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On the cover: Oakland University students
help co-founder Mrs. Matilda R. Wilson ring
in her 81st birthday, five years after the opening
of the university in 1959. This issue of the OU
Magazine features reflections on Oakland's first
25 years.

PRESIDENT

*Celebrating
A Quarter Century
of Access to Excellence*

**Oakland
University**



Photo by Ann Straky

The 25th anniversary emblem displayed on this page was developed to express Oakland University's respect for and dedication to the precept of our motto, "seguir virtute e canoscenza" (follow courage and wisdom). The sail is a symbolic representation of the Greek sail of Ulysses, which is the central element of the official university seal. The sail's significance in this 25th year of Oakland University's service to the citizens of Michigan is reflected in the many accomplishments of our relatively short, but dynamic, history . . . and even more in the promise for our future.

The wind continues to thrust the OU sail onward in pursuit of excellence regardless of rough seas and the uncertainty of uncharted waters that lie ahead. As in the past, the university looks optimistically

toward the challenges of the years to come. Oakland will continue to manage its affairs responsibly, to offer innovative, high-quality programs with concern for the best interests of students, alumni and community. It will move forward with "providing access to excellence" as its continuing goal.

The spirit and devoted service of Oakland University people will be both recognized and honored in many of the activities of the 25th anniversary celebration this fall. Please encourage your family members, friends, business associates, and neighbors to attend the events of their interest, especially the Anniversary Open House on September 23. It will provide visitors with an opportunity to see many aspects of the university in an informal setting—the teaching, scholarship and research, cultural and student life vitalities of which we are all proud.

We hope you enjoy the anniversary-related articles and photographs in this issue. And we hope you will join us in the events of this fall to make our 25th anniversary truly significant, festive, and fun.

A Taste of the Best

Eight Charter Students Relate the Highs and Lows of Oakland's Beginnings

The charter class of Oakland University shares a common bond. We have been marked with the educational ideals, institutional philosophy and academic purpose that are the foundation of Oakland University.

The charter class graduates have not forgotten those first years. Many of us were the first in our family to attend college; indeed, for many, the new commuter institution would offer access to hitherto unattainable opportunities. The faculty that taught us was young, inexperienced and tough. There was confusion about requirements and policies. The tiny library was housed in an administrative office complex. The campus had no student life amenities. Construction noise and dirt were constants. There were no traditions, no upperclassmen, no alumni, no exam and term paper files.

There was, however, a spirit of adventure—a pioneering attitude. Coupled with a deep sense of concern for the students on the part of the benefactors, the faculty and the administration, that esprit bespoke a determination to make the experiment succeed.

Above all, we charter students share a pride, not in the accident of being first, but in having made the path along which so many thousands would travel.

Oakland University Magazine staff writer Mary Hayes, with research assistance from Judy Nolish ('71), chose eight graduates of that first class to be the focus of this article. The eight include four who have achieved success in careers outside Michigan, one who is particularly active in the alumni association, one who now serves on Oakland's faculty, and two couples who met at Oakland and were later married. One couple's child will continue studies at OU in the fall. Their stories tell much about the early years at the institution and the value of that founding experience.

Joan B. Stinson ('63)
Director of Alumni Relations
Oakland University

"Senior Pictures"



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BERRY



CORBIN



DONATO



FULLMER



MILLER



SWOBODA

Margaret Swoboda Kelly

Margaret Swoboda Kelly, assistant director of institutional advancement for Holy Family College in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, remembers her first day at Michigan State University-Oakland (MSUO). The students and the faculty were called together for an academic convocation. The students were challenged to learn how to think and reason and use their innate abilities to become valuable members of society. "Those were not empty words," said Kelly, adding that her classes reflected that philosophy. "We were encouraged to challenge ideas and question things that took place."

Kelly believes she received a superior education at Oakland University that has served her well professionally. "I was taught how to think and communicate, and that helped me develop my self-

confidence," she said. The faculty served as role models for Kelly. They not only were impressive intellectually, Kelly said, they were warm and friendly and spent a great deal of time with students. She recalled going to professors' homes for social activities. "You admired



KELLY

them and looked up to them and strived to emulate them," Kelly said.

"They gave us a taste of the best."

George Corbin

George Corbin, professor at Herbert H. Lehman College of the City University of New York, agrees with Kelly. He did not know how to study when he started at MSUO and described his first year as "horrible."

Two professors turned Corbin around during his sophomore year. They helped him become interested in art history and psychology. "They serve as a standard I try to emulate in my own teaching career," he said.

Corbin describes the faculty as active and broad-minded. The faculty opened up possibilities for him he never knew existed. "They were available personally as well as professionally," he said.

Corbin worked as a custodian cleaning floors and doing grounds work for Chancellor Woody Varner. He parked cars for parties that Mr. and Mrs. Wilson held at Meadow Brook Hall. He remembers Mrs. Wilson bringing him pop and taking the time to visit with him.

Corbin says the early Oakland experience truly shaped him. "It opened the door to academics."

Julie (Becker) Fredrick

Julie Fredrick remembers how tough those years were. Many had never taught before. "They had high expectations, and my grade point suffered," Fredrick said. In 1959, there were 525 freshmen. By her sophomore year, more than half had left or had been asked to leave. Only 146 seniors graduated, some of them transfers from other institutions.

Fredrick recalls the faculty was caring as well as demanding. "To this day, if I return to campus and meet a member of the charter faculty, even if I didn't have him or her for a class, he or she will remember me," she said.

In 1979, Fredrick earned a master of arts in teaching at OU and now works as a pre-school teacher and consultant for the pre-



FREDRICK

school program with Waterford Public Schools. She attributes her organizational abilities and the ability to budget time to her educational experience at MSUO.

Fredrick was a founding member of the Oakland University Alumni Association, taking on a number of volunteer assignments over the years. "Oakland University is my school," she states.

Daniel Fullmer

Oakland University is also Daniel Fullmer's "school." He is an associate professor of linguistics and English in OU's College of Arts and Sciences.



FULLMER

Fullmer had not planned on a career in teaching, but his experience at MSUO inspired him to continue with his education. Fullmer transferred to MSUO in 1961 because of an article about the university that he had read in *Time* magazine.

Fullmer has a unique perspective on OU, because he has been both a student and a teacher. He observed that many of the students he teaches today are like the students with whom he went to school 25 years ago. Many come from non-college families. "I try to keep in mind the original purpose of the university that I learned as a charter student," he said, to bring to working families the high-quality liberal arts-based education formerly available only to the wealthy at private institutions.

Gary and Kathy (Berry) Acker

Gary and Kathy Acker met at the first convocation. "Kathy was sitting all by herself on a stone bench. Three of my buddies dared me to go up and talk to her. I did," said Gary. However, they did not get together until their junior year.

The Ackers now live in Richmond, Kentucky, where Gary is an area service manager for General Motors Truck and Bus. Kathy returned to school in 1977 to become a surgical nurse. She was first in her class at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond.

Kathy remembers the senior dance at Meadow Brook Hall. Mrs. Wilson presented each of the seniors a gold class ring set with a diamond and bearing the legend "Oakland University Charter Class." Kathy still wears her ring with a great deal of pride and a sense of accomplishment.

At breakfast following the dance, Mrs. Wilson gave hand-crocheted shawls to the women, because the evening was chilly. Although the women returned the shawls later, Kathy remembers that warm gesture.

Kathy believes her independent nature was shaped by the Oakland experience. "We were the oldest class, and we had to grow up faster,"

she said. "There were no precedents to follow."

Both Kathy and Gary recall the serious intellectual atmosphere. They remember classes in the first year where students who failed were allowed to repeat and erase the bad grade, but thereafter, "it was survival of the fittest," Gary said. "Prospective employers wanted to know why I majored in liberal arts," he added, "but there was a lot of prestige in graduating from Oakland University."

Gary worked part time in maintenance as a student. One day he was trimming bushes at Chancellor Varner's home, and Varner invited him in for lunch. "That was a memorable, yet commonplace experience at OU," Gary said.

Contrasting the family-like quality of the MSUO student body with the sprawling campus the Ackers found when they attended the Charter Class' Twentieth Anniversary Reunion, Kathy commented, "Your life then was an open book, because everyone knew everything about everyone else."

Ronald and Beverly (Donato) Miller

Ronald and Beverly Miller, of Auburn Hills, Michigan, met at Pontiac Northern High School. Both were charter members of that school, and Beverly thinks the experience helped them survive the rigorous academic program charter students experienced at Oakland University.

She had taken college prep classes while many of her friends, who went to OU because it was close to home and inexpensive, had not. "They weren't academically prepared, and they didn't make it," she said.

Beverly believes she received a superior education which included the writing and communication skills that she uses in her job as a librarian with the Avondale school system and as she continues her education in OU's legal assistant program.

Ron Miller, principal of Berkshire Middle School in Birmingham, remembers the first

convocation, when the charter class was told that "this university was founded to produce students with sharp, abrasive edges—thinkers and doers."

He also remembers his first term, when students discovered how tough OU really was. "Almost everyone failed the economics class," he said.

"I was provided the best liberal arts education that anyone received during that period of time," Ron said. He is well aware that universities are under pressure to prepare students for careers and believes that trend may not be beneficial. He thinks it is important that students receive a well-rounded education. "Even in my area (middle school) there is a push to broaden education," he said.

Ron and Beverly, married in 1963, are members of the Oakland University President's Club, a significant long-term financial commitment, because the university is so important to them. "We feel a

closeness to OU," Beverly said. "In our personal life experiences, OU has always been there."



The tradition continues

Ronald and Beverly Miller's son, Robert, is completing his freshman year in the premed program at Oakland University.

Robert did not decide to attend OU until his last day of orientation. Now he is happy he did. Although his original plan was to stay at OU only for his first two years, he now plans to continue as an undergraduate because of the research opportunities for students at the university.

"My parents had a lot of influence on my choice to stay at Oakland University," said Robert. "A smaller institution such as this has a more personal atmosphere. They told me it would, and I certainly have benefited from it—both socially and academically."



Ronald, Robert and Beverly Miller

Promise, Dedication, Camaraderie and Hard Work

OU Charter Faculty and Staff Look Back on 25 Years

Then ...



BURKE



EKLUND



FITZSIMMONS



HAMMERLE



KARAS



KOVACH



MATTHEWS



McKAY



SWANSON



TOMBOULIAN



WHITE

When Oakland University celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary this fall, it will honor the people who helped build it—people such as founders Matilda and Alfred Wilson, first chancellor Woody Varner, then-MSU President John Hannah and the charter members of the faculty and staff.

Those were exciting years, those first years. They were filled with promise and dedication, camaraderie and hard work. There was a sense of purpose that made staff and faculty tasks seem even more important.

"The prospect of a new place

intrigued me," said George Matthews, professor of history, charter faculty member and interim university president from November 1979 to February 1981.

"All of our energies went into building an undergraduate curriculum," Matthews said. "We started with the freshmen class and built each succeeding year's curriculum."

In 1959, the 570 new students at Michigan State University-Oakland (MSUO) could take classes in liberal arts, engineering science, business administration and teacher education. All classes were heavily supple-

mented with liberal arts and sciences. There would be no pre-college courses, no extracurricular activities, no departments. The emphasis was on education and quality.

It was the post-Sputnik era and American education was thought to be deficient. Instruction at MSUO would be devoted to academic principles rather than job application. The curriculum would be of the highest caliber and taught at the highest possible level. "The emphasis was on excellence and the standards would be high," said Matthews.

The Meadow Brook Seminars, held in the fall of 1958, helped set the tone and the rigorous intellectual style that characterized those early years. (see related article, page 7). The seminars created a feeling of uniqueness among faculty and students.

James H. McKay, professor of mathematical sciences, remembers the excitement and challenge of the first years at MSUO. He remembers helping to develop a curriculum, setting grading policies and admission standards, and spending hours talking, planning and writing. "It was a naturally exciting time," he said. "You had the belief that what you were doing was going to be meaningful for years to come."

It was that rare opportunity to help build and shape an institution that enticed William Schwab to leave Michigan State University and come to MSUO in 1959. "I sensed that it was the kind of opportunity that comes once in a lifetime," Schwab said. Schwab is now a professor of English and linguistics and chairperson of the Department of Linguistics at Oakland University. Those early years were infused with a magnificent spirit of camaraderie, Schwab said. "There was great joy," he said. "All of us were committed to the goal of making this a distinctive

and distinguished institution."

Richard J. Burke, chairperson of the Department of Philosophy, recalls that Woody Varner used to give talks telling the faculty how special they were. The faculty was going to help build a university that could give students the kind of education they could get at a liberal arts college but at the tuition of a state supported institution. There was a bond between the faculty and students. "It was the best period of my teaching experience," Burke said.

He and several others were involved in team teaching a course in Western Civilization. They had meetings to determine how best to teach the class, what the content should be and to make up exams. "We had a great opportunity and we made a lot of it," he said. "We made a real effort to work together."

Robert Swanson, currently vice president for developmental affairs, remembers the rigor of the curriculum and the caliber of the students. "That wide-eyed innocent group of kids wittingly or unwittingly exposed themselves to a new university," he said, adding that the Meadow Brook Seminars had established the image that MSUO was the "Harvard of the Midwest."

"Those students went through a baptism of fire because the faculty was very tough," said Swanson. "The survivors are a tough group."

It was inevitable that traditional values would start to creep in, according to Paul Tomboulia, chairperson of the chemistry department. "We were integrating new educational approaches," he said, "but we were constrained by the whole structure of higher education in the United States."

Twenty years ago students were more career-oriented and academically prepared and less pressured by peers, said Tomboulia. "Today students are more job-oriented and less prepared."

There has been a shift toward learning skills that will qualify a student for an entry-level job without focusing on a deeper understanding, adds McKay. "Lots of students will major in computer

science because they can get a job, even though they have limited skills in that area," he said.

When William Hammerle, professor of engineering, started teaching at MSUO in 1959, he taught freshmen chemistry. In 1960, he taught the same students sophomore physics. By their junior year, Hammerle was teaching them engineering.

We took one of the chicken coops and converted it into a classroom . . . the coop had ceramic tile and concrete floors. It was everything a chicken could ask for.

Hammerle characterized those early students as interested and serious, but not necessarily prepared for the rigorous curriculum at the new university.

"The student of today, on the other hand, expects to be prepared for the world, instead of educated," he said. "You can't be prepared successfully with techniques when there isn't a foundation from which to work."

The program diversified during the sixties when nursing, health sciences and computer science were added. The curriculum was moving in a vocational direction and there was a collision of expectations, according to Matthews.

"The staff was young, idealistic and exceptionally well-trained," Gertrude White, emerita professor of English said. She added that many of the faculty came to MSUO because it was an opportunity to give students the kind of quality education that was only dreamed of at other institutions.

The faculty took recommendations from the Meadow Brook Seminars seriously, although White now believes that the seminars were too theoretical and unrealistic. When faculty members confronted the "average high school graduate," they were not prepared to deal with the students—and the academic backgrounds—that actually faced them.

"One of our biggest problems was the terribly high rate of attrition," White said.

She believes that the problem the charter faculty faced in 1959 is the same problem Oakland University faces today. "The question was, and is, how to try to cultivate human beings and better citizens, while also training these same people to support themselves," White said.

Thomas Fitzsimmons, professor of English, is sorry that the new ideas and direction that came from the Meadow Brook Seminars were never really tried out. "We had an absolutely blank slate," he said. "It was a failure not to go further with the experiment. Compromise was necessary, but it [the experiment] could have gone further."

Fitzsimmons indicated that pressure from the legislature and the real needs of the faculty and students changed the innovative program to a more conventional one. "Despite that, he said, "this is still an excellent place."

Helen Kovach-Tarakanov, professor of Russian, was working in Detroit as a social worker and interpreter in 1959. Woody Varner called the institution where she was working and asked if they knew of anyone who spoke Russian who might be interested in teaching at a new university. She went to East Lansing to advise Mr. Varner. He offered her a job, but Kovach-Tarakanov was undecided. What helped her to make the move was an article in *Life* magazine. "I saw a picture of a teacher writing a sentence on the blackboard in Russian, and it had two mistakes in it and no one saw them," she said. "So I said, never mind, I will teach them myself."

Richard Moore, associate director of campus facilities and operations, regrets he didn't keep a diary of those first years. Moore originally worked for Mrs. Wilson as an all-around maintenance man and carpenter at the Meadow Brook Farms beginning in 1951. In 1958 he started at MSUO. "I made runs to Lansing two or three times a week

and to the airport in Detroit to pick people up to be interviewed for positions at MSUO," he said.

"When we first started, there didn't appear to be any levels or divisions," he said. "I played poker and baseball with the faculty. If anyone had a party, we were all invited."

Clare McVety remembers the ground being broken for some of the university buildings and the first Meadow Brook Festival in 1964.

McVety, general foreman of building maintenance, recalls baseball games and coffee breaks in North Foundation Hall.

"It gives you a proud feeling to have been in on the ground floor," he said, "to have been there at the beginning."

In July of 1958, Lowell Eklund, currently the executive director of Meadow Brook Hall and dean of continuing education, set up an office to teach MSU extension classes at the Oakland campus. "We

took one of the chicken coops and converted it into a classroom," he said, adding that the coop had ceramic tile and concrete floors. "It was everything a chicken could ask for."

Eklund enjoys telling the story of the Wilson endowment to MSU.

Mrs. Wilson was approached earlier by the University of Michigan and asked if she would consider an endowment to U of M. No, she hadn't thought of it, she said.

"The University of Michigan planted the seeds," said Eklund, explaining that Mrs. Wilson was on the MSU board of agriculture and was friends with John Hannah, the president of MSU in 1957.

George Karas was the first person hired at MSUO.

Karas and his wife were interviewed by Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and later lived in a cottage on the estate for seven years. Karas was responsible for the maintenance of Meadow

Brook Hall and Meadow Brook Estate and the physical plant at MSUO.

Karas remembers the day he, Woody Varner, and MSU campus planners Milt Baron and Harold Launter moved the prospective campus from north of Deer Lake on Adams Road to the current location. The decision to move the campus site was made in half an hour, as they were driving around Meadow Brook Farms.

"That would be difficult to do today," he said. "Now it takes me six months just to locate a single building site."

Karas has a personal feeling toward Oakland University. Two of his children have graduated from Oakland University and two children have or are currently taking classes here.

"It is still a thrill to watch young people graduate," Karas said. "I am proud of what we constructed at Oakland University."



... and Now



The charter faculty and staff in 1984.

Standing, left to right: George T. Matthews, William Schwab, Robert W. Swanson, Thomas Fitzsimmons, Clare C. McVety. Kneeling, left to right: George Karas, Paul Tomboulia, Richard J. Burke. Seated, left to right: Lowell Eklund, Helen Kovach-Tarakanov, Richard C. Moore.

Fourteen Give 25 Years of Service

Of the faculty and staff who helped to open the institution in 1959, fourteen have given twenty-five years of dedicated service to Oakland University. Listed are their names and current responsibilities:

Richard J. Burke

Professor of Philosophy
Chairperson of Department of Philosophy

Lowell Eklund

Executive Director of Meadow Brook Hall

Dean of Continuing Education

Thomas Fitzsimmons

Professor of English

William G. Hammerle

Professor of Engineering

George Karas

University Engineer

Helen Kovach-Tarakanov

Professor of Russian

George T. Matthews

Professor of History

James H. McKay

Professor of Mathematical Sciences

Clare C. McVety

General Foreman of Building Maintenance

Richard C. Moore

Associate Director of Campus Facilities and Operations

William Schwab

Professor of English and Linguistics

Chairperson of Department of Linguistics

Robert W. Swanson

Vice President for Developmental Affairs

Paul Tombouliau

Professor of Chemistry

Chairperson of Department of Chemistry

Gertrude White

Emerita Professor of English



Meadow Brook Seminars Revisited

Central to the 25th anniversary celebration will be a series of conferences conceived as the analogue of the 1958 "Meadow Brook Seminars on Higher Learning." These seminars established the academic tone and set the rigorous intellectual style which has distinguished Oakland University since its founding.

The "Meadow Brook Seminars Revisited" will have as its theme: Humane Values in a Technological Civilization: The University's Role. We hope in the process to come to a better understanding of the difficult and uncertain academic and social concerns which will challenge the university's ingenuity over the next quarter century.

The original "Meadow Brook Seminars on Higher Learning" were sponsored by the Michigan State University-Oakland Foundation and held in late summer and fall, 1958. Distinguished scholars and educators in engineering, business administration, teacher preparation and liberal arts met at Meadow Brook Hall to consider and recommend a course of academic development.

The question posed to panel members addressing the liberal arts area is indicative of the depth of thought the foundation desired:

"With your experience and knowledge in the field of educational matters, and given a clean slate upon which to write, how would you go about developing a program which will ensure that the students at this new institution are, in fact, liberally educated regardless of the field of specialization?"

And, a listing of the panel members involved shows that some of the country's better minds were put to the task:

Dr. Sarah G. Blanding, President, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York

Dr. Henry Steele Commager, Professor of History and American Studies, Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts

Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, President, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland

Mr. Henry R. Luce, Editor-in-Chief, Time, Inc., New York City

Dr. Ralph W. Tyler, Director, Center for Advanced Study in the

Behavioral Sciences, Stanford, California

The format for each of the Meadow Brook Seminars Revisited includes a keynote address on Monday at 8:00 p.m. in the Oakland Center. This address is open to the public as well as members of the university community. Throughout the following day, Tuesday, distinguished panelists will meet to discuss issues on the topic. The deliberations will be recorded and then evaluated in the last seminar, "What Have We Learned; What Should We Do?" held on Monday, November 19.



For dates, see calendar of anniversary events, page 12.

Highlights in OU History



Clockwise, starting at upper right: First registration of freshmen (1959), held in the breezeway between North and South Foundation Halls.

Intramurals, here, touch football, started early at Oakland and continue to the present day.

Paula Varner, wife of Chancellor Woody Varner, inspects one of the many building sites.

Groundbreaking for Fitzgerald Hall in 1961. Left to right: Jim Wolfe, Harold Fitzgerald, Matilda Wilson, Woody Varner (holding the umbrella), Janet Long and Barbara Osborn.



From top: First commencement in 1963 at the Sports and Recreation Building, later renamed the Lepley Sports Center.

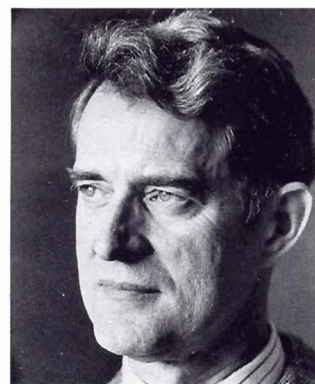
Sixten Ehrling, music director of the Detroit Symphony from 1963 to 1973, is interviewed by a student during the premiere season of the Meadow Brook Music Festival.

Jerry Heberle, associate professor of history, teaches an early class.

Oakland University Chronology

- 1957** Matilda R. and Alfred G. Wilson donate Meadow Brook Farms and \$2 million to Michigan State University to establish a college in Oakland County.
- 1958** Meadow Brook Seminars established fundamental curriculum plans.
Name established as Michigan State University-Oakland (MSUO).
D.B. Varner named first chancellor of MSUO.
Construction begins on North and South Foundation Halls.
- 1959** Initial group of 24 faculty appointed.
First registration of 570 freshmen students.
- 1961** Residence hall construction begins.
- 1963** MSUO renamed Oakland University.
First 146 undergraduate degrees conferred.
- 1964** Opening of Meadow Brook Music Festival.
- 1965** Meadow Brook School of Music formed.
Oakland University reorganized as a conventional university rather than a liberal arts college. (College of Arts and Sciences, School of Education, and School of Engineering authorized.)
School of Economics and Management, and School of Performing Arts authorized, implementation delayed.
- 1966** Meadow Brook Art Gallery opens.
Oakland awarded independent undergraduate accreditation by North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.
- 1967** Meadow Brook Theatre opens.
Urban Affairs Center formed with purpose of relating the university to racial and socioeconomic problems of its area.
The School of Performing Arts activated.
Academy of Dramatic art established.
- 1969** School of Economics and Management developed.
- 1970** Oakland University becomes an independent public university under the authority of its own appointed board of trustees. Formal association with MSU ends.
D.B. Varner resigns, Donald O'Dowd named chancellor.
- 1971** Evening and off-campus programs designed to attract older students launched.
North Central Association of Colleges and Schools awards Oakland University full accreditation at the master's level.
Credit physical education classes begin.

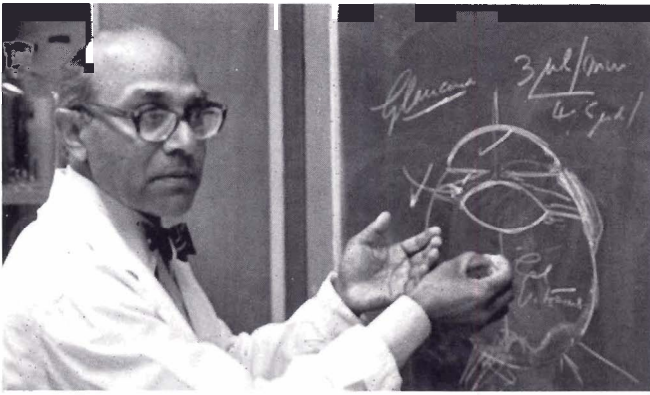
- 1972 Meadow Brook Hall opens for tours.
- 1973 Students admitted to degree programs in computer and information science and human resources development.
- 1974 School of Nursing established and authorized to offer B.S.N. degree.
- 1975 Center for General and Career Studies created to house the B.G.S. degree program.
- 1976 Center for Health Sciences is authorized to offer health professional degree programs. Katke-Cousins golf course opens first nine holes. Second nine opens in spring, 1977.
- 1978 Construction begins on new office/classroom building, later named O'Dowd Hall.
- 1979 Donald O'Dowd resigns, George Matthews named interim president.
- 1981 Joseph E. Champagne named president. OU establishes Center for Robotics. V. Everett Kinsey Memorial Laboratory dedicated for the study of the eye.
- 1982 University reviews its role and mission as well as program offerings with CAMP and SUAMP hearings. (Committee on Academic Mission and Priorities and Student and Urban Affairs Mission and Priorities.) School of Engineering renamed School of Engineering and Computer Science.
- 1983 Adult Career Counseling Center opens. Largest senior class in Oakland University's history: 682 undergraduates. President Champagne establishes Commission on University Excellence to examine quality of university programs. NASA selects Oakland University to establish aviation and space center model.
- 1984 OU celebrates 25th anniversary.



Top: Cross country was the first intercollegiate sport offered at Oakland University.

Middle: Walter Reuther, the late president of the United Auto Workers, enjoys the program during the premiere season of Meadow Brook Theatre (1967).

Head shots, left to right: Durward (Woody) B. Varner, first chancellor of MSUO and OU from 1959 to 1970; Donald D. O'Dowd, president of Oakland University from 1970 to 1979; George T. Matthews, interim president from 1979 to 1981; Joseph E. Champagne, Oakland University president since 1981.

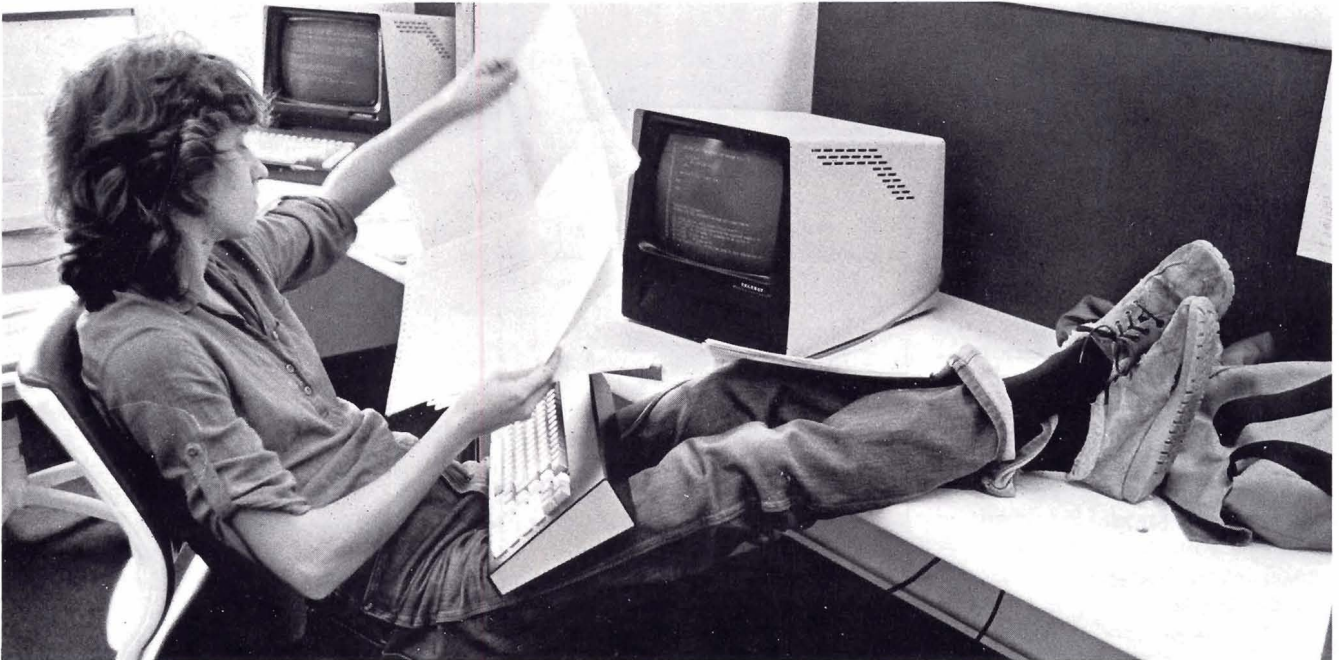


Left: Venkat Reddy, director of the Institute of Biological Sciences, which includes the V. Everett Kinsey Memorial Laboratory, a research center for the study of the eye.

Middle: The School of Engineering and Computer Science offers students ample opportunities to work in computer laboratory facilities.

Lower Left: A laboratory for the medical technology program in the Center for Health Sciences.

Lower Right: The Aviation and Space Center (opened in 1983), located in O'Dowd Hall.



25th Anniversary Events Schedule

(Further announcements will be made during the fall of 1984.)

PRELUDE

Friday, September 14, 1984

United States Marine Band
"The President's Own" in concert

Baldwin Pavilion

Saturday, September 15

Rochester Apple Amble Run

Lepley Sports Center

ANNIVERSARY INAUGURATION

Sunday, September 16

Commencement Exercises

Baldwin Pavilion

ANNIVERSARY DAY

Tuesday, September 18

"State of the University" Address
President Joseph E. Champagne
Birthday Cake Reception

Oakland Center

ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, September 23

Alumni Association Septemberfest
Fun Runs—Pancake Breakfast
Academic Open Houses/Demonstrations
Entertainment—Music, Dance, Drama
Fun and Games—Contests for all Ages
Refreshments—Ox Roast—
Assorted Food and Beverages
Sports—Soccer, OU vs. Eastern Michigan
Concert—Variety Entertainment and
Fireworks (Fee: \$3.50 per person; children
under 12 free)
(Fifties Medley, The Meadow Brook Estate;
George M. Cohan Medley, Meadow Brook
Estate and Pontiac-Oakland Symphony;
Beethoven Piano Concerto, "The Emperor,"
Pontiac-Oakland Symphony)

Lepley Sports Center

Campus Wide

Main Campus and Varner Recital Hall

Baldwin Pavilion

ANNIVERSARY EXHIBIT OPENS

Sunday, September 23

"Contemporary Art in the Collection of
Florence and S. Brooks Barron"

Meadow Brook Art Gallery

Sunday, September 30-
Sunday, October 7

Community Volunteers Recognition Week

Monday, October 15

Meadow Brook Theatre Costume Show

Meadow Brook Theatre, Wilson Hall

Wednesday, October 17

Anniversary Lecture—Kurt Vonnegut

Oakland Center

Wednesday, October 24

Exhibition of Faculty
Contributions to Scholarship

Oakland Center

THE MEADOW BROOK SEMINARS REVISITED

Monday, September 24

Keynote Address:

"University and Technology—The Challenge of Compatibility in the Modern University"

Monday and Tuesday
October 1, 2

The College of Arts and Sciences:

"The Arts and Sciences: An Ancient and Lively Tradition"

Monday and Tuesday
October 8, 9

Continuing Education:

"The Public University and Community Service: How Best to Serve?"

Monday and Tuesday
October 15, 16

School of Human and Educational Services:

"Excellence, Equity and Economy in Education"

Monday and Tuesday
October 22, 23

Graduate Studies:

"Research and Scholarship: Keys to Institutional Excellence"

Monday and Tuesday
October 29, 30

School of Economics and Management:

"Humanity and Technology: The Challenge for Management Education"

Monday and Tuesday
November 5, 6

School of Engineering and Computer Science:

"Academe-Industry: New Relationships, Opportunities and Pitfalls"

Monday and Tuesday
November 12, 13

School of Nursing and Center for Health Sciences:

"Health Care Interdependence in a Changing World"

Monday, November 19

Division of Academic Affairs: "What Have We Learned; What Should We Do?"

Carl F. Barnes, Jr., art and art history, delivered a paper at the Robert Branner Forum for Medieval Art at Columbia University in New York City.

Paul Franklin, CIPO, has been selected to work at the summer Olympic Games in Los Angeles. Franklin, the adviser to the OU Fencing Society, was named to the competition committee for the fencing events.

Raynold Allvin, music, delivered a paper on "Microcomputers in Music Instruction: A Plan for the Future" at the Northeast Chapter of the College Music Society at Columbia University.

Richard Wu, associate professor in the School of Economics and Management, will travel to the Peoples Republic of China. An expert in production/operations management, Wu will deliver invited lectures at the Chengdu Institute of Computer Application. He is an honorary member of the Academy Science there and will lecture on the use of the computer as a tool in management decision making.

In addition, Wu has been invited to lecture in Beijing on manufacturing processes by the Chinese Society of Aviation.

Augustin K. Fosu, economics and management, presented a paper, "International Sector Prices as Signals for U.S. Price Behavior," to the twentieth annual meeting of the Missouri Valley Economic Association in Kansas City.

"Adib al-Mamalek Farahani" and "Adib Pisavari", written by **Munibur Rahman**, modern languages, have appeared in *Encyclopaedia Iranica*, published by Routledge & Kegan Paul, London.

John Cutts, English, read "Dogberry's Much Ado" at the Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association Conference at Arizona State University in Tempe.

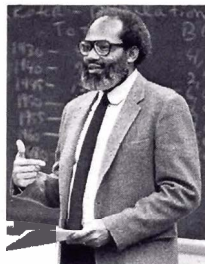
Robert Eberwein, English, read a paper at the Society for Cinema Studies at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, on the "Curved Space of Film."



BARNES



ALLVIN



DYKES



FITZSIMMONS



JACKSON

Joan B. Stinson, ('63) director of alumni relations, was elected secretary of the Michigan Advancement Council (MAC) at its annual meeting in June. The position leads to the presidency of the MAC, an organization of established advancement officers of state-assisted four-year colleges and universities. The MAC attempts to enhance the public's understanding, interest and support of higher education.

Mark Workman, English, has been invited to participate in the summer program of the School of Criticism and Theory at Northwestern University.

Maurice Brown, English, read a paper at the College English Association at Clearwater Beach, Fla., on "Business Writing and Classroom Dynamics."

Two books have been published by Prentice-Hall, Inc., that were written by School of Engineering and Computer Science faculty members. "IBM PC Basic Programming" was written by **Richard Haskell** and **Glenn A. Jackson**, and "Commodore 64/VIC 20 Basic" was written by **Haskell** and **Thomas Windeknecht**.

The Hemingway Society will show "Hemingway Country" at its 1984 meeting in Madrid. **Roberta Schwartz**, journalism, appeared in the WDIV-TV two-part feature and worked as a field producer of the news story shot in Petoskey and Horton Bay.

The significance of the "Japanese Poetry in Translation" publications program of Katydid Books/Oakland University, edited by **Thomas Fitzsimmons**, English, was recognized by the Nobel Library of the Swedish Academy when it requested a complete set of the publications. The academy plays an important role in awarding the Nobel Prize in literature. The last Fulbright-sponsored Japanese poet-in-residence with the English department, **Makoto Ooka**, has been invited to Stockholm to address the academy.

De Witt S. Dykes, Jr., history, has been elected to the board of trustees of the Historical Society of Michigan.

An OU professor who has earned more than \$1 million in National Eye Institute grants has been chosen to share his expertise with European scientists. **John Reddan**, biological sciences, has been invited to join an official U.S. delegation of 30 tissue culture experts who will meet and share knowledge with scientists in seven European research centers.



Katke Elected Foundation President



Marvin L. Katke, first chairman of the board of trustees of Oakland University from 1970 to 1972, has been elected president of the Oakland University Foundation.

He succeeds Norman B. Weston, who served as chairman from 1977 to this spring.

Katke, a foundation trustee since 1965, is one of the donors of the university's Katke-Cousins Golf Course. He is a retired vice president of the Ford Motor Company, where he served in several executive capacities as he did, early in his career, at General Motors Corporation.

As president of the Oakland University Foundation he will head a flourishing organization which, among its activities, sponsors the President's Club. Its active membership of more than 640 provides part of the financial assistance for projects of the foundation as well as service to the university as active ambassadors.

"We have been fortunate in the caliber of those chosen to head the foundation," said Dr. Joseph E. Champagne, president of the university. "Mr. Katke brings a strong combination of talents to the leadership of the foundation at a time when its success is more important than ever to the well-being and advancement of the university."

Organized in 1963 with scholarships as a fund-raising priority, the foundation also has undertaken several special projects. Among them is provision of the setting for sculptor Marshall Frederick's "Saints and Sinners" statue outside the Kresge Library.

In accepting the presidency, Katke noted that "Oakland University will continue to be a vital factor in the economic, cultural and social life of southeastern Michigan. It must have the extra margin of financial support provided by the foundation if it is to fully achieve its potential."


He pointed to the university's urgent need for additional classroom and laboratory equipment and space, support of cultural and academic programs and financial aid to students lacking family financial support.

"We have ample evidence that public higher education achieves true excellence when it becomes a partnership of public and private financial support," Katke added. "Michigan is the most advanced of the 50 states in private support of public higher education, and Oakland will benefit from that historic pattern."

Katke received his own education in Big Rapids, where he was born, and Lansing. He studied engineering and industrial management at Michigan State University and General Motors Institute. Ferris State College awarded him an honorary doctor of laws degree in 1967.

His commitment to public service has included membership on the boards of Alma College, Cranbrook Institute of Science, Cranbrook Educational Community, the Detroit Science Center, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and Harper-Grace Hospital. He has been active in Detroit with the Torch Drive, Junior Achievement and Detroit Area Boy Scouts Council. He is a former trustee of Kirk in the Hills in Bloomfield Hills.


His memberships include the Society of Automotive Engineers, Detroit Athletic Club, Bloomfield Hills Country Club, Oak Creek Country Club of Sedona, Arizona, and life membership in the Ferris State College Golf Club.

Katke and his wife, Maisie, live in Bloomfield Hills. Their two sons and grandson are also active foundation members. 

Foundation Officers Chosen

Officers of the Oakland University Foundation elected to serve in the coming year with President Marvin L. Katke include Mrs. Richard A. Vining as vice president and secretary and Robert J. McGarry as vice president and treasurer.

Elected to serve as vice presidents are Harold A. Cousins, Edwin O. George, Mrs. Henry C. Johnson, Semon E. Knudsen, Walton A. Lewis, Howard L. McGregor, Norman F. Mealey, Mrs. William L. Mitchell, Ralph T. Norvell, Mrs. Donald E. Petersen, Henry D. Price, Harold G. Warner, and Norman B. Weston.

Serving the foundation in an ex officio capacity are Oakland University President Joseph E. Champagne, university Vice President Robert W. Swanson, who is also executive vice president of the foundation, James L. Howlett, legal counsel, and Harold Fitzgerald, president emeritus. 

President's Club Annual Dinner Meeting Set

The annual reception and dinner honoring members of the Oakland University Foundation's President's Club will be held this year on the evening of August 22.

Location of the event will be a gala tent on the grounds of Meadow Brook Hall.

Included in the evening's program will be state of the university comments by President Joseph E. Champagne and recognition of new lifetime members of the organization.

Times for the reception and dinner will be included with invitations to be mailed in early August.

Past Presidents to Speak at Foundation Meeting

Past presidents of Oakland University and Michigan State University will be featured speakers at the annual dinner and meeting of the Oakland University Foundation to be held on October 24.

John Hannah, president of MSU when Oakland University was founded, Durward B. (Woody) Varner, first chancellor at Oakland University and Donald O'Dowd, president of OU from 1970 to 1979, are scheduled to speak on the origin of Oakland University as a division of Michigan State University and its development into an independent institution.

The foundation's annual meeting will also include the election of new trustees and officers. Reports on the foundation's activities will be given by Marvin L. Katke, president of the foundation, President Joseph E. Champagne, and university Vice President Robert W. Swanson, who is also executive vice president of the foundation.

This year's event will be held in Meadow Brook Hall starting with a reception at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m.

President's Club Adds Members

Membership in the President's Club of the Oakland University Foundation reached 648 as of June 1.

New members of this support group, who serve as ambassadors for the university and contribute financially to its support, are:

Dr. Allen M. Alper
Rochester

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Amos
Drayton Plains
(Frances, 1980)*

Mr. James R. Anthony
Rochester

Mr. and Mrs. Ray V. Atherton
Fraser

Mr. and Mrs. Guy D. Barnicoat
Bloomfield Hills

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney H. Beauchamp
Troy

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Biegun
Lake Orion
(Virginia, B.S., 1978, M.A., 1981)*

Mr. Thomas X. Brown
Warren

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bruce
Lake Orion

Mr. David C. Buckles
Troy

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence S. Cohen
Huntington Woods

Mr. Andrew R. Cooper
Rochester

Mr. Andrew Dutton
Milford

Mr. Stephen Ermak
Lake Orion

David Forst, M.D.
Troy

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Francisco
Troy

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Franks
Northville

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis M. Furman
Romeo

Mr. Douglas J. Helmink
Birmingham

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin E. Howell
Bloomfield Hills

Mr. William R. Keller
Clarkston

Mr. Eugene E. Koch
Bloomfield Hills

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Lanza
Rochester

Mr. Karl E. Lawall
West Bloomfield

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Lockwood
Birmingham
(Lynne, 1981)*

Mr. and Mrs. Harold R. Melin
Bloomfield Hills

Mr. and Mrs. Eric D. Monson
Birmingham

Jay Moon, M.D.
Troy

Mr. Hal M. Pantti
Warren

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Pavlik
Wexford, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. David H. Rodwell
Rochester

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Shook
Rochester

Mr. and Mrs. David F. Smith
Rochester

Mr. and Mrs. Jack H. Solomon
Huntington Woods

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy M. Spehar
Troy

Mr. Herbert L. Telshaw, Jr.
Bloomfield Hills

Mr. John C. Thom
Birmingham

Mr. and Mrs. Ross M. Wilson
Rochester

Rudolph A. Wyatt, M.D.
Detroit

*Alumnus of Oakland University

NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS

Mr. and Mrs. Craig R. Foster
Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Foster
Mr. and Mrs. Stephan Sharf
Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Hockeimer

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Albert A. Stanker

Black Alumni Hold Reunion

The Oakland University Black Alumni Association hosted its sixth biennial reunion on June 1 at Detroit's Book Cadillac Hotel. Nearly 200 guests joined in honoring the achievements of Class of '84 graduates and in celebrating the association's tenth anniversary. Susan Edwards, newscaster for WJLB radio, served as emcee.

The program was highlighted by reflections on the history of Oakland's black community from David Baker Lewis ('65), past chairperson of the university's board of trustees; Dr. Manuel Pierson, dean for student services; and Anthony Thornton ('76), one of the association's founders. Mrs. Wilma Ray-Bledsoe, vice president for student affairs, provided an inspiring charge to the graduates.

The association membership recognized the contributions of its outgoing board of directors while welcoming new leadership for 1984-86. Completing their terms were Phillip Martin ('78), president; Gilbert Crittendon ('76), vice president; Anderson Gilmore ('78), recording secretary; Janice Wilker-



Graduating seniors, alumni, faculty and staff were honored at the Sixth Biennial Reunion and Dinner Dance sponsored by the Black Alumni Association on June 1. Among the award recipients were: (front row, left to right) Felicia Bumpus '84; Eleanor Lewellen '74, director, Residence Halls; Sonya Briggs '84; Kimberly Bennett '84; Michelle Joyner '84; Janice Wilkerson-Smith '74, assistant director, Office of Special Programs; (back row, left to right) Darryl Sims '83; Kevin Davis '84; Debra Sydnor '84; Professor Robert Donald, English Department; Occie Hudson '84; Elizabeth Glass, director, Upward Bound; Cheryl Pierson '84; Mirian Boyd '84; Alexander Simpson '84; Anthony Brogdon '84.

son-Smith ('76), corresponding secretary; Sharon Finley ('80), treasurer; and Eleanor Lewellen ('74). Newly elected were Susan Edwards ('78), president; Alex Armbrister ('77), vice president; Ramonda Wilson ('83), secretary; Eleanor

Lewellen ('74), treasurer; Harvey Farmer ('79); David Hill ('79); and Eric Williams ('78).

The Black Alumni Association will host its next event, a welcoming reception for new and returning students, in September.



Wilson Award Winners Named



CHAGNON-ROYCE



McMANN

Two June graduates distinguished themselves by their academic, civic and extracurricular activities at OU and were rewarded for their efforts with the Matilda R. and Alfred G. Wilson Awards.

Jean Chagnon-Royce of Bloomfield Hills and Alan R. McMann of

West Bloomfield were selected by a committee of faculty, staff, and students which considered nominations made by the university community.

The recipients each received a plaque and a \$500 award. Their names will be added to a bronze plaque that is displayed in Wilson Hall.

Chagnon-Royce is a computer and information sciences/human resources development major. She maintained a 3.5 grade point average and was a student in the Honors College. The committee cited her for her high GPA in a rigorous academic program while being actively involved in community work.

McMann majored in art history and maintained a 3.71 GPA. He was also a member of the Honors College.

McMann was active in promoting the arts through his work with *La Pittura*, a student arts organization he helped establish.

The Wilson Awards were first presented in 1965 and are named for the donors of the land which has been used to develop OU. Past nominees have represented nearly all academic disciplines and most extracurricular activities.



1964

Paul A. Turk has been named western editorial director to represent Interavia USA aerospace and defense publications in western North America. Paul is a veteran aerospace journalist and will cover aerospace and defense matters for his firm's daily *Air Letter* and its two monthly magazines: the defense technology oriented *International Defense Review* and the *Interavia Aerospace Review*. His base of operation is Los Angeles, CA.

1968

Eileen Goldman has been appointed director of the American Cancer Society's Miller-Bunting Program. This program is unique to San Francisco and provides home care for terminally ill cancer patients and food and lodging for families of patients who require cancer treatment available only in San Francisco.

1970

Leslie G. Griffen is a corporate employment relations manager with GTE Sprint Communications Corporation in Burlingame, CA.

Mark Kotler, treasurer of the OUAA Board of Directors, was married May 20, 1984, to Ruth Marie Hellner at the home of fellow alumni, Daniel and Miriam Medow, Huntington Woods. They honeymooned in San Diego, CA.

Donna (Kay) Ring is working with the U.S. Social Security Department in Passaic, NJ. She has one son, Wyatt, who is nine years old.

1972

Edward H. Nelson, a graduate of the OU music program, is now working with the Michigan Council for the Arts.

Dennis Janowski was appointed vice president, funds management department of Comerica Bank-Detroit. Dennis joined the bank in 1973 and has held positions of increasing responsibility since then.

1973

Maurice Groce was recently promoted to supervisor, industrial engineering, at Rochester Products in Grand Rapids, MI. His firm is a division of General Motors.

1975

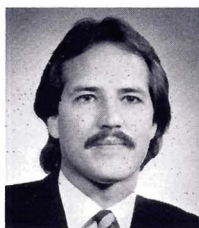
Ann Dulas Arner, past president of the OUAA and the 1981 recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Service Award, has been promoted to manager, Information Systems Technical Educational Center, Michigan Bell Telephone.

1977

Andrea Kendrick-Williams returned to Oakland University this spring as an orientation coordinator in the Office of Academic Advising. She also serves Oakland on a voluntary basis as a member of the OU Alumni Association Board of Directors and the Black Alumni Association.

1978

Phillip T.A. Foley advises us of his recent marriage. He and his wife, Lorraine, reside in Key Largo, FL, where Phil is Upper Keys News Director for the *Krynoter*, a Knight-Ridder publication, and Lorraine is vice president for sales of Account Executive Bob Glassman Design Associates, a corporate graphic design studio.



HENNINGER



JANOWSKI



NELLIS

Claudia (Facchinei) Patterson is employed as regional employment relations manager for GTE Sprint Communications Corporation based in Birmingham, MI.

1980

Fran Amos, celebrating 25 years with Michigan Bell Telephone Company, was promoted to assistant staff manager of Michigan Bell's Treasury Department. Her new responsibility is business research and analytical support which provides data processing services for the market research activities of the firm's several divisions. Amos is immediate past president of the OU School of Economics and Management Alumni Association and chaired this year's affiliate annual meeting at the Pontiac Silverdome.

Michael T. Johnson received the doctor of osteopathy (D.O.) degree June 4 during commencement exercises at the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kirksville, MO. While a student at KCOM, he was a member of the Student Osteopathic Medical Association; Undergraduate Chapter of the American College of General Practitioners in Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery; and the Sports Medicine Club.

Karey (Nicholson) Marvin, employed by Saint Joseph County, Indiana Probate Court's Juvenile Division, was promoted this year to Level III probation officer. She and her husband, William Marvin, make their home near South Bend, Indiana. **John R. Nellis** has been named a Syntex professional medical representative. He will provide health care professionals in the Pontiac, MI, area with medical background and usage information on Syntex pharmaceutical products.

Kenneth R. Schleicher currently is working as a psychiatric social worker while he attends Wayne State University as an MSW candidate.

IN MEMORIAM

Ricky J. Taggart '82, died in March of this year following a brief illness. He was very active while at Oakland and was the founder of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

1981

Joseph R. Henninger has broken two sales records for Inacomp Computer Centers: first, for selling \$1 million worth of computer equipment in 1983; second, for his December 1983 sales of \$200,000. **Beverly Steffens** is employed by General Motors and is working in the Pontiac Motor Division—sales force in Houston, TX.

1983

Ronald L. Jaeger is working as financial manager for FEC Inc., a Madison Heights subsidiary of the Tokyo-based firm.

In Pursuit Of Trivia

The Alumni Association would like to play an OU version of "Trivia Pursuit." You are invited to send questions (and the answers) about obscure details relating to Oakland University and its history. Puzzling photographs are also welcome (and will be returned.)

The questions, answers and old photographs will be compiled in a booklet and a contest will be announced at a later date. The game will be played in conjunction with Oakland University's 25th anniversary. When you send the trivia, please include the form below.

Detach and mail to: Oakland University Alumni Association, 266 South Foundation Hall, Rochester, MI 48063.

Name

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

OU Graduate ☐ Yes ☐ No

Year Graduated _____

(Please include trivia and photos with this form.)

CALENDAR

AUGUST

Alumni Night at Meadow Brook Festival

Lou Rawls Performance August 3

Concours d'Elegance

Meadow Brook Hall August 5

Oakland University Alumni Association

Business Meeting, Lounge II, Oakland Center August 6

Meadow Brook Festival Women's Committee Fashion Extravaganza

Baldwin Pavilion August 15

OU Board of Trustees

Business Meeting, Lounge II, Oakland Center August 15*

Art in the Courtyard

Meadow Brook Hall August 18, 19

President's Club Annual Dinner Meeting

Meadow Brook Hall August 22

Fall Semester Registration August 28-30

SEPTEMBER

Oakland University Alumni Association

Business Meeting, Oakland Room, Oakland Center September 3

Fall Semester classes begin September 4

Friends of the Kresge Library Glyndebourne Picnic

Meadow Brook Hall September 8

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Campus September 23

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Meadow Brook Art Gallery September 23 - October 14

Meadow Brook Theatre Guild "Luncheon on the Aisle"

Meadow Brook Theatre September 28

*Subject to Change

SAVE THE DATES

President's Club Christmas Reception December 2



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