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Sub-zero temperatures arrive with new semester

By BOB MC MURRAY
Staff Writer

The coldest weather this winter put the university to its first test of the new semester.

Temperatures last week averaged 15 to 20 degrees lower than the normal 31 degrees for this time of year, according to the National Weather Service in Detroit.

Last Monday was the warmest with a midday high of 29 degrees. Temperatures dropped to a low of 3 below by Tuesday.

Calls to Public Safety for assistance with stalled cars greatly increased with the inclement weather, said Richard Leonard, director of Public Safety.

"We've had about 18 calls a day for the past few days," said Leonard. The past three months Public Safety received about five calls daily.

Leonard said it is better to call for assistance than risk injury during severe weather.

Temperatures in the residence halls were easier to cope with. West Vandenberg Hall resident Jim Westrick had no complaints. "As for the heat, the building may be a bit too warm. The cold weather has made it comfortable. Last semester there were a lot of comments about the building being warm," he said.

Westrick said he keeps the vent on his room radiator closed to regulate the heat.

"I walk to class a bit faster," he said, "and I'm glad I don't have any classes in Varner (Hall)."

Frank Draveski, director of plant operations at campus facilities, said the heating system has been adjusted for the cold weather. "Right now we're running our large boiler, nothing unusual though. With four boilers, we've got plenty of capacity," he said.

Working outside wasn't easy, but carpenter Harless Donelow, who is working on the library construction, said he doesn't mind the cold.

"It's mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter," he said.

Workers may take a break more often in

cold weather, depending on the type of work they are doing, Donelow said.

He said there was no need to wear bulky clothes if dressed in several comfortable layers.

Carol Linington, health service coordinator at Graham Health Center, said there was one person who had an allergic reaction to the severe cold. No cases of frostbite were reported.

"We've had the normal number of people coming in with colds and sore throats," said Linington.

The Weather Service is expecting milder weather this week. Today's high is expected to be near 20 degrees, with a low of 10. Tuesday will be warmer with a high near 30.



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Asia Russell Jr. battles the cold on campus last week covered up.

Student adjusts to new heart

By WENDY WENDLAND
Editor in chief

Four months ago 21-year-old Matt McMahon, a business major and Van Wagoner resident, started having chest pains.

He knew he had heart problems.

Two years earlier he discovered he had an irregular heartbeat, with one in every 12 beats off.

He had a hereditary muscle problem. "Some muscle fibers are messed up but none of the doctors said muscle problems caused my heart problem," he said.

McMahon said two years before he was born a 15-year-old brother died and heart failure was suspected.

BUT FOUR MONTHS AGO all of this should have been behind him. He was on medication that was supposed to take care of everything, including chest pains.

In September he went to Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. He was in and out for most of the month trying to juggle classes with everything else.

By October he dropped out of school and spent nearly the whole month in the hospital undergoing tests.

The test results showed he had congestive heart failure. He was told he needed a heart transplant.

"It's strange (when I was told I needed a heart transplant)... it was just like something else was going to be done medically — big deal... I really wasn't worried," said McMahon, a Royal Oak resident.

In October the former Area Hall Council member's name was put on the state list of people needing a new heart. He was fifth on the list.

MC MAHON SAID he was given a beeper and told to carry it with him at all times. When a heart was located, the hospital would call him at home, and if he wasn't there he'd be beeped.

It was Sunday evening, Nov. 2, one week after being put on the list, that McMahon received his call.

"They told me they had found a potential donor and to stay where I was," said McMahon of the conversation.

The heart was in Saginaw. One hour after his initial call he was called back and told to come to the hospital.

"It seemed like I had to wait an incredibly long time (in the hospital)," he said. "I remember them giving me a shot, and I fell asleep... I woke up a day and a half later with four IVs in me and wires all over the walls."

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The Oakland Post / Eric Kurtzy

An Auburn Hills firefighter works to put out the blaze at the Kresge Library construction site Jan. 7. There were no injuries in the fire, which started when construction workers used straw instead of a propane tank in thawing the frozen equipment tracks, according to one worker.

Fire behind library destroys construction equipment

By FLORI ROSENBERG
Features Editor

Improper procedure in a fire meant to thaw equipment tracks on the construction site behind Kresge Library last Thursday resulted in the destruction of a backhoe, a machine used to dig trenches and lay pipes.

No one was injured in the fire, which started at 1:20 p.m. and

lasted 30 minutes, according to Public Safety.

Auburn Hills Fire Department responded to the call with one truck.

ABOUT 100 PEOPLE were evacuated from the library as a precaution, according to Janice Norton, library technician.

Robert Haskin, one of the workers at the site, said the 1979

backhoe was totalled. It is worth \$150,000 new.

Haskin said although frozen equipment tracks are a common construction problem in cold weather, a 20-pound propane tank is normally used to thaw the ground. The workers did not have a tank, he said.

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MEA president lives education around the clock

Government needs to redo priorities, trustee says

Editor's note: This is the seventh in a series of articles profiling the university's eight board of trustees members.

By CATHERINE KAZA
News Editor

Unlike other board members, Larry Chunovich has had a direct link with higher education for more than 20 years.

The president of the Michigan Education Association since 1983, he said he works 14 to 16 hour days six or seven days a week. Several of them are spent traveling to other schools across the state, visiting faculty and administration.

Chunovich estimates that he has personally met 60,000 of MEA's 103,000 members.

CHUNOVICH, 45, became a trustee last year. Born in Detroit, he attended Central Michigan and Wayne State Universities.

After becoming MEA president, Chunovich took a leave of absence from Southfield Schools, where he was a math teacher for 19 years.

MEA represents classroom teachers and school employees at 19 community colleges and 6 four-year institutions. These include Central Michigan University, Saginaw Valley State University, Lake Superior State University, the University of Detroit, Ferris State University and the administrative professionals at Michigan State University.

The American Association of University Professors represents Oakland.

MEA IS BOTH a union and professional association. The group recently celebrated its 135th anniversary, although it was not until 1965 that MEA became a union, according to Chunovich. "Sometimes it is a

fine line" between being a union and professional association, he said.

Since becoming MEA's president, Chunovich has worked to strengthen the organization's communication and political involvement. It is important MEA become more politically involved, he said.

He has added political action committee staff to lobby for MEA. "Now that you've got something to hold your feet to the fire," local people can be more effective, he said.

WITHOUT MORE MONEY from the government, though, lobbying won't be enough. The government has to "redo priorities," Chunovich said.

The mission of the Reagan administration has been to "dismantle the department of education," according to Chunovich. While defense spending has increased dramatically,



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Board member Larry Chunovich has been the president of the Michigan Education Association since 1983.

money for education has diminished during Reagan's tenure, he said. "We feel an attack on education."

Chunovich called Bennett's recent "back-to-basics" proposal for high schoolers an "elitist pro-

gram."

THE PROPOSAL requirements include four years of literature; three years of social studies, math and science and two years of a foreign language.

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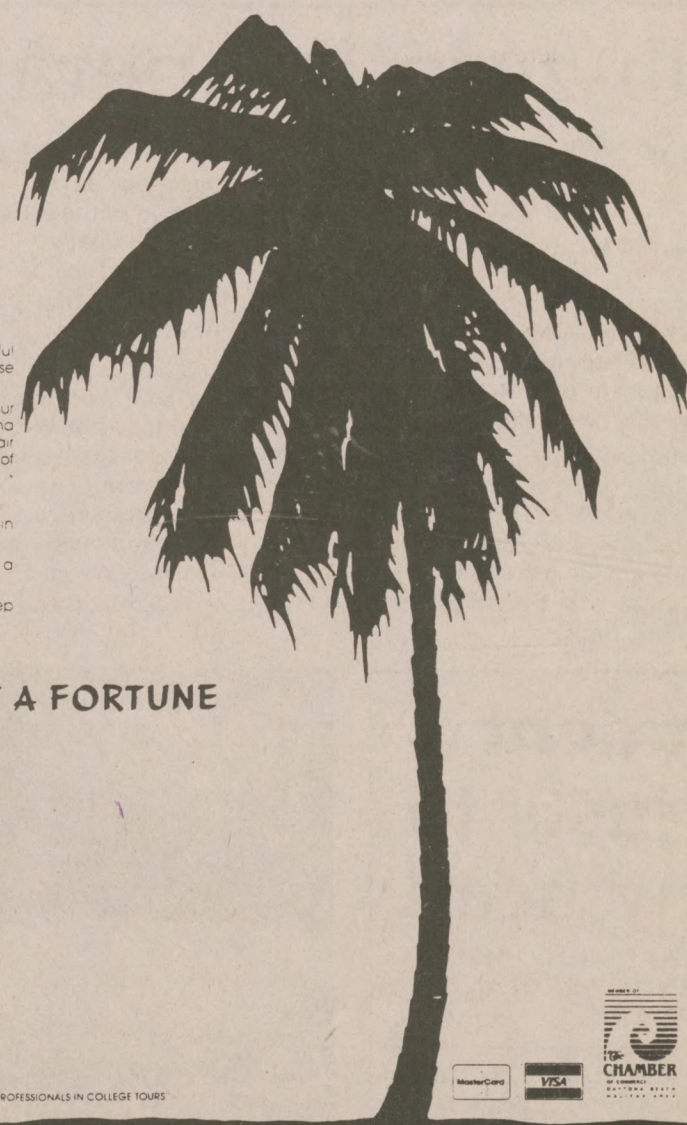
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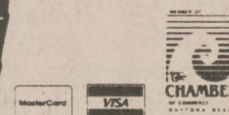
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NEWS BRIEFS

Illegal sledders caught by police

A man broke his leg while sledding on the hill southeast of the Lepley Sports Center Jan. 5 about 8 p.m.

According to Public Safety, the man and some friends admitted they had been drinking before the incident. The injured man had hit the fence and jammed his knee under it. He was transported to Troy Beaumont Hospital.

The sign prohibiting sledding was missing, according to Public Safety officers. There is no fence or barrier preventing sledding. It is a violation of university ordinance to sled on campus, according to Chief Richard Leonard.

Board meets

The university's board of trustees meet Wednesday, Jan. 13, for the first time this year. The meeting is at 5 p.m. in Lounge II, upper level of the Oakland Center.

Hamlin has false fire alarm

A false fire alarm in Hamlin Hall at 3:18 a.m. on Jan. 6 caused the evacuation of all residents from the building.

The alarm on the third floor had been pulled, but no smoke or fire was found. The Auburn Hills Fire Department arrived and cleared the scene after finding it was a false alarm.

13th student tries suicide

The 13th suicide attempt since last summer occurred before Christmas break Dec. 9, by a female resident of Van Wagoner. The student's friends said she had taken pills, and left a suicide note. She was transported to Crittenton Hospital for treatment.

Safety, health directors selected

Richard Moore, associate director of campus facilities, and Kate Lark, administrative assistant in risk management, were appointed directors of safety and health before Christmas break.

According to a memo issued by Robert McGarry, vice president for finance and administration, the two will be responsible for coordinating campus efforts in safety and environmental health, working with the university's Safety committee.

Police report information compiled by Jennifer Byrne.

Fire

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INSTEAD, SEVERAL construction workers for the library addition used straw to set a contained fire on the frozen ground, according to Haskin, one of the workers who set the fire. The fire spread to some diesel fuel and oil which had leaked from the backhoe.

Haskin said wires within the engine compartment were soaked with the leaked oil.

When the fire reached the engine

tensified and covered the entire machine, Haskin said.

MOST PEOPLE remained calm during the evacuation, according to Richard Pettengill, assistant library professor.

When the fire alarm first went off, "I didn't know for sure what was going on out there," he said.

"There certainly was no panic," he added.

Haskin said in the future, workers have been instructed not to use fire to thaw equipment tracks.

Construction on the library addition began Dec. 9.

Heart

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McMahon spent five days in total isolation at the hospital before moving to semi-isolation for 19 days.

BY THE END of his 24-day hospital stay McMahon was walking around the hospital and riding an exercise bicycle for 20-minute periods.

According to Sue Bose, registered nurse and transplant coordinator at Henry Ford Hospital, McMahon is the second youngest heart transplant patient there. The youngest patient is Kathy Mussili, 18, who also attended Oakland University in the fall of 1987 before dropping out because of her heart problem.

BOSE SAID the average age of a heart transplant patient at Henry Ford is 43 years. In 1987 the hospital completed 27 heart transplants. In the two and a half years they've been performing the operation, 62 people have gone through it.

Bose said the national one year survival rate of a heart transplant patient is 83 percent. The one year statistic at Henry Ford is 90 percent, according to Bose.

The five-year national survival rate is 65 to 70 percent, she said.

Henry Ford doesn't have five-year statistics since their program hasn't been in place that long.

Bose said the major problem with heart surgery is getting an organ.

"Organ donations are the bottom line," said Bose. "We couldn't have done it for Matt or Kathy without two very nice families giving permission to donate the organs of their loved ones."



Matt McMahon

TODAY, TWO MONTHS after surgery, McMahon says he's doing fine but is under regular review. He goes to a clinic every Friday, followed by a support group meeting. At the clinic he gets his blood pressure

taken, and has heart biopsies.

He's also on seven types of medication, many which have side effects. McMahon said one of the medications dilates his blood vessels so blood can easily flow through them, but a side effect is that severe cold or heat bother him.

McMahon is also on a steroid which he says causes increased hair growth, a change in appetite and a rash from time to time on his face and back. One drug, cyclosporine, causes his nose to constantly run. He said it causes memory loss for some people.

McMahon has to monitor his diet and eat healthy foods.

"Your taste buds change after a while," he said. "After spending over 40 days eating from a low salt diet... (any more than) three or four potato chips is too salty. Same with pizza."

MC MAHON CAN STILL have an occasional drink, and he can eat some fast food. But he says he usually doesn't indulge because that type of food doesn't taste good anymore.

Now slender, he has lost 30 pounds since the surgery.

McMahon said he'll soon be starting physical therapy three times a week at the hospital. He's also planning on taking one class at Oakland Community College.

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THE PROBLEM IS statewide, according to Copenhagen. Unfortunately, "not everyone in responsibility in the state sees it that way," he said.

Before Oakland, Copenhagen served at Western Washington University, where the funding position was similar to Oakland's. "I have been a long time where problems are not enough (money)."

While lack of adequate funding is not the only reason for his leaving, it would "be absurd to say the funding difference (between Oakland and Riverside)—that it doesn't make a difference," Copenhagen said.

Dean

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He said one regret he had was that the university "never had major success with major sources for federal support of the humanities."

Most agreed that funding for the college is a continued concern, as it is for the entire university. "Funding for the college is always a problem," said Ronald Sudol, associate professor of rhetoric.

LAURIE OSBORNE, assistant English professor, said that the new dean should "ask that (the) library get more for humanities."

Brooks said that he is "apprehensive that arts and sciences will be eroded" with continued involvement with the Oakland Technology Park.

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THE MAIN REASON for different funding levels between humanities and sciences is that it is "simply more expensive to do sciences than humanities," said Copenhagen.

"Anyone that thinks humanities comes in second at Oakland is wrong."

The college's "greatest needs are the same as that of the university," said Copenhagen. There isn't enough money "to do the kind of

work the university is capable of. Excellent teaching and research is expensive."

Chunovich

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"He's been bad news for education," Chunovich said of Bennett.

MEA does not support a system that "makes robots," Chunovich said.

He said that although Japan is looked at as an ideal, "what works there is not going to work here...they're going to beat us at the game...because they don't care about the individual."

HOWEVER, MEA does support a core curriculum. "No matter where you live, kids suffer when we don't have any standards at all," he said, adding that everyone should have the same educational opportunities.

One thing that is different in the United States than other countries in education is how faculty are viewed. "Faculty are demoralized...not held in the same esteem," Chunovich said.

"Our society ought to be ashamed of the way they've treated professional educators."

MANY PEOPLE are leaving the profession because of job stress, Chunovich said. "We're affecting lives, not widgets," he said.

One of the first steps in changing the way teachers are viewed should be to "fire school boards," he said.

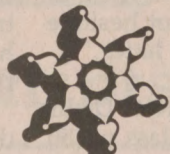
"We have to empower teachers, make (them) part of the decision-making process," Chunovich said. "Doors have to be kicked open...rather than letting bureaucrats observe, who are isolated."

ANOTHER CONCERN of Chunovich's is the cost of going to college. "Higher education is pricing itself out of the reach of many young people," he said.

Serving as MEA president since 1983 "has been a tough one...school reform movements have been a constant challenge," Chunovich said.

When his fourth two-year term as president expires in 1991, Chunovich said he would probably go back to Southfield. The adjustment may be hard. "I love teaching, but it's going to be tough," he said.

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OAKLAND UNIVERSITY deserves praise for the steps it has recently taken to make the campus more accessible to the handicapped. Last year the steps on the north side of North Foundation Hall were replaced with a ramp, and during Christmas break automatic door openers were installed in two buildings. Administrators say more automatic doors may be added, and the bathrooms in North and South Foundation may be renovated for the handicapped as well.

The door openers operate similar to garage door openers. Majorie Colburn, director of special advising says they are for people in wheelchairs or for people suffering from temporary difficulties. The university has approximately 12 transmitters. The transmitters save people in wheelchairs from having to pull two heavy doors open each time they want to enter a building.

Richard Moore, associate director of campus facilities and operations, says if the automatic doors work out, more could be added. So far they've only been installed in two buildings. Two are in North Foundation Hall (north and south entrances) and one is in the Oakland Center (west entrance).

Some may feel the percentage of people who will be using the automatic doors (there currently are only 12 transmitters so the number can't be much higher than this) is not worth the \$4,684 cost. The money does only cover two buildings, and true the cost of adding automatic doors to every building would be substantial.

HOWEVER, the Post feels the price is worth it. The doors on most of this campus are not easy to operate. Imagine having to stop, open two sets of doors while sitting in a chair with people scrambling about you. Being able to push a button and keep going would make life much simpler, especially in cold or rainy weather.

As Colburn points out, it's often difficult for handicapped people to open the door since they often don't have the upper body strength. It might not be a big deal to wait for a someone to come along and open the door if it's a nice day and you don't have anywhere to be, but if it's cold out or if you're in a hurry, it would be more than a slight inconvenience.

The automatic doors make life easier for the handicapped, and they do so without interfering with others. The doors can still be operated as normal. A small box that hangs from the ceiling, is the only visible indication that the door is automatic.

The Post believes adding the automatic doors was a positive step the university should follow up on. Don't let campus accessibility end here. We hope administrators will add more automatic doors, especially to Lepley Sports Center and Kresge library, until every building on campus has one.

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BAM educational, time to study races

Education: Foundation for the Future. The 1988 Black Awareness Month theme is calling all of us, black and white, to examine the present state of our nation's education system. What's more it is providing us with an excellent opportunity to work together, to brainstorm, to really search for some solutions to today's educational problems in order to create a better tomorrow. While Black Awareness Month is a time to remember and take pride in our individual race's achievements it is also a time to reach out, to step outside of our day to day groups, and to try to understand and appreciate other cultures and races.

It's interesting that this year's theme is education because my experience in serving as a first-time member of the Black Awareness Month Committee has been an education in itself, a real eye opener. Originally I joined the committee to fulfill one of my duties as

VIEWPOINT



Melinda Alessi

Melinda Alessi is a junior who's on the 1988 Black Awareness Month Committee.

the Student Program Board Chair. As the committee met, programs emerged and conversation flowed. SPB was represented but personally, I grew and learned.

It's often difficult for some of us to understand why there is a Black Awareness Month. Misconceptions about the month and its need lie in the minds of many. I will not pretend that I can clear up all misconceptions nor will I attempt to convince the entire Oakland University community of the need for such a celebration. I cannot. The month means different things to different people. Personally, I have come to understand that one reason the month exists is to celebrate the many achievements of black individuals. More importantly, I recognize that the process of understanding anything complex takes time and effort.

Even if you or I do not fully understand, I see February and every month as an invitation to explore our differences and cite our similarities in an effort to better know ourselves and each other. Ask each other questions but do so rationally and only if you truly

desire an answer. In return, be prepared and open to answering questions honestly and rationally. We are our own best resources. Furthermore, realize that the committee isn't dwelling on past wrong-doings, but is celebrating accomplishments and is excited about increasing interaction for a strong bright future.

Finally, if you do nothing else but try to think of the other race in a slightly different way as to better understand, you have done something...made a contribution to the success of the month. After all, in my mind the month is not just concerned with being black, but more importantly, being aware.

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Letters to the Editor

World not full of 'sunshine, roses,' paper must give facts

Dear Editor,

This is in response to the editorial "Oakland Post is Not a PR Tool." When is the administration of Oakland University going to learn that a free press means just exactly what it says, a free press?

I find it ironic that in a year in which our country is celebrating the 200th anniversary of its Constitution that I open The Oakland Post to discover an editorial calling for, yet again, what our founding fathers guaranteed so long ago.

Two years ago when I was a staff writer on the then Oakland Sail, the editors ran a similar editorial after the paper was criticized by several on-campus groups and key administrative personnel for printing "bad" news.

Unfortunately the world isn't filled with sunshine and roses, but it would seem that is what OU's administration would like its students to believe. Report only the good and ignore the rest.

I believe that is what the university's publications department is for, not its journalism program. And while the publications department is an important source of information for the campus, so is the student-run newspaper, but their two roles should not be confused.

If the administration had its way the journalism program's students would not be able to practice what the department preaches: a free press.

Free of censorship, free of governmental, or in this case, administrative control, and free of the fear of reprisals should be how newspapers print the events that happen, regardless of whether it is good or bad.

Maybe a refresher course in American history would help the administration to remember what Thomas Jefferson once said: "Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers or newspapers without government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."

Kim Diehr
Class of '86

'Post' headlines on food service articles poor, misleading

Dear Editor,

While I am mostly impressed with the new format of The Oakland Post I do take issue with whomever writes the headlines for various articles. In each of the last two weeks' (Nov. 23 and 30) editions an article concerning food service appeared and in both instances the headline did not accurately represent the content of the article.

In the November 30 edition on page 3 the headline read "The Wild Pizza loses on-campus taste test." While the article was clearly a description of the contest, no where did it mention that The Wild Pizza was second and that the winner was the only "deep dish" pizza entered. Please don't think of my critique as sour grapes, although

proud of Wild Pizza, we understand that taste is a very personal and subjective topic.

The November 23 edition took even greater liberties with article content. The front page teaser declared "Cafeteria doesn't cook healthy dishes, says students don't want" and the page 5 headline stated "Residence halls cafeteria offers few healthy options." If one read the well written article thoroughly, it would be clear that the two titles didn't accurately portray the content. A more accurate headline would be "Students prefer less healthy foods."

I take no issue with the paper's desire to provoke readers to read its features, but the headlines should accurately represent the message.

Carl F. Bender
Saga Food Service Director

Commencements for class '88 should occur on same day

Dear Editor,

I am very annoyed by the fact that commencement ceremonies for the graduating class of 1988 will be divided up into separate ceremonies for each individual school within the university. Administration says that the reasoning behind this new way is that it is more personal for each individual student, because by the time a student gets into his junior and senior years, most of his friends are people in his major. I don't know about you, but I call this seclusion! Maybe my friends

and I are the only ones, but we have many friends, both within and OUTSIDE of our majors.

The factor of space at the Meadowbrook Pavilion was also brought up. I've been to a couple of ceremonies in the past, and also many jazz concerts over the past two summers, and there has never seemed to be any problems with space. Many of those concerts were filled to capacity and beyond, and there was never any lack of space.

Part of the joy and excitement of graduation is sharing that special day with friends and family. If we are separated, a lot of that excitement will be lost. I don't know about anyone else, but my friends and I want to graduate together, at the same time, and at the same place.

Sincerely yours,
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By DAWN SCHAFFER
Staff Writer

Although most students and faculty said they found the holiday break 'too short,' many managed to take advantage of the time they had.

Graduate student Li Le Dong came to the United States six months ago. He spent Christmas day with a volunteer organized through the St. John Fisher Chapel. Li found the American Christmas trees decorated "beautifully." His roommate bought a small tabletop tree. Commenting on Christmas dinner, "Turkey is new to us; we do not have it in China."

Assistant Professor of Nursing, Dr. Frances Jackson, received the "best Christmas gift ever" when she defended her dissertation and completed her doctorate degree.

David Gurjack, graduate student, spent the holidays away from home. "I enjoyed the beautiful Grand Canyon state of Arizona, golfing and sight seeing in the sunshine."

Travelling was eventful for mathematics professor Arthur Hobbs. When flying to Texas to visit his family, his plane had a turbulence problem when landing. He "survived" and enjoyed his sight-seeing. The trip included a visit to *The Elissa*, a reconstructed Greek ship.

Astrid Jorgens, a West German student, went South to Florida for the holidays. Commenting on American 'Christmas' she said, "Christmas shopping is so much more commercial here than it is found in Germany."

Rick Wu "used the holiday season for socializing." Margie Komer said her family ate Jewish foods such as bagels and lox, but opened presents on Christmas. For dinner, her family had "brisket—it's like rump roast. It tastes bad but you get used to it."



Courtesy of Meadow Brook Theatre
David Regal and Cynthia Darlow perform the leading roles of the English professor and the culture-starved hairdresser in *Educating Rita*.

Performances in play provide class

By DOC ROSS
Staff Writer

The scene is enough to make any professor green with envy.

Imagine an office the size of the Meadow Brook Theatre stage piled to the ceiling with books. A fireplace glows in one corner, a gothic tower is silhouetted outside the window in the other. A pint of cheap Scotch lurks behind every book.

This idyllic office belongs to Frank. He's Rita's tutor.

Educating Rita is the story of one woman's quest for a better life.

The role of Rita is demanding for any actress. It is a tour-de-force for Cynthia Darlow.

It must be fun to play Rita. From a sassy, sloppy hair-dresser with the gift of gab, she is transferred into an educated, well-dressed, middle-class woman ready to embark on a new life.

Rita loses her innocence and ignorance as she becomes the woman she knows is inside her. She also leaves behind the drudgery of the working-class life she has come to despise.

But no matter how much she

knocks the wind out of the middle-class conception of the romantic life of the working-classes, and no matter how much happier she appears at the end of the play, one feels, as Frank, that something valuable has been lost.

We know she hasn't really improved herself. She's merely exchanged one set of problems for another.

Unable at first to tell the difference between trash and literature, she eventually learns the rules necessary to pass her exams and to discuss "things that matter" at length.

The honesty and genuine emotion of the one sentence essays she writes early in the play are clever and confident, and one laments their loss and Rita's newly acquired skills.

Frank is sorry, too. He has created a monster.

This feeling of loss is re-enforced in the overall dynamics of the production. The moment Rita enters Frank's office, the brash, petite, red-head takes charge.

She wriggles clumsily back and forth across the stage in bright red

See RITA page 6

New Years holiday ties memories, hopes together

Students, faculty recall trends on campus from the past year

By ALISSA NASS
Staff Writer

Bobby socks, poodle skirts and crewcuts during the late '50s were what bell bottom pants and long hair were to the late '60s, the passing fashion of the time.

People at Oakland have watched a number of trends appear in 1987.

Diane Godziszewski, junior, noted "bomber jackets and acid washed jeans," as a clothing trend on campus.

The brown leather bomber jackets were mentioned by the majority of students questioned. The jackets, they said, are still gaining popularity.

"Big watches, big earrings and

dull colors," were noted by freshman Doreen Wessel.

Senior Anne Holbrook mentioned lower healed shoes, longer coats, and wearing a different earring in each ear. Mini-skirts and shoes with no socks were added to the list by senior Michelle Mark.

Other items were boots, fringe, college sweatshirts, rolled up jeans,

shoulder pads and ear muffs.

For music, U2 and INXS were mentioned as popular groups.

"A lot of funky sounds" came out last year, said Matt Arbeiter, sophomore. "I think at the bars everyone's getting sick of the heavy metal."

As far as trends in hairstyles went, Dianna Jaroslowski, owner of

Hair Unlimited in the Oakland Center, said the salon used a lot of liquid tools, such as mousse and hair spray to mold and sculpt hair.

Women were "going for a more natural, full look. Shorter, a little bit spikey, for men," she said.

Trends have also been found in attitudes.

A different pattern in student awareness was noted by Sharon Howell, assistant professor of Communications.

"I have had more students in basic speech classes talking about political affairs and environmental issues than I have in the past five years," she said.

Holiday resolutions continue to gain originality, creativity

By FLORI ROSENBERG
Features Editor

While some people continue to make New Year's Resolutions each holiday, others fail to see value in them.

On Oakland's campus, faithful dieting and better study habits were popular vows among students.

One student, however, Sam Messina, detoured from the traditional resolutions by promising "to gain 10 pounds and quit swear-

ing."

Another student, Jennifer Marlow, resolved "not to form any permanent attachments. I have a lot of homework to do this year," the senior explained.

Theodora Pora, secretary for the

Student Congress Office, said she hopes to "make it through the year sane."

"Finding a job" is the resolution of former Student Congress President Keith Faber.

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Recognition of frostbite, hypothermia symptoms crucial

The risk of cold injuries is especially pronounced when winter temperatures fall and wind factors may act to speed convective heat loss from the body.

"Water-chill" is a much less common but more potent heat loss agent. You can safely enjoy winter activities and minimize harmful effects of cold exposure when you know how to recognize and manage causative factors, symptoms of injury, and prevent potential problems.

Hypothermia is defined as a deep "core" body temperature of less than 95 degrees Fahrenheit. Although it has other causes, hypothermia is typically a result of increased heat loss due to environmental factors.

In mild cases where core temperature is above 90 degrees, the body tries to compensate: blood vessels near the skin constrict, shunting blood to vital internal organs; skeletal muscles shiver to increase heat production, and basal metabolism will increase.

If cold exposure continues without intervention, compensatory mechanisms fail, and a progressive process ensues leading to possible irreversible tissue damage and even death.

It is important to note the impact of alcohol on susceptibility to development of cold injury.

Not only does it impair alertness and judgement, alcohol decreases the body's ability to protectively constrict the peripheral blood flow and conserve heat.

Depending on the degrees of hypothermia, you may observe a number of symptoms. In mild cases, shivering, fatigue or apathy, poor coordination, muscle stiffness, decreased pulse and respiratory rate, constriction of



Dr. Pat
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the pupils, and cold, pale skin may occur.

In more serious cases, the victim may become markedly confused or lose consciousness, muscles may become rigid, and reflexes may be lost.

If you suspect any impairment from cold exposure, move the victim to a warm place. Remove any wet clothing and cover with dry blankets. If alert, give warm fluids to drink.

A victim with any change in the level of consciousness should have prompt medical evaluation. The use of hot packs or baths to rewarm the body in cases of suspected hypothermia is best managed in a controlled medical setting to minimize the risk of complications.

In cases of extreme cold and exposure, actual freezing of the body tissue can occur, a condition known as frostbite. It is frequently associated with hypothermia. Body parts most susceptible are those distant from the "core" or central circulation, and include ears, nose, hands, fingers, feet and toes.

Frostbite may generally be

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classified as superficial or deep. With superficial frostbite, the skin usually appears pale and waxy with some loss of sensation, numbness, and/or tingling. The surface may appear frozen, but underlying tissue retains resilience. As the affected part is rewarmed, the victim usually experiences increasingly severe pain, a burning sensation, and skin redness.

Alternatively, the skin may appear bluish or mottled and swelling may develop. Fluid-filled blisters may form within 6-24 hours after rewarming.

Deep frostbite results in a frozen appearance with icy hard consistency having no pliability. Sensation is lost in the affected part.

Predisposing factors include the amount of exposed tissue, length of exposure, wind/water chill factors, race (blacks are susceptible), and acclimatization (sudden and dramatic change in the environmental temperature increases risk, as opposed to gradual or more progressive exposure to a cold environment). Prior cold injury seems to sen-

sitize the area to subsequent injury. Defects in peripheral circulation, drugs (including alcohol and nicotine) and general health/nutritional status are also implicated.

If you suspect frostbite injury, handle the affected part gently—do not rub or massage the area. Rewarming is essential, but if the tissue is likely to refreeze before therapy is completed, more tissue damage is likely to result. Therefore, rapid rewarming should be initiated and maintained by immersing the part in warm water (100 - 110 degrees).

Dry radiant heat should not be used. It is more difficult to control, and the frozen part is relatively insensitive to it, increasing risk of further tissue damage.

After rewarming, the part should be allowed to air dry, avoiding the mechanical trauma of rubbing. If blisters are present, allow them to remain intact. Protect the part from injury and contamination. It may be helpful to elevate the area, and encourage gentle movement during the rewarming process.

In this type of situation, once again the best treatment is prevention. Avoid prolonged exposure to cold temperatures, especially if you have any predisposing conditions. If you go out, wear adequate protective clothing and stay dry. Several layers of clothing generally provide better protection, and remember to cover hands, feet and head; approximately 30 percent of body heat is lost through the head area alone.

Seek prompt medical attention for any suspected cold injury that does not respond rapidly and completely to simple, basic measures.



The Oakland Post/ Eric Kurtzy
This automatic doors (this one is on the west entrance of the Oakland Center) work with remote control devices like garage door openers.

Automatic doors provide options to disabled people

By NICK CHIAPPETTA
Staff Writer

Wheelchair bound students won't have to fight the doors in North Foundation Hall and the Oakland Center since automatic doors were installed last Monday.

The doors were installed at three entrances, two doors on the south side of North Foundation and one at the west entrance of the Oakland Center. They were installed by Stanley Magic Door, of Birmingham.

Doors for the two buildings cost \$4,684 according to Richard Moore, associate director of Campus Facilities and Operations.

Moore also said that if the doors work out, he will ask for more money from the university to install the devices at other entrances.

The automatic door resembles a garage door-opener. Pressing a button on a hand held remote control sends a signal to a small black receiver above the door. This automatically opens both doors of the vestibule. The doors remain open for approximately two to three minutes.

The previous doors were "very

awkward to push open" for people in wheelchairs, said Majorie Colburn, director of Special Advising.

However, just after the devices were installed, the outside doors of the vestibules would not open automatically. A repairman told Colburn that a safety mechanism had been triggered, shutting off the doors. The doors were reset by pushing a button on the receiver.

The doors can also be used manually by people without a disability. According to Colburn, "90 percent of the people on campus won't even know they are there."

About 10 or 12 students will be using the doors, Colburn said. Temporarily disabled people will also be able to use the doors.

"This is a very positive step on the part of the university in increasing accessibility on campus," Colburn said.

Oakland County Community College has 14 of the devices in use on various campuses. Sooren Gormanian, director of Physical Facilities, said the first doors were installed about a year ago and he has had "no complaints...they are working fine."

Frenzied acting style works well in new comic movie

By CLAUDETTE ZOLKOWSKI
Staff Writer

The Couch Trip is a conservative definition of a madcap comedy. Between the affairs between characters and identity switches it is nearly impossible to determine who will discover what next.

Dr. George Maitlin (Charles Grodin) is a popular radio sex therapist who needs "space." Dr. Lawrence Baird (David Clennon) is the choice for his temporary replacement.

Baird runs a prison mental facility and John Burns (Dan Aykroyd) is his patient, who is putting his time in there rather than Joliet Prison for computer hacking.

Burns happens to be at the right place (Baird's office) at the right time (when Baird isn't), and receives Baird's job offer, a perfect incentive for escape.

As Baird, Burns introduces a new side to sex therapy.

To one phone-in-patient with the problem of premature ejaculation, Burn's advice is to think about fixing the transmission of a car during sex to avoid arousal.

On the radio talk show he invites

all the listeners who cannot afford professional help to go to Maitlin's office the following day so he can take care of them, free of charge.

Naturally, thousands show up. On an impulse, Burns orders busses to take the patients to a baseball game. Nymphomaniacs were directed to the lead bus with him. All those with sexual dysfunctions, such as penis envy, premature or no ejaculation were sent to another. Schizophrenics went on still another, and so on.

The Couch Trip succeeds in being funny as a comedy should. It is, however, similar to the movie *Down and Out in Beverly Hills* where the rich, famous and "knowledgeable" fall all over themselves waiting for words of wisdom from the latest fashionable guru.

For example, while posing as Baird at a banquet, Burns explains why therapy takes so long. "There's nothing that can be done in a short time that can't be done just as well in a long time."

His audience smiles, nods and applauds this wisdom enthusiastically.

While at a psychiatric convention in London Dr. Maitlin and the real

Dr. Baird meet, converse and discover an imposter is taking Maitlin's place on the radio. A humorous wild goose chase follows this discovery.

The two ditzy female parts were played well by *Saturday Night Live* actresses Mary Gross as Dr. Maitlin's wife and Victoria Jackson as Robin, the real Dr. Bairds secretary.

Maitlin's wife is having an affair with her husband's lawyer.

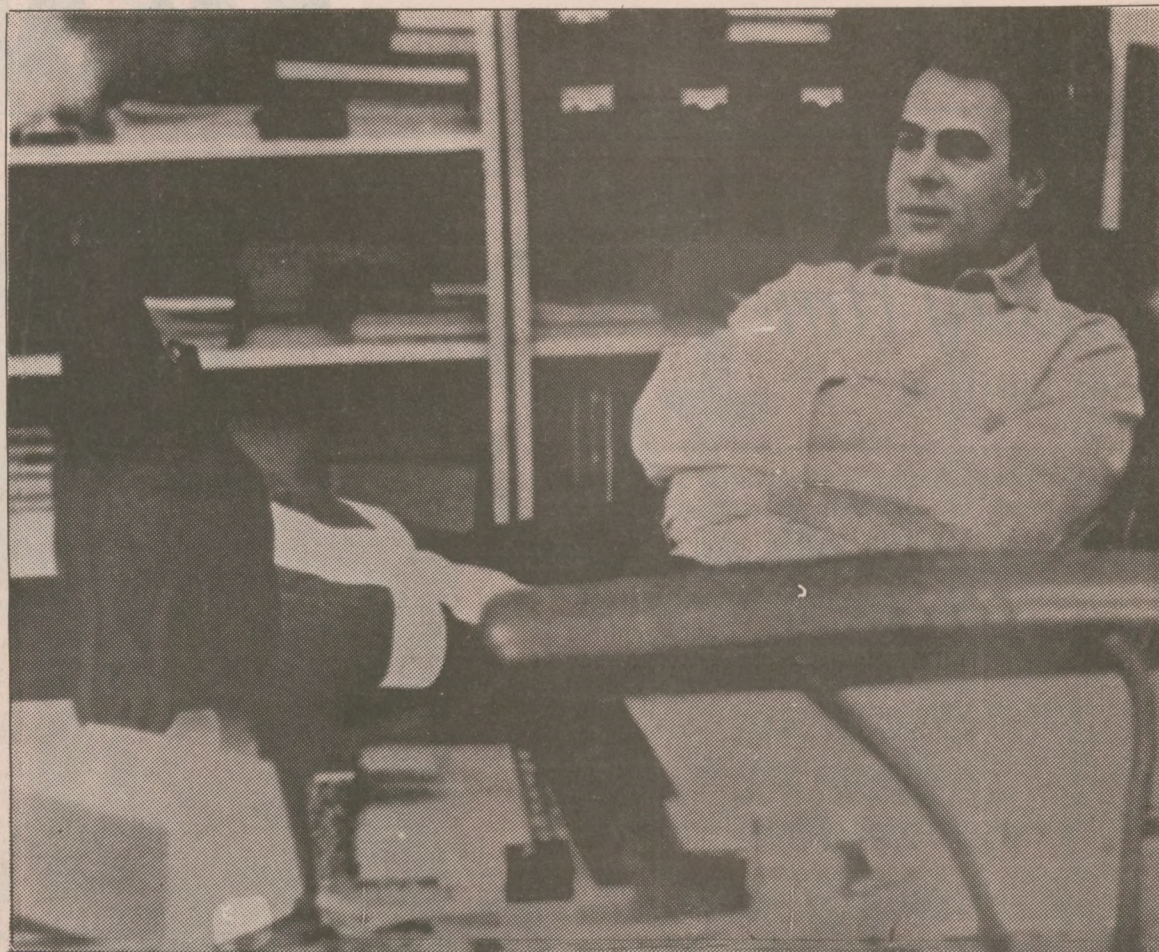
"You're his lawyer and best friend," she protests during one encounter.

"Just think of me as his lawyer," he replies.

Robin, Dr. Baird's secretary has a penchant for fooling around with the patients at the mental institute, and is a key accomplice in the Burns escape.

Walter Matthau, as Donald Becker, first appears in *The Couch Trip* at the airport trying to collect donations to save abused plants. Becker eventually becomes Burns' sidekick.

The Couch Trip is an enjoyable movie that combines sex, insanity and infidelity in a unique way.



Courtesy of Robert Solomon and Associates

In *Couch Trip*, Dan Aykroyd portrays a patient from a mental hospital who manages to

become the most popular radio sex therapist in Beverly Hills. The movie, is "R-rated."

What's Happening

Winter Olympics: Activities for the annual event will include broomball, four mile relay, obstacle course, snow football, tug-of-war, wiffle ball and snow shoe race.

Teams can pick up entry forms from the CIPO Service Window. The forms must be turned in by Friday.

Beach Party: This dance will utilize the Winter Carnival theme, *Life's A Beach*.

The summer-style event will feature a beach area, lifeguard chairs, Haagen-Dazs ice cream, and

pool areas.

The dance will be Saturday from 8 p.m. to midnight in the Shotwell Pavilion (next to Meadow Brook Hall).

Tony Spina: The photography editor for the *Detroit Free Press* will offer a photography workshop today at noon in the Fireside Lounge. The workshop is open to the public.

Volleyball: Students may participate in the three games Friday at noon in the Fireside Lounge.

Resolutions

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Kelly Martek, current president, said she wants "to stop procrastinating and have an effective year."

Another student, Donna Ryntz, made several resolutions, but said her chances of keeping them all vary. Saving money will be "no problem." She said she can probably do homework on schedule, but she also vowed to work out twice a week. "We'll see," she said laughing.

Another student, John Ferguson, plans "to take care of my mind and my body. If I do that, the rest will take care of itself," he said.

Others on campus said yearly resolutions are not for them.

"You make resolutions. You don't keep them. You get disappointed," said student Lance Foster.

Kurt Foster, an assistant professor of math sciences, said, "I think I made my important ones already."

Foster explained that 11 years ago he promised himself to quit smoking, and he has stuck to it so far.

Rita

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high heels. She wants to learn everything and forces Frank to teach her.

The more she learns, the less we laugh. The play becomes quieter, more serious. Rita stands in one spot. Red heels become black pumps.

David Regal as Frank plays the perfect straight man to comic Rita. An alcoholic professor, constantly in the doghouse—and a former poet—he is world weary, but continues nonetheless.

Regal plays the part with great subtlety. Obviously sexually attracted to Rita, and there is plenty of room in the part for Frank to be sexier, Regal plays this down considerably.

He throws down a line; it doesn't catch. He leaves it. He deals with her honestly and Rita is able to make the choices she has longed to be confronted with.

Regal and Darlow work well together. The pacing is crisp but natural. This is quite an accomplishment given the amount of dialogue. They dangle the expected "education of Frank" before us throughout, making the fact that it doesn't occur all the more effective.

A note on accents. Frank's public school boy accent and manner are played perfectly by Regal. Rita, on the other hand, may be a little tricky. Darlow's accent spans not only all of Northern England, but Southern Scotland as well. Rather than developing a small, regional accent she presents a generic northern, working-class accent, which very cleverly becomes more refined as the play progresses.

Rita does, however, use a lot of slang, some of which she must explain to Frank. Those who don't know what she's talking about are missing a pretty funny joke, but don't worry—it's not enough to make the play less enjoyable.

Willy Russell's *Educating Rita* plays at Meadow Brook Theatre through Jan. 24. For ticket information phone 377-3300.

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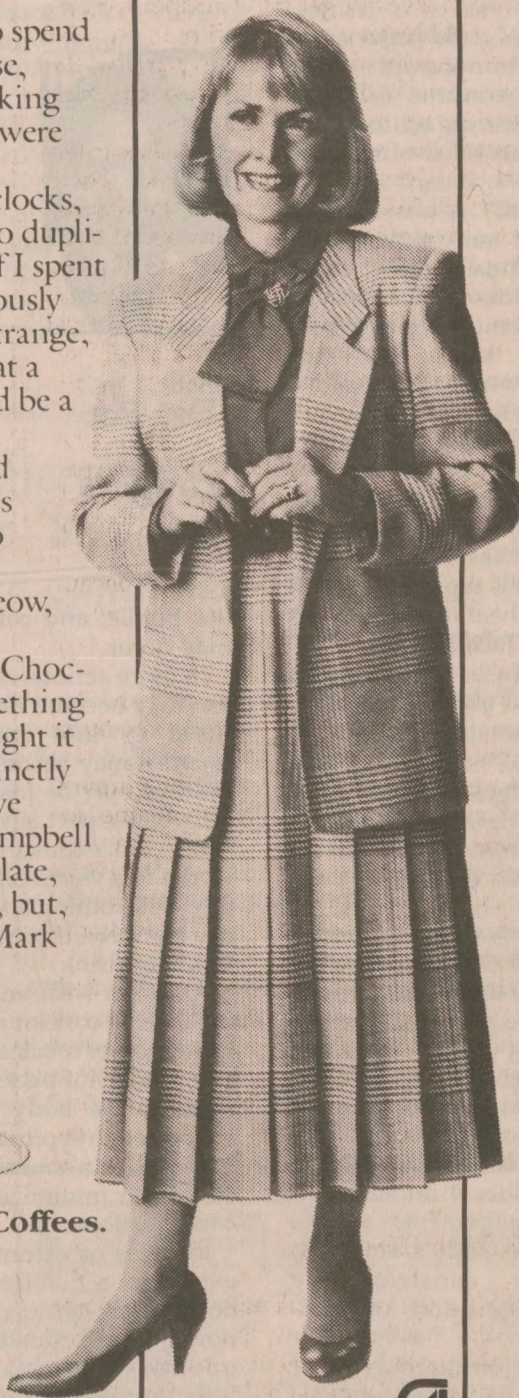
A103 Art and reason

When Mark and I decided to spend the weekend at his mother's house, I never imagined I would be walking into a mouse's nightmare. There were cats everywhere.

Cat plaques, cat statues, cat clocks, even a cat mat. I couldn't begin to duplicate her collection of kitty litter if I spent a year at a garage sale. Conspicuously absent, however, was a real cat. Strange, I thought, and began to fear that a weekend with cat woman could be a lot less than purr-fect.

But then she came home, and Mark introduced her. She was dressed surprisingly well—no leopard pants. In fact, you could say she was the cat's meow, but I'd rather not.

She offered me a cup of Dutch Chocolate Mint. Now that was something I could relate to. Then she brought it out in the most beautiful, distinctly unfeline china I'd ever seen. As we sipped, I found out that Mrs. Campbell has my same weakness for chocolate, loves the theater as much as I do, but, incredibly, never saw "Cats." So Mark and I are taking her next month.



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Image? What image?

This university has an image problem. It's not that it has a bad image. It doesn't. It just doesn't have an image at all. This is Michigan's most prominent invisible university.

To verify that conclusion I conducted an unofficial survey of five Rochester residents, asking each to name the five Michigan universities that first come to mind.

Western Michigan and Michigan State tied with five mentions, U of M and Central Michigan had four each, Eastern Michigan three, Ferris State one, Mott one, and one mention for Oakland University; a school right in the back yard of any Rochester resident. Granted the survey was hardly scientific, but then, I'm no scientist.

University officials have been working hard for quite some time to make Oakland more visible to the area, apparently without much success. They hold soccer camps and cheerleading camps here every summer. They bring youngsters through the OC all the time, giving them the grand tour. They were able to get the Lions and the Pistons to practice here.

Hell, school officials would probably get the Tigers and Red Wings if they thought they could.

Tom Van Voorhis, director of marketing and promotions for the athletic department, works hard to get our teams some recognition. He has been trying to get the Varsity Shops in Rochester and Birmingham to stock Oakland paraphernalia for years with no luck. It won't sell I guess.

We do get decent coverage from the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* and marginal coverage from *The Oakland Press* for basketball, but try to find Oakland soccer, swimming or volleyball in the local papers. You might as well look for communists in a VFW hall.

At Mr. B Bar in Rochester there are sports photos, flags and banners all over the walls, yet not one inch of space dedicated to Oakland. MSU is there, U of M is there. Where are we?

In limbo apparently.

The way I see it we have two problems here. Our name, and our football team. I know we don't have a football team. That's what I'm getting at.

I think soccer and swimming are fine sports. Certainly more civilized than football, and the uniforms don't get so dirty. But let's face it, football is to America what hostages are to Iran, the national pastime. Grown men camp in front of TV sets every Saturday and Sunday, communal beer and chips at their side, to worship the great gridiron god.

Our swim team could rank number one in the nation 10 years running and still not get mentioned in the *Free Press* or the *News*. The only time folks care about swimming is during the Olympics, or when they're on a sinking ship.

The same goes for soccer. It's a great sport, I like it, but most Americans don't. They like football. To them soccer is a sissy sport played by a bunch of greasy foreigners who can't speak da English.

Oakland soccer doesn't get into the sports pages much outside of the one your reading now. *The Oakland Press* usually doesn't even publish the scores, heaven forbid they should make the high school football story a little shorter.

Yet they print the results of Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference football games. There are even some GLIAC football stories that can be read without a magnifying glass. How about that?

If this school is serious about making itself more visible it should start an ambitious football program. Seven of the nine GLIAC schools have football teams. Why not us? If we can kick some GLIAC butt on the gridiron we might even earn a spot on the wall at Mr. B's.

Athletic Director Paul Hartman said a serious football program would cost about \$500,000 per year. That's five times as much as any other sport costs here. But if every Oakland student chipped in \$41 per year it would add up to approximately \$500,000 which would pay for a dandy football program. Perhaps we could even play our games in the Silverdome. Just think, a real football team playing in that place for once.

But we would still have one more problem: Our school's name. It's boring, and as close to generic as one can get.

For one thing, a proper abbreviation for a university should have more than two letters. Name one famous school with just two. Can't do it can you?

MSU, USC, OSU, and so on. Where the hell does OU fit in? Pronounce it and see what it sounds like. Owwwwwww. A cry of pain? What kind of a goofy handle is that for a university?

It's my opinion that a state's name in a university's title lends authority and credibility to the moniker. It's also a pretty good way to figure out just where in the hell a school is geographically too.

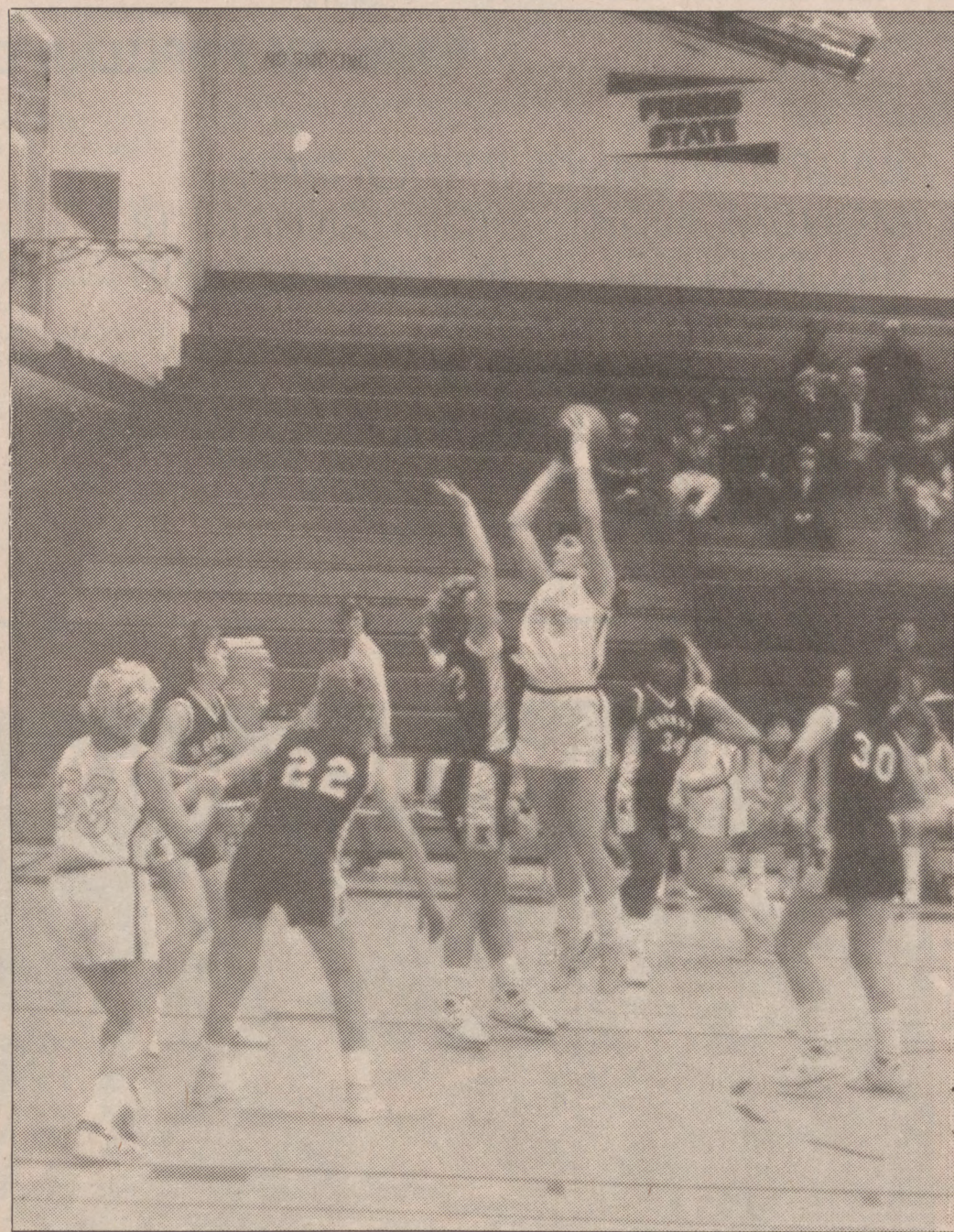
Well, Eastern Michigan, Western Michigan, Central Michigan, Northern Michigan, Michigan State, and University of Michigan are all taken. There is only one left:

Southern Michigan University

If that won't put us on the collegiate map I don't know what will. Yeah, I know, maybe we don't want to be associated with Southern Methodist University through our initials, but hey, didn't they have a great football team before the NCAA disbanded it for massive recruiting violations? We could even hire their old coaches. Perhaps we could call our team the Mustangs too.

Hoopsters fall to Michigan Tech

Gregory records 171st assist for school record



Celeste Sartor takes a shot in the Pioneers' 102-52 trouncing of Kalamazoo College Dec. 21 as Amy Atkinson (33) looks on.

By DAVID HOGG
Sports Writer

The new year started with a fizzle for the men's basketball team when they dropped an 89-80 decision to GLIAC rival Michigan Technological University.

Sophomore guard Brian Gregory led the Pioneers with a record setting performance. Dishing out 13 assists, Gregory gained 171 for the season, eclipsing the previous record of 170 set in the 1978-79 season by Craig Harts. Harts set his record in 27 games, while Gregory broke it in only 11.

If he can maintain his pace of 15.5 assists per game for the rest of the season, Gregory will finish with 434, breaking the career record of 374 by Rob Skinner between 1983 and 1986.

But even Gregory's stellar performance (including 27 points) and Scott Bittinger's 24 points couldn't overcome the Pioneer foul trouble. Three starters fouled out, Gregory, Andre Bond (with 18 points) and John Henderson.

Usually one of the team's top scorers, Henderson could only manage three points against Tech.

Rod Ruth led the Huskies with 32 points, and Jeff Johnson got 16.

The loss dropped Oakland to 1-1 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, good for fifth place behind Tech, Wayne State University, Hillsdale College and Ferris State University. The Pioneers overall record dropped to 7-4.

The loss put a damper on the Pioneers' 3-0 holiday record.

Dec. 19 Oakland beat Tri-State University in Indiana 105-91, setting a school record for shooting percentage in the first half (78.6). The old record was 70 percent set

in 1987. The team then came home to host the Convenience Food Mart Classic.

In the first round, they beat Aquinas College 109-93 and took Siena Heights College in the final game, 107-85.

Against Aquinas, Oakland tried 102 field goals, breaking the old record of 99, set three times, twice this season.

Streaking Andre Bond scored 32 points with nine rebounds against Tri-State, scored 17 in the Aquinas game, and had an incredible 40 point, 15 rebound, 4 block and 4 steal game against Siena Heights.

For his efforts he was named tournament most valuable player and GLIAC player of the week.

Bittinger and Mike McCan, who tied a 10 year old school record against Aquinas with 26 rebounds, both made the all-tournament team.

Pioneer coach Greg Kampe said he was very happy with his team's performance going into the GLIAC season. "If someone had told me before the season that we would be 7-3 going into league play, I would have hugged them. We played as hard a schedule as any division II school in the country," he said.

Kampe also said that one reason for the team's success is their depth. "We have so many players who can contribute. Tonight Andre might be unstoppable, tomorrow it could be Scott, Brian or John Henderson or anyone else."

The Pioneers 7-4 start is only two games behind last year's 9-2 takeoff and was achieved against a tougher schedule, according to Kampe.

Oakland plays three home games this week. Tuesday they entertain Grand Rapids Baptist, Thursday the Grand Valley State University Lakers and Saturday the Saginaw Valley State University Cardinals. See HOOPSTERS page 9

Lady Pioneer cagers win 6 of 7 over holidays

Enter league schedule leading division with 13-1 record

By MARK SPEZIA
Sports Writer

The Lady Pioneer hoopsters won 6 of 7 games during the Christmas break raising their record to 10-1 overall and 3-0 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

The team finished most of their non-conference games and beat up on a couple GLIAC foes with convincing wins over Indiana Tech, Northwood Institute, Tiffin University, Kalamazoo College and Michigan Technological University.

They also won a squeaker over the University of Michigan-Dearborn and suffered their first loss of the season to division I Notre Dame.

Last Thursday at Michigan Tech the Pioneers shot 31 of 54 from the floor and tamed the Huskies 87-62 in Marquette.

Although they never trailed after the early going, and shot 61 percent from the floor in the first half, they led by just four points at intermission.

Pioneer coach Bob Taylor called MTU "vastly improved from a year ago." He said his team was frustrated defensively in the first half and had to

work for every point.

Taylor said that overall he was pleased with the Pioneers' effort and that "our press (game) was very effective."

The team got consistent play from the whole line-up with five players in double figures. Taylor said he was glad to see this kind of output: "(It's) more the way we want to play."

Sarah Knuth led the way with 19 points. Kim Klein-Green had 15. Center Debbie Delie contributed 13. Freshman guard Janice Kosman scored 12 and Leah Fenwick chipped in 11.

Jan. 4 the University of Michigan-Dearborn Lady Wolves proved to be a stiffer test than anticipated.

The Pioneers lost their shooting touch and were lucky to come away with a 68-67 victory.

Taylor said they "didn't play well," but added that he was "happy that we found a way to win it."

Oakland came out on the short end of some key categories in the game including field goal percentage (.582 to .397) and defensive rebounds (26-21).

However, the Pioneers gained the edge in steals 18-4, and that may have

been the difference.

Knuth and Kosman played hero with 23 and 18 points respectively. Knuth also led the team in steals with 4.

Klein-Green shot .364 from the floor for just 10 points and three steals while becoming the first Pioneer to play all 40 minutes of a game this season.

Co-bricklayers Fenwick and Debbie Delie shot a combined four of 16 from the field for just nine points.

The Pioneers' game against Kalamazoo College Dec. 21 became their biggest rout of the season as the team coasted to a 102-52 victory.

The Hornets were swatted down early as OU enjoyed a 53-20 halftime lead. Taylor said they "played real well," and that he was particularly pleased with point guards Dawn Lichty and Ann Sera.

Lichty was one of six players in double figures with 10 points. Sera led the team in assists with eight and tied Maura Conroy for the team lead in steals with four. Sera said she thought the team played great defense in the game. "(Taylor) has really been stressing that in practice."

Delie and Klein-Green each had 16 points. Fenwick had 14 and led the team in rebounds with nine. Knuth however, played poorly and not very much, hitting only one of four field goal attempts in just 12 minutes of play.

The slack was taken up by Amy Atkinson and Kosman who had 12 and 10 points respectively.

Dec. 19 the Pioneers took the Tiffin University Dragons to hell and back with a 96-48 victory.

Five players reached double figures as the Oakland defense pulled the fuses out of Tiffin's scoring, outshooting them .587 to .385. In a game Tiffin would rather forget about, the Pioneers led in rebounds, 46-24, and in steals, 25-10.

Delie led the scoring with 19 and was the high rebounder with nine. Fenwick, Klein-Green and Kosman had 14 points each. Atkinson came off the bench to contribute 10 and led the team in steals with six.

Dec. 11 against Northwood Institute six Pioneers finished in double figures as the Oakland Mac truck ran over the Northwood Volkswagen 90-73.

Tankers beat Cleveland State, 2 divers qualify nationally

By RALPH ECHTINAW
Sports Editor

Cleveland State University's women's team got a swimming lesson last Friday when the Pioneer tankers made bilge water out of the Vikings 162-103.

"I thought it was going to be a tougher meet," said Pioneer coach Tracy Huth. "Our swimmers are swimming better than I anticipated."

Tanker Shelly Pilarski added "We're happy that it's this easy for us."

Despite the cold water that makes it harder to loosen up, Lisa Guilfoyle turned in her best time of the season in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:09.86). Huth said Guilfoyle may eventually qualify for nationals this year but "she's got a lot of improving to do yet on her starts and turns."

Nancy Schermer continued to dominate her competition by taking first in the 1,000- and 200-yard freestyle events and helping the team to another first-place finish in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Schermer, at six feet, has a big advantage over other swimmers according to Huth. "She's stronger this year. She's slimmed down but yet she's stronger," he said.

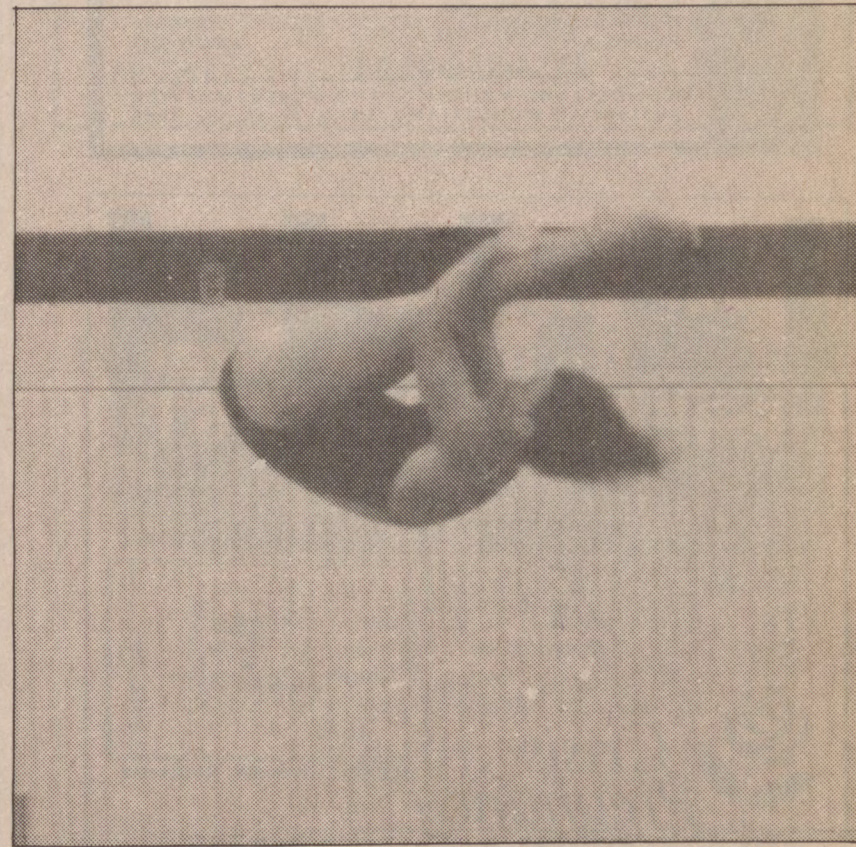
Her only weaknesses, said Huth, are: "She's weak with the legs" and she doesn't dive right. "She's got to learn to carry her start out over the water more," he said.

Divers Jill Thompson and Nikki Kelsey qualified for nationals against Cleveland. Thompson turned in a season-best performance in front of her parents who came over from Rockford, near Grand Rapids, for the meet.

Thompson said she likes diving because "it's individual" and "it's a beautiful sport." She added that although swimming and diving are so different "they go together because they both take place in a pool."

Thompson said that when the team goes on the road the divers room separately from the swimmers. "Even when we go to meets we're segregated," she said.

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Nikki Kelsey performs one of the dives that qualified her for the nationals in the Pioneers' 162-103 win last Friday over Cleveland State University.

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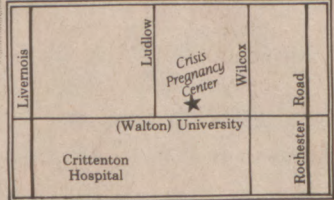
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Fencers' new instructor has plenty of experience to pass on to students

By RALPH ECHTINAW
Sports Editor

The Fencing Society of Oakland University has hired Wayne State University assistant fencing coach Jon Zelkowski to provide instruction to Oakland fencers this semester.

Zelkowski will attend fencing practices the next seven Thursday evenings, leading the club in footwork and handwork drills as well as provide individual instruction. Zelkowski is a B-rated foil fencer who has been practicing the art for 12 years.

The United States Fencing Association, which regulates fencing in the United States, rates fencers from A to E with A being the best. Fencers fight with one of three weapons, foil, epee or sabre. Zelkowski earned his C rating in 1978 (when that was the lowest rating available) by winning a C-and-under tournament. Seven months later in 1979 he earned his B. "I was pleased," he said. He has been a B ever since.

Zelkowski said he got interested in the sport while a student at Southfield-Lathrup High School.

He was looking at a bulletin board in the hall one day that listed activities students could become involved in when he chanced upon fencing under the F's.

Upon further investigation he discovered that the school had no fencing club, but an instructor agreed to teach him if he could find another interested student.

That's how the Southfield-Lathrup fencing club was formed in 1975.

Zelkowski went on to Wayne State University after high school to fence for its varsity team where "We won the NCAA championship a couple of times."

He earned an English degree at Wayne and is currently working on his masters in teaching while working as a driver for Hungry Howie's Pizza and Subs in Madison Heights.

Zelkowski has been Wayne's assistant fencing coach under head coach Gil Pezza for three weeks.

He's been to the USFA national championships seven times in the last 10 years, earning 42nd place in 1984, 27th in 1985 and 12th in 1986.

Although he will not fence with Oakland, ("I can't fence with these



The Oakland Post / Eric Kurtycz
Wayne State University assistant fencing coach Jon Zelkowski.

people. I'm not interested in doing any more college fencing," he said), the club should benefit from his presence.

Oakland coach Paul Franklin said one of his goals for this season was to get a quality fencer to come in and give instruction.

Zelkowski said he prefers fencing individually to fencing as part of a team. "If I go to a tournament and I let my teammates down I feel like shit afterwards."

But when fencing individually: "If I go to a tournament and I do well, that's nice."

He remembers one occasion while on Wayne's team when they were facing Notre Dame and needed a win badly. He said the assistant coach grabbed him by the shoulders and said, "Jon, we need this bout. We gotta have this bout. You gotta win." He lost that one.

On Dec. 29, 12 of them competed in the Hall of Fame Ocean Mile Swim off the coast of Ft. Lauderdale.

Schermer finished first in the women's senior division and Kristi Spicer finished third. Johnson took second in the junior division, Shelley Steyaert third in the sophomore division, Sue Novitsky second and Lisa Vincent third in the freshman division.

The team's next meet is Friday against Wright State University at

Swimmers get tans in Florida, ready to continue with season

By SUSAN STOKES
Sports Writer

In an attempt to avoid Michigan's sub-zero temperatures, the men's swim team made a late December rendezvous in the warm waters of West Palm Beach Fla. for some mid-season training Dec. 18-31.

Traveling to the sunshine state the team stopped in Orlando for the U.S. Open international swim meet. Pioneers Mark VanderMey, Hilton Woods and Jim Surowiec competed in the Open which, according to Pioneer coach Pete Hovland, "is the last big meet before the summer Olympics."

In West Palm Beach Hovland scheduled two workouts per day, "but I left ample time for other activities," he said. While in Florida the team "enjoyed going to the beach, body surfing and sun bathing," said Hovland.

None of the swimmers' families made the trip but several tankers spent Christmas day with nearby relatives. Both the men's and women's teams got together for a Christmas Eve celebration. Hovland said each swimmer drew a name and bought an inexpensive gift for another teammate. The team captains dressed up as Santa and Mrs. Claus to distribute the presents.

The Pioneers returned to Michigan Dec. 31 only to find chilling winds and icy roads. Hovland brought the team home "so they could spend the rest of the holidays with their families," he said.

Prior to exams last month the tankers competed in the Eastern Michigan University Invitational. Besting last year's third-place finish, the team placed second behind the University of Michigan.

During the meet 14 swimmers swam times fast enough to qualify

for the NCAA national meet in New York. Hovland needs an additional four swimmers to complete his roster for the meet. Oakland is allowed an 18-member team for the March event.

The tankers face division I University of Michigan Wednesday at Lepley. Currently Michigan is ranked eighth in the nation. Hovland and his team expect it to be one of their toughest meets this season.

"Swimming a team with the depth of talent as Michigan is a challenge for Oakland. It will be more of a test for individuals than for the team as a whole," Hovland said.

"The University of Michigan is deep in every event and every stroke. Competing against them brings us back down to Earth. We've got to make them (Pioneers) realize that there are swimmers better than ourselves."

been practicing and lost their composure.

"On every mistake we made they scored," he said.

The Pioneers shot .339 from the floor and were outmuscled on the defensive boards 35-12. Here is one game the Pioneers would rather just forget they ever played.

Hoopsters

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But it wouldn't be a proper season without an embarrassing defeat and Oakland had to go to Notre Dame for that. In what some called a basketball clinic the division

I Fighting Irish reminded the Pioneers that they play in division II, beating them 100-51 Dec. 9.

In the understatement of 1987 Taylor said "We didn't play real well. I thought we kind of panicked."

He attributed the loss to Notre Dame's physical size and quickness. He said the Pioneers broke off some things they had

Lepley. It promises to be a tough one as Huth freely admits, "They are better than us."

The Cleveland State results follow:

200-yard medley relay: First place, Spicer, Guilfoyle, Johnson and Dana Kennedy, 1:54.89. Third place, Debbi Cheney, Karen Helwig, Deanna Fridley and Pilar-ski, 2:03.32.

1,000-yard freestyle: First, Schermer, 11:05.43. Second, Vincent, 11:23.58. Fifth, Gabrielle Soupal, 13:15.86.

100-yard backstroke: First, Spicer, 1:05.10. Third, Cheney, 1:08.89. Fourth, Rachel Shaar, 1:12.64.

100-yard breaststroke: First, Guilfoyle, 1:09.86. Fifth, Helwig, 1:20.25.

100-yard freestyle: Second, Kennedy, 56.54. Third, Pilarski, 57.44.

200-yard butterfly: First, Fridley, 2:16.13. Second, Johnson, 2:17.62.

Third, Steyaert, 2:17.96.

200-yard freestyle: First, Schermer, 1:56.72. Third, Novitsky 2:01.83.

Fourth, Steyaert, 2:04.21.

50-yard freestyle: First, Guilfoyle, 25.12. Third, Kennedy, 25.66.

Fourth, Pilarski, 26.29.

One-meter diving: First, Thompson, 260.25 points. Second, Kelsey, 250.20 points. Fifth, Susan Brenner, 172.275 points.

100-yard butterfly: Second, Fridley, 1:02.74. Exhibition, Steyaert, 1:03.96. Exhibition, Shaar, 1:06.98.

500-yard freestyle: First, Novitsky, 5:26.06. Second, Vincent, 5:36.77.

200-yard backstroke: First, Spicer, 2:22.25. Second, Cheney, 2:29.77.

Fourth, Shaar, 2:37.68.

200-yard breaststroke: First, Guilfoyle, 2:33.20. Fourth, Helwig, 2:50.20.

200-yard individual medley: Fourth, Ilise Rosen, 2:53.78. Exhibition, Johnson, 2:20.38.

400-yard freestyle relay: First, Schermer, Novitsky, Pilarski and Kennedy, 3:45.98.

Three-meter diving: First, Kelsey, 248.725 points. Second, Thompson, 246.50 points. Third, Stafford. Exhibition, Susan Brenner, 227.625 points.

Tankers

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Diving coach Don Mason said he was "not happy with all the dives" but was pleased overall. "They've got a chance to really improve and go to the national championship," he said. "They're working their butts off."

Huth seems to be happy with his team's performance this season and said the team attitude is better than

others around the area. "I think it (their attitude) is a lot like the men. It rubs off," he said.

One of the big surprises so far, according to Huth, is Ginnie Johnson. He said she failed to live up to expectations in her freshman and sophomore years but now is performing at a high level.

Over the Christmas break the team practiced in West Palm Beach, Florida, working out four hours a day. Huth said they swam about 7,000 meters per workout.

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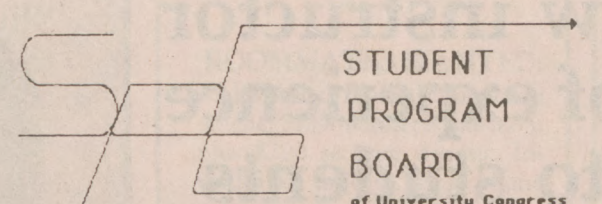
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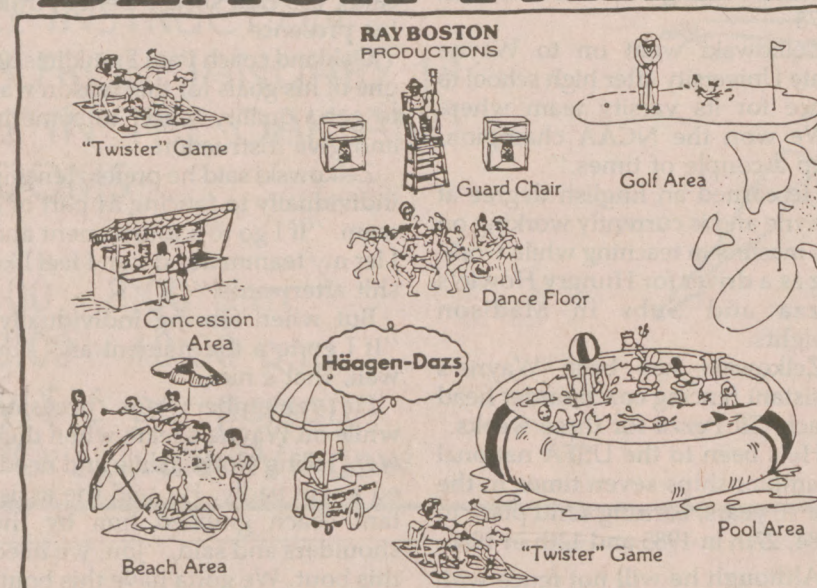
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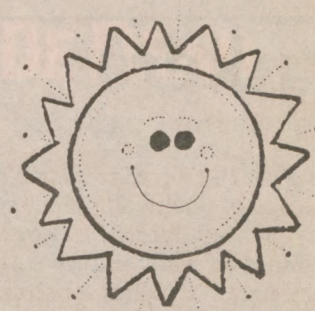
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