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The traditional ways of celebrating this frightfully fun holiday have seemed to pass over many students.



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## Union to vote on tentative agreement

By DORCAS GRAHAM  
Staff Writer

The clerical technical workers (CTs) of the UAW union local 1925 will hold a general membership meeting Monday to discuss the tentative agreement between the union and OU. A ratification vote will be taken immediately after.

Negotiations had been on going since June 3. The CTs have been without a contract since June 30.

Two of the main concerns were under the article of Job Postings and Filling of

Vacancies. The existing contract states that only bargaining unit employees may bid for posted positions within the first five working days of the posting date, before they can be opened to non-bargaining unit applicants.

According to local 1925 union president Susan Forgette, the negotiating team members fought all summer to keep this as it currently reads. They were not successful.

Under the tentative agreement external applicants may be considered for posted vacancies along with bargaining unit

applicant. Unless the external applicant is better qualified the bargaining unit employee will receive preference. The ultimate decision is made by the hiring supervisor.

"It seems like this is a way for OU to bust the union," said one union member who wished to remain anonymous. "But on the other hand if external applicants are hired, they'll eventually be a part of the union. I just wonder why they(OU) fought so hard for it."

Willard Kendall, assistant vice presi-

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June 30 • CT contract ended

Sept. 3 • CTs report for work for fall semester

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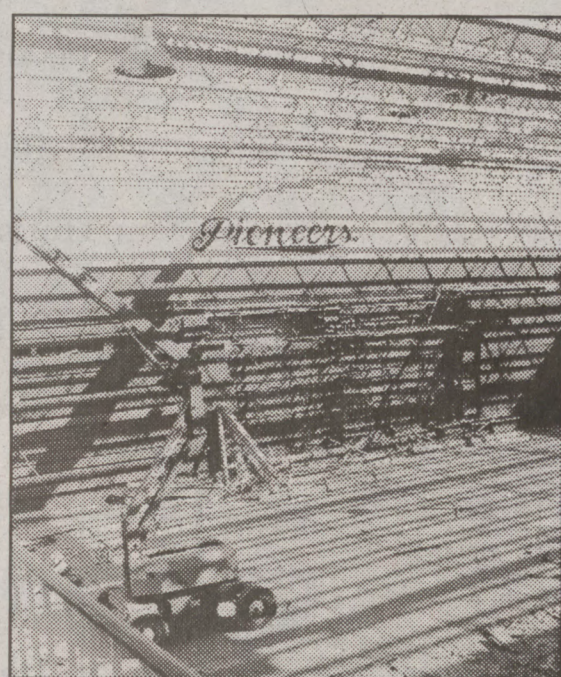
## Construction begins



Crews started the construction process Monday by first tearing portions of Leply down.

While North American Dismantling removed the roof and some walls of the gym, Barton Malow began pouring the approximated 8,000 yards of concrete that will become the foundation of the new Student Fitness and Recreation Center. After the foundation has been finished the actual building process will begin.

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Post Photos / Nelson May

## ARAMARK chosen to staff science building

By DORCAS GRAHAM  
Staff Writer

For the first time in more than 20 years OU's American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) union local 1418 was required to bid against outside contractors for custodial jobs in and on campus buildings.

It sucks," said David Szczesny, union president of AFSCME local 1418. "Yes, it's cheaper to outsource, and it's also easier to worm out of a contract than to lay people off." Szczesny feels that outsourced employees are more disposable because OU can easily terminate the contract if it is dissatisfied with the performance of the workers.

OU's Campus Facilities and Operations (CF&O), requested bids from outside compa-

*"They're not going to get the quality or the loyalty with outsourcing and there's going to be higher turnover rate."*

- Susan Forgette  
UAW local 1925 president

nies for custodial positions for the soon to be completed science and technology building.

AFSCME local 1418 bid as well, hoping for a chance to fill the five to eight positions that will be needed. Its bid was rejected. The union competed against two other corporations: Total Building Services, based in Detroit and ARAMARK, a national corporation that also staffs OU's food service. The administration approved ARAMARK's proposal.

"ARAMARK had the best references from other universities," said Alan Miller director of CF&O. "They were the most responsive to our needs."

Yet others strongly oppose bids being taken on union jobs. "It's a shame," said Susan Forgette, president of UAW local 1925.

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## Students ignore Devil's night

By SUZY SCHOLZ  
Staff Writer

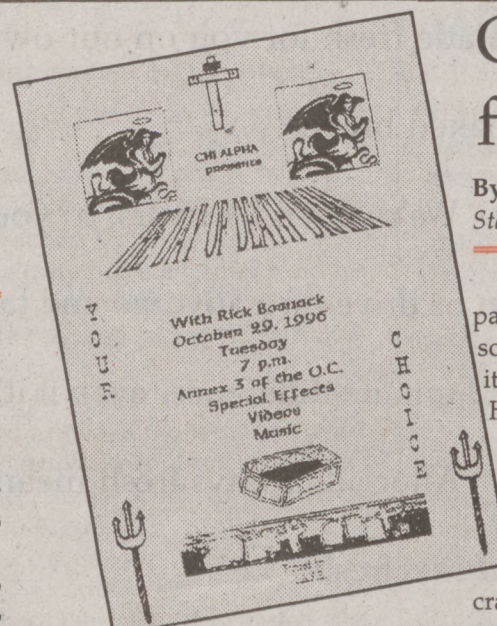
The old Devil's night tradition of shattering pumpkins, toilet papering dorms and smashing mailboxes seems to be something OU students have ignored on campus.

In past years, the problems OU Police encountered the night before Halloween few, if any, said OU Police Chief Richard Leonard. He expects this Oct. 30 will be no different.

Leonard believes OU students find better things to do on the eve of Halloween. He believes students are too preoccupied with other campus activities to take part in the traditional Devil's night mischief.

"We don't usually have problems on devil's night," said Leonard, "I think students are too busy studying."

OU Police plan to go about business as usual that night with no extra officers on duty.



DAY OF DEATH: Believing that Halloween is satanic, Chi Alpha instead held a mock funeral yesterday to honor god.

## Groups celebrate Halloween from different perspectives

By REBECCA DEVANTIER  
Staff Writer

To many, Halloween is a time for parties and trick-or-treats. But to some religious groups on campus, it's not so fun. In fact they believe Halloween is Satanic.

For others, like the Wiccans, it's as sacred to them as Christmas and Easter is for Christians. Wicca is a non-traditional religious group that practices witchcraft. Wicca is a combination of folk magic and Druidism.

The Druids from ancient Gaul began most of the so-called Halloween traditions many people practice today. They called their festival Samhain. It is the celebration of

the summer's end. They used pumpkins, corn stalks, and built huge bonfires to scare away the ghosts, spirits, and elves.

Today, Samhain is celebrated by Wiccans that believe its members are witches and worship their god and goddess.

The last day of October is set aside for this holiday. It is also day before All Saints Day, a religious holiday in which Christians honor all of the saints. They primarily focus on those saints who don't have days named for them. Some Christians also honor the people who died during the past year.

"I will not celebrate dead people," said Sarah Ferency, guest stu-

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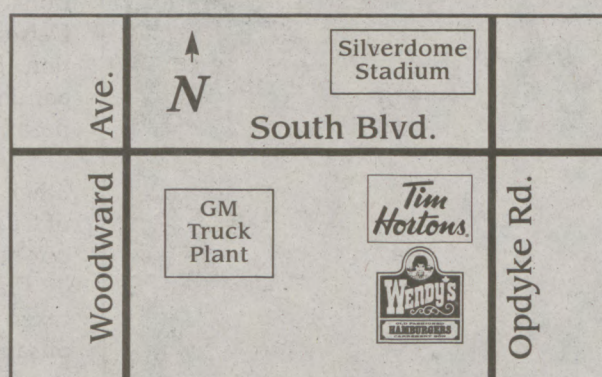
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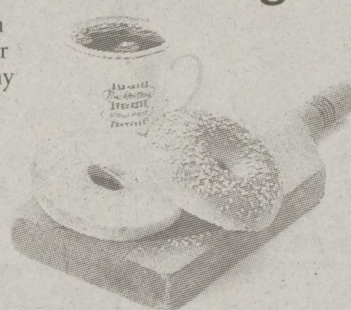


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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Mock election gives glimpse of results

### OU Mock Election Results

#### President:

Clinton - 64% Perot - 10%  
Dole - 18% Other - 8%

#### US Senate:

Levin - 72% Romney - 10% Other - 4%

By MICHAEL MURPHY  
Staff Writer

If OU voters in a mock election hold any truth to outcome of the nation-wide election held next month, Democrats will lead the country for four more years.

Two hundred forty students and faculty cast their votes for president and senator when they took part in a Student Congress run mock election last week. The results came Thursday after votes were tallied.

Seven candidates for president and six candidates for Senate were on the ballots.

However, the Democrats won hands down in the poll. Current President Bill Clinton netted 146 votes, and incumbent Senator Carl Levin almost tripled his Republican opponent Ronna Romney.

Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole only raked in 42 votes, while Ross Perot, running under the Reform Party ticket, received 22, the fewest of the three major candidates.

Administrative Assistant Shajan Kay organized the mock election, which was created to see how OU, in general, would vote on November 5.

Congress President Garrick Landsberg initiated the idea for the mock elections. "One of my major objectives for Student Congress here is that the activities we do on campus are adaptable to society. I also wanted to raise interest in the upcoming (real) elections. For the mock elections, the process was more important than the outcome," he said.

"We didn't expect the results to be anything more than a small sample of what OU thinks, but hopefully the students participating and hearing about the mock elections will raise their interest in the real elections on Tuesday,"

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## Resolution in works for athletic support

By JAIME SHELTON  
News Editor

Tensions grew over the move to Division I AAA during a Student Congress meeting Monday when members from the ad hoc fact-finding committee showed up to field questions from students and Congress members.

Though many students and athletes said they were against going Division I, some Congress members are still considering writing a resolution in support of the move.

"There were high emotional feelings (at the meeting). People were on the brink of crying," said Residence Hall Council Representative to Congress Lynette Buffa.

Congress faculty representative Kevin Early agreed. "(The athletes) were passionately pleading for students to oppose this," he said.

Despite this and other student concerns, newly appointed Congress member Bryan Barnett is currently working on the resolution which, if approved by the rest of the Congress at its Nov. 11 meeting, will be a formal statement of support to go Division I.

Barnett said that he is unsure whether Congress will support the resolution, which he said will include such provisions as keeping all of the funding for academics and making sure the current Division II athletes are pushed to the side without a transition period.

Another Congress member, Matt Karrandja, also supports having a resolution because he believes the majority of the student body is in favor of the move, and Congress' resolution will reflect that response.

"In the long run, it's better for the university. ... You get more name recognition, scholarships will increase, enrollment will go up,

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Post Photo / Nelson May

HEATED DEBATE: Members of the Division I fact-finding committee, William Macauley, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Jack Mehl, director of athletics, fielded questions at the Congress meeting.

## Health fair educates about STDs

By KATHY GARDNER  
Staff Writer

Pop and popcorn, cookies and condoms will be available at the Health Fair.

That's right - free condoms. The Health Fair runs this afternoon from 2 to 5 p.m. in rooms 129 and 130 of OC. The event and its freebies are part of an effort to educate students to health-related issues.

"This is a fun way to educate yourself," said Lisa Raspbury, RN, one of the coordinators of the event.

"Health habits are usually established early in life, so this is an important time for students to get educated on health issues affecting them," Raspbury said.

More than one-half of the tables at the event will be staffed by nursing stu-

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## Hall director remembered for dedication

Meadow Brook Hall's first executive director, Lowell Eklund, died Oct. 19 at the age of 79.

Eklund, who had been part of OU since it opened in 1958, had continued working at the Hall as a part time consultant up until his death.

He had officially retired from his positions as executive director of Meadow Brook Hall and dean and professor of continuing education in 1987.

In a memo to the university community, President Gary Russi said,

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## Police issue citation for marijuana possession

An OU Police officer noticed the smell of marijuana coming from a van parked on the side of the road near Silo X on Saturday.

The officer tapped on the window of the van and told the two people inside to get out.

After asking the man and woman, both 20 years old, where the marijuana was, the man pulled a partially smoked marijuana cigarette from his pocket.

The officer arrested the man. Upon searching the vehicle, the officer found a large amount of paraphernalia.

Included in that list was four pipes, pipe screens, 36 empty carbon dioxide charges, 21 full carbon dioxide charges, a carbon dioxide bottle holder and an electric scale and a marijuana cigarette.

A prescription bottle containing the drug Parfon was also found in the glove box.

When the police questioned the woman about the bottle, she answered that she had taken the prescription from her mother's dentist office without her knowledge.



The man was cited for possession of marijuana, and the woman was ticketed for possession of a controlled substance.

### Teenagers steel light covers

Three boys, ages 13, 15 and 16 were caught stealing plastic headlight and taillight covers from a Camero parked at Silo X on Saturday.

The owner of the Camero and his brother-in-law called OU Police after noticing the boys taking the lens covers.

The two men told police they watched as two of the teenagers pried the four smoke grey plastic lens covers off of the lights while the third boy kept a look out.

The light covers were valued at \$118.

When the men confronted the boys prior to police arrival, the teenagers attempted to return the covers to the owner.

The three boys were taken to the OU Police station, where they were held until their parents picked them up.

## Advertisement reeks havoc with net server capacity

By CHRISTINE TANK  
Special Writer

OU computers continue to cause e-mail users problems when the server receives too much information at once.

The most recent problem occurred Oct. 10 when an advertisement was sent through e-mail to all faculty and staff accounts.

According to OU policy, sending an e-mail which advertises a personal business, like this one, is strictly prohibited, unless special permission is granted by the university, said Jeff Marraccini, a computer resource administrator.

Not only was the advertisement a violation of this policy, said Marraccini, but the result of the message overburdened the server and caused havoc for OU computer users.

When faculty responded to the e-mail message, many did not tell the computer to send the response only to the original sender. Each response was

automatically sent to every other recipient of the advertisement.

The computer was not able to process all of the transactions fast enough.

Fortunately, the Office of Computer and Information Services (OCIS)

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SYSTEM STRESS: As the campus gets wired, the Office of Computer and Information Services is taking new precautions to prevent crashes.



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## EDITOR'S VIEW

# Technology has limits

Over the past few months OU has experienced a lot of technical difficulties. From power outages to e-mail crashes, it's starting to seem as if nothing is ever running smoothly on campus.

What most people are failing to realize however is that technology has its limits. Nothing is fool proof.

When an OU alum sent a mass e-mail message soliciting people for a job Oct. 10 a near disaster occurred.

Many people who received the message and decided to reply to it did so by using the 'reply' command. This consequently sent their reply to all who had received the original ad and consequently the system overloaded.

Fortunately, it was caught before too much damage was done, but it still forced the network to be down for six hours disrupting users and even canceling classes.

People don't know enough about technology and most can't learn fast enough to keep up. Even the lab monitors in places such as Kresge and Dodge don't know all there is to know some know even less than the average user.

Even with all the knowledge one can possibly have, systems will still crash. People can't afford to become too reliant on technology.

Next week students will have the opportunity to register for classes using the SAIL system. The automated voice system provides convenience to students who no longer have to wait in line to register.

But what happens if the system crashes? Already over the past two summers students have lost their entire schedules and their spots in classes have been filled. There is no way for them to prove it. No confirmation numbers are given and no receipts are immediately sent out. Very quickly convenience can be turned into a student's registration nightmare.

Besides the risks involved, the overwhelming growth in technology has taken away the personal aspects of communication.

More often than not, callers are immediately diverted to voice mail or e-mail because people are too busy to talk. Residence halls students can even press a button which sends all calls to voice mail without the phone even ringing.

Some even choose to call voice mail directly to avoid having to talk to a live person. People are carrying on long discussions without ever having heard each other's voices.

Professors interact with students and colleagues that way, students communicate with each other the same way. Sometimes people send e-mail to a peer who's sitting down the hall just because it's easier than getting up and taking the time to talk in person.

This is not to say that technology is a bad thing. In fact it has, for the most part, made life a lot easier for many people, THE POST included. Many times we wouldn't be able to contact half of the people we do without it.

But it's by no means infallible. Technology has its limitations, both in user-friendliness as well as its damper on personal interaction and glitches within the system.

It is something to utilize, but also something to keep tabs on. Because what once was convenience, in the blink of an eye can be disaster.

# OPINION



## Letters to the Editor

# Student expresses concern over ARAMARK hygiene

Dear Editor:

That does it. I'm never eating on campus again. Come to think of it, if I ever eat anything bearing the ARAMARK trademark again, I'm going to puke.

Today, for the third time in as many weeks, I happened to be leaving a bathroom in the Oakland Center at the same time as an ARAMARK employee. In each case, that employee was someone who ignored the sinks and left without washing his hands.

Today's episode featured someone with an obvious gastrointestinal dilemma. He was in there before I got there and he left while I was washing my hands, and in between he must have flushed the toilet eight or nine times. I'm only aware of this because between constant grunting and flushing, it was a pretty comical scene.

Anyway, I was standing there washing my hands, and he walked out of his stall. I resisted the temptation to say something clever, or even conciliatory, on his behalf. "You okay buddy? Sounded like you were battling in there." He walked up to the mirror, looked at himself, and then walked out. No hand wash.

## Student Referendum Proposed by OUSC Rep

Dear Editor:

The hot topic floating around Oakland University is the concept of going Division I-AAA. As a representative of the student body I am highly in favor of this concept. When Oakland goes Division I it will create more visibility for our campus plus it will increase student life and spirits and will give us name recognition.

Also by going Division I Oakland University will receive more funding from the state and also scholarships will increase dramatically. This is a big step for Oakland University and the timing couldn't be better since we have a new Rec Center being built.

I do understand the flip side of going Division I and yes it is unfortunate for the current athletes. Oakland will be on probation for two years when it enters Division I and they will not be able to compete for national championships. However, we have to look into the future and how going Division I will affect the future of Oakland university. Being placed on probation for two years is the price to pay for the benefit of Oakland in the future. With going Division I our enrollment will surely increase and there will be more money to go for academics.

What I want to see is a referendum vote taken on the issue of going Division I. Many people are in support of the idea but

there are still a lot of people that are not in support of the concept. OUSC President Garrick Landsberg does not want the students to vote on going Division I. He repeatedly states that Congress is your voice and that they shall vote in your best interest. Part of that statement is true, but I believe that the issue of going Division I will affect every student here at OU and that the entire student body should have a voice and vote on this issue.

The only way we can know how the whole student population feels about going Division I is by having a student referendum.

So the students of OU, this is your time to speak on this issue. Before Congress speaks on your behalf let them know how you feel. Call them at x4290 or e-mail them at Congress@oakland. Tell Congress that you want to be able to vote on going Division I. This topic will be going to President Russi in November and to the Board of Trustees in January so we need to act now.

Remember that these views are just the views of a concerned representative of OUSC. I want to hear from you whether you agree or disagree; mpkarran@oakland.

Sincerely,

Matthew Karrandja  
OUSC  
Senior  
Communication

It's the third time in three damned weeks!

Not that I would know this, but maybe ARAMARK is very stringent in their sanitation policy, and as soon as he gets back to the work place he is stripped and put through a lime shower or something. I doubt it though.

I doubt very seriously their commitment to sanitation and health. I'm quite sure that the ARAMARK people aren't eyeballing every single hand wash, and that means that for every social retard that leaves the bathroom without cleaning his hands, some thing, some kind of germ or viral biological manifestation is getting through to the over-priced, low-grade food you're serving us.

This sickens me, and it should sicken you too.

Sincerely,

Christopher Chatham  
Sophomore  
Undecided

## Dating Letters Considered Ridiculous

Dear Editor:

In the past two weeks, we've noticed a war of words about romance in the letters to the editor section, as initiated by Janelle Koger and rebutted by Matthew P. Karrandja. Let us be the first to say, in writing, that you're both idiots.

First of all, having Matthew P. Karrandja speak up for OU's male gender is like having Matthew P. Karrandja write a fashion review for GQ magazine.

Contrary to what the OU public at large might think after seeing about eight letters to the editor per week from this guy, there's not a legion of us walking around in horrible red sport coats, spouting insipid rhetoric about life's little travails.

On the topic of romance, we can attest to the fact that all of the women we've dated have liked nothing more than when we've worn our purple jerseys sporting the name "Mr. GQ 69". Ah, the pinnacle of romance!

It's our theory that you don't have a fear of rejection because it's hard to fear what is so familiar to you. "Taking a midnight walk in the woods to enjoy the pretty leaves"? Come on! No wonder you don't have a clue.

Secondly, to you Ms. Koger, it's hard for us to believe you don't get asked out on dates. You're so "pretty, funny, smart, beautiful and talented." You became more "beautiful" as the letter went on. We had to put down the letter so we could walk around campus to look for you, because you obviously have a perpetual glow surrounding you. We figured, "She's got to be easy to find."

Could you please try to remember that life's romantic endeavors are not so easily summed up like some Sweet Valley High novel. Romance is hard work, especially if the extent of your quest for romance involves writing a letter to the editor.

Our point is, shut up.

There are proper ways to go about dating, but they've got to be the product of one's own sincere attempts at affection, not through some contest or other crap-ass scheme.

Sincerely,

James Bonadio  
Chris McCullen  
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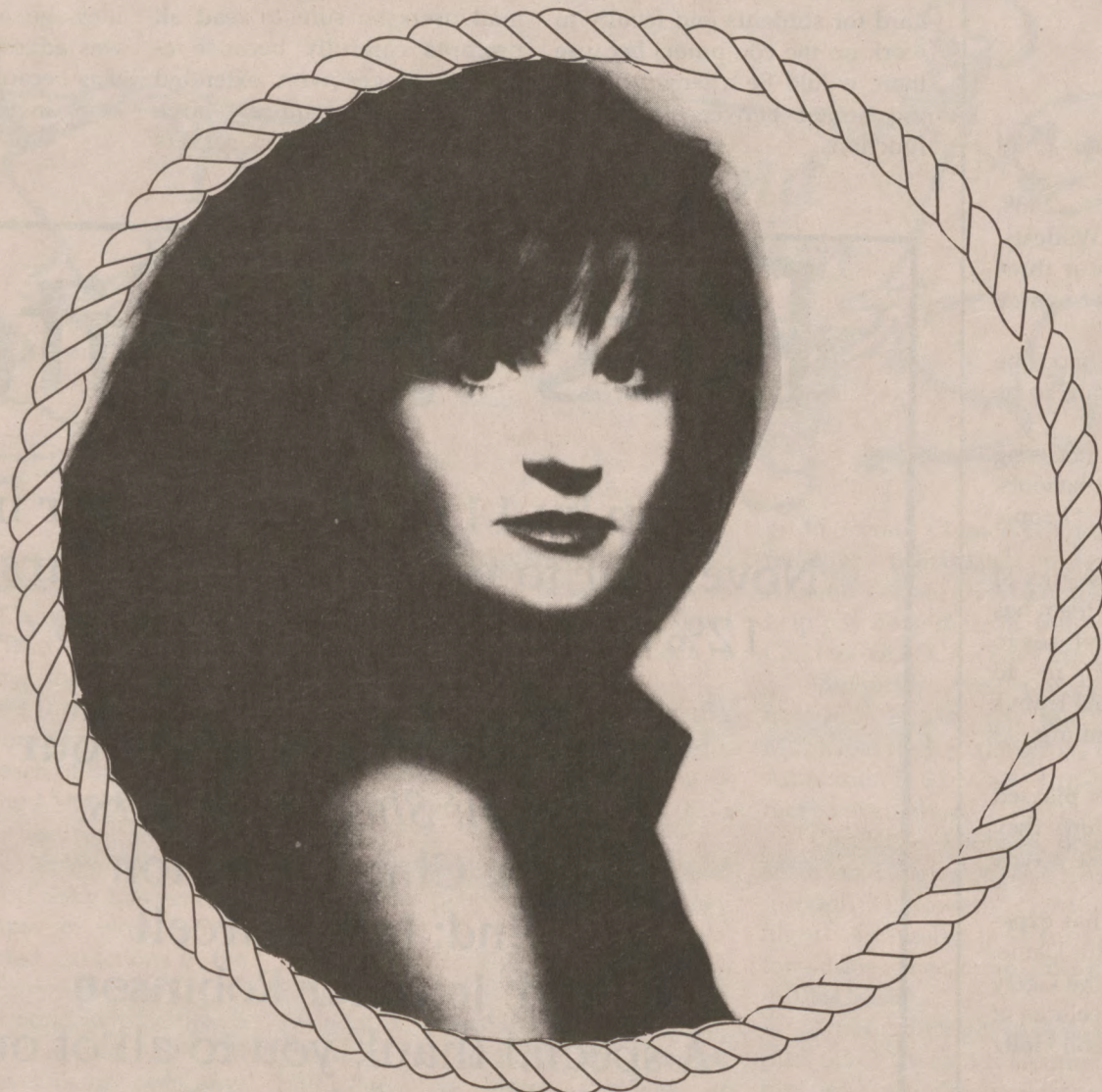
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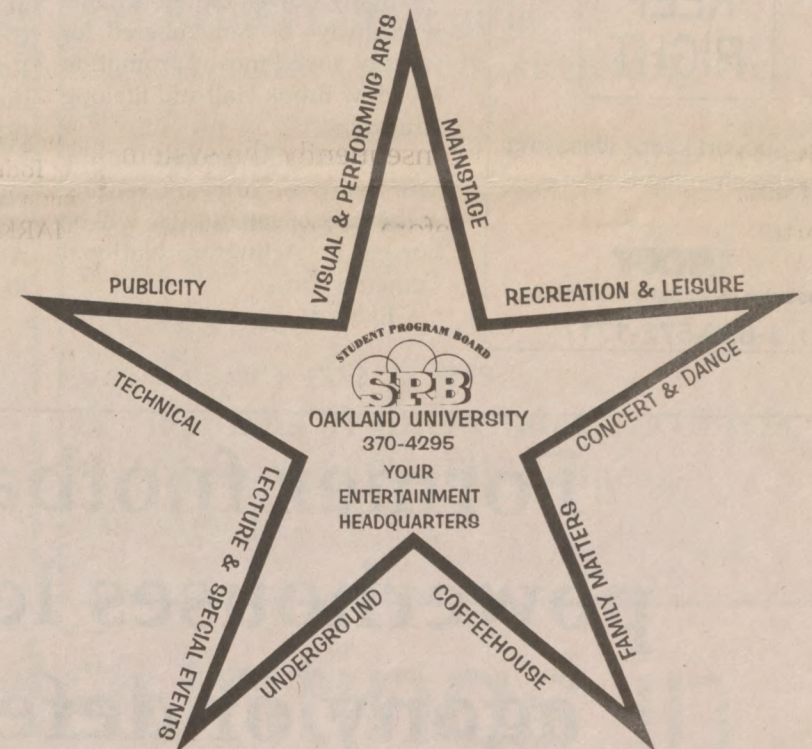
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She has opened for artists like Clint Black, Dwight Yoakam,  
 and Wynonna and Bonnie Raitt. Now see her live at Oakland University.



**TUESDAY, NOV. 5**  
**8 PM**  
**GOLD ROOMS**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 5, 8 pm

Teresa

Gold Rooms ABC

Epic and Columbia Records Country Music Star, Teresa has opened concerts for artists like Clint Black, Dwight Yoakam, Wynonna and Bonnie Raitt. Not only is she one of the most recognized female artists in the college scene, Universities across the nation have voted her Female Artist of the Year.

Nov 13, 8 pm

Graffiti Tribe

Gold Rooms A,B,C

These five talented guys singing A Capella are multiple-award winning recipients.

Nov 16

Birch Run Trip

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Planet Rock

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SIGN-UP BEGINS **NOV. 11.**



# Contract Religion

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dent for Employee Relations said he would not comment on any discussions that took place during negotiations until the tentative contract is approved.

"I think it will be a problem," Forgette said, "but it depends on which supervisor is doing the interpreting." Forgette said it's now up to the members.

The other major concern was the wording of job qualifications. Under the current contract when jobs are posted, qualifications are worded as "ability to..." which clerical technical workers have interpreted to mean that whatever skills are needed for the posted position must already be acquired by the applicant.

Under the tentative agreement, demonstrated proficiency is sufficient to be considered "ability to..." This may include on the job experience; or evidence through outside activities, courses or certification.

The economic package includes a three percent across the board wage increase the first year and a 2.2% and 2.5% in the second and third years.

"I'm satisfied with the results," Kendall said. "I happy its over and we're anxious to move ahead."

The meeting will be held at noon in the Gold Rooms of the Oakland center. Members will be able to vote until 5:30.

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dent from Michigan State and member of the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship. "It's Satan's day. He and the demons are glorified," she said.

Ferency feels that Christians should not celebrate Halloween because they would be ignoring the traditional religious beliefs. "You're a hypocrite if you do," she said.

Chi Alpha (Christians in Action) did decide to celebrate the holiday, but instead of focusing on Satan, the group held a mock funeral in honor of God.

The funeral was a drama based on the 'death' of Chi Alpha president Lou Commisso. Commisso was rolled into the room in a real coffin and then gave a monologue about how he should have found God. During the drama, it was as if he was fighting with demons.

"This is not going to be fun and games," said Price. "This is depicting real life."

Price does not feel holding a mock funeral is wrong.

"We are honoring God by doing what he asks us to do on campus, by promoting him," Price said.

Sophomore computer science major Nick Scholz doesn't want to celebrate Halloween for several reasons. He believes Halloween is satanic because people pretend to be characters they are not which hides the true meaning of Hell.

"I just don't want to be a part of it. I don't want to be another

person who hands out candy to kids who don't understand. Decorations like witches and skeletons desensitize people to the evil," said Scholz.

"The reason we don't celebrate it is because of Jesus," Ferency said.

She's not the only one who feels that way. Junior Sandi Price, human resource development major and member of Chi Alpha, feels that by celebrating Halloween, God is dishonored.

"Basically, it (Halloween) is mocking God. It does promote evil," Price said. "Our solution to Halloween is spending time with God and giving Him the glory, not Satan," Price said.

Former Wiccan Jason Westbrook says Halloween is the day when the spirit world is the easiest to get to, and Stonehenge is a gate to the other side.

However, Westbrook no longer feels that way. "It's basically a day for the devil, but I think everyone has a right to their own opinion," he said.

Though there are fewer than a half dozen Wiccans confirmed on campus, Wiccan member Richard Kreiner freshman, electrical engineering, believes there are more who don't want to admit it in public.

Besides practicing witchcraft, Wiccans believe that all animals and humans are equal and that when humans die, they are reincarnated until they become the perfect person.

Reincarnation is also believed in. Wiccans believe that they are reincarnated into humans until they become perfect.

They pray to the god and goddess, who are represented in everything. The god and goddess represent good and evil.

Kreiner left behind his Roman Catholicism two years ago when he became a member of Wicca. Kreiner said that he and a friend were in a bookstore when they became interested in a book about Wicca. He said he liked how it sounded and decided to convert.

"We (Wiccans) do a ritual to mark the passing of the day," Kreiner said. According to Kreiner, during the ritual he will burn incense in the four directions. Then he will draw a circle on the ground, either visually in his mind or physically with a type of tool.

When the circle is complete, he will step inside and pray to the god and goddess and do a spell. The spells, which can celebrate the passing of the seasons, are considered another form of prayer for Wiccans.

After the spell is complete, he will give thanks to the god and goddess and vanish the circle, ending the ritual for another year.

According to Kreiner, the Wiccan creed states, "Do as I will, but harm none." This prohibits Wiccans from doing evil spells, and those who proceed anyway, said Kreiner, will have their spells come back to the witch three fold. Kreiner also said that spells are only done for oneself.

"I believe Jesus Christ existed, but I don't think he was the son of God," Kreiner said.



# Jobs

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"They're not going to get the quality or the loyalty with outsourcing and there's going to be higher turnover rate." Forgette's union, which represents the clerical and technical employees, has reached a tentative agreement. She said the union also has a problem with outsourcing.

Miller confirmed that the proposed contract allows OU to terminate the contract if it isn't satisfied with the performance of ARAMARK. A 30 day notice must

be given to allow the company to fix the problem. The contract has not been officially drawn up and must be approved by OU's board of trustees and senior administrator. Yet the proposal has been written.

ARAMARK proposed a staff of seven custodians. Including one supervisor. The company would furnish most of its own supplies. Restroom supplies must be purchased from OU's CF&O warehouse. The operating costs for the first year would be \$199,997.

Szczesny initial suggestion was to hire six additional employees. The cost with benefits and equipment for a 30-hour work week would be approximately \$170,000. Then the union proposed taking one custodian out of each of OU's existing buildings for a total of six. The staff would work a third shift without a supervisor. Since no additional staff would be hired the only cost to the university would be \$14,000 for equipment and a 35 cents per hour shift premium per worker. Total cost for the first year would be approximately \$18,000.

Although AFSCME had the

lowest bid, the initial suggestion was rejected because it only allowed six employees to work a 30-hour week and ARAMARK proposed seven employees and a 40 hours work week.

Miller also said taking staff from existing buildings would lower quality of work in those facilities. "You can't reduce operating costs to the point where the work can't get done," Miller said.

He said that it is unrealistic to ask the remaining employees to make up for the work of the absent workers.

Szczesny admits there would be more responsibility for remaining workers. Yet he has discussed this concern with union members and they agree that it can be done. Szczesny and union members' main concern is to keep custodial jobs in the union.

The AFSCME contract states that the University has the right to contract or subcontract and University work currently being performed, but union members believe that this will become a trend.

"I think it's just a way to try and bust up the unions," said one union official that asked not to be identified.

"Union members don't lose at the moment," said Szczesny, "But what about when the new sports building is finished." Szczesny referred to the sports building that is currently in construction stage.

Miller confirmed that they are considering outside contractors for that building.

"The bottom line is money, said Forgette, "not quality."

Miller said OU's science and technology building is scheduled to be completed by February, and ready for classes in April.

resources.

"If you need to send a message with a wide distribution, please find a better way to distribute your message," said Marraccini. He suggested that senders forward e-mail to department heads and deans rather than all staff and faculty.

The OCIS is currently working on a new version of e-mail that will automatically bring up a prompt asking the user to specify the number of accounts the message should reach. The office hopes this will alleviate some of the stress on the server.

Marraccini could give no comment as to who sent the message or what the message was advertising. This, he said, was because the incident is still being investigated.

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# Eklund

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"To many, Lowell Eklund's name will always be remembered for what he loved most - promoting Meadow Brook Hall and lifelong education."

Lowell also served in the U.S. Army for 20 years, retiring at the rank of colonel. He will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

Eklund is survived by his

wife Della Mae, his daughter Vicki Stewart and his brother Cory.

A memorial service is scheduled to be held Saturday, Nov. 16 at St. Paul United Methodist Church, 165 East Square Lake Road at 11 a.m. Those wishing more information should call (810) 338-8233.

Donations can be made to either St. Paul's United Methodist Church or to the Alzheimer's Association of Research.

# Former football powerhouses learn agony of defeat

By College Press Services

CHICAGO- It's easy to support your college team when they're winning.

After all, a winning program is just a reflection of you right? The 59-3 thrashing State gave Tech only confirms the fact that you went to the better school with the stronger athletes, smarter students and cheaper beer.

But what happens when the old football team isn't doing so well? How hard is it then to stay true to your school?

Many college students and alumni are finding out the hard way as more and more traditionally powerful teams fall from gridiron glory.

"It can be humiliating," says Sean Mivins, a Notre Dame graduate. "When we lost to Ohio State, I was embarrassed. It was hard to go to work on Monday."

And it was harder yet to face Monday morning after ND's loss to Air Force, he said.

Mivins, who works for the Chicago Board of Trade, says there's a lot of taunting in the trading pits.

"You would think these guys all played the way they talk," he says. "The insults can get pretty bad. First you start talking about whose team is better and then you're making fun of the school in general."

Northwestern graduate Kevin Helinger knows the feeling- or at least he once knew. "I used to get reamed by these guys every day," says Helinger, who works with Mivins. "It was like, 'Your football team's a joke, and your school sucks.' I had to hear it all the time."

But last year, Helinger finally had the chance to give some of it back. "I used to come to work with 100 copies of the sports page and pass them out after we (NU) made the top 10," he says. "When we beat Michigan I found every Michigan grad I knew and sang the NU fight

song in his face. It sounds so stupid but I had waited to do it for years."

Helinger attended NU from 1984 to 1988, which were not exactly during the Wildcats' winning years. "I think we won about three games when I was there, so I'm going to enjoy this run as much as I can," he says.

"If that means I get punched in the face one day by some pissed-off Penn State alum, so be it."

Both Helinger and Mivins recall witnessing fights between graduates of different schools. "It can get pretty ugly," says Helinger. "People say some pretty nasty things."

Rob Alscott graduated from the University of Illinois in 1992. Since then, the football team has struggled to win games. But Alscott refuses to give up on his team. "That's not for me to decide," he said. "I can't jump on some team's bandwagon just because they're winning. I have to support my team."

That's not to say Alscott always is pleased with what happens on the field. "I think they stink this year," he says. "They need a new coach and a new approach."

Those are feelings John Mc Gregor has experienced since his graduation from Notre Dame. McGregor, who attended ND during the Gerry Faust years in the 1980s, remembers feelings of elation when the Fighting Irish hired Lou Holtz as coach.

"It was a whole new game," McGregor said. "We were winning, and I was loving it."

But now that Notre Dame has had its share of troubles on the football field, McGregor says the time has come to make another coaching change.

"Holtz has got to go," McGregor not says. "Every time Notre Dame loses I get razed for three or four days. He's already given me about a month's worth, so it's time for him to go."

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# FEATURES

## How OU plans to celebrate

By SUE YAX and JEANNEE KIRKALDY  
Features Editor and Assistant Features Editor

Halloween is just around the corner and OU students, faculty and staff have found many interesting ways to celebrate.

The traditional ways of celebrating this frightfully fun holiday have seemed to pass over many students.

When people think of Halloween many think of trick or treating, but many students on campus felt that they were to old too go out and take part in the activity enjoyed as kids.

"I am gonna be at home, I like passing out candy and watching all the little kids," said Lisa Galli, junior, physical therapy.

Many people shared similar plans, from passing out candy to trick or treating with their own kids or nieces and nephews. Many people like to take part in Halloween in some sort of way.

"I'll be passing out candy to trick or treaters," said David Herman, Dean of Students. "There will also be hot dogs, followed by a marshmallow roast and witch's brew (in his subdivision)."

Herman said he will also take part in the Halloween spirit by dressing up as some sort of ghoulish creature.

"One year it was so bad, I had the kids crying," said Herman. "So now I'm not quite so

scary."

What are people to do if they feel they are too old to go out and trick or treat?

"The biggest challenge will be to see how much candy I can get from my son," joked Herman.

Some students had interesting plans for unsuspecting children on Halloween.

"I am going to be hiding behind a bush where the most kids walk by, because I am to old to go trick or treating, so no one will give me candy," said Jeff Zinger, senior, communication.

"Last year I went to Royal Oak and all I got was 'trendy' candy," said Zinger. "So this year I am going to West Bloomfield to get Godiva Chocolates."

Many parents or siblings will be taking their children out trick or treating to keep them safe from misfit trick or treaters, but one student will be taking her dad out for a night out on the town.

"I am going out trick or treating with my dad, then I am not sure what else I'll do," said Mandy Murawski, dressing up as Jasmine from Disney's *Aladdin*, sophomore, psychology.

For those not interested in trick or treating, Halloween parties are always a great way to still be able to dress up.

"I dressed up as Cody from *Baywatch* for the Theta Chi party," said Brian Wolfbauer, junior, biochemistry. "I wore red shorts, a lifeguard t-shirt

and I had a little red floaty and I put zinc on my nose."

Many people said that they were going to be headed out to the bar scene but still felt the urge to show their Halloween spirit.

"A bunch of my buddies and I are dressing up as greasers and going to Bentley's," said Bob Chryczyk, junior, communication.

Local clubs are getting into the action by hosting costume parties and contests.

Club X in Detroit is one of the hot spots for club goers.

Industry in Pontiac and the bars in downtown Royal Oak were also among the favorite places for people looking for Halloween action.

A lot of people also said they were just going to the bar to hang out with friends, that way they didn't have to dress up.

"I won't get dressed up, but I'll do something," said Gene Lopinski, senior MIS. "I'll probably end up at the bar."

"My Halloween responsibilities thus far have entailed being the designated driver," said Nathan Miller, freshman, engineering.

Some people want nothing to do with dressing up for Halloween.

"I'd feel like a fool," said Dahlia Petrus, OU employee and alumni. "So I am going to the Danzig concert at the State Theatre."



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FAMILAR SIGHTS: decorations like this can be seen elsewhere on campus, houses and in businesses everywhere this Halloween

### Where OU will be on Halloween night

1. Passing out candy at home
2. Work
3. Bar
4. Halloween parties
5. Trick or Treating
6. Practices (choir, sports etc.)
7. Class
8. Jumping out of bushes to steal kids candy.
9. ABS costume party
10. Concerts (Danzig, G3)

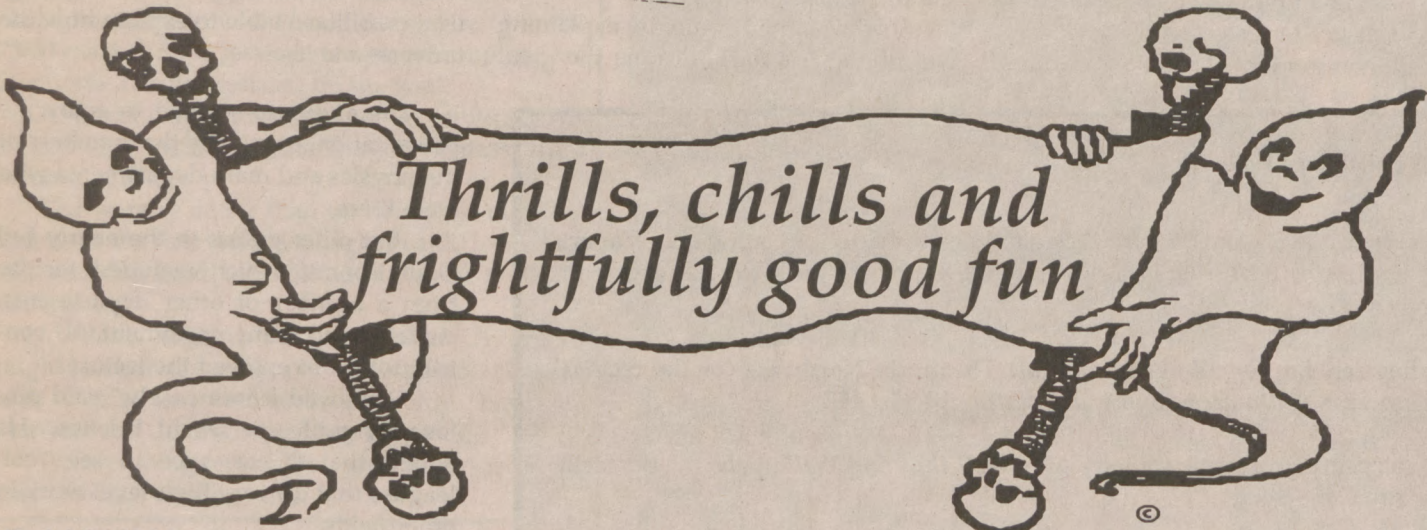
### Top Five Candy Hunting Grounds

1. Rochester Area subs
2. Bloomfield subdivisions
3. Grosse Pointe on Lakeshore
4. Keatington sub in Lake Orion
5. OU Faculty subdivision



### Top Ten Costumes at OU

1. Robert Palmer girls
2. Monster ( ghouls, skeletons, etc.)
3. Cat
4. Witch
5. Genie
6. Cave people
7. Greasers
8. Disney characters
9. Famous people/ characters ( Elvis, Cleopatra, The Flintstones)
10. Devil



By SARAH LEY  
Special Writer

A man-eating alligator, a 28 foot python, and a host of radioactive mutants are among the "regulars" at area haunted houses this year.

Monsters, vampires, ghosts, and other creatures at each of the 125 haunted attractions in the Metro Detroit area will be doing their best to scare, frighten, and otherwise terrify the 200,000 people who will visit them this year.

Here's a glimpse of what can be found at the haunted attractions in the area most running through Nov. 2.

Slaughtered at Sundown features a haunted house and hayrides with "all new attractions never before seen anywhere."

Located in Armada at Romeo Plank Road, just north of 32 Mile Road, Slaughtered at Sundown promises to be "worth the drive from anywhere," according to promoters.

Admission is \$12 for adults and \$10 for children 10 and under, and is open from dusk until midnight until Halloween night. For more information call (810)752-7669.

Terror Town, boasts that it is "North

America's largest haunted house," with more than 20,000 square feet of horror.

Graphic and gory special effects, as well as live animals, make this haunted house unsuitable for children under 13 as well as the faint of heart.

Terror Town is located at the Four Bears Waterpark in Shelby Township. Admission is \$10 and the parking is free. For more information call (810) 739-5863.

Not all haunted house are created just to scare people some raise money for charities.

Children of The Corn in Sterling Heights benefits Second Chance Foundation bone marrow transplant program. It is located at the Freedom Hill Park on Metro Parkway at Schoenherr. Admission is \$10 and the attraction is open from dusk until midnight weekdays and until 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. For more information call (888)SO-SCARY.

Dr. Jeckell's Haunted House at the Riverland Amusement Park on VanDyke, south of M-59, is open through Halloween weekend. Admission is \$10 and hours are dusk until midnight on weekdays and until 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Proceeds will

go to Second Chance Foundation bone marrow transplant program and Annette Ferrara of Macomb County to help pay bone marrow transplant costs. Call (888)SO-SCARY for information.

Rochester Area Jaycee's annual haunted house in the Rochester Municipal Park parking lot until Nov. 2. Admission is \$4. Call (810)652-7777 for more information.

Mutilation Mansion, hosted by the Madison Heights Jaycees and is open through Halloween night until midnight. Admission is \$4 for kids and \$6 for adults. For more information call (810)541-5557.

And finally right here on OU's campus, SILO X which is an intense journey through two separate mazes and a haunted forest in an altered missile silo, with 35 mutated creatures running around. Open everyday o Halloween week until Nov. 2.

Despite long lines and cold weather, there is no better way to be spooked this Halloween season than to visit a local haunted attraction.

"Silo X was the best. I was scared from the moment I walked through the fog, until the very end," OU student Ryan Farris said.

## Hauntings in residence halls

By LISA COUCKE  
Staff Writer

Get out those scary masks, jack-o-lanterns and candy corn because the spirit of Halloween is raising quite a scare at OU.

Last Friday, Fitzgerald House featured a haunted house leaving people screaming for more. The cost was only \$2 so it was a fun way to get scared with little investment.

More than 150 people attended the haunted house. "People were scared, and they had a lot of fun," said Joe Wydeven, assistant hall director of Anibal and Fitzgerald. "But more importantly the people who participated (in putting the event on) had a great time."

"It is always a really good time for everybody," said Wydeven. "It really gets students in the Halloween spirit."

The haunted house was the first scheduled event to kick off Halloween. It is put on by students and the Fitzgerald staff who volunteered their time, dorm rooms and lungs just to give students a scare.

"It is a very old tradition," said Wydeven. "It is usually a good money maker for us."

Another Halloween event on campus is the floor decoration contest in East Vandenberg, sponsored by the East Vandenberg house council.

In past years, different residence

halls and different floors have participated.

This year Vandenberg decided to host a decorating contest to "get everyone (in Vandenberg) into the Halloween spirit," said Dan Sutor, hall director of East Vandenberg.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the best decorated floor.

According to Sutor, six floors will be decorating for Halloween. Judging will be Wednesday night at 9 p.m.

"We will keep the decorations up until the kids from married housing come through," said Sutor.

"Hopefully, people will put a lot of hard work into it," said Sutor.

The cash prizes, \$60 for first place, \$40 for second place and \$20 for third place, will be taken from the general house council account and given to the floor accounts to award the prizes.

"The success of this contest depends on what type of student body you have," said Sutor. "Hamlin Hall always gets really into the contest."

These Halloween activities are a good opportunity for students to get to know each other and to participate in some Halloween fun.

It also allows students the opportunity to take part in Halloween fun even if they don't go out Trick or Treating anymore.

So put on those masks, carve those pumpkins and get ready to scream because Halloween is going to spook OU.



# Key to happiness maintaining balance

By JEANNEE KIRKALDY  
Assistant Features Editor

Knowing how to balance work and family is the key to happiness.

Balance was the key word on Thursday. OU hosted Balancing Work and Family: An Assessment of Community Needs at OU featuring key note speaker Geri Larkin.

Laura Mutz, Director of Marketing Services and Advertising, and one of 70 who attended said, "I'm interested in finding strategies to find balance."

Larkin, President of Strategic Thinking, "Has developed an International reputation for helping individuals and organizations like ours, to achieve greater levels of success in balancing our personal and professional commitments," said Mary Beth Snyder, Vice President for Student Affairs, who introduced the speaker.

The program was developed by a planning committee consisting of nine members in hopes of making OU a more "Family Friendly" institution.

"It's good for OU to try to understand how balancing work and family is critical for employees and students because productivity and commitment to excellence are all linked to this balancing act," said Patricia Beaver, Head Coordinator for the program and Information Specialist.

"When you're out of balance you're not happy," said Larkin. "Go for balance first and everything else second."

Achieving balance can be accomplished by a five course meal. "A life well lived is a supreme meal," said Larkin.

Keep a spiritual side to life, contin-

ue to learn, earn an honest pay, do good works, such as volunteering, and maintain good relationships. "All five bring happiness," said Larkin.

Taking down notes on how each hour of a typical day is spent is one technique Larkin recommends to achieve balance. Label each hour according to one of the five courses to see what meals you've had and what meal is missing.

Breaking three bad habits is also crucial in maintaining a balanced life.

The first habit to break is work-acoholism. Work-acoholics often brag, but often lack balance. It's not the amount of hours spent in the office or the number of sleepless nights that's impressive. "It is the measure of success," said Larkin.

The second habit to break is to get over the addiction of wanting to be liked. It is all right to say no. Larkin said, "Becoming more balanced means saying no sometimes."

The third is Larkin's favorite, the addiction of always having to be busy. The amount of people Larkin sees while driving, not only talking on the phone, but also reading, putting on make-up, and even shaving is unbelievable. "It would be funny, if it wasn't so dangerous," she said.

Starting with a simple solution is a good way to find balance. "It's in the small changes where the big changes begin," said Larkin.

When developing a plan to achieve balance one has to decide what really matters, weed out the junk, set aside time to be alone, never hesitate to ask for help, and trust the process. Larkin said, "Know that small



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**BALANCING ACT:** Faculty, students and staff join to learn valuable tips on time management.

changes have a huge impact."

Following Larkin's presentation lunch was served and group discussions were held on various subjects to help develop a white paper to present to President Gary Russi and the members of his cabinet.

"The white paper will be as important as the program," said Beaver. "It will provide administration information on how to become a more family friendly campus."

Larkin closed the program with words of wisdom of her own, "An entire institution can change from small changes," and words of wisdom from Yoda, "Do or not do, there is no try."

Larkin was presented with a certificate as a token of appreciation signed by President Russi. "That's wonderful," said Larkin. "I'll give it to my mother so she knows I have value."

"I thought it was a great session and very informative," said Mutz. "I'm going to try and apply some of the tips and strategies I learned today to my everyday life."

After the program, Larkin signed autographs and answered additional questions.

# Food tasting gala to benefit Crittenton

By PAMELA MITZELFELD  
Special Writer

With the menu confirmed, the chefs in preparation and the champagne chilling, Crittenton Hospital prepares to host its 20th annual Gourmet Gala Benefit, Sunday, at 5 p.m.

The tickets are pricey (ranging from \$75 to \$175) but it's all for a good cause.

The event, will take place at the Troy Marriott, and features many of the area's finest restaurateurs and vintners, who will serve sample sized portions of their most savory delicacies to more than 800 guests.

Some of the area eateries scheduled for this year's event include: The Rochester Chop House, Kabin Krusers, Mac & Rays, The Kingsley Inn, Picanos, Linos and the Golden Eagle. More than 40 establishments in all will donate their time and culinary offerings to the benefit.

Since the Gala's inception in 1977, the event has raised nearly \$350,000 for Crittenton, with proceeds going to a predetermined need within the hospital. In past years that need has included such projects as the renovation of the Obstetrics and Gynecology unit, the purchase of Cybex physical therapy equipment, and most recently a contribution to the development of the Crittenton Prostate Center. This year's fund will be directed toward the purchase of an additional mammography unit for the Women's center.

Lois Hack, Director of Community Resources said, "The Gala is truly a premiere area event, in fact, many people look on it as the official start of the sea-

son's holiday festivities."

"All the early indications point to another successful year," said Hack.

This year's event will feature a new point of interest for the restaurants and guests. The Creative Presentation Award, this award will be given to the restaurant whose table exhibits the most artistic and creative display.

"The restaurants work so hard in being creative with the space we have given them," said Diane Haig, committee member. "The committee thought that all this effort deserved some sort of recognition."

Gala committee members work in conjunction with Paint Creek Center for the Arts (PCCA) to enlist the talents of local artist, Carolyn Dulin. Dulin created an original piece exclusively for the event, an original clay work which will be presented at the opening of the nights festivities. Dulin has been featured in many art publications, and her work has earned her first place recognition in the "Celebrate Michigan Artists," competition hosted by the PCCA.

Tickets are still available, and may be purchased by calling Crittenton Community Resources at 810/652-5345.



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**MYSTERIES OF THE UNKNOWN:** Lecturer, Beverly Berger shows a presentation to help to clarify common questions that people have about the universe during the first lecture of the President's Colloquium Series.

# Mysteries of universe explored through lecture

By JUSTIN LEE  
Special Writer

Attempting to answer questions on the origin of the universe might seem like an ambitious goal for a lecture, but that was the theme behind the first President's Colloquium on Friday.

Why the sky is dark and other insights on the origins of the universe, the title of lecture given by OU Physics Professor Beverly Berger in the Gold Rooms of the OC, was the first of two colloquia to be held this academic year.

Berger graduated with a bachelor of

science degree with the highest distinction in physics at the University of Rochester in 1967, and earned her Ph.D. in physics from the University of Maryland in 1972. In addition to her current tenure as a professor at OU, Berger has lectured Yale and U-M.

With a computer-generated presentation, which included several computer-generated movies and a number of physical demonstrations, Berger set out to make a very complicated field understandable and entertaining.

She began her lecture by explaining why the sky is dark, despite the great

number of stars and other celestial bodies in space. Berger explained, in short, that because of the advanced age of the universe, and the rapid rate of its expansion, light from some of the outermost objects has yet to reach the Earth, thus cannot be seen.

Berger then tackled questions such as how old the universe is exactly, what did the Big Bang look like, and what's beyond the edge of the universe.

This section incorporated more technical terminology and an analogy using a billiard table to explain how the universe moves.

The audience seemed to enjoy the presentation, especially the members of the physics and math departments who were there.

But other guests in the nearly full Gold Rooms, which included faculty from a number of other departments, students and many prominent OU contributors, also enjoyed the lecture.

"I enjoyed it immensely," said philosophy professor David Bricker. He added that it was nice to see "colleagues that do very high-level work in other fields."

Bricker would like to see more of these lectures, as well. "I like being exposed to wholly new and different things," he said.

Richard Burke, also a philosophy professor, also enjoyed the presentation. "I thought it was very successful," he said. "(It was) the best event this year on campus."

The importance of these lectures cannot be down played, said Burke. "Theory is not just a guess, but something that has a pretty solid foundation in evidence."

OU began the President's Colloquium series last year, with four presentations that ranged from an explanation of the park systems in India, to a comparison of 18th century coffeehouses and today's Internet.

President Gary Russi said that the purpose of the series is "to showcase the accomplishments of our staff."

The second and final President's Colloquium for this academic year will be held Feb. 4 by Political Science Professor, Robert Goldstein.

## OU EVENTS

Ghouls, goblins, frights and fun at **SILO X**, the haunted house on the corner of University and Adams is open now until Halloween night on OU's campus.

Check out pieces taken from the Manoogian Collection, **The Trompe L'oeil Tradition in Contemporary Realism** now through Nov. 24 at the Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

Frances Hodgson Burnett's classic tale of friendship, love and understanding comes to life as MTD performs **The Secret Garden** running through Nov. 10.

She has performed with Bonnie Raitt and Clint Black, and she was voted as "Female Artist of the Year" by universities across the nation. Country music star, **Teresa**, will perform on the main-stage at 8 p.m. in the Gold Rooms of the OC on Tuesday, Nov. 5.

## MUSIC

The bearded men from Texas, **ZZ Top** will blow the doors off the Fox Theatre, Oct. 30 at 8 p.m.

Rock guitarists **Joe Satriani**, **Eric Johnson**, and **Steve Vai** form the **G3** will perform at 7 p.m. at the Palace on Thursday, Oct. 31.

Join the **Halloween party at the Magic Bag** at 9 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31. Local rock band, **Soulsun** will be performing at the bash.

Funky flashback from the 80s when **Cameo**, **The Gap Band**, **Zapp** and **Whodini** perform at the Fox Theatre Nov. 1 at 8 p.m.

**Roomful of Blues** will rock the house with a variety of different styles of blues inspired music at the Magic Bag at 8 p.m. Nov. 2.

Enjoy classic hits by legendary band, **The Who**, when they perform songs from **Quadrophenia** and other favorites. The concert takes place at 8 p.m. at the Palace on Sunday, Nov. 3.

## THEATRE

**Apartment 3A**, comedy by Jeff Daniels tells the story of getting a new apartment, meeting new friends and falling in love at the Purple Rose Theatre running through Nov. 24.

Halloween fun for all at the marquis Theatre in Northville for the comical melodrama **Halloween Soup** running through Oct. 27.

Shakespeare's romantic comedy **All's Well that End Well** opens the Bonstelle Theatre Oct. 25.

Six actors perform 57 different roles in the comedy **The Dining Room** at the Hilberry Theatre running through Nov. 23.

## ART

Serigraphs and new paintings of world famous artist, **Ali Golkar**, have arrived in Southfield. Golkars work is now on display at the Park West Gallery through Nov. 21.

What can be done with everyday products? The **DIA** exhibit **Reffuse: Good Everyday Design from Reused and Recycled Materials** running through Dec. 14 shows the interesting art options available with just a little imagination.

## MOVIES

What would Shakespeare think of this one? William Shakespeare's **Romeo and Juliet** with a modern twist opens Nov. 1.

## OTHER

Cult movie fans will be in for a real treat at the Magic Bag for the **Rocky Horror Picture Show** party on Oct. 30 bring a friend and your favorite props from the movie for a fun filled night.

**Sure Things**



# SPORTS

## Lepley demolition begins

By CHRIS TAIT  
Sports Editor

Several milestones in the construction of the new student fitness and recreation center have been reached this week.

On Monday, North American Dismantling started tearing down portions of the Lepley Sports Center gym and on Tuesday Barton Malow poured the first portion of the approximated 8,000 yards of concrete foundation.

Construction Manager for OU, Chad Harmon explained that demolition process will be completed by next week.

"By next week all that will be left is the concrete floor," Harmon said.

He explained that the demolition crew has to be very precise in what it tears down since part of the old structure, like the con-

crete floor of the gym, will become part of the new facility.

The concrete that was poured will form part of the foundation for what will be the weight lifting and aerobic area of the rec center.

"We will track the cubic yardage of the concrete. That will tell us how we are doing on our schedule," Harmon said.

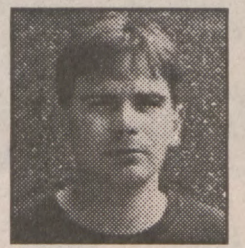
"With the amount of concrete that we have it's going to appear to be a very slow process. You knock out wall partitions in 10 minutes. To the untrained eye it will look like a very slow process," Harmon said.

Harmon said that once the concrete pouring process nears completion the next step will be the fabricating and setting of the structural steel.

The fabrication is expected to take place in December and the setting is slated to begin in last winter or early spring.



**FALLING DOWN:** The old bricks and mortar will be crushed and recycled and used as a temporary road for the construction crews.



Chris Tait

## Changing status from Division II carries benefits, lots of questions

Many people on campus may not know what the difference between NCAA Division I, II, III or NAIA schools are.

Fewer people could name five schools in all four levels of intercollegiate athletics.

Not counting anyone associated with the athletics department, I think that the number of people on campus that could name OU's current conference and all of its member schools — without peeking on the next page — could easily fit into a school bus.

I thought of conducting a survey to find out if my assumption was correct, but I felt that my time would be more wisely spent trying to find more compelling answers to the DI question.

The first question that I wanted to answer was: Has the question already been decided and the fact finding group is just going through the motions?

The answer to this question is an official "No." However, the faint whispers shrouded in the dark cloak of a late October breeze say a decision has already been made.

In this case and in many similar cases I believe that the actual answer becomes moot — what becomes important is opinion.

The six-member fact finding group assigned by President Gary Russi to look into the status of intercollegiate athletics has been compiling data by talking to specific groups on campus in the last several months.

In addition, the three original members (Vice President for Business and Administration Paul Bissonnette, Athletics Director Jack Mehl and NCAA Faculty Representative and College of Arts and Science Associate Dean William Macauley) have now returned from trips to DI schools.

Next Monday, the group will hold an open meeting to discuss the issue. This event offers each member of the university community to add questions, concerns, encouragement or nothing to the information that has already been gathered.

As I said before, your opinion is what counts and the open meeting will allow you to add comments and get answers first hand.

The reason opinion and attendance is important is because it will allow for a large number of people to hear a variety of responses — some positive, some negative.

If the decision to go DI is made, then skeptics who said that the decision had been made already may feel justified.

However, that justification could never be totally validated because if the fact-finding group weighs the pros and cons and the balance swings in the favor of DI, then even though it would appear that the decision was sealed before it started — that assumption would not be correct.

The complexity of deciding whether or not the concerns of some people are justified or not only adds to the sea of confusion that is the DI picture.

There is no way to boil all of the facts down into a series of yes or no questions.

Information helps, but in the end the decision will be made on opinion and on gut feelings because for every example of another school the underlying truth remains: That is another school not OU.

Therefore, any person that cares — yea or nay — should present that opinion to the group next Monday.

## Pioneers cruise past Indians, 3-1

By CHRIS TAIT  
Sports Editor

It was a tale of two halves for the the women's soccer team last Saturday as it rallied for three goals in the second half to down Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 3-1.

For the majority of the season so far, OU has been the team shell shocking opposing goaltenders.

However, things changed dramatically as IUP out hustled the Pioneers and tested junior goalkeeper Kristi McGough with 16 shots.

McGough denied 15 of those attempts en route to posting a school record for saves.

Assistant Coach for Women's Soccer Nick O'Shea said that most of the shots weren't difficult, but the team definitely was out worked in the first half.

After trailing 1-0 in the first, sophomore Jenny Grimm converted on a feed from sophomore Brooke Kairies at 63:21 of the second half to even the score.

As the Pioneers controlled the play more, the scoring chances improved and sophomore Erin Gallagher tallied the eventual game winner at the 73:00 mark. Junior Jessica Mrozek and sophomore Stephanie Lusiner assisted on the goal.

OU continued to press and senior Jodi Richards scored the insurance marker on a pass from Mrozek at 89:00.

"The weren't better than us. They just out hustled us in the first half," Gallagher said. "We're still working hard. We still have playoff hopes in our hearts."

Northeast Region rival Lock Haven University might have shut the door on OU's playoff chances after it lost last weekend. The only thing the Pioneers can do is win and hope for help.

"We are going to work on giving ourselves the best chance," O'Shea said.

## Colombe grabs tenth position, leads Pioneers in GLIAC finals

By CHRIS TAIT  
Sports Editor

At the GLIAC men's and women's cross country championships last weekend freshman Christina Colombe ran to a tenth place finish in the 5,000 meter run for the OU.

"I peeked. That was my best race of the season. Strategically I ran smart," Colombe said.

However, in spite of her performance, the Pioneers couldn't field enough women runners to receive a team score.

Colombe knows that she will have to turn a very solid performance at the NCAA II Great Lakes Regional Nov. 9. Only the top two finishers advance to the National Championships.

Hillsdale College (20) won the women's draw and Ashland University (30) won the men's. On the men's side the Pioneers finished eighth of 11 teams with a team score of 247.



**MISSED OPPORTUNITY:** Sophomore Rob Wisser couldn't capitalize on a golden first-half opportunity when the ball squirted loose from the clutches of the fallen University of Wisconsin at Parkside goalie.

## OU falls to Parkside, 1-0

By JEFF SHELTON  
Staff Writer

With its postseason hopes on the bubble, the Pioneers didn't help its chances last weekend as OU could only manage a split, beating the University of Southern Indiana (7-0) and losing to the University of Wisconsin-Parkside (1-0).

OU used USI as a stepping stone Saturday to get to the championship match of the Central Soccer Classic.

The Pioneers came out of the gates sluggish, but settled down when sophomore midfielder Mike Dodd scored at 22:45 of the first half to spark an OU five-goal flurry.

USI knew the first goal would be important to set the tone, and with OU striking first, inspiration and upset quickly faded into "next

time."

At 25:09, freshman midfielder Jeppe Lagerbohm gave OU a two goal cushion that would grow to seven.

By the end of the half, five different Pioneers were already in the scoring books.

Freshman forward Paul Snape added his first of two goals at 30:47, freshman midfielder Gunnar Halvorsen cashed in at 31:29, and freshman forward Adam Heinemann finished off the first half scoring at 34:07 and bringing the halftime score to 5-0.

In the second half, OU mustered two goals, as senior midfielder Ben Cesa at 56:34 and Snape at 87:47 rounded out the scoring for the Pioneers.

OU outshot USI, 21-1 as junior goalkeeper Amir Tal didn't have to make any saves to keep OU in the game.

The Pioneers should have saved some of its offensive scoring surge for the University of Wisconsin at

Parkside, as UWP handed OU a 1-0 loss in the championship game.

UWP struck at 23:07 after a miscommunication between the OU defense, leaving the opposing forward with a break away leading to the only goal of the game.

It was a game that saw yellow card after yellow card, and eventually a red card to OU Senior defenseman Paul Doroh for a dangerous slide tackle.

Though OU outshot its opponent 8-3, the second half pressure fizzled out, as they faced a swarming UWP defense short a man.

The split brought OU's record to 9-5-2 overall, but the Pioneers still face the threat of missing the post-season if the squad doesn't have a strong finish in the remaining four games.

The Pioneers travel to Lewis University and Tiffin University, before finishing the season with two home games against Eastern Michigan University and GLIAC opponent Ashland University.

OU	7
USI	0
OU	0
UWP	1



Pioneer of the Week



Christina Colombe  
Women's Cross Country  
Freshman

Colombe earned All-GLIAC honors by placing 10th at the GLIAC Championship meet on Saturday, which was hosted by Grand Valley State. Colombe toured the 5,000 meter course in 18:55.

The Pioneer sports week

Wed., Oct. 30

- Men's Soccer Team at Lewis University (12 p.m.)
- Women's Soccer Team at LU (2:30 p.m.)

Fri., Nov. 1

- Women's Volleyball Team hosts Grand Valley State University (7:30 p.m.)
- Men's and Women's Swim and Dive teams at the University of Toledo (7 p.m.)

Sat., Nov. 2

- Men's Soccer Team at Tiffin University(2 p.m.)
- Women's Soccer Team at TU (12 p.m.)
- Women's Volleyball Team hosts Ferris State University (7:30 p.m.)

Tue., Nov. 5

- Men's Soccer Team hosts Eastern Michigan University (3 p.m.)

\* Denotes GLIAC game.  
\*\* Home games in bold type.

Tennis team finishes third

By CHRIS TAIT  
Sports Editor

It was three of a kind for the women's tennis team last week as it claimed the third spot in the GLIAC Women's Tennis Championship.

At the tournament, OU finished third behind Ferris State University and Northwood University.

"We finished pretty much where we should've finished," Head Tennis Coach Kris Jeffery said.

OU had also finished the regular season third behind Ferris State University and Northwood University.

Once the dual match points

were awarded and the tournament finish points were awarded it was an FSU, NU and OU finish.

Also, the lone Pioneer to advance to the championships was No. 3 singles player junior Amy Cook who ended up losing to Sarah Spann of FSU, 6-1, 6-2.

"It was good to see Amy get to the finals at No. 3. She really had a good win in the semis over SVSU," Jeffery said.

In that match, Cook defeated Stephanie Watt in a back and forth battle.

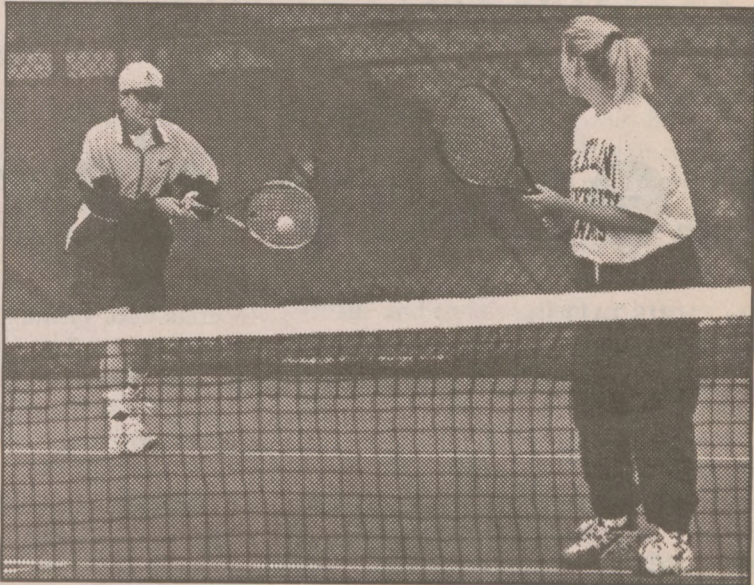
Freshman Jayne Humphrey advanced to the semi-final round to lead the other singles players. Katie Kennedy, Kristie Mathews, Leanne McCarty and Anna Walawender all lost in the second round.

On the doubles side, the tandems of Cook-Humphrey and McCarty-Tragle made it to the semi-final round.

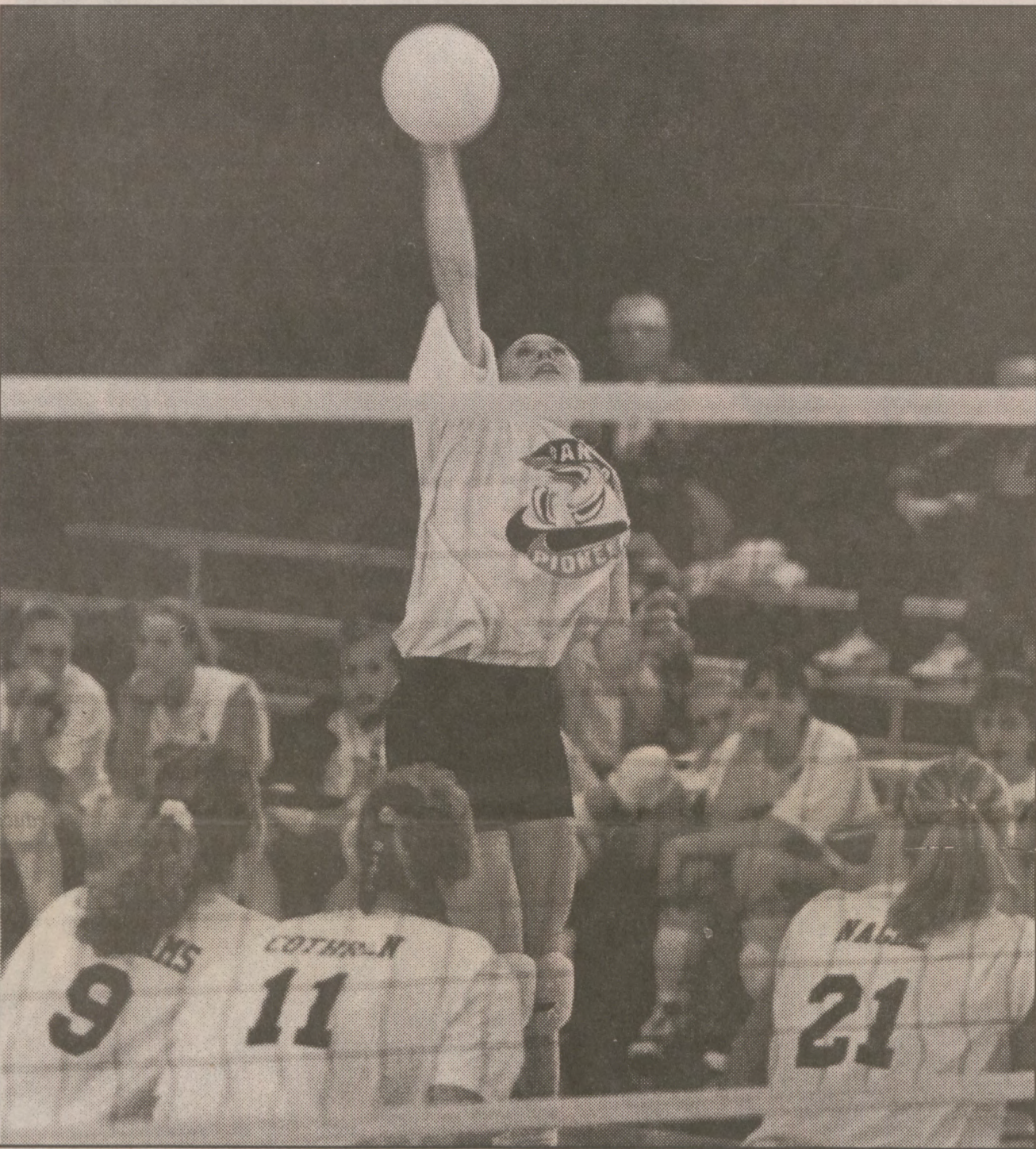
The Kennedy-Mathews pairing lost in the second round, but Jeffery said that was a good finish for them considering the tough competition.

The tournament reflected the season just as it mirrored the strength of the team. It was the consistency and depth of the team that gave it a third place finish for the season and the tournament.

"We were consistent across the board finishing between second and seventh," Jeffery said.



Post Photo/Bob Knoke  
TEAM WORK: The singles unit of junior Amy Cook (left) and freshman Jayne Humphrey advanced to the semis.



Post Photo/Bob Knoke  
HOME COURT ADVANTAGE: Senior Stephanie Sasek racked up 16 kills against Saginaw Valley State University last Friday. Last night, OU hosted Wayne State University in a first place match up.

OU downs SVSU at home, losses to NU on the road

By CHRIS TAIT  
Sports Editor

The women's volleyball team had a chance to move a game up on Wayne State University after the Pioneers defeated Saginaw Valley State University at "The Bubble" Friday, 3-1.

However, the opportunity eluded OU Saturday as it lost a road match to Northwood University, 3-

0.

The split matches tied OU and WSU with 8-4 records atop the GLIAC South.

Against SVSU, senior Stephanie Sasek posted four kills in each of the four games.

Last night's match up with WSU began the Pioneers' five game home stand to close out the regular season.

"We've been on the road too much," Volleyball Coach Dan Schulte said.

At this point in the season, OU can control its own destiny and a win against WSU will be huge heading down the final stretch.

"Our goal now is to be 12-1 at home. We don't want anyone to burst our bubble," Schulte said.

•This weekend the Pioneers host Grand Valley State University and Ferris State University.

Alessandri leads team to a pair of relay wins

By CHRIS TAIT  
Sports Editor

The strength of the men's and women's swimming and diving teams has always been team depth and the relay events.

Both squads competed in the Tom Stubbs Relays at Bowling Green State University last Friday.

Although no official team scores were kept at the meet, the women's swim team claimed victories in the 300-yard butterfly relay and the 200-yard medley relay events.

Senior Gisa Alessandri swam on both winning relays. She led off the butterfly relay and swam the fly portion of the medley relay.

"She's training extremely well and accepting what we're throwing at her during workouts. I think that she has a pretty high confidence level right now and that's good to see," Women's Swim Coach Tracy Huth said.



Gisa Alessandri

Senior Colleen Murphy, junior Jill Mellis and sophomore Lisa Van Tatenhove joined Alessandri on the medley relay. Freshman Betsy Hansen and Jen Stair also competed on the fly relay.

After the first two intercollegiate competitions of the season, Huth said that Alessandri and Stair have been the most consistent performers.

"She's (Stair) a competitor and just hates to lose," Huth said of one of the team captains.

The relays were just as much a work out as anything and Huth felt that his team lost it's competitive focus towards the end.

"We started out well, but I was a little disappointed towards the end. Overall, we didn't make a lot of mistakes, but some people could've been more aggressive," Huth said.

The men's team was held winless at the event by a strong field of Division I teams including the University of Toledo.

The men swam to second place finishes in the 300-yard backstroke and the 800-yard freestyle events.

Pioneer weekly sports standings

Men's Soccer						
School	GLIAC			All Games		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Mercyhurst College	3	0	1	11	3	1
Gannon University	3	1	0	12	4	1
Oakland University	1	1	1	9	5	2
Ashland University	1	2	0	6	10	1
Saginaw Valley State	0	4	0	1	14	2

Women's Soccer						
School	GLIAC			All Games		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Oakland University	7	0	0	14	3	0
Gannon University	5	2	0	11	8	0
Mercyhurst College	5	2	0	8	7	0
Ashland University	5	2	0	7	9	0
Grand Valley State	3	4	0	7	8	0
Northwood	2	5	0	7	9	1
Northern Michigan	1	6	0	2	9	0
Saginaw Valley State	0	7	0	1	13	0

Volleyball				
Southern Division	GLIAC		All Games	
	W	L	W	L
Oakland University	8	4	18	10
Wayne State University	8	4	15	10
Ashland University	4	8	11	19
Hillsdale College	4	8	8	19
Mercyhurst University	2	10	6	20
Gannon University	1	11	7	18
Northern Division				
Northern Michigan	13	0	22	3
Michigan Technological	12	1	20	6
Northwood College	9	3	22	3
Ferris State University	9	2	16	9
Grand Valley State	7	5	16	10
Saginaw Valley	2	10	8	16
Lake Superior State	1	13	4	25

Sports in brief	
WOMEN'S TENNIS GLIAC CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL POINT STANDINGS	
Ferris State	24.0
Northwood	22.0
Oakland	20.0
Grand Valley	17.5
Hillsdale	16.5
Michigan Tech	12.5
Wayne State	12.0
Saginaw Valley	11.5
Northern	8.0
Mercyhurst	6.0
Lake Superior	4.0
Gannon	2.0



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dents. Participants can go to as many tables as they would like.

Some of the topics include sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), drug and alcohol abuse, nutrition and exercise, self breast exams, and testicular cancer. Blood pressure screenings will also be available.

Raspbury and Diana Fossi, both RNs and nursing students, put the program together to satisfy a five to six hour block of unstructured clinical time for their community health requirement.

Raspbury said she hopes the health fair will become an annual event put together by nursing students.

The organizers of the event have taken extra steps to make sure the participants really learn.

In addition to a video and literature explaining breast self-exams, for example, different sized "mock" breasts will be available. Women can learn how

to properly perform a self-exam and actually feel a "lump" as opposed to regular breast tissue.

Breast cancer targets young women as well as old, Raspbury said. She knows two women who were diagnosed with breast cancer at 32.

Cancer does not distinguish between the sexes. Testicular cancer usually strikes young men between the ages of 15 and 35, Raspbury said. It's important for young men to know what to look for, she said, because there's a 90% chance of survival if the cancer is caught in its early stages. Otherwise, the disease can be fatal. A testicular exhibit will be available for practice exams.

"It's not widely taught that young men need to perform a monthly self-exam to screen for abnormal lumps or masses," said Karen Olsen, nurse practitioner. Olsen is the new coordinator of health services at Graham Health Center (GHC).

GHC and GM Underwriters Insurance are sponsors of the event. GM Underwriters will be

there, as will the organization Haven for Battered Women and a pharmaceutical representative (more freebies).

While the primary focus is education, an added benefit to participating in the event is the chance to learn more about GHC and its services.

GHC offers acute, urgent, gynecological, and preventive care, in addition to pharmacy and laboratory services. It costs less because medical care is subsidized through student fees. For example, birth control pills cost just \$10 per month.

Females can get a complete physical, pap smear test, cultures for STDs and bloodwork for cholesterol, diabetes, liver and kidney functions, anemia (in other words, a full profile) for \$110. Males can get the same medical services (minus the pap test, of course) for \$60.

Emotional, mental and career counseling is available at GHC. The counseling center also provides psychological testing.

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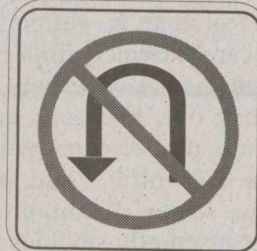
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From Nov. 4 through Nov. 14, Early Registration will be held by SAIL (telephone) by alpha schedule (see pages 3-8 in the Winter *Schedule of Classes* for details and times to register). \*

Nov. 14 is the *last* day to Early Register by phone for Winter Semester, 1997.

The Winter Semester, 1997 *Schedule of Classes* has been mailed to all current Oakland University students. If you did not receive a copy through the mail, there are a limited number of copies available at the Registration Office.

IN-PERSON EXTENDED REGISTRATION BEGINS NOV. 18  
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## CIPO Programs

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### Noon Programs

## POLITICAL ISSUES '96

The results of the OU Mock Elections, sponsored by CIPO and the University Student Congress are:

**President (229 Votes Cast):**

Clinton - 64% Dole - 18%  
Perot - 10% Others - 8%

**US Senate (220 Votes Cast)**

Levin - 72% Romney- 24% Others 4%

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Tuesday, November 5, 1996

## London and Paris

Oakland University will explore London and Paris. The annual international trip will depart Oakland University May 5 and return May 14. Oakland students, employees, alumni and thier guests will be able to sign up. The cost is only \$1445 and includes: roundtrip airfare, lodging for nine nights, daily continental breakfasts, several tours, and much more.

Look for information at the CIPO Service Window or call Dewald Travel @ (810) 528-9900. Information brochures will be available on Monday, October 28.

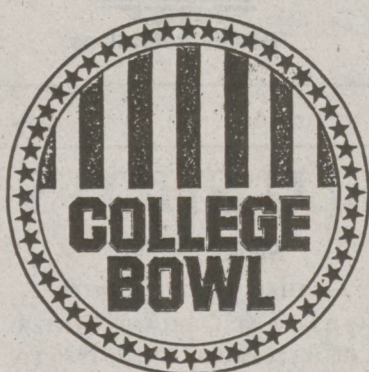
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## Coming Soon College Bowl

### "The Varsity Sport of the Mind"

Oakland University has entered a national competition in the game known as College Bowl. College Bowl is one of the pioneering TV game shows. The game is played by two teams of four persons competing for points. They get points by answering toss up or bonus questions (a team can only answer a bonus question if a team member answers a toss up question correctly.



Look for demonstrations matches to be held in November. The campus tournament will be held in January. Entry forms will be available November 11 at the CIPO Service Window. The winners of the campus tournament will be sent to the regional competition. The winners of the Regional Competition will be sent to the National Championship.

### -Announcing the Fall Leadership Series -

"Your Passport to Leadership" will be held every second and fourth Tuesday from 3-4:30 p.m. in the Meadow Brook Room of the Oakland Center. All student leaders and students are invited to attend. The series will cover topics on Effective Meetings, Conflict Management, Time Management, Stress in Leadership and Delegation. You can sign up at the CIPO Service Window. This is your passport to Leadership at Oakland University.

## Give Blood Today!

Oakland University Blood Drive  
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Oakland Center Fireside Lounge

### Quote of the Week

"You'll be a poorer person all your life if you don't know some of the great stories and poems."  
Walt Disney

# Election

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said Landsberg.

Special Lecturer and Adjunct Professor of Political Science John Kelly feels that the 1996 election is of extreme importance. "This is a clash of political ideals. ... On one hand you have the Democratic side under Bill Clinton - a grand coalition of baby boomers, new dealers, union-working people and young people," he said.

"One the other hand, you have an alliance between moral fundamentalists, free-market but personal intervention segments of the population aligned with post-boomers, Republican, ruling-class ethics. ... Each of them has different perspectives on how our society is to be governed into the next millennium, and each of them have different groups that they're appealing to in a very segmented fashion, instead of making a broad-based appeal," Kelly added.

Students, however, have mixed feelings on this year's presidential race.

"I feel that in elections in general are extremely important, and I read all I can about this upcoming one. However, in the long run, this election will be seen as uneventful," said James Bonadio, senior communication major. "It's pretty obvious that Clinton will win, so it's probably going to be another four years of the same stuff."

Though freshman computer science major Douglas Hogg shares Bonadio's prediction that Clinton will lead the country for another four years, he does not share his belief that Clinton is the best person for the position.

"I'm not pleased with Clinton at all, but I feel he'll be re-elected. Most people are satisfied with life in general, and

while Clinton hasn't done anything extremely wrong as President, he hasn't done anything good. I like Bob Dole more, but I'm a bigger Republican supporter than a Dole supporter," said Hogg.

Another Dole supporter, Margaret Latawiec, freshman physical therapy major, supports Dole and his issues, as well. "I'm backing Dole because of what he stands for - I believe in his principles. He's not my favorite person, but he's the best candidate."

Sophomore Norbert Ryan, history major, disagrees. "I strongly dislike Bob Dole and his platform. I feel that Bob Dole holds an ideology that is out of touch with my generation. I think that Bill Clinton plans on and hopefully will address some key issues concerning this country, and I feel he concentrates more on the issues, especially those important to me, such as education."

Some OU students, however, feel that the 1996 will have little impact on the course of the country.

"(This election) is not going to be very important," said Don Bishop, sophomore computer science major. "Politicians will always be politicians, and the President will base his decisions on what the people want, so it doesn't matter who he is," he said.

Many people agreed that Bob Dole's style of personal attacks isn't working, and that he should become more issues-based.

"Dole is resorting to political tactics at the advice of spin doctors and manipulators which lessens his credibility with his own party. Rather than being himself, he's doing what political spin artists tell him to do," said Kelly.

"That's not what his people want to see. They want the genuine Bob Dole, not some cranky

old man who reminds you of the guy that lived on your block and yelled when you would walk across his lawn. They want to see leadership, inspiration, that want someone who elevates them and gives them optimism, even if it's not real," Kelly added.

Kevin Gebhard, a Freshman studying Business, does not share Kelly's outlook on Dole. Gebhard spent a day with Elizabeth Dole two weeks ago when she came to town. Gebhard chauffeured the senator's wife while visiting the area in an attempt to rally more voters.

"I was already in favor of Bob Dole, being a conservative, but meeting Mrs. Dole made me more excited about the Dole campaign. Most people see Dole as some old senator, but meeting his family helped me shatter that stereotype," he said.

As to who will win, the general consensus at OU and around the U.S. predicts four more years of Bill Clinton, but some warn that Dole still has a chance to come through.

"I think that's it's foolish for people to think that Bill Clinton is automatically going to win. I think that's a campaign strategy put together by the Republicans to lull people in complacency. If the Democrats think the election is a walk, they'll stay home, whereas Republicans, on the other hand, will come out and vote no matter what. With the suppression of Democratic voters thinking (Clinton's re-election) will happen, Dole could indeed win. It will be tight," said Kelly.

As for the mock elections, their future is uncertain. "Whether or not Student Congress holds mock elections again depends entirely on who's running Congress at the time," said Kay.



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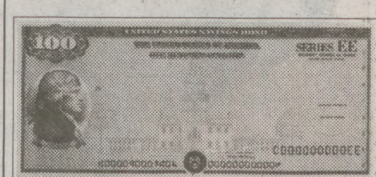
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and there will be a lot more student life (on campus)," said Karrandja.

Karrandja said that the athletic move will yield a higher attendance rate at sporting events because student will be more likely to attend when OU is competing against a school they know, versus watching a match against a "no name" school under the current Division II status.

Early, however, does not feel Congress will pass the resolution, since there was so much negative response from students at the recent meeting.

"Given the climate of opinion (at the meeting), I'm doubtful Congress will support it. ... I'd be very surprised," said Early.

Many of the athletes who attended the meeting, felt going Division I is not OU's best option. "Most of the athletes here (at the meeting) were dead set against it," said Congress member Donny Aird.

Many members of the women's swim and dive team are upset that during the transi-

tion from Division II to Division I AAA, a probationary period of two years will keep them from competing nationally, restricting them to conferences.

"I think the majority of the students are for it, ... but the athletes think they will be out-matched," said Congress member Brian Potter.

In the last seven years, the women's swim team won the NCAA Division II National Championship five times, losing the last two years to Air Force, which moved up to Division I this year.

"We have a conference we could compete at (under Division I AAA probationary period), but it's not the same situation," said freshman Betsy Hansen, swimmer for OU.

Not only is Hansen upset about the probationary period, but she also feels that in 1999, the first year the swim and dive team would be able to compete nationally, the team would not be up to Division I standards, and the chance for a national championship would be gone.

"The junior and sophomore class will not be able to be national champs. Their (Division I) nationals are like going to Olympic pre-trials. All

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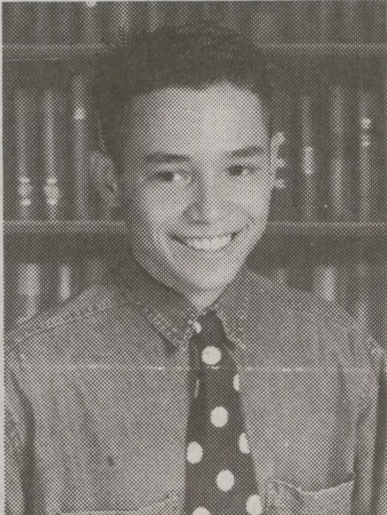
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**STD's top most common infectious diseases**

By College Press Services

ATLANTA- The most common infectious diseases reported are sexually transmitted, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Chlamydia, a disease that often has no symptoms, was the No. 1 most reported infection in 1995, with 477,638 cases, said the CDC in its annual report. That was followed by gonorrhea (392,848 cases) and AIDS (71,547 cases).

The high incidence of chlamydia- tracked for the first time last year- underlines how urgently aggressive screening and treatment is needed, said the American Social Health Association, a STD-prevention group.

"The great irony is that, if it is detected, chlamydia is easily treated and cured," said Peggy Clarke, ASHA president. "We could virtually eradicate it."

Among persons age of 15-24 years, gonorrhea remained the most commonly reported disease.

"Young people under age 25 are at considerable risk for STDs than older people," said Linda Broom, ASHA director of public relations. "There are both biology reasons and behavior reasons for that."

Immune systems of both sexes might not have matured enough to ward off infections, Broom explained. Also, in young women, the cellular structure of the cervix may not be fully developed, she said.

Most cases of chlamydia were reported among women, who accounted for 383,956 cases last year. Rates for gonorrhea and AIDS were substantially higher among males than females, striking 203,563 and 58,007 respectively.

In general, women are more vulnerable to STDs than men because of their internal reproductive system that serves as a "safe harbor" for bacteria and viruses, Broom said.

Despite education efforts, STDs remain prevalent on college campuses for a number of reasons, she added.

"It's very difficult to persuade people in that age group that they're at risk for something as devastating as an STD can be," Broom said.

Also, "If young people are using some type of contraceptive, they're more likely to be using the pill," she said. "Young people are more likely to

not want to use condoms. (That's) embarrassment-related."

College women on the birth control pill often fail to ask their partner to use a condom because they are protected against pregnancy. But to prevent the spread of disease, "they really do need to be using condoms," Broom said. "The latex condom is the condom of choice."

Those sensitive to latex can use either the male or female polyurethane condom, she said.

"However, the only way to be absolutely certain that you're not going to get an STD is not to have sex," she stressed.

A lab test can reveal the presence of chlamydia and gonorrhea infections, she said. But because the signs are hard to spot, those infected often unknowingly spread the disease to other people.

That's why chlamydia is far more common than the number of reported cases indicates, ASHA president Clarke noted.

"Because chlamydia is usually without symptoms, many people are infected without knowing it," Clarke said. "Estimates of new chlamydia infections in the United States are as high as 4 million, making it the fastest spreading STD."

In both men and women, chlamydia infection can range from no visible signs to a spare, clear discharge from the urethra. Left untreated, the disease can cause sterility in women.

Men who have gonorrhea report a yellowish-white discharge from the urethra, as well as burning while urinating.

The groin may also become swollen.

In women, gonorrhea typically has far fewer symptoms. When there are signs, there may be a discharge from the vagina, pain in the pelvic area and frequent urination. Left untreated, it can cause sterility.

Chlamydia and gonorrhea are treatable with antibiotics.

Rounding out the CDC's list of most common infections were: salmonella, hepatitis A, shigellosis (a painful bowel infection), tuberculosis, primary and secondary syphilis, Lyme disease and hepatitis B.

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