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Apartments roll out welcome mat

By GAYLE ISSA
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Students have been moving into the new apartments since Aug. 23. The six apartment buildings located on the north side of campus overlook the Upper Pioneer Fields and Walton Blvd. They, along with the other new buildings, have changed the face of the university.

The 133 apartments for two, three and four people were built for juniors, seniors and graduate students. The 459-person capacity are not quite filled, as eight units were held in reserve for international and physically challenged students.

"I think any increase in housing capacity promotes and strengthens overall on-campus living. The more students we have on campus, the more active and vital the campus community is," said Eleanor Reynolds, Director of University Housing and Food Services.

The current housing capacity is approximately 2,000, up from a little more than 1,500 prior to the construction of the apartments. To reach full capacity in the dorms again will take several years, according to Reynolds. Overall, there is an increase of between 100 and 150 campus residents.

"The students are excited about the apartments. I have only heard extremely positive and complimentary things so far," Reynolds said.

Ground broke on the apartment site last September, and construction was completed during the summer semester. Vice President of Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder said the project cost \$21 million, which was paid for by the sale of bonds. Students' rent will be used to pay off the bonds when they mature.

Stefen Welch, junior, said that he loves how the apartments look from Walton Boulevard and enjoys having the basketball and volleyball courts close by.

"We moved over here to avoid things like the 2:30 a.m. fire drills in the dorms. It's cool to have a living room for us to gather in and also have the privacy of our own bedrooms to just chill out in if we want to. Everyone seems to want to stay through the holidays and even take spring and summer classes so they can stay during the semesters. It's going to be hard to leave," he said.

Prince Young, junior, said, "They're very comfortable, spacious and state-of-the-art. They look very elegant, too. There's more of a home feel to them, and there's more privacy."

He said his favorite features in his apartment are the washer and dryer in each unit, the kitchen with a dishwasher, large refrigerator and microwave, the couches and the fact there are two bathrooms for four people to share.

Laura Cuniffe, senior, lived in the dorms for three and half years until this semester. She said she is excited to have air-conditioning in her new apartment, an upgrade from dorm life.

"I love the fact that no one has lived in them before. There should be more of a social life now on campus," said Sara Harley, senior.

"The apartments add a whole other dimension to the campus for older students," said Albert Robinson, junior, Young's roommate.

Room and board in residence halls costs \$5,252 per academic year (with the meal plan) according to Reynolds. The cost of living in the apartments without the additional cost of the meal plan is \$4,240.



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Students began moving into the new apartments Aug. 23. Located on the north side of campus near Upper Pioneer Fields and Walton Blvd., each apartment has a refrigerator, washing machine, dryer, stove and dishwasher. A grand opening ceremony will be held Friday.

OUPD hires new chief

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
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Law enforcement veteran Samuel Lucido, 52, will bring three decades of experience to OUPD when he assumes his new position as police chief Sept. 9.

"Mr. Lucido has all of the qualities, experience and attributes we were looking for," Vice President of Finance and Administration Lynne Schaefer said, confirming his acceptance of the position last week.

Lucido will replace interim police chief Dallas Schneider who has held the position since April 10. The changes within the post were created with the departure of Adam Garcia at that time.

"He is a proven leader, with a solid and well articulated vision of what a police department should be in a

community like Oakland University. He has the added benefit of having been a faculty member in a criminal justice program at another higher education institution."

For the last four years, Lucido has served as chief of police in Northfield Township, a small community north of Ann Arbor. Prior to that, he spent 25 years with the Detroit Police Department, where his responsibilities included patrol work, investigation, training and administrative duties.

Lucido also spent time as an assistant professor in the criminal justice department at Madonna University for two years. Although he enjoyed the experience, he longed to return to police work.

"I think with my back-

ground as a professor, I have a feel for it (campus life) with law enforcement (experience)," Lucido said.

Schaefer said that Lucido was well received by committees involved in the selection process from Student Affairs, university senior managers and OUPD representatives. He was chosen from a field of more than 40 applicants.

"My style is to take the time to look at an operation and see how it works," Lucido said, explaining that he then likes to meet with command staff to formulate any necessary changes together.

Lucido lives in Oakland County and is married with one son and two grand sons.

Poet Laureate to read next week

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
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Labeled "the stand-up poet," United States Poet Laureate Billy Collins will deliver his punch lines of muse in a free public reading at 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13 in Varner Hall.

Recently reappointed to the laureateship for a second term by the Library of Congress, Collins is redefining the popularity of poetry. His last three works, *Questions about Angels* (1991), *The Art of Drowning* (1995) and *Picnic, Lightning* (1998) set new poetry sales records.

"Collins' poetry is getting great reviews, and his readings are becoming legendary ... he's worked hard as poet

laureate to bring poetry into the lives of people who have thought poetry didn't have anything to offer them," Brian Connery, professor of English, said.

A graduate of Holy Cross College, Collins earned his Ph.D. in Romantic poetry from the University of California, Riverside. He taught at Lehman College from 1969 until 2001. This fall he will begin an appointment as professor of English at Sarah Lawrence College.

"I've been teaching literature all of my life. That means that I revisit all of this poetry on a rotating basis," Collins said from his Somers, N.Y. home. "I keep going back and teaching Emily Dickinson, Coleridge, Byron. So all of these voices

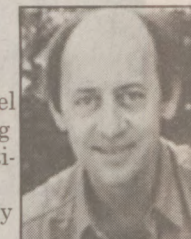
become a chorus."

Collins doesn't feel he's trying to demystify poetry today, only to introduce more people to it in all its various forms.

"If people who don't read poetry read one of my poems and now they have a better attitude toward it, I'm really happy about that," he said.

"I really appreciate all poetry if it's good ... I think people who say it's not poetry if it doesn't rhyme, I would put them in the same

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Billy Collins



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The food court in the OC changed dramatically over the summer. New vendors include Subway, Chik-Fil-A, Coyote Jacks, Wild Greens and Menutainment.

OC food court expands offerings

By REBECCA WYATT
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The Board of Trustees replaced food service vendor Aramark with Chartwells in June, signing a five-year contract that brought several changes in dining options throughout the university.

In the OC, Noble Roman's pizza and Starbucks are the only familiar marquees from last year. Starbucks will still serve coffee and pastries but now features Krispy Kreme doughnuts, as well.

Chick-Fil-A is one of the new anchors in the food court. It features "original chicken" sandwiches and nuggets, grilled chicken

sandwiches, salads and waffle fries.

Subway is new to the food court and has a service window like the one at Nobel Roman's to accommodate late night customers.

Other additions include Coyote Jacks, a southwestern burger stand, and a made-to-order salad bar Wild Greens.

Center Stage will now be called Menutainment and have two key features: Au Bon Pain and Terra Ve. Au Bon Pain serves gourmet soups, and Terra Ve is a vegetarian line that mirrors the made-to-order food previously featured in Center Stage.

The food court is not the only

place impacted by the Chartwells' arrival on campus.

Outtakes features frozen drinks in a variety of flavors and replaces Pretzel Logic in the OC basement next to Bumpers Game Room.

Outtakes will also have a spot inside the new Education and Human Services Building.

"I think that what we are seeing from Chartwells is a lot of new energy and a lot of motivation," OC Director Richard Fekel said. "I expect and I hope that we will see higher quality than we have seen lately."

Ronda Redmond, Chartwells Director of Retail Dining, also

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Sharf Golf Course 'tees off' campus community

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

When OU's second golf course, R&S Sharf Golf Course, was built two years ago at a cost of \$4.8 million, several students and faculty members voiced concerns the course might have negative environmental and academic impacts.

Despite already having the Katke-Cousins Golf Course, OU constructed Sharf with a pledge that it would increase gift ventures to the university by \$1 million, but the course hosts far fewer golfers than expected and is losing money annually. Questions of the course's usefulness and impact on the universi-

ty remain unanswered.

In 1999, 33,616 rounds of golf were played at Katke-Cousins, OU's original golf course. Sharf opened in August 2000, and a total of 31,530 rounds of golf were played between the two courses that year. Sharf was open its first full season last year, however, the two courses hosted a combined total of 32,000 rounds - only 470 more than the previous year.

Administrators cited Sharf's start-up phase and poor weather conditions for attendance figures last year. Bill Rogers, golf course managing director says that the economy and weather impacted course usage. Summer 2002 attendance figures are calculated

in the fall and were unavailable at press time.

"The golf industry as a whole is suffering a decline," Rogers said. "I would say OU is indicative of that."

OU, along with U-M Ann Arbor and MSU, are the only Michigan public universities with two golf courses. Last year, MSU's enrollment was 44,227, and 38,090 students were at U-M Ann Arbor - figures more than double OU's 2001 enrollment of 15,875.

Before the Sharf course was built in 2000, the proposal created a major uproar with OU faculty, students and staff as they questioned the need for it and environmental effects. The golf course has negatively affected

some academic departments.

George Gamboa, professor of biological sciences, protested the course construction and said it disrupted his paper wasp research and threatened some graduate research projects. Since that time his research hasn't been disrupted, but he did note that students have been impacted as the golf course has affected the teaching component necessary for quality in observing the environment in its natural state.

"The diversity of birds has dropped," Gamboa said. "Birds of prey are less common. There's not as many Red Tail or Cooper's Hawks. The habitat of animals has been destroyed. Other animals become more crowded such

as deer, raccoons, opossums."

Gamboa's research lab is next to Sharf in an area on campus where some 150-year-old trees dot the landscape. He has a clear view of the golf cart path and says he sees few people on the course, even when the weather is nice.

Melissa Noble, senior, biology, does paper wasp research with Gamboa. She said her research hasn't been interrupted by the golf course, but wonders if there might be more colonies without the second golf course.

Noble added that since spring, she has seen only one golfer using the golf course.

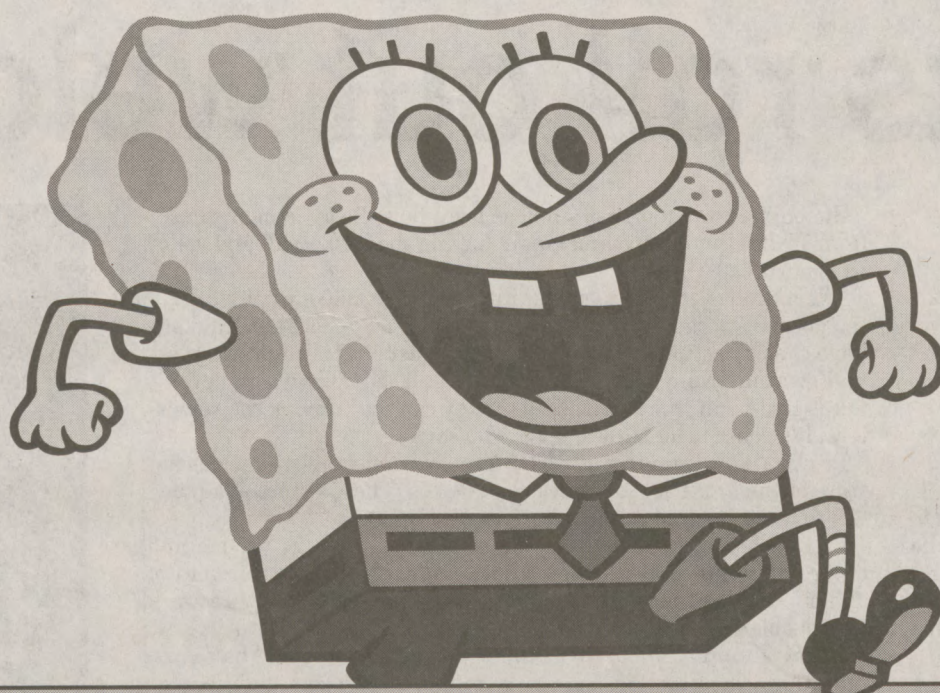
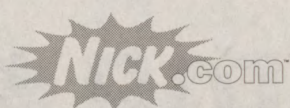
One university employee who is a regular on Sharf's Men's

League also noticed that the course is usually empty. He played Sharf roughly 15 times this year and has seen a few other golfers only a handful of times.

When course construction was announced, he said, "I remember some of the kids didn't like it. I don't blame them. I thought it was kind of a waste because there's another one on campus. Now, there's so many courses out there (in the area) they're dropping the rates."

"I think they (the administration) should've listened (to the students)," he said. "It was like they already had their minds

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'Welcome Week' awakens campus

Jimmy Fallon, 'Commotion' launch semester

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
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Welcome Week will draw students into OU to check out what it's all about in between cracking the books.

Paul Franklin, coordinator of Campus Programs, said the purpose of the week and planned activities is to say, "Welcome to campus. Here's what's available. Catch the spirit. We want to get students excited about OU."

Jimmy Fallon, Saturday Night Live's funnyman, will be performing from 7-9 p.m., Friday in the Vandenberg Hall Cafeteria. Tickets are free and will be available starting today at 9 a.m. at the Center for Student Activities (CSA) window. Tickets are available to students only with an OU ID. There is a limit of one ticket per student.

Fallon is starting his fourth SNL season as anchor of 'Weekend Update.' He hosted

last week's MTV Music Awards.

"The OU classroom is priority, but getting involved or attending activities is important," said Jean Ann Miller, director of CSA. Commuter Commotion will highlight that fact from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Sept. 6 in front of South Foundation Hall.

"It's going to be very cool. We'll have a dozen 2003 vehicles on display, like a Hummer, Cadillac and others of interest to students. We'll be handing out transportation-related business coupons.

This will focus on the commuter," Franklin said.

Student and Greek organizations are hosting a carnival today from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. between North and South Foundation Halls to promote their organizations.

The Rochester Target Store invites students to shop at its store from 6-9 p.m., Sept. 5 and show an OU ID to receive 10 percent off all purchases.



Using free food and games, the SPB welcomes student back to school.

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Sigma Pi invites students to go hog wild at pig roast

By JENNIFER J. DECKER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Sigma Pi is inviting all of OU to the eighth annual Sigma Pi Pig Roast from 7 p.m.- 1 a.m., Friday at the Upper Pioneer Fields.

"As the premier event of Welcome Week, the Sigma Pi Pig Roast gives incoming students a chance to meet many new people in a relaxed social setting," Brett Westen, senior and Sigma Pi president said. "Many students often complain that there isn't enough to do at Oakland. This event helps to show there is campus life."

The pig roast is financed by the Student Allocation Funding Board and is open to all OU

students, faculty and staff. Each student may bring up to two guests. Students and guests must show a driver's license and valid college ID.

"This is the largest event on campus, period," said Al Zurawskyj, sophomore and Sigma Pi special events chairman. "It is also non-alcoholic. I would wager to say that the food is the best part of the event. However, we have numerous entertainment activities such as a dunk tank, an inflatable obstacle course, joust and bouncy boxing ring, a live DJ and dancing."

Mike Grant, OU alumnus and former Sigma Pi president, started the first pig roast. He explained that the idea came from attending the chartering ceremony of a Sigma Pi chapter at

Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. While there, he and other members discovered how strong Greek life could be at a university as they saw other fraternities do things like building a giant pyramid over the front of their house and holding a 'Valley of the Kings' party.

"The first pig roast was nothing like it is today, but it was an event to say the least," Grant said. "Nothing like the pig roast had been attempted at Oakland University in years. In fact, the only time someone could remember something similar was when the university was a more rural institution."

"We had been directed by the university to do all that we could to ensure high attendance, but

we did our job too well. We were expecting 150 attendees, but we ended up with 350 attendees. That sounds small compared to recent pig roasts, but at the time, that type of attendance was unimaginable. It's been growing ever since."

In the past, the pig roast was held on land where the new university student apartments were built this year. Forced to move to the Upper Pioneer Fields, Westen said he hopes to get a large attendance from the residence halls and the new student apartments.

Alan Scott, associate director, Placement and Career Services and Sigma Pi's adviser

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Collies dog geese

By REBECCA WYATT
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

The problem is the geese, the solution, OU officials hope, is Gooseworks.

Gooseworks, located in South Lyon, a company founded by Kirk Mehlhaff and Wendy Villarreal, that uses border collies to control geese population. According to Mehlhaff, the border collies naturally want to herd the geese, not harm them and the geese feel threatened by the dogs and leave.

"There is really no stress, no physical contact. It's just a matter of moving them," said Mehlhaff.

"Geese have been a problem for a number of years," said Simon Ren, associate director of Facilities Management.

He said a goose removal service was first discussed about four years ago.

OU looked into the services because it can be pricey to remove the droppings and keep the grounds clean.

Other things will be done to deter the geese from staying on campus. They will be using tall grasses around Beer Lake which, according to Ren, will limit the sightline of the geese which will make them feel threatened and unsafe. Ren said OU will still do egg collecting in the spring. Last spring 57 eggs were collected which lowered the summer geese residents to 20.

OU located Gooseworks through the Michigan Humane Society.

"I went to a class for egg collection, and the Humane Society instructor discussed methods like hazing and they had a list of about 12 different firms that did goose control," Ren said. "The first one I called recommend-



Dexter, one of Gooseworks' border collies, chases Canada geese on east campus to discourage them from making OU their permanent home.

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ed Gooseworks, and they were the only people that we found that could do the work and had more than one dog."

Gooseworks has been working on campus since Aug. 5 and already there are positive results. After one week of using the dogs the goose count was down from 200 to about 30. Then after taking the weekend off the count was at nearly 100 again, Mehlhaff said.

"We are very successful with repetitive visits going on for a period of time. Eventually, the birds are going to seek other areas," Mehlhaff said.

"It takes about two months of random variable harassment to clear them off," Villarreal said.

"The results are immediate, but to get the long lasting results it takes more work."

It's more than just the dogs that are used to scare the geese away. Mylar balloons, tape, remote controlled boats and other tac-

tics are also used at key times throughout the year.

Mehlhaff said that OU's problem is not migratory birds who just stop and stay for a short time, but rather the residential birds who have built a home here.

Also, according to Mehlhaff the area is prone to geese due to fruit trees, grassy areas and all the retention ponds.

"With the construction going on and the planting of the grass seeds the birds are saying, 'This is perfect,'" Mehlhaff said.

The dogs should not bother students, faculty or campus visitors.

"Our dogs are very focused on what they have to do, so they won't give you the time of day while they are working," Mehlhaff said.

"The dogs are very friendly. There is no concern as far as safety from our part,"

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SEHS building is open for business

By ANDREW ZUEHLK
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The face of OU's campus is changing. As OU undergoes a facelift, students can look forward to reaping the benefits of increased classroom space and greater access to technology.

The latest of these changes is the School of Education and Human Services (SEHS) building. Located across the parking lot from Varner Hall, on the southeast side of campus, the SEHS building commands the view people traveling along Pioneer Drive's southern bend.

Opening this fall, the facility will accommodate a steadily increasing student population. Since 1995, the SEHS has experienced a 46 percent increase in enrollment with a high of 4,083 students last fall. And as this fall's enrollment is expected to be even larger, the building's completion could not have come at a better time.

The 13,000 square foot SEHS building includes 13 general purpose classrooms.

Ground was broken for the \$31.5 million project in the spring of 2001. The initial cost of \$23 million was provided to OU by the state of Michigan.

The remaining \$7.5 million was left as the university's responsibility, a portion of which has already been covered by

alumni contributions.

The new building will house SEHS's five departments including the Departments of Counseling, Curriculum Instruction and Leadership, Human Development and Child Studies, Human Resource Development, Reading and Language Arts, and The Lowry Child Care Center.

"It's a beautiful building. We're just beginning to discover what it offers. I guess for me one of the best parts is that I will be in closer proximity to all my colleagues," said John McEaney, professor of reading and language arts.

McEaney's office was previously located with SEHS faculty in O'Dowd Hall. He began unpacking in his new office on Aug. 26.

McEaney said, "We've seen a lot of growth in our programs, and we were sort of fragmented in O'Dowd, scattered about here and there, and there's some real advantage to bringing everybody together, not to mention the fact that this is not just office space. There are classrooms with all the latest technology."

According to McEaney, the SEHS building truly is state-of-the-art. "The rooms have multiple network connections. All the classrooms will be configured

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Crime Watch

•An 18-year-old female student discovered her wallet missing, along with her father's credit card when she returned home from the Registrar's Office, Aug. 13. She told police she set her purse on the floor while talking to someone about her classes. She informed her father, who then called his credit card company and was told \$330 had been charged in gas and clothing.

•A white 1991 Peugeot was recovered as an alleged stolen vehicle, Aug. 23. A 17-year-old female stopped into OUPD to provide her registration and identification necessary to complete a prior P-5 Lot property damage incident report. When running the vehicle number, it was discovered that the car was wanted by Pontiac Police. The vehicle was impounded.

•Two male students were allegedly involved in a shoving match in the Dean of Student's Office, Aug. 16. One of the students said he had filed a police report with the Clawson PD on alleged ongoing threats made against the other male. The suspect reportedly pushed the other male. No further action will be taken until the two have a meeting with the Dean of Students.

•Two golf marker signs were reported sprayed with white paint sometime during the night of Aug. 12 in the field near the Adams Rd. and Walton Blvd. intersection. The signs were part of an external company's event being held on campus. A 28-year-old non-student male told police he had his own night time security on duty. The two signs are valued at a sum of \$500.

•A female staff member reported her calculator was taken sometime between Aug. 5-19 from her 202 Wilson Hall office. The employee returned from vacation to discover her overhead cupboard was unlocked and her calculator missing. The Texas Instrument calculator was valued at \$60.

Congress debates its SLLB funding

By GAYLE ISSA
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At the first reading of the Student Congress (OUCS) budget Aug. 19, a debate began over how much funding the Student Life Lecture Board (SLLB) should receive for the 2002-2003 school year.

Coordinator of Campus Programs, Paul Franklin petitioned for SLLB to receive \$10,000. This is \$4,000 more than the organization received last year. Franklin said additional funding is needed to support the types of speakers it brings to campus.

Student Body President Brian Tomina, senior, referred to a referendum held last year. At that time, a majority of students voted to allocate to SLLB only two percent of the 21 percent that OUCS

receives from the student activity fee.

Former Vice President Vesna Saveski, senior, said that the referendum was held during Adam Kochenderfer's administration (2000-2001 term) and took effect during Derek Dickow's administration (2001-2002 term). She verified Tomina's assessment of the referendum.

At the meeting, Financial Affairs Director Jim Gammicchia, junior, made a counter proposal of \$3,000 that was seconded. The budget draft was changed to reflect this and is up for final approval at the OUCS meeting on Sept. 9.

According to Tomina, giving \$6,000 again would be a violation of the students' vote.

"They do bring great speakers. But if they need a long-term solution they need

to develop a proper ballot instead of circumventing students' wants. It's our job to reflect what students want especially if they vote on it and it's in black and white," Tomina said.

Sumeera Younis, director of Student Services, sophomore, agrees with Tomina.

"We could have allocated \$10,000 but is that good for students? It would have been easy to just give away the money. But we're following the referendum. We stuck to our guns. We want to be an accurate reflection of what students' want," she said.

Assistant Dean of Students and OUCS adviser Karen Lloyd said at the meeting that SLLB could be a partner of OUCS at either \$10,000 or \$1,000.

Jean Ann Miller, Director of Center for Student Activities and Leadership

Development and OUCS adviser, said that this is a difficult issue because she doesn't agree with "double or triple dipping" when it comes to students' money. On the other hand, she said she also works with SLLB and understands the challenges that it faces when bringing speakers of "notoriety."

OUCS also passed three legislative bills during the spring and summer semesters. It approved a pay raise from \$7 to \$8.50 an hour for the eight members on the Executive Board. According to Tomina, the wage rate was adjusted for inflation and was necessary because the Executive Board members have not had a pay raise in four years.

OUCS also allocated \$5,000 for the maintenance of the Upper Pioneer Fields, and an additional \$4,000 was allocated for the Jimmy Fallon Welcome

Week event.

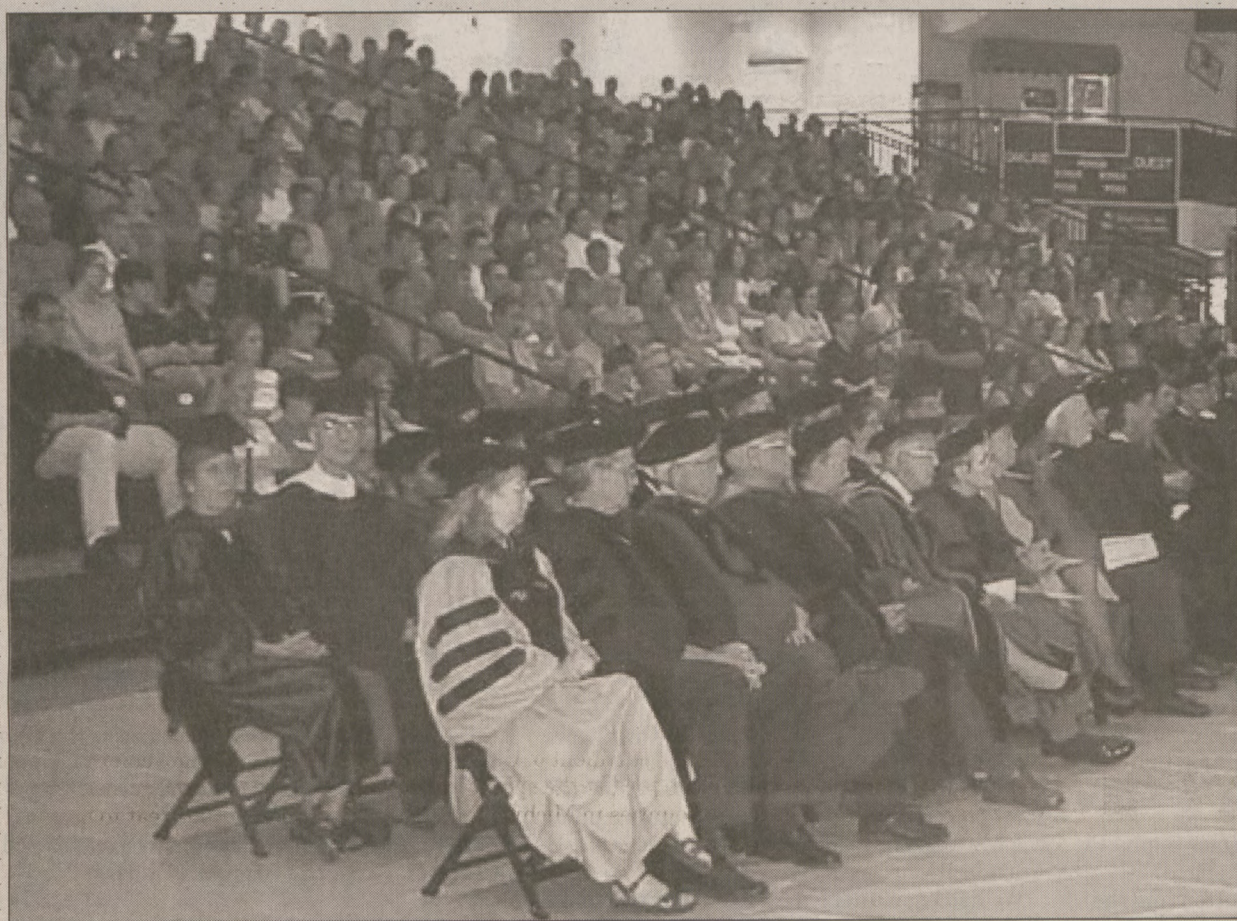
Gammicchia, who is entering the third term in his position, primarily worked on the budget during the summer.

"It's been the budget, budget, budget for me," he said. "I always err on the side of caution when I do financial planning. There are also a lot of new ideas that need financial research when there's a new administration," he said.

Vice President Michelle Jamian said she wants to encourage open attendance at OUCS's meetings on Mondays at 4 p.m. in the OC.

"I feel students should know they're invited to meetings," she said. She also added that OU President, Gary Russi said he would attend two OUCS meetings this semester.

The first day



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

The annual New Student Convocation welcomed new students and their parents to the university yesterday. Attendees listened to President Russi, Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Moudgil, Vice President for Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder and Student Body President Brian Tomina stress the importance of making connections.

Nixon to lead Honors College

By DAN AGAUAS
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The Honors College kicked off its 25th year under a new director this past summer.

Dr. Jude Nixon from the English Department replaced interim director Barry Winkler July 1 to become the third full-time director of the Honors College.

"Research and teaching are the heart of what I am," Nixon said. "I think because of those reasons I got the job. I put the two together."

Nixon, an associate professor of English at OU since 1999, previously held positions at Baylor University and Wayne State University. He is an author numerous books and essays and was honored with the 2002 OU Teaching Excellence Award.

"I know how universities are run. I have been involved in other committees and bring experience in many areas. I wear several hats at the same time."

Susan Awbrey, Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education, is confident that Nixon will do an excellent job in the position.

"Brian (Murphy) had been the head of the Honors College for 17 years and did an outstanding job in starting the Honors College dream," Awbrey said. "One reason we can go to a new level is because someone [Nixon] is committed full-time to making the vision happen."

Nixon has several ideas of how to take the Honors College to the next level.

Some students view the College as a well-kept secret nestled within Vandenberg Hall, but Nixon hopes to increase the school's presence throughout the campus and community. Nixon has targeted several areas for improvement.

The Honors College currently offers advanced undergraduate classes, but he is

looking for ways to expand by including courses in majors.

Nixon's other goals include the addition of a community service requirement to the program, improvement of relationships with potential donors, expansion of minority participation and incorporation of study abroad opportunities.

"We're hoping the advantages it (the College) brings is leadership," Nixon said. "If we give students attention, we cultivate leaders. The key is placement. We need to work to get them in top professional schools."

"The President and Provost have a vision for the Honors College to take a lead academically, and I am exploring ways in which that can happen," he said.

Awbrey believes that Nixon is a person who can both set impressive goals and make them a reality.

"Nixon was one of the only candidates for the position who had a concrete way of how to have things achieved," Awbrey said. "He thinks in a way that is not just a vision, but has strategies of how to carry things up."

Nixon anticipates his leadership to bring many improvements that will carry the College through its silver years and beyond.

"You can't be an Honors College without influencing the community in a positive way," Nixon said. "We want what we do to have a cumulative effect out there."



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Jude Nixon

New garage will alleviate parking problems

By DAN AGAUAS
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

OU will take yet another step as a growing Division I university with the addition of its first parking garage. The new structure, located on Pioneer Drive across from the new Education and Human Services Lowry Child Care Center, is projected to open by the end of October.

The three-level parking garage adds 550 spaces, and university officials expect it to quell many of OU's parking problems.

According to Rusty Postlewaite, associate vice president of Facilities Management, the structure is rapidly nearing the conclusion date set in October. The structure is now completed and the more laborious finish (windows, stairwells, roofing) and electrical (elevator, lighting) are being tackled.

"I feel there is a need for it ... Parking here is not the most well planned," said Kate Clifton, junior.

Media Relations Assistant Ann Ruppenthal said structure design and construction cost roughly \$6 million.

Senior Rachelle Beaudette said the structure would solve many parking problems but is skeptical of its placement.

"It'll help the new building [Education and Human Resources building], but I still don't think it'll reduce congestion in the front lots," Beaudette said. "I just don't think that the location is the best because people won't want to park there."

According to Ruppenthal, OU is expecting roughly 15,000 enrolled students this semester. However, with the student population projected to increase significantly over the next decade, officials admit solving every parking issue may not be a slam-dunk.

"We should be okay for the near future," Postlewaite said, referring to the past parking problems. "However, assuming enrollment will continue to grow as it has in the recent years, it is not too early to start thinking about the next parking structure."

Lynne Schaefer, vice president of Finance and Administration, agreed the structure is a welcome addition though more spaces may be required in the future.

"Since fall semester 2001, we have created, or are in the process of building, over 1,300 new parking spaces," Schaefer said. "We think that will be sufficient to allow us to meet demand for at least the near future. We will continue to closely monitor student enrollment, and will plan future parking accordingly."

Schaefer said several safety features are being developed for the garage. The parking structure will have lighting, Blue Light emergency phones, security cameras that feed directly to OUPD and bright white ceilings to further illuminate the levels.

"By making sure we have adequate parking on campus, we are providing the infrastructure that will allow OU to continue to grow and be successful," Schaefer said.



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Construction workers put the finishing touches on OU's first parking garage. The structure, located on Pioneer Drive across from the Education and Human Services Lowry Child Care Center, is scheduled to open by the end of October. The garage adds an additional 550 parking spaces.

Students surf for textbooks

BY ADAM L. NEAL
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

With a click of a mouse and a few minutes of searching, the price wars begin. Different Internet sites compare price and quality instantly and can even give Progressive auto insurance a run for its money.

These sites are not comparing airline fares, gas prices, hotel accommodations or even car rental costs the corporate world could afford for the regular price.

It is the one of the newest ways college students are buying and selling their textbooks. Many times they can find a cheaper price than the one traditional college bookstore offers.

The popularity of online textbook selling and buying appears to be on the rise from the increasing number of sites that are now selling textbooks. However, shopping is not as easy as one might think.

Students have to search for the book, make sure it is exactly the right book, and see if it can be shipped to their house before classes start.

Oren Milgram, Director of Student Affairs for



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

Online textbook shopping may be the solution for penny pinchers. Often books can be found cheaper than in campus bookstores.

www.studentmarket.com, said students are using the Internet more frequently to find their textbooks.

"The number one reason that students are using online textbook sites is to save money and time," Milgram said.

Saving money is key, but it would be hard for students to know which sites to look up for the best price.

This is where textbook search engines like www.studentmarket.com or www.bigwords.com can help. The sites act just like other search engines, but explore other sites that have the textbook and display prices and quality of the books.

These sites are becoming popular as online textbook buying increases.

Students used to shop online for textbooks with multiple web sites, but Milgram said textbook search engines took care of that problem.

The campus bookstore has a few flaws in clicking for textbooks.

"Students might find books online cheaper at first, but once you add in the tax and shipping charges, online buying is the same or even more expensive than the college bookstore," said Debbie Ogg, manager of the campus bookstore.

She said students might try it once or twice, but end up not liking it because they never really know what they are getting and sometimes are disappointed with

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• Gold has been transferred to Sudan by both the Al-Qaeda network and the Taliban militia, according to U.S., European and Pakistani investigators. According to sources, Sudan may have been chosen as a repository because Osama bin Laden and others in his network are familiar with the country and have a lot of business contacts. U.N. reports state that despite attempts to freeze Al-Qaeda assets, their financial structure remains solid.

• Between 150 and 200 Al-Qaeda members, including several senior commanders, have settled in Lebanon. They are taking refuge in a Palestinian refugee camp, according to Western and Israeli intelligence sources. An anonymous Lebanese security source denies the allegation, stating that 10 to 15 Islamic militants are hiding in the camp from authorities after killing nine Lebanese soldiers. The camp is run by various Palestinian factions and is off-limits to Lebanese authorities.

• Leading Internet search engine www.google.com has been banned in China as being subversive. Communist party leaders claim www.google.com allows access to pornography sites, content connected with the banned spiritual movement Falun Gong and information considered a potential threat to national security. The ban may limit Internet searching in China, business data analysis said.

• Weapon experts have said that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has amassed an arsenal of chemical and biological weapons, including the anthrax virus. Iraq has refused to allow arms inspectors into the country, instead inviting politicians with no technical knowledge. Without certification by inspectors that Iraq has no weapons of mass destruction, the U.N. will not lift economic sanctions.

• World Summit negotiators have resolved some of the major 'sticking points' of the 71 page environmental action plan. The document has areas of global concern including energy, clean water and sanitation issues. Environmentalists are dismayed because they see the outcome as a victory for the U.S., Saudis and Japan, which do not embrace renewable energy measures.

• As lawmakers return to Capitol Hill, the debate heats up over the jurisdiction of the newly created Department of Homeland Security. As written, critics claim the bill presently in the House of Representatives gives too much power to the executive branch of the government. President George W. Bush has threatened to veto any bill, unless it gives him broad flexibility in overseeing the security agencies that fall under the umbrella of Homeland Security.

West Nile virus buzzes around Metro Detroit

BY JO RANDAZZO
PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

Keeping 'bug-free' may be the best prevention against the mosquito-borne West Nile virus, which has been responsible for 32 deaths and hundreds of cases of infection nationwide.

In Michigan, 29 cases have been reported, with two fatalities attributed to West Nile.

West Nile is an encephalitic (brain infection) virus transmitted by birds and mosquitoes. The cycle of infection is from birds to mosquitoes, mosquitoes to birds and mosquitoes to humans. Humans cannot be infected by birds.

Tom Skinner, spokesperson for the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta, Ga., said it's not unexpected the U.S. would see this spread.

"Birds and mosquitoes are prominent players (in West Nile outbreak)," said Skinner. "Wherever they travel, that's where we have an outbreak."

Scott Walker from the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH), said it's difficult to predict the spread pattern of West Nile. Walker said of the 83 counties in Michigan, only 51 have detected West Nile, including Oakland County.

"The pattern in Michigan seems to be from south to north," said Walker. "But it seems to be randomly showing up here and there. We've got many counties in the northern lower peninsula not reporting any cases, but some counties in the upper peninsula reporting cases of West Nile."

John Gondeck, senior, resident of Rochester Hills, said he is not concerned about contracting West Nile virus.

"I haven't been bitten by a mosquito in two years, probably because I'm not worried about it," he said.

His wife, Candice, works for the Wayne County Health Department. She said there may be a lot more cases than reported, but the test for West Nile is expensive.

Candice blames a lot of the hype about the West Nile virus on media coverage.

"The media has scared a lot of people," she said.

Despite the media hype, Rhonda Smith, spokesperson for the CDC, stressed the need for clear thinking.

"Less than one percent of people bitten will become seriously ill," she said. "Dead birds in the area are just an indicator that the virus is in the area. There's no need to panic."

"Generally, it's the people who have health challenges, the elderly, the very young, people with other health issues, (who) are more susceptible to the virus. Adults in average good health are not as susceptible. At least that's what history has shown us so far."

Michelle Wortmann, junior, resident of Macomb Township, said she is not really concerned at all, not for herself.

"I'm in good health, and I'm young. It's more the elderly and the very young that could be affected," Wortmann said.

The incubation period for the virus is usually three to 15 days.

West Nile was first detected in New York City in 1999. Walker said that in the first year, there was a spike in West Nile cases. While many states, including Michigan, have seen a sharp increase in West Nile infections, New York City seems to have a decrease in the number of its infectious cases.

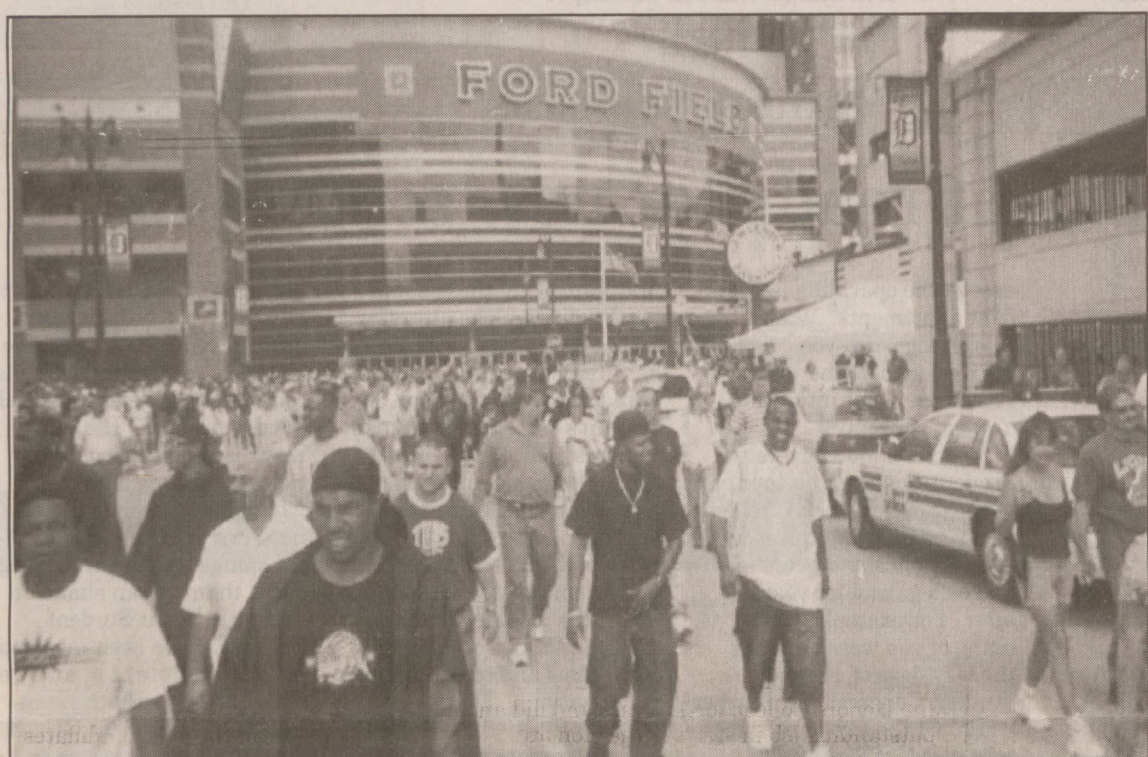
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Symptoms of West Nile

- Fever
- Headache and body aches
- Skin rash and (occasional) swollen lymph glands

Severe cases may include:

- High fever
- Stiff neck
- Stupor/disorientation
- Tremor/convulsions
- Coma
- Muscle weakness/paralysis
- Death (rare)



Adam Neal/The Oakland Post

Fans flock to Lion's new den in hope that the venue will aid in Detroit's effort to revitalize the city's pride. The domed stadium rests adjacent to the Detroit Tigers new home, Comerica Park.

Ford Field's debut

After 27 years in Pontiac, Lions go back downtown

BY LAURIE PUSCAS
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The Lions moved into their new \$500 million stadium in Detroit last month.

After playing at the Pontiac Silverdome for 27 years, the Lions have returned to Detroit.

They played their pre-season opener against the Pittsburgh Steelers at Ford Field Aug. 24 and lost.

Some are questioning whether or not this is going to be a new beginning for the Detroit Lions, and whether this move will help revitalize Detroit.

"It should have a strong impact on the Detroit community," said Charles Clark Jr., Academic Skills Center Director at OU. "People will be spending money on food before and after the game."

He thinks the move will hurt Pontiac and the surrounding area in the short term, but in the long run, it will be all right.

"The new stadium should be a confidence boost for the Lions," said Chad Merritt, freshman.

He has watched the Lions play

at the Silverdome and said he looks forward to seeing the new Ford Field.

"Watching the Lions play on Thanksgiving is a tradition," Merritt said. "We get the family together and watch the game."

Merritt added the move will definitely increase business in Detroit. He said the fans will frequent the bars and restaurants.

However everyone thinks the Lions move to Detroit will help the city.

"I don't think a lack of a sports stadium is the problem, so it won't solve the problem," said Zach Crossen, graduate student. "The stadium is just a decoration."

The Lions playing at the Silverdome did not help Pontiac, Crossen added.

The Detroit Lions were not the only attraction at the Silverdome.

"I have no interest in football," said Tricia Rhodes, junior. "I don't really understand the game."

Tricia did attend events at the Silverdome such as truck rallies, motor cross and indoor carnivals.

She will likely attend events at Ford Field as well, she said.

The first official entertainment event scheduled for Ford Field is "Impact," a variety show benefiting The Children's Center in Detroit. Gladys Knight will be performing as well as a number of Broadway entertainers.

The Rolling Stones, scheduled for Oct. 12, will be the first major concert at Ford Field. Tickets are still available at Ticketmaster starting at \$50.

There will be 1,000 tickets going on sale for each of the Detroit Lions regular season home games beginning Sept. 7.

Parking is available in the facilities adjacent to Ford Field three hours prior to kickoff, however tailgating is prohibited in the lots.

Tailgating is permitted in the Eastern Market area, which is northeast of downtown and about a 10 minute walk from Ford Field. The cost for parking in this area is \$30.

The 65,000 seats at Ford Field are supposed to be more comfortable and have more leg room

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Cigarette tax hits OU community pocketbooks

BY JO RANDAZZO
PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

Cigarette smokers are forced to dig deeper in their pockets for a pack of cigarettes since a 50-cents-per-pack tax increase took effect Aug. 1.

The tax spares a number of programs from cuts, including grants for local food banks, fire protection, school readiness, adult education and arts.

The price boost hasn't been a deterrent to many smokers, though.

"I haven't stopped smoking. I've considered stopping smoking at different times, but not when the tax went up," said Lynn McDonald, junior.

"My life sucks way too bad to give up an

addiction," McDonald added. "Thank God I don't drink."

Adam Fayli, general manager of Smart Buy stores in Dearborn and Warren, said cigarette sales dropped 40 percent after the price increase took effect.

Fayli, whose stores carry a large tobacco inventory, said, "The first three weeks of August, we were dead. But we're coming back up."

He attributes the recent resurgence of cigarette sales to promotional rebates offered by the tobacco companies, which are giving up to \$10 off a carton of cigarettes.

Fayli also said the sale of "roll your own," loose tobacco and rolling machines has gone up.

Caryn Kurzatowski, supervisor at F & M Distributors in Warren, tells a different story.

Kurzatowski said cigarette sales have not dropped at all at the retail outlet.

"I'm still ordering the same amount I've always ordered," Kurzatowski said.

She also said there has been no increase in the sales of smoking cessation products such as Nicorette.

Cheryl Seta, junior, is also a pharmacy technician at F & M. She agreed with Kurzatowski's assessment.

"It doesn't seem to have affected anybody," Seta said. "I don't know anybody that quit smoking. We haven't seen a

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Cigarette tax has been raised 50 cents, burning holes in some pocketbooks.

Global goof

• The mayor of Le Lavandou, France has banned the citizens from dying because there is no place to bury them. After courts rejected his plans for a new cemetery, Mayor Gil Bernardi struck back by issuing the ban. The ban happened because a homeless man died and Mayor Bernardi could not find a final resting place for him. He said most locals had obeyed the edict.

-Compiled By Jo Randazzo
Production Assistant

Sources found in various news stories

Editorial

Involvement keeps spirit alive

Welcome back OU. There have been changes made on campus over the summer months, but you'll still recognize the place.

A parking structure surfaced, but students will probably still fight for the North and South Foundation parking spots until October when it opens. There are less geese but more dogs fending them off. The food service has changed from Aramark to Chartwells, but prices are still high. There is a 500-person increase in the housing capacity but only about 125 more student residents. There is a new School of Education and Human Services building, but office space is still cramped in other places.

Yes, there's been a facelift, but life at OU carries on the way we're used to. Material changes are not what are going to make a change at this university though they will be very helpful. It's time for a spirit uplift also.

OU students, faculty, staff and administration are this university. We all have a responsibility to ourselves and to each other to keep the campus spirit alive despite the restraints we face as a commuter school.

We invest so much time and money into taking classes. It's important that we walk away with more than just over-priced books and academics.

Let's not use the commuter school argument anymore. Anyone who wants to invest and get involved can take initiative. There are a number of opportunities available to students.

The Oakland Post is the only student-run publication on campus. And that's a responsibility the staff here takes seriously.

Without the Post there's a lot students might not know about, for example: An update on former OU athletes, an insider's look at the upcoming Meadow Brook art exhibition, the pros and cons of buying textbooks online, an introduction to OUPD's new police chief and the wasting of funds at the golf course.

Without the presence of the Post on campus there is no doubt that students would be uninformed about events and issues.

Freedom of the press is something the Post staff takes seriously. Journalism is the only career safeguarded by the U.S. Constitution. On a national scale, the media is the watchdog or the fourth check and balance for the Executive, Judicial and Legislative branches of the U.S. Government.

On a smaller scale the same rings true for OU. The Post is the way we, as students, hold administration, faculty, staff and student organizations such as Student Congress, accountable.

And in turn we hope our fellow students hold us accountable for the content and quality of our reporting.

The Post promises to stick to the Society of Professional Journalists' ethics code. We will seek out the truth for you and report it accurately. We will be objective and give as many viewpoints on an issue as possible. We will minimize any potential harm to the people we write about in our stories.

This is your life. Whether you're here for one semester, a four or five-year college career or are a perpetual student, it is vital that you are aware and informed of what is going on around you. If you don't have time to be a full-fledged member of a campus organization maybe you could set aside time for the occasional sports game or a special speaker lecture.

But, at the very least, be educated about the OU bubble you live in for at least part of your life. Find out how your tuition dollars are being spent. Learn about the people who make decisions on your behalf every day. Get informed, read the Post or come and contribute. Our door is always open.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am very disturbed to see the powers that be at OU are seemingly trying to hide the truth from the public. I read the Post story about the new golf course and its possible financial problems and couldn't believe what was in print. The university is refusing to explain more than \$85,000 in "other" costs. Where did that money go? Did it line somebody's pockets? I don't know and nobody in the administration seems willing to tell us.

Then the university charges the school paper a lot of money for public records that were incomplete. Why does it always seem OU officials are keeping something from the public? As for the OU Foundation, they can hide under the "private company" excuse, but if they had nothing to hide, then they should come out and explain the expenses for the reception to take the pressure off the university. Why were there three receptions to accommodate less than 300 people? They could have held the party nearly anywhere on campus to handle that many people at one time.

As an OU Alumni, I will never donate

one nickel to the school until changes its closed door policy on information. I have no faith in the administration to make themselves accountable for what they spend. The new golf course was supposed to be a money machine for the school, and there was nothing wrong with building it. But, if it is not living up to expectations, then the administration should be forthcoming with that information and move ahead with a plan to fix the problem.

When OU changed its nickname from Pioneers to Golden Grizzlies, officials claimed OU merchandise would be on store shelves next to U-M and MSU products. That never happened. Other than on the OU campus, I haven't seen one store that stocks OU merchandise. Has the university ever released any merchandise sales numbers? I don't know. Maybe the Post should get that information as well (or try to get it).

OU will never change its tight grip on information unless it comes from the top, and that won't happen while Gary Russi is in charge. While he has helped increase the notoriety of the university

and the school has shown some good progress under his reign, he remains a faceless leader.

I have a suggestion for President Russi: Take a walk in the OC and ask people if they can identify you. I would be willing to bet more than 90 percent of the students won't recognize you or even know the name of the president. I think that's a problem. Don't you?

Joe Gray
Class of 2000
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FEATURED COLUMNISTS

President ready for new school year



BRIAN TOMINA

Student Body President

Welcome home! If you're anything like myself, you are absolutely enthralled to be back in the "thick" of it. All around, things are happening around campus. New buildings overshadow improvements to existing buildings, and new buildings are being facilitated with new parking garages. And the real lucky few are at last beginning to settle into what we at Student Congress consider our best

assets: the sparkling new student apartments. With all this change, can you count on your voice to be there and represent your best interests? You bet you can!

Your Oakland University Student Congress has our ear to the ground and we are dedicated to ensuring the success of our friends and peers in and college and for years after. For example, while many of you were enjoying the lazy days of summer, Student Congress was hard at work. Of the two most important pieces of legislation passed, one highlights many issues we are currently facing: Growing pains! Without Michelle I would be lost; and

Michelle, being the consummate politician she always will be, decided to bring one of her dreams to reality. Along with the help of the dean of student's office, we at Student Congress office have brought the upper fields under the jurisdiction of Campus Recreation and these fields will now be retained—first and foremost—for student use. This includes practice areas and times-outdoors-for club teams and other student organizations. This is just the beginning.

As you enter the Oakland Center, be prepared, things are moving and shaking. OU's new food provider is ready to go with nationwide

brand names like Chic Fillet and Subway. Make now qualms about it, the OC, the heart and soul of our campus community, is getting a much-needed face-lift. The temporary discomfort of construction will be long forgotten when the OC provides a 24 hour computer lab, a full coffee lounge and more meeting space than we can shake at stick at! We at Student Congress have been involved in every minute of it, and we will continue with the standard of excellence at OU. If you have any questions or comments, you can call me directly at (248) 370-4292 or email your fearless leader at bctomina@Oakland.edu.

Life lessons come with time



BARBARA SHEA POTE

columnist

If I knew then what I know now, I would have dressed slinkier. My husband said he is all for that and asked why didn't I, back then? I'm not really a slinky kind of person, but I had the body for it then, and I shouldn't have wasted the opportunity.

If I knew then what I know now, I would have saved my bell-bottoms, peasant blouses,

platform sandals and choker necklaces. I'd like to say I was going to pass them along to my daughters but heck, I'd be selling them on eBay as genuine "antiques".

If I knew then what I know now, I would have finished college because it's a lot easier to do it from a dorm room, with a cafeteria, clinic, library, game room and all the other essential support devices nearby. My challenge now is trying to fit in my school work around my daughters, my husband, the dog and bird, the house and yard, my taxi service and all the other things that pull at me.

If I knew then what I know now, I would have eaten better food and exercised more. In fact, I'd have been a fanatic about it all because then I could ease back to my current level of laziness with a clear conscience and strong body.

If I knew then what I know now, I would have invested in Microsoft because... well you know the 'because', I'd be living on my own private island paying people to keep me thin and strong.

Einstein thought time was like a river and that you could travel forward and backward on the river. That sounds great and all of us have want-

ed to go back in time to change something we've done or do something we chickened out of doing. As much as I would like the chance to change things, to finish college when I was younger and bouncier, I'm afraid that going back on the river of time would change the going forward part. I have three wonderful children, a great husband, a nice house and a good life, I don't want to risk any of that. So I'll just have to finish my senior year the old fashioned way, in the here and now.

Point/Counter Point

Is it acceptable to racially profile passengers at airports Sept. 11?

Yes

By GAYLE ISSA
MANAGING EDITOR

It is justifiable to use racial profiling tactics.

I think it is unlikely that there will be any terrorist attack on the one-year mark but that doesn't change the fact that extra precautions should be taken. While it's sad that we have reached the point where racial profiling is being contemplated, it doesn't compare to the sadness surrounding Sept. 11. A new day has come, and for the time being, racial profiling is one of the only safety precautions we have left.

As an international student of Middle Eastern descent, I feel safer when there are profile-based checks made before boarding planes.

Last August, I flew from Amsterdam to Detroit. Before boarding, I was interrogated for 20 minutes about my reasons for going to the U.S., my Arabic last name and my recent visit to Scotland. I asked the immigration officer about the questioning and he reminded me of Pan Am flight 103 that was hijacked by

Libyan terrorists and crashed in Scotland in 1988 killing 270 people. He said he was required to question anyone who has American, Arab and Scottish ties. I remember the relief I felt because of his thorough job.

Maybe Sept. 11 wouldn't have happened if similar measures had been taken. Since terrorist activity can, in large part, be attributed to Muslim male extremists, I think it's unquestionably reasonable to cross check men who look obviously Muslim or Arab to ensure visas are still valid and the like.

Note that this is not the first time that Muslims have attacked Americans. In fact last year was not the first time the World Trade Center was bombed. That happened in 1993. Also note the bombing by male Muslims of the U.S. Embassy in Iran in 1979 and the like in Kenya and Tanzania in 1998.

Maybe I'm being too harsh. But I am not the one advocating Americans taking dangerous risks. Instead I'm the one arguing for our American reality.

No

By RANDY DUDEK
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Yes, the people directly responsible for the tragedy that rocked America last Sept. 11 were all of Arabic descent.

Yes, they felt they were doing so to serve their Islamic political motives.

Yes, I have found myself acting more cautiously around Arabs in the past year.

No, that doesn't make profiling right. Singling out people who appear to be Arabic would be the biggest mistake America could make. Innocent people would be harassed by untrained airport security who have already proven to be inept.

Who is to decide who needs to be screened? Chaldeans aren't Muslims, but they do look like most Arabs.

If a white American were to convert to Islam would they also be subject to the extra scrutiny? Many African Americans are Muslim. Do black people need any extra racial profiling in their lives?

Even while we were all in shock at the destruction of the WTC, all of the

catchy TV soundbites were of politicians telling us that if we let the terrorists change American lifestyle, then they had "won." Keeping America's ideals of freedom intact was paramount.

This country was founded on the concepts of making sure that people are not judges on the basis of the country from which they came or what religion they believe in.

If we were to prescribe to this racial profiling theory all people of Japanese descent should be sent to internment camps every Dec. 7 to commemorate Pearl Harbor.

White males should be prohibited from parking near federal buildings, lest some militant ex-soldier decide to blow it up as happened in Oklahoma City.

Christians should be given extensive background checks before being admitted to hospitals for life-threatening conditions just to make sure they don't plan on killing any abortion doctors while they are there.

Yes, I'm being ridiculous, but I'm not the one suggesting that we start profiling people who just want to board a plane. Instead, I'm the one arguing for our American ideals.

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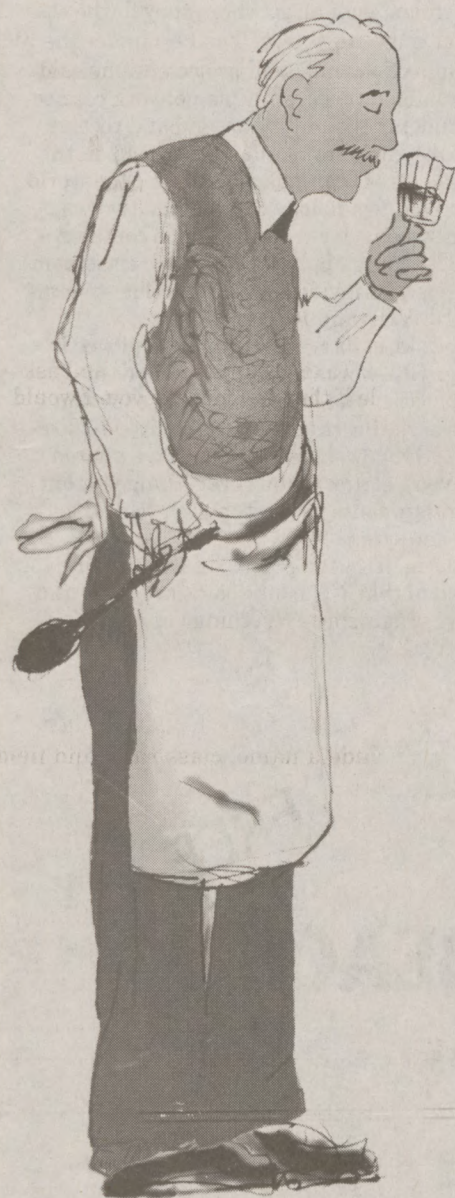
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doesn't rhyme, I would put them in the same category with people who would say if you're not waltzing, it's not called dancing. It's just an old-fashioned idea."

He said he's looking forward to his reading at OU, but doesn't have much of an image of the school. When told OU's mascot was formerly the Pioneer, but is now the Grizzly, Collins joked, "Pioneers. I guess that's not ferocious enough. It's better than the 'seamstresses.' Go, Grizzlies."

FOOD

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believes students will like the new concepts. "We've had the opportunity to look at other operations, and they were very well received concepts," she said. "I think with the variation there will be something for every taste on campus."

Students living on campus will also see changes in Vandenburg Cafeteria. Eleanor Reynolds, director of University Housing and Food Services, said the food is primarily the same and includes pasta, stir-fry, salad, sandwiches, beverages and desserts. The biggest change for residents are the

The OU reading is free and open to the public. A book signing and reception will follow. The event is sponsored and organized by the Department of English with support from the College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Program Fund and the Office of Academic Affairs, with cooperation from the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance.

As a preview to the event, professors from the English Department will offer a presentation called "Reading Billy Collins" at 4 p.m., Sep. 9 in the Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

For more information on either event, call the Department of English at (248) 370-2250.

hours of the cafeteria. The hours have been extended from 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on week-nights. The cafeteria is now open on the weekends from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Beer Lake Yacht Club, which should open at the beginning of October, will be different as well. Reynolds said Beer Lake will feature more food items, including coffee and pizza. She said it will still have the convenience store feel but, with the addition of couches and chairs, it will have a more comfortable atmosphere.

Andrew Willows, Chartwells resident district manager, said the new concepts are tailored to the expectations of the OU community.

"We are looking forward to a lot of success at OU," he said.

COURSE

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made up and they weren't gonna listen to no students, no environmental concerns. Somebody somewhere pushed for that course and was bound and determined to do it that way."

Financially, audit reports in the Kresge Library show that Sharf and Katke-Cousins, spent \$137,164 more than they took in to end the June 2000 fiscal year. External 2001 audit figures also show the courses in the hole, spending \$95,153 more than revenues.

The losses are in addition to the costs of three gala grand opening receptions hosted by the Oakland University Foundation (OUF) that sources say totaled more than \$100,000.

According to Susan Davies Goepf, OUF Executive Director and Vice President of University Relations, the Foundation's primary responsibility is the management of philanthropic gifts to the university. OUF was key in financing Sharf construction, but doesn't solely handle golf course funding or gifts.

Despite the fact that the course is running in the

red, Schaefer said the General Fund is not being used to support any portion of course operations and feels OU received an "outstanding" return on its golf course investment.

"The President's Club (OUF's gift society) has been able to attract well over \$30 million in gifts to support the university's academic and other programs and has developed very beneficial friendships with community members who first come to us through their membership in the President's Club and their interest in golf," Schaefer said.

"This will result in long term positive financial support for the university, helping us to maintain a measure of quality over and above that provided by state support and tuition income," she said.

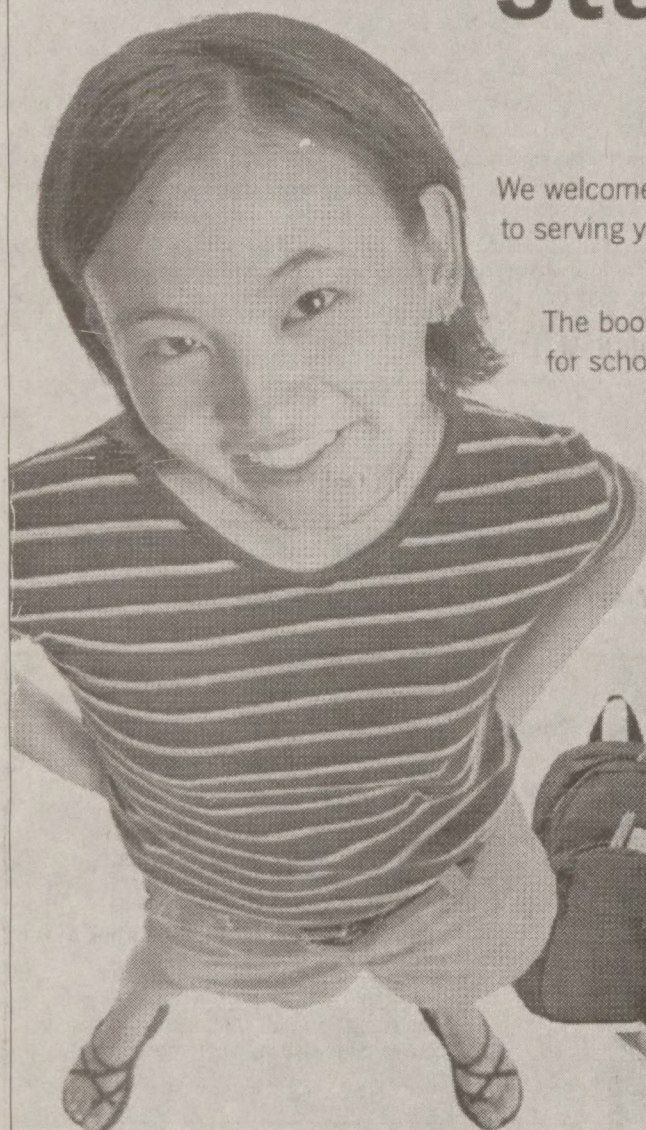
Gamboa disagreed.

"I believe that the construction of the second golf course was a poor academic decision and poor business decision," Gamboa said. "The possibility that Oakland destroyed/impacted several hundred acres of natural habitat for a non-academic venture that may be losing money should be extremely disturbing to the students and staff of Oakland University."

Editor In Chief Ann Zaniewski and Campus News Editor Rebecca Wyatt contributed to this article.

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and lifetime member (from undergraduate days at the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va.) said, "I believe last year's attendance was something over 1,400."

Zurawsky said the general partying stereotype of fraternities is based on ignorance. He explained that Sigma Pi was founded on the values of culture, service, scholarship and chivalry.

"People unjustly characterize all fraternities as 'partying frats,'" Zurawsky said. "This could not be further from the truth. Sigma Pi participates in charitable events, Greek Week, fundraisers and numerous endeavors that are atypical of people who just party constantly."

Grant said the fact that the pig roast is alcohol-free is critical to

its success.

"There is a time and a place for alcohol, and the pig roast is an example of where it makes sense to stay alcohol-free," Grant said. "Keeping the pig roast alcohol free demonstrates that it is completely possible to have a dry event and still have a good time. Our repeated high attendance proves it."

Sigma Pi is the largest OU Greek organization. Scott said the Greek experience provides students the chance to build new friendships, enjoy activities, build leadership skills and create a potential job network.

"In general," he said, "they become more closely connected with the university from which they will be graduating and hopefully, with which they will thereafter also maintain a long relationship."

GEESE

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Villarreal said. "If the dogs are coming in your direction just stand still for a second. They will pass."

According to Villarreal, the dogs are trained on sheep all year and are used to a high level of activity. They work using hand, voice and whistle commands.

"Since the dogs were already trained on sheep it took some additional training to transfer it from the sheep to the geese but not as much as it would have taken from the ground up," Villarreal said.

Gooseworks started three years ago as the first business in Michigan to perform this type of service.

"The DNR (Department of Natural Resources) approached us. They were familiar with Wendy as the president of the Michigan Border Collie Society. They were familiar with that and using these dogs, so they approached us and asked us if we would be inter-

ested in using our dogs to provide a service to people," Mehlhaff said.

According to Mehlhaff, there is a lot of work involved in running Gooseworks.

"We've had to show the DNR that our dogs are under 100 percent control. We've had to obtain a permit to use the dogs for this. We've had to obtain a permit to do egg and nest destruction or egg and nest removal. We've had another permit issued to us for nuisance goose removal," said Mehlhaff. "I think we have four or five different permits that we have had to demonstrate that the dogs are actually safe and sound."

Right now Gooseworks is contracted to work through the fall semester for about \$4,600, however, it may be required to continue in the spring. The company also bidding the golf course to do geese control there as well.

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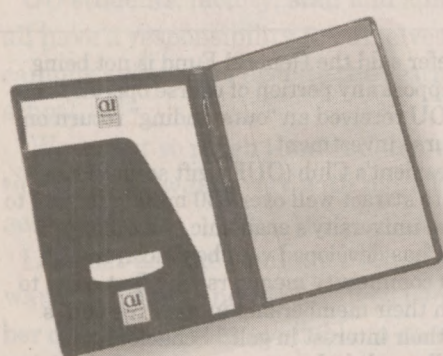
with 'smart classroom technology' where they'll (the students) have tablet computers as well as PCs under the desk, internet connections and wall projectors," he said.

McEneaney explained these 'multiple network connections' will give students the ability to send and receive analog and digital signals from other classrooms in the building as well as across campus and around the world. The 'smart classroom technology' will include two-way interactive video systems for real-time video conferencing and distance learning applications. Each classroom will also be equipped with video/data projection systems which include VHS/VCR and DVD capability.

Karessa Spudowski, senior, is a student employee in the new building. She works in the department of Curriculum Instruction and Leadership and said that her main duty is assisting professors. Required to do a lot of paper work, Spudowski is happy to have a large work area. "I haven't gotten to tour everything yet, but the new rooms for students to work in are great. I get my own space," she said.

Having been through a good portion of the building Spudowski also said that, "The lab rooms are huge and the professors are organizing everything very well."

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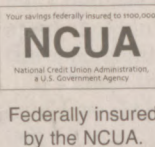
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- Detroit Tigers vs New York Yankees - September 20
- Meadow Brook Fall Ball - October 18 (Tickets available starting September 11)

Oakland University Remembers September 11

Tuesday, September 10

- **OUSC Voter Registration Drive** (Also on September 11)
10:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Outdoors, Between North and South Foundation Halls and the Oakland Center
- **"The Year In Retrospect"**
A panel discussion reviewing the events and emotions of the past year. The panel will include: Pete Trumbore, International Relations; Jane Briggs-Bunting, Journalism; and OU faculty from History, Sociology, and Business Administration.
Noon - 1:00 p.m., Heritage Room, OC

Wednesday, September 11

- **"Taps"** performed on the steps of Kresge Library at 8:50 a.m.
- **9-11 Remembrance**
The Oakland University community is invited to a remembrance program to reflect on the past year and honor those who died and survived, their rescuers, and the military who protect our freedom.
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Noon - 1:00 p.m., Gold Rooms, OC

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• Start of school got you down? Get in on the laughter as SPB sponsors Jimmy Fallon for a comedy show-down at 7 p.m. on Friday, in the Vandenberg Hall Cafeteria.

• Come unwrap age-old secrets as SPB sponsors the presentation of "The Mummy Returns" at dusk on Friday, Sept. 7 on the north side of O'Dowd Hall.

• Meadow Brook Art Gallery presents the kick off to its 2002-2003 season on Saturday with the "Minimal" exhibition. The show will run through Oct. 7.

• Attention female hockey players! OU women's hockey club starts practice at 10:30 p.m. Sept. 17. All skill levels are welcomed. Contact the coach at sosler@campell-ewald.com for more information.

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CONCERTS

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• Saddle Creek recording artist Bright Eyes (aka Conor Oberst) will be bringing his unique brand of folk to Detroit at 8 p.m. Sat. Sept. 14 at St. Andrew's Hall.

• Liverpooldian rockers Clinic will be making their way to Detroit at 7 p.m. Mon. Oct. 7 at St. Andrew's Hall. Openers will be South and the Standard. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster.

• Mark you calendars. World-renowned Ninja Tune recording artist Amon Tobin is coming to Detroit. He will be appearing at 8 p.m. on Thur. Oct. 17 at St. Andrew's Hall. Opening will be Bonobo. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster.

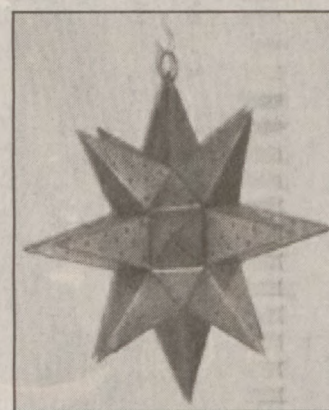
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• For those who fancy themselves fans of fine art, check out the Spotlights Art Show Sept. 6-8 at Fourth and Walnut in downtown Rochester. The show is sponsored by the Meadow Brook Theatre Guild to benefit Meadow Brook Theatre. For more information please call (248) 641-7608.

THE LYRIC OF THE WEEK

*"Oh I don't want a thing from you,
Bet you're tired of me waiting for -the scraps to fall off of your table to the ground.
La da da da...
Cause I just wanna be here now"*

*~Breathing
Jason Wade
Lifeshouse frontman*



Decorating with Style

BY RACHEL RYBICKI
LIFE EDITOR

Space restraints and tight budgets can make decorating a dorm room or an off campus apartment challenging, (even though the new campus apartments are fully furnished.)

Kristine Klienman, freshman, Hamlin Hall resident said space proved to be a problem she faced when decorating.

"The most challenging part was trying to decorate while still finding a place to put everything," Klienman said. "It's tough to add decorations when there is just not enough room."

Some of the area's interior decorators have come to the rescue and offered their advice for a creative, fun and wallet friendly way for students to keep up with design trends while staying within university regulations and under a \$150-\$200 budget.

"I spent around \$200 on things for my dorm. My roommate and I have found that lofts seem to open up the room a lot, and give much more space," Klienman said. "However, as far as character, pictures and frames are number one."

For Laura Grieco, freshman, space was the restraint.

"If I could, I'd loft my bed because it would give us more space," she said. "But we are fairly comfortable as we are, and we've got a recliner and a butterfly chair in the room with our beds bunked instead."

Sharon Lee Samyn, interior designer and president of Creative Beginnings Design Service Inc. in Dryden suggested checking residence hall rules before beginning to design.

"It's important to know what you have to work with before you begin working," said Samyn, who has been in the business since 1978. "While painting is a great way to brighten and open up a room, not all schools allow the rooms to be painted. If that is the case, painting an end table or a desk is a great way to bring personality to a room and give it a new feel that is tailored to the person's taste."

Samyn also suggested going to a local store and finding a \$4-\$5 "mistint" when painting because it can cost up to \$25 per gallon.

"Mistints are the ones that are colored wrong accidentally by the mixing machine," she said, "but I'll tell you there are some really good colors if you look."

Kristen Lengjel, assistant manager of Pier 1 Imports in downtown Rochester, agreed with Samyn, but said lighting is just as important.

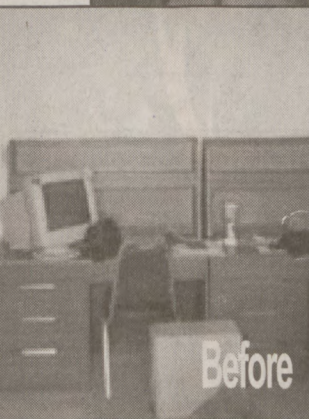
"Lighting can make a big difference in the feeling of a room," she said. "Personal touch will bring any room to life and allow it to take on its own personality. Soft lighting seems to be in now too and that isn't hard or expensive to achieve."

For soft lighting, Lengjel suggests a hanging metal or paper lantern.

"The light is just softer when it shines through the paper, or through the holes in a metal lantern," she said. "It is subtle and classy but trendy and beautiful at the same time."

Sherwin-Williams manager, Ken Kuntz said lighting is only as good as the colors in a room.

"Colors can really make or break a room. Choose cool colors like soft greens and blues because they are relaxing," he said. "Try to stay away from the yellows and



Some students find space and money an issue when moving into the dorms, but Laura Grieco made the most of her space and bunked her beds and added a few personal touches from home. Pier 1 Imports and Target also offer discounts to students with their ID during September.

reds that are becoming popular because not only are they hard to paint over, they are also hard to tolerate in a small living space and make the rooms look smaller."

Kuntz, who manages the Bloomfield Hills store, said painting lofts is a great way to add "that something extra to the room without violating any rules of the school or building."

"When painting lofts be sure to prime them because they are wood and that will soak up the paint," he said.

Kuntz also said latex paint is best for painting lofts and using "earthy colors that are cool toned or taupe" will suit students well. For a more dramatic and clean look, he suggested white trim on the lofts.

"Make sure to 'think simple' not cluttered," Kuntz said.

Many of the designers said one of the big trends is simplicity.

"The more simple the better," Samyn said. "A cluttered space is not conducive to studying nor is it fit for relaxing or hanging out with friends. Try adding some flowers to a room to make it more calming after a long day at class."

Samyn also recommends window treatments that let light in, not shut light out.

"Five yards of fabric is fairly cheap and it goes a long way when draped over a rod and down the side of a dorm or apartment window," she said. "The cooler colors will allow light to reflect off the fabric and add

a whimsical, serene feeling to any room."

Papasan chairs are also a trend in dorm furniture.

"These chairs are big and roomy and so comfortable," said Lengjel. "Papasan's are really a good way to go. All of the college students love them because they are great to relax in and to study for an exam in."

Area rugs to put under the papasan and throw pillows are inexpensive and can add splashes of color to a room without making it overbearing for the eyes.

"Adding a few pillows that (students) can make or that are from a store like Target can really liven up a room with dull colors," Samyn said. "Even a rug put next to the bed can take the chill out of cold floors in the morning and is just as functional as it is decorative."

More than anything Samyn stressed that students need to have a good imagination while decorating.

"People need to let go of their fears of decorating and allow it to be a fun thing," she said. "If (students) don't feel they are creative, ask a friend to help but remember to let the personality of a room come to life, don't force it and you will be amazed at what you can do."

Many area stores like Target and Pier 1 also offer a 15-20 percent discount to students with their school ID card.

University housing rules

• All university furniture must remain in designated area unless authorization is obtained. Violation of this rule will result in a \$25 fine.

• Lofts are permitted in rooms but need to fill regulations must be registered with the housing office.

• The housing department will provide paint for dorm rooms free of charge upon request but will only use paint supplied by the university. Paint is only available during the first four weeks of the fall and winter semesters and must be completed within three weeks.

• Murals and writing on walls is prohibited along with contact paper, markers, crayons or any type to spray paint.

• Candles are permitted in the new student apartments, but not permitted to be burned in the residence halls.

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TEXTBOOKS

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the result.

"I think students like to physically touch the books they are buying," Ogg said.

Campus bookstores do not seem to be taking a loss with the advent of online textbook buying, said Ogg. She said there has not been a significant decrease in sales.

She said all campus bookstores took a hit about two years ago when online book buying was new, but she said the popularity of online buying has calmed down and gone back to normal.

Paul Malick, junior, said he loves the idea of online textbook shopping.

"Shipping and handling is usually free, and I love the convenience," he said. "There are never any crowds to fight through or lines to wait in. I can usually find the books a lot cheaper than the bookstore."

Malick has sold his used textbooks to online companies who are willing to buy them.

He puts a price on the book he wants to sell. If any company wants to buy it from him, the company sends him an email and extra money to ship it to them.

"It is a very easy process, and I have never had any problems," Malick said. He uses multiple web-

sites to do business.

In the event that a company doesn't want to buy it, he puts the book for sale on an auction site such as www.amazon.com or www.half.com to let Internet users see his price and possibly buy it from him direct.

Malick also uses this method if companies will not buy his book.

Ben Jorian, freshman, disagrees with Malick.

"I do not like the idea of Internet purchasing," he said. "The whole thing doesn't seem very secure. I would not buy my textbooks online."

Jorian said many students probably do not know how it works and that Internet buying seems too new to work out better for the students.

"I am just not sure how safe it is, and there are probably other students who feel the same way," Jorian said. "I like one-on-one interaction. It's what most students prefer."

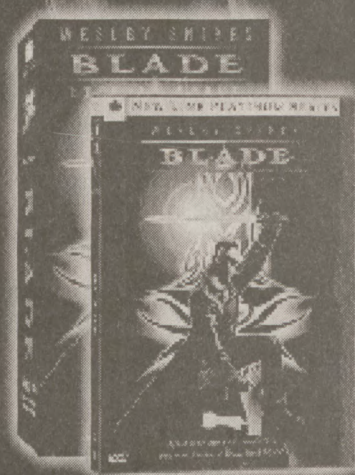
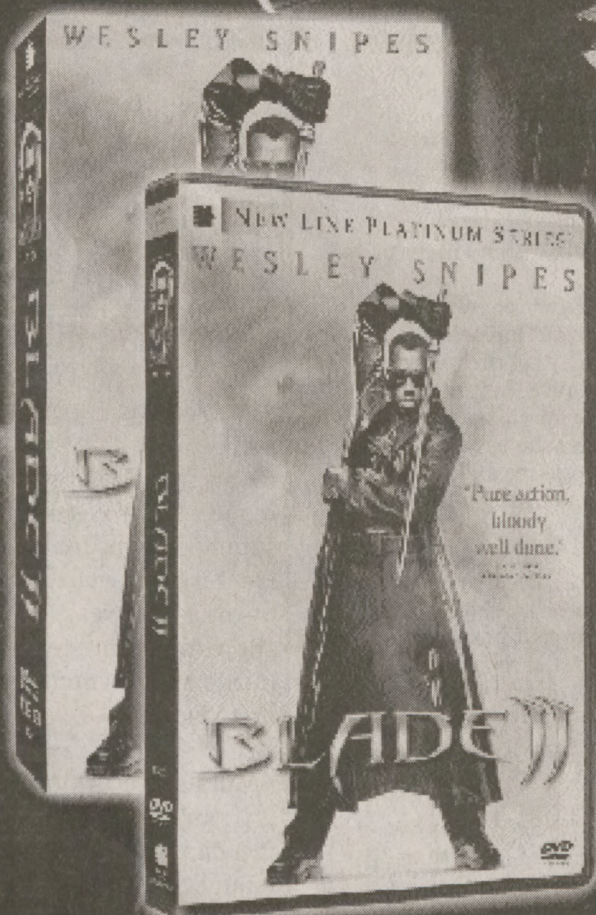
Jorian said he likes that some of the money the campus bookstore makes goes right back into the university unlike any online site.

Students are still shopping online. Online textbook sites are just offering another way for students to possibly save some money.

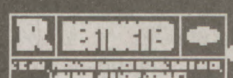
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WEST NILE

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"We may see that kind of curve here," he said.

Since 1999, West Nile has spread to other east coast states, as well as travelling south to states such as Georgia, Florida, Mississippi and Louisiana. It has recently been detected in most of the U.S., with the exception of the western states. Human cases have also been reported in Ontario, Canada.

Skinner said he expects to see some activity out west, but he doesn't know when that might be.

"We expect to see a lot more cases before this is over," he said.

Walker suspects that the introduction of West Nile, not native to the U.S., came with global trading.

"It's not too difficult to assume with the amount of international commerce that happens that something may have hitched a ride," he said.

One of the factors that may have promoted the rapid spread of the disease is the unusually warm and wet summer in Michigan this year.

"Climate is a factor," said Smith. "Scientists have said that

the early onset of warm weather in the south and east coast states contributed to the appearance of the West Nile virus."

Walker said he sees a drop in cases once the cold weather sets in.

"Most mosquitoes will be killed by the first good stiff frost," he said.

But until then, Walker urges caution.

"Protect yourself from mosquito bites," he said. "Get rid of standing water in your yard. Follow the CDC and MDCH guidelines."

Some of the CDC and MDCH guidelines for prevention of mosquito bites are using insect repellent (using caution with young children), minimize activities where mosquitoes are present (such as shaded, swampy areas), and wearing long sleeved shirts and long pants outdoors.

Other guidelines are maintaining window screens to keep mosquitoes out of buildings, minimize activities during dusk and dawn (peak mosquito times) and elimination of standing water in covered pools, clogged gutters, discarded tires or flowerpots.

FIELD

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than the 80,000 seats at the Silverdome. There are 8,700 padded club seats that are 21 inches wide. The 54,000 general seats are 19 inches wide.

The site www.fieldturf.com claims the new Field Turf will provide a softer landing surface for the players, compared to other synthetic surfaces used for football games.

Its web site described the Field Turf being made of hybrid fibers that are woven into a mesh mat. They are supported by a mixture of sand and finely ground rubber.

The new turf is expected to last 8-12 years. It will need an occa-

sional brushing to keep it fresh.

The design of Ford Field incorporated the use of an old Detroit landmark. The old Hudson's Warehouse, built in 1920, houses most of the luxury suites, press boxes, food courts and banquet facilities.

Most of the food court and shopping area is not leased. However, inside the stadium there are 95 concession stands offering choices from burgers and beer to frozen yogurt.

There are also 105 public rest rooms at Ford Field, 61 more than the Silverdome.

TAX

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surge in purchases of Nicorette in the pharmacy."

Fayli, saw in the last 10 days of July an increased sales due to customers buying multiple cartons of cigarettes before the tax went into effect he said, "If you're going to smoke, you're going to smoke."

"People want to decide when they're going to quit smoking," Fayli said. "They don't want someone to decide for them."

The 50 cents increase will do some good for Michigan. The new tax has been earmarked as fol-

lows (dollar amounts are approximate):

- 3 cents - (\$17 million annually) - Healthy Michigan Fund
- 20.2 cents - (\$105 million annually) - School Aid Fund
- 22.3 cents - (\$140 million annually) - state supported programs
- 3.76 cents - (\$2.47 million annually) - invested in Medicaid Benefits Trust Fund
- 94 cent - (\$6 million annually) - indigent care funding in Wayne County.

EXHIBIT

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Japanese-inspired poetry-writing contest open to the public to further the people and art connection. Contestants are asked to compose a "Kawaii" (Japanese for cute) and fun poem commenting on any four zones of the exhibition. Submissions are due Sept. 21 at the Meadow Brook Art Gallery reception desk. The winner will receive a T-shirt and signed poster by Snadden.

Additional posters, T-shirts and a product range style catalog will be available in the gallery during exhibition hours.

The Sounds of Summer

By Patrick Labadie
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

Summer is rapidly coming to a close, but before it ends we would like to pay it one last tribute by compiling a list of the best summertime records in order to help brighten your first semester back. We hope this list will bring you many rays of sunshine.

Beach Boys - Pet Sounds
This is an obvious, but necessary choice. The greatest summertime record, from the quintessential summertime group. Heartache never sounded so sweet. In a word: sublime.

Polyphonic Spree - The Beginning Stages of...
Beautifully executed, densely arranged orchestral pop (a la Brian Wilson) backed by a 20-person choir, this record is a beam of sunshine from start to finish. The horns soar, cymbals crash majestically, the strings are operatic. Better than Prozac.

Dabrye - One/Three
Electronic music of the highest order. Playful fuzzed out basslines, pseudo saxophone and Moog melodies combine to make beautiful beats. Perfect driving music. Attention motorists: please play this instead of jiggly rap on your car stereo.

Human League - Fascination
The title track represents everything that was great about the New Wave in the early 80s: unbearably catchy pop songs laden with

synthesizers and driven by drum machines. Somewhat kitsch, but all fun.

Public Enemy - It Takes a Nation of Millions to Hold Us Back
Chuck D. and company have been dropping bombs on your moms since the 80s. Why do people today pretend they never existed? Get this record and play it loud to piss off your neighbors. Make this the soundtrack to your friendly neighborhood riot.

The Sea and Cake - Oui
This whole record conjures up images of a lazy beachfront afternoon. Breezy, succinct, melodic. Beautiful, well-crafted pop.

Anything by The Ventures
Surf rock at its best and most adventurous. The band's recorded output is massive, but you really can't go wrong. The Ventures simply rock.

Weezer - The Blue Album
Add one part pop, a dash of 70s arena rock guitar crunch then sprinkle with clever, Rivers Cuomo-penned lyrics and you have one of the most important recordings of the 90s. Carefree and wonderfully adolescent. Everyone knows all the words so play it loud.

Shuggie Otis - Inspiration Information
A simply amazing blend of soul and psychedelia. Combining funk, jazz, pop and slew of other genres, it's safe to say you've never heard anything quite like this. Put this one on anytime and it will brighten your outlook on life. Pure joy.

Bertrand Burgulat - The SSSound of MMMusic
French uber-producer

Burgulat draws from pop, lounge, tropicalia, as well as electronic influences in crafting Spector-like layered soundscapes. Fits neatly on your shelf between your Stereolab and Serge Gainsbourg records. **Getz/Gilberto featuring Antonio Carlos Jobim** There needed to be a jazz record on the list and this one fit the bill. As smooth as they come. Perfect music for your cocktail party or late nights with that special someone. File under: panty remover.

Skee-Lo - I Wish He's a One-Hit Wonder, but this track is a masterpiece. Skee-lo's lyrics are laced with insecurity, an anomaly among the gangsta rap trend of the early 90s. As he opines about the difficulty of getting quality hoes while driving a hatchback and his lack of balling skills, you can't help but smile. Pure genius.

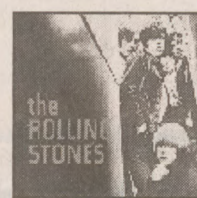
Avalanches - Since I Left You
Amish-mash of different styles, this record stands out in its eclectic ability to change styles so frequently and seamlessly. Endlessly sunny and danceable, this Australian DJ collective uses more than 900 samples in crafting a record that is pure fun.

Jurassic 5 - Quality Control
Perfect music for your block party. Four tight MCs, two superb DJs crafting catchy, sing-a-long tracks that make for great hip-hop in the summertime.



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Music



The Rolling Stones
"Remastered"
ABKCO

★★★★★ (out of 5)

ABKCO Records, owner of all of the Rolling Stones 22 albums released between 1963-1970, has decided to re-release the 327 tracks for the first time since 1986. ABKCO researched and even used eBay to ensure that the new tracks are of the utmost quality and accuracy. Overall, ABKCO presents an updated, centralized collection of the early Stones output. The re-release means a long line of new converts to the Stones' oeuvre. For longtime fans, the opportunity to sit back and relive their worn out vinyl, 8-tracks, tapes or primitive discs. Everyone alive in the last five decades has heard the "word" of Mick and company. If only the next generation of rock fans would give the gods of rock a chance, we, too, would be saved. Honestly though, you should try an album or two. See: "Through The Past," "Get Yer Ya-Ya's Out" or "Metamorphosis." — *Andrew Trahan*



Blackalicious
"Blazing Arrow"
MCA/Quannum Projects

★★★★★

West Coast hip-hop duo Blackalicious has forged new ground musically and lyrically with its major label debut "Blazing Arrow."

Chock full of smooth, danceable, sing-along hip hop Blackalicious Mellow guitars, horns, and strings provide a dense, layered sound that will make an indie snob miss a CPop opening.

Gift of Gab's dexterous wordplay highlights the record. His lyrics are hopeful, but never cheesy which make this record an anomaly in hip-hop.

The production half of the group, Chief Xcel, crafts most of the beats, drawing from funk, hip-hop and modern R & B. He even throws in a Harry Nilsson sample for good measure. The all-star guest list includes Quannum's own Lateef and Lyrics Chali 2na of Jurassic 5, Ben Harper, Zach De La Rocha and many more. The most accomplished hip-hop record of the year. — *Nick McIntyre*



Sonic Youth
"Murray Street"
Geffen

★★★★★

Sonic Youth has been making chaotic distortion for more than 20 years. Huge favorites among rock critics and college students alike,

Sonic Youth played a large part in creating the indie rock genre with its pioneering late 80s output (see: "Sister" and "Daydream Nation"). In the band's latest release "Murray Street," Sonic Youth has created its most accomplished and accessible work in years. The record leans more toward pop songery than the experimental directions of their late 90s work, which may have something to do with the addition of uber-producer Jim O'Rourke as the band's official fifth member. Despite its pop orientation, the tracks keep the energetic conglomeration of feedback that has marked the Youth's entire catalog. The album is a delicate mix of the instrumental brilliance that Sonic Youth has made a career of and the subtle pop songcraft of O'Rourke. — *Nick McIntyre*

Cinema

Lesbians, incest, murder: class warfare, French style

By Patrick Labadie
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

A literal title like "Murderous Maids," might be misleading in revealing the subject matter of this film. Yes, the maids of the title do kill people, but that is hardly what the film is about.

The film is more psychological exploration than the cheesy exploitation the title suggests.

The film chronicles one of the most infamous French crimes of the 20th century when Christine and Lea Papin, two domestic servants, murdered their employer Madame Lancelin along with her daughter in Le Mans in 1933.

The newspapers at the time reported: "Its ferocity attained an unprecedented degree, and it's infinitely difficult to comprehend that human beings could have killed with such appalling savagery."

Director Jean-Pierre Denis, in his return to filmmaking after a 12-year sabbatical as a customs inspector, turns his camera to the women themselves and the social situation in France in the 30s, rather than the crime.

Denis tells the sisters' story in an almost voyeuristic, documentary style in exploring the sisters' background.

Much of the film is concerned with the early life of Christine (Sylvie Testud), to whom the movie clearly belongs.

The eldest of three sisters, she develops a deep resentment toward her



Sylvie Testud (left) and Julie-Marie Parmentier share an intimate moment in Jean-Pierre Denis' "Murderous Maids."

Rialto Pictures

Murderous Maids

Rated R
Running Time: 94 minutes
★★★★ (out of 5)

mother early in life when she is sent with Emila, her middle sister, to a Catholic boarding school. Emilia eventually chooses to become a nun, but when Christine expresses a desire to serve God her mother slaps her saying: "You'll slave for others like I do."

Christine begins working as a maid in a series of households, but she has trouble keeping a job because of an insolent attitude which leads to frequent fights with her employers.

These conflicts are loaded with issues

of class warfare which are at the heart of the film.

She is not comfortable being a slave of the rich. Christine feigns obedience and sincerity, but beneath every "As you wish, Madame" lies an "I want to stab you" stare.

It is here where the gifts of Denis and his lead actress become apparent.

Denis exploits the dehumanizing effects of domestic service (i.e. cleaning up after the bourgeois and expecting to keep your mouth shut) in order to create sympathy for the sisters' situation. One employer even uses a white glove to check for dust on the furniture. The audience realizes that they are trapped within the social strata of French society. There is no 'up' for them.

Christine lands a position at the home of Mme. Lancelin (Dominique Labourier) and eventually convinces her to hire her youngest sister Lea (Julie-Marie Parmentier).

Christine's almost maternal affection for her younger sister soon blossoms into a full-blown incestuous lesbian affair. During their first encounter, the naive Lea asks: "Is this wrong?" Christine reassures her: "Oh, no, sweetheart, being whores would be much worse."

The insular world the girls inhabit in their attic quarters is shattered when Mme. Lancelin and her daughter arrive home early while the sisters are sharing a nude meal in bed.

In the ensuing climax, filmed with unflinching savagery, the dam holding back Christine's rivers of contempt bursts with violent fury.

Along with Denis' observant, restrained direction, Testud's calculated performance (for which she won a French Oscar) proves to be the standout in this truly creepy, unsettling film.

The film is a cold, clinical tale. It doesn't delve in order to reveal the girls' motives. Denis is more interested in the psychological world that his characters inhabit.

"Murderous Maids" is showing exclusively at the Detroit Film Theatre running Sept. 6-8. Call (313) 833-3237 for details.

Perry, Hurley lack chemistry in 'Serving Sara'

By Sandarella Batres
THE OAKLAND POST

Process server Joe Tyler (Matthew Perry) may work long hours, suffer indignity after indignity and has no benefits, but he is damn good at his job, until lately.

Over the past two months it's as if his marks have been warned of his coming to serve them.

Desperate, he wins an important subpoena job from his competition, fellow server Tony (Vincent Pastore), and he gets more than he bargained for in "Serving Sara."

Director Reginald Hudlin has made a mark for himself in the comedy flick world, starting with "House Party" and "Boomerang." "Serving Sara" continues his comic direction,

but the film had some production problems. The biggest issue was Matthew Perry's drug problem that ended in rehabilitation during the film's production.

But, the problems with the film are not due to Perry.

The story is simple. Joe, years ago, had been a hotshot lawyer moving in the fast lane until confronted with the job of representing the mob. His scruples cost him his career, and when his money went away so did his fiancée and future.

However, he proves to be a good process server, until Tony sabotages nearly every target.

Even though he isn't doing so hot, Joe convinces his boss, Ray (Cedric the Entertainer), to give him the paper to subpoena Sara Moore (Elizabeth Hurley) for a divorce hearing initiated by her Texan cattle baron husband and

Serving Sara

Rated PG-13
Running Time: 100 minutes
★★★

partner, Gordon (Bruce Campbell). Her hubby, it seems, has plans to dump Sara, take half her fortune and hook up with Kate (Amy Adams).

Joe serves the paper to Sara at her sister's home. When he leaves, two thugs working for one of his previous clients beat him and take his car.

He takes a bus back to the city only to find that Sara is also on board, shocked by her husband's betrayal.

She starts to babble about getting back at Gordon when Joe clues her in on what being served means and tells her the only way out would be if Gordon was served first. The light

dawns on Sara, and she cuts a deal with Joe to deny that she was served and, instead, hand her subpoena for divorce to Gordon in return for \$1 million. This begins a cross-country race to serve the husband before Tony can serve the wife.

The problem with the film lies in the casting of Sara. Hurley didn't give any life to her character, who should be more pissed as the jilted wife of a Texas cattle baron. In addition, she lacked any chemistry with Perry who's one of the better aspects of "Serving Sara." He shows a cockiness that is both sarcastic and tough. When the mob boys rough him up he knows he can't do a thing to stop them, but it doesn't stop him from telling them just what he thinks.

In Theaters

"Austin Powers in Goldmember"

★★★
Mike Myers' spy spoof schtick is wearing thin, but this one manages to get a few laughs out of very familiar material. Beyonce Knowles provides the eye candy. "XXX"

★
Vin Diesel has already been anointed the new breed of action hero. This is an action movie. Cars go fast and things blow up. Bring back Stallone.

★★★★
Director M. Night Shyamalan follows up his disappointing "Unbreakable" with this Hitchcock-esque thriller about a Pennsylvania farmer who finds mysterious crop circles on his land. "Blue Crush"

★
Cute girls go surfing in this lightweight coming of age tale starring Michelle Rodriguez and Kate Bosworth. Would be better if it didn't take itself so seriously. "Undisputed"

★★★
Wesley Snipes and Ving Rhames beat each other up in this mildly entertaining prison boxing drama. "Road to Perdition"

★★★★★
Director Sam Mendes' follow up to American Beauty uses the structure of a gangster film to explore relationships between fathers and sons. "Simone"

★★★
Al Pacino creates a virtual woman in this boring romantic comedy posing as a satire.

EDITOR'S PICK

The Royal Tenenbaums: Criterion Collection DVD

Wes Anderson's "The Royal Tenenbaums" was one of the best films to come out last year. The film features all of the elements that have become Anderson trademarks: off-beat characters, deadpan humor and witty dialogue.

The story deals with a family of geniuses who have all peaked early and are now forced deal with failure. The all-star cast features Gene Hackman, Angelica Huston, Bill Murray, Gwyneth Paltrow, Danny Glover, as well as Anderson regulars Luke and Owen Wilson.

The Criterion disc is loaded with supplements, including commentary from Anderson, interviews with the cast, a making-of documentary, artwork from the film and the laugh-out-loud funny "Peter Bradley Show." Great film. Great disc. Perfect for an afternoon of procrastination.

UPDATING OU

The Student Affairs Staff would like to welcome back all OU students and new freshmen. We hope you have a successful fall semester!

Congratulations 2002 Sidney Fink Memorial Award Recipients
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The Placement & Career Services Department is pleased to have introduced this summer a new online resume and job search system entitled eRecruiting@OU. We are excited about eRecruiting's additional features and are sure students will find it to be very user friendly and helpful. Students previously registered with our department using CareerConnections must now re-register through eRecruiting@OU. Instructions for this process can be found at our new web site at www.oakland.edu/careerservices. It is critical that you complete the new registration process and upload your resume to eRecruiting@OU in order to remain active in our database. For students not yet registered with our department, it is important that you become registered as early as possible for resume referrals and to participate in on-campus interviewing opportunities. Recruiting visits begin October 1, however you will be able to begin signing up for interviews prior to that date. For detailed information on the process, you should attend one of the eRecruiting@OU Training Sessions scheduled for the early part of this month (visit our web site and access our calendar for training session dates and times).

Campus Rec Happenings

Fall Fitness Classes—regular fall fitness class schedule begins Sept. 9th, and specialty classes begin Sept. 16th. Fitness classes are FREE and available on a drop-in basis. Classes include step, kick-boxing, water aerobic, cycle, and strength-training. Specialty classes (pilates, yoga, tai chi, and triathlon training) require a registration and deposit fee. Come on in and get a great workout! Fitness and wellness programs include group exercises, personal training, fitness assessments, and massage/acupressure therapy.

Intramural Sports—The season starts soon, so pick up a registration form and sign up a team. Fall sports offered include soccer, flag football, all-star basketball, and volleyball. Special events this fall include softball tournament, bench press competition, and basketball extravaganza. Check on-line to view start dates for sports/events at www.oakland.edu/unit/campus_rec/.

Career Services presents Career Prep Month from September 9 through October 5. Workshops, informational panels, career and graduate school fairs are among the many program featured. Visit <http://www.oakland.edu/career> services for detailed calendar of events or call 370-3250.

Information Tables

Between North and South Foundation Halls
Wednesday, Sept. 4, 8 AM-2 PM
Thursday, Sept. 5, 8 AM-6 PM
Friday, Sept. 6, 8 AM-2 PM

THIS WEEK

Wednesday, September 4

- OU Night at the Rec Center, 6-10 PM, Climbing wall, joust, human foosball and much more! Food, games, prizes, and first 200 people get a free t-shirt.
All students, faculty, and staff are invited to come out and enjoy the fun!
- Student Affairs Ice Cream Social, 11:30 AM-1 PM and 5-6 PM. Join faculty and staff between North and South Foundation Halls as they scoop everyone's favorite summertime treat.

Thursday, September 5

Trek to Target, 6-9 PM. 10% off all purchases when you show your OU SpiritCard at Target, Rochester Road in Rochester.

Friday, September 6

- OU Spirit Day—Show your pride and wear your Golden Grizzly gear today.
- Student Apartments Grand Opening, 3 PM
- Jimmy Fallon Comedy Concert—Vandenberg Cafeteria, doors open at 6:30 PM, show from 7-9 PM
- Sigma Pi Pig Roast, upper sports fields, 7 PM- 1 AM

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, September 11, 9-11 Remembrance: Anniversary Ceremony, 12 noon-1 PM, Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center.

Thursday, September 12, Dress for Success Seminar, 12 noon- 1 PM, Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center.

Friday, September 20, Friday Night Live, Residence Halls, Comedian Buzz Sutherland, 7 PM, Vandenberg Cafeteria, free admission.

Saturday, September 21, 2002 Metro Detroit American Heart Walk, 7:30 AM-12 noon, Meadow Brook Music Festival. A non-competitive walking event offering a 1 mile or 2.5 mile route. Funds raised will benefit the American Heart Association.

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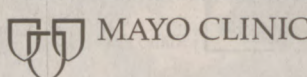
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Grizzlies released into 'wild'

BY RANDY DUDEK
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

As a new season of OU sports begins, three athletes from last year's teams are not focusing on registering for classes, but instead are finishing up or reflecting on their first season playing professionally.

Former Grizzly star Anita Rapp completed her first season with the New York Power of the Women's United Soccer Association (WUSA), while OU hurlers Jared Thomas and David Viane are in the middle of their first season pitching for the Everett AquaSox, a Single-A minor league affiliate of the Seattle Mariners.

Rapp, born in Lillehammer Norway, was selected as a "Discovery Player" and took the fourth and final spot on New York's roster for international players.

"The WUSA is different from a other professional leagues," said Rapp's former head coach Nick O'Shea. "A discovery player is selected by the team and is not subject to the league's draft."

New York finished the 2002 season last in the eight-team WUSA with a 3-17-1 record. The Power also drew 20 percent fewer fans than the WUSA as a whole with an average attendance of 5,575 people per game.

The season was especially disappointing for the Power who were expected to be one of the franchises that carried the fledgling professional sport in its inaugural campaign.

"The size of attendance was very disappointing," Dressler said. "The soccer community on Long Island never really embraced the league and the team to the extent that I thought that it would."

While Dressler has admitted that moving out of the region is still "a possibility. It's not the front one. Our goal is to find a home in the New York metropolitan area."

Another key decision facing the Power in the off-season will be finding a new head coach. Interim coach Charlie Duccilli, who replaced Pat Farmer in June, is considered one of the leading candidates in the search for a new leader.

In spite of all of the off-field distractions plaguing the team all season, Rapp and the Power did end the season on a positive note as she notched a goal in New York's 4-1 victory over the Washington (D.C.) Freedom.

"She was a pleasure to have on the team. She's a great personality and a great player," said Susan Marenoff general manager. "There are expectations for international players, but it also takes time to adapt to the U.S. culture. It really helped that she was already versed in American soccer."

In 19 games with the Power, the former OU midfielder finished with two goals and one assist. Her 20 shots tied for third place on the team. She has signed a two-year contract with New York, so she will play a significant role on the squad next year, regardless of where they call



home. "Anita enjoyed her first season," said O'Shea who spoke with Rapp, at times, during the season. "She's a very competitive person, and it appeals to her playing in a league where every game is highly contested. She's the type of person who really thrives in that environment."

The Seattle Mariners selected Thomas, a left handed starter in his two seasons at OU, in the 11th round of the 2002 Major League baseball draft.

Seattle didn't stray far from campus, drafting the right-handed Viane eight picks later. Both players left school following the winter semester and were assigned to the AquaSox in Everett, Washington, a member of the Northwest League (NWL).

With two games remaining in the season, Thomas has 11 saves, tying him for fourth place in the NWL saves standings. In June he was named the Rolands Relief Man of the Month in the NWL.

"That was cool," Thomas told the Everett Herald. "I didn't expect that."

Thomas' 11 saves also ties him with Jim Terrill for the the AquaSox single-season

record.

Terrill achieved the feat in 1987, which was also the last season that the Everett franchise finished in first place in the NWL.

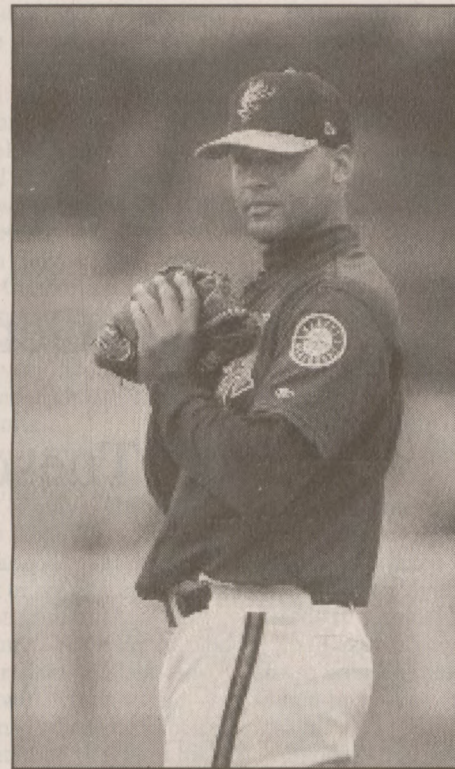
Thomas is sporting a team-low 2.21 earned run average (ERA) and has 25 strikeouts in 20.3 innings pitched. He is also holding opponents to a .123 batting average, best on the team. He is also the only Everett pitcher who has not given up a home run.

While Thomas' first professional season has to be considered a success, Viane's first go around has definitely been more of a challenge.

"David struggled in the middle, and had two really bad outings," said OU head baseball coach Mark Avery.

In 19 relief appearances with the AquaSox, Viane has one win to go with one loss. His 7.13 earned run average is the highest on the team and is one of two Sox who have given up more walks (20) than strikeouts (18).

Viane is ninth on the team in innings pitched, but fourth in earned runs allowed.



(Above) photo courtesy of the Everett Herald
(Left) photo courtesy of WUSA-New York Power

Above: Ex-Grizzlyhurler Jared Thomas prepares to close out another game for the Everett AquaSox in a game earlier this summer. Thomas is reunited with former teammate David Viane on the Sox.

Left: Former OU standout Anita Rapp brings the ball upfield in the New York Power's game against the Boston Breakers. Rapp scored her first WUSA goal in this game.

With a win in either of the season's final two games against the Eugene Emeralds, the AquaSox will clinch the Western Division title and face the Eastern Division champion Boise Hawks for the 2002 NWL crown.

"Both kids are going to be playing instructional ball in the California League," said Avery, who like O'Shea has been following his former athletes' escapades.

"I think that they are both at level four out of eight developmentally, with level eight being the major leagues."

"It's just a matter of them continuing their hard work."

While the news that Viane, Thomas and Rapp are now plying their trade professionally is not widely known on campus, many students are aware of the potential positive light that it could shed on the university.

"I didn't know that former OU students have turned pro," said Brian Campbell, senior.

"I believe it will be a good representation for the school and gives the students something to be proud of."



RANDY DUDEK

Assistant Sports Editor

Strike a balance... Why start now?

With mere hours left before Major League Baseball was set to strike, good news came across the wire. There will be no work stoppage in 2002.

This news comes as a complete surprise to Detroit Tiger fans who are under the impression that baseball hasn't been played in this town since 1987.

In a national press conference part-time owner, part-time commissioner Bud Selig said that the new deal makes, "Significant strides to returning baseball to competitive balance."

For years I have chuckled while listening to baseball executives delude each other. Ever since the last strike in 1994, they have been pining to return to some fictional time when every team won the World Series.

In the 38-year span covering the seasons from 1926 to 1964 there were a total of nine years in which there was not at least one New York team playing in the World Series. Included in that time frame are ten times when two teams from the Big Apple played each other for the title.

Even more laughable is how the baseball bigwigs try to imply that media revenue has a direct affect on championships.

Chicago (third largest market) has two major league teams, yet hasn't celebrated a World Series title since 1917. In fact, neither Chicago team has even been to the Series since 1959.

The Philadelphia Phillies (fourth) have been in existence since 1880 and have only totaled seven seasons in which they have won over 90 games, the standard mark for a 'good' team.

With apologies to Steve Shablin, OU's Registrar, who had to see this next line coming, the Boston Red Sox (sixth) have not won the World Series since 1918.

The 32nd largest TV market, Cincinnati has appeared in eight Series. Los Angeles (second) has only been in six.

If I were a fan of the Texas Rangers or the Anaheim Angels, I don't know if this talk of a return to competitive balance would make me laugh or cry.

Forget winning the World Series, both of these teams began play in 1961, and neither one has even been there.

All this shows is that, as usual, Selig is full of hot air. Specifics of the labor agreement aren't being released to the media until all 30 owners and all of the players sign off on the deal.

However, revenue sharing between large market and small market teams will certainly be a significant portion of the deal, as will a tax on team payrolls that exceed a certain amount.

With this new revenue sharing proposal, the Detroit Tigers (tenth largest market) will finally be able to compete with the clubs above them in the standings. No longer will Minnesota (14), Cleveland (15) and Kansas City (33) be able to use their large market status to continue beating the Tigers to a pulp.

Personally, I can't see the new deal making much of a change in how baseball is being run.

Billionaire owners will still fight with millionaire players over a pile of money that you and I cannot even begin to comprehend.

Athletes will still continue to disassociate with the fans, the people who pay for their ridiculous salaries.

Baseball's playoffs will probably involve six of the same eight teams that played in last year's post-season.

And the Detroit Tigers will still not be competitive in the near future.

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Tournament victory starts season

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

The OU women's soccer team has proven that it likes the look of things from the top and plans to enjoy the view again.

After securing a third straight Mid-Con title, the women became the first Golden Grizzly squad to qualify for the NCAA post-season tournament.

This year, the women and head Coach Nick O'Shea are looking forward to raising the bar even further and surpass last year's achievements.

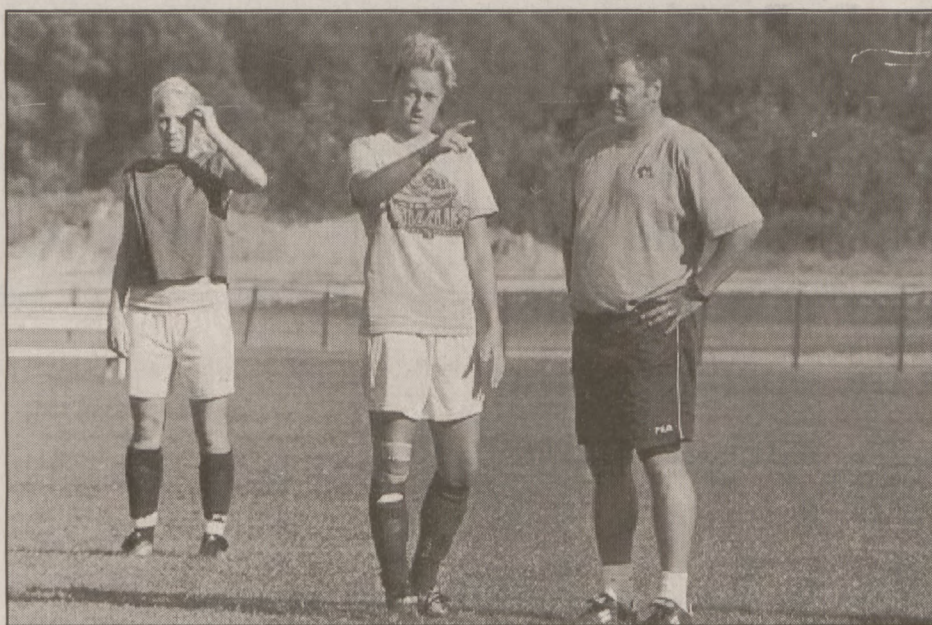
"Our new goal is to win a NCAA tournament game," O'Shea said.

"Some of our old goals remain, such as winning the Mid-Con, both the regular season title and the tournament championship," he said.

Although graduated Grizzly Anita Rapp continued on to the WUSA after last year's stellar season, OU still has 17 players returning that had significant playing time last season.

The Grizzlies offensive charge will be led by juniors Erica Demers and Beth Howson, senior Debbie Cartmel and freshman Kristi Swaving.

"Debbie Cartmel played



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Women's soccer head coach Nick O'Shea leads the Grizzlies through practice. The women are looking to repeat as Mid-Con champions for the fourth straight year.

some forward for us last year, and this year we moved her up top," said O'Shea. "Kristi Swaving has the potential, but needs time to get used to Division I soccer."

"Howson is playing more minutes this year. She scored timely goals for us last year. We are also going to get some goals from our midfield."

Junior Shelly Piccirillo led OU with four game-winning goals last year and was fourth in overall scoring with 18 points

(eight goals and two assists), but will be sidelined this season after injuring her knee over the summer.

Cartmel tallied 21 points (eight goals and five assists) for the Grizzlies, ranking third on the squad.

Demers (12 points) and Howson (11 points) will be asked to contribute in bigger ways in response to their increased offensive roles.

The Grizzlies' will bolster the offense with stel-

lar defense, which returns all of its starters from a year ago. In last year's NCAA tournament bound performance, the OU defense had a record-setting year. The women recorded 12 shutouts and allowed opponents a mere 9.8 shots per game.

"We're counting on the experience of our back three and our goalkeeper," said O'Shea. "Until our forwards get in the groove, we are going to rely on them to keep us in games."

The defensive wall will

be held in place by senior defenders Kim Moore and Christine Selesky, along with junior defender Therese Bjork and junior goaltender Sarah Buckland.

"There's a lot of pressure on them," O'Shea said. "Kim Moore is a strong and fast defender. Selesky is so quick. She surprises opponents with how quick she is. She's one of the quickest defenders we've had."

To begin the season, the Grizzlies looked to defend their title. The title of Verizon Tournament Champions anyway.

OU opened the tournament with a 2-1 victory over the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee last Friday.

Cartmel opened the scoring for the Grizzlies in the first half to put the women ahead 1-0 over UW-M. Sixteen minutes later, Moore added OU's second and final goal.

The Grizzlies then went on to face tournament host Marquette University on Saturday. With a 2-0 victory over the Golden Eagles, OU won the Verizon Tournament Championship for a second straight year.

Buckland made five saves on the way to her

first shutout of the season.

Sophomore Natalie Simas scored the Grizzlies opening goal in the 41st minute. Freshman Silje Moen picked up the assist.

The second and final tally of the game was picked up by sophomore midfielder Katie Arnott, after receiving a corner-kick from Demers.

"Winning the Verizon Tournament was big from the standpoint that we played and beat teams that were ahead of us in our region," said O'Shea.

In the coming weeks OU will hit the road to face top-level competition such as New Mexico, Kansas, Cincinnati and Michigan. The Grizzlies also have home contests against Illinois State, Purdue and Western Michigan.

"We play tough games to get ready for the Mid-Con schedule," O'Shea said. "We know we can't win every game against these opponents, but we want to compete and be in every game."

First, however, OU must travel to Mount Pleasant for a 4 p.m. showdown against Central Michigan on Friday. At noon on Sunday, the Grizzlies go on to play the Spartans of Michigan State University in East Lansing.

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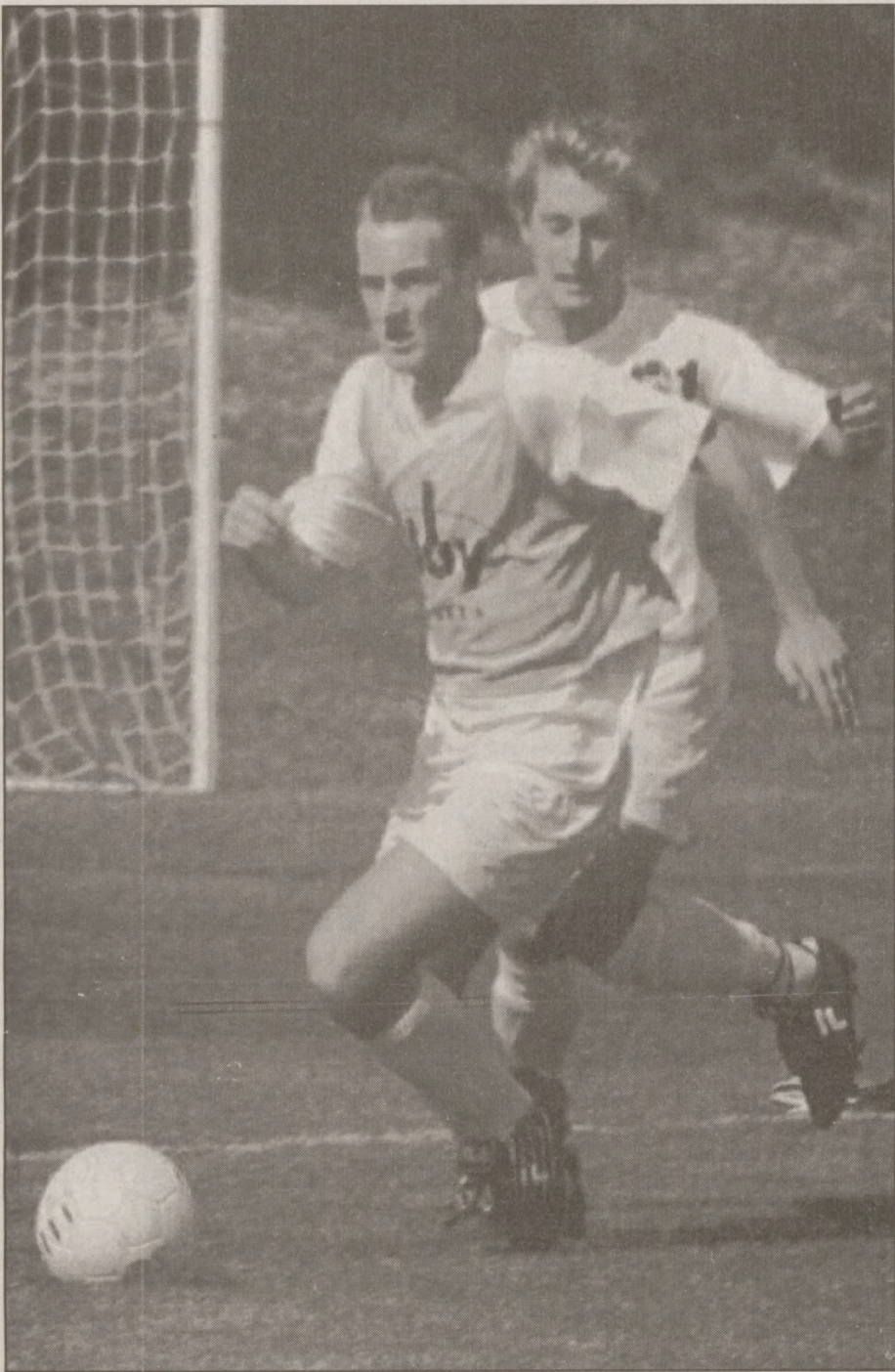
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Grizzlies kick off toward three-peat



OU's mens soccer team begins practice for the upcoming 2002 season. The Grizzlies were selected by the Mid-Con writers to finish second in the league behind last year's co-champions, the UMKC Kangaroos. The Grizzlies opened the campaign on the wrong foot, dropping the first two games for the first time since 1979.

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By RANDY DUDEK
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

After basking in the spoils of two seasons of Mid-Con regular season championships, the OU men's soccer team looks to use the 2002 season to take the next steps towards establishing a solid program with NCAA aspirations.

After Mid-Con championships in 2000 and 2001, the Grizzlies are looking to three-peat in conference play and then hope to parlay that success into success in a championship in the Mid-Con tournament.

"Our goals are simple. We want to win the conference, do well in the non-conference schedule and win the conference tournament to get a bid to the NCAA Tournament," said head coach Gary Parsons.

"Our returning players have worked hard during the winter-spring season and also this summer with their club teams, and I believe this hard work will pay off this fall."

In order for the team to meet its own expectations, defensive play is going to be key.

Redshirt freshman Jeff Wiese is scheduled to see the bulk of time in net for OU. Although Wiese has yet to play a game of collegiate soccer, he has won the trust of the coaching

staff.

"We redshirted Jeff last year," said Parsons.

"With the games that he played in during the spring he's proven that he is a Division I-caliber starting goalkeeper."

The defense is expected to be the strength of the club, returning five players, including 2002 team captain, sophomore Ryan Rzepka. Rzepka started in all of OU's 17 games last season, and was a large reason that the team finished first in the Mid-Con with a 1.06 goals against average.

"Ryan emerged last year as a very strong central defender for us," said Parsons.

"He is growing in leaps and bounds, and he is the kind of player that we have flexibility with. We can keep him at central back or we can move him to the midfield."

Junior Jason Perry, who was redshirted last season, will return to the defense where he is being counted on to regain his place as one of the Grizzlies' dominant defenders.

The list of returning midfielders is headlined by sophomore Marcus Halland, who played in every game in 2001 and was second on the team with eight points, scoring three goals and adding two assists.

Junior Anders Vollen also played in all 17

matches for OU as he tallied four points on one goal and two assists.

Junior Shahar Ktovim played in OU's first eight matches before missing the rest of the season due to injury.

Sophomore Doug Rice started 15 games as he nabbed one goal on eight shots.

Leading the returnees at the forward spot is sophomore Philip Braathen who led the Grizzlies in scoring last year, recording three goals and four assists for 10 points in 13 contests.

Braathen was named to the All-Mid-Con Second Team.

"I think Philip is going to be a quality forward," said Parsons.

"He showed moments of brilliance last year, and he is a very hard working and mobile player. Philip needs to channel his energy to positive play and not be so hard on himself when he makes mistakes."

In order to prepare for the rigors of the Mid-Con season and for the prospect of postseason play, the Grizzlies will once again test themselves with a grueling non-conference schedule.

"Our non-conference schedule has some of the best competition in the Great Lakes Region," said Parsons.

"Our non-conference schedule is a goal to

measure ourselves with other teams in our region and to help us get prepared for the NCAA Tournament."

In its season opener against Creighton in the Diadora Challenge Tournament OU dropped a 1-0 decision to the Bluejays.

Creighton notched the game-winner as a 15-foot shot eluded Wiese for the game's only goal.

The Grizzlies dropped the second game of the tournament 3-2 to the Southwest Missouri State University Bears.

Rzepka scored OU's first goal of the season in the 31st minute of the game, and Braathen added the other Grizzly goal.

Jed Hohlbein notched all three goals for SMS as Wiese picked up his second loss of the season.

"Once again we had some quality scoring chances late in the game and were unable to convert," said Parsons.

"A couple injuries to some key players also took their toll, which is always a disadvantage."

The disappointing showing in the tournament marked the first time since 1979 that OU has dropped its first two games.

The Golden Grizzlies look to end their two-game losing streak at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday in the home opener against Dayton.

Squads make strides

By BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

This year's cross country squad is hoping to derail the machine of Southern Utah, which has captured the last five men's championships and four of the last five women's crowns.

Once again, the Thunderbirds are favored to win both of the Mid-Con's championships, but OU hopes to be predicted second in a close vote.

The Golden Grizzly men stole two of the seven possible first place votes in the pre-season voting.

"Southern Utah is obviously the team to beat," head coach Paul Rice said. "But they're redshirting some of their seniors and that leaves the door open."

Although the margin between first and second was slightly larger in the women's division, the women are still poised to take advantage of their young legs.

"It's a young team," said Rice. "They are going to gain some big-meet experience this year. We're going to throw everyone into the fire, per se."

Last year's top runner, senior Kristie Kieffer is going to be redshirted this season so she may be eligible for a fifth year.

"A runner's peak is usually in their late 20s, after a person gets out of college," Rice said. "If you can redshirt and get that fifth year, without hurting the program, most coaches will take the opportunity."

There is danger in redshirting, however, as evidenced by senior Bill Monnett's woes on the men's team. After being redshirted in 2000, Monnett was unable to compete last year due to injury. He's been injured for two-and-a-half years total, but OU hopes to have him healthy before conference play starts.

Junior Jason Bruscha, the Grizzlies' top runner in seven out of eight events last year, is currently battling a foot injury and should be ready in approximately a month.

Sophomore Adam Freeza also returns this season

after earning All-Conference honors last season. Fellow sophomore Paul Kulisek, junior Brandon Fisk and fifth year senior Ryan Bissel, who has finally, fully recovered from a surgery two years ago, will also run for the OU men this year.

The Golden Grizzlies hosted the Motor City Classic last Saturday, although the event took place off campus at Bloomer Park.

Four schools participated in the meet, including the University of Detroit-Mercy (U-DM), Rochester College, Macomb Community College, and OU. Independent runners also competed.

The men placed four out of seven runners in the top five in what Rice called a "heavy workout." OU's top finisher was Freeza, who finished second overall with a time of 21:37.

"We ran this race pretty relaxed," said Rice. "The first mile we took it easy. They stayed very close together and our top four finishers finished within 20 seconds of each other."

On the women's side, the race was taken more seriously, but the Grizzlies were still not allowed to wear racing spikes and therefore had slower times. Sophomores Sarah Cane, third, and Melissa Nasser, fourth, were the women's top finishers. The OU freshmen also ran well, finishing in a pack in the middle of the field.

"This was a good weekend to look at everyone and see where they stand," Rice said. "The first month is used to give people racing experience and to teach them how to run when they are fatigued."

"Right now, the runners have three workouts a week and lift three days a week. We are doing a lot of hills and do a lot of long intervals. The men run 80 miles a week and the women run 60. This will help them gain confidence that their bodies can hold up to the tougher meets."

Both squads are set to compete in the Tommy Titan Classic, which will be hosted by U-DM, on Saturday at Cass Benton Park, in Northville.

High ranked competition slows volleyball progress

By BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

After a dismal season last year, the OU volleyball program needed a change. That change came in the form of new head coach Mark Ridley.

"There are a few different things I brought in," Ridley said. "I'm trying to beef up our defense. I'm trying to be challenging and let the team meet those challenges. I like to think I haven't changed a lot of things, but rather a few."

OU opened up its season in East Lansing by taking part in the Coca-Cola / Michigan State University (MSU) Volleyball Classic, in which the Grizzlies were slated to play three matches in two days.

"There's one thing about playing tough competition, you can't help but get better," said Ridley.

"When you play weaker opponents, areas of improvement are sometimes masked. Ultimately, we're preparing ourselves for our conference schedule."

OU's first opponent was the South Carolina Gamecocks ranked in the top 30 in the country. The Grizzlies lost all three games within the match on Friday, but lost the second game by only two points, forcing the game into extra points, 31-29.

"We were one swing away from winning game two," said Ridley.

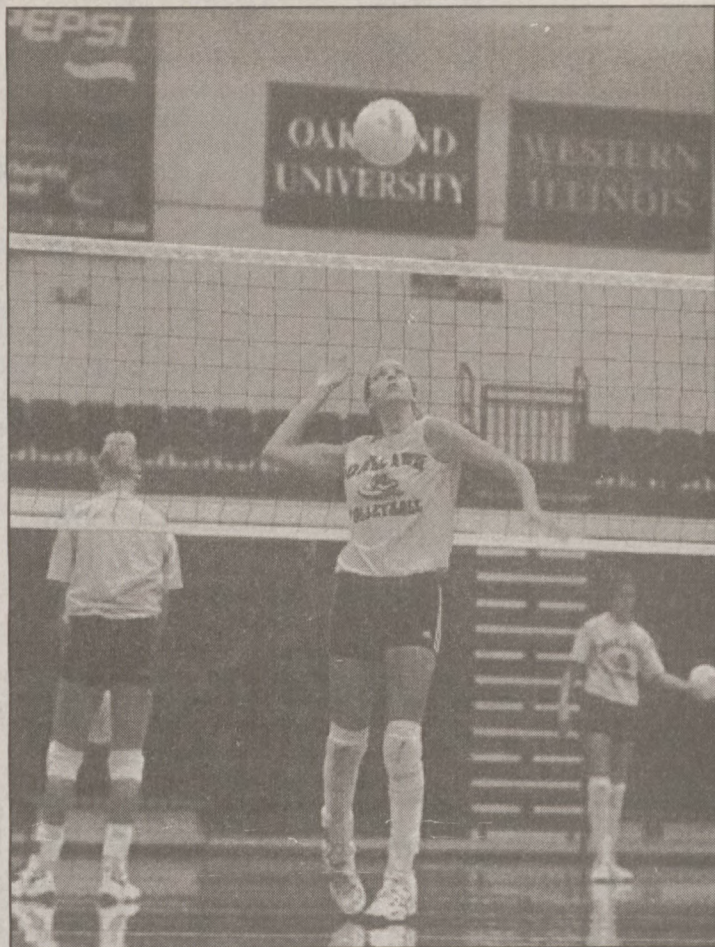
Junior Courtney Varterasian led OU along with sophomore Sara Miller with seven kills each. Lone senior Becca Saldana totalled 20 assists, nine digs and an attack percentage of .625.

The Gamecocks were led by Cally Plummer, Sam Alban and Nice Curry, all recording double-digits in kills. Megan Hosp contributed 45 assists out of a total 91 points for SCU, and also had 11 digs.

Saturday started with a 10 a.m. matchup with the host Spartans of MSU who are now ranked 12th in the country. Once again, the Grizzlies fought hard but were unable to win a game, losing the match 3-0.

With the loss, OU dropped to 0-2, while MSU improved to 2-0.

Eight kills were recorded by the Grizzlies/Patti Hunter in the three losses.



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OU holds practice in the O'Rena in preparation for a weekend tournament. The Grizzlies had three matches in two days.

Saldana was once again the leading play maker with a total of 16 assists and seven digs.

"Becca has been huge for us," said Ridley. "She's a definite calming factor. That's really what we need."

OU squared off against Georgetown later Saturday evening in its final contest of the Coca-Cola/MSU Volleyball Classic.

The Hoyas once again shut out the Grizzlies, 3-0. Unlike the rest of the tournament, however, OU was unable to keep the games close, losing 30-16, 30-19 and 30-20.

"We're going to have our ups and downs," said Ridley. "This is definitely a competitive team. Our only let down might have been against Georgetown."

Varterasian led the team in kills for the second time in the tournament with nine. Saldana continued to be the spark for the Grizzlies, once again topping the stat sheet in assists (16) and digs (eight).

"They were definitely bigger and taller than us," said Ridley. "Those schools are able to attract athletes from all over

because of their traditions. At OU, we are trying to build that tradition."

Due to yesterday's contest at Bowling Green ending after this edition went to print, results and stats were unavailable.

The Grizzlies have a busy week ahead of them, starting with their first home match of the season at 7 p.m. tonight against IPFW.

Over the weekend, OU is scheduled to participate in the Akron Tournament, hosted by Akron University. At the tournament, OU will play Virginia Tech at 5 p.m. on Friday, as well as AU at noon and Robert Morris College at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

The next week's schedule wraps up with a 7 p.m. home match against Eastern Michigan on Tuesday.

"We want to push the envelope," Ridley said. "Instead of competing, we want to the next step and win."

"This past weekend we played close to our potential, but now we want to push that higher and hopefully we can have some success."






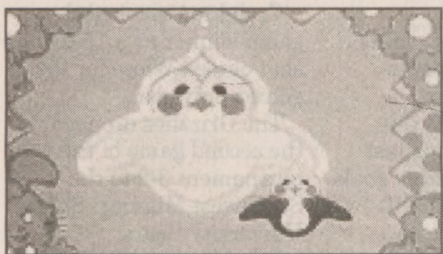
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Exhibit 'twists' into gallery



ANDREA ZARCZYNSKI
THE OAKLAND POST

This is not the replica of a typical walk through the mall. Where Bebe ends, Nordstrom does not begin.

In London and Japan twisting simplistic irony with humor is used to create innocent cartoon characters and marketable styles. This is how the trendy "Hello Kitty" line by Sanrio was created.

The exhibition will be open to the public from Sept. 7 through Oct. 6, at The Meadow Brook Art Gallery located in 208 Wilson Hall.

Peter Snadden, a 46 year-old London conceptual digital artist, has replicated this while adding a unique interpretation of the world. Its different surroundings in the exhibition takes this Japanese ironic cartoon concept and "twists" it with people's presumably realistic lifestyles.

"Hello Kitty" meets the Grim Reaper. "This take on art is different from the serious way prominent in America," said Snadden. "It's 'lite' death."

Designed in England by Snadden, this is the first appearance of "Minimall" in Detroit.

This Saturday from 6-9 p.m. in the art gallery, video-game-like Japanese techno-pop sounds will fill the air.

Volunteers in limited edition T-shirts replicating Snadden's work will be in the sectioned theme areas to create a replica of what Snadden called "real life" at the opening reception.

Snadden chose the name "Minimall" as a heading for the six scenes or "zones" that will also fill the gallery.

The "zones" are "Flower Show," "Target Range," "Kiddyland," "Gun Club," "Pet Park" and "Boutique."

Each segment takes on a different atmosphere creating the intended "world within a world" that Snadden said he hoped to achieve.

"Minimall" brand merchandise and color-coordinated cubes will fill the gallery.

Snadden said he wanted them to be used for either function or art.

An array of coordinated baby pink and blue, along with gingham accents, splashes the walls of the gallery, where each theme area has mural canvas dis-

Minimall brings influences from London and Japan to Meadow Brook

plays hanging over the customized wall colors. Each will represent some new style aspect of fashion and historical fine art.

The cartoon-like but refined French Siamese cats, part of "Pet Park," depicts aspects of historical animal art mixed with a contemporary edge. The white poodle digital piece also filling this zone is named after the fashion designer Emilio Poochi.

Snadden is also doing something a little out of the ordinary for his gallery, allowing for what he called the "cha-cha-cha, clubby" environment he hopes to create.

The unique presence of the attendees in the room is what Snadden expects will complete the exhibit.

"It's not just a critique of popular culture, but an assimilation of the environment," Snadden said. "The people become part of it. (It's like) Ralph Lauren extending to home-range stuff and tailoring a lifestyle."

The attendants will be around the exhibit as well as part of it, something very non-traditional in the world of art. Andrew Compland, freshman, said he is optimistic about the exhibition.

"It looks like a good way to meet people and become more culturally aware, since this is primarily a commuter campus," he said. "It will bring a lot of students together."

Dick Goody, Meadow Brook Art Gallery director, expects more than 5,000 people to attend "Minimall" because of its "imaginative and collective nature."

"An art exhibition is about bringing people and art together, if you aren't doing that, you're wasting your time," Goody said. "It is more youth cultural, cosmopolitan and is expanding away from gallery context. That will attract people."

Goody also said it has been only "hard work" that went into this production for the past year because when "Minimall" closes, the gallery will have to be repainted for the next show.

"It's going to be a great shame to have to paint over it, when it's over," Goody said.

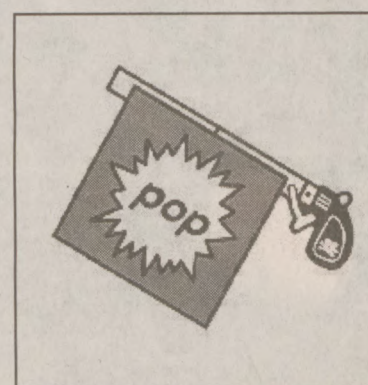
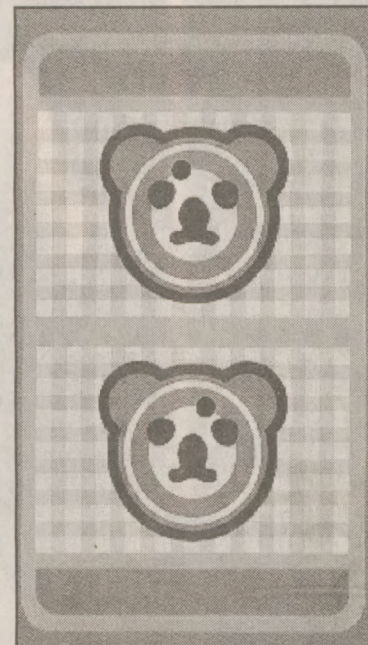
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Meadow Brook Art Gallery

Meadow Brook Art Gallery is featuring "Minimall," an exhibition by digital conceptual artist Peter Snadden. The exhibit will begin on Sept. 7 and run until Oct. 6 in 208 Wilson Hall. Snadden's art features themed "zones," which include the above art in "Kiddyland," "Pet Park," "Gun Range" and "Gun Show."



Minimall Exhibit

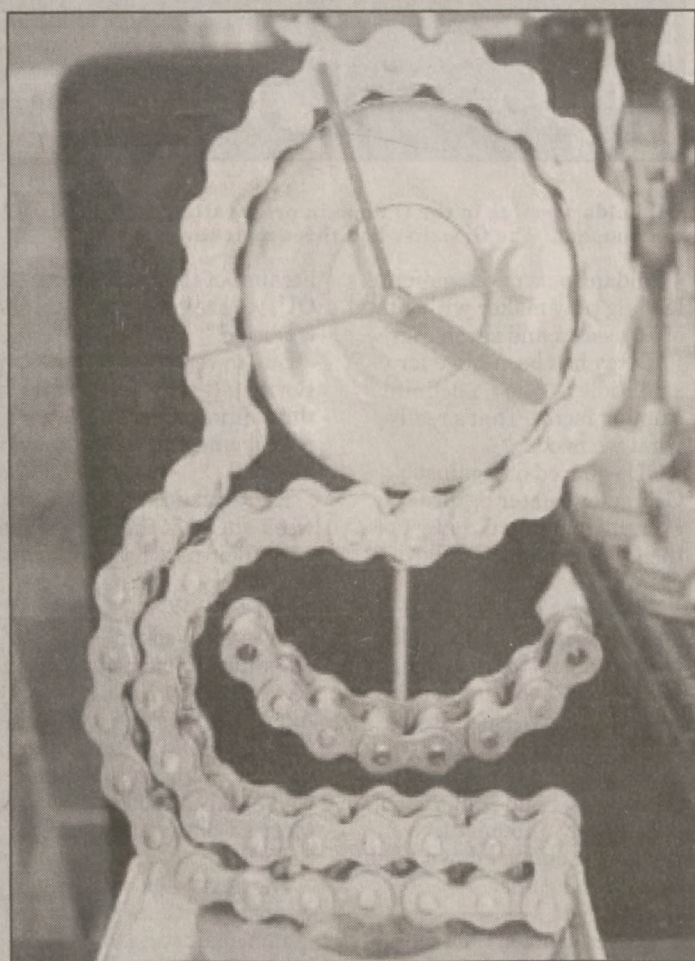
Meadow Brook Art Gallery is located in 208 Wilson Hall.

Please call (248) 370-3005 for more information.

Admission is free.

Gallery Hours: Tuesday - Friday from noon to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and evenings during Meadow Brook Theatre performances. The gallery is closed on Monday.

Heating up Pontiac



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Arts, Beats and Eats brought Pontiac to life this past weekend. The Associated Press reported 1.4 million people attended the festival for a variety of cuisine, groovin' sounds and a rockin' good time.

READER'S

Art of 'Happiness' anything but happy

BY ADRIENNE FIGUEROA
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(U-WIRE) LONG BEACH, Calif. - Individuals of Eastern and Western cultures may have different views on religion, family and roles within society, but the thing that unites them is that they are part of human existence. This seems to be the idea behind the creation of "The Art of Happiness, A Handbook for Living," but the book fell short in its portrayal of this concept.

Western psychologist Howard C. Cutler, M.D. and the Dalai Lama collaborated to compose a handbook about tolerance, compassion, discipline, pain and suffering, hatred, self-esteem, and basic spiritual values. Although the two men were able to successfully show the similarities between their cultures on opposite sides of the world, quite frequently there appeared to be a civil war within the pages of the book.

Cutler repeatedly challenged the beliefs of his fellow co-author, often times trivializing them with a tone of Western arrogance. He seemed blatantly annoyed with the Dalai Lama's stance on several issues, some of which include the acceptance of painful experiences in life without pessimism. Instead of taking the differences in beliefs for what they are, Cutler constantly prodded the spiritual leader, almost hoping that an ideology of Western nature would emerge from the Dalai Lama's mouth. The doctor's unwillingness to accept his co-author's set of values and beliefs as a happy way of life made it difficult to understand how the two could maintain a friendship.

Furthermore, this conflict made it difficult to attain happiness in reading the book, thereby contradicting the title of the work, as well as its purpose.

Two people from two cultures with dissimilar views on life is normal, but without an element of open-mindedness, writing a book together may not be such a good idea.