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FAST facts

• OU expert offers secrets to good health on new radio show.

On Sunday, Oct. 10, on WJR 760 AM, Fred Stransky, Ph.D., director of OU's Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute, hosted his first live broadcasted radio talk show, "The Secrets to Good Health."

The show is billed as "a provocative, no-nonsense" radio program to give listeners up-to-date information about improving their health and well-being.

Stransky will respond to phone calls on the air Sundays, 10-11 p.m. The toll-free number for callers is (800) 859-OWJR or (313) 875-4476.

• Board of Trustees Meeting.

The trustees will hold its monthly meeting at 2 p.m., Thursday in the Gold Rooms in the Oakland Center. The meeting is open to the public. Any persons wishing to address the Board should submit a request to the Office of the Board of Trustees, 203 Wilson Hall, prior to the meeting or to a representative of the Board of Trustees at the Meeting. The request should include the person's name, address and the subject matter.

• Blood Donors Needed:

The OU fall blood drive will be held from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., October 18-20 in the Gold Rooms. This year, donors who make appointments will be given free passes to Michigan's Largest Haunted Event, the Trilogy of Terror. To make your appointment, call the CSA at 370-2400 or the American Red Cross at 800-GIVE LIFE.

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Suspect banned from campus

By Kristi Twork

SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

A preliminary hearing for one of two men charged in a men's room sting operation of alleged illicit sexual activity was delayed until October 26, but he was banned from coming onto campus.

The delay was granted by 52-3 District Court Judge Ralph Nelson at the request of Douglas Schroeder, attorney for Anthony Frank Dagostino, 38, of Livonia.

Schroeder asked for the delay to review the videotapes that allegedly show his client engaging in indecent conduct.

At OU's request, Nelson banned Dagostino from entering campus.

Dagostino is charged with two felony counts of gross indecency between males, and an enhancement of that charge, sexually delinquent person. He was arraigned Friday and released on \$5,000 personal bond.

Arrest warrants were issued Thursday for Dagostino and an Auburn Hills man who were video-taped allegedly engaging in indecent activity in the men's room in South Foundation Hall.

At an informal hearing, Judge

Marie Soma approved the warrants for Dagostino and a misdemeanor count against Bryan Robert Frank, 26.

Frank is charged with a misdemeanor count of indecent exposure. He was arraigned Thursday morning and released on a \$1,000 personal bond. A plea of not guilty was entered on behalf of both men.

Dagostino has a previous conviction for indecent exposure, according to OUPD Lieutenant Mel Gilroy.

OUPD launched its investigation in May after receiving student complaints about suspicious activity and staff complaints regarding graffiti found in the second floor

men's room of SFH.

Officers conducted plainclothes observations and concluded that evidence warranted further action.

In August, a hidden camera was installed in the common area of the men's room and the two suspects were recorded on camera in separate incidents.

Officers obtained the men's identity by pursuing them on foot to their parked vehicles, recording their license plate numbers, and referencing their driver's licenses. Soma commended Scott for his work in the investigation.

According to Gilroy, others could have been charged, but the OUPD could not identify any other individuals.

Gilroy said that media coverage had likely dissuaded people who had been earlier observed in the bathrooms from returning. Unless those people were to come into contact with the OUPD for another reason, there is no means of identifying them, said Gilroy.

The Clerical and Technical Worker's Union, UAW Local 1925, filed a grievance against OU for installing the hidden cameras without notifying its members. Union president Susan Russell, said OU officials responded that all methods and procedures followed were legal. The union has 30 days to consider whether to pursue the complaint.

After receiving complaints from OU bookstore customers, who were concerned that merchandise items were not priced, The Department of Agriculture was called in to investigate. According to sources, the investigator notified the bookstore that they were in violation of the state law. The bookstore has promised to correct the situation as soon as possible. Bookstore employees are making sure that all items are properly priced.

Reena Sibayan/
The Oakland Post



Heat's off in four campus buildings

By Shajan Kay

OF THE OAKLAND POST

As long as the Indian Summer-like temperatures hold, an extra layer of clothing might not be necessary, if you have a class in Dodge Hall, Kresge Library, the Science and Engineering Building or Varner Hall.

The heat has been temporarily turned off in those buildings as workers connect the new Business and Instructional Technology building to the university's central heating system.

Though the building is still under construction, the heating pipes are in place.

Lynne Schaefer, Vice President of Finance and

Administration, distributed an advisory to OU employees via email.

The heat has been turned off in the buildings since Sunday morning and if things go according to plan, will be back on by Saturday.

According to Schaefer, staff will be walking through buildings on a regular basis to monitor temperatures.

With rain showers and a low of 58° predicted for today and a low of 36° predicted for tomorrow, people who work or have class in these buildings might want to bring a few extra layers of clothing with them just in case.

OU not immune from MSU meningitis risk

By Shajan Kay

OF THE OAKLAND POST

A Michigan State University sophomore remained hospitalized Tuesday after contracting a highly lethal form of bacterial meningitis.

This is the second time in three years that MSU has had a meningitis outbreak.

In a four month period between December 1996 and March 1997, three students were diagnosed with the disease. Two of them died.

A massive voluntary vaccination campaign was started Monday by MSU officials as a precaution.

According to Joanne Talarek, Nurse Practitioner and Coordinator of Graham Health Center, there have been OU students who have contracted the virus in the past. Neither she nor David Herman, Dean of Students,

could recall how long it has been since someone has on campus has contracted the virus.

OU students who have recently visited MSU or are concerned that they might have contracted the virus, should pay close attention to their own health.

Talarek said that symptoms of the virus include severe sudden headaches, a painful severely stiff neck, rashes and disorientation.

Talarek added that "You are only in danger if you are in close personal contact with someone who had meningitis."

The incubation period for the bacteria can be anywhere from a few days to weeks, even months.

The virus can be contracted by kissing, being sneezed on and sharing utensils.

Talarek said that students who frequent bars or smoke or drink alcohol "face statis-

tically significant increases." in contracting the virus. Talarek added that eating well and getting plenty of sleep are a good way to reduce your risk of contracting the virus.

If you are concerned that you might have contracted the virus you should contact the Graham Health Center or your own physician.

GHC has vaccines for meningitis available but only by appointment.

The Center will also be offering Flu and Hepatitis vaccines starting next Tuesday October 19 through December 7. Flu vaccines cost \$8 and Hepatitis vaccines cost \$37.

For more information on meningitis contact the Center for Disease Control website at www.cdc.gov

Senior, Shajan Kay is a human resource major, and is also the News Editor at The Oakland Post.

EDITOR'S NOTE

ATTENTION OU FACULTY AND STAFF,

From calls and comments we have received, the absence of The Oakland Post in your mailbox has been noticed but not adequately explained.

Students pay for The Oakland Post through an activities fee each semester.

For 16 of the past 23 years, OU paid a subscription fee for employees. This spring we billed OU for a portion of the unpaid years. OU declined to pay that or for this year's subscription.

We think it is unfair for students to subsidize OU's employee subscriptions.

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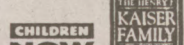
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Director: Douglas Kieve

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Director: Garry Marshall

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9:00-9:30 Registration, coffee
9:30-10:45 Movie: Unzipped
10:45-11:45 Discussion
12:00-1:00 Lunch
1:15-1:30 Introduction
1:30-3:30 Movie: Pretty Woman
3:30-4:30 Discussion
4:30-5:30 Closing Reception

For advance registration, call
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student Affairs

UPDATING OU

• **Graham Health Center** reminds you to get your flu shot. Tables at the Oakland Center will be set up from 12:00-3:00 p.m. on Oct. 19th and 26th, and Nov. 2, 5, 9, 16, 19, 23, and 30th. And on Dec. 7. The cost is only \$8.00 for the flu shot, and Hepatitis B vaccines are also going to be available at \$37.00 for the one shot. Subsequent Hep B injections are also \$37.00 and are available at **GHC**. There are 3 shots in the series. Hope to see you there.

• Did you know that current members of the Oakland University **Rec Center** can sponsor a friend for membership? For more information please call the Rec Center at 370-4732.

• **Congratulations** to the following **WOCOU** event winners:

Volleyball Madness -

Men's 3:3 : Jason Swick, Michael Wang, Mark Geisler, and Mike Kopomeyer

Women's 3:3 : Rachel Reick, Sarah Rottman, Bree Adams, and Nicole Beaudry

Co-ed 2:2 winners and the serving contest: Mark Geisler and Rachel Reick

Basketball Jam '99 winners -

Sharp Shooting: Michele Poppino and Raneto D'Aristotile

Free Throw: Michele Poppino and Thomas Tucker

3 Point: Brenetha Chapman and Thomas Tucker

Co-ed 2:2: Brenetha Chapman and Arden Boden

Men's 3:3: Reggie Daniel, Arden Boden and Aduali Alli

Co-ed Softball Winning Team: "Softball 471," captain Eddie Pevos

Congratulations to everyone who participated in our WOCOU events!

• 39 future stars of the **Rec Center** participated in the first annual **Mini Jam**. Mini Jam was planned for kids 12 and under who were willing to "show-off" their basketball and soccer skills. Each participant received a limited edition Mini Jam T-shirt. The winners received either a mini basketball or soccer ball.

• **REVISED FALL SEMESTER HOURS. Placement and Career Services CAREER RESOURCE CENTER** (154 North Foundation Hall) has revised hours as follows: Monday and Thursday 10:00-4:00 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00-6:00 p.m.; Friday 12:00-2:00 p.m. Also visit our website at <http://phoenix.placement.oakland.edu> — click on the Career Resource Center option.

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THIS WEEK

• Oakland University's **First Annual Midnight Madness** is this Friday, **October 15th at 10 p.m.**! There will be a drawing held for **two free Winter Tuition Scholarships**. For more information, contact the CSA office at x2400.

• **Campus Recreation. The Second Family F.R.E.E. Day is here!!!** Saturday, **October 16, 1999** from 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Special events include a Magic Show, Puppet Show, Balloon Artist, Line Dancing, Open Recreation and Scuba Diving demonstration. No registration required. Free to the Oakland University community.

UPCOMING EVENTS

• Mark your calendars for a great workshop - **How The Career Resource Center Can Help Me!** It will be offered on Wed., Oct. 27, 1:00 to 2:00 and again on Thurs., Oct. 28, 1:00 to 2:00 in Room 154 North Foundation Hall. **Call the Career Resource Center at 370-3263 to register.**

• Don't forget! **The Second Annual Oakland University Pep Rally** is scheduled for **November 18**. Mark your calendars!

• Coming up—on **November 22nd** will be **The Golden Key National Honor Society's Annual Induction Ceremony and Reception**.



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CRIME watch

• Harassing phone call.

A female residence hall student reported a harassing call at approximately 1 a.m., Oct. 3 from an unidentified woman. The caller began swearing at her and threatening her. When asked what was wrong, the caller stated "You know what's wrong. You slept with Jarod. He said you were a cheap piece of ass." The student told the caller she did not know Jarod, but the caller knew the student's name and phone number. When the student's former roommate was contacted, she too had no knowledge of whom "Jarod" was.

• Bambi gets blitzed.

The driver of a green Chevy Truck struck a deer that wandered onto southbound Adams Road north of Butler October 2nd. The driver was uninjured. The deer was killed.

• Parking lot bumper-cars on the rise.

In two days, three reports of minor damage to cars in the parking lots have been filed with OUPD. Incidents have been occurring in the early afternoon and evening, and involve damage to the fenders and wheel wells.

Author hopes to empower students

Provocative book title intrigues readers

By Brent Chismark
OF THE OAKLAND POST

Seventy-five OU students and faculty learned how to say the word "cunt" with pride last Wednesday at a book reading by Inga Muscio of her book *Cunt: A Declaration of Independence*.

The event, presented by the Women's Studies concentration, was advertised by word of mouth by Women's Studies Professors and students. The Oakland Post learned of it through an anonymous telephone call.

Dr. Amber Ault, Women's Studies program director, said in response to the underground nature of advertisement that "the title of the book was considered controversial, and there was concern (by the Women's Studies faculty) about generating that kind of controversy."

Controversial or not, the book is powerful. After encouraging the audience to say "cunt" and "vagina" aloud, she read several passages of her book dealing with rape, repression and sexuality. The first chapter, entitled "Cuntist Mystique" summarizes the forced conversion of former female titles of honor such as "cunt" into the obscene context they occupy today.

Inga's message to college students, especially women, is that they have a lot of power that they don't always recognize. "They have access to so many resources that they may not in the real world." She believes the small groups and interperson-

al communication women have with their immediate friends gives them power to recognize the things that don't serve them, but, in fact, bind them to static gender roles.

Muscio is on a book tour, which began in September, and was brought to the area by Ferndale bookstore, "A Woman's Prerogative." The store contacted Ault and

offered to have Inga visit campus. Ault took advantage of the offer as a powerful, albeit possibly controversial, first public event sponsored by women's studies.

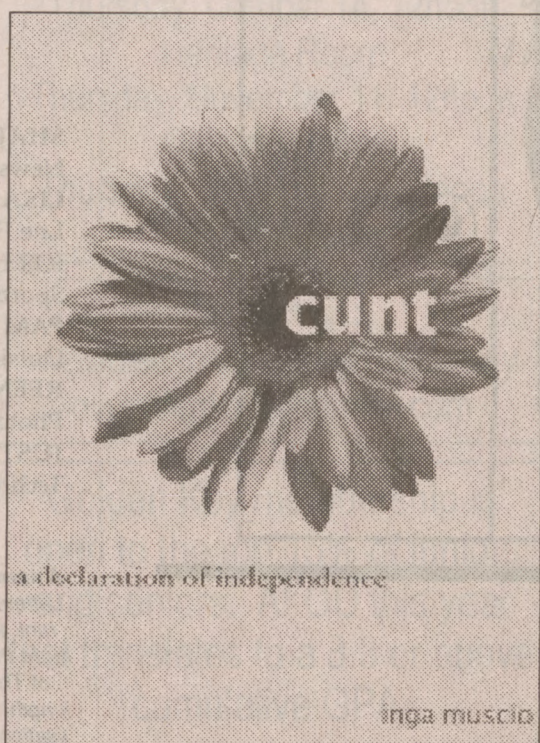
Ault was delighted by the turnout of the 75 female and male students and faculty, and the overwhelmingly positive response to the event. Inga was happy that men were among the audience.

A Woman's Prerogative had 25 copies of the book available for purchase. Within 15 minutes of the end of the readings, all 25 were sold out, and the store was taking additional orders.

Professor Gary Shepherd, chair of the department of Sociology and Anthropology, bought one of the first copies. "I saw a copy of the book before today, but did not have a chance to buy it then. I have my chance now," he said.

In response to the controversial title of her book, Inga said all her friends and potential publishers revolted against the title until they read the manuscript.

The cover of the book features the word "cunt" over a pink flower. Muscio joked at the reading, "the flower makes it easier to deal with the word."



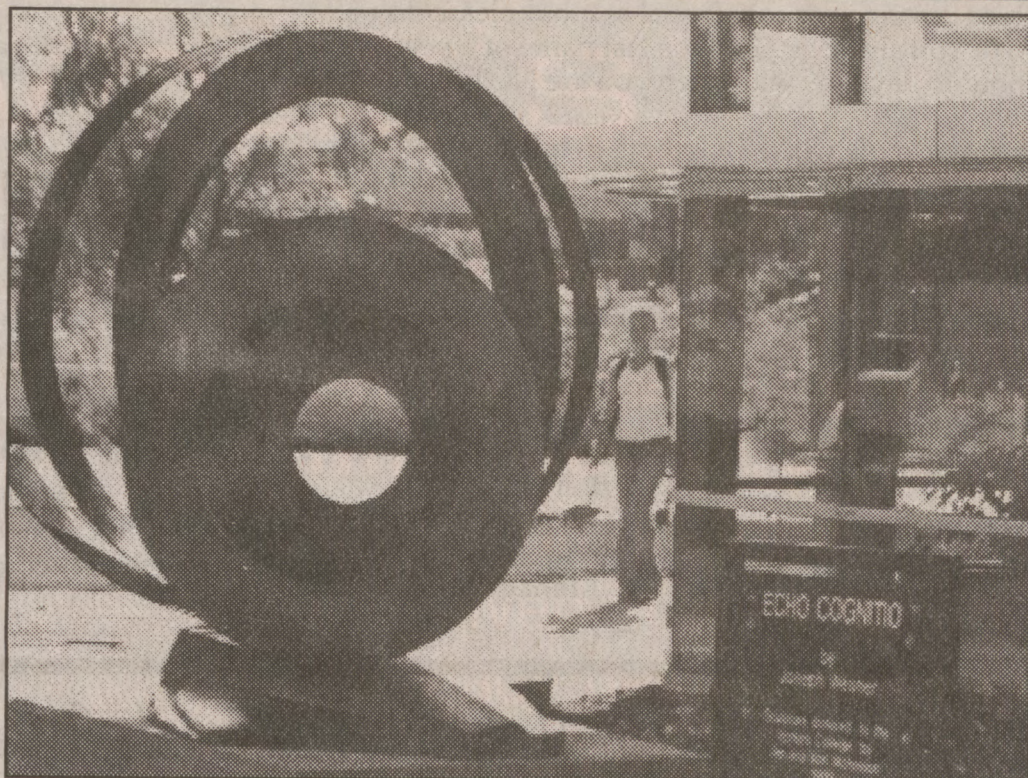
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CONTROVERSIAL COVER: DURING HER BOOK READING, Author, Inga Muscio jokingly said that the flower on the cover makes it easier to deal with the word "cunt".



Brent Chismark/The Oakland Post

AT THE PODIUM: OU's Women's Studies Department invited author, Inga Muscio to speak on behalf of her new book titled, *cunt, a declaration of independence*. Seventy-five female and male students and faculty attended the event. The turnout came as a surprise to the Women's Studies Department since the event was not openly advertised because some felt that the book cover was controversial.



Reena Sibayan/The Oakland Post

HONORED SCULPTURE: OU's newest sculpture was unveiled last Wednesday in the front of the Honors College outside of East Vandenberg. The large bronze sculpture was designed and executed by Joseph Wesner. This is Wesner's second piece sculpted for OU.

Sculpture echoes at HC

By Sara Kelts

SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

With a great deal of fanfare and a theatrical flourish, OU's newest sculpture was unveiled last Wednesday in front of the Honors College outside of the southside of Vandenberg East.

The large bronze sculpture of three concentric circles was designed and executed by Joseph Wesner, chairman of the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit.

It is the second piece sculpted by Wesner on campus. His other sculpture, "Motherswell," is on the front lawn of South Foundation Hall. He has also done work for the new Comerica Baseball Park in Detroit, DaimlerChrysler

Corporation in Auburn Hills and others.

Wesner titled his piece Echo Cognito because "it suggests cognition, or understanding in this very space," said Brian Murphy, director of the Honors College.

"The circularities he plays with communicate the idea of wisdom recurring," said Murphy.

The sculpture is the final phase of the Honors College which occupies a remodeled corner on the ground floor of East Vandenberg.

The remodeled space was dedicated in 1997, but Murphy thought it needed something more. He felt a sculpture would be appropriate. He thought of Wesner's work and approached Board of Trustees vice chair Ann

Nicholson and her husband, John, who donated the piece.

Students had their own opinions about the art work. Sophomore Ryan Bean, said, "I'm just glad I don't have to look at the big cement block anymore!"

Jason Killingbeck commented, "It did echo when I knocked on it!"

The majority of students interviewed said they didn't really care, as long as it was donated they were happy.

Junior Bryan Williams said that he liked his other piece in front of South Foundation Hall better. "It represents OU better because it's the first piece of art you see when you arrive on campus. I think it will take some time to warm up to the new sculpture."

Pride President thanks OU for successful Coming Out Day

As most of you know yesterday, Monday October 11th was National Coming Out Day.

If you couldn't tell by the table in the Oakland Center or the panel discussion on Hate Crimes, then you had to have seen the chalking all over campus - and I mean all over!

It was quite a success, and I just wanted to thank all of the university community for making it possible. It was wonderful to see so many people come together and be one!

So many straight friends stopped by and said 'hi' or 'I am so glad that you are doing this' lending their much needed support.

Coming Out Day is such an important day to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people. It is a day when we can all come together and say 'yes, we are gay and proud of it.' People boo us and so often say mean and hurtful comments, but this is

GUEST opinion

TIM ROOKS
PRIDE FORUM PRESIDENT

OUR day. No matter how many people try and hold us down we rise up- and basically just want to be equal. Which brings me to the topic of being equals.

We gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people are the same as anyone else. Just because we love someone of the same sex doesn't mean we are bad or immoral people.

We are just people who love people! What is so wrong with that? Why do so many

people spread hate? What have I done to you personally to make you hate me? The answer is nothing. I am just like you- I go to school, have a job, friends and go out just as much as you do. But when I look around me, gays are treated much differently.

Hate Crimes are such a heinous thing. You may ask why, a murder is a murder! To some that is true, but to others it is not. The judge, the jury may see things differently when it is a gay man or woman. So how does this end - well, through education. We have to teach ourselves and others about differences in people. That just because someone is different doesn't make him or her necessarily bad.

How boring would the world be if everyone was the same?

So please next time you see 'gay chalking' or a 'gay step' don't skip over it, stop and think about the people who wrote it- they

are just like you and want to live as peacefully as you. But if it does make you mad and you think 'well lets have a straight chalking day, table, or parade,' remember

that every day is Straight Day, every step is a Straight Step, and every table is a Straight Table. Please think about these things when you become angry and hateful.

On this, the one-year anniversary of the beating death of Matthew Shepherd, it is so important that we not forget what he endured because he was a gay university student. We cannot let this happen again!

I want Oakland to be a place where it is ok for someone to come out and be the person who they really are! A person is a person- gay or straight- and a life is a life, so love one another!

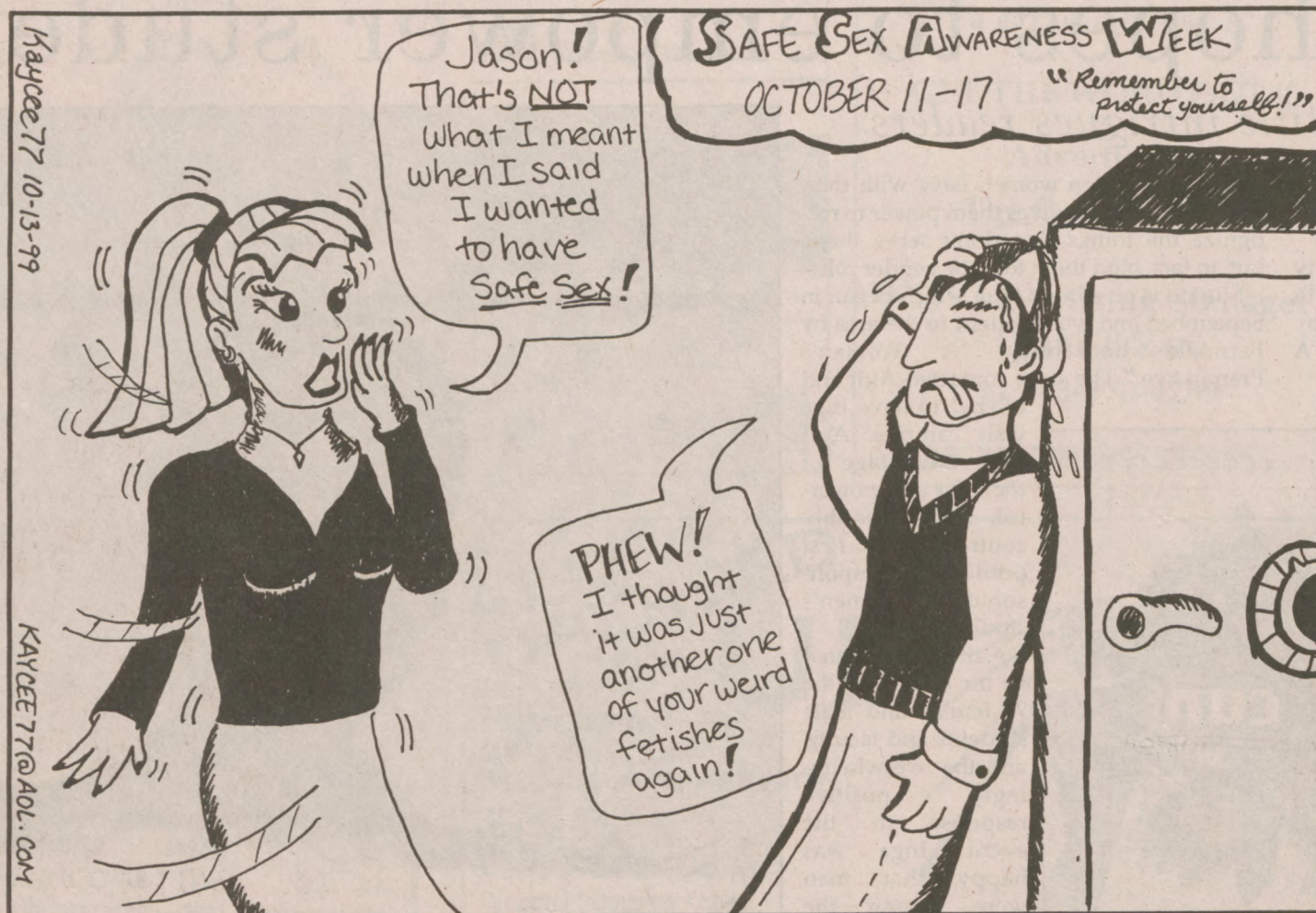
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PERSPECTIVES

SECTION A

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EDITOR'S view

Safe sex, risky business

Do you plan on having sex this week?

If you are, please remember the contraceptives. It's Safe Sex Week here at OU, and we wouldn't want you caught with your pants down. (Sorry.)

Remember that no contraceptive is 100 percent effective, so you could be risking a little delivery in nine or so months.

Is the idea of an unexpected pregnancy scary? Well it shouldn't be. You should be prepared for this when you have sex.

You wouldn't have sex with someone you didn't really know? Would you?

Hey guys, does the woman you want to be intimate with believe in abortion? What if she got pregnant and wanted to terminate the child? Or, what if she would want to keep it and you do not? Can you say child support?

Women, what do you know about your man? Does he want children? Would he be there for you if you did get pregnant? Would he be there for the child for the next 18 years?

What about sexually transmitted diseases? This applies to both heterosexual and homosexual partners. Does your partner have any? Do they have HIV or herpes? What about all of his or her previous sexual partners? Did you ever ask?

Do you have the guts to ask your partner to go to the doctor and submit to an AIDS test?

If you are going to have sex, ask your partner some of these questions. Don't think the questions are too personal or you be too afraid to ask them. If you can't be open with someone

you are sleeping with, then they shouldn't be sharing your bed.

What is more embarrassing - asking a person about their sexual history before sleeping together or calling that person a few weeks later to inquire about a rash?

Sex in the nineties is a risky proposition and the outlook for 2000 and beyond doesn't look any brighter.

Every decade STD's get worse. In the seventies you could get a shot to clear up most things. Herpes was the big thing in the eighties because it wasn't curable. Sex became deadly in the nineties with the proliferation of HIV. What's next? Spontaneous combustion?

The pressures of beginning in a sexual relationship are even greater at college. Many students are away from home for the first time and have a hard time dealing with their new found freedom.

With the parents miles away and the thought that everyone else is doing it, many students feel it is okay to have sex.

There is nothing wrong with consensual sex, but please do it responsibly. (If you are not sure of the last name of a person you are about to have sex with, then you are NOT being responsible.)

Remember, many people will do anything to have sex. They will lie, beg and even try getting you drunk to get what they want.

You are the only one looking out for your best interests. Trust your instincts. Ask questions. Get to know your partner very well before committing to an intimate relationship.

If you cannot handle all the potential risks involved with sex, then you should wait. It is a tough decision because giving in to the pressure is easy.

Don't worry, people will always have sex, so if you put it off for a while, you won't run the risk of never doing it.

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SETTING IT straight

It was incorrectly reported in the Oct. 6 edition of The Oakland Post that the men's soccer team lost to Oral Roberts University last season. The team posted an undefeated record.

LETTERS TO THE editor

Student admits apathy

Dear Editor,

In your Wednesday, Oct. 6th issue you voiced your concern over the student apathy and lack of our opinion over certain issues and in general. You mentioned the switch from Coke to Pepsi. A friend of mine was quite pleased at that, but I don't care. All cola tastes inherently like malted battery acid and the only issue beyond that is which horrible, faceless corporate logo do we want displayed which is a moot point since I've become so desensitized that I don't even notice them anymore. I drink Mountain Dew for the caffeine and Vernors for the taste and not for their corporate affiliations. I usually just carry around a refilled bottle of water, anyway.

As for the cameras in the restrooms and Russi's \$30k raise? Ever since the entire golf course debacle, we've known that the university is underhanded and doesn't particularly care about us so those are moot points as well.

In fact, a writer of yours Lisa Borich, in the very same issue brought up the point as to

how unrecognizable the very president of OU is. I'll admit it, I wouldn't recognize President Russi unless I saw him with a nametag.

My goal is to get my degree and afterwards I'll be hard pressed to admit I'm even an OU alumni. I feel no honor or pride in attending this particular school and, when the years pass, I'll reminisce about the few exceptionally good or bad instructors I had in no greater proportion than in any other comparable university. I'll remember how I struggled through pre-calc and dreaded the prospect of biochem. Maybe I'll remember the golf course and how I actually marched in protest, but I doubt I'll think it was terribly important. By that time Gary Russi in the grave and the OU woodlands will have been paved, hopefully for parking, but probably not. They'll probably just have put in a huge pig roasting grill in the shape of a Pepsi logo.

Rob Richardson
Biology

P.S. I like Simon and Garfunkel too!!

Professional note taker defends practice, says website helps students

Dear Editor,

Have you ever copied notes from another classmate after you had missed a class? Or maybe you've shared notes with a friend when they don't understand what going on because they left something important out of their notes.

Apparently some teachers believe this is wrong. I signed up at the beginning of the semester to take notes for a company called Study Free. All I did was take notes in class, type them, and send them in within 24 hours of my class. Yes, it's true, I did get paid for this, but then don't we pay teachers and private tutors to do almost the same thing?

All I did was provide students with a service. Nothing I did was illegal. I NEVER plagiarized (sic). All the notes were in my own words. I never gave out exact words of handouts or tests that teachers gave. That is completely wrong. All I did was give my perspective of things that had taken place in class on a particular day.

To the teachers who claimed those aren't their notes—they are. Either you now feel your notes are insufficient and you are trying to cover it up or you are trying to keep your students from things that maybe supplemental to their education. Those notes were most definitely your's. To the teachers who support it. Thank you.

This is the wave of the future. It is nice to see some teachers are open minded enough to allow technology to play some role in their teaching. I feel I must clear up an error that was printed in the Post last week.

NOTESU.COM DOES NOT CHARGE FOR THE ACCESS TO NOTES. What they do charge for is using them as your ISP.

You can easily access notes, get free e-mail, and a personalized calendar by creating a new user account. And it's actually a pretty cool site. You may even want to get involved in note taking. Note taking like this has been going on for 30 years. It is just now more widely available due to the internet and the close minded teachers at this institution aren't ready to accept it.

I urge every teacher who doesn't agree with this note taking program to contact NOTESU.COM. They would most definitely explain to you how the program works and how it is not wrong.

I have had my notes taken down for a while in respect for the faculty. I believe these are helpful to students but I didn't want to make anyone angry over what I post. I was only helping out my peers. I care about other people on the campus. Which is sometimes more than I can say for people in power at Oakland University.

Name withheld by request

(Editor's note: This letter is in response to a story that appeared in last week's edition of The Oakland Post.)

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High-tech jobs need high-tech people

Oakland County faces a critical shortage of technology qualified workers.

By Dan MacNeill and
Pam Hendrix
OF THE OAKLAND POST

Information Technology (IT) tops the list of red-hot jobs for 1999, and promises to get even hotter as the new millennium approaches.

OU students in the IT field are in the right place at the right time. "There is a dramatic shortage of computer analysts, engineers, and programmers globally. There are 700,000 IT jobs vacant today," said David Spencer, president of Michigan Virtual University (MVU), a collaborative venture with Governor John Engler, The Michigan Jobs Commission, GM, Ford, Daimler Chrysler, U-M and MSU.

According to MVU's website www.mivu.org, the MVU was "established to meet the training needs of Michigan businesses and their current and prospective employees through the innovative use of electronic learning technologies on our website."

Engler developed MVU because Michigan has a shortage of qualified IT workers.

A recent study conducted in Oakland County predicted that by 2005, an estimated 25,000 jobs in the IT field will remain unfilled.

Initiatives have been taken by the business community, educators and the government to solve this shortage problem. "Governor Engler's main mission right now is to show that there is a problem and get more people going into the field," said John Truscott, press aide to Engler. "Our focus has been on

getting the educational institutions linked up with the employers to find out what their needs are, where technology is going, and how we can match the two together."

MVU offers both credit and non-credit courses over the Internet. Their goal is to provide education to those who wish to secure jobs in the IT field, and solve the time problem without eliminating the quality of education.

It is important for the business and educational communities to join together because, "Technology is changing so quickly, people have a hard time keeping up with those changes. What is new today is old tomorrow," said Kevin Finn, program coordinator with the Troy Career Center. We can't keep up with the number of trained people to fill the number of job openings available."

Another reason for the shortage of qualified people is that, "Technology can be a very specialized field, the curriculum tends to be difficult. Finding students to sign up for these difficult courses may not be easy," said Robert Thomas, director, OU's Placement and Career Services.

"You have companies crying for well-trained people. Anyone graduating with a major in Engineering or Computer Science has no problem at all getting jobs," said Michael Polis, dean, of the School of Engineering and Computer Sciences. "If we were to double the number of graduates we



Reena Sibayan/the Oakland Post

WORKERS WANTED: Oakland County has a critical shortage of people qualified to fill technology jobs.

would still have no problem placing them with jobs." Recent statistics show the average starting salary for this field is about \$45,000.

As of right now OU is not offering classes through MVU, but "OU President Gary Russi was just elected Vice Chairman

of the Board of Directors to MVU, said Spencer.

OU students in particular can cash in on Oakland County's shortage of qualified IT workers. The development of Automation Alley in the Troy and Auburn Hills area has created many new jobs to choose from.

Fast Facts

Provided by MVU, US Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Information Technology Association of America (ITAA)

- The US will require 1.3 million new IT workers by 2006.
- 346,000 core IT jobs (computer scientists/engineers, computer programmers, and systems analysts) are unfilled in the US as of 1998.
- MVU currently has 2,000 students enrolled in college credit courses, and another 2,900 enrolled in non-college credit courses.

Cyber Universities are here

By LaToya Smith
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Have you decided that you need to go back to college, but your day to day life is just too busy right now? Maybe you are in the process of balancing a career, family and personal interests. Distance Learning (DL) is one method that may help adults who want to pursue a degree. In these programs, students, instructors and peers learn together from a distance as opposed to sitting in a classroom.

In order to stay connected, the programs use a wide range of resources including the World Wide Web, e-mail, telephone, fax, television and regular mail.

These programs have become increasingly popular because of their convenience and flexibility. Kimberly Bowers, a student at Capella University, a cyber university in Oklahoma, and director of a youth and family center, said, "I cannot recall a more pleasant way to learn, especially

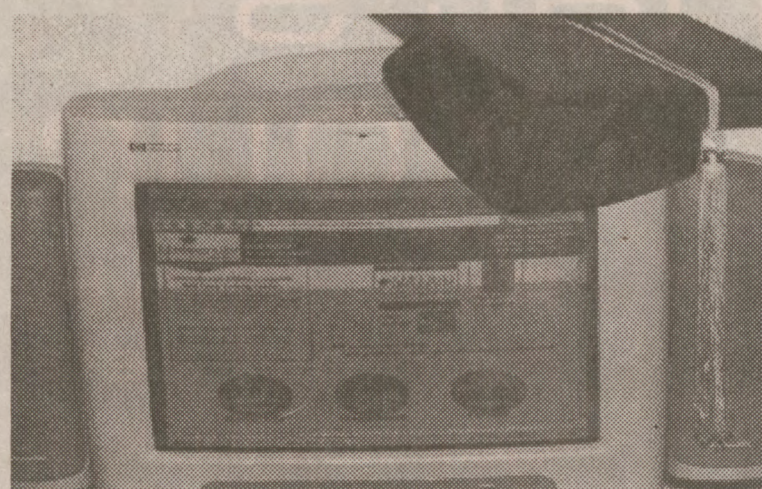
as a working professional and mother of a 22-month-old..."

One of the pros of distance education is time, which allows students to study at their own pace day or night. Constant interaction between students and professors creates more learning opportunities. Peter MacDonald a student at Capella University, said, "Distance learning continues to be meaningful, even without the face-to-face interaction. I enjoy more than anything the positive feedback from professors."

Jeff Edwards, Director of Marketing at Western Governor's University, said, "Online students have very spirited discussions when the professor puts up question, and everyone is required to participate."

Of course with all the benefits there are still reservations to DL. The primary drawback of DL seems to be discipline. Students must be self-motivated for DL to work.

OU participates in DL through Northwestern College in Traverse City, Mi. The problems OU faculty have run into with



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HIGHER EDUCATION: Cyber Universities are fast becoming another alternative to the traditional classroom structure.

DL are, "Sometimes the equipment doesn't work properly. It would be helpful if a student assistant was available during class time to keep televisions, fax machines and computers functioning at optimum levels," said Barbara Hamilton, professor, Rhetoric, Communication and Journalism.




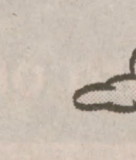
Also, subjects such as physics and chemistry may be problematic. "A lecture or demonstra-

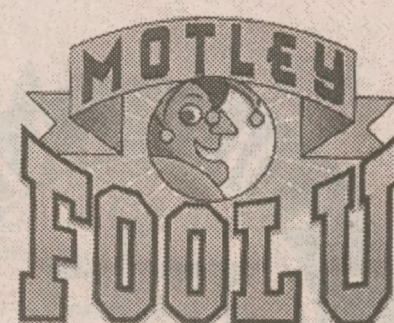
tion done in front of a classroom can't be altered. However a computer can alter the results of a simulation. This can be done by simply changing the computer commands entering the data," said Beverly Berger, professor and chair of Physics. "Also lab work is an important component where students perform experiments themselves."

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Four Day FORECAST

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Underperforming Index Funds?

Q: I read that in the second quarter of this year, the majority of actively managed mutual funds outperformed the S&P 500 index, and therefore the passive index funds (which track the S&P 500 market index). Should I be looking to invest in mutual funds other than an S&P 500 index fund? — S.M., via the Internet

A: We've read a couple of those types of articles, and we're pretty amused — and more than a little bit concerned by what the authors are leaving out of their reports. Let's examine a fairly representative example, from SmartMoney.com:

"After three years of dismal returns, mutual funds are finally on the rebound. In the second quarter, a surprising 65 percent of U.S. stock funds beat the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index, with the average fund returning 10.2 percent — three points above the market. That's a serious improvement over last year, when only 19 percent of actively managed funds squeaked by the S&P and 310 funds ended the year in the red. ... What's behind the sudden turnaround? It certainly isn't massive reform within the fund industry itself. ... The simple truth? For the first time in years, the current market is favorable to funds."

Hogwash.

What the article failed to mention is how selectively chosen the time frame was to show a period in which managed mutual funds were beating the market. Why draw any conclusions from what happened between April 1, 1999, and June 30, 1999? After all, if you include the first half of the year, from January through June, it was still the case that the majority of mutual funds were underperforming the market's returns. More telling, if you look over the last three, five or 10 years, more than 80 percent of actively managed mutual funds have underperformed index funds.

The selective use of data over a three-month time period cannot possibly be used to show that all of a sudden "the market is more favorable to funds." Put another way, if there has been no reform in the mutual fund industry — as the SmartMoney.com article concedes — then the conditions that created the poor performance for mutual funds are still in place, and there can be no change in an investor's expectations for how actively managed mutual funds will perform over a longer time period. Simply put, good luck explains the second-quarter results — and good luck really doesn't hold up for very long.

Of course, magazines that derive a significant amount of their revenue from mutual fund advertisements aren't likely to publish any issues stating that index funds are still the only mutual funds that an investor should look at. They are much more likely to run covers with screaming headlines like "Ten Hot New Funds to Buy Today!" Ignore any magazines with covers like that, and stick to index funds as the best choice for your long-term savings.

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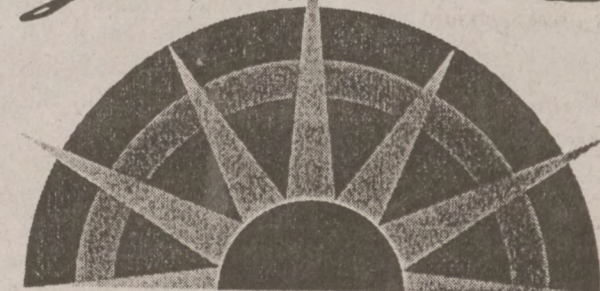


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•**SHIVAREE** by William Mastrosimone plays now through Oct. 24 at Varner Recital Studio. Tickets only \$2 for students.

•**POULENC & CHOPIN** Celebration with Flavio Varani is at 8 p.m. Oct. 16 at Varner Recital Hall.

•Next week is National Collegiate **ALCOHOL AWARENESS WEEK**.

•Student Program Board and Pride Forum present Comedienne **ELVIRA KURT**. Starting at 8 p.m. on Oct. 22 she will be in the Gold Rooms. The show is free.

•The **BATTLE OF THE BANDS** returns in December, but band registration is going on now. Sign up at the Center for Student Activities Service Window.

CONCERTS

•**SMOKIN' GRASS** plays at 9:30 p.m. tomorrow night at the Blind Pig. Tickets only \$6.

•**SQUEEZE** plays a show at 8 p.m. tomorrow at the Royal Oak Music Theatre. Tickets are \$22.50.

•**DELIRIOUS?** will perform at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the Michigan Theater. Tickets are \$19.50.

•**STRING CHEESE INCIDENT** plays at 8 p.m. this Friday at the Michigan Theatre. Seats only \$16.50.

•**KEIKO MATSUI** plays at 8 p.m. Oct. 20 at the Royal Oak Music Theatre. Tickets are \$29.50.

•**STYX** play at 8 p.m. Oct. 21 at the Fox Theatre. Tickets are \$27.50, \$35.

COMING SOON

•Disney on Ice presents **TOY STORY**. The show will be at Joe Louis Arena from Nov. 17-21. Tickets are \$43, \$53. Show times vary.

OU taking part in responsibilities of sex

By Kathryn Pina

SPECIAL WRITER TO THE OAKLAND POST

Condoms and birth control literature and safe-sex flyers in the OC? Yes, this week is the first annual Safer Sex Week, sponsored by the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority and the Theta Chi fraternity.

The goal: to make sure "students are aware" of the responsibilities of sex, and "get people to practice safe sex," according to Renee Gardner, sophomore, Human Resources Development. She is the PACE (Personal and Chapter Enrichment) director for Gamma Beta.

e want to educate college stu-

dents so they can act sexually responsible," said Jennifer Bidoczka, junior, pre-med, membership vice-president for Gamma Phi Beta.

Besides having tables with literature and condoms throughout the week, there are events planned to heighten interest in the message. From 11:30 to 1:00 on Wednesday, Game Day will be held in Lake Superior Room A, which will involve a game similar to "Family Feud," with prizes involved.

On Thursday from 11:30 to 1:00 in the Gold Rooms, a speaker from the Midwest AIDS Prevention Project (MAPP) group will be holding a workshop on how to use con-

doms and practice safe sex. The speaker will also address STDs and the HIV virus.

At 7:00 on Sunday in the OC Food Court, is speaker Dave Westall, a Theta Chi alum. He will be addressing alcohol awareness in the Greek system, and how to drink responsibly.

While Safer Sex Week has been held on other campuses in the past, this is the first year OU has followed the example. Organizations such as Planned Parenthood, MAPP, and the Graham Health Center have assisted Gamma Phi Beta and Theta Chi as well. For instance, MAPP donated safe sex packets, and the Lifestyles compa-

ny donated 250 condoms.

Controversial forms of birth control don't seem to have a platform this week. The morning after pill, usually a hot topic for all involved, is not being addressed. Rather, the emphasis is on traditional contraceptives such as the birth control pill, and the female and male condom.

While abstinence is approached as an alternative, the "focus is safe sex, because most students are having sex," said Gardner.

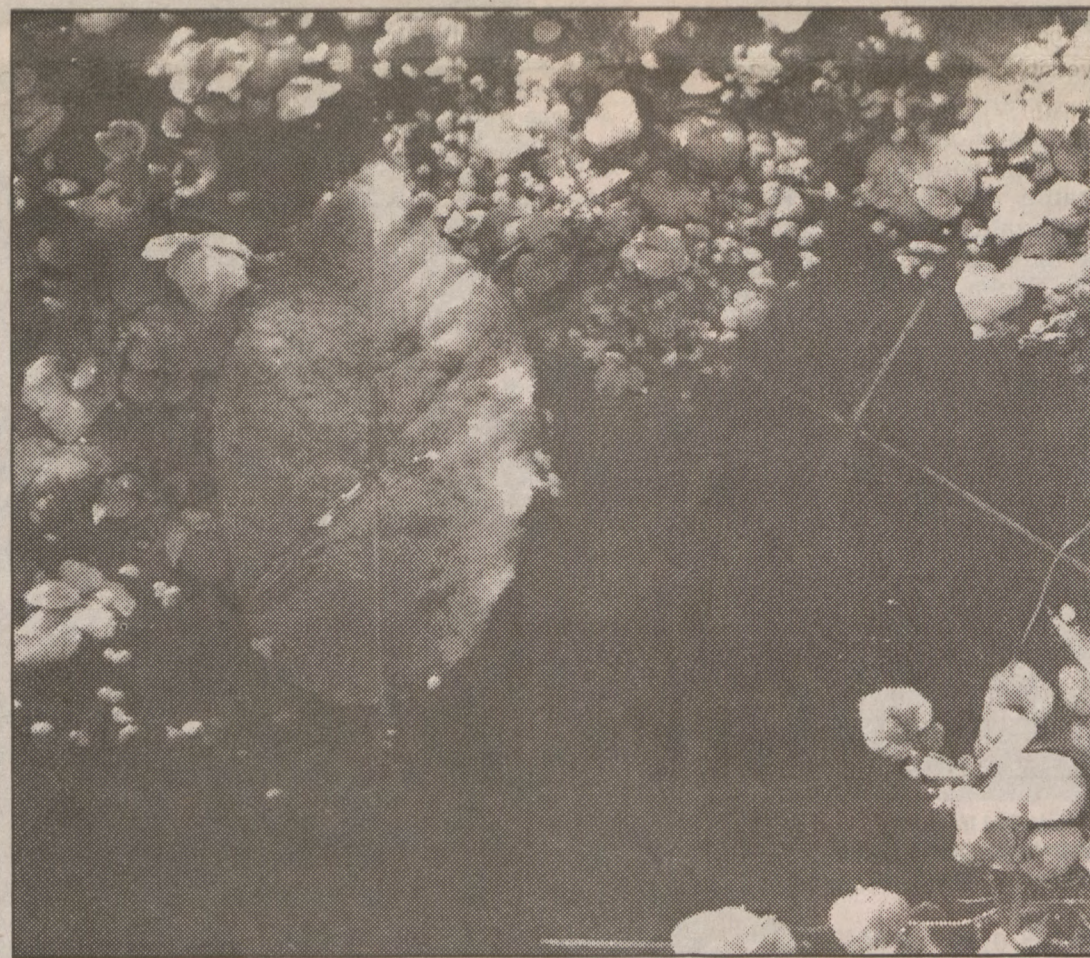
Student reactions to Safer Sex Week was mixed.

"I think a lot of people feel that they are exempt from obtaining an STD, and they should be aware of

the likelihood of them," said Sara McDowell, junior, journalism.

"The very phrase 'safe sex' is extraordinarily deceptive," said Doug Brouhard, senior, philosophy. "It implies you can have sex without having consequences. 'Safe sex' can only lower the emotional and physical risks or the severity of the consequences of premarital sex. The only way to have truly 'safe sex' is to have monogamous sex within marriage."

Southwest Leather Products offers leather condom carrying cases from \$8-\$16 for men and women at www.condomcases.com.



SUSPENDED IN WATER: The roadways aren't the only place where you can see colorful trees with falling leaves. Many parks have rivers where you can canoe along the waterways and see beautiful trees changing colors.



Post photo/Ted Bolak

ALL THE LEAVES ARE GRAY: Not really, but now is the time to go out for a drive to see the beautiful displays of color.

By Ted Bolak
OF THE OAKLAND POST

When the colors come, it is truly fall. As the colors seem to give new life to the landscape, they are really preparing for dormancy.

What happens in fall is that the chlorophyll in the leaves stops being produced.

The chlorophyll in summer is really masking the natural secondary pigments of plants (fall colors). This means that plants naturally produce the reds, yellows and other colors seen in the fall, they are just masked by the chlorophyll, according to Thaddeus Grudzien, associate professor of biological sciences.

When fall starts to roll around, the days become shorter. Plants and trees start to hibernate, reducing the amount of chlorophyll produced. As chlorophyll exits the system the secondary pigments become present. Different species of plants produce different secondary pigments naturally, which is why so many colors are seen when chlorophyll leaves.

"The leading, driving force of the color change is photo period," explained Grudzien. "Photo period" is said to be the actual length of day. When the earth

receives less light from the sun, due to changing seasons, the length of day and photo period decrease.

Temperature and the amount of water in the environment can also effect the vibrancy of the color change, he said.

In effect, fall is really not the changing of color, but the unveiling of already present elements. The scientific explanation for the change is simply explained. However, there are other things that are a bit harder to understand.

When I am walking through the forest and I see the colors that are present, and I cannot help to notice how phenomenal they really are.

The canopies of trees in gold, deep red and fiery orange consume me. So does the crisp breeze, that ever so slightly moves the treetops. Even the decay of the forest floor along with the scent of wild apples smells sweet against the cool air. The rolling hills painted in magnificent hues, giving nature new semblance capture my eyes. It seems to me that there is no scientific reason for this, only nature taking place, and I'm amazed when I get caught up in its path.

“ The leading, driving force of the color change is photo period, ”

Thaddeus Grudzien, associate professor of biological sciences

Avoid the guilt, call your mother



MIKE
MURPHY

Mom:

Sorry about not calling yesterday. But I've been slammed lately, bouncing from classrooms to meetings to meals like a 5'11" superball dropped off a building. I know you called the other night, and I didn't call you back, yet. And I know I'm going to experience some serious maternal fury because of it. And I'm well, pretty damn scared. Sorry about the swearing, by the way. It's a college newspaper, you know. A lot of us up here, use profanity in our speech the way most people use "um." I, of course, am not one of those people.

But before you unleash the awesome display of vehemence from the depths of a bruised soul that only an angry Irish mother can muster, do this. Remember how much you care about me. Your youngest? The cute one?

Yes, I know. You'd remember how cute I was if I stopped by home once in a while. But you have, like, pictures of me to look at and the like, right? Right?

Whoops. Not good enough, huh. Then,

let me explain.

See, mom, I got your call last night. I get to my room to go to bed at night usually around 2 or 3 in the a.m.--I know, I know. I won't get enough sleep to look handsome in the morning if I go to bed that late. But,

Dad looks like Frankenstein on crack when he lurches around the house in the morning, and, not only does that man get eight hours of sleep, you've been married to him for 25 years. I do have a point.

And then I'm up at 7 a.m., getting ready for my show. Yeah, the radio thing. I'm on the air at WXOU 88.3 FM from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. weekdays as one half of "Tony & The Murph."

Remember when I called you on the air that one time?

You wanted to tell some embarrassing

stories about me growing up, like the time I split my face open running into a street sign, how my voice didn't change until I was about 16 (yeah, that was great, being the only male soprano in the 10th grade). If you could, you'd probably try and describe when I dressed up like the Cookie Monster on Halloween when I was five or one of those embarrassing "naked baby in the tub" photographs that every one of us has in our homes and lives in secret fear of.

But you held back. Thanks. And you suggested that sometime I write something about "how much parents care about their children."

Then, off the air, you gave me directions to our house from my dorm room "just in case I maybe forgot where I lived or something."

Thanks. I get the message. I know you care, and it has been a little while since I've stopped by home, and I have no excuse.

And I understand your point of view. For 17 years, we saw each other every day. Initially, I needed help with all sorts of

humiliating things. Luckily, I grew out of that. But I kept growing, and as I did, I started to need--well, demand--less and less attention. After I got that whole potty-training thing down, and combined it with the walking thing, I've been out on my own more and more.

But growing up means growing a part, and that's terrible. Now that I'm at school, I'm "busy." Which is a lie. I'm not too busy to call home more often. There are things you just make time for, Mom.

And that's why I'm writing this, here, to tell everyone something I'm sure you'll tell me in so many words. Listen people: It's easy to forget in the breakneck speed at which college moves that you even have parents, nonetheless that they might in some vague fashion miss you and want to know what you're doing. So, I'm calling you, right now.

Mike Murphy is a senior journalism major and a columnist for THE OAKLAND POST.

In the swing of things

OU FORMS SWING DANCE CLUB THAT GATHERS TOGETHER
AT 'THE VELVET LOUNGE'

By Matthew Garcia
OF THE OAKLAND POST

The Swing Dance Society hopes to bring bands to campus to spread the swing sound around.

The first band scheduled will be the Jive Aces (from England), who will perform on October 15, at noon in the Oakland Center.

The Swing Dance Society has been around for about a month and is free to join. The president of the club is Anton Botosan, a MIS junior. Denise Champine, a HRM junior and Jeremy Barber, a pre-med Biology sophomore, both stand as the vice presidents of the club. There are about 65 members and the numbers are growing.

"We are open to all students who are 18 and over. If a student has friends who do not go to school, it would not be a problem to have them come along," said Botosan.

Botosan claims that a novice swing dancer would have no problem joining the society.

"Someone new would learn basic dance steps, get a chance to watch the more advanced people, and have the opportunity to make a lot of new friends. Guys can meet girls and girls can meet guys," said Botosan.

"It can be fast or slow-paced, but it is all very fun. It is easy to learn and you can make up some of your own moves along the way and



Photo courtesy of Dennis Collins/Oakland University

LET'S TWIST AGAIN: Korina St. John, a communications and French junior and partner Jeremy Barber, a pre-med Biology sophomore.

dance free-style," said Champine.

Botosan also says that there are a lot of beginners in the Swing Dance Society but that works well because the society practices at the Velvet Lounge in Pontiac. On Tuesday nights (when the society meets) peo-

ple can get free beginner's swing dance lessons. Those who belong to the society receive a membership card which, if shown, will get them inside free of charge.

"It is a fun thing to do. Most OU students are commuters and are not around to meet people. This is a great chance for them to do so," said Botosan.

"I was surprised to see so many people come to our society in the first couple of weeks. It has been a lot of fun and I hope we continue to grow," said Champine.

Some of the regulars at the Velvet Lounge really get into the swing of things dressing in 1920's-1950's attire. It is not unusual to find some people dressed in zoot suits, retro hats, or other colorful style of dress.

"The people make the atmosphere. When you first walk into the Velvet Lounge, it feels as if you stepped into a movie from the 1950's," said Champine.

Students are also singing the praises of swing dancing.

Omar Sheikh, a systems engineer and physics engineering sophomore, has enjoyed learning how to swing dance.

"I like it because it is a dance form with meaning. There are steps to follow, or you can be wild and do kicks, twists, and turns. Swing is a style where you can enjoy a dance with a girl, and she'll thank you for a good time afterwards," said Sheikh.

SWING continues on B4

Relationships, can there be a balance?

By Karen Mangune
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

All relationships have a purpose, even if the whole romantic process doesn't last forever. What it does is let you discover yourself more.

Sure every relationship has its ups and downs, one of them sometimes outweighing the other. In an average life everyone will have experienced one "serious" relationship. And whatever happens you're going to learn from it.

It lets you know what you want in a partner, and what you don't necessarily need.

The biggest problem is to stop thinking of every relationship as, "The One" because you'll tend to focus on the future and beyond, rather than the future that is a few steps away. To be in a relationship is one of life's most challenging things. Sure there is the quest for obtaining a degree, but with that comes books. You can study your terms and theories, highlight the main points, and make note cards for everything else. But with a relationship, there is nothing. No books, no Cliff notes, no flashcard's—nothing. If everyone were given a manual on everything you ever needed to know about relationships, this world might be a better place. If you have a problem, all you'd have to do is look it up in the index, turn to the right page and BOOM, there's your solution.

But since there is nothing like that (sorry to burst your bubble) here are a few things to remember.

1. Respect each other's goals. Since school has started, you're going to have to understand that the time the two of you share together may be limited.

2. Always keep good communication. This is especially true for long distance relationships. Since the two of you have somewhat separate lives, the greatest challenge is the willingness to put an effort towards it. This has to work both ways. In an Oakland Post survey, 61% of the males said that a long distance relationship could work, while only 39% of the females agreed.

3. Be honest. Say whatever is on your mind. The more you keep things bottled up, the harder it is to know what you're feeling.

4. Don't compare your situation with others. Every relationship is different, which means that every relationship has a different goal.

5. If stress is the factor, talk to someone about it. There are many places with trained counselors ready to listen and offer some advice. Nancy Liebler, psychologist, and Nancy Schmitz, Director, are counselors at the counseling office of

RELATIONSHIPS continues on B8

Gettin' muddy

By Lisa Borich
OF THE OAKLAND POST

While some students were focused on the U-M vs. MSU game on Saturday, some greek organizations and alumni were busy competing in the Annual Mud Bowl.

Each year Mud Bowl is held in Pontiac at a field on Saginaw and Wide Track. With the help of the Pontiac Fire Dept., the field is doused with water and a designated truck is used to turn up the field.

In the first game, Phi Sigma Sigma faced up against Alpha Kappa Sigma and the second Theta Chi played Sigma Alpha Epsilon. In the cold mud, the organizations played football.

Slipping and sliding everywhere, players struggled to score for their team. Although the sororities escaped without any major injuries, Sigma Alpha Epsilon reported that a few players were injured.

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ABOVE
HAIL TO THE VICTORS: Theta Chi fraternity gathers together before their victory over Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

RIGHT
SET HIKE: Phi Sigma Sigma and Alpha Kappa Sigma sets up on the line in anticipating a touch-down.



Post Photo/Lisa Borich

'Best Man' makes its mark

DIRECTORS DEBUT HITS BOX

OFFICE NEXT WEEK

By Anthony Liccardello

SPECIAL WRITER OF THE OAKLAND POST

Malcolm D. Lee makes his directorial debut in what could be the sleeper hit of the year. With its release on October 22, there are already comparisons to the box office success of *Notting Hill*, *Runaway Bride*, and *Analyze This*.

The cast features Taye Diggs (The Wood), Nia Long (Soul Food), Morris Chestnut (Boyz n' The Hood), Terrence Howard (The Player's Club), Sanaa Lathan (Life), Monica Calhoun (Parkday), Harold Perrineau (William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet), and Melissa De Sousa (Ride). The film's soundtrack is excellent, featuring artists such as Lauryn Hill, Bob Marley, Maxwell, Eric Benet, Faith Evans, Ginuwine, and Tyrese. The film was

produced by Spike Lee.

This romantic comedy shows us a revealing look at the more intimate side of life for a successful group of friends who are reunited when one of them gets married.

The story is centered around Harper Stewart (Taye Diggs). He is a self-proclaimed author whose novel will be in Oprah's 'Book of the Month Club.' His novel, *Unfinished Business*, which is based on his own personal experience throughout life, hits bookstores next month. When he visits his friends in New York, everything is on a positive note.

His good friend and NFL quarterback Lance (Morris Chestnut) is getting married to his best friend, Mia (Monica Calhoun). His old buddies Quentin (Terrence Howard), Murch (Harold

Perrineau), and Murch's annoying girlfriend, Shelby (Melissa De Sousa) are all invited to the wedding.

The title of his book *Unfinished Business*, is ironic because that is exactly what Harper has. Inside his life lie some very dark secrets, and they can be found in his book. He changed the names of the characters in hopes to cover up what he had done. But as the book is passed from friend to friend, it will only be a matter of time until the secret is revealed.

This movie is nothing short of flawless. With excellent performances by Diggs, Chestnut, Long, as well as the rest of the cast. It's an emotional roller-coaster. It will make you laugh and it will make you cry.

The character development in this

BEST MAN continues on B4



Photo courtesy of Universal Pictures

HERE COMES THE BRIDE: The maid-of-honor Jordan (NIA LONG), the best man Harper (TAYE DIGGS), the bride (MONICA CALHOUN) and the groom Lance (MORRIS CHESTNUT) are reunited.

GET OUT

SECTION B

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ART ...worthy of a thousand words

A tour of local galleries proves to be relaxing, informing and can help you become 'a well rounded individual.'

By Cara Plowman
OF THE OAKLAND POST

Cold weather is quickly creeping into our daily routines, and we find ourselves grabbing a coat instead of sunglasses. Now is the time to try out new experiences; They just have to be moved inside.

The Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit, offers so many pieces of artwork that you could spend the day there and not see everything. They offer public tours Wed.-Sun. at 1 p.m. As well as being one of the top ten museums in the nation, the institute is home to The Detroit Film Theatre, a museum gift shop and many eateries.

They have featured such artists and events as Ben Shahn: Art and Politics, Art & Soul: Where fashion, music and art converge and Van Gogh: Face to Face. Beginning Oct. 24 through Jan. 2, Rembrandt van Rijn: Etchings and Bob Thompson: Paintings will

be featured.

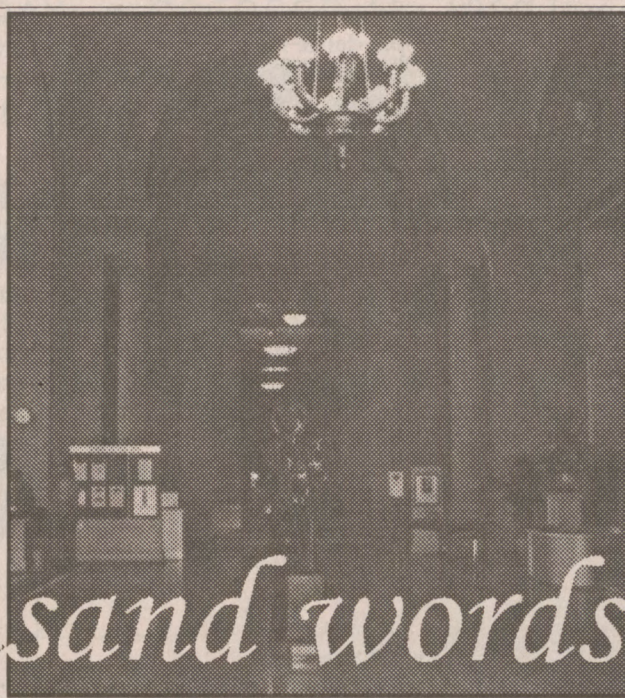
The museum's entry fee is minimal, \$10, and special showings are usually under \$10 to view. It is all well worth the price though. The historic and beautiful artwork will launch you back to the days that might have otherwise been forgotten.

Some of the exhibits include Egyptian art, Elizabethan, Modern/Contemporary, African and French.

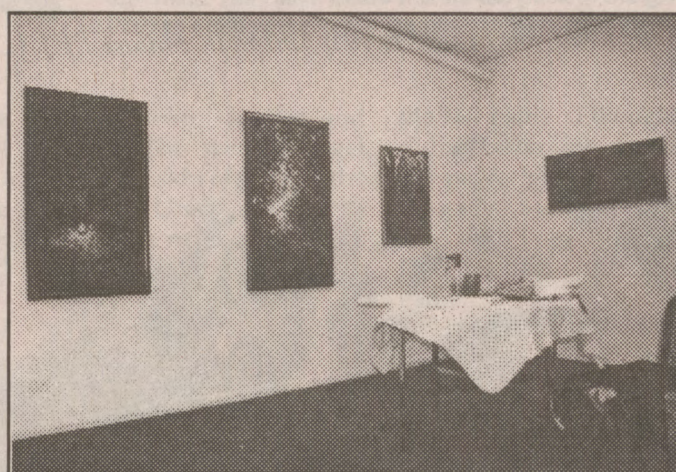
The DIA is about 35 miles from OU, it takes anywhere from thirty to sixty minutes to get there and it is located between Woodward and John R roads. 313-833-7900

Cranbrook, 1221 North Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, is not only a school but a historic museum as well. The gallery was founded in 1930 and sits within the beautiful landscape in Bloomfield Hills. The ever-changing displays may feature the work of Charles and Ray Eames, Duane Hanson and Harry Bertoia. Right now they feature

ART continues on B8



SCULPTING: The DIA offers many cultural exhibits. The experience is a lesson in art and history.



SUR-REAL-ISM: Lawrence St. Gallery in Pontiac features many forms of artwork including watercolor and surrealism-style painting.



Photo courtesy of the Detroit Institute of Arts

THE GENIUS OF DANCE: This free standing sculpture by Jean-Baptiste Carpeaux was created around 1872.

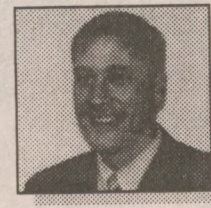
Photos by Cara Plowman/The Oakland Post

Younger generation restricted to vote by Senate Bill 306

Vote. Vote. Vote.

Get the idea of this column?

As an elected official, I am particularly sensitive to the typical excuses people offer for not exercising their right to vote. Trust me, I have heard them all. Perhaps you have used one of these:

TIM MELTON

"I don't even know how to register to vote."

"My vote doesn't count."

"How does one vote even matter?"

"Why bother? I don't know anything about the people running."

"My parents vote, but whatever. I'm busy."

Maybe you've used an excuse more original, more clever. It's raining. It's snowing. It's sunny. The lines are too long. I don't feel like it. The lines are too short. I don't want to. Frasier is on TV and I don't want to leave the couch.

Voting is your right. It is your duty. It is your voice.

In the last presidential election, only 33% of those aged 18 to 24 voted. Pathetic. We, the younger generation of voting Americans, have an opportunity to voice concern, effect change, make a difference. Yet so many of us ignore this opportunity. Voting is THE easiest, most effective way to raise your voice to let your elected officials know when you agree with them, or when you can't agree or disagree because they are too timid to take a position.

Not everyone wants you to vote. Younger voters are expected not to vote. The established political system doesn't necessarily welcome the type of changes brought about by bright, fresh ideas. In fact, the established political system in Lansing passed a bill that restricts the ability of college students to vote. Senate Bill 306 (SB306) requires the Secretary of State to automatically correspond your driver's license address with your voter registration address. As a college student, you are rendered unable to vote where you live nine months out of the year unless you change your permanent address. The passage of this law is a blatant attempt to discourage college students from voting. As if the 33% voter participation isn't bad enough, they want to LOWER the participation rate.

Every OU student has to have at least one government class. You know how things work. Now, you need to try to change how things work.

Vote.

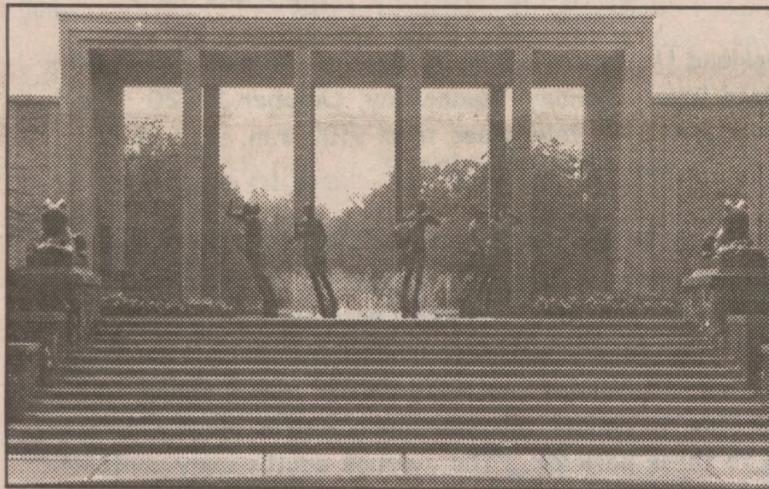
My staff and I have coordinated a voter registration drive at Bo's Brewery tonight. OU's own Gordon Bennett will play for the crowd, and DJ Bone of Bennett will spin in the loft. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. with the taping of my public access television show, "The Tim Melton Project." Most importantly, you can register to vote before SB306 goes into effect.

Vote.

Surprise the establishment the expects you not to care. Vote in an off-year election. Vote in every election.

Just vote.

Tim Melton is an OU alum and the County Commissioner for District #7. timmelton@aol.com



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For Your ENTERTAINMENT

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Detroit Symphony Orchestra

Eric Kunzel and the Detroit Symphony Pops

A swing tribute arranged by Nelson Riddle. Oct. 14-17, tickets are \$14-68.

"In the Beginning" conducted by David Amado Oct. 16, tickets are \$8-31.

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ZZ TOP with special guest Lynyrd Skynyrd

The classic rock bands will be at the Palace of Auburn Hills Saturday Oct. 16. Tickets are \$29.50-38.50.

Iylana Vanzant

will perform at the Fox Theatre, Detroit, Friday Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$43, \$53. Call 313-983-6616

"Ah, Wilderness!"

Wayne State University Bonstelle Theatre season is kicked off with this Eugene O'Neill comedy. The play runs Oct. 15-24. Show days are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$8-10. Call 313-577-2960

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Meadow Brook Theatre Oct. 20- Nov. 14

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SWING

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Merrie Parr, 20, who attends OU also loves the sound of swing.

"The Velvet Lounge is the only place I know of that plays swing and has the swing atmosphere. I like the music and dancing. I'm also glad that there is a club where everyone can come together, dress how they like, have a good time and be socially accepted," said Parr.

Brian Goleniak is one of the managers at the Velvet Lounge. Goleniak stands by the Velvet Lounge's image of a classy, safe place to have fun.

"We have no fights or problems. We're in a safe area, and we have an extensive security staff. We have five security staff people at all times and we issue no warnings to trouble-makers. They are immediately removed so others can enjoy their night," said Goleniak.

Goleniak also remembers how the Velvet Lounge initiated swing into its daily routine.

"The Velvet Lounge started as a martini lounge. We played a lot of older songs, but some songs one could dance to. One day we thought it would be cool to have people dance here. So we started playing swing, and it caught on really fast. Then we started having people come in and teach others to dance and it took off from there," said Goleniak.

As for the future of the Swing Dance Society, Botosan and Champine have many activities planned. Sometime in the future, swing dance workshops and lessons on campus may be available.

The organization dispenses information about meetings and events via e-mail. Those students seeking more information are able to contact Anton Botosan, the president of the Swing Dance Society at swingkid1979@yahoo.com.

BEST MAN

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film is phenomenal and by the end of this film, each character has made his or her mark on you in one way or another. It is just too bad that Hollywood cannot achieve this kind of quality in each and every movie, because this is truly a masterpiece.

My favorite character in the movie is Terrence because every time he appears on the screen, he will pull some kind of emotion out of you.

Each character in the movie molds into the story exceptionally well. In some movies you can daydream, and others you may fall asleep. Neither apply here.

The Center for Student Activities

"What's Happening" This Week!

If you want to find out "what's happening" on OU's campus, this is the weekly column to read. This column is brought to you by The Center for Student Activities Office, Room 49 OC. Our phone number is 2400, on campus, or (248) 370-2400, off campus.

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Swing Band
October 15
Noon in the Pioneer Food Court

OU's First Ever "Midnight Madness"

Friday, October 15

Athletic Arena

Athletic and Recreation Building

First 500 OU students receive a free t-Shirt



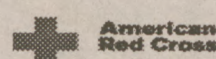
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OU Varsity Teams Introductions at 11:30 p.m.
OU Men's and Women's Basketball Teams
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A Scholarship Drawing for two tuition scholarships (12 undergraduate credits) for Winter Semester 2000. One scholarship will be awarded to a female OU Student and one for a male OU student. Winners will be selected in a random drawing and one must be present to win.

OU Annual Blood Drive

Oakland University will be sponsoring its annual Red Cross Blood Drive, Monday-Wednesday, October 18-20. The Blood Drive will take place from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., in the Gold Rooms, OC.

Halloween is the kick off of the 1999 Holiday season. Unfortunately, it is also the beginning of the critical months for the American Red Cross blood collection. Each year fewer and fewer donors are taking time from the hurried Holiday season to donate blood. Please take the time to donate this year each pint of blood will treat up to three patients. The average adult's body contains about 10-12 pints of blood and the body continuously makes new blood.



Giving blood is safe. This year, to show that giving blood is not scary, The American Red Cross will provide a free pass to the "Trilogy of Terror" Haunted House, located in Bloomer Park in Rochester Hills to those people who make an appointment and give blood. To make an appointment, please call the CSA Office at (248) 370-2400 off campus and 2400 on campus.

OU's Alcohol Awareness Week
(October 15-23) presents:

Magician and Illusionist
Don Parker



Friday, October 22, 1999
7:00-9:00 p.m. in Vandenberg Dining
Center, Vandenberg Hall

It's free. All Oakland University students faculty and staff are invited to attend.

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Oakland University events you can sign up for are:

- Make an appointment for the OU Blood Drive on October 18, 19 & 20 in the Gold Rooms, OC.
- The "Meadow Brook Ball" at Meadow Brook Hall on October 30th.
- SATE Professional Conference on November 13.

SPB events you can buy tickets for are:

- Trip to Minneapolis/St. Paul on November 4-7.
- Sign up for the Annual "Murder Mystery" at Meadow Brook Hall on November 13.
- Tickets to "Footloose" on November 14 at the Fisher Theatre.
- Sign up for the Annual SPB Ski Trip, January 21-23 at Shanty Creek
- Sign up for the December 10 "Battle of the Bands".

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OCT. 6	
MSU	3
Oakland	0
OCT. 9	
Oakland	3
Oral Roberts	1

WOMEN'S SOCCER

OCT. 8	
Oakland	4
Wisconsin-Green Bay	3
OCT. 10	
Oakland	2
Oral Roberts	0

VOLLEYBALL

OCT. 8	
Valpo	3
Oakland	1
OCT. 9	
IUPUI	3
Oakland	0

CROSS COUNTRY

Women	9th
Men	8th

GOLF

After day one of the Kangaroo Colonial Golf Classic the men were in fourth place.

UPCOMING GAMES

VOLLEYBALL

Oct. 13 - EASTERN MICHIGAN, 7 p.m.
Oct. 15 - at Chicago State, 7 p.m.
Oct. 16 - at Western Illinois, 4:30 p.m.
Oct. 19 - BOWLING GREEN STATE, 7 p.m.

MEN'S SOCCER

Oct. 13 - at Western Michigan, 3 p.m.
Oct. 16 - at Valparaiso, 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Oct. 15 - at Virginia Commonwealth, 7 p.m.
Oct. 17 - at Virginia, 1 p.m.

TENNIS

Oct. 15 - DETROIT MERCY, 3 p.m.

MEN'S SWIMMING

Oct. 16 - FLORIDA, 1 p.m.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

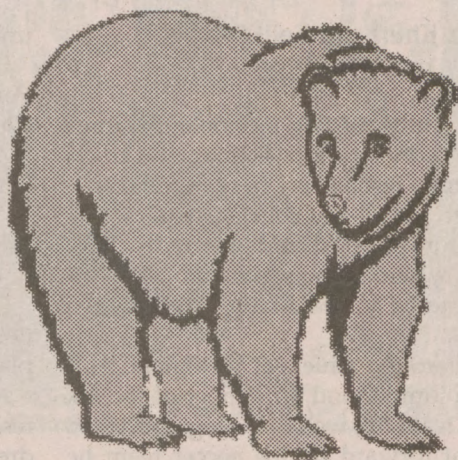
Oct. 16 - at Michigan Relays, Time, TBA.

WOMEN'S GOLF

Oct. 18 & 19 - at Butler University, Time, TBA

BLACK BEARS

Men fall short in final moments of game against Bowling Green on Saturday



By Ramez Khuri
OF THE OAKLAND POST

The Black Bears, OU's Club Ice Hockey team, played its second regular season game at home against Bowling Green State University on Saturday night.

The night started on a sad note, as there was a moment of silence for Stacie McBain, a member of Alpha Kappa Sigma, who passed away from cancer just a few days before.

The atmosphere picked up though as Jean Ann Miller, Assistant Director for Student Activities and Leadership Development at OU, got her chance to drop the ceremonial first puck and receive her very own Black Bears jersey from the team at center ice.

"It was awesome," said Miller. "It was such an honor for them to ask me, and to be part of this event."

"I think a varsity hockey team is in the future of OU, and I am really proud of this

team and what they have accomplished in such a short period of time."

That set the stage for two evenly matched teams to play an exciting, and hard hitting hockey game.

OU's goalie, Jeremy Sarnovsky, was stellar throughout. Unfortunately, so was Bowling Green's goalie as the shots on goal at the end of the first period was 15-8 in favor of the Black Bears, but the scoreboard read 1-1.

The first goal for OU was the second of the season in as many games for Steve Jalaba. "It feels good to get off to a good start, just to get that first goal was key. One of our players went down, and the puck came out of the left side, so I picked it up, skated across the blue line, and just ripped a slap shot, and the goalie never saw it," he said. Jalaba was assisted by Nick Cardoni.

The second period was equally exciting. As the game went on, the physical play by both teams increased, and the many OU

fans cheered louder and louder. This seemed to get under the skin of some of the Bowling Green players as they were making gestures to the fans at every stoppage in play.

The score at the end of the second period was 2-1 in favor of Bowling Green, but it could have been a lot worse. Sarnovsky once again came up huge, stopping 15 of 16 shots in the period to keep his team in the game.

For the second consecutive game, the Black Bears seemed to save its best hockey for the third period. For 19 minutes OU dominated Bowling Green and took a 4-3 lead.

Then disaster struck. It was as if Hurricane Floyd got into the game and took Bowling Green's side. OU gave up two goals in the final minute, losing a heart-breaker at the last second...literally. The final score was 5-4.

Head coach, Anthony Jalaba said, "I have seen major improvements from

the last game. I thought we did a better job executing our power play at the end of the game, and we did a good job with our aggressive forechecking the entire game."

"I am extremely proud of this team. What tonight's game tells me is that if we play like we can play, we can compete with anybody in the entire league." "Our team plays well in the third period because we are well conditioned. We stay focused, and that is based on our work ethic. We will only get better as time goes on," the coach said.

OU's other goal scorers were Eric Wojno, assisted by Robert Wishaw, Kevin Shamoun, assisted by Cardoni and Brian Lemkie, and Wishaw, assisted by Lemkie and Scott Schnedler.

The Black Bears next home game is at 7:30 p.m. on Friday against Grand Valley. The game will be played at the Onyx Rochester Ice Arena, and admission is free.



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ICE TIME: The Black Bears handle the puck in the game against Bowling Green State University on Friday. Assistant Robert Popescu makes a run for the puck to gain control.



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STANDING IN: Jean Ann Miller accepts a team jersey from the Black Bears. President Russi was scheduled to accept the jersey, however he canceled.

The Black Bears play at 7:30 p.m. on Oct 15 at the Onyx Rochester Ice Arena located on Dequindre Rd. and Parkdale Drive. The Black Bears travel to Michigan State University on Oct. 17 and to Grand Valley on Oct. 22.

Men split games



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GRIZZLIES ROAR: Michigan State University defeated OU on Oct. 3 with a final score of 3-0. OU had 23 fouls during the game and MSU had 12. On Oct. 9 OU kicked back into action defeating Oral Roberts 3-1 improving its overall record to 9-2-1. Scoring for OU were Paul Snape and Jason Perry. The men's next game is today at Western Michigan University. (left) Junior midfielder Viggo Anthonson jumps on the competition showing the Grizzlies passion.

Fast Facts

Mid-Continent Conference Players of the Month

- **Women's Soccer**
Junior Forward Kristen Luoma
- **Men's Soccer**
Sophomore Goalkeeper Mike Skolnik

Midnight Madness

- Midnight madness will be held at 10 p.m. on Oct. 15 at the O'Rena to introduce OU's athletic teams and to highlight the beginning of the men's and women's basketball seasons.
- OU will reward two undergraduate students present at Midnight Madness with a 12 credit scholarship. You must be present to win the prize.
- Free T-shirts will be distributed to the first 500 OU students.
- Cider and donuts immediately following the games courtesy of Paint Creek Cider Mill Restaurant.

Grizzlies on ice, will OU ever be a player in Hockeytown?

Hey, Hey Hockeytown! Or at least I think so. Last time I checked, Detroit and its suburbs was Hockeytown, but judging from this school, that's hard to tell.

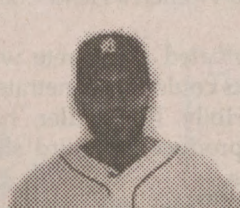
As you may have guessed already, I am a very big hockey fan, and I think that OU should start some serious talks about beginning a varsity hockey team here. Now, we do already have a club hockey team, the Black Bears, and that is a major first step, but it's still not varsity.

If the athletic department here is with me on this, and I hope it is, it should promote Black Bears home games. By doing that, it would see

how many OU students are passionate hockey fans, and then maybe it would seriously consider a varsity team.

Just by walking through the OC at lunch time, I hear things like, "Did you see that goal by Yzerman?" or, "Ozzy played a heck of a game last night, didn't he?" or even, "I beat that guys #@! when he tried to cross check me into the boards."

It's no coincidence that I hear these things, because this school, and this whole town for that matter



RAMEZ KHURI

is packed with hockey fans, and I think it's about time that OU students get a chance to cheer for a team other than the Red Wings and Vipers.

Don't get me wrong now, basketball, baseball, volleyball, and all the other sports that go on here are great, and fun to watch too. Heck, I spent all last year covering the Women's basketball team, and I enjoyed it.

By the way, did anybody happen to catch the U M, MSU game this

past weekend?

Well, I don't really care who won, but I bring it up to raise another point. OU DOES NOT HAVE A VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM EITHER!!! Can you imagine if we had hockey and football? We would be a major sports school. We already have a great basketball fan base, and I guarantee that OU students would go bonkers for hockey and football as well. Anyway, football is another issue that I am just not going to get into right now.

Back to hockey. If you're a student who happens to love the game, I encourage you to voice

your opinion to the athletic department about getting a varsity team. Maybe, just maybe, some one will listen and take action. If we ever do get a team, I will probably be long graduated already, but I hope that I could help make the difference with this column. In the mean time, go to Black Bears home games at the ONYX Rochester Ice Arena. I promise, you won't be disappointed...unless they lose.

Ramez Khuri is a junior journalism major and Assistant Sports Editor of THE OAKLAND POST.

Spotlight on the Black & Gold

JASON
PERRY



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post

By Ramez Khuri and Kelli Petrove
OF THE OAKLAND POST

Coming out of Southfield High school with three varsity sports letters in soccer, basketball and track, freshman defenseman Jason Perry has noticed differences between high school and college athletics.

"Now it's a lot more physical, and we have to think a lot quicker," Perry said. "The speed of play is different and having to be accurate with your passes a lot more."

Perry was an all around athlete at Southfield. As a long jumper, high jumper and a member of the 4 x 200 relay his track team did well in the regional meet.

Playing up front forward on his soccer team he helped the team place third in the state.

He was a power forward for the basketball team and the third leading scorer and second leading rebounder.

With Division I appeal, OU nabbed Perry from other universities.

"I came to OU to play soccer and try to get into the sports medicine program," Perry said. Perry still hasn't dedicated himself to the program and is an

undecided major.

If it was possible to play for any team in the world, Perry says he would play for either Barcelona or Club Michigan if he were to stay in the state.

An experienced student athlete, Perry seems to manage his time well.

"They (the athletic department) have everything pretty well structured for us so time managements not a problem," Perry said.

In the tiny amount of spare time that athletes have Perry likes, "going to the movies, talking to girls and playing PlayStation."

As for a future in soccer as a coach or playing professional, it's not that far out of reach and out of his dreams.

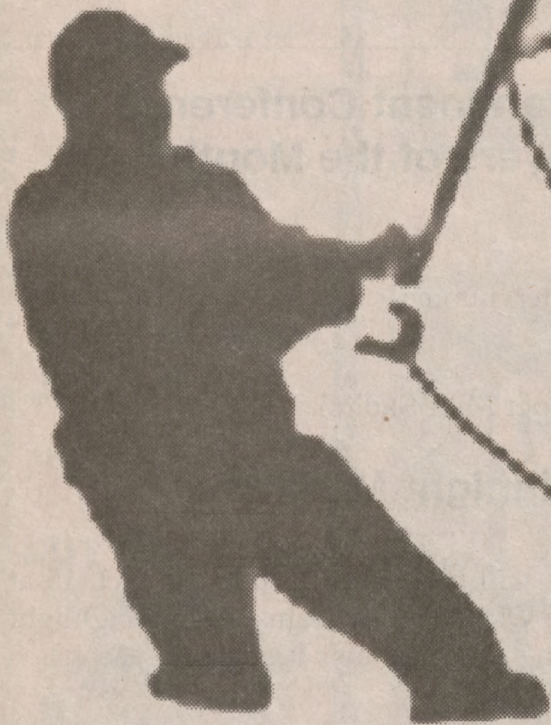
"Hopefully, I'll continue after graduation," Perry said, "if I can make it."

Perry has a supportive family who attends as many of his games as possible.

With the positive attitude, impressive time management skills and family support, Perry has a chance to fulfill his dreams.

Cast off

Returning to their birth place to close their lives, salmon offer fishermen a great challenge



By Cindy Blaylock
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The salmon are running and you're running out of time to catch 'em.

Every year the salmon return to the same spot where they were born only to die. But that's not exactly their purpose. A salmon's life cycle is only three years. They're hatched in a riverbed then swim out to the connected lake to enjoy their lives. After three years, if they survive a fisherman's wrath, they instinctively travel back to their origin to spawn. The female lays her eggs as the male waits to fertilize hundreds of future salmon. With this last endearing activity their energy is exhausted and the salmon lay to rest in the area where they were born. The cycle now begins anew.

Oceans and the Great Lakes are wonderful spots to fish for salmon during the season, but the run lasts only a few weeks out of the year.

"From the last week of September through the first week in October is your best bet," said Doug Ellis, a long time fisherman and resident of Petoskey.

The hot spots are fish weirs or small

waterfalls and dams. Salmon swim upstream towards their birth place, sometimes swimming hundreds of miles to reach their destinations. The DNR built the weirs to prevent the salmon from running upstream. The salmon will attempt to scale the wall of rushing water only to fail, becoming trapped in the area. This is where the fishermen come in.

"The male has only one thing on his mind," Ellis said. "Sex."

Both male and female stop eating on their way home so neither will bite at anything you put in the water. You catch them by using spawn, spoons or flies as bait and most use spinning rods to reel them in. When fishing this way you're just hoping to catch the fish at the right moment. The salmon are pretty busy and will sometimes get frustrated with you and attempt to swat at the bait just to get it out of the way. If you're lucky, they'll open their mouth and get hooked. Using the spawn as bait can also entice an occasional salmon, brown trout or steelhead waiting on the sidelines. These fish actually follow the salmon upstream to feast on the spawn which is caviar to the trout.

Pulling the salmon in can be tricky. If the hook gets embedded anywhere except the mouth it's illegal and considered a foul catch. A hefty fine will be imposed if this fish is kept.

"DNR officers have even been known to sit anonymously on the park benches along the river beds waiting for an illegal catch," Ellis said.

Once you've hooked your salmon you must shout, "Fish on!" This tells the other fishermen to pull their poles out of the water and leave room for you to reel in your prize. Salmon are a good sized fish weighing up to 30 pounds, which is definitely a trophy.

Some consider salmon the best tasting fish around. "The best way to cook them is either grilled or smoked," Ellis said.

Now, before you grab a pole and head up north there's one thing you should remember. You'll need a fishing license. You can purchase one for trout and salmon only or for All-Species. The cost ranges from \$3 for a 24-hour license to \$26 for a year-round permit. The DNR does patrol the lake waters so you can be fined if you're caught without a license.

Grizzlies put up concrete wall

OU Women's Soccer team hand opponents total defeat in two games last weekend

By Chelsea Charles
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The Golden Grizzly Women's Soccer team gave a golden showing when they defeated Wisconsin-Green Bay on Oct. 8 and Oral Roberts on Oct. 10.

The match between the Grizzlies and Green Bay was heated right from the beginning, with OU's Ashley McGhee scoring the first goal early on at the 6:25 minute mark. Green Bay did not back down, and tied the game 24 seconds later.

Although Green Bay scored once more before the end of the half, it was no match for the ball handling skills of OU's Kristen Luoma. She fired in two more goals, bringing the score at the end of the half to 3-2.

Luoma still had ammunition in the

second half, securing the win with a goal at the 58:53 minute mark. Luoma's three goals against Green Bay bring her season total to 35 points.

Towards the end, Green Bay began to pick up on the Grizzlies' defense and scored once more. But because of OU's united field, Green Bay came up short, with a final score of 4-3.

The Grizzlies played with equal intensity two days later against Oral Roberts. OU's defense hammered away with 18 shots on goal compared to Oral Roberts' eight attempts.

OU's Gail Wilson scored the only goal in the first half by a corner kick assist from Luoma. Wilson now has two game-winning goals this season.

During the second half Christine Selesky kicked another one in for the Grizzlies on a through ball from Kaja Lund.

OU defeated Oral Roberts with a final score of 2-0.

"In the Oral Roberts game, one of the things we have been working on is our offensive restarts, and we scored one goal off of those and had about five other really good chances, so I was very impressed," said Women's Head Coach Nick O'Shea.

OU defense created a concrete wall that Oral Roberts could not penetrate. Goalkeeper, Holly Runstadler, had eight saves to produce her third shut out of the season.

OU's victories from the weekend boosts its record to 9-3.

O'Shea said, "I thought the team played really well under adverse conditions during the Green Bay game. We got a red card ten minutes into the game, so we were playing 10 players against 11 the whole game, so we had a little tougher game than it should have been. They did very well, and they did what they had to do to win the game."



PUSHED ASIDE: Freshman defense and midfielder Debbie Cartmell stays ahead of the competition demonstrating the power of the Grizzlies team. The women defeated both Oral Roberts, their team rival, and Wisconsin-Green Bay to improve the overall record to 9-3.

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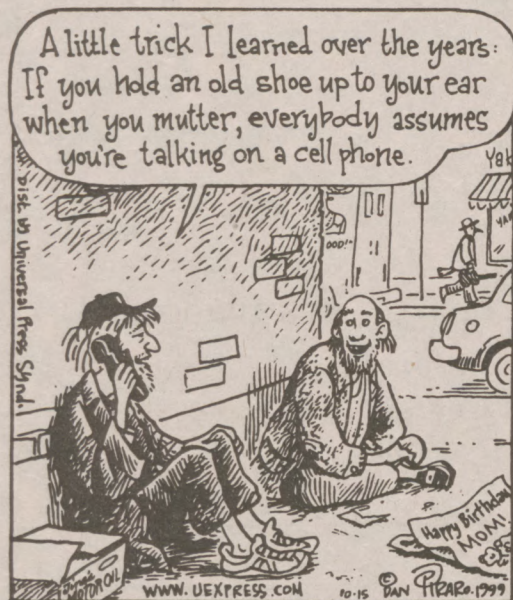
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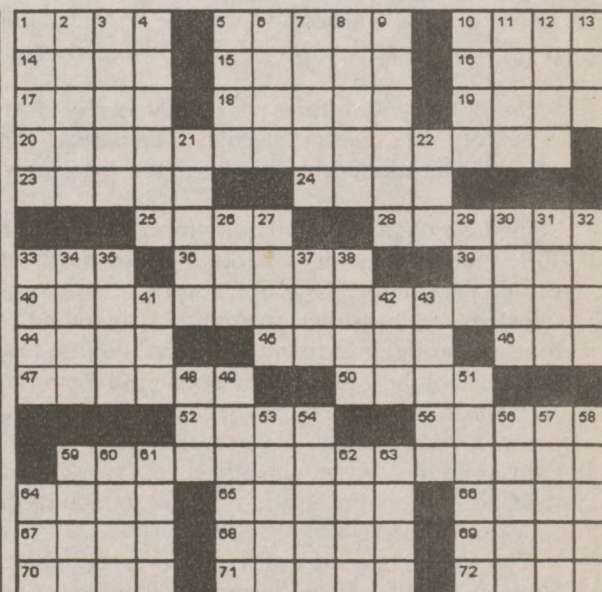
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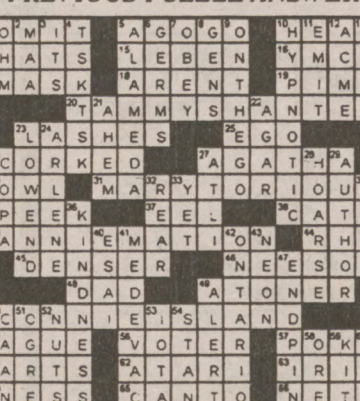
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PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER



Damon's Signs of the Times

October 13 - October 19



Aries (March 21-April 20) Don't doubt your vision for the future. Right now you have the energy and the wherewithal to become a good leader. Keep your ego in check and make sure your plan is airtight.



Taurus (April 20-May 20) A bad situation begins to progress in the right direction your patience should be paying off soon. Harsh criticism may come your way, but make sure you are not attracting it yourself.



Gemini (May 21-June 21) Hidden problems may come to the surface, but your objectivity will help you deal with them. Spontaneous insight may be correct, but make sure you don't hurt people from what you say.



Cancer (June 22-July 22) Emotional intensity is up this week, so express yourself positively and productively. Friends provide support for your life, though time with them may conflict your love life.



Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Work gets busy as previous project roadblocks are cleared - talking with a close confidant will help you keep your cool. Listen to your gut in difficult situations this week.



Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 23) Watch your sharp tongue this week, especially when travelling or dealing with distant associates. If you do travel, enjoy the bumpy ride and you may be rewarded with more than you expected.



Libra (Sept. 24-Oct. 22) Talk with someone about your finances and you will rest easier. A partner's issues is progressing slow, but it is progressing. Close family can help you deal with personal issues.



Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 22) Partnerships are starting to get easier, but watch your mouth or it'll all fall apart. This is a good time to hang out with friends and be social. You're ready to hang out.



Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Family life is probably frustrating now, but this will ease up soon. Your extra work at the job will be rewarded soon, so it will pay to put in more hours.



Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) A past romantic opportunity reappears or a current relationship problem makes headway - take advantage. A friend might have objectivity with your current love situation.



Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) Sudden family and home issues need to be addressed, but still keep an eye on your work life. A former relationship may become more intimate and make sure to think things through.



Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) A new love may be entering your life - decide on what you want out of the relationship and you will most likely get it. Work gets easier if you get assistance.

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If you or someone you know know is a die-hard lottery player, the Lotto-Bot, at www.Lottobot.net is the site to bookmark. Enter your lottery ticket numbers and an email address to be notified at, and Lotto-Bot checks your ticket after the draw and sends the results to you immediately. Michigan's Lotto, Big Game and drawings from around the world can be checked at the site.

The holidays are fast approaching. Please send me links to your favorite Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas sites.

If you have any questions, comments or cool websites you can contact Web Girl at

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NASA has an interesting site at www.jsc.nasa.gov/bu2/inflate.html, full of inflation calculators. Find out how much it costs to live in other cities around the world. You can plug numbers into their calculators to figure out the consumer price index, the employment cost index, and the GDP index.

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ART

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Disappearance at Sea, a study of film and film making by Tacinda Dean of the Tate Gallery, London. Tours are \$3 for students.

Even more interesting than the gallery is the Cranbrook House and the Gardens. There are 40 acres of land that surround the house that was built in 1908. Tours are \$4 for students.

The Outdoor Sculptures near the Academy of Art include the works of Carl Milles and Marshall Fredericks. Fredericks is a Michigan resident who also sculpted the statues outside of OU's Kresge library.

The Institute is about 10 miles from OU, travel time is about 10-15 minutes and it is about 7 miles north of downtown Birmingham. 1-877-GO CRANbrook

Just down the street in Pontiac, a network of galleries is infused throughout downtown. On the first Friday of every month all of the galleries stay open until 8 p.m.

Function Art, 21 North Saginaw, New Pontiac, features organics, metallics and glass work. Attached to that gallery is the Geraldine House; which has glass work from Poland and the Czech Republic, and Hip House; which has original concepts for furniture. 248-333-0333

Also worth checking out is the Lawrence St. Gallery, 6 North Saginaw, Pontiac. If you're an artist looking for a place to hang your hat or a connoisseur of sorts, it's walls are covered with breaking edge contemporary artwork. Featured now is the surrealism work of painter Jim Isakson. 248-334-6716

RELATIONSHIPS

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the Graham Health Center. They say that since the semester has started, there has been an increase in the number of students that have come in. All involve different topics, whether it is anxiety, guilt, or time management. Whatever the situation, the topic of relationships is almost always involved. In an Oakland Post survey, 85% of both male and females say that stress can be a definite factor in break-ups.

6. And most importantly, and probably the biggest mistake, DON'T take each other for granted. You never know what you've lost until it's actually gone.

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LEAD STORIES

• In August, Bob Thompson, who had just sold his Thompson-McCully road-building firm in Belleville, Mich., for \$422 million, dished out \$128 million of it in bonuses to his 550 workers, with each of 80 managers and salaried workers receiving an annuity worth at least \$1 million. Thompson said the gift was warranted because the company's success is "dependent on people." Said one worker to Thompson, "(T)here's nobody else in this world who would have done what you did."

• The death of a 49-year-old woman in Scotland in September brought to three the number of no-food, no-water, "breatharian"-diet followers of Australian Ellen Greve who have died of starvation in two years. Greve claims 5,000 disciples, charges more than \$2,000 (U.S.) per ticket for her seminars, and sells her philosophy ("liberation from the drudgery of food and drink") to Westerners in part to confer a spirituality on Third World hunger. Eating-disorder specialists quoted by the Times of London said, of course, that there is no scientific basis for Greve's teachings.

UNCLEAR ON THE CONCEPT

• On July 1, the Dallas Better Business Bureau began charging consumers \$9.50 for the privilege of listening to their complaints of being ripped off by local businesses.

• In April in Riverside, Calif., Allen Randolph Payne, 40, was sentenced to 1,113 years in prison for molesting his three daughters over most of their adolescent and teen years. Not only did their mother, Carol Payne, side with Allen at trial, but, according to one daughter, Carol once chased her around the house with a baseball bat and a gun after finding her in bed with Allen.

• In March, a United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization conference in Italy issued a news release encouraging a growth in world food supply by increasing the rabbit population but expressed concern that governments would miss the opportunity because of their "lack of training" in getting rabbits to breed.

RECURRING THEMES

• News of the Weird has reported several cases of animals' DNA being crucial to criminal cases, including pets' blood and hair in human murder cases (1997 and 1998) and prime-rib DNA as important to a cattle-rustling case (1994). In July 1999, The Wall Street Journal reported that Canadian authorities will introduce a test in November to make it easier to catch tree thieves (a \$50 million (U.S.)-a-year crime industry) by comparing the genetic material from stumps with that of recently cut logs.

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