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Alumni Association membership open to all

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Community members who'd like to become connected to the Oakland University Alumni Association now have an option.

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

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

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

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

Friends of the OUAA membership benefits include:

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

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

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

Membership benefits are subject to change.

To become a member of the Friends of the OUAA or to receive an informational brochure, contact Meyers at (248) 370-2158 or meyers@oakland.edu. For more information on the OUAA, visit the **Alumni** Web site or call (248) 370-2158 or toll free at (877) 445-ALUM (2586).

SUMMARY

The Friends of Oakland University Alumni Association recently was established for individuals who have not graduated from OU but wish to take advantage of the privileges afforded OU graduates.

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