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More interviews with the cast of Richard Linklater's new film, "Everybody Wants Some!!" Look for the review of the film on Friday at oaklandpostonline.com/blogs.



PHOTO OF THE WEEK

MUGGLES SEEK VICTORY // The Muggle Quidditch League of OU gathered on Saturday for the Second Oakland Owls Quidditch Invitational. The Grand Valley Grindylows, Oakland Owls, Falcon Warrior and Team Wednesday's gathered to duel on the Upper Fields.

Kylie Wichtner // *The Oakland Post*

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POLL OF THE WEEK

The year is done! What do you want to see next year on campus?

- A** An actual concert would be nice.
- B** More parking...like that'll ever happen.
- C** Actual Grizzly Bears roaming around.
- D** A higher GPA and maybe some new food options.

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LAST WEEK'S POLL

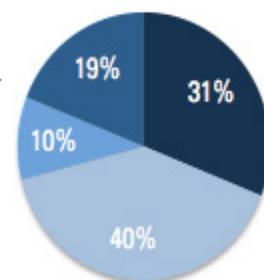
It's the end of another glorious semester, how are you feeling?

A) Fantastic! Haven't slept in days and my grades suck a** :)
18 votes | 31%

B) I don't know how I survived in all honesty.
23 votes | 40%

C) [sobbing] I JUST CAN'T WAIT FOR NEXT YEAR!
6 votes | 10%

D) Brace yourself, finals are coming.
11 votes | 19%



THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

April 15, 1998

OU journalism senior Gary Yourofsky was faced with charges after releasing 1,500 minks from the Eberts Fur Farm in Blenheim, Ontario. He planned to go on a 40-day hunger strike if he was to be convicted.

April 17, 1996

Ground was broken on the new Honors College facility, which was to be in Vandenberg Hall.

April 13, 2005

OUSC cut staff salaries after a \$13,000 drop in funds. The year prior, 61 percent of their budget was spent on compensation. The 2005 budget was only 27 percent.

—Compiled by Cheyanne Kramer, web editor



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SIBLINGS AROUND

The weather didn't get to students and their siblings this weekend as they partied with Student Program Board and Residence Housing Association for Siblings Weekend.



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BALD HEADED FUNDRAISING

Greek students vowed to shave their heads for their annual event in order to raise proceeds that go directly to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



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CHILDRENS THEATER SERIES

Meadow Brook Theater will be hosting it's ninth annual children series, featuring six different plays for children of all ages starting in October.

BY THE NUMBERS
St. Jude at OU

\$6,300.61

raised by Tau Kappa Epsilon for St. Jude

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organizations had students who pledged to shave their heads if their goal was met

75%

of all donations to St. Jude are public contributions, like the one at OU

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members of TKE shaved their heads despite not hitting the combined goal

Gap between administration, students needs to be bridged

Kristen Davis
Editor-in-Chief

As the academic year comes to its conclusion, the light at the end of the tunnel is slowly coming into focus. Whether you are sprinting or crawling to it, at some point within the next week or so, you will have reached it. Congratulations.

This is the last weekly issue the Oakland Post will print this semester. News will continue to be published online, though, and a print issue will still come out once a month during the summer.

Man, time flies.

As we reflect on our coverage provided throughout the last eight months or so, there is one recurring theme that frequented our paper.

From news coverage, to columns, editorials and letters to the editor, the lack of transparency displayed by our university's administration in its decision-making processes created tensions that seem to still be lingering around campus.

This repeated offense committed by administration this year began with an 8.4 percent tuition raise over summer that was primarily done behind closed doors and lacked any student input.

It was followed by the creation and hiring of a chief operating officer near the end of last semester. The campus community was completely unaware that this role was being made and filled. In addition to this, no national search was conducted. The only person who was even interviewed for the job, which has an annual salary of \$325,000, was

the man who currently holds the position, who's also a former board of trustees' member at OU.

Then, the board of trustees held a closed door meeting in Florida during its retreat that took place prior to the Winter College event in February, which student tuition dollars paid for. The two student liaisons to the board were not invited on the trip. No minutes from the meeting that took place in Florida were provided.

And finally, it was announced about two weeks ago that student employment hours during the fall and winter semesters of the 2016-17 school year will be reduced by five hours. This was a decision made in order to comply with the Affordable Care Act, but it wasn't the only option Oakland had.

Other universities comply by reducing summer hours — Oakland allows students to work 40 hours in the summer — or only allowing students to work 29 hours a week year-round to prevent them from going over the 30-hour average that would require the university to provide students with healthcare.

But, we are left in the dark on whether those alternatives were given any thought or consideration because students weren't involved in the decision to cut hours, according to OUSC President Zack Thomas.

At the end of the day, administration is going to do what it feels needs to be done. Whether these decisions are for better or worse can be argued, but one thing that can't be argued is the unethical

manner in which decisions were made this year that just widened the gap between administration and students.

Change needs to be made before the gap becomes so large and tensions become so high that extreme measures are taken, like petitions, rallies and office sit-ins that have already been brought up by Thomas' OUSC administration, which will hold office during the 2016-17 school year.

The board of trustees needs to stop holding closed-door meetings altogether. Regardless of whether decisions are being made in such meetings, the secrecy is still not acceptable.

Also, administration needs to be more open with its decision and allow for student and campus community input through open forums or town hall meetings. There's a huge lack of understanding between both groups, but the open discussion could aid both groups in understanding one another.

One of the five objectives set by Thomas and Vice President Anders Engnell is to fight for administrative transparency and accountability. Although I have confidence in their ability to accomplish this, they can't do it alone.

It's going to require effort from administration, and it's also going to require effort from current Golden Grizzlies to push for change as well.

Regardless, we cannot stop fighting for transparency.

Staying silent makes us equally as guilty as those acting in this way because we are allowing it to happen.

So speak up.



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The Real Deal: Strength to practice compassion

Aditya Tiwari
Contributor

Hello again readers! This semester's almost come to a close, and I hope we can all find it in ourselves to finish strong in the coming week! This week, I'd like for



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us to look at something a little bigger than politics and worldly issues. What I'd instead like to discuss is the idea of compassion, and where it seems to stand in human thought, or at least my lowly perception of the latter.

Compassion goes beyond empathy,

in that it motivates one to help out, in response to the misfortunes and sufferings of another. It's been discussed and valued in just about every world religion, and it's been the driving impetus behind many of our greatest stories, true and fictional. Time and time again, it's been described as one of the highest virtues and acts a human being could be capable of, and it would seem almost as though one should be capable of small, compassionate, if not at least kind acts without an afterthought. It would seem as though that's why humans can function effectively in groups, as larger civilizations and societies, because empathy and compassion can enable them to understand one another. Yet still, Human beings have never seemed to be more disconnected. Still there is violence, prejudice, and hate, in a world that is wholly capable of good. Can this dichotomy be explained at all?

Ignorance, greed, and fear, in my view, are the roots of all hate, and all

apathy. The societal woes that are borne of bigotry are made of ignorance and fear. Phenomena such as racism and homophobia persist to this day, because as a collective group, we hold onto outdated and simplistic information about the things we don't understand, instead of making an effort to actually getting to know people better. Because of our fear to understand the unknown, we push away people who don't fit the norm, ultimately dehumanizing them in a last-ditch type of effort to prevent the possibility of ever seeing eye-to-eye with them.

Sometimes, I feel we live in a world where we are encouraged to be selfish, and define our worth by how much we can own. In such a mindset, all that really matters is stopping someone else from getting 'what we want'. To this end, we've even had people try and legitimize that type of thinking. This is why I can't truly sit with doctrines such as Ayn Rand's

idea of 'objectivism' where she essentially argues that it is truly moral to be selfish, and that it can be considered immoral to help someone, and that it is truly weak to feel pity or sympathy. Trying to justify greed like this, is only a facade, in my view, to dress the fear that greed is based upon, and to let that fear justify poor decisions and actions, by which so many today remain in hunger and poverty, by which we allow the earth to be polluted, and our wildlife killed, by which we justify deaths if it can make a broader profit.

For every entity that told you were weak or wrong for ever caring, or wanting to do the right thing, I'd like to tell you, you weren't. It takes strength to practice compassion. It takes strength to do the right thing. Compassion is not the ideal of the weak, it is the test of the strong. In my humble opinion, it will take the gentle touch of understanding people around the world, to fix our deepest rooted problems, not brute force.

A Better yOU: A fond farewell from OU

Katie Rose
Contributor

Oh, where to start. It has been a great year as the Oakland University Student Congress Environmental, Health, and Wellness Director. Since my time in Student Congress has come to end, I am going to share with you all the environmental, health, and wellness initiatives and events that I have worked vigorously on over the past year.

One of my primary initiatives was to bring more recycling to campus. I accomplished this by working with the Oakland Center administration to purchase more recycling bins. You can find these blue bins all over the Oakland Center. This is only the start, as we have future plans to expand recycling to other buildings and introduce the idea of having outdoor recycling bins around campus as well. Oakland University also participated in RecycleMania this year.

This is a nationwide competition between many colleges and universities. Basically, it is a way to encourage more schools to recycle. As of week 7 in the competition, Oakland University is ranked 47 out of 199 schools with about a 47.7 percent recycling rate.

Furthermore, I have been working on promotion of the non-smoking policy. Not everyone knows this, but we are actually a clean air campus. The rationale behind the policy is that "tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke is a significant health hazard. Tobacco smoke has been identified as a Group A carcinogen (cancer-causing agent) and studies have shown that there is no safe level of exposure to tobacco smoke."

This has been an issue on campus since the non-smoking policy was implemented in fall 2013. There have been many discussions regarding this policy and how to further enforce this idea of a clean air

campus. We hope to continue this throughout the next administration through the continuous efforts of students and faculty and promotion of smoking cessation resources available at the Graham Health Center. As stated in the non-smoking policy, "enforcement of this policy is the responsibility of all" meaning that we should all take the extra step to respectfully remind students and faculty the importance of a clean air campus.

A major goal of mine was to educate students of environmental, health, and wellness issues and to provide information about alleviating these problems. This is why I planned a total of six events throughout the year. We were able to educate students about mental, emotional, and physical health through the Wellness Carnival and Mind Matters. Thrift 2 Gift was planned as a way for students to relax before finals week and make holiday gifts for their friends



Katie Rose
Contributor

and family out of recycled materials.

Talkin' Trash was a campus clean up event that occurred in both the fall and winter semesters. During

the fall campus clean up, we collected 44 pounds of trash around campus. In the winter, that number nearly tripled to 124 pounds of trash. After both clean ups, volunteers reported that there was still garbage all over campus and they did not have enough time to pick it all up. Volunteers also explained that a large amount of trash collected was cigarette butts, plastic products, and snack bags.

To further the education of proper disposal of trash, I planned the Recycling Games.

The focus of this event was to teach students about the importance of reducing waste and keeping certain items out of the landfill. It was also surprising to see how many students struggle with sorting materials into recycling, composting, and landfill bins. I have placed signs around the Oakland Center describing what can and cannot be recycled so keep a lookout for those if you are unsure.

I will be graduating soon, which means I am handing off my position to my successor, Lena Mishack, who has been on the Environmental, Health, and Wellness Committee for the past two years. I am beyond excited to see what impactful changes Lena will bring to Oakland University.

I hope everyone enjoyed my articles. If I have helped at least one person through my position as the Environmental, Health, and Wellness Director, I would call this a successful year. Thank you.

POLICE FILES

Stolen car and narcotics

On March 23, an OUPD officer was called to P1 because of a report of a male doing drugs with a spoon and a lighter. When the officer approached the vehicle, he could see that the student had just injected himself with a syringe. The student reached for something at his side, so the officer drew his firearm and asked to see the student's hands. After many prods, the student stepped out of his vehicle and complied. The arrest took place without incident. Upon searching the vehicle after the arrest, OUPD found large amounts of Xanax and heroin and saw that the car was stolen. The student is currently banned from campus.

Stolen identity

A female student filed a complaint to OUPD on April 5 about a fraudulent tax return. The IRS had sent the student a letter saying that someone had attempted to file for taxes in her name. The student filled out an identity theft report. The case is not yet closed.

— Compiled by Shelby Tankersley,
Staff Reporter



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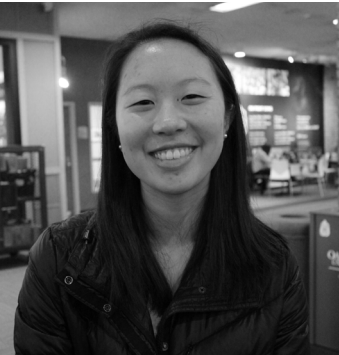
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Grizzlies on the Prowl



“How will you be spending your summer?”



Katie Czajkowski
Sophomore, Nursing

“I will be working two jobs and going to a sorority convention.”



Matthew McClure
Senior, Biomedical Science

“I will be working at Troy Beaumont and applying to medical school.”



Francis O'Brien
Senior, Criminal Justice

“I’ll be applying to the Detroit Police Academy. A job opened up and I hope to get it.”



Clare Sablehouse
Freshman, Journalism & Communication

“I will be at work and taking a summer class. It’s a general education class that’s required for my major.”

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Political focus: The retirement crisis and social security

Melissa Deatsch
Staff Reporter

What's the issue?

As many now spend their workdays dreaming about retirement, too many Americans lack a financial plan that will get them there. Workers' confidence in their future ability to retire is plateauing after making a post financial crisis come-back.

Many surveys have been conducted that support the idea that the U.S. is in the midst of a retirement crisis. There are currently 40 million senior citizens, but that number is expected to reach 89 million by 2050.

Experts say that back in 1960, for every one person retired there were more than five people working and giving a portion of their paycheck to social security. Now, that ratio has gone down to less than three workers per retired person.

It doesn't help that, according to a recently released survey by the Employee Benefit Research Institute, 30 percent of workers aren't saving for retirement at all. Of the 70 percent that do have some money saved, 25 percent have less than \$1,000 in savings.



Melissa Deatsch
Staff Reporter

Calculating how much you'll need for retirement is dependent on a lot of variables, most notably your expected cost of living, however, over half of workers have admitted to having no idea how much they need to save for retirement.

For those who have, many are worried they will have to delay retirement passed the current retirement age of 67. These lack of savings leave American retirees very dependent on their social security checks.

Social security works like this: As you work you put money in so that when you retire you can take money out. The social security check you receive when you become eligible is dependent on how much you earned while you were working.

Research shows that it won't be able

continue the same way it has been. The presidential candidates differ on how to tackle that issue.

What are the sides?

At the center of this debate are the candidates' plans for social security reform. If Americans retire without enough in savings, they could be relying almost entirely on their social security check to live.

While Democratic candidates are calling for expansion, Republicans want privatization of the program. Though social security reform cannot be found on any of the Republican candidates' campaign sites, suggesting it's not a priority.

Hillary Clinton wants to increase funding for social security and increase benefits by asking for the wealthiest Americans to pay more. Bernie Sanders feels the same and both plan to introduce legislation that eliminates the Social Security cap. Currently, all wages are taxed 12.4 percent up to \$118,500.

Each of the Republican candidates takes a different position regarding social security. Donald Trump has said he will make no changes to social security.

Ted Cruz has suggested an across-the-board reduction of benefits to younger workers. In addition, he supports raising the retirement age and allowing workers to invest a portion of their paycheck into a private account.

John Kasich has suggested a reduction in benefits for high-income workers while leaving benefits where they are for those retirees who depend on it. Kasich has not supported the retirement age being raised.

Why should you care?

It seems like it's too far away to care, but as we prepare to enter the real world, it's time to begin educating ourselves on real world topics. Lack of preparation too often comes from lack of education.

If you think you'll be fine to push back your retirement as long as you need, you need to account for the unpredictable. Unexpected illnesses, family member needs and many other things often require people to retire earlier than they expected.

As you enter the real world and begin a full-time job, consider your options for retirement plans. Those with retirement plans from work are far more likely to have an idea of what they'll need to retire comfortably.

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The Center for Student Activities, the Gender and Sexuality Center, VARC, Graham Health Center and Student Congress featured speakers from HAVEN of Oakland County for SAAM.

Sexual assault awareness brought to forefront

Organizations hold events to acknowledge the issue, provide resources to students during awareness week

Rachel Williams
Campus Editor

Following a sexual assault concerning Oakland students recently reported at Beacon Hill Apartment complexes and reports at college campuses across the nation, awareness is vital.

Oakland University began Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) with a week of events from April 4 to April 8 focused on education and resources for survivors.

The week included speakers like Dr. Jacquelyn White and panel discussions by the Violence and Abuse Resource Consortium (VARC).

Most of the events of the week were sponsored by the Center for Student Activities, the Gender and Sexuality Center, VARC, Graham Health Center and Student Congress.

Other organizations also set up their own events to help acknowledge SAAM.

The resident halls showed the film

“The Hunting Ground” concerning sexual assault on college campuses.

Sororities Alpha Delta Pi and Alpha Sigma Tau coordinated an event featuring speakers from HAVEN of Oakland County. The event was held on Sunday, April 3 and was called the “Sexual Assault Awareness Talk.”

“The talk dealt with sensitive topics including sexual assault, compliance to sexual activities and being safe,” Anna Fooy, public relations for Alpha Delta Pi, said. “This is something that needs to be made aware to everyone, especially on a college campus.”

Though the event was not officially part of Oakland’s SAAM, it was planned timely.

“The timing of the event was no accident,” Rebecca Rice, director of philanthropy for Alpha Sigma Tau, said. “We planned the event during SAAM for a reason — to bring awareness and education about the issue to campus.”

Oakland’s SAAM events also included Take Back the Night, present-

ed by the Gender and Sexuality Center and HAVEN Consent Training.

The Clothesline Project was also presented throughout the week. The project involves survivors of violence or sexual assault decorating a shirt expressing their emotions in relation to their assault or attack.

On April 18, SAAM activities will continue with Denim Day.

National Denim Day is held on April 27, though the CSA moved up the date in order to get more students involved before the final week of the semester.

Students are encouraged to wear denim in support of those who have faced sexual assault and to raise awareness.

Donations of gently used denim or money will be accepted in Fireside Lounge on April 18 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donations can also be dropped off at the CSA office throughout the day.

Those who pledge their support on GrizzOrgs or during the day will re-

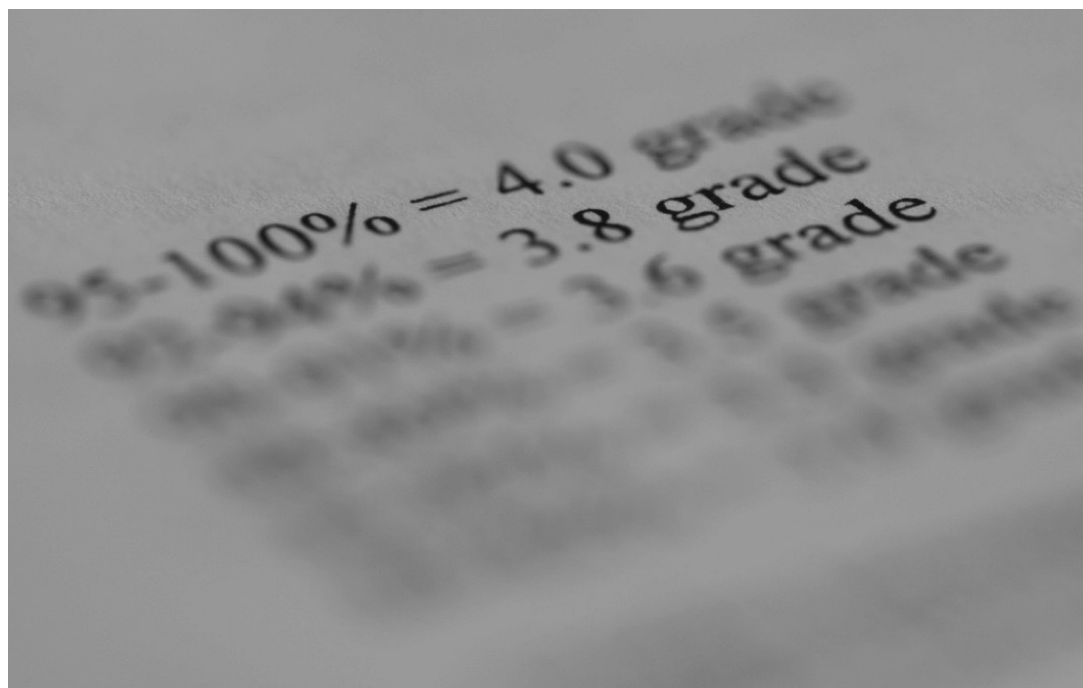
ceive ribbons and stickers.

All donations will go directly to HAVEN of Oakland County and Turning Point in Macomb County.

“We’ve been supporting Oakland University Student Congress’ ‘It’s On Us’ campaign which they started back in September,” Jean Ann Miller, director of Center for Student Activities and Leadership Development, said. “Keeping it in the forefront for everyone to know that this definitely should not be part of a college campus but, unfortunately, it is.”

Miller hopes that the message behind this week’s events will extend beyond the week and SAAM.

“We need to sustain the programs, sustain the fact that when you have these months or weeks that the issue doesn’t go away after the month is over or the week is over,” Miller said. “The most important thing is making sure that we get the information out to our students, even faculty and staff, about the awesome resources that are available on campus.”



Dongfu Han / The Oakland Post

A new grading scale is waiting to be approved by the University Faculty Senate which will provide a grading scale consistent with other universities. If approved, the new scale will take effect at Oakland during fall 2017.

New grading system pending approval for fall 2017

If passed, alpha numeric scale will be adopted across

Melissa Deatch
Staff Reporter

A new grading scale system is set to be implemented at Oakland in the fall of 2017 pending University Faculty Senate approval. The grading scale will become more consistent with the systems used by other universities across the country.

According to former Student Congress President Nick Walter, there have been issues with our current grading scale system that have been present since 1963.

"When I first set out to change this two years ago before I was even running for president, a senior member of the administration told me there was no way this would happen for the next five to six years," Walter said. "And now, it's going to happen."

The biggest issue lies in the transcript key, Walter explains.

"On the back of your transcript there's actually this translation key that changes your GPA into a letter grade and back into a GPA," Walter said.

Under Oakland's current system, a 3.6 to a 4.0 is an "A" that changes back into a 4.0. A 3.0 to a 3.5 is a "B" that changes back into a 3.0. This makes students with a GPA of a 3.5 look like they got a GPA of 3.0.

"A 2.0 to a 2.9 is a C which turns into a 2.0," Walter said. "So you could graduate from OU with a 2.94 GPA [...] and be going to grad school with a 2.0."

On a committee that was formed to examine issues with the current grading scale system, they became aware of this problem and began pursuing options that wouldn't send some Oakland graduates off to other graduate schools with a disadvantage.

The proposed solution is called an Alpha Numeric Scale. Under this scale, students won't get a GPA. They will get a letter grade with a possibility of a plus or minus. GPA will only be avail-

able on your transcript.

The new system is not quite yet official. In order to become official it must be approved by the Faculty Senate. Walter expects the change to be approved but said students must keep pushing for it.

Walter says this change is something all students should want to see happen.

According to Walter, the current system allows students the potential to be disadvantaged against students from other universities as well as other students in different classes with different scales.

"The only thing that I've heard push back on is that there is a small minority of faculty who just don't want it because it's different," Walter said.

"With any process there is always going to be people who are resistant to change."

Walter feels that getting this approved and official would be a huge win for Student Congress.

"If this year in Student Congress was a huge failure and we got nothing else done except this, I would consider it a successful year."

RHA Sibling Weekend success despite snow

Cheyenne Kramer
Web Editor

Students living in the residence halls were able to bring their siblings to Oakland University to experience a weekend of games, movies and activities.

According to Jenna Nielson, programming chair for Residence Halls Association (RHA), the event has been planned all semester.

"My supervisors put it in my head before Christmas break and the broad concept comes early on," Nielson said. "From there, it's narrowed down into more specific things."

This program has been going on for many years, but things change from year to year. This year included a comedian, magician, activities in the rec center, movies, snacks and shirts for the student-sibling duos.

In years past, the program was designed for younger siblings. Nielson said that last year they learned that many of the siblings were in their teens so this year, they designed programs based on this demographic.

For example, RHA showed both "Inside Out" and "Star Wars" to give content for all ages of siblings.

SPB teamed up with RHA to host the "Neon Lights" dance in the Oakland Center on Friday night. While not a Siblings Weekend-exclusive event, the siblings who did come with their OU student were welcome to the event.

Many younger children and older siblings alike came to "Neon Lights," making for a mix of both older and younger crowds and a wide variety of music being played.

A total of 275 people registered to bring their sibling to campus for the weekend, bringing the grand total to around 600 people participating in the weekend events.

"More people pre-registered this year than last year," Nielson said.

Part of the difficulty of Siblings Weekend comes with Night Watch. Usually, residents have to complete a pre-approval form 24 hours before someone under the age of 16 can stay on campus.

Pre-registering for the event allowed for students to get through Night Watch in an expedited manner.

Students were able to register their sibling on-site, but were not given the extra meal vouchers or shirts that the pre-registered groups received.

"We worked on it for so long, I just want to see people participating," Nielson said.

The inclement weather over the weekend, though, did lead to the cancellation of some events. Prior to Friday, all inflatables were canceled and Saturday's baseball game was canceled due to the snow.

Despite weather conditions, siblings still enjoyed the activities with their respective Oakland student.



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The Neon Lights dance was one of the many events students and their siblings could enjoy during RHA's Siblings Weekend.

STEM fields are for girls

Org hosts panel to discuss gender stereotypes

Sarah Lawrence
Staff Reporter

In 2014 the American Association for University Women (AAUW) reported that women working full time in the United States were paid 79 percent of men's wages, contributing to the 21 percent wage gap.

On April 7, the Oakland University Minority Association for Premed Students (MAPS) hosted a panel discussion on phenomenal women in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) professions.

The event was co-hosted and presented with the Oakland University Center for Multicultural Initiatives (CMI) Circle of Sisterhood as well as SPEAK (Students Promoting Empathy, Action and Knowledge).

The event opened with a short video clip entitled "Feminist vs. Savage" which helped introduce the subject matter to those in attendance.

The clip featured a FOX News report with guest Gavin McInnes, author of "The Death of Cool: From Teenage Rebellion to the Hangover of Adulthood," and his conversation with a female news broadcaster regarding women in the workforce.

This portion of the news program included extreme and misogynist views from McInnes as well as a variety of bias-ridden ideas behind the wage gap between men and women in the workforce.

Following the video, a representative from the MAPS executive board introduced the members of the panel.

The groups hosted special guests Professor Janell Hallauer M.S., and Professor Susan Bowyer Ph.D and MED physicist at Henry Ford Hospital.

Hallauer is a professor and special lecturer in the biological science department at Oakland University and an OU alumni. Hallauer has been nominated for the Teaching Excellence award and has received the Honors College In-



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Minority Association for Premed Students at Oakland co-hosted a panel featuring guest professors Janell Hallauer M.S. and Susan Bowyer Ph.D.

spiration award in the past.

Bowyer is a MEG physicist in the neuromagnetism lab at the Detroit Henry Ford Hospital, and a professor in the physics departments at Oakland University and Wayne State University School of Medicine.

Both women took time to share their personal stories and experiences as women entering the STEM fields.

They used their lives to spark discussion around the circle regarding the personal stories of those in attendance and how they may use these experiences and setbacks as motivation for their future endeavors.

"It's important to remember that if you're being treated differently, especially if it's because you're a female, it's an issue with them and not an issue with you," Hallauer said.

"Use their words to motivate you and don't give up. Prove them wrong."

The event was hosted in hon-

or of March's Women's History Month as a way to inspire individuals and bring awareness to controversies associated with gender stereotypes that women face each day.

"We thought hosting our panel discussion during a Circle of Sisterhood event would help make those in attendance feel comfortable in knowing they're not alone," Tonia Jones, MAPS president, said.

"I think our panelists did a wonderful job inspiring and engaging those who attended about ways to handle and overcome the stereotypes in their respective fields within STEM that can apply in other fields as well."

For more information on how to become involved with CMI Circle of Sisterhood, SPEAK and Maps, check out their pages on GrizzOrgs and MAPS instagram @ou_maps.

Queens are sashaying their way to OU soon

Annual Drag Show expected to draw large crowds again

Cheyenne Kramer
Web Editor

The 13th annual Oakland University Drag Show will take place in the Banquet Rooms on Thursday, April 14 as part of the GSA Pride Week celebrations.

This year's theme is Mardi Gras and will welcome nine acts of professional performers and six acts of student performers.

The theme is chosen in October and voted on by members of the GSA. From there, Jasmine Semma, president of the Gay Straight Alliance (GSA), said they began booking lighting and sound equipment and putting together decorations and advertisements.

Semma said that a few things will be different from this year than in years past.

"We have three professional performers instead of four," she said. "There's still nine performances by them, though it just gives the audience more time to get to see each performer."

MC Hershae Chocolate is returning this year for the Drag Show. Semma said Chocolate has been the emcee of the OU Drag Show for three years.

Semma explained that the drag queens and kings are chosen not only based on who they've worked with in the past, but also what local performers they have seen.

"A new performer [will perform] this year," Semma said. "Some of us have seen him perform outside of OU, and some students know him personally."

Instead of going through agencies, the GSA approaches performers on an individual basis. Semma said that sometimes going through companies can be impersonal.

Sky Hood, a student who was tabling for the Drag Show on Friday, said that they've been advertising for a while.

"Our advertising usually starts right after the drag show every year, but especially in the winter semester, it really picks up," she said.

Semma offered some tips for going to a first drag show.

- Show up early. Semma said that though the doors open at 6:30 p.m., most seats will be gone by 7 p.m. Last year drew in over 600 audience members.
- Semma said it's a relaxed environment, and go to have fun.
- Bring friends.
- "Experience a culture you haven't experienced before," Semma said.
- Bring tips. Though the event is free, the queens and kings themselves make their wages from tips more so than anything. Semma said tips are often the factor that determines if a queen or king thinks the night was successful.

In addition to the show, other Pride Week events are happening across campus. Last week, the GSC sponsored a Lavender Graduation ceremony and a Pride Prom.

The "Guess Who's Gay" panel is at 12 p.m. on April 13, and the week-long celebrations will conclude with the Drag Show.

Fraternity members Shave for St. Jude

Elizabeth Suchocki
Contributor

For the past three years, the Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) fraternity at Oakland University has been participating in Shave for St. Jude events. Each year, they have raised more money to help the many families affected by childhood cancer.

The past two years, the only people to participate in the head shaving were members of TKE.

A few select members would set a goal of how much money they wanted to fundraise before they would shave their head. If they met the goal, their head was shaved. If they didn't meet their goal, many still shaved their heads.

This year was slightly different, since TKE asked other members of the Oakland University Greek community to participate.

TKE's Jake Gora, Brandon Toncray and Jack Sicheneder all set goals of \$750. Alpha Sigma Phi's Brandon Walker set a goal of \$2,000 and two ladies from

Alpha Sigma Tau sorority, Paige Stefan and Katie Czajkowski, set a combined goal of \$4,000.

Hair stylists Beth and Amber from Great Clips came to Oakland's campus on Thursday, April 7 for the event and donated their services for free.

"The first year I was just going to pledge and didn't set a goal, I just looked at my brothers and said I'll shave my head," Toncray, three-time participant, said.

Along with these original goal setters, a member from OUTV and TKE's Travis Kersten also decided to shave their heads for St. Jude.

All of the TKE members who signed up did end up shaving their heads.

Stefan and Czajkowski were the first and only two ladies to sign up for this event. They did not end up meeting their goal, but Stefan donated 12 inches of hair to Wigs for Kids to make a wig for a child with cancer.

"If they raise a grand total of \$7,000 then I'll still shave my head," Katie Czajkowski said.



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Some members of Tau Kappa Epsilon whose goals were met had their heads completely shaved for the event.

"If it's like \$6,995 I'd still do it, but if it is anything under \$6,500 I won't be shaving my head."

Erin Watson, employee of St. Jude's fundraising office, gave a brief speech and stated that no family ever receives a bill from St. Jude.

St. Jude feels that families

should be caring for their child and not worrying about bills and debt. Seventy-five percent of donations are donated by public contributions.

Before the head shaving began, TKE sold pizza, cupcakes and raffle tickets to fundraise a bit more for participants who

had not yet reached their goals.

In the end, Tau Kappa Epsilon at Oakland University raised a grand total of \$6,300.61 for St. Jude.

For more information, you can find Tau Kappa Epsilon on GrizzOrgs or go to www.stjude.org.

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SAYING FAREWELL TO FELDER

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He's wanted this since he was three years old. "That's when I picked it up and never put it down."

Kay Felder, Oakland men's basketball team's former point guard, has signed with agents Michael Silverman and Brandon Grier of Athlete Management Group.

This move means Felder is gone from Oakland basketball for good. The junior and 2016 Horizon League Player of the Year had one potential season of eligibility remaining.

His departure isn't a complete surprise. The possibility of Felder moving on hung around the program in the latter half of the 2015-16 season. Oakland head coach Greg Kampe talked about it in multiple press conferences.

"I believe that he's going to play in the NBA and have a career in the NBA," Kampe said a few days before the Horizon League Championship. "I think he'll have a long career. And the reason for that is his strength, his quickness, his mind. He understands the game."

At that same press conference, he said he didn't know if Felder would be back for the 2016-17 season. He said they'd discussed the matter a good deal.

"We're going to put everybody that's important in his life in a room when it's over," Kampe said, "and

we're going to lay everything out, and then the decision will be made then."

"Leading up to [the Vegas 16 tournament], I felt like I had a good chance of leaving," Felder said.

"I kind of stuck with that and talked with my parents. Once I announced it, that was my final decision. I already had my mind made up before that."

He'd also met with Kampe. They talked about what he could improve on if he came back, what he would do for the team.

Plus, he'd get a degree. Still will.

"Yeah I'll get it," Felder said.

"That's big for [my mother] and big for me because the ball's not going to bounce forever."

Felder, his family, Kampe, associate head coach Saddi Washington and assistant coach Drew Valentine had a final meeting. They reviewed scouting research. Felder told why he wanted to leave. Kampe laid out the options.

"I listened to him," Felder said.

"He just said keep your options open. ... Make sure that when you make the decision that it's your decision."

It was.

He decided from the heart. He signed that contract.

"I felt joy and relief," Felder said.

"No more worries except hard work."



A LEGACY TO REMEMBER

It would be tough to adequately describe what an impact Felder had on the men's basketball program at Oakland, so we will let the following list of accomplishments speak for itself.

- Started in all 101 career games at Oakland
- Recorded the program's only two triple-doubles
- Earned third all-time on Oakland's career assist list and ninth on the scoring list
- Led the nation in assists with

9.3 a game and was fourth in the nation in scoring with 24.4 points per game in the 2015-16 season

- Holds the Horizon League career assist record with 788 in three years and the single-season assist record with 324 his junior year
- Earned Horizon League freshman of the year in 2014 and Horizon League player of the year in 2016
- Scored a career-high 38 points against University of Washington in 2015

- Scored 37 points twice, first against Eastern Illinois in the College Insider Tournament at the end of the 2014-15 season and then against then-No. 1 Michigan State in the beginning of the 2015-16 season
- Was a mid-major All-American and a Lou Henson Award Finalist during his sophomore year after he was the only player in the nation to average at least 17 points and seven assists a game
- Earned AP All-American Third

Team honors his junior year and was an honoree of Sporting News and NABC's All-American third teams

- Became a finalist for John R. Wooden Award and the Bob Cousy Award as a junior
- Scored 20 or more points in 30 of 35 games his junior year, recording at least 20 points and 10 assists in 15 games as well

— Compiled by Kristen Davis, statistics courtesy of GoldenGrizzlies.com



“To the fans and my teammates, thank you for being there for me. You have been there from day one and it’s only gotten better from my first year to now. Just keep working. Pray for me. And, see y’all soon.”

— Kay Felder



FUTURE IN THE NBA?

“Whether he decides to enter this year’s draft or wait for 2017 when he’s a senior, Felder has shown NBA scouts that he is a prospect that needs to be taken very seriously.”

DraftExpress wrote that on Jan. 3. The website lists him as No. 70 on the top 100 draft prospects of 2016.

His strengths are obvious. During the 2015-16 season, he managed 9.3 assists per game complemented by 24.4 points. DraftExpress lists his player efficiency rating as 30.3.

The website said his weaknesses are on defense, that he shows a general lack of interest on that end of the court. Although, it said, he has potential to be a useful bother in the NBA.

“This year, Oakland kind of had to hide me on defense because of the big offensive load that I had,” Felder said. “I can play defense with the best of ‘em. I’ve shown flashes of that this year. If you look at the tape, you’ll see that.”

He said he does have interest on defense.

“I’ll prove that,” Felder said. “I’m quick enough, fast enough and strong enough to guard anybody.”

Felder stands solidly at 5-foot-9. If drafted, he’d join the two shortest active players in the league — Isaiah Thomas of Boston and Nate Robinson of New Orleans. Both are 5-foot-9 as well. Thomas and Robinson are the only players below 5-foot-10 to have been drafted since 1990, according to CBS Sports.

“All my life I’ve had to prove people wrong because I’ve been, you know, short,” Felder said. “You can’t do this, you can’t do that.’ ... I’m used to it. I love it.”

Felder has known his agents, Silverman and Grier, since he was in eighth grade. They played in the same REACH league, although it was at different times. He said they are family.

Silverman and Grier represent 11 clients, including former Golden Grizzly Keith Benson. Dewayne Dedmon plays for the Orlando Magic and Quincy Acy plays for the Sacramento Kings. Six of the remaining eight are unrestricted free agents.

If Felder hadn’t signed an agent, he could have returned to Oakland within 10 days after the NBA combine. But he was ready to make the leap.

“I didn’t want to come back,” Felder said. “I had my mind made up. I’m going to sign the agent because I don’t want to come back to this school. I feel like I’ve done everything I could do for Oakland.”



Bizarre interview questions explained

Amy Swanson
Staff Reporter

What would you do if you found a penguin in the freezer?

Would you rather fight one horse-sized duck or 100 duck-sized horses?

When a hot dog expands, in which direction does it split and why?

Know how to respond to these questions? Now imagine answering them during a high-pressure interview.

These are a few of Glassdoor's top oddball interview questions of 2016, where job candidates across the United States submitted some crazy questions.

They came from interviews at places like Trader Joe's, Whole Foods Market and Space Exploration Technologies.

That said, as these questions were reported by candidates and not confirmed by companies, it's hard to know how often they are asked or if they are endorsed by the companies' human resources departments.

They are used to test people's ability to think outside the box, based on the creativity of their answers, as well as if they can think on their feet, according to Inc.com

OU Career Services Consultant Amy Ring said these types of questions are common for employers to ask.

"Normally people are preparing for interviews in a bunch of different ways and rehearse those questions they know they'll have to answer, and so these questions get to see them in their true element," she said.

According to The Business Times, they became popular in the 1990s with large technology companies like Microsoft, and then later on with Google.

These questions began as difficult yet solvable brainteasers, but have now evolved into more open-ended ones that don't necessarily have a correct answer, according to The Business Times. Because of this, both companies have been moving away from them.

Laszlo Bock, Google's head of people operations, wrote a book called "Work Rules!" in which he discussed how ineffective the questions are.

"At worst, they rely on some trivial bit of information or insight that is withheld from the candidate, and serve primarily to make the interviewer feel clever or self-satisfied. They have little if any ability to predict how candidates will perform in a job," according to his book.

Regardless of how effective they are, many companies still choose to go the unconventional route.

So how does one tackle these tricky questions if they come up?

Ring said that for a lot of these, there is no right or wrong answer. For the fun personality questions, it is important to have a sense of humor. If it is more of an analytical question, candidates should demonstrate their abilities to think through things.

"It's great if they can take into consideration the job that they're applying to and adapt their answer to some degree to what applies to it," Ring said.

As for any interview question, Ring said it is okay to take a second and think.

"Know that if an answer doesn't come to you immediately, go ahead and let the interviewer know, 'Hey, that's a really great question, I'm going to take a minute to think about it,' and then come back from that really strong," Ring said.

To prepare for an interview, Ring suggested to call up friends or family members and have them throw out some crazy questions. She said she has done this before.

"It forces me to be put on the spot with a question maybe I haven't thought of before and it brings in new perspectives and ideas," she said.

Ring said that the content of the response isn't what is most important.

"They're going to be looking at how you answer versus what the actual answer is," she said.

Candidates should avoid becoming defensive by pointing out the bizarreness of the question.

"The worst thing you can do is freeze and say that you don't know. You really want to at least try to come up with something to say," she said.

Ultimately, just stay positive and have fun with it.

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Health sciences professor wins humanitarian award

Shelby Tankersley
Staff Reporter

Physical therapy and exercise can have a positive impact on cancer patients. That's what one OU professor found while doing research to better the condition of women with breast cancer.

Jacqueline S. Drouin, a physical therapy professor, got an award for her research and for being the liaison, or spokesperson, to the world confederation from the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA).

"The work is so joyful," Drouin said. "I wanted to see how exercise affected cancer patients."

Drouin received the Debra Flomenhoft Humanitarian Award. It is awarded by the APTA's oncology section to a member who has advanced compassionate rehabilitation practices and has furthered education on how cancer affects people.

Members cannot apply for the award. They have to be nominated by their peers.

Drouin has been working with breast cancer patients since 2007, so the board of directors for the APTA nominated her for the award this year to celebrate her years of hard work.

"I didn't even know the award existed until I won it," Drouin said. "It came as a complete surprise."

The research Drouin did focused on how exercise affected women with breast cancer. The research initially received a lot of interest and she got to research in several different countries.

She found that exercise helped the patients have a more positive outlook and made them healthier overall. It didn't cure the cancer, but it made the patients

feel better than they would without it.

"It also reduced the chances of cancer reoccurring a second time if the patient continued to exercise," Drouin said.

In eight of her publications, Drouin has received help from some of her students. She thinks it is important for them to see first-hand the impact they can make.

"I have a lot of my students working with me," Drouin said. "I think it's a great opportunity for them to see what they can do for the world."

The students enjoy working with Drouin and the research.

"Knowing that Dr. Drouin has been given an award by her peers regarding this important sector of our profession is not at all surprising after having listened to her provide examples of her work outside the classroom," Alyssa Trudeau, a graduate student in physical therapy, said. "She is no doubt deserving of this honor. Both

her students and her patients are lucky to know her."

Her students also said that she's just as compassionate inside the classroom as she is in the field.

"She has been an outstanding professor," Andrew Kirschbaum, a graduate physical therapy student, said. "She challenges and empowers her students to attain higher understanding of complicated subject matter."

Looking toward the future, Drouin said that she wants to continue to work with the APTA and move her research to hearts.

She said that Americans have lots of opportunities to learn and she isn't ready to give that up yet.

"People in the U.S. don't realize that other countries don't have the learning opportunities we have," Drouin said. "I want to continue doing that."

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Alyssa Trudeau
Graduate student in
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During the 2016-17 year the theatre will be putting on six shows geared toward children.

Meadow Brook Theatre announces Children's

Alexus Bomar
Staff Reporter

Meadow Brook Theatre's (MBT) ninth annual Children's Series features six different shows for children and will begin in October 2016.

"It's a great way to introduce young children to theatre," Cheryl L. Marshall, managing director of MBT, said.

The six shows are:

1. Halloween Monster Mash

Guy Louis' "Halloween Monster Mash" will return by popular demand. According to Marshall, Guy Louis dresses up as Dracula for a family-friendly Halloween bash. Along with the play, there will also be a costume contest. Costumes aren't required but are encouraged. This show will be on Saturday, Oct. 22. Individual tickets will be sold for \$10 and tickets for groups of eight or more will be \$8.

2. Junie B. Jones Essential Survival Guide

According to Marshall, the next show should be the biggest seller with this series. The Theatreworks USA production of "Junie B. Jones Essential Survival Guide" is about Junie B. giving tips and tricks about school even though she's only been in school for a little over a year and a half. There will be two shows on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017 — one at 10 a.m. and one at 1 p.m. Individual tickets will be sold for \$15 and tickets for groups of eight or more will be \$12.

3. History's Alive series

Patrick Garner's "History's Alive" series will return to MBT and feature two shows: "Thomas Edison Inventor,

Lecturer & Prankster" and "Benjamin Franklin, America's First Citizen." The shows focus on the success of Edison and Franklin. This series will return to MBT on Friday, March 3, 2017 at 10 a.m. Tickets for this show are available exclusively through MBT's group sales office at 248-370-3316. Individual tickets will be sold for \$15 and tickets for groups of eight or more will be \$12.

4. "Anne of Green Gables"

The ArtsPower Production of "Anne of Green Gables" is a musical about two siblings who need help with chores around their farm. They take in an orphan who finds a family she has always dreamed of. This show will be on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 1 p.m. Individual tickets will be sold for \$15 and tickets for groups of eight or more will be \$12.

5. "The Velveteen Rabbit"

June features a day of two classics, with Bright Star Touring Theatre's productions of "The Velveteen Rabbit" and "Alice in Wonderland." Purchase tickets for one show for \$12 or both shows for \$20. Tickets are available for \$9 each per show for groups of eight or more. Both shows will be on Saturday, June 10, 2017 beginning at 10 a.m. with "The Velveteen Rabbit" and "Alice in Wonderland" at 1 p.m.

Each play will be shown for only one day and last approximately one hour.

According to Marshall, the shows are geared towards children, but everyone is welcome.

Tickets are available by calling the MBT box office at 248-377-3300 or online at ticketmaster.com.

For information about Patrick Garner's "History's Alive," call 248-370-3316.



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Movie spotlight: “Everybody Wants Some!!”

Stars of movie visit Oakland to discuss filmmaking process and college life in 1980

Scott Davis
Managing Editor

Three cast members from Richard Linklater’s latest film, “Everybody Wants Some!!”, stopped in Detroit during their press tour, and even visited Oakland’s campus to talk to cinema studies students about the making of the film.

“Everybody Wants Some!!” tells the story of a college baseball team in Texas during the summer of 1980 and the numerous parties they attend the weekend before classes start. The film features a wide range of stereotypical college students and showcases both the fun and struggles of the newfound freedom college provides.

A few of the film’s stars—Wyatt Russell, Glen Powell and J. Quinton Johnson—visited Oakland’s campus last week as part of their press tour. They answered questions from students, who were primarily in the Cinema Studies program, and then went to a special screening in Royal Oak to answer more questions from audience members.

Many of the questions the stars were

asked focused on the era the film takes place, what it was like to work with Richard Linklater and what the chemistry on set was like. The stars answered all of those questions, but continuously stressed how close they got with one another during the making of the film.

“When we were shooting the movie there wasn’t a whole lot of personal space, which was great. It was kind of this weird bromantic relationship that kind of never stopped while filming,” Powell said.

Before filming even began for “Everybody Wants Some!!”, the 12 main cast members of the movie spent three weeks at Linklater’s ranch in Texas and rehearsed everything in the script.

They did everything from read through the script twice a day, participate in baseball practice, watch ‘80s films together and even went to dance practices as a group.

All three actors realized how rare it is for a movie to take three weeks for rehearsal time, but they said that the time was used to not only work on their chemistry, but to make a better film as well.

“During the rehearsal process at [Richard]’s ranch, he sent us an email saying ‘it’s not my script anymore. If you just say the lines on the page, it is going to be a terrible movie, so bring yourself to it and let’s tear it apart and bring it back together, together.’ So really there was a lot of improv during the rehearsal process,

but once we got on set there wasn’t much,” Powell said.

The film is being marketed as a “spiritual sequel” to Linklater’s 1993 “Dazed and Confused”, but the stars said that no one on set saw this as a sequel, but instead as its own thing. Russell, who plays Willoughby in the movie, talked about how he thinks that you can see an evolution in Linklater’s filmmaking through his filmography, and it continues with “Everybody Wants Some!!”.

“When you go back and watch everything he does, there is a through line in everything he does. That’s his mind. This had the same elements as “Dazed and Confused”; it was an ensemble, people were having fun, it was people in school, but other than that I can’t draw similarities from the two movies,” Russell said.

As mentioned before, the film takes place during numerous parties over the course of one weekend, and the stars said that they had a lot of say into what happened at these parties. Even though the parties look fun when they are on screen, they were heavily rehearsed during the three weeks the cast spent on the ranch.

“Technically you are watching this continuous party over the course of one night, but each scene is a set up. You are filming sections of a party over the course of however many days it took to film those parties. Then you get to mesh up those scenes and it feels like it’s continuing,” Johnson said.

Although all of the parties were staged and carefully thought through, the cast members said there was a lot of energy on set during those scenes.

“For us in the moment, what you are feeling when you are feeling a party scene is us in our collaborative process is us getting excited for our work. So we are excited about the fact that we are able to work at the party and the party is fun to do. If you go crazy during those scenes, there are beats that you miss,” Russell said.

Despite taking place in 1980, the cast thinks there are plenty of relatable elements that current college students could take away in “Everybody Wants Some!!”.

“The more things change the more they stay the same, I think that is the essence of being in college and being young and figuring out what you are going to do with that new found freedom and I think that is the essence of this movie. There are paths that are open to you so who are you going to become?” Russell said. “I think this movie is really fun in that aspect because you kind of think you know who you are but you really don’t. I think the people who succeed the most in life and in college are open to the idea to figuring out who they are.”

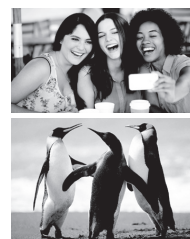
“Everybody Wants Some!!” is in select theaters this Friday and is rated R for language throughout, sexual content, drug use and some nudity. Check out oaklandpostonline.com/blogs on Friday to read our review of the film.



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A few of the stars of Everybody Wants Some!! came to Oakland to discuss the film with cinema studies students. Although the movie takes place in the 1980’s, it is relatable to college students now.

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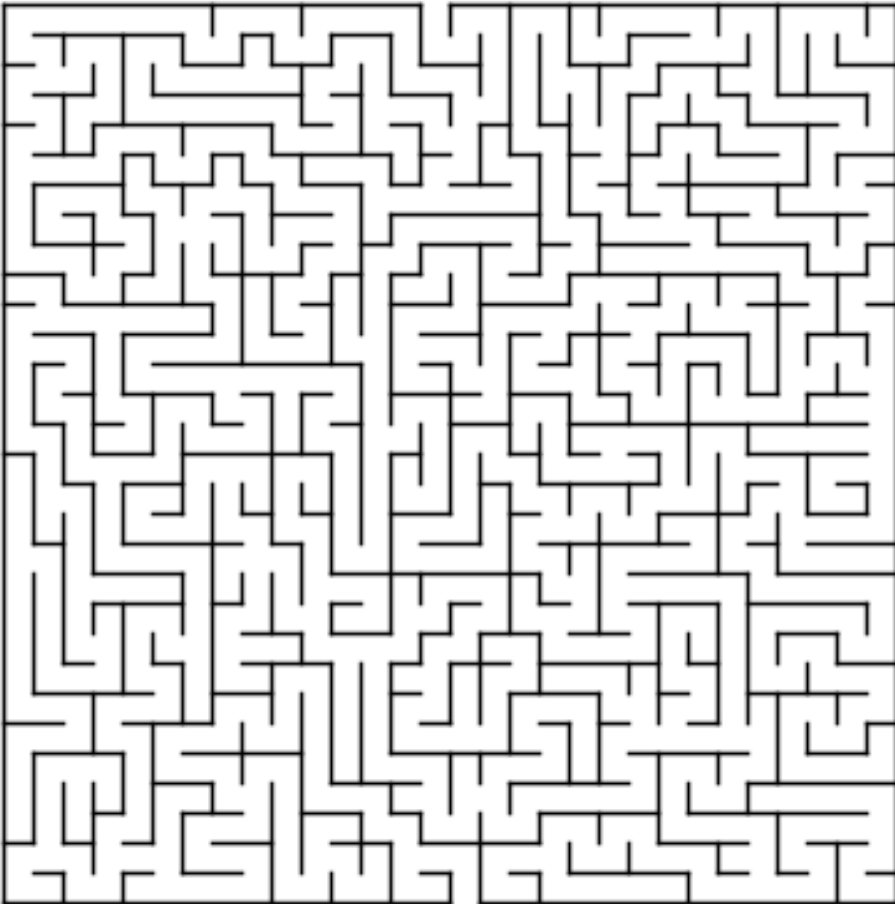
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Puzzles



- Across**
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6: Incite
10: Lewis Carroll's 'Jabberwocky' word for 'scratch, dog-style'
14: Sheets
15: Magazine founded by Henry Luce
16: Type of admiral
17: Take out or in
18: Disown
20: One with a will
22: Type of acid
23: Wander (about)
24: Container
25: Barfly
26: Ally
31: Tests that allow talking
32: Undivided
33: PC software
37: Gradual decline
38: It's between misery and company
40: Pigeons' house
41: Deli side
42: Musclebound brute
43: Responded to reveille
44: Subdued
47: Trim the turf
50: Get five in a row, in bingo
51: Have stuff
52: Observes Yom Kippur
54: Petitions
59: Starting point
61: Chip variety
62: Relish
63: 'Touch of ____' (Welles film)
64: Tiler's need
65: Table scraps
66: Prom escort
67: Gives a thrill to
- Down**
- 1: Not having enough carbonation
2: Get all stirred up
3: 'Them' insects
4: Bump into
5: Incenses
6: Took a hike
7: Cruise ship terminal
8: Diamond judge
9: Joins, as long-lost friends
10: Determination
11: Decade units
12: Sine, cosine, or tangent
13: At attention
19: Patronize a fine restaurant
21: Small amount
24: Problem source
26: Carnation's 'contented' creatures
27: Spoken
28: Grandmother, affectionately
29: Took to the air
30: Canine name
33: Piece of property
34: Like Richard and Yorick?
35: Sit before a lens
36: Stepped on it
38: Expended profusely
39: Sesame starter?
43: Canopies
44: Is short and shy
45: Type of cut or skirt
46: Temple student
47: Corrugated cracker
48: 'On the ____ hand...'
49: Least satisfactory
53: Takes home
54: Cat's eye, sometimes
55: Devil-may-____
56: Computer signpost
57: Fall sound
58: Tipplers
60: Some gametes



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10 WAYS TO GET THROUGH FINALS WEEK

Finals week is just around the corner for us Golden Grizzlies. Here are a few options that may or may not help you get through the end of the semester:

1. Cry.
2. Drink.
3. Cry and drink.
4. Order a large pizza and eat it by yourself while listening to "Everybody Hurts."
5. Take a nap.
6. Refuse to shower until your last exam is complete.
7. Watch "Magic Mike" and Google stripper salaries to see if you could make a living and drop out of college.
8. Watch "Babe" and Google shepherd salaries to see if you could make a living and drop out of college.
9. Watch all seven Harry Potter films and Google wizarding schools.
10. Review notes ahead of time, try not to cram, write out a schedule of exams and studying, get plenty of sleep, eat healthy and rock your exams (while sober)!

— Compiled by Rachel Williams, Campus Editor

YAKS of the YEAR

Yik Yak:
The voice of the people

1. "Is it really a parking ticket? Or are you just paying for a premium spot?"
2. "Dentist: *shoots you* you're bleeding because you don't floss."
3. "Don't be offended if someone doesn't answer your text. Their phone is either 'on silent' or 'right in front of their lying face.'"

4. "Shout out to the guy picking his nose in the parking garage, I hope you find what you're looking for."

5. "Follows dreams*
dreams don't follow back
unfollows dreams."

6. "I know we're all trash, but that's why they are called garbage cans, not garbage cannots."

7. "Buying books is like those cigarette commercials where they tear a piece of your face to pay."

8. "Not sure if it's a fire alarm or two girls seeing



each other for the first time since last semester."

9. "College is a lot like preschool: you sleep a lot, you miss your mom, and you have no idea what's going on most of the time."

10. "Imagine falling in love with someone and finding out they wear their Oakland ID on a lanyard around their neck."

— Compiled by Shelby Tankersley,
Staff Reporter

TOP TUNES

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of the week

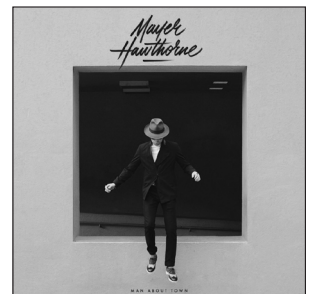
1. IGGY POP — "Post Pop Depression"
2. CHARLES BRADLEY — "Changes"
3. NIGHT MOVES — "Pennied Day"
4. SUN DAYS — "Album"
5. THAO AND THE GET DOWN STAY DOWN — "A Man Alive"
6. SLINGSHOT DAKOTA — "Break"
7. BOULEVARDS — "Groove"
8. PARQUET COURTS — "Human Performance"
9. FRANKIE COSMOS — "Next Thing"
10. SETH BOGART — "Seth Bogart"

ALBUM SPOTLIGHT

(Honorable Mention)

Mayer Hawthorne — "Man About Town"

On "Man About Town," released Friday, April 8 on Vagrant Records, Hawthorne cements himself as one of the silkiest voices in modern soul music. A native of Ann Arbor, Michigan, Hawthorne has a passion for old school soul, funk, pop and dance music — all of which are combined into a slick 10-song package on this new record.



We last heard from Mayer Hawthorne on his Tuxedo collaboration with DJ Jake One, released last year on Stones Throw Records. This record was steeped in 80s dance and funk ala Michael Jackson. "A Man About Town" finds Hawthorne returning to this sound on the song "Love Like That" while also expanding into other styles, touching on psychedelic soul on "Cosmic Love," feel good funk on "Breakfast in Bed" and even a reggae bounce on "Fancy Clothes."

Mayer Hawthorne will appear at the Ann Arbor Music Festival on Friday, July 1. According to his Facebook page, this is Hawthorne's only scheduled Michigan performance for the summer.

Recommended if you like: Hall and Oates, Aloe Blacc, "Aja"-era Steely Dan, Prince

Start with: "Cosmic Love," "Love Like That," "The Valley"

— Anthony Spak, WXOU Music Director

Golden Grizzly recuperates after Brussels attack

Sam Schlenner
Sports Editor

Sebastien Bellin, a former Oakland basketball player, was awaiting a flight from Brussels to New York the morning of March 22 when he was seriously injured in the airport bombing.

"I have been through four surgeries already, and never thought I'd be this lucky," Bellin said in a Golden Grizzlies news release. "When I was in the ambulance and knew I was going to make it, I began to think about my legs and if I was going to lose them, or just one. I thought I could handle having just one prosthetic leg, but not two. But, I knew being alive was the most important thing. Now, to hear that I will walk again and have both my legs, I feel extremely blessed."

He'll receive his fifth surgery — which includes skin grafts for his legs — on April 12. Then he will rehab for six to eight weeks. His father, stepmother, two brothers and wife were with him in the hospital, but they've had to go.

A family friend set up a GoFundMe campaign to help with the Bellin family's expenses.

"I expect to see him soon come walk-

ing into the O'rena," Oakland men's basketball head coach and Bellin's former coach Greg Kampe said. "Maybe not too soon. But eventually, I'm going to see him come walking into the O'rena. I don't even remember how I found out about him. We were in the Division I transition and we needed size. He was 6-foot-10. He definitely had size."

This was in the late '90s. Almost two decades before Brussels. Sébastien Bellin was at Marist College. He wasn't happy. Kampe recruited him. Got to know his family. His dad had grown up in Europe but was then a businessman living in the United States.

"My first impression of Seb was probably no different than most players," Kampe said. "He was a limited big man who had good offensive skills but wasn't real mobile at the time."

But he had two quality years at Oakland.

"He left and went to Belgium even though he had one year left," Kampe said. "And it worked out really good for him."

He played for 14 seasons, won the Belgian Cup twice, the Belgian League once and was captain of the Belgian National Team for five seasons.

"My first impressions were hey man, I like the size," Bellin's former Oakland teammate Dan Champagne said. "Happy to have him."

Bellin was good, he said.

"But nobody around here probably really remembers Seb as the basketball player," Champagne said. "They remember him as just the best guy. Big heart. Good guy. Good friend."

"He's been playing professional basketball for 14 years and every summer he comes home and he works my camp," Kampe told WXYZ's Brad Galli two days after the terrorist attack that killed 32. "What guy at that level wants to work your camp?"

"He's in the sports business now," Kampe told ESPN's Andy Katz.

"After all our good wins, I'd get an email from him. And after some of the tough losses, I'd get the 'Hey, what happened, man?' He's someone that gave back... He's a unique individual. A very, very good young man."

The generosity is not merely past tense. He was helping Max Hooper get a gig in Europe, according to the ESPN piece. He was going to sit down with him after the trip from Belgium.

"He has quite a few connections in the overseas basketball world," Hooper said. "I'm not exactly sure how he went about it, but he sought out a team for me ... who needed a shooter."

"That's who Seb was, man," Kampe said to Katz. "And that's what the family's about."



Courtesy of Sebastien Bellin

Sebastien Bellin recovering in his hospital room.

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Golden Grizzlies tie with Michigan State

Women's soccer team ends spring season with tournament, reflects on year as a whole

Ally Racey
Staff Reporter

All stats are as of 87:34 game time, as kept by the stadium announcer.

Sophomore midfielder Jenny Rosonke sparked Oakland women's soccer on an assist from senior Joan Sieja with three minutes left to tie Michigan State 1-1 at the Ultimate Soccer Arena in Pontiac, Mich., on Saturday, April 9. The game kicked off the second-annual Michigan College Tournament of Champions hosted by the Michigan Bucks and concluded the Golden Grizzlies' 2016 spring season.

Michigan State scored the first goal of the game with 10:35 to go, and Oakland looked shocked. But it was evident they weren't going to let the game end like that.

"I think there was a little more sense of urgency to get numbers into the box," head coach Margaret Saurin said. "In the last 10 minutes or so, we just felt like we have to score. We obviously didn't want to lose."

The Oakland crowd roared when Rosonke scored. The Black and Gold had an all-around successful game as the team moved the ball up and down the field more frequently and consistently than Michigan State.

Oakland had possession 57 percent of the time in the teeter-totter game and went 1-for-12 shooting. Michigan State went 1-for-8.

Saurin said it can be frustrating when the opponent's goalkeeper stops shots. But at the same time, redshirt sophomore Alison Holland made some impressive saves for Oakland to keep the team in the game.

"That's what you want from your goalkeeper," Saurin said. "They might not do anything for 89 minutes, but for one minute in the game they have to really be on."

Saurin wanted to make sure

that whenever Michigan State got the ball, Oakland didn't let them have a lot of time, especially when Michaela Kovacs, a former U20 national championship team member, had possession.

Oakland's team is a fairly young squad, and Saurin played a nearly all-freshman midfield on Saturday. She thought they stepped up to the plate.

"That made the difference [on Saturday]," Saurin said. "They connected the dots, and that was good."

According to Saurin, coming together as a team allowed Oakland to believe they can dominate a Big Ten team like Michigan State who was going to come out and press them from the start.

"This was a really good challenge for everybody," she said.

Saurin believes the team grew closer during the spring season because they didn't play together as much in the fall. The younger players were able to learn from the upperclassmen and that had a tremendously positive effect on the team.

"We really didn't take our foot off the pedal the whole season," Saurin said.

As this season comes to a close, the team is already thinking about how to prepare for the fall. Saurin will be sending the team notes so they can prepare for the fall.

"We're hoping that a lot of players will play a lot throughout the summer and kind of keep their touches as well because I think you can lose that if you're not touching the ball a lot," Saurin said.

The director of coaching for the Michigan Bucks, Gary Parson, said it's great to see these colleges come and use the facility.

"We want to try to sell some tickets and make it an event," Parson said.

He mentioned that when he was asked to host the finals, he said they would love to host and be a part of it.



LEFT Sophomore forward Cecilie Dokka drives the ball forward at the Ultimate Soccer Arenas during the women's showcase game.

ABOVE The Golden Grizzlies mascot (Grizz) made an appearance and greeted the fans in the stands.

TOP Michigan State Spartans and the Oakland Golden Grizzlies line up for the national anthem before the kickoff.

Nowshin Chowdhury/The Oakland Post

Men's soccer crushes Saginaw, 5-1

Team concludes spring season, successful year

Ally Racey
Staff Reporter

Oakland men's soccer dominated Saginaw Valley State University 5-1 in the 2016 Michigan College Tournament of Champions the afternoon of Saturday, April 9 at Ultimate Soccer Arenas in Pontiac, Mich.

Seniors Shawn Claud Lawson and Raphael Reynolds, redshirt senior Matt Rickard, junior Keenan King and sophomore Austin Ricci scored for the Golden Grizzlies as the team concluded its spring season.

"We brought much more energy and enthusiasm to the game and were able to take over the game at the start, imposing ourselves on SVSU," Oakland head coach Eric Pogue said. "It was nice to see all three seniors that played with us this spring — Shawn Claud, Matt and Raphael — score goals for us and really get sent out in a nice way in an Oakland uniform."

Pogue thought the team came out flat in the first half, but that it was able to regroup at halftime and have a talk about ending the spring season, and the entire year since August, the right way.

"The win itself is just one result during the spring for us, but more importantly it was a nice way to finish such a successful year for Oakland men's soccer including a back-to-back Horizon League conference title and return to the NCAA Tournament," Pogue said.

According to the director of coaching for the Michigan Bucks (the team which hosted the tournament), Gary Parson, the six participating schools came up with the idea to play at the Ultimate

Soccer Arenas. The Bucks host college games in the spring every year.

Pogue said the eight graduating seniors have meant so much to Oakland's soccer program over the past four years.

"We will be a very different team next year with a lot of youth, but also a lot of talent," Pogue said.

He said these spring games gave a lot of quality minutes to the team, and gave them the chance to play competitively against some of the top teams in the Midwest, including Notre Dame, Michigan, Western Michigan and Bowling Green.

"[It] was really important for our development as a team," Pogue said.

He said it's hard to say which Saginaw Valley State

player impressed him the most. In the spring, they don't pay much attention to or worry about the opposition.

"The spring season and into the summer is an important time for the players to develop individually, which will make us collectively better as a team come August when the games start to count," Pogue said. "Our guys spend a lot of time from January [to] April getting better in the weight room and on the training field."

A large goal looms:

"These spring games are good tests for us to see how we are progressing and what we need to continue to get better at over the summer months to give us the best opportunity to compete for a third Horizon League Championship in a row."



TOP Redshirt forward/midfielder Matt Rickard scored a goal in his final game for Oakland at the 2016 Michigan College Tournament of Champions. **BOTTOM** Shawn Claud Lawson, senior forward/midfielder, helped Oakland win 5-1 against Saginaw Valley State University in the tournament.

Nowshin Chowdhury / The Oakland Post

Running with the best: Girodat and Davis book it in Florida

Alongside tough competition, rising track and field stars make progress, stay on track for Horizon League Championship

Katlynn Emaus
Staff Reporter

Nicholas Girodat broke the Oakland outdoor 200m record with a time of 21.37 and finished sixth, while Aaron Davis finished 13th with a time of 21.52 on April 9 at the Miami Alumni Invitational in Coral Gables, Fla. Davis posted a personal best in the 100m with 10.71 and finished 14th.

"Nick is one of my best friends," Davis wrote in an email. "We've been training alongside each other since our freshman year, pushing each other to be our very best. We're able to relax a little and find the fun in the seriousness that revolves around our sport, which is sometimes necessary."

While it was below freezing in Rochester, it was warm and sunny in Coral Gables. Both Davis and Girodat wrote that the weather was beneficial. Girodat explained that "the heat makes it easier to warm up and get loose."

The meet involved more competition than the two ath-

letes were used to. Walter Dix, an Olympic bronze medalist in the 200m and 100m who ran the second-fastest 200m in U.S. history, competed against Girodat and Davis in both of their events.

"The competition was about as good as it gets," Girodat wrote in an email. "Competing against these large schools and unfamiliar athletes might seem intimidating, but you are where you're meant to be. Competing with some of the best just means we are on the right path athletically."

Girodat and Davis focused on their block start at the beginning of the race and maintaining their form throughout the sprint.

"There's always some visualization of my entire race from my block start to crossing the finish line a little before the starter calls us up to our lanes," Davis wrote. "Afterward, the focus is on how I felt during the race and how it correlates to the time that I ran. Then it's time to take what needs to be worked on and carry that over into the next practice."

Girodat focused more on the fast competition and trying to stay with them.

"I was placed in an outside lane for the 200 and thought to myself: Just don't let anyone pass you," Girodat wrote. "Coming around the curve, I seemed to have the lead and kept my form through the last 100 meter straight away. I ended up running a great time of 21.37 and was happy with how I ran the race. Looking up at the scoreboard and seeing my time, I smiled and thought to myself just how blessed I am."

Davis and Girodat hope to run fast enough to qualify for the NCAA regional meet. For now, the two athletes are pushing themselves at practice, focusing on one rep at a time and getting ready for the Horizon League Championship.

"After a good meet down in Miami, I plan to take it in stride and finish the rest of the season strong," Girodat wrote. "I will continue to train hard and see where it takes me."

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Oakland student-athletes read to an elementary school class for March is Reading Month.

Student-athletes promote literacy in the community

Katlynn Emaus & Sam Schlenner
Staff Reporter & Sports Editor

Oakland University student-athletes put the reading in March. Over 100 Golden Grizzlies read to elementary students throughout March is Reading Month, according to senior softball infielder Sarah Hartley.

"Athletics gets tons of new fans from this," Hartley wrote in an email. "While we are there all the kids are yelling 'Go Grizzlies!'"

According to Hartley, the student-athletes pick their own visits and go from there. The structure isn't set in stone, though. They might read to all the students or some of the students. The roles can even be reversed.

"The elementary students even read to us," Hartley wrote.

The impact goes beyond the mere words, according to her.

"It shows the community that we do care about our youth," Hartley wrote. "We can be great role models for these kids and show them that if you want to be a collegiate athlete or go to college, it's possible."

Notwithstanding the serious implications, the initiative is enjoyable.

"It is such a fun experience," Hartley wrote. "The children love asking us questions, showing off to us and just love to spend time with us."

There's a highlight for her.

"My favorite memory has to be just spending time with the children and seeing how excited they get when we talk to them," Hartley wrote. "They love asking us a million questions ranging from 'Do you

have any pets?' to 'What is an athlete?'"

And still the basic motive remains.

"The aim of March is Reading Month is to find new ways to motivate kids to read every single day of the year and to make reading fun," Hartley wrote.

According to Oakland University Athletic Director Jeff Konya, the athletic department gives more than 3,000 volunteer hours per year.

"[March is Reading Month] is an activity that is at the heart of that commitment because the relationship are so valued," Konya wrote in an email.

The campaign isn't just compatible with Oakland University Athletics' precept of service, according to Konya, but with the whole athletic mission.

"These kinds of activities are consistent and valued within our culture and specifically within our Ethos on Athletics," he wrote.

From the Statement of Belief: "...promote an environment that fosters success in the classroom, in competition, and in the community..."

According to Konya, reading to elementary students sends the community a message.

"It shows that we value education and the learning process," Konya wrote. "It also shows that we accept our responsibility as a role model and that there is a reason why student is listed first in the term student-athlete."

And the entire process has a goal: "emphasize the importance of literacy," according to Konya.

"Our student-athletes love working with local children in the area," he wrote. "The interaction is tremendously positive."

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