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The Grizzlies defeat Michigan for the first time in the Division 1 era on B8.

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SECTION 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.
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Answer the questions about the Constitution on A7 for a chance to win a \$25 cash prize.



In the heels of a beauty queen, OU's Lindsey Tycholiz shines as Miss Oakland County on B1.

Photo courtesy of Lindsey Tycholiz.

Katrina victims call OU home

By ALICIA SOSSI
Senior Reporter

Freshman Jennetter Brown was not able to leave New Orleans before Hurricane Katrina hit.

Her stepfather, a police officer, took her and her three

younger brothers to stay at a hotel during the storm, while he and her mother worked for the disaster team.

Brown was stuck at the hotel for two days, watching in terror as the wind blew in glass doors, and the hurricane completely flooded the first

two floors of the hotel.

"I was so scared," she said. "We realized that even if we tried to get out of the hotel, we weren't going to be able to."

After witnessing the storm that devastated the city she grew up in, Brown was rescued from the hotel by boat.

It took her stepfather a while to find her mother — their phones didn't work — but the family finally met in Baton Rouge, La.

A cousin from Auburn Hills picked up her family and escorted them to Michigan. "I came up here with one

outfit, some flip-flops, and a couple of blankets, that's about it," Brown said.

By then, the Brown's house, cars and possessions were all under water.

For Brown and 16 other hurricane victims now studying at Oakland University, Katrina

was an unexpected and life-changing disaster.

OU has put much effort into helping these students continue their studies without having to stress, said Eleanor Reynolds, assistant vice

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Free speech calls for debate

By BLYTHE A. SIMMONS
Money/Health Editor

Some might say it's ludicrous that the general freedoms given to citizens of the United States can be summed up in a mere 45 words.

Others might just say it's simplistic to ensure universal understanding.

The First Amendment of the Bill of Rights gives American citizens the basic freedoms of individual thought without government intervention.

It serves as the general basis for the values and morals that Americans hold so near and dear.

Faculty and students from various Oakland University departments engaged in panel discussions in the Fireside Lounge yesterday to observe and recognize

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Exploring Michigan's Great Lakes

Hundreds of visitors explore the new National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Thunder Bay Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center at the grand opening celebration Saturday, Sept. 17, 2005, in Alpena, Mich. The 20,000-square-foot facility features Great Lakes and shipwreck exhibits, an auditorium for viewing real-time underwater video of shipwrecks and an archaeological conservation laboratory.

The Associated Press



Mother preaches against all hate

By JULIE SWIDWINSKI & BRIAN DORFMAN
The Oakland Post

an act of hatred. He was lured from a campus bar by two men, tied to fence, tortured and left to die in the cold.

"What took you so long?" was the only response Judy Shepard thought of when her son Matthew told her he was gay.

It was her motherly instinct that allowed her to accept her son's choice, but it was hate for that choice that ripped her son from his life.

"It was a random ... not random ... a useless, pointless, stupid act of hate," Shepard said.

It was almost seven years ago that her 21-year-old son was killed in



Shepard

"What we found (when entering his hospital room) was a motionless, unaware young man with his head swabbed in bandages and tubes everywhere, enabling the body to hold onto life," Shepard said.

The loss of her son five days after his attack placed a void in Shepard that could only be filled by spreading his story. It was this story that students heard when Shepard visited Oakland University as a part of Anti-Hate week, organized by OU's Student Congress.

"He knew that judging,

Please see HATE on A11

Panel suggests ways to improve elections

WASHINGTON (AP) — A private commission trying to restore public confidence in national elections recommended on Monday requiring a free photo ID for voters, drawing opposition from Democrats and some voting rights activists.

Critics suggested that having to acquire the ID cards in order to vote could be an obstacle for

minorities, the poor and older Americans and might intimidate some people.

"We believe such a requirement would constitute nothing less than a 21st century poll tax," said a letter from Reps. John Conyers, D-Mich., and John Lewis, D-Ga. Poll taxes were once used in some states to prevent black citizens from voting.

Former President Carter, a co-chair of the commission, said he was hesitant about the free photo ID proposal at first, but laws passed in some states like Georgia convinced him that a national approach was a better idea.

Republican lawmakers in Georgia pushed through legislation that requires a new voter

identification card that costs \$20 for five years.

"Some states have passed abominable laws that are a disgrace to democracy," Carter said.

The commission proposed that voters who don't have the card could cast a provisional ballot and produce the photo ID later.

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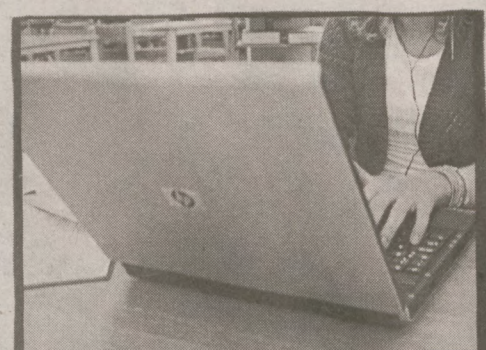
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Student missionaries open eyes to culture

By KRISTIN SOMMER
Senior Reporter

Oakland University seniors Megan Dreslinski and Don Whitt stayed a week in Mexicali, a town outside Tijuana in western Mexico.

"It kind of changes your way of looking at things," Megan Dreslinski said. "You cross the border, and basically nothing's there."

Missionary work like this was the discussion topic as a group of faculty and students gathered in the Fireside Lounge Wednesday night as part of the first event in this year's "Hispanic Celebration 2005: Let's Celebrate Our Latin American Cultures."

Students and faculty exchanged thoughts on missionary work as well as shared experiences from personal missions. The discussion emphasized that not all missions are religious missions.

When they went on a mission a few months ago, Dreslinski and Whitt were part of a group whose job was to play with the children.

Once inside the villages, there is no pavement, and there is trash everywhere, Dreslinski said. Despite their lack of material things, "these people are so happy," she said.

"A lot of times that I've seen missionary work done, it's done for two reasons," Whitt said. "As well as helping the people there, it is done for the people here, to see more than what they see in their everyday lives. It opens their minds and makes them appreciate how fortunate we are," he said.

Dreslinski and Whitt both said they had not encountered many anti-American sentiments. "The people may not like our government, but they don't judge the people," Whitt said.

Whitt said missions have been a habit of his for the past three years. He returned from Jordan just before school started this year.



A U.S. Border Patrol vehicle travels down a road along the U.S./Mexico border above a canyon in Imperial Beach, Calif.

Fran Meuser, co-chair of Hispanic Celebration 2005, shared her experiences from a mission to Guatemala.

Meuser, an associate professor of Spanish, went as a translator with a medical team.

Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital sends teams of interns and residents to give free medical help to people in remote cities.

OU's Hispanic Celebration runs from until Sept. 30. The celebration is a tribute to Latin American cultures, history and future.

"I think other cultures are something that people mean to find out about," Meuser said. "What we hope to do is just to begin to satisfy someone's curiosity."

For more information about OU's Hispanic Celebration 2005, please contact the Center for Student Activities at (248) 370-2400 or csa@oakland.edu.

Hispanic Celebration 2005

Thursday, Sept. 22 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge
— The Oakland University men's and women's soccer teams will show off some skills in the Olé Sports Demonstration.

Friday, Sept. 23 from noon to 1 p.m. in the OC Fireside Lounge
— Brenda Sweeney, Hispanic Outreach on-site coordinator, will discuss uniting language, culture and community.

Saturday, Sept. 24 at 1 p.m. at OU Parking Lot 2
— Take a walking tour of Mexicantown in Detroit followed by dinner at Xochimilco's Mexican Restaurant. Restaurant is located at 3490 Bagley. Dinner will start at 4 p.m. Participants are responsible for their own dinner cost.

Sunday, Sept. 25 at 8:45 a.m. at OU Parking Lot 2
— Hear mass in Spanish followed by Sunday brunch at 9:45 a.m. at St. Anne Church at 1000 St. Anne Street. The cost of Brunch are the responsibility of each participant.

Monday, Sept. 26 from noon to 9 p.m. in the Gold Rooms of the OC
— Celebrate Don Quixote's 400th birthday. At night, free salsa dancing lessons from the Swing and Salsa Club.

Friday, Sept. 30 from noon to 2 p.m. at the OC patio
— The closing ceremony will feature musical entertainment by Gloria Sosa and also include Hispanic vendors with free Latin American food and beverages

Wellness fair strives to educate

By JULIE SWIDWINSKI
Campus News Editor

From message tables to a virtual bar, Oakland University's first ever Wellness Fair offered a wide range of learning tools for students to use.

Hosted by the Graham Health Center, it was an event that provided students with information on binge drinking, stress management, nutrition, anxiety, depression, sexual assault, healthy relationships and sleep.

"Everything we have here is important for students to know," said Pamela Marsh, psychologist and coordinator of Substance Abuse Services. "The whole idea is, here is information to help you take care of yourself all year."

"Education is the key. If students are more educated about the situation, they'll be more inclined to make an educated decision on whether they need help or not," said Chris Carriera, counselor.

One task at hand during the fair was to show students the negative effects of alcohol. "Alcohol is a drug, and it can become very dangerous," said Marsh.

Stationed at the fair was a virtual bar. This computer program is used to calculate blood alcohol content after certain inputted parameters.

Students could choose what to drink and how fast to drink with the click of a mouse.

"It's a tool to help people understand how levels rise and fall based on weight, height and gender," Marsh said.

However, not all problems students face are those that they can be pressured into.

Counselor Maria Wandzel said she notices some eight to 10 students a week come through the counseling center to be tested for learning disabilities.

"They can get accommodations such as more time to take exams and help dealing with learning disabilities," Wandzel said.

"People also come through for stressful stuff such as breakups with boyfriends and family issues. We also have substance abuse counselors here to help students who end up over medicating with street drugs like weed and then can't function in school," she said.

Sherri Zimmerman, who manned the Healthy Relationships table, said she believes that these issues are some of the most important to deal with. "It's important to recognize even subtle forms of unhealthy relationships such as constant criticism meant to control the person," Zimmerman said.

Whether they were looking for help or simply wanted a free massage, students found their own reasons for attending the fair.

"It's something new to look at, I always check out rooms when they do things," said LaNette Johnson. For Johnson, her interest peaked when it came to handling the pressures of school.

"Students need to know steps to release stress or to identify depression," Johnson said.

Other students, like Alicia Gilgen, saw the message tables not only as a free perk for attending but also a glimpse into her future career. "That is what I want to go into. There is a lot of good information here," Gilgen said.

For more information or help for any health related issues, please contact the Graham Health Center at (248) 370-2341 or the Counseling Center at (248) 370-3465.

— Reporters Jennifer Mclean and Mary McKay contributed to this report.

Oakland University OUSC Student Congress

Chartwells' prices, regulations under fire

By ZENNA SYEDA
Assistant Life Editor

After a brief summer investigation of student layoff complaints, Chartwells finds itself in the spotlight again, this time with issues surrounding food prices and meal regulations.

"It seems as if Chartwells slide in some rules that us students were unaware of in their renewed contract this year," said Montrell Potter, OUSC disciplinary chair.

He continued that they are now regulating how much students can eat in the recently renovated Vandenberg Cafeteria, which is mainly used by residential students.

"Between the hours of 7 and 11 p.m., if you get two pieces of pizza, they charge you for two meals, yet before those hours it's charged as one," Porter said.

Before, all student meals were charged as one price upon entrance to the cafeteria and were considered all-you-can-eat.

Saman Waquad, legislative and multicultural affairs director, said during the "extended hours" students are charged after getting their food and it is not on an all-you-can-eat basis.

"If you get chicken tenders, fries and pizza you are charged as two meals," Waquad said.

Vice President Kori Lynn Caver also voiced concerns dealing with prices being raised at the Oakland Center's Subway.

"I spoke to Chartwells about this, and they said they did not raise prices, but that it was mandatory because Subway demanded it. I continued to say that Subway across the street has lower prices, and they argued saying they had done the same," said Caver.

Because of these problems, OUSC voted to research and review these allegations against Chartwells.

Students were also encouraged to attend up coming anti-hate week events such as a giant student organization puzzle, Purple People Day, a candlelight vigil and others.

"Any student organization that is interested in decorating a puzzle piece, they can pick one up from me. We are going to put the puzzle together forming a giant O and U and this will be hung in our new student org research center," said Katie Miller, director of Student Services.

While giving his president's report, Student Body President Michael McGuinness spoke of a discussion with Gov. Jennifer Granholm at the Triangle Foundation Dinner. It was there that she gave him the impression that OU would be getting more funding in the coming future.

Affirmative action was also addressed by a student speaker, senior Courtney Youngblood from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

"I myself am a minority, being a woman and African American. I don't know about you, but I've been at Oakland for four years. I've had many problems with financial aid and that is one area that will be affected if affirmative action is gone," Youngblood said.

The affirmative action ballot proposal was voted as next week's discussion topic of the week, as opposed to discussion on McGuinness' proposed Newspaper Leadership Program, where students can pick up free issues of USA Today and The New York Times.

Selections for the student representatives for the College of Arts and Sciences Assembly were announced as Saman Waquad, Meghan Ashley and Bre Kopson.

They will represent the student body at the assembly, which meets every month and deals with any issues that concerns the CAS.

In closing, the OUSC meeting ended by announcing Monday as "International Talk Like a Pirate Day."

The next OUSC meeting will take place Sept. 26, at 4 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the OC.

POLICEFILES

■ A visitor on campus was given a Breathalyzer after OUPD was dispatched to Fitzgerald Hall. The male's blood-alcohol content was nearly three times the legal limit. The 18-year-old was issued a MIP and driven home by the student he was visiting.

■ Around 1:30 a.m. last Friday, OUPD was called to the student apartments. A female resident

and her two friends had been in her apartment when the male student she had been dating came by. The resident and the male stepped into her bedroom to talk. The male was upset that his cell phone had been damaged earlier during a water fight between the resident and her two friends. The male demanded an apology, but the female refused. The male pushed her onto the bed and held her there. She was then punched in the face by the male. After trying to

kick him to free herself, she got up and told him to leave. The male pushed her back onto the bed, and they fought for a few minutes. The female ripped off the male's necklace and managed to punch him in the lip. The male responded by punching her in the face several times. She freed herself and called 911. The victim does not want to press charges.

■ Two students were spotted in the parking lot outside the stu-

dent apartments early Sunday morning with a case of beer. Both were asked for identification, and one was under age. The student admitted to having consumed a couple of drinks. She was given a Breathalyzer and issued a MIP.

■ Two sisters in East Vandenberg Hall were issued MIP tickets after both registered a blood-alcohol content of more than twice the legal limit. Their father was called to pick up the

younger sister because she was under 18 years old.

■ A group of underage drinkers were caught in Hamlin Hall Saturday. One male tried to get away before OUPD arrived, but was spotted in a nearby parking lot. He was given a Breathalyzer and determined to be legally drunk. He was issued an MIP and escorted off campus because he was not a student. Two other underage individuals were discovered later, given a

Breathalyzer and issued MIPs.

■ After running the stop sign at Ravine and Meadowbrook drives a car was pulled over. OUPD asked to search the car and the driver agreed. He admitted that he had marijuana in his pocket. Upon further search of the car the officer found two substances. Both were tested, and positively identified as marijuana and cocaine. The driver was arrested, and his car was towed.

UP AND COMING

Wednesday, Sept. 21

Express your mind at the first monthly Current Events Panel from noon to 1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the Oakland Center.

Discussion topics may include issues involving Hurricane Katrina, the direction of the Supreme Court, the cost of gas and updates of the war in Iraq.

Cheer the Oakland University men's soccer team as they play Detroit. The game starts at 4 p.m. on OU's soccer field.

In honor for victims of hate crimes, discrimination, harassment and oppression, a candlelight vigil will take place at 8:30 p.m. between the OC and O'Dowd Hall.

Thursday, Sept. 22

Join the Honors College as it hosts its first poetry jam of the semester. Bring your own original poetry or just come to listen. Refreshments will be served at the event, which takes place from 5 to 7 p.m. in 112 Vandenberg Hall.

Get Free Pizza (With a Catch) at this interactive disability awareness workshop. Event takes place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the OC.

Friday, Sept. 23

Make your business environmental friendly. Don Mayer, professor of management, will speak on the topic and a panel of experts will discuss it. This event will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

Looking for some laughs?

Join comedian Rik Roberts in the Vandenberg Cafeteria for Friday Night Live. This free show is open to all students and begins at 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 26

Get ahead in the world by learning to be successful even at career fairs. A local employer representative will discuss how to prepare for a career fair, make the 30-second sell, dress for success and plan for future interviews. Join others in Gold Room C of the OC from noon to 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 27

OU professor Sara E. Chapman will present the first lecture in the History Comes Alive! lecture series for 2005-2006. This lecture "French Colonies and the Fur Trade: The Founding of Detroit in 1701," begins at 7 p.m. in Gold Rooms B & C in the OC.

Learn how to be successful at any test that comes your way. Hear strategies that you can use to pass multiple choice, short answer and essay tests. Join other students in the Gold Rooms of the OC from noon to 1 p.m.

Changes to SBA show promise

By KRISTIN SOMMER
Senior Reporter

Oakland University will host an advising week for the first time this October. Aimed at bringing advisors to students, the week will allow undecided and incoming students the chance to become informed about all the majors available.

This fall, 17 percent, or 2,225 of the 13,115 undergraduate students at OU are in the School of Business Administration.

SBA has made several changes recently and more will be coming soon.

Last June, Jonathan Silberman started as the new dean.

Starting next semester, many of the classes will be offered at the Macomb University Center in Clinton Township.

Students will be able to take their first two years at MUC, as well as many of their major classes.

In the fall of 2006, SBA will introduce a new major, Production and Operations Management.

This major will "train you to work in manufacturing and a variety of jobs in the manufacturing sector," said Interim Associate Dean John Tower.

Tower and Tricia Westergaard, advisor, sat down with The Oakland Post to highlight what their school has to offer.

What majors are offered?

A Bachelor of Science degree is available in seven programs.

With just more than 140 students, the largest program is marketing. Accounting and finance follow closely behind in size, with roughly 130 students in each.

One hundred students have chosen general management as their major.

Management Information Systems is the fifth largest program with nearly 90 students.

Human Resources Management and Economics are the smaller programs, with about 40 and 35 students, respectively.

Partnered with the College of Arts and Sciences, a Bachelor of Arts economics degree is offered that is based more on liberal arts rather than the business-based version of SBA.

How's the job market for graduates?

"Overall, the job market for business is good, but the state of Michigan is slow," Westergaard said.

"The accounting area probably has the largest growth. There is also an emphasis on marketing to increase revenue, so marketing is strong," she said.

"MIS is in a bit of a slump. Human resources is a good base, and finance graduates continue to show good opportunities," she added.

In areas where the job market is limited, students can easily acquire other jobs in related fields with their business background, Westergaard said.

Are there any GPA requirements for the majors?

To be admitted to major standing, students need to complete the business pre-core classes with a cumulative GPA of 2.6 at OU. Once in the major, students need to earn at least a 2.0 GPA.

Are there any special programs or clubs students can join?

There are actually more clubs in the SBA than majors. Students can participate in 11 different organizations.

The Women's Economic Society and the Economics Students Association often meet together, and anyone interested in economics can join.

The national professional fraternities Beta Alpha Psi and Alpha Kappa Psi are represented at OU, too.

There is also the American Marketing Association, Financial Management Association, Society for Human Resource Management, Multicultural Business Students Alliance and Management Information Systems Club.

One of the most active organizations is Oakland Accounting Students Information Society, according to Tower.

"The most attention is on Students In Free Enterprise," Tower said. "They have a national competition and have done well in the past. They work with at risk middle and high school students, train them with entrepreneurship to encourage them to stay in school," he said.

For more information about the SBA or advising week, contact the advising office at (248) 370-3285 or New Student Programs at (248) 370-2100.

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- Michigan Renaissance Festival (Through Sept 23)
- Miss Saigon (Sept 24)
- DSO Pops: Toast to Ole Blue Eyes (Oct 6)
- Norma (Oct 12 & 14)
- Late Night Catechism (Oct 18)
- Peter Pan (Oct 18 & 23)
- The Kirov Ballet: The Sleeping Beauty (Oct 21)
- Detroit Pistons vs. Philadelphia 76ers (Nov 2)
- DSO Pops: The Best of the Tonys (Nov 3)
- Menopause: The Musical (Nov 6)
- The Flying Karamarov Brothers (Nov 6)
- La Boheme (Nov 9 & 11)
- Detroit Symphony Orchestra: Bolero (Nov 10)
- Cats (Nov 13)
- Golda's Balcony (Nov 20)
- Savion Glover (Nov 20)
- Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular With the "Rockettes" (Dec 1, 5, 22)
- Joffrey Ballet: "The Nutcracker" (Dec 2)
- DSO: Ode to Joy (Dec 15)
- Broadway's Spirit of Christmas (Dec 4)
- Russian National Ballet Company: Swan Lake (Jan 8)

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September 21, 12 - 1 p.m.,
Fireside Lounge, OC

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Hispanic Celebration '05 "Let's Celebrate Latino Cultures" September 12-30th

Thursday, September 22
OU Sports Demonstration
Featuring the soccer skills of the OU Men's and Women's soccer teams
noon-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge, OC

Friday, September 23
The Hispanic Outreach Services
Uniting language, culture and community!
noon-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge, OC

New Student Organization Advisers Training

Wednesday, September 21,
12-1 p.m.,
Lake Huron Room, OC
Are you a new student organization advisor? If so, you're invited to attend!

Saturday, September 24
A Trip to Mexicantown
Walking tour of Mexicantown followed by a dinner at 4 p.m.
(Dinner cost is on your own)
1 p.m. Meet @ OU pkg lot 2
2 p.m. Meet @ Xochimilco's Mexican Restaurant pkg lot,
3409 Bagley St.

Monday, September 26
**Celebrating the 400th
Birthday of Don Quixote**
noon-1 p.m., Gold Rooms, OC
Free Salsa Lessons
7 - 9 p.m., Gold Rooms, OC

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AAA: Michigan fuel prices drop

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — The statewide average price of a gallon of self-serve, unleaded gasoline tumbled more than 20 cents during the past week, partly because demand for fuel is waning as the summer driving season winds down, a spokesman for AAA Michigan said Monday.

"Basically, what we're seeing is a return to pre-Katrina levels," said Jim Rink, a spokesman for the Dearborn-based auto club.

Gasoline prices in Michigan fell 20.4 cents per gallon, from a statewide average of \$2.91 to \$2.706, reported AAA Michigan, which each day surveys 2,800 gas stations statewide.

The average price fell 24.8 cents per gallon in greater Detroit, from \$2.883 to \$2.635 per gallon.

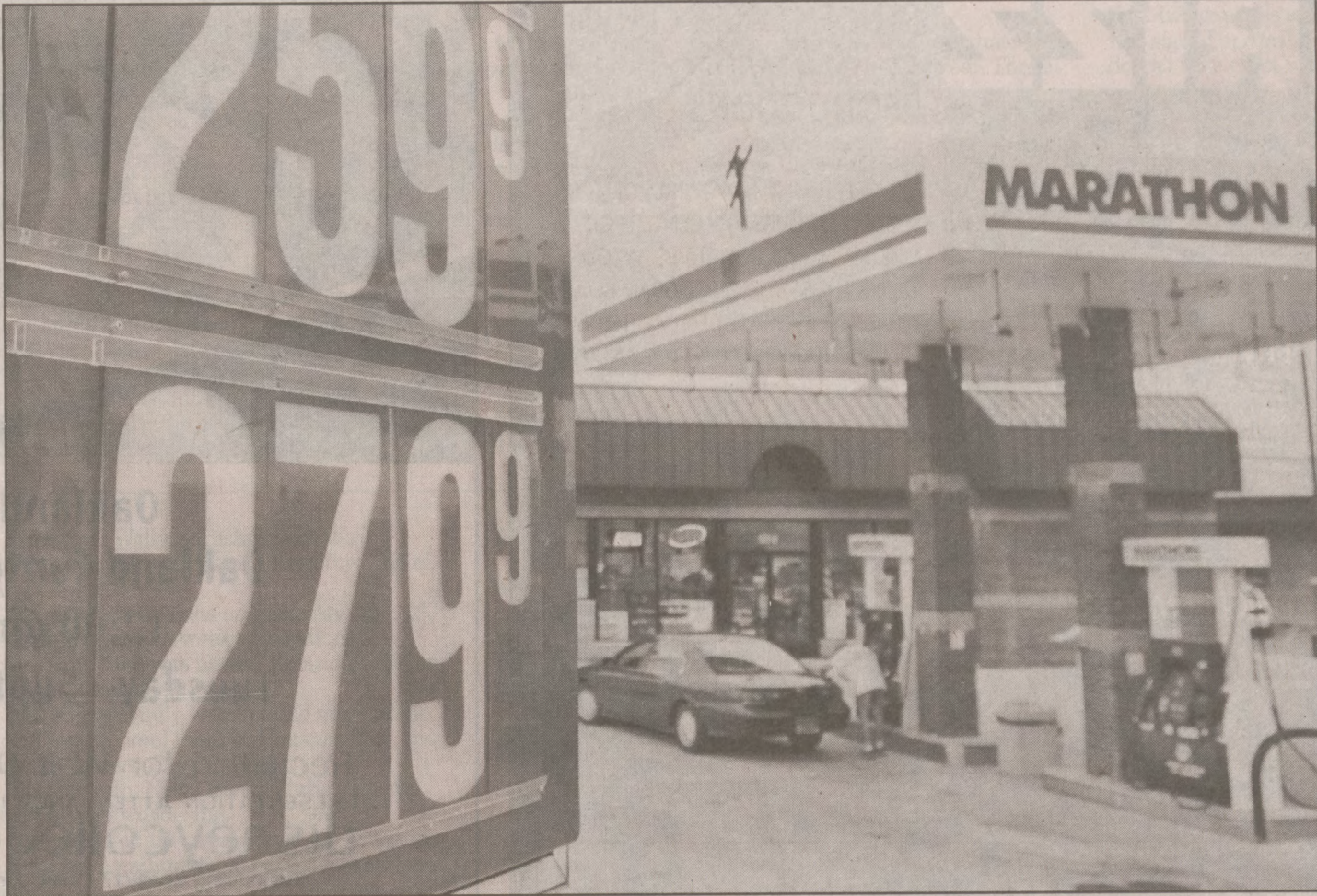
Traverse City had the highest reported prices on Monday, with an average of \$2.842 per gallon, up from \$1.899 last year.

Although fuel prices are falling, they still remain high compared to a year ago, when consumers in the Detroit area paid an average of \$1.866 per gallon.

Prices remain comparatively high for various reasons, including the development of Tropical Storm Rita, Rink said.

The storm posed an immediate threat to Florida, but rough projections of its track raised the possibility that the oil-producing and -refining Louisiana coast could be targeted less than a month after Hurricane Katrina devastated the area.

Still, global demand appears to be decreasing, which should help drive down prices, he said.



Motorists have continued to face high gas prices throughout the nation. Such is the case at this Marathon service station in Westland, Mich. The statewide average price of a gallon of self-serve, unleaded gasoline tumbled more than 20 cents during the past week, partly because demand for fuel is waning as the summer driving season winds down, a spokesman for AAA Michigan said Monday. "Basically, what we're seeing is a return to pre-Katrina levels," said Jim Rink, a spokesman for the Dearborn-based auto club. The average price fell 24.8 cents per gallon in greater Detroit.

The Associated Press

House approves ban on alcohol vaporizing machine

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Michigan is among a growing list of states and local governments moving toward a ban on machines that allow people to inhale alcohol, instead of drink it.

The Michigan House on Thursday voted 102-1 to ban the machines known as Alcohol Without Liquid, or AWOL, which vaporize liquor 80-proof or higher and send alcohol quickly to the brain.

The machines are popular

on college campuses for getting drunk fast without drinking.

The legislation, introduced by Rep. Rick Jones, R-Grand Ledge, would prohibit the possession, sale and use of AWOL machines in the state.

"In my 33 years of law enforcement, I don't think I've seen a more brainless or more dangerous way to use alcohol," he said in a written statement.

Rep. Leon Drolet, R-Clinton

Township, was the only representative to vote against the bill.

He said it will not stop minors from getting their hands on alcohol.

"I don't believe that underage people have a hard time swallowing liquid but an easy time inhaling air," Drolet said.

"It's illegal for minors to drink alcohol, and this bill doesn't change that."

A number of other states, including New York, Maine

and Colorado, and a handful of local governments are considering similar bans, according to an analysis by the non-partisan House Fiscal Agency.

A commercial AWOL machine costs between \$3,000 and \$3,600, but a smaller unit for home use is available online for \$299. It has been available on the East Coast since last summer.

Spirit Partners, of Greensboro, N.C., has the U.S. license to sell the machine. A

telephone message seeking comment about the House vote was left for company president Kevin Morse Thursday afternoon.

In a press release posted on a Web site for AWOL, Morse calls the machine "a fun, new, exciting way for adults to enjoy alcohol in a responsible manner."

The bill now goes to the Senate, where lawmakers are concerned about the public health effects of the AWOL

machines.

A spokesman for the chamber's Republican majority said senators aren't taking an official position on it until they have a chance to review it.

The House-approved bill has the backing of the Michigan Licensed Beverage Association.

"The MLBA believes AWOL machines throw the notion of responsible drinking out the window," association director Cathy Pavick said.

AIDS Walk raises nearly \$400,000

By BRIAN DORMAN
The Oakland Post

More than 10,000 people of all ages walked 3.1 miles Sunday in downtown Royal Oak for the 15th annual AIDS Walk Detroit, a walk which raised nearly \$400,000 for metro Detroiters with HIV/AIDS infection.

"I'm here to help out and contribute," said OU freshman Tom Willhoft.

Roughly 40 million people are across the nation are infected with AIDS/HIV infection. More than 150,000 Michigan residents are

infected with HIV and AIDS.

It is estimated that over 16,200 people in Southeastern Michigan are now living with the virus that causes AIDS.

Steppin' Out, the organization that funded the walk, is a nonprofit volunteer organization that is committed to raising funds to provide direct care services for people living with HIV/AIDS in the local community.

Registration for next year's walk begins in June. Visit www.AIDSWalkDetroit.org or call (248) 399-9255 for more information.

The Lupus Alliance of America describes Lupus as a chronic autoimmune disease in which the body's immune system forms antibodies that attack healthy tissues and organs, causing inflammation.

Walkers trek Metro Beach to raise money for Lupus

By PAUL KAMPE
Senior Reporter

This Saturday, volunteers will be taking a walk in the park to raise money for the Lupus Alliance of America. The 11th Annual Metro-Beach Walk for Lupus is slated to kick off at 10 a.m. at the Metro Beach Park in Mt. Clemens. Nearly 600 participants helped the walk raise almost \$112,000 in 2004.

"The first year was real difficult, but after that it began to grow," said Tom Roberts, the director for Lupus Alliance of America-Michigan/Indiana, organizer of the walk.

Lupus Erythematosus, the official name of the disease, is more prevalent than cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, sickle cell anemia and cystic fibrosis combined.

The Lupus Alliance of America describes lupus as a chronic autoimmune disease, in which the body's immune system forms antibodies that attack healthy tissues and organs, causing inflammation. There is no cure for lupus.

The money raised from the walk is given to the alliance, which in turn uses the money to fund educational programs all over the state.

The alliance also donates money to universities across Michigan to help fund lupus research.

Participants of the walk will register and turn in their pledges at 10 a.m. Participants will begin walking at 11 a.m.

Anyone interested in participating in the walk or donating may contact the Lupus Alliance of America's Michigan/Indiana in St. Clair Shores at (586) 775-8310.

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- How to Survive and Thrive in Your Freshman Year, Thursday, Sept. 27, 12-1 PM, Oakland Room, Oakland Center
- Testing Techniques, Tuesday, Sept. 27, 12-1 PM, Gold Room C, Oakland Center
- No Major? No problem! Wednesday, Sept. 28, 5-6 PM, Rooms 126-127, Oakland Center

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- Thursday, September 22, Resume Writing Clinic and Interview Practice Clinic
 - Friday, September 23, Mock Behavioral Interviews (Pre-registration required)
 - Monday, September 26, Marketing Yourself at Career Fairs and Beyond Seminar
 - Tuesday, September 27, Walt Disney Presentation
 - Wednesday, Sept. 28 and Thursday, Sept. 29, 2-DAY FALL CAREER FAIR
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www.oakland.edu/unit/campus_rec
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Fitness/Wellness — Classes Begin

The Fitness Class schedule is posted on the Campus Recreation Web page. Group Exercise classes have begun and are FREE to Rec Center members. They are drop-in classes, so come and go as your schedule allows.

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Back again this year is the popular and successful "Lighten Up" program. This commitment to change the destructive behavior in your quality of life will focus on adding exercise and smart food choices into your lifestyle. With the support group of participants, class meetings and a \$100 REWARD, this 12-week program couldn't be easier! Requirements for the program: Current membership at the Rec Center, purchase of a fitness assessment (students free, all other Rec members \$25), weekly meetings/information sessions, exercise a minimum of 2 time a week. Register online at www2.oakland.edu/training, or call 248-370-4010.

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Aquatic Center—Learn to Swim

There's still time to register for the Learn to Swim program. Classes begin September 28 and registration is open until that date. Classes are held on Monday, Wednesday or Saturday (depending on the class level). Cost for student/Rec Center member is \$45, non-members \$70. Contact Liz Groth, 248-370-4532, for additional information.



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Gun control groups take aim at deadly force bills

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Gun control advocates failed earlier this year to stop a Florida law allowing people to use deadly force to defend themselves without fear of prosecution from being signed by Gov. Jeb Bush.

They aren't going to let it happen again.

National and local groups that want to see tighter restrictions on guns are taking early aim against similar legislation introduced this month in Michigan.

The Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence and the Million Mom March are sending out press releases criticizing the legislation and are calling lawmakers in an attempt to keep the bills from getting out of the House Judiciary Committee.

"This is a byproduct of having missed the boat in Florida," said Peter Hamm, director of communications for the Washington-based Brady Campaign. "We have been watching like a hawk for this to surface in other states."

The battle in Michigan over the so-called deadly force legislation is an important one for both sides.

It could open the doors to similar laws across the country — a top priority for the National Rifle Association — or stop the effort in its tracks.

The Michigan legislation would eliminate the requirement that people being attacked must retreat before responding, as long as they're in a place they legally have a right to be.

It would allow people who feel threatened, even in a public area, to "meet force with force" and defend themselves without facing criminal or civil prosecution.

State Reps. Tom Casperson of Escanaba and Rick Jones of Grand Ledge, both Republicans, introduced the bills.

They said that although it would be unlikely for a crime victim to face criminal charges for killing someone in self-defense, a law is needed to guarantee it.

"Our intent is to protect crime victims who are in imminent danger of losing their lives," said Jones, who was the Eaton County sheriff before his election to the House last fall.

"This does not put more guns on the street. This will not create the OK

Corral," he said.

Jones said when he introduced his bill a few weeks ago that the measure would allow deadly force to be used only in response to a threat in a person's home or car.

He later corrected himself after learning that it is identical to the Florida law, which allows people who feel threatened anywhere — on the street or even in public places such as a bar — to defend themselves with deadly force.

He said he is open to changes, but personally favors provisions in the Florida law.

Without the threat of prosecution, some of the thousands of Michigan residents carrying concealed weapons may be more likely to use them, said Sarah Brady, chairwoman of the Brady Campaign.

The group is named for her and her husband, Jim, who as President Reagan's press secretary was shot and severely injured during a 1981 assassination attempt on Reagan.

"There are a lot more guns on the street and then you're going to get the right to use them willy-nilly? That

doesn't bode real well," Brady said during a telephone interview.

A little more than 111,600 concealed weapon permits were issued in Michigan in the first three years of a 2001 law that made it easier to get a permit, state police said.

Gun control activists in Michigan are calling their lawmakers and sending them postcards and e-mails to explain their opposition, said Shikha Hamilton, head of the state's Million Mom March chapter.

"The scariest part is that you're removing the duty to retreat. That's really there to preserve life," said Hamilton, of Grosse Pointe. "And if you take someone's life you should have to answer to the police. ... No one is in jail right now for protecting their family."

But Casperson said victims should not have to think about facing a lawsuit down the road.

"As a society, we're saying to the victim right now, 'You have to figure out whether or not you want to flee,'" he said. "I kind of chuckle at that. Do you have time to be thinking about all those things?"

Michigan could be the second state after Florida to take away the threat of prosecution in fatalities caused by people trying to protect themselves.

The legislation may win approval in the House and Senate, where half of each chamber was endorsed by a statewide gun rights advocacy group, the Michigan Coalition for Responsible Gun Owners, in the 2002 and 2004 elections.

The group has been pushing hard for the Michigan bills since the Florida law was signed in April. The Florida law doesn't take effect until Oct. 1.

Spokeswoman Heidi Hansen said Gov. Jennifer Granholm's administration is reviewing the bills.

Rep. William Van Regenmorter is the chairman of the House Judiciary Committee and will decide when the panel will consider the bill package.

The veteran lawmaker, known as a strong supporter of victims' rights, said he is considering the bills.

"I think there's a fundamental right to protect oneself," Van Regenmorter said. "But I want to know what the practical implications are, and there are probably quite a few."

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president of Student Affairs.

The 17 Gulf Coast students received scholarships that cover tuition and fees for one semester at OU.

Assistant Dean Karen Lloyd has met with the students to make them aware of campus resources and help them adjust to OU.

"There's no doubt in their minds that OU has embraced them," Lloyd said. "It just makes me proud to hear them share their appreciation for OU and to be a part of an institution that really cares."

Brionyorel Wells, a freshman at the University of New Orleans, is another one of the 17 students.

She left New Orleans on Saturday, Aug. 29, expecting to have a week of vacation.

"Hurricane time was always vacation time, and then you came back," she said.

But, as her family watched the news of the storm from a hotel room in Houston, Tex., they knew they weren't going back.

"Is this really New Orleans?" she said she found herself wondering.

"They showed the area where our house was, and we have nothing to go back home to," she said.

For a week after that, Wells traveled to

Michigan with a group of 25 family members.

The group made the trip in four cars and even slept at gas stations on the way.

Megan Maes, a Michigan native, was living in uptown New Orleans and studying biology at the University of New Orleans when the hurricane put her plans on another direction.

"I worked really hard for over three years to make New Orleans my home, and now it's taken away," she said.

Maes now plans to finish school at OU.

She is not sure what happened to her possessions and only left her home with a few days worth of clothes and some textbooks.

Still, she said, she is one of the lucky ones.

Michigan natives Jeff Draggich, a junior from

the University of New Orleans, and Matthew Limback, a freshman at Tulane both evacuated New Orleans before the hurricane and plan to return to their schools when able.

"I don't know what happened to the house I was renting, I have no clue," Draggich said.

But he was able to pack almost all of his possessions before evacuating.

Limback said he had spent a total of three hours in his dorm room, and that classes had not yet begun when he evacuated.

Now the pre-med student is trying to adjust his plans. "I had my four years planned at Tulane," he said.

"Coming here will probably make me a five-year student now," he said.

U.S. Constitution Quiz

How well do you know your constitution? Cut out this quiz, fill out your answers and drop them off in the box located at the door of The Oakland Post, 61 OC by 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 26. Contestants who answer all questions correctly will have their names put in a drawing for a \$25 cash prize.

What does the word "Posterity mean?"	When was the last amendment ratified?	What time of day does the presidential term end?	Which amendment limits the president to two terms of office?	Fill in the blank: "nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty,,without due process of law."
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b. fame	b. April 6, 1985	b. 7:00 p.m.	b. 7	b. property
c. future generations	c. June 3, 1945	c. 8:00 p.m.	c. 27	c. happiness
d. security	d. November 13, 1978	d. noon	d. 22	

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Constitution Day, which commemorates the signing of the Constitution by the 55 delegates of the Constitutional Convention.

Constitution Day at OU was an event that was intended on raising awareness and calling to the forefront ideas about what the First Amendment means to the United States today.

In the final panel discussion of the day, panelists and students spoke about the current role the First Amendment plays in arguments regarding free speech and freedom of the press.

Mike Lewis, director of journalism, kicked off the discussion by offering information on a survey by the University of Connecticut that found "high school students across America lack basic knowledge of and appreciation for the First Amendment."

In this study of more than 100,000 students, suburban students were lagging behind urban and rural students in their familiarity and grasp of the First Amendment.

Lewis suggested that the reason for the lack of First Amendment awareness might have to do with students' socioeconomic status.

"The 'haves' tend to protect the status quo, while the 'have nots' tend to protest and want reform," he said. "The 'have nots,' perhaps, would be the ones wanting the right to speak out."

Neal Shine, panelist and retired professor of journalism, may have proved this point as he was met with silence when he asked the audience to identify the author of the First Amendment.

The fundamental importance of the First Amendment was not completely lost in the students who attended the panel discussion.

A resounding majority of the students agreed by a show of hands that they feel that everyone should have the freedom to voice their opinion, whether or not it is popular.

This number dwindled, however, when asked if they felt safe expressing these unpopular or controversial opinions.

Panelist Roqaya Eshamawi, editor-in-chief of The Oakland Post, noted that while students know they have the right to their freedoms, these freedoms are often underutilized because of a fear caused by the government

and other social factors.

"No one can take the First Amendment away from us, but they can create a psychological environment that puts us on edge, so that we feel apprehensive about voicing our opinions," she said.

Post-Sept. 11, 2001, Eshamawi said she felt Americans have a threat hanging over their heads with regards to freedom of speech, with labels such as "terrorism, anti-patriotic and anti-American," being thrown around.

"No one wants to be called that," she said.

Some students found that the introduction of the Patriot Act tested the willingness of Americans to part with some of their freedom and privacy.

Michelle Piskulich, associate dean of arts and sciences, offered an example of how the Patriot Act directly affected OU's campus.

An OU political science professor ran a WebCT-based class simulation that involved possible scenarios for the war in Iraq.

The FBI asked to interview the professor on his motives for running the project, Piskulich said.

Junior Justin Howland was a student in the class where the WebCT simulation was run.

He said he that the uneasy climate created after 9/11 has caused many people to be restricted from doing the things they would regularly do.

"It's like Big Brother will be after you if you say anything that isn't going along with the flow. But that's what our country was founded on — people not going along with the flow," Howland said. "If what you say offends enough people, you get shut down. It's frustrating."

Senior journalism major Allecia Boscarino disagreed, saying she doesn't feel that her rights are being trampled upon.

"I don't feel that my liberties are taken away. What's wrong with being secure?" she said.

"I don't think that we've lost civil liberties ... I just think there's an erosion," Shine said.

"It's the chilling effect of having the FBI coming to your house; the chilling effect it has on academic freedom and research."

The First Amendment of the Constitution reads, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."



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EDITORIAL

Terminate our biases in our society

As we look around campus, we see students. But not just any students, students of all different ages and races. Brown, white, yellow, red. Some are Buddhist, Christian, Muslim, Jewish and Hindu.

We have different backgrounds and experiences. Old, young, poor, rich — no matter what characteristics — we have our differences.

Yet among all of these differences, there is one thing that solidifies us: we are all students. We are all trying to improve our lives by through education.

We all drive, walk or bike to our classes on campus with the same pressing long-term goal in mind: to better ourselves.

While we are here on campus, the rest of the world continues. Continues to drive to work, continues to shop for groceries and continues to walk the dog.

Other people in this world are committing acts of hostility, hate and resentment. In many cases, they act with hate toward others in the world through violent, harmful acts.

As people in this world, and not just students, it is our goal to not let the "outside"

worldly views seep into our minds.

We should not let thoughts of hate against another race, religion, ethnicity, gender or sexual orientation invade our minds or corrupt the way we think.

That is exactly the goal of this week, as the Oakland University Student Congress presents a series of activities aimed against acts of hate, specifically hate crimes.

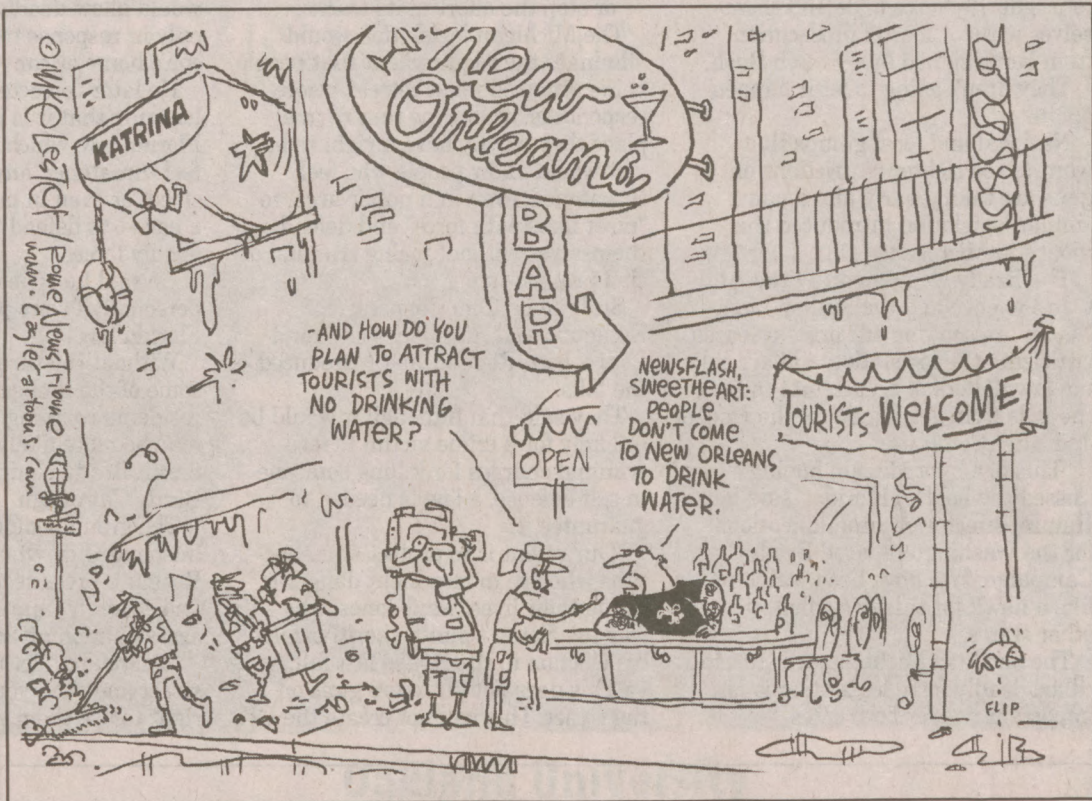
In the last few years, OU has had few incidents of hate crimes, according to the Oakland University Police Department. In fact, between 2001 and 2005, OU did not have any hate crimes on campus or in the residence halls.

According to the FBI's 2003 "Crime in the United States," Michigan reported 427 hate crimes, placing it above southern states infamous for their historical racist hate crimes.

OU's campus, resting in Southeastern Michigan, is only a small portion of Michigan, but we should resist the ideas of hate.

In a "Crash"—like society, here is a chance to analyze our minds in search for any biases and prejudices, and correct them.

Let's hate hate.



"Drinking Water" By Mike Lester

Anti-hate activities challenge students' biases, views



By MICHAEL MCGUINNESS
OU Student Body President

It is the role of your Oakland University Student Congress to address broader student concerns and provide services that we students cannot individually address or provide.

For example, our successful lobbying to keep the recent tuition increase substantially lower than originally proposed is something that we could have only done collaboratively.

Following dangerous incidents that took place at student organization events and led to a change in policy, as well as a string of heated debates stemming from misconceptions and offensive remarks in the past, OUSC felt the need to address the larger problem at play: hate.

Hate exists in our larger society on a daily basis and exists on our campus just like any other campus.

It takes the form of racism, bigotry, sexism, homophobia, ableism and numerous other 'isms,' by which we human beings wound one

another wittingly and unwittingly.

Some of the first important steps that we can take to proactively combat hate is to be aware of it and discuss it.

OUSC is conducting an Anti-Hate Week. Student Services Director Katie Miller and her committee have gone to great lengths to plan this week's activities.

We've brought together student organizations of many stripes with "Fight The Types," so that groups ranging from Greek to political to multi-cultural can confront and dispel stereotypes about who they are and what they do.

Our Student Activities Funding Board (SAFB) helped make it possible.

In coordination with Amnesty International, we've shown the acclaimed film "Hotel Rwanda," which illustrates how intolerance and hate, particularly in relation to ethnicity, can lead to death and destruction.

Our Student Program Board (SPB) has presented a high-profile lecture — for the benefit of the university community — with Judy Shepard, mother of high-profile hate-crime victim Matthew Shepard; he was brutally tortured and killed for being gay.

There are more items remaining on the calendar, too. The individuals around campus that

are colored purple are taking part in an activity done with Residence Halls Programming to raise awareness about discrimination.

"Pizza With A Catch" is concerning disability awareness and features one of our own students who is a motivational speaker on the topic.

Our closing ceremonies will also provide an opportunity to learn more and enjoy dialogue, along with free food and "Don't Hate" Frisbees.

All throughout the week, we have informational tables in the Oakland Center where you can make peace cranes, sign declarations of acceptance, test personal biases, get hug clips and more.

Hate is unfortunately a part of our lives and, presumably, always will be. Yet, we are only a few people in this world and, for that matter, on this campus.

However, by doing our part as individuals and collaboratively as a whole, we can have a positive impact for our own lives and the lives of our peers.

A college education is not solely related to obtaining a degree; it also entails the holistic "college experience" and bettering yourself and others.

Please take part in your Student Congress Anti-Hate Week and remember: Don't Hate.

Anti-Hate Week Activities

Wednesday, Sept. 21

Candlelight Vigil for victims and survivors of hate crimes, discrimination, harassment and oppression.
8:30 p.m. at the Sundial

Purple People Day

All day.
9 p.m. Procession in Vandenberg Cafeteria

Thursday, Sept. 22

Free Pizza (with a catch)
6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Oakland Room
A disability awareness program

Friday, Sept. 23

Closing Ceremony.
11 a.m.-1 p.m. Outside between the OC and Kresge Library

Oakland University: Answer the call for help in the time of tragedy



By GARY BAKER
Columnist

Where were you when it happened? Who were you with? What were you doing? How did you react?

For all of us, there are a few instances in our lives when you know the exact answer to those questions.

For some of them, they are times you would much rather forget, but you can't, as much as you'd like to try.

These are the moments that are forever etched into your brain, into your memory, into your life.

What are they for you? What are your 'I remember exactly...' moments?

My list includes the death of Princess Diana, the Columbine shootings, the O.J. Simpson Bronco chase (and the trial), and lastly, the one with the deepest imprint on my memory, 9/11.

The name of my hometown is Midland Park, NJ, which is a small suburb, from which you can see the skyline of Manhattan.

Lots of people from my town take that morning commute to work in New York. The place where I did my undergraduate studies was a school named Rowan University, which was full of kids like me who had friends, parents, uncles, brothers and sisters who worked in 'The City.'

My roommates at the time were all from similar North Jersey suburbs, and everyone seemed to have some link to the terrible events of that day. People were trying, and some fail-

ing, to get through to their loved ones by cell phone. Some would never have their calls returned.

I remember the day like it was yesterday, as much as I'd like to forget it. That day, our country was struck by terrorism.

Recently, our country was struck by a natural disaster. Hurricane Katrina may not have the 'I remember exactly' effect on those of us who live in Michigan, but it does on a lot of people from Mississippi or Louisiana. Except for them, it's not a moment; it's a changed life.

They will always remember exactly how it felt to lose all of their personal belongings.

For some of them, they will remember exactly what it felt like to unwillingly transfer from Tulane University to Oakland University. They will remember exactly what it

felt like to take shelter wherever possible, and live frugally off of the kindness and donations and others.

They will remember what New Orleans used to be. And they will remember how much it will take to rebuild it. They'll remember seeing entire casinos being picked up and moved across highways like they were houses on a Monopoly board.

You will remember that it all happened, but you may not remember the exact details.

You may not have a loved one affected by it, but you'll remember hearing about the people who do.

You may not remember what it feels like to lose your house, but you'll remember seeing pictures of people who did.

What you can remember is the exact moment that you decided to help out. You can look back in years to come

and say 'I remember when I volunteered to help out in some way.'

You can remember when you made a donation with your Spirit card. You can remember trying to rally people from your dorm to take part in a fundraiser, or donate all their spare change to a campus-wide Penny War.

You can remember when you opened your wallet and gave a few bills to the Red Cross.

Or you can remember when Hurricane Katrina happened, there were countless opportunities to donate or volunteer, and you didn't help in any way. It's your choice.

To make a donation, visit <http://www.redcross.org>.

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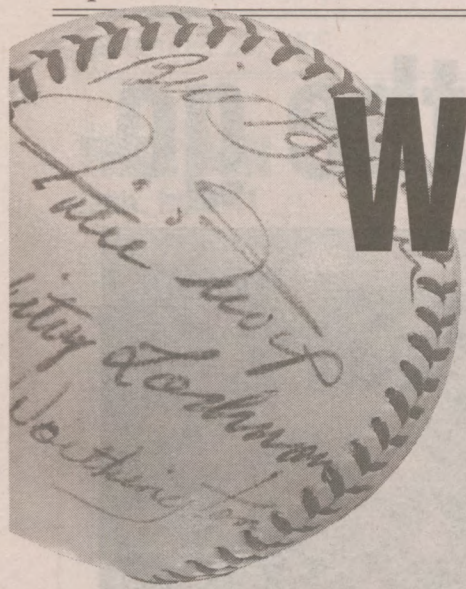
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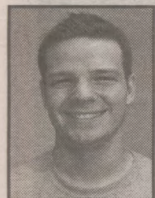
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WORKING IN THE FIELD

Getting that grand-slam internship can be just the experience you need



By DAN STEPANIAN-BENNETT
Guest Columnist

For those of you striking out trying to find an internship, listen up. I was never a 4.0 student, and my resume was nothing close to a home run.

Nevertheless, I applied at several different companies and heard a lot of the same answers, all of which translated to a simple "NO."

Needless to say, I was a whopping 0-for-9 with my internships. So, why all the baseball references?

Well down in the count, I took a swing and applied to the Detroit Tigers.

Yes, it seemed like a long shot. But one application and two interviews later, I found myself in the Luxury Suite Sales and Services Department with the Tigers.

For the first time at Comerica Park since its inception in 2000, Major League Baseball showcased its best and brightest as over 220 countries watched Detroit host the 76th All Star Game. The last time this midsummer classic was in Motown was 1971. The city swelled with all-star fever, as this town's hottest ticket reached prices in the thousands.

Volunteers tirelessly gave the city a much-needed makeover, and it was great seeing the time and effort poured out by both Detroiters and Suburbanites alike.

There are many aspects of an internship that everyone should do; it's not the glory part of any internship.

But I must admit, it was pretty cool driving up to the ballpark everyday and calling it my "work."

It was also exciting getting a chance to work with former Tigers, many of who proudly adorn their World Series rings hailing from the 1968 or 1984 teams.

Whether it's coordinating autograph sessions (with former Tigers such as Gates Brown), making suite visits with former

Tigers, taking suite holders and guests on the field to view batting practice or throw out the first pitch, I loved every minute of it.

Ever since I was a little kid, I've always wanted to play on the field that the Tigers played on. This summer that dream was fulfilled during our annual "suite holder's fantasy batting practice."

Not only did I play catch, shag fly balls and field grounders, I also got the rare opportunity to hit against 1984 World Series Tiger pitcher Dave Rozema.

As luck would have it, I found myself taking a water break and talking with another one of my Tiger heroes, Pitcher Dan Petry. After a little stretch and some much needed fluids, he looked up, glanced my way and said, "I need to warm-up before I start pitching ... you wanna throw with me?"

All of a sudden, I felt this huge surge of excitement fill my body just like a kid on Christmas morning. Somehow, I mustered up, "Uh-huh, yeah."

Now I've been playing catch my whole life. But this was catch with Dan Petry, and, by far, the most nervous I've ever been. At one point, I glanced down at my throwing hand and it was shaking like a rookie.

After the event was finished, I got a chance to hold and wear his embroidered Dan Petry glove. This was one day I will remember for the rest of my life.

I know what you all are thinking, and yes, I did spend my time in the office, too. Again luck was on my side because I had a chance to not only meet, but also get a one-on-one with Mr. John Westhoff, vice president of Baseball Legal Counsel.

After finding out about my pre-law studies, my boss had set up a five-minute meeting with him. We spoke about law schools, working for a professional sports team, steroids in baseball and my (potential) future working for a professional sports team.

After speaking with him for over 20 minutes, it seemed that only two-words came to mind, "DREAM JOB."

There are many more stories, and the great days outnumbered the monotonous ones.

It was great to work with such wonderful people who are young and fun, but

most of all willing to help out whenever possible (Thanks Amy, Connor and Scot).

So, as I return back to school, let me leave you all with some advice. If you are having a hard time finding an internship, keep going, keep applying, keep contacting.

Also, check out the Career Services Department on campus (located in West Vandenberg). They helped me with my resume and will assist you with cover letters, mock interviews and set up a free e-recruiting account for employers to find you.

Don't just search for the internships that are paid. You will be eliminating a large part of available internships. If you are looking for an internship with the Tigers, visit <http://www.detroittigers.com>.

So, now that I've left that wonderful place and have returned back to "fan" status, I realize how much I have learned this summer. I know that I've not made any money this summer (Mom & Dad), but if you ask me I wouldn't have traded it for anything.

GO GET 'EM TIGERS!

Dan Stephanian-Bennett is a pre-law and marketing major. He is a senior.



Student Opinion

What's on your Oakland University wish list? Is it that new olympic swimming pool in Annibal Hall?

Or is it simply something that we have been missing since Matilda Wilson founded this university: a football team? Or would you like to see a sentimental change such as unifying the student body.

Whether it is one of these or not, every OU student has something on their OU wish list.

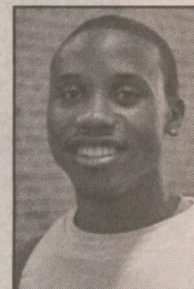


"I would change the interaction with different ethnic groups. Everything is so separate."

Laria White
Freshman
Undecided

"We should have a football team. It will bring so many more people here."

Kyle McGowan
Sophomore
Pre-law

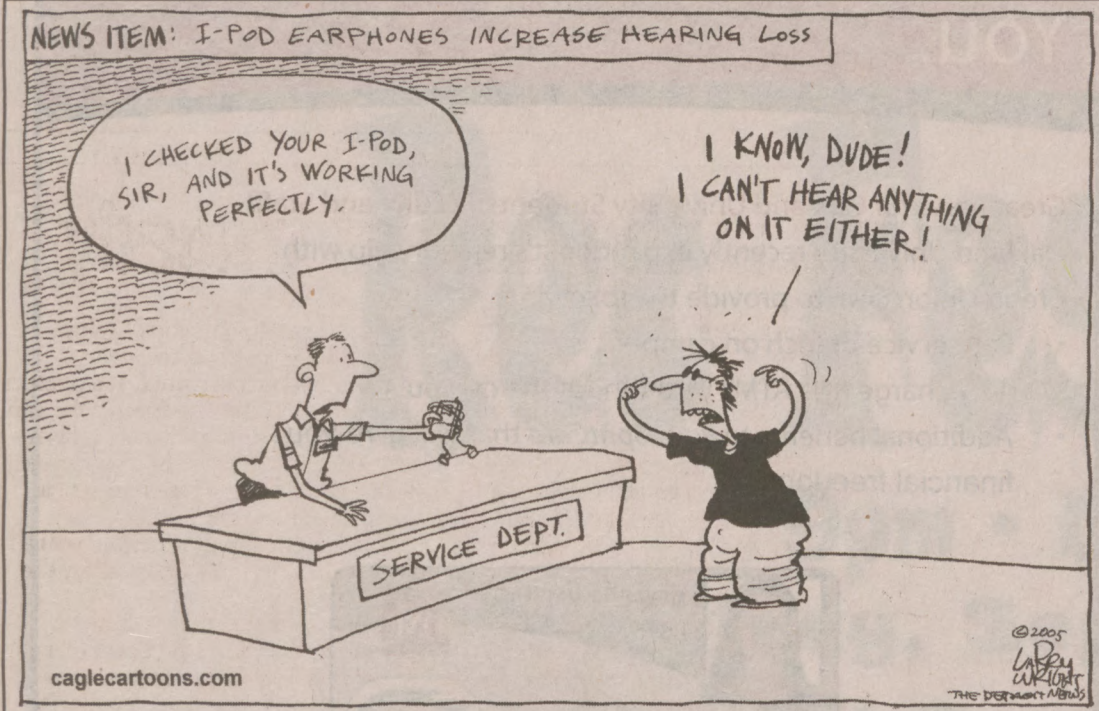


"There should be better parking locations. I park in the nose-bleeds."

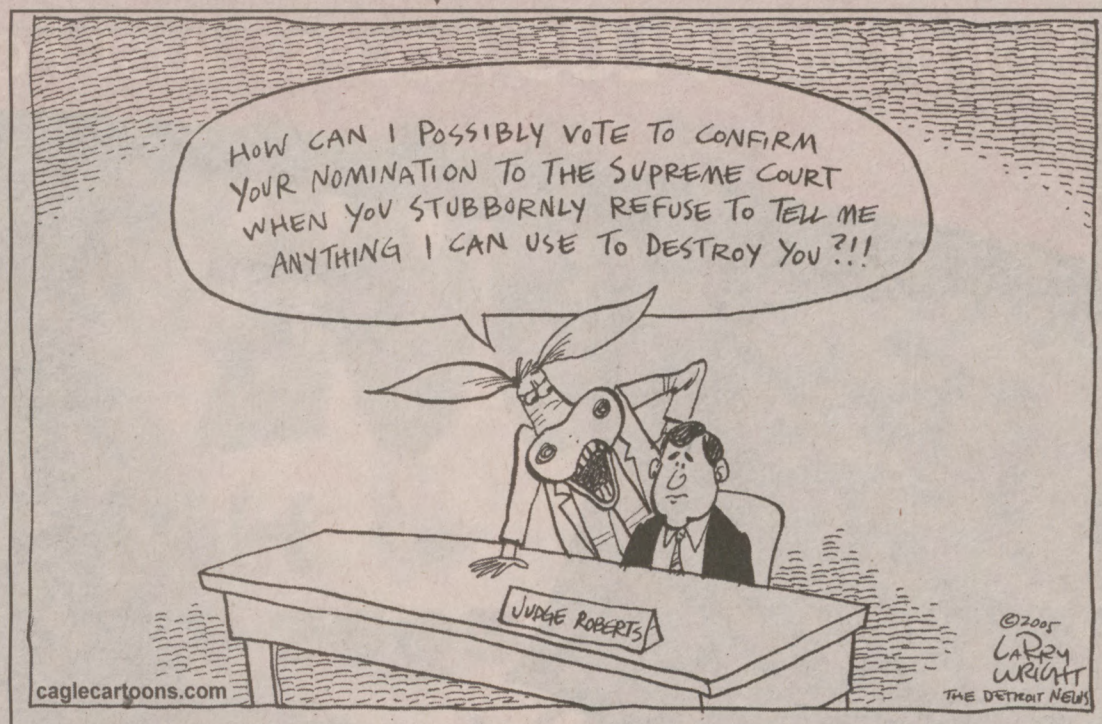
Mike Garrington
Sophomore
Undecided

"I would change it so OU would train leaders, instead of followers."

Brett Suszek
Sophomore
Business



"I-deafness" By Larry Wright



"An Open Mind" By Larry Wright

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Storm, hurricane season still on the go

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) — Rapidly strengthening Hurricane Rita lashed the Florida Keys on Tuesday and headed into the Gulf of Mexico, where forecasters feared it could develop into another blockbuster storm targeting Texas or Louisiana.

Thousands of people were evacuated from the Keys and low-lying areas of northern Cuba. On the far side of the Gulf of Mexico in Texas, Galveston started evacuations and officials made plans to move refugees from Hurricane Katrina who had been housed in the Houston area to Arkansas.

Forecasters said Rita could intensify in the Gulf of Mexico into a Category 4 storm with winds of at least 131 mph. The most likely destination by week's

end was Texas, although Louisiana and northern Mexico were possibilities, according to the National Hurricane Center.

Acting FEMA Director R. David Paulison told reporters that the agency has aircraft and buses available to evacuate residents of areas the hurricane might hit. Rescue teams and truckloads of ice, water and prepared meals were being sent to Texas and Florida.

In other news, Tropical Storm Ophelia rushed past southeastern Massachusetts with little effect on Saturday.

The previous hurricane, which had been worrying North Carolina residents, took leave of the state on Friday, and downgraded to a tropical storm.



The Associated Press
Top: Braving high winds from Hurricane Rita, Shannon Wright takes her 4-month-old son Austin for a walk down the South Jetty in Venice, Fla., Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2005. "We like it when it's windy," she said.

Right: Joe McGee stands in the pounding surf at the Southern Most Point in Key West, Fla., Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2005, as Hurricane Rita neared the lower Florida Keys.
The Associated Press



Top: Ten-year-old Conrad Burrus stands in the winds from Hurricane Ophelia in Buxton, N.C., on Thursday evening.

Below: Tanner Epperson, 8, of Shawnee, Okla., plays in the rough surf caused by Hurricane Rita while visiting Daytona Beach with his family Tuesday evening, Sept. 20, 2005, in Daytona Beach, Fla. It was Epperson's first time to see the ocean.

The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The Army Corps of Engineers raced to patch New Orleans' fractured levee system Tuesday and residents were forced to decide yet again whether to stay or go as a new, rapidly strengthening hurricane threatened to flood the city anew.

"First it was come back, then it was go," said Karen Torre, who returned to her home Tuesday to haul away debris and clean rotted food from her refrigerator before leaving again. "We're just trying to do what they tell us and get a few things done in between."

The new threat was Hurricane Rita — forecasters said it could strengthen to a 131-mph-plus Category 4 and hit Texas by the end of the week. But a slight turn to the right was possible, and engineers warned that even a glancing blow to New Orleans and as little as 6 inches of rain could swamp the city's levees.

"The protection is very tenuous at best," said Dave Wurtzel, the Army Corps official responsible for repairing the 17th Street Canal levee, whose huge breach during Katrina caused the worst of the floods that wrecked the city.

Mayor Ray Nagin and Louisiana Gov. Kathleen Blanco strongly urged people along the Louisiana coast to be prepared to get out.



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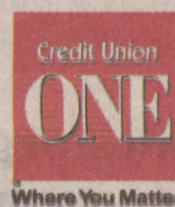
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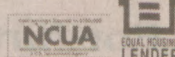
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ELECTION

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States also would have to promote the photo ID card aggressively.

The commission recommended improved voter registration lists, requiring a verifiable paper trail for electronic voting machines and rotating regional primaries, while warning that "Americans are losing confidence in elections."

"Some foreign countries have gone far beyond us in making sure that voting procedures and registration of voters is at a high level of true democracy," said Carter, who has experience monitoring elections around the world.

Carter's co-chair on the private commission, former Secretary of State James Baker, acknowledged that "there is room for improve-

ment" in a system he believes remains strong.

Among the recommendations of the Commission on Federal Election Reform, organized by American University:

■ Top elections officials in states should be nonpartisan and selected by a large majority of the legislature as a way to cut down on partisanship.

■ States should develop registration systems that allow easy checks of voters from one state to another and the purging of outdated voter records.

Carter and Baker presented the plan to President Bush on Monday and talked about their plan at the Capitol.

Both said they thought the recommendations would deal with problems in the system that remained after 2002 legislation intended to deal with shortcomings from the 2000

elections between Bush and Democrat Al Gore.

A rotating regional primary, with Iowa and New Hampshire still leading off the voting, would allow more people to have a say in the choosing of a nominee because fewer than one in 10 voters now cast a ballot before the nominee is decided, Carter said.

Massachusetts Secretary of State William Galvin led efforts to get the rotating regional primary approved by the nation's secretaries of state a few years ago.

He has his doubts whether it will sell.

"The problem with the Carter-Baker Commission is exactly the problem with the National Association of Secretaries of State," Galvin said.

"We're both bipartisan and there's nothing bipartisan about scheming for presidential primaries," he said.

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HATE

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stereotyping and categorizing was the loss of an opportunity. He never understood why everyone didn't think that way," Shepard said about her son.

Her advice to combat the hate was, "Educate, educate, educate. You all have to talk," she said. "You have to talk about you, your stories, the stories of your friends, the stories of your loved ones, the discrimination they face, the fear they face everyday."

For those in attendance, Shepard's words were appreciated in a number of ways.

"She put a lot of emotion into everything and made it seem more of an issue than maybe what you realize in an everyday situations," said junior Rebecca Ambers. "Diversity is important, not just with race, but with sex-

uality and your gender."

Shepard's message hit a personal chord with Student Body President Michael McGuinness.

"Mrs. Shepard was profoundly inspirational," McGuinness said. "Her point about everyone knowing someone who is gay is very much accurate for OU students, especially because they have an openly gay man as their student body president."

Whether preaching her message for compassion or by her work through The Matthew Shepard Foundation, Judy Shepard is trying to combat hatreds of all forms.

"I don't want anyone to forget what happened to Matt, because not only was it my son but it's countless other mother who loss their sons and daughters to this same disease of hate," Shepard said. "I don't want any of you to be Matt or those people, nor do I want any of you to be the two men that murdered Matt."

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OU student crowned Miss Oakland County

By RACHAEL BIERMANN
The Oakland Post

Last summer, in a tight competition of only eight girls, Lindsey Tycholiz won the title of Miss Oakland County.

"I thought I was dreaming," said Tycholiz, a senior at Oakland University. "It was amazing to see the look in my family and friends' eyes afterward."

The Miss Oakland County Pageant, which was originally called Miss Farmington Hills, includes six main categories consisting of talent, an interview, evening wear, swimwear, casual wear and the onstage question.

Each category is broken down into a percentage scale: talent, 35 percent; the interview, 25 percent; evening wear, 15 percent; swimwear, 10 percent; casual wear, 10 percent and onstage question, 5 percent.

Being a choral music education major, with minors in biology and theatre,

Tycholiz said her favorite portion of the competition is the talent, because it gives her a chance to do what she loves best — performing.

"Musical theatre is one of the best things I know of in the whole world," Tycholiz said.

At the pageant, Tycholiz sang "Art Is Calling for Me" by Victor Herbert from the operetta "The Enchantress."

Contestants were required to choose a current pressing issue in society or a platform issue.

Feeling passionate about music education, Tycholiz's platform issue was "Promoting Music Education and the Arts in our Schools."

According to Tycholiz, school music and art programs don't receive the support that they deserve.

Her main reason for entering the competition was the abundance of scholarship opportunities that emerge with winning the title.

For winning Miss Oakland County, Tycholiz won \$2,000 in scholarship money

and a \$4,000 scholarship to Baker College.

In addition, she won \$300 for the talent award and \$250 for winning the Miss America scholar award.

Tycholiz also won other prizes, including a dress sponsored by Kray Chic Boutique, a facial, massage and a \$200 gift certificate to the Royal Treatment Boutique.

"It's such an awesome opportunity that gives young women the means to earn scholarship money to further their education," Tycholiz said.

"It also gives young women the opportunity to give back to their community and touch many people's lives," she said.

Tycholiz also said she feels that her life has been enriched through all the people she has come to meet and know.

Through the Miss USA system, the 22-year-old has been competing in pageants. This was her first Miss America pageant.

In June 2006, Tycholiz has plans to tackle the Miss Michigan America Pageant in Muskegon, where she'll compete with other local title holders from around the state.

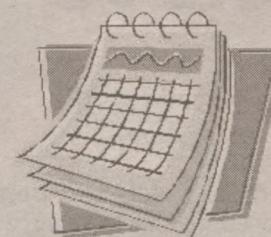
The competition at Miss Michigan will be steeper with a total of 35 girls.

Tycholiz will again showcase her musical talent at the Whitney in a murder mystery show sponsored by Chuck Gaidica.



Tycholiz

Life is full of choices



Thursday, Sept. 22

There is an AA/Alanon meeting on Thursdays at noon in the Conference Room of the Graham Heath Center on the Counseling Center side.

Friday, Sept. 23

The Department of Music, Theater and Dance hosts an evening with noted percussionist Brian Fronzaglia at 8 p.m. in Varner Recital Hall. The admission is free.

Saturday, Sept. 24

The art lecture "Of One Cloth: The Business, Science and Art of 19th Century Photography" begins at 11 a.m. in the Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

Monday, Sept. 26

SPB's Reality Week begins today. There will be a celebration of the reality television phenomenon, with games, prizes and excitement galore until Friday.

Spears gives birth to healthy baby

(AP) — Britney Spears, who sang "I'm not a girl, not yet a woman," is now a mother and she's "ecstatic" about it.

"We are ecstatic to announce the birth of our son."

"Everyone is happy, healthy and doing wonderful. Thank you for all your love and well wishes," Spears and her husband, Kevin

Federline, said in a statement posted on the singer's Web site.

The baby was born Wednesday by Caesarean section at the UCLA Medical Center in Santa Monica, Calif., with Federline by Spears' side in the delivery room, US Weekly

magazine reported.

Spears' Web site includes an option for fans to "Send Your Best Wishes" to

the couple. The proclamation, "It's a Boy," sits beneath a photo of Spears and Federline kissing.

The baby is the first child for the 23-year-old pop star and Federline, 27, who has two children with ex-girlfriend Shar Jackson.

On Thursday, Spears released her new fragrance, "Fantasy." She says it was created with "all kinds of enchanting scents" including "lush red lychee" and even a "hint of cupcakes, white chocolate and jasmine."

Sean Preston Spears-Federline
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'Heaven' expels the devil to take the top box office spot

By **CHRISTY LEMIRE**
The Associated Press

With '80s bands from Duran Duran to Depeche Mode enjoying a revival, it was only a matter of time before a movie came along that was named after a song by The Cure.

"Just Like Heaven," though, is the perfect song to go along with a perky romantic comedy. In case you had any doubts, a cover of it plays over the dreamy opening titles.

But there's Reese Witherspoon, looking sunny and bright and appropriately otherworldly in her blond radiance — since, after all, she haunts the man who rents her apartment after she's involved in a serious car accident, and learns more about life and love while in spiritual form than she ever did on Earth.

Sound just like "Ghost" or "City of Angels?"

Yes, "Just Like Heaven" has elements of all of those and "All of Me" as Mark Ruffalo, showing a surprising knack for physical comedy, convulses and flails while struggling with Witherspoon's ghostly character at a crowded bar over a glass of Scotch.

The whole exercise might have been too precious — and at times its message about the importance of appreci-

ating life is too obvious — if not for the intelligent presence and likability of its two stars.

By now it's clear that Witherspoon has much talent, from drama ("The Man in the Moon") to satire ("Election") to light humor ("Legally Blonde"), but with "Just Like Heaven" she further solidifies herself as the romantic comedy queen.

Between this and "13 Going on 30," Ruffalo continues to show his range beyond the dramatic roles in independent films — most notably "You Can Count on Me" — which have earned him justified universal praise.

Together they bring weight and tenderness to a movie that could have been as ethereal as the fog that lingers over its San Francisco settings.

And director Mark Waters ("Freaky Friday," "Mean Girls") again strikes a comedic tone that is — for the most part — the right balance of sweet and light on its feet, though there are some quiet, down moments that feel a bit too corny.

Adapted from the French novel "If Only It Were True" by Marc

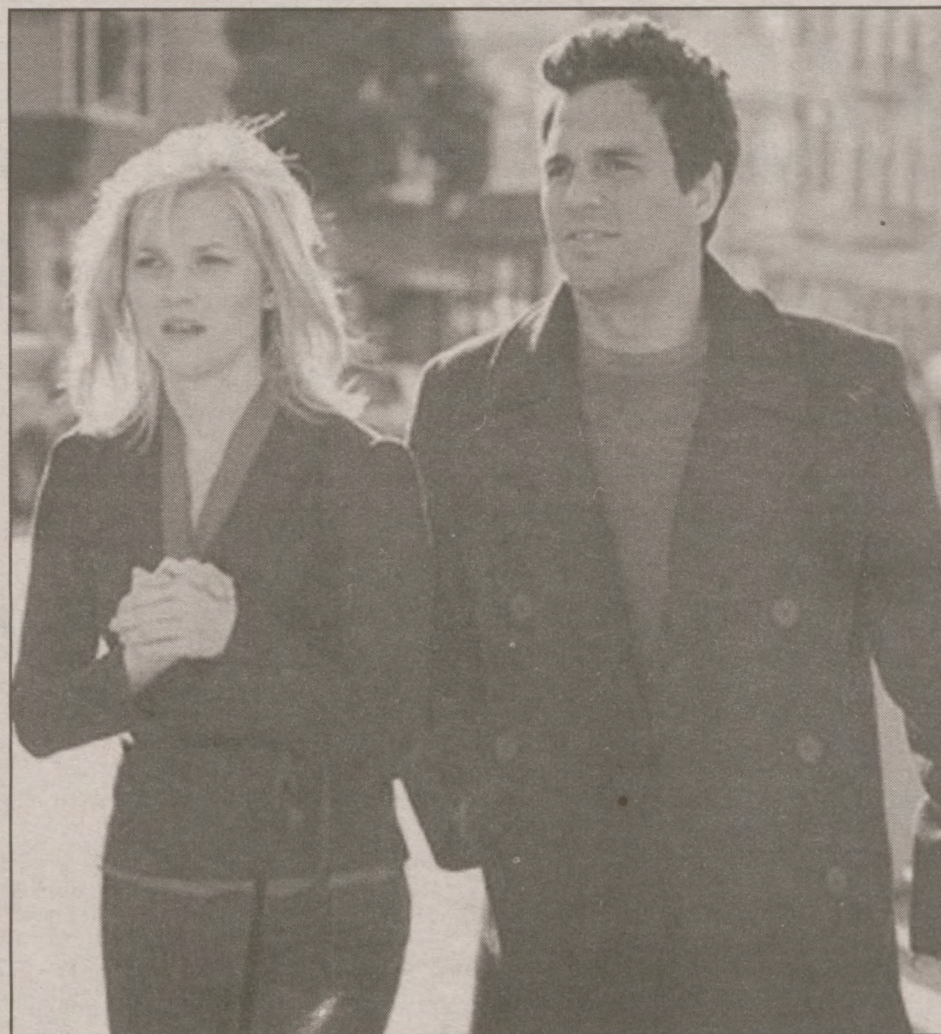
Levy, the script from Peter Tolan and Leslie Dixon finds Witherspoon playing a hardworking, highly organized young doctor named Elizabeth — another of her sharp-tongued, Type-A roles, but with a tinge of loneliness and sadness.

Months after she's involved in a head-on crash while driving to see her older sister (Dina Waters) for dinner, Elizabeth shows up back at her apartment, which Ruffalo's David is renting.

She has no idea what happened to her and doesn't believe she's dead — she thinks David's some homeless guy who's been squatting at her place.

What he's been doing

The Reese Witherspoon, Mark Ruffalo romantic comedy "Just Like Heaven" debuted at No. 1 with an estimated \$16.5 million in ticket sales, bumping the courtroom horror film "The Exorcism of Emily Rose" into second place.



Photos courtesy of <http://www.yahoo.com>.

Mark Ruffalo plays David, a man on a mission to help Elizabeth (Reese Witherspoon) cross over to the "other side" in the romantic comedy "Just Like Heaven."

is drinking beer on the couch and moping around following his wife's death.

Eventually they wear each other's defenses down and establish a witty rapport. The funniest moments come when Elizabeth follows David around in public, where no one can see or hear her but him. Everyone just assumes David is losing his mind as he plunges deeper into depression, including his best friend, a party-boy psychiatrist played by an underused Donal Logue.

"Napoleon Dynamite" star Jon Heder steals all his scenes in a small role as the guy who works at a spiritual bookstore, and the only one who senses

Elizabeth's presence — or so he claims in his laid-back-dude drawl.

David agrees to help Elizabeth figure out who she was and what happened to her, which creates some inconsistencies.

She knows every detail about her apartment, but can't recall a thing about the hospital, where she routinely worked shifts of 24 hours or more.

Amusingly, though, their search for clues leads them to the house of a married, much older man, prompting her to wonder, "Maybe I was a slut — a lonely, homewrecking slut!"

Of course not. As the heroine of a romantic comedy, Elizabeth must have been an angel.

review

"Given its somewhat morbid premise, this metaphysical second-chance comedy is impressively nimble and cheery."

New York Times, A.O. Scott

Fox's 'OC' popularizes Death Cab

By JEREMY SELWESKI
The Oakland Post

Most rock bands would kill to be Death Cab For Cutie right now.

The Bellingham, Washington-based group's fifth album, *Plans*, debuted at No. 4 on the Billboard charts last week, selling just under 90,000 copies — and with almost no airplay from radio or MTV.

So, how did they do it?

They did it the old-fashioned way.

Over the past six years, the band — singer/songwriter/guitarist Benjamin Gibbard, guitarist/producer Chris Walla, bassist Nicholas Harmer and drummer Jason McGerr — has amassed a large, intensely dedicated following through extensive touring, word-of-mouth praise and a series of critically-acclaimed records.

Death Cab's first three albums, "Something about Airplanes" (1999), "We Have the Facts and We're Voting Yes" (2000) and "The Photo Album" (2001), revealed them as an intelligent, sensitive, melodic indie-rock group and earned them favorable comparisons to Built to Spill, Modest Mouse, and Bedhead.

However, it wasn't until 2003, with the release of the brilliant "Transatlanticism" and the success of Gibbard's electronica-tinged side project, "The Postal Service", that the group really started to take off.

Then, in 2004, they scored a guest appearance on Fox's "The O.C." and a coveted spot on the "Vote for Change Tour."

This steady increase in popularity has helped Death Cab become the rare band that is adored by both the indie and emo crowds, but is still accessible enough for the mainstream.

Nevertheless, many longtime fans were worried when they heard the news that Death Cab were making the leap from small indie label Barsuk to corporate giant Atlantic for the release of "Plans."

Those fans can put their fears to rest, as "Plans" is almost entirely devoid of the type of artistic compromises that often come with a major label debut.

The main difference lies in the album's slicker, more polished production — but this is not necessarily a bad thing.

Walla has done a fine job of creating an atmosphere that is both articulate and warm without abandoning his group's signature sound.

"Plans" also features slightly different instrumentation than Death Cab's other records.

Instead of chiming guitars, most songs feature layers of lush pianos and keyboards that are well-suited to the wistful, romantic tone of the music.

Through it all, Gibbard's enigmatic voice and evocative lyrics lend each song a comforting touch.

While most singers would be tempted to turn in strained, overwrought performances over such emotionally rich music, Gibbard leaves you hanging on his every word with his expert

command of subtlety and nuance.

Kicking off with a spacey organ drone and a sparse electric guitar figure, the opening track, "Marching Bands of Manhattan," sets the tone for the rest of the album.

The music floats along with delicate ease as Gibbard illustrates an idealized vision of love, reaching stratospheric heights courtesy of pulsing piano, bass and drums.

The first single, the yearning "Soul Meets Body," is more jangly and uptempo, a blissful pop song in the vein of early R.E.M. with a hook that is impossible to deny.

"So, brown eyes, I'll hold you near. 'Cause you're the only song I want to hear. A melody softly soaring through my atmosphere," Gibbard sings.

"Brothers on a Hotel Bed," a meditative piano ballad filled with sparse drum parts and waves of liquid guitar, tells a tale of two lovers drifting apart as they struggle to deal with the loneliness of living in a big city.

Songs like "Your Heart is an Empty Room," "Different Names for the Same Thing" and "Stable Song" feature ethereal piano lines mingling with gently strummed guitars, ambient synth textures and soul-searching lyrics.

They suggest that Death Cab are exploring a slightly different direction, namely the more epic emotional terrain of Brit-pop groups like Radiohead, Coldplay and Snow Patrol.

Ironically, the most poignant moment on "Plans" is also its most stripped-down.



Photo courtesy yahoo.com

Death Cab for Cutie consists of (l. to r.): guitarist/producer Chris Walla, bassist Nicholas Harmer, singer/songwriter/guitarist Benjamin Gibbard, and drummer Jason McGerr.

The elegant "I Will Follow You into the Dark" finds Gibbard pledging his loyalty to a loved one over nothing but a lilting, Beatlesque acoustic guitar.

On an album filled with extravagant arrangements, it is refreshing to hear such a naked declaration as, "If there's no one beside you when your soul embarks. Then I'll follow you into the dark."

Despite the many highlights, "Plans" does have its share of weaknesses.

On some cuts, it feels as if Death Cab are exercising a little too much restraint, often relying on their ocean-sized production to cover up thin songwriting.

This minor dip in quality is especially apparent in the disc's second half, with more upbeat songs such as the plodding "Crooked Teeth" failing to make the same impression as the ballads.

Although "Plans" is not a true masterpiece on the level of "Transatlanticism," it is still another fine addition to the Death Cab catalogue.

This is their mellowest album since "We Have the Facts," but it shows the band finding new levels of maturity in both its epic sound and its more optimistic lyrics.

No longer wallowing in the depths of romantic longing, Gibbard and Co. have crafted a very satisfying pop record that will likely please old fans as well as attract scores of newcomers.

review

M.I.A. heats up the music scene

By MINEHAHA FORMAN
The Oakland Post

"I'm rockin' on this new bit, I'm hot now, you'll see," M.I.A. boasts in a sing-song chant on one of the catchy beats from her debut album "Arular."

She's not kidding. Original and talented, M.I.A. is topping countless magazine and TV lists of artists to watch including MTV, MTV2 and Blender Magazine.

Maya Arulpragasam or M.I.A. as she is better known, is burning up the music scene with her raw blend of electric, hip-hop and tribal beats creating a style of music that can only be described as experimental.

The edgy, modern sound mixes in layer after layer of unique rhythms developing a full flow of great energy and lyrics that leave you thinking.

As a former Sri-Lankan refugee and daughter of a revolutionary

leader of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil, M.I.A. blends the experiences from her childhood into her music adding to her aggressive originality.

Now based out of West London, the 27-year-old singer is rocking audiences of all nationalities with her contagious beats intriguing lyrics, and natural beauty.

Because of her thick West London accent, it may be difficult to understand what she's saying in her songs at first, but the album comes with a complete listing of all the lyrics which prove to be helpful since her lyrics carry important messages.

M.I.A. is hard to compare to other artists that are popular right now. Her first single, "Galang" is fun and upbeat, perfect to jam to before going out dancing at a club or even at a party.

One of her more popular songs she plays with ethnic drum beats and jungle sounds, she kicks "Sunshowers" off with a bratty chant, "Now what, I'm doin' my thing yo."

M.I.A. will be performing on Sept. 27 at St. Andrews Hall.

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Resume 101: Breaking down your CV

By KELLY L. REYNOLDS

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For many of us here at Oakland University, graduation is nearing and the search for the perfect career is in full swing.

Now that you've got the skills for the job, the first step to impressing a potential employer is submitting a knock-out resume.

The resume, or curriculum vitae, can be organized in many different ways depending on the number of experiences students have or the profession they intend to pursue. According to CollegeBoard.com the most common way to organize a resume is to start off with the objective section, then experience, education and finally finishing with other skills and information.

Objective

The purpose of the objective section is to state the type of job you are applying for. According to HotJobs.com, an objective should begin with "To ..." For example, "Objective: To obtain a position ..."

The objective should be simple, specific and brief. It should be no more than two or three lines and should highlight what you have to offer the company, such as specific skills or experience. The company is more interested in what you can give than what you hope to receive.

Job Experience

The experience section should describe your job history. According to CollegeBoard.com, you should only include jobs that will pertain to the job you are applying for in this section. For example, if you worked at McDonald's, exclude it from the section if you are applying for a job at a zoo, but include it if you are applying for a job as a restaurant manager.

Joe Newby

Objective Challenging and rewarding position in the field of Software Engineering and/or Web Development/ Design.
Summary of Qualifications Seven years web and programming experience. Strong ability to transform business logic into working applications across several platforms. Committed to expanding skill sets and learning new technologies to provide great value to a company's IT Department where diversity and adaptability is key.

Work experience
1/2002 - Present ACME Consulting Associates Detroit, MI
Contract Internet/E-Commerce Developer
• Delphi
• Developed Authentication interface for D9-Series Project
• Key team member in redesign of D9-Series Web Application and associated VBA interfaces
• Lead Software Engineer on corporate web site
• Lead Software Engineer on FDB Project
• Lead Software Engineer on Field-able Interactive Service Terminal prototype for U.S.M.C.

6/2000 - 5/2001 Smalltime Telecom Oak Park, MI
Project Manager/Software Engineer Java, HTML, ASP, VBScript, VBA, JavaScript
• Project Manager on Java based Order Entry Application
• Java 2 / Visual J++ Application Development
• Web Application Development using ASP, HTML, VB Script and an Oracle 8.1.5 Database
• Excel VBA Application Development

8/1999 - 6/2000 ACE Consulting Southfield, MI
Contract Web Designer/Programmer
• Ford Motor Company
• Duties include HTML/ASP Programming and SQL Server database maintenance
• ASP programming
• Graphics manipulation

Education 2002 - Present Oakland University Oakland Co., MI
Bachelor of Computer Science -- In Progress, Current GPA: 3.6/4.0

1995 - 2001, 2003 Macomb Community College Macomb Co., MI
Computer Information Systems (CIS) Programming Specialty
Associates of Applied Science - CIS - Programming Specialty (C++ & Java) - May, 2001
• Graduated Summa Cum Laude - May, 2001
• Associate Developer I Certified - June, 2000

Certifications
Software Experience
Languages
• C++ • Server Side Scripting: ASP, PHP/34, ColdFusion • HTML
• Visual J++ • Visual Basic, VBA, VBScript • Microsoft .Net
• Java 2 • JavaScript • SQL
Applications
• Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, etc.) • Macromedia 2004 MX Suite • QuarkXPress 4/5
• Microsoft Office Suites • Corel Draw, Photopaint, Dream 3D 8 • Various Code Editors (ColdFusion, Borland, etc.)

References available upon request.

Education

The education section is to list your education experience. You should include the name and location of the school, major and minor, if applicable, and any extracurricular activities you took part in. Only include your GPA if you are comfortable sharing this information, it is not a necessary part of this section.

Skills and Information

According to CollegeBoard.com, the other skills and information section should list any computer or language skills you have obtained as well as any associations or memberships to which you have belonged.

Accomplishments and Honors

While writing a resume, be sure to describe any roles and accomplishments using strong action words and key terms that will pop out at employers. These include action keywords like "created," "multi-tasking," "executed," "organized," "performed," "maintained," "supervised," "managed," etc. These words will stand out to the future employer to accent your best qualities.

Other Tips

Make sure while writing your resume, you always use matching verb tenses. You should also keep all descriptions short and use consistent punctuation. Research the company that you are sending your resume to. Tailor the objective, skills and information sections to this employer, as this gives them information they need to know about you.

Career Services offers resume clinic, interview practices this week

Sept. 22: Resume Writing Clinic

Experts from OU's Career Services will be on hand to teach students how to format and prepare a resume that best shows off their skills and qualifications. Students will also be given examples, guides and advice about what to include in their resumes. Others who already have resumes will receive tips for fine-tuning them. The Resume Writing Clinic is from noon-1 p.m., followed by the Resume Critiques from 1-2 p.m. in the Gold Room C of the OC.

Sept. 22: Interview Practice Clinic

Get a heads-up on the latest interviewing techniques and learn how to best answer the questions prospective employers are sure to ask. The Interview Practice Clinic focuses on how students should be preparing for interviews, handling different types of interview questions and situations, as well as information about what potential employers may need or want from students. The workshop will be held from 5-7 p.m. in the Lake Huron Room of the Oakland Center.

Sept. 23: Mock Behavioral Interviews

Representatives from local companies come and interview students just for the experience. Students will go through a brief practice interview, then receive 10 minutes of feedback from their facilitator to help them in future interviews. Students should dress for the interview, and bring copies of their resumes. Students must sign up for this event through Career Service's e-Recruiting@OU program.

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Nutrition: Take a bite out of bad habits



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Eat your veggies

By JENNIFER MCLEAN & KELLY L. REYNOLDS
The Oakland Post

National 5-A-Day month is bringing health awareness and more colorful dinner plates to homes across America this September.

Throughout the month, the Produce for Better Health Foundation and the National 5-A-Day Partnership, encourages everyone to consume five to nine servings of fruits and vegetables daily for improved health.

Fruits and vegetables provide us with much-needed vitamins, minerals and phytochemicals, which are natural plant compounds that shelter plants and give them their vibrant color.

Scientists have found phytochemicals may offer disease prevention, a lower risk of cancer, improved memory and strengthened immune system.

Students may often find it difficult to get the daily recommended servings of fruits and vegetables.

"I try to monitor what I eat, but being a college student sometimes you just grab what you can get," Oakland University student Alyssa Winowski said.

"Our culture is pushing over-eating and large portions of food that are not nutritionally dense," said Joanne M. Talarek, director of the Graham Health Center.

Fruits and vegetables supply us with nutrients, fiber and antioxidants that can help students to stay healthy in the unhealthy dietary landscape of college campuses.

OU student Mark Schroeder can relate to not having the time to eat healthy.

"People are always working long days and taking lots of classes. There's no time to go to the grocery store and make a meal," he said.

The National 5-A-Day partnership suggests students put aside time for trips to the grocery store to buy fresh produce. They also advise students to replace junk food with dried fruit or veggie snacks and to purchase leafy green salad instead of pasta salad.

Visit Web site, <http://www.5aDay.com>, for ways to add fruits and vegetables to your plate.

Students struggle with Freshman 15

By BLYTHE A. SIMMONS
Money/Health Editor



The Associated Press

Gaining weight is an inevitable result of college life. Always surrounded by unlimited amounts of food and beer, some college students are packing on the pounds.

Students, especially women and those living in dormitories, often fall victim to the "Freshman 15," the rapid gain of 15 pounds many students experience in their freshman year.

Recent studies by Cornell University, however, show students gain an average of eight pounds — not 15 — their first year of college, but the study also cautions that even this small amount of weight-gain is indicative of an unhealthy lifestyle.

Lisa Lewis, a registered dietician at St. Joseph's-Mercy Hospital in Pontiac, spoke to The Oakland Post about how students can avoid the "Freshman 15":

■ Cut out the pre-packaged food.

"Prepared foods are more calorically dense than fresh foods," Lewis said. Students should plan their meals ahead of time, as they are more likely to grab something unhealthy to eat when they're in a hurry between classes.

■ Eat breakfast and control late-night snacking.

Be sure to eat something good at the beginning of the day to give your metabolism a kick-start. "It's better to eat most of your food at the beginning of the day when you're more active," Lewis said. The same goes for eating a snack late at night. "Make sure it's actually a snack, like a piece of fruit, and not half a pizza," she said.

■ Avoid unhealthy beverages.

Most people know that alcohol can be hazardous to a person's health, but soda is not the best alternative. "There are about 300 calories in the average pop," Lewis said. Soda pop and alcoholic drinks have empty calories, which makes it easier to gain weight.

■ Get some exercise and release your stress.

"Students tend to do a lot of sitting around," Lewis said. "Try adding 20 minutes of daily walking into your routine." Exercising daily is not only good for your body, but it's also good for your mind. "You tend to feel more relaxed when you get daily exercise," Lewis said.

New, Improved Food Pyramid

By APRIL LEAK
The Oakland Post

It's time to forget everything you knew about healthy eating. The United States Department of Agriculture has thrown out the old food pyramid and replaced it with a newer version.

According to the USDA, the pyramid "is part of an overall food guidance system that emphasizes the need for a more individualized approach to improving diet and lifestyle."

The pyramid is now displayed vertically, instead of

stacked, and each group is now associated with a specific color. The left side of the pyramid now includes a set of stairs, which symbolizes the amount of exercise students need each day.

"Many Americans can dramatically improve their overall health by making modest improvements to their diets and by incorporating regular physical activity into their



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daily lives," said Mike Johanns, United States Secretary of Agriculture.

When it comes to college students,

MyPyramid.gov offers great information on shopping for the right foods, maintaining a healthier diet and tips on eating at restaurants.

Visit the USDA's Web site, <http://www.MyPyramid.gov>, and input your age, sex and average activity level for a personalized nutrition plan and how to eat healthier.

THE SPORTS Slate



by Kelly L. Reynolds

Wild, wild card

The race for postseason baseball is on. With the season winding down and the postseason in view, many teams are fighting to keep their season going by grabbing a wild card slot.

Since the Tigers are completely out of the picture, many Detroiters have shifted their focus to out-of-town teams.

This season, the races are tight and the tensions are high. Boston and New York have been duking it out all season. Since the BoSox whopped the Yankees in last year's postseason, all eyes have been on the two East Coast teams.

The one thing the Yankees have in their favor is pitching. If the pen can get the ball to Mariano Rivera, the game is sealed. Boston's starters have been struggling and the pen has had too much slack to pick up to be efficient. Since the Yanks are only a half game behind the BoSox, the race for the postseason should be interesting. My money is on Boston.

The Yankees will still have to take Cleveland out to make the wild card spot. With Cleveland's hot streak and the Yankee's dismal season, I see no postseason glory for New York fans.

In the AL Central, the White Sox's season has been dwindling. They started off with a bang, but in their last 11 games they have been 3-8 and Cleveland, while still 2.5 games back, have been 10-1.

As of Tuesday morning, the series between Cleveland and Chicago was split 1-1. If the Indians take two of three from the ChiSox, they will only be 1.5 games out of clinching the division. Chicago needs to wake up, start being more aggressive on the bases and return to their laid back ways of earlier in the season. Without this, they have no chance in getting past the division series in the postseason.

Even the race in the disappointing AL West is heating up. I think the Angels are the most underrated team in baseball. Even with the disappointing season they have had this year, I still believe they will make it far in the postseason.

As for the National League, I just have one word: Cardinals. St. Louis sent eight men to the All-Star Game, has won 95 games, and is not within reach of anyone in the NL, or AL for that matter. The Cards will make it to the World Series, and they will give the American League team a run for their money.

The wild card in the NL should be an interesting race to watch. Philadelphia is only a game and a half behind Houston and shows no signs of losing steam. Houston is in the midst of a nine-game road series, with a lacking road record while the Phillies are facing a road trip against the best in the AL East, Atlanta. At the very least, it should be interesting.

And don't count the Florida Marlins out. They are only two games behind Houston for the wild card. With a stellar lineup and pitching to be rivaled, they could quite possibly give Houston a dance partner in the wild card chase.

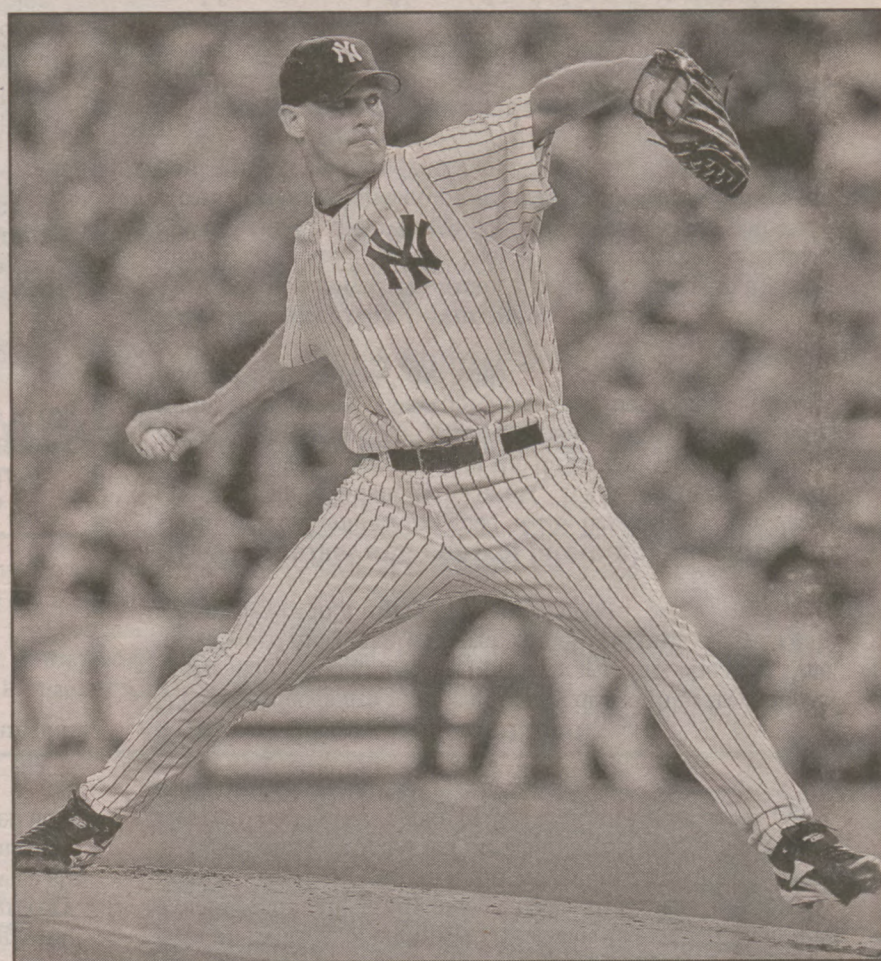
Even the Washington Nationals may make a last minute run. After starting the season with a bang, they have struggled after the All-Star break, but don't count them out just yet, they are only four games behind Houston.

Even with all of the possibilities, I have strong premonitions about the postseason outcome.

Here are my predictions: The World Series will be between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Boston Red Sox. The Indians will give Boston a run for their money, and the Cardinals will coast through the division series and championship series with no problem.

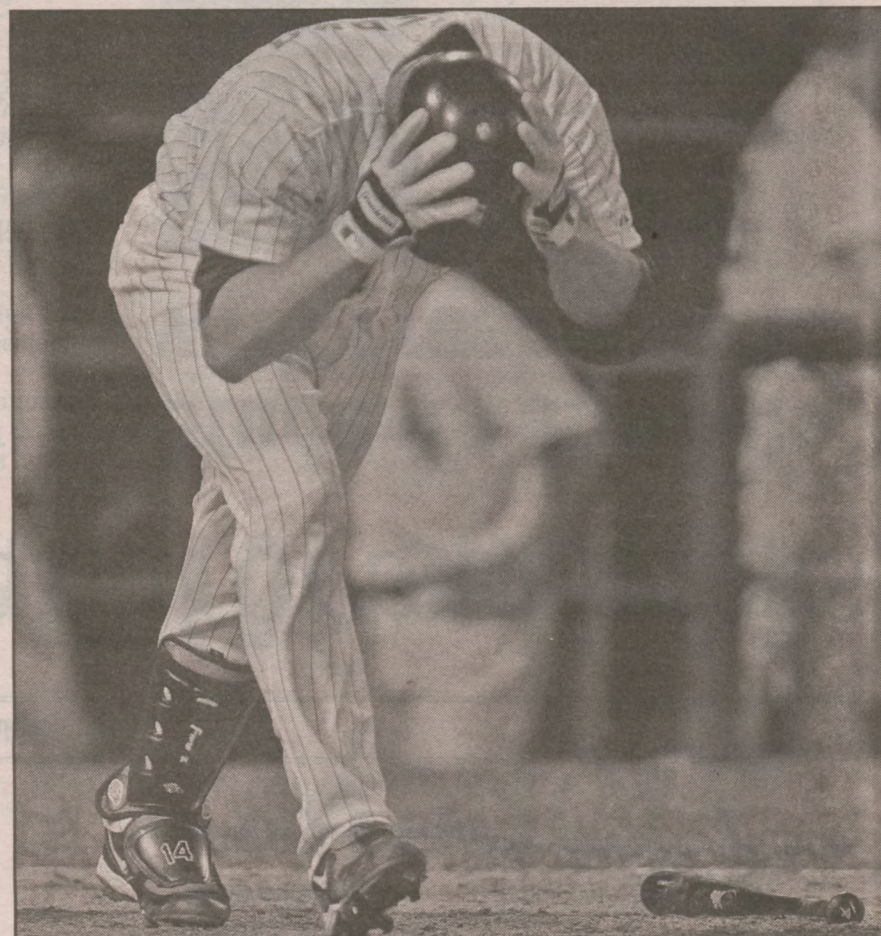
Until the postseason gears up, here are some regular season races to watch for: Boston and New York, LA Angels and Oakland, Houston and Philadelphia, and Detroit and ... oh, who are we kidding — Detroit won't be in contention for another season or two.

Note: All statistics are current as of press time.



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Above: The emergence of Aaron Small and other non-\$20 million a year players is the reason the Yankees are within striking distance of the Red Sox.

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Below: Paul Konerko and the rest of the White Sox are crumbling as the playoffs approach. The Indians are only two and a half games back in the central with a 7-5 win over the White Sox on Monday night.



Lippert stays focused despite slow start



File Photo/Bob Knoska File Photo

Senior Heather Lippert in action in a game last year. Lippert earned All Mid-Con second team honors in 2004.

By KAI HICKS
The Oakland Post

It's obvious from watching senior volleyball standout Heather Lippert play that she doesn't suffer from a lack of talent. A quick glance at her resume lends her even more credence.

The 6-foot-2 middle blocker led the team in kills and blocks last season and was named second team All Mid-Continent Conference.

Her 120 kills through 11 matches this year is a team high.

Lippert learned early in her career that raw skill would not carry her as she struggled with the mental side of athletic competition.

After graduating from Walled Lake Central High School, Lippert attended Western Michigan University where she redshirted as a freshman.

Although she had been a star in high school, her brief tenure at WMU was not easy.

"I had zero confidence," she admits. "It wasn't a good time."

After seeing action in just eight games her second year, she made the decision to transfer to Oakland University.

The transition was a smooth one, and Lippert began to flourish as her confidence was restored under head coach David Schmidlin. She also attributes her blossoming as a player to the camaraderie among her teammates.

"We're more like a close-knit family than a sports team," Lippert said. "We were eating at Arby's last weekend, and there's this freshman and sophomore who are always late to the bus."

"So Coach tried to play a practical joke on them by having us get on the bus and pretend to leave to get ice cream. When they came out, they weren't mad about possibly being left, they were mad about not getting any ice cream," she said.

The closeness of the team is one reason Lippert remains optimistic concerning the team's goals this year after a rocky 1-10 start.

"We're shooting for the conference title. That's our cheer at the end of every practice," Lippert said.

The elementary education major's personal goal is no less impressive than her resume — "I want to be the Mid-Con Player of the Year."

But don't get her wrong, she'd take the team goal before anything she sets for herself.

SPORTS SHORTS

Felker and Wiese earn conference honors

The men's soccer team's 2-1 win over Michigan helped the team take two conference awards this week. Senior Brandon Felker was named Mid-Con Offensive Player of the Week. Felker had one goal and one assist in the win over the Wolverines. Senior goalkeeper Jeff Wiese earned his seventh Mid-Con Defensive Player of the Week award. Wiese had six saves and allowed one goal in OU's victory.

Frezza wins second straight race

Senior Adam Frezza had the only time under 25 minutes at the Central Collegiate Conference Championship. Frezza's time helped him earn the event's Runner of the Year honor and propel OU to a second place finish. The Golden Grizzlies finished with 62 points. Ohio won the event with 38 points. Senior Paul Kulisek finished in 11th place overall for OU. The women's cross country team finished in third place at the event behind Toledo and Buffalo. Junior Dayna Cline took seventh place, and freshman Katie Reilly took eighth. Both cross country teams will take place in the Western Invitational hosted by Western Ontario University on Saturday in London, Ontario.

Women's soccer falls to tough competition

The women's soccer team held No. 22 Southern California scoreless in the first half, but fell 3-0 at the Loyola Marymount Tournament on Sunday. Sophomore goalkeeper Jessica Howard had four saves in the loss. In the Grizzlies first game of the tournament, they fell to host Loyola Marymount 2-0. Howard had six saves and junior Marianne Samdal had three shots, including two on goal. Senior Kristi Swaving and Samdal were named by the coaches to the all-tournament team for their efforts in the two losses. The Grizzlies (3-3-1) will host Michigan at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday at the OU Soccer Field.

Volleyball team struggles in Saint Louis

OU was unable to escape the Billiken Invitational with a victory. The Grizzlies fell to host St. Louis, 3-0 (30-17, 30-19, 30-17) on Friday. OU's offense struggled to score points and was led by senior Heather Lippert's five kills. The Grizzlies offense could not turn things around on Saturday as they fell to Washington State, 3-0 (30-16, 30-18, 30-25) and then to Middle Tennessee, 3-0 (30-19, 30-20, 30-21). Lippert led OU (1-12) with 18 kills on the day. The Grizzlies kick off the conference part of their season this weekend with a pair of road matches. First at Western Illinois on Friday and then UMKC on Saturday. The match against UMKC is the last of 16 straight road games for the Grizzlies to begin the season.

Baseball team to host Home Run Derby

OU's baseball will host a home run derby on October 9 at 11:00 a.m., followed by the annual alumni game at noon at the OU Baseball Field. There will also be a barbecue after the game. The day before the baseball program will host its annual golf outing on October 8 at the Westwynd Golf Course. The tournament will benefit OU's baseball program. Participants will get a chance to meet the team and new head coach Dylan Putnam.

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Breakthrough!



Dante Ciullo/The Oakland Post

By DUSTIN FRUCCI
Sports Editor

Not since last spring, when the men's basketball team marched to the NCAA tournament, has a team on campus drawn the energy and spirit of Oakland University sports fans as the men's soccer team did on Friday.

In front of 1,050 fans, OU defeated the University of Michigan 2-1 to get its first win of the season and its first win against Michigan since it joined Division I.

At 9:19, senior Brandon Felker took a pass from junior Brady Vance on the left side of the goal and went cross net with the shot to give OU the early 1-0 lead.

"He's (Felker) a spark plug," head coach Gary Parsons said. "He gives us a lot of energy. He's showing up and scoring goals."

Michigan had chances to tie the game before half, but the Grizzlies defense kept senior goalkeeper Jeff Wiese from facing too many shots.

In the second half, freshman Ben Gearhart took advantage of a good chip pass from Felker to score what would end up being the winning goal at the 78:46 mark.

The Gearhart goal made the Wolverines play with a sense of urgency, and 40 seconds later it paid off.

Santos Perez muscled the ball through a crowd of Grizzly defenders, and Kevin Savitskie was the benefactor.

The Savitskie goal made it 2-1 and put pressure on the OU defense.

For a little over 10 minutes, OU substituted players in and out to keep fresh legs on the field. The OU defense maintained a stronghold in their zone and kept the Wolverines from scoring, despite some chances.

Michigan outshot OU 12-9.

Wiese made six saves in net and brought his season total to 27.

In his last three outings against the Wolverines, Wiese has given up only three goals.

A minor scuffle in the final minutes broke as a result of the intensity of OU's defensive stand.

"This is in-state rivalry stuff," Parsons said. "These games are always like this."

OU continues its home stand this week when it hosts Detroit at 4 p.m. on Wednesday. Akron comes to town Sunday at noon.

Above: Freshman Ben Gearhart (9) celebrates his goal that ended up being the game winner in OU's 2-1 over the University of Michigan.

Below: A late defensive stand by OU turned up the intensity in a tight game late in the second half. Players were separated after heated exchanges between the two teams.

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