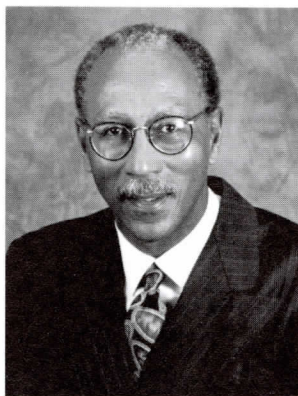


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A newsletter for Oakland University colleagues

Bing at King



Dave Bing

Ex Pistons star to keynote Oakland's annual Keeper of the Dream Awards Banquet

Tuskegee Airmen highlight African-American Celebration Month

Oakland University will mark African-American Celebration Month January 18 to February 18, exploring the richness of diverse cultures with educational and social activities open to the public.

Major events of the month, titled *Artistic Expressions of African-American Life and History*, include The Tuskegee Airmen, black pilots who fought during World War II in the U.S. Army Air Corps. They will speak noon-1:30 p.m. February 4 in 201 Dodge Hall.

There is no cost to attend.

The opening event was on January 18, honoring the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., which began with the annual march that symbolizes the unification of all cultures on OU's campus.

Celebration month co-chairs are Vice Provost Robert Johnson and Stacie Shackelford, coordinator, Pre-College Programs, Learning Resources.

The schedule:

- February 2: La Pittura Art Show, all day, Gold Room B, OC; Artistic Expression of Greek Colors, noon-1 p.m., rooms 129-130, OC
 - February 3: Diversity Awareness Trivia Challenge, noon-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge, OC
 - February 4: Nationally Acclaimed Speakers: Tuskegee Airmen, noon-1:30 p.m., 201 Dodge Hall; Play: *Death and the King's Horseman*, 8 p.m., Varner Studio Theatre, Varner Hall (also playing February 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14). A drama based on a real-life incident concerning a ritual death ceremony by Nigeria's Nobel Laureate for literature.
 - February 8: African-American Contributions to Arts and Literature, noon-1 p.m., Gold Room A, OC
 - February 10: Male Fashion Extravaganza, 7 p.m., Gold Rooms A-B, OC
 - February 11: Health Awareness Day including Bone Marrow Drive by American Red Cross, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Fireside Lounge, OC; Soul Food Extravaganza, 7 p.m.-10 p.m., Oakland Room, OC
 - February 12: Showcase of Talent and Art Exhibit, 7 p.m., Gold Rooms, OC
 - February 16: Historical Drum, Dance and Step Program, 7 p.m., Varner Recital Hall, Varner Hall
 - February 17: Male/Female Conference, 6 p.m.-10 p.m., rooms 126-130, Oakland Room, OC; African-American Mock Wedding, 8 p.m.-9 p.m., Gold Rooms A-B, OC
 - February 18: Keeper of the Dream Banquet, keynote speaker is Dave Bing, 6 p.m., Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion
- African-American Celebration Month sponsors are African American Celebration Month Committee, Association of Black Students, Center for Student Activities and Leadership Development, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Department of Music, Theatre and Dance, Graham Health Center, Greek Council, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., La Pittura, Meadow Brook Theatre, National Society of Black Engineers, Office of Admissions and Enrollment Management, Office of Equity, Office of the President, Placement and Career Services, Residence Halls Council, School of Nursing, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., Sigma Lambda Gamma Sorority, Inc., Student Program Board, OU Counseling Center, Department of Campus Recreation and Golden Key National Honor Society.

in the NEWS

Panel discusses importance of diversity

Moderated by WDIV anchor Emery King, a distinguished panel of industry and educational leaders discussed *Diversity in the Workplace* January 19. Panelists and their main points:

- Willie Lloyd, director, Placement Services and Cooperative Education, Oakland Community College: "Awareness, acknowledgment and reinforcement that diversity is important."
- Sam Hall, managing director, In Roads: "Diversity is why we are in business."
- Kelley Jones, personnel programs specialist, DaimlerChrysler Corporation: "It means working with all types of people in all types of areas."
- Gregory Georgianni, manager of diversity, Ford Motor Company: "You must tie diversity to the bottom line of a company."
- Theresa Orlaske-Rich, General Motors Corporation: "We are hosting a diversity conference in the spirit of cooperation."
- Steve Horn, corporate community relations manager, IBM: "Diversity is a continuous process."
- Barbara Palmer, vp of corporate employment and diversity, HFHS: "We must value diversity."

KEEPER of the DREAM

Former Detroit Pistons star Dave Bing, CEO, The Bing Group, will be the keynote speaker at Oakland University's Seventh Annual Keeper of the Dream Awards Banquet February 18.

The fund-raiser, titled *The Dream in the New Millennium*, honors Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and supports the Keeper of the Dream Award for OU students.

The award recognizes students who have demonstrated strong citizenship, scholarship and leadership in breaking down cultural stereotypes and in promoting interracial understanding.

OU President Gary D. Russi hosts the event and Joy James Williams, director, Special Events, is the event coordinator.

Business and community leaders, representatives of local, county and state governments, and OU faculty, staff and students will attend the event.

"The Keeper of the Dream Banquet demonstrates Oakland's commitment to increasing the retention and graduation of a richly diverse student body and fostering the growth of a campus climate receptive to diversity and multiculturalism," says Glenn McIntosh, director, Office of Equity and Advising Resource Center. In 1993, the first banquet drew about 350 people. Last year, more than 800 attended. McIntosh attributes the increase to the growth in embracing the spirit of King's vision.

The event culminates OU's observation of African-American Celebration Month.

Sociology Associate Professor Kevin Early will again serve as master of ceremonies, offering the opening and closing remarks. The tentative program calls for OU President Gary D. Russi to give an address; Admissions Adviser Merideth Perry to sing *Life Every Voice and Sing*; Meadow Brook Estate's Paul Moran and Jerry Kele to sing *It's Our Time*; and awards to be handed to OU students.

The event has grown in popularity and support, signified by the dramatic rise in revenues from \$9,000 in its first year to more than \$100,000 last year. 1998's event also attracted a record number of corporate sponsors, Early says.

"People have embraced the idea of the banquet, the spirit of Dr.

King's vision," he says. "Their commitment to diversity celebrates the values for which Dr. King lived and died."

Doors open at 6 p.m. for the banquet at Shotwell Gustafson Pavilion on OU's campus. Dinner and the program will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$75 per person.

Call 4665 for more information.

bits and PIECES



Campus Recreation Director Greg Jordan speaks to new employees at a orientation January 7.

REGISTRY

new faces

- **Simon Dover**, athletics business manager, Athletics
- **Emily Fletcher**, group sales manager, Meadow Brook Theatre
- **Diana Fernando**, staff attorney, Board of Trustees
- **Jeffrey Harper**, telemarketing manager, Meadow Brook Theatre
- **Joyce McGathy**, secretary I, School of Business Administration
- **Monique Minniti**, academic adviser, School of Education and Human Services
- **Gretchen Parks**, academic adviser, School of Education and Human Services
- **Robert Vaughn**, custodian I, Campus Facilities and Operations
- **Daniel Wilson**, computer technician, Office Training and User Support

Newspaper awards first theatre collaboration

The *Detroit Free Press* named the Oakland University Meadow Brook Theatre/Music Theatre and Dance production of *Angels in America, Millenium Approaches*, one of the top 10 local plays of 1998.

Angels was the first collaboration between MBT and MT&D, which shared talent and facilities to produce the controversial,

MT&D honors Black History Month with compelling drama

In honor of Black History Month, the Department of Music Theatre and Dance presents *Death and the King's Horseman*, an extraordinary play by Wole Soyinka, the Nobel Laureate for Literature from Nigeria.

The production runs February 4-14 in the Varner Studio Theatre.

The play is based on a real-life incident involving a ritual sacrifice in a Nigerian village and the interference of a British colonial officer that leads to disaster.

Directed by Associate Professor of Theatre Michael Gillespie, the cast is lead by Esau Pritchett as Elesin. Pritchett won the American College

Theatre Festival's Irene Ryan Acting Award in 1997. He was also noted as one of "Detroit's Theatre Royalty" by the *Detroit Free Press* in October 1998.

Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$8 for senior/OU

of distinction

Joann Burrington, School of Nursing, is coordinating several projects that began in January which need input on scholarly activities of Oakland University nursing faculty. She can be reached at 4065.

Kitty Dubin, Music, Theatre and Dance, was named a semi-finalist in the New York City 15-Minute Playwriting Competition for her play, *Mimi and Me*. The play will also be featured as one of six short plays that make up *The Day We Met*, an evening of one-act plays which the Jewish Ensemble Theatre in West Bloomfield will be performing next season. This will be Dubin's third production with JET. Other theatres that have produced her work include local theatres The Purple Rose Theatre and Heartlande Theatre Company as well as the Live Oak Theatre in Austin, Texas.

Ken Elder, Physics, won a Cottrell College Science Award for his project, *State selection in nonequilibrium systems*. The program supports basic research in chemistry, physics and astronomy.

Paul Franklin, Center for Student Activities and Leadership Development, was appointed to the

Conference Planning Committee for the 2001 International Conference of the Association of College Unions International. The conference will be held in Toronto in March 2001.

Frances Jackson, School of Nursing, wrote an article, titled *The ABCs of black skin and hair care*, in the October/November issue of the *Association of Black Nursing Faculty Journal*. Her appointment as a research fellow for Henry Ford Health Systems' Medical Effectiveness Treatment Center starts this year for a two-year term. She has been appointed to the AIDS/HIV Subcommittee of the Health and Community Outreach Committee of the American Red Cross, Detroit Chapter. In collaboration with Stephanie Schim, HFHS nursing scholar, Oakland has completed phase one of its hospice study. The purpose of the study is to ascertain barriers of African-American patients to hospice care. In phase one, home care nurses were surveyed to identify system barriers for African-American patients to hospice services.

Philip Singer, Health Behavioral Sciences, produced a medical anthropological video documentary which is extensively cited in a new

employees, \$5 for OU students. Performances in the Varner Studio Theatre are scheduled as follows:

- February 4, 5 and 6 at 8 p.m.
- February 7 at 2 p.m.
- February 9 and 10 at 10 a.m.
- February 11, 12 and 13 at 8 p.m.
- February 14 at 2 p.m.

Visit or call the Varner Box Office at 3013 for information and tickets.

OU co-op program introduces students to GM plant production supervision

Oakland University in January started a co-op program in which students will supervise pickup truck production at the General Motors Pontiac East Assembly plant.

It's an exciting opportunity for students considering manufacturing as a career option, says Helen Ellison, assistant director, OU's Placement and Career Services.

The co-op is open to majors in business, human resource development, human resource management, engineering and arts and sciences. Students work full time for one semester, supervising a medium to large group of employees. They are also responsible for effective use of personnel, material and equipment; meeting the production cost schedule; maintaining quality control requirements; and complying with labor agreement terms.

book on alternative medicine. The title of the book is *Honey, Mud, Maggots, and Other Medical Marvels*. The book was written by R. And M. Root-Bernstein and was published by Houghton-Mifflin Co. Singer's documentary, *Bioethics Where There Are No Bioethicists*, depicts the use of honey and sugar for ulcers and bedsores in a remote Mexican village of disabled people. The chapter describes the science behind the sugar and honey folk remedy. The particular documentary by Singer is one of five titled *Where There Are No Physical Therapists*.

Ronald Sudol, Rhetoric, Communication and Journalism, was one of 89 panelists from a nationwide pool of more than 420 nominees who helped set achievement standards for the 1998 National Assessment of Educational Progress in writing. Panelists were chosen for their contributions to writing instruction and to their communities. From December 10-14, they met in St. Louis with staff from ACT Inc. and other experts in writing instruction and testing for activities related to setting the criteria by which United States students' performance on the NAEP writing test will be related.

WAY OF LIFE

Here's your prescription for preventing a heart attack

You've heard about the importance of lowering your cholesterol level.

But can it really prevent a heart attack?

Let's look at the facts. Most heart attacks are caused by coronary artery disease, which develops when plaque builds up in the artery supplying blood to your heart.

The major component of this plaque?

Cholesterol.

So controlling cholesterol is one key to keeping your coronaries healthy. You might be surprised to learn, however, that there are four more. At the Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute, we call this the prescription for preventing a heart attack.

The reason is simple. In 23 years of clinical evaluation, we're not aware of anyone with these five key characteristics who has suffered a heart attack caused by coronary artery disease.

The magic five?

- No tobacco
- Absence of diabetes
- Blood pressure equal to or better than 120/80 mmHg
- Total cholesterol under 150 mg or cholesterol/HDL ratio of 3.4 or better
- Regular exercise

The institute doesn't suggest the above profile is absolute. However, in the thousands of evaluations conducted at Oakland University, our staff has not identified even one person who developed coronary artery disease with this profile. That makes it a pretty good place to start.

How close are you to achieving this profile? During your next physical exam, use this standard to determine your risk profile. Remember, most people are capable of achieving this profile by enhancing their lifestyle. For those who have a more difficult time, medication can be the answer.

For more information, call the institute at 4523.

Next issue: *How I lost 20 pounds on the road to dropping 61 cholesterol points.*

Oakland University credit union is a friend of the family

Oakland University faculty and staff members have a friend in the financial services business — and so do their families.

Compared to commercial banks, the Oakland University Branch of the Michigan State University Federal Credit Union (MSUFCU) charges less for loans and pays more for saving or investing money, says Vice President John Savio.

The credit union offers many benefits such as personalized service, which is becoming harder to find. For starters, Savio says the credit union won't charge a fee for conducting business with a teller. Faculty, staff, students, alumni, anybody related to them by birth or marriage, and anybody otherwise affiliated with the university can buy into the member-owned cooperative for \$5, the cost of one share. Members can even finance larger purchases such as homes.

Other advantages:

- No surcharges for ATM service.
- The credit union is Y2K compliant.



John Savio, vice president, OU branch, Michigan State University Federal Credit Union, says the credit union provides unique services and advantages for OU faculty and staff. Call 3545 for more information.

- Earn interest on savings and checking accounts.
- Oakland Pridemark checks. Show your school spirit with checks sporting the OU logo or Golden Grizzlies logo.
- Auto Search. Shop for a new or used vehicle at the credit union.

Get prices and a complete accident history of used cars using the VIN number.

- Conduct transactions and pay bills electronically using a computer and modem at home, work or elsewhere. There's no charge to use ComputerLine.
- Another Automatic Teller Machine (ATM) will be added to the campus early this year.

For more information, contact the credit union at 3545, visit its Web site at www.Oakland.edu/msufcu or drop by. The branch is at 3265 Five Points Drive, off of Squirrel Road, just west of campus.

Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Finding strength in diversity



PUMPING UP FOR LIFE: Glenn McIntosh lifts free weights in the new Recreation and Athletics Center. McIntosh, director, Office of Equity and Advising Resource Center, gets to the gym at 5 a.m. every morning for an hourlong cardiovascular and weight lifting workout. The results: multiple bodybuilding titles, peace of mind and a winning attitude. "Your health has a definite impact on how effective you are in life," he says. "People need to make that connection."

Glenn McIntosh discovers uniting his personal and professional ideals is a winning strategy

Glenn McIntosh is committed to honing every aspect of himself: the mental, the physical and the spiritual.

That's why since 1986, he's found the strength six days a week to make it to the gym by 5 a.m. for his hourlong cardiovascular and weight lifting workout.

That's why 1986 was the last time he indulged in junk food. So far, this dedication has led the director of the Office of Equity and Advising Resource Center to many bodybuilding titles and growing professional success.

As a bodybuilder, he's collected trophies in the Midwest championships, Mid Michigan championships, Mr. Michigan and Mr. Ironman.

As director of the Office of Equity, he established the

Trustee Academic Scholarship Success Program (TASS), which in its five years has offered about 30 scholarships annually to a diverse group of students. The program helps students earn higher-than-average grades and develop leadership skills on campus.

For the past two years, his office funded about 15 proposals from faculty and staff to move diversity forward at Oakland University.

Reaching out to Oakland students

Since he assumed responsibility for the Advising Resource Center (ARC) last September, he's been establishing a student-center environment that will promote academic, personal and social development among first-year and undecided students.

One of his major goals for the ARC is to reach out to students more by taking the office to Oakland Center and residence halls.

"In the past, it's usually been up to the students to navigate

the university's systems and find out about its different resources," McIntosh says. "Now we're telling students about our services earlier in their college careers — just after they're admitted. That way, we're connecting the student to the university and the services we offer."

Glenn McIntosh, by the numbers

Height: 5 ft 10 in
Weight: 205 pounds
Age: 35
How much he can bench press: 425 pounds
Leg press: 1,400 pounds
Squat: 575 pounds

McIntosh, who is a member of OU's President's Cabinet, says his role model is the late Paul Robeson. He admires the scholar, athlete and human rights advocate for his diverse interests and skills.

"It's very important to be well-rounded," McIntosh says. "That's why I get up early because physical development is part of the growth process."

If I waited until some other time in the day, it may not get done."

Building a healthy life

McIntosh wants to share his message on healthy living.

"Your health has a definite impact on how effective you are in life," he says. "People need to make that connection."

McIntosh didn't plan to turn into Superman — he was just trying to lose weight.

Soon after he started weight training and learned the value of proper nutrition, he saw results.

As a "natural" bodybuilder, McIntosh doesn't take steroids. He concentrates on balancing proteins and carbohydrates and keeping fat intake very low.

He eats five to six small meals each day, each consisting of one serving of protein such as chicken or turkey breast, a leafy vegetable, and starch such as potato or rice.

What advice does he have for people who want to lose weight? "Eat low-fat foods, stay away from fried foods and eat in moderation."

"And don't eat to pacify yourself."

'Just imagine what they could do'



Office reorganization focuses brighter spotlight on research, resources and visibility

Randy Hansen, interim director, Office of Grants, Contracts and Sponsored Research, says Oakland University faculty conduct phenomenal research.

"Just imagine what they could do with more resources. That's my mission for research — more visibility, more resources, more opportunities and more initiatives," says Hansen, a psychology professor who began his Oakland University career in 1975. Hansen says increasing the visibility of research is a way to build Oakland's image as a doctoral granting university.

In the early stages, he will emphasize Web development to enhance the electronic infrastructure for research and to attract high-quality undergraduates shopping for graduate school. Hansen also plans to promote a paperless environment for research administration.

One of his goals since he took the position last September has been to build research partnerships. He began by developing interdisciplinary research collaborations. Now he wants to expand his efforts by finding ways to create research partnerships with government, business and industry.

These objectives are part of Hansen's effort to augment the strategic plan for research at Oakland. He's concentrating on learning more about the specialized research interests of the Oakland faculty so he can help build a research environment supportive of those objectives.

For his next step, he will invite the Deans' Council, department chairs and individual researchers to participate in "creating the future" for OU research.

Hansen reports directly to the provost, a change that allows more efficient movement of information.

"Part of the reason we decided to move to this reporting relationship was to emphasize research and scholarship," says David Downing, interim vice president, Academic Affairs, and Provost.

Hansen says the reorganization makes it easier to respond to issues, "whether they concern new program development, community outreach or any of the other aspects of our academic mission."

"It is clear to me that the message of this reorganization is that we want to cultivate the potentially very bright future for research at Oakland University, but we are challenged not to relinquish the traditional ties of research to teaching, particularly graduate education."

By all accounts, university fund drive a big success

Consider these triple signs of the 1998 Oakland University All-University Fund Drive's success:

- Employees shattered the campaign goal of \$150,000 by giving \$173,000.
- The participation rate jumped to 44 percent, an increase of 6 percent from last year.
- Employees gave \$143,000 to OU, \$25,000 to United Way and \$5,000 to Black United Fund, all increases over past giving totals.

"This year's AUFD is a chance for Oakland University to show that we care — about our university, our students and

the communities in which we live," OU President Gary D. Russi says. "Our pride in ourselves sets an example to the community."

AUFD Co-Chairs Pat Nicosia and Kevin Murphy agree.

"We wish to thank all of those who participated in the campaign — contributors, group leaders and committee chairs," Murphy says.



Nicosia added: "This year's AUFD has been successful because of the unselfish efforts of the committee members, group leaders and Oakland colleagues who gave. I thank everyone for their commitment and efforts in making this year's campaign such a success."

Committee members included Sandy Teague, representing the UAW employees; Richard Tomczak, Police; and David Szczesny, AFSCME; and Tracy Utech and Margo King from University Relations.

Four group leaders achieved 100 percent participation: John Cameron, Art and Art History;

Mary Bonnell and Lynn Anderson, Meadow Brook Hall; and Richard Tomczak, Oakland University Police.

Other group leaders: Sherry Abernathy, Elizabeth Barclay, Scott Barns, Brian Bouwman, Patrick Bennett, Linda Benson, Beverly Berger, Kimberly Carlsen, Sheryl Klemanski, Shirley Cobb, Brian Connery, Theodore Coutilish, Indra David, David Disend, David Doane, Joyce Dudley, Nancy Dupon, Janice Elvekrog, Beckie Francis, Gerald Freeman, Subramaniam Ganesan, Frank Giblin, Melvin Gilroy, Stephen Glowacki, Paul Graves, Celeste Grice, Arthur Griggs, Randy Gu, Cynthia Hendrix, Gerard Jozwiak, Greg Kampe, William Keane, Willard Kendall, Jr., Sandra Kern, Keith Kleckner, John Klemanski, Carol Lamb, Li Li, Barbara Liegl, Darlene Mathiak, Bonita McNeill, Karen Meyer, Jean Ann Miller, Billy Minor, Raymond Mora, Kim Northrup, Eileen Peacock, Luellen Ramey, Claire Rammel, Paulette Realy, Claire Rewold, Darrell Schmidt, Robert Schwartz, Alan Scott, Carol Searight, Maura Selahowski, Michael Sevilla, Gary Shepherd, Louann Stewart, Robert Stewart, Patricia Stoner, David Szczesny, Tracy Utech, Nancy Vander Werff, Deborah Wade, Weldon Williams, Helen Woodman, Carol Zenas.

Let it plow, let it plow, let it plow

Oakland University grounds crew members take a break from snow plowing. Joined in the effort by custodians from OU and ARAMARK, the crews put in more than 900 overtime hours in January, keeping the university's roads, parking lots, paths and entrance ways clear during the heavy snow falls. "Our crews and custodians have done an outstanding job making the university safe and accessible," says Alan Miller, director, Campus Facilities and Operations. "Our job is to keep the university open."



get to **KNOW**

OU STAFF WHO CELEBRATE AFRICAN-AMERICAN MONTH



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What does African-American Celebration Month mean to you?

It is a time for us to celebrate the cultural, economic, political, and social contributions of Africans in the Americas.

It's a celebration of the continued success and achievements that African-Americans have contributed to the enhancement of society.

It is an opportunity to develop awareness by highlighting contributions of the black Diaspora throughout the country and world.

Recognition and appreciation of the African-American culture, particularly relating to OU employees, students and alums.

In what ways are you celebrating it?

I plan on participating in events on the Oakland University campus and in the surrounding communities.

I am participating in OU's African-American Celebration Month programs and programs in my community.

I plan to celebrate through reflection, recognition and, most of all, prayer.

To attend and participate in as many activities as I can because I want to.

How do you encourage others to celebrate it?

I would encourage others to attend and participate in various events scheduled throughout the month.

I encourage others to participate in programs and to make a commitment to celebrate beyond February.

To do so honestly — to exit our comfort zone and take advantage of this intellectual stimulation.

Take a risk and enjoy the opportunities to learn about other diverse cultures represented on campus.

Who are your African-American heroes/heroines?

Frederick Douglas, W.E.B. DuBois, Benjamin E. Mayes and Andrew Young.

Marva Collings and Zora Neale Hurston.

My hero is my father, a Tuskegee Airman and Buffalo Soldier. My heroine is my mother, the most kind and gentle person I know.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Of these heroes/heroines, who would you most like to have lunch with and why?

Frederick Douglas because he was a great orator. His words challenged the status quo, promoted unity and encouraged social change.

Zora Neale Hurston. She lived an extraordinary life. I would love to talk to her about the motivation behind her novels.

I would like to have lunch with Maya Angelo and W.E.B. DuBois to partake of their brilliance.

I would like to ask Dr. King if his realization has been realized today.

Comedian
Wendi Fox
offers laughs
and a serious message



To Wendi Fox, alcohol abuse is a laughing matter.

Drawing from her childhood in an alcoholic environment and her experience in recovery from alcoholism, the comic will share her thoughts at Oakland University February 5.

In the Alcohol Insanity Tour, Fox serves up her opinions on how alcohol abuse has become a national catastrophe.

Her show validates feelings of people in similar situations as she cultivates awareness of the correlation between low self-esteem and alcoholism today. Fox also realizes that being aware of alcoholism doesn't necessarily solve the problems it creates.

Hear her ideas on how to correct these problems so that the next generation doesn't carry on the abuse — and have some laughs.

Fox has toured colleges and comedy clubs throughout the nation and she's appeared on many national television programs.

OU's event is sponsored by the Department of University Housing, the Student Program Board, Alcohol and Other Drugs Council, the police department and the Greek Council.

Admission is free and the public is welcome; the show starts at 8 p.m. in the Vandenberg Hall cafeteria.

For more information, call Dave Moroz at 3570.

employee of the **MONTH**

EMPLOYEE: Terry Heinz
TITLE: Computer Technologist
DEPARTMENT: School of Engineering and Computer Science



LENGTH OF SERVICE: Five years

COMMENTS:
"Mr. Terrence Heinz is synonymous with 'computer' in SECS. His warmth in listening to your needs and logically addressing the issues with regular follow-ups is impressive."

"Mr. Heinz is an extremely hard-working, intelligent and highly motivated individual who has managed a department that has grown in sheer numbers of computers by nearly 250 percent since his hiring four years ago."

calendar of **EVENTS**

People with disabilities who need special assistance to attend any of the events listed may call the sponsoring unit or the Office of Disability Support Services at 3266. Meadow Brook Hall tours are 1:30 p.m. daily and from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Sundays (last tour begins at 3:45 p.m.).

FEBRUARY

- 1-21 *Picturing Paris 1850 to Present* (DIA Collection), MBAG
- 2 La Pittura Art Show, OC, Gold B, all day
- 2 Artistic Expression of Greek Colors, OC 129-130, noon-1 p.m.
- 3 Diversity Awareness Trivia Challenge, OC Fireside Lounge, noon-1 p.m.
- 3 *Millennial Anxieties and Apocalyptic Cures: Religious 'Cults' in the Modern Age*, Gary Shepherd, professor, Sociology and Anthropology Department, Gold Room A, noon to 1 p.m.
- 4 Nationally acclaimed speakers: Tuskegee Airmen, DH 201, noon-1:30 p.m.
- 4 Women's basketball vs Southern Utah, 5:15 p.m.,
- 4 Men's basketball vs Southern Utah, 7:35 p.m.
- 6 Women's swimming vs Western Illinois, 1 p.m.
- 6 Men's basketball vs Western Illinois, 3:15 p.m.
- 6 Men's swimming vs Cincinnati, 2 p.m.
- 7 Women's swimming vs Cincinnati
- 7 Pontiac-Oakland Symphony, *Young Artists Concert*, Varner Recital Hall, 3 p.m.
- 8 African-American contributions to Arts and Literature, OC Gold A, noon-1:30 p.m.
- 9 - 14 *Death and the King's Horseman*, Varner Studio
- 10 *Love, Intrigue and Politics: Studying the Royal Court in Early Modern France*, Sara Chapman, assistant professor, Department of History, 112 Vandenberg Hall, noon-1 p.m.
- 10 Male Fashion Extravaganza, OC Gold A-B, 7 p.m.
- 10 - 3/7 *Scotland Road*, MBT
- 11 Health Awareness Day and Bone Marrow Drive, OC Fireside Lounge, 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- 11 Soul Food Extravaganza, OC Oakland Room, 7 - 10 p.m.
- 12 Showcase of Talent and Art Exhibit, OC Golds, 7 p.m.
- 16 Historical Drum, Dance and Step Program, Varner Recital Hall, 7 p.m.
- 17 Male/Female Conference, OC 126-130 and Oakland Room, 6 p.m.-10 p.m.
- 17 African-American Mock Wedding, OC Gold A-B, 8 p.m.-9 p.m.
- 18 OU Symphonic Band, *Historical Perspectives*, Varner Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
- 18 Keeper of the Dream Banquet, Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion, 6 p.m.
- 25 Men and Women's Swimming: NIC Championship, 11 a.m.



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