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Flow causes flood

By ROQAYA ESHMAWI
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

A runaway sprinkler caused a flood in the student apartments. Officers were dispatched to apartment building 2000, when a call about a water flow in the janitor's closet of the building was received by OUPD at approximately 10:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 20, Lt. Mel Gilroy said.

While the officers were investigating, a resident informed them that the sprinkler in his room had come on and would not stop. However, the officers were unable to stop the flow. The apartment flooded and the water flow damaged the apartment under it.

"The failure of a sprinkler head (in the fire suppression system) in the student's apartment was the cause (of the flow)," Gilroy said.

Senior Ernest Wilson, one of the four residents of the apartment that flooded, said that his roommate was in the apartment when the sprinkler went off.

Worried because officers were not able to stop the flow and about damage to their belongings, Wilson said, "we were wondering if they (OU) were liable ... they were trying to calm us down," Wilson said.

After about an hour, Wilson said, one of his roommates suggested turning off the water to the entire building ... "like they couldn't come to that conclusion on their own," Wilson said.

Senior Carnel Haynie, one of the residents in the other apartment, said he was plugging in his grill to make some steaks when water came out of the outlet onto his hand and caused a spark.

He heard an alarm go off, signaling residents to evacuate. "I thought I was the cause of it at first," he said.

Upon leaving his apartment and learning that his friends' apartment was flooding, Carnel took blankets upstairs to his friends.

When he went back to his apartment to unplug his appliances, he said he found water coming out of the light fixtures as well.

When his brother and roommate, senior Carlando Haynie, found out that his friends' apartment upstairs was flooding, he requested that officers turn off the water before it entered their apartment.

"I just didn't understand why they wouldn't turn off the water," Carlando said.

OUPD officers "have not

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Aid changes needed

By LAURA ANGUS
THE OAKLAND POST

What seemed to some like a long wait for Financial Aid is finally over. But that doesn't mean the system is working well for students.

Some students incurred late fees while waiting for Financial Aid checks to come so they could pay their tuition bills, but

the Financial Aid office said that is how the system works.

Federal law says schools can distribute Financial Aid funds up to 10 days before the start of school; but freshman, first time borrowers do not get their loans until 30 days after the first day of class.

OU distributes its funds on the last day students can drop a class with a 100 percent tuition

refund. This year, that date fell on Sept. 7 but bills were due Aug. 10.

Refunds for federal aid are sent out within 14 days of the disbursement date. There are no set refund deadlines for institutional funds.

If everything is all set for a student's Financial Aid before the first bill is issued, then the student won't be charged a late

fee, said Cindy Hermesen, director of the Financial Aid office.

However, if students wait to take care of their application, and the Financial Aid is not posted before the first bill is due, then students are responsible to pay the bill or face a late fee.

"That's why we always say, if you have a bill, you gotta pay that bill," Hermesen said.

Even if students complete the FAFSA in February, but wait to fix errors or turn in tax documents, their applications will be delayed.

Hermesen said she thinks Financial Aid should be sent out earlier than it is. It would be easier for students, and less confusing for everyone.

"I would like to see students get

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New ice cream eatery opens



Tracy Estes/The Oakland Post

Cold Stone Creamery offers 16 basic ice cream flavors. But the real treats are the plethora of mix-ins available for customers at this newly-opened store off Walton and Adams.

By SHEILA KOSZTOWNY
THE OAKLAND POST

For a tip, whether a penny or more, they'll sing and serve you ice cream at the same time. Just ask them to belch out their remade classics, "Cold Stone Boogie" or "We've been mixing on the cold stone all the live long day."

Cold Stone Creamery, a "premium" ice cream shop, has opened a location near OU's campus, off Walton Boulevard and Adams Road.

Cold Stone offers 16 basic ice cream flavors and can add any mix-in(s)—nuts, fruit, candy and baked goods—into the ice cream.

The franchise derived its name from

the mixing process. The ice cream and mix-in(s) are combined on a 16 degree Fahrenheit granite stone, just enough to freeze the ice cream, yet pliable enough to intermix.

Their famous Cold Stone Originals are taste-tested creations with flashy names like the Mud Pie Mojo or Sinless Island. Cup sizes are not traditionally referred

to as small, medium and large, but rather "like it," "love it" and "gotta have it."

All of these tasty treats are made fresh daily with basic ingredients: sweet cream and a flavor recipe. Manager Fred Barker claimed, "Once they taste it they are going to keep coming back."

Their sweet cream ice cream is made

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Printing fees anger students

By LIBBY BAKER
MANAGING EDITOR

For the second week in a row, OU Student Congress (OUSC) heard complaints from students regarding the new printing fees.

The fees, which went into effect this semester, were put in place to save money, not to make it, according to Theresa

Rowe, assistant vice president of university technology services.

Rowe said there was a "significant amount of money going in the trash."

On top of the cost of wasted paper, Rowe said there were also situations where non-OU students took advantage of the free printing at OU.

The decision to impose printing fees was made during the summer months after comparing OU's policies and procedures with those at other universities.

Many OUSC members said they were concerned that there were not students consulted during the decision making process.

OUSC president, Jonathan Parks, said the decision seems rushed and was concerned that they were not consulted.

Rowe said the current printing fee is just a starting point and will be reviewed in the spring.

"If we find we can give out more copies we will," she said.

In other business:

*Mary Beth Snyder, vice president of student affairs, said Spirit Cards would soon have banking functionality. The changes will allow student employees to have paychecks directly deposited into accounts, and the card can be used as a MasterCard debit, she said. The

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Library for visually impaired celebrates 30 years

By RACHAEL BARNETT
THE OAKLAND POST

If you have the ability to read this clearly, you have something to be thankful for. Luckily, for those who can't, there is the Oakland County Library for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

The Library celebrated 30 years of service to the county with an open house Tuesday.

Founded in 1974 by Beverly Papai, a librarian, the library offers resources for Oakland County citizens who are visually and physically impaired. It was originally located at the Farmington

Hills Library for the first 20 years, before moving to its current location in the Oakland County complex in Pontiac. Papai is now the Director of the Farmington Community Library.

Any Oakland County resident with a medical condition that prevents them from reading traditional print is free to join by filling out an application. This location is the only one in Oakland County.

The Library is jointly funded with Oakland County and the Library of Congress.

The material available includes audio books, Braille books, descriptive videos, large print books, adaptive tech-

nology and computer software. The library's descriptive videos are popular. The video is just like the original, but also includes descriptions of actions at points where there is no dialogue.

This allows the entire family to view the same video together.

"We offer customized services for a particular group of people. Patrons become part of our lives and we try to assist them in any way possible," said Laura Mancini, director of Oakland County Library Services.

The library also has CCTV units that greatly magnify and display reading

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Oakland County Library for the Blind and Visually Impaired has a vast collection.

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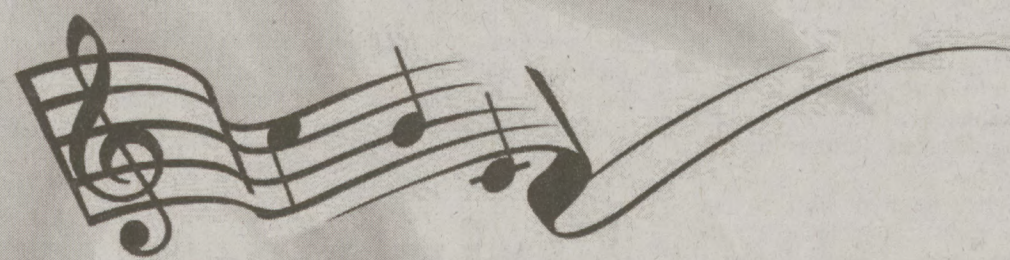


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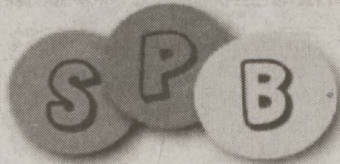
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Love doc advises

BECOMING YO U

Editors Note: This is the second in a continuing series about identity formation in college years.

BY STACY BALAS
THE OAKLAND POST

When it comes to secrets of a successful marriage, women, unlike men, have a hard time with conflict, Terri Orbuch, sociology professor, said during a lecture about the secrets to a successful relationship last week.

"Women don't like conflict," she said. And the number one conflict for women is who does what tasks around the home. Women want higher partner participation, she said.

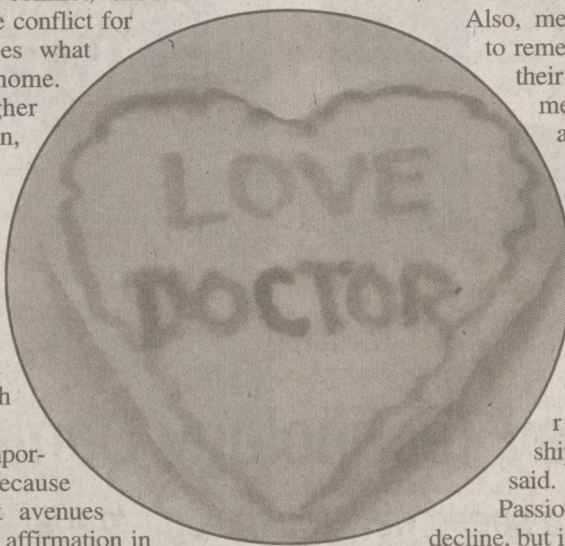
But men want to be affirmed by their partners, it makes them happier in the relationship and the "relationship is more likely to last over time," Orbuch said.

This is not as important for women because they have different avenues where they can find affirmation in their lives. Men, however, only have one partner that they look to for affirma-

tion, she said.

Also, men tend not to remember when their last argument or disagreement was. But "women analyze and hold on to conflicts and it spills over into the relationship," Orbuch said.

Passion will also decline, but it's common for it to start declining after one and one-half to two years of the relation-



False Myths About Love

- Living together before tying the knot can only strengthen your bond.
- When you meet the right one for you, you'll definitely know it.
- The elderly are the loneliest age group in America.
- Men are more hesitant about making a commitment and more likely to initiate an eventual breakup than women.

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DNX & OU partner up

BY BRENDAN J. STEVENS
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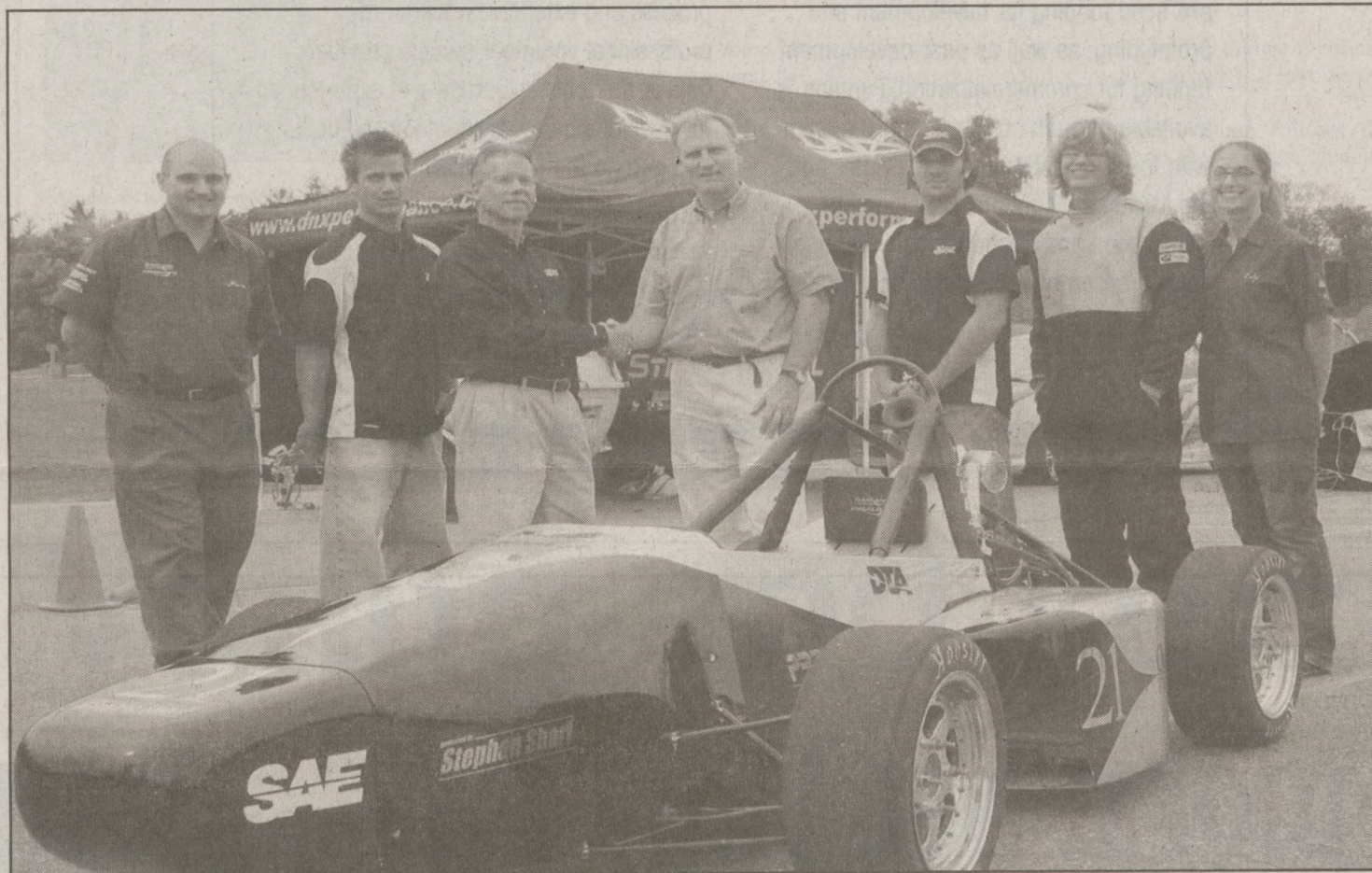
Wrapping up a four-month and more than 20,000-mile journey, the DNX Tuner Tour made its last stop on the campus of OU on Friday.

The two Tuner Tour drivers, Pat Saunders, an OU graduate, and Eric Leichter made the final pit stop with their tweaked out 2004 Ford Focus in Lot #37.

But it wasn't just a celebration of a long journey that came to an end; it also marked the beginning of a partnership between Tenneco, DNX's parent company, and OU's Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) racing team.

"SAE, in general, is not very publicized," Carly Coward, graduate student and co-president of the group, said. "If we can get our name out there, we can piggy-back off of DNX. This is a great opportunity for both us and them."

The team's main driver and co-president, Greg Stevenson, said the group has improved tremendously over the last couple years and it will be helpful



From left to right: Mario Farruga, from OU's Formula SAE team, Eric Leichter, from DNX Tuner Tour, Terry Heffelfinger, from Tenneco Automotive, Brian Sangeorzan, OU's SAE faculty advisor, Pat Saunders, from DNX Tuner Tour, Greg Stevenson, an OU Formula SAE team leader, and Carly Goward, an OU Formula SAE team leader, pose behind OU's Formula SAE car.

Brendan Stevens/The Post

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Surgeon General visits OU campus

NICOLE BEATTIE
THE OAKLAND POST

If you saw students and faculty dressed in bright yellow shirts, walking around campus last week, you probably saw them participating in That Walking Program, part of Oakland University's first-ever Wellness Week, promoting students, faculty and staff to improve health habits and educate themselves on wellness.

To kick things off, That Walking Program held a meeting outside OU's Recreation Center, Monday, Sept. 20, where Michigan's Surgeon General, Kimberlydawn Wisdom, encouraged participants to make a commitment to live a healthier lifestyle.

Participants were told to log how many steps they took each day using a pedometer, a device that clips on a belt or pair of pants and measures active movement. While the goal of the program was 10,000 steps per day (5

miles), it was most important that each participant reach his or her own personal goal.

At the end of the week, the log becomes a ticket to be entered into a raffle at a prize drawing event where participants can celebrate and share in the success of reaching their goals.

About 70 people registered to count their steps. Aldona Sonta, chairperson of the Wellness Committee and manager of training and development, said last Monday, "but we are hoping to register as many more as possible."

This event marks the first time the Wellness Committee has partnered with the Center for Student Activities to organize wellness programs for the university.

"I commend OU for taking the first step towards promoting a healthy lifestyle," Wisdom said at the event last Monday.

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Chocolate: once feared, forever savored

BY BLYTHE A. SIMMONS
THE OAKLAND POST

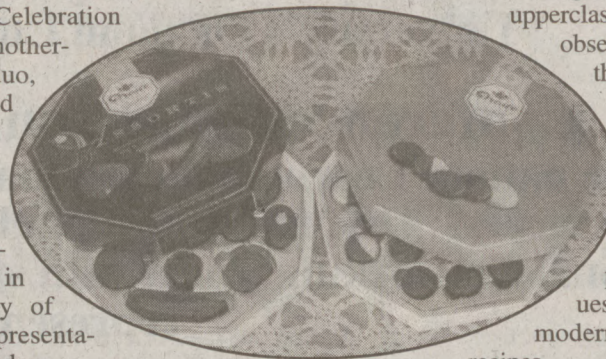
Adding to the vibrant feel of Hispanic Celebration Month, mother-daughter duo, Maria and Maria Domingue's shared a little of their Mexican heritage with OU in their "History of Chocolate" presentation last Thursday.

The presentation was scheduled by the Center for Student Activities (CSA) as a part of its "Lunch & Learn" series, in

conjunction with Kresge Library's film series presentation of "Like Water for Chocolate."

The Domingue's, both OU upperclassmen, guided observers through the rich history of chocolate, from its beginnings with the ancient Maya to the part it continues to play in modern Mexican recipes.

According to the Domingue's' sources, chocolate has gone



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In Short

OU enrollment increases

OU's fall student enrollment for 2004 has increased by two percent over last fall, standing at 16,902 students.

This semester's headcount is 326 students over last fall's 16,576 students.

OC bookstore runs out of scantrons

The OU bookstore ran out of green scantrons last Thursday and red scantrons yesterday morning. This happened "with the (scantron) transition that the university is undergoing," Debbi Ogg, OC store manager, said. She placed an overnight order which should arrive today and the original order should arrive on Friday.

UGS gives \$21 million to OU

UGS, a former subsidiary of EDS (Electronic Data Systems,) is giving a \$21 million gift to the School of Engineering and Computer Science, OU President Gary Russi said at the senate meeting last Thursday.

OU's Upcoming Events

Wednesday, Sept. 29

No Major? No Problem Workshop @ 12 p.m. in the OC's Oakland Room.

James Carville, Democratic Party advisor, and his wife **Mary Matalin**, Republican Party advisor, will come from Washington and speak @ 6:30 p.m. in the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion.

Thursday, Sept. 30

Last day to register for **Smoking Cessation Classes**, call (248 - 370 - 2341).

Fall 2004 Career Fair @ 11 a.m. in the OC's Banquet Rooms - Engineering, Technical, Nursing, Health and Science Candidates.

Friday, Oct. 1
Fall 2004 Career Fair @ 11 a.m. in the OC's Banquet Rooms - Business and Liberal Arts Candidates.

Saturday, Oct. 2

Metro Detroit American Heartwalk @ 9 a.m. on the Meadow Brook Festival Grounds.

Monday, Oct. 4

OUSC meeting @ 4 p.m. in the OC's Oakland Room.

Tuesday, Oct. 5

Depression Screening Day @ 11:15 a.m. in the OC, through Oct. 6.

For more information, please visit OU's campus calendar at www.oakland.edu

~ Compiled by Roqaya Eshmawi
Campus News Editor

Police Beat

• It's either a wrong number, or a really upset female that has been calling a student in Vandenberg Hall leaving a few choice words. The student says she has also received a few notes in the laundry room, suspected as being left by the same mystery caller. The student believes the caller's name is Britney, but is not sure who she is.

• A good time with a few drinks became not so good as one underage female failed to provide identification in West Vandenberg and became very hard to control when questioned. After hunting down the student's identity and contacting her permanent residence, the female's mood seemed to take a complete turn, from very

passive to hysterical. Aside from kicking over chairs and attempting to spit on the officers, the female began chanting that it was time to die and tried to choke herself with her sweater. The student was restrained, placed on a stretcher and taken to Crittenton Hospital for psychological evaluation, where she was met by her mom.

• Heels may be fashionable, but they're not so great to walk in. A student in Pawley Hall can attest to that, as she fell down, cutting her right foot and left knee after getting her high heel caught in a mud grate entering the building. The weather was clear and the area dry, so the shoes are to blame. She was given first-aid and is fine.



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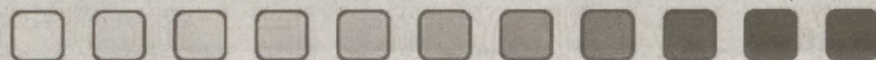
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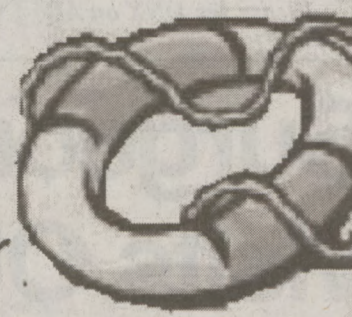
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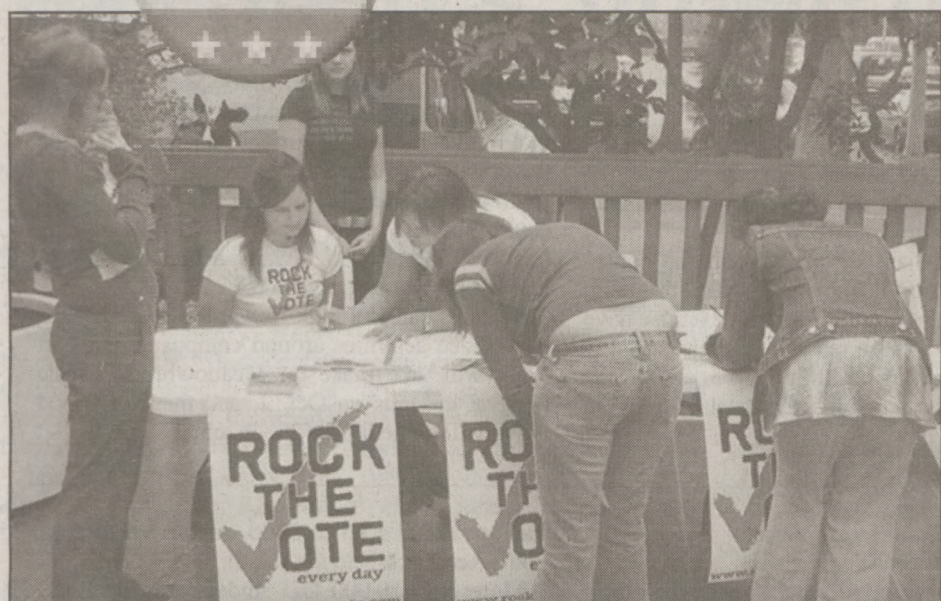
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Get out the
VOTE

Students sign up



By TARA FUGATE
THE OAKLAND POST

Voting seems to be a growing trend among young adults aged 18-24 years.

As of Sept. 24, 631,938 of these Michigan residents had registered to vote and 1.2 million between the ages of 18-29.

"It's pretty remarkable," said Ken Silfven, spokesman for the Secretary of State's office.

For the last year, the Secretary of State's office has been making an effort to raise voter awareness among America's youngest demographic by sending mobile branches to college campuses to register students.

"[We're] working to raise awareness about voting and what voters need to do to be prepared," Silfven said.

However, it is not just the Secretary of State's offices reaching out to young voters.

The New Voters Project has been working in five states, encouraging young Americans to vote in November's election.

"You can't rely on other people to look out for your interests, unless you're part of the political process," said Adam Alexander of the New Voters Project.

The New Voters Project has registered an estimated 240,000 young voters since it began its campaign nine months ago.

"Young people have a great deal at stake in the election, because they have

to live with these decisions the longest," Alexander said.

Rock the Vote's advertisements have been seen on networks geared at young audiences, such as MTV, BET and on Web sites like MySpace.com.

This campaign started in the fall of 2003 in hopes of reaching out to new, young voters.

Their campaign, like others, has had much success.

"The issues effect them today and in the future. If you want a say in policies, you need to vote and be educated in the issues," said Jay Stress of Rock the Vote.

Students have been very receptive to campaigns and have responded enthusiastically.

Sophomore Darcy Thompson has seen the ads shown on MTV and feels they've helped raise awareness among young voters, who otherwise would not be paying attention to politics.

"People can see that it's a privilege. I've noticed that, since I've gotten older. [Voting is] a privilege and we should hold on to that. When people don't take advantage of a privilege, it can easily be taken away," Thompson said.

Kevin Losey, junior, also has a positive view of the ads on TV and radio stations.

"The majority of things involving politics involve us and will involve our children," Losey said.

Though not everyone follows the conventions and the debates, students

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Out-of-state voters have choice

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

Along with the criticism young people are receiving about their poor voter turnout, they are facing another challenge in this year's presidential election.

The Census Bureau reported that only about 30 percent of the registered voters between 18 and 24 voted in the 2000 presidential election. This year, that number could be even lower because of a law passed in 2000 that could prevent college students from voting, even if they are registered.

Under this law, the voter's address on his or her driver's license must match that of their voter registration card.

This means that college students who are registered to vote using their home address but who have driver's licenses from a college town, or even out of state, may not get to vote at all. Absentee ballots are the solution to this challenge.

"It's important for students to remember they can cast their votes by absentee ballots and it's a pretty easy process," Jaquetta Talbott, a worker at the Secretary of State branch office in Shelby Township said.

The deadline for Michigan voters to register an absentee ballot is 2 p.m. Oct. 30.

Students can request an absentee ballot by getting a pre-printed application from any local clerk's office or by submitting a signed request in writing to the city or township clerk with the reason they can't vote in person.

"The important thing to remember about voting absentee is that the student must have already voted in his or her home district before they can request an absentee ballot," Talbot said.

This poses a problem for first-time voters. First-time voters can only vote by absentee ballots if they have registered to vote in person.

According to the Secretary of State, voters who register to vote online or by mail must vote in person Nov. 2.

The state is taking some steps to make the process less complicated for students.

The Secretary of State will automatically change the address on a student's driver's license and send the person a change of address sticker to adhere to it, according to the Michigan Secretary of State Web site. This way students can vote in their college town, and if they choose to, they can change their address back to their home address after the

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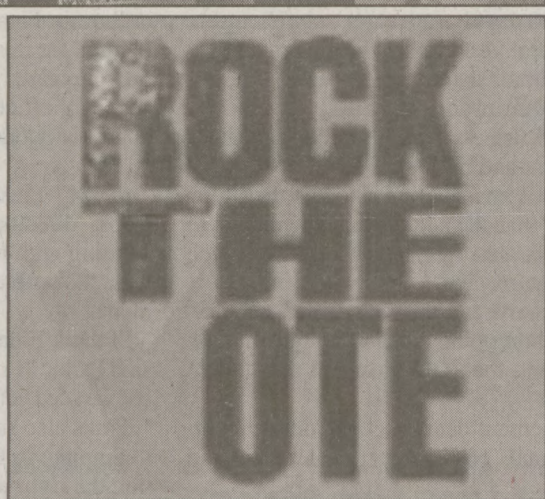


Photo courtesy of Rock the Vote
Volunteers help students register through "Rock the Vote."

Register to vote

The deadline to register to vote in the Nov. 2 election is Oct. 4.

Voting and sex:

Some say multi-gasm campaign is mega-mockery

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

"On Nov. 2, I will vote, I will get laid. I will love America."

That is the slogan for one of this year's political season's more controversial campaigns to get young people to vote.

Votergasm.org proposes that young voters pledge to have sex with only voters and withhold sex from non-voters.

The campaign's goal is to send 100,000 new voters to vote in the 2004 election and to set off at least 250,000 orgasms by the morning of Nov. 3.

Twenty-three-year-old Michelle Collins, Fotergasm.org director and spokeswoman, said the campaign's goal is to increase voter turnout and sexual activity.

"Millions of people 18 to 24 didn't vote in the last presidential election and even a larger number didn't have sex that night," Collins said.

She said she hopes

Votergasm.org will change that during this election.

"We want to make voting and voters sexy and have people look at them in a different way," she said.

"Politics and sex are so closely related, but they are usually linked in a bad way, with taboos and scandals. We're hoping to prove that politics can be clean and beautiful, like sex."

Votergasm.org, which launched Sept. 1, already has had more than one million hits to the site and has more than 7,000 people taking the Fotergasm pledge.

Voters can pledge on the Web

site one of three levels of commitment for the cause.

"Citizens" pledge to withhold sex from non-voters for a week following the election.

"Patriots" pledge to have sex with a voter on election night and withhold sex from non-voters for the week following the election.

and to gain the group's highest honor, "American Hero," one must pledge to have sex with a voter on election night and to withhold sex from non-voters until the next presidential election, four years from now.

More than 600 people have registered to vote on the site, but

the other links such as cartoons illustrating the Fotergasm process and where to find election night parties are proving to be more popular.

Collins said the election night parties are the "climax of the Fotergasm experience." Members can find an election night party in their area or get tips on how to put together their own.

"When you go out, vote and have hot sex with a young voter, culminating and completing that cycle, you have completed a Fotergasm," Collins said.

As the campaign gains steam, though, some people are concerned about the way the group is encouraging voting and many are not taking the group seriously.

"While we highly encourage voter participation this Nov. 2, there are more appropriate and effective ways of going about it," junior Michael McGuinness, OUSC Vice

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Photo courtesy of michaelmoore.com
Moore addresses a crowd of more than 5000 students at CMU.

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

"A girl got a pet goat. She liked to go running with her pet goat. She played with her goat in her house."

Filmmaker and director Michael Moore kicked off what he is calling the "Slacker Uprising Tour," a 62-speech pre-election tour by reading "The Pet Goat" to an audience of more than 600 people in Elk Rapids, Mich. That was the book President George W. Bush was reading with a Florida elementary school class when he heard about the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

This relatively subdued attack

on Bush was just the first of many in Moore's campaign to encourage "slackers" who usually don't vote to head to the polls.

"If there ever was a time it was important to get involved in your country, this is the time," Moore said in his speech.

He said that the outcome of the 2004 election will depend on which side does better at turning out the vote so people who normally don't vote could make a difference in this presidential race.

"Fifty percent of the country doesn't vote, and a lot of them are slackers like me, so I said

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Global Glance

Quake rocks West Coast

A 6.0 earthquake struck central California yesterday morning. The quake was felt from San Francisco to Los Angeles. A series of aftershocks were felt following the main earthquake. There were no immediate reports of injuries.

Hostages released

Two female Italian hostages kidnapped in Iraq have been released, according to Italy's prime minister. Simona Torretta and Simona Pari were working for a group called Bridge to Baghdad. They were taken hostage Sept. 7, after insurgents raided their office.

Florida hit fourth time

Floridians are again cleaning up debris after Hurricane Jeanne tore through the state last weekend. Jeanne left a trail of destruction and will cost approximately \$6 billion in insured losses. Jeanne was the fourth hurricane to hit Florida in six weeks. The storms have prompted the largest relief effort ever undertaken by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Asteroid approaches Earth

The space rock Toutatis will make a close celestial brush with the planet this week. Toutatis is the largest asteroid ever known to pass near Earth and is large enough to cause global devastation. However, scientists say there is no danger of the rock hitting Earth. It will not be visible to the unaided eye.

Global goof

Sarah Young woke up one morning without any nuts on her buckeye tree, that is. Was it the work of busy squirrels or a buckeye bandit? Young suspects the latter. "It's nuts!" Young said. "I want my buckeyes back."

It happened again last weekend. Young returned to her rural home about 25 miles southeast of Columbus and found her second buckeye tree shorn. A neighbor's buckeye tree also had been plundered.

Young and Fairfield County Sheriff Dave Phalen suspect there's a market for supplying the shiny, brown nuts to jewelry makers who sell buckeye necklaces on the streets around Ohio State University on football game days. "The only thing I could think of is that they make buckeye necklaces and obviously that's why somebody would want them," Phalen said. "You can't eat them."

They have come up with a composite of the perpetrator.



-Compiled by Libby Baker,
Managing Editor

Information taken from
various news sources.

The elder Domingue's said she can understand why people were so afraid of chocolate in the beginning. "Chocolate gets your

After the presentation, students and faculty snacked on homemade Mexican favorites from the Domingue's kitchen, including the spicy Mole Poblano de Pollo (Chocolate Chicken), Mexican hot chocolate and cherry cordial and chocolate tequila candies.

Hispanic Celebration 2004 ends today at noon with the Ceremonia de Despedida (closing ceremony) in the OC's Fireside Lounge.

The team also used in-kind, or non-monetary, donations of labor and materials to support itself. National Instruments supplied the team with soft-

"You get young engineers that work together, they can problem solve and they can organize," Heffelfinger said. "That's what you need. Young people that are not only book smart, but are hands on."

Some of the residents feel that OU should be liable for damages

The contract that residents sign states, "the university assumes no liability for any claim of loss, injury or damage

"We're working very diligently ... (we) plan on getting them back at the apartments as soon as possible," she said.

Four new student internships will be available at the new Credit Union One branch, which will be located in the space that used to house Copystop, he said.

"Over the next seven years," Fekel said, "Credit Union One will be providing a minimum of four ATMs on campus." Students and staff that open accounts with Credit Union One will also be able to access their accounts through their Spirit Cards. The

All of these changes are optional, said Snyder. Students and staff will not be forced to open Credit Union One accounts or close their established MSU Credit Union accounts.

- Congress passed bill 05-10

- Tamara Kukuk was approved as a Student Activity Funding

•OUSC's next meeting is Monday, Oct. 4, at 4 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the OC.

They have 68,000 audio books and there are currently 3,500 registered patrons.

The library is located at 1200 North Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, MI and is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Orbuch is a research scientist at the University of Michigan. She is also known as the Love Doctor and can be heard on Magic 105.1 on Tuesday mornings, seen on Fox 2 on Mondays at 8:45 p.m. and her columns are available in the Observer Eccentric.

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POINT / COUNTER POINT

Has the U.S. grown out of the Electoral College?

YES

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

Imagine a country where there is no direct presidential election, the popular vote is inconsequential and third-party candidates never have a chance.

That is what democracy is in America with the Electoral College in place.

The Electoral College was initially instituted to help resolve inter-state disputes over power and land, and was aimed, in part, at stopping the general public, the "uneducated masses," from having direct political power. And this is what it is still doing today — taking away the right of the people to elect their officials, for fear they may misuse their political power, and putting it into the hands of the officials themselves.

NO

By LIBBY BAKER
MANAGING EDITOR

The Electoral College has played an important role in American politics since its creation in 1787 by the Founding Fathers.

It was originally developed because many of our forefathers believed ordinary citizens might not be knowledgeable enough to select a president. It also gave extra power to our smallest states whose size would render them powerless.

Over time, its original purpose has come into question, especially in the wake of the 2000 election.

Many people have even called for it to be abolished.

However flawed the system may be, there are still many reasons why it must remain a part

The Electoral College has and will continue to have destructive effects on American politics and government. How can this country claim to be a democracy when there have been instances where the candidate who won the popular vote has not won the presidency?

More than a dozen times, a president has been elected without a majority of the votes and, in a handful of instances, the winner of the Electoral College vote was beaten by another candidate in the popular vote.

In addition to being the antithesis of self-governing, the Electoral College acts as a roadblock for third-party candidates.

Anyone who has ever taken the time to read his or her ballot knows there are more than 20 "third-parties" voters can

choose from, but who has ever heard of them.

What does that say about the nation that boasts its diversity and prides itself on its multicultural government?

None of these parties has ever been a serious contender because, in recent history, not one has had the support to gain a majority of state votes to win its electoral votes.

So sadly, a vote for a third party is pretty much a wasted vote, which should not even exist in a true democracy.

In a true democracy, every vote would count and every voice would be heard.

The Electoral College is single-handedly destroying democracy in this country by taking away its most important aspect — a government for the people, by the people.

of our election process.

The Electoral College allows our nation's smaller states a larger role in the outcome of elections, because our smallest states are guaranteed at least three electoral votes.

This seems minimal in the overall picture, but it is a larger proportion of the electoral vote than these states would have in an election determined by the popular vote.

Further, if the popular vote alone determined the winner, candidates would spend all their time and resources in the heavily populated areas giving smaller cities and rural areas even less influence than they already have now.

Many candidates have won presidential elections with less than a majority of the popular vote. If the Electoral College

were abolished we could have an unlimited number of candidates receiving votes, and in the end the winner might be a candidate who garnered only a small percentage of the total vote, but still had received more than any other candidate.

The Electoral College also promotes political stability in our country, because it encourages a two party system.

It is virtually impossible for a new or minor party to capture enough votes to win an election. So instead of having many parties representing many different views, we have two large parties representing the needs of most Americans.

Abolishing the Electoral College would make an already difficult system even more complicated.

was invited to this event by my sister, who recently joined the College Republicans and I was certainly glad that I had the opportunity to attend this high class and well-organized event.

How any reasonable person could find any of the speakers at this event controversial is beyond me. Every speaker was professional, engaging, well mannered and very informative; unfortunately, quite the opposite of many of the attendees of this event.

I believe that all due respect was exceedingly shown to all attendees, including and especially, to Nora Mohammad, the attendee upon whom The Post articles focused much of their attention. Her many belligerent comments were certainly unwelcome by those attendees who came to listen to Robert Spencer, whose many years of study and research into the affairs of Islam was professionally prepared and delivered and provided attendees such as myself with much objective and carefully researched factual information.

Nora's rudeness and belligerence seemed to be more of a personal insecurity more than anything else. There was not the slightest hint of personal disdain for any Islamic attendees (the black veil worn by Nora made it clear that she was

Please see LETTERS on A8

Joe Culik
Political Science
Senior

Dear Editor,

I am writing to inform you of how impressed I was with the high quality of the Freedom Fest hosted by the OU College Republicans, as well as my great dismay of the coverage given to this event by The Post.

I am a Master's of Science in Mechanical Engineering graduate of Oakland University currently working with GM. I did not belong to the College Republicans during my time of study at OU, nor was I a member of any other organization. I

EDITORIAL

Graduate finds bright side despite difficulties



ADAM NEAL

Former Post Editor
Florida correspondent

Three weeks ago I covered the biggest story of my career.

THIS week I covered the biggest story of my career. Surreal doesn't describe the feeling of having not one, but two major hurricanes hit back-to-back. I have chosen the word "deja voodoo" instead.

Hunkered down in Florida's Indian River County emergency operations center for most of September really puts things in perspective. I have seen a beautiful piece of land literally torn apart in two nights (one being MUCH longer than the other). Just like any disaster, I have witnessed strangers helping strangers, lives ruined and destroyed and emergency personnel transform from a "human" state to empathic leaders.

Unfortunately, I am not yet ready to put my thoughts on paper, but I wanted to urge everyone to visit www.pressjournal.com and see what my community has been through.

We are printing out of our Naples bureau, somehow collecting information and collaborating it on a 3 p.m. deadline (which we have been working on since Frances caused damage to all of our printing facilities).

I assure you I am doing fine here. Unfortunately without power (and air conditioning), but that was expected. The storm wasn't. Cell phones work sometimes, but cut out if you sneeze or look the

wrong way.

This is my only solid form of communication at the EOC. There have been highs and lows covering hurricanes, but I think two is good enough for one season, my first year down here.

I just wanted to say hello and ease some of you that may be chopping at the bit for Vero Beach information (hi Michelle, mom, grandma).

One quick story, running around the city covering a hurricane cannot only tire reporters, but officials, as well. With that said, during Frances I had a "head lamp" or "head light" that straps around my forehead so I can have light while utilizing both of my hands. Some of the other reporters from places such as the New York Times and Miami Herald got a kick out of it and purchased one, also, for Jeanne.

To make a long story short, Florida's Gov. Jeb Bush stopped by our EOC to address the citizens listening on the radio. Unfortunately, the EOC's backup power cut out in the middle of it. However, using my trusty headlamp I shined a spotlight on the governor and told him to carry on.

For someone who has been nothing but somber and empathic during all of his press conferences for the past six weeks, you never saw a bigger smile nor heard a louder chuckle.

Two other reporters quickly joined in with their headlamps and we finished the press conference as such.

After it was finished, Gov. Bush asked to get the "head lamp reporters" together for a picture with him, noting he needed a good laugh.

It just goes to show that a little humor is good under any circumstances.

EDITORIAL

The Candidates RESEARCH for the DEBATES...



Only the voters lose with debates

Voters are waiting longer and longer to make their decisions.

Gone are the days when faithful members of their respective parties knew months and even years in advance how they would fill out their ballots.

Instead, today's society is a supposedly Independent one that takes all the facts into account before making a well-informed decision. Or is it?

The first of three debates will take place tomorrow night, with incumbent President George W. Bush and presidential-hopeful John Kerry going toe-to-toe.

But that is a gross overstatement.

While debates have lost their luster over recent decades, Thursday's festivities will look more like simultaneous press conferences than a debate.

Both candidates know what to expect and they have prepared with that in mind. It seems we would learn a lot more about both candidates if they could really 'debate' the issues.

Wouldn't it be more interest-

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ing if President Bush could directly challenge Senator Kerry on his positions, and vice versa? Wouldn't we learn more if they could respond and question one another? Isn't that what a debate truly is?

And some of the best soundbytes in American politics have come from impromptu responses.

Unfortunately, strict debate rules do not allow for this. The questions asked will be well prepared for and the answers given will probably be similar to those we hear everyday.

The debate will be more about

rules than anything else. Podiums must be a certain height, candidates are not permitted to stand on anything and TV cameras will be locked in place.

Candidates most likely won't even face each other. Instead they will be looking into a camera, regurgitating the same answers we have heard hundreds of times before and could simply find by visiting the candidates' Web sites or picking up a newspaper.

The original idea behind a debate is a good one. It is a chance for two sides to engage in an argument by discussing their opposing viewpoints.

Unfortunately, the debate in our day has become a scripted event where often it is a candidate's image, not his or her words, that really make a difference.

Do we care more about a candidate's appearance on television than what they are actually saying?

Maybe.
So why bother watching?

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VOTE**Continued from A5**

can still find out about candidates by taking online quizzes to match them to either candidate based on the issues most important to them.

"I took a quiz on AOL and marked whether I favored or opposed certain issues, and it matched my answers to a candidate that best represented what was important to me. It was pretty cool," said Theresa Abela, a sophomore and business major.

Sept. 30, Rock the Vote is hosting a debate between the candidates.

The debate will be geared at young voters.

Students are able to submit questions at RocktheVote.com.

The deadline to register to vote in Michigan is Oct. 4 and Election Day is Nov. 2.

For more information on registering to vote, visit NewVotersProject.org or RocktheVote.com.

Registration is free of charge.

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Islamic) by either the speakers or the attendees and yet Nora found it necessary to try to argue every well-cited and researched point of information made by speakers such as Robert Spencer.

What surprises me most, however, is not that there are insecure people such as Nora, or people who are argumentative and belligerent for not much other reason but to create controversy, but rather that there are people so easily persuaded by them into believing that real controversy actually exists. Were any favorable quotes from attendees cited in the Post? I was approached by a Post reporter, to whom I made a favorable comment about this event and it was nowhere to be found.

Tom Majcher
2003 OU graduate

PLEDGE**Continued from A5**

President and Co-President of the OU College Democrats said. "You vote for the president only once every four years," he said. "You can have sex anytime."

David Lauber, Chairman of the OU College Republicans said he hadn't heard of the campaign and thinks it is an unusual way to encourage voters.

"I think it is strange that they are openly targeting sex as an issue to get people voting," Lauber said. "I guess they will do anything to motivate voters."

Collins said that the unusual approach is what makes the campaign so successful.

"We were thinking 'how can we make voting something sexy,'" she said. "We thought this was fun and it would get people's attention to get them politically and sexually active."

And while the group has received some criticism about its approach,

TOUR**Continued from A5**

"I'm going to go out and just talk to them for the next five weeks," Moore said. "We're asking the slackers to come forward and lead this revolt."

His tour will concentrate on colleges and arenas in 20 swing states with the hopes of increasing voter turnout in November.

Moore said he is also targeting "poor and disenfranchised" people who have given up on politics.

"Many of them feel a tremendous sense of despair," Moore said. "This tour will be my attempt to convince them otherwise."

Moore, a known anti-Bush fanatic and liberal, didn't stay subtle for long. He went on to criticize his favored candidate as well as the incumbent, performing part speech, part stand up comedy.

He did parodies of campaign slogans and commercials as well as blaming mainstream media in part for the Iraq

Collins said, surprisingly, she hasn't been attacked on moral grounds, yet.

Students have mixed opinions on the campaign.

"I think it's a good way to draw attention to getting young people to vote," junior Helen Jestton said. "I don't think it will be taken very seriously, but if it gets people to the polls, I don't see the harm in it."

Some do see the harm in it, though.

"The right to vote is a freedom and it is not something that should be taken lightly," sophomore Seth Ryder said. "Something like this is making a mockery of democracy."

Collins' response to criticism like this is that the campaign is advocating taking part in democracy.

"We encourage people to take part in the fundamental two freedoms of this country," Collins said. "They have the freedom to vote in election booths and freedom to love in the bedroom- or in the bathroom or in the kitchen."

conflict.

And while Moore is extremely partisan, voters supporting either candidate have come out with their opinions.

"I think the tour will attract voters no matter what party they belong to because it's controversial," said senior Jim Rannish, a card-carrying Republican. "No matter where someone is on the political spectrum, they have an opinion about Michael Moore and his views."

But not all people see the tour in a positive light.

"He's a radical and a liar," said sophomore Julie Hayes. "His tour is just spreading propaganda throughout a crucial voter area."

The "Slacker Uprising Tour is making stops around Michigan universities this week, visiting Central Michigan University and Ferris State University Sept. 27, U-M Dearborn yesterday and Wayne State University and U-M tonight. All Michigan appearances are sold out.

been sending out mobile branches to college campuses to register students in person so they can vote by absentee ballot if they choose to.

"We really want to see the student population participate," said Kelly Chesney, spokeswoman for the Secretary of State.

BALLOT**Continued from A5**

election.

"After a person's first vote, they are able to cast an absentee ballot in upcoming elections," Talbot said.

The Secretary of State's office has also

Now spotted all over the U.S., Cold Stone has established 15 locations in Southeast Michigan. The Rochester Hills franchise had its grand opening on Aug. 27 and the Sterling Heights franchise, located on 23 Mile and Schoenherr, on Sept. 17.

The Rochester Hills location is owned by Fred Barker's son, Marty G. Barker, and a close friend, Eric Mousseau.

"We are not like every other ice cream store," insisted Fred Barker, who left General Motors after 41 years, to manage the store.

In a sales pitch, Barker gave out 1,000 samples to the local community as a product drop, as well as over 1,000 coupons.

On expanding business, they plan to open two more locations within the Rochester and Rochester Hills district. Although the plans have not been confirmed, Barker and Mousseau have

their locations in mind.

Rochester and Auburn Road is a targeted area, also further north at Rochester and Tienken Road, which he hopes to be running by early next year.

At their present location, competitor Maggie Moo's Ice Cream and Treatery, located in the Village of Rochester Hills, is across the street with the same style of ice cream.

When asked about the competition, Fred Barker did not even flinch and stated that their competitor is not a detriment. "If people taste the difference in the ice cream, I think they will agree that ours is better quality," professed Barker. The location for Maggie Moo's is a prime location in the center of the new outdoor mall known as the Village.

Nevertheless, Cold Stone often has a line of customers trailing out of the door.

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Prof. Appleton: A legend retires

By BETH VANNOY
THE OAKLAND POST

Professor Sheldon Lee Appleton has led a remarkable life. He has interviewed Harry Truman, marched with Martin Luther King Jr., lived in Taiwan and educated thousands of students in the topic of political science.

Now, at the completion of the fall semester, after 44 years of teaching at OU, Appleton will start the next chapter of his life: retirement.

Appleton, who is often referred to as "Shelly," a nickname he believes may have started in his childhood, was born in New York City. He lived in the Bronx on 98th Street, where his father owned a grocery store across the street. While Appleton sometimes helped in the store, he could most often be found playing baseball.

As a young boy, his dream was to be a baseball player, but his skills were never good enough even to play in high school.

Regardless of his skills, baseball has remained a passion of Appleton's, who still confesses to being a baseball nut.

"On my wedding day, my wife had to send her brother down to the park to get me out of the game," he said.

It was two hours before the wedding, and even though he had promised to be on time, his family was getting nervous.

Appleton met his wife, Betty, at a very young age as she was his neighbor. Although the two ended up going to different high schools, he admired her from afar. While she studied performing arts at the legendary High School of Performing Arts in New York, he was busy with his studies at the prestigious Stuyvesant High School.

High school did not start smoothly for Appleton, who was used to playing baseball instead of studying. "I almost flunked out," he said. The school was forced to bring in his mother and explain to her that there were other schools that might be better suited for Appleton, but because he wanted to be there, he straightened up and did much better his last two years.

After high school Appleton attended New York University where he had a double major in English and history. Commuting from home by subway, Appleton used his New York state scholarship to pay for tuition and worked in the registrar's office to pay for books and other expenses. While attending the university, Appleton worked for the school paper, was editor for the school magazine and was actively involved in school politics.

When his bachelor's degree was complete, he went on to earn his master's in history with a specialization in East Asian studies.

With his schooling finished for the time being, Appleton went to work for the State Department as an assistant at the Foreign Service Institute in Washington.

This was also the city where he got the girl he had secretly admired for quite a while, Betty.

Appleton has a special sensitivity to Peter Parker in the recent Spiderman movies.

"I was like him with the white socks and my slide rule, we didn't have calculators back then, and she was Mary Jane," he said.

Betty was a dancer and performer, and as Appleton explained, not the kind of girl that guys like him went after.

"I would hope that people would see us together and think she was my girl," he said.

Appleton invited Betty to come visit him back home in Washington and reassured her that he would be more than happy to show her around. Betty agreed and Appleton put her up in a hotel, took her to a play, the national gallery and nice restaurants.

"When I took her back to the hotel I said, 'Would it be all right if I kissed you goodnight,' and she said, 'As long as I can kiss you back.'"

Appleton was so shocked that the object of his affection had feelings for him and had for a while, that he didn't want to waste any time. They were engaged four months later.

"I didn't dream that she would be interested, and once I found that out, I wanted to go fast before she changed her mind," he said.

The couple moved to Minnesota where Appleton worked towards his doctorate in political science and East Asian studies, while teaching communication classes.

"Stop in offices, send Christmas cards, otherwise, what are (the professors) going to write about you in reference letters if they don't know you."

Professor Appleton

said, was surrounded by country land, and told Varner all the things it would take to get him to teach there. Surprisingly, Varner accepted, and after talking it over with his wife, the couple came to Michigan and Appleton's memorable teaching career began in 1960.

Appleton enjoys teaching students the importance of politics.

"It's a matter of life and death," he said. "Everything we do is politically related. You wake up at a certain time, which the government decided. You eat foods that are regulated by the government. Some people are drafted and shot at by governments. It's totally elementary that government is related to everything."

In 1982, Appleton was awarded the first-ever Teaching Excellence Award. He was also the Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences from 1979-87, and worked as the Associate

Before starting his thesis, Appleton read in the Sunday New York Times about a new school in Michigan that would require students to learn about non western studies, something he was an expert in.

"It sounded like a really good school to me, so I sent my info to the name in the paper," he said.

D.B. Varner, the first chancellor of Oakland University, soon responded to Appleton by asking him to come check out the school. Appleton was set to turn the offer down because of advice from his advisors at Minnesota, but when Varner offered to pay for the trip with no obligation, Appleton decided it was worth a look.

Appleton came to Oakland University, which at that time, he

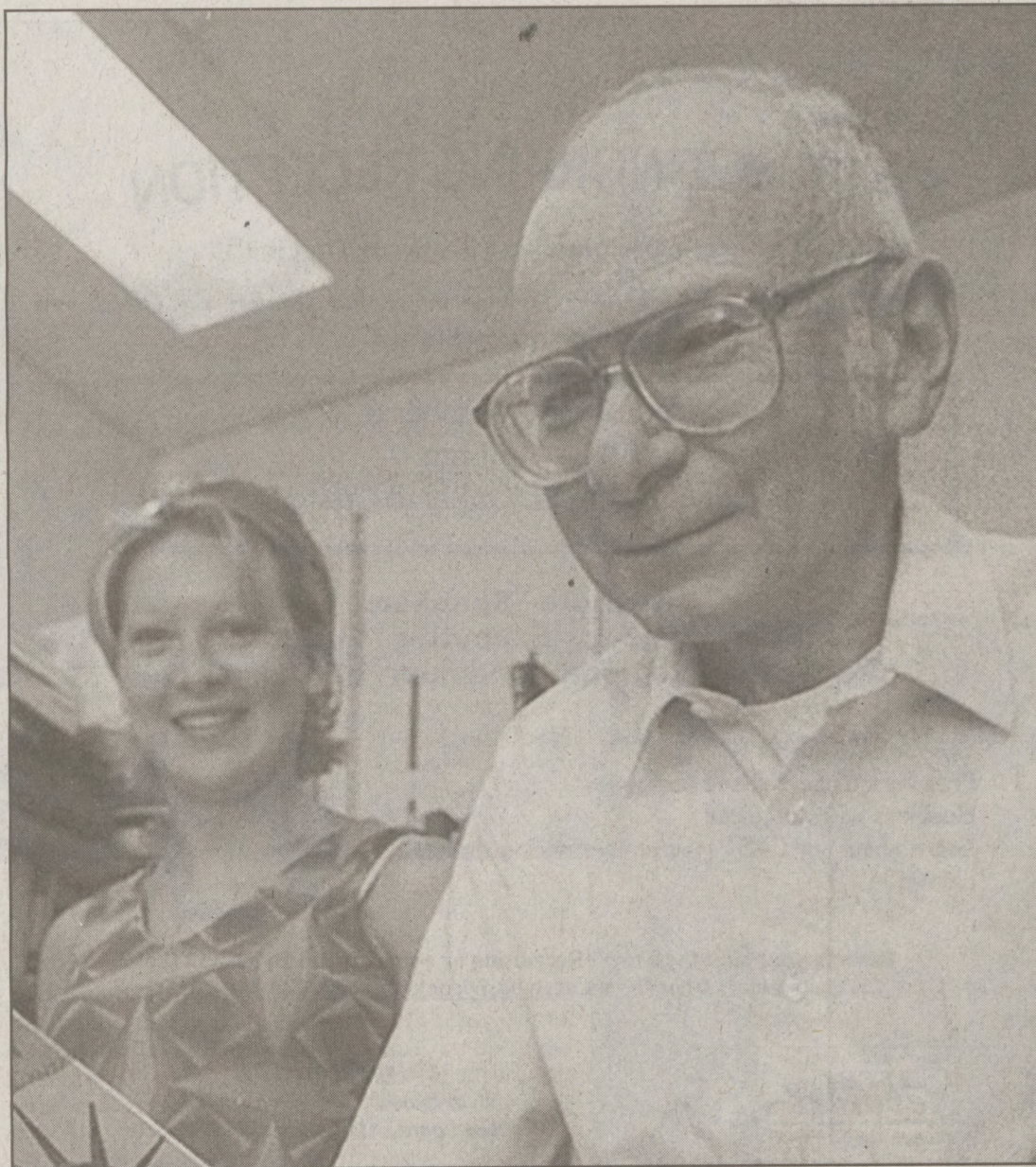


Photo courtesy of the political science department

Professor Sheldon Appleton is retiring at the end of the fall semester after 44 years of teaching at OU.

Provost for undergraduate studies from 1987-93.

He has 25-30 articles in academic journals on various topics, and has written two books, one on U.S.-China policy, and another entitled "American Foreign Policy: An Introduction with Cases."

Appleton's advice for students is: "Work hard your first couple of months. You need to establish yourself and then you'll know through that determination whether you will be successful in your first semester," he said.

He also recommends that students get to know the faculty at Oakland.

"Stop in offices, send Christmas cards, otherwise, what are they going to write about you in reference letters if they don't know you," he said.

Karen Meyer, the administrative secretary of the political science department, has also received life-changing advice from Appleton.

"I wouldn't be working here if it weren't for Professor Appleton," she said.

Only intending to work for the department for six months, Appleton suggested that Meyer attend school at OU.

"He was so supportive, and next thing I knew I was in the honors college. He was a very good mentor, and I know he has done this for many others," she said.

John Klemanski, the department chair of the political science department, also considers Appleton a mentor.

"He has been a mentor to everyone in the department. Up and down the hall everyone admires him greatly," he said.

Like many others, Meyer and Klemanski are sad to see Appleton go.

"Of course it's a great loss to the university because I don't think a true teacher like Shelly Appleton can be replaced. He has built a lot of

good leaders along the way just by being himself," Meyer said.

"We are going to miss him very much. He is the model professor that we all want to be like," Klemanski said.

Appleton said that the only reason he stayed for this term was the election.

"There are bigger differences between the candidates than in most elections. The stakes are very high," he said.

With such an important election before us, Appleton finds it frustrating when students don't vote.

"It's like finding a \$100 bill on the floor and not spending it," he said.

To make certain that Professor Appleton and his wife will not be forgotten at Oakland University, the Betty and Shelly Appleton Critical Difference Fund has been set up to assist political science and public administration majors, secondary education students with a political science major or students in the music, theatre and dance department.

The endowment specializes in these majors to reflect both Appleton and his wife's areas of expertise.

After Appleton retires, he will have more time to enjoy his other passions, which include reading, theatre, ethnic food, Broadway music and Dutch paintings.

While he has loved living in Michigan, Appleton and his wife will be moving to the Chicago area to be closer to some of their four children and four grandchildren.

Even with a resume full of impressive accomplishments, Appleton's family is what pleases him the most.

"Marrying the woman I married and raising four wonderful, wonderful children," he said, is his greatest accomplishment.

Greek families grow again on campus

After seven days of formal recruitment and partying, OU's four sororities claim 46 new sisters

By ALLISON BRUNNER
THE OAKLAND POST

Over the past few weeks it was hard not to notice the colorful boards around the Oakland Center and chalk messages on the cement urging you to go Greek.

Fall means formal recruitment for sororities and many female students decided to check it out during the events held between Sept. 13-20.

"The sororities hold formal recruitment, unlike fraternities, and it's a fun and special time when chapters come together and show off how great going Greek truly is," said College Pan-Hellenic (CPH) President, Lucy VandePutte, senior.

CPH is an organization for 26 national and international fraternities and sororities. OU's Panhellenic Council governs and supports OU's four CPH sorori-

ties: Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Sigma Tau, Gamma Phi Beta and Phi Sigma Sigma.

When formal recruitment week ended, the four sororities welcomed a combined total of 46 new members.

"Formal recruitment is an awesome way to join a sorority because it gives you the chance to get to know each of the sororities and find the one that fits you the best," said Annalisa LaMilza, freshman and one of the new members to Gamma Phi Beta. "My favorite part was meeting all these new girls and making friendships with girls from all the sororities."

Each sorority is unique and different. They appeal to many personalities. Whether you are looking to hold leadership positions, contribute to charities or get involved on campus, there is a sorority for everyone. The main thing offered by all sorori-

ties though, is the close bond of sisterhood.

Interested female students attended an orientation meeting, which explained how formal recruitment would work, what day events would be held on and why one should give Greek life a chance.

"Recruitment is so important because we always need new girls so the Greek community here at OU will grow and continue for a long time," VandePutte said.

During the kick off, interested students participated in an "Info Night," where young women attended 30-minute parties for each of the sororities. There, they learned a little history about the sorority and got to meet the ladies of each chapter.

The ladies of Gamma Phi Beta, for example, hosted a party with a tropical theme, where potential members sat with

active members on beach towels, sipping punch and chatting.

During "Philanthropy Night," the focus was placed on the charities each organization contributes their time and money to.

The sisters of Alpha Sigma Tau decorated birdhouses to donate to Habitat for Humanity.

Active sisters and future members decorated about 60 birdhouses to be included as a house warming gift for the new homeowners living in the habitat homes.

The official philanthropy of Alpha Delta Pi is the Ronald McDonald House, for which cans were collected and donated by sisters and potential members.

Each sorority hosted its own theme party on Sept. 17. The ladies of Phi Sigma Sigma had their room decorated with an "Under the Sea" motif. Sarah Wood sang a beautiful solo of

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www.oakland.edu/org/cphsororities/index.html

The Little Mermaid's "Part of Your World," but with words and phrases changed to tell about dreams of life as a Phi Sig girl.

On Sept. 18, the invitations for the Sunday night parties were distributed to the nervous but excited recruits.

Each potential member received from zero to four invitations giving them access to a sneak peek into the rituals of each sorority.

What happens in these rooms is a secret and only those inside know what transpires.

After all the parties were over, new members filled out their preference cards, which ranked

the sororities. Meanwhile, each sorority selected the girls they wanted to extend bids to.

Bids were accepted or denied Sept. 20, followed by a final party with all the sororities and the 46 new members.

"Recruitment week was stressful yet very fun and I'm glad that each chapter got some new, amazing women," said Jenny Ignatowski, junior, of Alpha Sigma Tau.

There will be further recruitment events throughout the school year, although they will not be as extensive as recruitment week.

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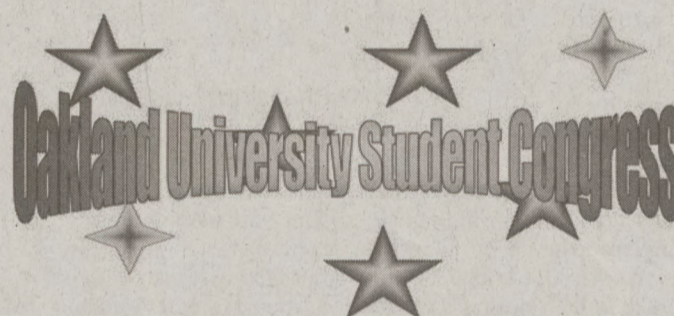
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'Wimbledon' serves well

Opinion

BY ELIZABETH GORECKI
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

It has a little something for everyone. A little comedy, a little sex, a little romance and a lot of tennis.

Even from the opening credits, "Wimbledon" puts you not only in the middle of the game, but inside the characters' heads in a dramatic sports movie with a romantic comedy subplot.

"Wimbledon" begins looking into the life of not-quite-tennis-star Peter Colt (Paul Bettany).

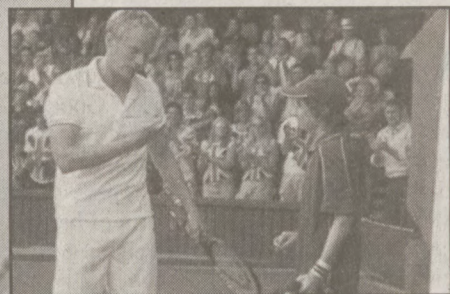
Once ranked 11th in the world, he is now nearly forgotten and slumped to 119th.

He is getting ready to play his last matches at Wimbledon as the ultimate underdog before retiring gracefully to the life of teaching lessons at a country club.

After running into rising American tennis sensation Lizzie Bradbury (Kirsten Dunst), in the shower and on the court, his game heats up as well as the unlikely relationship between the two.

Bradbury is a hot-tempered type with killer instinct who thinks "a little fooling around can be good for your game."

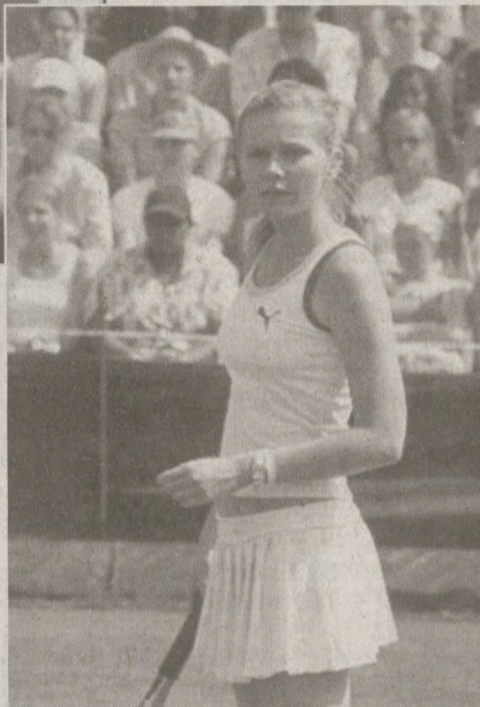
But while their relationship is working wonders for Colt's game and confidence, it is having less than favorable effects on



Photos courtesy of Universal Pictures
Above: Paul Bettany plays Colt, a "not-quite-tennis star."

Left: Bettany and Dunst star in "Wimbledon," a romantic comedy where tennis is the main focus.

Below: Dunst plays Bradbury, a British tennis player.



Bradbury's game.

Bradbury's character is a well-needed change from past characters of Dunst.

This new identity for Dunst is welcomed after seeing her in cute and passive roles such as "Bring It On" and "Spider Man."

But it seems the best scenes of the movie don't focus on the romance, but on the game.

With the super-powered serves, bird's eye views, diving for shots, slow motion plays and delving into the character's

thoughts, tennis never looked so exciting.

The matches move the plot along not only through time, but through a series of subplots with minor but unforgettable characters such as Colt's long-time friend and practice partner he must face on the court, his unsupportive brother who bets against him, his agent who flocks to his side when he makes his comeback and his silently bickering parents.

The film isn't so hot on the

romance level, painting Colt as more of an observer than an active participant in his own love story.

"Wimbledon" is an intelligently deceptive film drawing viewers in, either for the romance and feeding them sports or for the game and giving them a love story.

The same can be said for the plot. Moviegoers get Colt's story from the beginning, thinking the film is about him, but then get sucked into Bradbury's story,

becoming unsure of whose life they are following.

It bounces the viewer back and forth between the romance and the game, Bradbury and Colt, their individual lives and their relationship.

It's almost like watching a tennis match...

'First Daughter': Runner-up in a played out plot

BY ANDREA WELT
THE OAKLAND POST

"First Daughter" appears to be a strategically planted movie, conveniently placed in the theaters around election time, camouflaged as a romantic comedy to get the younger generation interested in politics.

But in reality it's just a coming of age story about a girl who wants a bit of normalcy in her life, when in reality her life is anything but normal.

Samantha Mackenzie (Katie Holmes) is finally allowed by her overprotective father, the President (Michael Keaton), to go to college.

But there is one catch. She has to take a group of secret service men with her, causing some comical situations, like the one where Mackenzie and her roommate Mia (Amerie Rogers) are invited to a fraternity party.

As one of the guests pulls out

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a realistic squirt gun and is pinned to the ground, Mackenzie is hauled off to her father's campaign office.

With the president's power and responsibilities outside of fatherhood, it was nice to see that this character was portrayed just as a typical father, keeping his daughter at arm's length.

In a later scene, Mackenzie gets her boyfriend/secret agent (Marc Blucas) his job back after he gets fired for letting his feelings interfere with his job.

This part was a little bit of a let down. Even though Mackenzie is the first daughter and is supposed to be prim and proper, she should still be allowed to be human.

Another interesting point of the movie was the take on the



Photo courtesy of 20th Century Fox
Michael Keaton plays the president, an overprotective father.

first daughter's role in an electoral campaign, whether she is an active participant in it.

Currently, all of the daughters in the election are playing active roles in their father's campaign and it comes off odd that the director portrayed this daughter as a non-supporter, considering the timing.

Finally, this story has been done before. Think back earlier this year to a film called "Chasing Liberty."

The first daughter wanting a normal life, her going off and having new experiences, falling for a guy who ends up being a

secret service agent sent by her father, any of these things sound familiar?

"First Daughter" is a movie that makes a moviegoer say "aw," maybe even squeeze out a tear.

But that isn't surprising because the writers didn't have to do much work; they just had to borrow the script.

However, if you did like "Chasing Liberty," this movie is a winner.

Even with all the similarities between the two movies, "First Daughter" is definitely a candidate for reelection.



Photo courtesy of 20th Century Fox
Katie Holmes and Marc Blucas play the president's daughter and a secret agent in "First Daughter."

Forget 'The Forgotten'

If you have seen the previews, you have seen most of the movie.

BY ANDREW DUPONT
THE OAKLAND POST

If, for some reason, you still feel the need to see "The Forgotten" after reading this, just remember you were warned.

Unless your idea of fun is watching Julianne Moore run around, looking confused for 90 minutes, see something else.

Moore plays Telly Paretta, a woman having a

difficult time dealing with the loss of her son, Sam. Sam was one of eight children who perished when a small plane crashed.

After several months, Telly still finds herself unable to let go of her son's memory.

One day, all of the pictures of Sam are gone and all the videos are blank. Telly is angry at first, but quickly becomes confused when her doctor (Gary Sinise) and her husband (Anthony Edwards) tell her Sam never existed.

Naturally, Telly doesn't believe it and neither should anyone in the audience. Sam's pictures are missing, but the photo album is still in a room filled with things a young boy would own.

The rest of the movie follows Telly's search for understanding. She is joined by Ash Correll (Dominic West) the father of another child lost with Sam.

Ash forgot his daughter ever existed, but Telly is somehow able to kick-start his memory.

The plot drags from here until the movie reaches its predictable ending. Most people should be able to guess every twist long before it happens.

What you're left with is watching Telly and Ash run around trying to figure out what you knew much earlier.

Eventually the government and local police get involved, but every time something important is about to be revealed, someone is sucked up into the sky.

No, they never explain why, but it doesn't matter. These moments are meant to supply the movie's thrills, but predictably fall short.

The commercials give away every big shock and each is preceded by a few awkward seconds of silence, so you should be able to see them all coming.

"The Forgotten" is supposed to be a science-fiction thriller, but it fails to break new ground in either genre.

The sci-fi portion of the plot is nowhere near original and the thrills are nowhere to be found.

Unfortunately, we'll never know why movies like "The Forgotten" are made, but hopefully, reviews like this will stop people from seeing them.



Photos courtesy of Revolution Studios

Above: Moore spends most of the movie running around.

Right: Moore and West join their effort in this pointless quest.



Reliving life in the burbs

BY LUISE BOLLEBER
THE OAKLAND POST

Many of us grew up in cookie cutter subdivisions, the ones with streets that lead nowhere and manicured, fertilized, pesticide-laden lawns.

Artist Deborah Sukenic grew up in such suburban Detroit subdivisions and examines this aspect of her life in her show "The Secret Life of Suburbia," now on exhibit at Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

The show features oil paintings, paintings incorporating collage and monotype prints.

Sukenic's paintings explore middle-class values and deeper questions of suburban existence.

Her bleak renditions of tract homes juxtaposed with ordinary household memorabilia invite the viewer to contemplate their own experiences of tract house living.

The human foibles leading up to this type of housing design, homes built for baby boomers seeking affordability but designed by builders for the convenience of automobiles.

"Her father was a builder, and as a child, she was constantly living in new houses and moving to new subdivisions," said Dick Goody, Director of Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

"These paintings are a form of biography. She is revisiting her past," he said.

Sukenic's traditional painting style brings to mind the artist Edward Hopper, whose work also depicted the barrenness of Americana.

These works are instantly familiar to anyone growing up in Metro Detroit, or any other bedroom community in the U.S., yet they exude disquietude and suggest that behind closed doors, not all is well.

Contradictions abound in Sukenic's paintings; the scenes are sentimental yet gloomy, comforting yet disturbing, cheerfully landscaped yet isolated and lonely.

Sukenic incorporates collage into her paintings, particularly favoring scraps of vintage wallpaper, flowered and striped concoctions of the '50s

and '60s that nostalgically remind us of grandmother's house.

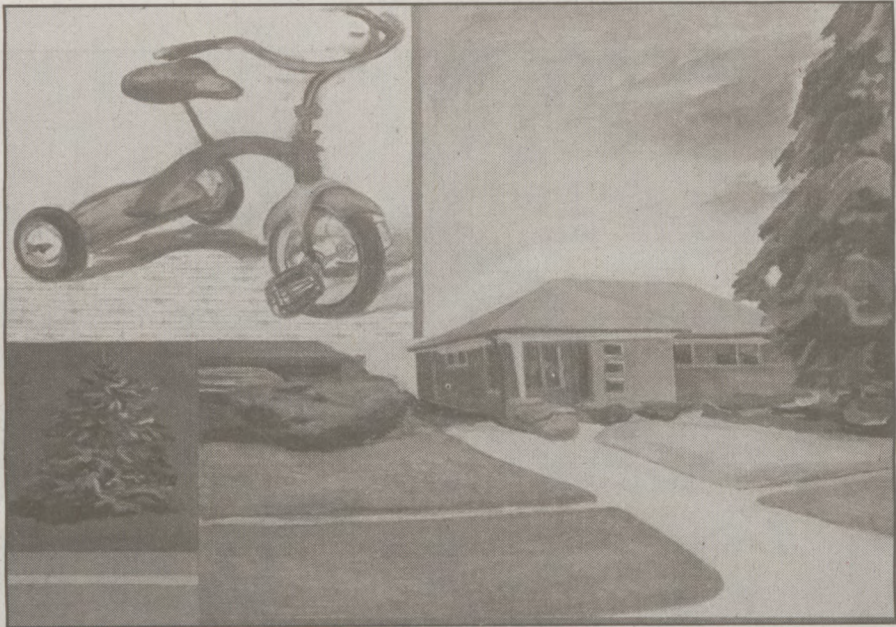
She also favors a type of diptych or triptych painting where she compares and contrasts disparate images within a single painting.

Some of the objects she pairs with suburban houses include dolls, toy trains, sports trophies, potato chips and vegetables.

In the painting entitled "Whitcomb Part I," two dark willow trees loom in the foreground, their branches hanging in dark clumps, with two small, identical boxy houses in the background.

One can imagine the box houses continuing down the street add infinitum, so common is this type of visual assault. To the side of, but separate from this domestic landscape, Sukenic painted two bunches of hanging fur stoles, the drooping furs echoing the droop of the willow branches.

The whole effect suggests a sort of spiritual bankruptcy wherein life in suburbia entails falling into the material machine, the "American Dream" of



Ridgedale #1 (for Susie) 2004, oil on canvas with fortune cookie wrappers.

Artist Deborah Sukenic

mortgage payments, car payments and 2.4 children.

But the trappings can't quite capture happiness or even contentment.

"I think they are unique and interesting," said OU Senior Jennifer Settingington. "I like this one because of the colors," she said, pointing to a painting with bright hues.

"I don't like the dark ones. They look like

haunted houses and it kind of messes up your eyes."

Perhaps this is precisely what Sukenic tries to convey, an uncomfortable inquiry into the dark side of suburban domesticity, the hypocrisy of middle class well-being and anxiety of living close together, yet still separate.

If you miss this exciting exhibit, be sure to visit the next one, "Passage, Inference and Surface," paintings by Wendy

Roberts and Nolan Simon, an exhibition held in conjunction with the Meadow Brook Theater production of the hilarious Broadway hit play "Art."

The opening reception will be Saturday, October 16 from 6-8 p.m.

- Runs through Oct. 10
- The gallery is located in 208 Wilson Hall.
- Hours are noon-5 p.m. daily except Mondays.
- Admission is free.

BY LINDA C. BLACK
TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

Today's Birthday (Sept. 29). The option that's best for you may involve a conflict or disagreement. You may prefer to avoid those things, but they're great motivation for action.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) Today is an 8: Partnerships are important, and right now they're pivotal. You can get somebody else to do almost everything, except keep everyone else inspired and on course. You're the best at that.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Today is a 3: Complications cause a change in plans and perhaps in methods. Remember that stress can lead to actions that wouldn't have happened. That's not always bad, but paying attention is highly recommended.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Today is a 10: The challenge is to figure out a way to do all the things to which you've been invited without spending a lot of cash. Actually, that financial restriction will help you make the choices.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) Today is a 5: You have strict standards to which you try to conform. Hold out for the best, and you'll get there. How you achieve it is variable. That's the interesting part.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Today is an 8: New horizons beckon, but don't take off quite yet. As you begin your planning, you'll find out what's in the way. That should happen pretty soon.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today is a 4: Friends who generally give you good advice don't have all the facts that you do now. Listen, but make up your own mind.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Today is a 9: You're spurred to take action, but don't get excited and try to do it all at once. Setting priorities isn't just a good idea, it's required.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is a 4: Curtail expansion for a while. You're in a metamorphosis. Withhold judgment for now, too. Your analysis and priorities will change.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 9: You may not like to draw attention to yourself, and that's OK, but don't let shyness back you down when bold resolve is required. You have the support you need.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today is a 5: You'll get to be the voice of reason soon. The others are getting so mad at each other, no logic is getting through. That's your assignment if you choose to accept the challenge.

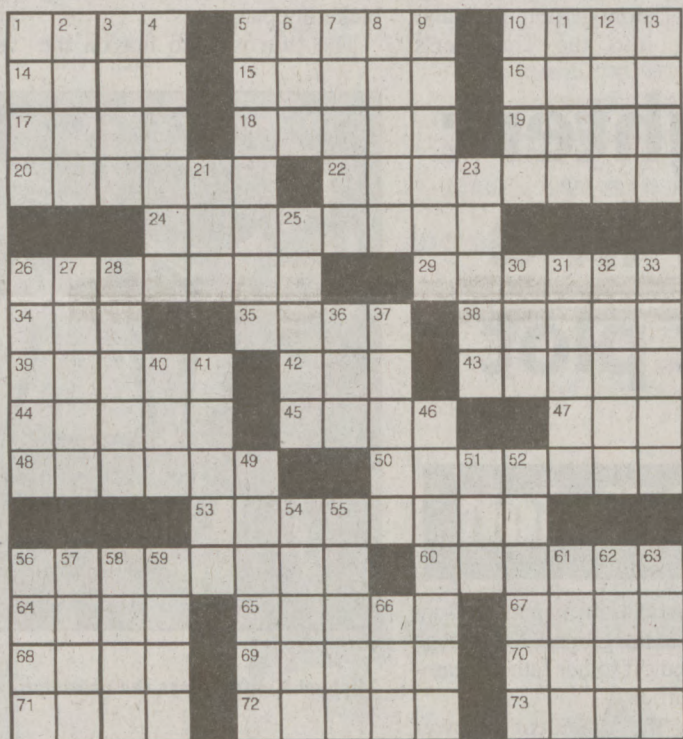
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Today is a 9: You want to get started and to make the commitment, but that's not a good idea. You still have chores from a previous project that must be completed first. Besides, this is a better day for finishing than beginning.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Today is a 4: Don't overindulge a loved one by purchasing expensive but worthless gifts. Something you've made yourself, for this person, will leave a more lasting impression.

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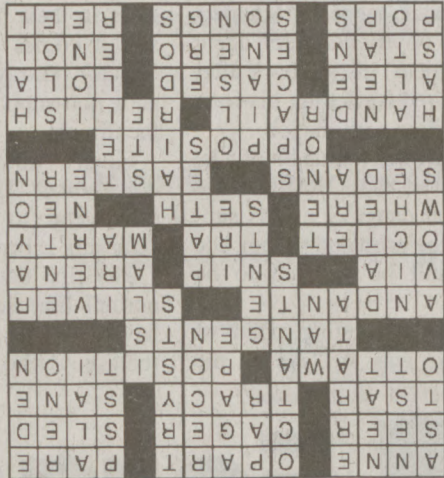
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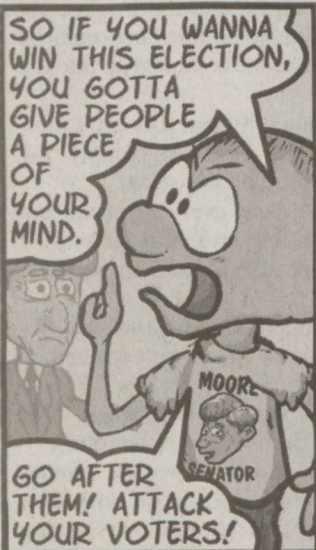
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THE LOW DOWN

Wednesday, Sept. 29

The First-Year Transition Workshop will be from noon-1 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the OC. Come and explore your options in choosing an academic major.

Xiangqun Zeng of the department of chemistry will give a seminar on the New Materials for Chemical and Biosensing: Recombinant Antibodies and Ionic Liquids at 1:15 p.m. in room 372 of the Science and Engineering Building.

The James Carville and Mary Matalin Presentation will be at 6:30 p.m. at the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion.

Thursday, Sept. 30

Today is the deadline to register for the smoking cessation classes. Classes will be announced.

The Fall 2004 Career Fair runs through Oct. 1 from 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC. Dress professional and bring plenty of resumes.

Hispanic Celebration 2004: Ceremonia de despedida, the closing ceremony, will be from noon-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the OC.

Friday, Oct. 1

Today is the deadline to reserve your tickets for the trip to Washington DC with the SPB. Sign up in the CSA office and have your money ready. The cost is \$150 for OU students and \$199 for OU employees & guests.

Saturday, Oct. 2

Heart Walk at OU located on the Meadow Brook Music Festival grounds opens at 7:30 a.m. and walking begins at 9 a.m. For more information on the walk, visit the Web site at www.americanheart.org.

Monday, Oct. 4

The First-Year Transition Workshop on sexual orientation will be at noon-1 p.m. in Gold Rooms B and C of the OC.

The Current Events panel will be an interactive discussion on the 2004 Presidential Race from noon-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the OC. Questions and opinions are encouraged from the audience.

OUSC meeting will be held at 4 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the OC.

Tuesday, Oct. 5

Today is the last day of "first half" drops.

There will be an Equal Rights Rally from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. outside of Kresge Library. There will be food, music and speeches from various speakers.

Today is Depression Screening Day from 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m. in the OC.

The CSA's Lunch and Learn Series: Scrapbooking for Beginners will be from noon-1 p.m. in rooms 128-130 in the OC.

The First-Year Transition Workshop "Student's First: Ready for Take-off" will be from 5-6 p.m. in Gold Room A of the OC.

This weeks topic will try and help new students get more involved on campus.

Wednesday, Oct. 6

The film "The Experiment: Gay and Straight" will be shown at 6 p.m. in the Student Lounge of Kresge Library.

September 29, 2004

B5

OU extends winning streak

By DANA UTZ
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

The men's soccer team extended its winning streak to six games this week, beating Western Michigan University (WMU), 3-1 on Sept. 21, and shutting out Centenary College 4-0 on Saturday in its first Mid-Con game of the season.

OU was able to get 10 shots in the first half while Centenary was able to shoot only two.

The first goal was made with less than 10 minutes left in the first half.

Sophomore midfielder/defenseman Jim Denk took a pass from junior defenseman Danny Ng and kicked it past Centenary's freshman goalkeeper James Speed.

The Gents were close to tying OU early in the second half, when Ben Calderera tried to score on OU's junior goalkeeper Jeff Wiese, but the ball hit the post and bounced out of play.

The Golden Grizzlies had the next chance to score only a minute later, when red-shirt freshman midfielder Alex McDonald, fired a shot from senior midfielder Brett

McNabb's corner kick, but the ball ended up being just wide of the net.

A minute and a half later, McDonald took a pass from freshman forward Nick Nelson, and shot the ball in the left corner of the net to make the score 2-0.

The Grizzlies' third goal was scored by sophomore defenseman Brady Vance, with an assist from Ng.

The goal was Vance's third of the season and was Ng's second assist of the game.

With five and a half minutes left in the second half, sophomore goalkeeper Josh Slaughter took over for Wiese in the net.

With only 10 seconds left in the game, Nelson, with an assist from Slaughter, scored the fourth goal from 10 yards out to make the final score 4-0.

Wiese picked up another five saves to bring his total to 25 for the season.

The Grizzlies also won their game against WMU on Sept. 21 by a score of 3-1.

Slaughter had his first start of the season as goalkeeper playing all 90 minutes.

OU took a 2-1 lead by the end of the first half.

The first goal was scored just four minutes into the game, when WMU junior goalkeeper Brent Miller was out of position.

He was trying to get a ball played at the right side, but OU quickly gained possession and Nelson scored before Miller could recover.

WMU evened the score when senior midfielder Ryan Goldman was able to sneak a shot past Slaughter's right side.

Vance scored the second goal of the game from eight yards out at the 18:43 mark to give the Grizzlies a 2-1 lead. He was assisted by Nelson and junior forward Chris Edwards.

With seven minutes left, senior midfielder Marcus Halland blasted a shot from 15 yards out for an unassisted goal that put OU up 3-1.

OU had 12 shots and nine shots on goal, while WMU had 11 shots and three shots on goal.

The Grizzlies' next game is at 4 p.m. today against Bowling Green University at the OU soccer field.



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post
Junior goalkeeper Jeff Wiese jumps to make a save in OU's 4-0 defeat of Centenary



DAVE PEMBERTON
Sports Editor

Give Harrington some time

Football fans let their emotions get the best of them all too often. When their team loses, they want to lash out and find someone to blame.

Many Lions fans have chosen to blame the 30-13 embarrassment against the Philadelphia Eagles on quarterback Joey Harrington.

Harrington may not have played his best game on Sunday, but the fact is the Eagles are just flat out a better football team.

Don't tell that to Lions fans who are calling for Joey's head. They are saying everything from "we wasted the third overall pick" to "give backup Mike McMahon a chance."

First off, McMahon is not an NFL quarterback. He is as consistent as a Hollywood actress' love life. He can't hit open receivers or stay in the pocket. So enough McMahon talk.

What Lions fans should be demanding is progress from Mr. Harrington. Fans should look for flashes of brilliance but expect him to make mistakes. Young quarterbacks make mistakes. Even the great Bret Favre made mistakes at the beginning of his career and still does.

I'll admit Harrington has not made as many breathtaking plays as I would like, but look what he is working with. His first two years in the league the Lions had as much offensive talent as the OU football team.

It does not matter who the quarterback is when your best receivers are Bill Schroeder and Scotty Anderson.

Oh, and don't forget the stellar running game the Lions have had. (Dead last in rushing yards in 2003 and fourth-worst in 2002.)

I'm not here to make excuses for the Lions' loss, but Harrington is not the worst of their problems.

One problem they might want to address is Eagles' defensive end Jevon Kearse spending more time in the backfield than Kevin Jones. Harrington had less time to find an open receiver than it takes Tony Siragusa to eat a hamburger.

Oh, was that a cheap shot at Siragusa? I forgot you have to meet someone once for a couple minutes to take cheap shots at them.

At least I didn't do it on national television like Siragusa. But while I'm at it, I would like to add Siragusa may possibly be the worst sideline reporter ever. He makes Lisa Guerrero look like an Ivy League graduate.

By the way, it's good to see Harrington fire back. Now I just want to see more of that on the field.

Anyway, back to Harrington and the Lions. The truth is, while Harrington has not been Peyton Manning, he has made progress. He is 53-89 for 562 yards with six touchdowns and two interceptions.

Harrington's quarterback rating is up to 91.1 from 63.9 last year and his completion percentage is up almost five percent.

If Roy Williams can continue his Rookie of the Year play and Harrington can continue to improve, then this team will make progress.

All fans should expect this year is progress, because this team is not a playoff team; with or without Harrington. The Lions are an inexperienced team.

So my advice for all Lions fans is to sit back the next two weeks and enjoy yourselves.

Who knows when the Lions will be over .500 again?

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Grizzlies win in OT

By DAVE PEMBERTON
SPORTS EDITOR

OU's women's soccer team bounced back to defeat Mid-Con foe Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI), 2-1; and defeated the University of Detroit Titans 1-0 in overtime.

The Golden Grizzlies offense created many opportunities against the Titans Monday afternoon. OU had 22 shots including 14 on goal.

Junior midfielder Silje Peltopera scored the game-winning goal 40 seconds into overtime off a pass from junior forward Kristi Swaving.

"It felt great," said Peltopera. "I don't score a lot so that felt good."

Swaving finished the game with seven shots, including four on goal, and two that went off the post.

"I knew one would come eventually," said Swaving. "It was a relief. I was glad to get it over so early in overtime."

OU head coach Nick O'Shea said he felt the team played well and created a lot of scoring chances, but were unfortunate not to score any in regulation.

"Sometimes those games come back to bite you but, you know, that's soccer. Scoring is the hardest thing in the game," said O'Shea. "Sometimes it goes in and sometimes it hits the post."

"That's the break but you keep going. The team did a very good job of maintaining a positive attitude."

Freshman goalkeeper Jessica Howard picked up her second shutout of the season. Howard had six saves and leads the Mid-

Con with 67 this season.

"I'm always happy with a shutout," said O'Shea. "(Howard) made some good saves. That's why she's back there. She's going to be called upon at times and she did well when we needed her."

OU's offense had contributions from a few players.

Freshman forward Kali Karibo had six shots, including five on goal, and sophomore forward Marianne Samdal had six shots with four shots on goal.

OU's win over IUPUI was its first Mid-Con win of the season. Swaving scored the game-winning goal from 20 yards out in the 75th minute.

Neither team scored in the first half. OU outshot IUPUI seven to six, but IUPUI had four shots on goal to OU's one.

The Grizzlies struck first in the second half when Swaving found senior defenseman Katie Amott, who fired it into the back of the net.

IUPUI answered back in the 74th minute when senior defenseman Niki Hornyak nailed a shot from 20 yards out past OU's Howard. IUPUI's junior midfielder Maggie Mistovich picked up the assist.

Swaving wasted no time taking the lead back scoring her goal just more than a minute later. Swaving finished the game with six shots, including three shots on goal, to go with her goal and assist.

Howard finished the game with six saves.

OU will play two non-conference games this week traveling to Indiana University on Thursday.

Then to the University of Toledo on Sunday.



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post
OU's defense led by freshman goalkeeper Jessica Howard shutout Detroit on Monday afternoon.

Tennis team falls to IPFW

By DAVE PEMBERTON
SPORTS EDITOR

OU's women's tennis lost a 6-1 decision in its opening match against the Indiana University-Purdue University-Fort Wayne (IPFW).

Freshman Teuta Lulgjuraj won the first singles match of her career to earn OU's only point. Lulgjuraj defeated freshman Hanna Hager in two sets 6-4 and 6-3.

The Golden Grizzlies' doubles team of sophomore Lauren Sanchez-Murphy and sophomore Stephanie Potiris won the opening doubles match 8-2 against Mastodon juniors Beth Miller and Jennifer Pape.

IPFW was able to win the next two doubles matches to take the point, however.

IPFW's team of Hager and sophomore Lisa Bartelheim defeated OU's duo of junior Lisa Pellafone and sophomore Angie Trecola 8-2.

OU's last doubles team of Lulgjuraj and sophomore Jessica Erickson fell to IPFW's freshman Ashley Coulson and senior Jill Carrie 8-1.

In singles action, Erickson won her first set 6-1 against Bartelheim, but lost the next two 6-1 and 6-2 to lose the match.

Also in singles action, Potiris and Miller went three sets. Potiris won the first set 6-2 but Miller won the point by winning the next two sets 6-4 and 6-2.

OU's next match is at 4 p.m. on Saturday at Chicago State University.

The Grizzlies will then take on Wayne State University at 3 p.m. on Tuesday in Detroit.



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post
Sophomore Angela Trecola hits a backhand.

Grizzlies beat Ladies

By DAVE PEMBERTON
SPORTS EDITOR

OU's women's volleyball team went 1-1 in its first two Mid-Con matches this past weekend.

OU defeated the Centenary College Ladies 3-1 (30-22, 30-19, 28-30, 30-25) and fell to the Oral Roberts University Golden Eagles 3-0 (31-29, 30-28, 30-11.)

Junior middle blocker Heather Lippert had a career high 20 kills against Centenary. Lippert also scored 22.5 points and hit .342 for the match.

"Heather played great. Offensively, that's the best she's played," said Schmidlin. "It was my intention to really run the middle a lot. We need to get our middles involved in the offense much more and Heather's just building upon what she was doing last week in Toledo."

The Grizzlies dominated most of the first two games against Centenary. In the first game OU jumped out to a 16-8 lead and Centenary was not able to get any closer than five the rest of the game, losing 30-22.

In the second game, OU took another early lead, 15-8. Centenary managed to pull within three 17-14, but OU's offense went on a 13-5 run to win the game.

OU once again jumped out to an early lead 14-9, but Centenary rallied back and tied the game at 23. Centenary continued to rally and went up 27-24 before OU took a timeout. The two teams exchanged points and then OU scored three straight to tie the game at 28.

Centenary's junior middle blocker Tracee Byrd then hit two straight kills to win the game for the Ladies 30-28.

OU's offense gave them an early 16-9 lead to start the fourth game.

It appeared the Ladies had one last comeback in them when they were able to pull within two 26-

Oakland 3

Centenary 1

24, but it was not meant to be. OU was able to hold the Ladies back and won the match 30-25 off a junior setter Becca Moller kill.

"We were playing really well on offense through the first two and a half games," said Schmidlin. "I think Centenary picked their game up a little bit and we didn't raise our level of game with them, but the fact is that we didn't fold when we could have folded (and) we came back and fought back in game four."

"The girls worked really hard to make sure we got it done. It wasn't the prettiest thing, but they got the 'W.'"

Schmidlin was not happy with the team's defensive performance. He said the team tended to focus too much on the ball instead of what the other team was actually doing.

"I thought our defense was awful and they know that. We got stuck to the floor and didn't read very well, and as a result, that's the main reason Centenary hung around," said Schmidlin. "That was the worst defensive performance we have had in at least four weeks."

Centenary had 51 digs to OU's 41 and Centenary had 12 total blocks, while OU had 11.

"I was never really worried that we were going to lose," said Schmidlin. "It's just the fact that we as a team have to learn how to execute and how to finish out a match. And that's something we're going to focus on more in practice."

Freshman outside hitter Chelsea Licavoli had 13 kills and 18 points and senior outside hitter Sara Miller finished with 13 kills and 14 points.

Moller finished the game with

53 assists and six kills.

"(Moller) played well overall. She is still learning how to direct an offense and adjusting to what the other team is doing," said Schmidlin. "That's something we have to work on in practice more. She did a great job I thought, she ran the middle really well."

In the Grizzlies' second Mid-Con match, they played Oral Roberts tough in the first two games. In the first game, OU was up 29-28, but had a service error to tie the game.

Oral Roberts was able to score two straight points and win the game, 31-29.

Oral Roberts took an early 14-8 lead in the second game. OU went on 7-2 run to pull within one 16-15. The teams went back and forth, but Oral Roberts was able to prevail 30-28 to take a two games to none lead.

Senior outside hitter, Becky Brunelle, scored four straight points for Oral Roberts to start game three. Oral Roberts continued to dominate the third game, jumping out to an 18-4 lead.

OU was not able to mount a comeback, falling 30-11 and losing the match, 3-0.

No Grizzly was able to hit double figures in kills. Lippert and Licavoli led OU with seven apiece. Licavoli also led OU defensively with 11 digs.

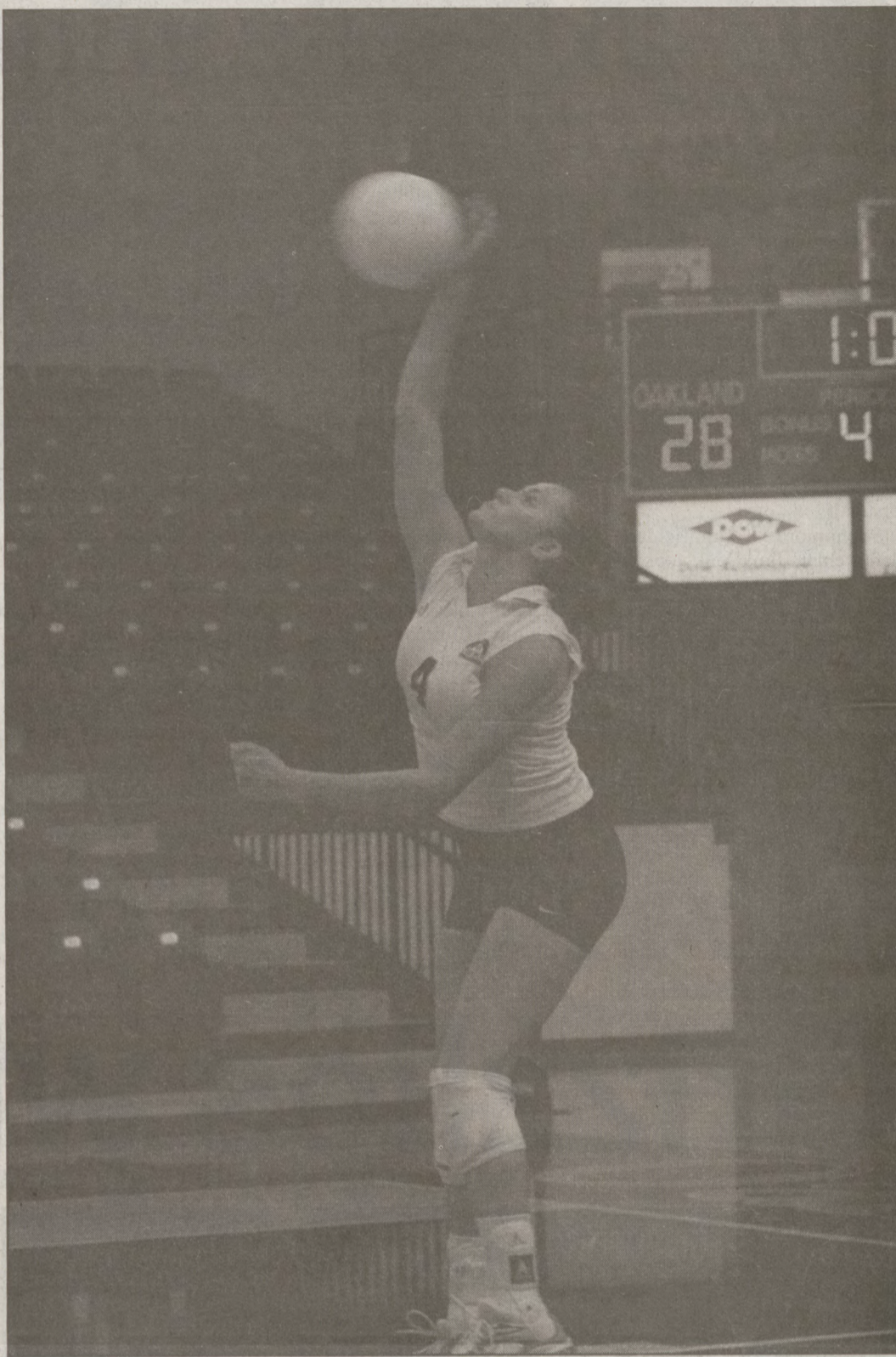
Moller had nine digs to go with 18 assists.

The Golden Eagles defense was led by senior libero Becky Dreher, who had 20 digs.

Senior outside hitter Becky Brunelle finished with 10 digs and nine kills. Sophomore hitter Ori Zuzic led Oral Roberts with 12 kills.

With the loss, OU's record drops to 3-9 overall and 1-1 in the Mid-Con.

OU will continue Mid-Con play this weekend traveling to UMKC on Friday and then Western Illinois University on Saturday.



Bob Knoska/Th Oakland Post

Freshman outside hitter Chelsea Licavoli sends a serve toward the Centenary Ladies.

Surgery may be only option for Gutierrez

By JOHN ELIGON
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS
(KRT)

DETROIT — A little less than a month ago, quarterback Matt Gutierrez was preparing to make his first start as a Wolverine. Now, because of a nagging injury to his right shoulder, the rest of his season appears to be in jeopardy.

Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said Monday that Gutierrez had an MRI last week, but he would not give any specifics on the results.

Gutierrez, a redshirt sophomore, has not seen any action at quarterback this season because of the sore throwing shoulder that began giving him problems during the week leading up to the season opener against Miami (Ohio).

Gutierrez's father, Paul, also declined to comment on the details of his son's injury, but said they were consulting a specialist in Los Angeles. Paul Gutierrez said his son expected to make a decision on his future by Wednesday.

Matt Gutierrez's options could include rehabilitation or surgery. Gutierrez has participated minimally in pregame warm-ups and has been the holder on field goals and extra points. Carr said that because Gutierrez already had used a redshirt season, he would not be eligible for a medical redshirt.

Although it has been a trying last few weeks for the quarterback, who played in 12 games and threw 19 passes as John Navarre's backup last season, Paul Gutierrez said his son was keeping his head up.

"He's positive," Paul



Kirthon F. Dozier/Detroit Free Press

Michael Hart could be Michigan's starting running back Saturday

Gutierrez said. "He's wanting to know what the final prognosis is and wanting to move forward in whatever direction that's going to be."

Although Matt Gutierrez has not been able to get on the field as a quarterback, U-M running back David Underwood said he still was assuming a leadership role.

On and off the field, Gutierrez offers words of encouragement to his teammates, Underwood said.

"He goes in, he watches film and analyzes film and tells us little things we need to look for in our game," Underwood said. "He's a real strong person. He's been handling things real well. That's the kind of person you want to have around you on the team and in life."

Because of Gutierrez's injury, true freshman Chad Henne has assumed the starting role and has impressed his teammates and coaches in doing so. On the season, Henne has completed 66 of 114 passes for 780 yards. He has thrown six touchdowns and five interceptions.

"Considering all of the things that it takes to play that position and the pressure that comes from the expectations," Carr said, "I think he's really handled himself well."

HART TO START? Henne isn't the only true freshman making an impact. After leading the Wolverines in rushing for two straight games, tailback Michael Hart is listed No. 1 on the team's depth chart, which was released Monday.

As usual, Carr wouldn't anoint Hart with the starting job just yet, but he said the Syracuse, N.Y., native was the frontrunner.

"I think there's a good chance that depending on how he practices, that he will start," Carr said.

This season, Hart has rushed 59 times for 257 yards and one touchdown. His breakout performance came two weeks ago when he carried the ball 25 times for 121 yards in a 24-21 victory over San Diego State.

Like Henne, Hart has gotten his chance to play, in part, because of an injury to a more seasoned starter. Underwood, a senior who started the first two games, hasn't played the past two weeks after suffering a concussion at Notre Dame.

Carr said Monday he hoped to give Underwood some playing time when the Wolverines travel to Indiana this Saturday. Even though he hasn't played much, Underwood said he was happy to see Hart excel.

Hockey splits two with Flyers

By KYLE MAGIN
THE OAKLAND POST

OU's Division III hockey team opened the season this weekend, winning 9-6 over Division II University of Dayton on Friday, but falling to Dayton, 6-3, on Saturday.

OU was led by freshman Brett Laird, who was in on five goals, scoring three, and dishing out two assists.

Laird gave credit to his teammates after the game, citing the inspired play of fellow freshman and linemate Ian Chnoby for assisting him on his goals.

Despite giving up six goals, head coach Eric Wojno said freshman Andrew Hanson looked good in goal. Hanson had a goal-saving glove save mid-

way through the second period.

Wojno, in his first year coaching, was particularly impressed with his team's intensity and effort.

"As a result of only having three practices as a team before this game, I think a majority of our issues stemmed from the team not really knowing each other," Wojno said. "But I thought they really came together well."

"I think the team needs to work on defensive zone coverage. We got crossed up at some points during the game, but overall I was very pleased with our intensity."

OU dropped the second game, 6-3, although Laird continued his scoring ways with another goal, totaling four on the week-

end.

Wojno said the team seemed to have a hard time with chemistry. They sustained their intensity and continued to learn one another's games.

Freshman Ryan Kohut was in goal for the loss, though he remained positive about his first collegiate start.

"I think we definitely haven't come together as a team, having only skated a few times together, but I really think we're learning each other and getting better every game," Kohut said.

"This is a team I really see doing well, we just need to come together and learn to feed off each other's games."

The DIII team will be in action again next weekend at Central Michigan University.

Men finish 5th

By DANA UTZ
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

The men's and women's golf teams competed at the Eastern Kentucky Fall Invitational this weekend in Richmond, KY.

On the men's side, OU managed to take home a fifth-place finish, as the team shot 866. Eastern Kentucky shot an 842 and won the invitational.

Senior Brian Stuard led the team with an eight-under score of 208 on Friday and Saturday. He played all three rounds of the event under par, placing third overall.

Mid-Con Player of the Week Jonathon Pauli shot 215 and tied for 13th.

Sophomore Rob Reynolds had a three round total of 223 and tied for 42nd place. Close behind was senior Matt Pullen, who tied for 45th with a 225. Junior Ryan Schultheiss shot 228 and tied for 52nd place.

On the women's side, the Golden Grizzlies finished in sixth place with a team total of 957 in the three rounds.

Junior Patricia Ellsworth led her team by shooting a 230, which placed her in a tie for fourth overall.

Senior Leigh Gulbransen was behind Ellsworth as she shot a 239 and tied for 21st place. Sophomore Christina Cibrario tied for 33rd with a score of 243. Sophomore Stacey Goins scored 245 and tied for 37th place. Katie Hollenbeck tied for 49th place with a score of 254.

OU's next competition for both the men and women is Oct. 4 at the Dayton Invitational.

Top 5 in Kentucky

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