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TEN OAKLAND GRADUATES ON ACTIVE DUTY

ALUMNI RELATIONS OFFICE RECEIVES FIRST HAND REPORTS FROM VIET NAM

Ten Oakland University graduates are now on active duty and have reported their addresses to the Alumni Relations Office. Others who may be in service are urged to keep the Alumni Office posted so that addresses can be passed along to their friends through the News.

Dick Stier '63 is the first to write from Viet Nam. He's the assistant executive officer of a 155mm howitzer battery of the Third Marine Division. The battery is emplaced at the end of the jet air strip at Chu Lai.

"Our primary job is to protect the strip," Dick writes. "We can shoot a 94 lb. projectile about 9½ miles. Upon impact, the round breaks into approximately 30,000 pieces and has a fatal bursting radius of 25 meters....We only fire at night at places we think the VC might be, but have never fired on a known target.

"This entire area that we occupy is like a desert. We have done a lot of work trying to make ourselves comfortable. We live in tents, eat hot food, and sweat continuously. The heat sometimes is unbelievably high.

"One thing that is interesting to watch is the reaction of the men when they read or hear about a demonstration at home against the war. They know why they are here and can't understand the demonstrations--neither can I."

The above excerpts were taken from a letter Dick wrote in early September. They are reprinted, with Dick's permission, for what they are: the impressions of one serviceman, a lieutenant whom many of you knew as a student.

In a later letter in October Dick said that the demonstrations are hardly mentioned in his unit anymore. Uppermost in their thoughts at the time of his second letter was the eye witness report of a lance corporal from his unit who'd entered a village the VC had just left. The corporal found several bodies of children shot in their beds plus the still smouldering bodies of two babies who'd been set on fire. "People's liberation army indeed!" Dick exclaimed.

With the thought that some of you might wish to write to former classmates now in service the list of known addresses of those currently on active duty is published on page six.

Happy Holidays 1965!

CAREERS DAY HELPS STUDENTS PREVIEW FUTURE

This year's undergraduates had an opportunity not given to their predecessors when the Placement Office sponsored the first Careers Day on December 1.

Called Careers '65, the program was keynoted by Joseph L. Hudson, Jr.,president of the J.L.Hudson Co. who chose the song theme "On A Clear Day You Can See Forever" for the title of his address.

Following Hudson's Gold Room speech at 1:15 p.m., students had a choice of eight panel discussions to attend at 2:15 and again at 4 p.m. The panels covered careers in (1) Business and Economics; (2) Government (3) Engineering and Science; (4) Communication Arts; (5) Human Welfare; (6) the Arts;(7) Education-elementary and secondary and (8) Education-college and university.

Among many outstanding panelists were U.S. Representative Martha W. Griffiths; Aaron Schreier, Project Director for Minoru Yamasaki & Associates for the World Trade Center in New York which will be higher than the Empire State Building; Frank Angelo,managing editor of the Detroit Free Press; Frazier Meade,a foreign service officer with the U.S. State Department and Francis M. Webster, Manager, Operations Research, Chrysler Corporation.

More than 400 students attended the Gold Room opening and panels registered participation by 500 students.

THE "FIRST LADY'S" 82ND BIRTHDAY

Celebration of Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson's 82nd birthday in October was such a star-studded series of events that the campus community will have a hard time topping it for her 83rd.

On her actual birthdate, October 19, she laid the cornerstone of Matilda R. Wilson Hall, the new classroom-office building to house part of the College of Arts and Sciences,the School of Education, admissions, placement, dean of students, language labs, a lecture hall seating more than 600 and a new University art gallery. In the cornerstone, according to Chancellor Varner,were sealed University catalogs, past issues of the Observer, a 1957 Pontiac Press announcing the opening of MSUO, the first annual report and"a copy of the sex survey made two years ago!"

Friday the 22nd, after a two hour delay caused by weather conditions for flying,Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey made a speech on education on campus. In his opening remarks he paid tribute to Oakland's "First Lady." The vice president had been scheduled to land at Meadow Brook and speak in the Baldwin Pavilion, but inclement weather forced rescheduling into a more mundane arrival by car and

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Pictures taken at Careers '65 show:

TOP LEFT: U. S. Representative Martha W. Griffiths enjoys a chat with Dr. Edward Heubel of Oakland's political science department.

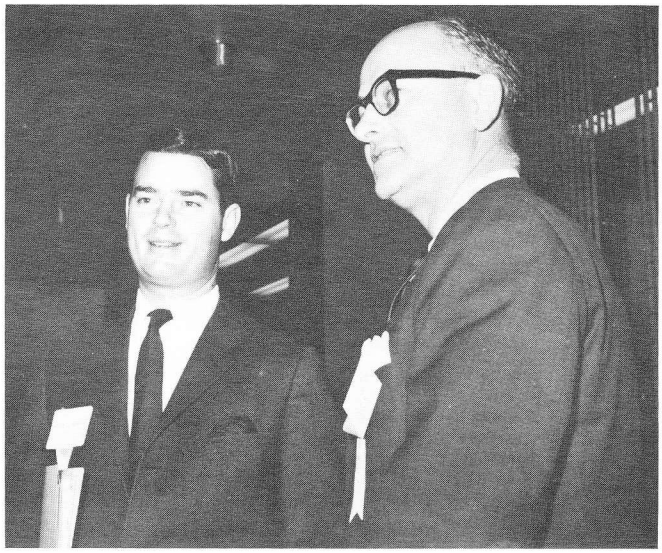
TOP RIGHT: Keynote speaker Joseph L. Hudson, Jr. was introduced by Chancellor D. B. Varner.

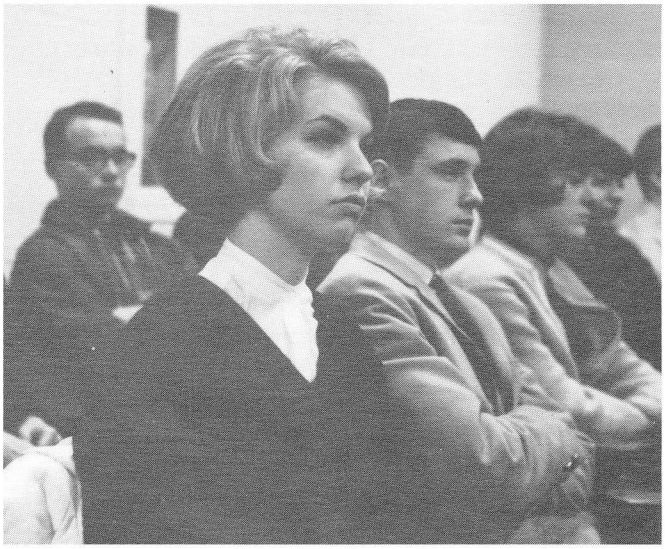
MIDDLE LEFT: Students listen to Hudson's views of careers and the future.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Maggie O'Reilly, business manager of the Oakland Observer and Gary Durst catch Frank Angelo,managing editor of the Detroit Free Press for a question and answer session after the Communications Arts panel.

LOWER LEFT: Dean of Students Thomas Dutton; Placement Director Dorothy Hope,who arranged the program; and Joseph L. Hudson, Jr. listen to Chancellor Varner.

LOWER RIGHT: The panel on careers in the arts included Margo L. Pautler of the Toledo Museum of Art,Dr. David DiChiera, moderator,Aaron Schreier of Minoru Yamasaki and Associates,Dr.Walter S.Collins; and Dr. Audley Grossman of the Detroit Institute of Arts.





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address at the Sports and Recreation Building.

The students took over the birthday festivities Friday evening with a concert by the Village Stompers and followed on Saturday night with the official Birthday Ball. This time cake-architect Ed Goodwin built a sugar and frosting model of the new 2.5 million dollar Matilda R. Wilson Hall.

NEWS OF THE ALUMNI

Fred Morrison '64 has returned from the University of Madrid where he completed graduate work in Spanish. "A wonderful city and a great experience," he says.

Patricia R. Lee '63 agrees with Fred's comments on Madrid (above). She's been traveling in Europe with her teenage daughter and returns to teaching history and journalism again.

Ray Raab '65 has entered University of Colorado Law School.

Another European traveler is Judy Madek '64 who has been on a six week tour of Europe and Eastern Mediterranean countries including Yugoslavia, Israel and the Greek Islands.

George Cotroneio '63 received his master's degree in psychology from the University of Wisconsin last June and is now in the Marketing Division of Xerox Corporation.

Dick Jackson '64 finished his M.B.A. degree at MSU and is working for American Oil Corp., Chicago, Ill. as a purchasing consultant.

Rosalie Clark'64 holds a graduate assistantship in art history at Wayne State University.

Keith Bateman'64 is one of four students admitted to a newly created Michigan House of Representatives fellowship program. He'll be a fulltime staff assistant in the House through next June. He holds a master's degree from the University of Chicago.

Harold Raupp '65 and Ed Windeler,Jr. '64 are in Ex-Cell-O Corporation's graduate training program.

Bill Shea '65 headed for Munich, Germany and the Bertha Institute this fall.

Peg Smith '65 is Assistant Personnel Director, William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak.

Craig Parr '65 is with General Motors Corp.

Socrates Souyias '65 is in the Quality Control Department, Ford Motor Co.

Dave St. Clair '65 goes to the University of California-Berkley this fall.

Wade Wilkison '65 enters graduate school at Harvard University this month.

Mark Wirth'65 attended a NASA summer session in physics and is starting his master's work at the University of Maryland.

Kay Cline '64 becomes another OU Californian. She'll be teaching in the Pacific Grove school system.

Carole Walton'64 is an Employment Interviewer for the Michigan Employment Security Commission.

Ilse Werzer '64 is a Systems Analyst, Michigan Bell Telephone Co.

Jim Wyzgoski '64 is with U.S. Rubber Co.

Rita Murphy '65 is a Computer Programmer Trainee with the J.L. Hudson Co.

Janet Lichvar Lorenzen '63 is in Daytona Beach, Florida where her husband Ed is working on the Apollo support project for General Electric. Janet is teaching at Daytona Beach High School.

James B. McGill, Jr. '64 is a Digital Computer Programmer at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

Chuck Patterson'64 married Katherine Lex last April. They are living in Royal Oak.

Jim Anderson'64 is with General Electric in Erie, Pa.

John Berquist '63 is training to be an airlines pilot and lives in Denver,Colo.

Larry Bailey '65 is in the TV Development Section of Zenith Radio Corp., Chicago. He was honored this past summer by Camp Oakland as the Camp's first college graduate.Camp Oakland accommodates children who would otherwise have no permanent home and Larry lived there from the time he was 11 until he entered Oakland University. He worked his way through OU with some assistance from the Camp. Camp Oakland is operated in cooperation with the Oakland County Juvenile Court and serves as a foster home for wards of the court.

Diana Haines'65 began work for a master's degree in library science at Simmons College this fall.

Kenneth N. Campbell '65 is in Operations Research with the U.S. Rubber Co.

William M. Haslock '63 is at GMC Truck and Coach Division as a Sales Engineer. He married Jeanne L.Holcombe last August.

Patricia Ferrell'63 received her master's in social work from the University of Michigan last May and is now a psychiatric social worker at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Battle Creek.

Edward Lorenzen '64 is taking advantage of a program in electrical engineering at General Electric which combines working for the company with graduate work offered by Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute.

David B.Lewis '65 is working on a M.B.A. at the University of Chicago.

Paul McGhee'63 has completed his master's work at Bucknell and will go on to Ohio State University for his Ph.D. He read his master's thesis at the APA Conference in October.

Eric Ellison '63 is now manager of the Troy National Bank, Troy, Mich.

Sondra Forsyth'64 is doing graduate work in Spanish at Harvard after some time spent with the New York Repertory Ballet.

Gary Bandy '65 and George Corbin '63 are both graduate students at Columbia University.

James Burns '65 is research assistant to an economist at General Motors Technical Center.

Frederick Clegg'65 is off to Germany for graduate work.

Joy Hetherington'65 is teaching in Bloomfield Hills.

Thomas Hill '65 is teaching mathematics in Racine, Wisconsin.

Christine Kales '65 and Ross Kales '65 are with the Peace Corps in the Phillipines.

Isaac Jones '65 is a caseworker for the Oakland County Social Welfare Department.

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STUDENT DRIVE FOR SENATE BILL 685

The most spirited student drive in Oakland University's history arose last month in student interest in overriding Governor Romney's veto of Senate Bill 685.

State Senate Bill 685 was a supplemental appropriations bill enacted by the legislature to provide $1.2 million for the additional enrollments accepted by a number of the state's smaller universities. It was vetoed by Lt. Gov. William Milliken, acting on behalf of Romney, because of its cost and because, according to Romney, it would set a precedent in which colleges could control appropriations through admissions. A Democratic attempt to override the veto failed at a special session December 9.

Though the legislature did not override the veto, the drive evoked more student interest and participation than nearly any other activity to date. Students collected 3,122 signatures on petitions; staged a Gold Room meeting with eight local legislators; and had Mrs. Matilda R. Wilson make the petition presentation to the legislators.

Present were representatives Robert J. Slingerland (D), Roy L. Spencer (R), William P. Hampton (R), William Hayward (R), Arthur J.Law (D) and state senators Sander M.Levin (D), Carol W.O'Brien (D), and Farrell Roberts (R).

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