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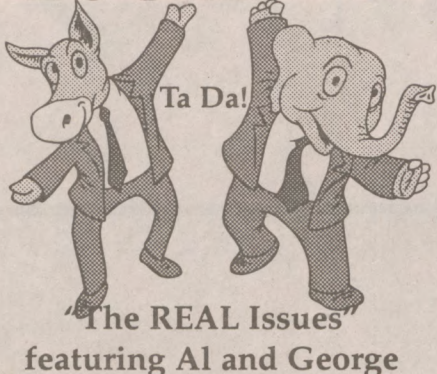
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•Stanley Crouch's "How Racial Issues Should Be Approached in the 21st Century" has been rescheduled to 8 p.m., Monday in Meadow Brook Theatre. FREE.

•Alpha Delta Pi's Annual 5K walk for the Ronald McDonald House starts at 9 a.m. (registration is at 8:30 a.m.) this Saturday, outside South Foundation.

•This week is "Kappa Week 2000" hosted by Kappa Alpha Psi. Monica Durrett Blue will speak about "Defining Yourself: A True Tale of Self-actualization" from 2-3 p.m., today in the Fireside Lounge. Their will be a "Relationship Forum" from 7-9 p.m., tonight in Lake Superior Room B, OC. Tomorrow is "Kappa Kontraceptive Day." Join them for an informational from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Oakland Center.

•Need scantrons for midterms? Get them free at the Student Congress office, 62 OC. Limit three per student please.

•Ryan Schooley, Melissa Curtis, Erica Oestman and Kristin Forzley are back from the Republican and Democratic Conventions and ready to share their experiences. The Honors College hosts the event from noon-1 p.m., Oct. 30 in rooms 126-7, OC.

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Students more at risk

By Leslie Winkworth
THE OAKLAND POST

The recent rash of meningitis cases in the Metro-Detroit area has concerned many people, especially teachers, students, and parents. Area hospitals are setting up hotlines to answer the concerned public's questions. Parents are ripping their kids out of the schools that have reported meningitis cases.

Joanne Talarek, nurse practitioner coordinator at OU's Graham Health Center, said students should not panic, but should be aware of the risk factors,

symptoms, and prevention of the disease.

Talarek said that there are an average of 100-125 cases of bacterial meningitis on college campuses yearly. She also said that freshmen living in dorms are at a greater risk for contracting the disease, although all students are at risk.

A vaccine is available. It is 85-100 percent effective against four of the five strains of meningitis.

Talarek stated, "There's not a current recommendation that everyone should get the [meningitis] vaccine, as opposed to the Hepatitis C vaccine, which the CDC recommends all stu-

dents get."

The CDC Advisory Committee recommends "college students, especially freshmen living in dormitories and residence halls, get educated on meningitis and the benefits of the vaccine."

The Graham Health Center offers information on meningitis, and the vaccine, by appointment only, for \$65.

Meningitis is an infection of the spinal cord and the fluid surrounding the brain. There are two types of meningitis: viral and bacterial.

Viral meningitis is the most common form of meningitis and is cured with

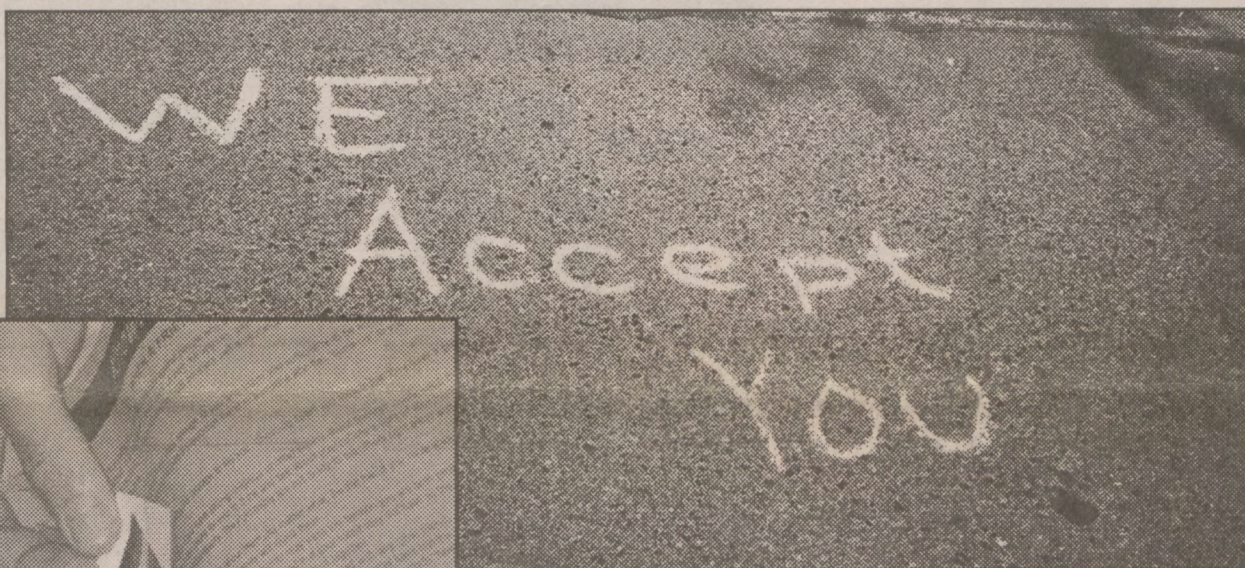
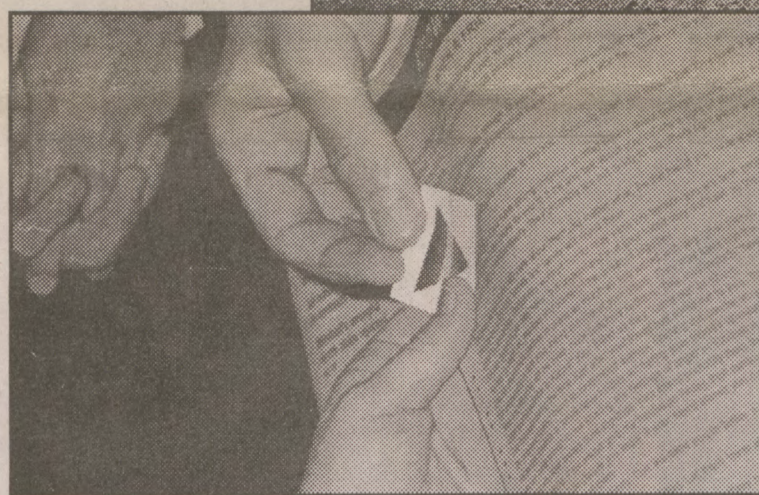
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A SHOT IN THE ARM: Although Graham Health Center doesn't recommend everyone to get a meningitis shot, they do say that students are more at risk for infection and should be careful.

PRIDE FORUM



Rachel Rybicki/The Oakland Post

RAINBOWS OF ACCEPTANCE: The Pride Forum of OU celebrated National Coming Out Day by writing with chalk on sidewalks around campus. The organization also set up an informational table last Wednesday in the OC to celebrate the day. The triangular rainbow is the national symbol designated to homosexuals and those who support them. The Pride Forum hung flyers around campus urging people who support the movement to wear denim jeans.

Pride Form chalks it up for National Coming Out Day

By Rachel Rybicki
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

National Coming Out Day was Oct. 11 and The Pride Forum at OU painted the rock and chalked the sidewalks around the OC and towards the academic buildings the night before.

"They painted the rock outside the OC and before noon on 'our' day, Theta Chi had already painted over it," a sophomore, undecided said. He was not part of the Pride Forum but said he

found encouragement in the national day designated for gays, lesbians, bisexuals, and transsexuals to be more open about their own sexuality.

On the table in the OC, The Pride Forum, set out literature and stickers for students to wear in order to show their support of National Coming Out Day.

Rick Herron, senior, english literature/ art history, is also not part of The Pride Forum, but said that he came out in his own way on campus this year.

"On national Coming Out Day, The Pride Forum had a table inside the OC and they were giving out stickers and literature about being gay and it was the first day that I wore anything pride on my body," Herron said. "Even though it was only a sticker, it felt different, and it was a good experience. I think for both me and the people surrounding me. I just didn't know what to expect."

Adam Cadd, The Pride Forum vice president, said some reac-

tion was given regarding the flyers that were hung encouraging students to wear jeans if they supported the gay community.

"There was a reason behind it, it wasn't just for fun. I had read on a webpage that a pride forum at another school were tired of the way things were on campus," Cadd said. "So they advertised in the newspaper, for all who were in support of gays to wear jeans, and it wasn't

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Wireless net implemented in dorms

By Ryann Lenard
THE OAKLAND POST

Wireless internet is on its way. OU will be the first Michigan university to have wireless internet access, and to students living on campus this may be good news.

The wireless access proposal was presented to the Board of Trustees by Trustee Robert Cooper. The Board approved the wireless installation at its Oct. 4 meeting.

Cooper explained what wireless access is.

"Think of it as a cell phone. Many people think (wireless access is) wireless, but they do use wires."

Cooper also said that students will be able to use wireless devices, like a palm pilot. Similar to a cell phone, students would be able to check stocks and further utilize the internet.

The wireless access comes at a time when it is strongly needed according to Stacey Neir, freshman, undecided. Neir is a current resident student, has her own computer and is anticipating the new access.

"I use the internet a lot. The current system is really slow," said Neir.

Eleanor Reynolds, Director of University Housing, has heard the complaints about the current system. Telephone lines are slow and are not equipped to handle newer advances in technology, she said.

"I am very please we can get this done," said Reynolds.

OU is using Avaya Communications to provide the university with the wireless service. Cooper said that the BOT put out bids to about 11 different companies.

"We didn't have a large response. Avaya was formerly Lucent Technologies and they are a very reputable company," said Cooper. "Student want and need access to the internet. We were going to give it to them anyways, but we decided we wanted to use the best technology available."

Upon its completion in January 2001, students living in the Residence Halls and Matthews Court Apartments will have free access to the internet.

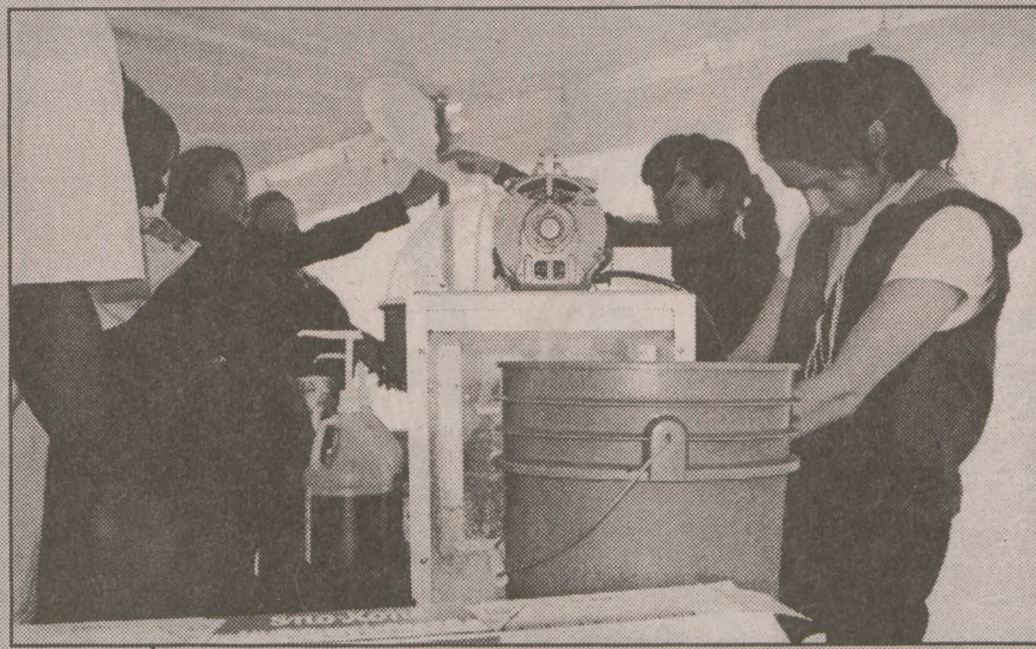
This will give OU a leading edge on technology compared to other universities, according to Cooper. Many think this addition will make OU more attractive to prospective students because it will be the first school to implement the technology.

Neir added, "Kids will look to it as an advantage. It's definitely a contribution."

Reynolds pointed out that the students are already excited.

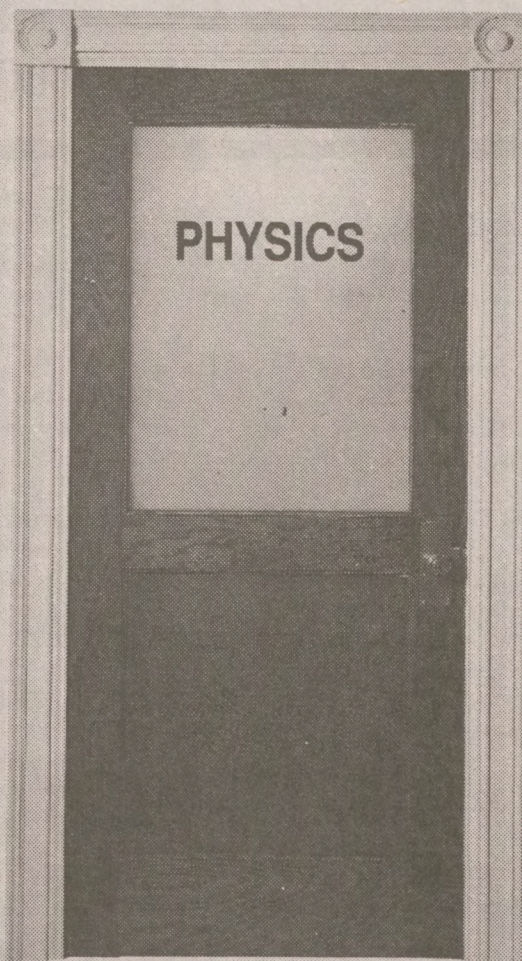
"I believe that any additional services makes the experience here better."

Champions for a weekend

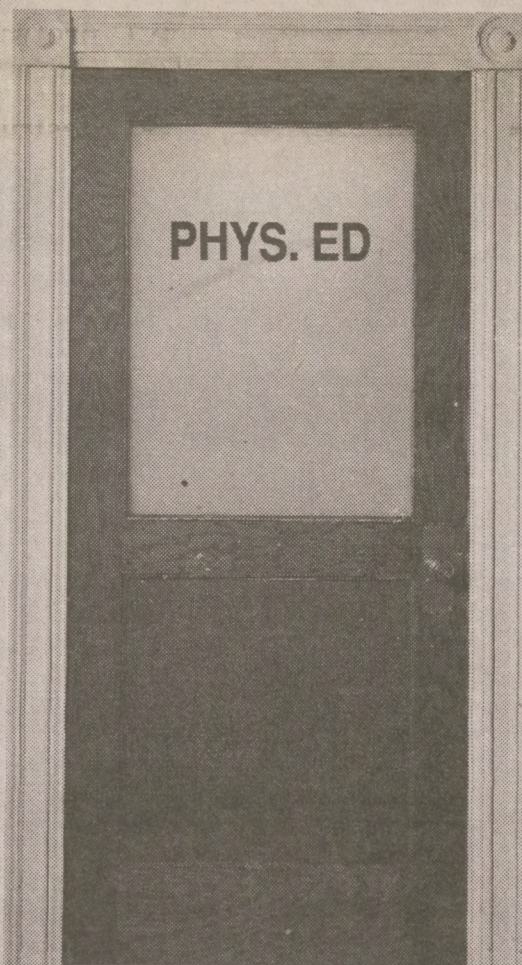


Celebrate Good Times: OU kicked off its sixth annual homecoming celebration with a variety of festivities, including midway games (R), a University Appreciation Dinner (L), and Midnight Madness. President Russi showed up to celebrate WOCOU VI.

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CRIME watch

• Police were called amidst Midnight Madness festivities on Friday to the Athletic Center to investigate a suspected man with a gun. When the police arrived, they patted down the suspect and three other men and found no weapons. Police were told that the men left the Athletic Center around 10:40 p.m., and when they returned around 11:35 p.m. the police were called. No person interviewed actually saw the gun, but stated that the man kept placing his right hand near the waistline on his back.

• A residence halls student was arrested by OU police on Friday for possession of marijuana. Police were called by a Resident Assistant in East Vandenberg Hall, and when they arrived they smelled a strong odor of marijuana coming from the student's room. Found in the room were one marijuana roach in the waste basket and marijuana seeds in the desk. Three non-students in the room were tested and told to leave campus. The student was near the point of being confrontational and was swearing at the officers, police said.

• Four more cases of larceny were reported to OUPD this week. On Oct. 9, two faculty members reported missing wallets. One wallet was stolen from Wilson Hall and the other was taken from O'Dowd Hall. Another victim reported a laptop computer, valued at approximately \$2,000, missing from her Hamlin Hall dorm room on Oct. 11. Yet another student reported an antennae missing from her car on Sunday.

Program offers funds for spreading faith

By Chelsea Charles
THE OAKLAND POST

Some OU students are gaining spirituality and scholarship money today, by participating in Leadership for Tomorrow.

Leadership for Tomorrow is a program that educates and trains young people, ages 18-35, to further the gospel of Jesus Christ, and Catholic faith among their peers.

The program, which was created last year by Lisa Abad, Campus Minister from St. John Fisher Chapel (OU's Catholic Parish), is open to students of OU and Pontiac area Catholics.

After successfully completing Leadership for Tomorrow, each student is awarded \$500 toward his or her tuition.

"The scholarship money is a good way to

show that the Church is supporting higher learning, while welcoming young people into the Catholic community," said Abad.

To receive the scholarship, students must attend ten two hour classes over a 16 week period. Eight of the ten classes are dedicated to basic instruction on the faith, and two on young adult ministry. They are also asked to write reflections on articles assigned in class. As a final project, students must take a primary leadership role in creating and coordinating a parish project with a Project Partner.

Project Partners are active members of St. John Fisher Parish who want to help young people discover how crucial faith is in their daily lives. "It's a chance for them to explore their own faith, and we can hopefully clear up misconceptions about

the church," said Project Planner Rahki Roy.

Some parish projects from last year include coordinating a trip to the soup kitchen, volunteering for Meals on Wheels, leading prayer services, and participating in food and clothing drives. This year the group plans to do even more, including a week-long service trip to Appalachia.

"People spend so much time on their personal and financial lives, but don't invest enough time into their spiritual lives," said Abad.

Leadership for Tomorrow has made progress in reaching young people since its inception.

On Nov. 15, the program is going to be nationally recognized at the Bishop's conference in Washington D.C. This is a pres-

tigious award; only seven campus ministry programs are chosen to participate nationwide.

According to experts, the question within the Roman Catholic Church of today is not whether its children will have faith, but rather, will the faith have children. The lack of young, dedicated leaders in the Catholic Church is a huge concern. The reasons vary for this falling away of the younger population, including growing up surrounded by soaring divorce rates, and the transition of Vatican II.

If you are interested in learning more about the program, contact Abad at (248) 373-6457, or visit the campus ministry website at www.OUcampusministry.com. St. John Fisher is located on Walton Boulevard across from OU.

Speaking out



Republican Senator, Spence Abraham spoke out to OU students on Monday regarding their role in the continued improvement of our country. Stressing personal responsibility as it pertains to alcohol awareness, protecting themselves from the destructiveness of drug abuse and utilizing their opportunity to create change through the voting process.

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OU activities spread alcohol awareness

Wednesday, October 18:

12-1 p.m. "Busted for Drinking and Driving! Now What?"
Sobriety testing, Fireside Lounge
8 p.m. SPB Movie: "Shaft", Gold Rooms
8 p.m. "The Diary of Anne Frank"
Meadow Brook Theatre

Thursday, October 19:

7-9 p.m. "Fun, Friends & Floats"
Bumpers Games Room
7:30 p.m. Comedian Brett Ray
Pioneer Food Court
8 p.m. Marquee Facade Costume Ball
Lab Theatre & Room 134, Varner Hall

Friday, October 20

6-7 p.m. "Fun, Food, Games & Prizes"
Vandenberg Dining Center
7-9 p.m. Friday Night Live, Comedienne
Wendi Fox: Alcohol Insanity Tour
Vandenberg Dining Center
8 p.m. MTD Series: Oleanna,
Varner Studio Theatre
9 p.m. OU Band Showdown, 201 Dodge

Saturday, October 21

Noon SPB Road Rally, meet at SEB
1-4 p.m. Campus Recreation Family Free Day,
Campus Recreation Center
8 p.m. SPB Underground Coffeehouse:
Jason Fisher, Heritage Room
8 p.m. MTD Series: Oleanna
Varner Studio Theatre

Debates: round two, or tea for two?

By Tracy Minnis
MANAGING EDITOR
& Angela Harris
WRITER

All that was missing from the second round of presidential debates was lace doilies and a silver tea service as Gore and Bush faced off once more. The two candidates (Gore in particular, for his constant sighing during Bush's windy diatribes) faced a barrage of negative publicity after the first round debate regarding their tendency toward rudeness and interrupting each other. So I'm guessing that their over-



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politeness and tea table behavior during the second round was "intentionable". The media even made snide remarks about the way Gore looked (read Revlon overdose) during the first round, but to most female voters, he still looked positively dreamy (sigh...oh, sorry, George.)

The second debate, which took place in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on October 11, held new challenges, and a more conversational format, for both candidates.

Unlike the first debate, this one imposed a hot air limit by trimming candidate response times to just two minutes. This stipulation even drew laughter from the audience. Although both candidates considered Chicago to be more appropriate for each of their particular debate styles, no venue in that city was apparently available.

Apparently realizing that the public has already been inundated with information regarding the stance of each candidate on current issues (health care, abortion, ad

nauseum, etc.), moderator Jim Lehrer broached a more encompassing topic: America's image and its involvement in world-issues as viewed by the rest of the world.

Bush, maintained the idea that an administration is not just one person, "but dedicated citizens who are called by the President (hopefully not via Ameritech) to serve the country..." Unfortunately, with his next breath, he uttered his first come-to-be-expected tongue twister, regarding VP-hopeful Cheney. According to Bush,

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Parking spaces require prerequisites

Prerequisites killed the Pioneer spirit. Maybe that is why we are Golden Grizzlies.

OK, I thought it was a simple idea that could save me a lot of time. I saw these signs around campus for permit parking only. There was always a vacancy in those spaces. Hmmm... Why not get a permit, and then I don't have to worry about finding a place to park? It sounded like such a simple idea. If there is such a thing as a parking permit, I am sure that OUPD would be the place to get one.

I headed over to the OUPD and was

greeted by a nice guy sitting behind a desk.

"May I help you?" he asked in an authoritative voice. I knew anyone with a voice like his would have the answers I needed. "Ah, ya," I sputtered, "I was wondering if this is the place to get a parking permit?"

His left eyebrow went up slightly. I didn't know if I had peaked his interest, or if I had committed some crime with my

question. "We don't get many requests for parking permits." He said with a grin.

He reached down and opened the lower draw of his desk.

He pulled out an envelope the size of a Norton

Anthology textbook. He lifted it to the top of the desk and dropped it with a thud. "Just fill out the necessary forms and return them to me."

I was mildly concerned at what the envelope contained. I stepped close to the desk, positioned my body, and lifted the

package off the desk. It was much heavier than it looks. I would guess the weight at about 50 pounds. I drew it close to my chest, and proceeded to walk out the door. I heard the officer laugh as I exited.

I took the pile of paperwork over to the Oakland Center and headed for the Fireside Lounge. I figured the room was large enough that I could pull it apart and dissect the information. I opened the package. On the top was a letter thanking

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Guest Columnist

Marianne Poulin

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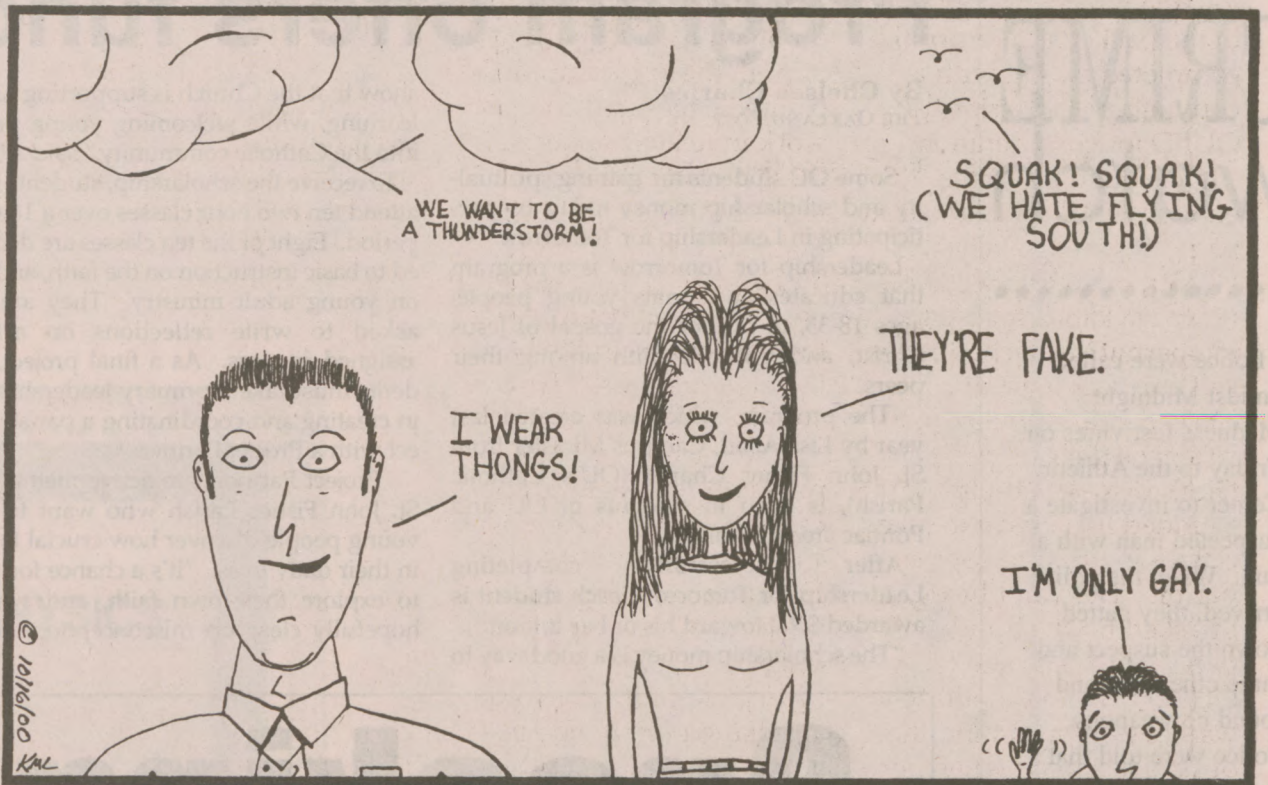
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... A bit of confusion with the REAL meaning behind National "Coming Out" Day...

EDITOR'S view

Coming Out Day raises cognizance

It's the G word. Gay. We all know it, and some of us are offended or even appalled by it.

This past week, gay pride memorabilia could be seen all around the OC and extending towards the academic buildings on National Coming Out Day. This may be new to some people, but there was no reason to be offended.

For some it was a day of mocking gay, lesbian and bi-sexual people whenever they passed over the chalked up sidewalks, snickering in the lines in the food court.

Why do some of us feel so inclined to make fun of people who have a different sexual preference? It's not like they are throwing themselves all over you and trying to get into your pants. They are simply letting people know they are gay and proud.

Heterosexual people do it all of the time in practically everything they do. Whether or not they are conscious of it or not is a different story. To be honest, there really is no problem with gays and lesbians being proud of who they are and what they prefer, we, as heterosexuals, are all of the time.

There has always been some controversy as to whether or not being gay is by choice or if it is because that is the way an individual is born.

Who cares? Gays are people, too, and they deserve to be treated like you or I treat each other. There is no reason for any of us to judge anyone because of preconceived ideas treat him or her differently. Haven't we been over this ground before with racial, religious, and sexual prejudices?

What if we lived in a world where being gay was normal and being heterosexual was "wrong" or "weird"? What if you were gay, and were ridiculed for it because you weren't considered the normal? Before we start picking on the reasons other people do things, maybe we should realize what we are doing to them by voicing the opinions that we hold so close to us.

No one is here holding any of us by the hand, telling us that we can't make up our minds by ourselves.

If we as a society are going to get along together in the same world, we need to be more understanding and tolerable of other peoples opinions that may not be our own. It's that simple. But like everything else, the change must start within yourself first.

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SETTING IT straight

This space is reserved to correct factual errors that appear in The Oakland Post

LETTERS to the editor

Student disheartened by gay bashing

Dear Editor,

Last week I was standing in line at the OU cashier's office. In line in front of me I could not help but overhear two young men talking loudly. They were gay bashing: making discouraging remarks about gay men while in line to cash their OU employee paycheck. I patiently said nothing for a few moments, then stepped out of line and quietly asked them to stop. I told them that it was offensive and to please bring their voices down.

This kind of casual behavior is the kind of behavior that allows for the escalation of disrespect, hatred and violence against other human beings. It must be acknowledged, disavowed and spoken out against everywhere it is heard.

I am a student, an employee, and I am very busy with four classes right now. I will take a moment to speak up about this important subject. To anyone else who has to be more quiet than I have to be, I say for you, out loud: I will not sit quietly by. National Coming Out Day (Oct. 11) is a day that is celebrated and recognized across America and the world, and is very important to me.

Diane Williams

Sorority disregarded by the Post

Dear Editor,

I am pleased to see a renewed focus on fraternities and sororities as a positive group of organizations committed to more than parties. However, in reference to the article entitled "It Ain't Easy Being Greek", no organization from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (which is a part of the National Pan-Hellenic Council) was contacted to present their views and comments. Some of the descriptions of these organizations as printed were not factual and unspecific to say the least.

Additionally, I am concerned with The Oakland Post in respect to educational events hosted by greek organizations. Over two weeks prior to our Seven Delectable Delta Days (Sept. 18-24), which included an array of public service and educational events, this information was passed on to the Life Editor for consideration in the Life Edge column. These events consisted of a Voter's Registration Drive and a credit-counseling seminar, yet still there was no mention of these activities in the paper, however, a list of concerts and other social events were mentioned.

We, a chapter of five individuals, registered over 100 students to vote. However, when a group of over five organizations registered 200 students they receive their due credit. We are an organization committed to public service, so our goal is

not to receive glory for the work we do. But if it seems that we, an African-American organization cannot receive the same congratulations on a job well done, there appears to be some bias.

We are in full support of all greek organizations, but I hardly feel that an entire page in the Post highlighting one specific organization is fair when educational events geared toward the student body go unnoticed. I urge your staff to reevaluate the primary focus and goal of the student organizations and aid us in our effort to educate the student body.

LaShanda Evans

Third Party should be taken seriously

Dear Editor,

After reading last weeks article entitled "For President, the losers are...", I felt compelled to respond to such a tasteless waste of commentary. The author's opinions lacked substance and journalistic objectivity, which portrayed the third party candidates as trivial and one-dimensional. In my view, the candidates who run against the mainstream parties (Republicans and Democrats) are more important because they bring forward issues that the two main parties would rather keep hidden from the public. Don't be fooled; we do have more than two choices in the next election! Currently, there are eight parties putting forth presidential candidates and I urge everyone to vote for the person that is most representative to your views on how government should function.

To actually aid the decision making process for OU voters, instead of making a mockery of the candidates, I have provided a brief description of the major third party contenders. Ralph Nader of the Green Party is an advocate of environmentalism, worker and consumer interests, and campaign finance reform. Pat Buchanan of the Reform Party supports protections of the US economy from foreign competition, advocated a pro-life stance, and remains consistently conservative on social issues. Harry Browne of the Libertarian Party is an advocate for a smaller federal government, elimination of the income tax, and supports the right of individuals to make their own decisions and live free lives.

If these parties or any other political parties interest you, go out there and give them your support. On Nov. 7 when you enter the voting booth, take a deep breath and vote your conscience; not for a winner. Don't listen to those who say you are throwing your vote away. If you vote for the candidate who best represents your ideology, then you are fulfilling your civic duty and making the choice for a democratic future.

Dan Flamand
political science, sophomore

Parking

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me for inquiring about a parking permit. It then stated that I would have to follow the directions contained in the packet and return the completed packet with a copy of my transcripts to OUPD for consideration.

It all sounded simple enough, until I read the next page. It was a syllabus. Why in the world would I need a syllabus for a parking permit? Attached to the syllabus was a list of courses needed in order to qualify for the parking permit. Did I miss something? It sounded like I have to take classes in order to get the permit. This can't be right. I packed up the bundle of papers and returned to OUPD. The same officer was still sitting behind the desk. He smiled when he saw me enter.

"Did you finish the application?" he said rather sarcastically. "Well," I stammered, "I just have a few question." His eyebrow went up again, with the corner of his mouth turning up ever so slightly.

"Can you explain why there is a syllabus and a list of courses attached to this packet?" I thought I had the wrong packet. Maybe this was the packet needed to become an officer.

He sat up slightly and leaned forward to me. He took a deep breath,

snatched the coversheet and prepared to render a speech from memory....

"In order to be considered for an official OU parking permit, the applicant must complete required course work in related subjects, these include but are not limited to 16 credit hours of Math, 12 credits of English, 8 Chemistry, plus a minor in engineering and supplemental courses in the basic learning package." He took another quick breath.

"The courses that are mandatory before the application is approved are An 101, Man and Culture Evolution and Eng. 312 Classical Mythology -Greek Tragedies."

My jaw dropped, I wanted a parking permit, not an advanced degree. I was stunned. He looked at me, just waiting for me to utter one word that he could pounce on. "Why all the classes? I just want to be able to park my car in a space without having to drive to the back 40."

"You have to know about the systems, structures and engineering concepts of these spaces. This is not just a parking space; it is an optiptic plateau centrally engineered to precise specification, located at lateral and longitudinal degrees designed by some of the worlds best thinkers.

These parking spaces didn't just happen by accident. There was a 5-year study on where to put them and how to design them for optimal usage. We spent over a hundred thousand dollars just on research. It isn't asphalt underneath those spaces. It is a special palamer based protein developed for just those spaces." His face was growing quite red and a vein on his neck was starting to protrude.

"But why do I have to take advanced chemistry classes in order to park my car?"

His eye narrowed. I could see his jaw lock into position. He leaned forward, cocking an elbow on the corner of the desk. His index finger pointed straight up, and wiggling slightly, motioned me close. "Come'er kid" he said. I was flattered at the compliment.

"I like you...you got spunk. Most people give up when I pull the package out of the drawer. You didn't. You've got guts. Tell you what I am going to do. I am going to give you a break. You can skip the CIL 658 class, "Education Administration", and I will give you chemistry credit from your transcript. But you still need the Math 361, Geometric Structures, 551

Real analysis and 571 Algebra. I want to make sure you know how to parallel park. You need those math classes. You also need STA 501 Statistics for Engineering. I want you to appreciate the parking space. And I want you to take PS 303 Research methods and Statistics. I want to realize just how bad the parking is on campus, and what a great opportunity you have in even having a parking space available to you. Take those classes, with minimum grade of 3.5 and I will get you a Parking pass."

My head was spinning. I don't know if he was giving me a break or just making me take classes that I would never use in the real world. All I know is that my tuition will be increasing by \$25,345.98. Was all this work worth a parking permit?

I thanked him for his time and turned to leave the building. Now I know why all the permit-parking spaces are empty. I returned to my car that I foolishly parked in a metered space. Time had run out. There was a ticket on the windshield. Sometimes I just can't win.

Marianne Poulin is a graduate student, and former Editor In Chief of The Oakland Post.

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little to no treatment.

Bacterial meningitis is the most serious form of meningitis and according to the Meningitis Foundation of America website, it can lead to brain damage, hearing loss, learning disabilities, loss of one or more limbs, organ failure and/or death if not treated promptly.

The Grassroots website reports that the Meningitis bacteria is around us all the time.

"In rare cases, the germ can get into the blood stream or brain and cause serious illness. Anyone can get the germ, although very few people will get sick."

Talarek agrees, "Bacterial meningitis is not real common. However, it is so devastating when the disease hits, and that's why we hear so much about it."

The Detroit Free Press reported on Oct. 11 that there is no epidemic. So far this year, there have been 145 reported cases of bacterial meningitis in Michigan.

Talarek added there were no cases of meningitis, viral or bacterial, reported recently at OU.

Many lifestyle factors put college students at more of a risk.

"People who smoke, drink alcohol, and frequent bars or parties are at a higher risk," Talarek said. "We're not exactly sure why, but something in that setting, like alcohol, drink sharing and cigarette smoking, plus the close proximity at a bar or party, helps aid the transmission of the disease and depresses the body's ability to fight infection. The fact that more freshmen live in dorms puts them at a greater risk."

Irregular sleep patterns are also a factor, according to Talarek.

According to the Center for Disease Control, symptoms include high fever, headache, stiff neck, sensitivity to bright light, nausea, vomiting, confusion and sleepiness.

Talarek recommends all students avoid alcohol, wash their hands frequently, get plenty of sleep, and eat a good diet to keep the immune system strong. She also advised students not to share eating utensils, drinks, straws, and cigarettes.

For more info visit, American College Health Assoc. at www.acha.org, Center for Disease Control at www.cdc.gov and the Meningitis Foundation of America at www.musa.org.

that some of the WOCOU staff chalked nice little phrases under ours." Cadd said. "It relieved a lot of stress to our campus subculture, and let others know that we are here if they need anything, like help and support in the coming out process to their families, friends, and anyone else."

Herron also feels the most important thing is to get people on campus talking about it.

"Any discussion is good, whether it be negative or positive because it is making students more aware of what it really means to be gay," Herron said. "OU students really aren't exposed to it that much, but by starting discussion about it it becomes more of a reality. But, even more importantly, imagine if someone came up to you and asked you about your heterosexuality; it's a little bit like that. Interest yourself in the person, not their category."

Debates

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Cheney "represents who I think people got to see why I picked him."

Gore maintained a position of citizen involvement, stating that our world image is based on a "question of values," and that he

sees America's "greatest natural, national strength coming from what we stand for in the world." (From Al's lips to, uh, Tipper's lips, I guess-well, at least on national television, anyway.)

Perhaps in an attempt to

achieve a calmer public-appeal, both candidates made it a point to agree with each other constantly throughout the debate. The question is, if both candidates are in so much agreement, where is the purpose of the debate? Many

political and media critics have taken the position that this debate was so focused on etiquette that it lacked the fire necessary to inspire viewer interest as a media event; to quote the candidates, "I agree, I agree".

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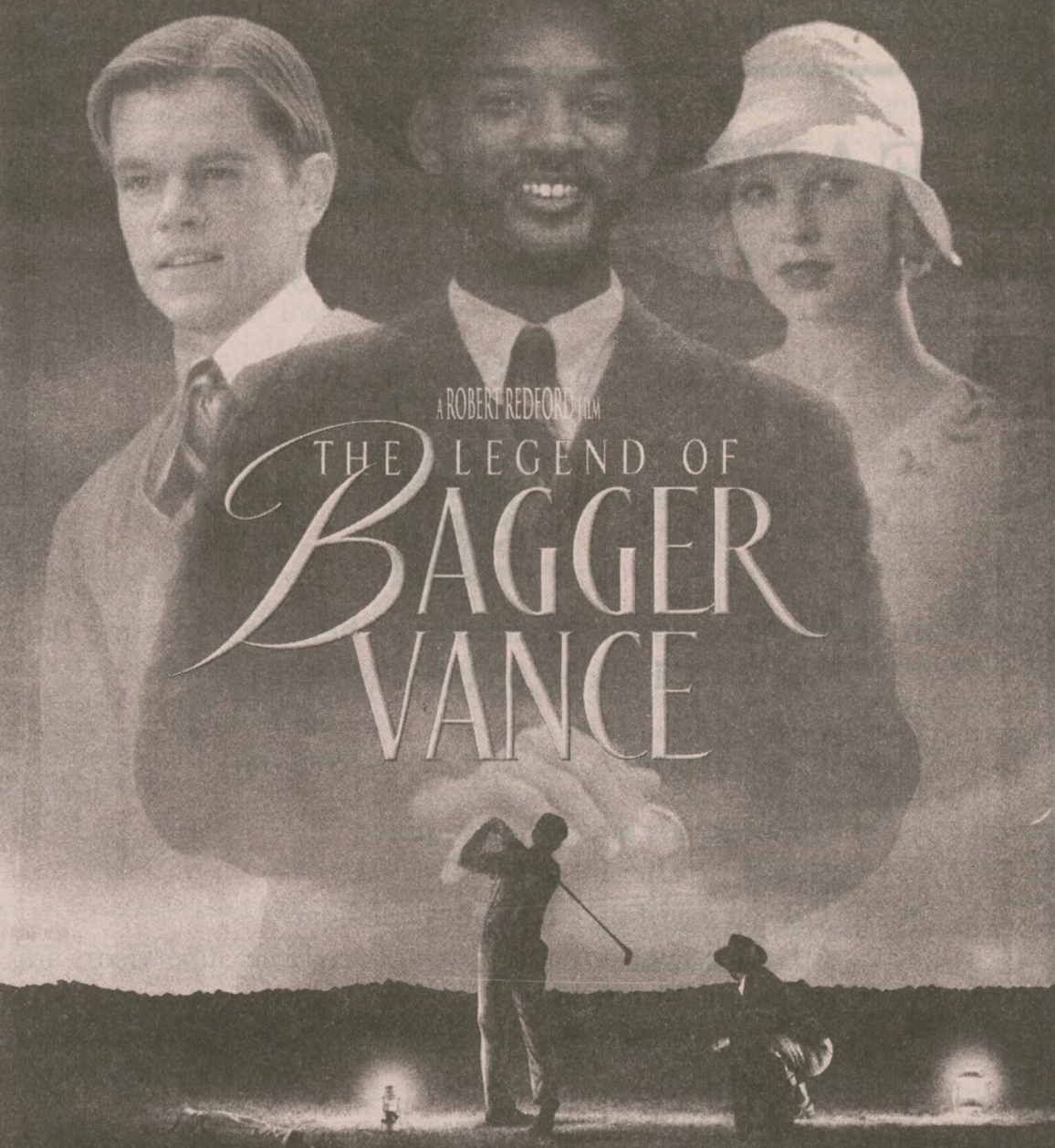
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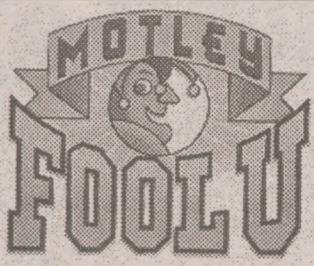
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BANANAS FOR SPLITS?

Q. Are there any advantages to buying shares just before or after a company splits its stock? — T.M., via the Internet

A. Believe it or not, questions regarding stock splits are among the most frequently asked in our forum at The Motley Fool. And no matter how many times we address the issue, it always bears repeating. We hope the more examples we throw out, the more people will finally understand stock splits.

The answer to your question, T.M., is an emphatic "No!" there aren't any advantages to buying a company just before or after it splits its stock. Yet, that's confusing to many people.

Psychologically, somehow people feel like they have more if their shares of Coca-Cola split 2-for-1 and they now have 200 instead of 100. But, if a stock splits 2-for-1, its price is cut in half, too. Your \$50 shares are now worth \$25. So, 200 of them are worth \$5,000. And guess what? Before the split, when you had 100 shares at \$50, they are still worth \$5,000.

Think of it this way. If you have a whole pizza and cut into four slices, do you have any more pizza...er...moolah, either.

Saying a stock split increases the value of your Microsoft shares is like saying that moving from Amarillo, Texas, to New York City will increase the value of your Microsoft shares. It's all just a lot of motion. Your portfolio ends up in the same place (though we're willing to bet that those kind folks in Amarillo are savvy investors than a lot of New Yorker-Wall street types).

So why do companies bother with stock splits anyway? Well, not all of them do. Class A shares of Warren Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway have never split (and are currently priced around \$58,000). While a lot of companies might want to avoid the illiquidity that a \$58,000 share price might create, the main reason companies split their stock is psychological. They fear people will not buy their stock if it is priced at such a "high" level, so they bring it down to a more "attractive" level.

Of course, a Fool knows that when you break a \$10 bill for two fives, you haven't made any money. If you did, we'd stop writing these columns and just make change all day long!

Sometimes stocks will run up after or just before a stock split, but it's not the split that's creating value. Often when a stock splits, it's doing so at or near its all-time high, which is an indication that the company is doing well. Positive market sentiment can quickly push a stock to new heights — as negative sentiment can just as quickly drive it down.

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Bush, Gore square off on issues

By Amy Wilson
THE OAKLAND POST

In past presidential elections, candidates have not spent too much of their time wooing college students. The reason why should be obvious to Americans: Young Americans do not vote, and older citizens do.

Most students fall in the 18-24 age bracket, the one with the lowest voter turnout. As a result, some of the issues that directly affect college students don't make headlines—things like tuition tax deduction, college savings plans and the Internet. Other issues, like abortion, are key factors for many people, not just students, in deciding which candidate to vote for.

Listed is a comprehensive guide to the candidate's views on four issues that will affect OU students either now or in the next four years.

One of the main concerns in the election is the abortion issue.

With the recent FDA approval of RU-486, a pill that enables women to have non-surgical abortions, the issue of abortion is key to this election. The next president could appoint as many as four supreme court justices in the next four years, who could in turn decide to reverse the Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion in 1972.

Democratic candidate Vice President Al Gore is pro-choice, but in the first presidential debate said that legal abortions should be safe and rare.

"I will continue to fight to protect a woman's right to choose," Gore said. "The decision to have

an abortion should be between a woman, her conscience, her doctor and her God."

In the same debate, George W. Bush did not outright admit to being pro-life, but said that as president he wants to promote "a culture of life in America." Bush supports abortion in cases of rape, incest or endangerment of the life of the mother.

Bush also said that he would encourage a re-evaluation of the safety of RU-486.

Financing higher education is another issue that the candidates have centered their campaigns on.

Both Bush and Gore advocate education savings plans. Gore proposes the use of 401(k) savings accounts. Through these accounts, students would be able to save money for higher education for themselves, their spouses or their children. The savings accounts would be tax-free.

Bush plans to implement savings plans that would be accessible in the K-12 years for all school expenses, such as books, uniforms and field trips, not just college. He also plans to grant complete tax exemption to all qualified pre-paid and tuition savings plans.

The environment plays an important role in this year's election, as well.

America has been under pressure for the last year to find new

sources of crude oil. Gasoline prices have skyrocketed, reaching as high as \$2.20 per gallon and leaving Americans at the mercy of Middle East oil tycoons.

This is an especially significant issue to Michigan's voters. With the summer boost in gas prices escalating higher than the national average, candidates recognize the relevance in this battleground state.

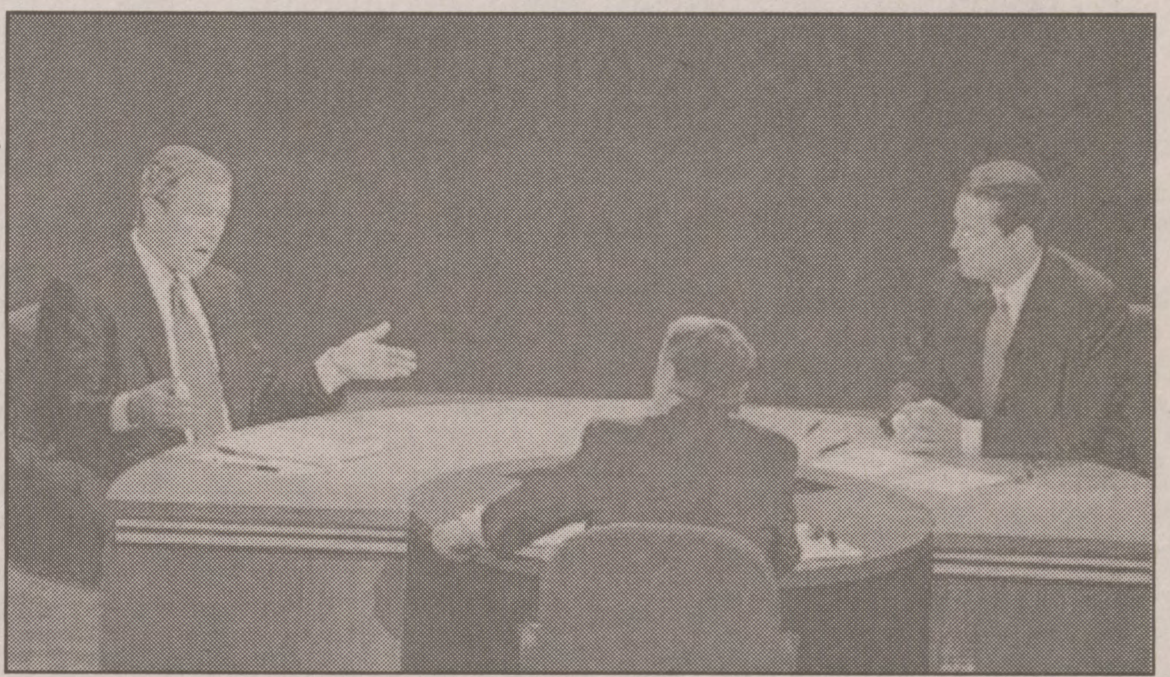


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WHO WANTS TO BE PRESIDENT?: Bush and Gore debate on several issues, including foreign policy, in the second presidential debate.

Governor Bush says that if elected president, he will drill for oil in the Alaskan Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, a protected source.

Vice President Gore wants to decrease demand for oil through conservation programs. He also plans to encourage the development of electric cars with tax breaks. Gore's proposal spends \$111 billion more on the environment than Bush does.

Another hot topic in this presidential election is race, especially discrimination and racial profiling. Gov. Bush is against affirmative action; Vice President Gore supports it. Gore says that as president, his "first civil rights action of the new century will be to end the practice of racial profiling in America." Bush says he will increase federal funding for

historically black colleges.

While these issues are sizzling debate topics on the candidates' agendas, numerous other areas have been and will be touched on as the race progresses.

The third debate is sure to open up other windstorms between Bush and Gore, and will have the high possibility of

playing the deciding role in many undecided votes.

What these two honestly believe and will do in office cannot be decided in three debates. They do, however, open the door to many interesting questions, and leave many voters with a little more insight into what to expect come November.

Where they stand

Bush:

- Would eliminate the national debt by 2016.
- Opposes FDA approval of abortion pill RU-486.
- Opposes expanding hate crime laws.

Gore:

- Would eliminate the national debt by 2012.
- Supports FDA approval of abortion pill RU-486.
- Supports tougher hate crime laws.

Alcohol awareness consumes colleges

Many seem to think that college and alcohol go together. Parties lead to binge drinking and it's alright because, "Hey, that's what college is all about."

Think again. This is exactly what college is not about. Being at a university is about expanding education, learning what you need to know about what you want to do with the rest of your life. Not learning how many shots it takes to pass out or vomit in the corner of a dorm room.

Granted, I am not against having a good time. Being a member of a Greek organization on campus, fun is something I enjoy very much. Like my fellow fraternity brothers, though, I preach responsible partying.

Three years ago today, one of my new friends, Jon Thomas



Michael Hoskins

(and prospective fraternity member) was killed in a tragic alcohol-related car accident near campus.

That same year, one of my high school classmates, Jason Porter, was also killed in a car accident near Flint.

Alcohol was also a factor in this incident.

Both of these men had bright futures, and their lives were cut short because of someone else's irresponsible drinking.

Several other colleges across Michigan have had alcohol-related deaths, as well, including MSU, U-M and CMU.

Obviously, all of these accidents could have been prevented if alcohol had not been involved.

If stricter policies had been in place by universities and local law enforcement, these deaths could have possibly been prevented.

vented.

Being Alcohol Awareness Week on colleges across the nation, this is an issue that every college student needs to be aware of.

College students should be aware, but being aware that there is an issue isn't always enough. One person being aware doesn't prevent another from drinking irresponsibly, from ending another life for a few drinks.

On the other hand, one person drinking responsibly can save a life, a life that could have ended abruptly if that person had drank irresponsibly.

Law enforcement knows this, and is doing everything in its power to ensure that people drink responsibly.

Nationally, statistics show that 70 people are killed daily in drunk driving accidents, which is roughly one person killed every 22 minutes.

Last year, according to *The Oakland Press*, 40 percent of all traffic fatalities in Oakland County were alcohol-related.

To reduce this number, Michigan is currently discussing proposals to reduce the blood alcohol standard for drunk driving to 0.08 from 0.10, and stiffening penalties for adults and minors who drive while under the influence.

If these laws had been adopted three years ago, maybe things would have turned out differently. Maybe those other drivers would have thought twice before getting behind the wheel. Maybe Jon and Jason would be alive.

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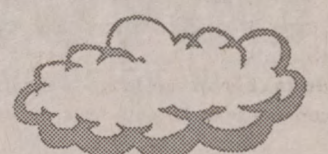
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•Pic-A-Deli snack bar is now open in the Rec Center from 7 a.m.-2 p.m. M-F for breakfast and lunch!

•Graham Health Center Updates- Winter is approaching, and along with it comes flu season. Graham Health Center reminds you to get your flu vaccine for this year. The clinics will be sponsored by the Visiting Nurses Association. The cost is \$10.00. Please Call GHC at ext. 2341 or email health@oakland.edu.

The African-American Celebration Month Committee announces a call for program proposals for African-American Celebration 2001, which runs January 15, through February 23, 2001. This year's theme is "Legacies: African-American People and Their Achievements." Proposal forms are now available in the Dean of Students Office, 144 Oakland Center, 370-3352. Deadline is November 3, 2000.

THIS WEEK

•Oakland University's Alcohol Awareness Week is October 15-21, 2000. For more information on the many activities planned, contact the CSA office at ext. 2400 or stop by 49 Oakland Center to get a complete listing of events.

•Friday, October 20, 7 PM, Wendi Fox's "Alcohol Insanity Tour," Vandenberg Cafeteria. An encore OU appearance by Wendi Fox brings her funny, wickedly truthful and twisted humor. Come for the FREE show and stay afterwards for the fun, games, and PRIZES!

•Saturday, October 21st, 1-4 PM, Family F.R.E.E. Day (Family Recreational Exercise Extravaganza) Open House at the Re Center. Free popcorn and punch! Lots of family-style activities suitable for all ages. Highlights include face painters, balloon artists, free throw contests, prizes, open recreation, magic show and aerobics. Stop by and participate in all of the fun. Table tennis, racquetball, and badminton tournaments will also be held. Call 370-4732 for more information.

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•SPB will be showing **SHAFT** at 8 p.m., tonight, inside the Gold Rooms of the OC. Enjoy free popcorn while watching the movie.

•In support of Alcohol Awareness Week, OU's Theatre Department will be hosting a **"MARQUEE FACADE"** at 8 p.m., tomorrow in the Lab Theatre and in room 134 in Varner Hall. Tickets are \$7 per person, or \$12 per couple in advance. For information, please call (248)-370-3010.

•The Department of History will be hosting it's annual lecture with **BRIAN SULLIVAN**. Sullivan, an author, professor, and National Security Consultant will be speaking at noon on Friday, in 363 South Foundation Hall.

•The **MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY** will be featuring "Resonance: Photographs and Installations by Andrea Eis." The exhibit will be opening on Oct. 20 and is in conjunction with "Detroit Focus 2000."

•**ALPHA DELTA PI** will be participating in its annual 5K walk for the Ronald McDonald House on Oct. 21. If you would like to participate or support them, please contact any member of the sorority.

CONCERTS

• **METAPHYSICAL JONES** and Field Theory will be performing at 9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 27 at BHA Hall in Hamtramck. There is a \$5 cover charge. Please wear a costume to this psychedelic Halloween party.

Fashionably
FALLChanging fashion
trends hit OU

By Colleen Couls
THE OAKLAND POST

Fall is here and the leaves are changing colors, but that isn't all that is changing. Apparel has switched dramatically in the past few weeks from tank tops and shorts to long sleeve shirts, jackets and pants.

Due to this drastic change in weather, people are rushing to break out the fall and winter clothing that have been boxed away under their beds for several months.

Sweaters, jeans, wool coats and layered shirts are hitting the campus by storm and it doesn't look to likely that the shorts and tee shirts will be out again any time soon.

Danielle Zuccaro, undecided, says that she likes to shop at places such as the Limited, Express, and Lerner's buying only the "comfortable" clothes.

"I like to be comfortable and look nice," said Zuccaro.

Elena Stapleton, english, buys warm and "comfy" clothing at Jacobson's and Express, spending her money mostly on sweaters.

"I love my sweaters- anything that is warm and I feel is cute, I wear," said Stapleton.

Davis Oliver-Kennard, undecided, does all of his shopping at Guess, Hudsons, and Sibley's Shoes buying anything that he feels he looks good in and is comfortable.

He says, "You have to be comfortable and say 'As long as I look nice, I don't care how others see me'."

Courtney Hancock, undecided, loves all the warm and cozy clothes that she can find at J. Crew and Express. She states, "It's all about the turtleneck sweaters!"

Most people seem to enjoy comfortable clothing while looking good at the same time. Students seem to like pleasing only themselves with their style, but also like when others notice their keen fashion sense.

Large popular stores such as Abercrombie and Fitch, Aeropostale, Express, 579 and others offer comfortable yet fashionable clothes to choose from.

The stores are each having its own additions to the fashions of fall and winter this year, adding in fleece pants, three-quarter length sleeved shirts, longer skirts and dresses, and other cool items that students can mix their own fashion style with.

Practical and fun clothes are the fashions in the local stores that can be mixed and matched to fit each person's personal preferences.



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ALL DOLLED UP: OU students show off their fall fashions. Warm and comfortable clothes seem to be the "in" for fall styles this year.

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Scene

Dancers, diners find new place of worship

By Stefanie Kato
THE OAKLAND POST

Ladies, gentlemen, transvestites, and drag queens of OU, are you looking for a bar that encourages people of all races, beliefs, and ethnic backgrounds? If you are then I have found the perfect place for you.

Even if you're not really into bars you have to experience Temple!

Whether you're going on an elegant dinner date and you want to do some dancing afterwards or if you're just looking to meet someone, you should definitely appear at Temple in Ferndale.

Trust me ladies there are very good-looking gentlemen there; don't worry guys the same goes for you, too. Don't worry about picking up scrubs, because there are none!

You must be 21+ to enter Temple, and you really should try to get

there around or before 9:30 p.m., unless of course you think you're the type of person that can buy your way into a club, and pass up the hour wait.

Some of you as I did, probably heard Temple was a gay bar; however you have to experience it for yourself as I did and not take someone's word for it, not even mine. There's a nice variation of all types of people inside and I got to meet a lot of great people, and friends.

When you first walk into Temple you'll see dinner tables, that later become relaxing spots for people that are all pooped out from dancing, drinking, and having a great time.

You'll also see the people that think they are too cool to mingle or socialize with other people. Of course you also see those people that don't want to have sweat all over their cute little outfits and ruin their hair.

Once I went up the stairs in Temple I noticed that there was

another sitting area and realized those people were really not afraid to sit and admire the beauty of the bar.

I kept walking and within 5 minutes I entered the dance floor and believe it or not I thought I was in a whole new world.

I have never seen so many people that were all so different, bonded together by music and dancing, with no complications at all considering how crowded it was on the dance floor.

Techno and pop music really livens a person's soul besides a few drinks that they have inquired.

There were girls on top of the stage dancing, and a few guys who had enough courage to dance their booties off, too. Above the stage was a balcony; where I assume VIP customers were enjoying themselves with the great service, and view of the dance floor.

Everywhere I walked I saw people dressed in a variation of interesting outfits and with the latest

fashion trends.

The bar even pays transvestites to get dressed up and walk around the place. Temple encourages all types of people to check out the scene.

The bartenders are very friendly and are happy to accommodate your needs.

If you're the type of person that likes to experience different and new exciting places to hang out at, then Temple is definitely for you.

With no hesitation head down to Woodward and Nine Mile to an elegant, classy and crazy club. It will be worth your while to meet some new interesting people, and maybe, just maybe you'll meet someone special.

You have to see Temple to believe it.

For dinner reservations, private parties, and even entertainment purposes call (248) 414-7400. Check out its website at www.thetempleferndale.com.

Stefanie Kato is the resident club reviewer at The Oakland Post.

Bead-iful *broken glass*

By Melinda Parker
THE OAKLAND POST

Beada Beada

Imagine walking into a shop where the walls are lined with beads from floor to ceiling. There are beads in glass cases, and bowls brimming with beads offered in such an array of colors, you feel as if you're surrounded by a visual cornucopia.

This visionary image can be captured in person by walking into three hot local bead stores; Beada Beada and Beads RSO located in Royal Oak and Bedlam Beadworks in Ferndale.

Beada Beada, owned by Beth Hughes, has much of its selection displayed on the walls, and in glass cases. This collection includes Austrian Crystal beads, Czech Crystal beads, semi precious beads, and silver/gold filled findings. Customers can find them in all shapes, colors, and sizes.

Beada Beada also offers classes on how to make fun creations with beads. Some of its classes have taught how to make earrings, necklaces, bracelets and purses.

These classes are held every Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. The classes do not require a reservation. For more information on classes, please call 549-1005.

However, customers don't have to go to a class to put a project together. A table is always set up for putting projects together during regular working hours.

Beada Beada's is closed Sunday and Monday, and open 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tues, Thurs, Fri, and open on Wednesday 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. The store is located on Woodward Ave. in Royal Oak.

Beads RSO

Beads RSO specializes in unique beads that other bead stores don't carry. The store is interesting because owner Lisa Grix hand-picks all of the beads sold. Most bead stores order its beads through a cat-

alog but Grix refuses to do so.

Some of the selections at Beads RSO carry are vintage glass, crystal, plastic, Austrian, German glass beads, bone, wood and shell beads. These are displayed on the walls and in several small bowls throughout the shop.

Beads RSO also offers workshops and classes on how to make different items with beads. Workshops are a new addition to the shop and are held at the Churchill Community Center. The dates for the workshops vary.

The classes are held on Mondays 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Both the workshops and classes focus on not just the stringing of beads themselves, but also about beads in general.

According to Grix, every bead has a unique background and Beads RSO tries to share its knowledge of beads with everyone. For more information on the workshops or classes, call (248) 542-1348.

Beads RSO is open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Monday and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. After the Thanksgiving holiday, it plans to be open on Sundays, but those hours are still undecided.

Beads RSO is located on West Fourth St in Royal Oak.

Bedlam Beadworks Inc.

Ever wanted to visit Africa?

Bedlam Beadworks Inc. could be the next best place.

A sense of being there surrounds a person as he sees jewelry that might be worn by the natives themselves. Festive music playing throughout the store is yet another reminder of walking in a strange uncharted territory.

Bedlam Beadworks carries a wide variety of beads. Most of its selection is imported from other countries which makes the beads more valuable. The shop carries many vintage, sterling silver, pewter and brass beads that can not be duplicated.

African and Afghani style beads, and an unusual



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

CREATIVE HANDS: OU students gather in the OC to make bead creations. Students can save money by making their own jewelry. This is especially easy through classes offered at local bead stores.

African mudcloth bead is also sold. Stringed beads are also sold. However, the selection is not that of the norm. Prices range anywhere from \$50 to \$50.

Bedlam Beadworks offers classes on how to make different things with beads, however, the classes are not held on a regular basis. They are organized in sessions and do not run weekly. The classes teach everything from basic bead stringing to knitting with beads. Prices on class costs vary depending on

materials.

Customers can sign up on an email list at the store in order to be sent information on classes via email.

Hours are Monday-Saturday 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., closed Sundays. Bedlam Beadworks is located on West Nine Mile Rd. in Ferndale.

'Oleanna' lights up stage blazing with fire

By Tracy Minnis
MANAGING EDITOR

The stage of the Varner Studio Theatre is on fire, and the cause of the blaze is the passionate spark set off by the Theatre Department's latest production "Oleanna."

Directed by Carolyn M. Gillespie, Associate Professor of Theatre at U of M Flint, and written by noted playwright David Mamet, "Oleanna" is a crackling portrayal of human action, human intention and the deep chasm of uncertainty that lies between the two. Within that chasm lies the difference between the actions we take, and our perceptions of the meanings we attach to those actions.

The plot centers, aptly enough, around the relationship of a college professor and one of his female students. This play addresses not only the typical issue of sexual harassment, but sexism itself, and what defines it. Is it defined by "policy" or by choices made within our own humanity? This play also addresses the elements of power struggles and emotional tradeoffs that can occur within any type of interpersonal relationship.

The humor in this play is witty, intelligent and sublime, due in no small part to the intense repartee skills of its dynamic two-person cast, Michael Gillespie (John) and Angel Maclean (Carol), both of whom are OU Theatre faculty.

Gillespie, an Associate Professor for the Theatre Program, plays this chameleon-like role with equal amounts of deft slyness, blustery goodwill and a blazing humanistic reality. You may not know whether to love, hate or identify with what you will see in the character of John, but thanks to Gillespie's multi-faceted performance, you will recognize it when you feel it. His vibrant depiction of human frailty and its many defects rings unabashedly true.

Maclean, a dedicated freelance actress and a part-time Theatre Instructor, plays the development of her character to intelligent, warm perfection. As a young college girl with low self-esteem, she is heartening and believable. As a young woman struggling to understand the many new influences inundating her life, her confusion draws empathy. And at the moment when her character reaches her height of power and control over her situation, Maclean becomes a glorious emotional prism. She reflects Carol's perplexed humanity through a powerful kaleidoscope of depth, strength, beauty and compassion.

The characteristics of modern life, with all of

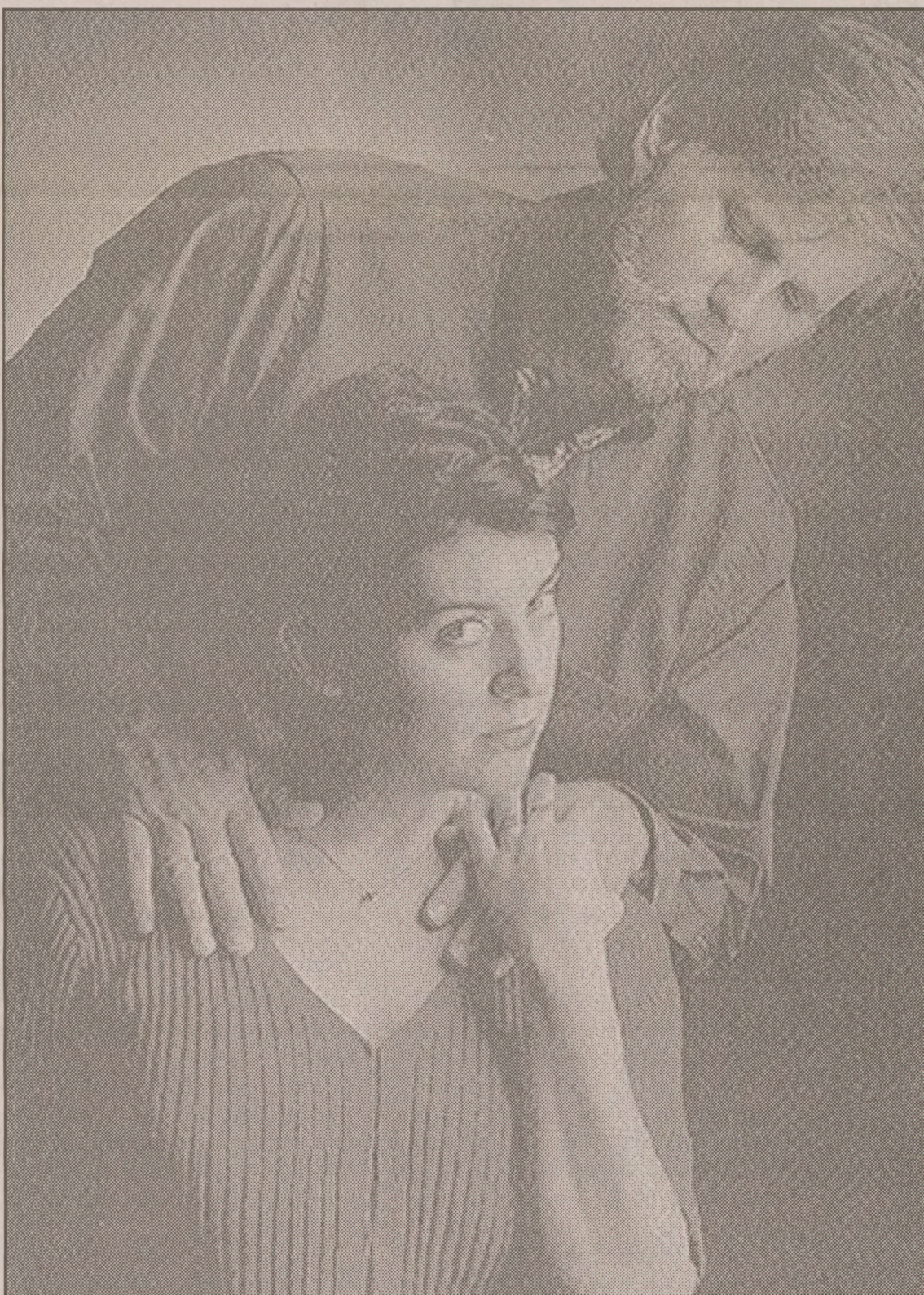


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ALL ABLAZE: The dynamic two-person cast of "Oleanna", Michael Gillespie and Angel Maclean, set the stage of Varner Studio Theatre afire with their brilliant, multi-faceted performances. Both are OU Theatre Faculty members and well-seasoned performers in their own right.

their flawed humanity and misplaced values, are also held up for display in "Oleanna." The constant ringing of phones, the pressure that comes with the societal roles we as humans are assigned to play, and the wheeling and dealing that goes with everyday life, are represented in this play exactly as they should be.

They are the very things that are supposed to connect us and involve us in our own lives, and yet they are also the very things that separate us from actually living it. The result is that the sum

total of our life energy, our passions and our dreams, ends up amounting to just so much busy-work and day-to-day compromise.

Don't let time constraints or ringing phones separate you from the opportunity to experience this blaze of theatrical glory. "Oleanna" performances are October 20 & 21 at 8 p.m. at Varner Studio Theatre. Tickets are \$10. For more info, contact the Varner Studio Theatre box office at (248) 370-3013.

Stiller gives stellar performance in 'Meet the Parents'

By Kathryn Cass
THE OAKLAND POST

Dating is hard.

Something even harder is meeting the parents of a boyfriend or girlfriend. During the introduction, a person may experience nervous laughter, awkward silence and an unbelievable urge to be anywhere else on earth.

"Meet the Parents" perfectly captures the embarrassment, unease and clumsiness that often accompanies meeting the parents of a significant other.

The film starring Ben Stiller and Robert De Niro is the hilarious story of Greg's (Stiller) endeavor to win the favor of his girlfriend Pam's (Teri Polo) father (De Niro). Greg's attempts at making a good impression are dashed as he manages to do or say everything unimaginably wrong during the weekend spent at Pam's parent's house.

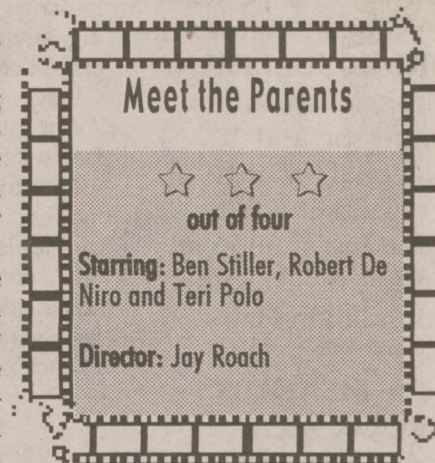
Jack Byrnes (De Niro) is an ex-CIA agent who subjects his daughter's suitor to various forms of interrogations, including a lie-detector test with questions such as, "have you ever watched pornographic films?"

Greg quickly finds that Jack is impossible to please. Jack constantly mocks Greg for his vulgar-sounding last name, Focker, and his chosen profession, nursing. The more desperate Greg becomes to please Jack, the worse he makes things for himself. Greg finds himself snowballing from bad to worse. After all, setting your girlfriend's parent's house on fire and losing their cat are not good kiss-up tactics.

De Niro's role is a far cry from the serious characters he usually plays in movies such as "Raging Bull" or "Heat." He successfully transforms to a comedic character in this film.

Unlike De Niro's subtle humor seen in his mannerisms and facial expressions, Stiller proves once again that he is the master of physical comedy. Stiller in "Meet the Parents" is reminiscent of Stiller in "There's Something About Mary." He uses his body as his comedic tool.

For anyone who has ever dated, "Meet the Parents" will show many aspects that can be related to. The movie does head toward sentimentality near the end, but not enough to change the genre from comedy to romance. This movie will keep audiences laughing for its entire 105 minutes, guaranteed.



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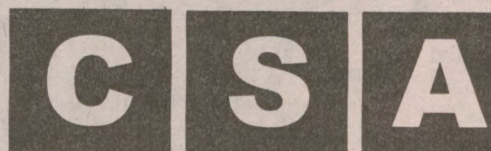
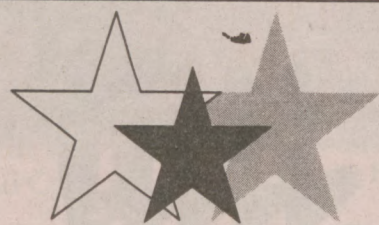
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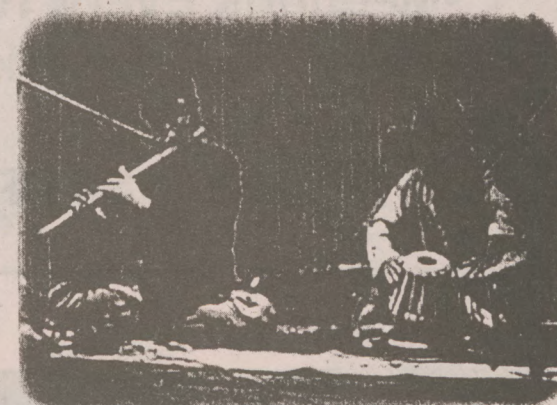
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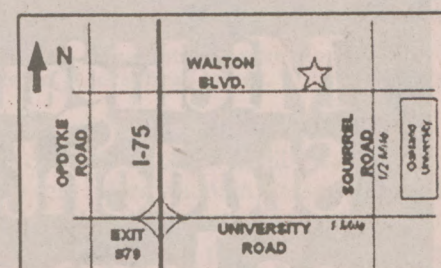
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OU descends into Midnight Madness

By Scott Anderson
The Oakland Post

Basketball season is just around the corner, and the defending mid-con champion Golden Grizzlies have descended into Midnight Madness. Last Friday the O'rena was rocking as both the men's and women's teams tore the roof off the place for the fans.

Due to NCAA rules, teams are not allowed to hold practices until October 14th. At OU, the fans come out at 10:45 the night before to show support for the teams as the practice season begins.

Fraternities, sororities, and other student organizations were all there to pump up the crowd for the emergence of the teams. At the stroke of midnight, in reverse of Cinderella, they came charging onto the court to a thunderous ovation from the crowd.

University President Gary Russi was also there to show support. He said Midnight Madness "is designed for the fans. They're here to get a look and see and get a feel for what both teams bring this year." He went on to say "I think the season in a very official way but, I launch, in a fun way."

Fun is what the night was all about. The Greeks gave the fans an exhibition of step routines. Both the dance and cheer teams were there as well, and they put on a great show. And Griswald, OU's mascot, was there as well.

Also there were the student body president, Adam Kochenderfer and student body vice president Jennifer Wegner. The dynamic duo was there to provide their support. Wegner feels that events such as these are important. She said "I think that everyone is starting to pay more attention to basketball, and the notoriety that it brings to the university. I think that this is a great way to start the basketball season."

Midnight Madness is mostly fun, but it is also serious business. The event was planned by Assistant Athletic Director for Marketing Barry Neuberger. Neuberger thought that the night was an "overwhelming success. It was a great

night for the university community.

While official attendance numbers were not taken, the athletic department estimates that there were over 1300 people who came out to cheer the teams into the season.

OU's gold medal winner, Anita Rapp, was among the crowd. Coming back from the pageantry of the event, she really got into the spirit of the event.

"This is fun," she said. "This was a good event." Rapp wasn't the only athlete to put in an appearance. The baseball, volleyball, and softball teams all came out to show their support.

Men's basketball coach Greg Kampe, although not a fan of the midnight madness program. He was however "very impressed by the turnout of our students. This is probably the most students we've ever had in this building at any one time."

Kampe was also happy that the Men's home opener, against the University of Michigan, had sold out all of the student tickets.

Also having fun in the arena was women's coach Beckie Francis who admitted to getting "chills" when everyone in attendance was singing the fight song.

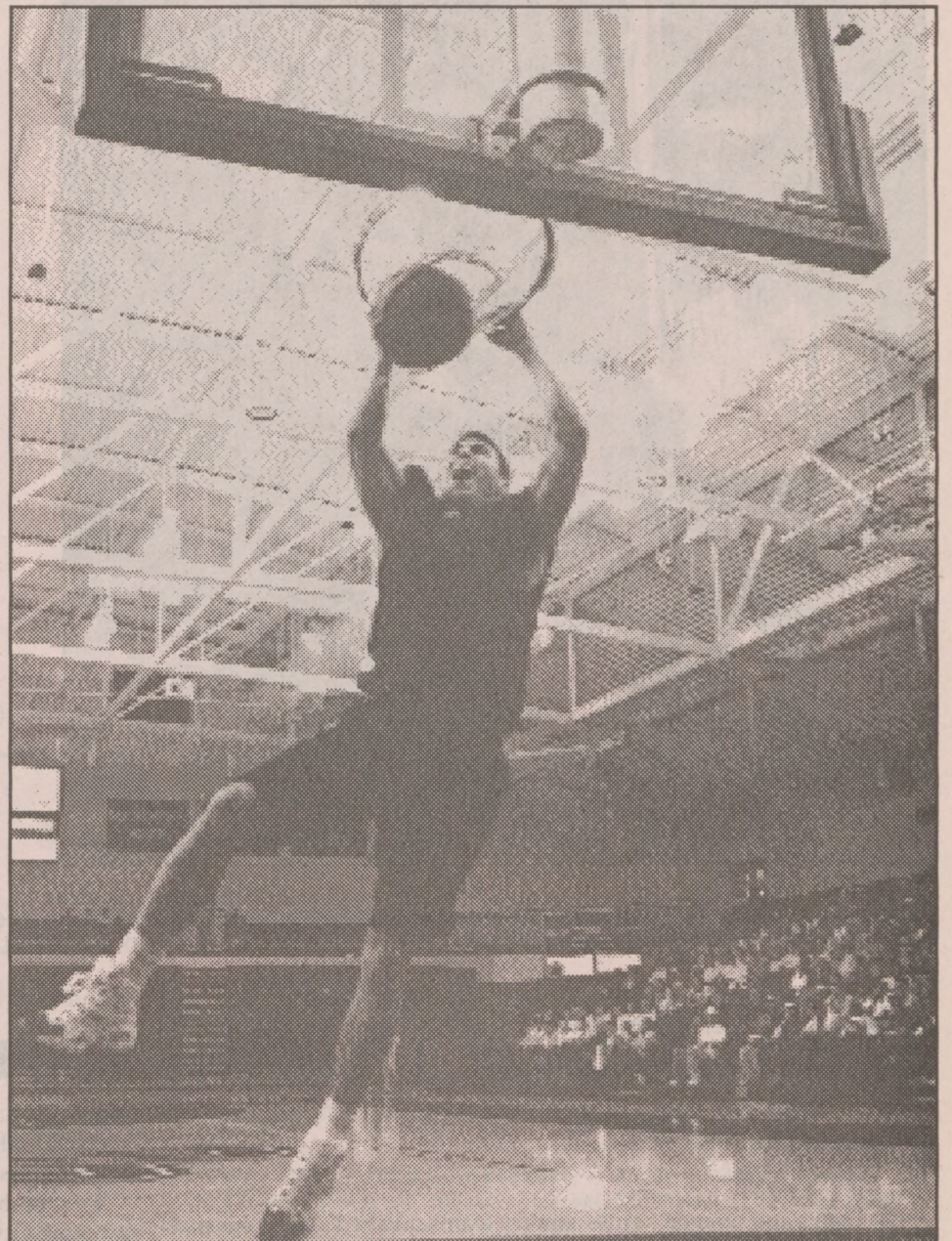
Francis also appealed to the crowd before the teams came out. She asked them to support the teams by coming out to the games and cheering them on.

Attendance will increase if the teams continue to put on the show they gave the audience at Midnight Madness. The men held a short scrimmage against each other, before going into a spectacular slam dunk exhibition.

The women were no less spectacular as they put on a three point shooting round.

Senior guard Beth Zeone didn't actively participate in the festivities because of recent knee surgery, but she was impressed with the event. She was "really happy with the support that we got this year. There's triple the amount of people here than there was last year."

Midnight Madness was only the beginning; the seasons start the first week of November.



HERE'S HOW IT'S DONE BOYS: Brad Buddenberg, of the men's basketball team shows off his dunking skills during the slam dunk contest at Midnight Madness

English professor brings cricket knowledge to OU

By Lisa Cali
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Imagine going to a baseball game that lasts for five days. Sounds boring, doesn't it? Perhaps that's why the British invented the sport of cricket.

Cricket, which originated in England during the 12th and 13th centuries, did not become popular until the end of the 17th century. By that time many western European countries became involved in the sport, but it never really caught on in America.

A game of cricket can last anywhere from an afternoon to several days. Compared to sports like football and hockey, some may find it very slow moving. For people that love the game, it's the strategy that makes cricket unique and interesting.

"The fascination is not necessarily on winning or losing, since many times there is no winner," OU English professor Jude Nixon said. "Instead it is the way the game is played. Cricket takes a lot of strategy and athleticism."

Nixon, who was born in the Caribbean, has played cricket since the age of three. While growing up he played for a touring youth team and continued competing until his move to the U.S. Nixon says that if he had stayed home, he would probably have played for the West Indies, one of the world's most dominant cricket teams.

Most Americans, especially the younger generation, have no idea how cricket is played. The rules are quite complicated and the terminology is nothing like that of more familiar sports.

Cricket is sometimes compared to baseball due to the presence of a ball and bat. The similarities, however, end there.

Cricket is played outdoors on a field approximately 500 ft by 525 ft. There are two teams, each consisting of eleven players. The bat used is flat and paddle-like, and the ball is similar to a baseball but slightly smaller.

In the center of the field is an area called the pitch, which contains two wickets. A wicket consists of three stumps and two pieces of wood called bails, which lay across the stumps. A batsman stands in front of each wicket while batting a ball that is bowled to him.

Bowling is done overhand without bending the arm and the ball usually approaches the batsman on one bounce. If the ball knocks down the bails on the wicket, the batsman is retired.

Each bowler delivers an over, which is six bowls to one batsman. At that time a new bowler begins bowling to the batsman partner, and the players in the field shift positions.

If the batsman hits the ball far enough so that he and his partner can run to exchange places, a run is scored. When the ball is hit a long distance, up to four exchanges or runs can be made. A turn at bat can result in more than 100 runs.

Each game usually consists of two innings. In one innings (always plural), each team player has a turn at bat.

A team's innings ends when 10 of 11 batsman have been put out, when a predetermined number of overs has been completed, or when the captain of the batting team declares the innings finished.

Currently the title for best cricket team is a toss up between Pakistan and Australia. Other major competitive nations are the West Indies, South Africa, India, England, New Zealand and Sri Lanka.

Despite the fact that the U.S. isn't highly involved in international competition, there are cricket clubs found in many large cities, including Detroit.

Many ivy league schools, like Princeton and Harvard, also have competitive cricket teams. Unlike these schools, Oakland has a recreational cricket team as opposed to one with university affiliation.

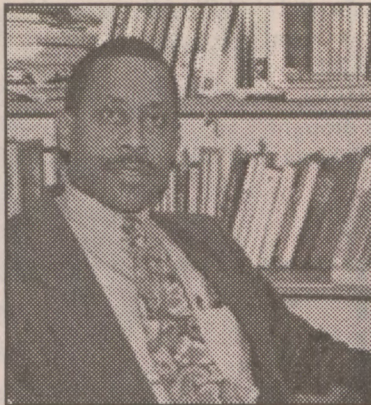
Nixon plays occasionally with this team, but mostly enjoys his research trips to England where he can check out a competitive cricket game between some of the best countries.

Cricket has historically been a men's sport, but in the last decade women have begun competing. Currently there is a World Cup competition for women as well as men.

Many believe that cricket wasn't welcomed in America because after the Revolutionary War the U.S. tried to rid itself of many British customs. Cricket is largely a reflection of British colonialism.

People like Nixon though, have brought an understanding and appreciation of cricket to our country. Perhaps, if the sport was more widely understood, it would be played more often in the U.S.

"Cricket is equal," Nixon said. "It uses your mind and body - every part of who you are."



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post
English professor Jude Nixon

Oh, Isiah! Thanks for the memories, Zeke

Well, it finally happened. The greatest basketball player ever to play the game was inducted into the NBA Hall of Fame on Friday, and nobody is happier to see him get in than I am.

Isiah Lord Thomas III, the heart and soul of the back NBA champion Detroit Pistons from 1989-90, has solidified his spot in NBA greatness.

There are people who would disagree with me when I say that he is the greatest ever to play, but they should all hush up and go back to Chicago. Jordan has had too many moments in the spotlight, and this is Zeke's moment to shine.

Growing up, I lived to watch the Pistons. The greatest thing in the world was coming home from school and watching a 7:30 p.m. game. I would hurry to finish all of my homework, just to watch the

Pistons play.

I loved all of the "Bad Boys," but my favorite was always Thomas. There was just something about the way he played and carried himself that has always appealed to me.

When I got into high school, I tried to model myself after him. I made the freshmen basketball team, and wore number 11. It was a great thrill, even though I wasn't a point guard. I was more of a shooting guard, but I only grew to 5'6". As the years went on I was just too short to play that position, so I quit the game.

I eventually got a life-size poster of him and put it up in my room. Ten years later, it's still up.

In 1992, I talked my mom into enrolling me into The Isiah Thomas

Basketball Camp, where I learned a lot about the game.



Ramez Khuri

My favorite moment at camp came when I was chosen to be in a commercial with him. He was doing an ad for a program called "Shape up Michigan."

It was very similar to the Detroit Edison ad, where he was sitting around with a bunch of

kids, and he said, "Look up, there might be electrical wires up there." You true fans know what I am talking about.

I, along with five other kids, were told to stand around Isiah while he talked about the program. I was standing right next to him, and when I turned my head during a break from shooting, I found myself face to face with him.

I will never forget his words at that moment.

"Wow kid, you really need a shave."

I didn't know what to say, so I just said, "Thank you. I'll shave when I get home."

Those were the only words we ever exchanged, but as a 15 year old kid, that was the best thing that ever happened to me.

Now my childhood hero is larger than life and is finally recognized as one of the greatest ever to play. I'm just glad that I got a chance to meet him.

Memories of him beating up on Jordan, the Bulls, the Celtics, the Lakers, and the Trailblazers will be with me forever.

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I TAKE NO PRISONERS: Even with a bad left hand, Tess Pierce still manages to compete on the volleyball court and play well

Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post

Back to the drawing board

Volleyball team loses to two conference rivals in weekend competition

By Ramez Khuri
SPORTS EDITOR

The Golden Grizzly volleyball team got swept in the O'rena this weekend. OU lost to Oral Roberts 0-3 on Friday, UMKC 1-3 on Saturday, and Wisconsin-Green Bay 1-3 on Sunday. The team now finds itself second to last in the conference with an overall record of 5-12.

The first two matches, verses Oral Roberts and UMKC, frustrated coach Ed Tolentino because they were against conference rivals. Fridays scores were 7-15, 5-15, and 10-15.

"My team came out flat," he said. "For the opportunity that was given to us as far as where they were ranked and were coming in, we had nothing to lose if we came out on fire on this team and we didn't, we came out cold. Not until the third game did we realize that we could play against a team like this, and where we seemed like we were willing to play against a team like this. We have to step back and question our desire to compete verses better teams, and for an opportunity like that, we have to come out on fire."

The Grizzlies came out on Saturday and lost the first game against UMKC 12-15, won the second 15-13, then lost the last two 6-15, and 5-15.

"Saturday's match was another opportunity that was left in our hands, especially with UMKC losing the night before to Youngstown State who is actually in the hunt with us," said Tolentino. "They didn't have the momentum they thought they would, and Oakland should have taken that and capitalized it."

"We didn't make the adjustments that we should have, we need key players to step up and realize that it's not just stats that we are looking at, it's the overall thing, and that is conference match. We have to beat these teams, especially in the middle of the pack, and we didn't this weekend."

Sunday's match against Wisconsin-Green Bay was very similar to the match verses UMKC. The Grizzlies lost the first game 8-15, won the second game 15-1, and again lost the last two 15-5, and 15-11.

"After a long, tiring weekend, not just physically, but mentally, we came out flat," said Tolentino. "We didn't hit well, we didn't make the right adjustments on the block, so they took us. After switching court and going to the second game, we won 15-1."

"We have to understand that this is our court, and you don't let a team that just lost 15-1 back into the game, and we did. We played a side out game, and they capitalized on it and they made so many substitutions during the game that we ran out and we can't play that way. We have to go out with a mentality that we have to destroy teams, and we're not doing that right now."

Senior Lisa Matwijiw has a similar view to her coach. "We are inconsistent," she said. "We need to start playing better earlier, and not just eight points into the game."

"We are all very talented individually, but for some reason we are having trouble playing together, and that's something we need to work on."

When asked what the team needs to do for the next three matches, Tolentino said that they need to go back to the drawing board.

"Right now I think the team is frustrated with themselves because we know we work so hard and it's not coming through," he said. "It's just a humbling experience for these girls who were on the rise up. They just have to understand that conference matches mean a lot, and for teams that aren't 1 or 2 in the conference, every other team has an opportunity to make 3rd and 4th spot for that tournament, so that's something we have to think about."

In the first match against Oral Roberts, OU was led by senior Jaime Puckett with 10 kills, eight digs and two solo blocks. She also had 13 kills, and seven digs verses UMKC. also against UMKC, junior Carmen Trippett had 12 kills and four blocks, and junior Tess Pierce had 10 kills and two blocks.

OU plays on Friday at IUPUI, Saturday at Valparaiso, and Tuesday at Central Michigan.

Men place third, women fifth in cross country meet

By Logan Gillies
THE OAKLAND POST

The men's and women's cross country teams finished strong this past weekend at the 2000 Michigan Intercollegiate held in Kalamazoo on Friday. The men's team finished third out of four, and the women finished fifth out of five. The other NCAA Division I schools that competed were Central Michigan, Detroit, and Western Michigan.

Individually, the men's times improved a lot. "I decreased my time by a minute - that's a lot," said Freshman David Renne.

The captain of the men's team, Bill Monnett, was pleased. "I saw a lot of young guys stepping up," he said. "Brett (Quantz), Luke (Williams), and Brandon (Fisk) had great times."

Fisk came in seventh place overall with a time of 26:06, just in front of Williams and Kurt Brinker who both tied for ninth with times of

26:15.

For the women's team, Kristie Kieffer lead the way for the Golden Grizzlies. Kieffer had a time of 18:24 which gave her a tenth place finish. Jennifer Kunst, Christina Colombe, and Kathy Harenski weren't far behind.

The next meet for the Golden Grizzlies is on October 28 at the Mid-Continent Conference Championship in Macomb, Illinois.

Oral Roberts Eagles beat women in 'Golden' game

By Jeff Theisen
THE OAKLAND POST

OU's women's soccer team fell into a three-way-tie for first place, losing 1-0 at Oral Roberts University on Saturday in a Mid Continent match. The loss came despite OU outshooting the Golden Eagles 20-8 in the match.

Kari Shoemaker scored the games lone goal at 66:06 of the second half for the Golden Eagles. The loss leaves OU at 8-4-1 overall and 2-1 in conference play and ORU is 9-5-1 and 2-1.

"We're getting a lot of chances," OU coach Nick O'Shea said. "Hopefully (scoring) won't become a drought."

The loss leaves OU tied with Oral Roberts and Valparaiso each with one loss in the Mid Con.

"We're still tied for first place," O'Shea said. "Our fate is in our hands. We can't do any worse than a tie for first place if we win our conference games."

With two games left in conference play, OU can guarantee a tie for first place by winning their final two conference games.

OU's next game will be Friday at home vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee before hosting Valparaiso Sunday in a Mid Con first place match up.

Road kind to Grizzly men

By Zvonko Blazevski
THE OAKLAND POST

In the Wizard of Oz, Dorothy said that "there is no place like home."

For the OU men's soccer team, the saying can be applied differently. It could say "there is no place like the road" as seven of the team's eight wins have come away from Rochester.

The Golden Grizzlies traveled and defeated the University of Cincinnati and Oral Roberts University this week, both by 1-0 margins, to improve its overall record to 8-4-1 (2-1 in the Mid-Con).

OU defeated the Bearcats, 1-0, last Wednesday, in Cincinnati, on a goal from freshman midfielder Robert Hillman.

Hillman fired the game's only goal in the 64th minute on an assist from junior midfielder Inge Pedersen.

OU played the corner kick short where Pedersen played the ball in the box. The ball deflected off a Bearcat defender to Hillman, who volleyed the ball past the Cincinnati keeper Sascha Nathu from 10-

yards out.

"It was probably the best game we played all year," said head coach Gary Parsons. "From start to finish we had good ball movement and good pressure."

"I am happy with my contribution to the team this year," said Hillman. "I have been able to have a couple of good appearances and have gotten the respect of my teammates."

The Golden Grizzlies' defense allowed Cincinnati only two shots on goal, in which junior goalkeeper Mike Skolnik saved. OU outshot Cincinnati, 10-4.

On Saturday, the Golden Grizzlies defeated Mid-Continent Conference opponent, Oral Roberts University, 1-0.

OU junior defender Jeff Beeler, coming in as a substitute in the 26th minute as a forward, scored the only goal two minutes before half to give the Golden Grizzlies the victory.

Senior defender Nick Stocky passed the ball to Pedersen, who then crossed to Beeler for the header.

Skolnik recorded his sixth shutout of the season as he stopped five Golden Eagles shots.

OU women par for Eastern Kentucky course

By Carolyn Mrowczynski
THE OAKLAND POST

The women's golf team wrapped up their season by finishing seventh out of nine teams at the Eastern Kentucky University Fall Invitational.

Connie Apalit, junior, placed fifth overall with a season low 73, followed up by a 77 on the second day of the invitational.

"It was a really great tournament," she said. "We had great weather and I've played the course before, so I knew what shots I had to make."

Also contributing were Emily Minnich, Jocelyn Fekel and Jennifer Quirin. All placed in the top 51 women in the tournament.

Coaching was a big part of the season. The team had a new coach this year, Dave DeWulf.

"We had great coaching this season," Apalit said. "Coaching was a big part of us doing well in this tournament."

As the season closes, the women look back on this year as a real improvement.

"I think we were a little shaky at first, but we worked on fundamentals and ended up playing much better than last year," said Apalit.

The team started this season with five women returning and four newcomers.

"The girls showed dedication throughout the entire season," Apalit said on her thoughts of the new team. "We're only going to get better."

Mid-Continent Conference Standings

Women's Soccer			Men's Soccer		
Conference	Overall		Conference	Overall	
IUPUI	2-1	6-8-1	Western Illinois	3-0	8-4
Oakland	2-1	8-4-1	UMKC	2-1	6-7
Oral Roberts	2-1	10-5-1	Oakland	2-1	8-4-1
Valparaiso	2-1	7-7	Oral Roberts	1-2	6-6-1
Western Illinois	1-2	4-10	Valparaiso	1-2	4-7
Youngstown State	0-3	0-14	IUPUI	0-3	6-7-1

the Golden Grizzly

MIKE SKOLNIK

Mike Skolnik, junior, engineering helped lead the Grizzlies to victory this weekend. The soccer team defeated Oral Roberts 1-0, which was Skolnik's sixth shutout this season as goalkeeper. He recorded five shutouts throughout the game. The men's soccer team plays against Valparaiso at home on Oct. 22 at 3:30 p.m.

-Lisa Cali



Damon's signs of the times

This week people who think big will make extraordinary progress on their dreams. Positive thoughts put into action will seem to come together naturally, though not necessarily without unforeseen difficulties or tremendous work. In fact, those wanting to get things done may need to push themselves to the limit, with eventual results that will surprise all.



Aries - You are suddenly able to articulate things that you have been wanting to say for the past month, so express yourself to others this week - you may be surprised by the results. Concentrate on listening to others as well, since positive communication works both ways.



Taurus - You may feel like a loved one is acting distant, but remember that he or she may be responding to something you did that you have forgotten about - now is the time to talk with them. Being optimistic will bring good luck this week.



Gemini - You are learning what you need to learn right now, even though frustrating circumstances are abound - have patience and you will get through it. Let loose your aggressions in a healthy way, like through a sport or competition.



Cancer - Fight to remain true to yourself, even if you lose friends in the process, because you may end up losing more than friends if action is not taken. A sibling or close family member may give you insight into any current issues you may be dealing with.



Leo - This is a good week to reflect on your life and plan for the future - actions you take right now may or may not come to fruition, so concentrate on the future. You may be a bit more sensitive this week, so try to relax and enjoy your emotions.



Virgo - Though you have the passion, things beyond your control may be preventing you from getting as much done as you would like. Concentrate on getting your thoughts in order and moving forward may be easier for you.



Libra - Work on standing on your own two feet this week as opposed to depending on others to help you through. New difficulties in relationships with others may be the result of an old problem - take time to reflect on a past issue.



Scorpio - Relaxing in a relationship is the first step towards resolving a power struggle that has been happening for a while - fighting isn't going to end the conflict. Things will work out better if you set big goals, for now you will find the support for a life change.



Sagittarius - Close family might be able to give you some insight into a relationship problem, though be careful about letting them into your personal business. Going out early next week may lead to an interesting, if not romantic encounter.



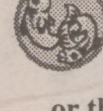
Capricorn - A loved one may expect more from you right now and, even though you may feel that you have given your all, don't invalidate his or her feelings. Try to take time away from work (physically and mentally) to enjoy your social and romantic life.



Aquarius - You may be mentally tired and even a bit cranky, so find ways to relax and to take your mind off of problems. Emotions that you haven't dealt with come to the surface over the weekend - make time for quiet reflection.



Pisces - You finally have an opportunity to do a mind-expanding action, like travel or education - there may be a conflict with your family, but definitely take advantage of the opportunity.



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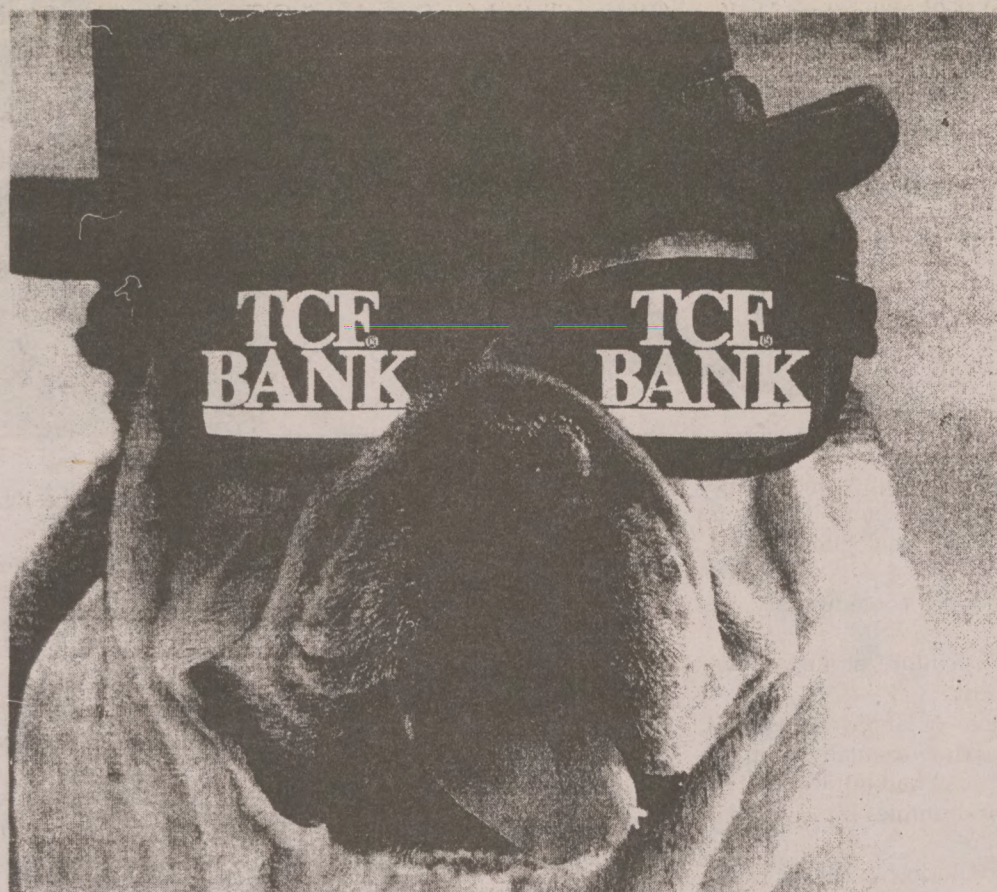
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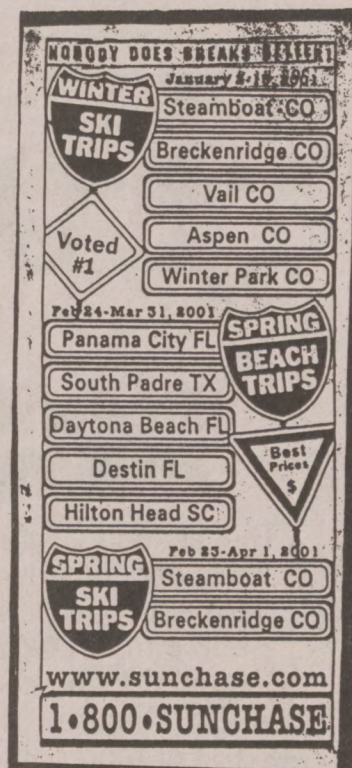
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BANNED: Former OU student defies censorship, establishes art exhibition in Pontiac

By Mike Murphy
THE OAKLAND POST

Rising from the ashes of an art show deemed too controversial for the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA), Rochester artist and former OU student Jef Bourgeau's Museum of New Art (MoNA) held its opening last Friday in Pontiac.

Though not a museum by definition, (a museum must have a permanent collection) the MoNA nevertheless displays a forum for contemporary art not yet seen in the Detroit area.

Currently, The MoNA features two shows, "Critical Eyes," and "e-MoNA."

"Critical Eyes" features pieces drawn from the private collections of local area art critics and museum curators. Bourgeau, the museum's director, feels the show offers an insight into the collections and tastes of people uniquely in tune with art.

"I wanted to see what someone who puts together art shows or critique art shows would collect," he said.

Two rooms in the back of the museum feature "e-MoNA," an art show solicited, collected and produced over the internet. Bourgeau put the show together by inviting over a thousand artists via email to submit work electronically to him as an email attachment. He then printed images sent in by 50 different artists from 25 different countries and put them on display.

Bourgeau urges the public to come to the museum with an open mind to see the paintings, photographs, video and audio works on display.

"There's something here for everybody. You can't gauge this art. You go with your gut, what engages you. Contemporary art is all about when people say 'I don't know anything about art, but I know what I like,'" said Bourgeau.

The museum which will be offering memberships and accepts donations is free to the public and is open from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. on Wednesday through Sunday.

As long as I'm involved with the museum, I'll try to keep it free," he said. "No one should pay for viewing art."

Dick Goody, director of Meadow Brook Art Gallery at OU, also believes the MoNA is a place to be visited.

"This puts Pontiac on the map in terms of contemporary art. It's just the place for experimental art in Detroit. Jeff Bourgeau is committed to art on the cutting edge," said Goody.

Jef Bourgeau didn't seek out his status as a controversial artist in the metro-Detroit area; he's had that dubious distinction thrust upon him.

Bourgeau was ticketed for displaying an exhibit at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Downtown Pontiac titled "Fear No Art: The Politics of Correctness." Ironically, this exhibit featured reproductions of pieces of art that had been accused of being "obscene." Bourgeau presented these paintings and photographs in a different setting, arranging them in a collage as if they were hanging in a locker, or bedroom.

Last March, the City of Pontiac dismissed a misdemeanor charge against Bourgeau for displaying the "obscene materials."

According to Bourgeau, the police took Polaroid photographs of works they considered the most "obscene," and gave him the citation.

The case received media coverage all of the world, and the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) stepped in to defend Bourgeau.

At a hearing at 50th District Court in Pontiac on June 28, the charge was dropped.

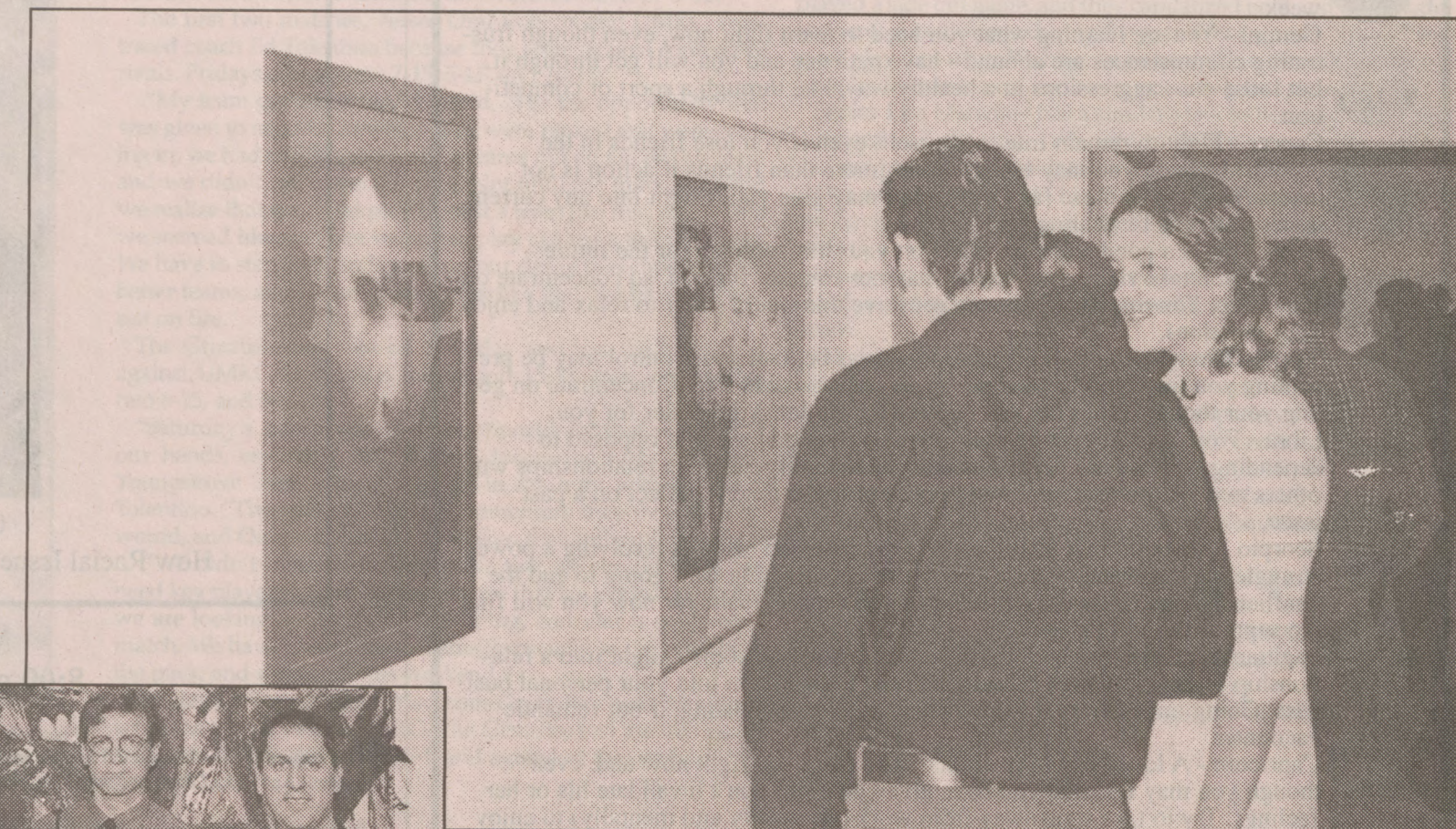
"That was a surprise," Bourgeau said. "The city said although they believed the images were obscene - and so, on record, they are still considered that - since I went so far as to cover the windows and move the show upstairs... I don't know where they got that one...that I showed that I was trying to protect the public from this offensive material, and so the charges should be dropped."

This wasn't Bourgeau's first run-in with adversity in displaying controversial art.

In November of 1999, the DIA hired Bourgeau to produce a 12-part series of exhibits about art in the 20th century, which he titled "Art Until Now." The first installment of this series, "Van Gogh's Ear," opened November 17th and included pieces that referenced or imitated famous controversial pieces of art.

Included in the exhibit was the piece "Bathtub Jesus," which references Andres Serrano's "Piss Christ." "Bathtub Jesus" features an anatomically correct "male baby doll with a condom."

Another exhibit in "Art until Now" imitated the art of Piero Manzoni, an artist known for canning the excrement of other artists and putting



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PICTURE PERFECT: (above & below) Museum patrons view one of the two exhibits on display at the Museum of New Art (MoNA) located in downtown Pontiac. The museum opened Saturday.

CENSORED MAN: (left) Jan van der March, former curator of the DIA stands with museum director, Jef Bourgeau (center) and John Cynar (R). All are members on the Board for the museum.



it on display. The piece, entitled "Self Portrait," consisted of a piece of fake dung bought by Bourgeau at a local Gag's and Gifts store and was displayed underneath two glass jars.

On November 19th, two days after "Van Gogh's Ear" opened, it was closed by the DIA. According to Bourgeau, the museum particularly objected to the exhibition of "Bathtub Jesus" and another exhibit with a racial slur in the title.

Bourgeau said that the closing of an exhibit after it opens is unheard of in the art community. He said that, traditionally, a museum reviews an exhibit, and decides if each piece of it is good enough to show.

"But once it's up, it's up," he said.

"(I was told) they wanted to postpone, and that (the DIA) wanted to edit and modify the show. They said 'postpone,' I heard 'shut down.' They said 'edit and modify,' I heard 'censor,'" Bourgeau said.

"Though it has a wing for contemporary art, the DIA has always had a reputation as an institution more suited to traditional art. The DIA is an encyclopedic museum. It waits for years until a piece is deemed 'art,' and then catalogues it," said Bourgeau.

Bourgeau also said this practice could sacrifice contemporary art's immediacy.

"Art has always been a mirror held up of its culture, and if you wait to see if an object is art, its meaning will be lost.

Bourgeau also warns of the "Disney-fixation" of large art museums.

"It's economics," he said. "Museums try to draw as many people as possible and attract a broad audience. That's not bad but if you try to play to everyone, you simply the art, and it dummies it down," said Bourgeau.

With his faith in the art community shaken, Bourgeau left the DIA.

"It scares me more than the Pontiac incident. You expect fines for obscenity, that happens every day. But it was much more scary to see



the art community censor itself."

Bourgeau received a settlement of \$12,400 from the DIA over the "Van Gogh's Ear" incident.

"I didn't know what to do with the money, really," he said.

The DIA money eventually became "seed money" for the MoNA.

"It's funny how things work out," he said.

Goody believes people can expect great things out of MoNA and Bourgeau if the money holds out.

"It's going to cost thousands of dollars to keep (the MoNA) going, but if Bourgeau's got the money, he's going to put on several exciting shows," said Goody.

View "Van Gogh's Ear" online at www.andrewfish.com/vangogh

The Museum of New Art is located at 19 N. Saginaw in Downtown Pontiac, next to the Blue Note Cafe. Contact Nextmuseum@aol.com for further details.

For Your entertainment

comedy

19th Nervous Breakdown

The Second City will begin its latest comedy sketch, "19th Nervous Breakdown" at 8 p.m. on Oct. 26 at Second City located next to the Fox Theatre. Tickets are \$10. For more information, please contact Ticketmaster at (248)-645-6666.

hauntings

Terror Town

Four Bears Water Park has revamped its Halloween attraction, "Terror Town" and are ready to deliver more thrills and chills this year. Located on Auburn Road, in Shelby Township, "Terror Town" opens at dusk. Shows will run Oct. 19-22, and Oct. 24-31.

town ball

Town Pumpkin Ball

The Town Pump Tavern will host "The Town Pumpkin Ball" on Oct. 31. There is no cover and 200 bones will be given for the best costume. For more information, please call (313)-961-8310.

concerts

The Mighty Mighty Bosstones

Get out and get mighty mighty crazy with The Mighty Mighty Bosstones. They will be performing with special guests Sum 41 at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 21 at St. Andrews Hall.