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The men's soccer team lost to Wright State University 2-0 on Saturday, Oct. 13. PHOTO/ELYSE GREGORY

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GET YOUR GROOVE ON // Oakland University co-hosted the 23rd annual Michigan Dance Festival on Saturday, Oct. 13. Participants got the chance to participate in a workshop on ethio-modern dance hosted by Dr. RAS Mikey Courtney. There were also master classes in hip-hop, ballet and modern/contemporary dance. SAMUEL SUMMERS // The Oakland Post

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POLL OF THE WEEK

What is your favorite fall activity?

- A Apple picking
- B Getting cider and donuts
- c Going to a pumpkin patch
- D Coughing and sniffling

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LAST WEEK'S POLL

Are you sick yet?

A) No, I walk around in fear every day

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B) I've always been sick

C) I don't leave my room...not yet

1 votes | 20%

D) I've been coughing for months now

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 19, 2005

Oakland Financial Services puts into place a new way to pay your tuition: The eBill.

OCTOBER 16, 2002

OU junior Lenwood Compton received personal congratulations from President George W. Bush for his volunteerism in the AmeriCorps program.

OCTOBER 13, 1993

Biology professor Rasul Chaudhry faced termination for allegedly using a live HIV virus in biology testing. He proclaimed innocence and continued to teach at OU.

BY THE NUMBERS HURRICANE MICHAEL

130 mph

winds were recorded in Panama City before the anemometer broke 30 million

people under hurricane watch in the southeast United States 320 miles

how far the winds of Hurricane Michael stretch across land 2005

the last year a hurricane struck the Florida panhandle

Looking Back

OU employee charged with embezzling in 1995

Mary Paige was charged with stealing \$44,166 from the Graham Health Center using the typical lapping method

Patrick Sullivan
Web Editor

previous employee of Oakland University's Graham Health Center (GHC) was sentenced in April 1996 for four counts of embezzlement from the medical center.

In the summer of 1995, an internal audit of the GHC found there was \$30,000 missing from the center's budget since the 1991-92 fiscal year. Mary Paige, a secretary at the GHC, was initially charged with embezzlement of \$1,172 of the total \$30,000.

On Nov. 2, 1995, Paige was brought to the 52nd District Court in Rochester Hills for her arraignment. While in court, Paige did not say a word, leading to the court entering a plea of not guilty on her behalf.

Paige was in charge of making deposits for the center while working in the GHC. Michelle Pagel, an OU accounting clerk in the cashier's office, testified during Paige's hearing about Paige's responsibilities while working for the health center and also the procedures for how the university maintains its records.

"One of Michelle's main functions in testifying was to establish that these were business records that are not kept simply for criminal prosecution," said Lt. Mel Gilroy of OU's Department of Public Safety.

Other testimonies included a representative from the cashier's office and OU's then Internal Audit Director David Vartanian.

Vartanian, during his testimony, discussed the manner in which Paige stole money from the university. The amount that Paige was accused of stealing increased as the trial went on, with the total being \$2,113 by the time Vartanian testified.

The internal audit director called what Paige did "a classic lapping case" in embezzling the GHC's money. A lapping case is where an employee steals money by taking a payment from one charge and using another payment to cover the cost of that charge.

Paige, Vartanian testified, would take a student's payments to the center and use another student's payment to cover the first, while not recording the second student's payment taking place, taking the money for herself.

Paige eventually pled no contest to the embezzlement at a later arraignment, meaning that she would be able to withdraw the plea if she disa-



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Former Graham Health Center employee Mary Paige, was convicted on four counts of embezzlement in '95.

greed with the sentence and go to trial instead. If convicted, she would face a maximum of 10 years in prison, or a minimum sentence of some time on probation.

Finally, Paige was sentenced by Oakland County Circuit Judge Barry Howard to serve one year of jail time in Oakland County Jail, along with five years of probation. Paige ultimately spent one week in jail before being turned over to the probation division's tether program. Paige spent the remainder of her jail time confined to her house.

"The tether program is ordered by the judge in lieu of jail," the then Oakland County Probation Supervisor, Bill Elsenheimer, said.

Along with the jail and probation time, Paige was required to pay back the final amount of \$44,166 that was found missing by Vartanian. Vartanian said that was the final amount found was allegedly five years of embezzlement.

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Campus

Wadsworth promoted to Interim Dean of Students

A committee will be formed to conduct a nationwide search to find a permanent replacement

Dean VagliaStaff Reporter

Pollowing Nancy Marshall's retirement from the position, Michael Wadsworth has been named Interim Dean of Students for Oakland University.

Promoted on Monday, Oct. 1, Wadsworth has a history in dealing with students. He holds a master's degree in educational administration from Kent State University, was the director of Residential Life at Albion College and has been with OU since 2014.

"Michael has more than 20 years of higher education experience in roles that directly interface with students," said Glenn McIntosh, vice president for Student Affairs and chief diversity officer. "These roles have allowed him to interact with students, parents, faculty and staff on a number of issues, projects and services. At Oakland, serving in the assistant dean of students position, he has firsthand experience in the functions of the office."

Wadsworth is not only appreciated by campus administration, but by student leadership as well. As Oakland University Student Congress (OUSC) President Ryan Fox put it, "I like Mike."

"I've never had a negative experience with the guy," Fox said. "I think he's very good at his job, and I think he's going to do a decent job in the interim position. He



Nicole Morsfield / The Oakland Post

Wadsworth enters the position with over 20 years of experience.

has the experience and the know-how to do it."

With Marshall's retirement, McIntosh will be starting a national search for a new dean of students in the coming weeks. While still in the planning stages, OUSC and administration have spoken about what they want in a new dean of students and who should be in a search committee.

McIntosh—as the hiring supervisor—said that he is looking for someone with a "proven leadership track record of building an engaged and vibrant campus life experience for students."

This candidate will need to have interpersonal skills and experience applying student development theory to campus to develope an inclusive environment.

Fox's opinion on what the next dean of students should be like is one that is more friendly with the student body.

"[I would like] somebody who prioritizes student opinions and goes out of their way to make sure students are involved in not just disciplinary issues, but really gets [students] involved in policy changes—especially student leaders," he said.

Fox wants to see a "rebranding" of the dean of students office's image from a punishing "boogeyman" to the student-advocating office that he sees it as.

Wadsworth has also expressed his thoughts on what he wants to see in the next dean of students. While he will not be involved in selecting a candidate (he is one of the candidates), Wadsworth would like the next dean of students to be an advocate for students.

"We are often the people trying to make sure the students' voices are heard," he said.

He would also like someone who can handle a problem with a calm manner and "someone that can establish strong connections across campus."



Oakland strengthens international relations with Chinese universities

Michael Pearce Sports Editor

hile Oakland University is already a household name in southeast Michigan, leaders from the School of Engineering and Computer Science traveled to China to help make OU a world-renowned university.

Oakland University President Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, Dean of OU's School of Engineering and Computer Science (SECS) Louay Chamra, and Mechanical Engineering Professors Gary Barber and Lianxiang Yang all went on the week-long trip to China to meet with faculty and students at partner universities.

"I was very impressed by the students we met at both the Beijing Information Science and Technology University (BISTU) and at Changchun University of Technology (CCUT)," Pescovitz said. "In many ways, they reminded me of students I have been fortunate to get to know here at Oakland. They all shared that same determination and drive and passion that I see from the students on our campus."

While at BITSU and CCUT, the group would meet with various administrators for the universities as well as field questions from prospective students, in hope that they would enter the two plus two program.

"Our cooperation with China started a long time ago, about 10 years ago," Chamra said. "But then in 2010, we established the two plus two program with the two main Chinese universities, BITSU and CCUT. The students do two years in China and then they do their last two years at Oakland University."

There are 134 mechanical engineering and 110 industrial engineering students enrolled in the cohort, taking English classes in China. In return, engineering professors at Oakland will go to China to teach summer courses.

"We do academic lectures more in the summertime," Barnhardt said. "We will typically give one or two research lectures as well to help encourage student flow back and forth but also research opportunities. We have research we've done together and papers published together."

Despite having 244 students in the program, only around 10 to 15 percent will come to Oakland due to the English requirement.

"Not every student comes to OU," Yang said. "Only about 10-15 percent that can pass the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) will come to Oakland. If they can't pass the TOEFL, they stay in China to finish their degree."

Two years ago, industrial engineering was added to the program, which had not been originally offered when the program began in 2010.

Of the 300 students in the program, Oakland University has about 60 students enrolled.

"The reason we do this is

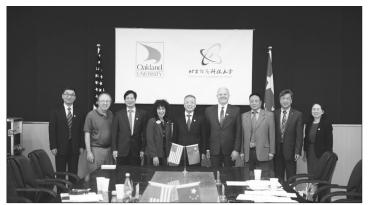


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Leaders from Oakland traveled to China to increase diversity on campus.

not because of tuition money," Chamra said. "I think it is really important to have international students at Oakland University. A lot of our students work parttime and cannot travel overseas. We bring the international community to them, and we all benefit from it."

Pescovitz also shared her desire for diversity, which she hopes will increase from the annual trips to China. "I also shared with the Chinese university leaders my vision, and our mission, to increase diversity on Oakland's campus," Pescovitz said. "Knowing that we all benefit when we share a learning environment that offers a cross-cultural exchange. After all, we are a global society today and our students will be interacting with people from around the world during their careers."

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President's Report: Open educational resource textbooks

Ryan FoxOUSC President

ear Students,

One of the most unnecessary and exorbitant costs for any student today is textbooks. I am almost certain that all of you reading this know someone, or have yourselves personally, purchased a textbook for \$100 or more. Even worse, you all probably know students who avoid buying the textbook due to the high cost. If you didn't before reading this, you do now.

I have, for multiple semesters, forgone buying textbooks for classes based off of the cost. I did this because I would not have been able to afford rent, or groceries, if I had purchased these books.

The worst part of this problem is that professors at this university have the ability to alleviate this cost in many instances,

however many choose not to.

Open Educational Resources, or OER, refers to a wealth of free and low cost educational materials that can be used in place of traditional textbooks. To explain it simply, a professor will write a book to teach intro to physics, and then wave their copyright to the text that way it is totally free or low cost for a class to utilize.

Now there are not OER books available for every class, like 4000 level classes in any major will likely not have an OER alternative. However for intro level courses there is typically a free alternative. You can find free books for french, physics, biology, psychology, and many other courses that cover general education credits.

Many professors avoid using these new low cost resources, due to habit and stigma. Many professors have used the same textbook for



many years, and thus do not want to switch books after so long. Many also believe that these free textbooks cannot possibly be as high quality as traditional books, which is simply not true. These books have been so successful that schools around the world have

begun using them.

Another issue is that representatives from major textbook companies will meet with professors at OU, in an effort to sell their company's books to professors. The textbook companies then take in the profits off the backs of students. This cycle also makes introducing OER difficult. However, these difficulties and challenges can be overcome.

If you are a student reading this, please ask your professor if they could offer these lower cost books. Tell them you cannot afford to keep buying traditional textbooks, and you would like them to look into lower cost options. Make sure to reach out to your department chairs as well, and see if they can be helpful in instituting a change.

If you are a professor reading this, please consider looking for free or low cost textbooks when designing your courses. The cost of textbooks is overwhelming many college students, and often times students will do poorly in your class solely because they were never able to afford the book. With the extreme cost of college, anything that you can do to help makes a world of difference.

If you are interested in getting involved with Student Congress, we currently have many positions open on our Legislature and on our many committees. Our Research and Review Chair Halle Haneckow is our first point of contact to get involved. Her email is halle-haneckow@oakland.edu. If you would like to reach out to OUSC about any pressing concerns you have about campus life, feel free to reach out to OUSC@oakland.edu.

Sincerely, Ryan M. Fox

POLICE FILES

A new level of harassment

A student who had recently broken up with her boyfriend came into the Oakland University Police Department liaison office on Sept. 14, 2018 to report that he had physically and emotionally abused her.

When talking to the officer, the victim seemed visibly shaken as she reported that she had asked her former boyfriend several times not to contact her. Despite this, she reported that he had showed up at her residence and continued to make daily phone calls multiple times. Her call log on her phone showed approximately 200 calls between 2 a.m. and 3 a.m. over the course of multiple days.

The liaison officer attempted to contact the ex-boyfriend by phone. The call went to voicemail on the first attempt, but on the second attempt, the suspect answered the phone and identified himself. When the officer identified herself, the suspect immediately hung up. The officer attempted to call the number again and went immediately to voicemail. She told the suspect that he had charges for stalking and harassment being filed against him. She never received a response.

On Sept. 25, the victim met with the liaison again and stated she had decided not to prosecute, as she received no further calls.

Parking lot nighttime wellness check

An officer on patrol on the night of Oct. 1, 2018 observed a gray Jeep Commander with an attached homemade blue trailer in the overnight parking area. The officer had observed this trailer parked in the Walmart parking lot and P37 before.

The officer knocked on the exterior of the trailer and observed the trailer start to rock and move. He announced himself, to which the person inside responded by identifying herself as an OU junior. She was living in the trailer while attending school because she could not afford housing, and already used tuition assistance for her classes. She told the officer she was going to begin working and will ask her employers if she could use their lot instead of OU's to sleep in.

The officer advised her that she was in violation of OU's ordinance, but when she said she could leave and find another location, he advised her that OU's lot was much safer and that she could stay until she found a safer place. He also told her that she would probably have to speak with the dean of students about her situation.

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Yildrim's research project on religion ran online in 11 countries with 14,500 respondents.

Sheikh Lecture for Islamic Understanding

Kaley Barnhill

Staff Reporter

. Kadir Yildirim gave a lecture called "Religion and Politics in the Middle East" in the Oakland Center on Thursday, Oct. 11. The lecture is one of the three-part Sheikh lecture series.

Held in the new Founder's Ballroom, the event had a great turnout of faculty and students as well as community members.

Paul Kubicek, department chair of political science at Oakland University, said that this lecture series "is to promote understanding of other faiths...[and] to combat Islamophobia." He explained this is driven by current events and current interests in the Middle East.

Yildirim is a fellow for the Middle East Baker Institute for Public Policy at Rice University. He is originally from Turkey. He has written two books and published a variety of articles for publications like The Washington Post and The Huffington Post.

After some technical difficulties because of issues with the new projector system, the event began. Yildirim had several slides with graphs and charts, breaking down the research. The visuals proved helpful, as the lecture was intended to be very informative.

Yildirim discussed how the surveyed people in countries throughout the Middle East felt about matters of religion in regard to politics, leaders, personal lives, daily prayers and more. Though the samples mainly came from disproportionately educated, urban, prosperous males, the information is still important in understanding more about the region. It also conveyed how religious leaders are much more important than was previously assumed according to Yildirim.

"It will nonetheless tell us important

things about how religion becomes important in terms of influencing people's decisions and views and perceptions of different kinds of factor," Yildrim said of the findings.

"Further analysis into the data is going to tell us a lot about what we can and cannot say about these particular findings."

The research project, started about a year and a half ago, was funded by the Luce Foundation. The survey ran online in 11 countries, with 14,500 respondents. Yildirim explained that it was at times difficult to run the research because of some of the country's governments.

"We must step back and understand the religious landscape of the Middle East," Yildrim said. He continued to explain that there is no clear religious authority, unlike other religions such as Catholicism.

After the presentation, audience members were invited to ask questions. Alexis Asaro, a freshman majoring in international relations, asked about expanding the research into other countries, such as those in Asia. She said she "always thought [the Middle East] was very interesting. There's so much religion....[and] it was very interesting how it plays into culture."

Yildirim explained, "We wanted to, essentially, figuratively draw a map of each country and how these different kinds of religious figures with different backgrounds sort of play out, sort of state religious authorities, Islamist actors, fundamentalists, Sufis and extremists," Yildrim explained. So we wanted to see...what the lay of the land was."

Yildirim will be presenting the research in March at a conference in Washington, D.C. for policymakers and researchers.

OU Soundings Series returns to campus

Patrick Sullivan

Web Editor

Professors around Oakland University are constantly involved in research work both on and around campus, but sometimes that work goes unnoticed by others. OU's Soundings Series seeks to fix that problem, and bring new information to new audiences.

The kickoff for the second annual OU Soundings Series was on Wednesday, Oct. 10, with the first of two announced presentations for 2018.

"The goal of the Soundings Series is to help faculty take the research work they do and communicate it to different audiences, like people outside their field or the general public," said David Stone, the chief research officer and professor of philosophy at Oakland.

Stone introduced Professor Jennifer Lucarelli, an associate professor and chair of the Interdisciplinary Health Sciences department here on campus. Lucarelli then presented to an audience of 30 people, a mix between students and faculty, all curious about her work.

The main topic of the presentation was Lucarelli's work with the Healthy Pontiac We Can! Coalition for the past seven years, and the benefits of community-based participatory research.

"Community-based participatory research is about going to a community and telling them 'you are the expert here," Lucarelli said.

She talked about her work in and with the City of Pontiac, from her work to creating bike lanes and racks in different locations around the city, to interactive programs such as the create of an athletic league for kids.

The Soundings Series not only allows

professors to get their research out to the public, it also provides presenters with the ability to find connections for their research.

"It's such a good opportunity to meet people who do similar work or want to do similar work," Lucarelli said. "The entire theme of the presentation was about partnerships, and the presentation was a good example of people coming together to accomplish that."

As for future Soundings Series events and who she would want to hear from, Lucarelli talked about how she would "want to hear from everybody."

"You find out about really cool stuff that you had no idea about from these presentations," she said. "You can take other people's knowledge and expertise, and build it into what you are doing."

Professor David Dulio, chair of the Political Science department, is the next in line to give a Soundings Series presentation. Dulio has been involved in the Soundings Series almost since it began, attending a majority of the events and almost being a part of the committee that reviewed applications.

"The whole idea of these presentations is to give tips to other faculty members that are interested," Dulio said.

One of the benefits of the Soundings Series is that it tells other faculty members how professors go about performing their research, and how others can use those methods themselves.

Past Soundings Series presentations include a presentation from Barbara Oakley earlier this year about growing your public impact, and presentations last year which included using scholarly use of social media, Parkinson's disease and being a public scholar.

The next Soundings Series is scheduled in the Lake Huron room of the Oakland Center on Monday, Nov. 12.



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Jennifer Lucarelli conducted community-based participatory research for Soundings Series.





ogue held its second annual Forces of Fashion event at Milk Studios in New York City on Thursday, Oct. 11. This year's theme—Forces for Change—featured conversation between designers, editors and influencers that focused on the shift occurring in the industry today.

Fashion devotees paid a steep price at \$3,000 to attend this event. Now, you may be thinking that the price is quite high for a single day event, but the perks are certainly worth it. What other time will people of the public get the chance to sit down with designers, editors, moderators, celebrities and even Anna Wintour herself over lunch and cocktails? Unless you work in fashion, the answer is never. It's certainly not every day that you have a chance to converse with some of fashion's biggest names.

The lineup for this year's conference was made up of Clare Waight Keller of Givenchy, Pierpaolo Piccioli of Valentino, Eva Chen of Instagram, Ashley Graham, Kendall Jenner, Gigi Hadid, Kris Jenner, Zendaya, Annie Leibovitz and more.

The first panel featuring Piccioli and Vogue's Hamish Bowles featured conversation on Piccioli's humble upbringing.

"When I was a kid, I felt that fashion was something so far from everything," Piccioli said. "I wanted to escape from the places that felt too small for me."

Piccioli enrolled in Rome's Instituto Europeo di Design to study fashion. He explained that during his time there, he became fascinated with politics and was considered an outsider. He was able to understand later on that his individualistic nature allows him to see beauty in a different way and to think alone, which in turn has made his career at Valentino so successful.

The next panel featured the legendary Leibovitz and Vogue contributing writer Jonathan Van Meter.

Leibovitz is an American portrait photographer whose work has appeared numerous times in American Vogue, including subjects like Kate Moss, Kim Kardashian, Michelle Obama and more. She photographed John Lennon on the day he was assassinated, and her work has been used on numerous album covers and magazines. As she became the first woman to hold an exhibition at Washington's National Portrait Gallery in 1991, Leibovitz has truly been a force of change in the world of photography.

After leaving Rolling Stone in 1983, Leibovitz was asked to shoot couture shows in Paris with Kate Moss in 1993 by Anna Wintour. The shoot, which also featured Sean Combs, was described as "the meeting of two worlds: rap culture and high fashion," Leibovitz said. "I learned so much about photography from fashion photography."

Keller sat on a panel with Chen. Upon recalling the moment she learned about her assignment of designing Meghan Markle's custom wedding dress, she had only been at Givenchy for six or seven months.

"The commission itself was really quite a moment for me," Keller said. "A huge thing for both my career, but personally as well, being a Brit and being able to be a part of a piece of British history."

When Kensington Palace announced that Keller designed the dress, the majority of the press was based around the fact that Keller was the first female designer of Givenchy. Although Keller is certainly proud of the achievement, she said that she thinks of herself first and foremost as a designer, period.

My favorite panel was between Hadid, Graham, Kendall Jenner and Paloma Elsesser. The group discussed their journeys into the modeling industry, as well as challenges they have faced and misconceptions that society has in regard to their careers

"Every day, there's still resistance for curvy women in the industry, and there is tokenism for curvy women in the industry," Graham said. "It has become so much more normal, but I've had people tell me, 'You need to lose weight,' or that the 'Clothes don't fit you, so we're not shooting you'...I was like, 'You know that's not going to happen right?' All this right here is a part of me. You still have to fight every day. Resistance is just a part of my career and that's why I fight so hard and call myself a body activist."

Continuing the conversation on diversity in the fashion industry, Elsesser added that despite her and Graham both being plus size models, they each face their unique set of challenges and obstacles.

"We're supposed to be the pillars of the actual norm in America," Elsesser said. "[Graham] and I are in the same industry, but we represent very different women, different identities, different experiences."

Kendall Jenner touched on the struggles that she has faced when trying to balance between private and public life.

"For me, it's always been a huge thing to keep that private aspect of my life," Kendall Jenner said. "I almost feel power in having that, and I think there's something really beautiful to be said about that. I've strived for that almost my whole career, but I've realized recently that having so much privacy leaves room for people to create a narrative for you, and for people to assume something of you that could be completely untrue."

For some, the most anticipated panel featured Kris Jenner and Vogue's Sally Singer. Kris Jenner dished on the secret to her success, as well as what motivates her children to stay in the business.

"I get up really early every morning at about four or five; I don't sleep a lot, so I'm trying to get a lot done early morning...I plan my day while Europe is up, get in most of my phone calls while New York is up and by the time Los Angeles wakes up, I'm ready to go."

Keeping their fans engaged and excited, Kris Jenner said, motivates her daughters.

"With all the kids, their number one focus when they enter the creative process is: What will the fans love, what will my followers be interested in? They get an extreme amount of satisfaction and excitement from the process."

With another Vogue event under my belt, I couldn't be more grateful to the staff for allowing me to be a part of the execution of such an inspiring event.



Oakland University unveils statue of Matilda Dodge

Jordan Jewell Staff Reporter

life-size statue of Matilda Dodge Wilson was unveiled on Saturday, Oct. 6 between the Oakland Center and South Foundation

The statue, whose reveal coincided with Homecoming and Reunion Weekend, is in memory of Wilson, the co-founder of Oakland University and former Meadow Brook Hall resident. The idea for the statue came from the 2010 graduating class.

They intended to commission the statue as a parting gift to the university. OU is home to several statue installations that can be found all over campus.

The students had this wonderful idea, but unfortunately, statues cost a lot to fund," said Kelly Brault, director of Annual Giving at OU. "It was placed on the back burner for a while."

The idea was picked up by alumni members from classes in the '60s at their 50-year reunion. Members of the reunion committee took charge of collecting donations for the statue.

"A lot of students from the '60s knew Matilda personally," Brault said. "They spent time with her on campus, especially when she was living in Meadow

As the alumni got closer to their monetary goal, the OU Alumni Association and the University Advancement Center began giving generously to the cause.

The statue serves as a tribute to the late Wilson, who passed away in 1967 at the age of 83. It's a life-size statue made entirely out of bronze. Former students were consulted on the portrayal of Matilda.

"Accuracy was key from the way she was standing to her clothing and expression, Braut

Wilson was born in Ontario, Canada. She attended school in Detroit and worked at the Dodge Motor Plant before marrying its founder. In 1947, she donated her estate to Michigan State University. The location would later transform into Oakland University and Meadow Brook Amphitheater.

"During my freshman year at OU I met Matilda at a Meadow Brook event," said Mary Schwark, OU alumni and a member of the group that helped describe Matilda to the artist. "She was kind, hospitable, generous and grandmotherly in appearance. While diminutive in stature, we understood that she was anything but diminutive in accomplish-

Additionally, Wilson served as lieutenant governor in Michigan in 1943. In 2016, the state of Michigan declared Nov. 4 to be Matilda R. Dodge Wilson Day.

Lou Cella is the artist who brought the sculpture to fruition. Cella is a Chicago native and works as a graphic designer and sculptor. He specializes in the human form.

His other work includes commission pieces for baseball stadiums, museums and memorials. His pieces can be seen



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The statue was contributed by OU alumni to honor the late Matilda Wilson.

at Comerica Park in Detroit, the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind. and Safeco Field in Seattle, Wash.

The Annual Giving Board at OU works with donations and philanthropy that will further the advancement of OU and its students and faculty.

"We are so excited about the portrayal of Matilda and everything that it will bring to the campus," Brault said. "It's an honor to have helped bring a physical reminder of her to the school."

The statue can be found on the walkway between South Foundation Hall and the Oakland Center.

"I am so excited to see how students will interact with the statue," Brault said. "Everyone involved was extremely passionate about the accuracy of

Number of deer crashes in Rochester Hills goes down, but OU still affected

Trevor Tyle Life Editor

The city of Rochester Hills saw a decrease in deer-related car crashes in 2017, according to a new report from the city's Deer Management Advisory Committee (DMAC).

According to the report, which was unveiled during the Sept. 24 city council meeting, there were 161 deerrelated car crashes last year. This number is a slight decrease from 2016, when 174 deer-related incidents occurred.

"We are still seeing hot spots on Avon Road, Adams Road, Walton and Tienken," said DMAC Chair Deborah Barno during the meeting.

Oakland University students commuting to campus are among the many drivers affected by the deer population in these areas. A report from Oakland University Communications and Marketing suggested in 2017, 14 percent of the school's student population consisted of on-campus residents, indicating that the other 86 percent of students were commuters.

"It's everywhere," said OU School of Education and Human Services graduate assistant Melissa Bishop of the deer-crossing signs she sees on her drive home to

During the aforementioned city council meeting, Barno suggested that October, November and December generally have higher deer crash rates. In an effort to lower these statistics, the DMAC plans to expand the



50,000 deer-related accidents have been reported by Michigan State Police

usage of electronic signs cautioning drivers to be on the lookout for deer.

"We're also continuing with the message, 'High Deer Crash Area, Use Caution,' instead of the 'Don't Veer for Deer,' which had been used in past years," Barno said during the meeting. "Signage is key — it's just key in bringing attention to drivers to be cautious, especially if it's a high deer crash area."

While these signs may prove to be beneficial to offcampus drivers, once students are on campus, there are no reminders about OU's deer population. While deer-related car crashes on OU's campus are far less frequent than those occurring in the general Rochester Hills area, Oakland University Police Department (OUPD) officials have reminded students that they are not impossible.

"In 2018 so far, we have taken 17 animal complaint calls, and of those, six were because of injured deer," OUPD Lieutenant Nicole Thompson said via email.

Between 2016, 2017 and 2018, only three deer-related accident reports have been filed with OUPD — one for each year. The sole incident in 2017 involved one of OUPD's own patrol cars.

Statewide, however, there was nearly an 8 percent increase in deer collisions last year. According to the Michigan State Police, nearly 50,000 deer-related accidents occur each year. On average, these incidents are more likely to occur in the spring and fall, which prompted the DMAC's efforts last month to increase awareness for deer safety. To accomplish this, the DMAC has been relying on utility bill notices, press releases and a brochure titled "Coexisting with White-Tailed Deer," which Barno said they were particularly

Among the information included in the brochure is a reminder for Rochester Hills residents that the feeding and hunting of deer are both strictly prohibited.

"Deer complaints were slightly up in every category [this year]," Barno said during the city council meeting.

While most of the complaints among Rochester Hills residents pertained to roadkill, there were significant increases in complaints related to nuisance wildlife and feeding the local deer.

'[The deer] don't abide by the law," Bishop joked. For more information on the DMAC and deer safety, visit the City of Rochester Hills website.



Photo courtesy of Meadow Brook Theatre

A pair of spinster sisters have an unusual hobby of murdering lonely old men in this production.

EDITORIAL

'Arsenic and Old Lace' is brilliantly facetious

Jessica Leydet Social Media Editor

n the crisp fall evening of Oct. 12, crowds gathered into Meadow Brook Theatre to see the production of "Arsenic and Old Lace." The play by Joseph Kettering is a dark comedy, which sets the perfect mood as we approach Halloween—the time of year that has minds wandering to spooky places.

It serves up a murderous plot with a ridiculously funny twist, and the good news is you still have time to see it. The last performance is Sunday, Oct. 28.

It begins with a pair of spinster sisters, Martha and Abby Brewster (played by Ruth Crawford and Mary Robin Roth) who have a seemingly quirky hobby: murdering lonely old men. They lure the men into their home with their innocent demeanor and then poison them with elderberry wine laced with arsenic.

Crawford, who portrayed Martha, is known for her recurring role on the hit Comedy Central show "Detroiters," and Roth, who portrayed Abby, has been performing on Broadway since the 1970s, most notably in the Tony Awardnominated production of "The Mystery of Edwin Drood." These leading ladies had the crowd roaring in laughter at their portrayal of these wacky and charming murderers.

Following the most recent of the spinsters' murders, their nephew Mortimer Brewster returns to their home where he discovers their latest dead body in the window seat. At first he is shocked and assumes it had to have been his mentally ill brother, Teddy Brewster (Peter Prouty), who believes he is President Theodore Roosevelt.

Mortimer also fears he may have to break off his engagement with his aunts' neighbor Elaine (Olivia Ursu) to protect her from his crazy family.

Prouty hit the nail on the head with his quirky portrayal of Teddy. If it wasn't for him digging what he believed to be "the Panama canals," the sisters would never have made it as far as they did on their killing spree. He was charmingly ignorant of everything going on and yet everyone initially believed him to be the culprit for the body in the window seat when given a first guess.

Amidst the chaos of this messy predicament, Mortimer also has to deal with the arrival of his other brother, a mysterious criminal named Jonathan (Michael Brian Ogden)—who brings his personal plastic surgeon, Dr. Einstein (Phil Powers) and his own body to bury. With these two goons being thrown into the mix, chaos ensues.

Jonathan tries to murder Mortimer out of a fit of rage after being ordered to leave, and Dr. Einstein, with his heavy-drinking problem and love for rearranging Jonathan's face, wants to set up his lab in the spinsters' home. I found myself laughing uncontrollably at Powers' portrayal of Dr. Einstein, as he was drunkenly limping around and mocking Jonathan's malevolent idiocy.

Overall, I really loved this take on such a classic. It was just as entertaining as the film directed by Frank Capra in 1944—the only thing missing was the handsome Cary Grant.

An interview with Hala

Simon Albaugh Contributor

Hala will be performing at the Habitat for the Thursday Night Mainstage 88.3FM WXOU Concert Series on Thursday, Oct. 25, 2018.

So how would you describe your music?

"Singer-Songwriter. Because it's all encompassing, It can be anything it wants to be, you know? It can be rock music, it can be R&B music, it can be soft music."

So you're just trying to get all the freedom you can in your songwriting?

"I've preached this at the beginning, and this is why I do all this stuff by myself, because I want it to be all in my control. I don't want anybody to be breathing down my neck telling me what kind of music I should make, what kind of trends I should follow, 'I should make a song like this.' I don't want any of that."

Where's the farthest you've traveled to do a show?

"Um, Brazil. And then the next closest was Miami. We did Miami over the summer, it was part of an east coast tour that was a month long. We were in Florida for basically a week and getting down to Miami, and, you know, Miami is wild. It was a weird show. Like, it felt like a different place than Florida. It was wild."

That's probably why Versace moved there. But how long have you been doing shows?

"I've been doing shows since I was probably 13, I think. But that was with another band. Under this name and this project, I've been doing it since I was 17."

What do you want people to get out of your music? Do you want people to enjoy it, or is there more?

"I'd like people to enjoy it, yeah. The one thing I've wanted since I was a little kid is I want to play a song that the whole world can sing. It doesn't matter your political alignment, it doesn't matter your life experiences. It doesn't matter who you are. I want a song that everyone can get down to. And I'm still searching for that."

And what kind of music do you sing to?

"I listen to a lot of music. Somebody told me once that I have an eclectic music taste. And I kinda like that idea. I guess I like a lot of '60s rock. I like a lot of '60s country music. I like a lot of '70s. I like Danny Brown. I like a lot of music. I don't really discriminate. When I listen to a song and I feel like it's got the it factor, it's a combination of things and when those things come together you can describe it in a million different ways but it has it."

And for the people who go to your show at OU, is there anything they should look out for?

"My line up right now, we've been mostly playing songs with a rock mentality. We just want to play loud and hard.."

Playing alongside Hala is Austin Blicker on guitar, John Kick on the drums and Jake Lamont on bass guitar.



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Since the 2010 establishment of Guardian Angels, over 200 dogs have been paired with veterans.

SVOU fundraises to sponsor support dog

Laurel Kraus Managing Editor

ulie Reynolds, an Oakland Township resident, was 56 years old when she lost her life due to a sudden brain aneurysm, leaving behind a husband and four children.

Due to her military connections, a support dog from Guardian Angels - Medical Service Dogs, Inc. was named Julie in her honor and paired with a struggling veteran in western Michigan. The two had an instant bond, and the veteran is now engaged to a fiancé who says he is now a completely different person.

"I know you lost your Julie in January, but I got Julie in February, and she saved my life," the veteran told Julie's family in a passing of the leash ceremony.

This is only one of the success stories that have come from the Guardian Angels' support dogs according to Vito A. Pampalona, who is on the advisory board.

Student Veterans of Oakland University (SVOU) are now raising funds to sponsor one of the dogs, which will likely go to a veteran in need in the local area, and have it associated with OU by naming it

The organization's goal is to raise the necessary \$22,000 by August 2019, so that it can be presented at the annual Yellow Ribbon Fund golf outing, which Pampalona hosts.

Tyler Digiacomo, president of SVOU, feels this would show that veterans are not done giving back, and once they leave the service, they still want to support the community.

The highly trained support dogs are specifically trained for post traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, mobility issues and more.

Among their many abilities, the dogs can detect emotional stress, guide overwhelmed veterans into less crowded areas, open doors, pick up telephones, hit panic buttons and wake vets up out of a nightmare, bringing them back to reality.

"It not only changes their lives... but everybody around that veteran," Pampalona said.

Since the Guardian Angels began in 2010, over 200 dogs have been paired and among those veterans, there has not been one suicide, one divorce or one case of domestic violence.

"That's a great statistic being that the suicide rate in veterans is high for younger and older veterans, [and] divorce is very high," Pampalona said. "But since we've been pairing these dogs, not one case, and that's a remarkable record."

In order to raise the funds to sponsor a dog, SVOU will taking a variety of approaches including partnering with the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. (VFW) post in Rochester and tabling in the Oakland Center. Those who donate will receive an "I donated to save a life"

The VFW in Pontiac will have a barbeque on Saturday, Nov. 10, 2018, which will also celebrate the Marine Corps birthday, and all the money raised at the event will go toward SVOU's fundraising.

No recipient of a Guardian Angels support dog is ever charged, so it is left to efforts such as this to give veterans in need a helping paw.

Anyone interested in donating, or other student organizations looking to get involved, can contact Digiacomo at tylerdigiacomo@oakland.edu or stop by the Veteran Support Services office in Vandenberg Hall.

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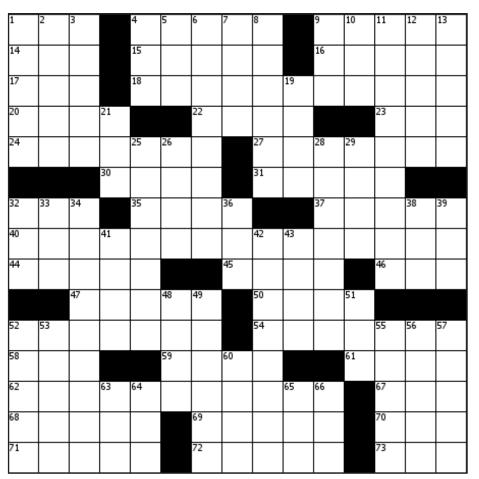


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- 14. Team managed by Tommy Lasorda
- 15. Farewell in France
- 16. Enrico's portrayer Lanza
- 17. "Cool!"
- 18. Atlantic City casino mogul
- 20. Snail follower?
- 22. Pennsylvania port
- 23. Bumbler
- 24. Tumbler
- 27. Read
- 30. Salon job
- 31. Too pooped to participate
- 32. Apple pie's partner?
- 35. Put one's foot down
- 37. Ross or Rigg
- 40. "Defence of Fort
- McHenry" poet 44. Pianist Claudio
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- 46. Ram's mate
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- 50. They call out "Out!"
- 52. Serbia neighbor
- 54. Saw red

- 58. Revolution at Le Mans
 - 59. Agitated state
 - 61. Time long past
 - 62. Betty Comden's partner in songwriting
 - 67. Republicans, for short

 - 68. Grinding tooth 69. Sharif and Epps

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 - 72. Steamy relaxant
 - 73. Court divider

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- 12. Songstress Mann
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- 19. "___ Purple"
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- 28. Bureaucratic stumbling block
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- 33. Bobby on the ice
- 34. Venetian voyager
- 36. Chi-omega go-between
- 38. Common city name
- starter
- 39. Vote of confidence
- 41. Simba's mate in "The
- Lion King"
- 42. Big name in
- underwater exploration
- 43. "It's ____" (treater's
- phrase)
- 48. Angle
- 49. Dances with dips
- 51. Home for Babe
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United Nations warns climate will be unfixable by 2030

Ben Hume Staff Reporter

The United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) issued a damning report on the state of our global ecosystem on Monday, Oct. 8.

For years, climate scientists have been warning the world about the impending disaster of global warming and the "point of no return," a theoretical point at which the Earth will be too warm for climate change to be reversed. The IPCC report gives us a timetable for a point of no return, at the minimum just 12 years until the damage is permanent.

The report was the first to be commissioned by the newly created Paris agreement signed in 2015. The IPCC predicts a global increase of 2.7 degrees Fahrenheit (1.5 degrees Celsius) in average temperatures by the year 2040. The report lists a number of potential impacts and associated risks, some of which include "hot extremes in most inhabited regions... heavy precipitation in several regions...and the probability of drought and precipitation deficits in some regions."

These are the impacts that can be found in just the first paragraph of the associated risks subsection of the report—there are five more paragraphs after this describing everything from increased ocean acidity to stunted economic growth across the globe.

The evidence is clear, and the world seems to know what's coming. There will always be naysayers, many of which reside in our very own



country, but they are beyond help. The real issue we face is the issue of the United States' lack of any moral compass.

If you can remember back to the beginning of this administration, you might remember the first issue our president saw fit to tackle was former President Barack Obama's decision to sign on to the Paris agreement. Since then, every single member of the international community has signed the agreement. Aside from the U.S., Syria was the last country to join, which they did in November 2017.

Following that decision, President Donald Trump led the way in relaxing pollution regulations on coal-fired power plants, even though this decision has still led to another 40 plants shutting down and no new plants planned. Trump ended the war on coal, only to show the world we don't care a lick about the battle against the end of the world.

Several news sources have filled the media with calls to action, how each individual can do their part. You've surely heard the drill — recycle, compost, use reusable water bottles, reusable grocery bags and so on. All of these suggestions are very valuable, but at the end of the day, the thing we need most is to hold our own government to much higher standards. We used to be the world's leader in science and intellect, the first on the moon and the best educated.

Here we are now, last place in the one thing that matters—caring about the Earth that we destroyed. We can't even find politicians with enough backbone to see past their own coffers and to look at just how long we have left to save it.

So I implore you to vote for people who will care for our pale blue dot, the only home we have, before the damage is too great.

How your diet is affecting our environment

Taylor Crumley Staff Intern

What if I told you that your diet impacts our environment? The things that you choose to eat can make a difference in the sustainability of our world. Climate change and pollution are the two biggest environmental factors influenced by our diet.

Eating animal products requires an immense amount of land, food, energy and water. The animal agriculture industry alone uses one-third of the world's fresh water. Animal grazing uses 30 percent of the world's total land area, and these statistics are going nowhere but up. According to TIME Magazine, "There may be no other single human activity that has a bigger impact on the planet than the raising of livestock."

In order to plan for a more sustainable future, a flexitarian diet is being encouraged by scientists, according to BBC News. A flexitarian diet is essentially a more

conservative and sustainable approach to eating. It falls in the middle of a traditional western diet and a vegan diet.

In recent years, it has become a social movement to follow a vegan, or plant-based, diet and more people are becoming aware of this trend. According to Food Revolution, only one percent of U.S. consumers claimed to be vegan in 2014—that number is now 6 percent, as of 2017.

Although the near 600 percent growth in the past three years is astonishing, the vegan lifestyle has received backlash. The average American consumer often views a vegan diet as something that is unattainable and would never give it a chance. There has been quite a bit of criticism and skepticism surrounding the vegan diet in America, giving it a bad reputation.

This is where the flexitarian approach to eating was developed. The flexitarian diet is a more realistic and attainable diet for people who would never think about go-

ing vegan. It consists of only one serving of red meat per week and focuses on getting calories from mostly plants, having at least one vegetarian day per week. Having this less intense, but still impactful, outlook on our diet is what will make change.

"I'd love to dedicate a day to being vegetarian," said Oakland University junior Cameron Kesto of the flexitarian diet.

However, he further stated he would be much less likely to commit to a full vegan diet.

This conservative diet change takes action against not only animal cruelty, but also the outlook of our future. It is one of the key steps that we must take in order to create a more sustainable environment. Unlike the vegan diet, the flexitarian diet is more suitable for all lifestyles.

According to Earth Day, "If the entire U.S. did not eat meat or cheese for just one day a week, it would be the equivalent of taking 7.6 million cars off the road."



Our global appetite keeps growing, but our world remains the same size. If all seven billion of us make a small change, it will lead to a promising future.

Swim and dive hosts annual Black and Gold Meet

Jonathan Savich
Staff Intern

akland men's and women's swim and dive teams squared off against themselves in a friendly but competitive meeting. The women's gold team won 71-42 and the men's black team won 63-50.

Event one set the tempo of the meet with the 400-yard medley relay. On the women's side of things, the gold team's relay squad of Grace Shinske, Katlynn Emaus, Mady Cislo and Amber Lefler took home first with a final time of 3:47.64, which was 1.16 seconds faster than second place.

As for the men's race, the black team of William Gayne, Tony Eriksson, Mack Flowers and Rudy Aguilar-Fernandez won with a 10-second cushion at 3:22.47.

The following event was the 100-yard freestyle. The women's freestyle was won by Krissy Harmon, who was representing the gold team. The runner-up was another gold team member. Maggie Held put a solid final time of 10:46.98 up. The men's matchup saw Benjamin Davis grab a narrow victory over Danylo Hrebelnyi. The difference in their final time was a mere .56 seconds.

The 50-yard freestyle saw two intense races. The men's gold team's

Paul Huch took home the win in the race with a final time of 20.31. The women's race saw Karlee Marsh win with a time of 23.85.

Another notable event was the 200yard butterfly. For the men's race, Colton Phelps of the black team recorded a final time of 153.5. In the women's race, Cislo of the gold team won by five seconds over fellow gold team member Elloise Clements.

The next race was the 100-yard freestyle. For the women, Katie Colwell of the black team won a tight match with a final time of 52.06. In second place was Marsh of the gold team. This was one of the few matches where the gold team didn't place. Just like the women in this race, the black team had the first place swimmer. Eriksson had a final time of 46.3 which only .86 seconds faster than runner-up Gabe Trevino.

The 200-yard backstroke was won by the gold team for both men and women. For the women's race, Grace Shinke of the gold team clocked a final time of 2:00.19, which was just enough for a first-place finish. For the men, Huch was able to put up another win of his own. Huch clocked a final time 150.33 which was enough to beat William Gayne by 1.72 seconds.

The event got airborne with 3-meter



Ryan Pini / The Oakland Post

Both the men and women's teams won with several members placing first in the different strokes.

diving. The winning score for the women was nice 134.4 points by Sarah Stine of the gold team. As for the men, Joe Smith recorded a score of 160.9 to lock up a win for the black team.

GrizzVision was able to catch up with Head Coach Pete Hovland after the meet.

"I'm really pleased. This time of year we haven't done a lot of racing in our preparation," Hovland said. "We've been trying to get them back in shape with hard lifting, doing a lot of things that will make them tired. The black gold meet has traditionally been one of our fastest meets of the year and I was really pleased where we were top to bottom from our upperclassmen to our new comers."

The last events of the long night were the women's and men's 400-yard freestyle relay. The relay team of Marsh, Cislo, Harmon, and Lefler put the cap on the dominant play of the gold team. The men's race won by the gold team relay squad of Huch, Trevino, Micah Dejinge, and Christian Bart with a time of 3:08.93.

THE SPORTING BLITZ

Volleyball @ UIC

The Oakland volleyball team had a pair of road matches this past weekend, one on Friday, Oct. 12 and another on Saturday, Oct. 13.

On Friday, the team traveled to Chicago to face off against the University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC) Flames in a Horizon League matchup. UIC came into this match with an 11-7 total record and a 4-2 Horizon League record, one of the better teams in the conference.

The match was a domination from UIC, as after the first set where Oakland won 26-24, the Flames rallied back to win three sets in a row. Jamie Walling led the team in kills with 18, and Aleksandra Malek was close behind with 15 kills. Krysteena Davis had a solid defensive game, recording nine blocks.

Volleyball @ Milwaukee

The volleyball team traveled to Milwaukee to face the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Panthers on Saturday, Oct. 14. After dropping the first two sets, the Golden Grizzlies had a tough road to victory, but ended up winning the next two sets.

In the final set, the Panthers were able to just narrowly win, with a score of 21-19. Walling once again led the team in kills with 23, and Davis put together another solid game with six blocks.

The volleyball team has about a week of rest before their next match on Saturday, Oct. 20 against Youngstown State in Ohio. The next time the Golden Grizzlies return to the blacktop is on Friday, Oct. 26 for the Childhood Cancer Awareness game against Milwaukee at 6 p.m..

Women's Tennis @ Toledo

It was a good weekend for the women's tennis team at the Toledo Invite. Despite some singles matches being postponed due to rainy conditions, the Golden Grizzlies were still able to win five singles matches and win two out of three doubles matches on the first day of competition.

Dasha Artamonova had an impressive performance, winning a singles match and doubles match on the first day, and repeating that performance on the second day.

Overall, the team was able to outright win two doubles flights and one singles flight. The pairing of Ava Thielman and Samantha Galloway took the first doubles flight, and Artamonova and Sofia Borcuti took the third doubles flight. Alexandra Whall was also able to win the fourth singles flight.

With Thielman tied for first in the first singles flight, the Golden Grizzlies were able to tie the host school, Toledo, with four flight winners each.

Women's soccer @ Milwaukee

Attempting to build upon back to back 0-0 ties, the women's soccer team

traveled to University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee to face the Panthers on Saturday, Oct. 13. The Golden Grizzlies were unable to stop the 12-1 Panthers from scoring, as they lost 3-1.

Milwaukee scored two unanswered goals in the first 28 minutes, but Oakland responded when defender Ashley Postma forced a turnover and scored a goal, beating a lone Milwaukee defender.

The Panthers responded in three short minutes, scoring their third and final goal of the game. This loss moves the Golden Grizzlies' record to 1-10-3 on the season with three games remaining in the season.

The women's soccer team has their next and final home game on Saturday, Oct. 20 against the UIC Flames. This match against UIC is also senior night for the Golden Grizzlies team.

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Satire

The three spookiest sights at Oakland

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The wind hurts my face, and these midterms hurt my brain. It can only be one time of the year. Spooky month. Oh yes, we are smack dab in the middle of the spookiest month of the year, and just like any other place, Oakland has its own unique spooky sights.

Here are my top three spooky sights/ sounds/smells you will encounter on Oakland University's wonderful campus.

1. The mini car

We've all been here before. Desperately searching through a parking lot, five minutes late to your class. You see a glimmer of hope, your eyes grow wide and you see it. An open parking spot! But your glee quickly turns to pure rage, as there is a Volkswagen Bug or a Mini Cooper parked in that spot, it was just too small to see from afar.

As you drive off looking for another parking spot, you string together many curse words and drive to a parking lot on the opposite side of campus. Now, you are twenty minutes late to class, and your professor gives you the stink eye as you wander into



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Forget about haunted houses and hayrides because some of the sights at OU are even spookier.

their class with a shameful look on your face.

Truly spooky.

2. Vandy's Rockbot

At first during the year we all thought that the RockBot system in the Vandenberg Dining Hall was a great idea. I can pick my own music? Hurray! But oh no, we were all dead wrong. Little did anyone know that this democratic system of up voting and down voting would lead to massive hordes of meme lords playing "Africa" by Toto EVERY. SINGLE. DAY.

This is the spookiest sound of them all, walking into Vandy with dreams of omelettes, only to be greeted by NIGHTMARES of Africa ASSAULTING your ears.

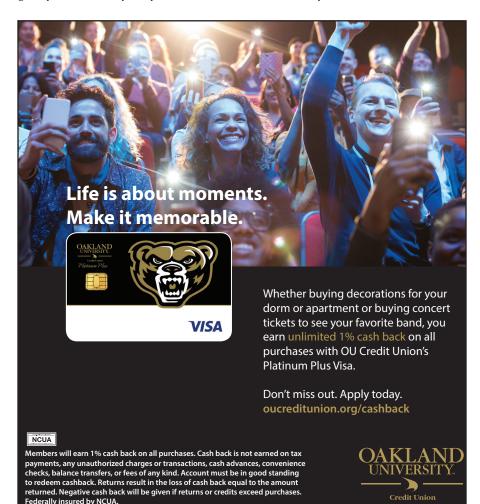
Diverting this to a quick PSA: Whoever is doing this horrendous deed, stop it. Africa is a played out meme and no one thinks you're funny anymore. You're a one trick pony, and you need to have your RockBot privileges stripped for life. I despise you.

3. Saturday afternoon Vandy

Oh no, it's Saturday at 5 p.m., I'm starving, but I don't want to lose my parking spot. Guess I'm headed to Vandy for dinner again. The usual weekday crew is on break and they're short staffed for the weekend. Time to eat the same exact thing I had for lunch! Roast beef and "Herb seasoned chicken" as my meat choices, I guess it's sandwich time.

As I eat this dry chicken just like I did at lunch, I am thoroughly spooked out. I hear "Africa" playing on the speakers above me, and I choke down this food as fast as I can. I go to the parking lot to move my car to a better spot, and I find one! But alas, it is just a motorcycle parked in a car spot. Tears flow from my face as I cry and cry, but the saddest thing of all is that there was a parking spot open in the first row, and some jerk in a pickup truck took it.

Happy Halloween everybody.



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