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OU still safe

Crime stats show little change

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

OU's crime rate stayed relatively flat in 2001 according to figures released by the department last week.

For serious crimes such as breaking and entering, rape and larcenies, OU reported 105 incidents in 2001, a decline of 21 from the previous year.

The campus experienced an increase in less serious offenses, like disorderly conduct and vandalism, from 89 incidents in 2000 to 116 in 2001.

"In basic assessment, crime is extremely low (at OU)," Chief of Police Samuel Lucido said. "This is a good place, a terrific university. There's a lot of support to maintain safety."

OU is required to submit crime statistics as part of the Clery Act, also known as the Campus Security Act, a federal law requiring U.S. colleges and universities to disclose crime information. The law is tied to Federal Student Financial Aid and is enforced by the U.S. Department of Education. The crime statistics are also provided to the FBI.

Lucido's assessment was based in part on the fact OU reported two arsons, three

breaking and enterings, one rape and no cases of homicide, robbery, felonious assault or automobile theft.

In examining 2001 OU crime categories, there was a decrease in the number of larcenies as 120 cases were reported in 2000. That figure decreased to 99 in 2001. Lucido said the number of larcenies is traditionally high.

Lt. Richard Tomczak of OUPD attributed the decrease in larcenies to crime prevention programs such as the Rape Aggression Defense course and increased student awareness.

"We are doing our best to be proactive," Tomczak said.

Vandalism increased the most for OU with 36 cases in 2001, up 16 from the previous year. At the same time, disorderly conduct rose from one to 13 incidents in 2001.

"We try to be in buildings and parking lots to be seen,"

Tomczak said. "We can't measure how much crime has been prevented. I'm happy with the numbers."

OU also reported 14 alcohol related driving arrests, an increase of four from the previous year.

Tomczak said OU maintains a zero tolerance alcohol policy.

Parking violators have online option

By ADAM L. NEAL
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Parking at OU can be like trying to fit a square peg into a round hole. What is even worse is coming out to an illegally parked car and seeing the ticket that must be paid within a month of issue.

Though the fine may be painful, the process of paying the ticket is a little easier since OU implemented an online website where students can charge the amount due.

Anyone with one of the red and white parking violations can now log on to the OUPD website, <http://mirage.otus.oakland.edu/oupd/oupd.htm>, and pay the fine via credit or debit card.

Lt. Richard Tomczak of the OUPD said police are trying to offer as many ways to handle a violation as possible and have it be convenient.

"A lot of students are in the

computer age and like to do stuff on the Internet," Tomczak said. "This is just another tool or method of payment we are offering."

Before the online system was posted on the web in mid-September, parking violators could pay the \$20 fine by check to the OUPD and bringing it to the station, mailing the ticket in with a check or utilizing the automated phone system and paying by credit or debit card.

A \$10 late charge is assessed on any ticket not paid within a month from the issue date.

The website is set up as a five-step process in which students must first input the license plate number and ticket number.

After reviewing the charges and verifying ticket information in the second step, a credit or debit card number is needed for third step. A review of the transaction happens in the

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Bush commends student volunteer

By GAYLE ISSA
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Many people dream of meeting the president, but few are given the chance.

OU AmeriCorps member Lenwood Compton, junior, had the rare opportunity Monday when he received congratulations from President George W. Bush at Oakland County International Airport.

Bush spoke on volunteerism and said although a person can't possibly do everything, everyone can do something to help serve the community. He cited Compton as an example and commended him for answering that call.

"I felt very special because the crowd acknowledged me at that time," Compton said.

In their brief exchange, Compton told Bush he appreciated everything he was doing. The president replied that he appreciated Compton's service more because he has the ability to touch lives personally.

"I am just a raindrop in the ocean of what everyone else is doing. They are just as deserving. It was an honor for me but we worked collectively for a common purpose, which is to build a better America," Compton said.

A Pontiac native, Compton is an active volunteer in his second term of service with AmeriCorps.

AmeriCorps Oakland's program director Carol Anne Ketelsen said Compton has a strong desire to give back to his own community as well as be instrumental in an area where there is a lack of positive male role models.

Members nominated Compton "Mr. AmeriCorps" two years in a row.

"He exemplifies the character of an AmeriCorps member: strong ethics, good character, a great role model and excels with children, and I am very glad that he had this opportunity," Ketelsen said.

Compton tutors Pontiac children at Great Lakes Academy and also works with the Pontiac Area Transitional Housing (PATH), AmeriCorps' after-school program.

"I have made a lot of good friends. It (AmeriCorps) has made me aware of the critical need for volunteers and for people

Please see STUDENT on A6



Junior Lenwood Compton and President George Bush shook hands Monday at Oakland County International Airport.

AmeriCorps Facts

- AmeriCorps is a national program addressing public safety, education, human needs and environmental problems.

- The organization has more than 400 sponsors and engages more than 25,000 volunteers in community service projects across the country.

- AmeriCorps Oakland members must be at least part-time OU students during fall and

winter semesters. They are required to commit 900 hours in one year in exchange for a living wage stipend of \$4,950 and an education award of \$2,363 that can be used to pay any educational expenses.

- OU students work in the Pontiac area, primarily at public schools with grades one through six in reading, mathematics and sciences through

small group activities and one on one tutoring.

- Last year AmeriCorps initiated or was involved with more than 80 community projects, which are always looking for extra helping hands.

- In 1994 OU became one of nine locations in Michigan to operate an AmeriCorps program under the National and Community Service Trust Act

signed in by President Bill Clinton in 1993.

- The government grant funding AmeriCorps Oakland (and specifically Pontiac) comes from the Corporation for National Service in Washington D.C.

- AmeriCorps is recruiting again in January. For more information, call the AmeriCorps Oakland Office in at (248) 370 2186.

Breaking ground



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BOT Liaison Rhonda Hanna, OU President Gary Russi, Trustee Henry Baskin, Vice President for Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder and OC Director Richard Felkel gather Friday for the ground breaking of the OC expansion.

Feminist writer brings literary wares to campus

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
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Poet, novelist and feminist Marge Piercy will present a public reading of her work at 4 p.m. Friday in Dodge Hall. Admission is free and a book signing will follow at 5 p.m.

Sponsored by the Department of English, Piercy is a poet and author of more than 35 books including "What Are Big Girls Made Of?" and her most recent memoir, "Sleeping with Cats." She explores the ideas of Judaism, politics, feminism, felines and eroticism frequently in her writings.

In "The art of blessing the day" she wrote, "Attention is love, what we must give children, mothers, fathers, pets, our friends, the news, the woes of others. What we want to change we curse and then pick up a tool. Bless whatever you can with eyes and hands and tongue. If you can't bless it, get ready to make it new."

Another one of her poems called "What are big girls made of?" reads: "The construction of a woman/ a woman is not made of flesh/ of bone and sinew/ belly and breasts, elbows and liver and toe./ She is manufactured like a sports sedan./ She is retooled, refitted and redesigned/ every decade."

Piercy was born in 1936 in Detroit. She holds degrees from U-M and Northwestern and has been active in the civil rights and women's movements.

"I did not have a sheltered middle class upbringing," she said in a recent e-mail from her home on Cape Cod. "The contradiction between how things were supposed to be and how they were provoked me into writing."

Piercy said she thinks the older women get, the harder it becomes to receive attention as a writer and a woman.

"You have to work harder and harder to survive," she said. "Every woman spends far more

time over the years washing dishes than making love, but which are we more interested in? So you choose your focus, the theme that will unite the stories you are selecting to tell about your life"

Department of English Chair Bruce Mann said bringing a national writer such as Piercy to OU is an imperative endeavor.

"Bringing gifted writers to Oakland University is an important part of our department's mission," he said. "I think it's a real spark and good for students in general. It brings literature alive. Hearing a writer recite her work is exciting. There's a whole different take."

Piercy is also the keynote speaker at the 41st Annual Oakland University Writer's Conference scheduled for this weekend.

For more information on the reading, contact the Department of English at (248) 370-2250.

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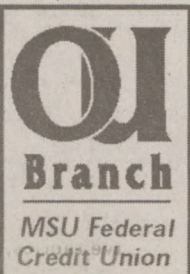


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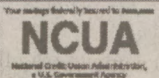


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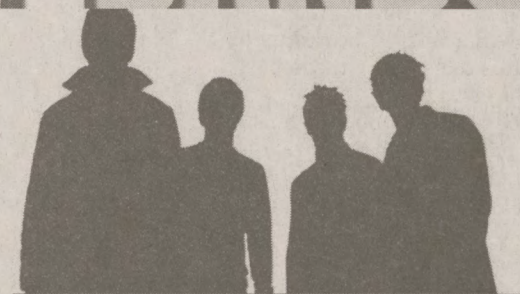
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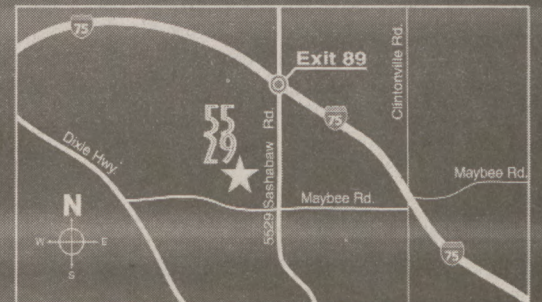
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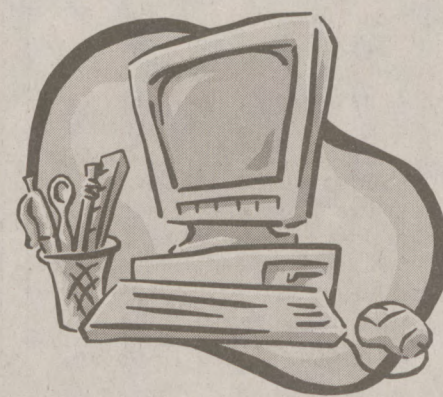
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Geese flock to safety

By REBECCA WYATT
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

In August, OU took steps to reduce the geese population on campus by using border collies to chase the birds away from the main academic buildings. While geese are still around on campus, most people have noticed a reduction.

"They look like they've gone down a lot," said Jonathan Jarvis, sophomore. "Last year you walked around, and there were just a ton of them."

"OU groundskeepers report a dramatic reduction in the number of geese on campus, and much cleaner sidewalks, etc.," said Simon Ren, university engineer and associate director of Facilities Management.

"Since we started the fifth of August, Oakland University has seen a dramatic reduction in the amount of geese present on the property," said Wendy Villarreal, Gooseworks trainer. "We first counted around 200 birds present, and now OU has approximately 25 resident geese scattered about, with occasional migratory geese joining up."

Villarreal said the 25 resident geese were probably a family that had hatched on the property and will be "very persistent in returning."

"It can take up to two months, and sometimes long or repetitive hazing to change the behavior of resident geese," she said.

According to Villarreal, it is hard to stop the migratory birds from landing, but Gooseworks is trying to minimize the time the birds stay on campus.

"Migratory birds are at their

heaviest later in the fall, usually November and early December," Villarreal said. "I would expect to see an increase in the amount of birds on the property at that time."

Villarreal said heavy snows will limit the birds' food supply, and, in turn, they will move on.

"Cold temperatures don't seem to deter the birds," Villarreal said. "Last winter, which was very mild, saw an increase in the amount of birds present throughout the winter season."

Gooseworks believes constant harassment is the only means of deterring the birds from campus.

"The dogs come five days per week, including one weekend day, at random times so that the geese cannot predict their arrival," Ren said.

Gooseworks has found coming at different times of the day has different effects. Villarreal said evening visits are effective because geese are looking for a resting spot for the night.

"Some properties only have a problem at night, as the geese seek the warmth from parking lots and sidewalks," Villarreal said. "Through the use of dog hazing, Gooseworks acts to convince the birds that the area is unsafe to roost for the night."

OU is using egg collecting and the border collies to deter the geese from campus.

"We intend to tolerate a few geese, not eliminate their presence entirely," Ren said.

Gooseworks has a contract with OU until Dec. 15. At that point, according to Ren, feedback from students, faculty and groundskeepers will determine whether OU will extend its con-



Suzie Gallo/The Oakland Post
The geese, which have taken over campus in recent years, are less visible on main campus this year due to aggressive tactics, including the use of border collies.

Outlook for jobs brighter

Grads answer survey questions

By REBECCA WYATT
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

According to a recently released Career Services survey, 2000-2001 bachelor's degree graduates of OU had a 93.4 percent employment rate after graduation with an average salary of \$38,840.

"That's probably as high as it's been in a long time at OU," said Robert Thomas, director of Career Services.

According to the survey, after graduation 89.6 percent of undergrads reported they were working in a field related to their major.

The bachelor of general studies degree at OU had the highest average salary at \$55,857 and had a 95 percent graduate employment rate and 73.7 percent of the graduates reported working in a field related to their degree. This degree is a non-major generally used by people already working full-time.

That is much higher than the national average of \$28,232 reported for 2002 and \$32,487 reported for 2001. Per the national average, general studies have one of the lowest national salary averages. The area has also seen the biggest decline in employment over the past year according to the national survey. It is down 13.1 percent since last year.

The second highest average salary at OU was in the mechanical engineering field. The average salary was \$52,358 with 100 percent of those surveyed (21) being employed after graduation, and 94.1 percent were in a field related to mechanical engineering.

The mechanical engineering numbers at OU are actually higher than the national survey results of \$48,282 for 2002 and \$48,588 in 2001.

Thomas attributes this to the automotive industry employment in the area.

The area that has seen the biggest increase over the past year is pharmacy, according to the national average. The average salary has risen from \$69,855 in 2001 to \$78,080 in 2002. OU does not offer a pharmacy degree.

According to Thomas, 1,702 undergrad and 853 graduate students were surveyed after graduation, with 804, or 32.5 percent, responding.

"Thirty-five percent is actually a pretty good return rate," said Laura Schartman, director of Institution Research.

"Alumni surveys are notorious for being low in response rate," according to Thomas, last year approximately 19 percent of the surveys were returned.

"We put in some extra effort to get that (34 percent) this year," Thomas said.

That extra effort was more mailing including a follow-up letter and calling in the areas where the numbers were too low to use.

Thomas said often students do not reply with the salary information, but he reminds students that the information is kept confidential.

"We're measuring only one school, and we don't hand that information out," Thomas said.

According to Schartman, OU's data will always be swayed in the direction of the working students because OU has a higher working population.

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Murder mystery haunts MBH

By ADAM DEMENIUK
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

This Halloween season students will be busy solving a mystery. Someone will be murdered, and students act as the detectives.

The annual "Murder Mystery" will be held at 8 p.m. Oct. 25 at Meadow Brook Hall. This event, sponsored by the Student Programs Board (SPB), will use SPB actors and volunteer students in its portrayal of a murder.

The mansion will be transformed into a haunted mansion. OU sophomore Demetrius Gary, Lecture and Special Events Chair, said, "It's kind of like the

movie 'Clue'. A murder takes place, and students look for clues to find out who did it."

According to Paul Franklin, Coordinator of Campus Programs, the interactive murder mystery event started in 1991. This year 100 tickets will be sold for the mystery, he said.

"It's a great event," Franklin said. "The murder mystery changes from year to year. Every single year it's a wonderful experience."

Last year's theme was "A Night at the Oscars." OU students acted as celebrities such as Queen Latifah and Tom Cruise. Latifah and Cruise carried out Julia Roberts' murder. Students dressed like

celebrities and prizes up to \$250 were awarded for best celebrity look-a-likes. Gift certificates to retail stores and restaurants were also given out.

This year's theme is "Class of 1992, Class Reunion Monster Mash." The SPB said students should wear Halloween costumes to the mansion. There are prizes for students with the best costumes and for students who solve the mystery.

Tickets are available at the Center for Student Activities window. The cost is \$10 for OU students and \$20 for everyone else which covers the cost of food and drinks for the evening. It's open to all students of all class levels.

Appreciating OU's Staff



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

A dinner honoring faculty and staff draw thousands of people to the food court on Friday. The dinner, along with the OC ground breaking, rounded out the events of WOCO.

BOT Spotlight

By ANN ZANIEWSKI
& JENNIFER J. DECKER
THE OAKLAND POST

David Doyle's time as an OU student gave him a preview as a policy maker for his alma mater as a seven-year Board of Trustee member.

Doyle graduated from OU with a bachelor's degree in political science in 1980. He has put that degree to work being active in both Michigan's House of Representatives and Senate.

Managing political campaigns could be considered on one of Doyle's specialties. He has coordinated several, including those of Gov. John Engler, Sen. Spencer Abraham, and the Michigan campaign of former President George Bush. From 1991-1995 Doyle served as chair of the Republican Party of Michigan.

Today, he is the vice president

of Marketing Resource Group, a corporate and political consulting firm.

One of his priorities as a trustee, he said, is balancing affordable tuition with the needs of the university.

He said OU has changed dramatically since he was a student, with the most notable difference being an increase in campus activities.

"There is a lot more life today on campus than when I was a student," he said.

Doyle attributes the change in OU's atmosphere to an increase in student population and construction of buildings like the Rec Center and the Student Apartments.

Although the school may offer students more activities than it did 20 years ago, Doyle noted the current student population and his generation have a lot in common.



Oakland University

David Doyle

"My very first day on campus, I got to campus and the parking lot was full. I parked on the grass, and when I came out eight hours later, my car was gone. It got towed away," he said, chuckling.

Doyle lives outside of Lansing in Williamstown Township with his wife Lori and two high school-age children. Most of his free time is devoted to attending his children's athletic events.

CRIME WATCH

*An 18-year-old student was carrying a cup containing an alcoholic beverage in Fitzgerald Hall last Saturday. The woman's blood/alcohol level registered .000. She was ticketed for being a minor in possession of alcohol.

*A red 1992 Chrysler LeBaron convertible was car-jacked last Tuesday morning from P-5 parking lot. The car's owner, an 18-

year-old student, reported three black males assaulted him, stole his car and headed towards Pontiac in it. The vehicle was later recovered by the Livonia Police Department.

*OUPD responded to a verbal threat complaint in the Recreation Center. A referee of an intramural basketball game ejected a player for using vulgar

language towards him. The referee said the player threatened him and he felt the individual had the means to follow out his threat. The case is still open.

*Three female food court employees complained that five male students used verbal obscenities towards them. After the employees told the men that they entered the food line after

Subway was closed, the obscenities allegedly started. OUPD has written statements from the men.

*OUPD responded to a false fire alarm Mon., Oct. 7 in the first floor of the Education and Human Services Building. Officers noticed several of the fire notification strobe lights were not flashing and the audible voice in

the building was stating, "Tornado alarm is clear, it is clear to remain in the building." The case is still open.

*A student told police she left her backpack unattended in Varner Hall for three hours. Upon returning she noticed her wallet, containing a debit card, cell phone and other articles were missing. Within the three hours,

her debit card was charged for a "large amount" of money. The case is still open.

*A 20-year-old female complained of an ex-boyfriend who arrived at her Vandenberg dorm door. She called OUPD. He was then escorted off campus and told if he returned he would be arrested for trespassing and possibly stalking.

Month devoted to cancer

BY ADRIANA FERRARI
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Many people lead hectic lives. Between family, friends, school and work a person's monthly list of things-to-do seems to be forever expanding.

According to nurse Carolyn White, for women, "giving themselves a monthly breast exam is not a top priority on that list."

White and other health professionals think it should be.

According to the American Cancer Society, breast cancer will strike more than 200,000 times this year and claim more than 40,000 lives.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and the American Cancer Society says it is a month to support the cause, honor a survivor, remember those lost to the disease and support the search for a cure.

The Van Elslander Cancer Center in Detroit reports breast cancer is the most common form of cancer found in women. Men can develop it as well; approximately 1,000 men develop breast cancer in the U.S. each year.

Although breast cancer cannot be prevented, early detection drastically increases a patient's odds of recovery.

"Early detection and early treatment is key to a cure," said

nurse Joanne Talarek, MSN, RN, CS of the Graham Health Center at OU.

Breast cancer is a disease in which cancer cells form in the breast. Normally, the cells of the breast divide in a regular manner. If the cells keep dividing when they are not needed, a mass of tissue forms.

"Most of the time women identify a lump or their partner identifies a lump. Sometimes it's tender, sometimes not," Talarek said.

According to Talarek, most women don't know what exactly they are looking for when giving themselves a self breast exam. "So many young women tell

me that, 'I don't know what I'm looking for, all I feel are lumps,'" said Talarek.

Talarek's advice for these women is although the breast tissue in most women is very lumpy, a physician should examine any lump that feels "fixed or stuck" and doesn't go away in the next month.

Once a woman has identified a lump in her breast her next step is to make an appointment to have it examined, says Talarek. OU students can go to the Graham Health Center as a first step.

"This is a terrific first place to come," Talarek said. After a woman's first exam,

the center will monitor her for the next three months. If the lump does not seem to be decreasing, the next step to make an appointment with a general surgeon.

Preliminary studies include an ultrasound, a biopsy and a mammogram. According to Talarek, mammograms are not particularly effective in younger women because they have very dense breast tissue, and a mammogram can't see through it very well.

According to The Van Elslander Cancer Center, a biopsy is the most important procedure in diagnosing breast cancer. **Please see CANCER on B4**



• Evidence has linked the fatal shooting of a Virginia woman Monday night to the Washington-area sniper. She was an FBI analyst who studied terror threats. The woman was in a Home Depot parking lot and was murdered by a single gunshot. The killing of nine people and wounding of two others is believed to be linked to the sniper. Police suspected a light-colored Chevrolet Astro van with a silver ladder rack on top and left taillight out as being the sniper's vehicle. Authorities are offering a \$500,000 reward leading to the arrest and conviction of the assassin.

• A security guard and another man were questioned Tuesday about the Bali, Indonesia nightclub bombing that killed nearly 200 people Saturday. Plastic explosive traces were found at the scene. The interrogation came after international pressure called for Indonesia to focus on Al-Qaeda and local allies blamed for the bombing. At least 47 people have been questioned. The U.N. Security Council called the bombings an "act of international terrorism." Most of the dead were Australians and two Americans were also among those killed. Previously, Indonesia insisted there was no threat of violent extremism.

• More than 120 people became sick and 20 died this past summer from a listeria outbreak, which led to a recall of 27 million pounds of Wampler Foods' turkey and chicken products nationwide on Saturday. This is the largest meat recall ever. Listeria, caused by bacteria, can cause severe illness, death or stillbirth. The USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service has not approved any type of listeria testing.

• The U.S. Senate followed the U.S. House of Representatives last week voting to back President George W. Bush's resolution regarding Iraq in a landslide victory. President Saddam Hussein faced no challengers yesterday in Iraq's presidential referendum. The Iraqi government is hoping for a high percentage of "yes" votes to portray Hussein as a popular leader. Hussein's political party, Baath, has held rallies built around the slogan, "Yes, Yes, Yes Saddam."

• Fighting erupted in a key cocoa region Sunday when Ivory Coast President Laurent Gbagbo said government forces were retaking control of the city of Daloa. Markets are now unsettled for cocoa since the fighting started. Conflicts have been happening in the Ivory Coast for about a month, and West African mediators are pushing for a truce. Residents are staying indoors for protection while the fighting is resolved.

Global goof

• A 36-year-old Salt Lake City woman lives in a polygamous household, but is not being charged by the state of Utah for polygamy. She is, however, being accused of persuading her 16-year-old sister to marry into her and her husband's family. The husband, who is a police officer, is also being accused of having sex with the 16-year-old sister at least three times. The sister's parents did agree to the marriage. This is the first case in the past century in which a woman has been charged for entering a polygamous marriage.

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Information taken from various news sources

Therapy program helps disabled kids saddle up

CASEY CURTIS
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Riding a horse correctly can take years for an amateur to accomplish.

However, when the amateur is mentally or physically disabled, being able to ride a horse is an accomplishment in itself.

First Impressions Farm, located in New Haven, Mich., provides horse therapy for adolescents with disabilities.

Rex Beasaw III, owner of First Impressions Farm, had the idea to start the organization from his experiences with his disabled stepson. He has been involved with horses for the past 25 years.

"I'd push her around on horses and do all sorts of stuff you weren't supposed to do," he said. "She had fun, and she smiled, and that's what it's all about."

In 1990, Beasaw joined Easter Seals, another program to help the disabled, in creating the Rexford Center and opening First Impressions Farm.

The children are at the camp one day a week for an hour. There are approximately 95 students a week.

The camp focuses on many areas of disabilities, like children with Down syndrome, amputees and even children who are blind.

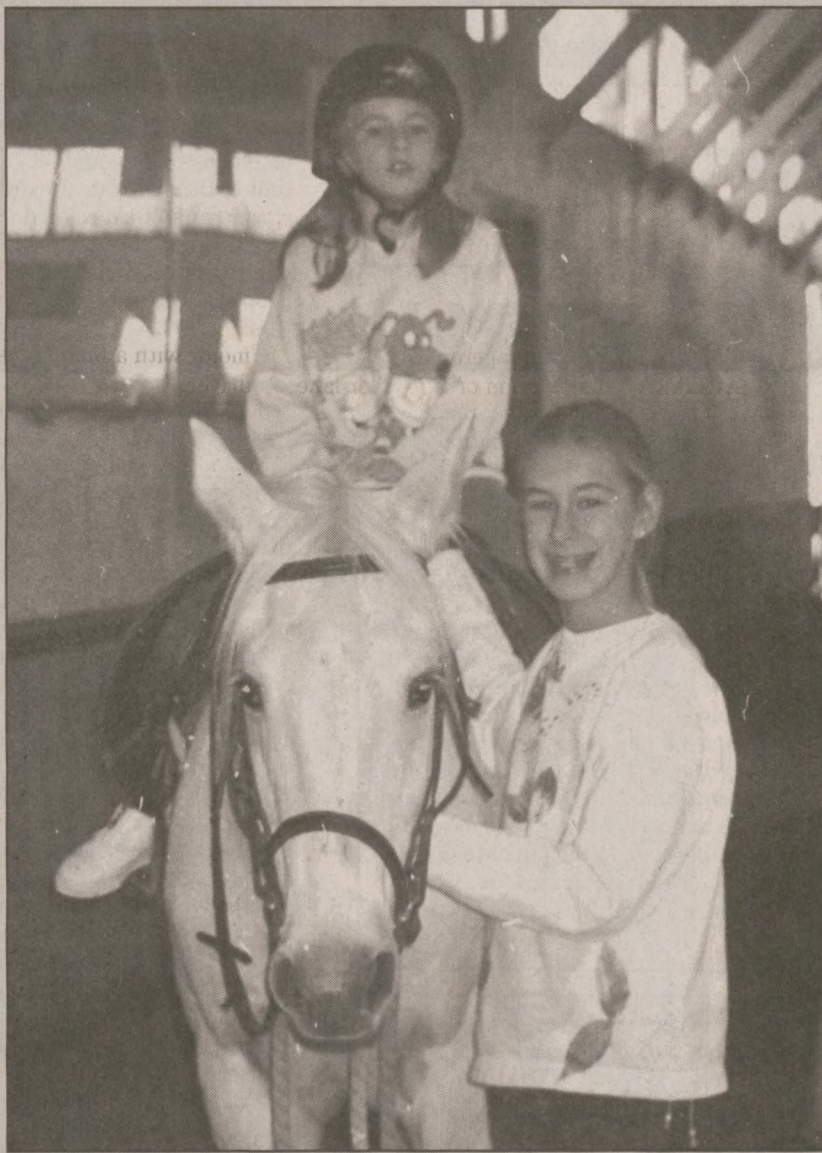
"We cater to all walks of life," said Beasaw.

Along with Beasaw, there are many volunteers from all over who help at the farm. During lessons, they help the instructor and students as they learn and practice the therapeutic exercises as well as offer them encouragement.

REACH, a community service organization at OU, has volunteered at First Impressions Farm in the past.

"We strive to be a campus resource between volunteer organizations and the student body," said Lora Reckow, senior and president of REACH.

The program's purpose is to provide OU students with an opportunity to serve their communities through volunteer work. Not only does the program benefit the children at First Impressions Farm, but it also has an affect on the volun-



Julie Anna Stuart/The Oakland Post

Volunteers guide horses around a course while the children ride along.

teers.

"We also recognize the impact that community service makes on a student's life and reflect on our volunteer experiences," said Reckow.

The goals of the program are to provide exercise, group socialization, visual stimulation, confidence and self-esteem as well as balance-coordination and flexibility, just to name a few.

"There are a lot of benefits physically and mentally," said Beasaw.

Students at OU seem to have a positive opinion towards the farm.

"I think the program is a good idea," said Mary Shultz, freshman.

"It would be a good thing to participate in after school."

As of now, there are no sponsors who are involved with the program, but Beasaw wishes there were some. He says the farm is trying to raise money to build a new center and any volunteers or sponsors would be appreciated.

For more information on First Impressions Farm, log onto www.rexfordcenter.com. For more information on joining the REACH program, visit the Center for Student Activities in the Oakland Center.

'HEAT' is on for thieves

JIM KAISER
STAFF WRITER

The HEAT is on for auto thieves.

Since the program began in 1985, Help Eliminate Auto Thefts, or HEAT, has helped lead to the arrest of more than 2,550 people for attempting to steal vehicles.

HEAT was formed by a group of Michigan insurance agencies plagued by the problems involved with auto theft.

HEAT works like a neighborhood watch program, but gives cash rewards to anyone who tips off the police about auto thieves. The thief or thieves committing the crime must be arrested and go to trial for any tip.

The program has paid out more than \$2.4 million to callers in Michigan and the program led to over \$36.7 million in recovery.

"Our statistics speak for themselves in terms of the results that we have been able to have," said Terri Miller, HEAT program director.

HEAT receives about 50-60 calls a month and pays tipsters on an average of 25 percent of the calls, according to Miller.

"If we make an arrest, you could be up to \$10,000 richer," said Miller.

Tipsters can be paid up to \$1,000 if their tip leads to the prosecution of a suspect, and up to \$10,000 if their tip results in the prosecution of a theft ring or chop shop.

"They were tired of paying claims for auto theft and wanted to do something about it that was helpful to both the insurance company as well as the general public," said Miller.

Along with tackling the problems of auto theft and vehicle related insurance fraud, HEAT has also helped in some higher profile arrests.

"We've had a number of different breakups of different theft rings," said Miller. "For example a few years ago there was a very large ring that was broken up that was stealing airbags."

HEAT does not force its tipsters to testify unless they want to, which it hopes will persuade more college-age students among others to report such crimes.

Some college students seem to back the program.

"I would most likely call," said Allison Haase, freshman. "It's a matter of protecting yourself and others."

The crime of auto theft is not a victimless crime, "Even if your car is not being stolen, everybody pays," said Miller.

Higher insurance rates are one of the effects of auto theft, which can hit students' wallets hard.

"I would want someone to call if they saw my car getting broken into," said Nicole Brown, junior.

HEAT also works with community programs to help sponsor events such as a VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) etching fair, where car owners can have the VIN number lightly etched into the glass on the car, significantly decreasing its value on the street.

Visit the program's web site at www.miheat.org for more information.

Great Lakes might add 6th member



Kimberly R. Patrick/The Oakland Post
Lake St. Clair has the potential to become a Great Lake.

ADAM L. NEAL
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

With 420 square miles of water, Lake St. Clair is known to some visitors as Harrison Township's own Great Lake. It may soon be known nationally as the official sixth Great Lake with a recent push by Macomb County environmentalists.

The push, led by chairman of the Macomb Water Quality Board Doug Martz, is to have Lake St. Clair recognized as a Great Lake so it can get federal aid.

"We want to bring attention to Lake St. Clair," Martz said.

Even though the 26-mile long lake is only about one-seventh the size of the smallest Great Lake, Lake Ontario, Martz and backers are focusing on the econom-

ics.

"There are more species of fish in Lake St. Clair than in any other fresh water lake in the world. It has the fish people like to eat," Martz said. "Thirty-three percent of the fish caught in the Great Lakes and Lake St. Clair are caught here, and 43 percent of all fishing is done here."

To make Lake St. Clair an official Great Lake, the U.S. Congress and Ontario governments both have to approve it.

Backers are seeking the approval of the nine-member Great Lakes Commission (GLC) to help the lake's case.

Martz and others, wearing and distributing pins saying, "Lake St. Clair, The Heart of The Great Lakes," met with the commission earlier this week and are now waiting. **Please see LAKE on B4**

Editorial

Numbers can be misleading

Mark Twain popularized the phrase, "Lies, damn lies and statistics." Students face number phobia because statistics can be a misleading source of information and therefore need careful scrutiny.

OU recently provided two examples of this. In a report posted on the OU website last Thursday, OUPD Police Chief Samuel Lucido reported campus was "safer than ever."

Though his statement is technically accurate, the actual data is more precise.

OUPD reported a decrease from 126 to 105 actual offenses in eight specific felony areas under uniform crime reports.

But, the 2001 overall OU crime statistics report showed that in the categories of assault and battery, fraud, vandalism, sex offenses, narcotics, driving under the influence of liquor and disorderly conduct, there was actually an increase in campus offenses.

In 2000, 89 crimes were reported, and in 2001 that number jumped to 116, an increase of 27 offenses over the previous year.

OU's campus is safe compared to larger schools such as U-M's Ann Arbor campus or urban schools such as WSU.

However it is imperative we search behind the press releases and website postings for an understanding of what the numbers mean realistically. Statistics can be manipulated to prove anything as evidenced by results in a report posted on OU's Career Services website.

The data in that report is skewed because it was based on the responses of only 31.5 percent of 2,555 recent graduates (2000-2001) who responded to the survey.

In one breakdown of the report it stated the College of Arts and Sciences had 169 undergraduate responses.

However, the report posted for public viewing said there were 150 responses, meaning a difference of 19. This is significant when dealing with smaller numbers within individual majors.

Based on the data it appears the hottest choices of major should be philosophy because the sole respondent claimed a salary of \$100,000 and a 100 percent job placement rate.

According to the report, 93.4 percent of undergraduates were employed after leaving school. That number represents just the 575 surveyed of the 1,702 who graduated. A 33.8 percent response does not sound as promising.

Confused? That's what numbers can do. The bottom line is be cautious when you're reading numbers: even when supplied by a trusted source because they might not mean what they suggest.



What's the point?

Letters to the Editor

Student worried about SFH Fishbowl, canopy

Dear Editor,

I have some real concerns about removing the canopies from North and South Foundation Halls. These trees that grace the entrance way to the Oakland Center would be cut down and replaced by a vestibule or entrance way that is not necessary and it would be a waste of money. Why waste more money on concrete?

It would be a shame to cut down the blue spruces and the Norweigan Firs that grace the walkway to the Oakland Center. These beautiful trees have taken hundreds of years to grow. Our money would be better spent on throw pillows

for the library, making it more comfortable to read in. Also, the Saints and Sinners statue which is gothic and satanic could be replaced by something more representative of the student body, like the grizzly bear. But don't cut down the trees.

A concerned student,
Connie Henson
Senior
Elementary Education

All letters to the editor must include a name, class rank and field of study or OU affiliation. Please limit letters to 450 words. Letters may be edited for content and length. *The Post* uses discretion and may reject any letter for any reason. Letters become property of *The Post*.

FEATURED COLUMNISTS

Diction or fiction



JENNIFER J. DECKER

Assistant News Editor

I have a confession. I am addicted to words.

A few of my favorites are ellipsis, saucy, saunter, Euripides (the Greek playwright), translucent and onomatopoeia, a word that imitates the sound it represents in poetry.

There are some words I can do without like phlegm, Republican and deadline.

Folks at tiny Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. have been com-

piling 27 years worth of the annual List of Words Banished from the Queen's English. The lists are found at www.lssu.edu/banished/

Whether it is for misuse, over use or general uselessness, nominations come from around the globe from the fields of politics, advertising, news, education and technology. The List is issued every New Year's Day.

This year's List suggested the word "friendly fire" and a Sault Ste. Marie resident wondered, "would unfriendly fire be less painful?" Hmmm.

Another Sault Ste. Marie resident recommended "frig" and "friggin" and referred to it as "a sneaky way of getting a version of the dreaded 'f' word on the radio and TV." Imagine

for a moment Jerry Hodak forecasting, "A friggin' frigid winter advisory is ahead."

Some words and phrases are products of their time like Reaganomics (1983), "fuzzy math" from the 2001 presidential debate, "read my lips" (1989) from George Porgie W.'s dad, and former Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger's invention: detente, (1976) meaning an easing of tensions between countries.

Another flaming oxymoron is the concept of large size petites from 1990.

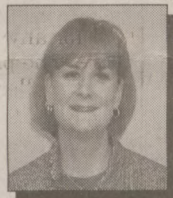
I have my own word nominations to add to the list starting with "like" above all else. It's not used as a comparison between two things or even to express fondness. For example the use of the word

'like' is redundant in this sentence: "So, I was like, 'hold on' and then she was like 'okay.'"

Another word in need of being knocked-off is "goes." Usually, it's used instead of the word "said." Case in point: "So, he like, goes, 'wassup?'" I know I am making English professors cringe, so I'll stop. My final words to jot onto the Banishment List include morph because it sounds like a toy, geese because they won't go away, OU parking, which I won't miss one bit when I graduate in December, and the Chartwell's bargain prices that we suffer.

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Generations of transportation



BARBARA SHEA POTE

Columnist

It's hard for us to comprehend, but when this university opened the year I was born, most people had never ventured more than 100 miles from home.

Despite the social shake-up caused by World War II and the economic boom in the post-war 1950s, few families owned a car. They lived and worked close to where they had grown up. All of their life's business was done by foot, bicycle, bus or horse.

At the turn of the century (the turn previous to this last one), if your relatives lived in Wayne or Graying, you probably never saw them. Traveling that far by horse

and wagon would be a complicated, dangerous ordeal. Lake Orion or any other lake in Oakland County were vacation destinations. The Fords, the Dodges and the Fisher brothers were the eccentric wealthy who could afford to live so far out of the city in Grosse Pointe, Birmingham and the wilds of northern Oakland County.

However, the Fords, the Dodges and the Fisher brothers made their money on our desire to venture forth, to go where no one (or at least ourselves) had never been. Thus an industry, a passion and a national obsession was born - owning cars.

I shared my first car with my Dad and younger sister. It was a powder-blue Plymouth Valiant that occasionally had to be started by creating an electrical arc in the engine with a screw driver. Only a teenager would

blithely poke at a running motor with a metal screw driver!

When I was first married I had a used, very used, Triumph MG Midget. It wasn't the cool British racing green but more of an acid trip puce. However, it was a cute, low to the ground and a convertible - what more does a 21-year-old need? Next was a brown box, a four-door Chevy Cavalier, yikes, what an old lady car!

My coolest car, by far, followed the brown box. It was a brand new, ocean blue Chevy Camaro. Man, I loved that car. I was the fastest, coolest, hottest chick, in my mind, in that car.

My life in cars to this point has skidded to a stop in the inevitable minivan. I fought and resisted a long time, but when we had our third child it seems the hospital wouldn't release her without proof of

minivan ownership. The choice between my daughter and the death of my cool factor was a tough one, but I made the right choice, I think. Everyone said you'll love it, you'll love the space, you'll love traveling in it, blah, blah, blah. They were right, but dreams die hard.

America is a mobile nation. We move permanently, we move temporarily, we move for education, we move for leisure, we move to something, we move away from something. All of this movement has changed our national mindset. Sometimes, I think we are mentally mobile or temporary as a result (but that's another column).

Our national mindset has given rise to several industries and industrial revolutions. It has also allowed De Lorean, Shelby and Laocca to think of the Mustang, Corvette and ... minivan.

Point/Counterpoint

Should the U.S. end financial aid to Israel?

Yes

BY BRYAN CONNOLLY
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

If the U.S. was serious about peace in the Middle East, it would end all aid to Israel until a peaceful solution is reached.

Israel knows that in case of a serious military situation, it can rely on the U.S. for arms and other necessities, including troops. Without the most powerful nation in the world backing it up, Israel would be more vulnerable to an attack by other nations in the region.

Palestinians are losing more land and rights with every passing day. They have no army. They have no stable government. They have no Big Brother to turn to.

The U.S. claims to advocate peace, yet we clearly side with Israel in terms of foreign relations.

The suicide bombings are an abomination, yet also the only option for an otherwise defenseless nation.

They are desperate actions by a desperate people watching their land, heritage and history slip away before their eyes. To say the U.S. is entirely responsible is a stretch, but backing

Israel with aid only condones what the Palestinians are fighting against.

Israel continues to move settlers into the occupied areas and bulldoze houses of families that have existed for generations. What should the Palestinians do, wait until all of their land is gone?

The ultimate irony is that what is happening now resembles what happened to Jewish people prior to and during World War II. How could the leaders of Israel be so blind to the similarities?

The Palestinian people need to elect a leader whose main concern is the life of its citizens. Yasser Arafat, like Ariel Sharon, is a warmonger. His goal is nothing short of the destruction of Israel, regardless of the loss of Palestinian lives. Leadership for both sides of the conflict needs to be changed. The U.S. could force change in the Israeli government by withholding aid to Israel until a leader is in place who is willing to negotiate a peaceful settlement.

As long as the U.S. supports Israel with money (\$2.7 billion per year), weapons (F-16 aircrafts) and threats of military force, Israel can keep forcing its will on the Palestinians, and face the repercussions of a desperate, faceless nation.

No

BY RANDY DUDEK
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

U.S. aid to Israel is not a major factor holding up the Middle East peace process, and Israel is not the only obstacle that is preventing the reaching of an amicable solution.

The key word here is amicable. A desire on the part of two parties not to quarrel. Two parties? Prime ministers of Israel come and go, yet Yasser Arafat still remains the supposed voice of the Palestinians. I see no personal feud on Ariel Sharon's side, he is merely finding the same roadblock to peace as his predecessors.

Not only will a cutting off of American aid not create peacefulness in the Middle East, it will be a definite hindrance to peace. Shortly after the state of Israel was founded, Egypt attempted an invasion, to pick on the new kid in the sand. Once the two nations were done warring, they developed a mutual respect for one another. To this day Egypt is the closest thing to an ally that Israel has in the region.

As far as the United States "giving" Israel guns, planes and military force,

Israel pays U.S. weaponry manufacturers. General Dynamics, a local company, has long benefited from foreign sales of tanks and other military vehicles. The loss of such revenue could be disastrous to the local economy.

Besides, Israel is a secure ally of America, a much safer venue for selling war goods, much more so than some previous benefactors of such gifts like Saddam Hussein and Osama bin Laden.

Cutting financial ties to Israel will guarantee a future of violence in the region, as well as, increase the world's chance of falling victim to a biological or nuclear incident.

The only chance for peace in the Middle East peace is to get leaders on both sides of the dispute who truly care about a peaceful resolution to this problem. Only then will this violent quarrel come to an end.

Correction:

The article called "Hispanic heritage celebrated" in the Oct. 2 issue should have noted that J.P. Spicer-Escalante is an assistant professor.

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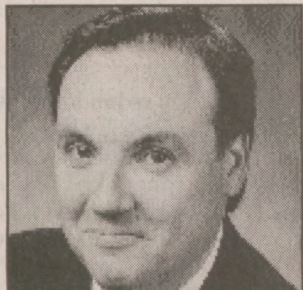
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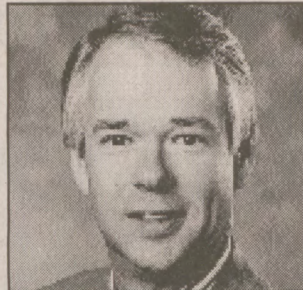
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committed to helping others. It has refocused my goal of becoming the best educator I can be," he said.

Compton represents AmeriCorps Oakland at the state level. The Michigan Community Service Commission nominated him for USA Freedom Corps greeter and Ketelsen followed up with a letter of recommendation.

The Freedom Corps is Bush's signature service organization and part of his appeal to Americans to dedicate two years of their lives to the service of others.

This was Bush's seventh visit to Michigan and also a rallying effort for the Republican candidates in the upcoming elections. Last summer Bush visited the OU campus with Polish President Alexander Kwasniewski.

Elizabeth Pellerito, junior, in her second term as an AmeriCorps member, holds Compton in high esteem. She tutors first through sixth graders three days a week and serves them dinner twice a week at All Saints Episcopal Church in Pontiac.

"I had to adjust to a different way of looking at things. I went to a private Birmingham school and so understanding students who don't have enough food to eat is something else," Pellerito said of her experiences.

"I get 40 hugs every day from the children whose faces light up when they see us. The larger benefits are obvious, but it's all the little things that really make the difference," she said.

OU President Gary Russi said,

"AmeriCorps is an outstanding program ... It helps build strong character in our students, and it provides them with a sense of civic pride and accomplishment that they'll remember for the rest of their lives ... They have become mentors and role models for school children throughout the area, and great ambassadors for Oakland University."

The focal point of AmeriCorps Oakland is tutoring and mentoring elementary school children in Pontiac who are struggling academically, according to Ketelsen. The teachers typically select between five and seven students with difficulties, and the student members work with them (particularly in the area of reading and mathematics) during the school day or in an after school program.

According to a survey done by AmeriCorps last year, 89 percent of the students who participated in the one-on-one tutoring improved academically.

"The lasting impact, however, is on the college student," Ketelsen said. "It's a great opportunity to develop leadership skills. It is an eye-opener to social injustice and many students become political activists for causes."

Traditionally, the program has pulled in many education, sociology and psychology majors, but, according to Ketelsen, this year saw a much more diverse range of majors. This year recorded the second highest number of applicants in the program's history. Last year Ketelsen saw the greatest response because of a post-Sept. 11 interest.

TICKETS

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fourth step. The final stage is the confirmation page, which should be printed out and kept as a record.

OU issued 324 parking citations in the first week of school, which was down from 571 citations the first week last year.

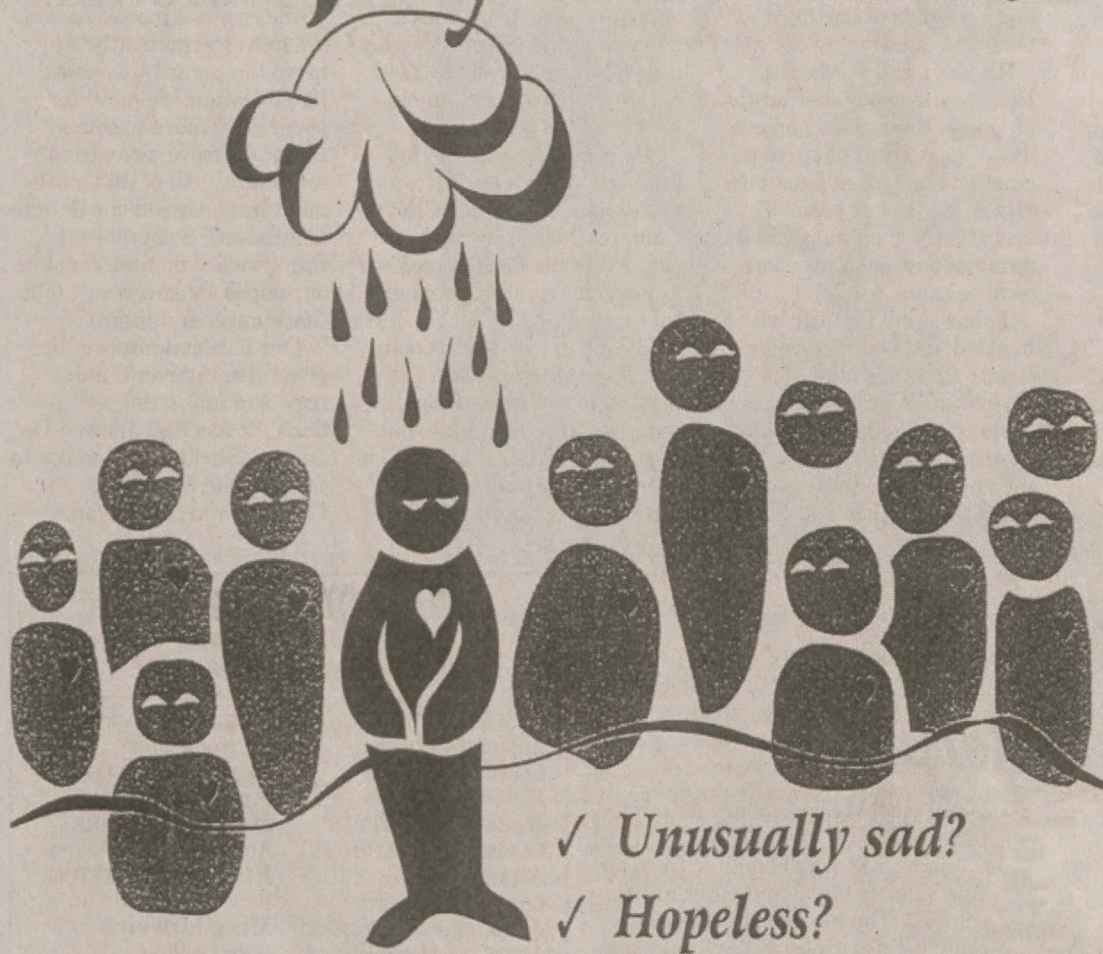
Tomczak said it is too soon to tell how much the site is actually being used, but he does know students have been using it.

The downside to this payment system is for every transaction made on-line, there is a \$3.95 service charge.

Bryan Mason, sophomore, said he likes the idea only if the money goes toward the addition of more university parking.

"We just want to make it convenient for people instead of paying in person," Tomczak said.

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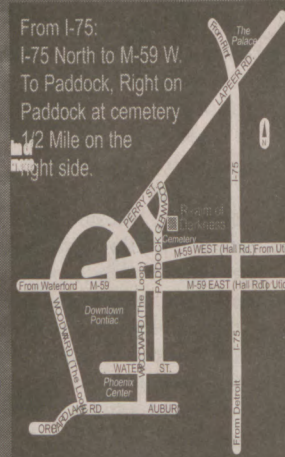
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Madness at midnight

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

More than 2,000 students packed into the O'rena for Midnight Madness on Friday night, excited to kick off the men's and women's college basketball seasons.

"It's beyond excitement," women's head basketball coach Beckie Francis said. "It's exhilarating. I have goose bumps."

"Student Congress did a great job of implementing all these different groups around here. It's just great for the university."

Midnight Madness marks the beginning of college basketball season because both the men's and women's teams are allowed to have their first full-team practices at 12:01 a.m. Saturday.

Many schools celebrate the opening of the season by holding late-night celebrations full of food, fans and contests. OU's version of Midnight Madness was exciting for both the players and coaches who took the floor just after midnight, and all the students who showed their school spirit.

The doors to the O'rena opened at 10:15 p.m., but students lined up around the building to get in before that. Students were enticed by free admission and a free tuition raffle at the end of the night.

"I show my Griz Gang spirit," senior Michael Janda said. "This is my last semester here, and I am going to try and get involved as much as I can."

Free t-shirts provided by Student Congress were given to the first 1,000 people through the doors. Pepsi, 93.1 WDRQ, 98 WJLB, the OU Bookstore and the Student Affairs Division also teamed up to sponsor Midnight Madness.

Making its first appearance this season, the newly reformed OU Pep Band performed throughout the evening, and will support the basketball team's home games this season.

The big winners of the evening were Anne Sisso, junior, and Alan Jones, senior, who won the raffle for free tuition for the winter semester.



The crowd gets pumped up as they await the first glimpse of this season's OU basketball teams. Over 2,000 students packed the O'rena to cheer on their teams during Midnight Madness on Friday.

The raffle was the final and most anticipated event of the evening. A total of 10 names, five men and five women, were drawn and each person was asked to come to the O'rena floor. The men's and women's names were separated into barrels and drawn in reverse order. The last names drawn won free tuition.

The evening began with a student versus faculty basketball game that was scheduled to have two halves of 10 minutes each. With just under four minutes left in the second half, with students up 28-21, the game was called so that the rest of the night's activities could remain on schedule.

After the game, one of the event's two laser light shows took place. The display was accompanied by music and created a party-like atmosphere.

Following the laser light display, the OU dance team, Images, took the floor

and showed off a routine that added to the growing fervor in the O'rena.

The festivities continued when six of the students judged most spirited were brought down to the O'rena floor. Each contestant was given five seconds to show the most school spirit possible.

Two finalists were selected by the crowd, with each person getting another five seconds to prove their superior enthusiasm. The winner took home a \$100 gift certificate to the OU Bookstore and the runner-up took home a duffel bag.

Then the Intrigue Hip-Hop Dance Team took the floor. The 23-member group was founded three years ago, but this was the first time it performed at an OU event.

Every member of Intrigue is a student at OU, and around 30 percent of them plan on pursuing dance professionally,

the team's president Shaquonda Binion, sophomore, said.

"We're not here to eliminate Images," Binion said. "We give them their respect because they are the dance team of OU. Intrigue is here to expose the university to something new and fresh."

Following the new-age dance performance, three students competed in a slam dunk competition, where each contestant was given two chances to earn the highest score possible from the panel of judges.

The winner of the high-flying display of athletic ability was also given a \$100 gift certificate for the OU Bookstore.

Junior Vincent Stevens walked away with the evening's next prize, a raffle worth \$100 cash.

"I wasn't expecting this," Stevens said. "I know my friends are going to be all over me (about the money). I might as

Apple orchards fun for fall

BY DAN AGAUAS
STAFF WRITER

Charlene Schmidt sat on a picnic bench at Yate's Cider Mill one autumn afternoon. She watched as her daughter and grandchildren meandered along the Clinton River bank while she enjoyed the crisp fall weather.

"We came to get cider and donuts," Schmidt said. "Just to come on an October day and to sit and enjoy the weather. It's just nice out here, streams and trees changing color."

Like Schmidt, many people are choosing to spend their free time at cider mills. But before going, there is plenty to consider besides just donuts.

Three popular local cider mills are Blake's Cider Mill on 36 Mile Road and Romeo Plank, Westview Cider Mill on 30 Mile Road and Van Dyke and Yate's Cider Mill on 23 Mile Road and Dequindre Roads. They were rated on their food, attractions, cost, cleanliness and unique features.

Blake's biggest advantage is their apple orchards. At \$14 for a half of a bushel and \$22 for one bushel, customers can hand pick their choice of 30 varieties of apple.

"I think the size is the difference," worker Krystal Kotulski said. "This orchard is bigger than anything I've been to. We also have three different buildings to purchase apples and cider."

Blake's also has a large entertainment area for both adults and children. A \$7.75 pass buys a hayride, petting farm, haunted village and cornfield maze. There are also pumpkin and berry patches.

According to Pete Blake, co-owner of Blake's, the cider mill was the first in the area to promote activities beyond the sale of apples and donuts. They have had an impact on the public since 1946.

"We were the first to invite the public

for entertainment," Blake said. "We get a lot of school groups and have a Disney-like animated barn. Every year we try to add a new aspect to keep it interesting."

While Blake's has the dominant orchard, Yate's has an advantage with its location and scenery.

Donna and Dave Meli have been visiting Yate's since they were teenagers. Now they bring their three children to enjoy it.

"We like this one because of the long (nature) trail and outdoor activities," Meli said. "For walking around and cider, we come here."

The outdoor activities include a petting zoo and pony rides. Plus, the public can watch the operation of the mill. Yate's is still powered by the water mill and a railroad car still removes apple debris, just like when it opened in 1863.

Apples are shipped from local Michigan farms in refrigerated trailers.

Dee Posey, daughter-in-law to Les Posey, who is the co-owner of Yate's, believes the secret to the cider mill's success is the scenery and proximity.

"It's not too far out, so people don't have to spend the whole day here," Posey said. "For one thing, when I



Yate's Cider Mill in Rochester offers food and fun for OU students and area residents.

came here from the Farmington area, it was nice to have a lot of land." Yate's boasts 80 acres of property.

While Yate's is close and scenic, Westview prides itself on customer satisfaction.

Since 1813, Westview has belonged to the same family for six generations and has operated on the same land. Mike Bowerman originally received the land for serving in the War of 1812.

Abigail Jacobson is the co-owner and wife of Bill Jacobson, assistant manager of Westview. She is also a graduate of OU with a bachelor's in science and chemistry.

"We still continue to grow quality fruits and vegetables, but we added entertainment to survive," Jacobson said.

Some of the new entertainment is a petting farm, a straw mountain, a 2.2 mile corn maze and hayrides. An all day pass costs \$6.

Westview also prides itself on selling quality goods. According to Jacobson, Westview only sells the "perfect apples" from their own orchards.

Jacobson also makes sure customers are having fun. As he watched the apple cider production, he took the time to talk with one customer. "How

are you doing today?" he asked.

"Enjoying yourself?"

Finally, all three cider mills strive for sanitary excellence, Blake's and Westview are members of the Michigan Cider Makers' Guild (CMG) and all three comply with Michigan Department of Agriculture requirements.

The CMG requires members to follow strict guidelines for producing apple cider.

Jacobson makes sure that only quality apples go into the cider. Westview has a policy where apples that are severely damaged or have fallen on the floor will be thrown away. Those that pass inspection are washed thoroughly.

"I'm going to pat myself on the back again," Jacobson said. "We wash the apples two times, once before they arrive to the cider mill and once with chlorine dioxide."

Blake's and Yate's use a different method to produce clean cider. Instead of rinsing the apples in chlorine dioxide, they use flash pasteurization, a process in which the cider is subject to brief, intense heat to kill bacteria.

"We can get cider to last four to five weeks without changing the temperature," said Blake. "It improves the quality of our product."

Posey said their cider mill does everything it can to "provide a safe environment."

Although safety and sanitation rarely cross a visitor's mind, the fun of the trip always does.

One mother was on a field trip with her son and his Boy Scout troop at Westview's orchard. She sat underneath a tent and watched as the kids climbed an enormous pyramid made of straw.

"I think it's a real nice place," Jackie Medellim said. "We like to see smiles on the kids' faces."

Pfeiffer blooms in 'Oleander'

BY JIM KAISER
STAFF WRITER

"White Oleander" is a film about a girl trying to simply figure out who she is and what has happened to her.

After her mother, Ingrid (Michelle Pfeiffer), kills her boyfriend and is sentenced to life in prison, Astrid (Alison Lohman) has her life violently turned upside down. She is thrown from foster home to foster home in a life filled with tragedy.

Set in Los Angeles, Calif., the location of the film contrasts harsh emotions with a laid back place. The nature of the film however is anything but laid-back.

Astrid, who is struggling to survive emotionally, is forced to deal with feelings of abandonment, depression, rage and forgiveness. Just when she thinks she is going to overcome these feelings, something happens to bring them up again.

Directed by Peter Kosminsky, the film is an emotional drama that borders on "chick-flick" status. Alison Lohman delivers an excellent performance in what will truly be her break-out role. Michelle Pfeiffer also gives a great performance, seeming to capture her character's intolerance and strength very well.

Also delivering a great performance was Renee Zellweger who plays the role of Claire Richards, one of Astrid's foster mothers.

The plot of the film moves along at a moderate pace, and every scene is packed with emotions, events and issues. It successfully tackles the obstacle of displaying a complex world that offers no easy explanations. Viewers literally get to see this character grow up on the screen.

The film mixes a complex story line with very intense acting making this film a sure hit for viewers and a true work of art.

WHITE OLEANDER
Rated PG-13
Running time: 110 minutes



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Hispanic Heritage Musical
"Tres Vidas," 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.,
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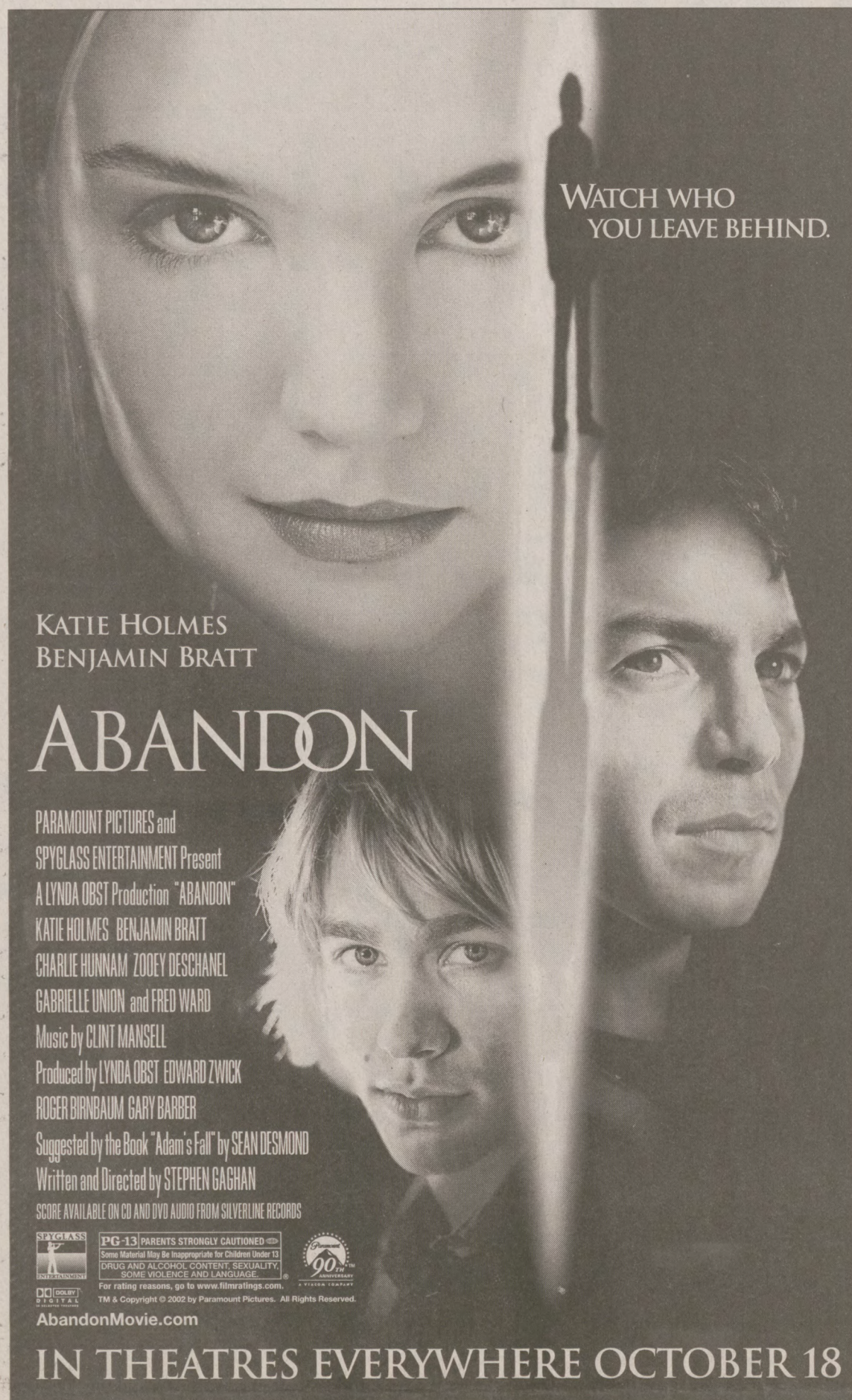
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MBAG: "No Joy in Mudville" Installations by Eric Mesko, 208 Wilson Hall. Installations at this exhibit are discovered objects that reflect the American dream, nostalgia and reality.

•Oct. 18
Reading by Marge Piercy 4 p.m., 201 Dodge Hall.

Author, poet, playwright and essayist Marge Piercy will read from her work. A reception and book signing will follow. This is free and open to the public.



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Hall of Honor expands

By RANDY DUDEK
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The member list of the Hollie L. Lepley Hall of Honor grew by five athletes and one coach on Saturday. Tracy Huth, women's swimming and diving coach from 1987-98 was inducted along with Dario DeFazio (diving), Gray Haizel (soccer), Karen Piper (volleyball), Mari Walton (soccer) and Chris Zoltak (swimming).

In addition to the inductees, William Macauley was honored with the George Wibby Award for service to the university and Hugh Elliott was presented with the Gary D. Russi Community Service Award.

Huth is the only person to be inducted into the Hall of Honor twice, having been previously honored as a swimmer in 1990.

During his time at the helm of the swim team, the Pioneers won five NCAA Division II championships.

Under his watch, 21 OU individuals won national championships and relay teams earned an additional 21 national titles.

DeFazio, a three-time national champion, was the 1994 NCAA Div. II diver of the year and has twice represented his home country of Venezuela in the Summer Olympic Games.

He holds every school and Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) record on the one- and three-meter diving boards, as well as holding the final diving records at OU's previous pool. DeFazio is currently the diving coach at the University of Miami (Fla.)

Haizel was OU's first two-time soccer All-American, receiving the award in 1985 and 1986. He is still the school's single-season record holder, totaling 19 assists in 1986.

He ranks second among OU players with 42 assists over his collegiate career. Haizel scored 22 goals as a Pioneer.

Haizel is currently active in his hometown of Monrovia, Liberia where he is a coach in the Liberian premier league.

Piper, the only woman honored this year, was OU's first ever All-American in volleyball. A four-year letter winner, she also lettered in basketball twice. Piper led the Pioneers to their first-ever NCAA Div. II tournament berth in 1993.

"I couldn't have been honored without the help of my teammates. I want to thank each of them."

She returned to OU as a graduate student and will graduate in May 2003 as a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA).

"It was more than I ever expected," said Piper. "Having the ceremony on the gym

floor was nice because it was sentimental having played in the old Lepley Building. I was very honored."

Walton is the only OU soccer player to be a three-time All-American honoree, leading the Pioneers to four NCAA Div. II tournaments, including one trip to the championship game. He is still the school record holder in career assists and fifth in career points.

He is currently a member of the Rochester (N.Y.) Raging Rhinos of the United Soccer League.

Zoltak is arguably the greatest swimmer in OU history, earning 28 Div. II All-American honors during his four years at the school. This feat has only been matched by Huth himself. Zoltak won 15 national championship

titles, both individual and relays.

Zoltak holds the seven fastest 100 backstroke times in OU history. He also holds the school record in the 100m backstroke at 48.75 seconds. He still holds the NCAA Div. II record for the fastest 50-yard butterfly split at 21.23 seconds.

The award recipients are also official members of the Hall of Honor.

Macauley, the Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, has been a 24-year member of the OU athletic family in numerous capacities. As the NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative, he serves as the liaison between the university, the athletes and the NCAA.

Elliott, who also has his name on the new business school, is a courtside season ticket holder for men's basketball and is the namesake of the Hugh and Nancy Elliott Room in the O'rena. Elliott's most recent endeavor is establishing the President's Invitational, a major fundraiser for OU athletics.

In addition to the inductees, two Pioneer teams from 1982 held a 20-year anniversary ceremony.

The women's basketball team was the first ever OU squad to appear in an NCAA tournament. The team posted a 27-5 overall record while going undefeated in its GLIAC season, the first school from the Div. II conference to do so. The Pioneers finished fourth in the nation while posting victories over Div. I intrastate rivals MSU, EMU, CMU, WMU and UD-M.

The men's soccer team from the following fall was the second OU team to qualify for NCAA tournament play. The Pioneers advanced to the semifinals before bowing out to Florida International University, 3-2 in overtime. That team still holds OU records for ties (four),



Photo courtesy of 20 Toe Photo
Newly inducted OU Hall of Honor men's soccer alumnus Mari Walton now plies his trade for the Rochester (NY) Raging Rhinos of the United Soccer League.

shutouts (13) and goals per game (0.73).

"There are two main things that I still remember from that season," said Nick O'Shea, current OU women's soccer coach and a member of that team. The first is the goal that Dandy Oskey scored in the game against Lock Haven that pretty much clinched an NCAA tournament berth for us. That and, unfortunately, the goal that FIU scored to knock us out of the tournament."

"We had a 2-1 lead in that game, but FIU tied us, then took the lead," said OU men's head soccer coach Gary Parsons,

who coached that team. "It was 90-some-degree degrees outside, and we couldn't hang with a very talented FIU squad who went on to win the championship."

"The thing that really sticks out in my mind (from the 1982 team) is the lasting friendships that came out of it," said O'Shea. "A lot of guys are still coaching in the area, and I see some of them quite often. A lot of the guys I'm working with in other projects or coaching against."

"There are a couple of people that I haven't seen in a while, and it was nice to see them again."



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post
Sophomore midfielder Michael Martin applies pressure during OU's 3-1 victory over the Spartans of MSU last Wednesday.

volleyed the ball for his second goal of the game.

Weise was able to push aside the Spartans' attempts at a come back.

"We wanted to come out on our home field and give it to them," said Perry. "I know a lot of the guys on their team, and I played with some of them over the summer. There was a lot of jabbering

going back and forth, and I am glad we came out on top today."

At 4 p.m. today the Grizzlies host Ohio State University. The Buckeyes enter the game with an 8-4 record.

OU plays a crucial conference game at 7 p.m. Saturday when the team travels to face Mid-Con foe Oral Roberts.



CHRIS LUCKRITZ

Guest Columnist

Pistons hope for same result with new faces

"First of all, I want to thank Jerry Stackhouse, Brian Cardinal and Ratko Varda for everything they have done for our organization," Joe Dumars, Pistons' president said after trading then-team leader Jerry Stackhouse to the Washington Wizards for a young, talented scorer in Richard "Rip" Hamilton.

Now the Detroit Pistons are beginning the 2002/03 season without a proven scorer and team leader. Stack made many sacrifices during last year's 50-32 season, leading the team to a Central Division title and to the second round of the playoffs for the first time in twelve years.

In comes a new face, "Rip" Hamilton, to hopefully lead the Pistons further into the playoffs and possibly to the NBA Finals.

Along with Hamilton, point guard Chauncey Billups, signed as a free agent this year, takes over the reigns from last year's starter Chuckie Atkins. Zeljko Rebraca will be the starting center in place of Clifford Robinson. In all, only two of last year's starters will be back, Ben Wallace and Michael Curry.

The Pistons' 2001 first round draft pick is gone too, sent to Denver for former Piston Don Reid, Mengke Bateer and a first round draft pick in the 2003 NBA draft. Bateer didn't even have a chance to report to training camp before being traded to the San Antonio Spurs for a second round pick in the 2003 draft.

His replacement is the 6'9" swingman from the University of Kentucky, Tayshaun Prince. He actually spent four complete years at U-K and even managed to graduate. Prince averaged nearly eight points and eight assists per game in the NBA summer league.

He is another player who will help fill the void left by the Stackhouse trade.

With Curry getting up in years, a young small forward like Prince is exactly what the Pistons need to complete a one-two punch on the offensive and defensive ends.

And sixth man of the year, Corliss Williamson, is not going anywhere. The addition of Prince will not take any minutes away from Corliss. If Prince's minutes do increase, they will more than likely be taken from the starter, Curry.

In fact, Curry could lose more than minutes to Prince in the long run. He could lose his starting job.

That would leave four new faces on the Pistons' starting five.

The team is now younger, faster and, perhaps, smarter. Starting off the preseason with two consecutive wins against division rivals Toronto and Cleveland, the team has proven in both wins that they can come back from a double-digit deficit.

Some believe that the team chemistry the Pistons built last year might have left with Stack, and with Billups starting over Atkins, there is a chance they might have some animosity towards one another.

But Atkins has stated that he supported the move to bring Billups in from the beginning.

Billups' size will be a great addition to what has become a versatile starting unit. Atkins and Billups could even see time together on the floor.

There will be times when the team clicks, and then there will be times when they will crumble, but, hopefully, the team will give fans something to cheer about.

No one can know for sure how far this team will go this season, but if someone can step up and fill the void left by Stack's departure, the Pistons can surely compete for a chance at the NBA championship.

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'Disappointing' week for Grizz

By ZVONKO BLAZEWSKI
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The OU men's soccer team lost to Mid-Con opponent Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis, 2-1, on the road Saturday.

The loss dropped the Golden Grizzlies' record to 5-4-2 overall and 1-1 in the conference.

"We did not play well enough to beat a team that we should have beaten," said head coach Gary Parsons. "That is as disappointing as you can get. We lost an opportunity to go to 2-0 in the conference."

OU outshot IUPUI 18-13 for the game and 9-7 in the first half.

The Golden Grizzlies struck first in the 38th minute on a goal from sophomore forward Philip Braathen. Braathen took the free kick after an IUPUI foul from the top of the penalty box and scored.

The Jaguars tied the game in the 58th minute when the Golden Grizzlies were unable to clear the ball from their defensive zone. IUPUI got the loose ball in the box and was able to beat OU freshman goalkeeper Jeff Weise on the left post for the goal from eight yards out.

IUPUI scored the game winner only nine minutes before the end of regulation as defender Ben Higginbotham moved up to join

the attack in the midfield. Higginbotham, who has six goals this season, took a pass from Mike Sullivan and fired a left-footed shot that beat Weise to the lower left corner. Weise had five saves for the Golden Grizzlies.

Sophomore midfielder Doug Rice had to leave the game with a knee injury in the 54th minute that might keep him out for the rest of the season.

Last Wednesday, OU defeated MSU, 3-1 at home, following two goals from freshman midfielder Chris Edwards.

The Spartans entered the game with a 7-3-0 record.

The Golden Grizzlies dominated play for the majority of the first half, outshooting the Spartans, 17-5.

"We played very well," said Parsons. "It was one of our best performances. To give the guys credit, they played better when they got behind, and we just kept the pressure going."

"They beat us last year and the guys who played last year felt we didn't play up to our potential, so we wanted to prove this is still a good program."

OU had a chance in the 9th minute to take the early lead when sophomore midfielder Shahar Ktovim's shot hit the top crossbar and came out to Edwards, whose subsequent shot was caught by the Spartans' goalkeeper.

Two minutes after the Golden Grizzlies hit the crossbar, the Spartans scored off a free kick. OU did not get flustered though, as it continued to put pressure on MSU. In the 20th minute, junior midfielder Anders Vollen's beat a Spartan defender and let loose a blast from 25 yards that was tipped over the net for a corner.

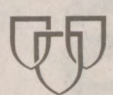
The Golden Grizzlies tied the game in the 27th minute on a goal from Edwards. Sophomore defender Ryan Rzepka sent a pass into the box to sophomore forward Michael Martin.

Martin's shot was stopped, but Edwards collected the rebound and recorded the goal.

In the second half, the Spartans outshot the Golden Grizzlies, 7-6, but OU was able to create the better chances and finish.

OU took the lead in the 52nd minute. Junior defender Jason Perry's cross found Ktovim in the box. Ktovim, with his back to the goal, was able to head the ball past the MSU goalkeeper from five yards out for the game winner.

The Golden Grizzlies added an insurance goal in the 61st minute when Vollen, in the middle of the field, found Rzepka with a pass on the left side of the field. Rzepka sent in a cross to an unmarked Edwards, who half



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Cancer can be treated with surgery, radiation therapy, chemotherapy, hormone therapy or biological therapy, but doctors may use one or a combination of treatments.

Dr. Virinder Moudgil, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost of OU, and his research team of undergraduate and graduate students from OU, have done extensive research on the "fundamentals" of breast cancer.

Moudgil says only 10 percent of breast cancer patients have a family history of breast cancer, leaving 90 percent of patients acquiring breast cancer at some stage in their life.

"There is no way to prevent breast cancer," Talarek said. But Moudgil says by leading a

"clean life" a person can lower or prolong the risk of breast cancer.

By eating well, exercising regularly and not smoking a person can try to lower their risk of cancer, Moudgil said.

Dr. Don Schroder, a general surgeon at St. John Hospital's East Campus, agrees. "Although you cannot stop breast cancer, a person can try to lower the risk," he also recommended a low fat diet including all of the main food groups.

The Van Elslander Cancer Center reported a healthy diet is useful and suggests eating a variety of foods every day including fiber, fruits and vegetables (especially those which contain vitamin A and C).

"The risk for a 20-year-old is certainly different from risk for an 80-year-old. However, when

breast cancer does occur in young women it is typically more aggressive," Talarek said.

For that reason Talarek strongly recommends young women get in the habit of monthly breast exams.

According to Schroder, women ages 20 and older should examine their own breasts monthly. At the age of 35 women should have a "baseline" mammogram. At 40, women should start yearly mammograms, she said.

By starting young, and forming a habit, maybe monthly breast exams will earn a permanent stop on women's monthly list of things to do.

For more information about breast cancer, the Graham Health Center has information on self breast exams and early detection in its front lobby.

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tion than most residential schools.

"Most students are working while they are here," Schartman said. "We have a different kind of student population."

"Fields and professions change as time goes on," Thomas said.

He referred to the fact that 20 years ago people were able to be engineers without a college degree, but now degrees are valued higher in considering a person for a job.

"Ask Bill Gates how many people he hires without a degree," Thomas said.

The survey is based only on the total who responded to the survey.

Another portion of the survey showed 19.76 percent of the undergrads surveyed went on to grad school right after graduation and 5.73 percent of grad students were continuing on to another graduate level.

Thomas said higher graduate school enrollment directly after graduation can be related to economic slow times.

Thomas said that in the Career Service area it is easy to see the economic slow downs coming early on. He saw it in early Jan. 2001.

"We saw it in our recruiting in January," Thomas said.

According to Thomas, the good news is it's up now from 2000-2001. However, that does not mean it's not still taking the toll on certain professions.

"The ones (majors) it's toughest for, is technology majors like the MIS and computer science," said Thomas.

Thomas said Career Services is looking for new ways to get students to respond to the survey.

"We haven't been permitted to do mass e-mails," said Thomas. "I think they are going to loosen that up next year. It's cheaper to send e-mail."

Thomas said he could bring a company in to do a more extensive survey but he has a budget to work with and that would be costly.

"You can only do what you have the hands to do," Thomas said. "We can do it cheaper."

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ng for the GLC's answer.

"The shape (of the lake) looks just like a human heart. In fact, it is the heart of the Great Lakes with it being in the middle," Martz said. "But the heart needs some work to clean it up, with federal money."

Martz has been trying to clean up the lake since June 13, 1994 when he saw "a billion gallons of sewage pouring into the lake from the Clinton River."

Martz admits he didn't think this campaign would get this big this fast, but he has done dozens of TV, radio and newspaper interviews since he first pushed for the campaign.

According to the GLC, 6 million people depend on Lake St. Clair for drinking water and 3,000 commercial vessels pass through it each year. There are 150,000 recreational boats registered in the counties bordering Lake St. Clair.

Martz believes anglers like Lake St. Clair because it is not as intimidating as some of the Great Lakes. The average depth of Lake St. Clair is only 10 feet, and its deepest spot is 21 feet, where Lake Superior is more than 1,000 feet deep, according to the GLC.

A similar push happened to Lake Champlain in northern Vermont and New York in 1998, but failed from lack of support. Martz wants to make sure this doesn't happen to Lake St. Clair.

"I am an avid fisherman and I don't like what is happening to the lake," Martz said. "Some call it the forgotten lake, others call it the lost lake. I want to make it the found lake."

Club hockey thwarts Streak

By Mike Larson
Special to The Oakland Post

In another tune-up for the Division II season of the Great Midwest Hockey League (GMHL) season, the OU men's club hockey team embarked upon a two-game winning streak, claiming victories against Division I foe John Carroll University.

Friday night's contest, which took place at the Onyx in Rochester, had the Grizzlies taking it to the Blue Streak, winning the game by a 6-2 margin.

The win marked this season's first victory over a Division I team after a loss and a tie against WMU the weekend before.

The first period had OU scoring twice to take a 2-0 lead into the second period. Junior defenseman Dan Olesky and freshman forward Will McMahon scored the goals.

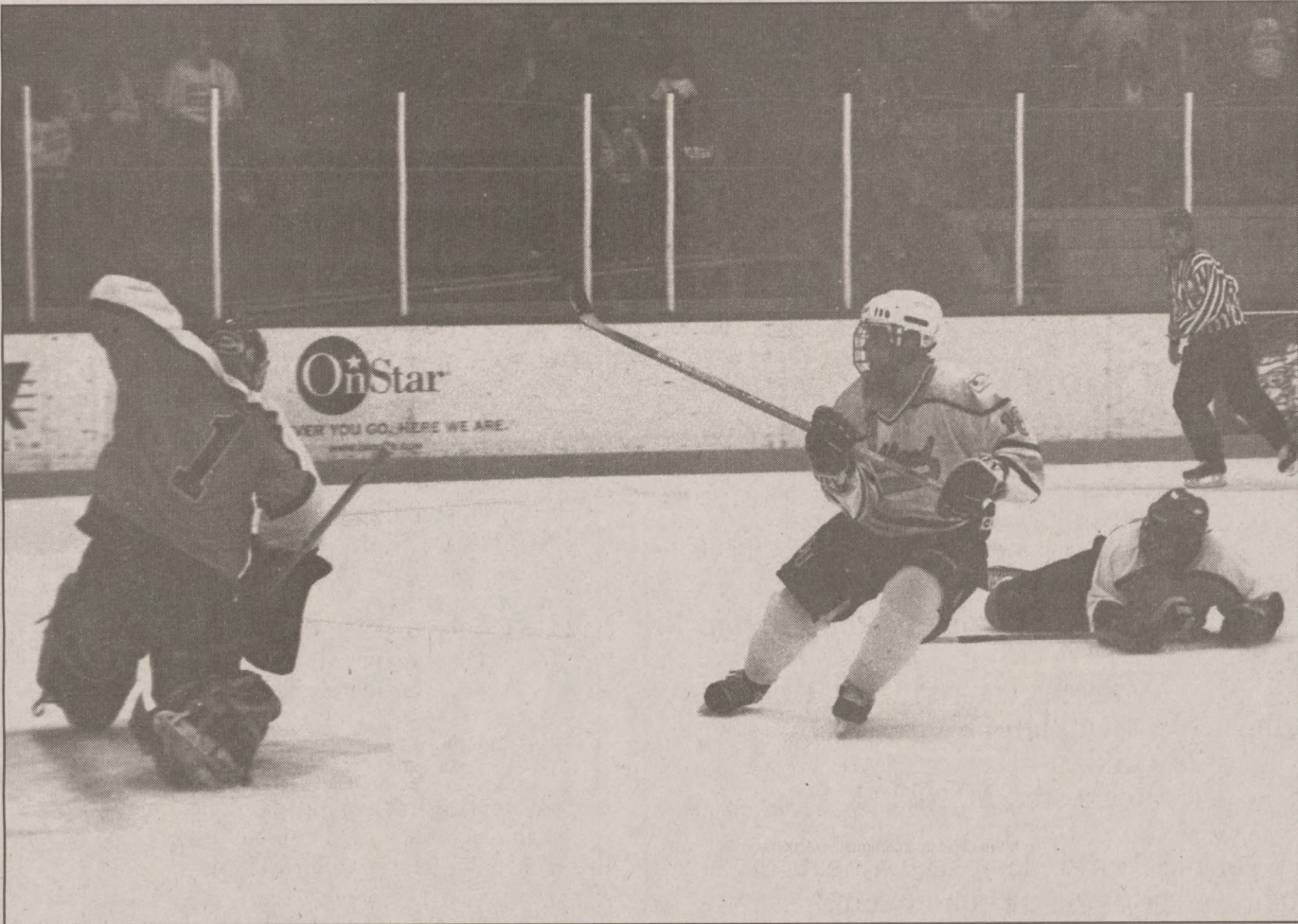
JCU answered in the second period with a goal. However, McMahon, scoring his second goal of the game, answered right back with the game winner, his fifth goal of the season.

As the third period began, the Grizzlies had a 3-1 lead. The Blue Streak would score once more in the third, to bring the score to 3-2, but that's as close as they would get to tying the score.

With three unanswered goals by senior forward Scott Marlinga, sophomore forward Ryan Teasdale, and senior defenseman, captain Karl Borgquist, OU would preserve the breakout victory. Senior goalie Shaun Zeldes made 26 saves to pick up the win in net.

When asked about this team's potential, Marlinga said, "I'm very confident about our chances at going to nationals again. We have a great group of guys, and it showed in our play tonight."

The Gilmour Academy Ice Arena in



Freshman standout Will McMahon beats the goalie top-shelf during an early season game. McMahon, pacing the team with 12 points, has been the offensive leader for the Grizzlies, who have roared to a record of 3-1-1 before starting league play.

Cleveland, where the second contest of the home and home series took place, was filled, not only with hockey players and fans, but also with the sounds of whistles.

"This had to be one of the worst officiated games I have ever witnessed," said associate coach Vladimir Bacik.

After all the smoke had cleared and the game had ended, a total of 179 penalty minutes had been assessed.

OU's special teams were up to the challenge as their power play went 3-6 en route to their third victory of the season in the 7-4 win over JCU.

The Grizzlies also dominated when the

Blue Streak had the man advantage, keeping JCU off the scoreboard on nine of 10 power play chances and scoring five shorthanded tallies.

The Grizzlies opened the game with Marlinga and Olesky scoring back-to-back shorthanded goals to start off the opening frame.

JCU eked out a goal to pull within one, but Marlinga struck again before the end of the period, putting OU up by a 3-1 margin.

Scoring in the second period was slow as both teams exchanged a goal, with McMahon scoring for the Grizzlies.

OU came out of the locker room for the third period looking to put the game away. A very determined squad did just that with junior forward Carmelo Russo, Teasdale and the red-hot McMahon all scoring goals, extending the Grizzly lead to 7-2.

JCU would score two late goals in a comeback attempt, but it would not be enough to catch the Grizzlies.

McMahon leads the team with 12 points, seven goals and five assists. The freshman has scored as many goals as the second highest scoring OU player has goals and assists combined.

Freshman netminder Chris Ballach made 25 saves picking up his first win.

The club team's record currently sits at 3-1-1 on the young season. Even more impressive is its record against Div. I competition, 2-1-1.

This weekend the team heads to Albany, New York to face off against two teams who represented the Northeast Division of the American Collegiate Hockey Association in last year's championship tournament.

On Friday, the Grizzlies face off against the Saints from Siena College.

On Saturday, OU gets a chance to prove that its 7-6 victory in the ACHA final game against SUNY Stony Brook was not a fluke, with a rematch against the Seawolves.

Next weekend, the club opens up the GMHL season with a Friday home tilt against the Chippewas from CMU. While the game time has yet to be announced, the match will take place at the Onyx.

NCAA revenge chance missed

Susie Markee
Special to The Oakland Post

The thrill of soundly defeating a conference foe drifted into melancholy after the Golden Grizzlies were unable to extract revenge against the team that beat them in last year's NCAA tournament.

OU's women's soccer team defeated the Western Illinois Westerwinds by a 5-0 margin on Friday, then lost to the University of Cincinnati on Sunday.

Friday's win was a Mid-Con contest, improving the Golden Grizzlies to 2-1 in the conference, good for third place.

"I feel very optimistic about our upcoming games this weekend," said OU head coach Nick O'Shea.

Freshman forward Kristi Swaving opened the scoring, firing the ball past the WIU goalkeeper less than a minute into the game. Swaving scored again seven minutes later to push the Grizzlies ahead 2-0.

No further goals were scored for 25 minutes until junior forward Beth Howson dribbled past a Westwind defender and shot the ball past the goalie for the third goal of the game.

Senior Debbie Cartmel opened the second half scoring by volleying the ball into the goal off a crossing pass from sophomore midfielder Katie Arnett.

Swaving scored the first hat trick of her career to end the game with OU as the 5-0 victors.

Junior goalkeeper Sarah Buckland and freshman Jackie Tighe made three saves in the combined shutout victory. Buckland ranks third in the Mid-Con in goals against, with a 1.68 average.

The three-goal performance by Swaving is tops among Golden Grizzly scorers this season. She currently ranks fifth among Mid-Con players in goals

scored. Cartmel ranks second in the league.

On Sunday, OU played a tough game against the University of Cincinnati, losing and dropping its overall record to 5-9. In last year's NCAA tournament, it was the Bearcats who eliminated the Grizzlies by a 3-2 score.

The two teams battled through a scoreless first half, with the Grizzlies and Bearcats having four shots apiece.

At the seven minute mark of the second half, Bearcat Tianna Oliver scored the only goal of the match on a breakaway.

UC outshot the Grizzlies by a 13-5 margin, with Buckland making six saves in the loss.

"This one goal loss is typical of the season," said O'Shea. "Especially since it's the seventh of the year. While it's disappointing to lose, it's positive from the competitive standpoint where we're in all games.

"That's the thing about soccer. Any one team can come out of a game with a one-goal win.

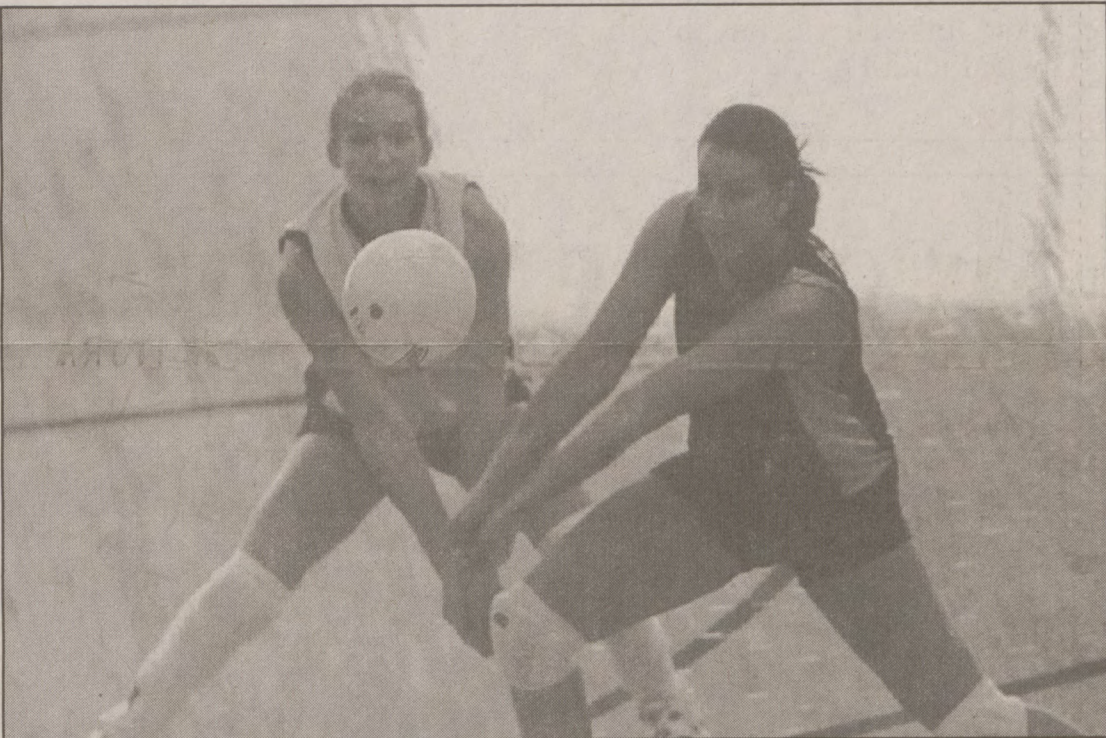
"Hopefully, we can turn it around and be the ones who come out on top," he said.

O'Shea said he was, "going to give the players some rest with a few days off."

At 4 p.m. Friday, the Titans from UD-M come to the Lower Fields to face the Golden Grizzlies in a matchup of intrastate rivals.

At 1 p.m. on Sunday, conference play returns to Rochester as the Valparaiso Crusaders pay a visit to OU.

Swaving was named the Mid-Con Offensive Player of the Week for her three-goal outburst against WIU. Not only was her hat trick the first one of the Grizzlies' season, but it is also the first one to be recorded in the Mid-Con this year. She is tied for second in the league in total points, 17.



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Juniors Lauren Bramos (left) and Beth Ann Rourke (right) fight for the defensive dig in Saturday's victory over the Kangaroos of UMKC in the Rec Center. Bramos, the Grizzlies' libero, is a defensive specialist who is distinguished by a contrasting jersey, due to a new rule implemented this season.

First sweep netted

By Brendan Stevens
Sports Editor

Even though the match didn't take place in the O'rena, the OU women's volleyball team won its first home match of the season with a 3-0 victory over UMKC in a contest that took place in the Rec Center last Saturday.

The women rebounded after Mid-Con powerhouse Oral Roberts defeated the team 3-0 the day before.

Oral Roberts is 4-0 in the conference and has won five straight Mid-Con tournament championships.

A total team effort was needed in the sweep of UMKC, with every player successfully fulfilling her role on the team.

"The enthusiasm was unbelievable," head coach Mark Ridley said. "We just caught fire, and there was no stopping us."

Ridley made a couple of changes, including starting freshman Whitney Lane as he did early this season and moving Cortney Varterasian from the right side to the left side.

Varterasian, junior, and Amanda Fowler, freshman, each recorded 10 kills in the win.

The defense piled up 63 defensive digs with five Grizzlies making contributions. As a unit, the offense recorded 44 kills, with only two players recording double-digits.

Junior blocker Beth Ann Rourke led the team defensively with 20 digs, while sophomore defensive specialist Katie Lozier contributed 16 digs.

Senior setter Becca Saldana

continued her consistent season, recording 35 assists.

OU committed only 20 errors while the Kangaroos compiled 29 errors in the game. The Grizzlies also out served UMKC with six service aces.

The two teams both recorded nine blocks in the contest. OU is currently leading the Mid-Con in blocks per game with a 2.27 average.

The Grizzlies overcame their inability to close out matches, hitting a .341 attack percentage in game three to seal the sweeping victory.

On Friday, the Grizzlies couldn't overcome a dominating Oral Roberts offensive attack.

"We had a great first game against them," Ridley said. "It was fun to watch, and then we kind of got away from the game plan."

"We just need to be consistent and play as a team. No matter what the score is, we need to play hard."

The Golden Eagles out killed OU 48-29, recording a .263 attack percentage while the Grizzlies had an attack percentage of .018.

OU did manage to contain the conference's leader in kills, Golden Eagle Patricia Menezes, by holding her to a .182 attack percentage.

"We really did what we wanted to against Oral Roberts in some ways," Ridley said. "We kept (Menezes) under .200 hitting percentage, but their middles just picked it up."

With a statistical margin of only two in the defensive dig

category, 45-43, OU was able to match-up defensively with the Golden Eagles. ORU committed only 17 errors, however, making its higher attack percentage the difference in the match.

Currently, OU is fourth place out of seven in the Mid-Con with a conference record of 2-2 and overall record of 2-19. Its conference record will determine whether the team gets one of the four bids to the Mid-Con tournament.

In the next week, the Grizzlies must face two of the three teams placed higher in the Mid-Con.

The team's performance on the road trip could heavily weigh on its chance at making the post-season tournament, which will take place on ORU's campus in Tulsa, Okla.

"At worst, I would like to come out 1-1, but 2-0 is something we are aiming for," Ridley said. "It's not impossible at all because anything can happen in this league."

At 7 p.m. Friday, OU takes on Valparaiso, the second ranked place team in the conference with a Mid-Con record of 3-2 and an overall record of 11-7.

The Grizzlies continue the crucial weekend at 5 p.m. Saturday against IUPUI, which also has a record of 3-2, but stands at 5-14 overall.

"The way the kids played on Saturday, it was a fire I haven't seen for a long time," Ridley said. "If they keep playing that way, there are going to be some pretty surprised teams in this league."

GRIZZLY SPORTS CALENDAR

Records in bold type denote Mid-Con standings. Records in italics denote club league standings. Games shaded in gray denote home games.

	WED 16	THU 17	FRI 18	SAT 19	SUN 20	MON 21	TUE 22
0-0-0, 0-0-0 No Games				TBD			
				Bowling Green Relays			
				TBD			
				Pre- Nationals			
5-4-2, 1-1-0 Second place	4 p.m. Ohio State			7 p.m.			
				Oral Roberts			
5-9-0, 2-1-0 Third place			4 p.m.		1 p.m.		
			Detroit		Valparaiso		
2-19, 2-2 Fourth place			7 p.m.	5 p.m.			
			Valparaiso	IUPUI			

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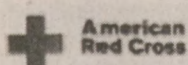
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