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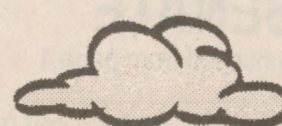
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Mostly Cloudy  
High 55°  
Low 42°



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The Oakland Post will not be publishing through Spring Break. Our next issue will be March 8.  
Have fun!!!!

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## FAST facts

### •Honors College Seminars

The Honors College will be hosting the next seminar in its Life Seminars Winter 2000 series from 12-1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 8th in room 112, Vandenberg Hall. This seminar is "Consciousness, Knowing and Science according to Ken Wilber," presented by Professor Meir Shillor of the Mathematical Sciences and Statistics Department. Anyone with questions can call the Honors College at (248) 370-4450.

### •Harvard Professor to Speak

Dr. Cornell West, professor of Afro-American Studies and Philosophy of Religion at Harvard University, will be speaking on "Race Matters" at 4 p.m. on Thursday, March 9 in the Varner Recital Hall. Tickets are free, and can be picked up at the Center for Student Activities Service Window in the OC. For further information call CSA at (248) 370-2400.

### •Winter Break Hours

New hours for Aramark: Feb. 26-27 - closed.  
Feb. 28- March 3 - DC Subs, Burger King & Pizza Hut 10:30 am - 1:30. All others - closed.  
May 4-5 - closed.  
March 6 - normal hours resume.

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# Graduation moved

By Lisa Remsing  
OF THE OAKLAND POST

OU President Gary Russi evidently listened to the voice of the students. At 1:30 p.m. today in the Fireside Lounge, he will announce the move of commencement ceremonies to Baldwin Pavilion from the O'Rena.

"He was persuaded by the efforts that the students went through," said Vice President for Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder.

"Be there on Wednesday, and it will be good," said Bonafacio

DeLaRosa, Student Liaison to the Board of Trustees.

DeLaRosa and Nick Mitchell, Student Body President, met with Russi again last week to discuss the commencement location. "He is making his decision in response to the overwhelming student interest," said Mitchell on Monday.

Spring graduation was held in the O'Rena for the first time last May. The shift was supposed to be on a trial basis with subsequent input. But the decision was made to move the ceremony permanently without student input.

If graduation was held in the O'Rena, many feared family and friends would be excluded since the facility holds only 3,500 as opposed to 7,100 in Baldwin Pavilion. "That won't even be an issue," said Ted Montgomery, director of media relations.

Another issue was timing, and that commencement would have to be held in June at Baldwin Pavilion. According to the Palace of Auburn Hills Reservations Office, nothing is scheduled in the pavilion until mid May, when colleges and high schools have their gradu-

ation.

A key issue was availability. The festival grounds, which are leased to the Palace of Auburn Hills, had nothing scheduled, so OU's commencement can be held there in May.

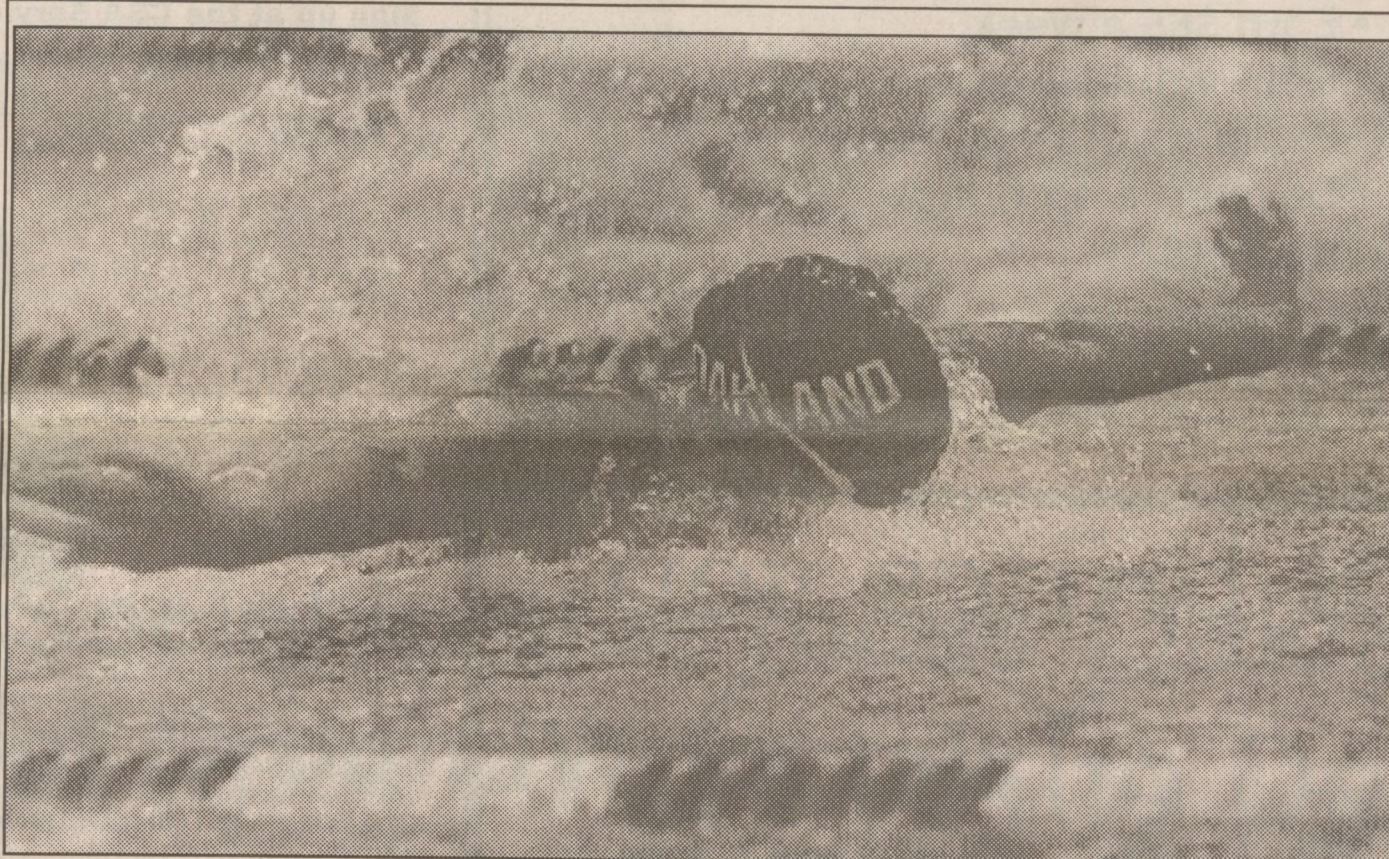
Though Michigan's May weather is unpredictable, students were happy with the decision. "I feel good that the students are being taken care of this year," said Carrie Goclan, senior, human resource development.

Two students have been heading this battle, and trying to get others

involved in the efforts for the past month. According to Goclan, who has been leading student efforts with Rick Durso, senior, education, 2,500 signatures were collected on petitions to keep graduation at Baldwin Pavilion.

Goclan said that 200 signature were from faculty, staff and administrators.

Russi was handed 72 petitions, 44 of them completely full of signatures, at his Friday meeting with Mitchell and DeLaRosa. "As far as I know, this is the largest collection of petition signatures," said Goclan.



The Oakland Post/Dan McDuffee

**FLY GIRL:** Betsy Hansen placed third in the 200y fly at the 1998 NIC Championships. The swim teams are looking forward to this years NIC Championship meet. For further swim coverage see page 10.

## Missing ballots trigger revote on Senate amendments

By Jenn Madjarev  
OF THE OAKLAND POST

OU faculty must wait until the end of March for a final vote on the proposed amendments to the University Senate Constitution.

A number of Physics faculty members complained that they never received a ballot to vote on the proposed amendments. The ballot was distributed through the campus mail Friday, Feb. 11.

Provost Louis Esposito said that a new batch of ballots are being sent out today to all faculty members. The deadline for the new voting ballots is March 20.

Faculty members who have already voted need to do so again, said Esposito.

Student Congress President Nick Mitchell, who is currently the solo student voice on the Senate, said, "I'm concerned about every faculty not receiving a ballot. I urge students to talk to

their professors and persuade and encourage them to vote 'no' for a purely faculty Senate."

The amendments were proposed by faculty members in an effort to rid the communication barriers between faculty members and the OU administration.

The push to change the Senate to a faculty only body has been periodically raised, but gained attention when faculty input was bypassed on the devel-

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## PAUSE grant renewed for \$26K

Program targets incoming freshmen

By SunShine Joy Collins  
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

OU received a \$26,000 grant to continue its highly regarded PAUSE Program to curb alcohol abuse among entering freshman students.

"We had wonderful success with the program held last year and it's a great way

to help freshman make the transition from high school to college by providing activities that do not include alcohol and other drugs," said Mary Beth Snyder, vice president for Student Affairs.

OU is one of the 13 universities in Michigan to have been awarded a grant to

fund a comprehensive social mentoring program for freshman students. The Michigan Department of Community Health awarded \$367,000 in total funding to the 13 different universities. Central Michigan University, Ferris State, Michigan State, and Saginaw Valley are three of the other

universities granted the funds to cut down student drinking.

"Last year, the first year of the statewide campus mentoring program, more than 3,000 freshman students statewide participated in the program and over 500

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## schedule info

SPRING/SUMMER 2000 SCHEDULE OF CLASSES WILL BE MAILED TO STUDENTS THE WEEK OF MARCH 10 AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP IN 100 O'DOWD ON MARCH 29.

THE FALL 2000 SCHEDULE OF CLASSES WILL BE MAILED THE WEEK OF MAY 1 AND AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP ON MAY 1.

UP TO DATE CLASS SCHEDULES CAN ALSO BE ACCESSED ON THE WEB at: www.oakland.edu. FOLLOW THE SAIL REGISTRATION LINKS.

## CTs to vote March 10 to certify MEA

By Cara Plowman  
OF THE OAKLAND POST

The 260 secretaries, office assistants and technicians will hold a certification election tentatively set for March 10 to vote to change union representation to the Michigan Education Association (MEA).

If the MEA is approved, its representatives will take over contract bargaining from the UAW Local 1925.

The CTs have been working without a contract since June 30. But the process of switching to MEA was slowed because of an unfair labor practice (ULP) charge against OU filed by the Local 1925.

"The process usually takes six to eight weeks," MEA Union Organizer David Crim said. "In this

case, the election is being delayed pending an unfair labor practice charge that the UAW filed against the university for failure to bargain fairly."

One reason that factored into the choice to leave UAW is the strike back out that occurred at midnight on November 17 of last year. CTs had planned to strike because of unfair contract negotiations. They were set to strike but the call never came and union hierarchy never issued an explanation. At least one member stayed up all night waiting for the phone call approving the strike. CTs were angered when the UAW let the strike deadline pass. That hurt morale and pressed the members to

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drop the UAW.

In November, Local 1925 filed the ULP charge against the university for not negotiating the CTs contract in good faith. After the CT contracts had expired last year, a renewed offer was made from OU, but was decided to be unfair by the CT's and the Local 1925. The "last best" offer from OU proposed a 2.25 percent pay raise for each year of the three-year contract.

CTs are looking forward to the union change and the prospects of beginning negotiations once again.

"We haven't had any movement," said Dess Welker, Center for Student Activities. "We're willing to give it a try. Hopefully, we'll get a contract because, we haven't had one since [June 30]."

Crim did confirm that the CTs are planning to switch to MEA and said, "They feel an education union would better represent [them]. MEA only represents education employees." He also said that in January, an overwhelming number of approval cards were signed by the CTs in favor of switching unions.

Now, the ULP charge may postpone the union change. Crim said that the Local 1925 does have the right to push the election back until the charge is decided. In a conference call on January 27, OU and the two unions agreed on the tentative election date in March.

At the time of this publication, UAW Local 1925 president Susan Russell declined to comment on the state of the negotiations.

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## SENATE

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opment of a second golf course.

Under the proposed changes, membership on the Senate shall be limited to 50 faculty, elected by and from members of each academic unit. Any new academic departments created in the future added in the future will increase the size of the faculty body.

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upperclassmen served as mentors," said former State Representative, Jim McBryde, who now serves as a Special Assistant for Drug Policy at the Department of Community Health.

All state-supported institutions in MI were eligible to apply for the grant funds.

Last fall 228 students participated in the PAUSE program at OU and 25 upper-class students served as mentors. The Alcohol and Other Drugs Council at OU, chaired by Nancy Schmitz, hopes to attract 250-300 new (freshman)

Neither Deans nor Administrative Professionals will be eligible to serve on the Senate.

The proposal is not without its critics. In a campus wide e-mail, Jerry Grossman, professor in the department of Mathematics and Statistics, wrote, "I urge you (faculty members) to vote no, for the reasons outlined...the new Faculty Senate would be a powerless body in which the faculty get together to talk among ourselves, unable to impart our wisdom to

our colleagues in other roles, and unable to listen to their points of view."

Beverly Berger, physics professor and chair did not receive a ballot to vote, but responded that when the new ballots arrive she plans on voting in favor of the amendments. "I feel that it's important to have a faculty voice. It will be clear that any statement that comes from out of the Faculty Senate will represent a faculty opinion."

students to the PAUSE program.

"The Alcohol and Other Drugs Council is a group of students and staff who are concerned for the well-being of others," said Schmitz. "We are devoted to promoting a healthy lifestyle among our student body."

The AOD Council has a mission to promote and encourage community collaboration of alcohol and other drug initiatives, to serve as an information clearing-house and to advise in university policymaking and hopes fulfill part of that mission through the PAUSE program.

The program will include paid social events, weekly activities, networking opportunities, and much more. Those students who

are interested in becoming involved or know anyone that is interested who will be attending OU, can sign up during summer orientation or by responding to a mailing that will be sent to their home in early summer.

The council is also looking for upperclassmen to serve as mentors. Mentors will contribute a portion of their time throughout four weeks to help incoming students develop their relationships and social norms at OU. Those students who would like more information can call Nancy Schmitz or Brenda Hartman at 248-370-3465, OU's Counseling Center, or stop by the Graham Health Center, located on campus.

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, 49 Oakland Center. Our phone number is 2400, on campus, or (248) 370-2400, off campus.

CSA Office hours are:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday  
8:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday

## January Recognition!

Student Organization of the Month:*Phi Sigma Sigma*Program of the Month:*Etiquette Dinner sponsored by National Association of Black Engineers*Advisor of the Month:*Helen Ellison*

got leadership?

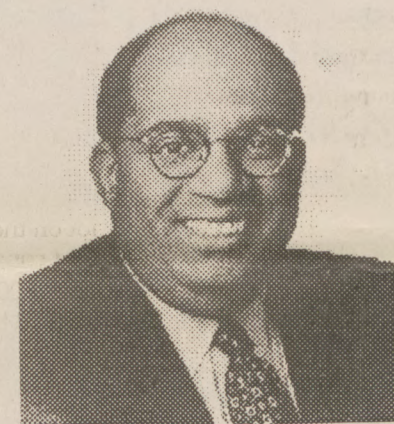
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Al Roker



The Student Life Lecture Board is pleased to announce that Al Roker, of NBC's today Show will be it's first speaker of 2000. Roker will be visiting Oakland University on March 21, the first full day of spring. His lecture will be at 3:00 p.m. in Meadow Brook Theatre. Tickets for lecture will be available at the CSA Service Window. For OU Students, tickets will be free, OU Faculty, Staff and OU Alumni Association members, \$5.00 each and guests and the general public will be \$7.00. Tickets will be available on Monday, February 14.

Every weekday morning, millions of Americans tune-in to Al Roker for the first laugh of the day as well as the weather report. With warmth and friendliness he is welcomed into America's households. According to the NY Post, Al Roker "is the best-known and best-loved weatherman in the world".

In his speeches, Mr. Roker talks candidly with his trademark humor and with, about network television, and shares personal stories from his family life. His up-lifting message will encourage you to strive for excellence and will inspire you to live your life to the best of human potential.

Weekly Games Tournaments in  
Bumpers Game Room

Bumpers Game Room will sponsor weekly tournaments Monday - Thursday evenings. Participants can begin to sign up to one week before the tournament begins and up to one hour before the tournament begins. Entry fees are only \$2.00 per person. The tournament begins at 6:30 p.m.

The tournament schedule is as follows:

Monday: Backgammon and Euchre (Backgammon on March 6, Euchre on March 13).

Tuesday: Billiards: Eight Ball

Wednesday: Billiards: Nine Ball

Thursday: Chess and Video Games (Chess on February 24 and video games on March 9).

Current Video Games Challenges:

> On Blitz: Have the most wins (from March 6 through February 16) and win 4000 points toward prizes.

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Sign up for CSA and Student Organization Events:

- > Tickets for the German Clubs Der Rosenkavalier on April 16
- > Tickets for the March 9 Cornel West Lecture
- > Tickets for the March 21 Al Roker Lecture
- > Sign up for the Annual CSA Leadership Retreat (March 18-19) starting March 6
- > Meadow Brook Pictures are in!

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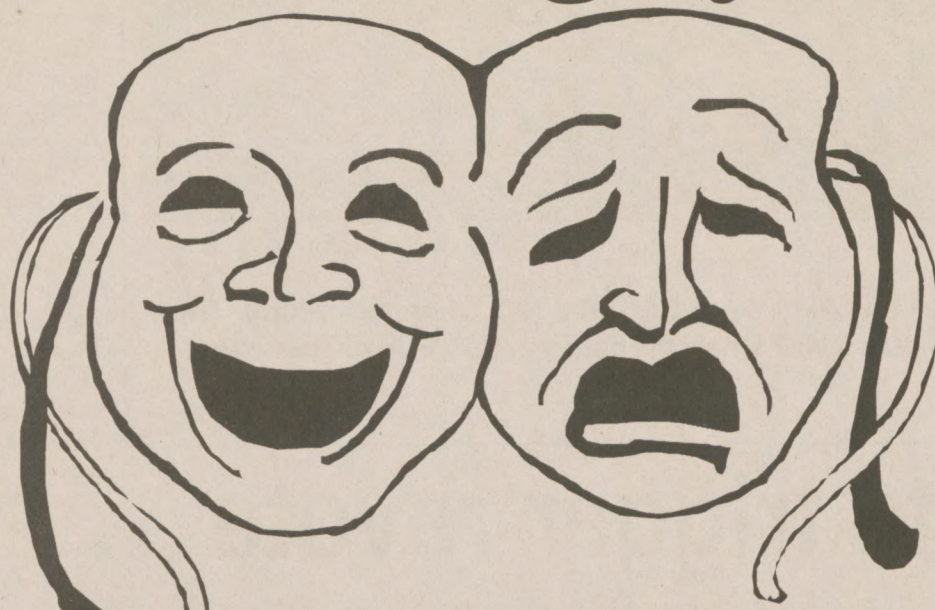
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All persons considering running for a Student Congress elected office for academic year 2000-2001 **must** get a petition to nominate through Elections Chair Carly Nelson in the Student Congress Office at 62 OC.

This includes those considering running for President, Vice President or Legislator.

Campaign information packets will be handed out along with a detailed schedule of campaigning times, eligibility requirements, filing dates and elections rules.

The petition **deadline** is 12 noon March 6th. The elections are slated for March 21, 22 & 23.

For more information contact Elections Chair Carly Nelson at 248-370-4290.



## CRIME watch

### •False Fire Alarms

On Saturday, Feb. 19th, OUPD responded to a fire alarm at Van Wagoner. After the building was evacuated, police checked the building and determined that it was a false alarm. Just as the officers were leaving Van Wagoner, a fire alarm went off at Hamlin Hall. After checking Hamlin it too was determined a false alarm.

### •Prank Calls

Last week a female resident reported that she has been receiving prank phone calls for over two weeks. She says that an unknown person has called upwards to 30 times sometimes saying nothing and other times playing loud music. The student has requested a caller id.

### •Stolen Wallet

A student employee for the Rec. Center reported that while he was working last week his wallet was stolen containing various credit and bank cards along with \$20. He states that he didn't bring his lock for his locker with him and that he put his personal belongings on the floor in the corner of the Staff locker room. Upon leaving after work he found his wallet missing. It is unknown as to what happened to his wallet.

### •Student Unconscious

Last week police responded to a call of a female student who was unconscious in Fitzgerald Hall. When police arrived, the woman was breathing without difficulty but seemed groggy and was unable to concentrate to answer questions. Paramedics responded to the call and determined that the student's blood sugar was low and she was given fruit juice to drink. The woman declined to be taken to the hospital.

## BUILDING UP OU

# Planning for growing pains

## Board task force sets priorities for future

By Brent Chismark  
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

As planning moves forward for a new School of Education and Human Services (SEHS) building its location is likely to be between O'Dowd Hall and the SBA building currently under construction.

But the ultimate decision of where to place the building will be determined as a new Master Plan is developed. One goal of the new plan is to centralize

That goal was followed in the new Business and Instructional Technology Building currently under construction north of Varner Hall.

OU officials hope the legislature approves funding for the \$32 million SEHS building which they hope to completed by the start of classes in Fall, 2002. That would mean a ground-breaking sometime early in 2001.

The Master Plan outlines the goals of the University based on its mission statement and the missions of on-campus organizations.

The Board of Trustees created a Master Planning Task Force in October to write a new and updated plan for the University by March 2001.

Since then, representatives from the task force have been reviewing guiding statements, drafting a new set of principles, and taking their "traveling dog and pony show" to various student and faculty organizations, in the words of member Mary Beth Snyder, Vice President of Student Affairs.

Their purpose is to gather input and comments from the organizations regarding the principles that will shape how they proceed.

Snyder and Susan Aldrich, Associate Vice President of Facilities Management, presented the drafted principles to the OU Student Congress at their February 14th meeting. Discussion from Congress centered mostly on parking and campus environment.

The question of a parking structure versus another surface lot on the perimeter of the main campus was raised. Aldrich told congress that the cost per space for a surface lot would be \$1500-\$2000, while for a parking structure would cost \$10,000-\$12,000.

The current master plan has been in existence since March



UNDER CONSTRUCTION: OU's Master Plan includes the new Business Building and the proposed School of Education and Human Services building. The Business Building is expected to be completed in the Fall of 2000.

of 1999.

Under the proposed plan priority is supposed to be given "to the needs of the academic mission of Oakland University..." recognizing OU's 1,500 acres as "a valuable and finite resource..."

"The campus shall be developed around a single academic core," and education buildings should be clustered in order to give pedestrian traffic preference over vehicles.

Also included in the plan is an improved campus information and directory system and a welcome center where visitors and part-time students could get information on various services after normal business hours. The center would be part of a planned \$2.4 million renovation of North Foundation Hall.

Snyder believes that Beer Lake is a pretty resource that deserves clean-up and emphasis as a focal point for the uni-

versity. The master planning principles referring to it would provide "more humanly scaled facilities and informal opportunities to gather as a community."

Plans for the East campus, which includes the Dodge Farmhouse, the Music Festival, the Health Enhancement Center and Sunset Terrace, the presidential residence, would continue to protect both Meadow Brook Hall and Sunset Terrace, both designated on the National Historic Registry of homes. The recognition and protection of the educational value of the natural campus are also part of the proposed plan. The inclusion of two natural preserves totaling 160 acres in the southern campus would be part of this effort.

The Master Planning Task force also believes that partnerships between public and private entities should be pursued to enrich student life off-campus.

# Social justice focus of GroundWork talk

By Natasha Vanover  
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

A Catholic nun from GroundWork for Justice shared her experiences in her ongoing fight for social justice Sunday at St. John Fisher.

Sr. Barbara Beesly a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary began her presentation with a true story that brought tears to her eyes recounting it. She told the audience how she had reached out to help a woman who had just lost her husband. The shock of suddenly losing her husband and the thought of raising two children alone and in poverty caused her to end her life, as well.

"It was a shock. I met a kind of harsh reality that life could look so bleak to someone I knew," said Beesly.

"This was a reality touchstone for me... It showed me that it isn't just an issue we are talking about. Life itself for women and their families is at risk."

Sister Beesly was involved in the social causes before joining GroundWork six years ago. She taught in the Oakland County area for more than 12 years, and also served as Director of "Friends Indeed," an Interfaith Humanitarian Agency in Detroit.

Her areas of focus at GroundWork include women's justice and peace and non-violence.

"The top of my to-do list is floss your teeth and do justice," she said.

Sister Beesly explained that GroundWork was interested in examining legislative and candidate platform issues such as

examine current social justice and how it relates to what has been referred to as the "best kept secret," in Catholic theology.

She told the audience that Catholic Social Thought may be new to some Catholics yet it has been written about extensively in works dating back to 1891.

Participants joined in by sharing their views on a set of writings from the Vatican that date up to 1991. Catholic Social Thought is focused on seven principles based on understanding justice for all and the common good by including the earth with the reflection from the scriptures.

In the midst of the Beesly explained that GroundWork was interested in examining legislative and candidate platform issues such as

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# Oakland Journal to Debut this Week in the OC

By John Stoll  
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Looking for something interesting to read this weekend? Try thumbing through the inaugural issue of the Oakland University Journal and you might just find something that intrigues you.

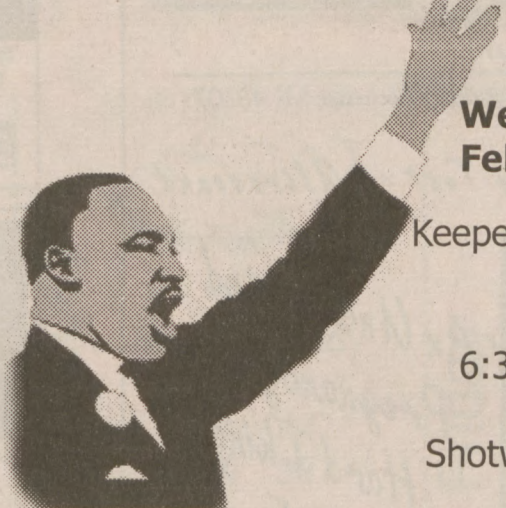
The spring 2000 edition of the Journal is the first of its kind to have been produced by the university, exclusively publishing the works of OU students, faculty, administration and alumni. What makes the publication especially unique is the variety of subjects that the 122-page book covers.

From an essay on the emergence of Emily Dickinson by English Professor Jane Eberwein, to the poetry of 1971 OU graduate Chris Brockman, the book is definitely an eclectic reader's dream. The Oakland Journal will bridge the gap between sciences, humanities, the arts and just about anything else that can be intelligently produced by the OU community.

Gottfried Brieger, the chemistry professor who has tackled the task of editing the new publication, is looking to make the book as diverse as Oakland's campus. "The journal is designed to be informative and intellectually stimulating for a wide range of people," says Brieger. "We do not intend to impose rigid rules or mechanical criteria for selecting Oakland Journal contributors. We hope that authors will take this opportunity to make their special fields understandable to most of us." After all, that's what the publication is all about; understanding the OU community at large.

Brieger hopes that by generating a wide range of interests, the book will create a unique niche on campus connected by the words of the publication. "Our goal is to help create community. Contribute to an enlightened discourse, describe, explain, persuade." This "community" will meet in the pages of the Oakland Journal twice a

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## African-American Celebration Activities

"Celebrating the African Influence in the America's"

JANUARY 17 - FEBRUARY 23

Wednesday, February 23	Thursday, March 9	Thursday, March 9	Tuesday, March 21
Keeper of the Dream Banquet	Speaker: Cornell West	Cornell West: Reception and Book Signing	Speaker: Darlene Clark Hine
6:30-9:00 p.m.	4 p.m.	5-6 p.m.	12:00-1:30 p.m.
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# PERSPECTIVES

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### LETTERS THE EDITOR

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I would just like every commuter to know that they should be thankful that they have their own apartment or home to go to. Living in OU's residence halls really sucks! You can't study, you can't do your homework or anything else. So for all of you that have homes and apartments to go home to, be thankful because OU's residence halls suck!

This is something that really ticks me off, people in classes who get phone calls. They never turn off their pagers or their cell phones. Right in the middle of class it rings, and that's annoying. I mean come on, you're students, you're not that important.

My question is simple...Why is it that the university cancels classes for Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, but classes are not canceled on President's Day? Civil rights would not be possible if it weren't for our 16th president, Abraham Lincoln, who came long before Martin Luther King Jr.

## LETTERS TO THE editor

### Student questions OUSC spending

Dear Editor,  
Diversity, fundamental to a successful university, is by all means worth promoting. However, I vehemently disagree with the recent Student Congress decision to waste \$2,250 of our fee dollars to send Student Congress members to a \$75 a plate banquet, under the heading of "we're promoting diversity."

Student Congress has decided to purchase three tables at the "Keeper of the Dream" banquet. While I don't dispute the worthiness of the cause, I do dispute the need to purchase three tables. In the

past few years, Student Congress has purchased one table that seated ten individuals. This year Student Congress took the liberty of purchasing seats for 30 individuals despite only 15 individuals showing interest. Why was it necessary to purchase three tables if you can't fill them? What are we going to do with the 15 empty seats?

I would submit that the \$2,250 could have been used to really promote diversity here on campus in a number of different ways. Perhaps a speaker could have been paid to speak on campus or a

diversity program created that would have involved all students, not just those on Student Congress.

I have grown very frustrated with the liberal spending policy of this Student Congress and its administration. It's sickening to think that Student Congress is attending \$75 a plate banquets on our dime. These individuals should not be permitted to run roughshod with our money any longer.

Joe Rozell  
Senior, Public Administration

## EDITOR'S view

### Squeaky petitioners get the grease

OU students, stand up and give yourselves a round of applause.

You got mad when the administration tried to move commencement ceremonies from the Baldwin Pavilion to the O'Rena, and you spoke up, more than 2,500 of you, and asked President Gary Russi to move the ceremonies back to its traditional home.

Guess what? He listened, and the commencement will be back

at the Pavilion this year.

The credit for the initiative goes to seniors Carrie Goclan and Rick Durso. They spearheaded a petition drive to let the powers that be know the students did not approve of the switch. They filled 72 petitions. Credit also should go to student body president Nick Mitchell and board liaison

While you are at it, give Russi some credit, too. He could have ignored the student voice as he

has in the past, but he didn't this time.

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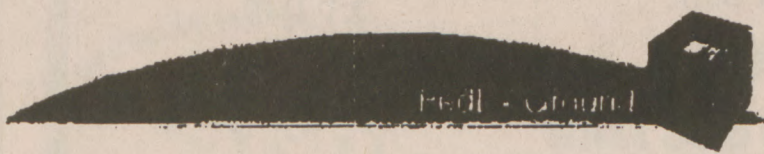
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### LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

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• **ST. THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS**  
8 p.m. Wed., Feb. 23 at Kirk in the Hills in Bloomfield Hills. St. Thomas Choir of Men and Boys is from Thomas Church in New York City. General admission is \$12, and \$6 for students. For more information, call (248)626-2515.

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# Presidential Campaign 2000

## Battle for American vote

By Mike Hoban

SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The presidential race is in full swing. With the open Michigan Primary just finished Feb. 22, and the upcoming Michigan Democratic Caucus on March 11, the candidates are gearing up for a close race. Super Tuesday is also near in the future, with 11 primaries and five state caucuses on March 9.

For the just completed Michigan primary, WXYZ exit polls as of 8 p.m. Tuesday showed Sen. John McCain as the clear leader with 53% of the votes, and Gov. George W. Bush trailing with 40%. Alan Keyes had 4% of the vote.

With such close campaigns, it's important to make an informed voting decision. So where do the candidates stand on the issues most important to voters?

The Democrats have two candidates to choose from: Vice-President Al Gore, and former U.S. Senator and basketball great Bill Bradley. The Republicans, after having several candidates dropping out recently, have three candidates left in the race: Texas Governor George W. Bush, Jr.; U.S. Senator and former prisoner of war John McCain; and radio talk show host and former U.N. Ambassador Alan Keyes. Former G.O.P. candidate Pat Buchanan is running on the Reform ticket.

On the Democratic side, Gore is currently ahead in the polls over Bradley. Gore has more money and endorsements from the major labor unions, he is strong on environmental issues, and is claiming credit with President Clinton for the robust economy. He is pro-choice on the issue of abortion, and favors stricter gun control laws. He also has a plan for national health care and education reforms. To all appearances, Gore's biggest handicap is that he is stuck with all the negatives that came with the Clinton scandals.

Bill Bradley is the self-appointed underdog in the Democratic race. Even though he was a U.S. Senator, he has presented himself as the "anti-Clinton" Washington outsider. Bradley is pro-choice on abortion, and would push for national registration for all handguns.

According to Bradley, national health care, race relations and campaign finance reform are high priorities. His detractors believe his lack of executive experience to be negative. Also, he has had a health problem with an irregular

heart beat that has sidelined him twice on the campaign trail.

Both Gore and Bradley say they would use the budget surplus to strengthen Social Security and Medicare, although they differ slightly in their approach.

On the Republican side, Bush, Jr. is the front-runner in the G.O.P. race, and has raised a record \$80 million in campaign funds. He has described his first priority as education, as shown by the instituted standardized testing in Texas schools. He is pro-life, but says he would not require that as a

He is well respected on defense and veteran's issues. He is also pro-life, but says he wouldn't make it a "litmus test" for Supreme Court Justices, either. He favors instant background checks for all gun purchases and plans to cut taxes slightly less than Bush to protect Social Security.

McCain has been criticized for his temper, and has been accused by some as a hypocrite on campaign finance reform, while taking large contributions from political action committees.

Alan Keyes is the only African-

trails the front-runners by double digit margins.

Pat Buchanan left the Republican Party and is now with the Reform Party. His top priority is to "preserve the sanctity of life," as he opposes abortion even in cases of rape and incest. He opposes gun control laws and says he would eliminate the federal Department of Education. He wants to protect America's national sovereignty by getting out of the World Trade Organization and preventing China from obtaining most favored nation status.

His ultra-conservative views turn many voters off. Recently, he has been criticized for his allegedly favorable remarks in his book about Adolf Hitler.

How do OU students stand on the candidates and issues?

According to last week's non-scientific poll of approximately 80 students, 64% of those polled were undecided. Of the students who had chosen a candidate, 60% plan to vote for Bush, 25% plan to vote for Gore, 15% plan to vote for McCain, and no one surveyed chose Bradley, Buchanan, or Keyes.

Michelle Rose, a 20 year-old Communication major from Detroit, likes Bush mostly for his name recognition. The most important issue to her is character: "Where they stand on family issues, going back to Clinton it didn't count for much, and I'd like to see where they're going with their health plan."

Armand Collins, a 20 year-old Biology major from Pontiac, hasn't decided who he'll vote for yet, but said, "My main focus is on education and a person who focuses on minority issues."

Ron Ziemba, a 23 year-old Engineering major from Troy, likes John McCain and said he "would like to have a President who didn't spend so much time enforcing useless gun control laws."

Locally, there is an active chapter of both the Michigan Young Democrats, and the Oakland County Young Republicans.

Kyle Terzag, President of the Michigan Young Democrats, said "It seems like Gore has the organization in place and Bradley seems to be having trouble getting any traction."

The Oakland County Young Republicans were unavailable for comment.



Dan McDuffee/Oakland Post

**PRIMARY VOTING:** Tuesday found Michigan voters choosing one of the three remaining Republican candidates.

## Caucuses vs. Primaries

How presidential primaries and caucuses compare:



### CAUCUSES:

#### Grassroots politics

**What they are:** A complex, multilayered system of meetings that begin at the neighborhood level, and are scheduled over several weeks.

**Who participates:** Mostly party activists, but any registered voter can participate

**What they do:** Decide which presidential candidates the state's delegates to the national political conventions will support.

**States with caucuses** Black= Both parties Grey= only



### PRIMARIES:

#### Letting voters decide

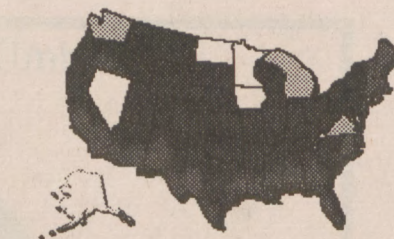
**What they are:** Voters cast ballots for a presidential candidate, in order to determine which candidates a state's delegates will support at the national conventions.

#### Types

**Closed primary:** Only party members are allowed to vote for candidates of their party.

**Open primary:** Open to registered voters of all parties; voters are allowed to cross party lines.

**States with primaries** Black= Both parties Grey= only



Information taken from Chicago Tribune, Internet Edition

"litmus test" when appointing Supreme Court Justices (meaning their appointment is contingent on their stand on abortion).

Bush supports the right to keep and bear arms; in fact, he signed "right to carry" concealed weapons legislation in Texas. He has executive experience as Governor, but is criticized by some as intellectually shallow and running on the coattails of his father, former President George Bush.

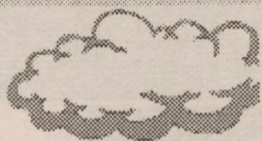
Sen. John McCain is crusading on campaign finance reform and wants to eliminate so-called "soft money" campaign contributions.

American candidate, and he is pro-life on the issue of abortion. He favors the right to carry concealed weapons and opposes all gun ban laws. He opposes campaign finance reforms and favors local control of schools.

Keyes is the most conservative of the three Republican candidates, and is considered to be a good speaker. Some political analysts have called him the clear winner of all the debates, and say that he doesn't use focus groups or "spin doctors" to tell him what to say on the issues. Most analysts count him out of the race, since he

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### Saving for a Vacation

**Q: I am planning to take a trip to France this summer. How can I best save the money needed for that trip? — K.G., via the Internet**

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1. Plan out what your expenses will be. You don't know how much to save if you don't know how much you're going to need, do you? You'd be surprised, though, how many people neglect to answer this most basic question. You're going to need money for ...

— Airfare. In general, it's most difficult to find good prices for a "normal" time period — that is, when you book a few weeks before you want to leave. Instead, if you can, try to find a cheap rate now. You might try [www.priceline.com](http://www.priceline.com), or [cheaptickets.com](http://cheaptickets.com), or [tiss.com](http://tiss.com) (whatever that stands for) at [www.tiss.com](http://www.tiss.com). At Priceline, remember, if you get a flight you're *obligated* to buy it. At the other sites you can find a ticket and then decide whether or not you want to go through with payment.

The other time to buy a seat is at the last minute. You can sometimes get Internet specials with mouth-dropping round-trip fares — though they generally apply in the off-season and often have severe time limitations (such as, you can stay only for a weekend or a week or two). Go to the Web sites of the major airline carriers to find out about their special deals and to be notified by e-mail of such deals.

— Lodging and food. Figure out where you're going to stay. Have a yen for adventure? You can probably stay at youth hostels *auberges de la jeunesse*. Have a tent and like to camp? You can save a bundle.

If you're going with friends, consider renting a house together. You'll save on both lodging and food. In fact, consider renting this one, which is owned by the Foolish writer of this very article (warning — shameless plug coming): [www.alvacations.com/wolpe/1](http://www.alvacations.com/wolpe/1).

— Transportation within the country. Depending on how long you're going to be there, there are Eurailpasses (for travel on the excellent French train system) that can be very good deals. For train information, go to [www.sncf.fr](http://www.sncf.fr) and click on the little English flag. Or, even easier, go to a travel agent and ask her.

— Fun. Yes, fun.  
2. Add \$500 to the expenses you figured out in step No. 1. You'll be glad you did after your 45th bread-and-cheese sandwich.

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4. Put the money in an account that'll earn you the highest possible interest. It's too short a time span to invest in the stock market, but check into money markets and short-term CDs. Make sure there's no penalty for early withdrawal.

5. And finally, have fun in France! Remember, it's the country that invented the expression "*joie de vivre*" — joy of life! You'll want to remember that while they're ignoring you in Paris!

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Medicaid, welfare reform laws, and living wage. The nonprofit organization is primarily active in the political realm on a local, state, and national level.

Students at the discussion were asked to look into the dual role of politics as seen nationally and internationally.

"The issues I invested in for most of my life have been peace, opposition to nuclear weaponry, examining the priority placed on military power, and the growing consciousness of the plight of women in the United States and around the world," said Beesly.

"For Catholics and all people of faith, some things in the world are not right," said Beesly. "We must name them."

One organization she mentioned was the U.S. Army School of the Americas which she said trains

soldiers and military personnel from Latin American countries in lessons such as counter-insurgency, military intelligence, and anti-narcotics operations.

Beesly said the training which started in 1946 is funded by U.S. tax payers. She blamed the army school "graduates" for human rights abuses in Colombia, the El Mozote massacre, the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero, and the Jesuit massacre in El Salvador, the La Cantuta massacre in Peru, and the killing of a UN worker in Chile.

"Social justice is integral to faith. It is not just the private domain, it is a stimulus for action," said Beesly.

Sean Moran, associate professor of History, will host the next discussion on the "Ten Peak Moments in Church History" from 6-8p.m. on March 5, at St. John Fisher.

For more information about upcoming topics, contact Lisa Abad at 370-3629.

**JOURNAL**

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year, once in the spring semester and once again in the fall semester.

Oakland Journal will automatically be distributed to faculty and staff and is available for no charge to all registered students upon request. The remainder of the copies will go to local bookstores, selling for \$6.50 a piece. Brieger reports that the initial printing has been limited to 1,400 copies in order to test the school's willingness to absorb the new journal.

According to Professor Brieger, if initial reactions are any indication, the original copies should have no problem finding distribution. Richard Stamps, an archaeology professor and a review writer in the first issue of the Oakland Journal agrees, saying:

"All the research that goes into a book like this is an invaluable tool to letting people in on seeing on what others are doing around here. After 25 years at this school, I would say that this is a definitely a strong indication of maturity, - maturity that will hopefully be widely received."

As for the future of the publication, Brieger seems to have put the necessary pieces into place to ensure a long-lasting relationship between the journal and the OU community. An advisory board has been assembled to assist the editor in generating material, reviewing essays and poetry and determining what will actually run in each issue. The advisory board is composed of a wide range of professors specializing in subjects such as art history, political science, British literature, communications, engineering and business management. Professor

Sherman Folland (economics) and Brian Murphy (English) will serve as the publications associate editors.

Along with the aforementioned essays by Eberwien and Brockman, the book also features work by OU student Karen Morgante as she published an essay on Louis Betts, a late portrait painter of the society elite. While Morgante's essay is the only student entry in the spring issue, Brieger encourages students to contribute their work to the Oakland Journal. For more information on where to send an essay, a story or a poem and guidelines, go to the Oakland University home page and click on the "Oakland Journal" link.

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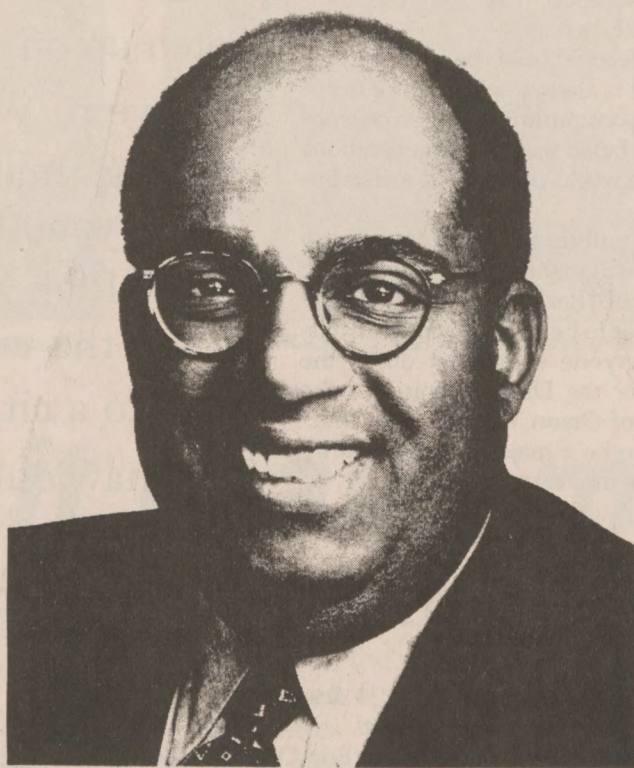
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• Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD's) are serious, sometimes painful and damaging. As we approach our long awaited spring break, it is necessary to know the importance of ways to prevent STD's. It is also important to know the signs and symptoms of STD's so you can seek medical advice if you have any concerns and receive treatment to prevent transmission to others. Latex condoms should be worn for sex regardless if you are using other contraceptives or not. Abstinence is the only way to completely protect you from contracting a STD! Latex condoms are effective, when used properly every time, for decreasing your risk of contracting most STD's, but Herpes and HPV (genital warts) can be transmitted by skin to skin contact through areas that are not protected by the condom. Most STD's are treatable, but there is no cure for HIV/AIDS, and the herpes virus stays with you for the rest of your life. If you have any questions regarding STD's, please contact your physician or the Graham Health Center at ext. 2341 or e-mail [health@oakland.edu](mailto:health@oakland.edu). Lastly, have a wonderful spring break and remember to be safe!

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Open House is the perfect opportunity for family and friends to enjoy a free day at the recreation center. You will have the privilege to enjoy open recreation, swimming, structured activities and games. Each open house will have two to three special events that will be suitable for all ages.

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Nestle Crunch Bar! Entries are available at the Rec Center.

Drawing will take place at the men's IM basketball championship game on **Thursday, March 16th** at 8 PM. Must be present to win!

• **March 31 - Michigan Collegiate Job Fair** will be held at the

Burton Manor in Livonia. Over 170 employers are expected to participate. Visit our 'Upcoming Attractions' at the Placement & Career Services web page at <http://phoenix.placement.oakland.edu> for details.



## life Edge ON CAMPUS

•March is **WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**.

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## CONCERTS

•**MISTRESS BARBARA** spins on three turntables the blend of tribal techno that is inescapable at 9 p.m. on Feb. 25 at Motor Lounge, Hamtramck.

•**BLACK OCEAN DROWNING** will make a splash with Dead by 28 and Degenerative Velocity when they play at 8 p.m. on Feb. 26 at The Shelter, Detroit.

•Musical group **P.O.D.** will bring their message of music at 7 p.m. on Feb. 27 at Clutch Cargos, Pontiac. The show is all ages.

•Two amazing alternative bands, **STROKE 9** and **VERTICAL HORIZON** will play at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 27 at St. Andrew's Hall, Detroit.

•War of the Pour Competition with **THE VOLCANOS** visits at 9 p.m. on Feb. 29 at the Magic Stick, Detroit.

•**COAL CHAMBER** and Type O Negative will play on March 2 at the State Theatre, Detroit.

•The **WHITE STRIPES** will play with the Lolitas at 9 p.m. on March 3 at the Magic Stick, Detroit.

## COMING SOON

•**COCKTAIL ANGST** with special guests Dem Brooklyn Bums will bring their swingin' tunes at 9 p.m. on March 4 to Velvet Lounge, Pontiac.

•Get ready for the father of soul, **JAMES BROWN**, when he comes March 18 to Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. During his 40-year career, he has scored a record 98 entries on Billboard magazine's Top 40 R&B charts.

# How far would you go TO BE A MILLIONAIRE

By Sarah Long  
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

If you happened to be flipping through the channels Feb. 15, you may have seen one of OU's very own students. Amy Kronkos was one of 50 contestants to appear on the Fox show "Who Wants to Marry a Multi-Millionaire?"

Kronkos first heard of the show through her mom. Oakland Mall hosted auditions in which candidates made their own videos to be reviewed by judges. Kronkos then received a call saying she had been chosen to go to Las Vegas to do the show.

"Who wouldn't want a free vacation?" said Kronkos. She also received \$300 in spending money. The contestants spent the week rehearsing and just hanging out.

Kronkos said there were some people her age, but the older ladies were the ones ready to get married. Kronkos thought this trip would be good exposure for her career. She is into acting and modeling, and figured a TV appearance couldn't hurt her future plans. Over 25 million people were watching the show.

"If he was nice, I would have married him. He is 49 and, I'm only 19. We could have gotten the wedding annulled if I was chosen."

Unfortunately, Kronkos was not chosen. She

didn't get the chance to figure out if she would have married him or not. She was dismissed after the first round.

Kronkos is not disappointed by the experience; she is glad she did it. She said she was able to meet a lot of nice people and went on a free vacation.

Kronkos never got to know the winning contestant, Darva Conger, a nurse in the Gulf War and a California resident. Conger did end up marrying the multi-millionaire, Rick Rockwell.

Rockwell, 49, California is a real estate investor and motivational speaker.

As for Kronkos, her life here at OU has been different since doing the show. She has made appearances on "Fox News" and "Entertainment Tonight," done interviews on radio and has been featured in newspaper articles.

While picking up prescriptions at the drug store, an elderly woman noticed Kronkos from the show and talked to her about it.

"It was weird. She just kept staring and pointing at me," said Kronkos.

She is still attending OU and pursuing a major in PreLaw/Sociology. She also works full-time at Global Tooling Systems in Shelby Township.

## DFT restores classic films

"Rear Window," "The Third Man"  
recrafted, made vivid

By Carl Savich  
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The Detroit Film Theatre's screening of the restored version of Alfred Hitchcock's classic 1954 film "Rear Window" was a tremendous success and sure-fire crowd pleaser.

Nearly all showings of the film were to a full house, including the balcony and main floor. "Rear Window" has been out on video since the early 1980's but, prints have been of rather average to poor quality. Some of the negatives had aged and yellowed since the film debuted in 1954. There were specks and dust particles on some negatives. The negatives had been poorly preserved and video prints of the classic film were thus technically flawed.

The current restored version of the film is a remarkable achievement. The negatives have been carefully and painstakingly restored so that the color quality and the color tone are almost as good as the originals. The project was a labor of love to bring Hitchcock's masterpiece to a new audience of fans.

The genius of Hitchcock's artistry and directorial skill is evident throughout. The color shimmered and sparkled in a dazzling display of film artistry. The restored "Rear Window" was a triumph of technical expertise and devotion to film excellence. While too much tinkering with a film can, in some instances, take away from the purity of the original, this restoration worked.

The enhanced and restored images highlight the craftsmanship of the original film and its actors. James Stewart's expressions stand out with greater force while Grace Kelly's wardrobe and emotional jousts with Stewart are highlighted.

The action and the scenery are imbued with new life and vitality. There is a clarity and sharpness to the locale, the apartment buildings, and the courtyard.

The restoration only makes the great film even greater. "Rear Window" is a tour de force by Hitchcock and all concerned in the project. It is a complete success.

"The Third Man" restoration is striking and only enhances an already great film. About 11 minutes cut from the American release have been added to the new version. These scenes involve a car chase sequence and some footage in the beginning which sets the stage for the story.

These scenes add greater detail and texture to the film. The quality of the prints is excellent. The sound has also been restored to create a dazzling effect. The final product is stunning and powerful in drawing the viewer into its world, a world of intrigue, mystery and suspense. The restoration, like that of "Rear Window," is a total success.

Everyone involved should be praised, for they deserve it. It is always encouraging to see such painstaking commitment to excellence and quality and a belief that future generations should experience works of art as the artists initially intended.

For the cinema enthusiast, and anyone who appreciates craftsmanship and talent, the restored versions of "Rear Window" and "The Third Man" are not to be missed under any circumstances. Everyone should jot down the date, April 10, for the DFT screening of the restored version of Orson Welles' "The Trial" which promises to be a major movie event by one of the greatest movie makers of all.

## SPB • UNDERGROUND

Musician Lucy Webster jams  
for SPB's Underground  
Coffeehouse, OU students



ACOUSTIC STYLES: If you are looking for FREE entertainment options, check out SPB's Underground Coffee house. Last Saturday the featured artist was Lucy Webster. Come and play games, eat free food and drink some great coffee at 8 p.m. March 18 in the Heritage Room. Patchouli will rock their "eclectic acoustic jamnation" style.

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SPRING  
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No plans for Spring  
Break? Here are  
some alternative  
ideas to Cancun and  
Florida.

Catch up on sleepy-time, you know you need it.

Drive to Windsor to check out the casinos.  
Spring time isn't just about taking a break...  
everyone has some spring cleaning to do.

Plan a trip to take this summer...  
the weather will be perfect then.

Go to a city in Mich. you've never been to.  
Thaw out on a local beach. Yeah right.

## Students direct, perform collection of one-act plays

By Lani Morgan  
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The weekend of student-directed one-act plays was a beautiful example of students and faculty supporting the theatre program at OU. It took place last weekend, Feb. 17-20, in the Lab Theatre of Varner Hall.

The two student-directed shows were preceded by a staged reading of "Special Delivery on Aisle One." It was a play written and directed by Nancy Vitale, senior, english major, theatre minor.

She said, "It's awesome to see people supporting student work and to have an opportunity to display student talent." This debut of Vitale's show is a breakthrough because a student must have completed the directing class in order to direct a play. However, Vitale had special permission to produce her show under certain conditions: There could be no props and, actors must have their scripts in hand (which qualifies it as a "staged reading" instead of a play).

"Special Delivery on Aisle One" takes place inside Mr. Yee's convenience store, where a newly married couple is shopping. Tom (Benji Rakestraw, senior) is stressing to his wife Anne (Vanessa Sawson) the importance of making it home in time for the Superbowl. Meanwhile, Anne, search-

ing for Oreos and pickles, is desperately trying to tell her husband that she is pregnant.

The whole while, Mr. Yee (Eric Orive, senior) is miming developing pictures, some of which "peak his interest." Mr. Yee provides the biggest laughs of the show, speaking in a stereotypical Asian dialect. He says such things as "It's five o' clock" and "Good luck."

It was a successful debut for student writer Vitale.

Following the staged reading, the actors, directors and designers all aided in a quick set change. Both one-act plays were directed by Jen Smith, senior, Theatre Performance. This is Smith's third directing project at OU. After graduating this May, she plans to move to Chicago to attend a graduate school for directing.

The first one-act play was entitled "Out the Window" by Neal Bell. In it was Maureen Hurley, musical theatre and Brandon Thompson, senior, theatre. The play explored the relationship between a married couple dealing with the husband's recent confinement to a wheelchair because of an auto accident.

It was both poignant because of the debilitation but comical being that Thompson was in a wheelchair that was on top of a table. He did not know how he got there. The two made the transitions easily and had wonderful chemistry with one

another.

The evening took a turn, however, with the final show. It was a hilarious tale of magical whimsy paired with a sexually explicit plot. Picture "Alice in Wonderland" in vinyl, literally. "What She Found There" by John Glone had every mouth in the audience agape.

Starring in it was the talk of the night, Carrie LaFerrie, who played Celia. Celia is the extremely eccentric 130 year old, trapped in a 13 year old's body, complete with an innocent Mary Poppins voice.

Louis (Lee Huff) played the real-world New Yorker, who just spent the night with Celia. Afterwards, he finds out that she has just come into our world from "Looking Glass World," where everything was backwards.

After sleeping together, Celia now expects him to "woo" her, then get to know her and finally, to meet her.

Many audience members, including Jocelyn Floyd, freshman, enjoyed the "mixing of fantasy and reality."

LaFerrie said she owes it all to Smith. "She is a phenomenal director."

This topsy-turvy tale was the perfect ending to a night of student-performed, student-directed and, in one case, student-written theater.

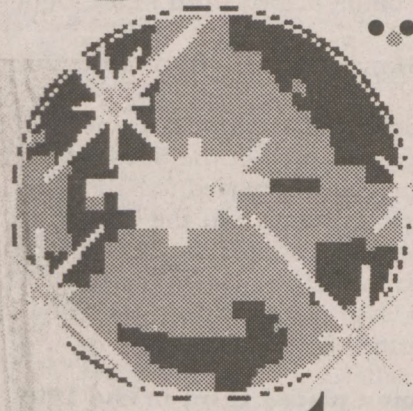


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## STUDIO 54



### discos its way to local nightclub

#### Featured nights offer more to club goers

By Sara McDowell  
Of THE OAKLAND POST

Looking for a fun night out? Tired of smoky and boring clubs? Karma, a nightclub located on Woodward, one block north of Nine Mile in Ferndale, offers a range of excitement and entertainment.

The club's 11,000 foot dance floor and numerous tables provide a spacious environment for people to hang out with their friends, mingle, and of course, dance. Karma's sound system is powerful and pumps out music that makes dancing infectious.

"Karma is a cool place because of the good music, large dance floor and cool atmosphere," said Dana Laurila, senior, nursing.

Nicely decorated with large lantern style lights and red walls, the club gives off an airy and warm atmosphere. Karma also has a V.I.P room complete with black leather couches and purple painted walls that emit a homey and relaxed feel.

The club features special nights, such as Evolution on Wednesdays with DJ Timmy D, drawing in many who are of college age.

On Thursday nights, local rock n' roll band, Gordon Bennett, bring their energetic presence to the stage. The band gets the crowd into the music by hopping off stage and dancing and singing on platforms. The group of five young men show their talents as they are accompanied by an amazing light show. The band which plays anything from The Allman Brothers and Greatful Dead, to The Temptations and KC and the Sunshine Band, also have a great amount of their own original music. Their sound encompasses the classic music of the 70s through 90s and can be best described as full spectrum and energetic rock and roll.

"I like how they have the stage for the band to play on

because it makes them stand out," said Nicole Dell, junior, Communications.

Friday nights DJ Urban Kris spins house and techno music. Saturday nights DJ Timmy D plays progressive dance, house, and techno and the club draws in around 800 people. The crowd is usually made up of upscaled young adults on Saturdays and has a dress code of no jeans or baseball hats.

Sunday night is "Hair" night. This night is dedicated to hair dressers who usually have Mondays off and are looking for something fun to do on Sunday nights. All hair dressers get in free by showing their business card, and there is no cover before 12 a.m.

One of the club's owners, Rob Potter, graduated from OU in 1996 with a degree in Political Science.

"I started as a barback at Industry and then became a bartender. After I graduated, I found an opportunity to invest in a club, and it progressed to running it," said Potter who co-owns the bar with Mark McConnell.

This Friday, Feb. 25, Studio 54 comes to Karma, as DJ Jimmy Shaff and Urban Kris will spin the classic music of the 70s.

"We'll play 70s music, not so much disco, but 70s dance," said Potter.

The club will be decorated to represent the true feel of the original Studio 54. Dressing in 70s attire is encouraged, and those who do won't have to stand in line to get into the bar.

The club is also planning a Mardi Gras party to be held on Friday March 10.

Karma, which opened in Feb. of last year, is open Wednesdays through Sundays nights, with doors at 9 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays is 18+ with a \$5 cover charge. Fridays and Saturdays are 21+. To find out more about the club, call (248) 541-1600 or visit their website at [www.karmadetroit.com](http://www.karmadetroit.com)



All photos by Sara McDowell/ The Oakland Post

Karma draws in many who enjoy watching live entertainment provided by the rock 'n roll band, Gordon Bennett on Thursday nights.

**Wednesdays: Evolution/DJ Timmy**

**Thursdays: Gordon Bennett**

**Fridays: DJ Urban Kris**

**Saturdays: DJ Timmy D**

**Sundays: Hair, DJ Timmy D**



WHAT'S HAPPENING: Karma's marquee displays the weekly events for the club.



ROCK 'N ROLL: Gordon Bennett plays every Thursday night at Karma.



GROOVING CLUB: Karma is a great place to mingle with friends while listening and dancing to great music.

## MTV: Is it really music television?

In my early days, MTV was the best. Our parents didn't want us to watch it, so we did. All the time.

It drove our attention spans down, and told us what was cool. It exposed us to trends, to new music, to political movements.

Nowadays, MTV isn't about music, though. You can watch it for hours and not see a single music video. When you do see videos, they seem to cut off the beginning and ending, as if to suggest that they don't have time to air the whole thing - a video is 5 minutes long, at tops.

And when was the last time you saw a video during the day for a song you've never heard on the radio before?

MTV is, admittedly, in a bit of a bind. See, it makes money through advertising, and in order to do so, it has to market airtime to advertisers, and they want to sell that time for the highest price.

If you're looking to buy time on MTV, are you going to want to throw your ad out there in the middle of a block of videos by



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"groundbreaking" artists? Or do you want to put it in the middle of a product, a show with celebrities and music that is already proven to be popular?

Besides, if you're watching just video after video, what's keeping you tuned in?

If a video comes on by, say, N'Sync, I'm flipping the channel, even if I watched the last four videos in a row.

I won't flip the channel if I see "The Real World" on. Something about six people I don't know and don't like, sitting around bitching at each other is incredibly entertaining. Especially that one guy, who's a jerk to everyone? You know? That guy?

And if that show "Undressed" is on, which is a "behind-the-scenes view of college life" that looks suspiciously like a late-night cable movie without all the really naughty parts, I may watch that, too.

But if Tom Green is throwing condoms around a nursing home or something, I may be tempted to watch the whole half-hour. That, somehow, is funny.

But it's not music.

When I turn on Music Television, I'm all about originality. I don't want to see a nasty sweaty knock-kneed off-key buck-toothed 35-year old dude named Jimbo shaking his "bon-bon" and singing "Ray of Light" in a voice so awful it physically harms household pets. I don't even like "Ray of Light" when Madonna sings it (I'm referring to "Say What Karaoke")!

Instead, I've noticed around campus, people watch VH 1. I saw a room with ten people in it watching the "Behind the Music" of Milli-Vanilli.

That show had everything in it you'd want to know about the two guys in the band - except which one was Milli, and which was Vanilli. That has always bugged me.

It's funny. When I was a teenager, I made fun of VH 1. I called it the "old people's net-

work." Now I love it.

I wonder what that means. I didn't like it before, but now I've gotten a little...

Oh, no.

DISCLAIMER: Viacom, which owns MTV, also owns everything from Blockbuster to the New York Rangers. They are one of the biggest media conglomerates in the world. I could be searching for a job in that field soon, and if, in the future, anyone from Viacom is reading this, here goes.

I take it all back! I was just kidding! Ha ha! MTV? Love it! Ricky Martin? Talented! Celebrity Deathmatch? Where's its Emmy?! Karaoke! Not just a thing for drunken people in bars, that's entertainment! I'll do it! I'll dress up like Dr. Evil with an orange afro and sing "I Want It That Way!" Viva La Vida MTV!

You see MTV?

I can sell out, too.

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## SCOREBOARD

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Feb. 17	
Oakland	69
IUPUI	54

Feb. 19	
Oakland	74
Chicago State	64

Feb. 21	
Oakland	71
Western Illinois	62

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

Feb. 17	
Oakland	83
IUPUI	79

Feb. 19	
Oakland	99
Chicago State	95

Feb. 21	
Oakland	78
Western Illinois	75

## BASEBALL

Feb. 19	
Georgia Tech	9
Oakland	1

Feb. 20	
Georgia Tech	9
Oakland	5

Feb. 21	
Georgia Tech	22
Oakland	3

## MEN'S CLUB HOCKEY

Feb. 18	
Oakland	3
Lake Superior State	3

Feb. 19	
Lake Superior State	5
Oakland	4

UPCOMING  
GAMES

**MEN'S BASKETBALL**  
FEB. 24 - UMKC, 7:35 p.m.  
FEB. 26 - ORAL ROBERTS, 7 p.m.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**  
FEB. 24 - UMKC,  
5:15 p.m.  
FEB. 26 - ORAL ROBERTS,  
4:30 p.m.

**WOMEN'S SWIMMING**  
FEB. 23-26 - at NIC  
Championship (Boca  
Raton, Florida), ALL DAY  
EACH DAY

**MEN'S SWIMMING**  
FEB. 24-26 - at NIC  
Championship (Boca  
Raton, Florida), ALL DAY  
EACH DAY

**TENNIS**  
FEB. 23-26 - Spring Trip to  
Traverse City (vs. Ferris  
State), time, TBA each day

**BASEBALL**  
FEB. 23 - at Georgia  
College, 3 p.m.  
FEB. 24 - at Kennesaw  
State, 4 p.m.  
FEB. 26, & 27 - at West  
Georgia, 4 p.m. each day  
FEB. 28 - at Georgia  
College, 4 p.m.  
FEB. 29 - at Kennesaw  
State, 4 p.m.

**MEN'S GOLF**  
FEB. 26-MAR. 4 - Spring Trip  
(Florida), time TBA each  
day

**MEN'S CLUB HOCKEY**  
FEB. 25, & 26 - UNIVERSITY  
OF MICHIGAN, 7:30 p.m.  
each day

## LOOKING

A glance at the  
NIC Championship Meet

By Lisa Cali  
OF THE OAKLAND POST

When OU swimmers say they have a goal to reach, they mean business.

The goal, now that the regular dual meet season is over, is placing high and doing well at the National Independent Conference Championship meet this weekend.

The NIC will be held in Boca Raton this weekend and will host 12 Division I teams including OU, Western Kentucky, Southern Illinois and Cincinnati, the men's and women's champions for the past two years.

Both the men's and women's teams will be competing and both have high hopes for the outcome. The women hope to win the meet, and believe they have a good shot at the championship title. The men are hoping to place in the top three, which will better their fourth place finish from last year. But it's not just about placing high or winning the meet for either team. Men's Head coach Pete Hovland and Women's Head coach Scott Teeters both said that having their team work together to do the best they can is what is really important in this meet.

The competition at the NIC meet is a step up from the competition at the Mid-Con Conference Championship meet, which was

held in December. Both the men and women claimed the Mid-Con Championship title this year.

The women have energetic enthusiasm and don't seem to be the least bit nervous about the competition they will face.

Senior Ellen Collins, a captain for the women's team, said that the team is so prepared, there is no reason for them to be nervous.

"We want to beat Cincinnati and walk away from this meet with pride," Collins said. "We really just want to get out there and show some Oakland spirit."

Senior Kazi Murr, who is also one of the women's captains, showed the same kind of positive attitude. Murr has been leading OU in both the 1m and 3m diving this year, and attributes her progress to the extra help from new diving coach Buck Smith.

"I would like to make the top five and qualify for the NCAA meet," Murr said. "The competition is very hard, but I feel pretty ready."

Murr will be doing two dives that she hasn't competed with yet, but she still said that she has a lot of confidence and shows no signs of being nervous.

The men also have experienced a level of enthusiasm and are prepared for the meets. "Both of these championship meets are very

important to us," Hovland said. "But there's a better chance to qualify for the NCAA Championship and advance to the next level at the NIC meet."

Many of the men share their coach's outlook on this meet and are going to swim their best and advance to the next level. For some, that level is qualifying for the NCAA Championship meet, but for others like senior Courtney Dunlap, it is qualifying for the Olympic trial cut.

"Since this is the end of the line, I would like to say that I took swimming as far as I can take it," Dunlap said. "I just want to go out with a bang."

Dunlap, who is one of the men's captains, has been one of OU's leading freestyle swimmers this year. Even though he has set big goals for himself, he is confident and excited about the meet.

Both teams have every right to be excited and confident, since there are a number of swimmers that have a good chance to qualify for the NCAA meet.

"Georgi Kinsela already has a good enough time in the 100y breaststroke, Yvonne Lynn could qualify in the 100y backstroke and Danielle Ward could qualify in any freestyle event," Teeters said.

## 1998 NIC Championships

- Yvonne Lynn placed first in the 100y back and third in the 200y back
- Peggy Stauss placed third in the 100y fly and fourth in the 200y fly
- Ellen Collins placed third in the 500y freestyle
- Betsy Hansen placed third in the 200y fly
- Andy Schmit placed third in the 1650y freestyle and fourth in the 500y freestyle
- Haitham Hassan placed fourth in the 100y back and fourth in the 200y back
- Ido Meron placed fifth in the 100y back and sixth in the 200y back
- Thiago Orso placed fifth in the 200y IM and fifth in the 100y fly

The women placed third in the 1998-99 NIC Championships.

The men placed fourth in the 1998-99 NIC Championships.

As for the men, Thiago Orso, Dave Hartzel, Haitham Hassan, Jim Kanak and Dunlap all have good chances of qualifying according to Hovland.

Both coaches hope that their swimmers will be able to qualify and win medals, but they also believe that if their teams work together and do the best they can do, the meet will be a successful one.

"I want to see 28 young ladies get on the plane with big smiles on their faces," Teeters said.

Despite all the personal goals the swimmers have set for themselves, the focus on teamwork remains strong on their minds.

Collins proved this when she said that her personal goal was "for everyone to set their personal best times."

## Streak hits eight

By Ramez Khuri  
OF THE OAKLAND POST

**OU hosts UMKC**  
5:15 p.m. Feb. 24:  
The Golden  
Grizzlies take on  
the Kangaroos

**OU hosts Oral Roberts**  
5:15 p.m. Feb. 26:  
The Golden  
Grizzlies take on  
the Golden Eagles

**Mid-Continent Conference Championship**  
March 4-7: The  
Golden Grizzly  
Women travel to  
Fort Wayne,  
Indiana to fight for  
first place in the  
Mid-Con.  
This is the first  
year that the  
women are eligible  
to place in post  
season competition

ere we go again! OU's women's basketball team won its 8th straight game Monday night against Western Illinois, 71-62. It seems like the Grizzlies have forgotten how to lose.

OU started out playing sloppy, committing fouls and turnovers, and Western Illinois capitalized going up 15-8 early.

Head coach Becky Francis said, "I was a little concerned, but it helped having the experience that I had on the bench in coach Nichols, when he said, it's just a couple turnovers, and if we clean that up and break down their defense, we get good shots. We knew that we could make the adjustments because we are a good passing team."

Nichols was right. After a time-out, the turnovers were cut to a minimum, and OU started to play the style of ball that had won the previous seven games.

As usual, The Grizzlies were paced by the three-headed monster. Beth Zeone had 15 points, Katie Wolfe scored seven and

Sarah Judd had a double double in the first half with ten points and ten rebounds, as OU went to the intermission up 37-32.

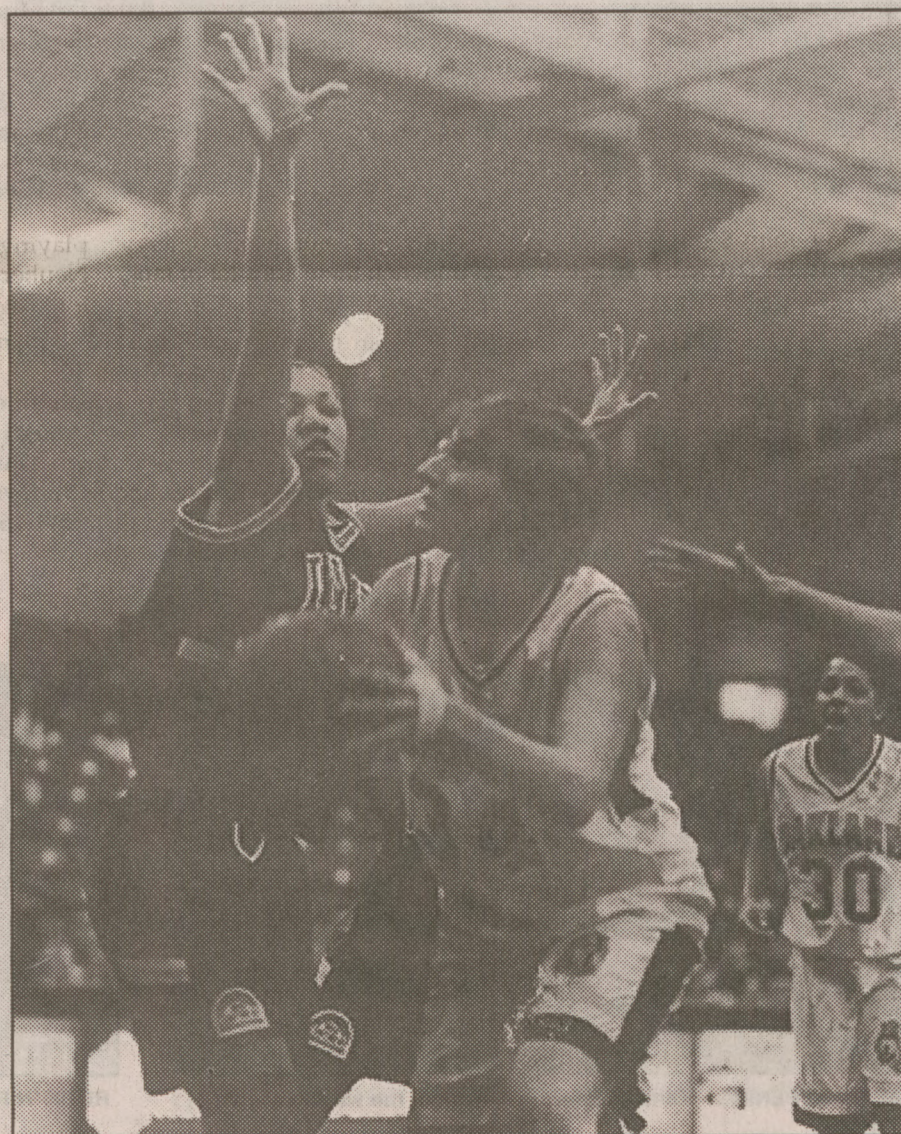
The second half was not very kind to Wolfe as she picked up her fourth foul with a little more than 13 minutes left and had to sit.

Becky Barok who came into the game off the bench, played some solid minutes as she picked up the slack for Wolfe.

"I got in the first half, and had a little trouble, but I knew that I had to step it up if our team was going to win, and I needed to give Katie a break while she needed it," Barok said.

It got a little scary for a while when Western Illinois took a 52-49 lead with less than nine minutes left in the game, but then the Grizzlies turned up the "D" and put the Westerwinds away, outscoring its opponent 22-10 in the last eight minutes.

Zeone finished the game with 26 points, 6 rebounds and 3 assists. Judd had 25 points, 16 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 blocks, and Wolfe scored 11 points and pulled down 4 rebounds.



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post

STUFFING IT IN: Sophomore forward Sarah Judd wraps around IUPUI player during the team's sixth victory in a row.

## Web sites offer sports fans a change of pace

For all of us who don't have the opportunity to go to a tropical island or a ski resort over spring break there has to be something to occupy the time that we aren't at work.

So, for all those hours spent wondering what to do, take a look at these web pages which offer sports fans hours of entertainment.

The find of the day was sportshares.com. This site is an active fantasy game. Players receive \$100,000 of play money to buy stock shares of teams in hockey, basketball and other teams.

Players must build and manage an account which

will beat out the competition. The accounts are free and the site allows a group name to be chosen so that friends can work off the same account.

Players earn play money each time a team's share goes up by winning a game, getting a shut-out and by winning by more than three points.

Prizes are awarded to the top three money winners each month.

This site moves quickly and was the best one I found to



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keep myself occupied.

ESPN.go.com offers online sports jeopardy. The page loads kind of slow, but once you get registered and get going it can keep

you occupied for a while,

and it tests knowledge of sports past and present.

Another option on the ESPN page is a Hoop Games Sweepstakes, which showcases a trip to the Final Four to the grand prize winner.

CNN.si.com has an option that will deliver the day's headlines directly to your

inbox, all you have to do is fill out a registration form.

This site also allows you to chat online with different athletes almost every day and has the day's top stories and scoreboards. This week CNN is also offering four free trial issues of Sports Illustrated magazine. CNN's site is fast moving and is updated regularly. This was the easiest site to use and had almost every story I looked for.

ABCsports.com, which is connected to the ESPN site, offers a large online store which sells apparel, a golf pro-shop, collectibles and much more. The site also has

headline stories and scoreboards.

A few sites that I didn't look into in depth, but could prove interesting are sports.com, which focuses on European sports, football.com, hockey.com and basketball.com. These sites specialize in the individual sports and may offer more in depth information.

All of these pages offer the sports fan hours of entertainment which can't be found on SportsCenter.

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# Black Bears not close enough

By Ramez Khuri  
OF THE OAKLAND POST

**Black Bears Record:**  
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**Black Bears host U-M:**  
7:30 p.m. Feb. 25 at Onyx Rochester Ice Arena

**Black Bears host U-M:**  
7:30 p.m. Feb. 26 at Onyx Rochester Ice Arena

**Post-Season Play:**  
The Black Bears are not eligible for post-season play because this is the team's first year in the league.

After losing a 3-1 lead and tying 3-3 on Friday night against Lake Superior State, the Black Bears, OU's men's club ice hockey team, was ready for the rematch on Saturday night.

The team, which only had the ice for two hours because of a scheduling problem, played 17 minute periods, and cut out the whole first intermission.

Both teams came out flying, but it was the Black Bears with the advantage at the end of the first period, up 1-0.

The second period featured OU sustaining a lot of pressure on Lake Superior's defense, and eventually scoring a goal to go up 2-0 in the first couple minutes. Then the same thing that happened on Friday night happened again.

OU lost a two goal lead, as Lake Superior scored three straight goals to go up 3-2.

Head coach Anthony Jalaba said, "You never want to score a goal and give up a goal right away because then you can't gain any momentum. We got the momentum and scored a goal, but it was

short lived, and they got back in the game."

The Black Bears eventually scored again to tie it up, but Lake Superior regained the lead with a goal with a little more than a minute and a half left in the period, to take a 4-3 lead to the second intermission.

Jalaba said, "In the second intermission I said to them we weren't playing to the best of our ability, and that we needed to clear out the front of our zone, and that we needed to be stronger defensively, and we needed to just basically wake up in general."

The Black Bears listened to the coach, as the team came out fired up and scored early to tie the game.

But the visiting team wasn't finished yet. After trading penalties, Lake Superior scored the winning goal with 1:45 left on the game clock.

OU tried desperately to tie the score, but to no avail.

When asked if he is worried about losing leads as a pattern in his team, Jalaba said, "It's not really a pattern I'm concerned about, although when you have the lead, you have to play smart and adjust to try to retain it."

# Men break Leathernecks

By Becky Barok  
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

In a total team effort, OU's men's basketball team won its fourth straight game, sweeping the season series from Western Illinois.

Despite a slow start, OU hung tough with WIU, and once the Grizzlies got the momentum, there was no looking back.

The Leathernecks led the Grizzlies for most of the first half, but at the 9:52 mark Jason Rozycki hit a three-pointer to enable OU to finally take the lead.

Rozycki hit 4 of his 9 threes in the first half, but his shooting wasn't enough to compete with the rebounding of WIU as the Leathernecks out rebounded the Grizzlies 25-13. OU trailed 40-38 at the intermission.

OU's defensive intensity in the second half enabled the Grizzlies to get the win.

Head coach Greg Kampe said, "I don't think we played bad, I think we

played enthusiastic...I thought we played energetic, we played the way we needed to play. We were able to survive, and at this time of year you just want to survive."

WIU committed 22 turnovers to OU's 11, and the Grizzlies held the Leathernecks to just 32 percent shooting from the floor in the second half.

Rozycki, who led all scores with 34, shot 9-17 from behind the arc. John Champagne, the only other Grizzly in double figures made a

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**Greg Kampe**  
Men's Basketball coach

big contribution off the bench. He shot 5-6 from the floor for 10 points and pulled down 4 rebounds in 26 minutes of playing time.

Kampe had nothing but positive words for his team. "We're peaking. I feel good about our chances, I feel good about our team, they're playing with



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REACHING FOR IT: Sophomore guard Ryan Williams takes IUPUI to the basket during the Feb. 17 game at the 'O'rena.

confidence...It's a total team effort..."

OU is now tied for first place in the Mid-Con, and when asked if that puts any extra pressure on the team, Rozycki said, "No, We are just going to try and focus on ourselves, and put all the pressure on them, (other teams)."

He added, "(Being out rebounded) hurt us. A lot of

those rebounds were when the guy was right under the basket he would shoot and miss it, and get it back and shoot and miss, so it was a little bit deceiving, but there was some big rebounds they got especially on free throws, but it all worked out."

# Fans needed: no experience necessary

By John Stoll  
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Thirteen women came to the OU basketball program this year to be a part of a winning, exciting team. So far, they haven't been let down. The women's basketball team carries a record of 16-9 overall (11-3 Mid Con), sitting in first place as they storm into the final weeks before the conference championships.

However, if attendance figures are any indication, the majority of OU students and the surrounding community don't even know the OU women's basketball team exists. The team, in only its second year of Division I basketball, is averaging 440 in attendance for each of its home games. That number is nearly 400 less than the Mid-Continent Conference average of 819.

And while players like forward Becky Barok aren't necessarily saying that they would win more games if the stands were full, they do indicate that crowd support makes a lot of difference.

"It really gets our team's energy level up when there are a lot of fans, it's more exciting and a lot more meaningful," sophomore forward Barok said. Especially when your team is winning.

Another team that is winning these days is the men's Golden Grizzlies basketball team with an overall record of 11-17 and 9-5 Mid-Con.

Whether it's guard Brad Buddenborg muscling his way to the basket, the graceful moves of a cadre of sideline sweeping cheerleaders or the excitement of a full house watching the Grizzlies fight down to the wire against Valparaiso, OU's brand of basketball certainly warrants attention. And, while OU men are seeing a significant increase in attendance as compared to the women, fans still only fill one third of the 'O'rena's 3,000 seats on average to see them play.

"It's not like these teams don't play hard," Barry Neuberger, Assistant Athletic Director/Marketing said.

"(The men) are on pace to win at least 24 games in our first two years

playing Division I basketball," Neuberger said. Neuberger is quick to point out that this is no small feat for a small Midwestern school playing one of the two highest profile college sports in the nation. OU had for all its previous years until 1998 played Division II basketball.

Scott Peltier, an OU graduate, went to his first OU basketball game on Feb. 3 when the Grizzlies faced the Valparaiso University Crusaders who have won both conference's regular season and tournament titles in each of the last five years.

Standing amidst a sea of celebrating Grizzly fans wearing "Beat Valpo" shirts, Peltier said that "OU should have gone to Division I years ago. This is really good, intense basketball, I wish I would have come to games when I was a student." Peltier claims that the Valpo game was only the first in what will be a lifetime commitment to his alma mater.

Neuberger is hoping that Peltier is not alone. While admitting the fact



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CELEBRATING ALONE: As the women's basketball team celebrates victory, the stands are nearly empty, with only a few dedicated fans supporting the basketball program.

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# Mid-Continent Conference Standings

## Women's Basketball

	Conference	Overall
Oakland	11-3	16-9
Youngstown State	10-4	17-8
Western Illinois	10-5	16-10
Valparaiso	8-6	14-11
Oral Roberts	8-6	12-13
IUPUI	7-8	11-14
Southern Utah	6-8	11-13
UMKC	4-10	9-16
Chicago State	0-14	0-25

## Men's Basketball

Valparaiso	9-5	16-11
Southern Utah	9-5	13-11
Youngstown State	9-5	12-13
Oakland	9-5	11-17
UMKC	8-5	13-11
Oral Roberts	7-7	11-15
Chicago State	6-8	9-16
IUPUI	4-10	6-19
Western Illinois	2-14	7-21

# Players of the Week



BETH ZEONE

❖ Women's Basketball

❖ Guard

❖ Born, December 2, 1978

❖ General Studies Major

❖ Dunlap HS, Dunlap, Ill.

❖ named Mid-Con player of the week Feb. 21



BRAD BUDDENBORG

❖ Men's Basketball

❖ Guard

❖ Born, February 18, 1979

❖ Undecided major

❖ Garden City HS, Garden City, Mich.

❖ named Mid-Con player of the week Feb. 21



## Spirit

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that the men's basketball team isn't the best in its class when it comes to the hard court, he does believe that many are getting in on the basketball tradition in its early stages.

"Really, the numbers are just growing pains of building a strong, loyal fan base. There will always be those who finally jump on board once we really start winning, but we believe that those who really benefit from the future of OU basketball are those who jump on board now," Neuberger said.

Neuberger points out that the 70 or so students who bought the \$25 ticket package are among the most loyal supporters of the basketball program and can most likely be counted on to be there in years to come.

"If you look at the box scores around the nation," says Neuberger, "you'll find game attendance figures as low as 230 to 400 people for (men's) games. We really are doing quite well, despite the empty seats."

Neuberger and his marketing team have done a number of things to boost sales this year. T-shirt promotions that have had spirited fans donning slogans as "Attack the Mac" and "Beat Valpo," have complemented OU's home game stands, as well as the big game against Valparaiso. Also, OU has broadcast the game audibly via both the web and on the university's radio station, some games are also syndicated on Fox Sports Network.

No marketing campaign can replace the sheer joy of watching a winning team, and that's what both the women and men hope to keep delivering to fans.

The last chance to catch the action at the 'O'rena is on Feb. 24 against UMKC and on Feb. 26 at the last game of the season versus Oral Roberts.

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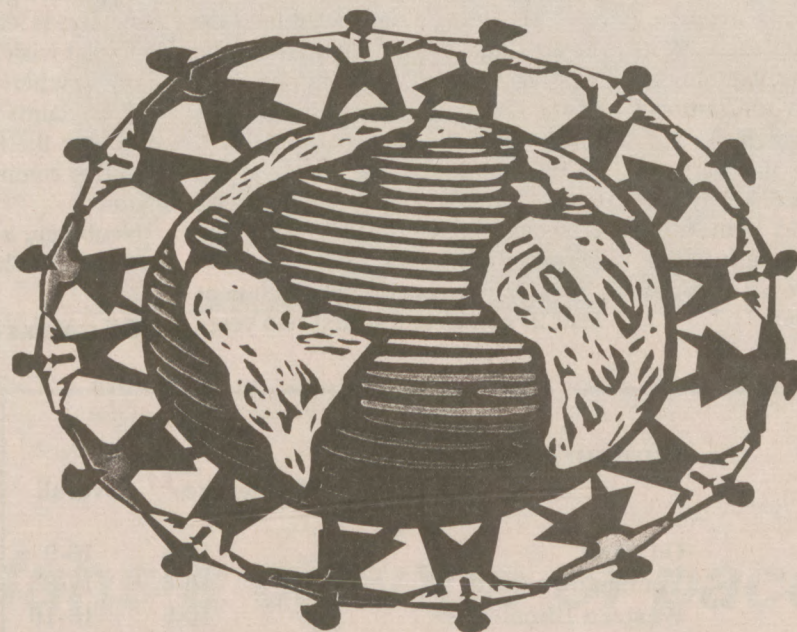
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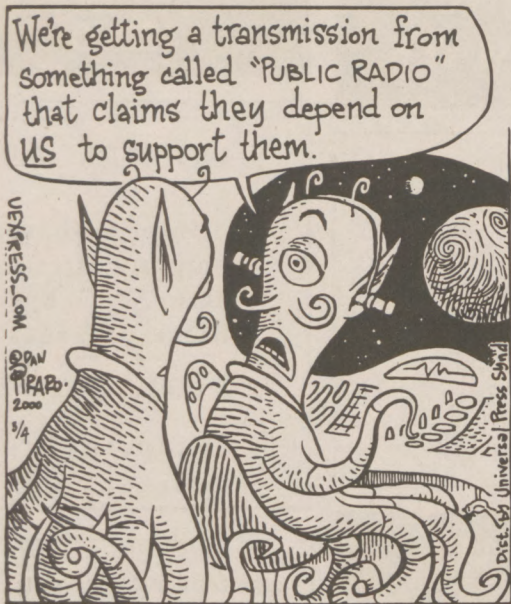


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## Damon's Signs of the Times

February 23 - March 1

- ARIES** (March 21-April 20) — There can be a beneficial attraction to a person more reserved than you. Friends provide you with insights and strength, but make sure you are seeing them for who they really are.
- TAURUS** (April 21-May 20) — Your ego can get you into trouble at work; stay humble since your boss' self-image can be easily bruised now. A friend can help you move towards self-discovery.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 21) — Sit back and enjoy time to yourself; the current schedule probably hasn't given you much space to do so. Travel with friends can lead to a romance.
- CANCER** (June 22-July 22) — Difficult situations become easier when you relax and express how you feel. Your temper can get you into trouble; try to find productive ways to express yourself.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) — While your workload may be increasing, possible benefits increase as well. Take advantage of new career opportunities. Going aggressively after a love interest may be your best bet.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 23) — This is a good time to take care of health and medical issues you have procrastinated. A romance may be started in the workplace with the person you least expected it to be with.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 24-Oct. 22) — Ask for finances to explore your artistic side and you may get them. Work-related stresses ease up by the end of the week. Listen to your intuition about a love affair.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 22) — Conflicts at work may arise out of your insecurities; facing them will help relieve the pressure. A romance may be getting too close for comfort, but learn what you can from the situation.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Money issues may be on your mind; make sure they aren't the only thing you're thinking about. Family outings lead to romantic opportunities; take advantage of them.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) — Time spent working on yourself can actually attract love from another. Communicating your ideas is easy this week, so clear up any previous misunderstandings that have occurred.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) — Enjoy time at home. Deal with family issues head-on and they will be resolved quickly. Putting your heart into your work this week may give you extra profit.
- PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) — Your intuition is correct about a loved one's feelings. Family obligations create financial strains, but you have the equipment to deal with it. Time spent alone gives you objectivity on current dilemmas.

OU Alumni Damon Brown (Libra) has been studying astrology for the past 7 years and writing statewide astrology columns for the past year.

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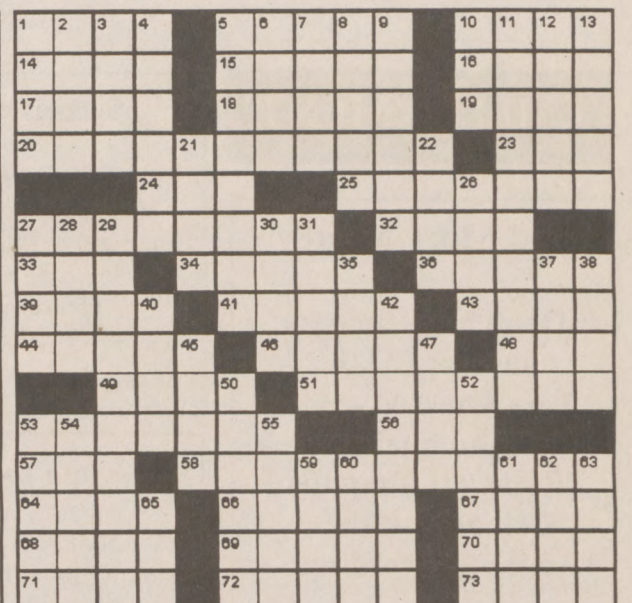
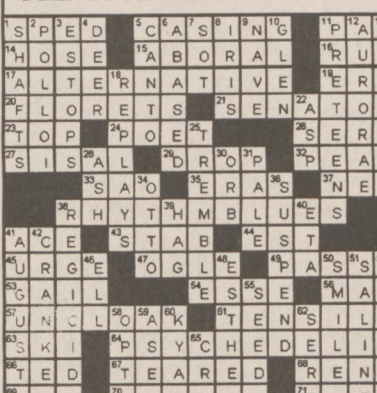
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