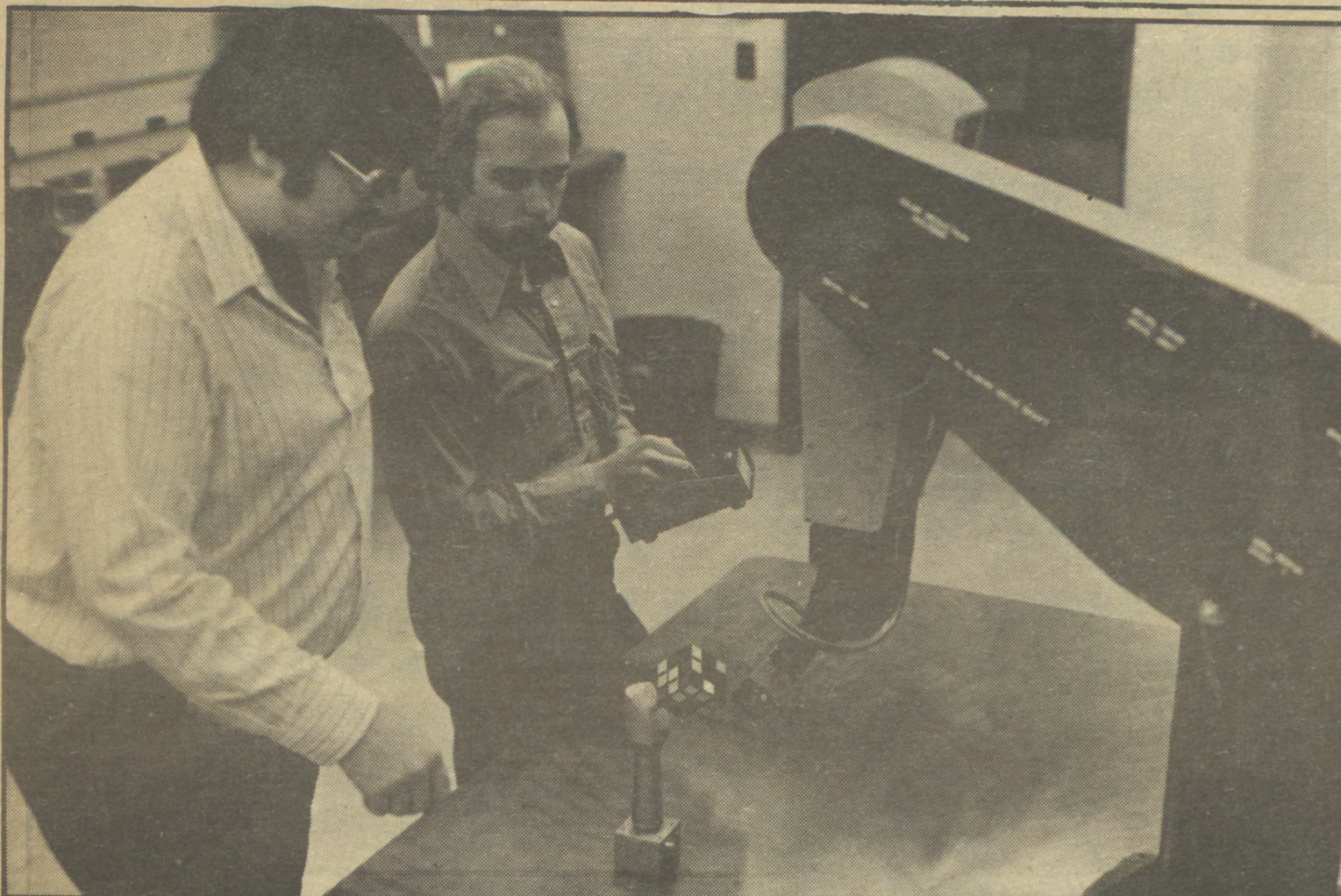


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Assistant Professor of Engineering Robert Judd watches Wayne Jones of Auburn Hills send commands to a robot control arm in the Dodge Hall robotics laboratory. The Oakland Sail/Bob Knoska

Fall tuition rates remain in limbo

By DEAN STANLEY
Staff Writer

A tuition increase for the fall semester is still undecided because of delays in the state legislature, but it is not totally out of the question.

Governor Blanchard's efforts to freeze tuition at state schools by partially withholding additional funding has not affected many state institutions or OU.

The increased appropriation to OU would total, at best, 10 percent more than last year's funding. Even with the 10 percent increase OU would have a \$2 million deficit, half of which would be offset by an extra \$1 million carried over from this past year, according to Budget Director Patrick Nicosia.

"We have not ruled out a tuition increase. If all we get (from the state) is 10 percent, there may be (an increase)," Nicosia said.

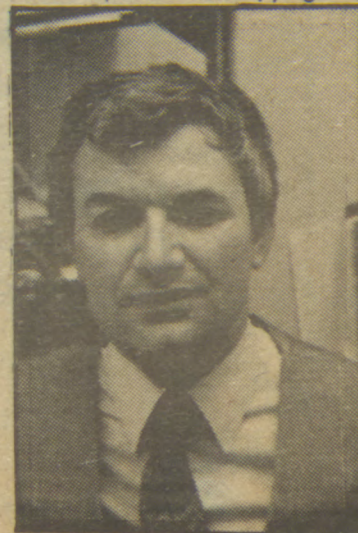
Several factors affect a possible tuition increase. The 10 percent appropriations increase is not enough to avoid a deficit at OU, and other schools are considering tuition increases in spite of the governor's attempt to freeze costs to students.

Michigan State University, the University of Michigan, Saginaw Valley State College, and Grand Valley State College are also considering increases to avoid running into the red in September.

Nicosia said that the final decision rests with the president and the Board of Trustees.

"We don't know if we'll have a tuition increase; we haven't ruled it out. (Our situation) is more complicated (than at other institutions) because we get less state appropriations per full-time student," he said.

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Budget Director
Patrick Nicosia

Robotics conference gets attention Researchers nation-wide to present ideas

By DEAN STANLEY
Staff Writer

The Center for Robotics and Advanced Automation has added extra momentum to the technological wave engulfing the university.

A conference that last year brought many industry, government, and academic researchers involved in artificial intelligence and robotics to OU, is expected to attract about 300 people this April 24 and 25.

The co-chairmen, Professors Nan K. Loh and Donald R. Falkenburg, have spent almost seven months preparing for the two-day conference, titled "Intelligent Systems and Machines."

The conference will cover practically every facet of robotics and artificial intelligence. From Robotic

Task Planning to Pattern Recognition and Simulation Tools and Applications, the program will be filled with informational sessions, each containing four to five individual reports.

The researchers come from all around the U.S. and the world, with over 100 papers to be presented at the conference. Professor Loh said it has made OU's name well known in robotics research.

This conference and last year's "really put OU's name on the map. It has improved our reputation as a research institute," said Loh.

Loh's goal for OU to "provide leadership" in the field of robotics is far from being realized just yet, but he said that "many think we are the leaders."

He believes that, with the new high-tech industrial

park and the conferences, OU could "make good use of this opportunity" and make a name for itself.

To Loh, establishing a working relationship with industry and "riding the high-tech wave" are important to the school and the nation.

"You have to be timely," he said. Being slow or behind the competition is not good, according to Loh.

He pointed out that the American auto industry slowed down for five to ten years and "the Japanese almost wiped us out."

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Senate vote reduces student representation

The University Senate passed two motions last Thursday, effectively reducing the amount of student representation on two campus committees.

Senate members voted 19-18 for a change in the make-up of voting members in the restructured Academic Policy and Planning Committee (APPC).

A second motion, calling for a change in the number of voting members on the University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction (UCUI), was overwhelmingly approved with a small amount of (student) senate members voting against the change.

Voting membership in the APPC remained the same, but the ratio of voting students to other voting members was reduced from four out of 12 to two students out of 12.

The total number of voting committee members in the UCUI, formerly a subcommittee of the APPC, dropped from seven to 10, while the number of voting student members went from four to two.

Bob McClory, University Congress President who also sits on the University Senate, said that there were three reasons given why student representation was being reduced:

- 1) To bring the APPC and UCUI in line with student representation in other campus committees.
- 2) Lack of student participation.
- 3) A desire for faculty

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Two students to receive award for race relations

Two recipients for the Sidney Fink Memorial Award were selected last week, from 12 nominees, recognizing their contributions to race relations.

The award, which will be presented to Lonnel Coats and Elliot Rosenbaum this fall, is in honor of the late Sidney Fink and his commitment to improving race relations.

Robert S. Fink, director of

the Counseling Center, is the sponsor of the award, which will be awarded each fall semester to two students

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•A year in OU sports; see pages 8 and 9.

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who have shown their own commitment to improving race relations.

Coats and Rosenbaum were selected by a committee of faculty and staff from 12 nominations from faculty, staff and students.

Coats, a sophomore and Pre-Management major, is president of the Association of Black Students and a member of University Congress. He has "consistently and willingly worked

to create direct communication lines with black and white students," according to the Office of Student Life, which administers the award.

Rosenbaum, a junior majoring in Public Administration and Political Science, has been a major planner of the "religious caravans" which brought Jewish and Christian students together at services in both a Jewish synagogue and a black Protestant church.

The awards will be presented at a ceremony in

the fall, and each consists of a certificate and a \$50 check.

This is the first year that

the award has been given but Fink has said that he would like it to

"become an institution at Oakland."

Rise in faculty salaries slowing

results from its annual study of how much college teachers make.

But faculty salaries went up 7.9 percent in 1982-83, and 9.9 percent in 1981-82.

AAUP spokeswoman Iris Molotsky attributed the slowing rate of increases to the declining amounts of money state legislatures give to colleges.

When academic funds are tight, "there's a tendency to give flat sums across the board" to faculty members, she pointed out. In practice, that would mean there's less of a salary difference between full and associate professors.

Over the last two years, however, administrators have said the major reason they had to raise tuition much faster than the inflation rate is because they must pay faculty members more.

A recent College Board study contended faculty buying power is now less than it was in 1972.

Asked to explain why student tuition is being raised in order to pay faculty

members more even as faculty salary increases slow down, Molotsky said, "I can't."

Faculty members at private colleges did slightly better than those at public campuses, the survey found.

Independent college teachers got average raises of 7.6 percent. Their colleagues on public campuses got increases averaging five percent.

In general, assistant professors got raises about one percent higher than what full professors got, and about half a percent higher than associate professors' raises.

The AAUP won't release actual average salaries until June.

Last year, it found salaries at universities averaged \$31,010, while salaries at colleges without grad schools averaged \$22,890.

The average overall salary at public colleges was \$27,860, compared to the average wage of \$28,680 at independent colleges in 1982-83.

Tuition

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Under the governor's plan, any tuition rate increase will cut "bonus" funds to the institution. Nicosia said that the legislature may override the governor and allow schools "modest increases" without forfeiture of the bonus money.

He added that any tuition increase at OU would be less than 10 percent, "nothing like the double-digit increases (students) have been seeing (in past years)."

One other possibility Nicosia mentioned would be partial or total repayment of \$1.4 million which has accrued from various Executive Orders in the past. An Executive Order essentially

allows the governor to take back what the legislature appropriates.

Nicosia said that the legislature was talking about repaying at least some of that money, which could help OU avoid a tuition increase like those planned at other schools.

Without that and with only a 10 percent increase over appropriations from last year, the university would end up with a \$1 million deficit; a tuition increase would be the only other solution besides running in the red.

Nicosia could not remember the last time the university was in a deficit at the beginning of an academic year.

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members to be in the majority.

McClory said that the first reason was not valid.

He said the percentage of students on other university committees is around 30 percent including, until Thursday's vote, the APPC and the UCUI.

McClory added that the students are "not trying to overthrow the university we're trying to keep what we have."

He said that he would not have minded the second motion vote if there had been some reasons from the

other senate members who were in favor of the reduction in student representation.

The UCUI was responsible for eliminating the Academic Progress Indicator (API) from use. Faculty senate members seemed to think that students would be reluctant to vote on policies that could adversely affect other students, such as graduation requirements and the API.

One faculty senate member, though, suggested that students are sometimes tougher on policies affecting other students.

Robotics

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OU's reputation in the area of robotics, which Loh feels is the coming thing, will get even better than it is now.

"If we're going to make a name for ourselves this is the time. If we miss out this time there may be no second chance," Loh said.

The conference will be held in O'Dowd Hall.

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EDITORIAL

Progress may destroy history

Again, in the name of progress, we are in danger of losing a part of our historical background. Plans began several years ago, yet students haven't been consulted or informed about them.

Many buildings on Oakland's campus are in danger of being leveled. No, sorry, we aren't referring to O'Dowd Hall. We are talking about many of the older buildings. Namely, the Dodge farmhouse, the Barn Theatre, the Creamery and other buildings south of Hannah Hall. These buildings, with the exception of the Dodge farm house, are marked for demolition to make way for a new science medical building.

While little money has been allocated for the farmhouse since 1978, the university claims it can no longer afford to maintain the historical structure.

The Dodge farm house has entertained many important literary figures from the jet set of the 1920's, including F. Scott Fitzgerald, Ernest Hemingway, John Steinbeck, and influential personalities of early cinema, including Charlie Chaplin. The land upon which we now study was once used by these renowned artists for fox and pheasant hunts and other forms of leisure.

The Barn Theatre and Creamery were renovated in the 1960's by students from the cattle barn to an operational theatre and anteroom. The theatre is still used and treasured by Students for the Village and Coffeehouse Productions for expansion of the arts, and recently, a Barn committee was established to further the use of the structures. Yet, forces within the university are attempting to promote destruction of these landmarks.

The importance of these structures is evident not only in their historical value, but also in promoting social activity among the OU community.

OU has 1,600 acres of land, much of which is undeveloped. Perhaps an alternative is to develop some unused land and leave history intact until the administration decides it has the money for renovations. These buildings should be viewed as part of our culture at OU and not simply eyesores to be destroyed at the whim of progress.

The *Oakland Sail* welcomes letters to the Editor, and reserves the right to edit for space and grammar. Letters must be signed except in special situations determined by the Editor. Deadline for letters is noon Thursday. Send letters to the *Sail* at 36 Oakland Center, Oakland University.

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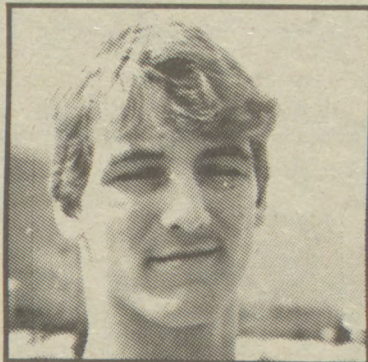
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OTHER VOICES

Questioned by Gary Budry

Photos by Merrellyn Ashley

QUESTION: Would a less than 10 percent increase in tuition affect your decision to return in the fall or affect your class load?



Jerry Umin, freshman, Computer Science: "It wouldn't be that big of an increase."



Nabil Amad, freshman, Computer Engineering: "No. I'm a foreign student already paying a large sum."



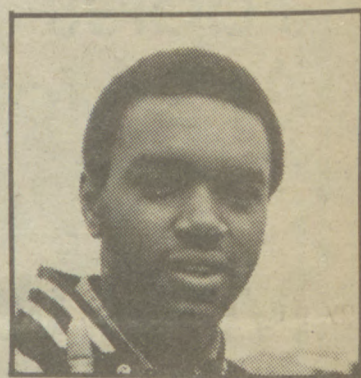
Theresa Drensek, sophomore: "I would come anyway. It wouldn't make a difference."



Sharon Hutchins, junior, Finance: "I'd return. It's not a big change."



Colleen Comiskey, graduate student, Counseling: "My class load would probably stay the same but I hope they don't increase (tuition)."



Dennis Washington, freshman, Public Administration: "I'd take the same amount of classes."



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CAMPUS LIVING/ARTS



April Showers...

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Clouds form over O'Dowd Hall Thursday just before a seasonal thunderstorm doused Oakland.

Student enjoys Oakland stay

By CATHY BEADLE
Staff Writer

Mayumi Sasaki will soon be returning to Japan with a mixed collection of memories and impressions of her stay at OU.

In the nine months she has spent as an OU student, Mayumi had the rare opportunity to see first hand the cultural differences between the U.S. and Japan.

Last year Mayumi, a 21-year-old linguistics major at Nanzan University in Japan, competed with other students for the chance to study in America. According to Mayumi, being chosen to represent her university at OU was a dream come true.

After arriving in the U.S., Mayumi was first impressed by how open Americans are. "People are more direct. They express how they feel. It's better. It's, what shall I say, honest," she explained.

But Mayumi admitted that at first she was shocked at the casualness with which students addressed their professors. She explained that in Japan, it is customary to use formal language when speaking to anyone even a year older than yourself.

Mayumi was also unaccustomed to the kind of relationships her American friends had with their parents. "We are not so free to talk with parents about dating, sex, those kinds of things," she said.

Mayumi found that American parents tend to encourage their children to be independent. In Japan, the first thing children are taught is to cooperate with each other.

"Here people are more individualistic. There (in Japan) we are more group oriented. We have to pay attention to how people look, how people act," explained Mayumi.

According to Mayumi, the Japanese do not speak as directly as Americans, but rely on the ability to express themselves without words. In turn, they must be able to read the expressions and actions of others. This is not only a courtesy, but a responsibility.

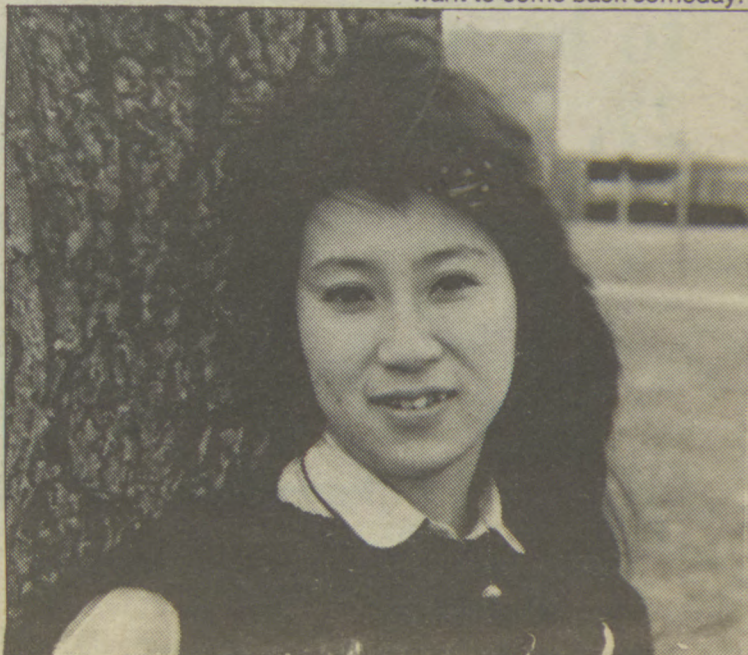
Mayumi related overhearing a conversation between a girl and her roommate. The girl said she had forgotten to give a blanket to a friend who had spent the night. Her roommate answered, "Don't feel bad. If she wanted a blanket, she should have asked for one."

Mayumi said that in a similar situation in Japan, the girl who forgot to offer the blanket would have been filled with shame at her own thoughtlessness.

According to Mayumi, young people in Japan meet in many of the same places as Americans do—at their high schools, colleges, or part time jobs.

But dating in America was somewhat different from what Mayumi was accustomed to. She explained that in Japan, the guy does not usually go to the girl's house to pick her up for a date. Instead, young people often meet with a group of friends at the movies or a coffeehouse.

Although Mayumi is anxious to return home to her family and friends, she said that she enjoyed her stay at OU. She found the people to be friendly, the classes challenging, and she added, "I want to come back someday."



The Oakland Sail/Merrellyn Ashley

Mayumi Sasaki, exchange student

Park project upsets senior

By ROBERTA KENNEDY
Typesetter

You've probably read about the proposed technology park scheduled to be built around and on OU. The planners expect the facilities, when completed,

to attract financial and communications firms, high-tech and research companies, and (perhaps) light manufacturing.

There is no doubt that the construction, and later the occupants, of the park will provide employment for

many hundreds of people. Because of the housing boom in the area, the last of the farmland surrounding Oakland is already being paved over or built up.

Undoubtedly the OU Board of Trustees and President Champagne expect these changes to benefit OU. They may well bring employment for OU grads (although there are lots of other graduates, with experience, willing to move where the jobs are). Private capital and resources may also inject the financial and knowledge equivalents of adrenalin into many OU departments and research projects (while leaving other departments and projects even more tired by contrast).

Before we get too involved in this adrenalin rush, though, we might indulge in a lazier form of spring madness.

OU's contribution to the technology park includes virtually all the land south of Lonedale Road to Butler Road, bounded by Squirrel Road on the west. If you've never noticed the sign on Lonedale Road, you may know it better as the "unimproved goat-track" that runs past OU's tree farm and observatory, the Research Lab, and finally dead-ends at Gardner's Oasis. The road is paralleled to Pioneer Drive, the southern-most road around campus.

Even more that Squirrel and Butler Roads, Lonedale is a one-lane dirt track. You have to dodge wildly around bumps and pits deep enough to swallow a full-grown VW.

OPEN SPACE

By BILL SLEEMAN
Campus Living/Arts Editor

Last impressions

Spring is in the air, time for flowers, sunning alongside beautiful Beer Lake, summer clothes, graduation, and time for yet another silly article from a graduating senior who wishes to express his impressions of the much vaunted *Oakland Experience*.

After watching the Academy Awards I decided to revise this from an "I'd like to thank all the little people" speech to a list of what I think is good and bad about OU. (Remember, this is only my opinion).

Things I don't like about Oakland. I had a hard time with this category because there isn't all that much to find fault with.

O'Dowd Hall. I can't stand this building, it doesn't fit in with the rest of the campus, it's always hot in the summer and cold in the winter, and the acoustics in the lecture halls are the absolute worst.

The annual parking problem. I'm no sure what bothers me more about it though, the fact that there is a problem or that every fall the student politicians who are never vocal the rest of the year make it a major issue.

The fact that some Greek organizations on campus get away with outright hazing in flagrant disregard of the university rulings against this type of behavior and in the process give all Greeks a bad name.

Filling out pink forms at the Financial Aid office (this one really bugs me) when all I want is a short answer to a very simple question.

Things I really like about Oakland (again, this is only one man's opinion).

Eta Phi Chapter of THETA CHI Fraternity, the *Oakland Sail*, SPB, Student Life Lecture Board, University Congress, the friends I've made in these groups or the good times I've had because of these groups.

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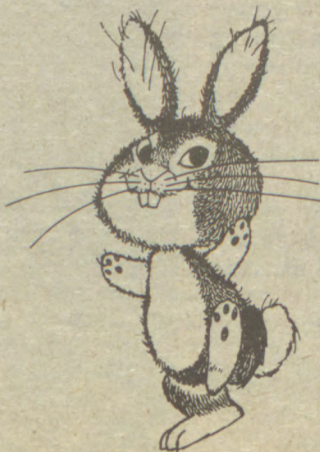
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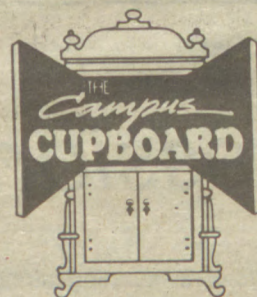
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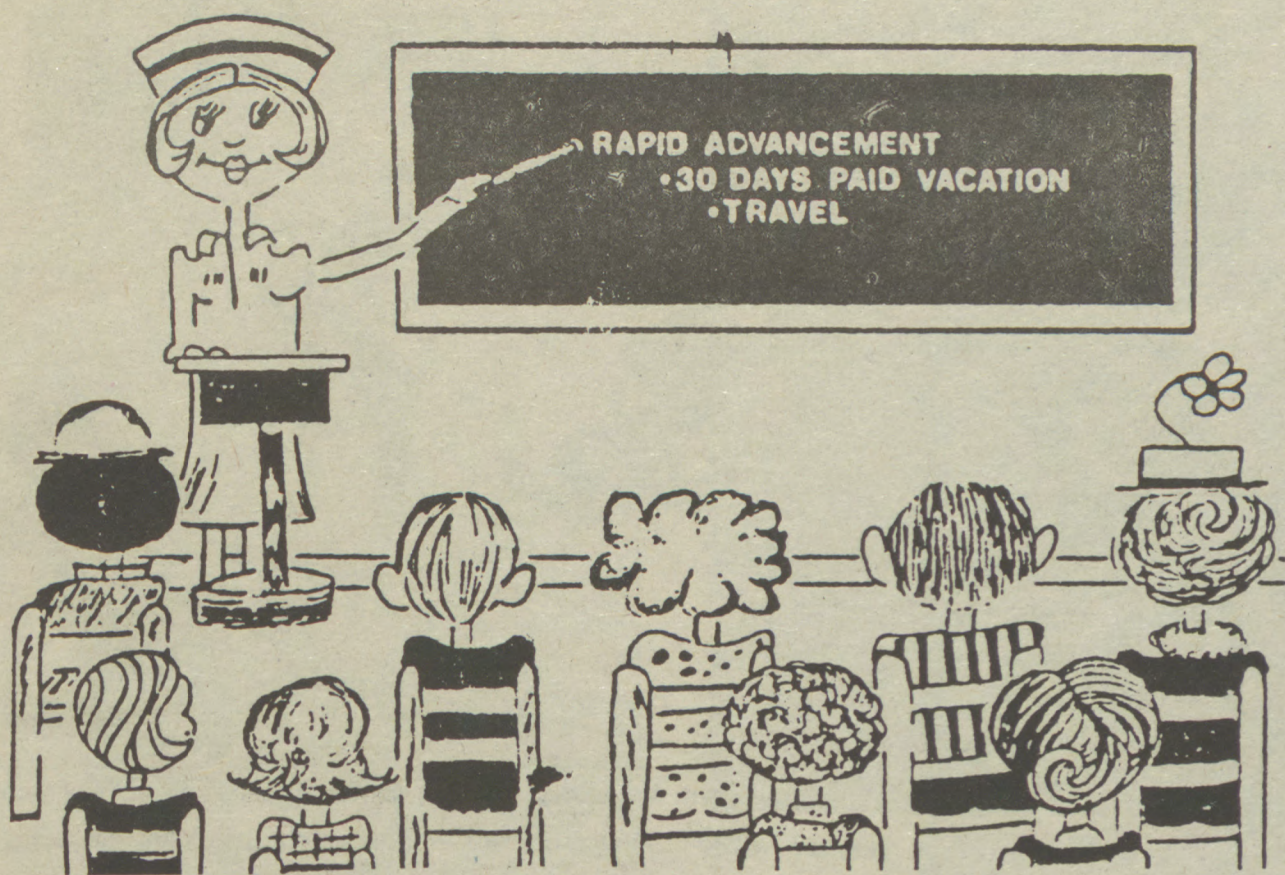
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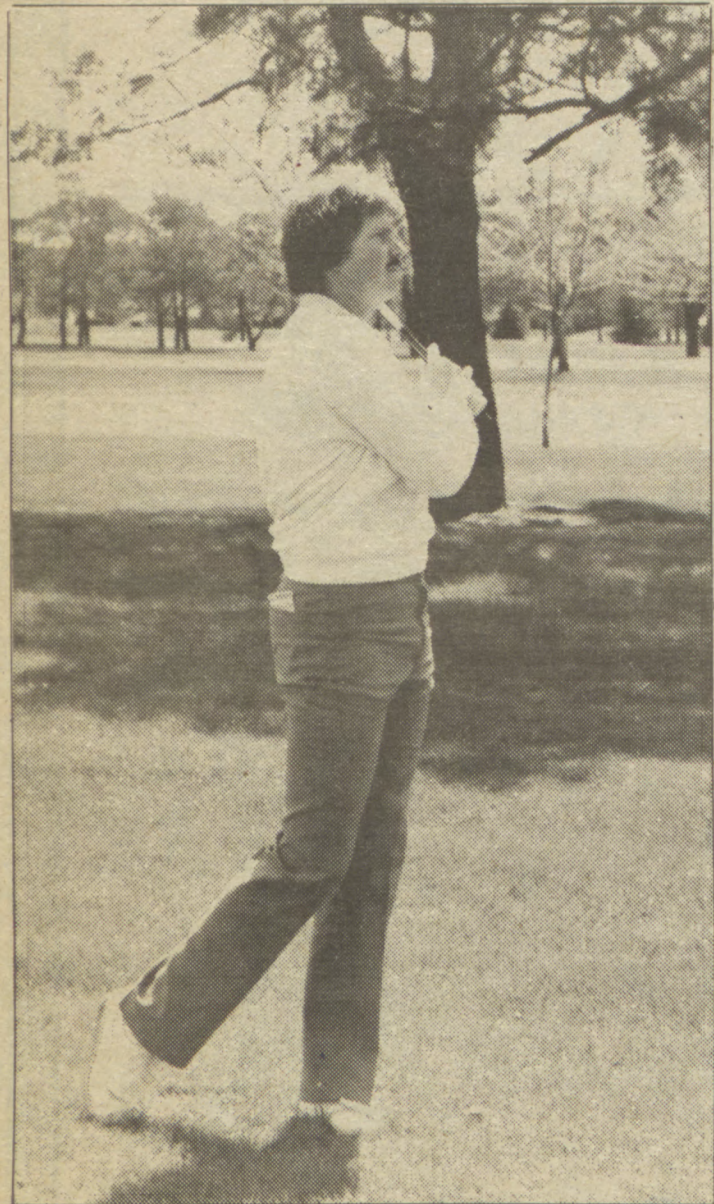
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The year in sports...



Terri Welchert and Erica Bauer (right) with their teammates made this year's edition of the volleyball team compare with the conference-winning team of 1979-80....Wait until next year, is the call....



Ken Angrove, the gentle giant of a golfer, made the links his own as he led the fall golf team of George Wibby.



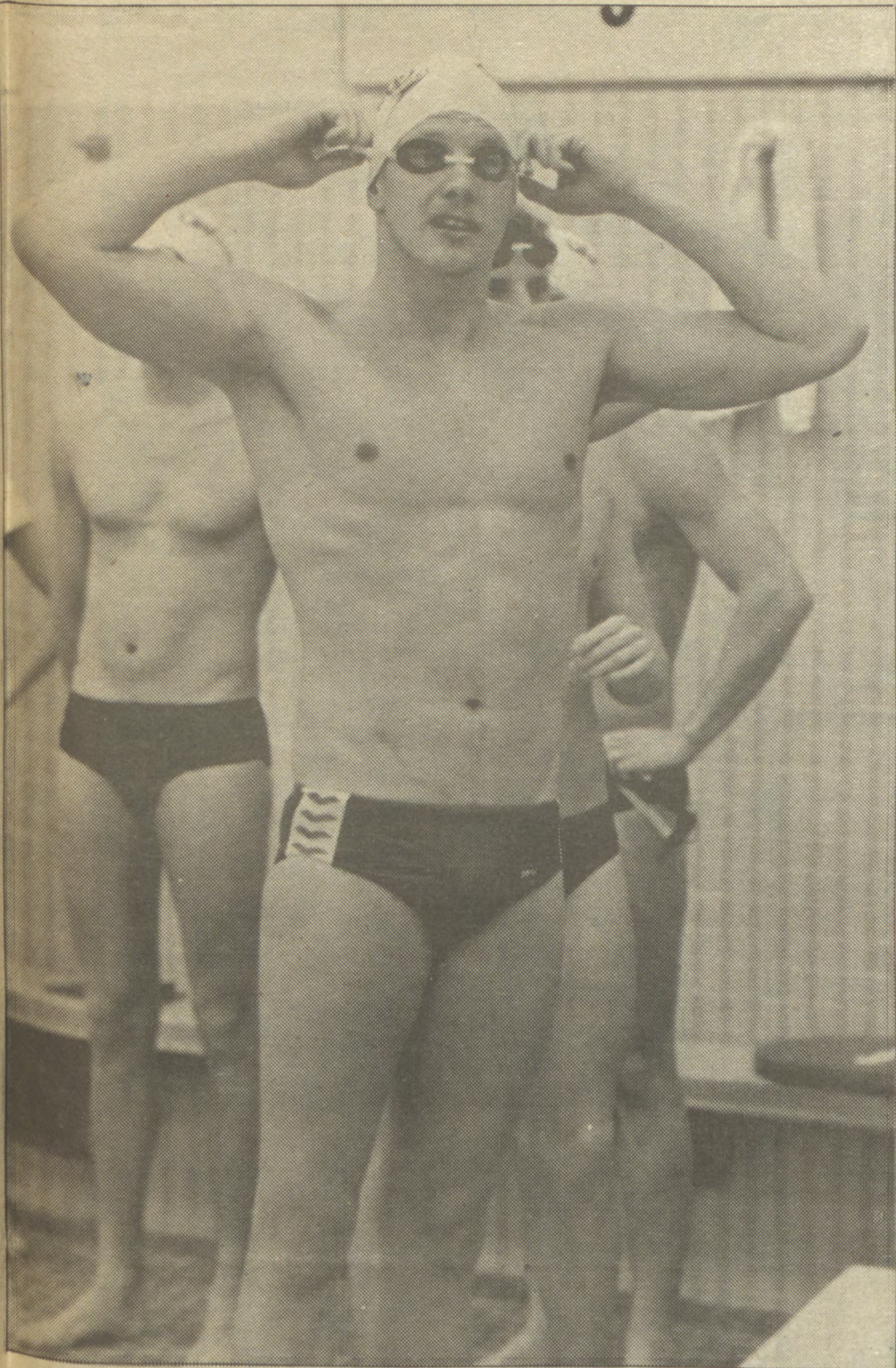
Hubert Vogelsinger, in a visit that belied its national recognition for OU's soccer team, led an important coaches' clinic at Lepley Sports Center.



Mary Vincent, Karen Enneking, and Kathy VanValkenberg (l to r) were tough characters, and proved it during the NCAA Division II championships. Vincent even qualified and competed in the Division I championships after winning the one-meter diving competition at Hofstra College in New York.

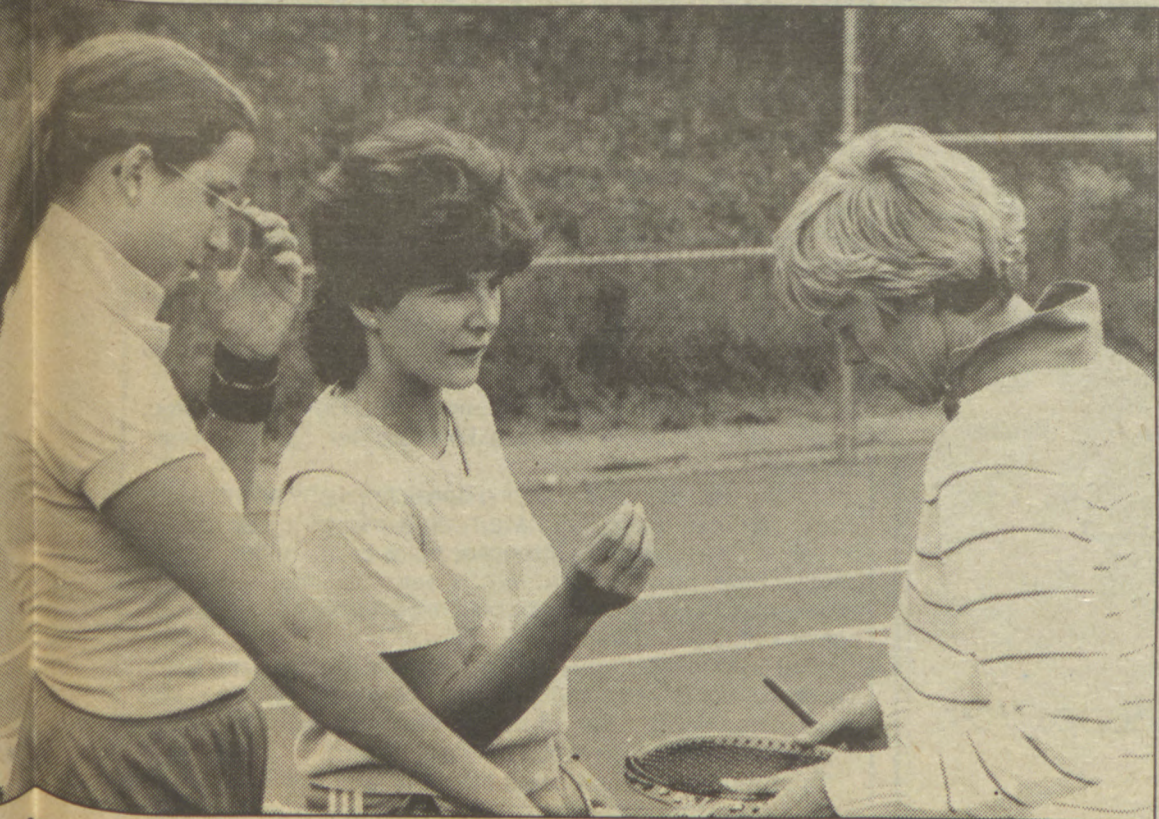


Bob Burda was more than just a cog in the steam-roller that powered the Enforcers floor hockey team to another in its line of championships.

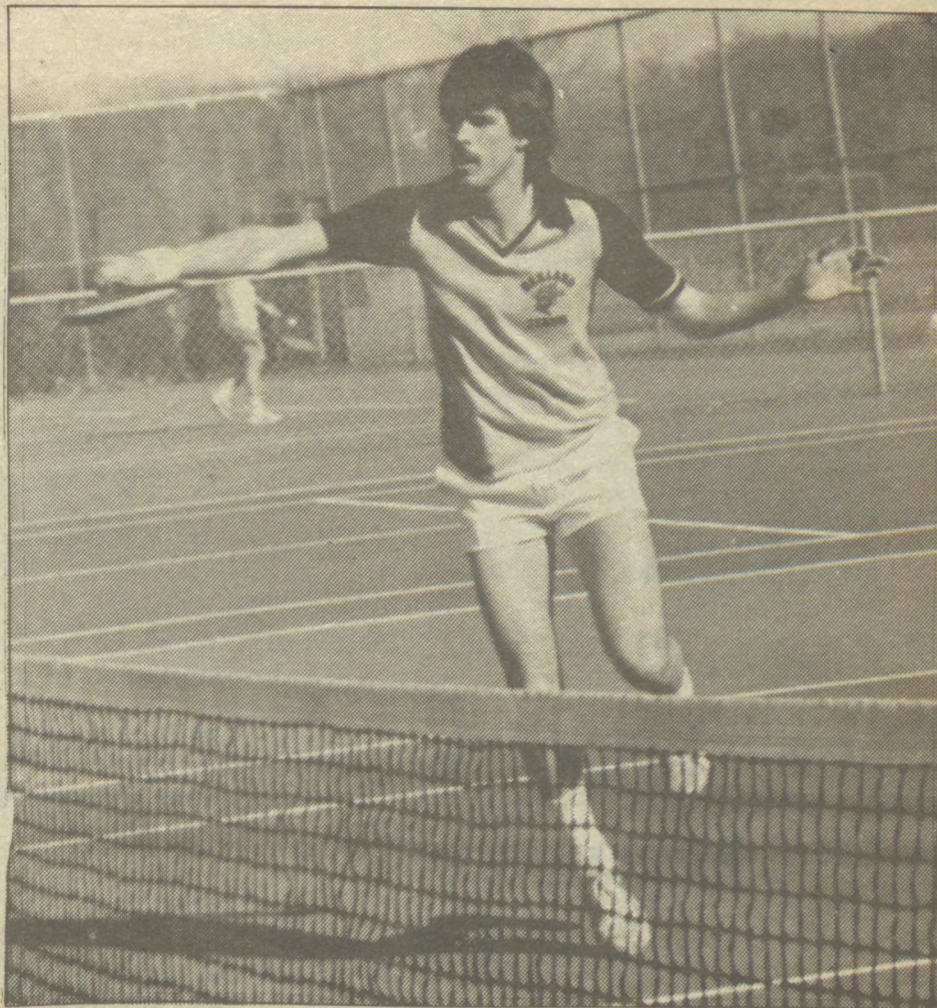


Tracy Huth graduates from OU as the single most powerful swimmer in OU history. He won national honors and the title "Swimmer of the Year" for the second year in a row. A fitting climax to a great— without understatement—career.

and more to come...



Schlkey, Liz Fuller and Coach Donna Dickerson (l to r) moved up in the conference standings as the Pioneer tennis team ended a rebuilding year with positive signs for a winning season for the coming fall.



Brian Vellette, Jack Morris look-alike brought his leadership and maturity to the Pioneer tennis team to make it a contender in what might have been thought of as a rebuilding year.



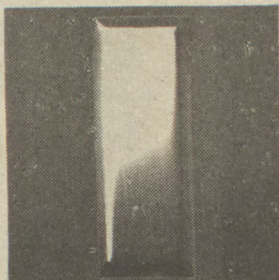
Mike Mohn led the men's basketball team with his shooting and enthusiasm, but that would not be enough. The team fought the opposition during an administrative move that would see the ousting of Coach Lee Fredericks while the season was in progress.

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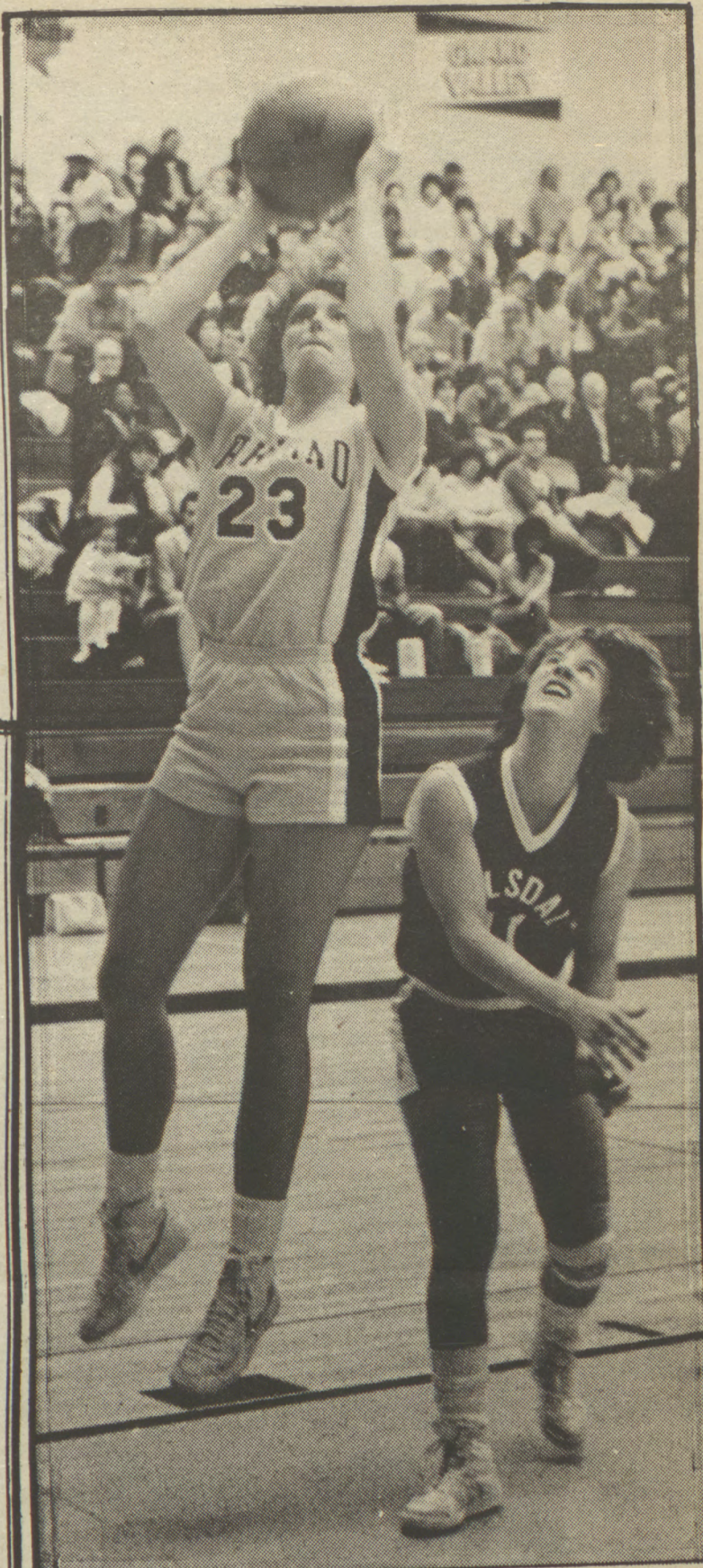
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Senior

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The Career Advising/Job Placement office and the efforts that these people make to reach students and provide them with advice, jobs and practice in the interviewing techniques that are going to be so important to all of us someday.

The diverse cultural programs that are available to students at Oakland. From campus lectures, to Meadow Brook Theatre and Art Gallery, to the Center for the Arts and the Coffeehouse programs.

The campus (with the exception of O'Dowd) is scenic, comfortable, and well kept, unlike a smaller college I once attended.

Last but not least (as the saying goes), the many talented and interesting instructors that have been a part of my academic career at OU (Oakland's strongest point in my mind). These people have provided me with a very personal education experience, the type that one would expect from a small school not one of Oakland's size.

What is your point, you may ask, well...it's this. Oakland is not a great school by any standards nor is it the worst but it is a very good school, and if the efforts by the university's leaders to improve it bear fruition it can only get better.

I'm proud to have graduated from Oakland University and I know that I received the type of positive education, the *Oakland Experience*, while I was here that makes for fond memories and a better future. If you are a senior and you don't feel this way I'm sorry, if you do, then you understand my feelings. The *Oakland Experience* is there if you look for it and if you make the most of what the university offers.

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

FROM: BOB McCLORY, PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY CONGRESS

University Congress has been involved in a wide range of activities this past semester. I would like to highlight some of the tasks we have been working on:

- 1) Congress has helped students solve problems and cut "red tape" around the university.
- 2) University Congressmembers are representing the student body on the University Senate and its various committees. Students on these committees have been discussing the following issues: the ability of students to take courses on a pass/fail basis, changing the Center for Health Sciences to a School, and offering a Masters Program in Exercise Science.
- 3) Congress was quite instrumental in helping to form the Michigan Collegiate Coalition. This is a network of student government leaders from accross the state working on issues of student concern. Also, the group is providing a forum for effective communication among the state's four-year public institutions. Congress will be hosting the Fall General Assembly meeting of the MCC. This will be a major conference at which time the group will adopt a formal constitution and develop goals for Michigan's student government efforts.
- 4) Congress legislation has dealt with the availability of financial aid resources and having a non-smoking section in the Iron Kettle. The Steering Committee has invited guest speakers to discuss issues ranging from measuring Satisfactory Academic Progress to the use of computers in university offices.
- 5) The Student Programming Board, a standing committee of University Congress, has completed a semester of successful activities, including the development of a new subcommittee, Recreation and Leisure. Also, for the first time, money has been budgeted for some programming in the spring and summer semesters.
- 6) The Student Activities Board, a standing committee of University Congress, has allocated over \$18,000 to student organizations. SAB has also surveyed student organizations about revisions in the current guidelines for the funding system.
- 7) The Public Relations Committee is currently producing the 1984 New Student Record, available for all incoming students in the fall. The committee is also developing a Student Directory, which would include addresses and phone numbers of all participating students.
- 8) Congress is helping to coordinate student participation and programs for Oakland's 25th Anniversary celebration in the fall.
- 9) Congress helped develop and conduct the student survey for the Commission on University Excellence.
- 10) A leadership conference was held to give the new congress a better understanding of how the university operates. Also, President Champagne held monthly meetings with congressmembers to discuss student concerns.
- 11) Congressmembers contacted prospective students and answered their questons about Oakland at the Admissions Office Phonathon this month.
- 12) Congress sent representatives to last week's meeting of the Governor's Commission on the Future of Higher Education.
- 13) Some Congressmembers attended a conference that dealt with coordinating student voter registration drives. Congress may be able to use this information to develop a comprehensive voter registration drive before the November elections.
- 14) In the fall Congress may have a student-wide Constitutional Convention and possible referendum on the Student Activity Fee. This would take place at the same time as the Presidential and Congressmember elections.

I am looking forward to busy and productive spring & summer semesters. Remember, University Congress is working to serve the students. If you ever have any concerns, complaints, or compliments, don't hesitate to stop in at the University Congress office, 19 OC. Have a great summer!

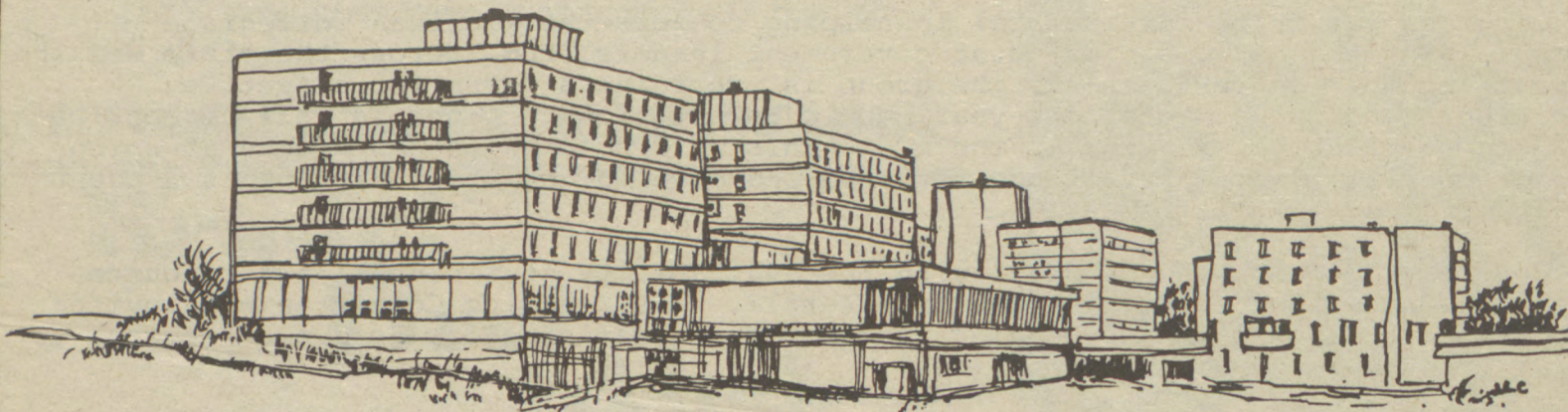
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Soon, even that will be gone. President Champagne did not, as far as I know, ask for student input before planning the technology park and volunteering OU land. I disagree with that sort of high-handedness, ordinarily, but in this case I'm glad he used it. I don't have to choose between supporting new jobs and progress, or supporting the memories and wonders of Gardner's Oasis and Lonedale Road and the woods and fields. I'm glad I don't have to choose.

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