

Baseball coaches strike out

Thomas' parents sue university members

By JEANNEE KIRKALDY
Editor-in-Chief

Fifteen months ago, 19-year-old Jonathan Thomas, OU sophomore, was killed in an alcohol-related car crash, involving OU alumnus Christopher Knoche.

On Aug. 31, 1998, Knoche pleaded guilty of operating under the influence of liquor (OUIL) and committing manslaughter.

Knoche was sentenced to one year in the county jail, five-year probation, \$1,500 fine, five-year restricted license and 500 hours of community service. He must also participate in a substance abuse program.

Today, Thomas' parents, David Thomas and Beverly Bothwell, still feel they have not received accurate answers in the events leading to Jonathan's death. And, despite Knoche's trial being over, Bothwell said that "it is not over and will probably never be over."

Thomas and Bothwell continue to fight in the crusade of finding answers, and hopefully preventing another tragedy.

Days before the new year a new chapter was opened when the two filed a lawsuit against 16 individuals, including five OU faculty members, nine students and former students, and two alumni.

According to Bothwell, she and Thomas are asking for an excess of \$25,000 from each individual involved contending that they played a role in Jonathan's death.

She added, "This list (of defendants) could change as the case progresses. There could be some names added."

The defendants include: Christopher Knoche, Valerie Schultz, Jack Mehl, Tracy Huth, David Herman, Eleanor Reynolds, Pete Hovland, Matt Henderson, Todd Duncan, Mark Gole, Kevin

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The Blizzard of '99 hit Michigan right after the holidays, causing traffic problems and school closings.

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The gusts of snow also halted the construction of the R & S Sharf golf course on campus.

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OU athletics director fires baseball coaches, volleyball coach walks

By LISA BORICH
Sports Editor

Most people have heard the saying "Three strikes, you're out." Well, this was literally the case for the baseball coaching staff.

On Jan. 6, a press release distributed by OU's athletic department stated the interim head baseball coach Greg Porter was released from his duties.

According to Kris Devantier, a pitcher for OU's baseball team, this misfortune happened a week after Jack Mehl, OU athletic director, had told Porter he has done more for the program in the past six months than any of the coaches in the past five years.

Mehl stated, "Porter was what we called an interim coach." An interim coach is another saying for a temporary coach. "After the first year a coach is hired they are evaluated to see how well their first season went," he said.

"Coaches have a broad rein of responsibilities that go outside of what we see," Mehl said. "We have to evaluate things we see as spectators, and what I see as an athletic director."

He added, "We have to look at the total package. He was in a trail period where if we didn't see the total package it would be in our best interest to go a different direction."

According to Kyle Simmons, outfielder for the OU baseball team, Porter put together a purchase order for new jackets with the new school logo on them. Before Porter had the approval of the Athletic Department, the team had already received their jackets.

The order was made through Burke's Sports Haven store in Eastpointe, MI. If Mehl would have gone through the school store, "The Grizz," he could have saved the Athletic Department some money, Simmons said.

On Jan. 5, Mehl had a meeting with the baseball players and told them that he would never fire someone because they jumped a purchase order.

However, according to Devantier, "Porter told us it was because he had gone over Mehl and jumped the purchase order."

In addition to Porter's dismissal, a week earlier one of the assistant coaches, Frank Divito, was released because of a situation in the Athletic Department workout center, according to Devantier.

Davantier stated Divito propped open one of the doors to the athletic workout room because the team uses the Rec Center triceps machine.

Huth found out about the incident and instructed Porter to release Divito for that and for "many other sensitive situations," Devantier added.

Before the firing occurred Divito had written a letter to Mehl apologizing for the situation.

The other assistant coach, Jay Alexander, has left the program.

Assistant Athletic Director Tracy Huth commented on the assistants being fired by saying, "They were let go because it is hard to hire a coach who cannot bring or hire his own staff."

Huth added, "The coaching staff has to have the same philosophy and work ethic."

On Jan. 6, OU announced their new baseball coaching staff.

Mark Avery, a 1995 Wayne State University graduate and former WSU baseball player, was named the new head coach. Avery played professional ball from 1993 to 1996 with the Detroit Tigers and the Chicago White Sox.

Along with the naming of the new head coach the

Three VPAA candidates to visit campus

By LIDIJA MILIC
News Editor

Three of the ten candidates who came in for the airport interviews will visit OU for on-campus interviews at the end of January/beginning of February, as the search narrows for the selection of the future vice president of academic affairs.

Y. T. Shah, chief research officer and senior vice president at Clemson University, will be on campus on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 21 and 22.

Louis Esposito, vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost at University of Massachusetts, Boston, will be visiting on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 25 and 26.

Finally, John Wanat, executive associate vice chancellor for academic affairs and vice provost at University of Illinois, Chicago, will spend Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 1 and 2.

The three candidates were chosen by OU President Gary Russi from the six recommended to him by the VPAA/provost search committee after the airport interviews that took place Dec. 5 and 6 at the Hilton Suites by the Metro Airport.

According to Kevin Murphy, chair of the search committee and economics chair, the format of the three candidates' visits will be basically the same.

Murphy said all three give a presentation, followed by a Q&A session and a



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VISITING SOON: John Wanat and Y. T. Shah, pictured here, are two of the three VPAA candidates invited by President Russi to visit OU campus. The photo of Louis Esposito was not available at press time.

reception on the afternoon of the second day of their visit.

The presentations will be held at 3 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the OC. There will be approximately 100 seats for each presentation, Murphy said.

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FAST FACTS

- The University Senate will hold a meeting Thursday, Jan. 14 at 3:10 p.m. in the Gold Rooms in the Oakland Center.

- The OU community members can voice concerns, ask questions and present problems about parking on campus by writing to Greg Kampe, chair of the parking committee, athletics department. Kampe can also be reached at (248) 370-4005.
- For weather closing or snow emergency information, students can call the hotline at (248) 370-2000. Another option is to watch TV channels 2, 4 or 7, or to listen to radio stations WJR (760 AM), WWJ (950 AM) or WXYT (1270 AM). If your class meets at an extension site and classes there were cancelled, then your night extension class is cancelled, even if OU remains open. Do not call the OU Police Department, as they must be reachable in emergency situations.

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Student Affairs Student Affairs EVENTS UPDATING OU

• The 1999 Keeper of the Dream Award nominations forms are now available in the Dean of Students Office, 144 OC. These one-time nonrenewable awards recognize OU continuing students who have contributed to interracial understanding and good will. All nomination packets are due by Jan. 15, 1999.

• Monthly Volunteer Opportunity
Volunteers are needed to pack and shelve food at the Oakland County Food Bank, 120 East Columbia, Pontiac, MI. To volunteer, please contact Merle Eubanks at (248) 332-1473.

• Congratulations to our Fall Semester Intramural Champions.

Mark Cacko's Team - Softball
Men's Volleyball - Bus Drivers
WOCOU-4 Basketball - Sigma Pi
Co-ed Basketball - Shepherders
WOCOU-4 Volleyball - Spike This!
Table Tennis - Dajuan Ligons and Sam Machinski
Flag Football - Crunch 'N Munch
Men's Soccer - Blue Flame
Triathlon '98 - Bonnie Karas and Steve Reinke
Women's Soccer - M.A.D.
Women's Volleyball - Oakland Yard

THIS WEEK

• Schick Super Hoops 3:3 Basketball Tournament will be held Jan. 16-17, 1999. Lots of fun and prizes! Contact the Recreation Center for more information.

• Attention All Intramural Sports Fans! The winter semester team or individual entry forms are now available at the information tables in the REC Center. Stop by and submit your entry for the following intramural sports: Men's Basketball, Women's Basketball, Men's Indoor Soccer, Women's Indoor Soccer, Co-ed Volleyball, Co-ed Dodge Ball, Co-ed Floor Hockey, Badminton, Table Tennis, Racquetball, Coed 2:2 Basketball Tournament, Basketball Sharp Shooting, and Coed Ultimate Sports Challenge.

• COME JOIN US!!!

You are invited to attend an exciting Panel Discussion on "Diversity in the Workplace." The Department of Placement and Career Services and the Office of Diversity and Compliance, along with the students, are excited to present to the Oakland community this opportunity to become part of a dynamic exchange of opinions, questions and general information. Mark your calendars!! Invite your roommates and classmates. Don't forget, soon you will be employed and this information can prove to be invaluable.

Panel Discussion - "Diversity in the Workplace"
Where: OC Gold Rooms

When: Tuesday, January 19, 1999
Time: 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.

The organizations invited to participate in this dialog are DaimlerChrysler, IBM, Henry Ford Health Systems, Oakland County, Regal Plastics, University of Michigan/Ann Arbor, Ford Motor, General Motors and Oakland Community College. In addition, this panel discussion will be moderated by Channel 4's own Emery King, Newscaster.

• Professional Placement Recruiting. Bidding for on-campus recruiting began on Jan. 11, 1999. To learn more about the procedures for bidding and on-campus interviewing, please contact Placement & Career Services at 370-3250. In addition, a seminar will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 19, from 5-6 p.m. in Gold Rooms 128-130 of the OC to talk about Placement services.

UPCOMING EVENTS

• Would you like to gain experience for your resume, develop networking contacts, work with children and earn money for college? Have you thought about AmeriCorps? Applications are now being accepted for the January team. Orientation sessions and interviews will be conducted Jan. 26 from 12-2 in Gold Room A and on Jan. 27 from 3:30 to 5:30 in Room 126-127 of the OC. You must attend one session to be considered for membership.

• Career Prep Week. Placement & Career Services presents the Winter '99 Career Prep Week on January 19-22, 1999. The calendar of events for the week includes mock interviews, a Diversity Career Fair, and a variety of panels and seminars. For detailed schedule of these events, stop in at our office (275 Vandenberg Hall West) or visit 'Upcoming Attractions' on our website at <http://phoenix.placement.oakland.edu>.

• Educator's Recruiting Day. Placement & Career Services (P&CS) will host the fourth annual Educator's Recruiting Day on May 3, 1999 here at Oakland University. Last year's event brought 24 school districts and schools to campus to interview 130 OU education candidates. A total of nearly 1000 interviews were conducted, resulting in the hiring of approximately 75% of those candidates. Participants in this year's event must again be an OU student or alum and be registered with the P&CS Dept. Candidates' resume information must be entered into the Resume Expert Web database. The following workshops are scheduled to assist students with this process: Jan. 21 & 27, and Feb. 3 (5-6:00 p.m., 128-130 OC): Resume Writing for Educators and Feb. 6 (10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, Heritage Room, OC): Placement Services/Learn How to Use Resume Expert Web.

Suit

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Bobzien, Ken Ehlen, Matt Stratton, Peter Stremersch, Jason Muxlow and Jiolvion Ricossa.

Bothwell believes the problem involving alcohol has reached the point of an epidemic, exceeding problems with drug use.

"It has got to stop," she said. "I just don't want to see anyone else have to go through this... Our main concern is prevention, to make sure this doesn't happen (here) again or anywhere else."

Thomas agreed, adding money played no role in the motivation for filing the lawsuit.

"All this is, is to prevent the devastation of a family having to go through this again... and it will happen again unless we do something."

He added, "I would much rather have woken up today, hugged Jon and taken him to lunch than have attended a grievance group and visit a counselor tomorrow."

Since the lawsuit was filed, Bothwell said, "As far as I know, (the individuals) have made no reply or made any statements."

At press time, Thomas and Bothwell's lawyers did not return phone calls.

Coaches

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pitching and catching coaches were named.

Dave Marcon, OU's new catching coach also comes from Wayne State University, and played baseball for Henry Ford Community College and Oral Roberts University. Marcon also played six years of professional ball.

The new pitching coach is Andy Fairman. Fairman was a U-M graduate and played for U-M. Professionally he played with the Milwaukee Brewers.

The athletics turmoil did not end with the firing of the baseball coaches.

The head volleyball coach, Dan Schulte, quit soon after this incident, after three years as Director of Marketing and volleyball's head coach.

Volleyball has gone to a part-time sport because of Title Nine, gender equity, stating for every full-time sport there must be a male and a female team.

"All the programs must mirror one another and we are not at a point where we can do that," Huth said.

Mehl added, "When Dan was notified of his next year's contract going to part-time, Dan made the decision to leave."

Plans to hire another head volleyball coach are set for March.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 19

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Information Table
Panel: Diversity in the Workplace
Placement Services Seminar

Oakland Center Hallway
Oakland Center Gold Rooms
Oakland Center 128-130

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Information Table
Seminar: Behavioral Interviewing
Mock Interviews
Seminar: How to Start/Manage A Small Business

Oakland Center Hallway
Oakland Center 126-127
Oakland Center Oakland Room
Oakland Center 126-127

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.

Information Table
Panel: Breaking Into the Business-A discussion about today's workplace
Diversity Career Fair

Oakland Center Hallway
Oakland Center Fireside Lounge
Oakland Center Rooms: Gold, Oakland, Heritage, & 126-130

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Panel and Discussion: Volunteerism and Community Service
Seminar: Negotiating your Salary

Oakland Center 126-127
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Each candidate will also meet with several campus groups, including the President's cabinet, Dean's Council, the members of provost's office, department chairs, academic and student affairs, the AAUP executive committee, and the student representative group, among others.

"Itineraries are still pretty much up in the air," Murphy said.

Each candidate will also go on a campus tour.

According to Susan Wood, associate professor of art history and search committee member, the candidates are also to have a meal with the members of the search committee.

Murphy said there will be an open-ended question survey distributed to all who attend any of the events, to gather community feedback about the candidate.

After the candidate visits, the search committee will write evaluations of each candidate and submit to Russi, who will decide on one individual to recommend to the Board.

If the Board approves, the chosen finalist will be asked to accept the VPAA/Provost position.

Murphy said Russi will probably receive the evaluations around the end of February, and the Board will most likely vote on the matter at its March meeting.

Murphy added that the Finance and Personnel subcommittee to the Board will probably discuss the recommendation prior to the meeting.

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ON CAMPUS

Golf course controversy continues

Priority list of projects for donors does not exist, claim officials

By LIDIJA MILIC
News Editor

The "political football" over the new R & S Sharf golf course continued over the holidays.

According to Stephan Sharf, former Board of Trustees member and donor of \$2 million for the second golf course, OU suggested to him to donate for the course because it was at the top of the priority list of projects for which they needed funding.

On Dec. 22, the Freedom of Information Act Coordinator Rhonda Saunders responded to THE OAKLAND POST request for a copy of the priority list, stating that "no such document exists."

In the response letter, Saunders stated she has received this information from David Disend, vice president for uni-

versity relations and executive director of OU Foundation.

The dispute over the Board's approval of the construction also resulted in a grievance filed by the American Association of University Professors (AAUP).

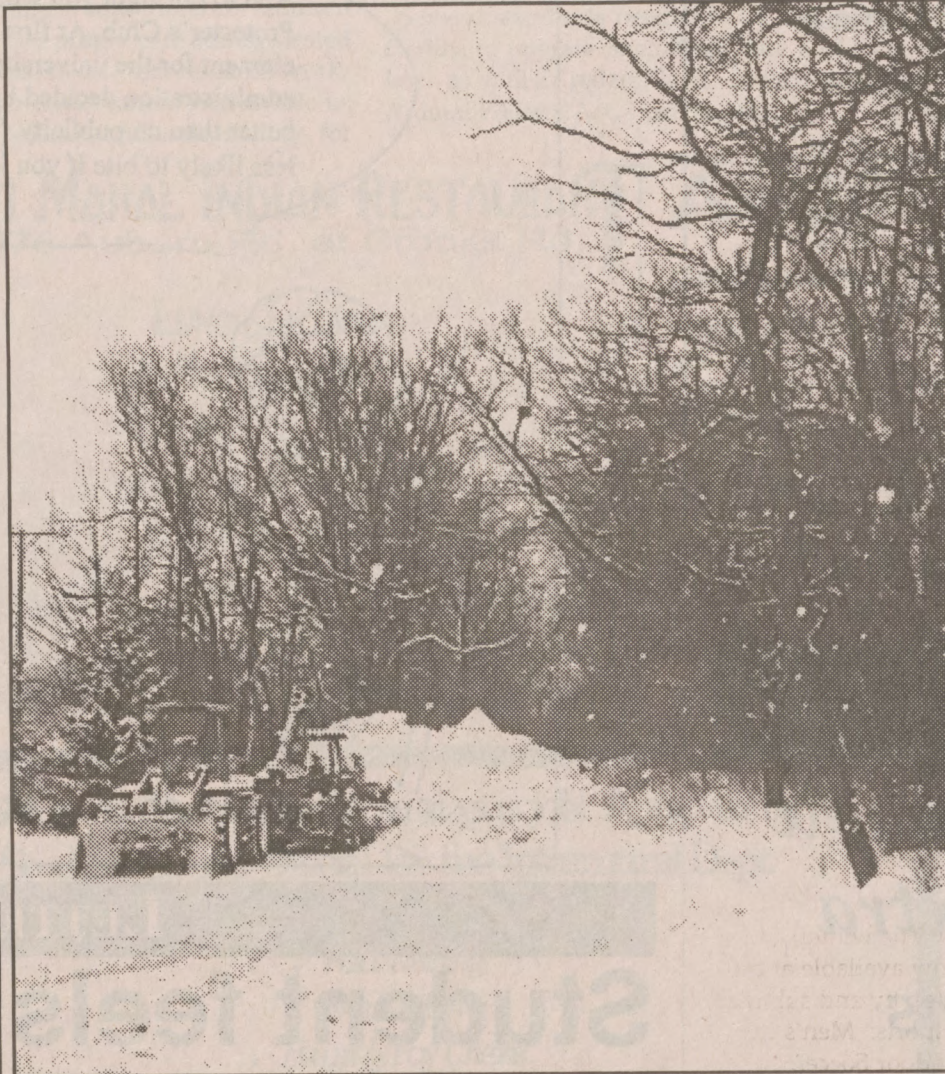
The grievance stated that the proposal to build the golf course did not go through appropriate University Senate channels prior to the decision by the Board.

"It went to the Senate and the appropriate committee, but that was after the fact," said Eileen Bantel, executive director of AAUP.

The grievance, filed on Nov. 17, went to the first step hearing on Dec. 14. The OU contracting officer William Connellan turned down the grievance.

According to Bantel, the two parties

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SNOWED IN (Top): Mother Nature accomplished what many members of the OU community have been trying to do for months. The construction of the R & S Sharf golf course was temporarily stopped due to the bad weather.

STORMY GAME (left): David Disend, vice president for university relations, and David Downing, interim vice president of academic affairs, answered questions about the golf course at the November forum.



Post Photo/Jeanne Kirkaldy

AAUP grievance goes to arbitration

By TANIA PREPOLEC
Assistant News Editor

The AAUP also proceeded with another grievance, preparing to take it to arbitration, again on the claim of insufficient counsel.

The grievance was filed after the Board of Trustees meeting in August 1998, after the appointment of William Macauley for the position of interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Macauley was previously the assistant dean of CAS.

The Board appointed Macauley on President Gary Russi's recommendation. According to the CAS con-

stitution, the faculty must be consulted before such an appointment takes place.

The case will go to arbitration Tuesday, Feb. 23 at a yet undetermined location, said Eileen Bantel, AAUP executive director.

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.

The arbitrator, Mario Chiesa, was selected from a list of arbitrators approved by both the AAUP and OU, and compiled by AAUP attorney Gordon Gregory, Bantel said. Gregory will represent the AAUP.

Approximately three weeks passed between making the decision to arbitrate and finding an arbitrator, said Barry Turett, AAUP grievance officer.

According to Bill Connellan, vice provost and university contractor, OU hired external counsel Tom Hustoles to represent them at the arbitration.

Hustoles was hired by the OU Legal Counsel Susan Gerrits.

Connellan said that it was common to hire external counsel when cases go to arbitration.

According to Connellan, before this one, there was "only one arbitration in 17 years (when OU) did not hire someone from the outside."

Animal lab to house top equipment

By DIANE FRKAN
Staff Writer

After weeks of speculation, the animal lab facility located behind Kresge Library will be known as the Biomedical Research Support Facility.

The two-story building will be used by OU faculty who are doing research that requires vertebrate animals for their research.

The facility should open in early spring or late summer and fully operate in the fall semester. It will house and support small and large animals like pigs, goats and sheep needed for research.

According to Cliff Snitgen, manager of lab animal management services, the animals will be isolated from each other in separate rooms complete with own filtration, heating and cooling system.

The facility will also offer a biosafety level three airlock containment and decontamination area for infectious agent work.

In case of power loss, backup systems will guarantee uninterrupted research and state-of-the-art fire con-

tainment procedures in case of a fire.

Snitgen also stated the types of research conducted will vary, as well as what animals are used. Currently there are 15 active projects going on.

"Biomedical research is a strategic focus of the university. The Biomedical Research Support Facility, operating within the highest standards of quality care and use of laboratory animals, is essential to support these scientific activities," Snitgen said.

Research could include anything from basic science testing, clinical studies, biomedical, chemistry to more specific research like cardiac physiology, hypertension, cancer and retinal and cataract disease study, he added.

The facility will be shared by OU's Eye Institute, biology, chemistry, psychology and other departments as well as researchers, and students who are doing research with permission.

Snitgen said that adequate space is much needed for research and so the facility will provide the space and

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Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Day

Next week will begin with the second annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Day on OU campus. The festivities on Monday, Jan. 18 will include:

- a birthday party at noon in the Pioneer Food Court;
- an All-Campus Unity march starting at 11:30 a.m. on the first floor lobby in Vandenberg Hall;
- a candlelight vigil at 7 p.m. in the OC Gold Room A.

Monday will also mark the start of the African-American Celebration Month (Jan. 18-Feb. 18), with the theme "Artistic Expressions of African-American Life and History."

Reported Theft

A Student Congress member reported stolen money Monday after working at its book swap Friday afternoon.

The student stated that he set the supposedly locked cashbox on a table while temporarily leaving the Fireside Lounge.

He then returned to pick up the box, placing it in the Congress Office safe, before leaving for the evening.

He stated that approximately six people knew the combination to the safe, and that he was the only one with keys to the cashbox.

Two witnesses said that they didn't see anyone near the box, but did see a man walk through the area several times.

An officer didn't see any marks on the safe or the box, and the police were called later with the names of those believed to have the combination to the safe.

The case is open.

Truck Break In

A Hill House resident reported Friday, Dec. 11 that, when he returned to his truck parked across Vandenberg Hall, he found his back slider window broken out, his cell phone missing, and his CD player taken from the dash.

The case is open.

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Is OU "dissing" students with disabilities?

My feelings about winter are ambiguous.

On one hand, I admire the beauty of newly fallen snow and the joy of the holiday season.

But on the other hand, I dread harsh weather conditions and what they represent to me as a physically challenged student on a not-so-accessible campus.

My first year of college was spent at Central Michigan University. One good thing I can say about my experience there was that when I needed it, there was a bus which would pick me up at my dorm and drive me around campus.

After transferring to OU, I was appalled to discover that no such mode of transportation existed here. (Granted we aren't as large a campus as CMU or State for example, but that doesn't mean that some of us don't have difficulty getting around.)

Living on campus and getting a used car seemed to be the most convenient solution. But soon my starter and carburetor began to fail even after replacing them.

On one Saturday morning after a particularly heavy snow fall, I needed a ride to my 9 a.m. class. Unable to reach friends, I decided to walk from my dorm in the knee-deep snow. Half way there I spotted the snow plow people, and hitched a ride with them.

Not only is it hard to get around campus as it is, but recently a convenient route has been removed.

This winter I will also no longer have the ramp (leading to Kresge Library from Dodge Hall) and its rails to steady myself with while walking from the parking lot to work in the morning.

Like all of us, I will have to use the sidewalk leading around the hill instead of the direct and simple route the ramp provided.

As I was coming to work one morning last summer, I was horrified to discover that the ramp had been demolished. I learned that its last block of concrete was raised, and this made it unsafe for those in wheelchairs.

I kept silent after hearing this explanation, thinking that the action couldn't have been avoided. But in the back of my mind, I kept wondering why the ramp couldn't have just been fixed.

After all, one doesn't demolish a perfectly good road because of a pothole.

The action seemed even more pointless when fall arrived, and I noticed a track in the dirt where the ramp used to be. Even the planting of shrubs and the installation of a fence didn't seem to hinder students from taking the more convenient route.

What's more, my second job here at THE OAKLAND POST requires us to be temporarily located in a trailer due to the OC renovation. This is a detriment in and of itself, but the fact that there are steps leading to the door and no accompanying ramp is atrocious.

This means that the same university which destroys a ramp because of its inaccessibility to those in wheelchairs, assigns its student paper to a trailer which denies them access altogether!

Trust me when I say that if those steps didn't have a railing, I too would have serious difficulty entering the trailer and writing this column.

If you're also having trouble getting around campus in this slushy weather, email me at tppolec@oakland.edu.

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EDITOR'S VIEW

Snow rings in new year, take extra precautions

It's the new year, and along with the new year many people make New Year's resolutions. Some keep them and others break them.

For most, this may be a once a year thing, but students on the other hand have what we call "New Semester" resolutions.

At the start of every semester, many students make personal goals having to deal with their college adventure. Some say, "no more skipping classes," while others say, "I'm going to spend more time studying."

Those who said they were going to plan on attending class on a regular basis and show up on time were off to a rough start at the kick-off of this semester.

Old Man Winter decided to show up with a New Year's resolution of his own- to work his snowy magic and put this January into the history books.

And, it looks as though he's keeping and working overtime in order to achieve his goal. On this chilly Wednesday, just mid-way through the first month of the year, he's managed to make this the 10th snowiest January that Michigan and its residents have ever had since the weather service began keeping records.

Aside from Old Man Winter, there have been others working overtime.

At OU, Campus Facilities and Operations (CF&O) have been working diligently to keep our roads and parking lots well plowed, and our sidewalks and steps well shoveled and salted.

Winter is a high maintenance season. Aside from the frigid cold that can cause such health conditions like frostbite and hypothermia, there are other red flags that everyone should be aware of.

Let's begin with on-campus red flags.

Everyone should be more careful while driving. With the two plus feet of snow on the ground, there are heaping mounds of the white stuff reducing visibility and making it harder for drivers to see when rounding corners and pulling out of driveways.

When traveling on foot, try and be more considerate of fellow classmates. Stomping and running past others on the slush filled walkways can end up soaking another pedestrian.

Most importantly, everyone should be more considerate of students and faculty with disabilities.

Although CF&O is working hard to keep the sidewalks salted, the amount of snow that has been coming down consistently is too much to keep up with. Not only is it hard for everyone to get around in, it also poses a problem around doorways, steps and ramps.

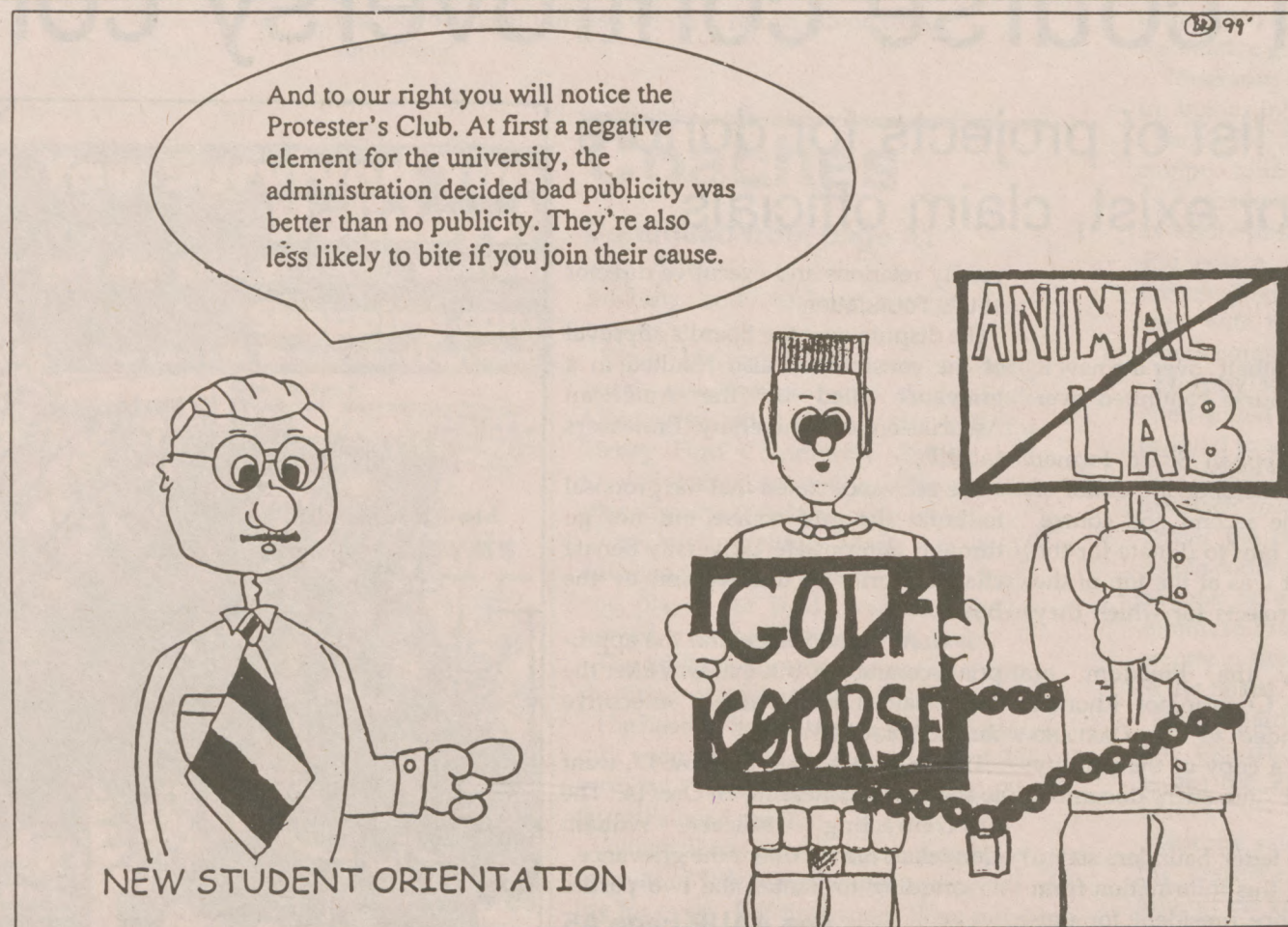
Off-campus there are also winter dangers getting to and from campus.

Road conditions should be a major concern to everybody. Pay attention, when the weather's nasty leave more time to get where you're going- and that means classes, too. And if you've got a four wheel drive vehicle, don't get overconfident. A 4x4 might make the going easier in snow, but nothing works well on solid ice.

JEANNEE KIRKALDY

If you wish to comment on this editorial or any other story in this issue send an e-mail to oakpost@oakland.edu

PERSPECTIVES



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student feels animal lab useless

Dear Editor,

I am quite disturbed about the new Animal Facility on our campus. Not only are animal tests immoral, but they are unnecessary and misleading.

Animals are physiologically, anatomically, biochemically, historically, immunologically and neurologically incomparable to humans. An increasing number of doctors agree that animal research is useless and misdirecting. Not only are animals different from each other as well as humans. There is a 50/50 chance that a chemical will cause cancer in both a rat and a mouse. Penicillin is fatal to guinea pigs, but they, along with monkeys, can safely eat strychnine which is poisonous to humans.

With animal research you can design a study to prove or disprove whatever you want. Many serious side effects are unknown until they are used on humans. The medical community acknowledges that male and female patients are different. So how can an animal be any closer to us than the opposite sex of our own species?

The eye related research that is done on rabbits can not be extrapolated to humans. The reason rabbits are used is the sensitivity of their cornea, however the rabbit's cornea is only .36mm thick while the humans is .51mm. The rabbit also lacks effective tear glands. Known as the Draize test, it is conducted for legal, not safety reasons.

If Ted Montgomery wants to take credit for the "many childhood diseases like leukemia, cancer and eye diseases" that are not "preventable and curable" thanks to animal research (in fact, since 1950 childhood cancer has risen 20 percent), he must be willing to accept the blame for the numerous toxins that made it pass such tests and into our environment to poison us. We already know many of the causes of cancer, but instead of concentrating on prevention we look for treatments and cures in animals.

Another reason for the ineffectiveness of animal research is the fact that once a human disease is recreated in an animal, it is artificial and different from the original spontaneous disease in humans. Also, animals do not get human infectious diseases due to the

difference in immune systems. This is the underlying problem with animal-based AIDS research.

Non animal tests are usually faster and cheaper than animal tests. Eytext testing kits can test three concentrations of a chemical for \$99.50, a Draize test of comparable range would cost more than \$1000.

Since our administration seems to be so money conscious this should be very appealing.

The eye research along with the unidentified "other types," which often include, inoculating with deadly diseases, sleep deprivation, burning, poisoning and starving, are despicable. How can they be "state-of-the-art" and on the "cutting edge" if the methods are from the dark ages? And, if I am wrong and animals are so similar to us, shouldn't we think about moral aspects?

Sincerely,
Derek Watkins
Environmental Health
Junior

OU graduate supports second golf course

Dear Editor,

I am puzzled by the recent outbursts from some of the students and faculty at OU. These people don't seem to grasp the concept of what the new golf course can do for the university.

Everybody wants to see OU grow and this is a great opportunity for that to happen.

First of all, no one complained when OU decided to grow by adding a brand new Science and Engineering Building. Oh, and I forgot about the new Rec Center and the renovations to the OC. I would put a safe wager that the same people who are boycotting the new golf course applauded the new science building and were the first ones to get their

memberships for the Rec Center.

But wait, here is the kicker: these people are saying that the new golf course will ONLY bring in \$30 million over the next 20 years for the University. Only \$30 million, I can guarantee you that's a lot more than leaving the fields the way they are.

The new golf course is only going to change the ecological system of the surrounding area by a little bit. If the students and faculty can accept this then maybe the university can grow even more.

And to the past OU Student Body President (Garrick B. Landsberg- Dec. 2 Letter to the Editor), it's a fact of life that the President's Club members have money and are or were once affiliated with the university. These

fine folks would like to continue their support and if we alienate them by pursuing this matter then it could jeopardize ties with alumni and also members of the President's Club.

And as for you saying that you are not going to open your check book if the new golf course is created, that's fine, I know mine will always remain open to my alma mater.

Sincerely,

Matthew P. Karrandja
1997 OU Graduate
Former Student Body Leader

Community concerns snubbed

Dear Editor,

Although several letters have been written in concern to the subject of the Sharf golf course, I feel I must speak my opinion as well.

With a considerable knowledge of the subject, I am personally shocked at the events that have proceeded to create the situation that exists today.

Members to the Board of Trustees and even the President of the University seem to have kept this issue quiet until it reached the point "it was too late." I discovered they basically have tried to cover their tracks by using deceiving facts: claiming a golf course will preserve natural habitats somehow, by basically removing the walking trails that allows them to make more, and the biggest deception- that the university community was consulted on a decision that affects them.

If anything was ever done, it was never performed during the regular school year when the vast majority of students and faculty are

here.

I am truly disgusted with what I see at this school. It was brought upon by the previous meeting of the Board of Trustees in December 1998. When the university community (students, professors, etc.) got together to declare that it does not approve, they found a deaf ear.

There may be future modifications made to the construction of certain golf fairways, but the University community has literally condemned the Sharf Golf Course and their opinion has gone unheeded.

This has truly become a disgusting situation, and this university is beginning to sound more like it's in a fascist nation rather than a democratic one.

Sincerely,

Josh Lyon
History/Secondary Education
Junior

SETTING IT STRAIGHT

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

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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CENTER FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Thursday, January 14

Student and Greek Organization Day from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge. Come and see which student and/or Greek organization appeal to you.

One Day Winter Carnival: Free food give-a-ways, games, indoor picnic lunch and dinner specials, half court shots for OU prize packages at the OU Women's and Men's basketball games, etc.

OU Basketball vs. Oral Roberts
Women @ 5:15 p.m.
Men @ 7:35 p.m.

International Travel

It is not too late... This year CSA is coordinating an exciting international trip to the exotic nation of Turkey. Have you made your plans yet?

The trip to Turkey will be May 15 - May 25, 1999. The cost will be \$1950 per person. The itinerary includes visits to Istanbul, Cappadocia, Pamukkale, Kusadasi, and much more. Visit mosques, ancient cathedrals and palaces. Learn about Turkey's rich culture!

Carl Barnes and Bonnis Abiko from the Department of Art and Art History will lead the trip.

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

College Bowl

We want a few good players and moderators!

The Oakland University Campus Tournament will be held Saturday, January 30, 1999. Registration forms can be picked up at the at the Center for Student Activities Service Window. The entry fee to the Campus Tournament will be \$20 per team.

The Regional Tournament will be held at Michigan State University on February 20 & 21, 1999. The winner of the campus Tournament will earn a spot to represent Oakland University at the regional Tournament.

The Annual CSA Student Leadership Retreat

Is scheduled for Friday-Sunday, January 22-24 at the Loubelcn Retreat and Conference Center in Davison, Michigan. The retreat is open to all OU student organizations and individuals interested in leadership. 50 spaces are available. There is no charge. Sign up is at the CSA Service Window

NIKKI GIOVANNI

The African American Celebration Month Committee and the Student Program Board are very pleased to announce renowned poet and author, Nikki Giovanni, will be speaking at Oakland University on Thursday, January 28, 1999. The lecture/reading will take place at 3:00 p.m. in Meadow Brook Theatre. Tickets are on sale at the CSA Service Window, 49 Oakland Center, tables in the main hallway of the Oakland Center, and at the door. Tickets are \$4 for Oakland University Students, \$7 for Oakland University Employees and Alumni Association Members, and \$9 for Guests and the General Public. Any ticket purchased on or prior to January 27 will be discounted \$2.

The CSA Service Window

We now have tickets or sign up for the following:

- ❖ SPB January Ski Trip (waiting list only)
- ❖ Nikki Giovanni Tickets
- ❖ College Bowl Campus Tournament Sign Up
- ❖ Leadership Retreat sign up
- ❖ SATE Conference Sign-up
- ❖ SPB's Feb. 11 Trip to the Holocaust Center
- ❖ Meadow Brook Ball is Sold Out

Lab

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use of new technology, such as radiological equipment like x-ray machines, an in-house diagnostic work area and a hematology lab.

Also, there will be special safety cabinets and surgical areas complete with a post-operative recovery room, Snitgen said.

According to Mike Hartzler, associate professor of biomedical sciences and chair of Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, optimum conditions are required for animals to have proper care administered to them and space to conduct research work.

"A much better environment will enable us to provide a healthy and safe facility for

research," Hartzler said.

In 1993, Dodge Hall suffered a lab fire in which much research was destroyed along with laboratory animals.

Without sprinkle aids and due to inadequate spacing, it was not an ideal situation to evacuate all of the animals and save the research, Hartzler said.

"The research that will be done in the new facility will not be that much different from the research that is on going at Oakland. However, the difference is (that) the environment in which the animals are housed will be dramatically upgraded," said Hartzler.

Several standards needed to be met for the facility to operate, including state and local laws as well as federal laws, particularly the Animal Welfare Act, Hartzler said.

Also, the university had to comply with public health issues and the USDA and the requirements of the NIH (National Institute of Health) called The Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals.

In the late 1980's and early 1990's during the planning and designing of the Science and Engineering building, the facility was not to be built as a part of SEB due to budget issues, Snitgen said.

OU administration, however, felt there was a fundamental need to build this facility to provide proper animal care.

Once open, the Biomedical Research Support Facility will become a highly secured, safe and controlled environment to provide proper and ethical care for the animals that are used, Snitgen said.

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AAUP

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agreed to postpone further action until after the holidays.

Bantel said the AAUP had until Friday, Jan. 8 to determine whether to proceed to step two and request another ruling from the university.

The request for step two was made Friday, and the university has ten working days to respond, Bantel said.

"We asked them to stop the construction," Bantel said.

"They just went ahead with it, and didn't discuss it," she said.

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Oakland Center,
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"Blizzard of '99" causes road hazards

By AARON SCHEINKER
Special Writer

It must be a fierce winter when window washer fluid is flying off the shelves faster than Beanie Babies did in their prime.

But, being able to see past your windshield should be the least of the current driving hazards.

According to local weathercasters, the Metro Detroit area received around 15 inches of snow over the course of January, causing extremely icy and snowy road conditions for motorists.

Forecasters say this amount is about half the snow the area receives in a normal winter, yet the winter season is not even half over.

The phones of towing companies have been ringing off the hook since the snow began.

Sean, an employee at Troy Towing in Troy, said, "We have been doing more than 30 tows a day... half of (callers) are stuck, the other (callers) locked out or stalled."

He said the wait for service has been about 3 hours.

Even insurance companies

have been experiencing a rush of calls with the unusually snowy weather.

A representative from AAA of Michigan, said their towing services are experiencing a two to three hour delay in southeastern Michigan.

Lack of snow removal has caused road conditions to worsen. But Tom, a loading operator from the Oakland County Road Commission believes they are on top of the problem.

"On a winter storm day more than 100 trucks are out at a time," he said.

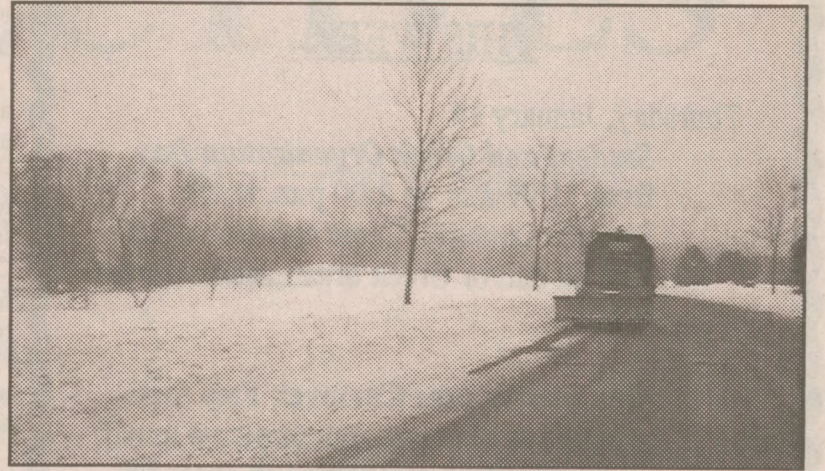
He added that about 1500 tons of salt is distributed between each of the six districts in Oakland County.

Junior Clint Shimon, engineering, says he's more careful on the roads, now that the snow has come.

"I'm scared that someone might hit me," Shimon said.

Shimon also said that a few of the accidents he has seen have prompted him to slow down.

Undoubtedly, the "Blizzard of '99" is keeping us all on our "tows".



PLEASANT PLOWING: Snowplow trucks take to the roads, attempting to keep roadways free of snow and slush.

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CONTEST RULES

1. A written format cannot exceed 1,000 words.
2. Non-written artistic formats cannot exceed five minutes in length. These artistic formats may or may not be accompanied by a written explanation, not to exceed 1,000 words.
3. All artistic formats must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 14, 1999 to the CSA Office, 49 Oakland Center. Dance, once-act plays, or musical compositions may be submitted in video form or performed live before the judges. The entry form below must accompany the submission. One entry per person.
4. All OU students, faculty and staff are eligible to participate. Only OU students are eligible to win the cash prizes -- \$300.00 for first place, \$100.00 for second and third places.
5. All entries must be clearly labeled and assembled. All entries will be returned.
6. If you have any questions about the contest rules, please contact the CSA Office, 49 Oakland Center, x2400.

All artistic entries are due by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 14.
Turn them in at the CSA Office, 49 OC.

**The 2nd Annual Martin Luther King, Jr.
Celebration Day**

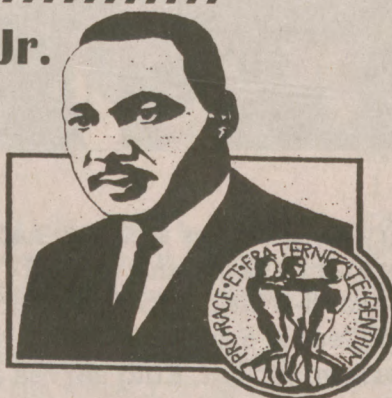
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◆ ◆ ◆ All-Campus Unity March ◆ ◆ ◆
Sponsored by Association of Black Students
11:30 a.m. -- First Floor Lobby, Vandenberg Hall

◆ ◆ ◆ Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration ◆ ◆ ◆
Noon-1:00 p.m. -- Pioneer Court, OC
(Lunch and birthday cake will be provided.)

◆ ◆ ◆ Candlelight Vigil ◆ ◆ ◆
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FESTIVALS & SHOWS

• **Health, Fitness & Lifestyle Show**
Attend seminars on how to live a healthier lifestyle and shop for spa, health care, diet materials and exercise equipment. Friday, Jan. 15, 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Novi Expo Center, Novi. Admission: \$6 adults, \$5 seniors, 12 & under free. Parking: \$5 cars and vans, \$10 large vehicles. Call (248) 348-6942.

• **Great American Train Show**
Saturday, Jan. 16 and Sunday, Jan. 17, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Novi Expo Center, Novi. Admission: \$5 adults, 12 and under free. Parking: \$5 cars and vans, \$10 large vehicles. Call (630) 834-0652 or go to www.gats.com.

• **Plymouth Model Railroad and Toy Train Show**
Show features operating train displays and sale. Collectable toys also featured Sunday, Saturday, Jan. 16 and Sunday, Jan. 17, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Plymouth Cultural Center, Plymouth. Admission: \$4 adults, \$1 ages 4-12. Call (734) 455-2110.

• **Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular**
Ice sculpting competitions (including some for charity) will take place and over 100 carved ice sculptures will be displayed in the downtown area. Wednesday, Jan. 13 through Sunday, Jan. 17. Show is open 24 hours. No admission. Call (734) 459-9157 or go to www.oonline.com/plymouthice.

LECTURES

• **"Snow Birds"**
A family nature program where parents can learn about winter birds and how to attract them. Children can take home simple bird feeders. Saturday, Jan. 16, 10:30 a.m. Sterling Heights Nature Center, Sterling Heights. Cost: \$2 per child. Call (810) 739-6731 to register.

JOB FAIRS

• **St. John Health System Open House**
An open house for those interested in a nursing career in the St. John Health System. On site interviews will be given and refreshments will be served. Thursday, Jan. 14, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Atheneum Suite Hotel, Detroit. Call (313) 962-2323.

OF INTEREST TO ALL

• **Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Celebration**
West Bloomfield Township's fifth annual diversity celebration, United We Walk, will take place on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. A program of speeches and songs and a 1.5 mile walk will take place, with refreshments served after the walk. Monday, Jan. 18, 9:15 a.m. West Bloomfield High School, West Bloomfield. Call (248) 539-2500.

• **Clintondale Adult Education Open House**
Those who wish to attend classes on GED preparation, hair culture, dental assisting, computer courses, medical office assisting and building trades are invited to an open house. A free health screening by the Macomb County Health Department is also available until 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 14, 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Clintondale Adult Education Center, Clinton Twp. Call (810) 790-2756.

Do you know of any upcoming community events? Please let us know. Outside Oakland Editor Kim Connell can be reached at (248) 370-4267

Auto show goes high-tech, interactive

By KIM CONNELL
Outside Oakland Editor

Auto-savvy persons from around the world flocked to Cobo Hall last weekend as the annual North American International Auto Show rolled into the Motor City.

Everyone from those in the auto business to the average driver were in attendance, hoping to catch a glimpse at the latest in automotive technology.

The cars were polished with delicate care, hoping an audience would be there. But unfortunately, the opening weekend turnout was at an all time low, compared to 102,000 attendees of last year.

The "Blizzard of '99", which swept through the northeastern United States, is blamed for the attendance drop. Heavy snow pileup and slick roads in Metro Detroit made it hard for many to get downtown.

"It was kind of dangerous driving here, but I wouldn't miss the auto show for anything," said Kevin Williams of Detroit, who has faithfully attended the auto show for the last five years.

Those who braved the weather for opening weekend surely got a treat at this year's show.

Over 700 automobiles, ranging from the practical to the bizarre, were presented by 40 international automakers, offering a glimpse into how the future of driving might be.

Putting the average autos aside, the show touted a new breed of automotive build. "Hybrid" vehicles, which have characteristics of both coupes and SUV's (sport utility vehicles) made their debut.

The shining silver Oldsmobile RECON concept car is a hybrid. With only two side doors like a coupe, yet a height and wheelbase just lower than an SUV, designers hope to attract both drivers who want the smaller size of a coupe and the horsepower and reliability of a truck.

Cadillac designers tried their hand at a sports vehicle for a change, producing the Evoq.

The Evoq looks like a Cadillac yet has the sleek, low-to-the-ground body of a Corvette.

Although there were many modern-looking auto designs on the floor, classic car buffs were not left out of the new car ogling. Familiar autos like the Ford Thunderbird and the Pontiac GTO once again hit the floor, with curving bodies and a 90s styling twist.

Environmentally friendly cars also got play at the show, with Ford displaying the THINK electric car



TOP: The 1999 Geo Tracker sits atop a giant map of the world.

RIGHT: The VW Beetle RSI is given a sporty look with a rear spoiler and souped up engine.

Post Photos / Kim Connell

marketed in Europe, and the P2000 SUV, which gets the equivalent of 70 mpg (miles per gallon).

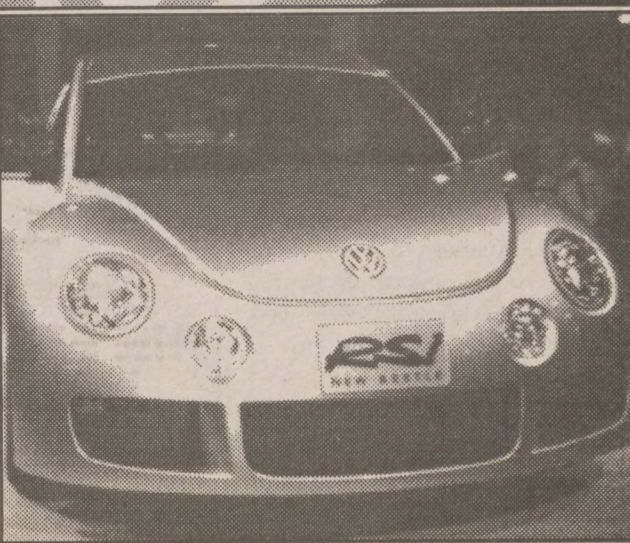
But the cars weren't the only innovations at this show. Multi-level displays stretched for the ceiling, with Ford's structure containing a 75 screen, wooden floored theatre on the second level.

Saab's display contained a giant 600,000 pound ice block, which symbolizes the company's Swedish heritage. At the Subaru display, a waterfall, real trees and shrubs, complete with chirping birds was the attraction.

Many displays were interactive this year, with most offering an instant connection to their company's website.

The Pontiac display had multiple computer terminals where visitors could customize their dream Pontiac.

Volkswagen, maker of the new Beetle which was chosen car of the year, had many interactive displays,



one in which audience members could try out for a VW commercial.

Lorna Salgado of Chicago, Ill. was picked to try out. "I'm really impressed by this... it was so much fun to do," she said.

Write to Outside Oakland Editor Kim Connell at Kaycee77@aol.com

Yourofsky sentencing set for March 1

By KRISTAL BYRD
Special Writer

A 12 to 18 month prison sentence is what OU alum Gary Yourofsky may soon face if convicted for the release of 1,500 minks in Canada last year. His trial has been set for March 1st.

Yourofsky, president of an animal rights organization called A.D.A.P.T.T. (Animals Deserve Adequate Protection Today and Tomorrow), was one of three activists arrested and charged in April 1997 with breaking and entering Eberts Fur Farm and mischief in Blenheim, Ontario.

After the arrest, Yourofsky said he had to endure the "horrible experience" of sitting in a crowded and smoky jail cell for ten days and attending bail hearings.

Yourofsky is still awaiting trial, now set for March 1st. If convicted, he says he will wage a 40 day hunger strike in which 80 supporters from 20 states will also participate.

Despite his looming trial, Yourofsky is still excited and fervent about his fight for animal rights. He says that "anyone one who feels strongly about a cause will do anything to fight for it".

Yourofsky denies media reports that setting free the minks was a vain effort.

"Out of 1,500 minks that were set free, only 12 died, and that was from being run over by the trucks of the farm when they tried to capture them," said Yourofsky.

Since the incident, Yourofsky and his organization continue to schedule other activist activities.

Most recently, A.D.A.P.T.T. held a protest at the International Minks Convention at the Sheraton West Hotel in Milwaukee on Jan. 9th. There were 80 participants from Texas, California, Minnesota and Michigan. None of the activists were arrested, according to Yourofsky.

Currently, Yourofsky is trying to get ordinances passed in Pontiac, Inkster and Detroit to stop the chaining of dogs outside homes. He feels strongly that

dogs belong inside the homes of their owners where they will be loved and cared for, instead of being chained outside, unprotected from harsh weather.

"I have seen so many dogs freeze to death because they were left outside in the cold," said Yourofsky.

Though some might argue that they keep their dog outside in order to keep their house clean, Yourofsky said that he's had years of experience with dogs and believes that if you train your dog right and you have bonded with it, you should not have that problem.

The new animal research facility at OU is another project A.D.A.P.T.T. is organizing to fight. Yourofsky said he believes that animal research for the sake of finding cures for human diseases is a total fraud. He said he has been discussing plans to protest with OU students.

Yourofsky believes that animal researchers at OU are only interested in winning grants in order to do more experiments, and to accumulate data which they don't even use.

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La Nina transforms Motown into "Snowtown"



Post Photo/Jenn Madjarov

SNOW-WHERE TO GO: Cars around Metro Detroit were buried under 15 or more inches.

Seth Wayne

First of all let me introduce myself. I'm Seth Wayne and I will be your new Oakland Post weather forecaster. Every Wednesday you will receive the current weather and your next four day forecast. You can also hear my forecast everyday on WXOU-88.3 FM during the "Weekday Update" news program at 4pm.

I'm a sophomore here at OU and new to the state of Michigan. Originally from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; I love the cold and snow and that is what brought me to beautiful Rochester. I am also a weather producer at WXYZ-Channel 7. I work with all of the meteorologists predicting and forecasting Michigan's tricky weather.

The big question everyone is ask-



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The big question everyone is asking...when will it all stop—the snow that is! This winter is hardly over thanks to a weather phenomena; La Nina.

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tern to change anytime soon. We have a few tough months still ahead of us however, the spring and summer long-range models are telling us that Mother Nature will calm down and bring us well-deserved beautiful weather.

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Sophomore Seth Wayne is a broadcast journalism major and Weather Forecaster for The Oakland Post. Write to him at sawayne@oakland.edu.

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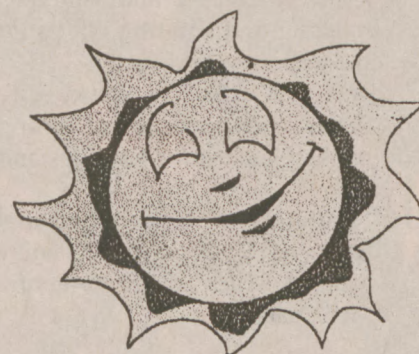
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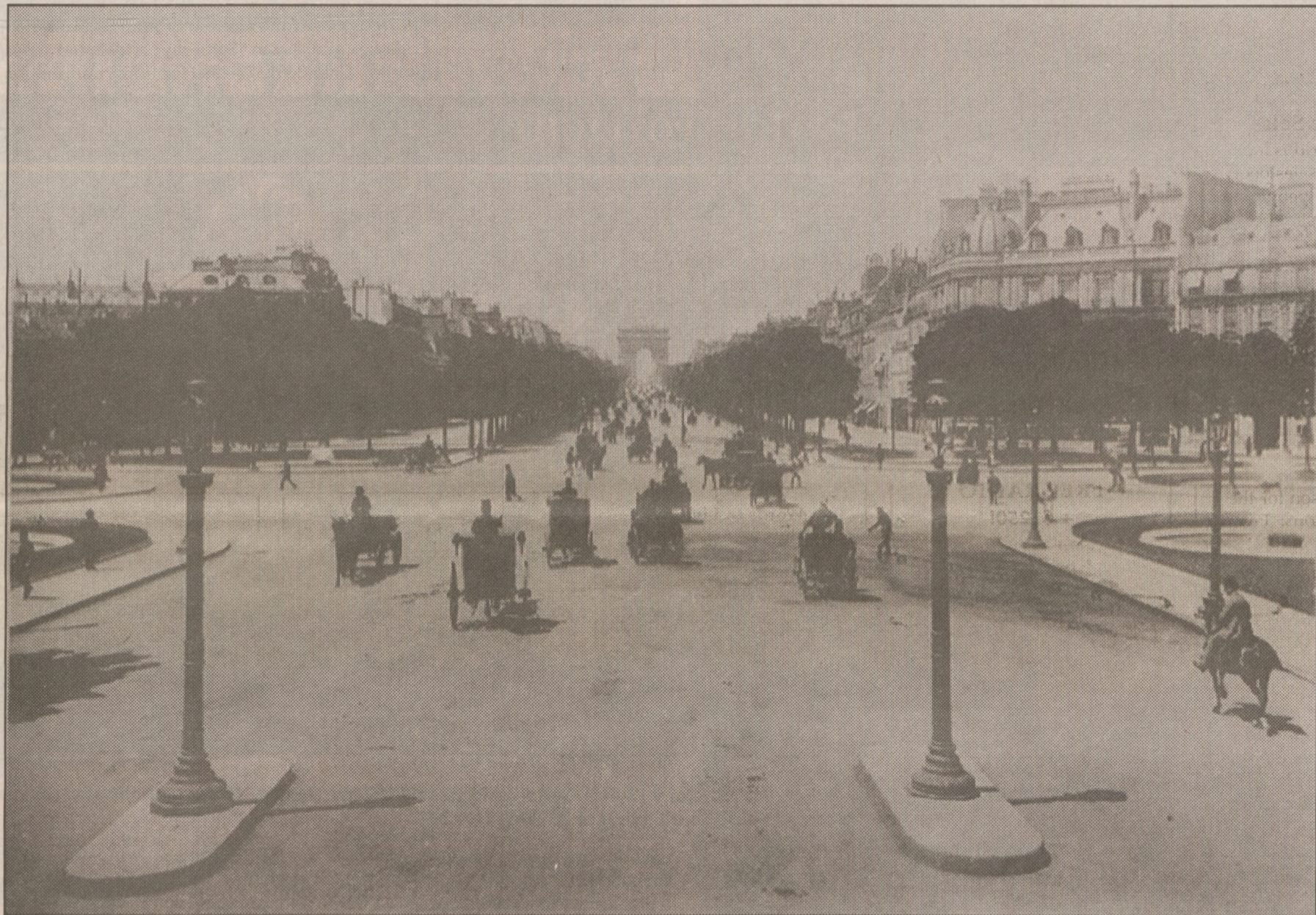
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MAY DAY: This 20th century photograph taken by Izis captures two locals selling lilies-of-the-valley for good luck on May Day.

Journey through Paris



STREET SCENE: Le Carre Marigny in Paris was bustling with life in the pre-automobile days. The Arch of Triumph looms in the distance.

By **KRYSTAL KALTZ**
Assistant Life Editor

Imagine Paris as it was before cars and modern technology came along. Meadow Brook Art Gallery is making it a little easier to get this mental picture with a new exhibit that opened Friday. "Picturing Paris, 1850 to the Present: Photographs from the Detroit Institute of Arts" is a collection drawn from the DIA's permanent collection.

The photographs are a traveling exhibit which will also be viewed in Traverse City, Midland and Marquette.

"We're excited to be on the DIA's traveling schedule," said Debra Watson, manager of the gallery. "This is the only exhibit that will take place in southeastern Michigan."

The exhibition portrays life in Paris from Napoleon III's renovations of the city in the 19th century to the excitement of night life in the 20th century.

The gallery, with the help of DIA staff, arranged the photographs in chronological order.

The transformation of the city from past to present is evident. The earlier pictures show dusty streets filled with horse drawn carriages and pedestrians. Later photographs show early model cars and convey a feeling of evolving technology.

The earliest photographs are mainly buildings and architecture, detailing the widespread renovation of the city's cobblestone streets and the restoration of historic monuments.

The exhibit is a mental trip in time from the "Second Empire" period to the modern French capital that is known today.

In the 20th century, people and action replaced buildings as the popular subjects for photography. The exhibit could even be viewed as an evolution in photography since the subject matter changed so drastically.

Curtis Glatter, music composition senior said, "I just got back from Europe and it's amazing how much things have changed."

These later photos give the viewer a glimpse of real people enjoying life as it was back then.

One example is the work entitled "Bistro in Les Halles" by Andre' Kertesz. This 1927 photograph shows some ordinary men laughing and enjoying a drink at a restaurant. The photographer did such a great job capturing the real life action, that you can almost hear the men laughing.

Another photograph shows the view when one is looking down from the top of the Eiffel Tower. Jacky Leow, art history senior, had the last day of her internship at the Gallery coincide with the opening day of this particular exhibition.

"I think it's very nice," she said. "In particular I like the early 20th century. The setup is very representative of the onset of photography to more modern pieces."

There will be a symposium on Sunday, Feb. 7, featuring three different speakers and a slide show in the gallery. The guest speakers include John B. Cameron, Professor of Art History and art collector; Wm. B. Becker, Photo Historian and Collector and William Messer, Photographer, Critic and Independent Curator.

Watson is excited about the symposium. "It should be very interesting," she said, "because it will consist of three different viewpoints."

Anyone interested in attending the symposium must RSVP by Feb. 3 by calling (248) 370-3005.

Krystal Kaltz



Resolutions don't matter...happiness does

The new year is here, the last one of the millenium, and everyone is determined to make it count.

Lately, I've heard a lot of the same old resolutions that people make every year.

And that should be a hint. Don't make resolutions you can't keep!

"I want to lose weight," "I need to save money," "I should be nicer to people," "I'm going to get better grades this semester."

My resolution? To try as hard as I can to be happy with what I already have, because there are a lot of people out there that don't have even half of what I do.

For example, I complain about difficult tests, bad professors and too much homework, but many people my age don't even get the chance to go to college.

I'm not model material. I don't wear a size zero in jeans. I don't have a perfect body. But at least I am healthy, and I don't look like Janet Reno or anything. I should be happy with who I am because looks don't matter, right? Right?

I open the cupboard and groan because there is nothing to eat, even though the shelves are full of things that many people would give their right arm to have.

I look in the closet and wish I had different clothes, even though what I have is just fine. How many people out there would cry tears of joy to have one of my warm fuzzy fleece sweatshirts?

So I have decided to be content with what I have and stop being such a spoiled brat.

My family and I began this resolution at Christmas time.

My parents and I decided to forgo the stress of the holiday season and run away to the Upper Peninsula.

So instead of trying to divide our time up between family and friends on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Eve, we drove up north, just the three of us, to be together for the holidays.

And it was wonderful. We didn't have to get up on Christmas Day, open our gifts in a hurry and then rush to get to Grandma's house.

Instead, we got up when we wanted, stayed in our pajamas, opened gifts, ate breakfast, and just spent all day together.

The most stressful thing I did was shovel snow off the lake so I could ice skate with my father.

It was perfect. It was exactly what the holidays are all about.

So I have decided to carry that feeling of contentment with the simple things over into the New Year, and hopefully for the rest of my life.

Here I am at the beginning of the new semester, resolving to go to aerobics at the rec center twice a week and keep up with my homework.

But somehow it's different. There isn't the pressure of the big bad NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION.

Instead, it's something I decided to do because I want to. It's something that will make me happy to do.

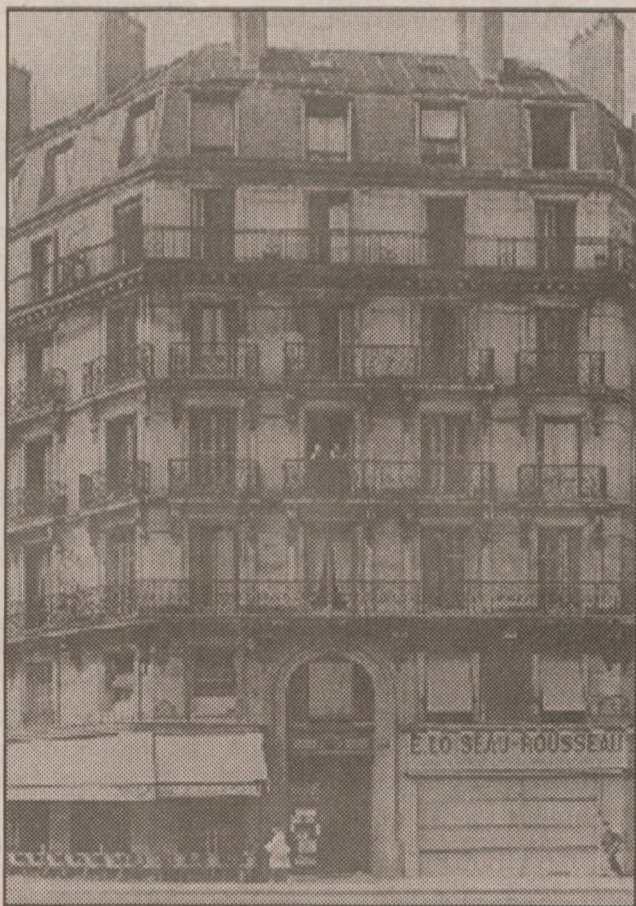
And happiness is what really matters, isn't it?

I've decided to open my eyes a little wider and realize that I already have all the happiness I can handle.

I just need to be more diligent in accepting that happiness for what it is.

But then again, I sure would like to have more money, lose a few extra pounds, and bring my grade point average up.

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



APRIL IN PARIS: This Gelatin Silver Print taken by Todd Webb in 1948 captures the elaborate architecture of France's beautiful capital city.

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- **All-Campus Unity March**, 11:30 a.m. Monday; First floor lobby in Vandenberg Hall. Call (248) 370-4285.
- **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration**, noon Monday; Pioneer Court. Call (248) 370-4285.
- **Candlelight Vigil**, 7 p.m. Monday; Gold Room A, OC. Call (248) 370-4285.
- **"Picturing Paris: 1850 to the Present,"** 1 - 5 p.m. Tuesday - Friday, 2 - 6:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday; Meadow Brook Art Gallery. Call (248) 370-3005.
- **"Having Our Say,"** 2 and 8 p.m. tonight, 8 p.m. Thursday, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Tuesday; Meadow Brook Theatre. Call (248) 370-4900.

THEATRE

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- **Chicago Rhythm and Blues Kings**, 10 p.m. Saturday; Amer's First Street Grill. Call (248) 645-6666.
- **Detroit Symphony Orchestra celebrates Martin Luther King, Jr.**, 3 p.m. Sunday; Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall. Call (313) 576-5100.
- **Detroit Symphony Orchestra: Brahms' "German Requiem,"** 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 8:30 p.m. Saturday; Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall. Call (313) 576-5100.

EXHIBITS

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MISCELLANEOUS

- **Creatively Managing Stress with Merrill Lundgren**, noon Tuesday; Southfield Public Library. Call (248) 948-0460.
- **Jim Carroll: Spoken Word**, 9 p.m. Friday, Magic Stick; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Blind Pig. Call (248) 645-6666.
- **Blackman & Arnold CD Release Party wsg Hideko Mills & Surrogate Earth**, 8 p.m. Saturday; Magic Bag. Call (248) 544-3030.

Equality theme of play, month

By BRIAN REINDEL
Assistant Web Editor

"I have a dream."

The power that embodies those famous words uttered by Martin Luther King Jr. is what helps make African-American History Month such an extraordinary time of year.

That same power is what theater patrons are to feel when they attend Meadow Brook Theatre's production of "Having Our Say," which is produced in celebration of the month of February (African-American History Month).

The book "Having Our Say," was written by the Delany sisters, two centenarian women who reminisce about their life experiences from the early 1900s until 1990. The story was then adapted for the stage by Emily Mann, and became an instant reminder of some of the harsh realities of America's early past, but with some quintessential comedic undertones.

Yet, the play does not aim to isolate the African-American community as the only minority that has had racial tensions in the past; instead, its objective this month is to make recognizable the fact that those atrocities still exist.

"The theater is dedicated to diversity in all degrees. All performances exude that. Diversity is manifested as part of our mission statement," says Debra L. Wicks, associate artistic director at MBT and director of "Having Our Say."

"We're choosing plays to show diversity of Oakland University — that show students the multicultural and multiethnic views of society," says Wicks.

But the director understands the specific struggle of African-Americans, and the importance in making specific racial tensions known to society.

"It shows a perspective on American history that they

(patrons) have rarely heard or seen. It is presentation-al theater at its best. The sisters are talking about problems from 1893 that are still represented today," says Wicks.

Audrey Morgan took on the challenge of recreating the character Bessie Delany. Morgan agrees with Wicks, and stands firmly behind the same ideal as did Bessie — namely, racial justice and the equal rights of African-Americans.

"Racism exists," says Morgan. "It hasn't gone away. It's reflected in a different way."

Morgan knows there are still stories to be told that Americans have not yet heard.

"People learn a lot of things that they never knew. Things are told in this play that history books are scared to admit," says Morgan.

But reflecting on the month, Morgan realizes her responsibilities span beyond just educating herself and others through one play or one month.

"I have a responsibility every month of the year. We (African-Americans) live every month of the year. The government allocates money for programs during this month, but they should do it every month so people can learn about the inequalities," says Morgan.

So as the month appears and disappears, it would be best to focus on the struggles of African-Americans and apply the lessons learned to all of society's struggles and injustices that happen every day.

Morgan realizes this can only be done through each person's own dedication.

"Everyone has their own agenda... It's up to the individual to realize what they should know and how they should live."

To learn more about the Delany sisters visit DaimlerChrysler's Website in their dedication, at <http://havingoursay-theplay.com/Home.html-ssi>

"Having Our Say," runs through Jan.31 at MBT, in



Photo Courtesy / Meadow Brook Theatre

TWO OF US: From top, Audrey Morgan and Sylvia Carter star in Meadow Brook Theatre's "Having Our Say," throughout this month.

Wilson Hall.

Performances are 8 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; 2 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday; 8 p.m. Friday; 6 and 8 p.m. Saturday; and 2 and 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Call (248) 370-4900 for ticket information.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Story told with laughter, tears

By ANDREA NOBILE
Life Editor

Sadie and Bessie Delany love to laugh. And that they do as the exclusive characters in Meadow Brook Theatre's latest, "Having Our Say."

But in between that laughter, a beautiful story gets told with poignancy, dignity, and eventually, a mighty good flow of tears - and much of those aren't even cried by the characters.

"Having Our Say," directed by MBT regular Debra L. Wicks, is a story of two sisters, Sarah "Sweet Sister Sadie" Delany (Sylvia Carter) and Elizabeth "Dr. Bessie" Delany (Audrey Morgan). Over the course of one afternoon, situated in their cozy and quiet home in New York state, the sisters prepare to celebrate their deceased father's birthday.

But soon, the audience learns that it's part of the family.

The Delany sisters, both over 100 and more energetic than ever, immediately break what the arts call "the fourth wall." They talk directly to the audience, spinning an engaging, emotional, often gut-wrenching story sprinkled with humorous one-liner gems to offset what could have played as pure sadness.



Photo Courtesy / Meadow Brook Theatre

SISTERLY LOVE: From left, Sadie Delany (Sylvia Carter) and Bessie Delany (Audrey Morgan), both over 100, reminisce, in Meadow Brook's Theatre's production of "Having Our Say."

"Having Our Say"

Living Legacy

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out of 4 points

One minute, you are laughing at a facial reaction Morgan conjures in response to her counterpart's words, and the next minute, genuine tears are forming in your eyes.

In a particularly convincing scene, in which Sadie remembers the day her Mother died, I couldn't help but hear a symphony of sniffles from within the audience.

At times, even I found myself com-

pletely wrapped up in their historical story.

By using the sisters' century of tales touching on slavery, segregation, Jim Crow and the Civil Rights Movement, playwright Emily Mann successfully educates the audience in the experiences of black women living in a racially tumultuous 20th century.

The playwright adapted the book of the same name the real-life Delany's wrote in 1992.

Yet, the characters, played by Carter and Morgan with a genuineness and vigor that hits your heart, never becoming preachy - call it clever edu-tainment with sharp humor and taut heart strings to match.

The actresses, who are obviously extremely far from reaching 100-years-old, are quite convincing as the elderly sisters. They both capture the pace and posture of the elderly with a conviction that, thankfully, lasts the entire play.

Comparing and contrasting the two actresses would be impossible - the saying "you are only as good as your fellow actor," couldn't ring any louder here. By the end, after learning so much about these sisters and their lives, it almost feels like we've become a true part of the family.

And even through laughter and tears, that just ain't a bad place to be—the Delany's tale feels just like home.

Students opinions vary concerning resolutions

By PAM HENDRIX
Staff Writer

The New Year struck OU with a vengeance. A foot of freshly fallen, unsoiled snow covered campus, marking the beginning of a New Year.

It is a year that begins without mistakes, and offers the chance to change unwanted aspects in life.

Making a New Year's resolution is not a priority for most people. In 1998 the Marist College Institute for Public Opinion compiled a survey of 922 adults age 18 and older, in the continental U.S. According to this survey 62% of Americans don't make New Year's resolutions.

Several OU students agreed with the survey.

"It is just another day on the calendar, it is not special. I don't believe in making resolutions," said Dean Ridder graduate student, education.

Sarah Rhodes, anthropology senior, said, "I make the same resolution each year. That is not to make a resolution I know I won't keep."

Although most people don't make resolutions each year, many people reflect on the past year, and contemplate the upcoming one.

These reflections increase the chance of change occurring during the year, with or without a formal resolution.

The results of the Marist survey show that of the 38% of Americans who did make a resolution, they were 30 years of age or younger.

They reported that they are likely to turn over a new leaf in the New Year.

An informal survey of 20 OU students, and staff showed that health is a high priority on their list of New Year's resolutions.

"This year I plan to lose 30 pounds. My dying father said I was fat," said David Vartanian, internal audit director.

Bo Bezeau, biochemistry freshman said, "I want to get to the gym at least twice a week."

Ryan Bean, physical therapy freshman said, "I want to eat healthier, work out more, and do better in school. So far I am at 100%."

Dave DeAngelo of the recreation center staff said, "This year I would like to exercise three times a week, clean the bathroom, and keep the car neat."

Nick Harrington, a sophomore in Human Relations expressed his thoughts and resolutions for the New Year. "I hope to understand, and utilize my potential. I want to study more, become physically fit, and financially secure. I was on a roller coaster ride last year, and lacked the motivation, and drive to push myself. This year I have gotten more into my spiritual life, and hope to be more successful."

The Marist survey showed that of the Americans that did make a resolution

Making It Count

Here's the top five New Year's Resolutions for Americans:

1. Spend less money
2. Stop smoking
3. Lose weight
4. Exercise more
5. Eat healthier

Data Courtesy / Marist College Institute for Public Opinion

last year, 52% of them kept it.

If resolution making isn't your bag, Deborah Peck, senior Medical Lab Science has an alternative idea. "I don't wait till the end of a year, I decide daily what changes to make in my life."

GET OUT

Magic Bag brews movies, more

By DIANE FRKAN
Staff Writer

Tired of spending high prices to see a movie? Lately a few entertainment establishments are offering their version of a night at the movies.

The State theater located on Woodward in downtown Detroit and the Magic Bag also on Woodward in Ferndale are two places that are offering this.

The Magic Bag calls their night at the movies, "Brew & View." For \$2 cover it's a low price that can't be beat.

But not just any movies are shown. According to Jeff Goodstein, general manager for the Magic Bag, current movies are chosen that were seen in the last six months and generated high numbers at the box office.

Also, classic films, comedies and new

classics, like "Austin Powers" and movies that are in good taste as well any movie a group of friends would want to see are shown.

Goodstein also mentioned that movies are shown that one would want to watch while socializing with others at the same time.

"It's the most fun and unique movie watching experience in the Metro Detroit area," he said.

The Magic Bag also offers food and drinks at inexpensive prices and a relaxed fun atmosphere for movie goers.

Currently "Brew & View" is every Wednesday and Thursday night, with doors opening at 8 p.m. and the movie showing at 9:30 p.m. Movies are subject to change.

Lisa Martino, promotions director,

mentioned that "Brew & View" has become very popular and that there is a mixture of people who attend. She said crowds very with what is being screened.

Martino added that the crowd is well-behaved, and wherever you sit, you can see the movie.

When Jeremy Haberman, owner, purchased the Magic Bag in April of 1996, it went under a major renovation which included removing the seats and putting in four-tier style seats with tables which allows unobstructed viewing wherever a person sits.

According to Haberman, the sounds are also great because the Magic Bag is a former movie theater from the 1950's and a film house in the 1970's.

However, by the mid 1980's, the theater showed X-rated films, until its close

in the late 1980s. In 1990, it reopened as the Magic Bag Theater Cafe, housing bands and other musical acts.

The first movie shown under new ownership, was "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" on April 17th, 1996.

"We have some of the best musicians that play here and the best movies shown. It's very interactive and we have a strong, loyal crowd that attends the Magic Bag," said Haberman.

The Magic Bag is located at 22920 Woodward in Ferndale, one mile from I-696 or I-75 north at nine mile. Well-lit parking is available behind the Magic Bag. Call (248) 544-3030 for event information, or visit them on the web, at www.themagicbag.com

For a list of this week's features, see our calender of current events on B2.

Mike
Murphy



Take a break from
work, school; just
get out!

We need to get out, because OU is not a normal school.

Yes, there are plenty of commuter schools out there. And many of them have a small dorm population. But OU is different. Here, we're all working.

In class last week, one of my professors asked for a show of hands.

He wanted to know how many "professional" students were in class — students who took classes and didn't work on or off campus. That didn't work at all. Out of a class of 40 students, two hands raised.

Most of us work full time AND go to school, which is not unlike trying to fit a small elephant into a large thimble.

We spend half our time studying, half working, half in class and half commuting — you're right, it doesn't add up. Students at other schools don't do this.

They take classes and maybe — maybe — work a part-time job for spending money.

But even this breed — the "true, professional students" — are endangered.

It's not a cheap world, and consider yourself extremely fortunate (let's repeat that: extremely fortunate) if your parents or a scholarship are funding your collegiate educational venture.

Most college students have to work to afford to have fun.

Nearly all of us at OU have to work just to stay in school. And it's a shame. We're being cheated out of the most priceless of all jewels: time.

I may sound straight out of Hallmark here, but this really is a unique time in our lives.

College is the one last time we'll be surrounded by so many people our age, alike in proximity but so different in interest.

In our University years, we pack so much life into so little time. It's one of the few places that we, as human beings, get from "here" to "there," in life.

It's childhood's end, the last stop on the tour of youthful fancy, our immaturity's valiant last stand against the real world.

So much life crammed (remember that elephant?) in so little time.

What a shame to waste a minute.

Which is why we need to make the most of our free time. The fickle finger of fiscal fate points us students in the sad direction of working til we drop, studying until we puke, and stumbling through our college years in a daze until we cross the stage and graduate — not ever having what our parents call "the college experience."

That's where this section comes in. We will be your tour guides on your safari in the hunt for this "experience."

In "Get Out," you'll be exposed to a plethora of places to visit, events to attend and media to consume in this golden spare time we all covet.

If we do our job, you'll track down and capture that elusive collegiate dream and take it home, have it stuffed on your wall — next to your diploma.

Yes, one day, we want you to be able to tell your kids that you went to Oakland University, held two jobs, had four classes, drove an hour-plus a day and still found time to have the time of your life.

You're in college. Fun itself is precious. We can't have quantity, so we've got to have quality. Let us help you get out.

Read on, enjoy, and live. You get one shot at your young adulthood. Make it count.

Senior Mike Murphy is a journalism major and a staff writer for THE OAKLAND POST.

MUSIC TO YOUR EARS

Folkie DiFranco grooves her way

By ANDREA NOBILE
Life Editor

It's not every day that the opening act elicits more heartfelt yells of joy from a concert crowd than the headliner.

Some kind of notion just like that grabbed the crowd at Ani DiFranco's appearance as opening act to legendary folk artist Bob Dylan last summer at Pine Knob Music Theater in Clarkston.

DiFranco's fans are just those kind of people. Their passion, known to true fans as "The Li'l Old Folksinger," is a truly independent and decidedly feminist folk artist with funk in her veins.

Yet she has never had a hit single played on the radio, and she doesn't rely on a major label for distribution.

Those are the big-wigs in the entertainment industry that her company, Righteous Babe Records, calls "six mammoth corporations (controlling) the production and distrubution of eighty percent of the country's music."

Even after her first album debuted in 1990 — self-produced and sold out of her hand-painted car at small gigs — DiFranco couldn't be tempted by corporate rock.

Offers poured in, all wanting to represent the twentysomething that The New York Times has described as "... a hard-strumming acoustic guitarist whose words rush out like passionate conversation."

But DiFranco wanted artistic control — this was her music, with all her controversial feelings and political views strummed out for the world to hear. So instead, she formed RBR, which releases her twelfth effort, "Up Up Up Up Up," this Tuesday, Jan. 19.

This album is the kind you put on when you want something quiet, yet thought-provoking.

DiFranco's soft-spoken lyrics, in songs like "Tis of thee," and the title track,

"Up Up Up Up Up Up" Ani DiFranco



out of 4 points

hardly ever reach decibels above a whisper. Yet the issues she addresses in much of her music, like the war on drugs, poverty, divorce and the sorry state of society, are edgier than ever.

The end track is her only venture from quiet strumming, a little wurllitzer music, and breathy renditions.

Actually the best song on the 11-track CD, this more than 12 minute funkfest, "Hat Shaped Hat," was created during a lengthy jam session with DiFranco and associates. It creates a welcome spontaneity not heard earlier on.

This album comes just on the critically-applauded heels of last January's released, "Little Plastic Castle," which has sold about 250,000 copies to date — pretty good for an artist who has never had an MTV video.

DiFranco relies heavily on word-of-mouth to sell her records. Fans usually come in tight-knit group of the closest friends.

They're just those kind of passionate and supportive people. They sing all the words to all her songs at concerts. They're not just waiting for that one hit song that got them to buy the ticket. They're loyal.

DiFranco's has also been helped with her appearances on movie soundtracks, like "She's the One," and "The Jackal."

You probably know this one well also — her rather un-DiFranco-esque, sugar sweet "Wishin' and Hopin'," off the "My Best Friend's Wedding" soundtrack, opens the film.



Photo Courtesy / Righteous Babe Records

GOING UP: Ani DiFranco's new CD "Up Up Up Up Up Up" relies on fan fascination to take it to the top. It will be available in stores Tuesday.

DiFranco Discography

Here's just a choice few of the political and potent artist's other albums, beginning with her debut almost nine years ago:

- "Ani DiFranco" - 1990
- "Puddle Dive" - 1993
- "Not a Pretty Girl" - 1995
- "Dilate" - 1996
- "Little Plastic Castle" -1998

FOR YOUR ENTERTAINMENT

TELEVISION

Try something new this week, like a drama about a love god, or a little bit of Marky Mark.

• "Cupid," a quirky comedy-drama, starring Jeremy Piven ("Ellen"), aims to steal a heart of NBC's Thursday audience, at 9 p.m. on ABC.

• "Boogie Nights," Paul Thomas Anderson's engaging saga of the hey-day and eventual death of the adult film industry, makes its television debut Saturday, at 8 p.m., on HBO.

• "Selma, Lord, Selma," a tv-movie about the civil rights movement, premeiers Sunday at 7 p.m. on ABC's "The Wonderful World of Disney."

FILM

This Friday's openings feature everything from a former Batman to a teeny-bopper television hunk.

• "At First Sight," stars Val Kilmer as a blind man who regains his sight, and sets his eyes on Oscar-winner Mira Sorvino.

• "Varsity Blues," with "Dawson's Creek" leading hunk James Van Der Beek, and Jon Voight deals with the pressures of high school football in Texas.

• "In Dreams," starring Annette Benning and Robert Downey Jr., spins a haunting story of a woman tortured when her dreams become reality.

MUSIC

Some of these releases come out Tuesday, while others debuted earlier this year.

• "Up Up Up Up Up Up," indie folk-funker Ani DiFranco's twelfth release, brings a big variety of instruments to her patented guitar and vocals sound.

• "14:59," by pop-rockers Sugar Ray, their third album, attempts to prove that three times the charm.

• "Flesh on My Flesh, Blood on My Blood," by DMX, released before Christmas, continues to top R&B sales lists this week, as another rap guru off the potent DefJam label.

VIDEO

Your local video store is just starting to trickle in this summer's highest-profile releases.

• "The Truman Show," Jim Carrey's much-discussed (and quite successful) shot at drama, became one of the highest-grossing films of the summer.

• "54," about the exclusive New York hotspot, Studio 54, employs today's hottest up-and-comers, like Ryan Phillippe, Salma Hayek and Neve Campbell.

• "Wilde," the deliciously sordid life story of Irish writer Oscar Wilde, stars Stephen Fry and Jude Law.

African-American Celebration Month**January 18 - February 18, 1999****"Artistic Expressions of African American Life and History"**

Monday, January 18 - - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Day
 ABS Campus March * 11:30 a.m.-Noon * First Floor, Vandenberg Hall
 MLK, Jr. Birthday Celebration * Noon-1:00 p.m. * Pioneer Court, OC
 Candlelight Vigil * 7:00 p.m. * Gold Room A, OC

Tuesday, January 19
 Play: Having Our Say" * 8:00 p.m. * Meadow Brook Theatre

Thursday, January 21
 Panel Discussion: "Breaking into the Business" * 11:00 a.m.-Noon * Fireside Lounge, OC
 The Diversity Career Fair * Noon-3:00 p.m. * Oakland Center

Monday, January 25
 "Jammin' to the Motown Sounds" * 11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m. * Pioneer Court, OC

Thursday, January 28
 Nationally Acclaimed Speaker: Nikki Giovanni * 3:00 p.m. * Meadow Brook Theatre
 Movie: "Higher Learning" * 8:00 p.m. * 201 Dodge Hall

Friday, January 29
 Film Documentaries about Detroit: "Borderline: The Story of 8 Mile Road" and "The Hudson's Building"
 8:00 p.m. * 201 Dodge Hall

Tuesday, February 2
 La Pittura Art Show * All Day * Gold Room B, OC
 Artistic Expression of Greek Colors * Noon-1:00 p.m. * Rooms 129-130, OC

Wednesday, February 3
 Diversity Awareness Trivia Challenge * Noon-1:00 p.m. * Fireside Lounge, OC

Thursday, February 4
 Nationally Acclaimed Speakers: Tuskegee Airmen * Noon-1:30 p.m. * 201 Dodge Hall
 Play: "Death and the King's Horseman" * 8:00 p.m. * Varner Studio Theatre, Varner Hall
 (Also Playing February 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14)

Monday, February 8
 African-American Contributions to Arts and Literature * Noon-1:00 p.m. * Gold Room A, OC

Wednesday, February 10
 Male Fashion Extravaganza * 7:00 p.m. * Gold Rooms A-B, OC

Thursday, February 11
 Health Awareness Day and Bone Marrow Drive * 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. * Fireside Lounge, OC
 Soul Food Extravaganza * 7:00-10:00 p.m. * Oakland Room, OC

Friday, February 12
 Showcase of Talent and Art Exhibit * 7:00 p.m. * Gold Rooms, OC

Tuesday, February 16
 Historical Drum, Dance and Step Program * 7:00 p.m. * Varner Recital Hall, Varner Hall

Wednesday, February 17
 Male/Female Conference * 6:00-10:00 p.m. * Rooms 126-130, Oakland Room, OC
 African-American Mock Wedding * 8:00-9:00 p.m. * Gold Rooms A-B, OC

Thursday, February 18
 "Keeper of the Dream" Banquet * 6:00 p.m. * Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion

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He cited one instance where the Shriner Burn Institute of Cincinnati allegedly dipped live beagles into kerosene and set them on fire to find ways to save human burn victims.

Yourofsky suggests alternatives to animal research such as using computer models, simulators and performing autopsies on humans who have died from diseases.

Even though, the fight for animal rights

seems impossible, Yourofsky believes that just as women and minorities have received their rights, animals will too.

"I'm hoping this will happen at least 20 years from now," he said.

Yourofsky claims he is even willing to die trying.

"If you don't believe in something enough to die for it, then you're not fit to live," he added, quoting Martin Luther King, Jr.

If anyone is interested in more information on A.D.A.P.T.T., contact Gary Yourofsky by email at dogmaday@aol.com.

Read next week's edition of
THE OAKLAND POST for many new
 and exciting features.

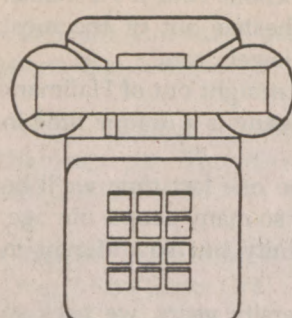
Oakland University**Howard Hughes Medical Institute
 Summer Undergraduate Research Program**

Ten research fellowships in excess of \$9,000 each will be awarded in a two-year undergraduate program in **Biological Communication**. The stipend for the period of June 1 - August 20, 1999, will be \$3,000. Oakland University sophomores or juniors who are contemplating careers in biological/biomedical research or science teaching are eligible to apply. Students will be matched with faculty mentors and will develop skills in problem solving, experimental design, instrumentation, data analysis, written communication, and oral presentation/discussion in small and large group settings.

Application deadline: February 12, 1999

**For Information and
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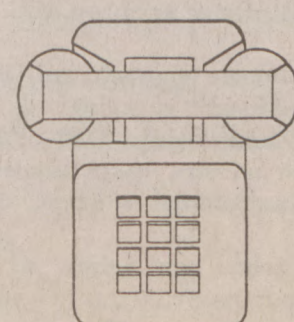
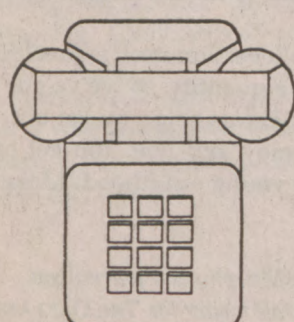
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SPORTS

Time to hit the slopes



Post Photos/Kelli Petrove

READY TO GO: (above) Skiers ride the lifts to the top of the highest hill at Pine Knob. (right) Young skier lends a pole to help a friend up the hill.

By **KELLI PETROVE**
Assistant Sports Editor

Snowflake lovers asked for snow, and boy did they get it. It's been over 20 years since the Metro Detroit area has had winter conditions like this.

Non-enthusiasts see it as an inconvenience and a major problem, but skiers and snowboarders see it as a long awaited gift.

With the past ski season seeing little snow and too much rain during above normal temperatures, skiers have been patiently, or not so patiently, waiting for an opportunity to dig out their wax and sharpen their skis and head to the slopes.

Their opportunity has come and the only problem now could be driving safely to the area slopes. However, for most skiers the road conditions do not stand in the way.

On January 4, the day after Mother Nature dumped 12 inches of snow on southeastern Michigan, Mt. Holly was not necessarily jam packed with people, but the lines for the lifts showed that the snow and ice covered roads didn't keep everyone at home. Those dedicated to the sport of skiing were there waiting for a lift to the top of the hill.

In fact, poor road conditions closed many businesses and gave working people and opportunity to leave the office and go home to grab their skis.

After sophomore David Foley's work place was closed early on Sunday the first thing on his mind was skiing.

"The first thing I thought of when work got out was going skiing," Foley said. "I haven't been able to ski for two years."

By 7 p.m. Foley was on the hills jumping mogels.

"I've been skiing for years, ever since I was a little kid," Foley said.

Skiing and snowboarding appeals to people of all ages. From the four year olds tagging along behind their parents to the older pros that parallel back and forth, skiing is a sport that is not limited by age.

Young and old alike are taking advantage of the fresh snow blanketing the area.

Ski areas and resorts have been packed with business and the fresh snow has allowed all the trails to be open.

With many places to ski not too far away, OU students are in a prime location to head off in any direction.

Pine Knob is about a 25 minute drive away and you can reach Mt. Holly in under 45 minutes. Mt. Brighton takes a mere 30 minute drive.

For those with no skiing experience, lessons are offered on skis or snowboards, you can enjoy either one-on-one lessons with an instructor or group lessons.

Snowboarding is also growing popularity, surprisingly not only among teenagers.

At Pine Knob a women in her thirties tried out the snowboard for the first time.

"I've always skied, but this is my first time on a snowboard," Pine Knob



Post Photo/Kelli Petrove

ARRIVAL POINT: As you enter Pine Knob you would never know there was a place to ski, that is, until you walk through these gates.

patron Lauren Willis said. "I think I should take a lesson."

Lessons at Pine Knob are offered during the week at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Weekend lessons are offered at 11 a.m., and lessons are always offered at 5, 6 and 7 p.m.

Lessons range in price from \$10 for beginner group lessons, and \$30 an hour for private lessons. Those interested in snowboard lessons will pay the same \$30 an hour for private lessons. A block

of six private lessons may be purchased for the discounted price of \$150.

Blue Mountain Resorts in Ontario, Canada offers lessons at a slightly higher price. Skiers interested in an hour of private lessons will pay \$38, as will snowboarders. Four private lessons are offered for \$129. However, a discount is offered for two skiers interested in taking lessons together, they will pay a total \$45 for an hour of instruction.

Spencer Lake is frozen, ready for winter sports

By **KELLI PETROVE**
Assistant Sports Editor

The cold front that swept through the state opened the winter sports season in Michigan for ice skating and ice fishing enthusiasts can participate in their favorite winter sports.

Spencer Park in Rochester Hills announced on Friday that the lake was ready for action.

"The ice is safe and the park is now open," said Chuck Algren, park ranger. The only downfall to this season at Spencer Park is that the old boathouse that served as a warming house was

destroyed by an arson fire last year.

That means there will be no food or hot cocoa this year. Visitors should keep this in mind, dress warmly and bring plenty of warm beverages.

Ice sports are not the only activities offered at the park. Cross country skiing is also available but skiers must bring their own equipment because the rental skis were also destroyed in the fire.

Not far from Spencer is 200 acre Bloomer Park that also offers a variety of cross country trails. However, for the non skiers, Bloomer offers many sledging runs as well.

SPB once again sells out weekend ski trip

By **KELLI PETROVE**
Assistant Sports Editor

This year's abundance of snow has made for great skiing conditions for the annual Student Program Board ski trip and the trip already sold out all 57 openings.

The popularity of the event has allowed for improvements in transportation and also allowed more spots to be open for the trip.

The 57 travelers, mostly OU students, will be traveling in a luxury charter bus instead of the vans that have made the trip in previous years.

"A lot of students from the dorms take advantage of this trip," senior SPB chair lecture and special events Brian Potter said.

Mountain/Shanty Creek near Traverse City, MI, on January 22 and return the 24.

Cost of the trip is \$125 for OU students and \$185 per guest. The cost covers transportation, lodging, three meals and lift tickets.

Although this year's trip is sold out, students are advised sign up early November and arrangements should be made immediately after posting of the trip.

Kelli
Petrove



*Snow is here,
and with it came
winter sports*

I dreamt of a white Christmas, but the snow didn't come. Oh sure a few flakes floated in the air, but nothing compared to the snow I remembered on Christmas mornings when I was a kid.

Instead, we had a white New Year's Day. And, with the overload of snow comes a chance to engage in winter sports. Not that this really excited me at all, because I absolutely hate to be cold, but my boyfriend thought the chance to go skiing was the best thing that could ever happen.

So, grudgingly I agreed to trek up to Mt. Holly for my first ski trip. I bundled myself up in three pairs of pants, two shirts, two pairs of socks and a huge ski jacket. Not to mention the gloves, scarf and hat that also attempted to keep the heat in.

We met our friends who also had no prior skiing experience, but who wanted to ski, unlike myself.

After paying for the lift ticket and ski rental I realized the fun had just begun. As I struggled to get the extremely unattractive ski boots onto my already freezing feet, I knew I was in trouble. I was afraid to put the skis on because then I knew the next step was to throw myself down a hill with them strapped to my feet.

After everyone was bundled up and strapped into their skis we made our way to the first hill. This was a definite challenge for me, because walking with two big sticks on my feet was more difficult than I thought it could be. After I got the hang of it, my boyfriend gave the three of us newcomers to the sport some last minute advice on stopping and turning. We then made our way up the bunny hill.

At this point, I was beginning to wonder why people did this. Was it fun, a thrill or were people just crazy. I thought I was pretty crazy on the way up.

We didn't use a normal ski lift we went up a rope that about ripped my arm out of its socket. Once we got to the top I was scared to death. Everyone else was having a good time, laughing and enjoying themselves. I was paralyzed in fear.

As I watched my friends take their first trip down the slopes my skis began to slip and soon I was making my way down towards them. I passed little kids who definitely had more skills than I did. About half way down, as I struggled to slow my speed, I began to wobble back and forth, and my friends all screamed instructions at me as I tumbled into the snow.

I laid on the ground and realized that if I could stay on my feet this sport would be great. I was smiling while I was on my feet, but now, as I lay on the ground I was trying to figure out how to get up.

After about five attempts and a few more falls I made it to my feet and the rest of the way down the hill. I loved it. I made it down my first hill, and I hadn't broke my neck or even my leg. I wanted to do it again. I loved the fact that I wasn't cold and that I had lived.

As the night went on, I learned to turn and eventually even how to stop. We had given up on the small hill and had moved to a steeper one and all was going well until half way down when I ended up flipping in about six circles and losing a ski.

Even after my fall which I thought would've killed me, I realized something. Skiing is fun. Skiing is a thrill. And yes, you have to be a little crazy to do it. But I guess I am crazy cause I can't wait to go back.

Junior Kelli Petrove is a journalism major and the Assistant Sports Editor for THE OAKLAND POST.

Planning a day of skiing? Check this out first

• **Pine Knob - (248) 625 - 0800**
Three feet of man made snow with a covering of groomed natural snow. All runs are open with five chair lifts and five rope tows. Lift fees are as follows: Weekdays: \$21 Weekends: \$26. Rental fees are \$17 for ski equipment and \$28 for snowboard equipment (picture ID required for rental).

• **Mt. Holly - (248) 634 - 8260**
20-42 inch base of snow with a covering of groomed natural snow. Seven chair lifts and six tow ropes serve the 17 trails. Lift fees are \$21 and \$16 for rope tow only. Rental fees are \$17 for ski equipment and \$28 for snowboard equipment (picture ID required for all rentals).

• **Brighton - (810) 229 - 9581**
38 inch base of snow with groomed natural snow. Six chairs lifts serve their trails. A break for grooming occurs daily between 5 and 6 p.m. Lift fees are \$18 and \$14 for a rope tow only pass. Rental fees are \$18 for ski equipment and \$28 for snowboard equipment (credit card required for rental).

• **Blue Mt. - (734) 721 - 2247**
Located in Ontario, Canada. Three feet of man made snow and 30 cm of natural groomed snow. 15 lifts and 37 trails served by lift fees of \$38 for day and \$22 for night sessions. All day tickets are \$44. Rental fees are \$24 for ski equipment and \$34 for snowboard equipment. Discounted night rental.

Men fall to VU in final minutes

By ZVONKO BLAZESKI
Staff Writer

OU played equally to Valparaiso for the majority of the game but the Crusaders had too much for the Golden Grizzlies on this occasion, beating OU 76-72 in an exciting and entertaining game.

The Golden Grizzlies fought hard throughout Thursday nights' game but Valparaiso, a team that went to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament last season, proving to be too much for the the Golden Grizzlies.

The 2,671 fans were rocking during this key Mid-Continent Conference match-up.

The OU players were impressed with the crowd.

"The crowd pumped us up," said Brad Buddenborg.

Myke Thom echoed Buddenborg's sentiments. "The energy we saw in the gym was outstanding- we really appreciated it."

Valparaiso and OU traded baskets early in the game.

Valparaiso scored the first basket. The Crusaders' Zoran Viskovic scored off a rebound to give Valparaiso an early 2-0 lead.

The Golden Grizzlies took the lead on Brad Buddenborg's three pointer at 13:05 but the

OU	72
VU	76

Crusaders came back to tie the game at 13.

OU went on a 5-0 run to take a lead 18-13 lead.

After a Valparaiso bucket, Sean Carlson scored a basket and was fouled converting his free-throw for a three-point play to make the score 21-15.

Jason Rozycki added to the Grizzlies lead when he hit a triple to give the Grizzlies a nine point lead at 24-15.

The Crusaders came back with a 5-0 run to keep themselves in the game.

Buddenborg's basket upped the Golden Grizzlies lead to 26-20 with 6:44 remaining in the first half.

Valparaiso cut the lead to 26-23 before Myke Thom hit a three pointer to put the Golden Grizzlies up 29-23.

After that visiting Crusaders surged to a 11-0 run to take a 34-29 lead.

With only 2.5 seconds left before half, Jason Rozycki made two freethrows to keep the Grizzlies within three, at 34-31.

In the second half, OU continued to battle hard.

Buddenborg's three cut Valparaiso's lead to two at 36-34 but then OU found themselves trailing 45-36 in the second half.

OU stormed back on a 18-3 run to take a 53-48 lead.

Valparaiso closed back to within one point before Thom dropped one of his four three pointers to give the Grizzlies a 59-55 lead.

Valparaiso's Terrance Price tied the game up at 64 with only 5:05 left in the game.

Valparaiso hit another streak to take a 74-66 lead late in the game.

The Golden Grizzlies mounted a last attack that put them within four before time expired.

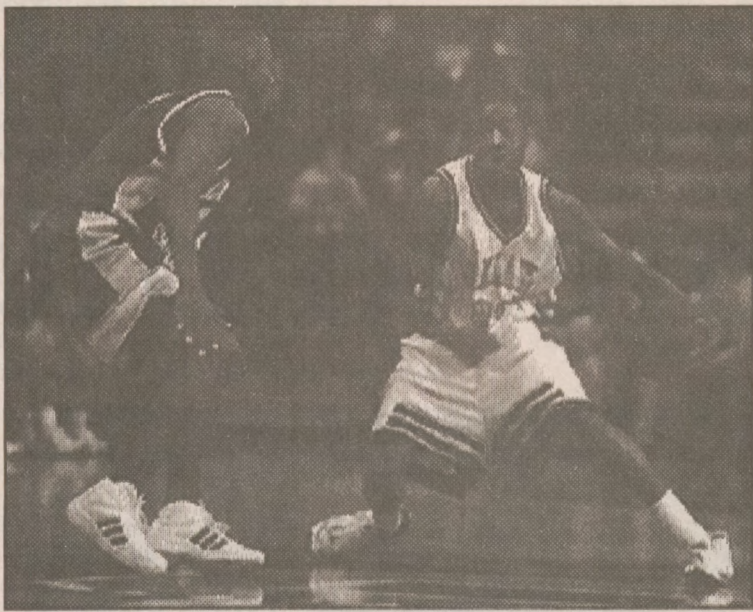
Leading the Golden Grizzlies attack was Buddenborg with 16 points. Rozycki poured in 15 rebounds and Thom added 14.

The Golden Grizzlies hit a total of 12 three pointers in the game.

The Golden Grizzlies finished the week off with a 68-61 victory at Chicago State University.

Buddenborg led all scores with 28 points. Rozycki added 13 and Dan Champaigne poured in 10.

Mychal Covington added five assists and played excellent defense against Chicago State's best



PICTURE PERFECT: Looking for a hole, freshman Mychal Covington looks to beat his Loyola of Chicago defender in the Golden Grizzlies 81-80 victory over the break.

Post Photo/Bob Knoeka

player, in the Golden Grizzlies victory. The win improved OU's record to 5-10 for the year.

The Golden Grizzlies host Oral Roberts University on Thursday.

Covington is confident entering the Oral Roberts game.

"We are ready to play. We need a big home victory."

Grizzly Gals foul out against VU

By RAMEZ KHURI
Special Writer

OU's Women's basketball team had their work cut out for them as they hosted Valparaiso University at the O'rena Thursday night.

Junior Courtney Ruffing led all scores with 23 points, senior Tamika Bates finished with 22 and freshman Sarah Judd had 11 in the losing effort for OU.

"We need to pick up the defense, and offensively I just need to hit my shots," said Teresa Tallenger, the starting center for OU.

Coach Beckie Francis said, "For the next game I would like to see improvement in the beginning because we didn't play as hard as we did in the second half."

Francis added that her team is handling the tran-

sition from Division II to Division I "very well."

Amber Schober scored 17 points, Sarrah Stricklett scored 14, and Lisa Winter added 10 for Valparaiso who improved their record to seven wins and seven losses.

With about four minutes left in the game, Junior Sara Skutt fell down hard on her back. When asked if she will be ready for the next game, Francis replied, "We don't know yet, she has been nursing her back every game anyway, she has not been practicing, she is just playing the games as it is, so every time she hits the floor she re-injures and re-injures it, so she's game to game and day to day anyway."

The final score of Thursday's game was Valparaiso 75 and OU 67.

The next home game for the women is January 14, against Oral Roberts University at 5:15 p.m.

OU	67
VU	75

FOR THE STRETCH: Sophomore, forward Tamika Bates reaches to beat the Valparaiso players to the basket. Bates finished the game with one of the highest total-points scored, 22 points, in the game for the Golden Grizzlies.



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Spotlight on the Black & Gold

SARAH JUDD
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



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Nicknamed "Pepper" by her family, she has been playing basketball since the age of nine and dribbled her way up to the college level.

Sara Judd, freshman, came to OU because "I knew a couple of people on the team from before, and I liked the coaches."

With her potential in scoring abilities added in with her ability to be an inside and outside player, Judd was a highly recruited player. OU beat out a lot of MAC schools to get Judd.

One way OU scored was that Judd wanted a challenge.

"With the move to Division I, I thought it would of been more of a challenge," she said.

But, Judd had a bigger challenge ahead of her.

A graduate from Regina High School, a private all girls school in Harper Woods, Judd had to not only adjust to a new school, but also adjust to the fact that college was co-ed.

"It was weird at first, but I adjusted fine to it," she replied. Overall Judd thinks OU is "great."

Not only has Judd's talent shined athletically on the court but also academically in school. In high school Judd was on Regina High Schools' honor roll all four years.

Also in high school Judd was a four-time All-Macomb county pick. She also earned All-League honors twice and All-Metro three times.

Her junior and senior year in high school Judd earned back-to-back third team All-State honors.

"My senior year we were such a young and inexperienced team, I wasn't expecting it."

Another thing Judd wasn't expecting was her playing time her freshman year here at OU.

"I didn't expect to start, I thought that I would have subbed in for someone." Judd added, "I really wasn't expecting to play as much as I am."

With her plethora of talent Judd likes to "play a good defense."

Along with connecting to the team, Judd said she made a good connection with Head Coach Beckie Francis.

"I like her a lot it is fun having her as a coach." Judd said.

When asked about her plans after graduation (concerning basketball) Judd replied, "I'm not sure, I haven't given it too much thought."

As far as plans for the Women's Basketball Team, Judd hopes that it does well in the next few years.

"I think I speak for everyone on the team when I say that I want us to do well and win the league," Judd added, "that's pretty much our goal."

MEN'S BASKETBALL

- The men lost to Valparaiso 72-76 on Jan. 7.
- The men lost to Youngstown State 55-71 on Jan. 4.
- The men defeated Rochester College 100-52 on Dec. 19.
- The men lost to Western Michigan 78-65 on Dec. 12.



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- The women defeated Chicago State 91-68 on Jan. 9.

- The women lost to Valparaiso 67-75 on Jan. 7.
- The women lost to Youngstown State 72-87 on Jan. 4.
- The women defeated Detroit-Mercy 72-62 on Dec. 29.
- The women lost to Central Michigan 74-79 on Dec. 20.

THURSDAY

- The women's basketball team host Oral Roberts at 5:15 p.m.

- The men's basketball team host Oral Roberts at 7:35 p.m.

FRIDAY

- The men's swim and dive team host Kenyon at 4 p.m.

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- The women's swim and dive team at Miami, Ohio at 6 p.m.

SATURDAY

- The women's basketball team host Missouri-Kansas City at 1 p.m.

- The men's basketball team host UMKC at 3:30 p.m.
- The women's swim and dive team at Kenyon at 11 a.m.
- The men's ice hockey club plays WSU at 7:30 at the Detroit Skate Club Ice Rink. 888 Dennison Court off of Franklin Road from Square Lake Road near Telegraph.