," said Annette Platt, who has just completed an internship for student enterprises. "But we don't want to appeal

strictly to students with a liberal arts or theater type background. The Village is for everyone."

"The biggest problems," she continued, "lie in communication and publicity. Communication with the administration as to needs such as lavatory (continued on page four)





TEN YEARS OF HARD WORK by the Students for the Village have transformed a dilapidated old storage barn (top photo) into the home of the SET theatre (bottom photo).

Unresolved issues await Congressional action

The University Congress dealt with, but failed to resolve, several issues of continuing controversy at its meeting Sept. 14.

Under "Committee Reports"
Al Watson, recently elected
Concert Lecture Board
Chairperson, announced the
confirmation of a Nov. 14
lecture at OU by noted
anthropologist Margaret
Mead.

Watson proposed that he, as CLB Chairperson, be allowed to select CLB members to serve from Sept. 1977 through Sept. 1978. He criticized Congress' failure to re-elect Jim Shaffmaster to the CLB last spring after spending nearly \$500 to send him to a National Entertainment Conference in San Antonio, Texas.

Congress expressed strong opposition to the idea of giving up their powerto select CLB members but introduced no formal motion on the point.
Four of six Congress
vacancies were filled by
the selection of Marie
Brown (freshman), or exCongressman Gary Foster

(Junior), Ken Konchel (freshman) and Anet Platt (Sophomer). Congress members Maureen Flynn and Steve Quick were

ing Committee vacancies.

Ex-Congress member Lori
Philo was selected as Student Activities Board
Chairperson to replace.

elected to fill two Steer-

Torongeau, who was not at the meeting, said he will challenge the action by Congress. He claimed Congress, by removing him as SAB Chair, had disobeyed the constitutional requirement of an Ad Hoc committee hearing and a two-thirds vote of Congress in order to remove an SAB Chairperson from office.

Congress President
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Trustees discuss growth

Addresses by vice-Chairperson of the board of
Trustees David Lewis, vicePresident and Provost Fred
Oscar and University President Donald O'Dowd highlighted a special colloquium sponsored by the
Board of Trustees September 14.

The colloquium brought together members of the Board of Trustees, administrative personnel and faculty for informal as well as formal discussion of important topics in the past and the future of the University.

Trustee Lewis, in a rare appearance before a faculty

and administrative assembly, related the University's present and future challenges to his personal experience an undergraduate at Oakland over a decade ago. He sighted important, though often humorous incidents which he felt gave him a unique perspective on the University.

Provost Obear concentrated his comments on the ever increasing finacial and academic demands that are placed on the University. He also mentioned some exciting new areas being explored by the University in (continued on page two)

Feed-Back

Dear Editor:

I am appealing to the higher instincts of this newspaper to provide information to its readers that and relative.

There is an information gap about professors at this fessors so insecure that university. Picking classes is an exercise in juggling open time slots with closed classes with little regard to who's teaching what.

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Getting a good professor is a random stroke of luck.

Why hasn't the Sail started a reference file on would be timely, informative the professors and made this information available to the student body? Are the prothey couldn't handle such a review? Jim McClure

Colloquim

(continued from page one) educational tools like televised classes.

President O'Dowd delivered what amounted to a "State of the University" address. He reported that in the University's 19th academic year it was functioning with a budget of nearly \$23,000,000 and over 11,000 students. He emphasized the fact Oakland was gaining in enrollment and resources at a time when it is difficult for many universities to simply keep a constant level.

In President O'Dowd's view however, it is going to be progressively more difficult to maintain growth. He projects that in 1992 the number of students graduating from Michigan high schools will drop 30 to 35 per cent from the 1978 level.

"It's been a good summer and I think we have a good year ahead," said O'Dowd. "It is a time for optimism, but there are some clouds on the horizon."

Bomb threat at OC

A bomb threat was made last Saturday night during a WOUX disco dance held in the Crockery.

WOUX general manager Bob Sokoler said, "I was approached at the dance by a public safety officer who told me that a bomb was reported planted in the building and that everyone must be cleared out immediately."

A crowd of nearly 400 campus students stood outside in the 50 degree weather while police searched the Crockery. Police okayed the entrance back into the building after their forty-minute

Editor's Opinion

I covered a meeting of the Yet commuters provide the chairpersons of various stu- bulk of the financing. dent organizations on Satur- This is hardly an adequate day, Sept. 10. They met to representation of commuter discuss the goals, problems, interest. and purposes of their groups and of campus life in general.

The heads of Area Hall Council, Project Unity, Association of Black Students (ABS), GDI Society, and Intrepid Souls were present. Representatives from University Congress, Oakland Student Advisor Council (OSAC), and Tautological Society were also invited but did not attend.

The fact that no commuterbased organizations were present disturbed me. None of the groups that should be most involved with commuter representation saw fit to attend. As I tried to think of possible reasons for their absence, it occurred to me that commuter interest in many student organizations is far below what it should be.

Commuters outnumber residents by roughly a 4:1 ratio. By rights, commuter involvement in student organizations should correspond to that same ratio. However, the number of commuters with families, jobs or other responsibilities makes commuter involvement at a 4:1 ratio to resident students an unrealistic goal. Still, I believe that commuter involvement should still be far higher than resident involvement, and much higher than it is pre-

As a result of this lack of involvement, commuter interests are not adequately represented. For example, University Congress, as representative group for the whole student body, should primarily serve the interests of commuters. However, this is rarely the

An example of this is the athletic fee resolution which Congress unanimously passed. The fee benefits residents far more than commuters. How many commuters use the sports and recreation facilities between 10 and 11 p.m. and on Sundays?

Many commuters are very active in university life, but the percentage of the total commuter population is far too small. Resident students have achieved numerical parity in organizations from SET theater to the Sail. This is not due to any extraordinary resident participation, simply commuter inactivity.

Commuters have no one to blame but themselves for their inactivity and lack of representation. It is up to them to get involved; the opportunities are available in a seemingly endless variety of organizations.

I have heard people, both commuter and resident, complain about the lack of things to do and activities to get involved with here at

I place primary blame on the commuter poplulation. I believe if the same proportion of commuter students were involved as resident students, that this university would be a much better place to he.

Studies conducted on this campus by the Office for Institutional Research, have shown that the students who get involved in extracurricular activities are more likely to graduate and to have a favorable opinion about their education than students who simply attend classes.

And so to you uninvolved commuters, I challenge you you to get into this university, whatever your"thing" is, and to make OU a better place for yourselves and

It has been said that people "get out of things exactly what they put into them." I believe this is especially true of an education. And a college education can be so much more than books, lectures, and tests. Try it. Discover

Mark Clausen

All signed letters to the editor of appropriate content and length will be considered for publication by the Oakland Sail. However, the Sail reserves the right to deny publication of any letter submitted.

Congress continued

(continued from page one) Aaron Burnette may, if he desires, veto the Philo appointment.

The President has the constitutional right to appoint the SAB Chairperson, subject to Congressional approval. Philo was nominated by Congress without Burnette's recommendation.

An exact interpretation of Torongeau's position as "interim" SAB Chair will be needed before the question can be resolved.

The by-law placing a two hour limit on meetings was suspended and the agenda altered so the Congress a referendum last spring, negotiations have been going on between lawyers, administrators and Congress staff. Most of the changes suggested by the lawyers and administrators were changes in wording.

Substantive changes, requiring the amendment process, were suggested in the areas of Congressional accountability for Student Activity fee monies, criteria for nominations to congressional seats and the power of Congress to take notice to actions by the University.

Congress decided to allow President Burnette and



Newly elected University Congress members, (above left,) Anet Platt, (above right,) Gary Foster, (below left,) Ken Konchel and (below right,) Marie Brown.



could deal with questions about the new Congressional

Executive Assistant, Will
Biddlingmeier, said he was
planning to take the constitution to Dean of Student
Life Jack Wilson September 15
The constitution would then
be forwarded to Vice President for Student Affairs,
Ken Coffman, Board of Trustees
Secretary John DeCarlo,
University President Donald
O'Dowd and finally to the
Board of Trustees for their
approval.

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Since student approval of the proposed constitution in



to persuade the Board to approve the Constitution without changes in "substantive" issues.

The Board may approve the constitution without approving the article it doesn't like. It may also reject the entire constitution and send it back to Congress.

The Congress meeting adjourned after three and one half hours of work. Four major motions were left unattended until the next meeting.

Faces in the crowd



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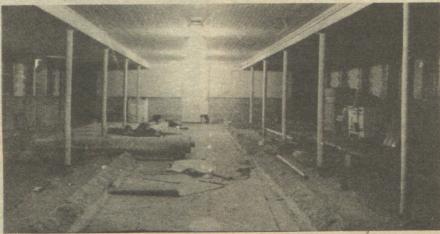
The Village - a cooperation of creative energies

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facilities in the Barn
which will hopefully be installed sometime in the
near future, and communication with the student
population as to ideas for
growth andexpansion and to
let them know the Village
is for them."

Platt sees the distribution of ballot cards at registration this summer as her greatest accomplishment. The cards provided students with a chance to donate one dollar towards funding of the project. No exact monetary figures are available yet, but rough estimates place total donations near \$2200.

The beer bash last spring was another Village activity and there are plans to hold another very soon. Because of the laws governing the sale of liquor, Village functions are allowed to serve alcohol but not sell it.

A Village Council meeting held Monday, September 12 approved the blueprints





THIRTY YEARS AGOthe lower level of the Barn Theatre housed milking cows. (top photo) Today it's meeting area is for SET. (bottom photo)

for the restrooms needed in the lower level of the Barn and it is hoped they will be installed by the time "Cabaret" opens. The remodeling of the lower level of the Barn into a multipurpose, Rathskellar-type room, is hoped to serve as an attraction for other student organizations.

Money for remodeling came from "Students for the Village" an organization designed to raise funds for the Village Project. It raised \$10,000 from 1973 to 1975 and President O'Dowd and the administration matched that figure to bring a gross of 20,000.

Ray Torongeau, president of the organization during those years says, "so many options are open to students for the expansion of the Village. It is up to students to keep those options open for the best interests of themselves and the community."

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Barn presents "Alice"

By K E Roggow

"Alice" (in wonderland) has mouths the words. As the never been so alive. Elizabeth A. Mar, as Alice, dreams her way through childhood into Looking Glass ally charged even in the Land then home again.

Although the band occasionally drowns the lyrics. Paul 'wiz' Marvin's music is happy, catchy, rock-jazz stuff, and expertly orchestrated.

As the show opens, Donald F. Annis, playing Uncle Charlie, tucks Alice into bed after a short dialogue and she drifts off on her way to meet such colorful characters as the Red Queen, the White Queen, Blue and all the other favorites.

After a rendezvous with the queens, Alice comes face to face with a very classy caterpillar. Karen Swantek shines in her role as Blue as she slinks herself and her voice around and about the stage.

Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum, played by Nancy M. Bright and Ed Boner, are mirror images of each other, complete with matching wigs.

When one talks, the other lights dim and the stage begins revolving, Dee and Dum sing "Image Clear"--emotioncomedy of the situation.

Humpty Dumpty never falls off his wall in this one. Well, at least not while he is on stage. Portrayed by Gary DeVar, Humpty, as his own best audience, cracks one eggy joke after another. Not funny, but you laugh anyway.

The split-level, theatrein-the-round is surrounded by a scrim--a thin, netlike, opaque curtain. During Alice's journey, photographs and light patterns are reflected off each side of it to both audiences. The effect produces a dream-like atmosphere and does much to heighten the mood.

The costumes are skillfully executed and are delightfully bright and colorful. "Alice" is indeed a fantasy land unfolding before your eyes.

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Kickers stomp on Olivet, 7-0, in opener

The OU soccer team kicked off its 1977 campaign by ripping Olivet, 7-0, on September 14 at OU.

Taking care of the scoring chores were senior Gary Weber and five freshmen, playing in their first collegiate game.

Forward Andy Lock of Birmingham got his collegiate career off to a wonderful start by scoring one goal and collecting four assists on OU's first five goals.

Young Tony Hermiz of Pleasant Ridge opened the scoring with a goal in the 14th minute. He added his second goal in the 34th minute when he found himself with an open net after Lock's shot caromed off Olivet's goalie's hands.

Hermiz added two assists. setting up Lock's goal before the half ended and set up Weber's goal in the 75th minute.

Freshman Stan Wandeloski of Utica netted two goals in his collegiate debut scoring one goal in each stanza.

Little "Frenchy" Hammoul of Birmingham picked up an assist on Wandeloski's second goal in the 61st minute of play.

Halfback Bondan Hrecznyj of Hamtramck scored his first goal of the year in the 49th minute to complete O''s whitewashing.

In addition to nine freshmen making their collegiate debut, coach John Motzer revealed a new goal tender.

Freshmen Gary Beck of Livonia made his appearance in goal during the 56th minute, replacing Roman Bej who started the game an and shared the shutout.

"Beck is a very versatile athlete and I think he can help us out in goal," said coach Motzer. Beck replaces Peter Dzipak in

Missing from the opening day game because of injuries were Joe Wilden and Tony Matye. The extent of the injuries is not known at this time.

Wilden and Matye are both experienced, sophomore fullbacks and were expected to help coach Motzer's crew at midfield.

However, because of the injuries and lack of experience that Olivet showed, Motzer was able to substitute freely.

The Pioneers outshot Olivet, 21- 4, and had many scoring opportunities.

"Olivet is not too much, and we have got to improve greatly if we are going to have a successful season," added Motzer.

The Pioneers will put their 1-0 record to a severe test when they



travel to Calvin on Sept. 24 for their next game,



The Olivet goalie is helpless as this shot by Tony Hermiz (stripes) is going into the net for a goal.

Lions leave OU to tackle the schedule

By Stuart Alderman

It's not the first time people have heard this, but "this could be the year of the Detroit Lions."

When the Lions moved to Pontiac in 1975, they also made a move to Oakland University, The Lions opened their training camp this year on the OU campus for rookies on July 16. Fullday practice sessions for all players began on July

The Lions were once again dorm students as they set up headquarters in Hill House. They left OU on August 26 to practice at the Silverdome, "It's good to have everything under one roof," said a Lion spokesman when asked why they were at OU,

Last season was the Lion's first losing season (6-8) since 1968. This year, the Lions face only three 1976 playoff teams -- Dallas, Baltimore, and Minnesota, They can't lose to such inferior teams as Tampa, New Orleans, Atlanta, Philadelphia, and Green Bay if they plan to be a playoff contender.

Of their 14 regular season games, only four teams finished over the .500 mark last season -- Minnesota, San Fransico, Dallas, and Baltimore.

The Lions finished 3-3 and turnovers which put

pressure on the defense.

Quarterback Greg Landry must repeat his good performance of 1976. The Lions need to reduce the number of their own Quarterback sacks (67 -most in the league last year) and have more opponent sacks.

Although the Lions did not have a sumber one draft pick this year, rookies Rick Lane, Walt Williams, Luther Blue, and Ron Crosby may make worthy contribut ions.

Their opening home game will be this Sunday against the New Orlean Saints. On October 2, the Lions host the Philadelphia Eagles. Lion tickets are on sale at the OU ticket office located in the lower level of the Oakland Center.

Sorry -- we goofed

There was a typographical error in our last issue on the Sports Page.

Instead of finishing "first" in the seven-member GLIAC, the women's tennis team finished "fifth."

Get your kicks at Football Field Day

The opportunity to show off your football skills is coming soon.

The Intramural Football Field Day activities will commence on Thursday, September 22 at 4-p.m.

Entries must be turned in by Monday, September 19, 1977 in order to participate in the punt-pass-kick competition.

Individual trophies will be awarded in men's and women's divisions.

In other IM football news the seven-man touch football captains meetings will be held on Monday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m.

or Tuesday, September 20 at 4 p.m.

There will also be a football officials meeting for those interested in officiating during the season. Meetings will be held Monday, September 19 at 7 p.m. or Tuesday, September 20 at 4:30 p.m.

Race Day for the IM twomile cross country meet is Tuesday, September 20 at 4 pom.

Golf competition swings into action on Tuesday

For further information call 377-3150.

in pre-season games and had difficulties with their kicking game. They also committed many penalities



and . 17--GDI/Intrepid Souls "ICE BREAKERS" 9 p.m. --

Sept. 16

thru 23--Registration for Continuing Education nondegree evening courses 8 a.m. -- 5 p.m. 265 South Foundation Hall 50% tuition discount available to students, staff & spouses.

Sept. 17--Spring/Summer Graduate Commencement 10:30 a.m. Baldwin Pavilion

Sept. 18--Meadow Brook Hail Tours 1 p.m. -- 5 p.m. Student Admission: \$1

Sept. 19--Pancake Breakfast--All You Can Lat--

Sept. 21--Student Organizations Day--All Day--Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

-- Evangelism Meeting 7 p.m. 442 Hamlin Hall Large Group Meeting 7:30 p.m.

-- Note Taking From Books Demonstration 8 p.m. Hamlin Lounge Hamlin Hall

Sept. 22--Abstention Jazz Concert 8 p.m. In the Abstention of Iron Kettle, Lower Level of the Oakland Center

Sept. 23--Area Hall Council Dance Party 9 p.m. Crockery

Sept. 16--OU Women's Tennis at Central Michigan

University 3 p.m.

Sept. 17--OU Women's Tennis at Lake Superior State College 1 p.m.

--OU Women's Tennis vs Hillsdale 9:30 a.m. --OU Cross Country vs Siena Heights 11 a.m.

Sept. 18--Women's Tennis at Ferris State College

Sept. 19--OU Cross Country vs University of Detroit

Sept. 20--OU Cross Country at Hope Invitational 4 p.m.

Sept. 16

thru 18--"Alice" 8:30 p.m. at the Barn Theatre Student Admission: \$2

Sept. 23

thru 25--"Alice" continues, same time



Sept. 20--Movie: "Black History -- Lost, Stolen or Strayed 9 p.m. Hamlin Lounge, Hamlin Hall

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