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Governor John Engler joins President Sandra Packard and Stephan Sharf, vice chairperson of the university Board of Trustees, at the official ground-breaking ceremony for the new science and engineering complex. An audience of students, staff and faculty heard speakers laud the value of the new complex to the future of Michigan and higher education. The event was held inside Dodge Hall due to the weather. For further details about the ceremony, please turn to page 3.

Get the Inside View on University Workings

The best way to learn what's going on within the university is to gain insight.

That's the idea behind the new Oakland University Insight series that begins at noon October 19 in the Oakland Center Crockery. The regular series will highlight a different division within the university, with experts informing the community of its goals and objectives.

First up is the Division of Academic Affairs. Vice President Gary Russi and selected academic deans will outline their plans. Time will be allowed for questions from the audience.

The purpose of the Oakland University Insight series is to provide a forum for students, faculty and staff to learn about the current state of university affairs. It will also foster an atmosphere of openness and accessibility, with administrators available to answer questions.

The next scheduled presentations are November 9 by the Division of Finance and Administration and January 11 by the Division of Student Affairs. Details about those and other presentations will be announced.

Persons attending may bring their lunch. Seating will be around tables.▼

Language Lab Offers Latest in Technological-Teaching Facilities

A new language lab, complete with the latest technological teaching aids, is open for business in Wilson Hall.

The College of Arts and Sciences formally dedicated the facility October 8. The new lab contains 30 study carrels that can be used for individual study or classroom instruction. Each station contains a video monitor and headset.

The list of improvements over the old lab, which was also in 409 Wilson, is extensive. The new equipment includes VCRs, video disc players, special projectors and a set of computers for interactive instruction. The lab also has a multimedia computer that allows users to see and words and pictures with dialogue, show and create movies, and all sorts of advanced wizardry.

"It's going to be a long time before I figure out all the things that we can do in this lab," joked Christopher Clason, assistant professor of German and director of the lab. He led tours of the new facility for faculty members and guests from the McGregor Foundation, which provided \$256,500 for renovating the lab and providing salary support for two new instructors in Japanese and Russian.

President Sandra Packard commented that the lab will provide the university with another means of reaching out to the surrounding community. In addition to students who will use the lab, executives from businesses who do business overseas may also receive training at Oakland.

The university is exploring various collaborative ventures that will allow the university to provide instruction.

The president noted that area teachers can also benefit by improving their skills with the lab materials. Lab users not only hear the spoken language of their choice, but see people on the monitors speaking the language in natural settings. The tapes can also take students through foreign lands to get a visual image of the culture they are learning.

A major benefit of the lab is its one-on-one instruction. University instructors may use the lab as a classroom, too, giving all students the same lesson at once, or playing different selections for groups of students.

During the last academic year, 2,071 students were enrolled in modern languages courses, said John Urice, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. He added that the ability to serve the neighboring community through the lab, demonstrates "the spirit of Oakland University" in action.

Renate Gerualaitis, professor of German, credited Clason and David Downing, associate dean of the college, for their work in obtaining the McGregor grant and overseeing the lab renovation.

University personnel from Campus Facilities and Operations designed and constructed the lab.▼

U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT PUBLICATIONS: Oakland Among Best Buys

Oakland University is again rated among America's best buys for college by *U.S. News & World Report* magazine.

In its *America's Best Colleges* guide, Oakland is grouped among the top 33 of Midwestern colleges and universities. The schools in each ranking are listed alphabetically only. In compiling the list, the editors considered academic reputation, ACT and SAT scores, the number of first-year students in the top 25 percent of their high school class, acceptance rate, student-faculty ratio, retention and graduation rates, and cost.

In a separate ranking by *U.S. News & World Report* for its weekly magazine, Oakland is listed among "best college values." This is the first such analysis based on a school's "discounted" price, which takes into account the financial aid awards granted to incoming students. The other method was "sticker price."

Among the discount tuition values for the top 10 regional universities, Oakland is listed with Calvin College, Central College, College of St. Benedict (Minnesota), Concordia College at Moorhead, Illinois Wesleyan, Millikin University (Illinois), St. Norbert College (Wisconsin), University of Evansville (Indiana) and Valparaiso University (Indiana).

Based on best sticker value, Oakland is listed with Calvin, Central College, Concordia College at Moorhead, Creighton University (Nebraska), DePaul University (Illinois), Drury College

(Missouri), Illinois Wesleyan, Michigan Tech and Valparaiso University.

Also out are figures for fall enrollment from the Office of the Registrar. The news is a mixed bag: The figures are both up and down.

Total headcount for the fall semester is 12,895, down from the all-time record of 13,068 recorded in 1992. However, the total credits being taken by students is up, from 123,830 in fall 1992 to 124,320 this year. The number of fiscal-year equated students is also up, from 4135.04 in 1992 to 4,146.06 this fall.

The credits-delivered number is significant, because it means that although there are slightly fewer students on campus, they are continuing to take a heavy load of classes. The number of full-time students is also up slightly, from 6,963 in 1992 to 7,029 this fall.

By school and college, the College of Arts and Sciences has the largest enrollment, with 3,472 students this fall, off from 3,706 in 1992. Others with declines: the School of Education and Human Services (2,347 from 2,449) and the School of Business Administration (1,855 from 2,060).

Increases were recorded in the School of Engineering and Computer Science (from 1,300 to 1,392), the School of Nursing (1,029 to 1,035) and the School of Health Sciences (733 to 892). Also up were the "university programs" category, which includes Bachelor of General Studies students and some undecided majors (1,231 to 1,346) and all other students who did not declare a major (551 to 556).▼

Chrysler Chief Executive Robert Eaton to Speak on Future of Auto Industry

Robert J. Eaton, chairman and chief operating officer of Chrysler Corp., will offer his insights on *The View from Detroit: The Automobile Industry in the '90s* at the annual School of Business Administration Business Forum on October 21.

The forum is expected to draw more than 800 guests from business and industry and the general public to the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion.

Tickets are \$30 each with a corporate table of 10 available for \$275. For reservations call 370-3286.

Eaton joined Chrysler on March 16, 1992, as vice chairman and chief operating officer and as a member of the company's Board of Directors. He was elected chairman and chief executive officer this past January 1. Prior to joining Chrysler, he held a number of positions at General Motors, which he joined in 1963 as a col-

lege graduate-in-training with Chevrolet Motor Division's Engineering Center in Warren. His most recent position at General Motors was as president of GM Europe, a position which he had held since June 1988.

Sponsoring this year's forum with the SBA is the Student Life Office and the Division of Student Affairs. At 2:30 p.m. in the Oakland Center Crockery, Eaton will give a free talk to students.

Collaborating throughout the series has been the SBA Student Board, representing Alpha Kappa Psi Fraternity, the American Marketing Association, the American Production and Inventory Control Society, Oakland Accounting Students Information Society, Finance Club, Management Information Systems Club, Society for Human Resource Management, Economics Society and the MBA Association.▼



Tuned in to the World
Students use the new laboratory in Wilson Hall to practice their foreign language skills. Individual consoles that include a video monitor and tape player allow users to learn at their own pace. The lab can also be used for class instruction. Funds for the lab and new equipment came from the McGregor Foundation.

Task Forces Seek Public Comment on Preliminary Reports

Reports from six of the university Strategic Planning Task Forces are now available for inspection and public comment.

Suzanne Frankie, dean of Kresge Library and chairperson of the Strategic Planning Steering Committee, said the university community may review the reports and attend public hearings to offer comments and suggestions.

The purpose of the hearings, however, is not to debate the merits of the reports. Persons who wish to speak at the hearings should contact the chairperson of the task force in advance. Individuals will be allowed a maximum of 10 minutes to address issues. Presenters should also provide the task force with five copies of a one- to two-page summary of their comments.

Copies of the reports are on reserve at the library and are available in each of the dean's offices, at CIPO in the Oakland Center, the Resi-

dence Halls Office, 448 Hamlin Hall, and in the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, 157 NFH.

Once the hearings are completed, the task forces will revise the draft reports and then submit final reports to the Steering Committee.

The university community is invited to attend any of these hearings:

- Excellence and Distinction Task Force, chaired by Liz Barclay, will meet from 10 a.m.-noon October 15 in 479 Varner Hall.

- Campus Family Task Force, chaired by Jennifer Gilroy, will meet from noon-1:30 p.m. October 18 in the Oakland Center East Crockery.

- Student Development Task Force, chaired by Katie Kazarian, will hold two hearings on October 20, from noon-1:30 p.m. in OC Gold Room C, and from 5-6:30 p.m. in the OC Crockery Alcove.

- Graduate Education Task Force, chaired by George Gamboa, will meet from 3-5 p.m. October 22 in 479 Varner Hall.

- Community Outreach Task Force, chaired by Jim Clatworthy, will meet from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. October 26 in the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge.

- Undergraduate Education Task Force, chaired by David Lau, will meet from noon-2 p.m. October 26 in 100 Kresge Library.

The task force timetable calls for each task force to make a presentation to a joint meeting of the Steering Committee, the Authorship Committee and the president in November.

Once all reports have been reviewed, the Steering Committee will draft the strategic plan for the president and Authorship Committee for review and further drafts.

In January, the final strategic plan will be submitted to the Resources Task Force for analysis. In February, the Steering Committee will prepare the final plan and submit it to the president and University Senate for action.

In March, the university Board of Trustees will receive the final report for consideration. If the board accepts the report, perhaps at its April or May meeting, campus implementation will follow.▼

Payroll Department Can Make Life Easy for You

If you're tired of making a mad dash to the bank on payday, you might want to consider having your check deposited directly into your account instead.

Barbara Gaves, payroll manager, reminds employees who receive a monthly paycheck that they may have the check deposited directly into checking or savings accounts through an electronic funds transfer.

The university's Human Resource Computer System allows an EFT of net pay to any financial institution participating in the Michigan Automated Clearing House Association.

Direct deposit also eliminates the danger of your check being lost or stolen.

Enrollment forms are available at the Payroll Office, 114 NFH. When you enroll, bring a letter from your financial institution that provides the name of the institution, its ABA number, your name and account number, and a statement verifying the institution's participation in MACHA.

The deadline for enrolling is the 15th of each month, except November and December when special deadlines are announced. Implementation of a new direct deposit requires a one-

month delay for notification of deposit to the MACHA system. Changes to an existing direct deposit may also require a notification to MACHA.

If notification is required, you will receive a regular paycheck for the month when the change is processed.

Monthly paid employees whose last name begins with A-K may call Marlene York, 370-3472. All others may call Linda VanNatta at 370-3473.▼

Two Homes for Rent

Two homes in the Meadow Brook Subdivision are available for rent through the Department of Risk Management and Contracting.

One is a 1,986-square-foot tri-level with four bedrooms, two bathrooms, a family room with fireplace, central air conditioning, and an attached two-car garage.

The other is a 1,458-square-foot colonial home with three bedrooms, 1.5 baths, a finished basement and an attached two-car garage.

If interested in either home, call Kate Lark at 370-4196.▼

Chamber Concert Features Faculty Voices

A chamber vocal concert featuring songs by Beethoven and Massenet is coming up at 8 p.m. October 30 in Varner Recital Hall.

The concert, sponsored by the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance, will feature basso John Paul White, associate professor and head of the vocal program; sopranos Jan Albright and Edith Diggory of the department; and tenor Robert D. Bracey, assistant professor at Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

The program, *From the Scottish Highlands to the French Countryside*, will include a group of charming and unexpected Scottish folk songs arranged by Beethoven, a cycle of French songs for vocal quartet by Massenet—including *Chansons des Bois de l'Amarante*—and solos depicting the nature and beauty of the French countryside by Duparc, Faure, Flegier and Canteloube.

Accompanying the vocalists will be pianist David Wilson, violinist Elizabeth Rowin and

Detroit Symphony Orchestra cellist Robert Bergman.

Robert D. Bracey won the 1991 District New York Metropolitan Opera Auditions in Detroit and the 1992 University of Michigan Concerto Competition. He has sung with numerous organizations throughout the Midwest.

Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$8 for senior citizens, and \$5 for students. They may be purchased through the MTD box office at 370-3013. Persons who need special assistance to attend the performance should call the box office in advance.▼

Of Distinction ...

Items about professional activities or honors from anyone within the university community may be sent to the Publications Department, 109 NFH. Items run as space permits. Persons with E-mail capabilities are encouraged to send their items to:

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Harold Zepelin, psychology, authored three articles that appear in the *Encyclopedia of Sleep and Dreaming*, published by Macmillan. The articles are on *Evolution of Sleep*, *Mammals and Internal Alarm Clock*.

Susan Baker, rhetoric, communications and journalism, participated in the *Family and Inter-cultural Communication Panel* at the Michigan

Association of Speech Communication Conference in Flint.

Hoda Abdel-Aty-Zohdy, engineering, and adviser to the Society of Women Engineers, reports the group has elected student leaders for the new academic year. They are **Brenda Roberts**, president; **Shawn Sanom**, vice president; **Michele Canale**, secretary; **Michelle Rachuk**, secretary; and **Alicia Sopala**, treasurer. Sanom, Canale and Rachuk attended the Society of Women Engineers national convention in Chicago. The conference theme was *Gear Up 2000: Women in Motion*. The campus chapter is now accepting applications for its scholarships.

The scholarships are based on student involvement, short essays and GPA.

Roberta Schwartz, journalism, was selected to attend the Journalism Educators Seminar of the American Press Institute in Washington, D.C. The group toured the *USA Today* headquarters and heard an address by editor Peter Pritchard. Schwartz also contributed columns to the *Oakland Press*, *Observer & Eccentric* newspapers, the *Midland Daily News* and the *Detroit Free Press* concerning President John F. Kennedy. She also wrote and delivered editorials on the 30th anniversary of Kennedy's death for WXYZ-TV and WJBK-TV. Schwartz worked for United Press International during Kennedy's presidency.

George Stevens, business administration, was a panelist at the Society of Manufacturing Engineers Accreditation Criteria Development Conference in Dearborn. He provided an overview of the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business accreditation process and also described the role of outcome-assessment in continuous improvement efforts.

Ravi Parameswaran, management and marketing, has been invited to present a seminar on *India: Your Competitive Advantage*, at the World Trade Club of the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce. The seminar is cosponsored by the Ford Motor Co. and the Consulate General of India in Chicago.

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Funding Opportunities

Details about external sources of funding are available from the Office of Research and Academic Development, 370 SFH. For details, call 370-3222.

Department of Agriculture

The National Competitive Research Initiative Grants Program invites applications for agricultural sciences and related environmental sciences projects. Deadlines are November 15 for improving human nutrition for optimal health; November 22 for plant genome and plant genetic mechanisms; December 6 for forest/range/crop/aquatic ecosystems, pathology and weed science; December 13 for plant responses to the environment and improving reproductive efficiency; December 20 for photosynthesis and respiration; January 18 for sustaining animal health and well-being; January 24 for soils and soil biology, food characterization/process/product research and nonfood characterization/process/product research; January 31 for plant growth and development; February 7 for markets and trade and rural development; February 14 for improved use of wood and wood fiber, nitrogen fixation/nitrogen metabolism and ensuring food safety; February 22 for research career enhancement awards, equipment grants and seed grants; and March 6 for improving animal growth and development and identifying genetic mechanisms and gene mapping. **NASA**

The agency seeks collaborative proposals for developing new high-performance computers. Academic institutions may be one of the parties involved. Approximately \$25 million is available. November 30 deadline.

Health Resources and Services Administration

The administration invites applications for projects to provide nursing education opportunities for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. December 1 deadline.

Department of Education

Applications for field-initiated studies to advance education theory and practice are invited. December 10 deadline.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

The foundation's Changes in Health Care Financing and Organization Program invites proposals for research, and demonstration and evaluation projects to examine major changes in health-care financing. The foundation supports projects that examine the effects of health-care financing on service costs, examine access and quality, and develop and test new ways to finance care that may render health services more accessible and affordable. Grants support project staff salaries, consultant fees, data processing, supplies and other direct expenses, including some equipment. Up to \$12 million is appropriated for this program. March 1995 deadline.

For Your Benefit

Co/Op Optical Moves Office

The Mt. Clemens office of Co/Op Optical has moved to the Clinton Pointe Shopping Center at Gratiot and 14.5 Mile Road. The new phone number is 791-3100.

Co/Op Optical is starting a new point-of-service computer system in its offices to provide faster service. Until all offices are on line, customers are asked to bear with them during implementation.

Presentations by Retirement Counselors

Annual presentations by representatives of

TIAA/CREF and Fidelity Investments are planned for October.

The TIAA/CREF representative will visit Oakland on October 19 from 9-10:30 a.m. in 128-130 Oakland Center and from 1:15-2:15 p.m. in OC Lounge II. On October 20, the representative will field questions from 9-10:30 a.m. and 1:15-2:15 p.m. in OC Gold Room A.

The Fidelity representative will be on campus from 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m. and 1:15-2:15 p.m. October 26 in OC Gold Room A. On October 27, the sessions will be the same hours in 128-130 OC.

Diana Decker, staff benefits manager, says, "Regardless of your age or how long you have been in the plan, please try to attend a session for each of the carriers. By attending the annual presentations, you will learn of the latest changes and any new options added to the plans."

Learning to Manage Change

The Office of Staff Development is sponsoring a staff training seminar on *Managing Change in Higher Education* for all faculty and staff.

The seminar will run from 9 a.m.-noon and 2-5 p.m. October 19 in the Oakland Center. Elizabeth Poage Baxter, human resource associate from the University of Michigan, will conduct the seminar.

This seminar will address an important element in change management, "handling resistance." Participants will learn what causes resistance, strategies for dealing with it, and how to help the staff through it. Managers and supervisors who are experiencing change will learn strategies to change negativism and lack of cooperation into commitment and enthusiasm, and steps to employ for handling the most difficult cases.

To register, stop by the Staff Development Office, 144A NFH, or call Ed Perez at 370-3492. **Jobs**

Information about job openings is available from the Employee Relations Department, 140 NFH, or by calling the Job Hotline at 370-4500.

- Director, AP-10, Office of Minority Equity
- Assistant to the vice president, educational facilities planner, miscellaneous, Office of Finance and Administration
- Financial aid officer, AP-8, Office of Financial Aid
- Computer technologist, AP-6, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- Financial systems administrator/chief accountant, AP-10, Accounting Office
- Senior systems analyst, AP-11, Office of Computer and Information Services
- Food handler I (five positions), AFSCME, Food Service
- Clerk III, C-5, Office of Financial Aid

Reaching Us

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Quote

"You grow up the day you have the first real laugh — at yourself."

— Ethel Barrymore

Bits & Pieces

See What's Fashionable

Oakland staff and students will model fashions from Jacobson's at the annual Women of Oakland University Fall Fashion Show.

The show and luncheon begins at noon October 19 in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms.

At the fashion show, recipients of the WOU Critical Difference Scholarship will be introduced. The show is free to WOU members and \$5 for guests. Guests may pay at the door, but should make reservations by calling Rhonda Saunders at 370-3179.

The fashion show begins another season of WOU activities that include Brown Bag lunches on Tuesdays with various speakers.

Faculty, staff and students may join WOU for a \$12 membership fee. For membership information, call Rosemary Mitchell at 370-2488.

Exploring Mentor Models

The campus chapter of ACE-NIP will present *STARS and WRITE* at its Professional Women's Breakfast program from 7:30-9 a.m. October 20 in 128-130 Oakland Center.

STARS and WRITE are two mentoring programs designed to facilitate the professional growth and enhancement of faculty members, particularly as they progress through the tenure and promotion process. This is a model that all professionals can adapt to their own needs.

Presenters are Joyce Eckart, Sarah Gibson and Eric Follo, all associate professors in the Department of Curriculum, Instruction and Leadership.

Interested persons should call Lisa McGill at 370-3570 to register.

Lecture Focuses on Costumes

An illustrated lecture and demonstration of *A Thousand Years of Ancient Roman Costumes* will mark the eighth annual Fred M. Braun Lecture Series in Art and Art History.

Adjunct Professor Norma Goldman of the Wayne State University College of Lifelong Learning will present the free talk at 7:30 p.m. November 6 in 124 Wilson Hall. A reception will follow.

Goldman is a professor of Latin and a scholar of ancient Roman culture. She is a member of the Classical Society of the American Academy in Rome, the Detroit Classical Society and the Archaeological Institute of America. She is coauthor of the forthcoming *The Lamps of Cosa and Reconstructing Ancient Roman Culture*, and *Ancient Roman Footwear*. Her lecture will include slides and costumes that she has reproduced from ancient paintings, mosaics and sculptures.

The lecture is sponsored by the Fred M. Braun Memorial Fund, with additional support from the Department of Art and Art History.

Get Jump on 'Les Miz' Tickets

Discounted tickets are available for *Les Miserables* at the Fisher Theatre.

Tickets for the 2 p.m. December 19 performance are \$28 (side lower balcony) and \$16 (upper balcony). For the 8 p.m. January 2 performance, they are \$35 (center lower balcony) and \$16 for the balcony. Only the balcony seats are discounted for January 2.

At the Fox Theatre, you can see the Bolshoi Ballet at 1 p.m. November 7 for \$20. For the 8 p.m. November 11 performance of the *Radio City Music Hall Spectacular* with the Rockettes, tickets are \$22.50. Prices for both shows are \$5 off regular price, and all seats are lower balcony.

Tickets can be purchased through Pat Nicosia in the budget office. Mail a check payable to him at the budget office, 104 NFH. If calling for information, use his home number, 375-0419.

Ground Breaking Unearths Wealth of Optimism

When you hold a ground-breaking ceremony indoors, there's only one thing you can't do: dig deep.

With that in mind, President Sandra Packard, Governor John Engler and Stephan Sharf, vice chairperson of the university Board of Trustees, gingerly turned shovels of earth from a large planter on an auditorium stage in Dodge Hall, where the ceremony had been moved due to uncooperative weather. An appreciative overflow audience on October 1 was on hand to witness the historic event that signals the official start of the new science and engineering complex. Actual construction will begin in a few months, with project completion targeted for 1996.

It was 34 years to the day from the ground-breaking ceremony held for North and South Foundation halls. Even two of the shovels themselves were significant. One was used for the ground-breaking of Meadow Brook Hall in 1926

and a second was part of the ceremony that officials from Michigan State University used in 1958 for the formal ground-breaking of Oakland itself.

"Since our founding 35 years ago, we have become an important part of the southeast Michigan community, and serving this community has become the focus of our mission," the president said.

"We have been steadfast in our commitment to provide an education to area students that is both educationally rigorous and personal, and to provide research that is both relevant to real-world problems and far-sighted in its long-term contributions.

"Second best was never good enough for Oakland University, nor is it good enough for Oakland County or the state of Michigan. The core of our growth and success has been the high expectations we have placed on ourselves to serve you well."



Open Wide!

Kate Lark, of risk management and contracting, skillfully balances a morsel for daughter Martha during the faculty and staff appreciation dinner on October 8 hosted by President Sandra Packard. Nearly 800 employees and family members signed up for the dinner, held outdoors near Beer Lake under perfect weather conditions.

Accounting Chapter Receives 'Superior' Status

The Oakland University Chapter of Beta Alpha Psi, the national professional accounting honorary society, has been recognized as a "superior chapter" by the organization's national council.

Beta Alpha Psi is a national scholastic and professional accounting fraternity. Its primary objective is to encourage and recognize scholastic and professional excellence in the field of accounting.

Superior chapter status is the highest honor awarded. To receive the award, a chapter and its members must plan and accomplish an extensive program of professional development and community service activities.

The Oakland chapter received the award at the national meeting of Beta Alpha Psi in San

Francisco. The award was for the 1992-93 program year.

"All chapter members worked extremely hard to achieve their goal. In particular, the chapter officers were quite busy," said Gadis Dillon, faculty adviser.

During the program year the chapter officers were Brian Vollmar, president (entire year); Shari Herbert, reporting secretary (entire year); Ann Scrivano, vice president (fall semester); Candace Johnston, vice president (winter semester); Laurie Mitchell, recording secretary (fall semester); Kelly Pawlak, recording secretary (winter semester); Alice Mah, treasurer (fall semester); and Amy Root, treasurer (winter semester).▼



Oscar and Dee Dee Feldman stand with a Charles Culver drawing from their collection that is on display at Meadow Brook Art Gallery. The couple participated in an opening reception for the exhibit. A drawing donated by Florence Culver will be given away on November 21. Tickets for the raffle are available at the gallery. For details, call 370-3005.

The governor, state representatives and senators, county and local government officials, and other invited guests joined the university community at the event. Among them was L. Brooks Patterson, former university trustee and now Oakland County executive.

Governor Engler remarked that the purpose of the building fits well with the state's goals.

"When you think about the topics — physics, chemistry, mathematics that students will be learning in this new building — those are exactly the skills that graduates are going to need for the very critical jobs Michigan needs in the 21st century. Those are the skills these graduates will need for employment throughout their lives, to be able to move as many will increasingly do in the work place of the future, from different opportunity to different opportunity on several occasions. This is an important commitment to our young people — our students — and to our community.

"There's no question in my mind, and I think there's no question in the academic community's mind that this university already ranks with the best in the world. I think that with the new facility, Oakland University will continue to move forward and make its mark, to improve on its impressive record of science, teaching and research."

The governor added that persons of all ages will benefit from the new building as many individuals return to campus to further their education and advance in their occupations.

"I'm very proud to be here to note the past achievements of Oakland University and to recognize the opportunity for impressive new achievements as we go forward. Our challenge is to help continue Oakland University's excellent record of growth, quality and commitment to higher learning in the surrounding community."▼

Speaker to Discuss CIM at Chrysler Center

Inyong Ham, director of the Manufacturing Research Center at Penn State University, will discuss the evolution and future perspectives of computer-integrated manufacturing in a lecture on November 16 at the Chrysler Technology Center Auditorium.

The 6 p.m. presentation is sponsored by Chrysler Corp., Oakland University and Oakland Community College. The program is free to all interested persons and is the second collaborative lecture sponsored by the three units.

Ham's fields of interest are optimization of manufacturing conditions, applications of group technology, manufacturing systems engineering and computer-integrated manufacturing.

The speaker has co-authored two books and contributed chapters to several handbooks, and published and presented more than 140 technical papers.▼

A Peek into the Future

A glimpse of future technology and how it will affect what you see in movies and on television is the focus of the seventh annual Hammerle Lecture.

The School of Engineering and Computer Science is presenting Glorianna Davenport of Massachusetts Institute of Technology at 3:30 p.m. October 28 in 201 Dodge Hall.

Davenport will speak on *Cybernetic Storytelling*. The lecture is free and open to everyone.

As Davenport envisions it, the technology of your TV will "learn" the programs you like to see, remember what news and features interest you, and store them for you to watch at your convenience.

This is just the beginning of the revolution in digital communications, as the speaker will outline. Professor Davenport is a leading researcher, helping this new generation of cybernetic storytellers to adapt their message to fit the personal desires of the audience.

Davenport is an associate professor of media technology in the Media Sciences Program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She also directs the Interactive Cinema Group at the MIT Media Laboratory. Her specialty is studying the evolving field of digital communications, sometimes referred to as "cybernetic storytelling."

Storytellers have exploited technological advances — print, motion pictures and now computers — to get their message across. Now in the digital era, Davenport helps this new generation of cybernetic storytellers to systematically use a variety of techniques to determine what an audience likes in relation to the story and to adapt them to the audience's liking.

The annual Hammerle Lecture Series is named in honor of the late William G. Hammerle, a founding professor of engineering who died in 1986. The series brings lecturers to Oakland who reflect Hammerle's fresh and creative approaches to solving challenging problems. It is sponsored by the William G. Hammerle endowment, the SECS and the SECS Alumni Affiliate.▼



Paws with a Cause member Gail Lecznar shows how dogs like Joker can help the disabled with household chores at a demonstration in the Oakland Center. Joker is giving Lecznar a pill bottle. The nonprofit agency trains dogs to do a multitude of tasks to help disabled persons lead independent lives.

Meadow Brook Theatre Serves a Strong Cup of Joe

Forget caffeine. When black coffee contains murder, blackmail and suspense, you know this isn't your typical mug of Maxwell House.

In fact, it's Agatha Christie's *Black Coffee* at Meadow Brook Theatre from October 28 through November 21.

The mystery begins as Sir Claud Amory, a wealthy physicist who has produced a formula for the atomic bomb, is murdered. Someone poisoned his cup of black coffee.

The task of discovering the culprit is given to ace detective Hercule Poirot, who must sort through a long list of suspects, including jilted family members, mistreated servants and a blackmailer.

Written in 1931, *Black Coffee* is just one of the many works to come from one of this century's most prolific and popular writers. During her career, Christie authored 94 books, 83 detective stories, six novels under the name of Mary Westcott, two poems and an autobiography.

Christie works which have appeared at Meadow Brook in recent seasons include *Ten Little Indians* and *The Mousetrap*.

Meadow Brook's production of *Black Coffee* features Eric Tavares as legendary sleuth Hercule Poirot, Yolanda Lloyd Delgado as prime suspect Lucia Amory and Paul Hopper as the mysterious Dr. Carelli.

Others in the cast include James Anthony, Mary Bensen, David Duchene, Tamara Evans,

Bill MacKenzie, Thomas A. Mahard, Joseph Reed, Lance A. Retallick and Alexander Webb.

Black Coffee will be the 83rd play directed by Meadow Brook's artistic director, Terence Kilburn. Robert Herrle is the stage manager,

set design and costumes are by Peter W. Hicks, lighting is by Reid G. Johnson and sound is by Brett E. Rominger.

Ticket information is available through the Meadow Brook box office at 370-3300. Tickets may also be obtained at any TicketMaster outlet or by phone at 645-6666.▼

Faculty Personnel / Grant Decisions

The following personnel actions within the faculty and grants for research were presented to the Board of Trustees at its October meeting.

Administrative appointment

- **Susan Hawkins**, acting chairperson, Department of English, effective August 15, 1993 through August 14, 1994.

Leaves

- **Christine Pillow**, special instructor in physical therapy, leave from August 30, 1993 through April 27, 1994.
- **David Sidaway**, special instructor in accounting, leave from August 15, 1992 through December 31, 1993.
- **Carl F. Barnes, Jr.**, professor of art history and archaeology, sabbatical leave from August 31, 1993 through December 18, 1993.
- **Robert Payne**, associate professor of education and chairperson, Department of Human Resource Development, leave from September 20, 1993 through October 20, 1993.

Grants

- To **Carol Zenas**, associate professor of nursing and acting dean, School of Nursing, \$131,341 from the Health Resources and Services Administration for *Nurse Anesthetist Education Programs*. Also, \$22,247 from the National Institutes of Health for *Professional Nurse Traineeship*.
- To **Maria Bryant**, assistant professor of chemistry, \$60,402 from the Southern Illinois University and the National Institutes of Health for *Contribution of Election Correlation to H-Bonds*.
- To **Ronald Hansen**, professor of psychology, \$73,766 from the National Institutes of Health for *Cognitive Emotive Processes: Investigating Repression*.

- To **Sitaramayya Ari**, associate professor of biomedical sciences, Eye Research Institute, \$210,517 from the National Institutes of Health for *Guanylate Cyclases in Rod Photoreceptor*.
- To **Denis Callewaert**, professor of chemistry, \$122,552 from the National Institutes of Health for *Regulation of the Recycling of Cytotoxic Lymphocytes*.
- To **Beverly Berger**, professor of physics, \$41,200 from the National Science Foundation for *RUI: Studies in Classical and Quantum Gravity*.
- To **Joyce Esterberg**, \$4,376 from Oakland County for Probate Court/Field Services Intensive Probation Program. Also, \$4,000 from the state for *BOC Mentoring Program*, and \$62,824 from the state for *Balance of Oakland County Postsecondary Outreach Program*.
- To **Frank Giblin**, associate professor of biomedical sciences, Eye Research Institute, \$14,737 from Shojin Research Associates for the *Study of Hyperbaric Oxygen Cataracts*.
- To **Venkat Reddy**, professor of biomedical sciences and director, Eye Research Institute, \$14,737 from Shojin Research Associates for *Development of the Method for Culturing Human Epithelial Cells*.
- To **Jon Yates**, assistant professor of biological sciences, \$56,168 from the University of Connecticut and the National Institutes of Health for *Molecular Biology of Human Lymphatic Filariasis*.
- To **Monifa Jumanne**, director of special programs, \$244,552 for *SSS Program — Academic Opportunity Program*.

Cowlshaw's Efforts Earn Advising Award

The chief adviser for the Department of Biological Sciences has been selected to receive a Certificate of Merit from the National Academic Advising Association.

He and other recipients were honored at the NAAA national conference held in Detroit.

"For those people at Oakland University that have a genuine appreciation of the value of good academic advising, John personifies the ideal of faculty commitment," said Virginia Allen, assistant vice president of academic affairs and director of academic services and general studies. "He acts as a bridge between departments, between students and the university, and between faculty and administrators. He does

this by virtue of who he is, not his position or job description."

Cowlshaw outlined his personal philosophy of advising. "I strongly believe in the importance of academic advisers in aiding the whole developmental process of students. Many students are at a particularly formative point in their lives. The university represents a whole new world of ideas and relationships." He added that the advising process requires the adviser to get to know students and their needs, but also to give the students room to make decisions and learn from them. "I think it is also important for advisers not to set students against their past, but to help them to expand from it."▼

Events

Persons with disabilities who need special assistance to attend any of the events listed should call the sponsoring unit, or the Office of Equal Opportunity at 370-3496.

OCTOBER

Until October 24 — Play, *The Foreigner*, at Meadow Brook Theatre. Times vary. Admission. Call 370-3300.

Until November 21 — Exhibition, *Culver's Nature: Selected Works of Animals, Birds and Plants by Charles Culver*, Meadow Brook Art Gallery. Free. Hours vary. 370-3005.

15 — Pontiac Oakland Symphony concert, *Gala Opening Night*, 8:15 p.m., Strand Theatre, Pontiac. Admission. 370-3103.

15-16 — 32nd annual Writers' Conference sponsored by the Detroit Women Writers and the Division of Continuing Education. Admission. Some early registration deadlines in effect. 370-3120.

16 — Tennis with Hillsdale College, 1 p.m., Lepley Sports Center. 370-3190.

16 — Soccer with the University of Michigan, 7 p.m., Rochester High School. Admission. 370-3190.

19 — Oakland Insights Series presentation on the Division of Academic Affairs, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Center Crockery. Brown-bag lunches welcome.

19 — Women of Oakland University Fall Fashion Show, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Center Gold Rooms. Free for members, a charge for others. 370-3112.

19 — TIAA/CREF retirement presentation, 9-10:30 a.m., 128-130 Oakland Center, and 1:15-2:15 p.m., OC Lounge II. Free. 370-3483.

19 — Alcoholics Anonymous confidential meetings, noon-1 p.m., room 11, Counseling Center, Graham Health Center.

19 — Volleyball with Saginaw Valley State University, 7:30 p.m., Lepley Sports Center. 370-3190.

20 — ACE-NIP Professional Women's Breakfast, *Stars and Write* with Joyce Eckart, Sarah Gibson and Eric Folio, 7:30-9 a.m., 128-130 Oakland Center. Admission. 370-3570.

20 — Environmental Film Series and discussion, *Chernobyl: Bitter Taste of Wormwood*, noon-1 p.m., 128 Oakland Center. Free. Sponsored by the Honors College, CIPO and the Environmental Studies Program. 370-4450.

20 — TIAA/CREF retirement presentation, 9-10:30 a.m., Oakland Center Gold Room A, and 1:15-2:15 p.m., OC Gold Room A. Free. 370-3483.

21 — OU Bible Study, noon, Oakland Center Faculty Lounge. Call Victoria Junior at 370-3480.

21 — Annual Business Forum sponsored by School of Business Administration Student Board with Robert Eaton, chairman and chief executive officer of Chrysler Corp., speaking on *The View from Detroit: The Automobile Industry in the '90s*, noon, Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion. Admission. 370-3286.

23 — Soccer with Lewis University, 2 p.m., Lepley Sports Center. Admission. 370-3190.

25-26 — Red Cross blood drive, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Oakland Center. Free. Sign-up tables in OC. 370-2020.

26 — Fidelity Investments retirement presentation, 9-10:30 a.m., Oakland Center Gold Room A, and 1:15-2:15 p.m., OC Gold Room A. Free. 370-3483.

26 — Alcoholics Anonymous confidential meetings, noon-1 p.m., room 11, Counseling Center, Graham Health Center.

26 — Volleyball with Hillsdale College, 7:30 p.m., Lepley Sports Center. 370-3190.

27 — Environmental Film Series and discussion, *Only One Earth: Fate of the Forest*, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Center Annex II. Free. Sponsored by the Honors College, CIPO and the Environmental Studies Program. 370-4450.

27 — Fidelity Investments retirement presentation, 9-10:30 a.m., 128-130 Oakland Center, and 1:15-2:15 p.m., 128-130 OC. Free. 370-3483.

27 — Soccer with Siena Heights College, 3:30 p.m., Lepley Sports Center. Admission. 370-3190.

28 through November 21 — Play, *Black Coffee*, at Meadow Brook Theatre. Times vary. Admission. Call 370-3300.

28 — OU Bible Study, noon, Oakland Center Faculty Lounge. Call Victoria Junior at 370-3480.

29 — Seminar, *Trial Practice and the Legal Assistant*, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Meadow Brook Hall. Admission. Sponsored by the Division of Continuing Education, the Legal Assistants Association of Michigan, the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel and the Michigan Trial Lawyers Association. Call 370-3120.

30 — Soccer with Tiffin University, 2 p.m., Lepley Sports Center. Admission. 370-3190.

30 — Concert, *From the Scottish Highlands to the French Countryside*, 8 p.m., Varner Recital Hall. Admission. Sponsored by Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. 370-3013.

NOVEMBER

2 — Personal appointments with TIAA/CREF retirement counselor. Call Staff Benefits Office, 370-3483, for an appointment.

2 — Alcoholics Anonymous confidential meetings, noon-1 p.m., room 11, Counseling Center, Graham Health Center.

3 — American Management Association video-conference, *Increasing Competitiveness: Rethinking the Organization*, noon-4 p.m., Varner Recital Hall. Admission. Sponsored by Division of Continuing Education and the Oakland County Chamber Division of the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce. 370-3120.

3 — Environmental Film Series and discussion, *Jungle Pharmacy*, noon-1 p.m., 128 Oakland Center. Free. Sponsored by the Honors College, CIPO and the Environmental Studies Program. 370-4450.

3 — Personal appointments with Fidelity Investments retirement counselor. Call Staff Benefits Office, 370-3483, for an appointment.

4 — OU Bible Study, noon, Oakland Center Annex II. Call Victoria Junior at 370-3480.

5 — Oakland University Concert Band, *Fall Concert*, 8 p.m., Varner Recital Hall. Sponsored by Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. Admission. 370-3013.

6 — Soccer with Mercyhurst College, 2 p.m., Lepley Sports Center. Admission. 370-3190.

6 — Eighth annual Fred M. Braun Memorial Lecture Series, *A Thousand Years of Ancient Roman Costumes*, 7:30 p.m., 124 Wilson Hall. Free. Sponsored by Fred M. Braun Memorial Fund and the Department of Art and Art History. 370-3375.

9 — Alcoholics Anonymous confidential meetings, noon-1 p.m., room 11, Counseling Center, Graham Health Center.

10 — Environmental Film Series and discussion, *Rivers of Fire, or, To the Last Drop*, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Center Annex I. Free. Sponsored by the Honors College, CIPO and the Environmental Studies Program. 370-4450.

11 — OU Bible Study, noon, Oakland Center Faculty Lounge. Call Victoria Junior at 370-3480.

12-14 — Oakland Dance Theatre, *An Evening with Shane*, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, Varner Recital Hall. Sponsored by Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. Admission. 370-3013.

16 — Alcoholics Anonymous confidential meetings, noon-1 p.m., room 11, Counseling Center, Graham Health Center.

17 — Environmental Film Series and discussion, *Big Fish, Little Fish*, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Center Annex I. Free. Sponsored by the Honors College, CIPO and the Environmental Studies Program. 370-4450.

18 — OU Bible Study, noon, Oakland Center Faculty Lounge. Call Victoria Junior at 370-3480.

18 — Afram Jazz Ensemble and Vocal Jazz Ensemble, *Jazz Through the Years*, 8 p.m., Varner Recital Hall. Sponsored by Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. Admission. 370-3013.

19 — Oakland Chorale and University Chorus, *Fall Concert*, 8 p.m., Varner Recital Hall. Admission. Sponsored by Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. 370-3013.

23 — Alcoholics Anonymous confidential meetings, noon-1 p.m., room 11, Counseling Center, Graham Health Center.

26 through December 30 — Play, *A Christmas Carol*, at Meadow Brook Theatre. Times vary. Admission. Call 370-3300.

26-28 — Play, *Inspecting Carol*, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Varner Studio Theatre. Admission. Sponsored by Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. 370-3013.

30 — Alcoholics Anonymous confidential meetings, noon-1 p.m., room 11, Counseling Center, Graham Health Center.

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