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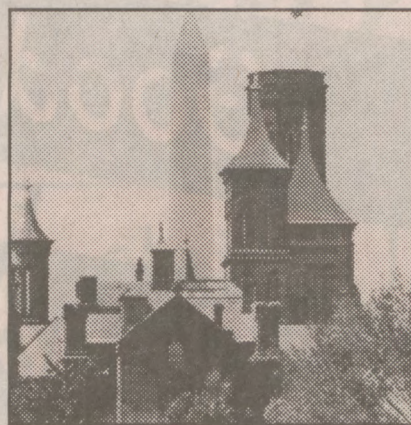
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Phone registration installed

By ROBERT CARR
Staff Writer

Seniors and graduate students at OU will finally be able to register from their easy chairs at home, according to Lawrence Bartalucci, registrar. The rest of the student body will have register the old fashioned way--standing in line in the Oakland Center.

Bartalucci said that touch-tone telephone early registration for the winter semester will begin on Oct. 30 and will last for three days. Regular early registration will begin Nov. 6, after some evaluation of the telephone system.

"Every student will receive a schedule of classes in the mail. We are hoping to start the mailing next Monday," Bartalucci said. "Eligible students will also receive in the mail a personal identification number that will allow access to the touch-tone system."

The \$89,000 system, which will feature registration, class schedule review and class changes, will not include financial information. Changed or closed classes will not be accessible yet by phone either. When a student punches in a number for a closed or changed class, he said the

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Petition For President

Covert attempts made to make Russi president

By ERICA BLAKE
Editor in Chief

A trial balloon sent aloft in early October to 44 faculty by an associate vice president of Student Affairs to gauge reaction to a petition drive to name Gary Russi president, burst when responses were largely negative.

Wilson in his e-mail letter to faculty said he was gathering opinions on the notion of circulating a petition attempting to bypass a presidential search and request that the Board of Trustees appoint current Interim President Gary Russi as president of OU.

Faculty who responded to the query on e-mail by Jack Wilson, did not, for the most part, speak against Russi's abilities, but endorsed the need for a formal process for the selection of OU's next president.

Copies of Wilson's e-mail request and faculties responses were received by the Post.

Wilson said that he randomly selected members of the faculty who have been long-time employees and asked their feelings regarding the presidential situation.

Wilson wrote in his e-mail correspondence dated Oct. 2, "I believe that Gary Russi is doing a good job and the Board of Trustees should appoint him without further delay. I am planning to start a petition addressed to the Board of Trustees asking them to name Russi president."

The suggestion, however, was met with mixed reactions. "There's been an extensive discussion of it via e-mail," said Norman Tepley, professor of Physics. "I think Mr. Wilson was responding to a certain amount of frustration and so decided, let's just get someone in there. My own feeling is that this would be a disadvantage to Gary Russi if he was to become president."

The presidential search was terminated on May 22 following Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Gene Schnelz's ruling that OU's board violated the state Open Meetings Act when it closed the first search committee meeting ejecting reporters who were present. The case is currently in the Michigan Court of Appeals. Since then, Vice President of Academic Affairs Russi, who was named interim president last January when then president Sandra Packard, was forced by the board to resign, has served as president.

"It's been a custom around this university to fill high positions by conducting a high profile search," Tepley said. "I think that the reaction to Mr. Wilson's proposed idea will be that if we don't follow that custom we will be compromising and that we will be having someone shoved down our throats."

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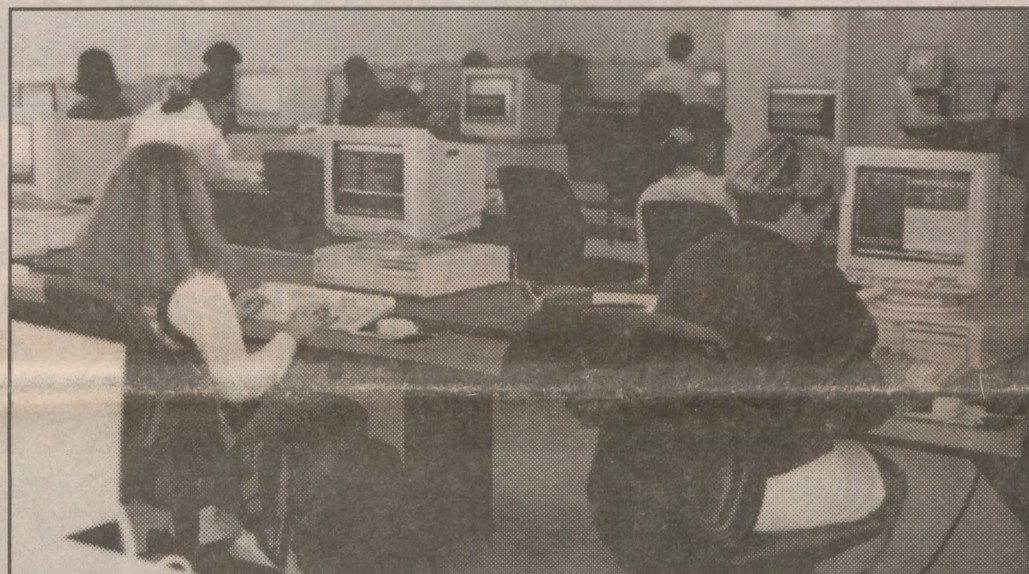
COURSE



FEES

Tricky Fee

More than half of a Board approved computer fee, meant to help diversify and increase OU's computer assets, has been being diluted into the university's general fund -- which doesn't solely fund computers.



Post Photo/Nelson May



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Paying fees: Students work off computers in a lab in the library (above) and Director of Academic Computing Services Gerard Joswiak (left) work off computers that, in part, are paid for with computer fees.

Computer fees scattered

By ADAM WOOLEY
Special Writer

In an effort to keep tuition costs down and maintain a high standard of education, OU has taken computer fee money intended by the board to be used for computer-related activities and reallocated half to the general fund.

The \$38 "course fee" is charged to students in the Schools of Engineering and Computer Science, Business Administration, Health Sciences and Nursing and students majoring in math, physics, chemistry in the College of Arts and Sciences. Students in specific courses within some majors, like Journalism, also pay a computer fee. The

fees are in addition to the general service fee, the activities fee, as well as tuition, and was originally intended, in a July 26, 1989 university Board of Trustees action, to "...support existing and new computing systems and other computer intensive specialized equipment."

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The dirt on the Mud Bowl

Theta Chi may have taken the trophy home following the past three Mud Bowls, but Sigma Alpha Epsilon still leads the series, 6-3-1.



Post Photo/Joe Pickering

MUD BOWL

Arch rival fraternities, Theta Chi and Sigma Alpha Epsilon met last Saturday to compete in the tenth annual Mud Bowl in Pontiac, where Theta Chi buried their opponents in the dirt.

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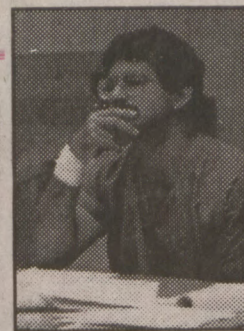
Lawyer argues Tranchida's rights violated

By ERICA BLAKE
Editor in Chief

Kenneth Tranchida, the man charged with murdering OU psychology major Tina Biggar, was bound over for trial on Friday after a two day preliminary hearing where Biggar's rumored employment at several escort services was confirmed in testimony.

Throughout the two day hearing, Michael Modelski, Tranchida's court appointed attorney, argued that Tranchida was not informed formally of his legal rights when first detained for questioning in the Biggar murder.

Additionally, Modelski questioned Biggar's



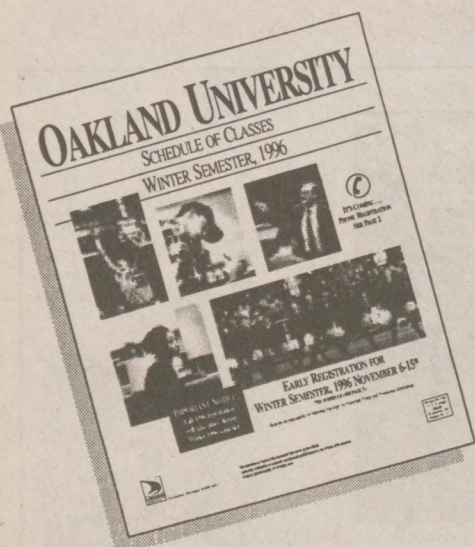
Ken Tranchida

father, William and her boyfriend, Todd Nurnberger, regarding the removal of a safe from Tranchida's apartment, the same safe Tranchida claims caused Biggar's death when she accidentally hit her head on it in a fall. Modelski, who says the safe is the key to his client's case, argued that the two tampered with evidence.

Tranchida admitted to police after his Sept. 26 arrest that Biggar had been killed after he had pushed her during an argument. He claims she fell and hit her head on the safe.

However, the Oakland County Medical Examiner said Biggar may have been strangled.

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Get a Jump on Winter Registration

Early Registration for Winter '96 runs Nov. 6-15 and Nov. 20-Dec. 6

Classes begin January 4



Look for your *Schedule of Classes* in the Mail

- The Winter Semester, 1996 *Schedule of Classes* is being mailed to all current Oakland University students. Look for your personal copy in the mail after Oct. 18.
- Early registration for Winter Semester, 1996 will be held Nov. 6-15 in the Oakland Center Crockery (by schedule, see page 3 of the *Schedule of Classes* for details).
- After Nov. 15, students may register and adjust their schedules Nov. 20 through Dec. 6 at the Registration Office, 100 O'Dowd Hall.



Phased-in Phone Registration begins

- If you are a **senior, second undergraduate degree or graduate student**, you are eligible to early register by phone Oct. 30-Nov. 1 for Winter Semester, 1996. Students in these categories should look for a special letter in the mail — including a personalized access code number and instruction packet.

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Campus News

Acute meningitis claims life of education student



Rachel Dalley

By JILL ROBINSON
Staff Writer

Using parts of Rachel Dalley's 1993 Valedictory speech to her classmates at Kimball High School as an inspirational closing to a young woman's life, Reverend and Edwin C. Hingelberg led a moving memorial service in honor of the OU junior who died last Tuesday of acute meningitis, an inflammation of the brain. She was 20.

Hingelberg, of the Big Beaver United

Methodist Church in Troy, spoke to more than 300 classmates, friends, family and co-workers of Dalley, telling them that Rachel would not want them to be morbid and mourn, but to move on with their lives. Reading a eulogy written by Rachel's mother Barbara, Hingelberg spoke of everything from Dalley's favorite color to her most personal goals, one of which was to become a teacher.

Dalley had completed her introduction to education requirement at Longfellow

Elementary in Pontiac as a field student in a class of second and third graders where she was affectionately known as "Miss Dilley-Dalley".

"I was amazed at how much my students remembered about her," said teacher Norma Kaminskas. "She was only here once a week, for a semester yet they remembered that Rachel taught them about the solar system and was good at the game 7-Up."

Kaminskas marveled at the impressions

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Sally Tato

Scribbling on the sidewalks

Altered chalkings. Not a new thing at OU, but definitely one that deserves a little recognition.

In case no one noticed, Oct. 11 was National Coming Out Day for gay and lesbians across the nation, and recognized on campus by GALA-the OU chapter Gay and Lesbian Alliance.

To help promote the day, among other things, GALA members utilized chalk and some of the sidewalk across campus to get their messages about equal rights and acceptance across to the OU community.

However, one or more individuals, who may not have agreed with what was written, chose to grab his/her own piece of chalk and alter what was already said on the sidewalks.

Everyone is entitled to their own opinions on the actions of others, but in the majority of situations, these opinions do not or should not affect the lives of others.

The mysterious "chalker" who took to the sidewalks last week must have disagreed.

For instead of having enough dignity to have an opinion, but have it remain just that, an opinion- the "chalker" chose to inflict his/her thoughts directly onto those of someone else.

And the mannerisms in which this person or persons chose to do their deed inflicted directly upon GALA member's right to free speech.

This is not to say that opinions cannot be voiced, after all that is what is being done now.

But there is a time and a place for everything.

Altering something that is already written just doesn't cut it.

Without promoting either side of this issue on campus, it's obvious that tensions exist between some gay and some heterosexual members of the university.

However, these issues could be clarified or more logically voiced in an open forum or strategic discussion, rather than with a piece of colored chalk and the scribbling of a couple of words to change the meaning of someone else's.

But perhaps those who altered the chalkings don't feel they can speak about their opinions comfortably in an open, peaceful forum.

If that is case, though, then perhaps they shouldn't be altering anything at all.

GALA members meant to convey what they felt were necessary messages to the OU community, and they did so openly.

If someone disagreed with their opinion, then he/she should have conveyed it in a form at least equivalent to that of GALA's.

Even independent chalkings would have been better than invading those that were already written- although they probably wouldn't have been looked at in any better light than the rewrites.

AP manual still under revision; employees uneasy

By IAN HOUSTON
Photo Editor

When the board of trustees approved some changes to the Administrative Professional system at the Oct. 5th meeting, some APs at the session were particularly active. Their manual, long under revision, is still not done.

An AP is an OU employee who holds a supervisory and management position and are also the only employment group at OU that is not unionized.

The manual sets the guidelines for employment contracts between an AP and the university. The latest version, after seven years of work and delays, is finally going to a labor attorney.

"It's kind of the bible that the administration uses, so it's important that it is accurate," said Barbara Gaves,



Paul Bissonnette

payroll manager and former president of the AP Association. The first requests made by the AP Association to review the manual, initially released in 1977, were in 1988, said Gaves.

The first three requests were to look at specific areas of the manual including layoff, grievance, and continuing contract procedures. According to Gaves, the AP Association then decided that the entire manual should be reviewed. "Experience had told us that some of the things were just too general," said Gaves.

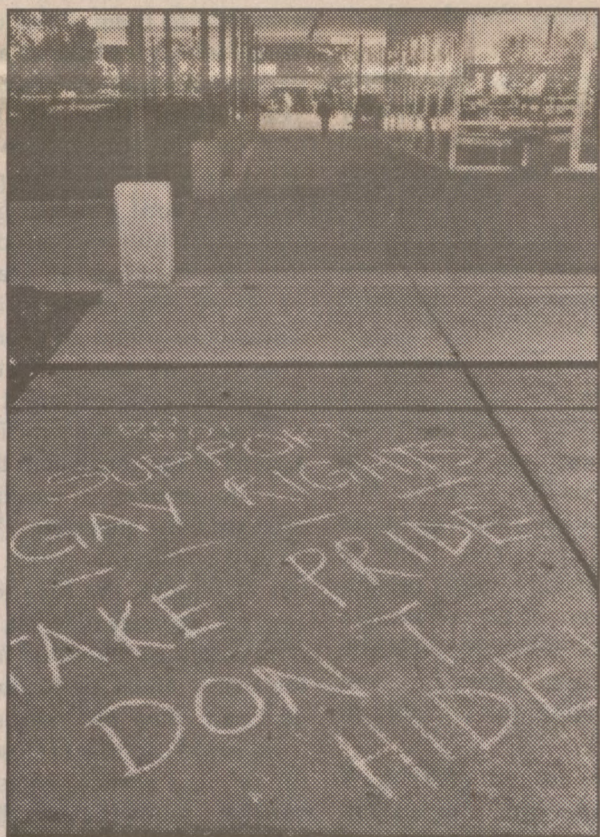
Gaves attributes many of the delays in the review process to the relatively short turnover of recent presidents at OU. Shortly after the first AP manual review committee was formed, then OU president Joseph Champaign resigned. The review process then floundered under interim president John DeCarlo, said Gaves.

"We wanted to make sure both the association and the administration agreed on what each of the sections (of the manual) meant," said Dan McDonald, president of the AP Association during Sandra Packard's OU presidency.

According to McDonald, even though the review process is mainly a joint effort between the AP

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Altered chalkings fuel GALA's fight for equality



ALTERED OPINIONS

In observance of National Coming Out Day on Oct. 11, GALA members chose to voice their feelings on gay and lesbian rights on the sidewalks outside of South Foundation Hall and the Oakland Center. Graffiti chalkers, however, chose to alter some messages, making them anti-gay. (See related story page 7)

Residents receive death threats

A Hill House resident was awakened by a phone call early Friday morning, and the caller on the other end threatened to kill her.

The resident told police that when she picked up the phone, she overheard a lot of static in the background and figured that it might be a relative calling her from overseas.

After a while, though, the man on the other end said "I'm going to kill you."

The woman immediately hung up the phone and about 15 minutes later it rung again, but she did not pick it up and let her answering machine get it instead.

The person calling did not leave a message.

On the same day and around the same time, another

Hill House resident received the same message from a caller. She told police that she thinks that the caller could be her ex-boyfriend

CRIME WATCH

because she had already filed a stalking complaint against him this past Winter semester. She did tell police that the voice did not sound like her ex-boyfriend's though.

Locker Break-ins

Two students who share a locker in the Oakland Center had some of their books stolen

out of it on Friday.

The students said they put their books in the locker Friday morning and went to class, but when they returned later that afternoon, someone had broken into the locker with a bolt cutter.

The books were valued at \$104.

Similarly, another student was notified by the CPO office that his locker had been broken into on Friday.

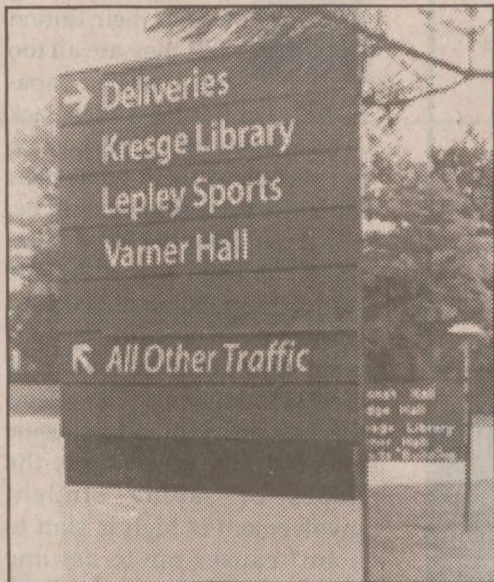
The student went to the Oakland Center to confirm that his locker had been broken into and saw that it looked like someone had gotten in with bolt cutters.

He also discovered that his portable computer, portable printer and software for the equipment, totalling \$2,860 had been stolen.

Signs point OU in new direction

By SALLY TATO
News Editor

It could be a sign of the times, but OU's board authorized \$326,000 to replace and upgrade existing signage around campus.



SIGN ON: A sample of what OU's new exterior signs will look like

The Board of Trustees approved the bid at its Oct. 5 meeting for ANDCO, an Greensboro, North Carolina exterior sign manufacturer, to construct new signs. The new look was designed by Corbin Design.

Included in the plan are perimeter and on-campus directional signage, building identification signs, pedestrian scale directional signs, special event signs, parking lot identification and traffic safety signs.

"You guys are going to get a dynamite job," said

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EDITOR'S VIEW

Lack of Board action creates frustration

As the year rolls on, the university community seems to be becoming more and more comfortable with the present presidential situation, or possibly more appropriately stated, a lack of one.

With no glimmer of a presidential search until the state legislature writes a loophole for universities into the open meetings act or the court of appeals reverses an Oakland County circuit judge's ruling, it seems obvious that members of the community would become frustrated and impatient with the Board of Trustees lack of action and so try to seek a solution for themselves.

If OU were to bypass a search and appoint Interim President Gary Russi as president of the university, as was proposed by Associate Vice President of student affairs, Jack Wilson via e-mail to various members of the faculty, the community would be bowing to the pressure that the board created when it terminated the search last May.

While Wilson's suggestion would solve the problem, it is most certainly not the best way to appoint an university president.

However, it does help focus the fact that OU's head administrator remains in limbo while the university as a whole attempts to move forward.

However, a petition would provide the board with the excuse it has been looking for all along--justification for an unilateral appointment naming Gary Russi as president.

However, it is critical that the selection of OU's next president be done with the input of the entire community and that all potential candidates, internal and external be considered--openly.

To endorse Wilson's petition all but guarantees the notion that the board is in charge of this campus and can run it without input from anyone at all.

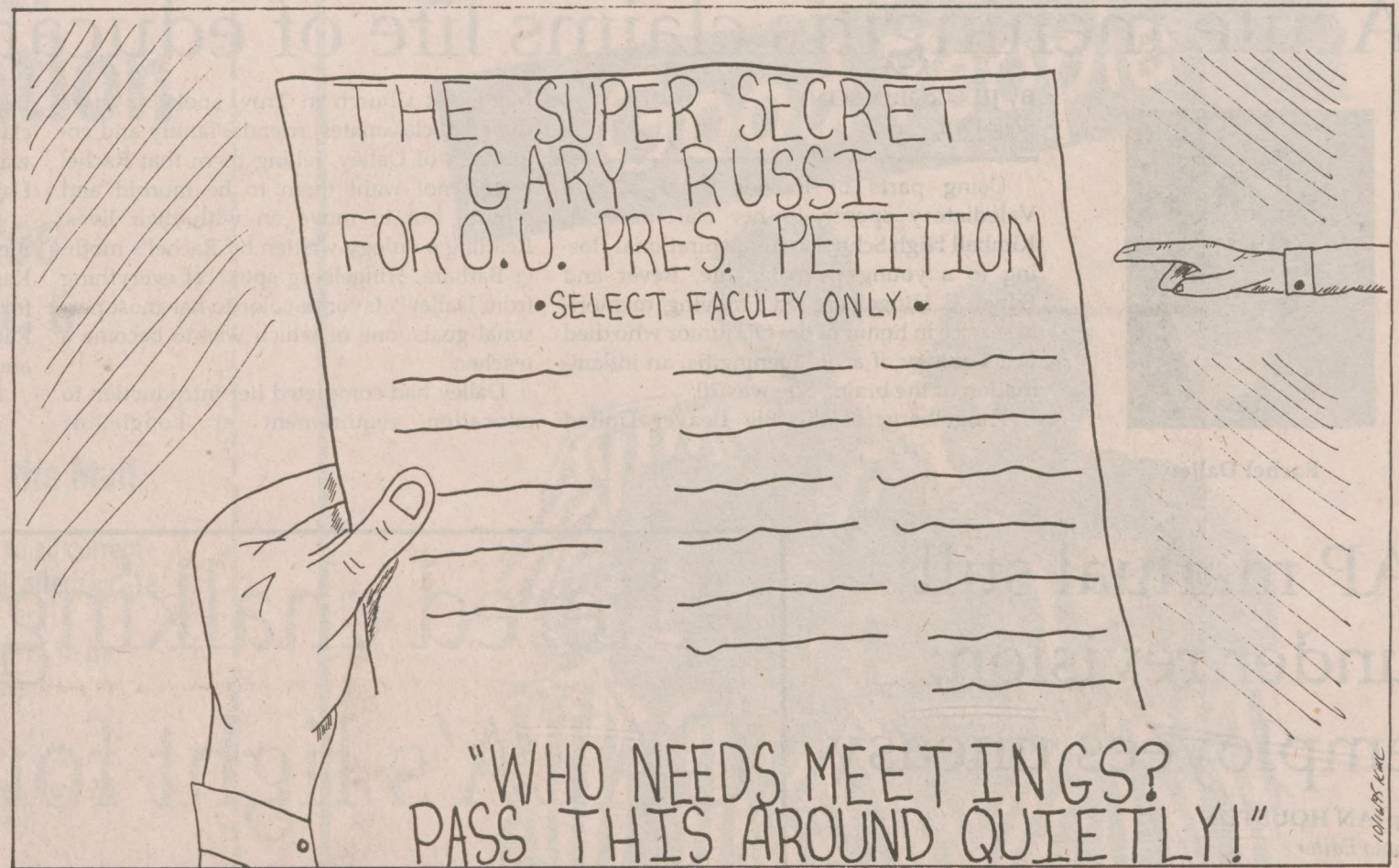
At the January 1995 Board of Trustees meeting when former president Sandra Packard resigned, Chairman David Fischer commented that the new president would be in place by Fall. With the search postponed indefinitely, a board resolution naming Russi is still a real possibility. One source close to the board believes this could happen at the December board meeting--a holiday gift to all of us.

While we don't agree with the proposed method of hurrying along the search and regaining stability on campus, the suggestion does once again illustrate the need for the board to take some action in searching for a new president.

The majority of the responses to Wilson's proposal proves that many in the faculty want a formal search process.

We urge the board to stop ducking its responsibility and conduct an open search as the law requires and an Oakland County Circuit Judge ordered.

Opinion



Letters to the Editor

Defense of WOCOU success

Dear Editor,

The WOCOU (Weekend of Champions at Oakland University) Committee would like to thank your features staff for the wonderful coverage of the WOCOU events in the October 11, 1995 issue. Those articles, we believe, accurately reflect the fun and excitement which capacity crowds experienced during WOCOU.

We also wish to express our disappointment with your editorial "Student apathy reigns again on campus". There are several points which need to be clarified or corrected.

- WOCOU did not "hope to falsify" anything, particularly the involvement of commuter students. We were more successful than any past campus wide event in attracting commuter students. The appreciation picnic was planned to have 400 commuter students attend. 385 tickets were picked up by commuter students by 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 6. Even though weather became a factor we were right on the mark as far as planning was concerned. Yes, many of those students are active in student organizations. However, many of the commuters who picked up tickets to the appreciation picnic came not because they were involved but because of the mailing that was sent to them.
- Commuter students are not apathetic. If commuters do not attend events it is

Committee disagrees with notion of apathy

because most have family and/or job responsibilities, they have different priorities or do not know of the opportunities available to them. They care about many things which traditional age and residence halls students do not have to worry about yet. Calling them apathetic does not improve the atmosphere when they may want to come to campus for events. WOCOU sent a mailing to all 13,000 + Oakland University students. It was the first time in at least 15 years that a concerted efforts was made to invite commuter students to attend an event by direct mail. This year we took a first step in making sure everyone knew about WOCOU.

- The Post gave no indication how they arrived at the conclusion that the definition of a successful event requires a minimum of 6500 students attending. There is only one facility on campus which holds that number of people, the Meadow Brook Music Festival (capacity of 7500), which is currently operated by the same folks who operate the Palace and Pine Knob. They would be thrilled to have 6500 at a show there. Even if we could use it, it is closed virtually all of the fall and winter semesters. Even when the Rec Center is built, the arena will not

hold 6500 people. By the Post's definition of success, no event has the possibility of being successful. A sellout lecture, concert, film, comedy show, basketball game, or swimming competition could not meet the high standards of the Post. Most campuses cannot meet that standard.

Every event at WOCOU drew a capacity or near capacity crowd. By any measure of success, other than the Oakland Post's, WOCOU was a major success. We were successful in bringing faculty, staff, residence hall students, commuters and alumni together for one weekend. Let us enjoy that success.

The challenge will be to make next year's event better than this year's. It will be a difficult challenge to fit more people into the Oakland Center for the Appreciation Dinner, the Comedy Show or other events.

We are open to any constructive suggestions the Post may have in improving WOCOU.

Sincerely,

For the WOCOU Committee
Kelly Schehr
Felecia Bumpus
Paul Franklin
Jean Ann Miller
Don Ritenburgh
Mona Wallace

Dear Editor,

I just finished reading the "Editor's View" in the October 11 edition of The Oakland Post. I disagree with the view that "student apathy reigns again on campus." The bulk of OU students do care, but because they care more about other things (such as working to pay their tuition bill) they are all too often labeled "apathetic". Do not label their lack of action as a lack of caring. Do not dictate to them what their individual priorities should be.

All too often the label "apathetic" is used regarding the student population at Oakland University. The editor's comment that "until at least half the 13,000 students who attend this university attend a specific event at any given time, the hopes of saying student involvement is high is slim to none" causes me to assume that the editor does not believe that any university has high student involvement. Has half of U of M's or Michigan State's

or Wayne State's or any college's student population attended a specific event at any given time? Does half of OU's student population read The Oakland Post? If no, does that mean The Oakland Post is unsuccessful?

A student leader myself, I wish that half the student population would attend an event. However, I recognize this as unrealistic. The WOCOU committee chaired by Dr. Mary Beth Snyder and Kelly Schehr put a lot of time and effort in planning the festivities. However, in my own experiences of planning and publicizing events on OU's campus I realize that WOCOU was a success. The reason that WOCOU did not change "apathetic views that plague this university" is because "student apathy did NOT once again reign on campus". What reigns on campus are adults focused on getting an education, adults who also have family and financial obligations to meet.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Goodrich
Junior
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Dear Editor and Post staff,

I would like to thank all involved in the efforts of WOCOU. It was an excellent event because of your planning, advertising, and hard work. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Brian Reynolds
Junior
Human Resource Development

Thanks

Dear Editor,

Student Jeff Goslin's letter of Oct. 11 has much to commend it, but his assertion of a "right not to be offended" is surely problematic. So far as I know, no serious proponent of human or civil rights has ever advanced such a notion. And once you think about it for even a moment, any such right would make freedom of expression impossible, since it is hard to engage in public discourse without risking offending someone with your point of view and/or, yes, your manner of expressing it. If a right not to be offended existed, we would have little debate and not a whole heck of a lot of art either. No one need condone the graffiti that Mr. Goslin protests against, but I would think that self-proclaimed libertarians like Mr. Goslin would want to be very careful before restricting freedom of expression just because saying, writing, painting, sculpting or singing something might offend someone else.

Sincerely,

Peter Bertocci
Professor
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Freedom vs. offensive speech

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Features

TRAVELING ART

Smithsonian Exhibit comes to Cranbrook

By HARMONY WATTS
Staff Writer

Not everyone gets to visit Washington D.C.'s Smithsonian Institution, the world's largest museum complex, but this month area residents can see a series of Smithsonian presentations at Cranbrook Museum in Bloomfield Hills.

The Smithsonian and Cranbrook join forces with the series starting Oct. 19 - 22 bringing an educational adventure that is usually not experienced unless you visit the museum in Washington D.C.

"I think it is an excellent idea, (having it travel) the Smithsonian is the largest complex of its kind, many of the world's treasures are housed there," said Dr. Robert M. Davis, supervisory veterinary medical officer of the National Zoo at the Smithsonian. "Not everyone can get to the Smithsonian so why not take the Smithsonian to the people."

Underwater archaeology, Tiffany's art, satellite mapping, wicker furniture and contemporary Native American art

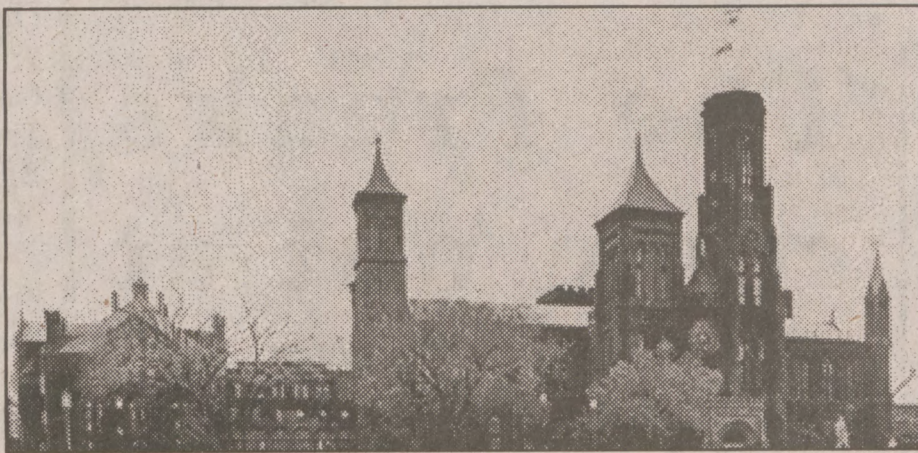
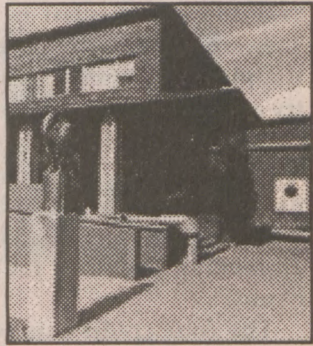


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JOINING FORCES FOR EDUCATION: The Smithsonian, above and top left, in Washington D.C. housing the largest collection in the world brings many great works to Cranbrook, pictured top right.



comprise the series supported by Tiffany & Co. and Cadillac.

Many of the lectures presented at Cranbrook appear in other cities, but according to Ann Kirking Post, program manager of US and International Events at the Smithsonian, the series appears only at Cranbrook in this specific combination.

"In every city we visit," Post says, "We try to tailor make our programs to the constituencies."

One of the goals of the series is to show the public what the Smithsonian works on behind the scenes. It's not just a museum.

"Many people don't realize the Smithsonian is a large research institution," says Post.

Andrew Johnston of the National Air and Space Museum presents a workshop on one area of Smithsonian research - satellite mapping.

This particular lecture includes a family style workshop where kids and parents work together with satellite maps.

"It's more of a workshop than a lecture," says Johnston.

Johnston, whose everyday job consists of interpreting maps

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How do you eat an oreo?

New book peeks into human lives to find out just who really is normal

By SUE YAX
Features Editor

A new book by Bernice Kanner called, *Are You Normal?* explores the often pondered but seldom explored questions to discover just how we fit into society.

Have you ever wondered just how often people swear? Well, on average most of us swear 16 times a day, if you have kids it is a little less than that. And we are supposed to be such model citizens.

Kanner spent two years asking Americans personal questions about themselves from how they brush their teeth, make their beds or their bathroom habits.

According to her book, Kanner found that many surveys asked these same questions, so she added a new twist to her survey and focused on the things that she felt were important for people to know, and what she felt was the most interesting facts about people.

Kanner employed the help of ad agencies and research houses to pose probing questions to many Americans on their lifestyles and personal habits.

For instance, do you stop at yellow traffic lights or do you speed up?

Or how about cheating, have you ever cheated on a test or your taxes or

what is your biggest lie?

These are just some of the quirky questions Kanner poses in *Are You Normal?*

To find out how you rank in the normalcy pool, take the test below if for nothing else but a few laughs.

Questions from the book *Are you Normal?*

1. Which do you eat first?
 - a. the frosting?
 - b. the cake?
 - c. both together
2. If another driver cut you off sharply would you
 - a. let it slide and do nothing?
 - b. yell an obscenity?
 - c. give them the finger?
 - d. shake your first or gesticulate?
 - e. flash your lights?
 - f. tailgate?
 - g. do something else-pull a gun, cut them off or turn them in on a car phone?
3. Can you
 - a. cross your eyes?
 - b. flare your nostrils?
 - c. snap your nostrils?
 - d. whistle loudly?
 - e. roll your tongue?
 - f. wiggle your ears?
 - g. raise one eyebrow at a time?
 - h. juggle?
 - i. do a split?

To see how you compare with other "normal" people check out the book.

International student holds on to beliefs; cultural values

By MATTHEW THEUNICK
Special Writer

OU has a rich variety of cultures among its students which cannot be explored simply through an international studies class.

Farina Masud, a sophomore and undecided, though potential engineering major, is not the typical born-and-bred, apple-pie American girl—not that she hasn't adapted to life in the states, she just brings a little more to the picture than the average Joe/Josephine.

This is because Masud is of an Asian/Middle Eastern heritage. Her parents were born in Pakistan and emigrated to Canada because of the political turmoil in their native country, some 23 years ago. "They heard that it was easier to get into Canada than to get into the U.S.A," she said.

Masud actually only came to the US about five years ago, but has become a naturalized citizen of our country. Although she enjoys America, she says, "I still see myself as a Canadian." And she still roots for the Toronto Maple Leafs, showing her sentimental loyalties to her former home team. "The U.S. is kind of the same place [as Canada], the people just aren't as nice," she said.

As westernized as Masud's upbringing has been, she has still maintained a strong bond with her native past, thanks largely to her parents' emphasis on retaining the values and beliefs of their cultural heritage.

This means that as a member of the Islamic faith, Masud is expected to pray five times a day, though she readily admits that this isn't always the easiest thing to do. "I guess I'm just lazy," said Masud.

She is also expected to partake in an arranged mar-

riage which should happen some time after she has achieved her educational goals. This impending circumstance certainly sounds "foreign" to the typically American sensibilities, but Masud doesn't see it as a problem. "I've always grown up with the idea, so that's just how it is. [Besides], America has a bigger divorce rate than Pakistan."

Masud also feels that the Pakistanis go into a marriage with more of an open mind than Americans do. "In America, everyone has more expectations of what the marriage should be like and if your spouse doesn't meet up with those expectations, you're disappointed," said Masud.



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BRIDGING THE CULTURAL GAP: Farina Masud, has adapted well to the American way of life while still holding true to her cultural beliefs.

Masud also dispels the myths that go along with arranged marriages. "We do get to see them [the fiancé] in person, with a chaperone. I still have the final say as to whether or not we are married."

All in all, Masud doesn't view her cultural juggling to be a pain, though it has presented some problems. "I think western society has influenced my thinking a lot, compared to my parents thinking, but I still try to keep my religious and cultural values."

Masud feels comfortable in the US "I like the US! Everyone here is different. It's nice to talk to other people of my society knowing that they're going through what I'm going through. But I like this society's diversity. I would rather live here than over there (Pakistan)," she said.

While there are many other differences between Masud and the situations of the "average" American, there are just as many similarities. Masud feels that although she can speak Urdu and comes from a background that is dissimilar to European or African American heritages, doesn't mean that she isn't in touch with Americana.

Masud can best be viewed pleasantly more than the average, a living bridge between two ways of looking at the same picture.

Speaking out:

Gay student talks about his coming of age

By DAN FILIPKOWSKI
Guest Columnist

It all started when I was about 13 years old. It was the time when some kids my age stop looking at the opposite sex as an annoyance and more as a sexual interest. But remember, I said "some". There are a few out there, in fact I know several hundred, who saw the members of the same sex at that age in that sexually curious way.

This is the best way for me to explain my answer to the most popular question, "When did you know you were gay?" And it's that simple. Of course when I was 13 I really didn't know what gay meant, I

just knew that I felt physically attracted to other guys. I had no

"A gay person doesn't choose to be gay -- they choose to be honest about their feelings."

control over it, it just happened. I wasn't molested as a child, or abused or anything like that (although my mom put red nail polish on my nails when I was four, I was humiliated and rubbed it off in the nursery school sand box). I had a pretty diverse upbringing. I was

taught to respect other people despite their differences. I knew kids from different countries, of varied religions and ethnic backgrounds.

Later, when I was about 17, I finally admitted to myself that these attractions I had might be because I was gay (by then I knew what a gay person was, so I was able to put a name upon my feelings). A gay person doesn't choose to be gay—they choose to be honest about their feelings. Coming out is good therapy.

I didn't "come out" until I was 18. I was a senior in high school, driving to a party one night and an

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Sports

Mud X Bowl

By TODD HUGHES
Sports Writer

A fire truck arrived right on time to the open lot at the corner of Howard and Stockwell in downtown Pontiac Saturday. The fire fighters doused the field with water, but there wasn't a flame in sight.

The reason-- the Tenth Annual Mud Bowl, a full-contact, bone-crushing, tackle football game played on a mud-covered gridiron, between Theta Chi and Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternities.

This duel brought the fire department out on an October Saturday to quench the burning of the players who battled one another for the coveted Mud Bowl trophy.



Post Photo: Joe Pickering



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Now the stage was set, except for the signing of the waivers, which were required by the owner of the land in the event of broken bones or other unforeseen mishaps. The players scribbled their names on the white slips, using the backs of their teammates as a writing surface. Fortunately, the procedure turned out to be an exercise in futility because no one suffered any major injuries.

With the partying well underway, the game began when Theta Chi kicked off to Sigma Alpha Epsilon. On the ensuing play, Sigma Alpha Epsilon proceeded to fumble the ball away, which set the tone for a turnover filled game.

The two teams remained scoreless for a while, but were covered in mud quickly. The crowd was building, teeth were chattering, and participants were dropping when Theta Chi alumnus Jeff Brock found junior Chris Kozlowski in the end zone to give Theta Chi a 7-0 lead. They never looked back.

Theta Chi sophomore Justin Suarez intercepted a Sigma Alpha Epsilon pass and ran it in for a score to push the lead to 14-0.

That sent the crowd, which seemed to be all Theta Chi rooters, into a form of pandemonium. Theta Chi senior Joe Biondo and alumnus Rob Rice circled the field with the Theta Chi flags. "We look forward to this all year, it's the biggest event of the year, and I'll probably come back until I'm 80," Rice said.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon, already dejected, became more so when Kozlowski converted his second pass for a score. It was the first of his two diving touchdown catches. At the end of the game he had three receptions for scores. When the referee blew his whistle to end the game Theta Chi possessed a commanding 35-0 lead.

With the win Theta Chi completed a three-peat. The Mud Bowl trophy never left the Theta Chi Fraternity house. Still, the three year stay there doesn't equal the six year stay with the Sigma Alpha Epsilon's.

ABOVE: Muddy half-speed football action characterized the day as Sigma Alpha Epsilon (left) and Theta Chi (right) squared off in an all out war for the Mud Bowl trophy.

BELOW LEFT: Theta Chi junior Chris Kozlowski (left) celebrates his third touchdown of the day with sophomore teammate Justin Suarez.

BELOW: Theta Chi alumnus Scott MacQueen rumbles through the mud for a touchdown.

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After the beating the teams handed each other all day, Theta Chi extended the proverbial olive branch of friendship by inviting Sigma Alpha Epsilon to the Second Annual Theta Chi Alumni Pig Roast. After accepting the invitation they all partied into the night together.

When you imagine college life growing up the dream is of days like this. Games, parties, and the comrades of fraternity brothers facing off against a rival fraternity on a cool autumn day are the things that make college years the best in life.

They're the things that bring the alumni back and the reason this day is looked forward to all year. Everyday should be as good.



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Chris Tait

Fiery competitor illustrates what it takes to win in collegiate soccer

The wind ripped through campus as the temperature plummeted sending the spectators for the soccer game into a flurry of shivers.

The women's soccer team stepped onto its home field for the first time since the beginning of the season when it faced, and lost to the University of Detroit.

Sadly, the women faced a formidable foe and could not prevail for the few Pioneer Pates who braved the arctic freeze and watched the team fall in a 2-0 defeat.

Early, the Pioneers proved the aggressor with Senior Genevieve Long leading the attack.

The standout play of the game came in the first half, as Long raced after a pass that was put well in front of her, the goaltender, and the defense.

Long controlled the ball, made a couple of Barry Sanders moves and sent the ball heading for the back of the Mercyhurst net. However, a determined Mercyhurst player stretched her body to its fullest extent and just sent the ball wide.

Instantly after pushing the ball wide, the woman collided heavily with the left post. Needless to say, the goal didn't budge.

To my amazement, and much to the player's credit, she got up and seemingly sent a message to the Pioneers: We will not let you score at any cost.

A few OU players seemed to acknowledge the challenge, even fewer did something about it.

One of two seniors on the team, Long gladly accepted the challenge and made one run after another, and handed out some physical punishment the likes of which Auburn Hills hasn't seen since the Bad Boys played around the corner at the Palace.

The referee, noticed this fierceness and attempted to snuff out Long's fire by assessing her a yellow card. This tactic worked until Mercyhurst scored on a very lucky goal.

The goal was assisted by a strong headwind and forced the ball to drop just under the crossbar and just over the extended arms of sophomore goaltender Kristi McGough.

That goal once again sparked Long to life and gave OU a glimmer of hope.

Long continued to badger the back

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Post Photo: Bob Knaska

PHYSICAL PLAY: Senior Genevieve Long attacks the ball as a Mercyhurst player struggles to wrestle it away from her.

Hard court play earns two wins

By DIANA PLETZ
Staff Writer

With only three matches left to play, the women's tennis team is struggling in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association conference with three wins and six losses.

OU appeared to turn around the season after beating Henry Ford Community College and Mercyhurst University (5-4).

However, a close loss to Gannon University (4-5) left the young team wondering how the last two matches of the season will turn out.

Kris Jefferies, women's tennis coach, said that she was pretty happy with the effort and play the team displayed in the last three matches.

"With the youth on this team, I'm not disappointed," Jefferies said.

Last year the Pioneers placed at the top of their conference, but the majority of that team has since moved on.

Therefore, an almost entirely new team has been tested in collegiate play and fared well according to Jefferies, explaining that they just need time to "get their feet wet."

On the horizon, the Pioneers look to grab a win against division leader, Ferris State University, or against Grand Valley.

"I think we can win at least one of the two matches," Jefferies said.

Home team stands tall after two wins

By PATTY YOUNG
Sports Writer

The volleyball team intends to remain a strong force at home in its next four games. Going into Tuesday's game against Wayne State University the Pioneer Women had a 6-0 home record.

According to Head Volleyball Coach Dan Schulte the team's goal is to become the first volleyball team in GLIAC history to go undefeated at home.

"With nine matches left in our regular season we have to really turn on the juice. They see it, they know it, and they are ready to work for it," Schulte said.

Senior Karen Ill, team captain, is confident that the team will work for an undefeated record at home and wind up with a second place ranking in the GLIAC.

"We have a good chemistry of working

well together. With our schedule for the rest of the season, I think we can beat the teams we are up against and end up second in the GLIAC," Ill said.

A second place finish in the GLIAC would give OU a better seed in the GLIAC Tournament.

Also, Ill feels that a second place finish in the GLIAC could lead to a spot in the National Tournament.

The Pioneer's edged closer to achieving its goal of making the GLIAC Volleyball Tournament berth this past weekend.

Last weekend it swept both Hillsdale College 16-14, 15-7, 15-9 and Ashland University 15-4, 15-11.

OU faces two top ranking GLIAC teams at home this weekend.

The Pioneers battle Gannon University this Friday at 7:30 and Mercyhurst College on Saturday at 1:00.

"With nine matches left in our regular season we have to really turn on the juice."

**-Dan Schulte
Volleyball Coach**

Speaking
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ex-girlfriend of mine (who's bisexual) asked me if I was gay. I said, "yes." I was so eager to tell someone my feelings, all it took was someone to ask me. That moment will remain in my mind forever.
When I first came out, I wanted to tell everyone, but my brain got in the way and said, "Hold it, not everyone you know is going to take it as easily as your bisexual ex-girlfriend and other gay friends." So I had to elect certain people I wanted to tell.
Back at Utica High School, I was pretty well known amongst students and faculty. Near legendary, I think. If you didn't know me, you heard of me. Well, I was able to come out to most of my close friends and a teacher, so about 30 people.
I am happy to say that I've had nothing but positive reactions. In fact after high school I became more popular than when I was in high school- I was legendary!
I stopped telling people that I was gay because my friends were doing it for me. Most people found out by word of mouth. As far as I know, my entire graduating class of 1994 knows.
Then I told my parents. It took them a little time to get used to, but they love me and I have respect for them. They understand how I feel and have accepted it. Having supportive parents and family is the greatest thing anyone can have.
I'm not ashamed of what I feel and who I am nor do I like

throwing my sexuality in other people's faces. I like people to know me and respect me as a person first before knowing that I'm gay. I'm pretty low-key some of the time, with a decent sense of humor. I've been told that I'm "delightfully morbid."
I don't follow too many of the gay male stereotypes at all. I don't own any Madonna, Bette Midler or Gloria Estefan albums. I don't dress in frilly, brightly colored clothing or talk with a lisp. Although, to be honest, when I get excited about something I tend to show a little "queenliness." I think it has to do with feeling passionate about something. I just let loose, I'll act up if I've been away from some of my friends who are gay.
March 4, 1994, the day I first came out, was over 19 months ago.
Now I'm a student here at OU. I'm much more comfortable being out here than in high school. Last year I became moderately involved with the Gay and Lesbian Alliance (GALA) here on campus. Most of our intentions last year were political and not necessarily social. Our effort paid off in the end; this summer the Board of Trustees included a clause based on sexual orientation in the non discrimination guidelines.
This year GALA has decided to definitely be more social. Our first venture was to celebrate National Coming Out Day (NCOD) Oct. 11. This day is celebrated all over the nation by gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgenders. It's a celebration of liberation. No more hiding your true feelings "in the closet." For some, NCOD is a chance to fully come out, but for those like me who have gone through the

initial coming out process, all there really is to do is come out to someone who doesn't know.
There was one person I came out to. I wasn't planning on it all, I hadn't come out to anyone in a long time. I was sitting in class and a classmate of mine asked me several questions. She began asking me if I had girlfriends, I said, "no." Then she asked me if I was gay, and I nodded yes. If I was uncomfortable with her I would have been ambivalent and changed the subject, but she is an amiable person. Now I have a new friend.
Was it because I told her I was gay? Maybe, I think it was because I was so honest, it made her feel comfortable with me. She asked a blunt personal question and got a blunt personal answer.
It's always easier for me to tell girls about myself than guys, girls feel less threatened. Not that I'm a threat to straight guys; I have several straight male friends. I wouldn't hit on a straight guy anyway, I'd be wasting my time. It's all very simple.
Being "out" to my friends on campus is easy for me. I just try not to make a big deal about it. I've got exams to study for and books to read just like any other student. I have a highly accelerated social life, I work, I spend time with my family and my best friend Kristine. I'm involved with about four organizations at school and I date... yes occasionally I do.
I haven't been gay-bashed before and I don't ever intend for it to happen. I try to be a nice guy, I listen to other people's problems, give advice and I've always got a smile plastered on my face. I don't litter and try not to lie too often. I'm a good boy!

Math

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ment of complex activities.
The growth and symmetry lesson discusses the similarities (corresponding sizes and shapes) of pattern like what sunflowers and seashells have in common, what is the geometrics of natural shapes and what kind of symmetry lies hidden in a cloud.
The final area discussed introduces how statistical data is collected, worded and interpreted and its pattern of uses.
Although, to math illiterates it may sound like the ideal course to fill their general education requirement, the class is not in high demand. Only one section of Math 118 is offered each semester and is not usually full, according to Grossman.

James McKay, professor and Chairman of the School of Mathematical Sciences attributes previous reluctance to take this course to its previous label, MTH 185. "Students suspect that the higher the number the harder the class, so most have opted to take something like MTH 121 or 122 (that deal with extensions of algebra and pre-requisites to calculus)," said McKay.
The course numbers were changed this summer to address this fear. "The course should be serving more students that it was serving," said McKay.
Although the development and teaching of "practical" math has been around for as long as history, a number of discoveries in it has only developed within the past ten years.
"What people have to understand is that Math is everywhere but this kind of sophisticated math is solving problems in society today,"

said McKay.
Students who take MTH 118 usually only need one or two math classes to fill their requirements or are education majors with an emphasis in math, said Grossman.
"Someone who is going to be an elementary teacher should learn what is introduced in this class," he said.
"One of the good things you look for in a teacher is whether they are teaching using good examples, this course can help with that. The students can learn the material and see concrete examples on how they can use it," said Louis Bragg. Bragg is the Mathematical Science professor teaching MTH 118 this year.
"Students don't have to be as fearful of this math because simple arithmetic is the only background they need. I don't see the same anxieties from students as I have in traditional mathematics," said Bragg.

Freaks

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thing I've ever seen," said Mike Rowe of Rochester Hills.
Of course who could forget the tattooed one feasting on worms, roaches and maggots.
But one would have to say the last act was surely a stomach turner. This character had everything that protruded from his body pierced. Why is that disgusting?

It's what he did with his pierced body parts that made heads turn. First he dangled cinder blocks from his ears. Then dangled them from his nose, and eye sockets. Getting bored with concrete toys, the performer switched to household irons, hanging them from his nipples and genitals.
That was the world of the Jim Rose Circus. Anyone who is interested in learning more about this strange group of people, should consider Rose's new book Freak Like Me..

Cranbrook

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from space, has done this presentation before. He says that satellite mapping has become an important field of research.
"Only now are we really finding out how to use [satellite maps]," he said. "It's changed our view of the planet.
The Mapping from Space workshop takes place Saturday, Oct. 21 at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Cranbrook Institute of Science.
Other presentations include This Path We Travel: Celebrations of Native American Creativity hosted by Andrea Hanley of the National Museum of the American Indian. This lecture takes place in the Cranbrook Art Museum

Thursday, Oct. 19 at 7:30 p.m.
At the Institute of Science on Friday, Oct. 20, Paul Johnston of the Museum of Natural History presents Downbound: Exploring the Wreck of the Steamship Indiana.
Saturday evening, Dr. Robert Davis of the National Zoological Park explores conservation and the efforts of New Opportunities in Animal Health Sciences (NOAHS) with the lecture Saving Endangered Species in the Cranbrook Institute of Science at 7:30 p.m.
Also presented by Jeremy Adamson at the art museum is Louis Comfort Tiffany: Master of Color and Light discussing Tiffany's ability in art, design, glassmaking and decorating. The lecture begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22.

Chamber

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Wednesday, Oct. 25, is part II an evening with Michigan Artists..
Some of Michigan's best chamber musicians will be playing selections of Ravel's Duo for Violin and Cello, Mozart's Quartet for Oboe and Strings and Brahms' Quartet in G minor for Piano and Strings.
From the DSO comes world-class pianist-in-residence, Flavio Varani as will assistant principal violist, James Van Valkenberg and cellist, Debra Fayroian.
Michigan Opera Theatre's principal oboist, Rebecca Hammond and principal cellist, Nadine Deleury will also be performing as will Elizabeth Rowin, violinist, and concertmaster with the Southfield and Warren Symphonies.
Friday, Oct. 27, is Part III: Young Artists. OU's own Percussion and Sax Ensembles and Chamber Players will be performing the work of contemporary composers.
Ticket prices for Part I and Part II are \$10 general admission, \$8 senior, and \$5 student/child. The admission is free for Part III, "Young Artists" concert.

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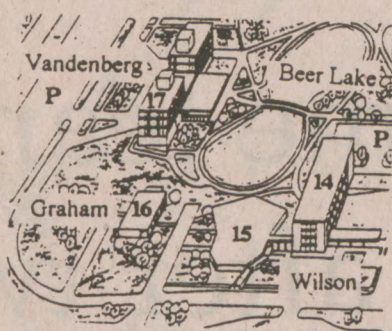


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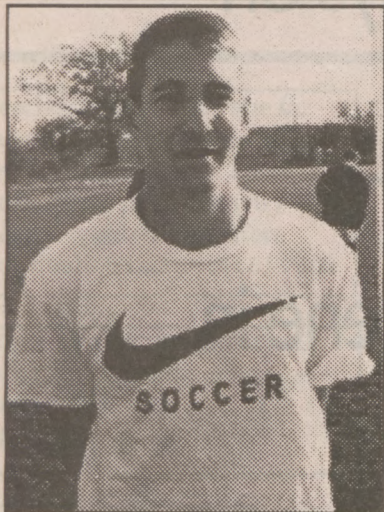
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Pioneer of the Week



Rob Wisser
Forward
Men's Soccer
5-10 Senior

Wisser scored five goals, one shy of the school record for goals in a match, in OU's record breaking 13-1 win over Saginaw Valley State on Wednesday. In that match OU set records for most goals and largest scoring margin. Wisser, who has eight goals and one assist for 17 points on the season, scored his five goals in six shots.

-Information compiled by Andy Glantzman, sports information director

The Pioneer sports week

Wed., Oct. 18 - Men's Soccer battles University of Michigan (3:30 p.m.)

Thur., Oct. 19 - Women's Soccer clashes with Siena Heights College (3:30 pm.)

Fri., Oct. 20 - Volleyball Team at Gannon University (7:30 p.m.)

-Women's Tennis at Ferris State (3 p.m.)

Sat., Oct. 21 - Women's Soccer challenges Lewis (2 p.m.)

- Men's Soccer takes its turn against Lewis (2:30 p.m.)

- Volleyball Team faces Mercyhurst College (1 p.m.)

- Cross Country Teams at Ferris State for GLIAC championships

-Women's Tennis at Grand Valley State (10 a.m.)

- Pioneer Fall Classic:
Men's Swimming and Diving (12 p.m.)

Women's Swimming and Diving (5 p.m.)

Both teams compete against Western Ontario, Ashland, and Wayne State.

** Home team in bold type.

Say Mercy:

Mercyhurst bests OU 2-0 in Saturday's match Pioneers take revenge on Wisconsin-Parkside

By CHRIS TAIT
Sports Editor

A week after OU's official home coming, the women's soccer team made its first appearance on the Pioneer Soccer Field since Sept. 2.

That game, the first of the season, ended in a loss for the Pioneers at the hands of the University of Detroit Mercy. However, in that game OU was unprepared and was forced to play with 10 players.

Women's Soccer Score Board

Player	G	A	PTS
Genevieve Long	8	10	26
Cathy Miniuk	9	7	25
Erin Gallagher	9	7	25
Jessica Mrozek	6	3	15
Jenny Grimm	4	4	12
Brook Kairies	0	7	7
Kristi Hawley	1	1	3
Jenny Wysocki	0	3	3
Keely Hamilton	0	1	1
Renae Czuk	0	1	1

into a team with a powerful offensive unit a formidable defensive unit.

Early in the first half, Senior forward Genevieve Long almost scored the opening goal of the match.

"It was totally in. It would've changed the whole complexion of the game," Long said.

This phantom goal was the turning point of the game and was a result of a Mercyhurst player throwing herself towards the ball to steer it wide.

However, in the process she crashed into the left post and collapsed to the ground. Minutes later she got up and was ready to continue play and displayed no ill side-effects the rest of the game.

Adapting to its opponents, OU changed its formation for the game opting to play a 4-5-1 alignment.

Over a month had passed and the young team had gelled

The two teams remained deadlocked through the first half and OU appeared to be in control. Yet, with one quick strike, Mercyhurst scored and took some of the wind out of the Pioneers' sails.

Mercyhurst added another score to preserve a 2-0 win and keep the Pioneers winless at home.

"I was happy with the first half of the game. Holding them scoreless, that was our game plan and



Post Photo Bob Knoska

SCORING TOUCH: Freshman Erin Gallagher leads an attack on Wisconsin-Parkside as senior Keely Hamilton (7) waits to lend support to her teammate.

we executed," Long said.

The next day, a tired OU faced Wisconsin-Parkside and handed them a 2-0 loss.

Switching back to its basic alignment, the midfield tandem reasserted its dominance when sophomore Jessica Mrozek converted on a pass from freshman Brooke Kairies at the 2:24 mark.

In the second half, Mrozek returned the favor when she set up freshman Erin Gallagher for a score.

Despite the win Long wasn't happy with her own performance or the team's performance.

"We were way better than what we showed in the Wisconsin game. It was our game to prove how good of a team we were, but we didn't. We should've scored a lot more than two goals," Long said.

OU came into the tournament fresh off a 3-0 victory over Schoolcraft. In that game sophomore Kristi Hawley scored her first and Long added two goals for the Pioneers. Sophomore goaltender, Kristi McGough also notched her fifth shutout of the year.

Women's Head Soccer Coach, Nick O'Shea was pleased to add that the team's effort last weekend earned it a first-time country ranking (25th). Also, OU earns a fourth place regional ranking.

Men level opposition

By TODD HUGHES
Sports Writer

Target practice. . .

Wednesday's soccer game against Saginaw Valley State University can only be described as target practice for the OU men. The team travelled to SVSU with a chance to improve its record in the GLIAC.

A 13-1 shellacking of the opposition was more than they expected, however. In the first minute of play senior Ari Koss took a pass from freshman David Hall and fired it past SVSU goaltender Martin Gonzalez. The goal proved to be the game-winner. It was literally over before it started.

"It was a stupid game, absolutely useless, they were not even athletic, but at least it gave us the opportunity to play some guys that don't usually see game action," Hall said.

Koss scored twice more for OU, freshman Rob Wisser found the net five times and Sophomore goaltender Amir Tal left his familiar position to cap the scoring.

Junior Paul Doroh recorded a second half shutout in goal for OU, managing to make two saves in the process.

The win lifted the Pioneer's GLIAC conference mark to 1-1-0, heading into a showdown

with conference rival Ashland, whose team is in its first year.

Ashland greeted OU with the antithesis of its game against SVSU, a hard-fought battle.

A defensive battle as it turned out. The teams fought through regulation and two overtime periods, but neither found the goal, and it went in the books as a 0-0 tie.

OU had plenty of solid scoring opportunities throughout the game, including a successful play in the second half.

Freshman Nick Deren headed a ball into the Ashland net to score what appeared to be the go ahead goal for OU, but the referee ruled that he had pushed the defender on the way up. Deren's disallowed tally was the only ball to find paydirt on the day, and the tie left OU's record in the GLIAC at 1-1-1 with one more conference game to play against Mercyhurst, November 4.

Men's Soccer Score Board

Player	G	A	PTS
Nick Deren	8	2	18
Rob Wisser	8	1	17
Ari Koss	3	3	9
Chad Shomaker	2	4	8
David Hall	2	3	7
Ian MacDonald	1	4	6
Markus Pajja	2	1	5
Ben Cesa	1	2	4
Anthony Vetrano	1	1	3
Paul Doroh	0	3	3
Amir Tal	1	0	2
Luke Knowles	1	0	2
Jake Jeakle	1	0	2
Anthony Verrino	1	0	2
Andreas Papoutsis	0	2	2
Mario Piacentini	0	2	2

Running into the competition

By DEREK STARK
Sports Writer

The men's and women's cross country teams participated in the Michigan Intercollegiate Championships hosted by Eastern Michigan Friday.

The Pioneer men finished 10th overall with a score of 316, while Hillsdale won the event with 50. Team scores are kept by totalling the places the top five runners on each team, the team with the lowest score wins.

Following Hillsdale's lead, were runner-up Central Michigan (52), Eastern Michigan (80), Michigan State (88), Siena Heights (124), Western Michigan (154), University of Michigan (211), Southwestern Michigan (257), and Detroit Mercy (292).

OU placed ahead of GLIAC foes Saginaw Valley (11th place), Lake Superior State (12th), Wayne State (15th), Grand Valley (16th), and Northwood (527th).

Fifth-year senior co-captain Scott Collins led the Pioneers with an eighth place overall finish. Collins ran 25:49 for the 8k (5 mile) race.

Clint Verran of Eastern Michigan won the race in a time of 25:18.

Junior Chris Constantino was OU's second finisher placing 49th overall in 27:10. Sophomore Jason Ballard ran 27:54 and placed 75th.

Freshmen Andy McCloskey placed 109th overall with a time of 28:57, and Senior co-captain Ed Church was the Pioneers fifth man, placing 121st out of 168 runners.

The OU women's cross country team had some good individual performances, but did not have the required five runners needed to compile a team score.

The University of Michigan won the women's race with 20 points, sweeping five of the first seven places. U of M was followed by Michigan State (70), and Western Michigan (94).

Pawline Arnill from U of M won the 5k (3.1 mile) race in 17:42.

Leading the Pioneers was junior transfer student Traci Boenick in a time of 19:42. Boenick was 29th overall.

Freshmen Denise McCartney placed 36th for OU in a time of 19:52.

Junior transfer student Debbie Cummings placed 65th for OU, in a time of 21:06.

Intramural update

By DAVE SHIRKEY
Special Writer

Freshman Amy Rappley says she "played basketball, volleyball, and softball in high school" and she adds it is only natural she would "want to stay active" by playing intramural softball this fall.

Amy is one of the estimated 330 students taking part in the IM athletics autumn season.

"Soccer is a passion" for Askiker team member Todd Pike. "You can't shake the passion so you must play," he said, adding that it is also keeps him in shape." Pike's team is one of the eleven soccer teams vying for the championship.

Alumni and faculty are able to get involved in the action too. Reynold's Rap softball team member and 1994 graduate, Stan Wallace said, "I love to play sports and intramurals keeps me together with my friends."

Wallace has participated in IM athletics for seven years and is happy that the program has improved. "There used to be only three (soft-

ball) teams," Wallace said.

The Sheep Herders captain and quarterback, junior Eric Kozfay said, "I'd put money on my team to be in the [football] playoffs." Kozfay's team has had a couple of close losses but expects to turn it on toward the end of the season.

Junior Kenny Olinger is a member of the Sheep Herders and he explains that he plays "because I love the competition. . . along with the bruised ribs."

Amy Block and Brian Graves share the duties of organizing the IM program, scheduling games, and finding referees. "We do have a pretty good number of teams this year," Block said. However, she added that there has been problems with teams forfeiting.

The football, soccer, and softball teams are gearing up for the playoffs which began on October 16th for softball and start October 24th for soccer and football. Women's and co-ed basketball teams begin their season October 24th. If you would like to become involved in intramural sports call 370-4012.

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line of the Mercyhurst defense which forced one player to openly criticize the referee. For this, the ref handed out a yellow card.

The most telling moment of Long's competitive nature cam as time expired.

Going up for a ball, she took shot from a Mercyhurst player and fell to the ground.

Time expired and the teams lined up for the customary hand shake.

Long walked to the bench and would return to the battlefield another day.

Signs

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Frankie Perry, account executive for ANDCO.

Perry said that he could not estimate when the job would be completed, but gauged that it would be at least 10-12 weeks following the university's approval of the company's samples.

However, according Susan Aldrich, assistant vice president, Capital Planning and Design, the signs are planned for installation this winter.

"We're hoping before the ground freezes that we can do it," Aldrich said, adding that an exact agenda was still in the works.

A committee of representatives of various groups on campus, including Public Safety, disabled students, auxiliaries and the Campus Development and Environment Committee worked with the design company to help establish the design.

Examples of the new signs, which will be made of cast aluminum, acrylics and plexiglas, have been displayed throughout campus since August.

Currently the university provides direction with signs most find difficult to follow. The new signs are taller and brighter and displayed in more prominent locations.

Manual

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Association and the ERD, every president of OU over the years has wanted to take part.

The AP Association finally started to receive sections of the manual for review last December, said Maura Selahowski, director of CIPO and current president of the AP Association. The rest of the sections were received by April and the manual review committee is now about to send the manual with its proposed changes to a labor attorney. The attorney will be responsible for checking for possible legal errors in the proposed changes before the manual is returned to the ERD, said Selahowski.

"I'm quite anxious myself to have an updated manual to give to employees," said Bill Kendall, assistant vice president for employee relations. Kendall, along with Assistant Legal Counsel, Robert Bunker, worked on the original draft of the updated manual that reportedly spent weeks unread on the desk of then president Sandra Packard. "It stayed on her desk for a very long time," said Dan McDonald. After Packard signed off, the ERD started sending sections of the manual to the AP Association.

After the manual and the AP Association's proposed changes are returned to the ERD, Kendall anticipates meeting with Bunker and representatives from the association to discuss the final draft of the update AP manual.

"We want to be as accommodating as we can be," said Kendal. In the final draft the university will try to include all of the changes proposed by the AP Association while making sure the university is protected. If an agreement can't be reached in the meetings, then the president and the vice president will have to be consulted before the manual can be presented to the board for final approval, Kendall said.

At the board meeting, the board approved changes aimed at alleviating confusion in the Employee Relations Department and among the APs.

"The supervisors and employees were getting confused," said Paul Bissonnette, vice president of finance and administration. Under the old system, employee reviews by both the university personnel department and the AP association overlap creating more paperwork and confusion among the AP's and their supervisors, he said.

The new system will change the evaluation problem by standardizing contract lengths and dates. Probationary contracts will be set at six months instead of the current five to eleven months. Contracts after the initial probation will be set at two years each with the first contract to be shortened so that every AP's contract date will be Oct. 1, regardless of when they are hired.

Another area the changes address is employment service credit for employees who transfer into the AP system from another area of the university. "We're trying to provide some consistency in the application of this status over an employment group move into that rank," said Bissonnette. Employees who have worked in another area of the university in an amount of full or part time hours that equals four years will be granted their second year contract after their probationary contract expires.


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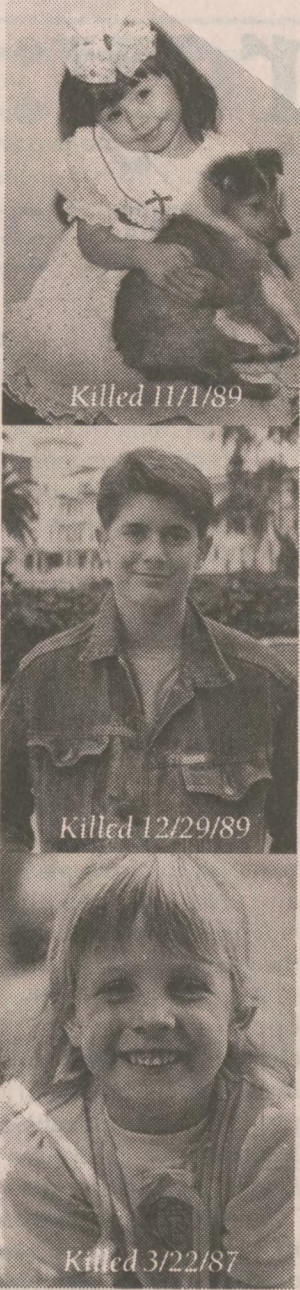
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Committee guidelines for the Steering Committee, Research and Review Committee, the Elections Commission, and SAFB were passed unanimously.

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