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FAST facts

• Attention students: Frances Jackson, associate professor of nursing, presents "End of Life Decisions," a program about decisions at the end of life and their spiritual and monetary influences. The event takes place Thursday at noon, in Gold Room A. Special guest will be Sharon McAuley, spiritual counselor for Genesis Hospice Care.

• OU gets hypnotized. Residence Halls programming presents Hypnotist Michael Anthony Friday at 7 pm in the Vandenberg Cafeteria. All students are welcome.

• Midnight Madness coming. OU Athletics is sponsoring OU's first ever Midnight Madness activities starting at 10 pm Friday, October 15th. Planned activities include student slam dunk and three-point shooting contests, and performances by the cheer and dance teams. The evening ends with a giveaway of two 12-credit tuition scholarships to one male and one female student present in the O'rena, and cider and donuts in the Pioneer Room.

• Cultural Awareness Keynote Sr. Salvador Monroy, Consulate of Mexico, will speak to OU students from 2 until 4 pm Thursday, about the diverse cultural identity of Latinos in the United States. The event takes place in the Pioneer Room of the recreation center.

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Arrest warrants for bathroom sting to be issued

By Shajan Kay
OF THE OAKLAND POST

OU Police will be seeking arrest warrants Thursday for two men, both non-students, who were allegedly video taped performing sex acts in an OU bathroom. The men are residents of Livonia and Auburn Hills. Neither of the men are OU students.

John O'Brien, Chief Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor said that the two will face charges from separate incidents. One of the men is charged with gross indecency between

males and the other, is charged with indecent exposure. The individuals were identified by their faces on camera.

The camera was found by a custodian on the second floor bathroom of South Foundation over the summer leading to an uproar on campus among some OU staff.

According to Lt. Mel Gilroy of the OUPD, the Oakland County Prosecutor has issued a "prosecutor's order" in the case allowing the OUPD to seek arrest warrants.

O'Brien said that the presenting of the order will occur at the 52-3 District Court in Rochester Hills on Thursday morning. Once the OU police officers have presented the information to the Magistrate, the names will be released to the public.

If the Magistrate signs the orders, the individuals will be given 24-hours to surrender themselves to the police, said O'Brien.

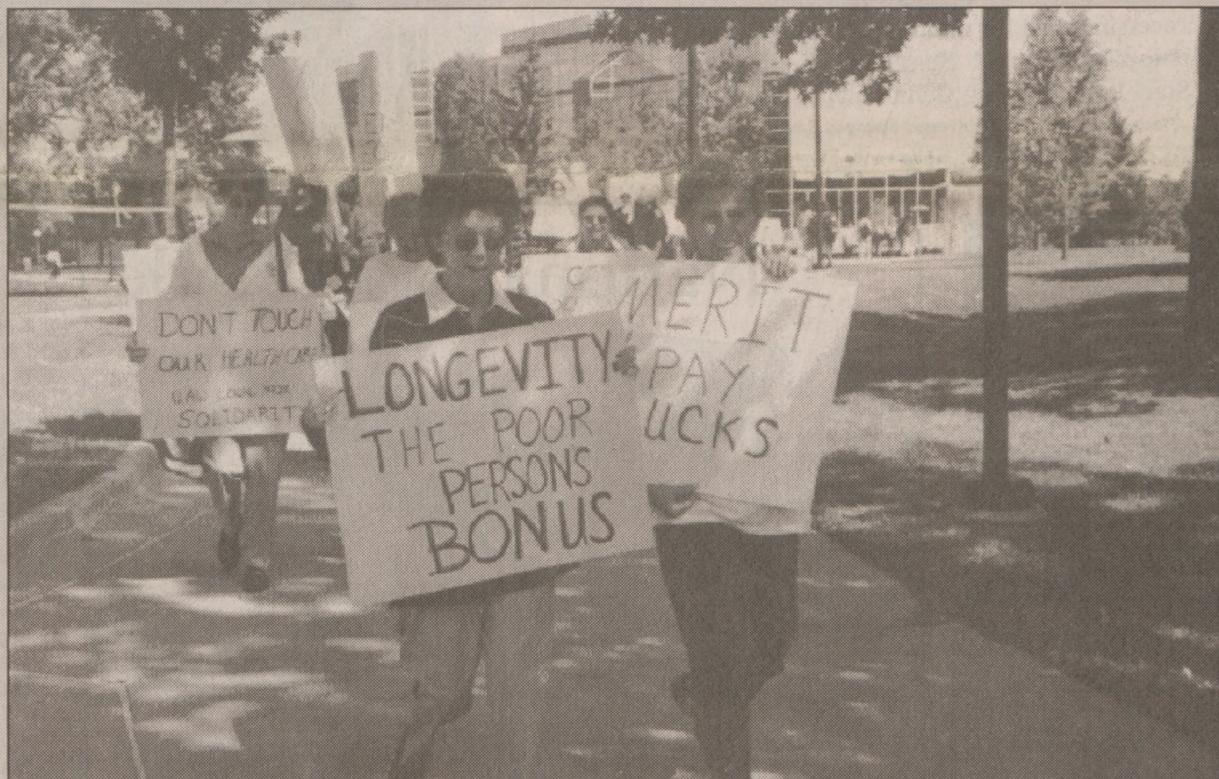
If the individuals do not turn themselves in, they could be arrested by police.

The controversy over the cameras in the men's room and OU's listing on an internet gay website has created some hard feelings between staff and the OU administration. One of the union's on campus is reportedly considering filing a grievance.

Other campuses around the state told WXOU disc jockey, Scott Anderson, that they would "never" put cameras in their bathrooms.

STRIKING a deal

UAW Local 1925 Clerical and Technical workers held an organized march around campus on Thursday, showing support for their union bargaining team. The march lasted 45 minutes. Contract negotiations continue. CT workers have been working under an expired contract since June 30.



\$1.3 million grant funds new technology program

By Maggie Striz
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

In an effort to update Pontiac and Rochester schools' methods of teaching, OU education majors will learn to teach the teachers in elementary and high schools how to make better use of technology in the classroom.

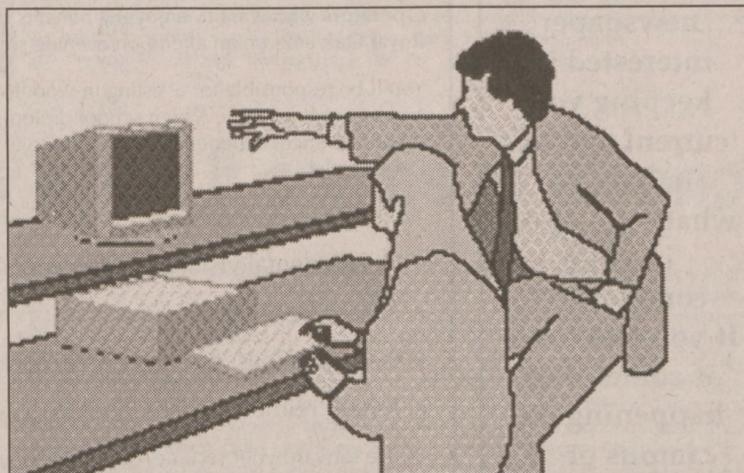
Most teachers today have not learned how to integrate technology, such as the Internet and CD-ROMs, into their classrooms. They came into the workforce before these elements were necessary.

"Teacher training programs generally do not provide future teachers with enough modeling of the integration of technology to prepare them to use technology effectively in their own future classrooms," said Anne Porter, associate professor, of Instructional Systems Technology, SEHS. Yet, there is hope.

With the help of a \$1.3 million grant, Oakland University will begin a program in

which third and fourth year undergraduate and graduate students will be trained as "technology consultants." Beginning in winter 2000, five education students will be trained as consultants and will work with teachers (K-12, and OU professors) to set up appropriate technology for each classroom. As the program continues on, 25 more students will join in the second year. The third and final year for the grant will bring in an exceptionally large number of the entire group of education majors to be prepared for 21st century technology-oriented education.

Elementary and high school students today must be educated in technological areas. The 21st century job market will not allow for incompetence in computer applications. As practicing educators are taught to make use of technology, their positions become more stable, and by having education students instructing these practicing



educators future generations of teachers will be better equipped to provide their students with the best possible skills in technology.

Michigan Virtual University will serve as a partner for project consultants to collaborate through web sites and chat rooms, sharing ideas and experiences. This will allow for better understanding and use of the program. As well as Michigan Virtual University, more than 20 people from OU's

campus added support to the primary team members-Anne Porter, James Cipielewski, Maria Cseh and John E. McEneaney

"This project is another example of Oakland University's commitment to learner-centered technology-enriched education. It is our vision to bring long-term institutional change that is critical to the development of technology-proficient educators for the 21st century," said SEHS Dean Mary Otto.

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• Feeling sad, unable to get going, concentrate and to experience pleasure in your life? Sign up or just come and participate in the **Depression Screening Day Program** sponsored by the Counseling Center on **October 7** at 10:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. The Counseling Center is located in the Graham Health Center building. For more information and/or registration, contact the Counseling Center at 370-3465.

• **Men's Ice Hockey Club at Oakland University.** Don't forget, the opening game for the 1999-2000 season is **October 9** at 7:30 p.m. in the Rochester Onyx Ice Arena at 24 Mile (Parkdale) and Dequindre. This will be their first season in the American Collegiate Hockey Association's Michigan Collegiate Hockey Conference. Almost 30 games will be played against teams from Ferris State, Bowling Green, Ohio State, Michigan State and University of Michigan. Cost is \$2 for students, \$4 for non-students. Come out and show your support!

• **Oakland University's First Annual Midnight Madness** is coming up **October 15**. For more information, contact the CSA office at 2400.

• **Campus Recreation. Watch for the Second Family F.R.E.E. Day!!!** Saturday, **October 16, 1999** from 10 a.m. -3:00 p.m. Special events include a Magic Show, Puppet Show, Balloon Artist, Line Dancing, Open Recreation and Scuba Diving demonstration. No registration required. Free to the Oakland University community.

• **Graham Health Center.** Upcoming flu clinics are scheduled for the following dates in the upper level of the Oakland Center from noon-3 p.m.: October 19 and 26, November 2, 5, 9, 16, 19, 23 and 30, and December 7. Cost is \$8. Hepatitis B will also be available, \$37 for a series of three shots. Call 370-2341 for more information.

• **Second Annual Oakland University Pep Rally** is scheduled for **November 18**. Mark your calendars!

• Coming up—on **November 22nd** will be **The Golden Key National Honor Society's Annual Induction Ceremony and Reception**.

• Residence Halls Programming Presents...**FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE.** Featuring HypnoMentalist Michael Anthony. **Friday, October 8, 1999** at 7 p.m. in Vandenberg Cafeteria. Free! Everyone is Welcome!!

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CRIME watch

• Harassing phone calls. A female student reported approximately nine harassing calls from an unknown male between September 20th and September 30th. The perpetrator has reportedly been calling her at 2 A.M. threatening her and asking for sex. The student stated that some calls have come from on campus.

The case is open.

• Car break-in. A female student reported that while her car was parked in the lot in front of the Foundation Halls September 24th, it had been broken into and textbooks had been stolen. She discovered the break-in when she returned an hour after parking. The passenger door was locked, but the driver's door was unlocked. The driver's side lock apparently had been punched out at an earlier date. Stolen were a backpack and \$234 worth of books.

The case is open

• Traffic Stop leads to arrest. A man driving a 1997 Saturn was pulled over at Meadowbrook and West Oakland Drive for doing 35 in a 15 mile per hour zone. When the officer ran the driver's information, it yielded a warrant for the driver's arrest. The driver, a student at OU, failed to appear on a felony charge involving a credit card in Pontiac. The warrant was issued in April. The driver was arrested and searched, then taken to the OU police department and turned over to a deputy of the Oakland County Sheriffs Department.

• Student found unconscious. A female student was found unconscious by a fellow student in Annibal Hall around 1 P.M. last Wednesday. The student drove the woman to Graham Health Center. Police were called. The woman was found conscious but according to police. She was taken to Crittenton Hospital by ambulance.

Congress forum addresses lack of student contact

Student Body President tries to spark conversation among OU students

By BRENT CHISMAR
OF THE OAKLAND POST

Student body president Nick Mitchell had the best intentions, but only about 30 students and two television news crews showed up for his Friday forum last week meant to improve communication between Congress and the student body.

The news crews from Channels 4 and 7 came because a Mitchell staff member called them anticipating a lively student reaction to the use by OU police this summer of hidden cameras in the second floor men's bathroom in South Foundation Hall.

Though Mitchell hoped to get student input on concerns such as the exclusivity agreement with Pepsi and cameras found in the South Foundation bathroom, the small turnout forced Mitchell to dominate much of the conversation.

The most discussed topic was the discovery of covert video cameras in the men's bathroom. Student reactions were overwhelmingly negative, and Mitchell promised that he and Student Congress would look further into the matter.

None of the attendees voiced opinions on OU's new vending contract with Pepsi.

Mitchell told the assembly that both the placement of the bathroom cameras and the signing of the Pepsi contract were done

without notifying Student Congress so student input was minimal.

He said the Congress Legislative Affairs committee is exploring the steps necessary to get a voting student representative on the board of trustees. That would require a change in the Michigan Constitution, an action being pursued by the Coalition for Student Representation whose members include student government representatives from public universities across the state.

The proposal would "probably make it through the [Michigan] house, but not the Senate," Mitchell said.

In response to the student outcry about bathroom surveillance, Mitchell said that Congress could pass a resolution once it researches exactly what happened and why.

Mitchell also answered several questions from students during the forum.

One issue raised was the parking on campus. Mitchell said that at his meeting with

OU President Gary Russi, in September, OU is hoping to add 200 more spaces in a major parking lot expansion and road rerouting project across from North and South Foundation Halls. The multi-million dollar project is still under discussion and has yet to go to the board of trustees for approval to let bids.

Mitchell also briefed students on new programs currently in the works, one of which is known as the "Best Seat in the House." This program, meant to increase school spirit, would pick two students to sit in luxurious recliners on the floor of OU Men's Basketball home games.

Mitchell plans to schedule more open forums, possibly two per semester. An idea for a town hall-style congress meeting is also under consideration.

Vice President Rob Filer also thinks that holding future forums on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons would be a wise move and attract more attendees.

Battle of the bulge

On an average, college freshmen gain fifteen pounds during their first year away at college

By Sara Kelts
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Have you had to adjust the notch on your belt lately? Are your pants getting a little too close for comfort? Beware! You could be the next victim of the Freshman 15!

The Freshman 15 is a reference to the approximate weight gain of fifteen pounds by the end of the first year of college. Most students here admit to having shed a few pounds during the first few weeks of classes. A female sophomore (who wishes to remain anonymous) stated, "I lost a few pounds my first few weeks here, but by the end of the year I had gained fifteen pounds exactly!"

What is it that contributes to the mass collected on various parts of your body? RHC Vice President Bryan Williams said, "the food offered in the cafeteria forces students to seek food elsewhere. That's when they go out to fast food restaurants. But also as Vice President of RHC, I am overseeing a food committee that will evaluate the condition of the food in the Vandenberg Cafeteria and we are working on trying to improve it."

Not eating enough healthy foods is a factor. The inactivity of many students is also part of the problem. Although students are encouraged to spend hours on studying and homework, not a lot of emphasis is placed on moving your body.

The Rec. Center provides many opportunities to stay fit: aerobics classes, weight training, and a great big pool.

Intramural sports are another outlet for energy. Teams for most sports have been formed already, but students can still sign up. Just call the recreation office at (248) 370-4REC.

The biggest consensus, though, for gaining weight freshman year is the consumption of alcohol. Though the legal age for

drinking is 21, for many freshman beer is as much a part of college life as classes.

Alcohol, including beer slows down the body's metabolism forcing fat to store up. The solution is simple, just don't drink!

But students also have to get moving. Instead of taking the elevator walk a few flights of stairs to the dorm room or classes. Don't park in the closest parking spot (usually not an issue!). What ever you do, just make sure you keep moving!

Graham Health Center will be hosting a seminar later this month about maintaining a healthy diet. ARAMARK Services has some pamphlets in the Oakland Center. Here are some simple tips to a healthier life, according to one of the brochures, "Guide Yourself to Good Nutrition."

Eat a variety of foods, maintain a healthy weight, choose a diet low in fat and cholesterol. Also you should eat plenty of vegetables, fruits and grains. Use sugars, salt and sodium in moderation.

What it all comes down to is that a balance of a healthy diet and regular exercise is the ticket to good health.

Anonymous
OU
sophomore

I lost a few pounds my first few weeks here, but by the end of the year I had gained fifteen pounds exactly!

Students and faculty who eat on campus have a limited menu to choose from. For residence students Burger King, Pizza Hut and DC Subs are often the only food venues open during the weekend.

Reena Sibayan/The Oakland Post



Incoming students pause when it comes to alcohol

By Beth Stemzynski
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The stories are too prevalent. A college sophomore dies in an alcohol related driving accident. Two seniors instigate a fight at an all-night frat party after drinking with friends. A 21-year-old dies after the alcohol level in her blood becomes toxic. The list goes on.

Because of stories like these, a new bill was recently signed by Governor John Engler in an attempt to reduce alcohol related deaths on college campuses.

It is called the Pause Program, and it went into effect this fall at 13 public universities throughout Michigan, including OU.

The idea of the program is to promote alcohol awareness among incoming students, and to give them an opportunity to participate in alcohol free activities. It is a way to show them that there is more to college life than parties and binge drinking.

According to Adam Kochenderfer, a member of Student Congress who participated in the program this fall as a men-

tor, students can sign up for the Pause Program at orientation.

Once a member, students are placed into groups of 10 people or so and matched with a mentor. From there they meet about once a week as a group to see a movie or go out to dinner, chat about their new experiences with college life, and give and get advice.

Some students join the Pause Program to get to know new people and to have a good time, while others join because they have experienced problems with alcohol at home and do not want to fall into the same trap.

From some freshmen, it is just comforting to know that there are other people on campus that they know and can turn to with a problem. "I had one student who asked me what SFH meant on his schedule," said Kochenderfer. It does not matter how insignificant the problem is; the other program members are there to help.

It helps new students find an "alcohol free niche" as a member of a small group. It also promotes trust among members and confidence about college life. "Once they have that confidence, they will be able to make better choices about alcohol," said Kochenderfer.

The mentors are nominated by the program sponsors, Nancy Schmitz, director of the Graham Health Center, and Brenda Hartman, psychologist at the Counseling Center.

After interviews and an all-day training session including how to counsel new students, where to direct them for further guidance, and how to help them adapt to their new environment, the mentors are assigned with their groups.

Each mentor receives a budget of around \$300 to use when planning activities for their groups. "We tried to plan one event a week, and I think most people were able to do that," said Kochenderfer.

The mentors try to call members of their group at the beginning of each week to get a consensus about what everyone wants to do that

When the five week program was over, the mentors are given a \$200 Spirit Cash stipend and the freshmen have a better awareness about drinking and the knowledge that alcohol does not have to be involved in order to have a good time.

PERSPECTIVES

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EDITOR'S view

Student apathy over campus issues echoes the "Sound of Silence"

As editor in chief of *The Oakland Post*, I have come to realize that many OU students don't care much about anything.

We have published four issues of *The Post* and have covered many important and controversial stories, and frankly, I have no clue as to how students felt about any of them.

I hope that I'm not wrong to assume that students actually read the paper, because every Wednesday when I walk around campus distributing them, there are students who immediately pick up copies.

Does anyone care that OU switched from Coke to Pepsi?

Does anyone care that there were hidden cameras in a men's bathroom?

What happened to the good old days when a pig roast brought out every animal rights activist to complain about animal cruelty?

Does anyone care that President Gary Russi received a \$30K pay increase?

It's a shame that no one cares! No one except the four people who have either written a letter to the editor or have called me on the phone expressing some type of concern over an issue.

Last week, student body president Nick Mitchell held an open forum in the Fireside Lounge inviting students to come and openly voice their opinions and concerns, and I'm ashamed to report that about 30 out of 14,040 students attended!

Although I wasn't around during the 1960s and 70s, I've been told that students back then demanded a voice and

made themselves heard on the pressing issues of the day. There were sit-ins and sit down strikes, placard waving protesters, rallies and forums and marches on Washington.

They were concerned about voter registration, school integration, civil rights and body bags from Vietnam. Maybe the stakes seem lower now. The biggest concern for students these days may be car payments, child care issues and credit card debt.

Sure times have changed, male students who drop out don't risk coming home in a body bag, instead, they risk being videotaped in the bathroom.

The point that I'm trying to make is that students need to stop sitting back ignoring issues that face them on campus. Some of our issues, for those of you who don't know, deal with the lack of priority given to parking (OU's intent on growing student enrollment with no thought to where these extra students are going to park, or where the extra sections of classes can be held.) Another issue concerning students is our outdated library resources.

In order for change to occur, individuals need to voice their concerns. There are many ways to be heard on our campus.

You can write to *The Oakland Post*.

You can approach WXOU, OU's radio station, and ask for air time.

You can attend a Board of Trustees meeting and get on the agenda to speak.

You can join any one of our student organizations and get directly involved with activities.

Our student congress always has open positions available for students who want to have political presence.

Perhaps the biggest issue of all is the profound and eerie "Sound of Silence." Simon and Garfunkel heard it all before.

JENN MADJAREV
Editor In Chief

LETTERS TO THE editor

Dear Editor,

Several months ago the *Post* published a series of reports on students based partly on data collected by Laura Schartman at the Office of Institutional Research. What probably caught everyone's eye were the headlines, which seemed to promise students that they would get better grades if they took a part time job. I have always been skeptical of such claims and believe that our students' greatest handicap is the desire or the necessity of holding down a job.

Studies like this are easily misinterpreted. It is true that the average OU student who works part time has been getting higher average grades than the average nonworking student and the average full time working student. But, it is different to suppose that you will improve your GPA by taking a 20 hour job. Imagine some earlier day when no OU student held down a job. When employers started to lure students with attractive wages, what student would be the most likely to first take a job? I would say it would be the student with the least to lose by working; perhaps, a very self-disciplined student, perhaps a student in an easy major subject, or perhaps a student with high grades to begin with who was not worried about grades.

Dr. Schartman didn't intend the study design to address the implied issue in the headline—"will I improve my grades if I take a 20-hour-a-week job?" A recent study of

grades in economics at Appalachian State University illustrates a design better addressed to the students' questions. There they estimated simultaneously the effects of many factors on student grades in economics courses. First, they were able to corroborate the "classic" factors that improve grades: show up for class, don't party so much, carry a manageable course load, and have a good intellectual track record to begin with. "Hours worked" at a job, though a little imprecise in its measurement, had a large negative effect on grades. For some reason, the effect for male students was significantly measured, negative, and much more harmful to grades.

Social science is not like natural science, at least not yet. Studies like this must be repeated seemingly endless times if we wish to separate the "wheat from the chaff." The moral of the story, though, is clear. Take a part time job if you need money pretty badly. If you want to improve your grades, there is as yet little reason to hope taking a job will help. It doesn't make sense to me to base one's choice at the margin on a study of average experiences of working vs. nonworking students. There are many positive steps one can take whose effects are positive and clear. In my personal view, Americans in general and students in particular work too much already; let's at least avoid doing so for the wrong reasons.

Sherman Folland
Associate Professor of Economics
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Response to CSA office space

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the subtle, but blatant attack on the Association of Black Students and our having office space. The writer chose to withhold his or her name, I assume, to avoid verbal assault; but when this person questioned the importance of ABS, I took it as a personal attack. The author not only was wrong in assuming that the CSA "gave" us our office space, but also made a grave mistake in assuming that the intelligence level of the reader was below that of his or her own.

First, our office space was designated to us by the Oakland Center as was Student Congress' and others. A panel that included students, made this decision, not the CSA office. If one were aware of the workings of ABS, they would know that it serves as the collective unit which governs all of the predominantly African-American organizations. Our membership exceeds 250 and is the largest student organization on campus. Those who are not "official" members, still look to the Association of Black Students for guidance, help and, leadership. Does the Fencing Society or the Phi

Beta Kappa's that the author referred to have memberships of this magnitude here at Oakland?

Secondly, the author seemed to have believed that a reader would sympathize with him or her because of the use of the terms minority and affirmative action. The writer stated that he or she belonged to a minority—being deaf. He or she then stated that it was not a form of racism (ABS "getting" an office) because of the fact that he or she was deaf. Isn't deafness a disability and not a race? If so, it would never be a race issue. The term affirmative action was used in hopes of playing on the controversial topic and gives indication that the Association of Black Students having office space was a form of reverse racism. Au contraire mon ami. ABS was not "elevated" above our contemporaries, but instead recognized for what we do, the masses that we lead which include students of non-African descent, and the impact that our students have on the university as a whole.

Respectfully,
Shaunda Scruggs
President, The Association of
Black Students

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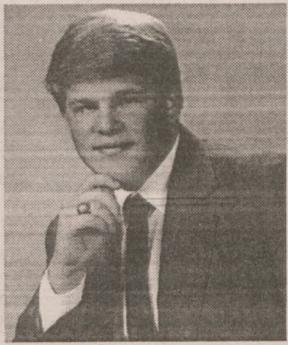
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Lecture notes hit web

Houston site charges fee for access, OU's free CWW works with faculty

By Pam Hendrix and Carmen Abrego
OF THE OAKLAND POST

Students in more than 80 courses can access lecture notes, syllabi and announcements online to augment their classes, but five faculty were surprised to learn apparently "unauthorized" copies of their lectures were being sold by a Houston based web site.

The Oakland Post discovered notes from faculty on the site www.studentu.com while surfing the web.

"I was not aware that my notes were on the Internet. I would have liked to know ahead of time that the student was selling my notes so I could check the accuracy of them. I don't want the wrong information out," said Arthur Orme, Rhetoric special lecturer.

After going into the Internet site, Orme felt that he would be able to identify the student who sold his notes to the web site. "The notes were somewhat accurate, but failed to include some assignments and did not have enough details. I will investigate to see if a particular student's schedule contains the other four faculty whose notes appeared on this site. I will contact the appropriate sources to check on OU policy," said Orme.

Another faculty member whose notes appeared on studentu.com also checked out his notes online.

"These are not my notes. If students used these notes in lieu of class I feel it would be a mistake. The notes are embarrassing, they are filled with words misspelled, and they are not organized in any meaningful way," said Joseph Callaghan, an associate professor, in business administration.

Ananda Sen, an associate professor in math and statistics was equally concerned. "The notes printed on this site are only a generic description of the lecture. They are not my notes. I think the student may have even taken material straight from the book and not given proper cred-

it to the author. This could be a potential problem legally."

Studentu.com is the creation of Oran Wolf of Houston. According to information printed on his web site, students are paid up to \$300 a semester/course for taking notes. Wolf could not be reached for comment. The site does offer a disclaimer-notifying subscribers who pay \$14.95 per month service fee that studentu.com is not responsible for, "Timeliness, deletion or mis delivery."

Lecture notes printed online raise both concern and praise from professors. "I'm not sure about the impact of this new element since it is not clear what is meant by class notes. I know of a few successful cases where the instructor will leave gaps in the notes every now and then giving an opportunity to the student to develop what should be there," said Naim Kheir, OU professor and chairman, electrical and systems engineering. "If I had research material then I would be the author. I should therefore be the one making the decision if it should appear on the web. A person can get into a major league of problems with copyrights."

Many professors question the quality of notes on the Internet and what those notes are being used for or substituted for.

"People hold out false hope that notes posted can be used as a substitution for classroom interaction. It may convince students that only these notes are what is important," said Sean Farrell Moran, associate professor of history. "I don't know of any subject that can be wholly contained within the professors

notes." Moran feels strongly that, "Professor's notes are original and are the property of the instructor. I would be concerned that unique ideas developed by the instructor could be obtained through such easy means," said Moran.

Professors feel students should be aware of the positive and negative aspects to purchasing notes online.

"There has always been these kinds of opportunities available, but should the student do it? You are really doing damage to yourself. It can't be used as a substitute," said Virinder Moudgil, chairman of the biological sciences department.

While negative aspects do exist

www.ums.edu/cww according to John Coughlin, desktop systems analyst.

"The response has been good, but the key to success is how the teacher will use the site," said Coughlin.

Many OU professors use The Course Web Wizard (CWW) to enhance their lecture material.

"The CWW is the greatest thing since sliced bread," said Susan Wood OU associate professor, art history. "The CWW gives me a template for syllabi, lecture notes and announcements. Most of the information I also give out in hard copy."

James Dow an anthropology professor said, "I use the CWW as an adjunct and enhancement to each course. My students feel that this tool cuts the time in half that was spent going to the library and running around campus."

Students should beware that discrepancies in notes might exist unless the faculty member is providing the material on the website.

"I don't care what you read on the Internet, the test has not been cancelled!"

some professors find advantages in having lecture notes online.

"Lecture notes online provide information to the student only as a supplement. It should not be used as the main delivery mechanism of the subject," said Louis Nachman, professor of mathematical science.

Students can view the "authorized" notes put up by faculty themselves using



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Student Reaction to Online Notes

"I think it is good because it can help us in class. If the professor did not approve of the notes being published, then I think it is wrong to sell those notes that's just like stealing."
April Patterson, junior, human resource management

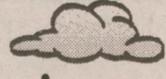
"If the student wants to pay for it that is the students prerogative. If he is foolish enough to pay \$800 for a class then pays extra to purchase notes, then the student gets what he deserves which is an empty wallet."
John Matalavy, junior, finance.

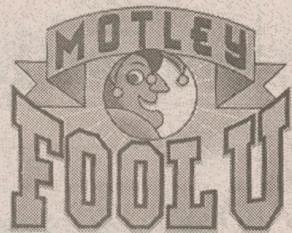
"I am not in favor of students selling what they think is important because that may be different from what the professor thinks is important. It is not fair to those students who can't afford to pay for notes or who don't have a computer."
Don Bolger, senior, electrical engineering.



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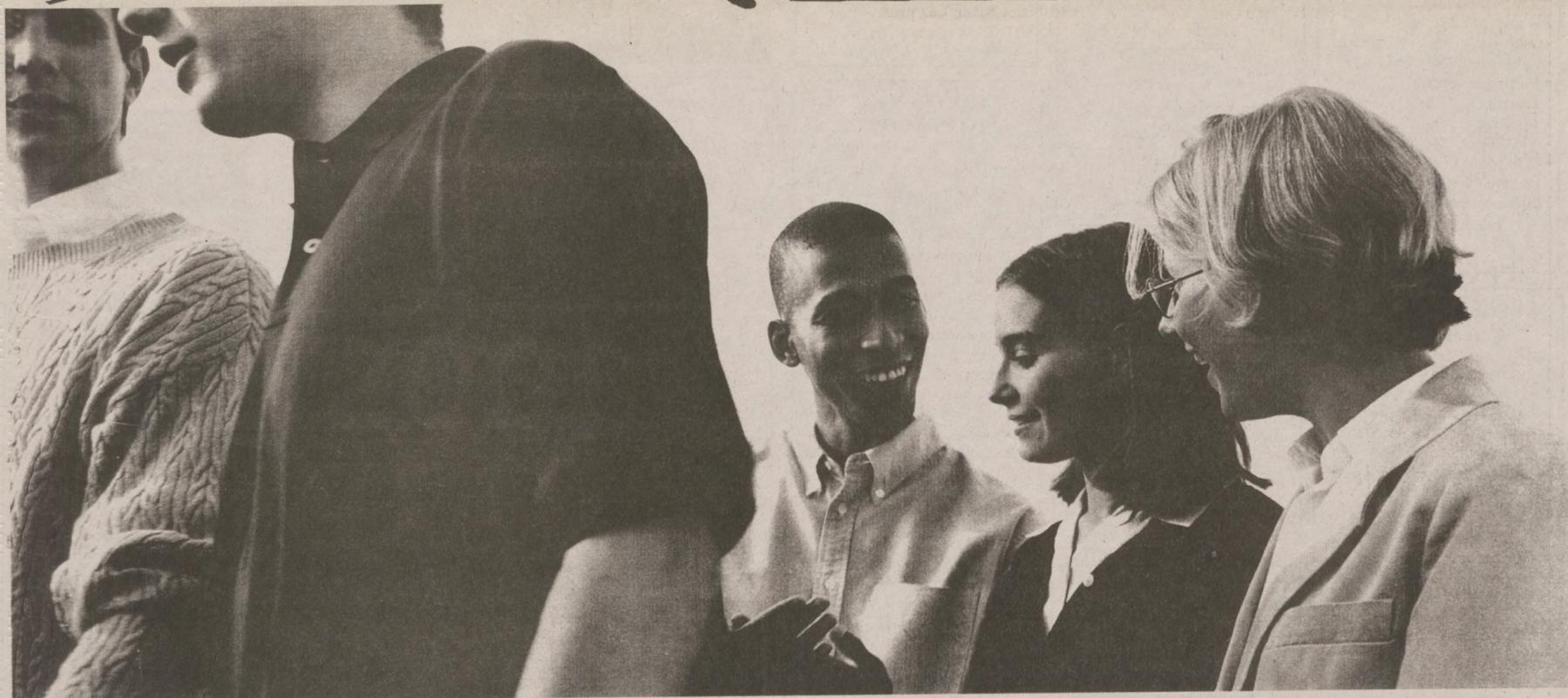
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•Meadow Brook Theatre's production of **THE ODD COUPLE** ends Oct. 10. This is your last chance to check out the female version by Neil Simon. Call 248-377-3300 for information.

•The Honors College is unveiling **ECHO COGNITION**, a sculpture by Joseph Wesner. Go to 112 Vandenberg Hall today at 5 p.m. and check it out.

•The Department of Music, Theatre and Dance is holding a student showcase of improv games "**THE SET.**" The event is Oct. 8 and 9 at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. in Varner Studio Theatre.

SHOWS

•**JONATHAN RICHMAN** will be at 7th House tonight. Doors are at 8 p.m., advance tickets \$10.

•**PUBLIC ENEMY** will be at the Majestic Thursday night at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$21 in advance.

•**SHAWN PHILLIPS** will be in Ann Arbor at the Lonely Hearts Club Friday. Show starts at 9 p.m., tickets \$15.

•Friday at the Majestic, **BURNING SPEAR** will play. Doors at 9 p.m., tickets \$20.

•**TOM PETTY** and The Heartbreakers' "Echo Tour" comes to the Palace of Auburn Hills this Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$40-50.

•Wayne State University's Hilberry Theatre opens the season with **LAUGHTER ON THE 23rd FLOOR** by Neil Simon. Tickets are \$11-18. Call 313-577-2972.

• **THE MERCHANT OF VENICE** by William Shakespeare will also be running at the Hilberry Theatre starting Oct. 15.

COMING SOON

•**CREED** with special guest **OUR LADY PEACE** and **OLEANDER** rock the Palace of Auburn Hills Oct. 15. Tickets are \$24.50.

•**KID ROCK** comes to the Palace of Auburn Hills Saturday Oct. 23. Show starts at 8 p.m., tickets are \$22.50. Special guests at the show include Powerman 5000, DDT and others.

Three Kings



THREESOME: George Clooney (left), Ice Cube (middle) and Mark Wahlberg (right) star in Warner Brothers motion picture of "Three Kings."

By Karen Mangune
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The motion picture "Three Kings" is a movie based on the 1991 Persian Gulf War. It opens with United States soldiers heading back to their base, after the cease-fire has been declared. When suddenly an Iraqi soldier appears waving a white cloth in the air, with a weapon still in his hand. Sergeant Troy Barlow (Mark Wahlberg) asks his fellow soldiers if they are shooting or not, and then, without any hesitation shoots and kills the Iraqi. The soldiers then celebrate their victory.

On the day Saddam Hussein surrendered, Sergeant Chief Elgin (Ice Cube) and Barlow are searching the Iraqi soldiers who had surrendered to the U.S. army. When one soldier puts up a fight, he is stripped, and a map is found in a "cheeky" area. Both men figure it's of value and decide to do some secretive research on the destinations contained in the map. Sergeant Major Archie Gates (George Clooney) then walks in and decides to include himself in the deal. He figures the map contains directions to a hidden bunker where Saddam has hidden gold and other valuable merchandise (like a Lexus convertible, wait till you see the movie and you'll understand) stolen from Kuwait. Gates says, "Saddam stole it from them and now we're going to steal it from Saddam." A selfish decision made against the orders of the United States Army.

The movie, directed and written by David O. Russell, cre-

ates and captures scenes of how Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein treated innocent civilians. In one scene he has Iraqi soldiers allowing the U.S. Army to take some of the valuables they are guarding, rather than surrendering their authority to the civilian rebels, and letting them have their freedom.



slur possible.

During their journey in search of the gold bullion four men, Gates, Elgin, Barlow, and Private Conrad Vig (Spike Jonze) meet up with enemies and make some friends along the way.

In scenes that Russell creates, Gates describes in detail

what happens to the body when a bullet hits it. As he goes on he uses more and more descriptive words, and the scene begins to change showing an actual image of a lung when it gets hit, along with the deep and heavy breathing. You'd swear it was something you used to watch in your human biology class.

An Iraqi mother yells for the U.S. soldiers not to leave, just before an Iraqi soldier puts a bullet through her head in front of her husband and daughter. Though this film portrays some actuality, it also criticizes Iraqi soldiers, their politics, and raises just about every racial

As the movie continues, the men are faced with the dilemma of whether to fulfill their joys and dreams by stealing the gold, or do their duty as U.S. soldiers and protect the civilian rebels. George Clooney meets his character's qualities satisfactorily. The Sergeant Major, who is able to take charge, demands that whatever he says goes his way, though he is very fickle in his decisions.

Director David O. Russell gives us a somewhat conceptual point of view on the Persian Gulf War. I wondered if some of the themes were valid. I also question why the United States Army didn't go back to Iraq and assist them in establishing a new government. And if President George Bush encouraged Iraqis to stand guard and fight for their freedom against Hussein, where was the U.S. Army?

Overall, the movie definitely had lots of action, with mines blowing up, tear gas being fired into the air, and Humvees being blown to pieces.

There was a significant amount of humor in a few scenes, but it definitely gave an inside look at the 1991 Persian Gulf War, and for this I salute Russell, especially since this is his first film in a major studio.

The gauntlet has been thrown, will it be picked up?

People walk in here, sometimes, and tell us how to do our jobs. What we should be doing, what we have to publish and how we should be running things around here. And we, to the best of our ability listen to what the students have to say, unlike certain people on campus. I'm talking about OU's President, Gary Russi.

Not only does Russi lose points in the department of listening to the student voice, ie. picking Pepsi to represent our school, golf courses being built, etc., but many of the students don't know who Gary Russi is. In an unscientific poll, fifty-six percent of the surveyed students wouldn't know Gary Russi if they walked by him. Forty-four percent of the surveyed students said they knew who he was, and many of them said they only knew who he was because they have seen his picture in our publications. There's something wrong with this.

A president of a university should be known by the majority of the stu-

dent body. Forty-four percent is not even half. There's something to say about this.

I have yet to see OU's President in the OC at peak hours (noon-1:00p.m.) smiling or saying hi to students. In fact, the other day I walked right past Gary Russi and as I looked right at him waiting for eye contact, he just walked right past me without a glance or nod. I thought a president was supposed to run a university by looking out for the students best interests, not by running this university like a corporation with a distant, unapproachable C.E.O.

My challenge to you, Gary Russi, is to get out on campus and talk to students, and most of all listen to what

they have to say.

One way to get out there is to give up that prime parking spot of yours and give to a "student of the month," or something. Not only will you meet students, slowly but surely, but you will also see what it's really like to find a parking spot here on campus. Maybe then you'll start spending more money building parking lots and not golf courses.

Students should have a voice on everything that goes on around here, before the board votes on it. And not only should the students have a voice, but the board should close its collective mouths and open its ears and really listen to what the students have to say.

Yes, the majority of us aren't as old as you President Russi, but we know what we like and dislike. I bet if you listen to the students more, you'll find out that less students would be bitching about what sucks here and hear more of what students like at OU. Then maybe more students would

want to go here, because OU is about the students and not about dumb golf courses. That's more likely to build a strong alumni organization that will support OU in the future making it an above-par institution of learning.

President Russi, I'm throwing down the gauntlet. Are you going to pick it up or let it stand there with unanswered issues. It's your choice. But let me warn you, the students are listening to your answer, and they are paying attention.

Your answer will reflect how you truly feel about the students and OU. However, I do hope you learn of this challenge, because its unlikely you'll read it here because to better communicate the campus you eliminated faculty and staff subscriptions to this newspaper.

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WXOU

SWIMMING UPSTREAM



By Ted Bolak
OF THE OAKLAND POST

WXOU staff is working hard to build a following. In its new location in the O.C. students can actually, now, follow the broadcast through a window in the hallway.

And soon students will be able to listen in on the station through their computers...That's right, students can tune in online. WXOU's web site is currently under construction. The main goal is to increase the amount of listeners and to make WXOU known to the public.

In the past, OU's radio station has not been well recognized and the availability of information was limited. To increase traffic to the station a new web site is being built. Undertaking this project is Web Director Umolovouvwe Eiiro O. Onomake. The site will include program information, station information and profiles of DJs (including pictures) and their shows.

As of now the site has cost the station no money. Most of the site is scheduled to be operational by the end of October.

The station plans to make its on air programming available on the web. This will enable those browsing online to listen to WXOU. This feature is the only item to cost the radio station on their web site. The price tag is uncertain said Onomake, but the staff is financially willing to undertake it whatever the cost.

WXOU hopes that by using these new tools, it will reach more people.

These new ideas represent further growth in the station since its early days on AM.

Back in the 1970's and 1980's OU's radio station known as WOUX, could be heard in car radios and in dorm rooms.

The station went off the air when OU's telephones were switched from analog to digital in 1985. The radio station was forced to broadcast from a single speaker in the basement of the Oakland.

In 1993, the station applied to the FCC for a FM license with

the formal backing of OU, financial support from student activities fee money and a grant from the OU Foundation.

In the summer of 1993, the station was granted a construction permit. This enabled the radio staff to start building its station.

Compromises had to be made, including the range of coverage. The station initially wanted to point its signal south of OU, because that is where the majority of students live. But other stations signals would have interfered, so WXOU was forced to direct their signal north. After this it seemed that the station was headed to complete its permit.

However, since the licensing process was new to OU, it did not have a construction engineer. Eventually, in the fall 1993 the radio station hired an engineer Mike Labond who is still with OU. Due to the initial lack of an engineer, the station was forced to apply for an extension in its construction permit.

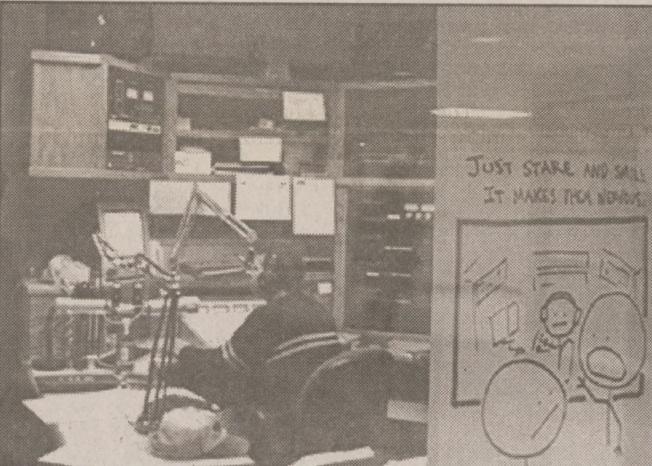
A series of complications arose between 1993 and 1995 concerning the coverage area and the FCC. These delayed the station even further, frustrating everyone. But finally WXOU went on the air on September 7, 1996.

This year's format for the station is patterned after past years. What this means is that the music and programs aired, are approved by the general manager, and then left up to the DJ's discretion.

WXOU is not your ordinary station. Its goal of is to offer its audience something unique and different, something that isn't mainstream. Jim Miller (host of Jimmy Swing Broadcast) talked of his goal that is shared by other staff, "...offering culture, variety, and something unique to all of the listeners."

Some staff members have been a part of the radio from the first days of FM such as Matt Mclean, Mike Kearns, Justin Lee, Chris McCullen and Keith McKinnon. All of these staff members have free-based

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Post Photos/Reena Sibayan

(TOP)DECISIONS, DECISIONS: Music Director, Chris McCullen chooses what music will be played during WXOU's broadcast.
(BOTTOM) ON AIR: WXOU tears up the wavelengths daily. Located downstairs in the OC, they can be seen broadcasting from the hall.

Beauty hides the beast

By Angela D. Harris

SPECIAL WRITER TO THE OAKLAND POST

Protection is the new buzzword in local gyms, schools and workplaces. Men and women alike are taking self-defense classes wanting to be prepared. With the recent surge of violent and sexual crimes there is a great need for new safety ideas.

The market on self-defense items is wide open. Tasers, batons and rings are storming the market of self-protection.

The "Stunning" ring is the newest rage. Developed by Joe Hippensteel, this ring was designed to be beautiful and dangerous. Hippensteel has managed several different compa-

nies including World Class Health & Sports Center and a BioTech Company. His successes have paved the way for him to create his new company,

Stunning Innovations Inc. The black onyx and sterling silver ring is a new release from

Stunning Innovations Inc. The cost of this ring is \$59.95 plus \$6.95 shipping and handling. It contains a small canister of pepper spray. The canister contains the highest heat pepper spray available measuring 2 million SHU. This can be compared to a jalapeno pepper, which only mea-

sures 5000 SHU.

The ring carries a safety lock feature to prevent accidental discharges. Just above the safety lock is the trigger.

With a quick flick of the wrist and push of a button, beauty becomes the beast and protection is expelled.

The attacker is rendered helpless within seconds.

Intense burning of the eyes, nose, throat and skin begins. Vision is impaired and difficulty in breathing ensues. These effects wear off in 45 minutes and leave no permanent damage.

In a recent press release,

Hippensteel claimed that the ring could be worn at all times. In the company's brochure, however, the purchaser is instructed not to wear the ring while driving, flying or operating machinery. It is also suggested that the ring should not be worn in crowded places where other innocent people may be affected by the discharge of pepper spray.

The ring must also be kept very clean. If any dust or foreign objects block the discharge hole, then the pepper spray can be deflected back into the shooter's face or hand. The ring cannot be immersed in any liquid solution or exposed to any

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'The Fragile' side of Nine Inch Nails

By Dan MacNeill

SPECIAL WRITER TO THE OAKLAND POST

It's been five years since Nine Inch Nails' *The Downward Spiral*, and you may wonder what the hell has been going on. Trent Reznor, the man who is Nine Inch Nails, has been involved in many things, including producing for other bands, film scores and remixes of his old material. But nothing is quite as huge in musical scope as the double CD, *The Fragile*.

The Fragile is like a sonic video, detailing the psychological state of Trent Reznor's subconscious. Bob Ezrin, co-collaborator with Pink Floyd's *The*

Wall, also helped with the "continuity and flow" on this one.

One minute dense walls of buzzing guitars and strange computerized sounds fill the stereo, creating intricate layers upon layers of careful balance. Next minute, it's all washed away with quiet interludes of pianos and stringed instruments. As the album carries on, the music gets deeper and deeper into the dark regions most people don't visit, let alone have the talent for musically depicting.

Never before has an artist used computers as a primary tool for sound and achieved such an outstanding display of something as un-mechanized as emotion, as in songs like "Into the Void" and

the beautifully melodic "The Great Below." What is amazing is the balance between the inter-twining drum machine patterns and synths, and the use of real drums and real instruments. Throughout the album Reznor combines the best of both worlds.

The Nine Inch Nails musical vision is very close to realization on *The Fragile*. Not as blatantly violent and negative as *The Downward Spiral*, or even as accessible, *The Fragile* seems to push them a step further. Reznor's musical growth is displayed with the use of instruments such as cellos on the haunting "La Mer," and the use of violins

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Who are they?

INFORMAL POLL ASKS STUDENTS TO IDENTIFY PROMINENT OU ADMINISTRATORS

By Sara McDowell
OF THE OAKLAND POST

An unscientific poll was taken last week in the Oakland Center and around campus. The poll asked 100 students if they recognized pictures of three prominent OU leaders. Pictured were OU President Gary Russi, Dean of Students David Herman, and the Athletic Director, Jack Mehl. Of the 100 students polled, 44 recognized the face of President Russi. When asked how they recognized him, the most common responses were they had seen his picture in *The Oakland Post*.

Disciplinary action was the number one reason that 40 out of 100 students knew the face of the Dean of Students Herman.

Athletic Director Mehl, was recognized by 34 out of 100 students questioned. The majority of those who recognized him are athletes at OU.

OU PRESIDENT
GARY RUSSI



Photo courtesy of 1999 media guide

No 56%

Yes 44%

OU DEAN OF STUDENTS
DAVID HERMAN



Photo from Post photo file

No 60%

Yes 40%

OU ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
JACK MEHL



Photo courtesy of sports media guide

No 66%

Yes 34%

GET OUT

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ROCK *the* VOTE



Post Photo/Reena Sibayan
BREWING IN OUR JUICES: Bo's Brewery is host to "Rock the Vote" on Wednesday, Oct. 13, 1999.

Get out and vote

Rock the Vote festivities remind us of the addition of one more thing on the "To Do" list



CARA PLOWMAN

Almost everyday I wake up to a beautiful world, and I can't ask for much more than that. There are no nuclear wars for me to fight, so far no flash flooding, no bullets have ever blazed pass my body and no world changing decisions have had to be made by me.

The only problems I really have are that of school. Occasional crises may knock on my door, but I can tell them to take a number in the back of the line if I want.

All right, I'll admit it. I am not a registered voter. I turned 18 during the summer of 1998, and although the idea to register did cross my mind, I never actually committed to doing it.

I'm the type of person that ignores getting my oil changed every three months. I buy shampoo only when the bottle has been empty for a day or two. I start to study for tests two weeks prior, and not a day earlier. So far, no problem.

How hard could it be? If you don't make it to Rock the Vote, registration takes a minute or two at the Secretary of State. Time spent in the actual voting booth is even shorter.

It's not as if I live oblivious to the world around me. It's not like I don't want my voice to count, or I don't think that I have anything to say. I couldn't be a journalism major and not read the daily paper.

So, pretty much I'm saying that I have been delinquent, no excuses.

The recent guilt I have experienced has sent me into a self doubt filled frenzy. I have felt stupid and uninformed for too long. But not for much longer.

I hadn't seen the urgency to register because there was no presidential election coming. If there had been, perhaps I wouldn't have lagged so much. Now, in the millennium hoopla, and an election creeping up, I really need to just do it.

Your opinion counts for a lot more than you think. Voting is the easiest way to let the everyone know which way you want the world to spin. It's certainly a lot easier than screaming on street corners (not recommended).

If you're the type of person who is more likely to do something because authority doesn't want you to, now is as good a time as any to register. Senate Bill 306 is alleged to try and dissuade our age group from voting by making the whole process troublesome.

Next Wednesday my march down Ignorance Ave. will come to an end. After classes, I will go to Rock the Vote at Bo's Brewery in Pontiac and fill out whatever forms it takes. I will be a registered voter!

Cara Plowman is a sophomore journalism major and Assistant Life Editor for THE OAKLAND POST.

"This isn't your grandparents' politics."

Oakland County Commissioner Tim Melton

By Cara Plowman
OF THE OAKLAND POST

Next Wednesday, Oct 13, Rock the Vote will take over BO's Brewery & Bistro in Pontiac. The event is aimed at encouraging young americans to vote and raising voter awareness.

The event was organized by Oakland County Commissioner Tim Melton. The 'non-political representative' started planning the event a year and a half ago with his campaign manager, and good friend, Dan Smith.

"Rock 'n Roll and politics: It's almost a natural fit, ironically," said

Smith.

They decided to hold a rock the vote because of the Senate Bill 306.

"The politics of today don't relate to (youth)," said Melton. "They feel their vote doesn't count and no one's going to listen to them."

The Commissioner has added entertainment in the form of the band "Gordon Bennett" and DJ Bone. Also, transportation to and

Senate Bill 306

Effective April 1, 2000, students living at residences other than the address listed on a driver's license (such as a campus dormitory) will have to vote in the city on their license.

from the residence halls will be provided.

Melton plans to make an announcement about his political aspirations. He has many plans for the future.

"I want to open up the system," said Melton.

Both Smith and Melton agree that voter registration is low.

"Young people are disengaged

from politics," said Smith.

Both of them graduated from Oakland with degrees in Political Science. Both are young and in touch with the college age group.

Before the event, the weekly public access show The Tim Melton Project will be taped. The show deals with political issues of concern in an entertaining atmosphere.

Come out for the event if you aren't a registered voter. If you are, come see the band, groove up in the loft to DJ Bone, pick up a bumper sticker and have a good time Rockin' the Vote.

Performance set to draw voting audience

By Sara McDowell
OF THE OAKLAND POST



Photo courtesy of Gordon Bennett

(TOP) LOCALS: Jeff Zawacki, Matt Webber, John Schreffler, Tommy Peacock, Tim Webber of the Gordon Bennett band. (BOTTOM) CLAIM TO FAME: The band gained recognition on OU's campus by playing local venues.

Tired of watching 90210 on Wednesday nights? Looking for something more exciting to do than Organic Chemistry homework, or sitting in the dorms? If yes, then I have the solution for you. Next Wednesday, October 13, the rock and roll band Gordon Bennett will be performing at Bo's Brewery in Pontiac.

Those at the concert will have the opportunity to register to vote while listening to the smooth vocals and tight jams of the five-man band known to many young adults in the area.

"Gordon Bennett is the most entertaining local band I have ever seen," said Jason Okray, senior, Human Resource Development.

The band played at this years Sigma Pi pig roast, and on Friday, October 1 as part of the OU Weekend of Champions.

Gordon Bennett consists of Tommy Peacock on guitar and vocals, John Schreffler on lead guitar and vocals, Matt Webber on bass and vocals, Tim Webber on drums and lead vocals, and Jeff Zawacki on organs, pianos, synthesizer, and vocals.

"The idea of encouraging young people to

vote only heightens the intensity of our future nation," said drummer Tim Webber.

Guitarist Tommy Peacock thinks that getting involved in government is one way that people can't complain about what is going on in politics.

Shows put on by the band include non-stop entertainment, original songs, 70's cover songs such as "Shake Your Booty" and "Get Down on It," and percussion and vocal jams. Crowds enjoy their shows because they keep people entertained and wanting more.

"They're impressive and their facial expressions add to the show," said Laura Chaltry, sophomore, Communications.

Lately the band has been in the studio recording their latest CD, which should be available at the end of this month.

The concert at Bo's Brewery located at the corner of Huron and North Saginaw in downtown Pontiac, will be open to those 18 and older. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. and there will be a cover charge of \$5.

To find out when and where Gordon Bennett is playing throughout the week, call their information line at (248) 650-0428.

Visit their web site at www.gordonbennetband.com

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"Body & Soul"

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"Disappearance at Sea"

Tacita Dean is a British artist holding a solo show at Cranbrook during October. The exhibit includes 16 mm films, drawings, audio work and characteristics of film. Museum hours: Tue-Sun 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Thur. 11 a.m.-8 p.m.

"Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey"

"The Greatest Show on Earth" is coming to Joe Louis Arena in Detroit this weekend only.

Show times vary.

Come out and see *The World's Tallest Man* who is eight feet tall, 16 feet long serpents, *The Master of the Mind*, death defying stuntmen, and all those animal tricks.

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat"

Lyrics by Tim Rice
Score by Andrew Lloyd Webber

Starring Patrick Cassidy and Deborah Gibson, the show stops by the Masonic Temple Theatre in Detroit Oct. 5-10. The eight performances also star the second generation of Osmonds. The story of Israel's son Joseph will take you on a "magical rainbow ride."

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extreme weather including intense heat or cold.

To obtain the ring's full effect, it must be discharged within one foot of the attacker's face. Wind, rain and inclement weather will cause results to vary. Surprise is the big plus for this ring over other self-defense methods. There is no fumbling with key chains, purses or leather cases. The ring is point and shoot, easy and simple.

Pepper spray canisters must be replaced once a year if not used. All sizing and maintenance must be done through the company. The ring comes with no warranty or guarantee of successful use. All results are the responsibility of the wearer.

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and hypnotic piano parts. There are even trumpets on the insane marching of "The Pilgrimage." Add to all this, the painful screams of both Reznor and the disturbed guitars.

Not for the faint of heart, or the top 40 radio listener, *The Fragile* is pulverizing beautiful, hypnotically shocking and warmly cold, sometimes all in the same song. Similar in concept to The Wall and albums like The Who's *Quadrophenia*, but musically more like King Crimson's *Red* and My Bloody Valentine's *Loveless*. Still an album, and a band that sits all by itself amongst a long life of imitators.

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shows with the exception of Jimmy who plays Celtic music. Even alumni like Justin Lee and Lee McPherson have come back to go on the air again.

Chris McCullen stressed the importance of variety, "You might turn the radio on one time and love what is on. Later that day, you could turn the station on again and hate it. Regardless of the what WXOU plays, we do serve a really important purpose for the output of ideas from people that are on the air."

As for a question that seems to always be lingering, will it ever get a bigger, clearer frequency? The answer is almost definitely no.

Faculty Advisor Tom Discenna said, "All educational stations are 92 and below on the dial. These frequencies are extremely busy. If we increased our power we would interfere with other stations, which is against FCC regulations. In order for us to get a better signal someone would have to lose their license, which is highly unlikely."

Even though the signal may be limited, OU students can still take advantage of the radio station, which offers unique alternatives in listening.

So check out WXOU online at www.oakland.edu/wxou, or change the dial to 88FM, you just might like what you hear.

The Center for Student Activities

"What's Happening" This Week!

If you want to find out "what's happening" on OU's campus, this is the weekly column to read. This column is brought to you by The Center for Student Activities (CSA) Office. We are located in Room 49 in the lower level of the Oakland Center. Our phone number is 2400, on campus, or (248) 370-2400, off campus.

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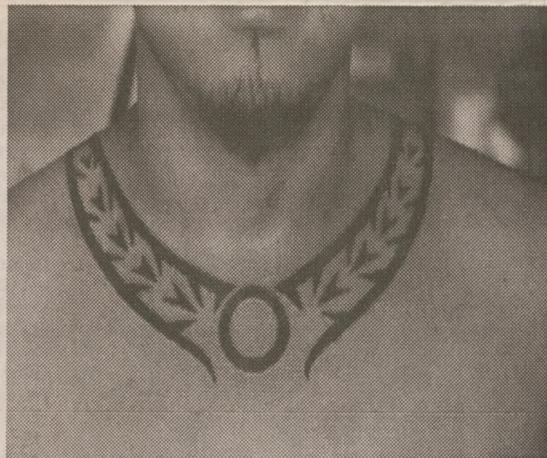
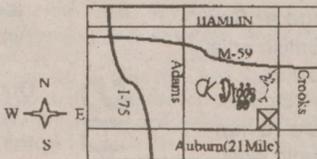


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OU Annual Blood Drive

Oakland University will be sponsoring its annual Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday-Wednesday, October 18-20. The Blood Drive will take place from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., in the Gold Rooms, OC.

The Red Cross is in a critical need of blood. Each donation of one pint per person can help save the life of up to three people. The average adult's body contains about 10-12 pints of blood and the body continuously makes new blood. Giving blood is safe. This year, to show that giving blood is not scary, The Red Cross will provide a free pass to the "Trilogy of Terror" Haunted House, located in Bloomer Park in Rochester Hills to those people who make an appointment and give blood. To make an appointment, please call the CSA Office at (248) 370-2400.

CSA SERVICE WINDOW

located directly next to the CSA Office

Oakland University events you can sign up for are:

- Make an appointment for the OU Blood Drive on October 18, 19 & 20 in the Gold Rooms, OC.
- The "Meadow Brook Ball" at Meadow Brook Hall on October 30th
- SATE Professional Conference on November 13

SPB events you can buy tickets for are:

- Trip to Minneapolis/St. Paul on November 4-7.
- Sign up for the Annual "Murder Mystery" at Meadow Brook Hall on November 13.
- Tickets to "Footloose" on November 14 at the Fisher Theatre
- Sign up for the Annual SPB Ski Trip, January 21-23 at Shanty Creek

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

OCT. 1	
Oakland	2
Western Illinois	1
OCT. 3	
Wisconsin-Milwaukee	2
Oakland	1

MEN'S SOCCER

OCT. 1	
Oakland	1
Butler	0
OCT. 3	
Oakland	4
Western Illinois	0

VOLLEYBALL

OCT. 2	
Youngstown State	3
Oakland	0

CROSS COUNTRY

OCT. 2	
Women	16th
Men	16th

TENNIS

OCT. 2	
Oakland	8
Bradley	1
Oakland	6
Eastern Illinois	3

UPCOMING GAMES

MEN'S SOCCER

Oct 6 - at Michigan State, 3:30 p.m.
Oct 9 - ORAL ROBERTS, 2:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Oct 8 - WISCONSIN-Green Bay, 4 p.m.
Oct 10 - ORAL ROBERTS, 1 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Oct 8 - VALPRAISO, 7p.m.
Oct 9 - IUPUI, 5 p.m.

CROSS COUNTRY

Oct 8 - Michigan Intercollegiate, time TBA

TENNIS

Oct 9 & 10 - at Detroit Mercy Invitational (Farewell Field), time TBA

WOMEN'S GOLF

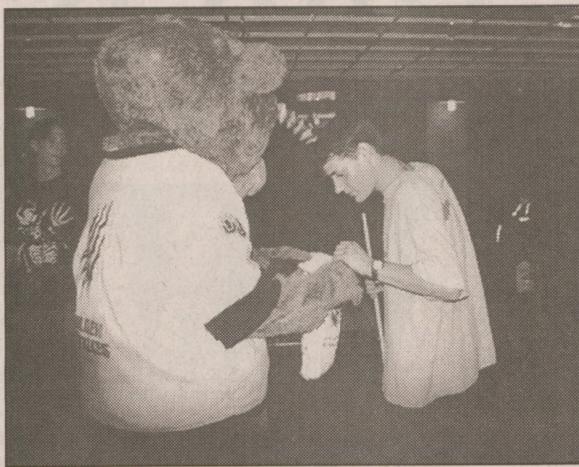
Oct 10 & 11 - Eastern Illinois Fall Golf Classic, time TBA.

MEN'S GOLF

Oct 11 & 12 - at Robert Morris Kangaroo Colonial Classic, time TBA

MEN'S HOCKEY

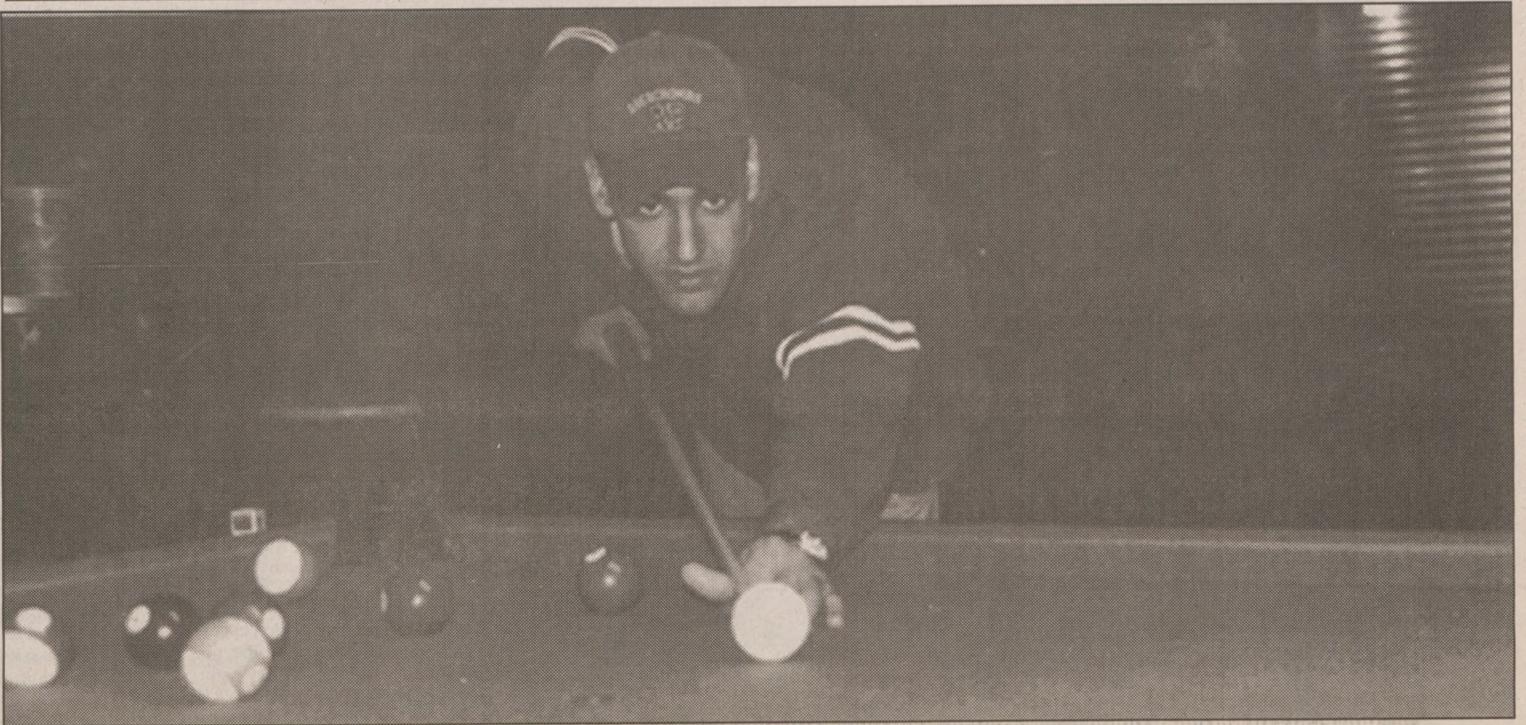
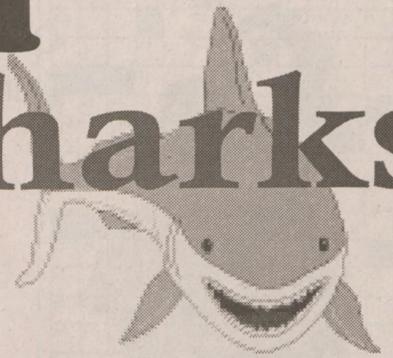
Oct 9 - BOWLING GREEN, 7:30 p.m.



MASCOT FEVER: OU's Grizzly mascot takes a minute to get friendly with students playing pool at Bumpers.

Cara Plowman/The Oakland Post

Pool Sharks



Reena Sibayan/The Oakland Post

LINING IT UP: Mechanical Engineering major Aaron Nicodemi takes a shot on one of the tables in Bumpers. The game room has been open for a month and is a welcome get-a-way for students.

Pool halls

Main Street Billiards	Rochester	248-652-8441
The Minery	Rochester	248-652-0114
Players Billiards	Farmington Hills	248-471-5095
Silverball Arcade	Auburn Hills	248-334-4377
Boathouse Billiards	Lake Orion	248-693-4100
Snookers Pool & Pub	Royal Oak	248-435-0030
	Utica	810-726-0510
Stix	Waterford	248-674-4133
Shark Club	Waterford	248-666-4161

By Kelli Petrove
OF THE OAKLAND POST

If there is nothing to do on a Friday night then rack em' up. Forget that old pool table in the basement and head out to a local billiard room for more than just a game of pool.

Most billiard rooms offer electronic dart boards, video games, drinks and an atmosphere that can't be found in the musty basement.

Main Street Billiards in downtown Rochester showcases 14 Brunswick tables for \$9 an hour. Main Street also has the "Alley" which offers live music and dancing, five big screen TVs and Sunday NFL ticket.

"We have a very diversified crowd," manager Mark Smith said. "But we definitely see a lot of students."

Monday night football specials on drinks every week draw in a crowd of NFL fans, and free pool from 10

p.m. - 2 a.m. on Thursdays and Sundays offers an inexpensive good time.

Bumpers, in the basement of the Oakland Center, has five pool tables and one ping pong table.

Bumpers opened at the beginning of this semester and offers students activities between classes.

"We are busy around lunch and during major breaks between classes," senior computer science major Mark Hadley said. Hadley works at Bumpers.

Many OU students have found their way downstairs to check out the new game room.

"It's a stress reliever, a nice change from classes," senior physical therapy major Eric Vanhulle said. "This is my first time down here, we usually play at Main Street or Fifth Avenue."

With the new option of staying on campus to play

pool, students have more chances to catch a quick game or two without driving to the pool halls.

However, Bumpers doesn't offer a bar, which keeps many pool sharks at the local billiard halls.

"We have Monday night football drink specials every week," Smith said. "We are open until 2 a.m. which is later than a lot of the other places."

With the growing amount of pool halls in the area students have more options of where to go.

Mr. B's Bar and Grill also offers pool tables and dart boards with a full service restaurant and bar available.

From Bumpers to Main Street students are seeing that there is more to game rooms than the games. There is the atmosphere and the change in pace from the hours of classes encountered everyday.

Doing a "man's job" in the world of sports

When people ask me what I do at the paper, they laugh when I tell them that I'm a woman sports editor. Okay, so I didn't plan to write sports, it just happened. The fact that I am a woman doesn't make me a bad choice for Sports Editor.

I know sports. I enjoy sports. I am an athlete myself, well I was. I am not a jock by any means, or a fanatic about sports, but I enjoy them and I know about them.

In high school I ran cross country and track. I was an athlete, and I understand the sacrifice that athletes make for their sport.

Understanding the players is a big part of writing about them. If they don't return phone calls, I understand because they have practices day and night, and occasionally

enjoy a minute of free time to watch TV.

The coaches also make sacrifices for the love of sport. I know that my track coach in high school did. He spent hours on end with us at practice and at weekend meets, much so that his wife spent a lot of time in Florida with her parents.

But, to him, we were his children. We were his joy in life. His wife understood and treated us like loved step-children.

The coaches at OU experience a higher level of dedication, because college athletics is a world of differ-



KELLI PETROVE

ence from high school. Dedication is stretched to the max, and free-time for athletes and coaches is almost unheard of.

I understand coaches and players and the deep love they have for their sports. That is why I am sports editor.

I understand rules of the games they play. That is why I am sports editor.

All right, I won't lie, I get to meet men. That is also why I am sports editor. It's just an added perk.

Floor seats for the MSU game last season was another added perk of the job.

I take the perks and deal with the fact that no one believes that I write sports. My parents even question why I do it.

President Russi looked shocked

when he met me and realized I was the sports editor.

What's the big deal? I'm not a tomboy, anymore. I am a person who loves the relationship that coaches and athletes have. It's an extended family, but on a whole new level.

So the next time someone asks me why they let a woman do a man's job, I will laugh and take no offense. They just don't understand that I get the job done, and occasionally I get to enjoy the perks of the job.

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Spotlight on the

Black & Gold

CARMEN
TRIPPETT

Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post

By Annie Lefkowitz
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

She's more versatile than any S.U.V. She lasts longer than an Expedition on a full tank of gas.

This "Car" puts it in four wheel drive on the volleyball court

Carmen (Car) Trippett, the 5'11", recently turned 19 year old, struts her stuff on the volleyball court any chance she gets.

Trippett graduated from Albion High School in 1998 with four varsity letters and MVP of her school volleyball team all four years. She also earned first team all conference and all Area honors as a senior. In addition she was a member of National Honors Society and was salutatorian of her graduating class.

Last year, her freshman one at OU, her hitting percentage was .189 and she played in 76 games. This year she plays a new position - front row, middle blocker. She's ready for the challenge, and her coach,

Ed Tolentino, agrees that "although she's still in transition, Carmen has really accepted this responsibility."

While Carmen feels her biggest asset to the team is her skill, her coach notes her enthusiasm. "Emotion is our seventh player...just the look on her face spreads motivation."

From Towers to Youngstown, Pittsburgh to Chicago, this Car does a huge amount of traveling. That's why Carmen takes a few less credits during the season. Between carbo-loading, sleeping, classes and practice, there isn't time for a whole lot more.

Carmen's mentor on and off the court was her first Club volleyball coach Shannon, who is currently coaching at the University of Pittsburgh. Carmen notes "she taught me the game...how to do things right. She's also a great person...I look up to her."

Words of wisdom for Trippett's opponents: Buckle up, this Car's taking you for a ride.

Men shut down tough competition

Men's soccer kicks Butler and Western Illinois aside shutting them out

By Cindy Blaylock
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

OU's Men's Soccer team threw a powerful punch during the Oct. 1 home game beating Butler University by a score of 1-0 advancing both team and personal goals.

The grizzlies pulled together and held the Eagles at bay with a great deal of defense throughout the game on Friday. Goalkeeper, Mike Skolnik blocked three Eagle goals, increasing his own record to seven shutouts this season and is ranked 14th in the nation in goals against. "Mike's done a great job," said Men's Head Soccer coach Gary Parsons. "He's our last line of defense."

Jeppe Lagerbohm, who is now in the lead this season with six goals, scored the winning shot in the second half of the game with assistance from teammate, Viggo Anthonson. "He's a play-

maker," said Parsons of Anthonson. Parsons attributes the Grizzlies' success to a great team effort, who work well together. "We've got a good group," he said.

OU continued its success on Oct. 3 against Western Illinois bringing the Grizzlies' record to 8-1-1.

The NSCAA/adidas released their numbers on Monday. OU's Men's Soccer team currently ranks 21 in the nation and second in the Great Lakes Region.

The men will travel to MSU on Oct. 6.

"That'll be a big game for us," Parsons said. "We want to win that one."

The Grizzlies, who played four games in the last ten days, have a few injured players so the team is resting for now prepare for Wednesday's game. They'll be back home on Oct. 9 to play their rival Oral Roberts in conference. Oral Roberts is the only team in the conference to beat the men last season.

OU	1
Butler	0

OU	4
W. Illinois	0

In Women's Soccer

Ashley McGhee was named Mid-Continent Conference Player of the week on Oct. 5. McGhee, originally from Burlington, Ontario, is a sophomore forward for the Grizzlies. McGhee has scored seven goals and has four assists in this season.

The Women's Soccer team hosts Wisconsin-Greenbay Oct. 8 at 4 p.m.

Ferris ices Black Bears

By Ramez Khuri
OF THE OAKLAND POST

OU's Men's Club Ice Hockey team, the Black Bears, played its season opener against Ferris State University at the new Onyx Rochester Ice Arena on Friday night.

It was a home game for the Black Bears, but judging from the less than average sized crowd, that was hard to tell, as the only OU cheers were provided by members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

The game, which did not go well for OU in the first and second period, took a turn for the worse when Ferris State was awarded a rare penalty shot at the 3:47 mark of the second period.

OU's head coach, Anthony Jalaba said, "Very rarely is a penalty shot called, but in terms of whether that shot should have been called, I'd really rather not comment on that."

Ferris State did not convert a goal on the shot, but it didn't really matter as it went to the second intermission with a 5-0 lead.

"We didn't really say much at all between the second and third period," said Jalaba. "We typically do speak to them (the players) after every period, but this time we didn't because the players were saying it themselves. By the time we got back to the locker room it was clear to them as it was clear to us what they needed to improve on, and what they needed to do."

Down, but not out, OU entered the third period with fire in its eyes, as the Black Bears outplayed and out hustled Ferris State in every aspect of the game, and ultimately outscored its opponent 2-1.

Jalaba said, "The team doesn't give up. We don't quit. We battled back, and we outplayed Ferris in the third period. We lost the game, 6-2, but our guys maintained their composure and their intensity. Ferris is one of the top teams we are going to play, so for us to have a 6-2 game against them in only the first regular season game, as a coach, that's acceptable to me."

Robert Popescu, who scored OU's first goal described the play, "It was a face off down deep in the zone. I won it back to my defenseman (Warren Calcaterra), who shot it down, and it was sitting right by the post, and I just tipped it in the net." Calcaterra received an assist on the play.

The other OU goal scorer, Steve Jalaba, was assisted by Adam Mager.

For the next game, the coach said that his team needs to be more aggressive with its forechecking, cut out mental lapses, improve on the power play and on the whole, play smarter.

The next home game is Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. OU president, Gary Russi is scheduled to receive his own Black Bears jersey in a pre-game ceremony at center ice. All home games will be played at the Onyx Rochester Ice Arena, and admission is free.

Record Breaker

GEORGI
KINSELA
Women's Swimming

During her first swim as a Grizzly at the Black & Gold Intrasquad, sophomore Georgi Kinsela's time of 2:19.95 broke the school record in the 200 Breaststroke.

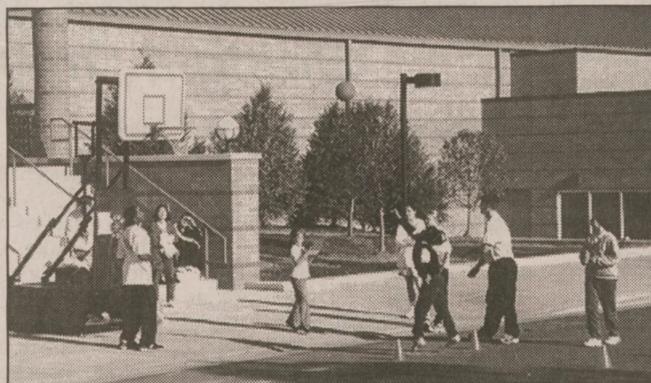
"It is rare to break a school record at the Intrasquad," Head Women's Swim coach Scott Teeters said. "We expect them to swim a little slow." Kinsela was recruited by OU from Sidney, Australia.

Teeters said about recruiting Kinsela, "We beat out a ton of big name schools for her."

The women swim next at the Michigan Relays on Oct. 16.

They do not swim at home until Nov. 5 when they meet up with Wright State.

Taking a break at WOCO



Photos by Krystal Kaltz/The Oakland Post

GETTING PHYSICAL: OU students take advantage of sporting events offered at the Weekend of Champions at OU. (left) Full contact jousting lets students get a feel for the sport. (above) Basketball Jams were offered for both children and adults over the weekend.

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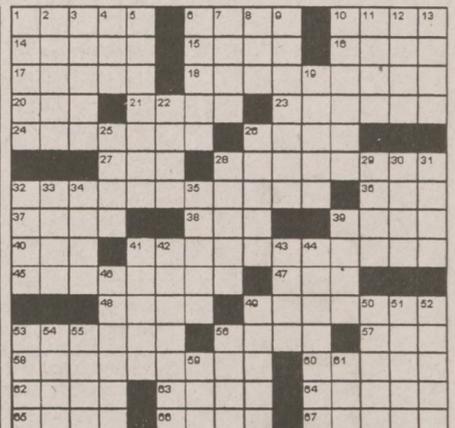
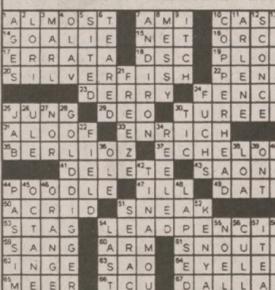
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Edited by Timothy E. Parker

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Bizarro by Dan Piraro



Bizarro by Dan Piraro



Damon's Signs of the Times

October 6 - October 12

- ARIES** (March 21-April 20) — Money problems and your circle of acquaintances is inter-related - be honest with yourself and check it out. Traveling will probably go well now, perhaps even becoming romantic.
- TAURUS** (April 21-May 20) — Others can help you gain objectivity and balance in your life, if you listen to them. Good advice may come in the most unappealing packaging. Generally, however, this is a good time to become more social.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 21) — Watch your tongue and your spending this week - they can get you into hot water and debt, respectively. Your sex life may get a boost, but make sure it doesn't become the number one priority.
- CANCER** (June 22-July 22) — Enjoy your time in the sun this week, though your notoriety might not be for something entirely good. Spending time with kids helps you see yourself more objectively.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) — You have been able to get away with murder lately. Whether you took the opportunity or not, prepare to take responsibility for your future actions. A relationship becomes clearer in the most unusual circumstances.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 23) — Try not to overextend yourself or let your ego get in the way of objectivity. A new love interest may be coming into your life - keep your eyes peeled.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 24-Oct. 22) — Use nervous energy and unusual circumstances to your advantage - a nasty situation can also become an opportunity. Close family and friends can be a reliable support for you now.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 22) — You can make things happen with your mouth - for good or ill. Everything comes back to you, so watch what you say. Go for romance and you'll probably will get it.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Right now you may be highly self-critical or, alternately, self-grandizing. Fight to stay objective about your goals and you'll be capable of reaching many of them this week.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) — Finances are all mixed up with your love or family life now - you probably can't separate them now, but identify the problem. Change will come, but you have to be ready for it.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) — Shady happenings regarding work or your public reputation require your attention - "cover your behind." Listen to your gut, but make you're your feelings aren't based on fear.
- PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) — Take the opportunity to travel, particularly this month - chances are it will be beneficial. Your love life may get that added boost this week.

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WEB girl

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LEAD STORIES

• Israel rolled back its clocks one hour in September to support Orthodox Jewish prayer schedules, but the Palestinian West Bank remained on summer time, and Israeli security sources told reporters that the time change resulted in the deaths of three Palestinian terrorist bombers. At 5 p.m. on Sept. 5, as terrorists were en route to targets in Haifa and Tiberius, their bombs exploded in their cars, killing three of the men. The security sources said bomb-makers in the West Bank had set the timers for 6 p.m. but that the bomb-carriers incorrectly assumed that the hour's difference had been factored in.

• In September, just after fighting broke out in East Timor, Indonesia's strongman defense minister, General Wiranto, dropped by a large party in Jakarta hosting retired military people, gave a moving speech defending the government's stand against East Timorese independence, and, to dramatize his patriotic emotions, sang the song "Feelings." According to an Associated Press reporter in attendance, Wiranto nailed the high notes.

GREAT ART

• Artistic human skin-branding has picked up devotees recently, according to reports in Time magazine and the Tampa Tribune, but only, said one technician, for people "intensely into their spirituality who are wishing to release some power." Branding guru Fakir Musafar teaches two techniques at his San Francisco school: the strike method (a design plate is heated and applied to the skin), and sketching by a 2,200-degree cauterized scalpel. Branding produces a third-degree burn, takes at least three weeks to heal, and, in addition to the pain, increases the risk of the most aggressive form of skin cancer.

• In June German film director Christoph Schlingensiefel disclosed his plan to pay tribute to capitalism by tossing 100,000 marks (about \$53,000) off the Reichstag parliament building in Berlin as part of a cultural show sponsored by Deutsche Bank. (Two days later, when Deutsche Bank got wind of the plan, it canceled the contract.)

Wrong Place, Wrong Time

• A man was arrested at the airport in Seville, Spain, in August after snatching a tourist's bag and attempting to flee; standing nearby were members of a U.S. track and field delegation, including Maurice Green (current world record-holder in the 100-meter run), who ran down the perp without much effort. And a month earlier in Huddersfield, West Yorks, England, two men tried to steal a car from a driveway, but the car owner's father, Derek Ibbotson, who is 67 but a former world record-holder in the mile run, caught one of the men and grabbed the keys.

A RESURGENCE OF INTEREST IN FARMING

• In August, Richard James McClean, 21, and David Delasantos, 22, were arrested in Petaluma, Calif., and charged with breaking into a home at gunpoint and uprooting and stealing about a dozen marijuana plants. And two weeks earlier, in Kelowna, British Columbia, a gang of thieves broke into a police compound and stole about 250 freshly seized marijuana plants.

Update

• A year ago, News of the Weird reported that a jury in Westminster, Calif., had convicted Cal State-Long Beach engineering professor Elena Zagustin, 61, of massive health violations at her exceptionally odoriferous and messy home, which included many buckets substituting for broken toilets. By September 1999, Zagustin had sold the house (at a discount for its condition, but still, because of the California real estate market, \$301,500), and when the buyers pried the door open, according to the Los Angeles Times, they found trash two feet high in every room, rotting vegetables, maggots, beds topped with garbage, flies everywhere, and still-broken toilets.

LEAST COMPETENT CRIMINAL

• People Who Should Have Kept a Lower Profile: In July in Gifford, Fla., Brizella Mortimer, 29, was charged with burglary after a neighbor, who had been missing several items from her home, looked out her window and saw her favorite motorcycle-themed towel hanging from Mortimer's clothesline; a search of Mortimer's home turned up more of the woman's stuff. And in July, a thief in Salta, northern Argentina, gave himself away by showing up at a Catholic mass wearing the clothes he had recently stolen from the Franciscan priest officiating at the mass.

ALSO, IN THE LAST MONTH...

• A 38-year-old transsexual woman climbed a downtown electrical tower during rush hour, danced topless, and spit fire in a protest of female-shirtlessness laws (Seattle). A biologist told an academic conference that it was an accident of nature that there are only two human genders, probably due to a bacterial infection 2 billion years ago (Sheffield, England). To beat the statute of limitations, police filed an arrest warrant for an unknown rapist, ID'd only by five DNA markings (Milwaukee). A bank robber was caught as he raced his getaway truck back into the car lot where he had taken it from, supposedly for a test drive (Round Rock, Texas). A graduate sued his high school for suspending him last year after he photographed his principal's car at the home of a teacher who was suspected of having an affair with the principal (Midland, Texas).

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