

The Oakland Post

March 12, 2003

www.oakpostonline.com

25 cents

Granholt's plan hits hard

By ANN ZANIEWSKI
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Governor Jennifer Granholm's plan to balance Michigan's \$1.9 billion deficit leaves higher education absorbing a large financial burden, as public universities will receive a total of more than \$109 million less in state aid.

OU currently receives roughly \$50 million annually from the state, but the 6.5 percent funding reduction, along with the 3.5 percent cut already announced for this current fiscal year, shaves a hefty \$5.3 million from OU's annual bud-

et and will likely force program cuts and trigger a tuition hike.

OU President Gary Russi noted in a grim email sent to faculty and staff last week that the recently announced cuts, combined with the rising costs of non-discretionary expenses like utility rates and technology upgrades, leaves the university with a gaping \$12-13 million hole for fiscal year 2003-2004.

While administrators have not yet specifically detailed how OU will handle the shortfall, all levels of the university, from students to faculty and staff, will feel the financial sting.

"The university will be very

hard hit by these cuts. We have been running lean for many years, so there are no easy cuts to make," Vice President for Finance and Administration Lynne Schaefer said.

One of the first major impacts of the budget crunch occurred last Friday when a hiring freeze was implemented.

Schaefer doesn't expect any final financial decisions about program cuts or tuition to be made until after she presents the budget to the Board of Trustees in May, but several departments have already begun to penny pinch.

Registrar Steve Shablin said

beginning with the winter 2004 semester, course catalogs will no longer be sent to students in the mail. To save money, schedules will be available only on OU's website.

Jean Ann Miller, director of the Center for Student Activities, said that her department has been very conscious of curbing certain perks like the amount of food that is ordered for student events.

She said she is supportive of the university's efforts to reduce the budget, and she hopes that the cuts will not impact student programs and services.

Miller added that she would like to see only a minimal tuition increase, but the cost of attending college in Michigan will become significantly more expensive, according to Michael Boulus, executive director of President's Council, State Universities of Michigan.

He said no state schools have announced how much tuition will be increased next year, but he expects the figures to be steep.

"Tuition increases are inevitable," he said. "You've got to figure they'll be at least the amount of the cut or greater. But it will probably be greater."

Petition for openness presented to Board

By REBECCA WYATT
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

The Oakland Post's petition to the Board of Trustees was cordially received by its chair Henry Baskin, but the OU community is still awaiting a response from the Board on its stance regarding the Open Meetings Act.

Herschel Fink, attorney for The Oakland Post, faxed a letter last Thursday to General Counsel and Secretary to the Board of Trustees Victor Zambardi. A copy was also sent to Baskin.

In the letter, Fink responded to Zambardi's threat to sue The Post for defamation for its coverage of a secret Board meeting in January. Fink warned he would recommend The Post pursue an OMA lawsuit against OU unless Zambardi offered "some satisfactory explanation for the closed session, and unless we receive an unambiguous declaration from the Board of Trustees that it will obey OMA and the mandate of the Legislature to do so."

The OU community voiced its concerns over the closed meeting last Thursday when a petition with 1,201 signatures was presented at the rescheduled BOT meeting.

The Wednesday meeting was cancelled due to the snowstorm that closed campus.

Post editors presented the petition and explained to the Board that students needed to be at the closed meeting because it involved higher education funding and possible tuition increases.

Baskin said the Board appreciated the time The Post had spent on the petition and will review it. He stressed that in this time of budget cuts, it is important for students and administration to move on.

"We are all in this together," Baskin said.

After the petitions were presented, seniors Zvonko Blazevski and Jeff Galecki represented Student Congress and presented the OUSC resolution to the Board also asking it to reaffirm its commitment to openness.

Shea Howell, acting chair of the Rhetoric, Communication and Journalism Department, spoke to the Board and offered some suggestions.

She said, "Let's not go there," referring to the "bullying" tone of the letter Zambardi had sent to The Oakland Post, Inc., the non-profit corporate owner of The Post.

She said Zambardi intruded upon The Post's First Amendment right to the freedom of the press.

Howell said if the Board objected to something printed in The Post, the trustees should have written a letter to the editor or a column.

"The Oakland Post is not a student newspaper. It's a newspaper for the community," Howell said.

She then quoted a recent opinion by federal Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Damon Keith.

"Democracy dies behind closed doors. We are an open university, and I think we are better for it," Howell said.

She suggested the BOT could prevent disputes from escalating by creating a mediator's office or an ombudsman.

Howell said the Board owes an apology to the students.

OU Senate representative and mathematics professor Darrell Schmidt spoke to the trustees and presented them with the resolution asking the Board to hold all informal and formal sessions in public. It had passed in the Senate unanimously.

He also told the BOT, "It is possible to be legally right and morally wrong."

He asked that the public not be shut out of any Board meetings.

Joel Russell, professor of chemistry, Please see PETITION on A7

Presidential candidates announced

By GAYLE ISSA
MANAGING/EDITORIAL EDITOR

The two student presidential candidates will face off in a debate at noon, Monday, March 17 in the Oakland Center's Fireside Lounge.

One-year Student Congress legislator Jonathan Parks, junior, is running against Mike McGuinness, sophomore, who does not currently hold a position on Congress.

Despite the difference in experience of both the presidential candidates and their running mates, both have the steep state budget cuts at the forefront of their minds.

Parks, who is majoring in communication, said, "I want to raise the integrity of Student Congress. I want to get people involved and passionate about Oakland."

If elected, he will be the first black president in eight years.

One of Parks' priorities is

to revamp the Student Activities Funding Board guidelines, the committee responsible for divvying up funds to the student organizations on campus.

Both he and his running mate, Kenton Lewis, junior, regularly attend SAFB meetings.

Parks said he wants to stay in touch with the money trail and possibly implement a cap on the amount organizations can receive and encourage groups to fund raise. This comes after a period of scrutiny of SAFB's policies when its account ran dry last month.

Lewis, a two-year legislator who is majoring in biology, said, "We want to help student organizations help themselves."

On the other side, McGuinness said he decided to run after reading a story regarding the elections in The Oakland Post. Though he has no direct dealings with OUSC, he is a mentor for AmeriCorps' Please see RACE on A7



Several student, faculty and staff members join together in a discussion about the situation in Iraq Monday in the Gold Rooms of the Oakland Center.

War teach-in draws campus community

By DERRICK SOBODASH
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

With war in Iraq looming ever closer, citizens have begun to rise up and voice their disagreement with the objectives of the Bush administration.

The Student Political Union, along with the Political Science, Rhetoric, Communication and Journalism and the Philosophy Departments, sponsored a teach-in on Monday to educate students about the current crisis in Iraq.

Several hundred OU students, alumni and members of the general community came by to take part in the discussions.

A flier for the event read, "Common ground rests more

on understanding than it does on agreement."

The discussions were, however, weighted with a heavy anti-war slant. Buttons and bumper stickers were distributed proclaiming "No War" and "Fund Education, Not Mass Murder."

"Saddam's intent is to control his people, not to destroy them," Rudy Simons, Vice President of the Cranbrook Peace Foundation, said.

"Prior to the Gulf War they were clothed, educated and fed better than most countries in the region."

One of the key things examined by speakers was the United States' history with Iraq, and how policy concerning Iraq has drastically changed during the last 13

years.

"One thing that's continually overlooked is what was US policy before 1990 vis-a-vis our relationship with Iraq," Fran Shor, professor of Interdisciplinary Studies at Wayne State University, said. "They were our friends."

Speakers also talked about the financial costs of war.

Projections from the Congressional Budget Office said the initial deployment of U.S. troops could cost between \$9 and \$13 billion. The war itself could cost \$6-9 billion per month, and bringing troops home and additional \$5-7 billion.

After that, there would be another \$1-4 billion per month spent for occupation.

Please see WAR on A7

Celebrating self-esteem

By DERRICK SOBODASH
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

A series of presentations geared toward promoting women's health and awareness will be held tomorrow in the Oakland Center.

The three presentations will focus on self-image, drug use, sexual assault and eating disorders. The event corresponds with National Eating Disorder Awareness Month, according to

Jean Ann Miller, director of the Center for Student Activities.

"This month and this day are just for letting everyone be themselves and be accepted for who they are," said Miller.

"Love Your Body Day" is the first event, sponsored by the Women's Issues Forum from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge, OC. Students can make self-portraits at this event to hang in the OC.

"Respect Yourself. Respect

Others. Club Drugs Don't," sponsored by the OUPD, will run from noon-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

According to Miller, Richard Isaacson, Special Agent of the Drug Enforcement Administration with the U.S. Department of Justice, will speak on the prevalence of club drugs and what to do to avoid situations where there may be drugs and what to do if

Please see PROGRAM on A7

Sing it, Sista



Marek Olech/The Oakland Post

Musician Sista Otis kicks off Women's History Month with a soulful performance in the Fireside Lounge Friday.

IN THIS ISSUE ...

Campus Life	B3	Letters	A6
Campus News	A3	Local News	A5
Comic	B5	Low Down	B5
Crime Watch	A3	Perspectives	A6
Crossword	B5	Sports	B1

IN CAMPUS NEWS ...

OU offers a master of arts in education for busy professionals who don't have time to attend classes during the day.

A3

IN LOCAL NEWS ...

March is Red Cross Month, and students are encouraged to help the nation prepare for war.

A5

IN SPORTS ...

The women's basketball team suffers a devastating loss to Valparaiso in the Mid-Con Conference Tournament.

B1

Oakland University Currently
Houses Over

**15,000
Students...**

YOU are one of them

Now tell us your VOTE doesn't
count!

*Exercise your
Right and
Voice your
Vote!*

More for you at
Macomb

Currently enrolled at another college or university?
Earn transfer credits over the summer!

Be our guest at Macomb College

- Same material as classes offered at 4-year schools
- Transfer credits shorten degree completion time
- Small classes and personal attention
- Convenient times—day, evening, weekend and online

It's easy!

To get all the information you'll need

- call 866.622.6624 toll free or
- click on our website at www.macomb.edu
- request and complete a guest student packet

Summer registration starts April 9, 2003

Summer classes start May 27 or June 16, 2003



**Macomb
Community College**

A lifetime of opportunity. Close to home.
www.macomb.edu / 866.622.6624 (toll free)

Oakland University Presents:
The 2002-2003 Student Life Lecture Series

Barbara Ehrenreich

Social Commentator, Author and Journalist



"NICKEL AND DIMED: Down and Out in America"

Thursday, March 20, 2003

Noon at Varner Recital Hall, Varner Hall

This lecture is free. Tickets are required and are available
at the CSA Service Window, 49 Oakland Center.

This lecture will be interpreted for the deaf. Anyone needing special assistance to attend this lecture should call the Center for Student Activities Office at (248) 370-2400.

Presented with the support of OU Students, Office of Student Affairs, Office of Academic Affairs and Provost, Student Program Board, and University Student Congress. Special recognition goes to the Oakland University Library, The Honors College, Department of Women's Studies, The Department of Sociology and Anthropology and the College of Arts and Sciences for their assistance to this lecture.

For additional information, call the Center for Student Activities Office at (248) 370-2400, or visit Oakland University's web site at www.oakland.edu. Meadow Brook Theatre is located on the campus of Oakland University, one mile east of I-75, off Exit 79 (University Drive).

TO SOME, THIS IS A PLACE TO COOK
MACARONI AND CHEESE.

TO OTHERS, IT'S A PLACE TO MAKE
A KID **SORRY FOR
WHAT HE DID.**

PREVENTING CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

doesn't just mean reporting it. Instead, you can help
stop it before it ever starts. With everything from simply helping
a parent with errands or babysitting
to supporting parenting programs in your community. Find out
the many ways you can help at

www.preventchildabuse.org or call 1-800-children.

A CHILD IS HELPLESS. YOU ARE NOT.

Ad



Prevent Child Abuse

Email questions get answered

Server in place

By DERRICK SOBODASH
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The new mail server to end OU's email woes has been installed. The transition began at 8:45 a.m. Feb. 28 and the system was operating by 5 p.m., March 2.

The decision to purchase a new email system was made at the Dec. 4 Board of Trustees meeting. It had become apparent to the Information Technology department that upgrades to the old system would not solve the problems plaguing it.

Accounts on the new email server feature 100MB of storage space. Students can still connect to email the same way they have using Webmail Direct 3.0, IMAP, POP or SMTP.

Webmail is still accessible at webmail.oakland.edu.

The upgrade was smooth, according to Theresa Rowe, director of IT. No extra staff was necessary on Monday to offer tech support, she said.

Of the 22,000 accounts moved to the new server, only between 40 and 50 caused problems for the staff. Despite that, Rowe said, "There's no evidence of any mail being lost."

According to Rowe, the OU mail server transfers an average of 50,777 unique messages per week and 204,000 messages per week total both incoming and outgoing.

A unique message is any one message sent to or from the server regardless of how many people it's addressed to. Total messages include all copies of that message sent or received.

All students with email accounts should now be able to access them. Students who have not activated their account yet can find more information on how to do so at www.oakland.edu/it/helpdesk/docs/OUCA-information.pdf.

The email accounts are included in students' activity fee paid each semester.

Ways to avoid unsolicited email

- Don't sign up for lists online without checking if the email addresses are sold or published.
- Don't put email addresses on websites because solicitors will use bots to capture the emails to send out unsolicited email.
- Don't respond to spam email. It just confirms that the address is real.
- Set up filters to delete email based on a word or words in the subject line.
- Don't purchase products through unsolicited email.

Filtering out e-junk

By REBECCA WYATT
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Unsolicited email clogs up inboxes with messages about the latest herbal remedy or where to find the best pornographic sites, and Oakland.edu users are not immune.

According to a February article in PC Magazine, of the 76 billion emails that will be sent this year, 40 percent will be unsolicited, an increase of 8 percent over late 2001.

"Everyone is experiencing problems with unwanted, or 'junk' or 'spam' email within the Oakland University community and in the email world across the country in general," said Theresa Rowe, director of OU's Information Technology department.

Many people believe that junk email comes from lists and other things they sign up for on the Internet, but John Mozena, co-founder and vice-president of Coalition Against Unsolicited Commercial Emails, said it's more about the way people use the Internet that causes junk email.

"It's not as much signing up for lists because at this point in the Internet's life, companies don't sell

the emails because it's the easiest way to tick off a customer," Mozena said.

People who have emails on websites, belong to newsgroups or chat rooms or have their email addresses visible are more likely to be spam victims, he said. Spammers use software called bots to scour the Internet looking for these available email addresses.

IT Department website suggests tips to avoid getting spam emails.

It cautions against signing up for mailing lists without asking first if the emails are open to the public or are being sold. The website also suggests not giving out email addresses to people or organizations without verifying if they sell or give out email addresses. It also suggests not posting email addresses on websites.

The IT website says not to respond to emails as a way to stop them.

Mozena agrees. "All you have done is confirm that you are a living human being at this address," he said.

He said spammers will actually collect the email addresses of those that have requested to be removed and sell them.

The IT website suggests setting

up filters to search for certain words in the subject line and either delete the messages or send them to a particular folder.

Mozena suggested students use a free email address like Hotmail or Yahoo for newsgroups, chat rooms and other things, and only give out their Oakland.edu account to family and friends they know won't abuse it.

According to www.spamlaws.com there are no laws prohibiting junk email messages in Michigan, but the Federal government is now at work with several bills pending in Congress.

CAUCE is one company that is trying to push those laws through Congress. In 1997, the organization only had one legislator supporting it in Congress. Mozena said many more are admitting this is an important concern.

"It's been a slow process. We looked like we were making some headway in 2001 and then Sept. 11 happened," Mozena said. "We're hoping that this Congress will take back up the question of spam."

According to Mozena, the problem the opponents of spam email are having is the marketing industry. He said it has been "pretty

Please see SPAM on A7

Mastering education

By ELISSA HUMMEL
THE OAKLAND POST

The new Master of Arts in Teaching offers individuals with a bachelor's degree the opportunity to become teachers while working full time in their present profession.

The MAT program, which began in September, 2002, now has 42 students enrolled. It allows those with already established careers a second chance to teach at secondary levels.

"I had thought about teaching, my mother was a teacher, but it was never a good time to make the transition," said

Stuart Bikson, a member of the Rochester city council and an advertising executive. He enrolled in the program last fall.

According to Judith Hoppin, the Executive Director of Professional Development, about 85 percent of students in the program are working adults, and classes are held on evenings and weekends to meet their scheduling needs.

"People who teach in the program love it because the students are motivated and focused with a strong work ethic," said Hoppin.

A major contributing factor to the program's success is its

diversity, with students coming from a variety of professions, ranging from engineers to city planners, she said.

To qualify for the program, applicants must pass the Michigan Basic Skills Test, and the tests that are associated with their major and minor.

The program also requires participants to perform one semester of student teaching after they have completed most of their educational coursework and field placement experience.

"It is a practicum experi-

Please see MASTERS on A7



Trainers walk future leader dogs outside Wilson Hall. OU is used to train leader dogs in a college setting.

Campus goes to dogs

By REBECCA WYATT
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

While most of the learning goes on in the classroom at OU, there is some happening on the outside.

The Leader Dogs for the Blind program uses OU's campus to train some of its dogs, according to Erin Dunn, public relations manager.

"It's just yet another environment the trainers use to train them," Dunn said.

Dunn said Leader Dogs train about 300 dogs annually and it doesn't know where they will end up. It may be in a college environment, and that is why OU is important when it comes to training.

"There is a whole travel system of sidewalks on a campus that aren't the same as sidewalks on a street," Dunn said.

"OU is close, cooperative and supportive of our students and our programs," said Judy Campbell, director of training at Leader Dogs and a graduate student at OU.

Dunn said she has been working at Leader Dogs for the past three years but has been involved with

the organization for seven years.

"We've been using the campus for at least that many years," Dunn said.

As a courtesy, Leader Dogs will talk to the different environments it trains in, and let people know the dogs are coming.

"Federally, any working dog in a harness is legally allowed in any public facility," Dunn said. "In Michigan that law is expanded and includes all of the dogs in training."

Dunn said the dogs are in training for four months.

According to Dunn, the blind person gives the dog the command and the dog decides whether or not it's safe to proceed, for example, crossing a street.

"They really do work as a team," she said.

She said if the dog doesn't complete the command it's up to the blind person to figure out why, and what the danger is.

"They need to know how to do that on every environment," Dunn said. "Campus environments are just as important as city travel, country travel or shopping."

While the dogs are on campus, it's important students don't interfere with their learning.

She said even though it appears the dog is not working, that may not be the case. The dogs need to understand that someone might sit down and have a conversation that may last an hour and a half so trainers will do just that.

There are various ways students can get involved with Leader Dogs.

She said Leader Dogs is trying to create a program for elementary school students to raise funds for the organization to help with the \$28,000 per dog training and housing cost. Older students can volunteer for different jobs within the organization.

She said students can also get involved with the puppy raiser and breeding dog program and keep a puppy in their home. However, she said that is more of a family project.

She said volunteers must be 18 years old. To sign up, students should visit the facility on Rochester Road in Rochester.

Explaining HIV trend research

By VIRGINIE PEROV
THE OAKLAND POST

Associate Professor of Nursing, Frances Jackson, will be presenting her research on HIV and the aging African American population March 18 in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms.

The presentation is part of the President's Colloquium Series, an event introduced in 1995 to showcase achievements of OU faculty.

According to Assistant Vice Provost Pat Beaver, the colloquia are supported and funded by the OU's President and are held twice a year, during the fall and winter semester.

Jackson applied for the Colloquium last winter.

"I was happy to receive a congratulation letter from the President a few months later," Jackson said.

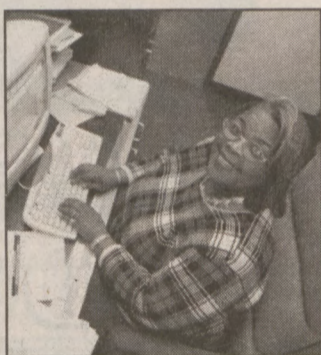
She became interested in this topic after noticing that the HIV positive population among older African Americans was on the rise. She also noticed that almost no one was talking about it.

She started working on her research in 1999 and focused on three key questions, including, what is the knowledge level of the older African American population about the problem of HIV/AIDS, what are the risky behaviors they practice and what is the susceptibility of this population or how seriously do they consider that problem?

The risky behaviors were more important than what Jackson anticipated, as was the susceptibility.

"They think it's a disease for young people," she said.

The health care community needs to improve its approach



Frances Jackson

to HIV/AIDS when it comes to older patients, she said.

"The physicians, the nurses and the medical staff need to think about the possibility of HIV when caring for older people," Jackson said.

Jackson will also address the issue of substance abuse among aging African Americans, and how it relates to AIDS.

"In the nursing field, we say prevention is to cure," Jackson said.

The event is open to everyone but seating is limited. Reservations can be made by calling the Office of the President at (248) 370-4648.

Crime Watch

• Someone robbed a tampon machine March 4 in the first floor women's bathroom in the Kresge library. The thief bent the inside stops of the machine, prying the door open. There was no apparent damage to the outside of the machine. The amount of

change stolen is unknown. • A painting of two nude women on the third floor of Wilson Hall was vandalized some time between Feb. 4 and March 4. The vandal added "body parts" to the figures with white-out. The repair cost was \$150.

• OUPD arrested a non-student after helping to push-bump her car back into the parking lot. The woman's vehicle died at the corner of University and Squirrel. After the police helped her get the vehicle into the P1 lot, west of North Foundation Hall, they

ran a check on her license plate. The check came back saying she was driving on a suspended license and had a bench warrant out for her arrest for a plate violation. OUPD arrested the woman and took her back to the station. A friend of the woman,

also a non-student, came to post the \$101 bond for her release. OUPD ran the plate of the friend who turned out to also be driving on a suspended license. She also had an improper license plate. The woman was issued a citation for the license plate. A request

for a warrant for the suspended license charge will be made.

• A high school student's cell phone was reported stolen during a swim meet between 3-3:30 p.m. March 7 in the Rec Center. The phone was by his belongings in the pool area.

How to finance
that BIG project
could keep you
up nights!

Rest easy with

Prime Advantage

OU's credit union offers qualified members a variable-rate line-of-credit based on prime that can answer your borrowing needs for years to come. Prime Advantage* can fit a payment and a project to your budget.

- Interest may be tax deductible.**
- No application fee, closing costs or appraisal fee.***
- Variable-rate loan—take advantage of low rates.
- Check out our fixed-rate option.

Don't wait! Interest rates
are the lowest in years.
Call our loan department
today at (248) 364-4708.

Apply online at www.msufcu.org

3265 Five Points Drive
Auburn Hills, MI 48326
(248) 364-4708
800-766-OUKU

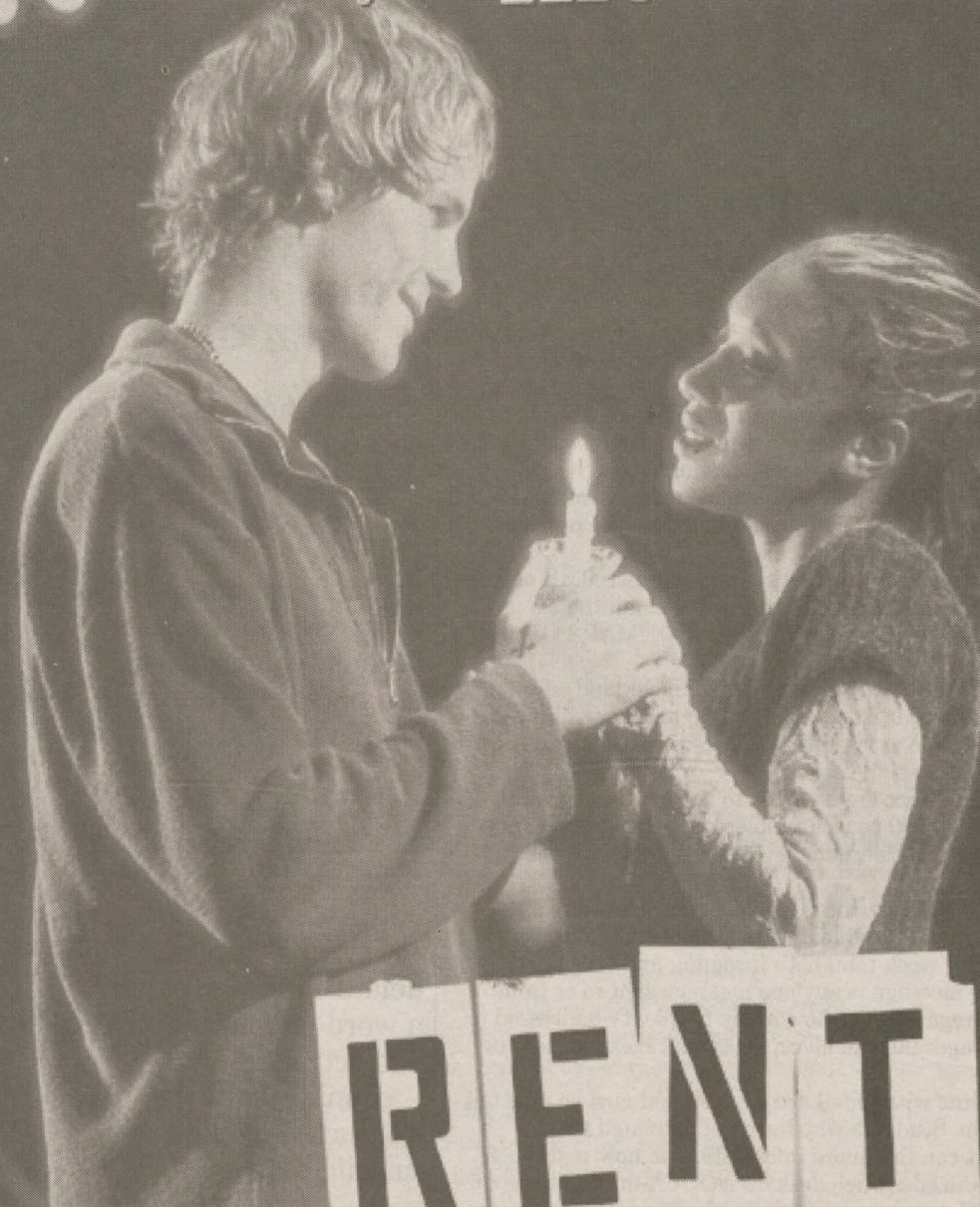


NCUA



* Prime Advantage loans are based on the index of prime as advertised in the Wall Street Journal. The margin may be as little as .25% if LTV is 80% or less. Home is subject to loan should repayment fail to be made. Property must be owner occupied and located in Michigan.
** Check with a reliable tax adviser about deductibility of home equity loan interest.
*** Appraisal may be required if loan exceeds \$100,000.00. Cost of appraisal is responsibility of borrower.

Measure
your life in Love.



March 18-23

Detroit Opera House

Tickets at the Detroit Opera House & Fisher Theatre box offices &
all **ticketmaster** outlets • 248-645-6666 • Marshall Field's
www.ticketmaster.com • Groups (20 or more) weekdays 313-871-1132
Info 313-872-1000 • www.nederlanderdetroit.com • www.rentthetour.com

OPENING NIGHT SEATS AS LOW AS \$22



SPB is keeping
you posted!

Saturday, March 15th, 2003

8:00 pm - Fireside Lounge

"The Two Siberians"

Get ready to rock to an electric guitar and an electric violin! This duo from across the ocean is sure to thrill you!

TORONTO TRIP - Thur. Mar. 20-Sun. Mar.23

ON SALE NOW at the CSA Service Window!

ONLY \$85 / OU Students

\$120 / Guest

Questions? Call the Student Program Board
office at (248) 370-4295 (or ext. 4295)!

Oakland University Student
Congress

Presidential
Debates

March 17th 2003
@ 12pm

Located in the
Fireside Lounge



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

The safety of ambulances, like this one, has been questioned recently by the CDC.

EMS safety questionable

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
THE OAKLAND POST

Speeding to the hospital in an ambulance with the lights on and sirens blaring may not be the best way to get there, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

For years, experts have known that ambulances are unsafe, however there still has been little to no change in ambulance safety regulation, according to the CDC.

The CDC said the lack of seat belt usage, loose equipment and driver fatigue are among the factors that make ambulances unsafe.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has strict regulations when it comes to the driver's portion of the

ambulance, however there are no regulations about the passenger area. The NHSTA said it doesn't even have "a crash standard for the whole ambulance, and it might take decades to create one."

Ford Motor Company makes about 85 percent of the ambulances in use, according to the NHSTA. Ford tries to incorporate some safety features into the passenger compartment like air bags and padding, even though it is not required, according to the NHSTA website, www.nhsta.gov.

Amy Schaffer, sophomore, said she thinks it's a good idea for the manufacturers to include safety measures even if they are not required.

"It's noble that they are adding safety

Please see SAFETY on A7

County may ban smoking

By SANDARELLA BATRES
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

Oakland County Commissioner Eric Coleman, a Southfield Democrat, has introduced a resolution that would ban smoking in public places throughout the county.

Coleman said the issue is second hand smoking and public health.

"Second-hand smoke is the leading cause of death in America," he said.

He's introducing it for the public safety of non-smokers, and was proposed three weeks ago.

The Board committee did not get a chance to debate the resolution at the original scheduled time Monday because Coleman himself pulled it off the agenda for a future date.

If the resolution passes, it will effect any public place people would gather, including concerts, sporting events and other large public events.

The commissioner said he is not trying to take away their right to smoke. "Smokers have the right to smoke, but they do not have the right to pollute my air, my air to breathe," said Coleman.

He said citizens could smoke in the privacy of their own home or car.

Thomas Gordon, Oakland County director of Human Services that oversees the Health Division, would be have the task of enforcing the resolution.

At this time, Gordon said he doesn't

know what steps he would have to take to enforce it.

"Nothing has been discussed to the Board at this time," said Gordon. Additional resources and funding would be needed to carry out the resolution if passed, Gordon said.

His resolution excludes bars and restaurants, which are governed by state law.

However, legislation introduced into the state House of Representatives would ban smoking in bars and restaurants throughout Michigan.

Michael Ceeds, senior, lives in Oakland County and is a non-smoker.

"Smoking in public places is not a huge inconvenience to me as

it is to others," he said. He said he just deals with it.

Rhonda Hanna, junior, said she doesn't like people smoking in public places.

"I hate it when my clothes and hair smell like smoke," she said.

Kerry Bissell, graduate student, said the government shouldn't have the right to tell people they can't smoke in stadiums.

The Oakland County government, by executive order, banned smoking in county buildings three years ago.

"Second-hand smoke is costly to businesses," said Coleman.

"Health insurance is high," said Coleman. He said this resolution would benefit business owners.

"Second-hand smoke is the leading cause of death in America."

Eric Coleman
Commissioner
Oakland County



• British Prime Minister Tony Blair is telling France and Russia that another veto for Iraq would be letting Saddam Hussein "off the hook." Even though France and Russia said they would use their veto power, Blair said he would work to find a common ground with the U.N. Security Council on a resolution. Blair also warned countries that are trying to divide Europe from America are on "dangerous" ground. His comment came after Tuesday's talks with Portuguese Prime Minister Jose Manuel Durao Barroso. The British government is also looking "favorably" at language in a new resolution for Iraqi disarmament compliance.

• Pakistani intelligence said Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, alleged operational mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks who was captured last week, met with al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden in December. Intelligence officials said they still do not have any leads to the whereabouts of bin Laden. Mohammed is answering questions, according to Pakistani intelligence officials, who also showed the eight-minute videotape of the raid that captured Mohammed. A rare press conference was held Monday explaining that the raid was led by Pakistan, and the U.S. only provided electronic help, even though the U.S. said it had CIA officers on the scene.

• The U.S. said Monday Iran's nuclear weapons program is still "of great concern." A White House spokesman said the U.S. does not believe that Iran is pursuing a complete nuclear fuel cycle solely for peaceful purposes. The Bush Administration has long accused Iran of trying to develop nuclear weapons. Iran has said two cities do hold nuclear plants, but said the country's only intention is to build power plants.

• Peace talks in Cyprus between the Turkish-held north and the Greek Cypriot south have failed, according to the U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan on Tuesday. The peace talks have been an effort to reunite the country that was invaded by the Turkish government in 1974. Annan said there was a "deep sense of sadness" from the failed effort of the peace talks. Annan started the peace talks, with the support of the U.S. and Britain, by inviting both leaders of the Turkish and Greek communities to The Hague. If there had been an agreement, Cyprus could have joining the European Union as a unified country.

Global goof

• A bank error left Ira Leeds, freshman financial manager for Princeton University's magazine *The Princeton Tory*, with access to the all campus accounts, totaling more than \$9.9 million. The student was accessing the student magazine's online account when he noticed the budget could afford more than just stamps and envelopes. Leeds didn't take any of the money and alerted bank officials, the university president and provost about the error. The magazine's online log-on number was exactly the same as the university's. The bank has since blocked all university accounts until the glitch is fixed.

-Compiled By Adam L. Neal,
Local News Editor

Information taken from
various news sources

Disaster planning pushed by Red Cross

By ADAM L. NEAL
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

The possibility of war with Iraq has sparked the American Red Cross to celebrate its annual March "Red Cross Month" by launching a new campaign called "Together We Prepare Michigan."

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross is joining more than 1,000 other chapters across the country to help the nation prepare for war and keep the U.S. safer in case of disaster.

"The entire month of March is celebrated with 'Together We Prepare Michigan,' but our kick-off event for the campaign was at the Cass Tech School," said Mary Ann Redhage, senior marketing specialist for the Southeastern Michigan Chapter.

The Red Cross on Monday launched the campaign at Cass Technical High School in Detroit.

"The Detroit public schools have been a long-time supporter of Red Cross programs," said Jim Laverty, CEO of the Southeastern Michigan chapter. "It only makes sense that we would include them in the launch of this important initiative."

The campaign offers Michigan residents a five-step program to better prepare for an emergency or disaster, including make a plan, build a kit, get trained, volunteer and give blood.

Two steps, making a plan and building a kit in preparation for a disaster, were emphasized during the cam-



Courtesy of the Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross
On hand for the "Together We Prepare Michigan" launch at Cass Technical High School in Detroit was William Coleman, chief operating officer for Detroit public schools. He was a speaker celebrating "Red Cross Month."

paign launch.

Several companies are contributing to the Red Cross. Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse is one sponsor of the "Together We Prepare Michigan" campaign.

"Lowe's stores are offering bar codes to be scanned at check-out lines," Redhage said. "All proceeds will be donated directly to the local Red Cross. This is an alternative method of donating instead of putting anything in a jar."

Redhage said there is more than one way for students to contribute.

"Getting involved with us as a volunteer is one way,"

she said. "To be an ambassador for us would be a great way for students to contribute."

The American Red Cross is the largest humanitarian organization in the U.S., according to its website. The Southeastern Michigan Chapter covers Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties.

For more information on "Together We Prepare," including the suggested five steps, visit the Michigan Red Cross national website www.redcross.org or the local chapter at www.semredcross.org. The Southeastern Michigan Chapter can also be contacted at (248) 833-2664.

Financial aid drug bill questioned

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
THE OAKLAND POST

Currently, a provision of the 1998 Higher Education Act delays or denies federal financial aid to students with any type of drug conviction.

Some people, including both students and lawmakers, believe this is unfair and discriminatory, and they are working to get the policy changed.

Students who have not yet filled out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid may be surprised when they reach question 35. This question asks about previous convictions for buying or selling illegal drugs.

Students no longer have the option of choosing not to answer. Leaving this question blank will

now result in ineligibility for federal financial aid.

Students who answer "yes" have the option to fill out a worksheet accompanying the form so a board can decide whether or not they should be disqualified or can apply for other forms of financial aid.

Richard Michaels, sophomore, said he doesn't like the system.

"If I had to answer 'yes' on the FAFSA, and I knew that meant I would be denied, why would I bother to fill one out?" he said.

According to Ben Gaines, coordinator for the Coalition for Higher Education Act Reform, since the question first appeared on the 2000 FAFSA, more than 92,000 students have been denied federal financial aid due to the drug provision.

For this school year alone, almost 84,000 students answered "yes" to the drug question. Of those answering "yes," only about 5,000 students returned the follow-up worksheet receiving partial disqualification, according to Gaines. An additional 5,000 left the question blank, and their FAFSA forms remain unprocessed.

Adam Eidinger, Students for a Sensible Drug Policy and media specialist, said, "Many students who look at the question and have to answer 'yes' will make the decision not to fill out the application."

He also said this hurts many students because they feel there is no way they will ever get any type of aid.

On Feb. 13, 2003, Congress

member Barney Frank (D-MA) introduced a bill in the House of Representatives to repeal the 1998 Higher Education Act drug provision.

His bill, H.R. 685, may gain quick support from both parties by showing it is discriminatory and distorts the original purpose of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

Scarlett Swerdlow, Board of Directors member for SSDP, said "The drug provision perverts the original intentions of the Higher Education Act, which is to provide students with financial assistance in the form of Perkins Loans, Pell Grants and work-study programs."

According to the Coalition, denying financial aid to students hurts those who need it most -

low-income students.

The provision also has a discriminatory impact. According to the U.S. Department of Justice, African Americans make up 13 percent of the nation's population as well as 13 percent of the nation's drug users.

However, African Americans make up 55 percent of drug convictions.

"There is no reason to believe that the disproportionate racial impact of drug law enforcement won't spread into the realm of higher education via this law," the Coalition said on its website, www.raiseyourvoice.com.

Chris Tucker, junior, doesn't agree.

"That seems really hypocritical since today's society seems so

Please see BILL on A7

Editorial

Openness critical

At last week's Board of Trustees meeting, Chair Henry Baskin said that during OU's tough time dealing with state budget cuts, everyone including administration, staff, faculty and students should work closely together.

President Russi announced another set of funding slashes from Governor Jennifer Granholm, which would equate to \$13 million less for OU in fiscal year 2004.

At some point, no matter how dedicated the OU community is to the quality of education, some aspects of OU will suffer. Either programs will be cut, jobs will be lost or tuition rates will be hiked. Likely, there will be a combination of the three.

Higher education is between a rock and hard place, not just in Michigan but across the country. This is why every single member of the OU community needs to seriously consider Baskin's suggestion that we pull together and work through the inevitable problems to the best of our ability.

The best way to achieve this is through open, honest and informed dialogue about all the issues that are pertinent to everyone who makes the OU campus part of their life.

Students should attend the Board of Trustees meetings where important decisions are made monthly, many of which have to do with how money is spent. If students are concerned with how money is spent or disagree with a decision that was made, there are avenues they can use to make their voices heard.

They can write to *The Oakland Post* and we'll publish a letter to the editor. Students can attend a Student Congress meeting or call the Board of Trustees' student liaisons who can then bring their concerns to the table when they meet with the Board at the beginning of each month.

There are enough administrators to go around. Students should feel comfortable dropping them an email expressing their feelings. All of their email addresses are listed in the OU phone directory.

And naturally these options aren't restricted to students. Anyone, including administrators, can write letters, or voice their concerns at a meeting.

If the whole community shows it's truly interested in the problems OU faces and the future of the university, then it can make a continued effort to work towards compromise and self-education.

Letters to the editor

Reader thinks BOT snubbed open meetings

Dear Editor,

Oakland's students may want to rethink where they've decided to spend their tuition money. I don't know what kind of education they can expect to receive from a university that has shown such a remarkable inability to learn its lesson.

In catching up with campus news online, I was disappointed to find that the Board of Trustees is again thumbing its nose at the spirit – and apparently the letter – of Michigan's open meeting law. It's outrageous that six members of the board gathered Jan. 15 for an unannounced, closed, and therefore secret, meeting to explore details of forthcoming state budget cuts.

This board knows better – or at least it should. It has been repeatedly sued, reprimanded and chastised for closing presidential searches, making decisions behind closed doors, holding substantial pre-decision discussions in secret, scheduling off-site planning retreats, withholding minutes and thwarting efforts to get public records by making them extraordinarily expensive. This imperious disregard for openness and accountability runs so deep in Oakland's history it qualifies, along with rock painting, as one of Oakland's few traditions.

When I was a student and editor-in-chief of *The Post* more than 10 years ago, we fought our own battles, circulated our own petitions and, I thought, finally, helped convince the board that open meetings and discussions were the very essence of a university. After all, the law does not require that any of these meetings be closed.

Ten years ago, today, the board passed a resolution pledging to keep its own meetings public and to open most other campus meetings. The Post dropped its open meetings lawsuit and I graduated thinking that we had plowed ground that would allow openness to thrive. But, clearly, the weeds of arrogance, secrecy and obfuscation are taking over again. I commend *The Oakland Post* for tending the garden and pulling them out.

Margaret O'Brien
OU alumna, former *Post* editor

.....

Dear Editor,

I am one of many students who pick up *The Oakland Post* every Wednesday to see what is happening, in the opinion of *The Post*, on campus. I am very dismayed every week to find negativity on the front page and the editorials. Although I understand the editors feel they have a duty to look out for the interests of students, it seems that negative stories are printed in much more gusto than others.

I personally tried to send a positive letter to the editor to thank participants on campus for a student organization fundraiser. I was told it would not be published due to the feeling that it promoted my student organization. This is wrong of the paper since its goal should be to promote students, organizations and OU in general, as well as tackling issues on campus that affect students, positively or negatively. Lately it seems

much of the articles have a negative slant to them, especially those on the front page. It would not hurt the journalistic integrity of *The Post* to have a headline that espoused something positive.

I hope that the editors and staff of *The Post* will start to showcase some of the many positive aspects of OU in the same light as their "investigative" stories.

Genaefer Hintz
Senior, History

.....

Dear Editor,

In the Feb. 5 opinion section, an individual advocated L. Ron Hubbard's book, "Clear Body, Clear Mind." All the "factual" books Hubbard wrote post-science fiction era are merely attempts to persuade readers to join the Church of Scientology he created in the 1950s.

Once in the church (the nearest being in Farmington Hills), "science technology" called Dianetics (a form of mind control) attempts to create pure awareness for an individual with multiple progressive levels of clearness existing.

Once a Scientologist reaches the third level this is the "truth" they discover:

A galactic federation founded 95 billion years ago solved overpopulation among its planets by throwing hundreds of billions of aliens into Earth and detonating H-bombs to kill them. The souls of the aliens lived and they now are clinging to our souls and impurifying us (www.b-org.demon.nl/scn/nl/english/ot3.html).

Of course, Hubbard knows how to get rid of these alien souls and "clean" us. There are at least 12 levels of clearness.

But the CoS is no church – it is a deceitful, lying, exploiting, brainwashing, moneymaking ploy that contorts rational ideas (unity etc.) to devious ends.

The danger comes from how CoS cult members manipulate new members to give away their time, money and sanity.

The Dianetics treatments mentioned above are expensive. Over \$350,000 must be spent to reach Level 7 "clearness." Few people can afford this, so the CoS allows people to work (sometimes children) up to 100-hour work weeks to subsidize the cost of treatment. There is at least one verified case of a woman dying from a treatment (www.lisafiles.com).

Further, enemies of the CoS can be "deprived of property or injured by any means by any Scientologist without any discipline of the Scientologist. (Enemies) may be tricked, sued or lied to or destroyed." This was in a document written by Hubbard himself. (www.clam-bake.org/fairgame-e.html).

This is only a microscopic portion of the insanity created by Hubbard, Dianetics, and the Church of Scientology.

Andrew Baker
OUCS legislator

.....

Dear Editor,

Danny Riley said our student body vice president "needs to pay more attention to the Constitution," (Feb. 5). The truth is Mr. Riley needs to pay more attention to the Supreme Court. He is correct that the right to privacy is not found explicitly

in the Constitution, but it has been claimed by the Supreme Court in a few cases, most noticeably, *Griswold v. Connecticut* (1965). The Court argued the right comes from a combination of amendments including the 1st (assembly provisions), 3rd (all), 4th (all), 5th (self incrimination), 9th (all), and 14th (to apply it to the states).

Privacy issues were revisited by the current court in *Kyllo v. United States* (2001). This case affirms the right to privacy in one's home and extends the protection against the use of certain high tech devices. What Mr. Riley and so many others have forgotten is that the Constitution is a living document that is continuously changing. In the words of a great professor I once had: "The Constitution does not mean what I say it means, and it does not mean what you say it means, it means what 5 of 9 Justices say it means." You will also find things that have been interpreted out of the Constitution such as the contract clause, which if still considered valid (however unlikely) by the Supreme Court, could technically allow for child labor and would make many current practices, such as minimum wage, illegal. Privacy, therefore, is just as much a part of our Constitution as the right to a fair trial (unless of course the Supreme Court changes its mind).

Jeremy Kopp
Junior, Political Science

.....

Dear Editor,

I am writing regarding the inability of drivers on campus to obey the posted speed limits. While I realize that the posted speed of 15 mph on Meadow Brook Drive between the dorms and the student apartments is slow, it is that slow for a reason. Seeing that this is a college campus, and that people who live on campus walk to and from class, it is dangerous to speed in this area. In addition to OU students, there is also married housing in the same area and some families have small children. I do not understand why that is so hard to comprehend. It may be possible that people think they are being rebellious, like Sammy Hagar protested in his song "I Can't Drive 55" but people can't even keep their speeds down to 25mph, which is the legal speed limit for a residential area. It might not be a bad idea for OUPD to patrol that area even more heavily. Granted not everyone majors in math, but I think everyone can play the match game: match the speed on the sign with the speed on your car's display.

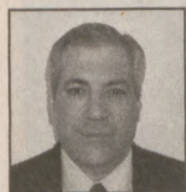
J. Robert Myers
Junior, history

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



FEATURED COLUMNISTS

Drug awareness must reach new high



SAMUEL LUCIDO

OUPD Chief

The OUPD's primary mission remains the protection of our entire campus community. We take this responsibility very seriously and we care about the personal safety of everyone.

We also believe awareness, education and prevention are the keys to enhancing personal safety and I am therefore always encouraged by the tremendous response we get from the campus community to our various outreach programs.

Consistent with that philosophy, we now want to focus attention on a critical issue we believe needs more awareness, and one that is causing us greater concern – the increased popularity and use of "Club/Predatory" drugs. Therefore, the OUPD has joined with and fully supports the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) recently announced national campaign entitled "Operation X-Out." The campaign is intended to promote awareness at high school and college campuses across the nation of the signifi-

cant dangers associated with these substances.

"Club/Predatory" is a collective term that is often used to describe a number of very dangerous substances. Research is showing that these drugs can have long lasting negative effects on the brain that can alter memory function and motor skills, and can even cause death. An additional danger is that these types of drugs are, for the most part, odorless and tasteless, especially when mixed with alcohol or a soft drink. The possibility of potential victims not even knowing they have ingested an extremely dangerous substance is very real – and very frightening.

Because of their somewhat unique characteristics, drugs of this type have been used to facilitate sexual assaults. Even in small doses, they can cause a hazy euphoria, reduced inhibitions and eventually the sedation of potential victims making them more vulnerable and less able to resist attack from a predator.

In large doses, the substances can cause insomnia, dizziness, hallucinations, seizures, decreased respiration, coma and even death. Due to memory problems associated with the ingestion of these drugs, potential victims may not even be aware that there was an assault until several hours after it occurred – if they remember it

at all. And, because the drugs are metabolized quickly, there may be little, if any, physical evidence that the drugs were used to facilitate an assault.

Unfortunately, the popularity of club drugs such as Ecstasy, GHB, Rohypnol and Ketamine is increasing. In fact, Ecstasy is one of the most significant drug threats facing America's young people today. The Drug Abuse Warning Network (DAWN) estimates that nationwide hospital emergency room visits related to the use of Ecstasy rose dramatically from 637 in 1997 to 5,542 in 2001.

These drugs are "Schedule 1" controlled substances in Michigan – the same category which includes such drugs as cocaine and heroin. Consequently, the illegal use, possession and delivery of them represent serious criminal offenses and can result in lengthy prison terms. It is also a federal offense to administer a controlled substance to someone for purposes of committing a sexual assault or other crime of violence.

What can members of our community do to protect themselves?

Don't accept drinks from people you don't know. Never leave your drink unattended – even for a moment. At a bar or nightclub, only accept drinks from the bartender or server and keep an eye on your friend and ask

him/her to watch out for you. If someone seems extremely intoxicated and they either did not have any alcohol, or a small amount of alcohol, one of these drugs may be involved.

What should one do when it appears that a friend may have ingested one of these drugs?

Obtain emergency medical assistance immediately. Prior to medical treatment, the strength of the dosage is most often unknown and can be potentially fatal.

If possible, maintain possession of beverages that may contain a drug. When seeking medical attention, ask to be tested (both blood and urine test) for these drugs immediately, since tests may not be effective in detecting a substance after a few hours.

Finally, if a person has been assaulted, contact the police.

Again, awareness and prevention are the keys to enhancing personal safety. In support of that effort, and in conjunction with Women's History Month at Oakland University and the Center for Student Activities, the OUPD is sponsoring a special presentation by DEA Special Agent Richard Isaacson from noon-1 p.m. on Thursday, March 13 in the Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center. Please attend and increase your awareness of these most important issues.

The Oakland Post

61 Oakland Center

Rochester, MI 48309

ANN ZANIEWSKI EDITOR IN CHIEF	DAN MCDUFFEE PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
GAYLE ISSA MANAGING/EDITORIAL EDITOR	MAREK OLECH PHOTOGRAPHY ASSISTANT
REBECCA WYATT CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR	KANIQUA DANIEL KRISTIE FAVRO PRODUCTION ASSISTANTS
ADAM L. NEAL LOCAL NEWS EDITOR	DANIELLE KHOURI ADVERTISING MANAGER
RANDY DUDEK ASSOCIATE EDITOR	JIM GAMMICCHIA ADVERTISING ASSISTANT
DERRICK SOBODASH ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR	BENJAMIN TEKELLY CIRCULATION MANAGER
LAURA ANGUS CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR	JANE BRIGGS-BUNTING FACULTY ADVISOR
SANDARELLA BATRES ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR	
BRENDAN STEVENS SPORTS EDITOR	
ADAM SPINDLER ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR	

Editor In Chief	(248) 370-4268
Managing Editor	(248) 370-2537
Campus News	(248) 370-4267
Local News	(248) 370-2848
Features	(248) 370-4266
Sports	(248) 370-4263
Photography	(248) 370-2849
Fax	(248) 370-4264

Send letters, comments, opinions and story ideas to editor@oakpostonline.com, and check us out on the web at www.oakpostonline.com

PETITION

continued from A7

Senate member, and also president of AAUP, told the Board to look at Michigan State University and see what it had done with the Board to make things more open, including having five faculty liaisons. Russell noted the faculty has made the request to the BOT in the past.

Although Baskin appeared willing to move forward, two of other trustees present were clearly angered by *The Post's* coverage and its accusations that the Board's January meeting was an apparent violation of the Open Meetings Act.

Trustee Penny Crissman said she has always abided by OMA and would never attend a meeting she thought was in violation of the act. She said she was extremely upset by the criminal complaints filed by *The Post* against the Board.

Trustee David Fischer said, "There's never been a better time to work together. When you talk about filing charges, it's inappropriate." He said the BOT is working in the best interest of the students and for the "betterment of the university."

As of press time, Zambardi had not responded to Fink's letter.

PROGRAM

continued from A1

faced with them.

"Reality OU: Real Life Experiences about Eating Disorders," which is sponsored by Graham Health Center, the OU Counseling Center and the Women's Issues Forum, will be held at 7 p.m. in Lake Superior Room A.

A panel of OU students who have battled eating disorders will be speaking about the disorders, what their lives were like and how to get help. A short film will be shown.

Earlier in the day, Graham Counseling Center will be offering eating disorder screenings, according to Kathy Pecha, BSN Nurse Educator.

Students can fill out a questionnaire for themselves or possibly a friend to learn if their eating habits put them at risk of developing an eating disorder or perhaps already having one.

For more information, contact Jean Ann Miller at (248) 370-2400.

RACE

continued from A1

Oakland initiative.

He said he doesn't think his lack of experience with Student Congress will be an impediment.

"OUSC does not have a monopoly on good ideas and talents. My dedication and energy would more than compensate for my perceived shortcomings. I'll hit the ground running," said McGuinness.

His first order of business would be to build more solid relationships with every member of OU's family including the Board of Trustees and OU President Gary Russi.

"We're all in one boat together. But my overarching goal is to simply make the Oakland experience better for every student. I would call upon any idea that is innovative to do that," he said.

In response to the looming budget cuts, he said, "Governor (Jennifer) Granholm has warned higher education to tighten its belt. Our administration would mirror the tight fiscal times, and we would run an economically prudent body."

He also added he would try to be influential in any BOT decisions with regards to tuition hikes or program cuts.

Other issues Parks and Lewis will look at if elected include the

lack of library resources and the under representation of minorities in the faculty. They said they would work closely with the BOT to improve the quality of the library as the budget allows.

Parks also wants to examine every way possible to keep OU money at home in order to steer the university through the tight budget crunch ahead.

He currently chairs OUSC's scholarship committee and is also the assistant to the president of the Association of Black Students.

Through his experience with ABS and OUSC he said he has learned how to manage his time, how to be a leader and organizational skills.

He said Lewis has a lot of experience. "We have a good balance because we have differing view points but we have come to a common ground."

One of Lewis' major goals is the launching of a club council. He hopes the creation of such a body will open up dialog between Student Congress and student organizations and establish better accountability.

McGuinness' describes his running mate, Sarah Cook, junior saying, "We have a great rapport and work dynamic. We like to

challenge each other and I know that will foster good results."

Cook, a political science major, said, "I think we're very capable both personally and as leaders. I care very much about OU, and we both saw this as an opportunity to expand the usefulness of Student Congress for the student body and be a voice and advocate for students."

Lewis has held several positions on Student Congress, the most recent being the disciplinary chair in charge of making sure that legislators' work standards are up to par.

He is also the secretary of his fraternity, Sigma Pi.

He said his experience holds him in good stead for the position of vice president.

"I know what works and what doesn't work."

"I don't like the term suitcase campus. I know the majority of students are commuters, but general OU activity is low. I would like to see more events and bigger events."

Paul Franklin, director of Campus Programs will mediate next week's debate.

WAR

continued from A1

There are more costs than just money however.

According to Shor, the human costs of warfare have increased astronomically during the 20th century. Shor said at the turn of the century, civilian casualties were as low as 6 percent. By the end, it was closer to 60 percent.

An activist group, The Raging Grannies Without Borders (www.geocities.com/raginggranni/), was present to bring the human element of the argument to the teach-in.

The Grannies raised the question of how incomprehensible it is to be considering a course of action that could result in the loss of millions of lives.

But other speakers disagreed with such an emotional appeal.

"We have a philosophical, moral and ethical imperative to improve the lives of the people of Iraq," Peter Trumbore, professor of political science, said. "I would say that of all the options available to us to bring about a change in that government, the one likely to have the least cost is the one that we're currently pursuing — a war to overthrow the government."

Trumbore said the people of Iraq have absolutely no chance of overthrowing their government without any help.

"If we believe the United States has some responsibility to help (the people of Iraq) have a better future, then what options are left to us," he asked.

Others do not share this view. Alan Epstein, professor of political science, suggested relaxing sanctions might help weaken the current Iraqi regime.

"We might not have to play a quote unquote civilizing mission, which is ... the 21st century version of imperialism," Epstein said. "No longer are we Christianizing the natives, now we're simply exercising global leadership."

Epstein wants to see world governments pursue legal ways of handing the situation.

Regardless of which solution attendees supported, the teach-in focused on learning about the issue and asking the tough questions TV media outlets haven't.

Simons said, "These are the kinds of questions that have to be asked in order to come to a better understanding."

SPAM

continued from A7

energetic" in opposing any anti-spam legislation because its customers are the junk email people.

According to Mozena, there is also no law against spammers hitting .edu, .gov or .mil email address, but there has never been a court case regarding it either. However, he noted that some spammers do pull .gov, .edu and .mil address out of their lists because they don't want to be a test case.

OU's IT department does not do anything right now to block spam from getting to students.

"We will take action only when email is used as a 'denial of service' attack. A denial of service attack is when someone attempts to flood the email system with email, all at one time, with the intent of bringing down the email system and making the system unavailable for all users. It has nothing to do with the message or subject, it just has to do with volume and timing and our obligation to make sure that the email system is available for all who need it," Rowe said.

MASTERS

continued from A3

ence where they work with a supervising teacher and have the opportunity to run the classroom," said Dr. Shannon Flumerfelt, a lecturer and coordinator with the MAT program, as well as the Associate Principal at Andover High School in Bloomfield Hills.

Flumerfelt also explained that the MAT program is a cohort, which means that once a student has entered the program and determined a major and minor, they are required to follow the outlines of the program. Students must follow a predetermined class schedule.

For Bikson, the cohort program has been beneficial because students are with the same group throughout their education and provide one another with a support system.

Currently, all classes are being held at schools in the Bloomfield Hills School District. Flumerfelt believes that the classroom setting at middle schools and high schools helps students get accustomed to the school environment.

The MAT program contin-

ues to grow with an additional cohort at the Macomb Intermediate School District in Clinton Township scheduled to begin in Fall 2003.

A meeting will be held on April 8 at 5 p.m. at the Macomb ISD for those who wish to attend classes at the Clinton Township location.

"There is definitely an interest, and people from all walks of life and circumstances who have gone through a personal journey to make life more meaningful see teaching as a way to find fulfillment. I think the program has a bright future," Flumerfelt said.

According to the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment for secondary school teachers through 2010 is expected to increase at the average rate, with math and science teachers in the highest demand.

For further information about the Master of Arts in Teaching or for an informational packet, contact the Professional Development Office at (248) 370-3033.

BILL

continued from A5

intent on enforcing equal rights and affirmative action."

Some student governments and national organizations have shown support for the bill to repeal the drug provision such as the NAACP, National Education Association, American Civil Liberties Union as well as student governments from MSU, Ohio State, Columbia and Yale among others.

Gaines said it is unfair for students to be punished twice

for the same mistake.

"Students have already suffered the criminal consequences. To have a penalty restricting education is just sickening," he said.

A vote on the bill has not yet been scheduled in the House of Representatives and has not been out of committee yet. Coverage of the HEA reform effort and other drug policy news can be found at www.drcnet.org.

SAFETY

continued from A5

features without being forced to because it shows that they care about their product," she said.

Dr. Nadine Levick of the Harlem Hospital in New York is the only safety researcher in the U.S. to conduct ambulance crash tests. She said the rear portion has "minimal if any structural crashworthiness features that relate to impact." She also said no one really studies the patient restraint systems in ambulances anyway.

The CDC said too few paramedics use seat belts in the back of ambulances because they restrict movement. Even when the belts are used, it could make it impossible for the medics to get to equipment or patients so they are frequently unbuckled and rebuckled. This lack of safety restraints could harm not only the workers in a crash but the patients, too.

Driver fatigue is also a problem among ambulance drivers.

Brian McGuire, an ambulance safety teacher based out of Maryland, said distractions are a large cause of ambulance accidents.

"It's hard to imagine a vehicle with more potential distractions than an ambulance," he said. Not only is the vehicle full of noisy medics, but the driver's area houses a computer and multiple radios, as well as light and siren controls, according to McGuire.

The driver not only has to control the ambulance with all these distractions, but has to make quick decisions about proceeding through red light, going through busy intersections and watching for traffic.

She said ambulances have no place to put a car seat, so young children go virtually unrestrained. When an ambulance does pick up a small child, it uses make shift restraints like putting a pillow between the child and the safety belt or buckling the child in with a medic or parent, according to Campbell.

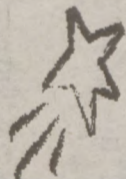
Fred Goltz, freshman, said this needs to be changed.

"They have an obligation to provide medical care to everyone. Not being equipped to take care of children means not being able to do their jobs," he said.

The CDC said more than 300 ambulance crashes occurred between 1990-2000, killing more than 350 people and seriously injuring about 3,500 people a year and found that most of these injuries and deaths could have been prevented. The CDC also found ambulances have a fatality rate 50 percent higher than that of fire trucks and police cars.

She said the NHSTA has "no immediate plans to strengthen ambulance regulations," though it has agreed to consider the issue.

VISIT WWW.OAKPOSTONLINE.COM



CENTER FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES

49 Oakland Center, Rochester, MI 48309-4401 * 248-370-2400 * csa@oakland.edu * www.oakland.edu/currentstudents/csa

Women's History Month @ Oakland University * March 7 - April 13, 2003

"OUR Bodies, OURselves"

Wednesday, March 12
Women's Resources & Career Opportunities Fair
11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. -- Fireside Lounge, OC
Sponsored by Women's Studies

Thursday, March 13
"Love Your Body" Day
11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. -- Fireside Lounge, OC
Sponsored by Women's Issues Forum

Presentation on "Respect Yourself, Respect Others. Club Drugs Don't."
Richard Isaacson, Special Agent, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), US Department of Justice
Noon-1:00 p.m. -- Fireside Lounge, OC
Sponsored by Oakland University Police Department

Reality OU: Real-Life Experiences about Eating Disorders
7:00 p.m. -- Lake Superior Room A, OC
Sponsored by Graham Health Center, OU Counseling Center & Women's Issues Forum

Monday, March 17
Mini-Conference on Women, Economics, Equality and Justice
Noon-1:00 p.m. -- Heritage Room, OC
Sponsored by Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Honors College & Women's Studies

OU Spring Blood Drive
April 7-9, 2003

Make an Appointment by calling: (248) 370-2400 or
going to the CSA Webpage and clicking on Spring Blood Drive.

And now for something completely fun and free!!!

That 60's-70's-80's Karaoke Show

Tuesday, March 18
8:00 p.m. in Vandenberg Dining Center, VBH

Happy Crafts and Free Billiards

Wednesday, March 19
8:00 p.m. in Bumpers Game Room, OC

The 20th Annual OU Photography Contest

Entry forms and rules are available at the CSA Office, 49 OC for the contest. Photos will be displayed April 14-16 in the Fireside Lounge, OC. There are two categories: 1) Black and White, and 2) Color. First and second place prizes will be awarded in each category: 1st Place - \$150; 2nd Place - \$100. The entry deadline will be April 11.



AT THE CSA SERVICE WINDOW

Reservations for:

CSA has arranged for discount tickets to be made available for the following shows and events for the entire OU Community.

- Detroit Pistons vs Philadelphia 76ers (March 20)
- Don Giovanni (April 30)
- Joffrey Dance Company (May 8)
- Beauty and the Beast (May 15 & 18)
- Die Fledermaus (May 16 & 21)
- Dead Man Walking (June 11 & 13)

Tickets for:

- Akanke Reggae Dance (March 14)
- Barbara Ehrenreich Lecture (March 20)

Sign-up for:

- CSA Annual Leadership Retreat (March 14-15)
- SPB Trip to Toronto (March 20-23)
- Affirmative Action March (March 31-April 1)

The Student Life Lecture Board Presents:

Barbara Ehrenreich

She is a political essayist and social critic and author of the best selling book

Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America

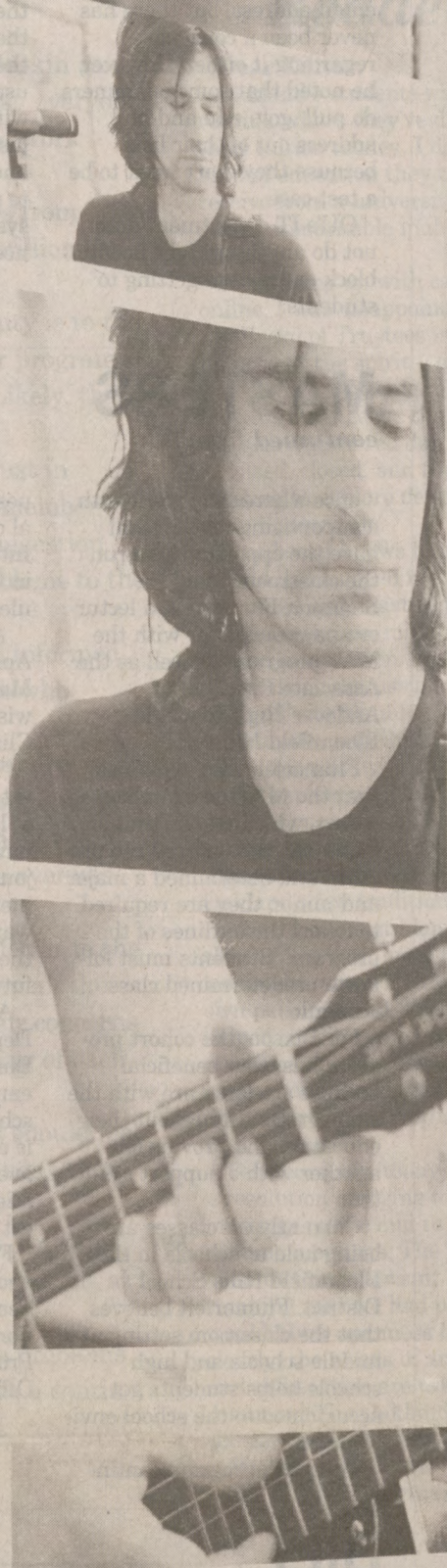
Thursday, March 20, 2003

Noon in Varner Recital Hall, Varner Hall
Admission is free but tickets are required.

Tickets are now available at the CSA Service Window.

PETE YORN LIVE

GET 2 FREE TICKETS
AND MEET PETE.



GO TO ATTWIRELESS.COM/MEETPETE



❖ Hear the band,
shake Pete's hand.

sign up for a qualified
mLife Local plan

get
two tickets to see Pete Yorn live
and meet him after the show

also get
unlimited night & weekend minutes
and up to
600 anytime minutes
with
nationwide long distance included
all from your Home Service Area

\$39.⁹⁹ a month

plus get a
FREE PHONE after mail-in rebate.
Sales tax applies to original purchase price

add mMode for internet access to Pete's
music, his tour and more

GO TO ATTWIRELESS.COM/MEETPETE

mLife... your mobile life made better



AT&T Wireless Stores

AUBURN HILLS
3922 Baldwin Rd.
(By Great Lakes Crossing)
248 745-3806

NOVI
43267 Crescent Blvd.
(In the Novi Town Center)
248 347-1843

LAKESIDE MALL
14600 Lakeside Circle
(Upper level by Marshall Field's)
586 254-0506

TWELVE OAKS MALL
27304-X Novi Road
(Near JC Penney)
248 449-9092

MADISON HEIGHTS
32800 John R. Rd.
(Next to Toys R Us)
248 589-2770

BIRMINGHAM
34200 Woodward Ave.
(South of 15 1/2 Mile Rd.)
248 583-8579

Important Information

An additional monthly \$1.75 Regulatory Program Fee will be added to your bill for each line of service to help fund AT&T Wireless compliance with various government mandated programs. This is not a tax or a government required charge.
© 2003 AT&T Wireless. All Rights Reserved. Requires new activation on a qualified plan \$39.99 or above, credit approval, valid credit or debit card, a \$36 activation fee, minimum one-year agreement, compatible device and up to a \$175 cancellation fee. Not available for purchase or use in all areas. Usage is rounded up to the next full minute. Unused monthly minute allowances lost. Sending text messages, roaming, additional minute and long distance charges, universal connectivity charge, surcharges, other restrictions, charges and taxes apply. Availability and reliability of service are subject to transmission limitations. Not available with other offers. Offers available for a limited time. You will be bound by the General Terms and Conditions and other printed materials. **Free Ticket Offer:** Two tickets and passes per each qualified activation and phone purchase. Phone must be active on AT&T Wireless service for 30 days. Offer available for a limited time or until supplies last. Other restrictions apply. See store or www.attwireless.com/meetpete for details. **mMode:** mMode not available on all devices, rate plans or available for purchase or use in all areas. Additional monthly service and usage charges and other conditions apply. **Night and Weekend Minutes:** Available on calls placed from the Home Service Area and applicable long distance charges additional. Night and Weekend airtime is from 9:00 pm - 5:59 am M-F; and F 9:00 pm - M 5:59 am. **Nationwide Long Distance:** No wireless long distance charges apply to calls placed from your Home Service Area to anywhere in the 50 United States. Standard airtime charges apply. **Nokia 3590 \$100 Mail-In Rebate:** Phone and service must be active for 30 days and when rebate is processed. Allow 8-10 weeks for rebate check. See rebate form for full details. mMode not available with this phone.

Women lose in Mid-Con final

Free throws in final minute cost OU game

By BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

A devastating 48-46 loss to Valparaiso University Tuesday night in the Mid-Con Conference Tournament Championship dashed the OU women's basketball team's hopes of returning to the NCAA Tournament.

The women defeated the University of Missouri in Kansas City Monday night, 81-62, in the quarter finals and Chicago State University, 60-52, Saturday in the semi-finals to advance to the championship game.

With less than eight seconds remaining in the game, VU guard Katie Boone, who was named the tournament's MVP, hit two free throws to field the Crusader's victory.

OU called a time out after crossing half court with less than four seconds remaining to diagram a player. Senior guard Romica Clint drove to the basket, penetrated and passed the ball to senior guard Katie Wolfe behind the three-point line.

Wolfe never had a good look at the basket, and her final attempt was released after the buzzer.

In the first half, the Grizzlies set an all-time tournament low by scoring only 14 points.

OU shot only 21.7 percent from the floor in the first half, but was able to keep its half-time deficit to only nine points by containing VU's offense for most of the half.

While maintaining defensive intensity throughout the half and holding the Crusaders under 27 percent shooting, the Grizzlies were able to climb back into the game.

OU battled back to tie the game numerous times in the second half but could never take the lead.

After finally tying the game with more than four minutes remaining, the Grizzlies could not take the next step to jump ahead. It was a significant change for OU, who had led most of its previous two games.

"I'm proud of my team," OU head coach Eileen Shea-Hilliard said. "I thought we fought back. I thought we played hard on a night where we were having trouble buying a basket."

Clint led all scorers in her final game

as a Grizzly with 15 points, but only shot five of 14 from the floor. Clint also had a game-high five assists in her finale.

"We kind of got a little overly anxious toward the end because we had such a good comeback," Clint said. "I think we probably should have taken our time a bit more. We, myself included, rushed things."

Freshman guard Jayme Wilson tallied 11 points and was the only other OU player with a double-digit point total.

In Wolfe's final game in OU black and gold, she struggled for the field, hitting only two of her 16 attempts. She ended the game with nine points.

"They (VU) played good defense, but I think I got a couple good looks, too, that I should have knocked down," Wolf said. "Their whole team played really well."

Sophomore forward Amanda Batcha dominated in the paint by grabbing 16 rebounds, but the Grizzlies were still out-boarded by the Crusaders, 39-37.

Wolfe and Wilson were named to the All-Tournament team.

Wilson scored 48 points, dished out nine assists, hauled in 11 rebounds and recorded two steals in three games through the course of the tournament.

In her final campaign, Wolfe scored a total of 70 points, grabbed 20 rebounds, had six assists and snagged four steals. She played all but four minutes in OU's three tournament games.

Monday's semifinal contest against second-seeded CSU offered an interesting matchup for the Grizzlies that Wolfe characterized as "kind of like playing ourselves."

"They have a lot of guards, we have a lot of quick guards," Wolfe said. "We just had to be on top of our game. It was a good matchup."

The two teams played it close, with OU taking a small two-point lead into halftime, 28-26. Neither team pulled away, but the Grizzlies were able to outshoot the Cougars in the second half to earn a date with Valparaiso in the finals.

"We did a nice job defensively in both halves," Shea-Hilliard said. "I think we had a better offensive flow and were a lot more aggressive in the second half. We talked at halftime about needing to go out there and be warriors, and I think that's what we did."

Shea-Hilliard said that the bench players also contributed quality minutes. Junior forward Sarah Yaksich had four rebounds and four points in 27 minutes, and sophomore guard Nicole Randolph grabbed three boards and tallied two points in 17 minutes of action.

Wolfe had a mediocre shooting night, just 7-of-14 from the field, but still led all scorers with 20 points. Wilson followed closely behind with 19 points.

OU had a small advantage in rebounding, 37-35, including 12 by Batcha.

In the 19-point win over third-seeded UMKC on Saturday, Wolfe set a Mid-Con women's tournament record with 41 points, breaking OU graduate Sarah Judd's record of 38, set in last year's event.

"(Judd) is a great player, and obviously we miss her," Wolfe said. "But I'm not out to go break all of her records. I just go out and play my game, and whatever happens, happens."

Wolfe played 38 minutes of the game, and even with an injured ankle suffered midway through the first half, barely slowed down for a second. She scored 14 of the team's first 19 points to help OU jump out to a lead early in the first half.

"Katie Wolfe obviously proved why the coaches voted her one of the best in the conference," UMKC head coach Dana Eikenberg said. "She was bound and determined to take her team on her back. She single-handedly taught our young guys and old guys a lesson."

Thanks to Wolfe's early outburst, the Grizzlies led by as many as 13 in the first half, but the Kangaroos refused to go quietly, fighting back to take a two-point lead with more than four minutes to play before the half.

But OU went on an 8-2 run to end the half, taking a four-point lead into the locker

room. In the second half, Wilson joined Wolfe in leading the Grizzlies, as the duo scored 35 of the team's 44 points.

Wilson, who grew up in nearby Shawnee, Kansas, finished with 13



Jose Juarez/The Oakland Press

OU freshman guard Jayme Wilson drives past Chicago State's Bridgette Kelly in the Grizzlies' Mid-Con Semifinal victory over the second-ranked Cougars.

points, 11 of which came in the second half, adding six assists.

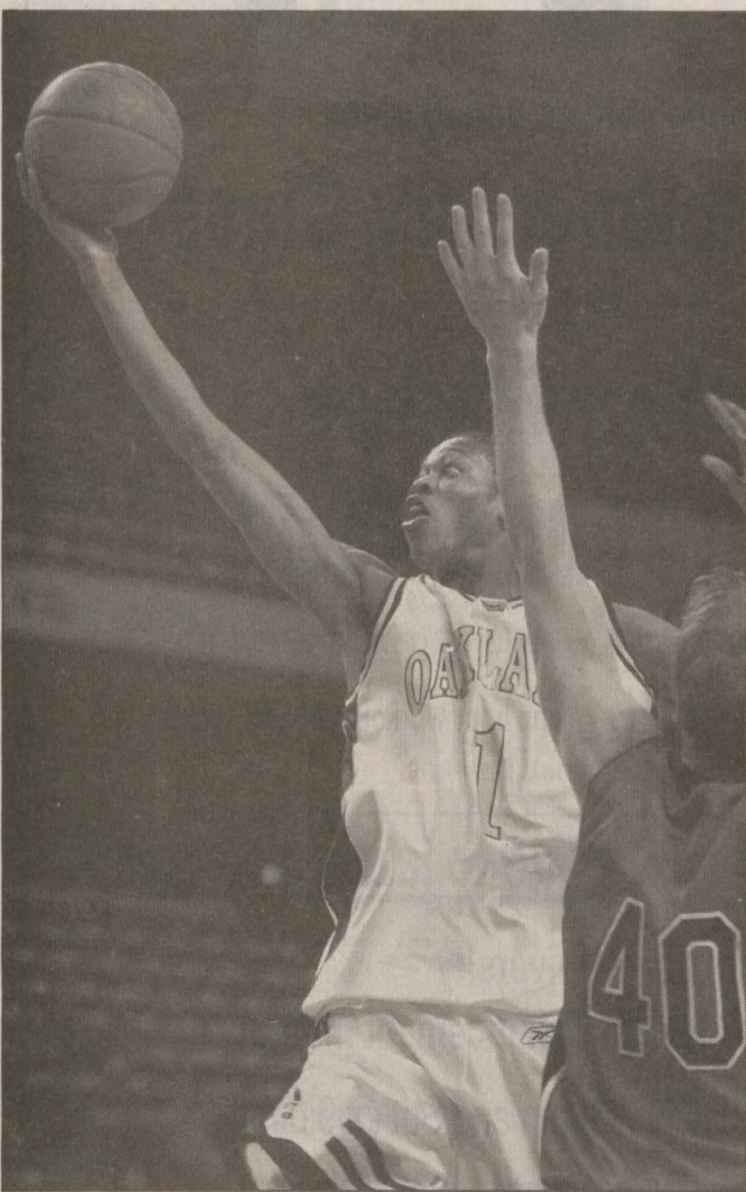
"It's great to come back home and win," Wilson said. "Of course, it's great to win anytime, but especially in front of my friends and family."

Batcha and Wolfe helped the Grizzlies

garner a 32-26 rebounding advantage, hauling in nine boards each in a victory that advanced OU to the semifinals.

OU finished the season with a 13-17 record overall and will only lose two seniors, Wolfe and Clint.

Men make early exit in quarterfinals



Jose Juarez/The Oakland Press

Sophomore Guard Rawle Marshall goes to the hoop over Southern Utah's Robbie Warren in Sunday's Mid-Con quarterfinal. The Grizzlies fell behind early and lost to the Thunderbirds, 66-55.

By BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

This year was supposed to be different for the OU men's basketball team. But a 66-55 loss to Southern Utah University in the first round of the Mid-Con Conference Tournament is much too familiar.

In last year's post-season tournament, OU faltered against IUPUI, losing 90-84 in the opening round. That team had four 1,000-point scorers in their lineup, but the Grizzlies had a fairly cold shooting night and lacked on the defensive end.

This year's squad of all Division I recruits had just begun to gel as the regular season came to a close, winning 10 of their last 12 games. A potent offense and a much-improved defense meant high expectations for this year's Mid-Con Tournament.

It was all for naught, however, when this year's team suffered the same fate as its predecessor, courtesy of a horrid shooting performance and lethargic defense.

"You guys watched it as much as I did," said head coach Greg Kampe. "They just killed us. From the beginning to the end, they had more energy, they were smarter, they played harder, they out-performed us, they out-thought us. There was nothing in that game that was anything but all Southern Utah."

The Grizzlies shot only 34.5 percent from the field, while SUU converted on 62 percent of their shots, including a 7-of-10

outing from three-point range.

"We just didn't get the ball inside like we usually do," said junior guard Mike Helms. "Once you get it inside and get easy shots, then they have to play the inside, which leaves (the shooters) wide open. But I don't think we realized that until it was too late."

OU's woes were personified in Helms, the nation's third-leading scorer, who tallied only eight points and was exposed on defense in the first half when he picked up three fouls.

SUU guard Jay Collins said the Thunderbirds came into the game wanting to shut down Helms and force the other players to step up.

"They have a lot of good players on their team, but it's always tougher to shoot the ball when you have to make shots," Collins said. "We wanted to get in their heads a little bit, and make them think they had to make it."

In the first four minutes of the game, the Grizzlies looked as though they were having minor difficulties finding their stride, but that may have been because five of their first eight attempts were three-point shots.

Things quickly snowballed for OU, however, when SUU guard Donnie Jackson hit a three-point shot to put the Thunderbirds ahead by eight with less than 14 minutes to play in the first half.

In the next nine minutes, a made free throw by sophomore forward Cortney Scott would be the Grizzlies' only point, as SUU opened up a commanding 23-

point lead. The Thunderbirds went scoreless for the remainder of the half, allowing the Grizzlies to cut the deficit to 17 at the half.

With just more than 15 minutes remaining, and trailing by 20, an unlikely spark emerged for the Grizzlies. Freshman guard John Floyd scored nine straight points on three consecutive makes from behind the arc to pull OU within 11.

SUU pushed the lead back to 17 points, but the Grizzlies continued to claw back and cut the deficit below double-digits with more than five minutes remaining, 54-45.

Once within striking distance, however, OU again faltered, failing to score until there was more than a minute left to play, and trailing by 13 points.

The Thunderbirds made their final four free throws, to seal the win and advance to the next round of the Tournament.

Sophomore guard Rawle Marshall led the Grizzlies with 16 points, and also grabbed eight rebounds. Scott and Floyd were the only other OU players to reach double figures, with 13 and 11 points, respectively.

One of the differences in the game was Helms' poor outing, as his point total was nearly 20 points below his average. The Mid-Con Player of the Year and conference scoring leader shot just 3 of 12 from the field, including two of eight from 3-point range.

Kampe said that Helms did not play up to the standards he has set for himself.

"He wasn't the (conference) Player of the Year in today's game," Kampe said. "This is what I told him after the game: 'this is the showcase, this is the big stage, this is Broadway, and if you are player of the year in this league, you make plays.'"

The Grizzlies did out-rebound the Thunderbirds 32-26. Scott led the team with nine rebounds and junior forward Kelly Williams hauled in seven boards.

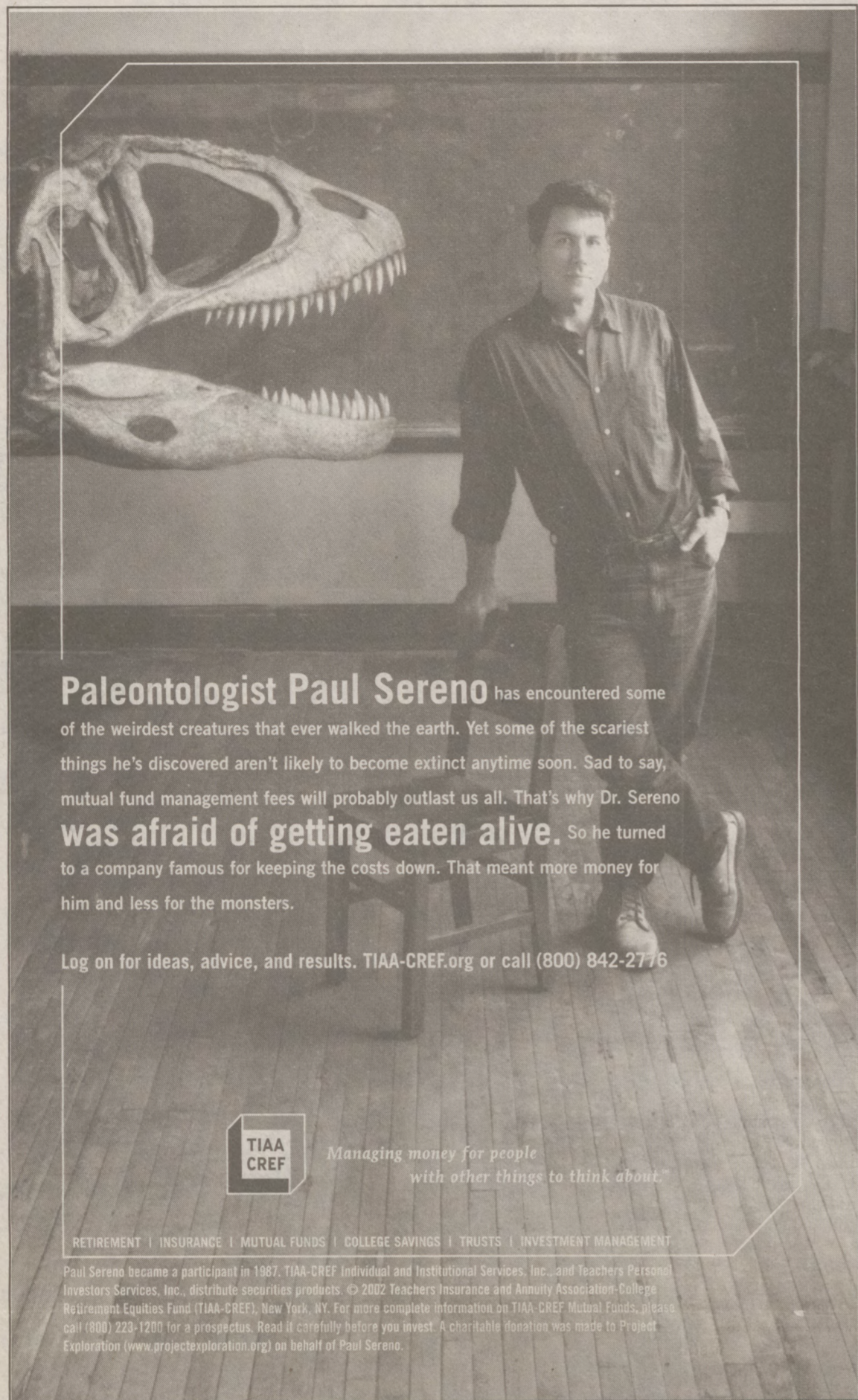
Even with back-to-back disappointments, Kampe cannot help but be optimistic about next year's potential, although he must be wary.

"When I say there are problems, we have to figure out what they are and get them fixed," Kampe said, "because that's going to be hanging over our heads next year."

"We had a chance to be the best team I've ever had, and I've had some good teams. But when we come in here next year, wherever it is, that's going to be hanging over our heads."

Scott, the team's emotional leader, said that he's going to urge his teammates to take a renewed conviction into the off-season.

"Personally, I think it's a learning process for all of us," Scott said. "We've seen what we can't do, that's for sure, coming into the Tournament. We have to work twice as hard in the off-season to get our team in conditioned shape, so when the season starts up, Coach doesn't have to run us and make us work twice as hard."



Paleontologist Paul Sereno has encountered some of the weirdest creatures that ever walked the earth. Yet some of the scariest things he's discovered aren't likely to become extinct anytime soon. Sad to say, mutual fund management fees will probably outlast us all. That's why Dr. Sereno **was afraid of getting eaten alive.** So he turned to a company famous for keeping the costs down. That meant more money for him and less for the monsters.

Log on for ideas, advice, and results. TIAA-CREF.org or call (800) 842-2776

**TIAA
CREF**

*Managing money for people
with other things to think about.*

RETIREMENT | INSURANCE | MUTUAL FUNDS | COLLEGE SAVINGS | TRUSTS | INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

Paul Sereno became a participant in 1987. TIAA-CREF Individual and Institutional Services, Inc., and Teachers Personal Investors Services, Inc., distribute securities products. © 2002 Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association-College Retirement Equities Fund (TIAA-CREF), New York, NY. For more complete information on TIAA-CREF Mutual Funds, please call (800) 223-1200 for a prospectus. Read it carefully before you invest. A charitable donation was made to Project Exploration (www.projectexploration.org) on behalf of Paul Sereno.

Unmistakably Italian, & Unbelievably Good.

Enjoy generous portions of contemporary Italian entrees including Salmone alla Griglia & Papa's signature Sizzlelini.™

Complement your meal with Papa's extensive wine selection to suit every occasion.

Papa Vinos
ITALIAN KITCHEN


1317 Coolidge Rd. ~ Troy ~ 248-458-0642
3900 Center Point Pkwy. ~ Pontiac ~ 248-333-3606
33577 Van Dyke Rd. ~ Sterling Heights ~ 586-978-8820
17107 Haggerty Rd. ~ Northville ~ 248-449-4664

RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED
Sunday-Thursday 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Friday-Saturday 11:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.

The Oakland Post has positions opening at the end of the school year and is taking applications. If interested please call Ann at (248) 370-4268!!!

Oakland University Student Congress Presents

OU Day at the Capital



March 19th, 2003

**We provide the transportation!
We provide the food!
And you get all the fun!**

Spend a day in Lansing and meet your legislators. Attend a live session of the MI House of Representatives. Have lunch with Legislators and Representatives. Also, watch President Gary Russi testify on behalf of OU Students.

SIGN UP IN THE STUDENT CONGRESS OFFICE TODAY!
62 Oakland Center
(Last day to sign up is March 17th, 2003)

For more information contact x4290 or e-mail Sumeera Younis at perfectlie7@aol.com

jazzercise®

cardio strength stretch



This coupon entitles you to enjoy

One Complimentary Class

AND

Unlimited Classes

For just \$7.00 a week!

(10 Week Minimum Purchase. Expires 3/31/03. Limit 2 customers per coupon!)

This will be the most FUN and Effective one hour workout you will ever try!

CALL (248)582-8463 or go to jazzercise.com

**Oakland University
Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute**

Mon, Tues, Thurs @ 6:30pm and Sat @ 9:00am

Student/Faculty Discounts are Available

fresh moves | new music | pure motivation

Students rockin' the stage

By SANDARELLA BATRES
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

OU student bands are hitting Michigan by storm. Sometimes being a student and a musician is tough, but they say the response from their audience keeps them going.

Lou Basquez, 22, senior, started a Tex Mex band called Authority so he can "do his own thing." Authority has been together for about a year.

The band plays Hispanic music so most of its songs are in Spanish, but there are a few in English.

The group consists of six members. Basquez plays the accordion and is the only band member who attends OU.

He has been playing in bands since he was 18 years old. "At \$100 a night, it's extra money," said Basquez.

He likes having his own band rather than being part of someone else's because it allows him to perform to music he enjoys.

The largest crowd Authority has gathered is around 1,000 people, he said.

"I get a rush when I go out there," said Basquez.

Authority has performed at Galnes, a bar and restaurant located in southwest Detroit. It has also performed in Toledo and Chicago.

"We're booked up until New Year's," said Basquez.

Students can catch Authority on May 5 at the Cinco de Mayo festival in downtown Detroit. The band will be performing outside of Galnes.

Authority is working on a putting together a CD, so students should keep their ears open for its release.

Basquez says he's not sure if he wants to make a full-time career with the band. Nothing will be decided until he finishes school.

"The band can be here one day but out the next," said Basquez.

He graduates next year with a degree in secondary education, Spanish teaching.

"Right now, I'm going with the flow," said Basquez.

One of the benefits of being part of the band is that it makes him feel good when his audience gives him a great response.

Towbey Kassa, senior, said he prefers going solo.

T-Kay, his onstage name, is a hip-hop rapper waiting for his chance to show the world what he can do.

Kassa has played at Kodiak Bar, Voodoo Lounge, Hayloft Liquor Stand, Emerald Ballroom in Mt. Clemens, XS in downtown Detroit and Have a Nice Day Café in Pontiac. He writes his own music.

Kassa is in the process of recording a demo CD with producer Mike Eclark. The CD will be released to record labels between April and May.

"That's the best part," said Kassa. "If I have a shi**y day, I write about it. If it's a good day,



Above: Jarod Facknitz, junior, poses with brother Jeremy for their band Standing Room Only. Below: Towbey Kassa, senior, also known as T-Kay, performs.

it's easy to write about that, too, and make something out of it."

His lyrics talk about going out and having a good time, girls and past and present relationships.

Kassa was part of a band called "Mid Coast Blaze" for three

years, but a lot of disagreements split the group up, he said. One of the benefits of having a band is if Kassa became nervous, other members were there to help him out, he said.

He enjoys being a solo artist because he said he can let loose more of his own creative ideas.

"It's my idea, my lyrics, no one can get mad at you," said Kassa.

"Music helps me get away from everyday B.S." said Kassa.

Kassa graduates in May with a Communication degree.

Besides his music, he plays lacrosse for OU, coaches the sport to a Troy High School lacrosse team and interns with the Detroit Pistons in media relations.

He said it would be cool if more

students came to OU sporting events.

The degree is something to fall back on if his music career doesn't work out.

"I'm going to use my degree to the fullest, but if I blow-up, I'll go do that," said Kassa.

Future performances include St. Andrews Hall and the State Theater in Detroit, Sevin in Pontiac and Emerald Ballroom in upcoming months.

Brothers Jeremy, 25, and Jarod, 20, Facknitz are hitting Borders bookstores and coffee shops in various places around Michigan as well as Chicago, Cincinnati and Nashville.

Standing Room Only, an acoustic duo was previously part of a band, the Ottomans for five years.

The brothers split from the group so that they can write and play music that came from their heart and soul.

"At coffee shops, the audience is

so more attentive," said Jeremy.

The brothers are not looking to their music as a way to hit stardom, just to be able to play to make enough money to earn a living.

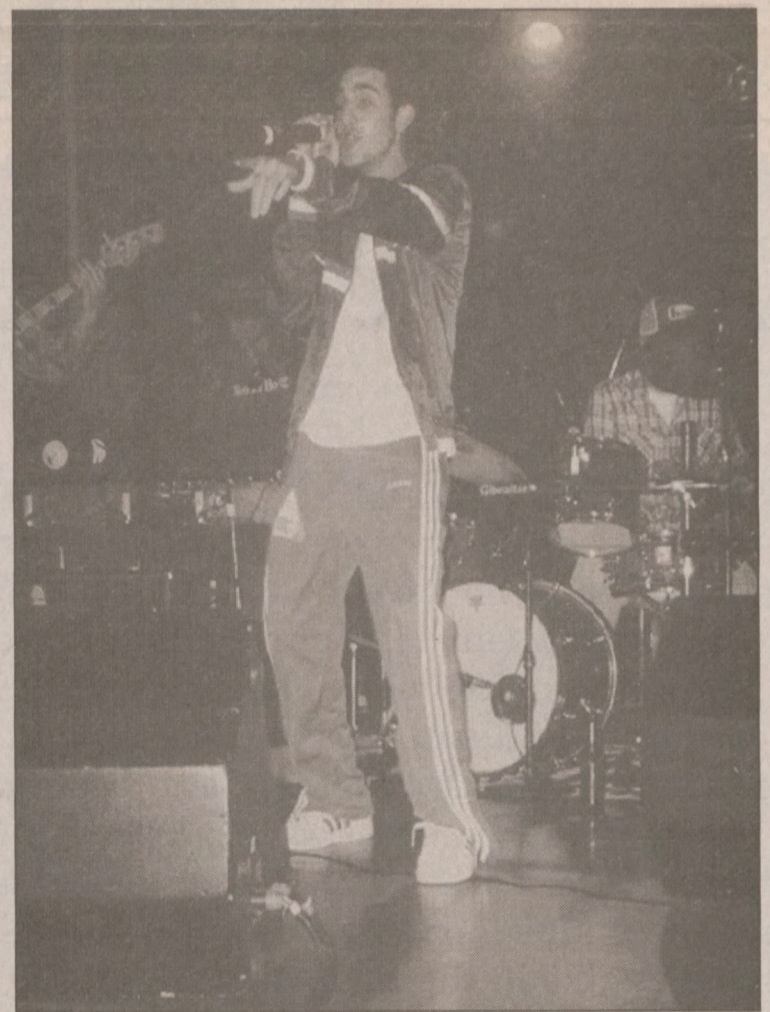
Jeremy attended Specs Howard Broadcasting for radio and has been a deejay at Champs in Troy for four years.

Jarod, junior, a Communication major hopes to use his degree to earn some money, but he's more into pursuing music as a full time career.

Balancing school and a band isn't tough for young Facknitz. Most shows are booked over the weekend and his classes are scheduled only on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The brothers' goal is to have a cult of followers who enjoy their music and can relate to it. SRO said having fans who listen to each song and search for the meaning is far more gratifying than earning a lot of for performing.

Check out Standing Room Only at 8 p.m. on April 4 at the All That Java Cafe in Fenton and at 7 p.m. on April 11 at Good Beans Café in Flint.



Women's careers on display

The Women's Studies program will host a women's resources and career opportunities fair from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. today in Fireside Lounge in the Oakland Center.

The fair will introduce students to women's services at OU and in the surrounding communities.

"The reason for the fair is to give students that chance to meet people at women's social agencies where they could intern or work, and to meet people at OU offering women services," said Suzanne Spencer-Wood, associate professor of anthropology.

The social agencies will have tables set up in Fireside Lounge displaying programs they offer.

According to Spencer-Wood, each agency will present what it offers or what opportunities students have for employment or internships.

"This Fair gives women the opportunity to meet future employers and get

the opportunity to see the types of jobs out there," said Sarah Buckland, junior and president of the Women's Issues Forum.

All students are welcome, but she said it is helpful to students interested in volunteering or interning at the agencies that are present.

"Women's Studies majors especially, and minors also, are urged to take an internship course that could involve interning at any of the attending women's social agencies," Spencer-Wood said.

"The career and employment opportunities for women studies graduates are potentially excellent, in view of society's growing awareness of gender and equity issues," Buckland said.

— Rebecca Wyatt,
Campus News Editor

Musicians show stuff

By LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Students will get a unique opportunity to learn together during the Music, Theatre and Dance Department's Composers' Forum at 8 p.m. on Thursday in Varner Recital Hall.

Audience members will be able to hear the work of students in the Music Composition program, as part of their requirement to have pieces performed during the Forums, according to Dr. Lettie Alston, associate professor of music composition.

Another Composers' Forum is scheduled for April 17.

"It's important for composers to hear their music live," she said. "It's a learning experience as well as an entertaining experience."

Seven student composers' works, as well as a high school composer's work will be featured during the show.

Ryan McKee, one of the participants, is also the recipient of the Composition Student Award.

"It's for the most outstanding composer," said Alston.

Some of the students will be perform-

ing their pieces, or another student's piece, during the show.

Alston said the high school composer, Brandon Byre, will be performing the piece he composed.

Other performing composers include Russell Gillespie and Christopher Holt, according to Alston.

Phyllis Bengry, a post baccalaureate student returning for her teaching certificate, will be performing some one else's piece during the show, and her piece "Only Lament Still Weeps," will be performed.

She said that the piece is a vocal one, in the setting of German poet Rainer Maria Rilke's works.

She has performed at her church and has a master's degree in piano performance.

She started studying composition to expand her musical knowledge.

She studied with another composition professor, Karl Boelter associate professor and acting chair, privately and enjoyed it.

"I decided I really loved it," she said.

One thing she likes about composition is the music she and her fellow students are composing now could be

something influential and moving in the future.

"It's really exciting to be the ones doing that now," she said. "It's quite life giving."

Holt, senior, is another composer featured at the show.

He got involved with the composition program when he first came to OU in 1998.

"I just sort of grew in that direction," he said.

Holt is now majoring in Music Composition.

His piece that will be featured in Thursday's show will be a vocal one with piano. He said it's a short song cycle — three short songs.

"They're art songs," he said.

He said the songs are not like today's pop music, but "they are not out there."

Holt said this event is important to him as well as his fellow composers, but it is also important to other OU students.

"If students would like to be challenged by the music they listen to, this is a great opportunity," he said.

The awards (a total of 20) recognize those commuting students who have made contributions to improve the quality of campus life through their participation in campus activities and student organizations. Students may be nominated to receive the award, or they may apply for it. The Commuter Involvement Award, in the amount of \$250 each semester (fall and winter), is awarded for one academic year. Recipients must reapply each year. Qualifications and applications are available in the Dean of Students Office, 144 Oakland Center, 370-3352.

Application deadline is Friday, March 28, 2003.

- 18 years or older
- must be able to lift 50 lbs..
- ability to load, unload, sort packages,
- part-time, 5 day week
- \$8.50/\$9.00 per hr. scheduled raises

FedEx® Ground

Student Spotlight Kelly Cole

By LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Kelly Cole, 21, senior, has always wanted to be a teacher. Her desires were first sparked when she was young and played school in her basement. "It was really cool because I had real desks and old teacher books," she said. "I don't know how I got all of the cool books and desks but I had a pretty cool 'set up.'"

Even her parents knew about these dreams and did not dismiss them as child's play.

However, she ignored her dream when she first came to OU.

"I decided to become money hungry and go into a 'lucrative' major like Communication," said Cole.

She said once she began the program, though, she knew she needed a change. She took a HRD class and earned extra credit points by seeing a career counselor.

There, she took several tests and saw that education was her field. She spoke with a faculty member, and she encouraged Cole to make the switch.

"She helped me to see that what I really wanted was to be a teacher, and that is where I would be the most happy," she said. "And I am."

Now, Cole is nearly finished with her major in Elementary Education: Social Studies and a minor in Language Arts.

Because she switched her major, she is taking five and a half years to finish the five-year program.

Cole has done a lot of work in the education field.

She works for the Lowry Center in the Education building, and she tutors for a company called At Home Tutoring. She tutors privately for a fourth grade student and a seventh grade student in math and language arts.

She also works in summer programs and is observing a fourth grade teacher at Herrington Hills Elementary School in Pontiac.

"I have been teaching lessons and getting a lot of experience in the classroom," she said.

During her time at OU, Cole has worked to fund her education by herself.

She has received many scholarships, including the Russ Thomas Scholarship, UAW Local, Pontiac Rotary Scholarship, Commuter Involvement Scholarship and the Rosa Parks Scholarship.

She also works to pay for her books and spring classes.

Cole said that among all of her awards, the Russ Thomas Scholarship is her greatest honor. She said the scholarship is given in the memory of the former Detroit Lions player.

"I don't know where I would be today without that honor to be chosen to live a legacy that the family has formed in the honor of Russ Thomas," said Cole.

She said that having to pay for school on her own is a challenge, although it's a different challenge than some may expect.

"It is hard to be a college woman that is independent and has to explain herself to people that don't understand what it means to ... have to work for what I want," she said. "Things are not easy, but I have what I have because I work for them."

Another challenge Cole said she faces is being an active Christian.

"I practice my religion in the best way that I can in the year 2003," she said.

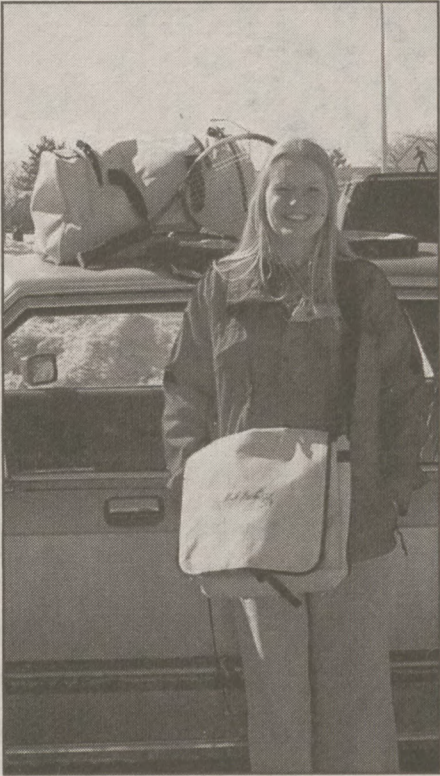
"Because people are scared of God and are worried so much of diversity that they forget that God is a huge part of the diversity of religions and cultures."

In spite of these challenges, Cole continues to be strong in her faith.

Although she commutes to OU, she is involved in many organizations on campus.

She plays on the Varsity Tennis team, and she is secretary of the Student Athlete Advisory Council. She has also been involved in the OUSC, PAUSE, Student Program Board and the WOCOU committee.

Cole said she would like to someday be a first grade teacher in a small school with a friendly atmosphere after her graduation in December, 2004.



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post
Senior Kelly Cole smiles in front of her car. She strives to be as cheerful as possible around OU.

"If your life is focused too much on making a million dollars and driving a Corvette, then you have a higher percentage of missing out on a lot of important life things that can bring a lot more happiness than the corvette," said Cole. "My goal is to produce within me something that can live on when I am gone one day."

THE LOW DOWN

Thursday, March 13

The Women's Issue Forum will be sponsoring "Love Your Body Day" from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. in Fireside Lounge in the OC.

CSA will be presenting a creativity program at noon in Fireside Lounge in the OC.

The OU Police Department will be presenting Richard Isaacson, a drug enforcement agent to speak about "Respecting yourself. Respect others. Club Drugs Don't."

The Graham Health Center, OU Counseling Center and the Women's Issue Forum will be sponsoring "Real-Life Experiences about Eating Disorders" at 7 p.m. in Lake Superior Room A in the OC.

Saturday, March 15

SPB Rhythms Den will present "The Two Siberians" at 8 p.m. in Fireside Lounge in the OC.

Monday, March 17

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Honors College and Women's Studies will be sponsoring a mini-conference on women, economics, equality and justice from noon-1 p.m. in Heritage Room in the OC.

Tuesday, March 18

Frances Jackson, associate professor of nursing, will be lecturing on "HIV and the Aging African American" from noon-1 p.m. in Gold Rooms in the OC.

Wednesday, March 19

The American Council on Education (ACE) Network for Women's Leaders will be presenting the 11th annual Phyllis Law Gogasian Award Luncheon honoring Dr. Fatma Mili, associate professor of engineering, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in Gold Rooms in the OC.

Thursday, March 20

SLLB will present Barbara Ehrenreich speaking on "Nickel and Dimed: Down and Out in America" at noon in the Recital Hall in Varner.

Friday, March 21

Residence Halls Programming will be presenting Friday Night Live at 7 p.m. in Vandenberg Dining Center in Vandenberg Hall.

Saturday, March 22

The Association of Black Students will hold its annual ball from 7 p.m.-1 a.m. in Pioneer Food Court in Fireside Lounge in the OC.

Thursday, March 27

SPB will present "Comedian Shang" at 8 p.m. in Pioneer Food Court in the OC.

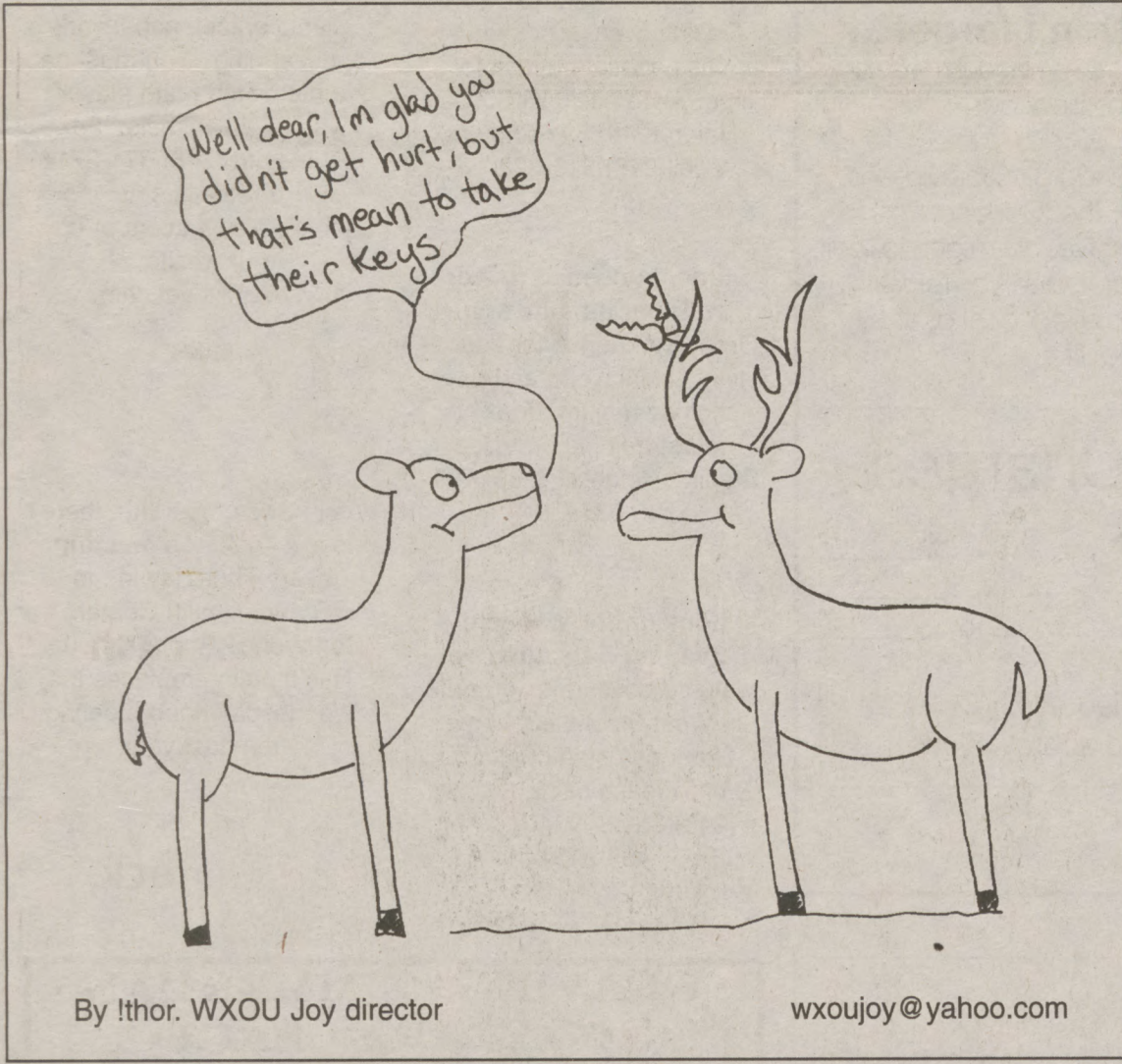
Monday, March 31

This is the last day to submit an application for student liaison position to the Board of Trustees. Applications can be given to room 144 in the OC.

CAPTAIN RIBMAN® in Super [Sales] Man



by Sprengelmeyer & Davis

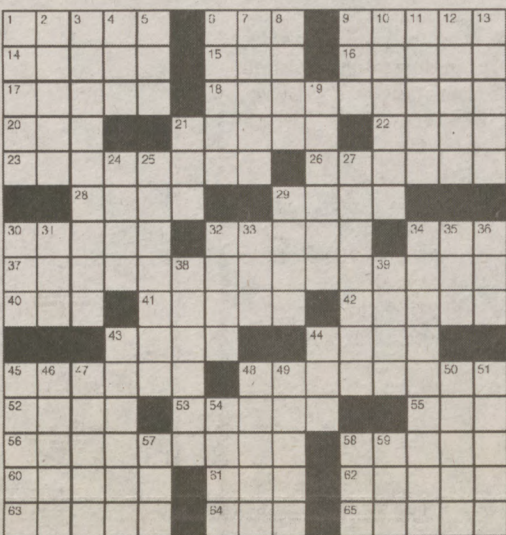


By lthor. WXOU Joy director

wxoujoy@yahoo.com

Crossword

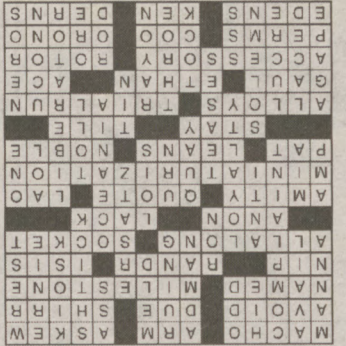
- ACROSS
- 1 Exaggeratedly male
 - 6 Appendage
 - 9 Out of killer
 - 14 Steer clear of
 - 15 Expected to arrive
 - 16 Gather, as cloth
 - 17 Identified
 - 18 Significant event marker
 - 20 Pull from a jug
 - 21 Time off, for short
 - 22 Fertility goddess
 - 23 The whole time
 - 26 Bully site
 - 28 Soon
 - 29 Scarcity
 - 30 Peaceful harmony
 - 32 Excerpt
 - 34 Thai Buddhist
 - 37 Reduction in scale
 - 40 Touch lightly
 - 41 Inclines
 - 42 Majestic
 - 43 Command to Fido
 - 44 Scramble piece
 - 45 Brass and pewter, e.g.
 - 48 Test performance
 - 52 France, once
 - 53 "Frome"
 - 55 Marksman
 - 56 Accomplish
 - 58 Chopper feature
 - 60 Salon settings
 - 61 Bill's partner?
 - 62 University of Maine location
 - 63 Utopias
 - 64 Barbie's beau
 - 65 Bruce and Laura
- DOWN
- 1 Spiritual nourishment
 - 2 Be of use to
 - 3 Grievance
 - 4 Step on it!
 - 5 Unmatched
 - 6 Mad. Ave. guy
 - 7 Feeling regret
 - 8 Canasta play
 - 9 Pack animal
 - 10 Comic's gimmick
 - 11 Token booth
 - 12 Journalist Pyle
 - 13 Take by force
 - 19 Imitation
 - 21 Silver or Howard
 - 24 Against
 - 25 Allegiance
 - 27 South Pacific region
 - 29 Clark's girl
 - 30 Unit of elec.
 - 31 Hamm of soccer
 - 32 Wharf
 - 33 Coffee container
 - 34 One who ends oppression
 - 35 "You've got mail" co.
 - 36 United
 - 38 Makes fun of
 - 39 Road tee
 - 43 Sacred
 - 44 Foil material
 - 45 Loose-jawed
 - 46 Entwined
 - 47 Ill-gotten profit
 - 48 Severe pang
 - 49 Drip-dry fabric
 - 50 Sch. in Storrs
 - 51 Peter and Franco
 - 54 Clock sound
 - 57 Former draft org.
 - 58 Pole
 - 59 Lode load



© 2003 Tribune Media Services, Inc.
All rights reserved.

03/07/03

Solutions



Need Advice?
Email questions about school, love and life to life@oakpostonline.com, and look for answers in the new advice column!

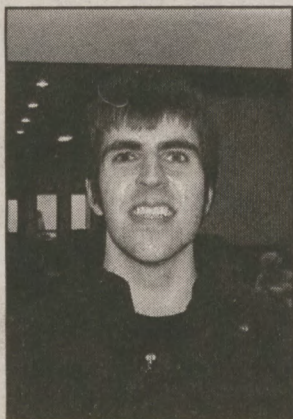
OU says ...

Who is a hot music artist right now?



"50 cent"

Kadeshia Robinson
Junior
Mechanical Engineer



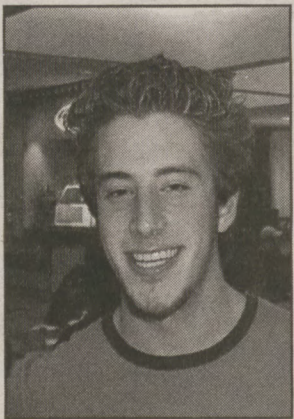
"Seether"

Aaron Ortland
Junior
Health Science



"Nora Jones and John Mayer"

Courtney Fons
Sophomore
WHIP program and Psychology



"John Mayer"

Danny Lewkowicz
Freshman
Bio-chemistry



"Eminem"

Nora Karmo
Freshman
Undecided

Student AFFAIRS

Updating OU

2002-2003 VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARDS

Applications are now available in the Dean of Students Office, 144 Oakland Center. These awards are available to recognize and encourage OU students and student organizations to become involved in volunteer services both on and off campus. Up to 10 awards of \$500 each are available to individual returning students and student organizations. Funds will be applied to the recipient's fall 2003 bill or the student organization's account. Deadline for both individual and group applications is Friday, March 21st.

Are you losing a lot of weight? Are you intensely dissatisfied with your body? Are you fasting and exercising excessively? Do you binge and purge? Do you know anyone who does? Are you interested in learning about body image problems and eating disorders? **To participate in the Eating Disorder Screening Program just stop in at the Oakland Room, Oakland Center on Wednesday, March 19, 2003 at 10 AM or 12 noon. This program is sponsored by the Counseling Center-Graham Health Center. For more information, please contact the Counseling Center at 370-3465.**

MICHIGAN COLLEGIATE JOB FAIR

Upcoming on **Friday, March 28** is the annual **Spring Michigan Collegiate Job Fair (MCJF)** to again be held at **Burton Manor** in **Livonia**. Additional information on this event is available on campus at **Career Services (275 West Vandenberg Hall, 370-3250)**, or by visiting the **MCJF** web site at www.mcjf.org. Candidates may pre-register for \$10 or register "at the door" for \$20. MCJF is a statewide job fair for **graduating students and alumni** of Michigan colleges and universities. Opportunities will be represented for most majors, with the likely exception of medicine, law, and education.

Winter On-Campus Recruiting

Students seeking to interview with employers on campus (during the remainder of the Winter Semester) but who have not yet registered with **Career Services** need to do so as quickly as possible. Our department's **eRecruiting@OU** online resume and job search system is available free to students. Upcoming employers scheduled to recruit for full-time positions include **American Axle & Manufacturing, Benefit Outfitters, Comp USA, The Buckle, Grid 4 Communications, Summit Capital Mortgage and Vibracoustic North America**. All interviews take place at the Career Services offices at **275 West V8H**. For additional information, call 370-3250 or visit our web site at www.oakland.edu/careerservices.

Now accepting applications and nominations for:

Student Liaison to the Oakland University Board of Trustees

The role of the student liaison is to serve as non-voting resource on student issues at work sessions and meetings of the Board. Term of office is July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 or 2005. Must have at least a 2.5 GPA. Must have earned 56 undergraduate or 18 graduate credit hours (28 from OU).

Must not hold any other major elected campus office. Applications available at: Student Affairs, 144 Oakland Center, Student Congress, 62 Oakland Center or Center for Student Activities, 49 Oakland Center.

Deadline is March 31, 2003.

Call 248-370-4200 for more information.

GRAHAM HEALTH CENTER

We here at the Graham Health Center want to help you with your healthcare needs. Our office hours are M-F 8 AM-5 PM. We also have an email address if you have questions about our services at health@oakland.edu. Did you know Graham Health Center has a website? You can find it at www2.oakland.edu/ghc, and it will provide you with information about our services, general information and frequently asked questions. In addition, there is a health links page that will direct you to sites regarding general health, alcohol information, nutritional links, sex and sexuality, and more. So stop by at our website, browse around, and see what Graham Health Center has to offer you or call us today at ext. 2341, and let us help you to better health.

2003 Sidney Fink Memorial Awards

and 2003-2004 Commuter Involvement Awards

Applications for both awards are now available in the Dean of Students Office, 144 Oakland Center. Please see display ad elsewhere in this issue for more details.

Campus Rec Happenings

Wellness Wednesday

The next Wellness Wednesday on March 19th in the Pioneer Room at 12:05 PM will feature "Nutrition and Cancer" led by R.D. Nancy Kennedy. Cancer prevention begins with nutrition. Learn what should be a part of your daily food intake to reduce the risk of cancer. An OU mug will be raffled off. See you there!

Massage and Acupressure Therapy

The Fitness Department is offering massage and acupressure therapy sessions at student and non-student rates. This is a great way to relieve stress and tension throughout the semester. For an appointment please contact Mila at 248.370.4910.

Discover Scuba

On March 22nd there will be a Discover Scuba session in the Aquatic Center at 5 PM. This is open for everyone and gives you the opportunity to try out scuba diving for FREE in the pool. Come by and find out if scuba diving is something for you!

Kayak Class

Sunday, March 30 and Sunday, April 6 from 9-11:30 AM in the Rec Center pool. These classes will go over basic kayak principles including standard strokes, boat control and braces, and class 2 covers the kayak roll. Cost is \$80 for students, \$95 for non-students. The program includes both classes. Both instructors are trained from the British Canoe Union and have been paddling themselves for years. Call Mila at 248.370.4910 for more information.

Please visit the Campus Recreation website for complete information on everything the Rec Center has to offer at www.oakland.edu/unit/campus_rec.

Upcoming Events

Friday, March 21

RHP's Friday Night Live Winter 2003 Comedy Series present comedian **Mike Birbiglia**, 7 PM, **Vandenberg Cafeteria**. After graduating from Georgetown University in May of 2000, Mike has been making leaps and bounds in the comedy world. A regular performer at Comic Strip Live, Caroline's and Gotham Comedy Club, he has also performed on NBC's Late Friday, Comedy Central's Premium Blend and the Metro Channel's New Jake City with Robert Klein. Last year he was selected to perform on the New Faces Showcase at the prestigious Montreal "Just For Laughs" Festival. Free admission and refreshments.

CLASSIFIEDS

The Oakland Post Classifieds

- Only 35¢ per word (\$7 minimum)

Publications

The Oakland Post is published on Wednesdays throughout the school year.

Deadlines

Insertion and cancellation deadline is the Friday before publication at noon.

Insertion after deadline cannot be guaranteed. Full price may be charged for cancellation after deadline.

Preparing Your Ad

No special form needed.

Type or neatly print your ad text.

Include your contact information: Full Name, Company Name (if Applicable), address, phone number, fax and email address (if possible). Ads will not be accepted without this information and all information will be kept strictly confidential.

E-Mail

advertising@oakpostonline.com

Cost

35¢ per word with a minimum of \$7.

Payment Method

The Oakland Post only accepts checks. Make check payable to "The Oakland Post".

Phone

(248) 370-4269

Fax

(248) 370-4264

Via Mail or In Person

61 Oakland Center
Oakland University
Rochester, MI 48309
(Located in the Oakland Center, downstairs, next to Bumpers Game Room.)

Don't forget ...

- \$7 minimum for all classified ads.
- All ads subject to standard abbreviations.
- The Oakland Post reserves the right to edit, categorize, or refuse classified ads as they see fit.

Figure Your Charges

_____ words @ 35¢ each \$ _____
Multiply by _____ editions \$ _____
Total Ad Cost \$ _____

- \$7 minimum for all classified ads.
- All ads subject to standard abbreviations.

Jobs

Bartender Trainees Needed. \$250 a day potential. Local positions. (800) 293-3985 ext. 198

Clean Cut Reliable Student with good driving record for summer outdoor work in the Mt. Clemens area. 5-6 days a week, \$400-\$500 per week. Please call (586) 783-1577. Ask for Ryan

Summer Childcare Provider

Female to watch over two daughters, 4 & 7 in our Rochester Hills home from June 9th until Sept. 4th. 8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday- Friday. Call Patti at (248) 816-0343.

Join a high performance team!!! ALFLAC, a fortune 500 company has immediate sales positions available. Must be able to build relationships with employers as well as their employees. Training available. Please contact Michelle. Phone (586) 783-7600 or fax resume to (586) 783-7605.

Parents looking for Qualified Part-time Care giver for 10-year-old son. Flexible weekly schedule. Will negotiate tuition for time. Bloomfield Hills. Call Helen (248) 647-2546 or cell (248) 310-8220.

Students needed to work with our autistic son.

Great experience for education, social work, and psychology majors. Flexible hours, training provided. Sterling Heights. (586) 795-9344.

Looking for Weekend Evening Babysitter to watch 2 boys, ages 4 and 2 in West Bloomfield home. Great pay starting at \$8-9/hr. Please call Becky at: (248) 851-3493, or (248) 459-9191.

Misc.

Law Offices of Byers & Goulding
Attorneys providing solutions in MIP - Driving Offenses - Divorce - Wills & Trusts - Real Estate - Probate - Personal Injury -

We welcome your call and will answer your questions on the phone. Close to campus. (248) 693-1500.

Roommates Wanted!!!

Rochester teacher looking for two female roommates to share brand new Oxford home. House faces lake and golf course. 25 min. to OU. Dogs welcome. Call Christine at (248) 236-9665.

A new state of the art veterinary facility is now open in N. Oakland County.

Michigan Veterinary Specialists- North is located at 3412 E. Walton Blvd., Auburn Hills, MI. 48326. We are now hiring for F/T & P/T afternoon and overnight shifts in the following areas: Licensed technicians, technician assistants and kennel assistants to provide assistance with procedures, client contact, paperwork and cleaning. You must be a motivated team player who loves animals. Fax resumes to (248) 371-3714 or email us at jobs@michvet.com or on our website: www.michvet.com.

As of September 5th, there is a **AA/Alanon meeting** every Thursday in the Graham Health Center. Conference Room at noon. This meeting replaces the Wednesday noon meeting from last year.

• **GRAVING • ZIMMERMAN •**
• **MAZZARA • BAIR •**
• **VERNIER •**
(NON-PARTNERSHIP)
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

Serving the Communities of
Macomb and Oakland Counties

- * All traffic tickets
- * All criminal matters
- * Traffic • Misdemeanors • Felonies
- * Drunk Driving • Drugs
- * Family Law • Divorce • Bankruptcy
- * **ALL OTHER LEGAL MATTERS**

Shelby Township Office
50258 Van Dyke, Suite F
(23 Mile & Van Dyke)

Call 24/7 Toll Free (877) 726-6980



CROSSROADS PREGNANCY CENTER
FREE Pregnancy Testing
Nurse on Staff, Ultrasound Available
Confidential & Friendly
CALL 248-293-0070
3205 South Blvd. (NW corner at Squirrel)
Auburn Hills, MI 48326
www.crossroadsepc.org

The Oakland Post is always looking for writers and photographers. Please stop by and see us at 61 Oakland Center or call Ann at (248) 370-4268.

Jobs

COLLEGE PRO, Summer employment/ full time, work outside, opportunity for advancement, amke \$3000-\$5000, PT work available now. (888) 277-9787, or www.collegepro.com.

Macomb County Teacher Job Fair, Saturday, March 29, 8:30am to 3:30pm. Representing up to 25 public school districts in Southeastern Michigan. For info go to www.misd.net. Teacher Job Fair, or call (586) 228-3576. EEOE.