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Food talk

A new e-mail address (foodtalk@oakland.edu) can be used to send questions, comments, or concerns about ARAMARK's dining facilities (Pioneer Food Court, Beer Lake Yacht Club, and Vandenberg Dining Center).

The received messages will then be submitted to the ARA-MARK officials.

The e-mail address, monitored by Jay Gazlay of the Residence Halls Council, was implemented Monday.

Cultural awareness week

"America: A Reflection of History, An Evolution of Cultural Connections" is the theme for a series of events that are to take place during the Cultural Awareness Week, from Nov. 2-5:

 Celebrate Native American Heritage on Monday, Nov. 2 in the OC Gold Rooms A and B featuring Native American dance, ethnic food at the Center Stage, and artifacts.

There will be a historical program in the Fireside Lounge, and a Native American tepee will be placed outside OC.

· Election day will be Tuesday, Nov. 3, with the Real Happy String Band in the Food Court, a Center Stage menu, and mock elections in the Fireside Lounge.

Health shots

Get flu and Hepatitis B shots on Tuesday, Nov. 3 between 11:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. in the main hall of the OC.

The flu shots cost \$8, and Hepatitis B shots are \$37.

The vaccination is provided by the Graham Health Center.

Tickets for Quayle

The Center for Student Activities and Leadership Development is now selling tickets for the Wednesday, Nov. 11 lecture, to be held by former Vice President Dan Quayle in the Athletic Arena of the Rec

The tickets are \$5 for students and \$20 for general public.

Students must present ID. Only one ticket will be sold per

Post relocation

THE OAKLAND POST is temporarily relocated due to renovations in the lower level of the OC.

The new office is located on the south end of campus, in Trailer B next to SEB.

Fieger campaigns at OU AAUP

By LIDIJA MILIC News Editor

Many were surprised to find Geoffrey Fieger, democratic candidate for Michigan governor, in the OC Fireside Lounge Monday morn-

The crowd of about 80 people that formed Fieger's audience was notified either by word of mouth or a few fliers distributed across campus in the few days prior to the event.

According to Paul Franklin, coordinator of campus programs, Fieger's office contacted OU Thursday afternoon to set up the gubernatorial candidate's visit.

Fieger said OU is the last of the universities he will visit on his last-minute campaign trail, before the Nov. 3 election.

Due to relatively low voting turnout from the student demographic group, politicians rarely campaign on campuses, he explained.

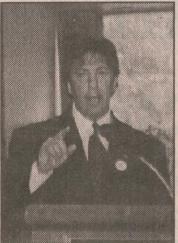
"You're marginal voters, you don't turn out," Fieger said to the gathered students.

However, introducing himself as a candidate who will "rock the boat" and "rock the vote," Fieger urged students to exercise their voting power.

"If you don't participate, you can't complain about it," he

Fieger tackled several issues in his speech, including Michigan economy, the state of the roads, and Proposal B for legalization of assisted sui-

He attacked Governor John Engler's privatization policy,



FIEGER TIME: (top) Geoffrey Fieger, democratic gubernatorial candidate, visited OU Monday on a campaign trail.

LOUNGE POLITICS: (right) After the speech, audience members got a chance to meet Fieger, get autographs and ask questions about his political stands.

especially in the area of social

According to Fieger, private agencies performing social services are less expensive, political but carry a

unquali-

Fieger under it." spoke of several lawsuits he con-

ducted in the past.

In vivid descriptions, he cited them as examples of his continuous "struggle for civil rights" and against "political

"I still hear the anguish of their cries," he said.

The biggest problem in the leadership Michigan,

threat of "I didn't call (Engler) a according fied, even chicken. I just had a is lack of chicken (on the podi- compas-As illus- um) with his name Fieger strongly

> Geoffrey Fieger closing of Gubernatorial candidate mental

> > "The purpose of government is to help those most vulnerable... not (to work for) career politicians and special interests," he



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Along the same lines, Fieger explained his stand on assisted suicide.

He said both abortion and assisted suicide are "tragic personal decisions" and that he supports neither.

However, he said, "I don't think government (should) own our bodies."

The decision to do either,

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grievance on hold

TANIA PREPOLEC **Assistant News Editor**

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) grievance, recently submitted for a second-step review, has been postponed.

The original grievance, filed after the Aug. 6 Board of Trustees meeting, occurred after the board approved a recommendation made without consulting OU faculty.

The recommendation, made by OU President Gary Russi, was to appoint William Macauley to the position of interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS).

Macauley previously served as the assistant dean of CAS.

According to CAS constitution, the faculty must be informed before such a deci-

Eileen Bantel, executive director of the AAUP, said the second-step grievance is about the CAS constitution and the facul-

ty contract. "If the university violates a constitution, they also violate the contract," Bantel said. Michael Polis, dean of the School of Education and Computer Science, was appointed to review the second-step

The first step was reviewed by William Connellan, OU's contracting officer and

vice provost, on Sept. 1. The AAUP was not satisfied with Connellan's response and filed for step two on Sept. 24.

According to Connellan, 10 working days are allowed to schedule the hearing between the AAUP and a university offi-

Polis said that normally the university

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Hazing still threat in colleges, sports, army

opposed

hospitals.

By JEANNEE KIRKALDY Editor In Chief

Physical and mental abuse, forced alcohol consumption, abduction, branding.

These are just a few examples of hazing. There are many more, and incidents continue to occur across the country despite the punishments, injuries and deaths.

The birthdate of hazing is unknown, but in the past five years a number of cases have made hazing history. This, in turn, has created a national movement to carefully define hazing, said David Herman, OU's Dean of

Herman also said hazing takes place not only within college organizations, but also in armed forces and proathletic teams.

Hazing is defined in OU's handbook as:

"Any action taken or situation created either during the formal pledge period or after initiation into the organization, whether on or off campus, which produces mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment or ridicule, or any activity which threatens or endangers the life or safety of an individual."

Felecia Bumpus, director of intramural sports and former advisor of OU's Greek organizations, said, "We've been lucky. As far as hospitalization and deaths, (there were none) in the seven years I (acted as advisor)."

Though OU has been "lucky," others have not. In February 1994, a Southeast Missouri State University student Michael Davis blacked out after going through a "seven station circle of physical abuse." Davis died due

to a head injury. Keith Allen was charged with five counts of hazing, one for each pledge he hazed.

The court brief in the case of Missouri State vs. Allen detailed "open-hand strikes to the back of the neck,

chest, and back, caning their feet and buttocks, various kicks and punches to the body, and 'body slamming'" as the activities that took place in a series of week-long haz-

The Chronicle of Higher Education reported that Davis suffered a lacerated kidney and liver, broken ribs and bruises on his upper body.

More recently, a hazing incident resulted in the death of a hazee at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Scott Krueger, 18, fell into a coma last September after a binge drinking session at a local fraternity.

In this case, a grand jury indicted the fraternity, rather than individuals, on hazing and manslaughter charges. The grand jury's decision is believed to be the first case

in the United States where the fraternity chapter itself

was charged with homicide, the Associated Press report-According to the Massachusetts law, manslaughter carries up to 20 years in prison and a \$1,000 fine. Additionally, hazing is punishable with up to one-and-a-

half years in prison and carries a \$3,000 fine. The Associated Press reported that, if found guilty, the fraternity will only be responsible for the fines. Unfortunately, hazing is stereotypically associated with Greek organizations. However, the U.S. Armed Forces are not immune to the dangerous and unacceptable

activities that classify as hazing. In 1993, the U.S. Marine Corps announced that nine marines, including three sergeants and a corporal, would be disciplined, and a gunnery sergeant would be discharged for an incident that occurred while they were

CNN reported the call for action came down after a videotape revealed hazing victims "grimacing" during a banned ritual, called "blood-winging" or "blood-pin-



DANGER: Hazing is still a problem for many groups.

The rituals, which took place in South Korea, were described as an activity in which a group of marines used another marine, wearing a helmet, as a battering ram to drive gold pins into the chests of victims. The pins signify the completion of jump school.

In another incident, 10 cadets at the Citadel Military College were punished in March 1997, after two female cadets reported they were hazed. According to a CNN report, the women claimed "their clothes were set on fire while they wore them."

The incident was reported just six months ago after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that public, male-only military academies were unconstitutional. The two complainants were two of the only four women enrolled at the Citadel at that time.

Locker rooms and playing fields also appear to have their share of hazing.

The NFL's security office investigated the New Orleans

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Student Affairs VEN

UPDATING OU

- Club Cappuccino is now open for everyone! You don't have to be a member of the Rec Center to enjoy the great food!!!
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 Chrysler Day. This special day for Chrysler Corporation on Oakland's campus (Oct. 6) was a great success, with more than 200 students interacting with Chrysler representatives to explore professional career opportunities at the automotive company. Hosted by Placement & Career Services, the event also featured a noon presentation by OU alumnus and Chrysler Vice President of Manufacturing, Mr. D.K. Pawley, on the future of Chrysler in

the global economy. Career Resource Center (CRC). Hours at the newly reopened CRC, located in 121 NFH, continue Tuesday-Thursday, noon-4 p.m. (open counseling), and Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-noon (by appointment). All students are invited to stop by to learn about the information resources and services now available to students at the center.

• Cheaper Than A Movie Ticket! For one of the best entertainment values around, check out the Student Rush Tickets at Meadow Brook Theatre. For only \$5 per ticket, you can see productions at this award-winning professional theatre. But 1 or 2 tickets per ID for \$5 each at the Box Office in Wilson Hall the day of the performance ("A Christmas Carol" excluded). Call 370-3300 for a free brochure.

• Memberships for the new Rec Center are still available for student spouses, faculty, staff, alumni and their families. Check out the Rec Center during open hours Monday-Friday, 6 a.m.-11 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.

• Oakland University groups interested in performing in The Detroit Lions Thanksgiving Day Half-Time Tribute to the 25th anniversary of the NFL/United Way partnership should call Aileen Mand of Mindy Dow Productions at 1-888-589-0213.

THIS WEEK

· Professional Placement Recruiting. Students of all majors and all degree levels who are expecting to graduate this year and who would like to explore the job market should register as soon as possible with Placement & Career Services. Once registered, students' resumes appear on the Web and can be readily viewed by prospective employers. Visit the Placement & Career **Services** web site at http://phoenix.placement.oak- <u>land.edu</u> for information on campus recruiting by employers, as well as related information of interest to all students.

• Oct. 30th the OU Men's Swimming Team will host the Golden Grizzly Quadrangular Meet with Michigan, Eastern Michigan and Michigan State at 7 p.m. Help open the new pool, join the fun!

Sign-up for co-ed basketball ends today at

 Sign-up for floor hockey ends Thursday at 5 p.m.

Fieger

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Fieger said, should be between the person and his or her maker, not made by "some bureaucrat."

He called Dr. Jack Kevorkian "symbol for freedom of choice and civil rights."

is less controversial than abortion, because it does not involve the third party, the unborn fetus. He called assisted suicide a

"conscious decision" made between a responsible adult and his or her doctor.

Fieger also attacked his oppo-

nents' commercials, quoting him as calling Jesus "a goofball."

He said the words were taken out of context. He said that in the quote, he was talking about Jesus' enemies and what they probably thought of Jesus 2,000 years ago.

Brian Phillips, communications sophomore, asked Fieger to explain the contradiction of his Fieger also said assisted suicide statements against public negative attacks, and his own attacks against Engler in recent commer-

> Fieger denied having made negative attacks on Engler.

"I didn't call (Engler) a chicken," he said.

"I just had a chicken (on the

Fieger also criticized Engler for not agreeing to participate in a televised debate.

"This is the first time in 40 years (that a candidate does not want to do debate)," he said.

If elected, Fieger promised to "clean the house" in Lansing and restore the ideals of Jefferson and Adams in Michigan legislature. "I'm not a politician. I'm sim-

ply a citizen," Fieger said. "Nobody owns me and nobody

controls me." The audience left with strong impressions, some favorable, others negative.

"I was very impressed with his

podium) with his name under rhetoric," said Brian Potter, communications junior.

"I think too many people are afraid of his radical ideas.

However, other audience members did not feel supportive of

Kathy Dahlstrom, special lecturer of journalism, visited the event with her students.

"Several students in my class were upset because they felt (Fieger) was talking down to them," Dahlstrom said.

"I felt he berated the people who asked him questions. think he was not very respectful. because they were students," she

Hazing

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Saints last August for an alleged hazing incident that occurred while at a training camp in Wisconsin.

According to a report by the Associated Press, tight end rookie Cam Cleeland sustained an eye injury and possibly a broken nose, due to a hazing incident that took place on Aug. 20.

Cleeland was one of a number of rookies who had a pillowcase pulled over his head and forced to run through a gauntlet of 25 to 30 veteran players. As rookies ran through the gauntlet, the veteran players allegedly struck them with their elbows and shoulders. The rookies also said they were struck with bags of

Coach Mike Ditka said the Saints involved in forming the gauntlet could not be identified, and thus they could not be fined or punished.

Hazing has also turned up at the hands of college football players.

Administrators at Alfred University in New York forfeited a football game due to younger players getting hazed by their veteran teammates. University

officials also said another student was expelled after five freshman football players were allegedly treated for alcohol poisoning after an off-campus party.

As a result of the alcohol-related incident, the Associated Press said five football players were arrested by the Alfred Village police and charged with providing alcohol to a child. Additionally, two of the players face a felony charge of an unlawful imprisonment charge, which is a result of a freshman claiming players were tied up and told to drink alcohol or be forced to

drink water until they vomited. Six players were suspended from the team for the remainder of the season, including the team's two co-captains. Another student, already on disciplinary probation, was expelled pending the results of a university disciplinary hearing.

As proven by these recent examples, hazing is a dangerous activity. Both hazers and hazees suffer consequences; the hazing is revealed every time an individual is hospitalized or dies, and it is punished in court systems across the nation.

So what is the attraction to haz-

Jean Ann Miller, Center for Activities Leadership Development director and acting advisor for Greek

organizations, thinks that "for men, it's probably whether or not you're worthy. If (one) can withstand whatever they put you through, you're worthy of being initiated."

"For women, it's the same thing—to be involved. (Becoming a member of the Greek system) is a means of finding a group you feel comfortable with. It helps (one) to have a connection with the university," Miller said.

History also has a lot to do with hazing, Miller said.

"(Greek) 'alums' are very influential. I think (that) sometimes they want the actives to experience what they did. (But) I think the actives are aware that hazing is not allowed, not only from the university, but also from the national chapters. They kinda get a double whammy."

OU's Greek organizations are required to attend a Pledge Training Program, in which a section is devoted to the subject of hazing, Herman said.

Miller added that this year, OU particularly stressed the alcohol

She found everyone to be highly sensitive this year regarding hazing, especially with alcohol. Miller added there has been a visible improvement throughout

"There was a lot of hazing branched MY 1921

when I got here, and that was back in '83. Now the list of hazing rules are strictly enforced... There (have) been definite changes," she said.

In the past five years, Miller said approximately two sororities and three fraternities have had to go through OU's judicial process due to hazing incidents. One involved a ring of fire, and another involved a student receiving a dead raccoon.

Herman said, "I think (that) to stop hazing, student organization leaders need to take a personal initiative and leadership. It only takes one individual to (initiate hazing), but if all individuals stand against it, (hazing) won't happen."

Although OU does not have a hazing hotline, Herman said students, faculty and staff with questions and concerns can contact the Dean of Students office at (248) 370-3352.

Hazing is illegal in 39 states. However, according to Ingham County assistant prosecutor David Hartwit, "There is no specific statute for hazing (in Michigan)."

Hartwit said charges involving hazing would be filed on the basis of the incident and its outcome, such as an assault and

AAUP

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ance, but was given an extension until Thursday because possible AAUP options took longer to

Polis will deliver the written response to the AAUP on Thursday.

"If (AAUP) is not satisfied with my reply, the next step would be arbitration," Polis said.

Arbitration involves "going before a neutral party called an arbitrator, who would hear the case and make an award either upholding the (AAUP) grievance, or the university's position," Bantel said.

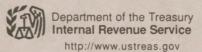
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THIS WEEK

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Tickets are on sale. Ticket prices will be \$5 for Oakland University Students, Employees and Alumni Association Members only at the CSA Service Window. OU guest and General Public tickets will be \$20 and will be available at the CSA Service Window and all TicketMaster Outlets.

Vice President Quayle, in his speech entitled "Standing Firm" will offer his incites into the results of the November 3rd national election as well as his views of what the issues will be for the immediate future for the country. Audience members will have an opportunity to ask Mr. Quayle questions.

Mark down Wednesday, November 11, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. on your calendar and do not miss this timely lecture.

International Travel

This year CSA is coordinating two exciting international trips.

The first trip to Historic Mexico will be during winter break, February 20 - 27, 1999 for a cost of \$1590 per person.

The May trip to Turkey and will be from May 15 - May 25, 1999. The cost will be \$1950 per person.

Information about both trips are now available at CSA. Reservations for either trip can be made by calling Gina at DeWald Travel, (248) 528-9900 or (800) 228-0707.

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- 12:00 N Hispanic Dance
- 12:00 N, Oakland Center, Fireside Lounge The **Mexican Revolution Photographic Exhibit**
- 7:00 PM, Oakland Center, Homage to Garcia Lorca

Friday, October 30

- 10:00 AM, Oakland Center, Gold Room Latin American Tastefest, Mercado and Information Fair
- 12:00 N, Oakland Center, Fireside Lounge United Farm Workers: Past, Present and Future
- 1:00 PM Migrant Education Initia

Sunday, November 1

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EDITOR'S VIEW

One vote makes difference between winning & losing

According to a Detroit News poll published Monday, two-thirds of Michigan voters oppose Proposal B, the majority of voters support Proposal C, and Engler leads the gubernatorial race by 2-1.

So where do you stand on these issues?

By the look of things, after Nov. 3, Proposal B will no longer be an issue, for now at least. Proposal C will be the beginning of a cleaner Michigan, using the taxpayers' money rather than the polluters', and Engler will begin his third consecutive term.

If you fall within the majority of voters expected to vote "Yes" for these three campaigns, great.

If you feel differently, what can you do?

Hmm, maybe vote?

This may sound sarcastic, but why shouldn't it?
After all, according to a study conducted by the Alliance for Better Campaigns, voter turnout has reached an all-time low in statewide primaries.

The study showed the average turnout for primaries held through mid-June was 16.86 percent, which is a 19.58 percent decrease from the 1994 primaries.

America's system is created the way it is in order to give its people the opportunity to voice their concerns and choose the right people for office.

If no one votes, the purpose of the system is defeated. If you don't like the way things are, there is an opportunity for things to change—if you take advantage, and vote on Nov. 3.

If you don't vote and are registered, you have no business griping about the way things are.

Voting is not a difficult task. For those who say: "I don't have time," "I don't care," or "My one vote won't make a difference," think again.

OU Alumnus Tim Melton, a Democrat, would surely beg to differ.

He beat his Democratic opponent, incumbent Jeff Kingzett, also an OU alumnus, by a mere vote in the August primary election for Oakland County Commissioner, District 7 (N. Pontiac, Lake Angelus and Auburn Hills), with 1,223 against 1,222 votes.

Kingzett filed suit demanding a manual recount which was denied by the Oakland County Circuit Court.

One vote.

With a close race like that, Kingzett would have benefitted if one or two more people who supported him would have gone to the polls and voted.

It's sad that at the 1998 primary, there were 585,576 registered voters in Oakland County alone, but less than 20 percent turned out for the election.

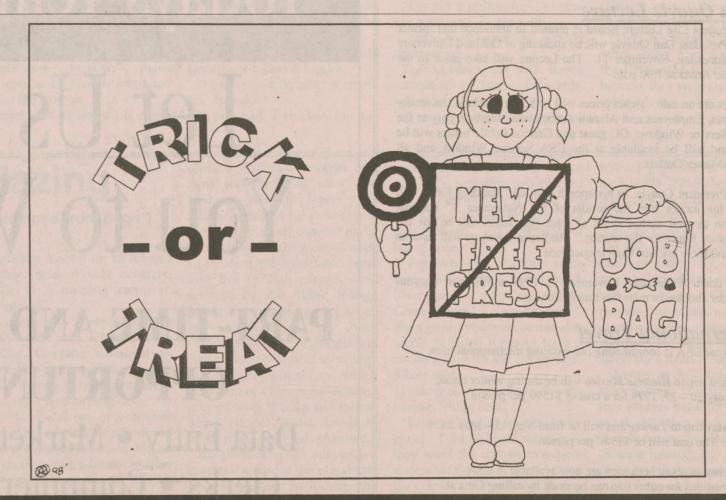
One should care about who is creating a better Michigan by signing our legislation, bettering our education and cleaning our environment.

On Nov. 3, vote. It will make a difference.

And, if you are 18 years or older and a United States Citizen, and aren't registered to vote, you can register at your township or county clerks office or by mail, and although it won't be in time for this election, still take the initiative, in the long run it can make a difference.

JEANNEE KIRKALDY

OPINION



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student finds guild pickets out of bounds

Dear Editor,

I was disturbed to read in the Oct. 21 edition of The Post that OU officials feel the disruption of Neal Shine's class on Oct. 7 by Detroit newspaper pickets was "an acceptable form of protest."

How can they deem such a thing acceptable? It saddens me that the University finds it "acceptable" that anyone off the street can walk into a classroom and not only frighten students (I was in that class and initially we were frightened... we had no idea why those people were there), but totally disrupt the learning process.

Isn't it the University's job to ensure that this learning process goes on in an environment that is not only safe, but free of outside distractions, such as pickets barging into a classroom and, in my view, verbally assaulting students? I assure you, nothing about this form of protest is "acceptable."

I have no problem with people picketing,

sary action... but they shouldn't have brought it into the classroom, on our time... during time we had paid hundreds of dollars for

What are we paying the University for then? To allow people to disrupt classes and take away from our learning time? I can't help but wonder... If the situation were reversed and these people had come into Mary Beth Snyder's office... or President Russi's... in the middle of the work day and frightened THEIR staff and disrupted THEIR work... how "acceptable" would this form of protest be?

I think in this case, the University has decided the picket is more important than the student's right to learn.

Sincerely,

Lisa Valentine Journalism Senior

OU applauded for alcohol awareness activities

Dear Editor,

I want to commend Oakland University on the outstanding job the university did with Alcohol Awareness Week. The Mock Graveyard, I feel, is very effective because they are real people that students can relate to. The Mock accident (last) Monday was a wonderful idea. It was very effective in getting its point across, Don't drink and drive.

My only criticism is that the time the accident was held, the first time at 11:30, was not very good because, classes were still in session. Students in my classes hardly moved when they heard the sirens of the fire truck. I feel that if the accident was held at 11:50 then it may have attracted even more attention, and it would not have been necessary to perform it again at 12:30. Also, though it may be difficult to get, if there were more fierce props used, such as air lifting someone

away in a helicopter, or using the jaws of life to tear open a car to remove a victim, it would be even scarier to passerby's.

Being in a Greek Organization, I feel that we really need to show our support of Alcohol Awareness Week, and warn people against the dangers of driving drunk. I am proud to say that my sisters were able to help with the accident. I feel it showed how much Greeks do support alcohol awareness. Everyone that helped with the accident did a phenomenal job. Oakland University should be proud of the awareness they raised about the horrible truths of drunk driving.

Sincerely,

Marnie Diem Gamma Phi Beta Elementary Education Sophomore



MAPPY MALLOWEEN

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

Have fun, be safe

See page 6 for more Letters to the Editor

Professor says USA glorifies hate crimes

Dear Editor,

With respect to your article on hate crimes (Oct. 7), one should certainly take into consideration the fact that the USA was founded on hate crimes (the genocide of millions of Indians, motivated by Americans' desire for their land and hatred for those who were different). In addition, besides the hate crimes of individual Americans that you mention, the USA as a whole has continued to commit mass murder (from the slaughter of about one million Filipino civilians by the USA during its colonization of the Phillipines between 1899 and 1906 to the mass murder of millions of Vietnamese in the Vietnam war to the killing of over a million Iraqi civilians via an air war that deliberately attacked civilian targets and an embargo that deliberately keeps food, medicine, and other essentials out of a starving, sick Iraqi civilian population). As long as the USA glorifies its past and current holocausts, don't be surprised if hate crimes continue.

Sincerely,

Austin Murphy Professor of Finance

TRUSTEES' CORNER

The Board of Trustee's November meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting will be at 2 p.m. on Dec. 3 in the Gold Rooms of the OC.

SETTING IT STRAIGHT

THE OAKLAND Post corrects factual errors that appear on its pages.

• Last week, due to system errors, jumps for two sports stories did not print. See page 10 for the articles in their entirety.

Post Information

Due to OC renovations, The OAKLAND POST has moved to the south side of campus. The office is temporarily located next to the Science and Engineering Building in Trailer B.

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CALENDAR

FESTIVALS & SHOWS

• Beanie Baby Show

Featuring new and retired dolls and accessories for sale. Sunday, Nov. 1, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Plymouth Cultural Center. Call (734) 455-2110 for ticket

FOR YOUR HEALTH

Surviving Divorce

A discussion of marital breakup and recovery. Monday, Nov. 2 Center for Creative Living, 317 E. 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Cost: \$5. Call (248) 414-4050.

FUNDRAISERS

 Crittenton Gourmet Gala Sample the specialties of nearly 40 area restaurants while supporting Crittenton Hospital programs. Sunday, Nov. 1, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Troy Mariott Hotel, Troy. Call (248) 652-5345 to purchase tickets or for more information.

 Society of Animal Artists "Impressions of the Natural World," an exhibit featuring artists Robert Bateman, Richard Sloan, Dino Paravano, Heiner Hertling, and Sherry Sander. Now through Saturday, Oct. 31. Ambleside Gallery, 375 Fisher Rd., Grosse Pointe. Proceeds benefit the Michigan Wildlife Habitat Foundation. Call (313) 885-8999 for details.

• Children of Chernobyl Relief Fund An annual behefit concert for Chabad's Children of Chernobyl, a humanitarian medical relief program for Russian Jewish Children. Features Israeli folk and pop singer Dedi, and a special ceremony honoring Melinda Soble, an Emmy-Award-Winning TV producer. Sunday, Nov. 1, 7 p.m. Southfield Centre for the Arts. Call (248) 855-4482 or (248) 855-6170 to purchase tickets.

• Krazy Hilda's Trail of Terrors A Halloween attraction to benefit the Michigan Humane Society. Nightly now through Oct. 31, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 7:30 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday. Admission: \$6.50 adults, \$4.50 children 12 & under. Mary's Farm Market, 47453 Ford Rd., Canton. Call (734) 485-

LECTURES

• Legends of Old Detroit

French Canadian legends of werewolves, ghosts, and devils with historian Geoff Hoerauf. Thursday, Oct. 29, 7:30 p.m. Troy Museum, Troy. Free admission. Call (248) 524-3570 for reservations.

OF INTEREST TO ALL

• Introduction to the Internet A presentation for adults who would like to learn about the Internet in a friendly environment. No prior computer experiance necessary. Monday, November 2, 7:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Rochester Hills Public Library. Call (248) 650-7137.

 Photograph handcoloring A one-day workshop for adults. Learn to handcolor a matte, black and white photo. Wednesday, Oct. 28, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Paint Creek Center for the Arts, Rochester. Cost: \$18 members, \$25 non-members. Call (248) 651-4110.

OU Student Congress will release a brochure of their Oakland and Macomb County state senate and state representative survey on Thurday, Oct. 29, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the OC. The

• Candidate Survey Released

candidates were asked questions regarding financial aid, sales tax on textbooks, campus safety and appropriations (money from the state) for higher education.

Let us know about upcoming community events. Local News Editor Kim Connell can be reached at (248) 370-4267

Group spreads election education

Local News Editor

Women have cried for it. Men have died for it. And millions of people around the world, even in organized countries, still don't have it.

Yet thousands of people in the United States who do have it take it for granted, not even bothering to use it.

It's the freedom and the power to vote. But some groups like the League of Women Voters (LWV) are trying to change all that, one voter at a time.

LWV, a national voter education group, was conceived about 80 years ago, spawning from the women's suffrage movement. It was created as a result of the United States Constitution's 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote.

LWV is one of the only voter education groups which has withstood the country's constantly evolving voting climate, while continuing to remain non-partisan, non-profit and volunteer run.

Chapters of the LWV exist in states across the country. Michigan has three chapters, including one right here in the Rochester area.

The 35 year-old Rochester Area League has a lot of work ahead of them, trying to educate the population and encourage them to head to the polls before the Nov. 3 elections.

The group also helps to register voters and to monitor campaigns.

Mary Howarth, president of the Rochester LWV chapter, stresses the

ELECTION '98



league's importance in the area, especially for those who will be voting for the first time in this year's election.

"When you walk into a voting site and don't have the faintest idea who to vote for or how to use the machines, you'll stay away," she said.

According to information provided by both the Oakland and Macomb County Election Divisions, primary vote turnout this year in both counties has increased about three percent over the 1996 totals. Twenty-one percent of registered voters in Oakland County voted in this year's primary elections, and about 23 percent of registered voters in Macomb County.

General election turnout for the two counties in 1996 was about 62 percent of registered voters in Oakland County, and about 59 percent of registered voters in Macomb County.

The LWV of Rochester (LWVRA) is taking these numbers to heart in their ongoing campaign.

In their national and Rochester chapter's mission, the LWV vows to educate voters through the use of free voter guides and a free voter's ready reference, which each individual chapter researches and publishes with donated

The guides contain the names of all candidates running for office; their short, self-written biographies; and responses to five platform-specific questions asked to all candidates in each

According to Howarth, the phone has been ringing off the hook with residents inquiring about where to get the guide and reference books. Both are available

at the LWVRA website at www.metronet.lib.mi.us/ROCH/lwv/league .html, at local libraries throughout the Metro Detroit area and in republished format in some Metro Detroit newspa-

Some businesses such as Home Depot and the Ford Motor Company have ordered boxes of the guides to pass out to their employees to make them wellinformed, said Howarth.

The LWVRA, in conjunction with the city of Rochester Hills, has also recently sponsored a few candidates' nights on Rochester Hills local cable channel 55. Watchers have had the chance to learn about candidates running for local offices and voice their concerns in the live phone-in sessions.

"In Rochester, we're fortunate to have very good support from the city," Howarth said.

Working with area schools to educate

See LWV page 14

Preparing yourself

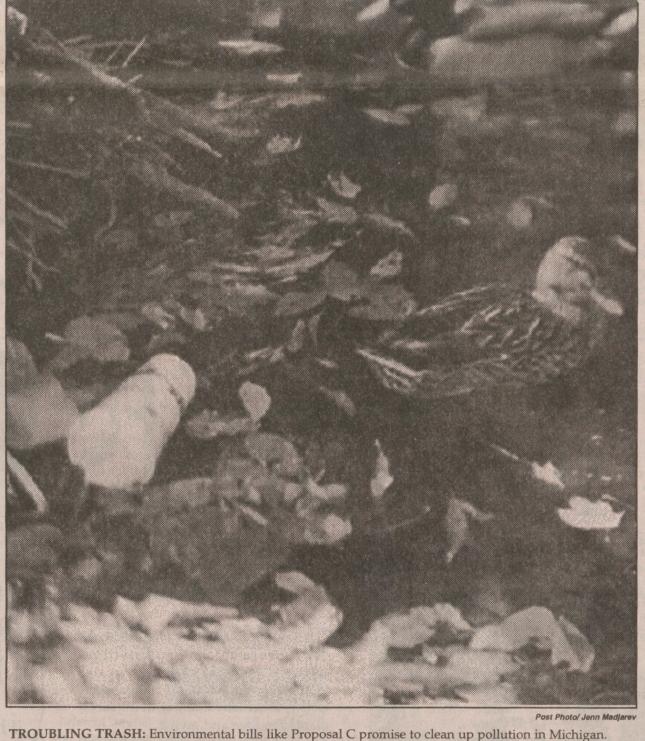
The LWV and others involved in poltics suggest that those already registered to vote do the following before November 3:

• If you are not in your voting district, physically unable to get to the polls, unable to attend due to religious tenets, an election worker in another district, 60 years or older, or confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial, apply for an absentee ballot from your township or city clerk by mail or in person by 2 p.m. October 31. Emergency requests can be made until 4 p.m. on the day preceding election day. The return deadline is 8 p.m. on election day. Citizens qualified to vote by absent voter ballot may vote in person in the clerk's office until 4 p.m. on the day preceding the election.

· Pay close attention to election articles in the newspapers, not so much to political advertising.

· Talk to politicians whenever possible and participate in meet the candidate nights.

• Check out a few websites that may help you learn about election candidates and issues, including: The LWVA, www.lwv.org; Elec-Net, www.iupui.edu/~epackard/eleclink.html; and Project VoteSmart, www.vote--smart.com.



Spotlight on

Staff Writer

Proposal C, the \$675 million, bond funded plan to clean up Michigan's environment, is good, but not without its faults, critics say.

"Polluters should clean up ("brownfields"), and the taxpayers are paying for it," said Noel Bennett, Clean Water Fund spokesperson.

Proposal C is a revision of Gov. John Engler's \$500 million, bond funded Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI), proposed in January. The Michigan Environmental Council, a group of environmental organizations, proposed an extra \$175 million.

The final proposal has bipartisan support, with advocates including Detroit's Democratic Mayor Dennis Archer and Michigan's Republican Gov. John Engler.

If passed in the November 3 election, the \$675 million bond will be split into nine areas:

- Brownfield (heavy polluted area) redevelopment will get \$335 million, with \$40 - \$60 million of that used for contaminated sites which pose significant or imminent
- State parks get \$50 million, · Local parks get \$50 million,
- Waterfront improvements get \$50 million, · Contaminated lake and river sediments get \$25 mil-
- Nonpoint source pollution prevention and control projects get \$50 million,
- Water quality monitoring and water resources protection and pollution control activities get \$90 million,
- Pollution prevention programs get \$20 million, and
- Lead abatement gets \$5 million,
- The original CMI proposal was criticized for not

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district-specific candidate listings, consult the League of Women Voters of Michigan website at: www.mlc.lib.mi.us/~lwvmil, visit any local library and ask for the LWV Voter Guide and Voter Ready Reference, or call LWV at (248) 650-

This is a partial listing of major campaigns. For 0330 to request free copies.

More Letters To The Editor

Faculty members demand appointment of Women's Studies Coordinator

Dear Editor,

In the past two weeks, more than sixty faculty members have signed a petition urging current Oakland University Administration to move forward on hiring a permanent Coordinator for the Women's Studies Concentration. For a number of years, the Coordinator position has been filled on a temporary basis, although the duties and responsibilities of the position have continued to increase. The Women's Studies Coordinator position has been treated as a second-class citizen at a university in which female students make up 62 percent of the population, and faculty with full-time responsibilities in their home departments have generously given of their time and energies in order to staff this position. However, no academic unit can thrive without continuity of leadership and the appropriate commitment of financial resources.

has spoken repeatedly of hiring a permanent Coordinator who will also have an appointment in an academic department of the university. The time is now. A Coordinator needs to be in place to start the next academic year, that is, by August 15, 1999. The position needs to be allocated immediately and the hiring process begun.

The Administration is presented with a unique opportunity. The chief decision-makers at Oakland University, if they act swiftly to begin the hiring of a permanent Women's Studies Coordinator, can fulfill their oftenvoice promise, prominent in the university's Strategic Plan, to devote resources to foster excellence in undergraduate education and to increase the understanding of human diversity on our campus.

Today Women's Studies courses are offered at more than 2,000 colleges and universities nationwide. In Michigan alone, seven insti-

Over the past six years, the Administration tutions, including the University of Michigan and Michigan State, now offer majors in Women's Studies. Surely Oakland University in its pledge to prepare our students for the 21st century does not wish to remain behind while other forward-thinking educators publicly declare their real commitment to diversity and gender issues through their support of strong Women's Studies programs. We call upon you to act now and begin a search to fill this vital position.

Sincerely,

Natalie B. Cole **Associate Professor of English**

Professor Cole submitted this letter to the editor on behalf of the Women's Studies Executive

Proposal B offers alternative

Dear Editor,

I plan to vote for Proposal B, for one simple reason: I'm 66-yearsold, so I will probably die fairly soon. As any honest doctor or nurse will tell you, dying is usually a very unpleasant experience. (Or read Dr. Sherwin Nuland's fascinating How We Die.) True, morphine will reduce the pain, if you don't mind being in a stupor for the last part of your life. But dying often involves many kinds of suffering besides pain: gasping for breath, pressure from a growing tumor, bleeding from various orifices, loss of memory, inability to think straight, continual bedwetting, soiling, vomiting, farting, hiccuping, coughing, sneezing, etc. as your systems shut down one by one. Morphine does nothing for any of these conditions. They can last for days, or weeks, or even months. Why go through all this, or any of this? If there is a God, does He want us to go through all this or any of this? Why?

When my condition becomes hopeless, I plan to terminate my life, as I already have a perfect moral and legal right to do. (It's called "liberty.") But if I am unable to do it by myself, I want a doctor to be able to help me without risking a murder charge. That's all Proposal B would do: It says doctors will not be charged with murder if they choose to help a dying person to kill himself, provided they fulfill certain conditions. Yes, it could be abused by families who put undue pressure on dying family members to make use of it when they don't want to, perhaps to save money. But this possibility seems to me greatly outweighed by the reduction in unnecessary suffering, and even unnecessary expense.

Please vote "Yes" on Proposal B. It doesn't require anyone, doctor or patient, to do anything they don't feel right about doing.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Burke Professor of Philosophy

Visitor finds OU students unfriendly

Dear Editor,

I believe that there is a very sad situation with the students who attend Oakland University.

First of all let me introduce myself. I am presently a student at Oakland Community College-Auburn Hills. From time to time I use the computer and library resources at Oakland for my studies. OK, enough about me, here is the problem: you guys are zombies!

I greeted several people with a simple "Hi" (not too loud, not too soft, just right so the person receives eye contact so they know I am talking to them.) I even said "Hey dude what's happening" to one guy with green hair and tattoos all over his arms. To my surprise, most people treated me like I was a petty criminal trying to scope a

drug sale. I asked myself, "Why are these students ignoring me? Am I too outspoken? Do I smell bad? Are

Oakland students arrogant and pompous?"

I think it is just that the average Oakland student just does not know what to do when a "stranger" approaches them.

That is why I have developed this complicated system for the typical Oakland University stu-

The system is called TALKING! You can try this revolutionary approach by practicing it in front of your mirror at home. You might want to pretend someone says "Hi," then you might respond by saying something like "Hi, how are you?" What might occur after that is endless. Opinions on current issues, professors and even social life might come up. Wow! I bet you guys did not know it was so easy!

Sincerely,

Nancy Gotham OCC- Auburn Hills

BU student asks to abolish hatred

Dear Editor,

Matthew Shepard died Monday 12 October 1998 from wounds sustained during a cruel beating at the hands of homophobic killers. Matthew was 21 years-old, a college student much like ourselves. I have been in a daze since then, wandering around this campus (Brown University) while trying to comprehend the rage I feel.

Everywhere I go- the cafeteria, on the man in green, in the halls of our campus-people have been going about their business, getting to class, writing their papers, chilling out in coffee bars at night. That is good. It is important to all of us that we succeed. But something seems to be missing here. Something seems to be hidden, obscured and Jundefined.

Where is your anger? Where is your rage? I am a Resumed Education student; it is my first semester at Brown University. Five years ago my roommate was viciously murdered in our home by two men who targeted him as homosexual. They came one evening when I wasn't there, tortured him with lit cigarettes, then beat him mercilessly with a hammer they had brought with them. He ibled to death on the floor.

bly did you. Like my roommate's murder, some look, that someone else might find reperate e-mail Matthew Shepards family at Matthew Shepard was targeted because of rehensible and focus hatred upon us?

his sexual orientation. We all may have our own ideas concerning what people should do in the privacy of their own home, but no rational person would agree that the way in which Matthew Shepard was tortured, then killed, was a reasonable reaction to his sexual orientation.

I ask you again: Where is your anger? Where is your rage?

Across this country, people have been talking about Matthew's murder and condemning this senseless act of violence perpetrated against one of our own, against a college student who had only begun to question himself and his role within the world around

Though the tendency may be great, we don't have to look at Matthew and what happened to him and say to ourselves, "Hey, he was queer. Let the queers deal with it." Regardless of our orientation, we can offer our support, voice our anger, breath on the flame of outrage that has begun to burn over Matthew's vicious murder. I do not advocate violence; I advocate dialogue.

"Why would I want to get involved? I've got mid-terms, I've got practice, I've got a relationship falling down the tubes?"

Because it could happen to you, too. Which Darren M. Jorgensen Naturally, the vicious murder of Matthew one of us doesn't have something, some Brown University Student Shepard has really angered me, as it proba- thought or some opinion, some lifestyle or

I am making a controversial argument here. I argue that we all have something to lose over Matthew's murder. We all lose our safety. We all lose that most precious peace of all, peace of mind. But most importantly, we stand to lose what makes us human, we stand to lose our dignity.

I am asking you to do something. I am asking you to do something, despite the fact that you are busy and that mid-terms are here, and that there are so many other things to do.

I ask you to talk about Matthew. I ask you to speak to your friends and dormmates, your professors and TA's, even with your parents. Speak of it on the steps of your buildings. Find out from each other what your feelings are. Discuss why Matthew died. Discuss what the loss of this one single life means to the rest of our own lives.

Let's open up the box that must contain your rage. The universities of this great country are filled with some of the brightest people in the world. Let's try to see if there is anything that can be done.

I am sure there is.

Sincerely,

mshepard@libra.pvh.org

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is Friday at 5 p.m. e-mail oakpost@oakland.edu or fax 370-4264

Campus 111ts



TRADITIONAL TERROR: Thomas Thomas and his daughter Rachel, decorate the outside of their George T. Matthews on-campus apartment to a halloween hilt every year.

A little lore goes a long way

Halloween didn't start off as the holiday of free candy and corporate-created

Originally known as All Hallow's Eve,

Oct. 31 is actually a day with it's roots planted in love and giving. Those who believed their dead loved ones still roamed the earth, would place plates of fine food and other treats on

their doorsteps. This treat-giving, seen then as gifts to appease the hungry ghosts, is what we know as modern day trick-or-treating.

its roots in ancient culture. Turnips, not pumpkins like now, were carved into scowling and scary faces.

The Jack-o-Lantern tradition also has

These carvings were meant to scare away any malignant or angry ghosts. Carvers thought that the angry ghosts would flee away from fear of the fake fiendish faces.



PUMPKIN FUN: Heidi Tripp and son, David, live in the George T. Matthews Apartments.



Information Courtesy / Halloween USA of Royal Oak

Witches

Devils

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CRIME

WATCH

Vandalism in office

A staff member at the Accounts Payable office in 110 North Foundation Hall reported Thursday that someone had entered the office overnight, stole some items and vandalized one of the employees' desk.

Investigation found that employee's name plate, valued at \$10, was missing from her desk.

Her papers were thrown around the room, and coffee money was spilled from the container into her desk drawer. Also, the employee's ink stamp was

papers and on her desk. The stamp, valued at \$10, is also

used to stamp "copy" on miscellaneous

reported missing. There was no sign of forced entry into

About two weeks ago, the office staff reported that the same employee's name plate was found broken, and pieces dispersed all over the office.

OU Police seized the coffee money container and the name plate holder for possible fingerprints.

The case is open.

Assault reported in Hamlin

A Hamlin Hall resident reported that he was attacked in his room Saturday around 2 a.m.

The resident said he and his suitemate were asleep in their rooms in Hamlin, when the light was turned on in his

He was awoken and told police he allegedly saw a former OU student whom he befriended in the summer of

The resident said he could not understand what the man was saying. The man then allegedly began to hit the resident in the head with his fist.

The resident told police his suitemate came in and pulled the attacker off of him.

The resident said he ran into the hallway, but the alleged attacker caught up with him and started hitting him again.

The suitemate followed them into the hallway and allegedly picked up a headboard that laid in the hallway and put it between the two to divide them.

The resident then ran back into his room, followed by the suitemate.

He said that the alleged attacker yelled out after them, "That's what you get for having sex with my girlfriend."

The attacker then reportedly left the

The resident said he received a threatening phone call from the same individual about two weeks ago, and that he will prosecute.

An OU Police officer noticed swelling and bruises on the resident's right eye and lips, and a large knot on the left side of his head.

Budget for lecture series covered

Student Life Lecture Series receives funding elsewhere after Congress withdraws its budget share

By LISA MUMMA Staff Writer

Generosity and quick thinking on the part of two OU organizations helped save an upcoming special lecture from the cutting board.

According to Dean of Students David Herman, the Forensics Department and the Student Activities Funding Board (SAFB) each donated a portion of their budget to fund the 1998-99 Student Life Lecture Series, especially the upcoming lecture by former Vice President Dan Quayle on Nov. 11.

"Between the two contributions, we were able to go through with the Quayle lecture," he said. "Forensics

and SAFB saved this lecture. Otherwise sive these days, and depending on the we would have had to cancel it."

According to Herman, the potential timing of the increase in the labor budget for Student Congress.

Congress, SPB and the Dean of Students Herman said. office is an effective partnership," he said. "This lack of funds jeopardizes a contract in good faith," he said. very successful program."

the right speakers, they do not need to

He said that speakers are very expen-

speaker, costs can range between \$10,000 - \$35,000. He also said that, crisis with the budget was due to the realistically, it is hard to predict the number of audience the event can draw.

The OU Forensics Team donated 'The lecture series between Student \$10,000 and SAFB donated \$2,500,

"Thanks to them, we could sign the

Congress President Scott Andrews Herman believes Congress is under said an unanticipated budget shortfall the impression that if they can bring in of student fees this semester, as well as a reduced overall spending budget have the money to back up the cost of compared to those in previous years, the lecture, more specifically the speak-required some different thinking and special planning to accomplish Congress' goals.

"Last year's Student Congress overspent its budget," he said. "They violated the bylaws and spent its \$5,000 savings. (They) also spent enough money where Student Congress was, at the beginning of the summer, in the

Other student organizations like SAFB ad SPB helped eliminate the Congress deficit in May.

Andrews said the lecture series was not the only casualty to the recent budget woes. A majority of the work that Congress would usually outsource, like the typesetting of its newsletters, will now be done by Congress members and

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A tree grows on campus

A group of faculty members and a few family friends gathered in the SEB and Dodge Hall courtyard at noon Thursday to attend a tree dedication ceremony for Michael Alan Wharry. Wharry, a 17-year-old son of two OU employees, died in a car crash in April. Pictured here are Wharry's mother Judith, manager in the telecommunications department, and father Ted, employee of the maintenance department.



Post Photo/Tom Bressle

Educators develop system to teach preschoolers math

By KRISTI TWORK

Special Writer

Two OU professors work really well with children. In fact, they got an award for it.

Ambika Bhargava and Anna Kirova-Petrova, from the School of Education and Human Services Department in the Human Development and Child Studies, are developing a system that will help preschool teachers develop math and logic curricula for their young students.

"The benefit for children will be to have learning experiences in the area of mathematics that will facilitate the transition to elementary school," Kirova-Petrova said.

Bhargava and Kirova-Petrova are in the final stage of twoand-a-half years of award-winning research. They have already presented portions of their research as part of the peer review stage of their project, Kirova-Petrova said. At a Michigan Association for Mediated Learning (MAML)

presentation, they were awarded an Outstanding Presentation Certificate.

The MAML is committed to consistently using Mediated Learning Experiences to foster change in students, colleagues and parents, and who further its use in all aspects of learning and community life, according to the MAML criteria for can-

The project has been funded by the University Research Committee who donated \$10,000, and by SEHS Dean Mary Otto, and the department chairman Ronald Swartz, who donated an additional \$5,000.

During their three years of teaching at OU, the research pair has spent much of their time laying the groundwork for this project, Bhargava said.

After being awarded a fellowship for Spring and Summer '98 sessions, they began working with teachers Rebecca

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New book gives students career advice

By LISA VALENTINE Staff Writer

For the average college student, life is a constant juggle of classes, work and social activities.

Many students think they have business while still in enough on their minds just trying to get through classes, without worrying about what they will be doing after graduation.

But in his new book "Don't Wait Until You Graduate: How to 'Jump-start' Your Career While Still in School," Keith Luscher states that students who just take classes in college are robbing themselves of valuable work experi-

"Don't Wait Until You Graduate" (New Horizon Press, June 1998) is about showing students how to get started on their career before they finish their degree program.

Luscher advises students on both paid and volunteer positions in many different professions, and even how to start their own small school.

He shows how volunteering for community service not only helps a students' career, but allows them to help fulfill needs in the commu-

Luscher said his advice comes from first-hand experi- have decided on a particular career ence. He didn't wait until graduation to embark on his career: two years before he graduated from Ohio State universally... like working in teams, for University with a journalism degree, he was already working as a marketing communications manager of a mid-



sized company. He stayed are pursuing." with the same company two years after graduation. Luscher, who now works

with non-profit organizations nationwide as a marketing consultant, has been speaking to students since

He has been a public for Ohio speaker AmeriCorps, Delta Chi Fraternity and Campus Compact.

Luscher said his book is not limited to people who

"People seek certain qualifications example," he said.

"Most of the key elements in the book really apply no matter what career you

He said he would encourage even freshmen to consider starting the "longterm process of building relationships" as opposed to just making contacts.

Luscher said most books about networking only deal with one side, making contacts and getting names. But he believes developing relationships is much more important.

"As you seek to serve (needs in the community), you will build relationships. When you work with someone for a common goal, a bond develops,"

"It is a difference between who you know and who knows you."

Luscher added, "If you try to treat a person as a subject that you can manipulate to get what you want, it usually backfires."

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Club to instruct student leaders

Presidents of student organizations will get helpful tips on leadership from OU's alumni.

By TONY DARNER Staff Writer

There is a new opportunity on campus for student leaders to enhance their leadership skills.

The President's Club, a new program which made its debut on Oct. 21, is designed to help the leaders of OU's Greek and student organizations.

"The series offers opportunities to share leadership experiences and ideas, vent frustrations, problem solve and collaborate on campus activities and events," said Jean Ann Miller, assistant director of the Center for Student Activities and Leadership development. Miller will be assisted in leading the series by students Andrea Zwolinski and Hillary Andrei.

At the end (of the series) in December, veteran student leaders will share their experiences with new leaders.

Two meetings for the President's Club are scheduled for Nov. 18 and Dec. 9.

Miller said that the club meeting, which runs on these dates from 3-4:30 p.m. in rooms 126-127 OC, was formed so that students could learn useful life

These include teamwork, leadership skills and communication skills, she Since OU has 90 student organizations,

numerous fraternities, sororities and an active student government, finding enough student leaders to participate should not be a problem, Miller said.

According to Miller, thousands of OU alumni are leaders in the metro Detroit

Some alumni include Dennis Pawley, executive vice president of manufacturing at the Chrysler Corporation, and Jane Abraham, former deputy political director for the Republican National Committee and wife of U.S. Senator Spencer Abraham.

Although those alumni will not be at the series, Miller said the President's Club is an example of OU's commitment to training its graduates for 21st century society and workplace.

"Applying what they have learned in and out of the classroom by leading their organizations is a valuable way for our students to gain a competitive advantage," she said.

Miller and her office staff are already looking into setting up other workshops on campus, on topics such as alcohol and drug abuse, team building, and marketing leadership experience.

PRESIDENTIAL HISTORY

Ambition, courage, strength. Those are just a few words that motivated the founding fathers of OU and are words that could still be used in describing the university today. The history and the people involved with making OU what it is today date back to 1955, when the Oakland County Planning Commission decided that an institute of higher education should be established in their county. Matilda Wilson (widow of John Dodge, one of the founders of Dodge Motor Company) and her husband Alfred generously donated \$2 million and Meadow Brook farm to Michigan State University (MSU) for the construction of the first university buildings. In 1958, MSU President John Hannah and the Wilsons broke the ground for the new university. The university was named Michigan State University-Oakland (MSU-O).

foundations for the How five OU presidents helped build a university

By TINA NEDDERMEYER

DURWARD BELMONT ("WOODY") VARNER



Photo Courtesy/Oakland University

The first leader of the new university was chancellor Dr. Durward Belmont Varner, nicknamed Woody, who was given the task of developing the new MSU-O in January 1959.

"At the time, I was also vice president at MSU," Varner said. "It was very exciting. It's not often that an individual has the opportunity to build a university from the ground up."

Joining the MSU staff in 1949, Varner became the "It was very exciting. It's not assistant professor of agriculture and economics, the director of coop- opportunity to build a university erative extension service, from the ground up." the director of continuing education, and the vice president for the off-campus education program. He became MSU's first vice president in 1955.

Born in Texas, Varner was not new to the administrative profession. His father was the superintendent of schools for 50 years in Cottonwood. Varner graduated with honors from Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College with a Bachelor degree of agricultural administration. Later, he earned a Master of Science degree from the University of Chicago.

"I don't think a Bachelor's would be sufficient enough now," Varner said. "The requirements involved in running a university are

much more demanding."

Woody Varner

Varner saw his role as chancellor of MSU-O as "maintaining a climate for the faculty to function and for learning to flourish." He focused the MSU-O curriculum on liberal arts rather than the traditional "trade-schoolism." Classes were offered in the conservative academic courses of literature, history, basic sci-

ence, and languages. Technology shunned.

Free Press article, "nothing is so critical that he would not "settle for medioc-

often that an individual has the

His thoughts on education were threefold. First was that education was too specialized; second, learning needed to be more formal; and last, a teacher's job is not only to teach, but also to help students learn.

"My main strive was hunger," Varner said. "I Meadow Brook Theatre. took a dream and made it a functioning operation."

and the following year he resigned to accept a position as chancellor at the University of

Nebraska.

"Ten years is long enough for any college president," Varner said. "(Leaving Oakland) was one of the most difficult decisions I had to

Upon Varner's resignation, 3,000 students disrupted classes demanding that he stay at OU. Students carried signs through classrooms and across campus chanting, 'We want Woody."

"I think the reputation that I was the greatest In a 1963 Detroit leader OU ever had is an exaggeration," Varner said. "I think leadership is dependent Varner stated that upon what you use to measure it."

Varner retired as president from the today as the develop- University of Nebraska in 1977, but remained ment of minds," and chair of its Foundation for 15 years. Now at the age of 81, he continues to reside in Nebraska where his favorite hobby is tending to his garden.

During his term, Varner increased student enrollment from 500 to 5,000. He also established a major performance art center that included the Meadow Brook Music Festival and the John Fernald Company of the

"I visited OU two or three years ago," Varner said. "It is obvious the university is growing In 1969, Varner's term as chancellor ended by the increase in enrollment. We have grown substantially."

Next to step into the ring was Dr. Donald O'Dowd, associate professor of psychology. O'Dowd's task was to finish what Varner started and engineer the separation of OU from

was not an established Board of Trustees. O'Dowd was acting as chancellor until OU officially became independent from MSU in 1970. O'Dowd's presidency was formalized

also in 1970, soon after the Board of Trustees was formed.

"It was a very difficult time for any president," O'Dowd said. "A student revolution was occurring around the country that was causing major turmoil. Protesting, sit-ins, and strikes were occurring."

The protesting reached a boiling point when, in 1970, a firebomb was thrown though O'Dowd's office window in the early morning. According to O'Dowd, the bomb destroyed where the president's office was formally

located.

O'Dowd became an OU faculty member in 1960. He received his Bachelor of Art degree from Dartmouth College, and Master and Ph.D. of Art from Harvard University. Since OU was still in its early stages, there O'Dowd had previously taught and held an administrative position at Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn. While in Connecticut, he taught psychology and was acting Dean of Freshmen.

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> > by negotiating authority from the Michigan State Education Department to form a doctoral program.

The first doctoral program offered was in systhe southeast corner of North Foundation Hall tem engineering. MSU, Wayne, and U-M opposed the university venturing into their

domain. The doctoral program was accepted in the early 1970s.

O'Dowd believes OU's greatest strength is its strive for academic excellence.

"As president, I was given the opportunity to be involved in a whole range of (areas) offered within the university," O'Dowd said. "I am interested in the life of the mind. I got to be a part of that academic enterprise."

After almost 20 years at OU, O'Dowd decided to move on to new tasks. His term ended in

"I had to decide if I wanted to stay at OU forever, or do something different," O'Dowd said. "I figured I did what I wanted to do. It was now time for a younger generation to have their fun."

O'Dowd, now 71, ended his term at OU to take a position as vice president of the University of New York in 1980. In 1984, he left to become president of the University of Alaska. Six years later he retired and moved to Santa Barbara, CA.

"OU has come a long way," O'Dowd said. "The first thing I notice when I visit is how big the trees have gotten. I remember planting about 2,000 of those baby trees. The growth of the trees resembles the growth of the universi-

DONALD O'DOWD



PRESIDENTIAL HISTORY

JOSEPH CHAMPAGNE

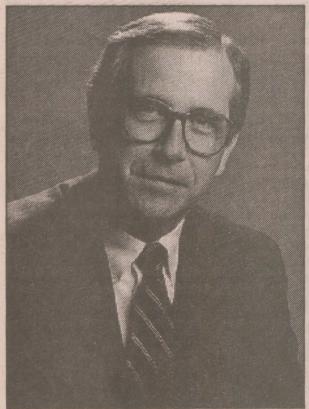


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Following O'Dowd, in 1981, Dr. Joseph Champagne stepped up to the plate.

Champagne, now 60, is a native of Connecticut but has lived and worked in South Carolina, Texas, and currently in Michigan.

His academic professional history began with his appointment as the State Director of Research for the South Carolina Technical

Education Commission. Soon after in 1967, he accepted a position at the College of Business Administration of the University of Houston,

On leave from the university, Champagne became the founding president of the Houston Community College System in 1972. Upon returning to the university in 1978, he became vice president for academic affairs of four campus state university systems.

OU's new search for a president in 1984 looked tempting to Champagne.

"I was very excited in becoming president," Champagne said. "OU has had an excellent national reputation."

Despite his excitement, the presidential search after O'Dowd left became complicated. During Champagne's review, Attorney General Frank Kelley filed suit against OU's Board of Trustees for violation of the Open Meetings Act because they interviewed candidates in closed sessions.

When Champagne finally got the position, it was time to push on. His first goal as president was to revise OU's mission statement. According to Champagne, a Committee on University Excellence was formed to determine what the university needed to do and how to formulate the new university without minimizing the drive for academic excellence. The revised mission statement is still applica-

"You need to have the ability to see the necessity of change, but keep it consistent with the growth and change of the society," Champagne said.

His second goal was to join the surrounding approximately 12,000 students.

community and the university by strengthening OU's cultural identity. One way he accomplished this was by creating the Oakland Technology Park, which has grown to become one of the largest and most successful university-related parks in the nation. The park houses numerous organizations and corporate headquarters that employ more than 15,000

"OU is often noted as being 'the model university for the 21st century," Champagne executive consultant to business, government

the necessity of change, but keep it

said. "This means that OU has "You need to have the ability to see become relevant to the surrounding area. We achieved consistent with the growth and this label without change of the society." sacrificing basic ingredients of general education. Many universities strive for this, but few succeed."

In order to help finance the university, Champagne began a system in the mid-80's that he referred to as "enrollment management." Money received from the state was to maintain the enrollment at that time. However, there would not be an increase in finances if enrollment grew, which meant that students would have to pay higher tuition when student population increased.

Champagne's strategy was to allow student enrollment to rise only to a set number. To stop the risk of a tuition hike, the "enrollment management" was to freeze enrollment at

After the newly established system was safe in its tracks in the early 1990's, Champagne decided to relocate.

"I am a creator, a visionary," Champagne said. "I am best at organizing and developing. After I saw OU moving in the direction of my mission statement, my job was done. It was then up to the new president to take OU to the next phase."

Champagne is currently a corporate and

and higher learning. He serves as chair of Board Directors for Ross Controls, a multinational corporation produces nomadic controls (regulators for air devices used with heavy machinery).

He also serves as chair of the Board of Munder Capital Management Funds, a financial management firm located in Birmingham. He is also dean of the university center of Macomb Community College.

Joseph Champagne

Champagne received an Associate of Liberal Arts degree from St. Thomas in Connecticut, a Bachelor of Philosophy from St. Mary's University in Maryland, a Master of Psychology from Fordham University in New York, and a Ph.D. in Industrial/Organized Psychology from Purdue University, Chicago.

SANDRA PACKARD



Photo Courtesy/Oakland University

Breaking the 30-year trend of male presidency, Dr. Sandra Packard became OU's first female president in June 1992.

Born in Buffalo, New York, Packard began at Bowling Green State University as the dean of the College of Education in 1981.

In 1985, she moved to the University of Texas (UTC). During her time there, she served as provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs until 1992, when OU opened another presidential

Former UTC chancellor and former OU provost Fred Obear nominated and encouraged Packard's candidacy.

Packard received her ED.D. and Ms.ED. from Indiana University, and her B.F.A. from Syracuse University, New York. All three degrees are in art education.

Some of Packard's goals as president included expanding external awareness and support of OU, strengthening the campus family, and making the commitment to students the most important priority. Packard also strove to serve a statewide mission for teaching and research excellence.

During her term, she managed to initiate an extensive strategic planning process, eliminate a deficit in the budget and win approval for the completed science and engineering build-

However, Packard faced many difficulties. During her presidency, she was plagued by disagreements with her management style. Packard lost support from the Board of Trustees, and some board members questioned her leadership.

Under pressure, Packard resigned from presidency in 1995 to take a position as a senior fellow with the American Association of State Colleges and Universities in Washington, D.C. Through negotiations, she was given a paid professional development leave by the board and returned to OU as a professor of education.

Packard declined an interview about her presidency.

Upon Packard's resignation, Vice President of Academic Affairs (VPAA) Dr. Gary Russi was appointed interim president in January 1995. In this position, Russi was acting as both president and VPAA. The Board of Trustees appointed Russi president in June

"I was, and remain, very excited about OU," Russi, 51, said. "The university is home to a vibrant student body, a worldclass faculty, and a near-and-far term future of untold potential. It is a great time to be at Oakland."

During his presidency, Russi assembled the Creating the Future committee. According to Russi, the best and brightest business, civic leaders and opinion makers will work together to help chart the growth of the university. Many of the recommendations are being reviewed by the Board of Trustees and may be implemented over the upcoming

Some achievements Russi proudly claims include the establishment of the new Honors College building, the Recreation and Athletic Center, and the addition of more that 20 new academic programs.

"We are all working to make this the best university we possibly can," he said. "The involvement by everyone associated with OU further confirms my belief that we are, and will continue to be, the model university for the 21st century."

continue to

our financial needs."

Russi believes some "Our challenge now is to of OU's strength results from value, including affordability Lansing and to make sure when tuition cost is they remain sensitive to measured against academic quality, the placement rates, the partnerships with businesses, industry and the public sector, and the talented facul-

"There isn't one faculty member here who isn't self-motivated by professional pride and their strong commitment to deliver a quality educational experience to every student," Russi said.

GARY RUSSI



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When it comes to financing the university and its expectations for growth, Russi said that the increase in governmental relation efforts have substantially increased OU's

popularity in Lansing. "Our challenge now is to impress continue to impress Lansing and to make sure they remain sensitive to our financial needs," Russi said.

Russi graduated from Southwestern Oklahoma State Gary Russi University with a Bachelor of Science in pharmacy. He received a Ph.D. from the University of Kansas.

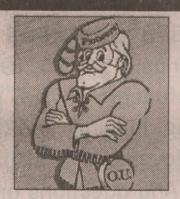
"I have always wanted to be on the front lines of the educational process," Russi said. 'It's been an exceedingly rewarding career so far, the highlight of which has been my time at Oakland."

INTERESTING HISTORICAL FACTS ABOUT OU

- MSU-O had no sororities or fraternities.
- * There was no intercollegiate athletic program.
- * The first year academic center was based on the trimester system-it enabled students to graduate in three years.
- The first buildings were built with minimal glass to preserve heat.
- In the first year of the university, one grade in six was an F. Almost half of the freshman class failed chemistry, calculus and economics, and 300 of the total 570 students dropped out.
- OU has been variously described as a school for the intellectual elite.
- In 1963, MSU-O was formally changed to OU (there was some debate over the
- Matrida Wilson presented diamond rings to members of the first graduating class for their efforts and success. Sometimes OU is referred to as "the diamond in the rough" as a result.
- OU became independent of MSU in 1970:

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Baseball team hits home run in community mentoring program

By JILL HOLTHUS Special Writer

OU's baseball team is giving back to the community.

On Oct. 10, OU's baseball team hosted a clinic for approximately 25 boys, ages 12-16, from Camp Oakland, on OU's campus.

Camp Oakland is a residential facility for children who have been removed from their homes because of stressful sit-

The boys were each paired up with a member of the team for a one hour clinic on how to play baseball.

"We like to plant the idea in their (the athlete's) head that if they have something to give, they should," said head coach Greg Porter.

gifted athletically, or as fortunate as they are to have supportive homes and good par-

at bat, the boys stayed to excited to be mentors for the

watch the team play against day.

Gary Larson, OU baseball alumnus majoring in human resource development, helped to organize the clinic.

Larson works with the Oakland County Juvenile Court, supervising youth community service.

"There's a terrible need for contact. these kids to have these male role models in their life," he

The only male authority figures in these young boys lives right now appear as a threat to social workers.

"If you can neutralize that that we have," said Helms. threat by getting an older person, more like a peer, it's very crucial," said Larson.

The boys, not that far from He added, "There's a lot of college age, learned more from kids out there who aren't as the team than pitching techniques. You don't always have to get in trouble to have fun. Many of them, reluctant at first, eventually dropped After taking a few grounders their guard once they began to campus organizations. and flyballs and practices up see the team members were

For some team members being a significant role model

will extend beyond the clinic. When the day was over many team members were asking how they could keep in touch with the boy they were matched up with. Ryan Helms pitcher, plans to keep in

"It was good that we got to interact with them, talk to them, hangout. A good experience that opened the eyes of players on the team. We realized the opportunities we them, such as counselors or have. Those kids probably won't have the opportunities

> Team members gave each boy an OU water bottle. In return the boys from Camp Oakland presented Certificate of Appreciation for their time and effort.

> The team will host another clinic in the spring. Larson also said he is planning activities for the boys with other

Grizzlies bounce back, spike UMKC

By LISA BORICH Sports Editor

Once again, the Golden Grizzlies fought twice as hard this weekend (Oct. 16 &17) with two back-to-back home games, one against Oral Roberts and one against University of Missouri- Kansas City (UMKC).

On Oct. 16, the women lost against the Golden Eagles 0-3 (3-15, 2-15, 3-15), dropping OU's record to 4-13.

"We played fairly well," said head coach Dan Schulte, "Oral Roberts plays at a different level, they're really experienced because they play at the against UMKC. highest level."

Freshman Shyann Robinson, outside hitter, once again helped OU with four kills and 15 total attempts.

Along with Robinson, senior and middle-blocker, Jennifer Nagel had three kills and 13 total attempts. Both Robinson and Nagel

also led OU with four digs each. "We are playing without

Renee Williams, senior and captain, which was costly to the team," said Schulte.

Fortunately, QU bounced situations." back the next day in a match

The Grizzlies led OU to a victory, beating the Kangaroos 3-0 (15-7, 15-8, 16-14).

Schulte said, "We came from behind in each match."

Freshman Caty Rommeck led OU with 16 kills and 32 total attempts along with Robinson, with eight kills and 32 total attempts.

Again, Nagel dominated OU with digs, making 13 throughout the match.

"We didn't quit," Schulte said. "They worked really hard and took advantaged of

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SPB has planned a trip to Schuss Mountain/Shanty Creek January 22-24, 1999 for OU students. Cost is \$125 for OU students & \$185 per guest. Price includes transportation, skiing, lodging, and three meals. Sign-up starts on Wednesday, November 4, at the CSA Service Window; space is limited. Any questions or concerns, please call 248-370-4295.

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addressing the environmental problems adequately, in which the extra \$175 million will be used for.

"After the amendment of water quality, we did choose to support (Proposal C), but we had to fight tooth and nail with the government," Bennett said.

Michigan Lana Pollock, Environmental Council President, said, "We had to lobby for pollution prevention ... prevention of children from lead and water quality."

"After the amendments were passed, this tipped the scales for us," Pollock added.

Groups such as the Clinton River Watershed Council have observed the results of other states and look forward to Proposal C passing.

"Local states Ohio, Illinois and Wisconsin have passed similar proposals, some running for almost 10 years now. It has made a world of difference to their environments," said Jeanna Paluzzi, Watershed spokesperson.

Ohio used a system of selling

special license plates to supplement the Lake Erie clean-up, while Illinois and Wisconsin used proposals similar to Proposal C.

However, Pollock believes that, ideally, about \$170 million should be spent on contaminated sites with significant or imminent health risks instead of the proposed \$60 million.

Many environmentalists also believe that the polluters should pay for the damage done, not taxpayers.

"We figure that there is not enough political will or leadership to ask the polluters to do their fair share, but this will have to do," Pollack said.

Gubernatorial candidate Geoffrey Fieger does not support Proposal C.

"He is an advocate for cleaning up the environment. However, he feels that the polluters should pay. He feels the proposal is not strong enough because the taxpayers will have to pay," said June West, Fieger spokesperson.

Ultimately, it is Michigan citizens who will have the final say on Proposal C when they go to the polls on November 3.

Polls are open between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on election day.

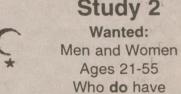
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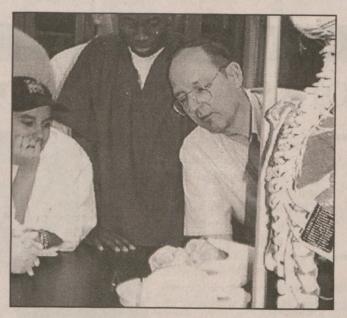
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BODY SHOP: For fear of scaring queasy readers, Dr. Edward G. Tracy, center, opts to work with a model of the human body in front of his class. Normally, Tracy, and his Neuroanatomy class dissect cadavers to learn about the brain and nervous system.

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Neuroanatomy students work close with cadavers to learn about the human body

BRAIN DRAIN: Dr. Tracy and students examine brain actual with the body's eyes and brain stem still in tact.



By MIKE MURPHY Web Editor

f Halloween night becomes a "Night of the Living Dead," with hungry zombies rising to wreak havoc, students in the Science and Engineering Building will be in big trouble.

Why?

Because they work on dead bodies down there. On Saturday afternoons this semester, about 60 neuroanatomy students receive a "hands-on" lesson from more than just their professor.

"The class is taught by myself and a bunch of cadavers," said Dr. Edward G. Tracy, an Associate Professor of Biology at Wayne State University. "I call them the 'silent instructors."

"They're silent because they don't say much, but they teach more than I do," he added. "They give their all."

The class, BIO 460, is neuroanatomy, a class teaching the inner workings of the brain and nervous system.

Students dissect cadavers in the lab to see a real-life model of the muscles, nerves and other parts of the body they learn about in lecture.

According to Tracy, who teaches courses in human anatomy at WSU during the week and OU on the weekends, the lab is essential to the

"Dissection is by far the best way to learn this material," Tracy said. "If you're learning human anatomy, why not use a human?"

The lab itself is stocked with six cadavers. Groups of five or six students are assigned to a cadaver, which they work on all semester, dissecting at their own pace.

Interestingly enough, the students don't seem to mind too much that they're working on deceased humans.

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Facts

Who: Haunted House When: Oct. 30, 8 p.m. - 1 a.m. Where: Fitzgerald House dormitory

Tickets: \$3 students \$4 general public

resource development, House Council Treasurer. Event price is \$4 for OU students with proper ID and \$5 for non-OU students.

There is no age limit, but haunted house-goers should use their discretion with bringing young Krystal Kaltz



Halloween just isn't what it used to be

It's that time of year again.

Everyone has those big pumpkinshaped leaf bags in their yards, and there seem to be ghosts floating around everywhere.

Halloween has always been my favorite holiday. It comes during the fall, which is my favorite time of year, and it involves scary things, which I

But it just seems like I don't get as big a kick out of it as I did when I was

It used to be all about getting dressed up for an all-around fun day at school, and then trick-or-treating with my mom at night.

I can still remember each and every one of those hand-sewn costumes my mother toiled on every year. (It was never a sweaty plastic face mask for

I would become a ballerina, a pumpkin, a ladybug or some other cute critter, and I would be taken only to the houses of people we knew.

Halloween time was more than trickor-treating to my family. It was also a time for visiting people we knew, but having a great excuse so we didn't have to stay very long.

Most importantly, it was a lot of fun, from the planning of the costume to the entire event.

But every year, it gets a little less exciting.

I had to stop trick-or-treating, because I was too old at around age 13. In eighth grade, I went out with two of my friends on Halloween, and many people refused to give us candy.

It was comparable to the time when I asked my mom if there really was an Easter Bunny, knowing that there probably wasn't. I was growing up, and I finally had to face it.

So what do you do when you're too old to beg for candy, but too young to stay at home and not feel like you're missing something?

There are plenty of haunted houses and hayrides around, but even though they claim to be so scary, they're all pretty much geared toward children.

If you can find a good costume party or masquerade ball to go to, that's always a fun option, provided you're into getting dressed up.

But overall, the season's just not as colorful as it used to be.

It's actually kind of a letdown. I still get all excited for Halloween, and then I end up doing nothing.

It reminds me of when, in first grade, I dressed up as my favorite author, Laura Ingalls Wilder.

I felt so cool going to school in my calico dress, braids and sunbonnet. But when I got there, no one knew who I was supposed to be.

I ended up wearing one of those "Hello, my name is..." stickers on my dress, but it just wasn't the same.

I suspect that if I have children, the holiday will take on the special meaning it had for me when I was a child.

I will be able to experience it vicariously through my kids.

But, for now, I guess I'll just have to think up some new fun and exciting

ways to spend Oct. 31st. Maybe I can go and visit all the people who used to give me candy when I was small.

Maybe I'll even get dressed up. Hey! I might even get some candy. Then again, maybe I'll just stay home and do some homework.

Senior Krystal Kaltz is a journalism and Spanish major and Assistant Campus Life Editor for THE OAKLAND POST.

Fitz house set to haunt Devil's Night

By RENEE BURRIS Special Writer

Fitzgerald is ready for a night of terror.

The Fitzgerald House, located between Beer Lake and Anibal House, is having its traditional haunted house 8 p.m.-1 a.m., on Devil's Night, Oct. 30.

"One of my favorite parts was the tunnel last year," said Janel Davis, Fitzgerald House Council's as close friends. vice president.

throughout the levels of the house, like scenes from "Friday the 13th," "Scream," and "Halloween."

the way also. However, most of the action takes place in the

pitch-black hallways.

going to take place inside the house. But, watch out for the traditional pig head along the extravaganza.

The Fitz haunted house has been a tradition at OU for several years. An estimated 50-75 volunteers will be lingering in

the halls of the house to help create a spooky atmos-These volunteers are residents of the house, as well

Ryan Adams, Fitz hall director, a graduate student There will be a variety of movie themes acted out in physical therapy, hopes to see a better turn out than last year.

"Last year it was on a rainy Halloween night and Some dorm rooms will be creatively set up along everyone was going trick or treating," Adams said. Volunteers of the houses also hope to bring in more money than last year.

"Perhaps it being on Devil's night might add to the Most volunteers are hush about what's actually spookiness," said junior Danielle Storrs, human

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- Cosi Fan Tutte (Beware of Women)," 8 p.m. tonight; 10 a.m. Thursday; 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday; & p.m. Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday, Varner Recital Hall. Call (248) 370-

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- "See the Sea," 7 and 9:30 p.m. Friday; 4, 7 and 9:30 p.m. Saturday; 4 and 7 p.m. Sunday, Detroit Film Theatre. Call (313) 833-2323.
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EXHIBITS

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MISCELLANEOUS

 Woodstock's Mikhail Horowitz & Gilles Malkine, and Three Guys from Albany, 12:30 p.m. Tonight, Wayne State University. Call (313)577-2450.

Love, arias, and infidelity



CHEATING HEARTS: From left, music, theatre and dance students Amy Smith (Fiordiligi), Tobey Miller (Guglielmo) and William D. Petty III (Ferrando) star in MTD's production of "Cosi Fan Tutte," or Beware of Women.

Mozart's 'Cosi Fan Tutte,' or Beware of Women, opens tonight in Varner Recital Hall

By JILL HOLTHUS Special Writer

Cheating on your mate can be a hot topic even for late 18th century opera. The department of music, theatre and dance at OU begins its schedule of

or Beware of Women, an opera by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. "Cosi" opens at 8 p.m. tonight in the Varner Recital Hall, closing Nov. 1 with

events this year with "Cosi Fan Tutte,"

a 2 p.m. matinee. Set in the late 19th century, "Cosi" raises the question: Should a man ever bet on a woman's fidelity? A cynical old man bets two younger engaged men that their fiancees will not remain faith-

fidelity of the women is tested through- mance senior, who plays Despina. out the opera.

"Cosi" will be performed like most traditional productions of this work, except, it will be entirely in English and the dialogue will be spoken, not sung.

Director Michael Gillespie feels the opera will be appealing for all students and opera buffs alike.

"(OU) has a flourishing music and the-

atre program," Gillespie said. "We have senior. some really striking singers."

According to Gillespie, the vocal ensembles of duets and trios throughout the opera are really a great display of the talent and hard work of the students in OU's vocal music program.

"Most of them are pursuing professional careers as singers. We have some really, really marvelous voices," Gillespie said.

bringing out their best.

"The best thing about the production was realizing the different level of artistic communication through my character, and with the help of the director's ability to allow me to realize the charac-Through a comedic approach, the Celaya-Montgomery, vocal perfor-

> In addition to the voices, the opera also boasts marvelous costumes.

The dress is done in period costume, late 19th century. Clothing and wigs are all being styled and designed by stu-

"It's a lot of fun. There's been a lot of help all around," said costume designer office at (248) 370-3013. Emily Pepper, theatre production

According to Pepper, she and other designers put a lot of research into costumes, including viewing films with similar costuming.

The ensemble cast of six includes Caitlin Burke of Farmington Hills and Amy Smith of Royal Oak sharing the role of the soprano heroine Fiordiligi.

The other heroine role, Dorabella, is shared by mezzo sopranos Lisa Agazzi For some cast members, the opera is of Sterling Heights and Corbett Liebler

> Despina is dual cast by sopranos Gretchen Busam of St. Clair Shores and Celaya-Montgomery Bloomfield.

The heroes are tenor William D. Petty ter through who I am," said Cassia III of Clinton Township as Ferrando and baritone Tobey Miller of Clinton Township as Guglielmo.

Graduate student Frank E. Pitts of Rochester Hills, who previously performed with the Michigan Opera Theatre, is Don Alfonso, the old man who causes the younger men to question their fiancees' fidelity.

For ticket information, call the box

Radio rocks on despite OC work

By JACOB ELLIS Special Writer

Behind a makeshift dry wall, shielded from construction consuming the lower level of the OC, lies the stifled sounds of music and talk at WXOU 88.3 FM.

The migration of the lower level, due to remodeling, has left the station in a proverbial hard place.

"Besides choking on dust, it gets pretty loud," quips Dave Gullo, one half of the "Steve and Dave Morning Show," on WXOU.

Currently, the station is confined to small offices next to the Center for Student Activities.

WXOU broadcasts to radio listeners at OU and the surrounding Auburn Hills community.

With a mere 15 watts of energy output, the station doesn't have the capacity to draw a larger audience. The fully student-operated organiza-

tion offers a diverse programming schedule reflective of the personalities that make it work.

Including, music variety with caffeine delirium, weekdays, 7-9 a.m.

That's the self-described music forum of the "Steve and Dave Morning Show,"

Steve Roginson, communications junior, first hit the airwaves in September of 1996. Since then, he has managed to carve out a niche for himself and free-form morning partner Gullo, an environmental studies student at Oakland Community College.

For them, the clamorous construction work is like a chronic pain.

Mixing eclectic music selections with irreverent humor is their best medicine for construction headaches, the duo

"Construction has to be done in the name of progress," Roginson says, opti-

Those at the station hope they'll soon see a reinvention.

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

'Miracle Worker' works miracles on stage

By BRIAN REINDEL Staff Writer

Annie Sullivan furiously pumps the water into Helen Keller's hands. With each splash, she insists on repeating through a touch-alphabet the word,

A small puddle is beginning to form in the middle of the stage.

Frustrated patrons, along with a soaked Annie, ask themselves when Helen will get it? When will the deaf and blind child come to understand the names of those things that surround her daily?

Then, when hope seems all but gone, a climax ensues, and Helen comes to her enlightenment, fumbling out the utterance "wa-wa," meaning water.

The action dies, and through the distinct sounds of a few crying audience members, the play, "The Miracle Worker," comes to a finale.

A standing ovation, and a few "bravos" from the audience followed Saturday's opening night performance at Meadow Brook Theatre. It runs through Nov.

"The Miracle Worker," was written by William Gibson, and originally ran 90 weeks on Broadway, winning four Tony awards, including "Best Play."

The performance captures the true-life story of Helen Keller, a girl who, after an acute sickness at a young age, is rendered deaf and blind.

Helen was born in a time when children like her were frequently institutionalized. But her parents took a last chance with teacher Annie Sullivan, a lady whom before surgery was also blind, and who came from a Boston institution that housed society's unfit.

"The Miracle Worker" Phenomenal theatre

> 0000 out of four points

New York-based actress Lauren Dowden plays the tenacious, outspoken Irish woman named Annie.

Dowden captured Annie's humorous eccentricities (and an Irish accent) with perfect ease. During the brief serious interludes, she also portrayed realistic frustrations of an inexperi-

tempered child. Stacie Guerreso of Farmington Hills acts out the role of Helen.

enced teacher, dealing with a violently wild and ill-

Guerreso seemed to possess Helen's body, and she was immediately transformed into the once untaught and ferocious child. It was easy for theatre-goers to feel Helen's pain, when Guerreso successfully illustrated intense outbursts against any efforts by Annie

"The Miracle Worker" also contains comedic undertones that help to lighten the serious subject of the lost, little girl in a world full of sights and sounds.

Helen's father, Captain Keller (Peter Aylward), and her half-brother, James (Adam Rochkind), are constantly at each other's throats. The unique creativeness of these two actors harbors some great comedic scenes that do not go without due notice.

Last, but nowhere near least, is Helen's mother

(Chris Voudaukis).

Throughout the play, Voudaukis exemplifies a mother who is desperate to have a normal child. She helps the audience to understand Helen's mother as a loving soul, sometimes resilient to Annie's bold methods of



TOUGH LOVE: From left, Lauren Dowden (Annie Sullivan) and Stacie Guerreso (Helen Keller) star in Meadow Brook Theatre's "The Miracle Worker."

The costume design, scenery and ambience generously compliment the play, and make it well worth two hours out of a person's day.

Tickets are available at Meadow Brook Box Office and all Ticketmaster outlets. Call (248) 377-3300 for more information.

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Corpse

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"We kinda ease into it," said Tracy. "We start off with bones and models and acclimate them to the smell of the lab. There's a unique fragrance to the bodies, from the formaldehyde preservative. Once the students get used to it, it's okay. We've had a few people faint on us, but not too

Amy Sanderson, a senior in her first year of the program, said, "They try to make it easy on us."

"They keep the face covered at

all times — that really helps." "We give the bodies pseudonames, so we can think of them as something else," she added. "We try and make it seem more like a model we're studying than an actual person."

Using a real human, Tracy said, helps students see in real life what they've only seen before in

"We try to bring the course material to life, which is difficult to do with a dead subject," Tracy quipped.

Attempts are also made to keep the class light, while still respecting the people who gave their bodies to the class.

"We try to stay professional," said senior Eric Tomei. "As respectful as you can be cutting up somebody's dead body, that's

what we are (doing)."

place to be somber like a morgue, but (we) respect the cadavers." "It was the last wish of people that their body be used for a worthy educational experience. We represent that experience," he

from donations by medical schools, who receive bodies of people that donated their bodies to science or whose bodies went unclaimed by a friend or relative. And according to Dr. Tracy, there's never any shortage of

"There's usually a surplus," he said. "People are dying to get into the program. Which is good — it means we don't have to go out and dig up anything."

Previously, OU students taking an anatomy lab had to travel to another university. But the completion of the SEB brought the corpses home to OU.

Those of you who are picking through the schedule of classes already dreaming of dissecting a corpse, take note: The course isn't for everyone — it's only open to Physical Therapy students and advanced Biology majors.

And, once they're done with the course (and the corpses), Tracy said the students should be much farther down the road to becoming a skilled physical therapists.

"It's a foundational course that Tracy said, "We don't want the builds basis for structure and terminology," he said. "It gives a visual sense of what is under every square inch of the skin so then they have a feel of what the muscles really are like."

"This is for sure great practice for the physical therapists," The bodies themselves come Tracy said. "Our patients never complain."

Neither do the students — too

"It's a tough class, but Dr. Tracy is fair with us," said Tomei.

Dr. Tracy agrees. "Oh, it's a stiff course," he joked. "I tell my students that if they fail the course, they'll come back next year as a cadaver."

Death threats aside, Tracy also has a lot of respect for his stu-

"We make them work hard," he said. "The students are tested to hilt, but it's a great program, one of the best in the country. OU can be proud of that."

In the basement of the SEB; future physical therapists and a few future biologists spend their Saturday afternoons learning from corpses and hoping that they pass - or else they may become "silent instructors" themselves.

This kind of motivation, Tracy said, turns out the best students.

"If a student here at OU wants to really have a brain, or get ahead in their studies, they should take my class," he said.

WXOU

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A new three-part studio is in the works, and should be complete along with the rest of the OC lower level in about six

The new station will be located in the old cafeteria area, and the studios can be sequenced together.

It will feature an on-air studio and a production studio with recording equipment included.

A performance studio will also be included, with the ability to accommodate a four-piece or tion. ensemble band.

Other significant additions is a news/talk show airing include, a large lobby area, an extensive music library and an engineering room.

WXOU faculty advisor Tom Discenna is enthusiastic about the outlook of the station.

"It's taken a couple of years for people to realize we have the station here, because of false starts and such. This semester we are offering much more news and information to our audience," he said.

In cooperation with Pacifica News Network, WXOU programming director Matt McLean offer three programs devoted to news and informa-

Pacifica's "Democracy Now"

weekdays 9-10 a.m.

Weekdays, the local news is also broadcast the first half of the hour at 4 p.m., followed by Pacifica network news the sec-q ond half of the hour.

A WXOU fall program guide should be available at OU and its surrounding community by the end of October.

As for the future, Discenna hopes for further growth and evolution at WXOU.

"I hope for us to continue to expand and diversify - offering more. Everything in radio is narrowing. I'd like to see us continue to move in the opposite direction," he said.

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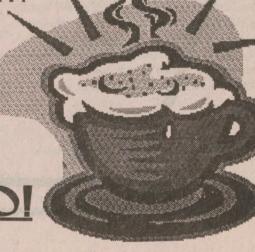
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future voters is another goal of the

"A lot of people think voting is something old people just do," Howarth claims.

The league works with community leaders to help to organize campaign stops in schools, as well as mock elections to get students of all ages used to the voting process.

Traditionally, turnout for those eligible voters between the ages of 18 and 26 has been lower than any other age group.

Howarth says this may be because of many reasons.

"(Young voters) are just not up on the issues, especially since they don't pay taxes," she said.

"They are busy trying to figure out who they are and establish themselves," she continued.

Others in the field of politics seem to agree. OU Political Science Professor Sheldon Appleton said, "Cynicism about politics and negative advertising contribute a good deal to the reasons why (young voters) don't vote as

"They have this feeling that they can't do anything," he added.

With the technological revolution upon us, most in the political field seem to agree that getting voting information is easier now than it used to be.

The Internet has recently become an important medium for transferring voting information to citizens. It holds a vast amount of information about local, state and national elections.

Howarth claims that newspapers are also becoming a better form of communicating voter information.

But Howarth stresses that it is ultimately the citizens who need to become aware and help spread voter awareness by becoming personally involved.

involved citizens," she said.

Others, like OU Political Science associate professor Michelle Piskulich, believe the solution also lies with the voting system.

"In other countries, election days are considered holidays," she said.

Piskulich says voter turnout in those countries with election holidays can be up to 90 percent.

Appleton claims that a system with less offices to vote for and voting less often, such as the Canadian system, would bring a higher voter turnout.

But regardless of what methods are used to raise the voter turnout, there "To be an informed citizen, we must be will always be a job for groups like LWV

to do... Encouraging the public to get out and vote.

"There really are few excuses for people to not get out and vote, " said

Appleton shares the same sentiment.

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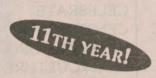
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its small staff.

"The decision that I came up with was to internalize most of our projects," he said. "In other words, instead of contracting outside companies to do some of our projects, they will be done internally in the

Andrews said this anticipated increased workload for Congress members is what prompted his request for the raise in their hourly pay rate from \$6 to \$7.

He believes this pay increase will help hold the members more accountable to performing the duties of their jobs, adding, "At least they're (now) making a reasonable wage."

He also said some of the scholarship funds, that Congress executive board members once received as part of their stipend, will be given to non-paid Congress volunteers as rewards.

Jean Ann Miller, assistant director of the Center for Student Activities and Leadership Development and advisor to Congress, said these budget problems, while unfortunate, provide an opportunity for Congress members to work together to accomplish objectives as a team.

"Everything is a learning process," she

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SPORTS

Grizzlies get a voice

Cross country season closes

By KELLI PETROVE **Assistant Sports Editor**

Sunny weather closed out the cross country season on Saturday.

The men placed 16th out of 29 competing teams in the record breaking race. A runner from Taylor University set a new course record and kept the pace a fast one for the 268 competitors. Leading the Grizzlies was freshman

runner Brian Phillips with a 83rd place finish and time of 27:37. Bill Monnett was close on his tail in

89th place; 27:43. Senior runner Scott Turner, 28:47; and freshman runner Kevin Donovan, 29:02 placed in the

middle of the pack. OU's women placed in the top half of their competition coming in 12th place out of 26 teams.

The women's race was also a record breaker with a runner from McKendree College showcasing a time of 17:41, almost a full minute ahead of the second place finisher.

Lead runner for the women was freshman Jennifer Kunst in 15th place with a time of 19:25. Kunst led OU's women for the past two meets, but doesn't dwell on that.

"I really don't think about competing with them (the OU women)," Kunst said. "I just run with them."

Seconds behind Kunst's finish was freshman Betsy Speer in 17th place and a time of 19:34.

"Jennifer did the most training over the summer and that really paid off in the past couple weeks," head coach Paul Rice said.

The Mid-West Classic closed out this years season for the runners. However, individual training is continuous throughout the year.

"I hope to run next year," Kunst said. "That is my plan."

By LISA BORICH Sports Editor

OU is rolling along building up piece by piece to a Division I status.

The newest addition....OU's fight

"We wanted something that sounded really cool and that gave an anthemic (sic) feel," said Geoffrey Upward, director of communications and marketing,

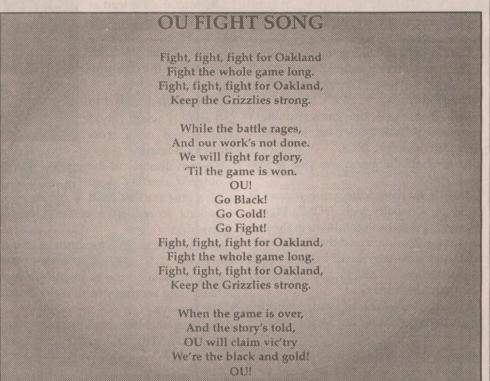
Back in September, Upward asked the music faculty if they could compose a fight song for the new Division I Golden Grizzlies.

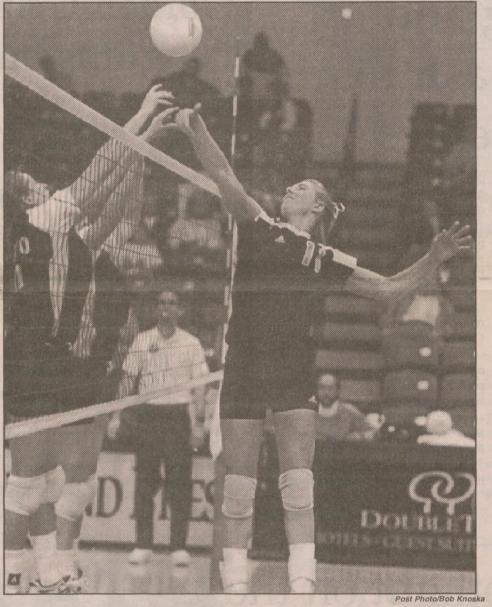
"The next day there was a fight song on my voice mail," said Upward.

Michael Mitchell, creator, has been a music professor here at OU for two

"I came up with the idea during the summer, and then one day sat down for

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BOUNCING BACK: Sophomore, setter, Andrea Cothren fights to help OU stay alive in the week of matches the Grizzlies faced.

Volleyball salvages week with

win

By LISA BORICH Sports Editor

The Golden Grizzlies fought to stay alive this week when they faced off against EMU, IUPUI (Indianapolis University of Purdue University of Indiana), and Valparaiso.

Wednesday, OU faced the Eagles on EMU's territory.

Freshman Shyann Robinson led the charge for the Grizzlies with 17 kills and 31 total attempts, along with Freshman Tess Pierce with nine kills and 19 total attempts.

Robinson also led the Grizzlies with 15

digs.

"The pool was

right on depth

design.

deal at all."

This

Pete Hovland

Head Swim Coach

Head coach Dan Schulte said, "We weren't satisfied with the calls, it was a big metal let down because we were so frustrated."

Unfortunately, the Grizzlies lost all three close matches (12-15, 13-15, 11-15). Friday, OU matched up against IUPUI again and had the same outcome.

The Grizzlies could not dig deep

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Pool rumors proven false



Post Photo/ Jenn Madiarev

SPLASHING AROUND: Final renovations have been made. Rumors have been dispelled. Competition will begin this weekend.

By KELLI PETROVE Assistant Sports Editor

pool in the rec center was dug to shallow for competition and had to be ground down to create depth.

Rumors said that the pool had to be ground down by a few inches to increase the depth so that competition would be legal for from the original high school and university swimmers.

However, the truth wasn't a major of the matter is in contrast with the rumor. Actually, the pool was deep enough for

competition.

"The pool was right on depth from the original design," said men's swim coach Pete Hovland.

However, there still was a slight problem, regardless of the rumor being false. Corners of the pool had to be ground down to create enough room for the bulk heads.

Bulk heads are high tech moveable walls that can transform the pool into either one large pool or different sec-

"There was too much concrete in one

area," Hovland said. "The bulk heads didn't fit flush with the sides."

The area was easily ground out remov-There was initial speculation that the ing mere fractions of an inch of concrete. Grinding out the corners assured that no algae or mold could grow into the corners due to uneven fitting.

"This wasn't a major deal at all," Hovland said.

Rumors were that the error could cost OU thousands of dollars added to the already large amount of money spent on the new rec center. In actuality there were no

additional costs to repair the pool. The griding work was worked into the original contract.

"This kind of thing happens often, it's not an

unusual mistake," Hovland said. The repairs did not turn out to be time consuming, and grinding the sides

down took less than an hour of the contractors time, Hovland said The swim team has been practicing in the pool in anticipation for the upcom-

ing schedule. Competition, which is scheduled to start this weekend, was never threat-

Mike Murphy



A night at the ticket window; a sleep-out experience

On the night of Oct. 18, 1998, dozens of rabid sports fans slept outside the rec center in near-freezing temperatures. They were there for tickets to the OU vs. MSU basketball game going on sale at 9

They were Pioneers. They were Grizzlies. They were crazed morons.

This is the story of one moron. 11 p.m. -- I put on several layers of clothes and carried my sleeping gear over to the Rec. As I near the ticket window, I hear music, and see a bunch people hanging out, like at a bonfire. There are sleeping bags strewn everywhere. Most everyone is huddled around two TV sets lying on the concrete outside. One has a VCR, the other a Playstation. I set my stuff down underneath the mighty "3 South Hamlin" flag, where the guys from my floor and I sleep tonight. I am warm. I am surrounded by friends. I am happy.

1 a.m. -- More people are showing up. Someone brought a couch, other people are pitching a tent. My friends and I talk about the game. We ask: what if OU beats MSU? "I'm going to the game with no shirt on already," one of my friends says. "If we win, I'll strip down to nothing and take the rim home with

He sounds serious.

3 a.m -- Some girls bring us hot chocolate. They are angels, delivering heat in the bitter cold. I am sleepy. I think I remember asking one of the girls to marry me. I think she said "no." I hope so. I don't think I'm ready for that kind of commitment yet.

4:50 a.m. -- I'm just about asleep when I hear a cry from the person to my left. A can of Coke has spilled all over our area, dousing everything in brown stickiness. I consider scrapping the mission entirely ... then I have a change of heart. The A-Team never quit because of a beverage, so why should we? In the cold, in the dark, covered in coke, we carry on.

6 a.m. -- Someone's yelling for everyone to wake up, over and over again, this person yells. None of my friends and I are awake enough to figure out who's yelling to wake us up, but we've all since agreed: when we find this guy, he's a dead man.

Just a warning, whoever you are.

8 a.m. -- I wake up to the soothing sounds of Puff Daddy. I am cold. I am tired. I am still alive. One hour... 8:30 a.m. -- The line forms, the tension

mounts. We are cold, we are covered in Coke, we are happy.

9:00 a.m. -- The first tickets are handed out to three guys who have been outside since two in the afternoon. We think one of those guys was the one who shouted for all of us to wake up. So, I admire their tenacity - and it would be a shame to see one of them dead.

I think we're serious.

9:25 a.m. -- The wait is over. I pay four bucks with a shaky, cold hand and take two tickets. OU. MSU. November 17. I feel warmer already.

Tickets were available until noon that day. We didn't have to sleep there to get tickets. But I was glad I did this. Because, in the line, in the cold, in a puddle of coke, I realized I was part of something we haven't seen much, but will see again in force on November 17.

School spirit. At OU.

And I'd sleep outside again for that.

Junior Mike Murphy is a journalism student and Web Editor for THE OAKLAND **POST**



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- The men defeated Western Illinois 2-1 on Oct. 25.
- The women defeated Youngstown State 4-0 on Oct. 21.
- The men lost to Detroit 2-1 on Oct.

VOLLEYBALL

- The women lost to Eastern Michigan University on Oct. 21.
- The women lost to IUPUI on Oct.
- The women defeated Valparaiso on Oct. 24.

GOLF

• The men placed 10th at the Wright State/Dayton Fall Invitational on Sunday.

CROSS COUNTRY

- The women placed 12th at the Great Mid-West Classic on Saturday.
- The men placed 16th at the Great Mid-West Classic on Saturday.

SPORTS

FRIDAY

- The women's volleyball team at Western Illinois at 7 p.m.
- The women's soccer team at Western Illinois at 3 p.m.
- The men's swimming and diving team hosts The Golden Grizzly Quadrangular at 7 p.m.

SATURDAY

• The women's volleyball team at Chicago State at 4 p.m.

SUNDAY

- The men's soccer team at Oral Roberts at 2 p.m.
- The women's soccer team at Illinois at 1 p.m.

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OU soccer golden in conference

By ZVONKO BLAZESKI Staff Writer

The OU men's soccer team lost to the University of Detroit Mercy but

bounced back to defeat conference opponent Western Illinois. The Golden Grizzlies' record UDM

is currently 10-4 and the Grizzlies are ranked 6th in the

WIU They are ranked 53rd in the OU lost to the UDM last Wednesday, 2-

UDM improved its record to 3-9-1 with

the victory over the Grizzlies The Golden Grizzlies scored first when Paul Snape scored at 16:17 to give OU an early 1-0 lead. The assist went to

Mike Dodd. The Titans tied the game up on a Jonathan Schack goal from Josh Back

and Dan Savich at 27:24. At the half the game was tied at one goal apiece.

The Titans scored the game winner at 71:59 on a penalty kick. UDM's Marcel Flemming was brought down in the box by Mario Piacentini and the Titans were awarded a penalty kick. Jorge Ferreira converted the penalty kick to give UDM the permanent lead.

Coach Gary Parsons said, "We outplayed them (UDM), but we made some key mistakes.'

Goalkeeper Mike Skolnik had three

saves for the Grizzlies. On Sunday the Golden Grizzlies continued to be golden against its Mid-Continent Conference

opponents by defeating Western Illinois, 2-1: The Grizzlies are a perfect 5-0 against the Mid-Continent Conference

OU took the 1-0 lead at 14:32. OU was credited with the goal when a Western Illinois defender knocked the ball into his own net.

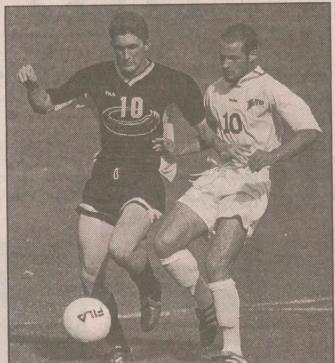
OU extended its lead to 2-0 at 82:17 when David Hall scored on a cross from Paul Snape.

Golden Grizzlies' lead the ball against Western Illinois. with a goal at 85:47. Matt Hawkins scored off a corner kick by

Chris Vokt. OU outshot the Westerwinds, 17-5 for

"We dominated the game but we had a hard time scoring goals," said Coach

Gary Parsons. Goalkeeper Mike Skolnik faced five shots and had to make a save for the vic-



Western Illinois cut the BALL BATTLE: Sophomore Paul Snape fights for

The loss dropped Western Illinois to 5-

The Grizzlies' next game will be on Sunday at Mid-Continent Conference rival Oral Roberts University. The game is the last conference opponent the Grizzlies will play this season and the last road game of the season. OU plays their final game on Nov. 7 at 2 p.m. as they host Mercyhurst.

Open Softball Meeting

- · There will be an informational meeting for any women interested in participating this coming up season.
- The meeting will be held on Monday, Nov. 2 in room 128 in the OC.
- •The meeting is scheduled to start at 12 p.m. and will run anywhere from a half hour to an hour.
- For more information contact head coach Steve Ogg at X3103.

Swimming and Diving splash in weekend relays

By LISA BORICH Sports Editor

OU's Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving team splashed around this past weekend at Bowling Green State University for the Tom Stubbs Relays. "We usually dominate this event, but

we only had one win this year," said Pete Hovland, men's head coach. Since this is OU's first year going

Division I most of the swimmers are not used to the heavy competition.

Hovland, talking about the move to Division I and into the new Athletic cen-

"We're not as strong from a couple years ago, we have a long way to go," he added. "We don't have the talent at this point in the season."

The men's team walked away with a

third place in the 300 meter butterfly relay, headed by Ido Meron, Dan Gabriel and Thiago Orso.

Orso also participated in the 300 meter backstroke relay, and placed second, with the help of Yoav Ritter and Collin

The women's team, on the other hand, exploded and dominated the three meter diving event with support from Devon Cunningham and Kazi Murr.

The Golden Grizzly girls also dominated in the butterfly event with the "We're in a transition period," said support from Grace Bender, Rochelle Atrasz and Peggy Strauss.

"We have the largest team this year than we've had in a long time," said Randy Teeters, women's head coach.

"Bigger numbers create a bigger and healthier competition within the team,"

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Golden Grizzlies freeze Penguins on astroturf

time to get used

Once we adapt-

Nick O'Shea

we

trolled

game."

By ZVONKO BLAZESKI Staff Writer

It was a cold and rainy day, but that still didn't stop the Women's Soccer corner kick to increase the Golden

team from handing the State "It took some Youngstown University Penguins their ninth loss of the

season. The Golden Grizzlies defeated the Penguins 4-0 to improve its record to 10-3. The Penguin ed record dropped to 5-9.

"It was a cold and rainy day and the game was played on astroturf," said Coach Nick O'Shea. "It took some time to get used to the

astroturf. Once we adapted, we controlled the game."

The rain affected the Penguins as they came out ice cold.

The Golden Grizzlies scored the only goal they needed when Anita Rapp

scored on a header off a corner kick by Brooke Kairies. Anita Rapp finished the game with two goals. Brooke Kairies scored at 37:53 off a

Grizzly lead to 2-0. OU took the 2-0 lead into the

In the second half, the Golden Grizzlies continto the astroturf. ued to put pressure on the Penguins.

OU increased its lead to con- 3-0 on a goal at 61:40. Anita Rapp scored the goal, her second of the game. Brooke Kairies received the assist, her

second of the game. The Golden Grizzlies upped their lead to 4-0

Women's Soccer Coach with only 11 seconds left in the game,

when Kristen Luoma scored at 89:49. Goalkeeper Holly Runstadler made six saves for the shutout.

OU outshot the Penguins, 22-8.

Spotlight on the STEVE OGG:

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL COACH



Post Photo/Jen Madjarev

By JOE GRAY Staff Writer

Women's fast pitch softball is coming to OU in the 1999-2000 school year and head coach Steve Ogg is itching to get started now.

said. "I want this season to start tomorrow." Steve brings 24 years of coaching experience head softball coach at OCC. He compiled a of athletics. 317-157 record and eight league titles at the

The job of building the team to respectability is Steve's and he believes he is in the right spot to get the job done.

"I think OU, in the long run, can be very competitive," he said. "Oakland County is one of the best areas for fast pitch softball in the country."

According to Steve, many local schools start girls softball programs as early as the third grade, five or six years earlier than most outof-state schools, which wait until ninth grade to let the girls play fast pitch.

Because of an NCAA rule forbidding coaches to comment on potential recruits, Steve wouldn't talk about specific players, but he said 80-90 percent of the players will come from Oakland County.

Steve plans to stock the roster with fast players and bring in good athletes at the pitcher, catcher, shortstop and center field positions. Along with his OU coaching duties, Steve

runs a consulting company with his wife Julie. Their company specializes in conducting leadership programs for businesses.

Steve plans on creating a leadership program for his team called Leaders in the Field.

"The program will provide leadership train-"It bothers me I have to wait so long," Steve ing and allow them to practice using those skills in community service," he said.

Steve and Julie have three children, two girls to OU, including the last 12 as the women's and a boy, and they all share their father's love

Their oldest child, Kelly, is a senior at Waterford Mott High School and plays on the

school's softball team. Their son Joe, who also attends Mott, plays

football and basketball. The youngest Ogg child is 12-year old Katie,

who pitches for the girl's fast pitch softball team at Crary Middle School.

"We have a very athletic family," Steve said.

"My wife even keeps score for us." Despite having his hands full with work and family, Steve still has time to practice his

magic tricks. In the eighties, Steve performed some magic shows with local Halloween celebrity Count Scary. Steve went by the name Count Spooky. Steve says he can use his magic to help his

'When you have a team that's really stressed out or pressured, I can reach into my bag of tricks to loosen them up and enjoy the moment."

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Gembinski and Ashleigh Shenden at the Lowry Center for Early Childhood Education.

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to develop a series of checklists year-olds," Shenden said. for evaluating each child's stage of development.

By using the checklist to assess such concepts as classification and seriation, teachers can tailor learning to the individual needs of each child.

"framework for a curriculum

Their research was concentrated on assisting teachers so that children can be presented with materials and concepts appropriate to their level of understand-

"We wanted to develop a The two worked to establish a teacher-friendly tool that can be used on a daily basis by teachers tool for developing preschool dren and conducted interviews appropriate for three- and four- to plan activities and monitor mathematical skills.

children's progress," Bhargava

The pair will begin presenting their research in its entirety, and are getting ready to publish.

For future projects, Bhargava and Kirova-Petrova are extending their research to include the usage of the electronic media as a

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enough to fight against the

OU lost the face-off to IUPUI 3-

0 (9-15, 4-15, 4-15) "This was probably the worst match we have had all season,"

said Schulte. It didn't take long for the Grizzlies to bounced back into

Saturday OU bumped Valparaiso 3-2 (9-15, 15-12, 15-7, 7-15, 15-13).

"We played very well," added Schulte.

Once again Robinson led OU with 16 kills and 43 total attempts and the help of Pierce with ten kills and 23 total attempts.

Senior co-captain, Renee Williams had 11 digs.

The Grizzlies overall record is 6-

OU travels to Western Illinois to play the Westerwinds on Friday.

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Teeters added.

Both Hovland and Teeters are looking forward for their teams to compete in Division I this year. Friday and Saturday the men's team is hosting the Grizzly

Quadrangular against MSU, U-

M, and EMU at 7 p.m. in the new Athletic center swimming pool. "I think it will be good for us, it'll be a step up," said junior

Song

Courtney Dunlap.

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about an hour and came up with it," said Mitchell.

Some last minute modifications are being made, but Upward hopes that everything will be pieced together in time for the

Nov. 17 MSU basketball game. Right now, Upward and Tom Montgomery, director of Media Relations, are toying with ideas to put copies in the sports programs or to play the song on

OU's WXOU 88.3 radio station. When asked about the impact the new fight song will have on students, Mitchell said, "I think it will be great, it's part of what makes you belong to your school, so you are able to have the full university experience."





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