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## University begins training on use of hazardous chemicals

By LOUIE KATSAROS  
Staff Writer

About 150 university employees exposed to hazardous materials are being required to attend a specific training session for the handling of these chemicals, starting this semester.

The employees affected include grounds crew, maintenance, mechanical workers, custodians and public safety.

The 1½ hour sessions were started as a result of Michigan passage in February, 1987 of the Right to Know Law. The state law

was adapted from the federal law requiring proper training for manufacturing employees, according to David Strubler, manager of employment and staff development.

He said 50 to 60 employees have completed the training.

The state law said all employees which might come in contact with hazardous materials have the right to be informed.

The university is offering two kinds of sessions: general and specific. The general training is voluntary for interested

employees.

Chemistry professor Paul Tomboulou, who is conducting the training seminars, said there are about 3,000 to 4,000 products on campus which contain hazardous materials. The products range from magic markers to potent chemicals. "Many of these products become hazardous when used improperly," said Tomboulou.

The law also requires manufacturers to provide Michigan Data Safety Sheets (MSDS) for all products which contain hazardous materials.

Kate Lark, administrative assistant in administration and risk management, said, "Most companies are good about sending MSDS with their products, we need these forms, because we are required to have the MSDS available for all employees for their inspection."

Tomboulou estimated there are only about 1,200 MSDS for the 3,000 to 4,000 products on campus.

The law also states that proper labeling procedures must be followed on every container or hazardous chemical in the

workplace. A proper label consists of identification of contained hazardous chemicals and an appropriate warning.

Strubler said every employee has the "potential" to be exposed to dangerous materials. "Employees have the right to know about chemicals they're dealing with," he said.

John SoloRio, senior architect for campus facilities and operations, attended a training session and said, "This is lifesaving information, because many people don't know what they're exposed to."



### Face-off

Oakland soccer player Brian Fitzgerald (left) tenses against a Central Michigan player Nov. 4 at a home

game. The Pioneers won 2-1. See related story page 7.

The Oakland Post/ Jill Nowazyk

## Shortage of publicity hinders student elections

By CATHERINE KAZA  
News Editor

This year's congressional elections have been marked by a lack of publicity and student awareness, according to candidates and students.

Presidential and general elections are being held Nov. 9-11.

Three candidates are running for president, 12 for 20 available congressional seats.

"I don't even know who's running (for Congress)," said student Stacey Potthoff. She said that "besides the little bits of paper tacked on the wall with 300 other sheets," there has been little publicity.

GENNE DE HENAU, junior, said that more publicity should be put in the dorms.

In last year's elections, one candidate mailed campaign material to residence halls students.

Placing fliers on the back of bathroom doors in the lower level women's restroom in the Oakland Center was "tacky," Potthoff said.

Jeff Teska, committee and elections coordinator, said that election fliers were "lost for a day," and were put up later than expected. "It (publicity) can always be better," Teska said.

TESKA SAID that Congress extended the deadline for candidate petitions from Oct. 30 to Nov. 4 because "they didn't think there was enough publicity" about petitions for presidential candidates.

Presidential candidate Kelly Martek said she had a "problem" with the extension. One candidate, Schlichting, took advantage of the extra time. Petitions were first available Oct. 26.

Schlichting said that for candidates' publicity, there should be more than a week's advance notice about petitions.

Martek agreed with Congress' reasoning that there should have been more advance notice for candidates.

Teska could not estimate how many students would vote in this year's elections. About 1,000 of the university's 13,000 students voted

in last year's elections.

HE SAID PROBLEMS with low voter turnout are that students are "too lazy" or "unknowledgeable about University Congress to vote in elections."

"Many students you aren't going to touch at all," Teska said. He said he didn't have any solutions for making students more aware of the elections and Congress in general. "Not every student will pay more attention to what's going on," he said.

Sophomore Joe Ferrari agreed. "There's a lot of apathy around here," he said. Still, he said some of it is because "a lot of people don't know about it (Congress)."

MARTEK AGREED. "I don't think we're reaching the whole student population," she said.

Congress needs to make itself "more attractive to people," and stress the importance of filling vacancies, according to DeHenau.

Potthoff said, "They're going to have to go to the people. People aren't going to come to them," she said.

## Extension classes not always desirable

BY ALISA NASS  
Staff Writer

While extension courses are viewed as a 'community service' by the university, some students think they are more of an inconvenience than a service.

More than 4,000 students take extension courses annually.

"The amount of money you pay for it (a course), it seems like they should have it on-campus. I thought extensions were for people who didn't want to go through it (the curriculum)," said senior Calen Stone, a journalism major.

STONE IS taking a journalism extension course this semester to complete his degree on time.

Junior Gail Montgomery, a commuter student from Lake Orion, said, "It's (the university) closer to my home. Plus I like the atmosphere on campus better."

Kim Kerchoff, senior, said, "I've taken more extension classes than I have classes on campus. Classes (on campus) are at odd hours if you work days. Plus, they charge more for off campus classes which I think is very unfair."

Some students point to positive aspects of the program. Meg Hughes of Royal Oak, decided to take a university extension course after reading about it in her local school district's paper.

"I always wanted to take a writing class and noticed it in the paper we get from the school district. At first I was going to go with a high school class and thought, 'why start small?'" she asked.

EXTENSION COURSES were first offered at Oakland in 1974, said Sheryl Clark, coordinator of field services for the evening and extension program.

The philosophy of extension classes has been, "To serve the student population (non-traditional) in an area near their home," said Clark.

"If they (students) are out of school awhile, it's a more comfortable way to ease themselves into a university program," she said.

Students considered non-traditional are those who go to school part time or nights, work full time, or are older and have decided to return to school.

However, the courses are not attended only by non-traditional students.

"There's really a blend of campus of traditional and non-traditional students. It's hard to say what the population is," said Clark.

A COMPLAINT from some students, who take extension courses is that they don't really have a choice.

Clark said, "The student has to make the decision (to take an extension). Is the course important enough to make the drive or wait until it is more convenient when offered on

campus?" asked Clark.

The decision of what classes are offered as extensions is determined by the deans or chairs of the individual schools, said Clark.

Journalism, human resource development, management and general education are some departments that frequently offer extension courses, she said.

Dan Braunstein, chair of management and marketing, said all courses taught as extensions are "limited to the 200 and 300 level."

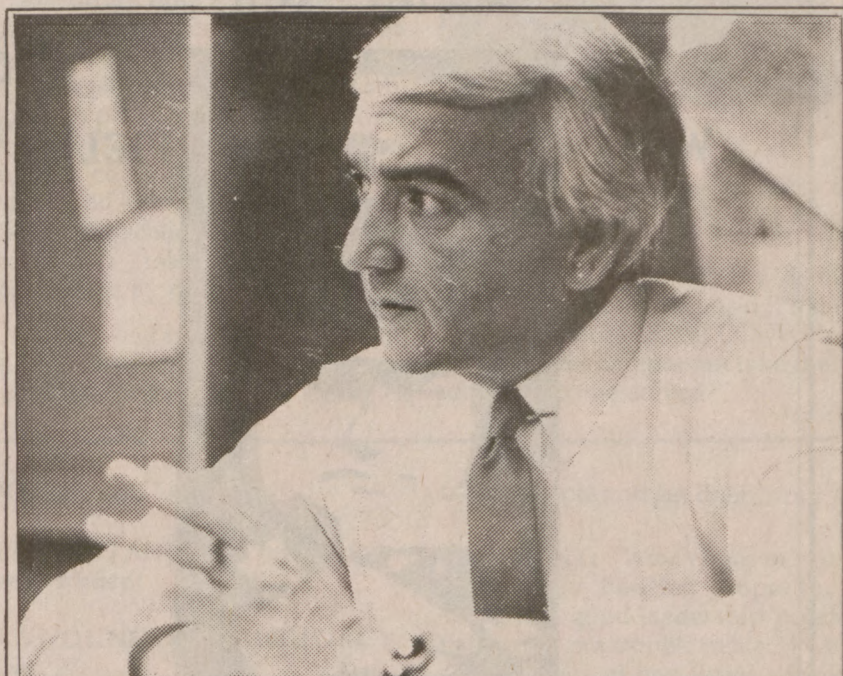
"Any class we offer off campus is the second section. I don't believe we offer a course off campus that we don't offer on campus," he said.

WILLIAM MOORHOUSE, chair of human resource development, said his department offers nine or 10 lower-level extension classes each term. One of the major reasons is because the department doesn't have enough regular faculty to teach on campus, Moorhouse said.

He said that the evening program is "very important" for HRD, since approximately 80 percent of the departments' students attend evening classes.

This semester, courses are held in Royal Oak, Birmingham, Pontiac, Sterling Heights and Rochester.

The cost for an extension credit hour for freshmen and sophomores is \$7 more than an on-campus credit hour. At the junior-senior level, one extension credit hour is \$6 more.



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Board member Don Bemis has been superintendent of Utica Community Schools for 17 years.

## Trustee brings experience to board

Bemis is Utica schools superintendent

By CATHERINE KAZA  
News Editor

Working for schools is not unfamiliar to university trustee Don Bemis. Bemis, 52, has been superintendent of Utica Community Schools for 17 years.

"I like being with kids," he said.

Bemis took 31 students representing Michigan to the Soviet Union during the summer as part of a student ambassadorship program, the Soviet Initiative for Understanding.

BEMIS IS also involved with an Asian study program for

Utica students. The program sends 150 students for three years to study in different Asian countries. The program is in its second year.

"We don't know very much about Asia," said Bemis, adding that the continent is becoming more important in world events. "Things are changing and we better be with it," he said.

Although Bemis has been a university trustee only since 1984, he has been involved with the university for 20 years. UCS trains student teachers.

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## Schools vary approach to condom issue

By LIZ BURA  
Staff Writer

Increasing concern over the spread of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome has led at least one state university to install condom vending machines on campus.

Michigan Technological University in Houghton installed the machines in library restrooms this fall. Mary Laub, affirmative action officer and member of the school's AIDS task force said, "We still believe abstinence is the key (to

preventing AIDS) but we couldn't bury our heads in the sand. Not everyone wants that form (of prevention)."

OTHER UNIVERSITIES are just beginning to confront the issue.

The University of Michigan-Dearborn is sending out a letter next week, requesting members for an AIDS task force, according to Kay Peter, director of campus services. Peter said the issue of condom vending machines will be discussed if there is concern.

The school's student newspaper,

The Michigan Journal, is asking whether condom vending machines should be installed as its viewpoint question of the week, according to Shirley Horn, editor in chief.

At Michigan State University, the student government has been approached by about 10 companies interested in installing the machines in residence hall restrooms, according to the school's newspaper staff writer Dave Stearns.

"It's been talked about, but the administration hasn't looked at it

yet," Stearns said.

Sparky Calabro, editor in chief of the Western Herald, of Western Michigan University, said the university was approached three weeks ago by a company interested in installing the machines in women's restrooms. The administration decided against the idea, he said, believing condom distribution was adequate through the health center.

Ann AuxTine, president of the student government at Central

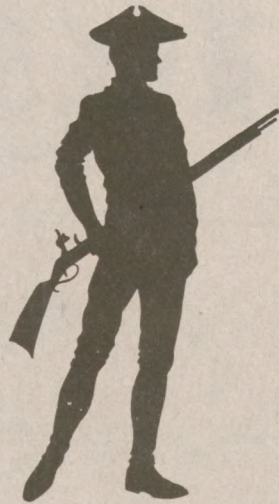
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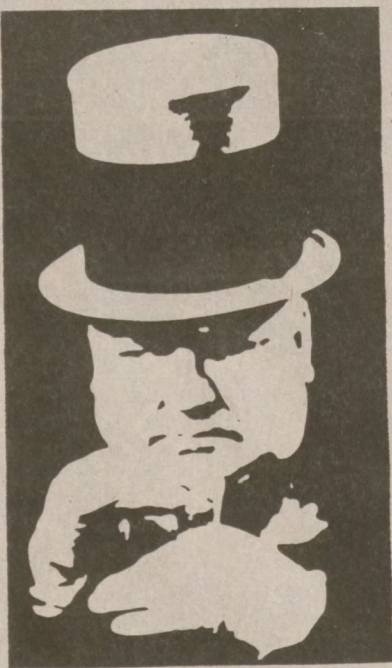
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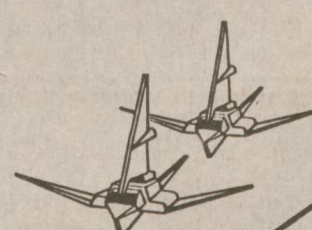
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**Fast cars**

Spectators watch one phase of the National Collegiate Driving Championships in the Dodge Hall Parking lot last week. Neil Childs was

Oakland's winner last year. School winners advance to the finals in Daytona Beach, Florida. The event is sponsored by Dodge/Goodyear.

**Condoms**

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Michigan University, said the issue will be discussed at its next meeting. If enough support is shown, the issue will be discussed with the administration.

AUX TINEE SAID student feedback has been mixed. "Some think it's a great idea, others think its sil-

ly," she said. However, "Central is a conservative school, I don't think it will pass," she said.

Wayne State University is not considering installation of condom vending machines. "The average age here is 27, and almost all commute," said Vince Kern, editor in chief of the *South End*, the student

newspaper. "There's no traditional sex on campus here," he said.

The issue hasn't been brought up at Eastern Michigan University's student senate yet, according to Patricia Kasprzyk, treasurer. It is a possible topic of discussion at the senate's next meeting, depending on student concern. "What the

students want is what we'll push for," Kasprzyk said.

David Herman, dean of students at Oakland University, said the school "considered all options for dispensing condoms, and finally decided the health center was the most educational and professional choice."

**Bemis**

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Bemis is a lifelong Macomb County resident. He was born in East Detroit, where he lived until he was 12, then moving to Warren. He has lived in Utica for 28 years.

HE SAID the population growth and decline in the area has been phenomenal, with the changing demography of the community. The number of students in the school system has grown from 6,000 to as many as 28,000, although there has recently been a decline.

Bemis said that 2,400 people work part and full time in UCS.

He said that one of the challenges the schools now face is fewer volunteers, because of the increased number of women in the work force. This has led to latch key programs and more pre-school education, he said.

HE RECEIVED his bachelor of science degree in history and a master's degree in guidance and counseling from the University of Michigan.

Bemis has worked in Utica schools since 1960. He started as a teacher in the community schools, before becoming a counselor, personnel director and eventually superintendent.

Bemis said he became superintendent when Utica schools were in a "difficult situation," financially.

He said he had to "get the district out of the tremendous hole it was in," financially.

Bemis said he's found that finance plays an important part in just about any organization, and the university's board of trustees is no exception.

"It was different than I thought it would be," he said. He "wanted to be involved in more programmatic decisions" but found that "more time is spent on economics, just trying to keep it (the university) afloat."

Bemis said he has much to offer as a trustee. He has a "very good understanding of public financing," and is in touch with students, working in the community schools.

"I understand (the) educational process," he said.

There is not much difference between the way the university and community schools are run, according to Bemis. He said the "dynamics of most organizations" are the same.

"The grist for the mill is different, (the) mill is the same," Bemis said.

THE BOARD is now wrestling with major decisions about university involvement with private industry, he said.

There are several things to consider with projects like the Oakland Technology Park, he said. The deeding of land over to anyone is important. "Every time we do something...be conservative and cautious. You give (away) a square inch of university property, it can't be retrieved," Bemis said.

He said while the university should "be helpful to private industry" there should be "unencumbered thought" going on.

HOWEVER, BEMIS said it is realistic to acknowledge that politics are involved.

"My responsibility is to the people of the state of Michigan, not to stockholders," he said.

**Corrections**

Mary Ann Paluda's name was misspelled in last weeks story on Mainstage.

**Presidential candidates offer views on issues**

Students will be voting for the next University Congress president Nov. 9, 10 and 11.

Congress is the official student voice on campus. Its purpose is to act as an arbitrator between the administration and students. It's important that the best presidential candidate be chosen, so as a service to its readers, the *Post* has compiled the following brief profiles on each of the candidates.

NAME: Kelly Martek

CLASS STANDING: junior

ANNOUNCED CANDIDACY: Oct. 26

EXPERIENCE: Congress member one year, Congress executive staff member in charge of legislative affairs one year, president and past secretary and member of Student Alumni Association, orientation group leader summer '87, active in residence halls floor activities.

STAND ON ISSUES:

minimum wage — Against raising the minimum raise for students who work on campus. Believes fewer students will have jobs if wages raised. Instead favors an increment system, where students receive pay increases after spending so much time at a job.

extending office hours — Favors some offices, like financial aid, staying open one or two nights a week. Also favors office staff alternating their lunch hours so offices are not closed during lunch.

outreach: Wants more open forums. Favors holding one Congress meeting a month at noon in



Martek

the Fireside Lounge. Also will keep University Congress open during the spring and summer semesters for regular office hours.

COMMENT: "We (Congress members) need to all work together to better serve the students. We need to stop interpoliticking. Sometimes people get too involved in trying to out do each other.

"(It sometimes) seems like Congress works all year on legislation then dumps it (when a new president begins). We seem to start over each year and I see this as a problem."



Meister

NAME: Joe Schlichting

CLASS STANDING: freshman, second year student

ANNOUNCED CANDIDACY: Nov. 3

EXPERIENCE: Congress member two years, Society of Automotive Engineers member, Area Hall Council member, Center for Arts productions performer

STAND ON ISSUES:

minimum wage — Wants all on-campus student employers to have a \$4 per hour minimum wage.

extending hours — Favors some offices, like financial aid and cashier being open during the evening.

professor rating — Wants Congress to publish a professor review book which would list professors' name, courses taught, teaching style, and average grade in course. Says publication would be the result of a "massive class survey" conducted by Congress members.

copier — Wants Congress to purchase a xerox machine and have it available in its office for students.



Schlichting

Says copies would be available at cost, which is about 2-3 cents each.

COMMENT: "(University Congress is important because) it's the official student voice at OU. We're the channel students can take their problems to be solved."

NAME: Rob Meister

CLASS STANDING: junior, four-year student

ANNOUNCED CANDIDACY: Oct. 27

EXPERIENCE: None

STAND ON ISSUES: "I don't know much about the major issues...I'm around a lot so I'll just

talk to people and get their input."

COMMENT: "When I got in trouble with the housing people they said I had good leadership potential but I was a trouble maker. I was doing things in bad ways...drinking and partying.

"I'm not doing this (running for University Congress president) for myself, I'm doing this for everybody."

**NEWS BRIEFS**

**Larcenies occur after floor party**

Three larcenies, totalling \$250, were reported to Public Safety by residents of 8 North Hamlin after their open floor party Oct. 25. Residents of two suites reported that someone had entered the foyer area of their rooms, gone into the closets and stolen various clothing items, according to Chief Richard Leonard.

The main door to both suites had apparently been unlocked.

**Clothes stolen from laundry room**

Another larceny involving \$135 of clothes was reported by a female resident from East Vandenberg Oct. 27. The resident had left her clothes in the laundry room at approximately 4:00 p.m. When she returned at 8:35 p.m., they were gone. Leonard said the resident reported five pair of pants and socks missing.

**Radar detector taken from car**

A radar detector valued at \$150 was stolen from a car parked in the southwest lot Oct. 27, between 6:45 a.m. and 4:35 p.m. According to Leonard, someone had broken out the driver's window of the car and taken the Cobra detector from the sun visor.

**CREF value remains low**

The value of the College Retirement Equities Fund remained 20 3/4 percent lower than the Sept. 30 value of \$40.0604 as of Nov. 5.

The fund, which is linked with the Teachers Insurance Annuity Association, dropped more than 25 percent when the Dow Jones Industrial Average took its record dive Oct. 12.

**Congress presents two bills for referendum**

University Congress considered two bills which would place stipulations on Student Activity Fee money that certain organizations receive.

Bill 617, introduced by Michaela Ludwick and Joe Schlichting at the Nov. 2 meeting, asked that the SAF structure be amended in the form of student referendum. The addition would stipulate that organizations must provide "traditional services" during all semesters they receive money, including spring and summer. If an organization did not provide services during a certain time period, money would be redistributed to other SAF organizations

Bill 618, which was also proposed for student referendum, would require organizations that receive SAF monies to publicly disclose how their money is spent, along with "other related finances," under threat of suspension of the money.

Presently, the only SAF recipient who does not disclose their budget is *The Oakland Post*. The *Post*, which is incorporated, receives 55 cents out of the \$9.75 charged to full time undergraduate students each semester.

Both bills were tabled.

Police report information compiled by Jennifer Byrne.

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## Kelly Martek best candidate for president

Last year's University Congress elections consisted of five well-qualified candidates aggressively competing for the prized presidential title.

This year elections, to be held Nov. 9, 10 and 11, are somewhat different. Three people are running, one of whom has absolutely no Congress experience, and another who is just beginning his second year at Oakland. After holding interviews with Kelly Martek, Rob Meister and Joe Schlichting (the three candidates) the *Post* endorses Martek because of her experience, enthusiasm and knowledge of the issues.

Meister lacks the background, familiarity with the issues or dedication the job of University Congress president would require. Meister has never served a single term as a Congress member. He does not know how Congress is composed, how it functions or what the issues are in this race.

Also, Meister works full-time the first week of every month collecting coins from laundry machines in apartment complexes. Meister said he does not plan on quitting this job if he is elected. The position Meister is running for is one that would require extreme dedication and all of a person's time. It would be impossible to do an adequate job as president when holding a second job, learning a new full-time job and attending class.

Schlichting, a freshman two-year student, is a different case. While this is his second year on Congress, and he does know about some issues, he can not compare with Martek, who served as a Congress executive staff member for one year, and who has been involved with more organizations than he.

Schlichting announced his candidacy three school days before the race. While it's easy to get bogged down with exams, homework and other responsibilities, the *Post* feels that Schlichting should have sent his announcement in earlier if he was serious about running.

Though Schlichting supports several merited issues, like the idea of a copier machine in Congress, the *Post* disagrees with Schlichting on other issues. While it would be nice for students to receive more money for their work, raising the standard minimum wage is not the answer. Fewer students would be able to get on campus jobs if the wage was increased since many departments have a fixed budget to spend on student labor. Martek's notion of wage increments makes more fiscal sense since it would not necessarily mean fewer jobs but would give students the opportunity to earn higher wages.

The *Post* also feels Schlichting's support of a professor ratings publication is a campaign promise spoken too hastily without proper consideration to the project's depth and magnitude. Finding an accurate way to evaluate all professors, keeping the evaluations updated from semester to semester and finding the workers to compose and circulate surveys, calculate the results, write, typeset and print the publication would be a major effort demanding more time than Congress, with a limited staff who has other responsibilities, could reasonably be expected to handle.

Because of Martek's experience, knowledge of the issues and dedication, the *Post* believes she should be elected as University Congress' next president.

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## Banks clean up on credit cards rates

By STEPHEN BROBECK

Most banks are charging prices far above actual costs on their credit cards. Consequently, cardholders are paying record charges while banking institutions earn record profits.

Banks levy three types of credit card charges. They charge retailers fees ranging from 1 to 5 percent of credit purchases. These fees total several billion dollars annually. Most are passed on to shoppers through higher prices.

Credit card issuers charge interest on unpaid balances. Recently these interest charges have risen dramatically. From 1982 to 1985, they more than doubled.

There are several reasons for this increase. Most important, the use of credit cards has escalated. Between mid-1982 and mid-1985, revolving credit at banks rose from \$32 billion to \$66 billion.

In the same period, while virtually all other interest rates dropped considerably, credit cards rates remained unchanged. In fact, in May 1985 these rates were higher than in 1981, when most other loan rates peaked.

At the same time banking institutions have hiked charges, they have seen their costs decline significantly. There are three types of credit card-related expenses.

The first is administering accounts. An American Bankers Association publication reports that these administrative expenses are

lower for a credit card purchase than for a small installment loan. Moreover, they should be decreasing as new equipment raises productivity and as the growth of credit purchases permits economies of scale. At any well-managed institutions, they should not exceed 2 to 3 percent of outstanding balances.

The second cost is bad debt losses. These can be reduced to practically nothing by restricting the issue of cards to good credit risks. Any bank with bad debt losses exceeding 1 percent is either marketing these cards indiscriminately or has consciously chosen to accept rising debt losses for increased business. In either case, the average cardholder should not be forced to pay these losses.

The third bank expense is the cost of borrowing funds, much of which is lent by the Federal Reserve and by consumer depositors. Today the rate charged by the Fed is around 7.5 percent while that paid consumers on liquid deposits ranges from zero on regular checking to about 7.5 percent on money market deposit accounts.

In the past several years, both rates have declined. From 1981 to

August 1985, the Fed's discount rate fell from a high of 14.0 percent to 7.5 percent. Although a rising proportion of consumer deposits have earned interest, most of these rates have declined recently.

In brief, credit card charges have risen while related expenses have plummeted. The result has been record profits for banking institutions issuing these cards.

Banks freely admit that their credit card accounts are lucrative. As one commented recently to *Time* magazine, bankers "are growing fat on interest income, and until competition pressures for a cut, they are not going to give up the golden egg."

But bankers also attempt to justify high rates by arguing that credit cards were not profitable several years ago. This defense is unsupportable. Well-managed institutions have always made money on credit cards accounts. Even in early 1981, average bank cards rates exceeded 17 percent. And the cost of borrowed funds from consumer depositors was under 7 percent. The few institutions that could not earn acceptable profits cancelled old cards and stopped issuing new ones.

There are still some consumers who are not aware they are paying high rates. But because of recent news coverage of the issue, these represent a shrinking number. What about all those who know banking institutions are assessing substantial charges?

Many of these cardholders do not believe they have a choice. They correctly perceive that major banks in an area rarely charge rates differing by more than two percentage points. They recognize that shifting cards involves considerable time and expense. And many believe, often incorrectly, that they were fortunate to be issued cards in the first place.

For these and related reasons, Congress has begun considering legislation to limit credit card rates and require fuller disclosure of all charges. But consumers should not wait for legislative relief, which may never come. Instead, they should try to avoid interest charges by paying balances in full. If they are unable to do so, they should shop for a card with a lower rate. Both actions will force banks to lower credit card charges.

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## Letters to the Editor

**Students, staff dedicated, excited, far from apathetic**

Dear Editor,

Nick Chiappetta's column of Nov. 2 lambasting Oakland's "apathetic" students, staff, and faculty members, while dedicated and enthusiastic folks are labeled exceptions, seems to me to be based on misattributions. I would like to offer a few competing hypothesis for the behavior he cites in evidence of his diagnosis:

(1) The students I see are not apathetic. They are aware of and concerned about the campus, governmental, and cultural issues that touch their lives. What they are

above all is BUSY. It is common for students to be carrying full course loads, commuting several miles, working (full-time or part-time), involved in one or more campus activities, and committed to their family or relationship responsibilities, all at once. I would label the behavior of the 200 students who left the board of trustees meetings after they supported their spokesperson EFFICIENT rather than apathetic. Anyone who juggles many responsibilities learns to budget time according to priorities.

(2) Most people I've met here are routinely courteous and helpful. There are many star staff people on this campus. For example, the stars I've interacted with most often are Gerard Joswiak and all his student helpers in the computer center, Linda Hildebrand and other reference

librarians, our SBA academic advising staff — Katie Kazarion, Carole Terry, and Carol Cobble — all go out of their way to share their expertise with others. What they might not do, though, is offer help to someone who doesn't ask for it. It seems reasonable for busy people to assume that someone who needs help will ask.

Teachers have different styles of conveying their interest in students and in subjects. Not all of us are extroverts or are comfortable articulating our concern for students or our passionate feeling for our work. I wasn't there, to hear the professor who said that class attendance was not "requested or required," but that might conceivably be said as a challenge: "Show me that you care about this class, damn it!" It is not, perhaps, a courteous

or comfortable style, but it is not necessarily a sign of contempt.

Of course, everyone can do better, but I feel proud of our students, staff, and faculty a good deal of the time. I'd like to see more praise for the positive things that happen here routinely. Personally, nothing makes me feel more apathetic than constant criticism.

Yours truly,  
Mary Van Sell  
Associate Professor of Management

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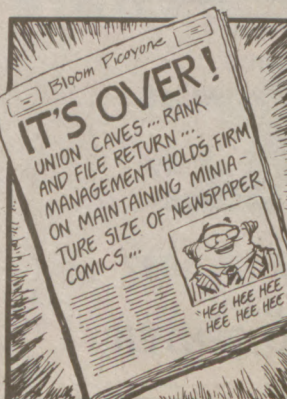
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### BLOOM COUNTY







Courtesy of Varner Studio Theatre

Cori Carrier, Rick Carver and Micheal J. Hoffman star in *The Marriage of Bette and Boo*.

## Varner production pulls together opposing ideas

By DOC ROSS  
Staff Writer

*The Marriage of Bette and Boo* is a play of extremes. It is irreverent, honest, offensive and funny.

The characters are exaggerated in speech and dress. The audience is accosted with guilt, guile, innocence and shame. Everybody seems deranged except Matt (Micheal J. Hoffman), the only surviving child of Bette and Boo Hudlocke (Cori Carrier and Rick Carver).

Matt is surrounded by insanity. It's tempting to think he's the only sane person on stage. He's the only one who is dressed normally. He speaks in a measured, reasoned voice and seems to make sense.

Eventually the audience finds Matt is not playing with a full deck either.

He has inherited the gift of gab from his mother, and his analytical ramblings flow out in a pleasant, English major drone.

But he plugs his relatives into school essays about the novels of Thomas Hardy in a desperate attempt to understand the bizarre lives around him. He reduces his family to characters and cannot relate to them any better than they relate to each other.

The irony is that is exactly what they are—characters.

His mother is an incredibly obnoxious character. Carrier does an excellent job portraying her. Her frame of reference is A.E. Milne. She's proud of having been one of the two stupidest girls in school.

She talks too much and too loudly, in a sickeningly sweet voice, hiding in a world of Pooh Bear, babies, Jackie Cooper movies and the Catholic Church.

She goes out of her way to make everyone around her feel guilty, manipulating and nagging her husband, her priest, the rest of her family and the audience.

Bette too has inherited the gift of gab from her mother. When Margaret Brennan (Lisa Ugucioni) is on stage, she never stops talking. When she and Bette are together, watch out!

Paul Brennan (Markest Tate), however, has very little to say. In fact, he can't speak intelligibly and spends most of the play dead.

Starting to get the idea? Author Christopher Durang pulls the audience into two directions at once. There are some great jokes, some brilliantly funny moments; then some are disgusting. More jokes, then weepy, saccharine melodrama and yet more jokes.

This is not a black comedy—it's not a comedy at all. It's a problem. We're presented with this strange world of extremes.

Poor ol' Matt—Mommy calls him Skipper—tries to make sense of it both for himself and us, but the problem is unsolvable.

"Marriage is no bed of roses," says Margaret to Bette, but it is here: soft velvety petals, sharp piercing thorns and that smell. It's sweet and pleasant in small doses, sickening in quantity.

Director Micheal Gillespie pulls these opposing elements together. Each character is a study in singular grotesqueness. With them he creates a disturbing puzzling picture, and it's hard to decide whether to love it or hate it.

Gillespie gets good performances out of all his actors. Lisa Jesswein as Emily Brennan is exceptional. Emily is in many ways Bette's opposite. Rather than dishing out not-too-carefully couched accusations, she takes the guilt of all into her heart and martyr herself. She has backlog of eloquent letters of apology waiting to be sent, and she sends them constantly.

*The Marriage of Bette and Boo* runs through Nov. 22 at Varner Studio Theatre. For ticket information phone 370-3013.

## Leading roles in two new films boost career of upcoming actor

By FLORI ROSENBERG  
Features Editor

With leading roles in two new releases, Jon Cryer's acting career is looking up.

Cryer, who gained recognition as Ducky in *Pretty in Pink*, is now starring in *Hiding Out*, released last Friday. His other new film, *Dudes*, is still waiting to hit the theaters.

Cryer described some of his earlier film projects, like Lex Luther's evil nephew in *Superman IV*, as unlucky projects.

He noted that when a film is promoted, the actor's name is given prominence, not the people who are ultimately responsible for the finished product—the ones who edit the film. "In the end, it is usually out of the actors' hands," he said.

Cryer said he likes *Hiding Out*, and is excited about the publicity push the movie has received. "My name doesn't sell things yet."

In *Hiding Out*, Cryer plays a 27-year-old stock broker named Andrew Morenski. His character becomes a witness in the federal investigation of a mob bonds scandal. Morenski becomes uneasy when he realizes a hit man and the FBI are looking for him.

Eventually, Morenski takes desperate measures. He ends up in the home of his aunt (Gretchen Cryer), and transforms into high school senior Maxwell Hauser.

*Hiding Out* is unique because of the duo roles por-

trayed by Cryer: an overachiever with a Maserati and tax shelters to a senior dating a 17-year-old and running for class president. Cryer never totally settles into one role.

"I looked at this as a challenge," said Cryer of the part. "Doing the younger stuff was easier... mentally I'm still 12," he added jokingly.

Cryer did some research for his roles. "I had never been near a broker's office, but I had a friend who worked on Wall Street. I went down and hung out for a few days, mainly watching how they worked on the phone—their key tool. I also wanted to get a sense of their lives, the ways in which they might feel limited by the job."

For his role as a 17-year-old, Cryer went to a few high schools in his New York neighborhood to observe. He explained that he was a student in an urban high school, a far cry from the small-town Delaware school Maxwell Hauser attends in the movie. Also, he checked to see how attitudes have changed since he was a student.

Cryer is the son of writer/actress Gretchen Cryer, who portrays his aunt in *Hiding Out*, and actor David Cryer. "My parents were not real happy when I decided to take this up," Cryer said.

Despite his parents' feelings, which he said he understands, Cryer hasn't thought of doing anything else besides acting. To deal with the rejection involved, "you have to be sure that you love it," he said.



Jon Cryer is hopeful about his new films.



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"It's horrifying; everyone will have an opinion on it (your work)."

Having his mother in the cast was fun for Cryer. She had never performed on a movie set before. "I could really mess with her mind," Cryer said, smiling.

He has become comfortable on a movie set with several films behind him now.

Other projects include the leading role in director Jerry Schatzberg's *No Small Affair*. His movie debut was a small part in Robert Altman's *O.C. Stiggs*.

*Dudes*, he said, is a "wonderful and strange" movie. It will be released later this fall.

On Broadway, the actor made his professional debut in *Brighton Beach Memoirs* as Matthew Broderick's understudy. He later performed in the Tony-award

winning play *Torch Song Trilogy*.

Unlike many actors, Cryer said, he prefers movies to acting on stage. "I have terrible stage fright...I'm much happier in films."

A television series is out for Cryer, too. "I'd be miserable; I don't want to be the same thing every week."

He said Ducky is his favorite role so far, the one closest to himself. "We have the same obnoxious nervousness...I wish I had his courage."

His goal is sensible, he said: "Money, lots of it, in large piles." More seriously, Cryer added, he'd like more control in choosing movie projects. "I'd love to be in a position where at least I can get an audition."

## Knowledge of risk factors promotes 'Safe Sex'

"Safe Sex" has come to mean the practice of sexual activities that do not promote the spread of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) by means of body fluids—semen (sperm), vaginal secretions, blood, saliva and urine/feces.

It might seem as if all sexual practices would be unsafe, but this is not true. "Safe Sex" means knowing and avoiding high-risk factors and taking appropriate precautions.

The anxiety and confusion surrounding Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) has been the catalyst spurring information seeking and dissemination. However, other less deadly STDs are much more frequently seen, and they too can be minimized by safe sex practices.

### What are the risk factors?

Diseases transmitted entirely or predominantly by sexual contact encompass more than 20 identifiable disease entities. In general, risk factors include or are increased by:

- multiple sexual partners (more than 3)
- partner(s) with multiple sexual partners
- partners(s) with STD(s)
- anal/oral sex
- homosexual/bisexual practices
- intravenous drug abuse
- hemophiliacs/recipients of blood transfusions
- sexual partners of high-risk



Dr. Pat Rodgers

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Susan Hayden

persons children born to high-risk persons

The goal of safe sex is prevention. Should infection occur, only two STDs have no known cure: AIDS and herpes. Most other STDs respond to antibiotics.

Remember, diagnosis and treatment depend on observation of clinical symptoms by your doctor and laboratory tests to confirm the presence and identity of the organism.

Protection starts with the acceptance of personal responsibility for sexual expression.

Sexual abstinence is the most effective method of protection, but this alternative is unacceptable to many people.

Monogamous relationships are relatively safe, especially long-term, committed relationships.

Limiting the number of sexual partners and knowing them well is essential. Do not be afraid to ask a potential partner direct questions about his or her sexual past, and don't be offended at being questioned yourself. Remember that reassuring answers alone do not provide a sanction for unprotected sex.

The condom is one of the best defenses against all STDs. A barrier method of contraception, the condom prevents the direct passage of semen (and any STD-related penile discharge) from the male to his partner.

Simultaneous use of a spermicide foam or jelly containing nonoxynol-9 will enhance contraceptive value and decrease risk of STD transmission. This ingredient has demonstrated effectiveness in inactivating both the herpes and chlamydia viruses, gonorrhea, and appears to have some effectiveness

against the AIDS virus as well.

Used alone, condoms are 60-70 percent effective for contraceptive purposes, but are 90 percent effective against STD transmission.

In order to provide the protection they were designed for, barrier contraceptives should be employed prior to any genital contact. Putting a condom on can be incorporated into foreplay and gives the woman an opportunity to observe her partner's genital's for obvious sores or a discharge.

Though unlikely to prevent infection, you can take a few additional measures to impede the spread of STDs. Washing your hands and genitals with soap and water before and after sexual relations may be helpful. Drinking a large glass of water before, and urinating just after intercourse will help to flush many organisms from the urethra (passageway leading from the bladder to the outside of the body).

Finally, if you have been diagnosed and are being treated for an STD, make certain your partner is treated at the same time. Use condoms until treatment of both partners is complete.

A follow-up examination is highly recommended for some STDs and is mandatory in the event that any signs or symptoms persist after therapy.

## Student group provides alternative film selections

By NICK CHIAPPETTA  
Staff Writer

The outside door of their office on the first floor of the Oakland Center already suggests that Cinematheque is not the average student organization.

Their logo reads in a kind of avant-garde movie style. A "Now Showing" sign on the door advertises the movie of the week. A flyer with a rather somber looking man on it advertises the Ingmar Bergman classic *Seventh Seal*.

The inside of the small office is like that of any other student organization: a second hand couch, a desk, and a filing cabinet make the cramped space even tighter. Boxes of assorted objects line the floor.

These are quickly overshadowed by the walls. Above the couch are assorted black and white photographs from classic movies: Humphrey Bogart, Clark Gable, "The Duke," Dustin Hoffman, Robert Redford and others. Above is a poster of a pair of very female, sensuous looking eyes staring down at all who enter.

The perpendicular wall also has a poster. This one is of Marilyn Monroe in her famous pose: unsuccessfully trying to hold her dress down over a heating vent.

Next to that are assorted color pictures of various foreign films and cult classics; *Liquid Sky*, *A Clockwork*

*Orange*, and *Eraserhead* among others.

The goal of Cinematheque is reflected in its office.

"Our goal isn't to make a profit. Our goal is to provide an alternative and cultural experience to Oakland University," said Jennifer Rogers, president of Cinematheque.

The group was formed in 1982 by film students "who wanted to see unknown films that they were interested in" said Rogers.

The organization now has 15 members from a variety of majors. They are very informal, according to Rogers, often holding meetings at the Paint Creek Tavern in Rochester after showing a movie.

Rogers said the group likes to be creative, not only in the movies they show, but also in the flyers they post and the music they play before the movie.

"We like to show films that aren't readily available," Rogers said.

She placed the types of movies they show in three categories: cult, classic, and foreign.

On the suggestion of their advisor, Associate Professor of English Brian Murphy, they are trying a film series centered around great directors this year. The series concentrates on four well-known names: Woody Allen, Ingmar Bergman, Alfred Hitchcock, and Stanley Kubrick.

The group follows Kubrick from





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Magician Charles Greene III has student assistant, Jeff Richards, send a telepathic message to an audience member with an egg beater. Greene was the emcee for the show.

# OU Star Search features student talent, professional magician

By CLAUDETTE ZOLKOWSKI  
Staff Writer

The OU Star Search brought a variety of talent to the Crockery last Thursday night.

The acts in the Student Program Board sponsored show included band performances, dance routines, vocalists and a juggler.

Participants competed for cash prizes: \$100 for first place, \$75 for second and \$25 for third.

Amy Staup's powerful vocal performance took first place. The song, "a little blues number" she wrote, was called *Baby Come Back*.

"I am so shocked, I never thought (I'd win)," said the freshman excitedly.

Second place went to voocalist Joceylyn Goins for her a cappella rendition of *His Eye is on the Sparrow*.

Goins was surprised because she

did not think she would win. She also was unaware that cash prizes were being awarded to the winners.

Joseph Schlichting won the \$25 third prize for his juggling/comedy routine.

"It's a nice feeling (to win)," Schlichting said. "I could use the money," he added.

The band, Beans for Breakfast, opened the show with several variations of *La Bamba*. Including country, rap, reggae, and hard rock versions.

Technical difficulties interrupted Lidia DiCicco's jazz dance routine, which required her to perform twice.

Performers were judged on professionalism, appearance, talent and audience appeal.

The judges included Nicole Bolden, publicity chair for the Association of Black Students, Sean

Higgins, executive assistant of University Congress, Ron Kevern, assistant vice-president of student affairs and Peggy O'Toole, head resident of Vandenberg Hall.

Master of ceremonies, magician Charles W. Greene III alternated between performing magic acts, insulting the intelligence of freshman students, and discussing the hairlines (or lack thereof) of the judges.

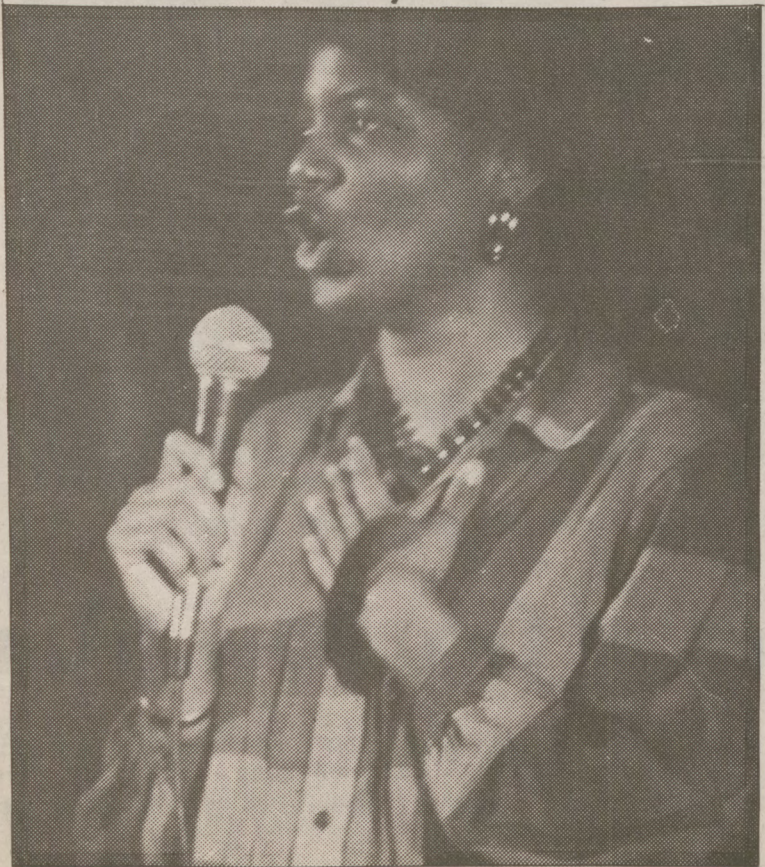
In one card trick, Greene warned his volunteer from the audience, "Remember that card as though your life depends on it...because it does."

For his rope cutting trick, he said all that is needed is "just a normal piece of rope you'll find in any Rochester bedroom."

The event filled the Crockery to near capacity before intermission. As the show progressed, however, the attendance diminished.



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Amy Staup wrote the blues number she won with.



The Oakland Post/ Art Stephenson  
Vocalist Joceylyn Goins won second prize with a spiritual song.

## What's Happening

**Friday The 13th Dance:** The Student Programming Board event will be held from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday in the Crockery.

**Afram Jazz Ensemble:** Fans of the big band sound from the '40s to the '70s can catch the performance directed by "Doc" Holladay at 8 tonight in Varner Recital Hall.

Tickets are \$3 general admission and \$2 for seniors and students.

**Vocal Jazz Ensemble:** The show will include Manhattan Transfer, standard blues and jazz ballads.

The group will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday in Varner Recital Hall.

**Lafayette String Quartet:** Flavio Varani will be featured in this performance at 3 p.m. Sunday in Varner Recital Hall.

**Warren Symphony:** The recital is part of the Concerts-for-Youth series, and will be at 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. today in Varner Recital Hall.

Admission is \$4.

**AIDS: Prevention Through Education:** Gary Cubberly of Channel 2's *Sunday Times* will be guest moderator for this program.

The seminar will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in Rochester High School Auditorium and will be open to the public.

For more information, call Dave Strubler at 370-3480.

**Margot Adler:** Author of *Drawing Down the Moon*, she will be speaking on neo-paganism and magic in America today, as well as feminist spirituality.

The lecture will be held at 8 p.m. Friday at the Ferndale Community Center.

Call 892-5467 for more information.

**Woman in the Dunes:** Described as a "psychosexual study," this 1964 Japanese film involves a scientist who finds himself the captive of a mysterious woman who lives at the bottom of a sandpit.

The movie will show at 9:30 p.m. Saturday at the Detroit Film Theatre.

## Movies

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one of his earliest films, *Killer's Kiss*, to what some feel is his greatest achievement 2001: *A Space Odyssey*.

By her own admission, Rogers said the group tries not to show the "top 40" films and offers productions with "deeper themes".

Cinematheque gets these films by renting them from companies and through Oakland's film library.

Despite the diversity, Rogers said about 50 people attend regularly.

"They (may) have this misconception that we're really bizarre," Rogers said. She said another reason for the low turnout could be that students really

haven't heard about the group.

Nabil Amad, 21, a senior in computer engineering, saw two movies through Cinematheque this year. He said that there is "no great intelligence needed" to watch some modern movies.

"Most movies are in one pattern," Amad said, talking about the "Rambo" movies.

Rogers was quick to point out that the group is not trying to ostracize those who like popular films.

"When you only get 50 people turning out to see an incredible work of art there is something wrong,"

Rogers said.

Their advisor, Murphy, expressed different worries.

"My concern is that they (students) would have no conception...or perception at all(of the group's films)."

Murphy also said he feels if there are misconceptions, they may be that Cinematheque is the sort of organization that shows "foreign films with subtitles you can't read."

They provide the means by which a student can see films they wouldn't ordinarily see," Murphy said.

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# Athletic trainer quits, blames athletic director

By RALPH ECHTINAW  
Sports Editor

Athletic Trainer Sandy Jordan resigned suddenly Oct. 30 claiming that Department Director Paul Hartman second guessed her on an athlete's ankle injury.

Last month Jordan wanted Kelly Williams, a volleyball player, to sit out 48 hours when she came up with an ankle injury. She did, missing the team's Oct. 15 match against Saginaw Valley State College.

But according to Jordan, volleyball Coach Bob Hurdle went to Hartman complaining about Williams' unavailability. "The coach went nuts and called Paul Hartman at home," she said. Jordan's student athletic trainers said Hurdle

came to them as well, angry about Jordan's decision.

Hartman said Hurdle did come to him, but not angry. "He was concerned," Hartman said. Jordan said Hartman contacted her, inquiring about the decision.

"I had to give Paul Hartman a 20-minute dissertation on what this is all about, which is absurd," she said. Hartman said, "We discussed the case at some length." Jordan added that Hartman was questioning her medical opinion, which she objected to.

Hartman did not override Jordan's decision to keep Williams out and she sat on the bench. But last week, according to Jordan, he said, "Just between you and me, I didn't support your decision about keeping that girl out." Hartman said he

never made the statement.

That was the last straw, according to Jordan, and she put a one-sentence resignation letter in Hartman's mailbox that evening.

Jordan's six student trainers are angry with Hartman for Jordan's resignation. They met with him Nov. 2 for an hour and 40 minutes and urged him to call Jordan and discuss the matter. Trainers Maureen Abel, Sue Brooks and Steve Luczak said they were confident when the meeting ended that he would.

But he didn't. Jordan said she stayed home all day Tuesday waiting for his call, but it never came. According to the student trainers, Hartman said he did not tell Jordan that he didn't support her decision. "I can't believe he lied

to our student trainers," Jordan said.

Hartman said: "People only hear one side of the story and the other side can't be told. It's very difficult and emotional for an administrator, but we can't display that."

The student trainers wrote two letters to University President Joseph Champagne about the matter, one before the meeting with Hartman, and one after.

Last Thursday Hartman met with Champagne. Hartman would not comment on the gist of the discussion except to say it concerned Jordan's resignation. Champagne said that he agreed to let Hartman handle the situation.

Jordan said she feels sorry for the school's athletes. "I left at the worst possible time during the semester," she said, noting that swimming and

basketball are just getting started while soccer and volleyball are still going on. She had been Oakland's trainer for the last four years.

Jordan said that she had to change her phone number to an unlisted one because it wouldn't stop ringing the day after she resigned. She assumed that the calls were from distraught athletes. "I can't explain this a hundred times," she said.

"(It's) a big surprise to all the athletes," said soccer player Erik Enyedy. "It's going to be hard for the administration to find someone like Sandy who cared about the athlete."

Another soccer player, Dave Flay said, "I was shocked, she was like a second mother to me."

Student trainer Maureen Abel said the trainers told Hartman at

the meeting, "The athletes are mad, and they're blaming you."

Basketball center Dave Hintz, out for the season with a bad knee, plans some kind of organized reaction to the resignation. "We're just trying to let the staff of the athletic department know that they screwed up."

According to the student trainers and Jordan, Jordan used her connections to get low prices on supplies and equipment. Neither the trainers or Jordan think that will continue now.

In fact, Jordan said she received a Constant Passive Motion machine worth \$5,000 not long ago as a gift from Sutter Biomedical.

Nov. 2, three days after her resignation, the company took back the machine.



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Sel Eren "heads" the ball in the Pioneers' 3-1 win Nov. 4 over the Central Michigan University Chip-

pewas at Oakland. Earl Parris (left) and Paul Phillips (right) look on.

## Soccer team wins four, playoffs could be next

By DAVID HOGG  
Sports Writer

The men's soccer team players painted themselves back into the national playoff picture with a 3-0 record last week.

The Pioneers opened the week with a sweep of the Central Region Tournament Oct. 31 and Nov. 1.

In the opening game, Oakland defeated the Lewis University Flyers 3-1 with two goals from Sel Eren.

The Pioneers scored first when Earl Parris converted a pass from Al Stewart into a goal. Lewis quickly tied the score however, when Pioneer Erik Enyedy tried to clear the ball from in front of the OU goal, and booted it into the Pioneer net by mistake.

Just before halftime, Eren scored his first goal, with assists from Parris and Brian Fitzgerald.

The score stayed 2-1 into the second half, when Eren took a pass from Al Stewart, broke in alone on the Lewis goal, and fired the ball past the goalie, giving Oakland a 3-1 lead.

While that was the end of the scoring, the drama continued. With 23 minutes left, Flyer John Coyle and Pioneer Matt Paukovits leaped into the air, trying to hit the ball with their heads. Unfortunately, instead of finding the ball, their heads found each other. Paukovits escaped the clash with only a cut behind his ear, but Coyle wasn't so lucky.

He fell to the ground in a state of semi-consciousness. The game was delayed for more than 35 minutes while an ambulance was summoned. Taken to Crittenton Hospital in Rochester, Coyle was held for a few hours and released.

The incident seemed to put a damper on the spirits of both teams, and the last 20 minutes went by sans goals, leaving Oakland with a 3-1 win.

In the second day of the tournament the Pioneers took on the Northern Kentucky University Norsemen. This time, it was Parris with two goals, leading the Pioneers past the Norsemen 3-0.

Parris scored one goal near the end of each half. His first, with an assist from Enyedy, gave Oakland a 1-0 lead just before halftime. His second score, with assists from Simon Mayo and Tom Duff, finished off the scoring. Al Stewart scored an unassisted goal between Parris' twin scores.

Goalie Nino DiCosmo picked up another easy shutout, making just one save during the game.

For his three goals and one assist See Soccer page 8

## Spikers loose to Ferris, Wayne, playoff hopes all but gone

By TIM DYKE  
Sports Writer

In early 1950's Brooklyn, despondent Dodger fans would rally around the cry "Wait until next year," after their team was defeated by the cross-town-rival New York Yankees in the World Series almost every year.

This year the Oakland volleyball fans can start singing the same tune to the Pioneers' Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

showing.

Starting with high early season hopes of finishing among the conference elite, the Pioneers have plummeted to the second division. With a 4-6 conference record and several key losses at home, the spikers continued to play poorly on recent trips to Wayne State University and Ferris State College.

The Pioneers were hoping to turn their GLIAC misfortunes around last weekend on a two-match northern road trip against Northern

Michigan and Michigan Technological universities.

On an earlier trip to the Upper Peninsula the team looked good against Lake Superior State College, winning 15-1, 15-6, 15-6.

Unfortunately for the Pioneers, they haven't had the same brand of fortune south of the Mackinac bridge.

Nov. 3 against Wayne, the Pioneers went to four games before succumbing to the eighth-ranked Tartars. They played it close in

game one 10-15, got lost in game two 3-15, won game three 15-11, and bowed out in game four 11-15.

"It's frustrating because the conference is so close and so good," said outside hitter Jenifer Henry. "Right now we're just looking to finish strong and win the rest of our conference matches."

In the Wayne match Anne Harrison chalked up a 70-percent serving average, maintaining her league lead in that department with a 1.03

average and 35 aces.

Tracey Jones, who entered the contest with 37 kills, added nine more against the Tartars. She ranks second in the conference in that category.

Despite some mid-season ankle problems, setter Kelly Williams continues to maintain a third-place standing with 260 assists for an 8.67 average.

On Halloween weekend the

spikers had to forgo trick or treating and concentrate on the Ferris State tournament.

It was a success in terms of overall play as the Pioneers finished 2-2 in a tournament that featured three nationally ranked teams. In terms of conference play, the loss to Ferris sealed the fate of any possible second-place finish or a post season national tournament bid for the Pioneers.

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## Women's swim team 3rd at Bowling Green relays

By CRYSTAL JORDAN  
Sports Writer

The women's swim team opened its season with a third-place finish at the Tom Stubbs / Bowling Green University Relays Oct. 30 and 31 in Ohio.

The Bowling Green team won the meet, taking first in 11 of the 14 events. Ball State University took second, placing first in two events. Eastern Michigan University finished fourth and Kent State University last.

Oakland finished first in one event, second in four events, third in five events and fourth in four events. There were no last-place finishes for the Pioneers.

First-year Pioneer Coach Tracy Huth (pronounced Hooth) expressed satisfaction with the results. Last year at the same event the Pioneers finished last among nine teams.

Freshman Dana Kennedy qualified for the national meet, in 50-yard freestyle, to be held next year after the season. Her time in the event was 24.50.

The Pioneers had nine tankers swimming in four events each, four tankers in three events each, one swimmer in two events, and two swimmers in one event each. Eight team members did not swim in any event.

Oakland swimmers' results in the

events are as follows:

**200-yard medley relay:** second place, Kristi Spicer, Jane Kieft, Shelley Steyaert and Shelly Pilarski, 1:55.50.

**200-yard freestyle relay:** first place, Dana Kennedy Karen Kotlarczyk, Sue Novitsky and Lisa Guilfoyle, 1:39.52.

**1500-yard freestyle relay:** fourth place, Nancy Schermer, Deanna Fridley and Lisa Vincent, 16:20.42.

**400-yard individual medley relay:** third place, Ginnie Johnson, Kotlarczyk, Kennedy and Novitsky, 4:44.30.

**200-yard butterfly relay:** fourth place, Steyaert, Fridley, Karen Helwig and Pilarski, 1:57.81.

**200-yard backstroke relay:** fourth place, Debbi Cheney, Gabrielle Soupal, Rachel Shaar and Vincent, 2:14.50.

**200-yard breaststroke relay:** third place, Kieft, Helwig, Guilfoyle and Johnson, 2:16.31.

**800-yard freestyle relay:** third place, Kotlarczyk, Novitsky, Spicer and Schermer, 8:11.35.

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Mark VanderMey qualified nationally in three events Oct. 30 and 31 in the Bowling Green Relays.

## Pioneer tankers take 1st, break several records

By SUSAN STOKES  
Sports Writer

The Pioneer men's swim team got a treat instead of a trick Oct. 31, taking first place with 254 points at the ninth annual Tom Stubbs / Bowling Green State University Relays.

The team placed first in 10 of the 14 events, second in three events and third in one event.

Mark VanderMey swam national-

ly qualifying times in the 200-yard freestyle, the 100-yard freestyle and the 100-yard breaststroke. To qualify nationally is to turn in a time qualifying one for the individual national meet to be held next year.

Freshman Hilton Woods of Willemstad, Curacao, qualified nationally in the 200-yard freestyle relay, swimming the 50-yard part of it in 21.24.

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## Burley goes to town, D rating may be next

By KATIE CALLAHAN  
Sports Writer

E-rated Joe Burley finished sixth out of 16 in epee at the Michigan Invitational at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti Oct. 31 and Nov. 1.

The United States Fencing Association rates American fencers from A to E according to skill level, A being the best. Three different weapons are used in the sport; foil, epee and sabre.

Burley was 4-0 in the first round, beating two A-rated, one D-rated and one unclassified fencer. In the semifinals he was 3-2 with victories against A, B and D-rated fencers. He was 1-4 in the final round.

"It was my best performance in three years of fencing," Burley said. "I've previously beat an A (-rated fencer) three times in seven previous attempts. I think I surprised a lot of people."

Burley hopes to earn his D rating at the C-and-under tournament at the University of Detroit Nov. 22.

The Fencing Society of Oakland University's Assistant Coach Tom Decker, fencing epee, didn't do as well as he expected to, only making it to the second round. His record was 3-5. "There was very

stiff competition in my second-round pool," said C-rated Decker. "The first and second-place finishers were A rated. There was a B-rated fencer who didn't (even) make it into the final round."

Decker is looking forward to the C-and-under tournament at U of D: "I'd like to improve on my performance of last time, which was abysmal. I'm planning to finish in the top three."

E-rated Todd Dressell, fencing Brazilian-style sabre, finished seventh out of 12 and said he was happy with his performance.

The men's foil team, consisting of Dressell, Roberto Irabagon and Mark Rudnicki, placed fifth out of nine teams. Rudnicki, who doesn't attend OU, and Irabagon, of the Ferndale Fencing Club, are both unrated.

The three of them were 7-2 against the University of Michigan's team and 1-6 against the Fencing Academy of Michigan (FAM), with Dressell getting the only victory.

The men's team epee, made up of Decker, Irabagon and Scott Meyers, an ex-Oakland fencer, finished second among three teams. They defeated FAM 6-3, but lost to Wayne State University 1-8. Decker had the only win against the

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# Soccer

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in the tournament, Parris was named tournament MVP.  
Coach Gary Parsons said that, Parris and Al Stewart deserved a lot of praise for their play in the two games. Parsons also complimented his defense, saying they played strong consistently.

The third game of the week was another home affair; this time the victims being the Central Michigan University Chippewas.

Oakland seemed a bit overconfident in the first half and was unable to get its offense going.

They started to cook in the second half, but still not enough to score on CMU goalie Chris DePerno.

With just 24 minutes left in the contest, the Pioneers finally put the ball in the net. Enyedy took a pass from Mayo and fired the ball at the net. The shot was blocked but Enyedy, picking up his own rebound, made the next shot count.

Five minutes later however, Oakland goalie DiCosmo was unable to hang onto a high CMU shot. In the ensuing scramble Chip-

pewa Tom Fisher scored to tie the game at one; but not for long.

A few minutes later Al Stewart took a blistering shot from 20 yards out. Apparently, DePerno was screened and barely moved as the ball rocketed into the corner of his net.

Eren added an insurance goal four minutes later, sealing Oakland's fourth consecutive win and boosting its record to 13-4-1.

However, the Pioneers have lost Enyedy for at least one game as he broke his hand in the second half. He said he knew immediately that

something was broken. "I tried to move my finger, but I could barely move it," he said. Enyedy said the doctor told him that he might be able to play in a cast if the Pioneers make the playoffs.

Parsons seemed more optimistic about the Pioneers' playoff chances than he was a week ago. "I think our chances are at least 50-50, and probably better than that." The announcement of the bid awards is scheduled for Nov. 9. If Oakland receives one, the Pioneers will play next weekend.

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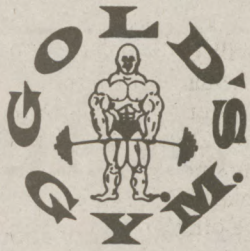
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# University reserves 15-20 parking places for Pistons basketball team

By RALPH ECHTINAW  
Sports Editor

The athletic department began last week to reserve 15 to 20 parking spots at the Lepley Sports Center for the practicing Detroit Pistons.

"You're dealing with people with star status and they expect to be treated differently," said Athletic Department Director Paul Hartman.

Hartman said the Pistons practice no more than three times a week at Lepley. They don't practice on any particular days because of their playing schedule, but come when they can.

When they come, they generally arrive at 10:30 a.m. and stay until 1 p.m. If they have not arrived by 11 a.m. athletic department officials remove the restrictions and open the spaces up for everyone.

Hartman said that the reserved spaces will not be used just by the

Pistons. They will be reserved as well for game officials' vehicles and team vans from other schools when they come to play Oakland teams. He said the department has received many complaints from other schools and game officials about the lack of parking around Lepley.

The Pistons have been using Oakland for some time now as a practice facility. In past years the players parked illegally and public safety officers were instructed not to ticket the cars.

As payment for the reserved spaces, the Pistons pay \$500 per year to the university, according to Hartman.

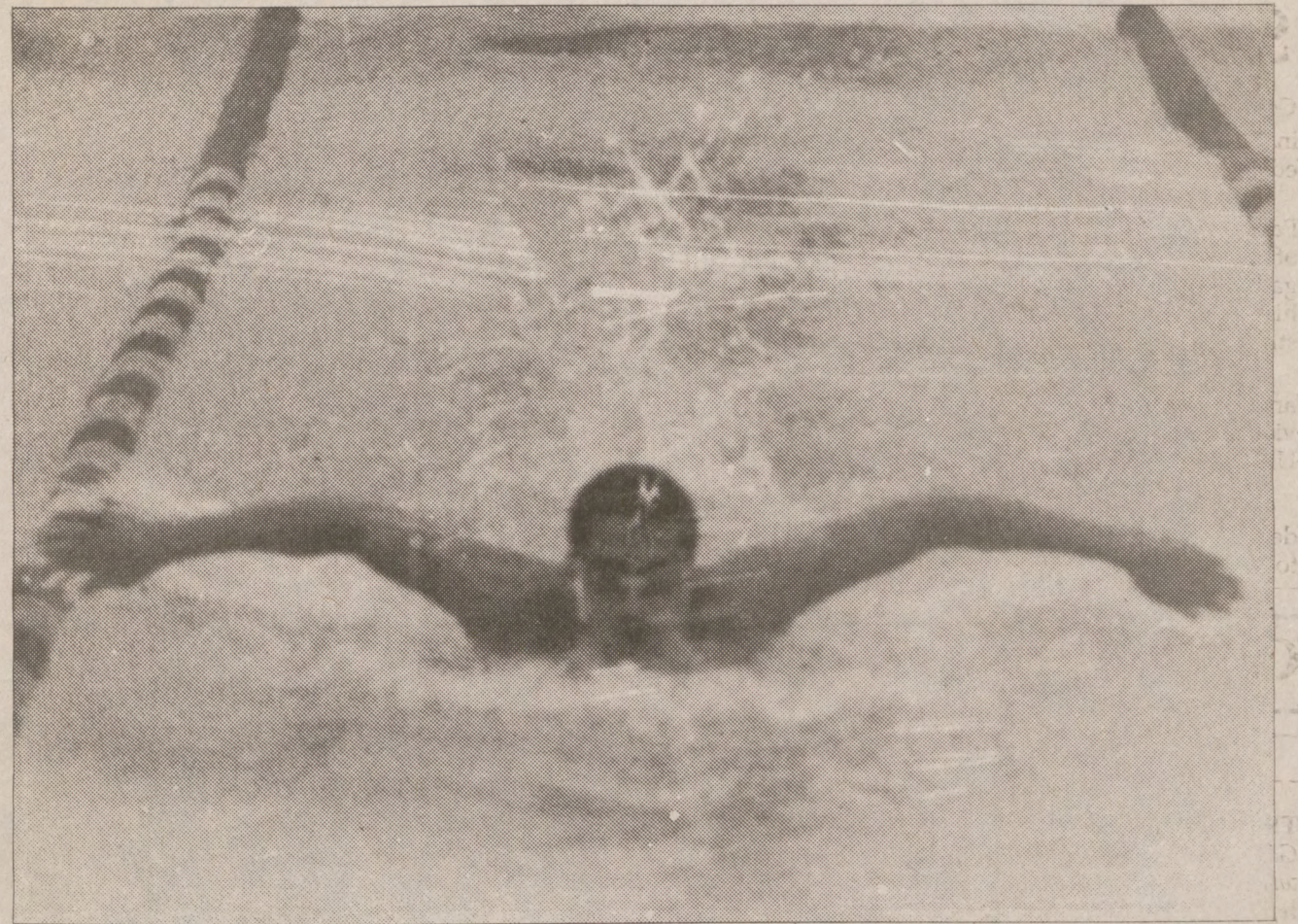
Hartman said the school benefits from having the Pistons practice here. Among the advantages he sees are: 1) Publicity for the school. As the Pistons are covered in the Detroit media, Oakland's name invariably comes up in the stories. 2) The Pistons are a valuable recruiting tool. "High school kids are impressionable," Hartman said.

Pioneer men's basketball Coach Greg Kampe agrees. "You learn a lot of things when you get to guard Isiah Thomas," he said, adding that he frequently introduces prospective recruits to Piston players. He considers it a strong recruiting advantage.

Work was expected to get under way last weekend to alleviate some of the parking problems around Lepley, caused in part by the reserved spaces.

According to Alan Miller, director of campus facilities and operations, 10 to 12 more parking spaces will be added to the lot that serves Lepley, the Central Heating Plant and Fitzgerald and Anibal houses.

Miller said the islands behind Lepley would be removed over the weekend. Also planned are removal of the parking meters, resurfacing of the asphalt surface, and repainting the lines. The project will cost approximately \$40,000 and is expected to be completed by Nov. 14, said Miller.



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200-yard butterfly relay. The Pioneers won the meet and broke seven of its records.

## Volleyball

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The spikers opened the tournament with a four-game loss to fifth-ranked GLIAC leader Ferris 6-15, 15-13, 12-15, 10-15.

They rebounded with a win over North Dakota State 16-18, 15-8, 16-14, 15-2, then tagged ninth-ranked Lewis University 15-10, 15-11, 3-15, 15-11. In the final match, Oakland bowed to 12th-ranked Indiana-Purdue University 15-17, 6-15, 11-15.

Tracey Jones made her third all-tournament team of the season. She also made tournament teams at the Army and Indiana-Purdue tournaments.

With a young squad that has fought early season injuries and sporadic play in key matches, it's still been a successful season for the Pioneers outside the conference.

With a 22-13 record overall including several matches against highly-ranked teams, the Pioneers still have a good chance to finish in the upper division of the GLIAC if they can win their last three matches, all at home.

Pioneer Richard Orr helped Oakland tie a record at the Bowling Green Relays Oct. 30 and 31 for the

## Tankers

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Oakland's relay teams set new records for the Bowling Green relays in seven events and tied the record in one.

In second place was Eastern Michigan University with 226 points. Bowling Green took third with 166 points. Nine teams participated in all.

According to Pioneer Coach Pete Hovland, this marks the first time in nine years that Eastern has not won the Bowling Green event. Last year Oakland finished second, taking first place in five of the 14 events.

Hovland said he "tried to put strong swimmers in each race to keep the team consistent throughout the meet."

Seven Pioneers swam in four events each, four in three events each, five in two events each, and two in one event each. Fourteen members of the 32-member team did not swim at the meet.

Beginning the regular season last Saturday at Grand Valley State College, Hovland said he will not change the intensity of his team's workouts. "My practices will not

differ from the start of the season, when I placed a tremendous amount of emphasis on conditioning."

Hovland said he doesn't place a curfew on his charges to be in bed at a certain hour. He hopes they'll refrain from drinking and smoking during the season but doesn't force them to. "I treat them like adults," he said. "I have talked to them and we have discussed the harm such practices can do to your body."

They probably don't have the time to drink to excess anyway. "The team has a practice schedule that keeps them busy six days a week for at least four to five hours per day," said Hovland.

But they're not in boot camp either. "When they aren't around the pool I want them to be 'normal' students."

The Pioneers' Bowling Green results follow:

**200-yard medley:** first place, Doug Cleland, Mark VanderMey, Mike Nation and Dave Rogowski, 1:35.71; set new record.

**200-yard freestyle relay:** first place, Hilton Woods, Scott Harris, Kovach and Rogowski, 1:25.95.

**1500-yard freestyle relay:** third place, Erik Strom, Jeff Cooper and Mike Tumey, 14:32.08.

**400-yard individual medley relay:** second place, Eric Dresbach, Cleland, Dave Nack and Rich Swoboda, 3:40.54.

## Fencing

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Wayne State, which included two A-rated fencers.

The women's foil team came in fourth. Chris "Spike" Cameron, Ellen Bristol and Anne Oberski comprised Oakland's team. Cameron, who was knocked out in the quarter finals of the individual competition Saturday, came on strong for the team Sunday.

**200-yard butterfly relay:** first place, Mike Nation, Richard Orr, Tumey and Mark McDowell, 1:34.43; tied the record.

**200-yard backstroke relay:** first place, Cleland, Woods, Nack and Swoboda, 1:39.93; set new record.

**200-yard breaststroke relay:** second place, Jim Surowiec, Jeff Kuhn, Rob Carman and Eric Dresbach, 1:50.51.

**800-yard freestyle relay:** VanderMey, Erik Strom, Cooper and Scott Harris, 6:59.28; set new record.

**300-yard butterfly relay:** first place, Nation, Dresbach and Orr, 2:35.93.

**300-yard backstroke relay:** first place, Swoboda, Cleland and Woods, 2:40.31; set new record.

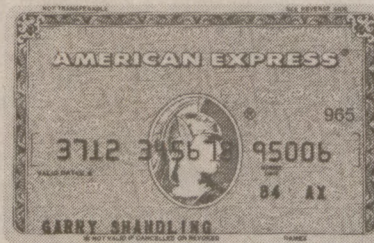
**300-yard breaststroke relay:** first place, VanderMey, Surowiec and Kuhn, 2:57.78; set new record.

**500-yard freestyle relay:** second place, Rogowski, Strom, Harris and Cooper, 4:13.84.

**400-yard medley relay:** first place, Swoboda, Surowiec, Nation and Woods, 3:32.57; set new record.

**400-yard freestyle relay:** first place, VanderMey, Rogowski, Strom and Kovach, 3:10.63; set new record.

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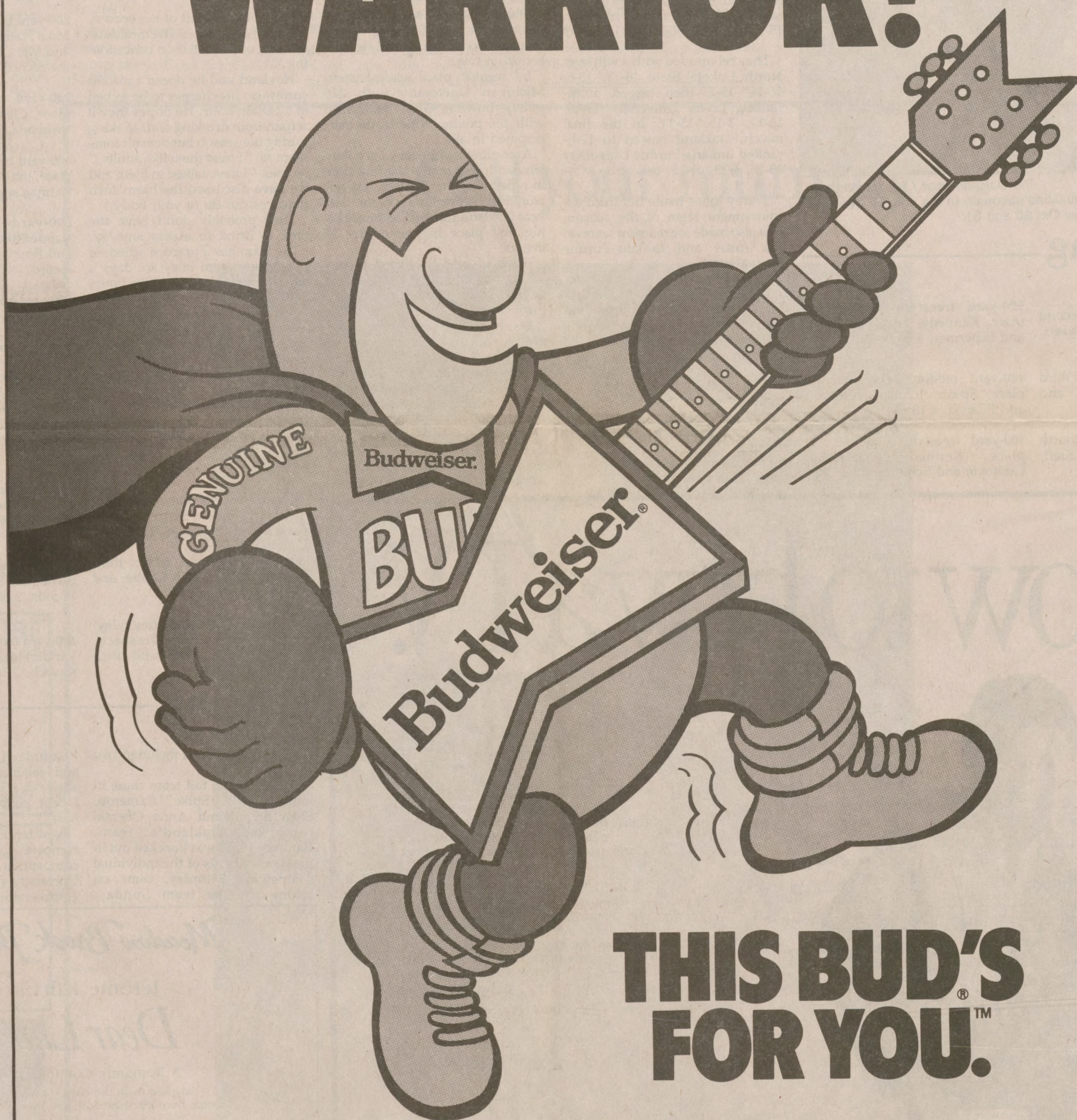
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