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every society, some of
them are very common.
Others may be a matter
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Russi offered presidential seat OU reacts to Board's spontaneity

By ERICA BLAKE
and SALLY TATO
Editor In Chief and News Editor

The brief stint of silence and
spurt of applause following the
Board of Trustees' decision last
week to offer Interim President
Gary Russi the presidential seat,
contradicted some subsequent
negative university reactions to
the seemingly impromptu
appointment.

The surprise decision, with-
out a search or any consultation
of the faculty or other members

of the community, has led some
faculty to push for an open
meeting of the "faculty as a
whole" to consider a vote of
censure of the Board of
Trustees.

The meeting would occur
sometime before the scheduled
June 6 Board meeting and
would formally notify the
Board of the faculty's concern
over the precedent set by nam-
ing a president without a formal
search process.

"Either the Board made this
decision without any thought

preparation or process, or they
knowingly violated the court
order and met either as a group
or informally in secret to make
this decision. So either they are
irresponsible or knowingly
criminal," said Communication
Professor Shea Howell late
Tuesday. Howell was a member
of the presidential search com-
mittee that was aborted last

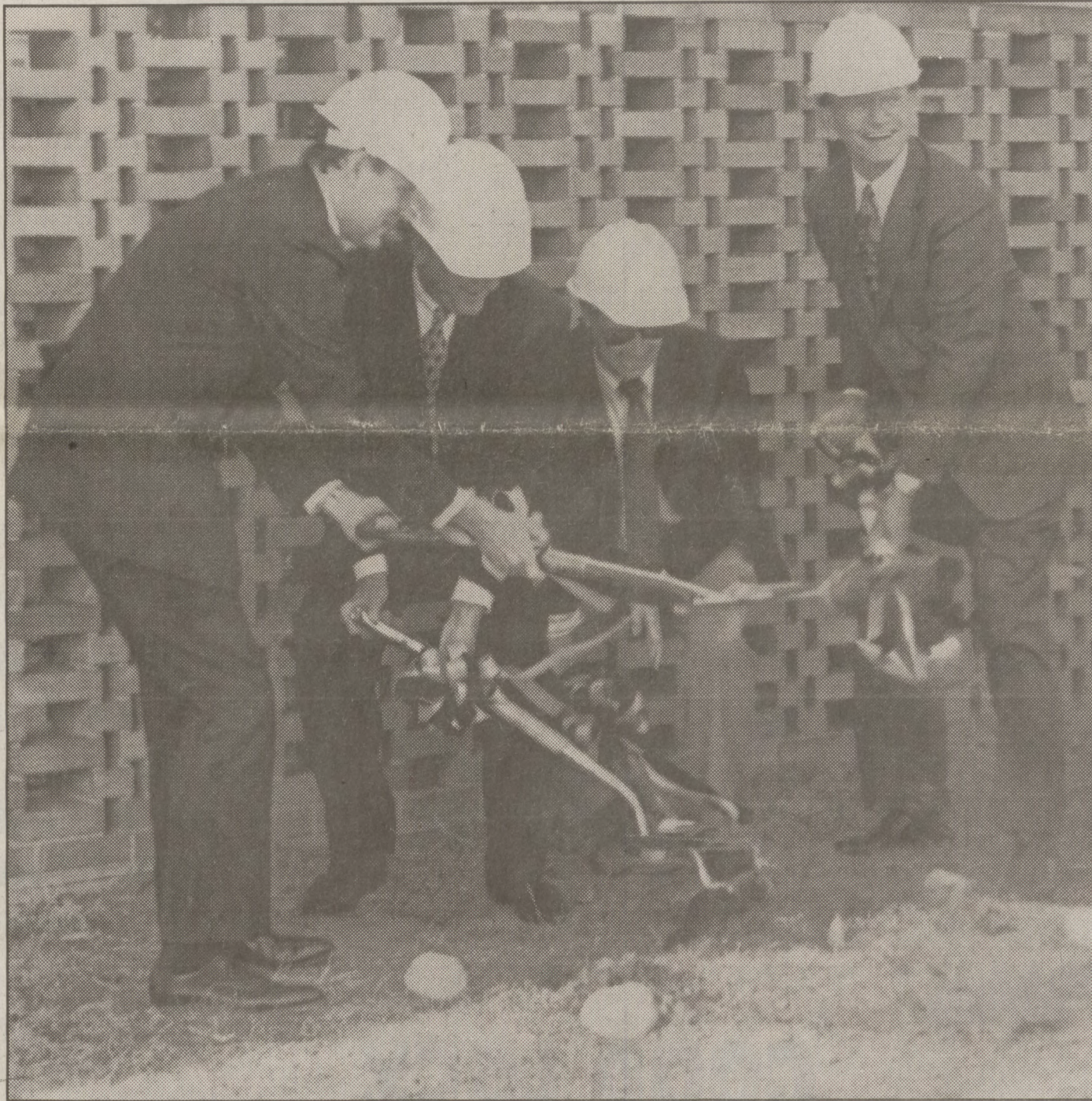
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DEAL: Board Chair David Fischer shakes Interim President Gary Russi's hand after the Board offered Russi the presidential seat.

BREAKING GROUND FOR NEW HONORS COLLEGE



Post Photo/Ian Houston

DIG THEM: (From left to right) Interim President Gary Russi, Trustee Chair David Fischer, Honors College Director Brian Murphy and Trustee Louis Ross break ground for the new Honors College in Vandenberg Hall. See Page 3

New student liaisons named to Board seats

Student successors have
big plans for positions

By JAIME SHELTON
Staff Writer

Two new student liaisons will take
student concerns to the Board of
Trustees starting in July.

Interim President Gary Russi
named the new representatives:
graduate student Judith Lango and
junior Angela Dodson at Thursday's
board meeting.

After a year of service as the first
student liaisons to the Board of
Trustees, Garrick Landsberg and

Margo Kendzier will leave their seats
in July, allowing one nontraditional
and one undergraduate student to
take their places.

Though Russi made the final
selections, a group of faculty, staff
and students helped screen potential
student liaison applications. There
was also an interview process with
Russi and Vice President of Student
Affairs Mary Beth Snyder.

Lango, a graduate student with a
bachelor's degree in psychology is
studying for her master's public
administration, and Dodson, a junior
majoring in public administration

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Language studies get one student a full ride Graduate student heads to Yale

By SUZY SCHOLZ
Staff Writer

When OU graduate
Jennifer Driscoll
opened a letter from Yale
University on March 4 she
never expected the news
she found inside.

The letter not only
informed the 23-year-old
December graduate that
she was accepted into the
prestigious school's doctor-
ate program for German
Literature, but made a fully
paid financial offer.

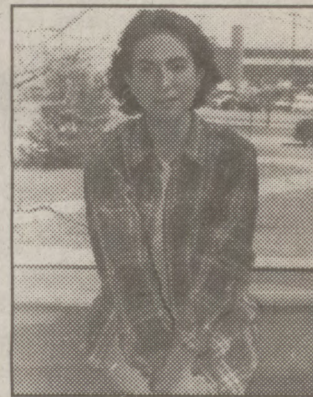
An offer she couldn't

refuse.

"I didn't expect it at all, I
thought maybe they would
pay for half, but I would've
never guessed they'd offer
me what they did," Driscoll
said.

The offer not only pays
Driscoll's tuition in full for
the five year program, but
additionally provides her
with a \$5,500 stipend each
year for four years and an
\$8,700 stipend for the fifth
year of the program.

This amount, Driscoll
estimates, should be
enough to cover the costs of
food, books and rent for



Jennifer Driscoll

each year she is at Yale.
In addition to these
monies, Driscoll has also

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Search looms ahead for VP replacement

OU community hopes
for a national search

By SALLY TATO
and HEIDI HEDQUIST
News Editor and Assistant Features Editor

Kevin Early compares Gary Russi's recent
presidential appointment to that of Gerald
Ford in the early 1970s. Ford was handpicked
from the House of Representatives to serve as
Nixon's vice president.

Like Ford, Russi's predecessor resigned and
Russi was offered the presidency.

However a title without community
approval sometimes results in a lack of
respect, said Early, associate professor of
Sociology.

"You can never have the respect of the com-
munity, if you're not confirmed by the com-
munity," he said.

It's for this reason that Early supports a
national search for a qualified candidate to fill
the vice president of Academic Affairs seat
that Russi will leave behind if the Board of
Trustees approves his presidential contract in
June.

"It's always been my belief that great uni-
versities are not made by hiring internal
candidates," Early said. "Only by diversifying
candidate pools do you expand the universi-
ty's horizon."

Russi, however, has not decided what
actions will take place if he is appointed and a
search for a replacement becomes necessary.

"Organizational issues will be discussed
widely in the coming weeks by consulting

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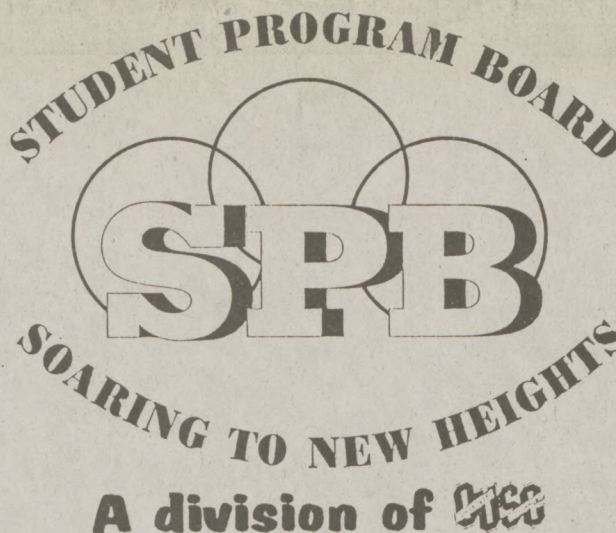
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Good Luck on Finals!

Outcome of the April 8th
Student Congress Meeting

- The Student Allocations Funding Board Guidelines were approved.
- Resolution 96-14 was passed resolving that the Oakland University Student Congress support the reinstatement of unique student identification numbers and support the efforts of the registrar's office to protect all students' rights to privacy of personal information.

A heartfelt thank you
goes out to the 1995-96
SPB crew. Good luck
next year, and don't
ever forget-
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part of the SPB
team. Apply now
for any of these
positions in 19E OC.
Good luck.

GOOD LUCK ON FINALS!

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Ann MacDonald for Publicity

Raymond Landsberg for Tech

Dawn Coraci for Underground Coffeehouse

Diana Pletz for Lecture/Special Events

Shajan Kay for Associate Chair

Rachael Nichols for Visual and Performing Arts

Michael Graczyk for Comedy/Dance

Paul Franklin for SPB Advisor

Melissa Ostaszewski for Recreation and Leisure

Kelly Schehr for SPB Chair

Kelly-
Good luck in
Grad. School.
You will be
missed here at OU!

CAMPUS

OMA lawsuit still pending court decision

Board decision does not alter stance taken by *The Oakland Press*

By ERICA BLAKE
and SALLY TATO
Editor In Chief and News Editor

January 11 1995 • Sandra Packard resigns; Gary Russi named interim president.

March 13 1995 • Search committee formed; Spencer Stuart search firm hired.

April 1995 • The *Oakland Press* files suit against OU for holding closed committee meetings. Court enjoins OU from secret meetings.

May 22 1995 • Presidential search terminated; Russi continues as interim president.

April 11 1996 • Board votes to appoint Russi president; OU community upset over lack of search process.

A Board of Trustees decision to appoint Gary Russi as OU's next president will not dissuade *The Oakland Press* from maintaining its stance in a lawsuit filed last April against the university. The lawsuit, which *The Oakland Press* won, is on appeal to the Michigan Court of Appeals, and charges OU with violating the Open Meetings Act. "I don't see any reason why we wouldn't continue because the issues are still there," said

Dawn Phillips, general counsel to Michigan Press Association who is representing *The Oakland Press*. "The issue is the validity of the way the Board of Trustees went about the search." *The Oakland Press* filed the lawsuit against OU's Board in April when a reporter was forced to leave the March 21 presidential search committee meeting. *The Oakland Post* filed a similar complaint with the Oakland County Prosecutor who is authorized under state law to prosecute violations of the OMA. In May, Circuit Court Judge

Gene Schnelz ruled that OU violated the OMA. According to Schnelz, universities are public bodies under the OMA and as such, searches for top slots like university presidents, are subject to the openness requirements of the state sunshine laws. OU disagreed with the lower court's ruling, but the university's assistant general counsel, Robert Bunker, would not say whether OU would withdraw its appeal following Russi's pending appointment. Bunker said OU's Board would have to evaluate that possibility.

However, William Thomas, executive editor of *The Oakland Press* said the case will continue. "I think that the OU Board has demonstrated the continuing arrogance of public universities throughout the state toward the public's interest in the selection of a university president," Thomas said. He continued, "This does not indicate displeasure with Dr. Russi as a person, but the Board of Trustees will sooner or later get the point that university presidential searches are to be

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Sally Tato

A package only OU could deliver

Russi will be appointed president.

These words crept their way into my ears almost one year ago.

We expected this to happen at the May 22, 1995 Board of Trustees meeting.

A fledgling group of *Post* reporters showed up promptly and eager-eyed to witness the Board of Trustees set a precedent by terminating a national search and appointing a candidate internally.

Well, we were about a year off.

The Board surprised us, as they have attempted to do so many times before, and instead simply terminated the search last year.

Since then, we've watched things progress under Russi's interim reign, both inside and out of these offices.

A lot of growing up happened during the course of this school year, my last.

Gone are any inhibitions or fears sometimes associated with tackling hard news stories whose sources make themselves as untouchable as possible with a PR department.

Thanks to everyone who made the select stories that made it into my portfolio, successful. Thanks for the last minute help Sharon and Geoff.

Thanks to the writers who made my job what it was meant to be. Joe, you're the best. A special thanks to Jaime- um... administrators you might want to keep an eye on her, she's good, and she's young.

And of course, my co-editors and fellow *Post* employees, Sue, Heidi, Chris, Ian, Patty, Angelo, Zub and Tony - who else could listen to me rant and rave about my job on a deadline night, and all for nothing because if I had to do it again, I wouldn't change a thing- except maybe a few commas here and there. Sha, I always appreciated the feedback.

To Joe and always Rob, whose perfectionist mentalities drove me crazy but always forced me to try harder, despite constant critiques.

And the biggest thanks to Erica who knows hour for hour what it took to make it through this year.

We're going out with a bang- kind of full circle considering where we started.

Russi will probably accept the presidential seat and the board will most likely suffer the consequences of appointing him without consultation, and I'll miss reporting it, but the paper is left in good hands.

Jane Briggs-Bunting, after all, is always here. She's our dungeon master when there's the smell of a story in the air, and she's the mom when she sees her kids under pressure.

Nice combination for the woman who single-handedly raises a crop of kids each year that go from cowering journalists, afraid to doubt the word of some administrators, to secret infiltrators who often uncover and report stories that some hoped would remain undercover.

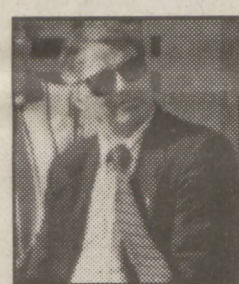
The stay is over and only OU could deliver it in such a package, ending it with exactly what I thought would start it.

Honors College brings eclectic look to campus

Groundbreaking draws OU community to Vandenberg

By HEIDI HEDQUIST
Assistant Features Editor

Groundbreaking for the \$347,000 Alvin Larson Hall Honors College took place Thursday. Honors College Director Brian Murphy was joined by Interim President Gary Russi, Board of Trustees Chair David Fischer and Board member Louis Ross in using the commemorative shovel.



Brian Murphy

The ceremony was held immediately following the Board of Trustees meeting.

"It went off smoothly and perfectly, and, I think quite elegantly," said Brian Murphy associate professor of English and Director of the Honors College.

The Honors College which currently enrolls approximately 200 students, will relocate from Varner Hall to the ground floor of Vandenberg Hall.

The space in Vandenberg consists of approximately 1,800 square feet.

When finished, the Honors College will consist of a reception area, director's office, a meeting room and classroom space.

Although, according to Murphy, some modification will probably need to be made during construction, he feels that the plans will remain consistent.

The groundbreaking was attended by members of the OU faculty, staff and their guests as well as many dignitaries such as mayors and Robert Swanson who is a former Vice President of Finance and Administration and a former Vice President of Development Affairs.

Swanson was representing the Alvin Larson Estate. Larson died Oct. 11, 1994.

"He (Larson) gave OU a lot of money. He's

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Gifts of art adorn Kresge Library following seminar



Post Photo/Ian Houston

GIFTS OF ART: Lt. Mel Gilroy describes a collection of art donated to OU by Mr. and Mrs. Amitendranath Tagore.

Economic talk to boost international relations

peace

Attendees gain understanding of nations, people

By SUZY SCHOLZ
Staff Writer

The purpose: to increase peace through the understanding of nations.

Meadow Brook Hall housed dignified experts on Japanese-Chinese relations April 10 as the Southeast Michigan China Network hosted the third annual Ambassador Leonard Woodcock Legacy Seminar on Chinese-Japanese politics and trade.

The three and a half hour seminar titled "Japan And The Future Of The

Pacific Rim" examined U.S. and East Asian perspectives on geo-political economic conditions.

The underlying goal of the seminar was to talk about the future to promote understanding and communication between nations and peoples, said Woodcock East Asia Reading Room Committee Co-Chair and OU Police Lt. Mel Gilroy.

"Our ultimate goal, of course, is peace," Gilroy said. "We need to talk about politics, economics, trade law, intellectual property law and software-cd bootlegging to see how the

nations relate to one another and how this affects us."

The 13 speakers for the seminar included, Consulate General of Japan in Detroit Takeshi Kagami representing the Japan perspective; Huang Dongbi, Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Chicago, providing a "View from an Asian Neighbor"; and OU alumni and Director, Economic Affairs Unit Office of Chinese and Mongolian affairs U.S. Department of State, Michael W.

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Purse burglar on the prowl

An OU staffer left her purse in her North Foundation Hall office on April 5 and discovered her change purse missing from inside her purse.

The woman said she kept the change purse inside her purse that she stored under her desk.

However, she did not keep her door locked.

The change purse contained a necklace worth \$4,000, the woman told police.

Another university employee left her purse in her O'Dowd office on April 11 and returned a few hours later to find her wallet missing.

The woman told police

that she doesn't lock the door to her office and that she had been in and out of her office all day.

The wallet was maroon



leather and contained about \$10, some credit cards and her driver's license.

Hang-up Harasser

A married housing resident called police to report a

series of prank calls.

The woman told police that for the past two months she has been receiving hang up calls at least twice a day.

She said the caller doesn't speak and hangs up as soon as she picks up the phone.

She requested that the campus telephone department place a Caller I.D. on her phone so that she can identify who is calling.

Now You See It

Four T-marker flags were stolen from Katke-Cousins Golf Course on the east campus sometime between April 10 and April 12.

Golf course employees told police that beer cans were found in the area.

Herpes awareness ad contest means scholarship for student

By College Press Service

NEW YORK--One message. Thirty seconds. A \$10,000 scholarship.

That's the reward awaiting the college student who creates a winning television public-service announcement about genital herpes, says the American College Health Association.

The association is inviting anyone, 18 or older and enrolled in an accredited institution of higher learning to enter the contest.

The winner not only receives the scholarship, but also a chance to assist in the professional production of the PSA for a national television market. Also, the contest's five finalist will be flown to New York for the PSA's premiere.

According to the association, the sexually transmitted disease continues to plague college students and others at an alarming rate. As many as 31 million Americans have genital herpes, with 500,000 new infections occurring each year, says the association.

"We need to find new ways to teach sexually active adults to recognize the signs and symptoms of genital herpes," said Charles Hartman, the associations executive director.

Videotape entries are due by April 26. Students who wish to enter the contest can receive official contest rule entry forms by writing: Tuning In To Herpes PSA Contest, 111 E. 14th St., Ste. 385, New York, NY 10003; call (212) 886-2250; or e-mail Herpes PSA@aol.com.

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EDITOR'S VIEW

Board's actions violate process, OU traditions

They finally did it.

After 11 months of sidestepping the issue, OU's trustees approved a resolution to extend Gary Russi an offer to become the sixth president of the university.

And in doing so, the Board established a dangerous precedent by avoiding the process which has been used to select each of his predecessors and virtually every university president nationwide.

Rumors that Russi's appointment was the original intent of the Board have been circulating since the national presidential search was terminated in May. That decision was made to avoid the openness requirements of the state's sunshine laws.

Several reports addressing the speculations that Russi was the Board's top candidate from the beginning appeared in the *Post* throughout the year.

Although *Post* stories were greeted with condescending laughs and constant denials, not only by the Board but by Russi himself, clearly our information was correct.

The Board's actions showed utter disregard for this community's input and its culture--searches are standard operating procedure. But six of the trustees clearly got what they'd been angling for all along--their own way.

The vote at last Thursday's Board of Trustees meeting created mixed emotions throughout the university community. Although Russi's abilities or competency was not attacked, the process was--because there wasn't one.

By its actions, the Board achieved continuity for the university, but it may well have sacrificed far more with the lack of process. Russi could show true leadership by declining the Board's offer unless and until he held open, broad reaching sessions with the community and allowed that community input.

The Board's failure to involve the community is not all together unexpected. The Board chose to ignore input from the university constituencies during the last presidential search and thus decided on the candidate it wanted. The majority of the faculty's preferred choice was the other woman.

We and they lived with their mistake.

And now it's being repeated.

Despite a national search for Vice President of Academic Affairs, Russi was not the top choice of that search committee. But he was Sandra Packard's top choice.

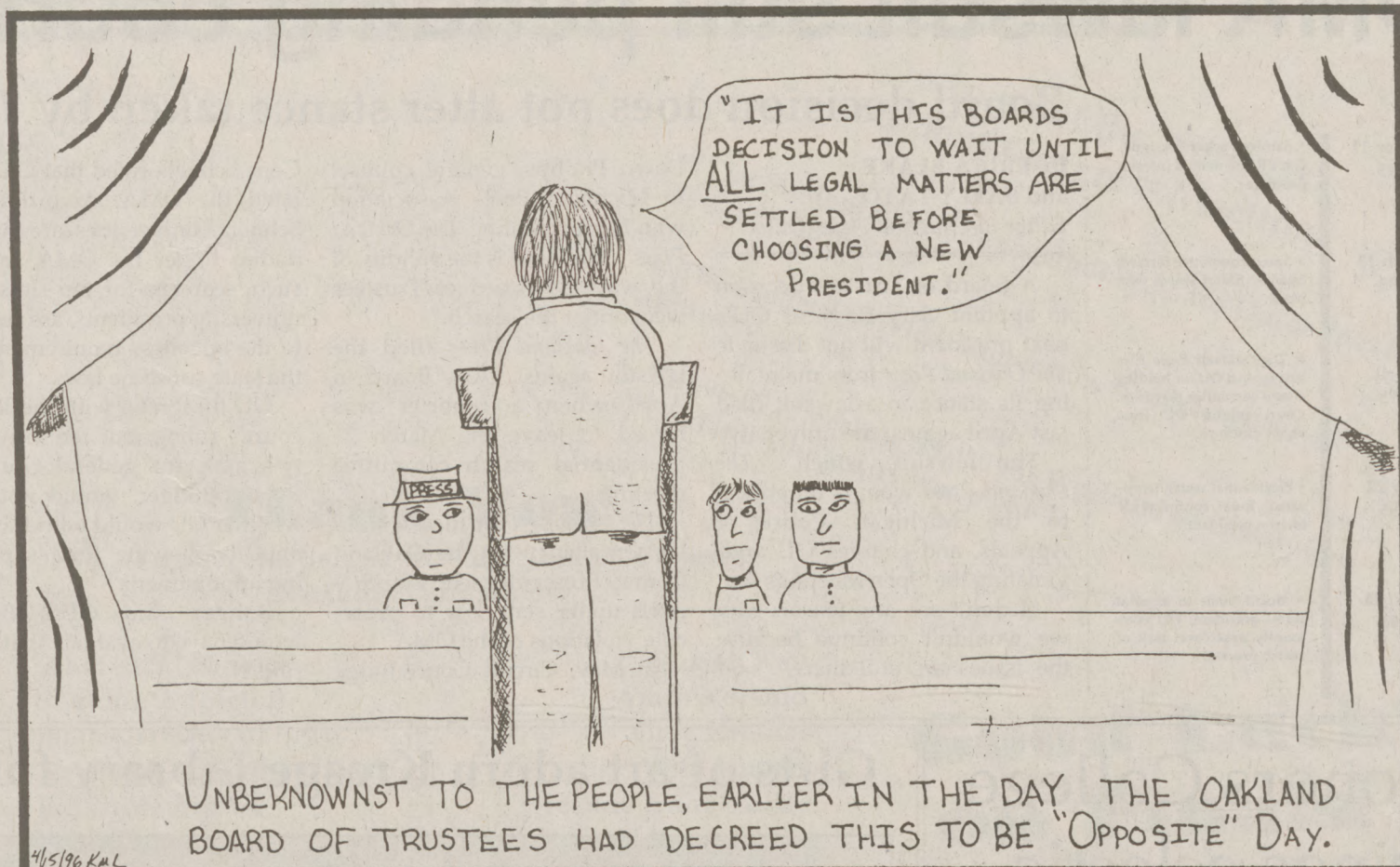
Russi (along with Vice President of Finance and Administration Paul Bissonnette) lead the arguably necessary coup against Packard. Now he's the clearcut chief beneficiary of her ouster.

But at least Packard and Russi came on board after an exhaustive series of face to face interviews.

Russi's never had to answer one question publicly on his views of the role of the presidency nor his vision of OU for the future.

There will be no yardstick to measure his presidency--his promises versus what he delivers. Who but the Board can hold him accountable?

OPINION



Letters to the Editor

Hazing incident: Still a hot topic on campus

Greek Council President-Elect Speaks Out

Dear Editor,

"The only press the Greeks get is bad press." This is the sentiment I have been hearing for the past two weeks, come to think of it, for the past two years. This statement is probably quite true. However, is this because the press doesn't want to report on the good things the Greek system does? No, it is because the people in the Greek Community are reactive not proactive. I guarantee you that if you hand in a press release to the editor of *The Oakland Post*, he/she will send someone to cover the story, if given enough notice. But most of the time we as Greeks feel that a positive story will leak out to the press because, "It shows we really do care for our surrounding community and the less fortunate." And when we do get press coverage people are quoted as saying things like, "Greek Week is a flop." This was said by a gentleman who proclaimed himself the official Greek Week Evaluator. He felt that on only the second day of Greek Week, at an event that had the best Greek turnout in the past two years that I have been associated with the Greek Community, the entire week was a flop. Does he really have the ability to see the future? I wonder why we get bad press?

Everyone open your eyes!! Hazing happened to an individual. This individual is going to live his whole life with the nightmares of being hazed. The newspaper didn't attack the Greek system. What they wrote has hurt the Greek system, but it was not an attack. They have a job to do and that is to report the news that effects the campus. This news effects the campus. Hazing hurt the Greek Community, *The Oakland Post* didn't. This is not a black and

white issue. The only thing that makes this black and white, is that the story is written in black and white. To say that this only affects the African American Fraternities and Sororities is quite self centered. We are in this together, black, white, Hispanic, Asian, every race, every color, every fraternity and every sorority. Anyone outside of the Greek community doesn't know the difference between ΔΣΘ, ΣΑΕ, ΦΒΣ, ΦΣΣ, ΣΛΓ. When people see this they see two similarities: 1) these are groups in the Greek system, 2) they all contain the symbol Σ. It is unfair to isolate yourselves from the Greek community because you and I are both a part of it. We are the Greek community.

It was great to see the Letters to the Editor in last week's issue. It was not great to see personal attacks on the staff of *The Oakland Post*. The reason the headlines were what they were was to catch the eye of the reader, of you the student. I believe it did just that. Dear editor, whoever threw away the papers are in the wrong. And it may seem like the easy thing to do, but please don't point fingers at the Greek community without proof. This is an example of bad reporting. To Ms. Jill, you have made many typos in your story. First of all, Evana is a member of Alpha Delta Pi. Secondly, we were to meet in the exhibit lounge Thursday at 11:45 not 11:15. This is not a personal attack and I understand that you are only human, but please check your references in whatever your next story may be. This is an example of bad reporting.

I challenge the Greek community to learn more about each other before telling non-Greeks to learn more about us. It is our ignorance with each others' traditions that hinders us. It is our ignorance that we don't know how each of us pledge, it is our igno-

rance that we don't know how each of us run our own chapters. If we are ignorant about each other how are we going to educate non-Greeks about us?

To say that this hazing incident "will not change anything" is wrong. On April 25 the university will set precedent on what will happen to any group found guilty of hazing. This month the Greek community will be submitting their report to the University on what we recommend the future of Greek life should be on this campus. How many of my fellow Greeks who care so much for Greek life were on this committee? Wake up Greeks! Hazing used to be a practice on most campuses. Not anymore, but at one time it was the norm. Hazing is a sign of insecurity of yourself. Hazers are people who need the feel of power, they need to see people "earn" their way into a fraternity or sorority. The way I see it, these new members are going to be my friends for the rest of my life. This question goes to all hazers. When you meet someone new and want them to become your friend do you invite them over and then begin to physically abuse them, or have them wash your car or clean your room? I sure hope not. You want the "good press", you already have it but you don't use it. The Greek Council sponsors a column in the *Post* just for the Greek community. No one uses it. Who is to blame for that, *The Oakland Post*? Use your resources!

In concluding, brothers and sisters of the Greek community change now before we are made to change. If we wait to change until we are made to do so, it will be too late!!

I love and respect all my brothers and sisters in my Greek family.

Sincerely,

Angelo Loria
 President-elect, Greek Council
 Theta Chi Fraternity
 Sophomore
 Psychology

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you in regards to the publicity you have been giving to the Greek system. I know "bad" publicity sells papers, but you are not selling the *Post*. The OU community wants to read about everything that happens here on campus whether it be "bad" or "good". I believe that your non-Greek writers are stuck in a time warp to the "Animal House" generation. I will admit that Greek life may have revolved around stupid stunts and "kegger" parties, but we no longer living in the '60s and '70s. Our generation of Greeks are still out to have a good time, but we do it maturely and responsibly. We also help the community and gain valuable leadership qualities while serving in our respective organizations.

To my knowledge I have never seen a positive article in the *Post* about Greek organizations. I believe that your writers are too removed from the system to accurately report on it. But then again, news reporters are not always familiar with the topics they cover, so maybe the problem here is

lack of research and close mindedness. I realize that it is your policy to have objective writers cover each story, but perhaps the solution would be to have a Greek source, outside *The Oakland Post*, to get the facts correct. It may be worth it to prevent this type of slander from happening again.

This may seem petty and stupid, but if you cannot spell an organizations name right (Sigma Alfa Epsilon?) [Referring to the article "Greeks aren't geeked about Greek Week" April 10, 1996] then maybe you should not write about them at all. How would you, Ms. "Blayke", like it if someone spelled your name wrong. This is just a small example of how your writers and staff are too withdrawn from the system to notice or care.

Sincerely,

Liz Shaw
 Gamma Phi Beta
 Senior
 Chemistry

"Too Removed to Accurately Report"

Letters to the Editor

Greeks feel coverage gives 'bad publicity'

Attack on Post

Dear Editor,

I am writing this in response to the past several issues of the *Post*. I am active in several areas on the OU campus including Residence Halls Council, Woman in Communications, and Gamma Phi Beta International Sorority.

My concern lies in the stereotypical headlines which have recently been used to address Greeks on Oakland's campus. Although it is true that hazing does exist, it is not true that it is tolerated or encouraged in the Greek system. Before you send your reporters to slander

the names of Greek organizations as a whole, do some research. One of the biggest problems in our society is that we allow a few people with big mouths and obnoxious attitudes represent us as a whole. Well, the hazing incident involved only a few people and one organization. However, there are currently over 500 Greeks on Oakland's campus and 15 Greek organizations. This is bad publicity for the rest of us.

I believe that you owe every organization and its members a formal apology. More importantly you owe the campus community the truth about every organization, as journalists isn't that your job?

I did not join my organization to buy my friends or to "fit in". I joined Gamma Phi Beta to be a part of a well respected organization whose object is to promote the highest type of womanhood through life long learning. As students at an institute of higher learning isn't that what we're here for?

As an active member I have gained many skills through Gamma Phi Beta which will be useful throughout my life. I have come into contact with many people from different walks of life. I have gained insight from all of them, and I am grateful that I had this opportunity. As a university student, I did not buy into the Greek stereotype and I am truly sorry if you have. Because, by doing this you cut yourself off from a wonderful experience. Every time I meet a woman on this campus, I would like to extend my sisterhood to her not because of numbers, but because of the wonderful experience I have gained. It is true that the Greek system is not for everyone, but how do you know if you don't find out for yourself? So come join us, we do have open meetings, Sunday nights at 7 p.m. If you need an invitation this is it.

Sincerely,

Marianne Menna
Gamma Phi Beta
Junior
Communications

Urge to Learn

Dear Editor,

As an alumna of the Phi Sigma Sigma sorority, I felt compelled to write you in light of coverage of recent events. It disturbs me to read the negative articles concerning Greek life in *The Oakland Post*.

I understand and am deeply concerned with the hazing allegations that have been made. However, this is one organization and a few individuals. *The Oakland Post* has seemed to group the Greek system as a whole. We are separate organizations. Each has their own personality, views and rules. The national fraternities and sororities on this campus do all they can to stop hazing. Phi Sigma Sigma has national laws as do many sororities and fraternities. We have chapter consultants that visit regularly to ensure that our national policies are being followed. Hazing is cruel and has no part in the Greek system. Yes, it does happen. However, you can't hold the mistake of a few ignorant people over all of

our heads.

While I agree that this unfortunate situation must be acknowledged and definitely has its place in *The Oakland Post*, I also would like to state that very rarely do I see comments on all of our community work, volunteering, fund raisers and philanthropies on the front page.

I have been a member of my particular organization for four years. I have belonged to two chapters and have been in contact with countless numbers of the Greek organizations and I can assure you the good outweighs the bad.

Please feel free to report on our Greek community. We'll gladly give you information. Phi Sigma Sigma holds an annual rock-a-thon (as do all our 200+ chapters internationally) to raise money for the National Kidney Foundation (we are one of the leading contributors). We all have such activities. Just ask. Our office is right next door to yours. Just please give the good at least as much publicity as the bad. I understand it may not attract as many readers, but isn't it just as important?

The Greek organizations on this campus are uplifting and supportive for our members as

"It is way beyond time that we are given credit for all the good we do, not just looked down on for the bad."

well as the community. It is way beyond time that we are given credit for all the good we do, not just looked down on for the bad. We are just like any other organization. We are not perfect, but we have earned and are entitled to just as much respect as anyone else.

Sincerely,

Kelli M. Rogers
Phi Sigma Sigma Alumna
Junior
Marketing

Saying Thanks

Dear Editor,

Personally, I have many faculty, staff, and administrators from the Oakland community to thank for their help throughout my five years at Oakland and during my tenure as Student Body President. As it would take more than an entire issue of *The Oakland Post* to list how each of these remarkable people have influenced me at

Oakland, I've just listed each alphabetically: Jan Baker, Paul Bissonnette, Jane Briggs-Bunting, Felecia Bumpus, Curt Chipman, Shirley Cobb, Bill Connellan, David Discend, David Downing, Kevin Early, Robert Eberwein, Todd Estes, Richard Fekel, Paul Franklin, Nina Googasian, Christina Grabowski, Ruth Hegyi, David Herman, Mary Isaacs, Mary Karasch, Vincent Khapoya, Bill Marshall, Sandra Kern, Bill McCauley, Robin McGrath, Jean Ann Miller,

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I have a thank you as well to Angela Dodson, the Vice President of Student Congress. Not only has she worked diligently and with enthusiasm, she has served as my "right-arm" this year. Angela, a sincere thank you for your dedication and hard work.

This has been a wonderful year for me and for Student Congress. I wish next year's Congress all of the best. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Rayissa T. Slywka
Student Body President
Senior
History

Financial Aid Displeasure

Dear Editor,

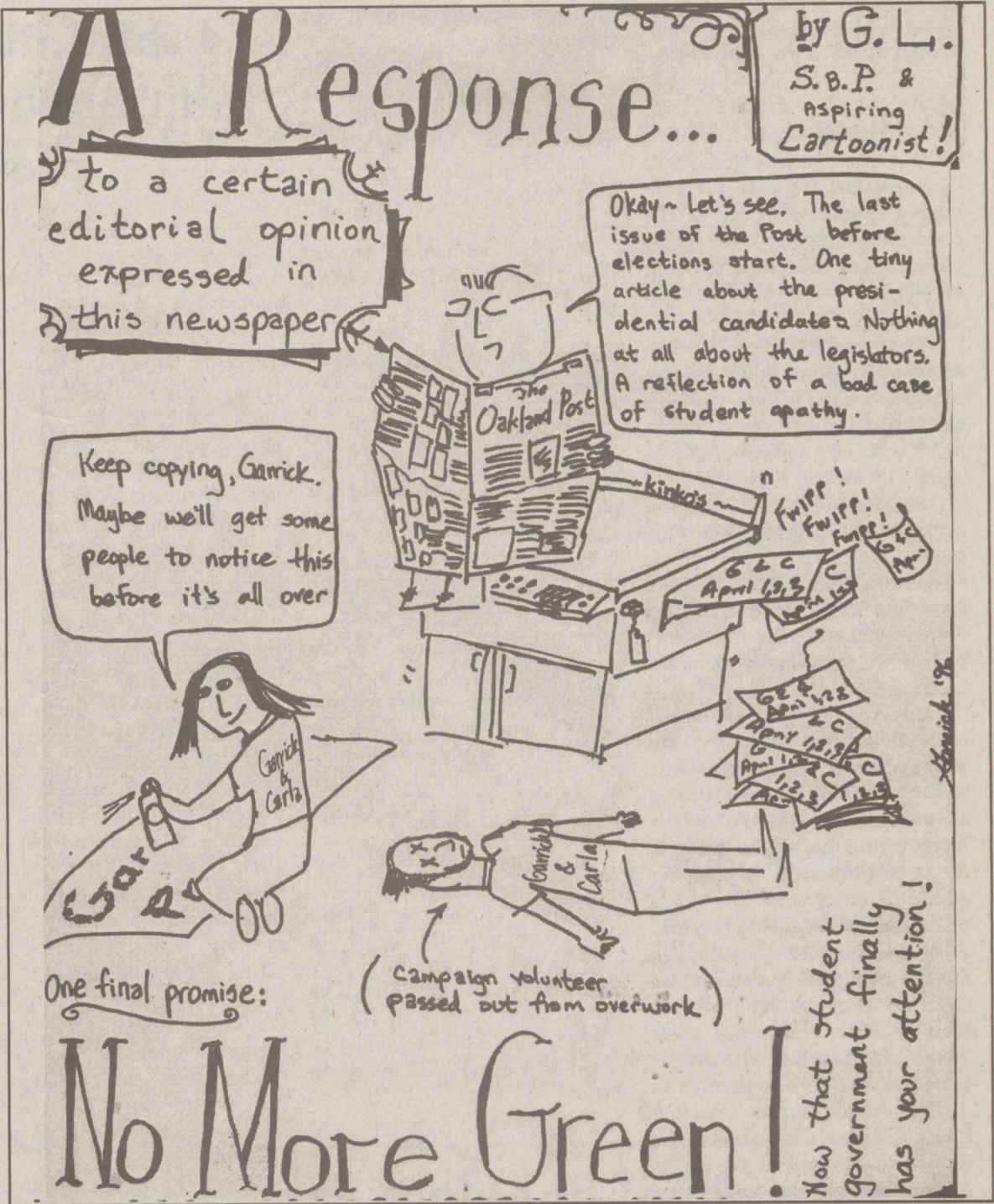
What kind of Financial office does OU have? In my opinion, not a very good one. Like most students here at OU, I need financial aid in order to attend classes. Recently I turned in some financial aid forms only to get a letter saying they lost the forms and that I had to fill them out again. The staff doesn't seem like they know what's going on and they don't appear to care. I wonder how many students have lost

out on financial aid because of the office's carelessness and negligence. Maybe if the students complain more, and not just to the director, maybe this office can get their act together before some student's life is ruined.

Sincerely,

Lynn M. Gerula
Senior
History

Guest Cartoon



Post Coverage: Tells It Like It Is

Dear Editor,

I am writing concerning the articles that were published in the April 3 and April 10 issue of *The Oakland Post*, regarding the hazing article.

This letter probably is probably not going to be like all the letters you have received. As I was reading the April 10 issue, I noticed all the letters that were sent to you and thought that these letters were unnecessary. By unnecessary, I mean that they did not address the real issue. The real issue is the hazing that went on in Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. As a former Greek I can say that not all Greek organizations have hazing. But, this is irrelevant to the fact. Ms. Tato has reported one incident of hazing and was not accusing all Greeks of hazing. In one of the letters you received it said that you owe the Greeks an apology. My question is why? You or Ms. Tato did not cause this incident. You were merely reporting the story and sticking to the hard facts.

It is a disappointment to the Greeks as well as the Student Body of OU that this occurred. I have also read the letters saying on how it is unfair that only the bad of the Greek system is being reported. There is a designated section for the Greeks in the paper to show their pride. So if you want to share the good of the Greeks, take advantage and write.

As the saying goes, "One bad apple ruins the bushel." This saying is unfortunate but true. The hazing did occur and Ms. Tato and Ms. Blake did their job and reported this incident. Now that this incident has been reported and is acknowledged, I am sure that OU will take fair and necessary action to this incident. But, it is useless for

the Greeks to sit and complain and say that Greeks are not all about hazing. The Greeks must take action and show that there is good within the Greek community.

Also, to address one more issue, the article regarding Greek Week. This article was written quoting Greeks so if there was any offense to it, do not blame it on the journalist but on the quotes that were taken straight form the Greeks.

To conclude, Ms. Tato and Ms. Blake thank you for doing your job and reporting the story. In no way should anyone put the blame on either of you. I think if people stopped and read the story according to the facts, they will find that the story was not to say that all Greeks have hazing, but it is to say that a hazing incident did occur. I think if people stopped and read the story according to the facts, they will find that the story was not to say that all Greeks have hazing, but it is to say that a hazing incident did occur. In no way do I feel that Erica and Sally owe an apology to the Greek community. After all, their job is to report the story, and that they did. The one person who deserves an apology is the victim of this hazing incident.

Sincerely,

Nada Sater
Sophomore
Pre-law major

The staff of THE OAKLAND POST would like to thank the OU community for its continuing support throughout the year. We've covered some interesting people and interesting stories. We've had an eventful year with lots of reactions... no hard feelings.

We've tried to keep up (the administration sure gave us a run for our money) and a special thanks to all our tipsters. But most of all we want to thank Jane Briggs-Bunting, without her, this paper wouldn't have raised as many eyebrows as it did.

For those of us leaving, it's been grand. For those of us returning, see you next year. But don't forget, we'll be here and we'll be watching.

Thanks for the memories,
The Oakland Post

President

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May.

The search process was halted when the Oakland County Circuit Court enjoined the university from conducting search committee meetings in secret, in violation of the state's Open Meetings Act. The case is now on appeal.

While most favor Russi's nomination, some question the process, or lack of one, used by the Board, which voted six in favor with one abstention, at its April 11 meeting.

That decision raised concerns across many sectors of the campus.

Among the dissenters was Associate Professor of Nursing Frances Jackson, who is a member of the University Senate's Steering Committee.

In an April 11 letter addressed to the Board, she wrote, "... the process used to appoint Mr. Russi confirms what I have always suspected. At the highest levels of this university, there is no commitment to increasing ethnic diversity and it is not a priority at the level of the Board. ... At this institution, candidates for the office of president are required to publicly articulate their goals and priorities, their vision and plans for the university before they are appointed."

The Board, led by Trustee Louis Ross who introduced the motion at the end of the meeting's published agenda, felt that Russi has shown sufficient proof

of his abilities since taking on the interim role in January 1995, following Sandra Packard's forced resignation.

"The last president was a sincere, dedicated person could not get people to work together. OU needs to appoint a leader, appoint a president," he said in part before introducing his motion.

Ross had immediate support from Trustee David Doyle sitting on his left.

"The key point is that we've had an opportunity to look at the abilities of Dr. Russi. We've seen qualities better than any interview process (could show)," said Doyle. "The most important thing is having a good leader for the university and that's what we have."

Under Russi's interim reign, changes that have occurred include: the formation of political action committees, regular meetings with politicians and business leaders, and other initiatives, according to Ross. He also began implementation of OU's 10-year Strategic Plan which was formulated by his predecessor.

"It's a real tribute to the success of the past year and a half," said Russi. "I took the interim totally committed to being an interim. Yes, I am definitely interested in the position. I've got to talk to the chair (David Fischer). This is the first time I've heard of it along with everyone else."

The Board's action on Thursday surprised some because according to a source close to the Board, long-time

"I'm not happy about this. I think this is going to taint the beginning of the presidency."

James Sharp
Trustee

Trustees Howard Sims, and James Sharp Jr. and relative newcomer Ann Nicholson all reportedly opposed naming Russi without some search process. With Trustee David Handelman absent, one of those three needed to vote for the Russi appointment since he needed at least five votes.

"I was committed to the search process, however, as time went on I started thinking about what was good for the university, time does make a difference," said Nicholson after the meeting.

The Board's decision comes 11 months after the presidential search was terminated last May after Oakland County Circuit Judge Gene Schnelz enjoined the Board from conducting search meetings in secret and for abdication its responsibility to find OU's next president. The injunction was the result of a lawsuit brought against OU by *The Oakland Press*, for violations of the Open Meetings Act. The case is currently before the Michigan Court of Appeals.

When the Board terminated the search, it claimed its intentions

were to await judicial decision or a change in the law before continuing the search. But Ross and other trustees were frustrated with the lack of progress by either the courts or the legislature in resolving the issue.

Last week's decision, however, has upset some faculty who are dedicated to the search process.

"From everything I've seen and heard in terms of results, it appears Russi has been doing a very good job," said Finance Professor Ronald Horwitz, the former dean of the School of Business Administration and the acting Vice President of Academic Affairs before Russi's appointment. "(But) this is the most important appointment of the university, and they decided to avoid a search."

"It's customary to have a national search. In this case, it's not so crucial because Russi is here as a result of a national search," said AAUP President Renate Gerulaitis about Russi's appointment as Vice President of Academic Affairs in 1993.

"The Board did not consult with administrators or faculty for any serious input. I think it sets very bad precedence. The Board really doesn't understand how a university works. (A national search) distinguishes a good university from a bad one, and Oakland University doesn't need the bad publicity," Gerulaitis said.

Russi's appointment as VPAA was somewhat clouded. He was twice eliminated from the candidate pool by the search committee which was charged with selecting finalists for VPAA. However, Packard put him back in the pool, then hired him though he was ranked lower by the committee members than other finalists.

Others feel the prior search is no longer relevant.

Dean of Students David Herman agrees with the concern regarding the lack of a presidential search, but feels the Board made the right decision.

"While I understand the process issue, Gary Russi has been an outstanding interim president, highly committed to students. I am delighted with his selection," Herman said.

Two trustees had other reasons, however, to oppose Russi's promotion without a search.

Leery of the criticism a quick decision could create, Trustees Sims and Sharp tried to persuade fellow trustees to delay a decision, if only until the next meeting in June, before voting on Russi's nomination.

"I would feel more comfortable if this resolution was

deferred for 30 days. I think the Board could be criticized in the future for taking quick action," said Sims before the vote which he abstained from. "This Board has historically not considered any issue of lesser importance unless it is an emergency. I fail to see how the failure to appoint a president this evening is an emergency."

Sharp voiced no objection to Russi's ability but reluctantly agreed to the nomination, warning the other trustees that their hasty actions could be misconstrued.

"I'm not happy about this. I think this is going to taint the beginning of the presidency," Sharp said.

Ross conceded that criticism was inevitable but said it would pass in time. The most important factor, he argued, was to begin the next academic year with a president in place.

"The urgency came because it's April. By the time you get to June, we would lose another year. I wanted to and we need to act before a new year develops," Ross said after the meeting.

Trustees are expected to vote on final approval of Russi's appointment at the June 6 meeting if contract negotiations are resolved. If approved, Russi will officially assume the role of president probably no later than July 1, the start of OU's fiscal year.

As VPAA, Russi was hired in with an annual salary of \$115,000. That salary was raised to \$118,450 during the course of his term and then to \$136,450 while he served as interim president.

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Lawsuit

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This attitude is shared by various constituencies at OU, including its Board.

"I am concerned about process," said Trustee James Sharp Jr. during the April 11 Board meeting. "The process of how we interface with the very real Open Meetings Act question has to be answered. We need a resolution to that question either through the courts or legislature. I feel strongly about getting that question answered."

However, Sharp's concerns didn't stop the Board from moving forward with the appointment.

In response to Sharp's concerns, Trustee Louis Ross said, "The answer will come whether we nominate a president now or not."

With a seemingly spontaneous approval by the Board after about 45 minutes of discussion, some faculty question whether Trustees did in fact violate other OMA laws that prohibit closed-session talk of appointing a presidential candidate.

"I think that it is very sad that the Board of Trustees would decide to bypass a process that would have included the entire university community," said Communication Professor Shea Howell, a member of the aborted presidential search committee. "It lends credence to the notion

that this has been planned all along and furthers belief that the Board of Trustees is not at all concerned about an open process."

The Board maintains, however, that there was no discussion prior to Ross's proposal to appoint Russi at the meeting.

"I had no idea what the response would be," he said. "I was counting the comments as the remarks were coming to see what support would come."

While Russi's appointment allows the Board to avoid an open search, Trustee David Doyle said nominating Russi was not an option out.

"I don't view it as an easy way out. It's the right thing for the university to establish leadership," Doyle said.

Liaisons

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and minor in communications, were chosen because of their community involvement, grade point average and leadership at OU and in the community, Snyder said.

Included in Dodson's credentials are former Vice President of Student Congress, an Honors College student and a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. She has also been a Special Olympics volunteer and participated in charity walk-a-thons.

Lango has been involved with the Boys and Girls Club and has worked in various programs in public schools. She has also been awarded an Outstanding Service Award by Rochester Community Schools.

Though the original student liaison plan two years ago proposed to allow one student to have voting privileges, the Board of Trustees instead approved two non-voting student advocate positions, said Snyder.

Trustee Rex Schlaybaugh Jr. explained that the student liaisons are beneficial to the Board because the liaisons can speak on behalf of the student body.

"The students are our customers. The university is there to serve our students. The Board is dealing with issues that

impact our students, and the Board concluded that it made sense to have liaisons to the Board (to voice student concerns). It has worked out well so far," said Schlaybaugh.

The nonvoting status of the liaison position does not concern Dodson. She believes that there are other ways to impact the Board.

"A vote is not necessarily the only way one can exercise influence. (We plan on) expressing our concerns over and over again. The Board members are not adversaries, they're advocates (of student issues)," said Dodson.

Also, Snyder said that the positions are becoming more "formal." She explained that business cards are being printed up for the liaisons and that an office, previously set up by Landsberg and Kendzier, will be available for new liaisons use in 113 North Foundation Hall.

Despite criticism surrounding the nonvoting positions, Lango and Dodson are hopeful they will be able to have more of an impact and more input as the student liaison program enters its second year.

"Garrick and Margo did a fine job. They had to make the foundation. We plan on being a constant presence on campus. The position will only improve with time," said Lango.

Lango and Dodson already have plans for the upcoming year including utilizing focus

groups and making themselves available by telephone and e-mail. Surveys may also be option to gather information regarding student concerns, added Lango.

"We want to be in constant touch with as many students and organizations as possible and bring their views to the Board of Trustees," said Lango.

Dodson and Lango are already planning to bring such student issues as tuition increases, class scheduling problems and food courts to the Board.

By having both an undergraduate and a graduate student sit on the Board of Trustees, Board chair David Fischer believes that the new liaisons may be able to access more students for feedback.

"Judy comes from a different segment of the (OU) population. It shows that we are giving all segments representation. I think this will be very helpful," said Fischer.

Agreeing with Fischer, Dodson said that the contrast between a graduate student and an undergraduate student is beneficial to their role as student liaisons. She hopes the contrast will give them a wider perspective of student views and allow them to better serve students.

"They (Dodson and Lango) can carry on what is a really good tradition. I hope that they can continue to strengthen the positions. A good foundation is there," said Snyder.

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SPORTS

Arena demand analysis returned

OU, Auburn Hills will now decide whether to pursue second phase

By CHRIS TAIT
Sports Editor

Ice hockey is fast, feasibility studies are slow.

After expecting results of the University of Michigan Sports Facilities Research Laboratory's demand analysis sometime in March, Auburn Hills and OU received the findings April 4.

Dr. Jack Vivian, director of the research laboratory, said that a brief report was submitted to Auburn Hills and OU.

"Right now we are trying to analyze the data that Jack Vivian gave us," Vice President of Finance and

Administration Paul Bissonnette said. He added that he will meet with Auburn Hills City Manager Dennis McGee tomorrow to discuss the city's progress in evaluating the survey.

Bissonnette's thoughts on interpreting the results: "Show me another community that had data similar to this. What did they do? How did it turn out?"

According to Vivian, the next step of the feasibility would be to perform a cost analysis. "That will be the guts of it."

"The ball's in their court. We're just waiting to see if they want to go ahead with the study or not," Vivian said.

The demand analysis included a

sociographic and demographic model that will allow Auburn Hills and OU to draw a conclusion.

However, this is just a preliminary step. If OU and Auburn Hills decide to move ahead with the study, Vivian said that his laboratory could have the results ready in about two months.

The report included the demand analysis for an ice arena facility. It did not include a price tag.

However, the Mt. Clemens Ice Arena completed in September 1994 cost \$6 million.

The Mount Clemens situation is similar in that land costs were not included because the city already owned the land.

In the OU-Auburn Hills case, OU would likely supply the land needed for the project while the city helps supply some of the capital.

The whole idea of looking into a joint

venture of an ice arena facility started over lunch between McGee and Bissonnette.

Bissonnette explained that the first ideas for an OU Division I hockey team actually came from the consultant the university hired two years ago to look into the feasibility of an on-campus ice facility.

He added that if Auburn Hills decides against proceeding with the second part of the survey then OU will have to look at the possibilities of undertaking the process alone.

"The community is one partner and the university is another partner. Whether there can be a marriage between the two is the question," Bissonnette said.

Athletics Director Jack Mehl assembled a 13-member fact-finding committee September 21, chaired by Men's Head Swim Coach Pete Hovland. Mehl

said that the committee hasn't met since before Christmas because it was waiting for the results of the demand analysis study.

"As soon as I get the survey results I'll make it available to the committee," Mehl said.

Mehl explained that the function of the committee is to gather information and relate it to him. He, in turn, will use that information to help Interim President Gary Russi and Bissonnette make a decision.

Before the athletics department fact-finding committee concerning the ice facility meets again, major issues will have been decided. The major issues will be whether or not Auburn Hills is for the project, and if OU will undertake the project alone.

"It's going to be some time as we sit down and see how serious we are," Bissonnette said.

Pioneers stuck in second place despite wins

By DAVID CAMERON
Special Writer

It was a week for firsts for OU's baseball team.

One first was the record 33 runs OU scored against Michigan Christian College in a 33-2 win Thursday. Sophomore Jason Boron tied a record as he hit three home runs for OU and had a school record 11 RBI's against MCC. He was one RBI short of setting an NCAA record.

Sophomore Jason Muxlow got his first win on the season.

Freshman Jake Lawson earned another first as he registered his first collegiate win, 6-1 at Siena Heights College last Wednesday.

"I thought I threw well. I was ahead of their hitters and it helped," Lawson said.

Finally, pitchers senior Scott Simmons, junior Fritz Coyro, and sophomore Matt McClellan picked up their first career hits in the MCC rout. Senior Brian Lemons paced OU, going 2-5 on the afternoon with an RBI.

OU stayed in the GLIAC title race this past weekend, taking three of four from Northwood University. Last Saturday, OU swept NU 3-1 and 4-3. In game one, senior Tim Hellebuyck allowed four hits and upped his record to 4-2, and senior Bill Masching won the twinbill finale, 4-3 and improved to 3-3. Picking up his third straight victory, Masching stands at 3-0 in GLIAC games.

NU spoiled the shut out Sunday as OU won 5-2 in the first game, but dropped the nightcap, 4-2. Freshman Jason Hoorn seized his first win, pitching 1.3 innings in relief in game one.

OU scored four runs in the seventh, courtesy of junior Jason Paul, who hit a three-run double. OU ace reliever Aaron Phillips struck out NU's Ed Clements to end the game. That performance earned Phillips his third save this season and an OU career record 10th.

In game two, OU lost despite a great performance by Jason Boron. Boron allowed three hits and struck out eight as OU just missed sweeping the four-game series.

Head Baseball Coach Steve Lyon wanted the sweep, but said the team did two important things: "We did two things: We came from behind to win, and we won close games."

OU improves to 12-16 overall and 8-4 in the GLIAC. OU still remains in second after Mercyhurst College swept Hillsdale College, to up its record to 9-1 in the GLIAC.



BATTER'S UP: Junior catcher Ted Vlaz looks to drive in some runs today against Wayne State University at 2 p.m. behind Lepley Sports Center. OU will attempt to climb back to the .500 mark after this weeks games. The Pioneers are currently 12-16 overall and are in second place in the GLIAC (8-4) behind Mercyhurst College (9-1).

Sports teams will be housed in bubble for next two years

By CHRIS TAIT
Sports Editor

For the next two years teams that would normally call the Lepley Gymnasium home, will call the parking lot home.

Housed inside a sports bubble, the men's and women's basketball teams, as well as the volleyball team, will play their home games in the semi-permanent structure.

Vice President of Finance and Administration Paul Bissonnette said that the bubble will be the substitute playing space for the next two years after the Board of Trustees agreed to go ahead with it at its April 11 board meeting.

"It will be cheaper than seeking rental space," Bissonnette said.

According to Mehl, the Lepley Sports Center will officially go off line August 15 with some offices moving into trailers adjacent to the current building.

"Lepley will be on life support," Mehl added.

If the bubble is constructed it will take approximately 60 days to build and will be linked to Lepley through some type of umbilical cord.

"The swimming pool will be the only thing up and running. Every other component will be just supporting the bubble if it is approved," Mehl said.

Moving the teams outside will dramatically decrease the seating and tournament hosting capabilities for OU for the next two years.

The athletics department has budgeted money to buy portable bleachers to place in the bubble. Upon completion of the revamped Lepley Sports Center the stands will be moved to the natatorium portion of the building.

Mehl said that the bleachers will hold approximately 500 people.

If everything goes according to schedule Mehl said that he would expect the teams to be in the new facility for the start of the 1998 fall season.

In addition to the intercollegiate sports that will be affected by the demolition and construction phases of the new recreation and sports center, the intramural programs that depend on Lepley's multi-purpose rooms and gymnasium may be forced on hiatus.

"We'll be hard pressed to have a lot of things that normally go on, go on," Mehl said.

He did add that some IM could probably continue because they are played outside.

The rec center status is in the final weeks of the blueprint construction phase which is expected to wrap up this month.

The next phase involves bidding out the actual construction of the building to a contractor. This is scheduled to occur in May.

By the time the fall semester swings around, the gymnasium portion of the building will be long gone, a lot of dirt will be piling up, a bubble will sit in the Lepley parking lot, and the pencil pushing will turn into construction of the new facility.

Pioneers finish five strokes back

By CHRIS TAIT
Sports Editor

Three tournaments into the spring campaign and the Pioneers are still looking to get into the swing of things after finishing third to two GLIAC rivals last weekend.

Dashing the hopes for the Pioneer first place finish, Saginaw Valley State University (614) and Ferris State University (617) clenched the top two spots respectively.

Shooting a 619, OU outpaced fourth place host Grand Valley State University (633).

Although all four Pioneer players were not firing at top form, junior

Kevin Maninnen had the last laugh as he shot 149 to become the tournament medalist.

Maninnen felt that his putter was the difference: "I putted really well."

"You can hit the ball when it's windy but you just don't know where it's going to go all of the time," Maninnen said.

His teammate, junior Todd Covert finished three strokes back with FSU player

Mike Holub.

Sophomore Josh Fryer (157) was OU's third place finisher while junior Matt Joseph (162) rounded out the top four Pioneers.

The loss to SVSU and FSU puts OU between a rock and a hard place with its top player, junior Jeff Champine, still unable to compete because of illness.

"We ought to be able to do it without him. It just leaves less room for error," Men's

Golf Coach Dave DeWulf said.

OU must beat FSU and SVSU in its next two tournaments to have a chance of qualifying for the District Tournament.

THE MALONE INVITATIONAL

At the Malone Invitational April 5-6, OU finished one stroke back of host Malone College with a score of 616.

Covert was a tournament medalist shooting a 76 and a 73. Fryer, Champine, and Maninnen rounded out OU's foursome. Senior Jeremy Niederstadt returned to play after injuring his ankle. DeWulf said that getting out and playing was the best benefit of the trip for Niederstadt.

Laker Invitational results

Saginaw Valley State University	614
Ferris State University	617
Oakland University	619
Grand Valley State University	633

Highlighting the Pioneer season

Memorable moments in Pioneer sports

By CHRIS TAIT
Sports Editor

With both swimming and diving teams and both basketball teams clinching GLIAC Titles, Interim President Gary Russi called special attention to this Pioneer first at the beginning of the April 11 Board of Trustees meeting.

This past season marks the first time that OU has garnered the top spot in four different sports in one year.

It also marked the first time that OU has hosted the men's and women's GLIAC basketball tournament.

For the swimming and diving squads it was business as usual in the conference as the Pioneer men and women swam to the top spots with little difficulty.

Heading south after gaining consecutive NCAA tournament bids, both basketball squads saw their playoff hopes disappear in first round elimination.

Maybe more difficult for both team will be the task of replacing a solid nucleus of seniors that have provided both clubs with court savvy and the determination to win.

The women lose center Heather Bateman, forward/guard Deanna Richard, and forward Kristen Francis.

The men will have some very big shoes to fill as they look to replace the leadership of Andy Brodi, Matt Stuck, Jason Burkholder, and Tom Marowelli.

The swimming squads headed west to North Dakota for the National Championships.

For the women, Air Force Academy remained a nemesis as it grounded OU's chances of reclaiming the crown. It won't get any easier next season as Head Coach Tracy Huth attempts to replace Ellen Lessig, Kristen Nagelkirk, Debby Nickles, Jill Ogden, and Ellen Surowiec.

As the national balance of swimming power remained tilted in the men's favor, the Pioneers cruised to an easy third-straight National Title. Head Coach Pete Hovland will have the nearly impossible task of replacing Arthur Albiero, Adric Arndt, Tom Arnold, Bob Holdridge, Jens Kristensen, Randy Teeters, and of course, Chris Zoltak.

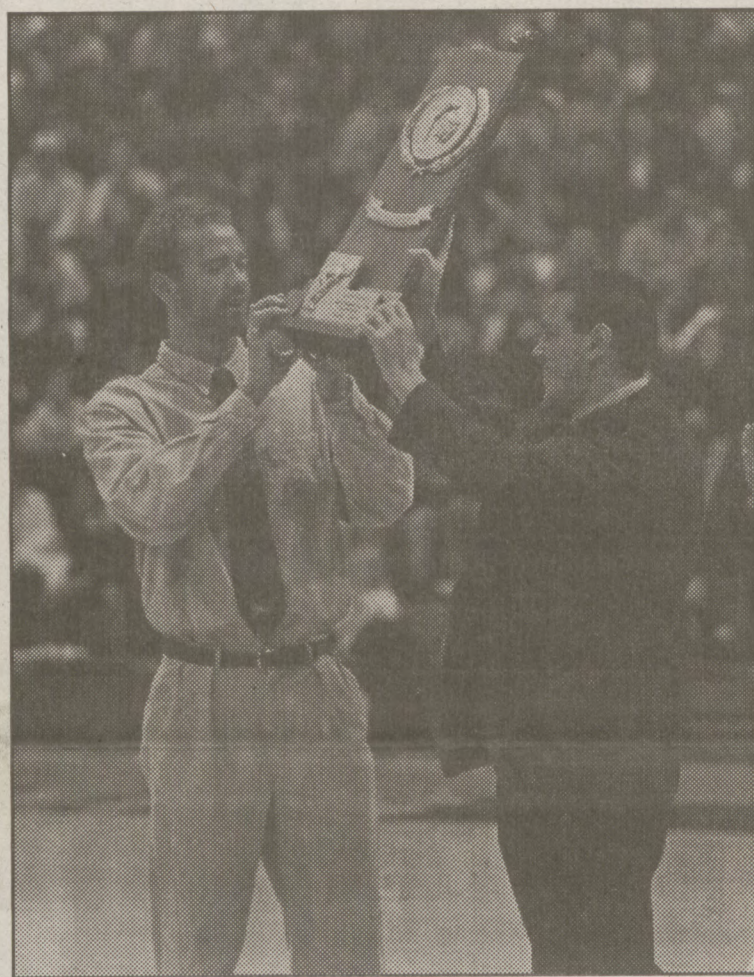
In the fall, Women's Soccer Coach Nick O'Shea led his second year squad to a 12-3-1 record. Returning to play out her final year of eligibility, senior forward Genevieve Long will be teamed up with sophomore Erin Gallagher.

Gallagher led the team in scoring with 14 goals and 9 assists for 37 points which just edged out Long's 12 goals and 12 assists for 36 points.

Next year should provide as many memories.

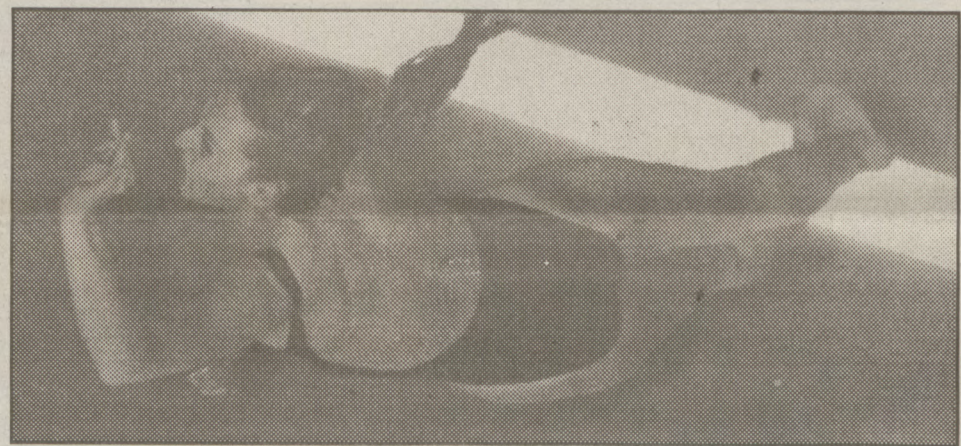


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PIONEER PRIDE: The winter sports campaign saw OU claim the GLIAC crown in four events: men's basketball, women's basketball, men's swimming and diving, and women's swimming and diving. At the beginning of the April 11 Board of Trustees Meeting, Interim President Gary Russi called special attention to the achievements of OU's scholar/athletes (above) in his President's Report. Seated in the front row with crutches is senior Matt Stuck. He injured his ankle in the Pioneer's opening game of the GLIAC Tournament. To his left are: basketball players: senior Jason Burkholder, junior Alyson McChesney, sophomore Jamie Pewinski, junior Kristen Grant, freshman Stacy Piasecki, sophomore Ulrika Nilsson, and junior Cyndi Platter. The athletic department paid a special tribute to the men's swimming and diving team during half-time of a home basketball game (left). Senior captains Chris Zoltak (left) and Arthur Albiero hoist the plaque for the Lepley crowd. This year the women's diving squad was a powerful unit led by junior Michelle Rademacher (below).



Post Photo/Bob Knoska

Pioneer of the Week



Kevin Maninnen
Men's Golf
Junior

Maninnen was the medalist at the Grand Valley State Laker Golf Invitational, helping OU to a third place finish among 11 teams. Maninnen shot 73-76--149 to win the tournament by three shots over teammate junior Todd Covert and Mike Holub of Ferris State University.

-Information compiled by Andy Glantzman, sports information director

Pioneer Spring-Summer sports calendar

Baseball

Wed., Apr. 17	Wayne State University	(2 p.m.)*
Sat., Apr. 20	at Saginaw Valley State University	(1 p.m.)*
Sun., Apr. 21	at Saginaw Valley State University	(1 p.m.)*
Wed., Apr. 24	at Michigan State University	(3 p.m.)
Sat., Apr. 27	at Mercyhurst College	(1 p.m.)*
Sun., Apr. 28	at Mercyhurst College	(1 p.m.)*
Thur., May 2	Siena Heights College	(1 p.m.)
Sat., May 4	at Ashland University	(1 p.m.)*
Sun., May 5	at Ashland University	(1 p.m.)*
Tue., May 7	Toledo State University	(3 p.m.)
Wed., May 8	Wayne State University	(1 p.m.)*

Golf

Fri.-Sat., Apr. 19-20	at Tri-State Invitational
Sun.-Mon., Apr. 21-22	at NCAA District IV Tournament
Fri.-Sat., Apr. 26-27	at Bay Valley Invitational
Sun.-Mon., Apr. 28-29	Pioneer Invitational
Fri., May 3	at Wayne State Invitational
Mon.-Wed., May 6-8	at NCAA Championship Qualifier
Sat.-Sun., May 11-12	at Ferris State Invitational
Thur.-Fri., May 16-17	at GLIAC Championship



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HOME BOYS: Junior Jason Paul dons his white uniform for a home game at the Lepley baseball diamond.

Watch the Pioneers battle Wayne State at 2 p.m. today behind Lepley

Yale

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received the Hermann J. Wiegand award, a \$1000 scholarship given to promising new Yale students studying German for their first year.

According to Driscoll, she applied like any other graduate student would to Yale. She filled out the application and the financial aid forms which asked for information on "everyone but my neighbor," Driscoll said.

"I couldn't have afforded Yale without this, I figured it out and it would have set me back \$100,000 for those five years," Driscoll said.

Driscoll completed her stay at OU in December when she graduated with bachelor degrees in both German language and literature and French language and literature.

She started at OU in the middle of her sophomore year, after attending Western Michigan University for a year and spending the first semester of her sophomore year in France.

Starting at OU, Driscoll planned on focusing on French, however, she took a German class because it fit into her schedule. That first class changed her plans.

The modern language department was instrumental, according to Driscoll, in the success she has experienced so far.

Driscoll got involved with a program the department set up through a contract with ITT Automotive.

Through the contract, upper level German language students are selected to teach German to ITT engineers before they are sent overseas. Driscoll also co-authored a manual for these ITT engineers to use while they are in Germany.

The manual contains information on what to do during an emergency and common phrases to help foreigners get by while they're in Germany.

"The whole Modern Language Department at OU is great, the professors take time to call, they're interested and make you excited and motivated about what you're doing," Driscoll said, "I don't think I could've gotten this (scholar-

ship) without the OU Modern Language Department, they make a real difference."

Driscoll also attributes her achievements to help she has received from Chair/Professor German Modern Languages and Literatures, Renate Gerulaitis.

"I owe her more than anything, she's helped me out with a lot," Driscoll said.

Gerulaitis sparked interest in Driscoll to get involved in a program to spend her junior year in Freiburg, Germany, a program she thinks was instrumental in receiving the scholarship.

"It makes a huge difference when you can show willingness to go overseas," Driscoll said.

Gerulaitis and the modern language department are equally impressed with Driscoll.

"You would have to talk to Jennifer for a very long time before you could recognize she is not a native speaker, we are enormously impressed by her," Gerulaitis said, "she is a very serious person about her goals, but she is also a very fun person with a wonderful personality, this combination of seriousness and friendliness make her a spe-

cial person, Yale is fortunate to have her."

Driscoll ventured to Yale March 30 for a weekend German conference where she found nice people in a nice place to live.

"I was nervous before I went, I figured people at an Ivy League school are arrogant," Driscoll said, "It was reassuring to go there, everyone was really nice, I was so thrilled."

Driscoll begins the five year doctorate program August 15, where for two years she will be taking classes. The summer after her second year, Yale will pay for her to spend the summer in Germany. Her third and fourth year will be spent teaching undergraduate Yale students the German language and the fifth year of the program will be dissertation.

When Driscoll completes the next five years she will not only have the letters "Dr." in front of her name, but will also be able to achieve her ultimate goal of becoming a professor.

"It's a great feeling they really want me here(Yale), they're willing to invest in my success," Driscoll said, "It's exciting."

Honors

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the second largest benefactor after the Wilson's themselves," said Swanson.

Swanson and Larson were close friends for 25 years. They knew each other through St. John Mercy Hospital where

Larson was a physician and Swanson served on the Hospital Board.

According to Murphy, the rededication in Larson's memory was, "To thank him for his huge request."

Remarks were made at the groundbreaking by Interim President Gary Russi as well as Board of Trustees Chair David

Fischer and OU Foundation Chair Louis Ross.

According to Murphy, however, Honors College Senior Christy Hicks stole the show. "She was right on. She spoke with eloquence and confidence and people must have thought, 'My God if that's what we're producing we must be doing something right,'" said Murphy.

Murphy felt that the groundbreaking and rededication also helped secure what OU is about.

"One of the early graduates of OU said that OU was founded to be the Honors College of MSU. So the Honors College is something which has been important to OU from the beginning," he said.

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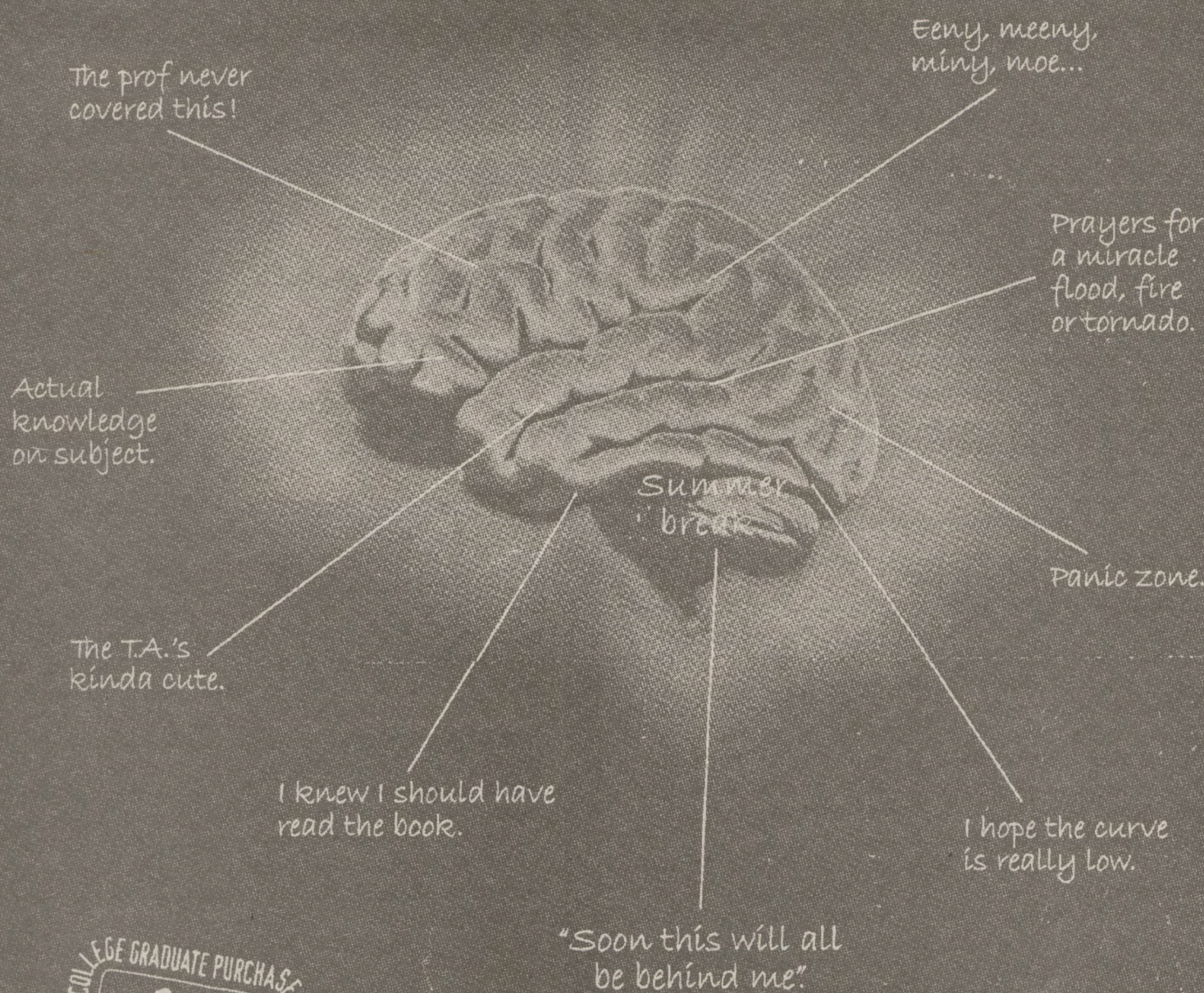
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Peace

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Michalak with the U.S perspective.

Gilroy estimates between 60-75 people attended the seminar, with the majority being corporate executives.

"The Director of Government Affairs from GM called me to ask if he could come," Gilroy said. "That is a loud signal... things like this make OU very visible as a place where significant things happen."

Student attendance at the seminar was low due to the length of the seminar and insufficient publicity on campus, Gilroy said.

"We need to work on student involvement... this is history in the making, and we can do it better if we get more OU students involved," Gilroy said.

The seminar, as well as the Woodcock East Asia Reading Room, located on the fourth floor in Kresge Library, are named to recognize and honor Ambassador

Leonard Woodcock who was appointed in 1979 as the first U.S. Ambassador to the People's Republic of China. Woodcock also served as president of the United Auto Workers from 1970-1977.

"The reason that this room was named to Leonard Woodcock is to recognize his

vision of understanding between peoples and nations. Woodcock remains the most respected U.S. diplomat in China," Gilroy said.

The seminar was sponsored this year by Woodcock East Asia Reading Room-Center for International Programs, College of Arts and Sciences, School of Business Administration, S.E. Michigan China Network, Detroit College of Law and law firm Harness, Dickie and Pierce.

The Woodcock East Asia Reading Room Committee formed in 1988 to expand the Asian collection at OU and create a place for students as well as staff to go and study and read about East Asian countries such as China, Japan, Taiwan and Korea.

The room was dedicated in 1990 and since then the committee has purchased \$5,000 in books about Asia for Kresge Library and sponsored a student from China, all funded through donations to the committee, according to Gilroy.

Additional efforts are being made to "internationalize" OU. Gilroy will pack his bags this summer and head out to Beijing, China. OU is sending him to meet with the Ministry of Education and Public Safety Ministry to discuss possible exchange programs for OU.

"All this supports the mission of the university; community outreach, public service, internationalism and excellence, it all just fits," Gilroy said.

This is last issue for Winter '96

Have a safe and happy summer!



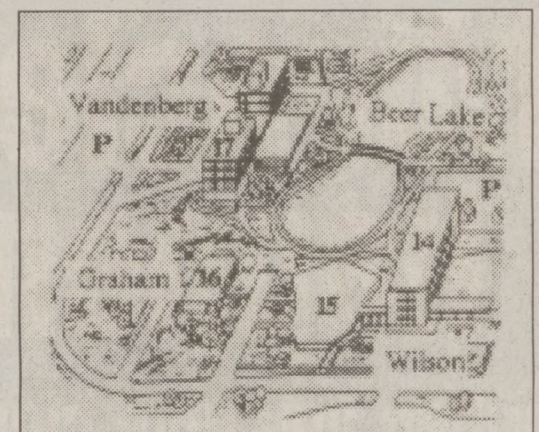
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GHC will be closed the week of August 19, and August 26, 27, 30 and September 2

Search

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with deans, faculty and staff," Russi said. "Should my appointment as president be affirmed in June, a decision concerning the vice president for Academic Affairs position will follow and be announced."

Many OU community members who felt the Board acted rashly last week in appointing Russi president, without a national search or any internal consultation, expect more from future appointments.

"I'm sorry the Board acted so quickly without input from the faculty," said Associate Professor of English Mary Papazian. "I would like to see a true search for the vice president of Academic Affairs."

Associate Professor of Nursing Frances Jackson agrees.

"I certainly hope there will be a (Academic Affairs vice presidential) search," Jackson said. "One of the concerns I have as an African American faculty member is that none of our vice presidents are non-white. We've

hired six, and they're all white and that in itself is not bad, but there were qualified minority candidates in all those searches."

However, Jackson expects that if a minority were hired to the position, it might only be for show.

"If they did find a minority to come here, I'm not sure that I would support that because of who is surrounding him," she said. "If the appointment of the president reflects the true commitment of the Board to diversity why should we sacrifice a brother to come here."

"I don't know what Gary Russi has done that he's so well protected. He doesn't have to be accountable," Jackson continued.

Russi was named vice president of Academic Affairs in April 1993 and served that role until Packard's resignation in January 1995. He assumed the interim President role immediately after but retained the VPAA title until fall. William Connellan was named VP for Academic Administration assuming some of Russi's VPAA portfolio this past fall.

Profs Spend Most of Their Time Teaching, Study Says

By College Press Service

WASHINGTON-Between grading papers, preparing courses, the majority of college faculty members spend more time on teaching activities than any other task.

That's according to a new study by the American Council on Education (ACE), which states that full-time instructors reported spending three-fifths, or 61 percent, of their time on teaching activities.

In many states, higher education institutions have come under fire for emphasizing research at the expense of teaching. But the report found even at research universities, professors reported spending nearly half of their time in activities that supported student instruction.

Here's the breakdown:

*Faculty members at two-year colleges, on average, spent almost three-fourths of their time, or 72 percent, on teaching activities. Only four percent of their time was spent at research.

*Instructors at four-year liberal arts institutions devoted,

on average, 65 percent of their time on teaching and nine percent on research.

*By comparison, faculty members at four-year research or doctoral universities spent less time on teaching (46 percent and 53 percent, respectively) and more time on research (29 percent and 22 percent).

Depending on their rank, tenure, status and gender, teaching time also varied among faculty members.

Generally, at four-year institutions, instructors who held higher ranks devoted a smaller share of their time to teaching activities. Female faculty members also spent a slightly larger share of their time to teaching than did their male counterparts.

The reports used data from the fall of 1992, the most recent period of which figures were available. The report data derived from the 1993 National Study of Postsecondary Faculty, conducted by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics.

CIPO This Week!

We hope you enjoyed the 1995 - 1996 year.

Student Organization Recognition Night

The organizations which were recognized at the Student Organization Recognition night were:

Organization of the Year: * ABS' primary focus is social programming; however, this past year they offered programs and activities that were educational, cultural, spiritual and recreational in nature. ABS sponsored or co-sponsored the following events: Martin Luther King, Jr., March and Reception; Unity Day; Dances; Halloween/Masque Ball (for the kids in family housing); Pre-Kwanza Celebration; Annual Talent Show; Keeper of the Dream Banquet (host/hostesses/coat check); 2nd Annual African-American Women and Men Conference; Annual Step Show; Annual Scholarship Ball; and weekly meetings. ABS collected food, clothing and money for the Pontiac Rescue Mission and the Lighthouse.

Advisor of the Year: Glenn, McIntosh. Director, Office of Equity, was honored as ABS' Advisor. This award is given to the advisor who has truly made a significant contribution with their time, support, and guidance. To quote the nomination form, "Mr. McIntosh goes above and beyond the call of duty. He is more to ABS than an advisor. He is our mentor, our friend, and our support system. Glenn dedicates his time to ABS no matter what else he has to do. He is such a well managed person that he always finds time for ABS."

Below is a brief summary of the other award recipients:

Most Innovative Program Awards:

Academic / Educational: Golden Key National Honor Society - Outstanding Teacher Program and President For A Day; Society of Automotive Engineers - Detroit International Auto Show.

Sports / Recreation: Sigma Pi Fraternity for the 1995 Pig Roast.

Cultural / Religious / Political: Association of Black Students - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. March & Reception; and The Chinese Friendship Association - Chinese Night, Chinese Festival, and Chinese New Year.

Entertainment / Performance: Coalition of Applied Musicians.

Most Original Publicity / Promotion Award: Sigma Pi Fraternity - 1995 Pig Roast.

Diversity/Multicultural Programming: International Student Organization - International Night 1996; Indian Association - Indian Cultural Nights; and Le Club Francais - Parlez Francais.

Most Original/Programming Award: Sigma Pi - 1995 Pig Roast.

Cooperative Programming Award: Association of Black Students, Residence Hall Council & University Student Congress - Martin Luther King Jr's Candlelight Vigil; and Alpha Kappa Psi and the Society for Human Resource Management - Business Career Fair.

Best Outstanding Traditional Event: Meadow Brook Ball Committee - 1996 Meadow Brook Ball

Greek Academic Excellence: Highest overall GPA for 95/96: Alpha Kappa Sigma Sorority; Alpha Kappa Psi Fraternity; Theta Tau Fraternity; Sigma Pi Fraternity.

Most Improved GPA for 95/96: Alpha Kappa Sigma Sorority & Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity

Gregory R. Marrs Memorial Awards:

Campus Leadership: Angelo Loria of Theta Chi Fraternity; Tamara Bond of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Campus Service: Valentia Djokaj of Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority.

Community Service Awards: Theta Chi Fraternity.

Award for Most Outstanding Program on Alcohol/Substance Abuse: Theta Chi Fraternity and Alpha Delta Pi Sorority.

Link Awards presented to Outstanding Organization Advisers:

Liz Barclay--Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM); Brian Goslin---Fitness & Weight Lifting Club; Stacey Hahn---Le Club Francais; David Jaymes---Le Club Francais; Michael Polis---The Engineer Societies; Sister Mary Bodde---CARE; Bob Wiggins---Pep Band of OU; Craig Ashly---National Society of Black Engineers; Professors Sidaway, Dillon, Theisen, & Pelfrey---OASIS

Most Promising New Organization Award: O.You Club

Campus Service Award: Society of Automotive Engineers for the Detroit International Auto Show

Community Service & Philanthropy Award: National Society of Black Engineers for volunteering to teach "physics of toys" at Cranbrook Institute of Science; Participation in the Oakland County "Walk for Warmth"; & financially supported a Detroit middle school's efforts to obtain new science books

Opportunity Awards: Society of Human Resource Management; Financial Management Association; Association of Black Students; American Marketing Association; and Le Club Francais.

Quote of the Week

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Bob Hope

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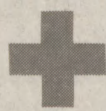


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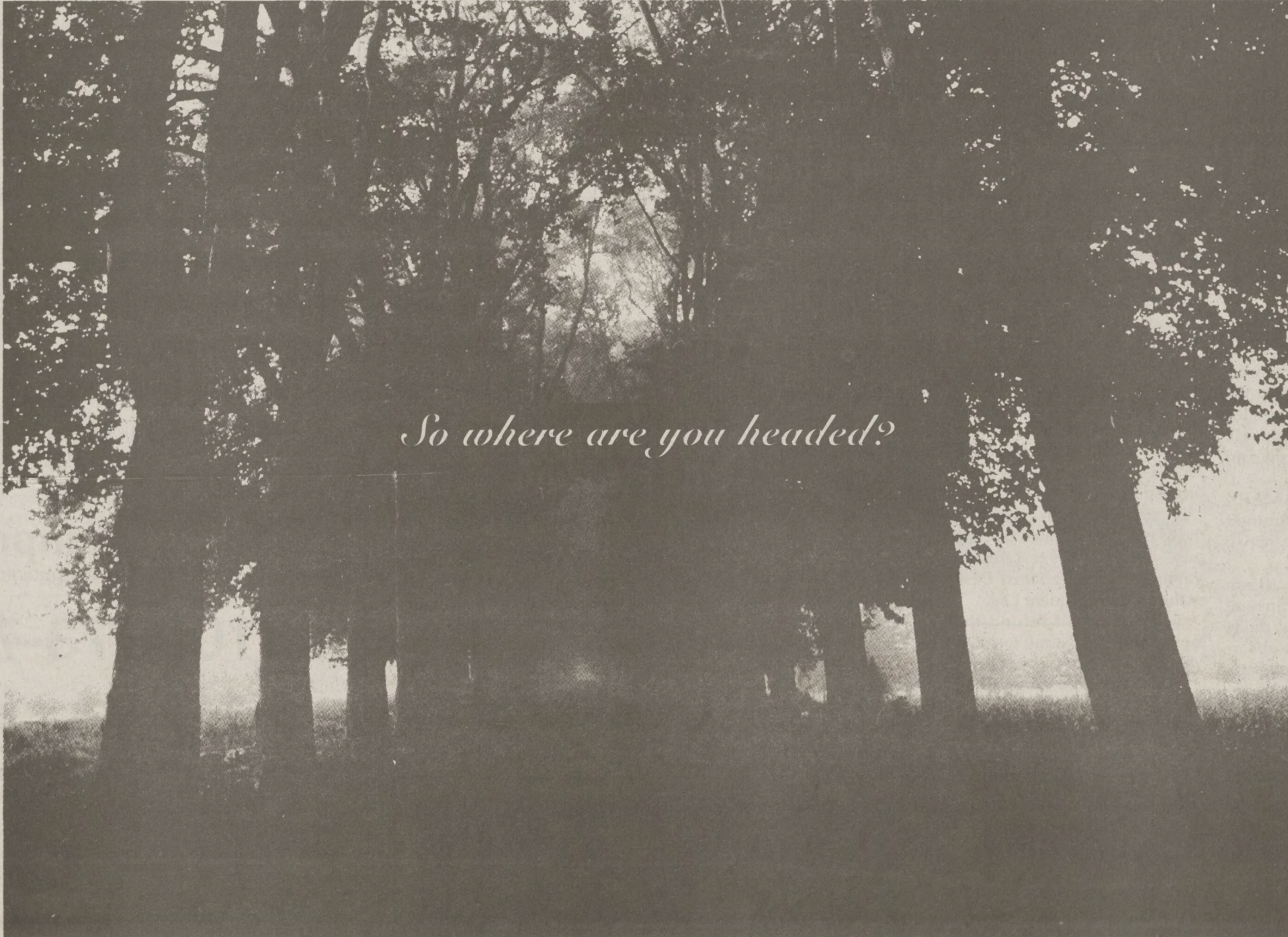
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Collection

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the fall semester but in the winter they sort of lagged behind."

However, Pletz feels that the collection is by no means finished. "I want to keep it up but it's really a matter of remembering to get something. Things just get so hectic when they're here."

Even when someone does remember sometimes the best efforts don't come through.

When SLLB's most recent speaker Barry Williams, the original Greg Brady on "The Brady Bunch", was here Pletz was determined to get a utensil that he had used to eat with at

their dinner at Mountain Jacks. "Unfortunately they had cleared everything off of our table before I could grab it," she said.

Pletz's most treasured item is a spoon which had been used by Bertice Berry, comedian and talk show host, when she was here last fall for WOCOU.

All of the artifacts are stored in a large cardboard box labeled, "Diana's collection" in the SPB office. Someday, however they hope to have a promotional table with the artifacts on them. They plan to set up the table at orientation to get incoming students interested in SPB.

Paul Franklin, coordinator of Campus Information, Programs and Organizations has a similar plan with his own collection of autographed books which he

has collected over the years at OU.

The collection, which consists of approximately 30 books, fills the top shelf in Franklin's office.

"Someday I hope to have a bookcase showcasing all of the books where everyone can see them," he said.

Franklin hopes that if plans to renovate the Oakland Center ever go into effect this will be possible. Ideally he would display the books near the corresponding portraits in the SLLB gallery.

Franklin does wonder what he'll do with Frank Abagnale's book. The con-artist is the only lecturer not to have a portrait in the gallery. This is because Abagnale supplied his own posters and when it came time to have the plaque made all of

the posters were gone.

Franklin feels it is one of the most interesting books he has and is sure it will find its place. His favorite book of all is the one from former President Jimmy Carter.

The books sometimes contain mere signatures, such as Carter's, but often contain a personalized message like Susan Faludi's "Thanks for the opportunity to be heard"

SPB's collection may not be as distinguished as Franklin's but it's definitely as unique.

As Franklin's collection grows he hopes it will fill up all of the shelves in his office.

Hopefully one day SPB's collection can overflow it's box and have a shelf of its own.

Vending

Continued from page 16

Oftentimes students at OU stop at a vending machine to grab a bite to munch, or to fulfill hunger pains. But, when the large machines refuse to spit the request out, students walk away, silent, frustrated and angry.

Bob Kryger, at ARAMARK Refreshment Service admitted that "There is an average of two malfunctions per day." According to Kryger, these problems are often because of food sticking on spindles, fluids are sold out, change is out or there is a circuit board problem.

"We come out every week-day to refill the machines. If

there is a problem it takes us a only couple of hours before we are out to fix it," said Kryger.

When students walk away, because the machine broke or jammed, the same problem will happen to the next student.

ARAMARK has had a vending machine contract with OU since April of 1979. They admit the machines can break down mechanically, but receiving a refund on lost money is not a problem.

If money is lost in any one of the 85 machines located on campus, stop at Kresge Library, Vandenberg Receptionist Desk or the Office of Student Life.

The office will refund the money and make a call to ARAMARK and report the problem.

"There is an 800 number you can call to report a problem or you can call the company's

main line," said Kryger. "The numbers are posted on the machines. They are 1-800-245-9029 or (313)271-1860."

ARAMARK's long standing contract may be due to the fact that they state if a student requests anything that can be packaged and sold in a vending machine, they will locate it. Kryger stated he likes to offer a selection for everyone.

Making a suggestion isn't very hard either.

The only drawback, it takes the conscious effort to spend 2 minutes on a phone, or relaying a request to Office of Student Life.

This really isn't much time, and maybe something interesting will end up in the vending machines.

It's also better to complain to someone who can actually make

a change rather than the group of friends who sit around in class.

What harm could come from voicing an opinion to get something done?

It may actually make life easier.

For one, it could relieve one small inconvenience from an already overwhelmed college career.

Second, this is one way to learn how to communicate to get things out of life and let people know that something should be changed.

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UNC Students Demonstrate Against Anti-Semitic Graffiti

By College Press Service

CHAPEL HILL, N.C.- After swastikas were discovered scrawled on the pages of about 40 books at a University of North Carolina library, the campus leaders rallied to fight against bigotry.

At a March 22 anti-semitism demonstration, student government members collected nearly 300 signatures on a petition that asks the university to develop a policy on hate crimes by early April.

"The swastika is a symbol of pure hatred and bigotry," student-body president-elect Aaron Nelson said at a rally. "Ignorance leads to hatred."

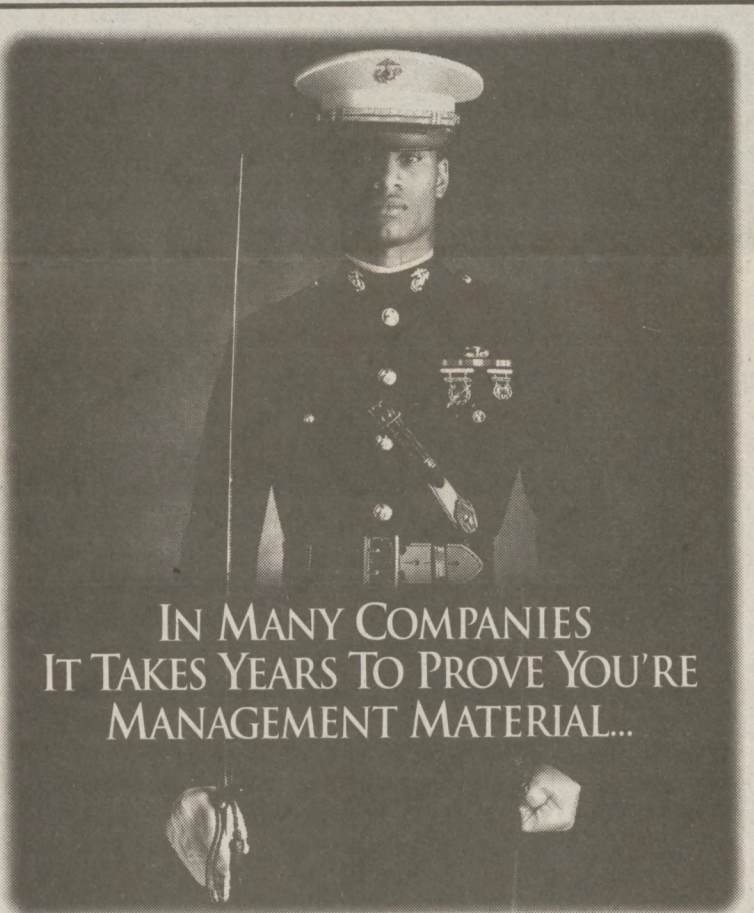
Nelson said the proposed policy would not limit free expression on campus. "We think the university is a place where everybody has the right to express their opinion," he

said. "We worry, however, that hate speech creates an environment for hate crimes."

Several professors and the director of Hillel, the campus Jewish organization, signed the petition, as did Fred Schroeder, dean of students. "My belief and hope is that this is an action by an uncouth, perhaps uneducated, individual with little concept of what the symbol means," Schroeder told the Daily Tar Heel.

The library books, discovered by a senior student in late March, were also defaced with Ku Klux Klan symbols and the words "sin Hill." Library officials have removed the vandalized books from the shelves and plan to shave the symbols off or block them with a marker.

University police are investigating the incident.



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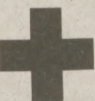
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I really have to say that I have enjoyed cooking for you and along with that, you showed me that you have enjoyed having me as your chef by the kind words, wonderful suggestions also your nice comments. I will never ever forget that. Especially those patrons from the Oakland Room Buffet. I am going to truly miss each and every one of you. I feel that I have become a part of a family here with you. Even though I have been promoted to a chef manager position at Cranbrook Institute of Art, I will never forget the smiley faces, kind words, and wonderful relationships that we have established here.

With love always Don't forget the words of the day: "Love is everything."

Chef Richard

P.S. I would especially like to thank the Payroll Department, Scheduling Office, Engineering Staff, Joy Williams, ERD, the professors on campus and all other O.U. Departments, for putting up with me for this length of time.

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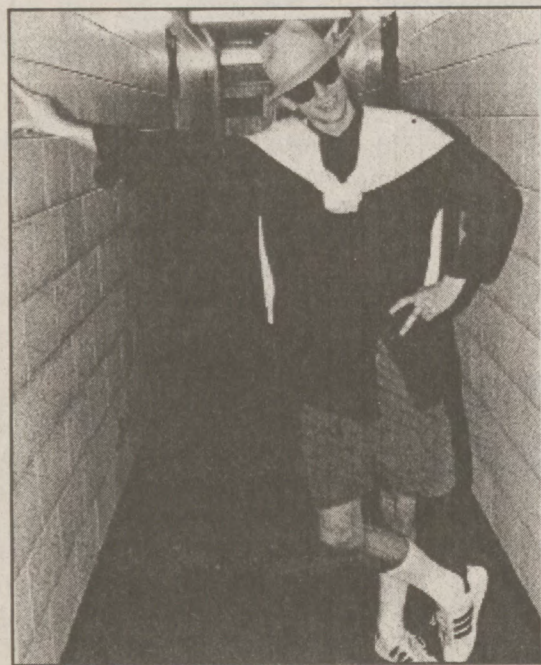
Failing at Fashion

Personal choice or mistake of generation

By SUE YAX
Features Editor

Fashion faux pas exist in every society, some of them are very common. Others may be a matter of personal taste, but nonetheless they exist around every corner turned.

What mother hasn't warned her child about committing one of the worst deadly faux pas?



Post Photos / Patty Young

DRESSED TO KILL: This look is such a no-no. Jude Purcell, shows what not to do in order to make a good lasting impression on people.

communications.

"My sister is getting married and my dad has already said he will be standing at the door and anyone wearing white socks with dress shoes will be out," joked Discenna.

Another fashion mistake many people mentioned as a major taboo was wearing socks with sandals and also wearing dress socks with shorts.

"There is just something wrong with a person who wears socks with sandals," said Jeff Carlson, junior communication.

Working up in the fashion faux pas ensemble the next mistake comes in the form of pants.

"Baggy pants are out, everything that is showing for spring and summer is the flat front look and definitely tapered," said Tracy, manager of Parvenue in Meadow Brook Mall.

No, not the one about wearing clean underwear but wearing white shoes before Memorial Day.

Jeff Zinger summed it up when he said, "I hate seeing people wear white shoes, before Memorial Day. Everyone knows it's just wrong."

While on the subject of shoes, many people have strong feelings on what they like to see on people's feet.

"I know some of them are supposed to be fashionable, but I hate those big ole' chunky heels that people wear," said Angelo Loria. "I just hate the way that they look."

"Dark shoes with white socks is what I don't like or the opposite, white socks with dress shoes," said Tom Discenna, special lecturer in

Faux pas of the 90's

"Designers would like us to think that things like bell bottoms and hip huggers really are in, but they aren't," said Tracy. "No one really wants to buy them, they are definitely a faux pas."

Women take note, Tracy also said that long shorts are out this summer for women. While men still get the luxury of covering up more of their bodies, she claims short skirts and shorts are the new in thing for women this season.

Many people get irate when it comes to things that bother them about the way other people dress, take for example, "People who don't zip up the pant legs on their jeans, why have zippers if your not going to use them?" asked Susan Baker, junior psychology.

"Another one I hate is pant legs stuck in socks, or how about pant legs tucked inside of cowboy boots. It's just nasty, why don't these people pay attention?" laughed Baker.

Men also have definite ideas about what bothers them when it comes to faux pas.

"Acid wash jeans, especially if they are too tight," said Lee McPherson, senior journalism. "Also, people who still peg their pants, I just don't understand that."

"I hate anything tight," said Carlson. "With the exception of underwear and socks."

A resounding faux pas with people of both sexes was men who unbutton their shirts to let their chest hair (if they have any) spill out trying to attract women.

"I hate those Rico Suave type of guys, what are they trying to prove?" Carlson asked dumfounded.

Many people may see themselves in these faux pas, don't fret at some point in many people's lives they could have been the poster child for fashion faux pas.

Remember those lovely days of parachute pants and who could forget the eighties nightmare leg warmers.

It doesn't matter, what is in now will be out in a few months and looking back at the fashions worn, many chuckles will be heard.

It's just when two years after a trend has passed and people are still wearing the clothes that they need to take a good look and wonder, if they are a little behind the times and why people are staring at them.



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SHOWING OFF THE SHORT SUPPLY OF BOOKS: Suzanne Frankie, shows some of the books OU does have to offer.

What's lacking in library

By CHRISTY GROVE
Special Writer

It's the end of the semester and teachers are demanding final research papers. Emphasis on the research.

Faced with a ritual dilemma the library is sought out for help. But Kresge Library never seems to have the books needed.

While Kresge Library has total funding of \$1,028,892 students are still having problems find-assignments.

"We are a relatively young library, and it takes years and years to build a huge collection like Wayne State," said Suzanne Frankie, Library Dean.

Frankie has been the Dean since 1983, and has witnessed the problems that come with underfunding.

"By the time we get the funds for the books many are out of print," said Frankie.

The library is also faced with the problem of the rate of inflation on books and journals. Subscriptions for these are usually at a high rate of 10 to 15 %. "By the time we pay for these we lose ground," said Frankie.

Gary Russi, Interim President, recently held a meeting with student representatives to hear their views on matters which concern OU.

Russi asked students what their priorities would be if the school had extra money.

Improving the library was high on the list for many students.

"I think that students' voices talking to the administration is very important to get things done," said Frankie.

Students who are concerned about the lack of materials can show their interest by taking action.

The first step is to attend a Library Council meeting, which are held two times a year during the Fall and Winter semesters.

Another option for students in turmoil is to fill out a comment and suggestion form.

It may only take a second but it could prove helpful to future academic studies.

However, there is no guarantee that the books will be ordered, but at least a voice of opinion on the lack of books at Kresge Library can be heard.

Interested in filling out such a form? They are located on the second floor of the library.

Still in desperate need, and Kresge Library just doesn't have the needed books?

The option is still there to visit a library that has more of a selection, for instance, Wayne State's Kresge Library.

The Alumni Association at Wayne State donated a computer with access to the Call system. Ironically, the system is out of order. "The system has been down for over a year. We've tried everything to get it fixed," said Interlibrary Loan employee, Diane Boving.

No one at OU should be forced to commute to another library when OU has the facilities. Kresge library has the right look, now it needs the right books.

Feet faux pas Hall of Shame



High heels with jeans



Pegging pants



Socks with sandals



Jeans tucked in boots

Memories of past OU lecturers

SPB collection of trinkets showcases the odd things that people have left at OU

By HEIDI HEDQUIST
Assistant Features Editor

An empty Snapple® bottle, a ragged napkin, a dirty water glass. To most people these items would be nothing more than rubbish, but to the members of OU's Student Program Board they are important memorabilia from famous visitors to OU.

Started by SPB Committee Chair Diana Pletz, the collection of strange artifacts has been growing throughout the year.

"It all started when I took Judd Winick to the airport and he'd left his empty Snapple® bottle in the back of my car," said Pletz. Winick, a former cast member of MTV's "The Real World III" spoke to the OU community in Sept. 1995.

"It was strange because you expect professionalism from these people. Judd left junk all over the office and my car. So Dawn (Caraci) and I decided to collect

articles that people leave," she said.

Winick's Snapple® flavor of choice had been diet lemon iced tea.

Also included in the collection is a napkin which Olympic Diver Greg Louganis had used to wrap up the remaining crumbs of a donut.

"When Greg Louganis was signing autographs he crumbled up the napkin and handed it to one of our members that was doing crowd control and they kept it," said Pletz. Pletz said that they did throw away the crumbs.

Most of the items are from lecturers brought to OU by the Student Life Lecture Board but there are a few things from performers that SPB themselves sponsored. One of these items is a small bead which fell off of a drum of one of the dancers in the Gambian dance troupe.

Although the members of SPB have tried to get a trinket from all of the sponsored visitors they have missed a few.

Kelly Schehr, SPB chairperson said, "They did really well at keeping it up in

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Vending machines losing proposition

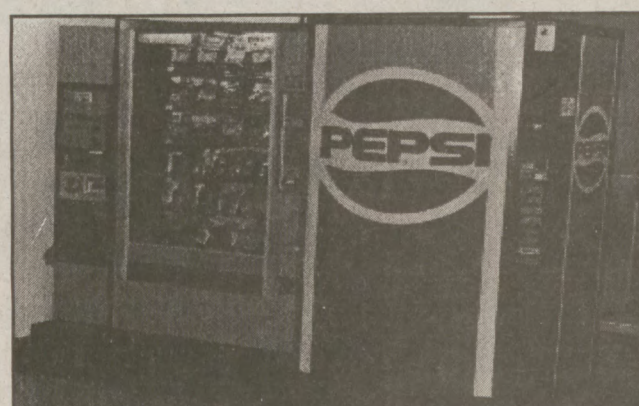
By KIMBERLY REEB
Special Writer

Most people at one time or another have scrounged in their pocket for a bit of change to drop in a vending machine.

Often even if change is found, the desired selection is not what is received.

Yet people still invest money into mechanical food dispensers.

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EATING OUR MONEY AND GETTING NOTHING IN RETURN: Just a few of the vending machines on campus accused of stealing money from innocent patrons.