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Cuts to the Corps

By LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

OU's AmeriCorps will be putting an end to its 10 years of service to the campus and surrounding community on Aug. 31.

As of Thursday, April 8,

AmeriCorps announced it would finish out this grant year, but not renew the grant.

Carol Anne Ketelsen, program manager of Career Services and former program manager of AmeriCorps, said the program has "just come to its

natural end."

She said part of the reason is that the match part of the grant, the part OU and the surrounding community has to pay, got too high.

OU has paid about \$800,000 into AmeriCorps over the past 10 years, and is not in a financial position for that anymore, Ketelsen said.

"They can't afford to continue to do that," she said.

Also, other sources of support have dried up, Ketelsen said.

Another reason for the shut down is that the federal government is evaluating how long a program can be a program, and OU's AmeriCorps program could end up being too old to continue.

"We've had a good run," Ketelsen said.

She said she thinks the students will be greatly impacted by the closing.

P.S.

AmeriCorps Stats

- 10 years at OU
- 441 student volunteers during time at OU
- 566 community service projects
- 7,437 total member hours
- More than \$1 million paid out in living wages to AmeriCorps members
- More than \$600,000 in education stipends

She estimated that students from nearly every degree area have served in AmeriCorps and received academic credit.

"I think it's going to be a huge impact," she said.

Students who have already been awarded edu-

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Over the red line

Board hears report of theater's successful year

By REBECCA WYATT
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Nine months after Meadow Brook Theatre was sold by OU to the Meadow Brook Theatre Ensemble, reports given to the board of trustees last week indicate the show has gone on.

David Downing, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said the Ensemble and the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance (MTD) have crafted a relationship bringing new opportunities for students.

He said this year, the Ensemble has "exceeded very high expectations."

Downing said there are currently five faculty and two staff members from MTD directly involved in the theatre, seven cur-

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Parking tickets sticky wickets

By REBECCA WYATT
EDITOR IN CHIEF

OU alumnus Mike Hoskins thought after graduation in December 2001, he was done paying money to OU.

Last month, though, Hoskins learned otherwise. He received a bill for \$1,880 from a collection agency and it wasn't for back tuition, it was for outstanding parking tickets.

Hoskins said most of his tickets came from parking illegally or at meters where he just let the time expire without moving his car.

He said he collected 37 tickets in all and didn't pay the initial \$20 fine per ticket.

"Once I started accumulating so many and they (OU Police Department) didn't come after me, I said 'why bother,'" Hoskins said. "My mentality was it's a university cop, it's a university ticket, it doesn't hold any bearing outside of the university world."

Hoskins said he learned he was wrong

when he started receiving delinquency notices from Professional Account Management company in the mail for his tickets dating back to the fall of 1998.

According to OU Police Department, (OUPD) Chief Samuel Lucido, there is no statute of limitations on parking tickets. He said OU parking tickets are \$20, except handicapped violations, which are \$50.

He said after ten days, a \$10 late fee is assessed, after 60 days another \$10 is added and after 90 days another \$10.

Lucido said the parking tickets are given to ensure the safety of campus. He said people who park on the ends of aisles create a hazard for emergency vehicles that may need to get through, and the metered spaces are designed for people performing quick university related business in high traffic areas. He said it provides those people with a convenience.

While a portion of the parking fine does go to OU, Lucido said OUPD is not giving tickets to make money.

Like many other students, Hoskins owes



Rebecca Wyatt/The Oakland Post
A driver illegally parks a car Tuesday near the OC and will return to a ticket.

money, but it could have been worse. The students' drivers' license can be suspended, renewal rights revoked and a warrant can be issued for the student's arrest after six citations, according to the back of a parking ticket.

Hoskins said he doesn't dispute the fact that he got tickets, or that he owes the money.

"I am going to pay it and I'm working with the agency to pay it," he said.

Student support

Trustee funds scholarships for single-parent students

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

"It's the best type of gift someone can give. A person who gives kids like me the chance to get an education is a hero," said Lauren Oswalt, a Sterling Heights resident and high school senior from a single parent household.

The hero she speaks of is OU board of trustees Chair Henry Baskin.

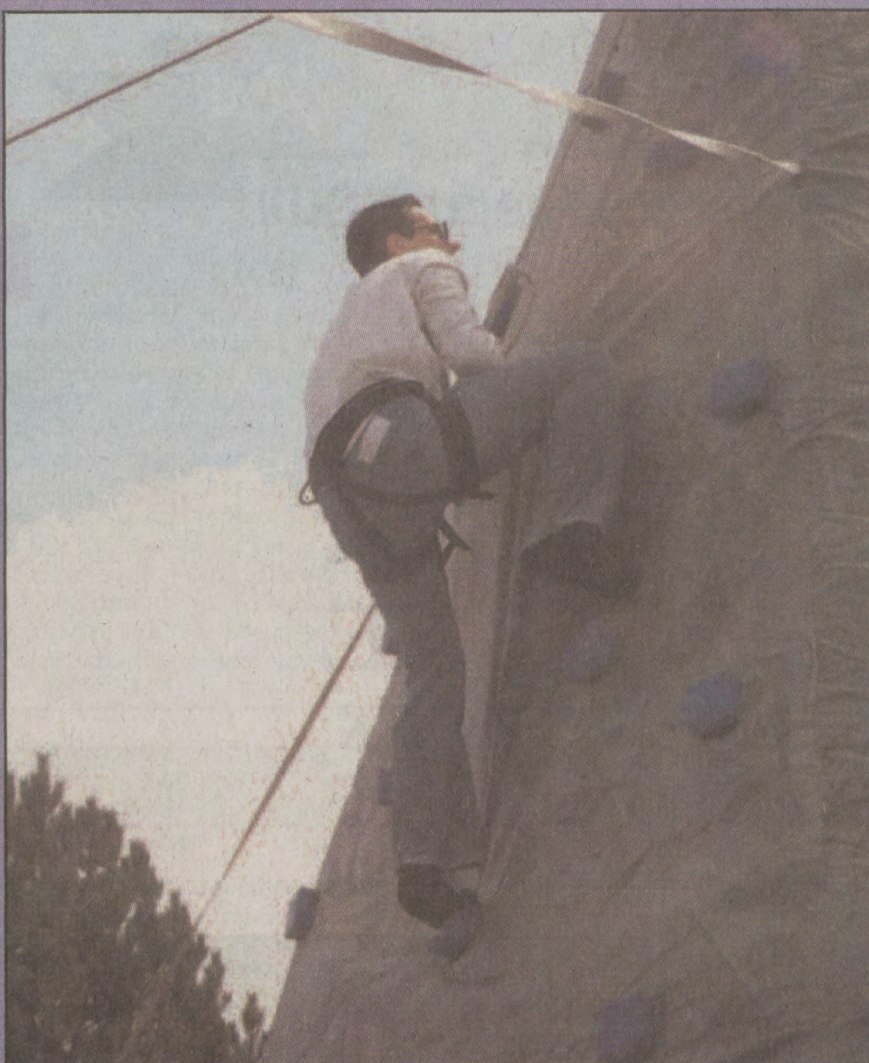
On April 17, Baskin announced his donation of \$500,000 for scholarships to students of single-parent homes and to support the Judaic Studies courses in the College of Arts and Sciences.

As a respected family law attorney and part of the child support division of the Department of the Attorney General, Baskin has seen the financial problems that face single-parent households when it comes to paying for college.

"The law doesn't provide for child support after the age of 18," Baskin said. "There is no

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Climbing walls



Tracy Estes/The Oakland Post
Students climb a rock wall Monday outside O'Dowd as part of Volkswagen's Major Motion Picture event. A DJ, games, prizes, test-drives of VW cars and a drawing for a lease of a new car brought students to the tent all day long.

Taking their place

New members start their terms as OUSC leaders

By KANIQUA S. DANIEL
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

As the school year approaches its end, two young men, along with 24 other students, face a new beginning—leading OU Student Congress (OUSC).

During Monday's meeting, the returning president, Jonathan Parks, new vice-president Michael McGuinness and OUSC legislators were all sworn in by taking the oath of office.

While this marks the second consecutive year for Parks leading OU's student body, the first occurrence in OU history, many of the members are taking on a new challenge, with a positive outlook.

"There is a lot of optimism and opportunity with this coming year," McGuinness said.



Alexis Smith/The Oakland Post
New members of OU's Student Congress and Legislature are sworn in.

Adding to the confident persona of the new OUSC, Parks explained why he nominated certain individuals to the executive board, all of whom were approved.

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ACLU chapter at OU

By JUSTIN MULARSKI
THE OAKLAND POST

The role of civil rights and civil liberties in post-September 11 America is sure to be a hot button political issue in the upcoming presidential election.

Now, OU students will have the chance to join the debate through the new chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union

(ACLU) on campus.

The OU Chapter of the ACLU was the idea of political science major Andrew Grusnick, junior.

Curious over the firestorm surrounding the Patriot Act, a topic he found few people knew much about, Grusnick stumbled upon the ACLU's position on the controversial legislation, researched the organization himself, and was inspired to bring its message

to OU.

"Especially interesting to me was the fact that the ACLU really stood alone in its support of Asian Americans during World War II, working to end internment camps," Grusnick said.

"This really speaks of the type of group that the ACLU is: a defender of rights not afraid to

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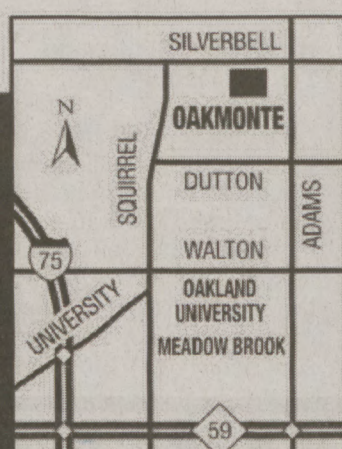
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Students petition for ASL

BY TERESA PIZZORNI
THE OAKLAND POST

One student's battle against OU foreign language policy is beginning to gain some momentum.

The student is fighting to have American Sign Language (ASL) count for OU's foreign language requirement. He recently started a petition in hopes of bringing attention to this cause.

As of now, OU does offer ASL classes. However, they do not count towards the university's foreign language requirement.

Wally Andersen, junior, is trying to change this.

He has been working on a petition that currently has more than 200 student signatures.

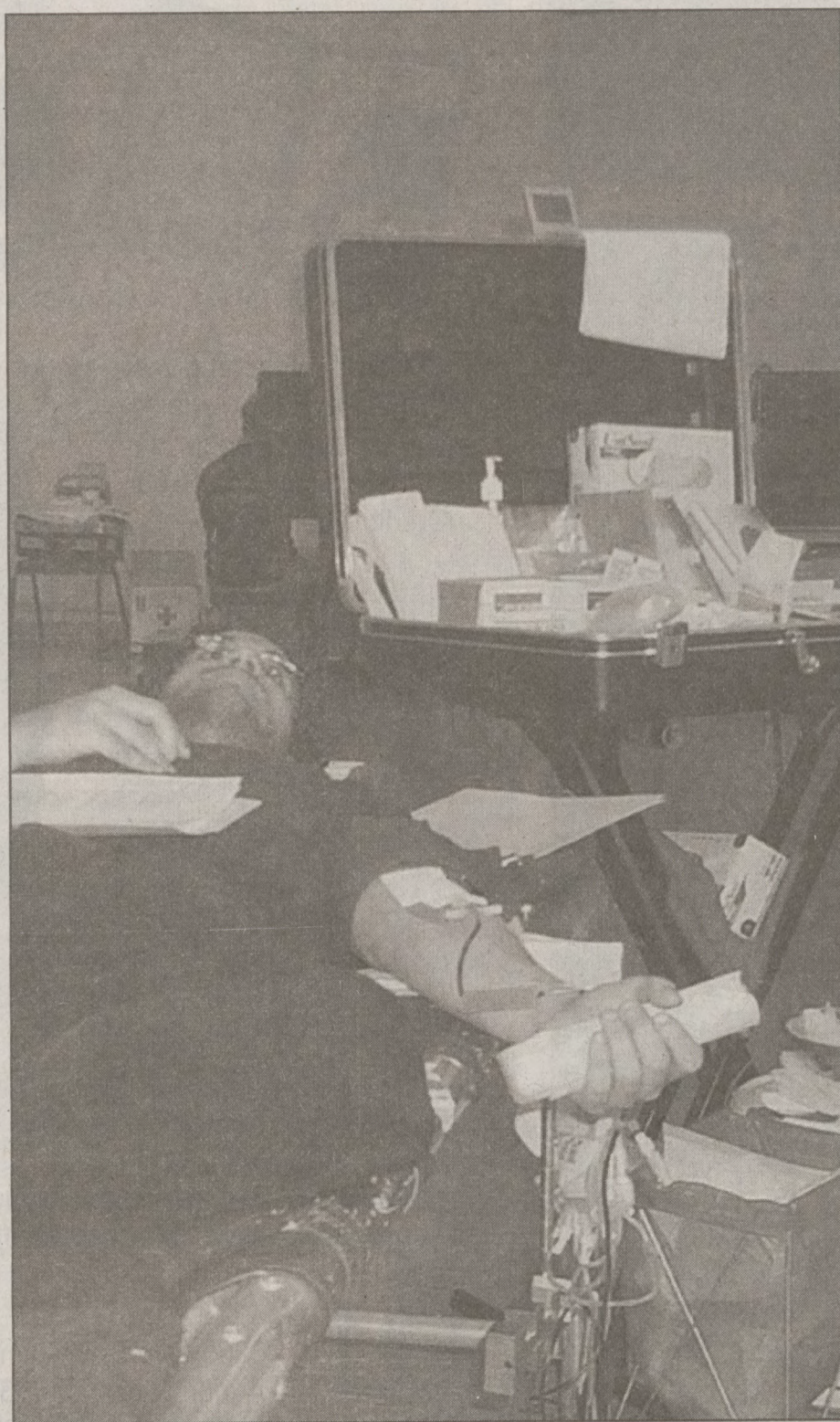
"The purpose of Oakland University's foreign language requirement is not only to give students the ability to communicate with people who speak a different language, but also to introduce students to a different culture," said Andersen. "The deaf community has a very distinct culture and is the fourth most commonly used language in the U.S."

Although petitions concerning ASL counting as foreign language credit have been tried before, this time Anderson said he hopes things will be different.

Andersen presented his petition at Monday's OU's Student Congress meeting.

Allison Hilliker, OUSC legislator, opposed this proposal.

"Sign language is a way of communicating the English language for deaf people," Hilliker said. "So it shouldn't be classified as a foreign language...it's a form of the American language."



Laura Angus/The Oakland Post
Senior Omar Badr gives blood last Wednesday in the Gold Rooms of the OC. Two hundred nineteen students, faculty and staff donated blood last week, exceeding the goal for the drive.

OU gives 219 pints

Students, faculty and staff exceed goal for '04 Spring Blood Drive

BY KRISTEN HERLIHY
THE OAKLAND POST

OU students deserve a pat on the back this week – 219 pints of blood were donated at the Spring Blood Drive that kicked off Monday, April 5. Bandaged students streamed out of the OC Gold Rooms after giving the gift of life.

"The goal was exceeded," Paul Franklin, coordinator of Campus Programs, said. "Each person donated a pint and there were some people who were deferred."

According to Carol Furlong of the American Red Cross, each pint saves three lives and 657 people will be saved from OU's effort.

The blood drive wasn't the first time OU students have stepped up to do their part – it was just one of four scheduled drives held on campus throughout the year. The frequent opportunities to donate have become a team tradition for OU swimmers and divers.

Swimmer Martin Moen said he enjoys donating because it's a rewarding experience each time.

"Community service is something we take pride in, both as a team and as an Athletic Department," Moen said. "We love the support our teams receive from the community, and we want to say thanks."

The Red Cross requires donors to be healthy, at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds. People can only donate once every 56 days and it's recommended donors are well rested and have eaten a good breakfast, preferably rich in iron. It's also important to drink lots of water to replace the volume you will donate.

"We all expect blood to be there for us, but barely a fraction of those who can give do," the Red Cross Web site reads. "Sooner or later, virtually all of us will face a time of great vulnerability in which we will need blood...and that time is all too often unexpected."

In the wake of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, many Americans have been doing their part to ensure a

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Two professors awarded high rank

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

Since 1988, OU has been awarding faculty the rank of Distinguished Professor. Two more teachers were bestowed with the honor at last week's board of trustees (BOT) meeting.

Michael Chopp and Robert T. Eberwein were recommended and accepted as Distinguished Professors by the BOT.

Both Chopp and Eberwein have received national acclaim for their studies in medical physics and film studies, respectively.

Chopp joined OU's physics department in 1976 and has since become a specialist in the field of medical physics.

His work, more than 300 research publications, has been cited thousands of times and has contributed significantly in the areas of magnetic resonance imaging, the physics of strokes, photodynamic therapy and brain cell repair and replacement.

As the pioneer of the concept of brain remodeling through the development of therapies to enhance and restore neurological function after injury, stroke or dis-

ease. Chopp earned recognition throughout the world and was cited as one of the top 10 medical advances of 2001 by the American Heart Association, an OU press release said.

Chopp's efforts have led the way in many areas, ranging from the development of methods for making sub-ventricular cells visible to non-invasive imaging to demonstrating the profound effects of brain temperature on stroke and neural injury, which spawned a worldwide research effort, Moudgil said at the BOT meeting.

His work has been supported by more than \$20 million in grant funding.

Chopp has also put students at the forefront of medical physics, with more than 160 of his publications including OU students as coauthors.

Other opportunities have been opened up to doctoral students in medical physics through Chopp's partnership with Henry Ford Hospital, where he does his research in specially equipped labs in the Neurology Department.

The research done by Chopp

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BOT awards Wilson, Service awards

BY LIBBY BAKER
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

Three graduating seniors were honored with the university's most prestigious awards, the Alfred G. and Matilda R. Wilson awards and the Human Relations award, during the board of trustees (BOT) April 7 meeting.

Genafer Hintz, Rhonda Hanna and Brad Whitmer were selected as this year's recipients.

The awards are presented annually and winners receive a monetary stipend.

A committee composed of faculty, administrators and students selects potential award winners. The committee reviews the nominations and holds personal interviews with nominees before making its recommendation of the top students to Mary Beth Snyder, vice president for Student Affairs.

Snyder then presents the candidates to OU President Gary Russi, who makes the final decision.



Genafer Hintz



Brad Whitmer



Rhonda Hanna

Snyder said the committee looks for a student with stellar academic achievements, outstanding leadership qualities, a positive demeanor and outstanding individual characteristics.

"They (award winners) show they care about what happens to others and what happens to Oakland University," she said.

Hintz is this year's recipient of the Human Relations award.

The award, established in 1990 by university President Joseph E. Champagne, honors students who have a commitment to social justice and a mul-

ticultural initiative.

Hintz, a history major pursuing a secondary education certification, was involved in a variety of organizations and leadership positions during her time on campus.

She said she always tried to reach out to other organizations.

"It's (winning the award) an acknowledgment that I have succeeded in making a difference... and for that I'm very happy," she said.

Hintz plans on student teach-

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Police Beat

- A student developed signs of an asthma attack in her West Vandenberg Hall dorm room, Tuesday, April 6. Paramedics were called and the girl asked her cousin to take her to the hospital for evaluation.

- A female was arrested at Anibal Hall Wednesday, April 7. OUPD was called after what was thought to be an attempted suicide, but police found the student try-

ing to kill her roommate by choking her.

OUPD arrived as the complainant was washing blood off her arms and neck, and police asked her to locate her roommate. The responding sergeant noted the bruising on the girl's neck and told the other she was under arrest for domestic violence.

The girl resisted arrest and was forced to the ground and handcuffed. She

was taken to Pontiac Hospital to be checked out, before being transported to the Oakland County Jail.

- Officers responded to the sounds of possible gunshots coming from Hamlin Hall, Thursday, April 8.

The officer did not see anything suspicious, but did stay in the patrol car to observe the area.

A student living in the dorm said she was in her

room at the time and heard what sounded like firecrackers coming from outside. The officer did a walk through of the building and did notice a smell of recently ignited firecrackers on the seventh floor.

There was no one in the area at the time and there are no suspects at this time.

- A woman was walking to her parked car in the P-26 parking lot after leaving the

Rec Center, Saturday, April 10 when she noticed a strange male standing next to her driver's side door.

She said it appeared as if he were trying to open the door after peering into the car's front and back seats. The woman said the male noticed her walking toward him and immediately walked three cars away and got into another car.

She did manage to write down the license plate num-

ber of the vehicle and called OUPD April 11 to report the incident.

The department did run the plate and it came back clear and valid to a 60-year-old man. He does, however, have a son, whom the woman said fit the general description. She described him as a white male, dark hair and average build and said she would not recognize him again if she saw him.



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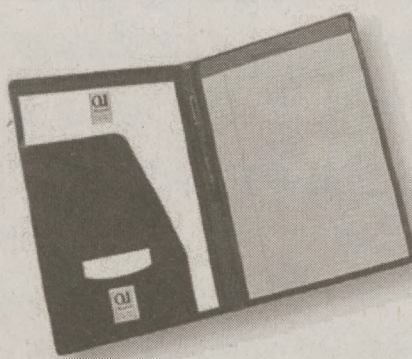
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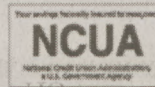
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Pre-exam PERK offered

By ROQAYA ASHMAWEY
THE OAKLAND POST

Kirk Hensler had an exam in his introduction to sociology class, but didn't bring a scantron. "I had to get up and go to the other side of the room," he said.

His professor noticed and

"kinda laughed," noting that he had forgotten his scantron, Hensler said.

The freshman said he's always the student who has to ask a neighbor for a scantron come exam time.

This semester, students won't have to worry about rushing to buy scantrons last minute if they catch a PERK on time.

PERK stands for "Pre-

Exam Rescue Kit," said Karen Meyer, secretary of the political science department chair.

According to Meyer, the OU Professional Support Association (OUPSA), organized under the National Education Association and the Michigan Education Association, chose this project to express support and

appreciation to students as finals week approaches.

"As part of our commitment to the university community," the OUPSA wants to support "the people who make our jobs here enjoyable — the OU students," she said.

On Thursday, April 15, any student who stops by table four at the OC will receive a PERK, which is a

reusable bag carrying pencils, candy, scantrons and other materials, Meyer said. PERKS will be given out from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. "or until the PERKS run out," she added.

Hensler said he thinks the idea of PERKS is "cool ... now I don't have to go last minute to buy scantrons."



LAURA ANGUS
Campus News Editor

Getting involved is what counts

It's been an amazing two years, and I have learned a lot during my time here.

What could be the most important thing I've learned is that classes are important, only to a limited extent.

What really matters is what you do.

This is where many of us will spend four or more years. Do we really want to end up forgotten after we leave?

Or, do you want to make the same kind of indelible mark on OU that OU will make on you?

One easy way to get started is to join an organization. If you look through the Center for Student Activities' Web site, www3.oakland.edu/oakland/currentstudents/csa, you can find a list of OU's many organizations.

If joining an organization is too big of a step, you could start by going to one of the events listed on the site.

There's a plethora of opportunities here, for pretty much any interest, hobby or major.

Interested in politics? How about the College Democrats, or College Republicans?

Radio? WXOU is looking for new DJs all the time.

Do you want to take part in planning events on campus? Why not stop over at the Student Program Board office?

If you live in the dorms, and don't want to venture too far from your room, you could try Residence Halls Council, or become a resident assistant.

Student Congress meets every Monday, where it deals with student concerns and issues on campus. Although the legislature is currently full, you could stop in at a meeting and find out about getting involved.

You can join one of the many multicultural organizations on campus. You can learn about your heritage, or a people you're interested in.

Also, there are many Greek organizations you can join. Many fraternities and sororities will be rushing this coming fall, and are responsible for many of the great events on campus.

Or, you could always stop in at everyone's favorite student-run newspaper and write an article, help layout or copy edit. You don't even have to be a journalism major.

And if none of these appeal to you, find some of your fellow students who share your interests and form a new organization.

Pretty much every organization will welcome you with open arms, and they've made the first step by being accessible.

It's up to you to make the next step, find something you're passionate about and get involved.

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Assistant VP awarded 2004 Outstanding AP

By LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, Sheryl Klemanski, got her start at OU in 1978 as a student employee in the Evening and Extension program.

After her graduation in 1982, Klemanski stayed at OU, even though her work had nothing to do with her degree.

She said she was attending OU to obtain a Bachelor's of Science in Elementary Education with a major in math. After her graduation, she was hired into a temporary position in the Evening and Extension program.

Since then, she has served as the program manager, assistant to the dean of graduate study and assistant dean in the School of Business Administration.

Now, she works in the Academic Affairs office, mainly trying to find money in its budget to help expand programs at OU.

"It's a balancing act, it really is,"

she said.

She also advises division staff on personnel issues, assists the Provost in implementing policies and procedures impacting Academic Affairs and serves on numerous divisional and university committees.

When Klemanski started at OU, she assumed she would end up teaching elementary school, she said. But this opportunity "kind of fell in my lap," and she stuck with it.

"Student employment can really open a lot of doors," she said.

Not only has Klemanski been at OU, but her family is active in the university. Her husband, John Klemanski, is a professor of political science, her sister, Roberta Clark, is an office assistant in the School of Business Administration and her other brother and sister graduated from OU.

Her more than 20 years at OU will be recognized with the 2004 Outstanding Administrative/Professionals (AP)

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Laura Angus/The Oakland Post

Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs Sheryl Klemanski will be presented with the 2004 Outstanding AP award in May.

MTD's shining stars

By ROXANNA RIVES
THE OAKLAND POST

Twenty OU students and alumni are being recognized for artistic achievements in the department of Music, Theatre and Dance.

The honorees will be presented with an award known as a MaTiDa on April 19.

The MaTiDa awards, created in 1999, are given to a special student or alumni nominated by faculty for displaying great progression and achievement in the performing arts.

The award was named after Matilda Dodge Wilson. Cleverly using the M T and D in her first name, to stand for Music, Theatre, and Dance.

The honorees are a group that will be receiving various types of recognition in the performing arts and are gathered together for what is now called the MaTiDa awards.

They are notified ahead of time and receive a letter about their distinguished award for their commitment and performance in the fine arts.



Courtesy of the Music, Theater and Dance Department
The MaTiDa awards will be given to 20 OU students and alumni at the ceremony on April 19.

The banquet held for the awards includes a cash bar, formal dinner and entertainment consisting of performances given by the honorees. Most awaited, the awards themselves are handed out at the end.

This year, there are 20 awards total — varying from distinguished musicianship to achievement awards in theatre and music.

"The students can be quite competitive for a MaTiDa award," said awards planning committee member Manjit Gill.

WHP to educate on injury prevention

By LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Accidental injuries kill an estimated 101,537 people in the United States each year, making it the fifth leading cause of death.

Because of this, seniors Jason Kinley and Kelly Rieck, along with the Wellness, Health Promotion and Injury Prevention (WHP) program, will hold OU's second annual Injury Prevention Day from 11-2 p.m. on Friday, April 16 in the P-2 parking lot between the OC and Wilson Hall.

Last year's event was disrupted by an ice storm, said Stafford Rorke, director of the WHP program. But this year, it's much bigger.

"This year, we raised the bar considerably," he said.

The Auburn Hills and Rochester Hills Fire Departments, OU Police Department and health care professionals will demonstrate on fire safety, alcohol awareness, Automated External Defibrillator use and other safety topics.

Also, Captain Martha Dee Kent of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Health, U.S. Public Health

Service, will give an injury prevention presentation at noon in the Fireside Lounge. She will be job recruiting on Thursday, and interested students should contact Career Services to find out more information, said Kinley.

There will also be poster demonstrations about injury prevention from students in the WHP 310 class.

Kinley said one of the major events of the day will be a house fire simulator, where people can experience what it's like inside of a burning house and try to escape.

Also, there will be hands on use of fire extinguishers to learn how to use them and how hard it is to put out a fire, he said.

P.S.

Injury Prevention Day
11-2 p.m.
Friday, April 16
Parking lot P-2,
between the OC
and Wilson Hall

Students work to preserve river

By KARL BUCHMAN
THE OAKLAND POST

The Clinton River Watershed Council is advising students not to dump waste into the storm drains on campus.

Chris Moore, sophomore, is helping to paint storm drains on campus to make them more noticeable to students.

"We want to create awareness about the problem," Moore said. "What goes into those storm drains goes right into the Clinton River, and if you've seen the Clinton River, you know how bad it is."

The Council is most concerned about substances such as paint and motor oil going into the drains and being dumped into the Clinton River.

The group has already painted many storm drains around South Foundation Hall. This is the group's first year in trying to correct the problem, and are hoping more people will take notice.

"Injury prevention is an often overlooked part of health care," said Kinley. He said people usually focus on fixing someone after they are "broken" rather than prevent the problem.

Rorke said this event is important for students in the WHP program because they are learning about their majors, and putting together this event and their demonstrations.

"It's one thing to have knowledge, it's another to do things," said Rorke.

The event is in honor of World Health Day, which is today, Wednesday, April 14.

BASKIN

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law that says after that, parents have to provide for their children to go to college.”
The law cannot go after a parent for tuition money, Baskin said, but he hopes his gift will be able to help children, like Oswalt, who are in situations where one parent cannot cover the cost of education. Baskin said he feels an education should be available to all who wish to pursue it, no matter what their financial situation may be.
“There is no reason why students should have to pay to become educated to help those

less fortunate,” Baskin said.
He emphasized the fact that an education is important for everyone who plans to take part in today’s market.
“I hope (the donation) will help in a time of crisis in and around the state and country,” Baskin said. “We need education to participate completely in the global economy.”
OU President Gary Russi said Baskin’s gift shows his compassion and dedication to his work and the OU community.
“We are extremely grateful to Henry for all of his contributions

to Oakland University today and throughout the years,” Russi said. “The gift is further testament to his abiding passion and commitment to Oakland and its students.”
Baskin said he hopes his generosity will inspire others.
“There is a day in the distant future when education will be free of charge to all Americans who wish to participate,” he said. “For now, it is up to the private sector to help ease the burden on students and families.”

CORPS

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cation awards will still be able to complete their 900 hours of community service and receive their scholarships. Because of this, there may be OU students who are still volunteering for AmeriCorps after Aug. 31.
But, there will be no new awards granted, Ketelsen said.
“It’s truly a loss for our community,” said Michael McGuinness,

second year AmeriCorps member and junior.
He said this will limit students’ abilities to contribute to the community, and at the same time help pay for their educations.
Another major effect of the program’s end will be on the surrounding community, in places like Pontiac schools, the Baldwin Church and Center and 4-H.

“I don’t know what these sites will do,” Ketelsen said.
OU AmeriCorps students design, plan and run afterschool events, tutoring and other programs “100 percent,” she said.
It’s estimated that in 10 years, OU AmeriCorps members have had 27,575 student contacts, tutored 3,257 students and served 30,832 children.

ACLU

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challenge the status quo.”
While his Internet research on the organization was Grusnick’s first real exposure to the ACLU, his support of its cause was cemented when he attended a meeting of its Oakland County Board.
“(The meeting) brought me to the decision that Oakland University needed a way to promote knowledge of these issues,” he said. “After the meeting, I discussed the idea with students and faculty who all showed support for starting an ACLU chapter at OU.”
Grusnick hopes this organization can educate the OU community on civil rights and liberties issues, promote discussion of

those issues on campus, and to help those at OU who feel their rights have been violated, deal with the problem through counseling and by putting them in touch with the proper authorities.
The national branch of the ACLU is often at the center of political controversy, frequently being attacked by conservative Republicans who characterize the organization, wrongly, according to Grusnick, as “an extremely liberal, anti-Christian, biased interest group.”
“The role of the ACLU is to uphold the rights and liberties that have been granted to us based upon the constitution and legal precedent,” he said. “The ACLU has consistently supported the

positions of issues spanning across the political spectrum.”
Anyone with questions or concerns about civil rights and liberties, or anyone who would like to make up their own mind about the work of the ACLU can attend a meeting of the OU chapter, held at 3 p.m. on Wednesdays in the OC Membership in the OU chapter does not require membership in the national chapter, and is open to all students and faculty members.
For more information on the OU chapter of the ACLU, e-mail OaklandUACLU@hotmail.com. For more information on the national organization, visit www.aclu.org.

BOT

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rent or former MTD students in plays, 15 students working backstage, nine students working in the front office and five alumni employed by the theater.
Lynne Schaefer, vice president of Finance and Administration said the university has received \$31,766 in lease revenue from the MBTE, and the payments have been prompt.
According to the board report, the total lease revenue is projected to be \$60,000 for the year, and OU will have about \$35,000 in costs for utilities and insurance and \$1,500 in structural and maintenance costs.
The report states, OU “still maintains the structural buildings that house MBTE, as they did while operating the MBTE. Per the agreement, the Ensemble is responsible for general maintenance and repair of the facilities.”
Schaefer said OU projects annual net revenues of \$25,000-\$30,000 a year from the theatre.
Board chair Henry Baskin congratulated MBTE for “stopping the losses and turning around

and making a profit.”
John Manfredi, managing director for the theatre, said the success of the theater this year has not come without hard work.
He said the key has been being “able to do more for less.”
Manfredi said MBTE has maintained one of its core missions, to be mentors to MTD and get students involved. He said it is rare to have a regional theater on campus available to undergraduate theater students.
According to Manfredi, MBTE still has one challenge.
“One of the things we have to do is find the corporate money,” Manfredi said.
He said if people in the private sector want to continue to have the Meadow Brook Theatre available to them, they have to give to the mission.
In other Board action:
• Lowry Child Care Center, which is run by OU’s School of Education and Human Services (SEHS), will experience a \$28,000 budget shortfall this year.

SEHS Dean Mary Otto said there are more expenses for Lowry this year because more classrooms are open, and the facility is still new. She said there are plans in place to overcome the shortfall including an extensive summer program.
• Admin 701, the admissions program that would speed up notifying applicants of their status, has been approved by the board pending a contract. The software would be used to scan applications, provide OU faculty and staff the ability to review them and provide a response to students within three days compared to the 3-20 weeks it currently takes. The cost of the software will be offset by a \$5 increase in undergraduate application fees and \$20 for graduate applications.
Baskin said it was important to approve the purchase of the software so the admissions office can move forward.
“You don’t know if you’ll be sifting through paper or staring at a screen,” Baskin said.



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Attention All OU Education Seniors and Alumni

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- Interview schedules are posted on our website under eRecruiting@OU now through April 18th

Please contact Career Services at 370-3250 for further details.

PERKS (Pre-Exam Rescue Kits) have arrived!
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Good luck on your finals!

Congratulations to all those students who will graduate at May 1st commencement!

Academic Skills Center

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The Academic Skills Center will end all walk-in and appointment tutoring at 5 PM on Friday, April 16, 2004 to allow our tutoring staff to prepare for their final exams. Evening hours at 121 West Vandenberg Hall will cease on Wednesday, April 14, 2004 at 10 PM. Please plan your tutoring sessions accordingly.

Attention All OU Students All Majors & Ethnicities Wanted

The Department of Learning Resources is hiring for its KCP Extended College Day Program at OU during the summer. The following positions are available: Peer Mentor (7 positions available), and Nightwatch Person (2 positions available, 1 male, 1 female).

Qualifications include a minimum 2.5 GPA and sophomore class standing by the end of spring semester. Applicants must agree to a background check and commit to all 4 weeks of the program, plus training. Applications and detailed job descriptions are available in 103 North Foundation Hall. Interested persons should speak with Candace Rogers.

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- Questions: Call 248-370-3218

The staff in the Student Affairs Division would like to wish OU students the best of luck on finals. We also hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Local News

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April reflects on art

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

OU senior Jeff Mason has a garage full of glasses, vases and mirrors but he's not an avid shopper.

His collection is more than just decoration, it is an art.

Mason has hand blown more than 25 glass pieces and thinks the art form needs more mainstream exposure.

For 24 years, Michigan has been trying to bring some attention to this medium and its hard working artisans by promoting it during April, Michigan Glass Month.

The Michigan Glass Month Committee, was formed in 1980 "to educate and promote public awareness of the varied kinds of glasses, their use in industry, in the home, and in art ... and to focus on Michigan artists who are using glass as their chosen material for artistic expression," according to its Web site.

Herb Babcock of the Michigan Glass Month Committee said more than 30 galleries participate annually from hosting exhibitions and displays to featuring workshops and demonstrations.

"We hope to increase awareness among those not familiar with the medium of glass," Babcock said.

While not everyone appreciates the fine art of glass blowing, many people feel it is a worthwhile hobby and deserving art form.

"It's a great way to get exposure to the art," said sophomore studio art student Jenny Henley. "I attended a workshop last year and the live demonstration was a lot of fun."

Hannah Jansen, a curator at Ypsilanti Glassworks, said the



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Above: Artisan Steven Weinberg's hand blown glass art was displayed at the Habatat Gallery in Royal Oak during last year's events.

Left: The colorful "pate de verre" glass was a favorite last year. This piece was displayed with other vases by Kimiaki Higuchi.



demonstrations draw large crowds.

"People are often surprised to see what goes into glass work," Jansen said. "They like seeing the artisans work with the fire and liquid glass."

Mason agreed that the art of glass blowing has qualities that appeal not only to the artists, but to everyone who views the finished products.

"Glass is a very quixotic medi-

um. It's dangerous, beautiful and visceral," said Mason. "Michigan Glass Month is a step forward for the art community."

Ypsilanti Glassworks is just one of the many galleries participating in this month's events.

For more information on Michigan Glass Month or local events, visit the Michigan Glass Month home page at www.reedonline.com.

Affirmative action caught in tangle

By TRACY ESTES
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

Affirmative action is the topic of debate among Michigan big-wigs this week. The State of Michigan is appealing a decision that denied a petition to change the state constitution.

The petition was originally filed by the Michigan Civil Rights Initiative (MCRI). The organization is trying to collect 317,757 valid signatures to "amend the Michigan Constitution to prohibit the University of Michigan and all other state entities from discriminating or granting preferential treatment based on race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin," according to the MCRI Web site.

The state law allows anyone to amend sections of the constitution with approximately 317,000 signatures by July 6 of this year. The gathering of the signatures can only take place 180 days before the due date.

Numerous organizations, including the Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action and Integration, Fight For Equality By Any Means Necessary (BAMN), United for Equality and Affirmative Action (UEAA), Michigan Legislative Black Caucus and the AFSCME Locals 207 and 312, took exception to the form of the petition. After the State Board of Canvassers approved it, the organizations filed a lawsuit against the board December 11, 2003.

The case was heard by Judge Paula Manderfield on March 22, and she subsequently denied the petition on March 25.

George B. Washington, attorney for BAMN, said the problem with the petition is that it was not truthful in telling signers what exactly it was they were signing.

"Anyone who read (the petition) wouldn't know what it was about - reading it, they will think its against racial discrimination, when really it is not," he said.

The petition was 387 words long, which Washington said came directly from Proposition 209 of the constitution of California, word for word.

Ward Connerly, who first convinced his colleagues on the board of regents of the effects of racial preferences at the

University of California in 1995, introduced the proposal for Proposition 209. On Nov. 5, 1996, with a 54.4 percent voting margin, Proposition 209 was used to amend the California state constitution.

Since the passing of 209, Connerly has been on a crusade to present the idea of eliminating racial preferences in Florida, Washington and now in Michigan.

The hearing against the board of canvassers was taken to court because MCRI asked the Michigan State Board of Canvassers to approve the petition, as to form. BAMN and the other organizations wrote a letter stating the proposed petition "failed to comply with certain form requirements as set forth in the Michigan Election Law."

BAMN was mainly concerned with a few of the 387 filler words, said Washington.

"Stuck right in the middle of the second paragraph, it says 'The state shall not discriminate against or grant preferential treatment to...' and this is clearly deceptive to someone signing the petition," he said.

On Dec. 11, 2003, the board voted three approving the petition and one member abstaining. Monday, April 12, the board reached a unanimous decision with four votes against the petition.

"The argument is not about the substance of the issue of affirmative action, but whether the petition is in the right form," said Matt Davis, spokesperson for Attorney General Mike Cox. "It's not a race issue."

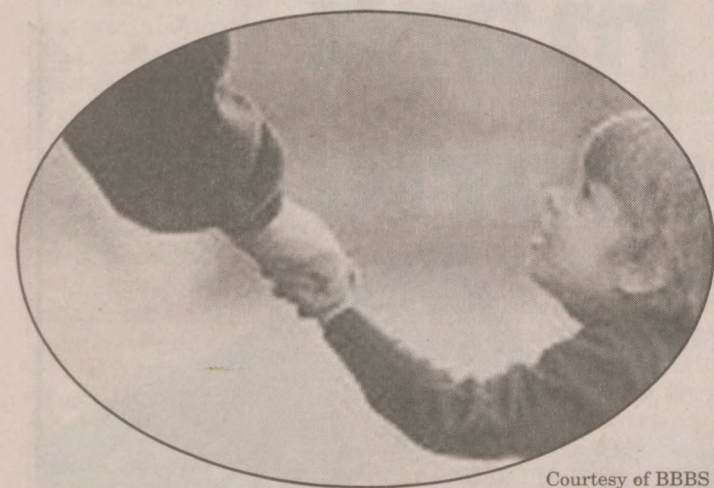
With Manderfield's decision against the petition, Davis said the state is going to continue to appeal the circuit court's decision.

OU is one campus that does not consider race when admitting students to the university.

"Race is not a situation here at Oakland," said Ted Montgomery, director of media relations. "Affirmative action does not fit into our admissions criteria."

Senior Megan Spaulding is against affirmative action, believing that everyone should be treated the same when it comes to academic and career opportunities.

"There should be equal opportunity to a point where everyone has a fair chance and it shouldn't matter what your race or ethnicity is," she said. "They shouldn't discriminate against people to fit a certain quota."



Courtesy of BBBS

Oakland makes mentors easy to find, help

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

Oakland County hosts a variety of mentoring programs for students, young children, teens and seniors but with all the possibilities, it can be hard for residents to find exactly what they are looking for.

A new group that supports the mentoring programs is helping residents find local programs that meet their needs.

The Metro Detroit Mentor Collaboration is collecting information to assist interested community members in finding or becoming mentors.

In its inaugural year, the group currently supports seven local organizations, including the Mentoring Matters: Jewish Family Service and Oakland County Mentor Plus.

According to the National Mentoring Partnerships' Web site, more than 17 million young people need mentors nationwide, but only 14 percent of those are involved in formal mentoring programs.

Jerry Epstein of the

Partnerships' Human Resources Department said a main reason for this is that people don't know how to get involved.

"People with specific needs aren't able to find the type of mentors they need," he said. "It's just difficult to match all those in need with those volunteering to help."

Kris Marshall, founder of the Metro Detroit Mentor Collaboration and director of Winning Futures mentoring programs in Wayne, Macomb and Oakland, said that is the goal of this program.

"We want to create a professional organization for mentoring programs," Marshall said in a press release.

Junior Heather Schulte works for the Big Brother Big Sister (BBBS) of Metropolitan Detroit and thinks the new program will be a big help.

"More people would probably participate if they knew where to go and what to do," Schulte said.

For more information on the Collaboration or to get involved, contact Marshall at (586) 294-8449.

Global Glance

•A 34-year-old woman pleaded guilty to murder Monday after killing her 10-year-old autistic son and trying to make it look like an accident. Officials said she slashed her son's wrists, throat and legs and then staged a car accident. Police found blood-stained razor blades near the vehicle. The woman, who has attempted suicide three times and suffers from bipolar disorder, was sentenced to 30 years in prison.

•Tension is escalating in Iraq after a week of uprising. Russia urged all of its citizens to leave Iraq after nine employees of a Russian company were kidnapped in Baghdad. More than 30 foreigners have been kidnapped in the last week and video of four Italian hostages has been shown on Al-Jazeera. Numerous others, including three Japanese hostages, three Czech journalists and seven Chinese nationals, are still unaccounted for. Most recently, a U.S. Apache helicopter was shot down by a rocket yesterday near Fallujah.

•Alvaro Uribe apologized yesterday for the killing of a civilian family Saturday when they were gunned down by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Columbia. The family, including three children ages 14 to 17 and a six-month-old baby, was shot while carrying the sick baby to the hospital that night. The troops said they thought the family was a group of Marxist rebels and blame the darkness and poor visibility. Despite this mistake, Uribe refuses to moderate his aggressive anti-leftist campaign.

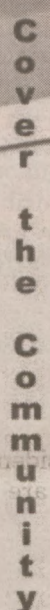
•Because of two senior officers with the Mexican Morelos police force, the entire state police force is being punished. The two officers were jailed last week for protecting drug traffickers and helping them distribute cocaine. In an attempt to reorganize the state's law enforcement, Morelos Governor Sergio Estrada suspended the whole force, pending an investigation. Officers suspected of crimes will be fired and face charges while the others will be reinstated.

Global goof

•Competition was stiff in Indonesia's legislative elections last week, but unfortunately, so was the winner. Despite being dead for more than three months, Mirdin Kasim beat out 32 other candidates for a seat on Jakarta's regional representative council. Apparently, the ballots were printed before he died and were never changed. The election committee thought the whole thing was a little ridiculous and has not scheduled a new election yet.

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Perspectives

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Editorial at a glance

The Issue: Graduation time is here for many OU students.

Editorial stance: Graduation is more than a ceremony. It's a big step forward into life.

At the beginning of the year it seemed like it would take forever for the end to come. It was especially hard on the seniors who just had a few more classes to take before they walk across that stage.

It's finally here. Just a few more finals and a couple more papers to turn in and the seniors will have a new title: graduates.

While sometimes college may seem too much; too much homework, too many tests and the stress of having a job for many, eventually it will be over.

And what you gain from college is something that can never be taken away from you.

It's not just a piece of paper you hang on the wall. It's not just something you add to your

resume. Graduating from college is an accomplishment and an honor that many people never get to experience.

Many people can't afford it, don't have the time or have other forces in their life that prohibit them from attending school, even though they want to.

Graduating is an honor and one of the most important days of your

life, like getting married or having a child.

To this spring's graduates: savor the moment you walk across the stage, for many who won't go on for master's degrees, it will only happen once.

Really listen to the person who reads your name. Feel the applause that fills the amphitheater. Gaze out on the mass of people

watching you as you shake the hand of President Gary Russi and walk down the stairs of the stage.

And while you probably won't receive your diploma for a few months, celebrate the fact that you have graduated from college.

Good luck to all of the 2004 graduates!

Talk Back OU community responds to The Post and events around campus

DEAR EDITOR,

I want to respond to the column, "Student explains why Bush is inspirational," by Charity Jones (The Oakland Post, 4/7/04). Ms. Jones sees President Bush's expression of Christian religious beliefs in politics as "his greatest strength."

I respectfully disagree. I teach science, but write here as a person of faith. I too grew up in the Christian tradition, with emphasis on Jesus's teachings of love, forgiveness, justice, equality, peace and reconciliation. This is the spirit that motivated Gandhi, Martin Luther King, Jr. and Nelson Mandela, to combat injustice non-violently. They had some successes.

What problems do I have with President Bush's practice of his religion as President? (1) He tells us, "If you are not with me you are against me." (2) He fails to show "a decent respect for the opinions of mankind." (3) He has squandered the enormous sympathy for the U.S. around the world after the tragedy of 9/11, notably by rushing us into an ill-conceived, pre-emptive war against Iraq. (4) He has failed to be a good steward of our natural and human resources; issues such as civil rights, fair housing, economic justice, environmental protection, education, poverty and health care are getting inadequate attention.

I do not doubt President Bush's sincerity in expressing his religious convictions. However, in my view they reflect a narrow, vengeful, militaristic, essentially negative view. They do not reflect the love, compassion, search for justice and peaceful resolution of conflicts that I see in Christianity at its best. They

are not conducive to a healthy democratic society. The United States, and the world, deserve better.

I hope the thoughts expressed here will stimulate Ms. Jones to reflect further on her beliefs, as her thoughts have stimulated me. Our society will work only if people of diverse views can continue to express them openly.

PHILIP T. CLAMPITT
LECTURER IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

DEAR EDITOR,

I was amazed to see Charity Jones go to such great lengths to paint President Bush as a courageous underdog fighting the good fight in an anti-Christian congress and politically correct media.

She stated that she had "yet to see congress making a law respecting religion." This statement completely ignores history. Like in 1954 when the bill was made into law that put the phrase "under God" into our Pledge of Allegiance. This move not only injected religion into the pledge but specifically monotheistic religion to which Christianity is.

The main point of her article was promoting George W. as a man who doesn't compromise his beliefs or morals in the name of political correctness. I was wondering if she has noticed that despite homosexual rights being a forefront of debate lately, the President has kept very quiet. While he was trying to get elected, he largely avoided gay issues. He often answered such question's with the mantra "it's a State's issue" trying to hide his true thoughts in fear of a drop in those ever important polls. His silence clearly compro-

mised his views on the situation. Which contradicts what Jones was saying in her article.

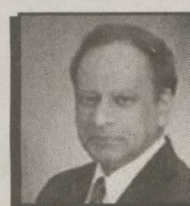
Make no mistake, Bush's feelings on the subject are clear. While serving as Gov. of Texas, he backed upholding a Texas law that banned certain sexual acts for homosexuals but allowed heterosexuals to do whatever they wanted. Stating he wanted to promote basic family values, he used his Christian beliefs to undermine homosexuals' right to intimacy. Now, with the whole country watching, he would never dream of backing such a law.

Many Americans are upset with President Bush concerning his religious beliefs for good reasons. He is our nation's president and is supposed to represent all of us. Yet, he continues to divide us based on pure speculation of what he believes God wants him to do. What would be inspirational is a president that reaches across religious lines and unites us as a country. Bush takes the easy way out and pleases only himself.

JUSTIN CORWIN
JUNIOR
PRE-PHYSICAL THERAPY

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General education overhaul takes shape



DR. VIRINDER MOUDGIL

Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost

Recently, Oakland University experienced a historic event. The University Senate passed a new plan for general education, the first substantial renovation of general education at Oakland in almost 20 years. This plan is the culmination of collaborative work by the faculty and staff who served on General Education Task Forces I and II. These dedicated individuals are the architects of the plan to renew and enhance the undergraduate experience.

I wish to personally commend them for contributing their time, expertise, and creativity to developing a plan that reenergizes this important part of the University's undergraduate program. Thanks to Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education and Associate Professor Susan Awbrey, and Political Science Department Chair Michelle Piskulich who led the Task Forces, and to the following faculty and staff who served in this historic effort: Dawn Aubry, Patrick Bennett, Linda Benson, Kristine Condic, Dagmar Cronn, Eric Follo, Jennifer Gilroy, Brian Goslin, Paul Graves, Barbara Hamilton, David Jaymes, Madelyn Kisson, Frank Lepkowski, Charles McGlothlin, Barbara Mabee, David Maines, Beth Marcoux, Jean Ann Miller, Kathleen Moore, Sarah Newton, Barbara Oakley, Barbara Penprase, Anandi Sahu, Michael Sevilla, Lauren Smith, Mary Beth Snyder, Robert Stewart, Ronald Tracy, Christian Wagner and Robert Wiggins.

The major goal of Oakland University's general education program is to introduce students to a broad base of knowl-

edge, as well as the analytical and evaluative tools needed to lead productive and fulfilling lives of leadership and service. The new program has learning outcomes that ensure that all students will be provided with the opportunity to learn those elements of a liberal education that faculty believe are most important for today's graduates, regardless of the courses they elect to take to fulfill the general education requirements.

Skills that employers view as important, such as critical thinking, effective communications, information literacy and social awareness are highlighted in the new program. The program increases the diversity requirement to allow students to understand the importance of living and working in a diverse world. The new program emphasizes writing across the curriculum, provides some introductory laboratory experiences in the sciences and requires a capstone course to add coherence to student learning.

The renewed program is divided into three parts that allow students to learn the fundamental knowledge and skills foundational to a successful academic career, to explore a broad base of liberal education and to integrate the knowledge and skills they are learning.

Oakland's new general education is one of the first to include the application of knowledge as a requirement in general education. The Senate's passage of the proposal was an important first step. Faculty and staff will be working on implementation over the next year with a goal of enrolling entering freshmen in Oakland's new general education program in 2005.

Congratulations to all who worked on this initiative, which has ushered in a new era in our efforts to provide a distinctive undergraduate experience to our students.

Giving back can be easier than it looks



REBECCA WYATT

Editor In Chief

An acquaintance of my dad, Bill Fisher, was recently diagnosed with Myelo Dysplastic Syndrome. This man needs a bone marrow transplant, his family members already know they aren't matches, and they are discouraged by the wait for a national search.

After doing some research, I realized being tested for bone marrow donation is a relatively simple process although the extraction procedure probably isn't something most people would want to do for fun, it's certainly something I am willing to undergo to save a life. I'd want the same if I was in that position.

But then I learned how many people need bone marrow. Everyone from little kids to their elderly grandparents are on waiting lists, just praying for a donor.

So a few weeks ago, I went to a bone marrow drive and I was put on the National Bone Marrow registry. I know the chances of being a match for anyone might be slim, but at least it's one more person who might be able to give someone else the chance at life.

I know the cost of about \$65-80 for typing is enough to keep students for signing up from the registry, but scope out the newspapers for drives. Some will do typing for free or for a small donation. It's a small way to feel like you are doing something big for the world.

I give credit to the students who really give up so much time to help others. I'm upset I didn't realize there were so many volunteer opportunities available on campus until this late in my college career.

In high school we were given a community service graduation requirement. It's easy to do something when you are given a number of options and you are forced to do it. It was harder when I had to seek it out by myself.

Sure I've thought about it. Getting up on a Saturday and volunteering for some organization and really feeling good that I've been able to give back to the community. However, it seems I've never been able to find the time, and when I do find the time, I'm too tired to even think about leaving the house.

Of course, there are other ways I could help out like monetary donations, but let's face it, I'm full time student. Most of my money is tied up in books, fees and other debts I have accumulated.

I could give blood, but the thought of a nurse sticking a gigantic needle in my arm and removing my blood, then getting up

and having a cookie and a glass of juice before I go on my way, just makes me feel squeamish. I pass out when I have my blood drawn at the doctor's office.

I decided to make this living donation because it's something I can give and live to appreciate.

I guess the most important part is realizing the need to give back and actually following through with it. This can happen in college, just after college or much later in life.

There are many ways students can get involved without trying to pack even more into their busy days. Giving blood, registering as a marrow donor, donating hair for wigs, building a house or being an organ donor are all ways that we as students can give back in our own way and on our own time.

As for the man my dad knows, he will receive his bone marrow transplant in about three weeks.

So that's my advice to you in my last column of my last issue as editor in chief. Oh, wait, there is one more thing. If you want a good sandwich on campus, go to Pic-A-Deli in the Rec Center.

For more information on bone marrow donation, visit www.marow.org. To follow updates on Bill Fisher, visit www.billfishertransplant.org.

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AP

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award from 3:30-5 p.m. on May 14 in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

APs are the advisers, assistant deans and other managerial staff of OU, said Klemanski.

The Outstanding AP award has been given every year since 1984, and nominations can come from the entire campus community.

Also, the selections committee is comprised of representatives from all parts of the university.

This is not the first time Klemanski has been nominated, but the first time she has won.

"I was very overwhelmed," she said. "It was quite a surprise. You don't expect to win."

She said the people she has worked with at OU over the years, including Virinder Moudgil, provost and vice president of Academic Affairs, Elaine Chapman Moore, a previous Outstanding AP recipient, Lawrence Bartalucci, former Registrar, and George Dahlgren, former dean of Graduate Study, have shaped her into the person she is today.

"Each of them recognized what I was good at and let me hone those talents," she said.

Sandra Fick, office assistant III in the Academic Affairs office, nominated Klemanski after working with her since 1989 in three different offices.

"I just feel that she's a very hard worker and conscientious person, and one of the best supervisors I have ever worked with," said Fick. "She's very deserving of this award."

PROF

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and his students has helped lead to many of the mentioned breakthroughs.

Now in his 35th year at OU, Eberwein has written four books about film and film criticism, published scholarly articles and reviews and participated in conferences of film scholars. He is now writing his fifth book.

Eberwein said he was humbled by the recognition as Distinguished Professor. He used a quote from his wife, Jane, who is also a Distinguished Professor, to describe his feelings.

"I can't believe someone pays me to do this. I can't believe someone pays me to teach," he said. "We're all blessed with great students to share what one is interested in."

Eberwein's contributions

to cinema studies have been far reaching, as he has helped the academic discipline develop and grow over the last 25 years.

He has been awarded the OU Teaching Excellence Award and enjoys a reputation for high standards and tireless mentoring, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Virinder Moudgil said.

As a professor, Eberwein has become known for his demanding intellectual engagement, library research and extensive writing with his courses.

He also helped develop the Concentration in Film Aesthetics and History committee.

"I'm really happy that we have the film concentration," Eberwein said. "A lot of people have put a lot of

work into building the program. Those people worked tirelessly. It's a terrific program and the students are a joy."

Moudgil said Eberwein's coworkers "describe him as Oakland's most solid and distinguished citizen."

"His department colleagues hold him in very high esteem for the rigorous standards and humanistic values he has championed, for his long hours and dedicated mentoring, and for the collegial spirit he has inspired in practice and as a role model," Moudgil said.

As Distinguished Professors, Chopp and Eberwein will receive a one-time salary stipend of \$2,500, as well as an annual supplies and services allocation of \$1,500 for up to five years.

WILSON

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ing following graduation.

The Wilson Awards, first presented in 1965, are awarded to a male and female student who excelled in academics, made contributions to campus life and showed concern for social problems in the community.

Rhonda Hanna, selected as the 2004 Matilda R. Wilson award winner, said students should not only get involved on campus, but strive to make a difference.

"It's a very prestigious award, and I'm definitely honored to receive it. OU has made a difference in my life... hopefully I've had an impact, too," said Hanna, a philosophy and English major.

Hanna will head to law school at the University of Michigan following graduation.

Brad Whitmer, a biology major, was honored with the Alfred G. Wilson award. He encourages students to get involved on campus, and to meet their peers and professors.

Whitmer will attend Michigan State University's School of Osteopathic Medicine following graduation.

"It's a great honor to have my academic, community service and leadership recognized," he said.

Trustee Chairperson Henry Baskin recognized the many accomplishments of Hintz, Hanna and Whitmer with praise during the BOT meeting.

"We wonder where they find the time to do what they do... we are fortunate to have people like you on our campus," he said.

BLOOD

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sustained blood supply for the military, blood centers and 5,000 hospitals nationwide, according to the Red Cross Web site, but it can always use more help.

The next blood drive at OU will be June 15, and students will likely find Moen and his teammates lingering in line.

"It is very rewarding knowing that you may have helped to save a life. How many opportunities in life do you have to do something like that?" Moen said.

OUSC

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"Shaquonda Binion has shown excellent leadership skills here at Oakland," said Parks of the new Student Program Board chair. "She's the best person qualified for that position... I feel just as confident about Charity Jones (Student Activities Funding Board chair)."

Parks also said the name Jim Gammicchia speaks for itself, as he will continue on as the Financial Affairs director.

He spoke of Jackie Claiborne's passion for being the Legislative Affairs director and Sarah Cook's energy

to fulfill the duties of the Student Services director.

"And I wasn't even going to have a publicity chair this year," Parks said. "But Duane Hurt sold me the dream. I was like wow, if he can sell it to me...he's the man for the job."

In other business:

•The spring and summer budget was presented, as well as the Student Activities Funding Board guidelines. Both will be voted on at the next OUSC meeting on Monday at 4 p.m.

•OUSC members nominated committee chairs, also to

be voted on next week.

•Parks presented a transportation assessment made available to all students in the OUSC office. The questionnaire should be completed with any comments and concerns regarding transportation on campus and returned to the OUSC mailbox.

•Former congress members Kenton Lewis and Jeff Galecki presented their concerns with capping funds on student organizations. Both feel caps should not be imposed on groups attempting to collect funding from

the Student Activities Funding Board.

•The OUSC End of the Year Banquet will begin at 5:30 p.m. Friday in the OC Banquet Rooms. Reservations are required.

•Applications are being accepted to fill the administrative assistant position. Contact the OUSC office at (248) 370-4290.

•Student Programming Board positions are open. Call (248) 370-4295 for more details.

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Split snaps losing streak

BY LIBBY BAKER
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

The OU men's baseball team snapped a 10-game losing streak during Friday's doubleheader, but finished the blustery day on a disappointing note.

Madonna University was the Golden Grizzlies victim in a 4-3 OU victory, and Rochester College dominated in a 14-7 win.

OU got off to a good start during the first game against Livonia's Madonna University (16-18).

The Grizzlies jumped to an early 1-0 lead with a run in the first inning. OU added two more runs in the bottom of the third, but Madonna pulled within one in the fourth inning.

The Grizzlies got insurance in the fourth inning off freshman shortstop Ryan Heath's one-run double.

OU held its 4-2 lead into the eighth inning when Madonna rallied for a comeback.

Madonna picked up a run in the eighth, but the Grizzlies held on for the 4-3 victory.

The Grizzlies were led by strong

pitching from junior Kyle Boehm, who improved his record to 2-1 with the win. Boehm pitched six innings and had six strikeouts for OU.

"I'd been struggling so it felt good," said Boehm of his performance against Madonna.

In the second game of the day, OU, again, jumped to a quick 3-0 lead against Rochester College (19-6).

But momentum was not with the Grizzlies (6-19) as Rochester quickly jumped ahead in the third, getting four runs on five hits.

OU evened the score with a run in the bottom of the third, but the Warriors responded by tallying two runs in the fourth and got an extra boost in the fifth inning off a two-run double and a home run.

OU junior first baseman Ty Herriott added a home run for the Grizzlies in the bottom of the fifth, but Rochester got runs in the seventh and ninth innings to take a 14-5 lead.

The Grizzlies picked up two more runs in the bottom of the ninth off Herriott's second home run of the day, but it wouldn't be enough as the Warriors had an easy 14-7 win.



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post
Freshman outfielder Brad Noel steps across home plate in Friday's 4-3 win over Madonna University on the Grizzlies home field.

Junior pitcher Heath Craven got the start for OU, going two and a third innings allowing four runs on seven hits.

Junior right-hander Mike Lozier took the loss for OU, giving up two unearned runs in one and a third inning.

Grizzlies head coach Mark Avery took full responsibility for the team's performance in the loss to Rochester.

"We just came out flat and they got beat by somebody that wanted to play more than they did," Avery

said. "The person that is directly responsible for that is me . . . the person who needs to improve the most is me because it starts with me and obviously they didn't come out to play in that second game."

The Grizzlies will look to turn it around when they face Notre Dame today at 6:05 p.m. Wednesday in South Bend, Ind.

Results for Tuesday's game against Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant were unavailable at this issue's deadline.



LIBBY BAKER
Senior News Writer

Wings have hearts racing again

I can't help it. I have the first round jitters.

Let's face it, the Red Wings have not been on top of their game so far.

Although their play has been good, it hasn't been great.

Bear in mind all pressure solely rests on the Wings. The Nashville Predators are happy just to be in the playoffs. They have nothing to prove; they've already achieved their goal.

But it's different for the Wings. They're expected to, at least, advance to the Stanley Cup Finals. Anything less will be a major disappointment.

Thus far, the Wings seem to be missing some of their jump.

In Game One it took two periods for the Wings to get it going. They won Game Two on pure luck (recall Mathieu Schneider's power play goal that actually went in the net after deflecting off Predator goaltender Tomas Vokoun's skate).

Game Three started well. In the first 15 minutes of the first period, Detroit had 15 shots to the Predators one.

But late in the first period, the momentum shifted. Wings defenseman Derian Hatcher made a sloppy pass that landed right on the stick of Michigan native David Legwand who easily beat Wings goaltender Manny Legace.

Seconds later, the Wings were beat again. By the end of the first, a period dominated by the Wings, the Predators were up 2-0.

The remaining two periods brought back vivid memories of last year's disappointing playoff run. The Wings consistently peppered Vokoun with shots, but only managed one goal.

The Wings didn't get the breaks on Sunday. But that's playoff hockey and the best teams find a way to win even when they don't get the breaks.

The Wings need to step it up a notch, preferably sooner rather than later.

For starters, they need to get the power play back on track. The Wings had the fourth best power play in the league at the end of the regular season.

So far this postseason, they are 1-for-15 with the man advantage.

Further, the Wings have no room for sloppy passes, like Hatcher's first period mishap in Game 3.

Those types of plays have the ability to shift the momentum of an entire series.

Am I too concerned over one loss? Probably.

But they'll turn it around.

I'm just hoping we'll still be watching our beloved Wings come June, because nothing is more exciting than playoff hockey, regardless of the final score.

After all, this is Hockeytown.

Libby Baker is a senior majoring in political science. Send comments to sports@oakpostonline.com.

Unstoppable Stuard



Photo courtesy of OU Athletics
Junior OU golfer Brian Stuard hits a drive. Stuard paced the field at this weekend's Harry Mussato/Beau Classic, finishing eight strokes ahead of the competition.

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

Junior Brian Stuard did more than pace the field at the Harry Mussato/Beau Classic, hosted by Western Illinois University (WIU).

Stuard led the OU men's golf team to a second-place finish in the team competition, winning the individual title by eight strokes.

The Golden Grizzlies placed three strokes behind tournament champion St. Ambrose University.

At -6, Stuard was the only player under par for the 54-hole tournament, winning his third individual title of the spring season.

"That was probably the best performance by an OU golfer that I've ever seen," head coach Dave DeWulf said. "If you beat the field by eight shots, there's something there that's very special. When he gets in the groove, he just doesn't miss."

Senior Ryan Yelen was the only other OU golfer to place in the top 10, shooting a 224 to earn sixth place overall.

Sophomore Jonathon Pauli placed 20th by shooting a 230.

St. Ambrose placed all of its golfers in the top 25 overall to take the team title.

Junior Matt Pullen fired in the Grizzlies' fourth-best score, finishing in a tie for 39th overall with a 236.

Freshman Charlie Kluesner had an roller coaster tournament, shooting rounds in the 70s in the first and third rounds with a score of 91 sandwiched in for the second round.

He placed in a tie for 65th

overall, with a 54-hole score of 248.

The tournament could be a good gauge for the upcoming Mid-Con Championships, with four other Mid-Con schools having participated in the Harry Mussato/Beau Classic this weekend.

Host WIU was the Grizzlies' toughest competition this weekend, placing both of its squads in the top five overall.

The Leathernecks' 'Gold' squad placed third with a 904 total and the other group placed fifth at 916.

Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis (IUPUI) placed fourth with a total of 914.

The University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) took seventh place with a total of 922 and Chicago State University (CSU) brought home 18th in the 18-team field with a 1050 total.

At the Mid-Con Championship last season, Stuard tied for second place overall with a 219 total that was weighed down by a 79 in the second.

Pauli (227) and Yelen (234) also took part in the 2003 Mid-Con Championships, tying for 10th and 24th, respectively.

DeWulf has high hopes for this year's tournament.

"I think that we're better than we were last year," he said. "I think that the golf course that we're playing the conference on is well suited for our players. It's long and it's difficult."

The 2004 Mid-Con Championships will take place April 20-21, hosted by IUPUI.

Women play final warm-up for Mid-Con

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

If nothing else, the OU women's golf squad was consistent at the Bronco Invitational.

In the two round tournament hosted by Western Michigan University (WMU), the Golden Grizzlies shot 329 both days to take fifth place out of nine teams.

Host WMU took first place overall with a 623 total, while University of Cincinnati junior Allison Couch took the individual title with a score of 150, five strokes better than second.

Sophomore Patricia Ellsworth used a 77 in the opening round, coupled with a second round score of 85, to post a 162 total to place 13th.

Senior Mara Mazzoni (82-83) and freshman Stacey Goins (85-80) finished in a tie for 19th, both shooting a 165 total.

Head coach Dave DeWulf said the weather could be contributing to Mazzoni's struggles.

"She's just not performing as well as she can," he said. "You're bundled up every tournament. You're playing hard tournaments because it's cold and wet. It exposes your weaknesses."

With a score of 168 (87-81), junior Leigh Gulbransen finished in a tie for 26th overall and was the last OU golfer to add to the team total.

Rounding out the Grizzly competitors was freshman Christina Cibrario, who finished in a tie for 33rd place with a two-day total of

171 (85-85).

Three other OU golfers competed as individuals at the tournament.

Freshman Alicia Zuckerman posted a score of 179 (91-88), while seniors Kathy Kern-Goodvich and Sarah Stark shot 203 and 216, respectively.

OU was in fourth place after the first day of competition with a five-stroke lead on Eastern Michigan University (EMU), but the Eagles stepped up in the second round.

EMU posted the second best team total on the second day, 317, thanks in part to junior Lindsay McEwin's round-best 74.

This weekend's Bronco Invitational was the Grizzlies final tune up before the upcoming Mid-

Con Championships.

At last year's conference tournament, OU finished fifth out of five.

Senior Mara Mazzoni is the only Grizzly that competed in the league competition last season. She finished sixth overall with a 54-hole score of 241.

DeWulf said no matter the outcome, the young squad will gain experience, and they can't worry about winning.

"If you think and worry about winning, you are thinking poorly," he said. "You need to be thinking about shooting and putting."

The Mid-Con Championships will be held on April 20-21 and hosted by Indiana University-Purdue University in Indianapolis.

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Check out the times and dates below to get a jump on what's going on in OU athletics this week and beyond. All times are local.

Baseball

Wed April 14, 6:05 p.m.
@ Notre Dame
Sat April 17, Noon
vs. Southern Utah
@ Lower Fields
Sun April 18, Noon
vs. Southern Utah
@ Lower Fields

Softball

Wed April 14, 3:30 p.m.
@ Michigan State
Mon April 19, 3 p.m.
vs. Toledo
@ Lower Fields

Tennis

Mid-Con cluster
Thu April 15, 5 p.m.
vs. Southern Utah
@ Las Vegas, Nev.)
Fri April 16, 11 a.m.
vs. IUPUI
@ Las Vegas, Nev.)
Fri April 16, 8 p.m.
vs. UMKC
@ Las Vegas, Nev.)

Men's and Women's Golf

Mid-Con Championships
April 20 & 21
(Hosted by IUPUI)

Men's Lacrosse

Sat April 17, TBA
vs. Western Michigan
Sun April 18, TBA
vs. Eastern Michigan
(Check
www.oaklandlacrosse.com
for details)



Sports Spotlight



Stephani Potiris

Freshman, Tennis

Despite a difficult opening to Mid-Con competition at the conference cluster this weekend, Potiris played well, recording some of the Grizzlies' few singles wins while the team compiled a 1-4 record at the cluster. She won three singles matches in the fifth singles slot this weekend. Potiris also played well with her doubles partner, fellow freshman Lauren Sanchez-Murphy, picking up a win at the third doubles slot.

BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

Offense still lagging

By DANA UTZ
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

Despite an uneventful week for OU's softball team, there are still hopes that there will be a change of events this week. Losing all 17 games pushed the Golden Grizzlies record back to 9-26.

Wednesday, OU hosted a game against Wayne State where they lost both games 6-1 and 1-0.

The Golden Grizzlies had many opportunities to score in the first four innings, but they fell short, and when the bases were loaded they were only able to bring in one run.

The games on Friday night were against Valparaiso. The final score of the first game was 7-2.

OU got back into the game in the fifth inning when senior Erica Judge advanced home off singles by freshman Danielle Schamus and junior Toni Salo.

In the second game, OU had a lead early on but lost its momentum and the game ended with a score of 7-4.

OU's first two runs were scored by junior Nicole Marzano and Judge early in the second inning.

OU then lost the lead, but started to fight back when freshman Maria Benza hit a double to center field.

Sophomore Katie Jones was next at bat and she was able to hit a single, bringing sophomore Camie Knorr and Salo home to give OU a lead of 4-3.

In the bottom of the sixth, OU lost its lead when Valparaiso scored four runs bringing the score to 7-4.

The action continued on Saturday when OU went up against Valparaiso once again. OU was unable to get the lead as it lost both



Senior Wayne State University catcher Maria D'Agostino blocks the plate and keeps an OU runner from scoring in the visiting Warriors 6-1 victory over the Golden Grizzlies on the Lower Fields.

games: 5-2 and 2-0.

The game was off to a slow start with no runs until the fourth inning, when OU scored on a homerun by Jones; this was her first homerun of the season.

The Golden Grizzlies were up by two until the bottom of the inning when Valparaiso scored five runs off

of one hit.

In game two, Valparaiso scored in the first inning and OU was unable to score a run.

The Golden Grizzlies were in action again on Monday against the Bowling Green Falcons in Ohio where they lost another doubleheader with scores of 2-0 and 10-2.

The two runs in the second game were scored by freshman Natalie Webb and junior Christina Schulte.

OU will be in action once again at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday when it plays Michigan State University in a non-conference game.

The doubleheader will be played in East Lansing.

Cluster issues

By BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

It was all or nothing for the OU women's tennis team this weekend.

In the first of the Golden Grizzlies Mid-Con clusters, OU fell out of contention for a berth in the postseason tournament, losing four of its five matches.

The Grizzlies played five conference matches in three days and they never seemed to get settled.

OU's weekend began with a match up with Centenary College, with the Ladies prevailing over the Grizzlies, 5-2.

Centenary dominated the higher seeded matches, not giving up a set in any of the top four singles matches.

OU picked up its two points in the fifth and sixth singles matches, where freshmen Stephanie Potiris and Lauren Sanchez-Murphy picked up wins.

Potiris won 6-3, 6-2 and Sanchez-Murphy was leading the first set when her opponent defaulted.

Saturday, the outlook did not improve as both Valparaiso University, 7-0, and host Chicago State University, 5-2, beat OU.

The 5-2 loss to Chicago State was padded due to two defaults.

Potiris and Sanchez-Murphy did not have a third doubles opponent, and Sanchez-Murphy was also foe-less at sixth singles.

Potiris had OU's lone victory, 7-5, 6-3, winning her fifth singles match.

On the final day of the cluster, the Grizzlies were in jeopardy of being shutout after a 5-0 loss at the hands of Oral Roberts University.

But the team responded in its final match of the weekend against Western Illinois University, winning 4-3 to avoid the sweep.

Competition against Oral Roberts was not any more friendly for OU. For the second time over the week, the Grizzlies were shut out.

The Golden Eagles swept the four singles matches, winning all of them in two sets, and also took the doubles point by winning the first and third matches.

Senior Brittany Maxey and freshman Jessica Erickson fared the best against Oral Roberts for OU, tying their second doubles match 5-5 before doubles play was suspended because the point was already claimed.

Refusing to be daunted or leave without a notch in the win column, the Grizzlies took down Western Illinois University, 4-3.

OU claimed the doubles point, winning the second and third doubles matches.

Maxey and Erickson picked up an 8-2 win in the second doubles slot, while Potiris and Sanchez-Murphy continued to strengthen their duo, winning 8-1.

With the match still largely up for grabs, singles matches were closely fought, but the Grizzlies prevailed.

Freshman Angela Trecola won her third singles match, 6-1, 6-2.

Potiris and Sanchez-Murphy followed their doubles success with a pair of wins in their singles matches.

Potiris took down her fourth singles opponent, 6-4, 6-2, and Sanchez-Murphy dominated the sixth singles contest, 6-0, 6-3.

This week, OU will wrap up its season with three final games in another conference cluster.

At 5 p.m. Thursday, the Grizzlies take on host Southern Utah.

The season will wrap up with a pair of matches at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday against Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis and the University of Missouri-Kansas City, respectively.

Recognition dished out

By BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

Even with national and league championship trophies already in the display case, the OU men's club hockey team wasn't done collecting hardware.

This week, players from the Grizzlies' American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA) Division II national championship were recognized for their outstanding play this season.

Receiving the highest of the honors was sophomore forward Will McMahon, who was named ACHA Div. II Player of the Year.

McMahon was also named to the ACHA Div. II First Team.

Senior defenseman Karl Borgquist and sophomore forward Ryan Teasdale earned spots on the ACHA Div. II Second Team.

All three also earned recognition within the Central Division of the ACHA Div. II.

McMahon, Borgquist and Teasdale were all named to the Central Division First Team, while sophomore

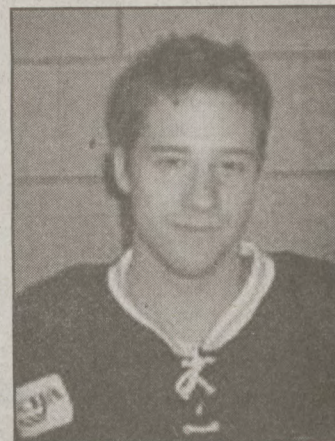


Photo courtesy of OU Club Hockey
Sophomore forward Will McMahon

goaltender Chris Ballach was awarded a position on the Central Division Second Team.

Players weren't the only ones who were recognized for their efforts this season.

The team's head coach, Craig Furstenau was named Central Division Coach of the Year after leading the Grizzlies to a 30-3-3 record this season.

"I think the reason why I got that award was the team," Furstenau said. "I wouldn't have accomplished it without the guys."

Men's tennis championship field set

By BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

With a perfect 6-0 record in Mid-Con cluster competition, the Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis (IUPUI) has the upper hand.

The top-seeded Jaguars will have the advantage at the upcoming Mid-Con Championships.

Held on the campus of Oral Roberts University (ORU), the four-team tournament will be a single elimination competition.

Western Illinois University (8-4, 5-1 Mid-Con) earned the second seed and will serve it up against host ORU (4-13, 4-2 Mid-Con), the third seed.

IUPUI will get fourth-seeded Valparaiso

University (6-14, 3-3 Mid-Con) in the semifinal round.

The winner of the tournament will earn an automatic bid into the Men's NCAA Tournament.

Last season, first seeded ORU earned the automatic berth by defeating IUPUI, the second seed.

The tournament will be held on April 16-17.

In case of inclement weather, the tournament will be moved indoors with times and matchups released appropriately.

Mid-Con Players of the Week announcements:

Softball - Centenary College teammates Micah Rhodes and Cheyenne Daries swept the Mid-Con honors this week.

Rhodes rediscovered her touch, putting a 3-for-26 slump behind her by going 8-18 with two doubles, two home runs, four runs scored and six RBIs while the Ladies went 6-0.

Daries recorded five of those wins while dominating from the pitching circle.

She picked up her first win of the week by pitching four innings with seven strikeouts against Grambling State University.

Daries then started all four games in doubleheader sweeps over IUPUI.

In the five wins, Daries had a 0.50 ERA with 19 strikeouts, allowing 21 hits in 28 innings.

Daries' 16 so far this year are the most by a Centenary pitcher in 13 seasons.

Baseball - By helping to lead the ORU baseball squad over ranked opponents, Josh Lex earned Mid-Con Player of the Week honors.

With two wins, Southern Utah University's Ryan Zimmerman earned Pitcher of the Week recognition.

Lex has hit safely in 17 of his last 18 games, including the four games the Golden Eagles played this week.

He batted .474 with two home runs and seven RBIs in four games, helping ORU to defeat Wichita State University and Arizona State University.

In his two wins over the University of Utah and WIU this week, Zimmerman posted an ERA of 3.00 while striking out 14 and walking two in 15 innings.

Tennis - Perfection may be obtainable after all. At least in Mid-Con tennis.

IUPUI's Luke Recker and Centenary's Anja Schmidt were named Mid-Con Tennis Athletes of the Week by going perfect in their teams' final conference clusters.

Recker used a victory at the No. 1 singles spot to spring board the Jaguars over ORU for the first time in the schools' history.

For the second straight week, Schmidt went undefeated in conference competition, earning her second consecutive Player of the Week award.

Track and Field - WIU's Robb Pfrank and Aubrey Martin took both the Mid-Con track awards.

Campus Life

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The grounds near Kresge Library are covered with a great diversity of new plants.

Greens, pinks, purples, reds decorate OU

By LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

OU's Grounds Maintenance Department is adding color to OU's campus as it prepares for spring planting and gardening.

The colors will be greens, pinks, reds, purples and the department will spend a lot of time, fertilizer, seeds and bulbs to beautify campus.

Randy Drewry, head of grounds maintenance, said they will plant 650 pounds of grass seed this spring.

He said flowers planted around campus include snap dragons, spikes, geraniums and vinca vines.

"We have the usual assortment of flowers," said Drewry.

Hundreds of bulbs and seeds will be planted starting in May, Drewry said. Cana bulbs, 180 of them, are one of the many types to be planted. As for geraniums, one of the most common plants on campus, Drewry estimated 900-1,000 plants will adorn campus.

"Geraniums, oh my goodness, we have flats and flats of those," Drewry said.

He said the 18 beds on the main campus have set designs from over the years.

One plant that is already springing up is the Stella doro daylily, which can be seen in front of Kresge Library.

Drewry said the lily stays in the ground year round, and comes up in green tufts. He said the lily gets cut back in the fall to prepare for winter.

And as for the stinky stuff, Drewry said three to four pallets of fertilizer are used on the athletic fields, which are fertilized three times a year.

The rest of the campus is fertilized once or twice a year, depending on the budget, and uses about two pallets.

He also said they use pesticides "very sparingly."

"We don't go out and spray just to be spraying," he said. "Generally we don't have a lot of pests."

He said there are problems with weeds, like dandelions, in the lawns, but there are few problems with mosquitoes and other pests.

The budget has been cut from around \$90,000 to about \$85,000 a year, Drewry said.

"We've had several cuts—small cuts—to



grounds," he said. But the budget can't be cut too much because they also deal with snow removal in the winter.

Grounds workers will start mowing the lawns on campus this week, but Drewry said they are focusing on repairing winter wear on campus. When spring gets in full swing, the grass will grow too quickly to really do anything else.

Grounds maintenance employs 15 full-time employees and one vehicle maintenance worker. In the summer, two to three students work to mow, weed and clean up litter around campus.

"We try to maintain the university campus so people can come and have their activities and go to school and have a good time," Drewry said.

Class in session

Meadow Brook Hall offers a gardening class on the upkeep of roses

By LOREEN BAHRI
THE OAKLAND POST

Learn how to keep gardens rosy by attending Roses 101: Garden Lecture and Lunch, hosted by Meadow Brook Hall (MBH).

From 11 a.m. to noon, Roses 101 takes place on April 24 in MBH's ballroom.

Reservations are required. The cost is \$25 per person including lunch, or \$5 for lecture only.

"A lot of parents want their kids to help out in the garden during the summer ... younger people can get tips," Erika Rivers, senior, said. "I think it's nice. It's a good idea."

An employee from MBH will speak about the rose garden and

upkeep for five minutes.

Then he will introduce the lecturer, Robert Filter, Bordine Nursery employee. Filter is referred to as a 'Rosarian,' who is an expert on roses says Shannon O'Berski, MBH Marketing Manager.

He will be giving a PowerPoint presentation on how to properly care for roses.

Filter is also a Michigan Certified Nurseryman and is an advanced gardener, according to the MBH website.

This is the first year MBH is doing the Roses 101 lecture O'Berski said.

She also said the class is for

people who don't know anything about keeping a garden.

After the lecture, lunch will be held in the Sun Porch from noon-1:00p.m with salad and cheese-cake served.

"The idea is for everyone to feel welcome, that's why its called Roses 101," O'Berski said.

According to MBH's Web site, many volunteer activities dealing with gardening are available. One coming up is the MBH Garden Club.

April 13 is the first day of gardening season, and the club will be open until the fall.

Volunteers for the Garden Club meet every Tuesday at 9 a.m. in the Rose Garden.

The club is committed to maintaining and enhancing the gardens at MBH.

For more information regarding the lecture or the Garden Club, call MBH at (248) 370-3140 or visit MBH online at www.meadowbrookhall.org.



Photo courtesy of Meadow Brook Hall

Just beyond the MBH Living Room is the Sun Porch shown above. This room is filled with beautiful greens exemplifying the dedication MBH has to great gardening skills.



KANIQUA S. DANIEL
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Giving my final farewell

I can still remember crossing over into OU territory from University Drive on my first day of classes.

Every time I crossed that threshold with the gold and black emblem of OU excellence mounted up front, I convinced myself that I was entering a new zone, free of the problems and people on the other side of Squirrel Road.

Since August of 2000, I've escaped to my fantasy world. But now my time of eluding reality has come to an end.

I'm graduating from college already. And I can't believe it.

Forget about yesterday, it seems like this morning I was in Kresge Library typing an argumentative essay for rhetoric 150.

It feels like last Monday I entered my first journalism course, and Sally Tato taught me the proper way to construct a lead.

Then on that Tuesday, I walked into The Oakland Post and wrote my first news story.

It seems like first thing Wednesday morning, I met with the editor in chief to discuss an opening for the Campus Life Editor position.

Then on Thursday evening, I rode past The Daily Oakland Press and dreamed of one day working in that building as a "real-life" news reporter.

That Friday, Anne Becker told me to give one of the editors a call for a possible internship in January.

In what feels like a week's time, my life has flashed before my own eyes, and in such a brief moment, I've evolved into a responsible young woman who has accomplished so many things.

As I walk away from this place of serenity, I feel a sense of gratitude for all OU has given me.

No longer do I try to escape the burdens lying on the "other side of Squirrel."

I face them, head on with all of the confidence in the world—confidence I gained at OU.

Thank you to the instructors and professors who brought me to this point, and all my close friends and family.

Nothing in my life could have been achieved without the support of my mother and father.

To the Center for Multicultural Initiatives, Monica Long, Gloria Sosa and Omar Brown, the three of you have helped me so much throughout these years.

Whether directly or indirectly, you all have made a difference, a trait that is scarce in today's times, but needed more now than ever.

Of course I can't name all of the inspirational people in my life because I'll forget somebody.

Saving the best for last, I give honor and thanks to God, the number one motivating force in my life, who has carried me along this journey.

It has been said closing one door only opens another. Although it feels like the end, I know this is where my life actually begins.

Pray for me, and look for my name. I guarantee you'll see it again.



A few students are trying to create a branch of Habitat for Humanity on campus.

Photo courtesy of Sara Crampton

Students create Habitat

After a building shelters in South Carolina with Habitat for Humanity, a handful of students tries to bring the organization to campus

BY LIBBY BAKER
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

Since its creation in 1976, Habitat for Humanity has provided shelter for more than 750,000 people around the world.

This work is primarily done by volunteers who donate their time and effort to help provide homes for those in need.

With that in mind, some OU students have been working to create a new stu-

dent organization dedicated to Habitat for Humanity.

Elizabeth Pellerito, senior, and Colleen Frizzell, sophomore, first got the idea for Habitat at OU during an alternative spring break project in South Carolina.

The trip was so much fun that Pellerito and Frizzell thought Habitat should be done at OU.

"(We thought) this would be fun to start a student organization to do this," Frizzell said.

Last week the two held

informational meetings to recruit students for the new organization.

The group secured enough students to form the organization, but is still in search of a faculty advisor.

Pellerito said they plan to officially file as a student organization by the end of the semester.

Frizzell and Pellerito said they were surprised that many people knew little about Habitat and the work they do.

They hope to raise aware-

ness about the organization by bringing it to OU.

Additionally, the organization will also participate in monthly volunteer sessions in Detroit and will do fundraising for future events like the alternative spring break project.

Pellerito said in the future, she hopes the organization will be able to volunteer more than just one Saturday a month.

"It's a kind of struggle at a school that has mostly commuters to get people

involved," she said. "... this is another way to do this."

She also said college is a time to learn more about not only yourself, but the community and the world around you.

Although Oakland County is one of the wealthiest counties in the nation, poverty still exists here, and Habitat for Humanity allows students to learn more about those in need she said.

"It's a really satisfying feeling (to help)," she said.

Pellerito, who previously was involved with AmeriCorps, did some work for Habitat in the past and said it is so rewarding to meet those who are living in homes recently completed by the organization.

"It's such a cool experience ... to see the final product," she said.

For more information on Habitat for Humanity at OU, contact Frizzell at cmfrizzell@oakland.edu.

Larson offers alternate look at U.S. society

BY SARA WEIGOLD
COPY EDITOR

At times, truth is stranger and more interesting than fiction. "The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic and Madness at the Fair that Changed America" by Erik Larson expertly weaves a tale of two dynamic, yet different men at the turn of the 20th century in Chicago.

One wants to create beauty, the other wants to destroy it. "The Devil in the White City" follows the World's Fair of 1893 from the time when it was just a seed in a few forward thinking minds to the awe-inspiring realization of this magnificent event.

And, "Only Poe could have dreamed the rest."

Larson seamlessly blends one of the memorable and extraordinary events in American history with the arrival of a sinister and seductive serial killer preying on women in the Chicago area.

"There are hundreds of people who went to Chicago to see the fair and were never heard from again."

The World's Fair and the emergence of one of the first serial killers in America did much to challenge the way its citizens thought and lived, as both were nearly incomprehensible to Americans of this era.

Larson does an admirable job transmitting the excitement and exhilaration that those connected with the fair must have felt.

"The Devil in the White City" has a biographical feel as we hear the story of the lives of these two men.

A preeminent architect of Chicago at the time, Daniel Burnham, was the driving force behind the creation described as "an inexhaustible dream of beauty."

He and his colleagues were determined to outshine France's previous World's Fair that took

place in 1889 and to "out-Eiffel Eiffel."

He wooed the best architects in the country and oversaw the daunting task of creating an exposition containing over 200 buildings and occupying one square mile.

So great was the beauty of this event, that it was said to have inspired Walt Disney, whose father aided in the construction.

But, while Burnham is creating a masterpiece to be enjoyed by millions, another man is erecting a charnel house to be feared.

Herman Webster Mudgett, a.k.a. H.H. Holmes, was a charming and deceptive psychopath.

He erected a building in downtown Chicago, complete with gas chambers and an incinerator to which he lured young women.

At the end of the book and today, it is not clear how many were murdered.

"The Devil in the White City" is a fascinating, in-depth account of

one of history's most fantastic events.

The impact on society via the food we eat, products we buy and even architectural features that are commonplace in our world was vast.

Many items were introduced to the American public at the fair including: Juicy Fruit, Aunt Jemima, Shredded Wheat, Kodak, Cracker Jack and the use of electricity on a grand scale.

It is unusual to find an author who can merge the monstrous world of true-crime and murder with a cultural event that shaped American society.

"The Devil in the White City" is clearly meticulously referenced, and quotes from some of the paramount leaders in the country are interspersed throughout.

What Larson ultimately accomplishes is a profound glimpse of the forces of good and evil and their influence on American society.



Laquala Coleman gives a helping hand

BY KANIQUA S. DANIEL
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Laquala Coleman, junior, knows a college education isn't the only thing students walk away with after graduation.

"My college experience has exposed me to diversity and has helped me be more outgoing," Coleman said.

In high school, Coleman claims to have been an introvert.

"I pretty much stayed to myself," Coleman said. "In all honesty, I was so mean, but I decided my freshman year in college I would try something new."

Now a resident assistant (RA) in Hamlin Hall, a member of the Student Activities Funding Board and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., the National Pan-Hellenic chair for Greek council and an Academic Success Network mentor, Coleman has come out of her shell and feels her purpose in life is to help people.

"I really want to help troubled youths and people who have acquired criminal records," Coleman said. "I really want to help them

turn their lives around."

Majoring in sociology, Coleman plans to become a probation officer. She feels she owes her new personality to a variety of sources. Two in particular are Dave Moroz and Rebecca Wickham, assistant housing directors.

"They have been a huge influence in terms of keeping me motivated and staying involved," Coleman said. "Staff plays a big part in keeping students involved whether they know it or not."

But she quickly points out that students need to make the first move.

"A lot of people on campus are narrow-minded, and they don't allow themselves to experience the diversity they could with all of the events going on," Coleman said. "Students limit themselves to certain organizations and don't support one another."

Coleman said when you interact with different people from different organizations, you get to know individuals without having to judge them first.

"I feel that I've grown a lot as an individual at OU," Coleman said.



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Laquala Coleman's motivation comes from helping people.

"God put me on this earth for a reason. Me being a Christian, I'm supposed to help people."

Coleman's personal motto: "I only serve one God, and he did not place

me on earth to please you. Therefore, any opinion, thought or judgment from any man is absolutely irrelevant."



HOROSCOPE

BY LINDA C. BLACK
TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

Today's Birthday (April 14). Friends are your key to success this year - friends, and a creative team. You can accomplish a whole lot more by working with creative folks. They'll look to you for leadership.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is an 8 - You're smart and witty. That's why it's so important for you to think carefully. Make sure you're leading the folks in the right direction before you speak.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 5 - Try not to fret too much about things that haven't yet happened. Although things may not be going the way you want right now, you can turn that around.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is an 8 - It's getting to be time to increase your responsibility. An unusual request from an older person could be just the challenge you need. Think about

what you want.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - If you've been saving your money and investing wisely, a vacation might be in order. It's best to wait until after April 20.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 7 - You don't have to come up with all the answers by yourself. Have your advisors consult one another. Let them figure it out.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 7 - A person who hasn't always been there for you in the past could surprise you by coming through in a pinch. Or not. Better find yourself a backup.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 9 - One of the most important things to do in a relationship is to come up with a project that you can work on together. Discuss the possibilities.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 6 - The hard part is almost over. You'll still have a tough assignment to finish, but you know that love is on your side.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is an 8 - You'll find it easier to think clearly over the next several days.

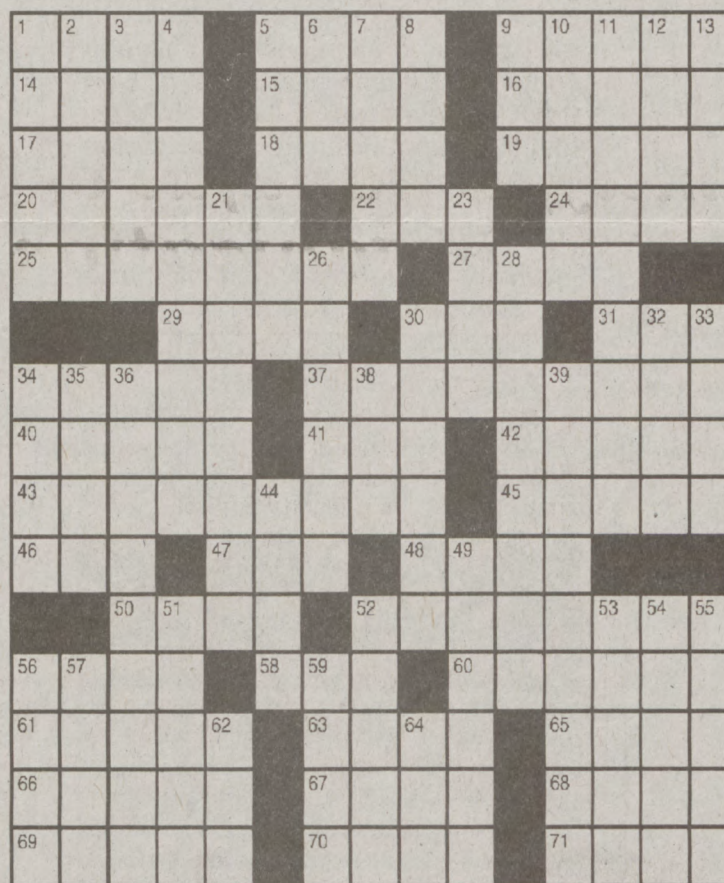
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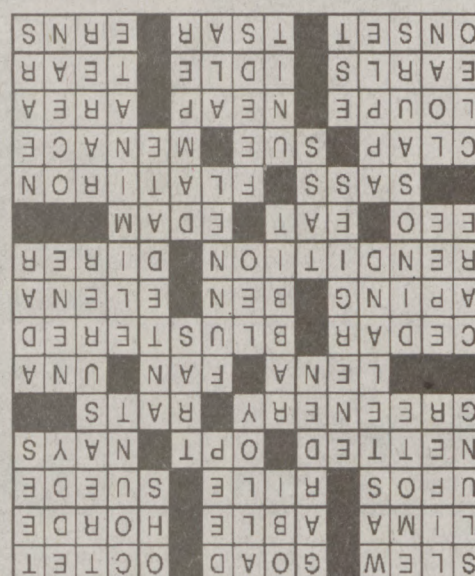
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This is good, since you've been bogged down lately. Don't fret, you'll make up for lost time.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 6 - The further you advance, the more challenges you face. This is a

great comfort if you were afraid you'd die of boredom. You won't.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is an 8 - If you're so smart and lucky, why aren't you rich? All in due time, good friend. All in due

time.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 6 - You have a vivid imagination, but that doesn't mean you can't be a logical scientist, too. In fact, the combination of the two is awesome.

THE LOW DOWN

Wednesday, April 14

The Department of Rhetoric, Communications and Journalism will host its third annual Festival of Writing from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

There will be a Senior Send-Off reception for graduation candidates from 4-6 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the OC.

The College of Arts and Sciences will host a Symphonic Band Concert at 8 p.m. in the Varner Recital Hall.

Thursday, April 15

The Office of the President will host Founder's Day to honor the memory of Alfred and Matilda Dodge Wilson at 10 a.m. in the School of Education and Human Services Building.

The Office of the President will host its Ninth Annual Faculty Recognition Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

Dan Steffy will receive the Louis R. Bragg Graduating Senior Award during a ceremony hosted by the Department of Mathematics and Statistics at 4 p.m. in 368 J Science and Engineering Building.

The Meadow Brook Hall will host its second session of ballroom dancing lessons from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Meadow Brook Hall Ballroom. This week's theme is Fox Trot. Registration is required.

The Music, Theater and Dance Department will present a performance of "Private Lives" at 8 p.m. in the Varner Lab Theater. Also performed April 16 and 17 at 8 p.m., and April 18 at 2 p.m.

Friday, April 16

An opening reception for the MBAG exhibit "Debut" will be held from 5-8 p.m. in 208 Wilson Hall, including artists' talks at 7 p.m.

The School of Business Administration will host its Sixth Annual Applied Technology in Business Conference from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. in the OC.

New Student Programs will host an Express Orientation and Registration Program from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

Horace H.B. Sanders and Mike Green will perform at the Residence Halls Programming Friday Night Live comedy series at 7 p.m. in the Vandenberg Dining Center.

Alpha Delta Pi Sorority and Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity will host "That 80s Party" from 7-11 p.m. in the Gold Rooms of the OC.

Saturday, April 17

The Human Resource Development Honor Society and Student Association will hold its Spring Celebration and Induction Ceremony from 3-5 p.m. in the Pioneer Room of the Rec Center.

Monday, April 19

The CSA will present "The Last Lecture" by Brian Murphy from noon-1:30 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

